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Apalachicola ArtWalk Saturday

Fine art in all forms will be woven in and around downtown Apalachicola, where artists will be showing, selling and demonstrating their talents from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, March 24. Festivities continue into the afternoon with a progressive wine tasting and hors d'oeuvres from 3-5 p.m. In the evening, local chefs will prepare special dishes at their restaurants highlighting fresh local ingredients.

For more information, call 653-9419 or visit www.apalachicolabay.org.

Dixie Does Nashville this weekend

The Dixie Does Nashville will light up the Dixie Theatre with some of the most talented writers working in Nashville performing the hits they wrote for music legends like George Strait, The Dixie Chicks, Kenny Rogers, Rascal Flatts, Tim McGraw and Kenny Chesney.

Friday performers will be Holly Williams, daughter of Hank Williams Jr., and Sarah Buxton. Saturday's show will feature Mark Nesler, Corey Crowder and Ben Caver. Show times are at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$25. For more info, call the box office at 653 3200.

Bay Area Choral Society Sunday

Forty voices of the Bay Area Choral Society, directed by Merel Young with piano accompaniment by Janis Ramos, will present their spring program at 4 p.m. Sunday, March 25, in the historic Trinity Episcopal Church. This concert is one of the programs of the 24th season of the Ilse Newell Fund for the Performing Arts, under the auspices of the Apalachicola Area Historical Society. General admission is a \$5 donation, with students admitted free.

Holocaust art exhibit extended

The Holocaust art exhibit at the City of Carrabelle Complex, 1001 Gray Ave., has been extended through March 31. The Carrabelle Artists Association will continue to host the exhibit, with extended evening hours. Don't miss this group of 100 paintings and drawings by Nadia Werbitzky depicting the Holocaust in Russia and other aspects of Russian life. Admission is free.

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'Carrabelle cat' eludes searchers

Monster hunters find no evidence of mystery feline

By Lois Swoboda
Times Staff Writer

Monster hunters visited Tate's Hell this month in search of the 'Carrabelle cat' and found no

physical evidence of a large, unknown feline prowling the swamp.

Others believe their eyes over the evidence and dispute the visiting experts' findings.

On May 5, Carrabelle city commissioners invited a group of cryptobiologists, led by Scott Marlowe, author of 'Cryptid Creatures of Florida' to investigate reported sightings of a large black cat north of Carrabelle in Tate's Hell Swamp. Marlowe said this was the first time a government entity invited

cryptobiologists to investigate a cryptid, or unidentified, animal.

Carrabelle Commissioner Cal Allen, who made the motion to invite the expedition, said he took photographs and plaster casts of big cat tracks in the area and 'would like to get to the bottom of this mystery.'

On Feb. 2, the safari arrived in town. Marlowe was joined by his son Robert, who recently completed an internship at Panama City's Bear Creek Feline Center, as well

as Lee Hales and Ken Gerhard.

Gerhard has investigated reports of mysterious beasts around the world including Bigfoot and the Loch Ness Monster. In addition to appearing in three episodes of the television series 'MonsterQuest,' Gerhard is featured in the History Channel special 'The Real Wolf-man.'

His credits include appearances on 'Eyewitness News,' 'Coast

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HIGH-WIRE ACT



DAVID ADLERSTEIN | The Times

Workers for Dillard Smith, the Chattanooga, Tenn.-based company handling the transmission line work for Progress Energy, hang suspended about 90 feet over the water as they work atop one of the concrete poles spanning the river between Eastpoint and Apalachicola. The crew was 'pulling conductor,' which entailed fastening the insulator that connects the wire to the poles. A Progress spokesman said the work was to be completed March 20 and then activated with no disruption of service.



Massey to run for county commission

Special to the Times

William Massey has filed his letter of intent to seek election to the office of county commissioner for District 5.

Massey, 52, of 1002 Ave. D N.W. in Carrabelle, filed as a Democrat. He now is legally entitled to begin the process of getting petitions signed, with signatures due to the Supervisor of Elections office by noon May 7. Massey's name then would appear on the Aug. 14 primary ballot, provided he officially qualifies during the June 4-8 qualifying period.



WILLIAM MASSEY

In the event that only Democrats file for this office or any of the county offices, Republicans and those without party affiliation would be able to vote in any race that has candidates from only one political party, known as a 'universal' race.

The following is a statement issued by the candidate:

My name is William Massey, and I am a candidate for the office of County Commissioner District 5, Eastpoint and Carrabelle. I am a lifelong resident of Carrabelle, happily married to Denise Walden

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DAVID ADLERSTEIN | The Times

John Solomon holds the winning cup on behalf of the 10-4 BBQ team

Cookoff is 10-4

Sheriff's office tops Eastpoint ribfest

By David Adlerstein
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For the first time since they began competing four years ago, the sheriff's office emerged victorious Saturday at the 10th annual Eastpoint rib cookoff, topping a field of 16 entries.

'We were last in that competition the first time we did it. Four years ago we were at the bottom,' said Sgt. John Solomon, who headed up the 10-4 BBQ cooking crew.

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Photos by DAVID ADLERSTEIN | The Times

From left, Andrew Pruett and Jackie Rex enjoy some ribs. Kornbred's John Lolley plays guitar and David Palmer drums on Saturday, accompanied by vocalist Cathy Palmer and Brian Lolley on bass. Kendra MacMurrain's son Dylan, from Columbus, Ga., was all decked out for St. Patrick's Day Saturday. Below, Scott Payne works on ribs prepared by his Kickin' Ash team.

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"It just goes to show you the harder you work at it, you'll end up somehow on top," he said.

Joining him on the team were Sheriff Skip Shiver, Undersheriff Joel Norred, Lt. Bobby Shiver and Capt. Tommy Summerhill, while Sgt. David Varnes, who helped found the team, had to miss the event. Norred's wife, Susan, and Summerhill's wife, Cindy, worked the booth.

Best Rig honors also went to 10-4, which offered a variety of law enforcement-related aides, like bicycle locks, to the public while the ribs slowly cooked. "We do a type of rub that has sugar and paprika and different spices in it, and then smoke it for five hours," Solomon said.

Finishing in second place was the St. George Island Volunteer Fire Department, again captained by Chief Jay Abbott. The Kickin' Ash BBQ team from the 2k Web Group took third place,

their ribs the work of teammates Sterling Kendrick and Scott Payne. Loco BBQ received an honorable mention.

Eastpoint Fire Chief George Pruett said he was pleased with the turnout, which was steady, at times swelling, on the sunny day.

"I was very pleased; you couldn't have made me any happier," he said. "We had perfect weather.

"I was very impressed with the amount of people who came. It was better than last year's turnout, when they just filtered through all day."

All 10 judges for the cookoff were certified by the Kansas City BBQ society, granted after taking an intensive two-day seminar held at various locations throughout the Southeast. Jerry Thompson again served as lead judge.

Pruett estimated the event should bring in about \$18,000, about \$15,000 of that based on



receipts from Saturday. He said the Friday night auction preview at the firehouse also went well, with classic country and gospel songs crooned by George Creamer, Willard Vinson and Miles Creamer. The preview set

the stage for what turned out to be about \$2,000 earned at the silent auction Saturday. Pruett said organizers plan to consider holding the auction for longer hours next year.

A bevy of elected officials joined the firefighters and their families to work the sale of rib, chicken and pulled pork dinners all day long. "We've got that cooking the butts down to a science, better than ever before," Pruett said. "It went off without a hitch this year, which is rare."

Classic rock from the bands Kornbred and 90 Proof kept the crowd entertained all day. They also enjoyed the classic and antique car show, which was won by Ed Springer for his 1962 Corvette. Runner-up honors went to Chad Daughtry of Eastpoint for his 1972 Chevrolet Chevette, while third place went to Port St. Joe's Jean Faliski for a 1964 Plymouth Barracuda. Fourth

place went to Skip Shiver for his robin's egg blue antique Chevy Apache truck.

The crew who worked the Big Top Supermarket booth raised the most money for the department, \$1,132, and was the clear winner of the People's Choice award.

Solomon and Dawn Radford dueted it out for top honors in the Liar's Contest, and after Pruett tried numerous times to get a clear winner based on crowd applause, he gave up and named them dual winners.

Pruett said the monies raised will go to pay down the debt on a \$199,000 fully equipped multi-use fire truck the department bought last year.

He said event organizers also are considering giving entrants more time to prepare their ribs, so they could be due at 2 p.m. rather than the current noon deadline.

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## News BRIEFS

From staff reports

### Daughters of Confederacy meet Saturday

The United Daughters of the Confederacy, R. Don McLeod Chapter in Wakulla County invites neighbors in Franklin County to come to the meeting at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, March 24, at the Wakulla County Public Library, 4330 Crawfordville Highway, Crawfordville.

For more information, call Arlene at 850-962-2210.

### Cotton Exchange hosts local artists' works

On Second Saturday, March 10, the Center for History, Culture and Art, the former Cotton Exchange, hosted an evening reception to celebrate the opening of March's fine art exhibit to complement Art Walk 2012. The Trinity Episcopal Trio of Carol

Harris, Tom Adams and Randy Mims entertained with fabulous classical music.

The center is featuring the work of artists, Beth Appleton, Neal Smithwillow and Joe Kotzman, all of whom were present and mingled with many admirers. Each artist has works in private and public collections around the country and is exhibited internationally.

These artists will be on hand and sell their work during Saturday's Art Walk. The exhibit will run until Saturday, March 31.

### Tobacco-Free coalition meets March 28

There will be a Tobacco-Free Franklin Partnership Coalition meeting from 5:30-6:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 28, at the Franklin County Health Department, at 139 12th St., in the second-floor conference room.

For more information, call

Gina Moore at 653-2111, ext. 123, or email to Gina\_Moore@doh.state.fl.us.

### Elementary fall registration this afternoon

Franklin County Elementary School fall registration, for grades 1-5, will be from 4-6 p.m. Thursday, March 22, at the school.

### Carrabelle adds requirement for seeking variance

At their meeting March 1, Carrabelle city commissioners voted unanimously to require anyone seeking a variance from planning and zoning to present proof they have informed their neighbors in the form of a certified mail receipt.

City Administrator Courtney Millender said all adjacent property owners must be notified. The change

came at the request of Shirley Cox who was not present at the meeting.

