

Out to see

Jazz concert Saturday at Riverfront Park

From 7-9 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 23, enjoy live cool jazz music from the "Fish Camp Cut Ups" at the Apalachicola Center for History, Culture, and Art, on the docks of Riverfront Park. If you want to have a lot of fun, jump in the dancing! Caller Andy Kane will be leading the fun. Fresh seafood will send off the Wakulla Working Waterfronts photo exhibit now on display at the center.

Library offers computer help, film

Carly Peary from Wilderness Coast Public Libraries will be available to help people with computer questions from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 28, at the Eastpoint branch of the county library. Also, family cinema is back and running at the Carrabelle branch at 11 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 23, with great seats available and free refreshments to watch a newly released family movie.

'The Great Raid' Aug. 30 at CGJ

The film "The Great Raid" will be shown at 10:15 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 30, at the Camp Gordon Johnston Museum in Carrabelle. The film focuses on American soldiers imprisoned by the Japanese in 1944, as the Allies were closing in on the Philippines. Throughout the film, the viewpoint switches between the POWs at Cabanatuan, the Army Rangers, the Filipino resistance and the Japanese.

Admission by donation and appreciated. This film is part of a monthly series to educate visitors of the sacrifices made by our World War II generation. Free popcorn available.

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County OKs employee pay raises

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Franklin County commissioners Tuesday morning approved a \$500 across-the-board bonus for all county employees for the upcoming fiscal year and sweetened the offer with individual pay raises for two directors and two employees.

The board also offered raises

for four other employees of the finance department, but Clerk of Courts Marcia Johnson said Tuesday afternoon she would decline those salary hikes.

Early in the meeting, Mosquito Control Director DeWitt Polous got the ball rolling in his report when he asked about a \$1,000 raise for employee Scott Tucker.

Commissioner Pinki Jackel then spoke out in favor of granting a \$500 bonus to each of the county's

roughly 163 employees, at a cost of about \$90,000. She also requested in her motion a \$2,500 increase for Parks and Recreation Director Nikki Millender and a \$1,000 pay hike for Virginia Messer, the road department secretary.

Commissioner William Massey seconded the motion, which did not include Tucker because his pay increase might come out of mosquito control's existing budget forecast for next year, which

the board reviewed at its workshop last month. Polous said the pay hike would not cost the county any additional money, because it could be taken out of a state grant that rose by \$2,008 for next year and is expected to rise in future years as larger counties turn back surpluses for divvying up among smaller ones.

Polous said Tucker, who

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BACK TO SCHOOL



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Veteran Franklin County teacher Barbara Bloodworth sits with her kindergarten class on the first day of school.

Turning point

Big year ahead for schools

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It promises to be one of Franklin County schools' most momentous years ever, and it started out on a strong note Monday.

Voters will decide in November whether they want to go to an appointed, rather than an elected, superintendent.

There also will be a change in the school board member representing a huge portion of Apalachicola, as longtime board chairman Jimmy Gander has stepped down and will be replaced by newcomer Stacy Kirvin.

There's a new principal and assistant at Franklin

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TOP RIGHT: Nicole McKee attends the Franklin County Schools' open house with her three children, twins Hayden and Hailey McKee, both ABC School first-graders, and Austin McKee, a Franklin County sophomore.

BOTTOM RIGHT: Among 10 new teachers at FCHS, Keilan McWhorter teaches high school science.



DISTRICT 2

Snyder bows out; school board rivals debate

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Low turnout predicted for Tuesday primary, Page A9

The Republican Party's Meet and Greet last week for candidates on the primary ballot in District 2 turned out to be half of what was expected, with twice as much excitement.

The momentous evening Aug. 14 at the Crooked River Grill at St. James Bay Golf Resort opened with a bombshell announcement from William Snyder, who was vying for the Republican nomination to face off in November against incumbent county commissioner Cheryl Sanders.

In a statement read by Peggy Kight on his behalf, Snyder, 55, of 2332 Enabob St., Lanark Village, said he was bowing out because of health issues. "I have not reached this decision lightly," he wrote, before closing by stating he was throwing his support to Mark

Nobles, 57, of 10-5 W. Pine St., Lanark Village, Snyder's challenger for the Republican nomination.

Nobles, who was absent because of his brother Tom's need for immediate medical care, now will square off in November against Sanders, 58, of 4901 Jeff Sanders Road, Carrabelle, who does not face an opponent in next week's Democratic primary. Sanders also was absent from the Meet and Greet, notifying moderator Liz Sisung

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County jobless rate takes bad bounce

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it comprised 5,596 workers, and the jobless rate was lower at 5.6 percent.

Franklin County's unemployment rate rose by half of 1 percent in July and is now worse than it was one year ago.

According to preliminary numbers released Friday by the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO), the county's jobless rate last month climbed to 6.0 percent, as 329 people, 30 more than in June, were in search of work. This rate of joblessness occurred as the workforce grew by 34 people, from 5,455 to 5,489.

The current workforce has 107 fewer workers than one year ago, when

The July jobless picture tied the county with Jackson, Bay and Baker counties for 14th best among Florida's 67 counties. Franklin was worse for unemployment than Clay, Nassau, Seminole, Jefferson, Broward, Alachua, Sumter, Bradford, St. Johns, Wakulla, Okaloosa, Walton and Monroe County, the state's best at 3.9 percent.

Unemployment climbed last month in all three counties of the CareerSource Gulf Coast region, which also includes Bay and Gulf.

The jobless rate in the

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# Liontamers wanted; must like to fish

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An invasion is underway off our shores.

Two species of lionfish (*Pterois volitans*, *Pterois miles*), native to the Asian and African waters, have been introduced to the Gulf of Mexico and the Atlantic coast of the U.S. after being imported to North America as aquarium fish.

Lionfish are beautiful, but they are also a growing problem, an invasive species destroying native ecosystems and, because they are venomous, a threat to divers and fishermen. It is now illegal to bring lionfish into Florida but the law banning them came late.

Lionfish were first reported off Florida's Atlantic Coast near Dania Beach in 1985. In the 2000s, the species began to be recorded off the Atlantic coasts of North Carolina, South Carolina and Georgia, while reports from Bermuda and Florida continued.

In 2011, charter fisherman and avid diver Grayson Shepard was the first to spot one of these "toxic butterflies" off Franklin County, a fish only three inches long. He said he was both excited to have finally seen one and disturbed by the knowledge they were here. It was a few months before he saw a second one, but they gradually grew common.

"Now, every dive spot we go to is covered with them," Shepard said. "You have to be careful not to get stung."

On Aug. 14, Tamara's Tapas Bar hosted a Sci-Café presented by the Apalachicola National Estuarine Research Reserve (ANERR) and FWC's Lionfish Action Control Team. Lead speakers were FWC lionfish expert Meaghan Faletti and Shepard.

In her overview of lionfish biology, Faletti described the fish as a tropical predator, although it has now been spotted as far north as Rhode Island. Lionfish mature at one year of age but live for up to 15 years. Females can lay 15,000 to 30,000 eggs every four days. Larvae, which hatch 36 hours after



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Grayson Shepard shows the audience a needle-sharp lionfish spine as Meaghan Faletti of the FWC Lionfish Action Control Team looks on.

fertilization, are strong swimmers and begin feeding four days after conception.

Saltwater dwellers in their native habitat, lionfish can adapt to a variety of habitats and have been found in water with as little as five parts per million of salt. They have been found in the Loxahatchee River in South Florida, and can be found at depths of up to 1,000 feet, and as little as 5 feet of water in the Florida Keys.

Lionfish are reef dwellers and in their native range are found around coral reefs. In Florida waters, they have taken up residence in the 2,700 artificial reefs deployed to encourage grouper, snapper and other commercially valuable fish. They have also been found in mangroves, seagrass beds and estuaries.

#### THEY EAT ANYTHING THAT FITS IN THEIR MOUTH

Lionfish are generalist carnivores, that eat anything that will fit in their mouth. They will consume prey half their length, and their stomach can triple in size to accommodate large meals. Larvae eat microorganisms. Adult fish feed on any fish or shrimp and

spiny lobsters. Parrotfish are important to the coral reef ecosystem because they remove algae; lionfish have reduced the number of parrotfish in Florida waters.

To stay healthy, reef fish are dependent on "cleaners," small fish and shrimp that remove parasites from larger fish. Lionfish happily consume cleaners and are rarely troubled by parasites.

Faletti said lionfish behave differently than native predators. They are slow moving and use their flowing fins to corner prey with slow, deliberate movements, then fan it into the mouth with those fins so they appear to vacuum it up.

Because they are nonnative, prey fish do not recognize lionfish as a threat and native predators do not recognize them as food.

Faletti said biologists have been unable to identify predators that feed on lionfish in their native range. She and Shepard said attempts are being made to train large predators in the Gulf and Atlantic to feed on lionfish. Faletti said the attempt is controversial because it is unclear whether large fish are being trained to feed on lionfish or on any fish that has



Chef Danny Itzkovitz cooked up this attractive lionfish entrée, with spines still attached, which should never be tried at home.

been speared.

Shepard said he believes sharks feed on lionfish. He said goliath grouper will not eat them, but other grouper species will eat injured ones. Snapper will eat them after they have been cut into pieces.

#### HANDLE WITH CARE

Another strategy for controlling lionfish is to encourage spear hunters and anglers to take them. The fish are delicious, but care must be taken when handling them because of their toxic spines.

Faletti said a lionfish has 18 spines, 13 on its back and five on its underside. The needlelike spines are covered with skin that slides back when the spine enters a target, revealing grooves containing poisonous tissue.

Shepard said he believes the rough surface on the head also contains some toxin. He said he has been stung by lionfish, and the sting is painful like a wasp sting, but, for him, the effects were short-lived.

Fishing guide Tommy Robinson had a different experience. Several years ago, after he was stung while fishing the Keys, he called a doctor friend who advised him to soak the sting in hot water. Because he was on a boat, no hot water was available so the sting went untreated until he reached shore.

Robinson became ill and was flown to Thomasville, Ga., where he received treatment. He became sicker than is normal because a piece of the spine remained in the

sting until almost a week after he was injured. Robinson said he is now fully recovered.

Those stung by lionfish should remove the spines, clean the wound and apply heat, not ice, until medical help can be reached. Most people experience pain for less than 24 hours, but it is wise to seek medical help because reactions can vary. So far, nobody has died from a lionfish sting in the U.S.

Following the discussion by Shepard, Faletti and Robinson at the Sci-Café, attendees were treated to lionfish supplied by Shepard and prepared by Tamara's Chef Danny Itzkovitz, who said he dredged the fish in seasoned flour and pan-fried them whole. They were crisp and tasty with white meat similar to grouper.

While attendees sampled the fish, Shepard demonstrated the safe way to clean them. He said the best way to hold a lionfish is by inserting a finger into the mouth. He used sharp shears to cut away the entire length of the spines. Removing the entire spine is important; they are poisonous for their entire length.

After removing the spines, Shepard gutted the fish, and said the scales could be removed by squirting the fish with a strong stream of water. "You can scale them with a garden hose," he said.

Both FWC and U.S. Fish and Wildlife encourage catching lionfish of all sizes whenever possible. You do not need a saltwater fishing license to harvest them in Florida, there is no bag limit or minimum size, and they can be harvested year-round. Destroying young lionfish before they reproduce is vital. Divers can also harvest lionfish using a rebreather.

FWC and local entities across the state have begun staging lionfish roundups. A record was set last month in Jacksonville when 1,042 lionfish were taken in a single day.

Everyone is encouraged to report lionfish when they are sighted. You can do so at myfwc.com. Smartphone users can download an app that allows them to report sightings of the fish.



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## News BRIEFS

### Rubio staffers in Eastpoint today

The office of U.S. Senator Marco Rubio (R-FL) is in Eastpoint today to offer a variety of constituent services, assisting people with a range of issues, including problems with Social Security, Medicare, Veterans Affairs, and more.

On Thursday, Aug. 21, Rubio staffers will be at the Eastpoint branch library, 160 Hickory Dip, from 2 to 4:30 p.m.

### Grandparents Day at FCHS Sept. 4

A program "It Takes A Village" will highlight Grandparents Day at Franklin County School on Thursday, Sept. 4 from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m.

Invited are all grandparents or "custodial grandparents" to a reception in the media center and a chance to visit their grandchildren's educational environment.

The reception for grandparents of pre-K through fifth grade students is from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m., and for grandparents of sixth through 12th graders from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.

The Seahawk "Share Outs" in classroom visits will be for pre-K through fifth grade students from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m., and for grandparents of sixth through 12th graders from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m.

### Donations needed for school clothes

School t-shirts are now on sale at the Franklin County School, 1250 US98 in Eastpoint. The shirts cost \$6 new.

School staffer Connie Sawyer said many students do not have money to purchase new shirts for fall. She asked that anybody having used shirts bring them to her.

She is also seeking school supplies and children's shoes of any size. Donations of money are also welcome.

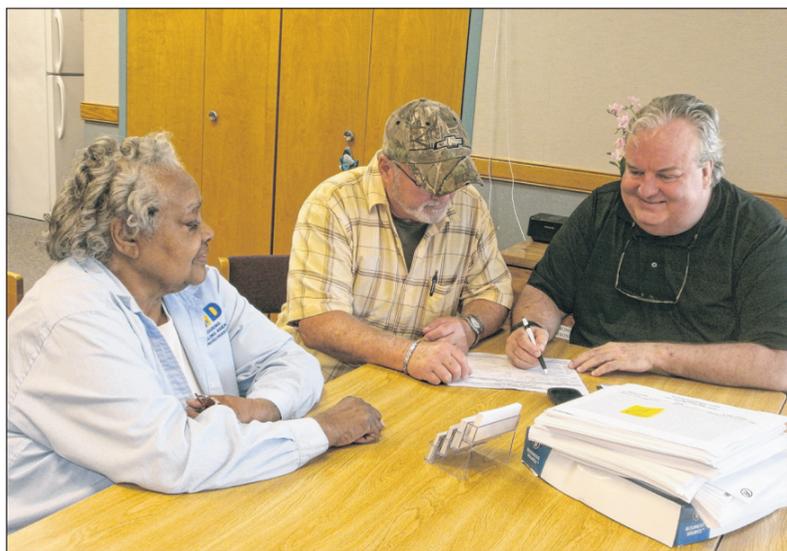
Anyone wanting more information can call 670-2800. Donations can be dropped off at the Franklin County School or at the Times office, 129 Commerce Street in Apalachicola.

### County construction contracts signed

On Aug. 5, county commissioners voted unanimously to sign two contracts for improvements to infrastructure.

H.G. Harders of Panama City will make improvements to the Abercrombie Boat Ramp as funded by a Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission Boating Improvement Grant.

Southern State Pavement of St. Augustine will make the Lake Morality Road improvements as funded by an Florida Department of Transportation grant.



### Realtors, land trust host homeowner workshop

Buying a home is made much easier when you work with the Franklin County Community Development & Land Trust Corporation (FCCD & LTC) and the Realtor Association of Franklin and Gulf counties. On Saturday, the two organizations joined forces for a homeownership workshop at the Franklin County Library in Carrabelle to help lower income families achieve homeownership.

In photo above, from left, Dr. Clinita Ford with the HUD approved NID-HCA Housing Counseling Agency, prospective homeowner John Johns (wearing hat) and Randall Webster, executive director of FCCD & LTC, review a prequalification form. Johns is from Eastpoint and a disabled veteran seeking safe decent housing for him and his son in Franklin County. Both the FCCD & LTC and the Realtor Association of Franklin & Gulf Counties plan to have these workshops on a periodic basis to help families achieve homeownership.

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## Stock picks, mutual funds and The Electric Horseman

"Somehow I think them experts ain't so expert." — Sonny Steele, from the film "The Electric Horseman"



MARGARET R. McDOWELL  
Arbor Outlook

The Electric Horseman is a silly little dramatic comedy from 1979, starring Robert Redford and featuring Willie Nelson in his first major acting role. Sonny Steele, played by Redford, is a former five-time world champion rodeo cowboy who now hawks Ranch Breakfast cereal. The corporation which owns Ranch Breakfast and employs Sonny Steele, also owns Rising Star, a multimillion dollar stallion.

But the corporate horse handlers are shooting Rising Star full of steroids and barbiturates so the animal can be paraded on stage in Las Vegas at the corporation's press revue. Steele, realizing that Rising Star is injured and drugged, rides the horse out of the casino hotel, down the strip in Vegas, and out into the mountains of Nevada. His goal? To restore the horse's health and release Rising Star into a canyon with other wild horses.

