Hurricane season 2013 started June 1 and it took just days for the first official tropical storm to develop in the Gulf of Mexico.

Tropical Storm Andrea is the first named storm of the 2013 hurricane season and tropical storm warnings are posted along Florida’s west coast for Thursday, according to the National Hurricane Center in Miami.

Hurricane Season 2013 Predictions

The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration in late May predicted an “active” hurricane season with the Atlantic seeing three to six “major hurricanes” before the season ends in November.

NOAA predicts:

• Thirteen to 20 named storms (winds of 39 mph or higher)
• Four to eight hurricanes (winds of 74 mph or higher)
• One to three storms of Category 3, 4 or 5
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Teenagers and young adults can be particularly at risk when driving. The teenagers are still learning the rules of the road and don’t have the experience that older drivers have.

Hurricane Preparedness and Tips

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• Review your infant and young children supplies especially if you are expecting a new baby.
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St. Philip's and area Episcopal Church Community Announcements

• UBE Convocation – Momentum is gathering for this historic gathering of Black Episcopalians from here in America and other fellow Anglicans from the Caribbean and Europe. Convocation dates are June 30th-July 3rd.

• Spring Yard and Food Sale: The spring sale will begin on Saturday, May 18 at 8:30 a.m. and end on May 19 at 4:00 p.m. All proceeds will go to the Youth Church.

• Ride for Freedom and Reconciliation: The Diocese is offering scholarships for those youth desirous of joining this event. To apply, please contact the parish office.

• UBE Convocation: The Gathering's theme, “Youth of Today...”, is dedicated to our youth.
Father’s Day was fast approaching so Grandma took a then three-year-old Lil Meechie to the local drug store. Once they were inside Butterfield’s, grandma showed him all the cards for dads and told him to pick one.

After shopping for about 15 minutes grandma finally looked back and saw Lil Meechie picking up one card after another, opening them up and quickly shoving them back into slots, every which way. “Dementrious, what are you doing?” his grandmother asked. “Haven’t you found a nice card yet?”

“No,” Lil Meechie replied. “I’m looking for one with money in it!”

Lupus Disproportionately Affects Women of Color

Lupus disproportionately affects women of color and is often misdiagnosed in Black women in particular due in part to unconscious biases, but also because its symptoms vary and mimic other illnesses.

“There needs to be awareness in the African American community that 75 percent of women who get lupus are women of color,” she says. “We need to know what this looks like and how we can turn the tide and use our voices to have an impact on health inequities.”

Lupus is a chronic, inflammatory autoimmune disorder affecting the connective tissue, where the body’s own immune system attacks healthy cells and tissues, causing inflammation and malfunction of various organ systems. In lupus, the organ systems most often involved include the skin, kidneys, blood and joints. In some cases, lupus may be a mild disorder affecting only a few organ systems. In other cases, it may result in serious complications and death.

According to the U.S. Department of Health, Black women are three times more likely to get lupus than White women. Black and Latino women are also more likely to get lupus at a younger age and suffer from more severe symptoms like kidney problems. In particular, Black women with lupus have more problems with seizures, strokes and dangerous swelling of the heart muscle. Overall, nine out of ten adults diagnosed with lupus are women aged 15-45.

AARP Fighting for Affordable Health Care for those Uninsured in Florida

By Vincent Jacobbi

AARP knows how important health care is to you and your loved ones – especially to people age 50+ who are too young for Medicare but who can’t afford to buy private health insurance. That is why AARP is fighting to persuade Florida legislators not to turn away $51 billion in our own federal tax dollars that could provide coverage for up to 1 million uninsured Floridians of modest means.

In early May, Florida lawmakers ended the 2013 regular session by failing to expand health coverage in the 2013 state legislative session. Though Gov. Rick Scott and the state Senate favored accepting federal help to expand health coverage, state House leaders balked. Now Florida is at risk of seeing $51 billion of our own federal tax dollars go back to Washington.

AARP volunteer radio hosts Billie Holmes and Melvin Wooden, both of Jacksonville, focused attention on this issue in their recent radio interview program on WCGL-AM 1360. Together, Ms. Holmes and Wooden brought information to listeners showing how accepting our own federal tax dollars would have helped up to 260,000 people age 50 and older get badly needed coverage. The program would have also provided hundreds of millions of extra dollars per year to Florida hospitals, while also creating jobs.

