



Out to see

'Butts and Clucks' set for Saturday

The Weems Memorial Healthcare Foundation will hold its annual "Butts and Clucks by the Bay" cook-off on Saturday, Jan. 5 from noon until 5 p.m. at Riverfront Park in downtown Apalachicola. The foundation is sponsoring a pork butt and chicken cooking contest, open to local, state and out-of-state teams. Awards given for cooking, presentation of booth, presentation of food, etc. Dinner served to the public, and an auction will be held with Harry Arnold as auctioneer.

For more information or to enter, call 670-8261.

Get out, take in a game

Ever felt like life was getting you down, too much boredom, too much same old, same old? Now is the time to live up you life by taking in an athletic contest at Franklin County High School.

For soccer fans, there's a girls game at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 9, where the Lady Seahawks will host the Rutherford Lady Rams. The two teams tied the last time they met. Then, on Thursday, Jan. 9, both the boys and girls teams will host West Gadsden, with the girls at 5 p.m. and the boys at 7 p.m.

For hoop fans, the girls and boys basketball teams will host South Walton High School on Thursday, Jan. 10. The girls game gets under way at 5:30 p.m., the boys at 7 p.m.

Apalachicola Oyster Cook-off Jan. 19

The third annual Oyster Cook-Off to benefit the Apalachicola Volunteer Fire Department will be Saturday, Jan. 19. Friday evening will be a preview of the oyster-related silent auction items, along with a sampling of Apalachicola Bay's tasty bivalves.

Saturday's cook-off starts at 11 a.m. Contestants are encouraged to enter with their favorite recipe. All forms of oysters will be available to taste - raw, steamed, fried. Other food items and refreshments available for purchase. Activities will include live music and dancing performances. More information will be posted soon at www.oystercookoff.com, and the event can be followed on Facebook.

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Cols. Donald "Ed" Jackson tongs for oysters in Apalachicola Bay.

Oysters, oysters and (no) more oysters

If there was one story that dominated the news pages this year, it was all about oysters. The good, the bad and the beautiful.

First came the good news, a shattering second-year success for Apalachicola's annual Oyster Cookoff in January.

"It's been awesome," said Marisa Getter, one of the event's key organizers. "Look at all these people. So far so good, this is awesome."

Caroline and Jeff Ilardi, took top honors with their Tupelo Oysters, raw oysters topped with kumquat jelly, kumquat pulp, jalapeno peppers, tupelo honey, rice wine vinegar and chopped shallots.

By mid year, though, there was clearly trouble beginning to brew in the oyster industry.

In May, a directive from federal immigration officials led to the dismissal of 41 Hispanic workers from Apalachicola's Leavins Seafood, due to their failure to comply with regulations they produce valid documentation of their right to work in the United States.

Grady Leavins, 68, said Tuesday he was saddened by having to release the workers, many of whom he said worked there several years and were like family to them. He said the facility remains open six days a week, and is continuing operations, although with fewer staff and a larger volume of product imported from other states.

By September, the crisis befalling the oyster industry was far broader than one oyster plant's workers.

Before an overflow crowd held in the main courtroom, several hundred seafood workers and their families appealed for economic justice to help them cope with the declining productivity of Apalachicola Bay.

The special meeting called by the county commissioners came two days after oyster-terms pleaded for their help Sept. 4, and Governor Rick Scott wrote to federal officials asking them to declare a commercial fishery failure for the state's oyster harvesting areas.

"The drought conditions in the bay have caused the oyster resources to decrease to a level that will no longer sustain Florida's commercial oyster industry," wrote Commissioner of Agriculture Adam Putnam in an appeal to the governor, noting the August assessment showed current oyster levels have not been this low since immediately after Hurricane Elena in 1985.

Mark Berrigan, bureau chief of the Division of Aquaculture with nearly 30 years of resource assessments under his belt, said decline in the county's \$6.6 million oyster industry accelerated over the last two years, and sped up due to the recent rains.

"We are a proud people, we're not scared to work, never have been," said Commissioner Smokey Parrish, who has represented the county in the RESTORE Act discussions. "It's all we've ever done is work. We're not looking for a handout; we're looking for resources to help ourselves."

In October, Governor Scott dived headlong into the distress facing the county's oyster industry by spending an hour at a resource fair in Eastpoint to meet with local officials and residents seeking help.

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Escorted by County Commissioner Pinki Jackel, Scott greeted a bevy of state, regional and local officials, discussed the industry's needs with seafood dealers talked at length with Shannon Hartsfield, president of the Franklin County Seafood Workers Association.

"We talked about getting some immediate assistance for relay and shelling," said Hartsfield. "We talked about possibly closing (Bob Sikes) cut off, temporarily, for a short term, possibly a long term, because we're fixing to get these low winter tides and fixing to get a little bit of fresh water there and we don't want it all going out the cut."

By the end of the month, a couple of colonels from the Army Corps of Engineers tonged for oysters, ate them fresh on the boat and later at an evening reception, and then talked about how to prevent the Apalachicola estuary from becoming the late, great bay.

The trip, sponsored by the Apalachicola Riverkeeper and the Tri-Rivers Water Way Development Association, brought Cols. Donald "Ed" Jackson and Steven Roemhildt, commanders of the Corps' South Atlantic and Mobile districts respectively, out on the water to see first-hand the challenges facing oystermen.

By year's end, the county had received a solid dose of good news to carry forward into 2013. Word of a \$2.7 million infusion of federal money for a program to re-shell the oyster bars was welcome, indeed.

The seafood industry also embarked on a new community based collaborative effort — the Seafood Management Assistance Resource and Recovery Team — designed to build a local capacity consensus to ensure the future of Franklin County's seafood heritage.

— By DAVID ADLERSTEIN

The year of the bear

As the bear population continues to grow under the protection of the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) human encounters with bears have increased too for better or worse.

This is a bumper year for acorns, and with acorns come hungry bears.

Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission bear biologist Adam Warwick said it is by far the busiest season he has experienced. In Carrabelle, Eastpoint and Lanark Village conversation is abuzz with bear stories. One woman reported seeing six bears in a single oak tree. Warwick said he saw 13 bears on one day while working around Hinton Road in Lanark.

Most comments have been positive, with people telling how beautiful and healthy the bear population has become. Lots of folks are scrambling for their cameras.

For the first time, Carrabelle's Black Bear Festival had an actual bear in attendance. Warwick brought a small female

bear that had been trapped for relocation, and as the crowd watched, he darted, weighed and measured the bear.

Not all encounters with bears had a happy ending this year. Albert E. Smythe of Lanark Village was arrested by sheriff's deputies on Oct. 3, for shooting a black bear and attempting to hide his actions after FWC officers investigated an incident that took place at Smythe's home on April 10. Initially, Smythe claimed to have witnessed a hit-and-run involving the bear but further investigation showed the bear had been shot.

A necropsy was performed on the 120-pound bear at the FWC Gainesville Research Lab and a bullet was recovered from the bear's spine. Doctors concluded the bear could have died from bleeding from the gunshot wound, suffocation, or possible undetected injuries to the lungs. Injuries typically associated with bears hit by vehicles were not found on the Lanark bear.

DNA tied the blood on Smythe's truck to the bear found in the ditch.

Although black bears were delisted as a species of special concern in August, Smythe was charged in the April incident with "taking of a threatened species," a third degree felony punishable by up to five years in prison and a \$5,000 fine. A neighbor said Smythe had trouble with bears getting into his garbage.

On a happier note, some local folks played guardian angel to a bear cub recently injured by an automobile.

On Dec. 12, FWC Wildlife Technician Ron Copley went in search of a bear cub reportedly injured by a car. Copley found him not far from the scene of the accident and tranquilized the cub using a dart gun. The 100 pound cub had a bloody nose and a broken leg but seemed otherwise unhurt.

Copley took the cub home and with the help of his twin 13-year-old grandsons, he splinted the cub's leg and put it into a pen for observation.

Soon the bear was sitting up and alert. Warwick contacted a Crawfordville veterinarian, who agreed to treat the bear pro bono, and performed surgery to reset the bone. On Saturday evening, the cub was returned to the site of his capture and placed at the edge of the woods in a cage.

"Making low grunting noises (he) ran straight into the woods where his mom and siblings were waiting," Copley said.

As if by a miracle, Thomas was successfully returned to his mother. Warwick said the bear is expected to avoid using the leg for two or three weeks and it will remain sore for a longer stretch. Griggs predicted a full recovery.

Members of the public can call the Wildlife Alert Hotline, 888-404-FWCC, or go to MyFWC.com/WildlifeAlert to report known or suspected violations or text or email to Tip@MyFWC.com.

— By LOIS SWOBODA

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ROD GASCHÉ | Special to the Times

These two bears were spotted near the "frog pond" on the Carrabelle waterfront.

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Ladies in wading

3 As international stories go, it was Franklin County's biggest — a Valentine's Day surprise for millions of pairs of eyes who each caught a fresh glimpse of the county courtesy of three babes in bikinis featured in what has become the world's most popular celebrations of the feminine physique.

On The Late Show with David Letterman, Sports Illustrated Swimsuit, an issue read last year by an estimated 70 million adults, unveiled its cover girl, 19-year-old Kate Upton, on a giant billboard in Times Square.

That cover photo, of the exquisite 5'10" blonde Florida girl from Melbourne, was taken in Australia. But it might have been from among those of Upton taken

during an Oct. 9-17 photography assignment in Franklin County, selected by the magazine to pay homage to the beauty of the Gulf Coast.

"One of the things we wanted to do is to show the world that the Gulf is alive, well and beautiful. Don't be afraid to go to the Gulf," said Diane Smith, the senior editor who oversaw the project.

With eye-popping numbers likely to eclipse last year's 2.6 billion media impressions, including Facebook videos and an interactive website, the luster on the county as a tourist destination got a lot shinier.

"It's certainly going to put Apalachicola on the map," said Smith. "It's the largest selling magazine in the world; one out of four Americans reads it. It's become sort of an American tradition."



MARK FRIEDMAN | Special to the Times

Sports Illustrated swimsuit model Ariel Meredith photographed along the Apalachicola River.

Beginning nearly a year earlier, when editors first contacted the Apalachicola Bay Chamber of Commerce, the project led to a weeklong photo shoot headquartered at the Coombs House Inn

The magazine chose models with Gulf coast ties, including a brunette from Louisiana, Ariel Meredith, who was featured in teaser photos and videos; a sandy blonde from Texas, Julie Henderson; and Upton.

