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Police: Mom hired hit man to get son released

BY DAN HILDEBRAN
Monitor Editor

STARKE— Starke police arrested one man awaiting trial on murder conspiracy charges, in addition to his mother and sister for allegedly hiring a hit man to kill a witness in the son's upcoming murder trial.

Demetrius Dewayne Wilson, Valerie Vanessa McCutchen and N'Crisha T. McCutchen were all arrested on March 10 for conspiracy to commit murder.

According to court papers, police were first alerted to the plot after a drive-by shooting victim in Alachua County told deputies there that she believed someone shot into her home because she was a witness to a plan to kill another man: Blake Williams.

Man gunned down on Old Lawtey Road

On July 10, 2020, Starke police responded to the shooting of 19-year-old Blake Reed Williams.

While investigating the killing near the Church of God by Faith, police Lt. Michael Rooney wrote in a report



Demetrius Wilson

that the crowd was shouting that the murder was committed by Marcus Whitfield. Williams's family members later told the lawman that Wilson paid Whitfield to kill Williams because Wilson believed the victim had stolen a large amount of cash from Wilson.

Last month a jury found Whitfield guilty of the killing, based in part on the testimony of Tremika Presley of Alachua. Rooney wrote in a report that he met with Presley in the parking lot of the Alachua Publix a few days after the shooting, where she told him she was present when Wilson offered



Valerie McCutchen

Whitfield \$10,000 to kill Williams. Presley also told Rooney that one week after the killing she saw Wilson and Whitfield together at a block party in Alachua. The following day someone fired shots into Presley's home. She told Rooney she believed Wilson and Whitfield fired the rounds, due to her having knowledge of the pair's conspiracy to kill Williams.

Witness disappears

Police later arrested both men, and Wilson admitted to Rooney that



N'Crisha McCutchen

he believed Williams broke into a Thomas Street house in Starke and stole a large amount of cash that belonged to Wilson. Wilson, however, denied any involvement with the killing of Williams.

As the trials of both men approached in February of 2022, prosecutors had a hard time locating Presley, and asked a judge to issue a material witness warrant for her arrest.

The witness was eventually located and testified at Whitfield's trial.

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Upcoming food distribution

A communitywide food distribution hosted by Feeding Northeast Florida and True Vine Ministry will take place Tuesday March 22, at 10 a.m. at True Vine Outreach Ministries in Starke.

Food boxes often include fresh produce, deli and bakery items, dairy and some meats. The inventory is subject to change based on availability. Tell a friend or a neighbor. The distribution is free and open to the public. This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

Former Bradford coach pleads to sex charges

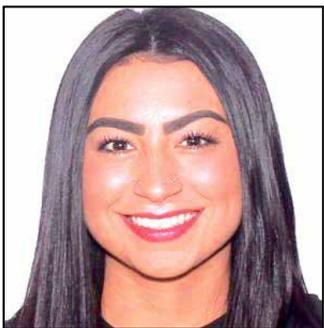
BY DAN HILDEBRAN
Monitor Editor

STARKE — A former Bradford High School girls' weightlifting coach was sentenced to five years' sexual offender probation and will be designated as a sexual offender on the state's sexual offender and predator database after pleading to charges of sexual misconduct with a student.

Autumn Brooke Rodgers pleaded no contest to the Aug. 1, 2020, offenses of lewd and lascivious battery on a child under 16 years of age and to an authority figure soliciting or engaging in a romantic relationship with a student. A third charge of transmitting harmful material to a minor was dropped.

According to court papers, Bradford Detective Kimberly Mosely found sexually explicit photos of the defendant on Rogers' cell phone.

"The pictures were sent to (the victim) via Snapchat," wrote Mosely. "When asked about the photos, Rodgers admitted sending them to



Autumn Brooke Rodgers

(the victim)."

According to Mosely, Rodgers then admitted to having a sexual relationship with the victim beginning when the student was 15-years old.

Another former BHS coach accused of sexual misconduct with a student: Lainie Kay Rodgers is scheduled to appear at a pre-trial conference on March 30.

Manager remaining for now

BY DAN HILDEBRAN
Monitor Editor

KEYSTONE HEIGHTS— City Manager Lynn Rutkowski said she would remain in her job for at least 30 days while she reconsiders the verbal resignation she made during an earlier council meeting.

Rutkowski updated her status during the city council's March 7 meeting.

During Monday night's session, the mayor and council members took a more conciliatory tone than that of the Feb. 7 meeting, where Vice Mayor Steve Hart and Council Member Tony Brown asked Mayor Karen Lake to resign over what they said were harassing emails from Lake to Rutkowski about city matters.

During Monday night's meeting, Lake apologized for allowing the Feb. 7 session to devolve into personal issues and drama.

"I wish as mayor that I had kept us better focused on the issues that really matter to our citizens," she said. "Regardless of our disagreements and policy differences, we all love the City of Keystone and want to do everything we can to keep it a great place to live."

Lake added that she hoped personal attacks made during council meetings would cease.

Hart thanked Lake for her comments and indicated that he considers the acrimony expressed during the February meeting as closed. He further indicated that council members, the mayor and the city manager can patch things up.

"All families have disagreements," he said. "I think we have now aired the issues. I don't think we need to air the specific issues any further. We know they are there, but I think that that any situation can be rehabilitated for the good of the city."

Both Hart, Tony Brown and outgoing council member Marion Kelly said they thought Rutkowski should stay on.

Lake did not comment on the current or future status of the city manager and Council Member Bobby Brown was noncommittal on the issue.

"It's a tough one," he said to Rutkowski. "You're doing great work, but you've got to have guidelines, rules, qualifications that have to be

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Scholarship for health students

The Shirley Ann Brown Livingstone Scholarship is available for the 2022-2023 school year. Students must apply by April 30, 2022, to be considered for this coming fall and spring semesters.

This scholarship is for students going into any field of study related to medicine, including nursing, med research, cancer research or any other health-care-related field of study. The scholarship is provided in memory of the late Shirley Ann Brown Livingstone, a registered nurse who died from breast cancer.

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Detour announced due to overpass construction

BY MARK J. CRAWFORD
Telegraph Editor

STARKE — Currently scheduled to begin the night of Thursday, March 24, all eastbound traffic on State Road 100 east of U.S. 301 will be detoured because of railroad overpass construction.

Traffic headed east will need to go south on U.S. 301 to Southeast 144th Street (Hazen Street, between IHOP and VyStar Credit Union.) There traffic will go east to S.R. 100 where it can turn left toward Starke or right toward Keystone Heights.

The same detour will apply to large trucks on S.R. 100 that need to access the State Road 230 truck route.

This will not be a short-term detour for some. Regular-sized vehicles headed eastbound toward Keystone will be able to return to their normal route following the March 24 traffic switch, but oversized loads and large vehicles will continue using the detour through early spring 2023.

When the overpass is completed at the end of the second construction phase, all eastbound traffic on S.R. 100 will be shifted onto the overpass.

Westbound traffic on S.R. 100 is not expected to be impacted on the night of March 24 with the exception of some sudden stops and delays.

West Fraser supports struggling families in Union

The employees of West Fraser Timber Company have, once again, demonstrated the kind of compassion for members of the community who may be struggling financially during the current pandemic. These generous and “civic-minded” employees have donated \$10,000 to the Union County Schools Foundation to support the needs of struggling families.

Josh Crawford, the General Manager of West Fraser, contacted the foundation to share that he and his employees wanted, for the second time, to work with the foundation to provide food, clothing and any other academic needs to families and children during these challenging financial times.

The local foundation was happy to work in collaboration with the school district staff to identify children and families who had the greatest need for these resources. The foundation thanked Mike Spires, owner of Spires IGA, and his staff for their cooperation and support in allowing families to shop utilizing vouchers for food provided by West Fraser.

The foundation also thanked school counselors and administrators for dispersing



Pictured are (front, l-r) Carly Loznicka, Tamara Richards, West Fraser GM Josh Crawford, Anna Veon, Education Foundation President Linda Johns, Vice President Debi Dukes, (back) Superintendent Mike Ripplinger, Rusty Steel, Mark Duncan, Matt Williams and Tony Ingram.

funds to support students who need specific clothing items, backpacks, school supplies, or any academic or educational support. These resources will be instrumental to the success of

many struggling students. “The generosity and compassion of the employees of West Fraser are certainly qualities that make our small county a great place for our children to

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met. I’m still doing a lot of thinking on this, but I don’t know what to say.”

“You’ve been a lady of grace up here in this chair,” Lake told Kelly. “I didn’t want this evening to pass without saying thank you. You’ve been a meaningful member of this council. We’re really proud of the work you’ve done here.”

Mayor praises outgoing council member

Lake expressed gratitude to outgoing council member Marion Kelly who did not seek an additional term on the council and was attending her final meeting as a city official.

Yard sale at St. Edward

St. Edward Catholic Church in Starke will have a yard sale Friday and Saturday, March 25 and 26, in the church Family Center.

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Impact fees on new development could help pay for growth

BY MARK J. CRAWFORD
Telegraph Editor

STARKE — The need for revenue to fund county services has reignited some discussion of impact fees.

Impact fees are charged to new development to pay for the costs of the impact of that development on infrastructure and services. The revenue can help offset impact to roads, schools, public safety, parks, libraries, water, wastewater, etc.

Restrictions on the use of impact fees make them different than general taxation. Their use to pay for new facilities must be linked to the impact of development, and the individual charged must benefit from their investment in those facilities.

Bradford County commissioners approved impact fees in the mid-2000s, keeping the fees low so as not to discourage

new development, particularly housing. With a downturn in the economy, a moratorium was imposed and never lifted.

When imposing an impact fee, the commission can't simply pick a number out of a hat. Impact fees must be fairly allocated among those paying, which requires an intricate and costly study. The type of development and the projected impact on the infrastructure categories determines the amount paid. A single-family home would not cost as much as a multifamily development, for example. A small retail store would not pay as much as a new grocery store.

Depending on the cost of development and impact on the categories selected by a city or county, impact fees can vary widely. For example, a single-family home is charged \$1,397 in Marion County, \$1,513 in Levy

County, \$4,714 in Hernando County, \$12,933 in Lake County and \$16,293 in Hillsborough County, according to a 2021 Citrus County Chronicle article.

The topic of impact fees was raised March 7 during public comments by Tom Germano, a candidate for county commission in District 4. Agreeing with commissioners that public safety and roads are priority areas, Germano said the fees could be used to fund new infrastructure.

"I think there's probably been at least 50 new homes built in just the southern part of the county in the last year or so, and we have a new major subdivision coming in that is going to have 32 homes along Southeast Eighth Street. The newest construction and associated residents have the largest impact on our infrastructure," he said.

"Many counties like Clay

and St. Johns have impact fees and continue to see tremendous growth. I think our growth will continue, particularly in the southern part of the county," Germano said, volunteering to be on a task force that could examine the issue on the commission's behalf.

Commission Chairman Chris Dougherty continued the discussion later in the meeting. Dougherty said he has spent many hours talking to members of various associations and governments about how to drive economic development in Bradford County so that taxes can be lowered overall, and everyone can enjoy the fruits of what comes next.

"Progress is going to run us over if we don't do something and act accordingly for smart growth and development in this county," he said.

An impact fee paid on a single house cannot help, but fees paid on 32 new houses could begin making a difference, he said, but not if the commission simply removes the moratorium on a \$500 fee on new housing. The fee was kept low to encourage development here versus other counties, but \$500 per home realistically won't go very far.

A new study would be required to truly, and lawfully, assess the impact on development on roads, fire protection, law enforcement, schools, etc. However, paying

that consultant could cost six figures at a time when the county is faced with making deep budget cuts.

Dougherty questioned whether "the juice is worth the squeeze," but added he wasn't opposed to impact fees.

"As we look at development and growth, we need to have some mechanism in place to be able to collect on that. But we also need to make sure that we do that in the right way," he said.

Record state budget has money for Bradford and Union

BY MARK J. CRAWFORD
Telegraph Editor

The state's largest ever budget includes millions of dollars for local projects.

Florida legislators met in overtime to approve a \$112 billion budget. This is \$12 billion higher than the governor proposed and 10% larger than the current budget.

While ready for his signature, Gov. Ron DeSantis has the authority to veto line items from the budget, which could affect which local projects get funded.

Local leaders have worked with Rep. Bobby Payne and Sen. Jennifer Bradley to express the need for projects that will improve the quality of life here as well as encourage economic development and growth.

One of those projects is already underway. In the state's proposed budget for 2022-23 is the latest allocation toward the construction of Bradford County School District's new K-7 school. The legislature included nearly \$16.7 million toward completing the project by fall 2023.

The Bradford County Fairgrounds is in line for \$3 million for the reconstruction and hardening of the fairgrounds as an emergency evacuation shelter. The fairgrounds board borrowed against future state allocations to advance the project, but prior

requests have been vetoed.

Starke also has three allocations in the budget, including \$1 million for wastewater tank improvement and \$750,000 for the rehabilitation of wastewater lines. The police department could also receive \$207,500 for roof and electrical work at the police station.

Union County could receive some large allocations from the state as well, including \$3 million for a new safety complex. The budget also contains allocations in the amount of \$875,000 to upgrade Lake Butler's drinking water tank, \$750,000 for a county agriculture education building and \$415,000 for enhanced courthouse security.

Raises for state employees and more

Every state employee is set to receive a 5.38% pay raise under the new budget to account for inflation, and no state worker will make less than \$15 an hour if the proposed budget is approved. The proposed minimum wage for correctional officers is \$20 an hour.

The budget for K-12 education is \$24.3 billion, \$250 million of which is earmarked to increase teacher salaries. The goal is still

to increase minimum teacher pay to \$47,500. Half of the money will be spent toward that goal while the rest will increase the salaries of veteran teachers.

The legislature will use federal stimulus dollars to pay for a monthlong gas tax holiday in October. Additional stimulus dollars will pay for construction and maintenance at state colleges and universities (\$1.4 billion), the expansion of broadband internet (\$400 million) and grants for local government climate resiliency projects (\$200 million).

The state plans to construct a new 4,500-bed prison for \$645 million as well.

Credit for the record spending plan is due to the billions of dollars in federal stimulus as well as the growth in tax revenue coming out of the pandemic.

Police recruitment bill gives more spending power to sheriffs

A bill approved by the Florida House and Senate will provide a \$5,000 signing bonus for new recruits, a \$1,000 bonus for those who transfer from a job out of state and a \$1,000 scholarship for law enforcement trainees.

It even provides a \$10,000

or \$25,000 benefit for officers adopting a child within the state welfare system, with the amount tied to whether the child has special needs.

It also raises the base salary for sheriffs by \$5,000.

More importantly, a late amendment to the bill gives sheriff's more authority over spending in their county commission-approved budgets. Sheriff's will be able to transfer funds allocated for one purpose and use them for another without commission approval.

If signed into law, this would undo the Florida Supreme Court's prior support of Alachua County when Sheriff Sadie Darnell transferred money to fund employee raises.

Detractors of the bill said it gave sheriff's too much unchecked power — the ability to spend money meant for one purpose for another without oversight. Supporters said sheriff's should be able to do the job they were elected to do.

Melrose park celebration

The 20th anniversary celebration of Heritage Park in Melrose is postponed to Sunday,

March 20, at 1 p.m. at the park.