Cox also asked the commission to hold a public discussion of "park models" similar to the ones installed at the Carrabelle Palms RV Resort. Park models are small, prefabricated cabins designed for use in campgrounds.

Millender said park models fall under the city's ordinance governing the use of recreational vehicles, even though they do not have wheels.

Carrabelle resident Gathana Parmenas told commissioners other Florida counties that have allowed installation of park models now regret doing so. She said "they are not moved; they become debris" when hurricanes strike.

Millender said that, in addition to the park models at Carrabelle Palms, others have been installed by private individuals on land they

own within the city limits. She said the owners frequently visit on weekends and add revenue to Carrabelle's economy.

Millender said that under the existing ordinance, the owners of park models may not reside in them for more than 14 consecutive days.

The city commission took no action on Cox's request for a public discussion.

By Lois Swoboda

### Riverkeeper hosts annual membership meeting March 31

All are welcome to the Apalachicola Riverkeeper's annual membership meeting from 2-4 p.m. Saturday, March 31, at the Apalachicola National Estuarine Research Reserve, 108 Island Drive, Eastpoint.

Special speaker is Matt Greene.

For more information, call 653-8936 or visit [www.ApalachicolaRiverkeeper.org](http://www.ApalachicolaRiverkeeper.org).

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# New Catholic initiative to fight poverty

By JOE TAYLOR  
Special to the Times

A new charitable initiative has pledged \$172,000 to fight the root causes of poverty in Franklin County.

Folks in Franklin County have seen their share of hard times and for some there are signs of prosperity in the future. But, the sad news is that a large percentage of our local population lives below the national poverty guideline, almost one out of every four adults and one out of every three children. Those are the most vulnerable. The reality is that even more of our neighbors are part of America's working poor, living paycheck to paycheck. The costs to live in our beautiful rural communities are higher than those of larger nearby cities. The situation seems insurmountable for many, but there is a proven national initiative that has begun to break the cycle, "Circles."

Through a gift from a private donor, Catholic Charities of Northwest Florida has contracted with Franklin's Promise Coalition to lead "Bridges to Circles Franklin." The regional initiative combines the research of

Dr. Ruby Payne, who gives insight into the challenges of poverty in her book "Bridges out of Poverty" with the community based approach of "Circles."

Sister Jeanne Drea, representing Catholic Charities of Northwest Florida, emphasizes that "Bridges to Circles Franklin" is not another program, but a broad-based collaboration, an effective strategy, and an easy-to-understand framework that helps the community better understand poverty while empowering individuals and families to activate their own potential.

The "Circles Campaign" is a transformational initiative that partners volunteers and community leaders with families wanting to make the journey out of poverty. Operating in communities around the country, each "Circles" initiative consists of families motivated to make life-changes and several middle and upper income Allies who befriend them and lend support. The family is the "Circle Leader," setting the direction for activities. With the help and friendship of their Allies, each family sets and achieves goals unique to their own needs.

Rather than targeting a surface need of our at-risk communities such as housing or food provision, "Circles" seeks to expand social capital by fostering relationships across racial and economic lines. It engages the community as a whole and encourages growth from people of all financial classes. "Circles" is designed to assist families in creating their own personal paths out of poverty while at the same time expanding opportunities and connections and eliminating barriers in the community that make it difficult for families to thrive.

## Volunteers needed for Guiding Circle

Here is how it will work. Carrabelle, Eastpoint and Apalachicola will each have a Circles community group that begins with Circle Leader Training, using a curriculum designed to develop leadership skills. During the training, participants assess their current relationships, resources and reason or purpose for making the necessary changes to escape from poverty permanently. It is during this time that Al-



LOIS SWOBODA | The Times

Joe Taylor and Sister Jean Drea, left, accepted a check for \$57,460 on Feb. 29 from Brunie Emmanuel and Christa Clark, far right, of Catholic Charities. This is the first installment of \$172,000 pledged to Franklin County's Circles to Bridges program.

lies are also attending training sessions that increase awareness of poverty issues within the families they will be matched with, as well as issues that affect the community as a whole. Both the Circle Leader and Ally Training curriculum teaches participants to better understand the "hidden rules" or "social norms" associated with class in the U.S. as well as how to build a long-term vision for their future, both individually as well as for the broader community.

Helping each family set and achieve goals unique to their own needs is the responsibility of Circle Allies, who are middle to upper

income community volunteers. Leaders and Allies meet in groups of three to five people monthly to build relationships, review goals, problem-solve barriers to getting out of poverty, such as improving self-sufficiency, expanding social networks, and enhancing academic performance of both children and parents.

The heart of the initiative is weekly community meetings that gather Circle Leaders, Circle Allies, and other interested community members to provide support and networking opportunities. Big View Meetings are held once per month and feature a discussion

of the causes of poverty in the community and how to remove systemic barriers that perpetuate poverty.

We are currently building the "Guiding Circle" to lead the "Bridges to Circles Franklin" initiative for the entire county. We need 15 to 25 people who are committed to fighting poverty in our area. So far the response has been very positive. People understand that something must change. If we can impact poverty, break the cycle and work together as a community to address housing, education and personal health, then everyone can share in the success and reap the benefits.

The funding provided by Catholic Charities will cover the cost of "Coaches" for each community, training for Circle Leaders, Allies and staff, food and supplies for weekly meetings, community organization and education about the effects of poverty.

If you would like to learn more, please contact Franklin's Promise Coalition at 653-3930.

Joe Taylor is the executive director of Franklin's Promise Coalition.

# Philaco revives fourth grade essay contest

In 2011, the Philaco Women's Club Education Committee revived an old custom to the delight of local educators by sponsoring an essay contest for fourth graders.

The youngsters were asked to write about an adult they know who has had a big effect on their lives.

More than 70 essays were submitted by children attending the Franklin County School, the First Baptist Christian School and the Apalachicola Bay Charter School.

A group of volunteers poured over the compositions through the holiday season and, with great difficulty, picked three winners and awarded seven honorable mentions.

Chloe Owens, who studies with Laura King at the Franklin County School, took first place with an essay about her grandpa. She will receive a check for \$50.

Second place went to Mathew Gay, who is in Marie Lee's class at the ABC School. His essay about his father won him a \$30 prize.

Abner Ramirez, who is in Donna Barber's class at the Franklin County School,

will receive \$20 for his third-place essay about his hard-working mom.

Honorable mentions went to Jocelyn Medley who studies with Richie White at the First Baptist School; Franklin County School students Dyna Edgecomb (Lynn Clark), Takiah Ford (Gretchen Hedman), K.T. Nessly (Laura King) and Cale Barber (Donna Barber). ABC School students Cade Juno (Marie Lee) and Alyssa Robinson (Lindsey Bockelman) were given honorable mentions.

The members of the education committee want to thank everyone who entered the contest and commend the teachers and students for their good work. The committee will be visiting the schools in the near future to present the winners with a certificate and a prize.

## First place - Chloe Owens

Every kid should be lucky enough to have a grandpa that plays checkers with you, takes you fishing, and teaches you how to cook.

Let me begin by telling you about when he plays

checkers with me. I'm always red and papa is always black. We set it up and start playing. He goes first and tries to jump me. Then it was my turn. I moved close to his player. Then it was his turn again. He jumped me. By that time, the game was over. I lost. I remember the times my talented grandpa played games with me. He smokes me at checkers every time.

Let's move on to when my papa takes me fishing. We load the tackle box and poles. Then we hop in the truck, buckle up and drive to the bait and tackle shop. We get a bucket of worms and head off to Casher Creek. We grab our poles and hook a slippery and oily worm onto our poles. We cast them out. Then I see grandpa reeling in a big bass. I reeled one up. It was olive green. We headed home and had some bass for dinner. I remember the time my grandpa took me fishing because we saved one bass and got it stuffed. It is hanging on our wall right now.

I want to be sure to tell you about when he taught me how to cook. He gets some eggs and milk out. Then we get a bowl and

crack the eggs. I pour the milk. Then I get a whisk to stir the eggs and milk. We turn the stove on low and pour the eggs in. Papa says, "Let it sit for about 1 minute. Then start moving it around with a spatula." We let it cook for about five minutes and put salt and pepper on it. Yum, yum. I remember the time my grandpa taught me how to cook because we were stuffed.

I'll always remember the time my grandpa taught me how to cook, took me fishing, and played checkers with me. When any time my mom says it's time to visit my grandpa, I say, "Hallelujah."

## Second place - Mathew Gay

Do you have someone interesting in your life? I do and he is my dad Donnie Gay. Let me tell you why he is interesting.

My dad is always saying huge words. I can barely understand what he is saying so I always say "What does that mean?" Then he will give me the definition of the word. Sometimes I get annoyed and just walk away but I learn new words just

about every day. For example, one time he said "I have a plethora of vocabulary." Now I know plethora means a wide variety.

He also can draw very good. One time he drew a self-portrait of me and my sister. He covered to the shoes on my feet to the dark brown hair on my head. He also drew T-Rex before he looked awesome.

My dad also knows the words to a lot of songs. My dad doesn't have the best voice but he sure does know the words. Just this morning he sang the whole song of "Have a Merry Little Christmas." He did not miss one word.

I think my dad is so interesting. I hope you think that too. He is interesting because he says big words, can draw and he knows the words to a lot of songs.

## Third place - Abner Ramirez

My favorite elder is my mom. The reasons why my mom's my favorite are: she is a very hard worker, she is the best mom ever and she is a good cook.

One of the things that I

admire my mom for is that she is a very hard worker. I admire her so much because she breaks her back working for us to have what we want that's why I'm very thankful to her for everything she has done for my brothers and I.

Another thing that I admire my mom for is that she is the best mom ever because she gets us whatever we want like toys or video games, that's why my brother and I think my mom is the best of them all, and she thinks we are the best sons any mother could ever have. So my brothers and I love her for that.

Last but not least, I admire my mom the most because she is the greatest cook that I know, I admire her cooking because everything she cooks is delicious, like the vegetable soup she makes is so delicious that I would eat it all the time. One more thing though not only her cooking is good her heart is good that's why my brothers and I love her so much.

You can be sure that I will never forget all the things my mom has done for us.



