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Apalachicola airport open house Saturday

Everyone is invited to an open house hosted by Crystal Air, Apalachicola Regional Airport's new fixed base operator, on Saturday, April 13, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Come enjoy plane rides, food and fun. For information call 653-1366.

Mini golf tournament Saturday

The Friends of Franklin County Public Library will hold the third annual Putt Masters Mini Golf Tournament hosted by Red Pirate Family Grill in Eastpoint on Saturday, April 20 at noon. Enjoy live music, food and drink specials, and lots of fun while more than 20 putt-putt teams compete. Proceeds benefit the Franklin County Public Library in Eastpoint and Carrabelle.

Apalachicola boat show April 20

The 15th annual Apalachicola Antique & Classic Boat and Auto Show will be from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, April 20 in downtown Apalachicola. Antique boats, examples of classic and traditional vessels, workboats, and fiberglass and aluminum classics will all be on display all day. For information please call 653-9419 or email at info@apalachicolabay.org. www. antiqueboatshow.org/

FSU Marine Lab open house April 20

The Spring Open House at the Florida State University Coastal & Marine Laboratory on Saturday, April 20, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. The theme this year is "The Ocean of Tomorrow," to recognize the importance of scientists working together to solve problems related to the coastal and marine environments.

Highlights of this year's event include tours of the new 65-ft research vessel, RV Apalachee; touch tanks with critters presented by Saturday-at-the-Sea and interactive displays by scientists from FSU and Florida conservation agencies. For more information call 697-4120.

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TDC seeks to double bed tax

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At their regular meeting April 3, members of the Tourist Development Council discussed the possibility of doubling the county "bed tax" tax on short-term rentals from the current 2 percent.

TDC Director Curt Blair opened the meeting by cautioning that, "Without an influx of funds, we are set for what we can do for the rest of the fiscal year."

TDC Chairman Pinki Jackel was strongly in support of an in-

crease in the bed tax. She distributed information on the growth of tourism in the county and the bed tax charged in surrounding counties to TDC members.

"The grid shows what the tourism discretionary tax money for tourism is doing. Tourism activity has grown by over 60 percent based on transient rentals since the inception of the sales tax," she said. "(The tax money) has allowed TDC to provide over \$2 million to nonprofit organizations. Our not-for-profits are very busy providing things to

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LOIS SWOBODA | The Times

Diana Prickett, left, Alice Collins, center, and Pinki Jackel at the April 3 TDC meeting.

MINDS THAT MATTER



Photos by **LYDIA COUNTRYMAN** | Special to The Times

The high school Odyssey team stands together at the state competition.

High school Odyssey team completes stellar season

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It's all about creative problem-solving, so it's a natural for Franklin County School students.

The middle and high schools' Odyssey of the Mind extra-curricular teams, part of a worldwide program where students apply ideas and imagination to bring to life unique scenarios that compete against other students, has completed another successful season, this time marked by the school's first-ever trip to state competition.

After winning the Emerald Coast regional competition in Crestview Feb. 23, freshmen Ursula Countryman, Krista Martina, Kendall Meyer, Anna Riley, Jaylynn Lyston and Trinity Hardy headed off to the University of Central Florida campus in Orlando last weekend.

In March, the school board gave its unanimous support for the trip, and voiced a huge thumbs-up to the work of the students and their coach, high school language arts teacher



The middle high school Odyssey team performs at regionals.

Lydia Countryman. In addition the board members listened appreciatively as the team members sang, a capella, the two original songs that accompanied their performance.

At the outset of the season the high school team made its choice among the five possible "problems" that the worldwide Odyssey organization offered for the 2012-13 season. Two songs, accompanied by some type of choreography, had to be incorporated in the Seahawks' solution to "ARTchitecture: The Musical," which required teams to create and present an original performance that includes a replica of a documented architectural structure that was built between 1,000 and 1,600 AD.

The performance had to include three works of art that "disappear" and two characters

that go on a quest to find them. Once found, the works of art had to be incorporated into the replica. No more than \$125 could be spent, and the performance could last no longer than eight minutes.

Incorporating colorful costumes and basing their songs on several popular hits of the day, the team chose as their architecture the giant moai statues of Easter Island in the Polynesian Triangle of the southeastern Pacific Ocean, created by the early Rapa Nui people.

The young women created at Countryman's St. George Island home a giant replica of a statue made out of paper mache and appearing amazingly like the real thing.

Out of the 18 teams that

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Carrabelle man goes missing at Duck Lake

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Where is Cody Diorio? The 22-year-old Carrabelle man went missing last week near Duck Lake, north of Lanark Village, and the sheriff's office is looking for him.



CODY DIORIO

Detective Brett Johnson was coy about whether he suspected Diorio had fled because of a pending felony arrest.

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Bidwell named new Franklin School principal

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The Franklin County School Board Thursday unanimously approved the hiring of Eric Bidwell to succeed George Oehlert as the principal over the consolidated kindergarten through 12th grade school.



ERIC BIDWELL

Bidwell, 43, who has been assistant principal at the school, began in the new position April 5. Oehlert is retiring after four years at the helm of the school.

Bidwell addressed the board briefly, thanking them for the appointment and extending his gratitude for the support of both Oehlert and Al London, the former

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competed from around the state, the young women finished solidly in the middle of the pack, beset by point deductions for having exceeded the eight minute time limit by a mere 13 seconds.

"It was an incredible experience and I am thankful we were able to go. We will shoot for World Finals for next year," said Ursula Countryman upon the entourage's return.

"I enjoyed meeting Odyssey kids from other schools across Florida and seeing how they solved their long term problems," said Lyston.

For others, such as Meyer, the high point came when the students got to meet Omer, the Odyssey of the Mind's raccoon mascot. Sam Micklus, who co-founded Odyssey in 1978, was on hand to address the Florida students with an encouragement speech

about creativity and competition.

Key to both teams' success has been the work of parent volunteers. David Meyer, Heather Riley, Patty Kulick, Rose Griffin and Gary and Jamie Martina all ventured to Orlando for the state competition. At the Crestview tournament in February, Kulick, Jim Edwards, Dana Whaley and Jaime Martina all served as workers, which is required of each school.

The middle school team, which unlike the high school team is a collection of boys plus newcomer Kiana Foley, was equally enthusiastic at the regional competition but failed to advance.

They chose as their problem "It's How You Look at It," which called for them to create and present an original humorous performance that includes two characters that act naturally - to

them - but odd to those around them. One scene will establish the "normal" behavior of one character that, at some point in the performance, finds itself among others who react to the out-of-place behavior. The other character's behavior will stand out too, but this character will end up in a setting where its odd behavior is considered normal. The performance will also include a meter that indicates the degree of odd/normal behavior and a creative scene change.

Connor Smith, a team veteran, said the team set their performance at a carnival, and had four scenes, each at a different locale. In the opener, Fisher Edwards played a screecher, whose yells are normal while he rides a roller coaster. The "Hand Guy" played by Smith, believes his hand is talking to him, but in a subse-

quent scene, where they encounter a ventriloquist, this action is seen as normal.

Kiana Foley showed the reaction to the odd behavior, while Duncan Whaley played a security guard in the opening scene, and later a ticket taker in the carnival booth. Ethan Riley played the "Park Nerd" which added the necessary humor to the play, while Rory Countryman was the strong man, whose strength caused a hand-made meter - modeled after the "Test of Strength" mallet-swinging contraptions that ring a bell with powerful swings - to indicate where the behavior fit on the odd-normal chart.

Later the scenes changed to the shooting gallery and the fortune teller, and each time the curious interplay of normality seeming odd, and vice versa, was enacted.

In addition to these long-term performances, both teams also have to compete with spontaneous performance that stress quick creative thinking and teamwork.

In Crestview the middle team confronted the challenge of seeing how many tennis, golf and ping-pong balls they could stack, with the help of an enormous dictionary and pipe cleaners. FCHS teacher Charlie Wilkinson this year qualified as a judge for the spontaneous segment of the competition.

Foley voiced the widespread student enthusiasm for Odyssey as she showed off the pin she received from competing in Crestview.

"I heard about Odyssey last year at the summer lock-in," said Foley. "Plus I'm an artist so I like creating stuff like this."

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school psychologist who now works as an administrator at the district office.

"The teachers have been very positive in the role I played over the past couple years," said Bidwell. "I look forward to it being a new era. We're going to continue to improve and continue the things we started. I think from here on out, things are going to move in a positive direction. We're going to certainly focus on student achievement and it is going to be a team effort."

A Wewahatchka native, Bidwell earned bachelors and masters degrees from the University of West Florida and in 2009, after teaching at Gulf Coast State College, came to Franklin County High School as an English teacher and then became assistant principal this year.

In his remarks, Bidwell alluded to the Florida Rural Turnaround Project that he discussed at length with the board last month.

"It targets struggling school systems, mostly academically," said Bidwell.

Paid for by a federal grant, the project has brought together state leaders with teachers, administrators and community members to take a look at both the short and long-term futures of the district.

"We took the vision statement and we talked about what that would look like in five years," said Bidwell. "We were tasked with three main goals we felt we could achieve in a four-year project."

He said the district is targeting third grade math performance, and middle school and 10th grade reading scores, and is doing so in conjunction with the Apalachicola Bay Charter School.

"It makes sure that someone is specifically responsible for each of those goals. It gives points of growth and it gets specific as to how much improvement we're going to make each year."

"The good thing for us is we're ahead of the game. We know how to manipulate the data," said Bidwell. "It's going to take the place of all our school improvement plans and combine them all

into one. It's very important for our district and it's very important for the academic growth of our students."

School board member Pam Shiver, who has taken an active role in the project, voiced strong support for it at last week's meeting.

"I'm really excited about this program," she said. "It is checks and balances, and the children are going to receive a better education. We're going to use data to stay on top of it. I'm really excited about what this is going to do. It is going to hold everybody accountable."

Shiver noted that the focus is on ensuring that education goes beyond mere testing, but makes sure students are ready for college or career when they graduate.

"They (education leaders) have spent years collecting data and putting this all together just so we can plug the holes in our bucket so to speak," she said. "I think it's the best thing for our students. Some of the process is going to be painful for some people but I believe it's for

the good of the children and we need to work together to make it happen."

In other personnel changes, the school board accepted the retirements of three teachers and the resignation of a fourth. Retiring were elementary school teachers Catherine Creamer and Linda Gibson, as well as high school teacher Melissa Cumbie. High school ESE teacher Laura Baney plans to resign at the end of the school year.

To underscore some of the challenges facing the district, the board members were given a spread sheet prepared by Superintendent Nina Marks that charted student withdrawals from the district dating back to last year.

The data showed that withdrawals have slowed since the beginning of the year, to about 12 per month. The reasons mainly cited were either transfers to the Learning Academy or ABC School, to other districts either in or out of state, or to home schooling. The 2012

numbers showed a much higher monthly average of students leaving the district.

Led by David Hinton and George Thompson, the board members voiced displeasure at the trend of students leaving the district. Hinton said he was troubled by students who left to attend school in Gulf County, even though their families continued to live in Franklin County. Many of these students are able to do so because their families own property in Gulf County, but they often do not take homestead exemption in one county and consider themselves a resident of another county.

"They rent locations over there and they have power bills and that's basically what the school allows," said Chairman Jimmy Gander. "I don't know how you can vote and take homestead exemption in one county and consider yourself a resident of another county."

Thompson said the district needs to look within to find solutions. "Nobody hates it worse than I do, but until we change our school, that (Gulf) is an A school,

this is a C school, and there's a difference. If they took it to court they'd say 'school choice,' he said. "Until we get ours to an A school it's going to happen. We have employees that don't even have their kids in our school."

Hinton talked glowingly of the success of several of his former students, one an auditor for the state of Florida for schools, and the other a professor at the University of Chicago.

"I agree with what you're saying Mr. Hinton," said Gander. "I talked to somebody today and I used every argument I knew, the same argument that you're using, to try to get them not to leave."

"(But) that's not what we're dealing with," he said. "We're dealing with the perception that people are going for a certain reason and until you change that perception it doesn't really matter. We can all sit around here and pat ourselves on the back and say what a good job we're doing, and we may be, but if nobody else is buying it, it doesn't really matter."

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Putt Masters tourney Saturday

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Weems to be closed April 22

Weems Medical Center West (Apalachicola) will be closed on Monday, April 22. However, Weems Medical Center East in Carrabelle will be open that day. Normal hours will resume for Weems Medical Center West on Tuesday, April 23. There will not have extended hours Monday,

April 22, through Thursday, April 25, at Weems Medical Center East.

Carrabelle Riverfront Royalty pageant

The first Miss Carrabelle Riverfront Royalty Pageant will be Saturday, April 20, at 4 p.m. at the Carrabelle Municipal Complex. The pageant is open to newborns to age 19.

Junior and senior girls will have a mandatory interview at 12:30 p.m. on the day of the pageant. All proceeds go to the Barbara Massey Memorial Scholarship Foundation.

For more information, call Christopher Massey at 443-1251.

TIGERS housing workshop April 25

The TIGERS program along with ACE Hardware and IGA is sponsoring part three of their "No Place Like Home" workshops on Thursday, April 25, at the TIGERS site behind the

former Apalachicola High School building.

Budget and finance workshops by Centennial Bank will be conducted from 2:30-3:30 p.m. These series of programs are free and open to the public. All are welcome to attend.