The only site written in sand, so to speak, was the eastern end of Dr. Julian G. Bruce St. George Island State Park, which figured into a sunrise shoot for each of the models. Other spots included the Tin Shed, deck of Boss Oyster, and aboard the Donna J, the backyard of Gene Smith's house, the Steamboat House, Gardens Inc, the former Wefing's Marine Supplies, and Scipio Creek marina, and the tree swing and robins egg blue antique Chevy pickup at Franklin County Sheriff Skip and Julie Shiver's house.

— By DAVID ADLERSTEIN

Murder trials

4 It was an anguished year for sensational crimes, as justice was handed out for one murder, and the process began for another.

In September, in a hushed Apalachicola courtroom, a grieving father relived the pain of his young



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Pat Hiers grieves for her grandson, Camden Hiers, as she and her son, David Hiers, talk with Assistant State Attorney Jared Patterson.

son's murder, and then watched as the boy's grandmother was sent to state prison for what will likely be the rest of her life.

Without comment beyond the detailed legal questioning, Circuit Judge Angela Dempsey sentenced 73-year-old Marianne Bordt, from Nufringen, Germany, to 21 years and six months for drowning her American-born grandson Camden Hiers, 5, in the bathtub of a St. George Island rental home on Jan. 4, 2010.

Over the last two-and-a-half years, prosecutors had sought the death penalty for Bordt on a charge of first-degree murder and aggravated child abuse. But eventually prosecutors said it made practical sense to agree to a plea deal that would see Bordt likely spend the rest of her life in prison.

"Camden told me all the time that he loved me. He also told me many times

that he loved his mommy," Dave Hiers, the boys father, told the court at sentencing. "He was afraid of the dark and 'monsters under the bed.' like any child his age. I told Camden that monsters were not real... but I was wrong. Camden did need saving from a real-life monster that took his precious life from us."

In December, the year's only murder shocked the county, as Sandra Anne Loudermilk-Conkel, 46, of Apalachicola, admitted to shooting and stabbing her mother 68-year-old Cynthia Green on an isolated beach about 10 miles west of town, and then burying her body in a mound of debris.

Undersheriff Joel Norred said law enforcement officials interviewed several people, but are not seeking other suspects in connection with the murder. "We believe she acted alone," he said.

— By DAVID ADLERSTEIN

End of an era, start of a new

5 It was a big election year throughout the country, and Franklin County was no exception.

Oddly, only one of the countywide offices was contested, that of sheriff, and that was over in August, as Mike Mock returned to the job in triumph, easily besting a three-man field.

Mock, 45, of Carrabelle, was the overwhelming choice of Democrats and Republicans alike, receiving nearly 60 percent of the vote countywide, as he defeated his chief contender, Wakulla County Sheriff's Office Capt. Cliff Carroll, 49, of Eastpoint, with 33.5 percent of the vote. H. Jeff Vonier, 69, of Eastpoint, attracted just 6.7 percent of voter support.

All the other incumbent constitutional officers were returned to office without an election, with the exception of property appraiser Doris Pendleton retired and she was succeeded by her deputy, Rhonda Skipper in that office, again without a contested election.

In November, where the country reelected President Barack Obama, Franklin County showed a decidedly Republican streak in its voting preferences.

In Congressional District 2, incumbent Steve Southerland, R-Panama City, won almost 59 percent support among county voters, as he fended off a stiff challenge from Al Lawson, D-Tallahassee.

In the race for County Commission District 1, which encompasses Eastpoint and St. George Island, incumbent Pinki Jackel, 54, who four years ago became the first Republican in modern times to win a county commission seat, easily outdistanced her Democratic

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PUBLIC NOTICE

THE FRANKLIN COUNTY ADVISORY BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING ON MONDAY, JANUARY 7, 2013, AT 10:00 A.M. IN THE COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING ROOM OF THE FRANKLIN COUNTY COURTHOUSE ANNEX TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING VARIANCES, APPEALS AND SPECIAL EXCEPTIONS:

1. CONSIDERATION OF A REQUEST FOR A VARIANCE TO CONSTRUCT A SINGLE FAMILY DWELLING 12 FEET INTO THE FRONT SETBACK LINE, 29 FEET INTO THE CRITICAL HABITAT ZONE, AND TO CONSTRUCT A WOODEN SEAWALL FIVE FEET FROM BOTH SIDE LOT LINES AND SEAWARD OF THE HOUSE IN THE CRITICAL HABITAT ZONE WITH ANGLE TERMINATION WALLS TO EXTEND TO THE PROPERTY LINE ON BOTH SIDE LOT LINES. REQUEST PROPOSED FOR 1025 GULF SHORE BOULEVARD, LOT 29, PENINSULAR POINT, UNIT 7, ALLIGATOR POINT, FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA. REQUEST SUBMITTED BY BERT BOLDT, OWNER.
2. RECONSIDERATION OF A REQUEST FOR A VARIANCE TO CONSTRUCT A ROCK REVETMENT WITHIN THE CRITICAL HABITAT ZONE ON PROPERTY DESCRIBED AS LOT 5, SAVANNAH COVE, ST. GEORGE ISLAND, FLORIDA. REQUEST SUBMITTED BY RICKY MOSELEY, AGENT FOR JOSEPH AND KELLY RYSAVY, OWNERS.

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ACTING AS THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT WILL ADDRESS THIS REQUEST AT THEIR REGULAR MEETING ON JANUARY 15, 2013.

*Persons wishing to comment may do so in person or in writing to the Franklin County Planning & Zoning Department, 34 Forbes Street, Suite 1, Apalachicola, FL 32320. Transactions of this hearing will not be recorded, persons wishing to record the proceedings must make the necessary arrangements for recording.

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF INTENT IS GIVEN THAT FRANKLIN COUNTY WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING ON JANUARY 15, 2013 AT 11:00 A.M. TO CONSIDER ADOPTING AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE EXISTING FIRE PROTECTION AND RESCUE SERVICES MUNICIPAL BENEFIT UNIT ORDINANCES FOR THE PURPOSE OF CREATING SEVEN SEPARATE FIRE PROTECTION AND RESCUE SERVICES DISTRICTS IN FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA AND TO AUTHORIZE THE GOVERNING BODY TO AUTHORIZE FIRE PROTECTION AND RESCUE SERVICE ASSESSMENTS WITHIN THE DISTRICTS THAT MAY DIFFER FROM DISTRICT TO DISTRICT BASED ON THE COST OF PROVIDING FIRE PROTECTION AND RESCUE SERVICES WITHIN EACH DISTRICT

Notice is hereby given that on January 15, 2013 at 11:00 a.m. (ET) at 34 Forbes Street, Apalachicola, Florida at the Courthouse Annex, the Franklin County Board of County Commissioners will hold a public hearing to consider adopting an ordinance captioned as follows:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING

ORDINANCE 96-8 TO CREATE SEVEN MUNICIPAL SERVICE BENEFIT DISTRICTS PURSUANT TO SECTION 125.01 OF THE FLORIDA STATUTE FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING FIRE PROTECTION AND RESCUE SERVICES, CREATING SEVEN FIRE AND RESCUE DISTRICTS AND THEIR BOUNDARIES, PROVIDING A PURPOSE; PROVIDING A TERM OF THE UNITS, PROVIDING A GOVERNING BODY, PROVIDING FOR FIRE PROTECTION AND RESCUE SERVICE ASSESSMENTS; PROVIDING THAT FIRE PROTECTION AND RESCUE SERVICE ASSESSMENTS MAY DIFFER AMONG THE DISTRICTS BASED ON THE REASONABLE COST OF PROVIDING FIRE PROTECTION AND RESCUE SERVICES WITHIN EACH FIRE AND RESCUE DISTRICT, COLLECTIONS AND FUND, PROVIDING FOR CONTRACTING FOR SERVICES, PROVIDING SEVERABILITY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE, AND AMENDING ORDINANCE 98-8 WHICH PROVIDED FOR EXPIRATION AND RENEWAL OF LIENS ASSESSED AGAINST PROPERTY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE

A copy of the proposed ordinance is on file with the Clerk of Court, 33 Market Street, Apalachicola, Florida and may be viewed there.

Interested Persons may appear at the meeting and be heard with respect to the proposed ordinance.

Any party who may wish to appeal the decision made at this public hearing is responsible for making a verbatim transcript of the hearing.

Those persons requiring assistance to attend the meeting must call deputy clerk Michael Moron at 850-653-8861 x100 at least three business days before the meeting to make arrangements.

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The state softball tournament was again a hit at Carrabelle's Will Kendrick Park in July.

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challenger Tony Shiver, 52, to secure a second term.

In District 5, which includes portions of Eastpoint east into Carrabelle, Democrat William Massey, 53, swamped by a better than three-to-one margin his opponent, Hank Garrett, 48, who ran without party affiliation.

In the August primary, Massey had defeated longtime county commissioner Bevin Putnal, who first took office on Nov. 16, 1992.

"It's been a pleasure serving with this board," he said. "It's kind of like family. You're gonna fuss and fight but you come together to solve other people's problems."

— By DAVID ADLERSTEIN

Sports: It's a girl's world

6 It was a big year for girls sports in Franklin County.

In only the fourth year having a girls soccer program, the Lady Seahawks

won the school's first-ever district crown in January, triumphing 3-1 in a thrilling match against Rocky Bayou on penalty picks after two sudden-death overtimes.

The team then secured a 3-1 win at home over Hamilton County 3-1 in the regional quarterfinals. Coach Kelli Maggio's team fell at home to Maclay in the regional semifinals, capping an extraordinary year.

But this soccer excitement was not the biggest girls sports event of the year.

Under the hot July sun, Franklin County's Debs softball team took top honors at the Florida Dixie Softball Tournament, held in their home county in Carrabelle.

The under-18 age girls squad, under coach Kevin Newell, mowed down the opposition to earn a berth in the 2012 World Series, August 3-9, in Powhatan, Va. The five-day event, held at Fighting Creek Park, attracted 24 teams, comprising the 16 to 18 year-old Debs and 13 to 15 year old Belles, made up of

288 softball players from 11 states.

— By DAVID ADLERSTEIN

Health care shake-up

7 As always, the financial situation of Weems Memorial Hospital was of top interest throughout the year, although 2012 was more tumultuous than usual.

The year began with an interim CEO as the hospital sought to keep its footing as it coped with unpaid bills, and rising health care costs.

By the time county budget time came around, the hospital was seeking about \$1.46 million in county help for its hospital, clinic and ambulance operations, about half



RAY BRONSWORTH

from sales tax proceeds and the remainder from property tax receipts.

