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Women rescued from Sonic retention pond

STARKE — Bradford County Sheriff Gordon Smith said two of his employees and three Good Samaritans rescued a pair of older women from a retention pond after the car they were in left the Sonic drive-through and crashed into the pond on Tuesday, Sept. 5.

“Several bystanders immediately jumped into the water, finding Delma Crawford, 81, and Deborah Sapp, 81, in the vehicle as it was filling with water,” wrote the sheriff in a social media post. “Corbett Rhoden, who was eating lunch at

the time, and William Lusignan, an employee of the restaurant, as well as Kenneth Lowe, another bystander who was there, helped the women from the car.”

Smith said his two employees, Lt. Shaun Burgin and Michael Heeder, were the first to respond to a 911 call. The pair carried the women from the pond to picnic tables and checked them for injuries as Starke Police Department, Starke Fire Rescue, and Bradford County Fire Rescue arrived.



Photo: Bradford County Sheriff's Office

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WORTH NOTING

Beverage law a ‘deal killer’ for Wawa, restaurants

BY TRACY LEE TATE
Special to the Times

LAKE BUTLER — Three businesses recently expressed interest in locating in Lake Butler, but all three may choose to go elsewhere as their desired business practices would run afoul of the city’s ordinances.

On June 18, 2019, the Lake Butler City Commission modified its ordinances to allow the sale of alcoholic beverages on Sundays, responding to requests from both Simmer Down and Laredo’s restaurants.

At that meeting, there were many citizen comments, primarily opposed to the change, and representatives from local churches also opposed

the beverage sales. The change was made for two already existing local businesses who had requested it.

Wawa too close to a church and school

The businesses expressing interest in opening in the city all want to serve or sell alcoholic beverages, one selling beer and two others wishing to sell drinks with meals. Wawa is interested in locating at the corner of SR-121 and SR-231, placing the proposed convenience store too close to a school and a church to be allowed to do so.

A restaurant has been looking at the old TD Bank building as a possible

location, placing them too close to a church. Another restaurant, rumored to be an upscale Mexican restaurant, would also be too close to a church.

During the August 15 city commission meeting, Commissioner Melissa Hendrix asked then Interim City Manager Richard Tillis if these businesses would violate the city ordinance regulating the sale of alcoholic beverages, and he responded that they would.

Hendrix cited that previous developers had requested a change or exception to the ordinance and declined to locate in Lake Butler when relief was not granted and raised the concern that making an exception for these businesses would be unfair and unethical.

She added that she would like to see the ordinance stay the same, with agreement from Commissioner Annette Redman and Commissioner Rondoll Huggins.

After a brief discussion, Tillis informed the board that the lack of a change would most likely be a “deal killer.” The board reached a consensus to make no changes to the ordinance or any exceptions for the businesses.

City Attorney John Maines said the matter could be brought up again later should the board desire.

Since the August 15 meeting, there have been no further communications with any of the three prospective businesses.

Starke Kiwanis Club to host poker tourney on Sept. 22

The Kiwanis Club of Starke’s next scheduled Patsy Welch Memorial Poker Tournament is Friday, Sept. 22, at The Downtown Grill. Registration begins at 6 p.m., followed by play at 6:30 p.m.

Buy-in is \$60, which includes high hand and refreshments.

Cash prizes are awarded for first, second and third places.

Proceeds will go toward supporting the state-champion Bradford County 4-H livestock-judging team, which will compete in nationals in November.

Food distribution at fairgrounds

A communitywide food distribution hosted by Feeding Northeast Florida and True Vine Ministry will take place Tuesday, Sept. 19, at 9 a.m. at the Bradford County Fairgrounds in Starke.

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

Food distribution at True Vine

A communitywide food distribution hosted by Farm Share and True Vine Ministry will take Tuesday, Sept. 26, at 10 a.m. at True Vine Outreach Ministry in Starke.

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

Town hall for strategic planning

County Commissioner Carolyn Spooner has planned a strategic planning town hall for the city of Starke on Thursday, Sept. 14, at 5:30 p.m. The meeting will be held at the First United Methodist Church annex building located just behind Starke City Hall. Please come out to discuss your thoughts on the city’s strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats (SWOT). Share the goals you would like to see the county work toward.

Homecoming at Airpark Baptist

Airpark Baptist Church will hold its 74th homecoming service on Sunday, Sept. 17, at 11 a.m. Everyone is invited to join the celebration.

Keystone councilman changes mind on airport

BY DAN HILDEBRAN
Telegraph-Times-Monitor General Manager

The most vocal proponent of changing the governing model of the Keystone Heights Airport told his colleagues he has changed his mind and now supports keeping the facility’s board intact and functioning as is.

Council member Tony Brown had advocated for bringing the facility’s management closer to city

government, making the airport a city department under the city manager.

However, during the September 11 council meeting, Brown said that he supported the status quo after getting more comfortable with how the airport’s current board was operating.

“The one thing that still scares me about doing this is there’s not a dang thing any one of us up here knows about airplanes,” he said.

Brown also said Councilman Steve Hart’s arguments about legal liability

swayed him. In previous meetings, Hart said that more direct oversight of the airport by the council would expose Keystone Heights taxpayers to more liability should property damage, injuries, or fatalities occur at the airport.

Brown also conceded another point to Hart, agreeing that if the council became dissatisfied with the board’s performance, council members could remove or replace any airport board member at any time.

Before Brown’s announcement, Hart had persuaded his colleagues to put the issue on a referendum, allowing voters to decide the airport board’s fate. After Brown’s statement, Hart tried to reverse the earlier vote. However, Mayor Nina Rodenroth and Council Member Chris Thompson voted to continue moving forward with the referendum, and Hart’s attempt failed 2-2.

Council member Bobby Brown was not at the meeting.

Starke employees help restore power following storm

BY MARK J. CRAWFORD
Telegraph Editor

When Starke’s line crew was finished cleaning up the city following Hurricane Idalia, City Manager Drew Mullins dispatched them to Horseshoe Beach to help Central Florida Electric Co-op with their power restoration along with Suwannee Valley Electric Co-op.

Mullins said the longest power outage in the city of Starke was around an hour long. For the past two weeks, however, Starke’s workers have been helping restore power to more than 250,000 accounts.

“Overall municipal power suppliers were able to restore power faster than investor-owned utilities and co-ops and that is pretty regular for all outages,” Mullins said. “Having our own electric department allows us to have local control of our distribution system so we can restore power faster in emergency events.”

Municipal power providers stick together and assist each other in multiple ways, including emergencies.

“[Florida Municipal Electric Association] FMEA has organized mutual aid agreements that we have all signed to assist each other in emergencies. The mutual aid ensures that all of Florida’s public power members can assist each other when we need help. That’s why being a municipal power provider is such a benefit to the citizens of Starke,” Mullins said. “We aren’t just one



Starke employees Stevie Warren, Bruce Sapp, Zach Huskisson, David Brown and Devon Hutcheson. Not pictured: Ethan Nugent.

small system making it on our own. There’s a lot that folks don’t know that goes on every day from the ability

to get transformers, equipment, etc., from larger municipal providers like JEA, Kissimmee, Ocala, Orlando, to

the ability to share information and assistance each other.”





Solid waste assessment increased for the first time

BY MARK J. CRAWFORD
Telegraph Editor

STARKE — Bradford County commissioners adopted a resolution increasing the solid waste assessment on properties.

According to the resolution, the cost will increase 67% across all property classes.

The assessment is paid throughout Bradford County apart from the city of Starke, which has a contract for waste collection service paid for by city customers.

For residential waste from single and multifamily dwellings, churches, and civic organizations, the annual assessment would increase from \$75 to \$125. Other improved lots, including businesses, will continue to be charged based on the amount of waste generated. For less than 5 cubic yards, the

\$150 assessment would increase to \$250, and the fees go up from there.

Property owners were notified via letter. This is the first time the assessment has increased since 1987. The increase is effective as of Oct. 1, meaning it will show up on tax bills mailed later this year.

Without the enhanced revenue, the county commission would have been faced with a deficit in the solid waste budget of more than a million in future years. This year the county was only able to cover the deficit with solid waste and other departments by spending from reserves.

Additional sources of revenue including franchise fees, impact fees and new special assessment fees are also being considered.

The special meeting to pass the resolution was held alongside

the county's first budget hearing. There were a mixture of comments including confusion about who pays the special assessment; understanding that costs go up; but public servants need to live within their budgets; and approval for charging fees to pay for the services people use instead of spreading that cost out as a 10-mill tax on all property owners.

The board adopted that tentative millage rate during its budget hearing. It was the same as this year's rate but 2.4% higher than the rolled-back rate. Those with an increase in property value will see an increase in their tax bill.

The final hearing on the \$85.9 million budget will take place on Monday, Sept. 18, at 5:30 p.m.

Board again rejects attempt to place police chief's job on the ballot

BY MARK J. CRAWFORD
Telegraph Editor

STARKE — Starke commissioners have once more decided against placing the future of the police chief's position on the ballot.

Under old business Sept. 5, Commissioner Shannon Smith attempted to provide simple language the board could agree on to move forward with placing a charter referendum on the ballot.

Voters would have been asked to decide whether the police chief should continue to be elected by popular vote.

Smith brought the same language used in 2017 when the public was asked whether the city clerk should remain an elected position (and decided it should).

Last month the board attempted to get the question on the ballot, but with only four commissioners present, there was no one to break the tie vote.

There were questions about the language which specified the power to appoint a police chief would become the commission's. Commissioners didn't want the public to perceive the referendum as an attempted power grab.

In June, commissioners entertained offers to consolidate police services with the county. Sheriff Gordon Smith offered a contract to fully cover Starke for

\$345,000.

While it's in the commission's authority to decide the size of the police department and its budget, or to contract with the sheriff for those services, the city charter calls for an elected police chief. That is something only voters can change.

Having an elected chief seems to be a stumbling block when it comes to placing law enforcement in the sheriff's hands. But the necessary ballot language is keeping the question off the ballot.

Smith tried proposing the language from the 2017 referendum.

"It was very clear what we wanted, and it was one sentence," he said. He made a motion to direct the attorney to prepare a resolution using this language, and Commissioner Andy Redding seconded the motion.

Attorney Clay Martin said the language was insufficient, however, both then and now. He said it didn't meet the requirements of Florida law, which insists on both a simple question the voter can understand as well as a summary explaining what will happen if voters approve the charter amendment.

"Just placing a one sentence question on the ballot would be subject to challenge. I never predict what a court is going to do, but my guess is that a court

would find that it's insufficient in that it lacks the requisite description under the statute," he said.

It was the possible misinterpretation of the ballot summary that helped derail the previous attempt to place the question on the ballot.

Rather than a resolution, Martin also said the board would need to pass an ordinance, which requires two readings at separate meetings.

Police Chief Jeff Johnson waited during the discussion before having his say.

"I'd just like to put all of this to sleep," he said, recounting that his budget is being cut to \$1.1 million, and he cooperated by offering up around \$500,000 of those cuts on his own.

While he previously supported a referendum, confident voters would choose to continue electing their police chief, Johnson said the continuing discussion is interfering with his ability to hire officers and assure them job stability.

"We've heard the people. People want a police department," he said. "There's no doubt in anybody's mind sitting up here."

The motion was withdrawn, and Smith tried again based on the attorney's legal advice, but this time there was no support for the motion, and it died.

BHS Homecoming events announced

Entry forms for Bradford High School's Homecoming Parade are available now. Stop by the school to pick up your form and be sure to return it by Sept. 18.

The parade will take place Friday, Sept. 29, at 1 p.m. Parade line-up and staging will be on Washington Street, and the parade will proceed south on Temple Avenue (U.S. 301) to Call Street. The parade will turn right onto Call Street and right

again at Orange Street to go back to Washington Street.

Tornado Whirl will take place Thursday, Sept. 28, at 7 p.m. Entry is \$6 for everyone.

The Homecoming game against Keystone Heights will begin at 7:30 p.m. Friday night, Sept. 29. It is a whiteout, and all fans are encouraged to wear white. The high school has T-shirts on sale (<https://tinyurl.com/WhiteoutTShirts>).

Endzone bleachers at the game are being reserved for any class reunion groups who attend.

Conservation board meeting

The Bradford Soil and Water Conservation District will meet at 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 19, at the Bradford County Extension Office. The agenda includes a report on the condition and levels of Bradford lakes and streams and the risk of flooding six years after Irma.

The Lake Sampson Cypress Run Boat Ramp grant will also be discussed. These meetings are open to the public.

The board has a vacant supervisor position. If you vote in county commission Districts 3 or 4, are involved with agriculture and would like to serve as a volunteer supervisor, contact Paul Still at 904-368-0291 or email stillpe@aol.com for more information.

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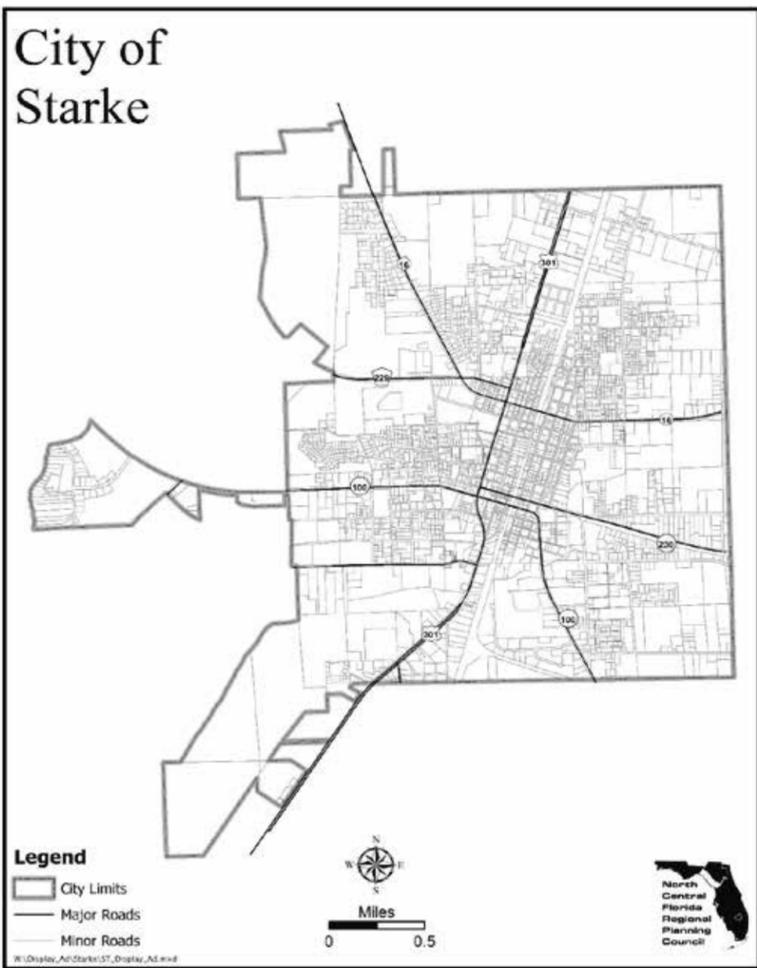
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NOTICE OF ZONING CHANGE

The City Commission of the City of Starke, Florida proposes to change the use of land within the area shown on the map below, by amending the text of the City of Starke Land Development Code, hereinafter referred to as the Land Development Code, as follows:

LDC 23-01 is an application by the City Commission to amend the text of the Land Development Code by amending Section 1-12 entitled Definitions to add definitions for ancillary facilities, antenna, collocation, guyed tower, lattice tower, monopole tower, telecommunications facility, and tower; by amending Section 4-76 entitled Uses Permitted by Special Exception in R-1A, R-1B, and RM-1 to allow telecommunication facilities as a use permitted by special exception; by amending Section 4-84 entitled Uses Permitted by Special Exception in R-1C, R-1D, and RM-2 to allow telecommunication facilities as a use permitted by special exception; by amending Section 4-93 entitled Uses Permitted by Special Exception in R-2A and R-2B to allow telecommunication facilities as a use permitted by special exception; by amending Section 4-96.D entitled Uses Permitted by Special Exception in RP, Residential, Professional District to allow telecommunication facilities as a use permitted by special exception; by amending Section 4-98.B.3 entitled Uses Permitted by Special Exception in B-1, Neighborhood Commercial District to allow telecommunication facilities as a use permitted by special exception; by amending Section 4-99.B.3 entitled Uses Permitted by Special Exception in B-2, Community Commercial District to allow telecommunication facilities as a use permitted by special exception; by amending Section 4-100.B.3 entitled Uses Permitted by Special Exception in B-3, Highway Commercial District to allow telecommunication facilities as a use permitted by special exception; by amending Section 4-101.B.3 entitled Uses Permitted by Special Exception in BP, Business Professional District to allow telecommunication facilities as a use permitted by special exception; by amending Section 4-103.B.3 entitled Uses Permitted by Special Exception in I.1, Light Industrial District to allow telecommunication facilities as a use permitted by special exception; by amending Section 4-104.B.3 entitled Uses Permitted by Special Exception in I.2, General Industrial District to allow telecommunication facilities as a use permitted by special exception; by amending Section 4-105.B.3 entitled Uses Permitted by Special Exception in Agricultural District to allow telecommunication facilities as a use permitted by special exception; by amending Section 4-106.D entitled Uses Permitted by Special Exception in PUD, Planned Unit Development District to allow telecommunication facilities as a use permitted by special exception; and by adding Section 4-218 entitled Telecommunications Facilities to establish telecommunication tower and antenna regulations.



The first of two public hearings on the amendment will be held September 19, 2023 at 5:30 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard, in the City Commission Meeting Room, City Hall located at 209 North Thompson Street, Starke, Florida. The title of said ordinance reads, as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-08

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF STARKE, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE CITY OF STARKE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE, AS AMENDED, PURSUANT TO AN APPLICATION, LDC 23-01, BY THE CITY COMMISSION, RELATING TO AN AMENDMENT TO THE TEXT OF THE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE; PROVIDING FOR AMENDING SECTION 1-12 ENTITLED DEFINITIONS BY ADDING DEFINITIONS FOR ANCILLARY FACILITIES, ANTENNA, COLLOCATION, GUYED TOWER, LATTICE TOWER, MONOPOLE TOWER, TELECOMMUNICATIONS FACILITY, AND TOWER; PROVIDING FOR AMENDING SECTION 4-76 ENTITLED USES PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION IN R-1A, R-1B, AND RM-1 BY ALLOWING TELECOMMUNICATION FACILITIES AS A USE PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION; PROVIDING FOR AMENDING SECTION 4-84 ENTITLED USES PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION IN R-1C, R-1D, AND RM-2 BY ALLOWING TELECOMMUNICATION FACILITIES AS A USE PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION; PROVIDING FOR AMENDING SECTION 4-93 ENTITLED USES PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION IN R-2A AND R-2B BY ALLOWING TELECOMMUNICATION FACILITIES AS A USE PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION; PROVIDING FOR AMENDING SECTION 4-96.D ENTITLED USES PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION IN RP, RESIDENTIAL, PROFESSIONAL DISTRICT BY ALLOWING TELECOMMUNICATION FACILITIES AS A USE PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION; PROVIDING FOR AMENDING SECTION 4-98.B.3 ENTITLED USES PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION IN B-1, NEIGHBORHOOD COMMERCIAL DISTRICT BY ALLOWING TELECOMMUNICATION FACILITIES AS A USE PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION; PROVIDING FOR AMENDING SECTION 4-99.B.3 ENTITLED USES PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION IN B-2, COMMUNITY COMMERCIAL DISTRICT BY ALLOWING TELECOMMUNICATION FACILITIES AS A USE PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION; PROVIDING FOR AMENDING SECTION 4-100.B.3 ENTITLED USES PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION IN B-3, HIGHWAY COMMERCIAL DISTRICT BY ALLOWING TELECOMMUNICATION FACILITIES AS A USE PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION; PROVIDING FOR AMENDING SECTION 4-101.B.3 ENTITLED USES PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION IN BP, BUSINESS PROFESSIONAL DISTRICT BY ALLOWING TELECOMMUNICATION FACILITIES AS A USE PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION; PROVIDING FOR AMENDING SECTION 4-103.B.3 ENTITLED USES PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION IN I.1, LIGHT INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT BY ALLOWING TELECOMMUNICATION FACILITIES AS A USE PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION; PROVIDING FOR AMENDING SECTION 4-104.B.3 ENTITLED USES PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION IN I.2, GENERAL INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT BY ALLOWING TELECOMMUNICATION FACILITIES AS A USE PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION; PROVIDING FOR AMENDING SECTION 4-105.B.3 ENTITLED USES PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION IN AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT BY ALLOWING TELECOMMUNICATION FACILITIES AS A USE PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION; PROVIDING FOR AMENDING SECTION 4-106.D ENTITLED USES PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION IN PUD, PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT BY ALLOWING TELECOMMUNICATION FACILITIES AS A USE PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION; PROVIDING FOR ADDING SECTION 4-218 ENTITLED TELECOMMUNICATIONS FACILITIES BY ESTABLISHING TELECOMMUNICATION TOWER AND ANTENNA REGULATIONS; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

At the aforementioned public hearing, all interested parties may appear to be heard with respect to the amendment.

Copies of the amendment are available for public inspection at the City of Starke Zoning Department, located at 209 North Thompson Street, Starke, Florida, during regular business hours.

All persons are advised that if they decide to appeal any decisions made at the above referenced public hearing, they will need a record of the proceedings, and that for such purpose they may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

Persons with disabilities requesting reasonable accommodations to participate in this proceeding should contact the Office of the City Clerk at 904.964.5027 or via the Florida Relay Service 800.955.8770 (voice) or 800.955.8771 (TTY) at least 48 hours prior to the date of the public hearing.

Lawtey going with traffic cams

BY MELISSA PYLE
Telegraph Staff Writer

LAWTEY — The Lawtey City Council held the first reading of an ordinance to implement a traffic camera program.