If you are a provider of services or for more information, contact Carol Barfield at 653-2784.

Special election planned for VFDs

St. George Island and Alligator Point fire departments have contacted the Supervisor of Elections Ida Eliot to organize a special election by property owners in those two fire districts to determine if the property owners will approve a rate increase from \$50 to \$95 on houses. The assessment on vacant land will not change. The election will be mail-out ballot, with the ballots counted on May 14.

Only property owners on Alligator Point and St.

George Island will be voting on whether to change the rates within those two districts only.

The fire departments are paying for the election. Approximately 6,000 ballots should be mailed out April 25. They cannot be mailed out more than 20 days before the election.

"We will be behind whatever happens, but if it doesn't come down, I want to make that perfectly clear that it will be two years (before Alligator Point and St. George Island can vote on this again)," Commissioner Cheryl Sanders said at the March

19 county meeting.

Commission considers Eastpoint Water and Sewer requests

On March 19, county commissioners voted unanimously to allow Eastpoint Sewer and Water District (EWSW) to cut C.C. Land Road at times approved by the county to allow for several new sewer connections.

County Planner Alan Pierce told commissioners C.C. Land Road is under design for widening and resurfacing, and the sewer

force main that serves the eastern end of the district is under the asphalt. He said three known customers need to be connected to sewer before the road is re-surfaced.

The cuts will serve the Gulfview Trailer Park, which is currently on septic tanks, the new RV park under construction and property owned by the Madsen family. There may be one or two additional cuts that need to be made in this same area.

"Eastpoint will be responsible for making

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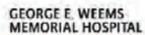
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Letters to the EDITOR

Why do elected officials hire so few African-Americans?

Fellow citizens, I am concerned about the reasoning of our local elected officials who have chosen either not to employ African-Americans in their offices or have chosen to employ one to "save face." I use this letter to the editor not as an opportunity to rant and rave about racism in our local government, but as an opportunity to address the neglect of our local government's refusal to recognize the need.

The age-old excuse of "We have not had any African-Americans apply" is just what it is — an excuse. Hopefully, this article will not only open the eyes of the citizens of our beautiful county, but the elected officials will also know this has been noticed and make the appropriate changes. One of Dr. Martin Luther King's most adamant quotes was, "Our lives begin to end the day we become silent about things that matter." I have chosen not to remain silent.

Alisa-Hand Hendels
Concerned citizen

BE THANKFUL AND HONOR THE DIVINE ORIGIN OF EARTH

The following poem was written to celebrate the upcoming Earth Day, April 22.

In the beginning, God, created earth without sin;
To be a perfect dwelling place for His children;
With all of life's sustaining needs therein.
Then, God, blessed everything wrought by His hands;
And gave possession of creation as an inheritance for man
To care for the wonders of nature adorning the land.
Early budding fig trees predicting the arrival Spring;
Earth emerging from winter clothed in green.
Rude awakening sound of the rooster crowing at dawn;
The pink afterglow of sunset when day is gone.
Larvae wiggling out of their cocoon into a beautiful butterfly;
The spectacular display of meteors streaking across the sky.
Peacocks flaunting their colorful plumage to attract a mate;
The moon's silver path trailing across the lake.
Newly plowed fields ready for seeds to be sowed;
The delicious smell of steaks grilling on the patio.
Sweet aroma of honeysuckle perfuming the breeze
The cozy warmth of the sun after a bitter, cold freeze.
Sound of the brook babbling along like a soothing lullaby;
Fiddler crabs skittering about the shore at ebb tide.
Thank You, Lord, for your faith and trust
To grant us dominion over the earth.
Keep us mindful we are stewards of creation;
Entrusted to preserve it for future generations.

Mary Westberg

Takes teamwork to clean a village

By Joan Matey
Special to the Times

It's all about teamwork and good neighbors who care. Lanark Village is working toward improving the neighborhood and is making lots of headway.

Our scheduled cleanup was rained out in March, but we rallied again this past Saturday with perfect weather. In just three hours, many pickup trucks, gloved hands and determined people removed a bunch more eyesores from our alleyways.

We all know how difficult it can be controlling garbage piles on private properties in Franklin County. We are fortunate to have the inmates from the prison as crew for keeping public areas clean, but they cannot go on private property. It's legal for residents to drag unwanted debris, not household garbage, to the street curb and wait for county pickup. For years, in our highly concentrated neighborhood of row houses, there were constant mountainous piles in front of the end units, awaiting the earth-gouging boom truck for days or weeks when put out way earlier than the scheduled pickup. The county has been for the most part very reliable about coming when they say, but when people want something large out of their small house, they aren't going to wait until closer to pickup day. There's always a wait since the county has only two garbage trucks, and it's a long way from Apalachicola to Alligator Point.

Want to know how do we do it? The county mails out our Clean-Up Day announcement to all



JOAN MATEY | Special to the Times

Jackie Cichy was one of many volunteers who got down and dirty to get the job done.

homeowners in the village, and we get the word out via postings at the community center. We let folks know this is a chance to get help with heavy stuff, no fines, no fees, no questions asked. Let's just do it.

In advance of the cleanup day, we wander the neighborhood alleys and streets and knock on doors where old couches, broken washing machines, busted kiddie pools breeding mosquitoes, etc. have been rotting away. We get phone numbers, when possible, of folks who are owners but not residents, to ask permission to remove stuff that is obviously just an unwanted burden that they might not have the time or energy to deal with. Most are happy to get the help. We are always respectful of private property and of a person's freedom to hoard if they want to!

In the past, our

neighborhood of trash heaps became an invitation for folks — even from other counties, as evidence revealed — to dump stuff on Lanark streets. We were looking like a real slum, with piles of mattresses etc. tossed out by landlords and remodeling debris piled on top of them.

Franklin County appreciated our grassroots effort to clean up the neighborhood, and upon our request, brought us a large item Dumpster that was placed by our recycling bins. We all do our best to police it so no one puts food garbage or diapers in it. It's not easy. We are now getting some much-needed code enforcement help via the sheriff's department. A habitual garbage tossing offender was recently observed by a neighborhood resident, and with evidence in hand, the deputy was able

to give a stern warning and a promise of a large fine if caught again. Most residents are now in a habit of taking even yard debris down to Oak Street, and we have volunteers with trucks willing to help move heavy stuff. No more garbage piles! It takes a village!

So with No. 2 cleanup under our belt, it's officially an annual happening here in our special district of Lanark Village. If you are tired of your neighborhood being trashy looking, it's not hard to do. Just get over the "this ain't my mess" head space and work like a team.

Doing it just once a year doesn't make it feel like you are constantly giving sloppy neighbors a free ride. Neighborhood cleanups usually inspire folks to pitch in and tidy up. We also got help from the county for some cheery signs with good messages about keeping our homes and yards clean.

Special thanks this year to Jackie and Eric Cichy, Jim O'Connor, Captain Dick and Butterball, Rachael and Clyde, Corey Quaas, Christine Hartness, Janie and Bob Shaffer, Marlene Moore, Jim Chichester, Nick Dadonna and even more volunteers who were handing out gloves and bags, zipping around the 'hood in trucks and being the kind of neighbors I am proud to have. Thanks to all.

Our next neighborhood project is a community garden, mural and beautification of Gene Sewell Park and the Betty Roberts Pavilion. We are in need of donations of lumber for our garden beds. If you can help us, please email me at joanmatey@hotmail.com, and mention garden lumber as subject.

Fireworks extravaganza planned for Independence Day

Show your enthusiasm for the Stars and Stripes by supporting this year's fireworks display in Apalachicola.

Harry Arnold and the fireworks committee promise this year's July 3 celebration will be even better than 2012.

Apalachicola Main Street will sponsor an Independence Day fireworks display at dark thirty

on Wednesday, July 3, and we would like your help.

The scene is Riverside Park. Your party will enjoy reserved seating and a post-event newspaper as a souvenir.

You can contribute at five different levels. For \$5,000 or more, title sponsors get a reserved table seating for a party of 16, two bottles of wine

and a mention in all advertising.

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Southerland backs bill to help rural infrastructure

U.S. Rep. Steve Southerland hosted a press conference at Marianna City Hall on Monday to announce new legislation for assisting rural communities with obtaining critical technical assistance or financial planning when undertaking infrastructure enhancements, all at no additional cost to taxpayers.

Southerland's bill, the Building Rural Communities Act, improves access to existing funds under the U.S. Department of Agriculture's rural development loan program for small communities looking to build or modernize police and fire stations, courthouses, community health clinics and other public services.

"Rural municipalities, country towns and small farming communities form the backbone of North and Northwest Florida," Southerland said. "Unfortunately, across America many of these bedrock communities are fading away because they can't match the access to infrastructure and services that larger cities provide. Our legislation will make it easier for



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rural communities to thrive by providing the technical assistance and project planning they need to strengthen public safety, public health and public access to upgraded services, all at no additional cost to taxpayers."

"We appreciate Rep. Southerland's commitment to improving access to public safety, health and community enhancement services for Florida's rural communities," said Gary Williams, executive director of the Florida Rural Water Association. "His leadership on this issue will be critically important as we work together to build a bright future for small cities and rural areas across our state."

"Technical assistance providers like RCAP have worked with USDA-RD's water and wastewater program for decades to make it one of the most efficient and effective in the federal government," said Robert Stewart, executive director of the Rural Community Assistance Partnership. "Rep. Southerland's Building Rural Communities Act builds on that success by expanding the assistance

that is available to rural communities to address the infrastructure, public safety and other essential community facilities needs that support growth and economic development in rural areas."

"USDA Rural Development's Community Facilities Program is an important low-cost financing tool for rural counties and their partners," said Matt Chase, executive director of the National Association of Counties. "Our nation's rural counties appreciate Rep. Southerland's leadership on rural development efforts and support the Building Rural Communities Act, which will assist local effort to build essential community facilities that enhance economic opportunities and quality of life."

Southerland's bill, co-sponsored by Rep. Mike McIntyre, D-N.C., sets aside 3-5 percent of funding in the USDA's Rural Development Essential Communities Facilities Program for technical assistance. Similar assistance has already been utilized to build or upgrade water and wastewater projects in Marianna, Blountstown, Rosedale and Taylor County.

Landlord soaked for stolen water

By LOIS SWOBODA
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The Carrabelle city commission has refused to lower a water bill for a River Road landlord who claims she didn't have the water turned on at the property.

On April 4, Judy Hall asked the commissioners to forgive a \$1,200 water bill for a house belonging to her daughter, Tara Norrick.

Hall said Norrick purchased the house at 322 River Road near Hall's own home and eventually plans to retire to Carrabelle. In the

interim, Norrick is using the house as a rental property.

In 2009, when the first tenant was unable to afford the water deposit, Norrick paid it, according to Carrabelle city staff, who said the tenant later had the water shut off when she vacated the house.

At some point between 2010 and 2012, somebody turned the water back on without setting up an account with the city, according to City Clerk Keisha Smith.

In June 2012, during a routine audit, the Carrabelle Water and Sewer department discovered the water

at the property had been turned on illegally. The water to the house then was turned off by the city, and Norrick called the city offices the next day, irate, and demanded the bill be sent to her, said Smith, who told commissioners Norrick said to not bill the tenants for the water.

The city sent Norrick a bill for \$1,231, which she did not immediately pay.

According to Hall, in January 2013, Norrick wanted to clean the house and requested the water be turned on. Renee Brannan, the city's water clerk, told her

she would have to pay \$600 of the bill and could appeal the rest of the bill in order to have water and sewer service restored.

Smith said Norrick was not charged a late fee and was only billed for the water actually used.

At last week's meeting, Hall argued her daughter should not be responsible for the illegally used water because she did not request the water at 322 River Road be turned on, but commissioners disagreed.

Mayor Curley Messer told Hall the city was not in the business of tracking

down tenants who owe landlords money.

City Attorney Dan Hartman agreed the owner of the property was responsible for water used by a tenant.

Smith said because several tenants had occupied the house over the period when water was stolen, the city had no way to determine which tenant should be billed.

"You literally have to catch the person in the act (of stealing service) to bring charges," said Commissioner Brenda LaPaz, who is charged with overseeing the water and sewer

department.

"If I can't adjust water bills for senior citizens on fixed incomes, I'm not going to adjust for this," Commissioner Charlotte Schneider said.

The board voted unanimously to charge Norrick the full amount and instructed Brannan to arrange for payment of the balance over time if necessary.

"I would suggest to her, if she rents the house, to call and verify the utilities have been set up and that they have been paid when tenant leaves before returning the deposit," Smith said

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the cuts, patching and compacting the base material in accordance with DOT standards, allowing the county to pave the road and the cuts all at the same time," Pierce said. "The county will not let Eastpoint cut the road until after the board opens the bids for paving as Preble-Rish wants to make sure that there is not a problem with the bids and to minimize the time there is an open cut."

The one exception will be the new RV park, if it is ready to go on line before the county opens the bids. The new RV park must have sewer to open, and with the force main under the road, the road must be cut in order to make the connection.

Pierce said the existing septic tanks will be decommissioned in accordance with state law.

