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## Valedictorian

## Salutatorian



*Kindall Johnson*

*Madison Johnson*

Dear Graduates of the Class of 2023,

On behalf of the Union County School District, I would like to congratulate you on your graduation. As you look back over the many years it took to get to this point, realize that you have earned this accomplishment through the dedication and hard work you invested throughout the journey. You should be proud of this moment as you begin the next phase of life and apply the lessons you have learned over the past many years. Thank you for all you have done and the impact you have made at UCHS and the legacy you have helped extend. The achievements you have earned individually and with others in the classroom and through extracurricular activities will serve as a pathway for others to follow. The impact you have made on this community continues to be a source of pride we all share and celebrate with you. Our community believes in you demonstrated each year by its unyielding support.

During this time of celebration, remember to take a moment to thank those who have been there to support you throughout your journey. Your family has been there since the first day loving and caring for you and providing the support you needed to become the young man or woman you are today. Your friends and church families have also been instrumental in providing guidance and being there for you. Finally, don't forget to thank your teachers, coaches, and advisers for all of the help, mentoring and support they have given you. As time moves on, you will realize the lessons they were trying to instill in you but didn't quite make sense at the time. Take time to tell them thank you and remember what you learned from them.

After the lights and sounds of graduation fade and you transition to the next chapter of your life, remember that this is only the beginning. You have spent the last 13 years preparing for the final exam called life. What you do and where you go with the opportunities that are placed before you will determine your level of success in this world. Success will look different for each of you, but as long as you focus on your faith, family and friends, you will find success.

Don't forget the journey you have already accomplished as you journey down the pathway before you. No matter where you go from here, remember that here is where you began. Union County loves you and is proud of you.

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Dual Enrolled  
Joe Murphy Mem. Scholarship  
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President's Award for Educational Excellence  
Senior Class President  
Junior Class President  
Sophomore Class VP  
NHS (President & Sweetheart)  
Student Body VP (11th)  
Student Body Pres. (12th)  
Key Club (Sec. & VP)  
Lion's Pride Award  
Homecoming Court  
Volleyball (Most Christlike)  
All Conference - 9th, 11th, 12th  
Softball (Most Christlike, Captain, MVP '19, Rookie of the Year '17, All Conference '23)  
Volunteer Award  
Drama  
Isaiah 43:2



**HALEY CAROL SHEPPARD**  
Highest Honors

### SALUTATORIAN

Dual Enrolled  
President's Award for Educational Excellence  
Homecoming Court  
Volunteer Award  
Volleyball  
Deut. 31:6



**KOURTNEY DENISE LOFTON**  
High Honors



**ALEX ODASIUS BRANTLEY**  
Homecoming Court  
Football  
John 6:35



**TRAYVEN LATRAIL CHANDLER**  
Football (Capt., State RU 2021)  
Baseball (District Champ '22, State RU '23)  
Basketball (State RU '20, '21, '22)  
Homecoming Court, Drama  
Sophomore Class Rep.  
SGA (Chaplain), Key Club  
Exodus 20:11



**JADIE PATRICIA CLARK**  
Dual Enrolled, Key Club, Drama, Volleyball (All Conf.), Basketball (All Conf.) Softball (Most Christlike), Homecoming Court, NHS (Parl.), Sophomore Class Rep., SGA (VP, Sec., Parl.), Student Body (VP), President's Award for Educational Excellence, Senior Volunteer Award  
John 16:33



**MECTOR YANIELLE DIAZ**  
NHS, Drama, School Mascot, Volunteer Award, SGA (Parl. & Treas.), President's Award for Educational Excellence, Homecoming Court  
Gen. 1:1



**JOHN WADE FORD, III**  
Football (Capt.), Drama, Baseball (Capt., State RU '23), 'Never Give Up' Baseball Award  
Homecoming Court  
Psalm 3:6



**BROOKE ANN MC CLOUD**  
Homecoming Queen, Dual Enrolled, Drama, Lion's Pride Award, STEAM Fair - 1st Place & Fan Favorite, Volleyball, NHS (Sweetheart & Sec.), SGA (VP & Sec.), Key Club (Pres. & Media), Basketball (All Conf., All Tourn.), President's Award for Educational Excellence, Softball, Volunteer Award  
Phil. 4:10-13



**SUMMER ALEXIS SIGERS**  
Yearbook, Volleyball, SGA (Historian), Homecoming Court, President's Award for Educational Excellence  
1 Corinthians 13:4-8



**THOMAS ALEXANDER SLOCUMB**  
SGA (Parliamentarian), STEAM Fair 'Fan Favorite' 2019  
Homecoming King  
John 3:16

**JOSHUA BLAKE AGNER**  
FFA 9th-12th, Baseball 9th-12th. I plan to become a lineman.

**NADIA SOPHIA ALDANA**  
Wrestling 9th - 12th; I plan to continue my studies at Florida Gateway College to

be a veterinarian.  
**JUSTIN LEE ALFORD**  
My current plan after graduation is to enter the

workforce somewhere in this area.

**ADAM THOMAS ALI**  
JROTC 9th-12th, Drill 9th-12th, Raiders 12th, Air Rifle 12th, JLAB 11th, Drill Commander 12th, Battalion Commander 12th; NSHSS Member 12th; I am enlisted

in the Florida Army National Guard and after basic I plan to enroll in college to earn my bachelor's degree in Psychology, then commission into the United States Army as an infantry officer.

**ANDERSEN-DAVIS**  
Basketball: 9-12th; BETA 9th & 12th; FBLA 9-10th; Junior Homecoming Prince 11th; SWAT 12th; Hi-Q 10th; I plan to go to college and medical school to become a sports medicine orthopedic surgeon.

**ELIAS COLE**

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**Annjelee Andino**



**Sarah Archer**



**Kenneth Banks**



**Danielle Barrick**



**Aleyna Bell**



**Colton Bell**



**Jimmy Bennefield**

**ANNJELEE MIRELYS ANDINO**  
SWAT 11th-12th; After graduating I plan to attend Florida Gateway College to obtain my AA.

**SARAH ELISABETH**

**ARCHER**  
Student Body Vice President 12th; Class Vice President 9th-11th; Performing Arts 9th-12th; Band 9th, 10th, 12th; Jazz Band 9th, 10th, 12th; Tiggerettes 10th-12th, Rifle

Section Leader 11th-12th; BSU 11th-12th; SWAT 11th-12th; Varsity Tennis 9th-10th; JFOL 12th. I plan to go to school to become a teacher.

**KENNETH LANDON BANKS**  
JROTC Raiders 9th-10th, 2nd Place Male-Mix Team at State; I plan to join the military, then work toward starting my own business.

**DANIELLE LEIGH BARRICK**  
CNA 11th; Upon graduation I plan to attend Florida Gateway College's nursing program.

**ALEYNA JASMINE BELL**

After high school, I plan to attend Florida Gateway College to receive my AA and BS in Nursing.

**COLTON THOMAS BELL**  
JROTC 9th-12th, Platoon Leader 12th; I plan on attending Full Sail University and get a bachelor's in Game Design.

**JIMMY WAYNE BENNEFIELD**  
Football 9th, Black Student Union 12th. After high school, I plan to attend barber school and get my license. Following that, I plan to receive my accountant degree and practice that, too.

**IAN MICHAEL BRANNEN**  
FBLA 9th-11th, National

Qualifier 10th-11th, 3rd in State 10th; Class President 9th-10th, Student Body Treasurer 12th; Yearbook 10th-11th; Performing Arts 9th-12th; FFA 9th-10th; JFOL 9th-12th; High-Q 9th-12th, Captain 10th-12th. I plan to attend FGC and later transfer to UF and pursue a career in acting.

**BLAKELY ROSE BRYAN**  
HOSA 9th; FFA 10th-11th; CNA 11th; I plan to further my education at Georgia Southern University, majoring in Nursing.

**ZAYNA SAIGE BRYANT**  
FFA 11th; I plan to attend college to become an ultrasound technician.

**HAYLEE ALYSE BUCHANAN**  
Weightlifting 9th-12th; FCA 12th; JROTC 9th-10th; FFA 10th-11th; I plan on becoming a nurse practitioner.

**HAYLEY MICHELLE BURKE**  
FFA 9th-11th; SWAT 11th-12th; Varsity Softball 10th-12th, District Champion 2021; Weightlifting 12th: I plan to further my education and play softball at Florida Gateway College.

**KRISTA JADE-LEE CADLE**  
FFA 9-12; I plan to use my Take Stock in Children scholarship to go to Florida Gateway College to study Business and Health Sciences.

**EMILY BROOKE CHAPMAN**  
Volleyball 9th-10th; SWAT 9th-12th; After graduating, I plan to attend Summit Academy for cosmetology.

**LEAH MICHELLE CLARK**  
Varsity Softball 9th-12th, All Star Athlete of the Week, Extra Innings National Runner Up Player of the Week, Football District Champ, FACA Region 4 Player of the Year; FFA 9th; Volleyball 10th; FCA 12th; SWAT 12th; Weightlifting 12th, Weightlifting District Champion, Regional Runner Up and State Qualifier; Track 12th, Track District Champion 100 and 200m; Homecoming Court 12th; CNA License 11th; I plan to attend the College of Central Florida to further my athletic and academic career. I will be playing softball and working toward a degree in Business.

**JEFFREY ALLEN COOK**  
Baseball 9th-12th; Basketball 9th-12th; After high school, I plan to go to Santa Fe College and study Animal Science and play on their baseball and basketball teams.

**ANTHONY RYAN CORTESE JR.**  
Football 9th-12th; Baseball 12th; Basketball 9th; Black Student Union 11th; After high school, I plan to further my athletic and academic career in college.

**ALEXIS CELESTE COX**  
JROTC 9-12th, Raiders 10th, Drill 9th-12th, Air Rifle 10th-11th; I plan to enlist in the United States Air Force.  
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**Kara Dennison**

FFA 9th-10th; SWAT 9th-12th; BETA 9th; Interact Club 9th-11th; HOSA 9th; Science Fair, 2nd place in Behavior and Social Sciences. I plan to attend Florida Gateway College and obtain my AA in sociology. I will then transfer to a university to get my bachelor's in Child and Family Studies and go on to become a child life specialist.

**HAYDEN KAGE CREWS**

JROTC 9th-11th; Raiders 9th-11th; Drill 10th; I plan to attend North Florida Vocational for welding certification and work for General Dynamics.

**KLOE BROOK CREWS**

SWAT 11th-12th; Volleyball 9th-11th; After graduation, I plan to attend Florida Gateway College to major in Education.

**WILFORD DALTON CROFT**

FFA 9th-11th; After graduation, I plan to enter the workforce.

**BIONCALYNN CUMMINGS**

Anime Club 12th; SWAT 9th-10th; Upon graduation, I plan to enter the workforce and continue my education.

**JAYCEE LYNN DAVIS**

Volleyball 9th-12th, Captain 12th, District Champions 11th-12th, Regional Champions 12th, 1st Area All Team 12th; BETA 12th; FCA 12th; SWAT 11th-12th; CNA License 11th; I will continue my academic and athletic career at Daytona State.

**KARA MACKENZIE DENNISON**

Cross Country 9th-11th, Track 10th, Wrestling 9th-11th. I plan to go into the military after graduation and then study at Santa Fe to get my degree in Nursing so I can go on to be a doctor.

**ELLA REESE DICKS**

FFA 9th-12th, 1st in

State Conduct of Chapter Meetings 10th-11th, 1st in State Agriculture Sales 11th, State High Individual 11th, Ag Sales 11th; Class Secretary 10th; Band 9th-11th, Student Leader 10th-11th; I plan to attend the University of North Florida and major in Behavioral Neuroscience.

**DAYLYN O'DANTA DISTON**

Black Student Union 10th-11th; SWAT 9th-11th; Basketball 9th-10th; Football 9th-12th, All Area Athlete 11th-12th, Best Overall Player 11th; After high school, I plan to further my academic and athletic career at East Carolina University. I will major in Business in hopes of becoming an entrepreneur.

**COLBY ALAN DUKES**

Baseball 9th-12th; FFA 9th-12th, 1st in State Conduct of Chapter Meetings 10th-11th; Golf 12th; I plan to attend Florida State University in pursuit of a Finance degree.

**THOMAS RAYVON DURANT**

Football 9th-12th, Track 10th & 12th; Weightlifting 11th-12th; After high school, I plan to attend Mars Hill University to play football and receive an AA.

**AYDEN COLE ELIXSON**

Baseball 9th-12th; SWAT 11th-12th; BETA 9th-12th; After high school, I plan to attend Saint Johns River State, where I plan to pursue my academic and athletic career.

**JAYSHA ROSE-JEAN ENGRAM**

After graduation, I plan to go to school to become a fashion designer.

**ABYGAYLE MARIE FILLYAW**

Anime Club 9th; I plan to further my education at a university or college.

**ZOEY SHYANNE FILLYAW**

Anime Club 9th; I plan to further my education at Santa Fe College.

**KRISTA LYNN FORT**

HOSA 10-11th; Performing Arts 10th; FBLA 10th; SWAT 12th. I plan to go to Florida Gateway College to get my Nursing degree and from there become an NICU nurse.

**EMMA NOELLE FULTON**

JROTC 9th-12th, Drill Commander 11th, MP Commander 12th, JLAB 10th-11th, Air Rifle 12th, Raiders 10th; I plan to go to school and get my registered nursing license and then continue school to become a certified nursing midwife.

