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Autry, community's 'local pharmacist,' passes away

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They worked in different aspects of healthcare, but one was just as highly thought of as the other in this community.

Dr. Pete Gianas and Pharmacist Bobby Autry.

The community lost Gianas in July 2021. Now, it has lost Autry, who passed away on Oct. 22.

Autry, 75, served Bradford County and the surrounding area for 49 years in retail, hospital and nursing-home pharmacies. He was known as "the local pharmacist," which described more than simply where he worked. He truly cared about the people who lived in the local community.

Stephen Murphy, who's married to Autry's sister-in-law Audrey, said in a Feb. 11, 2021, Telegraph-Times-Monitor interview that Autry was eager to help anyone at any hour of the day and that he would make house calls to deliver people's prescriptions. "He'd do anything in the world for you," Murphy said.

Debbie McCullough Hardin, who worked with Autry at Eckerd/CVS, shared a similar sentiment on a Facebook post, writing: "This man was one of a kind. He will be missed beyond measure! I cannot express what he meant to my family! He always helped us regardless of the time of day or night."

Patients followed him to different pharmacies

Murphy said people had so much trust in Autry that they would follow him from one pharmacy to another.

In an Oct. 25, 2018, Telegraph-Times-Monitor story about Autry joining his son, Jim (also a pharmacist), at Keystone Heights' North Florida Pharmacy, Autry said, "A lot of people have followed me over here. I understand that some cannot because of transportation, finances and other reasons, but what I've really been surprised by is the number of people that walk in whom I have dealt with in the past. Probably a third of the people that come in, I have known from past stops. I told one lady, 'I haven't seen you in 20 years. Now I've seen you three times in the past week.'"

Autry began working at North Florida Pharmacy in early 2018 after working at pharmacies (Mitchell's, Eckerd/CVS, Madison Street Pharmacy) in Starke.

Helped during drug shortages

In a comment on a Bradford County Fire Rescue Facebook post about Autry's death, Carol Smith wrote: "I don't believe there is a person in Bradford County who hasn't been touched by Bobby's kindness and genuine concern for his patients. It didn't matter whether they were financially well off or counting pennies to pay for a prescription. He always went above and beyond to meet the needs of his patients. He treated everyone with the same level of respect. He was such a good man. We were definitely blessed to have him call Bradford County home."

Allen Parrish, the former director of Bradford County Fire Rescue, wrote the following on Facebook: "There are no words to adequately describe how much Bobby Autry impacted



Bobby Autry, who served as a pharmacist in the community for approximately 50 years, passed away at the age of 75 on Oct. 22. File photo by Cliff Smelley.

people for the better."

House calls weren't the only examples of Autry's service beyond pharmacy walls. Part of Bradford County Fire Rescue's Facebook post read: "What most may not realize is how hard Bobby worked behind the scenes to help carry our fire-rescue department through countless nationwide drug shortages. While many departments were having to go without certain medications for extended periods of time, we could count on Bobby to find a way to get us what we needed."

Made Bradford County a better place

One gets the sense that Autry, a 1966 Bradford High School graduate, could've gone into any career and still show love for those in his community. Commenting on Bradford County Fire Rescue's Facebook post, Tammie Grassel wrote: "He was always the nicest, kindest soul with the best stories."

On the tribute wall on Autry's obituary on the Jones-Gallagher Funeral Home website, Kenna Wilkerson wrote: "He was an awesome friend, amazing pharmacist and just all-around great man. I loved it when I was young, going into Mitchell's Drug Store to sit and have lunch and hear Bobby singing as he filled prescriptions. Bobby never met a stranger — always had a kind word and a smile."

Darah Palmer, who worked under Autry at Madison Street Pharmacy, wrote on Facebook: "Bobby Autry made Bradford County a better place. He made the world a better place! He was the definition of pure and selfless."

Two men who left large legacies

The Bradford County Fire Rescue Facebook post described Autry as "a true pillar of our community" and a person "who dedicated himself to the betterment of others."

Bobby and Dr. Pete — two men who left large legacies in this community. They were tied together by their service, but they also enjoyed a personal relationship. Autry's obituary stated that he was predeceased by Gianas, "his best friend of 39 years."

Many in the community truly lost a friend as well in Autry.

"Your over-generous and kind heart will be missed," Hardin wrote on Facebook. "So glad you are in God's arms now, but so sad not to have you with us here in earth."

Smith ended her comment on Bradford County Fire Rescue's Facebook post by writing: "We will be forever grateful to have been blessed by Bobby Autry."

Back to Raiford, 2023



Johnny Sharp and Zoe Grogan enjoy a game of Skee Ball at the tent set up by Tasha Sharp of Lovely Homes Realty.

BY TRACY LEE TATE
Special to the Times

LAKE BUTLER—The City of Raiford held its annual Back to Raiford Day celebration last Saturday, Oct. 21, 2023, a tradition born to celebrate the town and to encourage former residents to return for a visit.

The day was sunny but not too hot, and the field behind the community center was filled with activities for the children, as well as several tables from local causes, government organizations and businesspeople. The concession stand was serving hot dogs, chips, cotton candy, cold drinks and snow cones, free to all. There was also a cart full of free ice cream treats and the owners of the tables were giving out goodies as well. There was a prize drawing, an afternoon BINGO game and a community dinner inside the community center. All of the activities were carried out to the sounds of a profession DJ, who

played tunes for those who danced and the many who wanted to, but instead walked in time with the music beat and "busted a move" or two when they thought no one was looking.

The tables included: County Commissioner Channing Dobbs and his family, Waste N Time Garbage Services, Lovely Homes Realty/Tasha Sharp, U.S. Forestry Service, United for a Cure and Opal & Company Salon. The salon is owned by Addie Kaye Yarbrough, the granddaughter of the late Geraldine Opal Griffiths. It is the salon run by Griffiths after her retirement from the Union County School District.

For the youngsters there was a cornhole game, four inflatable bounce houses, skee ball and other games and activities while the adults found entertainment in watching the kids and talking with friends and neighbors. About 350 people came out to enjoy the day and community spirit.

'There's no respect'



The city said on social media that leaving city parks trashed is a regular occurrence.

KEYSTONE HEIGHTS—The city council approved the first reading of a new park rules to curtail vandalism in the municipality's beach park. The new rules apply to all of the city's recreational properties but are aimed at the city's beach park on South Lawrence Boulevard.

The new rules prohibit climbing on benches or tables, bringing an aggressive or unleashed animal into a park, skateboarding or similar activities, swimming around the beach park's kayak launch, and playing radios or other sound-producing devices loud enough to be heard more than 10 feet away.

City Manager Lynn Rutkowski said the new ordinance would allow law enforcement to ask people to leave the parks even though they have not broken state statutes.

Another proposed rule would require minors to be accompanied by an adult 18 or older.

Council Member Steve Hart recommended changing the accompanying adult's age to 21 and requiring the adult to be a parent or guardian of the minor.

"I guess the way this is written, an 18-year-old buddy would be the supervising person,"

The other council members agreed

to change the adult's age to 21 or older.

Mayor Nina Rodenroth said she had seen people 18, 19, or older "going crazy" at the city's pavilion within the beach park.

"They had a bicycle up there," she said. They brought their skateboards in."

The mayor added that teenagers rampaging through the facility are likely chasing away young families wanting to use the park.

"These kids make them feel threatened, and then they just leave, so the kids don't get to enjoy the park," she told her colleagues.

The mayor added that if the stiffer rules do not reduce undesirable behavior within the facility, then the city should consider hiring security for the park.

"The next step to me is physical security because I've been looking at it online," she said. "We are not alone with these challenges across the country, and that might be something for future consideration."

Council Member Tony Brown said the problems at the park represent a cultural trend.

"There is no respect for anybody else's property or their wellbeing, and that's a shame," he said.



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Turkey shoot now through Nov. 18

The Sons of AMVETS will hold their annual turkey shoot every Saturday beginning October 14 and continue through November 18 at AMVETS Post 86 in Keystone Heights. Sign-ups start at 9 a.m. Scopes may not be used.

Legislative delegation hearing in Bradford

The Bradford County Legislative Delegation hearing has been scheduled for Tuesday, Oct. 31, at 1 p.m. in the Bradford County Commission Meeting Room at the courthouse, 945 N. Temple Ave. in Starke.

The legislative delegation holds a public hearing each year to afford local officials, members of the public, and other interested parties the opportunity to present legislative proposals or express opinions on state issues.

The delegation includes Sen. Jennifer Bradley (R-Fleming Island) and Rep. Chuck Brannan (R-Macclenny). The 2024 Regular Session of the Florida Legislature will convene on Tuesday, Jan. 9 in Tallahassee.

For additional information or to be placed on the agenda for the hearing, contact Brannan's office at 386-758-0405, or email jason.carter@myfloridahouse.gov or Alisa.Bergmann@myfloridahouse.gov.

Witches Ride Oct. 27

The Downtown Grill's second annual Witches Ride and Wine Event will take place Friday, Oct. 27, from 6 to 9 p.m.

Join in a night of fun! Put on your witch gear, grab a bike (with a broom attached), or decorate a golf cart, and meet everyone at The Downtown Grill at 6 p.m. Take a ride through downtown Starke and return to the restaurants for snacks and a wine tasting.

The \$25 donation to attend will be donated to Bradford County Education Foundation and Communities in Schools.

Democratic Women meet Oct. 26

The Democratic Women's Club of the Lakes Area's regular monthly meeting will be held on Thursday, Oct. 26. Our speaker will be Jose Molina on the topic of Hispanic voting differences in north and south Florida. All Democrats are welcome, and doors open at 6:30 p.m. (meeting begins at 7 p.m.) at the Melrose Historic Homemakers Club, 25728 Park St.. For further information, please contact 352-235-4161 or Info@dwc-la.org.





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Lake Region

Clay school district hears from public on book purge



Clay School District Police remove Bruce Friedman from the podium after he refuses to stop reading from a book available at school libraries. Image: Clay County Public Schools.

Lewandoski returning to city council

Replaces Bobby Brown, who resigned for health reasons

KEYSTONE HEIGHTS—The Keystone Heights City Council selected former Council Member Dan Lewandoski to fill the remaining term of Councilman Bobby Brown.

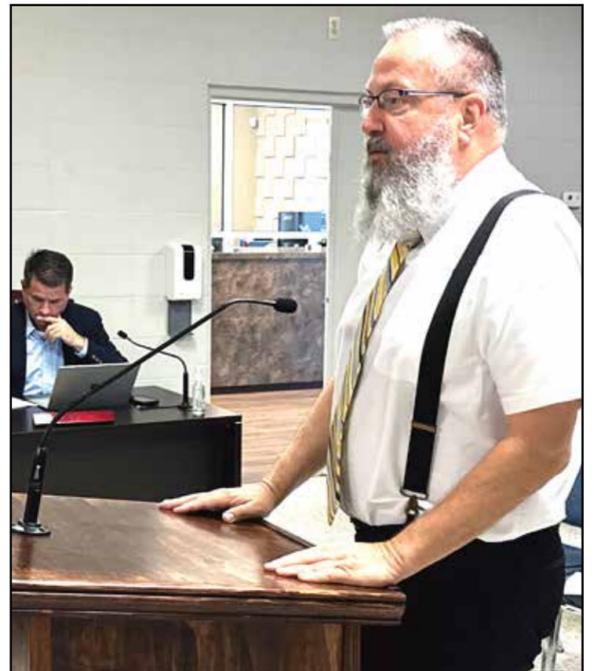
Lewandoski served on the council from 2015 to 2018 and is a retired Air Force colonel. Brown resigned earlier this month, citing health reasons. His term runs through April 2024.

Also applying for the seat were Ryan A. Knight and Elston Kussler. Councilman Steve Hart, Vice-mayor Chris Thompson, and Mayor Nina Rodenroth voted for Lewandoski. Tony Brown said he favored Kussler because he asked Kussler to apply for the seat.

Lewandoski's supporters cited his prior city council experience as their reason for supporting him. In addition to his city council experience, he has served on the airport board, growth management committee, and charter review committee.

"In essence, he'll be up to speed," said Hart. "He can sit down and do the job, and there will be no learning curve."

At the beginning of the council meeting, Airport Board Chair David Kirkland endorsed the retired veteran, citing his knowledge of aviation through his military career and his service as an adjunct professor



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BY JAMES WILLIAMS
Special to the Monitor

KEYSTONE HEIGHTS—An October 5 Clay County school board meeting began with District 4 member Michele Hanson, who congratulated the board on its reviews and in some cases purges of objectionable materials from district libraries, sometimes at the request of a single complainant. Not all students, parents, and professional organizations are happy about the effort.

Misinformation claims

Hanson wanted to clear up misinformation about the program, especially seen on social media. "We have not banned 'To Kill a Mockingbird,'" she said.

Hanson agreed the board needed to move on to other important issues, but recommended Clay County construct its own guidelines for the elementary, middle and high school levels instead of merely adopting guidelines composed by Duval County or other agencies.

Hanson said this would "move the district away from the American Library Association's recommendations," which are in sync with PEN America, a professional writers association. Freedom of the press and expression has been PEN'S major concern since 1922.

from PEN published lists of 2023's "most banned books," and supported a recent "banned books week," during which Clay County received negative press locally and statewide.

The list of banned works included what Hanson called "...some of the most disgusting books I have ever read as an English teacher." Her comments were amply dittoed by District 3 member Beth Clark.

Porn does not belong in the school

During public comments, Leanne Lansford said the school library is not the student's home and shouldn't provide literature whose subjects would ordinarily merit parental supervision.

"Reading is all so subjective; the message in some mature books isn't always conveyed, depending on the frame of mind of an adolescent," Lansford told the board. "Either you're going to be a coward and continue the false rhetoric that we're banning books or you're going to stand up and admit we have a problem and work to weed and cultivate our libraries."

Several speakers rejected the term "banning" and suggested less inflammatory descriptions like "cultivating" or "curating."

Judith Chappell said, "Porn does not belong in the school. There are words that are said—the F-word and (all types) of words that we don't use in my home. I don't expect them to be read inside a school library."

Mic cut, escorted away

Bruce Friedman has insisted on reading provocative passages at board meetings. When he attempted to read a selection from "Heroin" at the October meeting as well, his microphone was cut off and he was escorted out.

Tanya Casten is chair of Moms for Liberty, Clay County.

"I am grateful for the courage of Miss Hansen who is willing to stand up for what is right..." she said. "Clay County schools have removed a total of 231 books from the school library... Clay County schools has nearly 180,000 books... less than

one-half of 1 percent (have been removed.) I challenged a book "Push" by Sapphire.... Thankfully...this book has been removed from the libraries; it has not been banned as it is available in the public library or purchased nearly anywhere books are sold. We...must decide how much violence is too much violence; how much gore is too much gore; and how many times a drug-filled needle needs to prick an arm before we decide it maybe isn't appropriate for young minds."

'This mess was created by the teachers' union'

Pamela Henry suggested parents spend time teaching their children critical thought. "God said we're to train our children up in the way that we should go...This mess was created by the teachers' union, it was created by the anti-family, immoral and anti-Christ teachers.... Anybody that's opposing God and morals are anti-family which if you don't know you can read a book on it: it's called Marxism...."

Other speakers like Tara Richardson were against banning, cultivating, or curating school libraries. "We can trust students and their parents to make their own decisions about what they read," she said.

She added that close reading skills are necessary to vote rationally for complex Constitutional Amendments attached to ballots. "Removing and banning books from public school libraries is a dangerous first step to government censorship and an erosion of our country's commitment to freedom of expression."

Less concerned about porn than unreliable air conditioning

To illustrate skewed interpretations of some controversial books, Heather Buentello pointed to "Heroin," which the district reviewed and returned to the shelf. "No teenager is going to read this book and at the end say, 'You know what I think I really want now is to use some heroin.' ...they'll remember what happened to Mickey (in "Heroin.") ...People reduce this 107,000-word book down to 20ish instances of the F word...I would like to propose a requirement that in order for

with Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University.

Lewandoski teaches at Q.I. Roberts Junior-Senior High School in Putnam County, where he has taught math, chemistry, physics, engineering, and aerospace studies.

While discussing the appointment, Council members Tony Brown and Steve Hart said they did not intend to seek

reelection once their current terms are complete.

"I think 27 years is enough," said Brown, "and I want to go off into the sunset, so I will not be running."

Hart said that April will mark his 10th anniversary on the council and that he was pleased to see so many qualified people willing to serve city residents.

school board to focus on keeping our public education accessible and safe from documented dangers negatively affecting our schools, such as censorship, gun violence, bullying, discrimination or sexual misconduct, to list a few."

Clay County flood insurance premiums to drop

KEYSTONE HEIGHTS—Clay County Commissioners said that through work completed by its GIS and economic development staff, federal flood insurance premiums should drop by between 15% and 20% beginning October 1, 2023, in the county's unincorporated areas.

Commission Chair Betsy Condon said that by improving its floodplain maintenance, county staff was able to move the county from Class 7 to Class 6 in FEMA's community rating system, which is a voluntary incentive program that recognizes and encourages community floodplain management practices that exceed the minimum requirements of the National Flood Insurance Program.

According to the FEMA website, in community rating system jurisdictions, flood insurance premium rates are discounted to reflect the reduced flood risk resulting from the local government's efforts to reduce and avoid flood damage to insurable property, strengthen and support the insurance aspects of the National Flood Insurance Program and foster comprehensive floodplain management.

Clay County government censured by Facebook

County Commissioner Betsy Condon said Clay County Government has been notified by Facebook on several occasions that its posts announcing the opening of its public gun range are inappropriate for the social media platform.

In response, the county has been calling the gun range an "Outdoor Adventure Park" on Facebook when publicizing the venue's ribbon cutting on Sept. 29 and open house the following day.

The 200-yard, 30-target-lane gun range is between Camp Blanding and Middleburg. The range accommodates two people in each of the 30 bays. Shooters can use any firearm up to .50 caliber, semi-automatic and fully automatic. The sheriff's office will use the range on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays. The facility will be open to the public for the rest of the week.

Clay Fire Rescue awarded for paramedicine program

Clay County Fire Rescue was awarded the Nicolas Rosencrans award for its community paramedicine program during the EMS World Expo opening ceremonies in New Orleans.

The paramedicine program was launched in 2019 as a response to the county's opioid overdoses. It provides free distribution of naloxone, known under the brand name Narcan, which reverses the effects of opioid overdoses. The paramedicine program also provides patients with short-term suboxone treatments and referrals to Clay Behavioral to help patients break the cycle of addiction. Since 2020, Clay County has seen a 27% decline in overdose-related fatalities.

The Nicholas Rosencrans Award, now in its 22nd year, is given to emergency medical service individuals, teams, or organizations that have demonstrated a commitment to injury and illness prevention. Established in memory of Nicholas Rosencrans, a young boy who drowned in 1996, the award epitomizes the spirit of proactive care. It emerged from the efforts of San Diego paramedics and Nicholas's mother, Lynn Artz, who united to advocate for EMS-driven prevention initiatives.

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Downtown Starke townhomes hinge on property swap

BY MARK J. CRAWFORD
Telegraph Editor

STARKE — The Citywalk project to revitalize Starke's downtown involves building 45 modern and environmentally sustainable townhomes if the city commission agrees to a land swap.

The project was discussed in detail with city commissioners Oct. 17 by Dwight Hewett of The Doran Jason Group of Florida and engineer Chris Raley, president of Sustainable Construction Group.

Hewett said the original vision 18 years ago was an 84-unit apartment complex on the same parcels just east of the city's Downtown Square on Call Street. It even predates the square and its bandshell, which were developed on the site of the city's former powerplant.

As a proof-of-concept that people living downtown would support local merchants and restaurants, Hewett purchased the former Rexall drug store (now Tip Thai) in 2005 and renovated it into a multiuse building with commercial space on the ground floor and studio apartments above.

