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## Finger lickin' fraud — KFC worker arrested

BY DAN HILDEBRAN  
Monitor Editor

STARKE —Bradford deputies arrested a 19-year-old KFC employee after accusing her of taking pictures of customer credit cards, then using the photos to make fraudulent purchases.

Marquerva Tytianna Latoré Lumar of Starke was arrested for fraud and illegal use of credit cards.

According to an arrest report, deputies started their investigation after a victim showed officers a \$342.40 charge to Dynasty Boutique he did not make.



Lumar

“(The victim) contacted VyStar Credit Union Services to inform them of the transaction,” wrote a deputy in the report. “(The victim) was informed by VyStar that his account was already on hold due to an additional suspicious transaction of \$165 at the online apparel store of Ralph Lauren.”

Dynasty Boutique, a Newberry Road retailer in Gainesville provided Bradford Sheriff’s Detective Jason Crews with a copy of the defendant’s driver license.

Crews wrote that after Lumar was arrested on an unrelated Alachua County warrant, he

interviewed the defendant at the sheriff’s office.

“Lumar confessed to working at KFC in Starke, Florida and taking multiple pictures and videos of customers’ credit cards while working the drive-thru,” Crews wrote. “Lumar stated that she only took a picture of a few cards but only tried two of the cards for online purchases.”

Crews added that Lumar claimed she attempted to buy a necklace from a company on Instagram, clothes from Ralph Lauren and hair supplies from Dynasty Boutique.



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## WORTH NOTING

### Three graduations, one night

Three high schools, three graduation ceremonies, one night.

It could be an unprecedented occurrence, but seniors from Bradford and Union counties and Keystone Heights will all take their big walk on Friday night, May 20.

Bradford High School’s ceremony will begin at David Hurse Stadium at 8 p.m. The ceremony will be postponed to a later time if it rains, with the possibility of moving it to Saturday morning.

Union County High School’s Ceremony will also be on their football field beginning at 8 p.m. The ceremony will be moved indoors and accommodate a smaller crowd in the event it rains.

Finally, Keystone Heights High School’s calendar also points to an 8 p.m. graduation ceremony on May 20 at the school’s football stadium.

Graduation sections of the Bradford County Telegraph, Union County Times and Lake Region Monitor will be published inside the weekly editions on Thursday, May 19.

### Drive-thru food distribution

Starke Church of God by Faith at 730 Old Lawtrey Road will hold a drive-thru food distribution on Thursday, May 19, from 10 a.m. to noon.

### Upcoming food distribution

A communitywide food distribution hosted by Farm Share and True Vine Ministry will take place Tuesday, May 24, at 10 a.m. at True Vine Outreach Ministry 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.

### Students win creative art contest

Students from Keystone Heights Junior-Senior High School entered projects into the Youth Creative Art Contest at the Clay County Fair. Rylee Dixon, Aliyah Bernier, Talon Lybarger, Chase Anthony, Romeo Luna, Chason McKittrick and Elias Feagle brought back ribbons and prize money for their entries. Students entered decorated pencil blocks, string art in the shape of flowers, a marker painted t-shirt and painted pictures. Assistant Principal Tanza Connelly presented the students their ribbons and prize money. Reporting and photo by Sarah Crawford, Keystone Heights High School.



## Affordable housing faces obstacle to approval

BY MARK J. CRAWFORD  
Telegraph Editor

STARKE — Differing interpretations of the city’s building codes is stalling a proposed housing development in Starke and potentially endangering its funding.

Christopher Crowder introduced himself to the commission May 3 as chairman of the board of Sandcastles Foundation in Melbourne, Florida — a nonprofit that builds affordable and workforce housing.

The foundation has successfully applied for \$6 million in funding from the Florida Housing Finance Corporation to construct a housing development on Westmoreland Road behind the schools. These are federal dollars distributed by the state.

Guidelines for the program include paying prevailing wages to subcontractors, and Crowder said they like to use local subcontractors and create jobs.

The plan is to build 25 single-family homes with similar site plans

to provide affordable housing. The four-bedroom, two-bath homes would also have an oversized garage.

Because Sandcastles is a nonprofit, Crowder said the \$6 million received comes as a non-amortizing, 0% interest loan that will be forgiven if they maintain the property in accordance with the guidelines for a period of 20 years. Beyond that, they must agree to maintain it for an additional 30 years.

“So, for all intents and purposes, this will be 50 years that our organization will own these homes and rent them out as affordable housing,” he said.

Based on the latest data, their target market would be households making \$36,000 to \$40,000 a year.

“A lot of times that’s starting teacher salaries, those are starting police officer salaries. And so, a lot of the folks that you can kind of benefit from this housing will be the people that run the communities that we’re in,” Crowder said.

In addition to the housing, they will maintain the private road and a housing office. The office will host

adult and financial literacy programs for their residents.

“We believe that those programs are essential to families, especially to financial management,” said Crowder, who is a bankruptcy attorney by profession. “That’s sort of what led me to this is that I file bankruptcies every day for families, and a lot of them is because they can’t afford the housing that they live in.”

While his nonprofit didn’t find opportunities in his own community, they have found opportunities around the state.

“Our study found that there was a high need in this community for it, and Starke is actually a lot like a town that I grew up next to,” he said. “Leavenworth, Kansas, is very similar to Starke in many ways, similar downtown, also home to a correctional facility. Actually 14 correctional facilities. But it just reminded me of where I grew up, so I was happy to come in here and do this.”

Whether he will be able to do this remains to be seen. While initially

Sandcastle received positive feedback from a former manager and city staff, Crowder said he is now being told by the city attorney they would have to subdivide the land to build 25 homes.

Ultimately, it’s up to the commission to decide, Crowder said.

He explained Sandcastles is not opposed to subdividing or rezoning the property, but steps could have been taken earlier in the process had they known. Now, however, they are running into deadlines.

They began work on the development last July and hoped to have approval from the city’s engineer so they could begin to sitework in November or December. Their plans were delayed but were eventually delivered to the city in late October or early November. Then they were lost in staff turnovers. Once they were finally sent to the city engineer, they were held up another six weeks.

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Judge Tatum Davis and his wife, Allison Moredock Davis.

## Judge Davis retains bench

Bradford County Judge Tatum Davis was unopposed and may remain on the bench for six more years.

Davis was elected in 2016, with his investiture following on March 3, 2017.

"I'm humbled and blessed beyond measure in the confidence Bradford County has placed in me. Thank you all again from the bottom of my heart for this tremendous honor," he wrote on Facebook.

In addition to all county court matters, Judge Davis county mental health court and shelter matters. His judicial assistant is April Mitola.

Additional assignments in the 8th Judicial Circuit include Bradford County:

- Conference of County Court Judges, The Courier, Editor.
- Conference of County Court Judges 8th Judicial Circuit Representative (2018-2019).
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Prior to working as an attorney, Judge Davis received his bachelor's degree in political science from the University of Florida and his Juris Doctor from the Cumberland School of Law at Samford University.

After graduating from law school, Davis was a law clerk for Circuit Judge J. Tom King Jr. in Birmingham, Alabama. He was also a civil litigation attorney at Hand Arendall LLC Law Firm in Birmingham before he returned home to Bradford County.

Upon his return, Davis was the sole practitioner at D. Tatum Davis, Attorney at Law, and served as in-house counsel for Tatum Brothers Lumber Company.

Judge Davis and his wife, Allison Moredock Davis, recently celebrated their first anniversary.

# Starke starts rate hike over

BY MARK J. CRAWFORD  
Telegraph Editor

STARKE — Miscommunication forced the city of Starke to restart the process of raising its water and sewer rates.

The ordinance approved on first reading May 3 replaced a previously approved ordinance, substituting a rate structure like the one already in place.

The structure proposed by City Manager Drew Mullins would have replaced base rate and consumption charge for residential customers, charging those consuming less than 2,000 gallons a month a flat fee of \$20.84. For each additional 1,000 gallons used, the customer would pay \$6. The wastewater charge would be calculated at 150% of the water charge.

Those using 2,000 gallons a month or less — which represents most of the city's customers — were projected to save money. At the same time, those who used more would pay more.

Mullins explained to the commission that the replacement ordinance simply raises rates 20% across the board.

According to City Clerk Jimmy Crosby there was

a conflict entering the new methodology into the billing system. When they were trying, they realized it would also raise far more revenue than needed — \$1.7 million — and cause some customers' bills to double.

The target revenue calculation was also off by \$500,000. Starke spent that money on Orange Street utility improvements. It was still showing on the books as a deficit, even though the city had committed pandemic relief funding to cover the costs. The city didn't need the extra money.

"It's kind of like gas prices went up from \$3 to \$5, then we're going to drop it back to \$4. Everybody should feel a little better than they did at \$5," Crosby said.

The substituted rate structure sets the base rate for first tier residential and commercial customers at \$20.84 for water and \$37.55 for sewer. Outside the city limits, the charges are \$31.26 and \$56.33. The base charge increases with meter size for commercial customers, going as high as \$436.50 for water and \$716.28 for sewer (multiply by 1.5 outside the city limits).

The consumption charge is preserved in the substitute ordinance, setting the first

tier at \$0.001068 per gallon for residential customers and \$0.001320 for commercial customers, up to 10,000 gallons. The consumption charge increases for every additional 10,000 gallons used, and customers outside the city limits pay higher rates as well.

The city has raised its water and sewer rates multiple times to make sure the utilities were paying for themselves. The increase proposed now would help the city repay debt from the reconstruction of the wastewater plant.

Crosby said a rush to prove the city could meet its debt obligations contributed to the problems with the previous ordinance. Mullins took responsibility for the miscommunication. Attorney Clay Martin, however, said he had misunderstood Mullins' proposal.

Martin explained that instead of increasing residential bills \$6 for every 1,000 gallons of water used, the ordinance he wrote compounded the charge, so the second tier increased \$6, then \$12 for the third, \$18 for the fourth, etc.

That's what alarmed Crosby, who said he refused to adopt the new rate structure. They

could have lived with Mullins' methodology, but not as interpreted by the attorney, he said.

The rate discussion is not settled. Commissioner Shannon Smith said the desire to modify the tiers to do more to encourage conservation has been talked about for years. The new ordinance charges the same base rate for 1 gallon of water and 10,000 gallons of water — \$20.84 — while using up to 10,000 gallons a month adds just \$10.68 to the bill. (Sewer is more expensive, and costs \$37.55 plus \$37.10 for 10,000 gallons.)

In addition to repaying its loan debt, staff has also encouraged the commission to raise enough funding to cover the cost of future repair and maintenance costs. This will be a part of upcoming budget discussions.

The new ordinance, which will come to the board for second reading May 24, raises the city's placement among other local municipalities. Starke will charge residents \$24.05 for 3,000 gallons of water, compared to \$14.22 in Green Cove Springs, \$15.50 in Lake Butler, \$16 in Lawtey, \$23.32 in Orange Park, \$29.84 in Lake City and \$39.02 in Hampton.

## Several departments survive budget cuts

BY MARK J. CRAWFORD  
Telegraph Editor

STARKE — Bradford County commissioners found there wasn't much room for spending cuts in some of its smaller departments.

The building and zoning departments are meant to be self-sufficient, for example, paid for by fees for service. Community development's work is grant funded, including the administrative work

performed by the department's two employees. The cost of the veterans service officer is shared with Union County, and the UF/IFAS Agricultural Extension receives 60% of its funding from the University of Florida.

There was one question the commission did have to answer for the extension office, and that was whether to postpone hiring a replacement horticulture agent.

Previously, the county tried delaying the replacement of a livestock agent in order to save money, but found there was a greater need than anticipated.

The ag office said they are

already fielding calls from growers that they cannot answer without that horticultural expertise. In addition to working individually with farmers, the agent is involved in community service such as working with Master Gardeners on their projects.

Commissioners agreed it would be important to fill the position, so the budget for ag would be around \$238,000 again next year.

Certain numbers within all departments are expected to fluctuate as additional information comes in about the cost of benefits. The county

predicts inflation will increase some costs.

To summarize the other budget requests, the building department was around \$130,200, about \$60,000 less than last year when a new truck was purchased for the director.

Community Development was unchanged at \$847,925.

The Senior Center was unchanged at \$64,866.

Veterans services was unchanged at \$38,138.

Planning and Zoning was unchanged at \$155,462.

The commission's next budget workshop is set for Tuesday, May 17, at 8:30 a.m.

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"As these programs work with the Florida Housing Finance Corporation, they do want to see them moving forward. They want to see us get to shovel-ready states, and if not, we suffer penalties or they can pull the funding," Crowder said, adding they have deadlines coming up in June. They are concerned any additional delays will cost more time than they must get started.

City Attorney Clay Martin advised commissioners not to comment since the matter could be coming before them for a ruling in a quasi-judicial hearing down the road. Martin said Crowder had also threatened litigation, although Crowder denied that, but said he has tried to argue his points as he would in a judicial or quasi-judicial hearing.

According to Martin, the planner the city works with at the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council agrees with the his interpretation of the codes.

"Nobody's disputing the nobility of the cause, but as this is proposed, our code is not being complied with, our land development code," Martin said.

The shortest process would be for the board to meet in a quasi-judicial setting to approve the preliminary subdivision plat, he said.

According to Crowder, it would take approximately two months to prepare the plat for approval, and he is running out of time. He was disappointed when he could not get Martin to speak to his interpretation of the code.

"This is not the proper forum to be arguing legal matters," Martin said.

"This is the problem," Crowder said. "I'm just asking to talk."

In other business, the commission moved its May 17 meeting to May 24 to allow for time to advertise second readings of the redistricting and water and wastewater rate ordinances.

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The following were members of the first-place junior team and second-place senior team at the Union County event: Regan Broome, Shayna Durrance, Auston McKenzie, Jordan Hamilton, Kate Wainwright, Adaleigh Wainwright, Koy Hartley, Ansley Ward, Kaitlyn McKenzie, Payton McKenzie, Kierstyn McKenzie, Natalie Thames, Jackson Thames and Bailey Varnes.



The senior team that placed sixth at state: Auston McKenzie, Regan Broome, Jordan Hamilton, Payton McKenzie and Coach Lizzie Whitehead.



First- and third-place intermediate winners at the Putnam County event: Coach Lizzie Whitehead, Jordan Hamilton, Regan Broome and Jackson Thames. Shayna Durrance and Koy Hartley.



Placing second in senior livestock judging at the Putnam County event: Coach Lizzie Whitehead, Jordan Hamilton, Regan Broome and Jackson Thames.

## Bradford 4-H teams show well in livestock judging

Bradford County 4-H livestock-judging participants concluded a successful season, that saw highlights from shows in Alachua, Bradford, Clay, Putnam and Union counties as well as at the state level.

The senior team ranked as the sixth-highest team at the state event, while also earning first- and second-place finishes at the Bradford event and second-place finishes at the Alachua, Putnam and Union events.

Putnam events, while the junior team placed first at the Union event. UF/IFAS Agriculture and Natural Resources Agent Lizzie Whitehead is proud of all the youth and their accomplishments. She's looking forward to working with them next year.



George Wyatt Folsom was the first-place individual in the intermediate division at the Clay County event.



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Thank you for the trust and confidence in allowing me to serve another term as your county judge.

