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Bradford High School won its first-ever state championship in girls weightlifting, taking first over Suwannee by nine points in claiming the Class 1A trophy. Seven of the team's eight participants earned points with top-four finishes, including individual champions Courtney Comer, Brianna Jordan and Mahailya Reeves. It was Reeves' fourth title (a first for Florida girls weightlifting) and Comer's second. Pictured (l-r) are Emma Franke, Trainer Crista Rosborough, Assistant Coach Tammy Griffis, Blakeleigh Smith, Head Coach Bryan Griffis, Brianna Jordan (holding her brother Crixus), Allie McFarland, Hannah McFarland, Jessica Traylor (behind Hannah and Allie McFarland), Gabby Oliver, Takeirra Bakken (holding the trophy behind Oliver), Courtney Comer (next to Bakken), Mahailya Reeves, Mikayla Cooper and assistant coaches Kaylan Taylor, Roger Crews, Kurston Bakken, Joey Taylor (behind Bakken, holding son, Easton) and Andre Hampton. Photos by Cliff Smelley.

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Greater Elizabeth Missionary Baptist Church of Lake Butler will host a Black history program on Saturday, Feb. 19, beginning at 4:30 p.m. with special guests Sis. Jnett Daniels, Greater Love and Faith Male Chorus and Men of Blessings Male Chorus. Sponsored by the Hospitality Department with Chair Elizabeth Jefferson and Co-chair Valencia Moss-Jackson.

### 11th annual Chili Cook-Off this weekend

Kingsley Lake Property Owners Association announces its 11th Annual Chili Cook-Off will be held Saturday, Feb. 19, at the Kingsley Lake Civic Center, 6110 Kingsley Lake Dr.

Contestants register your name and phone number, as soon as possible by calling or texting Carol Sundberg at 404-441-8427 or email klpoafflorida@yahoo.com, and arrive with your chili in a crock pot at 5 p.m. There will be cash prizes for first, second and third place.

All neighborhood residents are invited to dine on chili, salad and dessert. There is no charge, but donations are appreciated. Eating and socializing start at 6 p.m., immediately after the winners are announced.

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## Bradford High wins girls weightlifting state title

BY CLIFF SMELLEY  
Telegraph Staff Writer

It was a day full of big lifts, but the most rewarding came when Bradford High School girls weightlifters were able to lift the Class 1A state championship trophy.

Thanks to seven of its eight competing weightlifters placing in the top four, including three who won their weight classes, Bradford earned

38 points to top Suwannee's 29 in the team standings at the Feb. 12 Florida High School Athletic Association Finals at Port St. Joe High School.

"We've been waiting for this all season," said Takeirra Bakken, who earned a third-place finish. "It's just really exciting. All of our emotions came out (afterward). We're just really happy. We worked so hard to get what we wanted."

Mahailya Reeves is no stranger to big accomplishments. She entered the meet as the three-time defending champ in the unlimited class. When it was all over, she became the first Florida girls weightlifter to win four individual titles.

Yet the efforts of her teammates and being part of a team championship left her a little overwhelmed.

"I can't even describe it," Reeves

said. "I'm out of words. It's so crazy. For it to be my last year and to win it with a team that's more or less like a family is great."

It's the first team state title for BHS in any sport since it won one in girls basketball in 1995. When Gabby Oliver, who was the runner-up in the 199-pound class, was informed of

## What you're paying for in black and white

### Commissioners facing the future of fire rescue services

BY MARK J. CRAWFORD  
Telegraph Editor

STARKE — The public may not fully comprehend — or even agree with — the need to raise revenue to support county fire and emergency medical services, but Bradford County Fire Rescue is very transparent about how it operates and what it will cost to continue operating at that level.

In fact, the department has just updated its most recent annual report, detailing operations during the

current fiscal year, from Oct. 1, 2021, through Jan. 24, 2022.

The EMS division answered 3,021 calls for service during that time. That averages to 26 calls a day, but the high end was 37 calls in a day. On 22 days, there were calls when no ambulances available for transport. When that happens, emergency response must come from the fire department and/or a neighboring county.

The COVID-19 pandemic certainly hasn't slowed things down. From October to January, 9% of all calls involved documented COVID patients. That means emergency personnel were encountering COVID patients an average of three times a day.

Something that helps generate revenue for the

department are interfacility transfers. These average five or six a day, accounting for 21% of all service calls.

While the fire division is trained in firefighting, hazardous materials and disaster response, they are also dual certified as paramedics or emergency medical technicians. That allowed firefighting personnel to respond to 577 calls from Oct. 1 through Jan. 24, around 20 of which were fire related. Compared structure and other fires, the fire division handled 458 medical responses. Of that number, there were 65 times the division responded when there was no ambulance available. Forty-one calls involved motor vehicle accidents, and five of

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# City manager offers to quit, mayor asked to resign

BY DAN HILDEBRAN  
Monitor Editor

KEYSTONE HEIGHTS — The Keystone Heights city manager said she was quitting, and two council members told Mayor Karen Lake she should resign over late-night texts sent from the mayor to City Manager Lynn Rutkowski over the last several months.

Council Member Tony Brown brought up the issue

of Lake's messages during the council's Feb. 7 meeting.

After the meeting he explained why he told Lake she should resign.

"Over the past couple of years, the mayor has continuously harassed our city managers going back to Scott (former City Manager Scott Komegay) with texts in all hours of the night," Brown said in a telephone interview.

By all accounts, the

messages sent from Lake to Rutkowski all related to city business.

Brown added that he and his colleagues have told Lake to stop texting city employees after hours unless it involved an emergency, but she continues to send the messages.

"I'm tired of it," Brown added. "I've been doing this for 20 years off and on and I've never sat on a council

when a member has continued to break the rules."

Vice Mayor Steve Hart who also told Lake to resign said after the meeting that the mayor habitually exceeds her authority.

"All council members are equal," he said. "The mayor's office is primarily a ceremonial position, but from Day 1, Karen has not understood that. She has operated as if she is in charge.

Karen pushes the envelope of her powers."

"I like Karen," Hart added. "She was my neighbor for 15 years, and in a lot of ways, she is doing a good job."

During the meeting, Lake did not resign and both Hart and Brown said they hoped Rutkowski does not quit.

Hart added that with one year remaining on Lake's current term, he hopes things will settle down.

"I am satisfied we had a good airing of the issues during the meeting," he said. "I think we will find a way to get along. We don't have a choice, and I will do what I can not to upset the apple cart for the good of the city."

Mayor Karen Lake did not immediately return a phone call seeking a comment for this story.

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## Two elected to KH council unopposed

BY DAN HILDEBRAN  
Monitor Editor

KEYSTONE HEIGHTS — Tony Brown won another three years on the Keystone Heights City Council and political newcomer Chris Thompson will join the five-member board beginning in May.

Both residents won their seats by being the only candidates to qualify for them.

Brown, a longtime council member and former mayor, took a year off from politics four years ago to focus on his business.

After a recent city council meeting, Brown pointed to improvements to Keystone Beach Park and the city's ongoing street scape project for



Brown



Thompson

South Lawrence Boulevard as major accomplishments during his current term. He added that

more work lies ahead for the two enterprises, and he wants to remain on the council to see them to fruition.

Thompson will be replacing Council Member Marion Kelly who chose not to seek a fourth term after serving nine years on the council.

On a social media page, Thompson calls herself a "proud lifelong conservative who supports the values that have long been held dear in our community."

She also said she is a passionate supporter of Keystone Heights lakes and is committed to seeing the benefits of the Black Creek Water Resource Development Project realized by residents and future generations.

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Students in the Guys with Bowties and Girls with Pearls program at Southside Elementary School created a new planting bed as part of their recent community service campus cleanup project.



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Amir Montaser cleans out a sandbox.



Shimaa Whitehead, Danielle Mclenaghan, Mackenzie Phillips, Aiden Jackson and Kali Parker.



Grant Lawson cleans up the sidewalks.



Priscilla Padgett-Sparks rakes the playground.



Sydney Todd does a little weeding.



Bryce Couey and Caden Eison are ready to clean.



Jaden Hendrieth puts some muscle into it.



Aiden Jackson paints logs for the planting bed.

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LLC (HPS), to ensure that the review of the materials submitted by HPS is thorough and complete so as to allow the Board to have a meaningful public hearing on the merits of HPS' application for a special permit for mining and will continue to do so moving forward.

"I fully expect that an update will be presented to the Board in due course which fully and completely updates them on the status of the OEC review and the next steps for consideration of the HPS application; including the scheduling of any appropriate public hearings."

Sexton did not say whether the county had received a completed version of the study, claiming that the county has worked consistently with the consultant,

but not with the subconsultant hydrologist Schreuder.

"Therefore, I cannot shed any more light on what he may have represented to Ms. Mosley which led to her comments at this morning's meeting," he wrote.

Others joined Mosely in addressing the safety of phosphate mining and the viability of HPSII's plan, including Kate Ellison of Melrose and Kristin Rubin and Jim Tatum of Our Santa Fe River.

### Food distribution Feb. 17

The next food distribution at Starke Church of God by Faith will be Thursday, Feb. 17, from 10 a.m. to noon. Food distributions are the first and third Thursday of the month. The church is located at 730 Old Lawley Road in Starke.

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# Winn-Dixie asking to expand inventory

BY MARK J. CRAWFORD  
Telegraph Editor

STARKE — Representatives of Winn-Dixie will appear before Starke's Board of Adjustment Monday seeking permission to open a liquor store.

An attorney for Belco Enterprises submitted an application for a special exception to permit a package liquor store within a Community

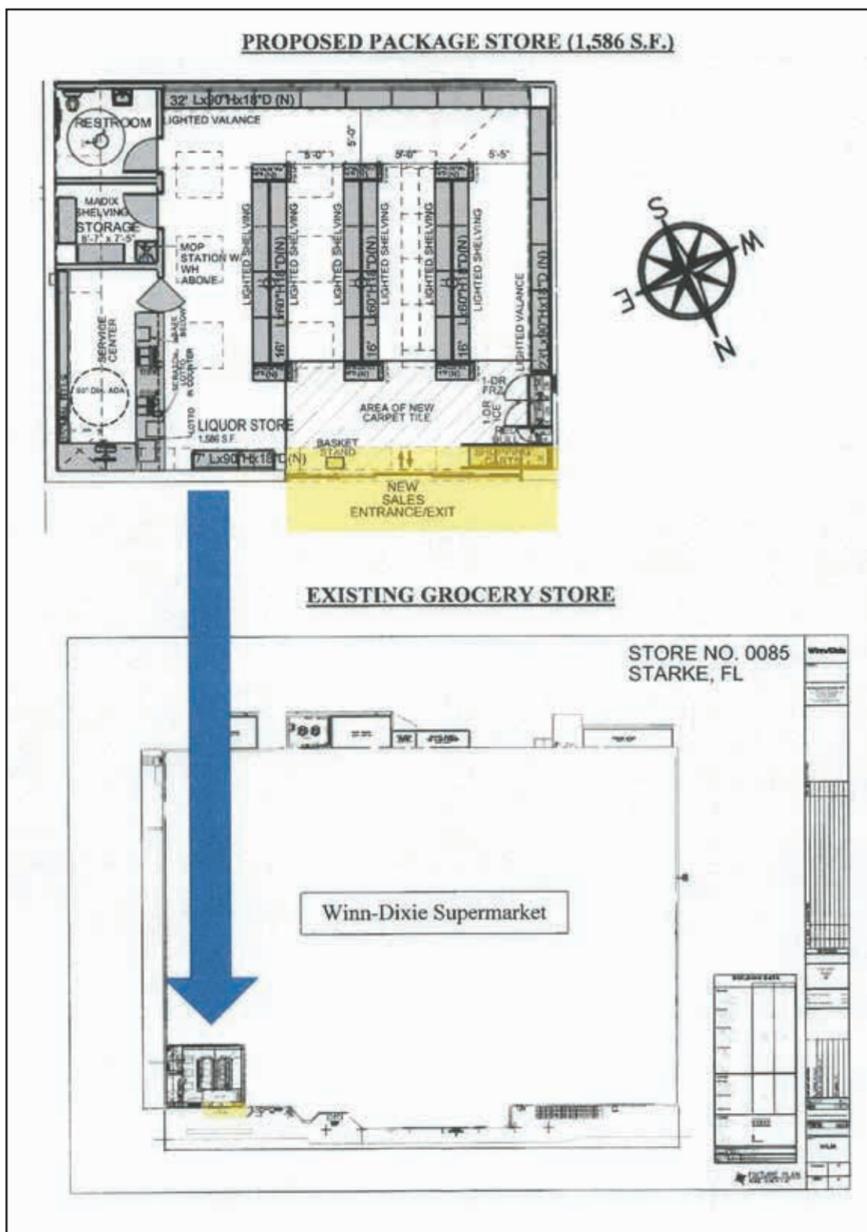
Commercial zoning district. Package stores sell alcoholic beverages for offsite consumption.

According to the application, the store will be located immediately adjacent to the grocery store. There will be a separate entrance added for shoppers to access the package store.

No other exterior changes

will be visible, according to the applicant. The store itself will be less than 1,600 square feet. New signage is not planned, although the existing signage may one day be updated to reference the package store.

The public hearing for the special exception is scheduled for Monday, Feb. 21, at 6 p.m. at Starke City Hall.



The site plan depicts the size and location of the proposed package store.



Keystone Heights Elementary robotics coach Virginia Parsons helps her team on the challenge board.