**MAJOR GENYRIA GAFFNEY**

FFA 11th; Tigerettes 12th; Performing Arts 10th; After high school, I plan to pursue a career as a traveling chef.

**MADISON VIRGINIA GARBER**

Volleyball 9th; Interact Club 9-12, President 12th; After high school, I would like to go to college for Equine Sciences.

**BRADEN JAMES GATLIN**

JFOL 9th-12th; After graduation, I plan to go to a trade school in Gainesville to complete an apprenticeship to become an electrician.

**NATALIE PAIGE GAY**

BETA 9th-12th, President 12th; Tigerettes 9th-12th, Section Leader 11th, Co-Captain 12th; FFA 9th-11th; HOSA 9th-12th, Club Leadership 12th; I plan to attend Stetson University as a Health Science major, with the intent to become a physical therapist.

**SOPHIA LYNN GEDELIAN**

JROTC 9th-12th; FFA 9th; I plan on enlisting in the Army, but if that doesn't pan out, then go to college

to become either a forensic pathologist or a molecular genetic pathologist.

**ADRIANNA DESIRE GONZALEZ**

**MALDONADO**

JROTC 9th-12th, 2023 Battalion Executive officer; I've enlisted into the Florida National Guard and plan on majoring in Psychology and

commissioning as an officer into the Army.

**ETHAN EVERHETT GRIFFIS**

FFA 9th-10th; I plan to

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**Adam Ali**  
Florida Army National Guard



**Alexis Cox**  
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**Sophia Gedelian**  
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Adrianna Gonzalez-Maldonado



Ethan Graham

attend a technical college for welding and mechanics.

**RONALD LEMYLES GRIFFIS**

FFA 10th-11th; After high school, I plan on going straight into the workforce as a diesel mechanic and may go be an operator or on field crew for a mine.

**WHITLEY GRACE GRIFFIS**

I graduated with my AA from Florida Gateway College. I am now attending Santa Fe, working toward my AS.

**COLIN**

**CHRISTOPHER HADLOCK**

Wrestling 9th, 11th-12th; SWAT 12th, Treasurer 12th; I plan to attend Florida Gateway College to obtain my AA.

**IAN ROBERT HALFACRE**

FBLA 9th-10th; Wrestling 9th-12th; FCA 11th-12th. I plan to attend Mount St. Joseph to wrestle and to get a degree in Exercise Science.

**ETHAN SCOT HANCOCK**

Baseball 9th, 10th, 12th; Wrestling 9th-12th; I plan to go to lineman school after

graduation.

**BAILEY JADE HANDLEY**

Tigerettes 9th-12th, Flag and Dance Section Leader 11th, Captain 12th; Tennis 9th-12th, Co-Captain 12th. I plan on attending college and majoring in English.

**DEANNA TRINITY HANSEN**

FFA 9th-11th; Weightlifting 9th-11th; I plan to go to cosmetology school after graduation.

**TUCKER MICHAEL HARDEE**

Baseball 9th-12th; After

high school, I plan to become a certified welder.

**DARRY LEE HAYES JR.**

JROTC 10th-11th, Raiders 10th; After graduation, I plan to get my CDL and become a diesel mechanic.

**JOHNIYA THOMLISHA HENDERSON**

Softball 9th; CNA 11th; BSU 9th-12th, Treasurer 12th; HOSA 9th -10th; SWAT 10th-12th; I plan to go to school to get my bachelor's in Nursing and work in pediatrics.

**JAYDA LEIGH HENDRIETH**

FFA 9-10th; BSU 9th-12th, Student Leader 11-12th; Performing Arts 9th-12th; Cheerleading 9th-12th, Co-Captain 10th, Captain 12th. I plan to attend the University of Central Florida.

**ALYSSA JOLIE HERNANDEZ**

Anime Club 12th; FFA 9th-11th; After graduation, I plan to attend Santa Fe College to major in Zoology.

**JAIRA KINSLEE HIGHLAND**

Weightlifting 11th-12th; Hi-Q Academic Team 11th-12th; Fellowship of Christian

Athletes 12th; Junior Friends of the Library 10th-12th; Health Occupations Students of America 10th-12th, Homecoming Representative 12th; Beta 10th-12th; Interact 12th; Performing Arts 11th; Future Farmers of America 10th; Future Business Leaders of America 10th; Students Working Against Tobacco 11th-12th. I plan to attend the University of Florida to obtain my bachelor's degree in Biology before applying to medical school.

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**Darry Hayes Jr.**



**Johniya Henderson**



**Jayda Hendrieth**



**Alyssa Hernandez**



**Jaira Highland**



**Kayci Holder**



**Keaton Holmes**



**Johnathon Huntley**



**Luke Jackson**

Band 9th-12th, Student Leader 11th, Superior Solo; After high school, I plan to continue and start my band career as well as go to school to become a phlebotomist.

**KEATON WHITLEY HOLMES**

HOSA 9th; FFA 9th-10th; BSU 9th-12th; Varsity Tennis 9th-10th; SWAT 9th-10th; I plan to get my bachelor's in Finance.

**JOHNATHON COLE HUNTLEY**

FFA 9th-12th; I plan to enter trade school after graduation to become a lineman.

**LUKE MICHAEL JACKSON**

Baseball 9th, Football 10th - 12th, FFA 10th - 11th, FCA 12th. I plan to attend the Physical Therapy Assistant program at Florida Gateway College.

**JASMIN NICHOLE JAMES**

Varsity Basketball 10th; Volleyball 9th-10th; Black Student Union 9th-11th; Fellow Christian Athletes 12th; FFA 10th-11th; After high school, I plan to become a mental-health therapist

**EMMA LAYNE JEFFERS**

Track and Field 9th-12th; Cheerleading 9th-12th, Varsity Co-Captain 12th; Performing Arts Club 9th-12th; Senior Class Vice President; After graduation, I plan to go to Florida Gateway College (where I received a scholarship for cross country) for two years, then transfer to UF and major in Journalism. From there, I plan on being a news anchor.

**JOSILYN CHAVARIA JENKINS**

Basketball 9th-12th; I plan on attending Florida Gateway College and majoring in Finance.

**KINDALL MIKALA JOHNSON**

FFA 9th-12th, Reporter 12th, National High Individual Food Science, 3rd in Nation Food Science, Reserve National Champion Conduct of Chapter Meetings, 2nd in state Agricultural Communications, State Champion Food Science, 2x State Champion Conduct, District Public Speaking, 7th in State Veterinary Sciences, Reserve Grand Champion Swine 2022, Grand Champion Swine 2023, Senior Showmanship Champion 2023, Workhorse Award, Leadership Award; FBLA 9th; JFOL 12th; SWAT 12th; Softball 9th-10th, Scholar Athlete Award; BETA 9th-12th, Reporter 12th; Performing Arts 12th; Miss Union County High School 2022; HI-Q 12th; Yearbook Staff 12th; I will be attending the University of Florida and majoring in Nutritional Sciences prior to dermatology school.

**MADISON DEE JOHNSON**

FFA 9th-12th, Treasurer 12th, 2nd in Nation Conduct of Chapter Meetings, Perfect Score National Conduct Exam, 2x State Champion Conduct of Chapter Meetings, 1st in District Par Pro, 1st in District Forestry, High Individual

in District Forestry, 3rd in State Forestry, 2nd High Individual in State Forestry, 5th in State Meats, 2nd in State Ag Comm, 3rd in State Ag Issues, 7th in State Vet Science, 2x Grand Champion Swine, Grand Champion Senior Showman, Workhorse Award, Chapter Leadership Award, Greenhand, Chapter, & State Degree; BETA Club 9th-12th; FBLA 9th; SWAT 12th; Yearbook 12th; JV Softball 9th-10th; I am attending the University of Florida and majoring in Family, Youth and Community Sciences to pursue a career in law.

**PARKER WHITSON JOHNSON**

FFA 9th-12th; Tennis 9th-12th; Class President 11th-12th; HOSA 10th-11th; Yearbook 12th; SWAT 11th; BETA 10th; Performing Arts 11th; I plan to attend the University of Central Florida and major in the field of Psychology.

**PERRY JEFFERSON JOHNSON**

FFA 9th-12th, Sentinel 9th, Parliamentarian 10th, Secretary 11th & 12th, Reserve National Champion Conduct of Chapter Meetings, 2nd in State for Agricultural

Communications, State Champion Poultry Judging, 2x State Champion Conduct of Chapter Meetings, 7th in the State for Veterinary Sciences, Reserve Grand Champion Swine 2021, Workhorse Award, Leadership Award, Most Outstanding Member Awards, State Star in Agriculture Placement Finalist; BETA 9th-12th;

Hi-Q 12th; Sunshine State Scholar 2022. I will graduate from Florida Gateway College this spring with my associate's degree. I have recently been admitted to the University of Florida of Florida as a freshman and will be majoring in Animal Sciences. After I obtain my BA, I plan to attend vet school, which I have been preparing for by working as

a veterinary technician for the last two years.

**HANCE LEE JONES**

Football 9th-12th; I plan to join the workforce while taking college classes in hopes of one day owning my own business.

**CHELSEA LEAH KEEN**

Softball 9th-10th; After



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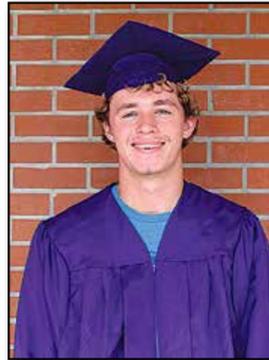
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high school, I plan to attend Saint Leo for Criminology Forensics.

**DAYVEN JAMES KELLEY**

Football 9th-12th; FFA 9th-12th; Baseball 10th; Wrestling 10th-11th; I plan to either enter lineman or fireman's school.

**ANGEL MARIE KINGSBURY**

Color Guard/Tigerettes 9th -12th; Softball 11th; I will be attending Santa Fe College to major in Nursing.

**LINDSAY CLAIRE KINGSBURY**

Tigerette 9th-12th, Flag Section Leader 12th; After

high school, I plan to pursue cosmetology at Summit Academy in Gainesville.

**JORDAN REECE LAMB**

Band 9th-12th, Drum Captain 11th-12th. I plan to attend the University of North Florida as a major in International Business.

**DALTON ALVIN LANE**

Football 10th-12th, First Team All Area Linebacker; I plan to attend Florida Gateway College or a trade school after high school.

**MATTHEW EDWARD LAUX**

FFA 9th-12th; Golf 9th-12th; Baseball 9th-12th;

Basketball 9th-12th; I plan to attend the University of Stanford to become an astronaut.

**TRE'VON DEMARIOUS LEE**

Baseball 9th-12th, Basketball 9th & 11th. After high school, I plan to play baseball at the college level and major in Business.

**MONICA REGINA LLOYD**

SWAT 11th-12th; FFA 11th; I plan to attend FGC to obtain an AA, then transfer to a university to get my bachelor's.

**DREW HAMILTON MANNING**

FBLA 9th-11th; BETA 10-12th; Football 12th; I plan to attend the University of Central Florida for Computer Science.

**ISABELLA ABIGALE MANUCY**

JROTC 9th-12th, Platoon Leader 10th-11th, Company Commander 12th, Assistant Staff Officer 12th; Track 10th; HOSA 9th; I plan on going to college (most likely Florida Gateway College) to become a mental-health counselor.

**MIRANDA BROOKE MARTIN**

Band 9th-11th, JROTC 9th-10th, SWAT 12th; I plan on going to school for

Architecture and Business.

**EMORY AUSTIN MCDANIEL**

After graduation, I plan to obtain my commercial driver's license so I can drive semi-trucks.

**CHRISTOPHER BRADLEY MECUSKER**

SWAT 11th-12th; I plan to go to college for HVAC and plumbing.

**MACY MAE MECUSKER**

Band 9th-11th; I plan to enlist in the Florida National Guard upon graduation.

**CLAIRA NICOLE MILLER**

After graduation, I plan on going into the Army and becoming an orthodontist.

**JEREMY ALLEN MILLER JR.**

Varsity Football 10th-11th grade; 2021 All- Area DB; Varsity Baseball 10th-12th grade; I plan to attend Santa Fe College and work toward my master's in Accounting.

**ETHAN MICHAEL MOODY**

Baseball 9th-12th; BETA 9th-12th; I plan to attend UCF to earn my degree in Graphic Design.

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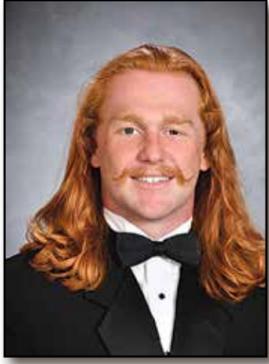
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**CARSON WADE ROGERS**

Baseball 9th & 12th; Wrestling 9th-10th; Weightlifting 10th-11th; Tennis 10th; Football 9th-12th; HOSA 11th; I earned my CNA license in 11th grade, and I plan to attend Florida Gateway College to get my bachelor's in Engineering.

**AUNTRELL DESHAWN ROSS**

Football 9th-12th, Basketball 9th-12th, Track 9th-12th, & National Honor Society. After high school, I plan to attend Keiser University for football and track while majoring in Computer Science.

**ETHAN DAKOTA ROWE**

Football 9th-11th; Electrical Club 9th-11th; Weightlifting 9th-12th; Automotive Club 9th-10th; FCA 9th-10th; I am unsure what I will do after graduation other than entering the workforce.