I remain humbled,  
**Tatum Davis**

## Letters

### Expand the court

Dear Editor:  
This is a scary moment. According to a leaked draft opinion, the Supreme Court is preparing to dismantle abortion rights across America. As a result, twenty-six states could outlaw abortion, including 13 that have passed "trigger" laws to take effect immediately after the Court overturns Roe v. Wade.

the size of the Supreme Court seven times already in our nation's history. A recent poll showed that the majority of Americans support expanding the court again now. It's past time for Congress to get on board with this crucial bill.  
*Arelis Nieves*

of Raiford honors Debbie Bailey, the director of the music education and choral department for the entire school system, who directed him from kindergarten through graduation. She moved tirelessly and enthusiastically from one school to the next helping Josh and the other students better their love for music.

### Praise for music teacher

Dear Editor:  
An article appearing in the May issue of Singing News Magazine spotlights the gratitude of a Union County native for the many hours of music training he received in the Union County school systems. Josh Singletary

Josh said, "I wouldn't be where I am today had it not been for Debbie Bailey." Singing News is the printed voice of Southern gospel music and Josh Singletary is the pianist and plays baritone for the Tribute Quartet.

*Betty H. Bass  
Lake Butler*

But there's a way to fight back, which is why I'm urging Congress to pass the Judiciary Act of 2021. The Judiciary Act would rebalance the Supreme Court by adding four new seats, giving us 13 justices in total. It's just what we need to move away from extremely partisan rulings and restore the legitimacy of the Court — and it's been done before.

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# Lake Region



Heritage Commission members and volunteers (l-r) Mary Lou Hull and Deirdre Murphy hand out roses to mothers during the Heritage Commission's Walking Tour of Historic Homes. Also pictured is volunteer Hayley Gartee (background).

## Heritage Commission sponsors walking tour

BY DAN HILDEBRAN  
Monitor Editor

KEYSTONE HEIGHTS — The Heritage Commission sponsored a walking tour of the city's historic structures on

Saturday May 7. The tour featured 21 homes and businesses, including the former homes of Keystone Heights founder John J. Lawrence and Our Country Day founder G. Raymond Starnes. The tour began at the Keystone

Beach Pavilion and mostly included structures along South Lawrence Boulevard, Magnolia Avenue, Lakeview Drive and Live Oak Avenue.

## Road and airport improvements coming to Lake Region

BY DAN HILDEBRAN  
Monitor Editor

KEYSTONE HEIGHTS — A representative of the North Florida Transportation Organization briefed the Keystone Heights City Council on upcoming road and airport improvements the TPO is likely to approve later this year.

Milton Locklear told council members that the North Florida Transportation Planning Organization approves federal funding for transportation projects in Clay, Duval, Nassau and St. Johns counties.

Locklear added that the local

projects the agency is considering will be reviewed during a virtual public meeting on May 24 and the TPO board will vote on the project list on June 9.

Tentative transportation projects for the Lake Region and surrounding areas are:

— Drainage improvements for State Road 21 from Brooklyn Bay Road to Cargo Way, \$270,650 scheduled for 2022-2023;

— Resurfacing of County Road 215 from County Road 218 in Middleburg to State Road 16 at Camp Blanding, \$4.2 million scheduled for 2022-2023;

— Construction of 11.1 miles of State Road 23 (First Coast Expressway) from State Road 21 (Blanding Boulevard) to State Road 16 between Penny Farms and the Clay County Fairgrounds \$5.8 million scheduled for 2022-2023. (\$264 million has been previously spent on this section of the road);

— Construction of 9.7 miles of State Road 23 (First Coast Expressway) from State Road 16 between Penny Farms and the Clay County Fairgrounds to the St. Johns River, \$2.8 million

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## Nonprofits win Reinhold awards

BY DAN HILDEBRAN  
Monitor Editor

FLEMING ISLAND — Keystone Heights-based Operation Barnabas won the \$7,000 Judges' Choice Program Award while Mission of the Dirt Road and the McRae Elementary Weekend Food Program each won \$2,000 during the Reinhold Foundation's Celebrate Clay Awards on April 26.

Operation Barnabas was founded in 2017 by Lake Region resident and 17-year Marine veteran Trey Fagan after his struggles with post-traumatic stress disorder.

In 2020 Fagan, along with Operation Barnabas's Chief Operations officer John Green told the Keystone Heights Rotary Club about the organization's mentoring program, which helps homeless veterans and first responders get back on their feet.

"It basically takes us 30 days to do a face-to-face assessment," said Fagan, "find out if the individual is mentally stable, if he needs a job, if he needs a vehicle, if he needs food, clothing, whatever he may need."

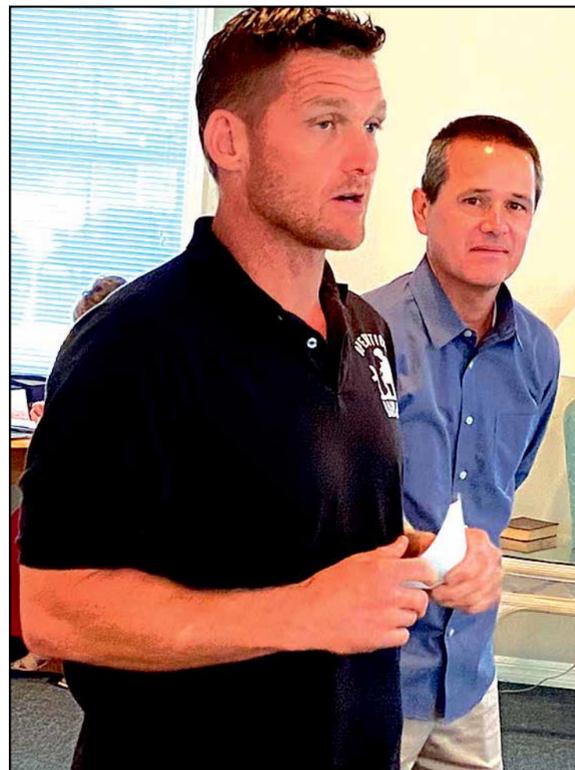
"We have that mentor get with that individual and do life with him over the next 30 days," he added.

"Over the past year, we have found that we can take somebody living in the woods, which we've done before and put them into a safe living location through our partnership with ChangingHomelessness.org," Fagan continued. "We can get them a vehicle, then a job and have them living on their own and renting on their own."

### Celebrate Clay's top honor

The James Boys of Orange Park United Methodist Church captured Celebrate Clay's top honor this year, earning the \$15,000 Paul E. Reinhold Community Service Award. The James Boys, an all-volunteer ministry, focused year-round on three separate projects: building custom wheelchair ramps for the elderly and disabled; refurbishing bikes for the needy; and providing numerous handyman and home repairs.

The Reinhold Foundation created the Celebrate Clay awards program to honor the legacy of Paul and Klare Reinhold and to recognize, reward, and encourage



Trey Fagan (L) and John Green of Operation Barnabas speak to the Keystone Heights Rotary Club in 2020 about their group's efforts to help veterans and first responders suffering from post-traumatic stress disorder.

community service within Clay County. The Foundation has awarded more than \$1 million to Celebrate Clay award recipients in the past fourteen years.

A panel of five judges including three independent volunteers from the community and two Reinhold family representatives voted on the best projects of 2021 to determine the winners of the \$100,000 in cash awards. This year's judges were: Daniel (Matt) Johnson, Headmaster, St. Johns Classical Academy; Kevin Rinks, FACHE, Administrator, Ascension St. Vincent's Clay County Hospital; Sandra Staudt-Killea, Executive Director, Waste Not Want Not; and Neely Egan and Jennifer Hutchen, Reinhold Family Members.

Applications were open to all non-profit groups active in the First Coast Area that provided services to Clay County residents in 2021. The 47 winners included Clay County and regionally based nonprofits, churches, and school programs.

### Other winners

A complete list of this year's winners are:

Paul E. Reinhold Community Service Award (\$15,000): The James Boys;

Judges' Choice Program Awards (\$7,000 each): Operation Barnabas, Quigley House;

Jack Myers Executive Director Award (\$7,000): Elaine Smith, Executive Director of Clamour Theatre Company;

Peggy Bryan Volunteer of the Year Award (\$7,000): Johnny Williams of First Coast Women's Services;

Judges' Choice Volunteer Awards (\$3,500 each): Ali Griffin of Clay County Habitat for Humanity, Kathy Wray of The Clothes Closet and Food Pantry;

Special Judges' Awards (\$2,000 each): Children's Home Society of Florida,

Clay County 4-H Foundation, Clothes Closet and Food Pantry, JP Hall Children's Charities, McRae Elementary Weekend Food Program, Mission of the Dirt Road, Oakleaf Village Elementary Music Department, Project REACH Kids, Clay County School District, Seniors on a Mission, YMCA Take Stock in Children Clay County;

Category Awards (\$1,000 each):

Arts and Culture- CalaVida Arts Festival, Concert on the Green, Island Theater;

Civic Programs- Clay County Archives, Orange Park Junior High School Diversity Committee;

Community Programs- Clay County Habitat for Humanity, Food Pantry of Green Cove Springs, Hunger Fight, Kitchen of Clay County, Mercy Auto Charitable Foundation, Mercy Support Services;

Education and Literacy- ACE Mentor Program of Northeast Florida, AMIKids Clay County, Episcopal Children's Services, Florida Youth Challenge Academy Foundation;

Environment and Animal Advocacy- Clay County Humane Society;

Health and Human Services- BASCA, Clay Behavioral Health Center, Hope Therapy, Way Free Medical Clinic, Senior Citizens' Programs, PET Florida Penney Farms of Mobility Worldwide,

Church Service Programs- Food Bridge of Middleburg United Methodist Church, St. Catherine's Conference Society St. Vincent;

Accomplishments by Youth- Florida Striders Track Club, Teen Court of Clay County;

Service to Youth and Families- Clay County Police Athletic League, Kids First of Florida, Tiger Mentorships of Lake Asbury Junior High School, Seamark Ranch, Young Life Clay County.

## Kindergarten registration at KHES

Keystone Heights Elementary School kindergarten registration will be in person this year, but by appointments only, on Thursday, May 12, and Tuesday, May 17.

In order to prevent possible loss of teachers next school year, the school is asking future kindergarten parents to participate in this registration.

During scheduled appointments, parents will have the opportunity to meet kindergarten teachers as they meet with students for a simple readiness screening while parents turn in required documents. You will then be assisted in completing online registration

for next school year.

Once completed families will be able to tour the kindergarten hallway, pick up a kindergarten goody bag and take their child's picture in an "I'm Ready for Kindergarten 2023" setting. You will leave ready for their child to begin school in August.

Please call for an appointment. A list of the required documents will be shared after scheduling. Those documents include: certified birth certificate, completed immunization record (on Form 680), health physical (received since Aug. 10, 2021), parent ID, and proof of residency in the school district. Your child must be 5 years old on or before Sept. 1, 2022, to begin kindergarten in August.

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**Keystone Heights Mayor Karen Lake reads a proclamation declaring May as Historic Preservation Month in the city. Also pictured (l-r) are Council Members Bobby Brown and Tony Brown, Heritage Commission Member Deirdre Murphy, Vice Mayor Steve Hart, Heritage Commission Chair Nina Rodenroth and Council Member Chris Thompson. Photo: City of Keystone Heights.**

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scheduled for 2022-2023. (\$211 million has been previously spent on this section of the road);

- Construction of 6.5 miles of State Road 23 (First Coast Expressway) from Clay County to St. Johns County over the St. Johns River. \$472.6 million scheduled for 2022-2023, \$6.6 million scheduled for 2023-2024, \$1.5 million scheduled for 2025-2026. (\$3.7 million has been previously spent on this section of the road);
- Design and construction of hangars at the Keystone Heights Airport, \$150,000 scheduled for 2024-2025.
- Master plan update for the Keystone Heights Airport, \$650,000 scheduled for 2024-2025;
- Installation of a weather system at the Keystone Heights Airport, \$300,000 scheduled for 2025-2026;
- Design and construction of a 10-unit T-hangar at the Keystone Heights Airport, \$350,000 scheduled for 2022-2023 and \$350,000 scheduled for 2023-2024;
- Design and rehabilitation of Runway 11-29 at the Keystone Heights Airport, \$450,000 scheduled for 2024-2025, \$2.1 million scheduled for 2025-2026, \$1.7 million scheduled for 2026-2027;
- Expansion of the fuel farm at the Keystone Heights Airport, \$450,000 scheduled for 2024-2025.
- Purchase of a Jet A fuel truck at the Keystone Heights Airport, \$300,000 scheduled for 2024-2025.

In other news from the May 2 meeting of the Keystone Heights City Council:

## Historic preservation proclamation

The council proclaimed May as Historic Preservation Month in the city.

Lake, reading the proclamation, said historic preservation is an effective tool for managing growth and sustainable development, revitalizing neighborhoods, fostering local pride, maintaining community character and enhancing livability.

She added that the local theme for this year's Historic Preservation Month is: "We're all in this together."

## Events approved

The council approved Worship Nights to take place at Keystone Beach from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. on the first Friday of the month. The events, sponsored by Answers Resource Facility will be open to the public and will feature a small acoustic set with no speaker or band.

The council also approved monthly meetings for the Clay County Chamber of Commerce's Lake Region Prosperity Partners. Those gatherings, to be held at the Keystone Beach Pavilion, are scheduled for the fourth Thursday of every month from 5 to 8 p.m.

## Trailhead dedication

The council reached consensus on dedicating the Keystone Heights portion of the Palatka-to-Lake Butler State Trail to a group of individuals instead of to one person.

Hart suggested working with the county to get a state historical marker for the trail section, in the same way the city's Heritage Commission secured a state historical marker for the Keystone Inn, across South Lawrence Boulevard from City Hall. Hart also recommended adding the history of the Georgia Southern and Florida Railroad

line to the marker. The trail was built on the railroad's former right of way.

## Country Meadows

Hart, chair of the city's Growth Management Committee, gave the council a report of the committee's April 25 meeting which mostly consisted of a presentation from the developer of Country Meadows.

Hart said his committee closely scrutinized the proposed 55-lot neighborhood with site-built, wood frame homes, to be located near the intersection of Paradise Point Drive and Sunrise Boulevard.

The next stop for the development will be a May 19 city planning and zoning meeting.

## Airport

Airport Board Chair David Kirkland said the facility hosted the Air-Ops spring hunt for veterans in March. Four veterans participated in this year's hunt with three participants from prior hunts returning to volunteer.

Kirkland added that the airport's Natural Resource chair, Chad Rischar is organizing a 110-acre tree harvesting.

"This tree thinning project actually will assist in us staying compliant with FDOT as it relates to airfield safety, and bids are due by May 19," he said.

Kirkland also said Airport Manager Maria Searcy conducted six separate airport familiarization and emergency response training classes with both Clay and Bradford County first responders and law enforcement.

"This training is focused on familiarization of the airfield activity, access to the airfield, airport tenants and our levels of risks," Kirkland said. "This will be an annual training for both counties. Ms. Searcy is also working with both Bradford and Clay to conduct an aircraft crash and rescue training day later this year."

## Commissioners approve broadband infrastructure agreement

GREEN COVE SPRINGS — During the April 26 Board of County Commissioners meeting, commissioners voted to approve an agreement for broadband infrastructure with Comcast Cable Communications LLC to extend broadband service into areas of Clay County that lack internet service.

Comcast currently serves many areas of Clay County and has agreed to extend its cable system and will design, contract, and maintain a state-of-the-art broadband network in the designated service extension areas in a phased approach.

