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Thrills and disappointment for incumbents

BY MARK J. CRAWFORD
Telegraph Editor

Incumbents won the night in Bradford's county commission races, but not so in the District 5 race for school board.

Voters gave Kenny Thompson and Danny Riddick an additional term on the county commission, with Thompson receiving nearly 58% of the votes cast and Riddick receiving almost 41%. Riddick's nearest challenger in the four-way race was Tom Germano, who came close to 36%. Larry Davis was far behind Thompson at around 32%.

Lynn Melvin managed a landslide in the school board race, receiving more than 64% of the votes.

Fewer people voted in the Starke commission races, but the wins were decisive for incumbent Danny Nugent in District 1 and Andy Redding, who will replace retiring Commissioner Wilbur Waters in District 5.

Union County had two commission races on the ballot, and incumbent Channing Dobbs held onto his seat with nearly 82% of the vote in District 2. The District 4 race was much closer, with Mac Johns coming out in top at 38%, which amounted to 36 more votes than Lacey Cannon.

Voters also agreed to continue paying for library services with a dedicated portion of their property taxes. Almost 81% voted in favor of the referendum.

Two school board members in Clay, Janice Kerekes and Tina Bullock, lost their seats to challengers Erin Skipper and Michele Hanson. Ashley Gilhousen was reelected with more than 69% of the vote. Betsy Condon held onto her county commission seat, and voters chose Alexandra Comper to join the board by a large margin, as well.

All three counties overwhelmingly supported Democrat Val Demings to run against Sen. Marco Rubio in the fall. They also preferred Charlie Crist to run against Gov. Ron DeSantis over Nikki Fried.

Kat Cammack maintains undeniable support among local Republican voters. Bradford Democrats sided with challenger Danielle Hawk, but Union Democrats voted for Tom Wells. Hawk easily won the nomination districtwide.

Republican voters in Clay helped nominate Aaron Bean to run for Congress, while Bobby Payne will continue to represent them in the State House. Democrat Lashonda Holloway was leading Tony Hill by a few hundred votes at press time in a tight race for the nomination to run against Bean.

Republicans selected Wilton Simpson for Commissioner of Agriculture in all three counties, and he won the nomination. Democrats in all three counties supported Naomi Blemur, and she won the nomination as well.

Democrats in Clay backed Aramis Ayala for Attorney General, while Bradford and Union went with Jim Lewis. Ayala won the nomination.

A runoff for circuit judge was set between Sean Brewer and AuBroncee Martin. Martin enjoyed very little local support compared to Brewer.

How we voted

Local results for Bradford, Union & Clay

RACE	
Bradford County	
County Commission District 2	
Larry Davis (R)	31.5%
Kenny Thompson (R)	57.8%
Mark Williams (R)	10.7%
County Commission District 4	
Tom Germano (R)	35.9%
Christiann Hudson (R)	7.8%
Danny Riddick (R)	40.6%
Trish Tucker (R)	15.7%
School Board District 5	
Lynn Melvin	64.3%
Erica Reddish	35.7%
Starke City Commission District 1	
Michael Heeder	36.6%
Danny Nugent	63.4%
Starke City Commission District 5	
Randy Crews	22.6%
Andy Redding	57.5%
Lex Sanders	19.9%
Union County	
County Commission District 2	
Casey Clark (R)	18.4%
Channing Dobbs (R)	81.6%
County Commission District 4	
Lacey D. Cannon (R)	31.8%
Mac Johns (R)	37.8%
J.R. Rooney (R)	30.5%
Library Tax Referendum	
For	80.7%
Against	19.3%
Circuit Court	
Circuit Judge 8th Judicial Circuit	
Sean Brewer — Bradford	55.5%
Sean Brewer — Union	69.4%
AuBroncee Martin — Bradford	10.56%
AuBroncee Martin — Union	5.3%

RACE	
Clay County	
County Commission District 4	
Dale Carter (R)	35.4%
Betsy Condon (R)	64.6%
School Board District 1	
Janice Kerekes	33.2%
Charles Kirk	12.2%
Erin Skipper	54.6%
School Board District 4	
Tina Bullock	45.1%
Michele Hanson	54.9%
School Board District 5	
Gerald Beasley	30.6%
Ashley Gilhousen	69.4%
State & Congressional	
State Representative District 20 (R)	
Bobby Payne — Clay	79.9%
Congressional Representative District 3 (R)	
Kat Cammack — Bradford	89.8%
Kat Cammack — Union	90.4%
Congressional Representative District 3 (D)	
Danielle Hawk — Bradford	52.1%
Tom Wells — Union	55.1%
Congressional Representative District 4 (R)	
Aaron Bean — Clay	65.6%
Congressional Representative District 4 (D)	
LaShonda Holloway — Clay	55.7%
United States Senator (D)	
Val Demings — Bradford	66.1%
Val Demings — Union	52.3%
Val Demings — Clay	85.1%
County Court	
Clay County Judge Group 1	
Tonya Barge	27.5%
Raymond Forbess	50.9%
Geraldine Hartin	21.7%

Deputy resigns after traffic stop gone bad

BY DAN HILDEBRAN
Monitor Editor

STARKE— A Bradford County sheriff's deputy resigned following a traffic stop in which the agency said he failed to follow policy and exhibited unacceptable conduct.

Deputy Jacob Desue clocked a Jacksonville mother driving 75 mph in a 55-mph zone between Starke and Lawtey on U.S. 301.

When DeSue initiated his lights, the driver activated her emergency lights, then kept driving for several minutes before pulling over at Lawtey's Fast Track convenience store.

The encounter was captured by Desue's dash cam and body camera.

"You make any movement," Desue shouted from his vehicle while pointing his weapon at the woman's van. "that will be your last mistake



Deputy Jacob Desue handcuffs Ebony Washington during a traffic stop at Lawtey's Fast Track.

you're going to make."

The woman: Ebony Washington tried to tell Desue she delayed pulling over in order to find a well-lit area.

"I don't care about why," Desue responded. "Just shut up."

Prior to the stop, Desue is heard on video repeating his command for Washington to pull over immediately.

One of Washington's children also captured the stop on a cell phone camera. On that recording, the woman's children can be heard crying in the van while their mother was handcuffed.

"His verbal abuse was intolerable, and we weren't going to allow that at the Bradford County Sheriff's Office," said Col. Brad Smith.

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Sheriff Reddish turns 90

BY MARK J. CRAWFORD
Telegraph Editor

This Saturday, Aug. 27, is Sheriff Dolph Reddish Day in Bradford County in celebration of his 90th birthday.

County commissioners approved the proclamation Aug. 18, read into the record by Sheriff Gordon Smith.

Dolph Eugene Reddish was born on the family farm in Heilbronn Springs on Aug. 27, 1932. He is the son of Pete D. "P.D." and Ruth (Sapp) Reddish — both members of old Bradford County families.

Reddish was the second oldest of seven boys. He is the only one, however, who followed in his

father's footsteps into politics. "The Reddishes were some of the first people to settle in Bradford County," Reddish said in a 2014 Telegraph article. "The family came down from Jessup in Wayne County, Georgia, where there was a pair of father and son sheriffs. I've seen the first voter roll for this county, and there are about a dozen Reddishes on it."

Reddish went to work for his father — who had been elected sheriff in 1948 — at the jail and on the roads as a deputy in 1957 after graduating high school and returning home from the Air Force.

Reddish said he had never had any idea about getting into

law enforcement, but he needed the job, so he took it. He moved into the jail (then on Broadway Street) with his family and stayed there until 1960. Reddish lived downstairs, and the prisoners lived upstairs.

"It was a very consuming job, with something going on all the time," Reddish said. "Dad was the boss. I had no training in law enforcement or corrections, but I soon learned. I guess you could say that I had on-the-job training."

The longer he stayed, the more he learned both from experienced and formalized training. Eventually, he became chief investigator for the department. He said he learned to make hard decisions and "to speak to people frankly and directly with limited BS." He quickly learned the best way was to tell it like it is and to make quick, right decisions based on the circumstances known at the time. He said if this was done sincerely, then the decision was usually the right one.

Then, when his father retired from office, he learned about small town politics when he ran and won the office of sheriff in 1972. After that first campaign, he held the office for several more terms unopposed.



Michael Reddish, Monica Jo Ames, Karen Reddish, Dolph Reddish, Greg Reddish and Georgia Reddish.

As the proclamation declaring Sheriff Dolph Reddish Day states, Reddish served his county with distinction.

Before reading the proclamation, Sheriff Smith thanked Reddish for all of the contributions to his life.

"What you've done for your community, not only you but

your father — 40 years of law enforcement serving the citizens. And you really, you paved the way for modernizing the sheriff's office," Smith said. He thanked the Reddish family as well for their sacrifices, explaining people don't understand what an all-consuming job the sheriff has. Smith also thanked Col. Brad

Smith for approaching him with the idea for this proclamation from the county commission.

Reddish gave credit to those who worked with him throughout the years, saying he had a lot of help along the way.

An article by Tracy Tate contributed significantly to this story.

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Charter school supporters answer questions ahead of vote

BY MARK J. CRAWFORD
Telegraph Editor

Brooker Community School board members answered questions about the proposed charter school during a workshop with the school district on Aug. 22.

The Bradford School Board is scheduled to vote on the charter school application next month after being granted a 30-day extension to consider the application.

Charter school board members answered questions about enrollment, budget, transportation, curriculum and more, expressing an interest in working amicably with the school district.

"That's why we wanted to keep this whole process congenial. We are serving your students," said Randy Starling in answering a question about working with the district to meet the special needs of ESE students.

Starling is director of a charter school in Alachua County who worked many years for the Bradford School District. He will serve as vice chairman and treasurer on the Brooker Community School Board.

Brooker Town Clerk Suzanne McCree is set to take on the role of charter school board chair. Engineer Jerome Kelley will serve as secretary, and retired teachers Gail Cook and William Harrell are board members as well. They have been working with charter school consultant Raquel Espinosa from Miami.

"I have to say, in all the



At the table representing Brooker Community School (l-r) are Braxton Padgett, Richard Trainor, Randy Starling, Suzanne McRee, Raquel Espinosa, William Harrell and Gail Cook.

years and all of the many, many clients I have, I've never been as impressed about the passion of a group to start a school. It's a real grass roots effort," Espinosa said.

They have also hired Richard Trainor, a former CFO for Alachua schools and auditor, who now works on charter school finances, and attorney Braxton Padgett, an experienced charter school attorney from Jacksonville.

The charter school is intended to serve as a community school for Brooker with a rigorous curriculum that could even draw students from surrounding areas. There is also talk of weaving Brooker's rural nature into the curriculum with a focus on agriculture that could feed students into the middle school's agricultural program.

The charter school application was submitted in May. Since that time Superintendent Will Hartley, Assistant Superintendent Karen Clarke and department heads from finance, student services and food services have worked with a charter school consultant of their own to study the application, prepare questions and give the charter school board an opportunity to respond.

On Monday, Bradford School Board members had their chance to pose questions about the school, which, if approved, would open next August with as many as 116 kindergarten through fifth-grade students. The school distributed surveys and 237 were returned — all with positive responses about sending children to a local charter school. All except one responded they

would provide transportation to do so, since there will be no buses running to and from the school.

School Board Member Candace Osteen asked whether they know how many former Brooker Elementary School students had relied on bus transportation. According to the superintendent, it was 67%. With parents traveling to work outside of the area, Osteen said the lack of school transportation could pose a problem.

McRee said they are relying on the willingness expressed in the parent surveys, but parents would retain their choice send their child to a district school if transportation is an insurmountable problem. On the other hand, Starling said if parents feel an available charter

school is a better fit for their child, many make the effort to provide transportation. Parents will have an early drop-off opportunity at the school if they do work outside of the area, he said.

While they won't rely on the school district for transportation, the charter school board is hoping to work with food services to provide breakfasts and lunches. Starling said he has worked with current Bradford Food Service Director Blake Dicks in Alachua County, where his charter school picks up meals from one of the high schools. They are hoping for the same cooperation with the Bradford School District. Similarly, charter schools work hand-in-hand with school districts to provide all of the necessary services for ESE students, he said.

School Board Member Erica Reddish asked how the charter school would alter its structure if there were fewer students than anticipated or a concentration of students in a particular age group. How the structure would change would depend on who shows up. Enrollment will run from January through April 2023, giving them time to plan for the school's opening in the fall, Starling said. Parents would know in plenty of time if the school needs to drop or combine grade groups.

Starling also addressed the budget after having talked individually with school board members. The fund balance in year one for the budget submitted was low, he admitted, adding

that charter schools are not held to the same 3% fund balance standard that school districts are. However, since submitting the application with the proposed budget, they have raised more than \$40,000 in donations which can be rolled into the first year's budget and provide an even larger cushion.

McRee said everyone at the table brings something, but it has been a learning process for them all. Brooker has never had a charter school, she said, but every question they have encountered has been another opportunity to learn more.

"I know that we've spoken very candidly about working in partnership. This has to be a joint effort," she said, asking if they had given the school board everything they need. "Is there anything that would hinder approval?" she asked, requesting the board let them know.

"Please, let's go ahead and let's address that. Because the fact is that we all know the state of Florida is very favorable for charter schools. So if there's something we haven't addressed, we will address it. If there's a concern you have, no one's walking away without that answer, We will answer it," she said.

The school board will vote on the charter school application at its Sept. 12 meeting. There is a state appeals process if the school board denies the application. If approved, the superintendent will begin negotiating a contract with the new school.

Thousands of classroom books purchased with Altrusa grants

BY CHERYL CANOVA
Altrusa of Starke

Altrusa International of Starke received a grant from the Altrusa District Three Foundation in May for \$500 and another grant from the Altrusa International Foundation in June for \$4,000. Both grants were designated to provide books for the classrooms in our three public elementary schools.

In addition, to this funding the Altrusa International Club of Starke will contribute \$500 and the membership will collectively give another \$500. That's \$5,000 for books in the classrooms that will stay in each classroom, so when new teachers come in, they will have a substantial library of books for their students to read in class and take home to read as well.

The funding was divided between the three schools based on enrollment.

Starke Elementary got things started with the purchase of 373 books before school started, and were featured a few weeks ago on the front page of the Telegraph. They still have a good amount of funding left to purchase more books.

Southside went shopping two days before school started. They sent a teacher for each grade level to select their books and spent all of their allocated funds, except for about \$2. They selected 1072 books with the funds that Altrusa

provided, and each lead teacher for each grade, gladly put them in a buggy and rolled them to their classrooms to divide among the teachers after the attached pictures were taken.

Lawtey has not been shopping yet, so we hope to have some photos to share of their shopping for books in the near future.

All of the books that are purchased are stamped with a "Donated by Altrusa International of Starke" stamp by a couple of club members. Currently the total number of books purchased to date is 1,445. We should be over 2,500 books donated when all of the purchases are done.

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One of our main projects this year focuses on literacy, and we hope to see our students reading more and improving their reading scores. Along with this donation, our Starke members will continue to read in the classrooms during the 2022-2023 school year. If you would like someone from Altrusa to read in your elementary classroom at Lawtey, Southside or Starke Elementary Schools, please contact Cheryl Canova at ccanova53@gmail.com.



Southside teachers Cassandra Reed, Victoria Weaver, Tamera Roberts, Amber Hartley, Jennifer McClellan and Lacey Hudgens with Altrusans (center) Cheryl Canova and Dimple Overstreet.

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Lake Region

Lake Area Ministries rejects USDA food donations

Federal agency: No praying allowed

BY DAN HILDEBRAN
Monitor Editor

KEYSTONE HEIGHTS—The executive director of Lake Area Ministries said her organization is no longer accepting food donations from the U.S. Department of Agriculture after the federal agency told the ministry to stop praying with clients.

Tanya Dennis told the Keystone Heights Rotary Club that in addition to the prohibition on prayer, the agency also requires burdensome paperwork from the ministry and prohibits LAM from collecting any information from food recipients or asking them questions.

She added that praying with clients, counseling them and talking to them about their lives are integral parts of the ministry. She said compliance with USDA rules would cripple the organization's central mission.



Tanya Dennis of Lake Area Ministries speaks to the Keystone Heights Rotary Club.

"We interact with them," Dennis said, "praying with them

outside, getting their stories, helping them with more things besides food. We don't want to put a band-aid on it, and they keep coming. (We ask questions) like: What's going on? What's happening? Do you need a job? How's housing?"

Dennis told one story of a father whose children had been out of school for six months because the parents erroneously thought they could only register their children online for classes.

"I'm like, no, let me make a phone call," Dennis recalled of her response to the dad. "We got his kids in school."

"We have been blessed since we got them out of there," Dennis said of the ministry's break with the federal agency. "We're more than just a food pantry. It starts with food, but then we just minister out from there."

We all worry sometimes

Dennis made the comments while giving the Rotary Club

an update on the ministry's activities.

She said LAM has been providing food to the hungry for over three decades.

"Things have changed in the past 32 years," she said. "Thirty-two years ago, a loaf of bread was 70 cents. Today it is over \$4."

Dennis added that while food costs are rising, more people are seeking help from the organization.

"It's easy to worry," she said of the outlook for the area. "We all worry sometimes, but we're confident we can be the hands and feet of Lake Area Ministries and continue to serve the Lake Region."

Dennis said the ministry helped 7,532 families in 2021, up from 7,505 the previous year.

"And out of those Year 2021 families, 167 are new families," she said. "They're brand new to LAM: they've either moved to the area, or they're just in need of food now."

Wanted: peanut butter

Dennis said the organization had spent over \$50,000 on food through the second quarter.

She added that the ministry's overwhelming majority of food is from local groceries.

Dennis also revealed that the elderly are increasingly in need of food, with around one-third of the ministry's clients between 65 and 70 years of age.

"The price of food went up, Social Security stayed the same, medicine went up, and they can't make ends meet," she said.

Asked what food item the ministry needs most, Dennis replied: peanut butter.

"Many seniors use peanut butter with their medicine in the morning because of the protein," she said.

Dennis added that peanut butter and jelly sandwiches remain a favorite with children, "and we always have plenty of bread. We have no problem with bread."



Clear Science Inc. president Bruce Ford

KH firm awarded \$25 million contract

BY DAN HILDEBRAN
Monitor Editor

KEYSTONE HEIGHTS—The Federal Aviation Administration awarded Clear Science Inc. a contract to provide weather observation services at 11 commercial airports in the western U.S.

Under the 5-year contract, the company will employ certified weather observers to enhance safety of flight by providing real-time updates of hazardous conditions and augmenting automated weather systems' capabilities.

"The FAA contract underscores CSI's capabilities as a weather-centric company," said

Clear Science President Bruce Ford. "From cutting-edge R&D to 24/7 aviation support, we are laser-focused on using weather information – past, present, and future – to reduce risk and enable our customers to make more informed decisions."

The contract adds 75 certified weather observation personnel to Clear Science's workforce, with sites at Centennial, Colorado Springs, and Denver, Colorado; Billings, Montana; Las Vegas and Reno, Nevada; Portland and Eugene, Oregon; Salt Lake City, Utah; and Seattle and Spokane, Washington.

Clear Science is a certified service-disabled veteran-owned small business based in Keystone

Heights. The firm provides weather-related operational support, software development and maintenance, and risk management and decision support services.

Ford launched Clear Science in 2003, while working as a Navy meteorologist and oceanographer in Jacksonville.

He retired from the Navy in 2005 and eight years later he and his wife Jennifer moved to the Lake Region to start a farm.

Last year Jennifer started her own enterprise: The Learning Wheel enrichment center, party venue and tea room.

Clay Electric Foundation awards \$89,417

BY DAN HILDEBRAN
Monitor Editor

KEYSTONE HEIGHTS—The Clay Electric Foundation approved eight grants in July for \$89,417.

The Food Pantry of Green Cove Springs, Alachua Habitat for Humanity, Haven Hospice Foundation and Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches received \$15,000 each.