**KARLY APRIL SHATTO**

FFA 9th-12th; Varsity Cheerleader 11th-12th; Tennis 9th-10th; Tigerettes 9th-10th; I plan to attend Florida Gateway and major in Business Management.

**ETHAN THOMAS SHEA**

Wrestling 9th-12th, Football 9th. After high school, I plan to pursue a career in Insurance Adjusting.

**HANNAH ELIZABETH SHERROD**

FFA 9-12th, Chaplain 12th, 2x Conduct of Chapter

Meetings CDE State Champion, Food Science CDE State Champion, Reserve Conduct of Chapter Meetings National Champion, Food Science 3rd in the Nation, UCLA Exhibitor 11th, State FFA Degree Recipient; SWAT 9th-12th; BETA 9th-12th, Certified Nursing Assistant 12th; After graduation, I plan to finish obtaining my associate's degree in Nursing at Florida Gateway College and enroll in the nursing program, with goals to achieve my RN as well as my BSN.

**CHRISTIAN MICHAEL SIMMONS**

Wrestling 9th-10th, FHSAA All American; Weightlifting 10th-12th, 5th in State 10th, All Area Wrestler 10th, State Runner-Up 11th, State Champion 11th, 2X State Champion 12th; After graduation, I plan to go to school to become a paramedic.

**KENNEDY ANN SMITH**

Performing Arts Club 9th-12th; FBLA 9th-11th,

4th Place State Graphic Design Competition, 3rd Place State Broadcast Journalism Competition, Regional Office Title; BETA 9th-12th; Student Government 9th-11th, Class Treasurer 9th-10th, Student Body Vice President 11th. After graduation, I will be attending the University of Florida as a Business major.

**MARKUS TAVAR STRONG**

Football 9th-12th, Defensive Player of the Year 12th, First Team Area 10th & 12th; FCA Heart of A Champion 2023; Baseball 12th; Black Student Union 9th-12th; FBLA 10th-11th; Basketball 9th-10th & 12th; SWAT 9th-12th; After high school, I am attending Oklahoma University for football and majoring in Sports Management.

**RYLEY STEVEN SUGGS**

SWAT 9th; FFA 10th-12th; I plan to enter the workforce after graduation.

**TRISTA LEA TAMBURRI**

Softball 9th; Weightlifting 10th; After graduating, I plan to go to cosmetology school, then transfer to a four-year college and get a degree in Business.

**WAYLEN COLEMAN TETSTONE**

FFA 9th; After graduation, I plan to work at the VA as a carpenter.

**HARLOS DEON THOMAS JR.**

Football 9th-11th; Track 12th; I plan to go to college for construction.

**MARGREET OLIVIA THOMAS**

FFA 9th-11th; SWAT 12th; Varsity Softball 9th-12th; I plan on attending Florida Gateway College to get my RN.

**CHARITY LYNN THOMPSON**

Band 9th-11th, Student Leader 10th-11th; I plan on getting my bachelor's in Education at Florida Gateway College.

**DAYVIONTAE JAQUAY TRAYVON THOMPSON**

Football 9th-12th; Basketball 9th-11th; I plan to go to college to play football and major in Business.

**DANNY LEE THORNTON JR.**

Wrestling 9th-12th; FBLA 9th; Football 9th; After graduation, I plan to continue my education and my athletic career.

**HAILEY MARIE THORNTON**

Weightlifting 9th-11th; FFA 9th; I plan to go to the vo-tech to become a diesel mechanic.

**TALYA BRIELLE TRENT**

JROTC 9th-12th, Drill 9th-12th, Raiders 10th-12th, Honor Guard 10th-12th; I plan on going to the Police Academy at FSCJ to become a police officer.

**ANGELA DANIELLE TUCKER**

BETA 9th-12th; HOSA 9th, 11th; Hi-Q Academic Team 10th; Junior Friends of the Library 11th-12th; Black Student Union 11th-12th; Student Council, Class Secretary 11th, Student Body President 12th; Girls Weightlifting 12th; Varsity Softball 9th-12th, All-State Academic Team, All-State Team, Main Street Small Town All Area Team, Best Offensive Player; CNA 12th; I am going to attend the University of West Georgia to play softball and major in Nursing.

**SAVANA MARIE TUCKER**

After graduation, I plan to attend Santa Fe College for Fine Arts.

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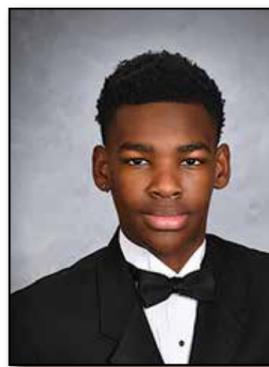
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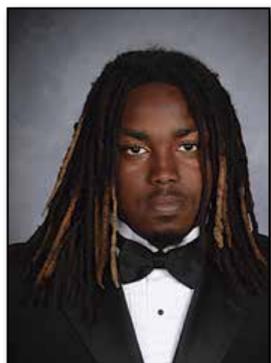
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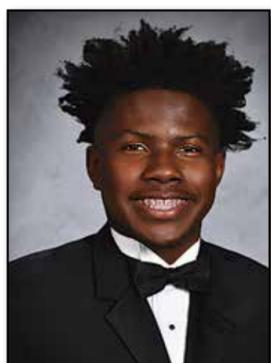
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**ASHLYNN PAIGE TURKNETT**

FFA 9th-12th. I plan to attend Santa Fe College to become a surgical technician.

**KATIE LYNN WADE**

Performing Arts Club 9th; I will be attending the University of Florida, majoring in either Wildlife Ecology and Conservation or Zoology.

**KALE MASON WATERS**

Wrestling 9th-12th; FFA 9th; FCA 12th; BETA 12th; I plan to go to school to become a welder.

**KARLEIGH JAMESON WHITE**

Tigerettes 9th-12th, Baton Section Leader 11th-12th, Co-Captain 12th; After high school, I'm attending UNF, majoring in Criminology, in hopes of becoming a lawyer.

**HAYDEN JOSEPH WHITEHEAD**

FFA 9th-11th. After high school, I plan to work in construction.

**CAMERON JAYLON WILLIAMS**

Football Manager 9th-10th, Defensive Tackle 11th-12th; Baseball Team Manager 9th-12th; BETA 12th; I plan to attend trade school and become a chef.

**DERMARIUS DEON WILLIAMS**

Football 9th-12th; Basketball 9th-12th; Black Student Union 9th-12th, Black Student Union Prince 11th; SWAT 9th-12th; After graduating, I plan on going to Santa Fe College for Sports Management.

**NYASIA DANAE WILLIAMS**

SWAT 11th-12th; Black Student Union 11th; Softball 9th & 11th; Basketball 9th-11th; After high school, I plan to attend Indian River State

college to play softball and major in Physical Therapy.

**XANDER KRISTOPHER WILLIAMS**

Band 9th-11th; Jazz Band 9th-11th; After high school, I plan to enter the workforce.

**EMILY LAURA WILSON**

Volleyball 9th-12th, District Champions 11th-12th, Regional Champions 12th; FFA 9th-11th; I plan to attend Florida Gateway College's Nursing program and work to become an RN.

**TRISTEN ROSEMARIE WOODALL**

FFA 9th-12th; FBLA 9th-10th, 1st in Districts Par Pro; JFOL 12th. I plan to go to Florida Gateway College and get my cosmetology license to be a hairstylist.

**DANIEL HALDIN WOODS**

Baseball 9th, FFA 9th-11th, Golf 9th-10th. I earned

my certification in welding, which I plan to pursue after graduation.

**MICHAEL JAN YOUNG**

FFA 9th-12th, State Champion Horse Evaluation 2022, 6th in Nation for Horse Evaluation; I plan to enter trade school to become an electrician after graduating.

**TAMIA LASHAE YOUNG**

SWAT 12th; Basketball 9th-12th; Softball 9th-12th, District Champions 2021; I plan to attend the University of West Georgia to play softball and major in Nursing.

**CALEB JACKSON ZAPP**

Golf 9th-12th; Tennis 9th-12th; FFA 9th-12th; SWAT 9th-12th; I plan to further my education at a community college.

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# Tigers' season ends with 14-3 loss in Region 3-1A final

BY CLIFF SMELLEY  
Telegraph Staff Writer

Host Lafayette took an 8-0 lead in the second and got a walkoff grand slam from Hunter Vann in the bottom of the fifth as the Union County High School baseball team lost 14-3 in the May 13 Region 3-1A championship game.

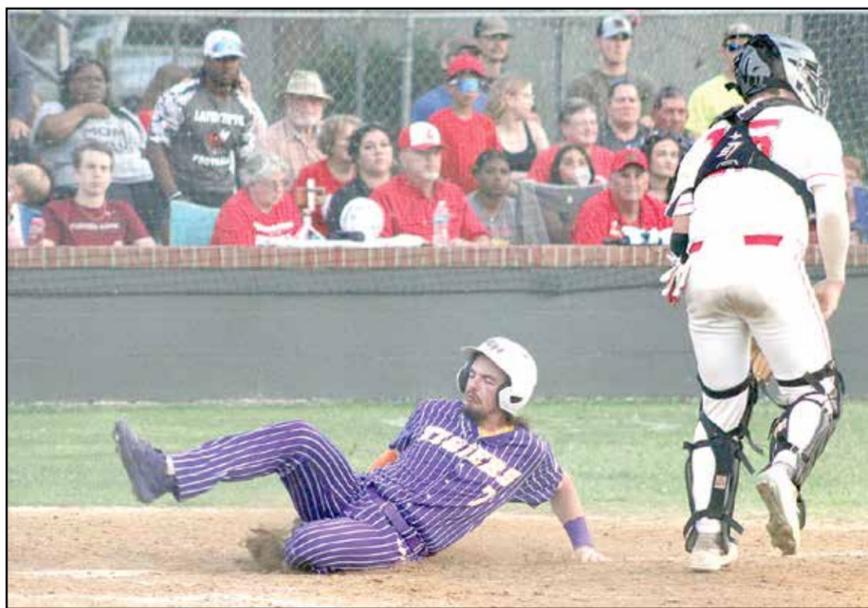
Lafayette (21-4) scored nine runs total off three home runs in advancing to the May 17 state semifinals, where the Hornets played Holmes County (11-18).

The Tigers, playing for the Region 3 title for the second time in three years, ended their season with an 18-9 record.

Dawson Mock and Vann drew back-to-back walks to open the bottom of the first for the Hornets. Union starting pitcher Tre'Von Lee then struck out two straight batters, but the Tigers committed an error on a throw to third on Mock's successful steal attempt, allowing him to score and put Lafayette up 1-0. Lee got out of the inning by striking out Hyatt Richardson on a full count.

Union's Erick Lasseter was down 1-2 in the count before drawing a one-out walk in the second. Blake Agner then hit a two-out double. A foul pop-up for the third out left the runners stranded.

Lafayette's Garrett Taylor led off the bottom of the second by reaching on an error. Coen Severance was down 0-2 count, but drew a walk. After a strikeout, Mock walked to load the bases. Lee recorded another strikeout before Matthew Jenkins, Lane Brock and Karlos Murphy all hit run-scoring singles, with



Tucker Hardee (left) slides home for a run in the Tigers' 14-3 loss to Lafayette in the May 13 Region 3-1A championship game.

Murphy's hit driving in two runs for a 5-0 lead. Ayden Elixson moved from first base to take over pitching duties, but the first batter he faced (Richardson) hit a three-run homer to put Lafayette up 8-0.

The Tigers got on the board in the third. Elixson and Tucker Hardee drew back-to-back walks with two outs. Lee's double scored both runners to make it an 8-2 game.

In the bottom of the third, Elixson threw just five pitches as the Tigers recorded outs on a pop-up, a ground ball and a fly ball.

Union added its final run in the fourth. Agner drew a leadoff walk. Riggs Davis, who entered to run for Agner, advanced to second on a passed ball and then to third on a wild pitch. Hornets pitcher Richardson then had two straight strikeouts before giving up an RBI single to Jeremy Miller. Elixson followed with another single, but Miller was put out trying to advance to third to end the inning.

The Hornets got a leadoff single from Vann to start the bottom of the fourth. Jenkins then drove the first pitch he saw over the fence in left to put

Lafayette up 10-3.

Hardee and Lee drew back-to-back walks to give the Tigers two on with no outs in the top of the fifth. Lasseter then lined out to second baseman Richardson. Hardee was caught off second for a double play. A strikeout ended the inning.

Lafayette's Taylor singled to lead off the bottom of the fifth. Courtesy runner Baylor Johnson was caught in a rundown by pitcher Lasseter, but that would be the only out the Tigers would record in the inning. After Severance was hit by a pitch, Jontavious Cook singled. Mock

walked to load the bases, setting the stage for Vann's game-ending grand slam.

The Tigers were held to four hits by pitchers Richardson (four innings) and Taylor (one inning).

## UCHS reached Region 3 final with 6-5 semifinal win

Visiting Madison County put together a late rally, but the Tigers were able to hang on for a 6-5 win in a Region 3 semifinal game on May 10.

The Cowboys (15-9) scored three runs in the top of the seventh and had the tying run at third with two outs. Elixson took the mound in relief of starting pitcher Ethan Moody and recorded a strikeout to end the game and send the Tigers to the Region 3 championship game.

Union took an early lead with three runs in the first. Leadoff batter Miller was hit by a pitch, followed by Elixson drawing a walk. Lee's single scored both, while an error on the play allowed Lee to advance to third. Lee scored on Lasseter's sacrifice fly. Union put another runner in scoring position with two outs when Preston Bonsall doubled, but a strikeout ended the inning.