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# Automated catalogs on the brain

By CATY GREENE  
Special to the Times

Many of you know that I am in library school at Florida State University. This semester I am taking a course on Information Organization, about library catalogs and the way that "information" is organized in them. You probably also know that the Apalachicola library is about halfway through its automation process. When all is said and done, we will have a web site which offers patrons and others information access to our collections without ever coming to the library.

The Franklin County Public Library has a website where you can search their collections and if you have a library card from them, you can even reserve a book, or DVD (we don't even have DVDs, never mind a website, but we will some day). They can be found at [www.franklin.lib.fl.us](http://www.franklin.lib.fl.us) You click on

the "online catalog" button, select one of their two sites (Eastpoint or Carrabelle) and you're off to the races.

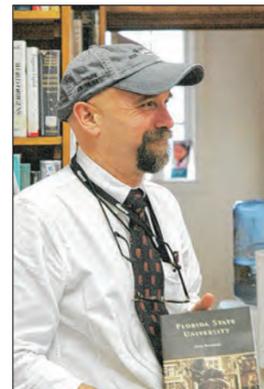
What I really wanted to talk about however, is WorldCat ([www.worldcat.org](http://www.worldcat.org)). Along with the Library of Congress, WorldCat is the largest accumulation of books and other materials imaginable and if you find one book on a topic, it lets you click on a link which shows you other resources (books or eBooks or video or audio) based on the topic, or the author or a person in the original resource. It is mind-boggling.

Type in "ghost orchid" and other tales from the swamp" as a title and WorldCat will tell you that you can find it at six libraries close to the zip code 32320. The Apalachicola library just bought a copy, but our holding will not be in this catalog for a while. You can click on the author, Doug Alderman, who gave a nice talk at the

Maritime Museum last Saturday and get the list of all his books, and even some articles he has written for "American Forests" or "Wildlife Conservation." You can click on subjects including "Legends - Florida" and get 57 other resources of all types. Believe me, this can be very fun, and addictive for booklovers. Try it out and see what the world of online catalogs have to offer.

For the serious researcher, there is a subscription version of WorldCat which covers a lot more library catalogs, it is accessible through the Florida Electronic Library, but that's for another column.

I would like to thank, in closing, all those who participated in the "Envisioning" event we had last Thursday. We had more than 50 people, introduced some librarians that you might not know and talked about the future of the Apalachicola library. If you were not able to join us, or you escaped without filling out our short survey, please



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Eddie Woodward, the Florida State University heritage protocol archivist, shared details of the new history of the campus he has authored through Arcadia Press.

come by the library to get one, and we thank you for your support.

Caty Greene is the librarian for the Apalachicola Municipal Library. To reach her, call 653-8436.

# Arrest REPORT

The following report is provided by the Franklin County Sheriff's Office. Arrests in this report were made by officers from the Apalachicola Police Department (APD), Franklin County Sheriff's Office (FCSO), Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) and Florida Highway Patrol (FHP). All defendants are considered innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

**March 12**  
Dominic W. Rotella, 26, Eastpoint, violation of probation (FCSO)

**March 13**  
Mark A. Smith, 47,

Eastpoint, failure to appear (FCSO)

**March 14**  
Michael A. Rodriguez, 25, West Covina, Calif., retail theft (FCSO)  
Gregory B. Sage, 24, Eustis, DUI and refusal to submit to breath test (FHP)

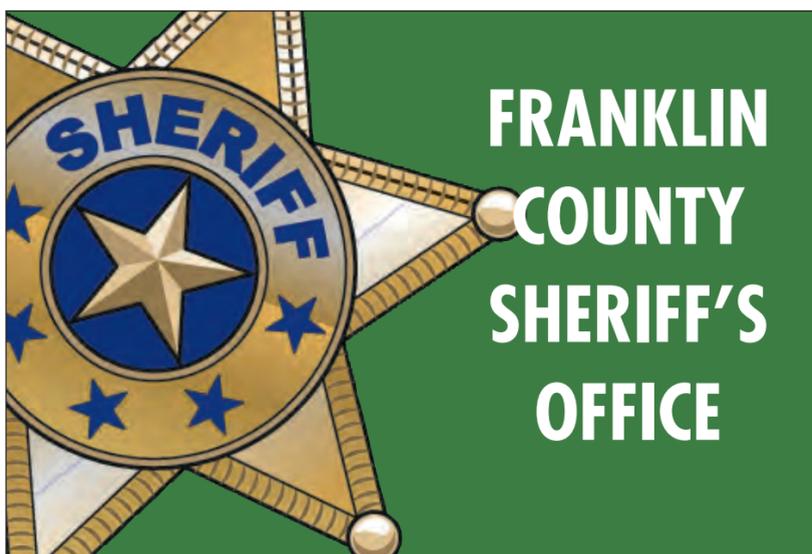
Earl R. Hughes, 28, Apalachicola, violation of probation (APD)  
Michael G. Hicks, 30, Eastpoint, domestic battery (FCSO)

**March 15**  
Gary Fritz, 65, Alligator Point, bond revocation for charge of cultivating cannabis (FCSO)

**March 17**  
Alan W. Eddy, 21, Apalachicola, reckless driving (FCSO)  
Micah A. Rapack, 26, Eastpoint, sale or possession of a controlled substance with intent to sell within 1000 feet of a school, and failure to appear (FCSO)

**March 18**  
Erin M. Murphy, 34, Tallahassee, boating under the influence (FWC)

**March 19**  
Micah A. Rapack, 26, Eastpoint, sale or possession of a controlled substance with intent to sell within 1000 feet of a church (FCSO)



## FWC locates missing boaters in two searches

By STAN KIRKLAND  
Special to the Times

Every day of the year literally hundreds of anglers, hunters and others who enjoy the outdoors, head out for a day of recreation and away from suburbia, to some of the state's most remote places. However, on occasion things go wrong and they need help.

The following stories, illustrate why it is vital to tell someone where you are going when you head out for a day or even a few hours in the wilds.

That's when Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) law enforcement officers usually get a call for help. That was the case earlier this month when officers rescued three people in back-to-back incidents on the lower Apalachicola River area.

In the first incident March 8, an Apalachicola woman called at about 8 p.m. and reported her 65-year-old husband was

overdue from a day-long fishing trip. FWC Lt. Charlie Wood said they quickly found the husband's truck and boat trailer at Abercrombie Boat Ramp on the Jackson River, off Bluff Road in Apalachicola. The wife told officers where she thought her husband had gone fishing.

After requesting other officers to assist in the search, Wood and another officer launched from the same ramp. Twenty minutes later they found the husband one mile upriver, with motor troubles.

"He could put the motor in gear and go a few feet, but then he had to take it out of gear, and repeat the process. It was taking him a long time to get back to the landing," Wood said.

The officers towed him back to the landing and a grateful reunion with his wife.

Two days later on March 10, a Liberty County father called around 10:30 p.m. and reported his daughter and son-in-law

*"He could put the motor in gear and go a few feet, but then he had to take it out of gear, and repeat the process. It was taking him a long time to get back to the landing."*

Charlie Wood

were overdue from their fishing trip on the Apalachicola River. The young couple had reportedly launched on Owl Creek, south of Sumatra.

Within an hour officers, assisted by the Franklin County Sheriff's Office, were searching Owl Creek and the Apalachicola. The search continued through the night. Officers found the uninjured pair around 8:30 the next morning.

"They were OK but were cold," Wood said. After running out of gas, the couple spent the night huddled on the bow of an unoccupied house boat.

The husband summed things up pretty succinctly when he told Wood, "We didn't have a peaceful night. I don't think my wife is happy with me right now."

They, too, got a tow back to the landing.

Wood said in both incidents the search was made easier by someone knowing which boat landings the boaters were using, where they were headed and when they were expected to return.

"That gives us a place to start and saves time," Wood said. "That helps us more than you can believe."

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Date: March 31, 2012

Time: 11:00 am

Location: Holy Family Community Center  
6th Street  
Apalachicola, FL

For further information, call (850) 431-4226 option 7

#### Get Screened

Regularly scheduled colorectal screening tests are recommended beginning at age 50, however, if you have known risk factors such as family history of colon cancer or polyps, colon cancer syndromes, or are African-American, you may need to be screened earlier and more frequently.



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## Birth



### Adam McCullough born

Adam Lee McCullough was born Wednesday, Dec. 7, 2011, at Tallahassee Memorial Hospital. He weighed 6 pounds, 15 ounces and was 19.75 inches long. He is the son of Amber McCullough of Apalachicola. Maternal grandmother is Donna Mathes of Carrabelle. Maternal great-grandparents are Winston and Alberta Bellew of Apalachicola.



# Wandering Star celebrates 40 years in stitches

By Lois Swoboda  
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lswoboda@starfl.com

Lanark Village's lady quilters are planning something different for this year's quilt show.

This year's show, the 20th quilt show for the Wandering Star Quilters, will take place at Chillas Hall from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. March 31. The shows occur in even-numbered years.

The quilters are planning an old-timey affair with quilts displayed on antique furniture. The show is dedicated to the late Gail Bohannon of Sopchoppy, a Wandering Star for many years and a member of the Wakulla County Quilters Guild. Her quilts will be showcased at this year's show.

No vendors will be on hand this year, but there will be hand-stitched treasures created by the Wandering Stars on sale.

As always, a lovely quilt will be raffled the day of the show. The pattern is "pinwheels," a traditional favorite. All fabric was donated, and each pinwheel is a different pattern. The quilt fits a full- or queen-sized bed.

Tickets are available from



LOIS SWOBODA | The Times

Members of the Wandering Star Quilters display the quilt to be raffled off March 31.

Wandering Stars and cost \$1 or six for \$5. Proceeds go to fund club projects and defray the cost of the quilt show.

Hot dogs and soft drinks will be on sale outside of Chillas Hall. The show is free and open to the public.

The Wandering Stars, known for their charitable endeavors, have adopted the Harbor Breeze Assisted Living Facility in Carrabelle and present every new patient with a lap

rug. They also stitch birthday gifts for residents and visit the home once a month with cookies or ice cream.

They also stitch "cruiser quilts" for the sheriff's department. The lap quilts are given to victims of accidents and violent crime, especially children.

The quilters also have provided quilts to numerous charities to be used in fundraisers.