It was crash of the housing market and the economic collapse in 2008 that derailed the apartment project. Then, the Florida Department of Transportation took a portion of the target property to extend St. Clair Street to State Road 100 as part of the railroad overpass project. That split the land and ruled out later development of an apartment complex.

Excited by his friend Raley's work on sustainable living projects, Hewett introduced him to Starke and city officials in hopes of partnering on a new housing development concept.

From the collaboration, the Citywalk townhome project was born.

Environmentally sustainable characteristics include solar arrays on the top of each townhome, which Raley said could potentially provide all the electricity needed.

"We think that we're going to be able to hit net zero for electric — that you will not have to pay for an electric bill if you're living here," he said.

Hewett said they also have a partnership with Coca-Cola to turn former syrup vats into underground water storage tanks. Rainwater collected on the properties in these tanks would be used for landscape irrigation. Open spaces they call rain gardens will serve as dry retention ponds for stormwater, providing more green space

in lieu of a retention pond. Pervious pavers will be used for the driveways, which will also reduce runoff.

In addition to a low carbon footprint, Hewett said the development will be built with high efficiency building materials and use energy efficient appliances. The lightly tinted glass windows reduce the transfer of heat and humidity. The townhomes will also be loaded with smart technology controlled by a tablet at home or via a smart phone application away from home. Residents will enjoy added convenience, comfort and security.

The 1,560-square-foot townhomes will have three bedrooms and two and a half baths, and 12-foot ceilings on both floors, as well as a garage, patio, backyard and terrace. Built to Miami codes, the buildings can withstand hurricane-force winds.

A covered fitness area is proposed as well as electric vehicle charging points and a walking trail along Alligator Creek — all of which would be available for public use. This is not a gated project, Hewett said.

Units will be available first to teachers, nurses, first responders, correctional officers, military members and veterans.

"We're trying to reach out to those people that are here that are searching for homes, they want to have a place to live. So, we will make it available to them as a priority," Raley said.

This is not a subsidized housing project, however. Hewett said that was a rumor that plagued the apartment concept years ago. Units will be priced based on the market. Those who can afford to will be able to purchase outright. Raley said there will also be a rent-to-own option that will benefit their target residents.

Hewett later explained that instead of paying for the first and last month's rent plus a security deposit, which is difficult for some, residents would be able to move in by paying for the first month alone. Every subsequent on-time payment will benefit the tenant's credit score. In the third year, the market would be used to determine the purchase price of the home, giving the tenant the option to buy.

"The rent-to-own model is to help younger prospects become homeowners. Our view is that homeowners will stay longer, be more involved in the community and be better citizens," he said.

With 1.4 million people living within 50 miles of Starke, Raley said they will not have a problem filling 45 homes. But again, local residents in the above professions

will receive the priority. "What we're trying to do here is create something that people can live in, easily move into and then have a pathway to homeownership," he said.

"The reason why we call it Citywalk is that these people, which will be 90-plus residents — there will probably be some with children — these 90-plus residents will be able to walk downtown. This is one of the things that makes it more sustainable. They're not getting in a car driving; they're walking, and it's good for them good for their health, good for the downtown merchants. This plays into the whole concept of having people living in and around downtown. We think it's going to help the downtown merchants dramatically," Hewett said.

Another interesting feature of the proposed development is that the townhomes are manufactured offsite, transported and then installed with the assistance of a crane, resulting in no construction waste, Raley said. A four-unit building requires a week to install, and then they finish up the inside work using local contractors.

"If all goes as we would like, we would be able to probably start construction sometime here in the next eight to 10 months on this project," he said, adding the development is an easy solution to the lack of affordable housing, but also sustainable and resilient housing.

Hewett said it will also be a "disruption," in the best sense of the word — a change from the norm that leads to new opportunities. This could be first of many such projects they bring to Starke.

"I'm excited about the opportunity here to work with you guys, and I think there's more opportunities here and then around Gainesville," he said.

The concept requires using the site of the current veterans memorial park to squeeze in a few more units. After some back and forth about moving the park, city commissioners and veterans eventually agreed to move the park closer to the city square and away from the highway.

"We met with the veterans last week, just to make them feel a little more comfortable about what's going to be in the neighborhood," Raley said.

The park relocation allows Hewett and Raley to propose a property swap. Starke would receive a slightly larger parcel to the south of the project, originally intended to be a dog park, in exchange for the park property on Call Street.

Just that evening the city



The site plan for the Citywalk townhomes. The city commission has been asked to trade Parcel 1, where the veterans park is located, for the southern portion of Parcel 2.



Each unit has a garage and a solar array on the roof for power.



The townhomes would have covered patios as well as a walkout terrace on the second floor.

commission finalized approval of an ordinance governing the procedure for selling or exchanging city property, including real property, i.e., land, buildings, etc. The procedures chiefly relate to appraisal and notice requirements.

Following the Citywalk presentation, commissioners also instructed their attorney to prepare for the land swap, with the final decision coming back to the board for a vote.

Hewett encouraged anyone

with questions about the project to reach out to him at dhewett@doranjasongroup.com.

Clay Electric Foundation donates \$50k to 8 nonprofits

KEYSTONE HEIGHTS— The Clay Electric Foundation donated \$15,000 to the Putnam First Cancer Fund, marking the largest donation the utility's nonprofit made in September. The foundation is funded by Clay Electric's Operation Round Up, in which members round up their electricity bills to the next whole dollar. The foundation contributed \$50,100 to eight nonprofit organizations in September.

The Putnam First Cancer Fund uses contributions to provide financial assistance to patients with cancer. The assistance covers basic living needs and timely access to diagnosis and treatment. The fund also increases education and awareness about the disease in addition to providing cancer screening programs and other activities. The Clay Electric Foundation said grant funds will assist county residents in obtaining an official cancer diagnosis to qualify for additional assistance.

Other recipients of Clay Electric Foundation grants in September were:

Alachua Habitat for Humanity - \$10,000

Habitat for Humanity assists low-income families in obtaining housing by building homes using volunteer labor. Grant funds will be used to begin the infrastructure for a community of 22 homes.

Fire Rescue Support Inc. of Marion County - \$10,000

Fire Rescue Support, located in Belleview, supports fire rescue personnel. Funds from the grant will be used to provide the services of a chaplain.

Alzheimer's Association in Alachua County- \$5,800

The Alzheimer's Association is the leading voluntary health organization in Alzheimer's care, support, and research. Grant funds will be used to purchase a specialized computer and software for creating videos for educational programs.

Boys and Girls Club of Northeast Florida in Clay County- \$2,500

The Boys & Girls Club of Northeast Florida provides a safe, fun experience through which young people can reach their full

potential as productive, caring, responsible citizens. Funding from the grant will support the Project Learn program.

Alachua Conservation Trust - \$2,500

The Alachua Conservation Trust protects natural, historic, scenic, and recreational resources in and around North Central Florida. Grant funds will support the Creekside Environmental Education for Kids program.

Better Together in Clay County- \$1,800

Better Together seeks to keep families together and children out of foster care by providing them with a temporary home and helping parents work to build a better life. Funding from the grant will be applied to the Better Families program.

Florahome Park and Heritage Association Inc. - \$2,500

The Florahome Park and Heritage Association exists to serve the Florahome community through the care and enhancement of its historic neighborhood park. Grant funds will be applied to the restoration of the clubhouse exterior.

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UNION COUNTY

Lawmakers hear Union County requests



State Representative Chuck Brannan and State Senator Jennifer Bradley in Lake Butler City Hall preparing for the meeting.

BY TRACY LEE TATE
Special to the Times

LAKE BUTLER—The annual Union County Legislative Delegation meeting was held Oct. 23 at the commission meeting room at Lake Butler City Hall.

State Representative Chuck Brannan chaired the meeting, with State Senator Jennifer Bradley serving as vice-chair. Both were accompanied by several members of their staffs.

After an opening prayer, given by Brannan, and the Pledge of Allegiance, led by Bradley, the attendees were made aware of several dates and deadlines for the state next year. It was announced that the 2024 legislative session would convene on Jan. 9, 2024, a little earlier since it was an election year according to Brannan. It was also noted that any requests for appropriations by local governments would need to be submitted for consideration to the House by Nov. 13, 2023.

Pretty good year for Union County

Brannan quipped that the day was one of his and Bradley's "road show" days and said they had already been to Lake City and were off to MacClenny when they left Union County. He said that he and Bradley served two of the largest districts in the state and dealt mostly with policy and money. He noted that the previous session had been a "pretty good year" for Union County with a great deal of appropriation funding.

Bradley joined in, first thanking the City of Lake Butler for providing the space for the meeting. She agreed that she and Brannan shared many counties and they both share the same budget silo – law enforcement and justice – of which Bradley is the chair. She noted that the two worked well together in getting what their districts needed in the way of funding and service.

The remainder of the meeting was very informal and casual, with the agenda listing predetermined speakers from the county and all of the municipalities and then providing time for anyone else who wished to speak who had filled out a provided appearance card.

Broadband coverage not adequate

First on the agenda were the members of the Union County Board of Commissioners. None of the commissioners were able to attend but were represented by County Coordinator Jimmy Williams. Williams first spoke to the delegates about advertising issues, where the issue of a weekly paper very often made following the Florida Statutes concerning advertising requirements for special meetings, the pending consideration of ordinances and other actions. He said the county would continue to send advertising on these matters to the paper, but the statute required quicker public access to the information. He said the county had been looking at publishing the notices on a website, but the lack of broadband in some areas of the county was a handicap. He said that most people had internet access on their cell phones and

asked if the statute could be modified to allow blanket emails to county residents to get the word out as required.

"We are not looking at getting away from the paper, but we need help," Williams said. "For some matters, we will be over the required time limit, which for some items is only 10 days. If we make a decision that requires a legal announcement on Monday night and cannot get it ready for submittal to the paper by its deadline, then it has to wait until the Thursday of the next week to be published – over the 10-day requirement."

Williams also asked for help in getting broadband for the county, especially in areas that have poor or no internet access at present. He said there had been a program established, but most of the grant money seemed to be going to the larger counties. He told the delegates that the county was working on its own to see if a local provider could be secured, but there could be difficulties with getting that done as well.

"A new provider comes in and then rents the lines from the existing service. If the existing service is inadequate in its coverage, then often the new provider will be no better," Williams said, noting that the county had been in discussions with Clay Electric to see if they might be interested in becoming providers.

Money for fire station, public safety complex

Williams also told the delegates that the county was in dire need of a new fire and EMS station. He said that the county was trying to put together a consolidated fire and rescue service that would offer 24-hour staffing in both areas and to make it work well would require a new building to house the services.

Both lawmakers said they would look into all of the problems outlined by Williams and see what could be done to assist with any requested appropriations.

Next to speak was Union County Sheriff Brad Whitehead. He thanked the delegates for their assistance in securing an appropriation for the county to build both the new Emergency Operations Center and the new Public Safety Complex, telling them that a contractor had been selected and that they were in the process of lining up subcontractors for the work. Whitehead said if all went as planned the projects should break ground the first of the year (2024). He told them that it might be necessary to request more funds for the project, however, due to inflation and the subsequent increase in the cost of materials.

He said the contractor had already told him that the project was going to cost more than the total of the grants and appropriations already in hand and that he was now getting the figures together to determine how much more would be needed and an estimate of the project's completion date.

Brannan asked Whitehead if the county would be using inmate labor to help cut costs. The sheriff responded that the county had already used inmates to help clear and prepare the site and planned to use them whenever possible.

Caution advised on new election laws

Union County Clerk of Court and Comptroller Kellie Rhoades and Property Appraiser Bruce Dukes were not in attendance at the meeting and Union County Tax Collector Lisa Johnson was present but had no comment other than to thank the delegates for their support of the county and its needs.

The next speaker was Union County Supervisor of Elections Deborah Osborne, who asked the delegates to please take the time to talk with elections supervisors in the state before voting on any changes that might be proposed to change any of the existing election laws and to vote against additional law enforcement involvement in the election process.

She also asked them for assistance in the area of public records requests as her office and many others in the state were being bombarded by public records requests, many from groups, organizations and parties, asking for personal information about voters and poll workers.

New elementary school sought

Union County Superintendent of Schools Mike Ripplinger first invited the delegates to attend the unveiling of a Consolidated School monument at the site once occupied by that institution and now home to Lake Butler Elementary School, to be held in February 2024 at a yet unnamed date.

He also told the representatives that the district was formally moving forward to secure special facility funds to build a new elementary school due to the age and condition of the existing buildings, crowding issues and the desire to return the fifth grade to the elementary school. Fifth graders now attend Lake Butler Middle School.

Brannan told him to put together a good plan and get on the list. Ripplinger said he had already talked to officials from Bradford and Baker counties, both which recently built new schools, to see what worked for them in getting funding and what had not worked.

Union County School Board member Becky Raulerson represented the board for the meeting but simply thanked them for all their attention to county needs and asked for their continued support in the future.

No one was present from the City of Worthington Springs or Raiford, but Lake Butler Mayor and interim City Manager David Stegall told the delegates that he and the city commission were happy to have hosted the event at City Hall. The final name on the agenda list of preapproved speakers, County Judge, the Honorable Mitchell Bishop, was among the others not able to attend the meeting.

Brannan and Bradley listened attentively, took notes and made comments on the issues raised by the various government officials. Both said they would look into the matters and see what could be done.

Citizens sound off on EMS, body cameras, RV park

Union County commissioners get an earful

BY TRACY LEE TATE
Special to the Times

LAKE BUTLER—The regular October meeting of the Union County Commission was, as has become usual, well attended with quite a few county residents on hand seeking their turn at the podium during the public comment portion of the meeting. This month the ire was focused on fire and emergency medical services, as well as the Union County Sheriff's Office, although RV parks and code enforcement were also on the menu.

Substandard work by employee

Sergio Fernandez came to the podium with complaints concerning EMS operations and a particular employee. He talked through his allowed five minutes, then handed off his phone and materials to four other people to finish his comments, each allowed five minutes.

Fernandez is a former EMS employee and therefore he said he had nothing to gain by speaking out. He said that one EMT in the service was the subject of many complaints and he felt legally obligated to report instances where he believed incorrect actions or procedures were followed. He thinks the employee's work is substandard and questions his skills, noting that in his opinion the department does little training. He also said that he had had a "run in" with County Coordinator Jimmy Williams concerning his reports and comments while employed by UCEMS. His comments were finished by Sean Newsome on the numerous incident reports he had filed.

Former EMS employee Lance Thornton then took over the podium, accusing the above-mentioned employee of failing to do his required truck checkoffs, ensuring that the truck was equipped with all of the necessary equipment and supplies. Justin Phillips read a statement from EMS Director Toby Witt and said it reflected a personal bias. Phillips also commented on the

delays in service (that are alleged to have occurred).

Nick Aceveeo said that the above-mentioned situations should lead to the firing of Williams due to his inattention and inaction to the above situations. He alleged that these circumstances had led to the death of a patient but gave no concrete details.

Ashley Sullivan, who spoke earlier in the meeting said she wanted to address the use of UCEMS for prison medical transport. She told commissioners that she had talked to several people in the county who said if they needed EMS services, they would drive to the Bradford County line and call for their service from there. She also asked if background checks were routinely done on firefighters in the county.

Witt took the podium later in the meeting, responding to the citizens' comments.

"Go back two years," Witt said. "Me and Jimmy Williams worked together to get medics on the job and get trucks available. There has been a change of culture in the department, and some are not happy. Incident reports are one person's side of a story. I don't like my service being attacked. This is a couple of disgruntled former employees. We are doing well, and the service is moving forward."

Body cameras for deputies

Jay Rex spoke to the commission and said he supported Fernandez, but his topic was the need for body cameras on county deputies. He said he had conducted a small survey and found that 93% of those responding favored the use of body cams on law enforcement officers (higher than the National average) and that 104 county residents did not know that they were not already in use. He said, "Trust in the police is shaken right now and we want transparency, better evidence quality – it will pay off in the long run."

Sheriff Brad Whitehead also appeared in the meeting and responded to what had been said concerning his department.

"We do not have body cams on our deputies, but our cars are equipped with cameras and audio recording," Whitehead said. "About two years ago I priced body cams, and the price was \$98,000 to purchase the equipment, and other, recurring costs added another \$28,500 a year. We do not normally have complaints about how we are

doing things, and we must be doing something right because Union County has the lowest crime rate, per capita, in the state as well as the highest clearance rate."

RV Park

The RV Park issue was addressed by two citizens. First, James "Jed" Douglas, from the Providence area, asked the commission what progress and plans had been made on the topic and whether or not the commissioners were getting an assist from attorney David Therique on the matter. He was informed that Therique had already been contacted and would appear at the regular November meeting to present three possible options for dealing with the issue. J.R. Davis then reported that the citizen's committee concerning the RV park moratorium was active and that he had collected a great deal of information from other counties and was awaiting direction from the board.

Carol Pittman, from Providence, asked the board not to adopt ordinances and impose them on the county. He said he did not like city codes, rules, and homeowners' associations. He said he had heard a figure of \$70,000 for code enforcement in the county and he understands the constraints it would impose and was completely against it. He said he did not want to be fined for the antique car in his yard with no tag, nor did he want to be cited for a relative living in an RV on his property.

Investigating county coordinator

Other comments included a question from Lindsey Reddish concerning the progress on getting an inspector general from the Department of Ethics to come and investigate the allegations against Williams and others. She was told that the department had been contacted and that they no longer provided that service but would respond to individual complaints filed on a Form 50 (available online). Crystal Norman commented that she had never been disappointed in the board in her 15 years in the county, but she was now. Charles Clyatt asked about better control of speeders in District 4, citing Amazon vehicles and commercial trucks as the primary culprits and would like commissioners to address the issue with Whitehead before a child was involved in an accident.

Scoreboards donated to high school



BY TRACY LEE TATE
Special to the Times

LAKE BUTLER—The Union County High School has two new scoreboards in its gymnasium, thanks to the generosity of local businessman Bart Andrews, of Andrews Site Prep.

The previous scoreboards had been giving problems, perhaps because they were about 30

years old. Andrews heard about the issue and decided to rectify the situation by providing new ones. The new digital boards were installed on Sept. 28, and were ready for use at the girls' volleyball games last Thursday, Oct. 12. After the Junior Varsity game, UCHS Principal Julie Denson presented a plaque to Brittany Andrews, who was on

site representing the company.

Andrews has been making a habit of supporting local fundraisers and, especially, athletic and recreation endeavors. He has also provided a new scoreboard for the high school baseball field, which will be dedicated in the Spring, at the beginning of the season.

NOTICE OF CERTIFICATION OF TAX ROLLS

Pursuant to section 193.122(2), Florida Statutes, Bruce D. Dukes, Property Appraiser for Union County, hereby gives notice to all taxpayers and owners of both real and personal property that the 2023 Union County Tax Rolls have been extended to show the tax attributable to all taxable property and that said tax rolls were certified for collection to the Tax Collector on October 16, 2023.

Bruce D. Dukes
Union County Property Appraiser

Photos from Raiford Day, 2023



Raiford Mayor Lamar Griffis brushes up his skills on the cornhole game before anyone comes to challenge him.



Union County Commissioner Channing Dobbs and his family enjoyed themselves at Raiford Day and even gave out boiled peanuts. Pictured are: Channing Dobbs, Kayla, Ela, Raelyn, Ramsey Kay, Maddie and Bud Dobbs.



Addie Kaye Yarbrough (owner) and Callie Combs of Opal & Co. Salon were on hand to spend the day with family and friends.



Mendy Whitaker, with United for a Cure, Inc., was on hand to give out bracelets, beads and other brightly colored goodies.

Civic group hears about women's health

An APRN for New River Health at the Bradford County Health Department spoke to the Starke Women's Club on Wednesday about the essentials of women's health.

Tricia Clark told the approximately 25-member audience that having a primary healthcare provider and getting periodic exams including thyroid tests and mammograms is essential.

She emphasized that with regular checkups, women won't be surprised by emergent, adverse health conditions.