Prior to Steele's horse thievery, he argues with the corporation president about the treatment of the animal. The executive assures Steele that the horse is under expert care. Steele replies, "Somehow I think them experts ain't so expert."

Many investors and advisors feel the same way about opinions offered by mutual fund "experts." Mutual funds are essentially a packaged group of individual securities. One advantage of mutual funds is the investor is less susceptible to significant loss, since the fund is diversified.

A valid criticism of mutual funds is the inherent layers of shareholder fees. For example, many mutual funds charge 12b-1 fees, which are expenses related to the distribution

and marketing of the fund. Broker commissions and advertising, for example, would be paid by 12b-1 fees. In addition to 12b-1 fees, there are management fees, administrative fees and

operating costs to be paid by shareholders.

An alternative to consider might be to choose individual securities and essentially build your own mutual fund. Many investors and advisors choose this route.

At one trading custodian, it's \$8.95 to buy a stock, and \$8.95 to sell it, and those are the only costs associated with owning it. That's a lot less expensive than buying a Class A, front-loaded mutual fund.

So how can an investor know enough about individual stocks to serve as his/her own stock picker? You work at it. You rise early each morning and study the activity of the overseas markets. You read incessantly about economic trends and global market interactions. You learn which equities have historically risen in value and have periodically increased their payouts to shareholders over time. You analyze a company's underlying fundamentals.

It's much more difficult and complicated than simply buying a bunch of mutual funds, but the long-term payoff may be worth it.

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## Their very first First Day of School

By ELINOR MOUNT-SIMMONS  
Special to the Times

Day One of 180 school days and Week One of 36 school weeks has come and gone, and with it, anxieties waylaid, fears dissipated, friendships renewed, new shoes broken in, new backpacks filled and learning initiated. Another school year has begun!

More than 900 students wandered through the many halls and buildings of Franklin County Schools Monday in search of their classroom and were greeted by teachers, para-professionals and aides, all ready to work with them for the 2014-15 school year. Some students made stops in the front office area where they were assisted by an eager staff. Many came to the library to seek assistance from the media specialist or the high school guidance counselor who was stationed there to assist students with schedule corrections and/or changes. All-in-all, there was someone all around campus to help make Day One as smooth as possible, so hats off to the Seahawk faculty and staff!

Franklin County High School Principal Kris Bray and Assistant Principal Harolyn Walker experienced their very first First Day of School

in their new leadership roles. Both could be seen all over campus helping in a multitude of ways, from delivering breakfast to high schoolers to steering a parent and/or child in the right direction to make sure the lunch serving flows. Despite a few unforeseen problems that were out-of-their-control, both administrators were delighted as to how things flowed. "There were a few hiccups, but we're working them out," Walker said.

Pre-K students were seen in their element enjoying their very first First Day as Seahawks; whereas students from the Class of 2015 were experiencing melancholy feelings, realizing this was their last First Day. Seniors Kelsey Jones, Samantha Marxsen and Aaliyah West were spotted enjoying one of their Senior Class privileges of eating outside on one of the senior picnic tables.

Jones said he was "counting down til' I'm outie!" Marxsen commented she is "glad it's almost over," and West, who had just emerged from the lunchroom, where middle school and high school were lunching together at the same time, added that "I didn't know it would be this scary in there." Social studies teacher



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Seniors, clockwise from left, Aaliyah West, Kelsey Jones and Samantha Marxsen

Jaime Duhart said she told her students their supply list included "paper, pens, pencils and a positive attitude." This year Duhart, who has taught at Franklin County School for seven years, is assigned American history, government and economics. Veteran teacher Mike Todd, in his 17th year with Franklin County schools, will be teaching geometry and college readiness math and having taught middle school subjects last year, says of the new area, "It's going to be fun and a new challenge."

New to Franklin County, coming here from Sneads Middle School is Bruce Hubbs. Having taught middle school for the past 34 years, he "wanted the challenge of high school" and at the encouraging of a couple Seahawk coaches, he

has made high school ESE his new assignment.

Returning middle school math teacher Roy Carroll said he is "grateful to be returning to the outstanding students of Franklin County" and with his comments, a positive spin has been placed on the school year and we look forward to a great time for all Seahawks.

Don't forget parents, the school day begins earlier this year with breakfast starting at 7:30 a.m. for all students with instructional time beginning at 8 a.m. The day ends the same as last year, 2:10 p.m. Until next week, keep soaring.

A longtime classroom teacher in the Franklin County Schools, Elinor Mount-Simmons was a regular columnist for The Times for many years.

## Friends are angels whose love uplifts

It is said that "Friends are angels who help lift us up when our wings have forgotten how to fly."

This has been a challenging year for favorite husband Tom's health, and a frightening time for me as I feared that our 52-year marriage might end too soon. The avascular necrosis which caused deterioration, death and flattening of Tom's normally rounded hip joint resulted in terrible pain and lack of function for more than six months last fall. The hip was surgically repaired in January, but the skilled doctor warned us before the surgery that "This is tricky business for your Tom."

It took more than eight weeks before we could travel return to Florida to spend what was left of the winter with family and friends. But after our arrival there, Tom became frighteningly short of breath. Doctors discovered damage from an unrecognized heart attack and he underwent major heart bypass repair in May. This surgeon also warned us in the very same words that, due to Tom's other serious and complicating diseases, "This is tricky



MEL KELLY  
Thoughts for the Times

business." But knowing hands were once again successful, and Tom's newest health crisis was repaired.

Loving and very special neighbor friends waited with me as that heart operation

progressed, and joined me when the doctor came with good news of the outcome. A wonderful and caring local pastor, not even of my own faith denomination, came to the hospital and sat with us for much of that afternoon, and offered his prayers for us before he left to complete his own family errands. Another local church official kept in close touch on our healing behalf, and two longtime devoted church ladies kept the lines to heaven open and busy for months.

Other dear and caring friends offered a hand, a shoulder, or whatever else we needed, whenever we needed it. So many were there at the end of my phone line, ready should they be called if needed or wanted. It became overwhelming to keep count so that each and every one could be offered the proper thanks they well deserved. Even a special childhood friend of our son's (who now

lives many miles from us with his own young family but for many of his teen years lived at our home) offered help and support in numerous, practical, well-considered adult ways.

Many of you included us on your church prayer lines and prayer chains. Others put us — and remembered our doctors too — in your personal prayer solicitations and appeals. The powers of your devotions, your unfailing belief in the healing efficacy of prayer and your graciousness in sharing that strong faith with us truly helped to lead and support us into today's recovery efforts. I will never forget that support, compassion and concern from all of you.

As husband Tom comments while trying to recover some of his strength through a cardiac rehab program, even as he attempts to deal with the loss of his sight due to rapidly advancing macular degeneration, "I knew I would get old and die; I just didn't know I had to wear out first." Wearing out is very difficult for any patient, and most sad to watch while it happens to one you love.

Of course, our family is certainly not alone in life's struggles. Sadly, many others of you have had serious illnesses and traumas this last year. Some of you are older than we, some younger. Some have lost parents, spouses, siblings, cherished members of their personal circles, and even beloved pets. Others are trying to deal with debilitating pain, disability and diagnoses from life-changing and life-threatening diseases. A friend of many years was found to have a so-called "orphan disease," which was not correctly identified until her visit to the famous Mayo clinic. There is no cure, and her prognosis seems hopeless.

But I have learned that sometimes things can happen at just the right

time in my life. I recently received this following internet message. No author was credited, but after I edited and adapted it, I wanted to share it with you on behalf of our grateful family.

"At birth, we boarded the train and met our parents. We know they will always travel on our side. However, at some station, our parents will step down from the train, leaving us alone on this journey. As time goes by, other people will board the train; and some will be significant to us; i.e. our siblings, friends, children, and even the loves of our life. When those passengers must step down, they will leave a permanent vacuum. Others will depart unnoticed, and we don't even realize they have vacated their seats.

This train ride will be full of joy, sorrow, fantasy, expectations, hellos, goodbyes and farewells.

We do not know at which station we ourselves will step down to leave our seat empty behind us. So, we must live in the best way, love, forgive, and offer the best of who we are. We should leave behind beautiful memories for those who will continue to travel beyond our stop on the train of life."

As an old Irish blessing prays; "May God grant you always...a sheltering angel so nothing can harm you."

You are truly the angels whose love and friendship lifted us up and helped to keep our wings flying. Thank you to the many, many angels on our train who demonstrated your caring, your concern, your heartfelt friendship and love toward us which you offered and gave us so freely again this last year.

Bless your hearts, as you helped to bless Tom's and mine.

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## Apalachicola girls vie for 'Queen of Florida'

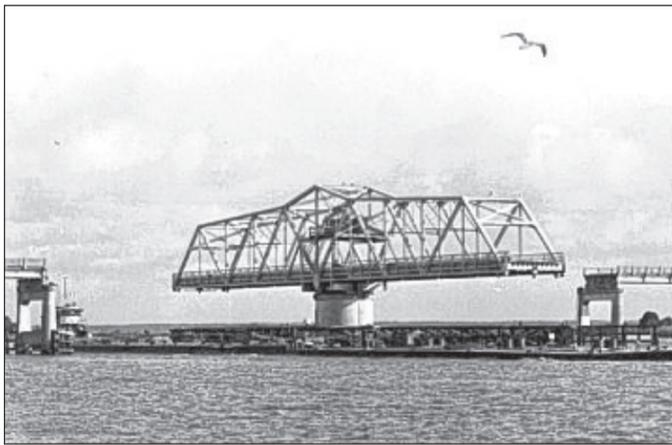
In the Aug. 25, 1934, issue of *The Times*, the first Gorrie Bridge was nearing completion and the city "Dads" were discussing how best to promote Franklin County as a tourist destination. In the third item, the equivalent cost of construction in 2014 is given in parenthesis.

A representative group of city and county officials and businessmen gathered here Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock at a meeting conducted by Mayor J.H. Cook to consider Apalachicola's participation in the statewide Popularity Contest, which is being sponsored by the Florida World's Fair Commission. The meeting was held at the Business Men's Club.

G. L. Burgess and Edwin S. Dew, representatives of the Florida World's Fair Commission, met with the group and explained the benefits obtainable through participation in the contest. Mr. Burgess who is also State Director of the Interstate Tourist Club and who is at present associated with Jack Vernon Thompson, regional headquarters director of the State Chamber of Commerce, told briefly the purposes of the promotion which would result in more dollars and cents for this particular section through increased tourist trade brought about by advertising at the Chicago exposition.

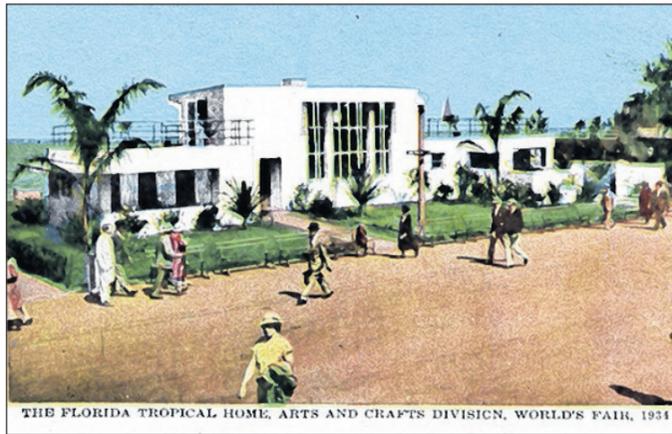
Explaining that the commission is at this time sponsoring popularity contest to find a popular young lady to send to Chicago, in September, to be crowned "Queen of Florida" at the Florida World's Fair exhibit. Mr. Burgess cited the advertising value to be derived by those cities and counties placing entrants in the contest because of the publicity which will be carried by all the important news agencies and the Columbia and National Broadcasting Companies. The one selected to represent the state in Chicago will receive honors and attention at the fair. The coronation will be colorful and beautiful. Her name and photograph will appear in all papers throughout the nation.

The proposition was endorsed by those present and two committees were appointed by Mayor Cook for the purpose of making funds available to withstand the cost of page advertisements in the Fourth District's booklet, which will be handed out to visitors at the fair in Chicago. S. F. Teague, member of the World's Fair Commission, H. L. Flowers and George S. Hines were named on a committee to confer with the county commissioners on the idea in view of drawing on the county's advertising fund to pay for the ad in the booklet. The other committee, comprised of Harry Sawyer, Raymond Anderson and J.P. Coombs, will literally raise sufficient funds, through personal subscriptions, to offset the cost of a similar advertisement of Apalachicola.



FLORIDA MEMORY PROJECT

The Gorrie Bridge circa 1940



FLORIDA MEMORY PROJECT

The Florida Tropical Home was part of Florida's exhibit at the 1934 Chicago World's Fair. The state had a fully-grown grove of citrus trees planted at the fair, along with an exhibit in the Hall of States

The pamphlet will be attractively made up. The allurements to be found there will be listed on one page, while illustrated pictures will add to its advertising value on the opposite page.

It was decided at the meeting that preparations should be set afoot at once. Miss Ruth Shephard has been put in charge of entrants in the Apalachicola contest, which will be held September 7. The final contest will be held later in Jacksonville.

Almost 15 girls have been nominated as candidates for the contest in Tallahassee. They will represent various clubs and business houses in the city.

They are Zulieme Russell, Mabel Teague, Margaret Harrison, Julia Grace Harrison, Ruth Shephard, Roby Anderson, Norma Anderson, Mary Carol Rice, Lucile Ham, Janet Cook, Vivian Marshall, Marjorie Weems, Dorothy Fraser and Dorothy Williams Rigell.

*Sadly, no photos of these dazzlers survive unless you have one. If you do, please contact The Times at 653-8868 or contact Lois Swoboda at lswoboda@starfl.com.*

### EXCERPT FROM WORLD'S FAIR GUIDE DESCRIBING FLORIDA EXHIBIT

A Spanish court is here, its blue sky crossed by a flight of white ibis.

Dioramas of scenic spots, 15th century cannon, mission bells, treasure chests and barnacle incrustated anchor from St. Augustine lead to a display of strange fruits. Papaya, like cantaloupe except that papayas grow on trees; Chinese star fruit, with shiny pink shells like shrimp; mangoes; white separte, like crab apples; avocados and long green and white striped Chinese squash.

In a garden adjoining the indoor exhibit are dozens of different kinds of palms; lilies float on a lily pool; orchids grow on old trees and stumps just as they do in the Everglades. A pair of tame pink ibis are allowed the run of the garden.

With the better known citrus fruits: grapefruit, oranges, lemons and limes, is seen the calamondin, which is about the size of a lime, has a skin like a tangerine and is more acid than a lemon.

### CITIZENS GET CLOSE-UP OF BRIDGE WORK

A group of prominent Apalachicola citizens were given a close-up of the actual construction of the gigantic Gorrie Bridge Tuesday when State Project engineer E. S. Fraser and R. Don McLeod headed a tour on the bay for the purpose of inspecting work on the span.

Members of the party were Mayor J. H. Cook, T. E. Austin, J. H. Hodges, H. K. Johnston, J. A. Shuler, Fred Sawyer, Harry



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Page from a promotional pamphlet for the 1934 World's Fair

Sawyer, Dwight Marshall and S. E. Teague.

The party, which left Apalachicola aboard the boat being used by the state crew during the period of construction, watched the crews of their construction companies as they went about their work of weaving steel, concrete, wood and sand into the mammoth bridge for which the citizens of this city have been waiting hopefully over the last nine years.

A thorough explanation of the specifications of each project was given to members of the party by project engineer Fraser, who also told them the amounts of materials that will be utilized in building the bridge and the separate bids of each construction company. Each member of the inspection party came back with a host of information and a much more concrete idea of the tangible aspects of the bridge.

They found that Duval Engineering and Construction Company of Jacksonville, which is working under contract "A" that of throwing up the hydraulic fill, will pump 852,000 cubic yards of sand out of the bay. The Florida company's bid for the project was \$222,550 (\$3.9 million).

The Hardaway Construction Company of Columbus, Ga. Whose bid amounted to \$137,336 (\$2.4 million), on contract "B" the construction of nine concrete piers for the navigation opening at the mouth of the river will utilize 3050 cubic yards of

concrete according to information released by the project engineer.

The Douhnut-Ewing Company of New Orleans will use 301,100 linear feet of structural timber, 97,310 linear feet of untreated piling, 118,140 feet of treated piling and 31,312 feet of concrete handrail on project "D" the bid on which was \$681,748 (\$11.96 million).