Phase 1 of the project will include the extension of Comcast's cable system to provide internet service to the northwest portion of Clay Hill and the area of Keystone Heights north on County Road 214 and east of State Road 21, moving out toward McRae. Households and businesses will then have the option to sign up as a customer with Comcast and purchase services according to their specific needs.

Comcast also participates in the Federal Communication Commission's Affordable Connectivity Program through

Internet Essentials, which provides a discount of up to \$30 per month toward internet service for eligible households.

The estimated completion date for Phase 1 is 12 months after permits are granted and utility line locates are performed, however, residents will have the option to hook up to internet service as soon as it becomes available in their area. The total shared cost for this phase of the project is \$3.35 million with the county contributing \$2 million and Comcast contributing \$1.35 million. The system will be owned, operated, and maintained by Comcast.

The funding source for this broadband investment is the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, intended to address the economic impacts of the COVID-19 Pandemic and lay the foundation for a strong recovery. The Act specifically addresses broadband service as critical for work, education, healthcare, and civic participation during a public-health emergency.

Future phases of the project will extend broadband service into other underserved areas of the county as funding is identified.

Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners Wayne Bolla said, "The goal of the broadband infrastructure project is to expand reliable, high-speed internet services to as many households and businesses in Clay County as possible."

District Four Commissioner Betsy Condon represents Clay County on the Florida Association of Counties' ACCESS 67 Initiative, which is working to develop solutions to address the impacts of the lack of access to critical telecommunication and information technology resources in Florida communities.

Commissioner Condon said, "The economic impact of broadband expansion will be seen through improved access to educational and employment opportunities resulting in increased job growth, higher wages, higher rates of new business formation, increased home values and lower unemployment rates in Clay County. Commissioner Condon added, "Broadband expansion can also improve health and life outcomes for our residents by offering access to remote healthcare providers and health information."

## Garden club talks wildflowers

The Alligator Creek Garden Club will meet at the Bradford County Senior Center on

Thursday, May 19, from 2 to 4 p.m. Pat Caren and Paul Still will present slide show discussion on "A Year of Wildflowers in Bradford County." All are welcome to attend.. Contact Paul Still at 904 368-029 or stillpe@aol.com for more information.

## Pastor installed May 22

Ebenezer Missionary Baptist Church will have an installation service for Pastor Marrion Dryer on Sunday, May 22, at 3 p.m. All are invited.



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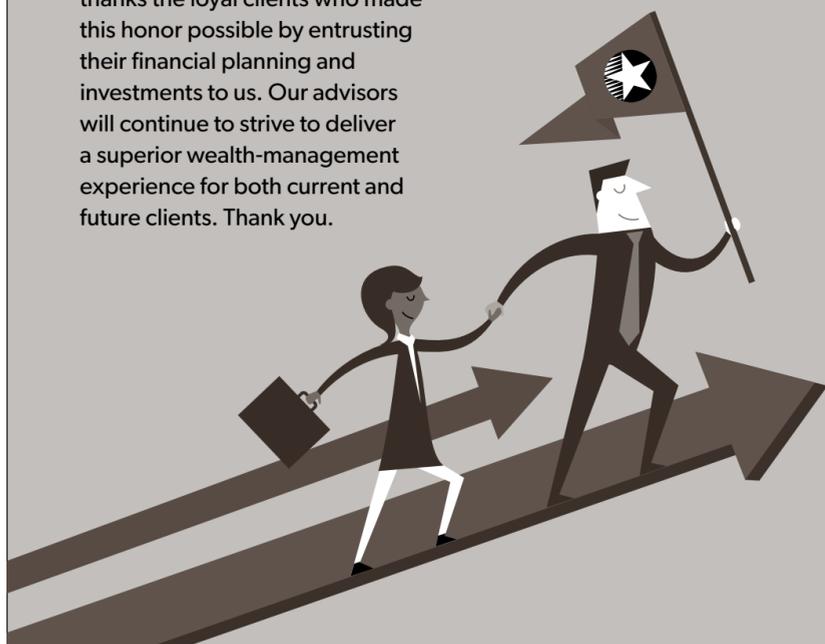
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# UNION COUNTY



The horse judging team at the University of Florida. Team members are Cailynn Boggs, Michael Young, Krista Young and Ryleigh Rhoden.



The food science team preparing to leave for their state contest. Team members include Laura Park, Maegan Beatty, Hannah Sherrod and Kindall Johnson.

## Lake Butler FFA earns two more state championships

BY MAEGAN BEATTY  
FFA Chapter Reporter

The month of April is a busy time for Lake Butler FFA, but members did not hesitate to get to work. On Saturday, April 2, Lake Butler FFA received two more state championships following their first one of the year back in February.

First, the horse judging

team, coached by Linsey Androlevich, placed first at their state contest. Team members include Cailynn Boggs, Michael Young, Krista Young and Ryleigh Rhoden.

Cailynn Boggs was also named high individual of the contest. Ryleigh, Michael and Krista were ninth, 13th, and 15th individuals

overall, respectively.

The horse judging team will be representing the state of Florida at the National Convention in November of this year.

Hours after hearing about this good news, the Food Science team coached by Tom Williams found out that they placed first in their contest as well.

This contest was originally supposed to take place in early February, but due to COVID-19 concerns, it was postponed. Nevertheless, this team stuck it out and stayed busy during those extra two months.

Team members included Laura Park, Maegan Beatty, Hannah Sherrod and

Kindall Johnson. Kindall Johnson was named second high individual of the contest, and Maegan Beatty was named third high individual. Laura Park and Hannah Sherrod were 12th and eighth high individuals, respectively.

This team will also be representing Florida at the National Convention in

November.

We are incredibly proud of the hard work that these young men and women have put in this school year, and we cannot wait to see what they accomplish in the future. It has been a bright year for Lake Butler FFA and we are looking forward to the days to come.

## Celebrating Union County School District's FFA accomplishments for the 2021-2022 school year in the May 26, 2022 edition of the Union County Times.



Graysen Willis, FFA Grand Champion winner of Union County Livestock Association fair, 2022.

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### City of Lake Butler Mayor's Art Award 2022

The annual Mayor's Art Award Competition returns after an absence due to the COVID-19 pandemic on July 4<sup>th</sup>, 2022, at Lakeside Park.

Entries in the Mayor's Art Fair may be in any medium of art, but only one work per artist will be considered for the competition. All entries will be displayed at Lakeside Park during the 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebration under the Mayor's tent from 10am-2pm. Judging will take place at approximately 10:30am by three independent judges.

The artist whose entry places First in the competition will be awarded \$500 and the entry will become property of the City of Lake Butler to display. Second place will be awarded \$200, and Third place will receive \$100. Certificates of recognition will also be provided for the top three entries. Residents from Alachua, Baker, Bradford, Columbia, and Union County are eligible for the competition. These surrounding counties are invited to participate in this creative work. The Mayor will make the award-winning presentation at the City Commission meeting on July 19<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

Entry forms are available at City Hall and on the city website [www.cityoflakebutler.com](http://www.cityoflakebutler.com).

Completed forms must be returned by 5pm on June 17, 2022, along with the entry fee of \$5 to:  
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Entries should be delivered to the Mayor's Art tent located at Lakeside Park clearly marked with the name of the artist and given entry number. Artwork will remain on exhibit until 2pm and must be reclaimed by 2:30pm.

For more information, please contact the City of Lake Butler at 386-496-3401 ex.3 or [hpage@cityoflakebutler.com](mailto:hpage@cityoflakebutler.com)



The Robert A. Driggers Building before work began on its façade.



Elaine Fletcher's design for changes to the building's paint scheme.

## Lake Butler façade grants give businesses a facelift

BY DAN HILDEBRAN  
Monitor Editor

LAKE BUTLER— A once dormant grant program is now gaining attention after one downtown business took advantage of the opportunity.

The City of Lake Butler's Community Redevelopment Agency secured money for upgrading the facades of downtown businesses several years ago. However, according to City Manager Dale Walker, no one applied for the \$5,000 grants.

Walker added that he thought merchants and property owners were hesitant to apply for the free money because they couldn't visualize how their properties would benefit.

"You know, it's one thing to

ask," said Walker. "It's another thing to go knock on the door and show them a design of how their business would look after the work was complete."

So, with the help of designer Elaine Fletcher, Walker offered to show potential grant recipients what their businesses would look like after the work.

The first taker was B Squared and building owner Clay Driggers.

Walker said the result was so impressive that now other downtown businesses and property owners are asking about how they also can get the façade grants.

Nearing completion is the second building to receive the help: the Robert A. Driggers Building on Main Street.



B Squared in Lake Butler before upgrades to the building's façade. All photos by Elaine Fletcher.

"We got two that took it, and now all of the sudden there's more that are interested, and we're starting to find the synergy that makes this thing roll," Walker said.

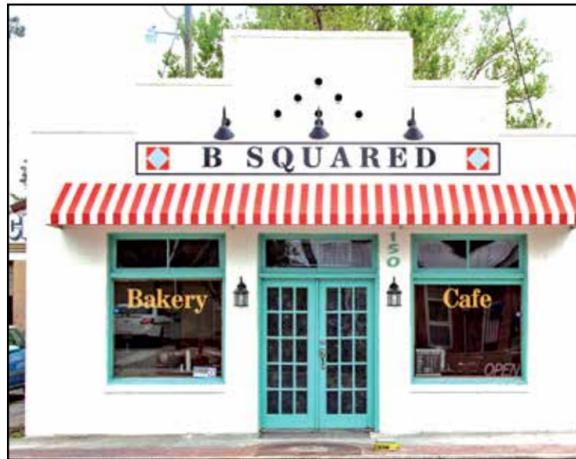
Fletcher said she is not a

professional designer but rather someone with a background in construction and remodeling.

She agreed with Walker that the problem with the grant program was that potential applicants could not see how the money would improve the look of their businesses.

"Most folks can't visualize what can be done with a small amount of money," she said. "It can have a big impact."

Fletcher said she came up with the design for a refreshed



The Main Street bakery and café after improvements to its storefront.

B Squared, contacted some suppliers and contractors for cost information, then turned everything over to Walker.

Fletcher said the improvements to the Robert A. Driggers Building is mostly changing the color scheme.

Both Fletcher and Walker said they hope more property owners apply for the grants during the next round of funding.

Fletcher, who volunteers her services to the project, said she enjoys the opportunity to

improve the town.

"When one business in a town benefits, it helps everybody," she said. "Hopefully it will generate more customers for the entire downtown area."

Fletcher said she hopes Lake Butler can emulate other small North Florida towns like High Springs and Alachua, which are known for their charming atmosphere and appealing look.

"They're just fun places to go because they're cute," she said.

## It's almost graduation time in Union County – Don't miss any of the events!

BY TRACY LEE TATE  
Times Editor

It's that time of the year again, when Union County parents, grandparents and family members are getting ready to travel to the Union County High School Football Stadium and proudly watch their graduates walk the stage and receive the diplomas that they have worked so hard to earn.

Graduation is scheduled for Friday, May 20, 2022 at 8 p.m. It will take place on the football field, weather permitting, with provisions made to hold

the event inside (to a limited audience) should the weather fail to cooperate. But while graduation is the culmination of the senior's hard work, there are other activities associated with the event that should not be overlooked.

The Union County High School Senior Awards ceremony is set for Wed., May 18, 2022 at 8:30 a.m. in the UCHS auditorium. Also on May 18 will be the UCHS Baccalaureate ceremony, scheduled for 7 p.m. in the auditorium.

Also happening soon will

be the UCHS Adult Education Graduation ceremony, scheduled for Monday, May 23 at 8 p.m. in the UCHS Auditorium. These people may be older than the UCHS grads, but they have worked just as hard to earn their diploma, many times working around family, employment and other concerns.

Anyone can attend these events and is welcome to come out and show how proud Union County is of its graduates, of all ages.

### Plant sale at Dudley Farm

The Soil Sisters of the Dudley Farm Heritage Plant Nursery will be selling heritage plants, native plants and pollinators, trees and shrubs Saturday, May 14, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. While there, visit the historic farmstead and beautiful gardens.

Park admission is \$5. per vehicle. The park is located at 18730 W. Newberry Road. For more information, please call 352-472-1142.

### Marketplace Ministry Festival

Regeneration Church of God in Christ will present a Marketplace Ministry Festival at the Starke Downtown Square on Saturday, May 21, from noon to 6 p.m. Vendor spaces are available for \$50 per booth.

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Clay County officials and residents honor 12 officers lost in the line of duty during a May 5 ceremony at Spring Park in Green Cove Springs. Photo: Clay County Government.

## Clay County honors officers lost in line of duty

BY DAN HILDEBRAN  
Monitor Editor

GREEN COVE SPRINGS—Clay County officials honored 12 officers who died in the line of duty including three lost to COVID-19, during a May 5 ceremony at Spring Park.

The names of Deputy Clint Seagle, Sheriff's Sgt. Eric Twisdale and Green Cove Springs Police Chief Derek Asdot were added to the other nine names of fallen officers.

Clay County Board of County Commissioners Chair Wayne Bolla and Green Cove Springs Mayor Ed Gaw read proclamations from their jurisdictions honoring law enforcement officers.

Sheriff's Chaplain Tim Martin delivered the keynote message. Emcee Mary Justino said Martin also served in the agency as a captain, patrol sergeant and lieutenant, homicide and major crimes detective, SWAT sniper, hostage negotiator, pilot, staff services director and public information officer.



Clay Sheriff's Chaplain Tim Martin: "Never forget that every kiss from your spouse, every hug from your child, every visit from your parents means a little bit more each and every day." Also pictured (l-r) Green Cove Springs Police Chief John Guzman, Clay County Sheriff Michelle Cook, County Commission Chair Wayne Bolla and Clerk's Office Public Information Officer Mary Justino. Photo: Clay County Government.

of law enforcement above their commitments to their families.

"Never forget that every kiss from your spouse, every hug from your child, every visit from your parents means a little bit more each and every day," he said.

Martin recalled that in 1982, as a major crimes detective, he investigated five infant deaths over a six-month period, following the birth of his own son.

"Each time my day concluded, or my night concluded, I would go home, and I would take him from his crib and he and I would just rock together," Martin recalled.

The chaplain also told officers to resist giving in or striking back because of the vocal few who disdain the law enforcement calling.

"Try not to be vengeful or bitter, but simply trust and allow your word to be true," he said. "May you forever cover your pride with pride, the shield or the star that you wear

and honor your fallen brothers and sisters with pride, integrity and honor that your calling demands."

### Roll call

At the conclusion of the ceremony, Clay Sheriff's Director and Bradford County resident David Barnes read the roll call of the 12 fallen officers.

Chief Derek Asdot, Green Cove Springs Police Department, died on Sept. 28, 2021, from COVID-19.

Deputy Clint Robin Seagle, Clay County Sheriff's Office, died on Sunday, August 29, 2021, from COVID-19.

Sergeant Eric John Twisdale,

Clay County Sheriff's Office, died on Sept. 16, 2020, from COVID-19.

Deputy Benjamin LeMont Zirbel, Clay County Sheriff's Office, died on Aug. 21, 2018, from a motorcycle crash.

Detective David Adam White, Clay County Sheriff's Office, died on Feb. 16, 2012, from gunfire while conducting a drug investigation.

Sergeant Kenneth Eddie Hayes, Clay County Sheriff's Office, died on May 26, 2002, as a result of a heart attack.