The Food Pantry of Green Cove Springs is an all-volunteer organization that provides Clay County with emergency food for families and individuals in need. Funds from the grant will be used to purchase nonperishable food items.

Haven Hospice is a not-for-profit community hospice organization providing comprehensive end-of-life and palliative care services.

Grant funds will help to supply educational videos and translation services to provide caregivers with easily understood instructions for taking care of patients.

The mission of the Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches is to prevent delinquency and develop lawful, resilient and productive citizens. The grant will be used to purchase school uniforms for youth residents.

Other grant recipients were: Southeastern Guide Dogs: \$5,000

The nonprofit trains dogs for people who are blind, veterans, and children. Grant funds will be applied to the Enhanced Alumni Support program to relieve individuals of the cost of having a working dog.

Unity Family Community Center of Levy County: \$10,548
This group is located in

Williston and provides health initiatives, social services and economic development programs. Grant funding will expand the center's afterschool program to include hands-on STEAM activities.

Children's Home Society of Florida in Putnam County: \$3,869

Funds from the grant will provide students at Wilkinson Junior High School with access to a laundry facility to reduce school absences.

Open Arms Village in Marion County: \$10,000

Open Arms Village exists to create a safe community that treats homeless individuals with dignity and provides for their basic needs. Grant funds will support the development of an outdoor recreation area for the homeless shelter.

Commissioners earn certification

BY DAN HILDEBRAN
Monitor Editor

KEYSTONE HEIGHTS—Clay County Commissioners James Renninger and Betsy Condon were awarded the Advanced County Commissioner Level 1 designation from the Institute for County Government.

Condon represents the Lake Region on the board of county commissioners. Renninger represents the Orange Park area.

Both commissioners were recognized during the Florida Association of Counties annual conference in Orlando on June 30.

The Advanced County Commissioner Level 1 program consists of three, two-day seminars and 27 hours of total coursework, focusing on leadership development with an emphasis on the future of Florida.

Sixteen other Florida commissioners earned the

designation this year.

During the same conference, the Florida Association of Counties presented Commissioner Mike Cella with the Presidential Advocacy Award for his work during the 2022 legislative session.

The award recognizes county commissioners who have shown exceptional leadership during the legislative session to advance counties' legislative agenda and preserve home rule.

Democratic Women meet Aug. 25

Anna Eskamani will be the guest speaker when the Democratic Women of the Lakes Area meet in August.

The group will meet on Zoom, Aug. 25 at 7 p.m. Eskamani

is an elected representative from Orlando and a new leader in the Democratic Party. For further information or Zoom link, call 352-235-4161 or write cjhoooverowen@att.net.

Upcoming food distribution

A communitywide food

distribution hosted by Farm Share and True Vine Ministry will take place Thursday, Aug. 25, at a.m. at Philadelphia Baptist Church in Lawtey.

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.

Pastor meet and greet

Pastors are invited to meet on Aug. 25 at 10:30 a.m. at First Baptist Church of Starke's fellowship hall. It will be a time to meet and greet with a focus on strengthening the local church. Lunch will be provided.

Text or call 904-263-2127 to

RSVP.

Free fish, Covid kits and supplies

A Caring and Sharing Drive-Thru sponsored by Elder Options and the Bradford County Faith Community Center will take

place on Saturday, Aug. 27, from 3 to 6 p.m. until all out.

Everyone is welcome to drive by the Faith Community Center at 721 Old Lawtey Road in Starke for free hot fish and grits, free Covid 19 home testing kits and free cleaning supplies.

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Camp Crystal Lake director sues Alachua School Board

BY DAN HILDEBRAN
Monitor Editor

KEYSTONE HEIGHTS—Camp Crystal Lake Director Scott Burton and his wife Holly have filed a lawsuit against the Alachua County School Board, former superintendent Carley Simon and a former assistant of Simon's who is now running for school board.

The camp is located next to the Keystone Heights Airport and is owned by the Alachua County School District.

The lawsuit alleges that while superintendent, Simon and her assistant Prescott Cowels made false statements about Scott Burton, accusing him of financial mismanagement of the camp.

The complaint also asserts that Simon's motivation for her false allegations against the camp director were Holly Burton's opposition to Simon's plans to build a new school in Hawthorne, replacing Shell Elementary School of which Holly Burton is the principal.

Superintendent's email

Simon first publicly accused Scott Burton of fraud and financial mismanagement in a Nov. 5, 2021, email to board members.

In it she said the district improperly paid a monthly \$182 Dish television service for Burton's family, that Burton and his family lived within the camp rent free, and that a scholarship fund designed to assist financially disadvantaged



Camp Crystal Lake Director Scott Burton speaks to the Keystone Heights Rotary Club in 2021.



Former Alachua County Public Schools Superintendent Carlee Simon addresses the school board on April 12.

campers was poorly managed. She also accused Burton of awarding gifts of camp tuition to his friends.

"Other scholarships were given to friends from affluent families that could otherwise afford the camp tuition," Simon wrote. "The 'friend' recipients did not apply for the scholarships either. It was given and taken without going through any process. This is especially concerning, as we are aware of other scholarship applicants that were not awarded the full tuition."

Simon also claimed the camp was allowing students from outside Alachua County to attend summer camp, when students within the county were unable to

attend due to a lack of available spots.

Investigation

On Jan. 19 the district placed Burton on paid administrative leave and began investigating Simon's allegations. The district's human resource investigators interviewed Simon, the camp's registrar and executive assistant, the district's Finance Chief Alexander Rella, Administrative Secretary for Public Information Prescott Cowles, who worked at the camp for a year and finally Burton.

Rella told investigators he had been aware of and concerned about the allegations made by

Simon for over five years.

"I've been looking at it," Rella told investigators according to the investigative report. "I've brought the same concerns up to all of the superintendents."

Burton told investigators he followed the procedures that had been in place at the camp for years. He also claimed that he could not respond to many questions asked by investigators because he had been locked out of his records and email account. Burton added that at least on two occasions, he requested from the district assistance with drafting policies and guidelines for the awarding of scholarships.

At the conclusion of the inquiry, a five-member

investigations review committee found that there was no probable cause for disciplinary action against Burton.

she said backed up her claims of Burton handing out camp scholarships to friends.

New school proposed

The lawsuit claims Simon's actions against Scott Burton stem from an October 2021 community meeting held in Hawthorne in which Simon made a surprise announcement of her plans to replace Chester Shell Elementary and other Hawthorne schools with a new K-12 campus.

School Board Member Leanetta McNealy said she supported Simon's idea, but Holly Burton stood against the plan.

"At that meeting, Ms. Burton publicly opposed the new K-12 facility because of Chester Shell Elementary School's historical significance to the community," the complaint alleges. "Ms. Burton encouraged Simon to include the community in these plans before moving forward with the project. It was evident at that meeting that Ms. Burton's candor and suggestions to Simon's plans was not appreciated by Simon."

The complaint adds that four days after the Hawthorne community meeting, Scott Burton was summoned to Simon's office and questioned about his living arrangements at the camp.

The lawsuit accuses the defendants of defamation, interfering with a contract, interfering with a business contract, and intentional infliction of emotional distress.

Letters

Support for charter school

Dear Editor:

I walked by Brooker Elementary recently and noticed the fence was down in back. I soon realized the portable had been removed from the big patch of dirt. Weeds and trees are taking over and it looks more and more deserted.

A group of concerned citizens have raised over \$300,000 to begin a new charter school in this building and are ready to begin the work to fix it up so school can begin next year in 2023. The longer this drags out, the more work it will take to bring it up to speed.

The distance from Brooker to Starke and the other schools is not a good thing for Brooker and its young children. This school would be a huge asset to the community and even to Bradford County in general. Students from Union and Alachua would also attend this charter. Students who can go here will be more inclined to move on to BMS and BHS if allowed to attend school in Brooker like they did for so many years.

I loved Hampton Elementary and my heart will always be there, but the new school is much closer to Hampton than Brooker. Brooker has the support and financial backing to operate a charter out here. I am a big supporter of public schools, but when the state fails to fund counties so they can serve all citizens in education, other options need to be explored and even put into action.

This needs to be finalized so this group can move forward to bringing a school back to Brooker.

Steve Acree
Brooker

Cemetery solutions

Dear Editor:

Since the Telegraph had an article dealing with the lack of attention to keeping up the Crosby Lake Cemetery, I have heard from several people expressing their concern for something to be done.

I know that when I moved to Starke, some of the churches were involved in handling the cemetery, apparently part of the wishes of the late DeWitt C. Jones, who handed over control of the cemetery to the community. I do not know what happened to cause the churches to back off of support, but it is obvious that most churches in town have former members who are interred there, and church members who are the families of those buried in the cemetery.

I would suggest that churches could become involved in supporting the cemetery through budgeting for annual donations,

asking for special offerings, or having fund-raising events.

Another solution would be for the county or city to assume control of the cemetery and use inmates to do the yard work and maintenance as they do for other city or county properties. Some do-gooders would accuse us of abusing the inmates by such use, but commonly, the inmates would rather have the opportunity to be outside doing some work, as opposed to sitting in a cell 24/7 with nothing to do but twiddle their thumbs.

I have been told that a few families with members buried in the cemetery reportedly make annual contributions for its maintenance, but that support is certainly not sufficient. It is time for the community to get involved as the Crosby Lake Cemetery is a much-used and needed community asset.

James D. Powell

Many thanks from a grateful teacher

Dear Editor:

I would like take this opportunity to thank the Bradford County Education Foundation for its recent *Leave a Legacy* dinner which honored Mrs. Linda Alday and myself for our years of service in the school district. The work they do to support our schools is truly amazing. The generosity of spirit they showed me was both heartwarming and impressive. A special thanks to Cheryl Canova and Brenda Thornton for being so encouraging to me. Also to the entire team of BCEF workers who put this event together: Lynn Bryan, Dalton Diggs, Sheryl Dixon, Brenda Donaldson, Matt Dyal, Lisa Gault, Will Hartley, Vorease Jones, Sarah Long, Dimple Overstreet, Paula Register, Lila Sellers, Donna Tew, Chrissy Thompson, Kara Wainwright and Eugenia Whitehead.

I would also like to thank BHS Assistant Principal Chris Coffey for being so kind and accommodating to me in the days ahead of this event. And to Choral Director Hannah Mazur, Band Director David Ramos, Media Specialist Marie Appling and Head Custodian Curtis Knights for their willingness to assist me at times that were inconvenient for them. I am deeply grateful for the many kindnesses they extended to me. I would also like to thank Mrs. Lila Sellers for her help in expediting a much needed work order in the music department.

I am very grateful to the staff at Madison Street Baptist Church, who hosted the event. They all were extremely helpful and willing to stop whatever they were doing to help

me. Many thanks to Charles Warren, April Kelly, Richard Cason and Callihan Helms for their help. And a special thanks to Bob Milner, who was a great help to me in more ways than I could list here.

And to Jenna Hewett, who spearheaded the efforts to contact former students and to provide information to them and to sell tickets and collect payments. Without her efforts, I don't believe this event would have been nearly as successful. Many thanks to Jenna.

But most of all, I would like to thank my former students who participated in this event. Their willingness to take the necessary time out of their lives to be a part of this is truly remarkable to me. A good number of them traveled great distances to be a part of the *Leave a Legacy* dinner.

My only regret is that I could not invite all of my students to

participate. I needed to keep the group to a certain size (60), while maintaining a musical balance and have it be representative of my 30-year career. As it turned out, the chorus had one-third of its members who represented each decade, with graduates from the 1980s, 1990s and 2000s. This made it impossible for me to invite so many others that I would have desired.

And lastly, many thanks to the parents of my former students who attended the dinner. Without their love and support over the years, we wouldn't have had anything to celebrate. Thank you all for the many kind gestures shown to me by so many of you. I am truly honored and will forever be grateful to you all.

Don Hardy
Retired BHS Choral Director

Melrose Art Walk

Join Mossman Hall for the second annual Children's Art Show on Friday, Sept. 2, at 6 p.m. This month's Art Walk will also feature live music from Easily Distracted, food trucks, children's games and crafts, and a live chainsaw art demonstration.

On the first Friday of every month, from 6 to 9 p.m., the Melrose Art Walk encourages patrons to visit exhibits at each of the town's galleries. The Art Walk is sponsored by the Melrose All Arts Council.

RJE banquet in September

The RJE Alumni will be hosting a Purple and Gold Banquet on Saturday, Sept. 3,

beginning at 6 p.m. with a social hour and a banquet at 7 p.m. The banquet will be held at the Camp Blanding Facility, 5629 State Road 16 West, Starke.

Tickets are \$30 per person and can be purchased from any Alumni Executive Committee Member: Joann Jackson, Sherry Williams, Alica McMillian, Carnell Williams, Linda Hampton, Sandra Demps, Sylvia Patterson, Brenda Butler, Mary Lett, Glory Jackson, Gloria Harrison, Wanda Middleton, Mildred Petteway and Lillie Strachan.

Dress is dressy causal. If you are ready to get out and enjoy some good food, fellowship, great music and share memories of Dear Ol' RJE, the committee looks forward to seeing you there. Please share with your family and friends.



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Union County 4-H members volunteered to help-out at the dinner and auction event. These helped serve the food and kept the buffet stocked. Pictured are: (front, l-r) Marcus Jefferson, Raylan Dyal, Callen Collins and Naomi Croft; (back, l-r) Cadence Collins, Cuyler Collins, Macie Wilson, Maddie Croft, Latoya Hampton, Naliana Hampton and Alayah Jefferson.



ASPCA workers tend to a dog rescued from a Union County home. Photo: American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals

Animals rescued from Union County home

BY DAN HILDEBRAN
Monitor Editor

LAKE BUTLER— The American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals said it assisted Union deputies with the rescue of more than 50 cats and dogs from a property in Lake Butler.

The nonprofit said in a news release that when investigators arrived on the property, they discovered the animals, including newborn kittens, living in filthy conditions and exposed to elevated levels of ammonia. Some of the animals were underweight and appeared to be suffering from untreated medical conditions.

Union County Sheriff Brad Whitehead thanked the animal welfare organization for its assistance.

“We always take animal

cruelty seriously and it will not be tolerated in our county,” said Whitehead, according to the release. “We continue to work closely with the ASPCA and thank them for their expertise and support so we can proceed with criminal charges and prosecution, and to ensure the wellbeing of these animals.”

The ASPCA said it is also assisting with operational planning, evidence collection, legal assistance, forensics exams, medical care, and behavioral treatment and enrichment for the animals. The animals removed from the property are being relocated to the ASPCA Cruelty Recovery Center. Brevard SPCA is assisting with this case by transporting and providing overnight care for the cats, and Flagler Humane Society provided medical assistance on scene.

Annual 4-H auction raises funds for youth

BY TRACY LEE TATE
Times Editor

The Union County Annual 4-H Association Auction was held Friday, Aug. 12 at the Hal Y. Maines Community Center at the lake, with a meal and active and silent auctions. The event was sponsored by the Union County 4-H Association, made up of Karen Cossey, Ashkea Dyal, Christy Huntley, Anna Woods, Eric Williams and David Stegall, a group organized to support 4-H and raise funds for its programs.

About 150 people attended the event, first to enjoy a meal and social time and then to bid on the items donated for the auctions to raise funds for 4-H activities throughout the coming year. A total of 59 items for the active auction and another 70 items for the silent auction were donated by local businesses and individuals to help the organization raise funds.

The donated items ran from agricultural products to apparel to baked goods to luxury items. The highest bid item in the live auction was a 3-hour Private Party Acoustic House Party given by local songstress Sondra Hunt, which brought a winning bid of \$750.

As usual, the baked good brought some of the highest bids, with Denise Crawford’s “Famous Homemade Cinnamon Rolls” bringing the highest bid in the category at \$325. In a humorous mishap that worked out all right in the end, the Pound Cake donated for the live auction by Nancy Stalnaker never made it to the table of auction items. The cake was accidentally placed on the dessert buffet and was enjoyed by the attendees long before the item was called for



Naomi Croft (front) holding a quilt made and donated for auction by Jan Thomas while Naliana Hampton, Cadence Collins and Erin Harlow admire the bright colors.

during the auction. Stalnaker saved the day when the mistake was discovered, saying that she would custom bake the winner’s cake of choice if the bidding could proceed. Proceed it did, with a final winning bid of \$265.

The silent auction total was a little more than \$2,000 while the live auction totaled more than \$10,000 to support 4-H programs in the county.

Union County 4-H clubs and their leaders assisted with serving the meal and displaying items for the live auction. The clubs, and their leaders, are: Baas and Billies Goat Club – Kayla Kadlac, Bullseye Brigade Archery Club – Eric and Emily Wilson & Shane and Kimberly Collins, Clover Buds – Meagan

Daniel, Dirty Boots Country Roots – Sondra Hunt, Pig Tails and Pony Tails – Selena Chassie, Providence Friendship Club – Luke and Erin Harlow, Sugarberries – Angela Griffis, UCHS Community Service Club – Meagan Daniel and the Union County Club – Meagan Daniel, Union County Homeschool Club – Ashkea Dyal, Shannon Croft and Karen Elixson.

The donors who made the event possible were: David Stegall, Elixson’s Lumber, Union Power Equipment, Williams Gas, Badcock Furniture, Biellings Tires, Hamilton Farms, Eric Wilson, the Hendrix Family, Ward Timber, Karlee Cason, Tana Godwin, The Ag Shop, Crafty Beach, Barbara’s Florist,

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Union County 4-H and the 4-H Association would like to thank all of the donors and bidders that came out to bid for making the event possible.

Local man continues family tradition of community assistance

BY TRACY LEE TATE
Times Editor

When people in Union County hear the name George Green, most of the older people, at least, think of George Green Sr., the Executive Director of the Union County Housing Authority. But senior has a son and he is now working in the county to help people get training and employment to better their lives.

George Green Jr., 46, was born and raised in Union County. He is a Union County High School graduate, where he played football in the positions of receiver and cornerback. He attended Florida Gateway College where he met his wife, Natasha and the couple has been married for 23 years.

Green went to work at the RMC in 1996, progressing from correctional officer to Sargent, then became an inspector with the Department of Corrections Inspector General’s Office in 2010. He served a total of 22 years with the DOC, as well as three years as a detention deputy with the Alachua County Sheriff’s Office and as a part-time deputy with the Union County Sheriff’s Office from 2004-2008. He finally took retirement in 2021 after working in law



George Green Jr.

enforcement/corrections for 25 years. Besides all of this, he also served on the Union County School Board from 2006-2010.

He said he retired in March of 2021, mainly because he was “burned out” and ready for something new. Almost immediately he took a job with WellCare selling Medicare supplemental insurance. He sold insurance for six months and then quit when he found his current job at Career Source Florida/Florida Crown.

“I wasn’t going to quit a

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Everyone was waiting for the auction to start so they could get to work. Pictured are (l-r): Eric Wilson, Josie Harlow, Cuyler Collins, Erin Harlow, Latoya Hampton, Alayah Jefferson and Cadence Collins.