# Keystone schools show off robotics skills

BY DAN HILDEBRAN  
Monitor Editor

KEYSTONE HEIGHTS — Students from Keystone Heights Elementary, McRae Elementary and Keystone Heights High competed in a district robotics competition on Jan. 11.

Keystone Elementary Coach Eric Scamahorn said he is in his fifth year coaching fourth, fifth and sixth graders.

"This is done through FIRST LEGO league," he said. "It promotes engineering, problem solving, critical thinking and teamwork."

All the robots are made with LEGO blocks and the machines must be pre-programmed to

performed specific tasks. Scamahorn said his team this year consisted solely of rookies.

"The only student we had with experience didn't get to go to the competition," he said. "Everyone else was brand new."

"We have them program the robots to do these tasks on the challenge board," he added, "like raise a lever, move a box, things like that."

Teams were also judged on how they implemented FIRST LEGO's core values like teamwork, inclusiveness and discovery.

This year, judges also asked students to make a presentation in a research project: the

transportation of cargo.

"Our kids tried to find a solution to stolen packages," Scamahorn said.

The coach said the goals of the competition are difficult.

"This team I have this year is driven and dedicated," he said. "They really try to find a solution whenever they are presented with a problem. They work hard on it."

Neither of the elementary schools placed in the competition, but the high school's team of Matthew Golden, Kaden Gilland, Jordan Folsom and Cali Chamberlain made it to the top 10 in their division.

# Junior youth basketball registration

Register for Concerned Citizens of Bradford County's 2022 Junior NBA Spring Youth Basketball program from Feb. 15-24 at the RJE gymnasium Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6 to 7:30 p.m. The registration fee is \$45.

Leagues include Kiddie from 4-6, Minor from 7-10 and Junior from 11-14. They play from March through May. Families attending games will follow COVID-19 guidelines,

including wearing face coverings checked, and having their temperature

# Local candidate for Presidential Scholars Program

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Caleb Moncrief

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# Crime

## Recent arrests in Bradford, Union and Clay

Feb. 5 through Feb. 11

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

Rachel Joy Adkins, 36, of Starke was arrested by Bradford deputies on Feb. 7 for DUI and resisting an officer.

Scott Patrick Adkins, 42, of Starke was arrested by Bradford deputies on Feb. 8 for a probation violation.

Christopher Lee Collett, 39, of Middleburg was arrested by Lawtey police on Feb. 7 for loitering.

Jarvis Courtez Davis, 29, of Starke was arrested by Starke police on Feb. 9 for selling cocaine, possession of cocaine and using a two-way communications device while committing a felony.

William Joshua Dodd, 42, of Graham was arrested by Bradford deputies on Feb. 8 for an out-of-county warrant.

Scott Anthony Dudley, 37, of Polk City was arrested by Bradford deputies on Feb. 10 for a probation violation.

Robert C. Godwin, 56, of Keystone Heights was arrested by Bradford deputies on Feb. 11 for recklessly discharging a firearm and discharging a firearm while under the influence.

Michael Leonard Hankerson, 40, of Starke was arrested by Starke police on Feb. 10 for battery and an out-of-county warrant.

Denise Hedrick, 40, of Lake Butler was arrested by Starke police on Feb. 9 for an out-of-county warrant.

Cassandra Flowers Johnson, 31, of Keystone Heights was arrested by Bradford deputies on Feb. 11 for recklessly discharging a firearm and shooting a deadly missile into a dwelling.

Eric Lamar Johnson, 33, of Gainesville was arrested by Bradford deputies on Feb. 8 for failure to appear.

### Democratic Women to meet on Feb. 24

The Democratic Women's Club of the Lakes Area will host Palatka attorney Garry Wood speaking on Florida's juvenile

Adrienne Leigh Jones, 37, of Starke was arrested by Bradford deputies on Feb. 11 for child neglect, possession of marijuana, possession of drug equipment and failure to appear.

Jasmine Alexis Kornfield, 19, of Gainesville was arrested by Starke police on Feb. 8 for DUI.

Curtis Gerald Lee, 68, of Starke was arrested by Starke police on Feb. 11 for an out-of-county warrant.

James Malcolm Lewis, 53, of Starke was arrested by Bradford deputies on Feb. 6 for being an out-of-state fugitive.

William Edgar Lindsey, 27, of Lady Lake was arrested by Bradford deputies on Feb. 10 for failure to appear.

James Anthony Mazy, 40, of Englewood was arrested by Starke police for fraud, possession of drugs, possession of drug equipment, larceny and an out-of-county warrant.

David Austin McHale, 51, of Hampton was arrested by Bradford deputies on Feb. 10 for a probation violation.

Katrina McSpadden, 50, of Lake Butler was arrested by Bradford deputies on Feb. 8 for a conditional release violation.

Bruce Lavell Perry, 57, of Starke was arrested by Bradford deputies on Feb. 7 for a probation violation.

Steve Quinton Rehberg, 39, of Starke was arrested by Bradford deputies on Feb. 5 for larceny and an out-of-county warrant.

Robin Duane Roy, 40, of Cudahy, Wisconsin was arrested by Bradford deputies on Feb. 5 for being an out-of-state fugitive.

Michael David Santerfeit, 52, of Gainesville was arrested by Bradford deputies on Feb. 5 for an out-of-county warrant.

Ronnie Lee Seay, 50, of Brooker was arrested on Feb. 10 by Bradford deputies for a probation violation.

Caitlyn Marie Simons, 28, of Jacksonville was arrested by Bradford deputies on Feb. 7 for a probation violation.

Nicole Kristine Steinhilber, 35, was arrested by Bradford deputies for driving with a suspended or revoked license.

Jimea Alise Tyson, 23, of Starke was arrested on Feb. 8 by Starke police for aggravated battery.

Miranda Jean Varnum, 43, of Hampton was arrested by Bradford deputies on Feb. 9 for

criminal justice laws at the next meeting Thursday, Feb. 24, at 7 p.m. at the Historic Homemakers Club, 25728 Park St. in Melrose. All Democrats — men and women — are welcome. Refreshments served. For further information, please call 352-278-

a probation violation.

Isaiah Scott White, 23, of Lake Butler was arrested by Bradford deputies on Feb. 7 for arson.

Tiffany Dawn Wilkerson, 30, of Hampton was arrested by Bradford deputies on Feb. 9 for possession of drugs and possession of drug equipment.

Ronald Eugene Willis, 54, of Starke was arrested by Starke police on Feb. 6 for aggravated assault, simple assault and resisting an officer.

### Union

Thomas A. Guerra, 69, of Middleburg was arrested by Union deputies on Feb. 7 for possession of drugs.

Tony Hershell Jenkins, 39, of Lake Butler was arrested by Union deputies on Feb. 9 for assault, battery, elderly abuse and resisting an officer.

Galven Wynn Parrish, 42, of Lake Butler was arrested by Union deputies on Feb. 5 for disorderly intoxication.

Jeremy Luke Powell, 37, of Lake Butler was arrested by Union deputies on Feb. 11 for burglary and petit theft.

Kardaris M. Tolliver, 24, was arrested by Union deputies on Feb. 14 for smuggling contraband into a prison.

Karan Kristina Truett, 45, of Lake Butler was arrested by Union deputies on Feb. 11 for aggravated battery.

### Clay

Arik Levi Anthony Bach, 26, was arrested by Clay deputies in Keystone Heights on Feb. 8 for violating a domestic violence protection injunction.

Zachary Nelson Bryant, 37, was arrested by Clay deputies in Keystone Heights on Feb. 11 for assault and resisting an officer.

Jerome Lewis Monroe, 71, was arrested by Clay deputies in Keystone Heights on Feb. 7 for possession of cocaine, possession of marijuana and possession of drug equipment.

Dyllan Brad Page, 18, was arrested by Clay deputies in Keystone Heights on Feb. 11 for possession of drug equipment and resisting an officer.

Shawn Adam Seiling, 48, was arrested by Clay deputies in Keystone Heights on Feb. 11 for grand theft.

Danny Jonathan Somers, 41, was arrested by Clay deputies in Keystone Heights on Feb. 8 for failure to appear.

6243 or write cjhooverowen@att.net. CDC guidelines followed.

### Keystone food drive Feb. 26

There will be a drive-thru food distribution at Keystone Heights Jr./Sr. High School on Saturday Feb. 26, beginning at 10 a.m. Turn onto Orchid Avenue and follow the signs. Please remain in in your vehicle and follow instructions.

The food drive is sponsored by the Lady Storm Foundation, Rotary, Farm Share, Feed Need Florida, Dedicated Senior Medical Center and the high school.

## 20 years for killing sister

BY DAN HILDEBRAN  
Monitor Editor

STARKE— A 35-year-old Starke woman was sentenced to 20 years in prison after pleading to killing her sister by two stab wounds to the victim's chest.

Amanda Lee Godwin pleaded no contest to the March 21, 2021, offense of second-degree murder.

According to an arrest report, the victim: Rachel Combs and the defendant were sisters, living together in northeastern Bradford County near Old Lawtey Road.

The Bradford deputy first to arrive on the scene said he saw the victim lying face up in a pool of blood.

Deputy Jared Mallard wrote that Godwin was sitting next to the victim, covered in blood and screaming "she was going to hurt me."

Mallard added that he administered CPR to the victim until medics arrived. Combs was pronounced dead at the scene.

A sergeant arriving on the scene said he heard Godwin crying hysterically and saying, "it's all my fault" and "save my sister."



Godwin

Detective James Crews wrote in the arrest report that he interviewed the women's aunt who owned the home where the sister's resided.

"(The aunt) stated she has taken care of both girls all their lives and looked at them more as daughters," wrote Crews.

The aunt told Crews that she heard yelling outside of her residence that sounded like it was coming from the driveway. When walking outside to investigate, she passed Godwin who was walking into the house.

## Child shares drug-laced candy with friends, mom arrested

BY DAN HILDEBRAN  
Monitor Editor

STARKE — Bradford deputies arrested a Starke woman after her child shared THC-laced candy with other neighborhood children, prompting some of the victims to be treated at a hospital.

THC is the psychoactive compound in marijuana.

Adrienne Leigh Jones, 27, was arrested for five counts of child neglect, possession of marijuana and possession of drug equipment.

The incident occurred in the Shady Creek Mobile Home Park on Southeast County Road 230A, also known as Bethel Church Road.

According to an arrest report, on Thursday, Feb. 10, several parents in the mobile home park noticed that their children were acting strange. One parent took her child to a hospital's emergency department, while another mother started to question the remaining children.

"She gathered that the children received candy from (another child) and the children stated the candy tasted like cigarettes



Jones

or weed," wrote Bradford detective Jake Whitehead in an arrest report. "(The mother) administered a urine drug test to her son, which tested positive for THC being present in his system."

Another parent reported that she took her child to the emergency department after her son began acting strange and told her that his head was spinning, and he felt like his teeth were growing.

Whitehead wrote that when he drove to the defendant's

residence to interview her, he discovered an active warrant for her arrest.

Whitehead wrote that he also spoke to the defendant's son, who told him he found what he thought were warhead candies in the home and then shared them with his friends.

"(The son) advised that he read the wrapper of the candy which said 'Budheads,'" wrote Whitehead. "He further stated that his mother noticed that he had the candy and she then punished him by grounding him. (The boy) added that after eating the candies it made him very sleepy and he overslept the next morning and missed school."

The defendant told Whitehead that the THC infused edibles were originally in her purse. However, when she searched for something else in the bag, she placed the edibles on the kitchen table.

Also on the defendant's kitchen table were 3.7 grams of marijuana that she said she purchased from a neighbor, in addition to other drug paraphernalia and scales.

## KH man performed sex act while driving tow truck

BY DAN HILDEBRAN  
Monitor Editor

PALATKA — Putnam deputies said John Junior Williams III of Keystone Heights exposed himself and performed a sex act while a female passenger was riding in his tow truck. The victim recorded the act on her cell phone. A tow truck camera also captured the crime on video. According to the sheriff's

office, the trip began after the victim's SUV broke down and she called her insurance carrier, which turned the call over to a local towing company.

The defendant carried on a conversation with the victim while performing the crime.

The sheriff's office said that at the completion of the trip, Williams asked to come inside the victim's home to complete

paperwork after the ride.

However, after seeing another person at the home, he left.

The sheriff's office said that since COVID began, the towing company has eliminated the purported paperwork, and may have used the paperwork ruse to gain entry into the home and assault the victim.

## Fire on Lake Geneva lakebed extinguished

BY DAN HILDEBRAN  
Monitor Editor

KEYSTONE HEIGHTS — Clay County Fire Rescue said the 3.25-acre grass fire was caused by a burn pile that got out of control.

Station 11 in Keystone Heights and Station 23 in McRae responded to the blaze, which was near the 5th Street boat ramp in Lake Geneva, across State Road 100 from the BP gas station.

"Firefighters advise dead, dry grasses can quickly carry flames away from a pile burn, even after a recent rain," the agency said. "Please be careful when burning outdoors: have water nearby, stay with your pile, and make sure it is dead out before you leave."



Firefighters from Station 11 in Keystone Heights and Station 23 in McRae extinguish a fire on the lakebed of Lake Geneva. Photo: Clay County Fire Rescue.

