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## Bradford commissioner cleared of battery

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The State Attorney's Office dropped a battery charge against Bradford County Commissioner Kenny Thompson on Wednesday, June 26, six months after accusing the 63-year-old of groping an auto parts delivery person at his Lawtey automobile repair shop.

While investigating the allegation, an inspector for Florida's Department of Law Enforcement reported that three women told investigators that Thompson touched them against their will in a sexually suggestive manner while they were delivering auto parts to his business.

However, only one filed a complaint with Lawtey police, which turned the investigation over to the sheriff's office. Gordon Smith's agency then handed the inquiry to FDLE, which has a special unit that investigates public officials.

According to the redacted FDLE report, it appears that most, if not all, of the claims against Thompson were made by employees of Advance Auto Parts.

FDLE said it contacted other Starke-area auto parts suppliers, including O'Reilly and NAPA. Of the 10 additional female delivery drivers contacted by the agency, none reported inappropriate physical contact with the commissioner.

"It should be noted," added FDLE, "that several of the ladies contacted pursuant to the above subpoenas

did state that though they were not touched against their will by Thompson, he constantly made them feel uncomfortable from the comments he made to them and looks he gave them."

Before the State dropped the misdemeanor charge, Thompson's lawyer, Bobi J. Frank, challenged the legitimacy of the allegations in the FDLE report.

"Not everything that is alleged turns out to be accurate and true," she said, "and I think that's exactly what you're going to find in this case."

In an email, Darry D. Lloyd, a spokesperson for State Attorney Brian Kramer's office, said the victim no longer wanted the state to proceed with the prosecution.

## Testing shows learning progress throughout year

BY MARK J. CRAWFORD  
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The state is bragging about student performance improvements revealed in the annual test data released this week. Among them was a stateside 20-percentage-point increase in English performance and a 42-percentage-point increase in math.

The data compared performance in grades three through 10 in English and grades three through eight in math from the beginning to the end of the year.

The Florida Assessment of Student Thinking, or FAST, progress monitoring assessments are taken three times throughout the school

year. Real-time results allow teachers and parents to assess "drive student improvement," according to the state, by enabling adjustments in teaching methods and better communication between educators and families.

Scoring Level 3 or higher is the goal. Level 3 indicates the student is performing at grade level, but they could need additional support going forward. Level 4 is proficient, and Level 5 is exemplary. At Level 2 or 1, a student is below or well below grade-level performance.

Bradford School Superintendent Will Hartley said the district is working on comparing the state numbers with its own figures to assess the district's progress.

### English

During the first progress monitoring test in Bradford schools, most English proficiency percentages were in the teens for most grade levels. In the case of third-graders, that means, just 13% scored a Level 3, 4 or 5 on the assessment. By the end of the year, however, that had improved to 52%.

In other grade levels, there was also double digit improvement from the first to the third progress monitoring test. Fourth-graders improved from 23% to 55%, fifth-graders from 16% to 42%, sixth-graders from 29% to 56%, seventh-graders from 16% to 32%, eighth-graders from 18% to 39% and ninth-graders from 17% to 43%. Only

10th-graders saw an improvement of less than 10 percentage points, from 23% to 31%.

Compared to last year, however, ninth and 10th graders saw performance improve 69%, while the average performance for sixth- to eighth-graders was 14%, and third- to fifth-graders improved 4%.

The district's average performance from the first to final test of the year was 19% to 44% on English. Statewide, the end of year average performance was at 53% proficient.

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## No opponents for Union school board, superintendent

BY TRACY LEE TATE  
Special to the Times

In about a month and a half, Union County voters will have a couple of decisions regarding who will serve them locally and who the general election candidates will be nationally.

Locally, the school district positions and all but one of the constitutional officer slots have been filled, as the candidates ran without opposition. At the end of the qualifying period, they are considered to have been elected and will serve another term.

Superintendent Mike Ripplinger, Russell Gordon (School Board Seat 2), and Becky Raulerson (School Board Seat 4) will return for another term in the Union County School District.



The first candidates to come into the election office to qualify on the first day, Mon. June 10, 2024 at 12 noon. (Qualifying ran from Noon on June 10 through Noon on June 14.) Pictured are: (back row, l-r) Danny Tomlinson, Willie Croft, Bruce Dukes, Shelton Arnold, Brad Whitehead, Chad Ali, Marty Touchstone and Mike Ripplinger. (front row, l-r) Donna Jackson, Kellie Rhoades, Lisa Johnson, Melissa McNeal, Becky Raulerson, Debbie Osborne and Ryan Perez.

### More incumbents without opposition

Returning county officers include Donna Jackson (Board of Commissioners Seat One), Willie Croft (Board of Commissioners Seat Five), Bruce Dukes (Property Appraiser), Brad Whitehead (Sheriff), Deborah Osborne (Supervisor of Elections), and Lisa Johnson (Tax Collector).

Only two county races will be on the ballot on August 20, 2024 – Clerk of Court and Board of Commissioners Seat Three, left vacant by the retirement of long-time commissioner Jimmy Tallman. All of the candidates are running as Republicans, so the primary will be a Universal Primary Contest, with all voters, regardless of registered party, will be allowed to

vote for their choice (but only District Three voters will be allowed to vote in the County Commission race).

### Contested races

The race for the Clerk of Court position has two candidates – incumbent Kellie Hendricks Rhoades and Ryan Perez. The County Commission Seat Three race is a little more complicated, with six candidates running for the position. They are Chad Ali, Shelton Arnold Jr., Melissa McNeal, Ed Rainey, Danny Tomlinson, and Martie Touchstone. Although the field of candidates in

this race is rather large, Supervisor of Elections Deborah Osborne said large fields are not unknown in local elections.

"I have seen as many as nine candidates run for a single office in my time at the elections office," Osborne said.

Also on the ballot will be the decision concerning the renewal of the library funding measure and national contests for U.S. Congress and Senate seats.

A few dates for voters to remember are the date of the primary election (Aug. 20, 2024), the last day to register or change party (July 22,

2024), the last day to request a ballot by mail (August 8, 2022), and the dates for early voting (Aug. 10-17, 2024 at the Elections Office). Updates to signature cards may be done at any time.

The office of the Union County Supervisor of Elections maintains a website to assist voters in gaining answers to their questions at Unionflvotes.com. Other questions may be directed to the office at (386) 496-2236, or voters are welcome to drop by the elections office at 175 West Main St. in Lake Butler.



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## WORTH NOTING

### Collection site closings

Bradford County solid waste collection sites will be closed on Thursday and Friday, July 4 and 5, for the Independence Day holiday. They will reopen on Saturday, July 6, at 10 a.m.

### Lifeline hosts gospel concert

Lifeline Ministries will host a gospel concert with Chuck Day, co-writer of "The Midnight Cry," on Sunday, July 7, at 6 p.m. All are welcome. The church is located at 325 N. Christian St. in Starke.

### Food distribution at RJE

A communitywide food distribution hosted by Feeding Northeast Florida and True Vine Ministry will take place Wednesday, July 10, at 8:30 a.m. at the RJE Complex on Pine Street in Starke.

Food boxes often include fresh produce, deli and bakery items, dairy and some meats. Inventory is subject to availability. This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

### Training offered in youth mental health first aid

Receive free training to recognize, understand and respond to signs of mental health challenges among youth. The free eight-hour training will include information about adolescent development, youth mental health challenges and a five-step action plan for helping youth.

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# TESTING

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On a separate writing exam, the districtwide average score was 5.9 points, the same as the state average, but 72% of the district scored 6 points or higher.

## Math

Average English proficiency across the district was in the teens for the first progress monitoring test of the year. For math, it was mostly in the single digits. But that left even more room

for improvement, and the third progress assessment showed that students did improve. In fact, the average Level 3 or higher performance in all grades, third through eighth, rose from 6% to 53% by the end of the year, which was just 3 percentage points lower than the statewide

average.

Looking at the specific grades from the first to the third monitoring exam, third grade rose from 2% to 47%, fourth from 5% to 58%, fifth from 5% to 54%, sixth from 10% to 70%, seventh from 6% to 34% and eighth from 6% to 51%. Not only was sixth grade's performance a 60-percentage-point increase, it also beat the state average.

Performance of higher grades on algebra and geometry is still assessed by an end-of-course exam. Eighth-graders were 57% Level 3 or above, and ninth-graders were 23%, for an average of 31%. Eighth-graders did beat the state average.

In geometry, 49% of students tested were Level 3 or above over all, which was 4 percentage points behind the state average.

The state combined FAST exam and end-of-course exam performance to show an overall improvement in math from 39% to 49% from 2023 to 2024 for grades three through eight.

## Science

Fifth- and eighth-graders were tested once on science proficiency, with 42% of Bradford fifth-graders and 41% of eighth-graders scoring Level 3 or higher. These percentages were both behind the state average, as were the older students tested in biology. Bradford biology students were 41% Level 3 or above, compared to 67% statewide.

Biology performance fell from 49% to 41% from 2023 to 2024, but fifth-grade science

performance went from 34% to 42% and eighth-grade performance went from 26% to 41%, an improvement of 15 percentage points.

## Social studies

There was improvement from year to year on the civics exam, although the U.S. History average fell one point. In civics, 53% scored Level 3 or higher and in history it was 56%. While among some of the higher proficiency scores in the district, they were both more than 10 points behind the state average.

More information regarding the outcomes of testing will be released, including school grades and improvement scores.



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# Union County test scores mixed

BY TRACY LEE TATE  
Special to the Times

The Union County School District has finished another year, and school scores, as are the state averages, are available to the schools. The official release of the school scores will be June 30, with the school rankings and grades unavailable until August.

The Union County scores showed a mixed bag of scores compared to last year's results, with the biggest losses in grades eight and nine.

