



OUT TO SEE

Florida Seafood Festival Schedule of Events

Thursday, Nov. 1

9 a.m. to 5 p.m. – Vendor Setup – Park only open to vendors
6 to 11 p.m. – Carnival Midway open to public access through Water Street gate entry. All other parts of The Florida Seafood Festival will not be open until 10 a.m.
Friday

Friday, Nov. 2

10 a.m. - Park Opens (No admission charge), Booths Open
2:30 p.m. - Pam Nobles Studio dancers
3 to 7:45 p.m. - Christian Musical Entertainment
4 p.m. - Blessing of the Fleet
4:15 p.m. - Arrival of King Retsyo & Miss Florida Seafood
4:30 p.m. - Opening Ceremonies (Information Booth)
8:30 p.m. - LaRue Howard, Christian entertainment headliner
10:30 pm - Park Closes

Saturday, Nov. 3

7 a.m. - Registration for Redfish Run (Front Steps of Gibson Inn)
8 a.m. - Start of Redfish Run
10 a.m. - Gates Open (\$5 admission, children under 12 free)
10 a.m. - Parade Starts (East on U.S. 98 into downtown)
1 to 5 p.m. - Blue Crab Races (At the top of each hour, children under 12)
1 p.m. - Oyster Shucking Contest
1:15 p.m. - Oyster Eating Contest
3 to 7 p.m. - Musical Entertainment
8:30 p.m. - Maddie & Tae, headliner entertainers
11 p.m. - Park Closes

Seafood Festival to lift county spirits

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The Florida Seafood Festival, which in 54 years has grown to become the state's largest maritime festival, will be here this weekend for the 55th one.

John Solomon, president of the non-profit festival's board, is confident the festival will give a much-needed boost to the county economy and a lift to a beleaguered Panhandle's spirits. "Many people questioned whether we'd be able to have a seafood festival," said Solomon.

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Maddie & Tae

Country duo promises 'a little light'

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Maddie and Tae are promising to give the community a night to remember Saturday as they headline the Seafood Festival.

It certainly will give their hit song "After the Storm Blows Through" a poignant meaning. The 23-year-old duo, of Madison Marlow and Taylor Dye, now soaring on the charts, know

what it's like to deal with hurricanes, as their loved ones went through Hurricane Harvey last year.

"All of my family did experience Harvey, but thank God when nothing too bad happens," said Maddie, who is from Sugar Land, Texas, and who sings lead vocals, and plays guitar and mandolin. "I have friends who were devastated, who are just now getting back to normal," she said.

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It's Election Day Tuesday!

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It looks like it's going to be a big turnout for the election.

Already, 1,079 vote by mail ballots have been received, with early voting totaling 849 as of end of day Tuesday. "We haven't had any issues," said



Allen



Boldt



Martin



Nobles



Parrish



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Watson



Wesson

Supervisor of Election Heather Riley. The early voting now runs every day, from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the two supervisor of elections offices, in Apalachicola and Carrabelle, up through and including Monday, Nov. 5.

At those offices, they're using the new direct print systems, which print out ballots directly from the voter screen. "We don't have to tear it off anymore," said Riley, "But it's just for early voting."

Vote by mail ballots must be returned to the elections office by 7 p.m. election day this Tuesday. All polling places are the same as in past county elections. The local battles are for county tax collector, which pits Republican Rick Watson, 71, of 1412 Elm Court on St. George Island, against Democrat Teresa Ann Martin,

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Triumph to fund technical centers

Special to the Times

On Oct. 23, at Warriors Hall Community Center, in Crestview, the board of Triumph Gulf Coast, Inc. approved the Franklin County School District's proposed project for the Franklin Environmental, Career and Technical Training Center was approved.

The district is seeking \$2.33 million from Triumph for this project.

"The staff of the Franklin County School District Office in partnership with staff of the Apalachicola Bay Charter School have worked diligently to secure this vital funding for Franklin County," said Superintendent Traci Moses.

"This is a huge win for our



county. The long-term positive impacts for our students, families and community are life-changing," she said. "We are educating our students and preparing them for a future, whether that be on to a four-year university or straight into the work-force.

"It is also a way to help our adult population earn industry certifications. All of this

will lead to a more highly qualified workforce, and yield strong dividends for economic development and growth for Franklin County, for years to come," she said.

The school board will partner with Lively Technical Center to hire teachers and provide curriculum materials, and to partner with Apalachicola Bay Charter School to ensure uniformity in curriculum and training materials across the county.

The project will have three areas of focus, the first of which will include curriculum and materials for elementary and middle grade students to earn CAPE certificates as well as materials needed to support the Medical Academy and its students as they earn multiple certifications

preparing them for an array of careers in the medical field.

The second focus will include constructing and equipping a welding facility on the grounds of the Franklin County School located at 1250 U.S. Highway 98, Eastpoint.

The third focus will include constructing and equipping a computer laboratory on the grounds of the Apalachicola Bay Charter School located at 98 12th Street, Apalachicola.

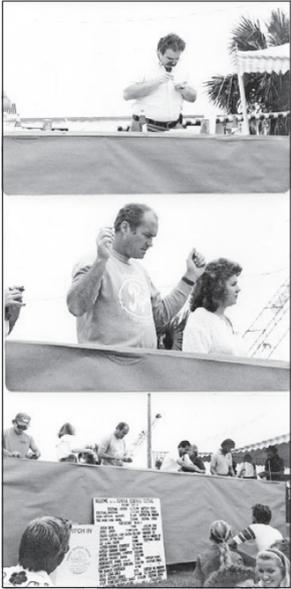
The district's goal is to have 25 percent of the eligible students earn CAPE industry certifications by the 2020-2021 school year. The project proposes to result in 777 CAPE industry certifications over a 3.5 year period.

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CHASING SHADOWS

A look back



Do you know who these shuckers are from the 1964 seafood festival? [PHOTO COURTESY OF MARGARET KEY APALACHICOLA LIBRARY]



Do you know who these men are from the 1964 seafood festival? [PHOTO COURTESY OF MARGARET KEY APALACHICOLA LIBRARY]



Oyster shucking at Burnell Martina's booth 50 years ago. Do you know who this woman is? [STATE ARCHIVES OF FLORIDA]



Do you know who these ladies are from the 1964 seafood festival? [PHOTO COURTESY OF MARGARET KEY APALACHICOLA LIBRARY]

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SEAHAWK ARTS



Odin Joyner

Back in September, prior to Hurricane Michael, Seahawk Arts students commemorated International Dot Day, a global celebration of creativity, with a spontaneous, open-ended assignment to stimulate their creative thinking skills.

International Dot Day, Sept. 15, is named for the Peter H. Reynolds storybook "The Dot," about a reluctant art student who is challenged by her teacher to "make a mark and see where it takes you."

Elementary students were given drawing paper with a foam circle affixed in a random location and instructed to create a drawing to incorporate the shape, or "dot" into their composition. The creative task was used to informally assess students' originality, fluency and elaboration of ideas, and have fun! During the critiquing process, students were amazed at the variety of artistic and original composition of their peers.

Fourth-grade student Odin Joyner incorporated his "dot"



Odin Joyner



into a scene with a locomotive riding along the railroad tracks under the moonlight.

Scan the Seahawk QR Code to hear Odin's artistic statement of his work of art titled, "Night Station."

ARREST REPORT

The following report is provided by the Franklin County Sheriff's Office. Arrests listed this week 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.

Oct. 19

Marcela Westmoreland, 29, Apalachicola, battery; released on own recognizance (FCSO)

Oct. 23

Robert S. Parks, 34, Apalachicola, possession of methamphetamine with

intent to sell, manufacture or deliver, possession of cocaine with intent to sell, manufacture or deliver, possession of a legend drug without a prescription, possession of marijuana with intent to sell, possession with purchase of Schedule III or IV drugs, possession of drug paraphernalia; \$126,000 bond (FCSO)

Oct. 24

Jessica Karen Ard, 34, Eastpoint, writ of attachment for child support; \$500 bond (FCSO)

Oct. 26

Katrina Michelle Aikens, 40, Apalachicola, domestic

battery; released on own recognizance (APD)

Derek Stulsky, 35, Eastpoint, violation of probation; held without bond (FCSO)

Joshua James Schoelles, 28, Apalachicola, failure to appear; released on own recognizance (FCSO)

Oct. 27

Tyler Dale Lacaze, 23, Pitkin, Louisiana, battery, disorderly intoxication, criminal mischief - property damage under \$200; \$1,000 bond (FCSO)

John Hardy Golden, 59, Eastpoint, battery, larceny - theft over \$300 and less than \$5,000; \$2,000 bond (FCSO)

NEWS BRIEFS

Trinity Episcopal Church to hold All Souls service

Trinity Episcopal Church will conduct an All Souls Service on Thursday, Nov. 1 at 5:30 p.m.

The special service is to remember the members and victims of the shooting at Tree of Life synagogue in Pittsburgh.

The entire community is welcome to attend the service, which will be conducted by the Rev. Donna Gerald.

Book sale to be held at library Saturday

Stock up on good reads at the Apalachicola Margaret Key Library book sale this Saturday, Nov. 3, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the old library building at 74 6th St.

"The library book sale is a traditional part of Seafood Festival weekend," said Jill Rourke, library director. "It's

grown so big that we will host it in the old library for the second year in a row."

She said browsing in air conditioning will offer a respite for both volunteers and buyers.

Books will be sold for \$5 per bag. All money raised will be used to purchase new books for the library. "This is a great way for us to recycle our materials. There are some really great treasures, most of them donated to the library just for this sale," said Rourke.

The book sale is manned by PALS, the volunteer fundraising group for the library. "PALS works really hard on this sale, sifting and sorting books and other materials. Books in bulk can be heavy so they get quite a workout before this and the May sale," said Rourke.

The sale includes print fiction and non-fiction items, books on CD and MP3, and old record albums for vinyl buffs.

Save Our Shotguns to sell new home

Save Our Shotguns, Apalachicola's non-profit, all-volunteer organization dedicated to preserving historic structures and creating low-to-moderate income housing, is offering, for purchase, its first energy-efficient, new shotgun-style recreation.

Thanks to financial support from the City's community, someone will soon occupy this beautiful two-bedroom house at 151 13th Street (Willie B. Speed Blvd.).

Recently appraised at \$180,000, the house is being offered for \$125,000.

The names of those who qualify for a mortgage will be entered into a drawing to be held at the house on Friday, Dec. 14 at 1 p.m.

For information, go to saveourshotguns.org.