In terms of both the main Apalachicola facility as well as the Weems East urgent care clinic in Carrabelle, hospital operations were projected to be about \$957,000 in the red for the next fiscal year, which runs from Oct. 1 through Sept. 30.

Of Weems' \$957,000 shortfall, about \$161,248 was due to losses at Weems East, which was losing about \$15,000 per

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Opinion

Old-time recipes from Dan Sangaree's day book

Eating habits change, and so do recipes. Dan Sangaree, 100 years old, was a movie theater manager, an orchid grower and a cooking contest winner. He offered the Apalachicola Municipal Library a copy of his very old daybook, which contains recipes and home remedies.



An envelope dated Jan. 8, 1892 contained these recipes:

Johnny Cake: 1 teacup of flour; 1 tablespoon sugar; 1 teaspoon soda; 2 teaspoons cream of tartar; 3 teaspoons baking powder; 1 pint milk; 1 egg. Make thick as batter with Indian meal.

Duff or Boiled Pudding: 1 or 2 eggs; 2 cups flour; 1 teaspoon baking powder; pinch of soda; 1 teaspoon vanilla; 1 teaspoon sugar; 1 cup raisins, soaked in hot water. Mix flour, baking powder, soda and sugar. Then moisten with beaten eggs and vanilla. Drain raisins and add to mixture. Turn into small sack and boil about 2 or 2½ hours until done. **Hard Sauce:** 1/3 cup butter; 1 cup sugar; 2 tablespoons hot water; 1 teaspoon vanilla and a little nutmeg, grated. Put in pot and heat. Or for plain sauce, use 1 can condensed milk, ½ can water and grated nutmeg.

Blackberry Wine: Mash ½ bushel of berries. Let stand for 30 hours. Strain the juice two or three times. In 1-gallon juice, put 3½ pounds brown sugar and 1 quart boiling water. Let stand in a cask with a piece of muslin over the month until October. Draw off in bottles and cork tightly. Then it is ready for use.

How to cook a ham: Take a large fat ham, weighing from 20 to 25 pounds. Parboil, then skin it. Take 1 teaspoon powdered mace, 1 teaspoon black pepper, 2 teaspoons cloves, 2 teaspoons allspice, ¼ teaspoon cayenne pepper. Mix the spices with enough brown sugar to cover top of ham 1 inch thick; put the ham in large dripping pan, into which pour 2 quarts of port wine. Cook in hot oven. Baste frequently, until ham absorbs the wine.

Tea cakes: 3 cups sugar; 1 cupful butter or lard; pinch

of salt; 3 eggs; 1 cup sour milk with 1 teaspoon soda dissolved in it. ½ teaspoon nutmeg; lemon extract to taste; stir in flour until too thick to stir, then work with hands; flour enough to roll out; roll thin; sugar over top before baking, then bake in hot oven.

Oat Meal Drink: Boiling water poured on oat meal and flavored with lemon peel. This drink is recommended to those who are undergoing great bodily labor.

Things worth knowing

The toughest fowl may be made tender by putting in cold water, plenty of it, and letting it cook 4 or 5 hours.

An excellent face powder: Prepared chalk, 1 ounce; carbonate of magnesia, ½ ounce; pulverized chalk ½ ounce; carmine, 3 grams.

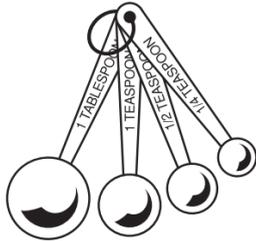
For thirst in fever: paint the tongue of the patient with glycerine.

To stop bleeding: Powdered rice sprinkled upon lint and applied to wound.

For intense itching: bathe in salt water; dry with coarse towel and rub with sweet oil.

No name treatment for whatever ails you: three oranges, two lemons, three grapefruit. Grind up; add 1 quart water and let sit 10 hours. Strain. Add 3 tablespoons cream of tartar; 3 tablespoons Epsom salts. Take 2 tablespoons before meals 3 times a day.

Cholera mixture: Take equal parts of cayenne, tincture of opium, tincture of rhubarb, essence of peppermint and spirits of camphor. Mix well. Dose 15 to 30 drops in a wineglass of water, according to the age and violence of the attack. Repeat every 15 to 20 minutes until relief is obtained.



Commit to emergency preparedness in 2013!

Special to the Times

This year was characterized by extremely active and devastating weather events across the country: flooding in the Southeast as a result of Tropical Storm Debby and Hurricane Isaac, wildfires across the Midwest and Hurricane Sandy, which devastated parts of the Northeast and was the second-largest Atlantic storm on record.

As 2012 comes to a close and people make resolutions for the new year, the Federal Emergency Management Agency and the Florida Division of Emergency Management are encouraging everyone to Resolve to be Ready in 2013 by committing to emergency preparedness.

“While Florida is known as the most hurricane-prone state in the nation, there are an abundance of severe weather threats that require all Floridians to be prepared year-round,” said FDEM Director Bryan W. Koon. “Making emergency preparedness a resolution for your family or business is a great way to get motivated and be prepared for whatever 2013 may bring to the Sunshine State.”

As we have seen in 2012, including the recent severe weather affecting many parts of the country during the holidays, disasters can strike anytime, anywhere, and being prepared is one of the most effective things we can do to protect our homes, businesses and loved ones. Resolve to be Ready in 2013 is a nationwide effort to increase awareness and encourage individuals, families, businesses and communities to take action and prepare for emergencies in the new year.

“Resolve to be Ready is one New Year’s resolution you’ll want to keep,” said FEMA Region IV Administrator Phil May. “There

are simple steps you can take to prepare for emergencies, such as putting together an emergency supply kit and creating a family emergency plan. Taking these steps will help keep you and your family safe, and could be the most important pledge you make.”



By making a resolution to take a few simple steps in advance, people can minimize the effects of an emergency on their families, homes and businesses. To take the pledge, visit www.ready.gov/resolve or www.listo.gov, which includes free information, checklists and guidelines about how to put together a kit and make a plan.

Here are a few important tips to get you started:

*** Be informed.** Know the hazards and risks in your area and learn what you need to do to get ready for them. One way you can do this is by signing up to receive information on your mobile device. Here are a few agency websites that offer timely information: FDEM, FEMA, American Red Cross, National Weather Service

*** Make a family emergency plan** so you know how you would communicate with and find your loved ones when a disaster strikes. Think about how you would reach your kids at school or your spouse at work. If you had to evacuate, where would you go? Thinking this through in advance will make a big difference.

*** Build two emergency supply kits,** one for home and one for the car, that include water, food and first aid supplies to help you survive if you lose power or are stranded in your car. This is especially important for dealing with icy roads and snowstorms this winter.

*** Get involved.** Be an advocate and educator for safety and emergency preparedness within your community. Contact your local Citizen Corps.

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Phil May

FEMA Region IV Administrator

*** Spread the word** to your loved ones and encourage them to Resolve to be Ready in 2013. Anyone can learn more by visiting Ready.gov or Listo.gov.

To learn more about severe weather in Florida, visit www.FloridaDisaster.org or www.kidsgetaplan.com, and follow FDEM on Twitter at @FLSERT, on Facebook at www.Facebook.com/FloridaSERT and on Google+ at FLSERT.

FEMA’s mission is to support our citizens and first responders to ensure that as a nation we work together to build, sustain, and improve our capability to prepare for, protect against, respond to, recover from and mitigate all hazards.

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION NOTICE OF CUSTOMER SERVICE HEARING AND TECHNICAL HEARING

TO
WATER MANAGEMENT SERVICES, INC.
OFFICE OF PUBLIC COUNSEL
AND
ALL OTHER INTERESTED PERSONS
DOCKET NO. 110200-WU
APPLICATION FOR INCREASE IN WATER RATES IN FRANKLIN COUNTY
BY WATER MANAGEMENT SERVICES, INC.
ISSUED December 27, 2012

NOTICE is hereby given that the Florida Public Service Commission will hold customer service and technical hearings in the above docket on the application for increase in water rates in Franklin County by Water Management Services, Inc. (WMSI). By order No. PSC-12-0030-PCO-WU, issued January 19, 2012, the commission approved interim rates subject to refund with interest. The final rates and any need for a refund will be determined only after full evidentiary hearings are held on the Utility’s rate case application. The customer service hearings will commence at the time and location shown below and will continue until all witnesses have been heard. Members of the public who wish to present testimony are urged to appear promptly at each scheduled customer service hearing time because the hearing may be adjourned early if no witnesses are present to testify.

The date, time, and location of the hearing is:

10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, January 16, 2013
St. George Island Volunteer Fire Department
324 E. Pine Avenue
Eastpoint,* FL 32328-2831

*Although the address shows Eastpoint, the location is on St. George Island itself.

Thursday, January 17, 2013 has also been reserved for the continuation of the technical hearing if needed. The starting time of the next day’s session will be announced at the conclusion of the prior day. The hearing may be adjourned early if all the testimony is concluded.

CUSTOMER SERVICE HEARING

Customers will be given the opportunity to present testimony at the beginning of the morning session on Wednesday, January 16, 2013 (10:00 a.m.). Additionally, an evening session will be held beginning at 6:00 p.m., on Wednesday, January 16, 2013 for the purpose of hearing testimony from customers who were unable to attend the prior session. The customer testimony will be a part of the evidence presented in the formal hearing.

All customers wishing to testify are urged to be present at the beginning of the sessions since the sessions may be adjourned early if no customers are present.

PURPOSE AND PROCEDURE

The purpose of the customer service and technical hearing shall be to take testimony, to include customer testimony, on the utility’s application for increase in water rates in Franklin County. The procedure at these hearings shall be as follows: Any pending motions will first be addressed and then members of the public may present testimony on the issues identified by the parties at the prehearing conference held on January 9, 2013. At the conclusion of each portion of the customer’s testimony, technical witnesses will present testimony in the order set forth in the Prehearing Order. All witnesses shall be subject to cross examination at the conclusion of their testimony.

JURISDICTION

Jurisdiction over this Utility is vested in the Commission by Chapter 367, Florida Statutes. Authority to approve increased rates is governed by Sections 367.081, 367.082, 367.0816, 367.101, and 367.171, Florida Statutes. The provisions of Chapters 25-9, 25-22, 25-30, and 28-106, Florida Administrative Code, are also applicable.

Any person requiring some accommodation at this hearing because of a physical impairment should call the Office of Commission Clerk at (850) 413-6770, at least 48 hours prior to the hearing. Any person who is hearing or speech impaired should contact the Florida Public Service Commission by using the Florida Relay Service, which can be reached at 1-800-955-8771 (TDD).

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month, or about \$180,000 annually.