Madison's Kyler Richie led off the top of the second with a single. After a sacrifice bunt by Joshua Watts, he scored on Mason Plain's sacrifice fly to make it a 3-1 game.

The Cowboys threatened to score in the third when J.D. Bryan hit a leadoff double, but Moody fielded a ground ball by the next batter and threw to third

baseman Devin Diggs to put out courtesy runner Michael Mobley.

Lasseter reached on an error to lead off the Tigers' half of the fourth, but a Bonsall line drive to first baseman Lawson resulted in a double play.

Union had two outs and no one on in the fifth when Miller and Elixson hit back-to-back singles. Hardee walked to load the bases before Lee hit a single that scored Miller. An error on the play allowed Elixson and Hardee to score as well, putting the Tigers up 6-1.

Lee finished 2 for 3 with three RBI, while Elixson went 2 for 2.

The Cowboys put a run on the board in the sixth. Jackson Kendrick hit a one-out single and advanced to second on an error. Kendrick moved to third on a Richie ground out before scoring on a Watts single.

Madison trailed 6-2 entering the seventh. Jason McDaniel led off the inning with a single. Moody recorded his fifth strikeout of the game before the Cowboys strung together singles by Lawson, Parker Copeland and Evan Lago, resulting in two runs to make the score 6-4. A Kendrick fly ball to Bonsall in left field allowed Copeland to tag up at third and score, making it a one-run game.

Moody gave way to Elixson. Elixson's first pitch to Richie was a ball. Richie then fouled off two straight pitches before a swinging miss resulted in the game-ending strikeout.

In 6.2 innings, Moody gave up nine hits and no walks.

## Indians lose 15-1 in Region 1-3A quarterfinals

BY CLIFF SMELLEY  
Telegraph Staff Writer

Visiting Florida State University High School hit a grand slam and two other home runs in the second inning, which gave pitcher Carly Allen all the support she needed as the Seminoles handed Keystone Heights a 15-1, five-inning loss in the May 10 Region 1-3A quarterfinals.

The Indians (9-19) scored 29 runs in their previous three games, but were facing the prospect of a shutout until Alaina Kinsall's two-out double scored Kadence Massey in the bottom of the fourth. That was one of only four hits allowed by Allen.

FSU (18-5), which played Episcopal (21-4) in a semifinal game this past Tuesday, had scored more than 10 runs in six straight games until its 1-0 loss to Marianna in the District 2 championship. Against Keystone, though, the Seminoles had 14 hits and scored all but four of their runs in two innings (the second and the fifth).

The Seminoles put their first run on the board in the first.

Jaysoni Beachum hit a one-out triple into right field. Anna Green then walked before Breana Barnes hit a sacrifice fly to score Beachum. Catcher Amber Wagner was able to throw Green out trying to take second on the play to end the inning.

Keystone did put a scoring threat together with two outs in the bottom of the inning when Kiley Channell and Ashley Nugent both walked, but a Wagner fly ball was caught at the fence by center fielder Barnes.

FSU opened the top of the second with back-to-back home runs by Dillyn Suggs and Allen. The Indians were then able to record two straight outs, but Cannon Ramsey hit an infield single, while Maddie Mayo doubled. Beachum was intentionally walked to load the bases. Green stepped to the plate and took three straight balls before driving a pitch over the fence in left for a grand slam and a 7-0 lead.

The three home runs put the Seminoles' total at 41 for the season.

Keystone put two runners on with two outs in the third,

with Channell drawing a walk and Nugent hitting a single. A strikeout ended the threat.

Singles by Mayo and Beachum pushed a run across in the top of the fourth as the Seminoles increased their lead to 8-0.

Massey reached on an error to lead off the Indians' half of the fourth. One out later, Madalynn Glinski drew a walk. Allen then recorded one of her six strikeouts before Kinsall hit a double into center field to score Massey and make it an 8-1 game. A fly out ended the inning.

The Seminoles completed their scoring in the fifth, taking advantage of four hits and two walks. Suggs hit a run-scoring double, while Green drove in two runs on a single. Mayo (single) and Barnes (fielder's choice) each drove in a run as well.

Channell led off the bottom of the fifth with a walk, followed by a Nugent double. They were left stranded after a strikeout, a line out to shortstop Mayo and another strikeout.

Nugent was the Indians' only batter with more than one hit, going 2 for 2.



Alaina Kinsall prepares to hit an RBI double in the Indians' 15-1 Region 1-3A quarterfinal loss to Florida State University High School.



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## Lake Butler Hospital Celebrates National Hospital Week

Every year, hospitals across the nation celebrate National Hospital Week, a week to recognize the important roles hospitals play in our community. In celebration of National Hospital Week May 7<sup>th</sup>-May 13<sup>th</sup>, Lake Butler Hospital recognized their staff for the hard work, compassion, and commitment they provide daily to make Lake Butler Hospital successful. There were many activities held throughout the week including daily food trucks, contests, and a luncheon on the grounds for the

staff and community business affiliations.

During the luncheon, Paula Webb/President CEO addressed the staff with a message to personally say "Thank you" for all the staff do for the community and their families on a daily basis. Also in attendance, were community members Sheriff Brad Whitehead and Jody Read who shared their pride in their local hospital for the care that they have received.

Lake Butler Hospital is grateful for the opportunity to provide services to Union



Community Member Jody Read, Mary Parris ARNP at Lake Butler Family & Pediatric Clinic, and Union County Sheriff Brad Whitehead.

County and the surrounding counties. Lake Butler Hospital provides many extended services to include, Respiratory, Outpatient Rehabilitation, Swingbed/Inpatient Rehabilitation, Radiology, Laboratory, Emergency Room Services, and a Rural Health Clinic. **Thank you for your support!**



Whitehead Cattle Company receives a CARES designation at the 22nd Annual Suwannee CARES Celebration on May 2, 2023. (Pictured left to right) Wilton Simpson (Commissioner of Agriculture), Dr. Andra Johnson (UF/IFAS Dean of Extension and Director of the Florida Cooperative Extension), Jaime, Clay and Lizzie Whitehead (Whitehead Cattle Company), Hugh Thomas (Executive Director of the Suwannee River Water Management District), and Jeb S. Smith (Florida Farm Bureau Federation President).

## Whitehead Cattle Company recognized for environmental stewardship efforts

LIVE OAK — On May 2, Clay Whitehead of Whitehead Cattle Company in Bradford County was recognized by the Florida Farm Bureau Federation at the 22nd Annual Suwannee CARES celebration for exceptional environmental stewardship efforts on their farm. Whitehead is an eighth generation rancher and works to

protect the water quality through best management practices. He uses rotational grazing and non-fertilized vegetation to improve soil health, water quality and forages on the ranch.

"Florida's farmers and ranchers answer the call to protect our environment while also producing a safe, affordable, and abundant food supply," said Florida Farm Bureau President Jeb S. Smith. "Whitehead Cattle Company implements practices that conserve water and nutrient use while improving soil health and water quality. Florida Farm Bureau is proud to award them a personalized CARES sign

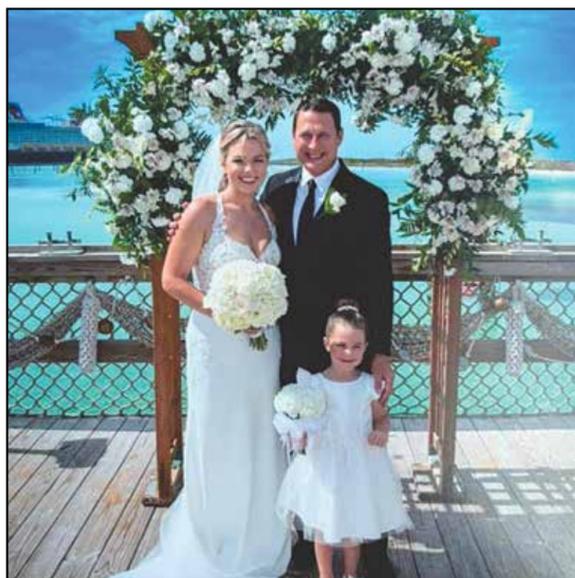
to display on their farm that demonstrates their commitment to protecting Florida's natural resources for future generations."

The Florida Farm Bureau's County Alliance for Responsible Environmental Stewardship (CARES) program has recognized Florida's farmers and ranchers for preserving the state's natural resources since 2001.

Florida Farm Bureau, the state's largest general agricultural organization, represents more than 132,000 member-families, serving to enhance farm enterprise and improve rural communities.

# Wedding

Dan and Paulette Sikes together with their granddaughter, Amelie Czarowitz, are pleased to announce the marriage of Laura Dayle Sikes with Logan Ricks on May 14, 2023 on the Castaway Cay in the Grand Bahamas. Laura is a third-year law student at the University of Florida and Logan is a software developer. The couple will honeymoon in South Beach, Florida and return to Bradford County, Florida to raise their family.



## Lions inducted into NHS

Hope Christian Academy inducted new members into the HCA Lions National Honor Society. The new inductees are Carlene Carr, Danielle Thomas, Carly Beggs, Alyssa Hunt, Benjamin Whalen and Luke Drew. Pictured are (front, l-r) Tavian Frazier, Jude Hanson, Carlene Carr, Danielle Thomas, Brooke McCloud, Carly Beggs, Angelica Barnett, Mector Diaz, Luke Drew, (back) Wyatt Gauthier, Jadie Clark, Haley Sheppard, Alyssa Hunt and Benjamin Whalen. Pic: Sierra Hunt

## 'Don't write off jail inmates'

Corrections Lt. says you may see them tomorrow at Walmart

BY DAN HILDEBRAN  
Telegraph Staff Writer

STARKE— A lieutenant in the Bradford County Sheriff's Office Corrections Division said inmates at the county lockup are a part of the community and that residents will likely run into them as they go about their daily business.

Bill Goode told the Starke Rotary Club during its April 19 meeting that most jail inmates will eventually return to society. He added it is in the county's best interests that corrections officials do as much as they can to help those inmates succeed.

The correction division's leaders: Major Dawn McKinley and Lt. Beth Griffin, accompanied Goode to the civic club's gathering. Goode said Capt. Dalton Diggs had a previous commitment, but Sheriff Gordon Smith was in attendance as a member of the club.

Goode described himself to the club as a hometown boy, adding that after graduating from Bradford High School in 1981, he traveled the country in the telephone business before returning home with his California-born wife.

He called the Bradford County jail a diamond in the rough. After starting as a correctional officer in the jail, he worked his way up to corporal and then sergeant. A year and a half ago, he was promoted to lieutenant.

Goode said the leadership at the jail typifies the sheriff's office motto: "We Care."

"We do care," he said. "It's not just a logo; it's a belief. We live it."

Goode praised his supervisors, beginning with Smith, whom he said allocates enough resources to the jail so he and his co-workers can achieve their mission. Goode added that Major McKinley sets the policies at the lockup, and Capt. Diggs makes sure those policies



Lt. Bill Goode speaks to the Starke Rotary Club

are implemented. He added that Lt. Griffin keeps the facility compliant with laws, regulations and best practices.

He added that the jail's leadership rejects the prevailing public opinion of inmates that they are society's unredeemable reprobates.

"These people are done; that's why they're in jail," he said of the popular opinion of inmates. "They're no good. They're castaways."

The lieutenant said many county jail inmates are arrested for minor offenses like driving with a suspended or revoked license, and many leave the facility quickly.

"You can see them tomorrow in Walmart," he said. "They can come in today and get out tomorrow."

He said that even though most inmates swear they will never return to jail after their release, many wind up back behind bars.

Goode said the jail has many programs to give inmates tools to succeed after release, like Alcoholics Anonymous.

He added, however, that one of the most effective ways correctional officers help inmates is simply to sit down next to them and talk, offering life advice or just a word of encouragement.

"When you've got an inmate down, they think they have

nothing left to live for," he said.

He added that jail surveillance cameras have captured everyone from the sheriff to the correctional deputies sitting down with inmates, offering a listening ear.

Goode said he frequently tells inmates that despite their present situation, their lives are not over and that with some good decisions, they have a future.

He said that he often runs into former inmates in the community who thank him for his encouragement and report that they are holding down a job and have a stable family life.

From his spot in the audience, Sheriff Smith added that he runs into former inmates at the post office, and some have paid for his meals at restaurants.

"We live with these individuals each and every day," he said. "There are a few people that are evil, and we still treat them as human beings."

Two to three percent of our population is probably 80% of our work," he said. "There are some evil, bad people that we have incarcerated, but what Lieutenant Goode said is correct. Most people are good. They just make bad decisions, and without faith and hope, these people could go in a totally different direction."

The sheriff added a vivid example of how former inmates can contribute to society.

He told the club that several years ago, he was fighting with a suspect along a road when a pickup pulled up, and three men hopped out to help him gain control of the suspect.

The sheriff added that after the brawl, he realized that all three of his helpers were former inmates at the jail.



## BHS Classes of 1949 and 1950 Reunion

The 1949 and 1950 classes of Bradford High School held a reunion on April 20 at the Downtown Grill. While enjoying a delicious meal, the members reminisced about the "good ol' school days." Those in attendance were (front, l-r) Grace Dickinson Malone, Ruth Sibley Johns, Helen Barry Crosby, Kenneth Grider, Dolores McKnight Koretz, Vivian McRae Harley, Peggy Tilley Godwin, (back) Lewis Haines, Ray Griffis, Bob Stefanelli, Clifton Giffis and Drew Reddish.