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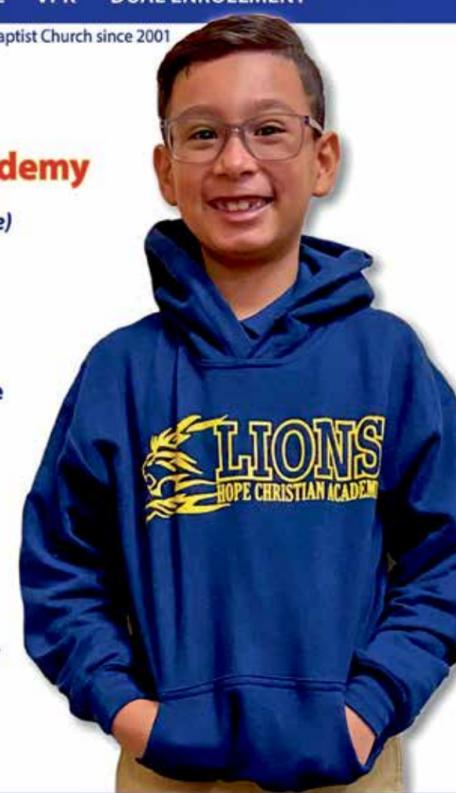
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Bradford teams compete in livestock judging at the fair



The Bradford team of (l-r) Payton McKenzie, Jackson Thames and Auston McKenzie placed first in Senior 4-H with a score of 1,104 in livestock judging at the Bradford Agricultural Fair on March 9. Photos by Cliff Smelley.



The Bradford team of (l-r) Koy Hartley, Ansley Ward and Shayna Durrance placed first in Intermediate 4-H with a score of 1,041. Durrance was the high-point individual with a score of 363.



The Bradford team of (l-r) Clyde Kelly, Hailey Griffis, Trevor Clements and Berkley Reddish placed first in Middle School FFA with a score of 958.



The Bradford team of (l-r) Natalie Thames, Kaitlyn McKenzie and Kierstyn McKenzie placed third in Intermediate 4-H with a score of 793.



The Bradford team of (l-r) Bailey Varnes, Jordan Hamilton and (not pictured) Regan Broome placed second in Senior 4-H with a score of 1,095. Hamilton was the high-point individual with a score of 385.



The Bradford team of (l-r) Ella Hewett, Reagan Adams, Maddison Lee and (not pictured) Lakelyn Sheppard placed second in Middle School FFA with a score of 955. Lee was the high-point individual with a score of 353.

3 exhibit best-overall 4-H projects at Bradford Fair

Anna Conner, Summer Crews and Mckynzie Stopka received best-overall awards for 4-H projects they exhibited at the Bradford Agricultural Fair.

The following results don't include table setting, which was covered in the March 10 issue of the Telegraph-Times-Monitor.

Conner and Crews earned their awards in the senior division — Conner in the area of photography and Crews in the area of paintings and drawings.

Stopka earned best-overall in the junior division in the area of jewelry.

In the senior division, Ally McElhenny earned best in area in photography, while Harley Smith earned best in area in creative arts.

Smith received four other blue ribbons: two in photography, one in educational materials and one in decorated items. She also earned red ribbons in creative arts and decorated items as well as a white ribbon in creative arts.

McElhenny also received two blue ribbons in photography, one blue ribbon in decorated items, three red ribbons in creative arts and one red ribbon in jewelry.

Kendall Key earned a total of six ribbons in the senior division: three blue ribbons in paintings and drawings, one blue ribbon in photography, one red ribbon in photography and one white ribbon in photography. Makaila Hedrick earned four ribbons in photography: one blue, two red and one white.

Senior-division participant Alexis Trautloff earned one blue ribbon and one red ribbon in clothing and textiles, while also receiving a white ribbon in photography. The senior division also included Jackson Thames receiving a blue ribbon and a white ribbon in photography, Auston McKenzie receiving a blue ribbon in creative arts and Jamie Sanford receiving a blue ribbon in photography.

Two exhibitors earned best in area in the intermediate division: Hailey Griffis in decorated items, Kaitlyn McKenzie in jewelry, Kierstyn McKenzie in paintings and drawings, and Raylen McKinney in educational materials.

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Florida's stores are the front lines of tobacco control

Dear Editor:
We as Floridians are encountering something that kills an average of three Floridians an hour, every hour of every day. It kills an estimated total of 32,300 Floridians each year. It's being colorfully promoted and is readily available at a place you visit frequently — your local convenience store or gas station. It's tobacco products like cigarettes, dip and chew. And tobacco companies spend billions of dollars a year to market these addictive products at the "point of sale" — retail locations where tobacco products are sold. They increased advertising dollars at the point of sale by more than 28% in just one year. When it comes to recruiting new youth to use tobacco, studies show this tactic has been effective — the likelihood of starting can more

than double for youth who visit a store with point-of-sale tobacco ads at least twice a week.

Tobacco executives view youth as "replacement smokers," the next generation of customers replacing those lost by the leading cause of preventable death in our state and our nation. To attract new youth smokers the tobacco industry continues to evolve the market with new products, like electronic cigarettes and heat-not-burn devices.

E-cigarettes are not safe, especially for youth and young adults. Most e-cigarettes contain nicotine, a dangerous and addictive chemical. E-cigarette companies market their products by promoting flavors, including many that are especially appealing to youth. According to the 2016 Surgeon General's Report on e-cigarette use among youth and young adults, flavors were the leading reason for youth e-cigarette use. Though the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) banned the sale of flavored pod or cartridge-based e-cigarettes, new, disposable products (like Puff Bars, Stig and Smok) popular among youth are not

covered under that policy. By evolving product design to get around FDA regulations, the e-cigarette industry is continuing to disregard the best interest of communities. Further, while the FDA policy bans mint flavored e-cigarettes, menthol flavored e-cigarettes can still be sold.

The front line in the ongoing work to save these lives is at the point of sale. What is Tobacco Free Bradford Partnership doing to counter act the millions of dollars being spent marketing cigarettes and other tobacco products, often at retail locations next to our schools? Tobacco Free Bradford and our Bradford County Students Working Against Tobacco (SWAT) Chapter have focused our efforts on educational and awareness activities to equip our community partners and members with the truth about Big Tobacco's predatory marketing at the retail point of sale. Our SWAT youth have a "Not a Lab Rat" campaign that provides another platform for youth to take a stand against Big Tobacco and educate their peers about the true dangers of tobacco and nicotine products

and how marketing plays a huge role in youth usage. If you would like to learn more about joining our efforts to combat predatory marketing at the retail point of sale or to become a champion for tobacco prevention efforts locally, visit <http://www.tobaccofreebradford.com> or call/email Candace Osteen at 904-703-5445 or candace@civcom.com.

Candace Osteen
Tobacco Policy Manager
Bradford

Thankful for emergency response, prayers

Dear Editor:
My name is Christian Lee. I am from Lake Butler, and March 18 will be three years ago that a tree fell on my car as I was on my way to work. No wind. No rain. The tree was a healthy, living tree.

It is my desire to put a "thank you" in the paper to all of

the emergency workers who helped me; all of the people that have helped my family during this time, and especially for everybody who talked to Jesus on my behalf. Truly, I am a miracle of the Lord today!

They tell me that it took approximately 45-50 minutes to get me out. There were so many who worked to get me out, and even our sheriff worked so hard to set up for life flight to be able to land. I want to say "thank you," as insignificant as those words seem, for all that they did.

Christian Lee

KH welcomes postmaster

Dear Editor:

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Sincerely,
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Burkett earns rosette in fair's Home Division

Beckie Burkett earned a best-overall rosette for a tablecloth in the Home Division at the Bradford Agricultural Fair.

Burkett also earned additional blue ribbons for a crocheted rug and a quilt.

Carol Wise received four blue ribbons for projects entered in the quilting class, while Lisa Brannon was awarded three blue ribbons for a pair of afghans and crocheted baby booties.

Kaitlin VanHeusen also earned three blue ribbons in the food department for apple butter, applesauce and strawberry preserves.

Julia King earned one blue ribbon for biscuits, while Patricia Stewart received a blue ribbon for a wall hanging.



This tablecloth earned Beckie Burkett a best-overall rosette among the home division exhibits at the Bradford Agricultural Fair. Photo by Cliff Smelley.

2 earn best in show for horticulture

Celina Rohman and Harley Smith earned best-in-show awards for their horticulture exhibits at the Bradford Agricultural Fair.

Rohman earned her award for a maidenhair fern. She also exhibited a bromeliad, which earned best in class, and a dish garden that received a blue ribbon.

Smith received best in show for quail eggs. She also exhibited Favorolles chicken eggs, earning a blue ribbon.

Tracy Meadows earned three best-in-class awards for a begonia, geranium and kalanchoe.

Meadows also earned blue ribbons for the following: dish garden (3), double impatiens, angel-wing begonia (2), orchid, nasturtium, dracaena (2), Tai plant and bromeliad.

Murley Blankeship earned two best-in-class awards for foliage and a dish garden. She earned additional blue ribbons for flapjack, tiger aloe and a dish garden.

Donna Solze earned best in class for a donkey ear plant. She earned additional blue ribbons for jade, wax begonia, lemon-striped agave, desert rose and spider plant.

Bradford Middle School FFA entered eight exhibits, with Jordayne Goddard's creeping fig earning best in class. The chapter's other exhibits all earned blue ribbons: Annsley Wilkes' begonia rex, Kingslee Phillips' creeping fig, Lakelynn Shepard's begonia rex, Bailey Smith's philodendron, Bri Lynn Brown's Codiaeum variegatum, Ella Hewett's Codiaeum variegatum and Maddison Lee's philodendron.

Teresa Jerrels earned best in class for blue eggs. She earned additional blue ribbons for olive eggs and silkie eggs.

Miranda Sellers received nine blue ribbons for the following: heart-shaped hoyo, variegated spider plant, jade, monkey tail cactus, euphorbia lactea, fiddle leaf, cactus, silkie eggs and Australorp eggs.



Celina Rohman earned best in show for a maidenhair fern.

Pat Caren had seven exhibits earn blue ribbons: cactus, hedgehog cactus, zebra, maranta, spider plant, ponytail palm and sedum rupestre. She also earned red ribbons for calathea lancifolia and oxalis and a white ribbon for English ivy.

Jeff Buchanan and Kim Griffis each received three blue ribbons. Buchanan received his for Vincent Godsiff rose, Puerto Rico rose and Bengale d'Automne rose, while Griffis earned hers for cream eggs, cuckoo marans eggs and green eggs.

Buchanan also earned red ribbons for a rose and a Le Vesuve rose.

Emma Griffis received two blue ribbons for Australorp eggs and bob-white eggs.

The following earned one blue ribbon each: Stephanie Groves (African violet), Carol Wise (spring cactus), Kathy Agan (euphorbia), Finley Brewster



Harley Smith's quail eggs earned a best-in-show award. Photos by Cliff Smelley.



Jeff Morgan earned a rosette in woodworking.

Adrienna Robinett earned a best-overall rosette in arts and crafts at the Bradford Agricultural Fair for her quilling lion. Photos by Cliff Smelley.



2 earn rosettes for arts and crafts

Jeff Morgan and Adrienna Robinett received best-overall rosettes for arts-and-crafts exhibits at the Bradford Agricultural Fair.

Morgan earned the award in the area of woodworking for an American Indian. It was one of two woodworking projects

entered by Morgan, with the other being awarded a blue ribbon.

Robinett was awarded a rosette for a lion created by quilling.

Kaitlin VanHeusen and Nick Ward each entered a blue ribbon and red ribbon for projects entered in the area of

photography, while Shaun Ward received a blue ribbon and a white ribbon for photo exhibits.

Wyatt Acevedo, Julia King and Reed Thames each earned one blue ribbon, while Cassie Acevedo earned one red ribbon.

EXHIBITS

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Griffis earned an additional blue ribbon in decorated items as well as blue ribbons educational materials, clothing and textiles, fiber arts, jewelry and cake decorating. She also received one red ribbon each in jewelry and decorated items.

Kaitlyn McKenzie earned an additional blue ribbon in jewelry as well as a red ribbon in jewelry. Kierstyn McKenzie received an additional blue ribbon in paintings and drawings as well as a red ribbon in paintings and drawings.

George Wyatt Folsom earned nine ribbons in the intermediate division: two red in photography, two red in educational materials, one red in woodworking, three white in paintings and drawings, and one white in photography.

Jeffrey Eaves and Natalie Thames each received seven ribbons in the intermediate division. Eaves' ribbons were: one blue in creative arts, one blue decorated items, three red

in decorated items and two red in creative arts. Thames' ribbons were: one blue in photography, four red in paintings and drawings, one red in photography and one white in paintings and drawings.

The intermediate division had the following earn one ribbon each: Hunter Brewster, blue in educational materials; Case Clemons, blue in photography; Lily Conner, blue in photography; Shalin Hannah, blue in educational materials; Maddison Lee, blue in photography; Sarah Simmons, blue in photography; and Zane Vandruuff, white in paintings and drawings.

Will Conner received best in area in photography in the junior division, which also included participant Emma Griffis earning six ribbons: one blue in creative arts, three red in decorated items and two red in photography.

Dempsey Bradley and Sadie Tew each earned five ribbons in the junior division. Bradley's ribbons were: two blue in creative arts, one blue in food and nutrition, one red in creative arts and one red in paintings and drawings. Tew's ribbons

were: three red in paintings and drawings and two red in decorated items.

The junior division also included Isabella Trautloff earning two red ribbons and one white ribbon in paintings and drawings, and one red in creative arts, while Avery Gardner earned three red ribbons in photography.

Branton Clements (red), Halen McKinney (blue) and Saylor Rhoden (red) each earned one ribbon in educational materials in the junior division.

Cloverbuds

The youngest 4-H members, called Cloverbuds, aren't old enough to compete, but they can gain experience by entering projects and receiving green participation ribbons.

Cloverbuds, the areas they participated in and the number of projects in those areas were: Kessler Bradley, creative arts (3), paintings and drawings (1) and food and nutrition (1); Jackson Brewster, educational materials (1); Evelyn Rose Folsom, photography (3), educational

are consistent with a criminal conspiracy that he is afraid may come to light due to Valerie talking to too many people about it."

In one call, "Wilson tells Valerie to 'stop telling everybody about what's going on,' and that Valerie is running her mouth too much," Rooney wrote.

The officer documented

further communications between Valerie and N' Crisha McCutchen and Wilson. Rooney wrote that he believed the family was hiring "unc" to kill Presley.

According to a press release, officers stopped the McCutchens as the two women were driving to Orlando to meet with the hit man.

HIT MAN

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Rooney wrote that believing Presley was being intimidated and pressured not to testify, he began monitoring phone calls made by Wilson from the Bradford County Jail.

Rooney wrote in a sworn complaint that while monitoring calls between Wilson and his mother: Valerie McCutchen, the two discussed the missing witness and the fact that if Presley could not be located, the state had no case against Wilson. Rooney added that Wilson and McCutchen talked about an Orlando man named "unc."

"During the course of the conversations between Demitrius Wilson and Valerie McCutchen, they have cryptic conversations related to the possible testimony of Tremika Presley and discuss paying 'unc' to handle something for them related to the case," Rooney wrote. "Additionally, Wilson's statements to Valerie...

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Crime

Recent arrests in Bradford, Union and Clay

March 4 through March 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

Aaron Anthony Akridge, 25, of Keystone Heights was arrested by Bradford deputies on March 5 for DUI.

Angela Denise Allen, 48, of Jacksonville was arrested by Bradford deputies on March 6 for DUI and possession of cocaine.

Valerie Ann Ayers, 30, of Keystone Heights was arrested by Bradford deputies and Game and Fish officers on March 6 for possession of drugs, possession of drug equipment, smuggling contraband into a correctional facility and resisting an officer.

Rebecca Lea Baker, 36, of Lawley was arrested by Bradford deputies on March 9 for a probation violation.

Timothy Diedre Bean, 67, of Jacksonville was arrested by Bradford deputies on March 7 for an out-of-county warrant.

Rachel Leigh Blanchard, 34, of Gainesville was arrested by Starke police on March 8 for an out-of-county warrant.

Alton James Boles, 71, of Starke was arrested by Bradford deputies on March 6 for aggravated assault.

Rivas Marvin Omar Castro, 40, of Tampa was arrested by Lawley police on March 10 for driving with a suspended or revoked license.

Robert Dewayne Doughman, 45, of Raiford was arrested by Bradford deputies on March 6 for DUI.

Russell Allen Elixson, 30, of Lake Butler was arrested by Bradford deputies on March 6 for contempt of court.

Devin Shane Griffis, 31, of Starke was arrested by Game and Fish officers for attaching a tag not assigned to a vehicle, driving with a suspended or revoked license, violating water resource laws and an out-of-county warrant.