Other materials to be used on the bridge include 1,844,000 pounds of steel in bulkheads, 10992 cubic yards of concrete in trestle slabs, 1,627,900 pounds of reinforcing steel in the piers, 4,280,570 pounds of structural steel in treated spans, 938,509 pounds of structural steel in the main crossing and 50,000 pounds of machinery and castings. Electrical equipment and the control house and its machinery must also be mentioned.

Exact information concerning the work of the Penton-Mathis Construction Company of Florida, Ala., which is doing the work on project "E" at Eastpoint has not been made known. The Alabama company's bid was \$14,000 (\$245,614) on the grading work to be done at the eastern approach. The Nashville Bridge Company, whose work will consist of erecting steel for the horizontal opening, or contract "C", will begin their project after the supporting piers are finished. This company's bid was \$73,979 (\$1.3 million).

The aggregate bid on the bridge amounts to \$1,119,645 (\$19.6 million).

## Looking for lighthouse keepers

Terry Kemp of the St. George Island Lighthouse Association is trying to prepare an exhibit about the current resting place of former lighthouse keepers. She has successfully located Saunders Nichols, Braddock and Arad Williams Jr.

Still, missing are Walter Roberts Sr., believed to rest in Magnolia Cemetery; John W. Smith, who was keeper during 1834; Allen Smith 1834-35; John Garrison 1835; Willis Nichols 1841, Samuel Packer 1841-42; David Adkins 1842-46; William McKeon 1846-48; Francis Lee 1848-49; William Taylor 1849-50; William Austin 1850-51; James Reilly 1866-67; Joseph Lucroft 1867-68; James Albert Williams 1875-93; Edward G. Porter 1893-1913; John F. Reese

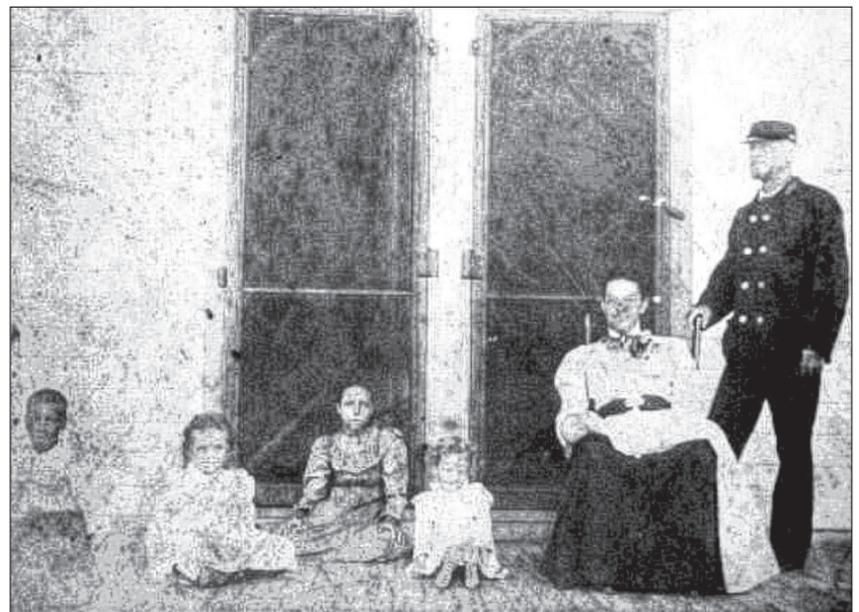


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The graves of lighthouse keepers Arad and Braddock Williams in Chestnut Cemetery

1913-17; David D. Silva 1917-1932; Thornton K. Cooper 1938-39; and Sullivan Richard White 1939-44.

They are also seeking the location of assistant keepers James A Williams 1857-61; John Murphy 1866-67; Michael



FLORIDA MEMORY PROJECT

Children Barnard, Josephine, Ethel, Eleanor and wife Jo holding Pearl with Edward G. Porter on porch of light keepers home

Scanlan 1867-68; James Chester Williams 1886-93; Francis M. Pope 1893; William J. Knickmeyer 1902-09, 1925; Ulysses M.

Gunn 1917-23; Thornton K. Cooper 1932-38 and John W. Montgomery 1938-49.

If you have information about any of these men, please contact *The Times* at 653-8868 or contact Lois Swoboda at lswoboda@starfl.com.

# Rolstad retires after 38 years



PHOTOS COURTESY OF FRANKLIN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

After 38 years of service, Doris Rolstad retired Friday from the Franklin County Sheriff's Office. She was hired by Sheriff Jack Taylor back in the late '70s and served under five sheriffs during her almost four decades on the job. In photo above, Rolstad is flanked by A.J. Smith, executive director of the Florida Deputy Sheriffs' Association, left, and Sheriff Mike Mock.



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## NO SKATEBOARDS ALLOWED



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The county has posted signs in Lighthouse Park prohibiting the use of skateboards. The move came in response to damage inflicted on county-maintained structures by skateboarders and because of safety hazards to both skateboarders and pedestrians.

## 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 and the Franklin County Sheriff's Office. All defendants are to be considered innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

- AUG. 12**  
Ernest Paul, 50, Apalachicola, withholding child support (FCSO)  
Fredrick Wilsey, 48, Eastpoint, disorderly intoxication (FCSO)
- AUG. 14**  
Angela Parks, 35, Apalachicola, driving while in-cense suspended or revoked, possession of cannabis and attaching improper license plate (FCSO)  
Phillip O'Neal, 21, Apalachicola, violation of probation for felony (FCSO)  
James Daniel Creamer, 32, Apalachicola, petit theft (FCSO)  
Amber M. Branch, 34, Eastpoint, violation of probation for misdemeanor (FCSO)  
Andrew J. Amerson, 54, Carrabelle, disorderly intoxication (FCSO)
- AUG. 15**  
Christopher Buzbee,

- 44, Apalachicola, domestic battery and violation of probation for felony (APD)  
Dillan Grimes, 21, Apalachicola, violation of probation for felony, and possession of cannabis (FCSO)
- AUG. 16**  
Benjamin J. Braswell, 20, Apalachicola, possession of paraphernalia (FCSO)  
Joseph Frasier, 67, Eastpoint, trespass on property (FCSO)  
William R. Cadle, 66, Marietta, Ga., indecent exposure (FCSO)
- AUG. 17**  
Preston W. Smith, 34, Carrabelle, possession of a controlled substance, and tampering with physical evidence (FCSO)  
Deborah K. Partin, 55, St. George Island, violation of restrictions of driver's license (FCSO)
- AUG. 18**  
Rodger Simmons, 50, Sopchoppy, grand theft and dealing in stolen property (FCSO)  
Ethan Whittington, 19, Eastpoint, domestic battery, possession of cannabis, and possession of paraphernalia (FCSO)

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## Car crashes NAPA store wall

Apalachicola Police Officer Timothy Davis responded to a single vehicle accident at 230 U.S. Highway 98 in front the Apalachicola Auto Parts NAPA Store about 2:30 p.m. Thursday.

A black 2000 Mercedes Benz, driven westbound by Corky Dykes, 141 Highland Park, Apalachicola, was making a left turn to park in front of the NAPA store when the brakes on his vehicle apparently failed, Davis said.

The crash caused significant damage to the exterior wall of the store, penetrating well into the interior of the building, as shown at right.

No one was injured during the accident.

— By DAVID ADLERSTEIN



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# 2013 Annual Drinking Water Quality Report

## Alligator Point Water Resource District

We are pleased to present to you this year's Annual Water Quality Report. This report is designed to inform you about the quality water and services we deliver to you every day. Our constant goal is to provide you with a safe and dependable supply of drinking water. We want you to understand the efforts we make to continually improve the water treatment process and protect our water resources. We are committed to ensuring the quality of your drinking water. Our water source is ground water from six wells drawn from the Floridan Aquifer. Because of the excellent quality of our water, the only treatments required are chlorine for disinfection purposes and Aqua Gold, which is a polyphosphate compound injected as a sequestering agent that neutralizes scale and corrosion.

In 2013 the Department of Environmental Protection performed a Source Water Assessment on our system and a search of the data sources indicated no potential sources of contamination near our wells. The assessment results are available on the FDEP Source Water Assessment and Protection Program website at [www.dep.state.fl.us/swapp](http://www.dep.state.fl.us/swapp).

If you have any questions about this report or concerning your water utility, please contact Alligator Point Water Resource District (APWRD), Sara Turner at (850) 349-2274. We encourage our valued customers to be informed about their water utility. If you want to learn more, please attend any of our regularly scheduled meetings. They are held monthly on the third Saturday of each month at 9:00 a.m., at the APWRD Office, 1378 Alligator Drive.

Alligator Point routinely monitors for contaminants in your drinking water according to Federal and State laws, rules, and regulations. Except where indicated otherwise, this report is based on the results of our monitoring for the period of January 1 to December 31, 2013. Data obtained before January 1, 2013, and presented in this report are from the most recent testing done in accordance with the laws, rules, and regulations.

In the table below, you may find unfamiliar terms and abbreviations. To help you better understand these terms we have provided the following definitions:

**Action Level (AL):** The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements that a water system must follow.

**Initial Distribution System Evaluation (IDSE):** An important part of the Stage 2 Disinfection By-Products Rule (DBPR). The IDSE is a one-time study conducted by water systems to identify distribution system locations with high concentrations of trihalomethanes (THMs) and haloacetic acids (HAAs). Water systems will use results from the IDSE, in conjunction with their Stage 1 DBPR compliance monitoring data, to select compliance monitoring locations for the Stage 2 DBPR.

**Locational Running Annual Average (LRAA):** the average of sample analytical results for samples taken at a particular monitoring location during the previous four calendar quarters.

**Maximum Contaminant Level or MCL:** The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

**Maximum Contaminant Level Goal or MCLG:** The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

**Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level or MRDL:** The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.

**Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal or MRDLG:** The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.

**Non-Applicable (N/A):** Does not apply

**Non-Detect (ND):** means not detected and indicates that the substance was not found by laboratory analysis.

**Parts per million (ppm) or Milligrams per liter (mg/l):** one part by weight of analyte to 1 million parts by weight of the water sample.

**Parts per billion (ppb) or Micrograms per liter (µg/l):** one part by weight of analyte to 1 billion parts

by weight of the water sample.

**Picocurie per liter (pCi/L):** measure of the radioactivity in water.

*If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. APWRD is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.*

*The State of Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) sets drinking water standard for secondary contaminants and has determined that Chloride and Total Dissolved Solids are aesthetic concerns at certain levels of exposure. Chloride and Total Dissolved Solids were sampled in August 2012 and were found in higher levels than are allowed by the State (MCL violations). Chloride and Total Dissolved Solids, as secondary drinking water contaminants, do not pose a health risk. We will continue to sample as required by rule.*

*The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.*

*Contaminants that may be present in source water include:*

*(A) Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife.*

*(B) Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally-occurring or result from urban stormwater runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.*

*(C) Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban stormwater runoff, and residential uses.*

*(D) Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban stormwater runoff, and septic systems.*

*(E) Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.*

*In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, the EPA prescribes regulations, which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water, which must provide the same protection for public health.*

*Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791.*

*Thank you for allowing us to continue providing your family with clean, quality water this year. In order to maintain a safe and dependable water supply, we sometimes need to make improvements that will benefit all of our customers. These improvements are sometimes reflected as rate structure adjustments. Thank you for understanding.*

**Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbiological contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).**

*We work to provide top quality water to every tap. We ask that all our customers help us protect our water sources, which are the heart of our community, our way of life and our children's future. If you have any questions or concerns about the information provided, please feel free to call any of the numbers listed.*

### 2013 CONTAMINANTS TABLE

Contaminant and Unit of Measurement	Dates of sampling (mo./yr.)	MCL Violation Y/N	Level Detected	Range of Results	MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination
<b>Radioactive Contaminants</b>							
Alpha emitters (pCi/L)	Aug 2009	N	5.1	ND - 5.1	0	15	Erosion of natural deposits
Radium 226 + 228 or combined radium (pCi/L)	Aug 2009 & Jul 2012	N	1.4	ND-1.4	0	5	Erosion of natural deposits
<b>Inorganic Contaminants</b>							
Barium (ppm)	July 2012	N	0.025	0.016-0.025	2	2	Discharge of drilling wastes; discharge from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits
Chromium (ppb)	July 2012	N	5.5	4.3 - 5.5	100	100	Discharge from steel and pulp mills; erosion of natural deposits
Nitrate (as Nitrogen) (ppm)	May 2013	N	0.028	ND-0.028	10	10	Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits
Sodium (ppm)	July 2012	N	150	28-150	N/A	160	Salt water intrusion, leaching from soil
<b>Stage 1 Disinfectants and Disinfection By-Products</b>							
Disinfectant or Contaminant and Unit of Measurement	Dates of sampling (mo./yr.)	MCL or MRDL Violation Y/N	Level Detected	Range of Results	MCLG or MRDLG	MCL or MRDL	Likely Source of Contamination
Chlorine (ppm)	Jan - Dec 2013	N	0.6	0.2 - 0.9	MRDLG = 4	MRDL = 4.0	Water additive used to control microbes
Haloacetic Acids (five) (HAA5) (ppb)	July 2012	N	11.35	5.0 - 17.7	N/A	MCL = 60	By-product of drinking water disinfection
TTHM [Total trihalomethanes] (ppb)	July 2012	N	37.85	25.6-50.1	N/A	MCL = 80	By-product of drinking water disinfection

Contaminant and Unit of Measurement	Dates of sampling (mo./yr.)	AL Exceeded Y/N	90th Percentile Result	No. of sampling sites exceeding the AL	MCLG	AL (Action Level)	Likely Source of Contamination
<b>Lead and Copper (Tap Water)</b>							
Copper (tap water) (ppm)	Jun-Sep 2011	N	0.21	0 of 5	1.3	1.3	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives
Lead (tap water) (ppb)	Jun - Sep 2011	N	4.0	0 of 5	0	15	Corrosion of household plumbing systems, erosion of natural deposits

### SECONDARY CONTAMINANTS TABLE

Contaminant and Unit of Measurement	Dates of sampling (mo./yr.)	MCL Violation Y/N	Highest Result	Range of Results	MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination
<b>Secondary Contaminants</b>							
Chloride (ppm)	Jun - Sep 2012	Y	320	71 - 320	N/A	250	Natural occurrence from soil leaching
Total Dissolved Solids (ppm)	Jun - Sep 2012	Y	764	228 - 764	N/A	500	Natural occurrence from soil leaching



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### Notice of Board Vacancy Franklin County Tourist Development Council

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## ELECTION from page A1

that chronic knee problems prevented her attendance. Supervisor of Elections Ida Elliott said Snyder sent a letter Friday notifying her of his decision. She said Snyder's name will appear on the Aug. 26 primary ballot in District 2, but no matter how many votes he receives, Nobles will be the GOP nominee.

"We have to put up notices in all the precincts, and early voting sites, and absentee ballots for the district," she said. "But the vote cast in this race will not change anything. Nobles has been nominated."

### Scant support for appointed superintendent

With no county commission politicking, the three-way, nonpartisan school board race among three Carrabelle-area residents turned into the highlight of the night. Incumbent David Hinton, 78, 112 Hinton St., and challengers Wilburn "Ray" Messer, 55, 166 Sanborn Road, and Pamela Marshall, 56, 1989 River Bend Plantation Road, each took full advantage of their chance to reach out to the 50 or so voters on hand.

If one of the three earns a majority of the votes cast on Tuesday, they will be declared the winner. Otherwise, the top two candidates will square off in the Nov. 4 general election.

With Marshall flanked by the two men on either side of her, the three began with an introduction, as former Carrabelle city commissioner Cal Allen kept tally of their time.

Messer talked about his family roots here and said he has worked for the Department of Corrections for 17 years, rising to the rank of captain, where he oversees a large group of



DAVID HINTON



PAM MARSHALL



RAY MESSER

staffers under him.

"The biggest reason I'm running is them five grandchildren," he said. "We have a D school. Y'all have as big an investment as I do. If we keep failing, their education is going to lack."

He said this is the third time he has run for school board. "I have a reason for running, I don't see it getting better," he said. "It takes more than one person to change anything, and as far as trying to change it, it will take a leader. We can all lead a horse to water, but I can make him drink."

In her intro, Marshall mentioned her husband, Mike, a Carrabelle businessman, and told of how she had retired from teaching here after more than three decades in the classroom.

"I'm not a politician, but I feel like 32 years teaching qualifies me to run for this position," she said. "I will listen to concerns of parents. You have entrusted me for 32 years with your greatest gift, your children, and now I'm asking you to entrust me with their future, their school."

Hinton, who is retired from the Air Force as well as a second career teaching at Carrabelle High School, said his wife's surgery and subsequent radiation treatments has prevented him from doing as much campaigning as in previous elections.

