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Out to see

Author Faith Eidse to speak Friday

At 7 p.m. Friday, Aug. 19, author Faith Eidse will give a presentation on her book "Voices of the Apalachicola" at the Apalachicola Maritime Museum, 103 Water St. Reception and book signing to follow. For information call 653-2500.

Festival of Ice churn-off Saturday evening

The Water Street Festival of Ice continues this weekend with an ice-cream churn-off and tasting and an "Ice, Ice Baby" retro-dance party at 5 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 20.

For more information, call 323-0176 or visit www.waterstreetfestivalofice.com.

Wild and Scenic film fest starts Aug. 26

From Aug. 26 to Sept. 10, Apalachicola and Carrabelle will host the 2011 Wild and Scenic Film Festival. The festival will open in Carrabelle at the St. James Bay Golf Resort, 151 Laughing Gull Lane, on Aug. 26-27, then move to the Dixie Theater, 21 Avenue E in Apalachicola, on Sept. 2-3. Admission is free. The festival is sponsored by the Apalachicola Bay and Riverkeeper. For details, call 653-8936.

Sheriff fishing tourney Aug. 27

The third annual Franklin County Sheriff's inshore fishing tournament will be Aug. 27. Fishers over 12 are \$50 for boat/team entry, with all winners awarded with cash prizes and trophies. The youth tourney is free for kids age 3 to 12.

Entrants can begin fishing at daylight; tournament and youth weigh-in runs 1-4 p.m. at Battery Park in Apalachicola. Targeted fish species for adults are redfish, trout, flounder and triple tail, and for youth catfish, croaker, pinfish, redfish, trout and flounder. Grand prize is \$400 cash to team with highest point total. For tournament info please call Sgt. John Solomon 370-6602 or Sgt. Ryan Sandoval 370-6185.

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 Classified Line Ads: 5 p.m. Monday

New shelling rules on table

By Lois Swoboda
 Times Staff Writer

State officials say oystermen won't have to be members of the Franklin County Seafood Workers Association to participate in the shelling program.

On Aug. 8, about 100 seafood workers crowded into the East-point Fire Station to discuss "10 simple rules" written by the new board of the FCSWA. The most controversial of the rules, No. 8, required seafood workers who want to participate in the shelling program pay \$25 in dues to join the FCSWA.

"In the past, we have not allowed any discrimination based on membership. Some associations tried to charge dues, and we did not allow that."

Mark Berrigan, Bureau of Aquaculture Development chief



An FCSWA meeting held Aug. 1 was attended by about 125 seafood workers.

The latest meeting was orderly and well-organized, with sign-in sheets and forms to reg-

ister participation in the shelling program. The association provided to all attendees a list of the proposed rules, which FCSWA President Shannon Hartsfield read aloud before he and Vice

President Chris Millender fielded questions and comments. Hartsfield said the rules were needed to keep the shelling

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Mayoral race tops ballot

By David Adlerstein
 Times Staff Writer

Two highly contested races in Apalachicola — for mayor and for city commissioner — set the stage for exciting municipal elections Sept. 6.

Incumbent Mayor Van Johnson, 51, 449 23rd Ave., is seeking re-election for another four-year term. He faces off against challenger Tom Daly, 59, of 107 17th St., chairman of Planning and Zoning.

The nonpartisan, at-large city commission seat now held by Mitchell Bartley also will be up for grabs. Jerry Hall, 64, of 52 Seventh St. is challenging Bartley, 64, of 100 Avenue D, for a four-year term in seat 1.

Incumbent Jimmy Elliott, 61, of 129 22nd St., is unopposed in his bid for another four-year term in seat 2.

Eligible to vote in the elections are 1,670 registered voters who reside within the Apalachicola city limits, comprising 1,327 Democrats, 218

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Republicans and 125 who are either affiliated with other political parties or without party affiliation.

Two political forums have been planned to give residents an opportunity to hear from the candidates in a public setting. H'COLA welcomes the public to its traditional political forum at 6 p.m. today, Aug. 18, at the Sixth Street Franklin Square Recreation Center. All candidates qualifying for the Apalachicola elections have been invited to participate. Come and meet the candidates and see

where they stand on issues important to you. Call Tami Ray-Hutchinson at 653-7515 for additional information.

In addition, Café Con Leche, 234 Water St., will host a forum for the two mayoral candidates at 6 p.m. Monday, Aug. 22. Moderating will be David Adlerstein, city editor of the Apalachicola Times. For more information, call 653-2233.

All Election Day voting will take place at the National Guard Armory, 66 Fourth St., at the corner of Fourth Street and Avenue D.

Early voting run Aug. 29 through Sept. 2, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Supervisor of Elections' Apalachicola office, 47 Avenue F. The last day to request an absentee ballot will be Wednesday, Aug. 31. Absentee ballots can be picked up through Election Day provided they are returned no later than 7 p.m. Sept. 6 at the Supervisor of Elections office.

For more information, call 653-9520.

Weems releases Catlin, Davis

By David Adlerstein
 Times City Editor

In the first month under a new chief executive officer, two high-profile employees of at Weems Memorial Hospital, Kim Davis, chief financial officer, and Dr. Lionel Catlin, primary care physician, have been let go.

Alan Pierce, the county's director of administrative services, said Davis was given her notice July 22 by new CEO Davie Lloyd. One week later, on July 29, Weems terminated its contract with Catlin, who was the first and only physician to staff Weems Medical Center East in Carrabelle when it opened in January.

Pierce said Dr. Cedric Davis has stepped in on an interim basis as a temporary, or "locum tenens," physician. "The locum tenens is eager for more business, I know that," he said.

Pierce said Kim Davis' duties regarding financial issues and oversight of the ambulance service have been divided up between Lloyd and Cindy Drapel, chief nursing officer.

He said Lloyd is in the process of revising the structure

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KIM DAVIS



DR. LIONEL CATLIN

MAYORAL CANDIDATES

Van Johnson

To the residents of Apalachicola, first, I want to thank each of you for the privilege you gave me four years ago to serve as mayor of this great city.



VAN JOHNSON

Most of you know me, but for those of you who don't! I'm a 51-year-old father of five with three beautiful grandchildren, married for the last 30 years to the former Gail Simmons and a county department head with over 29 years of proven service to the Franklin County community. I was born here, raised here, raised my family here, coached your kids in youth league sports here, and chose to stay here out of love of community and a genuine concern and understanding for our people.

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Tom Daly

I grew up in this community and attended Chapman Schools before embarking on career in corporate management.



TOM DALY

My dad, James Daly, served two terms as mayor in the 1960s, and my grandfather J.F. Cook, founder of Cook Insurance, also served as mayor in this city. My family has been involved with Apalachicola economically and politically since the 1840s.

But my professional credentials and my family's history, while they serve to motivate and inspire me, do not qualify me to be mayor. Let me tell you what I'm really about.

See **DALY A5**

Apalachicola considers property tax increase

By David Adlerstein
 Times City Editor

Facing a sharp decline in its tax base, Apalachicola city commissioners signaled Tuesday night at their first budget workshop that they might raise millage by about 13.4 percent, to the maximum level allowed by state law.

The first draft of a budget for

the 2011-12 fiscal year, prepared by City Clerk Lee Mathes, indicated the millage rate could rise from the current 8.625 mills to 9.7809 mills, an increase of 1.1559 mills.

But even with the hike in millage, ad valorem tax revenues in the proposed budget would rise by only about \$13,500, from \$1.217 million this year to about \$1.231

million next year.

This is because Apalachicola saw a steep drop of 11.9 percent in its tax base, declining by \$17 million, from \$142.9 million to \$125.9 million.

With the exception of sales taxes, expected to rise from \$110,000 to \$122,000, the other revenue categories were each expected to remain flat or to drop slightly

next year.

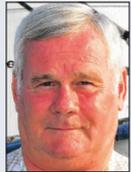
In all, the city hopes to raise about \$2.07 million next year in general operating revenues, about the same as the current year. The enterprise fund, which encompasses the water and sewer department, would generate another \$1.447 million, about

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CITY COMMISSION, SEAT 1

Mitchell Bartley

I am a lifelong resident of the great city of Apalachicola. I have had the honor to serve as a city commissioner for three terms, a total of 12 years. I have always put the citizens of our beautiful city as the first and number one priority. I have never used my commission seat for any personal gain.



MITCHELL BARTLEY

If anyone comes to me with a city problem, I always do my best to resolve the issue. I have no personal agenda. My only agenda is to do the best for the citizens. I believe you deserve the best city services and I would like to see the garbage removal contract used to clean our city.

I support our youth programs, Project Impact and the new youth center. I am proud of the Holy Family restoration project and the services that will soon be available to our seniors.

I support the Scipio Creek Improvement Project because it will preserve our seafood industry and encourage economic growth. I would also like to see the channel at Battery Park Marina opened up for our people to have access to the bay.

I have always considered myself to be the people's commissioner. I am willing to meet with you on a personal basis. I love being a servant of the people. I will always be there for you. Please feel free to call me, 323-0163.

Mitchell

My name is Jerry Hall, candidate for Apalachicola City Commission Seat 1.



JERRY HALL

I moved to Apalachicola in 1984 from the big city of West Palm Beach and was sure I'd found Heaven. As far as the eye could see, there was a place to fish.

Sometime after that, my daughter Keri Beth moved here, graduated from Apalachicola High School and now has Up The Creek Raw Bar. My widowed mother, Barbara, moved here and lived with us until entering the nursing home in Port St. Joe two years ago. My brother, Terry, came and still works here.

During those early years I made great friends and was presented with great opportunities. I started my own business and then with some partners bought the old "Grill," which we own today. We also started the Old Time Soda Fountain when the Kennedys left the old pharmacy location to plow greener pastures.

Under the tutelage of my

new friend Bobby Siprell, an all-around good guy and past city commissioner, I joined the Seafood Festival Committee where I learned to scoop horse poop at that year's parade. Eventually I became the executive director of that organization and served in that capacity for two years. What fun.

In the ensuing years I became a member of organizations such as the Apalachicola Rotary; The American Legion (since I am a Navy veteran who served overseas in time of war); the Apalachicola Bay Chamber of Commerce, where I am a past president and current treasurer; and on the board of the Dixie Theatre Foundation, where we brought movies to Apalachicola after a 37-year absence.

I also served for a while on a committee of the American Cancer Society and coincidentally, was diagnosed with malignant melanoma in 1997, underwent surgery and treatment at the VA center in Gainesville and am still cancer-free 14 years later.

Looking back, these were exciting years, full of promise. Looking forward, I hope that our children will have the opportunities

that we have been given. I have concerns about our community and I know you do as well, but by prioritizing our resources we can remain a vibrant community. All of our factions — seafood workers, tourist industry, government employees, etc. — are entitled to the protections that city government was created to give them: security in your homes, drinkable water, functioning sewers, storm water systems, fire and police protection, trash pick-up, safe streets, parks, etc.

In some of these areas we are doing fine. We have a great volunteer fire department. If they only had a home. Perhaps we should have a larger city work force to handle day-to-day problems on our own instead of relying entirely on prisoners and the ever-diminishing hope for grants. Our city is overrun with deferred maintenance issues with no plan to address them other than waiting for another grant.

I have concerns about the city's priorities and I know that you have concerns, too. A commissioner's job is to listen to those concerns and act accordingly. Please vote on Sept 6.

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\$25,000 below this year's \$1.471 million.

Expenditures for the water department are expected to rise from about \$576,000 to nearly \$593,000 next year, while the cost of running the sewer department would go from about \$704,000 to nearly \$743,000.

In terms of general operating expenditures, budgeting for most departments remained flat, either slightly up or slightly down, with the exception of administrative operations, which will decline from nearly \$373,000 to about \$324,000, a decline of nearly \$50,000. Funding for the public

works department is expected to drop from nearly \$265,000 to about \$228,000, a drop of nearly \$37,000.

Commissioner Brenda Ash noted that the recently enacted state mandate that requires municipal employees to contribute 3 percent of their wages toward retirement savings had not yet been figured into the budget.

The commissioners indicated they wished to see city employee wages rise by 3 percent to accommodate the effects of the retirement changes on paychecks.

"It's to keep from going backwards," Mayor Van Johnson

said. Ash also asked the city consider funding the retirement and health insurance costs of librarian Caty Greene, but noted that she did not want to see Greene's regular pay increased beyond current levels.

In addition, Ash noted that the city should begin sorting out how to fund the regular payments for its new fire truck, which next year will total close to \$30,000. The proposed budget calls for the volunteer fire department to contribute \$15,000 towards that payment, with the rest coming from Municipal Service Benefit Unit

(MSBU) revenues. Mathes said MSBU monies will bring in about \$39,000 next year, but with other commitments that include paying off the new fire-police station loan, she cautioned that general operating revenue would have to be earmarked toward these expenses in future years.

"You're eventually going to run out of (MSBU) money," she said. "Not this year, but possibly next year."

Ash also asked Mathes to look into alternative health insurance quotations, to see if the city could save money over its current

Blue Cross-Blue Shield package. Mathes said with limited options from competing companies, and with a large pool of retirees who add to the costs, she was unsure of what cost-saving options might be available. As it stands now, the city is looking at absorbing a 25 percent increase in health insurance premiums.

The commissioners plan to hold a second hearing at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 23, at City Hall at Battery Park, and instructed Mathes to revise the numbers before then.

"It's a starting point," Johnson said.

We're all in the SAME boat.

And it's OUR tax money.



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Legal Services offers outreach for BP oil claims

Legal Services of North Florida (LSNF) is pleased to announce the receipt of a grant for \$200,000 to provide outreach and legal help to low-income residents and small businesses affected by the April 2010 Deepwater Horizon oil spill.

Franklin, Gulf, Bay, Okaloosa, Walton, Escambia, and Santa Rosa counties will be served by the Gulf Coast Oil Spill Legal

Support Project (GCOSLSP) with funding through the Fund for Gulf Communities-Florida (FGCF). Initial funding for the FGCF was provided by an anonymous donation to the Rockefeller Philanthropy Advisors to enhance the resiliency of Florida's Gulf Coast communities.

LSNF has received \$200,000 for the next 18 months to provide outreach and support to low-

income individuals and small businesses who either have not been able to file claims or are having difficulties with the claims process. Paralegal/outreach workers in LSNF's offices in Panama City, Fort Walton Beach and Pensacola will be reaching out into the Gulf Counties to communities most affected by the oil spill. The project will utilize regional media and community groups

to aid in reaching individuals and small businesses to let them know there are still recovery funds available and how to obtain free legal help with the claims process. The Gulf Coast Oil Spill Support Project will also provide legal representation to low-income residents.

LSNF is a private non-profit corporation dedicated to providing free legal representation

to low-income people with civil legal problems from five offices in Tallahassee, Quincy, Panama City, Fort Walton Beach and Pensacola. For information on the office location nearest you go to www.lsnf.org.

Contact the Panama City office, 211 East 11th Street, 850-769-3581, serving Bay, Gulf and Franklin counties. Or call toll-free 855-299-1337.

Arrest 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 Department of Corrections (FDOC), Florida Division of Insurance Fraud (DIF) and Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (FLDACS).

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

Aug. 9

Marchant E. Bunyon, 36, Apalachicola, violation of probation (FCSO)

Andrew J. Jones, 55, Apalachicola, possession of a controlled substance (FCSO)

Aug. 10

Barbara R. Buzbee, 61, Apalachicola, reckless driving, leaving the scene of a crash with damage, false report of a traffic accident and false report to a law enforcement officer (APD)

Aug. 11

James P. Blue, 19, Carrabelle, grand theft, two counts of dealing in stolen property and uttering (FCSO)

Aug. 12

Lorenzo B. O'Neal, 53, Carrabelle, domestic battery (CPD)

Dakaya Floyd, 28, Shalimar, Okaloosa County warrant (FCSO)

Adrian D. Jones, 23, Apalachicola, sale or possession of a controlled substance within 1,000 feet of a church (FCSO)

Scott E. Powell, 23, Eastpoint, driving while license suspended or revoked, and reckless driving (FCSO)

Aug. 13

Victoria L. Estes, 24, Eastpoint, failure to appear and driving while license suspended or revoked (FCSO)

Alan Van Duzer, Sr., 53, Jacksonville, burglary of a conveyance, burglary of a dwelling and grand theft of a motor vehicle (FCSO)

Robert E. Washington, Jr., 47, Tallahassee, Georgia warrant for violation of probation (FWC)

Danny E. Davis, 54, Dublin, Ga., boating under the influence (FWC)

Law BRIEFS

From staff reports

Police chief says drug fight will continue

Over the past couple of months, investigators with the Apalachicola Narcotics Enforcement Team (ANET) made 26 cases in drug investigations, including sale of controlled substances, possession of controlled substances and possession with intent to sale or deliver.