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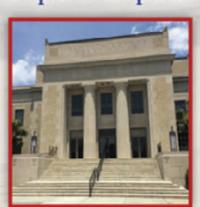
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OPINION

ARBOR OUTLOOK

Creating tax law that reflects the American spirit



Margaret McDowell

**"Don't give up
You've got a reason to live;
Can't forget
We only get what we give."**

From "You Get What You Give" as performed by The New Radicals

In the aftermath of Hurricane Michael, dozens of volunteer contractors, laborers and concerned citizens converge on affected areas in and around Panama City each day. They donate money and supplies, chainsaw trees and pull limbs from homes, haul away debris and carry water and gas to grateful residents.

Many of us like to help others when we can. That is why one change in the new tax law may deserve some scrutiny. The new \$24,000 standard deduction (for married filing jointly taxpayers) might cause some taxpayers to be less charitable going forward.

Let's say you traditionally itemize and you claim \$10,000 in home mortgage interest and \$5,000 in medical expenses. And let's also presume that you gave \$5,000 to your favorite charities. That's a total of \$20,000 in itemized deductions. As of this year, you're better off taking the standard \$24,000 deduction and no longer itemizing at all. And this would be true whether you gave \$5,000 to charities or not. Speaking purely from a taxation perspective, we may see fewer Americans giving to charitable causes, as more taxpayers will simply take the standard deduction. Call it an unintended consequence of the new tax laws.

Say you're in a 24 percent tax bracket, are filing jointly and your combined income is between \$165,000 and \$315,000. And let's just say you had a combined \$15,000 in itemized deductions. Your taxable income will not be affected by your charitable contributions unless you donate over \$9,000.

Admittedly, tax planning and preparation can be trickier for higher net worth taxpayers and we suggest that readers should always rely on their tax professional for personal advice. So while there is some fear that the average American may cut back on charitable contributions, many will still give generously to church coffers and to other charitable causes, even without the tax break. Americans are big-hearted in this regard. But many might be more inclined to give if their taxable income was also lowered by virtue of their charitable contributions.

It makes sense for our laws to reward American taxpayers for their altruism. These charitable contributions make for better, safer communities; they support causes that relieve suffering and promote high ideals; they assist churches and schools and other organizations which enhance the quality of life for all of us. Thus, if we can create tax laws that dovetail with the generous spirit harbored by many Americans, we'll be doing ourselves a service.

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GUEST COLUMN

Home is the sailor, home from the sea



Gill Autrey

I keep "Lily" moored at Rivercrest, about two miles north of Apalachicola near the end of Scipio Creek, a safe harbor. I like to launch from there on Capt. Gill's River Cruises. For one thing, there is as a beautiful Lodge with a ladies room. See, some folks have driven 30 minutes or so from St. George Island after drinking coffee all morning. My two-hour cruises are non-stop. On the three-hour ones, I stop at Bay City Lodge. Most folks have never heard of the place so that makes a nice break and, oh yes, accommodations are there. (Not that the captain is such a gentleman, as I'm often told, but two hours is about his limit.)

Then, right next to Rivercrest is the biggest eagles' nest I have ever seen, so in 10 minutes they have already seen something spectacular. The eagles are only here in the winter. Last season the nest was occupied by golden eagles, very rare and not supposed to be here. My friend, Wood Duck, told me he has seen some on St. Vincent's Island. They want you to report sighting them, but after careful consideration, I decided, "You know what? I think I'll leave them alone, they're not bothering me." So, since I didn't tell anybody, don't tell anybody I told you. At first I thought they were immature bald eagles, since they don't have a white head until 2 years of age. Well, I got out my binoculars and thought, "There ain't nothing immature about these things."

So, off we go down the creek to Turtle Harbor to see some Indian mounds dating back 2,000 years. A lot of times folks ask me what Apalachicola means, to which I reply, "Land where smart man from Georgia lives." By the way cola means "people."

But about halfway between the eagles and the Indian mounds is a beautiful sailboat built by Randy Mims; it took him 10 years. Randy sails it all the way around Florida and up



The scene from the Ideath

**"It matters not how straight
the gate,
How charged with punishment
the scroll,
I am the master of my fate,
I am the captain of my soul."**

from Invictus by Ernest Henley

the east coast by himself, in the ocean. Twenty-eight feet isn't big enough to be out in the ocean. I like to be where if my boat sinks, I can stand up. That's as far as I'm going.

So, the name of Randy's vessel is "Ideath", which always arouses questions. I tell folks, "It means 'his iPhone won't work.'" But, as Randy explains to me it's a mystical place in a book he once read, "In Watermelon Sugar," by Richard Brautigan. According to Randy, you can pronounce it "idea-th," or an idea to an infinite power. Or, in a religious sense, only through the death of one's ego can God's love truly shine through to everyone you meet. I think that is a very lovely thought; of those of who know me, you know that is way over my intellectual level. They tell me Randy's really smart though, they say he reads books without any pictures in them, but I think that must be a rumor.

Now, Randy is a Renaissance man, musician, choir leader at Trinity Episcopal Church and craftsman of fine jewelry. Every

time there's a storm he checks with me because he anchors "Ideath" across the creek and blocks it. I always pull "Lily" out so it's no problem. He said, "I sure wish I knew which direction the wind is going to be blowing so I can anchor into the wind." I wondered how is the world will he do that. Well, here's how in his own words, one of the most remarkable stories ever told.

Dear Friends,

I am sure that by now many of you must think that I have sailed of the edge of the world or that "Ideath" sank and there was no one to send out an update. While it is true that I have not been on a long voyage in what seems like forever, I have been here in Apalachicola playing music, making jewelry, and sailing one day about every week and doing all kinds for projects on "Ideath." Last Sunday I was telling my friends that after four months I had finally completed the project of replacing every piece of rigging on the boat. I have lost track of how many splices and line end whippings I have made. I listen to the NOAA weather radio every morning. At first they were saying that a tropical storm that could become a minimal hurricane was headed up here to the Panhandle of Florida. Tropical storms and even Cat 1s don't pose much of a problem for "Ideath" safely nestled three miles up a marsh creek. She has weathered many

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

'We are so very grateful'

It is incredibly difficult to be away from family, friends and home when a disaster strikes. I know and understand that this October, on a sadly personal basis.

But to watch the thousands of linemen, trucks, service workers and dispatchers give up their own homes, family and personal tragedies to show up where they are needed most to do their jobs at their highest and best efforts cannot be measured with a simple "Thanks." Sometimes, even the most heartfelt words although sincerely meant, are simply not enough.

Emergency workers, Guardsmen, medical professionals, those who cook, those who serve, those who lead, those who fetch and carry and deliver

and scrub and pray have all been stretched to their limits in our counties. But they rinse their salty clothes in a bucket and head back out again for more incredibly hard duty because that is what friends and neighbors can do for each other in such times.

"Are you ok?"

"Have you heard from your mama?"

"Your folks all right?"

"Do you need ice, dog food, diapers, a joke for the day, a shovel, a hug, a prayer?"

In our country's time of sadly divisive local, state and national controversies, Republicans, Democrats, independents, and even those who fail to vote have come together to help each other in our Panhandle. They have

come from counties and states far away to help return the basic necessities of life to those who may never again be able to take them for granted. It is such tragedy that reminds us we truly cannot survive without each other.

So "thank you" to all who deserve our gratitude and appreciation. From near and far, we are so very grateful. There are few better gifts offered and given than those from one person to another.

Some lives may never again return to what was "normal." But a heartfelt "thank you" to all who helped make our lives possible again.

Gratefully for always,

Mel Kelly, Carrabelle

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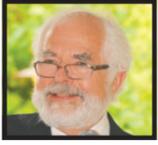
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THE SECRET LIVES OF WORDS

Hurricane Michael and the shape of water



Rick LaFleur

The shape of water? It has none, despite the title of that 2017 reptilian sci-fi film (or the unrelated 1994 novel by Andrea Camilleri "La forma dell'acqua"). Water is the chameleon of the inorganic world. Like those mutable reptiles I fostered as a kid, feeding them pet-store mealy worms in their habitat between my bedroom window and screen and watching them proudly puff out their dewlaps and change color to match their perch, water shifts its form to that of its container.

I'm one of those containers, and so are you. Nearly 70 percent of each of us is water; it was even more than that when we were born. About the same percentage of the earth's surface is covered by the life-sustaining fluid, which likewise was more when the earth herself was born, entirely shrouded by dark waters, as Genesis depicts, until her third day. NASA scientists search for water as the sure sign of the potential for life on other planets.

No wonder the ancients regarded it, along with earth (Latin *terra*, as in *TERRain*), air (*aer*, source of *AERial*), fire (*ignis*, which gives us *IGNeous* and *IGNite*), and the immutable cosmic *ETHER* (*aether*, like matters *ETHEReal*), as one of the five basic elements making up the universe. The

pre-Socratic philosopher Thales in fact theorized that water was the one prime substance from which all else is made. The Greek word for water, *hudor*, is source of English *HYDRate*/*HYDRauleic*/*HYDRoplane* and related to the Romans' word for "sweat," *sudor*, the water our bodies *eXUDe*.

The Latin water word, *aqua*, gives us *AQUatic*, *AQUarium*, *AQUeduct* (a water *conDUCTor*, from *ducere/ductum*, "to lead"), *AQUifer*, and, via a circuitous routing through French, *seWER*, a conduit for flowing water. "Whiskey" derives from Gaelic *uisge beatha*, a creative borrowing from Latin *aqua vitae*, both phrases meaning "water of life." The stone *AQUaMARine* is so called for its blue-green hue, the color of mare/the sea.

Romans called the Mediterranean *mare nostrum*, "our sea," as their empire at its greatest extent completely surrounded it. At one time the ancients envisioned a vast body of water they called *Oceanus*/*OCEAN*, encircling all the earth's continents and mythologized as one of the primordial gods known as Titans. Son of *Uranus*/*Heaven* and *Ge*/(*Mother Earth* (as in *GEography*/*GEology*)), *Oceanus* was in turn, by his sister-wife *Tethys*, father of the *Potamoi*, 3,000 sons who became gods of the earth's rivers (*hippoPOTAMus* means literally "river-horse"), as well as the *Oceanids*, 3,000 water nymphs who similarly presided over and resided in the earth's *FOUNTains* (Lat. *fons/fontis*), lakes



Neptune, Antoine Coysevox (1640-1720); Louvre, Paris, France. [NEUCEU | WIKIMEDIA COMMONS]

(*lacus*, related to *LAGoon*), and streams (*rivus*, source of *RIVUlet*, *deRIVE*, to "stream down from," and even *RIVAL*, in origin one with whom you shared use of a stream or, in later usage, someone in competition for a romantic interest).

The Romans' word for river was *flumen*, which meant literally water that "flows," from the verb *fluere/fluctum*. English *deRIVatives* include *FLUId*, *conFLUence* (a point at which things flow "together," as in *CONnect*, "to weave together"), *efFLUent* (with the Lat. prefix *ex/ef-*, meaning something that flows "out"/*EXits*), and *inFLUence* (with Lat. *in-*, some force that flows "into/onto" you). An *afFLUENT* person is one toward (*ad/af-*) whom resources and opportunity have flowed; something *superFLUous* flows above and beyond (Lat. *super-*, Greek *hyper-*) what is needed—like the *SUPERsizing* *McDonalds* foisted on us years ago.