Yet the same state House members who balked at health coverage for others have no problems accepting health insurance for themselves. House members pay just $8.34 a month for state-subsidized health care next year, or $30 a month to cover their entire family. To urge state lawmakers to expand health coverage in a special legislative session later this year, please call 1-888-222-4121.

AARP volunteer communications intern.

WANT WORK? JOB FAIR

Monday, June 10 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Prime Osborn

Stop by the Florida and Georgia booth-We need help.
New Bethlehem Missionary Baptist Church, 1824 Prospect Street celebrated the installation of their new Pastor, Rev. Dr. Marion A. Wise, this past weekend beginning Friday, May 24 with a highly spirit filled, old fashion hand clapping, foot putting Pre-Installation Celebration with old time hymns, inspirational dancers, harmony quartets, and several spirit filled soloists by many other artists who brought the congregation to its feet all night long.

Saturday was a day of fun, games and free food for all. The young and young at heart enjoyed bouncy houses, horse shoes, dominos, checkers, water slides, hot dogs, hamburgers, food chicken, grilled fish, other foods and many, many other games. A full day of games and fun under tents and in the sun was enjoyed by friends, neighbors, members and others in attendance.

The excitement and momentum spilled over into the Sunday Morning Worship, which was well attended by friends, members and their families. Many came to hear Pastor Wise speak, having heard what a dynamic preacher/teacher that he is. Pastor Wise did not disappoint anyone.

Sunday evening, at 4:00 pm, The Official Installation Service & Ceremony began. Pastor Robert Herring of Mt. Bethel Missionary Baptist Church was the presider of both the Worship Service and the Official Installation Ceremony.

Pastor Marion A. Wise & First Lady Nikasha M. Wise was escorted into the Sanctuary by New Bethlehem’s Chairman of Deacons Ministry and President of the Deaconess Ministry.

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The installation began immediately with singing of the hymn “A Charge To Keep I Have” led by Pastor Quan Glover of Young Zion Baptist Church. The Charge to the Pastor was given by Pastor Robert Herring of Mt. Bethel Baptist Church. Installation prayer was given by Rev. Joe Calhoun, Pastor Emeritus of New Bethlehem. Rev. Dr. E. I Norman, Moderator Emeritus of EPBA, presented the new Pastor to the church which was received by much acceptance, adoration and love.

After words of appreciation and remarks from chairpersons & Officers, expression of thanks and gratitude came from Pastor Marion and First Lady Nikasha Wise. The closing remarks & benediction was given by Pastor Johnny Johnson.

New Bethlehem: “The Church Where God Provides Hope, Help & Healing”.

Friday Night Praise & Worship (5/24/13)

Saturday Community Fun Day (5/25/13)

Sunday Installation Service 4:00 pm (5/26/13)
Union of Black Episcopalians To Host National Conference in Jacksonville

Story by Marsha Dean Phellos

Pictures by M. R. Phellos and Frank M. Powell

Throughout the year the National Union of Black Episcopalians—President, John E. Harris, Jr. (Virginia Beach) and the National Treasurer as well as President of Province IV, Cameron Richard Miller, (Miami) have been meeting with the members of the Jacksonville Union of Black Episcopalians. The initial visit of President Harris and Cameron miller served a two-fold purpose to: 1. Rename the Jacksonville Union of Black Episcopalians in honor of Sidney Baines Parker and 2. to assist the Sidney Baines Parker UBE in planning for the 45th Conference.

Father Hugh Chapman, Rector of St. Philip’s arranged for President Harris and Carmen Miller to meet with The Right Reverend Samuel Howard who is the 9th Bishop of the Diocese of Florida. Bishop Howard enthusiastically embraces this historical gathering, pledging his full support and the support of the Diocese.