"I haven't been knocking on your doors," he said,

noting this was the fifth time he'd run for office, after deciding 14 years ago the school board needed an educator on it.

Hinton cited two accomplishments in his opening statement: helping to draft the code of conduct and to implement a school-wide free lunch program.

"Discipline is always a concern of people in this community," he said. "We revised the code of conduct to give a method of discipline that would be something we would know would happen if a child did certain things."

He said he pushed for the free lunch program, "without costing taxpayers a dime and without taking money out of our operating budget."

"A lot of kids did not have money to pay for lunches, and they'd come to me often and ask for a loan so I could buy lunch," Hinton said. "I want every kid to have a free lunch, (because there have been) a lot of kids who were eligible for free lunches, but they would not apply for it. If everyone got a free lunch, there's no stigma."

On the next question, whether they supported the upcoming Nov. 4 countywide referendum to switch to an appointed, rather than elected, superintendent, none of the three candidates gave it their complete backing.

"That's up to the voters; that's up to y'all," Messer

said. "Me, I'm against it. I don't think you should appoint anything. Who's going to be over them, the five board members? You're defeating the purpose, and it's taking a right away from us. I'm dead set against it, but if voters vote it in, I'll do whatever you want."

Marshall said she had reservations about the current minimal standards for an elected superintendent.

"I believe we have the right to elect our leaders, in Florida, and that's really big," she said. "My only problem is with electing a superintendent, you have to be a resident and 18 years old, and that scares me. I think if we're going to elect our superintendent, then qualifications have to be raised."

"If it's appointed, we'll get people who will have to have a master's or PhD. You won't have nepotism," Marshall said. "I really believe in electing the superintendent. I believe in 'We the People.' I think our standard for superintendent needs to be up."

Hinton said he spent three years in the military in Vietnam, fighting for American principles such as the right to vote. "The vote is the most important privilege you have. I don't want to give up voting for anything," he said.

He said the district's financial situation defines its options. "We don't have the money to hire a first-class superintendent," he said. "It's just like a football coach in a small school like we have. We don't have funds to pay a first-class football coach. As soon as a coach makes a name for himself, he goes off to a school for higher pay."

"I've been here 35 years, and I can't remember us having a superintendent

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who was not qualified," Hinton said. "I worked for two superintendents, and both of them have done OK work. They don't always do what you believe in, but they're OK. I'm not against it (appointing). If you vote for it, I'll support it."

## Discipline, vocational training discussed

The candidates fielded several written questions, and in doing so, each stressed the particular issues that are driving them.

"The goal should be to get better every year; everybody in the faculty should have a goal, to raise the grade every year," Messer said. "We got people working in the school system, making big dollars, that's doing nothing. I'm not talking about cutting jobs, I'm talking about putting people to work who aren't doing nothing. We're just spending way too much money on nothing."

He was critical of the schools hosting an open house during working hours, rather than in the evening, and of school board members not taking an active part in the schools. "It should be a requirement that school board members should be in that school. You can't be a leader if you don't know what you're leading," he said.

Messer also urged outreach to parents, even when it seems fruitless. "You just keep on and keep on until you win some more of them over," he said.

Marshall said one of the biggest goals for the district should be to raise its grade and contrasted the traditional school, which received a D, and the ABC School, which has gotten an A.

"There's a big difference between the charter school and the (traditional) school," she said. "We take everybody; it doesn't matter what child it is. Our doors are open to everybody; we can't just pick and choose who we want to come to our school."

She stressed the importance of increasing the morale of the district's teachers. "Teachers are our students' most valuable resources. They should be supported and listened to by the school board. They work really, really hard, and they just want to be appreciated a little bit," she said. "I'll listen to parents if elected. I want to hear from people. I want to know what decisions need to be made and your thoughts."

Marshall said she'd like to see classes in art and music and drama at

Franklin County High School. "We basically don't have that in our schools anymore," she said. "Some kids don't play musical instruments, and some kids love to sing. We also need more vocational classes. We don't have marine mechanics in Franklin County. All this water and all these boats and no marine mechanics classes?"

Hinton said his goal for the district "is to be the best we can be. How do we do it? We have to continue to plan, and review and revise our plan every year."

He said the problem with offering vocational training, beyond the current carpentry and culinary programs, is that the population is not large enough to support it, both in terms of available funding as well as the possibility of there being enough skilled jobs to absorb the students after they complete their certifications.

"We have teachers for everything the state requires us to have but we can't go out and do extra things," Hinton said, noting that in 1980, he had co-authored a marine science curriculum for Franklin County that was taught for 10 years and led to Gulf Coast State College asked him to teach one of their classes.

Hinton pointed to several examples of highly successful graduates of the school system. "Our schools have the ability to produce students who want to learn," he said. "We need to change the attitude of the parents in the community to push their children to learn."

Hinton said the schools need to share publicly the accomplishments of their students, and he told of his personal effort to reward those students who never miss a day of school. He said he began a practice of offering \$20 to any student who didn't miss a day of school during the year, and that this gradually expanded into offering \$200 to a student who had a perfect attendance record throughout their school career.

"I believe in recognizing kids and the teacher and those who do well in public, so everyone knows the good things that happen in school," he said.

All three candidates stressed the importance of firm and consistent disciplinary policies that do not favor one group over another. Each pointed to examples where disciplinary practices had fallen short, and each promised to uphold with fairness the district's code of conduct.

# Low turnout predicted for Tuesday primary

With early voting going slowly so far, Supervisor of Elections Ida Elliott is predicting a low turnout for Tuesday's primary election.

"If we have a 30 percent turnout for the whole election, I'll be pleased," she said, noting turnout in the primary four years ago was a lackluster 34.4 percent.

She said early voting has been very slow, with only 117 casting ballots in Apalachicola and 98 in Carrabelle, as of Monday. Contrast this to 2010, when 529 early voting ballots were cast.

"They're not hardly returning absentees hardly, either," Elliott said.

One change that may boost turnout is that Elliott is installing room air conditioners, at her office's expense, in Precinct 4 at the American Legion Hall, 801 W. U.S. 98 in Apalachicola, which had its air conditioning unit

stolen earlier this year. "We have to have air out there," Elliott said. "We're fixing to go through horrible hot weather."

Early voting for Tuesday's primary runs through this Saturday, Aug. 23. Election offices in Apalachicola and Carrabelle are open 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. weekdays and until 4:30 p.m. Saturday.

Other than the race in District 2 (see related story), the biggest contest is for District 4 county commissioner, with incumbent Joseph "Smokey" Parrish, 52, 108 Long Road, Apalachicola, facing a challenge from Royce S. Rolstad III, 31, 119 Hicks Lane, Apalachicola.

The two are squaring off in the Aug. 26 Democratic primary, winner take all. Because there are no declared Republican candidates, the primary is a universal one, meaning voters from either party,

without a party or affiliated with a small party, are eligible to vote.

Elliott said in four of the county's eight precincts, if an individual is not registered with either the Republican or Democratic parties, there will be nothing to vote on. Otherwise, there is something on every ballot in all eight precincts for Democrats or Republicans to vote on.

There are no nonpartisan ballots (which encompass minor parties) in Precinct 1, at the East-point Volunteer Fire Department, 24 Sixth St.; in Precinct 3, at the Florida National Guard Armory, 66 Fourth St., Apalachicola; and in Precinct 7, at the St. George Island Methodist Church, 201 E. Gulf Beach Drive, on the island.

In half of Precinct 5, at the Senior Citizens Center, 201 Ave. F, Carrabelle, there are no nonpartisan ballots for those voters who are in District 5, which is represented by County Commissioner William Massey and School Board Member Pam Shiver.

— By DAVID ADLERSTEIN



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# Island divas rally round Dayle

By LOIS SWOBODA

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Eleven island ladies used their skills to support a friend this week.

A group of women from St. George Island has regularly attended Tuesday Trivia Night at Tamara's Tapas Bar for almost a year. When trivia caller Dayle Flynt announced she was taking a break for medical reasons, these island divas decided to help, so when they learned a fundraiser was planned at Eddy Teach's Raw Bar, they put an item in the silent auction.

Bunnie Ison suggested they auction off a hand-prepared gourmet meal. She said such contributions are commonly made to auctions in her native Knoxville, Tenn. The group decided to offer an Italian dinner for six, complete with wine.

Ken Fessey of St. George Island was high bidder and, on Friday, he and his bride Kit were joined by Vicky and Jim Frost for dinner at Glynda Ratliff's bayside home.

The table on a west-facing porch was elegantly appointed by Pat O'Connell with fresh flowers contributed by Mary Stutzman and Ratliff and arranged by Ratliff



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Orchestrating a delightful experience for four lucky guests Friday evening are, from left, Shirley Richardson, Linda Jones, Bunnie Ison, Pat O'Connell, Glynda Ratliff, Pat Gore, Jo Ann Russell, Mary Stutzman and Connie Dehner. Not pictured are Adele Colston and Cecilia Harris.

and tableware in shades of blue and white. There were candles everywhere. Linda Jones prepared shell table favors as a souvenir for the diners.

The revelers arrived at 7 p.m. and began the evening with chilled Prosecco, a sparkling Italian white wine, and hors d'oeuvres prepared by Jo Ann Russell. There was an antipasto tray, a hand-prepared cheese ball and fresh asparagus wrapped in thick sheets of prosciutto. During the appetizer course, the party was serenaded by Shirley Richardson on

hammer dulcimer.

The divas and their guests mingled until the sun began to dip below the horizon. Then, the Fesseys and Frosts made their way to the table where Pat Gore served the salad course prepared by Linda Jones, an Italian creation featuring ham and mozzarella. The guests were served a second wine with the cold course.

Connie Dehner, Glynda Ratliff and Cecilia Harris all contributed to the wines and cordials served during the meal.

The salad was followed

by wonderfully rich lasagna prepared by Ison served with a robust red wine. For dessert, the guests were offered Tiramisu from the kitchen of Adele Colston, and a dessert wine or a selection of cordials.

O'Connell, Dehner, Gore and Ratliff worked late to clear away the plates and wash the dishes.

Ratliff said the group plans to auction off more meals in the future to benefit worthwhile causes. Ison said the fundraiser at Eddy Teaches to benefit Flynt netted more than \$10,000.



Vicky Frost compliments Shirley Richardson who performed on the hammer dulcimer during the hors d'oeuvres.



Ken Fessey, far left, wife Kit, center left, Vicky Frost and husband Jim, far right, were pampered guests in the bayside home of Glynda Ratliff.

## LEGION POST 82 INSTALLS NEW OFFICERS



SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

On Saturday evening, Camp Gordon Johnston American Legion Post 82 installed their new officers. Pictured from left are Cmdr. Tim Kelleher, 1st Vice Cmdr. Dan Cox, 2nd Vice Cmdr. Brad Zahn, 3rd Vice Cmdr. Bob Ochala, Executive Member at Large Mary Britz, Finance Officer Dan Rosier, Chaplain Barbara Cook, Historian Mike Hansson, Executive Member at Large Tim Ryan, outgoing Sgt. at Arms Travis Earl and outgoing Cmdr. Tommy Larson. Behind them on the stage are District 2 Cmdr. Willie Jackson and District 2 Vice Cmdr. and Post 82 Adjutant Greg Kristofferson. Not pictured are Sgt. at Arms Gary Lee and Executive Member at Large Bobby Turner. District Cmdr. Jackson performed the installation ceremony, assisted by District Vice Cmdr. Kristofferson. Awards were presented to outgoing officers Cmdr. Tommy Larsen, 1st Vice Cmdr. Tim Ryan and Sgt. at Arms Travis Earl.

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Dr. Bixler has a special medical interest in women's health. She also has interest in dermatology as well as child health from infancy to adolescence.

She will accept same-day appointments and new patients at Sacred Heart Hospital on the Gulf located at 3801 E. Highway 98 in Port St. Joe.



# Obituaries

## Frank Coughlan



**FRANK COUGHLAN**

Francis Baily Coughlan of Apalachicola died peacefully on Friday, Aug. 8, 2014, after courageously battling cancer for over seven years. He was 56 years old.

Frank was born April 25, 1958, in New York City and grew up in Larchmont, N.Y. After attending Fordham Prep, Frank graduated from the Culinary Institute of America in 1989, where he was awarded the Wine Medal for his graduating class. He spent many years opening and managing restaurants in NYC, Atlanta, New Mexico and most recently Apalachicola. A nature and animal lover, Frank enjoyed hiking and taking his dogs to the beach.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Sheila (Brendle); and his parents, Francis Pierce, Jr. and

Joan (Baily) Coughlan. Frank is survived by his sister Ellen (Douglas) Neil of Fairfield, Conn.; sister Grace (John) Connell of Westport, Conn.; brother Paul

(Elizabeth) Coughlan of Norwalk, Conn.; and Sheila's children and grandchildren. He was the proud uncle of Grace, Catherine and Hugh Connell.

Donations may be made in Frank's name to Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center in New York, N.Y. Friends paid their respects at John J. Fox Funeral Home, Larchmont, N.Y., on Friday, Aug. 15. A Mass of Christian burial was celebrated on Saturday morning, Aug. 16, at Sts. John and Paul Church in Larchmont. Interment was private.

## Marvin McIntosh

Marvin McIntosh, 72, of Carrabelle passed away Thursday, Aug. 7, 2014.

He is survived by his wife of 51 years, Becky McIntosh of Carrabelle.

He was born in Douglasville, Ga., on Aug. 20, 1941. He was a Mason, Shriner, American Legion member and a sea captain.

The family requests that in lieu of flowers, contributions be made to Big Bend Hospice, 1723 Mahan Center Blvd, Tallahassee, FL 32308.

The Memorial Service will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 23, at Chillias Hall, Lanark Village.

He is also survived by daughter, Marla; sons Mike (Melanie) and Paul (Michelle); three grandchildren, Stephen Webb, Rebecca Webb and Jamie McIntosh; sisters Maurica McIntosh, Nina Turner (Charles) and Becky Branden (Bruce); and extended family Kevin, Kari and Zach Libby.

He was preceded in death by his parents, J.B. and Martha McIntosh; and brother, Robert McIntosh.

David Conn of Bevis Funeral Home, Harvey-Young Chapel in Crawfordville assisted the family.

## Charlie Register

Mr. Charles E. "Charlie" Register, Jr. passed from this life Tuesday morning, Aug. 12, 2014, at home with his family.

Born Feb. 9, 1924, in Lynn Haven, Mr. Register had been a resident of Hitchcock, Texas for 52 years. He proudly served his country in the U.S. Navy on the USS Bennington before becoming a boat captain for Houston Ship Pilots in 1961, retiring after 30 years.

Charlie enjoyed visiting shut-ins from his church to encourage them and keep their spirits up, and was a welcome sight to many. He was always for the underdog, was an avid golfer and loved his grandkids and great-grandkids.

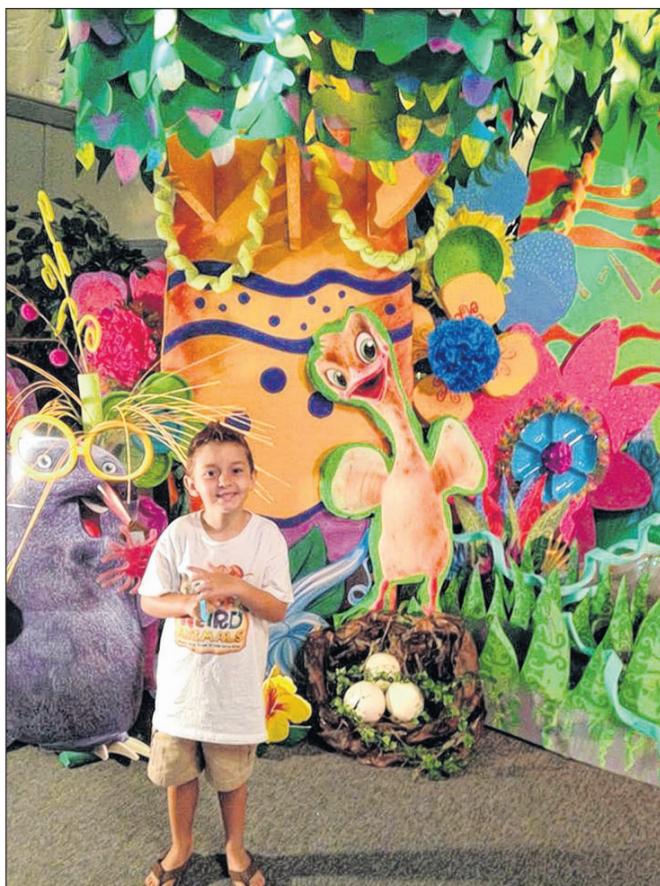
He was preceded in death by his parents, Charles and Zoah Ethel Register; brothers, Ernest and Lawrence Register; and sisters, Deanna Hayes

and Louise Montgomery.