According to an arrest report, a Game and Fish officer was patrolling the Sampson Lake area where he found a vehicle parked in an unauthorized location at a boat ramp. The tag on the red, Ford Mustang was not assigned to that car. The officer wrote that he could find no one near the vehicle.

Man arrested after threats to Clay sheriff

BY DAN HILDEBRAN
Monitor Editor

GREEN COVE SPRINGS—Robert Abel, 55, was arrested Sunday in the parking lot of

An hour-and-a-half later, the officer spotted the Mustang travelling on Southwest 75th Avenue and attempted a traffic stop. While fleeing, the Mustang left the road and became stuck in a ditch. The two occupants, later identified as Devin Shane Griffis and Valerie Ann Ayers, ran into the woods. An hour later officers located Griffis and an hour-and-a-half after Griffis was found, officers arrested Ayers.

Antonyo James Hatch, 40, of Jacksonville was arrested by Starke police on March 7 for vehicle theft.

Michael Shane Beeman Hatch, 30, of Keystone Heights was arrested by Bradford deputies on March 8 for conditional release violations.

Courtney Rashard Kelly, 23, of Starke was arrested by Bradford deputies on March 6 for resisting an officer, driving with a suspended or revoked license, and an out-of-county warrant.

Kirstyn Jade Key, 22, of Starke was arrested by Bradford deputies on March 11 for battery.

Lindsey Kirkman, 26, of Starke was arrested by Starke police on March 8 for an out-of-county warrant.

Ashley Jean McCoy, 35, of Lake Butler was arrested by Bradford deputies on March 6 for vehicle theft.

N'crisha Tiara McCutchen, 33, of Starke was arrested by Bradford deputies for probation violations and conspiracy to commit a life or first-degree felony.

Valerie Vanessa McCutchen, 59, of Starke was arrested by Bradford deputies on March 5 for conspiracy to commit a life or first-degree felony.

Nesaw B. Merriweather, 28, of Starke was arrested by Bradford deputies on March 5 for resisting an officer and disturbing the peace.

Crystal M. Newham, 41, of Starke was arrested by Starke police on March 9 for an out-of-county warrant.

Kimberly Lynn Padgett, 41, of Hampton was arrested by Bradford deputies for a probation violation.

Anthony Gerard Philips, 58, of Melrose was arrested by Bradford deputies on March 5 for DUI.

Tabitha L. Phillips, 35, of Starke was arrested by Bradford deputies on March 11 for contempt of court.

George Washington Ladell Robinson, 61, of Newberry was arrested by Bradford deputies on March 8 for a probation violation.

James Luther Sanders, 38, of Starke was arrested by Starke police and Bradford deputies on March 10 for possession of drugs.

Monte Seabrook Jr., 27, of

Starke was arrested by Starke police on March 5 for aggravated battery and disturbing the peace.

According to an arrest report the defendant told officers he went to the victim's house to lift weights and a verbal altercation ensued. The defendant said he thought he was going to get jumped so he went back to his apartment, grabbed a knife and returned to the victim's residence where the argument continued.

When police arrived, a witness disarmed the defendant.

Joshua Ethan Wilkerson, 33, of Lawley was arrested by Bradford deputies on March 5 for possession of drugs, possession of drug equipment and a probation violation.

Union

Jonathan Christopher Culverson, 29, of Raiford was arrested by Union deputies on March 7 for domestic battery by strangulation, false imprisonment and resisting an officer.

Ashliana Marie Desposito, 30, of Ft. White was arrested by Union deputies on March 5 for an out-of-county warrant.

De'andre Mickel Owens, 20, of Orlando was arrested by Union deputies on March 9 for a probation violation.

Brian Anthony Stalnaker, 34, of Lake City was arrested by Union deputies on March 11 for domestic battery by strangulation and child cruelty.

Jason Gardner Wall, 42, of Bell was arrested by Union deputies on March 9 for being an out-of-state fugitive.

Frederick L. Williams, 52, of Glen St. Mary was arrested by Union deputies on March 7 for a probation violation.

Clay

Pamela Lee Easter, 21, was arrested by Clay deputies in Keystone Heights on March 7 for domestic battery.

Norman Alexander Emanuel, 30, was arrested by Clay deputies in Keystone Heights on March 10 for trafficking in methamphetamine and trafficking in fentanyl.

Caitlin Teresa O'Brien, 33, was arrested by Clay deputies in Keystone Heights on March 10 for battery on a person aged 65 or older.

Kimberly Faye Osborne, 47, of Keystone Heights was arrested by Clay deputies in Keystone Heights on March 7 for possession of fentanyl, possession of methamphetamine and possession of drug equipment.

Rebecca Lynn Reynolds, 23, was arrested by Clay deputies in Keystone Heights on March 10 for trafficking in methamphetamine and trafficking in fentanyl.

Tracy Deland Viddler, 46, was arrested by Clay deputies in Keystone Heights on March 8 for aggravated battery.

Cook said the incident is reflective of a trend in the country.

"What we're seeing across America these days are random ambush attacks on law enforcement," she said, "and that very well could have been the case Sunday morning or any morning for that matter."

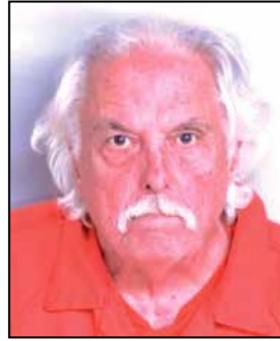
The defendant told deputies that he was working for the President of the United States and had come to the facility to arrest Sheriff Michelle Cook.

Ax attacker threatens second neighbor with knife

BY DAN HILDEBRAN
Monitor Editor

STARKE — A Bradford County man released on bond after attacking his neighbor with an ax was arrested a second time after threatening another neighbor with a pocketknife.

Bradford deputies arrested 71-year-old Alton James Boles on Friday, Feb. 25 for aggravated battery with a deadly weapon. The victim told deputies that during a verbal dispute, the defendant struck the victim with an ax on his head, neck and back. The victim was transported to UF Health Shands under a



Boles

trauma alert.

One week after being released on a \$25,000 bond for the Feb. 25 incident, deputies arrested Boles a second time for threatening a different neighbor with a pocketknife.

According to an arrest report, Boles made the threat after claiming the victim drove over his property.

Two days after the second arrest, Boles made bail again after posting a \$50,000 bond. The defendant and his victims live in the area of State Road 16 and County Road 229A.

Sexual offender gets 18 months for listing false address

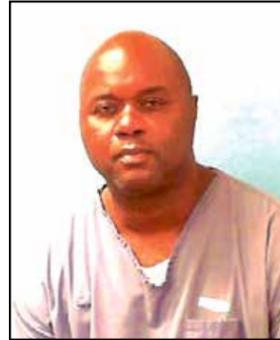
BY DAN HILDEBRAN
Monitor Editor

STARKE — A judge sentenced a registered sexual offender to 18 months in prison after he gave a false address to Florida's sexual offender registry.

Glenn Dewayne Burch, 48, pleaded no contest to the Sept. 29, 2021, offense of failure to report a residence change by a sexual offender.

The defendant was convicted in 1993 of lewd and lascivious behavior on a child under 16 years of age in Suwannee County. As part of his sentence, he was added to the state's sexual offender database.

According to court papers, in Sept. 2021, Bradford deputies found that upon release from the Department of Corrections, Burch told FDC officials that he



Burch

would be living at a Pine Street address in Starke. However, Burch's Florida ID card listed a Southeast 144th Street address as his home and the state's sexual offender database listed his home

on Market Road.

Deputies attempted to contact the defendant at all three locations but failed to find Burch. However, a neighbor at the Southeast 144th Street address said the defendant had not lived in the area for the year the neighbor resided there.

A man living at the Market Road address gave deputies the same story.

"Burch never lived there," a deputy wrote in a sworn complaint. "(Burch) just used (the witness's) address for the sex offender registry."

A Pine Street resident confirmed that Burch had been living on that road. However, a City of Starke ordinance prohibits sexual offenders from residing at that location.

Man denies drilling hole in wife's leg

BY DAN HILDEBRAN
Monitor Editor

KEYSTONE HEIGHTS — A Keystone Heights man who inflicted a puncture wound in his wife's leg told deputies that even though he picked up a drill during a fight with his wife, he did not use the power tool on the woman.

Tracy (Tray) Deland Viddler, 46, was arrested on March 9 by Clay deputies for aggravated battery.

According to an arrest report, the defendant argued with the victim, about the victim visiting the defendant's mother.



Viddler

During a physical struggle that ensued, the victim received a puncture wound in her leg. The arresting officer wrote in the report that the woman's legs were covered in blood. The victim's account of how she received the injury was not included in the arrest report.

Viddler admitted that during the fight, "he picked up a drill and pressed the button on it a few times while attempting to get (the victim) out of the door." The arresting officer added that Viddler claimed he did not touch the victim with the drill.

Ocala man sentenced for Lawley chase

BY DAN HILDEBRAN
Monitor Editor

STARKE — A 30-year-old Marion County man was sentenced to two years in prison for leading Lawley police and Bradford deputies on a chase through Lawley.

Brandon Wilbert Evans pleaded no contest to the Oct. 3, 2021, offense of fleeing and eluding an officer after a crash involving property damage or injury.

According to an arrest report, Lawley police stopped Evans's silver Acura for traveling 66 mph



Evans

in a 35-mph zone.

When Bradford deputies arrived to assist police, Evans led the officers on a high-speed chase on Grove, Adams, Lake and Olive Streets.

During the chase, Evans crashed into the fences of three residences, ran four stop signs and nearly collided with a pickup while attempting to pass the vehicle.

After crashing into a ditch on Grove Street, the defendant fled on foot. He stumbled just before reaching a wooded area and was detained by officers.

30 months for fleeing from officers

BY DAN HILDEBRAN
Monitor Editor

STARKE — A Bradford County man was sentenced to 30 months in prison after pleading to two incidents of fleeing from law enforcement.

Daniel Smith Griffis, 37, pleaded no contest to the Oct. 15, 2021, offenses of fleeing to elude law enforcement at a high speed, driving with a suspended or revoked license and opposing an officer without violence.

He also pleaded no contest to the Jan. 4, 2022, offenses of dealing in stolen property, possession of a controlled substance without a prescription, reckless driving, driving with a suspended or revoked license, criminal mischief with up to \$1,000 in property damage, leaving the scene of an accident involving property damage and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Bradford deputy Paul King wrote in an arrest report that



Griffis

on Oct. 15, 2021, he spotted Griffis pumping gas into a gray Chevrolet Equinox at a Hampton convenience store. However, when King ran the tag on the SUV, he found the plate belonged to a silver 1994 Mazda pickup.

When King followed the Chevy through Hampton and toward Starke on Southeast County Road 221, Griffis picked

up speed.

"The vehicle then passed another vehicle in a no-passing zone," King reported, "on SE CR 221 at SE 109th Street (also known as Meng Dairy Road)."

King wrote that he then activated his lights and siren, but Griffis kept going.

"As the vehicle went over the railroad tracks on CR 221 at a high rate of speed, it became airborne," King wrote. "When the vehicle landed the driver lost control and the vehicle came to rest in a ditch at an electrical substation."

The defendant ran from the crash and into the woods behind the substation. After looking for Griffis for two-and-a-half hours, officers called off the search.

Deputies arrested Griffis for the incident on Nov. 12.

Two months later, on Jan. 4 Deputy Glenn Ward Jr. spotted Griffis travelling on County

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Sheriff Smith responds publicly to commissioner's letter

BY MARK J. CRAWFORD
Telegraph Editor

STARKE — Sheriff Gordon Smith took exception to a number of points in a letter to the editor written by Commissioner Diane Andrews, and he let her know about it publicly during the March 7 commission meeting.

Smith accused her of not gathering the correct information and said she should dig deeper.

"If you don't, half-truths is what your constituents will believe. When you don't get all the information, maybe sometimes they think that maybe you're even lying to them," he said.

Smith criticized her representation of everything from her take on the property tax rate hike to her failure to meet personally with him or other constitutional officers to understand more about their budgets.

"I don't think you can fault us for trying to help you, because regular citizens come by our office all the time and ask for input," he said.

The sheriff counted the unused cameras in the room and turned Andrews request for more public discussion around on the commission, pointing out that thousands of dollars have spent on technology that is not being used to share their meetings with the public.

"Sometimes our citizens that we serve have good information and have good ideas. So who's

hiding? We can turn it on anytime, and everybody in this county can watch what's going on," he said. "I'm not hiding. I bring the camera with me. I think everybody will admit that I'm not scared of a camera."

Smith revisited responsibility for the fire department, how it came to be under his office and then reverted back to the commission. He said with one full-time chief and part-time firefighters, they applied for federal assistance to pay for the staff they already had, not to grow the department, and understood without that revenue, their budget would not grow and they would have to stay the course. That included answering 100% of the calls for fire service. They had a handful of volunteers to help and created a program at North Florida Technical College to certify students.

While Andrews had stated that the sheriff should no longer have a say in the funding of fire rescue, Smith said that his 36 years in public service and 21 years in elected office have given him the insight to chime in. She should rely on all experience offered to set her position, he said.

Smith said he could have written his response in a letter to the paper, but he preferred "two-way communications."

In spite of his criticisms, he closed by saying he believed commissioners are doing everything possible to work through the county's financial

troubles. The county needs the best fire department it can afford, he said, and firefighters deserve to know their jobs are secure.

Andrews responded later in the meeting, saying she didn't want an argument with the sheriff, but she found the way he takes over commission meetings "troublesome." When he jumped in at the franchise fee meeting, she said it resulted in firing up the public, resulting in screaming and yelling.

"You're personal attacks on me in here, screaming and yelling at me, is just unprofessional," she said.

"I want to get along with you, I really do. I want to be a good commissioner. I deeply care about the people and want to do a good job."

Andrews said there is a difference between spending within budget and being a good steward of public money, so everything everyone is spending must be examined.

"This is going to be a difficult time. We're going to get feelings hurt. People are going to be mad, and I'm sure I'm going to get yelled at, but I just want us to do the right thing for the county," she said.

Andrews said she believes the county can fund the fire department and more, but everyone is going to have to work together.

You can listen to the discussion at www.BCTelegraph.com.



One of the Keystone Heights Heritage Commission's projects is to award plaques to the owners of historic homes within the city. Photo: Keystone Heights Heritage Commission.

Heritage commission plans walking tour

BY DAN HILDEBRAN
Monitor Editor

KEYSTONE HEIGHTS—The city's Heritage Commission is hosting a walking tour of the town's historic homes on May 7.

Commission member Deirdre Murphy told city council members during their March 7 meeting that the purpose of the event is to bring awareness and historic knowledge of the homes in the community to the public.

Murphy added that the event is an exterior tour only and does not include going inside houses.

"We want to schedule this for Saturday, the day before Mother's Day and have roses for all the mothers at the pavilion,"

she said. "That will be our starting point. We'll be able to hand out little guides similar to what we have already in the lobby of city hall to all the participants and then they will be able to kind of have a self-guided tour of the historic homes."

Other Heritage Tour events

Heritage Commission Chair Nina Rodenroth added that the group also plans a historic home plaque workshop and an event featuring Clay County Archive Director Vishi Garig.

Rodenroth also proposed a Kids-of-Keystone field trip to

educate area youth about the town's history. She added that the event will be aimed at fifth graders and that the Heritage Commission has already reached out to area schools regarding the event.

Rodenroth told council members that one goal of the Kids-of-Keystone field trip is to give Lake Region youths an appreciation of the history and culture of their hometown. She added that such buy-in might reduce cases of vandalism perpetrated by teenagers.

"If we really make a difference with one child," she said, "it might be that one kid that says: don't vandalize the bathrooms at the park."

GRIFFIS

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Road 18 at a high rate of speed. When he attempted to stop the car, it accelerated to 90 mph, then made an abrupt left turn into a residence about three miles east of Brooker.