By year's end, though, the hospital had brought in Dr. Gene Charbonneau and two advanced registered nurse practitioners, Dana Whaley and Susan Hardin, and added additional hours to improve the financial picture.

The biggest news at Weems was hiring of a seasoned hospital executive from Iowa to take over the reins, opting for Ray Brownsworth, 58, of Sigourney, Iowa. He succeeds interim CEO Cindy Drapal, Weems' chief nursing officer.

In addition to developments at Weems, the health department established a dental clinic in Carrabelle, a major outreach funded through a combination of government and private sector funds.

Carrabelle throttles the bottle

8 A showdown between religious values and economic



HOMER McMILLIAN

interests took place in Carrabelle last year.

The question: Where can alcohol be served in the city?

In December 2011, the city commission heard the first reading of a proposed city ordinance, No. 450, which would have allowed for case-by-case city review of requested liquor licenses.

This ordinance would have replaced an existing law requiring a 500 foot buffer around churches, schools and playgrounds. Introduction ordinance No. 450 led to threats, animosity and posturing on three subsequent occasions.

Originally scheduled for Jan. 5, the ordinance's second reading was postponed until March, after it was greeted by fierce opposition from Carrabelle religious leaders, notably Homer

McMillan, pastor of the Fellowship Baptist Church in December.

Because the ordinance raised passionate arguments from the both businesses and religious groups, Carrabelle commissioners called for a Jan. 21 workshop. About 50 people attended that gathering, which was dominated by the religious activists, led by McMillan.

He said, "If this ordinance changes, it will lead to case-by-case discussion. We have the likelihood of using city resources and the time of the commissioners. These meetings consume money. The current ordinance leads to most efficient use of city resources and it is in keeping with the policy of most cities in North Florida with similar characteristics. This change takes us outside the mainstream."

The fight resumed with a vengeance at the Feb. 1 city meeting, when more than 100 people gathered to argue about the proposed change.

Skip and Kathy Frink's fight to reopen a small café and serve wine and beer was

the catalyst that sparked the alcohol debate. At the February meeting, Skip Frink handed out copies of an aerial map of Carrabelle between 12th Street East and the foot of the Tillie Miller Bridge with an overlay showing the areas excluded from serving alcohol by ordinance No. 450.

Based on Frink's map, which he said was created by an owner of commercial property in Carrabelle, it appeared that more than half of Carrabelle's commercial property, including most of downtown, would be excluded from the sale of alcohol under the 500-foot rule.

In a telephone interview, City Manager Courtney Millender said that, while the map had not been formally adopted by the city, she viewed it as an accurate depiction of the business district and the areas of exclusion.

Business owners, including some with no direct interest in the hospitality trade and several community leaders argued that the 500 foot rule excluded

alcohol from virtually the entire business district and crippled entrepreneurs who sought to open a restaurant or rent or sell property in Carrabelle.

McMillan said Carrabelle's demographics will not support additional restaurants, and that 49 restaurants had been opened in Carrabelle in the last decade and virtually all had failed.

Carrabelle Chamber of Commerce Director Suzanne Zimmerman said she had owned two restaurants and believed visitors to the area expected to order wine or beer with a meal.

Builder Shawn Oxendine said, "Is this going to be Carrabelle under Prohibition? I'm asking these men of God if it says anywhere in the Bible that it is illegal to drink or take a sip of wine. I wish they would show it to me

Do you want to shut the whole city down? This is not a few selective properties; it's almost the whole commercial district."

At the Feb. 1 meeting, McMillan displayed a petition which he said opposed

ordinance No. 450, but members of the audience argued that the petition had been misrepresented to many of those who signed.

After the discussion was tabled, the planning and zoning board (P&Z) came back to the Carrabelle Commission at their April meeting with a proposed alternative that would have created zones where beer and wine only could be served in restaurants that eared over 51 percent of their income through food sales.

P&Z board member Rod Gasche resigned after the commission dismissed the proposal with very little discussion when Mayor Curley Messer demanded a vote to bring the debate to an end.

Carrabelle commissioners voted 3-2 to keep in place the law that places a 500-foot buffer zone around churches, schools and playgrounds. Commissioners Charlotte Schneider and Cal Allen were opposed.

— By LOIS SWOBODA

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

The Franklin County Board of County Commissioners will receive proposals until 4:30 p.m. Eastern Time on Monday, January 14, 2013, at the office of:

Marcia M. Johnson
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2. A flat monthly fee for all services described above.

All proposals will include the following:

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All proposals shall be from members in good standing with the Florida Bar.

Please provide **seven** copies of this proposal.

Franklin County reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals, with or without cause, to waive technicalities, or to accept proposals which, in its sole judgment best serve the needs of Franklin County. The Franklin County Board of County Commissioners will review all proposals at an open meeting to be scheduled. Those selected will be notified by the Clerk's Office.

All proposals will be marked on the outside of the sealed envelope:
LEGAL PROPOSAL.

BIRTHDAY



Easton Brice Johnson turns 2

On Dec. 31, 2012, not only were we celebrating a wonderful year in review, but also an amazing little boy turned another year older!

His contagious smile and loving personality warms our hearts and fills our lives with joy! Happy Birthday Big boy!

Easton Brice Johnson is the son of Brett and Carrie Johnson, and little brother to big sister Averie Johnson.

His maternal grandparents are Beckie Jones of Apalachicola, the late Scott Andrew McDaniel of Columbus, Ga., and Chris and Judy Griffin of Phenix City, Ala. His maternal great-grandparents are the late Steven and Elisabeth Freeman, of Midland, Ga., and C.E. "Red" and JoAnn McDaniel of Columbus, Ga.

His paternal grandparents are Robbie and Marcia Johnson, of Apalachicola. Paternal great-grandparents are the late Paul and Inez Johnson of Apalachicola and Bill and Burnell Martina, also of Apalachicola.

Philaco elves spread cheer this year

Special to The Times

The Philaco Conservation Committee decorated and sold living red cedar Christmas trees to benefit the Florida Wild Mammal Association for the third consecutive year. Almost 80 trees were sold, raising more than \$1,300 in donations.

The effort received special assistance from Frederick Kahler of Apalachicola, who promoted the trees on Facebook under his own initiative. Five trees left at the end of the sale were donated to the St. James Rehabilitation Center.

The conservation committee wishes to thank all of the Gibson Inn, Café Con Leche, the Apalachicola Times, Centennial Bank and Downtown Books for displaying the trees; the volunteers who sold them and the kind people who took a tree home. Remember to water your tree and plant it outside when the holidays are done.

Over the entire holiday season, members of the Philaco have participated in fundraisers including cookbook and bake sales to raise funds to support the Philaco scholarship awarded to a Franklin County high school senior each year.



SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

Working at the Holy Family Senior Center, pictured above, from left, Kathy Sadler and Heather McClain of Centennial Bank assist Monica Lemieux, Marilyn Hogan and Joan Head of the Philaco Woman's Club Home Life Committee in preparing fruit trays for distribution to Meals on Wheels recipients in cooperation with Gulfside IGA. The distribution of fruit trays is a time honored tradition for the club.

PET OF THE WEEK

St. Joseph Bay Humane Society



BUDDY & PRINCESS!

BUDDY and PRINCESS are litter mates and a bonded pair that can not be separated. They are beautiful little long hair Chihuahua's but need just the right situation. Their new home should be a quiet home. The shelter is stressing them terribly. There can be other small dogs but no small children in the home.

Most importantly, whoever adopts them must be patient, especially with the male. He is nervous but when you gain his trust, a sweet little lap dog. If you fit the bill PLEASE consider adopting these two!

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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 to see more of our adoptable pets.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

On December 4, 2012, 3G Broadcasting, Inc., filed an application with the Federal Communications Commission for consent to assign the broadcast license of radio station WOYS, operating on 100.5 mhz at Apalachicola, FL, to East Bay Broadcasting, Inc.

Bonnie and Kenneth Gomes are the officers, directors and shareholders of 3G Broadcasting, Inc.

Robert M. and Lena M. Allen are the officers, directors, and shareholders of East Bay Broadcasting, Inc

A complete copy of the application is available for public inspection during regular business hours at 35 Island Drive, Suite 16, Eastpoint, Florida 32328.

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Notice of Vacancy
 Franklin County Tourist Development Council Board Member

The Franklin County Tourist Development Council is composed of nine members appointed by the Franklin County Board of Commissioners. Anyone interested in being considered for this volunteer position is encouraged to send a letter of interest and qualifying resume to the FCTDC at the address below.

This is a volunteer position with no financial compensation. Board members are required to attend regular board meetings and are expected to participate in the Committee activities of the Board.

Prospective applicants must be engaged in a tourist-related business and must be a resident of Franklin County. All members of the council shall be electors of the county. Interested persons should reply no later than February 1, 2013. A recommendation will be forwarded to the Franklin County Commission for their consideration. Applications may be submitted to:

Franklin County Tourist Development Council
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Lanark NEWS

Plenty to do at Chillas Hall in new year

First of all, I'd like to thank you for all the cards, phone calls and presents both for Christmas and my birthday. I really enjoyed them.



LANARK NEWS
Jim Welsh

I got a card from Diane Hubanks' sister Ruthie. She sent Diane's new address: Waunakee Manor Health Care, 801 Klein Drive, Waunakee, WI, 53597. Diane would love to hear from you.

Weren't those shrimp and goodies great! We had a nice steady crowd at Chillas Hall on New Year's morning. Bill Peterson did the shrimp, and the other goodies were from other residents. Yum! Yum!

Spent New Year's Eve between Chillas Hall and Camp Gordon Johnston American Legion Post 82. Had a great time! Did you get some chances on the Merchandise Certificate while you were at the Legion? The drawing for the \$100 certificate will be Super Bowl Sunday.

The certificate is from Lanark Market, and you can get chances there also. Oh, by the way, it was plenty after 10 when I got home, again this year.

Mark your calendar for Saturday, Jan. 5.

Members of the Lanark Golf Club will prepare and serve your breakfast at Chillas Hall. Serving will start at 8:30 a.m. and end at 11 a.m. See ya there!

The monthly meeting of the Lanark Village association will be Monday, Jan. 7, at Chillas Hall. Board will meet at 6 p.m., membership meeting at 7 p.m.

I just know you are ready for Wednesday, Jan. 9. The doors to Chillas Hall open at 6 p.m., bingo at 6:30. Come join us for an evening of fun and refreshments. Door prizes, Pot O Gold and pie drawings, also. Be watching for you.