Starke annexing future development site



The existing city limits are outlined in white, and the area proposed for annexation is outlined in black.

BY MARK J. CRAWFORD
Telegraph Editor

STARKE — The city of Starke is close to expanding its borders to take in a proposed multiuse development on either side of the bypass on State Road 16.

Commissioners approved on first reading an ordinance to accept the voluntary annexation of more than 177 acres into the city limits.

Previously, a combination of federal ARPA funds and a state legislative allocation were approved to extend Starke's water and sewer services to the location. Leaders reasoned the bypass interchange located on S.R. 16 would draw economic development or residential growth if the utilities were there to support it.

Gerry Dedenbach of CHW Professional Consultants was present at the Oct. 17 meeting to represent the landowner, Osceola Timber Company.

The 177 acres represent a development opportunity for the city and county, he said.

Dedenbach said he would be returning in a few weeks — following finalization of the annexation — to proceed with a future land use amendment and zoning change for the property. The changes will align with the city's land development regulations for a mixed-use commercial and residential development.

Mayor Scott Roberts and

commissioners Andy Redding and Shannon Smith voted 3-0 to approve the ordinance on first reading.

Commercial rezonings approved

The commission also finalized the commercial rezoning requested by applicant Johnny Grand at the corner of S.R. 16 and Northwest County Road 229.

Another commercial rezoning, brought by applicant Robert Blaine, was approved on first reading. The land is located on U.S. 301, just south of Dollar Tree. Building and zoning official Kevin Powell said the front portion of the parcel is already zoned for commercial development, but the back is zoned for residential use. Final approval of the commission will eliminate the split use.

Interest in Starke is growing

Pending and proposed developments have kept the building and zoning office busy, according to City Clerk Jimmy Crosby.

Crosby acknowledged Powell's hard work reviewing plans and inspecting buildings, and he welcomed Lance Campbell as office manager for the department.

"You don't know the kind of

work they're doing out there with a very, very small staff," Crosby said, noting that 90% of the meeting agenda involved planning, zoning and annexation. "These last five or six months have been a Herculean job."

"We are growing, the commercial development that's taking place," he said. "We've got construction companies coming in, apartment companies coming in to do things. There's a lot of activity taking place."

In other business:

—The first reading of an ordinance adding telecommunications towers as an allowable use by special exception in all zoning categories was also approved. This pertains to monopolies unless the applicant can justify erecting a lattice tower. According to the city attorney, this effectively limits the height to 200 feet.

Several applicants have approached the city, Martin said, but the city realized there was nothing in the land development code allowing the erection of these towers.

—Teens from the Bradford SWAT group appeared before the board to request Starke's parks be tobacco-free spaces. The students successfully lobbied the county commission to prohibit smoking and vaping in its recreational spaces. Starke commissioners asked their attorney to bring back an ordinance for consideration.

Starke bank foreclosing on High Springs restaurants

Community State Bank is foreclosing on buildings occupied by the Great Outdoors Restaurant and the Pink Flamingo Diner in High Springs.

The Independent Florida Alligator, which first reported the foreclosure, said the bank is

suing Dae Jung Kim, Radiant Life Ecoville LLC, High Springs Ecoville LLC, and Springs Life LLC as borrowers of a \$2 million commercial promissory note dated March 18, 2021.

The newspaper added that the diner is also being sued by a

former employee who claims the Pink Flamingo demoted and fired her after she reported to the state that an unlicensed contractor performed work at the diner.

Lake Butler buys vans, mowers

BY TRACY LEE TATE
Special to the Times

LAKE BUTLER—The City of Lake Butler has decided to make some necessary purchases, using budgeted and restricted funds and is also preparing for interviews for the vacant city manager position.

At its Oct. 17, 2023 meeting the commission, on the recommendation of Mayor David Stegall, to purchase two vans from the City of Gainesville Fleet Management for \$30,460. The funds will come from the restricted cash account and are from the sale of the 2021 Chevy Suburban that served as a city vehicle for the use of former city manager Dale Walker, which had been placed in the account in anticipation of such a needed purchase. A motion was made to approve the purchase by Vice-Mayor Melissa Hendrix and approved by the board 4-0, with Commissioner Fred Sirmones absent from the meeting. Later in the meeting the board unanimously approved a motion by Commissioner Annette Redman, approved the

purchase of two Husqvarna zero-turn lawn mowers from Union Power for \$9,038.40 on the recommendation of Public Works Director Matthew Kelley. Kelley informed the board that there were enough funds to cover the purchase from Street Maintenance Expense Fund.

Kelley was also the subject of a discussion concerning the salary he had been given when he took over the department as director. At the Sept. 19, 2023 meeting, when Kelley was given the position his salary was set at \$45,000, below the pay range budgeted for the position. At the time of his promotion, Kelley had asked for an annual salary of \$53,000, but had taken the position at the \$45,000 offered by the board. This was supposed to have been the salary for the vacant position of finance director, not the public works director. Motion was made by Hendrix to increase Kelley's salary and to pay him the difference retroactively.

The issue of citizen-requested speed bumps was put to rest with the unanimous approval

of the board to authorize Union County Commission Chairman Ryan Perez and the board of commissioners to install speed bumps, at no cost to the city, on Northeast 8th Ave. The street had the speed control devices at one time, but they had been removed as part of a FDOT project and not replaced.

The search for a new city manager is narrowing, with three applicants selected as the pool from which the city will choose. Originally, there were 21 applicants for the position. Motion was made to hold a special meeting on Wed. Nov. 1, 2023 to interview the three applicants — Mark Meyers, Brian Reagan and Angie Wisnant. Stegall was authorized to vet each applicant prior to the interview process and to adjust interview times as necessary. City Attorney John Maines asked that the wording "an applicant may be considered and offered the position within the duration of the special meeting" be added to the meeting notice.

RMC, VFW, Lake Butler hosting Halloween events

BY TRACY LEE TATE
Special to the Times

LAKE BUTLER— It's that time of the year when all the little ghosts and goblins get dressed up in costumes and descend on Union County in search of laughter, fun, and, of course, candy. There are three main options for all of these offered

this year and, with a little help in planning from their parents, kids, and those who wish they were still can attend all of them and collect enough candy to last them until Christmas.

Two events are scheduled for the same night, Saturday, Oct. 28, 2023. The RMC will be hosting its annual Spooktacular on the grounds in the residential section from 6-8 p.m. Just a little bit back toward Lake Butler, at the VFW Post, there will be a Trunk-or-Treat Event, featuring games and food, from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Both events are free and promise to be lots of fun.

Then, after a couple of days to recover from the first two events,

the City of Lake Butler will hold its annual Trick-or-Treating on Tuesday, Oct. 31, 2023. Local merchants often get involved, either decorating or even joining in the fun. Official hours in the city for the event are 6-8 p.m.

For all of this year's events the Union County Sheriff's office will be out in numbers, protecting all from the ghouls and other nasties that could cause harm. So, grab your costumes and treat bags and get ready for one or two fun nights with your friends and families. Be smart, be safe and have a spooky good time!

Wastewater treatment plant project underway

BY MARK J. CRAWFORD
Telegraph Editor

Starke received good news about the progress of its multimillion dollar wastewater treatment plant upgrade project last week.

Justin deMello of Woodward and Curran said the project is both on time and on budget.

After years of planning and engineering, and multiple asks of the USDA for funding, the project has progressed to construction.

There is a long lead time for

certain essential items that have been purchased, and news about materials and deliver have led to some nervousness.

"But you know, worst case, they'll get up to a point where they've got to stop work until that stuff comes in. But right now, all systems are go," deMello said.

Woodward and Curran assumed operation of the wastewater treatment plant several months ago, and the plant is now fully staffed.

"You've got a great project manager out of Gainesville that came over, Chris Russell, if you have the opportunity to meet him. Really just a sharp utility mind. Really a great add, not only for the city, but for Woodward and Curran," he said.

In building his team, Russell has rehired employees who left

the city during the transition.

"They came back within a couple of weeks, and they're thriving under the new leadership that is there," deMello said.

City Manager Drew Mullins said management of the wastewater treatment plant is the best it has ever been and operations continue to improve every month.

The city also has the support of the company's regional team who can offer assistance, as with the recent water outage.

As for the first phase of the collection system, deMello said it got off to a slow start.

"The contractor was dragging his feet a little bit," he said, but things have shifted and are heading in the right direction.

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Crime

Recent arrests in Bradford, Union and Clay

The following individuals were arrested recently by local law enforcement officers in Bradford, Union or Clay (Keystone Heights-area) counties. All defendants are considered innocent until convicted in a court or until pleading guilty or no contest. Information in this report is from law enforcement agencies and court documents, which are public records.

Bradford

Andrew D. Barr, 20, of Hampton was arrested by Bradford deputies on October 14 for possession of drugs and possession of drug equipment.

Brandon Scott Baylor, 25, of Starke was arrested on October 20 for driving with a suspended or revoked license.

Alonzo James Bolden, 34, was arrested on October 16 for battery.

Bryce Darryl Bolinger, 36, of Starke was arrested on October 20 for burglary, loitering, resisting an officer and threatening a public official.

Lamar Junior Bryant, 40, of Macclenny was arrested by Bradford deputies on October 16 for a probation violation.

Terry Reena Crawford, 41, of Hampton was arrested by Starke Police on October 18 for a probation violation.

Gretchin Dianna Crews, 48, of Hampton was arrested on October 14 for a probation violation.

Cole William Crosby, 19, of Brooker was arrested by Bradford deputies on October 20 for probation violations.

Dustin Lee Floyd, 19, was arrested on October 14 for possession of liquor and loitering.

Eric Gulizio, 44, of Palm Beach Gardens was arrested by Bradford deputies on October 15

for DUI and resisting an officer. 17 for a probation violation.

Cory Preston Harp, 35, of Brooker was arrested by Bradford deputies on October 18 for a probation violation.

Linda Hudnall Johnson, 57, of Keystone Heights was arrested by Bradford deputies on October 17 for failure to appear.

Devonte Paul Johnson, 29, of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, was arrested by state troopers and Bradford deputies on October 20 for driving with a suspended or revoked license, being an out-of-state fugitive, possession of marijuana and smuggling contraband into a jail.

Mya Caprice Jones, 28, of Gainesville was arrested by Bradford deputies on October 17 for a probation violation.

Grady Isaiah Nettles, 18, of Starke was arrested on October 14 for loitering and possession of liquor.

Drake William Newburgh, 27, of Fleming Island was arrested by Bradford deputies on October 20 for vehicle theft.

Casildo A. Rendon, 30, of Monroe, North Carolina was arrested on October 18 for driving with a suspended or revoked license.

Jacob William Robbins, 25, of Starke was arrested by Bradford deputies on October 15 for battery, obstructing justice and criminal mischief with property damage.

Carlos Darnell Rolley, 39, of Archer was arrested on October 15 for an out-of-county warrant.

Thomas Cole Smith, 26, of Starke was arrested by Bradford deputies on October 17 for driving with a suspended or revoked license and an out-of-county warrant.

Donald James Stokes, 46, of Hawthorne was arrested by Bradford deputies on October 19 for trespassing.

Morgan Riley Tindall, 35, of Keystone Heights was arrested by Bradford deputies on October

Joseph Stefan Wheeler, 55, of Lawtey was arrested by Starke Police on September 16 for probation violations.

Union

Heather Lynn Brady, 41, was arrested by Union deputies on October 22 for trespassing and disorderly conduct.

Erika Whitney Culverson, 37, of Raiford was arrested by Union deputies on October 19 for an out-of-county warrant.

Matthew Aaron Dover, 30, of Lake Butler was arrested by Union deputies on October 20 for a conditional release violation.

Nicolas Wayne Gregory, 37, of Kenosha, Wisconsin was arrested by Union deputies on October 21 for resisting an officer.

Sean Michael Lobenthal, 30, of Lake Butler was arrested by Union deputies on October 18 for possession of cocaine and a probation violation.

Kevin Sean O'Leary, 61, of Gainesville was arrested by Union deputies on October 21 for driving with a suspended or revoked license.

Matthew Steven Perry, 40, of Gainesville was arrested by Union deputies on October 17 for an out-of-county warrant.

Brian Anthony Stalnaker, 35, of Fort White was arrested by Union deputies on October 23 for a probation violation.

Clay

Brandy Michelle Rowland, 39, of Keystone Heights was arrested by Clay deputies on October 20 for disorderly intoxication, consumption of an alcoholic beverage within 300 feet of a package store and possessing an open container of an alcoholic beverage in public.

Lorraine Christine Williams, 29, of Keystone Heights was arrested by Clay deputies on October 16 for domestic battery.

Attorney's Office said. "They also obtained funds by forging signatures on checks stolen from the mail and subsequently cashing the fraudulent checks. Law enforcement recovered mail stolen by Austin and Stewart from Baker, Bradford, Clay, Duval, and Putnam Counties."

Corrections Dept. overseeing private prisons

Beginning this month, Florida's Department of Corrections is overseeing the contracts and operations of the state's seven private prisons, taking that responsibility from the state's Department of Management Services.

The change comes after a state audit found deficiencies in security staffing levels and training and facility maintenance. Department of Corrections Deputy Secretary Richard Comerford told the House Criminal Justice Subcommittee on October 18 that more than 10,000 of Florida's 85,145 inmates are housed in private prisons.

Four of the privately managed facilities are in the Panhandle, two are in South Florida, and one is near Lake City. Comerford told the lawmakers that the state-managed prisons are behind the private facilities in programming and educational programs for inmates. He added that with recent increases in funding, he predicted the state facilities would close that gap.

Officer saves suspect's life

BY MARK J. CRAWFORD
Telegraph Editor

STARKE — Starke Police Chief Jeff Johnson presented Sgt. Jarred Altman a lifesaving award for his saving a drug overdose patient.

On Sept. 19, police responded to a call from the Red Carpet Inn regarding an intoxicated person. The suspect had fled the motel but was found in the vicinity of Lake and Adkins streets, arrested for disorderly intoxication and taken to the Bradford County Jail.

While waiting for the Sally port to open, Altman wrote in his report that the suspect became combative and told officers he had swallowed fentanyl and needed NARCAN, an opioid overdose treatment.

The suspect became unresponsive and was foaming at the mouth and displaying seizure-like activity. EMS was notified. With the assistance of officer George Duren, they removed the suspect from the vehicle and laid him on the ground. They attempted to communicate with the suspect, who was repeatedly unresponsive and slipped into



Police Chief Jeff Johnson and Sgt. Jarred Altman

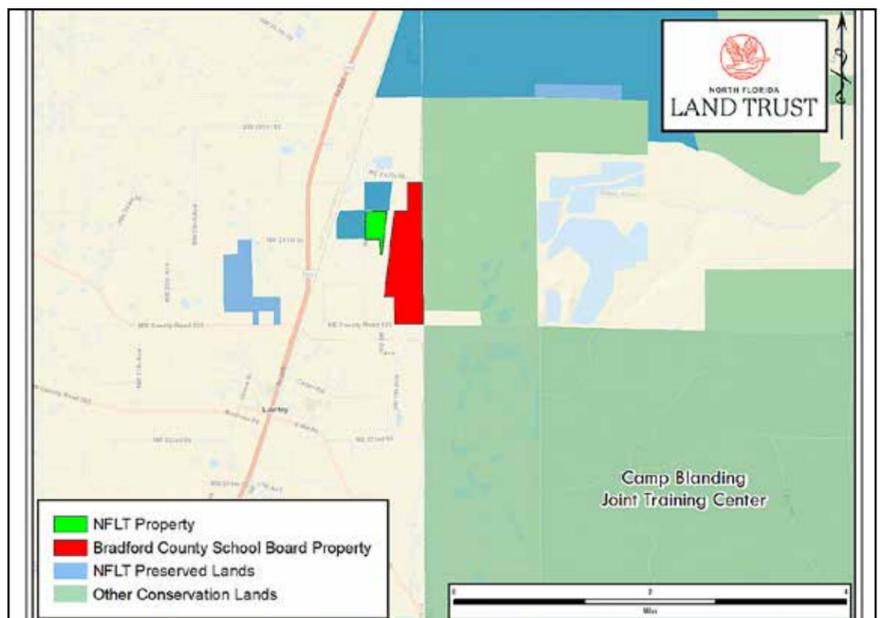
agonal breathing. He was close to death.

Altman administered the NARCAN, and Johnson said all reports agreed this saved the

suspect's life.

Johnson presented the award in front of the city commission and Altman's family.

North Florida Land Trust helped facilitate the purchase property for school district



North Florida Land Trust in partnership with Camp Blanding and the Bradford County School Board has facilitated the acquisition of property that will be the new home of the North Florida Technical College's commercial vehicle driving school.

The 230-acre property, located just outside the military installation in Bradford County and close to NFLT conservation lands, was purchased from Rayonier Inc. for over \$1.8 million with funds from the Camp Blanding Army Compatible Use Buffer program.

Camp Blanding approached NFLT to assist with finding a property close to the military installation that could house the school after discovering they could not renew the lease for the school that has been operating on Camp Blanding property for decades.

NFLT is the only organization that could facilitate the acquisition through the ACUB funding program which is designed to secure buffers around Camp Blanding.

Rayonier agreed to sell the property for the school's relocation and asked the school to consider including a curriculum for commercial logging, an industry that has seen a shortage of commercial log truck drivers.

"This project was different from what we usually do since we are in the business of conservation but as longtime partners of Camp Blanding, we stepped up to help," said Allison DeFoor, president of NFLT. "While this land will not be conservation land, it

will serve a significant need for the commercial truck driving industry and this acquisition allowed us to be good partners with Camp Blanding who we have worked with for years to conserve land around the military training center. We did get 30 acres of conservation land out of the deal as well."

"Commercial log truck drivers are essential to maintaining healthy forest products markets," said Rhett Rogers, senior vice president of Portfolio Management of Rayonier. "The forestry industry provides 2.5 million jobs in rural communities nationwide, and we're enthusiastic to work together with NFLT, Camp Blanding, and the BCSB to help develop and support the next generation's workforce."

The property will be owned by BCSB, which will lease the property to North Florida Technical College for the commercial truck driving school. Since 2014, North Florida Technical College has seen approximately 300 students graduate from its commercial truck driving program. The facility has also provided continuing education for hundreds of individuals and many organizations. The school is considered a compatible use neighbor for Camp Blanding since the noise from the training at Camp Blanding is compatible with the noise from the trucking school.

"This land donation to the Bradford County School District will allow us to not only continue our Commercial Truck Driving School but also help us expand

additional programs on this new campus," said Superintendent of Schools Will Hartley. "Because of this partnership, we can continue to help put highly certified truck drivers on the road which we all know is a critical need in our state and country at this time. We can't thank the North Florida Land Trust enough for their support and partnership in helping the Bradford County School District and North Florida Technical College fulfill this critical need."

Matthew Corby, environmental manager for Camp Blanding said, "The Department of Military Affairs is excited to partner with NFLT and BCSB to support future development of educational opportunities within Bradford County while also continuing to secure Camp Blanding Joint Training Center's readiness and training capability."

About North Florida Land Trust

North Florida Land Trust is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to preserving and enhancing the quality of life by protecting North Florida's irreplaceable natural environment. Founded in 1999, NFLT has preserved tens of thousands of acres of land through the donation or purchase of land as well as conservation easements. NFLT is funded largely by private and corporate contributions and works closely with willing landowners and public agencies at all levels of government, not-for-profit partners, and foundations. For more information, visit nflt.org.

Made 'animal noises' while trying to break in

Bradford deputies arrested a 36-year-old Gainesville man after he tried to break into a County Road 229 residence while making animal noises and gestures with his hands according to the victim.

Bryce Daryl Bolinger was arrested for burglary, loitering, and threatening a public servant.