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**UCLA President Jason Stalnaker (foreground) waits for the handlers to get their goats settled before selecting the Overall Grand Champion from among the six class winners.**

## Goat show lets youngsters practice for the fair

**BY LARRY DUPEE**  
*Special to the Times*

LAKE BUTLER — On Feb. 5, the Union Kassi Ka County Livestock Association held a goat show at the Union County Agricultural Center arena to give area youngsters an opportunity to practice their showing skills with their animals and learn about how their animals are judged. The Union County Agricultural Fair is coming up in March, and area youth planning on showing their animals there and/or the Bradford County Fair and area youth are in the process of getting ready for the event(s).

According to UCLA President Jason Stalnaker the show was designed to be an educational experience where exhibitors could “learn showing techniques and also how they and their animals will be judged.” The pre-show discussion was made

up of topics such as how to best “set-up” and display and animal, questions a judge might ask an exhibitor about their animal and what a judge looks for in animal.

Stalnaker enlisted the help of a friend from Ft. White, Amber Rogers, a student at Santa Fe High School, who brought about 8 years of showing experience to the event, giving hands on instruction using exhibitors goats on show technique.

Nineteen exhibitors and their animals (with some exhibitors showing in more than one animal) competed in six classes (appropriate to their animal(s)) to get a taste for such events. The classes were fewer than would be seen at a big event, often with a larger age range for competitors and breed/size range for the animals. Stalnaker served the role of the judge, with comments offered by Rogers.

Classes 1 and 2 contained

wether goats, placed in classes by size. In Class 1 the winners were: First Place – Jolene Moore, Second Place – Ryder Akins and Third Place – Kassi Kadlec. Class 2 winners were: First Place – Hunter Brewster, Second Place – D’vante McCall and Third Place – Trinitie McCall.

Class 3 was made up of meat does. The winners were: First Place – Cuyler Collins, Second Place – Wayne Hartley and Third Place – Paxton Graham.

Class 4 was made up of large meat does, all of the Boer breed. Grace Box took first place, Tinley Denuzio took second place honors and Lane Hartley took third place.

Class 5 was made up of large Nubian goats, while Class 6 contained the smaller Nigerian and Dwarf goats. In the large goat judging, Kalli Kadlec earned first place, while Callen Collins took second place. In the smaller

sized group of animals, Kullen Kadlec earned first place with Callen Collins taking second. In the smaller goat judging, Kullen Kadlec took first place with Madison Parker in second place, Kayln Reynolds in third and, rounding out the class, Jackson Brewster in fourth.

In the last event of the day, the winners of all six classes competed for the title of Overall Grand Champion for the event.

Grace Box took the title of Overall Grand Champion, while Kalli Kadlec took second, Jolene Moore earned third, Kullen Kadlec took fourth in show, Cuyler Collins came in fifth and Hunter Brewster rounded out the competition in sixth.

University of Florida IFAS Agricultural Extension Agent, the agent for the county, was on hand to help give out the prizes and keep up with the needs of attendees.

## UC Beekeepers Club all abuzz with the coming of spring

**BY LARRY DUPEE**  
*Special to the Times*

LAKE BUTLER — The Union County Beekeepers are getting ready for spring, helping each other and learning together to best practice their traditional art.

The Beekeepers meet most every month at the Union County Agricultural Education Center, home to the UF/IFIS Extension Service, to share secrets and enjoy a program. Beginners are welcome and encouraged to ask questions and even the experienced beekeeper can always benefit from the tips and trick of their fellow hobbyists.

“The importance of beekeeping is in the fact that they are necessary to our world as pollinators of plants, including the ones we use as food,” said Cecilia Young, president of the Union County Beekeepers. “Their presence is an indication about how well we are doing with the environment. Besides that, they are a fascinating and very complicated insect with many amazing features.”

The club has been in existence since 2015 and currently has about 18 members. Besides monthly meetings (with a couple exceptions, like December) the members interact with the community in outreach programs at events like the annual Farm/City Day and in teaching new beekeepers the “ropes.” Club members hope to be able to set up one or more hives at the education center that can be used for demonstrations and other teaching activities. Anyone interested in learning more about beekeeping and joining the club can call the Extension Office for contact numbers and/or confirmed meeting dates and times (most months the meetings are on the third Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m.).

At its first meeting of the new year, on Jan. 18, 2022, the club elected the officers for the coming year. Young volunteered to be president for another term, as did Secretary/Treasurer Nancy Brewer. After the month’s business was completed, there was a discussion about securing



**Allen Stefanik**



**Cecilia Young**

new bees for their hives, led by Mickey Shaefer, president of the Gainesville Beekeepers.

The evenings program was given by Allen Stefanik and concerned preventing swarming by dividing the population of hives, thus reducing crowded situations that can lead to swarming behaviors, a practice known as “splitting.” He took the time to make sure that all understood the specialized terms found in the hobby so they could clearly understand what he was teaching about. Stefanik’s program was both entertaining and educational, including a Power Point presentation and a short film. He took the time to deal with all of the questions asked at the end of his talk – from beginners and veteran beekeepers alike.

When the meeting was concluded the members left slowly, spending time talking with each other about their shared hobby. The group is friendly and all are welcome to join.



**D’vante and Trinitie McCall wait their turn to show their goats.**



**Kassi Kadlec with her Nubian goat waiting to compete in the UCLA Goat Show.**

# Legal Notices

### Bradford

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED**

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Certificate Number: 835  
Year of Issuance: 2014  
Parcel Number: 02941-B-00116  
Case Number: 04-2021-TD-23  
Description of Property: SEE ATTACHED LEGAL DESCRIPTION  
Name in Which Assessed: BRADFORD LAND TRUST ET AL, ALFRED H WOLF TRUSTEE, KEVIN BROWNE TRUSTEE, SCOTT HUGHES TRUSTEE, KEVIN BROWNE TRUSTEE

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 the 20<sup>TH</sup> OF APRIL 2022, at 11:00 AM, or any subsequently scheduled sale date.  
TDA NUMBER: 484TDA  
account number: R02941-B-00116  
Legal Description Lots 11, 12 and 13 (except the Northerly 10 feet of Lot 13) of Bradford Villas, according to the plat

thereof as recorded in Plat Book 3, page 55, of the public records of Bradford County, Florida.  
Denny Thompson, Clerk Of The Circuit Court  
BY: LISA BRANNON  
Deputy Clerk  
DATED: January 31, 2022  
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Certificate Number: 900  
Year of Issuance: 2014  
Parcel Number: 03331-0-00200  
Case Number: 04-2021-TD-0026  
Description of Property: SEE ATTACHED LEGAL DESCRIPTION  
Name in Which Assessed: JACQUELYN E LOIS MCKINNON; JACQUELYN E MCKINNON  
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 the 20<sup>TH</sup> OF APRIL 2022, at 11:00 AM, or any subsequently scheduled sale date.  
TDA NUMBER: 487TDA  
ACCOUNT NUMBER: R03331-0-00200  
Legal Description  
West Half of Lot 4 of Block 17 except North 5 feet of Livingston, Truby and Company’s Sub-Division as per plat recorded in Plat book 1 page 41, Public Records of Bradford County, Florida.  
Denny Thompson, Clerk Of The Circuit Court  
Bradford County, Florida  
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Certificate Number: 684  
Year of Issuance: 2014  
Parcel Number: 02357-0-00200  
Case Number: 04-2021-TD-0029  
Description of Property: SEE ATTACHED LEGAL DESCRIPTION  
Name in Which Assessed: THOMAS MARK JOHNSON; MOZELLE FRAZIER ET AL; RAPHAEL DELESTRE; DAVID E FRAZIER; GEORGE FRAZIER, JR; MALETA DELESTRE; BARBARA A. DELESTRE; DAVID EDWARD FRAZIER JR

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 the 20<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF APRIL 2022, at 11:00 AM, or any subsequently scheduled sale date.  
Legal Description: 02357-0-00200  
21 6S 22, COM at se cor of SW1/4 OF NW1/4 NLY 284’ WLY 27’ TO W R/W OF GRAND ST & pob cont W. OR 1184 PG 56  
Commence 182 feet North from the SE Corner of SW 1/4 of NW 1/4 and run West 239 feet, North 182 feet, East 239 feet, South 182 feet to Point of Beginning, Except part in the NE Corner 136 feet East and West by 60 feet North and South.

and Commence at SW Corner of SE 1/4 of NW 1/4. Run North 233.69 feet to Point of Beginning, continue North 130 feet, East 368 feet, South 104 feet, West 167 feet, South 26.31 feet,

West 201 feet to Point of Beginning. Except R/W and except Northerly one-half. OR 433 PG 59  
Denny Thompson, Clerk Of The Circuit Court  
Bradford County, Florida  
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Certificate Number: 827  
Year of Issuance: 2014  
Parcel Number: 02843-0-02004  
Case Number: 04-2021-TD-0022  
Description of Property: SEE ATTACHED LEGAL DESCRIPTION  
Name in Which Assessed: LOYAL E ALDRIDGE JR & LISA W ALDRIDGE  
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 the 13<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF APRIL 2022, at 11:00 AM, or any subsequently scheduled sale date.  
Denny Thompson, Clerk Of The Circuit Court  
Bradford County, Florida  
BY: Kanetra Jenkins  
Deputy Clerk  
DATED: February 1, 2022  
Legal Description: 02843-0-02004  
A parcel of land containing 0.462 of an acre, more or less, and lying in the NW1/4 of the NW 1/4 of Section 27, Township 6 South, Range 22 East, in the City of Starke, Bradford County, Florida; said parcel being more particularly described as follows:

Commence at the Northwest corner of said Section 27 and run South 89 degrees, 40 minutes and 32 seconds East, along the Northerly boundary thereof, 588.26 feet to a set iron rod; thence South 00 degrees, 00 minutes and 15 seconds East, parallel with the Easterly boundary of the right of way of Old Lawtey Road, 468.19 feet to a set iron rod for the Point of Beginning. From Point of Beginning thus described continue South 00 degrees, 00 minutes and 15 seconds West, parallel with aforesaid Easterly boundary, 115.00 feet to a set iron rod; thence South 89 degrees, 49 minutes and 57 seconds West, 175.00 feet to a set iron rod; thence North 00 degrees, 00 minutes and 15 seconds West, parallel with aforesaid

Easterly boundary, 115.00 feet to a set iron rod; thence North 89 degrees, 49 minutes and 57 seconds East, 175.00 feet to the Point of Beginning. Above described parcel subject to an easement for ingress, egress and utilities over the Easterly 30 feet thereof.

Above described parcel also being conveyed with the right of ingress, egress and utilities over a 30 foot strip of land being more particularly described as follows: Commence at the Northwest corner of said Section 27 and run South 89 degrees, 40 minutes and 32 seconds East, along the Northerly boundary thereof, 558.26 feet to a set iron rod for the Point of Beginning. From Point of Beginning thus described continue South 89 degrees 40 minutes and 32 seconds East, along said Northerly boundary, 30.00 feet to a set iron rod; thence South 00 degrees, 00 minutes and 15 seconds East, parallel with the Easterly boundary of the right of way of Old Lawtey Road, 468.19 feet to a set ironrod; thence South 89 degrees, 49 minutes and 57 seconds West, 30.00 feet to a set iron rod; thence North 00 degrees, 00 minutes and 15 seconds West, parallel with aforesaid Easterly boundary, 468.44 feet to the Point of Beginning.  
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Certificate Number: 839  
Year of Issuance: 2014  
Parcel Number: 02949-0-00312  
Case Number: 04-2021-TD-0024  
Description of Property: SEE ATTACHED LEGAL DESCRIPTION  
Name in Which Assessed: J.M.V.M. SMITH TRUST  
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 the 13<sup>TH</sup> day of April 2022, at 11:00 AM, or any subsequently scheduled sale date.  
Denny Thompson, Clerk Of The Circuit Court  
Bradford County, Florida  
BY: Kanetra Jenkins  
Deputy Clerk  
DATED: February 1, 2022  
Legal Description: 02949-0-00312  
The West 150 Feet of the South 1/2 of Lot 12, Block C, Blanding Subdivision, as per plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 2, Page 58 OG Public Records of Bradford County, Florida.

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Certificate Number: 878  
Year of Issuance: 2014  
Parcel Number: 03292-0-00000  
Case Number: 04-2021-TD-0025  
Description of Property: SEE ATTACHED LEGAL DESCRIPTION  
Name in Which Assessed: TRACEY A COLEMAN & NEIL A COLEMAN  
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 the 13<sup>TH</sup> day of April 2022, at 11:00 AM, or any subsequently scheduled sale date.

Denny Thompson, Clerk Of The Circuit Court  
Bradford County, Florida  
BY: Kanetra Jenkins  
Deputy Clerk  
DATED: February 1, 2022  
Legal Description: 03292-0-00000  
East half (E 1/2) of Lot 4 and South 25 feet of the East Half (E 1/2) of Lot 3, Block 1 of LIVINGSTON, TRUBY AND COMPANY’S SUBDIVISION of the Northeast Quarter (NE 1/4) of Northeast Quarter (NE 1/4) of Section 28, Township 6 South, Range 22 East as per plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 1, Page 41 of the public records of Bradford County, Florida.  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR BRADFORD COUNTY, FLORIDA  
CIVIL DIVISION  
Case #: 2016-CA-000264  
JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association  
Plaintiff,  
vs.  
Danny A. Collins, Jr.; Kandace N. Collins; Unknown Parties in Possession #1, if living, and all Unknown Parties claiming by, through, under and against the above named Defendant(s) who are not known to be dead or alive, whether said Unknown Parties may claim an interest as Spouse, Heirs, Devisees, Grantees, or Other Claimants; Unknown Parties in Possession #2, if living, and all Unknown Parties claiming by, through, under and against the above named Defendant(s) who are not known to be dead or alive, whether said Unknown Parties may claim an interest as Spouse, Heirs, Devisees, Grantees, or Other Claimants

Defendant(s).