ANET is overseen by Chief Bobby Varnes and field supervised by Officer Anthony Croom Jr. ANET

works jointly with the Franklin County Sheriff's Office, Gulf County Sheriff's Office, Division of Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco, Probation and Parole, and Florida Department of Law Enforcement. Due to the investigations, numerous arrests have been made and Varnes said there will be more to come.

The chief also said the Apalachicola Police Department will continue to work hard on drug activity in the future and is committed to exhausting all efforts to deter drug activity from the community.

Exploring humanitarian law for teachers

On Saturday, Aug. 20 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., the Capital Area Chapter of the American Red Cross will present a free teacher workshop to introduce humanitarian law to Big Bend educators.

The American Red Cross Exploring Humanitarian Law (EHL) curriculum challenges students to investigate real situations, contemporary and historical, and discuss some of the

most important humanitarian questions facing us today.

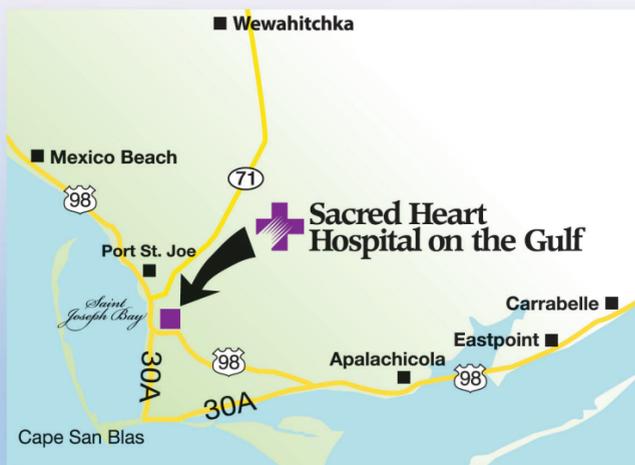
The half-day training includes a light breakfast; educational materials including the newly released "Civil War: A Humanitarian Perspective" toolkit, and Certificate of Participation which may be used to apply for Continuing Education Units.

Registration is available online at www.tallyredcross.org. Educators may also request an in-service workshop by contacting International@tallyredcross.org.

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GUEST COLUMN

New year brings more healthful school meals

While Franklin County schools' Lunch Ladies served up baked chicken, rice and gravy, fresh fruit, and beans, Congress was busily approving new regulations to improve access and integrity to the School Lunch Program. New laws enacted by the federal government through the Healthy Hunger-Free Kids Act will require specific food items be served in school breakfast and lunch programs provided by the Franklin County School Board.

The new laws give the U.S. Department of Agriculture the authority to update the meal pattern that has been in place for over 30 years. Fortunately schools in Franklin County have already made great strides to improve the meals served to our children and will be able to easily meet the new regulations.

Still, parents can expect some changes in the coming year. For example, the new laws will require that only fat-free and skim milk be offered. Other changes will include weekly offerings of a fresh fruit, an orange vegetable such as carrots or sweet potatoes, dried beans like black-eye peas and dark green leafy vegetables, such as collard greens. Fortunately, we knew these changes would be coming, so we have been offering these items for several years in all our schools.

Although many of the changes will be easy to make or are already made, some of the new laws will be harder to comply with. For example, reduced sodium is on the forefront of the meal pattern changes. However, reducing sodium is not as easy as it sounds. Canned vegetables are filled with sodium used as a preservative, and canned vegetables are a staple in our program. Expect more fresh vegetables on the menu this year as manufacturers look for ways to reduce sodium in the foods they sell to us.

Another challenge we will face is offering more whole grains. We are using "stealth nutrition" by offering white wheat and other more recognizable and acceptable products. Most children and parents don't realize we already offer



ROBIN TENNILLE

a whole grain pizza product and chicken nuggets with whole grain breading. Overall, we are confident our current menu will comply with the new regulations and still offer

children the choices they have become accustomed to and like. Although products that meet the new guidelines will be more expensive, we will still offer breakfast and lunch to all enrolled children at no charge. This program has been in place for three years and has been a huge success in our community and a benefit to our families. Franklin County is the county in the state of Florida to provide breakfast and lunch at all schools to all children at no cost. In fact, the program has been so successful that it contributes to the schools' general fund. Conscientious staff and lots of planning ensure the Food and Nutrition Department operates within its budget.

In celebration of the new school year, and our most recent grant, Franklin County School and the Learning Center will have a kick-off on Tuesday, Aug. 30. Both schools were awarded funds to participate in USDA's Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program making fresh produce available to elementary school children three days a week. This year we are Going Bananas! To find out more about this program, please join us at the Franklin County School at 9:45 a.m. or at the Learning Center at 10:30 a.m.

Robin Tennille is the director of the Franklin County School food and nutrition services. To reach her, email nslphelp@yahoo.com.

How a flower girl learned of Fancy Ladies

I have this pair of lapis earrings that my sister gave me. I love 'em, but they only go with certain outfits. I found one of them, but the other seemed hopelessly lost in the depths of my freestanding jewelry box. As I searched, I reflected on just how much I needed a seven-year-old female protégé.

I started thinking about Aunt Dolores. She and my Uncle Louis got together when I was 4 or 5. I was quite outdone. I had planned on marrying Uncle Louis, and then she came on the scene. He even let her break the bottle of champagne over the bow of the Nixie



RED WHITE AND ROUX
Denise Roux

when he was ready to launch the wood sailboat he had built. I was not impressed.

She made every effort. I was a flower girl in the wedding at St. Patrick's, but I insisted on a Band-Aid just below my knee to cover some imagined flaw. Their day just could not be perfect. Somehow, I had to make it about me and my unrequited love.

Things got better. Uncle Louis was often out of town making money, and she would come and pick me up for a girls' night in. We put on beautiful shorty pajamas (remember those?) and long talks about make-up, jewelry and clothes.

I gradually became to think of her as my style maven, and when she sorted out her jewelry box, I was the recipient of amazing treasures. We went Christmas shopping in Tallahassee for several years, and I discovered the delights of the downtown Morrison's cafeteria with the waiters in their white jackets and their old-school charm.

She moved out of government work and into the business world when she bought the Seahorse. Previously

only a florist, she added a gift shop. I worked there on Saturdays from about age 11. We did weddings, funerals, Valentines, Christmas, Mothers' Day, Easter, proms. I learned from the hands of a master.

She had strange and unusual friends. There was the lady who had bought a house in Eastpoint and wore yoga pants to town. There was Ms. Doris Sharpe, who worked at Lanier's Pharmacy and came down on her breaks to smoke a cigarette and trade stories.

On Saturdays we ate lunch at her Mama's, Madeline Taranto. The smell of the Sunday gravy simmering already permeated the kitchen. We moved on to Ms. Sadie Spear's house for dessert and coffee. Ms. Hilda Bruni lived across the alley so she would walk over to join us.

Ms. Sadie and Ms. Hilda were of a certain age, and they entertained us with stories of Old Apalachicola. The Fancy Ladies, the scandals of drunken revels and wild parties of the turn-of-the-century new money in town. I listened. Dolores knew enough to ask questions. I learned.

I came to love my Aunt Dolores.

Now she owns the Sweet Shop in the old Hayes House. Since I have summers off, I offer my

services as a fill-in making salads and sandwiches if the regular help needs a day or two off.

I worked three or four days this past summer. I started at seven but she was there before me. I follow her instructions to the letter and try to work as hard as she does. Sandwiches must be built a certain way. The regular customers get preferential treatment. The poached eggs, the pitcher of iced sweet tea on the table, the ticket moving to the head of the queue.

That is how it should be.

I came to understand that she is the great Mama of many. People want to feel they have a caring woman who takes care of them. They keep coming back for more.

Locals who have been away come for their reality check. Do you remember? How is this one related to that one?

She knows it, gets it and loves it.

My attitude about Aunt Dolores has shifted from baby-girl resentment to total admiration.

Now, I just need to find a little girl who might want the discards from my jewelry box.

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



Dolores Roux, creator of the "Ghost Walk" that celebrates the history found in Chestnut Cemetery, is "the great Mama of many."

National designation big for Big Bend Scenic Byway

By Diane Delaney
Special to The Times

The Big Bend Scenic Byway (BBSB) was recently featured in USA Today as one of "51 Most Scenic Drives in America."

This one article increased the number of "visits" on the Florida Big Bend Scenic Byway website from 412 in May to 1,557 in June, which will ultimately lead to increased travel to the Byway. This 220-mile corridor covers both forest and coastal resources of Leon, Franklin, and Wakulla counties. It was recognized as a Florida Scenic Highway in 2007 and then designated a National Scenic Byway in 2009. But what exactly does national designation mean?

The National Scenic Byways Program is part of the U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration. The state program, administered by the Florida Department of Transportation, is a collaborative effort established to help recognize, preserve and enhance selected roads throughout the U.S. in order to create a unique travel experience for visitors and enhance local quality of life.

The U.S. Secretary of Transportation recognizes certain roads as National Scenic Byways based on one or more archaeological, cultural, historic, natural, recreational and scenic qualities. Recognized for its outstanding natural and scenic qualities, the Big Bend Byway is the only Florida Gulf Coast route designated as a National Scenic Byway.

This means the Big Bend Scenic Byway is special and something of which to be proud. It's a unique attraction that can increase tourism dollars for local businesses and communities.

The byway is nationally recognized for its natural and scenic qualities. People come from around the world to travel on it, see the sites, and visit local businesses and communities.

The mission of the Big Bend Byway is to increase tourism revenues and to enhance the economic well-being and quality of life for travelers, citizens, and local communities by managing and marketing it as the leading scenic byway in the South.

It is important to note that the Big Bend Scenic Byway's Interpretation and

Wayshowing Plan has been selected for presentation at the National Scenic Byways Conference in Minneapolis, Minnesota on Aug. 23. Pam Portwood, coordinator for the Big Bend Scenic Byway and director of the Wakulla County Tourist Development Council, will co-present this national model with Diane Delaney, a local byway consultant. The Big Bend Byway has submitted a grant to the Federal Highway Administration to install interpretive kiosks, signs and roadside exhibits along the route that tell the region's story through its wildlife, waterways, woods, and way of life.

National Scenic Byway grants are 80 percent funded, meaning recipients are responsible for soliciting a 20 percent local match. Even in these difficult financial times, all counties, cities, agencies and friends have already pledged their share of the match, which totals over \$200,000.

Strong participation as well as partnership with local attractions, businesses, and communities is vital. As more local groups identify as being "on" the Byway, the greater economic

impact will be derived. Nationally, attractions and businesses along Byways that market their resources typically realize a 10 percent increase in revenues.

However, just as this 20-year old effort to identify, protect, enhance, and market these American treasures is producing real dividends, it is in jeopardy of being cut or consolidated into other programs, thereby greatly diminishing its impact. The National Scenic Byways Foundation (NSBF) and the American Recreation Coalition (ARC) are compiling key information on each byway to be used to support reauthorization of the full byways effort - designation, technical assistance and grants.

For further information on the Big Bend Scenic Byway, contact Portwood at 850-926-0919, ext. 436. For information about reauthorization of the National Scenic Byway Program, contact Tom Georgevits, American Recreation Coalition, at 202-682-9530 or tgeorgevits@funoutdoors.com.

Diane Delaney is a consultant with the Big Bend Scenic Byway program.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Choosing between sugar and salt

A couple of buddies of mine and their extended families — all from Birmingham — recently vacationed for two weeks in Destin.

When I asked them why they went to Destin and did not come to St. George Island, they said "In our search for places to vacation, the tourist information folks in Destin talked of miles of pure white, sugar-like beach sand; crystal clear aqua water; golf courses, family attractions, restaurants and a robust night life."

And then they went on to say, "The tourist information folks in Franklin County said that

they were "SALTY."

Andy Antekeier
Eastpoint

Humane Society needs to clarify policies

It was with great sadness and disbelief that I read the account of the responses of Director of Animal Control Van Johnson and representatives of the Humane Society, Susan Kearney and Bud Haynes, when Commissioner Cheryl Sanders voiced her concerns about the euthanization of animals from the Humane Society and the perception that the Humane Society is a NO KILL facility.

Mr. Johnson said "the costs involved in caring for these animals varies,

depending on whether they are strays, with most held for five days. We have to feed 'em and fatten 'em up for the slaughter, it's a rough job, but somebody has to do it." He also said that his department euthanizes about 800 dogs and cats a year and incinerates the carcasses.

I am saddened at the callousness of these remarks; the facts are awful enough without the trivialization of the slaughter of innocent animals. That a commissioner would be spoken to so disrespectfully when she questions an employee about a matter that she is clearly upset about is shocking.

As to the perception of the Humane Society

maintaining a NO KILL facility; that has been the understanding of the majority of the citizens of this county for many years. Nothing and no one has ever made an effort to dispel the belief as far as I can ascertain. Fundraisers have been held, money donated and support generated for this facility on this basis for a very long time.

It seems clear that Ms. Kearney and Mr. Haynes need to clarify the policies of the Humane Society in a very public forum.

To my critics, yes, I am an animal lover. I respect all living things and feel that we are one and all responsible for the defenseless and innocent in our world.

Jackie Gay



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JOHNSON from page A1

As a county department head, my job is to pick up other people's trash, so I know what it means to work hard every day. As a father of five, I know what it means to struggle to make ends meet and, as a former youth league coach, I know what it means to give back to my community.

Over the last year or so, we have all witnessed the failure of our local banks, homes lost to foreclosure and high unemployment. Because of these unfortunate economic conditions, nothing should matter more than the creation of job opportunities for our struggling families.

From the start of my administration, City staff and your Commissioners joined me in putting forth a course of action that targeted grants, programs and projects that created over 85 jobs to keep our people working.

Examples include the creation of 35 job opportunities through Project Impact, a \$500,000 per year Department of Education-funded after-school and summer enrichment program and over 30 construction jobs through the \$1.5 million renovation of the historic Holy Family School into a Senior Citizen Center/African-American Museum.

We also provided support for our business community to sustain jobs by granting them a two-month waiver on a portion of their water and sewer bills because of decreased sales receipts brought on by the seasonal decline in tourist-related

traffic.

To help keep our seafood workers working, we took on the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in the Tri-State Water Wars over the reduction of freshwater flow down the Apalachicola/Chattahoochee/Flint River Basin, freshwater vital to a healthy Apalachicola Bay and a productive seafood industry. That lawsuit has set the basis for equitable freshwater allocations in the river system. And when last summer's threat to our Bay arose from the Deepwater Horizon oil spill, we took BP to task over funding for our protection strategy and collected more than \$100,000 in cost reimbursements from the oil giant.

Therefore, this year's election isn't about false promises, hidden agendas, theatrics or contrived passion. It's about our families struggling to make ends meet and worrying about where the next paycheck is coming from. It's about open and honest government that has the ability to represent the interest and needs of all its people: the retired and elderly, working families, black, white, businesses and children. It's about ... You and I.

Although these are tough economic times with no easy solutions, I will not stop fighting or become distracted from the task of creating jobs to make life better for our families. On September 6, please vote to re-elect me as your mayor, so that you and I can keep Apalachicola working.

DALY from page A1

I am about Apalachicola! I live, breathe, dream and obsess about this city. I am invested in this community. Everything that happens here, good or bad, I take personal responsibility. We are proud community. But no matter how unique and wonderful this community is, I know we can do a better job. I want to be that catalyst for change. I want to see lower taxes; I want to see better city services, clean streets. I want this for our children, residents and visitors. I want the grand landmarks we have to take new life and vitality. We are the jewel of the Gulf Coast and I want to see this city shine! This is not just the mayor's job, or the city's job, this is every resident's job. This community needs to unite and celebrate who we are. This is Apalachicola and we are the real deal!