At the same meeting, Pierce distributed a letter from the water and sewer district to Sheriff Mike Mock and Solid Waste Director Fonda Davis advising them of

the severely degraded condition of the sewer lift station that serves the jail and the landfill. The district said the lift station is a county responsibility, and wrote "the district has continued to help service and make minor repairs to your dedicated lift station; however, the EWSD is not in a financial position to make the necessary repairs your station needs..."

The letter included a quote of \$34,000 in repairs needed on the lift station.

Pierce said he advised EWSD Administrator George Allen that the lift station is a part of the Eastpoint system, just like any other lift station, and EWSD is responsible for its operation and maintenance.

The board took no immediate action on the request.

Budget meeting scheduled for April 22

Clerk of Courts Marcia Johnson has scheduled a budget workshop for county commissioners on Monday, April 22, at 10 a.m. in the main courtroom in the courthouse. The focus of the workshop will be a discussion by the commission on proposed expenditures for next year.

There are no state estimates on revenues yet, and Property Appraiser Rhonda Skipper has not finished her assessment. She expects to have preliminary numbers by June 1.

Commissioners asked Johnson and Director of Administrative Services Alan Pierce to notify constitutional officers, department heads, the

hospital advisory board and the health department of the meeting.

Chairman Cheryl Sanders said the board wants to be informed of big capital outlays that may need to be addressed in the upcoming budget.

Photographer seeks wooden shrimp boats

Fine art photographer John E Adams is planning to visit Franklin County as part of his latest project, "Evanescence Trawlers of the South," a photography study of the rapidly disappearing hand-crafted wooden shrimp fishing trawlers. Adams is an award-winning fine art photographer from Fernandina Beach.

"Northern Florida used to have some of the largest

trawler building ports in the Southeast for many years. Now those skills have long passed, and the only reminder remaining of this amazing heritage is a small scattering of rapidly declining vessels spread throughout the Southern shrimping regions and ports," Adams said.

"Evanescence Trawlers of the South" will consist of future exhibits and a book featuring as many of the remaining handmade wooden shrimping trawlers as can be located. The project plans include traveling more than 4,400 miles from the Carolinas to Louisiana to try and capture and preserve images of remaining wooden trawlers. Adams expects to capture process the final prints and book before the end of the

August. To learn more, contact Adams at 904-729-8175 or at Thepres6@hotmail.com or visit www.kickstarter.com/projects

Airport drainage to be addressed

County commissioners voted unanimously April 2 to approve a \$10,800 task order at the Apalachicola Regional Airport for work assessing the drainage system to be done by AVCON, the county's airport engineers. DOT grant funds will pay the full amount. After the assessment, the Airport Committee will take recommendations on fixing the drainage system since a portion of it has failed. There is \$400,000 already awarded the county to fix the drainage system.

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However Weems Medical Center East in Carrabelle will be open that day.
Normal hours will resume for Weems Medical Center West on Tuesday the 23rd. We will not have extended hours Monday the 22nd thru Thursday the 25th at Weems Medical Center East.

Memories of the 15-cent picture show

After reading the story "The Dixie: Act One" Miriam Hemphill, an Apalachicola native and sister of Willoughby Marshall shared the following memories.

My years of frequent evenings at the Dixie were 1930-38. Then I went away to college and was home only at vacation times. I was married and living here when it closed, I think. Lots of memories of exciting evenings there.

During the years I was going to the "picture show" there, no food or drink was sold in the theater. The

Louis Café had hot dogs (5 cents) and hamburgers (a dime) but we never bought those. Didn't have an extra nickel, I guess, and had just eaten supper.

Willoughby and I used to go on Friday nights to the "picture show" and before it began we rushed into Robbins Drug Store across the street and bought "all-day suckers" two for a nickel. We took turns paying for them from each of our 25-cents-a-week allowances. The picture show was 15 cents each. Our favorite sucker was the butterscotch.

Happy BIRTHDAY

Jadelyn Frye turns 3



Jadelyn Elisea Frye turned 3 on Saturday, April 6, 2013.

She is the daughter of Cynthia and Jack Frye Jr., of Apalachicola. She and her father share a birthday on this special day.

Jadelyn celebrated with big brother Ethan Vonier, and family and friends, with a bowling birthday party at Rocket Lanes in Panama City.

Maternal grandparents are Larry Stiefel, of Groveland, and Cindy Smith, of Apalachicola.

Maternal great-grandparents are Alvin Gloner, of South Florida, the late Rena Heusel, of Apalachicola; and the late Willard and Phyllis Stiefel, of Groveland.

Paternal grandparents are Liz and Jack Frye Sr., of Apalachicola, and Angela Creamer, of Eastpoint. Paternal great-grandparents are the late Willie and Ethel Creamer, of Eastpoint; and the late Rose Lee Mallon, of Apalachicola.

Happy birthday, Bugg and Daddy. We love you!

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Did you enjoy Super Saturday last week? There was a lot to do and a lot to be a part of.

The golf club breakfast and Tonya's Hope drew big crowds. Thanks to those who worked hard to pull them together and thank you very much for your support.

The lucky number dollar amount at Wednesday Night Bingo is still growing. If you bingo on the lucky number during any part of the last three-part social game, you'll win that game



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Jim Welsh

amount plus the lucky number amount. Come join us on Wednesday night at Chillas Hall. Doors open at 6 p.m. The bingo starts at 6:30 p.m. Cookies, soft drinks and coffee are available. Hope to see you there.

Lunch on Thursday is served at noon at the Franklin County Senior Center, 201 Ave. F, Carrabelle. Thanks to Sue and our other faithful volunteers. A donation of \$4 is required.

Friday and Sunday evenings

will find us at Camp Gordon Johnston American Legion Post 82. Between the hours of 5 and 7 p.m., you can get a huge hamburger and chips for a donation of \$6. Sunday evening is Pizza Night. Orders taken from 5-7 p.m. Pizza by the slice is \$1 each. Eat-in pizza is \$8, and take-out is \$10. Come enjoy the pizza and the many other things to do. The Legion is open 4-10 p.m. daily.

Mark your calendars for Saturday, April 20, because from 9-11 a.m. you can get your sugar fix at the pancake breakfast at Lanark Village Boat Club. A good

full breakfast and still only \$5.

On Saturday afternoon, starting at 3 p.m. we will have picnic in the park and the pine cone kick-off. Bring a dish to share. The association will furnish hamburgers and hot dogs. Saturday evening is the birthday bash at Camp Gordon Johnston American Legion Post 82. The songbird and Ann Merrell and others will keep the music going for us.

Saturday, April 27, is another big day. Members of the Lanark Village Golf Club will have a yard sale on our golf course

from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Stop by and look around. There's got to be something you simply can't live without. Also on Saturday is your annual Riverfront Festival on Marine Street in Carrabelle. More on this later.

Remember volunteers make it happen. Become one today.

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

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

Faith BRIEFS

Quilts of Valor chapter forming

A chapter of the national organization "Quilts of Valor" is forming at the Carrabelle Beach RV Center, 1843 U.S. 98 W. The mission of the Quilts of Valor Foundation is to cover all combat service members and veterans touched by war with comforting and healing Quilts of Valor.

These are small (55-by-65-inch) quilts often in patriotic colors. The local group will meet from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesdays.

You do not need to know how to quilt to participate, just have a desire to make a little difference to those who are serving or have served. There will be plenty of work cutting, pressing and sorting.

Donations of fabric will be accepted. If you can, bring your own

sewing equipment and supplies. For information, call 816-803-2880 or 697-2638.

Flotilla to honor those lost at sea

A Memorial Flotilla, to honor and remember all who have died at sea, will be April 20, when the 1877 Gulf Coast Schooner Governor Stone will be in Apalachicola.

The schooner will be part of the 15th annual Antique and Classic Boat Show at Riverfront Park on Water Street.

Capt. Robin Walbridge, who was lost at sea when the square rigged ship HMS Bounty sank during Hurricane Sandy, came to Apalachicola in the 1980s. He offered the Captain's Course to local seafood workers. This would allow them to take people out fishing and

increase their income possibilities.

After the Governor Stone arrived in Apalachicola in 1990, he often skippered the vessel on Apalachicola Bay, and taught us a great deal about sailing a traditional gaff-rigged vessel. He was a wonderful sailor and teacher.

The Friends of the Governor Stone, Inc., current owners and operators of the vessel, want to honor his memory by sailing out on Apalachicola Bay and casting flowers on the water. We invite all who wish to join us to bring their boats to make a flotilla to remember our family member and friends who have been lost at sea. Natural flowers please — no plastic.

The schooner will leave Riverfront Park at 3 p.m.

For more information, call Kristin Anderson at 653-2249 or email Kristin@kristinworks.com.

Obituaries

Arthur Joe Hutchinson

Arthur Joe "Trigger" Hutchinson, 40, founder and owner of AJ's Neighborhood Bar & Grill in Apalachicola, passed Sunday, March 31, 2013, in Apalachicola.



ARTHUR HUTCHINSON

Funeral services were Saturday morning, April 6, at New Life First Born Church. Burial followed at Magnolia Cemetery, both in Apalachicola. The funeral cortege assembled at 10:15 a.m. at 249 Jacobie O'Neal Lane in Apalachicola on Saturday. Trigger lay in state from 5-6 p.m. Friday, April 5, at the church.

He was a native of Carrabelle and a 1990 graduate of Carrabelle High School and a resident of Apalachicola for 15 years. He attended Mt.

Olive AME Church in Carrabelle and New Life First Born Church in Apalachicola.

He leaves to cherish his memories and continue his legacy his wife, Tami Ray-Hutchinson;

children, Deonte Hutchinson, Skyler Hutchinson and Tevin Ray; parents, Mary Ann Joseph and Phillip Rosier; grandparents, Ernest and Florine Andrews, and Arthur "Hutt" Hutchinson Sr.; siblings, Antoine Benjamin, Ronnie Joseph Jr., Phillip Rosier Jr., Taronne Rosier, Fondre Rosier; Commissioner Anginita Rosier; Joycelyn Rosier-Greer (Rod), Kokina Rosier and Evetta Thompson (Justin); and a host of other relatives and friends.

John Edward Lewis

John Edward Lewis, 86, of Port St. Joe, passed away on Wednesday, April 3, 2013.

He was born in Jennings on Nov. 26, 1926. He worked at St. Joe Paper Mill and retired from Florida Power Corporation after 23 years of service. He was a U.S. Army veteran, having served in the Korean conflict.

In his earlier years, John enjoyed traveling with his wife and they visited all of the states in the country. His passion was restoring old cars and he could be seen driving his "Ole Dude," a restored 1936 Chevy around town. He was also an avid knife collector, and had a story

to tell about each knife in his collection.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, Linda Lewis Wright. He is survived by his wife of 59 years, Betty Lewis; his daughter, Jerrie Todd and husband, Greg; his son, Hal Lewis; and grandchildren, Megan and Meredith Todd, Kayleigh, Ashleigh and Bradley Lewis, all of Port St. Joe.

Graveside services were Friday morning, April 5, at Holly Hill Cemetery in Port St. Joe with Father Phil Fortin officiating.

All services were under the direction of Comforter Funeral Home.

Anita Saunders Townsend

Anita Saunders Townsend died on Saturday, April 6, 2013, at home in Crawfordville.

She was predeceased by her husband, C.L. Townsend Sr.; two infant sons; her parents, Bill and Mattie Sanders, of Sopchoppy; and brothers, W.T. Sanders and J.D. Saunders.

Anita was born Sept. 4, 1919, in Brunswick, Ga. She graduated from Sopchoppy High School in 1937 and took her nursing training at Chattahoochee State Hospital, becoming a registered nurse in 1941. She had a varied and successful nursing career. Her greatest accomplishment was being the public health nurse for Wakulla County from 1951 until 1989.

Under her guidance, many improvements and programs were implemented for the citizens of Wakulla County. Her leadership in professional, church and community activities was recognized and appreciated by many in Wakulla County and the surrounding area. She loved Wakulla County and it loved her.

Anita is survived by her sister, Juanita S. Roddenberry, of Sopchoppy; sons, C.L. Townsend Jr. of Plant City and Jack Light Townsend Sr. of Temple Terrace and their wives, Ione and Helen; eight grandsons and four great-grandsons; and a multitude of nieces, nephews and "adopted daughters and sons."

Pallbearers for



ANITA TOWNSEND

Anita are her grandsons, Jack Light Townsend Jr., James Austin "Jake" Townsend, Barrett McCoy "Bear" Townsend, Nathan Leroy Townsend, Aaron Leroy Townsend, David Leroy

Townsend, Heath Harlan Campbell and Jarrod Allen Campbell.

Honorary pallbearers are Thurman Roddenberry, Billy Roddenberry, Lagran Saunders, Jack Henderson, Dennis Tucker, Johnny Daniels, Ken "Stoney" Burke, Don Davis, Jayson Kirk, John Townsend, Dale Townsend, Ralph Coleman, Doug Townsend and Lyn Townsend.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to either The Anita Townsend Nursing Scholarship at Wakulla Academic Boosters, 3042 Crawfordville Highway, Crawfordville, FL 32327; Big Bend Hospice, 1723 Mahan Center Blvd., Tallahassee, FL 32308; or Benevolence Fund, First Baptist, 3086 Crawfordville Highway, Crawfordville, FL 32327.

The family received friends on Tuesday evening, April 9, at First Baptist Church, Crawfordville.