According to an arrest report, the victim told 911 operators that a tattooed, barefooted man in a tank top and shorts was trying to break into her Pleasant Grove-area house. "(The victim) stated that he was trying to break into the back door while screaming and telling (the victim) to open the door and let him in," wrote deputies in the report. "(The victim) asked Bryce to get off her property multiple times, (the victim) stated that Bryce was making animal-like noises and animal-like hand gestures towards the door." Deputies found the defendant on the victim's porch and said he later threatened one officer.

Starke couple sentenced to federal prison

The U.S. Attorney for the Middle District of Florida said a federal judge sentenced Connor Lee Austin, 31, of Starke to 18 months in federal prison and Maranda Ann Stewart, 26, of Starke to 6 months for theft of mail. The court ordered the pair to pay restitution to the victims in the case. Stewart had pleaded guilty on June 27, and Austin had pleaded guilty on July 12.

Prosecutors said the case began when the Clay County Sheriff's Office received multiple reports of mail being stolen from mailboxes in the Keystone Heights area. Surveillance footage from homes in that area captured a truck containing two individuals driving down roads and stealing mail from mailboxes. Law enforcement subsequently identified the driver as Stewart and Austin as the passenger.

"Follow-up investigation by the Clay County Sheriff's Office and the United States Postal Inspection Service - Jacksonville Office determined that after stealing mail, Austin and Stewart used Austin's phone in an effort to deposit stolen checks into their bank accounts through mobile deposit," the U.S.



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County postpones decision on planning services

BY MARK J. CRAWFORD
Telegraph Editor

STARKE — The county commission postponed a discussion and decision on comprehensive planning services so staff could gather additional information.

The commission is considering a split from the North Central Florida Regional Planning

Council. In prior discussions, Commissioner Chris Dougherty has claimed the agency's service level has dropped off.

In the commission's packet for the Oct. 19 meeting was a letter from the planning council's executive director, Scott Koons, lowering the annual fee to continue serving Bradford County from \$23,500

to \$13,000 based on the number of comprehensive plan and land development regulation amendments processed over the past three years.

There was also a letter from Robert Walpole, president of CHW Professional Consultants,

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Brooker charter school holds fall festival

BY CAROL MOSLEY
Special to the Telegraph

The streets were lined with onlookers as the parade vehicles opened the first annual fall festival of the new Brooker Community Charter School. As with every step of initiating this school, the volunteers were out in full force to ensure it was a successful event.

Principal Moss recruited her husband, Rodney, to help with the sale of t-shirts. Other volunteers sold tickets or assisted at the booths. Florida Youth Challenge Academy students were on hand to take on any role that needed attention.

The air was filled with the smell of kettle corn, barbecue, and Philly cheese steak. The field was lined with activity booths for the costumed, and not, children to play a game and walk away with a little prize. There was Two Liter Ring Toss and Ax Throwing. (No, not a real ax.) There was a Go Fishing booth, Treasure in the Hay and

Milk Bottle Bowling along with Ski Ball and Football Tire Toss. And a mini zip line with safety spotters.

The Pine Hill Lodge Masons offered vittles and refreshments along with stories of the history of the lodge in Brooker. Master Mason, Ted Barber, explained that the primary objective of the Lodge is to “make good men better men.” The Masons are a fraternal order, but many wives and female friends are members of the Eastern Star #40 in Lake Butler. The Pine Hill Lodge has been an entity in Brooker since 1881. The historic building itself was first built near the current Brooker Community Center and then moved, board by board, to the current location on land donated by Mr. Ward on County Road 18. Pine Hill is a small lodge with 22 members, but not all are from Brooker. They encourage non-members to stop by to share a meal and meet the members on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 6:30.

Speaking of history, the school

is a new charter school formed to ensure the continuation of an elementary school in the Brooker community. But it is a legacy school that educated generations of students as Brooker Elementary. Photo albums were displayed on tables and posters, tended by Margaret Dyal and Jean Parrish, showing students through the ages, many of whom are grandparents and parents of students attending the Community School now. In fact, an alumni reunion will be held in February pulling together students from 1943 through 2021.

T.J. Rodriguez, a Florida Youth Challenge Academy student, was looking to the future. The academy is a National Guard program out of Camp Blanding. He plans to go to technical college next to learn welding and then probably join the Marines. T.J. says the program provides direction for participants and serves to prevent youth from “falling into negative situations.”

Kevin Jones, 3rd grader at

Brooker who loves math, was at the Fishin’ Hole game and had his plan all mapped out. He would “play a few more games in a straight line, check out the Bounce House and then head over to get some food.”

County Commissioner, Diane Andrews, was a caller at the Bingo spinner. I told her it brought back memories of my bingo fanatic grandmother. She said she herself enjoys playing bingo, even though she seldom wins. The tables were packed with prospective winners, whose \$2 cards were lined up as they hunted for the numbers called. Prizes valued around \$100 were donated by local stores and businesses.

The festival was attended by hundreds of visitors and the volunteers were still smiling at the end of the day. The first Brooker Community School Fall Festival was an obvious success. Now the planning starts for next year.



TJ Rodriguez, a Florida Youth Challenge Academy student.



County Commissioner Diane Andrews calls the bingo numbers.



Zipline at Brooker Community School Fest



Hay Ride at Brooker fest.



Minnie Mouse at Brooker Fall fest 2023.



Eliz Mullens little witch and mom.

Great Pumpkin Escape

The annual Great Pumpkin Escape in downtown Starke will take place Saturday, Oct. 28, from 5 to 8 p.m. Get dressed up for fun and games and candy galore, brought to you by local merchants, civic groups and the city of Starke.

Victory Baptist Trunk or Treat

Victory Baptist Church in

Hampton invites everyone to their Fall Festival-Trunk or Treat, on Sunday, Oct. 29, from 4 p.m.- 6 p.m. at 5340 Pine Street Hampton.

Fall Festival at Old Providence Baptist

Old Providence Baptist Church will be hosting a fall festival on Saturday, Nov. 4, from 4:30 until 8 p.m. Attractions include games, hayrides, pony rides and chili/hotdogs. All activities are

free, and everyone is invited. The church is located at 9316 NW C.R. 245, Lake Butler.

Trunk or Treat at Hope

Hope Baptist Church will hold its Trunk or Treat Festival on Tuesday, Oct. 31, from 6 to 8 p.m. with food, treats and games. Pumpkin and face painting, a hay ride, cupcake walk, and the pumpkin slingshot are among the attractions, along with emergency vehicles from Funtastic Entertainment. Plus,

enter to win prizes.

The church is located at 3900 SE S.R. 100, Starke.

Boo at the Zoo returns to Santa Fe College Oct. 31

Boo at the Zoo returns to the Santa Fe College Teaching Zoo on Halloween, Tuesday, Oct. 31, from 3-7 p.m. The SF Teaching Zoo is located on SF’s Northwest Campus, 3000 NW 83 St. in Gainesville.

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which has a continuing services contract with the county. The firm has provided engineering services for road construction projects, for example, but could also take on planning services such as development review and updates to the comprehensive plan and land development regulations.

CHW provided a schedule of costs for development review, which varied by the type and size of the development. Other work would be based on the company’s hourly rate.

Consideration of either proposal is on hold for the moment.

In the meantime, the commission continues receiving criticism for considering a change at all. While resident Paul Still questioned the process for requesting and receiving

proposals and the credentials of CHW, Carol Mosley — citing legal, logistical and ethical concerns — questioned changing consultants from an independent agency to a private company with potentially competing interests.

“A private company with the goal of getting additional work should not be writing the rules that might serve to benefit it on future paying jobs. In fact, it seems inappropriate that an industry that needs to follow rules should be writing the rules themselves,” she said.

Mosley contrasted the stated mission of the nonprofit regional planning council — “To improve the quality of life of the region’s citizens, by enhancing public safety, protecting regional resources, promoting economic development and providing technical services to local governments.” — with the potential conflicts of a private company. The regional planning council isn’t beholden to any

industry of business for future work, she said, only their regional mission.

“While CHW may be a fine company and very capable of consulting for us on specific jobs, they are a company that may get other jobs from industry or businesses related to county business. Then there is potential for conflict. They are a profit-driven company obligated to do what is best for their company overall, not just one of their clients,” she said.

Speaking of the interests of industry, Mosley pointed out the county is in the middle of considering changes to its regulations on mining.

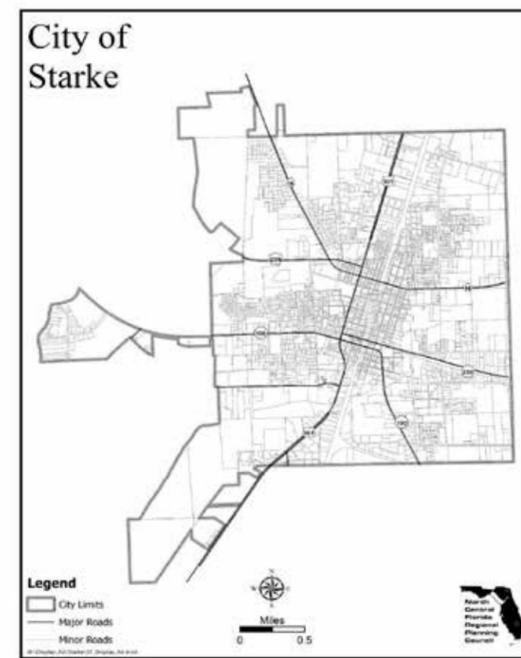
“It isn’t right to change gears at this point in the process. And it isn’t right to give industry the same weight in designing our future as you give conservation,” she said.

She reminded commissioners that their own comprehensive plan has a conservation element

NOTICE OF ZONING CHANGE

The City Commission of the City of Starke, Florida proposes to change the use of land within the area shown on the map below, by amending the text of the City of Starke Land Development Code, hereinafter referred to as the Land Development Code, as follows:

LDC 23-01 is an application by the City Commission to amend the text of the Land Development Code by amending Section 1-12 entitled Definitions to add definitions for ancillary facilities, antenna, collocation, guyed tower, lattice tower, monopole tower, telecommunication facility, and tower; by amending Section 4-76 entitled Uses Permitted by Special Exception in R-1A, R-1B, and RM-1 to allow telecommunication facilities as a use permitted by special exception; by amending Section 4-84 entitled Uses Permitted by Special Exception in R-1C, R-1D, and RM-2 to allow telecommunication facilities as a use permitted by special exception; by amending Section 4-93 entitled Uses Permitted by Special Exception in R-2A and R-2B to allow telecommunication facilities as a use permitted by special exception; by amending Section 4-96.D entitled Uses Permitted by Special Exception in RP, Residential, Professional District to allow telecommunication facilities as a use permitted by special exception; by amending Section 4-98.B.3 entitled Uses Permitted by Special Exception in B-1, Neighborhood Commercial District to allow telecommunication facilities as a use permitted by special exception; by amending Section 4-99.B.3 entitled Uses Permitted by Special Exception in B-2, Community Commercial District to allow telecommunication facilities as a use permitted by special exception; by amending Section 4-100.B.3 entitled Uses Permitted by Special Exception in B-3, Highway Commercial District to allow telecommunication facilities as a use permitted by special exception by amending Section 4-101.B.3 entitled Uses Permitted by Special Exception in BP, Business Professional District to allow telecommunication facilities as a use permitted by special exception; by amending Section 4-103.B.3 entitled Uses Permitted by Special Exception in I.1, Light Industrial District to allow telecommunication facilities as a use permitted by special exception; by amending Section 4-104.B.3 entitled Uses Permitted by Special Exception in I.2, General Industrial District to allow telecommunication facilities as a use permitted by special exception; by amending Section 4-105.B.3 entitled Uses Permitted by Special Exception in Agricultural District to allow telecommunication facilities as a use permitted by special exception; by amending Section 4-106.D entitled Uses Permitted by Special Exception in PUD, Planned Unit Development District to allow telecommunication facilities as a use permitted by special exception; and by adding Section 4-218 entitled Telecommunications Facilities to establish telecommunication tower and antenna regulations.



A public hearing will be conducted by the City Commission to consider the amendment and enactment of the ordinance adopting the amendment on November 7, 2023 at 5:30 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard, in the City Commission Meeting Room, City Hall located at 209 North Thompson Street, Starke, Florida. The title of said ordinance reads, as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-08

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF STARKE, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE CITY OF STARKE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE, AS AMENDED, PURSUANT TO AN APPLICATION, LDC 23-01, BY THE CITY COMMISSION, RELATING TO AN AMENDMENT TO THE TEXT OF THE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE; PROVIDING FOR AMENDING SECTION 1-12 ENTITLED DEFINITIONS BY ADDING DEFINITIONS FOR ANCILLARY FACILITIES, ANTENNA, COLLOCATION, GUYED TOWER, LATTICE TOWER, MONOPOLE TOWER, TELECOMMUNICATIONS FACILITY, AND TOWER; PROVIDING FOR AMENDING SECTION 4-76 ENTITLED USES PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION IN R-1A, R-1B, AND RM-1 BY ALLOWING TELECOMMUNICATION FACILITIES AS A USE PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION; PROVIDING FOR AMENDING SECTION 4-84 ENTITLED USES PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION IN R-1C, R-1D, AND RM-2 BY ALLOWING TELECOMMUNICATION FACILITIES AS A USE PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION; PROVIDING FOR AMENDING SECTION 4-93 ENTITLED USES PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION IN R-2A AND R-2B BY ALLOWING TELECOMMUNICATION FACILITIES AS A USE PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION; PROVIDING FOR AMENDING SECTION 4-96.D ENTITLED USES PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION IN RP, RESIDENTIAL, PROFESSIONAL DISTRICT BY ALLOWING TELECOMMUNICATION FACILITIES AS A USE PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION; PROVIDING FOR AMENDING SECTION 4-98.B.3 ENTITLED USES PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION IN B-1, NEIGHBORHOOD COMMERCIAL DISTRICT BY ALLOWING TELECOMMUNICATION FACILITIES AS A USE PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION; PROVIDING FOR AMENDING SECTION 4-99.B.3 ENTITLED USES PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION IN B-2, COMMUNITY COMMERCIAL DISTRICT BY ALLOWING TELECOMMUNICATION FACILITIES AS A USE PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION; PROVIDING FOR AMENDING SECTION 4-100.B.3 ENTITLED USES PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION IN B-3, HIGHWAY COMMERCIAL DISTRICT BY ALLOWING TELECOMMUNICATION FACILITIES AS A USE PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION; PROVIDING FOR AMENDING SECTION 4-101.B.3 ENTITLED USES PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION IN BP, BUSINESS PROFESSIONAL DISTRICT BY ALLOWING TELECOMMUNICATION FACILITIES AS A USE PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION; PROVIDING FOR AMENDING SECTION 4-103.B.3 ENTITLED USES PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION IN I.1, LIGHT INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT BY ALLOWING TELECOMMUNICATION FACILITIES AS A USE PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION; PROVIDING FOR AMENDING SECTION 4-104.B.3 ENTITLED USES PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION IN I.2, GENERAL INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT BY ALLOWING TELECOMMUNICATION FACILITIES AS A USE PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION; PROVIDING FOR AMENDING SECTION 4-105.B.3 ENTITLED USES PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION IN AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT BY ALLOWING TELECOMMUNICATION FACILITIES AS A USE PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION; PROVIDING FOR AMENDING SECTION 4-106.D ENTITLED USES PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION IN PUD, PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT BY ALLOWING TELECOMMUNICATION FACILITIES AS A USE PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION; PROVIDING FOR ADDING SECTION 4-218 ENTITLED TELECOMMUNICATIONS FACILITIES BY ESTABLISHING TELECOMMUNICATION TOWER AND ANTENNA REGULATIONS; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

At the aforementioned public hearing, all interested parties may appear to be heard with respect to the amendment.

Copies of the amendment are available for public inspection at the City of Starke Zoning Department, located at 209 North Thompson Street, Starke, Florida, during regular business hours.

All persons are advised that if they decide to appeal any decisions made at the above referenced public hearing, they will need a record of the proceedings, and that for such purpose they may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

Persons with disabilities requesting reasonable accommodations to participate in this proceeding should contact the Office of the City Clerk at 904.964.5027 or via the Florida Relay Service 800.955.8770 (voice) or 800.955.8771 (TTY) at least 48 hours prior to the date of the public hearing.

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14 *Georgia Bulldogs vs. Florida Gators*



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BMS defeats LBMS for SMAC volleyball championship

BY CLIFF SMELLEY
Telegraph Staff Writer

It was every bit the battle you'd expect from the top two teams in the conference, with each set determined by a three-point margin.

In the end, it was host Bradford putting the finishing touches on a perfect season in a 2-1 (25-22, 22-25, 15-12) win over Lake Butler in the Suwannee Middle School Athletic Conference volleyball championship match on Oct. 19.

Belinda Phillips, who co-coaches BMS with Kendra Griffin, said, "It was nerve-racking. Both teams played great."

The Tornadoes (12-0) rejoined the SMAC this year, putting an end to Lake Butler's string of championships. The Tigers (16-4) were attempting to win their fifth straight SMAC title.

"We beat them twice (in the regular season), and you always know it's hard to beat a team the third time," Phillips said, "but we pulled it out. I'm so proud of the girls."

Lake Butler Head Coach Robbie Best said his team put forth a championship-type effort.

"We played some of the best ball we've ever played tonight,"



Bradford's Wynter Barrington (left) sends the ball over the net as Lake Butler's Morgan Smith goes up for a block attempt. Photos by Cliff Smelley.

Best said. "We had a few errors that cost us along the way, but the girls played with heart. They hustled all over the court. They showed compassion for the game. They made adjustments when we needed them to, which kept us in the game."

"Unfortunately, at the end of the

match, we came up just short. We have to congratulate Bradford. They had a great season. They played a tremendous game tonight. They were definitely a worthy opponent. They're well-coached. We look forward to playing them again."

Lake Butler scored 10 of the

first 14 points of the first set — a span that included service aces by Courtney Manning and Morgan Smith and a kill by Smith.

Two aces by the Tornadoes' Tatum Burkhalter helped Bradford rally and make it a two-point game. Another ace by Manduo Wei helped Bradford stay within two points, but Lake Butler — with the help of three straight points with Ella Griffis serving — was able to build an 18-12 lead.

Autumn DeKorver had two aces for Bradford to cut into the Tigers' lead. A kill by Wynter Barrington later forced a side-out and pulled the Tornadoes to within 19-16. Two straight points with Katherine Brugh serving helped Bradford make it a one-point game.

Burkhalter had a serve that just cleared the top of the net for an ace that put the Tornadoes ahead 21-20. The Tigers forced side-out to tie it, but a block by Barrington moved Bradford ahead again.

Bradford closed out the set with Kingslee Phillips serving. After a Lake Butler attack error, Phillips served up an ace for the winning point.

The second set was tied at 11-11 when the Tigers scored five straight points with Bethany Phillips serving. Three of those

points came off Smith kills.

An ace by Manning later in the set put Lake Butler ahead 18-12, while a kill by Smith made it 20-13.

With DeKorver serving, Bradford scored four straight points to make it 21-19. DeKorver had two aces, while a free ball sent over by Burkhalter fell to the court for another point. The Tigers' Phillips had a kill off a Manning assist to force side-out and put Lake Butler ahead 22-19.

A Barrington kill off a Kingslee Phillips assist helped Bradford make it a 23-22 game, but after side-out, the Tigers scored the winning point off a Hayden Robinson ace.

The Tornadoes scored the first three points of the third set, getting an ace from Phillips and a kill by DeKorver.

Barrington and Burkhalter each had a kill to help Bradford maintain its lead. The Tornadoes then scored three points with Brugh serving to go up 10-4. Brugh had an ace during that stretch, which also included a kill by Barrington.

It was 11-8 in favor of Bradford when the Tigers scored three points with Robinson serving. One point was off an ace.

Bradford led 12-10 before



Lake Butler's Courtney Manning passes the ball.

adding another two points with Wei serving, getting a kill by DeKorver off a Phillips assist.

Lake Butler's Manning later recorded an ace to make it a 14-12 game before an error resulted in the Tornadoes' match-winning point.