**NOTICE OF SALE**  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to order resccheduling foreclosure sale or Final Judgment, entered in Civil Case No. 2016-CA-000264 of the Circuit Court of the 8th Judicial Circuit in and for Bradford County, Florida, wherein JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, Plaintiff and Danny A. Collins, Jr. are defendant(s), I, Clerk of Court, Denny Thompson, will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash IN THE LOBBY AT THE FRONT DOOR OF THE BRADFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, LOCATED AT 945 NORTH TEMPLE AVENUE, STARKE, BRADFORD COUNTY, FLORIDA AT 11:00 A.M. on March 17, 2022, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to-wit:

LOT 25, GENEVA OAKS, A SUBDIVISION AS PER PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 47, PUBLIC RECORDS OF BRADFORD COUNTY, FLORIDA.  
ANY PERSON CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN THE SURPLUS FROM THE SALE, IF ANY, OTHER THAN THE PROPERTY OWNER AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS MUST FILE A CLAIM NO LATER THAN THE DATE THAT THE CLERK REPORTS THE FUNDS AS UNCLAIMED.

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator: 201 East University Avenue, Room 410, Gainesville, Florida 32601 (352) 491-4490 at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification of the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days. If you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.  
Denny Thompson  
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT  
Bradford County, Florida  
Kanetra Jenkins  
DEPUTY CLERK OF COURT  
Submitted By: ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF: LOGS LEGAL GROUP LLP  
2424 North Federal Highway, Suite 360  
Boca Raton, Florida 33431  
(561) 998-6700  
(561) 998-6707

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**NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING**  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of County Commissioners of Bradford County, Florida will hold a Special Meeting on Thursday, February 24, 2022 at 6:30 P.M., at the Board of County Commissioners Chambers, located in the North Wing of the Bradford County Courthouse at 945 N. Temple Avenue in Starke,

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Florida, to consider the collection of a franchise fee from Clay Electric Cooperative, Inc. All interested persons are encouraged to appear and be heard with respect to this matter. Copies of materials related to this meeting may be obtained online at [www.bradfordcountyfl.gov](http://www.bradfordcountyfl.gov).  
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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE**  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Starke 301 U-Stor LLC, pursuant to SECTION 83.801-809 Florida Statutes "Storage Facility Act" will sell to the highest bidder the contents of the following storage units located at 1650 S. Walnut Street, Starke, Florida 32091. Said contents consisting of personal property, household and other goods, furniture, etc., or as otherwise indicated. Sale will take place February 26th, 2022 @ 11:00am. This sale is being made to satisfy a statutory lien. Registration will begin at 10:15am.  
A18- Jennifer McCaulley  
Entire contents of the following units will be sold to satisfy a lien & other charges according to Florida Statutes 83.806. Seller reserves the right to reject any bids and to withdraw any unit from such sale. Open bids only. CASH PAYMENTS ONLY All Sales Are Final. 10% Buyers Premium. Contents must be removed by close of business 2/26/2022. For any winning bid the buyer must present a \$50.00 cleaning fee for each winning unit and is refundable upon returning the unit broom swept by close of business 2/26/2022.  
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**NOTICE OF SALE**  
T & M Towing gives notice of lien and intent to sell these vehicles on March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at 9:00 A.M. at T & M Storage lot located at 1452 Hayes Ave., Starke, FL 32091. T & M Towing reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids.  
Vin# 1FTSX31S2XED14476 1999 Ford  
Vin# 1FT7X2B67CEA00740 2012 Ford  
Vin# 2C1MR2265T6770725 1996 Chev  
Vin# 2CNDL34F866282838 2008 Chev  
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### FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION NOTICE OF AGENCY ACTION

The Florida Department of Environmental Protection ("Department") gives notice of issuance of a combined environmental resource permit ("Permit"), confirming regulatory, proprietary, and federal authorization, to Scott Mandel at 2732 Southeast County Road 21-B, Melrose, Florida 32666, Section 35, Township 8 South, Range 22 East, Bradford County, for the construction of a 164' long single family dock, with two boat slips and a second story observation platform, preempting 1979.5 sq. ft. of sovereign submerged land within Lake Santa Fe, Alachua County, Florida. The Department's File Number for this authorization is 04-0290349-003-EG. This action is final and effective on the date filed with the Clerk of the Department unless a petition for an administrative hearing is timely filed under Sections 120.569 and 120.57, F.S., before the deadline for filing a petition. On the filing of a timely and sufficient petition, this action will not be final and effective until further order of the Department. Because the administrative hearing process is designed to formulate final agency action, the hearing process may result in a modification of the agency action or even denial of the application.

**Petition for Administrative Hearing.** A person whose substantial interests are affected by the Department's action may petition for an administrative proceeding (hearing) under Sections 120.569 and 120.57, F.S. Pursuant to Rules 28-106.201 and 28-106.301, F.A.C., a petition for an administrative hearing must contain the following information:

a) The name and address of each agency affected and each agency's file or identification number, if known; b) The name, address, any e-mail address, any facsimile number, and telephone number of the petitioner, if the petitioner is not represented by an attorney or a qualified representative; the name, address, and telephone number of the petitioner's representative, if any, which shall be the address for service purposes during the course of the proceeding; and an explanation of how the petitioner's substantial interests will be affected by the agency determination; c) A statement of when and how the petitioner received notice of the agency decision; d) A statement of all disputed issues of material fact. If there are none, the petition must so indicate; e) A concise statement of the ultimate facts alleged, including the specific facts that the petitioner contends warrant reversal or modification of the agency's proposed action; f) A statement of the specific rules or statutes that the petitioner contends require reversal or modification of the agency's proposed action, including an explanation of how the alleged facts relate to the specific rules or statutes; and g) A statement of the relief sought by the petitioner, stating precisely the action that the petitioner wishes the agency to take with respect to the agency's proposed action.

The petition must be filed (received by the Clerk) in the Office of General Counsel of the Department at 3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, Mail Station 35, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000, or via electronic correspondence at [Agency\\_Clerk@dep.state.fl.us](mailto:Agency_Clerk@dep.state.fl.us). Also, a copy of the petition shall be mailed to the applicant at the address indicated above at the time of filing.

**Time Period for Filing a Petition**  
In accordance with Rule 62-110.106(3), F.A.C., petitions for an administrative hearing by the applicant and persons entitled to written notice under Section 120.60(3), F.S., must be filed within 21 days of receipt of this written notice. Petitions filed by any persons other than the applicant, and other than those entitled to written notice under Section 120.60(3), F.S., must be filed within 21 days of publication of the notice or within 21 days of receipt of the written notice, whichever occurs first. You cannot justifiably rely on the finality of this decision unless

notice of this decision and the right of substantially affected persons to challenge this decision has been duly published or otherwise provided to all persons substantially affected by the decision. While you are not required to publish notice of this action, you may elect to do so pursuant Rule 62.110.106(10)(a).

The failure to file a petition within the appropriate time period shall constitute a waiver of that person's right to request an administrative determination (hearing) under Sections 120.569 and 120.57, F.S., or to intervene in this proceeding and participate as a party to it. Any subsequent intervention (in a proceeding initiated by another party) will be only at the discretion of the presiding officer upon the filing of a motion in compliance with Rule 28-106.205, F.A.C. If you do not publish notice of this action, this waiver will not apply to persons who have not received written notice of this action.

**Extension of Time**  
Under Rule 62-110.106(4), F.A.C., a person whose substantial interests are affected by the Department's action may also request an extension of time to file a petition for an administrative hearing. The Department may, for good cause shown, grant the request for an extension of time. Requests for extension of time must be filed with the Office of General Counsel of the Department at 3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, Mail Station 35, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000, or via electronic correspondence at [Agency\\_Clerk@dep.state.fl.us](mailto:Agency_Clerk@dep.state.fl.us) before the deadline for filing a petition for an administrative hearing. A timely request for extension of time shall toll the running of the time period for filing a petition until the request is acted upon.

**Mediation**  
Mediation is not available in this proceeding.  
**FLAWAC Review**  
The applicant, or any party within the meaning of Section 373.114(1)(a) or 373.4275, F.S., may also seek appellate review of this order before the Land and Water Adjudicatory Commission under Section 373.114(1) or 373.4275, F.S. Requests for review before the Land and Water Adjudicatory Commission must be filed with the Secretary of the Commission and served on the Department within 20 days from the date when this order is filed with the Clerk of the Department.

**Judicial Review**  
Once this decision becomes final, any party to this action has the right to seek judicial review pursuant to Section 120.68, F.S., by filing a Notice of Appeal pursuant to Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure 9.110 and 9.190 with the Clerk of the Department in the Office of General Counsel (Station #35, 3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000) and by filing a copy of the Notice of Appeal accompanied by the applicable filing fees with the appropriate district court of appeal. The notice must be filed within 30 days from the date this action is filed with the Clerk of the Department.  
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### PUBLIC NOTICE OF INTENT TO ISSUE AIR PERMIT

Florida Department of Environmental Protection  
Northeast District Office  
Draft/Proposed Permit No. 1250005-012-AV  
West Fraser, Inc.; West Fraser Lake  
Butler Lumber Division  
Union County, Florida

**Applicant:** The applicant for this project is West Fraser, Inc. The applicant's responsible official and mailing address are: Joshua Crawford, General Manager, West Fraser, Inc., West Fraser Lake Butler Lumber Division, 9022 Southeast 186th Place, Lake Butler, Florida, 32054. **Facility Location:** The applicant operates the existing West Fraser Lake Butler Lumber Division facility, which is located in Union County at 9022 Southeast 186th Place, Lake Butler, Florida.

**Project:** The applicant applied on January 18, 2022 to the Department for a Title V air operation permit renewal. This is a renewal of Title V Air Operation Permit No. 1250005-010-AV. The existing facility consists of several pieces of equipment used to process wood into chips and lumber. Equipment includes: a log debarker, saw, chipper, sorter, planer, cyclones, drying kilns, and a hammermill. Southern pine logs are debarked, sawed and then dried in the kilns. The dried lumber is then planed, trimmed, and graded prior to shipment. The facility production is 130,000 MBF/year with the capacity of each kiln averaging approximately 43,333 MBF/year. Emissions from the facility include volatile organic compounds, particulate matter, and oxides of nitrogen. The emissions from the three direct fired kilns are uncontrolled.

**Permitting Authority:** Applications for Title V air operation permits are subject to review in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 403, Florida Statutes (F.S.) and Chapters 62-4, 62-210 and 62-213, of the Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.). The proposed project is not exempt from air permitting requirements and a Title V air operation permit is required to operate the facility. The Northeast District Office is the Permitting Authority responsible for making a permit determination for this project. The Permitting Authority's physical address is: 8800 Baymeadows Way West, Suite 100, Jacksonville, Florida 32256. The Permitting Authority's mailing address is: 8800 Baymeadows Way West, Suite 100, Jacksonville, Florida 32256. The Permitting Authority's telephone number is (904) 256-1700.

**Project File:** A complete project file is available for public inspection during the normal business hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday (except legal holidays), at the address indicated above for the Permitting Authority. The complete project file includes the draft permit, the Statement of Basis, the application, and the information submitted by the applicant, exclusive of confidential records under Section 403.111, F.S. Interested persons may view the draft/proposed permit by visiting the following website: <https://fldep.dep.state.fl.us/air/emission/apds/default.asp> and entering the permit number shown above. Interested persons may contact the Permitting Authority's project review engineer for additional information at the address or phone number listed above.

**Notice of Intent to Issue Permit:** The

Permitting Authority gives notice of its intent to issue a renewed Title V air operation permit to the applicant for the project described above. The applicant has provided reasonable assurance that continued operation of the existing equipment will not adversely impact air quality and that the project will comply with all appropriate provisions of Chapters 62-4, 62-204, 62-210, 62-212, 62-213, 62-296 and 62-297, F.A.C. The Permitting Authority will issue a proposed permit and subsequent final permit in accordance with the conditions of the draft/proposed permit unless a response received in accordance with the following procedures results in a different decision or a significant change of terms or conditions.

**Comments:** The Permitting Authority will accept written comments concerning the draft/proposed Title V air operation permit for a period of 30 days from the date of publication of the Public Notice. Written comments must be received by the close of business (5:00 p.m.), on or before the end of this 30-day period by the Permitting Authority at the above address. As part of his or her comments, any person may also request that the

Permitting Authority hold a public meeting on this permitting action. If the Permitting Authority determines there is sufficient interest for a public meeting, it will publish notice of the time, date, and location in the Florida Administrative Register (FAR). If a public meeting is requested within the 30-day comment period and (Public conducted by the Permitting Authority, any oral and written comments received during the public meeting will also be considered by the Permitting Authority. If timely received written comments or comments received at a public meeting result in a significant change to the draft permit, the Permitting Authority shall issue a revised draft/proposed permit and require, if applicable, another Public Notice. All comments filed will be made available for public inspection. For additional information, contact the Permitting Authority at the above address or phone number.