## Wedding



### Karen Wert, Phillip Wingo to wed Saturday

Karen Wert of Apalachicola and Phillip Wingo of Natchitoches, La., will be married at 4 p.m. this Saturday, March 24, at First Baptist Church in Apalachicola. A reception will follow at the Fort Coombs Armory in Apalachicola.

The bride, daughter of Carl and Audrey Wert of San Rafael, Calif., graduated from Terra Linda High School and Gulf Coast State College and is employed by KaKo Bookkeeping Company.

The groom, son of John and Wilma Wingo of Natchitoches, La., graduated from Natchitoches Central High School and Louisiana State University. He is employed by Worley Co. Catastrophe Insurance Adjusters.

The bride and groom met in Apalachicola during the Gulf coast oil spill. They will be honeymooning in Las Vegas and California and will make their home in Apalachicola.

# Bay Area voices to perform Fauré 'Requiem' Sunday

Special to the Times

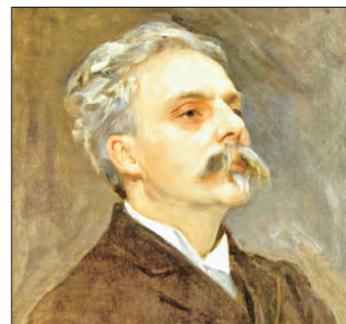
Forty voices of the Bay Area Choral Society, directed by Merel Young with piano accompaniment by Janis Ramos, will present their spring program at 4 p.m. Sunday, March 25, in the historic Trinity Episcopal Church.

"The Requiem" by Gabriel Fauré will comprise about half of the concert, with the other half made up of familiar choruses and solos appropriate for this period of Lent.

Soloists performing will be Bill Crane, a winter visitor from Canada, Gordon Adkins and Leslie Coon, both well known by local residents, plus

Virginia Harrison and Young in a duet. Choruses to be performed will be "The Heavens Are Telling" from "Creation" by Franz Joseph Haydn, "God So Loved the World" from "The Crucifixion" by John Stainer, "The Holy City" by Stephan Adams, "Open Our Eyes" by William MacFarlane, "Cantique de Jean Racine" by Faure and "The Lord Bless You and Keep You" by Peter Lutkin.

This concert is one of the programs of the 24th season of the Ilse Newell Fund for the Performing Arts, under the auspices of the Apalachicola Area Historical Society. General admission is a \$5 donation, with students admitted free.



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This portrait of Gabriel Fauré was painted by John Singer Sargent in 1889.

# Help clean up the village Saturday

Didn't see you at the lunch last Thursday! We had our corned beef and cabbage, and a lot of us wore green. You should try to join us at the Franklin County Senior Citizen Center, 201 Ave. F in Carrabelle, every Thursday. Serving begins at noon.

And another thing — after Holy Family Catholic Church in Apalachicola was closed, the building was used for preschool and as a branch of the Franklin County Senior Center. The board meetings were held here at the center in Carrabelle.

We all got a big surprise at the pancake breakfast last Saturday, March 17. Walked through the door of the boat club, and there was our very own Carol Dadona collecting the donations. She is using crutches now and coming along fine.

Tonight, March 22, there will be a free movie at Chillas Hall. The doors will open at 6:30 p.m., and the

movie, a 2010 documentary called "What If Cannabis Cured Cancer," will start at 7 p.m. After the movie there will be a question-and-answer period. Mary Lynn Mathre and Al Byrne will answer your questions. Mary Lynn is a registered nurse. The movie is sponsored by the nonprofit Patients Out of Time.



LANARK NEWS  
Jim Welsh

Village Clean-Up day is this Saturday, March 24. Meet you at the Gene Sewell Park at 8 a.m. Trash bags and gloves will be provided. Then at 11 a.m., you're welcome to have lunch at Chillas Hall. There will be Reuben sandwiches and sides, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Donation of \$6. Yum, yum.

Pizza on Sundays can be found at Camp Gordon Johnston American Legion Post 82 here in the village. Eat-in or take-out. Pizza by the slice is \$1. For a whole pizza, eat-in is \$8 and take-out is \$10. Serving begins

at 5 p.m.

We still have hamburgers and chips at Camp Gordon Johnston American Legion Post 82. While you are enjoying the food, have some fun playing bar bingo, pulltabs, a game of pool or shuffleboard — or just enjoy the company of your friends and neighbors. Donation for the hamburger and chips is \$6.

March 31 will be a busy day! The annual Spring Bazaar will be held at the Lanark Village Boat Club from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Lunch is available. And from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. is the 20th annual quilt show at Chillas Hall. Lunch available outside. Chances on a beautiful quilt will be available for \$1 each, or six for \$5.

Be kind to one another, check in on the sick and housebound, and keep smiling — you may not feel any better, but everyone else will wonder what you're up to!

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

# PET OF THE WEEK

Franklin County Humane Society

## LAB PUPPIES!



We have five 8-week-old Labrador retriever puppies, three females and two males. They are everything a lab puppy should be - playful, social and cuter than cute. Come meet them at the adoption center or in front of Petunia's during the Art Walk this Saturday! Volunteers are desperately needed to socialize these five pups 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. Anytime 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 logon to the website at [www.forgottenpets.org](http://www.forgottenpets.org) to see more of our adoptable pets.

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## Cards of THANKS

### Duggar and Mallon families

Our families would like to send our heartfelt thank-you to everyone who expressed concerns and kept us in their prayers and hearts during our illnesses and surgeries. The many phone calls, cards and flowers meant so much to us. A special thanks to those of you who provided meals when we returned home.

We are doing well and on the road to recovery. We live in a loving and concerned community.

Earl Duggar and Family  
Sabrina Mallon and Family

### Robbie Johnson

Thanks to all my wonderful family and friends, Dr. Sanaullah

and his staff, and all the individual churches and congregations for their prayers, visits and telephone calls. The heart bypass surgery went well, and my recovery is moving along. Our community's kindness will be remembered.

Robbie Johnson

### Segree reunion

Thank you to everyone who came this year. 2011 was a bad year, and everyone put out extra effort for a very successful reunion. Special thanks to the "The Segree Boys" — they never fail with the mullet. Also to the Boys in the Band. We'll see you next year, same place, same time and same day.

Love to everyone,

Inez

### Dorothy Rolstad family

No words could express our gratitude for the heartfelt care that was shown to our "Dannaw" over the last five years of her life. Only God could've provided such loving caregivers as Paula Stanley, Jean Nabors, Viola Fuller, Lois and Collie Watkins, Barry Bloodworth and many others, who tirelessly worked around the clock to tend to her every need.



A special thanks to the kind volunteers with Meals On Wheels and the countless friends, neighbors and community members who offered their love, support, visits, prayers — and food! And we certainly couldn't have done it without the professional, yet personal treatment by the amazing staff at Big Bend Hospice, St. James, Weems Memorial Hospital and Harbor Breeze, organizations to which we owe eternal appreciation. They say "it takes a village" — and the last years of Dot's life were certainly representative of why she loved this little town so much.

Our sincerest thank you,

Bobby, Valerie, Krista and Bryan Miller

### In memory of Dorothy Rolstad

Wal-Mart, Bingo, Bonco and QVC...  
Pool parties, island nights, casinos and Christmas trees...  
Cooking, shopping, crafting and traveling...  
These were just a few of Dorothy's favorite things.

I'm confident every person  
Remembering Dorothy today  
Has cherished Dot-filled memories,  
Be it work or school or play...

She wore an enormous, joyful smile  
That would light up any room  
Her home was always filled with love  
And anything that bloomed

Her quirky personality  
Kept us all in laughter  
You never knew what she'd do next  
Or what she might say after

She challenged every salesman  
To duels she never lost  
And by the time she left the store  
They'd sold it to her at cost  
Dot handled every fundraiser  
With enthusiasm for profit  
She didn't ask if you wanted a ticket  
She'd say "let me see your wallet"

Her approach to everything she did in life  
Was full steam ahead  
With an energy and endless strength  
That most of us wish we had

Her unconditional love  
Was something to be admired  
And the love she had of her beloved Roy  
Was one that never tired

We will miss her 'til eternity  
There will never be another Dot  
But when it comes to memories  
She left us with a lot

Today we celebrate an amazing woman  
Who loved everyone she knew  
Now Roy finally has his "Baby Doll" back  
And knowing that should carry us through.

We love you Dannaw...

# Mentors give a push to overcome weakness

Challenges are as much a part of life as breathing, stretching you past the limit of your abilities. A person who desires to get in shape must endure physical resistance which is painful and requires determination. A person who starts a new job must learn the requirements for the position. A student who desires to further his education must take harder courses that create a heavier workload. Someone who longs to live a devout Christian life must endure temptations, judgment and persecution.

Truth is, we oftentimes desire the results of the challenge, yet we despise the sacrifice required to reach the goal. We learn through life's obstacles that tackling a problem head-on will teach us perseverance, purpose and self-sufficiency. Cutting corners is an indication of impatience and lack of self-discipline. Engaging the hurdle versus going around it prepares us for the next obstacle, which might be harder to overcome.

Former Dallas Cowboys Coach Tom Landry said, "The job of a football coach is to make men do what they don't want to do, in order to achieve what they've always wanted to be." When I was in high school, I had two teachers that were what I call "pushers." Mrs. Ponder was my Algebra I and II teacher. Mrs. Susan Galloway was my English and literature teacher for several years, including English 101. She was also my drama teacher. Both of these teachers were no-nonsense during class time, and neither gave one point that was not earned.

Mrs. Galloway would rest her pen against her nose while raising one brow as she glared over her glasses with a look of disdain toward



YOUTH MATTERS  
Scott and Pamela Shiver

a disruptive student. The student would immediately snap to attention (if he knew what was good for him). Mrs. Ponder might have been small in stature, but she had a way of maintaining order in her classroom. Because I was earning credits toward an academic diploma, I was stuck in their classes with no means of escape. I felt like I would be better suited in another (less disciplined) class, but my guidance counselor did not agree. I had potential, but I usually chose the path of least resistance.

I remember one time when Mrs. Ponder asked me to stay after class. I was not performing well, and she told me she believed I could do better and offered to help me after school. You would not believe what a difference it made just to know she cared. Math was not my best subject, but I tried really hard to do better. I see her frequently around town, and she never fails to speak and ask me how I am doing. She does not seem at all to be the tyrant I thought she was when I was a teenager.