Cameras from Redspeed International will be used to issue citations to speeders in active school zones.

Final adoption of the ordinance will take place the next council meeting on Oct. 2. Residents can voice their concerns over the camera program to the council prior to it going into effect.

Councilwoman Emily Hoffman took the opportunity to address Mayor Jimmie Scott Sept. 5 with a concern over respectable behavior policies when public comments are being made.

Scott added that there needs to be respect and people can speak when called upon.

Public asks about assessment fee, roads

Public comments absorbed much of the council meeting. Resident Vyunda Strong addressed the council, asking for more than the allotted three minutes. Strong had attended the county commission meeting earlier in the day and voiced frustration over passing an increase in the solid waste assessment fee.

Strong asked council members if there was an interlocal agreement. Strong stated that in the past, Lawtey residents were exempt from paying this solid waste fee. Strong said, "We pay a fee for our trash to be picked up. Why will we be double paying?" Strong pressed the council to inquire about an exemption for Lawtey.

Another resident asked the council what it would take to have the water and sewer run beyond the prison, down County Road 200B. Clerk Lisa Harley said the sewer is run on a gravity system and that would not work at that distance. The resident replied by stating the prison has a lift station and wanted to know why that can't be done for the residents. Harley explained that the prison paid for their own pump station. Mayor Scott said they will look into adding that work into a future grant.

Resident Earl Barber brought up a question about the status of road work that desperately needs to be completed on First Street.

"I don't want y'all to think I'm a whiner, but the way my street is, I've got to whine," Barber said.

He said residents must zigzag all over the road just to avoid potholes, adding the road used to be properly maintained and the water drained off to the sides. Councilwoman Amy Blom responded to his concerns by saying she has asked Harley to contact the county road department to see if they can regrade the road. Blom said she is

working to find out about getting crushed concrete instead of lime rock for the road because of the washout from heavy rains. She assured Barber she is working on this issue.

Councilwoman Virginia Warner stated that the flooding and washing away of the road materials has a lot to do with a lack of drainage and ditches, especially for water running off C.R. 225 onto First Street. First Street runs parallel to the railroad tracks and portions of the street are owned by CSX transportation. Warner said she has called CSX and asked them to maintain the drainage around the tracks.

City Attorney Aaron Dukes stated that he can send a demand letter for CSX to maintain the easement, which the council approved.

A citizen from Carter Road addressed the council about new work that had been done on the road, which resulted in a huge, sagging patch. Harley said Swamp Cutters will be returning to repair a leak in the road and the repair should be fixed in a week.

Finance and department updates

When the council discussed the city financials, Hoffman asked about the \$500 discretionary fund. She also asked Harley about the monthly bill reports. Harley told Hoffman that all the bills are open to be viewed. Hoffman expressed concern with the way the reports are written and shared. Hoffman said she was confused why items such as the purchase of a new camera had come out of the general fund when it was supposed to come out of a specific department's funds. Hoffman asked how the council is supposed to know if each department is staying within budget when items are frequently listed as general fund. She requested clarity on these items. Harley said she can get the reports to her at any time.

Other financials discussed were the water fund, which has a \$75,970 surplus and the general fund has a \$118,813 surplus. A request was made for the purchase of new chairs for the city hall building; \$2000 was approved by the council for the purchase of chairs.

Blom discussed Streets and sanitation and said they received

no bids on the old trailer and mowers. The council agreed to lower the starting bid to \$1,500 and readvertise the equipment.

Falling trees are a huge concern for the city and there are currently 38 trees that are in urgent need of removal or trimming. The recent hurricane caused a large tree to fall on an automobile on Middleburg Road. The cost to remove the tree was \$3,500, but the funds may be reimbursed through the submitting of the insurance claim. Blom stated the removal of the trees are a top emergency concern because of hurricane season. The council agreed to get more bids and discuss the final tree removal costs at the budget hearings on Sept. 12 and 26 at 6 p.m.

Warner and Harley discussed water and sewer. Well pump number two needs to be replaced in the amount of \$13,750. The council approved the motion. Harley discussed the cost of \$1,984 for fire hydrant repairs. Warner made the motion to approve the payment to Johnson Control to begin the hydrant repair work. Council approved the motion.

Major Blom represented the police department in the absence of Chief Feltner. The department asked the council to approve the advertising and sale of the green and gold cars, formerly part of the fleet. The price was set at \$1,500 apiece.

Hoffman represented the fire department and presented issues with the flooring and the need for a new refrigerator and stove. Harley is awaiting a bid from Teal Tile. Hoffman motioned for up to \$2,500 for the purchase of the new appliances for the department. Council approved the motion.

Car show planned

Councilwoman Debra Norman and the recreation committee have plans to host a car show on Oct. 7 from 12-3 p.m. The car show will be held in the parking lot space from the Subway to the Barnyard Diner. The event is free, open to the public, and will have food vendors. The entrance fee is \$10 per vehicle and registration ends at 1:30 p.m. on the day of the event. There is no need for entrants to preregister.

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Lake Region

Superintendent defends district police department

BY JAMES WILLIAMS
Special to the Monitor

KEYSTONE HEIGHTS — Clay County Public Schools Superintendent David Broskie and his staff argued for the continuation of the school district's police department during an Aug. 29 workshop.

The district established the force in 2019 after the legislature passed the Marjory Stoneman Douglas Act, requiring school resource officers on every campus. In June 2023, school board member Erin Skipper recommended abolishing the district's police department, saying the Clay County Sheriff's Office could do the job better.

Skipper questioned the fiscal responsibility of paying for two law enforcement agencies when one could do the job, given that school officers still had to rely on the sheriff's office for arrests

and detention or when specialists such as sex crime investigators were needed. Two law enforcement systems got in the way of speedy communication in emergencies, Skipper argued. She also questioned the efficacy of LEOs answering to a school superintendent.

Misinformation

During an August 29 workshop, Superintendent David Broskie and his staff argued for the continued use of the school district's police department.

Dr. Michael Kemp, the district's Director of Facility Planning and Construction, addressed what he called misinformation about the district's current police force.

Kemp denied allegations that the department had not started the accreditation process or that

the department operates without a budget and is fiscally irresponsible.

"There's always misinformation out there, and it has to be vetted," he said.

Nor is it true, Kemp said, that school police officers do not receive the same level of training as Clay deputies.

Board member Mary Bolla had responded that though the school district's police department has yet to be accredited, the Orange Park and Green Cove Springs police departments haven't been accredited either. Middleburg and Keystone Heights have no police forces, relying on sheriff's office patrols.

School shooting prompts new law

Kemp said one result of the

2018 Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School Public Safety Act was that each school district was required to create and report to the state its response to the rising crises of gun violence in schools.

In response to that act, the school board set up an internal police department, requiring a school resource officer to be at all elementary, middle, and high schools, bell to bell, every school day, as the new legislation required.

Kemp said one of the strongest arguments for retaining the department is that the school district, not the sheriff's office, is legally responsible for students' safety.

"It's us," he told board members of who is responsible. "Regardless of how we execute the Marjorie Stoneman Douglas Act, it does not reduce our liability...in any way."

Kemp also claimed that if a

deputy was on duty at a school and an emergency occurred near the campus, the deputy would likely leave the school to respond to the emergency, leaving students unprotected.

History of protecting students

Kemp also covered the history of the school resource program. Immediately after the Douglas Act was enacted, the county discussed hiring 43 officers for 180 days, but having the school board alone foot the bill was cost-prohibitive, Kemp said.

In 2007, Clay schools had safety officers in eight junior and senior highs, with an average cost per officer of \$50,000.

From 2009 through 2018, the district had officers in the seven Clay high schools at an average cost of \$101,819 per officer.

Since 2018, resource officers have been stationed in junior high and elementary schools for 180 days for \$101,000 per officer.

After the Parkland shooting in 2018, the state contributed "safe school dollars," providing a safe school grant, but, to no one's surprise, Kemp said, it was yet another underfunded mandate.

The workshop was not held to reach conclusions or make decisions. The board did not take up the issue during its September 7 meeting. However, several members of the public spoke about their support of the school's police force. The final meeting to discuss the 2023-2024 School Board budget and millage assessments will be held on Thursday, Sept. 14.

The smartest small city in Florida

Keystone Heights reviews digital twin modeling

BY NATALIE GILSTRAP
Special to the Monitor

KEYSTONE HEIGHTS — The City of Keystone Heights looked to the future as it considered investing in software that would allow easier infrastructure management, such as asset monitoring, maintenance, and planning.

On August 21, the city council held a workshop in which Daniel Jones, Director of Geospatial Technologies at England, Thims & Miller, demonstrated the possibilities of what his engineering firm could do for the city through a computer model or a geographic information software program.

However, the application is expected to benefit the city such as saving time. Jones said the city can assess problems quicker with a smaller team without hiring additional staff.

Rutkowski added that the software could eliminate engineering costs the city now pays for roadway assessments.

"It's just a fantastic way to move forward and work smarter, not harder," Rutkowski said. "We can keep staff, we can take care of the staff that we have, and still be able to service our city in an appropriate manner."

Next steps

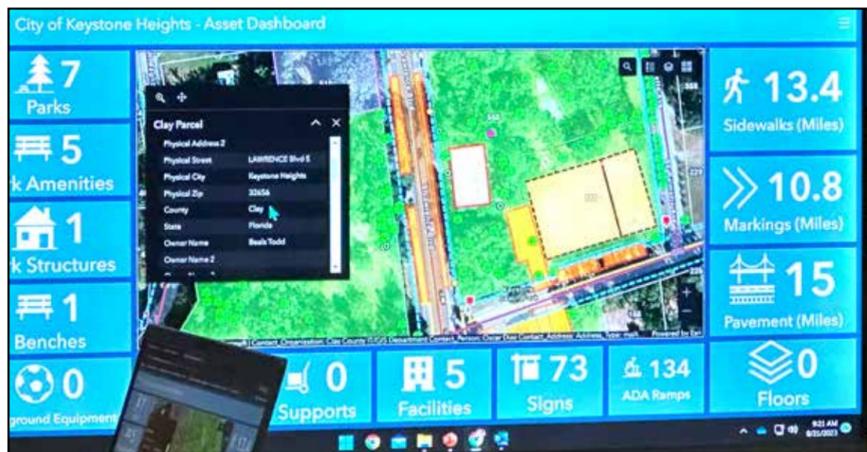
Currently, the City of Keystone Heights is working towards collecting additional data. Staff members are pouring through data and reviewing blueprints

focusing on the city's retention areas and drainage that will be included in the study. In addition, they are working with Clay Electric and the Clay County Utility Authority to gather more information. Once all the data has been collected, the council plans to have a completed study in December or early January.

"Once our study is done, they'll hand over a digital twin, and it will be as good as it is that day, but there is a hefty cost moving forward," Rutkowski said.

Council members plan to hold another meeting to discuss whether it should proceed with the project and any future steps needed.

"We're very, very excited, and the team is fantastic," Rutkowski said.



The digital twin model allows the city to track benches, light poles, garbage cans, roads, trees, road signs and markings, drainage inlets, and other infrastructure assets.

A virtual representation of the town

City Manager Lynn Rutkowski said the North Florida Transportation Organization funded Jones's initial work.

"Their goal is how to make Keystone Heights the smartest small city in Florida," she said of the Jacksonville-based transportation agency.

During the workshop, Jones showed the council similar projects existing in Jacksonville and the features and opportunities the city will have if they decide to move forward with the project.

He said a digital twin city is a virtual representation of the town and its assets, such as trees, parks, benches, and facilities. He added that the council can input its data and manage projects with the software. In addition, officials will be able to look at data, analysis, and visualizations such as aerial imagery. The city will also be able to use the software to manage its assets, such as machinery facilities, and gain valuable information.

"The idea is that we will have a digital twin that will have the asset management that we can pull up and look at everything at our fingertips, right inside city hall without going and driving," Rutkowski said.

In addition to the software's features, it will allow the city to monitor incoming calls regarding problems and track how often an issue is reported. The software will also be able to keep the city staff updated on the life expectancy and required maintenance of city assets. Lastly, the software will be secure enough to prevent people from hacking into it. It must be updated with new quarterly data to ensure it accurately represents the city.

The price tag

Although the TPO funded the initial cost of the study, Keystone Heights taxpayers would need to foot a \$58,000 fee to implement the software fully. Afterward, \$21,000 to \$23,000 would be required for maintenance in the next three years.

BUDGET SUMMARY

Bradford County Board of County Commissioners - Fiscal Year 2023-2024

* THE PROPOSED OPERATING BUDGET EXPENDITURES OF BRADFORD COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ARE 0.8% MORE THAN LAST YEAR'S TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURES.

GENERAL FUND 10.0000
SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS 0.0000

	GENERAL FUND	SPECIAL REVENUE	CAPITAL PROJECTS	TOTAL ALL FUNDS
ESTIMATED REVENUES:				
Taxes:	Millage Per \$1000			
Ad Valorem Taxes	10.0000	12,911,021.00	-	12,911,021.00
Sales & Use Taxes		3,696,476.00	1,359,625.00	5,056,101.00
Licenses & Permits		194,000.00	1,101,200.00	1,295,200.00
Intergovernmental Revenue		4,540,956.00	18,942,592.00	23,483,548.00
Charges for Services		50,000.00	5,617,734.00	5,667,734.00
Miscellaneous Revenues		64,100.00	63,460.00	127,560.00
Fines & Forfeitures		120,000.00	25,400.00	145,400.00
Other Sources		38,000.00	-	38,000.00
Less Reduction		(1,065,178.00)	(478,219.00)	(1,543,397.00)
TOTAL SOURCES		\$20,549,375.00	\$26,631,792.00	\$47,181,167.00
Transfers In		\$-	\$14,743,939.00	14,743,939.00
Fund Balances/Reserves/Net Assets		\$15,591,642.00	\$8,400,014.00	\$23,991,656.00
TOTAL REVENUES, TRANSFERS & BALANCES		\$36,141,017.00	\$49,775,745.00	\$85,916,762.00
EXPENDITURES				
General Government		\$17,451,258.00	\$366,361.00	17,817,619.00
Public Safety		110,530.00	13,129,078.00	13,239,608.00
Physical Environment		853,717.00	2,357,104.00	3,210,821.00
Transportation		-	16,294,361.00	16,294,361.00
Economic Environment		198,359.00	6,575,386.00	6,773,745.00
Culture/Recreation		114,387.00	1,734,036.00	1,848,423.00
Human Services		705,507.00	-	705,507.00
Other		-	-	-
Court Related		84,697.00	711,360.00	796,057.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		\$19,518,455.00	\$41,167,686.00	\$60,686,141.00
Transfers Out		\$16,622,562.00	\$8,608,059.00	25,230,621.00
Fund Balances/Reserves/Net Assets				
TOTAL APPROPRIATED EXPENDITURES				
TRANSFERS, RESERVES & BALANCES		\$36,141,017.00	\$49,775,745.00	\$85,916,762.00

THE TENTATIVE, ADOPTED, AND/OR FINAL BUDGETS ARE ON FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE ABOVE MENTIONED TAXING AUTHORITY AS A PUBLIC RECORD.

County line residents worry over proposed RV park

KEYSTONE HEIGHTS—Residents near the Clay-Putnam County line on State Road 100 say they are concerned about a proposed 20-acre RV park inside Putnam County.

According to a planned urban development application filed with the county, Bristol Oaks will consist of family-friendly RV sites, glamping sites, a dog park, a butterfly garden, venue space, and a camp store. The site will have direct access to the Palatka-to-Lake Butler State Trail, and the butterfly garden will be developed with the assistance of the University of Florida's Institute for Food and Agricultural Sciences. Wells will obtain water, and septic tanks will dispose of wastewater.

Susan Stanley said that since the project lies in Putnam County, she is concerned her Clay County neighbors will have little influence over officials who will decide the project's fate. She added that many of her neighbors were also not informed of public hearings about the park because the county only notified property owners by letter within 300 feet of the proposed project.

The first public hearing on the project will be before the Putnam County Planning and Development Commission on Wednesday, Sept. 13, at 4 p.m. Stanley said Clay County residents may address the commission about the park.

Daniels files to run for sheriff

KEYSTONE HEIGHTS—Former Clay County Sheriff Darryl Daniels has filed

paperwork to regain his old job. Daniels won the position in 2016 as a Republican. Michelle Cook beat Daniels four years later while the incumbent was entangled in a sex scandal. Last week, Daniels filed to run for the job with no party affiliation.

Daniels was arrested in 2020 following a year-long FDLE investigation into whether he illegally ordered the arrest of his mistress. However, in September 2022, a jury acquitted him of all charges after a three-day trial in Green Cove Springs.

Prosecutors had claimed that while sheriff in 2019, Daniels ordered deputies to arrest Cierra Smith for stalking him. He was charged with lying to law enforcement about the circumstances surrounding Smith's arrest and destroying evidence by deleting his Google account and attempting to wipe his agency phone clean of all

Super salutes KH schools

KEYSTONE HEIGHTS—Clay County Schools Superintendent David Broskie applauded Keystone Heights High School and McRae Elementary during the Sept. 7 school board meeting.

Broskie said the high school recorded a 19-point increase in the state civics exam.

"They went from 63 to 82," he said. "That's quite a jump."

The Superintendent added that school leadership attributed the increase to targeted instruction and a strong partnership with the district's social studies coach, Stephanie Navarro.

"Miss Navarro came out to Keystone every Tuesday," he said. "Numerous (professional learning community) work being done there: reviewing their data and targeting, getting instruction and interventions."

Broskie said McRae increased students' math proficiency by 6 points last year.

"I've been down to McCrae several times. As soon as you walk into McCrae, you sense an energy there," he said. "Part of that energy is (Principal) Tammy Winkler, (Assistant Principal) Miss (Tracy) Burt, and the whole crew there at McCrae."

The schools chief attributed McCrae's increase to educators working together and the school's attitude of seeking improvement for every student.

Aerobatics competition returning to airport

KEYSTONE HEIGHTS—The Snowbird Aerobatics competition will return to the Keystone Heights Airport in March 2024. Last year's event, produced by the Ocala chapter of the International Aerobatics Club, attracted 25 competitors, two in the unlimited division, which is the most difficult.

Chapter President Hector Ramirez said there are only around 20 unlimited pilots in the U.S., and around 12 compete in national competitions.

Ramirez added that the sport attracts a wide range of pilots. "We have flight instructors, we have airline pilots, we have crop dusters, we have the whole spectrum of pilots in our group," he said, "but this is the only time that they can compete by going upside down and knife edge and spinning the airplane and that sort of thing."

Legality of Bean's district headed to Supreme Court

KEYSTONE HEIGHTS—The case challenging the legality of Congressman Aaron Bean's district is headed to the Florida Supreme Court. The

first-term lawmaker was elected to Florida's 4th Congressional District in 2022 in a district that includes all of Clay and Nassau counties and the western portion of Duval.

Bean visited Keystone Heights last month to update constituents on legislative issues but did not address the pending litigation.

Leon County Circuit Judge J. Lee Marsh ruled the district unconstitutional. Voting rights groups had sued the state, claiming that when Gov. Ron DeSantis and the Florida Legislature redrew the district in 2022, they violated the 2010 Fair Districts constitutional amendment.

The district's redrawing in 2022 changed it from a black-majority district stretching from Jacksonville to Tallahassee into its current configuration.

Clay Electric: rates down 20%

KEYSTONE HEIGHTS—Clay Electric Cooperative said it is reducing its members' power cost in September. The utility said in a news release that members using the industry household average of 1,000 kWh of energy would pay \$120, a \$3 savings. The previous cost was \$123.

"This (power cost adjustment) reduction will mark the fourth time this year Clay Electric members have had a lower power bill; their cost of power has fallen nearly 20 percent since January," the co-op said.

Clay Electric said it can now lower the cost of power due to the decreasing price of natural gas, which Seminole Electric Cooperative, Clay's wholesale power provider, uses to generate a sizable portion of the wholesale electricity it provides Clay and eight other distribution cooperatives in Florida.

School uses tech to motivate students

KEYSTONE HEIGHTS—Keystone Heights Elementary School is using a new computer application to reward students' positive behavior. Under the PBIS Rewards program, teachers may award students positive behavior points through a mobile phone or desktop application, eliminating the need for paper tickets and recordkeeping.

"Our students can earn rewards throughout the day by meeting our behavioral expectations," the school said. "These rewards are in the form of electronic points. They can redeem these points for privileges, tangible items, access to events, and other similar things."

The school said it expects to see overall behavior improvements throughout the school and that the number of discipline referrals will decrease.

6th graders take unique approach to science

KEYSTONE HEIGHTS—Keystone Heights Elementary School sixth-grade students in Ms. Sanders' class recently built index card towers to learn about the laws of gravity, balance, and motion.

"Students collected measurements and data and charted the winning tower," the school said. "The highest tower was 39 inches."

KHES sixth graders also received instruction recently about the scientific method: claim, evidence, and reasoning. The school said students developed claims about why popcorn pops and then tested their reasoning that a temperature

change caused the reaction. "The students then ate the evidence," the school added.

Come out and dance on Sept. 30

This year, the annual Lakes Area Community Dance will be held at the Keystone Women's Club. With more room for dancing, a stage for the band, a kitchen and convenient bathrooms, more people will be able to participate. The popular rock-n-roll band, Crooked Counsel, will keep everyone moving. Drinks and snacks will be available.

Join in and dance for a cause! The address is 6747 Women's Club Drive, a couple of blocks uphill from S.R. 21 in Keystone Heights. The \$20 donation per ticket will go to the Democratic Women's Club of the Lakes Area, to provide funding for their Christmas family sponsorship and other projects. For tickets or information, text 352-240-5181.

Flea market rescheduled

American Legion Auxiliary Unit 230 is sponsoring a huge flea market on Saturday, Nov. 12, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at American Legion Post 230, 20370 E. Hawthorne Road in Hawthorne. Sign up now for a 15-by-15 booth space for \$15. A pancake and sausage breakfast will be served as well as lunch. For more information, please call 352-481-4483.