## Heavy (equipment) competition

Bradford County sent public works employees to the Lake City Equipment Rodeo sponsored by Ring Power Corporation. They were among the 28 competitors from throughout the region. Raymond Fink won Challenge 2, which was the wheeled excavator. Other employees attending and competing were Dale Norman, John McKinney and David Smith.

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### About the Duty Owens Family Scholarship

The Duty Owens Family Scholarship, also known as the "D.O." Scholarship, was founded in 2011 by attorney, VeRonica R. Owens, and the Duty and Owens families.

The D.O. Scholarship started as a small seed that VeRonica and her family planted the year after she opened her private law practice in Keystone Heights, the goal of which was to honor her grandparents, Earnest and Frances Duty and Woodrow and Lena Owens, who reflected the grit and determination found in James 1:22, "Be ye doers of the Word."

In its first year, the scholarship presented three awards at three area high schools, and over the last thirteen years, the D.O. Scholarship has grown in its participation and reach. Members of the Duty and Owens families from Florida, Virginia, West Virginia, Tennessee, and Nebraska joined together to grow the fund and honor their living, thriving heritage of hard work, faith in Christ, and dedication to future generations. They truly believe that they sit in the shade of trees planted long ago. As of 2023, VeRonica and her family have awarded over \$60,000.00 in scholarships to 151 deserving seniors at eight Florida high schools and one Virginia high school, located in the hometown of VeRonica's parents, Ron and Rose Owens.

VeRonica was the Keystone Heights High School's class of 2002 salutatorian, and went on to attend Florida State University and later obtain her Juris Doctor in 2009. She is married to her law school sweetheart, Peter Penrod, attorney and Chief of Staff

**VeRonica R. Owens, Attorney**

for Florida's Chief Financial Officer, Jimmy Patronis. They have five spirited children, Peter II (age 9), Evangelena (age 7), Margarette (age 6), Francena (age 4), and Christiane (age 1).

VeRonica is proud to serve the Lake Region, Northeast Florida, and beyond, and has established offices in Keystone Heights and Middleburg, Florida. VeRonica is a Florida Supreme Court Certified Family and Civil Mediator and has her certification in Elder Mediation. Her prayer is to serve her communities in accordance with Micah 6:8, "Do justice, love mercy, and walk humbly with God."

# Obituaries

## Lisa Boulding

Lisa Boulding, 63, of Raiford, died Saturday, May 13, 2023, surrounded by her loving family. She was preceded in death by her parents; and her brother, Leslie Morris.

Survivors are her husband of over 30 years, Carl Boulding of Raiford; children, Arianne (Donald) Martin of Middleburg, Zayne Tice of Starke and Carissa (James) Bentley of Deltona; five grandchildren; and many extended family members.

Funeral services will be held Thursday, May 18, at 11 a.m. at Jones-Gallagher Funeral Home, 620 E. Nona St., Starke, 32091. Burial will take place in Crosby Lake Cemetery, Starke.

## Margaret Campbell

Margaret Louise Campbell, 74, passed away peacefully on Saturday, May 13, 2023, in San Antonio, Texas. She was born on May 23, 1948, in Jacksonville, to Lindsey Rowe Jr. and Willa Starling Rowe. She was a dietitian at North East Florida State Hospital until her retirement. She was an exceptional professional who dedicated her life to helping others. She loved the outdoors and cherished her time camping, fishing, and gardening. She was also a frequent visitor to yard sales, where she often found hidden treasures. She had a strong bond with her sisters that lasted throughout her life. She entertained her family with great joy and happiness. She was preceded in death by her parents, Lindsey Jr. and Willa Rowe; her husband, George Campbell; sons, John Geskie and Michael Geskie; and brothers, Larry Rowe and Lindsey Rowe.

She is survived by her son, Joseph (Cynthia) Starling of Lake Butler; daughters, Raven Gaskins and Katie Matthews, both of Jacksonville; sisters, Jewell (Billy) Hall, Anne Hurst, Elaine Valdez; grandchildren, Dalton, Jady, Walker, Chris, Ky, Desi, Mya, Aaliyah, Kingston, and Izaiah; along with several other relatives and friends who will all miss her dearly.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Archer-Milton Funeral Home, 55 N. Lake Ave., Lake Butler where visitation will be held on Saturday, May 20, from 1 p.m. until 2 p.m. Funeral services will begin at 2 p.m. Interment will be at Jacksonville National Cemetery on Monday, May 22, at 9 a.m.

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## Richard Chandler

Pastor Richard Chandler, 79, of Starke passed on Friday, May 12, 2023, at Haven Hospice of Gainesville. He was a lifelong resident of Bradford County and a member of New Hope Missionary Baptist Church. He attended the local schools of Bradford County and retired from E.I. Dupont De Nemours Company as head operator. He was of the Baptist faith and also a past member of the Morning Star Masonic Lodge #26, member of the "Starke Tigers" baseball team, the "Bradford Hawks" basketball team and an RJE Tiger.

He is survived by his wife, Linda Dianne Chandler; son, Edward Lamar Hamilton Sr.; daughter, Rasheeta D. Chandler-Cole; brothers, Harrington Chandler, Christy Chandler, Ross Chandler, Harold Chandler, Captain Early Chandler, Michael C. Chandler Sr. and Gregory Chandler; sisters, Mary Taylor, Bettye Fluellen, Juanita Phillips, Sandra J. Chandler and Marilyn Thomas; and a host of grandchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins and many sorrowing friends.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, May 20, at the True Vine Outreach Ministries Church, Starke with Associate Pastor Edward Lamar Hamilton (Eulogist) conducting the services. Interment will be at Oddfellow Cemetery, Starke, under the direction of Haile Funeral Home, Inc., 802 N. Oak St., Starke, 32091 904-964-7905. Visitation will be at New Hope Missionary Baptist Church on Friday, May 19, with family hour from 3:30 p.m. until 4:30 p.m. and friends from 4:30 p.m. until 6 p.m. The cortege will form at New Hope Missionary Baptist Church, 1662 Old Lawtey Road, Starke, 32091 at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, May 20. \*\*All floral tributes are greatly appreciated for the services. In lieu of flowers, if you would like to make a donation in the loving memory of Pastor Richard Chandler, please make donations to Haven Hospice of Gainesville via check to: The Haven Foundation, 4200 N.W. 90th Blvd., Gainesville, 32606 or online at Beourhaven.org.

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## Ellis Coleman

Ellis Eugene Coleman passed away peacefully while surrounded by family on Saturday, May 6, 2023, after a brief illness. He was 79 years old. He was a native of Bradford County, making his mark in history through his relationships with people and his service to the area. Everyone knew Ellis. With his tall frame and a shockingly impressive head of thick red hair, he made lasting impacts in Bradford and Alachua counties and the city of Hawthorne with his memorable persona. Born to Lillie Lee Coleman and Frank Coleman on May 19, 1943, he was a native to Bradford County. He was preceded in death by his parents; and brothers, Robert "Bobby," Roy, Harold, and Ernest. With siblings and friends, he took advantage of childhood weekends exploring, hunting, swimming, fishing, and camping. He was a member of the Army National Guard and loved this country and the opportunities it provided. He was part of the first graduating class of EMTs for Alachua County. That was the start of leaving his mark on the area. For the city of Hawthorne, he served three-plus terms as a city councilman, going on to be elected mayor of the city for six terms. He was also a 46-year, 32<sup>nd</sup>-Degree Master Mason of Hawthorne, Lodge #103. Living out his philosophy of being known by action over words, he launched a 30-year career as a real estate developer and 25 years as a well driller. He never met a house he did not want to rehab. He was also a voracious reader of history and US Presidents and enjoyed classic western movies in down time.

He is survived by his wife of 32 years, Janie; children, Denise (Ken) Story, Dena (Dan) Lewandowski of Keystone Heights, Donna (Jerry) Waters of Hawthorne; stepchildren, Diana (Leslie) Hollis of Murfreesboro, Tennessee, and Hayden (Carrie) Gafford of Winchester, Virginia; and sisters, Inez Kappellen, Wanda Cribbs, and Clarise Tussinger all of Starke. He was a devoted "Grandpa," often attending sporting events and performances and offering life advice to grandchildren Kelsey (Tyler) Waters-David, Weslee Waters, Jack Lewandowski, Luke Lewandowski, Mark Lewandowski, Lindsay (Chad) Hill, Julia Hollis, Gwen Hollis and Emma Hollis; and great-grandson, Hollis Hill. The family wishes to express sincere thanks for the excellent care provided by UF Health Shand's Cancer Hospital and Haven Hospice.

The Celebration of Life will be held at the Park of Palms Church, 753 Hebron Ave., Keystone Heights, 32656 at 1 p.m. on Saturday, May 20. In lieu of flowers, please contribute to your favorite charity in his name. Those who knew Ellis or his family are welcome to join and share their memories of classic Ellis moments.

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## Clyde Griffis Jr.

Clyde Clinton Griffis Jr. passed away on Sunday, May 14, 2023, at the age of 85 in Starke. He was born on Nov. 4, 1937, in Lawtey, to his parents Clyde Sr. and Sybil Rosier Griffis and spent most of his childhood there. He attended Bradford County High School and graduated in 1955. Afterward, he joined the U.S. Air Force, where he spent two years serving our country. While stationed in Arizona, he attended college and met the love of his life. He was a devoted husband to Roberta Griffis, whom he was married to for 38 years before her death. He also had five daughters: Denise Griffis of Starke, Michelle (Mark) Tompkins of Starke, Teresa Elliott of Missouri, Amy Lamb of Trenton and Daphne Lamb of Trenton, whom he loved and cherished immensely. He had an array of hobbies and interests which included playing games with his grandkids, reading books that piqued his interests, and fishing, as it brought peace to him whenever things got overwhelming. Most importantly though, he loved telling stories about growing up and his time in the military; as well as working on farms, as it allowed him a chance to always be active. He will be remembered for his loving nature and willingness to help anyone he could. He was a man of integrity whose kindness spoke volumes about his character. Whenever he spent time interacting with everyone who had the privilege of knowing him, he did so without any judgment and only wanted to make them feel happy. His legacy will continue to live on through the family and friends he impacted while alive. He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Roberta Griffis; grandson, John O'Neal Jr.; sister, Geraldine Griffis McDonald; brother, John Solomon Griffis; and nephew, Carl McDonald.

He is survived by his five daughters mentioned earlier; grandchildren, Justin Griffis, Selah (Austin) Browning, Jared (Miranda) Griffis, Joseph "Josh" O'Neal, Jacob O'Neal, Amber O'Neal; numerous foster grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren; numerous foster great-grandchildren; along with many nieces and nephews who he loved and adored with all his heart.

On Saturday, May 20, from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. there will be a visitation service for friends and family members at Archer-Milton Funeral Home, 55 N. Lake Ave., Lake Butler. The funeral service ceremony will be held the next day at Bayless Highway Baptist Church, 11798 N.W. C.R. 225, Starke, beginning at 2 p.m. The burial ceremony is scheduled immediately afterward at Long Branch Cemetery, 5500 Long Branch Cemetery Road, Jacksonville.

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## Betty Crawford

On Thursday, May 11, 2023, Betty Grace Crawford passed away peacefully in her home surrounded by her loving family. She was born Dec. 7, 1923, in Bartow to Mattie Mae and Bradley Taylor. She moved to Union County in 1936, where she met the love of her life, St. Claire "Red" Crawford. The two were married July 26, 1941, and went on to have 12 children before his death in 1974. She was a founding member of Blackwelder Memorial Baptist Church in Worthington Springs and remained an avid and dedicated member until her passing. Her greatest wish was that her family find and accept the Lord and serve him. She was known for her loving devotion to her family, her quick wit, her admiration for flowers, enjoyment of puzzles, and her passion for Jesus. She was preceded in death by her husband; "Red"; her son, Billy Crawford; her daughter, Linda-Kay Jones; her granddaughters, Tammy Grammer and Landa Yester; four brothers; and two sisters.

She is survived by her brother, James Taylor; and two sisters, Becky Stone and Virginia Benton; her children, Wayne (Pauline) Crawford, Mary-Sue (Benny) Adams, Barbara (Bill) Sefcik, H.G. (Connie) Crawford, Pat (Chuck) Kuhn, Charles (Susie) Crawford, Larry (Joyce) Crawford, Martha (Bill) Stein, Lester Crawford, and Kim (Rodney) Barnett; her son-in-law, Paul Jones; and her daughter-in-law, Gail Crawford; 35 grandchildren; 57 great-grandchildren; and 24 great-great-grandchildren.

