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### Out to see

#### Take me out to the ballgame

Come out to the ballfields at the Franklin County School this Friday, April 4, to enjoy a great evening of Seahawk varsity baseball. The game against Wewahitchka gets underway at 6 p.m.

#### Bay Area Easter concert April 13

The Bay Area Choral Society, under the direction of Merel Young with pianist Karl Lester, will perform the Easter portion of Handel's Messiah on at 4 p.m. April 13 at Trinity Episcopal Church. The concert is part of the annual Ilse Newell concert series presented by the Apalachicola Area Historical Society. The choral society will present the same concert at 4 p.m. April 12 at Port St. Joe's First United Methodist Church. For more information, call 653-8894.

#### Don't miss boat show April 19

Apalachicola will host the 16th annual Apalachicola Antique & Classic Boat Show on April 19. Antique boats, examples of classic and traditional vessels, workboats, and fiberglass and aluminum classics will be on display throughout the day. Special highlights include home-built boats by skilled craftsmen, authentic oyster boats and workboats, antique outboard engines, plus antique automobiles and artist booths.

The Apalachicola Maritime Museum will host tours aboard the Heritage, a 58-foot wooden Herreshoff-designed ketch, and have demonstrations of steam engines with their antique, steam-powered vessels.

Call 653-9419, email info@apalachicolabay.org, or visit www.antiqueboatshow.org for more information.

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**DEADLINES FOR NEXT WEEK:**  
School News & Society: 11 a.m. Friday  
Real Estate Ads: 11 a.m. Thursday  
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Classified Line Ads: 5 p.m. Monday



## County orders 2 percent budget cut

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On Tuesday morning, the county commission ordered department heads, constitutional officers and nongovernmental agencies to cut their budget requests for the upcoming fiscal year by 2 percent.

"In order for us to keep the

millage rate where it is, we can't allow any increases," Commissioner Pinki Jackel said during commissioner comments at the end of the meeting. "I suggest we ask for a 2 percent cut across the board.

"That's a starting point where we can go into the process feeling like we will come out of the process with a good result."

Jackel said she expected un-

predictable expenses including an increase in the cost of insurance. Chairman Cheryl Sanders said she agreed with Jackel.

"We're going to have to be very careful how we do the budget," Sanders said. "I believe in a balanced budget. We are going to have to live within our means. The rise in property taxes is hurting some people. When we've got (money), it's good.

When we don't, we have to make cuts. We've been on a downward incline since 2006."

Sanders said she agreed the recent economic downturn was almost over. "Blue skies are coming," Jackel said.

Allan Feifer, president of Concerned Citizens of Franklin County, distributed a copy of an email

See **BUDGET A10**

### WANDERING STAR QUILT SHOW



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Roberta Clay shows a crazy quilt created by her great-grandmother Rebecca Humes.

## History from the hands of women

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Historical quilts were the focus at this year's Wandering Star Quilt Show.

On Friday and Saturday, March 28-29, members of the Wandering Star Quilt Club shared precious family heirlooms with an admiring audience. Once again, members of the club staged a biennial show that was an affair to remember.

Memories were the focus of this year's display. Carefully stacked at the front of Chillias Hall were quilts created in the first half of the 20th century, and history was stitched into every one. About every half hour, members of the club donned plastic gloves to display the stacked quilts for fascinated onlookers. Each antique quilt had a card attached with a bit of family history.

The earliest creation was a crazy quilt belonging to Roberta Clay, pieced largely of silk between April 1901 and March 1904. The date is stitched into one corner. Decorating the quilt are a hand-embroidered rendering of the Lord's Prayer, an American flag circa 1901 with 46 stars and souvenir

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From top are a detail of a star quilt pieced by Evelyn Kline circa 1940 and quilted by granddaughter Donna Briesacker in 1990; a detail of "Grandmother's Flower Garden," created in the 1930s and belonging to Aline Craig; and an American flag with 46 stars circa 1901 on the Humes crazy quilt.



## GUSC to buy former bank compound

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Gulf Unmanned Systems Center is putting down roots in Franklin County.

GUSC CEO Bruce McCormack said he completed negotiations on March 24 with Deltona Corporation of Miami to purchase for \$760,000 the Gulf State Community Bank compound at 206 St. James Ave. (U.S. 98). The closing is scheduled for May 15, he said.

The property appraiser's office said Deltona paid \$400,000 for the 1.7-acre property at an FDIC auction on July 2, 2010, not long after the bank failed and its assets were acquired by Centennial Bank.

McCormack said the 10,000-square-foot former bank building would house offices for his staff and for visiting clients as well as a training facility. He said he purchased the property and three buildings furnished including computer consoles minus the hard drives. He plans to refurbish the computers for use by trainees and said a 4,000-square-foot training area likely will be located on the second floor of the main bank building.

See **BANK A10**

## Tim Davis named top volunteer

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A St. George Island man received a regional award Friday for his work delivering Meals on Wheels over the past 15 years.

On Friday, Tim Brown, 45, received a plaque from the Area Agency on Aging for North Florida, naming him the district-wide Volunteer of the Year for 2013.

Davis, who earlier was named the county's Volunteer of the Year, was chosen as regional volunteer from 10 county representatives. Franklin County Meals on Wheels Coordinator Donna Thompson nominated Davis for the honor.

In a letter to the awards committee, she wrote, "I have chosen Tim Davis for the Volunteer of the Year because he is an outstanding young man. Even though Tim has a disability, he never complains. Tim always has a smile on his face. He is very friendly, helpful and loveable."

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TIM DAVIS

# Armory restoration begins this month

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On March 4, county commissioners unanimously approved Phase 1, at an estimated cost of roughly \$700,000, of a plan to refurbish the Fort Coombs Armory as a convention center.



WARREN EMO

In April 2009, the county leased the Armory from the state for 50 years at a cost of \$300 per year. Although military operations in the building ceased more than a decade ago, the building has served as a venue for weddings, reunions, dances and more for decades. Based on a timeline presented by architect Warren Emo, the next phase of work will begin in October and construction should be completed by March 2015.

Under instructions from county commissioners given Feb. 18, Emo identified the most urgently needed repairs to the Armory as mitigating drainage problems undermining the building's foundation, treating active termite infestations; constructing new, updated bathrooms and installing heating and air conditioning equipment (HVAC).

"The configuration is the same. We're just scaling the work back and phasing it," Emo told commissioners after presenting them with updated drawings,

Cost of the proposed improvements, without the termite treatment, is estimated at \$659,244. Emo said the construction can be coordinated with scheduled activities and will not disrupt regular use of the building.

The termite treatment, to be performed by Florida Pest Control of Gainesville, will cost \$22,162. Florida Pest Control is donating chemicals for the treatment, totaling \$5,200.

With the termite treatment, the total cost of Phase One is es-



DAVID ADLERSTEIN | The Times

The Coombs Armory was leased from the state in 2009.

timated at \$681,406.

This is the second Phase 1 of repairs to the Armory orchestrated by Emo. The first Phase 1, completed in 2012 at a cost of roughly \$234,000, comprised installing a new storm drain in the alley behind the building, repairing the roof and rewiring.

County Planner Alan Pierce said Emo has received approximately \$59,000 in architect's fees, about \$10,000 for the work in 2012 and another \$49,000 for the plans that have been presented to the commission over the last year. He will receive an additional \$90,000 over time when he completes additional plans and supervises construction.

Treatment of the structure for both drywood and subterranean termites will precede the rest of the work. Pierce said he expects the treatment to take place in mid-April 2014.

Once the termite treatment

is complete, Emo plans to install area drains to stabilize the building's foundation. That work will take place around the end of 2014.

Bathrooms in the Armory are now located on the northern wall of the small meeting room to the west of the main auditorium. The updated restrooms will be located at the southwest corner of the building off a small corridor that runs past the current kitchen. The timeline shows the bathrooms completed early next year.

Installation of the HVAC system for the main auditorium is scheduled between Dec. 2014 and Jan. 2015. Ductwork will be installed in the attic and 40-ton HVAC units installed in the "shooting range" upstairs at the far west end of the main room. The area is enclosed to hide the machinery and reduce sound from the units. If there are suf-

## TERMITE TREATMENT SET FOR THIS WEEK

Florida Pest Control began to tent the Armory for termites on Wednesday. The company is deploying all their fumigation resources on this project and hopes to have the building completely tented in one day. The tent will remain up with the fumigation process going on Thursday, and then the tent will come down Friday morning.

The University of Florida vacated the building on Tuesday. Gas, electricity and phone service were suspended to avoid fire or explosion. It will be safe to re-enter the building on Friday afternoon, April 4. The high school prom is scheduled to take place this Saturday night, April 5, and will go on as scheduled.

JR Sapp, owner of Florida Pest Control, will be at the Armory on April 9 to inspect the work, and has invited all the county commissioners for a photo with him at 11 a.m. in front of the Armory. Florida Pest Control and BASF, which donated the chemicals to treat both drywood and subterranean termites, are generating quite a bit of publicity about the tenting of the Armory so there might be media coverage over the next week.

cient additional funds, an HVAC system will also be installed for the rest of the building at that time.

Pierce said he has asked Emo for an estimate of the cost of heating or cooling the Armory during events once the new system is installed. Pierce said the cost of leasing the building would increase after the HVAC system is installed.

Parks and Recreation Director Nikki Millender said the Armory currently rents for \$300 per event plus \$100 for insurance.

Specifically excluded from Phase 1 of the renovation are installation of a handicapped ramp and improvements to the entry hall; construction of a new warming kitchen; improvements to the acoustics in the main auditorium and exterior improvements and window replacement. Pierce said missing windows will be replaced but not with the proposed high-impact glass.

"I think this is a good investment of TDC (Tourist Development Council) money," said Chairman Cheryl Sanders.

On Feb. 18, TDC Adminis-

trator Curt Blair told commissioners that, with uncollected but expected revenue, the TDC could provide roughly \$500,000 for the Armory upgrade to be spent within the next eight or 10 months and about \$200,000 annually after that.

"That's not going to get it done. We don't have \$700,000. This puts us at \$1 million," Commissioner Pinki Jackel said. "Is anybody going to bring forward a business plan? We haven't got any direction."

Emo suggested his company could arrange for a business evaluation of the Armory. "I thought the TDC was going to do that," Sanders said. "I'm not so worried about business plans. Right now, the most important thing is to get termites out of there and fix the drainage. We need to start saving what structure we have in the building now. This is action that was started two years ago when we decided to put excess TDC funds into the building."

Commissioner Smokey Parrish said, "I think it's a good plan we need to move forward with it."

## NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF CITY ORDINANCES

The City Commission of the City of Apalachicola will hold public hearings for the purpose of receiving citizen's comments on the following proposed ordinances:

### ORDINANCE NO. 2014-01

AN ORDINANCE BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF APALACHICOLA AMENDING THOSE PROVISIONS OF ORDINANCE NUMBER 2008-04 PERTAINING TO THE APPOINTMENT OF BOARD MEMBERS OF THE APALACHICOLA COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY; REPLACING THE EXISTING SEVEN MEMBER WITH AN EIGHT MEMBER BOARD; ESTABLISHING STAGGERED TERMS TO SERVE TWO-YEAR AND FOUR-YEAR TERMS; DESIGNATING BOARD MEMBER SLOTS TO BE FILLED; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

### ORDINANCE NO. 2014-02

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF APALACHICOLA, FLORIDA, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2009-05 (AS AMENDED BY ORDINANCE NO. 2010-01) IN PART WITH REFERENCE TO SECTION 5. HOURS OF OPERATION AND SECTION 3. REGARDING THE EQUIPMENT ON SAID GOLF CART TO PERMIT IN ACCORDANCE WITH FLORIDA STATUTES SECTION 316.212 PROPERLY EQUIPPED GOLF CARTS TO OPERATE ON THE DESIGNATED STREETS WITHIN THE ORDINANCE DURING THE HOURS BETWEEN SUNSET AND SUNRISE; PROVIDING FOR THE CONTINUED VALIDITY AND ENFORCEMENT OF ALL OTHER PROVISIONS OF ORDINANCE NO. 2009-05 AS AMENDED AND PROVIDING THAT TO THE EXTENT OF CONFLICT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL SUPERSEDE AND TAKE PRIORITY OVER CONFLICTING PROVISIONS OF OTHER ORDINANCES; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

The public hearings will be held in the Apalachicola Community Center, #1 Bay Avenue, Apalachicola, Florida starting at 6:00 PM on Tuesday, April 8, 2014. All interested parties are encouraged to appear and be heard with respect to these proposed ordinances.

Apalachicola Area Historical Society Presents  
*Ilse Newell*  
**CONCERT SERIES**  
Bay Area Choral Society presents  
**Easter Messiah**  
April 13, 2014  
Trinity Episcopal Church . Apalachicola 4 PM

APALACHICOLA  
ANTIQUE & CLASSIC  
**BOAT SHOW**  
April 19, 2014  
Antique Boat Displays, Boat Building Demonstrations, Tours  
[www.anticqueboatshow.org](http://www.anticqueboatshow.org)

THE PANHANDLE PLAYERS PRESENT  
April 25-27 - Apalachicola  
Performances at the Historic Dixie Theatre  
On  
**Golden Pond**

2014  
**PIRATES OF THE CARRABELLEAN**  
24th Annual Carrabelle, FL Riverfront Festival  
Friday, April 25th - 4PM-8PM and Saturday, April 26th - 9AM-5PM

# Eastpoint woman dies in Gulf County crash

Special to the Times

An Eastpoint woman was killed, and a Port St. Joe couple critically injured, Friday afternoon in a two-car head-on collision in Gulf County.

Jeanetta Star Hawkins, 42, of Eastpoint, died at the scene of the 12:25 p.m. crash,

on U.S. 98 just east of Good Morning Road. She was driving westbound in a 2011 Ford Transit van when a 2010 Chevrolet Tahoe, driven east by Richard McDonald, 72, of Port St. Joe, crossed into the westbound lane and collided with the front left of Hawkins' vehicle.

He and his wife, Mary

McDonald, 67, were rushed to Bay Medical Center in critical condition. Hawkins was transported to the District 14 medical examiner's office in Panama City.

The Florida Highway Patrol report, completed by Trooper N.D. Guifarro, indicated only Mary McDonald was wearing a seatbelt.