Boutique sale at Melrose church

Believer's Worship Center Church of God, 8736 S.R. 26 in Melrose, will hold a boutique sale on Saturday, Sept. 23 from 9 a.m. to noon.

NOTICE OF PROPOSED TAX INCREASE

The Bradford County Board of County Commission has tentatively adopted a measure to increase its property tax levy.

Last year's property tax levy:

- A. Initially proposed tax levy \$ 11,698,538
- B. Less tax reductions due to Value Adjustment Board and other assessment changes. \$(663,282)
- C. Actual property tax levy. \$12,361,820

This year's proposed tax levy. \$12,911,021

All concerned citizens are invited to attend a public hearing on the tax increase to be held on:

Monday, September 18, 2023
at 5:30 p.m.
in the County Commission Chambers
Bradford County Courthouse-North Wing
945 N. North Temple Avenue
Starke, FL 32091.

A FINAL DECISION on the proposed tax increase and the budget will be made at this hearing.

Protect your animals as well as yourself

BY JIM DEVALERIO
 UF/IFAS Union County Extension

Mosquito populations have soared recently. Needing only 7 to 10 days for a mosquito egg to mature into an adult, mosquitoes take full advantage of stagnant water breeding sites created by frequent rain events.

In addition to being a nuisance, mosquitoes can also transmit diseases such as the Eastern equine encephalitis (EEE) virus that can cause severe inflammation of the brain in horses and humans. The virus is contracted from a bird host by mosquitoes and then spread to a horse or human. It cannot be spread from an infected horse or human to another horse or human. Reference: <https://tinyurl.com/4jf8y3za>.

Be sure to vaccinate your horses and to take precautionary measures to reduce mosquito populations around the home. Protect yourself by practicing the 5 D's for prevention:

Dusk and Dawn (and sometimes Daytime)

Avoid being outdoors when mosquitoes are seeking blood. For many species of mosquitoes, this is during the dusk and dawn hours. However, container mosquitoes that are often found around homes, are daytime feeders.

Dress

Wear clothing that covers most of your skin.

DEET

Use a repellent containing DEET when exposure to mosquitoes is possible.

Drainage

Mosquitoes lay eggs in water. Inspect the area around the home to rid the area of standing water breeding sites. Efforts to eliminate mosquito breeding sites should include: cleaning out eaves and gutters, drill holes in or remove old tires, turn over empty or plastic pots, check tarps on boats or other equipment that may hold water, pump out bilges on boats, replace bird bath water at least once a week, empty water in plant trays and hanging baskets at least once

a week, remove vegetation or obstructions in drainage ditches that prevent the water flow and clear out thick brush to increase airflow around the home.

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Five ways to help honeybees

National Honeybee Day was Aug. 19, and there are many ways to support the powerhouse pollinators.

"Honeybees are critically important to our food supply," said Amy Vu, UF/IFAS Extension state specialized agent in the Honeybee Research and Extension Laboratory (HBREL). The lab celebrates five years on the Gainesville campus this month.

"Here in Florida, we also host migratory hives from around the country for overwintering, when many other states no longer have flowers in bloom," Vu said. "Florida has the second largest number of honeybee colonies in the United States. This makes bees in our state important for food grown nationwide."

Below, Vu offers five steps anyone can take to help nearby honeybee colonies thrive.

1. Plant a pollinator garden

Floridians can choose plants that flower at different times of the year. The UF/IFAS Extension Master Gardener Volunteer Program recommends having at least three plants in bloom at any given point in the year. The bees aren't picky, either, and container gardening will do for those with limited space. Learn more about "Gardening for Bees": go.ufl.edu/GardeningForBees.

2. Minimize the use of harsh pesticides

Only use pesticides when and where needed and follow all labeled instructions. Products that are hazardous to honeybees must state so on the label, per a UF/IFAS Extension peer-reviewed publication from Vu and other experts. Discover more information in the "Minimizing Honeybee Exposure to Pesticides" article on Ask IFAS: edis.ifas.ufl.edu/IN1027.

3. Provide a water source

Honeybees need water, too! Think about leaving out a shallow dish where your pollinator visitors frequent. Just be sure to refresh the water source at least every five days to prevent mosquitoes from enjoying it as a breeding ground, as well.

4. Support the HBREL or join your local and state beekeepers' association

The HBREL supports beekeepers – from the backyard colony to large commercial operations – with research and educational opportunities year-round. Sponsors can support programming and research through different donation levels to "adopt a bee," "adopt a queen" or "adopt a hive" by visiting UFgive.to/AdoptaHive.

The lab also connects with the Florida State Beekeepers Association and maintains a list of county-level clubs statewide. Joining a group with neighboring beekeepers can lead to local advocacy and support for honeybees.

5. Learn how to keep bees

HBREL has all the introduction you need to get started. Listen to over a hundred episodes of "Two Bees in a Podcast," covering topics from infectious diseases to cottage food laws for honey sales, and so much in between. The lab also offers a variety of online courses through their Master Beekeeper Program and bee-Learning short courses.

For in-person instruction, the lab hosts two hands-on Bee College multi-day events each year, one in Gainesville and a second alternates travel to the Panhandle or South Florida. The next Bee College is in Davie on Aug. 18-19.

Let's Talk About It

Come join the Let's Talk About It Club every third Thursday of each month at 11 a.m. at Macedonia Free Will Baptist Church, 2496 Lake St. in Lawtey. Mark your calendar for the next gathering. Everyone is invited.

UNION COUNTY



VFW members, ready to serve their guests on Patriots Day 2023. Pictured are: (back, l-r) Art Rix, Eric Carroll, Post Commander Willie Wright, Bobby Reeves and "Pops" Brandt; (front, l-r) Barbara Fischer, Margaret Reeves, Rebekka Elixson and Annie Pittman.

Patriots Day at Lake Butler VFW

BY TRACY LEE TATE
Special to the Times

LAKE BUTLER—VFW Post 10082 held its annual Patriots Day luncheon on Monday, Sept. 11, providing lunch to any first responders and others in the community who are on hand during emergencies.

Union County Sheriff's Office deputies and the sheriff himself were joined by fire and EMS

staff, city and county road, solid waste, public works employees, and RMC outside grounds crew members.

Forty-one lunches were served, which included fried chicken, potato salad, baked beans, dinner rolls, and desserts. The event provided both eat-in and carry-out meals.

Serving meals were Art Rix, Eric Carroll, Post Commander Willie Wright, Bobby Reeves,

"Pops" Brandt, Barbara Fischer, Margaret Reeves, Rebekka Elixson and Annie Pittman.

The luncheon was to thank and honor people who make their living being where they are needed when they are needed. It has been an annual event for the Post for several years, just one of their community service and outreach efforts throughout the year.

Husband-wife teams fill Raiford municipal seats

BY TRACY LEE TATE
Special to the Times

RAIFORD — The City of Raiford will not hold an election on Oct. 10 because only one person qualified for each seat.

At the time of qualifying, the offices of mayor and all five city council seats were up for re-election.

When qualifying was over, only one candidate qualified for each seat, so they were automatically the winners.

Long-time Mayor Lamar Griffis will retain his office, as will his wife, Councilwoman Sheila Benita Griffis.

Randal Griffis is again a council member, as are Sheryldere Richard and Deana Myers.

The new face on the council, filling the empty seat, is Vivian Darlene Griffis, wife of council member Randal Griffis.



Raiford Councilwoman Sheryldere Richard



Raiford Councilwoman Deana Myers

All will officially be sworn in for their new terms on Wednesday, Oct. 11. The mayor's annual salary is \$3,601.68, or about \$300.60 monthly. Council members make \$2,493.48 a year, or about \$207.70 monthly.

School revenues and expenses up

BY TRACY LEE TATE
Special to the Times

District Finance Director Renae Prevatt said school district revenues and expenses are up for the coming year over the 2022-2023 budget.

Last year's federal funds, including special revenue CARES Act funds in the amount of \$1,585,804, totaled \$3,990,700, while for the coming fiscal year, the total is \$6,857,304, with \$3,575,513 in special revenue funds from the CARES Act, and ESSER and ARP.

These funds will go away in the coming year and are not expected to be renewed. Depending on the funding source's requirements, all must be expended and drawn by either June 30, 2024, or Sept. 30, 2024.

State funds are also up for the 2023-24 budget year to \$19,258,741 from the previous year's figure of \$17,802,770. Local funding is also up, with \$3,927,911 for the new year, increasing over last year's figure of \$2,182,314.

These revenue sources, combined with transfers in and fund balances, total \$35,073,963, up from the previous year's total of \$30,266,395.

According to Prevatt, expenditures are up in all areas, mainly associated with employee costs.

Instruction: salaries for teachers and related staff is the single largest line item in budgeted expenditures and shows the most significant increase over 2022-2023.

Last year, it cost the district \$13,352,624 to pay its instructional staff. For the 2023-24 fiscal year, the forecast is \$16,006,655, due in part to a pay raise approved in the 22-23 budget year to align the district with what instructional staff is being paid in other nearby districts.

One plus for the district is that, for the first time in 15 years, it will not be making Qualified Zone Academy Bond payments, as these were completed in the 22-23 fiscal year.

Join UCHS Homecoming Parade

Union County Highschool's Homecoming Parade will be on Friday, Oct. 6. The lineup for the parade will be at 10 a.m. at Sprinkle Field. The parade will start at 12 p.m. If you are interested in participating in the parade, the paperwork is

available on the UCHS Facebook page, or you can pick up a copy from the front office of the high school. The deadline for paperwork to be submitted is Wednesday, Sept. 27.

Kids' Bible program at Providence Baptist

Providence Village Baptist Church's FBI (Faithful Bible Investigators) kids program

will meet on Wednesdays from 6-7 p.m. beginning on Sept. 13. Classes available for 4 years old through youth. There will be Bible study, games and lots of fun so please join us!

The church is located at 4504 W. SR. 238 near Lake Butler (downtown Providence).

National Lifeline Awareness Week



Raiford Councilwoman Benita Griffis and Mayor Lamar Griffis.



Raiford Councilwoman Vivian Darlene Griffis and Councilman Randal Griffis, Sr.

The Florida Public Service Commission is participating in National Lifeline Awareness Week, Sept. 11-15. Lifeline makes communications services more affordable for low-income residents by providing a \$9.25 monthly discount on qualifying monthly telephone service, broadband internet service or bundled voice-broadband packages.

To be eligible for Lifeline, consumers must have a household

income at or below 135% of the federal poverty guidelines, or participate in one of these federal assistance programs:

- Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP).
- Medicaid.
- Supplemental Security Income (SSI).
- Federal Public Housing Assistance (FPHA).
- Veterans and Survivors Pension Benefit.
- Live on federally-

recognized Tribal lands and participate in one of these Tribal Programs.

More information on Lifeline program eligibility is on the Federal Communications Commission's website, www.fcc.gov/lifeline-consumers.

BUDGET SUMMARY

City of Starke - Fiscal Year 10/1/2023 - 9/30/24

General Fund 4.8754

Estimated Revenues	GENERAL FUND	SPECIAL REVENUE	ENTERPRISE FUND	TOTAL ALL FUNDS
Taxes: Millage per \$1000				
Ad Valorem Taxes 4.8754	\$1,167,420			\$1,167,420.00
Local Option, Use, & Fuel Taxes	\$787,005	\$346,227		\$1,133,232.00
Utility Services Taxes	\$325,330			\$325,330.00
Communication Services Taxes	\$142,366			\$142,366.00
Local Business Taxes	\$17,233			\$17,233.00
Permits, Fees, and Special Assessments	\$201,970			\$201,970.00
Intergovernmental Revenues	\$663,897		\$20,300,000	\$20,963,897.00
Charges For Services	\$19,021		\$12,175,978	\$12,194,999.00
Judgements, Fines, And Forfeits	\$37,773			\$37,773.00
Miscellaneous Revenues	\$213,521	\$104,039	\$181,484	\$499,044.00
Other Sources			\$1,387,207	\$1,387,207.00
Total Sources	\$3,575,536	\$450,266	\$34,044,669	\$38,070,471.00
Transfers In	\$100,000			\$100,000.00
Fund Balances / Reserves / Net Assets	\$500,000	\$793,382	\$1,365,178	\$2,658,560.00
TOTAL REVENUES, TRANSFERS & BALANCES	\$4,175,536	\$1,243,648	\$35,409,847	\$40,829,031.00
EXPENDITURES				
General Government	\$1,196,541			\$1,196,541.00
Public Safety	\$2,144,474			\$2,144,474.00
Physical Environment			\$35,309,847	\$35,309,847.00
Transportation		\$243,648		\$243,648.00
Culture / Recreation	\$334,521			\$334,521.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$3,675,536	\$243,648	\$35,309,847	\$39,229,031.00
Transfers Out			\$100,000	\$100,000.00
Fund Balances / Reserves / Net Assets	\$500,000	\$1,000,000		\$1,500,000.00
TOTAL APPROPRIATED EXPENDITURES				
TRANSFERS, RESERVES & BALANCES	\$4,175,536	\$1,243,648	\$35,409,847	\$40,829,031.00

The tentative, adopted, and / or final budgets are on file in the office of the above referenced taxing authority as a public record.

Starke electric staying competitive

BY MARK J. CRAWFORD
Telegraph Editor

STARKE – Oppressive heat certainly resulted in some high electric bills for those seeking the refrigerated refuge of an air-conditioned home.

The city of Starke is touting reasonable costs, however. A survey of municipal electric utilities in June placed Starke second behind Bartow for the lowest municipal power cost in Florida. In July, Williston was in first place, and Starke was in third place.

At \$105.47 for 1,000 kilowatt-hours of electricity in June and \$107.01 in July, Starke's power costs were far behind the investor-owned utilities and power cooperatives listed. Florida Power and Light, for example, was above \$136 in June and \$132.50 in July.

City commercial customers paid \$356.11 for 2,500 kWh compared to \$377.93 for Florida Power and Light, according to the city.

The figures are compiled by the Florida Municipal Electric Association, a trade association representing municipally owned utilities. The report lists residential costs for power at 1,000, 1,200 and 2,500 kWh.

As residential usage increases, so does the rate Starke charges. Above 1,000 kWh, the rate exceeds 9 cents per kWh, which is even a bit higher than the city's commercial rate. So, using June, a residential customer would have paid \$131.42 for 1,200 kWh and \$303.82 for 2,500 kWh. A 20% increase in usage was about 25% more in cost, and a 150% increase in usage was about 188% more in cost.

As the customer uses more power, Starke becomes less competitive, but certainly remains on the lower end of the 33 municipal utilities surveyed. As for FPL, it was more than \$50 higher for 2,500 kWh.

According to the city, it remains competitive by being a member and part-owner of the Florida Municipal Power Agency, a consortium of 33 public utilities across Florida serving millions of customers.

"Founded by the Florida Legislature in 1978, the Florida Municipal Power Agency was formed allowing individual public electric companies to join together in finding innovative ways to provide reliable power at a competitive price," according to a recent explanation distributed by the city.

City Clerk Jimmy Crosby served as a commissioner in the 1980s.

"Not many remember the 1979 Energy Crisis and Oil Embargo. Oil prices had doubled between April 1979 and April 1980. At that time the city of Starke was totally reliant on five oil burning generators in our downtown power plant. What was a national crisis hit our small electric company even that much harder," Crosby said.

"It soon became clear that in the energy market we would have to diversify our energy source if we were to remain competitive with the privately held independents and rural co-ops."

"I guess the biggest problem we've had is fighting myths with facts," Mayor Scott Roberts said. "We follow the rates pretty close, and as June demonstrates, we are very competitive with both the private sector like FPL and even with the co-ops."

There have been times when natural gas prices have driven electric costs through the roof and even caused the city to rethink its involvement with FMPA. After the agency was called out in 2015 for its high salaries, expenses and general bad practices, there was a change in leadership. Roberts said it led to "dramatic turnaround."

Starke has stepped into its role as part-owner and is more hands on at the agency than in the past. City Manager Drew Mullins serves on the FMPA Board of Directors and the Executive Committee.

"Much of what we do is monitoring trends and government policies to ensure the FMPA members have low cost, reliable power," said Mullins.

According to the city, the FMPA board has set some priorities in response to federal regulations promoting green energy. The agency will advocate for an abundant natural gas supply and pipeline expansions, and begin engaging in discussions to explore viable nuclear resource opportunities. A solar farm was also announced for Bradford County.

"In order to meet new green energy centric federal regulations, FMPA and the member cities must look at alternative power generation to maintain low-cost power to rate payers whether that's natural gas, solar or nuclear," Mullins said.

Updated billing software is offering some new features to Starke customers in the meantime.

"For the first time, customers can compare their bills month by month, year by year through our website," Crosby said.

Customers can access their accounts by going to www.cityofstarke.org and clicking "Pay Your Bill" followed by "Click Here to Pay Your Utility Bill." Users then follow the directions listed on the site to access their account. The software displays a pie chart that shows a percentage breakdown of water, sewer, electric and natural gas charges. Clicking "Bill Totals by Month" allows a customer to see the monthly bills for the year and then compare.

Lawtey principal recognized

The Bradford County School District said Lawtey Elementary School Principal Terry O'Quinn was recognized as a resilient leader.

"Resilience means coming back after challenges or setbacks, and Mrs. O'Quinn certainly did that, leading her staff to an amazing academic year in 2022-2023," the district said.

O'Quinn holds a doctorate in education from Saint Leo University and served as an assistant principal and teacher in Putnam County before coming to Bradford.



Lawtey Elementary School Principal Terri O'Quinn. Photo: Bradford County School District.

BMS Student Spotlight

Bradford Middle School spotlighted Tornado Tremeze White for his show of great citizenship. "In class he was very helpful to a new student that was having a hard time seeing the board, and he shared his notes. On another occasion, he assisted a student in cleaning up her pencil shavings that dropped." According to the school, Tremeze is always smiling and encouraging to others.



Starke reconsiders tax increase

BY MARK J. CRAWFORD
Telegraph Editor

STARKE — Starke commissioners reversed a property tax rate increase prior to voting on its tentative budget.

A final budget discussion was planned for the commission's regular meeting on Sept. 5 prior to the first budget hearing on Sept. 7.

In a split vote, the commission previously proposed increasing the tax rate from 4.8754 mills to 5.4935 mills. This would have raised an additional \$230,000 to split between the police and fire departments.

Commissioner Shannon Smith later signaled he would join Mayor Scott Roberts and Commissioner Janice Mortimer in voting to retain the prior tax rate if more could not be done to raise staffing at the fire department.

Mortimer moved to base the budget for 2023-24 on the same tax rate as the current year, and Smith seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

Because they adopted the same tax rate instead of the rolled-back rate, those whose property values increase will see some increase in their tax bills as well. The current rate was 4.17% higher than the rolled-back rate.

At the brief budget hearing on Sept. 7, both the tentative tax rate and budget were approved. The final adoption hearing will take place Tuesday, Sept. 19, at 5:30 p.m.

The total budget is more than \$40.8 million, with the enterprise (utility) fund making up \$35.4 million of that. This number is inflated because of \$16.3 million in USDA bond funds for the wastewater treatment plant improvements and \$5.3 million from the State Revolving Fund

for the first phase of the sewer collection system improvements.

The \$4.175 million general fund is down from \$6.4 million and includes \$500,000 in reserves for contingency for potential grant-related projects or other unexpected costs.

This year the city budgeted \$1.79 million for law enforcement. That has dropped to \$1.05 million with cuts made primarily to personnel costs. The fire department budget was also cut from \$1.59 million to \$1.04 million.

As a result, budgeted transfers to the general fund from the utility fund have dropped from \$837,000 to \$100,000.

The \$1.24 million special revenue fund for transportation is down from \$1.96 million after expenses this year left less funding to carry forward. There is \$1 million set aside for paving.

NOTICE OF PROPOSED TAX INCREASE

FY 2023-2024

The City of Starke has tentatively adopted a measure to increase its property tax levy.

Last year's property tax levy:

- A. Initially proposed tax levy \$1,145,210
- B. Less: tax reductions due to Value Adjustment Board and other assessment changes \$8,906
- C. Actual property tax levy \$1,136,304

This year's proposed tax levy \$1,228,863

All concerned citizens are invited to attend a public hearing on the tax increase to be held on

DATE: Tuesday, September 19, 2023

TIME: 5:30 p. m.

PLACE: City Hall Commission Chambers
209 N Thompson Street

TOWN: Starke, FL 32091

A FINAL DECISION on the proposed tax increase and the budget will be made at this hearing.

Dougherty appointed to two FAC policy committees

Bradford County Commissioner Chris Dougherty was appointed as a policy leader to the Florida Association of Counties' Health, Safety and Justice Policy Committee as well as the Agriculture and Rural Affairs Policy Committee.

The policy leaders were appointed by the association's president, Bill Truex of Charlotte County. FAC's Policy Committees are responsible for proposing, debating and adopting policy positions that focus on improving and preserving Florida's counties.

The Health, Safety and Justice Committee deals with public policies that encompasses the following:
—Behavioral and Mental Health.
—Healthcare and Human Services Funding.
—Healthcare and Human

Services Policy.
—Emergency Medical Services.
—Law Enforcement, Juvenile Justice and Corrections.
—Substance Use Disorder Prevention and Treatment.
—Emergency Management.
—Emergency Communication.
—Judiciary – Article V.

The Agriculture and Rural Affairs Committee deals with public policies that encompasses the following:
—Agriculture.
—Rural Development Programs.
—Rural Infrastructure.
—Rural Housing.
—Fiscally Constrained Counties
—Food Access.
"The success of the association, and by extension Florida counties, relies heavily

on the role played by our policy committees," shares FAC President Bill Truex. "I took careful time and consideration when choosing this year's appointments and I am confident that each leader's invaluable expertise will be an asset to accurately represent the diverse needs of our state."

In his role as policy leader, Dougherty will hold a committee position for the duration of one year. Throughout his term, he will work closely with FAC's executive committee to develop and recommend a statewide legislation platform for issues within their committee's jurisdiction. These platforms will serve as a guide in shaping the associations' priorities for the upcoming 2024 Legislative Session.