Funeral services were Wednesday morning, April 10, at First Baptist Church, Crawfordville. Graveside services followed at West Sopchoppy Cemetery, Sopchoppy. Bevis Funeral Home, Harvey-Young Chapel, Crawfordville, is assisting the family with arrangements.

In Loving MEMORY



Pamela Kinney

I want to wish my beloved Pam a happy birthday. She would have been 27 on Monday, April 8. Unfortunately, her life was cut short on Aug. 14, 2005, and her murder is still unsolved.

I miss her so much, and I'm pleading to the public for help. If anyone knows something, please contact the Franklin County Sheriff's Office at 670-8500. My family and I need your help.

What would you do if it was your child? You would want someone to step forward and provide information. You would want justice. That is what I want, justice for Pamela Kinney. Please help me get justice for my child.

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BUDS 'N' BUGS
Lois Swoboda

Like other irises, blue-eyed grass slowly spreads outwards by forming "pups" off of the main leaf cluster. Mature plants form a clump of foliage 12 to 28 inches across and 6 inches tall. Clusters benefit from periodic division, and old plants may develop a "bald spot" in the center.

Because it grows from a kind of bulb called a corm, it can survive periodic drought but will rot if it remains sodden for too long or is heavily mulched. It is salt-tolerant and grows well on barrier islands and in coastal gardens.

The little star-shaped flowers rise on stiff stalks that may stand a foot or so above the leaf mass. Individual flowers are open for only about a day, but multiple flowers are produced on the same stalk, blooming one after another for several weeks, and one stalk can have multiple flowers open at the time. In our area, this plant may bloom for up to six weeks in the early spring.

Blue-eyed grass may be propagated from seed, but it is



LOIS SWOBODA | The Times

Blue-eyed grass grows on St. George Island.

easier to simply divide a clump using a sharp-edged spade.

Although it prefers moist soils, blue-eyed grass can be grown in most Florida landscape settings.

Use this plant along walkways and the edges of planting beds, plant it in mass or scatter it through a wetland meadow. It is a satisfactory container plant, too, but bear in mind the bloom period is shorter than annuals like petunias and marigolds. Grouping blue-eyed grass with other flowering plants can extend the color and the grassy foliage can

add an attractive accent and can be cut back to soil level if it becomes shabby.

Blue-eyed grasses were once considered to be a complex group of species and subspecies but most botanists now group native blue-eyed grass in Florida into a single species, *Sisyrinchium angustifolia* found from Newfoundland and Quebec to southern Florida and west to eastern Texas. Its native habitat is open woods, moist pinelands, fields, meadows, marshes, the edges of swamps and grassy roadsides.

POMPANO ARRIVE



TOMMY HOLLAND | Special to The Times

The pompano have just begun to show up here in our little part of the northern Gulf. The angler is one of the Edmisten party aboard Captain Tommy Holland's boat on April 2. According to the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, "Florida pompano are common in inshore and nearshore waters, especially along sandy beaches, along oyster banks, and over grass beds. They are often in turbid water and may be found in water as deep as 130 feet. These fish spawn offshore between March and September. They feed on mollusks and crustaceans, especially sand fleas. Local movements are influenced by the tide, and seasonal movements are influenced by temperature." The state record was an 8-pound, 4-ounce monster, caught near Port St. Joe.

WEEKLY ALMANAC

Date	High	Low	% Precip
Thu, Apr. 11	75°	62°	50 %
Fri, Apr. 12	75°	55°	50 %
Sat, Apr. 13	73°	58°	0 %
Sun, Apr. 14	75°	62°	40 %
Mon, Apr. 15	77°	62°	20 %
Tues, Apr. 16	77°	62°	30 %
Wed, Apr. 17	77°	63°	10 %

TIDE TABLES MONTHLY AVERAGES

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

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

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

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

APALACHICOLA

Date	Day	High Tide	High Tide	Low Tide	Low Tide
11	Th	6:10am 1.4	4:22pm 1.5	11:55am 0.9	
12	Fr	6:38am 1.4	4:47pm 1.6	12:03am -0.1	11:39am -0.9
13	Sa	7:37am 1.3	5:17pm 1.6	12:36am -0.1	12:07pm 1.0
14	Su	8:23am 1.3	5:53pm 1.6	1:11am 0.0	12:41pm -1.0
15	Mo	9:13am 1.3	6:34pm 1.5	1:49am 0.0	1:24pm -1.1
16	Tu	10:09am 1.3	7:22pm 1.4	2:35am 0.1	2:21pm -1.1
17	We	11:03am 1.3	8:21pm 1.3	3:31am 0.1	3:39pm -1.1
18	Th	11:55am 1.3	9:36pm 1.3	4:36am 0.2	5:10pm -1.0
19	Fr	12:39pm 1.3	11:05pm 1.2	5:41am 0.3	6:31pm -0.9
20	Sa	1:15pm 1.4		6:41am 0.4	7:33pm -0.7
21	Su	12:38am 1.2	1:44pm 1.4	7:33am 0.4	8:22pm -0.5
22	Mo	2:01am 1.2	2:10pm 1.4	8:19am 0.5	9:05pm -0.3
23	Tu	3:13am 1.3	2:33pm 1.5	9:02am 0.7	9:46pm -0.1

CARRABELLE

Date	Day	High Tide	High Tide	Low Tide	Low Tide
11	Th	4:45am 2.2	2:57pm 2.4	9:02am 1.4	9:50pm -0.2
12	Fr	5:28am 2.2	3:22pm 2.6	9:26am 1.4	10:23pm -0.2
13	Sa	6:12am 2.1	3:52pm 2.6	9:54am 1.6	10:58pm 0.0
14	Su	6:58am 2.1	4:28pm 2.6	10:28am 1.6	11:36pm 0.0
15	Mo	7:48am 2.1	5:09pm 2.4	11:11am 1.8	
16	Tu	8:43am 2.1	5:57pm 2.2	12:22am 0.2	12:08pm 1.8
17	We	9:38am 2.1	6:56pm 2.1	1:18am 0.2	12:56pm 1.8
18	Th	10:30am 2.1	8:11pm 2.1	2:23am 0.3	2:57pm 1.6
19	Fr	11:14am 2.1	9:41pm 1.9	3:28am 0.5	4:18pm 1.4
20	Sa	11:50am 2.2	11:13pm 1.9	4:28am 0.6	5:20pm 1.1
21	Su	12:19pm 2.2		5:20am 0.6	6:09pm 0.8
22	Mo	12:36am 1.9	12:45pm 2.2	6:06am 0.8	6:52pm 0.5
23	Tu	1:40am 2.1	1:08pm 2.4	6:49am 1.1	7:33pm 0.2

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BEAR-HUMAN CONFLICT

Denying bears easy access to food is key to prevention

By STAN KIRKLAND

Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission

The number of bear-related calls received by the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission are on the rise in Northwest Florida.

In 2002, the FWC logged 118 calls for the 16-county area stretching from Escambia County to Jefferson County. In 2012, that number rocketed to almost 1,700 calls.

Bears are driven by the urge to eat and it doesn't matter to them whether it's garbage or other easy sources of food such as bird seed or pet food. The key to keeping bears in the wild and out of your yard is denying them easy access to food.

In Wakulla County, which has experienced a rapid human growth and rise in bear complaints in the past several years, two things have transpired to reduce human-bear conflicts.

For one thing, garbage pick-up is mandatory for all residents. Problems with garbage sitting for days in cans in outlying areas and becoming a target for hungry bears have been mostly resolved. Secondly, Waste Pro, the waste service company in the county, makes modified and bear-resistant cans available to residents experiencing bear problems. Residents can receive a modified trash can for an extra fee. Even with the extra fee, many residents keep their garbage secured in the wildlife-resistant cans.

In nearby Franklin County, the developers of St. James Bay, a planned residential development that will eventually total almost 500 homes, require the use of bear-resistant cans.

To the west, there's no better example of a proactive approach in reducing bear issues than on U.S.



STAFF SGT. ERIC THOMAS | Special to The Times

A bear pilfers through a Dumpster at Tyndall Air Force Base.

Air Force Base's Hurlburt Field in Okaloosa County. Several years ago, Hurlburt Field officials required the use of bear-resistant garbage cans and dumpsters of all base personnel, and implemented an education program on the do's and don'ts when living near bears. They were able to document more than a 70 percent decline in calls and complaints about bears.

Elsewhere in Okaloosa County, communities and governmental leaders are working with the FWC to reduce human-bear conflicts. For example, Fort Walton Beach has retrofitted old plastic-lid dumpsters with reinforced lids to keep bears from raiding them for food scraps. The city also is installing inexpensive

gate-hasp hardware on existing garbage cans to keep bears from household garbage.

The nearby cities of Mary Esther and Valparaiso are similarly retrofitting garbage cans used by residents.

Although there are other notable successes in dealing with bears, the key to drastically reducing the number of problems in the future is cooperation between county governmental leaders and waste service companies to make reasonable options available for residents to keep their garbage secure.

Providing bear-resistant garbage cans to the public and a willingness by the public to use those cans are the most important components needed to reduce human-bear conflicts.

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Freshwater

Local waters are back to normal this week from last month's floods and cold. Decent reports are starting to come in from Depot, Howard and Lake Wimico this week. Most local anglers are fishing for painted bream in the back waters off the main channels in the big river, and the catfish bite is improving as well.

Inshore

Sheepshead are the talk of the town this week with good reports from Mexico Beach to Indian Pass. St Joe Bay is a great place to start looking for these fish around the docks, pillings and the "seawall" outside of the marina. The old shipping channel markers in the west end of the bay are another go-to spot for sheepshead fishing. Some Spanish mackerel are here, but not in good numbers. Slow trolling close to the beach and out by the buoys will be the hot spots this week.

Seahawks top Port St. Joe, fall on Senior Night

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Franklin County junior right-hander James Newell twirled a masterful game April 2 at Port St. Joe, as the Seahawks topped the Tiger Sharks 6-3.

"This game he threw well," coach Mike Emerson said. "He's not walking anybody. He's throwing a lot of strikes, and his curve ball is working well."

Newell struck out 10, with the Seahawks giving him the necessary firepower with three runs in the third and another three in the fifth. Senior Skyler Hutchinson fueled the offensive performance by going 2 for 4 at the plate, with a double and a single.

St. Joe scored a run in each of the first, third and seventh innings, but only one was earned. The Seahawks' four errors helped enable the other runs to cross home plate.

Errors turned out to be a problem on April 4 at home, when the Seahawks fell 10-2 to the Bozeman Bucks.

Bozeman scored four in an explosive sixth inning in which Franklin County committed three errors.

"It was a combination of not



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Seahawk players honored at last week's Senior Night ceremony are, from left, Ellis Wilson, Zach Howze, Chase Golden, Seth Rogers and Skyler Hutchinson.

hitting and making too many errors, and a lack of concentration on the kids' part," said Emerson. "It's just one of those things."

Bozeman scored two in the first, but the Seahawks countered with a run in the bottom of the inning, Franklin County tied it with a run in the third, but Bozeman went ahead with one in the fourth, two in the fifth, four in the sixth and one in the seventh.

On Friday at Senior Night, the Seahawks honored Ellis Wil-

son, Zach Howze, Chase Golden, Seth Rogers and Skyler Hutchinson. The moment was especially poignant, as Hutchinson, escorted by his mom Lisa Walden and close relatives, spoke in his written statement read over the loudspeaker of the support given him by his father, Arthur "Trigger" Hutchinson, who had died just a few days earlier.

Hutchinson had pitched against Bozeman, so Newell took the mound and fought tough before the Seahawks fell 4-2.

"We lost because of errors," Emerson said, noting that South Walton got a run in the first that was made possible by a third-base error.

South Walton scored two in the second and a fourth run in the fourth, also on an error.

The Seahawks scored one in the sixth, when Newell singled with two outs, and after they walked Rogers, Golden smacked a single to score Newell from second.

In the seventh, junior Gra-

ham Kirvin singled, and then junior Logan McLeod walked. Sophomore Trenton Lee grounded into a fielder's choice, and Kirvin was thrown out at third, setting up a one-out, two-on situation.

An error by the South Walton shortstop loaded the bases, and then junior Alex Causey hit a fly ball that was caught two feet short of the fence, with the sacrifice scoring McLeod.

"We had chances," Emerson said. "Newell threw a great game, striking out five, giving up no walks, eight hits and two earned runs."

On March 29 at home against St. Joe, the Seahawks fell 8-2, in part because of six errors and a dozen men left on base. "You can't win when you do that," Emerson said.

In the last home game of the season Tuesday night, the Seahawks lost 10-5 to Blountstown, managing only two hits.

The Seahawks scored two in the fourth and three in the sixth, but Blountstown had a dozen hits and scored two in the first, two in the second, two in the fourth, three in the sixth and one in the seventh to generate the win, despite committing six errors. The Seahawks kept their error total down to two.

Lady Seahawks win six in a row

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The Lady Seahawks have been on a winning streak of late, winning six in a row, including sweeping two doubleheaders, as they prepare for the postseason.

"It's stinkin' fantastic," coach Lisa Sweatt said after Senior Night ceremonies, in which the team honored Chena Segree, Christina Collins and Anna Lee.

"I set the schedule up so our hard games were at the beginning of the season," Sweatt said. "Right now we're finally coming into our own and peaking right at the right time. We're playing together as a team, leading us right into districts."