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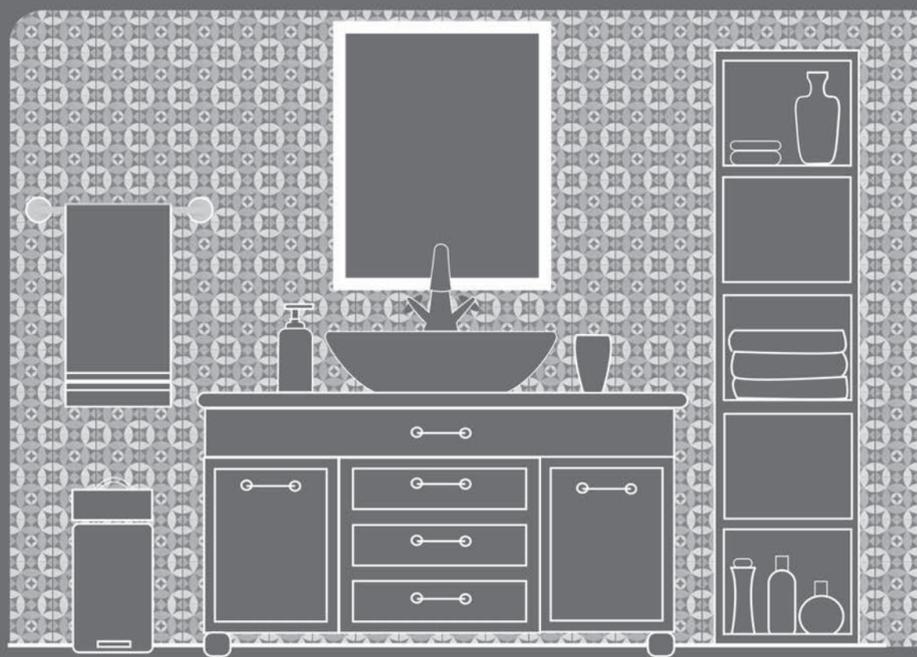
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Crime

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

Martavious Antron Albritton, 29, of Lawley was arrested by Bradford deputies on Aug. 20 for DUI.

Alvin Jerome Bradley, 59, of Jacksonville was arrested by Bradford deputies on Aug. 16 for a probation violation.

Brison Ellis Bynum, 22, of Starke was arrested by Bradford deputies on Aug. 18 for resisting an officer.

Pedro Alvin Carter, 20, of Starke was arrested by Starke police on Aug. 13 for battery.

Hubert Benjamin Edenfield, 34, of Starke was arrested by Bradford deputies on Aug. 19 for an out-of-county warrant.

Jamie A. Gomez, 21, of Jacksonville was arrested by Bradford deputies on Aug. 14 for an out-of-county warrant.

Nicole Renee Hampton, 29, was arrested by Bradford deputies on Aug. 16 for an out-of-county warrant.

Terrell Kishay Kennedy, 33, of Starke was arrested by Starke police on Aug. 19 for resisting an officer, possession of a weapon by a felon or delinquent, child cruelty, burglary, false imprisonment and aggravated assault.

Kevin Dwayne Padgett, 45, of Florahome was arrested by Bradford deputies on Aug. 13 for a probation violation.

Bruce Kenneth Phillips, 65, of Middleburg was arrested by Starke police on Aug. 14 for aggravated battery.

John Divine Rivera Torres, 22, of Jacksonville was arrested

by Bradford deputies on Aug. 15 for driving with a suspended or revoked license.

Bryan Datrell Tanner, 36, of Brooker, was arrested by Bradford deputies on Aug. 18 for an out-of-county warrant.

Wesley Ernest Tanner, 39, of Keystone Heights was arrested by Bradford deputies on Aug. 16 for possession of marijuana, driving with a suspended or revoked license and possession of drug equipment.

Lee Verne Tate, 34, of Starke was arrested by Bradford deputies on Aug. 15 for aggravated assault.

Jessica Diane Taylor, 41, of Gainesville was arrested by Bradford deputies on Aug. 16 for failure to appear.

Don Miguel Thomas, 41, of Worthington Springs was arrested by Starke police on Aug. 16 for failure to appear.

Nathan Alonzo Thomas, 40, of Starke was arrested by Starke police on Aug. 17 for contempt of court.

Joshua Allen Tomlinson, 21, of Trenton was arrested by Starke police on Aug. 16 for battery.

Corbert Eldell Williams, 21, of Jacksonville was arrested by FHP troopers on Aug. 20 for assault and resisting an officer.

Jalen Lavel Williams, 20, of Lawley, was arrested by Starke police for disorderly conduct.

Union

Brittney Lynn Alfonso, 36, of Lake Butler was arrested by Union deputies on Aug. 18 for an out-of-county warrant.

Connor Lee Austin, 27, of Lawley was arrested by Union deputies on Aug. 16 for larceny.

Rodencia Morran Austin Sr., 66, of Raiford was arrested by Union deputies on Aug. 20 for battery and sexual assault.

Isaiah Taylor Banks, 19, of Starke was arrested by Union deputies on Aug. 18 for failure to appear.

Brandon Scott Cramer, 32, of Lake City was arrested by Union deputies on Aug. 20 for possession of a weapon by a felon or delinquent.

Jonathan Christopher Culverson, 29, of Raiford was arrested by Union deputies on Aug. 17 for a probation violation.

Openella Jordan, 56, of Lake Butler was arrested by Union deputies on Aug. 19 for possession of drugs and possession of narcotics equipment.

Calvin Williams Lane Jr., 30, of Lake Butler was arrested by Union deputies on Aug. 16 for a probation violation.

Marvin R. Pace, 33, was arrested by Clay deputies on Aug. 22 for resisting an officer, battery on a law enforcement officer and battery on a detention facility employee with fluids.

John Elliot Ritch, 19, of Fort White was arrested by Union deputies on Aug. 19 for a probation violation.

Alfriele Veddia Watkins, 24, of Cross City was arrested by Union deputies on Aug. 17 for an out-of-county warrant.

Clay

Pamela Lee Easter, 21, of Keystone Heights was arrested by Clay deputies on Aug. 16 for burglary and vehicle theft.

Steven James Fitzgerald, 66, of Melrose was arrested by Clay deputies on Aug. 19 for petit theft and trespassing.

Willie Akilshaker Ford, 44, of Keystone Heights was arrested by Clay deputies on Aug. 17 for possession of a controlled substance without a prescription, trafficking in methamphetamine and resisting an officer.

Joshua David Grecian, 42, of Starke was arrested by Clay deputies on Aug. 19 for DUI.

Tracey Lynn McCourt, 33, of Keystone Heights was arrested by Clay deputies on Aug. 14 for possession of drug equipment.

Christie Nicole Romero, 32, of Keystone Heights was arrested by Clay deputies on Aug. 17 for driving with a suspended or revoked license.

Morgan Riley Tindall, 34, of Keystone Heights was arrested by Clay deputies on Aug. 15 for driving with a suspended or revoked license.

Man sentenced for producing child porn

BY DAN HILDEBRAN
Monitor Editor

STARKE— The U.S. Justice Department said District Judge Marcia Morales Howard sentenced Dawson Ladale Crews, 24, to 17 years and six months in federal prison for enticing a minor to engage in sexually explicit conduct to produce sexually explicit depictions.

According to court documents, in July 2020, the Clay County Sheriff's Office received information that a purported "16-year-old" male offered a 12-year-old minor victim money in exchange for naked pictures and sexual acts. Deputies interviewed the minor and the reporting party. The agency learned that the victim met the male on a social media application, who was later



Crews

determined to be Crews.

Deputies and Homeland Security Investigations agents searched Crews' phones, which revealed sexually explicit images of the victim along with sexually

explicit videos and pictures of a 16-year-old victim, whom Crews had solicited over the same social media app. The defendant used alias names to communicate with the 16-year-old and other underage girls to threaten them and coerce them to send him sexually explicit photos.

"With the popularity of today's social media applications, savvy and dangerous online predators are often able to entice impressionable children into a false sense of security," said Homeland Security Investigations Jacksonville Assistant Special Agent in Charge K. Jim Phillips. "This sentence is an unwavering example of how HSI and the Clay County Sheriff's Office are committed to stop these deviant child molesters and hold them accountable."

Hit-and-run with trooper lands man in jail

BY MARK J. CRAWFORD
Telegraph Editor

Jacksonville man Corbert Eldell Williams, 21, was captured after crashing into a Florida Highway Patrol vehicle and fleeing the scene.

FHP reported attempting to pull Williams over on State Road 100 near the bypass, but Williams refused to stop.

While fleeing, Williams hit the brakes, forcing the patrol vehicle pursuing him to swerve in order to avoid collision. Williams had other ideas, however, crashing into the trooper and driving



Williams

away.

The Bradford County Sheriff's Office and Starke Police Department worked together to track the hit-and-run suspect.

After he was spotted running in the woods behind Pine Forest Apartments, authorities used K-9 assistance to track Williams to his hiding spot within the thick brush.

Williams is facing two charges of aggravated assault on an officer and resisting an officer. He is booked in the Bradford County Jail with bond set at \$65,000.



Superintendent Will Hartley, Neisha Taylor, Velesa Thomas, Chief Ben Carter and Principal Cassie Melvin.

Chief, para thanked for life-saving actions

BY MARK J. CRAWFORD
Telegraph Editor

Velesa Thomas, a paraprofessional at Southside Elementary School, is breathing with even more gratitude these days.

Thomas was saved from choking thanks to the intervention of fellow paraprofessional Neisha Taylor and Ben Carter, chief of Bradford County Fire Rescue.

Thomas related the experience in a letter to Principal Cassie Melvin, which Melvin read to the school board Monday night.

Thomas and Taylor were seated in a restaurant with a third friend having lunch on Taylor's birthday. Suddenly Thomas was struggling to breathe with food lodged in her throat.

"I couldn't walk, cough or anything. Neisha looked at me and yelled, 'Can't breathe?' and I shook my head no, grabbing my throat."

Taylor stood Thomas up to try and open her airway and began performing the Heimlich maneuver.

"She was calm and talked to me the entire time. I was so scared and I definitely felt that I

was going to leave this world," Thomas said.

The steak was lodged in her throat and wouldn't budge.

Staff alerted Carter, who was also in the restaurant having lunch. Taylor didn't want to give up, but Carter convinced her to let him try. Within moments, Thomas could breathe again.

"I can't even explain to you how I felt. There are no words to explain it. I'm so very grateful to Neisha and Ben for saving my life. I will never be able to repay them for their act of heroism," she said, calling for them to be recognized in some way.

That recognition came before the school board Aug. 22. Both were thanked and given plaques.

GREEN

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job until I found another one," Green said about the most recent change.

Green started with Florida Crown last September, saying he was looking for something more mobile and with variety. His title is a Rapid Response Coordinator for this region — made up of Union, Columbia, Dixie and Gilchrist counties.

In his work Green speaks to businesses that are having issues and helps them with layoff aversion and getting laid off

employees returned quickly. He also assists employees who have been laid off from jobs with education or finding a new job.

Green said he loves his new job. He spoke to the Union County Board of County Commissioners and told them what services and assistance he was going to provide in the county and pledged to attend the board's monthly meetings so as to answer any questions they might have. He said that although, at this time, Florida Crown did not have an office in Union County, he was committed to offering public events in locations such as the Union County Public Library

to offer information and services.

Green plans to continue with Florida Crown in the future and said it satisfied his "people person" personality. When not helping the people in his region, Green said he enjoys spending time with his wife and their three grown kids — not to mention his granddaughter, who he is dedicated to spoiling. When not doing this he said he also enjoys fishing and golf and also being a deacon at the Victory Christian Center.

Anyone needing assistance in finding a job or pursuing their education can call him at his office at (386) 755-9026 or contact him by email at ggreen@careersourceflcrown.com.

"I plan to stay around and do all I can to help the residents of the county," Green said. "I have always loved Lake Butler and Union County because of the whole family atmosphere and I will always do my best to see them represented well."

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DEPUTY

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Washington told Desue that her 17-year-old, her 10-year-old and her 1-year-old were in the van.

Desue told Washington that if she had pulled over immediately, she would by now be back on the road.

"I could have given you a warning for speeding, and get you on your way," he said.

Col. Smith said that while Desue was in pursuit, his sergeant told him not to engage the driver until backup arrived, and Desue disregarded those instructions.

Smith added that after the traffic stop, the agency's Patrol Division Commander: Capt.

Kevin Mueller scheduled a meeting with Desue to discuss the incident, but before the meeting, the deputy resigned.

Past problems

Smith said Desue has undergone previous remedial training, once for turning in a dirty patrol car, once for "getting snippy" with a communications supervisor after he failed to sign off on paperwork and the supervisor complained to sheriff's office administration, and once for refusing to fill out required paperwork after he was injured on the job.

Smith said that up until the traffic stop, Desue's most serious policy infraction was using abusive language during a January incident involving

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Hoping to bridge the gap

A month after the sheriff hired him in 2020, Desue spoke to a Jacksonville television station about joining law enforcement after the death of George Floyd at the hands of Minneapolis police.

Desue said that as a biracial deputy, he understands discrimination.

"I'm black and I'm white," Desue told WJXT. "That's where my nationality comes from. I've always dealt with discrimination even at a younger age."

The new lawman added that he hoped to bridge the gap between law enforcement and the black community.

"If they know my story and they know where I come from coming in that would help them to understand the world around them," he said.



Bryan Griffis

Griffis resigns as coach of Bradford girls lifters

BY CLIFF SMELLEY
Telegraph Staff Writer

Bradford High School Girls Weightlifting Head Coach Bryan Griffis announced his resignation last week, citing the need to spend more time with his father.

Griffis, who was in his first year at BHS after coaching at Union County High School, led the program to its first-ever state championship last season. However, he said he needs to devote more of his time to his father, who suffered two strokes last year.

"I was hoping he'd get better so I could stick with coaching," Griffis said, adding, "I just decided it was best to step down."

Griffis said he told Superintendent of Schools Will Hartley that he'll assist the new coach in whatever way he can, whether it be helping to set up meets or serving as a platform judge.

Stepping down was a tough decision to make for someone who lives to coach young people.

"That's one of my passions in life," Griffis said.

Over the last seven years, Griffis coached two state-champion teams and 15 individual state champs at BHS and UCHS. He also coached three individual state champions

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Tornadoes post 2 shutout wins in preseason

BY CLIFF SMELLEY
Telegraph Staff Writer

Bradford High School's defense surrendered no points, while the offense was powered by the rushing of Manny Covey, Willie Pollard and Dae'Jon Shanks in wins over Impact Christian Academy and Providence School in a preseason kickoff classic on Aug. 19 at Providence.

The Tornadoes, utilizing a mix of junior varsity and varsity players, played each team for two quarters. Bradford defeated Impact 21-0 and Providence 8-0.

Bradford Head Coach Jamie Rodgers said it was a chance to "hit somebody else and get some film so we can evaluate some guys and get ready to play on Thursday and Friday next week."

The JV team hosts Baker County on Thursday, Aug. 25, at 6 p.m., while the varsity team travels to Macclenny to play Baker on Friday, Aug. 26, at 7 p.m.

Offensively, the Tornadoes rushed for more than 300 yards, with quarterback Shanks leading the way with 105 yards on 10 carries. Pollard and Covey, who each had seven carries, gained 91 and 79 yards, respectively. Each of the three players scored one touchdown.

"We were able to run the ball in the first half (against Impact) and kind of do what we wanted to," Rodgers said. "The second half (against Providence), we wanted to work on a few things. We just didn't hold up pass protection-wise. That's a concern. We're going to get in there and work on that."

The defense made 13 tackles behind the line of scrimmage and held each opponent to approximately 0 yards.

"They played hard, really hard," Rodgers said. "When you watch film, it's never as good or never as bad as you thought. We'll get back there and fix some stuff, but I thought we played with a lot of effort."

As strong as the defense was, it was that unit that committed

10 of Bradford's 12 penalties. Half of those were of the 15-yard variety as the Tornadoes racked up almost 130 yards in penalties.

"What I'll take from this (game) is way too many penalties," Rodgers said. "We're going to clean that up on Monday and get ready for our season opener. That's why you've got to play a classic, right?"

The classic consisted of each team's possession beginning at its own 40-yard line, regardless of what happened on the previous possession. The rules also varied from one opponent to the next. Extra-point kicks were allowed in Bradford's game against Impact, for example, which allowed Hayden Hughes to convert on all three of his PAT attempts, but against Providence, the kicks weren't allowed, forcing the Tornadoes to go for two after that game's only touchdown.

"It was supposed to be full special teams, full football the whole time, and it wasn't," Rodgers said, adding, "That's OK. It gave us a chance to work on some things."

In Bradford's first two quarters of play, Impact muffed the opening kickoff, with Jametrius "Jip" Pringle falling on the loose ball. Because of the rules, though, the Tornadoes' offense didn't get the ball deep in Impact territory, but instead began their drive at their own 40.

Shanks, who was a combined 2 of 4 for 22 yards against both teams, completed consecutive passes on what would be a five-play scoring drive. A 10-yard reception by Pollard set the Tornadoes up at the Impact 26, while Pringle caught a pass for a 12-yard gain to the 14. Covey scored on a run from there for a 7-0 lead after Hughes' PAT.

Impact benefitted from a personal-foul facemask penalty on its first series, but couldn't do anything against the Bradford defense. Bryson Bowen made two tackles for losses, while Dejon McBride had a 9-yard sack.

The Tornadoes' Gavin Cook

fielded the first punt of the game, taking it from his own 29-yard line and almost scoring before being brought down inside the Impact 5-yard line. Again, because of the game format, the Tornadoes didn't start their drive from there, with the ball being marched back to their 40-yard line.

It didn't matter, as Bradford needed only three plays to find the end zone. Shanks ripped off a 44-yard run on the first play. After a 9-yard run by Pollard, Shanks scored on a run from the 7. Hughes added the PAT for a 14-0 first-quarter lead.

Bradford's offense took to the field at its own 40 to start the second quarter. Five plays later, Bradford increased its lead to 21-0. A 29-yard run by Pollard resulted in first-and-goal at the 9, while quarterback Jeremiah McKenzie completed the drive with a 2-yard touchdown run.

Bradford rushed for 166 yards on 11 carries against Impact. Shanks gained 51 yards, while Covey and Pollard gained 46 and 45, respectively.

Bowen made three tackles for loss and would finish the night with six total.

Impact had only two run plays that gained positive yardage.

In the two quarters of play against the host Stallions, Bradford was on defense first. Bowen set the tone on the first play as he was the lead tackler on play that lost 5 yards.

After Providence went three-and-out, the Tornadoes put together a three-play scoring drive that consisted of a 39-yard run by Shanks to the 10-yard line. Pollard scored from there. Shanks carried the ball into the end zone on the two-point conversion for what would prove to be the final score of 8-0.

The Tornadoes threatened to score on their second possession, with a 17-yard run by Pollard helping the offense move to the Providence 20, but Bradford would turn the ball over on a fumble inside the 15-yard line.

Bradford's next two



Willie Pollard (left) carries the ball in Bradford's 21-0, two-quarter win over Impact Christian. Photo by Cliff Smelley.

possessions — including a three-and-out that consisted of three sacks — resulted in a total of 12 yards on 10 plays.

Providence, like Impact, simply had no answers for the Bradford defense, which got an 11-yard sack from McBride and an interception by Pringle.

The Tornadoes rushed for more than 130 yards against Providence, with Shanks and Pollard gaining 54 and 46 yards,

respectively. Covey had 33 yards.

For their season opener, the varsity Tornadoes take on a Baker County team that went 11-3 in reaching the Class 5A state semifinals last season. The Wildcats are coming off a kickoff classic in which they lost 17-7 to Union County in a varsity half of play. The final score, including a JV half, was in favor of Union, 34-20.



Quarterback A.J. Cortese scrambles away from pressure in the Tigers' 17-7 win over Baker County in a varsity half. Photo by Jadee O'Steen.

Varsity, JV Tigers team up for 34-20 win over Baker Co.

BY JADEE O'STEEN
Special to the Telegraph-Times-Monitor

After two and a half weeks of fall camp, the Union County Tigers suited up and traveled north 29 miles to Baker County High School to face the Class 2S Wildcats in their preseason classic, with the varsity team outscoring last season's Region 1-5A champions 17-7 before the junior varsity squad took the field to finish off the Wildcats by a final overall score of 34-20 on Aug. 19.

In just one half of varsity play, the Tigers' offense controlled the line of scrimmage throughout. The offensive line seemed to be in midseason form, opening holes for senior Rayvon Durant. Durant, who had 1,457 yards and 15 touchdowns in 2021, finished with 77 yards on 17 carries.