No one can deny that we have challenges, but the opportunities that abound in this community are limitless. Incredible natural resources, scenic beauty, great history and historical landmarks. Let's think about how we can really utilize these resources and create a vital economy that can produce jobs and tax revenue. I say it takes imagination, it takes leadership, it takes energy and it takes courage to break out of the old status quo. We have smart hardworking people in this

community, and I believe we have the strength and fortitude to truly break out of economic bounds that have existed too long.

The platform of my candidacy is simple:

- To protect and preserve the things that are most precious and vital in this community — the seafood industry, the pristine waterways, the unique heritage architecture and the small town warmth and charm.

- To work with local organizations and individuals who have a vision for Apalachicola and work together toward common goals

- To work closely with city employees to ensure that city government is running efficiently and meeting the expectations of residents, commerce and our valued visitors

- To ensure that city assets are used as productively as possible and maintained for future generations

I want to work, and I want to work for you. I have the energy, passion and commitment to see Apalachicola as it could be. I will be a tireless advocate of this city and its potential. I will be the person who will usher in a new era of optimism of what we can be and what we will be.

My name is Tom Daly and I want to be Apalachicola's mayor!

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of the top administrative positions and is considering a comptroller position in place of a chief financial officer.

In addition to these changes, the hospital has returned to using the services of Southland Emergency Medical Services LLC, headed by Dr. Paul Hart, to oversee the emergency room in Apalachicola. The hospital recently terminated its arrangement with emergency room staffing company, Knoxville-based ERx, a firm that former Weems CEO Chuck Colvert brought in March 1 to take over staffing the emergency room.

On July 28, at a meeting attended by County Commissioner Pinki Jackel, the Weems Hospital Board met in regular session at the Water Street Inn.

The board bid goodbye to outgoing board member Curt Blair, serving cake following the lunch meeting. Taking Blair's place on the board will be Jim Bachrach, who currently sits on the Weems Hospital Foundation board. Bachrach also was charged with the responsibility of serving as a liaison between the two boards.

After hearing a report from Pierce, the board agreed to join in a county-wide project that encompasses the sheriff's office, Chapman Auditorium, county courthouse and Armory, which could result in the placement of solar panels on the hospital's roof.

In her report, Lloyd told the board the hospital had received \$310,000 in disproportionate share funds, money that helps supplement a hospital for treating medically indigent patients. She said the amount was higher than what the hospital received last year and now leaves about \$400,000 in cash on hand.

Board Chairman Paul Marxsen said sales tax receipts are running at about \$712,000, slightly ahead of last year's \$710,000 total by this time.

Lloyd thanked the board for their support in hiring her to succeed Colvert and said "it's an honor to join the team and face the opportunities and challenges."

The new CEO said she is working to complete the U.S. Department of Agriculture application, which remains unresolved for a loan to construct a replacement hospital in Apalachicola. Pierce and County Attorney Michael Shuler have spoken with Joe Fritz, a USDA rural development administrator in Marianna, who told them that because of the size of the county's request, it will have to be reviewed in Washington as part of a nationwide competition.

Lloyd told the board that time was tight and that the hospital would be scheduling an upcoming public hearing to give citizens a chance to review the loan proposal. "Yes, we can still make this project happen," Lloyd said. "It's my number one priority."

Lloyd secured board approval to pay an outstanding \$35,000 invoice from BKD, the accounting firm that worked on the feasibility study for the project.

In a lengthy discussion, the board reviewed details

of the hospital's payor mix, which shows about 55 percent of hospital revenue comes from Medicare patients and 15 percent from Medicaid.

Lloyd said the hospital is using a clerk at the hospital and Weems East in Carrabelle to assist patients in signing up for Medicaid.

"The hospital cannot enroll people without their permission," Pierce said. "By taking part in Medicaid, patients are helping themselves to services they are entitled to, and they are

helping the hospital. The hospital receives 101 percent of the cost of servicing Medicaid patients, so it is in everyone's best interest to identify all eligible Medicaid patients."

At Tuesday's county commission meeting, Chairman Noah Lockley said he was concerned about complaints from hospital employees that they were being sent home early. "They threaten them out there if they go to the (county) commission," he said.

Pierce said the cost-cutting move by the hospital is in keeping with a "de-staffing policy" being implemented by the board of directors to control expenses, such as housekeeping or food service, when there are three or fewer patients in the hospital.

Commissioners Cheryl Sanders and Jackel both said they wanted to see commissioners become more involved with the hospital board and improve communication between the two.

In addition, Sanders indicated her dissatisfaction with Tallahassee Memorial Hospital's expansive role in the recent hiring process to find a successor to Colvert and suggested the county might consider the option of ending its ties with TMH in favor of an alternative hospital affiliation.

By unanimous consent, the commissioners voted to ask that Lloyd make an appearance at next month's meeting to provide, among other things, further details on the de-staffing policy.

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PROPOSED FCSWA RULES

1. To participate in shelling, you must use a commercial boat of at least 20 feet.
2. The number that you sign up under will be your shelling number during the program.
3. No signing up on the day of the shelling program; you must sign up at the organizational meeting to participate. There will be an initial meeting and then a follow-up meeting to give everyone an opportunity to register.
4. Oyster shells must be dumped in the designated areas to be paid. If any shells are dumped in a non-designated area, the cardholder will forfeit payment on that load.
5. Payments for shelling will be distributed after all shelling has been completed for the day.
6. No unreasonable, disorderly or ill conduct will be tolerated. Any who do not comply will be permanently eliminated from the shelling program. For the remainder of the year, law enforcement will be present to monitor all behavior.
7. All cardholders shelling must be present on the vessel at all times during the shelling program.
8. The required dues for FCSWA are \$25 that must be paid prior to participating in the shelling program. (This rule is being reviewed.)
9. A notification of the shelling program will be posted at a place yet to be chosen.
10. All people registering must have a valid Apalachicola Bay Saltwater Harvesting License.

operation safe and fair.

At Tuesday morning's county commission meeting, Mark Berrigan, chief of the Bureau of Aquaculture Development, said membership in the FCSWA cannot be a requirement for participation in the shelling program.

"In the past, we have not allowed any discrimination based on membership," he said. "Some associations tried to charge dues, and we did not allow that."

His statement came after commissioners questioned Hartsfield about the dues, saying they have received phone calls complaining the new rules discriminate against nonmembers.

"The only state requirements are that the person needs to be 16 years old and a Florida resident," Berrigan said, noting that a harvesting license was not required.

Hartsfield and Millender said they had not intended to do anything improper in asking for dues. "I did come to y'all for guidance and spoke to attorneys and was not told we could not do this," Hartsfield said.

He and Millender said if the dues were illegal, the money would have to be returned to everyone who had already paid.

Commissioner Noah Lockley said he was not against dues, but the county had to remain in compliance with state requirements.

Commissioner Smokey Parrish said the commission was behind the seafood workers and he encouraged everyone to join the association to support the industry. "I don't think everyone will want their dues back," he said.

Hartsfield insisted the dues would have to be returned because they were paid when people were under the impression membership was required to shell.

Commissioner Cheryl Sanders asked Berrigan if it was true the FCSWA had received more than \$100,000 in administrative fees between 2004 and 2009. He said that was correct.

Sanders asked Hartsfield if he was concerned the association had received a large sum of money for administration, but there was no money when he assumed office earlier this year.



CHRIS MILLENDER



JUNIOR LOLLEY

"Y'all asked for an account of that, and I had nothing to do with it," he said. "I've been taking this out of my pocket, and I can't keep doing that. We've got a way to account for every penny. I have \$68 in expenses, others have over \$100."

Commissioner Bevin Putnal suggested some of the money earmarked for the next shelling program be advanced to the FCSWA as operating expenses. The board instructed Alan Pierce, director of administrative services, to investigate how this could be done.

Hartsfield told FCSWA members at the Aug. 8 meeting that he believed \$25 of the funds collected for every oystering license was supposed to go to the FCSWA, according to the original agreement.

At Tuesday's meeting, Berrigan said that although the money had been earmarked for FCSWA in the past, the statute assigning the money was repealed in 1999 and the licensing fees now pay several salaries of staffers for the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.

Regular meetings and accountability

Most of the new bylaws probably will remain in place.

At the Aug. 8 FCSWA meeting, Hartsfield and Millender said they plan to have a meeting

on the second Monday of each month and, for the present, will continue to use the Eastpoint Firehouse because it is centrally located.

The FCSWA board plans to make greater use of its website, which it plans to keep updated with current information on programs, meetings and finances. The board also plans to establish spots in Carrabelle, Eastpoint and Apalachicola where information can be posted for those without Internet access.

"I want participation from everybody," Hartsfield said. "I want this to work. I'm not just doing this for y'all. I'm helping myself."

At the meeting, a sign-up sheet was circulated to volunteer to help the board.

To qualify for membership in FCSWA, seafood workers must present a current Apalachicola Bay Saltwater Products License and a Social Security card or a valid ID showing their Social Security number. The applicant must be present to sign up.

Hartsfield said former Florida Sen. Bob Graham had promised to visit the county and talk to seafood workers, but told the assembly, "We're the only ones who can help us."

"This is our bay and our home," Hartsfield said. "Why not look out for each other? When we go in front of the county commission, come with us so it's not just one or two



SHANNON HARTSFIELD

people. There's no reason for us to struggle and go hungry if we work together."

Graham visited the river last week and was taken on a tour by the Apalachicola Riverkeeper.

At the end of the FCSWA meeting, Junior Lolley urged the assembled workers to comply with new Food and Drug Administration rules.

"The FDA wants to shut us down," he said. "Everything is changing. It don't matter if we want it to or not. Let's try to comply. It's our livelihood. If everybody don't comply, we'll get shut down."

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Maritime museum hosts schoolkids cruise



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On July 25, the Apalachicola Maritime Museum hosted a group of students from the Project Impact summer program on an educational estuary cruise. The City of Apalachicola supports two after-school programs through Project Impact that provide homework help, tutoring, educational enhancement, recreational activities,

and field trips through the academic year with a full-time program in the summer weeks.

The trip was the product of a collaboration between the museum and Project Impact's director, Faye Johnson. The museum donated use of the Starfish Enterprise, a 40-passenger tour boat, a captain and mate for the trip, and coordinated the environmental education component. Mollie Taylor, a graduate student in Florida State

University's Department of Biology who conducts research at the FSU Coastal and Marine Lab, was recruited to interpret what the students were seeing around them as the cruise progressed.

"The river trip provided the perfect environment for the students to learn about estuaries as vital nursery habitat for juvenile fish, crabs, and bivalves," Taylor said. "I think they really enjoyed seeing and hearing about all

the plants and animals that use the Apalachicola River basin and will want to help protect them."

The group encountered ospreys, swallow-tailed kites, dolphins and cypress and tupelo trees as they cruised through the estuarine environment. The museum offers a variety of river tours, cruises, sailing excursions, kayak trips and events. For more information, visit www.ammfl.org.

Ladybug, Ladybug, fly away home

By Lois Swoboda
Times Staff Writer

Approximately 15 people braved the heat with their canine companions to attend Dog Days of Summer, the Coombs House Inn's annual fundraiser for the Franklin County Humane Society.

There was a "Pussy Galor-ious" beauty contest and a "Doggie Duds" fashion show. Participants dined on hot dogs, chips, dog biscuits and kitty treats. All proceeds for the event are donated to the Franklin County Humane Society.

Winner of the fashion show was Ladybug, a Walker hound, who attended with Sandy Hengle, who is fostering her.

Ladybug is in desperate need of a permanent home. She was found starving at the Franklin County School in Eastpoint by the pre-kindergarten teachers.

"She was so thin you could see all her ribs," said Hengle. "You could put your hands around her stomach to her backbone and her hips were so tiny and hip bones sticking out."

Ladybug had obviously been abused. Her rescuers think somebody abandoned her in the forest and she found her way to the school.

The teachers and Hengle began feeding her and taking care of her. She was living under a trailer.

As the beginning of school drew near, they didn't know what to do with her. The humane society had no room. Hengle took



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Sandy Hengle and Ladybug enjoyed the Dog Days of Summer at the Coombs House Inn.

her home and said she has now gained six pounds and is extremely healthy. She is house-trained, crate-trained, leash-trained and very loving and playful.

She seems afraid of other dogs, but loves cats. Ladybug would make a great family pet but needs more attention than Hengle can give and Hengle's landlord does not allow dogs.

Can you take Ladybug home? Please call Hengle at 653-5220 if you can help.

Fund set up for fire victims

Special to The Times

An Aug. 8 fire that destroyed one of Carrabelle's oldest residences has left a family in dire need.

The blaze consumed the Johnson house at 302 East Meridian St. and left Fran Beaty, her daughter Sarah Beaty and Sarah's 1-year-old son, Joshua Jr., homeless.

The home was an early 20th century wooden house, located near the Yent House, Carrabelle's oldest residence.

A benefit account for donations has been set up at Centennial Bank, under the names Sarah or Mary Beaty. All financial contributions will be used to enable the family to get back on their feet.

While the Beatys escaped unharmed, they saved only the clothes on their backs.



LOIS SWOBODA | The Times

American Red Cross volunteer Gathana Parmenas said the agency is providing the Beatys with "financial assistance for food, clothing and shoes. But they will need things like sheets, towels, blankets and even a broom."

The Beatys would welcome donations of money, furniture and clothing (size 9 for the women and 24 months for Joshua), household goods, furniture including baby furniture and all the other household needs

we mostly take for granted.

In Carrabelle, bring donations to the municipal center in the old Carrabelle School during business hours or call 697-2727. Or call Tamara Allen of Carrabelle Cares at 524-1153.

In Apalachicola, take items to the community service center at the former Apalachicola High School. Clarice Powell, with Franklin's Promise, said items can be labeled specifically for the Beatys. She said to call 653-3930 for more information.

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Birthdays



Sophia Zingarelli turns 2

Sophia Zingarelli turned 2 years old on Friday, Aug. 12, 2011.

She is the daughter of Richard and Ashley Zingarelli of Apalachicola.

Maternal grandparents are Joey Creamer of Apalachicola and Diane Cardenas of Carrabelle.

Paternal grandparents are Cairo and Kimberly Ingram of Cairo, Ga., and the late Richard "Tich" Zingarelli.

She is the niece of Angie Zingarelli, LaDonna Butler, Amanda Creamer, Valerie Creamer, and Austin Taunton, all of Apalachicola.

Sophia celebrated her 2nd birthday together with her family and friends.

Engagements and ANNIVERSARIES



Tomblin, Overcash engaged

Mr. and Mrs. Toby Tomblin of Spindale, N.C., are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Meredith Leigh Tomblin, of Tazewell, Va., to Steven Christopher Overcash of Tazewell, Va.

Overcash is the son of Ms. Sandi Jane Hengle of Apalachicola and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Vance Overcash Jr. of Lewisville, N.C., and Mr. Gregory Joseph Hengle of Four Oaks, N.C.

An autumn wedding is planned for Saturday, Oct. 22, 2011, in Spindale.

The bride-elect is a 2004 graduate of R.S. Central High School and a 2008 graduate of the University of North Carolina at Greensboro with a bachelor of arts in sociology with concentration in criminology. She is employed by the Four Seasons YMCA as the aquatics coordinator.

The future groom is a 2004 graduate of Garner Magnet High School, Garner, N.C., and is a 2009 graduate of Appalachian State University in Boone, N.C., where he received his bachelor of science in business administration with a minor in banking and finance. He is employed by Wells Fargo Bank as a personal banker.

He is also the nephew of Lynda Adair of Jackson, Ga., formerly of Apalachicola, and the brother of Hope Hengle of Four Oaks, N.C., formerly of Apalachicola.

The couple was engaged on March 19, 2011, in Tazewell, Va.

Congratulations



Dr. Shellie Marks completes dermatology residency

Chipola College alumna and former cheerleader Dr. Shellie (Davis) Marks completed her dermatology residency June 30 at the University of Alabama at Birmingham, where she served as chief resident.