## ARREST REPORT

The following report is provided by the Franklin County Sheriff's Office. Arrests listed were made by officers from the Apalachicola Police Department, Carrabelle Police Department and the Franklin County Sheriff's Office. All defendants are to be considered innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

### MARCH 25

**Terrance I. Walker**, 46, Apalachicola, withholding child support (FCSO)  
**Talmadge D. Turner**, 38, withholding child support (FCSO)  
**Jimmy Talley Jr.**, 46, Lanark Village, failure to appear (FCSO)

### MARCH 26

**Alvin G. Martina Jr.**, 30, Apalachicola, failure to obey lawful command, domestic battery and resisting officer with violence (FCSO)

### MARCH 29

**Vedell M. Bunyon**, 41, Apalachicola, violation of probation (APD)

### MARCH 30

**Christopher E. Foster**, 23, Carrabelle, DUI with property damage (CPD)  
**George R. Needer**, 55, Eastpoint, domestic battery and Liberty County warrant for failure to appear (FCSO)

### MARCH 31

**Devin R. Clements**, 39, Alford, violation of probation (FCSO)  
**Antriniquia A. Richards**, 27, Apalachicola, domestic battery (APD)



SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

# New oyster harvesting license requirement added

Special to The Times

A new requirement has been mandated for attaining an Apalachicola Bay Oyster Harvesting License. Before a license can be issued, an authorized educational training program must be completed.

This training is now available at the Shellfish Center, 260 Dr. Frederick S. Humphries Street in Apalachicola. The training will be held three days a week, Tuesday through Thursday at 3 p.m. Upon completion of the training, a proof of training will be issued. This proof must be submitted, along with your check or money order, in order to receive your oyster harvesting license. No license will be issued without this certificate.

The Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services will begin selling the Apalachicola Bay Oyster Harvesting License on Monday, May 19, 2014. You must

purchase this license in order to harvest oysters from the Apalachicola Bay system beginning July 1. Cost of the license remains at \$100. Please bring a check or money order for this amount made payable to the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services. As a public service we are also selling the Saltwater Products License in conjunction with the Apalachicola Bay oyster harvesting license. You will receive your SPL upon purchase of your oyster harvesting license.

If you renew your 2014 license after Monday, June 30, you will have to pay an additional \$500 late fee. Please come to the Shellfish Center Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., from May 19 through June 30 to renew your license. If you have any questions regarding the purchase of your license you may call the Shellfish Center, Monday through Friday, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at 653-8317.

## NOTICE TO RECEIVE SEALED BIDS

Franklin County is seeking proposals from qualified General and/or Mechanical Contractors to replace a Trane Roof Top Unit that serves the Franklin County Courthouse Building located at 34 Forbes Street in Apalachicola, Florida. Proposals shall include all costs for labor, equipment, materials, warranties and sub-contractors necessary for the replacement of the required equipment. The new rooftop unit must be re-integrated with the building controls and set up to operate with the existing schedules. The proposing contractor is responsible for ordering all options and accessories with the unit to provide a completely operational system.

The system must be a Trane 15-ton Model No. WSH180E3 or an approved equivalent system. If an equivalent system is proposed the contractor must provide rating data for the proposed system and specify any accessories that would be necessary to make the system work, such as controls, economizers and roof curbs. The project is located in a harsh environment adjacent to saltwater. The unit must be provided with copper coils and fins with an epoxy coating applied to the entire coil assembly to protect from corrosion and provide a 5-year manufacturer's warranty on materials and workmanship for the condensing unit, as well as, factory start up and one year parts and labor warranties from the contractor. The proposing contractor is responsible for the removal and disposal of the unit to be replaced. Disposal of the existing unit and refrigerant shall be compliant with all EPA and local codes, rules, and ordinances. Bids should be in a sealed envelope and be clearly marked "Franklin Courthouse HVAC Replacement". Bids will be received until 4:30 p.m. (EST), on Monday, May 5, 2014, 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 Tuesday, May 6, 2014, at the regularly scheduled County Commission meeting which begins at 9:00 a.m. at 34 Forbes Street, Apalachicola, Florida. Proposals received after the designated time will not be considered.

The Contract, if awarded, will be on a lump sum basis. A Surety Bond for the full amount of the Contract Price covering faithful performance of the Contract and the payment of all obligations arising there under will be required. Two (2) full sets of Contract Documents including the Bid Instructions and Bid Form shall be obtained by each General and/or Mechanical Contractor bidding on the project by picking up the documents at the office of EMO/ARCHITECTS, INC., 1126 Thomasville Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32303-6272, telephone number 850-222-8000, fax number 850-222-8007 upon receipt of a non-refundable payment of \$50.00. Checks shall be made payable to EMO/ARCHITECTS, INC.

Additional sets may be purchased by the General and/or Mechanical Contractor from The Blueprint Shop Inc., 1130 Thomasville Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32303, Telephone No. 850-224-2699. A Mandatory On-Site Pre-Bid Conference shall be held on Friday, April 11, 2014 at 2 p.m. at the Franklin County Courthouse Building located at 34 Forbes Street in Apalachicola, Florida, 32320. Proposals must be accompanied by a Bid Bond (certified checks are not acceptable) made payable to Franklin County in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the Bid Amount (Base Bid and Alternate Bid Amounts). No bid may be withdrawn for a period of sixty (60) days after the scheduled closing time for the receipt of bids. 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. Any questions should be directed to EMO/ARCHITECTS, INC. at 850-222-8000.

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## ATTENTION CURRENT AND FORMER WATERFRONT PROPERTY OWNERS: Did you receive your BP Settlement?

If you owned waterfront property along the Gulf Coast between April 20, and December 31, 2010, you may be eligible for thousands of dollars in compensation through the BP settlement fund (as long as you have not already signed a release with BP), simply for owning your waterfront property during that time, and regardless of whether you had vacation rentals or not.

If you sold waterfront property along the Gulf Coast between April 20, and December 31, 2010, you may be eligible for tens of thousands of dollars in compensation through the BP settlement fund (as long as you have not already signed a release with BP). If you entered into a sales agreement to sell your waterfront property after April 20, 2010, and closed prior to December 31, 2010, you may be automatically entitled to compensation regardless of whether you can prove loss of value to your waterfront property or not.

Our process for this type of claim is simple, and we do everything for you. Our 15% fee is due only if we collect from BP, and you will not be liable for any costs or expenses in addition to the fee. If we fail to collect from BP, you will not owe us any costs, expenses or fees.

Call us or **email us** now with your waterfront physical address and we will check your waterfront property's eligibility on our interactive map for potential loss of use and or sales loss compensation.

Please note that the deadline to file BP claims is

**April 22, 2014,**

or 180 days from your first payment under the DWH Settlement, or decertification of the settlement class, whichever event occurs first.

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## County jobless rate drops a tad

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Franklin County's unemployment rate took a tiny jump in the right direction in February.

According to preliminary numbers released Friday by the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity, the county's jobless rate for February stood at 6.0 percent, a drop of one-tenth of 1 percent, from 6.1 percent in January.

The unemployment rolls added two people in February, growing from 312 to 314 people in search of work. This decrease in joblessness occurred because the workforce grew by 95 people, from 5,099 to 5,194. The current work force has 143 more workers than one year ago, when it comprised 5,051 workers and the jobless rate was higher, at 6.7 percent.

The February jobless picture tied the county with Sarasota County, for 24th best among Florida's 67 counties. Franklin was worse for unemployment than Sarasota, Orange, Santa Rosa, Liberty, Jefferson, Calhoun, Clay, Wakulla, Union, Collier,

Baker, Seminole, Nassau, Holmes, Leon, Sumter, Broward, Jackson, Bradford, St. Johns, Alachua, Okaloosa, Walton and Monroe, the state's best at 3.8 percent.

The unemployment rate in the CareerSource Gulf Coast region — Bay, Franklin, and Gulf counties — was 6.4 percent in February, 1.6 percentage points lower than the year ago rate of 8.0 percent, while 0.1 percentage point above the current state rate of 6.3 percent.

Gulf County had a jobless rate of 6.5 percent, and Bay County 6.4 percent. Out of a labor force of 100,877, there were 6,436 unemployed residents in the Gulf Coast region.

"Given the seasonality of the regional market, we anticipated a lower unemployment rate regionally," said Kim Bodine, executive director of CareerSource Gulf Coast. "Generally, this time of year brings increased opportunities in tourism and hospitality. It is good to see all three of the counties we serve with lower numbers than last month — but there is much work left to do."

## Keep an eye on your credit file

By LYNDA SPENCE  
Special to the Times

There's no better time than now to educate yourself about your credit file. Have a look! The great news is, it won't cost you a dime.

• **Check your report:** Each of the nationwide consumer reporting agencies (Equifax, Experian and TransUnion) is required to provide you with one free copy of your credit report once every 12 months upon your request. The three Consumer Reporting Agencies share a central website, AnnualCreditReport.com, where you can order your report electronically. Alternatively, you can print out the Annual Credit Report Request Form found on the website and mail it to Annual Credit Report Request Service, P.O. Box 105281, Atlanta, GA 30348-5281. You can also order reports by phone at 1-877-322-8228.

If, for whatever reason, your credit file is not active, you might be unable to retrieve your report electronically. Don't let this

discourage you. Follow through and order it by mail.

Every consumer should regularly examine his or her credit report. Check each line for accuracy. One misspelled word or transposed number can result in headaches down the road.

• **Verify your personal information:** Name; Social Security number; addresses; and employment information

• **Verify the lender's information:** Do the balances make sense? Does the listed past high balance makes sense? Is the payment history accurate? Is the account yours, or are you listed on it?

If any of these items are inaccurate, contact the creditor. You can do this from their website.

• **Monitor every four months:** Because there are three different reporting agencies, rotate your requests to receive a new report every four months. For example, start by ordering a free credit report from TransUnion. Four months and one day later, order a report from Experian.

Four months and one day after that, order your report from Equifax. By this time, a calendar year will have passed, making you eligible to receive a new free credit report from Trans Union, and so on.

Make necessary corrections on each one as you go. Note that there will be a fee if you order more than one report per year from a single agency, and that there is a charge to obtain your FICO score.

By federal law, you're also entitled to one free report a year if you're unemployed and plan to look for a job within 60 days; if you are on welfare; or if your report is inaccurate because of fraud, including identity theft. You're also entitled to a free report if a company takes "adverse action" against you because of your credit score, such as denying your application for credit, insurance or employment. If this happens to you, ask for your report within 60 days of receiving notice of the action. The notice will give you the name, address and phone number of the consumer reporting agency

that issued the credit report.

• **Credit score:** If you are curious about your actual three-digit FICO score, you will have to pay. To learn more about credit scores, refer to "You and Your Credit: Credit Scores," from UF-EDIS at edis.ifas.ufl.edu. And check out the entire "You and Your Credit" series, also available in Spanish.

The University of Florida IFAS Extension offices can help provide tips and resources. Find our more by visiting solutionsforyourlife.ufl.edu.

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## Until my last wind

By WILL COLLINS  
Special to the Times

Rocking myself to peace,  
trying to keep my mind at ease,  
Thoughts fill my mind's  
eyes with seas and images of  
the ocean become a sweet  
escape for me. Drifting off like  
the clouds over the waves, I  
brush my hair with every  
inch of the brightest  
parts of  
my palm, slowly transitioning  
down to the edge of my  
bottom lip, I'm  
anxious. For I  
do not know what tomorrow  
has waiting for me  
over the  
horizon but I know that  
God



### The Poet's Voice

has my back. And whatsoever  
the next few hours may  
bring... I'll pat my  
gloves... hop  
back on my toes... and  
go at  
it again. A wise man  
once told  
me just keep betting,  
and you're  
bound to win. So I'll  
just keep  
swinging... Until my  
last wind.  
I know I'll win.

*Will Collins is just a man.*

Special to The Times

Michael F. Jacobson, executive director of the Center for Science in the Public Interest (CSPI), issued a statement Monday headlined "Soda sales slump for ninth year, says Beverage Digest.

"If obesity rates in the United States have indeed plateaued or leveled off," it read, "the gradual decline in soda consumption deserves at least some of the credit. Americans are turning away from sugary drinks (and diet sodas) in ever increasing numbers, as Beverage Digest has documented. We're talking about nutritionally worthless products that provide nothing of value to the diet, but increase one's risk of weight gain, obesity, diabetes, heart disease, and other health problems.

"While progress has been made in schools, legislators and health officials should take additional steps to drive consumption even further downward, with more aggressive education campaigns, labels warning of obesity and diabetes,

limiting sugar content, taxation, and other policies."

The mission statement on its website, says that CSPI is "a consumer advocacy organization whose twin missions are to conduct innovative research and advocacy programs in health and nutrition, and to provide consumers with current, useful information about their health and well-being.

"In general, CSPI's three main goals are:

- To provide useful, objective information to the public and policymakers and to conduct research on food, alcohol, health, the environment, and other issues related to science and technology;
- To represent the citizen's interests before regulatory, judicial and legislative bodies on food, alcohol, health, the environment and other issues; and
- To ensure that science and technology are used for the public good and to encourage scientists to engage in public-interest activities."



## Letters to the EDITOR

### St. Vincent refuge threatened by declining budget

I am writing to everyone who loves St. Vincent Island National Wildlife Refuge as much as I do. The island's protection is at a critical juncture, so I am asking you to join me in speaking up for St. Vincent and all that lives there.

The problem: Because of the national budget sequester, our refuge is in danger of losing even its current, minimal staffing (only four positions for an 18,000-acre island). Since 2010, 90 permanent positions in the National Wildlife Refuge System in the Southeast were eliminated, and the regional budgets were reduced by nearly \$10 million. It is very likely that these budgets will continue to decline.

Our refuge does not have a high profile with the public, so one strategy the US Fish and Wildlife Service is considering is to relegate St. Vincent into what it euphemistically terms "custodial" status. This means it may not be open to the public and will most likely have only one or no staff assigned to it. There will be very minimal or no active management and no proactive work in general.

I feel sure that without the presence of staff and volunteers on the island, its land and waters will be encroached upon in a variety of ways, not simply left to its own benign intentions. We know this because even during the brief federal furlough last fall, alligators were killed and poached and duck blinds erected on refuge

property. Without a staff presence, sea turtles, and breeding and wintering shorebirds and seabirds, will also go unprotected. The endangered red wolf program may be no more in Florida. Tours and legal hunting will likely cease. Fire management will be curtailed or eliminated.

What you can do: We need to let USFWS administrators know that many of us care deeply about this island wilderness and the wildlife it protects. Your personal voice can make a difference in whether St. Vincent is stripped of its staff and management.

I ask you to write an urgent, brief letter/email to the US Fish and Wildlife Service telling them what the island means to you as a member of the public who visits or has visited the island. Be sure to state that you oppose any further cuts to staff or programs and that you are very concerned about future management and protection of the island. Can you do this (along with your taxes?!) before April 15?