Deputy Wilson Walker, Clay County Sheriff's Office, died on Dec. 17, 1994, as a result of medical complications caused by materials used during his work as an evidence technician.

Auxiliary Deputy Arthur Burton Caton Sr., Clay County Sheriff's Office, died on July 15, 1979, from a heart attack while working a traffic detail in Orange Park.

Sergeant Richard Miles Watkins,

Clay County Sheriff's Office, died on May 3, 1976, from an automobile crash while he was following an ambulance to a hospital after responding to an attempted suicide.

Sheriff Theodore Shelton Cherry, Clay County Sheriff's Office, died on July 6, 1913, from gunfire while he was interviewing a suspect.

Sheriff Charles Wilson, Clay County Sheriff's Office, died on July 10, 1906, from gunfire while attempting to arrest a suspect on a train.

Sheriff Joseph A. Peeler, Clay County Sheriff's Office, died on May 10, 1894, from gunfire while trying to stop an argument between two men at a train station.

## Crime

### Recent arrests in Bradford, Union and Clay

April 30 through May 6

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

Briana Roshae Aaron, 31, of Starke was arrested by Starke police on May 5 for failure to appear.

Michael Andrew Bradshaw, 36, of Middleburg was arrested by Starke police on May 1 for driving with a suspended or revoked license.

Hollie Nicole Bumgardner, 38, of Gainesville was arrested by Bradford deputies on May 2 for failure to appear.

Kimberly Paige Cruce, 30, of Starke was arrested by Bradford deputies on May 6 for resisting an officer, possession of drugs and possession of drug equipment.

Terry Preston Davis, 35, of Macclenny was arrested by Bradford deputies on May 2 for possession of drugs.

Christina Nicole Demar, 38, of Starke was arrested by Starke police on May 6 for an out-of-county warrant and a probation

violation.

Danny Lewis Dickerson, 61, of Starke was arrested by Bradford deputies on May 6 for sexual assault.

Joshua Andrew Dilas, 38, of Lake Butler was arrested by Starke police on May 4 for driving with a suspended or revoked license.

Christopher Seth Henderson, 38, of Keystone Heights was arrested by Bradford deputies on May 5 for indecent exposure and loitering.

Dylan Craig Hurt, 22, of Keystone Heights was arrested by Bradford deputies on May 5 for failure to appear and an out-of-county warrant.

Cody Michael Jones, 23, of Starke was arrested by Bradford deputies and Starke police on May 2 for probation violations.

Sa'diyya Francis Kelly, 31, of Jacksonville was arrested by Department of Corrections inspectors on May 1 for possession of drugs.

Michael Hugh Ketch, 21, of Keystone Heights was arrested by Starke police on May 5 for possession of opium and selling opium.

Tony Howard Melton, 30, of Starke was arrested by Bradford deputies on May 5 for lewd and lascivious behavior.

Travis Lee Nelson, 49, of Starke was arrested by Bradford deputies on May 1 for DUI.

Gregory Randall, 44, of Putnam Hall was arrested by Bradford deputies on April 30 for driving with a suspended or revoked license.

Chadly Derick Richey, 41, of

Waldo was arrested by Bradford deputies on April 30 for driving with a suspended or revoked license.

Jose Calos Salgado Torres, 23, of Jacksonville was arrested by Bradford deputies on May 2 for a probation violation.

Charlee Marie Dawn Waddell, 33, of Macclenny was arrested by Bradford deputies on May 1 for DUI.

Rachel Lee Williams, 22, of Lake Butler was arrested by Starke police on May 6 for an out-of-county warrant.

#### Union

Kenneth John Waters Jr., 37, of Ashland, Virginia was arrested by Union deputies on April 30 for battery, trafficking in amphetamine and possession of narcotics equipment.

#### Clay

Ellen Viola Austin, 30, of Keystone Heights was arrested by Clay deputies on April 30 for battery.

Shatamra Lee Autrey Gillyard, 24, of Keystone Heights was arrested by Clay deputies on May 3 for trespassing.

Tasya Pearl Long, 24, of Keystone Heights was arrested by Clay deputies on May 2 for aggravated battery.

Catherine Michele Samborn, 60, of Keystone Heights was arrested by Clay deputies on May 6 for battery.

Morris Spencer Smith, 33, of Keystone Heights was arrested by Clay deputies on May 2 for battery on a person aged 65 or older.

## 3 years for texting threats and other charges

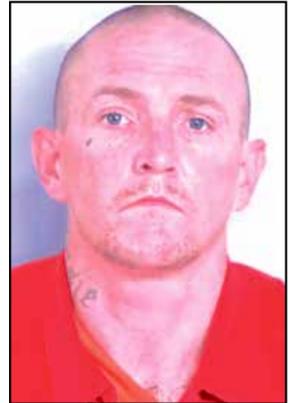
BY DAN HILDEBRAN  
Monitor Editor

STARKE — A 35-year-old Hampton man was sentenced to three years in prison after pleading to sending threatening texts, possession of drugs and battery.

Daniel William Bresee pleaded no contest to the Jan. 31 offenses of making written threats to kill or inflict bodily injury, and to the Feb. 28 offenses of possession of a controlled substance without a prescription, resisting an officer without violence and felony battery-repeat offender.

According to court papers, on Jan. 31 Bresee's wife, who is separated from the defendant, told deputies that Bresee had been sending threatening texts.

Deputy Brandon Whitehead wrote in a warrant affidavit that the defendant knew he would go back to prison for what he was threatening to do but was not



Bresee

afraid.

"Daniel stated in one text, 'You have done put my ass in jail one time. I already know you are going to put me there again. Hey, guess what, it'll be worth it this

time,'" Whitehead wrote.

In a Feb. 28 arrest report, the victim and witnesses told deputies that Bresee entered the victim's home through the back door and confronted the victim saying, "he was going to beat up her cop-calling ass."

"The suspect then pushed and slapped the victim in the face," wrote arresting officer Glen Ward. "The victim had no visible marks and refused medical treatment."

Cpl. Dalton Sumner wrote that the defendant banged his head on the ground and into the interior of a patrol vehicle once he was put into the car. Sumner reported that he used his taser to drive-stun Bresee in an attempt to force him to stop banging his head. Deputies added that during the arrest, the defendant dropped a small glass vial containing five-and-a-half Suboxone pills.

### May sobriety checkpoints announced

During the month of May, the Bradford County Sheriff's Office will be conducting sobriety checkpoints in one or more of the following locations: U.S. Highway 301 and Market Road, S.R. 100 West, S.R. 100 East and Southeast 109th Street, Southeast S.R. 21, S.R. 16 and Southwest S.R. 231.

### Soil and water group meeting

The Bradford Soil and Water Conservation District will meet on Tuesday, May 17, at 9 a.m. at the Bradford County Extension Office.

The FloodWise Communities Vulnerability Assessment and industrial wastewater discharge

permit for the new Chemours mine will be discussed. There will also be reports on the status of BSWCD projects and activities.

These meetings are open to the public. Contact Paul Still at 904-368-0291 or stillpe@aol.com for more information.

### Get help quitting

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This group more than doubles your chance of quitting for good. Pre-registration is required. Call 866-341-2730 to reserve your spot.

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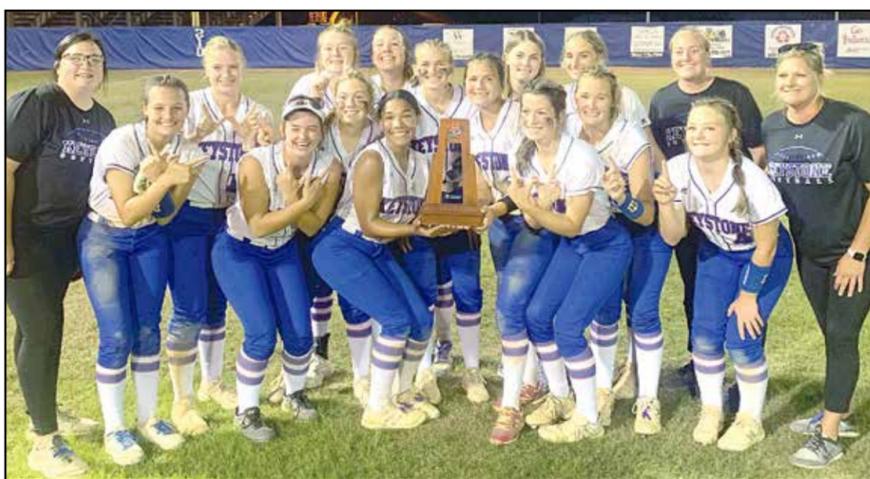


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Keystone players and coaches celebrate the program's first district championship since 2017. The Indians defeated Santa Fe 12-2 in the District 3-3A finale, which set up a Region 1 quarterfinal home game against West Nassau on Wednesday, May 11. Photo by John Ryan Tillman.

## Abbie Roach hits grand slam, Indians win District 3-3A title

BY CLIFF SMELLEY  
Telegraph Staff Writer

Keystone Heights High School had no trouble scoring runs — with four alone coming on one swing of the bat by Abbie Roach — in defeating third-seed Santa Fe 12-2 in five innings to win the District 3-3A softball



Abbie Roach hit a grand slam to put the Indians ahead 6-0 in the third inning. File photo by Cliff Smelley.

championship on May 5 in Keystone.

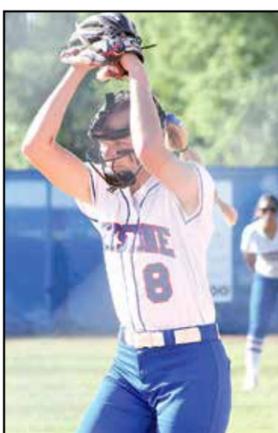
It was the first district title for the Indians (17-9) since 2017.

"These girls have put in the work," Head Coach Jessica Marquart said. "They came out here, worked hard and busted their butts to win it. It was a goal of theirs."

Keystone was seeded third in the Region 1 playoffs and played sixth-seed West Nassau in a quarterfinal game on Wednesday, May 11. If the Indians won, they'll travel to play second-seed Providence or host seventh-seed Marianna in a semifinal game on Tuesday, May 17, at 7 p.m.

In the District 3 championship game, the top-seed Indians went the first two innings without a hit, but things changed in a big way in the bottom of the third. Delia Johnson and Kadance Massey-Hoadley drew back-to-back walks to lead off the inning and advanced on a sacrifice bunt by Jaiden Robinson. Johnson scored the game's first run on a wild pitch.

Finally, in the team's 10th at-bat, Emma Rogel hit a single that



Madi Mitzel earned the win, giving up five hits and just one walk. File photo by Cliff Smelley.

scored Massey-Hoadley to make it 2-0. Keystone then loaded the bases after an Alaina Kinsal single and a Kiley Channell walk. That set the stage for Roach, who sent a 1-1 pitch over the fence in left to make it a 6-0 game.

It was Roach's first career

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Caleb Moncrief won the Region 1-2A discus title and will compete at state in both the discus and the shot put. Photo originally published on the Keystone Heights High School Athletics Facebook page.

## KHHS' Moncrief is Region 1-2A discus champ

BY CLIFF SMELLEY  
Telegraph Staff Writer

Keystone Heights High School's Caleb Moncrief won the discus at the Region 1-2A track and field championships, which were held May 5 at Tommy Oliver Stadium in Panama City.

Moncrief had a throw of 149-8 — a personal record — in finishing ahead of Bishop Kenny's Max Selden, who had a throw of 138-8.

The win automatically qualified Moncrief for the state finals, which will be held Thursday, May 12, at the University of Florida's Percy Beard Track. The boys discus event will begin at 4 p.m.

Athletes had to place in the top two to automatically qualify for state.

Moncrief also earned an at-large state berth in the shot put with a fifth-place distance of 47-4.5. That event will begin at 1 p.m. at the state meet.

At-large berths were awarded based on a ranking of regional results.

Moncrief was one of three athletes to earn points for top-

eight finishes. On the girls side, Kendall Gagnon placed seventh in the javelin with a distance of 98-1, while Kirsten Shaw placed seventh in the long jump with a distance of 15-9.75.

Tyler Griffin ran in two events for Keystone, placing ninth in the 1600m with a time of 4:48 and 14th in the 800m with a time of 2:15.

Shaw competed in another event as well, running a 13th-place time of 18.98 in the 100m hurdles.

Ella Hutchins also competed for Keystone. She was 12th in the 400m with a time of 1:08.



Malcolm Odum was the Region 1-2A runner-up in the 200m. He and Martin Odum will compete at state in both the 200m and 400m. File photo by Cliff Smelley.

## UCHS' Malcolm Odum finishes 2nd in 200m at regional meet

BY CLIFF SMELLEY  
Telegraph Staff Writer

Union County High School's Malcolm Odum earned a state-finals berth by placing second in the 200m at the Region 1-2A track and field championships at Tommy Oliver Stadium in Panama City Beach on May 5.

Odum ran a time of 21.65, which left him trailing Florida

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Bradford has no one advancing to state, but Kaelyn Booker did place at the Region 1-2A finals, finishing sixth in the 400m. File photo by Cliff Smelley.

## Booker earns 6th-place finish for Bradford at regional meet

BY CLIFF SMELLEY  
Telegraph Staff Writer

Kaelyn Booker was the only Bradford High School participant to earn points (awarded for top-eight finishes) at the Region 1-2A track and field championships, which were held May 5 at Tommy Oliver Stadium in Panama City.

Booker placed sixth in the 400m with a time of 1:02. She also teamed up with Diamond Ferguson, Holly Holt and Alyssa Hunt in two relay races. In the 4x100m, Bradford had a 13th-place time of 56.62, while in the 4x400m, the Tornados had a 12th-place time of 4:42.

Layne Loper, Lindsey McCoy, Alissa Reddish and Natalie Thomas teamed up in the 4x800m relay, finishing 11th with a time of 13:03.

Reddish also competed individually in the 3200m, running a 13th-place time of 15:05.



Shortstop Leah Clark (left) makes a throw to first for an out as Madison County's Josie Driggers takes off for third base. Photo by Cliff Smelley.

## UCHS softball team can't get by Madison in district-title game

BY CLIFF SMELLEY  
Telegraph Staff Writer

Top-seed Union County fell behind 4-0 and never led, losing to second-seed Madison County 7-4 in the District 5-1A softball championship game on May 5 in Hilliard.

Despite the loss, the Tigers (17-5) received an at-large berth in the Region 3 playoffs. They are seeded third and will play Madison County again in a semifinal game on Thursday, May 12, at 7 p.m. The Cowgirls (14-9) are the region's second seed.

If Union wins on May 12, it will either travel to play top-seed Fort White (13-7) or host fourth-seed Lafayette (13-6) in the Region 3 championship game,

which will be Tuesday, May 17, at 7 p.m.

In the District 5 championship, Madison had two straight singles in the top of the first. Josie Driggers, who hit the first, scored on an error.

The Cowgirls increased their lead to 4-0 in the second. Mackenzi Bochnia drew a one-out walk, followed by Tsadi Irvine hitting a bloop single over first baseman Hannah Rivera. Third baseman Hailey Rivera caught a pop-up for the second out, but Madison's Driggers doubled down the third-base line to plate the Cowgirls' second run. Kelsie Shea Thompson singled to drive in another run, while Driggers scored on a passed ball.

Union cut its deficit in half

in the third inning. The Tigers had two on with one out when a Leah Clark single scored Tamia Young, who reached on a walk. After the Cowgirls recorded the second out, Nyasia Williams hit a single to score Angela Tucker, who reached on an error. That put the score at 4-2.