The team edged South Walton 6-5 at Senior Night, taking it down to the seventh inning before earning the win.

The win streak started with a 10-1 win at home against Wewa on March 29 and continued April 2 at home against Blountstown when the Lady Seahawks swept a double header 3-1 and 11-6.



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Lady Seahawk players honored at last week's Senior Night ceremony are, from left, Christina Collins, Chena Segree and Anna Lee. Times readers who want to see more photos or to buy them, contact Phil Coale at tigersports1@live.com or 379-8049.

In the opener, eighth-grader Scout Segree went 2-3 in five innings. She singled in the first and fifth innings.

Chena Segree brought the heat against Blountstown during her outing. Blountstown managed just two hits off of Segree, who allowed no earned runs, walked four and struck out two

during her five innings of work.

The Lady Seahawks stayed on top until the final out after taking the lead in the second, scoring one run on an RBI single by Collins. Franklin County pushed across one run in both the third inning and the fifth. In the third, Chena Segree scored on an RBI double by Lee. In the fourth in-

ning, Blountstown pushed across its only run of the day on an error.

In the nightcap, junior Morgan Mock went 2 for 4 as the Lady Seahawks took home an 11-6 victory over five innings. She singled in the first and second innings.

Franklin County stayed on top until the final out after taking the lead in the first, scoring one run on a passed ball. They tacked on another three runs in the second. The inning looked promising, as Mock singled, scoring Collins to kick things off. That was followed up by junior Ally Millender's single, plating freshman Krista Martina and Mock.

After pushing across three runs in the top of the fourth, Blountstown faced just a 4-3 deficit. But Franklin County quickly matched Blountstown's strong inning with a seven-run inning of its own in the fourth. The runs scored on a two-run single by Scout Segree, a two-run error, a two-run single by Collins and an RBI single by Martina.

Three runs in the top of the fifth helped Blountstown close

its deficit to 11-6. But Chena Segree got a ground-out to end the game.

At home Monday, the Lady Seahawks swept a doubleheader against Bozeman, winning 12-9 and 9-2.

With a record of 11-8, the Lady Seahawks open postseason play Monday in Port St. Joe, where they will face Bozeman in the opening game of the district tourney.

Sweatt said some players are nursing injuries, not unusual for late in the season. She has moved Miranda McLeod up to varsity as an eighth-grader. "She's just a breath of fresh air for our team," Sweatt said. "She has so much heart, and she is such a good sport and cheers everybody on. She's gotten some appearances at the plate and is getting better every day."

Sweatt continues to rotate starting pitchers Chena Segree and Martina. "I have a team full of utility players," Sweatt said. "Everybody's been kind of rotating positions to make our best defense."

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Franklin County junior right-hander James Newell pitched the Seahawks to a 6-3 win April 2 at Port St. Joe, striking out 10 and giving up just one earned run. Coach Mike Emerson said the 5'9" Newell walked just one batter over the course of two games. "He's thrown a lot of strikes," said Emerson. "He's giving us a chance to win."

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TDC reverses stand on island sign

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After several contentious meetings, the Tourist Development Council has ordered the Apalachicola Maritime Museum to alter a sign at the St. George Island Visitor Center.

The sign was part of a triptych; three signs mounted together, one advertising the visitor center, one advertising the Lighthouse Museum and Gift Shop and one crediting the TDC for supporting the two facilities.

Terry Kemp, treasurer for the St. George Island Lighthouse Association, said the association, the maritime museum (AMM) and TDC board member Alice Collins worked together on the design for the signs and on choosing a vendor to create them. Kemp said her association paid for the sign advertising the lighthouse museum. The lighthouse association and the visitor center split the cost of the TDC sign and the installation of the triptych, about \$4,300 total.

George Kirvin Floyd, founder of the AMM, said the visitor center sign was approved and paid for by the TDC.

The visitor center sign reads "St. George Island, Official Host Visitor Center" and incorporates the logo of the AMM including the slogan, "Maritime Museum, Events Trips and Training."

At the April 3 TDC meeting, the content of the sign was criticized as promoting the AMM directly.

"There is no separation of the business and services they provide and the visitor center," said TDC board member Rex Pennycuff. "I don't think visually that you can make that distinction. I'm

gonna speak for a lot of people and the consensus I've heard is that they are promoting themselves."

Fishing guide Charles Wilson said, "That's the consensus of some of the guides. I don't think TDC money can be used to benefit one person or one business. I think that's illegal."

TDC member Chester Reese, who also is charter fishing captain, moved that "offensive language" be removed from the sign.

"I think it will bring people in," said Collins, who also owns a St. George island vacation rental company. "Let's not take it off right now. I think it helps us promote from Franklin County."

The TDC voted to instruct the AMM to remove their slogan from the sign, with Collins, Frank Cook and Paul Parker opposed.

Fishing guides speak out at committee hearing

The move came after several St. George Island merchants attended the March 6 meeting of the TDC and expressed concerns about the operation of the visitor center and the sign. In response to their complaints, the TDC appointed a committee to discuss the operation of the visitor center at a March 28 special meeting held at the Eastpoint Firehouse.

The committee, Cal Allen, Pennycuff and Reese, was accompanied by TDC staffers Curt Blair and Fran Edwards. About 25 people, many of them fishing guides, attended that meeting.

Pennycuff told the group that the operation of the visitor centers was on the table for discussion, but the sign would be an agenda item at the regular April TDC meeting.

"We want to discuss how the

visitor centers have worked in the past and even the playing field for everyone involved," he said.

Newt Colston, president of the St. George Island Civic Association, said he and about 125 island residents who had formerly volunteered at the visitor center had concerns about the knowledge of the current staff.

"We had a lot of knowledge. A lot of the staff now are young folks who haven't grown up on St. George Island and don't know about the businesses," he said.

Colston said he knew of an instance when a visitor had been told he must go to Apalachicola to buy bait. "Folks are disappointed with the knowledge of people working there. Not that these kids are bad or anything else; they just don't know," he said.

Jennifer Daniels, who Floyd said was in charge of staffing at the visitor center, told the meeting that the printed visitor guide created by the TDC was the source for any information given to visitors, and that a copy of it is given to everybody who entered the visitor center.

In a telephone interview following the meeting, Floyd said the visitor center was staffed with AMM employees and on-the-job trainees provided and paid by the Workforce Center in Panama City. He said the Workforce trainees often worked only briefly before leaving to take advantage of other educational opportunities. He said training of staff was ongoing.

Augusta West, executive director of AMM, said any county merchant was welcome to display brochures and business cards at the visitor center. "I welcome this (meeting as a) public forum," she said.

Blair said the committee meeting would allow the TDC to "sort through some issues in a very specific way." He said he believed any misunderstanding or disagreement was merely the result of the transition in administration of the visitor center.

Floyd said some island businesses were unhappy because his employees were distributing the TDC directory instead of a "short list of fishing guides" restricted to those based on the island, which he said was distributed by "the former regime."

Speaking after the meeting, former visitor center volunteers said lists of various businesses, especially restaurants, were distributed but none recalled a "short list" of island guides.

Questions raised on museum's business

Some members of the audience expressed concern that, AMM, a registered 501c3 not-for-profit corporation, offers kayak rentals and charters boats.

"Do you think it's fair for somebody who owns a guide service to run the visitor center on the island?" asked Alan "Woodduck" Richards.

Charter Captain Rex Phipps said, "We contribute to bed tax. We are entertainers. I buy insurance. I buy brochures. We're spending a lot of money to make our telephones ring. We just want equal footing. If the TDC would respect that I'd be eternally grateful."

Floyd said that all not-for-profits raise money.

"The St. George Island Lighthouse Association sold memberships, bricks and climbs. We stopped all of that," he said.

"It's about educating for our maritime heritage. We do a lot of education."

Angela Troy, owner of Island Outfitters, accused Floyd of booking reservations for AMM activities at the visitor center. Floyd denied doing so.

Troy's allegations that tours and rentals were booked at the visitor center are supported by statements from several former volunteers who said they were immediately trained to book reservations for AMM when the maritime museum took over the visitor center.

Floyd said island merchants had spied on the visitor center. He said a survey carried out by his staff in March showed fewer than 2 percent of visitor center inquiries dealt with kayak rentals.

"On the St. George Island Visitor Center web page there's a huge icon that goes straight to the Apalachicola Maritime Museum," said Troy.

Blair said the icon had been removed. "The website link was there for lighthouse association," said West. "We just changed the link to the maritime museum."

She said several county businesses, including AMM, had not been listed on the web directory for the island visitor center when AMM took possession. Blair said it was difficult to keep business listings up to date.

Floyd said he plans to update the business listings for the visitor center website. He said his employees will visit individual businesses so they have first hand information.

Pennycuff said Daniels recently visited his Eastpoint store and

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do for visitors and promoting the environment and all the great things we have in Franklin County.

"If we have done all this with the 2 percent we collect, what can we do with more? If we increase it by 2 percent, that will be an additional \$800,000 per year. That's about \$65,000 monthly," she said.

Jackel received universal support from the TDC board members.

Alice Collins of Collins Vacation Rentals said, "Oh gosh, if it's 4 percent, it's half of what I pay somewhere else. I don't think

you'll find too many lodging vendors who aren't in favor of this."

Rex Pennycuff said, "No one wants to raise taxes but I'm in favor of this tax. This is a user tax. I would venture to say that 98 percent of the people in this room will never pay a penny of this tax."

In a telephone interview, Kathy Robinson, who has interests in real estate, vacation rentals and charter fishing, said she had mixed feelings about the increase.

"I'm not against it," she said. "We can probably do

some good things with that money. But, people do come here because it's more affordable than surrounding areas. This will increase the cost of lodgings. People do pay attention to taxes. When I book a rental I am careful to quote the cost and point out the amount of tax that will be charged."

At least one local lodging provider spoke out strongly against even the existing bed tax in an interview following the TDC meeting.

Jimmy Mosconis, owner of the Bay City Lodge, called it "taxation without representation. It hasn't

helped me one iota and I want out of it," he said.

He pointed out that in Bay County, only vendors to the west of the Hathaway Bridge in the tourism oriented beach area must pay the bed tax.

TDC member Chester Reese of Carrabelle said, "If you look at us we are the lowest in such a great rental area. Everyone's going to benefit from this. I support this tax."

A 4 percent bed tax is smaller than large metro areas like Miami-Dade (9 percent), and New York City (12 percent).

Orlando in Orange County collects 5 percent as do Sarasota, Miami Beach and Leon County. Key West collects 4 percent with a 2 percent add on for conventions.

All other coastal Panhandle counties collect 4 to 5 percent.

Jackel said the money could be used to increase funding to the visitor centers, renovate the Armory and improve water access. Collins suggested some of the money could go towards international marketing.

Jackel urged the board members to take the

proposal directly to the county commission. "If you take it to referendum, you'll never see a dollar this year," she said.

She said that if the TDC asked for two 1 percent increases in the tax, only a majority vote of at least 3-2 would be needed. But, if the TDC requested a 2 percent hike, four of the five county commissioners must support the increase. She speculated that, if the increase passed in May, the TDC could begin collecting the increased tax in June.

Diana Prickett, owner of Resort Vacation Properties, said the transition would take longer because existing rentals would have to be informed of the increase.

Collins said the transition would take "at least three months."

Reese said he wanted to be sure the majority of lodging providers backed the increase before approaching the county commission. "I'd just like to see as many rental providers on board as we can," he said.

Blair said he believed more time was needed to communicate the idea to vendors.

"I think it might be smart for the TDC to send a letter to each lodging provider notifying them this is our plan and this is why we are doing this," Collins said.

Blair suggested lodging vendors be invited to the next TDC meeting to discuss the increase. The board voted unanimously to contact all lodging vendors with the plan and invite them to join the discussion.

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Bids will be received until 4:00 p.m. (EDT), on May 6, 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 May 7, 2013 at the County Commission meeting at 34 Forbes Street, Apalachicola, FL.

Cost for Plans and Specifications will be \$ 50.00 per set and is non-refundable. Checks should be made payable to PREBLE-RISH, INC.

The Board of County Commissioners reserves the right to waive informalities in any bid, to accept and/or reject any or all bids, and to accept the bid that in their judgment will be in the best interest of Franklin County. All bids shall remain firm for a period of sixty days after the opening.

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interviewed him. Pennycuff adjourned the fact finding meeting after an hour. He summed up the discussion by saying the committee would take everyone's concerns back to the TDC.

"Our hope is we can treat everyone as fair as we possibly can," he said.

Chamber offered to consider managing center

At the regular April 3 TDC meeting, Reese told the board the fact-finding meeting had been "very calm and open."

He said the TDC needs to "provide a basic roadmap for visitor centers about how to approach people when they walk through the door."

TDC Chair Pinki Jackel asked if the committee had recommendations.

Reese said the TDC should sign a contract with each visitor center. All and only Franklin County businesses should be represented at the centers and no specific business should ever be named. He suggested staff be uniformly trained and that centers should investigate ways to promote county businesses.

Reese asked if a not-or-profit must manage the centers.

Blaire said the original TDC policy was for chambers of commerce to manage the centers, but because the island never formed a chamber, the TDC signed a one-year contract in 2007 with the lighthouse association to staff the visitor center, which was renewed annually.