Survivors include his loving wife of 62 years, Pat Register; daughters, Charlene Haygood and husband, Scott, of Hitchcock, Texas, and Denise Longmire and husband, Richard, of Santa Fe, Texas; brothers, Winfred, Carlos and Monroe Register; sisters, Inez McCormick, Hazel Golden and Mазzие Ann Moore; grandchildren, Jennifer Gerald and husband, Matt, Patrick Longmire and wife, Ariel, and Kami Haygood; and great-grandchildren, Bryce Gerald, Abigail Gerald, Joseph Ryan, Seth Ryan and Abbigail Ryan.

A private cremation was conducted under the direction of Hayes Funeral Home, Santa Fe, Texas.

Those who wish may make memorials in the form of donations to Community Hospice of America, 2135 S. Eastgate Ave., Springfield, MO 65809.



SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

Chaseon Martina took part in First Pentecostal Holiness Church's annual vacation Bible school, which featured the theme "Weird Animals: Where Jesus' Love is One-of-a-Kind."

# Tipton retires as VBS director

Special to The Times

After completing another successful year directing the First Pentecostal Holiness Church's annual vacation Bible school earlier this month, Terry Tipton has stepped down after 15 years at the helm, to be replaced by Beth Terry. More than 200 young people from throughout the county and almost 60 volunteers took part in the weeklong summer program Aug. 4-8, which featured the theme "Weird Animals: Where Jesus' Love is One-of-a-Kind."

In a public letter posted on Facebook, Tipton said he made the decision after careful thought and prayer. "I have loved the position and I will miss working closely with all of the volunteers who helped

me create so many incredible memories, backdrops and sets," he wrote. "However, after spending many years as 'the boss,' I also am excited to pass the baton on and begin a new chapter and pursue other opportunities that will challenge me and allow me to grow as a person."

Tipton thanked the community for the years of donations and support, and thanked parents for allowing the church to minister to their children. "I have seen many kids start our program when they were 3 or 4 years old, they came each year until they reached 12 years old, and then they became part of the volunteer crew," he said. "It is a blessing to witness a child mature and blossom in the Kingdom of God."

# In Loving MEMORY



## Willie Weaver

To a good soldier, Happy Birthday.

"I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith: Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing," 2 Timothy 4, v. 7-8.

From Eula and family

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## Fifth-grade teachers

The Franklin County Education Foundation, the Franklin County Public Library, A.J.'s Neighborhood Bar & Grill, Bayside Burgers and Hog Wild BBQ have been so generous with our students at the beginning of this school year. We just wanted to send a public thank you to these organizations. You have lifted the spirits of the teachers as well as supported our students in their quest for success during a time when we all needed some community support.

Thank you so much,

Melanie Humble, Audrey Gay and Barbara Lee  
Fifth-grade teachers  
Franklin County School

# Watch out for school buses

Breakfast at the boat club last Saturday was alive with hungry folks, but we still had a place for you. Good food, good service and good friends. Hope you can join us next month on Saturday, Sept. 20.



LANARK NEWS  
Jim Welsh

Went to Camp Gordon Johnston American Legion Post 82 to be installed as chaplain for the Sons of the Legion. Very nice service. Officers of each of the three branches were introduced and sworn in. Afterward, we had our monthly Birthday Bash. Thanks to all who prepared and brought food.

On Fridays and Sundays, there will be no smoking in the Legion Post lounge until after 8 p.m. If you need to take a puff or two, you'll

have to go out to the screened-in porch. That's where the ashtrays and the rest of us will be. Got to the covered dish at Chillias Hall in between downpours. We

had a good crowd and lots of food. Hope you'll plan to make the next one, Sunday, Sept. 21. Thanks, ladies, for the food and service.

The memorial service for our good friend Marvin McIntosh will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 23, at Chillias Hall. Come join us as we celebrate Marvin's life.

The memorial service for our friend and neighbor Marie Denitez will be Saturday, Aug. 30, at the Christian Center on River Road in Carrabelle. Celebration of her life begins at 11

a.m. With school starting, watch for the school buses, especially along Oak Street here in Lanark Village. Be kind to one another,

check in on the sick and housebound and smile. Jesus loves you.

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

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## Discarded fishing line, trash entangle turtles

By TOM BAIRD  
Special to The Times

At the time of this writing, female loggerhead sea turtles have laid over a 150 clutches of eggs on St. Joseph Peninsula and the State Park, and this doesn't include nests on Eglin Air Force Base beaches. Many of the nests have begun to hatch, and little hatchlings are making their way to the water.

They run a gauntlet of natural predators, including ghost crabs and birds. Now they also have to negotiate around unfilled sand pits, trash, beach furniture, cabanas, and vehicles left on the beach overnight. For those fortunate enough to make it to the water, their trials are not over. Besides marine predators, both adult and juvenile sea turtles continue to face many threats from humans.

Degradation of nesting beaches and near shore habitats has decimated sea turtle populations, and new predators, such as coyotes and fire ants, have reduced nesting success. What the public often doesn't see

are the cruel losses to boat collisions and fishing gear entanglements. These take a large toll annually.

According to the Sea Turtle Conservancy and based on estimates by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Agency (NOAA), each year more than 250,000 sea turtles are accidentally captured, injured or killed by U.S. fishermen. This includes both commercial and recreational fishermen. These are staggering losses for marine species that are threatened or endangered and whose continued existence is in peril.

Marine turtles are some of the most remarkable creatures you may encounter out on the water. Whether on the water or on shore, we all need to do our part to ensure the survival of these magnificent creatures.

Turtles often mistake floating bits of plastic debris as food and can choke or have fatal internal blockage from ingesting bits of trash. Do not discard trash overboard from



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A live hawksbill entangled in rope in the Gulf of Mexico

your boat and be sure to properly remove all trash, especially wrappers and bits of plastic, from the beach or your boat. Anyone who has participated in beach clean-up events knows that people leave an amazing amount of trash on the beach. A lot of that is plastic, which takes years and years to break down. All those little pieces of candy wrapper are floating death sentences for turtles that mistakenly ingest them.

Trash can also entangle turtles. Marine debris can include plastic bags, plastic pellets, balloons, and ghost fishing gear, such as nets. These entanglements can lead to suffocation or drowning. Marine turtles spend either all or a significant part of their lives in the open ocean. Juvenile loggerhead and green turtles, because of their size, are especially at risk from trash in the ocean.

Discarded monofilament

fishing line is a major threat to marine turtles. Monofilament is non-biodegradable and can remain intact and dangerous in the marine environment for over 600 years. One rescued turtle was recorded ingesting approximately 590 feet of monofilament.

According to the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, more than 298 sea turtles were entangled in fishing line in Florida from 2000 to 2006. Besides ingestion, turtles can become entangled in monofilament leading to drowning if the line gets caught on the sea floor or in gear. Line wrapped around a flipper can lead to infection, loss of the flipper, or death. Proper disposal or recycling of monofilament line can not only save a turtle, but also prevent costly engine repairs from entanglement on the propeller or shaft.

What do you do if you

encounter an injured or entangled sea turtle? According to the FWC, gently bring the turtle close to you, use a dip net or firmly hold its front flipper and shell to safely lift it out of the water. Do not lift the turtle above water by pulling the line; this will result in further injury. Avoid the turtle's mouth and flipper claws. Cut the line using blunt scissors or a knife and remove any excess line that has become entangled around the turtle. Do not remove any fishing hooks unless the turtle is lightly hooked and it can be taken out without further injury. If you are uncertain, do not remove hooks. Turtles with serious cuts, ingested, or deeply embedded hooks need veterinary care. Keep the turtle in the shade and DO NOT transport. Immediately call the 24-hour FWC Wildlife Alert Hotline at 1-888-404-FWCC (3922). If the turtle is alive,

please be prepared to stay with it until help arrives. Also be prepared to answer some simple questions:

What is the exact location of the animal?  
Is the turtle alive or dead?

What is the approximate size of the turtle?

Is the turtle marked with spray paint? (This may indicate that the turtle has been previously documented.)

What is the location of the closest access point to the turtle?

As far as sea turtle entanglements, it just all boils down to being aware of your trash and not disposing of ropes, nets, lines, hooks and leaders, plastics or other refuse off your boat. For beach goers it means taking a little effort to clean up after your day at the beach. And if someone else has left trash, pick it up. These are all just simple things that require very little effort, and you'll be teaching your kids good beach habits. All this can make a big difference to sea turtle survival.

Tom Baird has been a fisheries biologist, high school and community college teacher (oceanography and microbiology), director of a science and environmental center, teacher of science and principal in Pinellas County as well as an educational consultant. Retired from the Florida Department of Education, he and his wife divide their time between Tallahassee and Cape San Blas.

### WEEKLY ALMANAC

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Date	High	Low	% Precip
Thu, Aug. 21	90°	79°	40 %
Fri, Aug. 22	92°	80°	30 %
Sat, Aug. 23	92°	81°	30 %
Sun, Aug. 24	91°	80°	40 %
Mon, Aug. 25	88°	80°	50 %
Tues, Aug. 26	88°	79°	50 %
Wed, Aug. 27	87°	78°	80 %

### TIDE TABLES MONTHLY AVERAGES

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

Cat Point	High	Low
East Pass	Minus 0:40	Minus 1:17
	Minus 0:27	Minus 0:27

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

Bald Point	High	Low
	Minus 9:16	Minus 0:03

### APALACHICOLA

Date	Day	High Tide	High Tide	Low Tide	Low Tide
21	Th	3:49am 1.5	12:40pm 1.7	7:39am 1.3	9:18pm 0.2
22	Fr	4:15am 1.5	1:45pm 1.7	8:40am 1.2	9:57pm 0.2
23	Sa	4:37am 1.6	2:42pm 1.8	9:28am 1.1	10:31pm 0.3
24	Su	4:56am 1.6	3:30pm 1.8	10:09am 1.0	10:59pm 0.4
25	Mo	5:12am 1.6	4:14pm 1.8	10:45am 1.0	11:22pm 0.5
26	Tu	5:26am 1.6	4:57pm 1.7	11:18am 0.9	11:41pm 0.6
27	We	5:42am 1.7	5:39pm 1.7	11:50am 0.8	11:59pm 0.7
28	Th	6:00am 1.7	6:25pm 1.6	12:22pm 0.7	
29	Fr	6:22am 1.8	7:15pm 1.6	12:19am 0.8	12:57pm 0.6
30	Sa	6:48am 1.8	8:15pm 1.5	12:43am 0.9	1:40pm 0.6

### CARRABELLE

Date	Day	High Tide	High Tide	Low Tide	Low Tide
21	Th	2:24am 2.4	11:15am 2.7	5:26am 2.1	7:05pm 0.3
22	Fr	2:50am 2.4	12:20pm 2.7	6:27am 1.9	7:44pm 0.3
23	Sa	3:12am 2.6	1:17pm 2.9	7:15am 1.8	8:18pm 0.5
24	Su	3:31am 2.6	2:05pm 2.9	7:56am 1.6	8:46pm 0.6
25	Mo	3:47am 2.6	2:49pm 2.9	8:32am 1.6	9:09pm 0.8
26	Tu	4:01am 2.6	3:32pm 2.7	9:05am 1.4	9:28pm 1.0
27	We	4:17am 2.7	4:14pm 2.7	9:37am 1.3	9:46pm 1.1
28	Th	4:35am 2.7	5:00pm 2.6	10:09am 1.1	10:06pm 1.3
29	Fr	4:57am 2.9	5:50pm 2.6	10:44am 1.0	10:30pm 1.4
30	Sa	5:23am 2.9	6:50pm 2.4	11:27am 1.0	10:58pm 1.6

## Panhandle persists in seeing Florida panthers

By TOM McLAUGHLIN  
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There is no shortage of Panhandle residents who claim to have seen the beautiful Florida panther or heard its haunting screams.

Where the shortage lies is in the amount of physical evidence that the big cats still exist here. The last documented sightings in these parts probably came around the turn of the last century.

"I'm sure historically there have been panthers there, but not in recent times," said South Florida-based Darrell Land, the Panther Team Leader for the state's Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission. "We've had no road kills, no trail camera photos and no plaster casts of tracks."

The number of wild panthers living anywhere in the state is frighteningly low, estimated by Land at somewhere between 100 and 180 adult cats.

The big cats are found almost exclusively on the southern tip of Florida, south of the Caloosahatchee River, which Land said runs west from Lake Okeechobee.

While some young males have been known to brave the river and venture into central or in rare cases northeast Florida, the breeding population remains south of the Caloosahatchee because no females have been known to cross the river.

"Females are typically more home bodies anyway, and it may be that when they hit an obstacle like that river, which can be a pretty good swim, they just shrug their shoulders and say 'I'm not moving,'" Land said. Land surmised that Interstate 4



GARY WHYTE | Special to The Times

The female black leopard often has noticeable markings.

running between Orlando and Tampa may pose another significant barrier for even the bravest of male panthers, and that could be why there are no confirmed sightings, even of a stray cat, in Northwest Florida.

But don't tell someone who thinks they've seen a panther they haven't seen a panther, or worse yet, that what they saw was probably someone's golden retriever.

"Wildlife management may not have ever seen the black panther but they obviously aren't looking in the right places or looking hard enough," Jennifer Weeks Elmore commented on the Northwest Florida Daily News Facebook page.

Twenty-one other readers joined Elmore in asserting that they'd seen, or heard, or heard of someone who had seen, a panther in this area.

Brock McLean said he was hunt-

ing when he saw a panther jump over a palmetto. He claims he watched the big cat for about two minutes and was sure it wasn't a bobcat.

Jessica Murphy said she used to see one around Mossy Head, but it disappeared about a year ago.

Karo Kuykendall said the first time she heard a panther scream out near Escambia Farms she "thought someone was murdering a neighbor."

Cool as it might be to actually have Florida panthers in the area, the experts, at Eglin Air Force Base's Jackson Guard and with FWC, say there's just no hard evidence to confirm what folks like to think they saw.

"To my knowledge we have not verified anything," said Stan Kirkland, an FWC spokesman in the agency's Panama City office. "Next to Bigfoot, I'd say the panther is the most widely spread myth we have."

### FISH REPORT SPONSORED BY



### Inshore/Bay

Inshore fishing has slowed down somewhat due to the hot weather and school starting back in many locations, however, good reports from St. Joe Bay and Indian Pass have anglers excited this week.

Large schools of red fish have been spotted running parallel to the beaches from Cape San Blas to Indian Pass but are very picky about bait choice. Live pinfish, finger mullet or smaller croakers should get you in the action.

Flounder are starting to show up under the George Tapper bridge and at Mexico Beach canal, but watch your tides and bring along some live bull minnows for best results.

King Fish are still hanging around most near shore structure and over most artificial wrecks and in the shipping channels out of Mexico beach. Cigar minnow and duster lures work very well for trolling and flat line fishing.



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Junior fullback Trenton Lee (#21) gets set to block as junior Dallas Shiver (#3) hands off to sophomore running back Marshall Sweet (#1).  
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## Seahawks prime for stronger 2014 season

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**EASTPOINT** — Aaron York's players have the will. Now they must find their way.

Franklin County endured a winless 2013 season, but York sees a program on the rise in his second year as head coach.

"Last year, every game we took the field, the kids believed truly they were going to win," York said. "It didn't matter if we were playing the No. 1 team in the state of Florida or what. ... That carried over to this year. They've bought into the philosophy of what we teach about hard work and discipline.

"We had a good offseason. We averaged over 40 kids in the weight room this summer. We really believe the hard work is going to pay off."

York said his job is much different in his second year than his first.

"It is easier because you do know the kids, the kids know your routine, what your expectations are," he said. "And the coaches have coached together, and we know what to expect of each other. ... We expect more out of our kids and ourselves."

The Seahawks' offense returns four starters on the offensive line, and York said he has seen considerable improvement in that group since last year.

"Those are the hardest-working guys we've got, first of all," York said. "I don't think any one of them missed a day in the summer in the weight room. They started from scratch as 10th-graders, and they were babies last year new to football. After what they saw last year and the caliber of teams we went up against, it was going to make them better."

York noted that the team has only one senior — Cole Wheeler, a slot receiver and linebacker — to lean on to provide leadership among the players.

Franklin County plays in District 4-1A and has considerable ground to make up against its three district rivals, each of which finished with winning records last year.