Madison's Thompson led off the top of the fifth with a double down the third-base line. She came around to score on a single by Brianna Thompson to make the score 5-2. The Cowgirls later had the bases loaded with two outs before Clark fielded a ground ball at her shortstop position to get out of the inning.

Young led off the Tigers' half

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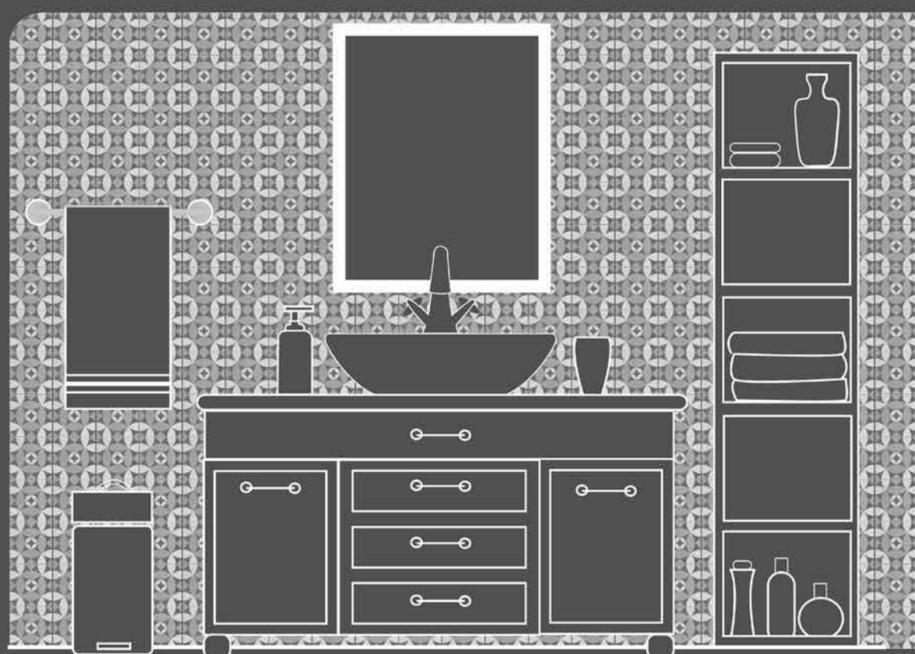
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# 4 receive Denmark Memorial Scholarships

BY CLIFF SMELLEY  
Telegraph Staff Writer

Bradford High School seniors Shelby Burkhalter, Eden Chalker, Kylee Davis and Raven Ford were recipients of this year's Kiwanis Club of Starke Steve Denmark Memorial Scholarships.

Each student receives a \$500 check made out to the school of their choice. The Kiwanis Club of Starke donated \$1,000 toward the scholarships, with the late Denmark's wife, Kitten, providing a matching donation.

Burkhalter, Davis and Ford were recognized at the club's April 26 meeting, while Chalker was recognized at its May 10 meeting.

Burkhalter is president of the National Honor Society and has been a band leader for six years. She has a grade-point average of 4.3 and recently received the Principal's Achievement Award. She is dual enrolled through Santa Fe College (3.6 GPA) and plans to attend the University of Florida with hopes of becoming a nurse.

Chalker, a member of the National Honor Society,

has a GPA of 4.52 and is a recent recipient of Principal's Achievement and Golden B awards. She is a paid intern at VyStar Credit Union's BHS branch and volunteers at vacation Bible school at First Baptist Church, Southside Elementary School and Union County Housing Authority. Chalker is dual enrolled at Santa Fe (4.0 GPA) and plans apply for the Diagnostic Medical Sonography program in the fall, beginning as a full-time student in January 2023.

Davis, who has a 4.0 GPA, is a member of the National Honor Society and recent recipient of Principal's Achievement and Golden B awards. She is a welcome-team leader at Cross Church and has been with Starke Dance Academy for 15 years, both as a dancer and now as a teacher for ages 3-13. Davis' goal is to earn a bachelor's degree in Hospitality Management.

Ford has a 3.5 GPA and is a recent recipient of Principal's Achievement and Golden B awards. She worked alongside Athletic Trainer Crista Rosborough during BHS football



Steve Denmark Memorial Scholarship Chair Cheryl Canova (far left) is pictured with recipients (l-r) Shelby Burkhalter, Kylee Davis and Raven Ford.

games. Ford plans to attend the University of Central Florida and

become a travel nurse. She wants to travel the world and help others become more healthy.

Scholarship namesake Steve Denmark passed away at the age of 71 on April 28, 2019. The lifelong resident of Starke and Kingsley Lake graduated from Bradford High School and received a business degree from the University of Georgia. After college, he returned to Starke and took over the family business — Denmark Furniture.

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



Recipient Eden Chalker (center) is pictured with Kiwanis of Starke President Brad Smith (far left) and Steve Denmark Memorial Scholarship Chair Cheryl Canova.

# Herndon receives Betty Warren Scholarship

BY CLIFF SMELLEY  
Telegraph Staff Writer

Chelsea Herndon was presented as this year's recipient of the Betty Warren Memorial Scholarship at the May 2 meeting of the Col. Samuel Elbert Chapter, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution, at Montgomery Presbyterian Conference Center. Herndon, a 2021 Bradford High School graduate, was presented with a \$1,000 check by Jeff Warren, who's one of Betty Warren's sons.

"I have a special feeling today because my wife has a master's in Speech Pathology," Warren said. "That is what Chelsea wants to do."

Herndon said, "It's a hard journey, but from all my research, I've learned that's what I really want to do."

The Col. Samuel Elbert Chapter began awarding the annual scholarship in 2005. It's presented to a Santa Fe College student who's working toward a medical-related degree or a degree in either Education or American History.

"Right now, I currently work



Chelsea Herndon (left) is presented with the Betty Warren Memorial Scholarship by Jeff Warren. Photo by Cliff Smelley.

as a (certified nursing assistant)," Herndon said. "That's kind of taught me that I really do love helping people. That kind of got me into looking at careers for helping. Speech Pathology is what I landed on."

Herndon said she plans to eventually attend Florida Atlantic University, which she heard has a good Speech Pathology program.

The scholarship is named after Betty Eileen Dye Warren, a longtime resident of Starke who was active in First Baptist Church of Starke, the hospital

auxiliary and the Col. Samuel Elbert Chapter, NSDAR.

Warren, who was born in 1924 in rural West Virginia, grew up during the Great Depression and didn't have many opportunities — and wasn't encouraged — to achieve an advanced education. She found a way to attend the University of West Virginia for a short time, but soon left to join the wartime workforce with the FBI in Washington, D.C.

Though she never had the opportunity to return to college full-time, Warren placed a high

value on lifelong learning — something she did through her love of books.

Warren passed away in 2003.



Bradford High School junior Huishan He received a scholarship after being selected as a Florida High School STEM Scholar.

# BHS' Huishan He is STEM Scholar

Bradford High School junior Huishan He received a scholarship after being selected as a Florida High School STEM Scholar as part of the Florida Department of Education's Sunshine State Scholars program.

Each scholar, along with their parents, traveled to Orlando for a March 31-April 2 event to connect with employers who specialize in STEM (science, technology, engineering, mathematics). They also met with Florida college and university personnel to discuss higher-education opportunities available to them in Florida.

"The Sunshine State Scholar event was a great chance to meet fellow students who have a similar educational drive as I do," He said. "I was able to also

get helpful advice on their STEM careers from adults in STEM.

"It was amazing to win the scholarship that was only awarded to 15 other students out of the 100 students invited. I'm thankful the school gave me the opportunity to experience such a great event in Orlando."

To be eligible for the scholar program, high school juniors must have an interest in pursuing postsecondary education, demonstrated an interest in a STEM field, have a weighted grade-point average of at least 3.9 and be on track to qualify for the Florida Academic Scholars Award according to the guidelines established by the Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program.

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High's Micahi Danzy, who had a time of 21.41. Still, as a top-two finisher, Odum earned an automatic bid to the state finals, which will be held Thursday, May 12, at the University of Florida's Percy Beard Track. The boys 200m will start at 8:15 p.m.

A fourth-place time of 48.89 in the 400m was good enough for Odum to earn an at-large bid to state. The event will start at 7:45 p.m. at the state meet.

Martin Odum earned two at-large state berths in the same races. He was fourth in the 200 with a time of 22.16 and seventh in the 400m with a time of 49.92. The two sprinters were the only Union athletes to earn points for top-eight finishes.

Brycen Boney also competed for the boys team, placing 14th in the long jump with a distance of 18-6.

Emma Jeffers led the girls team with a 10th-place finish in the 1600m. She ran a time of 6:29.

The girls 4x100m relay team was 14th with a time of 57.37, while Taleyah Smith was 15th in the discus with a distance of 74-9.

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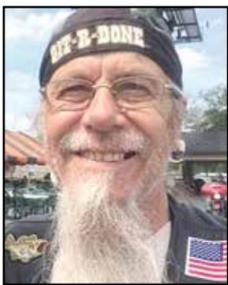
## Carl Garnett

KEYSTONE HEIGHTS Carl Edward Garnett, Jr., age 76, of Keystone Heights passed away Monday, May 2, 2022, at Shands Hospital in Gainesville. He was born Nov. 29, 1945, in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania to Carl E. and Nell (Turnbough) Garnett, Sr. Prior to retiring, he was a maintenance worker. Carl was a longtime resident of the area and loved riding motorcycles with his wife, Sandy, as they traveled over the United States enjoying camping and antique cars. Carl was known to help anyone in need. In addition to his parents, his wife of 54 years, Sandy and their son, Andrew "Andy" Mark Garnett also preceded him in death.

Carl leaves behind: two children, Eddie "PeeWee" (Michelle) Garnett of Florahome and Belinda (Mike) Getz of McRae; several siblings and a host of additional family and friends. He was also lovingly called "Papa" by his granddaughter, Ashley; seven grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Viewing for Carl was held Friday, May 6 in the Jones-Gallagher funeral home chapel. Funeral services followed.

Arrangements are under the care of Jones-Gallagher Funeral Home, 340 E. Walker Drive Keystone Heights. 352-473-3176. [www.jonesgallagherfh.com](http://www.jonesgallagherfh.com)



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## Shaun Kangas

LAKE BUTLER Shaun Garland Kangas, 35, of Lake Butler, passed away on Monday, May 2, 2022, after he was involved in an automobile accident on his way home from work. He was born on March 22, 1987, in Irving, Texas, to Paula Kangas Holcom. Shaun moved to Florida at a young age and grew up in the Middleburg area. He was a 2005 graduate of Middleburg High School. Shaun attended some college while beginning a career in the auto-parts industry. He worked for Autozone for nearly 10 years. While working there, he met a beautiful, young lady and her parents while they were getting windshield wipers. That young lady would eventually become his wife, Destiny Elixson. Outside of work, Shaun enjoyed being outside tinkering with something. He loved working on and riding ATVs and side-by-sides. Shaun was preceded in death by his mother, Paula.

Shaun is survived by: his wife of nearly five years, Destiny Elixson Kangas of Lake Butler; his three children, Stella Jayne, Brooklyn Mae, and Griffin Toivo, all of Lake Butler; his father, Jeffrey Holcom of Middleburg; sister, Heather Kangas and her children, Anna and Josh Kratzer all of Middleburg; father- and mother-in-law, Ernie and Joyce Elixson of Lake Butler; and his brother-in-law, Logan Elixson of Washington and Jaycee Elixson of Lake Butler. Numerous extended family also survive.

A Celebration of Shaun's life was held on Saturday, May 7, from 5 p.m. until 7 p.m. at Archer-Milton Funeral Home, Lake Butler. 386-496-2008. [www.ArcherFuneralHome.com](http://www.ArcherFuneralHome.com)



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## Lois Thomas

UNION COUNTY Lois Elizabeth Smith Thomas entered into heaven on Tuesday, May 3, 2022, at the age of 95. She was born at home on Aug. 20, 1926, in Johnstown in Union County. She graduated from Union County High School and soon thereafter married her husband, Charles J. Thomas. They were married more than 60 years until his death. She was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, and great-great-grandmother. She was so proud of her large family and loved and prayed for each and every one of them regularly. Her special-needs daughter, Beth Ann was the light of her life. She was preceded in death by: her husband, Rev. Charles J. Thomas; her parents, Bill and Emma Smith; her sister, Agnes (Eddie) Woods; brother, Kenneth Smith; and grandson, Daniel Collins.

She is survived by: her children, Beverly (Dan) Collins, Stephen (Kim) Thomas, Marilyn (John) Ingalls, Joy (David) Schreck, and Beth Ann Thomas; 14 grandchildren, 27 great-grandchildren, three great-great-grandchildren; her brother, Rev. Ralph (Daisy) Smith; several sisters-in-laws; and numerous nieces and nephews.

A graveside service for Mrs. Thomas was held at Ben Sapp Cemetery on Saturday, May 7.

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## Gerald Herndon

KEYSTONE HEIGHTS Gerald H. Herndon, 95, of Keystone Heights died Thursday, May 5, 2022.

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m., Friday, May 13, in the Jones-Gallagher Funeral Home Chapel with interment following at Keystone Heights Cemetery. The family will receive friends prior to the services beginning at 10 a.m.

Arrangements are by Jones-Gallagher Funeral Home, Keystone Heights.

## Sandy Kimble

LAKE BUTLER Sandy Denise Kimble, age 57 of Lake Butler, went to her Heavenly home on Thursday, May 5, 2022, at Ed Fraser Memorial Hospital in Macclenny. She was born in Lake Butler on Oct. 13, 1964, to her late parents, Sammy Kimble and Mary Francis Jefferson. Sandy was a lifelong resident of Union County and a longtime member of St. James A.M.E. Church, which later became Little Rock Church. She was very passionate about her Lord and Savior, loved attending church and praising and worshipping His name. Early in life, Sandy found her love for sports. She was very athletic and active in sports activities throughout her time in school. Sandy proudly ran track, specializing in the 4x100-mile relay and was also very gifted in basketball. She earned many awards and still holds accolades that are shown at the high school. In 1982, Sandy graduated from Union County High School and joined the United States Army. She had a love for her country and was very service driven. The Army was an amazing opportunity to serve and protect her family and country. After her honorable discharge from the military, Sandy enjoyed a long career as a clerk with the University of Florida. Sandy was so beautiful inside and out and her light shined bright. She loved all animals, especially cats, dogs, bunnies, and fish, but was filled with the most joy by the mere presence of her son, Mackus. She enjoyed all the time they had together and making precious memories. She was very family oriented and had a special bond with each and every family member. Sandy was a true treasure and will be missed by all who knew her. Her memory and legacy will be carried on by loved ones she leaves behind. Sandy was preceded in death by her parents, Sammy Kimble and Mary Jefferson Bristow; her stepfather, who raised her as his own, Eugene Bristow; sister, Beverly Kimble; brother, Kevin Kimble; and maternal grandparents, Thomas and Annie Jefferson.

Sandy leaves to cherish: her son, whom she loved dearly, Mackus Dowaine Staten of Lake Butler; sister, Carlese Kimble of Lake Butler; special cousin, Angela "Kin" Agnew; nieces, nephews, great nieces and nephews, Tashonia, Felicia, Alisa, Tajah, Eric, Mathis, Zelaia, Jeremiah, Kaven, Terron, K'Mari, Cameron, Bria, Ta'riyah, Navaeh, Kiona; as well as a host of loving aunts, uncles, great aunts and uncles, cousins, and friends near and far.