Rome itself, like *Apalachicola*, was deliberately founded on the banks of a river, the *Tiber*, a resource

essential to both towns' settlers for transport and as a source of fresh water. The *Tiber's* chief deity was *Tiberinus*, one of the *Potamoi*. Legend credited him with aiding the Trojan prince *Aeneas* upon his arrival in Italy and, centuries later, with rescuing the abandoned infants *Romulus* and *Remus* and entrusting them to the care of a she-wolf, who nursed them in place of her own cubs.

But the *Tiber*, like all bodies of water, could bring harm as well as good. Accordingly *Tiberinus*, "Father *Tiber*" as he was sometimes called, was worshipped every year at a festival on Dec. 8. Likewise the sea-god *Neptune*, Roman counterpart to the Greek *Poseidon*, was honored and placated at the *Neptunalia* in July by worshippers hoping to profit from the Mediterranean's bounty and avoid its wrath. *Neptune* was lord not only of the sea, but of the power of the earth's waters, of flooding, and earthquake. *Jupiter*/*Zeus* too was a weather god, lord of the sky, of lightning, gatherer of clouds - the "Thunderer" and "Bringer of Rain" the Romans called him in this aspect, praying to avert both drought and flood. *Aeolus* was god of windstorms, imagined by *Vergil* as wild horses confined in their stalls beneath the sea, roaring ferociously to escape and wreak destruction - like *Michael*, who lately galloped madly onto our *Panhandle*.

The ancients wisely revered and feared the force of nature; they were subject, as we are today, to the mutability of climate,

but, unlike too many of us, they by no means denied it. The *Great Flood* and the legend of the lost island of *Atlantis*, its total submergence known first from *Plato*, share one reality in common: that we are subject to water's determination to shape itself, to the formidable might of rising rivers and seas.

As you next sip at your glass of sweet water, "watch what feeds you run dangerous," as the poet *Geoffrey Davis* cautions, "the Biblical possibility of nurture rising into a final rage." We have the capability to escape being cast "into the waves" (the meaning of *inUNDation* from Lat. *unda*/wave), if we can but hold back the rising tide of ignorance, the enticing temptation to view news that displeases us as "fake," and the brutish denial of the validity of science (whose Latin source means "knowing," not merely conjecture) that plunged the post-Roman western world into its last, centuries-long *Dark Age*.

Rick LaFleur is retired from 40 years of teaching Latin language and literature at the University of Georgia, which during his tenure came to have the largest Latin enrollment of all of the nation's colleges and universities. His latest book is "Ubi Fera Sunt," a lively, lovingly wrought translation into classical Latin of Maurice Sendak's classic, "Where the Wild Things Are," ranked first on TIME magazine's 2015 list of the top 100 children's books of all time. Rick and his wife Alice live part of the year in Apalachicola, under the careful watch of their French bulldog Ipsa.

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IMPORTANT NOTICE 2018 FRANKLIN COUNTY TAX BILLS WILL BE MAILED ON NOVEMBER 9, 2018

Tax Collector Richard Watson is very sensitive to the needs of Franklin County citizens affected by the recent hurricane. Unfortunately, state law still requires the tax collector to collect 2018 property taxes. Mailing of the 2018 tax bills will be delayed until November 9, 2018.

Property taxes are payable anytime before March 31, 2019. There is no penalty for late payment until after March 31, 2019; and you do receive a discount if you pay early. The 4% discount for payment of taxes will be through December 10, 2018. The discounts for the rest of December will be 3%; for January, 2019 will be 2% and for February, 2019 1%.

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Richard Watson
Tax Collector

IMPORTANT: If your home, storage building, shed or commercial building was damaged or destroyed due to the hurricane, please remember to contact the Franklin County Property Appraiser at (850) 653-9236 so your assessment can be adjusted for next year (2019,) if you qualify.

Pursuant to F.S. 197.322

FESTIVAL

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"The board decided early on that if it was physically possible to hold the 55th annual Florida Seafood Festival, we would proceed forward.

"At day five after the hurricane, it was very evident that with the help from the city, county, state and Duke Energy, that Battery Park would be able to host the festival," he said. "The decision was based on the original reason that we have the seafood festival, to boost the economy of Franklin County and to attract visitors to our area.

"The volunteer board of directors, who all have dealt with some sort of adversity from the hurricane, whether it was damage to homes and property, or businesses, decided it was a must to help this community back on its feet," said Solomon.

"Everything that you expect from the Florida Seafood Festival will still be there this year," he said.

As an early treat, on Thursday from 6 to 11 p.m. the ride area only will be open, with the entrance at the Water Street gate.

The traditional opening of the festival at 4 p.m. Friday will again be the Blessing of the Fleet, led by the Buddy Boys shrimp boat from 13-Mile Seafood. Arriving aboard the shrimp boat will be the 2018 Miss Florida Seafood Festival; Beyla Walker, and King Retsyo Demetrice Cummings, a longtime seafood house worker. People are invited to come by the Andrus Dock area to view the blessing ceremony.

Following that Apalachicola Mayor Van Johnson and Solomon will host a welcoming ceremony at the information booth in Battery Park.

Admission is free on Friday, and there the park will be filled with the

usual assortment of arts and crafts booths, food booths, and non-profit organizations, which this year will include school classes, churches, and sports teams, including organizations from Gulf County.

Local churches will perform musical entertainment Friday, followed by Dove Award winner LaRue Howard takes the stage at 8:30 p.m. The event closes Friday at 11 p.m.

Registration for the Redfish Run 5K starts at 7 a.m. in front of the Gibson Inn Saturday. The race begins at 8 a.m. with award ceremony following the last finisher.

Parade starts at 10 a.m.. Being honored as the Grand Marshals will be the Duke Energy linemen and Danny Collins.

"The amazing work they performed in this community has never been seen before by a power company. We're very proud to have them as our grand marshals," said Solomon.



The park opens at 10 a.m., Saturday, with a \$5 admission, free to kids under 12.

Beginning at 1 p.m. will be the traditional oyster eating and oyster shucking contests. Last year's top shucker Scotty O'Leary will be returning as well as former champ Honor Allen who recently finished fifth at the world competition in Ireland.

The blue crab races, sponsored by Fisherman

Chopice, begin at 1 p.m. and are held on the hour until 5 p.m.

Entertainment on the main stage begins at 3:45 p.m. with local favorite Southern Flood, followed by Cori & Kelly from Panama City, the Adventures of Annabelle Lyn from Tallahassee and Tennille Arts, leading up to headliner Maddie & Tae.

The park closes at 11 p.m.

"We would like to thank everyone in the community for their support of not only the 55th annual Florida Seafood Festival but the community itself," said Solomon. "We would also like to thank all of our sponsors, including Visit Florida and the Florida Restaurant and Lodging Association for helping us getting the word out that we are open for business in Franklin County.

"We would like everyone to come and enjoy themselves and have a great time. Enjoy our county's restaurants, lodging and shops while you're here," he said.

"The volunteers have worked very hard this year to make sure that this festival happens and it's not an easy undertaking on any given year but this year the challenges were greater," Solomon said. "But they have been accomplished and that speaks volumes of the volunteers who are committed to this festival and of Franklin County."

DUO

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"It was so inspiring to see so many people come together and take people in and everything.

"I am glad that we get to be there for the festival for a night of hope and fun," said Maddie. "We hope to bring everyone a little light after this craziness

and chaos

"We're really excited to get to represent country music and have a night of fun," she said. "We're super excited."

Eight years ago, the young ladies, (Tae is from Ada, Oklahoma), then only 15 years old, met at a showcase in Dallas, and within the year, they were going back and forth to Nashville every weekend while still going to school. They first performed under the

name "Sweet Aliana," and after finishing high school, they moved to Nashville to begin their musical career.

They wrote their debut single, "Girl in a Country Song," a satirical take on the contemporary bro-country trend, and after 23 weeks, it became the first debut single by a female duo to reach number one since The Wreckers did it in 2006 with "Leave the Pieces," and only the second in history.



LaRue Howard

Their hit song "Fly" was part of their debut album, "Start Here" released in August 2015. They later had hits with "Shut Up and Fish" and "Sierra," They'll be opening for Carrie Underwood as part of her tour next fall.

"Thankfully Maddie and I have extremely supportive and amazing families, They're the one who sacrificed," said Tae. "We're big women of faith, and with those combined, we're reminded to be grateful and to be humbled and to know we get to do this because God put us there.

"We're always reminded by that," she said.

Their song "Fly," a tribute to women who overcome hardships, has inspired many. Their video features the two sitting on chairs high up that are nailed to the wall, and which they used a ladder

to reach.

"It was pretty terrifying but it looks beautiful," said Maddie. "The director came up with that idea. We're at the shoot and we walked in on them nailing the chairs to the wall. It was totally worth being terrified.

"I think 'Fly' is all about empowerment and encouragement, and I think with everything it represents, I hope someone who needs that song will hear it," she said, referring to the issues of the 'Me Too' movement. "It's crazy that all of that is happening.

"We're big supporters of that, that the right thing is being done, and what's been in the darkness is coming to light," Maddie said. "It's a really great climate we're creating to speak up and speak your truth."

By the way, by way of

interesting details, Tae has two cats Moomoo and Marli, and Maddie has Emmy, all rescue animals.

They love Florida, having gone with their family on vacations here many times. "Every time we see a date there on the calendar, we're ere always super excited," said Tae.

LaRue Howard, a Dove Award-winning recording artist from Orlando, will be the featured act at Battery Park on Friday, Nov. 2, the opening night of the upcoming Florida Seafood Festival.

Howard, a Dove Award-winning recording artist, has released four highly acclaimed CDs. Her discography includes three worship albums and one lullaby CD for the Christian parent. She is on the brink of the most monumental moment of her recording career with her new CD, LaRue Live At The River!

Howard is currently the worship leader at River of Life Church in Orlando, where she is responsible for leading the 1,100-member congregation weekly into a deeper encounter with God.

Her heart for worshippers all across the globe is evident in her non-profit organization, Worship Leaders Association International, Inc. WLA works to build, equip and empower worship leaders and all facets of music ministry through monthly workshops and training sessions.

NORTHWEST FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT NOTICE OF RULE DEVELOPMENT

Pursuant to s. 373.1725, Florida Statutes, the Northwest Florida Water Management District (District) hereby notices its intent to amend Chapter 40A-21, F.A.C., Water Shortage Plan, and Chapter 40A-44, F.A.C., Regulation of Agricultural and Forestry Surface Water Management Projects, to update existing rules for consistency with Florida Statutes and to delete obsolete rules. The District also intends to create Chapter 40A-8, F.A.C., Minimum Flows and Minimum Water Levels, to comply with Florida Statutes.