Quarterback A.J. Cortese was

10 of 14 for 140 yards and two touchdowns, with both of those scoring tosses going to senior Daylyn Diston, who finished with 98 receiving yards.

The senior quarterback was satisfied with his team's performance, especially offensively. Cortese claimed the Wildcats came out hot offensively, scoring within the first two minutes of play, but the Tigers responded well, going on to score twice before halftime.

Cortese showed excitement for the upcoming season and preached about the importance of unity within the team.

"If we just come together as a family — as one — and try to perfect the mental part of the game, I believe that we can go along way this season," Cortese said.

Cortese, who has 781 passing

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Town and Country Veterinary Clinic treats pets like members of the family

BY TRACY LEE TATE
Times Editor

For many people their pets are like children to them. Pets are valuable members of the family and most pet owners can tell you the same things about their pets as they can about their kids – food preferences, favorite activities, sleep habits and even what sort of music or TV they prefer. When a pet is considered a family member, choosing a veterinarian is as important as choosing a pediatrician and the “pet parent” will want to make sure that the doctor they choose will understand and respect their feelings for their pet.

One practice where the animal comes first is Town and County Veterinary Clinic in Starke. Dr. Alicia Price Keener (aka. Dr. Price) goes to great effort to make every visit to her office a positive one, for both the owner and the pet.

Price has been working in the office since 2014, first as a relief veterinarian, to allow former practice owner Dr. Joel Sailor to have a day off when he needed it. Sailor sold the practice in 2018 to Alliance Animal Health and Price was invited to come to work full-time as veterinarian and medical director in June 2022, replacing Dr. Erin Hughes. She said she jumped at the chance, having come to enjoy the area and the practices clients.

“Not only did I come into a practice I knew and enjoyed, but

I was given the opportunity to continue the legacy of caring and quality of service left here by Dr. Sailor,” Price said.

Price is originally from Clarksburg, WV. She graduated as a Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (DVM) from Tuskegee University in 1999. In her 23 years as a veterinarian, Price has worked as a relief veterinarian in several practices, as well as working with the Clay County Humane Society and the Jacksonville Humane Society for 18 years where she developed her passion

for reducing the pet population through spaying/neutering. Price and her staff do their best to let both their clients and their “fur babies” know how welcome they are. When first walking into the office, clients see a brightly lettered chalk board with their pet’s name listed on it. When their turn comes to see the doctor, dogs are treated to special “Pup Cups” filled with whipped cream and also receive other treats while cats enjoy catnip and Temptations treats.

Price’s practice is limited to the treatment of dogs and cats, although she admits she likes to treat “the occasional chicken” as time allows. She drives in from St. Augustine every day, one hour each way, to care for her patients.

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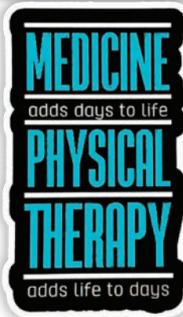
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Cheryl Joiner

Cheryl Ann "Sherry" Joiner, of Starke, passed away on Monday, Aug. 22, 2022 at her residence. She was born on Saturday, Dec. 20, 1958 in Gainesville to the late Billy Randall Joiner and Ann (Nobles) Joiner. She was a Christian and a member of Bayless Highway Baptist Church. She was an avid fisher and enjoyed watching movies. Prior to retirement she worked as a CNA in nursing homes helping others. Preceding her in death were her sisters, Pam Roberts and Nancy Reynolds.

She is survived by her spouse, Raymond Masey of Starke; daughters, Trista (Joe) Holder of Starke, Tiffany (Randy) Brooks of Starke; sons, Josh (Traci) Lee of Lake Butler, and Robbie Masey of Starke; stepmother, Janice Joiner; and sisters, Dawn Harper, and Joy Joiner all of Starke. She was lovingly called "Cee Cee" by her grandchildren, Jaret Lee, Shaynee Brooks, Landon Boyd, Jessie Lee, Aiden Masey and Alyssa Lee. Also left are numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Memorial services will be held at Bayless Highway Baptist Church on Saturday, Aug. 27, at 11 a.m. with Pastor Michael Conner officiating.

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



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Charles Jones

Charles Edwin Jones, 73, of Starke passed away Wednesday, Aug. 17, 2022 at Haven Hospice E.T. York Care Center in Gainesville. He was born on Dec. 10, 1948 to the late Elmer Minton and Stella Clarice (Strickland) Jones and was a longtime area resident. Prior to retirement he worked as a manager for Shoney's restaurants. He was Christian and a family man, teaching each one of his children to cook. He enjoyed spending time with his grandchildren, and loved animals and music, with a special passion for Elvis.

Survivors are his wife of 48 years, Sandra (Alvarez) Jones of Starke; and children, Lorie (Nakia) Riley, Charles "Bubba" (Lisa) Jones, Deana (Adrienne) Jones, Ashley Jones, and Cody Jones, all of Starke. He was lovingly called "Pop-Pop" and "Pa-Pa" by grandchildren, Michael, Dillan, Katlyn, Nautia, Kelsie, Ava, Brayden, Halie, Alyssa, Jada, Maykila, and Elaiana; along with his great-granddaughter, Emersyn.

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

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



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Natalie Kulbacki

Natalie Renee Kulbacki, 33, passed away unexpectedly on Monday, Aug. 15, 2022. She was born on Dec. 2, 1988 in Miami to Rosemina B. Kulbacki and Edward J. Kulbacki. She was preceded in death by her father, Edward John Kulbacki; her son, Aaron K. Taylor; and her maternal and paternal grandparents, Geraldine and Jose Rondez, and Edna and Stephen Kulbacki Sr.

She is survived by her daughter, Raigan Kulbacki; six siblings, Stephanie Kulbacki, Christie Marrero, Karrie Kulbacki, Charles Kulbacki, Anthony Kulbacki, and James Kulbacki; as well as seven nieces and FICE nephews.

Her Celebration of Life will be held at the Lawtey Community Center in Lawtey on Friday, Aug. 26, from 4 p.m. until 6 p.m.



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Teresa Laney

Teresa Ann Laney, 63, of Lawtey passed away on Saturday, Aug. 6, 2022 in Gainesville. She was born in Leeds, Alabama to Rev. William T. Laney and Martha Genette Laney on Oct. 14, 1958. She was preceded in death by her father, Rev. William T. Laney; her mother, Martha Genette Laney; sisters, Cathy Lynn Laney and Sheila Diane Miller; and brothers, James Gregory Laney and Rev. William Edward Laney.

She is survived by her daughter, Chasity (Ronald) Nolan; son Donald Ray (Cindy) Evans Jr.; grandson, R. J. Nolan; granddaughters, Phoenix and Crystal Evans; brother, Anthony (Jean) Laney; sisters, Linda Jacobs and Sharon Bryan; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Family and friends are invited to attend memorial services at 12 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 27, at Lawtey Church of God on Hwy 301 in Lawtey.

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Clyde Kelley

Clyde Roswell Kelley, 91, of Brooker passed away peacefully on Friday, Aug. 19, 2022, at E.T. York Care Center in Gainesville. He was born on Feb. 18, 1931 in Brooker to the late Clyde Otis Kelley and Doris Sowell Kelley. A graduate of Bradford County High School, he enlisted in the Air Force and honorably served on active duty from 1951 to 1955. He separated from service as a staff sergeant and began a career with General Electric in Evendale, Ohio. While living in Cincinnati, he met the love of his life, Alma Smith. Both having relocated to the area, they met and bonded at a neighborhood restaurant and married on April 27, 1957. She preceded him in death earlier this year, mere days before celebrating what would have been their 65th wedding anniversary. He enjoyed sports, particularly football, baseball, and basketball, and family fishing outings. He enjoyed being with his family and siblings out on the water and across the table at a fish fry. He was preceded in death by his siblings: Carolyn (Bobby) Dyal and Winston (Edwina) Kelley.

He is survived by his siblings: Charles Kelley, Lennox Kelley, Jerome Kelley, and Dottie Sue (Terry) Cranford; children, Linda (Robert) Phillips, Lisa (Stephen) Peek, Nancy (Garry) Hundley; grandchildren: Kara Eickelman, Derrick Hundley, Kelley Eickelman, Sarah (Paul) Rindfleisch, Kristen Eickelman, Heather Brown, Jared Eickelman, Katie Pagliaro, and Rachel Pagliaro; and five great-grandchildren: Aurora, Jayden, Luna, Aubrie, and Kinsley.

A viewing will be held on Saturday, Aug. 27 at 10 a.m. followed by a Celebration of Life at 11 a.m. at the Brooker Baptist Church, 17197 Bradford Ave., Brooker. Interment will follow at Dedan Cemetery in Brooker. In addition to flowers, donations can be made in his honor to Haven Hospice, 4200 NW 90th Blvd., Gainesville.

Arrangements are under the care and direction of Archer-Milton Funeral Home, Lake Butler, Florida.

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Larry McCandless Sr.

Larry Brooke McCandless Sr., 68, passed away peacefully at his home in Lake Butler surrounded by his wife and children on Friday, July 22, 2022. He was born in Burnsville, North Carolina, the youngest of six children, to Carl A. and Louise (McCallister) McCandless. He spent his youth growing up in Naples, La Belle, and then Jacksonville. By then he was a teenager. He dropped out of school in the eighth grade when he was 16. He then met and married 14-year-old, Sandy Moon. Both of their mothers agreed and signed for them to get married. He ended up working in construction, and he was good at it. Years later he moved his young family back to Burnsville, North Carolina. He had family there, and he had property given to him by his father. He ended up getting his contractor's license and starting his own company. By then he had four children and life was good for a while but, as life happens, things sometimes change. After 16 years of marriage, theirs ended. And somehow, when it did, he found himself back in Jacksonville. It ended where it had started. Life part two. A year or so later he met Denise Douglas Harlow. She was divorced with two boys ages 2 and 4. After five years, they married. He raised those boys as if they were his, too. He loved them, and they loved him. They lived in Jacksonville for a while, but in 1998 they moved to Lake Butler, Denise's hometown. He continued to work in construction until he was badly hurt from a three-story fall. He was on a jobsite on the beach in St. Augustine, repairing damages done to a beach house after Hurricane Frances in September 2004 and just before the next one, Jeanne, was due to hit the next day. He spent the next several years in and out of hospitals, having a total of seven surgeries. Some placing rods or adding nuts and bolts in his leg, and having his ankle fused. He also had fractures to his ribs and back. It took months before he was able to start the process of becoming mobile and then to a wheelchair, a walker, and finally to walk with a cane. But he was never able to work again like he had before. He had always enjoyed life, loved his wife, his children, and his home. He liked to camp, to boat and be on the water, and to go to the springs and to fish salt water, fresh water or in between-he loved it all. He looked forward to trips that he and his brother-in-law, Jerry, would take every year to the Everglades. His brother Roger has a cabin deep in the Everglades. They would take a swamp buggy out to the cabin and stay a week and they had so much fun every time. They would time their trip with the Swamp Buggy races in Naples. His brother and nephew often raced in buggies they built and most of the time they won, too! They made these trips every year until their health began to decline. The last 10 years had been especially hard on his health. He had numerous health issues, problems with his liver, kidneys, and heart. He was also a diabetic and he ended up losing that leg a few years ago to an amputation, the same leg that he had tried so desperately to save back in 2004. He was always so strong, and he amazed the doctors repeatedly with his ability to overcome what, at times, seemed like impossible odds. But this last time was different. He was tired and he had fought the last fight. This time he decided it was time to go home. We brought him home from the hospital under hospice. He made it through the night and then later that day he did go home to his heavenly Father, who he loved with all his heart. He wished to be cremated and to have his ashes spread at special places he had chosen in North Carolina and Florida. Abiding with his wishes, there are no plans for a public service. However, his immediate family will have a private celebration of his life at a time yet to be decided. "Larry, may you finally rest in peace, and we will be together again someday soon." He was preceded in death by his father, Carl A. McCandless; mother, Louise Wallace; brothers, James McCandless and Burke McCandless; and brother-in-law, Jerry Jerome.

He is survived by his wife of 34 years, Denise Douglas McCandless: his children, Toni (Nick) Cullaro of Lutz, Lauri (Eric) Hickman of Tahlequah, Oklahoma, Teri (Scott) Williams of Seneca, Missouri, Larry (Julie) McCandless Jr. of Park Hill, Oklahoma, Jason Harlow of Jacksonville, Kevin (Megan) Harlow of Lake Butler; a sister June Jerome of Burnsville, North Carolina; brothers, Lyle McCandless of Fort Myers and Roger (Judie) McCandless of Naples; a sister-in-law, Nellie McCandless of Naples; and the mother of his four children, Sandy Moon Johnson, of Tahlequah, Oklahoma. He also leaves behind eight granddaughters; six grandsons; and five great-grandsons; and numerous nieces and nephews.

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Myrtle Padgett

Myrtle Alma Padgett, 92, of Melrose passed away at her home on Thursday, Aug. 18, 2022, with her family at her side. She was born Aug. 11, 1930, in Verdier to William and Eleanor (Rowell) Pringle. Prior to retiring, she was a self-employed hairdresser for over 14 years in Jacksonville. She was a member of Woodstock Baptist Church in Jacksonville for 25 years, and the former W.M.U. director with the New River Baptist Association. In 1986 she moved to Keystone Heights, where she became an active member of the First Baptist Church. She was a choir member, a daycare director from 1987 to 1995 and, for the past 10 years, she served as the clothes closet director. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Leon J. Padgett; and their son, Christopher L. Padgett.

She is survived by two children, Janet Padgett of Melrose, and Curtis Padgett of Tallahassee. She was lovingly called "Mamaw" by six grandchildren and five great grandchildren.

Her viewing was held on Monday, Aug. 22 at the First Baptist Church. Funeral services followed with Pastor Daniel Findley officiating. She was laid to rest at Riverside Memorial Park. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made to Haven Hospice, 6400 St. Johns Ave., Palatka.

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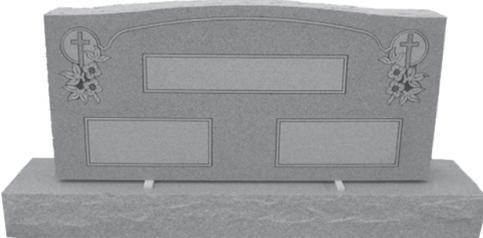


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Clara Patterson



Clara M. Patterson, 97, passed away peacefully on Saturday, Aug. 20, 2022. She was a retired postmaster from Portage, Indiana and moved to Florida with her husband in 1980. She resided in the Postmaster's Retirement Village in Keystone Heights. She was a former member of St. Peter's Lutheran Church in Portage, Indiana; a longtime member of the League of Postmasters; past president and lifetime member of the American Legion Auxiliary #100, Lake Station, Indiana; a lifetime member of the VFW Post #1760, Portage, Indiana, president of the Portage Professional Women's League; past president of the Lake Butler and Keystone Heights Singles Club, and an active member of the Melrose and Keystone Heights Woman's Club. She was an accomplished pianist and played in a band at the Community Church and the Keystone Senior Center. She was requested to play at many events—she played a great honky-tonk. She also taught line dancing at the Shriner's Club for many years. Most notable to all that knew her, she was a dedicated bridge player and lover of books. She loved travel and was a coordinator for a travel agency. Her ports of call and destinations included Canada, Spain and other European countries, Africa, the Caribbean Islands, Hawaii, Alaska, and many other destinations throughout the USA. She was preceded in death by her husband, Marlin Patterson; her parents, Manley and Margarette Smith; a brother, James R Smith; and sister, Phyllis Gee.

She is survived by her son, James M. (Sandy) Patterson of Portage, Indiana; her sister, Charlyne Price of Merrillville, Indiana; grandchildren, Laurie Kircher, Lisa Spencer, Jami (Pete) Lange; great-grandchildren, Shelly Kircher, Mark Patterson, Christopher Spencer, Heida and Haley Houseman; and great-great-grandchildren, Shyla and Kyla Patterson. Numerous nieces and nephews also survive.

A private viewing will be held at Phillip & Sons Mortuary in Melrose on Friday, Aug. 26, at 9 a.m. followed by a graveside service at 10:30 a.m. at Keystone Cemetery, Keystone Heights. A reception will immediately follow at the Melrose Woman's Club, 303 Pine St., Melrose. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Melrose Woman's Club.

PAID OBITUARY



Cartez Daniels shakes one Ridgeview defender in the backfield, then runs over a second Panther while scoring a Keystone touchdown. Photo by Sally Jackson.

ORANGE PARK—Ridgeview jumped out to a 13-0 lead before running an offensive play and extended its lead to 20-0 before Keystone fought back to a 20-16 loss in the varsity half of the two schools' preseason game.

School officials evacuated the stadium before the matchup because of lightning and waited 30 minutes before allowing fans back into the venue.

Poor ball handling haunted the Indians throughout the first quarter as the home-standing Panthers scored twice off Indian miscues.

On Keystone's first possession, Ridgeview's Chris Baptiste scooped up a fumble on the Keystone 46 and ran it in for a score, giving the Panthers a 7-0 lead after the extra point.

Baptiste struck again on the Indians' next possession, intercepting a pass and galloping 57 yards for his second score. The visitors, however, blocked the extra point, leaving Ridgeview with a 13-0 lead with 5:49 remaining in the first quarter.

The Indians' ball-handling problems continued on their next possession as a dropped pitch and a dropped snap to the punter gave Ridgeview the ball on the Keystone 13.

Five plays later, the Panthers scored again when Sheppard Bridges took a handoff 9 yards into the end zone, giving Ridgeview a 20-0 lead.

On Keystone's next possession, the Indians overcame two fumbled snaps during a 10-play, 65-yard drive, which ended with a touchdown. Cartez Daniels put the exclamation point on the

drive. On first-and-10 from the 14, he shook a defender in the backfield, then ran over a second Panther en route to the goal line.

Keystone's two-point conversion cut Ridgeview's lead to 20-8 with 6:10 remaining in the half.

Ridgeview experienced its own ball-security hiccups on its next possession. An errant snap on first-and-10 from the 19 put the ball on the Panthers 2-yard line. Three plays later, Keystone's Daniels blocked the Panthers punt, and Vernell Jackson recovered the ball in the end zone, bringing the Indians to within four after another successful two-point conversion.

Ridgeview led 20-16 with a few minutes left in the half.

The Panthers advanced from

their own 25 to their 47 on the half's final drive as time ran out.

The junior varsity teams took over for the second half, with Keystone outscoring Ridgeview 6-0.

Keystone Head Coach Chuck Dickinson said that despite the team's mistakes, he saw positive trends in the matchup.

"I told the kids, we take away those negative things, and we're moving the football, and we're doing what we want to do," he said.

The coach characterized his team's first drive before the fumble as picture-perfect.

Dickinson added that he told ninth-grade starting quarterback Baylor Ford, who threw the interception, to forget about the errant throw.

"Yeah, I told him to forget about it," Dickinson said. "I'm not worried about it. This is what these games are for: to learn from. And like I told him, the difference was you waited for two more steps when you threw. If you were to throw it when you should have, it probably would be a completion, but the speed of a game is so much faster than what he's used to (in practice)."

The varsity team doesn't open the regular season until Thursday, Sept. 1, when the Indians travel to Gainesville to play Eastside at 7:30 p.m. at Citizens Field. The JV team's first game will take place the night before with a 6 p.m. road game against Toccoa Creek on Wednesday, Aug. 31.

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yards and 18 touchdowns for his career, has been the star quarterback for the past two seasons and helped lead the team to the third round of the playoffs in 2021.

Andrew Thomas, who has been the head coach the past two seasons, stated, "All in all, I think we played well." He claimed there were a few things

that needed "cleaning up," but that it was a good test for the Tigers to play a team as good as the Wildcats.

Overall, Thomas was especially thrilled with the performance of his team in this preseason setting on the road.