The former Shellie Davis, daughter of Jerry and Maria Davis of Andalusia, Ala., is the wife of Paul Marks, son of Chuck and Nina Marks of Apalachicola.

Dr. Marks has joined Inverness Dermatology and Laser in Hoover, Ala., a suburb of Birmingham, where the couple resides.

She graduated in 2002 with a 4.0 grade point average from the University of Florida College of Agriculture and Life Sciences Honors Program with a degree in food science and human nutrition. She was awarded the 2002 University of Florida Golden Key International Honor Society Senior Academic Scholarship.

Dr. Marks received her medical degree from the Florida State University College of Medicine in 2006, where she graduated in the top of her class. While attending medical school, she was inducted into the Omicron Delta Kappa Leadership Honor Society. She was the recipient of the FSU College of Medicine Student Research Award, the John A. Johnson, MD Scholarship and a Women's Dermatologic Society Medical Student Awareness Program grant.

After graduating from medical school, Dr. Marks completed her internship in internal medicine at the Medical College of Virginia, where she received the Most Valuable Internal Medicine Resident Award in October 2006.

She spent a year performing research trials as the University of Alabama at Birmingham Department of Dermatology Clinical Research Fellow before starting her dermatology residency.

She participated in numerous research studies focusing on treatments for psoriasis, onychomycosis, disseminated superficial actinic porokeratosis and cutaneous candidiasis, among others. She has been published in multiple medical journals and continues to present lectures at local and national medical conferences.

Dr. Marks is a member of the American Academy of Dermatology, the American Society of Dermatologic Surgery and the Women's Dermatologic Society.

She was valedictorian of Grand Ridge High School in 1998. In May 2000, she graduated from Chipola College, where she met her future husband. The couple married in June 7, 2003.

Paul Marks is a financial advisor with Vision Financial Group in Birmingham. They are the proud parents of a Yorkshire terrier/Maltese mix named Koco.



Brayden Brown turning 3

Brayden Jonathan Brown will turn 3 years old on Friday, Aug. 19, 2011.

He is the son of Jonathan and Jennifer Brown of Apalachicola.

Maternal grandparents are Kenneth and Glenda Martina of Apalachicola.

Paternal grandparents are Jerome and Geanise Brown of Apalachicola.

Maternal great-grandparents are Bill and Burnell Martina, and Curtis and Jean Watson, all of Apalachicola.

Paternal great-grandparent is Mary Brown of Port St. Joe.



Sara and Gabe Lockley

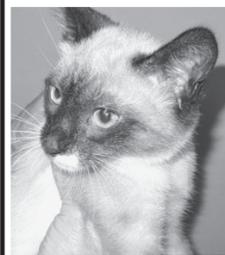
Gabriel and Sara Lockley will celebrate their 4th wedding anniversary today, Aug. 18.

Pastor David Walker of Covenant Word Christian Center officiated at the ceremony in August 2007.

Gabe is the son of Noah and Georgia Lockley of Apalachicola. Sara is the daughter of Johnny and Michele Ward of Alabama and Ronald and Cathy Dempsey of Tennessee.

PET OF THE WEEK

Franklin County Humane Society



Meet Ripley!

Ripley is a beautiful 6-month male Siamese mix. He was picked up on the St. George Island bridge by a good Samaritan. He has gorgeous blue eyes, a ¾-length tail and is very vocal. He will "talk" until he gets the attention he wants. He is very social, affectionate and good-looking. What a character!

Volunteers are desperately needed to socialize Ripley and all of the other dogs and cats. We are always looking for people willing to bring one of our animals into their home to be fostered for various needs. Any time you can spare would be greatly appreciated.

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

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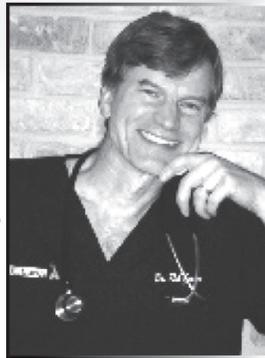
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Kids raised by grandparents see a different side

I remember going to my granddad's house to visit as a young child. I would always run straight to that special cabinet in the kitchen where my Granny Faye always kept plenty of marshmallow peanuts and other goodies. My granddaddy taught me how to cat hunt and how to train a dog to run a coon. He seemed to be able to fix anything, so if I needed something worked on, he would be the first one I would go to. Sometimes I would stay the night with him, and he would tell some of the best stories I've ever heard told.

As an adult, I was told there was a different side to him that I never knew when it came to parenting. I understand those were some of the toughest years

in American history, and he and my granny Tu-Tu had 13 kids so I'm sure things could get a bit testy at times. He was my granddaddy; he never had to be my dad.

I could tell you some great stories of fox hunting adventures where Daddy and I curled up in an old sleeping bag that he received when he was almost drafted. Sometimes we would go fishing and cook our catch right on the river bank. I had many great memories with my Dad, but the difference between him and my granddad was that he had to discipline me when I did wrong. He gave me chores, boundaries and curfew. In dad's house I was never allowed candy just before bed. There were a lot more "nos" and fewer "yesses" but that was the way it was supposed to be, he was my Dad. It is a new age where kids are growing up in homes with parents that carry names like Papaw, Nana, maw

and papa. Thank God for these wonderful people who have stepped up to the plate, but I can't help but wonder if the memories of them will be the same when the grandkids grow up as mine were.

We recently received an email from a young mother who was raised by her grandparents. She had a great life with everything she needed but her mom and dad. The young mother lived with a void that she sought to fill in her own adult life through wrong choices. She endured some rocky times that ultimately affected her children. Now, I am pleased to say, she has put her past behind her and has allowed time and God to heal her wounds. She is determined to be a great mom for her kids so that they will not have to feel the way she did as a child. Sometimes kids are better off with the grandparents, but nonetheless, the role that parents play (or should play) in our life is significant to our self-esteem and

feelings of acceptance.

Kids being raised by grandparents are seeing a side of the grands that was never meant for them to see. The truth is these kids would trade a thousand bedtime stories that you have read to them for just one heartfelt Humpty Dumpty story from mom or dad. We have read horror stories online of situations where the grands are raising one or two and about to get a third child who has been born since the whole ordeal started. I empathize with each situation, but I believe that the truth can set us free. We have to examine ourselves and focus on our children, not our personal desires to fix the brokenness in families. You may be a parent reading this article today thinking, "Who does he think he is?" or a grandparent hoping your son or daughter is reading it. Whichever the case may be, I have just told you a Humpty Dumpty story that is

real. It seems all the earthly king's horses and all the king's men can't put the family back together again.

Listen friend, I know a King who has some pretty good men, None of them perfect, just redeemed from their sin.

They had broken families, too many to say, but the King's Son stepped in and saved the day.

What could have gotten worse got better instead,

He healed a family that was almost dead.

Now this story may seem too good to be true,

But if he did it for me, he will do it for you.

There is still hope for the family, and his name is Jesus.

We welcome all suggestions and hope you enjoy this weekly article. Please send all emails to Scott Shiver at frontline247@mac.com.

Habitat selects Weeks family for new Eastpoint home

Special to The Times

The board of directors and the family selection committee of Habitat for Humanity of Franklin County are pleased to announce that after a three-month search, the Adam and Jessica Weeks family has been selected as our newest partner family. The home is the first of two that will be built in Eastpoint, with construction to begin next month.

Habitat is grateful to Superior Bank, which generously donated the lot in the Magnolia Ridge Estates area of Eastpoint. The bank has also put together a team of volunteers to help in the construction of this house and has committed to help Habitat with its ongoing family financial and new homeownership education.

The public is invited to join the Habitat board at Taylor's Building Sup-

ply from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Aug. 27 to meet the Weeks family and view the plans they have chosen for their new home. As a fundraiser, there will be a barbecue chicken and rib dinner, with all the proceeds going toward Habitat's building fund. The Franklin County Sheriff's Office will be on hand with its award-winning DARE program car and information to help keep your children safe this school year.

Board members will be on hand to answer any questions about the Habitat for Humanity Mission and how you or perhaps someone you know can qualify to be a our next Habitat Partner Family. Information will be available about upcoming build programs, events, the new ReStore and Habitat's vision and goals for the coming year.

For more information, call 653-3113.

American Legion Post plans 'Thanksgiving in August'

See you Friday night, Aug. 19, at the Camp Gordon Johnston American Legion Post 82 in Lanark Village. Hamburgers and fries will be available from 5-7 p.m. Your donation of \$6 will be collected at the door. Enjoy!

This Saturday morning, from 9 a.m. to noon, you can enjoy a full breakfast with your friends and neighbors at the Lanark Village Boat Club. Pancakes, French toast, eggs, bacon, sausage, juice and coffee, still only \$5. Yum, yum!

Lunch on Sunday, Aug. 21, will be at Chillas Hall. Bring a dish to share and a donation. Serving begins at 1 p.m. Hope you can join us.

Pizza, pizza! Sunday night pizza will start Aug. 21 at Camp Gordon Johnston American Legion Post 82. Eat in or take out! \$1 a slice, \$8 a whole pizza, \$10 whole pizza take-out. What a treat! Call 697-9998 to order take-out.

Listen up, pilgrims! On Saturday, Aug. 27, we will have Thanksgiving in



LANARK NEWS
Jim Welsh

August. Members of the Camp Gordon Johnston American Legion Post 82 will prepare, cook and serve turkey, dressing and all the fixings. Serving begins at 1 p.m. A

donation of \$10 a plate is required. Whole cooked turkeys available, \$25 each. Hope you will join us!

The bears are still around! No, not the ones from Chicago! Make sure your garbage can is secure. To make sure, soak a rag in ammonia and place hanging out under the lid. Those of you who are guests for the weekend, make a deal with your neighbor, or take your garbage with you. Don't just throw down somewhere — and don't take it to the recycle area! Thank you.

Be kind to one another, check on the sick and housebound, and remember that little prayer — God grant me patience, and I want it Right Now! Stay cool.

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

Obituaries

Robert M. Neumeister

Robert M. Neumeister, 87, of Charlottesville, Va., passed away on Monday evening, Aug. 1, in Capital Regional Medical Center in Tallahassee, after a

brief illness.

A memorial service will be held at Trinity Episcopal Church in Apalachicola at 4 p.m. Friday, Aug. 19. Burial will be private.

Freddy Jerome Puckett

Freddy Jerome Puckett, 70, passed away Tuesday, August 16, 2011, in Carrabelle.

He was born in Smyrna, Ga., and has lived in Carrabelle eight years, coming from Forsyth County, Ga. He was in the Army National Guard for five years. He coached youth baseball, was a volunteer fireman and was a Mason. He retired from General Motors, Doraville, Ga., Local 34. He enjoyed several years of offshore fishing and made many friends throughout the years.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Carrabelle United Methodist Church, Franklin County Senior Citizens Center, the

University of Florida Cancer Research Center or a charity of your choice.

Services will be Saturday, Aug. 20, at 4:30 p.m. at Carrabelle United Methodist Church, Carrabelle.

He is survived by his wife, Cathy Puckett, of Carrabelle; and son, David Puckett; three grandchildren; Sydney, MacKenzie and Tyler Puckett; sister, Betty Walker, of Hiawassee, Ga.; sister-in-law and brother-in-law, Judy and Larry Westray, of Cumming, Ga.; and a host of special nieces, nephews and cousins.

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

In MEMORY



Gone but not forgotten

To a good soldier, Happy Birthday.

I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith: Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the

Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing.

— 2 Timothy 4, v. 7-8

From Eula and Family

Reunion BRIEFS

Familia reunion: An offer you can't refuse

Heads of the Chiarenza, Mirabella and Poloronis Familia will meet Aug. 27 at 12:30 p.m. at the Mirabella cottage at 980 West Gulf Beach Drive on St. George Island.

The main event will be a mullet fry with a covered dish dinner Greek and Italian style.

RSVP to Dimples Poloronis 653-8387 or Olympia Pridgeon 878-1302.

AHS Class of '81 plans 30-year reunion

The Apalachicola High School class of 1981 is planning its 30-year reunion for the end of 2011.

They have created a site on Facebook called the Apalachicola class of 1981 reunion. Classmates

are asked to log on and become a member of the site so they can stay on top of developments in the reunion plans.

Reunion planners are looking for classmates and friends. People who would have graduated with this group are invited to attend.

The reunion committee is in need of monetary donations as soon as possible, as well as help with the planning. If you have no computer access, please leave a message with your name and address at 653-5850. If you are in contact with classmates who have moved away, please let them know about the planned reunion.

AHS Class of '76 seeks missing classmates

The Apalachicola Class of 1976 is planning its 35th class reunion.

Six graduates still cannot be located: Jeffery Byrd, Darlene Churchill, Carol Edwards, Cynthia Passalacqua, Kevin Randall and Jimmy Themis.

If anyone has any information on these people, please email to Cindy Rowell at crowell58@bellsouth.net or Rachel Ward at 2wards@gtcom.net.

In addition, there are several former classmates organizers would like to include in the reunion: Ricky Abercrombie, Pam Collins, Mary Estes, Christina Hines, Mike Howard, Connie Kaczmarek, Billy Glass, Bill Lunsford, George Needer, Donna Orr, Cheryl Richards, Gloria Spatch, Joe Thompson, Vashtyre Thomas, Rita Wilkerson and Fred Thompson.

Please email any information on these classmates to Rowell or Ward as well.

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Lionfish: They're here!

By Carol Cox

Mexico Beach Artificial Reef
Association Research Diver
Special to The Times

Like Carrie Anne watching the blue screen of her TV in the movie "Poltergeist," Bob Cox looked into the blue and saw something that looked out of place. He was diving on the wreck of the Empire Mica when it appeared in the deep blue depths — an apex predator known to devour everything up to a third its body size. There, waving its stunning fins like the feathers of a tom turkey, was a lone lionfish — proof the invasion had reached our waters.

My husband, Bob, and I are research divers for the Mexico Beach Artificial Reef Association (MBARA) (www.mbara.org). As research divers, we conduct frequent surveys on the artificial reefs to determine their stability and survey the marine life. On our dives, we have been looking out for lionfish as we watched their gradual progress toward our fishing grounds. In the summer of 2010, two lionfish were collected off Pensacola, then one off Panama City. Could Mexico Beach be far behind?

Personnel from the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission who knew us through the MBARA asked Bob and me to be on the lookout and collect a specimen for DNA testing by the Lionfish Tissue Foundation (<http://lionfish-invasion.blogspot.com>). Lionfish are an invasive species from the Pacific first found off the southeastern coast of Florida in the 1980s. By 2000, they had spread up the eastern coast of the U.S. and into Bermuda. They have since spread into the Caribbean and have slowly been making their way into the northern Gulf of Mexico. Their initial appearance is a mystery; theories include accidental release of fish during Hurricane Andrew, and aquarists who released their pets when they became too big.

Lionfish have voracious appetites. When diving in the Red Sea at night, Bob and I watched as lionfish wandered over the sandy bottom, vacuuming up any unwary fish in their path. There is real concern lionfish will affect local fisheries by eating juvenile sport fish such as snappers and groupers. In addition, they are fast breeders. They reach sexual maturity at two years, can spawn several times a year and produce up to 30,000 eggs each time they spawn.

It was once hoped that lionfish would not be able to survive the winters this far north, but early this summer, there were several stories of divers seeing lionfish on MBARA artificial reefs. Bob and I had our first encounter with a lionfish when diving with friends over the Fourth of July weekend. Sea conditions were great, so we headed out to the Empire Mica. On Bob's first dive, he found the lionfish in 95 feet of water on the bow wreckage. Bob didn't have the right equipment to collect the lionfish, but we were armed with cameras and were able to take photos of it. The lionfish let us get our cameras within inches of it; we were cautious because of the fish's venomous spines. Lionfish have spines that can inflict a painful injury; however, they are not known for being aggressive.

The day after the Empire Mica dives, we took our friends to dive the Red Sea Tug off Tyndall Air Force Base. Near the end of the dive, I surprised a lionfish that quickly fled for cover under a railing of the wreck. This lionfish must have encountered divers before, because it did not stand its ground like the one encountered the day before. I saw me as a dangerous predator and did its best to hide from me. I had just enough bottom-time on my dive to wedge my camera under the railing and try for a couple of lucky shots to get more photographic evidence.