The person to be contacted regarding the proposed rule development and a copy of the preliminary draft, if available, is Megan Seward, Bureau Chief, Northwest Florida Water Management District, Bureau of Performance and Compliance Improvement, 152 Water Management Drive, Havana, FL 32333, (850)539-5999, megan.seward@nfwwater.com

The preliminary text of the proposed rule is not available. A preliminary draft of the rule language, when available, will be posted on the District's website at <http://www.nfwwater.com/Permits/Rules-and-References>

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CENTERS

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The proposed project would take place both at FCS and at a computer laboratory at ABC School. The Franklin Environmental, Career and Technical Center will

train students for targeted industries such as welding, health related fields, environmental fields, and manufacturing once all phases of this project are completed. This will provide job opportunities for graduates above and beyond any that have ever been available to them.

The Franklin Environmental, Career and

Technical Training Center will serve both Franklin County students and the community.

The Center will concentrate on preserving the history and culture of Franklin County while promoting educational opportunities that prepare students for both career pathways and higher education.

ELECTION

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54, of 101 Avenue M in Apalachicola and Connie Polous, 54, of 75 Shuler Street, in Eastpoint, who is running without party affiliation. Watson was appointed by Gov. Rick Scott to fill the remainder of the term of the previous tax collector, Jimmy Harris.

In county commission seat 4, incumbent Democrat Joseph "Smokey" Parrish 57, of 108 Long Road, Apalachicola, is

running against Howard Wesson, 64, of 358 Brownsville Road, Apalachicola, who is running without party affiliation.

In county commission district 2, three candidates are running to succeed retiring commissioner Cheryl Sanders. Democrat Tamara Allen, 71, of 120 Gulf Avenue, Carrabelle; Republican Bert Boldt, 73, of 1039 Gulf Shores Boulevard, Alligator Point and Mark Nobles, 61, of 105 West Pine Street in Lanark Village, who is running without party affiliation, are all contending for the job.

For the District 2 U.S. congressman, incumbent Republican Neal Dunn is running against Democrat Bob Rackleff.

For governor, Republican Ron De Santis, a former congressman, is facing Democrat Andrew Gillum, mayor of Tallahassee.

For U.S. senator, Republican Governor Rick Scott is vying against incumbent Democrat Bill Nelson.

All voters also will choose between two candidates for Group 13 in the 2nd Judicial Circuit, Lisa Barclay Fountain, 50, and David Frank, 62.

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- **Brought back drivers' licenses to Franklin County** and have processed over 950 transactions since March 19.
- **Brought Concealed Weapons License applications to Franklin County** and have processed over 210 new and renewal licenses since October 26, 2017.
- Added both new services with no increase in staff and no additional cost to the county.
- **Initiated the first "Kids Tag Art" competition** for 5th graders, with cash prizes and \$2,500 in excess funds donated to the art programs in Franklin County schools.

I have found this public service a complete privilege, and I am eager to continue.

Please vote for Rick Watson for Franklin County Tax Collector.

Rick Watson



Rick Watson
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SOCIETY



Cliff Butler, holding sign, stands with his fellow Rotary Club volunteer crew. [PHOTO COURTESY MARIE TURNBULL]

Rotary Club crews help clear debris

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Members of the local Rotary Club, joined by a crew from St. Augustine, pitched in to help in the clean-up effort in Franklin County, before heading west to aid in the harder hit areas of Gulf and Bay counties.

Rich Turnbull, owner of Turnbull Environmental Inc., who will be the District Governor of Rotary District 6970 northeast Florida for Rotary year 2020-21, brought three pieces of heavy equipment from St. Augustine to address the problem of trees on roofs and driveways for senior citizens, the medically disabled and public servants, such as medical personnel and teachers, at no charge.

"We didn't get to as many as we wanted to," said local Rotary president Cliff Butler. "They ran into one or two too big for them to handle."

Housing the crew at the family's vacation house on St. George Island, Butler also provided housing for a Mexico Beach woman who lost her entire pottery store in the storm. The building is gone but the big pottery pots survived and an effort to salvage the pottery is underway.

The Rotarians partnered with the emergency operations center and the Conservation Corps of the Forgotten Coast to remove what was too big for them to handle and any needs while moving from one site to another.

Butler said the equipment proved invaluable because of a scarcity of heavy equipment easily available. He said he's been traveling from Apalachicola from to Mexico Beach trying to determine how the Rotarian can help with ongoing disaster relief recovery, which may go on for up to a year or more.

"In Mexico Beach really there's not that many trees to remove. They're removing piles of rubble that used to be a house," said Butler, noting that in Bay and Gulf counties the Rotarians have been working with Samaritan's Purse, the outreach of the Rev. Franklin Graham.

"My primary objective has been trying to build partnerships with other organizations and agencies so we are working together and not duplicating efforts," Butler said. "Our club and district are receiving offers of help from all over the Southeast and sometimes from further away."

"One teacher is living in a tent, I have seen a tent," said Butler, of the situation



The Rotary Club volunteer crew helped clear this debris from the Two-Mile area. [PHOTO COURTESY MARIE TURNBULL]



Removing a tree fallen on an Apalachicola home. [PHOTO COURTESY MARIE TURNBULL]

west of here. "We think it's almost back to normal but there still a lot of people who need some help."

During the week of Oct. 22, the Rotarians were busy throughout Apalachicola, including at the trailer park west of town.

Lots of help came from debris removal crews from the county and city, where they came around to the areas removing debris and putting it roadside.

Huge 30 foot trees were removed from rooftops, and yards cleared of storm debris, by the Rotarians, while the Conservation Corps helped tarp homes. One of the neighbors we helped was a 70-year-old Vietnam veteran.

"We stored our equipment on Highway 98 at the home of two kind, wonderful ladies with a big property and a three-story building," wrote Marie Turnbull, wife of the future district governor. "Being able to store our equipment in a safe place is invaluable so in return we helped clean up their yard. The property was in the storm surge zone so the rack line with all its debris were in the

yard. We were rewarded with homemade pies and pound cake."

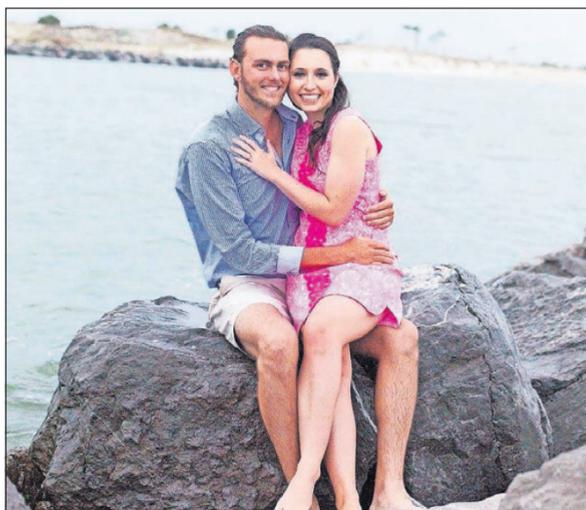
The crews also use their loader to move two large tractor trailers that had turned over and washed up onto the edge of Highway 98, creating a safety hazard.

"We were also asked to move a walk-in freezer to the road, at a nearby retail and commercial fish facility that had been completely destroyed by storm surge," said Turnbull. "Weeks without power and a freezer full of fish was now a total loss — and no one wanted the door to open, so we made sure it was padlocked."

As the crews moved west, they faced nearly 600 tree-related tickets needing to be addressed in Port St. Joe, which they quickly reduced. "Much needs to be done still, but contract debris removal teams are being heavily deployed, and we would start impacting some work that should rightfully be done by folks that are unemployed due to the storm," wrote Turnbull.

Butler encouraged anyone in need of debris removal to contact the emergency operations center for help.

ENGAGEMENT



Scarlett Hines, Johnny Rooks to wed

Mr. and Mrs. David Hines Jr., of Apalachicola announce the engagement of their daughter, Victoria Scarlett Hines to John Arthur Rooks III, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Rooks II, of Tallahassee.

Scarlett, of Tallahassee, is the granddaughter of the late George and Honey Power, and David and Judy Hines of Louisville, Kentucky.

Johnny, of Crawfordville, is the grandson of the late Edouard and Marie Duchemin, and Robin Rooks of Tallahassee and the late John Rooks.

Scarlett is employed by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement, and Johnny is employed by Odom Surveying & Mapping, LLC.

A Dec. 8, 2018 wedding is planned.

BIRTHDAY



Happy birthday Ottis Russell

Happy belated birthday, Ottis Eugene Russell II, whose birthday was Saturday, Oct. 6.

Son I said a prayer for you today, that God would bless you throughout the rest of your life, that He would give you good health throughout the rest of your life, and that he would grant you happiness, great and small. And

that you would always know that the Lord loves you most of all.

Son, I love you and I am very proud to be your Mama.

God bless you son, your Mama Mary Lou King, Alina and Obie, Lawrence Russell, Louise and Aline Russell, JoeHelen and your son Timothy Russell, and all the rest of your family and friends.

BIRTHDAY



Alina Pelt turns 9

Happy birthday to one of God's little angels, Alina Marie Pelt, who turned 9 on Tuesday, Oct. 23, 2018.

I had a birthday party for her with her friends and family, also with her brother, Obie Lee Pelt.

God has blessed me to have her and her brother in my life. When I lost my husband, Charles King, they helped me to go on

without him. He will always have a place in our hearts.

Alina is the daughter of Mary Nowling and Willie Pelt. She is still in the care of her grandmother, Mary Lou King.

God bless Alina. We hope you have many, many more years to come.

Granny Mary Lou King, Obie Pelt, mama and daddy, and all your family and friends

FAITH

LIBRARY CORNER

Get hurricane help at both branches

Special to the Times

Hello Franklin County! The following are some important updates and information from the Franklin County Public Library. First, both libraries are open and offering regular library services. The Eastpoint Branch is open Monday – Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. This branch is also designated as a Registration Intake Center (RIC) for Disaster Survivor Assistance (DSA) where FEMA representatives are available, Monday through Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. This Friday

and Saturday, Nov. 2 and 3 they will not be at the Eastpoint branch but will have a tent at the Seafood Festival. They will return to the branch library Monday, Nov. 5.