Here are emails of people I believe may be part of this decision-making process. If you would rather call them, or write, I can help you find that contact info. Cindy.Dohner@fws.gov is regional director of the Southeast Region of the FWS; David.Viker@fws.gov is regional chief of the National Wildlife Refuge system. James.Burnett@fws.gov is at St. Marks, and oversees a complex of refuges, including St. Vincent

Thank you so much, on behalf of

the wild things that depend on our voices,

Susan Cerulean

### Legion apologizes for 'any embarrassment or disrespect'

The following is the formal letter of apology sent to Mrs. Mary Staff from The American Legion, Camp Gordon Johnston Post 82. (See March 27 Times, page A4 "Widow of WWII veteran embarrassed")

Dear Mrs. Staff:  
The American Legion, Camp Gordon Johnston Post 82 Executive Board and Post members extend our sincere apologies for any embarrassment or disrespect to you and your family concerning the unfortunate incident that occurred on Friday, March 7, at the Camp Gordon Johnston Days social event at Post 82.

The decision by one member to not allow you to attend the event does not reflect the opinion of the general membership. The matter is being addressed by the Executive Board and corrective actions will be taken to prevent this from recurring in the future. We hope you will accept our heartfelt apologies and not let this incident tarnish your view of Post 82 or The American Legion.

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# Auburn students give back on spring break

By WES LOCHER  
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capped ramps, stabilizing front porches, rescreening porches, interior painting and mold removal.

Materials are purchased by homeowners who need work completed or purchased by CCDF through grants, donations and church partnerships.

Over their four days students are assigned to a large job, where they work for the duration of their visit or a small job that requires them to bounce from project to project. Some also work with street ministry projects.

Even with all the manual labor, the students wrapped up their days by 3:30 p.m. and had plenty of time to enjoy the beaches. "The students have such a loyalty and dedication to do this," Burkett said. "They develop a bond with the community and stay in touch throughout the year."

To show its gratitude, Franklin's Promise treated the students to a lo country shrimp boil on March 11 at St. Patrick Catholic Church.

While the CCDF budgets to improve around 65 houses each year, the assistance of the students allows the group to work on closer to 85. In addition to helping the community, the economic effects can't be ignored.

The students stay in rentals on Cape San Blas and spend five days purchasing food and gas. According to Burkett, last year the students spent more than \$34,000 locally over the course of one week.

"They're not only giving their time, but there's revenue coming in here," she said. "It's a win-win for the city, the community and the students."

Sure signs of spring in Franklin and Gulf counties: sunshine, warm weather and student volunteers from Auburn University helping around the community.

Now in its seventh year, the joint effort by the Christian Community Development Fund and college students from First Baptist Church in Opelika, Ala., last month completed community improvement projects in Apalachicola, Port St. Joe and Mexico Beach.

Students spent their spring breaks helping with projects such as painting, gardening, construction and inside cleaning.

"The students allow a lot of projects to get done in a short period of time," said Diana Burkett, executive director of the CCDF.

More than 300 students made the trek to the Forgotten Coast, about two-thirds of them in Gulf County and the rest in Franklin.

Joe Taylor, director of Franklin's Promise Coalition, said 45 projects were completed in Franklin County, about half of them yard crews that removed debris and garbage from properties in Apalachicola.

He said students pressure washed several buildings in Apalachicola, including the community center at Battery Park, the Van Johnson municipal complex, Holy Family senior center, the Bay Community School and two private homes.

In addition, Taylor said, students worked on 18 construction sites, 16 in Apalachicola and two in East-point, handling such tasks as completely reroofing one home, installing handi-



WES LOCHER | The Star

For the last seven years members of First Baptist Church in Opelika, Ala., have worked on community improvement projects.



Students completed interior and exterior projects throughout Port St. Joe, Apalachicola and Mexico Beach.



## PUBLIC WORKSHOP

On April 9, 2014 at 5:00 pm EST the City of Carrabelle will be conducting a workshop for the purpose of reviewing and seeking public input and participation on the City's Land Management Plan regarding Lease No.: 4579. The proposed Management Plan involves the Lease of certain real property commonly referred to as Poston Bayou, McKissack Marsh and Carrabelle Beach. The Land Management Plan will contain suggestions, use restrictions, proposed projects, and other guidance associated with the maintenance and public use of the property covered by the Lease granted from the State. A draft copy of the land management plan will be available for public inspection at City Hall located at 1001 Gray Ave., Carrabelle, FL 32322 during regular business hours.

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

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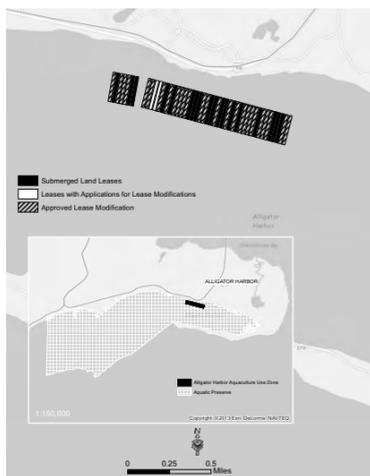
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### NOTICE OF AQUACULTURE LEASE MODIFICATION APPLICATIONS

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 253.70, Florida Statutes, that the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund has received an application from: 1. Karen L. Folks (No. 19-AQ-922); and 2. Addies D. Folks, Jr. (No. 19-AQ-923), both of P. O. Box F, Carrabelle, FL 32322.

The applicants are current leaseholders in the Alligator Harbor Aquaculture Use Zone, and are requesting approval of the modification of their leases by converting them from a bottom lease to a water column lease. If approved, floating cages and off-bottom rack systems will be installed in the water column for the cultivation of shellfish, in Township 7 South, Range 2 West, in Alligator Harbor, in the Alligator Harbor Aquatic Preserve, near the town of St. Teresa Beach, in Franklin County. Maps and diagrams identifying the locations and the limits of the proposed activities accompany this notice.

Anyone having any questions or comments regarding the proposed projects should file them in writing with the Division of Aquaculture, Magnolia Center, Suite 501, 1203 Governor's Square Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32301, on or before 5:00 p.m. on the 19th day of April, 2014.



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# Honesty is still the best policy



LANARK NEWS  
Jim Welsh

Let's hear it for the fine helpful folks at our IGA. One of our visitors had purchased a colorful necklace at one of the gift shops. She and a friend then went to do some shopping. When they had put the groceries in the car, she reached up and the necklace was gone. She went in and told the checker that she had lost the necklace and gave her a phone number. When the visitors got home, the checker called to say they had found the necklace. One of the guys collecting carts out on the lot found it. Thank you very much again.

Last Saturday turned out nice and sunny, after all. There was a good crowd at the quilt show. Didn't win the quilt again this year, but congratulations go to Kay Bowman. Also had one of those good hot dogs outside.

There was also a good crowd at the Spring Fling at the Carrabelle United Methodist Church. I talked to my first boss in Franklin County, Vivian Armistead, and she said things went very well. She was there to help out.

Your breakfast will be ready at Chillas Hall this Saturday, April 5. Members of the Lanark Village Golf Club will prepare and serve. Pancakes/French toast, bacon/sausage, eggs, grits, juice and coffee and still only \$5 donation. Can't beat that with a stick.

Saturday is also Tonya's Hope Day at Camp Gordon Johnston American Legion Post 82. Huge yard sale begins at 9 a.m. with a memorial service at noon. This will be followed by lunch with Thomas Lee Brannan's famous pig roast with all the fixings. Donation for lunch is \$10. See ya there! Proceeds from Tonya's Hope help people in Franklin County being treated for cancer.

Later on Saturday night, you can dance the night away at the Franklin County Senior Citizens Center in Carrabelle. Jim the DJ will provide the music. Bring a snack to share, your beverage of choice, your dancing shoes and your main squeeze. Dance starts at 7 p.m. Hokey Pokey!

Be kind to one another, check in on the sick and the housebound and remember our little prayer, God grant me patience and I want it right now!

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

# A picture perfect Franklin County adventure

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SOPHIA KOZLOWSKY | Special to the Times

Sophia pronounced this her favorite photograph taken during her visit to Franklin County.



LOIS SWOBODA | The Times

Sophia and Lane Autrey aboard the Lily.

Eighth grader Sophie Kozlowsky followed her passion to Franklin County last month.

Thirteen-year-old Kozlowsky attends the Bay Farm Montessori Academy in Duxbury, Massachusetts. This spring, her teachers sent her on a special assignment, along with the other 15 students in her blended seventh and eighth grade class.

The students were charged with spending a week pursuing a possible career path in which they were passionately interested. Kozlowsky said students explored a wide variety of professions including hairdresser, dog groomer, attorney, actor, working in a family-owned fuel supply business and interior design in New York City.

Sophia enjoyed photography and while visiting her aunt Elaine Kozlowsky in Eastpoint, she hit on the idea of returning to Apalachicola to apprentice with professional photographers Lane

Autrey and Richard Bickel.

She returned to Franklin County last week, armed with her family's Nikon camera, to complete her assignment.

On Monday and Tuesday, she worked with Autrey exploring Apalachicola's natural beauty. Their shoots included a trip up

the river on the Lily with Autrey's husband, charter captain Gill Autrey.

Sophia Kozlowsky said Autrey taught her a lot about the camera and details about taking good pictures with a lot of detail and variation in the lighting.

On Wednesday,

Kozlowsky visited with Bickel, an internationally recognized photographer who has documented the people and places of Franklin County since 1994.

"He taught me a lot about photography," said Kozlowsky. "He taught me about good picture composition. He taught me what makes a picture a good picture. He also told me about his travels and experiences."

"I have learned about two very different styles of photography working with Mrs. Autrey and Mr. Bickel. This has been a great experience and I have learned a lot," she said.

Now Kozlowsky will return home to write a three to four page report on her experiences following her passion.

# Lister celebrates anniversary with book release

Special to The Times

2014 will be a big year for author Michael Lister. It's his 20th Anniversary as a writer and will see the publication of three new novels — one each from his three main series characters: John Jordan, Jimmy "Soldier" Riley, and Merrick McKnight.

"Twenty years ago, in the summer of 1994, in an upstairs office, in a borrowed room with a beautiful balcony and a window air conditioner pumping coolness across my desk," Lister said, "I became a writer."

He goes on to say, "Of course, I had been writing for a while, starting and stopping, trying and failing, sad and bad attempts, beginning some five years prior. But it was the summer of 1994 that everything finally aligned, as I was completing my graduate degree in theology, and I traded time spent in academic for creative endeavors, that a writer was born."

This anniversary year follows a year in which Lister won his second Florida Book Award.

The Florida Book Review says, "Lister's ability to masterfully combine dark, vivid settings with tough yet fallible characters rivals that of Michael Koryta and Dennis Lehane," while Florida Weekly writes, "Michael Lister is a giant talent with a unique vision. His landmark John Jordan Mystery series is a treasure of contemporary literature

**Michael Lister**  
Multi award-winning author

"Michael Lister is a giant talent with a unique vision. His landmark John Jordan Mystery series is a treasure of contemporary literature – suspenseful, provocative and unsettling."  
Philip K. Jason, Florida Weekly

**Rivers to Blood**

a John Jordan Mystery  
Book 6

## BOOK SIGNING

Michael Lister will be signing his new John Jordan mystery, "Rivers to Blood," as well as his other books, at the No Name Cafe and Bookstore in Port St. Joe in 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. ET this Saturday, April 5.

– suspenseful, provocative and unsettling."

To celebrate Lister's first two decades as a writer, several special events, activities, and publications are planned.

First up is the publication of "Rivers to Blood," the sixth John Jordan mystery, following

2012's Florida Book Award-winning "Blood Sacrifice." This marks the return of Lister's primary protagonist, John Jordan, and the one that launched his career as a novelist with the publication of "Power in the Blood" in 1997.

PJ Parish said,

"Chaplain John Jordan is one of crime fiction's most original heroes, and his creator, Michael Lister is one of the genre's freshest new voices."

Then June will see the publication of "The Big Hello," the third Jimmy "Soldier" Riley 1940s noir novel, following 2013's "The Big Beyond." "The Big Hello" is the conclusion of the thrilling noir trilogy that began with 2011's "The Big Goodbye," and will let readers find out the fate of Soldier and Lauren.

"Michael Lister has the world of Florida Panhandle noir all to himself," said John Dufresne. "Tough, violent, and hard-boiled, this novel of obsession and suspense will remind you of Raymond Chandler, Graham Greene, and why you started reading crime novels in the first place."

And then in October the second Merrick McKnight novel, "A Certain Retribution," following 2010's "Thunder Beach" will be published.

Lister wrote these three novels over many years, but is happy to see them all released at part of this anniversary year celebration.

"It's going to make for a busy year," Lister said, "but I'm thrilled to see each one of my series characters make an appearance during this year that is so meaningful to me."

In the meantime producers and director Jason Hreno continue to work on the feature film adaptation of Lister's 2009 literary thriller, "Double Exposure."

## END OF AN ERA



DAVID ADLERSTEIN | the Times

At a noon luncheon Monday at the Battery Park community center, Apalachicola city officials honored retiring street employee Marvin Croom, left, for his 39 years of service to the city. Croom retired this year, after completing a career with the city that dates back to 1975. Apalachicola Mayor Van Johnson, right, presented Croom with a plaque for his years of dedicated service to the city. Croom's fellow city employees gave him a rod-and-reel, and a knife, to help him take full advantage of his retirement. City Administrator Betty Taylor Webb said current plans are to not immediately replace Croom, and instead consolidate existing staff positions.

# PET OF THE WEEK

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# Faith BRIEFS

## Tonya's Hope fundraiser Saturday in Lanark

The eighth annual Tonya's Hope Cancer Foundation fundraiser will be this Saturday, April 5, at the American Legion Post 82 Oak Street in Lanark Village.

The festivities start at 9 a.m. with a huge yard sale. At noon we will be serving Thomas Lee Brannan's famous Boston Butt dinners for a \$10 donation. We will also be selling the butts whole and you will also have the option of buying pints of sides to go with it."

Debi Jordan will provide the afternoon entertainment. Debi has been very generous with her time and talent

for Tonya's Hope. We appreciate her and all our volunteers very much!

We will be auctioning special items throughout the day and the raffle for \$500 first prize will be drawn at 6 p.m.

Tonya's Hope has helped more than 60 Franklin County residents over the last seven years with non-medical needs such as gas, rent, utilities, etc. To qualify for assistance you need to be a resident of Franklin County and in treatment for cancer. For an application call 850-625-0382.

We are a non-profit organization on our own and we would like to thank the Legion for providing us with the facilities to hold our fundraiser every year. We

also would like to thank the ladies for all the help with the yard sale; it is a lot of work to put this together."

## Jehovah Witnesses assemble Saturday in Panama City

The Apalachicola Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses will be attending a Special Assembly Day this Saturday, April 5 at the Marina Civic Center in Panama City. The theme of the Assembly is "God's Word Exerts Power," drawn from Hebrews 4:12.

Speakers at the assembly will bring out how the Bible has the power to transform us, bringing our thoughts and ways into harmony

with Gods will. They will show just how powerful Gods words is, and how we individually can fully utilize its power in our lives.