The varsity Tigers get the real season started on Friday, Aug. 26, opening on the road in Jacksonville against another quality opponent in University Christian. University Christian, which is in the newly created Class 1M (Metro) after playing

in Class 2A, went 7-5 last season, going 1-1 in the playoffs.

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The JV Tigers, who outscored Baker County 17-13, played Buchholz this past Tuesday and will host Newberry on Thursday, Sept. 8, at 6 p.m.

GRIFFIS

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at UCHS in boys weightlifting. Griffis expects a lot out of this year's BHS team.

"I told (Hartley) they've got a chance to repeat," he said. "Whoever takes over is going to be stepping into a loaded program."

Griffis will continue to train people at his home gym (Raiford Wreckshop) and continue coaching athletes in U.S. Powerlifting events.

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Legal Notices

Legals for the week of Aug. 25, 2022

BRADFORD

IN THE COURT OF THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR BRADFORD COUNTY, FLORIDA JUVENILE DIVISION CASE NO. 04-2021-DP-112 IN THE INTEREST OF: M., D. (M) DOB: 1/9/2018 Minor child

NOTICE OF ACTION TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS

STATE OF FLORIDA TO: David Matthews ADDRESS UNKNOWN

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the State of Florida, Department of Children and Families, has filed a Petition to terminate your parental rights and permanently commit the following child(ren) for adoption: D.M., born on 1/9/2018. A copy of the Petition is on file with the Clerk of the Court. You are hereby commanded to appear on Wednesday, September 14, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. before the Honorable Jodi Cason, at the Bradford County Courthouse, 945 N Temple Ave, Starke, FL 32091, for a continued ADVISORY HEARING.

*****FAILURE TO PERSONALLY APPEAR AT THIS ADVISORY HEARING CONSTITUTES CONSENT TO THE TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS TO THIS CHILD IF YOU FAIL TO APPEAR ON THE DATE AND TIME SPECIFIED YOU MAY LOSE ALL LEGAL RIGHTS TO THE CHILD NAMED IN THE PETITION ATTACHED HERETO.*****

WITNESS my hand and seal of this Court at Starke, Bradford County, Florida, on this 28 day of July, 2022. Denny Thompson Clerk of Circuit Court

By:Romana Jefferson Deputy Clerk Special Accommodations. Under the American with Disabilities Act, if you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator at (352) 337-6237, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance. If you are hearing or voice impaired, please call 711. If you are deaf or hard of hearing and require an ASL interpreter or an assisted listening device to participate in a proceeding, please contact Court Interpreting at interpreter@circuitt8.org.

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Notice is hereby given that CITRUS CAPITAL HOLDINGS LLC FBO SEC PTY the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and names in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate Number: 923 Year of Issuance: 2020 Parcel Number: 04410-A-00100 Case Number: 04-2022-TD-0002 Description of Property: Lot 1 & Lot 2, Block 1, in EASTWOOD, according to plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 16, of the public records of Bradford County, Florida. Name in Which Assessed: DAWN CREWS Name on last tax roll, if different: All of said property being in the County of Bradford, State of Florida. Unless such certificate or certificates shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate or certificates will be sold to the highest bidder at the BRADFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, STARKE, FL on 11/2/2022, at 11:00 AM, or any subsequently scheduled sale date. Denny Thompson, Clerk Of The Circuit Court Bradford County, Florida BY: LISA BRANNON, Deputy Clerk DATED: July 28, 2022

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Notice is hereby given that CITRUS CAPITAL HOLDINGS LLC FBO SEC PTY the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and names in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate Number: 1166 Year of Issuance: 2020 Parcel Number: 05714-0-00000 Case Number: 04-2022-TD-0003 Description of Property: The East half (E1/2) of the Northeast Quarter (NE1/4) of the Southwest Quarter (SW1/4) of Section Twenty-Three (23), Township Eight (8) South, Range Twenty-Two (22), East, containing twenty acres of land more or less. Name in Which Assessed: POLLY LEWIS Name on last tax roll, if different: POLLY LEWIS EST All of said property being in the County of Bradford, State of Florida. Unless such certificate or certificates shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate or certificates will be sold to the highest bidder at the BRADFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, STARKE, FL on 11/2/2022, at 11:00 AM, or any subsequently scheduled sale date. Denny Thompson,

Clerk Of The Circuit Court Bradford County, Florida BY: LISA BRANNON, Deputy Clerk DATED: July 28, 2022

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Notice is hereby given that CITRUS CAPITAL HOLDINGS LLC the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and names in which it was assessed are as follows: Certificate Number: 1238 Year of Issuance: 2020 Parcel Number: 06060-A-04100 Case Number: 04-2022-TD-0011 Description of Property: Lot 41, Block A of Cypress Beach according to plat recorded in Plat Book 2, Page 79 of the public records of Bradford County, Florida. TOGETHER WITH A parcel of land lying between County Road S-21B (formerly State Road S-21B) and Lot 41 of Block A of Cypress Beach, as per plat recorded in Plat Book 2, Page 79 of the public records of Bradford County, Florida; said parcel being more particularly described as follows: Commence at the Southeasterly corner of said Lot 41 for the Point of Beginning and run Southeasterly along a Southeasterly prolongation of the Southerly boundary of said Lot 41, to the Westerly boundary of the right of way of said County Road S-21B; thence Northerly along said Westerly boundary to an intersection with a Southeasterly prolongation of the Northerly boundary of said Lot 41; thence Northwesterly along last aforesaid prolongation to the Northeasterly corner of said Lot 41; thence Southerly along the Easterly boundary of Lot 41 to the Point of Beginning. Subject to the right of way of a platted 66 foot street lying Easterly of, parallel with, and contiguous to the aforesaid Easterly Boundary of Lot 41. Name in Which Assessed: JOHN C ODOM JR; ROBERT SHUMER; MEGHAN ODOM; SHIRLEY MARTIN ET AL

Name on last tax roll, if different: All of said property being in the County of Bradford, State of Florida. Unless such certificate or certificates shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate or certificates will be sold to the highest bidder at the BRADFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, STARKE, FL on 11/2/2022, at 11:00 AM, or any subsequently scheduled sale date. Denny Thompson, Clerk Of The Circuit Court Bradford County, Florida BY: KANETRA JENKINS, Deputy Clerk DATED: August 1, 2022

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Notice is hereby given that SHIRLEY R PICKFORD REVOCABLE TRUST the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and names in which it was assessed are as follows: Certificate Number: 271 Year of Issuance: 2015 Parcel Number: 02562-0-00000 Case Number: 04-2022-TD-0004 Description of Property: The North Half of Lot Twenty (20) and all of Lot Twenty-one (21) in Block One (1) in Gagahan Subdivision in the Northeast Quarter (NE1/4) of the Southeast Quarter (SE1/4) of the South-east Quarter (SE1/4) of Section Twenty-one (21) Township Six (6) South, Range Twenty-two (22) East. As same appears on Record in Plat Book Two(2) Page Forty-one (41) of Public Records of Bradford County Florida, in the office of the Clerk of Court. Name in Which Assessed: HELEN PARKER; HELEN SMITH Name on last tax roll, if different: All of said property being in the County of Bradford, State of Florida. Unless such certificate or certificates shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate or certificates will be sold to the highest bidder at the BRADFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, STARKE, FL on 11/2/2022, at 11:00 AM, or any subsequently scheduled sale date. Denny Thompson, Clerk Of The Circuit Court Bradford County, Florida BY: LISA BRANNON, Deputy Clerk DATED: August 2, 2022

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

Case No.: 042022DR137 Division: FAMILY

TRACI M. WICKS Petitioner and LARRY B. WICKS Respondent

NOTICE OF ACTION FOR DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE (NO CHILD OR FINANCIAL SUPPORT)

TO: LARRY B. WICKS 1533 S. Lake Rochelle Drive Winter Haven, FL YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for Dissolution of Marriage with Minor

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Child has been filed against you and that you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on TRACI WICKS, 20154 NW 71st Ave., Starke, FL 32091 on or before September 15, 2022, and file the original with the clerk of this Court at Clerk of the Circuit Court, Eighth Judicial Circuit, 945 North Temple Street, P O Drawer B, Starke, Florida 32091, before service on the Petitioner or immediately thereafter. If you fail to do so, a default may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the petition. Copies of all court documents in this case, including orders, are available at the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office. You may review these documents upon request. You must keep the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office notified of your current address. (You may file Designation of Current Mailing and E-Mail Address, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.915.) Future papers in this lawsuit will be mailed or e-mailed to the addresses on record at the clerk's office.

WARNING: Rule 12.285, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure, requires certain automatic disclosure of documents and information. Failure to comply can result in sanctions, including dismissal or striking of pleadings. Dated: July 28, 2022 DENNY THOMPSON CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT By: Lisa Brannon Deputy Clerk

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PUBLIC NOTICE

THE PUBLIC IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that the Board of County Commissioners of Bradford County, Florida has adjusted its schedule of meetings to the first Tuesday of the month at 9:30 AM and the third Tuesday of the month at 6:30 PM; effective Tuesday, September 6, 2022. If you have any questions, please call the Office of the County Manager at (904) 966-6327.

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Notice is hereby given that DAVID J COGNATA the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and names in which it was assessed are as follows: Certificate Number: 368 Year of Issuance: 2015 Parcel Number: 01295-0-00900 Case Number: 04-2022-TD-0008 Description of Property: A parcel of land lying in the South 1/2 of Lot 38 of Woodlawn in Section 20, Township 5 South, Range 22 East, as per plat recorded in Plat Book 1, Page 17 of the public records of Bradford County, Florida; said parcel being more particularly described as follows: Commence at a concrete monument found at the intersection of the Easterly boundary of said Lot 38 with the Northerly boundary of the right of way of County Road 225 and run South 79 degrees 28 minutes 08 seconds West, along said Northerly boundary, 350.45 feet to a found concrete monument for the Point of Beginning. From the Point of Beginning thus described, continue South 79 degrees 28 minutes 08 seconds West, along said Northerly boundary, 152.72 feet to a set concrete monument; thence North 00 degrees 17 minutes 56 seconds East, 315.40 feet to an iron rod set on the Northerly boundary of the South 1/2 of said Lot 38; thence South 89 degrees 34 minutes 49 seconds East, along last said Northerly boundary, 150.00 feet to a found concrete monument; thence South 00 degrees 17 minutes 15 seconds West, 286.39 feet to the Point of Beginning. Containing 1.04 acres. Together with a 1997 CHAD Doublewide Mobile Home with the ID#s GAFLV05A26416CW21 and GAFLV05B26416CW21 which is located thereon. Name in Which Assessed: WESLEY N WHITE

Name on last tax roll, if different: All of said property being in the County of Bradford, State of Florida. Unless such certificate or certificates shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate or certificates will be sold to the highest bidder at the BRADFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, STARKE, FL on 11/2/2022, at 11:00 AM, or any subsequently scheduled sale date. Denny Thompson, Clerk Of The Circuit Court Bradford County, Florida BY: LISA BRANNON, Deputy Clerk DATED: August 3, 2022

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Notice is hereby given that ATCF II FLORIDA-A LLC the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and names in which it was assessed are as follows: Certificate Number: 809 Year of Issuance: 2020 Parcel Number: 03339-0-00400 Case Number: 04-2022-TD-0001 Description of Property: The North 68.70 feet of Lot 4, Block 22 of Livingston Truby & Company's Subdivision in the City of Starke, as per plat recorded in Plat Book 1, Page 41 of the public records of Bradford County, Florida

Name in Which Assessed: HARVEY ANDERSON Name on last tax roll, if different: All of said property being in the County of Bradford, State of Florida. Unless such certificate or certificates shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate or certificates will be sold to the highest bidder at the BRADFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, STARKE, FL on 11/16/2022, at 11:00 AM, or any subsequently scheduled sale date. Denny Thompson, Clerk Of The Circuit Court Bradford County, Florida BY: LISA BRANNON, Deputy Clerk DATED: August 3, 2022

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Notice is hereby given that DAVID J COGNATA the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and names in which it was assessed are as follows: Certificate Number: 22 Year of Issuance: 2015 Parcel Number: 00188-0-00600 Case Number: 04-2022-TD-0007 Description of Property: A parcel of land lying in the S1/2 of SE1/4 of SE1/4 of Section 28, Township 6 South, Range 20 East, Bradford

County, Florida; said parcel being more particularly described as follows: Commence at an iron pipe found at the NW corner of said S1/2 of SE1/4 of SE1/4 and run North 86 degrees 45 minutes 29 seconds East, 166.75 feet to a found iron rod for the Point of Beginning. From Point of Beginning thus described, continue North 86 degrees 45 minutes 29 seconds East, along said Northerly boundary, 111.41 feet to a found concrete monument; thence South 03 degrees 33 minutes 38 seconds East, 423.61 feet to a concrete monument found on the Northerly boundary of the right of way of County Road 235, said Northerly boundary being on a curve, concave to the Southeast and having a radius of 2914.79 feet; thence Southwesterly, along said Northerly boundary and along the arc of said curve, 319.47 feet as measured along a chord having a bearing of South 57 degrees 42 minutes 28 seconds West, to a set iron rod; thence North 03 degrees 21 minutes 49 seconds West, along the Westerly boundary of said S1/2, a distance of 287.75 feet to a found iron rod; thence North 87 degrees 45 minutes 28 seconds East, 166.78 feet to a found iron rod; thence North 03 degrees 21 minutes 49 seconds West 293.90 feet to the Point of Beginning. Containing 2.18 acres, more or less. Name in Which Assessed: GREGORY E MAYBEN; HAROLD F MAYBEN

Name on last tax roll, if different: All of said property being in the County of Bradford, State of Florida. Unless such certificate or certificates shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate or certificates will be sold to the highest bidder at the BRADFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, STARKE, FL on 11/16/2022, at 11:00 AM, or any subsequently scheduled sale date. Denny Thompson, Clerk Of The Circuit Court Bradford County, Florida BY: LISA BRANNON, Deputy Clerk DATED: August 3, 2022

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Notice is hereby given that SHIRLEY R PICKFORD REVOCABLE TRUST the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and names in which it was assessed are as follows: Certificate Number: 939 Year of Issuance: 2015 Parcel Number: 03808-0-00200 Case Number: 04-2022-TD-0006 Description of Property: Com at SE Corner of E1/2 of N1/2 of SE1/4 of NE1/4 Section 29 Township 6 South, Range 22 East and run North 268 feet for a Point of beginning; Thence run West 100 feet, Thence run North 50 feet, Thence run East 100 feet, thence run South 50 feet to the Point of Beginning

Note: Less and except that parcel conveyed by General Warranty Deed recorded 10/06/2006 in Official Records Book 1178 Page 429 and re-recorded 10/16/2006 in Official Records Book 1179 Page 541. Name in Which Assessed: DEWEY D WILLIAMS AND GLADYS G WILLIAMS Name on last tax roll, if different: DEWEY D WILLIAMS (DEC) All of said property being in the County of Bradford, State of Florida. Unless such certificate or certificates shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate or certificates will be sold to the highest bidder at the BRADFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, STARKE, FL on 11/16/2022, at 11:00 AM, or any subsequently scheduled sale date. Denny Thompson, Clerk Of The Circuit Court Bradford County, Florida BY: LISA BRANNON, Deputy Clerk DATED: August 3, 2022

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Note: Less and except that parcel conveyed by General Warranty Deed recorded 10/06/2006 in Official Records Book 1178 Page 429 and re-recorded 10/16/2006 in Official Records Book 1179 Page 541. Name in Which Assessed: DEWEY D WILLIAMS AND GLADYS G WILLIAMS Name on last tax roll, if different: DEWEY D WILLIAMS (DEC) All of said property being in the County of Bradford, State of Florida. Unless such certificate or certificates shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate or certificates will be sold to the highest bidder at the BRADFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, STARKE, FL on 11/16/2022, at 11:00 AM, or any subsequently scheduled sale date. Denny Thompson, Clerk Of The Circuit Court Bradford County, Florida BY: LISA BRANNON, Deputy Clerk DATED: August 3, 2022

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Notice is hereby given that ATCF II FLORIDA-A LLC the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and names in which it was assessed are as follows: Certificate Number: 809 Year of Issuance: 2020 Parcel Number: 03339-0-00400 Case Number: 04-2022-TD-0001 Description of Property: The North 68.70 feet of Lot 4, Block 22 of Livingston Truby & Company's Subdivision in the City of Starke, as per plat recorded in Plat Book 1, Page 41 of the public records of Bradford County, Florida

Name in Which Assessed: HARVEY ANDERSON Name on last tax roll, if different: All of said property being in the County of Bradford, State of Florida. Unless such certificate or certificates shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate or certificates will be sold to the highest bidder at the BRADFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, STARKE, FL on 11/16/2022, at 11:00 AM, or any subsequently scheduled sale date. Denny Thompson, Clerk Of The Circuit Court Bradford County, Florida BY: LISA BRANNON, Deputy Clerk DATED: August 3, 2022

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Name in Which Assessed: HARVEY ANDERSON Name on last tax roll, if different: All of said property being in the County of Bradford, State of Florida. Unless such certificate or certificates shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate or certificates will be sold to the highest bidder at the BRADFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, STARKE, FL on 11/16/2022, at 11:00 AM, or any subsequently scheduled sale date. Denny Thompson, Clerk Of The Circuit Court Bradford County, Florida BY: LISA BRANNON, Deputy Clerk DATED: August 3, 2022

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Deputy Clerk DATED: August 3, 2022

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR BRADFORD COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NUMBER: 04-2022-CA-0302 GREGORY B. JACKSON, CLARENCE WILLIAMS, and MONISHA PERKINS Plaintiff,

vs. THE ESTATE OF GLORIA MACK, deceased, and ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES, AND ANY OTHER PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER, OR AGAINST GLORIA MACK, deceased, Defendants

NOTICE OF ACTION TO ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANTS YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED OF THE FILING OF A COMPLAINT AGAINST YOU TO QUIET TITLE TO THE FOLLOWING PROPERTY IN BRADFORD COUNTY, FLORIDA:

That certain piece, parcel, or tract of land, situate, lying and being in the County of Bradford, State of Florida, being known as part of Southeast Quarter (SE 1/4) of Southeast Quarter (SE ¼) of Section 18, Township 6 South, Range 22 East, more particularly described as follows: Commence at a concrete monument at the Southwest corner of Southeast Quarter (SE 1/4) of Southeast Quarter (SW 1/4) of said Section 18, Township 6 South, Range 22 East and run North 1°25'28" seconds east for 398.04 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence North 89°48'50" East for 1,318.32 feet; thence North 0°11'38" East for 132.64 feet; thence South 89°48'44" West for 1,315.26 feet, thence South 1°25'28" West for 132.68 feet to the Point of Beginning, containing 4.010 acres, more or less. Bradford County Parcel Identification Number: 02299-0-00600

You are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, on M. Aaron Dukes, the Plaintiffs' attorney, whose address is Post Office Box 328, Lake Butler, Florida 32054, on or before the 12th day of September, 2022, and file the original with the Clerk of this Court either immediately before service on Plaintiffs' attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint. DATED this 5th day of August, 2022. Denny Thompson Clerk of the Circuit Court BY: Lisa Brannon Deputy Clerk

Published in: The Bradford County Telegraph, August 11, August 18, August 25, and September 1, 2022 Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA) Notice If you are a person with a disability who needs an accommodation in order to access court facilities or participate in a court proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator, Alachua County Family and Civil Justice Center, 201 East University Avenue, Gainesville, FL 32601 (352-337-6237) at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days. If you are hearing or voice-impaired, call 1-800-955-8770 via Florida Relay Service. If you are deaf or hard of hearing and require an ASL interpreter or an assisted listening device to participate in a proceeding, please contact Court Interpreting at interpreter@circuitt8.org

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NOTICE OF ACTION TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS

JACQUARA GEORGE ADDRESS UNKNOWN

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the State of Florida, Department of Children and Families, has filed a Petition to terminate your parental rights and permanently commit the following child for adoption: M.G. born on 12/25/2021. A copy of the Petition is on file with the Clerk of the Court. You are hereby commanded to appear on Wednesday, October 12, 2022, at 9:40 a.m., before the Honorable Jodi Cason at the Bradford County Courthouse, 945 N Temple Ave, Starke, FL 32091, for a CONTINUED ADVISORY HEARING. *****FAILURE TO PERSONALLY APPEAR AT THIS CONTINUED ADVISORY HEARING CONSTITUTES CONSENT TO THE TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS TO THIS CHILD IF YOU FAIL TO APPEAR ON THE DATE AND TIME SPECIFIED YOU MAY LOSE ALL LEGAL RIGHTS TO THE CHILD NAMED IN THE PETITION ATTACHED HERETO.*****

WITNESS my hand and seal of this Court at Starke, Bradford County, Florida, on this 29th day of July, 2022. Denny Thompson Clerk of Circuit Court By: R. Jefferson Deputy Clerk

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IN THE COURT OF THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR BRADFORD COUNTY, FLORIDA JUVENILE DIVISION CASE NO. 04-2021-DP-149 IN THE INTEREST OF: G., M. (M) DOB: 12/25/2021 Minor child

NOTICE OF ACTION TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS

JACQUARA GEORGE ADDRESS UNKNOWN

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the State of Florida, Department of Children and Families, has filed a Petition to terminate your parental rights and permanently commit the following child for adoption: M.G. born on 12/25/2021. A copy of the Petition is on file with the Clerk of the Court. You are hereby commanded to appear on Wednesday, October 12, 2022, at 9:40 a.m., before the Honorable Jodi Cason at the Bradford County Courthouse, 945 N Temple Ave, Starke, FL 32091, for a CONTINUED ADVISORY HEARING. *****FAILURE TO PERSONALLY APPEAR AT THIS CONTINUED ADVISORY HEARING CONSTITUTES CONSENT TO THE TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS TO THIS CHILD IF YOU FAIL TO APPEAR ON THE DATE AND TIME SPECIFIED YOU MAY LOSE ALL LEGAL RIGHTS TO THE CHILD NAMED IN THE PETITION ATTACHED HERETO.*****

WITNESS my hand and seal of this Court at Starke, Bradford County, Florida, on this 29th day of July, 2022. Denny Thompson Clerk of Circuit Court By: R. Jefferson Deputy Clerk

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Special Accommodations. Under the American with Disabilities Act, if you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator at (352) 337-6237, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance. If you are hearing or voice impaired, please call 711. If you are deaf or hard of hearing and require an ASL interpreter or an assisted listening device to participate in a proceeding, please contact Court Interpreting at interpreter@circuitt8.org.