Ward wrote that Griffis drove through the yard and into a wooded area in the back of the property before abandoning the Mercury Zephyr and fleeing on foot.

"There were two children playing in the yard of this residence at the time the suspect was driving in such a reckless manner," wrote Ward. "The children were not struck but

a small tree in the yard was knocked over (and) pulled out of the ground."

K-9 units from the sheriff's office and Union Correctional Institution later located Griffis in the woods.

Deputies later found methamphetamine in the vehicle, along with the identification and ATM cards of a woman.

During an interview later at the sheriff's office, Griffis told deputies he bought the car three days earlier for 12 grams of methamphetamine, then cut off the vehicle's catalytic converter and sold it for \$25.

Correction

A photograph recognizing members and officers of the National Honor Society at Hope Christian Academy was incorrect. The correct list is:

- Brooke McCloud, Vice President
- Emma Snyder, Treasurer
- Dakota Cedar, President
- Lydia Morgan, Parliamentarian
- Jadie Clark, Chaplain
- AJ Brown, Simon Hanson, Secretary
- Haley Sheppard, newly inducted
- Mector Diaz, Brenden Musser, Jonathan Anderson, Alaina McKinney, Angelica Barnett, Tavian Frazier, Jude Hanson, Zachary Hansen, Wyatt Gauthier and Logan Ellis.

We apologize for the error.

2021 Annual Drinking Water Quality Report Of City of Lake Butler

We are pleased to present to you this year's Annual Water Quality Report. This report is designed to inform you about the quality water and services we deliver to you every day. Our constant goal is to provide you with a safe and dependable supply of drinking water. We want you to understand the efforts we make to continually improve the water treatment process and protect our water resources. We are committed to ensuring the quality of your water. Our water source is two ground water wells from the **Floridan Aquifer**. Because of the excellent quality of our water, the only treatments required are chlorination for disinfection purposes and aeration for odor control.

In 2018, the Department of Environmental Protection performed a Source Water Assessment on our system. The assessment was conducted to provide information about any potential sources of contamination in the vicinity of our wells. There is one source with low concern and a second source with moderate concern. The assessment results are available on the DEP Source Water Assessment and Protection Program website at www.dep.state.fl.us/swapp. This report shows our water quality results and what they mean.

If you have any questions about this report or concerning your water utility, please contact the water plant operator at (386) 496-4853. We encourage our valued customers to be informed about their water utility. If you want to learn more, please attend any of our regularly scheduled meetings. They are held the second Monday of each month, beginning at 5:15pm.

The City of Lake Butler Water Treatment personnel routinely monitor for contaminants in your drinking water according to Federal and State laws, rules, and regulations. Except where indicated otherwise, this report is based on the results of our monitoring for the period of **January 01, 2021 to December 31, 2021**. Data obtained before January 01, 2021 and presented in this report are from the most recent testing done. In this table you will find many terms and abbreviations you might not be familiar with. To help you better understand these terms we've provided the following definitions:

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

Parts per billion (ppb) or Micrograms per liter (µg/l) – one part by weight of analyte to 1 billion parts by weight of the water sample.

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

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

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

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

Maximum residual disinfectant level or MRDL - The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.

Maximum residual disinfectant level goal or MRDLG - The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.

TEST RESULTS TABLE

Volatile Organic Contaminants							
Contaminant and Unit of Measurement	Dates of Sampling (mo./yr)	MCL Violation Y/N	Level Detected	MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination	
Xylenes(ppm)	06/2021	N	.05	0	10	Discharge from petroleum factories; Discharge from chemical factories	
Radiological Contaminants							
Radium 226 + 228 or combined radium (pCi/L)	07/2015	N	1.2	N/A	0	5	Erosion of natural deposits
Inorganic Contaminants							
Barium (ppm)	06/21	N	0.0128	N/A	2	2	Discharge of drilling wastes; discharge from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits
Fluoride (ppm)	06/21	N	0.301	N/A	4	4.0	Erosion of natural deposits; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories. Water additive which promotes strong teeth when at optimum levels between 0.7 to 1.3 ppm.
Sodium (ppm)	06/21	N	6.71	N/A	N/A	160	Salt water intrusion, leaching from soil
Secondary Contaminants							
Total Dissolved Solids	06/21	N	226	N/A	N/A	500	Natural occurrence from soil leaching
For bromate, chloramines, or chlorine, the level detected is the highest running annual average (RAA) computed quarterly, of monthly averages of all samples collected. For haloacetic acids or THM, the level detected is the highest RAA, computed quarterly, of quarterly averages of all samples if the system is monitoring quarterly or is the average of all samples if the system monitors less frequently than quarterly. Range of Results is the range of individual sample results (lowest to highest) for all monitoring locations, including initial Distribution System Evaluation (ISDE) results as well as Stage 1 compliance results.							
Disinfectant or Contaminant and Unit of Measurement	Dates of sampling (mo./yr.)	MCL Violation Y/N	Level Detected	Range of Results	MCLG or MRDLG	MCL or MRDL	Likely Source of Contamination
Chlorine (ppm)	Monthly 2021	N	2.0	0.7/2.1	MRDLG = 4	MRDL = 4.0	Water additive used to control microbes
Haloacetic Acids (five) (HAA5) (ppb)	06/29/21	N	14.7	N/A	N/A	MCL = 60	By-product of drinking water disinfection
THM [Total trihalomethanes] (ppb)	06/29/21	N	32.4	N/A	N/A	MCL = 80	By-product of drinking water disinfection
Contaminant and Unit of Measurement	Dates of sampling (mo./yr.)	AL Violation Y/N	90th Percentile Result	No. of sampling sites exceeding the AL	MCLG	AL (Action Level)	Likely Source of Contamination
Lead and Copper (Tap Water)							
Lead (tap water) (ppb)	07/22/21	N	0.001	0	0	15	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits
Copper (tap water) (ppm)	07/22/21	N	.3	0	1.3	1.3	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives

What does this mean?

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

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

Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

- (A) **Microbial contaminants**, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife.
- (B) **Inorganic contaminants**, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally-occurring or result from urban stormwater runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.
- (C) **Pesticides and herbicides**, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban stormwater runoff, and residential uses.
- (D) **Organic chemical contaminants**, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban stormwater runoff, and septic systems.
- (E) **Radioactive contaminants**, which can be naturally occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

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

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk.

More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by *Cryptosporidium* and other microbiological contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1-800-426-4791).

We at the City of Lake Butler would like you to understand the efforts we make to continually improve the water treatment process and protect our water resources. We are committed to insuring the quality of your water. If you have any questions or concerns about the information provided, please feel free to call any of the numbers listed.

Sincerely,
City of Lake Butler Utility Staff

County grant to replace mobile homes

BY DAN HILDEBRAN
Monitor Editor

GREEN COVE SPRINGS — Clay County officials said that under the county's federal Community Block Development Grant, it is setting aside \$100,000 for the demolition and

replacement of mobile homes. Other housing funds will be used for housing rehabilitation (\$271,055), administration and planning (\$213,825), public infrastructure (\$300,000) and code enforcement (\$200,000). The county ranked the

demolition and replacement of mobile homes as its number 2 priority in its Community Block Development Plan. The first priority was housing rehabilitation.

August start date for Black Creek project

BY DAN HILDEBRAN
Monitor Editor

PALATKA — An official with the St. Johns River Water Management District said the district hopes to break ground on the Black Creek Water Resource Development Project in August.

When completed, the project will capture up to 10 million gallons of water a day from the south fork of Black Creek and pipe the water 18 miles south to a recharge area south of Magnolia Lake, replenishing Alligator Creek and the Keystone lakes. The project would also recharge

the Upper Floridan Aquifer. Director of Projects Dale Jenkins told the district's governing board during a March 8 meeting that the district received its National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit for the project from Florida's Department of Environmental Protection on Feb. 11. Four days later it applied for its environmental resource permit from DEP.

Jenkins added that the district expects to receive its final approval: the Section 404 permit from the Army Corps of Engineers in April.

"We have already opened discussions with our design and construction management team regarding procurement for construction services," Jenkins said, "and anticipate construction-related items coming before the board between May and July for various issues including construction management services and award of a construction contract for the intake structure and pump station near Black Creek."

He added that the district is still on pace to meet its groundbreaking goal of Aug. 22 to begin construction.



Crosses for veterans

The Union County Interact Club with their sponsor and members of the Lake Butler Rotary Club. These young people put up the crosses on Memorial Day and July 4. The UCHS carpentry class builds and sands the crosses. Pictured (l-r) are Union County Superintendent of Schools Mike Ripplinger, Nancy Griffis (Interact sponsor), Gracelyn Manning, Savannah Miller, Madison Garber, Brian Reagan, Kamryn Southerland, Art Peterson, Jody Read, Shane Collins, Becky Elixson and Ted Barber.

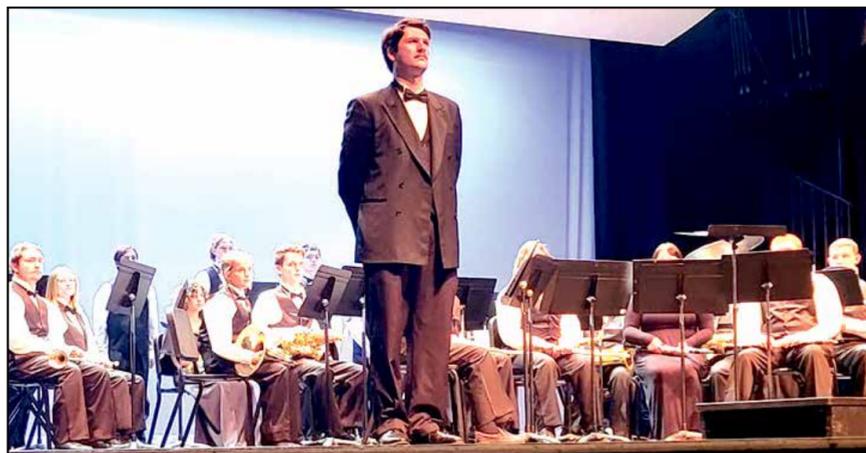
KHHS band rated overall excellent

BY DAN HILDEBRAN
Monitor Editor

The Keystone Heights High School band earned an overall excellent rating at the Florida Band Association's District 21 concert music performance assessments at the Flagler Town Center on March 5.

Band Director Justin Coker said the overall excellent rating was the first time in years the group had achieved the score.

"This is an unprecedented amount of growth from just the beginning of this year," he said.



KHHS Band Director Justin Coker with the concert band at the Florida Band Association music performance assessments on March 5. Photo: KHHS Band Boosters.

Youth can enter conservation contest

Bradford Soil and Water Conservation District is accepting youth speech and poster submissions. The 2022 theme is "Healthy Soil, Healthy Life." From flood protection and clean drinking water to abundant food, healthy soil plays a role in many parts of our lives.

Speech and poster winners in Bradford County will also compete at a district and state levels. Bradford County's prizes have doubled this year. For both contests, first place wins a \$30 gift card, second place a \$20 gift card and third place a \$10 gift card.

District prizes are to be determined, but state prizes include cash awards of \$25 to \$50 in the poster contest and \$100 to \$500 in the speech contest.

Entries due by April 29. For complete rules and submission requirements, please contact Paul Still at p.still.bswcd@gmail.com or 904-368-0291.

Church Movie Night: 'Passion of the Christ'

Join New River Baptist Church, located at 16703 SW 144th Ave. in Brooker, for Movie Night on Sunday, March 20, at 6 p.m. for a viewing of the movie "The Passion of the Christ" in the fellowship hall.

This is a Mel Gibson film featuring Jim Caviezel. It is a profound story of courage and sacrifice depicting the final 12 hours of the life of Christ.

Admission is free and there will be popcorn. For more information, please call 904-796-2359.

Legal Notices

Bradford

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR
BRADFORD COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROBATE DIVISION
File No. 04-2022-CP-010
Division Probate

IN RE: ESTATE OF
RICHARD EDWARD TAYLOR,
Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of Richard Edward Taylor, deceased, whose date of death was November 6, 2021, is pending in the Circuit Court for Bradford County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 945 N. Temple Avenue, Starke, Florida 32091. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate 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 March 10, 2022.

this matter will be waived and the Department will dispose of this cause in accordance with law.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

Michael P. Griffis
Last known address of:
383 N Cherry St
Starke FL 32091
You are hereby notified that your eligibility to vote is in question. You are required to contact the Supervisor of Elections, in Starke, Florida, no later than thirty (30) days after the date of this publishing. Failure to respond will result in a determination of ineligibility by the Supervisor and your name will be removed from the statewide voter registration system.

Published one time in the Bradford County Telegraph
Amanda Seyfang
Bradford County Supervisor of Elections
P. O. Box 58
945 N. Temple Ave., Suite C
Starke, FL 32091
Date: March 9, 2022

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE:

MIRACLE AUTOMOTIVE & TRUCK SERVICE CENTER INC. gives notice that on 04/01/2022 at 12:00 PM the following vehicle(s) may be sold by public sale at 820 N. THOMPSON ST. STARKE FL, 32091 to satisfy the lien for the amount owed on each vehicle for any recovery, towing, or storage services charges and administrative fees allowed pursuant to Florida statute 713.78.

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PUBLIC MEETING

THE PUBLIC IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that the Board of County Commissioners of Bradford County, Florida will hold a budget workshop on March 24, 2022 at 8:30 AM at the Bradford County Courthouse, located at 945 N. Temple Avenue, Starke, Florida.

The public is encouraged to visit www.bradfordcountyfl.gov/meetings or to call the Office of the County Manager at (904) 966-6327 to obtain a copy of the agenda for this meeting.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

Christina E. Gibbs
Last known address of:
5265 Pine St
Hampton FL 32044
You are hereby notified that your eligibility to vote is in question. You are required to contact the Supervisor of Elections, in Starke, Florida, no later than thirty (30) days after the date of this publishing. Failure to respond will result in a determination of ineligibility by the Supervisor and your name will be removed from the statewide voter registration system.

Published one time in the Bradford County Telegraph
Amanda Seyfang
Bradford County Supervisor of Elections
P. O. Box 58
945 N. Temple Ave., Suite C
Starke, FL 32091
Date: March 14, 2022

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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO REGISTER FICTITIOUS NAME

Pursuant to Section 865.09, Florida Statutes, notice is hereby given that the undersigned: Phillip McDonald, Dylan McDonald, and Blake Jones, 15895 SW 161st St., Brooker, FL 32622 joint owners, doing business under the firm name of: Noah Florida Concrete Solutions, Inc. 15895 SW 161st St., Brooker, FL 32622, intends to register fictitious name under the aforesaid statute. Dated this 15th day of March A.D., 2022, in Bradford County, Florida.