SPECIAL TO THE TIMES | Courtesy of Carol Cox

Research diver Bob Cox carefully snares a lionfish. **Below**, a lionfish on the Progress Energy reef off Mexico Beach before its capture by research divers.

Once again, we had a photograph but no physical evidence to send to the DNA repository.

In mid-July, Bob and I went out to a permit site called the North Site to do some artificial reef surveys. We had completed two surveys on some pyramids and then decided to stop by the Progress Energy Reef, also known as the Shady Lady shrimp boat, to check on the goliath grouper population, another study we are involved in. The Shady Lady is always one of our favorite dive locations, and as usual, we weren't disappointed. The usual habitants came out to greet us — first the barracuda that hovered under our boat, then the large amberjacks that swam up to meet us at 40 feet, followed by bluerunners and red snappers. On the wreck itself, we saw two of the resident goliath groupers along with beautiful butterflyfish and damselfishes. On this particular day, we didn't discover anything out of the ordinary for this wonderful site. However, the next day, while reviewing his photos, my husband made a discovery. Unknowingly, he had captured the image of a lionfish in one of his photos. We had both passed right by this fish without seeing it.

Two weeks later, we were back on the wreck, armed with cameras, nets, a paralyzer spear, puncture-resistant gloves and a heavy-duty catch bag made for safely transporting lionfish. I snapped one photo of the lionfish before Bob used the spear with a paralyzer tip to collect it. He didn't get it on the first try, but the lionfish, thinking he was in charge, didn't go far. On the second try, Bob was able to spear the fish and place it in the collection bag. After getting the fish on board, we placed it in its own ice chest. Once we got home, we took photos of the lionfish with a ruler for a record of its size.

The lionfish is now in our freezer while we make arrangements to send samples to different organizations. A snipping from the tail will be sent to the Lionfish Tissue Repository (LTR) for DNA testing; they are trying to find ways to mitigate the invasion. The head will also go to the LTR because they can use the ear bone to determine the age of the fish. The rest of the body will go to the Food and Drug Administration lab at Dauphin Island, Ala. They have just begun testing lion-



fish meat to make sure it is safe to eat, primarily because a few specimens in the Virgin Islands have shown traces of ciguatera toxins, which can build up in predatory fish; this is a known problem with predatory fish in the Virgin Islands. Ciguatera is not usually a problem in our area, with the possible exception of the largest apex predators, such as large barracudas.

Since collecting the lionfish from the Shady Lady, we saw another small lionfish on the limestone ledges about 20 miles off of Indian Pass. That makes four of these invasive fish that we have seen; it's a safe bet they are here to stay.

Not all the news concerning lionfish is bad. They are an excellent food fish and in a blind taste test came in second only to hogfish. In southern Florida, many restaurants are putting lionfish on their menus. Scuba divers have been getting their commercial licenses and selling the fillets to restaurants for as much as \$13 a pound.

If you handle lionfish, be aware that they have venomous spines that must be avoided. The toxin can be very painful, but usually not life-threatening. Treatment consists of soaking the injury in hot water for 30 minutes, then seeking medical treatment for removal of spines, prevention of infection and observation for possible allergic reactions. You can search YouTube to find videos of how to fillet lionfish. The venom is not located in the very tasty flesh of lionfish. Many people even use the spines as cocktail toothpicks by first heating them to 350 degrees F to break down the venom. The Reef Environmental Education Foundation sells a lionfish cookbook on its website, www.reef.org.

Anyone who sees a lionfish is encouraged to report it to the U.S. Geological Survey. They have an online reporting form at <http://nas.er.usgs.gov/sightingreport.aspx>. For a map of lionfish reports, go to <http://nas.er.usgs.gov/taxgroup/fish/lionfishdistribution.aspx>. You can also report the location of lionfish to MBARA at fundraising@mbara.org, and we will try to collect it. If you want more information on lionfish, please visit the MBARA website's education page at www.mbara.org.

Although we are only seeing a few small lionfish in our area right now, history has shown that once they take hold, they quickly become a common sight on the reefs. I believe that over the next few years, lionfish will become entrenched in our fishery, for better or for worse. It may not be long before lionfish becomes the fish of the day at your favorite local restaurant. If you do see lionfish on the menu, do your part for the environment and give it a try. We'll show it who the apex predator really is!

BUDS 'N' BUGS

Offbeat inhabitants found in Tate's Hell

By Lois Swoboda
Times Staff Writer

Each year, Tate's Hell State Forest is visited by the Rainbow People, a band of colorful, nomadic latter-day hippies who settle there for a month or so each spring. But the Rainbows are not the most unusual inhabitants of the swamp. Some of the plants and animals that are full-time residents are pretty unusual, too.

As high summer is upon us, you might notice some large and unusual insects like the one pictured here. These are two-striped stick insects (Anisomorpha buprestoides). A second, more slender, walking stick, Anisomorpha ferruginea, is found here as well but is much rarer.

These unusual insects are members of the family Phasmatidae. They are close relatives of praying mantises and cockroaches. Most phasmatids are found in the Southern Hemisphere.

The two-striped stick insect is found on the barrier islands as well as inland. Hands off — it can forcefully shoot a caustic juice if it feels threatened. This can cause temporary blindness and extreme pain if it contacts the eye.

The stick insect



TWO-STRIPED STICK INSECT



Photos by LOIS SWOBODA | The Times

SPIDER LILY

pictured here is a female. The males are much smaller.

Several Asian walking sticks vie for the title of world's longest insect. The largest are nearly two feet long.

The beautiful, strange flower pictured is a Florida swamp lily (Hymenocallis floridana). It is also called spider lily. The flowers are large and borne on rather sloppy foliage. The plant is a perennial.

This plant is good for local gardens. Although the bloom period is brief, the flowers are exceptionally lovely and are fragrant.

As the name indicates, it tolerates wet feet. It wants full sun to thrive.

Hunter safety courses in Gadsden, Liberty counties

Special to The Times

The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) is offering a free hunter safety Internet-completion course in Gadsden and Liberty counties.

The Gadsden County course will be at the Pat Thomas Florida Public Safety Institute, 75 College Drive, Havana, in Classroom 120.

The Liberty County course will be at the Woodmen of the World Camp, 22459 N.E. Woodmen of the World Road in Hosford. Instruction at each location is from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 27.

Students must complete the Internet course before coming to class and bring a copy of the final report from the online

portion of the course. The final report form does not have to be notarized.

An adult must accompany children younger than 16 at all times. Students should bring a pencil and paper to take notes.

Successful completion of an approved hunter safety course is required for people born on or after June 1, 1975, before they can purchase a Florida hunting license. The FWC course satisfies hunter safety training requirements for all other states and Canadian provinces.

People interested in attending this course can register online and obtain information about future hunter safety classes at MyFWC.com/HunterSafety or by calling the FWC's regional office in Panama City at 850-265-3676.

FISH REPORT SPONSORED BY



Freshwater

As summer ends, many anglers look forward to the great fall freshwater fishing on the Forgotten Coast. Fishing has been pretty good this past week, with good reports from Howard Creek and Lake Wimico. Shellcraker and red breast bream are biting on surface poppers in Depot Creek with good numbers.

Inshore

With less boat traffic on the bay, trout and red fishing should improve this month. Hot spots for trout are also hot spots for scallops. Good schools of red fish have been reported on Town's Beach and down to Pressnells in the grass. Flounder have been more plentiful lately.

Offshore

Good kingfish and Spanish are still close to land. The buoy markers out of Mexico Beach are still holding good bait fish and loads of nice Spanish mackerel. Slow troll cigar minnows or spoons around the channel markers for some good action. Hundreds of small cobia are staying close to the markers as well.



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Fullback Chris Granger, right, and tailback Dwayne Griggs face off at practice as coach Josh Wright, left, and assistant coach Tim Wheeler supervise.

Seahawks prime for fall football

By Pat McCann
Florida Freedom Newspapers

EASTPOINT — If enthusiasm, size up front and a quality running back are enough to produce a turnaround in fortune, then consider Franklin County well on the way to establishing a breakthrough season in 2011.

There are a few road blocks named Liberty County, Blountstown and Port St. Joe remaining in newly formed District 4-1A, however. Road blocks that the Seahawks never have overcome.

"We're charged, even though you always feel like you need one more good lineman and one more good skill guy to have everything you need," said coach Josh Wright, entering his third season.

"Depth is going to be a problem as it always has been, but as far as the 11 on the field

I feel good about their ability to move the ball and to stop folks."

The Seahawks were 3-7 last season with Dwayne Griggs taking over at quarterback when Dalin Modican went down. Griggs, still only a sophomore, will be featured at varied positions in the backfield this fall, sometimes at tailback in the I-formation.

"(Defensive coordinator) Geoff Reeder, who coached state titles in Alabama, coached Bo Jackson in high school said at Dwayne's age he's more explosive than Bo was," Wright said. "He's special. He was a great leader in the spring, and when he didn't get the ball was a tremendous play faker and pass blocker."

Griggs is a 5-foot-9, 170-pounder whose speed is listed at 4.42 on a prospect sheet.

"He's a franchise guy," Wright said. "It's going to be in his hands, or we're going



Junior Chase Golden, right, confronts Charles "Bubba" Fassbenner in a blocking drill at practice last week.

to make them think it's in his hands."

Also assisting Wright this year will be assistant Tim Wheeler, handling quarterbacks and defensive backs, and assistant David Walker handling varsity prep duties. Volunteers include Ashley Teat, who handles game day

coordination, Brock Johnson, Albert Floyd and Connie and Darien Turner.

The Seahawks have some excellent size for a small school in the Rural division. Junior Chase Golden is 6-foot, 309 and listed at tackle and defensive end. Senior Buddy Davidson, 5-11, 247 is a returning starter at guard and Charles "Bubba" Fassbenner will be another two-way player on the line at 6-2, 217. Center David Butler is 6-2, 202 and defensive tackle Jeff Murray 242.

Junior Skyler Hutchinson, Modican's cousin, will move from flanker to quarterback this season. He is being pushed by Zach Armistead.

"Skyler is committed, he's a focused player," Wright said.

Wright called running back/linebacker Brennan Walden a high-motor player, said that senior fullback Chris Granger was on his way to leading the

team in tackles last season and will be returning from a knee injury. The coach mentioned two-way end Ladarius Rhodes and sophomore Dillon Grant, 6-3, 200 as other players to keep an eye on. Kicker Elton Olvera is an added dimension.

"We've got some secrets nobody's heard about," Wright said before taking a more somber view of the district. "We're playing 20 years of catch-up on what Blountstown can do just having a tiger on your shirt. They're so committed and that's just what they do.

"Vern (Barth) will make something happen" in Port St. Joe, "but right now I think Liberty is the team to beat. They do what they do so well.

West Gadsden rounds out the district and represents one of six road games in a 10-game regular-season schedule. The Seahawks open Aug. 26 at Bozeman in a kickoff classic.

Football teams have renewed title dreams

By Brad Milner
Florida Freedom Newspapers

Five small-enrollment Panhandle football programs brought home 12 state high school championships from 1965-93. There only has been one state title since, and only three schools have advanced as far as the final game in nearly 20 years.

In that same span, private-school bullies Tallahassee North Florida Christian and FAMU High, Jacksonville Trinity Christian and Ocala Trinity Catholic have played in 18 state title games and have won the crown 10 times. Many area football teams had the misfortune of encountering those juggernauts along the way as well as Central Florida public school Fort Meade, which has seven finals appearances and one title since 1999.

The Florida High School Athletic Association's Class 1A Rural division was formed to separate smaller schools from similar-sized privates, many of which have population centers of more than 250,000 residents to attract student-athletes. Rural schools such as Chipley, Vernon, Franklin County, Port St. Joe and Graceville aren't afforded the same luxury.

The Tiger Sharks were the lone area state champion since 1993, as they edged Fort Meade 38-31 in 2005. That run was aided by a state semifinal forfeit victory over Jacksonville University Christian, which defeated NFC 24-22, but was disqualified after an FHSAA ruling that it used two ineligible players.

Port St. Joe held on to

win a wild championship game against then-defending champion Fort Meade, which dipped from the previous season with four losses during the regular season. Despite holding a 12-1 record going in, it was another case of Port St. Joe, the smaller school, needing an almost perfect game to ensure victory.

That was the scenario for other area teams, including Blountstown and Graceville, which played in and lost the Class 1A and 1B state finals, respectively, in 2004 and 2005. Blountstown lost a hard-fought four-point battle to Fort Meade in an outcome that was compounded by Tiger mistakes. Graceville was blasted by Lakeland Evangel Christian 49-22 in the inaugural 1B title matchup.

Blountstown was re-districted to Class 2B after the 2004 season. The Tigers maintained a victorious edge, extending a 33-game regular-season winning streak and advancing to the state semifinals in each of the 2005 and 2006 seasons. However, Blountstown encountered Trinity Catholic and Trinity Christian in back-to-back seasons and was sent home with losses by a combined score of 83-7.

"When we got moved to 2B it was pretty rough, we just didn't have the players to compete against those teams and were overwhelmed," said Greg Jordan, who was an assistant at Blountstown during that run and now is head coach. "The 05 team was maybe the best we've had since the '70s" when the Tigers won three 1A titles.

"After about the middle of the first quarter it was over. It's hard to prepare them emotionally to think they can beat Ocala, it was in the back of their minds and we knew what was coming after we won the second round."

Blountstown lost 43-0. The next season Trinity Christian walloped the Tigers 50-7.

The Rural division removes the deflating prospect of playing a nearly unwinnable game. Area teams are slotted into four districts that comprise regions 1 and 2. That means a school such as Blountstown, in Region 2, could play any one of nine teams in Region 1 in the state semifinal next season.

Chipley also is in Region 2 and was placed into District 2 along with Bozeman, Holmes County and South Walton, the four schools representing the largest enrollments in the classification.

"It creates an opportunity that's never really been there in terms of what it takes," said Franklin County coach Josh Wright. "We're all in the business of starting our season with hopes and the goal of a state championship. That's everybody's goal. This doesn't necessarily mean for every single one of us that it will make it easier, but it will certainly keep it from being impossible."

Wright said the new alignment should eliminate the mismatches that have plagued small rural schools before. "The ability for us to beat up on a North Florida Christian would never happen," he said. "The mission now is to say let's go play teams that may be

larger - South Walton has twice as many students as us - but let's prepare and battle. They still have the same type of neighborhoods and communities and fields."

Wright said he was pleased with the move. "I think they made the effort to do it and I think it's the best case scenario for the sport of football. Statistically the need was everywhere and this put fuel on the fire of equity," he said. "The may develop some revisions based on proximity of district games, that's one thing that's kind of lending to some discussions now."

Chipley coach Rob Armstrong, who led Graceville to the 1997 Class 2A state semifinal before falling to Mayo Lafayette, said he's seen how community pride can swell when success comes, and how having to battle against long odds can have a negative effect on morale.

"I think with this there's a whole new attitude in the community and inside the school since the new districts came out," Armstrong said. "Chipley isn't the only school with this attitude. There are schools (in Region 1 and Region 2) that feel like they have a chance to compete for a state title."

"Folks in Chipley care more about watching Chipley play Port St. Joe than an out-of-town team," Armstrong said. "It helps your gate. It draws more interest."

Wright put the whole matter in perspective by noting how it's grouped the competition. "There are 36 teams in our division," he said. "So we start out at least 36th in the state."

Rural division alignments

For the Rural division (Class 1A) football alignments, area teams are included in Regions 1 and 2, which will be bracketed to play in the state semifinal. The state championship will pit the winner of Regions 1 and 2 against the survivor of Regions 3 and 4.