## English

In English Language Arts, scored by the state as "reading," grades three through 10 fluctuated from last year, but students in grades three, seven, and nine bested the state average. Grade three scored 64% of students reading at or above grade level, 11 percentage points up from last year's figure of 53% and beating the state average by 9%. Grade seven showed the largest improvement, scoring 57% and coming back from last year's figure of 39% and scoring 7% above the state average. Grade nine improved over last year by 11 percentage points, beating the state average by seven points. Grades four and six school scores stayed the same as last year and scored three and four points, respectively, lower than the state average. Grade eight improved by eight percentage points in 2024 to 47%, but it was not enough to beat the state average of 51%. Only two grade levels showed decreased scores - grades five and ten. Grade five scores dropped by 11 points, putting it 17 points below the state average, and grade 10 dropped two points, putting it four points below the state average.

## Math

In math, improvement was seen in the third and seventh grades. Grade three scores improved by four points and exceeded the state average by 12. Grade seven improved by five points and beat the state average by 21 points. Grades four and five dropped by a single percentage point, putting them one and four points below the state average. Grade six was down three points from last year but scored four points higher than the state average. Grade eight was down 13 points from last year but beat the state average by four points.

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Algebra I in both the middle school (as an honors class) and the high school (usually taken by ninth or tenth graders). The middle school students' average was eight percentage points lower than last year, at 86 points, but still greatly exceeded the state average of 41. The high school class also dropped below last year's percentage by four points but also exceeded the state average by 15 percentage points. In high school geometry, the school score stayed the same, at 56, but exceeded the state average by five points. Trigonometry is also offered at UCHS but is not a state-tested subject.

## Science

In science, fifth and eighth-grade scores were down from last year by four points for the fifth grade and nine points for the eighth grade, but both exceeded the state average. Fifth-grade students exceeded the state average in science by 20 points, while the eighth-graders exceeded it by 16 points. The school biology (tenth grade) score improved this past year, reaching 75 - an increase of 7 percentage points. Biology students also exceeded the state average by nine points.

## Civics

In civics, the high school score improved by 17 points and was eight points above the state average. In U.S. history, the school score was up by three points, and the state average was beat by nine points.

Union County Superintendent of Schools Mike Ripplinger said he was pleased with the scores, especially how the district scores stacked against the state averages.

"We get the scores back from the state almost immediately," Ripplinger said. "Under the old testing scheme, we had to wait months for them. Having these scores in hand allows us to have our boot camp for faculty earlier, identify the problem areas, and make improvement plans. We are already discussing plans to improve in the areas where scores were lower and identifying what works well in the higher-scoring areas. We will have to wait until August to see how we compare to other districts in the state."

## Outstanding achievement

Ripplinger was happy to

cite some outstanding student achievements from the past year.

"We had several students compete in the state science fair, and our baseball team went to the regional championship round," he said. "The UCHS Band made an outstanding appearance at the state music assessment. Kendyl Brannen is the State FFA Champion in Creed Speaking and is attending the national competition. The Ag Sales Team is also a state champion and competing at the nationals (Ag Sales team members are Peyton Kilgore, Rebecca Langkou, Sierra Bell, Bailey Barnes, Sierra Mohl, and Gavin Kuhn). The Parliamentary Procedure Team placed second in the state, and the Ag Issues team placed third."

## Routine year, minimal turnover

Ripplinger said he felt that the 2023-24 school year was a routine one and said he, the school board, and all of the faculty and staff were looking forward to another great year beginning soon. At the end of qualifying for the upcoming election, he said that none of the board members who were up for re-election had opposition, and neither did he, so there are no changes there. He also said he was pleased to report minimal turnover in faculty and staff this year, with only one or two openings at each school for new teachers and staff. He said there would be a new face in the principal's chair at the elementary school - Michelle Fuist will be assuming the position on July 1, 2024, coming to the district from Orange County. Principal Emily Mecusker will be changing positions and responsibilities within the district.

"This will be a good year coming up," Ripplinger said. "There will be fewer new faces in the coming year, which lends us more continuity in our programs. We ended the past year in a flurry, as always, but we now have the tools to plan and prepare better ways of doing things, and since the legislature met earlier than usual this year, we will have an idea of what funding we have to work with much sooner. Next school year will be one where we can hit the ground running and provide our students with the best education possible. That's why we are here."

# New administrators chosen at Bradford schools

BY MARK J. CRAWFORD  
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Three Bradford schools will be headed by new principals, but two of them are not new to the district.

School Superintendent Will Hartley said Ben Hawkins and Raymond Schaefer who were heading Bradford Middle School and Starke Elementary School were interested in working closer to home to spend more time with family.

"Mr. Hawkins lives in Alachua County, and Mr. Schaefer lives in Clay County, so I understand their decision and need to put family first. I appreciate them both for their time and service to our school district as they both had a positive impact during their time with us," Hartley said.

Crystal Williams, who was hired as Bradford High School's assistant principal last year, will be taking over at Bradford Middle School. Lauren Morgan, who was originally being transferred from her assistant principal position at Bradford Elementary School to serve as Schaefer's assistant principal at Starke Elementary has instead been promoted to principal.

Born in California, Williams grew up in Orange Park and Fleming Island. She and her husband now live on a 12.5-acre farm near Starke purchased from his grandmother. She has taught higher math in middle and high school, been an instructional coach and testing coordinator, as well as an assistant principal in Marion and Bradford counties.

Morgan's 23 years in education include the past three years she has been assistant principal at Southside and Bradford elementary schools. Prior to that

she taught fourth- and sixth-graders in Alachua, Clay and Putnam counties. A lover of travel and animals, she has a dog and five cats.

The third new principal is at Brooker Community School, where the charter school board announced Thomas Lashley will be replacing Felicia Moss. Lashley grew up in Live Oak. He was a pre-med undergrad student who has since obtained a doctorate degree in educational leadership and policy. He taught in four counties, including Columbia where he was also an elementary school principal for 10 years. He served as superintendent of schools in Lafayette County as well as in the state of Montana. According to the school, he enjoys reading, writing, hunting and fishing and is looking forward to becoming a member of the Brooker community.

Rob Charles has been promoted to assistant principal at Bradford Middle School after serving in multiple administrative roles for the district, including coordinator of attendance, compliance and student recovery and principal of alternative education. Charles studied economics and went on to obtain a doctoral degree from Nova Southeastern University.

Charles will work with Williams, while Nicole Stafford steps into Williams' former assistant principal position at the high school. For the past two years she has been working with BHS Principal Chris Coffey as testing coordinator and multi-tiered system support coordinator. Raised in Bradford a graduate of BHS, her teaching career began in Brooker 14 years ago, and she has taught in Lawtey and at BMS, where she

also mentored new teachers. Her family includes her husband and 17-year-old son, and they recently purchased a 60-acre cattle farm.

Karen Brugh will be assistant principal at Bradford Elementary School, working with Principal Cassie Melvin. She is being transferred from the assistant principal position at the middle school, where she was also named Teacher of the Year while she taught English and mentored other teachers. Brugh taught elementary school in Clay County for 14 years before beginning at Southside in 2015. She earned a master's degree at Liberty University. She is also a married mother of four who serves as CEO and co-owner of the family electric contracting business.

Hartley said the district is currently interviewing candidates for the assistant principal position at Starke Elementary, so the remaining slate of administrative roles may not be complete. For now, there has been little additional change. Terri O'Quinn remains principal at Lawtey Elementary. Brad Bishop and Keith Kirby are still leading North Florida Technical College. Jeannie O'Steen is coordinator at the Rainbow Center.

Other district-level positions remain unchanged, among them Karen Clarke as assistant superintendent, Jeff Edison as operations and safety director, Shannon Rodriguez as finance director, Blake Dicks as director of food and nutrition, Aimee Ferguson as director of human resources and Louette Smith as transportation supervisor.

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# Senate hopeful visits Melrose

BY KATE ELLISON  
Bradford County Democrats

Debbie Mucarsel-Powell spoke June 26 at the Democratic Women's Club of the Lakes Area in Melrose. She told the crowd of about 40 that she is a proud mother, Latina, and immigrant running to be Florida's next U.S. senator.

She said her success in the House of Representatives gives her the experience and confidence that she can beat Rick Scott if she becomes the Democratic nominee for Senate in the November election. She said she knows how to work across party lines on issues like legal pathways for immigrants to achieve citizenship while protecting our borders. She said she would fight to protect Social Security and Medicare as well as women's reproductive rights and making health care affordable.

As someone who lost her father to gun violence, she has been a lifelong advocate for reducing crime and keeping guns out of the hands of dangerous criminals.

After her speech, Mucarsel-Powell headed for Miami where she lives with her husband, Robert, and their three children.



Debbie Mucarsel-Powell spoke at the Democratic Women's Club of the Lakes Area in Melrose.



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# Hundreds meet animals and receive shiny bling a library

BY MELISSA PYLE  
Special to the Telegraph

More than two hundred were in attendance at the Bradford County Library on June 20. The event was third in the lineup of various weekly summer activities offered at the library.

Each week a unique and interactive experience with things like crafts, art projects, magic shows and more is offered to library patrons. This most recent event was extra special because it offered children the chance to pet farm animals, ride ponies, and receive a free geode kit and book from “the cave”.

New River Library Cooperative Director Tricia Wylie gave each child in attendance a bag to take home that included a geode kit and a book about rocks entitled “A Rock is Lively.” Wylie said the books and kits were purchased with grant money the cooperative received from Florida Humanities.

Staffers including Melanie Jackson, Tonya Mitchell and Kimberly Crawford have many exciting programs planned for children throughout the summer, and in keeping with the



Lily Kate was one of many local children who enjoyed the pony rides provided by MNM Ponies at the Bradford County Library on June 20. Just one of many free summer events available to the public.

theme “Adventure Begins at your Library,” this was no exception.

The library invites everyone to come check out the weekly events. Jackson said she is especially excited about the upcoming “Read to a Shelter Animal” on July 11. This is in collaboration with the Bradford Animal Services, and residents are encouraged to donate pet supplies at the

event. For more information about this program or many of the other activities provided by the Bradford Public Library, you are encouraged to stop by the library to pick up a calendar of events, call 904-368-3911, or follow the Bradford County Public Library Facebook page for current updates.