Belinda Phillips said she knew this year's team could have a special season.

"There's a lot of talent," she said. "I've grown up with these girls, with my daughter (Kingslee) being on the team. I

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Former Gators pitcher joins Keystone 1st Baptist staff

BY CLIFF SMELLEY
Telegraph Staff Writer

Greg Larson was part of three trips to the Men's College World Series, but the highlight of his experience as a college student occurred when he accepted Jesus Christ as his savior.

Larson, who pitched for the Florida Gators and spent two years playing pro ball, is now in the ministry, which brings him to First Baptist Church of Keystone Heights as the associate pastor of children and families. He and his wife, Amy, have been back in the U.S. for a couple of months after spending three years in Mexico as missionaries.

"We're excited to see what the Lord is going to do," Larson said.

The fact that the Lord took Larson on a journey toward ministry is something he never would've envisioned when he was younger.

"It wasn't even on my radar," he said.

Even when he came to know Christ as his savior, Larson wasn't anticipating such an outcome. He looked at himself and didn't see someone who had what it took to be a minister.

"I didn't grow up in church," Larson said. "I didn't even know how many books were in the Bible."

Larson said there's a common phrase in ministry: "God doesn't call the equipped; He equips the called." Larson became equipped through mentors, listening to sermons and reading the Bible on a consistent basis.

"Slowly by slowly, God began bringing resources into my life," he said.

Pitching in college and in the Minors

Larson played at Lake Brantley High School in Altamonte Springs. The Patriots won the Class 6A state title his senior year (2008), but Larson played sparingly because of an injury, which made for a tough start as a Florida Gator. He just wasn't physically ready.

"I ruptured a disk in my back," Larson said. "It was an adjustment for me going into Florida my freshman year and competing with a lot of the top recruits in the country."

In 2009, Larson appeared in 29 games (31.1 innings), starting one. He went 3-2 with a 3.45 ERA.

Larson went 3-1 his sophomore season, appearing in 25 games (36.1 innings), making two starts and compiling an ERA of 5.70. He then appeared in 33 games (38.2 innings) as a junior, going 1-1 with an ERA of 2.09. He recorded 31 strikeouts as a sophomore and 30 as a junior.

As a senior, Larson went 6-0 with two starts in a team-high 35 appearances (54.1 innings). He had an ERA of 1.33 and 38 strikeouts.

Larson is ranked second all-time in UF history for career



Greg Larson, who pitched four seasons for the Gators (2009-12) is the new associate pastor of children and families at First Baptist Church of Keystone Heights. Photo by Cliff Smelley.

appearances (122).

"Through perseverance and persistence, I was able to kind of mold myself into a productive contributor in the program," Larson said.

One of his most memorable moments occurred in his sophomore season. The Gators were hosting a Super Regional against Miami. Florida had already taken the first game 7-2. The second game was tied 3-3 after nine innings. Florida scored a run in the top of the 10th. In the bottom of the inning, the Hurricanes had one out and a runner on second when Larson entered the game. He recorded a strikeout and then forced a ground out for the win and the Gators' first trip to the College World Series in five years.

"As you may know, there's always a dogpile when you go to Omaha," Larson said. "That was pretty cool being on the bottom of that dogpile."

That was the first of three consecutive trips to the World Series. The Gators made it to the championship series in Larson's junior year, losing 2-1 and 5-2 to South Carolina.

Larson was drafted in the 29th round of the Major League Baseball draft by the Angels his junior year, but decided to stay at UF. His senior year, he was selected in the 20th round by the Boston Red Sox.

"I just tried to work as hard as I could to become the best baseball player that I could become," Larson said. "Four years of putting in the extra work and the extra effort really paid off."

Larson pitched two years in the Minors. He was part of the Class A Lowell Spinners his first year and then played for the High-A Greenville Drive. He appeared in 33 total games as a reliever/closer.

Adjusting to a different type of atmosphere was difficult. Larson said he went from the world of high-level college ball where the mindset is to win at all costs to the Minors, where the focus is getting players ready to play in the Majors. He recalled how his team experienced a nine-game losing streak his first year as a

pro player.

"The coaches weren't upset," Larson said. "They weren't yelling at us. There really wasn't a sense of urgency. They were more concerned with just the long-term development of the players rather than the wins and losses."

Traveling was more comfortable at UF as opposed to 8-10-hour bus rides in the Minors. Larson said it's tough being 6-7, 6-8 and being crammed on a bus with others who are well over 6 feet also.

"Looking back, it's easy to take for granted how well the University of Florida and a lot of college programs take care of their athletes," Larson said.

Still, playing pro ball was an experience he enjoyed.

"I was blessed to play for two years," Larson said. "I really enjoyed my time."

Heeding God's call to the ministry

Larson became a Christian at UF through his involvement with the school's Fellowship of Christian Athletes and Athletes in Action organizations. He was mentored by the campus director for Athletes in Action, who helped him grow in his faith.

"He helped me understand the Bible, what it means to be a Christian and the basics of following Christ," Larson said.

During Larson's senior year, that same person encouraged him to consider going into the ministry.

"At that time, I was not thinking about or praying about serving the Lord in vocational ministry," Larson said. "I had plans of getting drafted and trying to play in the Major Leagues. I also thought about maybe getting a master's in business administration or something like that down the road."

Larson was asked to pray about it, which he did. He said the Lord began working on his heart over the next two years. He also took part in an internship with the Athletes in Action director between his first and second seasons of pro ball.

"It was through that four and a half months of my offseason that God really confirmed my calling into the ministry," Larson said.

Larson suffered a minor arm injury halfway through his second professional season, which forced him to sit out for several weeks.

"God really just took the desire out of my heart to play baseball competitively," he said. "I love baseball and like being around it, but through prayer and through seeking the Lord's will, God just put it on my heart to step away."

While he was still playing professionally, Larson began working toward a master's degree in applied biblical studies online through Moody Bible Institute. He was still working toward that degree when he began his first

ministerial position, which was with Fellowship of Christian Athletes in Seminole County at the end of 2013.

"God used my platform as a former athlete to share the love of Christ in the community I grew up in," Larson said. "It was really cool to see God open those doors through my career as a baseball player."

Larson was involved with a church plant in his home community as well, which led to the pastor of that church becoming a mentor for approximately two years.

In 2015, Larson started work toward a master's degree in

divinity. He attended a seminary in Orlando before transferring to Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. He took classes online and at the seminary's physical campus in Louisville, Kentucky, earning his degree in December 2019.

Earning a master's in divinity wasn't the only highlight for Larson that year. He also got married. His wife has a degree in biblical counseling.

Establishing roots back in the U.S.

Larson and his wife served as missionaries in Mexico for three

years. He admitted it was tough at first, adjusting to a different culture and having to learn the language, but the overall experience was a blessing.

"We got to teach and preach in Spanish," Larson said. "Teaching and preaching is hard enough in itself, but it's a whole different level doing it in another language. I think the blessing of being able to connect with people in their own language in a way that they can understand was really important and brought joy to our hearts."

Larson also coached baseball

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NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULES						
THE SCHOOL BOARD OF BRADFORD COUNTY, FLORIDA						
A HEARING REGARDING THE BELOW RULES WILL BE HELD						
November 13, 2023 • 5:15 P.M.						
Bradford County School District Office • 501 West Washington Street, Starke Florida 32091						
Policy #	Req	Proc	Status	Option	Policy Title	Comments/Reason
2.200	X				Wellness Program	Review policy annually
3.060	X	X	Revision		Safe and Secure Schools	Threat Assessment to Threat Management, new model, and Drills; HB 543, 6A-1.0018, 6A-1.0019
TBD	X		New		Internet Safety	Legislative and Rule Changes; HB 379
4.120	X	X	Revision		Instructional Materials Selection	Legislative and Rule updates incorporated; HB 1069, Rule 6A1.094126;
4.130	X	X	Revision		Educational Media Materials Selection	Legislative changes and Rule updates- HB 1069; Rule 6A-1.094126
TBD			New		Operation of Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (Drones)	Requested by several districts
5.101	X				Bullying and Harassment	Review policy every 3 years
5.130	X		Revision		Zero Tolerance	Legislative and rule updates; HB 1537
5.150	X	X	Revision	X	Administration of Medication	Pursuant to legislative changes; HB 1537
5.190	X	X	Revision		Student Records	Legislative changes; HB 1 – revising F.S. 1003.25 to transfer student records in 5 days instead of 3
5.400	X		Revision		Children of Military Families	Legislative Change; HB 633
6.390	X		Revision		Report of Misconduct	Legislative changes; F.S. 1012.797
8.040	X	X	Revision		Emergency Drills	Legislative and Rule Changes; HB 543; Rule 6A-1.0018;
8.320			Revision		Smoking and Tobacco Free Environment	Recommended by Tobacco Free Florida
Policy #	Req	Proc	Status	Option	Policy Title	Comments/Reason
3.130		X	Revision		School Volunteers	Clarifying best practice for level 2 screening of volunteers; Legislative updates HB 1121 on volunteer retirees only required if Board is creating a post-employment volunteer program.
6.216	X		Revision		Deferred Retirement Option Program (DROP)	Legislative Updates SB 7024; DROP to 96 months; the sick leave payout schedule was not modified from 5 years because it is not in law; it may be adjusted if the district chooses.

Obituaries

Robert Autry

Mr. Robert "Bobby" M. Autry, 75, of Hampton Lake passed away unexpectedly at his home, Sunday, Oct. 22, 2023. He was born Aug. 5, 1948, in Charleston, South Carolina to Robert L. and Mildred (Davis) Autry. He was 14 years old when his family settled in Starke from Wauchula, where he spent much of his childhood. Following his graduation from BHS in 1966, he began his studies at Santa Fe, UCF, and UF, earning his bachelor's in economics and pharmacology. This led to his career as a "local pharmacist," serving the Bradford County community for 49 years, working in retail, hospital, and nursing home pharmacies, with the latest being North Florida Pharmacy since 2018. Bobby was a member of Gainesville Church of God and a Florida Gator fan. He also enjoyed "counting pills" and "pouring liquids," but most of all, he loved his grandchildren, spending time with them and anything else "grandchild" related.

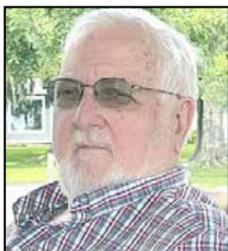
In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his best friend of 39 years, Peter J. Ganas, MD.

He leaves behind his loving and devoted wife of 31 years, Virginia (Massey) Autry of Hampton Lake; children, Cassie (Chad) Reddish, Jim (Angel) Autry, and Scott (Elizabeth) Taylor, all of Starke, and Josh Taylor of Hampton Lake; sister, Susan Moulder of Starke; father and mother-in-law, Wayne and Abbie Massey of Starke. He was lovingly called "Grandpa" by Emma and Will Reddish and Dylan, Landon, Allie, Annalise, and Adeline Taylor. Also left behind is fur baby, Dutchess Loulou.

Visitation was held Wednesday, Oct. 25, at the Sampson City Church of God. A Celebration of Life followed with Pastor Chris Chrisopoulos officiating. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions can be made to Missions c/o Gainesville Church of God, <https://forms.ministryforms.net/viewForm.aspx?formId=e4670627-86e8-4520-9f2b-a866029ed0f7>. In the memo, please write "Build a Home."

Arrangements are under the care of Jones-Gallagher Funeral Home, 620 E. Nona St., Starke 32091. 904-964-6200. www.jonesgallagherfh.com

PAID OBITUARY



Marion Hinson

Marion Franklin Hinson, 82, passed away after a short illness on Monday, Oct. 23, 2023, at Ed Fraser Memorial Hospital in Macclenny. He was born on Sept. 10, 1941, in Doctor's Inlet, to the late Willie and Emma Hinson. He was a truck driver; an adventurer who traversed the open roads with a spirit of independence and freedom. His dedication to his work showcased his strong work ethic and steadfastness. His career as a self-employed truck driver allowed him to experience America and meet people from all walks of life. He was more than just a career-man, he embodied multiple personas that made him unique. Often described as a joker, he had an uncanny and quick wit. Though stern in his ways, he had a kind heart that overflowed with love for those close to him. Despite his occasional quick temper, he was known for standing his ground when it mattered most. He proudly served in the United States Marines during the Vietnam War, displaying bravery and dedication to his country. He enjoyed a variety of hobbies and interests. He was passionate about gardening and was a human farmer's almanac. He could tell you how and when to plant vegetables that would produce the best crop. Fishing also gave him enjoyment. Sitting by a lake or river hoping to get a bite gave him time to relax his mind. His love for reading scripture and listening to gospel music provided him with spiritual nourishment, offering guidance throughout his life. He also had a passion for old guns and anything related to artillery. However, above all else, he cherished his family dearly. He was preceded in death by his parents, Willie Edward and Emma Matilda Boxx Hinson; his wife of 41 years, Lena Hinson; and brothers, John Edward and Howard Lamar Hinson.

He is survived by his two loving daughters, Jessica (Michael) Lea Kelly of Lawtrey, and Rebecca (David) Hinson Taylor of Washington, Georgia; seven grandchildren, Brianna (Raheem) Hinson, Clyde Kelly, Delanie Kelly, Ashely (Jason) Kelly, Avalene Taylor, Ryker Taylor, and the soon-to-be, Hinson Taylor; great-granddaughter Annabelle Tripp; brother Jimmie R. (Margaret) Hinson of North Carolina; and numerous extended family members.

To honor his memory a visitation will be held on Monday, Oct. 30, at Peoria Cemetery in Orange Park, beginning at 10 a.m. Following the visitation, a graveside service will take place at 10:30 a.m.

Arrangements are under the care and direction of Archer-Milton Funeral Home, Lake Butler. 386-496-2008 www.archerfuneralhome.com

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Edward Redding

Edward Leon Redding, 65, of Lake Butler passed away Sunday, Oct. 22, 2023, at home. He was born May 17, 1958, to the late Howard and Joyce Redding. He has been a lifelong resident of Lake Butler. His compassion and heart for his family and helping others was something to be admired. He truly lived his life making others happy. Preceding him in death was his daughter, Mandi Redding.

He is survived by his wife, Elaine; daughter, Brandi (Scott) McDowell; grandson Casey McDowell; great-grandson Eastyn, all of Lake Butler; brothers, Freddie (Becky) Redding of Lake Butler and Henry (Jana) Redding of Lulu; and several nieces and nephews.

Final disposition will be by cremation. Arrangements are under the care and direction of Archer-Milton Funeral Home. 386-496-2008 www.archerfuneralhome.com



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Joan Richards

Joan Catherine Richards, 89, of Starke died Wednesday, Oct. 18, 2023, at UF Health Shands in Gainesville.

Survivors are her children; Joanie (Tim Norman) Dugger, Johnny (Tammy) Spencer and Donald (Shirley) Spencer; 13 grandchildren; and numerous extended family members.

Services were held Tuesday, Oct. 24, at Crosby Lake Cemetery.

Arrangements were under the care and direction of V. Todd Ferreira Funeral Services and Archie Tanner Memorial Chapel, Starke. 904-964-5757.



Eleanor Brown

Mrs. Eleanor Marie Brown, of Kingsley Lake, passed away on Thursday, Oct. 8, 2023, at the remarkable age of 103. He was born on Jan. 10, 1920, in Grosse Pointe, Michigan to Carter Piche' and Hilda (Frazier) Piche'. After graduating high school, she married Herbert Lester Brown, and they started their family. She was a stay-at-home mother. She was preceded in death by her husband; and their two sons, Gary Brown and Herbert Leslie Brown.

She leaves behind her brother, Carter Piche' of North Fort Meyers; daughter-in-law, Christina Brown of St. Petersburg; grandchildren, Todd Sellers of Kingsley Lake, Debbie LeGette of Gainesville, Georgia, and Herbert Leslie (Les) Brown IV of St. Petersburg. She also leaves behind many great- and great-great-grandchildren. Per her wishes, there will be no service scheduled.

Arrangements are under the care of Jones-Gallagher Funeral home 620 E. Nona St., Starke, 32091. 904-964-6200 www.jonesgallagherfh.com

PAID OBITUARY



Lester Mitchell

Lester Lee Mitchell, 70, of Starke, died on Tuesday, Oct. 23, 2023, at the Clyde E. Lassen Veteran Nursing Home in St. Augustine. He attended the local schools of Bradford County and the local churches of Starke. He was of the Baptist faith. Mr. Mitchell worked various jobs as a common laborer and served in the United States Army. He had a sister who preceded him in death, Mary Mitchell.

He is survived by his sister, Velma Mitchell (Pastor Ross) Chandler; niece, Coyia Chandler; nephew, Ross Donesian Chandler; God-sister, Valaria Jenkins Pettaway; and a host of uncles, aunts, cousins and many sorrowing friends.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday, Oct. 27, at the Carl and Elaine D. Haile Memorial Chapel/Haile Funeral Home, Inc., 802 N. Oak St., Starke, 32091 904-964-7905, with Min. Edward Lamar Hamilton, eulogist, conducting the services. Interment will be held at Oddfellow Cemetery, Starke, under the direction of Haile Funeral Home Inc. Visitation will be held on Friday, Oct. 27, from 9 a.m. until 11 a.m. The cortege will form at Haile Funeral Home, Inc. In lieu of flowers, please make a donation in the name of Lester L. Mitchell to the Florida Veterans Foundation at the following link: www.helpfvets.org/donate.

PAID OBITUARY

William D. Cone

With heavy hearts, we announce the passing of our beloved husband, brother, father and Papa, William Derryl Cone, who left his earthly home into glory on Sunday, Oct. 22, 2023, at the age of 77. He was born on Sept. 17, 1946, in Monticello. He was a devoted family man. He was a loving and supportive husband, a caring father and a wonderful "Papa." His presence was a constant source of comfort, and his wisdom was a guiding light in the lives of those he held dear. He proudly served in the U.S. Army Reserves from 1966 until 1972. He devoted much of his career to Clay Electric Cooperative in Keystone Heights and retired in 2012 after 27 years of service. He had a love for all sports, especially football, and, more specifically, his Seminoles. In his early years, he enjoyed playing golf. He always looked forward to his many vacations with his dear wife and family. Some of his favorite destinations were Alaska, the Great Smoky Mountains and the Blue Ridge Mountains. He was fond of late nights watching Andy Griffith in his Lazy Boy with his ole pal, Barney, eating popcorn and drinking RC Cola. He was preceded in death by his father, Edward Calvin Cone Sr.; mother, Willie Beatrice Cone; stepmother, Jan Cone; and brother-in-law, Tom Bass.

His beautiful life will forever be cherished by his devoted wife of 48 years, Selina (McNeese); three children, Amanda (Bobby) Tharp of Grand Island, April (Brian) Snyder of Middleburg, and Ashley (Christopher) Burrell of Hiawassee, Georgia; and seven amazing grandchildren, Isaiah Burrell, Colton Snyder, Noelle Burrell, Dixon and Brantley Snyder, Judah Burrell and Emersyn Tharp. He is survived by his siblings, Edward Calvin (Janice) Cone Jr., Larry Algeo (Connie) Cone, Glenda Cone Bass; numerous nieces and nephews; as well as stepsiblings, Martha Smith, Patricia (Jim) Whitehead and Dama Murphy.

The family will be receiving guests for a visitation at First Assembly of God in Keystone Heights on Saturday, Oct. 28, 2023, at 10 a.m. with a celebration of life service to immediately follow at 11 a.m. Please join us in celebrating the remarkable life of a man who touched our hearts & left an unforgettable mark on our lives. So many lives were forever touched by this amazing man who broke the mold when he entered the world. Derryl will be greatly missed, but we are comforted in knowing we will see him again one day in our Heavenly home. Flowers are gratefully accepted, or memorial donations may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital at www.stjude.org.