**Petitions:** A person whose substantial interests are affected by the proposed permitting decision may petition for an administrative hearing in accordance with Sections 120.569 and 120.57, F.S. Petitions filed by any persons other than those entitled to written notice under Section 120.60(3), F.S., must be filed within 14 days of publication of the Public Notice or receipt of a written notice, whichever occurs first. Under Section 120.60(3), F.S., however, any person who asked the Permitting Authority for notice of agency action may file a petition within 14 days of receipt of that notice, regardless of the date of publication. A petitioner shall mail a copy of the petition to the applicant at the address indicated above, at the time of filing. A petition for administrative hearing must contain the information set forth below and must be filed (received) with the Agency Clerk in the Office of General Counsel, 3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, MS 35, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000, Agency Clerk @ [dep.state.fl.us](mailto:dep.state.fl.us), before the deadline.

The failure of any person to file a petition within the appropriate time period shall constitute a waiver of that person's right to request an administrative determination (hearing) under Sections 120.569 and 120.57, F.S., or to intervene in this proceeding and participate as a party to it. Any subsequent intervention (in a proceeding initiated by another party) will be only at the approval of the presiding officer upon the filing of a motion in compliance with Rule 28-106.205, F.A.C. A petition that disputes the material facts on which the Permitting Authority's action is based must contain the following information: (a) The name and address of each agency affected and each agency's file or identification number, if known; (b) The name, address, any email address, telephone number and any facsimile number of the petitioner; the name, address, any email address, telephone number, and any facsimile number of the petitioner's representative, if any, which shall be the address for service purposes during the course of the proceeding; and an explanation of how the petitioner's substantial interests will be affected by the agency determination; (c) A statement of when and how each petitioner received notice of the agency action or proposed decision; (d) A statement of all disputed issues of material fact. If there are none, the petition must so indicate; (e) A concise statement of the ultimate facts alleged, including the specific facts the petitioner contends warrant reversal or modification of the agency's proposed action; (f) A statement of the specific rules or statutes the petitioner contends require reversal or modification of the agency's proposed action including an explanation of how the alleged facts relate to the specific rules or statutes; and, (g) A statement of the relief sought by the petitioner, stating precisely the action the petitioner wishes the agency to take with respect to the agency's proposed action. A petition that does not dispute the material facts upon which the Permitting Authority's action is based shall state that no such facts are in dispute and otherwise shall contain the same information as set forth above, as required by Rule 28-106.301, F.A.C.

Because the administrative hearing process is designed to formulate final agency action, the filing of a petition means that the Permitting Authority's final action may be different from the position taken by it in this written notice of Intent to Issue Air Permit. Persons whose substantial interests will be affected by any such final decision of the Permitting Authority on the application have the right to petition to become a party to the proceeding, in accordance with the requirements set forth above. **Extension of Time:** Under Rule 62-110.106(4), F.A.C., a person whose substantial interests are affected by the Department's action may also request an extension of time to file a petition for an administrative hearing. The Department may, for good cause shown, grant the request for an extension of time. Requests for extension of time must be filed with the Office of General Counsel of the Department at 3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, Mail Station 35, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000, or via electronic correspondence at [Agency\\_Clerk@dep.state.fl.us](mailto:Agency_Clerk@dep.state.fl.us), before the deadline for filing a petition for an administrative hearing. A timely request for extension of time shall toll

the running of the time period for filing a petition until the request is acted upon.

**Mediation:** Mediation is not available in this proceeding.  
**EPA Review:** EPA has agreed to treat the draft/proposed Title V air operation permit as a proposed Title V air operation permit and to perform its 45-day review provided by the law and regulations concurrently with the public comment period, provided that the applicant also transmits an electronic copy of the required proof of publication directly to EPA at the following email addresses: [R4TitleVFL@epa.gov](mailto:R4TitleVFL@epa.gov). The final Title V air operation permit will be issued after the conclusion of the 45-day EPA review period so long as no adverse comments are received that result in a different decision or significant change of terms or conditions. The status regarding EPA's 45-day review of this project and the deadline for submitting a citizen petition can be found at the following website address: <http://www2.epa.gov/caa-permitting/florida-proposed-title-v-permits>.

**Objections:** Finally, pursuant to 42 United States Code (U.S.C.) Section 7661d(b)(2), any person may petition the Administrator of the EPA within 60 days of the expiration of the Administrator's 45-day review period as established at 42 U.S.C. Section 7661d(b)(1), to object to the issuance of any Title V air operation permit. Any petition shall be based only on objections to the permit that were raised with reasonable specificity during the 30-day public comment period provided in the Public Notice, unless the petitioner demonstrates to the Administrator of the EPA that it was impracticable to raise such objections within the comment period or unless the grounds for such objection arose after the comment period. Filing of a petition with the Administrator of the EPA does not stay the effective date of any permit properly issued pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 62-213, F.A.C. Petitions filed with the Administrator of EPA must meet the requirements of 42 U.S.C. Section 7661d(b)(2) and must be filed with the Administrator of the EPA at: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of the Administrator, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Mail Code: 1101A, Washington, DC 20460.

For more information regarding EPA review and objections, visit EPA's Region 4 web site at <http://www2.epa.gov/caa-permitting/florida-proposed-title-v-permits>.  
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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE:**  
Notice is hereby given that on 03/08/2022 at 09:00 AM the following vehicles(s) may be sold at public sale at 22396 US HIGHWAY 301 NORTH, LAWTEY, FL. 32058 for the amount owed on each vehicle to satisfy the lien for repairs, services and storage charges and any administrative fees allowed pursuant to Florida Statute 713.585.  
JTFEF15N9TLB85456 1996 FORD 750.00  
The name, address and telephone number and public sale location of the repair shop claiming the lien for unpaid charges is:

Lienor Name: THOMPSON GARAGE  
Lienor Address: 22396 US HWY 301 N, LAWTEY, FL 32058  
Lienor Telephone #: 904-782-3232  
MV License #: MV31302  
Location of Vehicles: 22396 US HWY 301 N, LAWTEY, FL 32058

The customer or person claiming an interest, or a lien may redeem the vehicle by satisfying the amount due in cash on or before the sale date and time. The customer or person claiming an interest in or lien on a vehicle may file a demand for a hearing with the Clerk of Court in the BRADFORD County where the vehicle is held to determine whether the vehicle has been wrongfully taken or withheld from him or her. At any time before the date of sale a customer or person of record claiming a lien on the vehicle may post a cash or surety bond in the amount stated on the invoice with the Clerk of Circuit Court where the disputed transaction occurred.  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR BRADFORD COUNTY, FLORIDA  
GENERAL JURISDICTION  
DIVISION

CASE NO. 20000057CAAXMX  
PHH MORTGAGE CORPORATION, Plaintiff,  
vs.  
KRISTIN N. CULLEN A/K/A KRISTIN KULLEN A/K/A K. CULLEN AND MICHAEL J. WEMPE A/K/A MICHAEL WEMPE, et al.  
Defendant(s).

**NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE**  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated November 19, 2021, and entered in 20000057CAAXMX of the Circuit Court of the EIGHTH Judicial Circuit in and for Bradford County, Florida, wherein PHH MORTGAGE CORPORATION is the Plaintiff and KRISTIN N. CULLEN A/K/A KRISTIN KULLEN A/K/A K. CULLEN; MICHAEL J. WEMPE A/K/A MICHAEL WEMPE; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT are the Defendant(s). Denny Thompson as the Clerk of the Circuit Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the Front Lobby 945 N. Temple Ave., Starke, FL 32091, at 11:00 AM, on March 17, 2022, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

PARCEL A  
OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 39-PAGE 57  
THE SOUTH 80 FEET OF THE NORTH 170 FEET OF THE EAST 440 FEET OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 13, TOWNSHIP 8 SOUTH, RANGE 22 EAST.  
PARCEL B  
OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 34-PAGE 41  
THE NORTH 90 FEET OF THE EAST 440 FEET OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 13, TOWNSHIP 8 SOUTH, RANGE 22 EAST.  
PARCEL C  
A PORTION OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 13, TOWNSHIP 8 SOUTH, RANGE 22 EAST, BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:  
BEGIN THE SOUTHEAST CORNER

OF SAID SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF NORTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 13; THENCE RUN NORTH 89 DEGREES 08 MINUTES 18 SECONDS WEST, ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF NORTHWEST 1/4 A DISTANCE OF 69.85 FEET TO THE POINT BEGINNING; THENCE CONTINUE NORTH 89 DEGREES 08 MINUTES 18 SECONDS WEST, ALONG SAID SOUTH LINE, 357.06 FEET TO THE EAST LINE OF THE WEST 40' OF PARCEL 1 AS DESCRIBED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 746, PAGE 313 OF SAID PUBLIC RECORDS; THENCE RUN NORTH 00 DEGREES 17 MINUTES 44 SECONDS WEST, ALONG SAID EAST LINE, 15.00 FEET; RUN SOUTH 86 DEGREES 44 MINUTES 07 SECONDS EAST, 357.68 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. Property Address: 5587 SE 7TH AVE, KEYSTONE HEIGHTS, FL 32656  
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 in accordance with Florida Statutes, Section 45.031. Dated this 14 day of February, 2022.

Denny Thompson  
As Clerk of the Court  
By: Lisa Brannon  
As Deputy Clerk

**IMPORTANT AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT.** If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in a proceeding, you are entitled to be provided with certain assistance at no cost to you. Please contact the ADA Coordinator, Alachua County Family and Civil Justice Center, 201 East University Avenue, Gainesville, FL 32601 (352) 337-6237 at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days. If you are hearing or voice impaired, call 1-800-955-8770 via Florida Relay Service.  
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Early Notice for Public Review of a Proposal to Support Activity in the 100-Year Floodplain and Wetland  
February 17, 2022  
City of Lawtey  
P.O. Drawer G  
Lawtey, FL 32058  
904-782-3454

To: All Interested Agencies, Groups, and Individuals  
This is to give notice that the City of Lawtey has submitted an application for a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG funds) to the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO). The funding is provided by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) through CDBG Agreement No. IR018. This notice is required by Section 2(a)(4) of Executive Order 11988 for Floodplain Management, and by Section 2(b) of Executive Order 11990 for the Protection of Wetlands, and is implemented by HUD Regulations found at 24 CFR 55.20(b) for the HUD action that is within and/or affects a floodplain or wetland.

Construction will be undertaken in the 100-year floodplain and/or wetlands. The City of Lawtey is interested in alternatives and public perceptions of possible adverse impacts that could result from the project as well as potential mitigation measures. Proposed improvements which include the restoration of existing open ditch drainage which is located within the 100-year floodplain and/or wetlands. The overall project scope as well as the portion of the project located within 100-year floodplain and/or wetlands includes:

The City of Lawtey intends to use funds received from the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity's Disaster Recovery (FDEO-DR) program to provide ditch restoration of Canal 1 (Along Jackson St. from its beginning at the City limits in the northwest), Canal 2 (along CR125 from the intersection of US301 and CR125 heading northeast along CR125 to the City limits), Sub-Canal A (along Monroe St. from the intersection of Monroe Street and Grove Street until its terminus at Canal 1), Sub-Canal B (along the platted portion of Olive Street from the intersection of Grove St and Olive Street northwest towards the intersection of Adams St and Olive Street). Additionally, the City intends to use FDEO-DR funds for drainage improvements to the culvert crossing at Jones Lane and Linwood Avenue as well as the culvert crossing at Olive and Jackson Street.

All facilities are currently in-place and operational. Although the drainage restoration project is not currently designed the anticipated footprint of potentially affected wetlands and/or flood plans could be up to 25 acres. Although the drainage restoration project is not currently designed the anticipated footprint of potentially affected 100 year floodplains could be up to 25 acres.

Written comments must be received by Lisa Harley, City Clerk in person at 2793 Lake Street, Lawtey, FL 32058 or mailed to PO Drawer G, Lawtey, FL 32058 on or before Monday, March 7, 2022. Comments may also be submitted by email at [cityoflawtey@embarqmail.com](mailto:cityoflawtey@embarqmail.com). Additional information may be obtained by contacting: Lisa Harley, City Clerk at 904-782-3504. Jimmy Scott, Mayor of the City of Lawtey as the Environmental Certifying Official  
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**FICTITIOUS NAME**  
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## Union

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 8TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR UNION COUNTY, FLORIDA.  
CASE No. 21000056CAAXMX  
REVERSE MORTGAGE FUNDING LLC, Plaintiff  
vs.

UNKNOWN SPOUSE, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITOR, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHER PARTIES CLAIMING AN INTEREST BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST THE ESTATE OF ROBERT C. BAKER A/K/A ROBERT CHARLES BAKER, DECEASED, et al.,  
Defendants

**NOTICE OF ACTION**  
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has been filed against you, and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to this action, on Greenspoon Marder, LLP, Default Department, Attorneys for Plaintiff, whose address is Trade Centre South, Suite 700, 100 West Cypress Creek Road, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33309, and file the original with the Clerk within 30 days after the first publication of this notice in THE UNION COUNTY TIMES, on or before March 10, 2022; otherwise a default and a judgment may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint. WITNESSED MY HAND AND SEAL OF SAID COURT on this 2nd day of February,

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As Clerk of said Court  
By: Crystal Norman  
As Deputy Clerk  
Prepared by: Greenspoon Marder, LLP  
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**SUMMARY:** To update Board Policies  
**AUTHORITY:** Florida Statutes  
**LAW IMPLEMENTED:**  
**ECONOMIC IMPACT:** None  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR UNION COUNTY, FLORIDA  
PROBATE DIVISION  
File No. 2022-CP-000003  
Division Probate

IN RE: ESTATE OF JOHN EDWARD NICHOLSON  
Deceased.