Thanks to Mrs. Galloway, I have a pet peeve that is deeply engrained in me. Spelling errors jump off the

page when I read other people's work, and it is all I can do to avoid correcting them. I could never "get" Shakespeare, so I had to rely on spelling tests to recover my grades. I doubt she could look at my work 25 years ago and imagine that I would be a columnist in the newspaper. Every week, I edit my articles, imagining her writing in red ink all over the newspaper page, pointing out my errors. I occasionally see her in the post office or the grocery store, and I feel a strong desire to ask her if my articles pass her inspection. Her Southern charm has not faded over the years. She is sweet and kind and does not appear at all to be the troll I once thought she was.

Both teachers pressed me further than I was applying myself to go. They saw a potential in me that I was not capable of seeing in myself. If they had of given me an easy grade, I would have gladly accepted it. They refused to lower their standards, and I had no choice but to raise my standards to meet theirs.

It is funny how perspective changes over time with maturity. I am thankful for mentors in my life who taught me challenges produce perseverance. They did not give me a crutch or a means of escape that I might defer the test, but they gave me the extra push I needed to overcome my personal weaknesses. Through those mentors, I learned the life lesson that I should be willing to confront discomfort, distraction and doubt and act in spite of them with persistence and purpose.

We welcome all suggestions and hope you enjoy this weekly column. Please send all emails to Scott Shiver at [frontline247@mac.com](mailto:frontline247@mac.com)

## Obituaries

### Agnes Carol Smith

Agnes Carol Smith, 82, of Fenton, Mo., passed away Wednesday, March 14, 2012.

Mrs. Smith was born on Jan. 9, 1930, in Apalachicola to Rev. Homer Harris and wife Hazel nee Kirwin. On April 4, 1947, she was united in marriage to Leonard V. Smith in Apalachicola. She was a member of the Christian Assembly Church in Millstadt, Ill., where she was involved in the church music department for many years.

She was the loving mother of one son and four daughters, Carol and husband, Tony



AGNES CAROL SMITH

Raia, Patsy and husband, Frank Melton, Jackie and husband, Marc Edens, Stephen and wife, Julie, and Lisa and husband, John May; 10 grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren. Also surviving her are three sisters, Charlotte and husband, Paul Edwards, Louise and husband, Aubrey Jernigan, and Eunice Allen and husband, Joe Adelman, along with many other relatives and friends.

Donations in lieu of flowers may be made to The American Cancer Society at <http://main.acevents.org/goto/AgnesCarolSmith>.

### Mabel Teague Kilner

Mabel Teague Kilner, age 102, of Tallahassee, died Sunday, March 18, 2012.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. on Monday, March 26, at The First United Methodist Church of Apalachicola, with a private burial at Magnolia Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to The First United Methodist Church of Apalachicola, P.O. Box 476, Apalachicola, FL 32329 or to Trinity United Methodist Church for the ministry of "Helping Each Other," 120 Park Ave. W., Tallahassee, FL 32301.

A native of Apalachicola, she lived in Tallahassee since 1937. She graduated

from the Florida State College for Women, was a member of Sigma Kappa Sorority, Trinity Methodist Church, BA Chapter of P.E.O., the Camellia Garden Club and the Capital City Country Club.

Mabel was preceded in death by her husband, George S. Kilner.

Survivors include her brother, Sam Teague (Myra), Tallahassee; daughters, Kitty (Corky) Angleman of Evans, Ga., Merry Harper (Harry), Augusta, Ga., and Cindy Baker (Doug), Spartanburg, S.C.; six grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

Culley's MeadowWood Funeral Home has charge of arrangements.

## Faith BRIEFS

Short at 927-2569.

### Nicaragua Mission fundraiser Saturday

The Nicaragua Mission team from the Apalachicola/St. George Island United Methodist Churches is having a fundraiser Saturday, March 24, at the St. George Island church. Delicious shrimp corn chowder, homemade cornbread and key lime pie will be served. Entertainment will be provided by Adam and Samantha Cannon. The time is 6:30 p.m.; \$10 donation. For more info, call Mary Lou

### Sheriff plans April 7 Easter egg hunt

The Franklin County Sheriff's Office will host the annual Easter Egg Hunt at noon April 7 on the field adjacent to the Sheriff's Office on U.S. 65. All kids are invited to come out and participate in a wonderful day of egg hunting, with lots of prizes to be given away. The sheriff's office will be grilling hot dogs for the occasion free of charge. Come out and enjoy the fun!

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Southern blue flag

## Buds and Bugs: Irises in the wild

By LOIS SWOBODA  
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Irises in bloom can be spotted across the Panhandle now, in creeks, ponds and even ditches.

Most iris flowers have three drooping sepals or "falls" and three upright petals sometimes referred to as the "standard." The whole flower is referred to as a perianth.

Of the two species of showy blue iris in glorious full bloom, Southern blue flag (*Iris virginica*) is the more common of the two. It is often pale blue but specimens occur ranging from white to deep purple. The "falls" are longer and more prominent than the "standard." You can spot these on the property at Rivercrest Lodge and west of Apalachicola on US 98.

In the pond in front of Apalachicola's Orman House, Louisiana iris (*Iris hexagona*) is putting on a show. This plant is characterized by a zigzag flower stalk.

Unlike the popular cultivated bearded iris, both of these plants like very wet feet. They grow from thick, fleshy roots called rhizomes and are easily propagated by root cuttings. But, if you must collect wild iris, be careful not to take the entire plant. Leave something for the rest of us to enjoy. Cultivars of both plants are commercially available.

The Orman pond contains another iris in bloom right now, yellow *Pseudocorus*, a native of Europe. While this is an attractive flower, beware. It is an invasive species and literally poisons the area where it grows for other garden flowers.

Many iris rhizomes contain toxic substances and home cures involving parts of the iris plant should be avoided. Consumption of iris rhizomes can cause nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, and skin irritation, but poisonings are not normally fatal.

In Greek mythology, Iris was the messenger of the gods, who led young girls to a premature place in the underworld. In the language of flowers irises represent a warning to be heeded. It also symbolizes lost love and silent grief. The fleur-de-lis is a stylized iris.

## Help wanted for butterfly preservation

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The Wilderness Coast had a couple of interesting visitors this month, when volunteers Ilse Gebhard and Russ Schipper traveled here to monitor monarch butterfly activity this winter.

The pair are part of the Monarch Larva Monitoring Project of the University of Minnesota, which has volunteers from across the United States and Canada collect long-term data on larval monarch populations and milkweed habitat.

The main goal of the project is to better understand how and why monarch populations vary in time and space, with a focus on monarch distribution and abundance during the breeding season in North America.

Gebhard said information about this year is especially important because of the mild winter.

Every year, populations of monarch migrate south to

overwinter in Mexico and the Florida Keys and there are always a few stragglers that attempt to overwinter along the Gulf Coast farther north.

This year, the number of stragglers is unusually large and, more importantly, researchers believe the monarchs are reproducing in these northern outposts. They are seeking documentation of those brightly colored snowbirds and their offspring.

Monitoring can be done alone or with others. Training is available online at [www.mlmp.org](http://www.mlmp.org), where you can register as a monitor or report a sighting.

MLMP would like to know about both butterflies and caterpillars. Make a note of the location, date, number of monarchs and their stage (eggs, caterpillar, butterfly), the species of milkweed for feeding caterpillars and anything else you think is interesting.

If you have questions, email Karen Oberhauser at [oberh001@umn.edu](mailto:oberh001@umn.edu).



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A monarch caterpillar crawls on milkweed on Christmas Eve.



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## Don't miss St. Vincent's open house

Special to The Times

The most popular event held on St. Vincent Island is happening this month. This year, the annual Open House on St. Vincent Island will take place from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. ET Friday, March 30 (rain date April 20). This is a chance to experience the beauty of St. Vincent Island and learn more about what goes on at this wildlife refuge and other nearby natural areas. Free transportation to the island will be provided from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. The refuge barge will pick up visitors at the USFWS barge dock which is located a short distance north-east of the Indian Pass boat ramp. The barge also will provide free transportation back to the mainland at Indian Pass until 3 p.m. There will be a limit of 250 visitors on the island for this event.

There will be guided walks and educational tours of the island plus several guided wagon tours. Visitors can sign up for the wagon tour and other guided events when they reach the island or they can explore the island on their own. Visitors signing up for tours can only sign up for themselves. Some of the guided activities include birding walks, beach walks, photography safaris, and hiking tours. In the outdoor amphitheater, created by placing folding chairs under one of the island's huge live oaks, there will be a presentation by the St. Mark's NWR staff called "Whooping Cranes and More Talk."

The Supporters of St. Vincent Island will be providing hot dogs and drinks in a booth right beside an all-day live musical performance by John Miick and Cletus Heaps. There will be other informational booths set up by the Riverkeepers, St. Mark's Refuge, Panama City Fish and Wildlife, Riverkeepers and the St. Vincent Supporters. Come prepared to enjoy the day on St. Vincent Island; wear walking shoes and a smile. Volunteers will be at the Indian Pass boat ramp to guide you to the barge that will

take you to the island. Here is the schedule of events for the Open House: 9 a.m., music by John Miick & Cletus Heaps; 9:30 a.m. Wagon Tour; Landy Luther and Paulette Moss; Coastal Photo Walk with Debbie Hooper; 9:45 a.m., Hiking Tour with Denise Williams, Beach Walk with Brad Smith; 10:15 a.m., Birds of St. Vincent Walk with Erik Lovestrand, Beach Walk with Trish Petrie; 10:30 a.m., music with John Miick & Cletus Heaps; 11 a.m., Photographic Safari with Sue Bull, Wagon Tour with John Izetta and Debbie Hooper; 11:45 a.m. Hiking Tour with Denise Williams; noon, Music with John Miick & Cletus Heaps, Whooping Cranes and More talk by staff from St. Mark's, Beach Walk with Trish Petrie; 12:15 p.m., Wagon Tour with Dave F. and Gloria Austin; 1 p.m., Photographic Safari with Sue Bull; 1:15 p.m., Hiking Tour with Denise Williams; Birds of St. Vincent Walk with Erik Lovestrand; 1:30 p.m. Wagon Tour with Landy Luther and Gloria Austin; Whooping Cranes and More talk with staff from St. Mark's, Beach Walk with Brad Smith.