In March 2012, the light-

house association informed the TDC that they would not renew their contract, which expired Oct. 1.

After the island civic association and other not-for-profits expressed no interest in managing the center, the TDC chose AMM, based in Apalachicola, to run it. Beverly Hewitt, who serves on both the TDC and the Apalachicola Bay Chamber of Commerce, said Chamber Director Anita Grove was rebuffed by the TDC board when she offered to approach her chamber board about possibly running the center.

AMM signed an agreement in Sept. 2012, to assume leadership at the visitor center, beginning Oct. 1.

While the TDC footed the bill for the visitor center sign, more than \$6,000, it is unclear whether they approved the design. Hewitt said she does not believe the "verbiage" was discussed. Parker and Allen both say they don't remember. Members of the lighthouse association say the design was set before Collins took the proposal before the TDC. Floyd said he is sure the content was discussed at the Jan. 2 TDC meeting and that Parker raised concerns about the sign's content.

Floyd said the word Apalachicola was removed from the logo in deference to TDC concerns. He said he plans to have the signmaker match the paint and cover the slogan but is disappointed that so much controversy erupted. "This should be about what people visiting the area want to know and not about fighting over a sign,"



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The controversial sign at the St. George Island Visitor Center.



Captains Junior Holland, Charles Wilson and Ken Finch and Kathy Robinson of Robinson Realty and Robinson Brother's Guide Service attended the April 3 meeting of the TDC.

Floyd said.

During the discussion at the April meeting, Hewitt suggested that in the future, all visitor

center signs be identical. Jackel said this could be a topic for discussion at future TDC marketing committee meetings.

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"He is under investigation for computer-related crimes," said Johnson. "He does not have a warrant yet."

Diorio was reported missing on Tuesday, April 2 at 4 p.m., prompting investigators to "ping" his phone to obtain the gps coordinates that might confirm his location.

"It came back to a long-lat (longitude-latitude) at Duck Lake, just north of Larnark, off of Lake Morality Road," said Johnson. An emergency request to Verizon was able to determine a more precise location for the telephone.

"We rode out to the coordinates and we didn't see his truck so we called FWC," said Johnson.

A Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission helicopter eventually located the green 1996 Dodge Ram truck from the air. "When we got to the truck he was not there but his phone was," said Johnson. Clothes and tools were in the truck, but "nothing out of the ordinary."

The Department of Corrections k-9 team searched the area, first with beagles then with bloodhounds, but found no trace of Diorio.

FWC officers fanned out on foot until darkness, and then again Wednesday morning.

Officers interviewed friends and family, and again Johnson would not confirm what law enforcement had learned, hinting only that there were suspicions that one or more of these individuals might know the whereabouts of the 5'11", 170-pound Diorio, who has green eyes and brown hair.

He also has a criminal record, and is on probation for four May 2011 offenses, two in Franklin County and two in Wakulla.

In Dec. 2011, he was found guilty of misdemeanor - criminal mischief, and grand theft under \$5,000, in Wakulla, and sentenced to two years probation. Also that month, he received three-years probation in Franklin County for trafficking in stolen property.

Anyone having information about Diorio is asked to call Johnson at 670-8083.

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90664T IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO.: 2010-CA-000038

BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING, LP, FKA COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING, LP Plaintiff,

BILLIE J. ADAMS; STEPHEN H. ADAMS; ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER, AND AGAINST THE HEREIN NAMED INDIVIDUAL DEFENDANT(S) WHO ARE NOT KNOWN TO BE DEAD OR ALIVE, WHETHER SAID UNKNOWN PARTIES MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST AS SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS, Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order on Plaintiff's Motion to Cancel and Reschedule Foreclosure Sale dated March 11, 2013, entered in Civil Case No. 2010-CA-000038 of the Circuit Court of the Second Judicial Circuit in and for Franklin County, Florida, wherein the Clerk of the Circuit Court will sell to the highest bidder for cash on 10th day of July, 2013, at 11:00 a.m. on the front steps of the Franklin County Courthouse, 33 Market Street, Apalachicola, Florida 32320, relative to the following described property as set forth in the Final Judgment, to wit:

LOT 6, BLOCK 3, SUN 'N SAND, UNIT NO. 2, ACCORDING TO PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 4, PAGE 12, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA.

TOGETHER WITH THAT CERTAIN 2008 DESTINY MANUFACTURED HOME, SERIAL NUMBER DISH05357GAA/B.

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.

ATTENTION: PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES 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: Court Administrator FL Phone: (850)577-4401

DATED AT APALACHICOLA, FLORIDA THIS 13TH DAY OF MARCH, 2013.

MARCIA M. JOHNSON CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA

Michele Maxwell Deputy Clerk

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April 4, 11, 2013

90666T IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION Case #: 2011-CA-000419

PNC Bank, National Association, Plaintiff,

vs.

Vera M. Snider and Vera S. Dudley, Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order dated March 11, 2013, entered in Civil Case No. 2011-CA-000419 of the Circuit Court of the 2nd Judicial Circuit in and for Franklin County, Florida, wherein PNC Bank, National Association, Plaintiff and Vera M. Snider and Vera S. Dudley are defendant(s), I, Clerk of Court, Marcia M. Johnson, will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash AT THE WEST FRONT DOOR OF THE FRANKLIN COUNTY COURTHOUSE, LOCATED ON HWY 98, IN APALACHICOLA, FLORIDA, AT 11:00 A.M. on June 27, 2013, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to-wit:

COMMENCE AT THE ABUTMENT OF THE SOUTH APPROACH OF THE CARRABELLE RIVER BRIDGE WITH THE CENTERLINE OF STATE ROAD NO. 30 (U.S. HIGHWAY NO. 98) AND RUN SOUTH 21 DEGREES 05 DEGREES 00 SECONDS WEST ALONG SAID CENTERLINE 100.00 FEET, THENCE LEAVING SAID CENTERLINE RUN NORTH 63 DEGREES 03 MINUTES 00 SECONDS WEST 68.00 FEET TO THE WESTERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY BOUNDARY OF STATE ROAD NO. 30 (U.S. HIGHWAY NO. 98), THENCE RUN SOUTH 21 DEGREES 75 MINUTES 00 SECONDS WEST ALONG SAID RIGHT-OF-WAY BOUNDARY 351.90 FEET TO THE INTERSECTION OF SAID WESTERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY BOUNDARY WITH THE NORTHERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY BOUNDARY OF STATE ROAD NO. 30 (U.S. HIGHWAY NO. 98), THENCE RUN NORTH 76 DEGREES 55 MINUTES 00 SECONDS WEST ALONG SAID NORTHERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY BOUNDARY 127.81 FEET TO A CONCRETE MONUMENT (MARKED #2919), THENCE LEAVING SAID RIGHT-OF-WAY BOUNDARY RUN NORTH 13 DEGREES 04 MINUTES 39 SECONDS EAST 114.09 FEET TO A POINT LYING ON THE APPROXIMATE MEAN HIGH WATER LINE OF THE CARRABELLE RIVER, THENCE RUN SOUTH-EASTERLY ALONG SAID APPROXIMATE MEAN HIGH WATER LINE AS FOLLOWS: SOUTH 74 DEGREES 08 MINUTES 52 SECONDS EAST 76.71 FEET, SOUTH 86 DEGREES 42 MINUTES 11 SECONDS EAST 6.26 FEET, SOUTH 76 DEGREES 07 MINUTES 24 SECONDS EAST 12.15 FEET, SOUTH 70 DEGREES 37 MINUTES 18 SECONDS EAST 18.64

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FEET, SOUTH 76 DEGREES 36 MINUTES 03 SECONDS EAST 19.85 FEET, THENCE LEAVING SAID APPROXIMATE MEAN HIGH WATER LINE RUN SOUTH 15 DEGREES 58 MINUTES 01 SECONDS WEST 109.27 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 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 the ADA Coordinator: 301 South Monroe Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32301; (850)577-4430 at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification of the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days. If you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

Marcia M. Johnson CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT Franklin County, Florida

Michele Maxwell Deputy Clerk of Court

Submitted By: ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF: SHAPIRO, FISHMAN & GACHE, LLP 2424 North Federal Highway, Suite 360 Boca Raton, Florida 33431 (561)998-6700 (561)998-6707 April 4, 11, 2013

90682T IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION Case No.: 19-2012-CA-000449

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR THE HOLDERS OF HTE ASSET BACKED PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2002-HE1 Plaintiff,

vs.

CAROL THOMPSON; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF CAROL THOMPSON; BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONER FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA; UNKNOWN TENANT #1; UNKNOWN TENANT #2; ALL OTHER UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING INTERESTS BY, THROUGH, UNDER, AND AGAINST A NAMED DEFENDANT(S) WHO ARE NOT KNOWN TO BE DEAD OR ALIVE, WHETHER SAME UNKNOWN PARTIES MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST AS SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS, Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF ACTION

TO: CAROL THOMPSON Last Known Address: 495 McIntyre Road Carrabelle, Florida 32322

Current Address: Unknown

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Previous Address: 192 14th Street Apalachicola, Florida 32320

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TO: UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF CAROL THOMPSON

Last Known Address: 495 McIntyre Road Carrabelle, Florida 32322

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TO: ALL OTHER UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING INTERESTS BY, THROUGH, UNDER, AND AGAINST A NAMED DEFENDANT(S) WHO ARE NOT KNOWN TO BE DEAD OR ALIVE, WHETHER SAME UNKNOWN PARTIES MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST AS SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS

whose residence is unknown Defendants who may be spouses, heirs, devisees, grantees, assignees, lienors, creditors, trustees, and all parties claiming an interest by, through, under or against the Defendants, who are not known to be dead or alive, and all parties having or claiming to have any right, title or interest in the property described in the mortgage being foreclosed herein

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

PARCEL L: COMMENCE AT AN OLD IRON PIPE MARKING THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE 6.00 ACRE TRACT OF LAND DEEDED TO MORRIS H. MILLER AND LOLA MILLER, HIS WIFE, AS RECORDED IN DEED BOOK P. P., PAGES 287 TO 288, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA, SAID OLD IRON PIPE BEING ON THE WESTERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY BOUNDARY OF THE SEABOARD AIRLINE RAILROAD (ORIGINALLY THE GEORGIA, FLORIDA & ALABAMA RAILROAD) (ABANDONED), AND THENCE RUN SOUTH 03 DEGREES 25 MINUTES EAST (BEARING BASE) ALONG SAID WESTERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY BOUNDARY 120 FEET TO A CONCRETE MONUMENT FOR THE POINT OF BEGINNING. FROM SAID POINT OF BEGINNING, CONTINUE SOUTH 03 DEGREES 25 MINUTES EAST ALONG SAID WESTERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY BOUNDARY 59 FEET TO A CONCRETE MONUMENT, THENCE LEAVING SAID WESTERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY BOUNDARY RUN SOUTH 87 DEGREES 36 MINUTES 03 SECONDS WEST 149.78 FEET TO A CONCRETE MONUMENT, THENCE RUN NORTH 03 DEGREES 25 MINUTES WEST 64.8 FEET TO A CONCRETE MONUMENT, THENCE RUN NORTH 89 DEGREES 49 MINUTES EAST 150.0 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, SITUATE, LYING AND BEING IN SECTION 10, TOWNSHIP 6 SOUTH, RANGE 3 WEST, FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA. PARCEL 2: COMMENCING AT A POINT ON THE RIGHT OF WAY OF THE SEABOARD AIR LINE RAILROAD, ORIGINALLY THE GEORGIA, FLORIDA AND ALABAMA RAILROAD RIGHT OF WAY DIRECTLY OPPOSITE OR ACROSS THE TRACK FROM THE THIRTEEN (13) MILE POST, RUNNING THENCE SOUTH ALONG SAID RIGHT

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This property is located at the Street address of: 495 McIntyre Road, Carrabelle, Florida 32322

YOU ARE REQUIRED to serve a copy of your written defenses on or before a date which is within 30 days after the first publication, if any, on Elizabeth R. Wellborn, P.A., Plaintiff's Attorney, whose address is 350 Jim Moran Blvd., Suite 100, Deerfield Beach, Florida 33442, and file the original with this Court either before service on Plaintiff's Attorney, or immediately thereafter; otherwise, a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint or Petition.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of the court on March 25, 2013.

MARCIA JOHNSON CLERK OF THE COURT

By: Terry E. Creamer Deputy Clerk

Attorney for Plaintiff: Brian Streicher, Esq. Jacquelyn C. Herrman, Esq. Elizabeth R. Wellborn, P.A.

350 Jim Moran Blvd., Suite 100 Deerfield Beach, FL 33442 Phone: (954)354-3544 Fax: (954)354-3545 Primary email: rcllemente@erlaw.com Secondary email: servicecomplete@erlaw.com File No: 5646-55956

**IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE 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: Susan Wilson, ADA Coordinator, 301 South Monroe Street, Tallahassee, FL 32301, 850.577.4401 at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, 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.

90698T IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION Case No. 192011CA00040XXXXX

FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION, Plaintiff,

vs.