A Celebration of Sandy's Life will be held on Saturday, May 14, at 3 p.m. at Little Rock Church Inc., 375 SE Seventh Ave., Lake Butler with Rev. Randolph Murray officiating. Interment will follow at Little Rock Cemetery. The family will receive friends on Friday, May 13 from 5 p.m. until 7 p.m. at Ferreira Funeral Services Lake Butler Chapel.

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## Judy Ray NeeSmith

KINGSLEY LAKE Judy Ray Miller NeeSmith, age 74, of Kingsley Lake went to her heavenly home on Monday, May 9, 2022, at the Custead Hospice Care Center, Haven Hospice in Orange Park with her loving family by her side. Judy was born in Gainesville on April 15, 1948, to the late Raiford Miller and Mary Dot Shipman Miller. Judy Ray was raised at Kingsley Lake and graduated from Bradford High School in 1966. On May 6, 1967, Judy Ray married the love of her life, William Larry NeeSmith and together they have spent 55 wonderful years. Judy Ray and Larry were longtime members of Beulah Baptist Church which is now known as Middleburg Church of God. For the past five years, they have been attending First Baptist Church of Middleburg. Judy Ray started her career with the State of Florida in the late 1960s. Her first assignment was as a payroll clerk in Jacksonville, then she served with the Civil Defense in Starke, and finished out her employment with New River Correctional Institution and Lawtey Correctional Institution. At the correctional facilities, she worked in the training department and was a purchasing agent. Lastly, she was an administrative assistant. After 30 years of dedicated service, Judy Ray retired in December of 1999.

She enjoyed being outdoors and especially loved the lake, mountains and the beach. She also enjoyed traveling, camping, cooking and yard sales. Most of all, Judy Ray was an amazing wife, mother and grandmother who devoted her life to her family. She was preceded in death by her parents, Raiford Miller and Mary Dot Shipman Miller.

Judy is survived by: her loving husband, William Larry NeeSmith of Kingsley Lake; son, Larry "Ray" NeeSmith of Kingsley Lake; granddaughter, Alyssa Grace NeeSmith of Kingsley Lake; brother, Roger "Randy" Miller of Kingsley Lake; and many extended family members and friends she loved dearly.

A Celebration of Judy's Life will be Friday, May 13, at 11 a.m. at Middleburg Church of God, formerly Beulah Baptist Church, 4579 S.R. 21, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043, with Pastor Donnie Lott officiating. In lieu of flowers please make donations to Haven Hospice or First Baptist Church of Middleburg.

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## Renda Thomas

Mrs. Renda Smith Thomas, age 93, passed away Tuesday, May 3, 2022, peacefully at E.T. York Have Hospice in Gainesville. Mrs. Thomas was born Feb. 2, 1929, to the late Charley and Gertrude Addison Smith. She married the love of her life, Harry Thomas, on Aug. 20, 1946. She will be remembered as a loving and devoted wife, mama, grandma, great-grandma, and great-great-grandma. Mrs. Thomas worked for the Hudson Paper Company and Macclenny State Hospital, and in 1965, she and Mr. Thomas established Thomas Timber Company, where she was secretary until their retirement and move to Gainesville in 2007. Mrs. Thomas was a member of the Raiford Baptist Church. She enjoyed embroidery, needle point and working word search puzzles, but most of all she enjoyed cooking and spending time with her family. Mrs. Thomas was preceded in death by her parents, Charley and Gertrude Addison Smith; her loving husband of 66 years, Harry Thomas; brothers, Ray Smith, R.D. Smith, Morris Smith, Melvin Smith, and Earl Smith; sisters, Reese Johnson, Ethel Gaskins and Gussie Hersey; and son-in-law, Buddy Hannah.

Mrs. Thomas is survived by: her daughter, Brenda Thomas Hannah; sons, Terry Joe (Anita) Thomas and John Robert Thomas; grandchildren, Melinda (Rob) Gwynn, Scott (Amy) Hannah, Anisha (Paul) Waters, Josh (Becky) Thomas, Austin (Katie) Thomas, Storm (Ryan) Elliott; great-grandchildren, Tyler (Mary) Gwynn, Hannah (Austin) Moody, Mikaela Cairel, Katey Hannah, Haylea Hannah, Baler Waters, Saige Waters, Kylee Thomas, Hagen Thomas, Hudson Thomas, Noah Thomas, Creek Waters, Zachary Jackson, Brooke Jackson, and Beau Jackson; great-great grandchildren, Chloe Cairel, Rylie Cairel, Lucas Cairel, Autumn Moody, and baby boy Moody (expected in August 2022); and a host of many loving nieces, nephews, and extended family and friends.

A Celebration of Life for Mrs. Thomas was held at Archer-Milton Funeral Home on Friday, May 6. Mrs. Thomas was laid to rest immediately following the service at Elzey Chapel Cemetery. Services were officiated by Terry Elixson.

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## Linda Williams

STARKE Linda Elaine Williams, a loving wife, mother, sister, aunt, and Nena, of Starke passed away peacefully surrounded by her husband and children on Monday, May 2, 2022 at the age of 70. Linda was born in Charleston, South Carolina on Jan. 11, 1952 to the late Margie (Cochran) Crawford and Dewayne Harrison. Linda spent most of her life working with her family at Williams Jewelry. You would remember seeing her greet you when you walked in the door. Linda loved spending time with her kids and grandkids. The love Linda had for her husband was one of a kind. She looked forward to their Sunday Mustang rides. They would just hop in the car and drive, not ever knowing the destination. She loved the ocean and is now dancing on the beach in heaven. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her brother, Dewayne (John) Harrison; sister, Sherri (ChiChi) Harrison; and mother- and father-in-law, Charney and Milta Williams.

She is survived by: her loving husband of 53 years, Earl David Williams Sr. of Starke; three children, Earl David (Shelley) Williams Jr. of Starke, Dana Williams (Jess) McSwain of Tallahassee, and Stephanie Williams (Audley) Catalano of Perry; seven grandchildren, Sean, Ashley, Jade, Lanson, Savannah, Davin and Shayney; two great-grandchildren, Charney and Madely; her three sisters, Beverly Cochran of Charleston, South Carolina, Joyce Listi of Anahuac, Texas, and Debra Gilpin of Starke; her sisters-in-law, Brenda Griffis, Vicki Forsyth, and Sherry Harrison; along with host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

There will be a celebration of life on Saturday, May 14, at 11 a.m. at the DeWitt C. Jones Chapel of Jones-Gallagher Funeral Home for family and close friends. Pastor Scott Crook will officiate.

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## Lisa Wilson

JACKSONVILLE Lisa Longchamp Wilson, age 72, of Jacksonville went to her heavenly home on Sunday, May 8, 2022, at the Custead Hospice Care Center, Haven Hospice in Orange Park with her loving family by her side. Lisa was born in St. Ephrem, Canada on June 17, 1949, to the late Albert Longchamp Jr., and Mary Doyon Longchamp. At the age of 2, Lisa and her family relocated to Jacksonville, where she was raised. She graduated from Nathan B. Forrest High School in 1967 and shortly after started her life as a mother and tended to her sweet family. Lisa was an amazing mother and devoted her life to her daughters. She enjoyed being a homemaker and in her younger years she enjoyed bowling and dancing. Most of all, Lisa will be remembered as a loving daughter, mother, grandmother, and friend who poured her love onto those around her as she had a genuine care for others. She was preceded in death by her parents, Albert and Mary Longchamp and Mary Doyon Longchamp.

Lisa is survived by: her daughters, Lynda Barnes of Starke and Nancy (Tony) Longobucco of Nicaragua; grandchildren, Amber Bennett, Jamie (Sarah) Barnes, Logan Longobucco; and great-grandchildren, Brinley, Jordyn, Camden and Addilyn.

A private celebration will be held at Crosby Lake Cemetery with Chaplain Jim Cox officiating.

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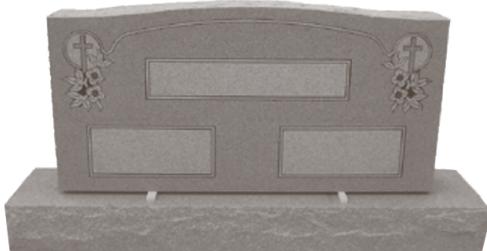
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# Tigers score 8 in 4th, win 12-2 to claim District 6-1A title

BY CLIFF SMELLEY  
Telegraph Staff Writer

Jay Cohen hit a three-run triple as part of an eight-run fourth inning as the second-seed Union County High School baseball team defeated fourth-seed Hilliard 12-2 in 4.5 innings to win the District 6-1A championship on May 5 in Fort White.

It was the Tigers' sixth straight appearance in the district championship game and just the second time they won it. They also won the title in 2018.

"It always feels good to be district champion," Head Coach Travis Rimes said.

Union (14-11) will host a Region 3 semifinal game on Tuesday, May 10, at 7 p.m. against an opponent to be named.

Hilliard (18-7) took a 2-0 lead. Kaden Hobbs reached on an error in the top of the first, advanced all the way to third on another error and scored on a double by Braden Bentley. Then, in the second, Brayden Allen, who walked, scored on a single by Hobbs.

The Tigers got on the board in the bottom of the second when Tre'Von Lee doubled, moved to third on an Ayden Elixson single and scored on Eli Rimes' sacrifice bunt.

Union took a 4-2 lead in the third. Quinten Rawls and Cohen reached on walks before a Lee single scored Rawls. Elixson then singled to plate two.

After a slow start, the Tigers

were beginning to find their groove.

"We kind of settled down after (Hilliard scored twice)," Coach Rimes said. "We started seeing the ball, made them run through pitchers and got on a roll."

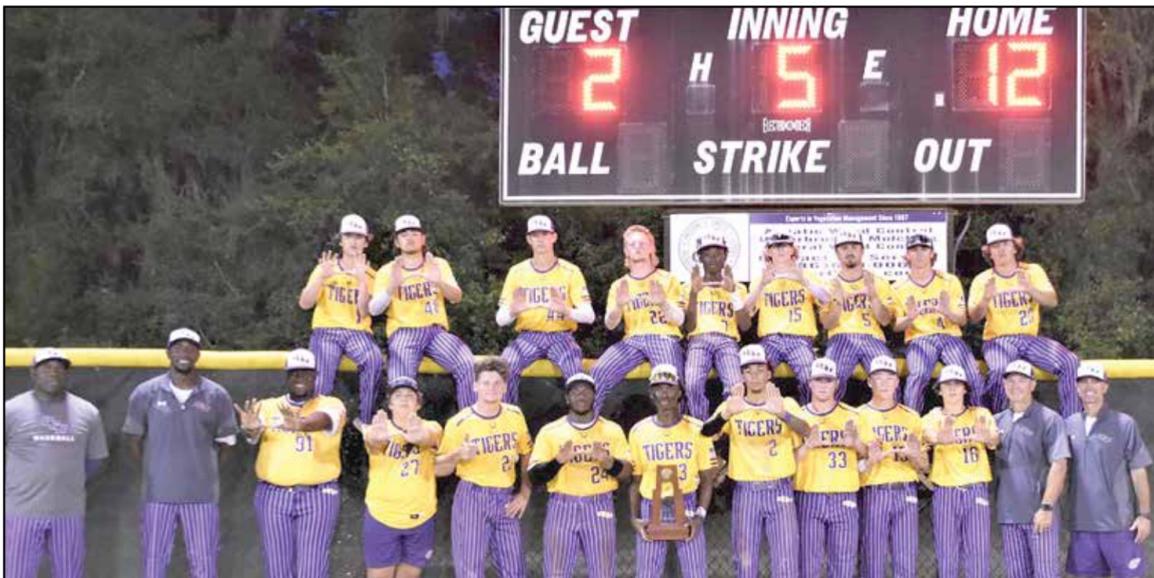
Union was certainly rolling in the fourth inning. The Tigers loaded the bases when Trevor Holtzendorf and Jake O'Steen walked and Rawls was hit by a pitch. Cohen then stepped to the plate and delivered a triple that put Union ahead 7-2. Lee and Elixson hit back-to-back singles to drive in a run each. After Rimes and Blake Agner were hit by pitches, Holtzendorf came up to bat again, hitting a two-run double. A Riggs Davis ground out enabled courtesy runner Devin Diggs to score the inning's eighth run.

Cohen and Elixson, who went 2 for 2 and 3 for 3, respectively, had three RBI each. Lee, who went 3 for 3, and Holtzendorf each had two RBI, while Davis and Rimes each had one.

Ethan Moody earned the win, giving up four hits and three walks, while striking out seven.

Moody has missed the majority of the season as far as from a pitching standpoint. He broke a bone in his wrist while batting in the first game of the season. After a five-week absence, he returned to pitch approximately a game and a half before missing another week due to sun poisoning.

The district championship



The District 6-1A championship Tigers pose for a photo following their 12-2 win over Hilliard: (front, l-r) assistant coaches Tyler Cohen and Jiwan James, Cameron Williams, Colby Dukes, Trevor Holtzendorf, Jay Cohen, Quinten Rawls, Tre'Von Lee, Ethan Moody, Eli Rimes, Riggs Davis, Head Coach Travis Rimes, Assistant Coach Joey O'Steen, (back, l-r) Jake Walker, Luke Johns, Ayden Elixson, Blake Agner, Devin Diggs, Bryson Huggins, Jeff Cook, Jake O'Steen and Haiden Barringer. Photo by Lisa Holtzendorf.

game was his first action since his latest setback. Coach Rimes said he knew Moody would be a little rusty at first, but he told his pitcher to just focus on pitching. The rest of the team would help him out by playing defense behind him and getting hits.

"We're going to help you out," Rimes said his told Moody.

Rimes said he liked what he

saw from Moody as the game progressed.

"Once we started hitting, then he came in and started hitting his pitches," Rimes said. "He did what he had to do then."

## Tigers advanced with 6-3 victory

The Tigers scored runs in

each of the first three innings in defeating third-seed Fort White 6-3 in the District 6 semifinals on May 4.

Union scored the first three runs, starting with a run in the

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## UCHS season ends in regional semifinals

BY CLIFF SMELLEY  
Telegraph Staff Writer

Fort White's Daniel Gonzalez hit a double that broke a 2-2 tie in the top of the ninth as the Union County High School baseball team was eliminated from the Region 3-1A playoffs with a 4-2 semifinal loss to the visiting Indians on May 10.

The Indians (15-6) now travel to play Lafayette (17-3) for the Region 3 championship on Friday, May 13.

With the exception of Ayden Elixson, Union (14-12) struggled against pitchers Dylan Lovelace and Jonathan Fischer. Elixson went 3 for 3 and drove in both of the Tigers' runs, while the rest of the team went 3 for 31.

It didn't look as if it would be an offensive struggle at first as Quinten Rawls led off the bottom of the first with a double. After Jay Cohen was intentionally walked, Elixson hit a two-out single to score both runners and put the Tigers ahead 2-0.

Fort White loaded the bases in the third on a single and two walks. Easton Flynn singled to score two runs and tie the game.

Flynn's hit was only the third allowed by Union pitcher Luke Johns up to that point. Johns gave up four hits total and struck out six in going eight innings.