A service to honor her life was held Tuesday, May 16, at Archer-Milton Funeral Home. She was laid to rest immediately following the service at Ft. Call Cemetery. Services were officiated by Rev. Sid Baker, Rev. Bobby Clayatt, and Rev. Barry Hedrich. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to Gideon's International at gideons.org/donate or St. Jude's Children's Hospital at stjude.org/donate

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## Joel M. Hull

Joel Mathew Hull Sr., 92, of Palatka passed away on Saturday, May 13, 2023, at Roberts Haven Hospice Care Center following a brief illness. Joel went by Joe, but was called "Joe Mack" by many from Palatka. He was born in Live Oak on Apr. 23, 1931. His family moved from Live Oak to East Palatka when he was a youngster. He graduated from Mellon High School in 1949, where he played football (All Conference) and baseball. He served as Vice-President of the Senior Class as well. Following high school, he attended Rollins College on a football scholarship. Rollins discontinued the football program, but offered the football players an opportunity to try out for baseball and to continue with a scholarship if they made the baseball team. He made the baseball team and later earned his B.S. degree in Education from Rollins. He belonged to the Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity at Rollins. He would later earn his master's degree from Southeastern Louisiana University. He began his coaching and teaching career in Eau Gallie, where he met his sweetheart of 69 years. He later moved to Starke for a coaching job, moved to Palatka for a teaching and coaching job and, in 1961, moved to Panama City, where he taught history, was an assistant coach and became head football coach and athletic director of the Bay County Tornados. He ended his coaching tenure in 1973 and took a job in administration as an assistant principal in Starke. After three years in Starke, he took the job of principal at Crescent City High School. He ended his career in education at the district office as human resource director. He had been involved in many endeavors in the Putnam County community. He was an active member of St. James Methodist Church, where he held many positions in service to his church. He belonged to the Crescent City Rotary Club for many years. He was a charter member of the Sunrise Rotary Club of Palatka, where he was past president and served on the board of directors. He was honored with the Paul Harris Fellow Award as well. He was an avid Florida Gator fan and belonged to the Putnam County Gator Club. He served on the Riverbend Condominium Board over the years, where he loved to get out in his boat and fish with family and friends. He and Nancy made several mission trips to Haiti, servicing those less fortunate. He was a longtime supporter of Rodeheaver Boys Ranch, where he liked to take people to see the good work being done there. He was preceded in death by his parents, James B. and Dana Lanier Hull; his precious baby, William Brantley Hull; as well as his siblings, J. B. Hull Jr., and Kathryn Hull Dancy.

He is survived by his wife, Nancy Snead Hull; daughter, Nancy K. Hull Denmark; sons, Joel Matthew (Sheila) Hull Jr. and Michael Scott (Julie) Hull; grandchildren, Stephen G. Denmark III, Joel Matthew (Jules) Hull III, Zachary Scott (Lindsey) Hull, Taylor (Justin) Hull (Justin) and Dalton Scott Hull; four precious great-grandchildren, Ava Dorsey, Brantley Hull, Palmer Hawkins and Sadie Jane Hull; and many nieces and nephews.

Services celebrating his precious life will be Thursday, May 18, at 11 a.m. with visitation at 10 a.m. The visitation and service will be held at St. James Methodist Church with Pastor John Schafer and Rev. Hardy Sandlin officiating. Burial will follow at Westview Cemetery, Palatka. Flowers are gratefully accepted, or memorial donations may be sent to St. James Methodist

Church, 400 Reid St., Palatka, 32177 or to Rodeheaver Boys Ranch, 380 Boys Ranch Road, Palatka, 32177. Memories and condolences may be expressed to the family at Joe's Book of Memories page at www.johnsonoverturfunerals.com

Arrangements are entrusted to Johnson-Overturf Funeral Home in Palatka.

PAID OBITUARY

## Hendrix Kagey

Hendrix Alexander Kagey, 5, of Keystone Heights, passed away on Friday, May 12, 2023. He was born on Sept. 12, 2017.

He is survived by his parents, Desiree Kagey and James Everson; sister, Primrose Kagey; grandparents; and many extended family members.

A Celebration of Life was held Tuesday, May 16, at Jones-Gallagher Funeral Home in Keystone Heights.

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

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# Legal Notices

Legals for the week of May 18, 2023

## BRADFORD

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR BRADFORD COUNTY CASE NO.: 2022-CP-000015 PROBATE DIVISION

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF FREDERICK R. PHILLIPS, DECEASED.

FORMAL NOTICE TO CREDITORS The administration of the estate of FREDERICK R. PHILLIPS deceased, whose date of death was August 20, 2021, is pending in the Circuit Court For Bradford County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 4779 SE 109<sup>th</sup> Street, Starke, FL 32091 to-wit:

A parcel of land containing 1.08 acres, more or less, and lying in the SE1/4 of Section 20, Township South, Range 22 East, Bradford County, Florida, said parcel being more particularly described in Exhibit A attached. Parcel Indication Number: 04943-0-00405.

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 April 27, 2023.

CHARLES DANIEL SIKES 817 W. MacMahon Street Starke, Florida 32091 Email: dan.sikes30@gmail.com (904) 964-2020 Florida Bar No: 0886858 Attorney for Petitioner Tina Phillips Personal Representative

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IN THE CIRCUIT CIVIL COURT OF THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR BRADFORD COUNTY CIVIL DIVISION Case No. 22000346CA Division

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY AS TRUSTEE FOR THE RMAC TRUST, SERIES 2018 G-CTT Plaintiff,

vs. BRAXTON L. BRITT, JR. A/K/A BRAXTON LEON BRITT, JR. A/K/A BRAXTON L. BRITT A/K/A BRAXTON LEON BRITT A/K/A BRAXTON LEON BRITT, JR., DANA NICOLE BRITT A/K/A DANA BRITT; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF BRAXTON L. BRITT, JR. A/K/A BRAXTON LEON BRITT, JR. A/K/A BRAXTON L. BRITT A/K/A BRAXTON LEON BRITT A/K/A BRAXTON BRITT, JR., AND UNKNOWN TENANTS/OWNERS, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE Notice is hereby given, pursuant to Final Judgment of Foreclosure for Plaintiff entered in this cause on April 20, 2023, in the Circuit Court of Bradford County, Florida, Denny Thompson, Clerk of the Circuit Court, will sell the property situated in Bradford County, Florida described as:

A PARCEL OF LAND CONTAINING 1.83 ACRES, LYING IN THE SW ¼ OF SW ¼ OF SECTION 2, TOWNSHIP 7 SOUTH, RANGE 22 EAST, BRADFORD COUNTY, FLORIDA; SAID PARCEL BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

COMMENCE AT THE SE CORNER OF SAID SW ¼ OF SW ¼, AND RUN N 89°, 33' 40" W, ALONG THE SOUTHERLY BOUNDARY THEREOF, 687.14 FT. TO THE EASTERLY BOUNDARY OF THE RIGHT-OF-WAY OF S.R. S-100A; THENCE N 27°, 45' 20" E, ALONG SAID EASTERLY BOUNDARY, 64.09 FT. TO A CONCRETE MONUMENT LOCATED AT THE BEGINNING OF A CURVE CONCAVE TO THE WEST AND HAVING A RADIUS OF 1195.92 FT.; CONTINUE THENCE IN A NORTHERLY DIRECTION, ALONG SAID EASTERLY BOUNDARY AND ALONG THE ARC OF SAID CURVE, 165.42 FT. AS MEASURED ALONG A CHORD HAVING A BEARING OF N 23°, 47' 23" E, TO AN IRON PIPE (HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO AS IP) FOR POINT OF BEGINNING. FROM POINT OF BEGINNING THUS DESCRIBED, CONTINUE NORTHERLY, ALONG SAID EASTERLY BOUNDARY AND ALONG THE ARC OF SAID CURVE, 319.88 FT. AS MEASURED ALONG

A CHORD HAVING A BEARING OF N 12°, 08' 18" E, TO AN IP; THENCE RUN N 84°, 16' 59" E, 288.23 FT. TO AN IP; THENCE S 21°, 11' 06" W, 368.09 FT. TO AN IP; THENCE N 89°, 33' 32" W, 220.99 FT. TO POINT OF BEGINNING. TOGETHER WITH THAT CERTAIN 2005 HOMES OF MERIT, FOREST MANOR MODEL 3210V MOBILE HOME, VIN(S) FLHML3F1710-28734A/B and commonly known as: 13449 SE COUNTY ROAD #100A, STARKE, FL 32091; including the building, appurtenances, and fixtures located therein, at public sale, to the highest and best bidder, for cash, at the east front door of the Bradford County Courthouse, on July 27, 2023 at 11:00 A.M..

Any persons claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim before the clerk reports the surplus as unclaimed. Dated this 3rd day of May, 2023. Clerk of the Circuit Court Denny Thompson

By: K. JENKINS Deputy Clerk Invoice to: David R. Byars (813) 229-0900 x Kass Shuler, P.A. 1505 N. Florida Ave. Tampa, FL 33602-2613 ForeclosureService@kasslaw.com

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COUNTY ORDINANCE AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF BRADFORD COUNTY, FLORIDA, PROHIBITING SMOKING AND VAPING IN PUBLIC PARKS WITHIN THE COUNTY; AND CREATING SECTIONS 38-1 THROUGH 38-3 OF THE BRADFORD COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

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

Certificate Number: 1153 Year of Issuance: 2016 Parcel Number: 05218-A-01100 Case Number: 04-2023-TD-007 Description of Property: Lot Eleven (11) located in Ritchey Estates as per an unrecorded plat of Ritchey Estates per a survey dated June 1, 1978 by JOSEPH G. KNAPP, REG. Land Surveyor, Fla. Cert. No. 2061, and being located in the following described parcel of land: All that part of SW 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 1, Township 8 South, Range 22 East, that lies West of State Road No. 100, Book 858, Page 183, Bradford County, Florida, parcel no. 05218-A-01100,

TOGETHER WITH a mobile home located on property, VIN #1GBKP37W3E3351639 Name in Which Assessed: MARK JACKSON

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 07/12/2023, 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

DATED: May 3, 2023 DATE OF PUBLICATION: MAY 11, 2023; MAY 18, 2023; MAY 25, 2023; JUNE 01, 2023

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

FILE NO.: 04-2022-CP-23 IN RE: THE ESTATE OF SHARON JEAN SIMS, DECEASED.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The formal administration of the estate of SHARON JEAN SIMS, who died on November 19, 2021, is pending in the Circuit Court of Bradford County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is the Clerk of the Circuit Court, 945 N. Temple Avenue, Starke, FL 32091. The names and addresses of the PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE and attorney are set forth below.

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

All other creditors of the DECEDENT and other persons having claims or demands against the DECEDENT'S

estate must file their claims with this COURT WITHIN THREE (3) MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN SECTION 733.702 OF THE FLORIDA PROBATE CODE WILL BE FOREVER BARRED. NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.

The date of first publication of this NOTICE TO CREDITORS is May 11, 2023.

MELISSA GILLENWATERS-REDDISH PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE 1733 NE 154th Street Starke, FL 32091 Respectfully submitted, VeRonica R. Owens, Attorney at Law, P.A. By: /s/ VeRonica R. Owens, Esq. Fla. Bar No.: 73568 VeRonica@VeRonicaROwens.org 189 South Lawrence Boulevard Keystone Heights, FL 32656 2000 Henley Road, Suite B Middleburg, FL 32068 Telephone: (352) 473-5000 Attorneys for PETITIONER

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NOTICE OF SCHEDULE FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PLAN The City of Hampton proposes to adopt by ordinance a SCHEDULE FOR THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PLAN OF THE ADOPTED LOCAL COMPREHENSIVE PLAN. A public hearing on the ordinance will be held at City Hall at 5784 Navarre Avenue, Hampton, Florida, at 7:00 p.m., on May 23, 2023.

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PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE CareerSource Florida Crown will hold an Executive Committee meeting as shown below:

Date: May 23, 2023 (Tuesday) Time: 11:00 AM Location: CareerSource Florida Crown Board Room 1389 US Highway 90 W/Lake City, FL 32055

Zoom Information: Call In: 312 626 6799 US Meeting ID: 821 2871 3232 Participant ID: #2

Pastcode: 902921 https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82128713232?pwd=VjhVb0p5bzJqenBuQz0vSjVqc2VlZz09

The public is invited to attend. Notice has been made of this meeting, through publication, to comply with the "Government in the Sunshine Law". All CareerSource Florida Crown public meetings are listed on the CareerSource Florida Crown web site at [www.careersourcefloridacrown.com](http://www.careersourcefloridacrown.com).

CareerSource Florida Crown is an Equal Opportunity Employer/Program. Auxiliary aids and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities using TTY/TDD equipment via the Florida Relay Service at 711. Contact Jeff Geering at 386-755-9026 X 3221. If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the board, agency, or commission with respect to any matter considered at such meeting or hearing, he or she will need to record the proceedings, and that, for such purpose, he or she will need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

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Tillman Infrastructure, LLC proposes to build a 275-foot Self-support Communications Tower at the approx. vicinity of 13813 S. Highway 301, Starke, Bradford County, FL 32091. Public comments regarding potential effects from this site on historic properties may be submitted within 30 days from the date of this publication to: Trileaf Corp, Benjamin Allen, b.allen@trileaf.com, phone: 678-653-8673, 1395 South Marietta Parkway, Building 400, Suite 209, Marietta, GA 30067.

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INVITATION FOR BID

The Town of Brooker is seeking bids from all qualified individuals and companies interested in the interior painting of the Brooker Town Hall and Brooker Community Center. Proposal to include but not limited to labor, equipment, and materials. Scope of work to include painting of all interior walls, doors, door frames and baseboards. For more specific information, please contact Suzanne McRee at 352-485-1022 (office hours Mon, Wed & Fri — 9:00 am — 1:00 pm)

All bids must include proof of liability insurance, proof of worker's compensation coverage and necessary licensure/certification for the project. Bids must be sealed and received on or before 1:00 p.m. on Monday, June 12, 2023. Mailing address: PO Box 127, Brooker, FL 32622. Also, a drop box is located at the Town Hall office if you would like to deliver the bid. The Town Council reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids.