Medicare classes offered online

SHINE offers virtual classes on Medicare basics, prescription drug coverage, Medicare Part C, long-term care planning and

more. Visit www.floridashine.org to view the schedule, register and explore information on the latest scams.

Medicare open enrollment is Oct. 15 – Dec. 7. For more information, you may also contact Elder Options at 1-800-262-2243 or visit www.agingresources.org.

LB VFW hosts bingo

Lake Butler VFW Post 10082 has bingo on Thursdays at 7 p.m. The VFW is located off C.R. 231 just outside of Lake Butler. Look for the sign on the left (coming from town).

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

Brittney Alfonso, 37, of Lake Butler was arrested by Starke Police on September 5 for an out-of-county warrant.

Frank Alan Brown, 42, of Middleburg was arrested by Starke Police on September 5 for a probation violation.

Mark Lafayette Burts, 52, of Melrose was arrested by Bradford deputies on September 7 for a probation violation.

Stephen Wade Crews, 32, of Starke was arrested by Bradford deputies on September 6 for possession of drugs, possession of drug equipment, and aggravated battery.

Joey Ervin Daugherty, 39, of Starke was arrested by Bradford deputies on September 6 for a probation violation.

Jamie Cheyenne Griffis, 20, of Starke was arrested on September 3 for battery.

Bryant Darold Hunter, 51, of Lawtey was arrested by Starke Police on September 8 for battery.

Christian Devone Lee Kates, 31, of Starke was arrested on September 2 for battery and criminal mischief with property damage.

Christopher Richard Kimbrell, 24, of Starke was arrested by Bradford deputies on September 5 for a conditional release violation.

Daniel Wyatt Manning, 29, of Lawtey was arrested on September 8 for battery.

Brandon Michael Miller, 27, of Alachua was arrested by Bradford deputies on September 7 for a probation violation.

Joshua Bruce Norris, 34, of Lawtey was arrested by Starke Police on September 8 for battery and simple assault.

Seth Michael Norviel, 45, of Starke was arrested on September 2 for battery, a conditional release violation and obstructing justice.

Crystal Brielle Pinckney, 29, of Starke was arrested on September 8 for arson.

Zodia Sadie Robbins, 33, of Lawtey was arrested by Bradford

deputies on September 6 for aggravated battery.

Brian Lee Voss, 54, of Starke was arrested on September 2 for probation violations.

Kyle Ray Warren, 32, of Deltona was arrested by Bradford deputies on September 8 for a probation violation.

Colton Wesley White, 21, of Starke was arrested on September 8 for resisting an officer.

Union

Lauren Ashley Bradford, 34, of Lake City was arrested by Union deputies on September 7 for a probation violation.

Openella Deloris Jordan, 57, of Lake Butler was arrested by Union deputies on September 11 for a probation violation.

Chad Dean Smiley, 42, of Lake City was arrested by Union deputies on September 7 for a probation violation.

Jerry Edward Osteen, 31, of Lake Butler was arrested by Union deputies on September 6 for a probation violation.

William Marshall Warren, 38, of Tallahassee was arrested by Union deputies on September 6 for failure to appear.

T.J., Alan Waters, 39, of Lake Butler was arrested by Union deputies on September 5 for possession of a weapon or ammunition by a convicted felon and on September 6 for stalking.

Kathrine Marie Wyatt, 39, of Lake Butler was arrested by Union deputies on September 6 for trespassing.

Clay

Christopher Trent James Gilstrap, 23, of Keystone Heights was arrested by Clay deputies on September 7 for trespassing.

Derrick Byron Nicholls, 22, of Keystone Heights was arrested on September 8 by Clay deputies for assault and battery during a burglary.

Walmart settles with slip-and-fall plaintiff

STARKE Walmart reached an out-of-court settlement with a woman just before the case was to go to trial, according to the Bradford County clerk's office.

Attorneys for Linda Jones said their client slipped on a grape in the bread aisle of the retailer's Starke location in August 2019. The details of the settlement were unavailable.

According to court papers, the plaintiff claimed two witnesses saw Jones slip on the crushed grape and that a Walmart employee admitted to seeing some kind of residue on the floor after the incident. Walmart claimed in court papers that the

plaintiff was negligent by failing to watch where she was going and failing to pay attention to her surroundings. "Without the plaintiff's negligence," lawyers for the retailer wrote in a pre-trial statement, "she would have seen the grape on the floor and not stepped on it."



Bennett

Spaghetti stain sends man to prison for 5 years

STARKE—A 50-year-old Starke man was sentenced to five years in prison after his original denial of felony battery collapsed due to a spaghetti stain on his shorts.

Calbren Leon Bennett was arrested on July 16 for felony battery and pleaded to the offense on Sept. 6, in addition to a probation violation.

According to an arrest report, the victim told deputies Bennett came to her front porch claiming the two needed to talk about an event that occurred two days prior.

"I have been drinking, and you have been drinking. I don't want you here," replied the victim, wrote Deputy Wyatt Konkel in the report.

Konkel added that the victim said Bennett followed her back into the home, stopping at a doorway and repeating, "We need to talk."

When the woman refused, Bennett grabbed a plate of spaghetti from the victim's lap and hurled it against a wall.

He then pinned the woman against a bed using both of his hands.

"(The victim) tucked her legs underneath herself and pushed Calbren down on the ground using her legs," wrote Konkel. "(She) got up and got in Calbren's face and told him to leave multiple more times."

The defendant then left. Konkel wrote that he questioned Bennett at his home off County Road 100A near the Clay County line.

Bennett initially claimed he had been at his house all day. When Konkel asked him about a bruise on his arm, the defendant replied that he fell off a ladder.

"I asked Calbren if he dropped food on him due to him having what looked like spaghetti sauce on his shorts," Konkel reported, "but Calbren didn't answer the question."

The defendant then confessed to being at the woman's home.

"Calbren stated that it was just 'two drunk people being stupid,'" Konkel wrote. "Calbren stated that (the victim) gets violent sometimes, and that's how he got the mark on his elbow."

When the deputy asked Bennett if he went inside the woman's home, the defendant initially said no, but later said yes.

"When he was asked about the plate being thrown inside the residence," the deputy wrote, "Calbren stated that (the victim) is the one that threw the plate, not him."



Beville

Pulled knife on deputy, trapped woman in bathroom

STARKE—A Graham man who pulled a knife on a deputy and threatened to kill a woman was sentenced to five years' probation.

Chace Jeremy Beville, 40, pleaded to felony battery- repeat offender and resisting an officer without violence.

Beville was already serving a one-year jail sentence on separate offenses. His probation period will begin after he completes his jail term.

According to a July 4 arrest report, the victim told a deputy that she and the defendant were in a verbal argument when Beville threatened to kill her. The victim added that Beville also trapped her in a bathroom and "grabbed her left arm, and she could feel her body being jerked about."

When Deputy Anthony Drew arrived at the couple's River Bend Estates home, he found the defendant outside, next to a truck.

When Drew ordered the defendant to show the deputy his hands, Beville armed himself with a knife and fled into the woods.

A Department of Corrections tracking dog located the 40-year-old approximately 2.3 miles west of where the incident occurred.

The defendant's previous arrest occurred on April 23 after Beville pushed the victim to the ground, grabbed her by the neck

and hair, and dragged her across a porch. The victim told deputies that Beville attacked her so he could take possession of their child.

When deputies located the defendant in a nearby pickup, he was seated in the truck with the child in his lap.



Davy

Dogs nearly malnourished to death

STARKE—A 52-year-old Starke woman was sentenced to 10 years' probation and ordered not to own or care for animals after pleading to six counts of animal cruelty.

Tracy Denise Davy was also ordered to complete 960 community service hours and an online animal cruelty prevention and education program.

According to a Jan. 26 arrest report, the owner of a Thomas Street residence called police after being told that a dog was inside the owner's rental property.

"The owner advised there shouldn't be anyone in the residence due to (the tenant) being evicted," wrote reporting officer David Clancy Jr. in the report.

Clancy added that he drove to the Thomas Street lot to investigate.

"After I knocked, I could hear a dog barking from inside the residence," he wrote. "After locating the dog inside the residence, I found three more dogs on the property that were chained up. The dogs did not have any shelter, food, or water near their area."

The officer called Bradford County Animal Control to the scene.

"Animal Control advised that the three dogs were malnourished to the point they could possibly die from this act," Clancy wrote. "Animal Control had to use equipment to cut the chains off around the dogs' necks to get them free. Three more dogs were located

inside the residence and were showing signs of malnourishment to the point of possible death. The

dogs were to the point you could see their bones from underneath their skin.

3 years for removing ankle monitor

STARKE—A Lake Butler man on community control was sentenced to 38 months in prison for removing an ankle monitor and leaving it in the middle of U.S. 301 in Starke.

Isaiah Tylor Banks, 36, pleaded to tampering with an electronic monitoring device and to probation violations.

Banks was initially sentenced to two years of community control followed by three years' probation in 2022 for domestic battery and retaliating against a witness.

According to court papers, Banks grabbed a woman by the throat and punched her in the face. A deputy said that while on the phone with the victim, he heard a male in the background, later identified as the defendant, threaten to kill the caller.

Tag seized, passenger arrested

LAKE BUTLER—Union deputies seized the tag off a woman's car and arrested her passenger during a Worthington Springs traffic stop on Sept. 4.

Deputy Eli C. Rogers wrote in an arrest report that he followed a blue Toyota while on patrol and reported its tag to dispatch. A communications officer told him the registered owner of the Toyota had an invalid license. After pulling the car over at the Stop Store, the officer verified that the driver's license was invalid. He seized the tag and told the woman to arrange a ride for herself and her children.

Rogers also ran the driver's license of a passenger in the Toyota: 33-year-old Juan Carlos Cortes of Lake Butler. Dispatchers told the deputy Cortes had outstanding warrants in Alachua and Gilchrist Counties.

Deputies: Two tried to cash fraudulent checks at Spires

LAKE BUTLER—According to an arrest report, Union County deputies arrested two Gainesville men after they attempted to cash fraudulent checks at Lake Butler's Spires IGA.

Brandon Lenard Washington, 26, and Kalvin Donnell Bryant, 32, were both arrested for uttering a forged instrument.

Deputies said the pair tried to cash checks from two Gainesville businesses: a \$781.12 check from Aramark and a \$623.38 check from CCS Construction Staffing. Officers also briefly detained a third person with the two men but determined she had no ties to the forged checks. Spires trespassed all three from its property.

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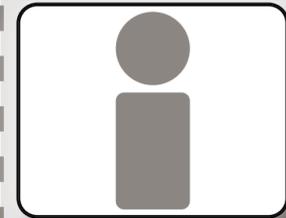


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When a beloved pet is considered a family member, choosing a veterinarian is as important as choosing a pediatrician, and the “pet parent” will want to make sure that the doctor they choose will understand and respect their feelings about their four-legged companion.

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

Dr. 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.

Dr. 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 — and since last year, as the full-time veterinarian and medical director.

When Sailor sold the practice in 2018 to Alliance Animal Health, Price was invited to continue and eventually to be in charge. She said she jumped at the chance. After all those years being in Starke, she came to appreciate and adore the

area, the community and the 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.

Dr. Price is originally from Clarksburg, WV. She graduated as a Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (DVM) from Tuskegee University in 1999. She has been a practicing veterinarian for 24 years. That does not mean she has stopped learning her craft. Price recently completed a rigorous course of study in Chinese veterinary medicine, including herbal, dietary, acupressure and acupuncture treatments.

These techniques are holistically integrated with conventional veterinary medicine and offer additional wellness options when dealing with pets — especially helpful when the use of pharmaceutical medications is not the best approach (such as in the case of allergies or an animal with multiple health issues in which standard treatments might interact badly).

After an initial exam and assessment, a typical acupuncture treatment can take about one hour in duration with about three treatments one month apart. Dr. Price said that she prefers the pet owner to be on hand to help keep the animal feeling calm and secure.

As with their standard pet care, all such treatments through Dr. Price are certified and approved through the American Animal Hospital Association (AAHA).

“I have spent the past years building a strong relationship with all of my clients and I think this is part of the reason many have been so open to many of the new techniques I am offering,” Price said.

“The calm atmosphere, along with affection and treats, serve

to give our patients a positive experience while visiting the office,” Price said. “This reduces the anxiety that they feel both on that visit and ones in the future. It serves to make the visits less stressful for everyone and makes it easier for the owners to get their pets here with minimal fuss.”

Pet parents are not left out of the treats — all are offered coffee or water and shown that their visit to the practice is appreciated.

Another challenge that Dr. Price and her staff are glad to help clients deal with is the cost of veterinary care. While the popular Paw Club has been temporarily discontinued due to fluctuations in the cost of equipment and supplies, the practice is pleased to offer information about pet medical insurance which, for a monthly amount, can greatly help in reducing the owners out of pocket costs.

“We work very hard to provide real quality of life for our patients and to give them a caring, helping hand,” Price said. “This is just another way we have of keeping Dr. Sailor’s legacy here at the office.”

Dr. Price’s practice specializes in and focuses on the treatment of dogs and cats, although she admits she likes to treat “the occasional chicken” as time allows. She drives an hour each way every day to care for her patients.

In addition to access by phone during office hours, at (904) 964-6411, the practice has a website, tncvet.net, where clients can find links to book appointments and order medications like flea and tick treatment, often at a substantial savings.

Town and Country Veterinary Clinic is located at 1051 S. Water St. in Starke. Clinic hours are from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, with the clinic closed for lunch from 1-2 p.m.

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Legal Notices

Legals for the week of Sept. 14, 2023

BRADFORD

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR BRADFORD COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO: 04-2023-CP-047
PROBATE DIVISION

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF DORIS LEE SANDBERG, DECEASED.

FORMAL NOTICE TO CREDITORS
The administration of the estate of DORIS LEE SANDBERG deceased, whose date of death was January 29, 2022, is pending in the Circuit Court For Bradford County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 631 W Lafayette Street, Starke, FL 32091 to-wit:
Lots 25, 26, 27, 28, 37, 38, 39 and 40 of Block 3, in Dowling's Addition to Towa of Starke, in Section 29, Township 6 South, Range 22 East. Parcel Number: 03837-C-2500
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 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 TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S OF DEATH IS BARRED.
The date of first publication of this notice is August 3, 2023.
Marcella D. Thomas
Personal Representative
CHARLES DANIEL SIKES
817 W. MacMahon Street
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Email: dan.sikes30@gmail.com
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Attorney for Petitioner

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 11/1/2023, 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
Contact the Tax Deed Office at 904-966-6280 to obtain the amount necessary to redeem.
DATED: August 21, 2023
DATE OF PUBLICATION: AUGUST 24, 2023; AUGUST 31, 2023; SEPTEMBER 7, 2023; SEPTEMBER 14, 2023

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Certificate Number: 172
Year of Issuance: 2016
Parcel Number: 00821-A-01900
Case Number: 04-2023-TD-0015
Description of Property: Lot Nineteen (19) of Sampson Lake Shores, Unit One, as recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 26 of the public records of Bradford County, Florida, lying and being in Section 35, Township 6 South, Range 21 East, EXCEPT county graded road right of way known as Hogan's Circle.
Name in Which Assessed: ALFRED H LANGFORD JR & JERALYN W LANGFORD
Name on last tax roll, if different: JERALYN W LANGFORD 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 11/1/2023, 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
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Certificate Number: 659
Year of Issuance: 2016
Parcel Number: 02487-0-00000
Case Number: 04-2023-TD-20
Description of Property: Commencing at Northwest corner of land owned by Elmira King on East side of Railway and run East at right angles to Railway to East line of Section 21, thence North on said Section line to Center Street in Temple's Sub-Division, thence West on Street to Railway, Thence South along Railway to beginning in East Half of Northeast Quarter, Except such lots or pieces as have been heretofore been deeded Section 21, Township 6 South, Range 22 East, Bradford County, Florida
Name in Which Assessed: DENTON II LLC
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 11/8/2023, at 11:00 AM, or any subsequently scheduled sale date.
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Certificate Number: 1197
Year of Issuance: 2016
Parcel Number: 05555-B-00400
Case Number: 2023-TD-0018
Description of Property: Parcel 4, Block "B"
The West 75.77 feet of Lot 4 and the East 33.74 feet of Lot 5 there of, Block "B" a Re-Plat of Part of Mount Pleasant on Silver Lake.
The Replat is recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 20 of the Public records of Bradford County, Florida
Name in Which Assessed: NGA NGUYEN
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 10/18/2023, at 11:00 AM, or any subsequently scheduled sale date.
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Bradford County, Florida
BY: KANETRA JENKINS, Deputy Clerk
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Certificate Number: 607
Year of Issuance: 2016
Parcel Number: 02297-0-00500
Case Number: 2023-TD-0017
Description of Property: Part of the west 1/2 of northeast 1/4 of southeast 1/4 of Section 18, T6S, R22E, Bradford County, Florida being more particularly described as follows:
Commence at the southeast corner of west 1/2 of northeast 1/4 of southeast 1/4 of Section 18, T6S, R22E and run north 0 degrees, 24 minutes, 30 seconds west for 459.69 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING; thence south 89 degrees, 35 minutes, 30 seconds west for 208.72 feet, thence north 0 degrees, 24 minutes, 30 seconds

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Certificate Number: 729
Year of Issuance: 2016
Parcel Number: 02723-0-00000
Case Number: 04-2023-TD-0019
Description of Property: N 1/2 of SW 1/4 of NE 1/4 of SW 1/4 and Lot in NW 1/4 of SW 1/4 being 237', N. & S. by 100', E. & W.
Sec. 22, Twp. 6, S., R-22
Name in Which Assessed: LEROY THOMAS & MARIE THOMAS
Name on last tax roll, if different: MARIE THOMAS (DEC)
All of said property being in the County of Bradford, State of Florida.

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Certificate Number: 729
Year of Issuance: 2016
Parcel Number: 02723-0-00000
Case Number: 04-2023-TD-0019
Description of Property: N 1/2 of SW 1/4 of NE 1/4 of SW 1/4 and Lot in NW 1/4 of SW 1/4 being 237', N. & S. by 100', E. & W.
Sec. 22, Twp. 6, S., R-22
Name in Which Assessed: LEROY THOMAS & MARIE THOMAS
Name on last tax roll, if different: MARIE THOMAS (DEC)
All of said property being in the County of Bradford, State of Florida.

west for 208.72 feet; thence north 89 degrees, 35 minutes, 30 seconds east for 208.72 feet; thence south 0 degrees, 24 minutes, 30 seconds east for 208.72 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING, containing 1 acre.
Name in Which Assessed: JOE LOUIS HENDERSON; PETSEY OLA BEARD
Name on last tax roll, if different: PETSEY O BEARD (DEC) % ANDREW HARRIS (NEPHEW)
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 10/18/2023, at 11:00 AM, or any subsequently scheduled sale date.
Denny Thompson, Clerk Of The Circuit Court
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BY: Kanetra Jenkins, Deputy Clerk
Contact the Tax Deed Office at 904-966 6280 to obtain the amount necessary to redeem.
DATED: August 21, 2023
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Certificate Number: 609
Year of Issuance: 2016
Parcel Number: 02299-0-00400
Case Number: 2023-TD-0021
Description of Property: 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 (SE1/4) of Southeast Quarter (SE1/4) 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 (SE1/4) of Southeast Quarter (SE1/4) of said Section 18, Township 6 South, Range 22 East and run North 1°25'28" East for 663.40 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence North 89°48'38" East for 1,312.20 feet; thence North 0°11'38" East for 132.64 feet; thence South 89°48'32" West for 1,309.14 feet; thence South 1°25'28" West for 132.68 feet to the Point of Beginning, containing 3.991 acres.
Name in Which Assessed: TYSON GAD
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 11/08/2023, 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
Contact the Tax Deed Office at 904-966-6280 to obtain the amount necessary to redeem.
DATED: August 21, 2023
DATE OF PUBLICATION: AUGUST 24, 2023; AUGUST 31, 2023; SEPTEMBER 7, 2023; SEPTEMBER 14, 2023

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

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Certificate Number: 1246
Year of Issuance: 2016
Parcel Number: 05920-0-00000
Case Number: 04-2023-TD-0026
Description of Property: Lot 20, Keystone Club Estates, Unit One Replat, according to plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Pages 50-51, of the public records of Bradford County, Florida.
Name in Which Assessed: CARL GECKENROAD
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 11/8/2023, at 11:00 AM, or any subsequently scheduled sale date.
Denny Thompson, Clerk Of The Circuit Court
Bradford County, Florida
BY: L. Brannon
LISA BRANNON, Deputy Clerk
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DATED: September 1, 2023
DATE OF PUBLICATION: September 7, 2023; September 14, 2023; September 21, 2023; September 28, 2023

9/7 2tchg 9/14- BCT

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Notice is hereby given that RB TAX INVESTMENTS 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: 1029
Year of Issuance: 2021
Parcel Number: 06230-B-03000
Case Number: 04-2023-TD-0016
Description of Property: A parcel of land located in the Southeast Quarter (SE 1/4) of Section 12, Township 9 South, Range 22 East, Bradford County, Florida, locally referred to as Lot Thirty (30) of an unrecorded plat of "SEMINOLE RIDGE, UNIT NO. 2" and more particularly described on attached Exhibit "A" and by this reference made a part hereof.
Name in Which Assessed: CHRISTOPHER G R CHIAPPINI
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 11/8/2023, at 11:00 AM, or any subsequently scheduled sale date.
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BY L. Brannon
LISA BRANNON, Deputy Clerk
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DATED: August 31, 2023
DATE OF PUBLICATION: SEPTEMBER 7, 2023; SEPTEMBER 14, 2023; SEPTEMBER 21, 2023; SEPTEMBER 28, 2023

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

CASE NO. 22000388CAAXMX
MIDFIRST BANK,
Plaintiff,
VS.
CANDACE MCLENDON A/K/A
CANDACE MARIE MCLENDON, et al.,
Defendant.