Those in attendance can listen to the answers for questions such as "why we can have confidence in God's word (Psalms 29-4); how we can avoid falling prey to the deceptive power of Satan's world? (I John 5:19); What is the key to changing our lives even if we have strongly entrenched bad habits and attitudes? (Eph. 4:23)

All can benefit from this fine program. All in the community are invited to attend. The program will start at 9:40 a.m. There is no admission charge and no collections are taken.



SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

# SportsAbility! for the disabled April 12

Special to The Times

If you or someone you know has any type of disability, they will love SportsAbility! People of all abilities will be experiencing sit waterskiing, horseback rides, archery, kayaking, sailing, pontoon boat rides, personal watercraft rides, swimming, music, food, and much more - all at no cost.

SportsAbility is being held in nearby Wakulla County at Ochlockonee River State Park on Saturday, April 12, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

People who attend SportsAbility have disabilities that ranging from autism to diabetes, amputees to brain injuries, no one is turned away. Activities that you might not have thought possible really are possible with the right equipment. For example, a ramp will make it possible for people who use wheelchairs to get on and off the horses. SportsAbility focuses on what people can do in an inclusive non-threatening environment where they can bring their family and friends. One of the big benefits of increased active leisure

is improved health and wellness that leads to a reduction in secondary health issues.

SportsAbility actually begins in Tallahassee on Thursday, April 10, at the Miracle Field in Messer Park from 6 to 8 p.m. with Miracle Sports baseball. On Friday, April 11 indoor activities and a Disability Resource Expo will be held at Tallahassee Community College Lifetime Sports Complex from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. All active leisure is free thanks to our sponsors.

At the banquet, people can enjoy laugh out loud comedians /motivational speakers, Julie and Derrick Tennant, and dinner, silent and live auction, and music. The Active Leisure for Life banquet will be at the Tallahassee Community College Center for Workforce Development on the evening of Friday, April 11. Advance tickets are \$30 per person/\$50 for two people.

People travel from all over the Southeast to participate at SportsAbility. For more information or to register to attend, go to [www.fdoa.org](http://www.fdoa.org) or call 201-2944.

## Obituaries

### Rev. Lawrence J. Register

The Rev. Lawrence J. Register went home to be with the Lord on Thursday, March 27, 2014 at his home in Eastpoint.

He was born Oct. 5, 1927, in Lynn Haven. He was a retired minister, maintenance worker, carpenter, construction worker, bus driver and oysterman. He was a man of many talents. He was well-loved and respected by his family and friends, quick to smile and joke with strangers and friends alike. He enjoyed fishing, trailblazing through Tate's Hell, eating oysters and all types of seafood. He loved gardening and yard work. He was always willing to help anyone in need.

Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon, March 29, at Apalachicola Pentecostal Holiness Church on Brownsville Road. Viewing for friends was from 3-4 p.m. There was no graveside service.



THE REV. LAWRENCE J. REGISTER

Grandsons served as honorary pallbearers.

He is survived by his wife of 24 years, Lottie T. Register; daughter, Cathy Carroll (Roy); son, Jimmy Register (Mary); six grandsons and six great-grandchildren; sister, Inez McCormick, Southport; brother, Charles Register, Galveston, Texas; sister, Hazel Golden, Houston, Texas; brother, Winfred Register, Eastpoint; sister, Mазzie Moore, Eastpoint; brother, Monroe Register, Apalachicola; brother, Carlos Register, Rockport, Texas; and lots of nieces and nephews.

He is predeceased by his wife of 38 years, Sarah Truman Register; brother, Earnest Register; and sisters, Deanna Hayes and Louise Montgomery.

Bevis Funeral Home, Harvey-Young Chapel of Crawfordville is assisting the family with arrangements.

### Mary Fordham



MARY FORDHAM

A "Celebration of Life" for Mary "Meme" Fordham is on Monday, April 7, at 2 p.m. at the Assembly of God in Carrabelle.

Mama was born on Feb. 9, 1931, and went home on March 28, 2014. She was preceded in death by our daddy, Roy Fordham, on May 27, 1995, and granddaughter Carissa Dawn Litton, on Sept. 23, 1981.

Mama and Daddy transplanted themselves from Atlanta to Carrabelle in 1971, and Carrabelle became our family home.

Meme is watching over her eight children, Mary Ann Toney (E.T.), Roy Fordham Jr. (Wendy), Doug Fordham (Nikki), Reba Brown (Thomas), Robert Fordham (Julie), Virginia Fordham,

Ruby Litton (Danny), Kristy Mauney (Randall), 17 grandchildren and 26 great-grandchildren, along with many beloved friends.

We would like everyone to come and celebrate her life with us. No suits, no ties, no problem! Come as you are!

### Joan Marie Kelly

Joan Marie Kelly went to be with her Lord and Savior on Sunday, March 30, 2014. Joan was a loving wife, mother, grandmother, sister and loyal friend.

Joan was born Jan. 13, 1936, in The Bronx, N.Y., to Mary and Jack Covais. She is predeceased by both parents and brother Mark Covais.

Born and raised in the Pelham Bay section of the Bronx, Joanie attended PS 71 and graduated from Christopher Columbus High School in 1954. Shortly after graduation, Joan met the man she'd spend the rest of her life with, Ronald G. Kelly. They married in 1957 and began their life together.

Joanie was a loving mother, raising five children. When her children began to attend school, she wanted to keep a close eye on them, so she went to work as a teacher's aide. There she followed her children's progress through grade and middle schools.

Joanie befriended all her children's teachers in order to know exactly how they were doing in school. Joanie was also a very successful Avon Lady, joining forces with her best friend Johnna for more than 25 years. They worked together, traveled to many sales

meetings, conventions and product demonstrations throughout the New York metropolitan area.

Joanie leaves behind husband Ron, of 57 years; sons Ron and wife Mary, of Port St Joe, Tom and wife Johnna of Beacon, N.Y., Christopher, of Fishkill, N.Y., and Steve and wife Suzy, of Port St Joe; daughter, Mariann and husband Will, also of Port St Joe; grandchildren Melissa Hytinen, of Versailles, Ky., Danica and Dana Kelly, and Aidan and Emma Brown, of Port St Joe; great-grandchild, Christian Hytinen, of Versailles, Ky.; beloved sisters Gloria Helms and husband Richard, of Uniondale, NY, and Carol Thomas and husband Bruce, of Ballston Lake, NY; sister-in-law Josephine Covais, of Westchester, NY; and many special nieces and nephews.

A Memorial Mass will be held at St. Joseph Catholic Church, Port St. Joe, on Saturday, April 5, at noon. Please no flowers. Donations in Joanie's name can be made to Covenant House Hospice, Panama City. A visitation is from 6-8 p.m. ET Friday, April 4, at Comforter Funeral Home.

Services are under the direction of Comforter Funeral Home.

### Jeanetta Star Hawkins

Jeanetta Star Hawkins, of Eastpoint, passed away on March 28, 2014 at the age of 42.

She was born on Nov. 9, 1971 in Tallahassee, to Frances Rae Hawkins, and Dorothy and Edward Hawkins. Star is survived by her fiancé, Justin Cassell and her daughter, Makkaya Dawn Langley. She leaves behind three other children, Brian, Trinity and Serenity Cassell; Tater Tot and Jaylah Langley; sister, Olivia Dawn Simmons; and all her nieces, nephews, family and friends.

Other survivors include her dad, Gary Millender; brothers,



JEANETTA STAR HAWKINS

Jim Phillips and Edward T. Hawkins; and sisters, MaryAnn Taylor, Betty Waters, Courtney Millender and Kristen Souders.

She was preceded in death by her mom, Frances Rae Hawkins; parents, Dorothy and Edward Hawkins; brother, Tommy Phillips, and her dear and loving son, Billy Ray Langley.

Funeral services are at 11 a.m. on Thursday, April 3, at Eastpoint Church of God with burial in Eastpoint Cemetery. Visitation took place Wednesday evening, April 2, at Kelley Funeral Home, 149 Avenue H, Apalachicola.

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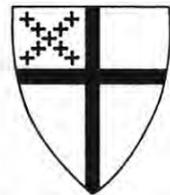
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## Franklin waters open to grouper recreational harvest

Special to The Times

State waters off the coast of Franklin, Wakulla, Jefferson and Taylor counties opened Tuesday to recreational harvest of gag grouper.

This regional season will remain open through June 30. The season also includes all waters of Apalachicola Bay and Indian Pass, including those in Gulf County, and all waters of the Steinhatchee River, including those in Dixie County. Gag grouper caught in state Gulf waters (from shore to 9 nautical miles out) off the four counties can be landed on the Gulf County side of Indian Pass and the Dixie County side of the Steinhatchee River, but may not be taken ashore in other areas that are closed to harvest. For example, a gag grouper caught April 1 in state waters off Jefferson County cannot be taken ashore in Levy County or parts of Dixie County outside of the Steinhatchee River.

In the remainder of

Gulf of Mexico state waters, fishermen will be able to keep gag grouper from July 1 through Dec. 3. State waters off Franklin, Wakulla, Jefferson and Taylor counties will not be open during the July-through-December season. Monroe County state waters follow Atlantic grouper rules.

The season in all federal waters of the Gulf of Mexico also opens July 1 and the closure will be announced by federal fishery managers at a later date.

The FWC is working with Florida's anglers to rebuild gag grouper populations in the Gulf of Mexico so they reach strong, sustainable levels.

In the Gulf, the gag grouper recreational harvest minimum size limit is 22 inches total length and the bag limit is two gag grouper per person. Recreational anglers targeting groupers in the Gulf may harvest no more than four grouper per day (within this four-fish limit, anglers may keep only two gag grouper).

## CLUB HOLDS FIRST SATURDAY PADDLE APRIL 5

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

The Forgotten Coast Paddle Club will host its First Saturday Paddle at 10 a.m. Saturday, April 5, at 10-Foot Hole in Apalachicola. Open to the public, and everyone is welcome. We will meet at 10-Foot Hole and paddle 30 minutes to stage a "mock kayak raft" in preparation for the Guinness World Record Attempt in May. Kayak and canoes will paddle from the 10-Foot Hole boat launch across the Apalachicola River through Crooked Channel out into East Bay and "raft up" for 30 seconds. The Forgotten Coast Paddle Club Florida is a not-for-profit corporation, with a mission to promote responsible paddle sports events and activities on the Forgotten Coast of Florida. The First Saturday Paddle is May, also open to the public, is at 10 a.m. Saturday, May 3, at Regatta Park on St. George Island. This will feature stand-up paddle board demos and yoga, with more details to come. The spring event, the Forgotten Coast Paddle Jam 2014, will be May 16, 17 and 18. The fall event will feature a Paddle Fishing Tournament.



## Peafowl: Colorful, glorious pheasants

Peafowl are large, colorful pheasants native to Africa and Asia. Although many people refer to



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peafowl of both sexes as peacocks, the term is applies only to the male birds. Females are peahens and chicks peachicks. A group of peafowl is known as a bevy or party.

Male peacocks are among the largest

flying birds.

There are two Asiatic and one African species of peafowl. The species commonly kept as a pet is the Indian peafowl or blue peafowl, native to India and Sri Lanka. The green peafowl is found in Java and Myanmar and the Congo peafowl in central Africa. Both are listed as endangered due to overhunting. It is believed there are fewer than 15,000 Congo peafowl remaining.

Like many ground-feeding birds, including chickens, males possess metatarsal spurs or "thorns" used primarily in fights over territory or mates.

Peafowl are prized for their iridescent feathers. Male Indian peacocks' tail feathers, or coverts, spread out in a distinctive train that is more than 60 percent of the male bird's total body length. Indian peacocks boast colorful "eye" markings of blue, gold, red and other hues. The large train is used in mating rituals and courtship displays. It can be arched into a magnificent fan that reaches across the bird's back and touches the ground on either side.



Females are believed to choose their mates according to the size, color, and quality of these feather trains. The male achieves his full color at age 3. During mating season, males may fight or become aggressive towards their own reflections.

The beautiful colors displayed by the peacock are due to reflection and light refraction, rather than pigmentation.

White peacocks are not albinos; they have a genetic mutation known as leucism, which causes the lack of pigments in the plumage. Albino animals and birds have a complete lack of color and red or pink eyes while white peafowl have blue eyes.

Peahens are colored tan, buff or off-white and lack the large tail. Their coloration is designed as camouflage during nesting. The females lay three to 25 eggs annually that are incubated for 28 days. Because they nest on the ground, chicks and brooding

females are particularly vulnerable to predators like raccoons, coyotes, dogs and cats.

Peafowl can live to be about 20 years old. They eat insects, plants and small animals. Domesticated birds should be fed cracked corn, wheat and game bird food, which can be supplemented with cat food, meal worms and dark greens like kale.

Peafowl can be testy and do not mix well with other domestic birds.

For those interested in learning more about peafowl there are numerous websites dealing with the subject including www.peafowl.com, the Peafowl Information Center. The center provides help with finding homes for unwanted birds and locating lost peacocks. Among the resources offered is a compact disc of recorded peafowl calls designed to lure straying birds back home. Peafowl eggs and supplies also are available at the site.