The Carrabelle Branch is a designated FEMA Disaster Recovery Center (DRC). The hours of operation are daily from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. The following services are represented at the DRC:

- FEMA representatives to help with private individual assistance
- SBA representatives to help small businesses and homeowner, low interest disaster loans

- Florida Small Business Development Center (SBDC) representative
 - State of Florida Dept. of Elder Affairs, Ombudsman Program and other programs
 - Department of Economic Opportunity (re-employment assistance/lost wages)
 - Florida Department of Children & Families
 - Apalachee Center for Mental Health
 - Career Source Mobile Unit: Disaster Unemployment Assistance
- The Carrabelle Library has seen over 3,700 customers since Oct. 17,

where residents have met with DRC representatives and staff. The Eastpoint Branch saw more than 500 customers last week, and many residents were able to register with a FEMA Disaster Survivor Assistance (DSA) representative.

The Eastpoint branch will offer the Yoga programs this week on Friday, Nov. 2 at 11 a.m. Beginning in November the Book Chat will meet Tuesday, Nov. 6, and the Eastpoint STEAM, for kids ages 8-14, will return to the regular scheduled time at 4 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 8.

CARL ANTHONY 'ANT' BROWN

A Celebration of Life Remembrance will be held Friday, Nov. 2, 2018 for Carl Anthony "Ant" Brown, son of Fred and Mary Brown of Apalachicola. He passed away Sept. 14, 2018 in Panama City.

The service will be held at the Magnolia Cemetery Pavilion at 11 a.m. Family, friends and loved ones are welcome to come and support the family as reflections of Ant's life are shared by those that knew him best. Anthony was also the son of Carolyn Young, of Sacramento, California, and Anna Edwards of Paducah, Kentucky, as well as



husband to Priscilla Brown, of Panama City.

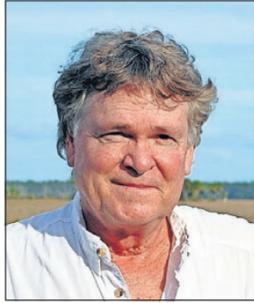
Immediately following the service, a repast will be held at the home of Fred and Mary Brown.

In the event of rain, the Celebration of Life service will be at Friendship Missionary Baptist Church.

JAMES E. GORMAN, JR.

James Elesius Gorman Jr., 69, moved on from this rock Saturday, Oct. 20, 2018 at his home in Wakulla County, surrounded by his loving family. He was formerly a longtime resident of Apalachicola.

Born and raised in Vicksburg, Mississippi, "Buzz" was a man of the world, embarking on numerous adventures in Europe and Central



America. He was an explorer, inventor,

philosopher, rock star, and deep-water sailor. He could fix anything that was made by man, and generally better than it was made in the first place.

He was a consummate cook and the master of any kitchen, never happier than when he was in the kitchen with his beloved wife and son. He was the wisest of men, and the most loving man

any family could hope to receive.

The last of the old breed of Southern gentlemen, Buzz was the gentleman's version of the Mississippi good old boy, with a rich selection of lifelong friends. Always daring to be different, his memory is carried on by his family, and the lives he has impacted. The world is less without him, but greater because

of him. Let it be said of knowledge, reason, logic and love; on this he prospered.

He is survived by his wife of 41 years, Jan Wingfield Gorman, son James and wife Christin, brothers Michael and Robert Gorman, sister Mary Beth Gorman, grandson Oliver Robinson, nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents,

Mary Blake Gorman and James E. Gorman, and sister Katherine S. Gorman.

In lieu of flowers, please donate to Big Bend Hospice of Florida, 1723 Mahan Center Blvd, Tallahassee, FL 32306 in his memory.

David Conn of Bevis Funeral Home, Harvey Young Chapel in Crawfordville is assisting the family.

HARRY MCGHIN

Harry Deen McGhin, 83, of Sorrento, passed away Friday, Oct. 26, 2018.

Visitation with the family began at noon on Tuesday, Oct. 30, 2018 at Harry T. Reid Funeral Home in Jasper. Graveside services began at 1:30 p.m. at New Hope Baptist Church Cemetery, Jennings.



Harry was born in Brunswick, Georgia on Feb. 20, 1935 to the late Andrew Jackson McGhin and his bride Mattie Lou Dees McGhin. He had an extensive career with the U. S. Department of Agriculture/Farm Service Agency. He began as a county manager in Lafayette and Columbia counties before moving

up to district director. After some time, Harry moved into a program specialist position at the Florida State ASCS office and then became state director.

Following his retirement, he loved spending time at his home in St. George Island. He was a beloved husband, father and grandfather.

Harry was a blessed man in that he found love. Survivors include his wife, Kasia Cuenca McGhin; three daughters, Katrina Larkin (Frank), Susanne Katz (Larry) and De Ann Thompson (Michael); step-children, Michele Loader (Denny), Pilar Alsiro-Zaki (Kamal), Michael Cuenca (Luis), Alex Cuenca (Angela),

David Cuenca (Leslie) and Kathy Pragados (Pio); his brother, Andrew Jackson McGhin, Jr.; four grandchildren, one great grandchild, 10 step-grandchildren and one step-great-grandchild.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Living Water 4 Roatan (www.living-water4roatan.org)

JOHNNY RAY FINCHER

Johnny Ray Fincher, age 80, of St. George Island, passed away peacefully from cancer on Sunday, Oct. 21, 2018, while taking refuge from Hurricane Michael at Big Bend Hospice House in Tallahassee. He was surrounded by family and friends.

Johnny was born Sept. 16, 1938 in Randolph County, Alabama to his parents Dewey and Lauzie Johnson Fincher. The family moved to LaGrange, Georgia, where Johnny spent his childhood and graduated from LaGrange High School in 1956, then attended LaGrange College.

He married his high school sweetheart, Nancy Hunt, in 1960. During their 30-year marriage, they had a daughter, Connie, who resides in Fayetteville, Georgia with her husband Thomas Bloom. Connie and Tom have three beautiful children who were lovingly devoted to their PawPaw, Chelsea Bloom Passmore (Jason), Priscilla Bloom Harris (Walter), Evan Bloom, now a student at the University of West Georgia and majoring in biology, and Johnny's 4-year-old great-grandson Sawyer Harris.

Johnny was preceded in death by his parents; his wife Nancy; brothers and sisters Clarence Fincher, Erma Fincher Vollenweider, Lorene Fincher Hobbs, Clyde Fincher, and Jimmy Fincher.

He is survived by his daughter, grandchildren and great-grandson, brother Handley Fincher and sister Geraldine Fincher Thompson



(Billy), cousins, and many nieces and nephews, as well as his 25-year lovingly devoted companion, domestic partner, and abiding caregiver Pam Vest.

Johnny had a full and fulfilling life. He served his country with the Army National Guard during the Korean conflict, and was employed by Sears in LaGrange and traveled to the company's stores in other cities in Georgia and Florida where he was sent to solve problems. He also worked for Rayovac and at one time he owned a small motel. In mid-life, he was manager for a Honda dealership in Kingston, New York, then became owner, and also opened another Honda dealership in the Tampa area.

He and his son-in-law Thomas Bloom partnered in Premium Builders, a development and building company in Fayetteville, Georgia. In 1990, Johnny and his daughter's family bought acreage in Fayetteville and built their homes next door to one another. His grandchildren feel blessed to have had their PawPaw to dote on them almost

daily. It made for a perfect childhood for them.

In 1993, the family decided to build a vacation home on St. George Island. It was on St. George Island that he met Pam Vest. Both widowed at the time, Johnny and Pam forged a committed relationship to carry them through the next quarter-century together on the island.

While living on St. George Island, Johnny then opened Olympic Motors in Eastpoint, and became a partner in the Apalachicola Regional Airport's car rental business. The consummate "car guy," Johnny knew cars inside and out, and was called upon by friends and family to advise on their car problems, or buying and selling their vehicles. Just by listening to the motor, or detecting the "feel" of the vehicle's operation, he could recognize what a car's problem was, often fix it himself, or knew what had to be done to make it right.

Cars weren't his only passion. On St. George Island, he was an early founder of the St. George Island Men's Golf Association. He relished any day on the course, whether the scorecard looked good or bad, because he loved the camaraderie, the laughter, the shared stories, and finding lost balls. When asked how his game went after returning home from 18 holes, he always replied "We had fun." At the annual Golf Ball, he was often presented with recognition awards, including

the "Freddy" Award for Sportsmanship, and the 2014 Clutch Golfer Award for his dead-eye putting in a clutch, which often saved his team's competitive standing. His golfing buddies were his "posse," both on and off the links, helping him get through the hard recovery from surgery, and cancer treatments. Their frequent visits with him, and those from his Georgia family, were his joy and gave him that bit of the "quality of life" he and Pam, his aids, a.k.a "Johnny's Angels" Barbara Booth, JoEllen Pearman, Lori Foster, Amanda Sanchez, and Hospice worked so hard to maintain during his illness. His fight was courageous and determined. That, and the prayers of many, brought small miracles of success along the journey.

Over his 25 years on the island, when he wasn't golfing, fishing, boating or flying his private plane, Johnny was a volunteer with The Panhandle Players community theatre, designing and creating props, helping to build sets, and conducting fund raising efforts. He was a member of the SGI Civic Club where he assisted with Bingo night, the Seafood Festival funnel cake booth, and other club projects.

At home, he enjoyed hours of working on jigsaw puzzles, listening to his favorite traditional country music, and cooking creatively (he never followed a recipe). He and Pam enjoyed travel adventures out west, to the Smoky Mountains,

Kentucky and scenic parts of Florida, along the Natchez Trace, and to various national parks and the Virgin Islands.

Johnny was and will remain one of those beloved, unforgettable characters we might be lucky to know in our lifetime. His laugh was infectious, his storytelling and jokes were always entertaining, and he relished a good political debate. A man of good deeds, his generosity, support and mentorship to many people was of lasting impression and appreciation. We will all sorely miss his handsome face, bright smile, twinkling eyes, and the man whose companionship will always be cherished. He made his mark on us and in this world. He loved and was loved. 2 Timothy 4:7-8

I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Henceforth there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will award to me on that Day, and not only to me but also to all who have loved His appearing.

Until we meet again, Godspeed, Mr. Johnny. Private memorial gatherings and dedications will be conducted in separate locales as announced. Those who wish to remember and honor Johnny may make donations in his name to Hospice of the Big Bend, with a memo to its musical therapy program, 1723 Mahan Center Blvd., Tallahassee, FL 32308.

Culley's Meadowwood Funeral Home of Tallahassee assisted the family in final arrangements.

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A closer look at Dog Island wrecks

By Rod Gasche
Special to the Times

Editor's Note: Hurricane Michael's Category 4 strength winds uncovered a pair of century-old shipwrecks off the beach of Dog Island, that Chuck Meide, director of the Lighthouse Archeological Maritime Program, the research arm of the St. Augustine Lighthouse and Maritime Museum, has said haven't been uncovered since they wrecked in Aug. 1, 1899.