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*****FAILURE TO PERSONALLY APPEAR AT THIS ADVISORY HEARING CONSTITUTES CONSENT TO THE TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS TO THIS CHILD IF YOU FAIL TO APPEAR ON THE DATE AND TIME SPECIFIED YOU MAY LOSE ALL LEGAL RIGHTS TO THE CHILD NAMED IN THE PETITION ATTACHED HERETO.*****

WITNESS my hand and seal of this Court at Starke, Bradford County, Florida, on this 28 day of July, 2022. Denny Thompson Clerk of Circuit Court By:Romana Jefferson Deputy Clerk Special Accommodations. Under the American with Disabilities Act, if you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator at (352) 337-6237, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance. If you are hearing or voice impaired, please call 711. If you are deaf or hard of hearing and require an ASL interpreter or an assisted listening device to participate in a proceeding, please contact Court Interpreting at interpreter@circuitt8.org.

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NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT PURSUANT TO A WRIT OF EXECUTION hereby issued out of the Circuit Court, Clay County, Florida, Case No. 07-CA-1572 on 1st day of August, 2022 in the matter of a Personal Property Levy, I Gordon Smith, As Sheriff of Bradford County, Florida, have levied upon all the right, and interest of the defendant(s) Michael Shults to wit: 2008 Harley Davidson FLHTCUI – VIN-1HD1FC4128Y658597 And on Friday September 16, 2022 at 11:00 AM., (at Miracle Tow, 620 N Thompson St, Starke, FL 32091) or as soon thereafter as circumstances permit, I will offer the above described property for sale at public outcry and sell the same, subject to ALL prior liens, if any, to the highest and best bidder for CASH IN HAND, plus Florida Sales Tax, if applicable, the proceeds to be applied as far as may be to payment of cost and satisfaction of the above described execution. The above-described property may be viewed up to 30 minutes prior to the scheduled sale time. In accordance with the American Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding shall contact the individual or agency sending notice not later than seven days prior to the proceeding at the address given on notice. Telephone: (904) 966-6380 Gordon Smith As Sheriff of Bradford County, Florida By: Glenn Ward Jr. Master Deputy

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PUBLIC SALE Ron Denmark Mini Storage will hold a public auction on 8/26/22 10:00 am at 2117 N. Temple Ave. Starke, FL on the following units containing personal items: #92 – Belonging to N. Harley #118 – Belonging to C. Ginn #149 – Belonging to L. Erdman #96 – Belonging to B. Busterna #86 – Belonging to M. Bush #60- Belonging to E. Brown #5 – Belonging to B. Brown #65 – Belonging to R. Jordan #167- Belonging to A. Hinds #150 & 151 – Belonging to B. Anderson #145- Belonging to K. Russell

Legal Notices

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR BRADFORD COUNTY, FLORIDA FILE NO.: 04-2022-CP-91 PROBATE DIVISION

IN RE: ESTATE OF BILLIE CATHERINE GRIFFIS, Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS The administration of the estate of BILLIE CATHERINE GRIFFIS, deceased, File Number 04-2022-CP-91, is pending in the Circuit Court for Bradford County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 345 N. Temple Ave. Starke, FL 32091. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

ALL INTERESTED PERSONS ARE NOTIFIED THAT:

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

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

ALL CLAIMS NOT SO FILED WILL BE FOREVER BARRED! The date of the first publication of this Notice is August 18, 2022. EXECUTED this 18th day of August, 2022.

PAUL SANDERS, P.A. Attorney for Petitioner Florida Bar No.: 557463. 115 E. Call St. Starke, Florida 32091 Telephone: 904/964-2323 VIOLA TROLLINGER, (Petitioner) 425 NE. 264th St. Lawtey, FL 32058

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR BRADFORD COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION File No. 22-CP-77 Division

IN RE: ESTATE OF HESTER LYNN SANDERS, Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS The administration of the estate of HESTER LYNN SANDERS, deceased, whose date of death was June 6, 2022, is pending in the Circuit Court for Bradford County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 945 North Temple Avenue, Starke, FL 32091. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

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

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

ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN FLORIDA STATUTES SECTION 733.702 WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

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

The date of first publication of this notice is: August 18, 2022.

Robert D. Hines, Esq. Attorney for Personal Representative Florida Bar No. 0413550 Hines Norman Hines, P.L. 1312 W. Fletcher Avenue, Suite B Tampa, FL 33612 Telephone: 813-265-0100 Email: rhines@hnh-law.com Secondary Email: jrvera@hnh-law.com

ROBERT D. HINES, ESQ. Personal Representative 1312 W. Fletcher Avenue, Suite B Tampa, FL 33612

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

CASE NO.: 04-2022-CA-000111 LAKEVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC, Plaintiff,

v.

LENA C. HINSON, et al., Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE NOTICE is hereby given that Denny Thompson, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Bradford County, Florida, will on September 22, 2022, at 11:00 a.m. ET, at the front Lobby of the Bradford County Courthouse, 945 North Temple Avenue, Starke, FL 32091 in accordance with Chapter 45, F.S., offer for sale and sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, the following described property situated in Bradford County, Florida, to wit: A parcel of land lying in the Northeast 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 22, Township 5 South, Range 22 East, Bradford County, Florida, said parcel being shown as Parcel 1 on a map prepared by Patrick B. Welch & Associates, Inc. and recorded in Misc. Map Book 1, Page 1, Public Records of said County, being more particularly described as follows: Commence at the intersection of the North line of the Northeast 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of said Section 22 with the Southerly right-of-way line of County Road 125 and run N89°27'23"W, along the North line of said Northeast 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4, for a distance of 140.79 feet to a set 1/2" iron rod located at the Northeast corner of said Parcel 1;

thence run S00°32'37"W, along the East Line of said Parcel 1, for a distance of 343.30 feet to a set 1/2" iron rod for the POINT OF BEGINNING. From the POINT OF BEGINNING thus described, continue S00°32'37"W along said East Line of Parcel 1, for a distance of 343.30 to a found 1/2" iron rod located at the Southeast corner of said Parcel 1; thence run N89°27'23"W, along the South line of said Parcel 1 and parallel with the North line of said Parcel 1, said North line being the North line of said Northeast 1/4 of Northwest 1/4, for a distance of 317.22 feet to a set 1/2" iron rod located at the Southwest corner of said Parcel 1; thence run N00°32'37"E, along the West line of said Parcel 1, for a distance of 343.30 feet to a set 1/2" iron rod; thence run S89°27'23"E, parallel with said North line of said Parcel 1, for a distance of 317.22 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING. RESERVING THEREFROM an easement for ingress, egress and utilities over the Westerly 30.00 feet thereof.

ALSO BEING CONVEYED with a right of ingress and egress over all the roads shown on aforesaid map recorded on Page 1 of Misc. Map Book 1 of the public records of said County.

TOGETHER WITH that certain 2007 Destiny Manufactured Home Serial Number DISH02139A/B Property Address: 23239 NW 29th Avenue, Lawtey, FL, 32058 pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered in a case pending in said Court, the style and case number of which is set forth above.

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

If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagee, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney.

Under the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in a proceeding, you are entitled to be provided with certain assistance at no cost to you. Please contact the ADA Coordinator, Alachua County Family and Civil Justice Center, 201 East University Avenue, Gainesville, FL 32601 (352-337-6237) at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days. If you are hearing or voice-impaired, call 1-800-955-8770 via Florida Relay Service. SUBMITTED on this 10th day of August, 2022.

TIFFANY & BOSCO, P.A. /s/ Kathryn I. Kasper, Esq. Anthony R. Smith, Esq. FL Bar #157147 Kathryn I. Kasper, Esq. FL Bar #621188 Attorneys for Plaintiff OF COUNSEL:

Tiffany & Bosco, P.A. 1201 S. Orlando Ave., Suite 430 Winter Park, FL 32789 Telephone: (205) 930-5200 Facsimile: (407) 712-9201 Copies furnished to:

Marion F. Hinson 23239 NW 29th Avenue Lawtey, FL 32058 River Road Plantation Association, Inc.

c/o Robert Beecroft, Registered Agent 23225 NW 31st Avenue Lawtey, FL 32058 MRC Receivables Corp.

c/o Midland Credit Management, Inc., Registered Agent 13008 Telecom Drive, Suite 350 Tampa, FL 33637 John F. Rudy, III, Esq.

Counsel for United States of America o/b/o Housing and Urban Development Assistant United States Attorney 400 North Tampa Street, Suite 3200 Tampa, FL 33602 usafm.hud@usdoj.gov jaxsforeclosures@hud.gov

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

CASE NO. 04-2022-CA-000197

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, Plaintiff,

vs.

GENEVA HOLT A/K/A GENEVA YVONNE HOLT A/K/A GENEVA BROSKY, et al. Defendants.

NOTICE OF ACTION

To the following Defendant(s): ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER, AND AGAINST THE ESTATE OF HENRY BROSKY, WHETHER SAID UNKNOWN PARTIES MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST AS SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS YOU ARE NOTIFIED THAT an action for Foreclosure of Mortgage on the following described property:

A PARCEL OF LAND LYING IN THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 31, TOWNSHIP 7 SOUTH, RANGE 22 EAST, BRADFORD COUNTY, FLORIDA; SAID PARCEL BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCE AT A FOUND 1/2" IRON ROD LOCATED AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 AND RUN SOUTH 88° 48' 23" WEST, AS A BASIS OF BEARING, ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF SAID SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF NORTHWEST 1/4 FOR A DISTANCE OF 126.58 FEET TO A SET 1/2" IRON ROD FOR THE POINT OF BEGINNING. FROM THE POINT OF BEGINNING THUS DESCRIBED RUN SOUTH 02° 44' 38" EAST FOR A DISTANCE OF 291.82 FEET TO A SET 1/2" IRON ROD; THENCE RUN NORTH 89° 54' 12" WEST FOR A DISTANCE OF 354.92 FEET TO A SET 1/2" IRON ROD LOCATED ON THE EASTERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF C.S.X. TRANSPORTATION RAILROAD; THENCE RUN NORTH 17° 45' 22" EAST ALONG SAID EASTERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE FOR A DISTANCE OF 299.98 FEET TO A FOUND 1/2" IRON ROD LOCATED ON THE NORTH LINE

OF SAID SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF NORTHWEST 1/4; THENCE RUN NORTH 88° 48' 23" EAST ALONG SAID NORTH LINE FOR A DISTANCE OF 249.52 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. RESERVING THE SOUTHERLY 15.00 FEET THEREOF FOR INGRESS, EGRESS, AND GENERAL ROAD PURPOSES, TOGETHER WITH AND SUBJECT TO A 30.00 FOOT EASEMENT FOR INGRESS, EGRESS, AND GENERAL ROAD PURPOSES BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCE AT A FOUND 1/2" IRON ROD LOCATED AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 AND RUN SOUTH 88° 48' 23" WEST, AS A BASIS OF BEARING, ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF SAID SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF NORTHWEST 1/4 FOR A DISTANCE OF 126.58 FEET TO A SET 1/2" IRON ROD; THENCE CONTINUE SOUTH 88° 48' 23" WEST ALONG SAID NORTH LINE FOR A DISTANCE OF 249.52 FEET TO A FOUND 1/2" IRON ROD LOCATED AT THE EASTERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF C.S.X. TRANSPORTATION RAILROAD; THENCE RUN SOUTH 17° 45' 22" WEST ALONG SAID EASTERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE FOR A DISTANCE OF 284.24 FEET TO A SET 1/2" IRON ROD FOR THE POINT OF BEGINNING OF SAID EASEMENT. FROM THE POINT OF BEGINNING THUS DESCRIBED RUN SOUTH 89° 54' 12" EAST FOR A DISTANCE OF 379.44 FEET TO A SET 1/2" IRON ROD; THENCE RUN SOUTH 02° 44' 38" EAST FOR A DISTANCE OF 30.04 FEET TO A SET 1/2" IRON ROD; THENCE RUN NORTH 89° 54' 12" WEST FOR A DISTANCE OF 358.99 FEET TO A SET 1/2" IRON ROD; THENCE RUN SOUTH 17° 45' 22" WEST PARALLEL WITH SAID EASTERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF C.S.X. TRANSPORTATION RAILROAD FOR A DISTANCE OF 454.96 FEET TO A SET 1/2" IRON ROD; THENCE RUN SOUTH 89° 54' 12" EAST FOR A DISTANCE OF 107.59 FEET TO A SET 1/2" IRON ROD; THENCE RUN SOUTH 00° 05' 48" WEST FOR A DISTANCE OF 30.00 FEET TO A FOUND 1/2" IRON ROD; THENCE RUN NORTH 89° 54' 12" WEST FOR A DISTANCE OF 148.62 FEET TO A FOUND 1/2" IRON ROD LOCATED ON SAID EASTERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF C.S.X. TRANSPORTATION RAILROAD; THENCE RUN NORTH 17° 45' 22" EAST ALONG SAID EASTERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE FOR A DISTANCE OF 517.93 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. THE ABOVE DESCRIBED PARCEL AND EASEMENT BEING PORTIONS OF LANDS RECORDED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 873, PAGES 487 AND 488 OF SAID COUNTY TOGETHER WITH EASEMENTS AS DESCRIBED AND RECORDED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 873, PAGES 489 AND 490 OF SAID COUNTY, TO INCLUDE A DOUBLE WIDE MOBILE HOME VIN# FLHMLCF 164624848A AND FLHMLCF164624848B. has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it, on McCalla Rayer Leibert Pierce, LLC, Sara Collins, Attorney for Plaintiff, whose address is 225 East Robinson Street, Suite 155, Orlando, FL 32801 on or before _____, a date which is within thirty (30) days after the first publication of this Notice in the Bradford County Telegraph Inc. and file the original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint.

WITNESS my hand and seal of this Court this 9 day of August, 2022 Clerk of the Court By Lisa Brannon As Deputy Clerk Bradford County Telegraph Inc.

Submitted by: MCCALLA RAYMER LEIBERT PIERCE, LLC 225 E. Robinson St. Suite 155 Orlando, FL 32801 Phone: (407) 674-1850 Email: MRSservice@mccallala.com

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR BRADFORD COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO: 04-2021-CP-000022-CPAM

IN RE: ESTATE OF BELINDA SUE MORGAN Deceased.

AMENDED NOTICE TO CREDITORS The administration of the estate of BELINDA SUE MORGAN, deceased, whose date of death was January 15, 2021, is pending in the Circuit Court for Bradford County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is Post Office Drawer B, Starke, Florida 32091. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

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

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

ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN SECTION 733.702 OF THE FLORIDA PROBATE CODE 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 August 18, 2022. ATTORNEY AT LAW, P.A. BY: Timothy Keyser TIMOTHY KEYSER Attorney for Petitioner Florida Bar Number: 181740 Post Office Box 92 Interlachen, Florida 32148 (386) 684-4673 Keyser.legal@gmail.com Serve.keyser@gmail.com Personal Representative DAVID LEE MORGAN 616 SE 2nd Avenue

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR BRADFORD COUNTY, FLORIDA File No. 2022-CP-000039 PROBATE DIVISION

IN RE: ESTATE OF HAZEL STARLING SAPP Deceased.

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION The administration of the Estate of HAZEL STARLING SAPP, deceased, File Number 04-2022-cp-000039, is pending in the Circuit Court for Bradford County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 945 North Temple Avenue, Starke, Florida 32091. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

ALL INTERESTED PERSONS ARE NOTIFIED THAT: All persons on whom this notice is served who have objections that challenge the validity of the will, the qualifications of the personal representative, venue, or jurisdiction of this Court are required to file their objections with this Court WITHIN THE LATER OF THREE MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is served within three months after the date of the first publication of this notice must file their claims with this Court WITHIN THE LATER OF THREE MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

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

ALL CLAIMS, DEMANDS AND OBJECTIONS NOT SO FILED WILL BE FOREVER BARRED. The date of the first publication of this Notice is 18 day of August 2022. Attorney for Personal Representative: Curtis A. "Lex" Sanders, P.A. 407 West Georgia Street Starke, Florida 32091 Telephone: (904) 964-4111 Florida Bar No.: 0625647 Personal Representative: Diane Hickman 20 Fishkill Hook Road Hopewell Junction NY 12533

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 8TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR BRADFORD COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION

CASE NO.: 2022-CA-0105 U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, Plaintiff,

vs. UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF KATHLYN D. SANDERS, et al., Defendants.

NOTICE OF ACTION: TO: UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF KATHLYN D. SANDERS

Last Known Address: 102 HERLONG ST, STARKE, FL 32091 Current Residence Unknown YOU ARE NOTIFIED THAT an action for Foreclosure of Mortgage on the following described property:

LOT 28, KNIGHTS REPLAT, ACCORDING TO MAP OR PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 54 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF BRADFORD COUNTY, FLORIDA. LYING AND BEING IN SECTION 21, TOWNSHIP 6 SOUTH, RANGE 22 EAST, BRADFORD COUNTY, FLORIDA. (has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it, on De Cubas & Lewis, P.A., Attorney for Plaintiff, whose address is P.O. BOX 771270, CORAL SPRINGS, FL 33077 on or before _____, a date at least thirty (30) days after the first publication of this Notice in the (Please publish in BRADFORD COUNTY TELEGRAPH) and file the original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint.