The monthly spring tours on the island have been filling up quickly. All tours are on the second Wednesday of each month. The next island tour takes place on April 11 followed by the last spring tour on May 9. There will be no tours during the summer — bugs and heat make the experience less than pleasant. The tour is free, but participants must make a reservation at [www.stvincentfriends.com](http://www.stvincentfriends.com). Click on "Island Tour Sign Up." There is a small charge for boat transportation to and from the island. Remember the island is primitive; bring every thing you need, including drinking water, and leave only your footprints behind.

This monthly column is provided by the Supporters of St. Vincent Island National Wildlife Refuge.

For more information and volunteer opportunities, visit [www.stvincentfriends.com](http://www.stvincentfriends.com).



## WEEKLY ALMANAC

Date	High	Low	% Precip
Thu, Mar 22	77°	65°	30 %
Fri, Mar 23	77°	67°	50 %
Sat, Mar 24	76°	63°	40 %
Sun, Mar 25	78°	60°	0 %
Mon, Mar 26	78°	62°	0 %
Tues, Mar 27	77°	63°	0 %
Wed, Mar 28	76°	63°	10 %

## TIDE TABLES MONTHLY AVERAGES

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

	HIGH	LOW
Cat Point	Minus 0:40	Minus 1:17
East Pass	Minus 0:27	Minus 0:27

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

	HIGH	LOW
Bald Point	Minus 9:16	Minus 0:03

## APALACHICOLA

Date	Day	High Tide	High Tide	Low Tide	Low Tide
15	Th	9:13pm 1.4		5:33am -0.1	
16	Fr	2:44pm 1.1	10:45pm 1.3	6:52am -0.3	5:59pm 1.0
17	Sa	3:07pm 1.1		7:57am -0.3	7:32pm 0.9
18	Su	12:21am 1.3	3:29pm 1.2	8:49am 0.0	8:35pm 0.7
19	Mo	2:02am 1.3	3:48pm 1.2	9:32am 0.1	9:25pm 0.5
20	Tu	3:11am 1.3	4:03pm 1.2	10:07am 0.2	9:07pm 0.4
21	We	4:05am 1.3	4:16pm 1.3	10:26am 0.2	10:45pm 0.2
22	Th	4:52am 1.3	4:28pm 1.3	11:00am 0.5	11:19pm 0.1
23	Fr	5:36am 1.3	4:42pm 1.4	11:19am 0.6	11:52pm 0.0
24	Sa	6:20am 1.3	5:00pm 1.4	11:37am 0.7	
25	Su	7:04am 1.2	5:23pm 1.5	12:23am 0.0	11:58pm 0.8
26	Mo	7:52am 1.2	5:55pm 1.5	12:54am 0.0	12:22pm 0.9
27	Tu	8:46am 1.2	6:26pm 1.5	1:30am 0.0	12:54pm 0.9
28	We	9:49am 1.2	7:06pm 1.5	2:14am 0.0	1:33pm 1.0

## CARRABELLE

Date	Day	High Tide	High Tide	Low Tide	Low Tide
15	Th	7:48pm 2.2		3:20am -0.2	
16	Fr	1:19pm 1.8	9:20pm 2.1	4:39am -0.2	3:46pm 1.6
17	Sa	1:42pm 1.8	11:06pm 2.1	5:44am -0.2	5:19pm 1.4
18	Su	2:04pm 1.9		6:36am 0.0	6:22pm 1.1
19	Mo	12:37am 2.1	2:23pm 1.9	7:19am 0.2	7:32pm 0.8
20	Tu	1:46am 2.1	2:38pm 1.9	7:54am 0.3	7:54pm 0.6
21	We	2:40am 2.1	2:51pm 2.1	8:23am 0.5	8:32pm 0.3
22	Th	3:27am 2.1	3:03pm 2.1	8:47am 0.8	9:06pm 0.2
23	Fr	4:11am 2.1	3:17pm 2.2	9:05am 1.0	9:39pm 0.0
24	Sa	4:55am 2.1	3:35pm 2.2	9:24am 1.1	10:10pm 0.0
25	Su	5:39am 1.9	3:58pm 2.4	9:45am 1.2	10:41pm 0.0
26	Mo	6:27am 1.9	4:27pm 2.4	10:09am 1.4	11:17pm 0.0
27	Tu	7:21am 1.9	5:01pm 2.4	10:41am 1.4	
28	We	8:24am 1.9	5:43pm 2.4	12:01am 0.0	12:00am 1.6

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## FISH REPORT SPONSORED BY



### Freshwater

Springtime conditions have the fish biting! Lake Wimico has been on fire with bass and bream catches this week. Most anglers are using worms and spinner baits. Bream are biting on worms and crickets and they are everywhere. Depot Creek has been reporting some crappie bites and smaller catfish as well.

### Inshore

St. Joe Bay is coming back to life. Good flounder reports have been coming from Black's Island and around the bomb holes. Surf fishing is still producing nice whiting and all you want to catch. Spanish Mackerel are at the Eagle Harbor area and out in the open water and along the Gulf side of cape San Blas also. Use mackerel trees or Gotcha plugs pulled behind spoons to improve your chances. Still no cobia in Gulf County have been weighed in, but this week we should see one!

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# Morgan Newell hurls no-hitter

By David Adlerstein  
 Times City Editor

A Morgan Newell no-hitter and some steady hitting marked the Lady Seahawks varsity softball efforts over the past two weeks.

On March 8 in Quincy, the Lady Seahawks outlasted Munroe in 10 innings, 3-2 after the two teams exchanged the lead five times.

The Lady Seahawks fell behind 1-0 in the bottom of the first, but they tied it up in the top of the second after Vanessa Simmons whacked a double to score Newell.

The Lady Seahawks went ahead 2-1 in the top

of the third after Anna Lee doubled to score Morgan Mock. Munroe quickly tied it at 2-2, and it stayed that way until the top of the 10th when Gracyn Kirvin walked, and then Chena Segree singled to advance her to second. Kirvin, who led the team with two hits, went on to score after Munroe's errant throws.

Segree struck out eight as she threw strikes on 55 of her 84 pitches. She walked none over four innings, while Krista Martina fanned four over five innings. The Lady Seahawks managed the win despite striking out 21 times against Munroe's H. Corball.

On March 9 at the Nest,

Franklin County lost 7-5 in eight innings despite out-hitting South Walton 11-5.

The Lady Seahawks opened up a 3-0 lead in the first, after Kirvin and Segree both singled, and then Newell whacked a home run. But South Walton got four runs in the top of the second, and two more in the fourth, to jump ahead 6-3.

In the bottom of the fifth, a Newell double and stolen base, and a single and stolen base by Aly Millender, set up a Newell score when Scout Segree whacked a single, with Millender able to also score on an errant throw. But that was all the scoring for the Lady Se-

ahawks, who allowed one more run.

Newell racked up three RBIs on two hits for Franklin County. Kirvin went 3-for-3 and scored a run.

On March 12 at Blountstown, the Lady Seahawks' bats banged out a 13-2 victory. Chena Segree went 3-for-5 with two doubles and four RBIs, while Newell was 3-for-5 with a pair of RBIs. Segree also went the distance, striking out 10 and giving up only two hits.

The following night at West Gadsden, Newell pitched a no-hitter as Franklin County defeated West Gadsden 12-0

No West Gadsden batter was able to locate Newell's pitches during the game. She struck out seven and walked one over four innings.

Lee had a strong game at the plate for Franklin County, going 2-3, driving in one and scoring two runs. She singled in the first inning and doubled in the fourth inning.

Franklin County ran wild on the basepaths, finishing with 11 steals. Hunter Shiver, Maddie Newell, and Christina Collins each had one stolen base and Newell and Lee each had four stolen bases.

On Friday at home, the Lady Seahawks fell 10-0 to Liberty.

Newell did her best to will Franklin County to a win with a three-hit game,



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Catcher Aly Millender gives pitcher Krista Martina a playful swat to help fasten her mask against Liberty County.



Gracyn Kirvin bunts against Liberty County.



Pitcher Chena Segree in action against Liberty County.

getting a hit in each of her three at bats. She doubled in the fourth inning and singled in the second and sixth innings.

Carley Sapp racked up three RBIs on two hits for Liberty. Sapp homered in the third inning and tripled in the fifth inning.

Segree showed good command, as she threw strikes on 71 of her 119 pitches. She struck out six and walked four for Franklin County.

Liberty never trailed after scoring two runs in the third on a two-run home run by Sapp.

## Franklin County SWAT takes their Kick Butts Message to WMBB Channel 13!



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# Seahawks down East and West Gadsden

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The Franklin County Seahawks have played 500 ball over the past two weeks, downing both East and West Gadsden, before falling to John Paul II and Wewahitchka.

The team helmed by coach Mike Emerson and assistant Tim Wheeler now sports a 4-11-1 record as they prepare for Friday night's showdown at the Nest against archrival Port St. Joe.

On March 12 at East Gadsden, the Seahawks won 6-3 in seven innings as junior Skyler Hutchinson and sophomore Logan McLeod each went 3-3 at the plate.

East Gadsden jumped to an early 3-0 lead in the bottom of the first, but the Seahawks scored four runs in the second on four con-



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Senior Austin Larkin scores against South Walton.

secutive singles, by junior Zach Howze, McLeod, senior Adrian Hendels and Hutchinson. Senior Austin Larkin then whacked an RBI double, followed by a single by sophomore James Newell that plated the fourth run.

In the top of the third, the Seahawks added two

more runs, on a double by senior Colton Sheridan, and singles by McLeod, Hutchinson and Larkin.

Hendels gave up three runs in six innings of work, striking out eight. Senior closer Marcus Dalton put away the final three outs to record the save.

On March 13 in Greensboro, the visiting Franklin County Seahawks baseball team cruised to a 14-1 victory over the West Gadsden Panthers.

On March 14 at The Nest, Newell racked up four RBIs on two hits but it wasn't enough to get past John Paul, as the Seahawks lost 10-6 in seven innings.

The Seahawks jumped to a 3-0 lead in the bottom of the first, on singles by Hutchinson and senior Brennan Walden, followed by a Newell double that scored them both. Dalton's single advanced Newell, who later scored.