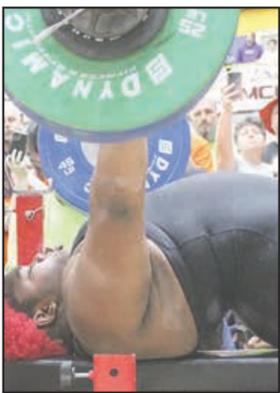
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The administration of the estate of John Edward Nicholson, deceased, whose date of death was October 10, 2021, is pending in the Circuit Court for Union County, Florida. Probate Division the address of which is 55 West Main Street Union County Courthouse, Room 103 Lake Butler, Florida 32054. 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 THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

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

**NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.** The date of first publication of this notice is 17 February, 2022.  
Attorney: R. Nadine David, Esq.,  
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**LEFT:** Mahailya Reeves bench presses 380 pounds, which broke her 2020 state-finals record of 375. She won the unlimited class for the fourth straight year. **CENTER:** Courtney Comer broke her own state-finals record in the bench press by 15 pounds, lifting 260 as she won her second straight championship in the 169-pound class. **RIGHT:** Jessica Traylor bench-pressed 220 pounds and placed second in the unlimited class.

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that, she exclaimed, "Oh, my goodness. I didn't know it has been that long."

For Head Coach Bryan Griffis, it was the second team state championship he was a part of, joining the one won by Union County at the 2018 Class 1A Finals.

"The first one was fun," Griffis

said, "but this was the best. We fought today. It was a tight battle. These girls showed out."

Griffis has said that his team has received tremendous support throughout the season, and that didn't change at state. School administrators, parents and others who just wanted to cheer the girls on were present in numbers that impressed the coach. Griffis didn't know how many people were there, but said, "It was probably more than

any school here. Thank you, Bradford County."

Bradford didn't make much noise for approximately the first six hours of the event due to the fact it had only two competing in the first session, which consisted of the 101, 110, 119, 129 and 139 weight classes. Suwannee had 19 points, while Bradford had three, thanks to Hannah McFarland's fourth-place finish in the 110 class.

McFarland had no worries

about the rest of her team coming through in the second session.

"I'm so excited," she said after the first-session awards ceremony. "I know my teammates are going to pull through. We're going to win this thing."

Pull through, they did. The second session consisted of three wins, two second-place finishes and one third-place finish.

"All the girls who came worked their hearts out," said Jessica Traylor, who placed second behind Reeves in the unlimited class. "I love each and every single one of them."

**Capping a perfect high school career**

Since she began competing as a freshman, Reeves has not lost a competition. She's been downright dominant. In winning her first three state titles (all for Union County High School), she finished at least 90 pounds ahead of her competitor each year.

This year, Reeves finished 155 pounds ahead of Traylor with a 570 total.

"It's unreal. I'm in a daze," Reeves said of winning a fourth championship. "It's all happened because of God."

Reeves bench pressed 380 pounds, which broke her own state-finals record of 375, which she set in 2020. It was a total she had already done on Jan. 29 at the Region 2 finals.

"I cried at regionals when she benched it," Traylor said. "If I'm going to be behind somebody, I'm glad it's somebody who benches (close to) 400 pounds."

Reeves tried to break the record again on her third and final attempt, but was unsuccessful at 395.

She had one successful clean-and-jerk attempt of 190 pounds. She went for 225 on her final attempt, which would've broken the overall-total record of 600 she set in 2020 if she had gotten it.

"I missed a couple of lifts," Reeves said, "but I'm really proud of myself."

**Comer, Jordan add 2 more championships**



**Takeirra Bakken bench-pressed 180 and placed third in the 183-pound class.**

Courtney Comer and Brianna Jordan gave the Tornados two more individual championships, with Comer winning her second straight title in the 169 class with a 450 overall total, which was 100 pounds better than that of runner-up Kahlan Gant of Bay.

When asked how it felt, Comer said, "Amazing, like the first one."

Comer, who lifted for Union County High School as a freshman and a sophomore, has won every competition she's been in but one, which was the 2020 state finals when she was the runner-up.

This junior season saw Comer break her own state-finals bench-press record. She tied the record of 245 she set last season on her first attempt. She then successfully went up 15 pounds for a lift of 260.

Still, she wasn't totally satisfied with how her day went in the event.

"I did all right in the bench," said Comer, who missed 275 on her third attempt. "It was a little bit of an off day for me, but I

pulled through with cleans."

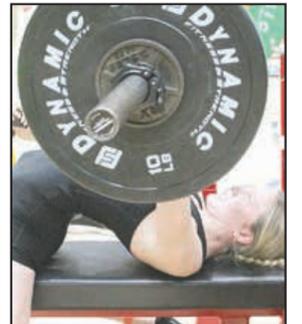
She had three successful clean-and-jerk attempts of 165, 180 and 190.

Comer's 450 overall total broke the state-finals record of 445 set by Lake Mary's Judith Mandujani in 2017.

Her dissatisfaction with her record-setting day in the bench press shows how driven Comer is to be the best she can be in weightlifting. She enjoyed the aftermath of the state tournament, helping Bradford win its first-ever title and successfully defending her own



**LEFT:** Brianna Jordan cleans and jerks 175 pounds in winning the 154-pound class championship. **RIGHT:** Gabby Oliver, with Roger Crews (background, far left) eagerly looking on, cleans and jerks 165 pounds on her way to a runner-up finish in the 199-pound class.



**ABOVE RIGHT:** Mikayla Cooper competes in the bench press in the 119-pound class.



**LEFT:** Hannah McFarland cleans and jerks 140 pounds, which helped her place fourth in the 110-pound class.

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**Wright earns 6th-place medal for KHHS at state**

BY CLIFF SMELLEY  
Telegraph Staff Writer

Kaylee Wright became the first girls weightlifter to earn a state medal for Keystone Heights High School in nine years, placing sixth in the 183-pound class at the Feb. 12 Florida High School Athletic Association Class 1A Finals, which were held at Port St. Joe High School.

Wright finished with a 315-pound overall total. She bench pressed 155 and 165 on her first two attempts before missing a third attempt of 175. Her best clean and jerk was 150 after an opening attempt of 140. Wright unsuccessfully attempted 160 on her third attempt.

Medals are awarded to the top six in each weight class. Wright earned the last medal in her class by placing 10 pounds ahead of Suwannee's Erin Starling.

Madison Atwood of Imagine School at North Point won the 183-pound class championship with a 465 overall total.

This was Wright's second straight year qualifying for state. She improved her bench press by 10 pounds and her clean and jerk by 15 pounds from last season.

Wright's Keystone teammate Grace Wagner earned her first-ever trip, finishing 10th in the 139 class with a 275 total. Wagner was successful on all three of her



**LEFT:** Kaylee Wright bench pressed 165 pounds on her way to placing sixth in the 183-pound class. **RIGHT:** Grace Wagner competes in the bench press in the 139-pound class. Her best lift was 130. Photos by Cliff Smelley.

bench-press attempts (120, 125, 130). She did 140 on her second clean-and-jerk attempt after missing it on her first try and then successfully did 145 on her final attempt.

Branford's Evie Pitts won the 139 class championship with an overall total of 385.

Each class consisted of 20 competitors.



Kaylee Wright became Keystone's first girls weightlifter to medal at state in nine years. She placed sixth in the 183-pound class.

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# Tornadoes defeat Bell, win District 6-1A championship

BY CLIFF SMELLEY  
Telegraph Staff Writer

Bell pulled to within four points late in the game, but Amari Jones and Jontez Williams combined to make six free throws, while Williams also grabbed two defensive rebounds in Bradford High School's 55-49 win in the District 6-1A boys basketball championship game on Feb. 11 in Bell.

Bradford, the tournament's top seed, entered the game off a 23-point win in the semifinals. Head Coach Sampson Jackson said it was good for his team to be in a tough battle in the

championship game, believing it will pay off in the playoffs, where a loss ends the season.

"Coming into a game like this, if you just did what you did the night before (winning by 23 points), then at no point does it become real to you that if you lose, it's over," Jackson said, adding, "It was a good win for us."

It was the first district title for the Tornadoes (12-10) in three years. Bradford will now host a Region 3 semifinal game against Bell (15-12) on Thursday, Feb. 17, at 7 p.m. Bradford is the top seed in the region, while Bell is the fourth seed.

If the Tornadoes win, they'll host the Region 3 championship game on Tuesday, Feb. 22, at 7 p.m. Bradford would play either second-seed Madison County or third-seed Dixie County.

Bradford struggled early in the District 6 championship game. The Tornadoes missed their first four field-goal attempts and then made three in a row before missing their next seven attempts. They took an 8-6 lead into the second quarter.

The Tornadoes scored the first six points of the second quarter. A Robbie Simmons-Godwin assist led to a layup by Jontez Williams. Simmons-Godwin then scored off two offensive rebounds to put Bradford ahead 14-6.

Bell, the tournament's second seed, outscored Bradford 5-1 before the Tornadoes went on a 7-0 run, with Dae'Jon Shanks sinking a three-pointer and Simmons-Godwin and Shayne Davis each making two free throws, putting Bradford up 22-11.

The Bulldogs' Daniel Pittman scored six straight points during a stretch that made the score 22-18. He knocked down a three-pointer and, following a rebound on the defensive end, hit a short jumper on which he was fouled. Pittman made the free throw.

Davis drew a foul while scoring on a baseline drive. He made the free throw to extend Bradford's lead to seven. Simmons-Godwin was later fouled while grabbing a defensive rebound, putting him at the free-throw line for a one-and-one opportunity. He sank his first attempt and then the bonus to make the score 27-18.

Simmons-Godwin went 5 of 6 at the foul line in the second quarter. Along with his two baskets off offensive rebounds, he scored nine points in the quarter.

"That was something we talked about in practice, just him getting in and rebounding and making the plays he was supposed to make," Jackson said.

Davis scored seven points in the second quarter, while Shanks sank a late three-pointer to help send the Tornadoes into halftime leading 32-23.

Bell opened the second half with a 6-2 run to cut Bradford's lead to five. The Tornadoes were able to maintain their lead, thanks to the play of Amari Jones. He scored seven points in the quarter, which included a three-pointer he made following a Chalil Cummings steal.

Simmons-Godwin continued his strong play off the bench, scoring off an offensive rebound and going 2 of 2 at the foul line.

The fourth quarter began with Bradford leading 45-36, but the Bulldogs were able to make it a six-point game when Pittman rebounded a missed free throw and scored.

Jones missed the front-end of a one-and-one opportunity at the foul line with 1:23 to play. Bell scored at the other end to make the score 51-47.

With one minute remaining, Jones was fouled again, but this time, he made two free throws to make it a six-point game.

"That was big for him," Jackson said.

Bell missed its next two field-goal attempts, both of which were rebounded by Williams, who was fouled on each play.



The Tornadoes pose for a picture with the District 6-1A championship trophy: (front, l-r) Jontez Williams, Shayne Davis, Amari Jones, (back, l-r) Assistant Coach Michael McMillian, Assistant Coach Justin McBride, Assistant Coach James McBride (in front of Justin McBride), Hunter Crawford, Bernard Nichols, Head Coach Sampson Jackson, Assistant Coach Tarrin Jackson, Jametrius Pringle, Dae'Jon Shanks, Torin Brazell, Keith Ardley and Chalil Cummings. Photos by Cliff Smelley.



## Starke Kiwanis Club supports BHS boys basketball program

The Kiwanis Club of Starke makes a donation to the Bradford High School boys basketball program every year, thanks to the Lake Area McDonald's-Kiwanis of Starke Christmas Basketball Tournament. President-Elect David Kniseley (far left) presents this year's donation of \$3,000 to BHS Assistant Principal Chris Coffey (center) and BHS Basketball Coach/Athletic Director Sampson Jackson. Photo by Cliff Smelley.

## Baseball and softball teams begin regular-season play next week

BY CLIFF SMELLEY  
Telegraph Staff Writer

Regular-season play for high school baseball and softball teams begins next week.

Bradford's baseball team played West Nassau in a preseason game this past Tuesday and is scheduled to play Fernandina Beach in a preseason game on Thursday, Feb. 17, at Baker County High School. The Tornadoes open the regular season with a road game against Yulee on Monday, Feb. 21, at 6 p.m. before returning home to play Baker County on Tuesday, Feb. 22, at 7 p.m.

Keystone is hosting the Alan Mattox Preseason Baseball Classic. The Indians played Fort White this past Tuesday and will play Palatka on Thursday, Feb. 17, at 7 p.m., following a game between Clay and Fort White at 4 p.m. Keystone opens the regular season at Clay on Tuesday, Feb. 22, at 7 p.m.

Union County's baseball team played a preseason game at Santa Fe this past Tuesday and was scheduled to play a preseason game at Gainesville on Wednesday, Feb. 16. The Tigers open the regular season at home against Dixie County on Tuesday, Feb. 22, at 6 p.m. Union then hosts Baldwin on

Wednesday, Feb. 23, at 7 p.m.

In softball, Bradford is playing in a preseason classic at Wolfson. The Tornadoes played Bolles this past Tuesday. If they won, they'll play either Jackson or Stanton on Thursday, Feb. 17, at 7:30 p.m. If they lost to Bolles, they'll play at 5:30 p.m. on Feb. 17.