Region 1

District 1: Baker, Bratt Northview, Freeport, Jay
District 2: Cottondale, Graceville, Sneads, Vernon, Wewahitchka

Region 2

District 3: Bozeman, Chipley, Holmes County, South Walton
District 4: Blountstown, Franklin County, Liberty County, Port St. Joe, West Gadsden

Region 3

District 5: Branford, Hamilton County, Jefferson County, Mayo Lafayette
District 6: Bell, Bronson, Hawthorne, Hilliard, Trenton

Region 4

District 7: Baldwin, Chiefland, Dixie County, Newberry, Union County
District 8: Crescent City, Pierson Taylor, Villages, Wildwood

District 3 and 4 teams' playoff histories

District 3

Bozeman: One appearance, 2008.
Chipley: 14 appearances, last in 2006.
Holmes County: One state title in Class B ('65), two runner-up finishes in Class 2A ('79, '87), 10 appearances, last in 2003.
South Walton: Three appearances, last in 2009.

District 4

Blountstown: Three state titles in Class 2A ('73, '76-'77), played in 2004 Class 1A final before losing to Fort Meade 42-38, had string of 33 consecutive regular-season wins from 2004-07, advanced to state Class 2B semifinals in each of 2005-06, lost 43-0 to Ocala Trinity Catholic in '05, lost 50-7 to Trinity Christian in '06, 18 appearances, lost in first round in 2010.
Franklin County: No appearances (new school), former schools that consolidated, Apalachicola and Carrabelle, made four appearances.
Liberty County: State runner-up in Class C ('69), 16 appearances, lost in first round in 2010.
Port St. Joe: Three state titles, two in Class 2A ('71, '84), one in Class 1A ('05), played in Class 1A state semifinal in '06, lost to Tallahassee North Florida Christian 18-13.
West Gadsden: Two appearances, last in 2008.



News BRIEFS

Panhandle Players to host social

All are invited to attend a social hosted by the Panhandle Players at 7 p.m. Aug. 25 in the Carriage House, next to the Raney House.

There will be fun, food, fellowship and information on the upcoming season. Additions for the season's opening show, "A Night of One-Act Plays," are slated for 7 p.m. Sept. 11-12 at the Eastpoint Volunteer Fire Department, 24 Sixth St.

For more information, call Margy Oehlert at 670-8874 or Melanie Inzetta at 734-0260.

School registration continues today

School registration for Franklin County sixth through 12th grade students continues today, Aug. 18, from 3-6 p.m. in the media center/gym.

Ninth grade orientation will be 1-2 p.m. Friday, Aug. 19, in the cafeteria.

Seniors and juniors may pick up their schedules at the school. Also, a new shipment of school shirts is in and may be purchased in the front office.

For more information, call 670-2800.

Low-cost neutering available

The Franklin County Humane Society was selected to receive a \$3,000 grant from the Ryan Newman Foundation in support of the spay/neuter voucher program. This

program serves the pet owners of Franklin County by offering low-cost spaying and neutering to those who qualify.

If you are a pet owner and need to have your pet altered but feel like you can't afford it, call the Humane Society at 670-8417 or come by the adoption center to fill out an application. The cost to you is only \$20, which includes a rabies vaccination.

Help control animal over population. Have your pets spayed or neutered.

Diabetes class to be Aug. 30

Have you or your loved one been diagnosed with diabetes? Sacred Heart Hospital on the Gulf and Jenny Stuckey, registered nurse and certified diabetes educator, will host a diabetes self-management class from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Aug. 30 in the conference room at the hospital.

The class is open to adults with diabetes looking for ways to manage their disease. The class will cover topics on exercise, medication and nutrition for patients to reduce the symptoms of diabetes. Pre-registration is required, and a physician referral is needed to attend the class. Registration deadline is Aug 18; the \$10 fee will include lunch for the day.

For more information or to join the class, call Ruthie Rhodes at 229-5620 or Stuckey at 278-3683. For more information about Sacred Heart, visit www.sacredheartonthegulf.org.



SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

A view of the new museum.

Lighthouse museum, gift shop to open

Special to the Times

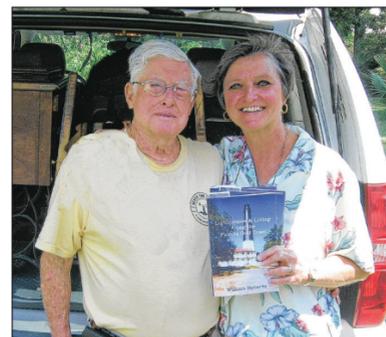
The Lighthouse Keeper's House Museum and Gift Shop at the Cape St. George Light on St. George Island will open to the public from 1-5 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 21.

The museum and gift shop are housed in the recently completed Lighthouse Keeper's House, a replica of the original Keeper's House that stood on Little St. George Island. The Keeper's House is next to the lighthouse in St. George Lighthouse Park at the center of the island.

William Roberts, whose father and grandfather served as keepers at the Cape St. George Light, will be at the opening to sign copies of his book "Lighthouses and Living Along the Florida Gulf Coast."

The first phase of the exhibits in the museum focuses on the need for a lighthouse on St. George Island and the history of the lighthouse, which was first built in 1833 and was reconstructed in 1848, 1852 and 2008. On display are original pieces of the 1852 lighthouse, which collapsed into the Gulf of Mexico on Oct. 21, 2005, and was rebuilt through a major community effort. Another exhibit tells the story of the keepers who lived and worked at the historic lighthouse and features a number of tools and memorabilia donated by the Roberts family.

Also on display is a keeper's uniform, worn by Stan Farnham during his recent tenure as president of the Florida Lighthouse Association. The uniform is the centerpiece of an exhibit that includes a tribute to the many members of the U.S. Lighthouse Service who kept the nation's lights burning to protect mariners for more than 100 years.



Terry Kemp stands with William Roberts, who will sign his book "Lighthouses and Living Along the Florida Gulf Coast" at Sunday's opening.

The gift shop, under the management of island resident Carol Talley, will offer items commemorating the Cape St. George Light, as well as a selection of jewelry and gifts for children. Along with Roberts' book, the shop will feature "Island Light," the recently reprinted novel by Apalachicola author Alexander Key that tells a Civil War-era tale set at the Cape St. George Light.

Tickets for climbing the lighthouse will be available at the gift shop.

After Sunday's opening, the museum and gift shop will be open the same hours as the Cape St. George Lighthouse: Monday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sunday from noon to 5 p.m., and closed on Thursdays.

For more information, please contact Terry Kemp at 927-2000.

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

RUNWAY 14-32 IMPROVEMENTS

at

APALACHICOLA REGIONAL AIRPORT

FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA

Notice is hereby given that the Franklin County Board of County Commissioners will receive sealed bids at the Franklin County Office of the Clerk of Court, 33 Market Street, Suite 203, Apalachicola, Florida 32320 (office: 850-653-8861) until 4:00 PM local time on **Friday, September 2, 2011**, for the **RUNWAY 14-32 IMPROVEMENTS** project at Apalachicola Regional Airport. All bids will be publicly opened and read aloud in the regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of County Commissioners on Tuesday, September 6, 2011. Bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked "BID ENCLOSED: RUNWAY 14-32 IMPROVEMENTS, Apalachicola Regional Airport." The project generally includes, but is not necessarily limited to the following tasks:

Remove existing runway markings, mildew, and vegetation from the surface of existing Runway 13-31; perform minor concrete repair; re-sealing the joints within the western half (approx.) of the concrete pavement with new silicone joint material; apply new runway markings to the pavement reflecting the new identifier, Runway 14-32; replace existing mandatory guidance sign panels from "13-31" to read "14-32"; replace select edge light fixtures; and provide certified surveys of runway end coordinates and of obstacle clearance for approaches on both runway ends.

Beginning on **Thursday, August 18, 2011**, bidding documents may be examined at the Franklin County Office of County Administrator, 33 Market Street, Apalachicola, Florida 32320 (office: 850-653-9783). Digital copies of the above documents may be obtained from the office of AVCON, INC., 320 Bayshore Drive, Suite A, Niceville, Florida 32578 (office: 850-678-0050) upon payment of a non-refundable fee of Fifty dollars (\$50.00) payable to AVCON, INC. per bid set. Hard copies of the above documents may be provided at an additional cost. Questions relating to the Bid Documents shall be submitted to the Engineer.

Bid security in the amount of at least five percent (5%) of the total bid must be submitted with the bid. The bid security may be either a certified check or a proposal guaranty bond executed by a surety company authorized to do business in the State of Florida. Bid security shall be made payable to the Franklin County Board of County Commissioners. The successful bidder must be able to furnish a 100% Performance Bond and a 100% Labor and Materials Payment Bond, and shall begin execution of this contract within five (5) calendar days following the date of the Notice to Proceed. Franklin County has established a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) goal for this project. The DBE participation goal for this project is 6.96% and compliance requirements are listed in the bidding documents.

A **Non-Mandatory Pre-Bid Conference** will be conducted at the Franklin County Courthouse Annex at 34 Forbes Street, Apalachicola, Florida 32320 on **Thursday, August 25 at 4:00 pm local time (EDT)**. Questions related to the Bid Documents will be answered at that time. Attendance by prime contractors is encouraged but not required.

OWNER'S CONTACT:
Alan Pierce, Director of Administrative Services
Franklin County
33 Market Street
Apalachicola, Florida 32320
Tel: 850-653-9783; Fax: 850-653-9799

ENGINEER'S CONTACT:
Virgil C. "Lee" Lewis, P.E., Regional Manager
AVCON, INC.
320 Bayshore Drive, Suite "A"
Niceville, Florida 32578
Tel: 850-678-0050; Fax: 850-678-0040

All bids shall be sealed and shall be addressed as follows:

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Funding for this project is being provided by the Federal Aviation Administration and the Florida Department of Transportation. Franklin County reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive any technical or legal deficiencies and to accept any bid that it may deem to be in the best interest of the County. No bidder may withdraw his/her bid for a period of 120 calendar days following the bid opening.

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Bow Wow Bash Masquerade Party will be on Saturday, October 29, 2011.

Notice for Interested Contractors/ Request for Qualifications (RFQ) Multi-Family

Capital Area Community Action Agency has received federal funds for weatherizing Multi-Family units in Franklin and Gulf counties. Weatherization includes air infiltration reduction, insulation, repair/replacement of doors and windows, low-flow showerheads and compact fluorescent light bulbs repair/replacement of heating/cooling systems and water heaters. Work will begin October 1, 2011 and must be performed under the supervision of a state licensed contractor and is subject to Davis-Bacon requirements. Current contractors must re-apply. A Pre-BID conference will be held on Friday, August 19, 2011, 1:00pm-3:00pm at the Franklin Promise Community Room, 192 14th Street, Apalachicola, FL 32320, Apalachicola, FL. The RFQ is due no later than 5:00pm, Monday, August 29, 2011. To attend the Pre-BID conference, request an RFQ, or for more information, contact Mecarlo Richardson or Debbie Mabry, (850) 222-2043, fax (850) 270-9561, or deboramabry@cacaainc.org.



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BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., Plaintiff,
vs.
CHARLOTTE S. MULLIS, et al., Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Mortgage Foreclosure dated June 24, 2011 and entered in Case No. 19-2008-CA-000307 of the Court of the SECOND JUDICIAL Circuit in and for FRANKLIN County, Florida wherein BANK OF AMERICA, N.A. is the Plaintiff and CHARLOTTE S. MULLIS, LEE MULLIS; BANK OF AMERICA; ST. GEORGE PLANTATION OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.; are the Defendants, The Clerk of the Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the FRONT DOOR OF THE FRANKLIN COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 33 MARKET STREET, APALACHICOLA, FLORIDA at 11:00 A.M., on the 27th day of September, 2011, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgement:

LOT 28, SCHOONER LANDING, PHASE I, A SUBDIVISION AS PER MAP OR PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 6 AT PAGE 5 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA.

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

WITNESS MY HAND and the seal of this Court on June 27, 2011

Marcia M. Johnson
Clerk of the Circuit Court

By: Michele Maxwell
Deputy Clerk

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact: Mr. Doug Smith, Office of Court Administration, Leon County Courthouse, 301 South Monroe Street, Tallahassee, FL 32301, Phone: 850-577-4401, Fax: 850-487-7947, August 11, 18, 2011

3384T NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Writ of Execution issued in the Circuit Court of Franklin County Florida, on the 8th day of June, 2010, in the cause where Capital City Bank was plaintiff and Michael Lamar Clayton and Denise C. Clayton were defendants, being Case No. 2010-000494-CA in said court I, Skip Shiver, as Sheriff of Franklin County, Florida, have levied upon all the right, title and interest of the defendants Michael Lamar Clayton and Denise C. Clayton in and to the following described property, to-wit:

2002 Coast Guard Registered Cabin 42 ft. 2in. Fiberglass Inboard Mo-

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torboat, VIN# EGH421071102, Documented #D01125201, Decal #10230440, Commercial Fishing.

and on the 29th day of August, 2011 at the Scipio Creek Marina, located at 301 Market Street, Apalachicola, FL 32320, Franklin County, Florida, at the hour of 11:00 a.m., or as soon thereafter as possible, I will offer for sale all of the said defendants' Michael Lamar Clayton and Denise C. Clayton, rights, title and interest in aforesaid property at public outcry and will sell the same, subject to all prior liens, encumbrances and judgments, if any, to the highest and best bidder for CASH, the proceeds to be applied as far as may be to the payment of costs and the satisfaction of the above described execution. Note: In accordance with the American with Disabilities Act, persons with disabilities needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact Debbie Mock no later than seven days prior to the proceeding at Franklin County Sheriff's Office at (850)-670-8519.

Boat can be viewed prior to sale at Scipio Creek Marina located at 301 Market Street Apalachicola, FL 32320

Skip Shiver Sheriff of Franklin County, Florida By: Debbie Mock Deputy Sheriff July 28, August 4, 11, 18, 2011

3386T STATE OF FLORIDA, CRIMINAL JUSTICE STANDARDS & TRAINING COMMISSION, Petitioner
vs.
CLIFF OLEN HUNTER, Case #29558 Respondent

NOTICE OF ACTION

TO: CLIFF OLEN HUNTER, Residence Unknown

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an Administrative Complaint has been filed against you seeking to revoke your CORRECTIONAL Certificate in accordance with Section 943.1395, F.S., and any rules promulgated thereunder.

You are required to serve a written copy of your intent to request a hearing pursuant to Section 120.57, F.S. upon Michael Crews, PROGRAM DIRECTOR, Criminal Justice Professionalism Program, Florida Department of Law Enforcement, P. O. Box 1489, Tallahassee, Florida 32302-1489, on or before September 26, 2011. Failure to do so will result in a default being entered against you to Revoke said certification pursuant to Section 120.60, F.S., and Rule 11B-27, F.A.C.

Dated: July 26, 2011 Ernest W. George CHAIRMAN - CRIMINAL JUSTICE STANDARDS AND TRAINING COMMISSION By: Cliff Chitwood, Division Representative August 4, 11 18, 25, 2011

3454T IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 2ND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION CASE NO.: 09-00316

SUNTRUST MORTGAGE, INC., Plaintiff,
vs.

EMILY NIXON CRUM A/K/A EMILY ANNETTE NIXON A/K/A JAMIE D. CRUM A/K/A JAMIE CRUM; BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY; UNKNOWN TENANT(S); IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY, Defendants.