John Paul got a run

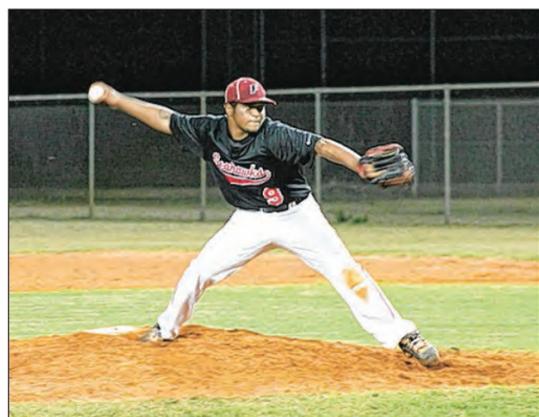
back in the top of the third, and then scored four in the fourth to jump to a 5-3 lead. They added three more in the top of the fifth, and another in the top of the sixth.

In the bottom of the sixth, the Seahawks added a run, after Howze walked, advanced to second on an error, advanced on a passed ball and scored when junior Seth Rogers hit into a fielder's choice.

John Paul added a 10th and final run in the top of the seventh.

Sheridan pitched just over four innings, striking out three and giving up six runs on seven hits. Walden came in to close, and struck out one as he gave up two runs on three hits.

On Monday at the Nest, the Seahawks fell 8-4 to Wewahitchka in seven innings, banging out just two hits while holding Wewa to just four hits.



Senior hurler Brennan Walden has been a workhorse on the mound, especially in the later innings.

## Sports CALENDAR

### Carrabelle Speed Festival set for Saturday

At their March 1 meeting, Carrabelle city commissioners voted unanimously to allow Blake Hutchinson to stage a third Carrabelle Speed Festival, at the Carrabelle-Thompson Airport this Saturday, March 24.

Participants drive on an open runway giving them a full half mile of open throttle acceleration. In addition to the races, there will be a DJ and food vendors.

Hutchison staged two successful festivals in July and Oct. 2011, attended by drivers from as far away as Texas and New York. City Attorney Dan Hartman told commissioners Hutchison has purchased \$2 million of insurance for the event. Drivers pay \$85 and passengers \$25, with a \$10 charge for spectators.

### Semi-pro football team in the works

A semi-professional football team is now being started in Franklin County.

Organizer Nate Tatum is seeking coaches and players, age 18 and older, to take part in the team.

Tatum plans to use the team name Sharks, reminiscent of the former Apalachicola High School teams, and the team colors of blue and gold. He is seeking an affiliation with the Florida Football Alliance at [www.ffafootball.org](http://www.ffafootball.org)

Tatum hopes to form a team in Apalachicola made up of players from anywhere between Panama City and Tallahassee. All are welcome.

As importantly, he needs the help of coaches, both a head coach and offensive and defensive coordinators.

For more information, call (850) 899-0800 or [Silverfox1029@yahoo.com](mailto:Silverfox1029@yahoo.com)

### Seahawks baseball

- Friday, March 23 vs. Port St. Joe 7 p.m.
- Thursday, March 29 @ Florida High 6:30 p.m.
- Friday, March 30 @ Port St. Joe 7 p.m.

### Lady Seahawks softball

- Thursday, March 22 @ Wakulla 6 p.m.
- Friday, March 23 vs. Port St. Joe 5/7 p.m.
- Tuesday, March 27 vs. West Gadsden 7 p.m.
- Friday, March 30 @ Port St. Joe

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# MASSEY

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Massey for the last 30 years. I was born and raised in Franklin County.

Being a volunteer fireman for the City of Carrabelle and being involved in the Lighthouse Association, Camp Gordon Johnston, the Historical Society, the Carrabelle Riverfront Festival and Holiday on the Harbor — Parade of Lights, I have met and worked with so many people in these organizations that I feel I can relate to the needs of the entire county. I am most proud of volunteer work which took me to Mississippi and Louisiana with food and supplies after Hurricane Katrina.

My goal as a county commissioner is to keep the seafood industry healthy while at the same time creating other job opportunities to encourage our young people to stay in the county. Focusing on the quality and strength of our environment will open many job opportunities for one and all, in years to come.

As a lifelong oysterman and shrimper, I am well aware of the challenges facing our Franklin County lifestyle. My grandfather owned and operated an oyster house in Carrabelle. My spare time is spent cast netting for mullet and floundering. I am presently employed by the City of Carrabelle as supervisor of roads and parks. Franklin County is my home. I want to work for a better Franklin County.

For more information on my candidacy, please call 697-2899. Thank you.

# CARRABELLE CAT

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to Coast AM" and Ireland's "Newstalk." He also authored "Big Bird: Modern Sightings of Flying Monsters" and co-authored with Nick Redfern "Monsters of Texas."

Hales also has been on "MonsterQuest" and has a bachelor's degree in environmental science from the State University of New York in Buffalo with a minor in paleontology. He has taught zoology and acted as a nature guide and has investigated many reported sightings of unknown animals.

The elder Marlowe has been featured on "MonsterQuest," "Is it True? Legend Hunters," "Destination Truth," "William Shatner's Weird or What" and "Weird Travels."

The team brought along trail cameras, bait and sticky traps designed to sample fur and provide DNA evidence of the cat's identity. The feline center provided scat, urine and fluid from a Florida panther in estrus to use as lures; unfortunately, Miller's dog rolled in the scat, rendering it useless.

Investigators also came armed with plaster casts of footprints of known cat species, obtained at Bear Creek for comparison with tracks found by investigators.

Gerhard and Hales created a cutout of a black cat to photograph at the site of the original video captured by Carrabelle's Larry Miller two years ago. The pair hoped to photograph the silhouette against the same background to get an

idea of the size of the animal in the original footage.

"The team's goal is to capture the cat and identify it, and if it is non-native, transport it to a safe home," Scott Marlowe said. "If it is native, it will be released back into the swamp unharmed."

Marlowe said he is certain one exotic cat, the jaguarundi, is present in Florida because he has collected verified footprints in Gadsden County. He said he has traps in place to capture a jaguarundi.

The Tate's Hell cat does not fit the description of a jaguarundi.

Marlowe theorizes the cat could be a black Florida panther; although biologists say black Florida panthers do not exist.

On March 5, after the investigation, Marlowe said, "Despite the foul weather, we were able to confirm the size of the animal shown in Larry Miller's YouTube video with an experiment and determined that the cat was approximately the size of a Florida panther. We will be returning to the area to conduct more investigations as a result of our findings."

Hales and Gerhard had a slightly different take on the results of their experiment.

"We spent about three days in the vast terrain looking for tracks, scat and other spoor that would indicate a big cat might be present," Gerhard wrote in an online blog, "Unfortunately, torrential rains and thunderstorms kept us in our tents for a large portion



LEE HALES | Special to the Times

Ken Gerhard holds a silhouette he used to determine the size of a cat filmed in Tate's Hell in 2010.

of the time, hindering our efforts considerably, though ultimately we did manage to reach two conclusions.

"First: We were able to reconstruct the only alleged video of the animal using a panther-sized replica. By visiting the exact location where the film was shot, we were able to determine that the subject in the video stood only 13 tall ... well within the size range of a domestic cat. However, based on interviews with local hunters, in addition to a limited survey of the 80,000-acre wilderness, we came away convinced that a large, elusive felid may indeed be present."

Hales was a less speculative. He said he and Gerhard filmed the cutout of the cat at the spot where Miller claims to have filmed a 50-

pound black cat. To get the right angle, Hales climbed the tree where Miller had his deer stand. He said, based on comparing the photo with stills from the Miller film, the cat was about 13 inches tall. He said the shape of the cat in Miller's film was also characteristic of a domestic cat rather than a wild species.

Hales said the cat in the film was a large house cat. "We're probably not looking at anything unusual," he said, noting the expedition found no physical evidence of a big cat during their expedition.

He said their search activities might have been hampered by the noise of Miller and Allen target shooting near the camp. Gerhard and Hales' findings echo the opinion of wildlife

biologists who have examined the Miller video.

Hales said he and Gerhard were impressed with the beauty of the swamp and plan to return.

Allen said he witnessed Hales and Gerhard's experiment and was unimpressed. He said that by measuring the distance between two pine saplings on one of Miller's two original videos, he was able to calculate that the body of the cat is about 30 inches long and the tail another 24 inches long.

He said the road has changed too much in the two years since Miller made his film to allow Gerhard and Hales to make any comparison.

Allen said he has personally seen both tawny and black big cats in Tate's Hell.

Scott Marlowe said he was a little disappointed they were unable to spot one of the cats this visit or obtain physical evidence. He said the latest expedition laid the groundwork to see if more investigation is necessary.

However, on the way home after the safari, he and his son both said they sighted a black panther crossing State Route 471, just south of Webster.

"We spent the weekend searching up there and actually spot one when we're almost home," he said. "If we had been going any faster, we would have hit it. It ran right in front of my car. It's almost unbelievable."

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CENTENNIAL BANK, as successor in interest to BAYSIDE SAVINGS BANK, Plaintiff,

vs. JEREMY J. GLEATON, JR., and LUCIA ANN GLEATON, Defendants.

**NOTICE OF SALE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated February 27, 2012, and entered in Civil Action No. 09-490 CA of the Circuit Court of the Second Judicial Circuit in and for Franklin County, Florida, wherein the parties were the Plaintiff, CENTENNIAL BANK, as successor in interest to BAYSIDE SAVINGS BANK, and the Defendants, JEREMY J. GLEATON, JR., and LUCIA ANN GLEATON, I will sell to the highest and best bidder, for cash, at 11:00 a.m. (Eastern Time) on the 25th day of April, 2012, at the front steps of the Franklin County Court-house, Apalachicola, Florida, the following-described real property as set forth in said Final Judgment of Foreclosure:

Lot 26 of PELICAN BEACH VILLAGE, according to the Plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 5, Page(s) 12, of the Public Records of Franklin County, Florida, LESS AND EXCEPT any part of said land lying within any easement as shown on said plat.

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

DATED this 28th day of February, 2012.

Honorable MARCIA JOHNSON Clerk of the Court Franklin County, FL

By: /s Michelle Maxwell As Deputy Clerk March 15, 22, 2012

77274T IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL ACTION CASE NO.: 19-2011-CA-000442

DEUTSCHE BANK TRUST COMPANY AMERICAS AS TRUSTEE RALI 2005QS9, Plaintiff,

vs. CHESTER R. KRAWCZUK, et al, Defendant(s).