Bradford opens the regular season with a home game against Lake Weir on Monday, Feb. 21, at 7 p.m. The Tornadoes then host Old Plank on Tuesday, Feb. 22, at 6:30 p.m.

Keystone is playing in a preseason tournament at Oakleaf. They were originally scheduled to play Oakleaf on Friday, Feb. 18, at 5 p.m. and University Christian on Saturday, Feb. 19, at 11 a.m. Predicted inclement weather may move the Feb. 18 game to Thursday, Feb. 17.

The Indians open the regular season at Baldwin on Tuesday, Feb. 22, at 7 p.m.

Union is hosting a preseason classic. The Tigers played Lafayette this past Tuesday and will play Dixie County on Thursday, Feb. 17, at 7 p.m. On Friday, they play Trenton at 7 p.m.

The Tigers open the regular season at home against Fort White on Tuesday, Feb. 22, at 6:30 p.m.

Williams made one free throw on each trip to the line with 31 seconds and 15 seconds remaining, making the score 55-47.

Jones and Simmons-Godwin each finished with 13 points to lead the Tornadoes, who also got 11 points from Davis, 10 points from Shanks, four points from Williams and two points each from Cummings and Torin Brazell.

Brazell, Simmons-Godwin and Williams each grabbed six rebounds, while Cummings had five. Cummings also shared the team high in steals with Jones with four.

Simmons-Godwin and Williams each recorded three assists.

## BHS defeats Indians 77-54 in semifinals

Cummings knocked down five three-pointers and led all scorers with 21 points as the Tornadoes defeated fifth-seed Fort White 77-54 in the District 6 semifinals on Feb. 9.

Though it was a 23-point win, Jackson admitted his team was capable of playing a much better game, especially when looking at how the first quarter went. The Tornadoes led 25-7, but then committed eight turnovers and were outscored 17-10 in the second quarter.

"We had a lot of unforced turnovers," Jackson said.

The coach also said his team



Amari Jones (second from right) gets fouled on a jumper as Chalil Cummings (second from left) looks on in the Tornadoes' win over Bell.

needed to do better at the foul line. Bradford attempted only 13 free throws, but made just four, including going 0 for 6 in the fourth quarter.

Still, it was the third win in a row for the Tornadoes, who are finally playing with their lineup intact. Various players have missed time this season due to injuries and college football visits.

"We're just trying to get everybody in and let everybody get used to the speed of district

play," Jackson said, "but there's a lot that we can work on." Back-to-back three-pointers by Davis and Cummings were the start of a 15-0 run to close out the first quarter. Williams added a bucket off a baseline drive before Davis came away with a steal and later got the ball back to hit another three-pointer. Williams hit a foul-line jumper following another Fort White turnover and then knocked down a shot before the buzzer to send Bradford into the second quarter leading by 18.

Bernard Nichols and Cummings hit consecutive three-pointers to start the second quarter, but the Tornadoes were outscored 17-4 the rest of the half. The Indians (7-16) trimmed Bradford's lead to nine when Zander Eyjolfsson made two free throws early in the third quarter. Consecutive baskets by Cummings, including his third three-pointer of the game, sparked a brief 7-0 run as the Tornadoes held a double-digit lead the rest of the way.

Williams and Davis finished with 16 and 13 points, respectively. Bradford also got six points each from Jones and Shanks, four points from Brazell, three points from Nichols and two points each from Simmons-Godwin, Hunter Crawford, Sincere Hankerson and Jametrius Pringle.

Davis had six assists and four steals, while Williams had five assists and five rebounds. Simmons-Godwin also had five rebounds.



Chalil Cummings (left) prepares to shoot over Fort White's Jayden Jackson in the Tornadoes' 77-54 win in the District 6-1A semifinals.

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## UCHS boys lose in District 6-1A quarters

BY CLIFF SMELLEY  
Telegraph Staff Writer

Union County High School entered the District 6-1A boys basketball tournament on a roll, but the Tigers couldn't make it seven wins in a row, losing 56-49 to Fort White in a quarterfinal game on Feb. 8 at Bell High School.

The Tigers, who were seeded fourth, ended their season with an 11-12 record.

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# Obituaries

## Linda Chambers

Linda Chambers, 63, died Feb. 2, 2022, at Riverwood Health and Rehabilitation in Starke. She was born June 21, 1958, in Georgia to the late Leon Jr. and Frances Blanchard Cox. She was preceded in death by her parents; her sister, Donna Stewart; and her brother, Donny Cox.

She is survived by her children, Josh Chambers and Shannon (Austin) Morin of Lake Butler; her grandchildren, Ashlynn and Victoria; and numerous extended family.

A celebration of life was held Wednesday, Feb. 15, at First Baptist Church of Lake Butler.

Arrangements are under the care and direction of Archer-Milton Funeral Home. 386-496-2008 www.ArcherFuneralHome.com



## Margaret Crawford

LAKE BUTLER Margaret Harrell Crawford, 91, of Lake Butler, went to be with the Lord on Jan. 27, 2022. She passed away peacefully at home surrounded by her girls following a brief illness. She was born on Dec. 31, 1930, in Hazellhurst, Georgia. She was a homemaker, a loving mother, and grandmother. She was a faithful member of Harmony Free Will Baptist Church and active in the ladies auxiliary. She was preceded in death by her husband of 41 years, Kenneth Crawford; and her granddaughter, Daci Griffin Nail.

She is survived by her two daughters, Marcia (David) Griffin of Baxley, Georgia, and Margie (Doug) Coburn of Lake Butler. She was 'Nanny' to her grandchildren, K.C. (Jessi), Mary Beth, Hannah (Chris), Kent; and great-grandchildren, Graci, Krissi, Lexi, Rylee, Kenlee, Carter, Kane, Kloe, Case, and Charlee.

Funeral services were held on Sunday, Jan. 30 at her church, Harmony Free Will Baptist Church. She was laid to rest at Fort Call Cemetery in Worthington Springs. Rev. Larry Clyatt, Rev. Paul Davis, and Rev. Bob Brown officiated her services.

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PAID OBITUARY

## Sally De Valerio

KEYSTONE HEIGHTS Sally Greene De Valerio, 93, of Keystone Heights passed away on Friday, Jan. 28, 2022. She was born and adopted in Detroit, Michigan. Growing up in Detroit and New London, Connecticut; she moved to Fort Lauderdale in 1943, Ocala in 1994 and Keystone Heights in 2013. She married in 1949. She worked as a bookkeeper and volunteered at the Insight for the Blind and Talking Books in Ft. Lauderdale, and at the Marion County Public Library in Ocala. She was a member of the Park of the Palms Church in Keystone Heights. She was preceded in death by her parents, James W. and Esther T. Taylor; brother, James P. Taylor; and her husband of 54 years, Joseph F. De Valerio.

She is survived by sons, Michael J. De Valerio of Huntersville, North Carolina, James T. De Valerio of Starke, Peter T. De Valerio of Charleston, South Carolina; daughter Sally E. Laurienzo of Tallahassee; three grandchildren, Justin (Kate) De Valerio of Jacksonville, Kristin (Jeff) De Valerio/Suhey of Houston, Texas, and Kyle (Candice) De Valerio of Sanford, North Carolina; and six great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held at 10 a.m., March 19, at Willey Manor, Park of the Palms, 231 Maranatha Road, Keystone Heights, FL 32656. There will be an interment at the Florida National Cemetery in Jacksonville on March 21 at 12:30 p.m. In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to Wounded Warrior Project or charity of choice.

Arrangements under the care of National Cremation Society, 320 Heald Way, Suite 320, The Villages, 32163.



PAID OBITUARY

## Teresa Hobbs

Teresa Lynn Hobbs, 61, of Lizella, Georgia (formerly of Starke), passed away Monday, Feb. 7, 2022. She was born on Oct. 1, 1960 to the late Johnny Ray Hobbs Sr. and Julie "Dena" (Frohock) Hobbs. Prior to retirement she worked as an administrator for the State of Florida, Department of Law Enforcement. She attended Ingleside Baptist Church in Macon, Georgia. She enjoyed spending time with her niece and nephews, and going to the beach. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her brother and sister-in-law, Johnny R. Hobbs Jr. and Kathy Hobbs.

Survivors are her sister, Sharon (Jeffrey) Norman of Lizella, Georgia; her niece and nephews, Brooke (Colton) Frazee, Jeff (Kamila) Norman and Sage, Will (Brittany) Hobbs, Peyton and Liam, and Christopher (Sierra) Hobbs and Kairi.

Graveside funeral services were held at Crosby Lake Cemetery on Friday, Feb. 11 with Pastor Rick Norman officiating.

Arrangements are by Jones-Gallagher Funeral Home of Starke, 904-964-6200 www.jonesgallagherfh.com



PAID OBITUARY

## Wendy Hunter

STARKE Wendy Marie Hunter, 37, of Starke, passed away on Feb. 2, 2022 at North Florida Regional Medical Center in Gainesville. She was born in Alexandria, Louisiana on July 18, 1984.

Wendy lived for her children. She loved her family and friends. She also enjoyed helping people, music, and the outdoors.

She is survived by her children, Triston, Zachary, and Kaitlyn; her siblings, Lee, Shannon and husband Michael, Shawn and wife MeMe, and A.J.; and her parents, Al and Melanie. She also leaves behind 10 nieces and nephews, and a grand-nephew.

A Celebration of Life will be held on Saturday, Feb. 19, at 455 W. Pratt St., Starke, from 1 p.m. until 5 p.m., including a memorial service at 2 p.m.

Arrangements under the care of Just Cremation, 810 W. 44th St., Jacksonville. 904-683-9511.



PAID OBITUARY

## Deane Martin

Deane W Martin, 79, passed away peacefully to join his savior on Feb. 8, 2022. He was born Aug. 11, 1942 in Brooklyn, New York to the late Deane Y. Martin and Marjorie Martin. The family moved to Gainesville in the late 1950s and he graduated from Gainesville High School in 1960. Following graduation, he enlisted in the Navy from 1961-1964 as a submariner engine man. He retired from the City of Gainesville after 26 years (1965-1991) of firefighting service. He later worked for Syncor-Cardinal Health delivering nuclear medicines to area hospitals. He was a spit-fire of fun and laughter. He had a love of all things food, calendars, weather, and thermostats. He enjoyed painting and woodworking; and could often be found in his workshop "piddling" around. He and his late wife, Karolyn, loved camping and they traveled throughout the Southeast. He also had a very active social life including, AMVETS, American Legion, Wednesday coffee buddies, senior center, and volunteering at his church. In his relaxing time, he enjoyed reading, SyFy movies, and eating macaroni and cheese! He volunteered at the Keystone United Methodist thrift store, and Keystone and Melrose Senior Center. He was preceded in death by his loving wife and best friend, Karolyn, in 2020. They would have celebrated their 35th wedding anniversary on Feb. 14.

He is survived by his children Darrin Martin of Gainesville/Ocala, Heather (Scott) Morse of Huntsville, Alabama, Sandy (Dave) Patterson of Keystone Heights, Debbie (Art) Johnson of Keystone Heights; and brother, Bryant (Helen) Martin of Gainesville. He has eight grandchildren, Zim Padgett, Andrew Padgett-Cross, Katie Southard, Matthew Padgett, Shane Lancaster, Madalyn Morse, Keegan Morse, Tristan Morse; and four great-grandchildren. Brooke, Kaydance, Adelyn, and Luke.

A memorial service will be held at the Keystone United Methodist Church, 4004 State Road 21, Keystone Heights on Saturday, Feb. 26, at 11 a.m. In lieu of flowers please make a memorial contribution to AMVETS Post 86, Keystone Heights, FL; American Cancer Society or Keystone United Methodist Church.

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



PAID OBITUARY

## Claude Morgan

Claude Nathaniel Morgan passed away on Feb. 7, 2022, at Haven Hospice in Orange Park. He was born July 20, 1934, to Nathaniel and Effie Howard Morgan in Fairbanks. He lived in Fairbanks until he moved to Lake Butler with his nephew Ernest Stewart. He was a farmer most of his life, but his passion was music. He played guitar and several other stringed instruments. He was preceded in death by his wife, Agnes Eileen Morgan; his five brothers, and four sisters.

He is survived by his two stepchildren, Billy and Barbara Ford; numerous nieces and nephews.

A graveside service was held at on Thursday, Feb. 10, at Fairbanks Cemetery in Fairbanks.

Arrangements were under the care and direction of Archer-Milton Funeral Home, Lake Butler. 386-496-2008.



PAID OBITUARY

## Carl Sievers

KEYSTONE HEIGHTS Carl E. Sievers Jr., 74, of Keystone Heights passed away Sunday, Feb. 13, 2022, in Gainesville. He was born May 14, 1947, in Jacksonville to the late Carl E. and Dolores (Biddle) Sievers Sr. He retired as SMSGT (E-8) from the United States Air Force following 38-plus years of dedicated service. He was a longtime member of Trinity Baptist Church, the Melrose Masonic Lodge, and the Keystone Heights Shrine Club. He enjoyed camping, fishing, golfing, and all Gator sports; but most of all, he loved being with his family.

He is survived by his loving and dedicated wife of 55 years, Dorothy (Mizell) Sievers of Keystone Heights; their two children, Kevin (Barbara) Sievers of Live Oak and Cindy (Don) Roberts of Hampton; along with a sister, Debbie Sievers of Jacksonville. He was also lovingly called "Papa" by Ashley, Bailey, Regan, Cayleigh, Lilly, Dalton and Chase. Also left behind are five great-grandchildren and one on the way.