Hip, Hip Hooray! The lunches will start up again today, Jan. 3. Serving begins at noon. Come and enjoy lunch with your friends and neighbors. A big round of applause and thank you for the volunteers that made this happen.

Be kind to one another, check in on the sick and housebound, and I hope you have a good New Year.

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

The following is a list of those whose deaths were recorded in Times obituaries over the past year. May their memories serve as reassurance and inspiration of lives well lived.

In Memory



JACK TAYLOR

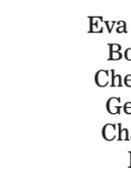
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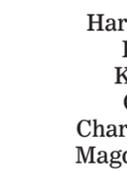
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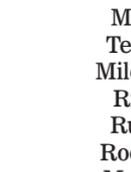
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Obituaries

Donnie Leroy Davis

Donnie Leroy Davis, 68, of Forsyth, Ga., and formerly of Danville, Ill., passed away at 4:36 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 14, 2012, at Provena United Samaritans Medical Center.



DONNIE LEROY DAVIS

Donnie was born Aug. 27, 1944, in Hamburg, Ark., the son of Luther O. and Zora L. Roark.

He married Edeltraud Heininger in 1964, in Frankfurt, Germany. She preceded him in death on April 3, 1986.

Donnie served in the United States Army from 1961 to 1966, during which time he met his wife. Together they had three sons, Donnie Michael, Joe and Jeff Davis.

Donnie worked for General Motors in Tilton, Ill., for several years as a millwright until he retired in 1992. After retiring, he decided he was going to buy a sailboat, named it the Elisha E. and sailed to the Bahamas. He had never sailed before, and he purchased a book to teach him how to sail. Donnie became a very accomplished ship

captain and spent 10 years sailing in the Bahamas. He also would sail up to Kentucky Lake on the Tombigbee Waterway.

It was during that time he sailed into Apalachicola and met Carolyn Trest, who became his life partner; and they would share many adventures together. When Donnie decided to give up sailing the Bahamas, he purchased two shrimp boats in Apalachicola, naming one of them the Chloe E. after his other granddaughter.

Donnie spent the last five years cooking food in his food trailer. He was known for his oyster po' boys and barbecue pulled pork.

Donnie enjoyed coaching his kids' baseball teams when they were younger and watching his grandchildren play ball. He also enjoyed fishing, NASCAR, woodworking and loved cooking, especially fish fries. Donnie loved spending time with his family and friends and was known for his joking around with people. Donnie touched

so many people in his life, and his friends meant so much to him.

He is survived by three sons, Donnie Michael (Tina) Davis, of Oakwood, Ill., Joe (Julie) Davis of Danville, Ill., and Jeff (Penny) Davis of Dana, Ind.; seven grandchildren, Jerry (Ashley) Myers of San Diego, Calif., Cory (Kilee) Myers of Dana, Ind., Taylor Davis of Florence, Ky., Elisha Davis of Carbondale, Ill., Chloe Davis of Danville, Ill., Jesse Davis of Oakwood, Ill., and Trevor Davis of Danville, Ill.; one great-grandson, Dallas Myers; one brother, Bobby Ray (Sue) Davis of Danville, Ill.; one sister, Annie L. (George) White of Hillsboro, Ind.; special nephew, Homer "Skeeter" (Patty) Meyers Jr. of Hillsboro, Ind.; many other nieces, nephews and cousins; and special friends who were like his brothers, Howard Davis of Perrysville, Ind., and Butch Hathaway of Palmetto.

He also is survived by his partner, Carolyn Trest of Forsyth, Ga., and her children, James Trest of Antioch, Tenn., Nena (Shelly) Trest of

Thomaston, Ga., and Dianna (John) Kenny of Ridgeview, Ill.; eight grandchildren, Jessica Gay of Apalachicola, India Byess of Ridgeview, Ill., James Michael Trest of Apalachicola, Desiree Trest of Apalachicola, Christie Byess of Thomaston, Ga., Shana Byess of Forsyth, Ga., Michael Byess of Dallas, Ga., and Amanda Jackson; great-granddaughter, Aylah Adams, of Forsyth, Ga.; and many other great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; three brothers, Luther Deros Davis, Luther "BO" Devon Davis and Billy Joe Davis; one sister, Deloris Bridgeman; and a niece, Crystal Richardson.

Private family services were held at the Wolfe-Blurton Funeral Home in Potomac, Ill. Cremation rites have been accorded.

Memorials may be sent to the American Cancer Society, St. Jude's Children's Hospital or Riley's Children's Hospital.

Condolences may be sent to the family at www.wolfeblurtonfuneralhome.com.

Jimmy James

Jimmy James was born Feb. 27, 1922, and rose to be with the Lord on Dec. 30, 2012, at home with his family.

He was born in Apalachicola to the late Imanuel and Annie James. He moved from Apalachicola in 1951 to Port St. Joe, where he lived the remainder of his life. He retired in 1985 from Basic Chemical Company as an electrician.

After his retirement, he moved on to one of the loves of his life, shrimping and his bait business, where he became known to many as J.J. or Captain J.J.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 60 years, Iris Lovett James; and his two grandsons, Brandon James Brogdon and Benjamin Ferrell Whitfield Jr.

He leaves behind to celebrate life and to mourn his passing three daughters, Dianne Brogdon, Margo Marion (Raymond)

and Vickie Whitehead; his grandchildren, Traci Marion, Bryan Brogdon, Brandi Brogdon, Nikki Whitfield and Michael Marion; his great-grandchildren, Bubba Brogdon, Baily Brogdon and Brandon Brogdon; and two sisters, Elaine Fitzgerald of Georgetown, S.C., and Ann Estes of Crawfordville.

Jimmy was a much loved man who touched the lives of many and became known to a great many people during his lifetime. He will be missed by many.

Following Jimmy's wishes, memorialization will be by cremation. Services provided by Comforter Funeral Home.

There will be a memorial service at 3 p.m. ET Monday, Jan. 7, 2013, at Oak Grove Church in Port St. Joe.

Those who wish may make donations to Oak Grove Church in Jimmy's memory.

Quinnaland Rhodes



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Funeral services for Quinnaland Rhodes will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 5 at the New Life First Born Church, at 249 14th St., Apalachicola. Viewing from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the church.

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Follow 'rule of halves' in managing for turkeys

By Tony Young
Special to the Times

Whether you oversee a large tract of land or own a smaller parcel, there are many wildlife management techniques you can use to help attract and keep wild turkeys on your property.

Wild turkeys, like deer, are "edge species," because of their need for more than one type of habitat. Most of the time, with large tracts of land, this isn't a problem because the vast landscape is diverse enough. But in the case of small-acreage, one-habitat properties, it's up to you as the landowner to create varied, preferred habitats if you expect turkeys to use the property.

For optimal turkey habitat, most experts believe a "rule of halves" should be applied to the landscape. What that means is that half of the area (and if you own a small tract, then include surrounding properties) should be in mature forests and the other half in early-succession openings, such as fields or clear-cut and plantation-cut landscapes.

To create even better and more varied habitats for turkeys, you should offer differing age classes of forests and early-succession areas – and make prescribed burning a big part of your management plan. This will enable new growth of succulent, woody ornamentals, native grasses and weedy-type flowers.

Hardwood lowlands provide travel corridors that turkeys and deer use extensively and feel comfortable moving through. Most wild turkeys prefer to roost in trees over or near water, so it's important to leave these areas undisturbed and free from timbering.

Buffer strips of native grasses and woody ornamentals should be left unmowed where clear-cut areas meet pine or hardwood forests. Hens require this thick

understory cover for nesting.

In Florida, most hens begin laying their eggs in late March or early April and the eggs take about 25 days to hatch, so take care

not to burn or mow through August. After hatching, poults will roost on the ground for the first 14 days, and during this period, approximately 70 percent of these young birds won't survive, primarily because of predation from raccoons, hawks, coyotes, foxes and bobcats.

Attempts to control these predators are usually ineffective and economically unfeasible, so your efforts are better spent creating and maintaining good-quality brood habitat.

Good brood habitat should hold food in the form of seeds, insects and tender, new-growth vegetation for young poults to feed upon throughout the summer. It should consist of 1- to 3-foot-tall grass and weeds open enough to enable the young poults to move about, yet dense enough to provide cover from the above-mentioned predators.

There is great interest nationally in the planting of food plots for wildlife, including for turkeys. Within extensive closed-canopy forested areas, food plots and/or game feeders are essential to keeping turkeys on your property. Where an open forest structure is maintained by adequate timber thinning and the use of fire, such supplemental feeding is not as necessary because there is enough natural browse vegetation on which game can feed.

On very large tracts of land, sufficient supplemental feeding can be quite expensive. In these cases, proper use of burning and timber-thinning management are more economical ways of providing food for turkeys and other wildlife. Food plots, though, are a lot more cost-effective at



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feeding game than using feeders on moderate-sized pieces of property. In cases of smaller tracts, perhaps where food plots can't be utilized because the landscape is all lowland and you have a closed canopy, game feeders filled with corn or soybeans are your only option for attracting turkeys.

When thinking about good food plot sites, avoid excessively wet or dry areas, and don't place them along heavily used roads to minimize disturbance and possible poaching.

Look to create these openings along an edge where upland pines meet a hardwood drain. This way, you'll have an area where three separate habitats converge. Keep in mind that it is recommended that 2 percent to 3 percent of the land should be in these permanent openings.

The best food plots are long and narrow rectangular shapes that follow the contour of the land. When possible, create food plots where the length (longest part) runs east to west. That way, the planted crops will receive the most direct sunlight.

In the fall, cereal grains like wheat, oats and rye can be planted along with Austrian winter peas, clover and brassicas like turnips, rape and kale. Except for clover, these crops grow well in most of Florida.

Clover requires a higher soil pH – between 6.5 and 7 – and it often won't grow in

the sandy soils that make up most of our state, unless you apply enough lime to bring the pH level up. In the northern-tiered counties that border Alabama and Georgia, the soil is richer with red clay, and several varieties of clover and other legumes will grow well there.

All of the above-mentioned cool-season forages can be planted by "broadcast" method after Oct. 1. At least twice as much fertilizer should be applied. Slightly cover the seed by pulling a drag over it, and try to put your crop in the ground when the soil is holding some moisture and rain is in the forecast.

In the spring after May 1, you can plow under your "browned-up" fall crop and replace it with any combination of soybeans, cowpeas, browntop millet, sorghum or peanuts. If you can afford it, turkeys are especially fond of chufa. That, along with the other warm-season forages, can be broadcasted and planted just like the cool-weather crops.