"Our motto this year is 'win today,'" York said. "If we take care of today and get better, it will be a successful season and we can build on last year. That's our goal."

### FRANKLIN COUNTY SEAHAWKS

2013: 0-9 (0-3 District 4-1A)  
Head coach: Aaron York, second year  
Starters returning: 6/7

**SCHEDULE**  
Friday, Aug. 22: 7 p.m. @ Wewahitchka (Classic)  
Friday, Aug. 29: 6 p.m. @ Evangelical Christian  
Friday, Sept. 5: 7 p.m. vs. Sneads  
Friday, Sept. 12: 7 p.m. @ North Bay Haven  
Friday, Sept. 19: 6:30 p.m. @ Liberty County  
Friday, Sept. 26: 6 p.m. @ Aucilla Christian  
Friday, Oct. 3: 6:30 p.m. vs. Port St. Joe  
Friday, Oct. 10: OFF WEEK  
Friday, Oct. 17: 6:30 p.m. vs. West Gadsden  
Friday, Oct. 24: 7 p.m. @ Baker  
Friday, Oct. 30: 6:30 p.m. vs. Wewahitchka  
Friday, Nov. 7: 7 p.m. @ Vernon

**2013 RESULTS**  
Wewahitchka 0-48  
South Walton 7-66  
@ Sneads 6-41  
Liberty County 0-64  
@ Wewahitchka 14-40  
@ Port St. Joe 6-49  
Blountstown 0-49  
@ West Gadsden 0-50  
at Baker 13-54  
Vernon 6-48

**Standouts:** Cole Wheeler (sr. WR), Marshall Sweet (so. RB), Tyler Farmer (8th WR), Josue Barahona (so. QB), Jake Robinson (jr. OG), River Banks (jr. OC), Hunter Segree (jr. OT).

### SEAHAWK BASKETBALL

## Sweatt leaves; Williams touted as successor

By DAVID ADLERSTEIN  
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On the eve of what looks to be a strong basketball season for the Franklin County Seahawks, coach Mike Sweatt has returned to his former coaching position at Wakulla County High School.

Former Apalachicola Shark standout Mackenzie Williams, now a physical education teacher at the ABC School, is being touted as his successor.

Sweatt, who built the program steadily since arriving here three years ago, said he made the decision with mixed feelings to return to his high school alma mater, Class of 2001. The father of two young boys, Sweatt underwent a divorce this year and said being closer to his parents and his hometown, with a leaner teaching schedule, will afford him more time to spend with his young family.

After coaching at Wakulla for three years, Sweatt left in 2011 to come to Franklin County and steadily grew the program at both the middle and high school levels, including expanding the summer hoops program (see related story).

"It's all about the offseason when you're building. You got to start from the base up," said Sweatt.

Wakulla Principal Mike Barwick said Monday that he knew Sweatt's work from his years at Wakulla, which began with the middle school program and led to three successful years as varsity coach.

"I was extremely impressed by Mike and his ability to run a program," said Barwick. "He's a local kid who grew up with the high school here and it's good having him back.

"He's a quality coach. It's fortunate for us," he said.

Sweatt's departure leaves a void at both the hoop coach position as well as at athletic director. Franklin County High School Principal Kris Bray said the district is in the process of advertising for these and other supplemental contracts, and expects to fill them by month's end.

Topping the list of Sweatt's advice to the district



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Mike Sweatt, above, will coach at Wakulla County High School this year. Mackenzie Williams, below, is being touted as his successor.



is to hire Mackenzie Williams, the physical education teacher at the ABC School. A standout player on former Sharks coach Joe Hayes' 2007 squad, as well as the Boys and Girls Clubs Big Bend Youth of the Year, Williams recently earned his bachelor's degree, and teaches physical education at ABC, as well as serving as a coaching assistant to Sweatt's junior varsity team last year.

"The best thing to do for basketball is to get Mackenzie Williams," said Sweatt. "I think he's respected. He'll be good."

Bray said she has heard positive things about the young man. "Mackenzie has definitely shown his interest and the community has shown interest in Mackenzie being the new coach," she said. "He has come and talked to me about his interest."

ABC Principal Chimene Johnson said that similar to last year, the school would work with accommodating Williams' coaching schedule at the high school if he is named head coach.

## Hawks fight for second in Tally Showdown

Special to the Times

The Tallahassee Big Bend Showdown last month featured several great teams, including two high school teams that won state championships last year in Alabama and Georgia.

Along with the Franklin Five Star Hawks, the teams in the 17-and-under division were Florida Blazin' Heat, Tri-County All-Stars, Dothan (Ala.) Blaze, South Carolina Tarheels and Alabama Blue Grass.

"We started out this tournament not playing well on the defensive end of the floor," Coach Mike Sweatt said. "Our defensive transition as a team was horrible, and our rotations were slow. This really showed our first two games."

The Hawks' first game was against the Tri-County All-Stars from Tifton, Ga., whose players last year won state at their local high school. Franklin County lost this game 60-54.

"We had to overcome a 17-point deficit but just needed more time at the end," Sweatt said. "We were only down by this margin because our defensive transition and slow rotations in our defenses. Marshall Sweet and Tyler Farmer played very well on both sides of the floor in this game."

In their second game, the Hawks faced the Dothan Blaze, which also won state last year in Alabama at their local high school, and fell 68-50. "This game we did not do well on the transition phase of the game as well," Sweatt said. "We went on some runs, but they went on the last run."

The Hawks picked up their performance in the elimination game against the Florida Blazin' Heat, which features players spread out from throughout North Florida. "Our defense was relentless, which is how our team plays basketball," Sweatt said.

The Hawks won 46-41, after Austin Everheart hit late free throws to clinch the contest. Kelsey Jones, Nathan Jones and Sharod Senatus were the big difference makers on defense, Sweatt said, with their abilities to block shots and rebound a sight to see throughout this game. He said all the guards played aggressively on the defensive side



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The Hawks squad holds up their runner-up trophy in the Big Bend Showdown.

of the ball, including Farmer and Sweet.

The victory meant the Hawks were seated third to play in the bracket pool play. First off was a match-up against top-seeded Dothan Blaze, who had won an Alabama state title last year.

Josue Barahona led the way offensively by hitting six three-pointers in this game. The penetration ability of Kelsey Jones and Senatus opened up the shooters on the outside, and Farmer, Sweet and KK Wilson all hit big shots from the perimeter as well.

After trailing by as much as 15 in the first half, the Hawks came back and led by two with just eight seconds left. Dothan hit a big trey to pull ahead by 1, and the Hawks went down court and called a timeout with three seconds left.

Patrick Harvey ran the out-of-bounds play to perfection and after a good pick set by Kelsey Jones, Senatus hit the game-winning layup to give the Hawks a 57-56 semifinal game victory.

In the championship, the Hawks faced the Tri-County All-Stars, Georgia state champions during the regular season. "We had a horrible start and just couldn't seem to play offense or defense in the first half," Sweatt said. "We were down 40-17 at one point in this game, and then in second half, we just snapped into a different team."

The Hawks came back thanks to a 37-18 run led by Senatus, Jones and some great shooting by Barahona, Farmer and Sweet. Ahead

58-54 with a minute left, the Georgia team hit their free throws, and the Hawks nailed a layup and a free throw, to end it with a final score of 63-57.

"This tournament, we really grew and learned that we can't dig holes and try to climb out of them all the time," Sweatt said. "We just weren't consistent in attacking throughout this tournament offensively and defensively. We still placed second regardless and almost took out two state championship high school teams from the previous season."

Players taking part in the tournament were Kelsey Jones, Tyler Howard, Tyler Farmer, KK Wilson, Nathan Jones, Josue Barahona, Sharod Senatus, Marshall Sweet, Patrick Harvey, and Austin Everheart. Coaches participating were Michael Sweatt, Jeremy Williams and Ricky Jones.

"We would like to thank our sponsors for all their contributions and donations throughout the spring and summer," Sweatt said. "Waterstreet Potters, Fisherman's Choice, Bluff Road Storage, Gunn Heating & A/C, Inc., King's Plumbing, Inc., Erin Rodriguez Construction, Water Street Seafood, Piggly Wiggly, Willis Ace Hardware, Red's Family Store, TP Transport Inc., Chanda's Laundry and Cleaning Inc., Danny Gilbert, Tamara's, Four Kids minus Folly LLC and Beach Pros Realty/Jolly Rogers. A big thanks to the Franklin County commissioners as well for their contributions in the state tournament as well as nationals."

## Soccer registration wraps up Aug. 30

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Registration for youth soccer is getting ready to close next week.

Young people between the ages of 4 and 13 are welcome to take part. Cost per child is \$60, and parents must provide birth certificate to verify age. Also needed are coaches, volunteers, referees and sponsors. Team sponsorships are \$300.

All Centennial Bank branches will give out and accept volunteer, sponsorship and registration forms with payment and copy of birth

certificates during August. Seal in an envelope with FCYS on outside of envelope when turning in to the bank.

Remaining registration days at DW Wilson Sports Complex in Apalachicola; Vrooman Park in Eastpoint; and IGA in Carrabelle are 5:30-6:30 p.m. today, Aug. 21, and 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 30. Aug. 30 is the final deadline for all registration forms, payment and birth certificates.

For more information, call Betty Sasnett 653-7598 or Scotty Lolley 899-0627.

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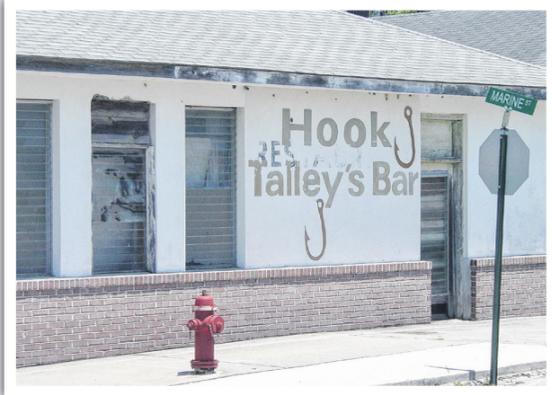
Staff Report

This new page has been created to feature photographs submitted to the Times by our readers. This regular addition to The Times offers an opportunity for the photographers from throughout Franklin County, residents and visitors alike, to highlight their best work capturing the excitement and energy of the people, the beauty of the landscape, and the adventure of the world around them. Please send photographs to Dadlerstein@starfl.com. For more information, call 653-8894.



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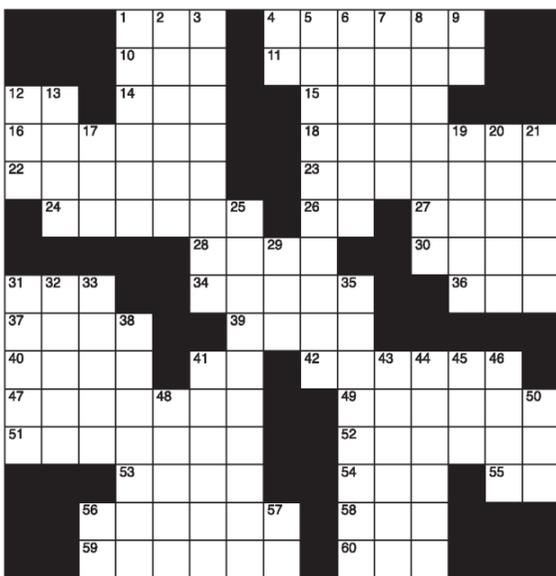
These two boys diving are from Utah, enjoying their first time on a boat, off Dog Island.



JOHN HITRON | Special to the Times

The former Hook Talley's Bar on Marine Street in Carrabelle.

## Crossword PUZZLE



### CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Ancient Egyptian God
- 4. Think about constantly
- 10. Nursing group
- 11. Consecrated
- 12. Preceded A.D.
- 14. Cattle genus
- 15. Serpent in Sanskrit
- 16. Author Boothe Luce
- 18. Frowns intensely
- 22. Lower in dignity
- 23. Passing play
- 24. Sphagnum moss bog
- 26. 3rd lightest noble gas
- 27. Prefix meaning "inside"
- 28. Transferred goods for S
- 30. Literary term for an ocean
- 31. Hit lightly
- 34. Allegheny plum fruits
- 36. Midway between S & SE
- 37. Supplements with difficulty
- 39. A quick run
- 40. Signal sound
- 41. 13th state
- 42. Nun garbs
- 47. Cause to become undone
- 49. Dwarfed ornamental plant
- 51. Nazi corps
- 52. Pail
- 53. Acid that causes gout
- 54. Anger
- 55. Therefore
- 56. Lackey
- 58. Second sight
- 59. Lowest moral motives
- 60. Drench

### CLUES DOWN

- 1. Infants
- 2. Jacket
- 3. Unworthiness
- 4. Bone
- 5. Dhaka is the capital
- 6. Relating to musical notes
- 7. Claviceps fungus disease
- 8. Marine algae
- 9. 40th state
- 12. Number, in base two
- 13. Skelton's Kadiddlehopper
- 17. A dalton (Physics)
- 19. Sea eagles
- 20. Fixed charges per unit
- 21. Incline
- 25. Three Bears heroine
- 29. Mauna \_\_\_, Hawaiian volcano
- 31. Correct coding
- 32. Type of fruit
- 33. Brews
- 35. More frumpish
- 38. Cook's bowl scraping tool
- 41. Express discontent
- 43. Paris stock exchange
- 44. Ingest food
- 45. Expression of disappointment
- 46. Stars Wars character Rrogon
- 48. Limb angulation
- 50. P.M. Hirobumi
- 56. Initials of social media site
- 57. Yukon Territory



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Minnie and Tom Stover paddle down a creek near Eastpoint.



ERIN GRIFFITH | Special to the Times

A breathtaking shot off the beach on Dog Island.



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An emerging loggerhead hatchling hits the surf on Alligator Point.

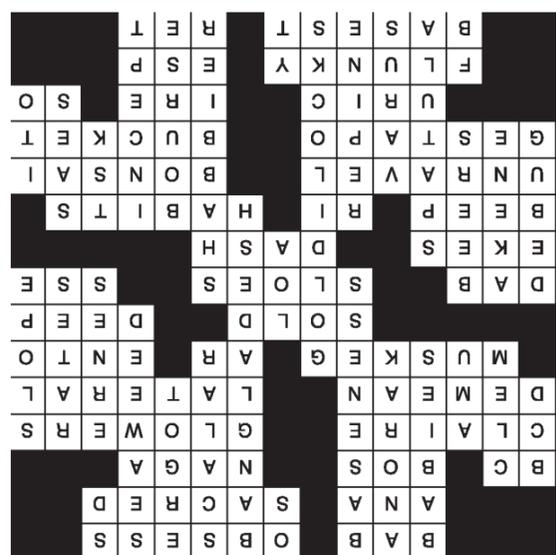


JUAN JONES | Special to the Times

Janayla Gibbs encounters a long empty hallway on her first day of school, showing what kids really see when they attend those big buildings for the first time.

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## Crossword SOLUTION



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oversees inmate crews for about seven months out of the year, is not eligible for incentive money road department employees can get for working with inmate crews. "He's a really excellent employee," Polous said. "I can't brag on Scott enough. When I was out sick, he stepped right in and he picked up the mantle and ran with it. I didn't have to worry about anything."

Jackel's three-part motion was quickly challenged by Commissioner Noah Lockley, who long has favored employee raises, even in tight budget years when his suggestion has not met with support from his fellow commissioners.

"I've got a problem; we're picking and choosing," he said. "I'm for people getting a raise, (but) we're just picking and choosing certain people. That makes trouble in the workforce."

Commissioner Smokey Parrish agreed, noting Veterans Service Officer William Scott asked for raises during last month's budget workshop. "I think we're opening up a can of worms here," Parrish said. "I think we're going to have more people come back the next meeting and the meeting after that. Where does it stop if everybody comes to us individually?"

"I don't have a problem with the \$500," he said. "I do have an issue with picking and choosing on the other side of it, though. I'm not opposed to what we're doing for the overall employees."

Jackel said the cost of the increases fits into the proposed millage rate, because the 2014-15 budget has a projected \$181,000 surplus. "These numbers do not exceed what the surplus was at the TRIM (Truth in Millage) notice rate that was sent out," she said.

Lockley said the county has been working with Tallahassee labor attorney Lucy Turner to implement a plan that creates order in setting salaries and includes a provision to grant regular cost-of-living increases each year.

"We're going through the thing with this lawyer," he said. "If we give certain people raises, we might as well throw that out the door. Certain people getting raises is going to cause problems in the workforce. I want to be fair to everybody."