**NOTICE OF ACTION**

TO: CHESTER R. KRAWCZUK

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CATES, 2006-1, Plaintiff,

vs. JAMES P. KOURKOULIS;

COASTAL COMMUNITY BANK formerly known as Apalachicola State Bank, Defendants.

RE-NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to the Agreed Final Summary Judgment of Foreclosure dated January 12, 2012, and Order Directing Clerk of Court to Reschedule Foreclosure Sale dated February 15, 2012, entered in Case No. Case No. 2010-000169-CA, in the Circuit Court of the 2nd Judicial Circuit in and for Franklin County, Florida, wherein U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE OF THE LEHMAN BROTHERS SMALL BALANCE COMMERCIAL MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, 2006-1, is the Plaintiff, and JAMES P. KOURKOULIS; and CENTENNIAL BANK, as successor in interest to, COASTAL COMMUNITY BANK formerly known as Apalachicola

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has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses within 30 days after the first publication, if any, on Albertelli Law, Plaintiff's attorney, whose address is P.O. Box 23028, Tampa, FL 33623, and file the original with this Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney, or immediately thereafter; otherwise, a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint or petition.

This notice shall be published once a week for two consecutive weeks in the Apalachicola Times.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of this court on this 7th day of March, 2012.

MARCIA M. JOHNSON Clerk of the Circuit Court

By: Terry Creamer Deputy Clerk

Attorney for Plaintiff: ALBERTELLI LAW P.O. Box 23028 Tampa, FL 33623

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86081T IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION CASE NO.: 2010-000169-CA

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE OF THE LEHMAN BROTHERS SMALL BALANCE COMMERCIAL MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFI-

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State Bank, are the Defendants, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash except as set forth hereinafter, on April 11, 2012, at 11:00 A.M., at the Second Floor Lobby of the Franklin County Court-house, 33 Market Street, Apalachicola, Florida 32320, the following described property situated in Franklin County, as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

That piece, parcel or tract of land lying, being and situate within the corporation limits of Apalachicola, Franklin County, Florida and described as follows, to wit: To get a point of beginning, begin at a point on Market Street of said city, Fifty and one-half feet Northwest of the South corner of Lot Number Twenty (20) of Block "E" Second (2nd) Range of said city, which said point is located on Lot Number Nineteen (19) of said Block "E" Second (2nd) Range at a point where the same borders on Market Street just Nine and one-half feet Southeast of the line dividing Lots Eighteen (18) and Nineteen (19) of said Block and is also just Twenty and one half

feet Northwest of a point where the line dividing Lots Nineteen (19) and Twenty (20) of said Block intersects or touches Market Street. Now from this point which is designated as a point of beginning, run directly across Lot Nineteen (19) of said Block North East at right angles to Market Street and parallel to Center Street Eighty feet, thence Northwest and parallel to Market Street Twenty Eight feet, thence run South-west parallel to Center and directly across Lot Eighteen (18) Eighty feet to Market Street, thence run along Market Street and the front of the Block Southeast Twenty Eight feet to the place of beginning.

Property Address: 75 Market Street, Apalachicola, FL32320

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DATED THIS 24th day of February, 2012.

MARCIA JOHNSON, CLERK OF COURT, FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA

By: /s/Terry Creamer Deputy Clerk March 15, 22, 2012

86139T NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE BY CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT

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PARCEL A: The following lots of KEOUGH'S FIRST ADDITION, a subdivision of the City of Carrabelle in Franklin County, Florida, according to Plat Book 2, Page 20 of the Official Records of Franklin County, Florida, and the following lots of KEOUGH'S SECOND ADDITION, a subdivision of the City of Carrabelle in Franklin County, Florida, according to Plat Book 2, Page 20 of the Official Records of Franklin County, Florida;

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Block 96 (271), Lots 1 thru 12, inclusive, KEOUGH'S SECOND ADDITION; Block 95 (272), Lots 1 thru 12, inclusive, KEOUGH'S SECOND ADDITION;

AND PARCEL B:

A parcel of land in the East half of Fractional Section 31, Township 8 South, Range 8 West, in Franklin County, Florida, described as follows: Begin at an iron pipe on the beach of St. George Sound 1250 feet West of the East Section line of Section 31, Township 8 South, Range 8 West, and run East along the beach a distance of 309 feet to an iron pipe, thence run North to the right-of-way of State Road No. 30 (old No. 10), thence run West along the South side of the right-of-way of State Road No. 30 a distance of 47 feet which is the place of beginning of the land to be described; continue to run West along the South side of the right-of-way of State Road No. 30 a distance of 84 feet, thence run South to the shore of St. George Sound, then run East along the shore of St. George Sound a distance of 84 feet, thence run North to the point of beginning. Being a parcel of land 84 feet wide along the South side of State Road No. 30 and extending back to the shoreline of St. George Sound.

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pursuant to the Partial Summary Judgment in Foreclosure as to Court II in a case pending in said Court, the style of which is:

CENTENNIAL BANK, as successor in interest to Wakulla Bank, Plaintiff,

vs. COX COASTAL DEVELOPMENT, LLC, a Florida limited Liability Company, PIERPOINT PROPERTIES, LLC, a Florida Limited Liability Company, RONALD L. COX, DANIEL W. HARTMAN, and CHARLES R. WEBB, II, Defendants.

and the docket number of which is 11-000159-CA.

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 with the clerk of the court within 60 days after the sale.

In accordance with the AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT, persons needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact Stephen A. Pitre, Esquire, Post Office Box 13010, Pensacola, Florida 32591-3010 not later than seven days prior to the proceeding to ensure that reasonable accommodations are available.

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Honorable Court this 29th day of February, 2012.

MARCIA JOHNSON  
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By: Michele Maxwell  
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# Garlick dyes sponges for Macau hotel

By LOIS SWOBODA  
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Just in time for St. Patrick's Day, local entrepreneur Jerry Garlick has taken on an unusual project.

He has been hired by Design Solutions International in Dallas, Texas, to dye 6,000 sponges green.

The sponges will be used to cover a 24-foot dome in Macau, a special administrative region of China, near Hong Kong. The dome also features lenses to create rainbows and electronic butterflies to light its interior.

Garlick said he is using a combination of chrome green and Kelly green to color the sponges of several species to create a range of shades.

Garlick colored the sea creatures in his workshop at home and transported them to the airport for boxing and shipping. He began the project Feb. 7 and shipped the last of the sponges March 7.

Garlick now plans to create sponges in a rainbow of colors for sale at the Apalachicola Sponge Exchange.



LOIS SWOBODA | The Times

Steven Stefanou, owner of Design Solutions, said he is now experimenting with sponges as a medium for other projects. He said they found Garlick by doing an Internet search for natural sponges, and they have been very pleased with his work ethic and enthusiasm.

Design Solutions is best known for creating custom, holiday décor

of monumental proportions including the annual Christmas display at Rockefeller Center in New York.

Stefanou said the dome is being constructed in Texas and will be shipped complete to China for the grand opening of the Grande Praca hotel on May 1. Rooms at the MGM Grand hotel run as much as \$681 per night.



MARK PRITZL | NWFWM

Well drillers install a new well in Tate's Hell.

## Water district's online well permitting a success

Special to the Times

Electronic permitting of water wells was an immediate success when the system went live on Jan. 4, 2012. That month, the Northwest Florida Water Management District received almost half its applications and a quarter of its completion reports online.

"The district has passed along direct savings of time and money through e-permitting," said District Executive Director Doug Barr. "The system so simplifies and expedites well-permitting that applications can now be completed and submitted from anywhere, 24 hours a day, seven days a week."

Guy Gowens, director of the district's division of resource regulation said the new method "is a marked improvement from the days when well-permitting, permit extensions and completion reports

had to be hand-delivered or mailed to the district as hard copies and payments were limited to cash or check

"Clients can now process forms and pay online using credit, debit or electronic funds transfer. They can monitor their application status, notify the district of work starting, extend permits and submit completion reports anytime from anywhere," he said.

In the first three weeks of well e-permitting, 47 percent of applications and 23 percent of completion reports were submitted online. The district has averaged 6,500 well permits annually for five years. It inspects all public supply wells and wells larger than six inches in diameter, which comprise about 20 percent of wells in the Panhandle. The district also licenses 151 water well contractors and has special oversight in potentially contaminated areas.

### NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION

I, Ken Detzner, Secretary of State of the State of Florida, do hereby give notice that a GENERAL ELECTION will be held in FRANKLIN County, State of Florida, on the SIXTH day of NOVEMBER, 2012, A.D., to fill or retain the following offices:

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- State Senator
- State Representative
- Supreme Court: Retention of Three Justices
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- Circuit Judge, Second Judicial Circuit: Groups 1, 2, 3 and 12
- Clerk of the Circuit Court
- Sheriff
- Property Appraiser
- Tax Collector
- Superintendent of Schools
- Supervisor of Elections
- County Court Judge: Group 1
- School Board: Districts 1, 3 and 5
- County Commissioner: Districts 1, 3 and 5
- Franklin Soil and Water Conservation District: Groups 1, 3 and 5

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT CITY OF APALACHICOLA, FLORIDA

The Apalachicola Board of Adjustment will hold a Public Hearing on Thursday, March 29th, 2012 at 6:00 PM at City Hall, Community Center Meeting Room, 1 Bay Avenue, Apalachicola, Florida to address the following variance request and receive citizen comments relating to proposed new construction on the parcel listed below. A Special Meeting will immediately follow.

The following variance request items will be discussed and considered:

1. Proposed new construction of a detached two car garage into the required 15' side setback from 18th Avenue on the parcel located at the corner of Fred Meyer Street and 18th Avenue (R-2 Multi-Family Residential), more specifically described as 0.37 acre parcel located in Block 251. Applicant is requesting a 10' variance approval making the garage 5' side setback.

The Apalachicola Land Development Code allows for such variances when special circumstances, conditions and/or undue hardships are determined. All interested parties are encouraged to attend and be heard with respect to this request. For further information, contact the Apalachicola Administrative and Community Development Office, 1 Avenue E, Apalachicola, Florida 850-653-9319.

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