Who doesn't want to pet a chicken? Siblings from the Cook family were cautious but eager to pet one of many friendly farm animals from The Barnyard Bunch Petting zoo.



Young Oliver Alsop is excited to imagine he's a cowboy with his trusty sidekicks, mom, Sarah, and baby brother. Pony rides were a fun way to spend the morning at the library!

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Cousins, Mckenzie and Kendall, enjoyed petting all the animals at the petting zoo while at the Bradford Library summer program.



Cousins and friends found a shady spot on the grass to explore the treasures that were in their geode kit bags.



Claude McDaniel poses with his book, "A Rock is Lively." The book was part of the free geode kit bags offered to each child in attendance.



New River Library Cooperative Director Tricia Wylie stands in her "cave" ready to inform young minds and gift each one their own geode kit to explore at home.



It's not every day you get to brush a goat at the library, but Judah Blye and many other children had their chance at the recent summer library program.



Tinsley Pinkston bends down to pet one of the soft bunnies. They were a favorite among the children who visited the petting zoo.

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# Club celebrates National Garden Week

**BY GINNY GEIGER**  
*Garden Club of the Lakes*

If you ever have a time when you are extremely bored and have absolutely nothing else to do, I suggest you Google "National Days/Weeks/Months!" You will not believe some of the over 80 National Holidays, including the 11 you probably already know, and over 2,000 notable observations in America each year.

And there are even some days that have been suggested to add. Since there is Peanut Butter Day and PB&J Day, some believe we need to have Jelly Day. This is truly not a joke.

It has also been suggested that we have Phone GPS Appreciation Day (I would vote for that!), Hair Tie and Bobby Pin Remembrance Day, and Binge-Watching Day. Some of the others are even more "interesting" than these.

If you are having an event on a particular date, just check out what is observed that day, and you can plan your event around that. We did. Our October meeting was on the 12th. That is National Farmer's Appreciation Day...so our theme was farming and appreciating our abundance of food.

A warning about choosing the observation on your date: If you have an event on January

16, beware. That is officially National Nothing Day! Again, no joke!

## First week in June

Among the 2,000 observed days/weeks/months, there is National Garden Week. The Garden Club of the Lakes and garden clubs around the country observed the first week in June in several ways. Marian Norris, the Club's President, delivered a beautiful bouquet to City Hall that was presented to Charles Van Zant, Jr and received by Ark Natirboff, Front Desk Clerk.

To make our community aware of the week and of our club, a new banner, made locally by Locker Room Athletics, was hung on the fencing outside the Native Plant Garden across from City Hall.

The week's highlight was a cake and punch celebration at Jackie Host's home. Jackie has been involved with many facets of garden clubs for several decades.

As the member who served the most terms as president, three two-year terms starting in 2007, Jackie is known for her striving for excellence. She has also held district and state offices.

Because she saw the need for better organization within our club and wanted more members

involved, she conceived and implemented most of our standing committees and annual events. (Stay tuned as we share more about them later.)

To honor Jackie for all her dedication to our local club, not to mention her leadership in our state organization (Florida Federation of Garden Clubs), she was presented with two Florida native plants, a focus of our club. One was an Oakleaf Hydrangea, and the other was a Peperomia, which is on the endangered list. Since the hydrangea grows 6-8 feet high, few of us will be alive to see that. Just take the word of some knowledgeable gardeners.

In closing, I want to share some interesting National Days/Weeks/Months Observations: Drinking Straw, Rubber Duckie, Candy, Talk Like A Parrot, Hug A Teddy Bear and Procrastination Awareness. Now, there are some really serious and important ones, too. Please check them out and go celebrate!



Carol Levine, Marilyn Sandbeck and Marian Norris post a banner recognizing National Garden Week.



Garden Club of the Lakes Past-President Jackie Host with the organization's 2022-2023 yearbook, her last year as president.

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Ordinance No. 2024-04, Petition No. ANX 24-01, by the City Commission, provides for the voluntary annexation of a parcel of land contiguous to the boundaries of the City of Lake Butler, Florida, as shown on the location map below. The area to be annexed is located in Section 36 Township 5 South, Range 19 East, Union County, Florida. The area to be annexed consists of 27.60 acre, more or less.

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Lead counsel Caden Hertzog, co-counsel Lacey Depot, and defendant Wyatt Gauthier consult with Assistant Public Defender Eddie Edwards during the mock trial.

## Hope legal studies students conduct mock trial

BY VIRGINIA DENMARK  
Hope Christian Academy

After a semester of working a realistic case study, Hope Christian Academy Law Studies students took to the road and presented their arguments in a mock trial at the Bradford County Courthouse on April 30 where a guilty verdict was rendered by a student jury.

“The mock trial is a testament to both academic rigor and practical learning. The project brought the intricacies of the legal system to life for our 8th - 12th grade students,” Instructor Mandy Cornelius said.

Judge D. Tatum Davis of the Eighth Judicial Circuit of Florida presided over the HCA mock trial and offered instructions and explanations throughout the morning proceedings.

“I thought it was very, very good as a whole for high school, and they were very respectful of the process. This is the first [student mock trial] I’ve done like this in my eight years as a judge,” he said. Judge Davis concluded the trial with the encouragement to “never be nervous to come to your courthouse.” He added, “This is yours and is here to serve you.”

Instructor Cornelius said, “Students delved into the foundations of law in the United States before focusing on an in-depth study of the court system. After exploring various court cases ranging from civil to criminal, the class collectively selected a case to simulate in a mock trial setting.”

Students were divided into prosecution and defense teams and assumed roles within the case, and conducted extensive research to build strategies, evidence, as well as building the characters they portrayed.

Throughout the semester, local attorney VeRonica Owens, Division Chief for the Bradford County State Attorney Shawn Thompson and Judge Davis visited the class on campus and shared invaluable guidance, said Cornelius.

The culmination of the students’ efforts occurred with the help of Thompson and Assistant Public Defender Eddie Edwards assisting the prosecution and defense teams during the mock trial. Students experienced an authentic courtroom environment, with visits from various members of the court and law enforcement, including Sheriff Gordon Smith, court clerks, and bailiffs.

“Guided by lessons in voir dire,” said Cornelius, “the [student] jury diligently heard testimony, deliberated, and ultimately rendered a verdict.”

Reflecting on the project, Cornelius expressed immense pride in her students’ dedication and growth throughout the process. “The mock trial project was not just an academic exercise but a hands-on opportunity for students to apply their knowledge of the law in a real-world context.”

Law Studies mock trial participants:



Judge Davis listens as prosecuting lead counsel Jude Hanson questions the defendant.



Sheriff Gordon Smith speaks to students at the mock trial.

Instructor/Mock Trial Coordinator Mandy Cornelius	Trial Paralegals – Lydia Jones 10th, Haydn Tillet 9th
Prosecution Team Lead – Jude Hanson 12th, Co-Council – Tavian Frazier 12th	Defendant – Wyatt Gauthier 12th
Assistants – Bree Odom 9th, Bri Bradshaw 9th	Witnesses – Lucas Grider 8th, Brice Flint 9th
Paralegals – Ana Kozinski 9th, Colten Bagwell 9th	Jury Pool Benjamin Whalen 11th, Taryn Flowers 8th, Mythias Weis 10th, Ellie Amis 11th, Luke Drew 11th, Noah Gaffney 9th, Kylie Icard 8th, Lesly Salvidrez 8th, Jacob Elmore 7th, Madison Green 7th, Hunter Yoder 7th, Natalie Weis 7th, Katie Justus 8th
Witnesses – Savannah Jewell 10th, Griffin McCloud 9th, Nathan Webster 9th	
Defense Team Lead – Caden Hartzog 9th, Co-Council – Lacey Depoe 10th	
Assistants – Anne Amis 9th, Zachary Miller 9th	



The mock jury was sworn in by Judge Davis and listened intently during the trial. They ultimately returned a guilty verdict.



Attorney VeRonica Owens was a guest speaker during the semester leading up to the mock trial held at the Bradford County Courthouse. Students Zachary Mille, Lydia Jones, Lacey DePoe, and class instructor Mandy Cornelius listen as Owens answers a question.

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# Crime

## Recent arrests in Bradford, Union and Clay

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

### Bradford

Willie Berry, 74, of Starke, was arrested by probation and parole on June 26 for a probation violation.

Mikkie Nicole Booth, 32, of Starke, was arrested by Bradford deputies on June 26 for burglary, criminal mischief with property damage, disorderly intoxication, and battery.

Jacob Leone Bostic, 22, of Jacksonville, was arrested by Bradford deputies on June 25 for an out-of-county warrant.

Charles Dejuan Corbett, 46, of Jacksonville, was arrested by Bradford deputies on June 26 for a probation violation.

Holden Duane Cummings-Knapp, 21, of Keystone Heights, was arrested by Bradford deputies on June 23 for DUI.

Moreen Catherine Cunningham, 36, of Keystone Heights, was arrested by Bradford deputies on June 27 for possession of drug equipment, possession of marijuana, and possession of drugs.

Brandon Michael Deavers, 28, of Lawtey, was arrested by FHP troopers on June 25 for possession of drug equipment, possession of cocaine, possession of drugs, and trafficking in drugs.

Kassie Leighana Gilliam, 34, of Starke, was arrested by Bradford deputies on June 27 for a conditional release violation.

Robert Brad Kerce, 39, of Brooker, was arrested by Bradford deputies on June 25 for an out-of-county warrant.

Frank Edward Chandlur Maddox, 19, of Jacksonville, was arrested by Bradford deputies on June 26 for probation violations.

Alexander Daniel Main, 31, of Orange Park, was arrested by Bradford deputies on June 26 for an out-of-county warrant.

Litissa Christine Mason, 40, of Keystone Heights, was arrested by Bradford deputies on June 28 for an out-of-county warrant.