Millender said at Turner's last presentation to the county commission, a motion was made to increase her pay as well as that of Messer and a third employee, who already has been given his.

"I was kind of put off to wait for Lucy (Turner)," Millender said. "I understand what you're saying, commissioner, but it's been talked about several times. Me and Virginia have been left out here kind of lingering."

Millender said Solid Waste Director Fonda Davis had granted a \$1,500 increase to his secretary and \$2,000 increases to two others in his department. She said while Road Department Director Howard Nabors was given a \$5,000 increase when he assumed the top job, she received only an additional \$2,500 when she was named to lead parks and recreation.

"These are more or less unresolved issues that we said we'd take up," said Jackel, whose motion passed 3-2, with Parrish and Lockley dissenting. Sanders cast the tie-

breaking vote and said she did so because the two individual raises were previously promised. "We did tell Nikki we would give her a raise," she said.

Lockley followed up with a motion of his own, to give \$1,500 raises to four employees of the finance department, to County Planner Alan Pierce and to Michael Moron, Johnson's administrative assistant and secretary to the board of county commissioners.

Asked by Sanders during the earlier discussion about pay hikes to her employees, Johnson said, "I'd love to see all my finance department get \$2,500 more, but I did what the board said and cut my budget. I don't have the money there to do it. I'd like to see what Lucy Turner suggested, a cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) built into the budget year after year."

Jackel agreed with the COLA but said during times of flat or declining property values, it would mean taxes would have to go up every year. "I think we're looking at a time in the near future when we can do that," she said.

Lockley's motion passed unanimously, but later in the afternoon, Johnson said she would decline the offer for the finance department employees but retain it for Moron, who as secretary to the board of county commissioners, has been instrumental in making sweeping changes to digitize the process and make it virtually paperless.

In a written statement, she said she recognized that members of her staff who are funded by the county commission have continually taken on additional tasks. "For examples, when the tourist development tax was enacted and when the county received the BP oil spill monies, my staff's workload on paying those bills increased dramatically," Johnson said. "At my direction, my office staff has found ways to allow much more public access to the board's minutes, budget, and other records, and they have gone above and beyond to provide transparency in my office."

"At the commission's meeting Aug. 19, when two other county staff received raises, I believe that commissioners recognized the professional accomplishments of my deputy clerk to the board in providing them paperless, and more efficient records, and moved to give raises to my staff funded by them. I was unaware this action was to occur," she said.

"Considering the current economic environment, I asked myself about the wisdom of increasing just the few of my staff funded by the commission while the remainder of my staff, as well as other constitutional officers' staff and county department employees, go without any increase," Johnson said. "I've decided it's preferable at this time that I decline the increases other than that of my deputy clerk who serves as secretary to the board. If, or when, the board receives any future BP Oil/Restore Act funding, or should the Tourist Development Tax be increased and there are additional financial reporting responsibilities, I may pursue increases for my finance staff."

When the raises go into effect Oct. 1, Messer's annual salary will rise to \$28,152, Millender's to \$37,000, Moron's to \$41,300 and Pierce's to \$64,800.

## SCHOOLS from page A1

County Schools, both females, the first time that's been the case in years.

But with all these changes, the most important detail — the students — took center stage Monday, and the numbers and the enthusiasm were both up.

"It went phenomenal. It went exceptionally well. We had a great day yesterday," Kris Bray, principal of Franklin County School, said Monday. Harolyn Walker is assistant principal.

"I'm extremely excited about our school year," said Chimene Johnson, principal of the Apalachicola Bay Charter School.

"We have had a few 'crises,' she added with a smile that indicated it was nothing out of the ordinary on a day marked by an emotional mix of apprehension and enthusiasm from students.

Enrollment is up at both campuses, with the traditional campus welcoming 986 students Monday, 488 in grades kindergarten through fifth, 192 in the middle school grades six through eight, and 306 in high school grades nine through 12.

She said more than 25 new students, from as far away as Michigan, Georgia and Alabama, enrolled this week. Plus there's another 30 students in the pre-kindergarten classes on campus.

The numbers at the ABC School look equally strong, with 352 students in pre-K through eighth grade, slightly up from last year. The 30 students in pre-K has meant adding another section of 10 students, she said, which will still leave open spaces for a lottery next year for

new students who wish to enter ABC as kindergartners.

The biggest change at the main campus has been combining the middle and high school students into a single, 25-minute lunch period and having all the students in the morning share breakfast at the same time, from 7:30-8 a.m., with HeadStart and pre-K students after that.

"That has gone better than any of us could even hope for," Bray said.

She said combining middle and high school students is necessary in order to have one consistent bell schedule, to accommodate those middle school students enrolled in high school Algebra 1.

"Student acceleration is what the state is pushing for," Bray said. "We have to get our eighth-graders to get high school credit, and being on the same bell schedule allows us to do that."

Both principals praised the efforts of their teachers in preparing for the school year and in accommodating changes. Franklin County School has 10 new teachers, and while the turnover is far fewer at ABC, the changes are mainly in the pre-K and kindergarten grades.

Another big change at the ABC campus is the new expanded parking lot, which now can accommodate 50 spaces. Johnson said the work was completed for about \$122,000 and was enabled by the district providing 5 percent of its capital outlay revenue to the school, similar to the amount in past years.

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# JOBLESS

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region was 6.0 percent in July, a half of 1 percentage point lower than the region's year ago rate of 6.5 percent in 2013, and 0.6 percentage point below the July 2014 statewide rate of 6.6 percent. Bay rose to 6.0 percent while Gulf climbed from 6.0 to 6.6 percent.

Out of a labor force of 106,805, there were 6,422 unemployed CareerSource Gulf Coast residents, according to the DEO.

"Across the region, our unemployment rate is still lower by one half of one percent over last July's numbers," said CareerSource Gulf Coast Executive Director Kim Bodine. "Some flatness comes from schools being closed. It's troubling, however, to see the Franklin County unemployment figure higher than it was a year ago. We are working on plans in that area to aid some of those affected by the fishery failure."

In July 2014, there were 75,800 non-agricultural jobs in the Panama City Lynn Haven Panama City Beach metro area, up 300 jobs over the year for an annual rate of job growth of 0.4 percent, while the state increased at a rate of 2.9 percent.

The Panama City Lynn Haven Panama City Beach metro area had the second highest annual job growth rates of all Florida metro areas in the information sector, up 10 percent, and professional and business services, up 9.9 percent. But it is the leisure/hospitality figure that continues to cause debate locally.

"We know by preliminary local accounts that we are seeing exceptionally strong tourism this summer," Bodine said. "We had the local chambers of commerce alerting us to a shortage of rooms for the July 4 weekend due to high traffic. We've seen bed tax collections and retail sales increase in all three counties. How did all of that happen with job loss?"

Tourism drop-off heightens with the "back-to-school" season, Bodine said, and CareerSource Gulf Coast can help those displaced from seasonal jobs find new opportunities locally. Recently, this region earned the top ranking in job placement percentage across the state.

Offices are operated in Bay, Gulf and Franklin counties, with the primary Job Center in Panama City at 625 Highway 231. Visit [www.careersourcegc.com](http://www.careersourcegc.com) to learn more about professional workforce development and job placement services.

# Project Impact Director Johnson retires

Special to the Times

After spending the last six years overseeing the City of Apalachicola Project Impact Program, director Faye Johnson said her goodbyes to staff and city officials at a retirement luncheon Aug. 14 in her honor inside the main building at the Mayor Van W. Johnson, Sr., Recreation & Community Service Complex.

The popular after-school and summer enrichment program is funded by a grant from the Florida Department of Education (FDOE) 21st Century Learning Centers Grant Program, which totaled roughly \$500,000 each of the last six years to the city to run the program. Early this year, the city was commended by the FDOE for operating a "flawless" program at its two sites, the ABC School and inside the Johnson Complex.

In his remarks, Apalachicola Mayor Van Johnson credited Johnson with the success of the program. "Your dedication and hard work towards the program's success reminds me of the Scripture about the wise



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Faye Johnson stands next to a wall plaque in her honor.

man that built his house upon a rock. When the rain descended, the floods came and the wind blew, but the house remained standing because it was built upon a solid foundation," he said.

The mayor said Johnson placed Project Impact "on a good and solid foundation. The partnerships you have established and the jobs you have created will be beneficial to the students, parents and the Apalachicola community for years to come," he said.

During the luncheon, Project Impact staff along with Cindy Summerhill, the city's grants manager, unveiled a 36-inch wall plaque in honor of Johnson's service, which will remain permanently affixed to the left wall leading to the stage.

Lt. Pam Lewis with the Apalachicola Police Department presented Johnson with a framed letter of appreciation from Police Chief Bobby Varnes and a framed certificate of appreciation from the Franklin County Student Working Against Tobacco program (SWAT). Partnerships established by the director during her tenure include a collaborative effort with the Apalachicola Municipal Library and the Apalachicola Maritime Museum.

Mayor Johnson also recounted how the program originated. "Project Impact as we know it today started with an early morning knock on my front door by an excited Faye Johnson ... excited with news that the Franklin County School District had an advertisement in the local newspaper soliciting bids for the operation of

Project Impact during the last year of the 21st Century Learning Centers grant cycle with the school district," he said.

"We met with city staff, and in about two hours or less, Faye had completed a complicated proposal for the city that was due in the district office by noon that day. The proposal was successful, and we operated the program for the school district that year, and as the year was ending, Faye reported that the city could apply for funding and operate Project Impact independent of the school district.

"We did, and for the last five years under Faye's direction, Project Impact has been highlighted, spotlighted and recognized by the FDOE and emulated by other 21st Century Learning Centers programs across the state," the mayor said.

Faye Johnson told the gathering the program has documented that Franklin County students have stepped through its doors more than 130,000 times to participate in activities ranging from field trips, boat-building and arts and crafts to performing live theatrical plays.

# Southerland: Corps has misinterpreted the law

By LOIS SWOBODA

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In a speech to Apalachicola Rotarians on Aug. 5, District 2 Representative Steve Southerland said the Army Corps of Engineers has consistently misinterpreted the Water Supply Act of 1958 in its management of Lake Lanier in Georgia. He said actions of the Corps have damaged the bay.

He said under the Water Resources Reform and Development Act passed this year, Congress can weigh in to bring an end to the water wars if the governors of Alabama, Florida and Georgia can't.

"Water is critical, and most



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Steve Southerland addresses the Apalachicola Rotary Club at the Seafood Grille Aug. 5

of you are aware of the challenges," Southerland said. "A lot of water is being wasted in southwest Georgia even while Florida does everything it can

to conserve because we appreciate water is precious. Now we have basis and standing in helping the Corps solve the issues that they have failed to

solve for many years. If we say we are pushing for a solution and it has to be a solution that will not upset Georgia, I think that's naive.

"Industries that are a part of this community are in my DNA. I understand how vital the oyster bars and navigation of the river are to the economy," he said.

He accused the Environmental Protection Agency of overregulation and said the recent Supreme Court decision limiting their power to regulate carbon emissions is a validation of what House Republicans have been saying for years.

"The EPA is stretching arms into every aspect of our life," he said.

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<p>33315T IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE: 2014-00036-CP</p> <p>IN RE: ESTATE OF HILDA JACOBS LUNSFORD a/k/a HILDA N. LUNSFORD, Deceased.</p> <p><b>NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION</b></p> <p>The administration of the Estate of HILDA JACOBS LUNSFORD a/k/a HILDA N. LUNSFORD, deceased, File Number 2014-00036-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 30, 2000. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's Attorney are set forth below. ALL INTERESTED PERSONS ARE NOTIFIED THAT:</p> <p>A surviving spouse seeking an elective share must file an election to take elective share within the time provided by law.</p> <p>All other creditors of the decedent and persons having claims or demands against the decedent's estate must file their claims with this Court WITHIN THREE MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.</p> <p>ALL CLAIMS, DEMANDS AND OBJECTIONS NOT SO FILED WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.</p> <p>The date of the first publication of this No-</p>	<p>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 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.</p> <p>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 WITHIN FORTY DAYS FROM THE DATE OF TERMINATION OF ANY PROCEEDING INVOLVING THE CONSTRUCTION, ADMINISTRATION TO PROBATE, OR VALIDITY OF THE WILL OR INVOLVING ANY OTHER MATTER AFFECTING ANY PART OF THE ESTATE SUBJECT TO SECTION 732.402, FLORIDA STATUTES.</p>	<p>tice is August 14, 2014.</p> <p>Personal Representative: Charles Gregory Lunsford 333 Rolling Ridge Road Rock Hill, SC 29730</p> <p>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 August 14, 21, 2014</p> <p>33321T IN THE CIRCUIT COURT IN AND FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA Case No.: 12-000214-CA</p> <p>BANK OF AMERICA, et al., Plaintiff,</p> <p>vs.</p> <p>ROYCE C. HODGE, et al., Defendants.</p> <p><b>NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE</b></p> <p>NOTICE is hereby given that the undersigned Clerk of the Circuit Court of Franklin County, Florida, will on the 3rd day of September, 2014, at 11AM, 2nd floor lobby of the Franklin County Courthouse in Apalachicola Florida, offer for sale and sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash, the following-described property situate in Franklin County, Florida:</p> <p>PARCEL 4, GULF PEARL ESTATES, AN UNRECORDED SUBDIVISION IN SECTION 23, TOWNSHIP 9 SOUTH, RANGE 6 WEST, FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA, ALSO KNOWN AS PARCEL 4 OF TRACT 17, EAST END, IN ST. GEORGE ISLAND, FLORIDA AND BEING</p>	<p>MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:</p> <p>COMMENCE AT THE MOST EASTERLY CORNER OF ST. GEORGE ISLAND BEACHES UNIT 2, A SUBDIVISION RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 2, PAGE 15, PUBLIC RECORDS OF SAID COUNTY; THENCE RUN ALONG THE EASTERLY BOUNDARY OF SAID UNIT 2 THE FOLLOWING THREE COURSES; NORTH 18°37'19" WEST, 150.00 FEET; SOUTH 71°22'41" WEST, 20.00 FEET; NORTH 18°37'19" WEST, 410.00 FEET TO THE CENTERLINE OF STATE ROAD NO. 300; THENCE RUN ALONG THE CENTERLINE OF SAID STATE ROAD NO. 300 THE FOLLOWING FIVE COURSES: NORTH 71°22'41" EAST, 416.81 FEET, ALONG THE ARC OF A CURVE TO THE RIGHT (RADIUS OF 5729.58 FEET, CHORD OF 599.03 FEET, CHORD BEARING OF NORTH 74°22'28" EAST) 599.31 FEET; NORTH 77°22'16" EAST, 2778.72 FEET; ALONG THE ARC OF A CURVE TO THE LEFT (RADIUS OF 5729.58 FEET, CHORD OF 934.07 FEET; CHORD BEARING NORTH 72°41'44" EAST) 935.11 FEET AND NORTH 68°01'12" EAST, 840.80 FEET; THENCE LEAVING SAID CENTERLINE RUN SOUTH 21°58'48" EAST, 152.60 FEET TO A RE-ROAD (MARKED #7160) MARKING THE POINT OF BEGINNING. 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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.</p> <p>Marcia M. Johnson CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT</p> <p>By: Michele Maxwell Deputy Clerk</p>	<p>ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF Alette Marie Charles Butler &amp; Hosch, P.A. 3185 S. Conway Rd., Ste. E Orlando, Florida 32812 (407) 381-5200 August 14, 21, 2014</p> <p>33353T <b>NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE BY CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT</b></p> <p>Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, MARCIA JOHNSON, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Franklin County, Florida, will on October 16, 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:</p> <p><b>Parcel 1</b></p> <p>LOTS 8 AND 9, BLOCK 12 (OLD BLOCK 23), KELLEY'S PLAT, ADDITION TO THE CITY OF CARRABELLE, FLORIDA, AS PER MAP OR PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 2, PAGE 20, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA.</p> <p><b>Parcel 2</b></p> <p>LOTS 12, 14 AND 16, BLOCK 18 (36) OF THE CITY OF CARRABELLE, FLORIDA, ACCORDING TO THE MAP OR PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 2, PAGE 20, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA.</p> <p><b>Parcel 3</b></p> <p>LOTS 13 AND 15,</p>	<p>BLOCK 36 (18), AND THE NORTH ONE-HALF (1/2) OF LOTS 10 AND 11, BLOCK 36 (18), OF THE CITY OF CARRABELLE, ACCORDING TO THE MAP OR PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 2, PAGE 20.</p> <p>pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure in a case pending in said Court, the style of which is:</p> <p>CENTENNIAL BANK, Plaintiff,</p> <p>vs.</p> <p>HARBRO DEVELOPMENT, LLC; Defendant.</p> <p>and the docket number of which is: 2014-CA-135.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>"If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the Office of Court Administration at (850) 577-4401, or at the Leon County Courthouse, Room 225, 301 S. Monroe Street, Tallahassee, FL 32301, 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."</p> <p>WITNESS my hand and the official seal of this Honorable Court this 5th day of August, 2014.</p>	<p>MARCIA JOHNSON CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA</p> <p>By: Terry Segree Deputy Clerk August 14, 21, 2014</p> <p>33389T IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION File Number: 2014-000032-CP</p> <p>IN RE: ESTATE OF JULIA LYNETTE ALLEN, Deceased.</p> <p><b>NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS</b></p> <p>The administration of the estate of Julia Lynette Allen, deceased, File Number 2014-000032-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 County, Florida 32320. The estate is testate, and the date of the will is November 5, 2010. 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:</p> <p>Any interested person on whom a copy of this notice of administration is served must file with</p>	<p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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</p>

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33415T IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA, CASE NO. 12000445CAAXMX Section:

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A. Plaintiff,

vs.