NOTICE OF ACTION

To: MARIA ELANA SANCHEZ GUTIERREZ, 1655 E BROWNLEE ST, STARKE, FL 32091
INES ADRIANA SANCHEZ-GUTIERREZ, 1612 LINKS DR APT 04, JONESBORO, AR 72404
ROSA SANCHEZ GUTIERREZ, 1655 E BROWNLEE ST, STARKE, FL 32091

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Certificate Number: 994
Year of Issuance: 2016
Parcel Number: 04676-0-00500
Case Number: 04-2023-TD-0025
Description of Property: A PARCEL OF LAND LYING IN THE NORTH 1/2 OF NORTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 4, TOWNSHIP 7 SOUTH, RANGE 22 EAST, BRADFORD COUNTY, FLORIDA; SAID PARCEL BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:
COMMENCE AT AN IRON ROD AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 4 AND RUN NORTH 89 DEGREES 17 MINUTES 00 SECONDS WEST, ALONG THE NORTHERLY BOUNDARY

EAST, IN THE CITY OF STARKE, BRADFORD COUNTY, FLORIDA, SAID PARCEL BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:
COMMENCE AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SAID NORTHEAST 1/4 OF NORTHWEST 1/4 AND RUN NORTH 01 DEGREE 10 MINUTES 12 SECONDS WEST, ALONG THE EASTERLY BOUNDARY THEREOF AND ALONG THE EASTERLY BOUNDARY OF THE CITY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF STARKE, 432.88 FEET TO A FOUND IRON ROD; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 22 MINUTES 21 SECONDS WEST 265.25 FEET TO A SET IRON ROD FOR THE POINT OF BEGINNING; FROM THE POINT OF BEGINNING THUS DESCRIBED RUN SOUTH 13 DEGREES 53 MINUTES 48 SECONDS EAST 254.04 FEET TO AN IRON ROD SET ON THE NORTHERLY BOUNDARY OF THE RIGHT OF WAY OF STATE ROAD 16, SAID NORTHERLY BOUNDARY BEING ON A CURVE CONCAVE TO THE NORTH AND HAVING A RADIUS OF 3769.72 FEET; THENCE SOUTHWESTERLY ALONG SAID NORTHERLY BOUNDARY AND ALONG THE ARC OF SAID CURVE 204.66 FEET AS MEASURED ALONG A CHORD HAVING A BEARING OF SOUTH 76 DEGREES 39 MINUTES 03 SECONDS WEST TO A SET IRON ROD; THENCE NORTH 05 DEGREES 24 MINUTES 27 SECONDS WEST 297.00 FEET TO A FOUND IRON ROD; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 22 MINUTES 21 SECONDS EAST 166.12 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. TOGETHER WITH A 1999 DOUBLEWIDE MOBILE HOME WITH THE ID #S
FLHMBC133043858A AND
FLHMBC133043858B, WHICH IS LOCATED THEREON.
PARCEL NUMBER: 02842-0-00401
has been filed against you and you are required to file a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Sara Collins, Esq, McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce, LLC, 225 East Robinson Street, Suite 155, Orlando, FL 32801 and file the original with the Clerk of the above-styled Court on or before 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 28 day of August, 2023.
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
AS Clerk of the Court
BY: L. Brannon
Deputy Clerk
Publish In: Bradford Telegraph

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BY: L. Brannon
LISA BRANNON, Deputy Clerk
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Certificate Number: 993
Year of Issuance: 2016
Parcel Number: 04676-0-00400
Case Number: 04-2023-TD-0028
Description of Property: A PARCEL OF LAND LYING IN THE NORTH 1/2 OF NORTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 4, TOWNSHIP 7 SOUTH, RANGE 22 EAST, BRADFORD COUNTY, FLORIDA; SAID PARCEL BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:
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Name in Which Assessed: MICHAEL A DEW
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 11/1/2023, at 11:00 AM, or any subsequently scheduled sale date.
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Name in Which Assessed: PATSY DEW COX
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 11/1/2023, at 11:00 AM, or any subsequently scheduled sale date.
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Denny Thompson, Clerk Of The Circuit Court

Legal Notices

Legals for the week of Sept. 14, 2023 CONTINUED from pg. 12

BRADFORD

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

CASE NO. 04-2023-CA-000053 DENNIS M. ROSATTO, individually Plaintiff, v. DOUGLAS FORNESS individually; Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated August 23, 2023 and entered in Case No. 04-2023-CA-000053-CA of the Circuit Court, in the Eighth Judicial Circuit, in and for Bradford County, Florida, wherein DENNIS M ROSATTO is the Plaintiff, and DOUGLAS FORNESS is the Defendant, the office of Denny Thompson, Clerk of the Circuit Court, shall sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the Bradford County Courthouse, 945 North Temple Ave., Starke, Florida 32091, on the 26th day of October, 2023 beginning at 11:00 AM the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment:

Begin at a point 165 feet South of NE corner of NE 1/4 of SE 1/4 in Section 24, Township 7 South, Range 21 East, run South 152 feet; thence West 1459 feet to East R/W line of SR. 200 (formerly #13); thence N 9° 30' E along said E/R/W line of SR. 200, 152 feet; thence East 1432 feet to the Point of Beginning and lying in NE 1/4 of SE 1/4 and NW 1/4 of SE 1/4, Section 24, Township 7 South, Range 21 East, Bradford County, Florida.

Excepting that part of: Begin at a point 165 feet South of NE corner of NE 1/4 of SE 1/4 in Section 24, Township 7 South, Range 21 East, run South 152 feet; thence West 1459 feet to East right of way line of State Road #200 (formerly #13), thence North 9° 30' East along said East right of way line of State Road #200, 152 feet; thence East 1432 feet to Point of Beginning and lying in NE 1/4 of SE 1/4 and NW 1/4 of SE 1/4 of Section 24, Township 7 South, Range 21 East, Bradford County, Florida, lying Easterly of and within 60 feet of the survey line of State Road 200, Section 28010-2502, said survey line being described as follows:

Begin on the South line of Section 24, Township 7 South, Range 21 East, Bradford County, Florida, at a point 2033.4 feet West from the Southeast corner of said Section 24, run thence North 8° 51' 27" East 5420.02 feet to the beginning of a curve concave to the Southeast having a radius of 3819.72 feet, run thence Northeasterly along said curve through an angle of 0° 01' 55" a distance of 2.13 feet to the North line of said Section 24, at a point 1036.2 feet West from the Northeast corner of said Section 24, exclusive of existing road right of way. Property Address: 10713 US HWY 301, HAMPTON, FL 32044

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 within 60 days after the sale. Dated this 8th of September, 2023. By: /s/ Brice S. Shrader II Brice S. Shrader II, Esq. Florida Bar No. 0121675 ACOSTA, MOORE, & SHRADER, PLLC

1085 W. Morse Blvd., Suite 210 Winter Park, Florida 32789 Telephone: (407) 644-2531 Facsimile: (407) 628-9289 Service Email: bshrader@amslawfl.com

Attorneys for Plaintiff If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in a court proceeding or event, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator, William E Sexton, 945 N Temple Avenue, PO Drawer B, Starke, FL 32091, (904) 966-6327, fax: (904) 368-3903 at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving notification if the time before the scheduled court appearance is less than 7 days. If you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711 to reach the Telecommunications Relay Service.

9/14 2tchg 9/21-BCT

COMMISSION MEETING

THE PUBLIC IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that the Bradford County Board of County Commissioners will have a board meeting on September 21, 2023 at 6:30 PM inside the county commission meeting room, located in the north wing section of the Bradford County Courthouse, 945 N. Temple, Avenue, Starke, FL. A copy of the meeting agenda may be obtained from the Bradford County website: www.bradfordcountylfl.gov. Said meeting location is secured – no firearms or weapons are permitted.

9/14 1tchg-BCT

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Certificate Number: 751 Year of Issuance: 2016 Parcel Number: 02778-0-00000 Case Number: 2023-TD-0022 Description of Property: The real estate being divided in this estate is described as: All of the East 1/2 of SW 1/4 of NE North of Road in section 24, Township 6 South, Range 22 East, in Bradford County, Florida. Name in Which Assessed: JOEY RICKS; LARRY RICKS; LINDA RICKS GORDON; SYLVIA RICKS WHEELER; DORIS RICKS OVERTREET Name on last tax roll, if different: ALMA RICKS BALDRAN (DEC) %CORTNIE MEIER (GRANDDAUGHTER) 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

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Denny Thompson, Clerk Of The Circuit Court Bradford County, Florida BY: K. JENKINS KANETRA JENKINS, Deputy Clerk Contact the Tax Deed Office at 904-966-6280 to obtain the amount necessary to redeem.

DATED: September 7, 2023 DATE OF PUBLICATION: SEPTEMBER 14, 2023; SEPTEMBER 21, 2023; SEPTEMBER 28, 2023; OCTOBER 5, 2023

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9/14 4tchg 10/5-BCT

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Certificate Number: 1474 Year of Issuance: 2017 Parcel Number: 05115-0-00209 Case Number: 2023-TD-0031 Description of Property: Lots 9, 10 of Bik 2 Wrights Add to Hampton 30 7S, 22 E, RESERVING unto the State of Florida easement for State Road Right of Way Two Hundred (200) feet wide, lying equally on each side of the center line of any State Road existing on the date of this deed through so much of any parcel herein described as is within One Hundred (100) feet of center line. Name in Which Assessed: OVELLA PERRY 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 12/20/2023, at 11:00 AM, or any subsequently scheduled sale date.

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Certificate Number: 1168 Year of Issuance: 2017 Parcel Number: 05079-0-01001 Case Number: 2023-TD-0032 Description of Property: Commence at the Southwest corner of Lot 9 of Block 7 of said Town of Hampton and run N 01°25'06"W, along the West line of Lots 9, 10, 11 and 12 of said Block 7 and along the Easterly R/W line of Florida Avenue (a 50' platted street) for a distance of 100.00 feet to the Northwest corner of said Lot 12 of Block 7; thence run S 88°28'54"W, along a Westerly prolongation of the North line of said Lot 12 of Block 7, for a distance of 25.00 feet to the centerline of said Florida Avenue for the Point of Beginning. From the Point of Beginning thus described run S 01°25'06"E, along the centerline of said Florida Avenue, for a distance of 125.00 feet to the intersection of the centerline of said Florida Avenue and Plum Street (50' platted street); thence run S 88°29'49"W, along the centerline of said Plum Street, for a distance of 25.00 feet; thence run N 01°25'06"W, along the Westerly R/W line of said Florida Avenue, for a distance of 25.00 feet to the Southeast corner of Lot 8 of Block 10 of said Town of Hampton; thence continue N 01°25'06" W, along the Westerly R/W line of said Florida Avenue and along the East line of Lots 8, 7, 6 and 5 of said Block 10, for a distance of 100.00 feet to the Northeast corner of said Lot 5 of Block 10, thence run N 88°28'54"E, along an Easterly prolongation of the North line of said Lot 5 of Block 10, for a distance of 25.00 feet to the Point of Beginning.

Name in Which Assessed: TERESA A EVANS; WILLIAM T LANEY; MARTHA G LANEY Name on last tax roll, if different: TERESA A LANEY 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 12/20/2023, at 11:00 AM, or any subsequently scheduled sale date.

Denny Thompson, Clerk Of The Circuit Court Bradford County, Florida BY: KANETRA JENKINS KANETRA JENKINS, Deputy Clerk Contact the Tax Deed Office at 904-966-6230 to obtain the amount necessary to redeem. DATED: September 7, 2023 DATE OF PUBLICATION: SEPTEMBER 14, 2023; SEPTEMBER 21, 2023; SEPTEMBER 28, 2023; OCTOBER 5, 2023

WARNING THERE ARE UNPAID TAXES ON PROPERTY WHICH YOU OWN, IN WHICH YOU MAY HAVE A LEGAL INTEREST, OR IS CONTINGUOUS TO YOUR PROPERTY. THE PROPERTY WILL BE SOLD AT PUBLIC AUCTION ON 12/20/2023, UNLESS THE BACK TAXES ARE PAID. TO MAKE PAYMENT, OR TO RECEIVE FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT THE CLERK OF COURT IMMEDIATELY AT 945 N. TEMPLE AVE/P.O. DRAWER B, STARKE, FL 32091 OR (904)966-6280. Payment must be CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK or MONEY ORDER made payable to BRADFORD COUNTY CLERK OF THE COURT.

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Certificate Number: 1113 Year of Issuance: 2017 Parcel Number: 04838-0-00115 Case Number: 2023-TD-0033 Description of Property: A parcel of land lying in the NE 1/4 of Section 15, Township 7 South, Range 22 East, Bradford County, Florida. Said parcel being more particularly described as follows:

Commence at a 4" x 4" concrete monument (LS6209) located at the intersection of the Southerly boundary of said Northeast 1/4 with the Westerly boundary of the Right of Way of State Road 100 (100 foot Right of Way) and run North 19 degrees 47' minutes 01 seconds West, along said Westerly boundary 190.68 feet to the Centerline of a 30.0 foot Right of Way for Ingress, Egress & Utilities; Thence South 88 degrees 26 minutes 39 seconds West, along said Centerline 583.72 feet to the Point of Beginning. From Point of Beginning thus described run South 01 degrees 33 minutes 21 seconds East, 180.80 feet to the Southerly boundary of said Northeast 1/4; Thence South 88 degrees 29 minutes 25 seconds West, along said Southerly boundary 226.08 feet; Thence North 10 degrees 48 minutes 10 seconds West 183.00 feet to an intersection with said Centerline of 30.0 foot Right of Way; Thence North 88 degrees 26 minutes 39 seconds East, 255.48 feet to the Point of Beginning. Containing 1.0 Acres +/- Subject to and conveyed with a right of Ingress, Egress & Utilities over said 30.0 foot Right of Way out to State Road 100.

Name in Which Assessed: ADISSON LUNIC

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 12/20/2023, at 11:00 AM, or any subsequently scheduled sale date.

Denny Thompson, Clerk Of The Circuit Court Bradford County, Florida BY: KANETRA JENKINS KANETRA JENKINS, Deputy Clerk Contact the Tax Deed Office at 904-966-6280 to obtain the amount necessary to redeem. DATED: September 7, 2023 DATE OF PUBLICATION: SEPTEMBER 14, 2023; SEPTEMBER 21, 2023; SEPTEMBER 28, 2023; OCTOBER 5, 2023

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Certificate Number: 1197 Year of Issuance: 2017 Parcel Number: 05197-0-00100 Case Number: 04-2023-TD-030 Description of Property: A parcel of land lying in Section 35, Township 7 South, Range 22 East, Bradford County, Florida; said parcel being more particularly described as follows:

Commence at an axle found at the Southwest corner of the SE1/4 of said Section 35 and run North 00 degrees 48 minutes 26 seconds East, along the Westerly boundary thereof, 126.83 feet to an iron rod located on the Southerly boundary of the right of way of the G.S. & F. Railroad (50' R/W, abandoned) for the Point of Beginning, said Southerly boundary being on a curve, concave to the

North and having a radius of 603.69 feet. From Point of Beginning thus described run Northwesterly, along said Southerly boundary and along the arc of said curve, 112.22 feet as measured along a chord having a bearing of North 76 degrees 59 minutes 42 seconds West to an iron rod on the Easterly boundary of the right of way of said G.S. & F. railroad (200' R/W); thence North 33 degrees 15 minutes 31 seconds West, along said Easterly boundary, 87.32 feet to an iron rod located on the Northerly boundary of an abandoned G.S.&F. Railroad (50' R/W), said Northerly boundary being on a curve concave to the North and having a radius of 553.69 feet; thence Southeasterly, along said Northerly boundary and along the arc of said curve, 165.04 feet as measured along a chord having a bearing of South 73 degrees 07 minutes 57 seconds East, to an iron rod on the Easterly boundary of said SE1/4; thence Northeasterly, along said Northerly boundary and along the arc of said curve, 282.16 feet as measured along a chord having a bearing of North 83 degrees 32 minutes 04 seconds East, to an iron rod located on the Westerly boundary of the right of way of SE 35th Street (a County maintained graded road); thence South 09 degrees 01 minute 03 seconds West, along said Westerly boundary, 57.09 feet to an iron rod located on the aforesaid Southerly boundary of the right of way of abandoned G.S.&F. Railroad; thence continue South 09 degrees 01 minute 03 seconds West, along said Westerly boundary, 6.25 feet to the beginning of a curve concave to the East and having a radius of 1221.69 feet; thence Southwesterly, along said Westerly boundary, and along the arc of said curve, 25.0 feet as measured along a chord having a bearing of South 08 degrees 26 minutes 09 seconds West; thence North 89 degrees 17 minutes 46 seconds West, parallel with the Southerly boundary of said SE1/4 a distance of 138.06 feet to an intersection with aforesaid Southerly boundary of the right of way of said abandoned G.S.&F. Railroad; thence Northwesterly, along said Southerly boundary and along the arc of said curve having a radius of 603.69 feet, a distance of 129.48 feet as measured along a chord having a bearing of North 88 degrees 28 minutes 51 seconds West to the Point of Beginning.

Containing 0.52 of an acre, more or less. TOGETHER WITH a 1971 Champion single wide mobile home, with ID number 0419649757 and title number 4458813, which is located thereon. Name in Which Assessed: DANNY MULLIS 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 9 12/6/2023, at 11:00 AM, or any subsequently scheduled sale date.

Denny Thompson, Clerk Of The Circuit court Bradford County, Florida BY: KYRAH SMITH KYRAH SMITH, Deputy Clerk Contact the Tax Deed Office at 904-966-6280 to obtain the amount necessary to redeem. DATED: September 7, 2023 DATE OF PUBLICATION: September 14, 2023; September 21, 2023; September 28, 2023; October 5, 2023

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Certificate Number: 1058 Year of Issuance: 2017 Parcel Number: 04676-0-00300 Case Number: 04-2023-TD-0034 Description of Property: A PARCEL OF LAND LYING IN THE NORTH 1/2 OF NORTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 4, TOWNSHIP 7 SOUTH, RANGE 22 EAST, BRADFORD COUNTY, FLORIDA; SAID PARCEL BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCE AT AN IRON ROD AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 4 AND RUN NORTH 89 DEGREES 47 MINUTES 00 SECONDS WEST, ALONG THE NORTHERLY BOUNDARY THEREOF, 2664.73 FEET TO A CONCRETE MONUMENT AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID NORTH 1/2 OF NORTHEAST 1/4; THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 07 MINUTES 44 SECONDS WEST, ALONG THE WESTERLY BOUNDARY THEREOF, 703.74 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, FROM POINT OF BEGINNING THUS DESCRIBED RUN SOUTH 87 DEGREES 34 MINUTES 54 SECONDS EAST, PARALLEL WITH THE NORTHERLY BOUNDARY OF THE RIGHT OF WAY OF SE 139TH STREET, 300.00 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 07 MINUTES 44 SECONDS WEST, PARALLEL WITH SAID WESTERLY BOUNDARY, 672.28 FEET TO SAID NORTHERLY BOUNDARY OF THE RIGHT OF WAY OF SE 139TH STREET; THENCE NORTH 87 DEGREES 34 MINUTES 54 SECONDS WEST, ALONG SAID NORTHERLY BOUNDARY, 300.00 TO AN IRON ROD ON SAID WESTERLY BOUNDARY; THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 07 MINUTES 44 SECONDS EAST, ALONG SAID WESTERLY BOUNDARY, 672.28 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. CONTAINING 4.63 ACRES, MORE OR LESS. Name in Which Assessed: RICHARD A WILLIAMSON 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 11/15/2023, at 11:00 AM, or any subsequently scheduled sale date.

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Denny Thompson, Clerk Of The Circuit Court Bradford County, Florida BY: KYRAH SMITH

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Certificate Number: 211 Year of Issuance: 2017 Parcel Number: 00867-0-02600 Case Number: 04-2023-TD-0023 Description of Property: Parcel 26 The West 132.00 feet of the East 1716.00 feet of the South 330.00 feet of the S1/2 of the NE1/4 of Section 11, Township 7 South, Range 21 East, Bradford County, Florida, containing 1.00 acre. Above described parcel being conveyed with a 60.00 foot easement for ingress, egress and utilities described as follows: That part of the Westerly 60.00 feet of the SW1/4 of NW1/4 lying South of County Road 225 (formerly State Road S-225) of Section 12, Township 7 South, Range 21 East together with the Northerly 60.00 feet of the Southerly 390.00 feet of the S1/2 of NE1/4 of said Section 11.

Name in Which Assessed: ADELA M TURK 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 11/15/2023, at 11:00 AM, or any subsequently scheduled sale date.

Denny Thompson, Clerk Of The Circuit Court Bradford County, Florida BY: Lisa Brannon LISA BRANNON, Deputy Clerk Contact the Tax Deed Office at 904-966-6280 to obtain the amount necessary to redeem. DATED: September 8, 2023 DATE OF PUBLICATION: September 14, 2023; September 21, 2023; September 28, 2023; October 5, 2023

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KYRAH SMITH, Deputy Clerk Contact the Tax Deed Office at 904-966-6280 TO OBTAIN the amount necessary to redeem.

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Certificate Number: 719 Year of Issuance: 2017 Parcel Number: 02542-0-00000 Case Number: 04-2023-TD-0036 Description of Property: Lots Seven and Ten (7 and 10) in Block Twenty-three (23) in that certain subdivision known as North Reno and embracing the West half (W1/2) of the Southeast quarter (SE1/4) of the Southeast quarter (SE1/4) and the Southwest quarter (SW1/4) of the Northeast quarter (NE1/4) of the Southeast quarter (SE1/4), Section Twenty-one (21), Township six (6) South, Range Twenty-two (22) East, in Bradford County, Florida.

Name in Which Assessed: GEORGIA JENKINS & ANNIE MAE WOODY Name on last tax roll, if different: ANNIE M WOODY All 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 11/15/2023, at 11:00 AM, or any subsequently scheduled sale date.