James Timothy Mefford, 57, of Starke, was arrested by Bradford deputies on June 25 for possession of drug equipment, driving with a suspended or revoked license, and resisting an officer.

Nicole Goodwin Ridge, 50, of Keystone Heights, was arrested by Bradford deputies on June 22 for failure to appear.

Gerard Sauve, 45, of Lake City, was arrested by Bradford deputies on June 28 for possession of drugs and smuggling contraband into a corrections facility.

Thomas Cole Smith, 26, of Starke, was arrested by Bradford deputies on June 28 for failure to appear.

Earnest Steven Varnes, 43, of Starke, was arrested by Bradford deputies on June 25 for larceny, driving with a suspended or revoked license, possession of drugs, and possession of drug equipment.

### Union

Darryl A. Cochran, 40, a Department of Corrections inmate, was arrested by Union deputies on June 25 for smuggling contraband into a prison.

Jesse Lee Dover, 29, of Lake Butler, was arrested by Union deputies on June 25 for driving with a suspended or revoked license.

James Mannon Goff, 37, of Lake Butler, was arrested by Union deputies on July 1 for a probation violation.

Matthew Edward Odom, 49, of Lake Butler, was arrested by Union deputies on June 24 for trespassing.

Jessica Manuela Ortega, 40, of Lake Wales, was arrested by Union deputies on June 25 for possession of a controlled substance without a prescription, possession of marijuana, and possession of drug equipment.

Cassandra Pagan, 37, of Lake Wales, was arrested by Union deputies on June 26 for a probation violation.

Elysabeth Jeanette Riner, 25, of Lake City, was arrested by Union deputies on June 28 for an out-of-county warrant.

### Clay

John Joseph Danella, 36, of Keystone Heights, was arrested by Clay deputies on June 27 for aggravated assault and resisting an officer without violence.

Geoffrey Brian George, 49, of Keystone Heights, was arrested by Clay deputies on June 28 for failure to register as a felon as required and fleeing and eluding.

Richard Dale McRae, 70, of Keystone Heights, was arrested by Clay deputies on June 23 for grand theft auto.

Brandi Michelle Rowland, 39, of Keystone Heights, was arrested by Clay deputies on June 26 for retail petit theft and on June 27 for trespassing.

Scott Allen Wilson, 33, of Starke, was arrested by Clay deputies on June 27 for possession of a controlled substance without a prescription, possession of drug equipment, and resisting an officer without violence.

## Rooterville founder accused of fraud

BY DAN HILDEBRAN  
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The founder and operator of a Melrose-area animal rescue has been accused of using the nonprofit's funds to buy land and a mobile home for herself.

On June 27, the State Attorney based in Daytona Beach charged Edna Elaine West with two counts of failing to apply contributions consistent with solicitations. The 61-year-old founder of Rooterville, a Sancturary, Inc., is also facing charges of unregistered solicitation, submitting false information in a public document, comingling charitable contributions with noncharitable funds, fraudulent use of personal identification, and organized fraud.

According to a probable cause affidavit filed by a Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services investigator, West used \$246,475.24 in the



West

charity's funds to purchase around 30 acres in Putnam County in her name. She is also alleged to have used an additional \$100,631 in Rooterville funds to buy a mobile home for her personal use.

The report said that in April, West told investigators that she considered the withdrawals from the nonprofit's bank accounts for the real estate purchases as loans.

The report states, "West stated there is no legal paperwork or deeds in place for the loan she took from Rooterville. Loans to directors or officers of a nonprofit

organization are unlawful..."

The affidavit further alleges that West sold two of the three parcels she bought with Rooterville funds and then deposited the \$113,538.59 sales proceeds into her own bank account.

Additional charges surround the allegation that West filed paperwork designating another individual as a Rooterville officer without that individual's knowledge.

West told a Jacksonville television station after her arrest that the charges stem from unfilled paperwork with the state.

"I am a person of integrity," West told WJXT. "I don't steal. I don't lie. I certainly don't embezzle, and I've never committed fraud."

The animal rescue's founder has also defended herself on the charity's website.

"There have been false rumors about my personal life recently, which is unfortunate," West wrote on Rooterville.org. "Responding to untruthful statements initiated by a couple of ill-intended people would only serve their self-interests."

## Dementia, brain health explained at library event

BY DAN HILDEBRAN  
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A volunteer coordinator with Community Hospice talked about dementia and brain health at the Bradford County Library on Thursday, May 30.

C. Renee Horne said dementia is not a normal part of aging and that many seniors never experience the symptom.

"We all have problems with memory as we age, and our brains slow down," she said. "But at the same time, that doesn't mean you have dementia."

Horne said dementia is a symptom with an underlying cause, most often Alzheimer's disease.

"If I go to the doctor and I have a cold and a cough, that's not my diagnosis," she said. "It's the same thing with dementia. That's just the symptom, and there's going to be a disease behind it."

Horne also said that dementia is reversible, so people should not be afraid to talk to their physicians if they are experiencing signs. She added that she had experienced the phenomenon.

"My B-12 tanked, my iron tanked, my Vitamin D tanked, and my thyroid all tanked at the same time," she recalled. "And I went into a dementia mode. I got all those numbers back up, and then it kind of all came back."

### Forgetfulness vs. dementia

Horne said normal forgetfulness may include an occasional bad decision, forgetting an important day but remembering later, sometimes



C. Renee Horne, a volunteer coordinator for Community Hospice, tosses a balloon before demonstrating an exercise to increase mental agility.

forgetting a word, and losing things occasionally. However, dementia signs include poor judgment and decision-making, losing track of seasons and dates, difficulty conversing, misplacing things, and being unable to retrace steps.

She added that 10 early signs of dementia are:

- 1- memory loss that disrupts daily life,
- 2- changes in planning or solving problems,
- 3- difficulty completing familiar tasks,
- 4- confusion with time or place,
- 5- trouble understanding visual images and spatial relationships,
- 6- new problems with words in speaking or writing,
- 7- misplacing things or losing the ability to retrace steps,
- 8- decreased or poor judgment,
- 9- withdrawal from work or social activities, and
- 10- changes in mood and personality.

Horne said a decline in cognitive thinking could present in confusing relationships, a shortened attention span, loss of organizational skills, and loss of peripheral vision.

"So, I don't know my brother versus my sister," she said. "Thinking I can still cook, but walking away and forgetting I turned the stove on. Lots of bad driving accidents when they shouldn't be driving. You might forget to put the toothpaste on before you brush your teeth. You can't get organized, which means you can't cook because you can't do the steps."

### How to talk to someone with dementia

During her presentation, the hospice staff member used the acronym T.A.L.K. to explain how to converse with a person undergoing cognitive decline.

She said remembering four techniques can increase understanding:

- T—Take it Slow,
- A—Ask simple questions,
- L—Limit reality checks,
- K—Keep eye contact.

In explaining the concept of limiting reality checks, Horne said a person with dementia often makes inaccurate statements and that the responder should avoid correcting the speaker. Instead, the responder should redirect the conversation.

### Maintaining a healthy brain

Horne also recommended techniques to maintain brain health. She suggested that keeping your body and brain active reduces cognitive decline.

Horne added that one 20-year study explained in the New England Journal of Medicine showed that people who constantly challenge their brains by doing crossword puzzles, playing board games or cards, reading, writing, and playing musical instruments resulted in reduced incidents of dementia.

That study found that people engaging in one such activity once a week reduced their likelihood of developing dementia by seven percent, and those taking part in such activities more frequently reduced their dementia risk by up to 63%.

The Community Hospice staff member demonstrated one game using a balloon, in which two participants tossed the balloon to one another and alternatively recited letters in the alphabet. She then increased the complexity of the exercise by substituting words beginning with consecutive letters instead of the letters themselves. Instead of A-B-C, participants recited Apple, Bat, and Cat.

Another study found that brisk walking, cleaning, gardening, or other physical tasks reduce the risk of developing Alzheimer's.

Horne said another study showed that people who regularly slept six hours or less in their 50s, 60s, and 70s were about 30% more likely to develop dementia than those who slept seven or more hours a night.

"Lack of sleep could influence dementia risk in several ways," she said, quoting one researcher. "One of the most studied mechanisms involves the brain's nightly cleaning cycle. When we're asleep, there's an increased flow of fluid through the brain, and this is hypothesized to clear out waste products and lower their concentration."

Finally, Horne said that people who stay socially active lower their risks of dementia, adding that one study concluded that women with more extensive social networks were 26% less likely to develop dementia than those with smaller networks and women who had daily contact with friends and family cut their risk of dementia by almost one-half.



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# State champs, runners-up from 10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60 years ago

BY CLIFF SMELLEY  
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With it being 2024, the Telegraph-Times-Monitor presents a look back at some Bradford, Keystone Heights and Union County high school sports highlights in years ending in "4."

The following are teams/individuals who won state championships, finished as state runners-up at the state level. Please note that the years in question included numerous other state-level participants as well as highlights at the district and regional levels.

Any omission of a state champ/runner-up is inadvertent.



**LEFT: Bradford's Annice Williams won state titles in track and field and cross country in 1994. RIGHT: Brandon Bass won a state title in the 100m dash for the Tornados in 2004.**

## KHHS boys lifters win first title in '14

Keystone has won five team state championships in boys weightlifting, with the first occurring in 2014, with the Indians finishing as Class 1A co-champs with Baker County.

Dakota Hodge was the runner-up in the 129-pound class with a 435 total.

Lane Blanton and Chase Musselman each earned a third-place finish. Blanton had a 495 total in the 139 class, while Musselman had a 600 total in the 169 class.

Steve Beverly placed fourth in the 129 class with a 425 total.

Also competing for the Indians were Brandon Johnson, who had a ninth-place total of 515 in the 154 class, and Darein Gilio, who had a 12th-place total of 585 in the 199 class.