With one out in the top of the ninth, Flynn hit a one-out single. Zander Eyjolfsson then bunted, with pitcher Quinten Rawls fielding the ball and throwing it to second in an attempt to get the

lead runner out. The throw pulled second baseman Jake O'Steen away from the bag. Gonzalez then stepped to the plate and doubled into center field as the Indians scored two runs.

Blake Agner reached on an error and advanced to second to lead off the bottom of the ninth. He moved to third on Trevor Holtzendorf's ground out. After another ground out, Fischer, who was pitching, caught a line drive by Rawls to end the game.

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**NOTICE OF ACTION**  
TO: CLYDE D. TAYLOR, AND UNKNOWN TENANTS, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES, AND ALL OTHER PARTIES CLAIMING ANY ESTATE, RIGHT, TITLE, OR INTEREST BY, THROUGH, OR AGAINST CLYDE D. TAYLOR, OR IN THE REAL PROPERTY HEREIN DESCRIBED.  
YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action to quiet title to real property described as:

THE WEST 1/2 OF THE NORTH 1/2 OF THE NE 1/4 OF SE 1/4 OF SECTION 21, TOWNSHIP 5 SOUTH, RANGE 22 EAST, BRADFORD COUNTY, FLORIDA. ALSO KNOWN AS LOT 22, WOODLAWN, OF SAID SECTION 21, AND AS PER PLAT RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 1, PAGE 17 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF SAID COUNTY. SUBJECT TO THE RIGHT OF WAY OF COUNTY ROAD 225. has been filed against you and that you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses/response, if any, to it on Veronica R. Owens, Esquire., Attorney for the Plaintiff, whose address is 189 S. Lawrence Blvd, Keystone Heights, FL 32656, on or before May 31, 2022, and file the original with the Clerk of this Court at 945 N. Temple Avenue, Starke, FL 32091, before service on Plaintiff or immediately thereafter. If you fail to do so, a default may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

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. Future papers in this lawsuit will be mailed or e-mailed to the addresses on record.  
Dated: April 14, 2022  
DENNY THOMPSON  
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR BRADFORD COUNTY, FLORIDA  
PROBATE DIVISION  
File No. 2200009CPAXMX  
IN RE: ESTATE OF JOSEPH DAVID LUKE  
Deceased.

**NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION**  
(intestate)  
The administration of the estate of JOSEPH DAVID LUKE, deceased, is pending in the Circuit Court for BRADFORD COUNTY, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 945 N Temple Ave, Starke, FL 32091. The file number for the estate is 2200009CPAXMX. The estate is intestate.

The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below. The fiduciary lawyer-client privilege in section 90.5021, Florida Statutes, applies with respect to the personal representative and any attorney employed by the personal representative. Any interested person on whom a copy of the notice of administration is served must file with the court, on or before the date that is 3 months after the date of service of a copy of the Notice of Administration on that person, any objection that challenges venue or jurisdiction of the court. The 3 month time period may only be extended for estoppel based upon a misstatement by the personal representative regarding the time period within which an objection must be filed. The time period may not be extended for any other reason, including affirmative representation, failure to disclose information, or misconduct by the personal representative or any other person. Unless sooner barred by section 733.212(3), Florida Statutes, all objections to venue or the jurisdiction of the court must be filed no later than the earlier of the entry of an order of final discharge of the personal representative or 1 year after service of the notice of administration. Persons who may be entitled to exempt property under section 732.402, Florida Statutes, will be

deemed to have waived their rights to claim that property as exempt property unless a petition for determination of exempt property is filed by such persons or on their behalf on or before the later of the date that is 4 months after the date of service of a copy of the notice of administration on such persons or the date that is 40 days after the date of termination of any proceedings involving the construction, admission to probate, or validity of the will or involving any other matter affecting any part of the exempt property.

An election to take an elective share must be filed on or before the earlier of the date that is 6 months after the date of service of a copy of the notice of administration on the surviving spouse, an agent under chapter 709, Florida Statutes, or a guardian of the property of the surviving spouse; or the date that is 2 years after the date of the decedent's death.  
Personal Representative:  
/s/ Deborah Luke  
Deborah Luke  
1817 Truman Dr  
Lawtey, FL 32058  
Attorney for Personal Representative:  
/s/ Bradley J. Busbin  
Bradley J. Busbin, Esq.  
Email: Brad@BusbinLaw.com  
Florida Bar No.: 0127504  
Busbin Law Firm, P.A.  
2295 S. Hiwassee Road, Suite 207  
Orlando, FL 32835  
Telephone: (407) 955-4595  
Fax: (407) 627-0318  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT IN AND FOR BRADFORD COUNTY, FLORIDA  
PROBATE DIVISION  
File Number: 04-2021-CP-000115  
**AMENDED PETITION FOR SUMMARY ADMINISTRATION**  
IN THE ESTATE OF: CORNELIUS C. SCOTT, Deceased

You are hereby notified that an Amended Petition For Summary Administration has been filed in Bradford county, Florida, Probate Division, Clerk of Court, Bradford County, Probate Division, 945 North Temple Avenue, Starke, Florida 32091. The decedent's date of death was May 06, 2021. The total value of the estate is \$5,886.00. The name's of the beneficiaries are as follows: Mary Beth Scott, address unknown, Neil C. Scott, Daniel R. Scott, Douglas Scott, Michael Scott, and Cleighton Scott. You are required to respond with any claims or demands against decedent's estate to the Clerk of the Court, Bradford County, Probate Division, File Number: 04-2021-CP-000115, in the estate of Cornelius C. Scott.

A hearing is scheduled for Case Management Conference on Monday, June 20, 2022, at 11:30am, as to the status of providing formal notice to Mary Beth Scott, and as to subsequent amendments to the petition to reflect surviving spouse's intestate share of the estate.

Petitioner  
Daniel R. Scott  
645 Lake Susan Road  
Hawthorne, Florida 32640  
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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 May 17, 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.bradfordcountynyfl.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 of Intent**  
To Whom It May Concern:  
Florida Gateway College intends to designate the position of Dean of Enrollment and Marketing for inclusion in the Senior Management Service Class (SMSC) of the Florida Retirement System. This is in accord with Florida Statute 121.055 (1) (b) 1.b  
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**Notice of Intent**  
To Whom It May Concern:  
Florida Gateway College intends to designate the position of Associate Dean of Libraries and Institutional Effectiveness for inclusion in the Senior Management Service Class (SMSC) of the Florida Retirement System. This is in accord with Florida Statute 121.055 (1) (b) 1.b  
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**Notice of Intent**  
To Whom It May Concern:  
Florida Gateway College intends to designate the position of Associate Dean of Student Affairs for inclusion in the Senior Management Service Class (SMSC) of the Florida Retirement System. This is in accord with Florida Statute 121.055 (1) (b) 1.b

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IN THE 8th JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COURT IN AND FOR BRADFORD COUNTY, FLORIDA  
Case No. 2021 CA 455  
21<sup>st</sup> MORTGAGE CORPORATION, Plaintiff  
vs.  
TONY RAY LINDSEY; REBECCA JEAN JONES; and UNKNOWN TENANT  
Defendant.

**NOTICE OF SALE**  
NOTICE IS GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment dated April 20, 2022 entered in Case No. 2021 CA 455, of the Circuit Court in and for Bradford County, Florida, wherein TONY RAY LINDSEY and REBECCA JEAN JONES are the Defendants, that Denny Thompson, the Clerk at the Circuit Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, at the Clerk of the Circuit Court, in the lobby of the Bradford County Courthouse, 945 North Temple Ave., Starke, Florida 32091 on JUNE 30, 2022, beginning at 11:00 a.m., on the prescribed date, the following described real property as set forth in the Final Judgment: Legal: SEE ATTACHED EXHIBIT "A" EXHIBIT A:  
A parcel of land lying in Section 1, Township 5 South, Range 21 East, Bradford County, Florida. Said parcel being more particularly described as follows:

Commence at a concrete monument found at the Northeast corner of the West 1/2 of Southwest 1/4 of Northeast 1/4 of said Section 1 and run South 02 degrees 11 minutes 02 seconds East, along the Easterly boundary thereof 198.11 feet; thence South 88 degrees 19 minutes 56 West, 876.95 feet to a found 4 x 4 concrete monument; thence South 2 degrees 32 minutes 03 seconds East, 197.53 feet to a set 1/2" iron rod (LB 4012) for the Point of Beginning. From the Point of Beginning thus described continued South 02 degrees 32 minutes 03 seconds East, 197.53 feet to a set 1/2" iron rod (LB 4012); thence South 88 degrees 25 minutes 22 seconds West, 220.61 feet to a set 1/2" iron rod (LB4012); thence North 02 degrees 31 minutes 15 seconds West, 197.53 feet to a set 1/2" iron rod (LB 4012); thence North 88 degrees 25 minutes 23 seconds East, 220.57 feet to the Point of Beginning.

Together with an easement for Ingress, Egress & Utilities over the following described parcel:

Commence at the Northwest corner of the above described Parcel for the Point of Beginning and run South 02 degrees 31 minutes 15 seconds East, along the Westerly boundary thereof 50.0 feet; thence South 87 degrees 28 minutes 45 seconds West, at right angles to said Westerly boundary 30.0 feet; thence North 02 degrees 30 minutes 09 seconds West, 377.03 feet to the Southerly boundary of the right of way of County Road NW 261st Street; thence North 84 degrees 04 minutes 36 seconds East, 30.00 feet; Thence South 02 degrees 29 minutes 27 seconds East, 131.28 feet, to a Found 3 inch X 3 inch concrete monument (No Identification); Thence South 02 degrees 31 minutes 15 seconds East, 197.53 feet; to a Set Rebar & Cap (1/2 inch LB4012); to the Point of Beginning.

All lying and being in Bradford County, Florida.  
TOGETHER WITH A 2021 LIVE OAK 76X32 MANUFACTURED HOME BEARING SERIAL NO.'S: LOHGA22035694A AND LOHGA22035694B.

NOTICE IF YOU ARE A PERSON CLAIMING A RIGHT TO FUNDS REMAINING AFTER THE SALE, YOU MUST FILE A CLAIM WITH THE CLERK NO LATER THAN THE DATE THAT THE CLERK REPORTS THE FUNDS AS UNCLAIMED. IF YOU FAIL TO FILE A CLAIM, YOU WILL NOT BE ENTITLED TO ANY REMAINING FUNDS. AFTER THE FUNDS ARE REPORTED AS UNCLAIMED, ONLY THE OWNER OF RECORD AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS MAY CLAIM THE SURPLUS.  
Dated this April 29, 2022  
As Clerk of Circuit Court  
By: L Brannon  
Deputy Clerk

NOTICE If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact Bradford County Clerk of the Court, 945 North Temple Ave., Starke, Florida 32091 and whose telephone number is 904-966-6280, within two working days of your receipt of this notice. If you are hearing or voice impaired, call 1-800-955-8711.  
CC:  
via U.S. Mail to:  
Attorney for Plaintiff, Leslie S. White, Esq., 420 S. Orange Avenue, Suite 700, PO Box 2346, Orlando, FL 32801;  
Defendant  
U.S. Mail to: Tony Ray Lindsey, 26080 NW 68<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Lawtey, FL 32058; Rebecca Jean Jones, 26080 NW 68<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Lawtey, FL 32058  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR BRADFORD COUNTY, FLORIDA  
PROBATE DIVISION  
File No.: 04-2021-CP-000153-CPAXMX  
IN RE: ESTATE OF RICHARD K. MILLAR  
Deceased.  
Division: Probate  
**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**  
The administration of the Estate

of Richard K. Millar, deceased, whose date of death was September 7, 2021, is pending in the Circuit Court, Eighth Judicial Circuit, in and for Bradford County, Florida, Probate Division, File No. 04-2021-CP-000153-CPAXMX, the address of which is 945 N. Temple Avenue, Starke, FL 32091. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

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

All other creditors of the decedent and other persons who have claims or demands against the decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN THREE (3) MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE. ALL CLAIMS NOT SO FILED 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: May 12, 2022.  
Scott L Glazier, Esq.  
Florida Bar No.: 0516007  
Vivile R. Dietrich, Esq.  
Florida Bar No.: 0557250  
Attorneys for Personal Representative  
GLAZIER, GLAZIER & DIETRICH, P.A. 8833 Perimeter Park Blvd., Suite 1002 Jacksonville, FL 32216  
Telephone: (904) 997-1033  
Facsimile: (904) 997-1733  
Email: sglazier@glazierlawfirm.com  
Email: vdiétrich@glazierlawfirm.com  
Victoria M. Duncan  
Personal Representative  
4853 White Bluff Road  
Jacksonville, FL 32225  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR BRADFORD COUNTY, FLORIDA  
PROBATE DIVISION  
FILE NO.: 2022-47-CP  
DIVISION: 53  
IN RE: ESTATE OF ADELIN M. TESKE  
Deceased.

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**  
The administration of the estate of ADELIN M. TESKE, deceased, whose date of death was April 13, 2022, is pending in the Circuit Court for Bradford County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is P.O. Drawer B, Starke, FL 32091. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice 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 May 12, 2022.  
Attorney for Personal Representative:  
GEORGE A. YOUNG, Attorney  
Florida Bar Number: 0051728  
Satsuma, Florida 32189  
Holmes & Young, P.A.  
222 N. 3rd Street  
Palatka, Florida 32177  
Telephone: (386) 328-1111  
Fax: (386) 328-3003  
E-Mail: pleadings@holmesandyoung.com  
Personal Representative:  
MICHAEL D. TESKE  
129 Cleo Lane  
Satsuma, Florida 32189  
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**City of Hampton  
Citizen Advisory Task Force  
(CATF) Meeting Notice**  
The City of Hampton will conduct a meeting of its Citizen Advisory Task Force (CATF) at the City of Hampton City Hall, which is located at 5784 Navarre Ave., Hampton, FL 32044 on Wednesday, May 25, 2022 at 4:00 p.m. The CATF will meet to discuss funding options for the Community Development Block Grant program. For more information concerning this meeting, contact Mary Lou Hildreth, City Clerk/City Administrator at (352) 468-1201.  
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**CITY OF HAMPTON FIRST PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE**  
The City of Hampton is considering

applying to the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO) for one or more Small Cities Community Development Block Grants (CDBG) for the 2021-2022 CDBG program year. Each grant is expected to not exceed \$600,000. CDBG funds may be used for one of the following purposes: 1. To benefit low- and moderate-income persons; 2. To aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight; or 3. To meet other community development needs of recent origin having a particular urgency because existing conditions pose a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community and where other financial resources are not available to meet such needs. The categories of activities for which these funds may be used are in the areas of housing, neighborhood revitalization, commercial revitalization, or economic development and include such improvement activities as acquisition of real property, loans to private-for-profit business, purchase of machinery and equipment, construction of infrastructure, planning/design, rehabilitation of houses and commercial buildings, and energy conservation.

In developing an application for submission to DEO, the City of Hampton must plan to minimize displacement of persons as a result of planned CDBG activities. In addition, the City is required to develop a plan to assist displaced persons. A public hearing to receive citizen views concerning the community's economic and community development needs will be held on Wednesday, May 25, 2022 at 4:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as may be heard, at the City of Hampton City Hall located at 5784 Navarre Ave., Hampton, FL 32044. Additional information regarding the range of activities that may be undertaken with funding from the CDBG grant program will be provided at the public hearing. Additional information may also be obtained prior to the Public Hearing by contacting Mary Lou Hildreth, City Clerk/City Administrator at (352) 468-1201. Also, comments or questions may be submitted to Ms. Hildreth by email at coh1@outlook.com, or by postal service at P. O. Drawer 250, Hampton, Florida 32044.