LARRY JOE SMITH; et al., Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45

NOTICE IS HEREBY

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GIVEN pursuant to an Order or Summary Final Judgment of foreclosure dated March 25, 2013, and entered in Case No. 192011CA00040XXXXX of the Circuit Court in and for Franklin County, Florida, wherein FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION is Plaintiff and LARRY JOE SMITH; STEPHANIE A. SMITH; UNKNOWN TENANT NO. 1; UNKNOWN TENANT NO. 2; and ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING INTERESTS BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST A NAMED DEFENDANT TO THIS ACTION, OR HAVING OR CLAIMING TO HAVE ANY RIGHT, TITLE OR INTEREST IN THE PROPERTY HEREIN DESCRIBED, are Defendants, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the Front Door of the Franklin County Courthouse, 33 Market Street, Apalachicola, FL 32320 County, Florida, 11:00 a.m. on the 9th day of May, 2013, the following described property as set forth in said Order or Final Judgment, to-wit:

COMMENCE AT A CONCRETE MONUMENT MARKING THE INTERSECTION OF THE NORTHERLY BOUNDARY OF THE 100.00 FOOT RIGHT-OF-WAY OF U.S. HIGHWAY NO. 319 WITH THE EAST BOUNDARY LINE OF SECTION 29, TOWNSHIP 8 SOUTH, RANGE 6 WEST, FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA (SAID CONCRETE MONUMENT BEING LOCATED 504.00 FEET SOUTH OF THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 29) AND THENCE RUN SOUTH 65 DEGREES 30 MINUTES 00 SECONDS WEST ALONG SAID RIGHT-OF-WAY BOUNDARY 1282.00 FEET TO THE EAST-ERLY BOUNDARY OF TENTH STREET, THENCE RUN NORTH 24 DEGREES 25 MINUTES 00 SECONDS WEST ALONG SAID RIGHT-OF-WAY BOUNDARY 99.95 FEET TO AN IRON PIPE THENCE RUN NORTH 65 DEGREES 45 MINUTES 21 SECONDS EAST 235.00 FEET, THENCE RUN SOUTH 24 DEGREES 25 MINUTES 00 SECONDS EAST 100.00 FEET TO A CONCRETE MONUMENT, THENCE RUN SOUTH 65 DEGREES 47 MINUTES 13 SECONDS WEST 235.00 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 60 DAYS AFTER THE SALE.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, persons needing special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact the Clerk of the Court not later than five business days prior to the proceeding at the Franklin County Courthouse, Telephone: 850-653-8861 or 1-800-955-8770 via Florida Relay Service.

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DATED at Apalachicola, Florida, on March 26, 2013.

Marcia M. Johnson As Clerk of Circuit Court

By Michele Maxwell As Deputy Clerk

SHD Legal Group PA. Attorneys for Plaintiff PO BOX 11438 Fort Lauderdale, FL 33339-1438 Phone: (954)564-0071 Fax: 561-241-9181 answers@shdlegalgroup.com April 4, 11, 2013

90716T IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION CASE NO. 192012CA000348CAXXXX

DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE FOR SOUNDVIEW HOME LOAN TRUST 2006-OPT3, ASSET BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-OPT3, Plaintiff,

vs.

JUDITH A. THOMPSON A/K/A JUDITH THOMPSON, et al. Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated March 25, 2013, and entered in 192012CA000348CA XXXX of the Circuit Court of the Second Judicial Circuit in and for Franklin County, Florida, wherein DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE FOR SOUNDVIEW HOME LOAN TRUST 2006-OPT3, ASSET BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-OPT3, is the Plaintiff and JUDITH A. THOMPSON A/K/A JUDITH THOMPSON; CENTENNIAL BANK, AS SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST TO COASTAL COMMUNITY BANK; UNKNOWN TENANTS are the Defendant(s). Kendall Wade as the Clerk of the Circuit Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, 2nd floor lobby, 33 Market Street, Apalachicola, FL 32320, at 11:00 AM on May 16, 2013, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

THAT CERTAIN PARCEL OF LAND IN THE N.E. 1/4 OF FRAC-TIONAL SECTION 27, T8S, R8W HEREBY FURTHER DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: FROM THE NORTHEASTERLY INTERSECTION OF TWO PROPOSED 66 FOOT ROADS, 1765 FEET DUE NORTH AND 218.5 FEET WEST OF THE S.W. CORNER (CON.MON.) OF THE N.E. 1/4 OF SAID SECTION 27, RUN SOUTH 66 DEGREES EAST ALONG THE NORTHERLY BOUNDARY OF THE ROAD, 144 FEET TO A POINT FOR BEGINNING; RUN THENCE, CONTINUING ALONG ROAD, 200 FEET; THENCE NORTH 24 DEGREES EAST 145 FEET, MORE OR LESS, TO THE CREEK; THENCE NORTHWESTERLY ALONG CREEK TO A POINT NORTH 24 DEGREES EAST OF THE PLACE OF BEGINNING; THENCE SOUTH 24 DEGREES WEST 145 FEET, MORE OR LESS, TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

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

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

Dated this 2nd day of April, 2013.

Marcia M. Johnson Clerk of Court

By Michele Maxwell As Deputy Clerk

IMPORTANT

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: Susan Wilson, ADA Coordinator, 301 South Monroe Street, Tallahassee, FL 32301 850.577.4401, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, 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.

Submitted by: Robertson, Anschutz & Schneid, P.L. Attorneys for Plaintiff 3010 N. Military Trail, Suite 300 Boca Raton, FL 33431 Phone: 561-241-6901 Fax: 561-241-9181 April 11, 18, 2013

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated March 25, 2013, and entered in Case No. 09000677CA, of the Circuit Court of the Second Judicial Circuit in and for Franklin County, Florida, wherein SUNTRUST BANK, INC. Plaintiff,

vs.

MELANIE JANE TURNER; STANLEY W. BENECKI; Defendants.

RE-NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order Rescheduling Foreclosure Sale dated March 25, 2013, and entered in Case No. 09000677CA, of the Circuit Court of the 2nd Judicial Circuit in and for FRANKLIN County, Florida. SUNTRUST BANK, INC. is Plaintiff and MELANIE JANE TURNER; STANLEY W. BENECKI; are defendant(s). I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash IN THE LOBBY ON THE 2ND FLOOR OF THE COURTHOUSE, at 33 MARKET STREET, APALACHICOLA IN FRANKLIN County, Florida 32320, at 11:00 A.M., on the 16th day of May, 2013, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

LOT 5, UNRECORDED, DOG ISLAND, FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA, AS MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

COMMENCE AT A POINT ON THE EAST-ERLY BOUNDARY OF FRACTIONAL SECTION 11, TOWNSHIP 8 SOUTH, RANGE 4 WEST, DOG ISLAND, FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA SAID POINT LYING 395.98 FEET SOUTH OF THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SAID FRACTIONAL SECTION 11, SAID POINT ALSO LYING ON THE SOUTHERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY BOUNDARY OF GULF SHORE DRIVE, THENCE RUN SOUTHWESTERLY ALONG SAID SOUTHERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY BOUNDARY THE FOLLOWING COURSES: SOUTH 67 DEGREES 00 MINUTES 00 SECONDS WEST 1096.00 FEET, SOUTH 60 DEGREES 56 MINUTES

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30 SECONDS WEST 3600.00 FEET SOUTH 62 DEGREES 03 MINUTES 30 SECONDS WEST 1100.00 FEET TO A RE-ROD (MARKED #6475) MARKING THE POINT OF BEGINNING. FROM SAID POINT OF BEGINNING AND LEAVING SAID RIGHT-OF-WAY BOUNDARY RUN SOUTH 26 DEGREES 38 MINUTES 06 SECONDS EAST 182.38 FEET TO THE APPROXIMATE MEAN HIGH WATER LINE OF THE GULF OF MEXICO, THENCE RUN SOUTH 66 DEGREES 44 MINUTES 51 SECONDS WEST ALONG SAID MEAN HIGH WATER LINE 29.48 FEET, THENCE RUN SOUTH 60 DEGREES 23 MINUTES 30 SECONDS WEST ALONG SAID MEAN HIGH WATER LINE 70.37 FEET, THENCE LEAVING SAID MEAN HIGH WATER LINE RUN NORTH 26 DEGREES 38 MINUTES 06 SECONDS WEST 182.01 FEET TO A CONCRETE MONUMENT LYING ON THE SOUTHERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY BOUNDARY OF GULF SHORE DRIVE, THENCE RUN NORTH 62 DEGREES 03 MINUTES 30 SECONDS EAST ALONG SAID RIGHT-OF-WAY BOUNDARY 99.73 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

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

Dated this 26th day of March, 2013.

Marcia Johnson As Clerk of said Court

By: Michele Maxwell As Deputy Clerk

This notice is provided pursuant to Administrative Order No. 2065.

In accordance with the 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 provisions of certain assistance. Please contact the Court Administrator at 33 Market Street, Suite 203, Apalachicola, FL 32320, Phone No. (904)653-8861, Extension 106 within 2 working days of your receipt of this notice or pleading; if you are hearing impaired, call 1-800-955-8771 (TDD); if you are voice impaired, call 1-800-995-8770 (V) (Via Florida Relay Services).

Submitted by: Kahane & Associates, PA. 8201 Peters Road, Ste. 3000 Plantation, FL 33324 Phone: (954) 382-3486 Fax: (954)382-5380 Designated service email: notice@kahaneandassociates.com File No.: 12-08804 April 11, 18, 2013

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION CASE NO.: 19-2012-CA-000450 SEC.: _____

U.S. BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR THE HOLDERS OF THE BEAR STEARNS ARM TRUST, MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2005-6 Plaintiff,

vs.

LARRY V. FILA, JR., et al Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF ACTION

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FOR FORECLOSURE PROCEEDING-PROPERTY
TO: LARRY V. FILA, JR. (AVOIDER), ADDRESS UNKNOWN BUT WHOSE LAST KNOWN ADDRESS IS: 441 HAWTHORNE RD. LINTHICUM, MD 21090
CYNTHIA R. FILA (AVOIDER), ADDRESS UNKNOWN BUT WHOSE LAST KNOWN ADDRESS IS: 441 HAWTHORNE RD. LINTHICUM, MD 21090

Residence unknown, if living, including any unknown spouse of the said Defendants, if either has remarried and if either or both of said Defendant(s) are dead, their respective unknown heirs, devisees, grantees, assignees, creditors, lienors, and trustees, and all other persons claiming by, through, under or against the named Defendant(s); and the aforementioned named Defendant(s) and such of the aforementioned unknown Defendant(s) as may be infants, incompetents or otherwise not sui juris

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT AN ACTION has been commenced to foreclose a mortgage on the following real property, lying and being and situated in FRANKLIN COUNTY, Florida, more particularly described as follows:

LOT 23, BLOCK 69, UNIT 5, ST. GEORGE ISLAND GULF BEACHES, AS SUBDIVISION AS PER MAP OR PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGES 16 AND 17 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA.

AND

A RECTANGULAR PARCEL OF LAND SITUATED IN THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 22, BLOCK 69, ST. GEORGE ISLAND GULF BEACHES UNIT NO. 5, AS PER MAP OR PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGES 16 AND 17, PUBLIC RECORDS OF FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA, AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

BEGIN AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 22, BLOCK 69, ST. GEORGE ISLAND GULF BEACHES UNIT NO. 5, AS PER MAP OR PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGES 16 AND 17, PUBLIC RECORDS OF FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA, WHICH IS THE POINT OF THE BEGINNING, FROM SAID POINT OF BEGINNING RUN SOUTH 24°33' EAST ALONG THE WEST SIDE OF LOT 22 A DISTANCE OF 5 FEET; THENCE NORTH 63°31' EAST 22 FEET, MORE OR LESS, TO THE WATERS OF ST. GEORGE SOUND; THENCE IN A NORTHERLY DIRECTION ALONG THE SHORE OF ST. GEORGE SOUND 5 FEET, MORE OR LESS, TO THE NORTH SIDE OF LOT 22 A DISTANCE OF 22 FEET, MORE OR LESS, TO THE POINT OF THE BEGINNING.

COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 781 WEST PINE AVENUE, SAINT GEORGE ISLAND, FL 32328

This action has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defense, if any, such as Morris Hardwick Schneider, LLC, Attorneys for Plaintiff, whose address is 5110 Eisenhower Blvd, Suite 120, Tampa, FL 33634 within thirty (30) days of the first publication and file the original with the clerk of this Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

WITNESS my hand and seal of this Court on the 26th day of February, 2013.

Marcia M. Johnson
Clerk of Court
Clerk of Circuit Court

By: Terry E. Creamer
Deputy Clerk

"If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact Susan Wilson, ADA Coordinator, 301 South Monroe Street, Tallahassee, FL 32301; 850-577-4401; at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the

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time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711." April 4, 11, 2013
93017T IN THE COUNTY COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA
Case No.: 19 2012 CC 000114

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

vs.
JAY GREGORY BRANCH, SR., Defendant.

NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated March 26, 2013, and entered in Case No. 19 2012 CC 000114 of the County Court of the Second Judicial Circuit in and for Franklin County, Florida, wherein ST. GEORGE PLANTATION OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., is Plaintiff, and JAY GREGORY BRANCH, SR. is Defendant. I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash in the Front Steps of the Franklin County Courthouse at 33 Market Street, Apalachicola, FL 32320, Franklin County, Florida, at 11:00 am on the 9th day of May, 2013 the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

Lot 28, of Windjammer Village, according to the Plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 4, at Page 38 and 39, of the Public Records of Franklin County, Florida.