## WEEKLY ALMANAC

| Date         | High | Low | % Precip |
|--------------|------|-----|----------|
| Thu, Apr. 3  | 70°  | 64° | 20 %     |
| Fri, Apr. 4  | 68°  | 55° | 30 %     |
| Sat, Apr. 5  | 68°  | 56° | 0 %      |
| Sun, Apr. 6  | 69°  | 60° | 20 %     |
| Mon, Apr. 7  | 75°  | 54° | - %      |
| Tues, Apr. 8 | 75°  | 55° | - %      |
| Wed, Apr. 9  | 75°  | 55° | - %      |

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

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

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

### APALACHICOLA

| Date | Day | High Tide   | High Tide   | Low Tide    | Low Tide    |
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| 3    | Th  | 8:03am 1.3  | 6:03pm 1.5  | 11:3am -0.1 | 12:44pm 0.9 |
| 4    | Fr  | 9:00am 1.2  | 6:40pm 1.5  | 1:59am 0.0  | 1:19pm 1.0  |
| 5    | Sa  | 10:03am 1.2 | 7:23pm 1.5  | 2:52am 0.0  | 2:09pm 1.0  |
| 6    | Su  | 11:09am 1.2 | 8:17pm 1.4  | 3:53am 0.1  | 3:22pm 1.0  |
| 7    | Mo  | 12:09pm 1.2 | 9:27pm 1.3  | 5:01am 0.2  | 4:59pm 1.0  |
| 8    | Tu  | 12:59pm 1.3 | 10:55pm 1.2 | 6:07am 0.2  | 6:26pm 0.9  |
| 9    | We  | 1:37pm 1.3  |             | 7:05am 0.3  | 7:32pm 0.8  |
| 10   | Th  | 12:28am 1.2 | 2:09pm 1.3  | 7:56am 0.4  | 8:23pm 0.6  |
| 11   | Fr  | 1:49am 1.2  | 2:35pm 1.4  | 8:39am 0.4  | 9:07pm 0.4  |
| 12   | Sa  | 2:54am 1.3  | 2:58pm 1.4  | 9:16am 0.5  | 9:45pm 0.3  |

### CARRABELLE

| Date | Day | High Tide   | High Tide   | Low Tide    | Low Tide    |
|------|-----|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| 3    | Th  | 6:38am 2.1  | 4:38pm 2.4  | 10:31am 1.4 | 11:46pm 0.0 |
| 4    | Fr  | 7:35am 1.9  | 5:15pm 2.4  | 11:06am 1.6 |             |
| 5    | Sa  | 8:38am 1.9  | 5:58pm 2.4  | 12:39am 0.0 | 11:56am 1.6 |
| 6    | Su  | 9:44am 1.9  | 6:52pm 2.2  | 1:40am 0.2  | 1:09pm 1.6  |
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| 8    | Tu  | 11:34am 2.1 | 9:30pm 1.9  | 3:54am 0.3  | 4:13pm 1.4  |
| 9    | We  | 12:12pm 2.1 | 11:03pm 1.9 | 4:52am 0.5  | 5:19pm 1.3  |
| 10   | Th  | 12:44pm 2.1 |             | 5:43am 0.6  | 6:10pm 1.0  |
| 11   | Fr  | 12:24am 1.9 | 1:10pm 2.2  | 6:26am 0.6  | 6:54pm 0.6  |
| 12   | Sa  | 1:29am 2.1  | 1:33pm 2.2  | 7:03am 0.8  | 7:32pm 0.5  |

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## American oystercatcher needs habitat restoration

Special to The Times

Each year, the second-largest wintering U.S. population of American oystercatchers flocks to Florida's Big Bend region, with most of the birds gathering in Dixie, Levy and north Citrus counties along the Gulf of Mexico.

These shorebirds depend on the oyster reefs here for food and shelter critical to their winter survival. Recent declines in available oyster reef habitat created concerns about the future of the American oystercatcher, which has a small and declining population. This prompted Fish and Wildlife Research Institute researchers to find out which oyster reefs are most beneficial to the shorebirds, and what part of the reef they are using, to help managers determine how and where to focus restoration efforts.

In 2011, FWRI researchers and a partner at the University of Florida began



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the first phase of the study conducting field work from November to March when American oystercatchers are wintering in the Big Bend region. They observed the birds' habitat use and movement patterns, and documented food availability and what American oystercatchers ate. Researchers paid very close attention to the birds' habitat selection and recorded detailed descriptions of the oyster reefs, including distance from shore, elevation above the water and percentage of vegetation and oysters

present. They also noted how American oystercatchers use these oyster reefs during different environmental conditions, including height of tide, wind strength and wave action.

Researchers learned American oystercatchers use oyster reefs closer to shore as feeding grounds, while reefs further from the shoreline provide a place to roost, and avoid predators. Despite the decline of oyster reef availability, food resources are not an issue for American oystercatchers. These shorebirds are

primarily threatened by the lack of roost sites during high tide. Not only are these oyster-reef roost sites scarce during high tide, but erosion and sea level rise are further reducing their availability. Researchers concluded that preserving and improving these high-tide roost sites, and potentially constructing new roosting habitat, should help American oystercatchers survive the winter.

In the second phase of this study, researchers will collaborate with land managers, local oyster harvesters and scientists who study oysters to implement a restoration plan. They then will monitor how American oystercatchers respond to learn whether more and enhanced roosting habitat improves the shorebirds' winter survival. If so, this habitat restoration strategy can be applied at other locations to help the Big Bend wintering population of American oystercatchers begin to increase.

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From left, players celebrate a big win. Members of the Snipers, from left, Theresa "Jelly Bean" Butler, Abby Johnson, Kylah Ross and Kiani Allen smile between innings. Apalachicola Bandit Brandon Taranto swings away in Majors action. Christian Shelley, 6, holds up a tiny frog he caught at Day of Ball.

# Diamond sunshine

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"In Wichita Falls, O'Neil's Miami Giants were scheduled to play Texas' Black Spudders. After jumping off in a nearby rail yard, stepping into puddles of rain water, and beating a muddy path to the park, it became evident that there would be no ball games in Wichita Falls. The town was nearly flooded by a continuous rain storm. Stranded and stuck without transportation, team members resorted to "hustling pool rooms" to keep afloat. O'Neil called it "sheer survival" as he refused to return home broke and dejected. In a stroke of optimism, (Giants Manager Wayne Carr heard that a Denver merchant named Joe Alpert was looking for an African-American team to represent his clothing store in Denver's Post newspaper tournament. When Texas' Black Spudders, who were headed to Denver to perform in the Post tournament, offered transportation for some of O'Neil Miami Giants, "Carr," explained O'Neil, "got him (Mr. Alpert) on the telephone and (he) agreed to sponsor us - if we (all



AAA Seahawks coaches Eddie Moses, left and Caleb Kembro plot strategy. **At right**, Carrabelle Bruiser Chase Millender gets suited up to catch with the help of stepdad Shelton Trail, and mom Brooke Millender holding her niece Shelby Melvin. See more photos on our Facebook page, The Apalachicola Times.

of us) could get to Denver." O'Neil, continued. "The Spudders were kind enough to pack six of our older players and all our equipment in one of their cars. The rest of us hopped another freight train out of Wichita Falls for the twenty-four hour ride to Colorado."

From the book "John Buck O'Neil: The Rookie, the Man, the Legacy 1938" by Phil S. Dixon

The morning looked like the county's Day of Ball might be another Wichita Falls. The sky stayed dark, as

the sheets of rain curtained the sunrise, and puddles swelled like black eyes. Friday night's games, and the morning ones, were postponed three hours, until 11 a.m.

But, with the use of rakes, and the sowing of vitrified clay, Nikki Millender and her crew at county parks and recreation had absorbed the stubborn remnants of the bygone rain and made the fields at Kendrick Park ready for the rush of children eager to play ball.

"It started off pretty wet but we're all good now," said Connie Hunnings,



president of the Carrabelle Youth League. "We're getting all this in today."

Carrabelle has 85 kids on eight teams, down 10 or 11 from last year, but there was plenty of adult volunteer support Saturday, which hopes are will lead to a season-long commitment. "We're looking good. I can't complain," said Hunnings. "So far so good today."

Carrabelle is sporting eight teams, two T-ball clubs for kids age 5-6, and one each in the AA (boys 7-8), Ozon (boys 11-12), Darlings (girls 7-8), Angels (girls 9-10), Ponytails (girls 11-12) and Belles (girls 13-



## TRIBUTE TO A LEGEND

Visitors to Saturday's Day of Ball at Kendrick Field were greeted with a plaque of legendary baseball star John "Buck" O'Neil, born in Carrabelle on Nov. 13, 1911. A fixture in baseball from the 1930s until 2006, when he died at age 94, O'Neil was manager and first baseman for the Negro League's Kansas City Monarchs from 1938 to 1955, was hired by the Chicago Cubs in 1956, and in 1962 became the major league's first black coach. He played a major role in establishing the Negro League Baseball Museum in Kansas City and was posthumously awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom. "Give without remembering, and take without forgetting," reads an O'Neil quote at the bottom of the plaque. Seated at right is Brenda Benjamin, holding 1-year-old Gannon Poloronis.

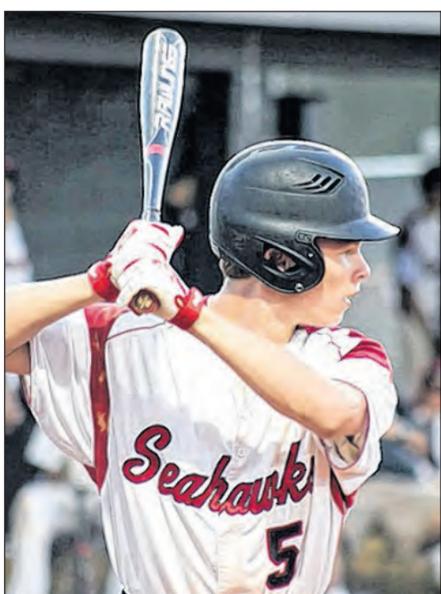
15). The only division they didn't field a team in is AAA (boys 9-10).

Kim Johnson, who oversees the Apalachicola league, said there are a dozen teams and 151 players, typical of a season, with lots of volunteer coaches.

"We're having a great turnout," she said.

Kevin Newell directs the Eastpoint portion of the Dixie Youth League, which features eight teams. Alan Millender is in charge of the entire countywide Dixie Youth League.

Senior Bobby Curry has been a workhorse on the mound for the Seahawks.



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## Seahawks avenge loss to Maclay

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The Seahawks varsity baseball team scored a big win for the program March 27, with a 5-3 victory at home over Maclay. Senior Logan McLeod went 2-for-3 with a double and three runs scored to help Franklin County avenge an earlier loss to its Tallahassee foe. Senior pitcher Bobby Curry struck out seven in the winning effort for the Seahawks, whose overall record is now 6-10.

"This was a big win for the program," said head coach Aaron York. "We used this

game as a measuring stick to see our progress up to this point in the year. They beat us earlier in the year by eight, and they came to our place and we beat them.

"We are going to continue to work to get better for the district tournament," he said. The district tournament is April 22, 23 and 25 at South Walton.

Sophomore Matt Murray was 2-for-3 with two runs scored in the Maclay victory. Freshman Corbin Rester was 2-for-4 at the plate.

After playing at Port St. Joe Tuesday, the Seahawks return home Friday to face Wewahitchka.

## Lady Seahawks split pair with Wewa

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The Lady Seahawks varsity softball team split a pair of games at Wewahitchka on Thursday, March 27.

In game one, freshman Megan Collins was the winning pitcher as the Lady Hawks won 4-1. Collins gave up four hits with three strikeouts while pitching a complete game.

Senior Morgan Mock went four-for-four at the plate, with a double and scored two runs. Junior Madison Newell was two-for-three with two RBIs, a stolen base, and one run scored. Senior Ally Millender, seventh grader Melanie Collins, and freshman Vanessa Simmons had one hit each.

"This was a good win for us because Wewa has beat some big schools this year and will probably be a playoff team," said head coach Scott Collins.

In the second game, Wewahitchka took a 7-1 lead in the second inning before prevailing 9-5. Sophomore Krista Martina was the losing pitcher, throwing two complete innings, giving up four hits, with five walks and two strikeouts. Senior Ashley Carroll hurled the last four innings, giving up two runs on one hit, with five walks and two strikeouts.

Freshman Scout Segree was the leading hitter for the Lady Seahawks, going two-for-four with a double, two RBIs and a run scored. Freshman Allie Kirvin and Mock each had a triple and Newell had another good offensive showing, going one-for-

### PLAYER OF THE WEEK

Lady Seahawk junior Madison Newell batted .600 and reached base five times in seven plate appearances last week for the varsity softball team. She also batted in two runs, and stole two bases. "Maddy is our centerfielder and has had a great defensive year while saving a bunch of runs," said head coach Scott Collins. "She has worked hard to improve her hitting and it's paying off."



two with two walks, one stolen base and one run scored.

"Krista was trying to overcome a wrist injury and tough it out, but it's hard to beat a good team when you're not 100 percent. Ashley came in and pitched well and our girls battled the whole game," said Collins.

The Lady Seahawks also accepted a forfeit from Robert F. Munroe and are now 16-6 on the season. The team played at Rickards in a double header on Tuesday.

In results compiled for the first 17 games of the season. Mock is leading the team with a .516 batting average, with 70 total plate appearances, the highest on the team. She's smacked the team's only homer, an inside the park affair, and leads the team with six triples and nine doubles.

Melanie Collins, with 45 plate

appearances, is batting .500, while Millender, with 65 plate appearances, is batting .472, with eight doubles, a dozen runs batted in and a team-high 14 stolen bases.

Segree, with 61 plate appearances, is batting .420, with seven doubles, a triple and 21 runs batted in. Junior Calli Westbrook, in just 40 plate appearances, is batting .389, followed by seventh grader Sophie Kirvin batting .333, Newell .320, Martina .279, freshman Allie Kirvin .239, and Carroll and Simmons each .200, in just 31 and 24 plate appearances, respectively.

Megan Collins has a record of 5-2 on the mound, with one save, with an earned run average of 2.17. Martina, who has pitched a team-leading 54 innings, has a 3-4 record, and a 3.89 ERA. Both are giving up about eight to nine hits per game.



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The future office and education complex for the Gulf Unmanned Systems Center will be housed in the former Gulf State Community Bank in Carrabelle.

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McCormack said he anticipates spending much his first year in operation training local staff. He said he is working with both Gulf Coast State College and Florida State University's Panama City campus on the curriculum.

The first floor and the 6,000-square-foot one-story building to the west of the main building will be used for conference rooms and office space. "I'm not sure what I'm going to do with the drive-through," McCormack joked. "I'm thinking about selling bait and beer."

McCormack said purchasing the bank complex would create a more user-friendly face for GUSC and save him the cost of building offices and classrooms into the 65,000-square-foot Hexaport building, which he has leased from the city of Carrabelle. It would also maximize the amount of space within the building that can be used for GUSC's main mission of testing unmanned robot drones.

He has arranged for Mediacom Communications to install fiber-optic cable within the two buildings to be used by GUSC, and connecting them.

In a Dec. 13 meeting, McCormack said GUSC intends to test only small robot drones, weighing less than 55 pounds. He said the testing would be unobtru-

sive. Most of the machines tested would be battery-powered and produce a hum similar to an electric lawnmower.

About 20 percent of the drones would be airborne, he said, and would fly at 400 feet or lower and be unlikely to interfere with regular air traffic. The majority of equipment tested would be surface or subsurface aquatic devices. McCormack said GUSC would provide opportunities for both indoor and outdoor testing of drones. He plans to construct a 40-by-15-foot test pool, 30 foot deep, within the Hexaport building.

McCormack said he spent two years doing due diligence on his plans for the proposed Carrabelle facility and is confident the project will be successful. He said GUSC would provide clients who come to Carrabelle to test drones with personnel and vehicles.

"Here all you have to do is come down and go to work. We will try to make that as easy as possible," he said. "We will provide the environmental impact statements and notify the sheriff and other necessary authorities of planned activity. Eventually, we want to be able to do repairs on site, too."

He said use of the facilities would be offered at a daily or yearly rate.