Jones-Gallagher Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

PAID OBITUARY



Dorothy Montgomery

Mrs. Dorothy Elaine Montgomery, 90, of Keystone Heights died Saturday, Oct. 21, 2023. She was a missionary and longtime member of Park of The Palms in Keystone Heights.

Survivors are her brother, Don Shubel; three nieces; and her extended family at Park of The Palms.

A memorial service will be announced at a later date. Her interment will be at Pomeroy Cemetery in Michigan.

Arrangements are by Jones-Gallagher Funeral Home, 340 E. Walker Drive, Keystone Heights, 32656. 352-473-3176. www.jonesgallagherfh.com

PAID OBITUARY

Clara Moody

Clara "Dianne" Moody, 79, of Moodyville, passed away on Sunday, Oct. 22, 2023, at her home, surrounded by family. She was born May 3, 1944, in Valdosta, Georgia to Ressie and Clara Colson. Her family moved to Starke when her father was stationed at Camp Blanding. She graduated from Bradford County High School in 1962. After graduating, she married the love of her life, Wilbur Mark Moody, and they settled in Moodyville. She worked as a bank teller for many years in Starke. She loved being outside, especially gardening and fishing. The Moodys spent many days on the Santa Fe River, fishing and camping. They were also faithful members at Pine Level Baptist Church. She was preceded in death by her husband of 57 years, Mark; her parents; her sister, Margaret Williams; and her son-in-law, Mike Tomlinson.

She is survived by her children, Connie (Bryan) Padgett, Lisa Tomlinson, and Paul Moody Sr.; grandchildren, Kayleigh (Nathan) Buchholtz, Lauren (Josh) Green, Alyssa (Trey) Shannahan, Josh Tomlinson, Paul Moody Jr., Ashlyn (Connard) Rodgers; great-grandchildren, Weston and Paxton Buchholtz, Wyatt and Brantley Green, Mason Padgett, and Asher Rodgers; her sister, Kay (Wilbur) Waters; numerous extended family also survive.

A private family graveside service was held on Wednesday, Oct. 25. A visitation with the family was held on Tuesday, October 24, at Archer-Milton Funeral Home, Lake Butler.

Arrangements are under the care and direction of Archer-Milton Funeral Home, Lake Butler. 386-496-2008. www.ArchFuneralHome.com

PAID OBITUARY



LARSON

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at an academy once a week in Mexico.

"I got to do a devotional with the players each week," he said.

The Larsons' daughter, Chloe, who is 2, was born in Mexico. The couple has another daughter on the way, with a due date in December.

Larson said he and his wife were looking to return to the U.S. They just needed to figure out where to start establishing the roots for their family.

"As my wife and I were praying about and thinking about where we wanted to end up in our next phase, we wanted to serve in a local church," Larson said.

Larson said he and Ryan Begue, the pastor at First Baptist of Keystone, have been friends for the past six or seven years. Begue reached out to him earlier this year about the church's position of associate pastor of children and families.

"I know how important it is to have a good relationship with other people who you work with in ministry," Larson said. "Ryan and I have always had a good working relationship. "One thing led to another."

What it ultimately led to was filling that position at the Keystone church. Larson's first official day was Sept. 24.

When interviewed for this story on Oct. 4, Larson said he was still settling in, reading children's ministry books and getting his office in order.

"I'm just trying to plan out and map out and seek the Lord's will," Larson said. "Just kind of learning the ropes around here for the time being."

Larson said one of the things he looks forward to in his position is teaching children about God in what he described as a culture that is moving further and further away from biblical values.

"The younger generation — children in elementary school, middle school — are, I feel like, getting hit the hardest," Larson said. "I'm excited about teaching them to love God and to love others and about what Jesus taught in the Bible — that God is loving. He's good. He's holy. He's powerful. He's just."

Baseball may have been supplanted by the ministry, but Larson will continue to talk to youth about his experiences, just as he did with Fellowship of Christian Athletes and through his coaching stint in Mexico.

"God calls us to use our gifts and our abilities for His glory," Larson said, "so I get encouraged by wanting to teach young athletes that, 'Hey, you can use your talents or abilities as a baseball player, basketball player, football player to glorify God.'"

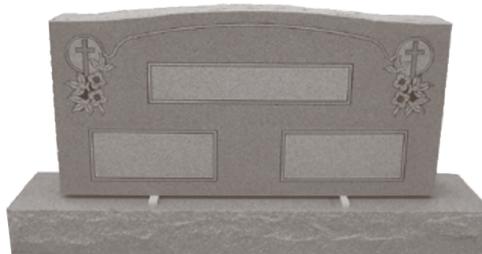
Baseball is a way of opening the door to a more important message.

"In our culture, sports are great," Larson said. "They're wonderful, but for a lot of people, sports are their idol or their god. That's where they find their ultimate purpose and ultimate meaning."

"I get excited about offering something infinitely greater and infinitely more important than sports, and that is a relationship with Jesus Christ. That's the most important thing in life, whether you're a mechanic or a stay-at-home mom or an accountant or a professional athlete."

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Jeremiah Hill (center) fights his way past Lecanto lineman Hunter Hobson to put pressure on quarterback J.T. Tipton. Photo by Cliff Smelley.

Bradford defense, QB Shanks shine in 42-0 win over Lecanto

BY CLIFF SMELLEY
Telegraph Staff Writer

For the second time in three weeks, the Bradford High School football team shut out a school in a larger classification, winning 42-0 against Class 3S Lecanto on Oct. 20 in Starke.

The Tornadoes (8-0), who defeated 4S Oakleaf 12-0 on Oct. 6, never need to do a whole lot on offense with the way its defense plays, but quarterback Dae'Jon Shanks turned in a highlight-reel type of game anyway, accumulating more than 300 yards rushing and passing.

Shanks has had almost 600 yards rushing and passing the last two games.

"Dae'Jon's getting better and better," Bradford Heach Coach Jamie Rodgers said. "From week one to right now has been incredible. The zone read and the way he's reading it — he's making the right read almost every time. When he's not, he's fixing it in practice."

"I can't say enough good things about what he's done."

Meanwhile, what more can you say about the defense? The Tornadoes, who host Palatka for the District 6-2S title on Friday, Oct. 27, at 7:30 p.m., held Lecanto to 126 yards, with 72 of those coming on one play. Bradford made 11 tackles for no gain or a loss.

It was the third shutout this season, despite the fact the Panthers (4-4) had a first-and-goal opportunity at the 2-yard line.

Bradford, which is third in the Florida High School Athletic Association's Class 2S power rankings, now has 12 shutouts in the last 22 games.

"They take a lot of pride in it," Rodgers said, adding, "Our kids want shutouts. They love shutouts."

The defense made its presence felt immediately, with Chason Clark making a tackle for a 1-yard loss on the first play from scrimmage. The opening drive also featured a tackle for a 5-yard loss by Devon McBride as the Panthers punted after three plays.

A pass-interference penalty put Bradford past the 50 on its first offensive series. Clark picked up another first down on a third-down reception of 15 yards to the Lecanto 26. Later, on third-and-10, Shanks broke loose for a 19-yard run to the 7, but a holding penalty had the Tornadoes facing third-and-5 from the 21. After an incomplete pass, Shanks hooked up with Chalil Cummings for a touchdown that put Bradford up 6-0 at the 7:15 mark of the first quarter. Shanks was kept out of the end zone on the two-point conversion attempt.

Lecanto had another three-and-out on its next series. Branden Williams almost intercepted a tipped pass on first down, while McBride made a tackle for a 5-yard loss on a third-down pass play.

Shanks, who rushed for 224 yards on 13 carries, had a 22-yard run to the Lecanto 29, with a horse-collar penalty tacking on an additional 15 yards. Jeremiah

McKenzie, who took a few snaps at quarterback as well, had a 13-yard run to the 1-yard line. That set Brian Clifflin up for a touchdown run with 4:17 to play in the first quarter. Clifflin, who rushed for 32 yards on five carries, had a successful run on the two-point conversion, making the score 14-0.

The Panthers did pick up a first down on their third series, but they were eventually forced to punt. Bradford's Malachi Murphy had the big play on the drive, coming up fast with a bone-jarring hit on Lecanto's Braylen Moore on what was a 4-yard loss on a pass play.

A 15-yard penalty and a 14-yard pass from McKenzie to Cummings helped move Bradford to the Lecanto 20 early in the second quarter, but the Tornadoes turned the ball over on a fumble.

Three plays after the turnover, the Panthers struck with a big play as quarterback J.T. Tipton hit Tez Joseph in stride along the Lecanto sideline for a 72-yard gain to the Bradford 2.

"They hit us on a big play," Rodgers said. "We were looking into the backfield instead of doing what we were supposed to be doing."

Several opponents the past two seasons have come up empty on goal-to-go opportunities. Lecanto became the latest to fail to cash in on a chance to score. Panthers running back Delonzo Washington was held to no gain

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Union Co. gets big game from Klein in 42-7 win over Raiders

BY ANTONIO HENDERSON
Special to the Telegraph-Times-Monitor

Quarterback Trenton Klein passed for three touchdowns and rushed for another as the Union County High School football team spoiled Santa Fe's homecoming, defeating the Class 2S Raiders 42-7 on Oct. 20 in Alachua.

The Tigers (4-3), who will travel to play Dixie County on Thursday, Oct. 26, at 7:30 p.m., came up with four interceptions on defense, with Dayquan Diston picking off two passes.

Santa Fe (0-8) received the opening kickoff, with its returner (seemingly not knowing where he was on the field) taking a knee at the 1-yard line. The Raiders didn't let that get to them, though, completing a 37-yard bomb to Ben Hockman. Another pass attempt was incomplete because of the pressure brought by Thomas Williams. Klein then came up with a 12-yard sack.

The Raiders would strike in the air again, with Hockman making his way downfield for a 66-yard touchdown. Santa Fe added the extra point for a 7-0 lead.

Running back Bobo Woodall gave the Tigers the momentum they needed with a 49-yard kickoff return to the 50. Williams got back-to-back carries, gaining 11 yards. Klein then went deep to a wide-open Woodall, with the result being a pass-interference penalty against the Raiders. Union stayed in the air, with Klein hitting Gavin Jenkins for a 24-yard touchdown. Jonathan Edwards kicked the extra point to tie the score with 9:18 to play in the first quarter.

Jenkins finished with two catches for 39 yards.

Santa Fe went back to its passing game, with Mathew Johnson gaining 6 yards. The Tigers jumped offenses on second down to give the Raiders a first down. Lionel Walker had a 7-yard carry before the Raiders were penalized for a false start. A tackle by Klein made it third-and-5. Raiders quarterback Tison Thomas broke a tackle and dumped the ball off to a wide-open Ziren Turner for a 25-yard gain.

The Tigers then got a tackle for a 2-yard loss by Erich Seager. Thomas completed a pass to Brook Zeller, who gained 5 yards after being tackled by Brycen Boney. Klein then made his way into the backfield on a blitz, getting a sack for a loss of 5 yards. Klein brought the pressure again on fourth-and-15, with Santa Fe turning the ball over on



Trenton Klein (left) carries the ball for a touchdown. Photo by 1stWayShots.

downs on an incomplete pass. Woodall broke off a 65-yard run. The Tigers went back to Woodall, but he was held to no gain. Klein then hit Woodall on a quick screen for a 10-yard touchdown. Edwards' extra point was good, making the score 14-7 in favor of the Tigers with 3:25 left in the first quarter.

Klein, who made four tackles for loss in all, brought a player down for a 2-yard loss on Santa Fe's next possession, setting up a third-and-6 play. Erick Hockman completed 15- and 6-yard passes for the Raiders, who then gave the ball to Walker, who gained 4 yards in setting up third-and-1. Here came Klein once again, with a big hit for a 4-yard loss. After unsuccessfully trying to draw the Tigers offenses, the Raiders threw an incomplete pass, but Union was penalized for pass interference, giving Santa Fe a first down.

The Tigers' Jacob Jenkins fought through the offensive line to make a tackle for a 1-yard loss. After an incompletion, a screen pass on third down was limited to a 5-yard gain on a tackle by Jenkins and Connor Bresee. Santa Fe went for it on fourth-and-6, with Bresee bringing the pressure on a 10-yard sack.

Woodall gained 13 yards on a run play, but he was tackled for a 5-yard loss on a screen pass on the next play. Klein completed a 19-yard pass to Boney, followed by a 6-yard run by Williams. Another run by Williams gained 5 yards and a first down.

The drive stalled, but Edwards kicked a 35-yard field goal to put Union ahead 17-7 with 7:28 to play in the second quarter.

Santa Fe punted after three plays on its next series. Seager's pressure led to an incomplete

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Bradford Middle has 2 top-10 girls at Bradford Invitational

BY CLIFF SMELLEY
Telegraph Staff Writer

Bradford middle and high schools hosted their annual Bradford Cross-Country Invitational on Oct. 21, with Anna Adkins and Tinsley Fortune earning top-10 finishes for the BMS girls team.

Adkins placed seventh out of 36 in the 3K race with a time of 13:21. Fortune had a 10th-place

time of 14:24.

Bradford's Autumn Dilung also ran, finishing with a time of 20:37.

Suwannee Speed's Olivia Harmanson was the top runner, crossing the finish line in 11:26.

Two full teams competed in the middle-school girls race. Suwannee Speed placed first with 25 points, while Oakleaf was second with 30.

The race also consisted of runners representing Baldwin, Palatka and Yulee.

BHS runner Alissa Reddish placed 21st out of 41 in the girls varsity 5K race with a time of 26:41. Ny'Asia Lopey also ran for the Tornadoes, finishing with a time of 38:36.

North Marion's Chloe Fields ran a first-place time of 21:53.



Tinsley Fortune earned a 10th-place finish for BMS.

Three schools had full teams in the girls varsity race. Oakleaf placed first with 21 points, followed by Columbia (38) and Eastside (81).

Runners representing Baldwin, Gainesville, Palatka, Peniel Baptist and Yulee also competed.

The boys high school race consisted of 95 runners. Brett Redding led Bradford with a 70th-place time of 23:15, while Kayden Lee and Dalton Bergstrom had times of 25:18 and 31:27, respectively.

Oakleaf's Jack Strombeck won the race with a time of 17:36.

Buchholz placed first in the team standings with 36 points. Oakleaf, which had 51 points, was second, followed by Columbia (68), Eastside (90), Palatka (172), Peniel (186), Newberry (191), Yulee (192) and Baldwin (199).

Gainesville and North Marion also had runners in the race.

Bradford had no runners in the boys middle-school race, which was won by Oakleaf's Cody Adler, who had a time of 11:26.

Oakleaf, which had runners finish in the top three spots, was the only school with a full team in the race.

Baldwin and Yulee also had runners compete.



Bradford Middle School's Anna Adkins (right) runs ahead of Oakleaf's Eve Schlotthauer at the Oct. 21 Bradford Invitational. Adkins placed seventh out of 36. Photos by Cliff Smelley.

Tigers are 2nd seed in region

BY CLIFF SMELLEY
Telegraph Staff Writer

Union County High School's volleyball team earned the number-two seed in the Region 3-1A playoffs and will host third seed Lafayette in a semifinal match on Friday, Oct. 27. Game time, as of now, is 7 p.m.

The Tigers (11-12) are coming off a 3-0 (25-15, 25-19, 25-18) loss in the District 6 championship match to Branford, which earned the region's top seed. The Buccaneers (22-3) will play fourth seed Aucilla Christian (13-8).

If the Tigers defeat Lafayette, they'll play for the Region 3 championship, either traveling to play Branford or hosting Aucilla Christian on Tuesday, Oct. 31, at 7 p.m.

KH volleyball season ends with a loss to Bishop Kenny

BY CLIFF SMELLEY
Telegraph Staff Writer

Keystone Heights High School's volleyball season came to an end in the District 4-4A tournament semifinals with a 3-0 (25-10, 25-18, 25-19) loss to top seed Bishop Kenny on Oct. 17 in Jacksonville.

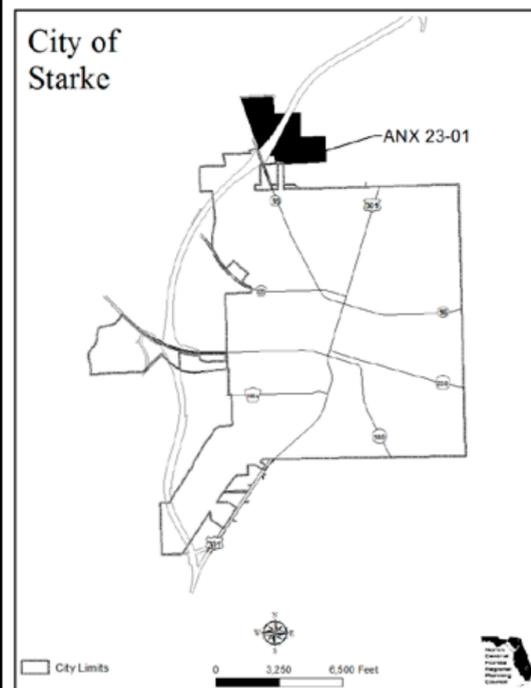
Bishop Kenny, a Final Four team from last season, went on to defeat Bolles 3-0 (25-14, 25-8, 25-10) for the championship, improving to 20-7.

It was a tough season for the Indians, the fourth seed in the four-team district. They finished with a 3-18 record — their first losing season since 2019 and just their second losing season in the last 10 years.

NOTICE OF VOLUNTARY ANNEXATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to Section 171.044, Florida Statutes, as amended, that the ordinance, which title hereinafter appears, will be considered for enactment by the City Commission of the City of Starke, Florida, on November 7, 2023 at 5:30 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard in the City Commission Meeting Room, City Hall located at 209 North Thompson Street, Starke, Florida. At the aforementioned public hearing all interested parties may be heard with respect to the ordinance. The complete legal description of the areas to be annexed, as well as a copy of the petition for annexation and the ordinance, can be obtained from the City of Starke Zoning Department, located at 209 North Thompson Street, Starke, Florida, during regular business hours.

Ordinance No. 2023-17, Petition No. ANX 23-01, by Osceola Land & Timber Co., LLC, provides for the voluntary annexation of a parcel of land contiguous to the boundaries of the City of Starke, Florida, as shown on the location map below. The area to be annexed is located in Sections 16 and 17, Township 6 South, Range 22 East, Bradford County, Florida. The area to be annexed consists of 177.51 acres, more or less.



The title of said ordinance reads, as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-17

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF STARKE, FLORIDA, PURSUANT TO PETITION NO. ANX 23-01, RELATING TO VOLUNTARY ANNEXATION; MAKING FINDINGS; ANNEXING CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY LOCATED IN BRADFORD COUNTY, FLORIDA, WHICH IS REASONABLY COMPACT AND CONTIGUOUS TO THE BOUNDARIES OF THE CITY OF STARKE, FLORIDA, INTO THE BOUNDARIES OF THE CITY OF STARKE, FLORIDA; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

All persons are advised that if they decide to appeal any decision made at the above referenced public hearing, they will need a record of the proceedings, and that, for such purpose, they may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

Persons with disabilities requesting reasonable accommodations to participate in this proceeding should contact the Office of the City Clerk at 904.964.5027 or via the Florida Relay Service 800.955.8770 (voice) or 800.955.8771 (TTY) at least 48 hours prior to the date of the public hearing.

Legal Notices

Legals for the week of Oct. 26, 2023

BRADFORD

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR BRADFORD COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO: 04-2023-CP-047
PROBATE DIVISION
IN RE: THE ESTATE OF DORIS LEE SANDBERG, DECEASED.

FORMAL NOTICE TO CREDITORS
The administration of the estate of DORIS LEE SANDBERG deceased, whose date of death was January 29, 2022, is pending in the Circuit Court For Bradford County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 631 W Lafayette Street, Starke, FL 32091 to-wit:

Lots 25, 26, 27, 28, 37, 38, 39 and 40 of Block 3, in Dowling's Addition to Towa of Starke, in Section 29, Township 6 South, Range 22 East. Parcel Number: 03837-C-2500

The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below:

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

All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN SECTION 733.702 OF THE FLORIDA PROBATE CODE WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

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

The date of first publication of this notice is August 3, 2023.