Hopefully, using some or all of these wildlife-management practices will help bring in turkeys and increase your property's carrying capacity for birds. If you need assistance, contact the FWC's Landowner Assistance Program, the National Wild Turkey Federation, Natural Resources Conservation Service or your county agricultural extension

agent. Here's wishing you luck obtaining your management goals and objectives.

Tony Young has many years of experience managing turkeys, deer and timber on private properties in the

Panhandle. He's an avid turkey hunter, and before he was the media relations coordinator for the FWC's Division of Hunting and Game Management, he worked seven years for the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.

WEEKLY ALMANAC

Date	High	Low	% Precip
Thu, Jan. 03	61°	38°	40 %
Fri, Jan. 04	60°	38°	10 %
Sat, Jan. 05	60°	41°	0 %
Sun, Jan. 06	62°	44°	0 %
Mon, Jan. 07	63°	42°	0 %
Tues, Jan. 08	63°	42°	0 %
Wed, Jan. 09	63°	41°	0 %

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
3	Th	5:34am 1.4	6:35pm 1.9	10:56am 0.2	
4	Fr	6:56am 1.3	7:06pm 2.1	12:36am 0.5	11:31am 0.5
5	Sa	8:45am 1.1	7:41pm 2.1	1:57am 0.2	12:09pm 0.8
6	Su	11:09am 1.1	8:22pm 2.1	3:18am -0.2	12:52pm 1.0
7	Mo	9:12pm 2.2		4:29am -0.5	
8	Tu	2:26pm 1.6	10:09pm 2.2	5:30am -0.8	4:04pm 1.4
9	We	3:03pm 1.8	11:10pm 2.2	6:25am -1.1	5:24pm 1.6
10	Th	3:35pm 1.8		7:14am -1.3	6:25pm 1.4
11	Fr	12:12am 2.4	4:03pm 1.8	7:59am -1.3	7:18pm 1.3
12	Sa	1:11am 2.4	4:28pm 1.8	8:40am -1.1	8:08pm 1.1
13	Su	2:08am 2.2	4:49pm 1.8	9:17am -0.8	8:57pm 1.0
14	Mo	3:03am 2.1	5:10pm 1.8	9:50am -0.6	9:49pm 0.6
15	Tu	3:59am 1.9	5:30pm 1.8	10:19am -0.3	10:45pm 0.5

CARRABELLE

Date	Day	High Tide	High Tide	Low Tide	Low Tide
3	Mo	3:35am 2.2	6:41pm 2.1	10:26am -0.3	10:58pm 1.4
4	Tu	4:29am 2.1	7:12pm 2.1	11:01am -0.2	
5	We	5:34am 1.8	7:42pm 2.1	12:06am 1.3	11:41am 0.2
6	Th	6:58am 1.6	8:13pm 2.1	1:21am 1.0	12:26pm 0.5
7	Fr	8:43am 1.4	8:44pm 2.2	2:36am 0.6	1:17pm 0.8
8	Sa	10:42am 1.4	9:17pm 2.2	3:42am 0.3	2:18pm 1.1
9	Su	12:32pm 1.6	9:54pm 2.4	4:41am -0.2	3:26pm 1.4
10	Mo	1:56pm 1.9	10:35pm 2.4	5:35am -0.5	4:33pm 1.6
11	Tu	2:58pm 1.9	11:21pm 2.6	6:27am -0.8	5:33pm 1.8
12	We	3:49pm 2.1		7:16am -1.1	6:26pm 1.8
13	Th	12:11am 2.6	4:31pm 2.1	8:05am -1.1	7:15pm 1.8
14	Fr	1:03am 2.7	5:08pm 1.9	8:51am -1.1	8:05pm 1.6
15	Sa	1:58am 2.6	5:39pm 1.9	9:36am -1.0	8:58pm 1.4

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Students raising funds to fight litter

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On Dec. 23, Heidi Montgomery and members of Students Against Plastic Pollution bagged groceries and sold cupcakes at the Apalachicola Piggly Wiggly to raise money for a billboard reminding people not to litter.

Since the beginning of the school year, Montgomery and about a dozen of her students have met twice a month to collect trash. Last spring, they raised \$1,400 to post a sign on the Eastpoint waterfront for three months reminding people that plastic pollution is a problem.

The group was not able to raise enough money to keep that billboard in place, but they are working hard to post another reminder.

The Apalachicola Rotary

Club and the Apalachicola National Estuarine Research Reserve each donated several hundred dollars for the first sign and both have promised support for the new sign as well.

Montgomery said she is seeking funds or suggestions for fundraisers.

Other projects Montgomery would like to see funded include a "bring your own bag" incentive program at local grocery stores, installation of filtered water bottle fillers for the schools so kids will have options other than disposable water bottles and the sale of metal water bottles and canvas shopping bags with the SAPP logo to raise funds. They hope a business or individual will come forward to provide seed money for one or more of these initiatives.

SAPP does not have a logo yet and is looking for an artist to design one pro bono.



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Laura Gallegos was one of the students raising funds for Students Against Plastic Pollution.

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Freshwater

Bream and shellcracker, crappie and catfish are all being caught in good numbers in the Jackson and East rivers right now. Some crappie are being reported in Depot Creek using live minnows. With more rain on the way this week, moving water should improve the bite.

Inshore

Trout action has been steady for the past few days in and around the St. Joe area. Good reports are coming from the Sea Wall and out in front of St. Joe Marina. The I.C.W. has produced plenty of black drum, but redfish and trout are hit-and-miss right now.

Football banquet honors Seahawk seniors

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The Seahawks football programs sports banquet last month paid tribute to the 10 seniors who anchored the 2012 season squad.

"It's an honor to be the head football coach," said Coach Josh Wright, after reading off the names of the seniors Dan Carino, Skyler Hutchinson, Tevin Jones, Ladarius Rhodes, Zach Howze, Chase Golden, Direek Farmer, David Butler, Jeff Murray and Karl Sanford.

Wright delivered remarks to open the Dec. 3 banquet at the Franklin County High School cafeteria, thanking the many people who helped the football program over the past year. In addition to the many adults who were of help, he cited the water crew, who included Micah McLeod, Chance White, Mikel Register, Fisher Edwards, Hunter Kelly and Hunter Segree, and ball runner Duncan Whaley.

Special guests Walter and Jolene Armistead were presented a signed game ball for their help this past season.

Pastor David Walker spoke to the gathering on how student-athletes can have "the composition of a champion." The letter C, he said, stood for commitment and compassion, H for heart, A for accountability, M for maturity, P for perseverance, I for initia-



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Pictured with their framed jerseys are, front row, from left, Jeff Murray, Karl Sanford, assistant coaches Tim Wheeler and Ashley Teat. Back row, from left, are Coach Josh Wright, Zach Howze, Ladarius Rhodes, Tevin Jones, Direek Farmer and Skyler Hutchinson.

tive, O for opportunities, and N for natural, and for never quit.

"You're the best at being yourself," said Walker. "Be who God created you to be."

Walker told of how he has a

nephew who plays for the Pittsburgh Steelers, who works to shape who's in his inner circle: Eagles, chickens or buzzards?

In addition to the seniors, varsity letters and pins went to

Dwayne Griggs, Cole Wheeler, Stefan DeVaughn, Holden Foley, Buddy Jones, Mercuty Wynn, Logan McLeod, Trenton Lee, Cameron White, Jake Robinson, Matt Murray, Jacob Wilson, Michael

Hatfield and Mason Ray.

Special awards, based mainly on statistics went to Golden for being Top Offensive Lineman and to Griggs for being Top Offensive Back. Despite missing games due to injury, Griggs amassed 485 yards and eight touchdowns, for an average of 6.9 yards per carry.

Top Defensive Lineman honors went to Rhodes, who tallied 48 tackles, 44 of them solos. McLeod was Top Defensive Back, for a pair of interceptions and eight pass breakups.

Howze, the kicker, was Top Special Teams players, while DeVaughn was cited as Top Student Athlete for his grade point average.

Wheeler was cited as Most Improved Player, while the Coaches Award went to Sanford. "He's ahead of the pack, as a work horse goes," said Wright.

The three captains, Hutchinson, Golden and Butler were cited for their leadership, wire to wire.

The Most Valuable Player award went to Griggs, "a whirlwind of a player who, for eight games, he was at his best," said Wright.

The coach said that in addition to his offensive work, he had 21 tackles on the year, before injuring his wrist in the last game. "He went out making a phenomenal play, went up 11 feet to knock down a ball," Wright said.

FRANKLIN COUNTY YOUTH BASKETBALL PROGRAM

Youth basketball program winds up The Franklin County Youth Basketball program, under the funding and sponsorship of the county parks and recreation department, wound up play Nov. 29. Coaching the team, under the direction of Seahawks Coach Michael Sweatt, was Jeremy Williams, a 2005 Apalachicola High School graduate, with assistance from Dre Robinson and Tyron Wynn. The team went 4-4, twice defeating Hosford and downing Riversprings and Wewahitchka.

Pictured above, front row, from left are Daijon Penamon, Sean Williams, Marshall Sweet, Cash Creamer, Johnny Jones, Mckalin Huckeba and Jan Lowe. Back row, from left, are Quantavious Fuller, Josue Baharona, Kalin Wilson, Nathan Jones, Austin Mckey, Tyler Howard and Coach Jeremy Williams. Not pictured is Landon Nash.



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NOTICE TO RECEIVE SEALED BIDS

The Franklin County Board of County Commissioners will receive sealed bids from any qualified person, company or corporation interested in constructing the following project:

ST. GEORGE ISLAND PIER RESTORATION

Plans and specifications may be obtained from Preble-Rish, Inc., by calling Mr. Clay Kennedy at (850) 227-7200. Completion date for this project will be 136 days, from the date of the Notice to Proceed presented to the successful bidder. Liquidated damages for failure to complete the project on the specified date will be set at **\$300.00** per day.

A non-mandatory pre-bid conference will be held at the Franklin County Commission Chamber Room located at 34 Forbes Street, Apalachicola, Florida, at **10:00 a.m. (EDT) on January 7th, 2013.**

Bids will be received until 4:00 p.m. (EDT), on **January 14th, 2013**, at the Franklin County Clerk's Office, Franklin County Courthouse, 33 Market Street, Suite 203, Apalachicola, Florida 32320-2317, and will be opened and read aloud on **January 15th, 2013** at the County Commission meeting at 34 Forbes Street, Apalachicola, Florida. The Owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

Plans and specifications can be examined free of charge at the following locations:

- Preble-Rish, Inc., located at 324 Marina Drive, Port St. Joe, Florida 32456.