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Certificate Number: 1179 Year of Issuance: 2017 Parcel Number: 05137-0-00000 Case Number: 04-2023-TD-0041 Description of Property: 30 7S 22 ALL SE1/4 OF SW1/4 W OF RY (per Property Appraiser Records) Name in Which Assessed: ARNOLD LAND COMPANY & C E HARPER Name on last tax roll, if different: OVELLA PERRY 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 12/6/2023, at 11:00 AM, or any subsequently scheduled sale date.

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Legal Notices

Legals for the week of Sept. 14, 2023 CONTINUED from pg. 13

BRADFORD

NOTICE OF SALE

The City of Lawtey will be accepting sealed bids for a 2005 Ford Crown Victoria Car and a 2010 Ford Crown Victoria. A minimum bid of \$1,500 each is required. The vehicles will go to the highest bidder, as is. Please send bids to P.O. Drawer G, Lawtey Florida 32058 or drop off at Lawtey City Hall, 2793 Lake St. Lawtey, FL 32058 by 2 p.m. September 29, 2023. Anyone wishing to view the vehicle may do so at Lawtey City Hall from 8 am until 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

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NOTICE OF SALE

The City of Lawtey will be accepting bids for a 2002 12' utility trailer, two 2007 Hustler Zero Turn lawn mowers and 2 used line trimmers, as is. This is a package deal with a minimum bid of \$1,250. Please drop sealed bids at Lawtey City Hall 2793 Lake St. or P.O. Drawer G, Lawtey, Florida 32058 by 2p.m. on Friday, September 29, 2023. Anyone wishing to view the items may do so at the City Hall from 8am until 4 pm Monday through Friday.

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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO REGISTER FICTITIOUS NAME

Pursuant to Section 865.09, Florida Statutes, notice is hereby given that the undersigned: VANESSA THOMPSON, 24950 NE 7th Ave., Lawtey, FL 32058 joint owner, doing business under the firm name of: THOMPSON SHOWPIGS, 24950 NE 7th Ave., Lawtey, FL 32058, intends to register fictitious name under the aforesaid statute. Dated this 12th day of September A.D., 2023, in Bradford County.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR BRADFORD COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 04-2023-CA-189
COMMUNITY STATE BANK, a Florida corporation,
Plaintiff,

vs.
TNT 314, LLC, a Florida limited liability company; TIMOTHY L. GUEST, an individual; TERESA G. PHILLIPS, as tax collector for Bradford County, Florida; FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE, a political subdivision of the State of Florida; and STARCAL, INC., a Georgia corporation,
Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
Notice is hereby given that Denny Thompson, Clerk of the Circuit Court, Florida will on October 26, 2023 at 11:00 a.m. EST in the lobby of the Bradford County Courthouse, located at 945 North Temple Avenue, Starke, Florida 32091, offer for sale and sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash the real property situated in Bradford County, Florida more fully described as follows:
Lots 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5, Block 16, except road, in Temple's Addition to the Town of Starke, Florida, according to map or plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book "G", Page 304, public records of Bradford County, Florida.

(the "Real Property"). The sale will be conducted pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on August 24, 2023 in this action. The Real Property will be sold to the highest and best bidder for cash or certified funds. The successful bidder must deposit a minimum of five percent (5%) of the bid amount. The successful high bid shall be exclusive of the clerk's registry fee and documentary stamps on the certificate of title.
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 within sixty (60) days after the sale. DATED this 12th day September, 2023 THE LILES FIRM, P.A.
/s/ Ryan J. Mittauer
ROBERT B. GEORGE
Florida Bar No. 0108995
Ryan J. Mittauer
Florida Bar. No. 0091869
50 North Laura Street, Suite 1200
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Counsel for Plaintiff, Community State Bank

ACCOMMODATIONS FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES
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.
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 PUBLIC HEARING CONCERNING AN AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF STARKE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

BY THE PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD OF THE CITY OF STARKE, FLORIDA, SERVING ALSO AS THE LOCAL PLANNING AGENCY OF THE CITY OF STARKE, FLORIDA, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT, pursuant to the City of Starke Land Development Code, as amended, hereinafter referred to as the Land Development Code, objections, recommendations and comments concerning an amendment, as described below, will be heard by the Planning and Zoning Board of City of Starke, Florida, serving also as the Local Planning Agency of City of Starke, Florida, at a public hearing to be held on September 18, 2023 at 6:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard in the City Commission Meeting Room, City Hall located at 209 North Thompson Street, Starke, Florida.
S230815A, an application by Marty Shaw, as agent for Robert J. Blaine Jr., to amend the Future Land Use Plan Map of the Comprehensive Plan by changing the future land use classification from RESIDENTIAL, MEDIUM DENSITY (more than 2 to less than or equal to 8 dwelling units per acre) to COMMERCIAL on property described, as follows:
A parcel of land lying in Section 33, Township 6 South, Range 22 East, Bradford County, Florida. Being more particularly described as follows: Commence at the Northwest corner of the Southwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of said Section 33; thence South 364.00 feet to the East right-of-way line of U.S. Highway 301 (State Road 200/Temple Avenue); thence South 76°23'25" East 204.00 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence continue South 76°23'25" East 407.00 feet to the West line of the CSX railroad right-of-way line; thence South 16°01'44" West 182.00 feet, along said West line of the CSX railroad right-of-way line; thence North 76°23'25" West 524.00 feet; thence North 44°00'44" East 256.00 feet to the Point of Beginning.
Containing 2.00 acres, more or less. At the aforementioned public hearing, all interested parties may appear to be heard with respect to the amendment.
Copies of the amendment are available for public inspection at the City Zoning Department, located at 209 North Thompson Street, Starke, Florida, during regular business hours.
All persons are advised that if they decide to appeal any decisions made at the above referenced public hearing, they will need a record of the proceedings, and that for such purpose they may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.
Persons with disabilities requesting reasonable accommodations to participate in this proceeding should contact the Office of the City Clerk at 904.964.5027 or via the Florida Relay Service 800.955.8770 (voice) or 800.955.8771 (TTY) at least 48 hours prior to the date of the public hearing.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS CONCERNING AMENDMENTS TO THE CITY OF STARKE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE
BY THE PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD OF THE CITY OF STARKE, FLORIDA, SERVING ALSO AS THE LOCAL PLANNING AGENCY OF THE CITY OF STARKE, FLORIDA, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT, pursuant to the City of Starke Land Development Code, as amended, hereinafter referred to as the Land Development Code, objections, recommendations and comments concerning an amendment, as described below, will be heard by the Planning and Zoning Board of City of Starke, Florida, serving also as the Local Planning Agency of City of Starke, Florida, at a public hearing to be held on September 18, 2023 at 6:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard in the City Commission Meeting Room, City Hall located at 209 North Thompson Street, Starke, Florida.
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A parcel of land lying in Section 33, Township 6 South, Range 22 East, Bradford County, Florida. Being more particularly described as follows: Commence at the Northwest corner of the Southwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of said Section 33; thence South 364.00 feet to the East right-of-way line of U.S. Highway 301 (State Road 200/Temple Avenue); thence South 76°23'25" East 204.00 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence continue South 76°23'25" East 407.00 feet to the West line of the CSX railroad right-

of-way line; thence South 16°01'44" West 182.00 feet, along said West line of the CSX railroad right-of-way line; thence North 76°23'25" West 524.00 feet; thence North 44°00'44" East 256.00 feet to the Point of Beginning.
Containing 2.00 acres, more or less. At the aforementioned public hearing, all interested parties may appear to be heard with respect to the amendment.
Copies of the amendment are available for public inspection at the City Zoning Department, located at 209 North Thompson Street, Starke, Florida, during regular business hours.
All persons are advised that if they decide to appeal any decisions made at the above referenced public hearing, they will need a record of the proceedings, and that for such purpose they may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.
Persons with disabilities requesting reasonable accommodations to participate in this proceeding should contact the Office of the City Clerk at 904.964.5027 or via the Florida Relay Service 800.955.8770 (voice) or 800.955.8771 (TTY) at least 48 hours prior to the date of the public hearing.

BOARD OF THE CITY OF STARKE, FLORIDA, SERVING ALSO AS THE LOCAL PLANNING AGENCY OF THE CITY OF STARKE, FLORIDA, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT, pursuant to the City of Starke Land Development Code, as amended, hereinafter referred to as the Land Development Code, objections, recommendations and comments concerning the amendments, as described below, will be heard by the Planning and Zoning Board of City of Starke, Florida, serving also as the Local Planning Agency of City of Starke, Florida, at public hearings to be held on September 18, 2023 at 6:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matters can be heard in the City Commission Meeting Room, City Hall located at 209 North Thompson Street, Starke, Florida. Amendment LDC 23-01 was previously noticed for a public hearing on July 17, 2023 and August 21, 2023.
(1) LDC 23-01 is an application by the City Commission to amend the text of the Land Development Code by amending Section 1-12 entitled Definitions to add definitions for ancillary facilities, antenna, collocation, guyed tower, lattice tower, monopole tower, telecommunications facility, and tower; by amending Section 4-76 entitled Uses Permitted by Special Exception in R-1A, R-1B, and RM-1 to allow telecommunication facilities as a use permitted by special exception; by amending Section 4-84 entitled Uses Permitted by Special Exception in R-1C, R-1D, and RM-2 to allow telecommunication facilities as a use permitted by special exception; by amending Section 4-93 entitled Uses Permitted by Special Exception in R-2A and R-2B to allow telecommunication facilities as a use permitted by special exception; by amending Section 4-96.D entitled Uses Permitted by Special Exception in RP, Residential, Professional District to allow telecommunication facilities as a use permitted by special exception; by amending Section 4-98.B.3 entitled Uses Permitted by Special Exception in B-1, Neighborhood Commercial District to allow telecommunication facilities as a use permitted by special exception; by amending Section 4-99.B.3 entitled Uses Permitted by Special Exception in B-2, Community Commercial District to allow telecommunication facilities as a use permitted by special exception; by amending Section 4-100.B.3 entitled Uses Permitted by Special Exception in B-3, Highway Commercial District to allow telecommunication facilities as a use permitted by special exception; by amending Section 4-101.B.3 entitled Uses Permitted by Special Exception in BP, Business Professional District to allow telecommunication facilities as a use permitted by special exception; by amending Section 4-103.B.3 entitled Uses Permitted by Special Exception in I.1, Light Industrial District to allow telecommunication facilities as a use permitted by special exception; by amending Section 4-104.B.3 entitled Uses Permitted by Special Exception in I.2, General Industrial District to allow telecommunication facilities as a use permitted by special exception; by amending Section 4-105.B.3 entitled Uses Permitted by Special Exception in Agricultural District to allow telecommunication facilities as a use permitted by special exception; and by adding Section 4-218 entitled Telecommunications Facilities to establish telecommunication tower and antenna regulations.
(2) Z 23-05, an application by Marty Shaw, as agent for Robert J. Blaine Jr., to amend the Zoning Map of the Land Development Code 1by changing the zoning district from SINGLE FAMILY, MEDIUM DENSITY DISTRICT (R-1C) to HIGHWAY COMMERCIAL DISTRICT (B-3) on the property described, as follows:
A parcel of land lying in Section 33, Township 6 South, Range 22 East, Bradford County, Florida. Being more particularly described as follows: Commence at the Northwest corner of the Southwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of said Section 33; thence South 364.00 feet to the East right-of-way line of U.S. Highway 301 (State Road 200/Temple Avenue); thence South 76°23'25" East 204.00 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence continue South 76°23'25" East 407.00 feet to the West line of the CSX railroad right-

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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: 197
Year of Issuance: 2017
Parcel Number: 00845-0-00000
Case Number: 04-2023-TD-0024
Description of Property: Commence at the centerline intersection of State Road No. 225 and the Seaboard Coast Line Railroad thence North 46 degrees 31 minutes 44 seconds West along the centerline of State Road No. 225, 1778.47 feet, thence North 34 degrees 53 minutes 36 seconds East 50.56 feet to a point on the East right of way line of State Road No. 225 said point being the Point of Beginning; thence continue North 34 degrees 53 minutes 36 seconds East, 155.00 feet, thence South 46 degrees 31 minutes 44 seconds East 360.00 feet, thence South 34 degrees 53 minutes 36 seconds West 155.00 feet thence North 44 degrees 31 minutes 44 seconds West 360.00 feet to the Point of Beginning. Same lying in Section 4, Township 7, Range 21 East. Description Verified ejn/eml.
Name in Which Assessed: GEORGE A WILL III
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 12/6/2023, at 11:00 AM, or any subsequently scheduled sale date.
Denny Thompson, Clerk Of The Circuit Court.
Bradford County, Florida
BY: Lisa Brannon
LISA BRANNON, Deputy Clerk
Contact the Tax Deed Office at 904-966-6280 to obtain the amount necessary to redeem.
DATED: September 8, 2023
DATE OF PUBLICATION: September 14, 2023; September 21, 2023; September 28, 2023; October 5, 2023
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NO: FMCE-23-009103 (33)
FAMILY DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS FOR THE PROPOSED ADOPTION OF A MINOR CHILD.
RE: INFANT BOY GRIFFIS AKA ZACHARIAH DALTON GRIFFIS (DOB: JULY 26, 2023)

NOTICE TO APPEAR
NOTICE OF PETITION AND HEARING FOR TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS PENDING ADOPTION

TO : Jeremy Stoddard
ADDRESS: Last known address in Lake Butler, Florida
PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: Male, 33 years old
DATE OF BIRTH: May 16, 1990
YOU ARE NOTIFIED that a Petition to Terminate Parental Rights Pending Adoption has been filed in the above-styled Court for the termination of parental rights of Infant Boy Griffis aka Zachariah Dalton Griffis, a male child born on July 26, 2023 in Marion County, Florida. You are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Ellen M. Kaplan, Esq., The Law Offices of Ellen M. Kaplan, P.A., whose address is 9900 West Sample Road, Third Floor, Coral Springs, Florida 33065 and file the original with the clerk of the above-styled court on or before thirty (30) days from the date of the first publication of this notice. There will be a hearing on the Petition to Terminate Parental Rights Pending Adoption on Monday, October 23, 2023 at 8:45 AM before Judge Francis Viamonetes by Zoom (Zoom ID 562-237-373), from the Broward County Courthouse, 201 S.E. 6th Street, Fort Lauderdale, Florida. The Court has set aside five (5) minutes for this hearing. UNDER SECTION 63.089, FLORIDA STATUTES, FAILURE TO TIMELY FILE A WRITTEN RESPONSE TO THIS NOTICE AND PETITION WITH THE COURT AND TO APPEAR AT THIS HEARING CONSTITUTES GROUNDS UPON WHICH THE COURT SHALL END ANY PARENTAL RIGHTS YOU MAY HAVE OR ASSERT REGARDING THE MINOR CHILD. WITNESS my hand and seal of said Court on the 26th day of August, 2023.
Brenda D. Forman, Clerk of Court
By: /s/
Deputy Clerk
Ellen M. Kaplan, Esq.
Law Offices of Ellen M. Kaplan, P.A.
Attorney for Petitioner
Florida Bar No. 0875228
9900 West Sample Road, Third Floor
Coral Springs, Florida 33065
Phone: (954) 341-1309
Fax: (954) 510-2292

"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, Broward County Courthouse, 201 SE 6th Street, Fort Lauderdale, Florida; telephone number (954) 831-7721 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 711."

"Si usted es una persona minusvalida que necesita algun acomodamiento para poder participar en este procedimiento, usted tiene derecho, sin tener gastos propios, a que se le provea cierta ayuda. Tenga la amabilidad de ponerse en contacto con ADA Coordinator, 201 SE 6th Street, Fort Lauderdale, Florida telefono numero (954) 831-7721, por lo menos 7 dias antes de la cita fijada para su comparecencia en los tribunales, o inmediatamente despues de recibir esta notificaciOn si el tiempo antes de la comparecencia que se ha programado es menos de 7 dias; si usted tiene discapacitacion del oido o de la voz, llame al 711."

"Si ou se yon moun ki enfim ki bezwen akomodasyon pou w ka patisipe nan pwosedir sa, ou kalifye san ou pa gen okenn lajan pou w peye, gen pwovizyon pou jwen kek ed. Tanpri kontakte ADA Coordinator, k donatè pwogram Lwa pou ameriken ki Enfim yo nan Tribinal Konte Broward County Couthouse la ki nan 201 SE 6th Street, Fort Lauderdale, Florida; telef n li se (954) 831-7721 nan 7 jou anvan dat ou gen randevou pou parèt nan tribinal la, oubyen imedyatman apre ou fin resewva konvokasyon an si li ou gen pou w paret nan tribinal la mwens ke 7 jou; si ou gen pwoblèm pou w tande oubyen pale, rele 711."

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SUWANNEE RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
PUBLIC NOTICE OF APPLICATION
Notice is hereby given that pursuant to Chapter 373, Florida Statutes, the following application for permit was received on August 18, 2023:
Albert Smith, 7617 SW County Road 245, Lake Butler, FL 32054-7349 has submitted Water Use Permit application no. 220889-3 for renewal authorizing maximum average daily withdrawal of 0.1062 million gallons for agricultural use. This project is

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located in Section 8, Township 6S, Range 18E, in Union County. Interested persons may comment upon the application or submit a written request for a staff report containing proposed agency action regarding the application by writing to the Suwannee River Water Management District, Attn: Resource Management, 9225 C.R. 49, Live Oak, Florida 32060. Such comments or requests must be received by 5:00 PM within 14 days from the date of publication.
No further public notice will be provided regarding this application. A copy of the staff report must be requested in order to remain advised of further proceedings. Substantially affected persons are entitled to request an administrative hearing, pursuant to Title 28, Florida Administrative Code, regarding the proposed agency action by submitting a written request after reviewing the staff report.

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BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF UNION COUNTY, FLORIDA, SERVING AS THE PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD OF UNION COUNTY, FLORIDA, AND THE LOCAL PLANNING AGENCY OF UNION COUNTY, FLORIDA, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT, pursuant to Sections 163.3161 through 163.3248, Florida Statutes, as amended, and the Union County Land Development Regulations, as amended, objections, recommendations and comments concerning an amendment, as described below, will be heard by the Board of County Commissioners of Union County, Florida, serving as the Planning and Zoning Board of Union County, Florida, and the Local Planning Agency of Union County, Florida, at a public hearing on September 25, 2023 at 5:15 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard, in the Board of County Commissioners Meeting Room, County Courthouse, located at 55 West Main Street, Lake Butler, Florida. The amendment was previously noticed for a public hearing on August 21, 2023.
CPA 23-02, an application by Karen E. Jenkins and Thomas B. Jenkins, to amend the Future Land Use Plan Map of the Comprehensive Plan by changing the future land use classification from RESIDENTIAL, LOW DENSITY (less than or equal to 2 dwelling units per acre) to COMMERCIAL on property described as follows:
A parcel of land lying in Section 30, Township 5 South, Range 20 East, Union County, Florida. Being more particularly describes as follows: Lots 1 to 6 and Lots 19 to 24, less the South 35.00 feet of Lots 19 to 24, of Block 14, Unit A, Addition to Lake Butler, as recorded in the Public Records of Union County, Florida, and all that part of the Ohio Street right-of-way lying East of County Road 231 and lying Westerly of the Northerly projection of the Easterly line of Lots 6 and 19, Block 14 of Unit A, Addition to Lake Butler, as recorded in the Public Records of Union County, Florida.
Containing 0.85 acre, more or less. At the aforementioned public hearing, all interested parties may appear to be heard with respect to the amendment.
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A parcel of land lying in Section 30, Township 5 South, Range 20 East, Union County, Florida. Being more particularly describes as follows: Lots 1 to 6 and Lots 19 to 24, less the South 35.00 feet of Lots 19 to 24, of Block 14, Unit A, Addition to Lake Butler, as recorded in the Public Records of Union County, Florida, and all that part of the Ohio Street right-of-way lying East of County Road 231 and lying Westerly of the Northerly projection of the Easterly line of Lots 6 and 19, Block 14 of Unit A, Addition to Lake Butler, as recorded in the Public Records of Union County, Florida.

Containing 0.85 acre, more or less. At the aforementioned public hearing, all interested parties may appear to be heard with respect to the amendment. Copies of the amendment are available for public inspection, at the Office of the Board of County Commissioners, located at 15 Northeast First Street, Lake Butler, Florida, during regular business hours.

All persons are advised that if they decide to appeal any decision made at the above referenced public hearing, they will need a record of the proceedings, and that, for such purpose, they may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceeding is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. Persons with disabilities requesting reasonable accommodations to participate in this proceeding should contact Dianne Hannon, Secretary to the Board of County Commissioners at 386.496.4241 at least 48 hours prior to the meeting. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the Florida Relay Service at 800.955.8770 (voice) or 800.955.8771 (TTY).