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INVITATION FOR BID

The Town of Brooker is seeking bids from all qualified individuals and companies interested in the repair work necessary to repair an outside storage/utility structure for the Town of Brooker. Proposal to include but not limited to labor, equipment, and materials. Scope of work to include removal of entire roof structure, removal of all debris, framing of new utility building roof system, installation and anchoring of roof metal and trim, removal of existing double doors and installation of replacement roll-up door. For more specific information, please contact Suzanne McRee at 352-485-1022 (office hours Mon, Wed & Fri — 9:00 am — 1:00 pm)

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

Bids must be sealed and received on or before 1:00 p.m. on Monday, June 12, 2023. Mailing address: PO Box 127, Brooker, FL 32622. Also, a drop box is located at the Town Hall office if you would like to deliver the bid. The Town Council reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids.

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

Case No. 04-2023-CP-000031 Division: Probate

IN RE: ESTATE OF GEORGE WILLIAM CARDIN JR., Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of George William Cardin Jr., deceased, whose date of death was July 15, 2022, is pending in the Circuit Court for Bradford County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 945 N. Temple Ave., Starke, FL 32091.

The 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 must file their claims with this court ON OR BEFORE THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

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

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

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

The date of first publication of this notice is May 18, 2023.

Linda R. Cardin, Personal Representative P.O. Box 187

Graham, FL 32042 HARRISON ESTATE LAW, P.A. By: Julie C. Marble, Esquire

Florida Bar Number: 1031924 Email: julie@harrisonestatelaw.com Attorney for Linda R. Cardin 6224 NW 43<sup>rd</sup> Street, Suite B Gainesville, FL 32653

Tel: (352) 559-9828 Fax: (352) 559-0880 Secondary Email: [eservice@harrisonestatelaw.com](mailto:eservice@harrisonestatelaw.com)

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Notice is hereby given:

Jessie S. Williams Last known address of: 518 Edwards Rd Starke FL 32091

You are hereby notified that your eligibility to vote is in question. You are required to contact the Supervisor of Elections, in Starke, Florida, no later than thirty (30) days after the date of this publishing. Failure to respond will result in a determination of ineligibility by the Supervisor and your name will be removed from the statewide voter registration system. Published one time in the Bradford County Telegraph Amanda Seyfang Bradford County Supervisor of Elections P. O. Box 58 945 N. Temple Ave., Suite C Starke, FL 32091

Date: May 15, 2023

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REQUEST FOR BIDS NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Bradford County S.H.I.P. Program will receive sealed bids until 2:30 p.m. June 5, 2023 at the Bradford County Office of the County Clerk located at 945 North Temple Avenue, Starke, Florida 32091 for the following:

Renovation/Demo/Replacement of residence located at: A. 1103 N. Thompson, Starke (Renovation)

A mandatory walk through is a prerequisite to a valid bid. All interested bidders will meet at 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, May 24, 2023 at the Community Development Office located at 925-E North Temple Avenue in Starke, Florida. If you plan to submit a bid, a representative of your firm must attend the "walk

through" of the unit to become familiar with the property and the scope of work to be completed.

No contractors shall visit the subject property for any reason without first making arrangements with the County and owner.

All contractors must have proof of Residential or General Contractor's License, proof of Liability Insurance, proof of Workers' Compensation Insurance (or Exemption Card), a statement of non-discrimination, and at least two references from previously completed jobs.

Bids will be opened at 2:30 p.m. on June 5, 2023 or as soon thereafter as possible in the presence of the Clerk or his designee, Community Development staff, and all interested persons in the Bradford County Board of County Commission Meeting Room.

The opened bids will be read into public record and preserved in the custody of the Community Development Department.

Bids will not be valid unless received by the bid deadline and in a sealed envelope marked, "Sealed Bid, S.H.I.P." and received by 2:30 p.m., June 5, 2023.

Questions to be submitted in writing to the Community Development office at [kelly.canady@bradfordcountyfl.gov](mailto:kelly.canady@bradfordcountyfl.gov) or Fax (904) 966-6384 no later than 2:30 p.m. Monday, May 29 2023.

The County reserves the right to reject all bids when in its best judgment they are too high or when it is determined to be in the best interest of the County that the bids be re-advertised. Pursuant to Section 255.0991, Florida Statutes, Bradford County WILL NOT offer a local preference for this project.

It is the policy of the County to promote equal opportunity to obtain adequate housing by all persons, regardless of race, color, religion, sex, familial status, handicap, or national origin.

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## UNION

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 8th JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR UNION COUNTY, FLORIDA Case No.: 63-2023-DR-0029 Division:

SAVANTE EDWARDS Petitioner, and KELLY KEENE Respondent

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

TO: KELLY KEENE 10960 SW 103RD STREET, BROOKER, FL 32622

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for dissolution of marriage has been filed against you and that you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on SAVANTE EDWARDS whose address is 2657 NE 389TH AVE, OLD TOWN, FL 32680 on or before JUNE 1ST, 2023, and file the original with the clerk of this Court at 55 WEST MAIN STREET, ROOM 103, LAKE BUTLER, FL 32054 before service on Petitioner or immediately thereafter. If you fail to do so, a default may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the petition.

The action is asking the court to decide how the following real or personal property should be divided: (insert "none" or, if applicable, the legal description of real property, a specific description of personal property, and the name of the county in Florida where the property is located)

Copies of all court documents in this case, including orders, are available at the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office. You may review these documents upon request.

You must keep the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office notified of your current address. (You may file Designation of Current Mailing and E-Mail Address, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.915.) Future papers in this lawsuit will be mailed or e-mailed to the address(es) on record at the clerk's office.

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

Dated: April 28, 2023 CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT BY: C. NORMAN Deputy Clerk

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR UNION COUNTY, FLORIDA 21000045CAAXMX

CITIMORTGAGE, INC., Plaintiff,

VS. UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, SURVIVING SPOUSE, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEE, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES, AND ALL OTHER PARTIES CLAIMING AN INTEREST BY THROUGH UNDER OR AGAINST THE ESTATE OF HENRY W. FILER, DECEASED, KING SOLOMON GRIGGER; ANTHONY J. FILER; CHARLIE FILER; HAROLD YOUNG; HENRIETTA WILLIAMS; SONYA FILER; ANGELA FILER; UNKNOWN TENANT #1; UNKNOWN TENANT #2;

Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that sale will be made pursuant to an Order Resetting Sale entered on May 4, 2023 in Civil Case No. 21000045CAAXMX, of the Circuit Court of the EIGHTH Judicial Circuit in and for Union County, Florida, wherein, CITIMORTGAGE, INC. is the Plaintiff, and UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, SURVIVING SPOUSE, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEE, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES, AND ALL OTHER PARTIES CLAIMING AN INTEREST BY THROUGH UNDER OR AGAINST THE ESTATE OF HENRY W. FILER, DECEASED, KING SOLOMON GRIGGER; ANTHONY J. FILER; CHARLIE FILER; HAROLD YOUNG; HENRIETTA WILLIAMS; SONYA FILER; ANGELA FILER; UNKNOWN TENANT #1 N/K/A SHARON WILLIAMS are Defendants.

The Clerk of the Court, Kellie Hendricks-Connell will sell to the highest bidder for cash at 55 W Main Street, Lake Butler, FL 32054 on July 13, 2023 at 11:00:00 AM EST the following described real property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

A PARCEL OF LAND CONTAINING A TOTAL AREA OF 1.2 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, LYING, BEING AND SITUATE IN THE NORTH 1/2 OF GOVERNMENT LOT 1, SECTION 31, TOWNSHIP 5 SOUTH, RANGE 20 EAST, CITY OF LAKE BUTLER, UNION COUNTY, FLORIDA, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCE AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SAID NORTH 1/2 OF GOVERNMENT LOT 1, SECTION 31, AND RUN NORTH 01 DEGREE 45 MINUTES 29 SECONDS WEST, ALONG THE EAST LINE OF SAID SECTION 31, A DISTANCE OF 63.55 FEET TO THE INTERSECTION WITH THE CENTERLINE OF STATE ROAD NUMBER 121; THENCE CONTINUE RUNNING NORTH 01 DEGREE 45 MINUTES 29 SECONDS WEST, CONTINUING ALONG SAID EAST LINE OF SECTION 31, A DISTANCE OF 143.19 FEET TO A POINT, SAID POINT BEING A DISTANCE OF 1174.66 FEET SOUTHERLY OF THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 31; THENCE RUN SOUTH 85 DEGREES 30 MINUTES 34 SECONDS WEST A DISTANCE OF 19.27 FEET TO THE INTERSECTION WITH THE WEST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF SOUTHEAST 5TH AVENUE (ALSO KNOWN AS EPPERSON STREET) AND THE POINT OF BEGINNING OF THE HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED PARCEL OF LAND; THENCE RUN SOUTH 00 DEGREES 49 MINUTES 12 SECONDS EAST, ALONG SAID WEST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF SOUTHEAST 5TH AVENUE, A DISTANCE OF 88.35 FEET; THENCE RUN SOUTH 42 DEGREES 10 MINUTES 48 SECONDS WEST, CONTINUING ALONG SAID WEST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE, A DISTANCE OF 21.94 FEET TO THE INTERSECTION WITH THE NORTH RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF SAID STATE ROAD NUMBER 121; THENCE RUN SOUTH 85 DEGREES 10 MINUTES 48 SECONDS WEST, ALONG SAID NORTH RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF STATE ROAD NUMBER 121, A DISTANCE OF 69.06 FEET; THENCE RUN NORTH 01 DEGREE 45 MINUTES 29 SECONDS WEST A DISTANCE OF 103.74 FEET; THENCE RUN SOUTH 85 DEGREES 30 MINUTES 34 SECONDS WEST A DISTANCE OF 315.00 FEET; THENCE RUN NORTH 01 DEGREE 45 MINUTES 29 SECONDS WEST A DISTANCE OF 105.00 FEET; THENCE RUN NORTH 85 DEGREES 30 MINUTES 34 SECONDS EAST A DISTANCE OF 402.45 FEET TO THE INTERSECTION WITH SAID WEST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF SOUTHEAST 5TH AVENUE; THENCE RUN SOUTH 00 DEGREES 49 MINUTES 12 SECONDS EAST, ALONG SAID WEST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF SOUTHEAST 5TH AVENUE, A DISTANCE OF 105.10 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim before the clerk reports the surplus as unclaimed. WITNESS my hand and the seal of the court on May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023 CLERK OF THE COURT Kellie Hendricks-Rhoades BY: C. Norman Deputy Clerk ALDRIDGE PITE, LLP Attorney for Plaintiff 5300 West Atlantic Avenue Suite 303 Delray Beach, FL 33484 Telephone: 561-392-6391 Facsimile: 561-392-6965 Primary E-Mail: [ServiceMail@aldridgepite.com](mailto:ServiceMail@aldridgepite.com) Deputy Clerk IMPORTANT AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT: If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator, Alachua County Courthouse, 201 East University Ave., Gainesville, FL 32601 at (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, please call 711.

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# Obituaries

## Betty Matthews

Betty Sue Matthews, 89, of Bland passed away peacefully at her home on Thursday, May 11, 2023. She was born Aug. 12, 1933, in Starke to the late Joel and Sarah Sapp Alvarez. She was a beautiful person inside and out. She always dressed impeccably and loved to accessorize. She had the biggest heart and most beautiful smile. She cared deeply for the people around her. She had incredible patience, and always made time to help others. She was very kind and thoughtful. She was instantly adored by every person that had the pleasure of meeting her. She will be forever missed. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband of 55 years, Bland Matthews; son, John C. Matthews; four brothers; and three sisters.



She is survived by her children, Joel Matthews of Bland and Bobbie (Larry) Dees of Ringgold, Georgia; grandchildren, Robert Dees, Bland Matthews, Courtney (Lorenzo) Sturgis, Alyssa Bradley; great-grandchildren, Dixie, Katie, Austin, Donnie, Vincent, Luci; and great-great-grandson, Quincy.

A service to honor her was held Monday, May 15, at Archer-Milton Funeral Home. She was laid to rest immediately following the service at Ft. Call Cemetery.

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

PAID OBITUARY

## Elzie Shadd

Elzie Allison Shadd, a loving husband to JoAnn Shadd, father of five, and a grandfather to six grandchildren, passed away at his family home on Sunday, May 14, 2023, in his hometown of Raiford. He was 78 years old. He was born on Feb. 18, 1945, to Elvin Shadd and Edna Varnes Shadd. He was a hard worker from a young age, and eventually went on to pursue a career in the sawmill industry. He worked long hours but always had time for family and friends. He served in the United States Army and was stationed in Germany during the Vietnam War. In 1983, he married the love of his life, JoAnn, and they spent 40 happy years together. He enjoyed farming, gardening, and anything outdoors. Throughout his entire life, he prioritized time with family above all else. His daughters, Donna (Jessie) Harvey of Raiford, Jennifer (Don) Andrews of Dunnellon, Kayla (Daniel) Cubbedge of Raiford; stepchildren, Billy Horne of Keystone Heights and Amy (Jason) Hunter of Macclenny held a special place in his heart, as did his grandchildren, Taylor Andrews, Chase Shadd, Baylie Cubbedge, Danni Cubbedge, Payton Parker, and Pierce Parker. As well as spending time with relatives that lived nearby such as siblings, Edward Shadd, Linda (Bill) Buchtmann (Bill), and Audrey (Jerry) Wilson; and a host of nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents; and his sister, Mary Nell Archer.