On Saturday, McCormack met with representatives of several firms curious about the proposed testing facility. Among these was Information Processing Systems of California. President Clarence Boice and members of his staff arrived in one of their multipurpose communications vehicles, which are designed to bring communication into disaster areas.

Boice said his party was in the midst of visiting possible clients on the East Coast.

McCormack said after a morning conference at GUSC's proposed new offices, he took the prospective clients to the Hexaport building, where future testing will take place.

McCormack said IPS works with the National Transportation Safety Board and hopes to locate a satellite office at GUSC. They hope to test safety-monitoring drones here using existing railroad tracks.

McCormack said he also has had inquiries from Baker Aviation of Miami, a firm that specializes in precision agriculture and designs aerial robots that can target a single tree or a row of crops for spot spraying.

He said he has fielded inquiries from a number of firms and that six are very strong candidates for use of the facility.

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originally posted to Sanders and emailed Sunday to the Concerned Citizens' membership.

In it, he called for a 2 percent across-the-board cut. He also suggested means of streamlining budget.

Feifer said requests for new capital items or additional funding should be itemized for commissioners. He said this would eliminate the possibility of one-time requests being included in subsequent budgets.

He proposed that requests to hire additional personnel should be presented in writing with justification for the new position.

Feifer asked that every department and constitutional officer submit to the commission a list of ways to cut their budget. He also asked that departments and constitucionals provide, in writing, an employee headcount, along with the average salary, and any change in that salary over the last three years.

"The inequities that have transpired within certain constitutional officers' employee raises have been a slap in the face to county departments," he wrote in his letter. "I am sure that by requesting this information, inequities will be revealed. Some individuals are seeing double-digit increases in their pay and then taking the across-the-board increases on top of that."

Lastly, he suggested departments and constitucionals be asked to account for any outside funding they have received.

Feifer said it was stressful to push im-



PINKI JACKEL



MARCIA JOHNSON



ALLAN FEIFER

portant decisions to the last minute during budget hearings. "As a late-night alumni of budget hearings, this year, I would love to see the process be more collegial and more thoughtful," he said.

Jackel moved to have Clerk of Courts Marcia Johnson send a letter to constitutional officers and department heads instructing them to include the 2 percent cut in their budget requests. After several unanswered requests for a second, Commissioner Smokey Parrish seconded Jackel's motion. The measure passed 4-1, with Commissioner Noah Lockley opposed.

"I can't support this because we are asking people for 2 percent not everyone agreed on," Lockley said.

"Does this mean I am to refuse it if a budget doesn't have the 2 percent cut?" Johnson asked.

"That's how I would do it," Sanders said.

She said nongovernmental agencies would also be subject to the cutback. Johnson said she would try to distribute the letter

this month.

Because of stagnant growth in the tax base, commissioners last year hiked millage increase of about 8 percent, as they are poised to raise it from the current 5.9637 to 6.4705 mills.

The proposed budget would raise about \$10.56 million in ad valorem property tax proceeds, an increase of a little more than \$717,000 than this year's \$9.84 million.



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This bowtie quilt was raffled off by the Wandering Star Quilt Club at this year's quilt show. **Below**, this quilt was stitched by Roberta Clay's Aunt Margarite H. Shelt as a young girl.

## HISTORY from page A1

ribbons from reunions including a Civil War reunion from 1888. Many of the quilting pieces are also lovingly embellished with embroidered borders or floral patterns. Clay said she remembers great-grandmother Rebecca Humes, who lived until Clay was 10 years old.

Clay also brought a red-and-white quilt with embroidered detail created by her aunt Marguerite Shelt between 1925 and 1930. Shelt and her sisters each stitched a quilt for their own bed as young girls, Clay said, the beautifully preserved red-and-white quilt on display the only survivor. The quilt features illustrations of nursery rhymes, days of the week, months of the year and animals.

On display from the same era was a "Dresden Plate" quilt created by Martha Jane Davis Williams circa 1920-1930.

Aline Craig brought two quilts from the 1930s: a "yo-yo" coverlet pieced of circles of smocked fabric saved from feed sacks, and "Grandmothers Flower Garden," an elaborate piece with scalloped edges that belonged to her grandmother. She also displayed a red-and-white pattered quilt in beautiful condition stitched circa 1940.

Pat Bott also brought a quilt created between 1935 and 1940 by her grandmother Annetta Feldman, who died just a few years after its completion in 1943. The bowtie quilt in wonderful condition was similar to the one raffled off by the quilt club at the show. Bott restored the quilt and had it re quilted.

Donna Briesacker brought a star quilt from the 1940s. It is a scrap quilt, which uses tiny pieces of cloth to create a complex pattern. Perhaps the careful use of fabric reflects the austerity of the war years.

From the 1950s, quilter Gene Sewell brought a twin-sized creation featuring roses. The quilt was stitched by her sister Billie Ricketson.

Adding her own flair for history to the event, Judy Cook brought two quilts that recreated former styles. "Emily's Quilt" is a reversible doll quilt with a rainbow pattern called "The Bars," which Cook



said is based on a quilt created by a young Amish girl. "They were allowed to sew these small quilts first, before they put their hands on the real thing," she said.

Cook also brought a quilt entitled "Bunny Bits" created from feed sacks.

Another modern quilt with a traditional theme was "Granny Collins' Birthday Quilt," a collection of quilt squares each adorned with a cloth heart bearing a greeting to Granny Collins on her 91st birthday. Granny Collins is Millard Collins' mother, Deanna Collins' mother-in-law and Richard Kelley's grandmother. The quilt was brought to the show by creator Marilyn Kelley.

Numerous modern quilts were also on display, arranged artfully by the creators or owners.

Wandering Star's Pat Bott said about 75 visitors came to the show.

She said the club earned more than \$1,000 on a bowtie quilt they prepared as a fundraiser. Money from the quilt will be used to buy materials for the next quilt to be raffled and to purchase materials for club projects. Currently, the Wandering Stars are preparing lap quilts for hospice.

The winner of this year's quilt was Kay Bowman of Carrabelle and Michigan.

Heirloom quilts are treasures that help us stitch together our family history and keep our ancestors alive to us. Many thanks to the Wandering Stars for sharing their memories with the public.



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Franklin County Meals on Wheels Coordinator Donna Thompson, left, stands with Tim Davis, holding his Volunteer of the Year award.

## VOLUNTEER from page A1

"Tim and his parents deliver Meals on Wheels once a week. They work as a team. Dad drives, mom does the paperwork and Tim does the footwork. The clients on the meal route always look forward to seeing Tim because he lights up their day with his friendly personality."

"Tim's mom and dad are retired. Tim has a disability and does not work. This gives him a chance to get out and help others. I would like Tim to be chosen for this award because I think he deserves to be recognized for his volunteer services."

On Friday, Thompson read the letter to a group of guests and presented Davis with a glass trophy commemorating the award. Tim's father, Bob Davis, said the family has volunteered for Meals on Wheels for 15 years.

He said Tim also volunteers for the food pantry in Apalachicola and is active in the Knights of Colum-

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**Donna Thompson**

Franklin County Meals on Wheels coordinator

bus at St. Patrick's Catholic Church. Tim is a Fourth Degree Knight, the highest honor awarded by the group.

After completing their weekly Meals on Wheels route, the Davis family celebrated Tim's Volunteer of the Year Award by joining seniors and volunteers for a fried chicken lunch at the Holy Family Senior Center. Thompson said anyone is free to come to the cen-

ter for lunch on weekdays, but Fridays are special because the staff prepares a homemade meal. She said the meal is made possible by donations and contributions of groceries from the food pantry.

The center is open for crafts and other activities from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday through Friday. For more information or to arrange to make a contribution, call 323-0168.

# News BRIEFS

## FROM STAFF REPORTS

### SEA OATS SEEDLINGS AVAILABLE

The Franklin County Soil and Water Conservation District will be receiving sea oats seedlings in a few weeks.

If you would like to purchase sea oats seedlings to plant on your property, contact Suncoast Realty, 224 Franklin Blvd., St. George Island, or call 927-2282. Seedlings now are available for can be picked up after April 2. The cost is \$1 per seedling and a minimum purchase is 100 seedlings. Share the cost with a neighbor or neighbors and preserve the dunes.

### DRUM CIRCLE SUNDAY AFTERNOON

Community drumming in Apalachicola will be from 3-4 p.m. Sunday, April 6, at The Water Street Gardens Shop at Commerce and Water Streets. This is a drumming workshop/circle with African djembes provided. Beginners welcome learning technique, drum exercises and rhythms played in the group, which is facilitated by Mershell Sherman, who has been leading drum circles for more than three years. Sharing the joy and fun of drumming! Cost for participation is \$15, paid at time of event. Drumming rain or shine. Drumming benefits mind, body and spirit.

### RAM AWARDED AIRPORT CONTRACT

On March 18, commissioners voted unanimously to award RAM Construction the contract, at a cost of \$82,479, to do improvements at the Apalachicola Regional Airport hangar now occupied by Randy Randolph. RAM was the only company to bid on the work. The grant funds to pay for this project expire on June 30.

### APALACHICOLA RUNWAYS UNSUITABLE FOR AIR FORCE

At a presentation on March 10, US Air Force Civil Engineer Dick Smith told the Airport Advisory Committee the runways at Cleve Randolph Field at the Apalachicola Regional Airport are not sufficiently thick to support increased use by the Air Force.

It had been assumed in Air Force documents that the concrete in the runways

was eight to 10 inches thick in all areas where planes would land or taxi.

With that assumption, the Air Force was considering designating the Apalachicola airport as a Forward Area Refueling Point (FARP) for various training exercises and missions. After the Air Force Civil Engineer Center did some 95 core samples around the airport, it was determined that the actual concrete thickness was between four and seven inches, considered not adequate to support the type of planes the Air Force was considering using so the airport will not be part of any expansion of FARP training missions.

The airport will continue to be used for training by special forces. The concrete will support all of the types of private aircraft that currently use the airport so there will be no restriction on private aircraft.

### COUNTY OKS SACRED HEART DEAL FOR INMATES

On Tuesday, county commissioners voted unanimously to approve a request by the Franklin County Sheriff's Office to sign agreement with Sacred Heart Hospital on the Gulf in Port St. Joe to provide reduced rates for medical services provided to inmates, if needed. According to the Sheriff's Office, all hospitals in the region - Weems Memorial, Tallahassee Memorial, and Bay Medical - have agreements with the sheriff's office to provide reduced rates in the event an inmate needs medical attention. Sheriff Mike Mock requested a similar agreement with Sacred Heart, indicating he does not know where an inmate will end up in an emergency.

### BP FINE MONEY A YEAR AWAY

At Tuesday's county meeting, Director of Administrative Services Alan Pierce told commissioners that it would be at least another year before there is any definitive estimate on how much BP is going to have to pay in fines associated with the April 2010 Deepwater Horizon oil spill.

"According to a news article," said Pierce, "the federal judge presiding over the case has agreed that the third and final part of the litigation will start on Jan. 20, 2015. It is unknown how long the third phase

will last, or when the judge would rule once the trial is complete."

### NEW COMMUNICATIONS BOX ON THE ISLAND

On Tuesday, county commissioners voted unanimously to allow Fairpoint Communications to install a communication box on the edge of the right of way at East Pine St. and 11th Street on St. George Island.

The box will be similar in size and shape to the one installed several years ago on Bluff Road just before the Bay City Road intersection.

### 911 APPLICATION SIGNED

On Tuesday Director of Administrative Services Alan Pierce told commissioners that Chairman Cheryl Sanders had signed an E-911 Grant application for some \$17,000 for FairPoint Communications to continue to maintain the 911 equipment at the request of the Sheriff's Office. The deadline for applying was April 1, so Sanders signed the application during the week ending March 29 so that it would arrive at the state on time.

### CONTINUUM OF CARE DUES PAID

At their Tuesday meeting, county commissioners voted unanimously to pay a \$300 membership fee to allow Franklin County to participate in the Big Bend Continuum of Care Committee. Commissioner Pinki Jackel, who represents the county

on the committee, said the group addresses the situation and problems of the homeless. She said she hoped the committee would conduct a survey in Franklin County to determine the situation of homeless people here.

### HELP FWC MONITOR HORSESHOE CRABS

A ritual dating back millions of years takes place again this spring on Florida beaches. Spring marks horseshoe crabs' mating season, and biologists with the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) want the public's help identifying spawning sites.

Beachgoers will likely have the best luck spotting mating horseshoe crabs around high tide, just before, during or after a new or full moon. The conditions around the full moon this Sunday, March 16, and the new moon on March 30 will create ideal opportunities to view the spawning behavior of horseshoe crabs.

Mating crabs "pair up," with the smaller male on top of the larger female. Other male crabs may also be present around the couple. Beachgoers lucky enough to spot horseshoe crabs are asked to note how many they see and whether the horseshoe crabs are mating. If possible, the observer should also count how many horseshoe crabs are mating adults and how many are juveniles (4 inches wide or smaller).

In addition, biologists ask observers to provide the date, time, location, habitat

type and environmental conditions - such as tides and moon phase - when a sighting occurs.

The FWC asks the public to report sightings through one of several options. Go to MyFWC.com/Contact and go to "Horseshoe Crab Nesting Activity" for the "Submit a Horseshoe Crab Survey" link, then select "Florida Horseshoe Crab Spawning Beach Survey." You can also report findings via email at horseshoe@MyFWC.com or by phone at 866-252-9326.

The survey program began in April 2002. Through 2013, the FWC has received 2,831 reports from across Florida.

Horseshoe crabs, often called "living fossils," are an important part of the marine ecosystem. Their eggs are a food source for animals. Birds, such as red knots, rely on horseshoe crab eggs to fuel their long migrations to nesting grounds.

Horseshoe crabs have also proved valuable to human medicine. Pharmaceutical companies use horseshoe crab blood to ensure intravenous drugs and vaccine injections are bacteria-free and sterile. Scientists are also using horseshoe crabs in cancer research.

### CHIP MEETING APRIL 16 IN CARRABELLE

The next Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) meeting will be on Wednesday, April 16 at 11 a.m. at Phoenix Family Health Care Center located at 1581 W. U.S. 98 in Carrabelle.

### DOWNLOAD GOPHER TORTOISE SMARTPHONE APP

The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) needs help documenting where gopher tortoises live. You can help by downloading and using the "Florida Gopher Tortoise" Smartphone application (app). With this app, you can record the location of gopher tortoises you see in your yard, neighborhood, or crossing the road. This information will help FWC biologists better understand where populations of gopher tortoises live. The app also contains gopher tortoise information and a fun quiz to test your knowledge, learn more about this protected native Florida species, and help protect and conserve gopher tortoises.

All photos submitted to FWC of gopher tortoises or gopher tortoise burrows will be posted to an interactive map. The map allows web visitors to zoom in and see where gopher tortoises occur in your neighborhood or community. The app user also has the option to provide observation notes when submitting a photo.