Cost for Plans and Specifications will be **\$100.00** per set and is non-refundable. Checks should be made payable to PREBLE-RISH, INC.

Please mark the bid package: **ST. GEORGE ISLAND PIER RESTORATION BID.**

Gulfside IGA PLAYER OF THE WEEK SPONSOR



Eighth grade Lady Seahawks soccer forward and midfielder Allie Kirvin caught fire in the last two games of 2012, to score five goals. On Dec. 13 at Rutherford, Kirvin took advantage of an assist from fellow eighth grader Ali Zingarelli to score the tying goal. The following day at home against Freeport, Kirvin scored four goals, bringing her total to eight goals and two assists on the season.

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Arrest REPORT

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

DEC. 23

Robert M. Johnson, 20, Apalachicola, driving while license suspended (FWC)

DEC. 28

Jimmy R. Shiver, III, 21, Eastpoint, child abuse and failure to appear (FWC)

DEC. 29

Nelson R. Flint, III, 19, St. George Island, driving while license suspended, resisting officer without violence and DUI with property damage (FHP)

Michael L. Ross, 24, Lanark Village, driving while license suspended (FHP)

DEC. 31

Tonya C. Seamon, 39, Carrabelle, resisting officer without violence, disorderly intoxication and battery (CPD) Richard S. Taylor, 25, Punta Gorda, grand retail theft and dealing in stolen property (FCSO)

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Ashley C. Thompson, 23, Carrabelle, criminal mischief (FCSO)

News BRIEFS

FREE FLU SHOTS FOR SEAFOOD WORKERS

The Franklin County Health Department will provide a free flu shot to persons who present a valid saltwater harvesting license, as well as their spouse and children.

The shots normally cost \$25. For persons 65 and older, a high dose vaccination is \$35.60. Shots are available Monday through Friday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The health department has vaccinated more than 500 people this flu season and urges everyone to get protected. For information call 653-2111.

'BUTTS AND CLUCKS' SET FOR SATURDAY

The Weems Memorial Healthcare Foundation will hold its annual "Butts and Clucks by the Bay" cookoff on Saturday, Jan. 5 from noon until 5 p.m. at Riverfront Park in downtown Apalachicola.

The foundation is sponsoring a pork butt and chicken cooking contest. Local, state and out-of-state teams can participate in this contest. Awards are given for cooking, presentation of booth, presentation of food, etc. Dinner is served to the public and an auction will be held with Harry Arnold as auctioneer. For more information or to enter call 670-8261.

APALACHICOLA OYSTER COOK-OFF JAN. 19

The third annual Oyster Cook-Off to benefit the Apalachicola Volunteer Fire Department will be held Saturday, Jan. 19. On Friday evening will be a preview of the oyster-related silent auction items, along with a sampling of Apalachicola Bay's tasty bivalves.

The cook-off on Saturday will start

at 11 a.m. Contestants are encouraged to enter with their favorite recipe. All forms of oysters will be available to taste: raw, steamed, fried. Other food items and refreshments will be available for purchase. The day's activities will include live music and dancing performances. More information will be posted soon at www.oystercookoff.com, and the event can be followed on Facebook.

SGI TOUR OF HOMES RETURNS IN 2013

A second tour of St. George Island homes is planned for Feb. 9 and will feature eight beautiful island homes, along with the Lighthouse, Keeper's House, and Plantation Club House. Tour proceeds benefit the upkeep of the Lighthouse, Keeper's House Museum, and Lighthouse Park.

The tour will showcase homes from beach to bay from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tickets will be available for \$15 in advance at the Lighthouse Gift Shop, and for \$20 on tour day in Lighthouse Park or by phone with a credit card payment.

There will be shuttle service to homes in the St. George Plantation.

Tour weekend will kick-off Friday evening, Feb. 8, with a free opening event from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Jay Abbott Firehouse, 324 East Pine Avenue.

Featured speaker will be Erik Lovestrاند from the Apalachicola National Estuarine Research Reserve, who will talk about the ecology of the Apalachicola river, bay, and estuary and its impact on St. George Island. Refreshments will be served, and participants will be eligible for a number of festive door prizes.



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89784S NOTICE UNDER FICTITIOUS NAME LAW PURSUANT TO SECTION 865.09, FLORIDA STATUTES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of Backstreet Trading Company located at 94 Market St., in the County of Franklin, in the City of Apalachicola, Florida, 32320 intends to register the said name with the Divisions of Corporations of the State Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida.

Dated at Apalachicola, Florida, this 26th day of December, 2012.

Pro Staff, Inc. Jan 3, 2013

89786T IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR LEON COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO.: 2012 CA 2203 DIVISION: CIRCUIT CIVIL

CADENCE BANK, N.A., Plaintiff, v.

S. & P.N. B., LLC; SIDNEY E. GRAY; ANGLERS HARBOR HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, LLC; UNKNOWN TENANT(S)

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Franklin Property - Lot 10, Phase I; UNKNOWN TENANT(S) Franklin Property - Lot 16, Phase I; UNKNOWN TENANT(S) Franklin Property - Lot 2, Phase II; UNKNOWN TENANT(S) Franklin Property - Lot 3, Phase II; UNKNOWN TENANT(S) Franklin Property - Lot 4, Phase II; and UNKNOWN TENANT(S) Leon Property Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45

NOTICE is given pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated December 17, 2012, in Case No. 2012 CA 2203, of the Circuit Court of the Second Judicial Circuit, in and for Leon County, Florida, in which Cadence Bank, N.A. is the Plaintiff and S.&P.N.B., LLC; Sidney E. Gray; Anglers Harbor Homeowners Association, LLC; Unknown Tenant(s) Franklin Property - Lot 10, Phase I; Unknown Tenant(s) Franklin Property - Lot 16, Phase I; Unknown Tenant(s) Franklin Property - Lot 2, Phase II; Unknown Tenant(s) Franklin Property - Lot 3, Phase II; Unknown Tenant(s) Franklin Property - Lot 4, Phase II; and Unknown Tenant(s) Leon Property, are the Defendants, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at Suite 100 of the Leon County Courthouse, in Tallahassee, Leon County, Florida at 11:00 a.m. on January 22, 2013, the property, set forth in the Final Judgment of Foreclosure, including property located in both Leon County, Florida and Franklin County, Florida (each parcel shall be sold separately), and more particularly described as follows:

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Parcel 1 Franklin County

Lots 10 & 16, Anglers Harbor, according to the map or plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 8, Page 8, Replat in Plat Book 8, Page 32 of the Public Records of Franklin County, Florida.

and

Lots 2, 3 and 4, Anglers Harbor Phase II, according to the plat thereof, recorded in Plat Book 8, Page(s) 46, of the Public Records of Franklin County, Florida.

Parcel 2 Leon County

Commence at the Northwest corner of the Northeast Quarter of Section 29, Township 1 North, Range 1 West, Leon County, Florida, run thence South 81 degrees 29 minutes West 2623.36 feet to the Eastern boundary of Capital Circle (Truck Route); thence North 00 degrees 59 minutes West along said Eastern boundary of Capital Circle 393.40 feet to a point on the Northern boundary of Tharpe Street, thence North 81 degrees 29 minutes East along said Northern boundary of Tharpe Street 2594.39 feet to a point which is the POINT OF BEGINNING. From said POINT OF BEGINNING, run thence North 08 degrees 31 minutes West 290.0 feet; thence North 81 degrees 29 minutes East 316.0 feet, thence South 08 degrees 31 minutes East 290.0 feet to a point on the Northern boundary of Tharpe Street, thence South 81 degrees 29 minutes West along the Northern boundary of Tharpe Street 316.0 feet, to the POINT OF BEGINNING.

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LESS AND EXCEPT the following described property:

Commence at the Northwest corner of the Northeast Quarter of Section 29, Township 1 North, Range 1 West, Leon County, Florida, and run thence South 81 degrees 29 minutes West 2623.36 feet to the Eastern boundary of Capital Circle (Truck Route); thence North 00 degrees 59 minutes West along said Eastern boundary of Capital Circle 393.40 feet to a point on the Northern boundary of Tharpe Street, thence North 81 degrees 29 minutes East along said Northern boundary of Tharpe Street 2594.39 feet to a concrete monument (#1254) for the POINT OF BEGINNING. From said POINT OF BEGINNING, run thence North 08 degrees 31 minutes 00 seconds West 180.00 feet to an iron rod (Set #4016), thence North 81 degrees 29 minutes 00 seconds East 200.00 feet to an iron rod (Set #4016), thence South 08 degrees 31 minutes 00 seconds East 180.00 feet to an iron rod (Set #4016) on the Northernly right of way boundary of Tharpe Street; thence South 81 degrees 29 minutes 00 seconds West along said boundary 200.00 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING.

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

DATED: December 19, 2012.

BOB INZER Clerk of the Circuit Court Tessa DeMuth Deputy Clerk

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Attorney for Plaintiff: Michael P. Bist, Gardner, Bist, Wiener, Wadsworth, Bowden, Bush, Dee, LaVia, & Wright, PA. 1300 Thomaswood, Dr. Tallahassee, Florida 32308 Jan 3, 10, 2013

89790T IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO.: 12-136 CA

CENTENNIAL BANK, an Arkansas banking corporation 12141 Panama City Beach Parkway Panama City Beach, FL 32407, Plaintiff,

v. CAROLYN WHITE and MAGNOLIA HOMEOWNER'S SOCIATION, INC., Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure, the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Franklin County, Florida, will on February 14, 2013, at 11:00 a.m. (Eastern Time) at the Franklin County Courthouse, 33 Market Street, Apalachicola, Florida 32320, in accordance with Chapter 45, Florida Statutes offer for sale, and sell to the highest and best bidder, the following described real and property situated in Franklin County, Florida:

LOT 9, BLOCK "A", MAGNOLIA BAY, ACCORDING TO THE MAP OR PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 6, PAGE 21, PUBLIC RECORDS OF FRANKLIN COUNTY,

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

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact: Franklin County Clerk of Court, 33 Market Street, Apalachicola, FL (850) 653-8861 at least 7 days before the scheduled foreclosure sale, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

WITNESS my hand and the official seal of this Honorable Court this 21st day of December, 2012.