In 1999, as a graduate student in the Florida State University anthropology department, studying underwater archeology, Meide and his colleagues secured state grant funds to conduct extensive research on the shipwrecks off Dog Island. They were a result of the devastating Carrabelle Hurricane, a Category 2 storm that roared up the Gulf of Mexico from the Dominican Republic and came ashore in Carrabelle, killing seven, injuring hundreds, and destroying an estimated 57 ships throughout the

Panhandle.

On Sunday, Rod Gasche went exploring the wrecks, and wrote this account.

On Sunday, Oct. 28 at 7:30 a.m. it was 51 degrees under mostly clear skies as the eastern sky began to glow.

I met my friends Frank Stevenson and Quill Turk at the Marine Street. City Ramp around 1030 a.m. We headed out the river for Dog Island and the two newly uncovered sailing vessel wrecks from the 1899 grounding of 13 sailing vessels due to the passage of Hurricane Michael. We found the bay almost as flat as a table so we went through East Pass and found that the Gulf wasn't much worse. That let Frank anchor up just off the shoreline on a rising tide. When I started to wade to shore I spotted a small stingray scooting away in an arcing path for deeper water.

Frank was to get as much data on the two wrecks that were not on his photo map. One of



A view of the smaller wreck. [ROD GASCHE | SPECIAL TO THE TIMES]



Ballast rocks strewn on what was once a dock were uncovered by the storm. [ROD GASCHE SPECIAL TO THE TIMES]



Frank Stephenson takes a measurement of the larger wreck. [ROD GASCHE | SPECIAL TO THE TIMES]



Ballast rocks, copper cladding and shells. [ROD GASCHE | SPECIAL TO THE TIMES]

them was only around 50 feet and the other well over 100 feet in length. The smaller one was hard up against the western end of the old Ballast Dock that used to be well inside the Bay in Shipping Cove. The island has moved inland many feet since that hurricane, putting the dock on the outer edge of the Gulf-side beach!

The old ballast dock pilings are surrounded by scattered ballast rocks from Europe and there are several others nearer the bay side of the spit. I was particularly interested in these deposits! We were part of the day's early birds as there was a family already walking the beach and looking at the exposed relics. By the early afternoon there were several dozen groups on the sands checking them out.

While Frank and Quill were taking their measurements and GPS

locations I wandered over to the dock area and started hunting rocks. Immediately I found a small caramel colored piece of agate along with various chert nodules of differing hues. Many pieces of iron slag, obsidian-like glass and casting over-pour pieces are evident all through the site. Mixed in are some pieces of marble, slates, European paving and construction stone and various granites. I picked out a cube of black granite w/rose quartz embedded all through it. I found a fork (possibly an early stainless) with large iron concretions attached to it along with a small glass vial.

The larger of the vessels appears to have been burned to the waterline. The prow area was still clad with copper sheathing held in place w/ brass/bronze nails and

the prominent leading edge was swathed with a 1/4-inch sheet of lead! That I assume was to limit damage in docking and also from rough seas abrading the wood core.

The prow was well over 6 feet height and above the metal sheathing was well bored by shipworms and showing verdigris from old nails. The remains of the smaller one showed that

it had been coated with pitch probably under the copper cladding to ward off the worms. Both hulls were put together using brass, iron and wooden rods and pins inserted into bored holes. Some of the metal rods were 5 inch and more in length penetrating multiple thick timbers.

What a great way to spend a beautiful Sunday as a mini-AD-venture!

WEEKLY ALMANAC

Date	High	Low	% Precip
Thu, November 1	80°	71°	80%
Fri, November 2	73°	51°	100%
Sat, November 3	70°	55°	0%
Sun, November 4	75°	64°	0%
Mon, November 5	79°	69°	60%
Tues, November 6	79°	69°	60%
Wed, November 7	74°	57°	60%

TIDE TABLES MONTHLY AVERAGES

To find the tides of the following areas, subtract the indicated times from these given for APALACHICOLA:
Cat Point HIGH Minus 0:40 LOW Minus 1:17
East Pass HIGH Minus 0:27 LOW Minus 0:27
 To find the tides of the following areas, subtract the indicated times from those given for CARRABELLE:
Bald Point HIGH Minus 9:16 LOW Minus 0:03

APALACHICOLA

Date	Day	High Tide	High Tide	Low Tide	Low Tide
1	Th	12:42a 1.5	9:21a 1.5	5:20a 1.3	6:09p 0.2
2	Fr	1:20a 1.5	11:14a 1.4	6:48a 1.1	7:14p 0.4
3	Sa	1:50a 1.5	1:06p 1.4	7:51a 0.8	8:10p 0.5
4	Su	2:15a 1.5	1:36p 1.4	7:42a 0.6	7:57p 0.6
5	Mo	1:37a 1.5	2:47p 1.5	8:28a 0.3	8:38p 0.8
6	Tu	1:58a 1.5	3:47p 1.5	9:11a 0.2	9:13p 0.9
7	We	2:18a 1.6	4:40p 1.5	9:52a 0.0	9:44p 1.0

CARRABELLE

Date	Day	High Tide	High Tide	Low Tide	Low Tide
1	Th	7:56a 2.4	11:55p 2.4	3:07a 2.1	3:56p 0.3
2	Fr	9:49a 2.2		4:35a 1.8	5:01p 0.6
3	Sa	12:25a 2.4	11:41a 2.2	5:38a 1.3	5:57p 0.8
4	Su	12:50a 2.4	12:11p 2.2	5:29a 1.0	5:44p 1.0
5	Mo	12:12a 2.4	1:22p 2.4	6:15a 0.5	6:25p 1.3
6	Tu	12:33a 2.4	2:22p 2.4	6:58a 0.3	7:00p 1.4
7	We	12:53a 2.6	3:15p 2.4	7:39a 0.0	7:31p 1.6

FISHING REPORT



BE SAFE OUT THERE

Bluewater Outriggers

ANERR assesses hurricane damage

By David Adlerstein
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The weather and data-logger towers at East Bay and Dry Bar, that were knocked down and moved by Hurricane Michael, have been recovered.

Staffers from the Apalachicola National Estuarine Research Reserve located them earlier this week and were busy putting them back.

The East Bay tower was submerged off of the St George Island Bridge at coordinates N 29 41.323' W 84 53.666'. ANERR worked with the US Coast Guard to have the East Bay tower marked as a hazard.

The Dry Bar tower was found near St. Vincent and West Pass.

Jenna Harper, ANERR manager, said all staff



The monitoring tower before. [PHOTO COURTESY ANERR]



The monitoring tower after. [PHOTO COURTESY ANERR]

were safe after the storm and there was minimal damage to personal property.

"But at the reserve we've lost the life support for the aquariums, the pumps and filtration that keep water clean for fish," she said.

Staff emptied the entire

system and released the marine life immediately following the storm. The turtles were released in fresh water.

Harper said some boardwalks were damaged at headquarters, but all vehicles and boats were fine.

"For operations at the

reserve, not the nature center, we still have to get water hooked up. We have everything else," she said last week. "Most people are working on clearing property."

"I think it's going to a couple weeks" before the nature center opens," she said. "It's going to be much longer until we get the aquariums up and running."

Harper said staffers are assessing damage to Little St George Island and Cape San Blas, especially to what is likely a lot of washed-out sea turtle nests.

"Estuaries are dynamic places and because of our low development and large marsh and wetlands areas, we can absorb a lot of the force of the storm surge, the high salinity," she said. "Often storm surge will move a lot of sediment."



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SPORTS

VARSITY FOOTBALL

Wewa edges Seahawks 8-6

By David Adlerstein

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It was an ironic homecoming for Franklin County Friday night.

Wewahitchka's 8-6 win broke the Seahawks' hearts, but the home team left the field knowing they had won their opponents' hearts.

In an emotional halftime ceremony, the Seahawk homecoming court, led by newly crowned Queen Alexis Johnson and King Mikalin Huckeba, the cheerleading squads and scores of fans presented their opponents with a giant wooden Gator mascot, symbolic of their love and support for the Gulf County community clotheslined by Hurricane Michael's fury.

The Franklin County kids then sang the Katy Perry hit "Fight Song" to their rivals, and the two sides embraced at midfield.

On the field of play, the embrace was less cordial, as the two teams resumed play after a three-week hurricane hiatus.

The rustiness was evident from the opening drive, when Bobby Johns' squad, led on the ground by senior full-back Trevor Nunnery, and junior Tyreeq Thomas, drove down to the Seahawk 25, only to be stopped cold on a fourth-and-four.

On the Seahawks' opening play, the usually sure-handed sophomore Lamarius Martin coughed up the ball and sophomore linebacker Harley Redd pounced.

Led by two tackles for loss by



On behalf of the Franklin County Schools, Seahawk Duncan Whaley presents Wewahitchka fans with a Gator from off their senior float, a sign of support for that ravaged Gulf County community. [DAVID ADLERSTEIN | APALACHICOLA TIMES]

senior defensive end Tonnor Segree, the Seahawks stopped the Gators on downs

Freshman quarterback Colin Amison connected with Martin on a 30-yard strike, but on the next play, Martin caught, and then fumbled, the pass and Gator senior linebacker Alex Edwards was there to recover.

The game stayed scoreless until 3:31 left in the half, when, on a fourth and four at the Seahawk 16, Nunnery ran it to the one, and fumbled the ball into the end zone, where senior teammate Truman Green jumped on it for the score.

A quarterback keeper by sophomore Creed Pariera accounted for the two-point

conversion that would spell the difference in the game.

The Seahawks came out strong in their opening drive of the second half, and led by senior wingback Colton Evans, drove to a first and 10 on the Gator 35. On a sweep, Martin rambled in for the score, but the two-point conversion pass was thwarted.

Johns turned to quarterback keepers on first downs, hoping to avoid getting set back on his heels against a pesky Seahawk defense.

"We played pretty well on defense," said Coach Tony Yeomans, whose 2-5 squad hosts Lighthouse Charter on Tuesday afternoon, and wraps

up its season at home Friday against Munroe.

"We had too many turnovers," he said. "We'll be back. We'll be all right."

The Seahawks earned a final chance at winning when with 1:08 left in the game, on a fourth-and-one at midfield, their defense stopped the Gator run to force a turnover.

Amison managed a first-down completion to junior Javan Pride, but a spirited Gator effort forced a pair of incompletions and a sack as time ran out.

"Our community needed this, our fans need this and our team needed this," said Johns afterwards. "I'm proud of our defense. We played better than

we expected."

In addition to the win, the Gators returned home with a trailer filled with water and other donations collected by the Seahawks before the game.

Earlier in the afternoon in downtown Eastpoint, Parade Marshal Pam Brownell, director of the emergency operations center, led the homecoming parade.