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Union

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR UNION COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 21000045CAAXMX
CITIMORTGAGE, INC.,
Plaintiff,

VS.
UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, SURVIVING SPOUSE, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEE, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES, AND ALL OTHER PARTIES CLAIMING AN INTEREST BY THROUGH UNDER OR AGAINST THE ESTATE OF HENRY W. FILER, DECEASED;
Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF ACTION TO: Unknown Heirs, Beneficiaries, Devisees, Surviving Spouse, Grantees, Assignee, Lienors, Creditors, Trustees, and all other parties claiming an interest by through under or against the estate of Henry W. Filer, deceased. Last Known Residence: Unknown YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose a mortgage on the following property in Union County, Florida: . A PARCEL OF LAND CONTAINING A TOTAL AREA OF 1.2 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, LYING, BEING AND SITUATE IN THE NORTH 1/2 OF GOVERNMENT LOT 1, SECTION 31, TOWNSHIP 5 SOUTH, RANGE 20 EAST, CITY OF LAKE BUTLER, UNION COUNTY, FLORIDA, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

COMMENCE AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SAID NORTH 1/2 OF GOVERNMENT LOT 1, SECTION 31, AND RUN NORTH 01 DEGREE 45 MINUTES 29 SECONDS WEST, ALONG THE EAST LINE OF SAID SECTION 31, A DISTANCE OF 63.55 FEET TO THE INTERSECTION WITH THE CENTERLINE OF STATE ROAD NUMBER 121; THENCE CONTINUE RUNNING NORTH 01 DEGREE 45 MINUTES 29 SECONDS WEST, CONTINUING ALONG SAID EAST LINE OF SECTION 31, A DISTANCE OF 143.19 FEET TO A POINT, SAID POINT BEING A DISTANCE OF 1174.66 FEET SOUTHERLY OF THE NORTHEAST CORNER

OF SAID SECTION 31; THENCE RUN SOUTH 85 DEGREES 30 MINUTES 34 SECONDS WEST A DISTANCE OF 19.27 FEET TO THE INTERSECTION WITH THE WEST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF SOUTHEAST 5TH AVENUE (ALSO KNOWN AS EPPERSON STREET) AND THE POINT OF BEGINNING OF THE HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED PARCEL OF LAND; THENCE RUN SOUTH 00 DEGREES 49 MINUTES 12 SECONDS EAST, ALONG SAID WEST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF SOUTHEAST 5TH AVENUE, A DISTANCE OF 88.35 FEET; THENCE RUN SOUTH 42 DEGREES 10 MINUTES 48 SECONDS WEST, CONTINUING ALONG SAID WEST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE, A DISTANCE OF 21.94 FEET TO THE INTERSECTION WITH THE NORTH RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF SAID STATE ROAD NUMBER 121; THENCE RUN SOUTH 85 DEGREES 10 MINUTES 48 SECONDS WEST, ALONG SAID NORTH RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF STATE ROAD NUMBER 121, A DISTANCE OF 69.06 FEET; THENCE RUN NORTH 01 DEGREE 45 MINUTES 29 SECONDS WEST A DISTANCE OF 103.74 FEET; THENCE RUN SOUTH 85 DEGREES 30 MINUTES 34 SECONDS WEST A DISTANCE OF 315.00 FEET; THENCE RUN NORTH 01 DEGREE 45 MINUTES 29 SECONDS WEST A DISTANCE OF 105.00 FEET; THENCE RUN NORTH 85 DEGREES 30 MINUTES 34 SECONDS EAST A DISTANCE OF 402.45 FEET TO THE INTERSECTION WITH SAID WEST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF SOUTHEAST 5TH AVENUE; THENCE RUN SOUTH 00 DEGREES 49 MINUTES 12 SECONDS EAST, ALONG SAID WEST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF SOUTHEAST 5TH AVENUE, A DISTANCE OF 105.10 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING!

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on ALDRIDGE I PITE, LLP, Plaintiffs attorney, at 1615 South Congress Avenue, Suite 200, Delray Beach, FL 33445, on or before March 31st, 2022, and file the original with the clerk of this court either before service on Plaintiffs attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint or petition.

Dated on February 24, 2022
Kellie Hendricks Rhoads
As Clerk of the Court
By: Crystal Norman
Deputy Clerk

3/3 4tchg 3/24-UCT

STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS The Union County Board of County Commissioners is soliciting Statements of Qualifications from professional firms, registered in the State of Florida, pursuant to Section 287.055, Florida Statutes, known as the Consultant Competitive Negotiation Act (CCNA), to provide Engineering Services for Union County.

The Scope of Services is intended to provide Engineering/Surveying Services for Widening and Resurfacing of CR 238N from NE 111th Way to CR 229 N, as

further described in Exhibit A, Project Description and Responsibilities. Funding being provided by Union County and the State of Florida Department of Transportation. Services under this contract may include any or all of the items listed under the "Consultant Scope of Services for Engineering Services". Please contact the Union County Board of County Commissioners Office 386-496-4241 for any additional information needed.

An original and seven (7) copies of the complete proposal plus one (1) electronic copy of the complete proposal shall be sealed and clearly marked on the outside: "Request for Qualifications - For Engineering/Design Services CR 238N, Project ID 44319-1-54-01-1-54-01. Deadline is April 5, 2022, 2:00 p.m.

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The Scope of Services is intended to provide Engineering/Surveying Services for Widening and Resurfacing of CR 18 from Columbia County Line to SR 121 in Union County, as further described in Exhibit A, Project Description and Responsibilities. Funding being provided by Union County and the State of Florida Department of Transportation. Services under this contract may include any or all of the items listed under the "Consultant Scope of Services for Engineering Services". Please contact the Union County Board Office 386-496-4241 for any additional information needed.

An original and seven (7) copies of the complete proposal plus one (1) electronic copy of the complete proposal shall be sealed and clearly marked on the outside: "Request for Qualifications - For Engineering/Design Services CR 18, Project ID 441325-1-34-01. Deadline is April 5, 2022 2:00 p.m.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR UNION COUNTY, FLORIDA.
Case No.: 63-2022-DR-006

IN RE: Maegan S. Kelly, I
Petitioner,
and
Jesse R. Kelly,
Respondent,

NOTICE OF ACTION FOR DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE TO: Jesse R. Kelly 8391 SW 155th Road Lake Butler, FL 32054 (last known address) YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for dissolution of marriage and an urgent motion for temporary relief have been filed against you and that you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Katherine E. Macdonald, attorney for Maegan S. Kelly, Petitioner, whose address is 2233 N.W. 41st Street, Suite 300-D, Gainesville, FL 32606,

on or before April 28, 2022, and file the original with the Clerk of this Court, Union County Courthouse, 55 West Main Street, Room 103, Lake Butler, FL 32054, before service on Petitioner or immediately thereafter. If you fail to do so, a default may be entered against you for the relief demanded, in the petition and motion. Copies of all court documents in this case, including orders, are available at the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office. You may review these documents upon request.

You must keep the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office notified of your current address.

(You may file Designation of Current Mailing and E-Mail Address, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.915.) Yellow papers in this lawsuit will be mailed or e-mailed to the addresses on record at the clerk's office.

WARNING: Rule 12.285, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure, requires certain automatic disclosure of documents and information. Failure to comply can result in sanctions, including dismissal or striking of pleadings.

Dated March 8, 2022
Kellie Hendricks Rhoads
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
Crystal Norman
(Deputy Clerk)

3/10 4tchg 3/31-UCT

FAIR HOUSING PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING NOTICE

The Town of Worthington Springs will conduct a Fair Housing Public Information Meeting on Tuesday, April 5, 2022 at 7:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as may be heard, at the Town of Worthington Springs Town Hall located at 11933 SW 36th Drive, Worthington Springs, Florida 32697-0150. The meeting is intended to provide the public, real estate professionals and elected officials with information concerning fair housing requirements. Anyone interested in understanding the importance of fair housing should attend. For more information concerning the public hearing contact Ms. Pat Harrell, Town Clerk at (386) 496-1006. Also, comments or questions (and requests for additional information) may also be submitted to Ms. Harrell by email at clerk.harrell@worthingtonsprings.org, or by postal service at P.O. Box 150, Worthington Springs, Florida 32697-0150. Also, persons seeking additional information about fair housing issues may contact the following toll free hotlines 1-802-342-8170 (Florida Commission of Human Relations) or 1-800-669-9777 (HUD-Washington, D.C.). The meeting will be held in a handicapped accessible location. Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in the meeting is asked to advise the Town at least five days before the hearing by contacting the Town Clerk at the phone number shown above. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the Town using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800) 955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800) 955-8770 (Voice).

A FAIR HOUSING/EQUAL OPPORTUNITY/HANDICAP ACCESS JURISDICTION

3/17 1tchg-UCT

Gay, Robinson exhibit top swine at Bradford Fair

Natalie Gay and Hayden Robinson exhibited the top animals in the swine show at the Bradford Agricultural Fair.

Gay's animal was named grand champion and homegrown grand champion, while Robinson's animal earned reserve grand champion as well as homegrown reserve grand champion.

The third- through fifth-place overall awards went to the following, in order: Kate Wainwright, Sydney Clemons and Weston Thompson.

Blake Wynn placed first in senior showmanship, with Delaney Crosby and Matthew Stafford placing second and third, respectively. At the intermediate level, it was Codi Huntley placing first, followed by Raelynn Moore and Audrey Cisco. Paisley Schmitt-Theus was first in junior showmanship, while Dawson Sullivan and Julian Rhoden placed second and third, respectively.

In senior 4-H record book, Payton McKenzie and Anna Conner were first and second, respectively, while the intermediate division consisted of Trevor Clements placing first and Gavin Smith placing second. Thompson was first in the junior division, followed by Rhoden.

The Bradford FFA record-book contest saw Clemons place first at the high school level and Lakelyn Sheppard

place first at the middle school level. Seth Clemons and Cassidy Spratlin were second and third, respectively, at the high school level, while Cannon Sapp and Annsley Wilkes took second and third at the middle school level.

In the Union County FFA record-book event, Gay was first at the high school level, followed by Reagan Robinson and Lyndee Griffis. Huntley was first at the middle school level, followed by Hayden Robinson and Conner Rowe.

Award sponsors

The following were sponsors of this year's awards for the steer and breed shows as well as the swine show: Union Power Equipment, Bradford Farm Bureau, Bradford Soil and Water Conservation District, Roberts Land and Timber, Wilbur and Kay Waters, Carlton Faulk (in memory of Nadine Faulk), Cook and Associates Insurance Agency LLC, Danny and Debbie Thomas, Jessie and Kellie Rhoades, R&B Fencing, Realtor Vanessa Thompson, North Florida Custom Meats, Farm Credit, Rogers Wild Game Processing, Realtor Kayla Alvarez (CW Realty), Bradford County Sheriff Gordon Smith, Wiggins Farm, Patrick Hartley Welding, Realtor Crystal Rosier (CW Realty), Bradford Eye



LEFT: Natalie Gay showed the grand champion swine, which sold for \$7,150 at the March 11 auction. BELOW: The reserve grand champion swine, which sold for \$5,180, belonged to Hayden Robinson. Photos by Cliff Smelley.



Center, Cuttin' Up, Boone Acres Cattle, Union County Sheriff Brad Whitehead, Fischer's Metal Works, 3D Cattle, Murray Ford Superstore, Bradford County Superintendent of Schools Will Hartley, Union County Superintendent of Schools Mike Ripplinger, Ink and Thread Graphics, Lake Harris Fencing, Williams Show Pigs, Frank Sheffield/Sheffield Pest Control, Community State Bank, Phillip Crawford Show Pigs, Bradford County Tax Collector Teresa Phillips, Durrance Pump and Well Drilling, Flew the Coop Farm, Westside Feed II, Emerson Nursery and Plant Rentals, Bradford County Judge Tatum Davis, Joe Hendricks, New River Cattle, Teal Tile and Carpet, Swift Creek Realty, Bradford County Commissioner Diane Andrews, Home Sweet Bone, A&D Recovery, Thompson's Garage, EC Farms, Reddish and White CPAs, Bucks and Struts, Patricia Wainwright, Suburban Carpet Cleaners, Whitehead Family Cattle, Michael Hardee Timber, Windows by Lisa, Eaves Cattle, Hamilton Farms, Mike Spires/IGA, Kenneth Clyatt/Clyatt Well Drilling, Russ Miscally/Mosley Tire, Union County School Board's Curtis Clyatt and Hunters Forge Farrier Service.

Auction consists of 101 pigs that sell for average of \$2,341

The two champions sold for an average of \$6,165, with the sales for all 101 pigs totaling \$236,457.25 at the March 11 Bradford-Union Cattle and Swine Youth Sale at the Bradford Agricultural Fair.

Natalie Gay's grand champion (and also homegrown grand champion), which weighed 275 pounds, sold for \$7,150 (\$26 per pound) to Sid Keen Concrete, Kris Kadlec, Southeast Perimeter Solutions, Clyatt Well Drilling, Kenny Elwood, Daryl Williams Masonry, Donnie Davis, Jordan's Concrete, Commercial Gates of Gainesville, Norfleet Construction, D.K. and Donna Bennett, David Kilby and Maggie Wetzel, and Wayne Dukes.

The reserve grand champion, which was also the homegrown reserve grand champion, was exhibited by Hayden Robinson. It weighed 259 pounds and sold for \$5,180 (\$20 per pound) to CA Boone Construction, Jackson Building Supply, Altschuler Periodontic and Implant Center, Joe Robinson, Pritchett Trucking, Falstreux Heating and Air, Lake Harris Fencing, Hunter Thomas, Thompson Garage, Community State Bank, Carlton Contracting, Phillip McDonald Plumbing and Chad Warden.

The resell value was \$1 per pound.

The remaining auction results were as follows, listing the exhibitor, weight of the animal, the price per pound, total price and, when provided, the buyers (results provided to the Telegraph-Times-Monitor didn't include buyers for some of the specific animals): Kate Wainwright, 273, \$16.50, \$4,504.50, Sheffield Pest Control, GCG Construction, Ferreira Funeral Services, Michael Moore Construction, Home Sweet Bone, Sunshine 2 Energy, Wart Timber; Sydney Clemons, 270, \$12, \$3,240, Terry McCarthy Tree Service, Williams Jewelry, Miracle Automotive and Towing, Clemons Field Services, C&S Site Prep, Crawford Show Pigs, West Fraser;

\$2,565, Dixie Salvage, Murray Ford Superstore, Michael Hardee Timber, Guide Metal; Bradford Middle School FFA (exhibited by Kelsey Reddish), 247, \$10, \$2,470, Capital City Bank, Bradford School Board, North Florida Technical College, Will Hartley, Mike and Jennifer McKenzie; Clyde Kelly, 254, \$5, \$1,270; Jensi Baldree, 258, \$8, \$2,064; Raelynn Moore, 266, \$10, \$2,660, A&D Recovery, Michael Moore Construction, Michael Hardee Timber, Thompson Garage, C&S Site Prep;

Ella Hewett, 280, \$15, \$4,200; Reece Scoggins, 251, \$7, \$1,757; Kaylee Page, 254, \$6, \$1,524; Cole Huntley, 257, \$13.50, \$3,469.50; Chase Bell, 261, \$14, \$3,654, Collins Lawn Service, Ray's Metal Works, Steve and Amanda Pile, Billy Bell, Suburban Cleaners; Codi Huntley, 266, \$13.50, \$3,591; Summer Rhoden, 268, \$14, \$3,752, Hamilton Custom Services, Sabrina Watson, Sunshine Industries, Harvey and Lorissa Rhoden, Hulsey Hauling, "Nanny" Brenda, Parker Company Land Development, Joey Siegmund, Wyatt Thomas, DMT Trucking;

Dempsey Bradley, 273, \$11.50, \$3,139.50, Thompson Garage, Community State Bank, Stable Foundations, Eaves Reporting; Landen Waters, 275, \$8, \$2,200, Craig Falstreux, Alan and Vanessa Thompson, Chad Ward Enterprises; Brody Bell, 282, \$9, \$2,538, West Fraser; Cannon Sapp, 283, \$7, \$1,981; Lakelyn Sheppard, 244, \$17, \$4,148, Ben Carter, Clint Sheppard; Payton McKenzie, 256, \$5.75, \$1,472; Callay Carter, 257, \$6.50, \$1,670.50;

Conner Rowe, 260, \$7.25, \$1,885, Outlaw Cattle, Dependable Waste Services, Capital Insurance Agency, Terrasa Wood, Roberts Land and Timber, Shadd Trucking; Anna Conner, 266, \$6, \$1,596; Aubrey Hewett, 269, \$12.50, \$3,362.50; Chloe Anderson, 274, \$5, \$1,370; Mason Scoggins,

275, \$5, \$1,375; Lyndee Griffis, 277, \$6, \$1,662; Seth Clemons, 287, \$7, \$2,009, Terry McCarthy Tree Service, West Fraser; Levi Jeffrey 241, \$5, \$1,205; Fisher Thomassen, 256, \$5, \$1,280; Summer Sutton, 257, \$7, \$1,799, V.E. Whitehurst Construction; Jaxson Carter, 262, \$6, \$1,572; Bradford FFA (exhibited by Raelynn Davis), 265, \$9.25, \$2,451.25, Bradford School Board, Will Hartley, North Florida Technical College, Capital City Bank, Community State Bank; Tucker Cox, 270, \$7, \$1,890; Mason Stone, 272, \$7, \$1,904, Beard Equipment, Ben Carter; Reagan Robinson, 274, \$9, \$2,466, Altschuler Periodontic and Implant Center, Joe and Linda Robinson, Murray Ford Superstore, Chad Ward; Steven Tate Demers, 278, \$7, \$1,946; Kylie Odom, 289, \$7.50, \$2,167.50;