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NOTICE OF ENACTMENT OF ORDINANCE BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF UNION COUNTY, FLORIDA. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the ordinance, which title hereinafter appears will be considered for enactment by the Board of County Commissioners of Union County, Florida, at a public hearing on September 25, 2023 at 5:20 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard, in the Board of County Commissioners Meeting Room, County Courthouse located at 55 West Main Street, Lake Butler, Florida. A copy of said ordinance may be inspected by any member of the public at the Office of the Board of County Commissioners, located at 15 Northeast First Street, Lake Butler, Florida, during regular business hours. On the date, time and place first above mentioned, all interested persons may appear and be heard with respect to the ordinance. The ordinance was previously noticed for a public hearing on August 21, 2023. The title of said ordinance reads, as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-05
AN ORDINANCE OF UNION COUNTY, FLORIDA, RELATING TO AN AMENDMENT OF LESS THAN 50 ACRES OF LAND TO THE FUTURE LAND USE PLAN MAP OF THE UNION COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, PURSUANT TO AN APPLICATION, CPA 23-02, BY THE PROPERTY OWNERS OF SAID ACREAGE, UNDER AMENDMENT PROCEDURES ESTABLISHED IN SECTION 163.3161 THROUGH 163.3248, FLORIDA STATUTES, AS AMENDED; PROVIDING FOR CHANGING THE FUTURE LAND USE CLASSIFICATION FROM RESIDENTIAL, LOW DENSITY (LESS THAN OR EQUAL TO 2 DWELLING UNITS PER ACRE) TO COMMERCIAL OF CERTAIN LANDS WITHIN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA OF UNION COUNTY, FLORIDA; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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ORDINANCE NO. 2023-06
AN ORDINANCE OF UNION COUNTY, FLORIDA, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 95-4, AS AMENDED; RELATING TO THE REZONING OF LESS THAN TEN CONTIGUOUS ACRES OF LAND, PURSUANT TO AN APPLICATION, Z 23-02, BY THE PROPERTY OWNERS OF SAID ACREAGE, TO AMEND THE OFFICIAL ZONING ATLAS OF THE UNION COUNTY LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS; PROVIDING FOR REZONING FROM RESIDENTIAL, (MIXED) SINGLE FAMILY/MOBILE HOME-1 (RSF/MH-1) TO COMMERCIAL, GENERAL (CG) OF CERTAIN LANDS WITHIN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA OF UNION COUNTY, FLORIDA; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR UNION COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO. 23000044CAAXMX
CARRINGTON MORTGAGE SERVICES, LLC, Plaintiff, vs. TANNER TEMPIO; MORGAN ELIZABETH LAMOREUX, ET AL. Defendants

NOTICE OF ACTION
To the following Defendant(s): TANNER TEMPIO (CURRENT RESIDENCE UNKNOWN) Last Known Address: 4161 TRIESTE PLACE, JACKSONVILLE, FL 32244 YOU ARE HEREBY NOTICED THAT an action for Foreclosure of Mortgage on the following described property: ALL THAT CERTAIN LAND SITUATED IN UNION COUNTY, FLORIDA, TO WIT: A PARCEL OF LAND LYING IN PORTIONS OF THE NE 1/4 OF NE 1/4 OF SECTION 35 AND PORTIONS OF THE NW 1/4 OF NW 1/4 OF SECTION 36, TOWNSHIP 4 SOUTH, RANGE 21 EAST, UNION COUNTY, FLORIDA, SAID PARCEL BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCE AT A SET 1/2 INCH

IRON ROD LOCATED AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE NW 1/4 OF NW 1/4 OF SAID SECTION 36, AND RUN NORTH 00 DEGREES 12 MINUTES 18 SECONDS WEST, ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SAID NW 1/4 OF NW 1/4 OF SECTION 36, FOR A DISTANCE OF 21.97 FEET TO A SET 1/2 INCH IRON ROD LOCATED ON THE NORTHEASTERLY RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF COUNTY ROAD 125 (AN 80 FOOT RIGHT OF WAY), FOR THE POINT OF BEGINNING. FROM THE POINT OF BEGINNING THUS DESCRIBED, CONTINUE NORTH 00 DEGREES 12 MINUTES 18 SECONDS WEST, ALONG THE WEST LINE OF NW 1/4 OF NW 1/4 OF SECTION 36, FOR A DISTANCE OF 28.03 FEET TO A SET 1/2 INCH IRON ROD LOCATED AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF A PARCEL OF LAND OWNED BY THE NEW RIVER CONGREGATIONAL METHODIST CHURCH OF UNION COUNTY, FLORIDA (AS FILED AND RECORDED ON APRIL 2, 1969 IN THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF UNION COUNTY, FLORIDA); THENCE RUN NORTH 89 DEGREES 18 MINUTES 37 SECONDS EAST, PARALLEL WITH THE SOUTH LINE OF NW 1/4 OF NW 1/4 OF SECTION 36 AND ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF LAST SAID CHURCH PARCEL, FOR A DISTANCE OF 210.00 FEET TO A SET 1/2 INCH IRON ROD LOCATED AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LAST SAID CHURCH PARCEL; THENCE RUN NORTH 00 DEGREES 12 MINUTES 18 SECONDS WEST, PARALLEL WITH THE WEST LINE OF NW 1/4 OF NW 1/4 OF SECTION 36, FOR A DISTANCE OF 210.00 FEET TO A SET 1/2 INCH IRON ROD, THENCE RUN SOUTH 89 DEGREES 18 MINUTES 37 SECONDS WEST PARALLEL WITH THE SOUTH LINE OF NW 1/4 OF NW 1/4 OF SECTION 36, FOR A DISTANCE OF 390.05 FEET TO A SET 1/2 INCH IRON ROD LOCATED ON THE NORTHEASTERLY RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF COUNTY ROAD 125; THENCE RUN SOUTH 37 DEGREES 29 MINUTES 10 SECONDS EAST, ALONG LAST SAID NORTHEASTERLY RIGHT OF WAY, FOR A DISTANCE OF 297.24 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

TOGETHER WITH THAT CERTAIN 1988 DOUBLEWIDE MOBILE HOME BEARING ID #K425E0261GAA AND K425E0261GAB LOCATED THEREON, AND TITLES RETIRED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 405, PAGE 298 PUBLIC RECORDS OF UNION COUNTY, FLORIDA. A/K/A 27175 NE COUNTY ROAD 125, LAWTEY FL 32058 has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to J. Anthony Van Ness, Esq. at VAN NESS LAW FIRM, PLC, Attorney for the Plaintiff, whose address is 1239 E. NEWPORT CENTER DRIVE SUITE #110, DEERFIELD BEACH, FL 33442 on or before October 5th, 2023 and file the original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney of 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 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@circuit8.org. WITNESS my hand and the seal of this Court this 6th day of September, 2023 KELLIE HENDRICKS RHOADES UNION COUNTY CLERK OF COURT BY: CRYSTAL NORMAN As Deputy Clerk

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BUDGET HEARING
The City of Lake Butler City Commission will hold a PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING on Thursday, September 14, 2023 at 6pm at City Hall located at 200 SW 1st Street Lake Butler, FL 32054 for the presentation of the tentative 2023-2024 fiscal year annual operating budget and tentative millage rate.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR UNION COUNTY, FLORIDA
Case No. 2023-CP-000016

In Re: The Estate of HOWARD GENE LUNA, Deceased

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
The administration of the estate of Howard Luna, deceased, Case Number 2023-CP-000016 is pending in the Circuit Court for Union County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 5225 NW 64th Blvd, Gainesville, FL 32653. 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 the decedent's estate or whom a copy of this notice is served must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE 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 all 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 SO FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN THIS SECTION 933.702 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 DEATH IS BARRED. The date of first publication of this Notice is September 14, 2023. Attorney for Petitioner: /s/Martin D. Schwebel MARTIN D. SCHWEBEL, ESQUIRE SANDRA MACKENZIE Florida Bar No. 442267 1516 East Colonial Drive, Suite 100 Orlando, Florida 32803 (407) 896-6633 - Telephone (407) 896-8890 - Facsimile Petitioner: /s/ Sandra Mac Kenzie

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ing/finance department. Salary Range: \$45,000 - \$50,000 annually. Cover Letter, resume, and references will be accepted through (insert date) sent by physical delivery to "Finance Director Position", City of Lake Butler, 200 SW 1st Street, Lake Butler, FL 32054. Or by email addressed to: hpage@cityoflakebutler.com. Applicants are invited to visit www.cityoflake-

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Obituaries

Lila Barber

Lila Barber was called home to be with her Lord and Savior, Sunday, Sept. 3, 2023. She was born at home in Worthington Springs. She thought on Feb. 9, 1936, but had to change the date to Feb. 10, 1936, to match her vehicle operator license due to a Social Security error. She traveled and worked at various Department of Corrections institutions as her husband was promoting. She is known by the affectionate nickname "Monkey" that her grandchildren, family, and work locations gave her. She spent many years working for Lake Butler Elementary School, where the name "Monkey" continued. She lost her first husband, Tom Dowling, in 1979 and found Ted Barber at the Livestock Market Restaurant in Gainesville. The two married on Nov. 11, 1982, at Sardis Baptist Church and were blessed to have 41 years together. Her first love was the Lord God, and she treasured her family! The cookie jar was always full, and soft drinks were available. She put family first and her greatest regret was that her illness would take her away from being able to care for the family. She loved her Order of the Eastern Star and even served as Worthy Matron of the Lake Butler Chapter Number 40 many times. She served as the Grand Representative to Idaho and enjoyed that honor. She loved Sardis Baptist Church and all the members. She and Tom had two children, Dennis, and Denise Dowling Anderson. Ted and his first wife, Frances Kirkpatrick, had Ted Jr. and Jennifer Shumway. And together, Ted and Lila were blessed to have 11 grand and 14 great-grandchildren. Ted wants all to work at thinking, saying, and doing what honors the Lord. And he knows he is "too blessed to be stressed."

A service to honor her was held Wednesday, Sept. 6, at Sardis Baptist Church. The family received friends for a visitation prior to the service. She was laid to rest immediately following the service at Elzey Chapel Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to the Lake Butler Chapter #40, Order of the Eastern Star, PO Box 643, Lake Butler 32054.

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



PAID OBITUARY

Robert Brice

Robert John Brice, 78, of Lawley, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, Aug. 30, 2023, at his daughter's residence, with his loving family by his side. He was born in Syracuse, New York on March 28, 1945, to the late Arnold Clarence Brice Sr. and Marian Louise Brice. He was raised in Monticello, New York and relocated to Bradford County as a teenager. Early in life, he helped his father work on automobiles, which was a passion that continued throughout his life. He loved being a mechanic and used his mechanical skills to help many folks who were less fortunate. After graduating from Bradford High School, he enlisted in the United States Army and proudly served for four years. During his time of service, he started dating his best friend and forever companion, Wordna Virginia Prevatt, and they were happily married in 1963. Following his honorable discharge, he drove semi-trucks for a short season until starting his longtime career with the Department of Corrections. He dedicated 41 years with the department and retired on June 30, 2000, from Lawley Correctional Institution as a sergeant and assistant food director. He was filled with life, and he brought smiles, laughter, and joy to all those around him. He loved helping people, singing to his bluegrass tunes, restoring cars, and winning on scratch-off tickets, loved children, especially his grandchildren. Most of all, he loved spending time with his family and friends and making great memories. He was preceded in death by his parents; daughter, Pamela Brice; brother, Richard Brice; and sister, Betty Jean Brice.

He is survived by his loving wife, Wordna Virginia Prevatt Brice of Lawley; children, Robert Brice and Jason Brice, both of Lawley, and Jodie (Lawrence) Andrews of Jacksonville; brother, Arnold Clarence (Susan) Brice Jr. of Lawley; sister, Patricia Ford of Lawley; grandchildren, Kristin (Justin) Sturgis, Brittany (Carrie) Freeman, Cameron (MaKayla) Farmer, Jeffery (Jessica) Morrow, Jessica (Steven) Paige, Joey (Brittany) Austin, Robbie Brice, and Heather Brice; great-grandchildren, Little Robbie Sky, Cole, Evan, Caleb, Nicholas, Aiden, Ashton, Kelliana, Angela, Hayden, Hunter, Harmony, L. J., Jaxson, Ezekiel, Sommer, Makaila, Justine, Destiny, Camdyn, Taylor, McKenzie, Cason, Paisley, Cassie, Paisley, and Madison; along with many extended family members and friends.

A Celebration of Life will be held on Friday, Sept. 15, at 4 p.m. at Archie Tanner Memorial Chapel with Brother John Frampton officiating.

Arrangements are under the care and direction of V. Todd Ferreira Funeral Services and Archie Tanner Memorial Chapel, Starke, 904-964-5757. Visit www.ferreirafuneralservices.com to sign the family's guest book.

PAID OBITUARY



Theodore Lee Jr.

Theodore Roosevelt Lee Jr. was a remarkable individual whose presence brought joy and laughter to all those around him. Born on May 20, 1951, to the late Theodore Roosevelt and Adline Martin Lee, he was a lifelong resident of Lake Butler. He dedicated many years of his life to working at the sawmill. However, he was a jack of all trades who could, and would, take on any project or task that needed to be dealt with. He was also an artist who enjoyed painting. His outgoing personality and infectious laugh will be missed by all who knew him. On Friday, Sept. 8, 2023, the Lord saw fit to call him home. He was preceded in death by his beloved family members, Doris Williams of Alachua; Doris Thomas of Lawley; and Geraldine Lee of Lake Butler.

He is survived by his loving wife of 33 years, Michelle Lee of Lake Butler; brother, Theodore (Regina) Thomas of Lake Butler; brothers, James Lee of Lake Butler, Joe Thomas of Gainesville, and Herman Thomas of Lake Butler; Curtis (Candace) Thomas of Lake Butler; Thurman Thomas of Lake Butler; Alma Thomas of Lake Butler; Juanita Thomas of Lake Butler; Regina (Gregory) Merricks of Lake Butler; and Patricia Goodman of Lake Butler. He is also survived by his children and grandchildren, Carla Lee (Clayton) Lovette, Denise Morrisette, Renee Morrisette, Kenneth Morrisette, and Cassandra (George) Underwood, Victor Valentine Jr., Olivia and Justice Kelly, James Mobley, Brooklyn and Kingston Underwood. In addition, he leaves behind a host of cousins, nieces, nephews, and countless friends who all share in the loss of his presence.

His memorial service will be held at the Archer-Milton Funeral Home, 55 N. Lake Ave., Lake Butler, 32054, on Saturday, Sept. 23, at 11 a.m.

He was a remarkable man who touched the lives and hearts of those fortunate enough to know him. His laughter will echo in our memories as we carry on his legacy of kindness and joy.

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Elizabeth Blevins

Elizabeth Croft Blevins of Lulu passed away peacefully at Haven Hospice in Lake City on Friday, Sept. 8, 2023. She was born to James B. Carter Sr. and Juanita Gilley Carter on Feb. 5, 1934, at their home in Dixie County. She loved spending time with her children and grandchildren. She enjoyed gardening and dancing and was a lifelong student, thinking it was never too late to learn. Among the many courses she took in her life were Cosmetology, Student Practical Nurse, Registered Medical Assistant and Block Mason, even though she never laid a block! While she avoided titles, she was a licensed preacher and pastor for five years at The United Church of Jesus Christ of Apostolic Pentecostal Faith Inc. that she helped found with five other members. She was passionate about spreading the word of God, even appearing on the Christian Broadcasting Network on the "Amazing Grace" program. In her lifetime she attended several churches of many denominations, spreading the Good News. According to several of her children, grandchildren, relatives and friends, her influence on them led them to seek their salvation. Among her many other talents were songwriting and singing. She belonged to a singing group that traveled around singing at different events. She would spend many hours in studying the Bible. She compiled information that she had planned to turn into a book, explaining the oneness way. However, her eyesight became too poor to continue this endeavor. She was married to Delbert H Croft Sr. for 43 years together, they raised five children, Martha Tilton, Jane (Louis) Hess, Delbert H. (Sherry) Croft Jr., Alan Croft and Alisa (James) Maddux. She had 19 grandchildren, 26 great-grandchildren, and 14 great-great-grandchildren. Later in life, she found love again and married Carl Blevins, and they were married for 18 years. She was so happy to have Carl to share the rest of her life. She was preceded in death by her daughter, Barbara Jean Alford (3/23/1952); husband, Delbert H. Croft Sr. (9/8/1995); grandsons, William B. "Scooter" Jackson (12/30/21); Robert Samuel (10/20/18) and Jon Eric Sanders (9/6/03); and granddaughter, Ariel Bonnie Croft (7/6/07).

A service to honor her was held Tuesday, Sept. 12, at Archer-Milton Funeral Home. The family received friends for a visitation prior to the service. She was laid to rest immediately following the service at the New Beginnings Apostolic Church Cemetery in Lulu. A meal was provided after the services. Pastor Larry Carmody officiated the services.

Arrangements are under the care and direction of Archer-Milton Funeral Home, Lake Butler. 386-496-2008 www.archerfuneralhome.com

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Amy Dagenais

Ms. Amy Suzanne Dagenais, 29, of Keystone Heights, passed away unexpectedly on Tuesday, Sept. 5, 2023, at Mayo Hospital in Jacksonville. She was born June 25, 1994, in Jacksonville. She graduated high school from Trinity Christian Academy in Jacksonville in 2012 and Jacksonville University with a Bachelor of Music Education in 2016. Her teaching career in music began in 2016 at Wilkinson Elementary in Clay County. She then began studies at Maryville University in St. Louis, Missouri to earn her certificate in Music Therapy. Her passion for music began at a young age and she became an accomplished musician, which included: piano, flute, piccolo, marimba, and guitar to name a few. Her joy of music showed throughout her daily life by putting a smile on someone's face or joy in their heart. Not only was she musically talented, but she could also do anything she put her mind to. She enjoyed cooking and crafts of all kinds, especially D.I.Y. projects. Throughout her life, she also worshiped and served the Lord in her local churches with her musical talents, but also with her love for youth and children's ministries. She enjoyed playing in the orchestra and leading worship on the praise teams at First Baptist Church of Jacksonville and Fellowship of Wildwood (Missouri). Recently she had been attending Trinity Baptist Church in Keystone.

She is survived by her loving parents, David and Susan (Beckham) Dagenais of Keystone Heights; a sister, Melissa (Jordan) Morgan of Tampa Bay; and her nephew, Miles Morgan; as well as a brother, Matthew (Stephanie) Dagenais of Jacksonville. She is also remembered by many aunts, uncles, cousins, extended family members and friends.

Funeral services were held Monday, Sept. 11, at Trinity Baptist Church. Pastor Brandon Denmark and Rev. Dan Elkins officiated. Interment followed at Keystone Heights Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made to Jacksonville University Music Therapy Program, Office of University Advancement Jacksonville University, 2800 University Blvd. N., Jacksonville, 32211-3394.

Arrangements are by Jones-Gallagher Funeral Home, 340 E. Walker Drive, Keystone Heights 32656. 352-473-3176. www.jonesgallagherfh.com

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Phyllis Nobles

Phyllis Nobles, 76, loving mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother passed away on the afternoon of Thursday, Aug. 25, 2023, after a battle with renal failure causing heart complications. She was born June 27, 1947, in Gainesville and grew up in Starke, the daughter of the late Charles and Virginia Darby. She had one brother, Arthur Michael "Mike" Darby, and two sisters, Virginia Darby Johns, and the late Nancy Lee Darby Akridge. She graduated in 1965 from Bradford High School. She was very devoted and active in Christ Church (formerly Mandarin Christian Church), from attending Sunday services to teaching Sunday school for many years. She loved her job working for Sherrod Vans as their accounting manager. She was very dedicated to the company until the day she passed. She was a very loving, kind, selfless, and wonderful woman who never hesitated to do anything for anyone. She met her husband, Robert Nobles, in 1965 and married in June of 1966. They went on to have two sons, Charles and Michael Nobles. Her son, Michael, upgraded her name from mother to grandmother in 1998 with his daughter, Sierra, who in 2017 and 2022 gave her the name great-grandmother to Addilyn Rose and Kylan Richmond. From mother to great-grandmother, she was never anything but kind, generous, and imaginative, and always had the perfect things to say.

The service will be held at Mandarin Cemetery on Saturday, Sept. 16, at 10 a.m. Reception to follow at Christ Church.

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Phyllis Price

Mrs. Phyllis Marie Collins Price, 94, of Keystone Heights passed away Tuesday, Sept. 5, 2023, at Haven Hospice Roberts Care Center in Palatka, following a brief illness. She was born April 5, 1929, in Mannington, West Virginia to Miles and Gale (Gump) Gregg. She was a homemaker and a longtime member of the First Baptist Church where she was actively involved in many areas. She enjoyed sewing, growing roses, cooking for family and friends, camping, and being active and social in her community. Most of all, she was known for the love she had for her Lord and Savior, along with being a loving and dedicated wife, mother, and grandma. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by husbands, Jack D. Collins and Jimmy Price.

Survivors are her six children, Richard (Shauna) Collins of Keystone Heights, Darlene (Scott) Given of Raleigh, North Carolina, Diane (Jimmy) Woods of Vidalia, Georgia, Michael Collins of Tucson, Arizona, Janice Vogel of Santa Fe, New Mexico, and Janet Wycarver of Orlando; along with two sisters, Glenda Long of Eustis, and Lee Smith of Dalhart, Texas. She was lovingly called "Grandma" by nine grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren.

A Celebration of Life will be held Saturday, Sept. 16, at 11 a.m., at the First Baptist Church with a reception to follow. Pastor Ryan Begue will be officiating the service. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made to the First Baptist Church, 550 E. Walker Drive, Keystone Heights 32656.

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Kenneth C. Grider

Kenneth Carl Grider, 93, of Starke passed away Thursday, Sept. 7, 2023, at Riverwood Health and Rehab, surrounded by his loving family. He was born Feb. 10, 1930, in High Springs to the late Rufus Haskell and Nancy Ann Elizabeth (Eldridge) Grider and was a lifetime area resident. He was a member of the Bradford High School Class of 1949. He played football, was class president and was voted "Best All Around" by fellow classmates. At graduation, he was presented with the Bausch and Lomb award for outstanding achievements in science. Following graduation, he attended the University of Florida before joining the Army. His basic training was at Fort Jackson, followed by service during the Korean Conflict. After his discharge, he worked for Denmark Furniture for over 43 years. He was the oldest member of St. Mark's Episcopal Church, where he served as junior warden, senior warden, treasurer, and lay reader. He also sang in the choir. He was a member of American Legion Post #56 and served as past post commander and treasurer. He will be remembered for his easygoing, patient personality and wonderful sense of humor. He enjoyed many fun times at Kingsley Lake and George's Lake with family and friends. Preceding him in death were sister, Marjorie Douville; and brother, Buddy Grider.

Survivors are, his wife of 67 years, Jacquelin Ann (Parker) Grider of Starke; daughters, Catherine Grider of Monticello, and Nancy Grider of Gainesville; brother, Lloyd Grider of Starke; and multiple fur babies. Also left are many nieces and nephews.