Included were the high school marching band, led by Zack Wilson, Miss Seahawk Shine Pearson, Teen Miss Seahawk Jadyne Luberto, Junior Miss Seahawk Shakira Miller, Little Miss Seahawk Addycyn Cruson, and Tiny Miss Seahawk Myleigh Beasley, the 2017 Homecoming Queen and King Sallie Paul and Chance White, the 2017 Mr. and Miss FCHS Ethan Moses and Faith Sapp, the 2008 Homecoming Queen Jamie Johnson, the 2008 Mr. FCHS Jared Mock, the 2008 Miss FCHS Alana Turner.

The homecoming court consisted of Senior Representatives Chloe Davis and Mikalin Huckeba, Hannah Hogan and Bryce Kent, Alexis Johnson and Kevin Flores, Sophia Kirvin and Fisher Edwards, and Peyton Millender and Tonnor Segree; Junior Representatives Takiah Ford and Nicholas Hutchins, Krista Kelley and Jacob Shirley, Honesti Williams and Keondre Sewell; Sophomore Representatives Abby Johnson and Clinton Rester, Marci Kelley and Eli Whaley; and Freshmen Representatives Myia Maxwell and Carson Davis.

Seniors won the Color Wars, including the top float.

YOUR PUBLIC TRUSTEE

How about those constitutional amendments?



Marcia Johnson

Q. Can you provide some information on the proposed constitutional amendments that will be appearing on the November ballot?

Amendment 5 would require a two-thirds vote of the Legislature to approve any new or increased taxes or fees, rather than a simple majority: A yes vote would require a two-thirds vote by the State House and Senate to increase existing taxes and fees or to impose new ones. It would require that any new or increased taxes or fees be voted on in stand-alone bills. Local Governments would be excluded from the requirement.

A no vote would allow the Legislature to continue bundling tax and fee increases with bills that include other measures. This measure originated with the Legislature, and supporters feel the higher threshold requirement would ensure that future tax increases are bi-partisan in nature and would create a greater level of consistency for individuals and businesses in Florida. They say this would make it more challenging to raise taxes than to cut taxes, a wise and common-sense policy. Opponents say that while making it more difficult to raise taxes might initially seem like a prudent move, it could restrict the government's ability to raise funds and they argue this

is a shortsighted initiative which could hamper government's function and led to unintended consequences such as budget balancing problems caused by revenue declines. Supporters include Florida TaxWatch and the Florida Chamber of Commerce. Opponents include the Florida Education Association; Florida Policy Institute; League of Women Voters of Florida; and Progress Florida.

Amendment 6 would expand the scope of victim rights under the State Constitution (called Marsy's Law); would increase the mandatory retirement age for judges from 70 to 75; and would require courts and judges to independently interpret statutes and rules rather than deferring to a government agency's interpretation. A yes vote would enshrine in the Constitution an array of victim rights. It would place new time limits on filing appeals and require that victims receive some type of written notification of their rights, and it would eliminate an existing constitutional provision that ensures victim rights don't infringe on the rights of accused criminals. The second part of this amendment would raise the mandatory retirement age for Supreme Court justices and judges from the current age 70 to age 75. The third part of this amendment requires that state courts independently interpret law rather than deferring to administrative agencies.

A no vote would retain the status quo on constitutional rights of crime victims; would allow judges to continue the pattern of relying on state agencies' interpretation of state laws and rules when

deciding cases; and would keep the mandatory retirement age for justices and judges at 70. This amendment is referred from the Constitution Revision Commission. Supporters claim Marsy's Law is a nationwide push to strengthen victim's rights and six states have passed the legislation since 2009. They claim the amendment would also ensure that authority over legal questions rests with appointed judges rather than administrative agencies, and they feel that the effort to raise the retirement age for judges from 70 to 75 recognizes increases in life spans and accommodates for longer working careers. Opponents argue the Constitution already offers a subsection that details victim rights and the legislature guarantees a certain set of rights and safeguards for crime victims, so they feel the issues in this amendment could be handled through the legislative process. Apart from their concerns on Marsy's Law, they claim this amendment upends a functioning and orderly system where judges outsource many decisions to administrative law judges because they have a better understanding of the issues.

Supporters include Marsy's Law for Florida Committee, 37 Florida Sheriffs; 17 Clerks of Court; Florida Smart Justice; and several State Attorneys, including our 2nd Circuit State Attorney, Jack Campbell. Opponents include ACLU of Florida; Florida Education Association; Florida Public Defender Association; the League of Women Voters of Florida;

and Save My Constitution. On August 27, 2018, Leon County Judge Karen Gievers ruled that this amendment must be removed from the ballot because the language does not meet the requirements of Florida Laws...in fully fairly and accurately telling voters the chief purpose of the proposed amendment. The case was appealed to the Florida Supreme Court. On September 7, 2018, the Supreme Court reversed the lower court's ruling, ordering the amendment to appear on the ballot.

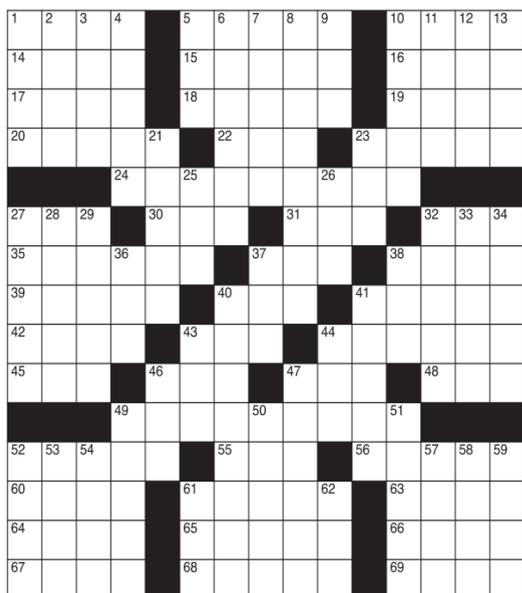
Amendment 10, the State and Local Government Structure Amendment, would link four proposals from the Constitution Revision Commission: 1-have the state's legislative session start in January rather than March in even-numbered years; 2-create a counter-terrorism office; 3-make the state veteran affairs department constitutionally required; and 4-would require five county-level offices to be elected which are the Clerks of Circuit Court, Tax Collectors, Property Appraisers, Supervisors of Elections, and Sheriffs. This would force all counties, even those with a charter, to hold elections for these constitutional officers.

A yes vote would accomplish the above while a no vote would allow the legislature to set its start date, would reject a constitutionally mandated Office of Security and Counterterrorism under FDLE, would reject a constitutionally mandated Department of Veterans' Affairs while allowing the legislature to determine if Florida should have such a department, and would allow

Florida's charter counties to continue determining the duties of five county offices identified in the constitution and whether those offices should be elected posts or not. This amendment is referred from the Constitution Revision Commission. Supporters say the legislature customarily meets from January to March, so the amendment codifies the custom. They claim the amendment is needed to meet the needs of veterans in the State. They claim the amendment creates necessary uniformity among the posts and elections of the state's 67 counties for tax collectors, property appraisers, supervisors of elections, sheriffs, and clerks of court. Currently, Miami-Dade appoints a police director rather than holding an election for sheriff. Amendment 10 would foster consistency across the state and allow voters to elect these vital positions.

Opponents contend that by choosing to combine these 4 items, some straightforward directives are placed with the contentious issue of county governance. They say the amendment is misleading and strips charter counties of their right to determine their own constitutional offices. Franklin County is not a charter county. Supporters include Florida Sheriff's Association, Florida Tax Collectors Association, and Florida C.O.R.E. (Constitutional Officer Resource Experts). Opponents are the Florida Association of Counties, Miami-Dade County, Volusia County, Broward County, and Save My Constitution.

CROSSWORD



CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Boat structure
- 5. Affirmatives
- 10. From end to end
- 14. Ancient Syrian city
- 15. Plant parts
- 16. Anatomical feature of worms
- 17. Invests in little enterprises
- 18. Cuts the skin off
- 19. Noted child psychiatrist
- 20. Satisfies
- 22. Take by sips
- 23. Matched
- 24. It changed the world
- 27. U.S. Founding Father Adams
- 30. Father
- 31. Swiss river
- 32. They hold music
- 35. Spoke
- 37. Used to write
- 38. Cold wind
- 39. More competent
- 40. Test for high schoolers
- 41. Mild analgesic
- 42. Indian industrial city
- 43. Fellas
- 44. Short-tailed martens
- 45. No seats available
- 46. Golf score
- 47. A way to sink
- 48. Type of investment account
- 49. Songs
- 52. Type of sword
- 55. ___ King Cole, musician
- 56. Type of vaccine
- 60. Site of the Taj Mahal
- 61. Languished
- 63. Ethnic group in South China
- 64. Prevent from seeing
- 65. Word of farewell
- 66. Charity given to the poor
- 67. Chops
- 68. Swiss capital
- 69. One point east of southeast

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Type of hall
- 2. Swedish rock group
- 3. Long, narrow cut
- 4. Indicating silence
- 5. Talk at length
- 6. Wiped away
- 7. Sweet substance (alt. sp.)
- 8. Babar is one
- 9. Soviet Socialist Republic
- 10. French avant-garde composer
- 11. Commoner
- 12. Swiss river
- 13. A single-minded expert
- 21. Passover feast and ceremony
- 23. Indie record label (abbr.)
- 25. Fellow
- 26. Strong tree
- 27. Drenches
- 28. Spindle
- 29. North Dravidian language
- 32. Lounges about
- 33. Preamble
- 34. Essential for nachos
- 36. Afternoon beverage
- 37. 007's creator
- 38. Founder of Babism
- 40. Music played in open air
- 41. Profoundly wise men
- 43. Disfigure
- 44. Unhappy
- 46. Prefix denoting "in a"
- 47. Cotton fabric; satiny finish
- 49. Closes tightly
- 50. The lowest point
- 51. Semitic sun god
- 52. Grads wear one
- 53. Phil ___, former CIA
- 54. Fermented rather than distilled
- 57. Aids digestion
- 58. Unstressed-stressed
- 59. Body part
- 61. Wonderful
- 62. Expected at a certain time

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Wilson Casey

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1. From studies, men are more likely to do what household chore in the morning, while women are more likely to do it at night?

Take out trash, Sweep, Wash dishes, Laundry

2. Who was the first woman pilot to break the

sound barrier (1953)?

Jackie Cochran, Catherine Thompson, Cheryl Monson, Amelia Earhart

3. When did the U.S. Government drop "old age" as an official cause of death?

Haven't, 1951, 1988, 2006

4. What's the head of foam found on a shot of espresso called?

Beema, Crema, Derby, Shingle

5. Which is nicknamed the "Valley Island" of Hawaii?

Kauai, Lanai, Maui, Oahu

6. Who was the first president of all 50 states?

FDR, Truman, Eisenhower, JFK

ANSWERS: 1. Wash dishes, 2. Jackie Cochran, 3. 1951, 4. Crema, 5. Maui, 6. Eisenhower

F-STOP FRANKLIN

A hopeful tomorrow

f-stop is an abbreviation for a camera lens aperture setting that corresponds to an f-number, which is the ratio of the focal length of a lens to the effective diameter of its aperture

With the roar of Hurricane Michael ringing in our ears, and the destruction still lingering, life is slowly returning to normal. If you have a good photo, whether it captures the storm, or the resilience to its fury, please share. The Times welcomes readers to send their best photographs, whatever they capture, an unusual image, person, place or thing, we want it. Photos can be of any subject, but we especially like people.