With your help, FWC will be able to better document where gopher tortoises are living within our Florida communities, and how we can work together to protect them.

The free app is available for both Android and iOS Smartphones at <http://myfwc.com/wildlifehabitats/managed/gopher-tortoise/florida-gopher-tortoise-app/>.

**FREE HEALTH FAIR: April 10**  
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*The Guild is a non-profit organization that supports new initiatives and services at the hospital. The Gulf's Guild has provided nearly \$20,000 in equipment to the hospital in the last 12 months. If you are not a member, you can join at the event for \$20. For more information, call (850) 229-5603.*  
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Yo, Ken Detzner, Secretario de Estado del Estado de la Florida, por el presente notifico que se llevarán a cabo ELECCIONES GENERALES en el Condado de FRANKLIN, Estado de la Florida, el día CUATRO de NOVIEMBRE de 2014 d. C., para determinar la ocupación o la retención de los siguientes cargos:

Representante ante el Congreso: distrito 2  
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Junta Escolar: distritos 2 y 4  
Comisionado del Condado: distritos 2 y 4  
Distrito de Conservación de Tierra y Agua de Franklin: grupos 1, 2, 3 y 4  
publicación: April 3, 17, 2014

**94432T**  
**NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION**

I, Ken Detzner, Secretary of State of the State of Florida, do hereby give notice that a GENERAL ELECTION will be held in FRANKLIN County, State of Florida, on the FOURTH day of NOVEMBER, 2014, A.D., to fill or retain the following offices:

Representative in Congress: District 2  
Florida Cabinet - Governor  
Florida Cabinet - Lieutenant Governor  
Florida Cabinet - Attorney General  
Florida Cabinet - Chief Financial Officer  
Florida Cabinet - Commissioner of Agriculture  
State Representative: District 7  
First District Court of Appeal: Retention of Six Judges  
Circuit Judge, Second Judicial Circuit: Groups 4, 6, 7, 8, 10, 13 and 16  
School Board: Districts 2 and 4  
County Commissioner: Districts 2 and 4  
Franklin Soil and Water Conservation District: Groups 1, 2, 3 and 4  
Pub: April 3, 17, 2014

**94514T**  
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 2ND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA

CIVIL DIVISION: CASE NO.: 19-2009-CA-000699-CAXXXX  
WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., Plaintiff,

vs.  
MATTHEW D. HERSEY, MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS INCORPORATED AS NOMINEE FOR 1ST PACIFIC MORTGAGE, INC.; KENDELL L. HERSEY, UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF MATTHEW D. HERSEY; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF KENDELL L. HERSEY; UNKNOWN TENANT(S); IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY, Defendants.

**RE-NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE**  
The administration of the estate of Alice Walker, deceased, File Number 2014-00013-CP, is pending in the

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order Resetting Foreclosure Sale dated the 10th day of February, 2014, and entered in Case No. 19-2009-CA-000699-CAXXXX, of the Circuit Court of the 2ND Judicial Circuit in and for Franklin County, Florida, wherein WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A. is the Plaintiff and MATTHEW D. HERSEY, MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS INCORPORATED AS NOMINEE FOR 1ST PACIFIC MORTGAGE, INC.; KENDELL L. HERSEY; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF MATTHEW D. HERSEY; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF KENDELL L. HERSEY; UNKNOWN TENANT(S); IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY are defendants. The Clerk of this Court shall sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the 2ND FLOOR LOBBY OF THE FRANKLIN COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 33 MARKET STREET, APALACHICOLA, FL 32320, 11:00 AM on the 9th day of April, 2014, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

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Dated this 20th day of March, 2014.

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**94558T**  
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA  
PROBATE DIVISION  
File Number: 2014-000013-CP

IN RE: ESTATE OF ALICE WALKER, Deceased.

**NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

The administration of the estate of Alice Walker, deceased, File Number 2014-00013-CP, is pending in the

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Circuit Court for Franklin County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is the Franklin County Courthouse, 33 Market Street, Suite 203, Apalachicola, Franklin County, Florida 32320. The estate is testate, and the date of the will is April 16, 2013. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's Attorney are set forth below. The fiduciary lawyer-client privilege in Section 90.5021, Florida Statutes applies with respect to the personal representative and any attorney employed by the personal representative. ALL INTERESTED PERSONS ARE NOTIFIED THAT:

Any interested person on whom a copy of this notice of administration is served must file with the Court in the manner provided in the Florida Probate Rules on or before the date that is 3 months after the date of service of a copy of the notice of administration on that person any objection that challenges the validity of the will, the qualifications of the personal representative, the venue, or jurisdiction of this Court.

Persons who may be entitled to exempt property under Section 732.402, Florida Statutes will be deemed to have waived their rights to claim that property as exempt property unless a petition for determination of exempt property is filed with the Court by such persons or on their behalf on or before the later of the date that is 4 months after the date of service of a copy of this notice of administration on such persons or the date that is 40 days after the date of termination of any proceeding involving the construction, admission to probate, or validity of the will or involving any other matter affecting any part of the exempt property.

An election to take an elective share must be filed with the Court on or before the earlier of the date that is 6 months after the date of service of a copy of the notice of administration on the surviving spouse, or an attorney in fact or a guardian of the property of the surviving spouse, or the date that is 2 years after the date of the decedent's death.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file claims against the estate with the Court during the time periods set forth in Section 733.702, Florida Statutes, or be forever barred.

**ALL CLAIMS, DEMANDS AND OBJECTIONS NOT SO FILED WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.**

The date of the first publication of this Notice is April 3, 2014.  
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Attorney for Personal Representative: J. GORDON SHULER of J. GORDON SHULER, PA.  
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FL Bar No. 0700959  
April 3, 10, 2014

**98237T**  
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA

CIVIL ACTION CASE NO.: 2012-CA-00148  
DIVISION: GENERAL

SFR VENTURE 2011-1 REO, LLC Plaintiff,

vs.  
MYDDELTON/ PARKER

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**NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE**

BUILDERS, L.L.C., et al. Defendant(s).  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Clerk of Court of FRANKLIN County, will on the 16th day of April, 2014, at 11:00 A.M., CST on the 2nd Floor Lobby which faces Highway 98 at the Courthouse, offer for sale and sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash, the following described property situated in FRANKLIN, Florida:

LOT 142 SUMMER-CAMP WEST PHASE 1 A & B, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED AT PLAT BOOK 9, PAGES 26 THROUGH 31 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA.

pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered in Case No. 2012-CA-00248 of the Circuit Court of the SECOND Judicial Circuit in and for FRANKLIN County, Florida, the style of which is indicated above.

WITNESS MY HAND and seal of this Court on March 10, 2014.

Marcia Johnson  
Clerk of Circuit Court

By: Terry E. Segree  
Deputy Clerk  
Mar. 27, Apr 3, 2014

**98259T**  
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA  
Case No.: 12-000291-CA

DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY as Trustee for WAMU Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2005-AR16, Plaintiff,

vs.  
SUZANNE J. HUNTER, et al., etc., Defendants.

**NOTICE OF SALE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Summary Judgment dated on or about February 10, 2014, entered in Civil Case No. 2012 CA 000291 in the Circuit Court of the Second Judicial Circuit, in and for Franklin County, Florida, wherein Deutsche Bank National Trust Company as Trustee for WAMU Pass-Through Certificates, Series-AR16 is Plaintiff and Suzanne J. Hunter and Michael Hunter are the Defendants. The Franklin County Clerk of the Court will sell to the highest bidder for cash, at the Second Floor Lobby of the Franklin County Courthouse, 33 Market Street, Apalachicola, Florida 32320, at 11:00 a.m. EST in accordance with §45.031, Florida Statutes, on the 7th day of May, 2014, the following described property, as set forth in said Final Judgment of Foreclosure, in Franklin County, Florida, commonly known as 1428 Dogwood Drive, St. George Island, FL 32328, and described more particularly as:

Lot 41, SEA PALM VILLAGE, a subdivision as per map or plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 4 as Page(s) 30 and 31 of the Public Records of Franklin County, Florida.

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

WITNESS MY HAND and the seal of this Court on February 25, 2014.

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 Susan Wilson, ADA Coordinator, 301 South Monroe Street, Tallahassee, FL 32301, 850.577.4430, as far in

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advance as possible, but preferably at least seven (7) days before your scheduled court appearance, or other court activity, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than seven days.

MARCIA JOHNSON  
CLERK OF COURT  
Franklin County, FL  
By: Terry E. Segree  
Deputy Clerk  
Mar. 27, Apr 3, 2014

**98267T**  
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA

CIVIL ACTION CASE NO.: 19-2011-CA-000052  
DIVISION:

JAMES B. NUTTER & COMPANY, Plaintiff,

vs.  
EDWIN DANIEL, et al, Defendant(s).

**NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Mortgage Foreclosure dated and entered in Case No. 19-2011-CA-000052 of the Circuit Court of the SECOND Judicial Circuit in and for FRANKLIN County, Florida wherein JAMES B. NUTTER & COMPANY is the Plaintiff and EDWIN DANIEL; THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS CLAIMING BY THROUGH, UNDER, OR AGAINST EDWIN DANIEL A/K/A EDWIN DANIEL C. DANIEL, DECEASED; LINDA DANIEL A/K/A LINDA POWERS DANIEL, AS AN HEIR OF THE ESTATE OF EDWIN DANIEL A/K/A EDWIN DANIEL C. DANIEL, DECEASED; 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, GRANTEES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ON BEHALF OF U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT; are the Defendants. The Clerk of the Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at 2nd FLOOR LOBBY OF THE FRANKLIN COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 33 MARKET STREET, APALACHICOLA, FLORIDA at 11:00AM, on the 9th day of April, 2014, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment:

LOT 5, AND 1/2 OF LOT 4, (30 BY 100 FEET), ADJOINING SAID LOT 5, IN BLOCK 143, OF THE CITY OF APALACHICOLA, FLORIDA. SAID PARCEL BEING 90 FEET BY 100 FEET

A/K/A 250 13th STREET, APALACHICOLA, FL 32320-1483  
Any person entitled to exempt property is required to file a petition for determination of exempt property with this Court WITHIN THE LATER OF FOUR MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

All persons on whom this notice is served who have objections that challenge the validity of the will, the qualifications of the personal representative, venue, or jurisdiction of this Court are required to file their objections with this Court WITHIN THE LATER OF THREE MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is served within three months after the date of the first publication of this notice must file their claims with this Court WITHIN THE LATER OF THREE MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

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 25, 2014.

Marcia M. Johnson  
Clerk of Circuit Court

By: Michele Maxwell  
Deputy Clerk

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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

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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.

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Mar 27, Apr 3, 2014

**98307T**  
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA

Case No.: 2014 00015-CP

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF GARY W. BARBER, Deceased.

**NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION**

The administration of the Estate of Gary W. Barber, deceased, File Number 2014-00015-CP, is pending in the Circuit Court for Franklin County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is the Franklin County Courthouse, 33 Market Street, Apalachicola, Franklin County, Florida 32320. The estate is testate and the will is dated August 31, 2010. The address of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below. ALL INTERESTED PERSONS ARE NOTIFIED THAT:

Together with all rights, easements, appurtenances, royalties, mineral rights, oil and gas rights, all water and riparian rights, ditches, and water stock and all existing and future improvements, structures, fixtures, and replacements that may now, or at any time in the future, be part of the real estate described above (all referred to as "Property").

pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure as to Count II entered in a case pending in said Court, the style of which is:

CENTENNIAL BANK, Plaintiff,

vs.

H O U N D S T O O T H HOLDINGS, LLC, RANDALL CHAMPION, VIRGINIA ROBERTSON, G.J. GRACE, LLC a/k/a G.J. GRACE, L.L.C., and LAKES ON THE BLUFF HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC. a/k/a OWNERS ASSOCIATION OF THE LAKES ON THE BLUFF, INC., Defendants,

and the docket number of which is: 2010-496-CA.

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

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

WITNESS my hand and the official seal of this Honorable Court this 19th day of March 2014.

MARCIA JOHNSON  
Clerk of Circuit Court  
Franklin County, FL

Terry E. Segree  
Deputy Clerk  
Mar 27, Apr 3, 2014

**98319T**  
**NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE BY CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT**

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, MARCIA JOHNSON, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Franklin County, Florida, will on May 8, 2014, at 11:00

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The date of the first publication of this Notice is March 27, 2014.

Personal Representative: Michael R. Barber  
433 River Road  
Carrabelle, FL 32328

Attorney for Personal Representative  
Thomas M. Shuler  
FL Bar No. 0947891  
The Law Office of Thomas M. Shuler, P.A.  
40-4th Street  
Apalachicola, FL 32320  
(850) 653-1757  
Mar 27, Apr 3, 2014

**98317T**  
**NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE BY CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT**

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, MARCIA JOHNSON, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Franklin County, Florida, will on May 8, 2014, at 11:00 a.m. Eastern Time, at the Second Floor Lobby of the Franklin County Courthouse, 33 Market Street, in the city of Apalachicola, Florida, offer for sale, and sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder, the following described real and personal property situated in Franklin County, Florida:

Lot 25, LAKES ON THE BLUFF, according to the Plat thereof recorded in the Public Records of Franklin County, Florida in Plat Book 8, Page(s) 33, 34 and 35.

Being more particularly described by field survey as follows: Commence at a 6 inch by 6 inch concrete monument marking the Northeast corner of the Southeast quarter of Section 36, Township 8 South, Range 7 West, Franklin County, Florida, and run West along the North boundary of the Southeast quarter of Section 36, Township 8 South, Range 7 West, Franklin County, Florida, a distance of 638.0 feet to a 5/8 inch re-rod (marked #4261) lying on the Westerly right-of-way boundary of Begonia Street thence run South 00 degrees 25 minutes 32 seconds East along said right-of-way boundary 204.89 feet to a 5/8 inch re-rod (marked #4261) marking the POINT OF BEGINNING; from said POINT OF BEGINNING continue South 00 degrees 25 minutes 32 seconds East along said right-of-way boundary 225.00 feet to a 4 inch by 4 inch concrete monument (marked #4889), thence leaving said right-of-way boundary run south 89 degrees 33 minutes 55 seconds West 461.88 feet to a 4 inch by 4 inch concrete monument (marked #4889) thence run north 00 degrees 25 minutes 32 seconds West 225.00 feet to a 5/8 inch re-rod (marked #4261) thence run North 89 degrees 33 minutes 55 seconds East 461.88 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING containing 2.39 acres, more or less.

WITNESS my hand and the official seal of this Honorable Court this 19th day of March 2014.