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in a proceeding, you are entitled to be provided with certain assistance at no cost to you. Please contact the ADA Coordinator, Alachua County Family and Civil Justice Center, 201 East University Avenue, Gainesville, FL 32601 (352) 337-6237 at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days. If you are hearing or voice impaired, call 1-800-955-8770 via Florida Relay Service. WITNESS my hand and the seal of this Court this 18 day of August, 2022. DENNY THOMPSON As Clerk of the Court . BY: Lisa Brannon Deputy Clerk

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PUBLIC AUCTION An auction pursuant to statute #713.78 to be held August 29, 2022 at 10:00 am at 7333 Kyle Street, Keystone Heights, FL 32656 for the following vehicle: JA4LS21H52J039343 2002 Mitsubishi Montero Sport

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CITY OF STARKE FL - EAST CALL STREET LIFT STATION REPLACEMENT REBID City of Starke, Florida (Owner) will receive sealed Bids for East Call Street Lift Station Replacement REBID, CWSRF WW040200, until 2 p.m. on September 21, 2022 at City of Starke Florida, City Manager's Office, City Hall, P.O. Drawer C, Starke, FL 32091. Bids received will be publicly opened and read Bid security required: 5 percent of the Bid. Project description: reconstruction of an existing pump station, and all materials and equipment, services, and construction inherent to the Work. Substantial Completion: within 300 days; Final Completion: within 345 days.

Virtual pre-Bid conference: August 24, 2022 at 2 p.m.; instructions for web conference to be sent to registered parties in advance. Obtain Bidding Documents electronically on or after 5 p.m. on August 16, 2022. Email dandrews@woodardcurran.com (copy to shines@woodardcurran.com) with the subject line "Starke FL - East Call Street Lift Station Replacement REBID" to register and obtain Bidding Documents.

The Project being bid is subject to Section 255.20 Florida Statutes and other applicable Laws. The Owner expects to finance the resulting Agreement/Contract with assistance from the FDEP administering the SRF loan program supported in part with funds from the U.S. EPA. Compliance with applicable requirements include asa minimum: Florida Administrative Code Chapter 62-503 and/or Chapter 62-552 as applicable; applicable female participation; affirmative action and equal employment opportunity provisions; the American Iron and Steel requirements of H.R. 3547 "Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2014"; and the Davis Bacon Act and wages. Goal for female participation: 6.9 percent statewide. Goal for minority participation: 22.2 percent for Bradford County.

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participation: 6.9 percent statewide. Goal for minority participation: 22.2 percent for Bradford County. 8/25 1tchg-BCT

City Of Starke FL - Wastewater Collection System Upgrades & Rehabilitation REBID City of Starke, Florida (Owner) will received sealed Bids for Wastewater Collection System Upgrades & Rehabilitation REBID CWSRF WW040200, until 2 p.m. on October 5, 2022 at City of Starke Florida, City Manager's Office, City Hall, 209 North Thompson Street, Starke, FL 32091. Bids received will be publicly opened and read. Bid security required: 5 percent of the Bid. Project description: sewer repairs in the City of Starke with rehabilitation that includes cast-in-place pipe lining, rehabilitation of existing manholes, and open cut sewer repair, new force main route installation, and all material and equipment, and construction services inherent to the Work. Substantial Completion: within 270 days; all Work except Warranty Inspection: within 300 days; Final Completion (Warranty Inspection complete): 320 calendar days from Substantial Completion (45 calendar days prior to expiration of the Warranty Period.)

Virtual pre-Bid conference: September 14, 2022 at 11 a.m.; instructions for web conference to be sent to registered parties in advance. Obtain Bidding Documents electronically: on or after 10 a.m. on August 29, 2022. Email dandrews@woodardcurran.com (copy to shines@woodardcurran.com) with the subject line "Starke FL— Wastewater Collection System Upgrades & Rehabilitation REBID" to register and obtain Bidding Documents.

The Project being bid is subject to Section 255.20 Florida Statutes and other applicable Laws. The Owner expects to finance the resulting Agreement/Contract with assistance from the FDEP administering the SRF loan program supported in part with funds from the U.S. EPA. Compliance with applicable requirements include asa minimum: Florida Administrative Code Chapter 62-503 and/or Chapter 62-552 as applicable; applicable female participation; affirmative action and equal employment opportunity provisions; the American Iron and Steel requirements of H.R. 3547 "Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2014"; and the Davis Bacon Act and wages. Goal for female participation: 6.9 percent statewide. Goal for minority participation: 22.2 percent for Bradford County.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 8TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR BRADFORD COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION

CASE NO.: 2022-CA-0105 U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, Plaintiff,

vs. UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF KATHLYN D. SANDERS, et al., Defendants.

NOTICE OF ACTION: TO: UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF KATHLYN D. SANDERS

Last Known Address: 102 HERLONG ST, STARKE, FL 32091 Current Residence Unknown YOU ARE NOTIFIED THAT an action for Foreclosure of Mortgage on the following described property:

LOT 28, KNIGHTS REPLAT, ACCORDING TO MAP OR PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 54 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF BRADFORD COUNTY, FLORIDA. LYING AND BEING IN SECTION 21, TOWNSHIP 6 SOUTH, RANGE 22 EAST, BRADFORD COUNTY, FLORIDA. (has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it, on De Cubas & Lewis, P.A., Attorney for Plaintiff, whose address is P.O. BOX 771270, CORAL SPRINGS, FL 33077 on or before _____, a date at least thirty (30) days after the first publication of this Notice in the (Please publish in BRADFORD COUNTY TELEGRAPH) and file the original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint.

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in a proceeding, you are entitled to be provided with certain assistance at no cost to you. Please contact the ADA Coordinator, Alachua County Family and Civil Justice Center, 201 East University Avenue, Gainesville, FL 32601 (352) 337-6237 at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days. If you are hearing or voice impaired, call 1-800-955-8770 via Florida Relay Service. WITNESS my hand and the seal of this Court this 18 day of August, 2022. DENNY THOMPSON As Clerk of the Court . BY: Lisa Brannon Deputy Clerk

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Notice is hereby given that SHIRLEY R PICKFORD the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and names in which it was assessed are as follows: Certificate Number: 976 Year of Issuance: 2015 Parcel Number: 04246-0-0000 Case Number: 04-2022-TD-0014 Description of Property: LOT 3 OF BLOCK SIX (6) E. W. HAYES' SUBDIVISION IN SECTIONS 32 AND 33, TOWNSHIP 6 SOUTH, RANGE 22 EAST, AND RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK TWO (2) ON PAGE 48, PUBLIC RECORDS OF BRADFORD COUNTY, FLORIDA.

Name in Which Assessed: ROBERT L CLARKE Name on last tax roll, if different: ROBERT L. CLARKE ET AL All of said property being in the County of Bradford, State of Florida. Unless such certificate or certificates shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate or certificates will be sold to the highest bidder at the BRADFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, STARKE, FL on 12/14/2022, at 11:00 AM, or any subsequently scheduled sale date.

Denny Thompson, Clerk Of The Circuit Court Bradford County, Florida S BY: Kanetra Jenkins, Deputy Clerk Contact the Tax Deed Office at 904-966-6280 to obtain amount necessary to redeem. DATED: August 18, 2022 DATE OF PUBLICATION: August 25, 2022; September 1, 2022; September 8, 2022; September 15, 2022

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Notice is hereby given that SHIRLEY R PICKFORD REVOCABLE TRUST the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and names in which it was assessed are as follows: Certificate Number: 415 Year of Issuance: 2015 Parcel Number: 01575-0-00000 Case Number: 04-2022-TD-0012 Description of Property: The East half of the South East quarter of the North East quarter of the North East quarter of Section Twenty six, Township Five South of Range Twenty two East and containing five acres more or less.

Name in Which Assessed: MARION SAMS Name on last tax roll, if different: All of said property being in the County of Bradford, State of Florida. Unless such certificate or certificates shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate or certificates will be sold to the highest bidder at the BRADFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, STARKE, FL on 12/14/2022, at 11:00 AM, or any subsequently scheduled sale date.

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Legal Notices

Legals for the week of Aug. 25, 2022

BRADFORD

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Notice is hereby given that SHIRLEY R PICKFORD REVOCABLE TRUST the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and names in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate Number: 766
Year of Issuance: 2015
Parcel Number: 02708-0-00000
Case Number: 04-2022-TD-0009
Description of Property: Commence at the Northwest Corner of Southwest Quarter of Southwest Quarter, Section 22, Township 6 South, Range 22 East, run East 672.5 feet for point of beginning, thence continue East 198 feet, thence South 55 feet, thence West 198 feet, thence North 55 feet to Point of Beginning and lying in Northwest Corner of North Half of Southeast Quarter of Southwest Quarter of Southwest Quarter, Section 22, Township 6 South, Range 22 East, and containing 0.25 acres. Name in Which Assessed: HORACE ROYAL

Name on last tax roll, if different: All of said property being in the County of Bradford, State of Florida. Unless such certificate or certificates shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate or certificates will be sold to the highest bidder at the BRADFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, STARKE, FL on 12/14/2022, at 11:00 AM, or any subsequently scheduled sale date.

Denny Thompson, Clerk Of The Circuit Court
Bradford County, Florida
BY Kanetra Jenkins, Deputy Clerk
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DATED: August 18, 2022
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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

The Bradford County Sheriff's Office requests proposals for the purchase of motor vehicles and related vehicle components for the Fleet Management Division and it's eligible users. Deadline for sealed proposals is September 6th, 2022 @ 10:00 AM. Please email Major George Konkel (george_konkel@bradfordsheriff.org) for Proposal packets or see our website; bradfordcountysheriff.org

8/25 2tchg 9/1-BCT

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

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ordinance, who's title hereinafter appears, will be considered for enactment by the City Commission of the City of Starke, Florida, hereinafter referred to as the City Commission, at a public hearing on September 6, 2022 at 5:30 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard, in City Hall located at 209 North Thompson Street, Starke, Florida. Copies of said ordinance may be inspected by any member of the public at the Office of the City Clerk, City Hall, located at 209 North Thompson Street, Starke, Florida, during regular business hours. On the date, time and place first above mentioned, all interested parties may appear and be heard with respect to the ordinance. The title of said ordinance reads, as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-11
AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF STARKE, FLORIDA AMENDING THE CITY OF STARKE POLICE OFFICERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, CHAPTER 78, ARTICLE IV, DIVISION 1, PERTAINING TO THE POLICE OFFICERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, SECTION 78-119. AMOUNT OF RETIREMENT BENEFITS. PAYMENT OF RETIREMENT BENEFITS; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT CLAUSE, SEVERABILITY, CODIFICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE.

8/25 1tchg-BCT

INVITATION FOR BID

The Town of Brooker is seeking bids from all qualified individuals and companies interested in the installation of a fire hydrant, gate valve and accompanying pipe (as needed) in the Shady Oaks subdivision within

the city limits of Brooker, Florida. For more specific information, please contact Mr. Bernard Carter at 352-258-3110 or Mr. Gene Melvin at 352-214-9603.

All bids must include proof of liability insurance, proof of worker's compensation coverage and necessary licensure/certification for the project.

Bids must be sealed and received on or before 11:00 a.m. on Monday, September 12, 2022. Mailing address: PO Box 127, Brooker, FL 32622. Also, a drop box is located at the Town Hall office if you would like to deliver the bid. The Town Council reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids.

8/25 1tchg-BCT

INVITATION TO BID (ITB) THE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF FLORIDA GATEWAY COLLEGE WILL RECEIVE BIDS FOR THE FOLLOWING:

ITB # (B-039-23-0124)
Public Safety Complex / Driver Safety & Training Track

Florida Gateway College is seeking Invitations to Bid from experienced contractors to construct a driver safety & training track. The College will consider all bids that meet the minimum qualifications and will provide a basis for a mutually beneficial partnership.

Bid Documents Available From: <https://www.fgc.edu/florida-gateway-college/procurement-contracts/solicitations-goods-services/>

Inquiries
Aron Mathews
Director of Procurement & Contracts
Florida Gateway College
149 SE College Place
Lake City, FL 32025
P: (386) 754-4381
E: aaron.mathews@fgc.edu

Date & Time Bids Due:
Friday, September 30, 2022
Must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. (EST)

Place for Receiving Bids:
Bids will be received electronically via FGC Dropbox with instructions provided in the Bid Documents.

Bids must be electronically submitted to the FGC Dropbox prior to the 5:00 p.m. deadline on September 30, 2022. The College will not be responsible for delays that cause a Proposal to arrive after the designated submission deadline.

8/25 5tchg 9/29-BCT

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

CASE NO: 2021-CA-000454
WILMINGTON SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY, FSB, D/B/A CHRISTIANA TRUST AS TRUSTEE FOR PNPMS TRUST II,
Plaintiff,

vs. GERALDINE KING A/K/A JERLIAN KING A/K/A GERALDINE SIMMONS, et al
Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated 22nd day of July 2022 and entered in 2021-CA-000454 of the Circuit Court of the EIGHTH Judicial Circuit in and for Bradford County, Florida, wherein WILMINGTON SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY, FSB, D/B/A CHRISTIANA TRUST AS TRUSTEE FOR PNPMS TRUST II, is the Plaintiff and GERALDINE KING A/K/A JERLIAN KING A/K/A GERALDINE SIMMONS, UNKNOWN TENANT #1 N/K/A JERRICA HIGHSMITH, and UNKNOWN TENANT #2 N/K/A FREDDY CUMMINS, are the Defendant(s). Denny Thompson, as the Clerk of the Circuit Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at Bradford County Courthouse, 945 NORTH TEMPLE AVENUE, STARKE, FL, 32091-2110, beginning at 11:00 AM on the prescribed date at www.alachua.realforeclose.com, on the 22nd day of September 2022, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit: THE EAST 38 FEET OF LOT 3, BLOCK 15 LIVINGSTON, TRUBY & COMPANY'S SUBDIVISION TO TOWN OF STARKE, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN DEED BOOK J, PAGE 232, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF BRADFORD COUNTY, FLORIDA.

Property Address: 914 CROSBY ST, STARKE, FL 32091
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 WITH THE CLERK BEFORE THE CLERK REPORTS THE SURPLUS AS UNCLAIMED.

IMPORTANT AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT. If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in a proceeding, you are entitled to be provided with certain assistance at no cost to you. Please contact the ADA Coordinator, Alachua County Family and Civil Justice Center, 201 East University Avenue, Gainesville, FL 32601 (352) 337-6237 at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days. If you are hearing or voice impaired, call 1-800-955-8770 via Florida Relay Service.

Dated this 22nd day of August 2022.

By: David B. Adamian, Esq.
Bar Number: 1025291

Submitted by:
DELUCA LAW GROUP, PLLC.

Attorney for the Plaintiff
2101 NE 26th Street
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33305
Telephone (954) 368-1311
Fax: (954) 200-8649

DESIGNATED PRIMARY E-MAIL FOR SERVICE PURSUANT TO FLA. R. JUD. ADMIN 2.516
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SERVICE LIST

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STARKE, FL 32091

8/25 2tchg 9/1-BCT

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE: MIRACLE AUTOMOTIVE & TRUCK SERVICE CENTER INC. gives notice that on 09/09/2022 at 12:00 PM the following vehicles(s) may be sold by public sale at 620 N. THOMPSON ST. STARKE FL, 32091 to satisfy the lien for the amount owed on each vehicle for any recovery, towing, or storage services charges and administrative fees allowed pursuant to Florida statute 713.78.

1HD1FC4128Y 658597 2008 HD
This notification is published in BRADFORD COUNTY TELEGRAPH on 08/25/2022.

8/25 1tchg-BCT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN:

Stacey L. Roberts
Last known address of:
1194 Crum St
Starke FL 32091

You are hereby notified that your eligibility to vote is in question. You are required to contact the Supervisor of Elections, in Starke, Florida, no later than thirty (30) days after the date of this publishing. Failure to respond will result in a determination of ineligibility by the Supervisor and your name will be removed from the statewide voter registration system.

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

Date: August 22, 2023

8/25 1tchg-BCT

FICTITIOUS NAME

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of Northside Christian Academy Preschool with a mailing address of 7415 NW CR 225, in the County of Bradford in the City of Starke, Florida 32091 intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida. Dated at Starke, Florida, this 24th day of August 2022

NORTHSIDE BAPTIST CHURCH OF BRADFORD COUNTY, INC.,
a Florida not for profit corporation
BY: Peter Henry, Trustee

8/25 1tchg-BCT

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE:

301 Legacy Auto LLC gives notice that on 9/12/2022 at 09:00 AM the following vehicles(s) may be sold by public sale at 13168 US HWY 301 South, Starke, FL 32091 to satisfy the lien for the amount owed on each vehicle for any recovery, towing, or storage services charges and administrative fees allowed.

5TBET34136S520614 2006 TOYOTA

This notification is published in BRADFORD COUNTY TELEGRAPH on 08/11/2022.

8/25 1tchg-BCT

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4T1BE46K77U188668 2007 TOYOTA

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8/25 1tchg-BCT

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1GTR1TEA6DZ155774 2013 GMC
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8/25 1tchg-BCT

UNION

IN THE COUNTY COURT, IN THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR PUTNAM COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NO: 05-211-SC
CAMPUS USA CREDIT UNION,
Plaintiff,

vs. DAVID RICHARD WHITE,
An Individual,
Defendant

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE
Notice is hereby given that pursuant to a Writ of Execution issued in the County Court of Putnam County, Florida, on the 26th day of May, 2022 in the cause wherein CAMPUS USA CREDIT UNION, is Plaintiff, and David Richard White, is Defendant, being Case No.: 05-211-SC, in said court, I, Brad Whitehead as Sheriff of Union County, Florida, have levied upon all the right, title and interest of the Defendant, David Richard White in and to the following described personal property, to-wit:

2008 Red Toyota Tundra,
VIN: 5TFEV54168X051500

I shall offer this property for sale at 55 West Main Street, Room 102, Lake Butler, Florida, 32054, County of Union, on Friday, September 23, 2022 at 10:00 AM, or as soon thereafter as possible. I will offer for sale all of the said Defendant's David Richard White, right, title, and interest in the aforesaid personal property, at public auction and will sell the same, subject to taxes, all prior liens, encumbrances and judgments, if any, to the highest and best bidder for CASH IN HAND plus Florida sales tax if appropriate.

The monies received through the levy on sale will be paid as prescribed by Fla. Stat. 56.27 and in accordance with the American with Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding shall contact the individual or agency sending notice not later than seven days prior to the proceeding at the address given on notice. Union County Sheriff's Office 386-496-2501

Brad Whitehead, As Sheriff of Union County, Florida
Dated this 12th day of August, 2022 in Lake Butler, Florida, Union County by: Captain Lyn Williams
Chief Deputy Sheriff

8/18 4tchg 9/8-UCT

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

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

vs. JENNIFER DAWN SOUTHERLAND, et al.
Defendants.