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Willow Grace was a happy Halloween witch this year. [CASSIE PETERS | SPECIAL TO THE TIMES]



This picture, taken during Hurricane Michael, is called "Alabama Angels." [MICHAEL RINDLER | SPECIAL TO THE TIMES]



Washover at Dr. Julian Bruce St. George Island State Park left sand now being plowed out at the entrance. [JAMES HARGROVE | SPECIAL TO THE TIMES]



Dog Island shipwreck after Hurricane Michael. [JOHN INZETTA | SPECIAL TP THE TIMES]



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storms tied out in Scipio Creek between the dock and the 600-pound concrete block that I cast in the mud on the other side. Depending on whether the storm will pass east or west of us, I will put an anchor up or down the creek.

On Monday morning I began preparations for the storm. Having spent all the time setting up the new rigging, I was reluctant to take it all back down. I took down the sun awning and lazily got out the bigger dock lines and took tools and paint off the boat to tidy up down below. By noon they were talking about Category 3 Hurricane "Michael" that was headed right for Apalachicola. Preparations went into high gear. Still not wanting to down rig the boat, I wrapped each of the headsail halyards around their stays which will keep them from vibrating much like the spirals that you see on tall smokestacks. The forecasters seemed to think that it would indeed pass to the west of us if it didn't go right over. Jim Cantore was broadcasting from Panama City about 50 miles to the west. Hedging my bets I added 50 feet of chain to anchors and put two anchors downstream. One was to the southeast and the other was as close to south as I could get in the confines of the creek. I put a third anchor up the creek to the north "just in case." It is quite a balancing feat to load an anchor with its normal 30 feet of

chain and an additional 50 feet of chain and 200 feet of nylon line into a kayak and paddle into a 15-knot wind and get it all out of the kayak without turning it over, three times. Tuesday noon found me as prepared as possible and hearing that the storm was now a Category 3 and was expected to become a 4.

Tuesday evening saw the beginning of some rain bands and a definite increase in wind. Still it was nothing that "Ideath" and I hadn't been through before. I set up a schedule for the night, getting up every hour to check chafe protectors and adjust lines as it became necessary. I was very glad to see the dawn as the schedule went out the window at about 3 a.m. when I was checking every half hour. I was still feeling confident of my setup and after eating some pancakes for breakfast, I spent a lot of time out in the cockpit marveling at the sheets of wind-driven rain. Every once in a while a tern or gull tried valiantly to fly to windward only to be blown back. Once a manatee came up right beside the boat and looked right at me before the driving rain made us both blink and down it went.

It was a good thing that I managed to eat a peanut butter sandwich around 12:30 p.m. because by 1 p.m. things had changed remarkably. The wind had become a solid wall of screaming noise. To move about the boat I had to crawl from hand-rail to rail. I couldn't look in the direction of the wind and could only look down. I was wearing boat shoes and a bathing suit with a tee-shirt under a foul weather jacket and the rain felt like needles

hitting my legs and face. By now the water was over the dock and actually over the bench that is bolted to the dock. As the fury grew it also started to veer around to the south. Because the water was now above the marsh grass, there was a three-mile fetch all the way from town, and the chop was now about two feet high. Of course "Ideath" could care less about two-foot waves, but the situation became a lot more intense when the dock to which we were tied began to come apart.

Getting some of the strain off of the dock lines seemed imperative as the pilings were starting to undulate with the waves hitting them. The engine at about 2400 rpm seemed to do the trick. The only problem was that the water was so full of bits of marsh grass that the raw water filter was plugging up about every five minutes. I have two filter screens and got to where I could change out a clean one for one stuffed with grass in about 45 seconds. Worrying that the dock would fail completely, as the wind continued to swing around to the southwest and west, I put the little Danforth anchor I had left in the water right off the bow. But knowing that it would not be effective in those conditions, I made the decision to do the only thing that I knew could work.

I got out a long piece of three-quarter inch line from my sea anchor and carefully laid it out on the deck. Shedding the foully jacket and putting on a life jacket, I hand over handed down one of the dock lines to the swaying dock and then swam the end around a palm tree and tied it off. Now that there was

something solid again to hang on, I could let "Ideath" swing out into the creek with her bow into the new wind direction. Happily, as the wind came around more to the west, it lessened the fetch and the waves became less. With the west wind I knew that "Michael" had made landfall and by 3:30 p.m. the 20- to 30-knot gusts seemed like gentle puffs compared to what we and just been through.

When you live on a boat it is not necessary to be going anywhere to have to use sailing skills and have adventures. As it turned out the eye of "Michael" went ashore about 30 miles west of us in Mexico Beach. I understand it practically destroyed a big hotel there. I certainly have a lot of cleaning up to do and a dock that will have to be rebuilt, but I am grateful that "Ideath" is sitting peacefully at the buckled dock and not languishing out in the middle of a marsh or smashed up against a bunch of trees. I hope the next update I send out is about a fun voyage. I have had all the hurricane season I want!

Peace and Love to all of you. I have missed showing up where you are,
Randy

Yes, Randy rode out that raging torrent aboard "Ideath," but I suspect he wasn't alone.

By the way, I have been really worried about my eagles. Yesterday I saw one fly over with talons laden with twigs headed towards that nest. Like the rest of us he's putting his crib back in order.

Your friend,
Capt. Gill

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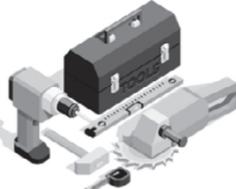


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PARCEL ID# 29-09S-04W-4200-0001-020
CERTIFICATE NUMBER: 1083
CERTIFICATE YEAR: 2011

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: LOTS 2 AND 3, BLOCK 1 OF KELLY'S PLAT OF THE CITY OF CARRABELLE, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 2, PAGE(S) 20, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA.

PROPERTY ADDRESS: N/A
NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED: ANGELINE DONALDSON

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PARCEL ID# 14-07S-04W-3131-000N-0310
CERTIFICATE NUMBER: 278
CERTIFICATE YEAR: 2013

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: LOT 31, BLOCK N OF LANARK BEACH UNIT NO. 1, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 2, PAGE(S) 13, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA.

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 143 Georgia Street, Lanark Beach, FL
NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED: WALTER R. YOUNG, 11

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT DONALD J. SHEMWELL, the holder of the following 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:

PARCEL ID# 29-09S-06W-7315-0088-0260
CERTIFICATE NUMBER: 871

CERTIFICATE YEAR: 2014

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: LOT 26, Block 88 of ST. GEORGE ISLAND GULF BEACHES UNIT NO. 5, According to the Plat Book 3, Page(s) 16& 17, of the Public Records of Franklin County, Florida

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 332 Needly Street, St. George Island, FL
NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED: Jim L. Clasen and Jolyn Clasen, husband and Wife

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Lose something during the hurricane?

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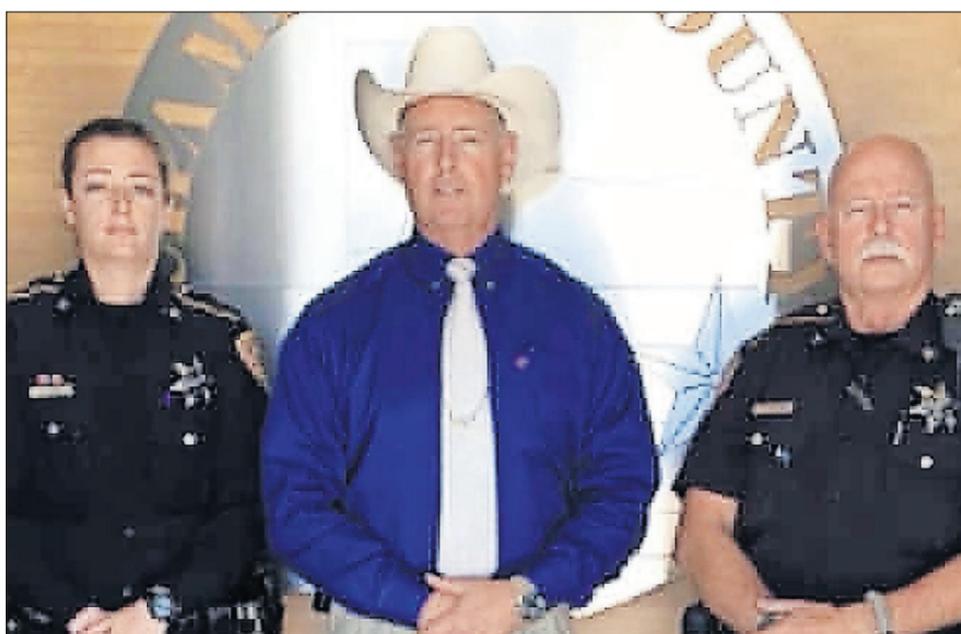
Commissioners decline to reinstate burn ban

Franklin County Commissioners have decided not to reinstate a burn ban that was put in place after Hurricane Michael and later lifted.

Citing the presence of debris piles that remain on the roadside, Commissioner Ricky Jones made a motion at Monday morning's special meeting to keep the burn ban in place, but the motion died for lack of a second.

Sheriff A.J. Smith has asked that citizens act responsibly and keep a watch on whatever they burn.

By unanimous consent, the commissioners did ratify an extension of the Local State of Emergency that had been declared by Chairman Smokey Parrish, pursuant to authority delegated to him by the board of county commissioners.



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Returning the favor

When Hurricane Harvey last year struck Chambers County, a community east of Houston, Texas, between Trinity Bay and Lake Anahuac, a relief effort from the Franklin County Sheriff's Office, carrying loads of supplies and \$10,000, headed out to that community to help. A year later, when Hurricane Michael hit

here, Sheriff Brian C. Hawthorne, at center in photo, together with his staff headed east to repay the kindness. They also had two flats on the way, but on Oct. 17, they presented Sheriff A.J. Smith and his staff with a \$20,000 check for the FCSO Charity Fund, plus truckloads of needed supplies.

"My hats off to the people

of Chambers County," said Smith. "I hope other sheriffs around the country know we are the first and last line of defense in our counties, and we have to stand strong together to keep what everybody's working for and the freedom and liberties we have. We'll always be a strong country as long as we have strong sheriffs."

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