Kacen Thomassen, 252, \$5, \$1,260, Shannon Smith; Jack Stack, 255, \$6, \$1,530; Kameron Crawford, 259, \$8, \$2,072, Sunshine 2 Energy, Interior Exterior Building Supply; Avery Gardner, 260, \$8.50, \$2,210, Ray's Metal Works, Traci Waters Photography, Hunter Thomas, Payton Thompson; Klayton Knipp, 263, \$9, \$2,367; Delaney Crosby, 270, \$11, \$2,970, Erica Reddish, Jackson Building Supply, Pipeline, Strickland's Scoop, Falstreux Heating and Air, Matt and Traci Waters; Trevor Clements, 274, \$8, \$2,192; Kiran Crawford, 275, \$11, \$3,025, Chad Ward;

Will Conner, 277, \$6, \$1,662; Jett Crawford, 285, \$11, \$3,135,

Collins Lawn Service, Beth and Mike Williams; Paisley Schmitt-Theus, 253, \$8, \$2,024, Shadd Trucking, Hillandale Quality Feeds, Clemons Site Prep, Williams Jewelry, Pritchett Trucking; Alana Borgner, 254, \$6, \$1,524, Pipeline; Jason Borgner, 259, \$6, \$1,554, Badcock, Pipeline; Braylon Herndon, 260, \$12, \$3,120, C&S Site Prep, Community State Bank, Phillip McDonald Plumbing; Gabriel Rhoden, 264, \$11, \$2,904, Harvey and Lorissa Rhoden, Chad Rhoden, Hulsey Hauling and Gabriel's grandparents;

Cody Spratlin, 268, \$9, \$2,412, Barbara and David Kirkland, Big Dog Bail Bonds, Murray Ford Superstore, A&G Heating and Air, Vought Trucking; Haydn Sanford, 273, \$10, \$2,730; William Hamilton, 276, \$5, \$1,380; Cayden Carter, 282, \$14, \$3,948, Greg Sanchez, Grooming by Sister, Anderson-Columbia, Benny and Lisa Carter; Jessica Traylor, 282, \$7, \$1,974, GCG Construction, Michael Moore Construction; Tucker Williams, 245, \$9, \$2,205, Roberts Land and Timber; Annsley Wilkes, 255, \$8, \$2,040; Judson Davis, 259, \$7, \$1,813;

Lily Conner, 262, \$6, \$1,572; Kaydence Crawford, 266, \$8, \$2,128, Sunshine 2 Energy, Interior Exterior Building Supply; Kaitlyn McKenzie, 270, \$5.75, \$1,552.50; Amber Wynn, 270, \$7, \$1,890, Collins Lawn Care, W.W. Gay; Brady Pearson, 276, \$13, \$3,588, Hamilton Environmental, DMT Trucking, Whittington Electric (Hunter

Williams), Sunshine 2 Energy; Zeke Balkin-Gainey, 281, \$7, \$1,967; Berkley Reddish, 284, \$9.50, \$2,698, David Rodgers, Strickland's Scoop, Don Fitzgerald, Hailey McElhenny, Florida Lawn Mechanics, Revels, DMT Trucking;

Lakyn Jackson, 241, \$6, \$1,446; Hunter Thomassen, 255, \$5, \$1,275, Falstreux Heating and Air; Blake Conner, 257, \$6.50, \$1,670.50, Laredo Mexican Restaurant; Ryder Thompson, 261, \$9.50, \$2,479.50, Thompson Garage, C&S Site Prep, Hamilton Custom Services, Brad Thomas, DMT Trucking, Michael Hardee Timber; Kierstyn McKenzie, 264, \$5, \$1,320; Colson Rowe, 270, \$6.75, \$1,822.50, Hamilton Custom Services, Thompson Garage, Roberts Land and Timber, Shadd Trucking;

Colby Griffis, 272, \$11, \$2,992, Pipeline, DMT Trucking, Stable Foundations, Kenny Thompson, C&S Site Prep, Gayle Nicula, John and Kaitlyn Nicula; Auston McKenzie, 274, \$6.75, \$1,849.50; Bayley Staier, 279, \$6, \$1,674; Allie McFarland, 290, \$7.50, \$2,175; Carson McKenzie, 248, \$6.25, \$1,550, Falstreux Heating and Air, V.S. Robinson Construction; Madalynn Turknett, 255, \$7, \$1,785; Audrey Cisco, 259, \$6, \$1,554, Dependable Waste Services; Julian Rhoden, 262, \$11, \$2,882, Murray Ford Superstore, Jones-Gallagher Funeral Home, Chad Rhoden, Hulsey Hauling;

Piper Denmark, 268, \$11, \$2,948, Thompson Garage, Brad

Thomas, Quality Plumbing; Brooklynn Reddish, 268, \$10, \$2,680, C&S Site Prep, Hamilton Custom Services, Strickland's Scoop, DMT Trucking, Culligan Water (Don Fitzgerald), Pritchett Trucking, Hulsey Hauling; Lucas Grider, 271, \$7, \$1,897; Ella Outlaw, 275, \$10, \$2,750; Emma Whittle, 278, \$11.50, \$3,197; Abigail Markham, 283, \$10, \$2,830; Avery Crawford, 244, \$7, \$1,708; Blake Wynn, 255, \$8, \$2,040, C&S Site Prep, Hunter Thomas, Beau and Sunny Pearson, Suburban Cleaners, Serenity Enterprises;

Branton Clements, 257, \$7, \$1,799; Krista Cadle, 261, \$5, \$1,305; Dawson Sullivan, 264, \$5, \$1,320; Hunter Merritt, 270, \$6.75, \$1,822.50; Ally Griffis, 271, \$11, \$2,981, Cuttin' Up, Kenny Thompson, C&S Site Prep, Gayle Nicula, John and Caitlyn Nicula, Stable Foundations, DMT Trucking; Natalie Thames, 275, \$5, \$1,375; Kylee Wright, 280, \$14.75, \$4,130, Madison Street Baptist Church, Revelation Church, Dink's Place, Matt and Nicole Stafford, Falstreux Heating and Air;

Hayden Powell, 285, \$9, \$2,565, Matt and Nicole Stafford, Dependable Waste Services, Falstreux Heating and Air, V.S. Robinson Construction; and Matthew Stafford, 254, \$12, \$3,048, Alan and Vanessa Thompson, Dink's Place, Jennifer and Michael McKenzie, Young Bucks Cattle Services, C&S Site Prep, Phillip McDonald Plumbing.

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Obituaries

Denise Arnold

MELROSE Denise V. Arnold, 62, of Melrose, passed away on Wednesday, March 9, 2022. She was born in Rockville Centre, New York on May 4, 1959.

There are no services being held at this time.

Bonnie Benckowsky

STARKE Bonnie Wilson Benckowsky, 66, a lifelong resident of Starke, passed away at her home Thursday, March 10, 2022, following a five-year battle with cancer. She was born in Lake Butler on April 3, 1955, to Carl and Catherine (Silcox) Wilson. Prior to retirement, she was employed with the Bradford County School system as a bus driver for over 20 years. She also had her C.N.A., C.D.L., and cosmetologist license. She enjoyed driving the school bus, cooking, traveling to the mountains, and lighthouses, but, most of all, she loved spending time with her family. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her brother, Marvin Wilson.



Survivors include her devoted and loving husband of 38 years, Stanley Benckowsky of Starke; daughter, Lesley (Kenneth) Norman of Ft. Pierce; siblings, Linda (Robert) Bowen of Riverview, Joe Wilson of Lake Butler, and Chuck (Julie) Wilson of Raiford. She was lovingly called "Memaw" by grandchildren, Garrett Norman of Starke, and Chelsey Rae Norman of Ft. Pierce; and "BonBon" by great-grandchildren, Blake and Addyson, along with nieces and nephews.

Services were held on Monday, March 14 in the DeWitt C. Jones Chapel with her son-in-law, Pastor Kenneth Norman, and nephew, Pastor Stacey Bowen, officiating. Interment followed at Dyal Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Bethel Baptist Church, 2750 McNeil Road, Ft. Pierce, FL 34981.

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

PAID OBITUARY

Mildred Corley

LAWTEY Mildred "Lou" Corley, 78, of Lawtey passed away at her home, Friday, March 11, 2022. She was born Oct. 26, 1943, in Taylor, Alabama to Alford and Rachel (Brookins) Corley. She was a homemaker, waitress, and avid gardener; she loved her plants and playing word games. In addition to her parents, she was also preceded in death by a son, Mike Osborne; her son's father, Howard David Osborne; and eight siblings.



She is survived by her son, Howard Osborne, and his wife, Kristina of Lawtey; and was lovingly called "Grandma" by Jimmy, Frank, Jesse, Keith, and Erin.

She requested no services but would like for memorial donations to be made to your local humane society.

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

PAID OBITUARY

Cheryl Crews

STARKE Cheryl "Darlene" Crews, 72, of Starke, passed away on Saturday, March 12, 2022, at E.T. York Care Center with her loving family by her side. She was born in Mayo on May 8, 1949, to the late Leon Brock and Zelma Ruth Hunt Brock. She was raised in Mayo and Lake Wales. After high school, she married the love of her life, Pete Crews, in 1966. Together they lovingly raised their two sons, Skipper and Richard, in Lake Wales, Middleburg, Lake Butler, and Lawtey until settling in Starke. She was a devoted wife and loving mother who enjoyed tending to her family as a homemaker. In 1990, her sweet love, Pete, passed away. Two years later, she found her loving companion, Ray Crews; they were married and enjoyed over 20 years of marriage. She enjoyed working as a seamstress at the sewing factory in Lake Butler; as well as working on chicken farms for Robert Whitehead and the Saunders family. She loved crafts such as watercolor painting, painting by numbers, cross stitch, and collecting porcelain dolls. She enjoyed bass fishing and loved being outdoors; but her main passion in life was her family, and spending time with them. She was preceded in death by her parents; loving husbands, Pete Crews and Ray Crews; brother, Huey Leon Brock; sister, Sharon Green; brother-in-law, John Harris; and sister-in-law, Pam Brock.

She is survived by her loving children, Skipper (Theresa) Crews of Keystone Heights, and Richard (Kelley) Crews of Gainesville; sisters, Regina Ilene (David) Stephens and Isla Jean Harris both of Douglas, Georgia; grandchildren, Richard, Bailee, Kolten, Kodi, Jacob, Joseph (Jessica), Joshua (Katie), Darrell, and Ashlie; eight great-grandchildren; and one great grandson on the way; along with numerous extended family members and friends who loved her dearly.

A Celebration of Life will be held Wednesday, March 16, with Pastor Matthew Carlton officiating. Interment followed at Evergreen Baptist Church Cemetery in Starke.

Arrangements were under the care and direction of V. Todd Ferreira Funeral Services Lake Butler Chapel, 435 Main St., Lake Butler. 386-496-1400.

PAID OBITUARY

Raymond Daily

LAWTEY Raymond Ellis Daily, 69, of Lawtey, died on Tuesday, March 2, 2022 at UF Shands Health in Gainesville.

He is survived by his father Dean Daily of Butler, Indiana; wife, Lisa Daily of Lawtey; sister, Barbara (Brian) Eager of Harland, Indiana; and several nieces and nephews.

A Celebration of Life will be held on Thursday, March 17, at 7 p.m. at Archie Tanner Memorial Chapel. The family will receive friends from 5 p.m. until 7 p.m.

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



Billie Gasset

LAKE BUTLER Billie Jean Gasset, 91, of Lake Butler, died Tuesday, March 15, 2022, at Windsor Health and Rehabilitation Center in Starke.

She is survived by her children, John L. (Nancy) Bradley of Jasper, Georgia, Melanie (Mike) Waters of Middleburg, Walter Pate (Carol Kline) Gasset of Keystone Heights, Fawn (Wilford) Allen of Lake Butler, and Camille (Greg) Whitaker of Starke.

A private Celebration of Life will be held at a later date. Arrangements are under the care and direction of V. Todd Ferreira Funeral Services and Archie Tanner Memorial Chapel, Starke, FL. 904-964-5757.

John Howard Jr.

John Marcus Howard Jr., 86, died Tuesday, March 8, 2022. He was born Jan. 18, 1936 in Dukes to John Marcus and Blanche Roberts Howard, who preceded him in death. He graduated from Union County High School, then went on to Clemson University, where he graduated in 1959. He retired from the Department of Corrections as the farm manager in Chattahoochee and later the Florida State Prison in Raiford. After retiring from the Department of Corrections, he continued his love of farming on the family farm. He was a faithful member of Harmony Freewill Baptist Church since birth. Besides his parents; he was also preceded in death by his sister, Gere Howard Johns.

He is survived by his wife, Cheryl Shealy Howard; children, Elizabeth H. (Ray) Howard, J. Paige (Bruce) Nicely, John Marcus Howard III; special great-niece, Michelli B. Mattox; grandchildren, Faron Dukes, Marcus Howard, Jessica Howard, Mario Norris, and Derek Norris; and seven great-grandchildren.

A memorial service was held at Harmony Freewill Baptist Church on Saturday, March 12. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Harmony Freewill Baptist Church, 6129 SW County Road 239, Lake Butler, 32054.

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Card of Thanks

On behalf of the father, the late Mr. Truman Strong, I would like to say "Thank you" to all of the people who reached out to us and offered their words of encouragement and condolences throughout this time of grieving our loss. I would also like to say thanks to everyone who made this week go as smoothly as possible; to include his going home service. I can't remember everyone's name, but know that, no matter what role you played during this time, we thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

Love, the Family of Truman Strong



William Martin

GRAHAM William "Bill" R. Martin, 81, of Graham, passed away peacefully at home on Sunday, March 6, 2022. He proudly served in the United States Air Force after high school. When he completed his time in the military, he began a successful career in sales, which he continued until retirement. He was an active member of Madison Street Baptist church in Starke for many years. He was loved by all who knew him and will be dearly missed. He was preceded in death by his sister, Mary Pawlicki; brother, Paul Martin; sons, Christopher Martin, and Paul R. Martin; and granddaughter, Hannah Martin.

He is survived by his loving wife of 61 years, Ethlyn Martin; brothers, Phillip (Daryl) Martin, and Alan Martin; granddaughters, Farah (Greg) Swan, and Erica Martin; and four great-grandchildren.

A Celebration of Life will be held at a later date.

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Minnie Parrish

LAKE BUTLER Minnie Alice Parrish, 85, of Lake Butler, passed away on Thursday, March 10, 2022, at Suwannee Valley Care Center in Lake City. She was born Feb. 23, 1937 to the late Heywood and Loca Waters McLeod and was a lifelong resident of Lake Butler. She was a Pre-K teacher for Lake Butler Elementary until her retirement. She enjoyed trips; especially cruises. Her greatest joy came from spending time with her family and loving on her grandchildren. Preceding her in death were her parents; her husband, Daniel Parrish; and son, Robbie Parrish.

She is survived by her children, Gary (Kathy) Parrish of Leesburg, Elaine (Edward) Redding of Lake Butler; Kathy (Walt) Hughs of Texas, Chuck Parrish of Lake Butler, Keith (Wendy) Parrish of Lake Butler, and Kevin (Erica) Parrish of Lake Butler; 17 grandchildren, Misty, Jody, Brady, Jeremy, Brandi, Megan, Owen, Dana, Jackie, J.R., Robbie, Cameron, Clay, Breanna, Stan, Mandi, and Greg; 23 great-grandchildren, Casey, Xander, Sara, Alexis, Erica, Devin, Dylan, Destiny, Jeremy, Nathan, Davis, Haisley, Harper, Jacob, Emily, Kaylie, Jessica, Ryan, Christopher, Joshua, Taylor, Austin, and Kayden; and two great-great-grandchildren, Eastyn and Maverick; and sister, Melba Nettles.