NOTICE OF ACTION
To: UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF BERTHA MAE SOUTHERLAND, 11994 NW 132ND TRL, LAKE BUTLER, FL 32054; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF JENNIFER DAWN SOUTHERLAND, 11994 NW 132ND TRL, LAKE BUTLER, FL 32054

LAST KNOWN ADDRESS STATED, CURRENT RESIDENCE UNKNOWN
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose Mortgage covering the following: real and personal property described as follows, to-wit:

A PARCEL OF LAND CONTAINING A TOTAL AREA OF 10.4 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, LYING, BEING AND SITUATE IN THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 9, TOWNSHIP 5 SOUTH, RANGE 19 EAST, UNION COUNTY, FLORIDA, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCE AT A FOUND 4 INCH SQUARE CONCRETE MONUMENT (NOT LABELED) IDENTIFYING THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SAID SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 9, AND RUN SOUTH 89 DEGREES 46 MINUTES 48 SECONDS WEST, ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF SAID SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 9, A DISTANCE OF 1029.05 FEET

TO A FOUND 4 INCH SQUARE CONCRETE MONUMENT (LABELED B.R. WATTLES, RLS 1443), AND TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING OF THE HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED PARCEL OF LAND; THENCE RUN SOUTH 04 DEGREES 55 MINUTES 14 SECONDS EAST A DISTANCE OF 684.70 FEET TO A FOUND 4 INCH SQUARE CONCRETE MONUMENT (NOT LABELED); THENCE RUN SOUTH 89 DEGREES 13 MINUTES 22 SECONDS WEST A DISTANCE OF 661.01 FEET TO A FOUND 4 INCH SQUARE CONCRETE MONUMENT (NOT LABELED); THENCE RUN NORTH 04 DEGREES 47 MINUTES 08 SECONDS WEST A DISTANCE OF 691.01 FEET TO A FOUND 4 INCH SQUARE CONCRETE MONUMENT (NOT LABELED) AT THE INTERSECTION WITH THE AFORESAID NORTH LINE OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 9; THENCE RUN NORTH 89 DEGREES 46 MINUTES 48 SECONDS EAST, ALONG SAID NORTH LINE, A DISTANCE OF 268.65 FEET TO A FOUND 4 INCH SQUARE CONCRETE MONUMENT (LABELED); H.R. WATTLES, RLS1443); THENCE CONTINUE RUNNING NORTH 89 DEGREES 46 MINUTES 48 SECONDS EAST, CONTINUING ALONG SAID NORTH LINE A DISTANCE OF 391.21 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. SUBJECT TO THE PRESCRIPTIVE RIGHT OF WAY OF A COUNTY MAINTAINED GRADED ROAD, OVER AND ACROSS THE NORTHEAST CORNER THEREOF. has been filed against you and you are required to file a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Sara Collins, McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce, LLC, 225 E. Robinson St. Suite 155, Orlando, FL 32801 and file the original with the Clerk of the above-styled Court on or before September 18, 2022 or 30 days from the first publication, otherwise a Judgment may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

WITNESS my hand and seal of said Court on the 19 day of August, 2022
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT-
As Clerk of the Court
BY: Crystal Norman
Deputy Clerk

8/25 2tchg 9/1-BCT

FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF LAW ENFORCEMENT,
Petitioner
vs.
William C. Moody, Jr., Case #47987
Respondent

NOTICE OF ACTION
TO: WILLIAM C. MOODY, JR.
Residence Unknown
YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an Administrative Complaint has been filed against you seeking to revoke your CORRECTIONAL Certificate in accordance with Section 943.1395, F.S., and any rules promulgated thereunder.

You are required to serve a written copy of your intent to request a hearing pursuant to Section 120.57, F.S. upon Dean Register, Director, Criminal Justice Professionalism Program, Florida Department of Law Enforcement, P. O. Box 1489, Tallahassee, Florida 32302-1489, on or before October 19, 2022. Failure to do so will result in a default being entered against you to Revoke said certification pursuant to Section 120.60, F.S., and Rule 11B-27, F.A.C. Dated: August 19, 2022
Dean Register, Professionalism Director
FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF LAW ENFORCEMENT
By: -s- Craig O'Connell, Division Representative

8/25 4tchg 9/15-UCT

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Public Safety Complex / Driver Safety & Training Track

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Date & Time Bids Due:
Friday, September 30, 2022
Must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. (EST)

Place for Receiving Bids:
Bids will be received electronically via FGC Dropbox with instructions provided in the Bid Documents.

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NOTICE OF PRELIMINARY INTENDED DISTRICT DECISION

Pursuant to Subsection 373.2295(6), Florida Statutes (F.S.), the St. Johns River Water Management District ("District") gives it Notice of Preliminary Intended District Decision for the Consumptive Use Permit application referenced below.

Melrose Water Association, PO Box 220, Melrose, FL 32666-0220
Consumptive Use Permit #7961-4.

The District proposes to authorize the use of 0.146 million gallons per day (mgd) of groundwater from the Upper Floridan aquifer for public supply type use through 2042. The withdrawals used by this existing project will consist of Groundwater from Floridan Aquifer System - Upper Floridan Aquifer via 2 active wells in Putnam County, located in Section 18, Township 9 South, Range 23 East. This project is known as Melrose Water Association.

In part, the proposed permit would authorize the interdistrict transfer of groundwater from the St. Johns River Water Management District to the Suwannee River Water Management District for public supply use in Alachua, Bradford, Clay, and Putnam Counties.

Notifying the District in Writing of Your Position and Comments or Objections

Within nineteen (19) days of the District depositing its Notice of Preliminary Intended District Decision in the mail (for those persons to whom the District mails actual notice), within fourteen (14) days of the District emailing the Notice of Preliminary Intended District Decision (for those persons to whom the District emails actual notice), or within fourteen (14) days of newspaper publication of the Notice of Preliminary Intended District Decision (for those persons to whom the District does not mail or email actual notice), you may, pursuant to Section 373.2295(6)(a), F.S., provide written notification to the District of your position and comments or objections (collectively, "Notification") regarding the Notice of Preliminary Intended District Decision.

The time for submitting the Notification to the District is not extended by mailing. The District will not accept electronic facsimile transmission of the Notification.

Your notification must be made in writing and submitted by hand delivery or U.S. mail to the District Clerk at District Headquarters, P. O. Box 1429, Palatka Florida 32178-1429 (4049 Reid St., Palatka, FL 32177), or by email with the District Clerk at Clerk@sjrwm.com, within the time specified above. The time for submitting your notification is not extended by mailing. The District's regular business hours are 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., excluding weekends and District holidays. Notifications received by the District Clerk after the District's regular business hours shall be deemed to be received by the District as of 8:00 a.m. on the District's next regular business day. The District's acceptance of written Notifications that are submitted by e-mail is subject to certain conditions set forth in the District's Statement of Agency Organization and Operation (issued pursuant to Rule 28-101.001, F.A.C.), which is available for viewing at www.sjrwm.com. Attempting to submit your Notification by facsimile (fax) transmission is prohibited and shall not constitute receipt by the District of your Notification. Within fourteen (14) days after the District files its Notice of Intended District Decision with the District Clerk, any substantially affected person(s) who previously timely submitted a written Notification of their position and comments or objections regarding the District's Notice of Preliminary Intended District Decision pursuant to Section 373.2295(6)(a), F.S., may request review of the District's Notice of Intended District Decision by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) pursuant to Section 373.2295(6)(d), F.S. Please note that if

there is no such timely filed requests for FDEP review, the District's Notice of Intended District Decision shall become the final order of the District. If such timely request for review by FDEP is made, any substantially affected person who requested such review will be afforded in opportunity to request an administrative hearing pursuant to Chapter 120, F.S., within fourteen (14) days after notice of FDEP's intended action on the District's Notice of Intended District Decision.

Other Information
If you wish to receive a copy of the Technical Staff Report (TSR) that provides District staff's analysis of the application, please submit your request to Director, Office of Business and Administrative Services, P.O. Box 1429, Palatka, FL 32178-1429. Once a TSR becomes available, you may also review it by going to the Permitting section of the District's website at www.sjrwm.com/permitting/index.html. To obtain information on how to find and view a TSR, visit https://permitting.sjrwm.com/epermitting/html/EP_FAQs.html, and then follow the directions provided under "How to find a Technical Staff Report (TSR) or other application file documents."

8/25 1tchg-LRM

LAKE REGION

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Alday, Hardy honored for leaving a legacy in BC schools

BY CLIFF SMELLEY
Telegraph Staff Writer

Linda Alday and Don Hardy, who each devoted more than 30 years to the Bradford County School District, were honored by the Bradford County Education Foundation at its annual Leave a Legacy event, which was held Aug. 18 at Madison Street Baptist Church in Starke.

Leave a Legacy, which recognizes those who've impacted Bradford schools and the community, is a fundraiser for BCEF, an all-volunteer organization created in 1990 to raise funds for Bradford public schools.

"We do all of this because we care about kids and education," BCEF President Cheryl Canova said. "Last year alone, we donated over \$70,000 to our Bradford public schools."

Superintendent of Schools Will Hartley said, "I can tell you that during my time, since I've been here, everything we have asked of them, we have gotten. They're all about the kids. They do an amazing job."

Prior to the spotlight being placed on the night's honorees, an auction consisting of four cakes made by Virginia Antry was held, raising more than \$900 for BCEF. A welcome sign made by Bradford Transition Academy students was auctioned off for an additional \$100.

Auctioneer Kevin Kerr donated an auction item to provide funds to BCEF as well — a knife that sold for \$130.

Alday and Hardy were each featured in video presentations, talking about their careers as well as their lives in retirement. Both joined Bradford County Judge Tatum Davis for a question-and-answer session as well.

Linda Alday

Alday, who was born and raised in Starke, attended Starke Elementary, Bradford Middle and Bradford High schools. She married her high-school sweetheart, Dwayne, and will celebrate her 54th anniversary this month. They have two sons, who graduated from BHS, four grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

"Life is good," Alday said. "We are so blessed."

It was a call from her sister, Josie Williams, that led to her start in the school district. Alday said her sister told her that Jim Duncan was hiring for a position at Lawtey Elementary. She was



Don Hardy led a choir of former Bradford High School students at the conclusion of Leave a Legacy. Pictured are: (front row, l-r) Merideth Tetstone Fitzpatrick, Kim Bosier Gulick, Beth Francis Isabel, Carrie Mosley Darley, Katrina Yeomans Dugger, Marie Bacon Appling, Erica Cleveland Bryant, Erica Beck Fennell, Jenna Cragg Hewett, Kaity Dunfee Prevatt, Hardy, Lauren Martin Davis, Dyana Jo Crawford Stewart, Denise Waddell Spratlin, Michelle Townsend Marconi, Dana Milner Johns, Kim Douglass Stucky, Heather Whytsell Eison, Jessica Wright, Missy Bosier Patrick, (second row, l-r) Diana Crawford Rothwell, Jessica Outlaw Feltner, Regina Bass Frampton, Misty Crawford Davis, Melissa Williams Frampton, Selina Cassels Armstrong, Erin Elliott, Julie McMillan Morrell, Monica McGee Pombier, Candace Cragg Osteen, Courtney Cragg Witt, Kasey Warren Cornwall, Shelby Carlton Parmenter, Jessica Warren Rutherford, Holly Porter Brummett, Ronda Stern Crawford, Robin Stern Knox, (third row, l-r) Vivian Bell Ramseur, Josh Bell, Tyler Elder, Brian Canova, Denny George, Jason Canova, Clay Meng, Travis Crew, Ben Carter, Tim Johns, Mike Elder, Patrick Dunfee, Bill McRae, Daniel Martin, (back row, l-r) John McMillan, Joey Fitzpatrick, Colby Smith, Ben Napier, Johnny Frampton, Matt Weaver, Casey Moore, Bobby Frampton, West Milner, Aaron Morgan, Donald Hardy, Jr., Matt Stucky and Jake Prevatt. Photo by Brenda Thornton.

hired as a paraprofessional there, which was the beginning of a 35-year career working in the school system.

Alday also worked as a paraprofessional at Southside and Starke elementary schools and served as a substitute teacher as well.

Subbing was a job she loved. "I just loved the challenge," Alday said. "One day, you might be in kindergarten. The next day, you might in the high school."

During the question-and-answer session, Alday described how one thing a substitute teacher did a lot was running off copies of assignments for students. She said the students would all sniff the copies.

"They got the biggest high off the ditto machine," Alday said, which prompted Davis to say, "Who knew we had such a population of ditto-machine snorters in the community?"

Before the laughter could even die down, Hardy said, "I was high on ditto ink for the first two years of my teaching."

Alday recalled how she once substituted for her fellow Leave a Legacy honoree, Hardy, who was the chorus teacher at BHS.

"Did I know anything about singing? No. I was just told to go there," Alday said, adding, "Of course, there are really no lesson plans when you go in there. They sang. I just sat there."

It was still a fun experience, Alday said. Her most memorable

substitute opportunity occurred in kindergarten when one of her sons was in the class. He, of course, called her "Mommy." Following his lead, so did every other student.

"I was 'Mommy' to about 20 head of kindergarteners that day," Alday said. "They did not call me 'Ms. Alday.' It was 'Mommy.' That's one of my fondest memories."

Alday also worked in the purchasing and finance departments during her time in the school system.

During some her summers, Alday worked in the Starke Recreation Department alongside Canova, who was its director.

Alday made memorable appearances at several BCEF events. She participated in the organization's adult spelling bees, dressing up as one of the Things from "The Cat in the Hat" and two Johnny Depp characters: Jack Sparrow and the Mad Hatter from "Alice in Wonderland."

During one of the spelling bees, Alday and her teammate were disqualified when Alday misspelled "tow." She thought the pronouncer was asking her to spell "toe."

"I did not let them forget that," Alday said.

Alday and her husband were also participants in one of the BCEF Fall in Love event, which was like television's "The Newlywed Game."

"He wasn't too good at it,"

Alday said of Dwayne. "My answers were good. He said stuff, and I would turn around, and I'd say, 'What? Where did you get that from?'"

Alday said her husband would begin to say, "Well, I thought," before she interrupted him and said, "Well, don't think anymore."

If those events proved anything, it's that Alday has a sense of humor.

"Anything I can do to have fun in life and share my humor — it just fills my heart," she said.

Davis prompted Alday to talk about the mask project she was involved in after the onset of Covid. She received a call from her church — First United Methodist of Starke — asking if she could make masks. As one who enjoys crafts, she figured she could, especially with the help of YouTube.

Word got out that she was making masks, so she was contacted by local nursing homes asking if she could make some for them.

"I wound up making 780-something masks," said Alday, who also made masks for UF Health Shands doctors, nurses and patients when she received a call from Chad Rhoden, who works in the lung-transplant department. She also made masks for her daughter-in-law and her colleagues at St. Vincent's.

Alday didn't charge for the masks, which she'd leave outside her home for people to pick up.

"I felt like a drug dealer," Alday joked, adding, "I had so many people coming to my house, I didn't even know who they were."

In all seriousness, Alday said, "During Covid, I was so blessed that God gave me a talent to help others. Really, that's what life's about, helping others."

Alday said during her time working with children, she made it a point to listen to them as well as showing them that she cared about them.

"Teachers, subs, educators — they need to know what the student thinks," she said. "It's not all about you. It's about them."

At the close of her video interview, Alday said, "Children always have a place with me. They make me feel young. That's what life is. That's what life's all about."

Don Hardy

Hardy was born June 12, 1951, the son of Charles and Juanita McGauley Hardy. He was the fourth of five children. Hardy grew up in Starke, attending Starke Elementary, Bradford Middle and Bradford High schools.

"I graduated in 1969 — magna cum barely," Hardy joked.

Davis asked Hardy what it was like growing up in a small town. Hardy cracked, "Well, it takes the same number of years to grow up in a small town as it does in a large town."

Hardy later added, "It was a great place to grow up. It was wonderful. I wouldn't trade it for anything in the world. I cherish my childhood memories and love the town of Starke."

An important person came into Hardy's life when William "Bill" T. George was hired as music minister at First Baptist Church of Starke. Hardy, who sang in the

church's youth choir at George's behest, said he could spend all night talking about how much George meant to him.

"Over the years, he was my mentor," Hardy said. "I learned from him that I had musical skills that I never would've known about had he not brought them out in me. That's one of the things you try to do when you teach students — let them discover the abilities they have that they did not know they had."

Hardy earned his AA degree at Santa Fe College. When his friend Bill McRae suggested they go back to school, they both applied for and were accepted to the University of Florida School of Music.

"They wanted to know who our choral directors were in high school," Hardy said. "We said, 'We didn't have choral director in high school because we were not in chorus.' All we had was Mr. George, who we called 'Big G.' The professors at the university said, 'You learned all you learned from a youth choir program at church?' When Hardy and McRae confirmed that, the professors said George must have been quite the teacher."

"We said, 'Oh, yeah. You have no idea.' He was great," Hardy said.

Hardy recalled when he first saw Esther Julia Romero, who walked past him and McRae one day. He said McRae asked, "What was that?" Hardy replied, "If you don't what that was, you're in big trouble, buddy."

That's how Hardy met the woman who would become his wife. He and Esther married on

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Don Hardy (far left) and Tatum Davis (center) give Linda Alday a hard time about misspelling "tow" in one of the Bradford County Education Foundation's adult spelling bees. Alday explained numerous times that she thought the word was "toe," which she did spell correctly, and therefore shouldn't have been eliminated from the competition. Photo by Cliff Smelley.



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Linda Alday (left) worked 35 years as a paraprofessional and substitute teacher as well as in the finance and purchasing departments. Don Hardy taught chorus for 30 years at BHS. During nine of those years, he also taught at BMS. Photo by Brenda Thornton.

30 years until his retirement. During that time, he also taught additionally at BMS for nine years.

Hardy's students amassed more than 150 Superior ratings at solo, ensemble and choir festivals.

"We had a tremendous reputation, especially in our district, for being very good singers, very good musicians," Hardy said. "I thank my students for that."

He said he took six choral groups to the district festival in 1995, with all six earning Superior ratings. They'd go on to do the same at the state festival as well.

"They all received straight Superior ratings, which, at that point in time, had not been done by any school," Hardy said. "I don't know if it's been done since."

Hardy took groups of BHS students to New York City to perform as part of the Florida Youth Chorale at Carnegie

Hall in 1996, 2000 and 2004. Participation in the chorale was by invitation only.

One year, 12 of the 24 members were BHS students.

"That was a pretty good moment for me," Hardy said.

Hardy was asked by Davis if he had any specific students who stood out. He joked that Hartley was one after hearing the superintendent tell the crowd earlier that as a seventh-grader, he chose chorus as an elective because it meant he could ride a bus to the high school and back. He figured that'd be 10 minutes he didn't have to spend in class.

Hartley said what Hardy discovered was he had a student in his class who wouldn't sing, so Hardy eventually called his mother and said, "If you want him to pass in my class, you better just get him out because he's not going to do it."

"I don't even remember that, Will," Hardy said. "I don't even know if that's a true story. Really? I think he made it up."

In all seriousness, Hardy said he couldn't single out any students, saying, "I referred to all of my students as, 'My favorite student.' In many respects, that's true. I loved them. I think they knew I did."

Many of those students were present at Leave a Legacy, with approximately 60 being directed by Hardy during a musical performance at the event's conclusion.

When given the opportunity to say something to those who want to become educators, Hardy said, "If I could give one little piece of advice, it's treat your students with love, kindness, discipline and praise. You have to do that to be successful, in my opinion."

Hardy also added, "Be the teacher about who the principal will say, 'If I had 100 of that person, boy, my life would be great.' Try to be that teacher."

Christmas in July benefits Guardian ad Litem children



Frist Presbyterian Church of Starke completed its "Christmas in July" effort, providing gifts of socks and underwear to children involved in Bradford County Dependency Court and surrounding counties represented by the Eighth Circuit Guardian ad Litem Office. ABOVE: Janice Freeman, Chuck Wuesthoff and Ralph Moulder. RIGHT: Project Chair Camilla Evans.



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July 18, 1975. Their first son, Donald, was born in 1977. Their second son, Adam, was born in 1983. He passed away in 1987 due to cancer.

Hardy, who graduated from UF's School of Music in 1976,

first worked as minister of music and youth at Gainesville's Westside Baptist Church. He was offered jobs at Gainesville's Buchholz High School and Orange Park High School, but Hardy said, "I realized working in Bradford County, for me, was the best place I could be."

He began teaching at BHS in 1978. He remained there for



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Emergency facility's exercise lot on Monday, Sept. 12, at 4:30 p.m. and at the Keystone Trail Head (Wendy's parking lot) on Friday, Sept. 16, at 8:30 a.m.

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Please call 904-966-6224 for more information.

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