The public hearing will be conducted in a handicapped accessible location. Any handicapped person requiring an interpreter for the hearing impaired or the visually impaired or requiring any other special accommodation should contact the City at the phone number listed above at least five calendar days prior to the meeting so that arrangements can be made for an interpreter or other special accommodation. To access a Telecommunication Device for Deaf Persons (TDD) please call (1-800-877-8339). Any non-English speaking person wishing to attend the public hearing should contact the City at the phone number listed above so that arrangements for a language interpreter can be made.  
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**CITY OF HAMPTON  
Fair Housing Public Information Meeting**

The City of Hampton will conduct a fair housing public information meeting at the City of Hampton City Hall located at 5784 Navarre Ave., Hampton, FL 32044 on Wednesday, May 25, 2022 at 4:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as may be heard. The meeting is intended to provide the general public, property owners, housing professionals, and local elected officials with information concerning fair housing requirements. Anyone interested in understanding the importance of fair housing should attend. For more information concerning this meeting contact Mary Lou Hildreth, City Clerk/City Administrator at (352) 468-1201. Also, persons seeking additional information about fair housing issues may contact the following toll-free hotlines 1-800-242-8170 (Florida Commission of Human Relations) or 1-800-669-9777 (HUD-Washington, D.C.)  
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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE:**  
MIRACLE AUTOMOTIVE & TRUCK SERVICE CENTER INC. gives notice that on 05/27/2022 at 12:00 PM the following vehicle(s) may be sold by public sale at 620 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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**NOTICE**  
Notice is hereby given that RIVERWOOD HEALTHCARE & REHABILITATION CENTER LLC, OWNER, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of RIVERWOOD HEALTHCARE & REHABILITATION CENTER located at 808 S COLLEY ROAD, STARKE, FLORIDA 32091 intends to register the said name in BRADFORD county with the Division of Corporations, Florida Department of State, pursuant to section 865.09 of the Florida Statutes.  
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**NOTICE**  
The City of Starke Florida will hold a City Commission Meeting on May 24, 2022 at 5:30 pm at City Hall, 209 North Thompson Street, Starke, Florida 32091 during which the second reading and a vote will occur for the following ordinances:  
ORDINANCE NUMBER 2022-08  
AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF STARKE, FLORIDA CREATING CHAPTER 39 CITY COMMISSION ELECTION DISTRICTS OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF STARKE; ESTABLISHING FIVE RATABLE OR EQUALLY PROPORTIONED ELECTION DISTRICTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FINAL ORDER ON REMEDIAL ELECTION PLAN OF THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT, MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA DATED JUNE 29, 1989; ESTABLISHING RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS TO CANDIDATES SEEKING ELECTION TO SUCH SINGLE-MEMBER CITY COMMISSION DISTRICTS; RECONCILING DIFFERENCES IN TERMINOLOGY EXISTING BETWEEN THIS ORDINANCE AND APPLICABLE PROVISIONS OF THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF STARKE; PROVIDING DIRECTION FOR THE CODIFICATION OF THIS ORDINANCE; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE  
ORDINANCE NUMBER 2022-09  
AN ORDINANCE PERTAINING TO WATER AND WASTEWATER SERVICE WITHIN THE CITY OF STARKE; ESTABLISHING THE SCHEDULE OF WATER AND WASTEWATER RATES AND CHARGES OF THE CITY OF STARKE; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE  
The ordinances are available for public inspection at City Hall, 209 North Thompson Street, Starke, Florida 32091. Interested parties may appear and have an opportunity to be heard at the meeting with respect to the proposed ordinances.  
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**City of Starke  
CITY OF STARKE FIRST PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE**  
The City of Starke is considering applying to the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO) for one or more Small Cities Community Development Block Grants (CDBG) for the 2020-21 CDBG federal fiscal year (FFY). Each grant is expected to not exceed \$700,000. CDBG funds may be used for one of the following purposes: 1. To benefit low- and moderate-income persons; 2. To aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight; or 3. To meet other community development needs of recent origin having a particular urgency because existing conditions pose a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community and where other financial resources are not available to meet such needs. The categories of activities for which these funds may be used are in the areas of housing, neighborhood revitalization, commercial revitalization, or economic development and include such improvement activities as acquisition of real property, loans to private-for-profit business, purchase of machinery and equipment, construction of infrastructure, planning/design, rehabilitation of houses and commercial buildings, and energy conservation.

In developing an application for submission to DEO, the City of Starke must plan to minimize displacement of persons as a result of planned CDBG activities. In addition, the City is required to develop a plan to assist displaced persons. A public hearing to receive citizen views concerning the community's economic and community development needs will be held on Tuesday, May 24, 2022 at 5:30 p.m., or as soon thereafter as may be heard, at the City of Starke City Hall located at 209 North Thompson Street, Starke, FL 32091. Additional information regarding the range of activities that may be undertaken with funding from the CDBG grant program will be provided at the public hearing. Additional information may also be obtained prior to the Public Hearing by contacting Lisa Heeder, Deputy Clerk at (904) 964-5027. Also, comments or questions (and requests for additional information) may be submitted to Ms. Heeder by email at lheeder@cityofstarke.org, or by postal service at 209 North Thompson Street, Starke, Florida 32091.

The public hearing will be conducted in a handicapped accessible location. Any handicapped person requiring an interpreter for the hearing impaired or the visually impaired or requiring any other special accommodation should contact the City at the phone number listed above at least five calendar days prior to the meeting so that arrangements can be made for an interpreter or other special accommodation. To access a Telecommunication Device for Deaf Persons (TDD) please call (1-800-877-8339). Any non-English speaking person wishing to attend the public hearing should contact the City at the phone number listed above so that arrangements for a language interpreter can be made.  
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homer.  
 "I knew that ball was going to be past the outfield, but I did not know it was going over," Marquart said. "I was so excited for her."  
 Keystone's third inning was still not done. With two outs, Kinley Carlton launched a homer of her own to give the Indians and pitcher Madi Mitzel a seven-run cushion.  
 That was plenty of run support for Mitzel, who gave up five hits

and just one walk.  
 Santa Fe (13-10), which put a runner on in each of the first three innings, did so again in the fourth. Brooklyn MacDougall walked with one out. Myah Johnson entered to run for MacDougall and scored on a Maddie Martin double.  
 The Indians answered with four runs in the bottom of the inning. With two outs and no one on, Rogel walked, followed by a Kinsal single. Both scored on a single by Channell. After Roach was hit by a pitch, Mitzel and Carlton each hit an RBI single to make the score 11-1.

Kinsal ended the game with an RBI single after Keystone loaded the bases in the bottom of the fifth.  
 Keystone finished with 10 hits as a team.  
 "I told them, 'Hey. Be patient, get your pitch and hit it hard.' They did exactly that," Marquart said.  
 Kinsal went 3 for 4 with an RBI, while Carlton was 2 for 3 with two RBI.  
 Roach led the team with the four RBI off her grand slam. Channell had two RBI, while Mitzel and Rogel each had one.

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of the fifth with an infield single. One out later, she scored on a triple by Clark. Hailey Rivera drew a walk before Cowgirls pitcher Driggers fielded a ground ball hit by Williams. Driggers was able to hold Clark at third, while throwing Williams out at first. Union's Hayley Burke then walked to load the bases. Mackenzie Clemons took four straight balls to walk as well and force a run in, making the score 5-4.

Driggers, who had thrown seven straight balls at that point, was replaced by Kelsie Shea Thompson, who recorded a strikeout to get out of the inning with Madison clinging to a one-run lead.  
 Madison's first two batters in the top of the sixth reached on infield singles. A. ground out to shortstop by Morgan Sevour scored Driggers to increase the Cowgirls' lead to 6-4.  
 After the Tigers went three up and three down in the bottom of the sixth, the Cowgirls added another run in the seventh. Irvine hit a leadoff single, advanced

on Archambault's sacrifice bunt and scored on a Kelsie Shea Thompson single that dropped into shallow center field.  
 Hailey Rivera reached on a one-out walk in the bottom of the seventh. Williams hit a ball into the outfield, but right fielder Irvine fired a throw to second base to get Rivera out. Burke then drew a walk to put two runners on for the Tigers, but Thompson recorded a strikeout to end the game.  
 Union finished with four hits against Driggers and Thompson, with Clark going 2 for 4 with two RBI.

# TIGERS

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bottom of the first when Rawls hit a leadoff double, advanced to third on O'Steen's ground out and scored on Cohen's ground

out.  
 Rimes hit a single to lead off the bottom of the second, but was in danger of being left stranded after two straight outs. However, Rimes, who stole second and advanced to third on a Hotzendorf ground out, scored on a single by Davis. Davis

would later score on a wild pitch to put the Tigers ahead 3-0.  
 Fort White cut Union's lead to one in the top of the third. The first two batters of the inning — Lecosta Byrd and Daniel Gonzalez — were hit by pitches. Both scored on Easton Flynn's ground out to second.

The Indians also had two doubles in the inning they were unable to take advantage of. They were the first two hits given up by Tigers pitcher Luke Johns, who gave up four overall in a complete-game effort. Johns gave up no walks and struck out seven to earn the win.

Cohen and Lee, who each finished 2 for 3, hit a double and a single, respectively, to lead off the bottom of the third. Cohen's steal of home made the score 4-2. Lee scored the Tigers' fifth run a sacrifice fly by Elixson.  
 Johns struck out the first two batters he faced in the fifth, but

Fort White scored a run when Flynn, who doubled, scored on a Brad Sullivan single.  
 Union scored the game's last run in the sixth. Elixson hit a leadoff double and scored on a double by Agner.

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# Football teams are in the midst of spring practices

BY CLIFF SMELLEY  
Telegraph Staff Writer

Spring practices are underway for high school football teams in Florida, with each coach focusing on something different as their players get an early taste of pads and helmets before the start of fall practices in August.

Union County is participating in a shorter spring than Bradford and Keystone Heights as the Tigers will travel to play The Villages in a game on Friday, May 13, at 7 p.m. Union is coming off a 10-3 season in which it fell just short of winning the Region 3-1A championship, losing by two points to Chiefland. An unsuccessful two-point conversion in the final minute prevented the Tigers from tying the score.

Keystone, which hosts Middleburg on Monday, May 23, at 7 p.m., is coming off the best season in school history. The Indians went 10-2 and won the first playoff game in program history.

Bradford will host Oakleaf on Friday, May 27, at 6:30 p.m. The Tornados, who went 6-6 and qualified for the playoffs for the seventh straight year, are having to adapt to a new head coach.

## Transitional spring

Jamie Rodgers has taken over as Bradford's head coach after Brian Tomlinson was relieved of his duties. Therefore, he and his staff are in the midst of implementing new schemes.

"First and foremost, we've got to get our systems in, offense and defense," Rodgers said of the main goal this spring.

Learning new systems impacted a scrimmage the Tornados had on May 7, with Rodgers saying, "We had to stop and coach a lot more than what we will by the time August gets here."



**Jametrius Pringle runs after making a catch in Bradford's May 7 scrimmage. Photos by Cliff Smelley.**

Rodgers said his evaluation of his team's scrimmage performance, as he watched it in real time, will most likely change upon further review.

"When I watch the film, it probably won't be as bad as I thought; it's probably not going to be as good as I thought at times," he said immediately following the scrimmage. "Just watching it with the naked eye, there were some things I thought we did really, really good, and then there were some things I think we need to work on."

"Today's our fourth day in pads, so I expected it to be a little sloppy at times, but for the most part, the guys are getting after it and working hard."

Rodgers said he and his staff already know which players are going to fill some positions, but the spring game will help in their overall evaluation.

"We're blessed with some

skilled players, so we kind of know who's kind of near the top," Rodgers said, "but there are a lot of positions that are open. A lot of that will be determined the rest of the spring, and then we'll get a lot of film against Oakleaf on May 27."

The younger players for Bradford and Oakleaf will play each other to start the May 27 game. Rodgers said varsity level players will probably take the field between 7:15 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Rodgers said one of the top goals of the spring game is for his team to come away healthy. Another is for his players to live up to his standard of playing hard all the time.

"If I look on the film, and I see somebody loafing or not going hard, I'm going to be upset," he said. "By the time we get 10, 11 or 12 more practices under our belts, they'll need to be up to our standard and how hard we want to play."

## Time to get tough

While Bradford is adjusting to a new coach, Union is in "midseason" form, according to Head Coach Andrew Thomas, alluding to the fact that his team consists of a lot of returning players.

"We've got an experienced team, so we're a lot deeper in the playbook right now than we were a year ago," Thomas said. "That's always good when you're not at the basic steps of just installing stuff."

The goal is for the players to perfect what they've already learned during their time in the program.

Another goal focuses on the Tigers' style of play.

"For me, the spring is about developing a toughness about us," Thomas said. "We're going to hit a lot in practice and try

to get physical and get our kids ready for that mentality."

Therefore, when he looks at what would constitute a win in the spring game aside from what's on the scoreboard, Thomas said it's to see his players demonstrate the physicality he's wanting.

"If we play well, but we play soft, that's going to disappoint me," Thomas said.

He also expects to see his team play in a way that demonstrates its experience.

"With the team we've got, it's being crisp, not being sloppy," Thomas said. "Even though it's spring, I feel like we've got enough experience that we ought to be able to be smooth in what we do for the most part."

The Tigers have high expectations after last season. Thomas thinks he's got a team

that's capable of meeting those expectations, but there's a lot of work to do still.

"This team's got a chance to be good," Thomas said. "We're not good yet. We haven't done anything, but I think we can develop some depth, which will go a long way in getting us to where we want to be in December next year."

## Teaching technique

For Keystone Head Coach Chuck Dickinson, the spring involves a lot of teaching. One of the things he believes his team needs to do to have a chance at success is to be strong. Another is to be fundamentally sound in its play.

"We try to teach our kids the most we can about technique," Dickinson said. "For us, we've got to be good at that."

As in recent years, the Indians will most likely rely on players to play multiple positions. Therefore, it's important to identify what different positions a player can fill and be good in. That sometimes involves taking a returning starter and trying him somewhere new.

"You have a great idea of where kids can play, but I like trying kids at different positions that might work out for us," Dickinson said. "A prime example is Trey Jeffries working at fullback right now on the offensive side of the ball. Last year, he was mainly a D-lineman, O-lineman."

The Indians want to win their spring game against Middleburg, of course, but Dickinson knows that the result in spring doesn't determine what happens in the fall.

"Last year, we got beat 21-0, but that had no bearing on the season," Dickinson said, adding, "Yeah, you want to win. It's important to try to win. We're going to play to win, but for me,



**Bryar Schenck catches a pass during Keystone's May 9 practice.**

it's more about getting kids on the field and making sure there's nobody we missed out here (in practices) who can contribute."

A spring football game is just one more activity in a busy month for high schools.

"There are so many things going on at this time of year, so I'm more concerned with the individual technique and making sure the kids learn what we're trying to instill in them," Dickinson said.

Dickinson said a lot of eighth-graders are participating in practices. The spring game can show how many of those players can be contributors as freshmen. Dickinson used Tyler Duncan as an example. Duncan was a starter at offensive guard every game last year as a ninth-grader.

"As an eighth-grader, he got reps in the spring game," Dickinson said.



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