The family received friends at the funeral home Wednesday, Feb. 16 with Masonic Rites at 7 p.m. Graveside services will be held at 9 a.m., Thursday, Feb. 17, at Jacksonville National Cemetery with Pastor Scott Stanland officiating. Please omit flowers and make a memorial donation to: Children's Shriner's Hospital, Corporate Headquarters, 2900 N. Rocky Point Drive, Tampa, FL 33607.

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



PAID OBITUARY

## Mary Torrent

STARKE Mary Poole Torrent, 94, of Starke, formerly of St. Augustine, passed away at her home Saturday, Feb. 5, 2022. She was born Oct. 18, 1927, in Montgomery, Alabama. Prior to retirement, she was a secretary at the General Motors home office. She was a longtime and faithful member of Anastasia Baptist Church, where she enjoyed singing in the choir. She also loved her Sunday school class, which was known for volunteering in community charity programs. She was preceded in death by her mother Jewel (Ray) Poole; her husband of 73 years, Donald Jackson Torrent; and a sister, Ruth Carnley.

She is survived by her daughter Donna (Gary W.) Teate of Starke; grandchildren, Christian Kornegay, and Michelle (Robert) Walker; great-grandchildren, Zachary Kornegay, Taylor Kornegay, Sophie Kornegay, Benjamin Kornegay, Amber Walker, and Austin Walker. Also left behind are her niece, Linda Carter; and nephew, Michael Carnley.

Graveside services were held Wednesday, Feb. 16, with Pastor Walter West and Pastor Ron Moore officiating. Interment was at Jacksonville Memory Gardens.

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



PAID OBITUARY

## Kiwanis Club accepting applications for Denmark Memorial Scholarship

Applications are now being accepted until March 15 for the Kiwanis Club of Starke Steve Denmark Memorial Scholarships.

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Funds can be used in the summer or fall semesters of 2021 at any regional accredited college or Starke's North Florida Technical College. The minimum requirement for enrollment is six credit hours.

Applications are available at Bradford High School and the Santa Fe College Andrews

Center. They should be mailed to: Kiwanis Club of Starke, Steve Denmark Memorial Scholarship, PO Box 125, Starke, FL 32091.

Denmark was a lifelong resident of Starke and Kingsley Lake. He graduated from Bradford High School and received a business degree from the University of Georgia. After college, Denmark returned to Starke and took over the family business — Denmark Furniture.

He was a charter member and past president of the Kiwanis Club of Starke and had a great love for the community, giving of himself through service and donations to support many organizations, businesses and schools.

Denmark, who passed away April 28, 2019, at the age of 71.

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# Indians' season ends in regionals against Bishop Kenny

BY CLIFF SMELLEY  
Telegraph Staff Writer

Keystone Heights High School was held to 23 points by host Bishop Kenny, which made 17 three-pointers and defeated the Indians 81-23 in a Region 1-4A girls basketball quarterfinal game on Feb. 10.

It's not the way any team wants to end its season, but Keystone

Head Coach Jessica Carter said at least her team was in the playoffs and had the chance to play against a Crusaders team that was the state runner-up in 2019 and 2020 and a state semifinalist last season.

Bishop Kenny, which improved to 23-4, is ranked third in the state and entered the game with an average margin of

Victory of 28 points. "Our girls knew it was going to be really tough. They're a tough team," Carter said. "We did what we could. We got to play one more game. My seniors got to play one more game."

Kiley Channell drove to the basket for an early score in the first quarter that left the Indians (19-6) trailing by three, but Bishop Kenny responded with a 10-1 run. That included two three-pointers by the Crusaders' Maddie Millar.

Bishop Kenny later put together a 9-0 run before Keystone scored the final four points of the first quarter. Channell knocked down a short jumper, while Dezaray Bright, following a steal by Channell, made two free throws.

Still, the Indians entered the second quarter trailing 24-9.

Bishop Kenny scored eight of the first 10 points of the second quarter, with Alex Lucey and Sophia Ruepell each making a three-pointer.

Lucey and Ruepell each added another three-pointer late in the quarter as the Crusaders built a 49-16 lead.

Keystone failed to score a point in the third quarter, turning the ball over four times and

going 0 for 5 from the field. The lone highlight was Channell blocking a shot as the Crusaders attempted to score on a fast-break opportunity.

Bishop Kenny made six field goals in the third quarter — all but one coming from beyond the arc. Three of those long-range shots came from Ruepell, who finished the game with six three-pointers. Lucey and Millar finished with three three-pointers each.

"They've got three shooting machines," Carter said.

Channell led Keystone with 10 points, while Bright had nine. Madi Mitzel and Rachel Roth each added two points.

It wasn't a good night for the Indians, but they played hard until the end, which Carter said characterized this year's team. She said the players treated each other as family and never bickered with each other when things were going bad.

"This season is the best season we've had in a long time," Carter said. "Not just because we were 19-6. It's not even because of that. My girls don't fight each other. Even when we're down, even when we know there's no coming back, they still don't go against each other."



Lindsay Qualls (center) looks to dribble past Bishop Kenny's Maddie Millar (far left) and Sophia Ruepell.

Carter praised the support her team received this year. On the day of the Bishop Kenny game, she received numerous Facebook and text messages from people wishing the team good luck and asking Carter to tell her players, "Good job."

As if that wasn't enough, Carter could also look in the stands at Bishop Kenny and see what support the Indians had.

"We had as many fans as they did, and we're playing in their house," Carter said. "That tells you something about Keystone."



Kiley Channell (left) dribbles past Bishop Kenny's Sophia Ruepell in the Indians' 81-23 loss in the Region 1-4A quarterfinals. Photos by Cliff Smelley

# KHHS girls wrestlers advance to Region 1-1A finals

BY CLIFF SMELLEY  
Telegraph Staff Writer

Keystone Heights High School's Saige Dennis and Stamatia Papainannou earned Region 1-1A berths after their

performances at the District 3 girls wrestling finals on Feb. 9 at Matanzas High School.

The top four in each weight class earned the right to advance to regional competition, which

will be held at North Bay Haven Charter Academy at Panama City.

Dennis placed third in the 145-pound class, which, including her, consisted of five

participants. She was pinned in 20 seconds by Ponte Vedra's Mira Schmidt in her first match, but then recorded two straight pins, defeating Clay's Jaysia Garcia in 1:41 and Matanzas'

Samayra Cabrera in 1:35.

Papainannou was one of five participants in the 140 class. She began her day by getting pinned in 49 seconds by Ponte Vedra's Olivia Richie. Papainannou

bounced back, pinning Clay's Alexis Buck in 3:52 to reach the third-place match. She placed fourth after getting pinned in 2:47 by Matanzas' Saiomy Cabrera.

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**TOP: Jessica Traylor (left) and Mahailya Reeves celebrate on the medal platform. Reeves won the unlimited class, while Traylor was the class' runner-up. ABOVE LEFT: Courtney Comer, the 169-pound champ. ABOVE RIGHT: Brianna Jordan, the 154-pound champ.**

## BHS

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championship, but she also had an eye toward next season. After the awards ceremony, Comer didn't sound like anyone who was taking any time off.

"Work starts tonight as soon as I get back," she said.

Jordan was the state runner-up in the 154 class last season. This season, she won the class with a 400 total, which put her 35 pounds ahead of Suwannee's Tyra Kalandyk.

"Honestly, just like last year, I'm in shock," Jordan said. "It feels amazing. I worked so hard this past year."

Jordan's best bench press was 225 — a 65-pound improvement from last year's state finals. Her clean and jerk of 175 represented a 20-pound improvement.

"Having Coach Bryan and getting closer to the Lord — those have been the two things that have helped me the most this season," Jordan said. "And my

amazing teammates. We've all grown so much as a team."

Jordan didn't lose a competition this year and is striving to make her mark on the state-finals record books, just like Comer and Reeves.

"I'm trying to be just like them, if not better," Jordan said.

Reeves said she has no doubts about Jordan setting state records next season.

"For sure. I know she can," Reeves said. "She's so strong."

### Oliver, Traylor take 2nd in their classes

No one was going to come close to beating Reeves in the unlimited class, but if Reeves hadn't been a participant, the Tornadoes still would've won that class by a comfortable margin. Traylor's overall total of 415 put her 30 pounds ahead of Marianna's Kelis Garrett and South Sumter's Mary Wilhelm, who placed third and fourth, respectively.

Traylor's bench press of

220 represented a 40-pound improvement from last year's state finals, when she placed fifth. She also improved by 15 pounds in the clean and jerk, with a best total of 195.

It amounted to a performance that, given Reeves' dominance, felt like a win.

"I worked so hard," Traylor said. "Just to be able to place behind Mahailya — in my heart, I got first."

She was confident. Griffis said Traylor told him she was going to be successful on all six of attempts. She was going up 10 pounds on each of her second and third clean-and-jerk attempts and going from 200 to 215 on her first and second bench-press attempts.

"I know when it's my time to lift, it's my time," Traylor said. "I prayed to God before I went on the platform each and every single time that I'd get my lift, and I got it."

Oliver came so close to winning the 199-pound class, finishing just 5 pounds behind champion Katerin Zacarias of Bay. She had a bench press of 190 and a clean and jerk of 165 for a 355 overall total, which was 30 pounds better than what she did during her fourth-place finish at last year's state finals.

In the clean and jerk, Oliver had successful attempts of 140 and 155 before getting her final attempt of 165. That put her in first place before Zacarias' final clean-and-jerk attempt. Zacarias, who missed her second attempt at 165, successfully went for 170 on her third attempt to pass Oliver.

"I wish I would've gotten all my lifts," said Oliver, who missed two attempts at 200 in the bench press, "but it's not too bad to come 5 pounds behind the first-place winner. I'm glad I made it to state this year and came this far."

### Bakken comes close to a runner-up finish

Bakken almost took second in the 183-pound class for the second straight year, but she settled for third with an overall total of 380, which was

5 pounds behind runner-up Marleah Dampier of Fernandina Beach. She had a best bench-press attempt of 180 before unsuccessfully going for 190 on her final attempt.

In the clean and jerk, Bakken jumped from 180 to 200 on her first and second attempts before an unsuccessful attempt of 205 on her final lift.

Madison Atwood of Imagine School North Port won the championship with a 465 total. She broke the state-finals record in the clean and jerk for her class with her first attempt of 235 and then broke the record again on her third attempt, which was 250.

"I expected to push myself really hard and win first," Bakken said, adding that in the end, she just wanted to do her best and improve from last year.

She did just that. Her bench press of 180 was a 20-pound improvement from last year's state finals, while her clean and jerk of 200 was a 30-pound improvement.

Griffis is expecting big things from Bakken in the future.

"We're going to win it next year," he said. "She's promised me she's going to work all summer. We're going to set some records next year."

Bakken said, "I'm going to work my butt off. I'm going to work really hard."

### McFarland, Cooper

### lift in 1st session

The first session consisted of just two Bradford lifters, but McFarland helped set the tone for the day with her fourth-place finish. She had a 115 bench press and a 140 clean and jerk for a 255 total.

Based on regional totals, McFarland entered the state meet seeded sixth in the 110 class.

"It's amazing," McFarland said. "I'm just giving all the glory to God."

It was a rough start for McFarland, who had two bench-press attempts disqualified as judges ruled her rear end came up off the bench. Lifters' rear ends and heads must be in contact with the bench throughout their attempts. One of the disqualified lifts was a 125 total, which would've ultimately resulted in McFarland placing third if it had counted.

Still, she had to put it behind her. She still had work to do. Griffis said he told McFarland, "We can't worry about the past. It's all over. We've got to worry about what we do in our best lift, which is clean and jerk."

McFarland said she knew her team was counting on her to place and earn points.

"My mindset was, 'I'm not just doing it for me. I'm doing it for God and my team,'" she said.

McFarland did 125 on her first clean-and-jerk attempt. Griffis then told her if she wanted to

finish ahead of Suwannee's Cheyenne Morgan, she needed to do 140. He said her response was, "Put 140 on the bar."

"It was what needed to be done," McFarland said.

She did it successfully before then almost getting 150 on her final attempt.

Her 255 overall total put her 5 pounds ahead of Morgan.

It was a great showing for someone who rehabbed from a shoulder injury that prevented her from competing in last year's postseason.

"She gave it her all," Griffis said. "I'm proud of her."

Mikayla Cooper also competed for Bradford, making her second straight appearance at state. The 119-class competitor had a tough go of it. After bench pressing 110, she failed to clean and jerk 125 three times, finishing with no official total.

If you make it to state, though, you've proved you're one of the best lifters in Florida, a fact that wasn't lost on Comer, who said, "I'm still proud of Coop."

Of the state competitors, Cooper, McFarland, Reeves and Traylor are the only seniors, so a feeling of optimism exists regarding the 2022-23 season.

"Next year, Bradford is going to come through and win state again," Comer said, while Bakken said, "I have 110-percent faith in all of us girls winning again."



**LEFT: Gabby Oliver, the 199-pound runner-up. CENTER: Takeirra Bakken, the 183-pound third-place finisher. RIGHT: Hannah McFarland, the 110-pound fourth-place finisher.**

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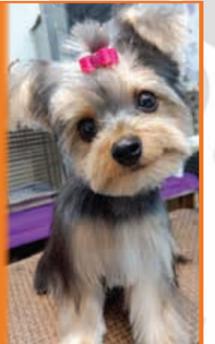
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