A graveside service was held at Elzey Chapel Cemetery on Monday, March 14. The service was officiated by Terry Elixson.

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Clifton Regar

Clifton Thomas Regar, 68, died Friday, March 11, 2022 after a long bout with cancer. Born April 22, 1953, in Dade City; he was the son of the late James E. Regar and Elouise Allen Regar. He lived with Sidney Keen, widower of his late sister, Verdia Mae Keen. He never met a stranger in his entire life; and he will be missed by many treasured friends. He was also preceded in death by his brothers, James Edward Regar, Robert (Wayne) Regar, Clayton Thomas Regar; half-brother, Billy T. Regar; and half-sister, Charlotte Guyton.

His is survived by a sister, Jimmie Sue (Kay) Smith, of Hueytown, Alabama. There are numerous nieces and nephews; great nieces and nephews whom he loved and treasured. Special thanks to his niece, Wendy Keen; and great-niece, Krissy Keen; and others who took loving care of him through his long illness.

Funeral services were held at Archer-Milton Funeral Home, Lake Butler on Wednesday, March 16. Interment followed at Douglass Cemetery.

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Tana Sellers

KINGSLEY LAKE Tana Lee Sellers, 78, of Kingsley Lake passed away Sunday, March 13, 2022 at her home. she was born on June 6, 1943 in Morenci, Arizona to the late Clifford W. and Mary L. (Shipley) Hord, and moved to Kingsley Lake in 1988. She was a homemaker, and longtime member of the First Christian Church of Starke. She enjoyed music, was an excellent cook and seamstress, but her greatest joy was spending time with her grandchildren. She will be remembered for the comfort she gave everyone she met.

Survivors are her husband of 48 years, Herbert S. Sellers III, "Herb" of Kingsley Lake; children, Todd A. (Kendall) Sellers of Kingsley Lake, Hope (Mark) Smith of Kingsley Lake, and Therese (Jim) Schurevich of Ocala. Also left are grandchildren, Amanda, Travis, Dustin, Lauren, Katie, Emily, Samuel and Annabelle; along with five great-grandchildren.

Services were held at the First Christian Church of Starke on Wednesday, March 16. Interment followed at Kingsley Lake Baptist Church Cemetery with Reverend Tom Moore officiating all services.

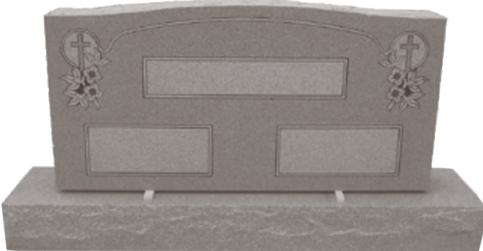
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Julia Stewart



RAIFORD Julia Chambers Stewart, 60, of Raiford passed away unexpectedly Thursday, March 10, 2022. She was born Sept. 15, 1961, in Jacksonville to Joyce and Bill Chambers. She graduated from Bradford County High School in 1979 and received receive an AA degree from Santa Fe Community College before transferring to the University of Florida to pursue her law degree when she met the love of her life. They were married on July 26, 1982 in Folkston, Georgia. After starting a family, she began what turned into a 21-year career at Union Correctional Institution, retiring in 2007. She enjoyed her retirement by spending as much time as possible with her husband, children, and, the lights of her life, her grandbabies. She was preceded in death by her father, Bill Chambers.

She is survived by her husband of nearly 40 years, Mitchell Stewart of Raiford; mother, Joyce Chambers of Lake Butler; two brothers, Wayne (Suzanne) Chambers of Cross City and Greg (Marilyn) Chambers of Lake Butler; a sister, Lori Johns of Lake Butler; two daughters, Michelle (Malcom) Lopez of Taft, Texas and Jessy (Jimmy) Crowe of Raiford; nine grandchildren, Jordan, Hayleigh, Xander, Connor, and Ashton Williams, Hayden Rollins, Shyla, Layla, and Leigha Crowe; a bonus grandson Tyrus Cook; dozens of nieces, nephews, cousins, and her beloved fur baby, Alexis.

A Celebration of Life will be held Friday, March 18, at the Raiford Community Center. The family will begin receiving friends and loved ones at 5:30 p.m. with the service beginning at 6 p.m.

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Linda Thompson



KEYSTONE HEIGHTS Linda S. Thompson, 65, of Keystone Heights, passed away in Palatka on Saturday, March 12, 2022 following a short illness. She was born Jan. 22, 1957, in Vicksburg, Mississippi to Luciene Smith and Betty (Card) Bethune. She retired as a drug and alcohol counselor before making Keystone Heights her home many years ago. She had been a longtime and very active member of the AmVets Post 86, American Legion Post 202, and V.F.W. in Keystone Heights.

She enjoyed riding motorcycles, and being with her family and friends. She had earned her cosmetologist license, and loved hummingbirds. She was known for embracing life and living it to the fullest. In addition to her parents; she was preceded in death by her daughter, Reonna Thompson; brother, Wilburn Smith; and sister, Peggy Lara.

She leaves behind her son, James William Young; daughter, Keisha Michelle Young; siblings, Brenda Rabbitt, Birtie Carter, and Charles Bruce Smith. She was lovingly called "Grandma Linda" by Jewleonna Thompson, Arthur Young, John Holt, Emily Jones, Noah Barnett, Nicholas Suggs, and Cassidy Suggs. Also left behind are numerous nieces; nephews; extended family members; and a marvelous group of close friends that she loved dearly.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m., on Saturday, March 19, at Jones-Gallagher Funeral Home, Keystone Heights. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made to your local AmVets post in her memory. Arrangements are by Jones-Gallagher Funeral Home, 340 E. Walker Drive, Keystone Heights. 352-473-3176. www.jonesgallagherfh.com
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Heather Withrow



HEATHER ELIZABETH WITHROW (WHITLOCK), 39, of Jacksonville, Florida, passed away March 8, 2022, at UF Health in Jacksonville. She was born June 11, 1982, in Jacksonville to William Whitlock and Elizabeth Whitlock. Some of her hobbies included: shopping, being pampered, scrapping (if you know you know), and, as we all know, eating. Most of all she loved spending time with her family and friends. She had the biggest heart; she was truly one of a kind. She had a fun-loving spirit, and she was always quick to help others. She had a laugh like no other and was quick to make others laugh at her own clumsiness. Preceding her in death were her sister, Jennifer Whitlock; maternal grandfather, Sherrill Duckworth; maternal grandmother, Evelena Goestenors; maternal aunt, Brenda; paternal grandfather, William Whitlock Sr; paternal grandmother, Carol Hansell; uncles, Michael Whitlock and Stephen Whitlock; and cousin, Craig Stroble.

She is survived by her parents, William Whitlock Jr. and Elizabeth Whitlock; stepfather, JC Young; grandfather, John Goestenors; son, Jamie Leonard Jr; daughter, Alayna Leonard; husband, Donald Withrow; maternal aunts, Patricia (Geff) Mathis, Cherrill (Bruce) Hartsfield; maternal uncles, David (Pam) Rogers, John (Christy) Goestenors Jr.; paternal aunts Karen Stroble, Amy (Dave) Allacy; cousins, Bo, Jessica, Ashley, Amber, Katie, Cody, Michael, Jonathan, Kayla, Ryan, Hope, Jay, Christopher, William, Victoria, Stephanie, Tiffany, and Brandon.

A service will be held at 1 p.m. on Friday, March 18, at Archer-Milton Funeral Home, Lake Butler, officiated by Pastor Tim Rose. The family will receive friends for a visitation beginning at 12:30 p.m.

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Walker Thompson, Ansley Ward and Tucker Dortch exhibited the top steers, while Adeleigh Wainwright and Kate Wainwright exhibited the top heifers at the Bradford Agricultural Fair's steer and breed shows, which were held March 9 and March 10, respectively.

Thompson and Ward received the grand championship and reserve grand championship, respectively, in the steer show. Ward's animal also received homegrown grand champion, while Dortch exhibited the homegrown reserve grand champion and third-place overall award.

Jordan Hamilton and Reese Wainwright earned fourth- and fifth-place overall awards, respectively, for their steers.

Adeleigh Wainwright received the grand championship and homegrown grand champion at the breed show, while Kate Wainwright received the reserve grand championship and the homegrown reserve grand champion.

The third-, fourth- and fifth-place overall heifers, respectively, were exhibited by Regan Broome, Thompson and Ward.

Overall performance, showmanship

The Zedra Hamilton family sponsored the two overall-performance awards, with Ward earning the steer award and Adeleigh Wainwright earning the breed award.

In the steer showmanship contest, Reese Wainwright placed first in the senior division, followed by Thompson and Chase Roberts. Shayna Durrance placed first in the intermediate division, followed by Bailey Varnes and Maddison Lee. Ward and Tripp Connell placed first and second, respectively, in the junior division.

In breed showmanship,



Adeleigh Wainwright exhibited the grand champion and homegrown grand champion in the breed show. Photos by Cliff Smelley.



Walker Thompson exhibited the grand champion steer, which sold for \$10,384.

Roberts placed first in the senior division, followed by Reese Wainwright and Thompson. Kate Wainwright placed first in the intermediate division, followed by Koy Hartley and Jacee Box. In the junior division, Ward placed first, followed by Adeleigh Wainwright and Weston Thompson.

A Workhorse Award was also presented to Connell for going above and beyond in regard to work in the barn and being a good citizen.

Weight-gain, record-book and herdsman

Garrison Ritch earned first place for steer weight gain, followed by Allie Salanci and Karlie Hardee.

Shyann Clemons and Broome placed first and second, respectively, in the senior division of 4-H steer record book. In the intermediate division, Durrance and Hailey Griffis were first

and second, respectively. Ward was first in the junior division, followed by Halen McKinney.

On the breed side, Broome placed first in senior 4-H record book, while Durrance and Box were first and second, respectively, in the intermediate division. Weston Thompson placed first in the junior division, while Adeleigh Wainwright was second.

Walker Thompson and Hailey Griffis were first and second, respectively. See AWARDS, page 12

28 steers sell for \$198K-plus at Bradford Fair

The March 11 Bradford-Union Cattle and Swine Youth Sale at the Bradford Agricultural Fair consisted of 28 steers that brought an average ring price of \$7,105.92 and totaled \$198,965.75 without add-ons.

The resell value was \$1.55 per pound.

Walker Thompson exhibited the grand champion steer. The 1,298-pound animal sold for \$10,384 (\$8 per pound) to Ray's Metal Works, A&D Recoery, Keystone RV Rental, Anderson-Columbia and Beard Equipment.

Ansley Ward exhibited the reserve grand champion, which was also the homegrown grand champion. The 1,330-pound animal sold for \$11,305 (\$8.50 per pound) to Chad Ward Timber, Williams Gas, C&S Site Prep, Teal Tile, A&D Recovery and Chad Ward Enterprises.

The homegrown reserve grand champion was exhibited by Tucker Dortch. The 1,247-pound animal sold for \$4,988 (\$4 per pound). The buyers weren't listed

in the results that were provided to the Telegraph-Times-Monitor.

The remaining sale results (exhibitor, weight of animal, price per pound, total sale price and buyers, if provided) were as follows: Jordan Hamilton, 1,319, \$6, \$7,914, Ward Timber, Suburban Cleaners; Reese Wainwright, 1,272, \$6, \$7,632, Suburban Cleaners, Sunshine 2 Energy, Hamilton Custom Services, Teal Tile, Ward Timber, C&S Site Prep; Maddison Lee, 1,126, \$4, \$4,504; Eli Rimes, 1,198, \$6, \$7,188, Teal Tile, Travis Worrell, Thomas Hardware, Swift Creek Realty, Williams Gas, EC Farms;

Case Clemons, 1,417, \$7, \$9,919, Payton Thompson, JMJ Outdoors, Michael Hardee Timber, Michael Moore Construction, Pipeline; Garrison Ritch, 1,576, \$5.25, \$8,274; Chase Roberts, 1,056, \$6, \$6,336, Teal Tile, Clemons Field Services, DC Cattle, Quality Plumbing, Hamilton Environmental, C&S Site

Prep; Huck Alvarez, 1,201, \$5, \$6,005, Outlaw Cattle, Pritchett Trucking, Brad Thomas, Stable Foundations; Bailey Varnes, 1,280, \$6, \$7,680, Pritchett Trucking, Hamilton Custom Services, Nextran;

Karlie Hardee, 1,458, \$6.75, \$9,841.50, Jackson Building Supply, Thompson Garage, Teal Tile, Michael Moore Construction, C&S Site Prep; Regan Broome, 1,085, \$5, \$5,425, Clemons Field Service, Sheffield Pest Control, Pritchett Trucking, Culligan Water (Don Fitzgerald); Bradford FFA (exhibited by Kyndall Key), 1,142, \$8, \$9,136, North Florida Technical College, Wayne Barfield, Paul Stressing, Will Hartley, Bradford School Board, Suburban Cleaners; Riggs Davis, 1,264, \$7.75, \$9,796, Roberts Land and Timber;

Shyann Clemons, 1,288, \$7, \$9,016, Clemons Field Services, Michael Moore Construction, Pipeline, C&S

Site Prep, Hamilton Custom Services; Tenly Hardee, 1,312, \$7, \$9,184, Jackson Building Supply, Thompson Garage, Michael Moore Construction, Teal Tile, C&S Site Prep, Michael Hardee Timber; Shayna Durrance, 1,446, \$5, \$7,230, DM Stratton; Landon Cason, 1,125, \$4.25, \$4,781.25, DM Stratton; Allie Salanci, 1,138, \$4, \$4,552; Tanner Connell, 1,222, \$5.50, \$6,721; Tripp Connell, 1,281, \$5.50, \$7,045.50, Ward Timber; Clayton Cason, 1,119, \$4, \$4,476; Raylen McKinney, 1,186, \$5, \$5,930, Sunshine 2 Energy, Hamilton Environmental; Hailey Griffis, 1,226, \$5, \$6,130, Ward Timber, Clemons Field Services, Carlton Construction, Serenity Enterprises; Dalton Griffis, 1,117, \$5, \$5,585, Teal Tile, Clemons Field Services, Serenity Enterprises, Falstreux Heating and Air, Quality Plumbing; and Madison Jackson, 1,213, \$4, \$4,852.

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Steer-sheriff smooch

Who's the winner of this Bradford High School FFA contest in which Rufus, the chapter steer, was kissed by Bradford County Sheriff Gordon Smith before heading off to the Bradford Agricultural Fair? Bradford County Animal Services, which will receive \$481.02. FFA student Kyndall Key came up with the idea for the fundraiser, in which people, through spare change placed in jars, voted for who they wanted to see kiss a cow: Smith, Superintendent of Schools Will Hartley, North Florida Technical College Director Brad Bishop, BHS Principal Angela Ward or Bradford Middle School Principal Danielle Rosson. It proved to be successful, surpassing the goal of raising \$200. Rufus was reported to be moooo-ved by the experience, while Smith is exercising his right to remain silent. Photo by Cliff Smelley.



Ansley Ward's reserve grand champion/homegrown grand champion steer sold for \$11,305.

AWARDS

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Hamilton were first and second, respectively, in high school FFA steer record book, while Landon Cason and Varnes were first and second, respectively, at the middle school level.

In high school FFA breed record book, Walker Thompson earned both the first- and second-place awards. Hartley was first at the middle school level, while Addison Wright was second.

Walker Thompson received the first-place senior herdsman award, with Hamilton and Reese Wainwright placing second and third, respectively. At the intermediate level, it was Durrance in first, followed by Hartley and Kate Wainwright, while at the junior level, Ward placed first, followed by Weston Thompson and Adaleigh Wainwright.

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Bradford baseball team settles for tie

BY CLIFF SMELLEY
Telegraph Staff Writer

Bradford High School's baseball team came close to getting its first win, but host Branford scored three runs in the bottom of the seventh to force extra innings in a game that eventually ended in an 8-8 tie after 11 innings on March 8.