The family will receive friends at St. Mark's Episcopal Church Parrish Hall on Friday, Sept. 15, from 5 p.m. until 7 p.m. Memorial services will be Saturday, Sept. 16, at 2 p.m. at St. Mark's Episcopal Church. A reception will follow the services in the Parrish Hall. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to St. Mark's Foundation, PO Box 487, Starke 32091, or Haven Hospice, 4200 N.W. 90th Blvd., Gainesville 32606.

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Tornadoes score 26 in 1st half, defeat Broncos 32-7

BY CLIFF SMELLEY
Telegraph Staff Writer

Dae'Jon Shanks threw for two scores and rushed for another, complementing the usual strong play from defense and special teams in the Bradford High School football team's 32-7 win over host Middleburg on Sept. 8.

The Tornadoes (3-0) have outscored their opponents so far this season by a combined score of 84-13.

"Like I told (the players), the only thing better than 2-0 is 3-0," Head Coach Jamie Rodgers said. "The only thing better than 3-0 is 4-0, so we'll work at it."

Rodgers said Bradford will "try to keep progressing on both sides of the ball" as it prepares to host fellow Class 2S team Eastside on Friday, Sept. 15, at 7:30 p.m.

The lone score for the Class 3S Broncos (0-2) benefitted from consecutive pass-interference and unsportsmanlike-conduct penalties, which took Middleburg from the Bradford 36-yard line to the 13.

"A couple of those penalties, man — I try not to say this very often, but that helped them score," Rodgers said.

Middleburg's offense (outside of the penalties) gained 40 yards on that drive. The Broncos' remaining 11 possessions netted 75 yards.

The Tornadoes received the opening kickoff and avoided going three-and-out when running back Willie Pollard caught a Shanks pass for a 26-yard gain to the Middleburg 36. An unsportsmanlike-conduct penalty against Middleburg after the following play moved the Tornadoes to the 19-yard line. Shanks and Pollard each had a run of 7 yards to set up first-and-goal at the 5. Three plays later, Branden Williams lined up to take the snap and ran for a 5-yard touchdown at the 7:10 mark of the first quarter. Williams was held short of the end zone on the two-point conversion attempt.

Torin Brazell and Trente Jenkins teamed up to tackle running back Kendric O'Neal on the Broncos' first offensive play. Middleburg's second play resulted in Chalil Cummings intercepting a pass and setting up first-and-goal for the Tornadoes at the 8-yard line.

A 4-yard run by Williams set Shanks up for a 4-yard touchdown run that put Bradford up 12-0 with 5:12 remaining in the first quarter. Shanks' pass to Williams on the conversion attempt was incomplete.

Middleburg crossed midfield on its third series when Carson Steward and Jaybo Jenkins connected on a 14-yard pass play to the Bradford 36. The Tornadoes were penalized for pass interference on the next play, moving the ball to the 21. Brazell then tackled Jenkins for a 5-yard loss, but an unsportsmanlike-conduct penalty gave the Broncos a first down at the 13. Middleburg was able to recover a fumble on a pass play, resulting in first-and-goal at the 3. O'Neal plunged into the end zone on a run from there. Kaleb Robison kicked the extra point to make the score 12-7 approximately two minutes into the second quarter.

The Tornadoes were penalized for unsportsmanlike conduct again following the Middleburg score. The second such penalty in three plays baffled Rodgers.

"These guys are excited about playing football and having a good time and clapping and hugging each other," he said. "They didn't do anything toward the other team. I thought that was very, very unfair toward our guys who play hard."

With a little bit of momentum on their side, the Broncos forced the Bradford offense to go three-and-out. Middleburg, however, muffed the punt, with Jyquez Cason falling on the loose ball for the Tornadoes at their own 49.

With new life, the Bradford offense promptly responded with a 26-yard pass completion from Shanks to Cummings. Pollard then took a handoff up the middle for a 25-yard touchdown to make the score 18-7 with 7:51 remaining in the quarter. The pass on the conversion attempt was incomplete.

A sack by Chason Clark helped

force Middleburg to punt on its next possession. Cason made his second big special-teams play of the night when he blocked the punt, giving Bradford the ball at the Middleburg 19.

The Tornadoes needed just one play to extend their lead, with Elijah Kellum catching a pass in the end zone. After Pollard's successful run on the conversion attempt, Bradford led 26-7 with approximately six minutes left until halftime.

Bradford's special teams have made big plays in every game so far this season.

"We take a lot of pride in it," Rodgers said. "We work hard at it two days a week. We spend a lot of time on special teams. As you've seen over the last couple of years, it's paid off a lot. We've had a lot of kick returns for touchdowns. We've had a lot of blocked punts. We've had a lot of huge plays that make a big difference in a game. Tonight, we were able to make another couple."

A special-teams play hurt the Broncos on their first possession of the second half, when their punter failed to handle the snap. He simply fell on the loose ball, giving the Tornadoes possession at the Middleburg 37-yard line.

Shanks immediately had a 21-yard run, but Bradford later turned the ball over on a fumble on a fourth-down play.

The next time the Tornadoes had the ball, Shanks, who rushed for 68 yards on 12 carries, had another big run, gaining 22 yards and giving Bradford a first down at the Middleburg 26. Shanks threw an 11-yard pass to Cummings before hooking up with Kellum for a 15-yard touchdown and the final score of the night with 5:22 to play in the third quarter. The pass on the conversion attempt was incomplete.

Shanks finished with 163 yards rushing and passing, completing 6 of 11 passes for 95 yards. After missing most of last season with nagging injuries, Shanks is averaging 151 yards rushing and passing per game.

"We pull very hard for him," Rodgers said. "We want success for him. He works hard. success for him. He works hard. He's a laid-back kid. He acts like a whole lot doesn't bother him most of the time, but he wants to play well. He wants to be successful for our team."

Pass-interference and targeting penalties helped Middleburg drive to the Bradford 10 late in the third quarter. A couple of Jenkins runs moved the Broncos to the 4. After an incomplete pass, Stewart kept the ball on fourth down and was tackled for a 1-yard loss.

On the first play following the change of possession, Bradford fumbled, with the Broncos recovering at the 8-yard line. Jenkins got the ball on a reverse, only to be tripped up by Duke Lewis for a 4-yard loss. Middleburg then threw three straight incomplete passes, turning the ball over on downs at the 12-yard line.

Bradford's offense was able to flip the field, driving inside the Middleburg 40 before a Jeremiah McKenzie punt was downed at the Broncos' 3-yard line.

The Tornadoes finished 291 yards of offense. Pollard rushed for 55 yards on 11 carries, while Williams had 45 yards on eight carries.

Kellum caught two passes for 34 yards, while Cummings caught three for 37 yards.

This week's opponent is looking to bounce back from its first loss. Eastside (2-1) has wins over Inlet Grove and Keystone Heights by a combined score of 63-9, but the Rams fell 35-0 to Class 4S Buchholz last week.

Tigers lose 31-28 on field goal in overtime

BY ANTONIO HENDERSON
Special to the Telegraph-Times-Monitor

Walton's Eric Joyner connected on his fourth field goal of the night, leading the Braves to a 31-28 overtime win over the Union County High School football team on Sept. 8 in DeFuniak Springs.

The teams played a scoreless first overtime before the Braves (3-0) won it in the second.

Union (1-1) held a slight advantage in total yards (381-352) over the Class 2S playoff

qualifier from last year, but couldn't hold onto a 28-22 lead late in the fourth quarter.

The Tigers, who traveled more than three hours to play the game, scored first, cashing in on a fumble recovery by Blake McCoy at the Walton 29. Gavin Jenkins caught a 25-yard touchdown pass from Trenton Klein. Thomas Williams' run on the conversion attempt was successful, putting Union up 8-0.

Joyner kicked a 32-yard field goal to make it 8-3, which is where the score stood entering the second quarter. He added a 47-yard field goal to cut the Tigers' lead to two.

Walton quarterback Wells Bettenhausen threw a 40-yard touchdown pass to give the Braves their first lead. Joyner kicked the extra point to make the score 13-8.

Klein, who rushed for 45 yards on 13 carries, took off for an 8-yard touchdown run, making the score 14-13, with the Tigers failing to get the two-point conversion.

Joyner came up with another big kick, making a 37-yard field goal as the Braves retook the lead and entered halftime leading 16-14.

Union missed a scoring opportunity on a turnover on downs at the Walton 8-yard line, but the defense forced a turnover with Dayquan Diston interception, which put the Tigers at the Braves' 29-yard line. Cole Austin, who rushed for 42 yards on 14 carries, scored on a 16-yard touchdown, giving Union a 20-16 lead. The conversion attempt failed.

Walton went back up on a Bettenhausen touchdown pass in the fourth quarter, making the score 22-20. The Braves' pass on the conversion attempt was incomplete.

Diston, who rushed 64 yards on just three carries, made a huge play with his arm when he threw a 35-yard touchdown pass to Jenkins. Brycen Boney's run on the conversion attempt put the Tigers ahead 28-22.

Jenkins finished the game with three receptions for 92 yards.

The Tigers missed a scoring opportunity when they turned the ball over on downs at the Walton 18.

Bettenhausen, who completed 17 of 29 passes for 310 yards, threw his third touchdown pass the night to tie the score. The Braves failed on their two-point conversion attempt, ultimately sending the game into overtime.

Union finished with 282 rushing yards. Bobo Woodall had 64 yards on 15 carries, while Williams had 44 yards on seven carries.

Klein was 4 of 9 passing for 59 yards.

Williams led the defense with six tackles, while Boney and Diston each had five.

The Tigers are now set to play three straight home games, beginning with its Friday, Sept. 15 matchup against P.K. Yonge, Kickoff is 7:30 p.m.

P.K. Yonge, a Class 1S team, is 2-0 after defeating Mount Dora Christian Academy 22-20 last week.

Keystone drops to 0-2 with 49-26 loss

BY DAN HILDEBRAN
Telegraph-Times-Monitor
General Manager

KEYSTONE HEIGHTS—Visiting Ft. White jumped out to an early two-touchdown lead and entered the locker room leading 42-7. However, Keystone Heights (0-2) fought back, scoring 21 second-half points for a final of 49-26.

The visiting Indians relied on their team speed and the arm of quarterback Jayden Jackson, who completed 14 of 23 passes for 239 yards and three touchdowns.

Jackson's only blemish for the night was a second-quarter interception by Keystone's Bryce Hollingsworth in the Keystone end zone.

A 45-yard pass from Baylor Ford to Wyatt Van Zant sparked Keystone's first score. Two plays later, from the Ft. White 20, Cartez Daniels broke tackles and spun his way to the end zone, putting the Indians on the board trailing 14-7 following Tyler Sapp's extra point with 1:29 remaining in the first quarter.

Keystone struck again in the third period with a six-play drive highlighted by runs of 7 and 2 yards by Colton Hollingsworth

and rushes of 6, 4, 9 and 40 yards by Daniels. The senior Daniels finished the campaign with his 40-yarder, cutting right after breaking the line of scrimmage and stiff-arming a Ft. White defensive back to reach paydirt. Sapp's PAT closed the home team's deficit to 49-14 with 4:46 remaining in the third quarter.

Keystone retook possession after Talen Messina recovered a Ft. White fumble, and the Indians wasted no time capitalizing on the turnover. Ford connected with Garrison Teague for a 37-yard touchdown pass. The Indians' two-point conversion attempt failed, leaving the score at 49-20 at the end of the third quarter.

Keystone scored one last time as time ran out in the fourth, with Daniels capping an 11-play drive on a 25-yard gallop.

After the game, Keystone Coach Steve Reynolds said he was proud of how his team kept fighting after falling behind early. "It didn't work out for us the way we wanted," the coach said, "but I think they played hard. I think Coach Reynolds has got to do a better job of getting them ready to play ball games."

Reynolds added that Ft. White's physical play and team speed were more than his squad could handle.

"When you play a Ft. White team, you're going to get a disciplined team," he said. "They're not going to get many penalties. You're going to play a physical team, so you've got to match their physicality, and then you're going to play a team that will have great speed, and you've got to be able to contain that speed. So, those three factors, I think, were the keys to how the game shook out."

"We're not playing our best football yet," Reynolds continued. "I think our best football's ahead of us, but we've got some good ones coming up."

Reynolds then ticked off his squad's upcoming challenges, including an Interlachen team that won 10 games last year and Bradford, who made it to the state semifinals last year, losing to eventual state champion Cocoa.

"So we're going to heal up and see what we can do," Reynolds said.

Keystone hosts Bell (0-3) Friday, Sept. 15, at 7:30.

Olivia Griffin places 2nd for Indians at Clay Co. Invitational

BY CLIFF SMELLEY
Telegraph Staff Writer

Keystone Heights High School got a runner-up finish from Olivia Griffin, while its boys team placed fifth at the Sept. 9 Clay County Cross Country Invitational in Green Cove Springs.

Griffin's time of 20:33 put her one second ahead of Providence's Emma Akhundjanov in the 123-runner field. St. Johns Country Day's Rebecca Stratton took first with a time of 19:54.

Keystone's Melody Tyre also placed in the top half of the field with a 43rd-place time of 25:08.

The Indians also had the following girls results: Cali Chamberlain 26:37, Brook Gaudons 26:59, Alonah Neeld 27:09, Ella Hutchins 28:41, Madilyn Miller 31:57, Clara Beth Robinson 32:06 and Schiley Starling 33:22.

Tyler Griffin led the boys team with an 18th-place time of 18:03. Eight of his teammates also finished in the top half of the 169-runner field. Ryder Thomas and Anthony Peak each ran 19:25, placing 35th and 36th, while Hunter Sheppard was 37th with a time of 19:26. Jaden Park was 52nd with a time of 20:19, Bryce Huntley 56th with a time of 20:27, Jason Parales 78th with a time of 21:53, Josiah Durrenberger 79th with a time of 21:54 and Kipton Spence 84th with a time of 22:00.

The Indians also had the following results: Mason Gray 24:04, Oliver Miller 25:01, Hunter Gray 27:20 and Eli Rabe 27:23.

In the team standings, Keystone placed behind Providence, Menendez, Suwanne and Ridgeview.

Keystone's Ryleigh Thomas ran in the middle-school girls race, placing 49th out of 146 with a time of 14:23.

The Indians also had a runner in the middle-school boys race: Lucas Rabe, who had a time of 18:18.

Prior to the Clay Invitational, Keystone took part in the

Sept. 2 Ridgeview Bob Hans Invitational, with Tyler Griffin and Thomas earning 37th- and 46th-place finishes in the 204-member boys field. Griffin had a time of 18:41, while Thomas ran 18:58.

The boys also had the following results: Peak 21:21, Park 21:25, Sheppard 21:32, Huntley 22:04, Spence 22:08 and Parales 22:09.

Olivia Griffin placed 43rd out of 148 in the girls race with a time of 22:46. Tyre and Chamberlain had times of 26:31 and 28:00, respectively, while Gaudons ran 32:22.

Keystone had the following results in the junior varsity boys race: Hunter Gray 26:03, Mason Gray 26:49, Rabe 29:20 and Miller 30:24.

In the JV girls race, Neeld had a time of 27:53, followed by Elyn Reddish 29:13, Miller 35:09, Kristen Lavin 35:39, Starling 35:47 and Robinson 35:49.

Keystone will host the Indian Invite on Saturday, Sept. 16, at Trinity Camp (7996 County Line Road, Melrose). The varsity boys race will begin at 7:30 a.m., followed by the girls race at 8:15.

BHS and BMS compete at Clay Co. Invitational

BY CLIFF SMELLEY
Telegraph Staff Writer

Bradford High School's Alissa Reddish placed 63rd, while all three Bradford Middle School girls runners placed in the top half of the field at the Sept. 9 Clay County Cross Country Invitational in Green Cove Springs.

Reddish, competing in a field of 123 runners, had a time of 26:36.

Anna Adkins led BMS in the 146-runner middle-school girls race with a 33rd-place time of 13:49. Tinsley Fortune and Madison Ivy-Kennedy placed 61st and 72nd, respectively, with times of 15:13 and 15:39.

Kayden Lee and Hayden Starling had times of 26:19 and 27:10, respectively, in the high-school boys race. Ethan Annsley had a time of 15:11 in the middle-school boys race.

Bradford's runners were coming off a performance in the 10th annual Florida Horse Park Invitational, which was held Sept. 2 in Ocala. Adkins and Ivy-Kennedy placed 57th and 74th, respectively, in the 131-member middle-school girls race with times of 14:49 and 16:06.

Lee and Starling ran times of 27:06 and 28:57, respectively, in the junior varsity boys race, while Annsley had a time of 16:54 in the middle-school boys race.

UCHS falls to 3-3 in volleyball with home loss

BY CLIFF SMELLEY
Telegraph Staff Writer

Union County High School's volleyball team dropped its second straight match, losing 3-0 (25-16, 25-20, 25-17) to visiting Branford on Sept. 11.

Branford was the team the Tigers (3-3) defeated for the District 6-1A championship last season. Union then defeated Branford in the first round of the regional playoffs.

Stats weren't available by deadline.

The Tigers hosted Class 4A Keystone Heights on Sept. 5, winning 3-0 (25-18, 25-18, 25-22). Indi Knox had 13 kills, while Jaily Simmons and Layla Barber had eight and six, respectively. Barber also added eight digs.

Junrey Crim led the team in digs with 20, while also recording three service aces.

Kamryn Southerland had 15 assists and eight digs, while Jordan Hendricks had nine assists and seven digs.

Union hosted 4A Baker County on Sept. 7, losing 3-0 (25-13, 25-22, 25-18). Barber and Simmons had seven and five kills, respectively. Barber also had four digs, while Simmons had six.

Hendricks led the team in digs with 13. Crim and Bella Johns added 10 and eight, respectively.

Southerland, who had five digs, recorded eight assists. Hendricks had six assists.

The Tigers played Bell this past Tuesday and will compete in the Friday through Saturday, Sept. 15-16, Jacksonville Juniors Volleyball Association River City Classic.

Union travels to Gainesville to play The Rock on Tuesday, Sept. 19, at 6:30 p.m. Junior varsity teams will play at 5:30 p.m.

Defending SMAC volleyball champs off to 4-0 start in conference

BY CLIFF SMELLEY
Telegraph Staff Writer

Lake Butler Middle School's volleyball team, which has won four straight Suwannee Middle School Athletic Conference championships, has started the 2023 conference slate 4-0 after wins over Fort White and Interlachen.

The Tigers hosted Fort White in a Sept. 7 doubleheader, sweeping both matches. Union won the first match by scores of 25-11 and 25-9 and the second match by scores of 25-18 and 25-23.

Lake Butler traveled to Interlachen on Sept. 11. The Tigers beat the Rams 25-8 in the first set of the first match, but the host team came back to win the second set 26-24. Lake Butler won the tiebreaker set 15-5 for the 2-1 match win.

The second match was all Tigers as they won both sets by scores of 25-3 and 25-10.

Head Coach Robbie Best's record at LBMS improved to 185-29. Best, who is in his eighth season, has guided the Tigers to five SMAC championships.

Best's assistant coach is Angela Griffis.

Player Morgan Smith was LBMS' inaugural Athlete of the Month in August. Ink and Thread Graphics sponsors the monthly award. Recipients will receive a free Tigers T-shirt.

Lake Butler returns to the court on Thursday, Sept. 14, traveling to play Lake City at 5 p.m. The Tigers then travel to Starke on Monday, Sept. 18, to play SMAC opponent Bradford at 5 p.m.

BHS, KHHS volleyball teams are struggling

BY CLIFF SMELLEY
Telegraph Staff Writer

The Bradford and Keystone Heights high school volleyball teams both saw their losing streaks extended after Sept. 11 matches.

Bradford (1-4) has dropped four in a row after opening the season with a win over Keystone. The Class 3A Tornadoes, after a 3-0 loss to Qualifier 1A Union County (a playoff qualifier from last season) on Aug. 28, have played nothing but bigger teams: 6A Fleming Island on Aug. 31, 5A Columbia on Sept. 7 and 4A Baker County on Sept. 11. All were 3-0 losses.

Keystone (1-5) was able to bounce back from its season-opening loss to Bradford, defeating Class 7A Toccoa Creek 3-2 (25-14, 17-25, 19-25, 25-23, 20-18) on Aug. 24 in Keystone. The Indians got 10 kills each from Taylor Marquart and Kiersten Shaw. Marquart added 18 assists and three aces, while Shaw also had six aces and five assists.

Abbie Roach and Emma Stanley each had three blocks in the win, with Roach also recording five kills. Kadence Carlton added 11 digs and four aces.

Since then, the 4A Indians have lost 3-0 to Union on Sept. 5, 3-0 to 1A Newberry (a playoff qualifier last season) on Aug. 31, 3-2 to 3A Pierson Taylor on Sept. 7 and 3-0 to 3A P.K. Yonge (a playoff qualifier from last season) on Sept. 11.

Keystone and Bradford both played matches this past Tuesday, with the Tornadoes hosting Palatka and the Indians traveling to play Baker County.

Bradford hosts Crescent City on Thursday, Sept. 14, at 7 p.m. The Tornadoes then host Baker County on Monday, Sept. 18, at 7 p.m.

Junior varsity matches will take place prior to each varsity match at 6 p.m.

Keystone will participate in the Friday through Saturday, Sept. 15-16, Jacksonville Juniors Volleyball Association River City Classic. The Indians then travel to play Clay on Tuesday, Sept. 19, at 7 p.m., following a junior varsity match at 6 p.m.



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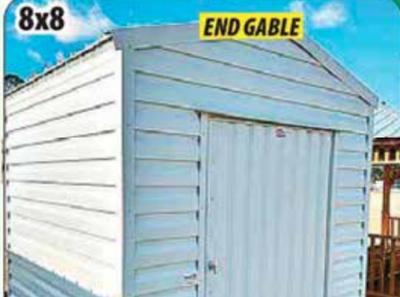
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