Local UBE: President, Alma Flowers, along with Father Parker’s widow, Carolyn Burdine Parker graciously received the charter and plaque and the official renaming of the chapter. Clement Hall, Sr., a charter member of UBE upon its founding in 1968 was also present to witness this occasion along with 50 members of the Local Arrangements Committee from St. Philip’s and St. Gabriel’s. The Sidney B. Parker-UBE has the distinction of being one of the first UBE organizations in the nation. For a quarter of a century, Father Parker, throughout the 1970s, 1980s and into the 1990s was the very popular congregation building rector and communicator of both St. Philip’s and St. Gabriell’s Episcopal Churches. Parker also taught at the Episcopal High School and Edward Waters College.

Walk through of Planning Structure Conference Guidelines. An historic Convocation of Episcopal Communities of African Descent is being held in conjunction with the National 45th Anniversary Annual Meeting and Conference of UBE. These historic events are being held in Jacksonville, June 24-28, 2013. The Hyatt Hotel will be among several venues for activities of the UBE and the Episcopal Church. The Sidney B. Parker-UBE will serve as Host Chapter to hundreds of UBE members from more than 55 chapters throughout the United States and the Caribbean with members in Canada, Africa and Latin America. After 145 years a Reconciliation Service Commissioned by Bishop Howard and Father Hugh Chapman will be held prior to the 45th Annual Conference of the UBE. On June 20, a Race Relations panel will be held at St. Philip’s and on the following Sunday, June 23, the congregation from St. John’s Cathedral will walk from the Cathedral at Church and Market Streets to St. Philip’s on Union and Pearl Streets for morning worship and to reconcile the incident that caused Helen Dill Johnson to leave the Episcopal Church after attending St. John’s 145 years ago.

In his autobiography, Alone This Way James Weldon Johnson wrote of his mother’s dismissal from the Church. It was something that neither forgot and because of Johnson’s writing...neither will history. “And so it was that one Sunday morning Circa 1860 she went to worship at St. John’s Episcopal Church. As one who had been a member in the choir of (NYC) Christ Church Cathedral she went quite innocently. She went, in fact, not knowing any better. In the chanting of the service her soprano voice rang out clear and beautiful, and all the world could not understand the beauty, and she was never to be heard in the church again. She went, and was expelled from the Church...”

In 1968, a young black female rector, to serve on UBE Conference Committee, the Rev. Carrie R. English, Diocese of Florida’s first Black female rector, to serve on UBE Conference workshop panel Dr. Geraldine Smith, Cynthia Baker, Jylva Kornkeleton, Reverend Carrie English, Linda Bryant, Dorothy Lemons, Cheryl Walters, Veronica Mitchell. The Rev. Deborah Mitchell Jackson joined St. Mark’s in October 2012 to serve in Interim Associate Rector. Deborah is a native of Jacksonville who was a parishioner at St. Philip’s and worked in the insurance industry before going to seminary at Sewanee and graduating in 2007.

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An Anonymous Tip Leads to Homicide Arrest

A homicide suspect was arrested after an anonymous tip was received.

Deputies responded to a shooting at approximately 11:24 p.m. and discovered the victim, 12-year-old Michael Gilbert, deceased in the front yard of the residence. The victim and a male friend were over at the residence visiting the male homeowner. At approximately 11:20 p.m., 28-year-old Fabian Demetrick Williams, while armed with a semi-automatic pistol approached Gilbert and the homeowner and demanded money. Williams was able to get away with approximately $150.00 in cash. During this time, Williams’ accomplice, an unknown black or Hispanic male also armed with a semi-automatic pistol, approached Gilbert while Williams forced the homeowner into the residence at gunpoint. Upon entering the residence Williams confronted his friend who was trying to exit the residence. The friend engaged in a physical altercation with Williams which continued outside the residence. The homeowner and friend fled the area following the confrontation.

Anonymous Tip to Crime Stoppers

Three Killed After a Making Fun of a Victim

Officer with Violence

Anonymous Tip leads to Homicide Arrest

At approximately 12:43 a.m., officers responded to a bar in reference to a shooting. Upon arrival, officers located three subjects laying outside the business, along the sidewalk, each suffering from gunshot wounds. Two were deceased on scene from gunshot wounds to the head and one was pronounced deceased at a local hospital shortly thereafter.