Marcella D. Thomas
Personal Representative
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Florida Bar No.: 0886858
Attorney for Petitioner

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR BRADFORD COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NO: 04-2023-CP-035
PROBATE DIVISION

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF THOMAS W. BARKER, DECEASED.

FORMAL NOTICE TO CREDITORS
The administration of the estate of THOMAS W. BARKER deceased, whose date of death was November 22, 2022, is pending in the Circuit Court For Bradford County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 4824 North West 179th Street, Starke, FL 32091, to-wit:
Parcel Number: 02229-0-00600 (7928) HX HB

A parcel of land lying in the SE 1/4 of NW 1/4 of Section 17, Township 6 South, Range 22 East Bradford County, Florida, and being more particularly described as follows:
Commence at the intersection of the Westerly boundary of the right of way of State Road 16 and the Northerly boundary of the right of way of a county road and run thence West along said Northerly boundary a distance of 501.26 feet to a point, said point being 911.2 feet Easterly of the SW corner of said SE 1/4 of NW 1/4; run thence North a distance of 456.04 feet to a point; run thence North 89 deg 58 min 30 sec West a distance of 250 feet to an iron stake for point of beginning. From point of beginning thus described continue West a distance of 110 feet to an iron stake; run thence North 175 feet to an iron stake; run thence South 89 deg 58 min 30 sec East 110 feet to an iron stake; run thence South 175 feet to the Point of Beginning.

SUBJECT TO taxes for the year 1987 and all subsequent years, easements, restrictions and covenants of record if any.

The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below:

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

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NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY

CLAIM TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S OF DEATH IS BARRED.

The date of first publication of this notice is September 14, 2023.

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Attorney for Petitioner

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RE-NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Notice is hereby given that RB TAX INVESTMENTS LLC 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 names in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate Number: 1029
Year of Issuance: 2021
Parcel Number: 06230-B-03000
Case Number: 04-2023-TD-0016

Description of Property: A parcel of land located in the Southeast Quarter (SE 1/4) of Section 12, Township 9 South, Range 22 East, Bradford County, Florida, locally referred to as Lot Thirty (30) of an unrecorded plat of "SEMINOLE RIDGE, UNIT NO. 2" and more particularly described on attached Exhibit "A" and by this reference made a part hereof.

EXHIBIT "A"

A parcel of land located in the Southeast Quarter (SE 1/4) of Section 12, Township 9 South, Range 22 East, Bradford County, Florida, locally referred to as Lot Thirty (30) of an unrecorded plat of "SEMINOLE RIDGE, UNIT NO. 2" and more particularly described as follows:

Commence at a concrete monument located at the Southeast corner of said Section 12 and run thence North 06° 22'43" East along the section line a distance of 814.56 feet to a concrete monument; thence run South 89°55'00" West a distance of 1015.50 feet to a concrete monument; thence run North 14°14'19" East a distance of 522.41 feet to a concrete monument; thence run North 04°54'33" East a distance of 342.71 feet to a concrete monument; thence run North 83°59'45" West a distance of 417.41 feet to a concrete monument; thence run due West a distance of 175.68 feet to a concrete monument; thence run South 82°40'00" West a distance of 72.12 feet to a point; thence run South 16°26'17" West a distance of 82.45 feet to a point for the Point of Beginning. From this Point of Beginning continue South 16°26'17" West a distance of 82.45 feet to a point; thence run North 87°30'13" West a distance of 234.8 feet to a concrete monument; thence run North 21°11'13" West a distance of 87.60 feet to a concrete monument; thence run South 87°30'13" East a distance of 295.30 feet to the Point of Beginning.

TOGETHER WITH any and all water, riparian and littoral rights thereunto appertaining or in anyway belonging.

Name in Which Assessed: CHRISTOPHER G R CHIAPPINI
Name on last tax roll, if different:

All of said property being in the County of Bradford, State of Florida. Unless such certificate or certificates shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate or certificates will be sold to the highest bidder at the BRADFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, STARKE, FL on 11/8/2023, at 11:00 AM, or any subsequently scheduled sale date.

Denny Thompson, Clerk Of The Circuit Court
Bradford County, Florida
BY: LISA BRANNON, Deputy Clerk
Contact the Tax Deed Office at 904-966-6280 to obtain the amount necessary to redeem.
DATED: October 3, 2023
DATE OF PUBLICATION: OCTOBER 5, 2023; OCTOBER 12, 2023; OCTOBER 19, 2023; OCTOBER 26, 2023

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NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
CLAY COUNTY

In The District Court
EVA D. ERWIN, and ELIJAH B. ERWIN, vs. SETH MICAH NORVIEL, and JENNIFER INEZ CONE NORVIEL
CLAY COUNTY FILE NUMBER 23 CVD 163

To: DEFENDANT JENNIFER INEZ CONE NORVIEL:
Take notice that a pleading seeking relief against you has been filed on September 6, 2023, in the above-entitled action. That nature of the relief being sought is custody of the minor children that are the subject of this action by the plaintiffs.

You may obtain a copy of the civil summons, domestic civil action cover sheet, servicemembers declaration, and verified complaint from the Clerk of Superior Court in Clay County, Hayesville, North Carolina.

You are required to make defense to such pleading not later than December 1, 2023, and upon your failure to do so the plaintiffs will apply to the court for the relief sought.

This, the 10th day of October, 2023,

By: William R. Shilling
Attorney at Law
PO Box 677
Murphy, NC 28906
NC Bar # 33073

10/19 3tchg 11/2-BCT

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT EIGHTH

JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR BRADFORD COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NO: 04-2023-CP-0088
IN RE: The Estate of: DAVID LEE HODGES, Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of DAVID LEE HODGES, deceased, File Number 04-2023-CP-0088, is pending in the Circuit Court for Bradford County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 945 North Temple Ave., (P.O. Drawer B), Starke, Florida 32091. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

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

All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate, including unmaturred, contingent or unliquidated claims, must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

ALL CLAIMS NOT SO FILED WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

The date of first publication of this Notice is October 19, 2023.

KAREN LAURAMORE
Personal Representative
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR BRADFORD COUNTY, FLORIDA

PROBATE DIVISION
CASE NO.: 04-2023-CP-000094

DIVISION: PROBATE
IN RE THE ESTATE OF: ROBERT MARC KICKLITER, Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of ROBERT MARC KICKLITER, deceased, whose date of death was July 28, 2023, is pending in the Circuit Court for Bradford County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 945 N Temple Ave, Starke, FL 32091. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

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

All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

ALL CLAIMS NOT SO FILED WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

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

The date of first publication of this notice is October 19, 2023.
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Florida Bar No.: 293407
1377 Cassat Avenue
Jacksonville, Florida 32205
(904) 389-1346

Personal Representative: Martin D. Kickliter
1007 Rowbarton Court
Hendersonville, TN 37075

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PUBLIC AUCTION

Ron Denmark Mini Storage will hold a public auction on 11/3/23 10:00am at 2117 N. Temple Ave. Starke, FL on the following units containing personal items:

#117 - Belonging to M. Lynn
#13 & 28 - Belonging to S. Douglas
#110 - Belonging to V. Atkinson
#44 - Belonging to R. Bruce
#39 - Belonging to V. Seeley
#155 - Belonging to C. Simpson
#134 & 144 - Belonging to S. Wilkinson

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SPECIAL COMMISSION MEETING

The City of Starke Commission will hold a Special Commission Meeting on

October 31, 2023 at 5:30 pm. The meeting will be held at 209 North Thompson Street in Starke in the Commission Room. Public participation is encouraged.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

To satisfy the owner's storage lien, KO Storage LLC will sell at public lien sale on November 14, 2023. The personal property in the below-listed units, which may include but are not limited to: Household goods, boxes/boxes/bags, clothing, bedding, tools and toys. The public sale of these items will begin at 10AM on

November 07, 2023 and end at 10AM on November 14, 2023. The public sale will take place on www.storage treasures.com. KO Storage of Starke - S Walnut St, 1650 South Walnut Street, Starke FL 32091, (952) 314-7121
Time: 10:00AM CST

A48, Wallace, Marisa, A49, Starling, Lynn, A56, Adams, Liz, A68, Adams, Liz, B04, Atkinson, Jeffery, B10, Frantz, Kimberly, B47, Schell, Debra, B52, Barton, Susan, B64, Adams, Liz, B65, Adams, Liz, C05, Schell, Debra
Public sale terms, rules, and regulations will be made available on www.storage treasures.com. All sales are subject to cancellation. We reserve the right to refuse any bid. Payment must be by credit/debit card, we do not accept checks or cash. Buyers must secure the units with their own personal locks. To claim tax-exempt status, original RESALE certificates for each space purchased is required. By KO Storage LLC, 10301 Wayzata Blvd, Minnetonka, MN 55305. (952)-314-7121.

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NOTICE OF ENACTMENT OF ORDINANCE BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF STARKE, FLORIDA

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ordinance, which title hereinafter appears, will be considered for enactment by the City Commission of the City of Starke, Florida, hereinafter referred to as the City Commission, at a public hearing on November 7, 2023 at 5:30 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard, in the City Commission Meeting Room, City Hall located at 209 North Thompson Street, Starke, Florida. A copy of said ordinance may be inspected by any member of the public at the Office of the City Clerk, City Hall, located at 209 North Thompson Street, Starke, Florida, during regular business hours. On the date, time and place first above mentioned, all interested parties may appear and be heard with respect to the ordinance. The title of said ordinance reads, as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-17

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF STARKE, FLORIDA, PURSUANT TO PETITION NO. ANX 23-01, RELATING TO VOLUNTARY ANNEXATION; MAKING FINDINGS; ANNEXING CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY LOCATED IN BRADFORD COUNTY, FLORIDA, WHICH IS REASONABLY COMPACT AND CONTIGUOUS TO THE BOUNDARIES OF THE CITY OF STARKE, FLORIDA, INTO THE BOUNDARIES OF THE CITY OF STARKE, FLORIDA; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

All persons are advised that if they decide to appeal any decisions made at the above referenced public hearing, they will need a record of the proceedings, and that for such purpose they may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

Persons with disabilities requesting reasonable accommodations to participate in this proceeding should contact the Office of the City Clerk at 904.964.5027 or via the Florida Relay Service 800.955.8770 (voice) or 800.955.8771 (TTY) at least 48 hours prior to the date of the public hearing.

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NOTICE OF ENACTMENT OF ORDINANCE BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF STARKE, FLORIDA

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ORDINANCE NO. 2023-13

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF STARKE, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE FUTURE LAND USE PLAN MAP OF THE CITY OF STARKE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO AN AMENDMENT OF 50 OR LESS ACRES OF LAND, PURSUANT TO AN APPLICATION, 15230815A, BY THE PROPERTY OWNER OF SAID ACREAGE, UNDER THE AMENDMENT PROCEDURES ESTABLISHED IN SECTIONS 163.3161 THROUGH 163.3248, FLORIDA STATUTES, AS AMENDED; PROVIDING FOR A CHANGE IN THE LAND USE CLASSIFICATION FROM RESIDENTIAL, MEDIUM DENSITY (MORE THAN 2 TO LESS THAN OR EQUAL TO 8 DWELLING UNITS PER ACRE) TO COMMERCIAL ON CERTAIN LANDS WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF STARKE, FLORIDA; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

All persons are advised that if they decide to appeal any decisions made at the above referenced public hearing, they will need a record of

the proceedings, and that for such purpose they may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. Persons with disabilities requesting reasonable accommodations to participate in this proceeding should contact the Office of the City Clerk at 904.964.5027 or via the Florida Relay Service 800.955.8770 (voice) or 800.955.8771 (TTY) at least 48 hours prior to the date of the public hearing.

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NOTICE OF ENACTMENT OF ORDINANCES BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF STARKE, FLORIDA

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ordinances, which titles hereinafter appear, will be considered for enactment by the City Commission of the City of Starke, Florida, hereinafter referred to as the City Commission, at public hearings on November 7, 2023 at 5:30 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the City Commission Meeting Room, City Hall located at 209 North Thompson Street, Starke, Florida. A copy of said ordinances may be inspected by any member of the public at the Office of the City Clerk, City Hall, located at 209 North Thompson Street, Starke, Florida, during regular business hours. On the date, time and place first above mentioned, all interested parties may appear and be heard with respect to the ordinances. The titles of said ordinances read, as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-08

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF STARKE, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE CITY OF STARKE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE, AS AMENDED, PURSUANT TO AN APPLICATION, LDC 23-01, BY THE CITY COMMISSION, RELATING TO AN AMENDMENT TO THE TEXT OF THE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE; PROVIDING FOR 23AMENDING SECTION 1-12 ENTITLED DEFINITIONS BY ADDING DEFINITIONS FOR ANCILLARY FACILITIES, ANTENNA, COLLOCATION, GUYED TOWER, LATTICE TOWER, MONOPOLE TOWER, TELECOMMUNICATIONS FACILITY, AND TOWER; PROVIDING FOR 45AMENDING SECTION 4-76 ENTITLED USES PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION IN R-1A, R-1B, AND RM-1 BY ALLOWING TELECOMMUNICATION FACILITIES AS A USE PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION; PROVIDING FOR 67AMENDING SECTION 4-84 ENTITLED USES PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION IN R-1C, R-1D, AND RM-2 BY ALLOWING TELECOMMUNICATION FACILITIES AS A USE PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION; PROVIDING FOR 89AMENDING SECTION 4-93 ENTITLED USES PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION IN R-2A AND R-2B BY ALLOWING TELECOMMUNICATION FACILITIES AS A USE PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION; PROVIDING FOR 1011AMENDING SECTION 4-96.D ENTITLED USES PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION IN RP, RESIDENTIAL, PROFESSIONAL DISTRICT BY ALLOWING TELECOMMUNICATION FACILITIES AS A USE PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION; PROVIDING FOR 1213AMENDING SECTION 4-98.B.3 ENTITLED USES PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION IN B-1, NEIGHBORHOOD COMMERCIAL DISTRICT BY ALLOWING TELECOMMUNICATION FACILITIES AS A USE PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION; PROVIDING FOR 1415AMENDING SECTION 4-99.B.3 ENTITLED USES PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION IN B-2, COMMUNITY COMMERCIAL DISTRICT BY ALLOWING TELECOMMUNICATION FACILITIES AS A USE PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION; PROVIDING FOR 1617AMENDING SECTION 4-100.B.3 ENTITLED USES PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION IN B-3, HIGHWAY COMMERCIAL DISTRICT BY ALLOWING TELECOMMUNICATION FACILITIES AS A USE PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION; PROVIDING FOR 1819AMENDING SECTION 4-101.B.3 ENTITLED USES PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION IN BP, BUSINESS PROFESSIONAL DISTRICT BY ALLOWING TELECOMMUNICATION FACILITIES AS A USE PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION; PROVIDING FOR 2021AMENDING SECTION 4-103.B.3 ENTITLED USES PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION IN I.1, LIGHT INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT BY ALLOWING TELECOMMUNICATION FACILITIES AS A USE PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION; PROVIDING FOR 2223AMENDING SECTION 4-104.B.3 ENTITLED USES PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION IN I.2, GENERAL INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT BY ALLOWING TELECOMMUNICATION FACILITIES AS A USE PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION; PROVIDING FOR 2425AMENDING SECTION 4-105.B.3 ENTITLED USES PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION IN AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT BY ALLOWING TELECOMMUNICATION FACILITIES AS A USE PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION; PROVIDING FOR 2627AMENDING SECTION 4-106.D ENTITLED USES PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION IN PUD, PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT BY ALLOWING TELECOMMUNICATION FACILITIES AS A USE PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION;

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-14

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF STARKE, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF STARKE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE, AS AMENDED; RELATING TO THE REZONING OF LESS THAN TEN CONTIGUOUS ACRES OF LAND, PURSUANT TO AN APPLICATION, Z 23-05, BY THE PROPERTY OWNER OF SAID ACREAGE; PROVIDING FOR REZONING FROM SINGLE FAMILY, MEDIUM DENSITY DISTRICT (R-1C) TO HIGHWAY COMMERCIAL DISTRICT (B-3) OF CERTAIN LANDS WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF STARKE, FLORIDA; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

All persons are advised that if they decide to appeal any decisions made at the above referenced public hearings, they will need a record of the proceedings, and that for such purpose they may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

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NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING CAREERSOURCE FLORIDA CROWN

A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CAREERSOURCE FLORIDA CROWN BOARD/CONSORTIUM WILL BE HELD TO DISCUSS THE CLOSURE OF THE RESTRICTED FUNDS BANK ACCOUNT DUE TO A SUGGESTION FROM OUR BANKING FACILITY. A NEW ACCOUNT WILL NEED TO BE OPENED IN ITS PLACE.

Date: October 30, 2023, Monday
Time: 10:30am
Place: Teleconference &

CareerSource Board Room-1389 US Hwy 90 W Ste 170/Lake City, FL
Join Zoom Meeting
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3962013193?pwd=bnRSL3JocTFL0ZHWU9tUjVkdzVtQ090>
Call In: 1 312 626 6799
Meeting ID: 396 201 3193
Participant ID: #
Passcode: 944786

It is advised that you call in as well as log in via the computer application. The public is invited to attend.

Notice has been made of this meeting, through publication, to comply with the "Government in the Sunshine Law". All CareerSource Florida Crown public meetings are listed on the CareerSource Florida Crown web site at www.careersourcefloridacrown.com. CareerSource Florida Crown is an Equal Opportunity Employer/Program. Auxiliary aids and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities using TTY/TDD equipment via the Florida Relay Service at 711. Contact Jeff Geering at 386-755-9026 X 3221.

If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the board, agency, or commission with respect to any matter considered at such meeting or hearing, he or she will need to record the proceedings, and that, for such purpose, he or she will need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

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SUWANNEE RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

PUBLIC NOTICE OF APPLICATION
Notice is hereby given that pursuant to Chapter 373, Florida Statutes, the following application for permit was received on September 27, 2023: Bradford County, 945 North Temple Ave, Starke, FL 32091, has submitted an environmental resource permit (ERP) application number ERP-007-247081-1. The project is located in Bradford County, Section 27, Township 6 South, Range 21 East, and includes 0.873 acres of impervious area on a total project area of 9.45 acres.

Interested persons may comment upon the application or submit a written request for a staff report containing proposed agency action regarding the application by writing to the Suwannee River Water Management District, Attn: Resource Management, 9225 C.R. 49, Live Oak, Florida 32060. Such comments or requests must be received by 5:00 PM within 14 days from the date of publication.

No further public notice will be provided regarding this application. A copy of the staff report must be requested in order to remain advised of further proceedings. Substantially affected persons are entitled to request an administrative hearing, pursuant to Title 28, Florida Administrative Code, regarding the proposed agency action by submitting a written request after reviewing the staff report.

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by J.T. Hood on first down. He then lost a yard on second down after getting hit by Clark in the backfield. After an illegal-procedure penalty, running back Colton McNeely was held to a 1-yard gain.

"I knew if they had to run it in, it was going to be trouble (for them)," Rodgers said. "Our guys really like to play the run."

Lecanto set up for a 24-yard field-goal attempt, which was blocked by Jyquez Cason. It was the second field-goal attempt blocked this season by Cason, who has also blocked a punt.

"He's been a special player on special teams," Rodgers said.

If the blocked kick wasn't a deflating blow, then Shanks delivered one on the next play from scrimmage, running for an 89-yard touchdown with 6:23 to play in the second quarter. Declan Hense, who recently joined the team, then kicked the extra point for a 21-0 lead.