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 Danny Davis, ADA Coordinator, Court Technology Office, Office of Court Administration, 301 S. Monroe St., Rm 225, Tallahassee, FL 32303, (850) 577-3401 at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, 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.

DATED this 26th day of March, 2013.

Marcia M. Johnson,
Clerk of Circuit Court

By: Terry E. Creamer
Deputy Clerk

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.

Becker & Poliakoff, P.A.
Attorney for Plaintiff
348 Miracle Strip Pkwy SW, Suite 7
Ft. Walton Beach, FL 32548-5253
(850) 664-2229
(850) 664-7882 Fax
April 4, 11, 2013

93027T IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL ACTION CASE NO.: 19-2010-CA-000350 DIVISION:

US BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR WFASC 2005-AR3, Plaintiff,

vs.
MARK E. GADDIS A/K/A MARK GADDIS, et al, Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Mortgage Foreclosure dated February 25, 2013 and entered in Case No. 19-2010-CA-000350 of the Circuit Court of the SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT in and for FRANKLIN County, Florida wherein US BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR WFASC 2005-AR3 is the Plaintiff and MARK E. GADDIS A/K/A MARK GADDIS; JACKIE GADDIS A/K/A JACKIE T. GADDIS; WELLS FARGO BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO WACHOVIA BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION; THE TOWNHOMES OF ST. GEORGE 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 FRANK-

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LIN COUNTY COURT-HOUSE, 33 MARKET STREET, APALACHICOLA, FLORIDA at 11:00AM, on the 25th day of April, 2013, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment:

LOT 11, BLOCK L, THREE HUNDRED OCEAN MILE PHASE 2, A SUBDIVISION AS PER MAP OR PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 5, AT PAGE 32, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA.

A/K/A 1804 GULF BEACH DRIVE, ST. GEORGE ISLAND, FL 32328

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 February 26, 2013.

Marcia M. Johnson
Clerk of 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 Courthouse, 301 South Monroe Street, Tallahassee, FL 32301 Phone: 850-577-4401, Fax: 850-487-7947
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April 11, 18, 2013

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LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is given pursuant to Florida Self-Storage Facility Act, Florida Statutes, Chapter 83, Part IV, that Seminole Safe N Secure Storage will hold a sale by sealed bid on:

April 27, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. at 162 US 98, Eastpoint, Florida 32328 of the contents of mini-warehouse(s) containing personal property of:

Tonita Turn
Lanny Hardman
Kristy Glass
Fred Wayne Walker
Anna Marie Konopka
Charlene Fincher
Paul Craft

Before the sale date of April 27, 2013, the property may be redeemed by payment in cash or money order of the outstanding balance and cost by mailing it to Post Office Box 1054, Eastpoint, Florida 32328, or by paying in person.
April 11, 18, 2013

PUBLIC NOTICES ANNOUNCEMENTS
1120

Concealed Weapons Permit Class
NRA Certified instructor teaching the CWP class in Eastpoint FL, April 13th and 14th at 2:00 pm. Only \$80! Call (850) 878-6421 for Details and Reservations.

PETS & ANIMALS
2100-2150
2100 - Pets
2110 - Pets: Free to Good Home
2120 - Pet Supplies
2130 - Farm Animals/Supplies
2140 - Pets/Livestock Wanted
2150 - Pet Memorials

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2100

French Bulldog puppies for sale, 10 weeks old, 2 Males and 1 female, Shots, house broken, healthy, \$700
janemiller230@aol.com (850) 653-2542
Text FL47125 to 56654

Lost Small White Dog

Long hair male maltese mix about 10 pounds, a family member, lost in Carrabelle
\$500 Reward
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Text FL43940 to 56654

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3110 - Appliances
3120 - Arts & Crafts
3130 - Auctions
3140 - Baby Items
3150 - Building Supplies
3160 - Business Equipment
3170 - Collectibles
3180 - Computers
3190 - Electronics
3200 - Firewood
3210 - Free Pass It On
3220 - Furniture
3230 - Garage/Yard Sales
3240 - Guns
3250 - Good Things to Eat
3260 - Health & Fitness
3270 - Jewelry/Clothing
3280 - Machinery/Equipment
3290 - Medical Equipment
3300 - Miscellaneous
3310 - Musical Instruments
3320 - Plants & Shrubs/Supplies
3330 - Restaurant/Hotel
3340 - Sporting Goods
3350 - Tickets (Buy & Sell)

GARAGE/YARD SALES
3230

Carabelle: Carabelle Flea Market (Behind the IGA) Saturday April 13th, 8am until Vendors Welcome

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4100

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Best Western

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Weekends Required
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Bartender / Therapist Needed

The Port Inn/Thirsty Goat is now accepting applications for a part time bartender. The ideal candidate will have a thorough knowledge of liquors, beers, wines, and mixology techniques, but we are willing to train the right person. If you have an eye for detail, the highest desire to deliver superior service, and can play well with others, we would love to hear from you! Apply in person at the address below. E.O.E. DFWP Port Inn 501 Monument Ave. Port St. Joe, FL 32456

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Papa Joe's Oyster Bar & Grill
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Hospitality

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Evening Cook Needed

The Thirsty Goat is now accepting applications for an evening cook. The ideal candidate will have restaurant experience, but we are willing to train the right person. Applicants must have the ability to function in a fast paced environment while remaining professional and friendly. Candidates must be able to work weekends and holidays, dependability is a must! If you have an eye for detail, the highest desire to deliver superior service, and can play well with others, we would love to hear from you! Apply in person at the address below. E.O.E. DFWP Port Inn 501 Monument Ave. Port St. Joe, FL 32456

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6200 - Vacation Rentals

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Appalachicola 4 Bedroom/ 1 Bath. Wood frame. Central heat and air, all appliances electrical. \$950/ month, plus \$950 deposit. Call (561) 312-7188

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8240 - Boat & Marine Supplies
8245 - Boat Slips & Docks
8310 - Aircraft/Aviation
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8330 - Campers & Trailers
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CARS
8110

Total Down Pmt \$775
'01 Chrysler 300
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Total Down Pmt \$975
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8130

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8210

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'Jury Room' to open at the Dixie

The Panhandle Players will present C.B. Gilford's "Jury Room" April 19-21 at the Dixie Theatre in Apalachicola. Twelve jurors gather to decide the innocence or guilt of a young girl. Did she stab her uncle in cold blood? Eleven jurors say yes; one, a student actress played by Katie McFarland, says no. The jurors agree to her request to re-enact the crime right there. Props are brought in, including the actual murder weapon. The actress becomes the accused.

The foreman, played by Gary Niblack, takes the part of the murdered man, and as the re-enactment proceeds, some people begin to lose themselves in their parts. It's a tense situation, for if the girl did not kill her uncle, who did? Could it even be one of the characters on stage? The verdict, the solution and the climax of the play arrive together in a single, smashing conclusion.

Also appearing in the show are Royce Rolstad as Young Man, Robbie Johnson as Angry Man, Jeana Crozier as Shy Girl, Laura Baney as Blonde, Denise Butler as Society Woman, Sally Crown and Judy Loftus as Old Ladies, Bobbi Ann Sewell as Brunette, Bob Caiola as Middle Aged Man and David Adlerstein as Man With Glasses.

"Jury Room" shows at 7:30 p.m. April 19-20 and 3 p.m. April 21. Tickets are available at the Dixie box office, Downtown Books, Butler Agency or at the door. Cash or check only. For more information, call 370-5281.



PHOTOS BY ROYCE ROLSTAD | Special to the Times

Katie McFarland plays the lone juror who thinks a defendant is innocent in "Jury Room," showing April 19-21 at the Dixie Theatre. Gary Niblack, seated, plays the foreman. **BELOW:** Royce Rolstad, left, plays Young Man, and Robbie Johnson, right, plays Angry Man.



News BRIEFS

County issues herbicide guidelines

At the request of Transfield Services, the firm that maintains the state right-of-way in the county, the county commission has issued a memo instructing Transfield on the use of herbicides.

The herbicide used is the most environmentally friendly and safest and appropriate for the application area per federal/state guidelines.

Transfield or any other approved agent keep accurate and up-to-date herbicide applications logs for auditing purposes and any employee of Transfield or any other FDOT approved agent applying chemicals must be an approved and licensed herbicide applicator as outlined in Florida Statutes.

The recommendations were prepared by Director of Administrative Services Alan Pierce and County Extension Agent Bill Mahan.

Carrabelle honors volunteers

At the April 4 meeting, Carrabelle commissioners made three proclamations. April was officially designated as both "Water Conservation Month" and "Clean Up Carrabelle Month" and the week of April 21-27 was officially designated as "National Volunteer Week" by the city.

Carrabelle historic preservation project complete

Renovations to the old Carrabelle City Hall, now the Carrabelle History Museum are complete. The work was funded by a \$50,000 Historic Preservation Grant.

The work included combining two small existing restrooms into one Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliant facility.

The electrical system of the building received a total upgrade and new lighting was installed on the first floor. Historical Society President Tamara Allen said the new track lighting has already received many compliments. In addition, the entry to the museum has been upgraded with an ADC compliant access ramp.



Trivia Fun

Wilson Casey
WC@TriviaGuy.com

"Trivia Fun" with Wilson Casey, Guinness World Record Holder from Woodruff, S.C., is published in more than 500 newspapers across the country and is now a weekly feature in The Times.

1) How did host Jim Lange refer to a

female contestant on older TV's "The Dating Game"?

Beautiette, Ladymore, Bachelorette, Lovelylou

2) Statistically, within the next seven days how many Americans will be injured by jewelry?

59, 234, 600, 800

3) Where are you subject to fines for making ugly faces at dogs?

Oklahoma, Montreal, Florida, Moscow

4) Worcestershire sauce is basically what kind of ketchup?

Mustard, Pepper, Anchovy, Vinegar

5) Which capital city was once known as Beverwyck?

Annapolis, Albany, Atlanta, Austin

6) How many blowholes does a blue whale have?

1, 2, 3, 4

7) Whom did Frank Sinatra say was his

greatest musical influence?

Ink Spots, Billie Holiday, Midge Williams, Boswell Sisters

8) Where was "chicken divan" created at the Divan Parisien Restaurant?

NYC, Chicago, Seattle, Boston

9) In ancient Rome it was a sign of leadership to be born with a crooked "what"?

Wrist, Neck, Nose, Foot

10) Which Charles is said to have devised the first "chuck wagon"?

Pieman, Fryer, Cooker, Goodnight

11) Of these celebrities, who's allergic to horses?

Brad Pitt, Sandra Bullock, Eminem, Usher

12) Where is it illegal to give someone a box of candy weighing more than 50 pounds?

Alaska, Texas, Idaho, Virginia

13) Generally, smokers eat more of what than non-smokers?

Pasta, Sugar, Fruit, Pizza

14) What do skunks occasionally do right before they spray?

Handstands, Twirls, Jumps, Rollovers

ANSWERS

1) Bachelorette. 2) 800. 3) Oklahoma. 4) Anchovy. 5) Albany. 6) 2. 7) Billie Holiday. 8) NYC. 9) Nose. 10) Goodnight. 11) Sandra Bullock. 12) Idaho. 13) Sugar. 14) Handstands.

Real Estate Picks

Best Values on the Forgotten Coast

Our local real estate experts have identified what they feel are the best values around and are offering them to you in Real Estate Picks! (In this section), Discover the best real estate values in Mexico Beach, Port St. Joe, Apalachicola, Cape San Blas, St. George Island, Carrabelle and surrounding areas.

MLS# 248579 \$649,900 St. George Island



SHELL HARBOR BAYFRONT

4 BR, 4.5 BA, Guest Cottage, boat/RV garage, Gulf view from office/den, Bay view lounge area could be 5th BR, Screened porches, Guest cottage with kitchenette, full bath & screened porch, Dock, Quality Construction, lots of storage, beautiful sunsets!

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MLS# 248242 \$279,900 St. George Island



1ST TIER PLANTATION LOT

Great Gulf Views! Panoramic views to the east & north, Attention pilots! Near the Plantation airport; One acre lot, Adjacent to boardwalk to Gulf, One of the highest lots on the Island, Amenities include New Club house & Pool. Seaside Drive, Nick's Hole

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MLS 242645 • \$499,900 • Carrabelle/Bay Front



This gorgeous home is a "MUST SEE" on all levels. From the unique architecture to the breath-taking views on the bay. This 2 BR / 2 BA home features a 250 ft dock, hurricane shutters, custom lighting, wood floors, fireplace, wrap around decks and on 2 acres.

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MLS 248897 ST. GEORGE ISLAND \$1,299,000



"Positive Space" - Immaculately maintained custom home designed by architect Larry Burke on a one acre landscaped lot in prestigious St. George Plantation! This one owner home is beautifully furnished and features Gulf views across the entire southern wall of the house. The spacious master suite totally occupies the 2nd floor with easy access to the laundry room from the bedroom. Both guest bedrooms have private baths and the "den" can serve as a 4th bedroom with a half bath or office/craft room. Beautiful full porches for easy entertaining and enjoying the Gulf view. This home also has a gas fireplace and oak floors throughout the living/dining areas. Square footage, acreage and lot dimensions are taken from County Property Appraiser's website.

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