The six lifters earned the right to advance to state after their performances at the District 4 qualifying meet. Hodge (405 total), Blanton (485), Musselman (560) and Gilio (565) all won their classes. Beverly (400) placed second, while Johnson (500) was fourth.

## 2004 KHHS girls weightlifting team is state runner-up

Keystone's Brittany Meng won an individual title, while the Indians were second as a team at the inaugural Florida High School Athletic Association-sanctioned girls weightlifting state finals.

The Indians had five lifters earn top-six finishes and compiled 22 points to finish behind Spruce Creek (44 points) in the team standings.

Meng capped an undefeated season in the 119 class with a 300 total, which put her ahead of teammate Jaime Grogan, who

had a 270 total.

Erica Seypura was the runner-up in the 183 class with a 340 total.

Kayla Couey had a third-place total of 345 in the 139 class, while Kasey Fagan had a sixth-place total of 345 in the unlimited class.

Meagan Greer (101 class) and Kristina Ford (199) just missed out on medals with seventh-place finishes. Greer had a 225 total, while Ford had a 320 total.

Other lifters competing were Renee Dowell (250 total in 129), Brenda Ward (275 total in 139), Ashlee Grant (285 total in 154) and Liza Wheeler (315 total in 199).

Five of the lifters advanced to state by winning their classes at the state-qualifying meet: Greer (220 total), Meng (305), Seypura (345), Ford (335) and Fagan (350).

State-qualifying meet runners-up were Grogan (265), Dowell (265), Couey (340), Grant (280) and Wheeler (330).

Ward was third at the state qualifier with a 280 total.

## UCHS' Crosby is weightlifter runner-up in 2004

The 2004 girls weightlifting finals also included Union's Summer Crosby finishing as the runner-up in the 169 class.

Crosby had a 355 total, which was a 5-pound improvement from her winning total at the state-qualifying meet.

## BHS gets state title from Bass at 2004 track, field finals

Bradford's Brandon Bass won one championship and came close to winning a second at the 2004 Class 2A track and field finals.

Bass won the 100m with a time of 10.91 seconds.

In the 200m, it was initially announced Bass was the winner, but a video review determined that American Heritage's Donovan Baldwin won with a time of 21.88. Bass' time was 21.89.

Letroy Guion earned a medal for Bradford with an eighth-place finish in the discus. He had a distance of...

The road to state began at the District 5 meet. Bass won the 100m and 200m with times of 10.54 and 21.84, while Guion was third in the discus with a throw of 152-11.

At the Region 2 meet, Bass again won both the 100m and 200m, finishing with times of 10.79 and 21.85. Guion was the runner-up in the discus with a throw of 159-2.25.

## Cohens wins state weightlifting title for Bradford in 1994

Bradford's Willie Cohens won the Class 3A championship in boys weightlifting in the 219 class in 1994.

Cohens, who capped an undefeated season, had an overall total of 605 in becoming the first Tornado to win a boys weightlifting title in five years.

## Union shines in track, field in 1994

Union was the Class 2A boys team runner-up at the 1994 track and field finals, helped by its 4x100m relay team of Bennie Alexander, Patrick Hampton, Wayne Moore and Melvin Noisette posting a first-place time of 42.71.

It would be the first of three straight state championships the Tigers would win in the boys 4x100m.

Moore was the runner-up in

the 200m with a time of 22.10 and took third in the 100m with a time of 11.04. He was also fourth in the triple jump (42-11) and fifth in the long jump (21-9).

Noisette placed third in the 400m (51.49), while Alexander was fourth in the 100m (11.12) and sixth in the long jump (21-5.5).

Also competing at state for the boys team were Trev Weeks in the 800m, Antonio Jonas in the 110m hurdles and Travis Rogers in the shot put.

The Tigers had a score of 32 in the overall points total, with Port St. Joe claiming the team championship trophy with 69 points.

Summer Green won a state title for the Tigers in the girls event with a distance of 35-9.5 in the shot put.

The state participants qualified with their performances at the district meet, which included three individual wins by Moore. He ran first-place times of 11.1 and 21.9 in the 100m and 200m and had the top distance in the long jump at 21-11.

Moore teamed up with Alexander, Hampton and Noisette to win the 4x100m relay with a time of 43.6.

Noisette won the 400m with a time of 51.6 and was fourth in both the long jump (20-6) and triple jump (40-4.5).

Moore was second in the triple jump (42-9), while Alexander was second in the long jump (21-3.5).

The Tigers also got second-place finishes from Jonas in the 110m hurdles (18.3), Weeks in the 800m (2:09) and Rogers in the shot put (44-3).

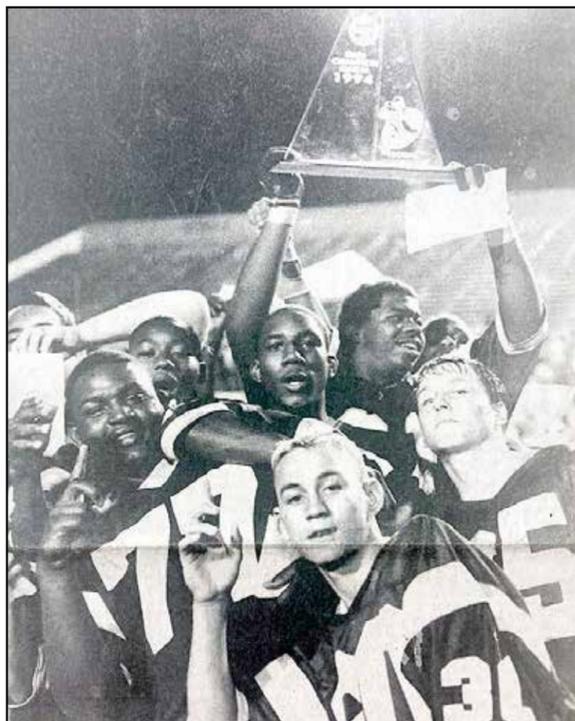
Union won the overall boys district championship — the first title for the Tigers in more than 20 years.

Green was the girls shot put district champ with a distance of 34-0.

## BHS' Williams wins titles in track, cross country in 1994

Bradford's Annice Williams had a good year in 1994, claiming state titles in track and field as a sophomore and in cross country as a junior.

At the Class 3A track and field finals, she ran a winning time of 5:18.39 in the 1600m. It would be the first of three straight state



**Gerard Warren (background, far right) holds up the state-championship trophy the Union County football team won in 1994. Also pictured are David Bennefeld (front) and (behind him, l-r) Charles Nelson, Andre Washington, Dexter Edwards and Buddy Rainey.**

championships she won in the event.

Prior to state, Williams won the 1600m at the District 5 meet (5:34.18) and at the regional meet (5:12.5).

Later in the year, Williams won the Class 4A state championship in cross country, crossing the finish line in 11:56.9.

Her undefeated season was in jeopardy at the District 3 meet, which didn't have course officials to direct runners. Williams took a wrong turn, realized her mistake and backtracked onto the proper route, adding 400 yards to her distance. She won the race by 2 seconds with a time of 12:24.

She captured the Region 2 championship with a time of 11:20.

## KHHS is 1994 girls hoops team champ

Keystone won the first of its three state titles in girls basketball in 1994, defeating Wildwood 73-59 for the Class 2A championship.

The Indians went 20 of 25 from the foul line in the fourth quarter after going 0 of 3 in the

first three.

Jessica Dykes and Elise Moore scored 22 and 19 points, respectively, while Tara Teague had 14. Keystone also got six points each from Lori Glenn and Roseann Glenn, four points from Bandi Morford and two points from Monique Cardenas.

Keystone's playoff run began with a 49-33 sub-region win over Baldwin. The Indians then defeated Williston 61-47 in the regional semifinals. Teague and Morford scored 14 and 12 points, respectively, in the win over Williston. Keystone also got nine points from Moore, eight points each from Dykes and Roseann Glenn, six points from Cardenas, three points from Lori Glenn and one point from Kim Tuller.

The Indians won the regional title with a 61-38 win over Episcopal, getting 14 points from Dykes and 13 each from Moore and Morford. Also adding to the scoring were Cardenas (9 points), Lori Glenn (5), Teague (4), Roseann Glenn (2) and Tuller (1).

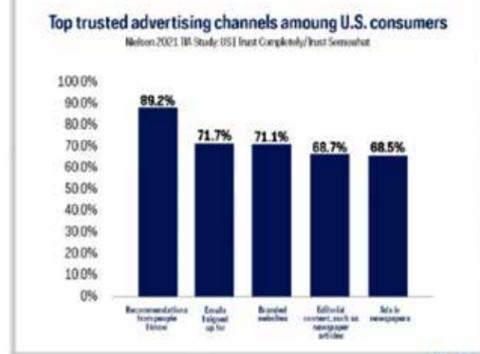
Dykes and Moore scored

**See SPORTS, page 14**



**The 1994 Keystone girls basketball team won the program's first-ever state title. Pictured are: (front, l-r) Michelle Calcote, Roseann Glenn, Bandi Morford, Tara Teague, Jessica Dykes, (back, l-r) Lori Glenn, Carr Moseley, Jill Gmann, Marieka Brokas, Kim Tuller, Monique Cardenas and Elise Moore.**

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Starke Splash Bash is honored to announce the Grand Marshal for this year's Splash Bash Parade: American Legion Post 56 Commander Norman Dowdy. Dowdy, who served in the U.S. Army, retired out and enjoys his time with the American Legion Post 56 in Starke. When he is not tending to Post duties and activities, Dowdy enjoys hunting and fishing.  
This year's parade, hosted by the City of Starke, will take a route passing by each larger nursing home in Starke so that seniors and veterans can make their way outside to watch the parade. The

parade will begin on Colley Road at the former Southside Elementary School and pass by Riverwood Health & Rehab, then turn on Laura Street, passing Windsor Manor Nursing Center. The parade will continue on Church Street under the overpass, passing by Young Hearts (formerly Parkside Assisted Living) and Wainwright Park before ending at the Downtown Square by the Veteran's Memorial.  
Everyone is invited to watch the parade along the route that takes it under the State Road 100 overpass so residents can watch the parade in the shade of the overpass. The Bradford County Sheriff's Office is handling the traffic assignment, and Sheriff Gordon Smith, alongside

Lawtey Police Chief Jerry Feltner, will lead the 3rd annual parade through downtown Starke. Everyone who has an old, tattered American flag looking to properly retire it can bring it with them to the parade, as the Bradford High School JROTC will be hosting a flag exchange at the Memorial after the parade, where a brand new flag will be given to everyone who turns in an old flag, compliments of Brian's Ace Hardware in Starke.  
The parade steps off at 9:00 am with a military flyover of vintage World War II aircraft like last year. Applications for the parade are still being accepted and anyone who wishes to participate can call 904-290-1010 to register.