Bradford put together an 88-yard drive to add one more score in the first half. A 15-yard reception by Cummings resulted in one first down, while a 13-yard run by Clifflin gained

another. Cummings, who had five receptions for 80 yards, then caught a 20-yard pass from Shanks to the Lecanto 35. Shanks relied upon his legs on another big-chunk play, running for a 24-yard gain to the 11. A holding penalty backed the Tornados up, but Clark was able to come down with a Shanks pass in the end zone for an 18-yard touchdown on the final play of the half. Hense added the PAT to make the score 28-0.

The Tornados opened the second half with a 70-yard scoring drive. A 22-yard run by Cason moved Bradford past midfield and set up a first down at the Lecanto 35. Receptions of 10 yards by Cummings and 9 yards by Michael Oliver took the Tornados to the 16-yard line. Shanks found his way into the end zone on a run from there, but a holding penalty nullified the score, but Bradford still picked up a first down on the play. Clifflin then had a 10-yard run to the 1-yard line, which set up a Shanks touchdown that counted with 9:06 to play in the third quarter. Hense kicked the extra point for a 35-0 lead.

Lecanto's first series of the half began with Delonzo Washington carrying the ball four straight times for a total of

34 yards, setting the Panthers up at the Bradford 46. The Panthers' next two plays resulted in 1 yard before McKenzie sacked Tipton for a 5-yard loss on third down. Lecanto went for it on fourth-and-14, with Nate Raymond getting a sack for a 3-yard loss.

Bradford running back Elijah Lawrence entered the game and had every carry on an eight-play, 47-yard scoring drive that resulted in Lawrence finishing as the game's second-leading rusher. Lawrence capped the drive with a 3-yard touchdown run.

Hense then completed his perfect night on extra-point attempts for the 42-0 final.

Rodgers' team had been on the road the previous two weeks, including a trip to Miami, so it felt good to be back at David Huse Stadium.

"It was fantastic to be at home," Rodgers said. "Walk out the back door of the weight room, and walk out here on the field to play in front of our fans. It's going to be a great atmosphere next week when Palatka rolls in here."

Palatka, which is 20th in the FHSAA Class 2S power rankings, improved to 7-1 with a 29-16 win over Fernandina Beach.

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pass on first down, while Klein made a tackle for a 1-yard gain on second down. A third-down pass was incomplete.

Union's offense took over at its own 46 after the punt. Klein called his own number, rushing for a 46-yard touchdown and a 23-7 lead with 5:54 left in the second quarter. The extra point was no good.

Klein had five carries for the game, gaining 107 yards.

The Raiders began moving the ball through the air. Ben Hockman caught a pass for a 9-yard gain. After a 7-yard run by Walker, Hockman caught a 20-yard pass. Santa Fe's next pass attempt, however, was picked off by Diston.

Union kept it on the ground, with Klein calling his own number on back-to-back runs of 22 and 38 yards. The Tigers also benefitted from an unsportsmanlike-conduct penalty on the Raiders.

Staying on the ground, Johnnie Nichols took a handoff for a 5-yard touchdown. Edwards added the extra point to make it 30-7 with 1:04 remaining in the first half.

Diston returned the kickoff to

open the second half 40 yards, but the Tigers' offense went three-and-out.

Union's defense made a stand and forced the Raiders to go three-and-out. Diston had a big run on the punt return, gaining 35 yards.

Santa Fe recorded a sack for a 5-yard loss, but Klein would come back and throw a pass to the back of the end zone, which Bryan Tyson caught for a 20-yard touchdown and a 36-7 lead with 7:38 to play in the third quarter. The extra point was no good.

Klein completed 10 of 13 passes for 145 yards.

The Raiders' offense would earn a new set of downs on runs of 4 yards by Walker and 7 yards by Jordan Watson. Santa Fe would later go for it on fourth-and-2, with Turner catching a 6-yard pass. The Raiders set up the run game for Watson, who had back-to-back carries for a total of 9 yards. On third-and-1, Santa Fe tried to catch the defense sleeping on a pass to a wide-open receiver in the end zone. Diston came out of nowhere, picking the pass off and taking it back to the 48-yard line.

Williams had a run of 17 yards for the Tigers, who then got a 37-yard catch from Woodall, who finished with five receptions for 64 yards. A deep pass to Jenkins resulted in pass interference by the Raiders. Later, on third-

and-8, Klein, on a bootleg to the right, gained 9 yards to make it first-and-goal. Union fumbled on the next play, with the Raiders recovering.

Johnson had a 5-yard catch on a comeback route, but Diston forced a fumble, which was recovered by Santa Fe. A 3-yard run by Watson would give the Raiders a first down. Diston then broke up a pass before Jimmy Cox had back-to-back big plays for the defense — a tackle for no gain and a sack for a 6-yard loss. Santa Fe punted on fourth-and-16.

Blake McCoy returned the punt 72 yards for a touchdown with 5:39 to play in the fourth quarter. The extra point was no good.

The Tigers' Deonte Jones picked off a pass on Santa Fe's final possession, almost taking it to the house before getting tripped up with 19 seconds on the clock.

Klein led the defense with eight tackles, while Boney and Ashton Newsom finished with seven and six, respectively.

The Tigers' next game is against the 10th-ranked team in the Florida High School Athletic Association's Class 1R power rankings. Dixie (6-2) is coming off a 41-7 win over Hamilton County.

Union is ranked 14th.

Legal Notices

Legals for the week of Oct. 26, 2023

BRADFORD

THE PUBLIC IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that the Bradford County Board of County Commissioners will have a board meeting on November 7, 2023 at 9:30 AM, inside the county commission meeting room, located in the north wing section of the Bradford County Courthouse, 945 N. Temple, Avenue, Starke, FL. A copy of the meeting agenda may be obtained from the Bradford County website: www.bradfordcountyfl.gov. Said meeting location is secured — no firearms or weapons are permitted.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Bradford County School Board will meet on November 13, 2023 at 5:00 pm for the Reorganizational Meeting, and 5:15 pm for a Public Hearing on Proposed Rule on Board Policies. The Regular School Board Meeting will follow.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR BRADFORD COUNTY, FLORIDA

CIVIL ACTION CASE NO.: 04-2022-CA-000427

DIVISION: BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., Plaintiff,

vs. THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER, OR AGAINST, PAUL G. FRIESE AKA PAUL GLENN FRIESE, DECEASED, et al., Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF RESCHEDULED SALE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN Pursuant to an Order Rescheduling Foreclosure Sale dated August 31, 2023, and entered in Case No. 04-2022-CA-000427 of the Circuit Court of the Eighth Judicial Circuit in and for Bradford County, Florida in which Bank of America, N.A., is the Plaintiff and The Unknown Heirs,

Devisees, Grantees, Assignees, Lienors, Creditors, Trustees, or other Claimants claiming by, through, under, or against, Paul G. Friese aka Paul Glenn Friese, deceased, Sandra Acree, Paul Glenn Friese, Jr. a/k/a Glenn Friese, Trust Bank f/k/a Suntrust Bank, 5 Star Roofing Services, are defendants, the Bradford County Clerk of the Circuit Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash in/on online at in front of the Bradford County Courthouse, 945 Temple Avenue, Starke, Florida 32091, Bradford County, Florida at 11:00 AM, E.S.T. on the November 16, 2023 the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment of Foreclosure:

COMMENCE AT THE POINT WHERE THE EAST BOUNDARY LINE OF THE NW 1/4 OF SECTION 25, TOWNSHIP 7 SOUTH, RANGE 21 EAST, BRADFORD COUNTY, FLORIDA, INTERSECTS THE SOUTH RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF SR NO. 18, AND RUN THENCE SOUTH 0 DEGREES 26' EAST A DISTANCE OF 208.75 FEET; RUN THENCE WEST, AT RIGHT ANGLES TO THE LAST COURSE RUN, A DISTANCE OF 208.75 FEET; RUN THENCE NORTH 0 DEGREES 26' WEST A DISTANCE OF 208.75 FEET, TO THE SAID SOUTH RIGHT OF WAY LINE; RUN THENCE EAST ALONG SAID RIGHT OF WAY LINE 208.75 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. A/K/A 6978 SW CR 18 HAMPTON FL 32044

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the Lis Pendens must file a claim before the Clerk reports the surplus as unclaimed.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing has also been furnished to all parties on the attached service list by mail or eService.

Dated this 19th day of October, 2023.

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eService: servealaw@albertellilaw.com

By: /s/ Nathan Gryglewicz, Florida Bar #762121

Nathan Gryglewicz, Esq. CT - 22-007861

If you are a person with a disability

who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Persons with a disability who need any accommodation in order to participate should call Jan Phillips, ADA Coordinator, Alachua County Courthouse, 201 E. University Ave., Gainesville, FL 32601 at (352)337-6237 within two (2) working days of receipt of this notice; if you are hearing impaired, please call 1-800-955-8771; if you are voice impaired, please call 1-800-955-8770.

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UNION

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA IN AND FOR UNION COUNTY

GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION

CASE NO. 63-2022-CA-000024 U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY, BUT SOLELY AS TRUSTEE OF LSRMF MH MASTER PARTICIPATION TRUST II, Plaintiff,

vs. JENNIFER DAWN SOUTHERLAND, et al., Defendant.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Summary Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered August 24, 2023 in Civil Case No. 63-2022-CA-000024 of the Circuit Court of the EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT in and for Union County, Lake Butler, Florida, wherein U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY, BUT SOLELY AS TRUSTEE OF LSRMF MH MASTER PARTICIPATION TRUST II is Plaintiff and Jennifer Dawn Southerland, et al., are Defendants, the Clerk of Court, Kellie Hendricks Rhoades, Cpa, will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash Union County Courthouse, 55 West Main Street, Front Lobby, Lake Butler, FL 32054 in accordance with Chapter 45, Florida Statutes on the 9th day of November, 2023 at 11:00 AM on the following described property as set forth in said Summary Final Judgment, to-wit: A PARCEL OF LAND CONTAINING

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As Clerk of the Court BY: Crystal Norman

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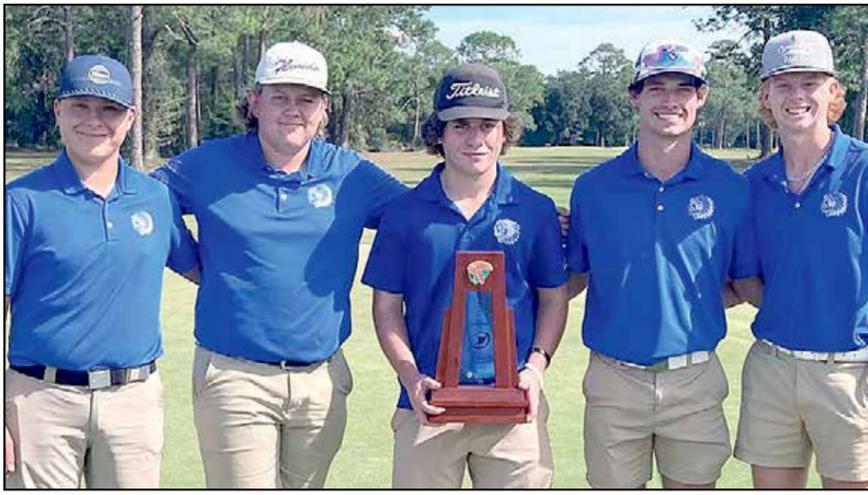
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Keystone Heights' boys golf team won the District 3-1A championship — the Indians' third straight title. Pictured (l-r) are Jacob Beach, Nick Binet, Alex Addington, Connor Guy and Ty Mitzel.

KHHS wins 3rd straight district title in boys golf

Indians' Guy is medalist, while Bradford's Zink also qualifies for Region 1-1A finals

BY CLIFF SMELLEY
Telegraph Staff Writer

Keystone Heights High School finished well in front of the eight-team field in claiming the District 3-1A trophy on Oct. 23 at Quail Heights Country Club in Lake City.

The Indians had a team score of 320 in winning their third straight district title. They were 32 strokes ahead of runner-up Madison County in the 18-hole tournament.

Bradford placed sixth with a score of 407, while Union County was eighth with a score of 496.

Keystone, Madison and Lafayette now advance to the Region 1 finals, which will be held Monday, Oct. 30, at Jacksonville Beach Golf Club.

The Tornadoes' Charlie

Team	Score	Individual Scores
Branford	495	104
Union County	496	67, 62, 129
Bradford	407	52, 53, 105

Bradford's Charlie Zink points to his final 18-hole score of 86, which qualified him for the Oct. 30 Region 1-1A tournament at Jacksonville Beach Golf Club.

Zink qualified for the Region 1 tournament by virtue of being one of the top three individuals not on one of the top three teams.

Keystone was led by Connor Guy, who won the individual district championship with a score of 72. He had a birdie and made par on 15 holes in finishing four strokes ahead of Lafayette's Trey Galbraith and Madison's Jarrod Sullivan.

Guy improved upon his third-place score at last year's district finals by seven strokes.

The Indians' Alex Addington

and Ty Mitzel placed fourth and fifth, respectively, with scores of 80 and 82. Addington made par on 11 holes, while Mitzel, who improved his score from last year by five strokes, had a birdie and made par on eight holes.

Keystone's Nick Binet and Bradford's Zink each shot an 86 to tie for 10th. Binet had a birdie and made par on six holes, while Zink, in improving his score from last year by 15 strokes, made par on six holes.

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Tigers' Eva Whitehead swims to 2 district titles

BY CLIFF SMELLEY
Telegraph Staff Writer

Eva Whitehead became the first-ever district champion in swimming for Union County High School, capturing two titles at the District 1-1A championships on Oct. 17 at Oak Hall in Gainesville.

Whitehead, a sophomore, won the 100-yard backstroke with a time of 1:02.40, which put her ahead of P.K. Yonge junior Alessandra Quintana, who had a time of 1:03.62. Whitehead was third at last year's district finals.

In the 200 individual medley, Whitehead won with a time of 2:16.95, finishing ahead of P.K. Yonge senior Carolyn Wolking, who had a time of 2:18.45.

Whitehead was the district runner-up last season.

Whitehead, who went undefeated in the regular season, will compete at the Region 1 finals, which will be held Tuesday, Oct. 24, at The Bolles School in Jacksonville at 3 p.m. She had the eighth-best time in the 100 backstroke when comparing the times of the region's four districts and the 13th-best time in the 200 IM. Whitehead is attempting to qualify for state in both events for the second straight year.

This is Union's second year competing in the sport of swimming. Abby Gainey, a senior, who also competed last year, returned this year. She



Eva Whitehead displays her 100 backstroke and 200 individual medley blue ribbons.



With four swimmers this season, Union competed in relays for the first time ever. Pictured (l-r) are Kiersten Clemons, Karlie Hardee, Abby Gainey and Eva Whitehead.

and Whitehead were joined by newcomers Kiersten Clemons, a sophomore, and Karlie Hardee, a senior.

The foursome formed the Tigers' first-ever relay teams. They swam to an eighth-place finish in the 200 medley relay with a time of 2:38.78. In the 200 free relay, they had a 10th-place times of 2:28.74.

Hardee earned an individual 20th-place finish with a time of 1:18.26 in the 100 freestyle. She also finished 21st in the 50 freestyle with a time of 33.65.

Gainey had a time of 1:46.53 to place 22nd in the 100 breaststroke. She and Clemons finished 33rd and 34th, respectively, in the 50 freestyle with times of 41.77 and 43.01.

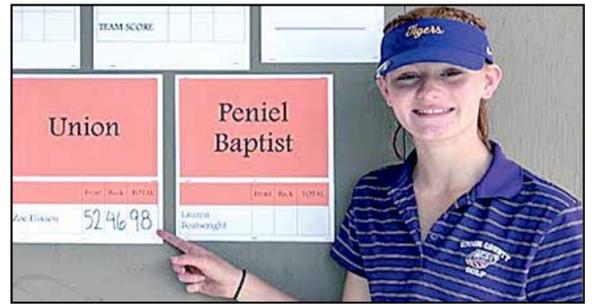
UCHS' Elixson, KHHS team qualify for girls regionals

BY CLIFF SMELLEY
Telegraph Staff Writer

Union County High School's Zoe Elixson placed third and qualified for the Region 1-1A girls golf finals at the Oct. 24 District 3 tournament, which was held at Quail Heights Country Club in Lake City.

Keystone Heights High School qualified as a team for the Region 1 finals, which will be held Monday, Oct. 30, at Jacksonville Beach Golf Club.

The top three teams earned the right to advance. Keystone was guaranteed a region spot due to the fact the District 3 tournament consisted of only three full teams.



Union's Zoe Elixson points to her third-place, Region 1-1A qualifying score.

Also earning the right to advance were the top three individuals not on one of the top three teams. Elixson, who had

a birdie and made par on four holes, shot a 98 (18 holes), which

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Keystone placed third as a team and will advance to the Region 1-1A finals. Pictured (l-r) are Ashlynn Duncan, Aubrey Brooks, Coach Emily Begue, Jasmine Walls and Amber Cunningham.

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Manduo Wei lets out a shout of joy as she holds up the SMAC championship trophy.

SMAC

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knew that they had the talent to win.”

Talent is a big part of the equation, but so, too, is team chemistry, which was never an issue this season.

“These girls have a great relationship with each other,” Phillips said, adding, “They’re friends. They’re family. I can honestly say that this year we have had zero drama with this team. I think that’s huge. If you all get along, and you play as a

family, then you’re going to do great things.”

Phillips believes this isn’t the end of great things for this group of players, who will all be Bradford High School freshmen next year.

“I can’t wait to see them grow and to one day be seniors, playing for the championship at state,” Phillips said.

Though the Tigers came up short of claiming the trophy, Best said the season was one in which his team played to the best of its ability, maintaining the legacy of high-level play that has come to be expected from a program that had won five championships in six years.

“That’s not a given,” Best said of winning a title. “Every season’s different. Every team is different. You have to find those qualities — those strengths that are going to facilitate a winning season. We did that. We found those qualities.”

Best gave kudos to Assistant Coach Angela Griffin for being a vital part of the Tigers’ success, which he believes will continue and lead to another year of being in the mix for the SMAC championship.

“We’ll be back,” Best said.



The 2023 SMAC-champion Tornados, who went 12-0, are (front, l-r) Tatum Burkhalter, Arianna Garcia, Kingslee Phillips, Wynter Barrington, Manduo Wei, Co-Coach Kendra Griffin, (middle, l-r) Jordyne Goddard, Maddison Lee, Autumn DeKorver, Katherine Brugh, (back, l-r) Assistant Coach Samantha Harmon, Turbo and Co-Coach Belinda Phillips.

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BOYS

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Also earning at-large individual spots along with Zink were Branford's Gavin Barnes and Peniel's Turner Hersey, who each shot a sixth-place score of 85.

Though his result wasn't part of the team score, Keystone's

Jacob Beach also played, making par on two holes to finish with a score of 100.

Union was led by Tucker Williams, who placed 23rd out of 42 with a score of 104. Williams, who improved upon his score from last year by seven strokes, made par on one hole.

The Tornados' Avery Burgin made par on four holes and

finished with a score of 105, while teammates Jeffrey Brugh and Robert Halsey each shot a 108. Brugh made par on two holes, while Halsey made par on three.

Patrick Maxwell shot a 127 for the Tigers, who also had the following results: Eli Elixson 129 (par on one hole), Gavin Kuhn 136 and Jordan Seay 139.

GIRLS

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was the second-lowest score among individuals not on the top three teams. She finished behind St. Joseph's Danielle Dailey, who was the champion with a score of 79, and Branford's Claire Bond,

who had a score of 94.

Elixson bettered her score from last season by 12 strokes.

Keystone finished third in the team standings with a score of 591. Branford was the champion with a score of 449, while Taylor County finished 47 strokes behind the Buccaneers to be the runner-up.

The Indians were led by Amber Cunningham, who finished tied for seventh with a score of 121, while her teammates shot the following scores: Aubrey Brooks 132, Ashlynn Duncan 168 and Jasmine Walls 170.

Kaylee Devore was Bradford's lone participant. She had an 11th-place score of 126. She made par on one hole.

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