The Tornadoes (0-5-1) scored the game's first two runs on a C.J. McKinney double. McKinney later hit a run-scoring single as part of a three-run fifth that put Bradford ahead 5-1. Dalton Griffis hit a run-scoring double as part of that inning, which also saw Mattox Burgin walk and later score on a passed ball.

It was 5-2 entering the bottom of the seventh. A batter that was hit by a pitch would score on a single, while Branford also scored runs on an error and a

bases-loaded walk to tie it up at 5-5.

Bradford scored three runs in the ninth. Carson Knight drew a walk, followed by Jonathan Brugh reaching on an error. Burgin walked to load the bases before Foster Smith was hit by a pitch, forcing a run in. The Tornadoes then scored two runs when the Bucs committed an error on a ground ball hit by Griffis.

The Bucs answered with three runs of their own in the bottom of the ninth, scoring two runs on passed balls and another on a single.

McKinney finished 3 for 6, while Smith went 2 for 4.

Bradford will host Fort White on Thursday, March 17, at 6 p.m. The Tornadoes host Hamilton County on Wednesday, March 23, at 6 p.m.



ABOVE: Kate Wainwright exhibited the reserve grand champion/homegrown reserve grand champion heifer. LEFT: Tucker Dortch's homegrown reserve grand champion steer sold for \$4,988.



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UCHS softball team beats Newberry 15-0, still undefeated

BY CLIFF SMELLEY
Telegraph Staff Writer

Leah Clark and Angela Tucker each drove in three runs as the Union County High School softball team remained undefeated with a 15-0, three-inning win over host Newberry on March 14.

The Tigers (7-0) scored all the runs they'd need in a seven-run first inning. Maggie Thomas hit a two-run single, while Tucker and Hailey Rivera were both hit by pitches with the bases loaded. Tamia Young drew a bases-loaded walk, while another two runs scored on an error.

Clark stepped to bat in the second with the bases loaded and hit a double that scored all three runners. Rivera and Tucker each had an RBI single in the second as well.

Union scored three in the third inning, with Tucker (who was 2 for 2) and Young each hitting run-scoring singles, while

Mackenzie Radford scored on a steal of home.

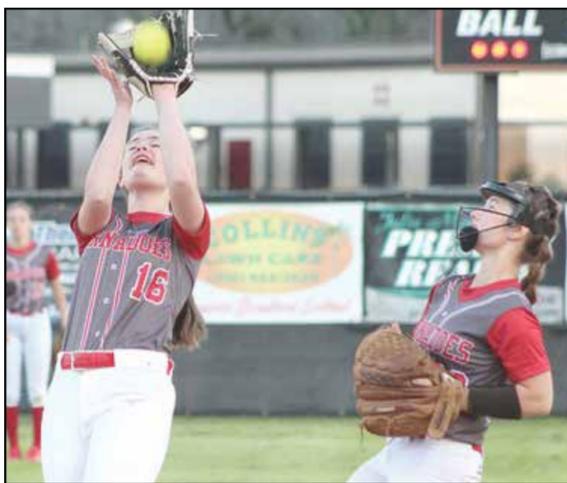
Pitchers Shyla Crowe and Lily Neal combined to give up just four hits.

On March 8, Tucker hit a two-run double as part of a three-run sixth inning to help the Tigers defeat host Santa Fe 4-2 on March 8.

It was a scoreless game entering the sixth when Hayley Burke and MacKenzie Orton reached on a single and a walk, respectively. Both scored on the hit by Tucker, who would come around and score later on a single by Young.

Burke, who went 2 for 4, hit a run-scoring triple in the seventh. Megan Sullivan pitched a complete game, giving up four hits and striking out eight.

Union travels for 7 p.m. games against Williston on Thursday, March 17, and Buchholz on Friday, March 18.



Second baseman Amber Wynn (left) catches a pop-up as first baseman Cassidy Spratlin looks on in Bradford's 9-6 loss to Columbia on March 14. Photos by Cliff Smelley.

BHS softball team falls behind 8-1, loses 9-6 to visiting Columbia

BY CLIFF SMELLEY
Telegraph Staff Writer

A four-run fourth inning helped the Bradford High School softball team cut into an 8-1 deficit, but the Tornados couldn't overtake visiting Columbia in the end, losing 9-6 on March 14.

Columbia scored four runs in the top of the first. The Tigers hit four consecutive singles, with the fourth plating a run. Two runs were forced in on a walk with the bases loaded and a hit batter with the bases loaded. An error allowed Columbia to score its fourth run.

The Tigers led 6-1 before scoring two runs on a double in the fourth.

Bradford (5-2) made it a three-run game in the bottom of the fourth. Takeirra Bakken hit a home run to lead off the inning. Allie Funderburk and Macey Padgett hit back-to-back singles before Cassidy Spratlin walked to load the bases. Amber Wynn hit a single to score two runs and later scored herself on a passed ball.

Bakken was hit by a pitch to lead off the Tornados' half of the fifth. She advanced to third on a ground out by Funderburk before scoring on a ground out by Padgett. Bradford put two runners on when Spratlin singled and Wynn was hit by a pitch, but a strikeout ended the inning.

Columbia added the game's final run on a bases-loaded walk in the sixth.



Catcher Macey Padgett looks for an opportunity to throw a base runner out.

The Tornados loaded the bases in the bottom of the sixth, but failed to score. Hannah McFarland reached on a fielder's choice, followed by Taylor Reddish reaching on a single. Funderburk hit a two-out single before a strikeout ended the inning.

Wynn drew a one-out walk in the bottom of the seventh, but Summer Sutton lined out to first baseman Kimber Long, who, with Wynn taking off toward second, stepped on the bag to end the game on a double play.

Wynn finished with two RBI, while Bakken, Padgett and Reddish each had one.

Funderburk was the only batter with more than one hit, going 2 for 3.

The Tornados will travel to play Bishop Snyder on Friday, March 18, at 6 p.m.

Tigers score late, beat University 11-2

BY CLIFF SMELLEY
Telegraph Staff Writer

Union County High School's baseball team plated nine runs in the fifth and sixth innings, defeating visiting University Christian 11-2 on March 14.

University took a 2-1 lead with a run in the top of the fifth, but the Tigers answered with four runs in the bottom of the inning. Quinten Rawls and Jake O'Steen hit back-to-back singles to lead off the inning, while Jay Cohen was intentionally walked. Tre'von Lee singled to score two runs and give Union the lead for good. Cohen later scored on a steal of home, while Lee would come around to score on an error.

The Tigers put two on in the sixth, with Jake Walker walking and O'Steen hitting a single. Both scored on a Cohen single. The bases were loaded after a Lee single and a walk given up to Ayden Elixson. Eli Rimes was

hit by a pitch to force a run in. Trevor Holtzendorf then hit a two-run single to end the scoring.

Cohen finished with three RBI, while Holtzendorf and Lee (who went 3 for 4) each had two. Rimes had one RBI, while O'Steen went 2 for 4.

Starting pitcher Luke Johns gave up two runs (one earned) on three hits through 4.2 innings. He had seven strikeouts.

Walker finished the game off on the mound, giving up one hit and striking out five.

The Tigers will travel to play Suwannee on Thursday, March 17, at 7 p.m. Union then travels to play in a tournament in Viera Monday through Wednesday, March 21-23, at USSSA Space Coast Complex. The Tigers play Coral Springs at 4 p.m. on March 21 and Green Farms Academy at 4:30 p.m. on March 22. The March 23 games are to be determined.

Indians score 25 runs in win over Blue Wave

BY CLIFF SMELLEY
Telegraph Staff Writer

Keystone Heights pushed 12 runs across in the first inning and had no trouble with a P.K. Yonge team that committed 12 errors, defeating the host Blue Wave 25-1 in three innings on March 8.

Pitcher Kadance Massey went the distance in the mercy rule-shortened game, giving up one hit and striking out four.

Kiley Channell hit singles in two at-bats in the first inning, driving in a total of three runs. Alaina Kinsal drove in two runs, while Amberlea Wagner drove in one on a double. The following each hit a one-run single in the inning: Kinley Carlton, Abbie Roach and Emma Rogel. The Indians also scored a run on an error.

Keystone (3-5) got run-scoring singles from Channell, Massey, Roach and Wagner as part of a

six-run second inning. Carlton also drove in a run, while an error allowed another run to score.

Channell, who went 4 for 4 with six RBI, singled in two runs as part of a seven-run third. Massey and Rogel each hit an RBI single, while Roach drew a bases-loaded walk. Kaitlin Brown and Caitlin Frampton each drove in a run as well.

Roach went 4 for 4 with three RBI, while Rogel was 3 for 5 with two RBI. Massey finished 2 for 2 with two RBI, while Wagner (who had two RBI) and Jaiden Robinson each went 2 for 3.

Kinsal had two RBI, while Brown, Carlton and Frampton each had one.

The Indians travel to play Oakleaf on Tuesday, March 22, at 7 p.m. They then travel to play Clay on Friday, March 25, at 7 p.m.

Miller hit gives KHHS baseball team 4-3 win

BY CLIFF SMELLEY
Telegraph Staff Writer

Jeremy Miller hit a walk-off double in the bottom of the seventh to give the Keystone Heights High School baseball team a 4-3 win over visiting Fort White on March 8.

The Indians (3-4) fell behind 2-0, but cut into the lead by a run when Noah Branch, who walked, scored on an Alex Addington double in the fifth.

Fort White scored on an error to go up 3-1 in the top of the sixth, but the Indians scored a run in the bottom half of the inning, with Dalton Hollingsworth hitting a single and scoring on a double by Ryan Jones, who finished the game 2 for 3.

Keystone led off its half of the seventh with Chase Packham getting hit by a pitch and Cole Cumbus walking. Packham and Walker West, who entered to run for Cumbus, both advanced on Branch's sacrifice bunt. After Addington was intentionally walked, Packham scored on an

error to tie it up. Miller then doubled to score West.

The Indians host Santa Fe on Wednesday, March 23, at 7 p.m. before playing two straight road games against Baldwin on Thursday, March 24, at 7 p.m., and Palatka on Friday, March 25, at 7 p.m. Keystone then hosts Union County on Tuesday, March 29, at 7 p.m.

Happy birthday, Henry Hodges! From: Me



LEFT: Takeirra Bakken hit a solo home run and has now gone deep five times this season. BELOW: Left fielder Makayla Moore, with center fielder Hannah McFarland (right) looking on, prepares to throw the ball back into the infield.



State creates new football classifications

BY CLIFF SMELLEY
Telegraph Staff Writer

The Florida High School Athletic Association released its new football assignments after its board of directors voted in February to create metro and suburban classifications to join the already existing rural classification.

Bradford and Keystone Heights are members of Class 2 Suburban and have been placed in District 6 with Interlachen, Palatka and Toco Creek.

Class 2S consists of schools with a student population range of 601-1,445 placed into 16 districts. The champion of each district (based upon head-to-head, regular-season play) automatically qualifies for the playoffs. A power-ranking system will be employed to determine two at-large teams from each of the four regions.

The district that Bradford and Keystone are in is part of Region 2, which also consists District 5 teams Baker County, Fernandina Beach, West Nassau and Yulee,

District 7 teams Eastside, Newberry, North Marion and Santa Fe, and District 8 teams Atlantic, Crescent City, Lake Weir and Pierson Taylor.

Union County is still in the rural classification, which, as it has been in the past, doesn't consist of districts. Playoff teams in each of the four regions are determined by a power-ranking system.

The Tigers are in Region 3, which also consists of Bell, Branford, Fort White, Hamilton County, Hilliard, Lafayette and Madison County.

The rural classification is made up of schools with student populations of 600 or less.

On Feb. 28, the FHSAA board voted 9-7 in favor of creating the new metro and suburban classifications based upon the population density of each county. Schools in the eight most densely populated counties (Broward, Dade, Duval, Hillsborough, Orange, Palm Beach, Pinellas and Seminole) make up the metro classifications.

KHHS boys hoops team is near top in Class 4A academics

BY CLIFF SMELLEY
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The Florida High School Athletic Association announced its Academic Team Champions in winter sports, with the Keystone Heights High School boys basketball team ranking third among Class 4A teams.

Any school that competes in FHSAA-sanctioned sports and has an average team GPA of at least 3.0 (unweighted) is eligible for nomination.

Keystone's boys basketball team had a cumulative GPA

of 3.432 to place behind Fort Lauderdale's Pine Crest (3.738) and Yulee (3.461).

Four additional Keystone teams placed in the top 20 in their respective sports and classifications. The girls basketball team was 12th in 4A with a team GPA of 3.466, the boys soccer team 12th in 3A with a GPA of 3.524, the girls wrestling team 17th in 1A (the sport's only classification) with a GPA of 3.495 and the girls soccer team 19th in 3A with a GPA of 3.532.

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Championship celebration



RIGHT: Cheerleaders Santee Blye and Skyla Buonacore (background) get the crowd fired up. FAR RIGHT: Head Boys Basketball Coach Sampson Jackson cuts down the last of the net to celebrate the state championship.



Bradford High School hosted a pep rally on March 11 to celebrate its state-champion girls weightlifting and boys basketball teams, while also giving the JROTC cadets, who've accomplished great success recently, to perform some of their drill routines. ABOVE: Basketball player Shayne Davis (far right) signs a team photo for Cindy and Steve Futch. Photos by Cliff Smelley.



ABOVE LEFT: Master of ceremonies David Rodgers (center) interviews weightlifters Hannah McFarland (far left) and Mahailya Reeves. ABOVE RIGHT: Weightlifter Brianna Jordan autographs a cap.



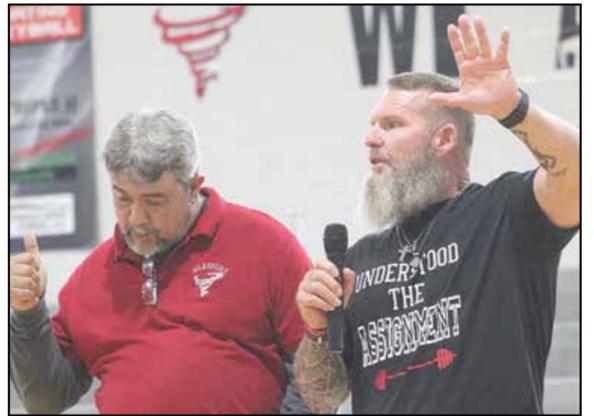
Basketball player Dae'Jon Shanks (left) acknowledges the crowd, with Head Coach Sampson Jackson enjoying the moment.



ABOVE LEFT: JROTC Cadet Madison Miller performs an individual routine. ABOVE RIGHT: Nathaniel Woodcock (front), with fellow cadets (l-r) Leilani Santos-Pulu, Brianna Isaacs, Kailyn Gaudette and Lysa Anne McKenzie behind him.



Weightlifter Gabby Oliver (right) autographs a photo for Harriet Hamm.



ABOVE LEFT: Assistant basketball coaches Justin McBride (left) and Tarrin Jackson love hearing it said aloud once again — the Tornadoes are this year's Class 1A state champs. ABOVE RIGHT: Weightlifting Head Coach Bryan Griffins (right) gets a thumbs-up from David Rodgers as he talks about his team's reliance upon God and especially Philippians 4:13 in everything they do.



They couldn't cut the nets at the RP Funding Center in Lakeland, but it still felt good to do it in the BHS gym a week after winning the title. Basketball players Chail Cummings (left) and Amari Jones take their turns with the scissors, which Jones prepares to hand to a teammate.



ABOVE LEFT: Weightlifter Mikayla Cooper signs a commemorative weight. ABOVE CENTER: Weightlifters (l-r) Gabby Oliver, Mahailya Reeves and Courtney Comer enjoy themselves during introductions. ABOVE RIGHT: Basketball player Hunter Crawford (right) is interviewed by David Rodgers.

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Weightlifter Takeirra Bakken (left) and basketball player Tez Williams sign away.

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