Detectives responded and worked throughout the rest of the night investigating these homicides. As part of the investigation, an officer and her K-9 partner conducted and article search in the area. They were able to locate a handgun in a nearby trash bin as a result of this search. The weapon was a 9mm semi-automatic. It has not yet been identified as the actual weapon used in these shootings.

Detectives were able to identify a person of interest, who was contacted and transported to the police department. Major Crimes Section, for interview. This subject, 31-year-old Andrew Joseph Lobban upon being interviewed by Detectives, said he shot all three of the victims outside of the bar. Lobban advised that they had all worked together as bouncers at a different location. Lobban advised that one of the victims had recently “punked” him and video taped it then shown the other two victims. They had all laughed at Lobban and teased him about the video, causing him embarrassment. Lobban advised that he had harbored ill will towards the three since this had occurred.

Man Threatens to Spray Gas on Victims during Robbery

At approximately 9:11 p.m., patrol officers responded to a Shell Gas Station. Officers spoke with three victims who said 38-year-old Reggie Randall approached them. The victims told officers Randall started yelling and threatening the subjects. The victims also said that Randall grabbed the gas pump, aimed it at the victims, threatened to spray gas on them and told them he’d send them to the hospital. Victims told officers Randall yelled, “Give me everything you have.”

The victims did not give Randall anything of value. Randall fled the area in a maroon Toyota at a nearby street.

The victims came to police headquarters and were shown a lineup. All three victims positively identified Randall as the suspect.

Randall was arrested and charged with three counts of attempted robbery.

Missing Children

Recognizing Child Abuse

Child abuse and neglect occur when a parent, caregiver, or another person in a custodial role (e.g., clergy, coach, teacher, etc.) fails to act, or acts in a manner that results in the death, serious physical or emotional harm, or sexual abuse or exploitation of a child.

Who is a person of interest?

• State that they do not like each other
• Rarely touch or look at each other
• Asks teachers or other caregivers to use harsh physical discipline if the child misbehaves
• Shows little concern for the child
• Denies the existence of—or blames the child for—the child’s problems in school or at home
• Asks teachers or other caregivers to use harsh physical discipline if the child misbehaves
• Sees the child as entirely bad, worthless, or burdensome
• Demands a level of physical or academic performance the child cannot achieve
• Looks primarily to the child for care, attention, and satisfaction of emotional needs
• Statements like “I don’t love you,” “I never wanted you,” “You’ll never amount to anything”
• Considers the relationship entirely negative
• Denies help or support for the child, or refuses to take any action to help the child

What Parents can do to Avoid Child Abuse

• Take a deep breath. Take a few more. Remember, you are the adult.
• Close your eyes and imagine you are hearing what your child has to say; hear, or envision the same punishment
• Press your lips together and count to 20.
• Put yourself in a “time-out” chair. Are you really angry at the child or is it something else.
• Call a friend to talk about it.
• If someone can watch the children, go out for a walk.
• Take a hot bath or splash cold water on your face.
• Turn on some music. Sing along if you want.
• Pick up a pencil and write down a list of helpful words, not words that will hurt.

Citizens with tips are encouraged to call Crime Stoppers at 1-866-845-TIPS. You can remain anonymous and become eligible for a reward.

Most Wanted

Name: Jahlilena Bondestrauw
Offense: Robbery

Name: Antonio Belchea
Offense: Traffic in Stolen Property

Name: Reshion D. Blues
Offense: Resisting Officer with Violence

Name: Precious Carter
Age: 15
Weight: 120 lbs
Last seen: 5/18/13

Name: Klymaya Chambers
Age: 16
Weight: 145 lbs
Last seen: 5/20/13

Name: Tyrene Arnold
Age: 16
Weight: 140 lbs
Last seen: 6/2/13

Name: Christina Burns
Age: 17
Weight: 275 lbs
Last seen: 5/24/13

Name: Michael Bonesteel
Age: 22
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City Of Jacksonville Plays Major Role In Cultural Documentary, Hosting Caribbean & Bahamas Team

Photos by Frank M. Powell III (Star)

Africa Allah & Shannon ‘Hollywood Kid’ Crawford (DHRadiocast)

What started off as a spinoff from an already popular Caribbean reality show has now become a major road to self discovery, connecting a group of Caribbean up and comers with their culture, heritage and the City of Jacksonville. Thanks, primarily to Clara McLaughlin and The Florida Star, iconic opera singer Roz Burroughs, the historic Ritz Theater, Jacksonville City Hall and Fort Mose, the Bahamas40Atl cast members now have a better understanding of how their ancestors are tied to the city.