RE-NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order Resetting Fore-

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closure Sale Date dated the 27th day of July, 2011, and entered in Case No. 09-00316, of the Circuit Court of the 2ND Judicial Circuit in and for Franklin County, Florida, where-

IN SUNTRUST MORTGAGE, INC. is the Plaintiff and EMILY NIXON CRUM A/K/A EMILY ANNETTE NIXON A/K/A EMILY NIXON WALLACE; JAMIE D. CRUM A/K/A JAMIE CRUM; BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY AND UNKNOWN TENANT(S); IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY are defendants. The Clerk of the Court shall sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the FRONT STEPS OF THE FRANKLIN COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 33 MARKET STREET, APALACHICOLA, FL 32320, at 11:00 a.m. on the 7th day of September, 2011, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

COMMENCE AT THE CONCRETE MONUMENT MARKING THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF FRACTIONAL SECTION 28, TOWNSHIP 6 SOUTH, RANGE 6 WEST, FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA, AND THENCE RUN NORTH 01 DEGREES 09 MINUTES 00 SECONDS WEST ALONG THE SECTION LINE 91.46 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. FROM SAID POINT OF BEGINNING THENCE RUN SOUTH 74 DEGREES 40 MINUTES 12 SECONDS WEST 83.31 FEET, THENCE RUN NORTH 21 DEGREES 40 MINUTES 48 SECONDS WEST 249.23 FEET, THENCE RUN NORTH 26 DEGREES 38 MINUTES 57 SECONDS WEST 126.28 FEET, THENCE NORTH 60 DEGREES 59 MINUTES 00 SECONDS EAST ALONG THE NORTHERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY BOUNDARY OF A COUNTY GRADED ROAD 251.74 FEET TO THE EAST BOUNDARY OF SECTION 29, TOWNSHIP 8 SOUTH, RANGE 6 WEST, THENCE RUN SOUTH 01 DEGREES 09 MINUTES 00 SECONDS EAST ALONG SAID SECTION LINE 444.64 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. SUBJECT TO A COUNTY GRADED ROAD OVER AND ACROSS THE NORTHERLY 60.00 FEET THEREOF. SUBJECT TO A FLORIDA POWER CORPORATION TRANSMISSION LINE OVER AND ACROSS THE ABOVE DESCRIBED PROPERTY.

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

Dated this 27th day of July, 2011.

Marcia Johnson Clerk Of The Circuit Court

By: Terry Creamer Deputy Clerk Aug 11, 18, 2011

3481T PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice for Interested Contractors/

Request for Qualifications (RFQ)

Single Family

Capital Area Community Action Agency has received federal funds for weatherizing residential homes in Franklin and Gulf counties. Weatherization includes air infiltration reduction, insulation, repair/replacement of doors and windows, low-flow showerheads and compact fluorescent light bulbs repair/replacement of heating/cooling systems and water heaters. Work will begin October 1, 2011 and must be performed under the supervision of a state licensed contractor and is subject to Davis-Bacon requirements. Current contractors must re-apply.

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A Pre-BID conference will be held on Friday, August 19, 2011, 1:00pm-3:00pm at the Franklin Promise Community Room, 192 14th Street, Apalachicola, FL 32320. Apalachicola, FL. The RFQ is due no later than 5:00pm, Monday, August 29, 2011. To attend the Pre-BID conference, request an RFQ, or for more information, contact Mecarlo Richardson or Debbie Mabry, (850) 222-2043, fax (850) 270-9561, or debora.mabry@cacaiainc.org August 11, 18, 2011

3482T IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY CASE NO. 08-000228-CA

HANCOCK BANK, successor in interest to PEOPLES FIRST COMMUNITY BANK, Plaintiff,
vs.
NOLAN LASSISTER a/k/a NOLAN LASSITER, SR. MELINDA LASSITER, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to an Amended Final Judgment of Foreclosure as to sale date only dated July 25, 2011 entered in Case Number 08-CA-228 of the Circuit Court of the Second Judicial Circuit in and for Franklin County, Florida wherein HANCOCK BANK, successor in interest to PEOPLES FIRST COMMUNITY BANK is the Plaintiff and NOLAN LASSITER, SR. and MELINDA LASSITER are the Defendants, I will sell to the highest bidder for cash at the Franklin County Courthouse, 33 Market Street, Apalachicola, Florida, Franklin County, at 11:00 a.m. Eastern Time, on the 7th day of September, 2011, the following described property situated in Franklin County, Florida, and set forth in the Order or Final Judgment, to-wit:

Lot 1 of Peninsular Point Unit No. 7, a subdivision as per map or plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 2, Page 3, of the Public Records of Franklin County, Florida.

ALSO

Begin at a concrete monument marking the Northwest corner of Lot 1, of Peninsular Point Unit No. 7, a subdivision as per map or plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 2, Page 3, of the Public Records of Franklin County, Florida and thence run South 17 degrees 27 minutes 31 seconds West along the West-erly boundary of said Lot 85.50 feet to a re-bar marking the Southwest corner of said lot thence run North 64 degrees 56 minutes 20 seconds West 203.66 feet to a re-bar on the South-easterly right-of-way boundary of County Road No. 370, thence run North 49 degrees 48 minutes 32 seconds East along said right-of-way boundary 93.11 feet to a re-bar, thence run South 65 degrees 00 minutes 36 seconds East 153.37 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING. The above described property containing a part of Lot 12, Block "K" of Bald Point Estates, a subdivision as per map or plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 3, Pages 43 - 45, of the Public Records of Franklin County, Florida.

In accordance with the Americans With Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact the Court Administrator's Office no later than seven (7) days prior to the proceeding at 300 East Fourth Street, Panama City, Florida, 32401; Telephone: (850) 763-9061, ext. 327; 1-800-955-8771 (TDD); or 1-800-955-5770 (V), via Florida Relay Service.

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property

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owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale.

WITNESS my hand and the official seal of this Honorable, Court, on this 26th day of July, 2011.

MARCIA M. JOHNSON CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT FRANKLIN COUNTY
By: Michele Maxwell Deputy Clerk Aug 11, 18, 2011

3485T IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION CASE NO.: 2009-CA-000368

SUNTRUST BANK Plaintiff,
vs.
MILLARD LEON FOWLER, II, et al., Defendant(s)

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Summary Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated July 25, 2011 entered in Civil Case No. 2009-CA-000368 of the Circuit Court of the 2nd Judicial Circuit in and for Franklin County, Florida, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at Franklin County Court-house, 33 Market Street, Apalachicola, FL 32320 in accordance with Chapter 45, Florida Statutes at 11:00 AM (EST) on the 7th day of September, 2011, the following described property as set forth in said Summary Final Judgement, to-wit:

LOT 62 OF SEA PALM VILLAGE, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 4 PAGE 30, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA

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

Dated 27th day of July, 2011.

Marcia Johnson Clerk of the Circuit Court

By: Michele Maxwell Deputy Clerk

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in a court proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the Office of Court Administration at (850) 653-8861, or at the Franklin County Courthouse, 33 Market Street, Apalachicola, Florida 32329-0340 within 2 working days of receipt of a notice compelling you to appear at a court proceeding; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711. The ADA Coordinator for the courts in Franklin County is Doug Smith. He may be reached at (850) 653-8861 or through the Florida Relay Service, TDD at 1-800-955-8771. The address for the Office of Court Administration is: Franklin County Courthouse, 33 Market Street, Apalachicola, Florida 32329-0340. In all other counties in the circuit please contact the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office and ask for the ADA Coordinator. The Clerk's number is included on each county page. Aug 11, 18, 2011

3490T IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA, GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION CASE NO.: 10-000354-CA

MULTIBANK RES-ADC VENTURE, LLC Plaintiff,
vs.

DIVERSIFIED EXECUTIVE CRESTVIEW LLC, MAGNOLIA RIDGE ESTATES PROPERTY

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OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA, JACKSON- COOK, LC and PAUL D'AGNESE Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered in this cause, in the Circuit Court for Franklin County, Florida, I will sell the property situated in Franklin County, Florida:

Commence at a re-rod marking the intersection of the Westerly right-of-way boundary of State Road S-65 and the Northerly right-of-way boundary of State Road No. 30, lying and being situate in the south 1/2 of the fractional Northwest 1/4 of Section 36, Township 8 South, Range 7 West, Franklin County, Florida and run South 81 degrees 29'08" West along the Northerly right-of-way boundary of said State Road No. 30, a distance of 60.07 feet to a nail and cap (marked #732), thence South 81 degrees 46'32" West along said right-of-way boundary a distance of 87.99 feet to a nail and cap (marked #7160) marking the POINT OF BEGINNING. From said POINT OF BEGINNING continue South 81 degrees 46'32" West along said right-of-way boundary 31.97 feet to a nail and cap (marked #4261), thence run North 69 degrees 26'32" West along said right-of-way boundary 111.67 feet, thence run North 89 degrees 20'32" West along said right-of-way boundary a distance of 341.01 feet to a point lying on the approximate mean high water line of Apalachicola Bay, thence run Northeasterly along said mean high water line the following four (4) courses: North 37 degrees 17'47" East 75.76 feet, North 39 degrees 52'45" East 19.94 feet; North 30 degrees 53'14" East 76.70 feet North 25 degrees 44'07" East 18.48 feet, thence leaving said mean high waterline run North 89 degrees 52'11" East 458.19 feet to an iron pipe, thence South 00 degree 00'00" East 99.11 feet to a re-rod (marked #7160), thence run South 82 degrees 57'24" West 88.76 feet to a re-rod (marked #7160), thence run South 00 degree 39'15" East 87.65 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING.

AND
A portion of those certain Lots 1 and 2, of Block 124, according to an unrecorded Map or Plat of EASTPOINT PENINSULA, Vrooman Estate Properties, begin a portion of fractional Section 29, Township 8 South, Range 6 West, FRANKLIN County, Florida, being more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at the South-westerly corner of said Lot 1, Block 124, thence along the North-easterly right-of-way line of 3rd Street (50 foot right-of-way), North 36 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West 133.33 feet, thence leaving said right-of-way line North 51 degrees 32 minutes 00 seconds East, 75.07 feet, thence South 35 degrees 59 .minutes East 136.47 feet to a Point of the Northwesterly right-of-way line of United States Highway 98 (100 foot right-of-way), thence along said Northwesterly right-of-way line, South 53 degrees 56 minutes 05 seconds West 75.00 feet, to the POINT OF BEGINNING.

AND
Lots 1 thru 21, Block C, The Reserve at Magnolia Ridge Estates, Unit 1, according to the Plat thereof on file in Plat Book 9, Page 1-3, corrected by affidavit recorded in O.R. Page 833 at Page 436, all of the Public Records of Franklin County, Florida.

LESS AND EXCEPT

Lot 5, Block C, The Reserve at Magnolia Ridge Estates, Unit 1, according to the Plat thereof on file in Plat Book 9, Page 1-3, cor-

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rected by affidavit recorded in O.R. Page 833 at Page 436, all of the Public Records of Franklin County, Florida.

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at public sale, to the highest and best bidder, for cash, public sale, to the highest and best bidder, at 33 Market Street, Apalachicola, Florida, 32320 on the front steps of the Franklin County Courthouse, at 11:00 A.M., on September 7, 2011.

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

JONES, WALKER, WAECHTER, POITEVENT, CARRERE & DENEGRÉ, L.L.P., Counsel for Plaintiff 201 South Biscayne Blvd, Suite 2600 Miami, FL 33131-4341 (305) 679-5700 Fax: (305) 679-5710

By: Michael Anthony Shaw, Esq. Fla. Bar No. 0018045 Kathryn W. Drey, Esq. Fla. Bar No. 0142492 Aug 11, 18, 2011

3491T IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF TH E 2nd JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY Case #: 2009-CA-000348 Division #:

BAC Home Loans Servicing, L.P. f/k/a Countrywide Home Loans Servicing, L.P. Plaintiff,
vs.

William Luberto, Jr., an Unremarried Widow and Surviving Spouse of Paula Luberto, Deceased; Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order of Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated July 26, 2011, entered in Civil Case No. 2009-CA-000348 of the Circuit Court of the 2nd Judicial Circuit in and for Franklin County, Florida, wherein BAC Home Loans Servicing, L.P. f/k/a Countrywide Home Loans Servicing, L.P., Plaintiff and William Luberto, Jr., an Unremarried Widow and Surviving Spouse of Paula Luberto, Deceased 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. on September 7, 2011, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to-wit:

LOTS 1 AND 2 EAST OF EIGHT STREET, EASTPOINT; PLATTED BUT NOT RECORDED, DESCRIBED BY METES AND BOUNDS AS FOLLOWS:

FROM SAID POINT (CONCRETE MONUMENT) ON THE NORTHERN BOUNDARY OF U.S. HIGHWAY #319-98.50 FEET FROM THE CENTER OF SAME AND 442 FEET SOUTH (TRUE MERIDIAN), FROM THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 29, TOWNSHIP 8 SOUTH, RANGE 6 WEST, RUN NORTH 66 DEGREES 17' EAST ALONG HIGHWAY 729.5 FEET TO A POINT OF BEGINNING. RUN THENCE NORTH 23 DEGREES 49' WEST 200 FEET; THENCE NORTH 66 DEGREES 17' EAST 100 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 23 DEGREES 43' EAST 200 FEET; CONTINUE 100 FEET ACROSS THE ROAD AND THEN ONTO THE SHORE OF ST. GEORGE SOUND; THENCE SOUTH-WESTERLY ALONG THE SHORE 100 FEET; THENCE NORTH 23 DEGREES 43' WEST TO THE ROAD AND ACROSS THE ROAD TO A POINT OF BEGINNING.

NOTICE OF RESCHEDULED FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order Rescheduling Foreclosure Sale dated July 27, 2011 and entered in Case No. 19-2009-CA-000188 of the Circuit Court of the SECOND Judicial Circuit in and for FRANKLIN County, Florida wherein BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., is the Plaintiff and CHARLES W. LINDNER; ISABELLA M. LINDNER; are the Defendants, The Clerk of the Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at FRONT DOOR OF THE FRANKLIN COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 33 MARKET STREET, APALACHICOLA, FLORIDA at 11:00 AM, on the 24th day of August, 2011, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment.

LOT 14, RIVER VIEW SUBDIVISION, AS PER THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 6, PAGE 20, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA

A/K/A 2621 BLUFF RD., APALACHICOLA, FL 32320

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

WITNESS MY HAND

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PROPERTY OWNER AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS MUST FILE A CLAIM WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER THE SALE.

Marcia M. Johnson Clerk of Court Franklin County, Florida

Terry E. Creamer Deputy Clerk of Court

Submitted By: Attorney For Plaintiff: Shapiro, Fishman & Gache, LLP 4630 Woodland Corporate Blvd. Suite 100 Tampa, FL 33614 (813) 880-8888 (813) 880-8800 09-140745 FC01 Aug 11, 18, 2011

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Notice for Interested Contractors/ Request for Qualifications (RFQ)

Multi-Family

Capital Area Community Action Agency has received federal funds for weatherizing Multi-Family units in Franklin and Gulf counties. Weatherization includes air infiltration reduction, insulation, repair/ replacement of doors and windows, low-flow showerheads and compact fluorescent light bulbs repair/ replacement of heating/cooling systems and water heaters. Work will begin October 1, 2011 and must be performed under the supervision of a state licensed contractor and is subject to Davis-Bacon requirements. Current contractors must re-apply. A Pre-BID conference will be held on Friday, August 19, 2011, 1:00pm-3:00pm at the Franklin Promise Community Room, 192 14th Street, Apalachicola, FL 32320. Apalachicola, FL. The RFQ is due no later than 5:00pm, Monday, August 29, 2011. To attend the Pre-BID conference, request an RFQ, or for more information, contact Mecarlo Richardson or Debbie Mabry, (850) 222-2043, fax (850) 270-9561, or debora.mabry@cacaiainc.org August 11, 18, 2011

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR LEHMAN BROTHERS SMALL-BALANCE COMMERCIAL MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, 2007-1, Plaintiff,
vs.

APALACH HOLDING COMPANY, INC., a Florida corporation; APALACHEE BAY ENTERPRISES, INC., a Florida corporation; and ROBERT P. ATCHISON, Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to the Final Summary Judgment of Foreclosure dated July 25, 2011, entered in Case No. 2010-000414-CA, in the Circuit Court of the 2nd Judicial Circuit in and for Franklin County, Florida, wherein U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR LEHMAN BROTHERS SMALL-BALANCE COMMERCIAL MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, 2007-1, is the Plaintiff, and APALACH HOLDING COMPANY, INC., a Florida corporation; APALACHEE BAY ENTERPRISES, INC., a Florida corporation; and ROBERT P. ATCHISON, are the Defendants, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash except as set forth herein-after on Sept 7, 2011, at 11:00 A.M., at the Second Floor Lobby of the Franklin County Courthouse, 33 Market Street, Apalachicola, Florida 32320, the following described property situated in Franklin County, as set forth in said Final

Judgment, to wit:

Commence at a found 3/4" iron pipe marking the most Easterly Corner of Lot 1, Block "E2" as per the Official Map of the City of Apalachicola as recorded in Deed Book "M", Page 437, of the Public Records of Franklin County, Florida, and run hence North 49°08'07" West along the Southwesterly right-of-way of Commerce Street for a distance of 121.21 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING. From said Point of Beginning continue North 49°08'07" along said right-of-way 41.54 feet; thence leaving said right-of-way run South 41°04'36" West 80.00 feet; thence run South 49°08'07" East 42.17 feet; thence run North 40°37'42" East 80.00 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING.