**JOIN US AT 9 AM** as we are excited to announce that they military flyover Starke will happen once again this year at the start of the 3rd Annual Starke Splash Bash Parade! The parade steps off at 9 AM SHARP along the parade route that begins at Southside Elementary, proceeding north on Colley Road passing Riverwood, and turning west on Laura Street. The parade will cross over Water Street (SR 100), passing Windsor Manor, then turning north on Church Street. Folks can gather along Church Street under the overpass to watch as the parade continues north passing Young Heats (formerly Parkside Assisted Living). At Wainwright Park, the parade turns right and proceeds back south down Water Street, ending at the downtown square.

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Joe Ross Henkle, Sr. 90, of Keystone Heights, was re-united with his beloved wife, Mildred, of 67 years, on Monday, June 24, 2024. He was born to Luther LaGrand Henkle and Gladys Madeline Whitehead Henkle in Warm Springs, Arkansas. He served in the United States Army. Joe was an avid outdoorsman and loved fishing. He retired from Georgia Pacific and worked several years afterward for AVIS. He was a Boy Scout Scout Master in Putnam and Clay counties and enjoyed teaching the younger generation his skills and sharing his experience and knowledge. He was a member of Smyrna Baptist Church in Starke, where he attended until he was unable to do so. He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Mildred; a brother, Jack Henkle; and sisters, Mildred Harrell and Betty Miles.

He is survived by sons, Rev. Joe Ross Henkle, Jr and Luther Steven Henkle; a sister, Pat Neely of Atlanta, Georgia; granddaughter, Faith Elisabeth Henkle (Erik) Winter of Alexandria, Virginia; great-grandson, Elijah Winter; and great-granddaughter, Aria Winter; nieces and nephews; and a host of friends.

A viewing was held at South Middleburg Baptist Church, 4565 Alligator Blvd., Middleburg 32068, on Tuesday, July 2. Services followed with the Rev. Charles Starling, Delton Kilpatrick and Joe Ross Henkle Jr. officiating. Interment followed at Jacksonville National Cemetery.

The family was in the care of Archer-Milton Funeral Home in Lake Butler.  
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## Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission celebrates 25th anniversary

The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission celebrates its silver anniversary in conserving the wildlife and habitats of Florida and providing diverse recreational opportunities for residents and visitors.

The FWC became operational July 1, 1999, after Florida voters elected to replace the Florida Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission, the Marine Fisheries Commission and parts of the Department of Environmental Protection with a new agency.

"I'm proud to say that over the past 25 years, we've made outstanding strides in our mission to manage Florida's fish and wildlife resources for their long-term well-being and the benefit of people," said FWC Executive Director Roger Young. "Our dedicated team has worked tirelessly through many changes, and because of their unwavering commitment and passion, we've accomplished so much."

Many of those accomplishments include enhancing and increasing our recreation opportunities including:

The FWC and partners have grown the Wildlife Management Area system to include more than 6 million acres of public land.

The Great Florida Birding and Wildlife Trail has more than 500 premier wildlife viewing sites across the state that were selected based on their unique wildlife viewing opportunities and ecological significance, educational opportunities, access for the public and resilience to recreational use.

Catch a Florida Memory is a saltwater angler recognition program that rewards anglers for their fishing efforts while encouraging them to target diverse species.

TrophyCatch is a citizen science program that collects valuable data and helps encourage fishing and conservation.

The State Reef Fish Survey helps improve recreational data for several reef fish species such as snapper, grouper and hogfish. Other major accomplishments over the past 25 years include:

—Restoring the wild turkey population in Holmes County that had virtually disappeared by the 1990s.

—Developing the world-renowned Python Challenge, an innovative competition created to increase awareness about invasive species and the threats they pose to Florida's ecology.

—Building the Florida Youth Conservation Center Network, a statewide group whose massive growth can be attributed to a thriving partnership with the non-profit Fish & Wildlife Foundation of Florida, a robust network of partners, and families' need to get kids outdoors and away from devices.

—Establishing the Vessel Turn-In Program, which allows vessel owners whose vessels are at risk of becoming derelict to voluntarily surrender their unwanted vessel to the FWC. Surrendered vessels are removed from Florida waters and destroyed at no cost to the vessel owner.

The FWC and its staff would like to thank all its partners, stakeholders, volunteers and others who have helped make it one of the foremost conservation agencies in the country. We look forward to making the next 25 years even more outstanding!



## Starke Rotary installs 2024-25 officers

The Rotary Club of Starke installed its 2024-25 officers at its June 26 meeting. Pictured (l-r) are President Brad Bishop, Vice President John Williams, Treasurer Kim Smith, Sergeant at Arms Dana Dejarnett, board members Michael Schloffman and Paula Register and Past President Matt Dyal. Bishop, Dejarnett and Williams were also recognized as Paul Harris Fellows — a designation that comes with making a \$1,000 donation to the Rotary Foundation. Not pictured: Secretary Marty Shaw and board member Jessie Myers.

## Starke's Gunter wins his 1st national-level Legend event

BY CLIFF SMELLEY  
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Starke's Brody Gunter had proven he could compete at the national level, but if you're sitting in the seat with the steering wheel in your hands, you want to do more than be competitive. You want to win.

After placing in the top five seven times in the last two years, Legend driver Gunter finally made it onto victory lane, winning round four of the Bojangles-sponsored Cook Out Summer Shootout at Charlotte Motor Speedway in Concord, North Carolina, on June 25.

"We had been close so many times," Gunter said, adding, "To finally get it is such a relief."

Gunter, 17, is in his fourth year of competing in Legend races, moving up from Quarter Midgets. This is his second year driving in the Semi-Pro division, which is for ages 16-39. His first two years were spent in the Young Lions division, which was for ages 13-15 when he began and now has a minimum age of 11.

He had seven Legend wins at the local level, but finally came out on top in an INEX-series national-level race. Gunter, who started the June 25 race in third, was running second to London McKenzie. After a caution on the final lap, Gunter got by McKenzie on the final turn.

Gunter said his number of past high finishes without winning suggested he should place first at some point, but he admitted he also felt like maybe he couldn't win.

"When I finally did it, it was just kind of unbelievable," Gunter said. "It didn't feel like it was real."

Gunter, the son of Bryan and Ashley Gunter, has been racing since the age of 6. It was something he wanted to do after attending a NASCAR event. A man who worked with his father put the family in touch with someone at Little New Smyrna Speedway, which led to Gunter driving Quarter Midgets — cars that are, as the name suggests, one-quarter the scale of Midget racers and powered by single-cylinder engines.

His first race resulted in a third-place finish. He then won his second race. In an interview for a 2020 Telegraph-Times-Monitor story, Gunter described the real-life win as better than a win in the racing video games he played, saying, "It was amazing. I just couldn't believe I had won an actual race in an actual car."

When Gunter began competing in the Senior division of Quarter Midgets, he eventually drove a car in each of the four engine classes: Animal, Honda, Light 160 and Light World Formula. In November 2019, he drove all four cars to victory at Little New Smyrna Speedway. As part of the 2020 Telegraph-Times-Monitor story, Gunter said, "Usually we would go down there, and we'd win three and do really bad in one, or we'd do good in two, and we didn't do good in the other two. That was actually a really exciting moment. We've won with three of my cars before, but four? That's pretty amazing. That's the most you can run."

Legend cars look like smaller versions (five-eighths scale) of 1930s-era Chevy coupes and sedans, modeled after NASCAR modifieds. Gunter said the cars, which have three-cylinder Yamaha engines, can reach



Brody Gunter celebrates his win in Round 4 of the Cook Out Summer Shootout at Charlotte Motor Speedway in North Carolina.



Brody Gunter (right) is pictured with his coach, Jordan Black, who's an accomplished Legend driver. Gunter credited Black with helping him with his confidence.

speeds up to 100 mph.

Gunter said he feels more like he's driving an actual car in Legend races as opposed to Quarter-Midget races. He said Quarter-Midgets are more like go-karts.

"It feels so much better — like I'm actually racing," Gunter said.

Ashley Gunter said Legend car drivers have more to control than in other types of cars, adding, "We've been told this is the hardest car to drive. If Brody was to step into a Late Model, he would think it was a breeze."

At first, Gunter wondered if he was ready for the change since he described Legend racing as "completely different" from Quarter-Midget racing. However, he decided that didn't matter. He was ready for the challenge. When he tested a Legend car, he thought to himself, "It doesn't matter how good I am in this now; it's something a lot more fun than what I've been doing."

Another difference is that now Gunter is part of the 510 Racing Team, which now means his family isn't responsible for the transportation and maintenance of his car.

"We just show up, and the car is ready to go," Ashley Gunter said. "That allows us to travel and not have to worry about the car being the best it can be because the team that he is on does all that for him."

Gunter also now has a driving coach — Jordan Black, who is an accomplished Legend driver who is a four-time champion in the Summer Shootout series. Ashley Gunter said Black has helped her son with his confidence in making the switch from Quarter Midgets to Legends.

Ashley Gunter said it also helps that Black is someone other than Mom or Dad.

"You have a neutral person who's not a family member," she

said.