Among those featured on the show, set to air this summer are Miss Universe Bahamas 2012 Celeste Marshall, Rake ‘n’ Scrape artist Stileet, Trinidadian musician and entertainer Jah Bami and our very own Arthia Nixon of The Florida/Georgia Star who served as project coordinator.

“JEM Media Group and DHRadiocast, producers of the show sought more than just an entertainment factor,” stated Nixon. “Yes, Miss Marshall served as grand marshal in this year’s Atlanta Caribbean Carnival but the producers wanted to educate viewers, especially as The Bahamas is getting ready to celebrate its 40th year of independence. I was coming down to Jacksonville anyway and immediately got with Miss Clara McClaughlin of the Florida Star who was instrumental in pointing me in the right direction.”

According to Nixon, the right direction was former State Senator Tony Hill, who started the journey at City Hall in the Office of The Mayor. After shocking the guests with his knowledge of street names, churches and citizens of The Bahamas, he and Councilwoman Mia Jones began piecing together the puzzle of how Jacksonville has a prominent place in Bahamian and Caribbean history. He then escorted delegates to the Ritz Theater where curator Miss Lydia, revealed the story behind the song Lift Every Voice And Sing and the fact the brothers behind it were born of a Bahamian woman.

After an educational and hands on experience at Fort Mose, the delegates dined at Gypsy Cab Co. in St Augustine’s before heading back to get prepared for a dinner hosted by Jacksonville gem and opera diva ‘Auntie Roz’ Burroughs. There, tears were shed during an emotional thank you to the Star by Nixon. However, the highlight for the evening came after dinner when Stileet took the mic and gave guests a taste of Junkanoo and the indigenous Bahamian sound known as Rake ‘n’ Scrape while teaching some authentic Bahamian dances. Trinidadian, Jah Bami then serenaded the hostess with his smooth sultry reggae melody.

With filming now wrapped and post production in session, Jacksonville is expected to appear in more than one episode. In fact, Fmr. Senator Hill confirmed that a group from Jacksonville will be heading over to The Bahamas in July to celebrate the nation’s 40th Independence.

For more information visit www.diradiocast.com

Two Beauties: Ms Senior Jacksonville with Miss Universe Bahamas.

Luke Engram (Mature Movement Entertainment) and Pure treat the group to VIP night.

Miss Universe Bahamas with Marsha Dean Phelts (above) and Frank Powell II (right). Below: ‘The Star’s’ Demetrius ‘Lil Powell III (right). Below: (above) and Frank with Marsha Dean Phelts Miss Universe Bahamas.

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Jah Bami crowns Auntie Roz Caribbean queen

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36th Annual Sea Islands African Heritage Festival Focuses On Future While Highlighting History

By Arthia Nixon
Photos by Frank M. Powell III & Angela Favors-Morrell
Georgia/Florida Staff

(St Simons Island, Ga) Gascoigne Park was a cornucopia of culture playing host to the Sea Islands African Heritage Festival, canopied by Spanish moss covered trees, with porpoises swimming along the bay in the backdrop. In what organizer Amy Roberts described as one of the best years of the event, Miss Universe Bahamas, former Senator Tony Hill, Gullah Geechee culture keepers, dancers, youth and church groups, plus Rake ‘n’ Scrape artist Stileet from The Bahamas and Jah Bami of Trinidad and Tobago all made well received appearances.

Former Florida State Senator Tony Hill, from the Office of the Mayor, City of Jacksonville, FL (left with wife and Celeste Marshall Miss Universe Bahamas), was instrumental in connecting Jacksonville, St Simons Island, The Bahamas and Caribbean through African ancestry. He spent Friday and Saturday with a Caribbean delegation, educating them on the links, which will be showcased in an upcoming documentary set to air this summer.