Property Address: 82 Commerce Street, Apalachicola, Florida 32320.

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AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA) NOTICE
*In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you are a person with a disability who needs a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. To request such a c o m m o d a t i o n , please contact the Court Administration Office within two (2) working days of the date the service is needed at 850-653-8861, Ext. 100. If hearing or voice impaired call (TDD) (800) 955-8771, or (800) 955-8770 (V), via Florida Relay Service.

DATED THIS 28th day of 2011.

MARCIA JOHNSON, CLERK OF COURT FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA

By: Terry E. Creamer
Deputy Clerk
Aug 11, 18, 2011

35131T
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 2ND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 19-2009-CA-000527

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A.
Plaintiff,

vs.

FINN, WILLIAM, et al.,
Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order or Final Judgment entered in Case No. 19-2009-CA-000527 of the Circuit Court of the 2ND Judicial Circuit in and for FRANKLIN County, Florida, wherein, BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., Plaintiff, and FINN, WILLIAM L., et al., are Defendants, I will sell to the highest bidder for cash at, 33 MARKET STREET, FRONT STEPS OF THE COURTHOUSE, SUITE 203, APALACHICOLA, FL 32320, at the hour of 11:00 AM, on the 7th day of September, 2011, the following described property:

LOT SIXTEEN (16) OF BLOCK SIX (6) IN BAXTER'S ADDITION OF THE TOWN OF CARRABELLE, FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA, ACCORDING TO THE MAP OR SAID TOWN NOW IN COMMON USE.

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

DATED THIS 28th day of July, 2011.

Marcia M. Johnson
Clerk Circuit Court

By: Michele Maxwell
Deputy Clerk
Aug 18, 25, 2011

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 2ND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA
CIVIL DIVISION;
CASE NO.: 09-00463

SUNTRUST MORTGAGE, INC.
Plaintiff,

vs.

HOWARD M. WEBB; SABRINA WEBB; UNKNOWN TENANT (S) IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY, Defendants.

RE-NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY pursuant to an Order Resetting Foreclosure Sale Dated the 27th day of July, 2011, and entered in Case No. 09-00463, of the Circuit Court of the 2ND Judicial Circuit in and for Franklin County, Florida, wherein SUNTRUST MORTGAGE INC., is the Plaintiff and HOWARD M. WEBB; SABRINA WEBB; UNKNOWN TENANT (S) N/A TIF-FANY CREAMER IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY are defendants. The Clerk of the Court shall

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sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the, FRONT STEPS OF THE FRANKLIN COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 33 MARKET STREET, APALACHICOLA, FL 32320, 11:00 AM on the 21st day of Sept., 2011, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

Beginning at a point 60 rods South of the Northwest corner of Section 35, and from thence run East 40 rods, thence South 40 rods, thence West 40 rods, thence North along the West boundary lines of said Section, 40 rods, to the point of beginning; all of said land being in Section 35 Township 8 South, Range 8 West, in Franklin County, Florida. There is hereby expressly reserved from this conveyance a strip of land 15 feet wide, next to the west boundary line on which is located the public road leading to what is known as the Bay City Saw Mill. There is further expressly reserved from this conveyance a strip of land extending across the South side of the tract hereby conveyed containing 1 acre heretofore conveyed to Lloyd B. Smith

Less and except, however, the following:
(e) Two parcels conveyed to Fredrick G. Kimbo and Anita A. Kimbo, his Wife, recorded in Franklin County, "Official Records" Volume 94 at page 294, and Volume 110, at page 505; and
(l) A parcel conveyed to Jimmy C. Creamer and Carolyn T. Creamer, his Wife, recorded in Franklin County "Official Records" Volume 142, at page 534.

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

Dated the 27th day of July, 2011.

Submitted by:
Law Offices of Marshall C. Watson, PA,
1800 NW 49th Street
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Fort Lauderdale, FL 33309
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Aug 18, 25, 2011

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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

TO PROVIDE LABOR AND MATERIALS FOR INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS NEEDED TO FACILITATE THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE LANARK SOUTH LOOP EXTENSION.

The City of Carrabelle is receiving bids for construction of infrastructure improvements associated with the above project.

The contracting firm selected is to provide the necessary materials and labor for the infrastructure improvements necessary to facilitate the construction of the Lanark South Loop Extension.

Bid shall be addressed to the Carrabelle City Hall, 1001 Gray Ave., Carrabelle, FL 32322. All bids must be received by the Carrabelle City Hall prior to the bid deadline date and time to be considered. Envelopes containing bids shall be sealed and designated in writing on the outside of the package as follows: "Sealed Bid - Lanark South Loop Extension"

All bids must be submitted in triplicate. Any bids received after the specified time and date will not be considered. The sealed bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at the City of Carrabelle City Hall on Thursday, September 1, 2011 at 2:00 p.m.

The information for Bidders, Forms of Proposal, Form of Contract, Plans, Specifications, and Forms of Bid

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Bond, Performance and Payment Bond, and other contract documents may be examined, and copies provided at bidders expense of \$50, at Inovia Consulting Group, located at 930 Thomasville Road, Suite 200, Tallahassee, Florida 32303, phone 850-298-4213.

The City of Carrabelle reserves the right to waive any informalities or to reject any or all bids. The City of Carrabelle is an Equal Opportunity Employer. Each Bidder must deposit his/her security in the amount, form and subject to the conditions provided in the Information for Bidders. Sureties used for obtaining bonds must appear as acceptable according to the Department of Treasury Circular 570.

Aug 18, 25, 2011

35149T
NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Under Florida Statutes "Self Service Storage Facility" Act 83.801-83.809, Bluff Road Storage will sell for cash, to the highest bidder, the contents of the following storage units, on Friday, August 26, 2011. The public sale will be conducted at Bluff Road Storage, 1005 Bluff Road, Apalachicola, Florida at 9:00 a.m. Owner may redeem unit contents prior to sale date and time, CASH ONLY! Bluff Road Storage reserves the right to bid.

STORAGE UNIT #3
Colleen Hicks
Contents-Household

STORAGE UNIT #4
Sarina Williams
Contents-Household

STORAGE UNIT #106
Crystal Lemon
Contents-Household

STORAGE UNIT #126
Tracy Gamer
Contents-Household

STORAGE UNIT #127
Dakaya Floyd
Contents-Household
Aug 18, 25, 2011

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PUBLIC NOTICE

STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
NOTICE OF APPLICATION

The Department announces receipt of an application for an Environmental Resource Permit from the City of Apalachicola, File number File No: 19-0301773-002-EI, the project involves the construction of an open air market, restroom facilities, loading dock, boat repair facilities, a haul out slip, storm-water treatment facilities, parking area, sidewalks, dock extensions for temporary and permanent mooring, dock infill and extension to improve landside access to existing docks, and maintenance repair of mooring pile and finger piers within the existing Scipio Creek Boat Basin. This project is located at Market Street, Apalachicola, Section 36, Township 8 South, Range 8 West, Franklin County. This project is contiguous with Scipio Creek, Class III, Outstanding Waters of the State (Apalachicola National Estuarine Research Reserve).

This application is being processed and is available for public inspection during normal business hours, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except legal holidays, at the Northwest District, Tallahassee Branch Office at 3900 Commonwealth Blvd., Mail Station 55, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000, August 11, 2011

35177T
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 2ND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA.

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A.,
Plaintiff,

vs.

HATTAWAY, KEVIN L., et al.,
Defendants.

CASE No.:
19-2009-CA-000529

RE-NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order or Final Judgment entered in Case No. 19-2009-CA-000529 of the Circuit Court of the 2ND Judicial Circuit in and for FRANKLIN County, Florida, wherein, BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., Plaintiff, and, HATTAWAY, KEVIN L., et al., are Defendants, I will sell to the highest bidder for cash at, 33 MARKET STREET, FRONT STEPS OF THE COURTHOUSE, STE 203, APALACHICOLA, FL 32320, at the hour of 11:00 AM, on the 7th day of September, 2011, the following described property:

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LOT 5, BLUE WATER BAY, A SUBDIVISION AS PER MAP OR PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 7, PAGE 31 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA.

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

DATED this 26th day of July, 2011.

Marcia M. Johnson
Clerk Circuit Court

By: Michele Maxwell
Deputy Clerk
Aug 18, 25, 2011

35178T
IN THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 09-CA-0659

SUPERIOR BANK
Plaintiff,

vs.

JAMES A. DURHAM and PATRICIA J. DURHAM,
Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgement of Foreclosure dated April 11, 2011, and Order Resetting Sale dated Aug 8, 2011, entered in Civil Action No. 09-000659 CA of the Circuit Court of the Second Judicial Circuit in and for Franklin County, Florida, where-in the parties were the Plaintiff, SUPERIOR BANK and the Defendants, JAMES A. DURHAM and PATRICIA J. DURHAM, I will sell to the highest and best bidder, for cash, at 11:00 a.m. (Eastern Time) on the 21st day of September, 2011, at the front steps of the Franklin County Courthouse, Apalachicola, Florida, the following-described real property as set forth in said Final Judgment of Foreclosure:

LOT 3: Commence at a concrete monument marking the Northwest corner of Section 35, Township 8 South, Range 8 West, Franklin County, Florida, and thence run East 629.34 feet to a concrete monument, thence run South 00 degrees 09 minutes 08 seconds East 1050.00 feet, thence run East 30.00 feet, thence run South 00 degrees 09 minutes 08 seconds East 660.39 feet to a concrete monument, thence run South 11 degrees 16 minutes 46 seconds West 90.58 feet to a concrete monument, thence run South 41 degrees 52 minutes 00 seconds East 120.00 feet, thence run North 52 degrees 24 minutes 47 seconds East 515.40 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING; from said POINT OF BEGINNING continue North 52 degrees 24 minutes 47 seconds East 260.00 feet, thence run North 84 degrees 23 minutes 01 seconds East 170.95 feet to the Westery edge of Mitchell Creek, thence run along said creek's edge as follows: South 01 degrees 17 minutes 27 seconds West 61.63 feet, thence South 77 degrees 38 minutes 31 seconds West 71.43 feet, thence South 11 degrees 51 minutes 48 seconds East 23.15 feet, thence leaving said creek's edge run South 52 degrees 26 minutes 20 seconds West 309.52 feet; thence run North 29 degrees 41 minutes 36 seconds West 130.00 feet to the

POINT OF BEGINNING; SUBJECT TO a 10.00 access easement over and across a portion of the Westery part thereof;

DATED this 12th day of August, 2011.

HON. MARCIA JOHNSON
Clerk of the Clerk
Franklin County, Florida

By: Terry E. Creamer
As Deputy Clerk
Aug 18, 25, 2011

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AND ALSO LOT 4: Commence at a concrete monument marking the Northwest corner of Section 35, Township 8 South, Range 8 West, Franklin County, Florida, and thence run East 629.34 feet to a concrete monument, thence run South 00 degrees 09 minutes 08 seconds East 1050.00 feet, thence run East 30.00 feet, thence run South 00 degrees 09 minutes 08 seconds East 660.39 feet to a concrete monument, thence run South 11 degrees 16 minutes 46 seconds West 90.58 feet to a concrete monument, thence run South 41 degrees 52 minutes 00 seconds East 120.00 feet, thence run North 52 degrees 24 minutes 47 seconds East 515.40 feet, thence run South 29 degrees 41 minutes 36 seconds East 130.00 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING; from said POINT OF BEGINNING thence run North 52 degrees 26 minutes 20 seconds East 309.52 feet to the Westery edge of Mitchell Creek, thence run along said creek's edge as follows: South 11 degrees 51 minutes 48 seconds East 43.86 feet, thence South 24 degrees 36 minutes 48 seconds West 46.18 feet, thence South 17 degrees 36 minutes 28 seconds East 128.66 feet, thence South 61 degrees 22 minutes 24 seconds West 110.32 feet, thence South 42 degrees 51 minutes 46 seconds West 124.15 feet; thence leaving said creek's edge run North 29 degrees 41 minutes 36 seconds West 187.29 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING.

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Apalachicola, 345 Paradise Lane Fri & Sat 9-4

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Chimene Johnson, Principal
ABC School 98 12th Street,
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POSITIONS: Non-Instructional:
Lunchroom Assistant
Manager (1)
Lunchroom Worker (1)

LOCATION: Franklin County School and/or Franklin County Learning Center

SALARY: FCSB Salary Schedule
CONTRACT: 2011-12 School Year
DEADLINE: August 30, 2011, noon

Job description and application may be obtained from Franklin County School Board Finance Office. Applications must include (1) a high school diploma, (2) college transcripts if applicable, and (3) three letters of recommendation. Successful applicants must agree to a criminal history check (includes FDLE processing fee) and a drug screening at the Franklin County Public Health Unit. Please return applications to the attention of Morna Smith, personnel specialist. Franklin County School Board is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

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A new school year starting at The Nest

Special to The Times

The Nest after-school program will begin Monday, Aug. 29, which is the second week of school. A Franklin County School District 21st Century Community Learning Center, The Nest provides free academic instruction and enrichment classes for students in grades pre-kindergarten through 8, as well as educational opportunities for adult family members of regularly participating students.

Students will participate in art, technology, recreation, dance and fitness classes; receive help with their homework; and develop their reading, math and science skills, with instruction by certified teachers. A year-long service learning project will teach students to sew blankets, stuffed animals and other items for underprivileged children and families. Free snacks will be provided daily.

This year, The Nest's Franklin County School site will relocate to the Franklin County Learning Center, 85 School Road, Suite 1 in Eastpoint. Pre-

ENROLLMENT MEETING

All parents interested in enrolling their children in The Nest must plan to attend a short parent meeting at 6 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 25, at either the Learning Center or Carrabelle Municipal Complex sites. Meetings will be held in the cafeterias at both facilities. Topics will include Nest sign-in/out procedures, student attendance and discipline, as well as an overview of the 21st Century grant.



K students will enter the program immediately after the school's dismissal time. Students in grades K-8 will be bused to the Learning Center after the Franklin County School dismisses at 2:10 p.m. The Learning Center site will be open from 2 to 5:30 p.m. daily.

The Carrabelle Municipal Complex will remain a Nest site, with the program lasting from approxi-

mately 2:45-5:45 p.m. daily. Students from the Learning Center and Franklin County School will be bused to the site following school dismissal.

Registration forms will be available at both Learning Center and Franklin County School registration nights, as well as on our website, www.franklincountynest.org.

To view open positions at The Nest, visit the school district's website, www.franklincountyschools.org, and click on the link "Employment Opportunities."



COUNTY SWAT VISITS THE NEST

Special to The Times

On July 28, Franklin County SWAT was invited by the NEST Summer Program to educate youth on the dangers of tobacco use, to admonish them to stay away from candy-flavored tobacco products and to inform them about SWAT (Students Working Against Tobacco).

After rallying up the already excited crowd with anti-tobacco chants and music from some of our SWAT youth, David Walker, tobacco prevention specialist from the Franklin County Health Department, presented to the youth the different types of tobacco products and some interesting facts about each one.

He also conducted an audience participation of some of the NEST's

youth to test their knowledge of the different types of tobacco products. Some of the NEST's participants were somewhat knowledgeable on most of them: cigarettes, cigars, chew and dip. One of the Tobacco Prevention Team gave an update to the youth to beware of the latest kinds of flavored tobacco products that are now marketed such as Snus, Orbs and flavored toothpick-like tobacco sticks. They were told how Big Tobacco is masking the tobacco taste with different flavors to entice them to try them.

There was an anti-tobacco poster contest as well as different activities for the many SWAT members and NEST Program youth who attended. A great time was had by all that afternoon.

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