JANIE O. PETERS; ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER, AND AGAINST THE HEREIN NAMED INDIVIDUAL DEFENDANT (S) WHO ARE NOT KNOWN TO BE DEAD OR ALIVE, WHETHER SAID UNKNOWN PARTIES MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST AS SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS; GRAMERCY PLANTATION OWNERS ASSOCIATION INC., Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order of Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated July 29, 2014, entered in Civil Case No. 12000445CAAXMX of the Circuit Court of the Second Judicial Circuit in and for Franklin County, Florida, wherein the Clerk of the Circuit Court will sell to the highest bidder, for cash on the 24th day of September, 2014, at 11:00 a.m. at the 2nd Floor Lobby of the Franklin County Courthouse, 33 Market Street, Apalachicola, FL 32320, in accordance with Chapter 45 Florida Statutes, relative to the following described property as set forth in the Final Judgment, to wit:

Lot 16, Gramercy Plantation Phase 1, as recorded in Plat Book 7 at Pages 16, 17 and 18 of the Public Records of Franklin County, Florida

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

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.

Lot 37, Block "B", St. James Island Park, Unit No. 3, a subdivision as per map or plat thereof as recorded in plat book 2, page 6, 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.

Dated at APALACHICOLA, Florida this 30th day of July, 2014.

Marcia M. Johnson CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA

By: Michele Maxwell Deputy Clerk

MORRIS HARDWICK SCHNEIDER LLC, ATTORNEYS FOR PLAINTIFF 9409 Philadelphia Rd. Baltimore, MD 21237 August 14, 21, 2014

33483T IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA, PROBATE DIVISION File No. 14-CP-00049

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF MICHAEL LEE YOHEM Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of MICHAEL LEE YOHEM, deceased, whose date of death was July 7, 2014, is pending in the Circuit Court for Franklin County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 33 Market Street, Apalachicola, FL 32320. The names and address of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

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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 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 DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.

The date of first publication of this Notice is August 21, 2014.

Personal Representative JEAN ROSENOW 2784 Highway 98 East Carrabelle, FL 32322

Attorney for Personal Representative Steve M. Watkins, III FL Bar No.: 0794996 41 Commerce Street Apalachicola, FL 32320 (850)653-1949 August 21, 28, 2014

33507T IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA, CASE NO. 13 CA 354

FIRST COMMERCE CREDIT UNION, f/k/a FLORIDA COMMERCE CREDIT UNION, Plaintiff,

vs.

BONI B. GREGORY and DAVID ALAN GREGORY, SR., Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the final judgment of foreclosure entered on July 4, 2014, in Case No. 13 CA 354, of the Circuit Court of the Second Judicial Circuit for Franklin County, Florida, in which FIRST COMMERCE CREDIT UNION, f/k/a FLORIDA COMMERCE CREDIT UNION is plaintiff and BONI B. GREGORY and DAVID ALAN GREGORY, SR., are defendants, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, at the 2nd Floor Lobby of the Franklin County Courthouse, 33 Market Street, 2nd Floor, Apalachicola, Florida, in accordance with \$45.031 of the Florida Statutes, by sale beginning at 11:00 on the 10th day of September, 2014, the following described real property:

Lot 37, Block "B", St. James Island Park, Unit No. 3, a subdivision as per map or plat thereof as recorded in plat book 2, page 6, 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 seal of this Court on this 7th day of August, 2014.

MARCIA M. JOHNSON Clerk of Circuit Court

By: Terry Segree Deputy Clerk August 21, 28, 2014

95820T IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA, CASE NO.:19-2010 CA000391

THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON TRUST COMPANY, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FKA THE BANK OF NEW YORK TRUST COMPANY, NA SUCCESSOR TO JPMORGAN CHASE BANK NA, Plaintiff,

vs.

HARRISON ANDREWS; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF HARRISON ANDREWS N/K/A AMY BETH ANDREWS; CARRIE E ANDREWS; et al., Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that sale will be made pursuant to an Order of Final Summary Judgment. Final Judgment was awarded on May 14, 2013 in Civil Case No.

vs. ROBERT M. MALONE and wife, ETTA J. MALONE, a/k/a JEANETTE MALONE; UNKNOWN TENANT #1; and UNKNOWN TENANT #2, the names being fictitious to account for parties who may be in possession, Defendants.

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19-2010CA000391, of the Circuit Court of the SECOND Judicial Circuit in and for FRANKLIN County, Florida, wherein, THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON TRUST COMPANY, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FKA THE BANK OF NEW YORK TRUST COMPANY, NA SUCCESSOR TO JPMORGAN CHASE BANK NA is the Plaintiff, and HARRISON ANDREWS; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF HARRISON ANDREWS N/K/A AMY BETH ANDREWS; CARRIE E ANDREWS; GULF STATE COMMUNITY BANK; ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER AND AGAINST THE HEREIN NAMED INDIVIDUAL DEFENDANT(S) WHO ARE NOT KNOWN TO BE DEAD OR ALIVE, WHETHER SAID UNKNOWN PARTIES MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST AS SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS are Defendants.

NOTICE OF ACTION

TO: ROBERT M. MALONE, if alive,

and if deceased, his unknown heirs, devisees, grantees, creditors and all other parties claiming by, through, under, or against him; and all unknown spouses, natural persons if alive, and if dead or not known to be dead or alive, their several and respective unknown spouses, heirs, devisees, grantees, or creditors, or other parties claiming by, through, or under those unknown natural persons; and the several and respective unknown assigns, successors in interest, trustees, or any other person claiming by, through, under or against any corporation or other legal entity named as a defendant; and all claimants, persons or parties, natural or corporate, or whose exact legal status is unknown, claiming under any of the above named or described defendants or parties or claiming to have any right, title, or interest in or to the lands herein after described,

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose a mortgage on the following property:

COMMENCE AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SECTION 20, TOWNSHIP 8 SOUTH, RANGE 6 WEST, FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA AND RUN N. 2 DEGREES 20 MINUTES E. 1982.61 FEET ALONG THE EAST BOUNDARY OF SECTION 20 TO A POINT ON THE NORTHERLY BOUNDARY OF RIDGE ROAD; THENCE S. 63 DEGREES 44 MINUTES W. 332.58 FEET ALONG RIDGE ROAD TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE CONTINUE S. 63 DEGREES 44 MINUTES W. 114.36 FEET ALONG RIDGE ROAD TO A POINT; THENCE LEAVING SAID ROAD, RUN N. 26 DEGREES 16 MINUTES W. 381.0 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE N. 63 DEGREES 44 MINUTES E. 114.36 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE S. 26 DEGREES 16 MINUTES E. 381.0 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

BEING LOT 71, NORTH RIDGE ROAD, EASTPOINT, FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA, AS SHOWN ON THE UNRECORDED PLAT OF TARPON SHORES SUBDIVISION PREPARED BY TOM M. HOWARD, REGISTERED LAND SURVEYOR, DATED NOVEMBER 22, 1983.

TOGETHER WITH THAT CERTAIN 2005 SOUTHERN DOUBLE WIDE MOBILE HOME ID #DSDAL43564A and DSDAL43564B, TITLE #92392527 and 92392651.

TOGETHER WITH THAT CERTAIN 1975 MAGN MOBILE HOME, ID #20891, TITLE #13084675.

has been filed against you, and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Garth D. Bonney, Esq., whose address is Post Office Box 737, Panama City, Florida 32402, on or before September 30, 2014, and file the original with the clerk of this court either before service on plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter, otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Amended Complaint.

DATED this 14th day of August, 2014.

MARCIA M. JOHNSON Clerk of Circuit Court

By: Terry C. Segree Deputy Clerk August 21, 28, 2014

WITNESS my hand and the seal of the court on July 30, 2013.

Marcia Johnson Clerk of the Court

Michele Maxwell Deputy Clerk

Aldridge Connors, LLP Attorney for Plaintiff(s) 1615 South Congress Ave., Suite 200 Delray Beach, FL 33445 Phone: 561.392.6391 Fax: 561.392.6965 File No.: 1113-1203

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LEGAL ADVERTISING 1100

95822T IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA, PROBATE DIVISION File No. 14-33-CP

NOTICE OF CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of Margaret R. Juppe, deceased, whose date of death was March 13, 2014, is pending in the Circuit Court for Franklin County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 33 Market Street, #203, Apalachicola, FL 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 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

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The date of first publication of this Notice is August 21, 2014.

Personal Representative STEVE M. WATKINS, III FL Bar No.: 0794996 41 Commerce Street Apalachicola, FL 32320 (850)653-1949 August 21, 28, 2014

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Witness My Hand and seal of this Court on this 7th day of August, 2014.

MARCIA M. JOHNSON Clerk of Circuit Court

By: Terry C. Segree Deputy Clerk August 21, 28, 2014

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YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose a mortgage on the following property:

COMMENCE AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF FRACTIONAL SECTION 29, TOWNSHIP 8 SOUTH, RANGE 6 WEST, FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA AND RUN SOUTH 00 DEGREES 46 MINUTES 55 SECONDS WEST 594.0 FEET ALONG THE WEST BOUNDARY OF FRACTIONAL SECTION 29 TO A POINT ON THE NORTH SIDE OF TWIN LAKES ROAD; THENCE ALONG A CURVE CONVALE TO THE SOUTH, HAVING A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 87 DEGREES 50 MINUTES 56 SECONDS AND A RADIUS OF 313.61 FEET AN ARC DISTANCE OF 480.85 FEET ALONG SAID ROAD TO A POINT ON THE EAST SIDE OF OTTER SLIDE ROAD; THENCE SOUTH 01 DEGREES 40 MINUTES 54 SECONDS EAST 188.45 FEET ALONG SAID ROAD TO A POINT AT THE INTERSECTION OF THE EAST SIDE OF OTTER SLIDE ROAD AND THE SOUTH SIDE OF RIDGE ROAD; THENCE NORTH 69 DEGREES 56 MINUTES EAST 1880.71 FEET ALONG THE SOUTH SIDE OF RIDGE ROAD, HAVING A 60.0 WIDE RIGHT-OF-WAY, TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE CONTINUE NORTH 69 DEGREES 56 MINUTES EAST 138.29 FEET ALONG SAID ROAD TO A POINT; THENCE SOUTH 20 DEGREES 04 MINUTES EAST 315.0 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE SOUTH 69 DEGREES 56 MINUTES WEST 138.29 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE NORTH 20 DEGREES 04 MINUTES WEST 315.0 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

BEING LOT 29, UNIT 2, TARPON SHORES SUBDIVISION ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF ON FILE IN THE FRANKLIN COUNTY PLANNING AND ZONING OFFICE, COMMERCE STREET, APALACHICOLA, FLORIDA.

TOGETHER WITH THE 1993 AMERICAN GENERAL MOBILE HOME GMHGA132927079A AND GMHGA132927079B

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DATED this 14th day of August, 2014.

MARCIA M. JOHNSON Clerk of Circuit Court

By: Terry C. Segree Deputy Clerk August 21, 28, 2014

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Michele Maxwell Deputy Clerk

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The date of first publication of this notice is August 21, 2014.

Attorney for Personal Representative: John O. Williams Attorney FL Bar No.: 320420 Williams & Holz, PA. 211 East Virginia Street Tallahassee, FL 32301 Phone: (850) 224-4510 E-Mail: jwilli7012@aol.com

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT DAVID T. ETHRIDGE, the holder of the following Tax Certificate, has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate No. 1183

Year of Issuance: 2008

Description of Property: Lot 1 Block 120 City of Apalachicola

PARCEL NO: 01-09s-08w- 8330-0120-0010

Name in which assessed: Virginia Robertson

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the Courthouse door on the FIRST (2nd) Monday in the month of SEPTEMBER 2014, which is the 8th day of SEPTEMBER 2014 at 11:00 a.m.

Dated this 22nd day of JULY 2014.

MARCIA M. JOHNSON CLERK OF COURTS FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA

By: Cassie B. Sapp Deputy Clerk July 31, August 7, 14, 21, 2014

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GUN SHOW PENSACOLA FAIRGROUNDS August 23rd & 24th SAT. 9-5 & SUN. 10-4 FREE PARKING Info: (407) 275-7233 floridaGUNshows.com Text FL97098 to 56654

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Food Svcs/Hospitality Servers Bartenders Cooks Dishwashers Bussers BLUE PARROT NOW HIRING Please apply in person between 9a-5pm 7 days a week @ Blue Parrot St. George's Island Web Id 34295873

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Wilson Casey  
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- 1) What's the chess scenario where all possible moves are to the player's disadvantage?  
Stalemate, Castling, Zugzwang, Shankend
- 2) What was Mary

**Ann's last name on older TV's "Gilligan's Island"?**

Howell, Grumby, Grant, Summers

**3) Where did the card game of Canasta originate in the 1940s?**

Uruguay, Pakistan, Wales, Canada

**4) Which state has the smallest amount of universities?**

Rhode Island, Delaware, Wyoming, Alaska

**5) What is the traditional dish with roast possum?**

Greens, Okra, Yams, Peaches

**6) Where are the Iron Ranges?**

Pensylvania, Minnesota,

California, Colorado

**7) Statistically which of these has the "highest percentage of winning" as the home team?**

Soccer, Basketball, Football, Baseball

**8) What did the Hawaiian Pineapple Company change its name to in 1960?**

Caliman, Naisa, Pratt, Dole

**9) Who got his first big break filling in for an injured Red Skelton?**

Abbott, Philbin, Carson, Berle

**10) How is a "talent" school described that lures students with**

**special gifts?**

Glue, Magnet, Hook, Harvest

**11) As located in Pennsylvania what's the world's largest mushroom farm?**

Green Head, Creek, Piedmont, Moonlight

**12) Where is the "Cave of the Wind"?**

S. Dakota, W. Virginia, Utah, Montana

**13) Who married Shakira Baksh after seeing her in a coffee commercial?**

Michael Caine, Robert Duvall, Clint Eastwood, Paul Newman

**14) From what university's football team did Gatorade**

**gets its name?**

Auburn, Tennessee, Florida, Alabama

**15) Biblical - Is the book of Shemaiah in the Old or New Testament or neither?**

Blessed/River, Scorn/Tolerance, Day/Night, Beauty/Bands

**17) A loan to another Israelite that is poor by thee shall be made at?**

No payback, Zero interest, The temple, A fast

**18) How old was Eli when he died falling off his seat backward breaking his neck?**

16, 98, 120, 201

**19) Saith the Lord to Zechariah what shall Jerusalem be called a city of?**

Truth, Holiness, Reign, Hosts

**20) Who anointed David as king of Israel?**

Saul, Salome, Samuel, Sargon

**ANSWERS**

- 1) Zugzwang. 2) Summers. 3) Uruguay. 4) Wyoming. 5) Yams. 6) Minnesota. 7) Soccer. 8) Dole. 9) Carson. 10) Magnet. 11) Moonlight. 12) S. Dakota. 13) Michael Caine. 14) Florida. 15) Neither. 16) Beauty/Bands. 17) Zero interest. 18) 98. 19) Truth. 20) Samuel.

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This custom designed home in the prestigious Magnolia Bay gated community. Sunroom, screened & open porches, hot tub off MBR suite, large master tiled bath w/ open shower and garden tub, detached garage, gas fireplace, granite countertops, stainless kitchen, wine cooler, built-in corner cabinets. Amenities include community dock, pool, tennis courts. Main living area & master on 1st floor w/guestrooms upstairs for privacy w/ private porch.

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

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