MARCIA JOHNSON  
Clerk of Circuit Court  
Franklin County, FL

Terry E. Segree  
Deputy Clerk  
Mar 27, Apr 3, 2014

**98347T**  
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA  
PROBATE DIVISION  
File No. 2014-00014-CP  
Division: PROBATE

IN RE: ESTATE OF JULIUS ALVIN GILREATH  
Deceased.

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

The administration of the estate of Julius Alvin Gilreath, deceased, whose date of death was May 27, 2013, is pending in the Circuit Court for Franklin County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 33 Market Street, Suite 203, Apalachicola, Florida 32320. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3

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a.m. Eastern Time, at the Second Floor Lobby of the Franklin County Courthouse, 33 Market Street, in the city of Apalachicola, Florida, offer for sale, and sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder, the following described real and personal property situated in Franklin County, Florida:

Commence at the Northeast corner of the Southwest quarter of Section 36, Township 8 South, Range 7 West, Franklin County, Florida and run West 638.0 feet along the North boundary of the Southeast quarter of Section 36 to a point on the west boundary of the 88 foot right of way of Begonia Street, thence South 200.0 feet along said street to the POINT OF BEGINNING, then continue South 225 feet along said Street to a point, thence West 462.0 feet to a point thence North 225 feet to a point thence East 462.0 feet to the point of beginning containing 2.386 acres, more or less, a part of the Southeast quarter of Section 36, Township 8 South, Range 7 West, Franklin County, Florida;

Being more particularly described by field survey as follows: Commence at a 6 inch by 6 inch concrete monument marking the Northeast corner of the Southeast quarter of Section 36, Township 8 South, Range 7 West, Franklin County, Florida, and run West along the North boundary of the Southeast quarter of Section 36, Township 8 South, Range 7 West, Franklin County, Florida, a distance of 638.0 feet to a 5/8 inch re-rod (marked #4261) lying on the Westerly right-of-way boundary of Begonia Street thence run South 00 degrees 25 minutes 32 seconds East along said right-of-way boundary 204.89 feet to a 5/8 inch re-rod (marked #4261) marking the POINT OF BEGINNING; from said POINT OF BEGINNING continue South 00 degrees 25 minutes 32 seconds East along said right-of-way boundary 225.00 feet to a 4 inch by 4 inch concrete monument (marked #4889), thence leaving said right-of-way boundary run south 89 degrees 33 minutes 55 seconds West 461.88 feet to a 4 inch by 4 inch concrete monument (marked #4889) thence run north 00 degrees 25 minutes 32 seconds West 225.00 feet to a 5/8 inch re-rod (marked #4261) thence run North 89 degrees 33 minutes 55 seconds East 461.88 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING containing 2.39 acres, more or less.

WITNESS my hand and the official seal of this Honorable Court this 19th day of March 2014.

MARCIA JOHNSON  
Clerk of Circuit Court  
Franklin County, FL

Terry E. Segree  
Deputy Clerk  
Mar 27, Apr 3, 2014

**98347T**  
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA  
PROBATE DIVISION  
File No. 2014-00014-CP  
Division: PROBATE

IN RE: ESTATE OF JULIUS ALVIN GILREATH  
Deceased.

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

The administration of the estate of Julius Alvin Gilreath, deceased, whose date of death was May 27, 2013, is pending in the Circuit Court for Franklin County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 33 Market Street, Suite 203, Apalachicola, Florida 32320. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3

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MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN SECTION 733.702 OF THE FLORIDA PROBATE CODE WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DEATH IS BARRED.

The date of first publication of this notice is April 3, 2014.

Personal Representative: Perry Russell Gilreath 8 Collins Creek Road Greenville, SC 29607

Attorneys for Personal Representative SANDERS AND DUNCAN, P.A. 80 MARKET STREET APALACHICOLA, FL 32320 (850) 653-8976 FL Bar No.: 442178 E-Mail Address: bsanders@fairpoint.net

April 3, 2014

98351T IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA Case No.: 2011-CA-000492

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., Plaintiff,

vs. DANIEL J. HENDRICKSON, et al., Defendants.

**NOTICE OF SALE**

Notice is hereby given pursuant to the Consent Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered by the court on January 22, 2014 in case no.: 2011-CA-000492 of the Circuit Court of the Second Judicial Circuit in and for Franklin County, Florida, in which Bank of America, N.A. is the plaintiff and Daniel J. Hendrickson, Maria L. Hendrickson, and Mariners Landing Homeowners Association Phase II, LLC are the defendants, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash by sale at the Franklin County Main Courthouse, 2nd Floor Lobby, 33 Market Street, Apalachicola, Florida 32320 at 11:00 a.m. on April 24, 2014, the following described property as set forth in the Consent Final Judgment of Foreclosure, to wit:

LOT 1, MARINERS LANDING, PHASE II, AS PER MAP OR PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 8, PAGE 19, PUBLIC RECORDS OF FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA.

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

Witness my hand and seal of this court on January 22, 2014.

Marcia Johnson Clerk of Circuit Court

By: Michele Maxwell Deputy Clerk F11033458

98355T IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION File Number: 2014-000019-CP

IN RE: ESTATE OF JANICE FAYE TARANTINO, Deceased.

**NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

The administration of the estate of Janice Faye Tarantino, deceased, File Number 2014-000019-CP, is pending in the Circuit Court for Franklin County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is the Franklin County Courthouse, 33 Market Street, Suite 203, Apalachicola, Franklin

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County, Florida 32320. The estate is testate, and the date of the will is July 16, 2013. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's Attorney are set forth below. The fiduciary lawyer-client privilege in Section 90.5021, Florida Statutes applies with respect to the personal representative and any attorney employed by the personal representative. ALL INTERESTED PERSONS ARE NOTIFIED THAT:

Any interested person on whom a copy of this notice of administration is served must file with the Court in the manner provided in the Florida Probate Rules on or before the date that is 3 months after the date of service of a copy of the notice of administration on that person any objection that challenges the validity of the will, the qualifications of the personal representative, the venue, or jurisdiction of this Court.

Persons who may be entitled to exempt property under Section 732.402, Florida Statutes will be deemed to have waived their rights to claim that property as exempt property unless a petition for determination of exempt property is filed with the Court by such persons or on their behalf on or before the later of the date that is 4 months after the date of service of a copy of this notice of administration on such persons or the date that is 40 days after the date of termination of any proceeding involving the construction, admission to probate, or validity of the will or involving any other matter affecting any part of the exempt property.

An election to take an elective share must be filed with the Court on or before the earlier of the date that is 6 months after the date of service of a copy of the notice of administration on the surviving spouse, or an attorney in fact or a guardian of the property of the surviving spouse, or the date that is 2 years after the date of the decedent's death.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file claims against the estate with the Court during the time periods set forth in Section 733.702, Florida Statutes, or be forever barred.

ALL CLAIMS, DEMANDS AND OBJECTIONS NOT SO FILED WILL BE FOREVER BARRED. The date of the first publication of this Notice is April 3, 2014.

Personal Representative: Kristen Faye Tarantino Coulter 430 Brownsville Road Apalachicola, FL 32320

Attorney for Personal Representative: J. GORDON SHULER of J. GORDON SHULER, PA. Post Office Drawer 850 Apalachicola, FL 32329 1-850-653-9226 Email: jgordon@shulerlawfl.com FL Bar No. 0700959 April 3, 10, 2014

98361T IN THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA Case No.: 2013-CA-337

CITIZENS STATE BANK, Plaintiff,

vs.

DOG ISLAND DREAMS, LLC, VERA P. KROEGER, and CHESTER G. KROEGER, Defendants.

**NOTICE OF SALE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated March 24, 2014, and entered in Civil Action No. 13-337 CA of the Circuit Court of the Second Judicial Circuit in and for Franklin County, Florida, where the parties were the Plaintiff, CITIZENS STATE BANK, and the Defendants, DOG ISLAND DREAMS, LLC, VERA P. KROEGER,

and CHESTER G. KROEGER, I will sell to the highest and best bidder, for cash, at 11:00 a.m. (Eastern Time) on the 15th day of May, 2014, at the front door foyer on the second floor of the Franklin County Courthouse, Apalachicola, Florida, the following-described real property as set forth in said Final Judgment of Foreclosure:

COMMENCE AT U. S. COAST & GEODETIC SURVEY TRIANGULATION STATION "DOG ISLAND WEST, 1909" WHICH IS LOCATED ON THE WESTERN END OF DOG ISLAND, FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA, AT 29 DEGREES 47 MINUTES 09 SECONDS NORTH 84 DEGREES 40 MINUTES 08.333 SECONDS WEST LONGITUDE AND EXTEND A LINE SOUTH 65 DEGREES 58 MINUTES 04 SECONDS EAST FOR 807.5 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 59 DEGREES 26 MINUTES 04 SECONDS EAST FOR 1599.9 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 69 DEGREES 09 MINUTES 04 SECONDS EAST FOR 860.75 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 86 DEGREES 06 MINUTES 24 SECONDS EAST FOR 1374.9 FEET; THENCE NORTH 49 DEGREES 42 MINUTES 36 SECONDS EAST FOR 271.8 FEET; THENCE NORTH 86 DEGREES 52 MINUTES 36 SECONDS EAST FOR 586.1 FEET; THENCE NORTH 77 DEGREES 10 MINUTES 36 SECONDS EAST FOR 162.8 FEET TO A CONCRETE MONUMENT ON THE MEAN HIGH WATER LINE OF THE GULF OF MEXICO; THENCE WESTERLY AND NORTHWESTERLY ALONG SAID MEAN HIGH WATER LINE AS FOLLOWS: SOUTH 74 DEGREES 06 MINUTES 36 SECONDS WEST 2441.40 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 78 DEGREES 43 MINUTES 36 SECONDS WEST 1771.15 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 87 DEGREES 49 MINUTES 36 SECONDS WEST 321.40 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; FROM SAID POINT OF BEGINNING, CONTINUE SOUTHWESTERLY ALONG SAID MEAN HIGH WATER LINE OF THE GULF OF MEXICO 147.39 FEET (SAID MEAN HIGH WATER LINE BEING LOCATED APPROXIMATELY AS FOLLOWS: SOUTH 87 DEGREES 49 MINUTES 36 SECONDS WEST 147.39 [FEET]); THENCE NORTH 22 DEGREES 52 MINUTES 40 SECONDS EAST 1819.51 FEET TO THE MEAN HIGH WATER LINE OF BALLAST COVE IN ST. GEORGE SOUND; THENCE SOUTHEASTERLY ALONG SAID MEAN HIGH WATER LINE 99.04 FEET (SAID MEAN HIGH WATER LINE BEING LOCATED APPROXIMATELY AS FOLLOWS: SOUTH 60 DEGREES 23 MINUTES 39 SECONDS EAST 99.04 FEET); THENCE LEAVING SAID MEAN HIGH WATER LINE OF BALLAST COVE RUN SOUTH 21 DEGREES 43 MINUTES 10 SECONDS WEST 1745.86 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.

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

DATED this 25th day of March, 2014.

Hon. MARCIA JOHNSON Clerk of the Court Franklin County, FL

By: Michele Maxwell As Deputy Clerk April 3, 10, 2014

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Defendants.

**NOTICE OF ACTION**

To: Ollie M. Pender, and all unknown persons claiming interests by, through, under or against Ollie M. Pender, whether as spouse, heirs, grantees, creditors or other individuals, agents, corporations, associates, partners, beneficiaries or otherwise, whose last known residence was 199-13th Street, Apalachicola, Florida and whose present residence, address and whereabouts are unknown, and all persons having or claiming to have any right, title or interest in the property herein described, and all other parties claiming by, through, under or against any known or unknown person who is dead or is not known to be either alive or dead, together with any and all unknown assigns, successors in interests, trustees, of such parties.

YOU ARE NOTIFIED THAT AN ACTION TO QUIET TITLE ON THE FOLLOWING PROPERTY IN FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA HAS BEEN FILED: Lots 6 & 7, Block 147, Apalachicola, Florida.

Dated: March 28, 2014

MARCIA M. JOHNSON Clerk of Court

By: Michael Moron As Deputy Clerk April 3, 10, 17, 24, 2014

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Defendants.

**NOTICE OF ACTION**

To: Ollie M. Pender, and all unknown persons claiming interests by, through, under or against Ollie M. Pender, whether as spouse, heirs, grantees, creditors or other individuals, agents, corporations, associates, partners, beneficiaries or otherwise, whose last known residence was 199-13th Street, Apalachicola, Florida and whose present residence, address and whereabouts are unknown, and all persons having or claiming to have any right, title or interest in the property herein described, and all other parties claiming by, through, under or against any known or unknown person who is dead or is not known to be either alive or dead, together with any and all unknown assigns, successors in interests, trustees, of such parties.

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Dated: March 28, 2014

MARCIA M. JOHNSON Clerk of Court

By: Michael Moron As Deputy Clerk April 3, 10, 17, 24, 2014

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**1) Hilary Duff gained fame as the title character in which TV series?**

Jericho, Lizzie McGuire, Degrassi High, Judging Amy

**2) What does the British English word "tripper" mean in American English?**

Tourist, Jogger, Daydreamer, Oven

**3) Which "Bonanza" actor served in the military during the Korean War?**

Greene, Roberts, Landon, Blocker

**4) Who's been the only president that previously was a CIA director?**

LBJ, Harry Truman, JFK, George H.W. Bush

**5) In backgammon, how many pieces or checkers does each player receive at the start?**

7, 12, 15, 16

**6) Of these, which is not a landlocked country?**

Austria, Ethiopia, Finland, Switzerland

**7) A winged woman holding an atom best describes which award's trophy?**

Oscar, Pulitzer, Emmy, Tony

**8) What is the #1 gassiest dog breed?**

German Shepherd, Beagle, Boxer, Dalmatian

**9) Mats Sundin is best known for what sport?**

Tennis, Golf, Hockey, Skiing

**10) What variety of food is a morel?**

Lobster, Mushroom, Pear, Onion

**11) Who made his film debut in 1955's "Revenge of the Creature"?**

Gene Hackman, Jack Nicholson, Burt Reynolds, Clint Eastwood

**12) Which of these is a famous Welsh national park and mountain range?**

Lake District, Brecon Beacons, Peak District, Exmore

**13) Of these celebrities who is the youngest?**



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Spike Lee, Billy Crystal, Chuck Norris, Tom Arnold

**14) In horse racing how many miles long is a furlong?**

1/8, 1/4, 1/2, 3/4

**ANSWERS**

1) Lizzie McGuire.

2) Tourist.

3) Blocker.

4) George H.W. Bush.

5) 15.

6) Finland.

7) Emmy.

8) German Shepherd.

9) Hockey.

10) Mushroom.

11) Clint Eastwood.

12) Brecon Beacons.

13) Tom Arnold.

14) 1/8.

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