Brody Gunter said Black and members of the 510 Racing Team all deserve thanks for helping him adapt to Legend racing.

"They've all helped me improve my confidence," he said.

Having confidence in the Summer Shootout is huge. Drivers from throughout the country (and also from overseas), who are successful at the local level, take part in the national event, which is eight consecutive weeks of racing (a total of 10 rounds).

"My crew chief describes it as every guy who can win from all the local tracks coming together to one event," Gunter said. "You basically find out who is the best from out of all those local tracks."

In his first year in the Legend Semi-Pro division, Gunter placed second once, third three times, fourth once and fifth once in the Summer Shootout.

Gunter said, "If you can basically just get a top five there, you're like one of the best in the country, they say."

He wound up finishing second out of 62 overall in the final points standings at the Shootout's conclusion.

This year's Summer Shootout began with Gunter placing second in his first race. He started in second and fell to fourth, saying he was stuck in traffic for most of the race before moving up to second on the last lap.

Gunter said he had a bad qualifying run for his Round 2 race, starting in seventh and falling to 14th. He managed to cross the finish line in ninth place in a race that featured no cautions.

His Round-3 race saw him get sandwiched into a wreck on a restart. Still, he was able to drive

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## Daniel Phillips

Daniel Littleton "Lit" Phillips, 82, went to his heavenly home on Friday, June 28, 2024, while in the care of Haven-Custead Care Center in Orange Park. He was a lifelong resident of Lawtey, born on Feb. 14, 1942, the youngest son of Owen James Sr. and Minnie Lee Phillips. He was blessed at birth with a big heart and loved his family and friends. He loved the Florida Gators, WWE, and Smackdown. Of even more importance to him was his dedication to the citizens, especially the children, of Lawtey by volunteering at the recreation department for many years and participating by making regular and holiday activities special for everyone. He also worked for the city of Lawtey for 32 years. He was preceded in death by his parents noted above; and his siblings, Elizabeth A. "Betty" Redd, William C. Phillips, Owen James Phillips Jr., Erle Leslie Phillips, and Ola Mae Gaskins.

He is survived by his loving and devoted wife of 42 years, Leila Jeanette Phillips; his four stepchildren, Kevin Bailey of Lawtey, Terry Bailey of St. Augustine, Jeff (Jackie) Reynolds of Jacksonville, and Diana (John) Stapleton of Starke; 10 stepgrandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; and his nephews and nieces, Neal Redd of Macon, Georgia, Cheryl Phillips of Gainesville, William Gaskins of Lawtey, and Dee Crawford of Lawtey. Also, a very special note is Ms. Laura Harris, most caring and dedicated friend and neighbor.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, July 13, at 11 a.m. at the First Baptist Church in Lawtey. Daniel's final memorialization will be by cremation.

Archer-Milton Funeral Home is honored to serve Daniel's family during this time. 386-496-2008 www.archerfuneralhome.com

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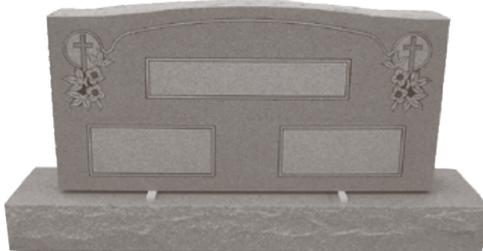
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Legals for the week of July 4, 2024

## BRADFORD

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA IN AND FOR BRADFORD COUNTY Case No. 2023-CA-000481

BILLIE BLOOM, Individually and as Personal Representative of the Estate of William Wilson, Sr. Plaintiff,

v. JOHN T. WILSON, individually, as the original Personal Representative of the Estate of WILLIAM WILSON and as the named Trustee of the WILLIAM WILSON REVOCABLE TRUST and WILLIAM WILSON, JR., individually and as acting Trustee of the WILLIAM WILSON REVOCABLE TRUST, Defendants.

**NOTICE OF ACTION**  
To: JOHN T. WILSON, individually, as the original personal representative of the estate of WILLIAM WILSON and as the named trustee of the WILLIAM WILSON REVOCABLE TRUST YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action for breach of fiduciary duty, accounting, and removal of trustee has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Jennifer Cates Lester, Esq., Attorney for Plaintiff, whose address is 2814 NW 13th Street, Gainesville, FL 32608, within 30 days after the first publication, and file the original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on the Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.  
DATED on June 25, 2024.  
Denny Thompson  
By: Kanetra Jenkins  
As Deputy Clerk

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

The City of Starke Florida will hold a City Commission Meeting on July 16, 2024 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 ordinance:

**ORDINANCE NUMBER 2024-17**  
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  
This ordinance is 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 ordinance.

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## UNION

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR UNION COUNTY, FLORIDA GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION

CASE NO. 23000052CAAXMX NEWREZ LLC D/B/A SHELLPOINT MORTGAGE SERVICING, Plaintiff,

vs. THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF SUZANNE BUONO, DECEASED, et al. Defendant(s).

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated April 25, 2024, and entered in 23000052CAAXMX of the Circuit Court of the EIGHTH Judicial Circuit in and for Union County, Florida, wherein NEWREZ LLC D/B/A SHELLPOINT MORTGAGE SERVICING is the Plaintiff and THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF SUZANNE BUONO, DECEASED; MICHAEL H. ROACH; PAUL PASTUSZEK; MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. AS NOMINEE FOR COUNTRYWIDE BANK, FSB are the Defendant(s). Kellie Hendricks Rhoades as the Clerk of the Circuit Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the Front Lobby, Union County Courthouse 55 W. Main Street, Lake Butler, FL 32054, at 11:00 AM, on July 18, 2024, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit: THE EAST 1320.00 FEET OF SECTION 36, TOWNSHIP 6 SOUTH, RANGE 18 EAST, NORTH AND EAST OF SANT FE RIVER, AND THE WEST 104.75 FEET OF SECTION 31, TOWNSHIP 6 SOUTH, RANGE 19 EAST, NORTH AND EAST OF SANTA FE RIVER, AS PER PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN BOOK 216, PAGE 189, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF UNION COUNTY, FLORIDA  
Property Address: 9947 SW 37TH ST, LAKE BUTLER, FL 32054  
Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim in accordance with Florida Statutes, Section 45.031. Dated this 19th day of June, 2024.  
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IN RE: The Estate of ARLENE HARRIS MCMURRAIN, Deceased.

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**  
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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 June 27<sup>th</sup>, 2024.  
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SOUTHWEST STAGE FUNDING, LLC DBA CASCADE FINANCIAL SERVICES Plaintiff(s),

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# SPORTS

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11 points each in a 65-29 win over Florida High in the state semifinals. The Indians also got 10 points from Cardenas, nine points from Teague, six points each from Morford and Lori Glenn, four points from Roseann Glenn, three points from Tuller, two points from Cara Mosley and one point from Marieka Brokas.

## UCHS wins 1st of 3 football titles in '94

Union County won three straight state championships in football in the 1990s, with the first title occurring in 1994. The Tigers' defense was stingy in the state-championship game, allowing Bishop Verot to drive past midfield only twice in a 21-0 win. Bishop Verot was held to 50 yards in the second half. Andrew Zow threw a 49-yard touchdown pass to Patrick Hampton for the Tigers' first score, which occurred in the first quarter.

A Wayne Moore interception set up the second score — a 17-yard touchdown run by Hampton in the second quarter. The score remained 14-0 until the fourth quarter, when Melvin Noisette's 33-yard gain on a screen pass set up his own 1-yard touchdown run. Noisette rushed for 52 yards on 11 carries, while Zow completed 6 of 10 passes for 136 yards. Hampton caught two passes for 61 yards. The defense got one interception each from Moore, Zow and Dexter Edwards. Union entered the playoffs with a 9-1 record, which was its best regular season since 1977. The Tigers had two dominating playoff wins and escaped with another win to reach the state-championship game for the second time in school history. The Tigers opened postseason play with a 50-6 win over Chiefland, but the next game was more dramatic. It took a touchdown with 20 seconds left (and a successful extra point) to give Union a 34-33 win over Baker.

A state semifinal game against Jefferson County saw Union build a 43-7 lead before winning 43-21. Moore scored seven touchdowns in those three playoff games, including the game-winner against Baker that capped a 92-yard drive. Zow had two touchdown runs and four touchdown passes in the three playoff games, with his scoring tosses going to Hampton, Noisette, Justin Hart and Zack Smith. Noisette, Ben Myers and Reggie "Biscuit" Nelson each had a touchdown run in the postseason leading Edwards had a touchdown off an interception. Andre Washington kicked a field goal and was responsible for the extra point that was the difference in the second-round win over Baker.

## BHS girls are state runners-up in cross country in 1984

Lori Sapp ran her way to a third-place finish in helping the

Bradford girls cross country team finish as Class 2A state runner-up in 1984. The Tornados finished behind Cocoa Beach. Bradford had four of its five scoring runners place in the top 20. Sapp ran a time of 12:05, followed by Kelly Jackson, who had a 13th-place time of 12:41, Lisa Tierney, who had a 17th-place time of 12:57.8, and Barbara Harris, who had an 18th-place time of 12:58. Chris Anders finished 31st with a time of 13:32. Also participating for Bradford were Cheryl Bogle (14:01) and Linda DeWitt (15:19). The team entered state after winning the District 2 championship. Sapp won the race with a time of 12:15, while Jackson and Tierney were fourth and fifth, respectively, with times of 12:38 and 12:39. Harris was seventh with a time of 13:09, while Bogle was 11th with a time of 13:39. Anders (14th) and DeWitt (23rd) had times of 13:47 and 15:28.