The Florida and Georgia Star also joined in with Angela Favors-Morrell, Demetrius Lawrence and Arthia Nixon each taking the stage to introduce various acts.

Pulled pork, barbeque chicken and iced treats were aplenty, while local artisans also had their stalls on display. However, it was the booth that Roberts herself sat at that gave a peek into the rich history of St Simons Island and the old African American school at the center of the fundraising. She gently flipped through two large portfolios and newspaper clippings, stating the challenges faced by African-Americans post Civil War, recalling the Ibo people who held hands and chose to drown themselves in the marsh instead of work as slaves and explaining why some of the land owned by African Americans, while worth millions, will never be sold.

“When you are ready for a real tour of the island, we’ll give you one that doesn’t have a thing to do with tourism,” she joked. “This island is a living testament as to who we are as African Americans and Afro-Caribbean people. We are cousins… we are related… we have to tell our stories because they are not too many written records of it. Events like this introduce our children to the sight, to the sound and to the dialects. It shows them who we are and how far we have come. It also provides them with a clue as to where they ought to go.”

While Roberts did not reveal how much was earned over the two day event, she did say that the proceeds will go towards restoring the old school house. She added that other events will be held throughout the year and that support is growing on a larger scale.

“We are grateful to the media like you all, because you allow us to spread the story in ways we could not,” she said. “We have to say thank you for that because you gave us a voice and people hear what’s happening and that is a major part of us keeping our heritage alive.”
DEACON JONES DIES AT THE AGE OF 74

He was a 6-1/4-pound afterthought who became one of the greatest defensive ends in NFL history. David "Deacon" Jones brought an entirely new level of fame to his position by authoring the "sack" term used by all who tackle quarterbacks behind the line of scrimmage. And perfecting the head-slap technique that was so devastating, the NFL eventually outlawed it. Always outspoken, Jones lived a boisterous and happy life throughout his 74 years, but he had passed away of natural causes at his Southern California home. He is survived by his wife, Elizabeth.

Redskins general manager Bruce Allen's father George, one of the NFL's great defensive coordinators before he became a head coach, had Jones as part of the Los Angeles Rams' "Fearless Fourtune" defense from 1966 through 1970. That defensive line, which also included Merlin Olsen, Rosey Grier, and Lamar Lundy, was one of the finest position groups the NFL has ever known.

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Jones, a pass rusher who mastered the art of sacking quarterbacks, was a menace for the San Diego Chargers in 1972 and 1973, and the Redskins to finish his career in 1974, is credited as having amass 100 solo tackles in a single season. He was named the NFL's Defensive Player of the Year in both 1967 and 1968, was named to five straight first-team NFL All-Pro teams from 1965 through 1969, and is part of the NFL's 75th Anniversary Team. "Deacon" led the NFL in sacks seven times (1966, 1967, 1968, 1970, 1972, 1973, 1974). He was named to the NFL's 75th anniversary team, established in 1994. In 1999, Sports Illustrated named him the "Defensive End of the Century."

"Deacon Jones, for me, is an absolute institution," Hall of Fame defensive tackle Warren Sapp told the NFL Network on Monday evening. "Growing up in Orlando, I heard the stories about Deacon Jones, from Eatonville, Florida, running down wide receivers as a defensive lineman. Then, you heard the stories about the head-slap — helmets ringing inside stadiums, all the way to the top. Deacon Jones signified what it was to be a great warrior on the defensive line."

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"We're going to miss the man, the legend, the guy who was D.C. royalty," Redskins general manager Bruce Allen said in a statement on the Redskins' official site. "He was a bigger than life personality and he was going to leave a big footprint on this community."

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As people tried to put into words what Jerry "J.T." Townsend Jr. meant to them, they kept returning to this idea. They had planned to give him something — a meal, money from a charity golf tour- nament, a few hours of their time, but he ended up giving them much more.

Townsend Jr. died early Wednesday morning, nearly nine years after an injury in a high school football game left him paralyzed. He was 26 years old.

"J.T. Townsend Jr. touched the lives of many," said Jaguars general manager David Caldwell. "He was a special young man who inspired everyone who knew him."

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