MARICA M. JOHNSON Clerk of the Circuit Court Terry E. Creamer Deputy Clerk Jan 3, 10, 2013

91633T IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO.: 2012 CA 26

HANCOCK BANK, Plaintiff,

vs. WILLIAM R. STRICKLAND, KRISTI C. STRICKLAND, and ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER, AGAINST, THE HEREIN NAMED DEFENDANTS WHO ARE

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NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS GIVEN that, in accordance with the Plaintiff's Final Judgment dated November 28, 2012, in the above-styled cause, Marcia Johnson, Clerk of Courts for Franklin County, will sell to the highest bidder for cash at the courthouse in Franklin County in Apalachicola, Florida, in accordance with Section 45.031, Florida Statutes, at 1 1.00 A.M., on January 16, 2013, the following described property:

Parcel 1

- Part of Lot 23, Block P, Lanark Beach, Unit No. 1, according to the map or plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 2, Page 13, of the Public Records of Franklin County, Florida, more particularly described as follows:

Begin at a re-rod (marked #7160) marking the Southwest corner of Lot 23, Block P, Lanark Beach, Unit No. 1, a subdivision as per map or plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 2, Page 13 of the Public Records of Franklin County, Florida, said point also lying on the Northeasterly right-of-way boundary of Illinois Street. From said POINT OF BEGINNING run North 39 degrees 14 minutes 44 seconds West along said right-of-way boundary 50.09 feet to a concrete monument (marked #2919), thence leaving said right-of-way boundary run North 50 degrees 45 minutes 21 seconds East 90.76

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feet to a re-rod (marked #7160), thence run South 39 degrees 24 minutes 15 seconds East 50.14 feet to a re-rod (marked #7160), thence run South 50 degrees 47 minutes 04 seconds West 90.90 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING.

Parcel 2

Lot 24, Block P, Lanark Beach, Unit No. 1, according to the map or plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 2, Page 13, of the Public Records of Franklin County, Florida.

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

December 12, 2012 Marcia M. Johnson Clerk of Court

By: Terry E. Creamer Deputy Clerk January 3, 10, 2013

91691T NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Notice is hereby given that, REEL PROPERTIES, LLC, the holders of the following certificate have filed said certificate for tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property and the name in which it was assessed are as follows: Certificate No: 27 Year of issuance: 2009 Description of property: Lots 21,22,23, & 24 Block 3, Sun 'n Sand Beaches Unit #2, PARCEL NO:

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32-06S-01W-1061-0003-02 10 Name is which assessed: NANCY JO EDWARDS

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the Courthouse door on the second (1st) Monday in the month of February 2013, which is the 4th day of February 2013 at 11:00 a.m.

Dated this 17th day of December 2012.

MARCIA M. JOHNSON CLERK OF COURTS FRANKLIN COUNTY,

Cassie B. Sapp Deputy Clerk Jan. 3, 10, 17, 24, 2013

91707T IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL ACTION Case No.: 09000588CA DIVISION:

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., Plaintiff,

vs. HENRY R. NOOE, III A/K/A HENRY R. NOOE et al, Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF RESCHEDULED FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order Rescheduling Foreclosure Sale dated December 10, 2012 and entered in Case NO. 09000588CA of the Circuit Court of the SECOND Judicial Circuit in and for FRANKLIN County, Florida

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wherein BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., is the Plaintiff and HENRY R. NOOE, III A/K/A HENRY R. NOOE; FRANK J. QUINTAVALLE A/K/A FRANK QUINTAVALLE; CARRABELLE LANDINGS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.; are the Defendants. The Clerk of the Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at FRONT DOOR OF THE FRANKLIN COUNTY COURT HOUSE, 33 MARKET STREET, APALACHICOLA, FLORIDA at 11:00AM, on the 6th day of February, 2013, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment:

LOT 46, CARRABELLE LANDING, A SUBDIVISION AS PER MAP OR PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 8, PAGE 47 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA.

A/K/A LOT 46 CARRABELLE LANDING, CARRABELLE, FL 32322

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the Lis Pendens must file a claim within sixty (60) days after the sale. WITNESS MY HAND and the seal of this Court on December 10, 2013.

Marcia M. Johnson Clerk of the Circuit Court

By: Michele Maxwell Deputy Clerk

**See Americans with Disabilities Act If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact: Mr. Doug Smith, Office of Court Administration, Leon County Court-house, 301 South Monroe St., Tallahassee, FL 32301, Phone: 850-577-4401 or Fax: 850-487-7947 F10110062 January 3, 10, 2013

91711T IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA IN AND FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY CASE NO.: 12-176-CA

TYNDALL FEDERAL CREDIT UNION Plaintiff,

vs.

RYAN P. CREWS A/K/A RYAN CREWS AND CELESTE L. CREWS A/K/A CELESTE CREWS, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Franklin County, Florida, pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure, entered in this cause, the Clerk of this Court shall sell the

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property at public sale at 11:00 A.M. E.T., on the 16th day of January, 2013, at the Franklin County Court-house, 33 Market Street, Apalachicola, Florida, 32320, the following described real property lying and being in Franklin County, Florida, to-wit:

Lot 49, Whispering Pines Subdivision Phases 3 and 4, according to the plat thereof, recorded in Plat Book 7, Page 32, of the Public Records of Franklin County, Florida.

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

This Notice dated this 4th day of December, 2012.

MARCIA JOHNSON, CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT, FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA

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Progress poles tower over Apalachicola

9 Despite protest, tears and promises, 2012 was the year that Progress Energy installed a new transmission line that raised 30,000 pound power poles to tower over the historic city.

Even as the materials to create the new line were stacked at various sites and cranes set to work erecting the monstrous structures, a group of citizens fought doggedly to block Progress.

After a lawsuit filed in the circuit court failed to stop the installation failed.

Feb. 2012, Fernandina Beach attorney Arthur "Buddy" Jacobs made a last ditch effort to stop the construction which was already underway.

He attempted to block an impending merger between Progress and Duke Power unsuccessfully.

Named as potential intervenors in the merger case were Richard Bickel, Dr. Helen E.A. Tudor, Tom Brocato, George Coon, Leon Bloodworth, Michael and Catherine Bailey, Robert Lindsley, Susan Buzzett Clementson, and the Apalachicola Area Historical Society.

He took his arguments to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC).

Jacobs contended the power lines would create "immediate irreparable harm due to the permanent scarring of the historic landscape" and went on to argue that "close-up and constant exposure to this high voltage 115 kV electricity will cause them (the intervenors),

their grandchildren, and others great bodily harm."

At the end of May, the Times published an open letter from Historical Society President Tom Daly, Daly, who asked county commissioners to approve and send to Vincent Dolan, president of Progress Energy Florida, Inc., a plan to reroute a segment of their power transmission lines north of Eastpoint, Apalachicola Bay and the city of Apalachicola.

Daly said no letter was sent and FERC blessed the Duke/Progress merger ignoring the lawsuit.

He said discussions about the poles are ongoing between Jacobs and the intervenors named in the suits.

By summer, installation of the poles was complete and the new power lines had been threaded into place by helicopter.

— By LOIS SWOBODA



DAVID ADLERSTEIN | The Times

The enormous power poles are now threaded through the downtown Apalachicola area.

A new direction for regional airport

10 After a year of turmoil, it appears that the Apalachicola Regional Airport is finally back on track.

In February, on the recommendation of the airport advisory board, the county commission decided it would seek bids for a new fixed base operator (FBO) for Apalachicola's airport. The contract with Apalachicola International Airport Training Center (AIATC) expired Feb 1, but commissioners granted AIATC a three month extension. Bill Ruic, CEO, who had

acted as FBO for 20 years would remain in control until May 1.

On Feb 21, the commission voted 3-1 to award the FBO contract to Fly High of Lexington, NC. Commissioner Noah Lockley opposed and Bevin Putnal was absent. The commission directed County Attorney Michael Shuler to enter into negotiations with Fly High.

AIATC took fruitless legal steps attempting to block the change.

When commissioners quarreled with Fly High over the terms of the lease, Fly High withdrew their offer and

the commission found itself without a new FBO as the clock ticked.

In March, two more firms offered proposals to run the airport. Both claimed to have extensive plans for refurbishment and promised to bring new jobs to the area.

James Lawrence, CEO and president of Grace International, a firm that reportedly manufactured shipping containers, proposed to move the administrative arm of his Tennessee-based business here.

Robert Riegle CEO of Stratcorp, a purveyor of information technology, told

commissioners his St. Petersburg-based firm would use the airport as a fixed operating base for Apalach Regional Training Complex (ARTIC), a subsidiary that provides training for police and military agencies and tests military equipment.

On March 6, commissioners voted 4-1, with Commissioner Noah Lockley opposed, to enter into negotiations with Grace.

When Grace proved to be a paper tiger whose status as a Tennessee limited liability corporation (LLC) was revoked in August 2011 for failure to file a 2010 annual report, negotiations again fell through.

The commission continued to communicate with both Grace and Fly High but no agreement was reached.

On May 1, the commission had failed to fill the post of FBO and operations at the airport ground to a halt.

County commissioners learned the telephone at the airport had been disconnected and the website for the Federal Aviation Authority (FAA) stated that no fuel or other services are available. They decided to try an interim, local solution for managing the airport, and end negotiations with Grace and Fly High.

By unanimous agreement, commissioners voted at a May 9 special meeting to have Ted Mosteller, airport manager and chairman of the airport advisory committee, assume the duties of running the airport. Mosteller recruited mechanic Perky White of Port St. Joe to help. Under Mosteller's supervision things went smoothly. AVweb, an online newsletter about aviation, named the Apalachicola Regional Airport's temporary fixed base operator "FBO of

the Week," for Aug. 27 through Sept. 2, as part of the newsletter's ongoing award series.

But the commission was still under the gun. Mosteller could only serve the county as an interim manager for six months. After that, the county would be forced to replace him or make him a regular full-time employee.

Once again, the county went out for bids.

At the August 21 meeting, the commissioners opened four proposals to operate the Apalachicola Regional Airport.

Applicants included Apalachee Winds Aviation, of South Carolina. Trident Aircraft of Gulf Shores, Ala. and Crystal Air of Chattanooga, Tenn. also sent proposal packages. Once again, Fly High presented a package.

On Sept. 19, commissioners voted unanimously to award Crystal Air the position of FBO, beginning Nov. 1.

Crystal Air is a family company. Director of Operations Taylor Newman owns 96 percent of the stock and his parents the remaining 4 percent. The company was founded as an aircraft and heavy equipment rental company when Newman was 18, but the focus later narrowed to aviation.

Crystal Air is currently FBO at three airports. They have operated at Franklin County Airport in Seawee, Tenn. since 2003; Cleveland Municipal Airport, also in Tennessee, since 2007 and Dalton Municipal Airport in Georgia since 2008.

Crystal Air took possession of its newest lease on November 1 without fanfare and has already begun cleaning up and renovating the terminal and grounds.

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