## Sherman is 1974 state runner-up for BHS in track, field

Bradford's Larry Sherman finished second in the 330-yard hurdles at the state meet, completing the race in 40.2 seconds. Sherman ran the same time at the district and regional meets. He won the district title, while placing second at the regional meet. The Tigers hurt themselves with fumbles inside the Jefferson 15- and 10-yard lines. Jefferson County scored all of its points in the first half. Andy Howard finally put the Tigers on the board with a 1-yard touchdown run in the fourth quarter. Union's march to the state

final began with a 41-6 playoff win over Crescent City. Curtis Sirmones, who rushed for 117 yards on 15 carries, had touchdown runs of 11, 33 and 51 yards. He also threw a 28-yard touchdown pass to Doug Barnett. Howard scored on a 28-yard run, while Lorenza Griffin found the end zone on a 1-yard plunge. David Brannen led the defense with 13 tackles, while Buddy Perry had seven. The Tigers defeated St. Andrews 43-0 to reach the state final. Sirmones had touchdown runs of 5, 33 and 35 yards. Griffin and Howard scored on runs of 11 and 14 yards, respectively, while Tony Paytee had a 3-yard touchdown run. BHS' Gardner is '64 shot-put champ Bradford's Tom Gardner won the shot put at the 1964 Class 1A state track and field championships, recording a distance of 55-6.5. Gardner qualified for state by winning the district championship with a distance of 51-0.

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# Former educators working more than their minds

BY CLIFF SMELLEY  
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“When you get older, about the only exercise you get is jogging your memory.”

Jim Love said it for laughs, but he, his wife, Arlette, and friends Russ Crawford and Sheryl Dixon are proving that they take exercise seriously.

Each member of the group

(all retired Bradford County teachers) is more than 65 years old. They meet twice a week at Starke’s S&J Downtown Athletic Club, making the commitment to improve their lives and help each other keep that commitment.

“If we do it as a group, we probably won’t quit,” Arlette said.

Crawford said, “I know if I didn’t have this group, I wouldn’t

be here. The group keeps me motivated to come and keep doing it.”

Jim Love said several factors influenced him and his wife to thinking about exercising. One was the commercial for the medical-alarm device that so many people know — the one with the woman on the floor who says, “I’ve fallen, and I can’t get up.”

“We basically wanted to be able to get up off the floor,” Jim said.

The other factor was visiting Arlette’s mother in the nursing home and seeing so many people having to rely upon walkers and wheelchairs.

“We wanted to do what we could to avoid that,” Jim said.

Arlette said she and Jim wanted to improve their flexibility, but taking the actual steps to do so came about through what she described as “a God thing.” Arlette explained that she and Jim were going to visit her mother in the nursing home on a Saturday when they decided to have lunch at Tony’s Italian Restaurant. They never go to Tony’s for lunch on a Saturday. As it turned out, the one time they did, they bumped into S&J Owner Shawn Jenkins, who held the door for them.



Jim Love (left), a retired Bradford High School teacher, and Russ Crawford, a retired Bradford Middle School teacher have been working out with fellow retired educators Sheryl Dixon (BMS) and Arlette Love (BMS) since the end of August 2023.



S&J Owner Shawn Jenkins (center) is pictured with self-proclaimed “Dinosaur Club” members (l-r) Russ Crawford, Sheryl Dixon, Arlette Love and Jim Love.

After sitting down, Arlette said she told Jim that they should ask Jenkins if he works with “old people.”

That’s how it began for the former educators, who now find themselves the pupils.

“He’s a go-getter,” Dixon said. “He works you hard. He doesn’t take ‘no’ for an answer. He’s encouraging.”

Arlette said through Jenkins’ encouragement, the group members have been able to exceed what they thought was

possible and to continue to reach new heights.

“Sometimes you get stuck at a weight and think, ‘I can’t do more than this,’” Arlette said. “Shawn will say, ‘You are ready. It is time.’ He moves us up. On our own, we’d probably be just happy doing what we were doing.”

Jim Love said, “He’s not a taskmaster. He’s a motivator.”

Arlette said what she and the others are doing is impressive because none of them were

into athletics when they were younger.

“Shawn took on a group of people who really didn’t like to exercise and really didn’t want to exercise,” Arlette said.

Crawford said he was honest with Jenkins, telling him, “I hate this. This is work. I’m lazy. I don’t like it.” Crawford, however, like the others in his group, has embraced the idea of getting physically fit. Jim said Crawford

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# GUNTER

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from 24th and finish in seventh. Then came Round 4 and Gunter's first-ever Summer Shootout win. "It's hard," Ashley Gunter said, adding that Michael Crafton, the driver who won the first three Semi-Pro races in this year's Summer Shootout, had never won a Summer Shootout event until this year. That first win came after five or six years of trying. Yet Gunter has proven himself, his mother said, noting that he's competing against drivers who are racing multiple times a week outside of Summer Shootout events.

"I think he's done amazing because the drivers he's driving with are in the car two to three times a week," Ashley said, adding, "He can basically do what they do, but we don't spend as much time and money as they do." Unfortunately, Gunter's climb in the sport may stop at Legend racing. He said he'd love to move up to Late-Model racing, but it's expensive. Gunter said he did make such a move, he'd go from racing approximately 30 times a year to approximately five. NASCAR, of course, requires money, too. "It's not talent anymore," Gunter said. "They care more about what you bring to the table outside of the race track

**Brody Gunter is pictured with his sister, Amaryn, after winning the June 25 race. The Summer Shootout consists of six more races. Gunter finished the series last year with the second-highest points total in the Semi-Pro division.**



compared to what you can do on the race track." However, he can continue racing at the Legend level, which

has a Master's division for drivers 40 years and older. Gunter said he'll reach a point where he's driving for fun instead of being

a serious competitor, adding that he's got life to think about. "I've got to get a job and kind of let it go eventually," he said.

For now, though, Gunter is participating in as many big, national-level events as is possible before graduating from high school and going to college. Rounds 5 and 6 of the Summer Shootout took place this past Monday and Tuesday (July 1-2). The remaining schedule is: Round 7, Tuesday, July 9; Round 8, Tuesday, July 16; Round 9, Tuesday, July 23; and Round 10, Tuesday, July 30. You can visit charlottemotorspedway.com for more information. Now that Gunter has that first Summer Shootout win, he can focus on getting another. "Now, we can move on," he said. "A lot of pressure has been taken off."



**Jim Love does leg presses, proving that he's nothing like the joke he likes to tell: "When you get older, about the only exercise you get is jogging your memory."**

# EXERCISE

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told the group it needed to go to the gym more than once a week, which was how often the initial workouts were. "There are days I don't feel like doing it," Crawford said, "but when I come in and when I'm done, it's like a sense of accomplishment. I enjoy it." You may hear members of the group refer to themselves as the Dinosaur Club. It's actually a term Crawford, Dixon and Arlette Love came up with

for themselves upon entering retirement from Bradford Middle School. (Jim Love taught at BHS.) "We were shuffling off to extinction as all these young people came in (behind us)," Arlette said. They may be extinct in a professional sense, but they're certainly not fading away in any other sense. The strides they've made in the gym and the way their bodies have responded are a testament to that. "I'm stronger," Dixon said. "I've got muscles now." It has been a process, of course — one that began at the end of

August 2023. Jim remembered what it was like at the first and said he joked with Jenkins that he wouldn't be the poster child for S&J. "One of the first times I got overheated and had to stop," Jim said. "(Jenkins) got me some water. I said, 'Having an old, white-haired guy in front of your gym throwing up in the street would not be good advertising.'" Arlette remembered being able to do only 15-25 of what are called "dead bugs," core-strengthening exercises that have you lying on your back. She said now she and her husband and friends can do 200 without even thinking about it. Crawford admitted he's ready to tackle one exercise or workout after completing another, something that was hard to do in the beginning. "Starting off, I'd have to go outside and huff and puff because I was always out of breath," Crawford said. "Now, it's like, 'Let's move on to the next thing.' I take a minute or two, but I'm not out of breath." Arlette said Crawford is now usually the first one in the gym. "He's already going on his mat exercises and ready to move next door (to where the gym's weights are)," Arlette said. Crawford said, "I move around a lot easier than I used to. I have more energy. I'm standing up straighter."

Arlette said the workouts helped her regain strength in one of her wrists, which she broke last year and had two subsequent surgeries on. Jenkins made any adaptations needed if her wrist hindered her from doing an exercise. "That was a big help," Arlette said. "Now, I'm a year after my last surgery, and I pretty much have back the strength I had before breaking my wrist." Jim Love said when he and his group members began leg presses, they added no weight to the platform, which weighs 50 pounds. Now, Arlette is doing more than 400 pounds, while Crawford has just recently exceeded 1,000 pounds. Jim said his goal after a year of working out was to leg press twice his body weight. However, after approximately 10 months of working out, he's leg pressing 20 reps of 1,065 pounds. In fact, he's become an attraction for the youth who work out at the gym. He said, "It's an ego trip for me when the kids go, 'Is that the guy?'" "That's his biggest encouragement — when the kids come in," Jenkins said. The encouragement works both ways. Jenkins said the youth are more apt to do something if they see someone older than them doing it. More than anything, Jenkins enjoys seeing the different ages



**Russ Crawford said he doesn't feel like working out some days, but he still makes himself go to the gym. When he's done, he said "It's like a sense of accomplishment."**

coming together in the gym. "They mix together so well," Jenkins said, adding, "Everyone gets along. It's a culture. It's a culture of young kids respecting the older generation and the older generation realizing what young kids are up to." Arlette said it's nice to be around kids again. "Since we retired from teaching, we don't get to see young children," she said. Perhaps more retired educators will become a part of the Dinosaur Club. "A couple of former colleagues keep threatening to join us," Jim Love said. If that happens, they might

find themselves doing things they never envisioned. As Jim told Crawford when they first started working out, "Do you realize we're paying Shawn to make us do things we swore we would never do when we got out of P.E.?" The important thing is they'll be doing more than simply jogging their memories, as Jim put it. As Jenkins put it, "Everything that's wrong with your body can be fixed if you just do it properly." "We try to cover every aspect of what can go wrong with your body at this age," Jenkins said. "We try to fix those things and then move forward."

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