Services were held on Wednesday, May 17, at Archer-Milton Funeral Home in Lake Butler. Services were officiated by Pastor Randall A. Griffis Sr. The family would like to add special thanks to Jill Gaylord, Mindy Raulerson, Tom Tyer, Pam Way and Zach Six from Community Hospice for their special care.

PAID OBITUARY

## Patricia Yon

Mrs. Patricia "Pat" Ann Yon, 70, of Starke died Friday, May 12, 2023, at Haven Hospice in Gainesville.

Survivors are her daughters, Kerri (Charles) Leach of Gainesville and Brittany (David) Thornton of Starke; a sister, Norma-Jean Porter of Jacksonville; and four grandchildren.

There are currently no services scheduled. Arrangements are under the care of Jones-Gallagher Funeral Home, 620 E. Nona St., Starke, 32091. 904-964-6200. www.jonesgallagherfh.com.

# Legal Notices

Legals for the week of May 18, 2023

## UNION

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
RULE NAME: 5.13 Zero Tolerance for School Related Crimes  
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SUMMARY: To update Board Policies  
AUTHORITY: Florida Statutes  
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ECONOMIC IMPACT: None  
Policies can be viewed in the Office of the Superintendent of Schools, 55 SW Sixth Street, Lake Butler, Florida between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M.  
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## NOTICE OF ACTION

Union  
BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING IN RE: The license to practice Nursing Assistance  
Corissa Floyd, C.N.A.  
13853 North County Road 229  
Raiford, FL 32083  
120 SW 9th Avenue  
Lake Butler, FL 32054  
CASE NO.: 2021-33402  
LICENSE NO.: CNA366982  
The Department of Health has filed an Administrative Complaint against you, a copy of which may be obtained by contacting, Shannon Nelson, Assistant General Counsel, Prosecution Services Unit, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin #C65, Tallahassee Florida 32399-3265, (850) 558-9859. If no contact has been made by you concerning the above June 29, 2023 by the matter of the Administrative Complaint will be presented at an ensuing meeting of the Board of Nursing in an informal proceeding. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact the individual or agency sending this notice not later than seven days prior to the proceeding at the address given on the notice. Telephone: (850) 245-4640, 1-800-955-8771 (TDD) or 1-800-955-8770 (V), via Florida Relay Service.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR UNION COUNTY, FLORIDA  
CASE NO.: 22000028CAAXMX  
CALIBER HOME LOANS, INC., Plaintiff,  
vs.  
ANE-ELISE WORTHINGTON; DARREN E. WORTHINGTON; UNKNOWN TENANT(S) IN POSSESSION #1 and #2, and ALL OTHER UNKNOWN PARTIES, et al., Defendant(s).  
NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE  
(Publish in the The Union County Times)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated May 9, 2023, entered in Civil Case No.: 22000028CAAXMX of the Circuit Court of the Eighth Judicial Circuit in and for Union County, Florida, wherein CALIBER HOME LOANS, INC., Plaintiff, and ANE-ELISE WORTHINGTON; DARREN E. WORTHINGTON, are Defendants. I will sell to the highest bidder for cash, in the Front Lobby of the Union County Courthouse, 55 West Main Street, Lake Butler, FL 32054 at 11:00 AM, on the 7th day of September, 2023, the following described real property as set forth in said Judgment, to wit:  
A PARCEL OF LAND SITUATE IN SECTION 21, TOWNSHIP 6 SOUTH,

RANGE 18 EAST, UNION COUNTY, FLORIDA MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCE AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF NORTHEAST 1/4 OF SAID SECTION 21; THENCE RUN NORTH 88 DEGREES 20'12" EAST A DISTANCE OF 22.30 FEET TO THE INTERSECTION WITH THE WEST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF COUNTY ROAD NUMBER 791; THENCE RUN SOUTH 00 DEGREES 47'47" EAST, ALONG SAID WEST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF COUNTY ROAD NUMBER 791, A DISTANCE OF 281.60 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING OF THE HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED PARCEL OF LAND; THENCE CONTINUE RUNNING SOUTH 00 DEGREES 47'47" EAST, CONTINUING ALONG SAID WEST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF COUNTY ROAD NUMBER 791, A DISTANCE OF 600.00 FEET TO THE INTERSECTION WITH THE NORTHERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF COUNTY ROAD NUMBER 18, SAID POINT BEING THE ARC OF A CURVE; THENCE RUN WESTERLY, ALONG SAID NORTHERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF COUNTY ROAD NUMBER 18, A DISTANCE OF 450.48 FEET AS MEASURED ALONG THE ARC OF A CURVE CONCAVE SOUTHERLY AND HAVING A RADIUS OF 3869.82 FEET, SAID ARC BEING SUBTENDED BY A CHORD HAVING A BEARING OF NORTH 89 DEGREES 25'50" WEST AND A DISTANCE OF 450.23 FEET; THENCE RUN NORTH 01 DEGREES 37'19" WEST A DISTANCE OF 287.50 FEET; THENCE RUN NORTH 89 DEGREES 4'53" WEST A DISTANCE OF 149.53 FEET; THENCE RUN NORTH 01 DEGREES 37'19" WEST A DISTANCE OF 308.25 FEET; THENCE RUN SOUTH 89 DEGREES 46' 11" EAST, A DISTANCE OF 608.25 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

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WITNESS my hand and the seal of the court on May 11, 2023.  
KELLIE HENDRICKS RHOADES  
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## LAKE REGION

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO REGISTER FICTITIOUS NAME  
Pursuant to Section 865.09, Florida Statutes, notice is hereby given that the undersigned: FRESH START FELLOWSHIP, 7191 SR 21 NORTH, Keystone Heights, FL 32656, doing business under the firm name of: FRESH START CHRISTIAN ACADEMY, P O Box 747, Keystone Heights, FL 32656, intends to register fictitious name under the aforesaid statute. Dated this 10th day of May A.D., 2023, in CLAY County.

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# Crime

## Recent arrests in Bradford, Union and Clay

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

### Bradford

Anthony Joe Aiken, 49, of Starke was arrested by Bradford deputies on May 9 for battery, resisting an officer and aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

Johnnie Lee Alexander, 57, of Lake Butler was arrested by Bradford deputies on May 10 for driving with a suspended or revoked license, possession of drug equipment, possession of marijuana and fraud-impersonation.

Rudolph Carter, 65, of Starke was arrested by Bradford deputies on May 9 for a probation violation.

O'lvia, Williene Davis, 25, of Starke was arrested by Bradford deputies on May 7 for firing a weapon into a vehicle, attempted murder and child cruelty.

Brandon Christopher Gibbs, 35, of Keystone Heights was arrested by Bradford deputies on May 8 for a probation violation.

Troy Allen Gignac, 35, of Macintosh was arrested by Bradford deputies on May 11 for trafficking and methamphetamine and illegal use of a two-way communication device.

Lee Edward Goode, 30, of Inverness was arrested by Bradford deputies on May 9 for vehicle theft, larceny, possession of drug equipment and possession of drugs.

Michael Wilson Hall, 61, of Starke was arrested by Starke Police on May 12 for child cruelty and contributing to the delinquency of a minor.

Dawn Nicole Hayford, 42, of Starke was arrested by Bradford deputies on May 11 for failure to appear.

Tosha Leanne Hughes, 38, of Jacksonville was arrested by Bradford deputies on May 10 for an out-of-county warrant, possession of cocaine, possession of drug equipment and driving with a suspended or revoked license.

Frank Barney Jenkins, 54, of Middleburg was arrested by Bradford deputies on May 8 for contempt of court.

Daniel Roosevelt Knowles, 56, of Starke was arrested by Starke Police on May 8 for trespassing.

Therious Orlando McCloud, 41, of Starke was arrested by Starke police on May 9 for a probation violation.

Mark Howard Myers, 53, of Starke was arrested on May 8 for an out-of-county warrant.

Shane Pierce Oneal, 35, was arrested on May 12 for an out-of-county warrant.

Don Miguel Thomas, 42, of Lake Butler was arrested by Starke Police on May 12 for an out-of-county warrant.

Philip Shawn Michael Watson, 26, of Starke was arrested by Starke Police on May 11 for disorderly intoxication.

Dominique Tre'von Williams,

23, of Starke was arrested by Starke Police on May 11 for probation violations.

Kimberly Lynn Williams, 36, of Middleburg was arrested by Bradford deputies on May 8 for a probation violation.

### Union

Brandon Joseph Croft, 39, of Lake City was arrested by Union deputies on May 9 for resisting an officer.

Matthew D. Bassett, 40, of Milbury, Massachusetts, was arrested by Union deputies on May 10 for battery.

### Clay

Travis Allen Wright, 37, of Keystone Heights was arrested by Clay deputies on May 9 for aggravated assault on an officer, firefighter or EMT, resisting an officer with violence, simple assault and a concealed weapon law violation.

Zachary Destin Hurt, 22, of Keystone Heights was arrested on May 10 by Clay deputies for delivering or manufacturing opium and illegal use of a two-way communication device.

Christopher Lee Whiten, 27, of Keystone Heights was arrested by Clay deputies on May 11 for aggravated assault with a deadly weapon, possession of a weapon or ammunition by a convicted felon, shooting or throwing a missile into a dwelling, vehicle, building or aircraft, grand theft auto and violating an injunction for domestic violence.

Coy Lee Franklin, 32, of Keystone Heights was arrested by Clay deputies on May 11 for selling methamphetamine.

Hunter Clay Deen, 20, of Starke was arrested by Clay deputies on May 12 for possession of obscene material-viewing depictions of child sex and illegal use of a two-way communication device.

Melissa Jacquelyn Sheffield, 40, of Keystone Heights was arrested by Clay deputies on May 12 for possession of drug equipment and driving with a suspended or revoked license.

Ryan David Fitz, 46, of Keystone Heights was arrested by Clay deputies on May 12 for selling methamphetamine.

Randall Edward Vantassel, 59, of Melrose was arrested by Clay deputies on May 12 for selling methamphetamine, possession of a controlled substance without a prescription, and illegal use of a two-way communication device.

## Clay sheriff's office increasing trail patrols

Hiker said she was threatened with knife

BY DAN HILDEBRAN  
Telegraph Staff Writer

KEYSTONE HEIGHTS — Leaders within the Clay County Sheriff's Office said the agency is stepping up patrols on the Palatka-to-Lake Butler State Trail after a woman said she was threatened on the pathway by two men, one with a knife.

An audience member participating in a Sheriff's NET meeting at Keystone's St. William Catholic Church told the agency's Assistant Chief of Patrol for southern Clay County that she heard about the incident on Facebook but did not know whether or not to believe it.

"It did happen," responded Assistant Chief Jeremy Clark. "It, in so far as the elements of, at least from my perspective, the elements of the crime were met."

In the social media post, Kristin Altman Norman wrote that two men ambushed her and a friend while they walked on the trail between 8:30 and 9:30 a.m.

"We were walking between CVS and Immokalee Road," wrote Norman. "There was myself, my child in a stroller, my friend and her dog."

The woman added that as her group approached the entrance to Park of the Palms, in a secluded area with trees and shrubs on both sides of the trail, a man emerged from the bushes, followed by a second man.

"The first guy pulled out a knife, opened it, and began to veer closer to us," reported Norman. "Luckily, my friend's dog jumped into action, and it backed the first guy off."

Norman said the group then encountered the second man, who indicated he and the first man were friends.

"They ended up letting us go," added the victim, "but not without starting to walk toward us again. Luckily, they did not run to follow us as they didn't ever catch back up to us."

Norman also complained that after calling the Clay sheriff's office non-emergency number, she was bounced back and forth between dispatchers in Bradford and Clay Counties.

"They were NO HELP!" she wrote.

David Barnes, the sheriff's director of patrol and community affairs, confirmed that the caller was transferred between agencies because the incident occurred in Clay County, and the victims walked back to their car, which was parked in Bradford County, before calling the sheriff's office.

"We had a newer dispatcher that was going through training," Barnes said. "When the lady told her she was calling from Bradford County, she got confused and dispatched it."

Barnes told the audience that Immokalee Road and the surrounding streets straddle the county line, and the fact that the incident occurred in one county and was reported from another caused confusion.

"That did cause a little bit of a hiccup, and we own it," said Barnes. "We messed up on it, but we made it right."

Barnes also said investigators had identified one of the two men who approached the women and indicated that the criminal intent of the man holding the knife might not be clear-cut.



Some sections of the Palatka-to-Lake Butler State Trail near Keystone Heights are surrounded by trees and shrubs. Photo: City of Keystone Heights.

"Although technically the elements of an offense were made, there's some speculation," he said. "There may be some confusion about actual intent and things of that nature, so we're digging into it. We've put a lot of man hours in it."

Barnes added that his agency has already increased patrols on the trail, both by officers in uniform and in plain clothes. "You'll see some deputies on bikes down there," he said. "You may have seen them already. Some of it'll be covert; you won't see it; some of it'll be overt. But we are taking that very seriously, and we intend to make that trail safe for you to walk on."



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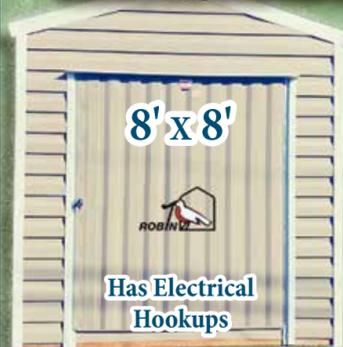


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## Art and adventure await

Go on an inspiring journey with Kathy into the colorful world of art and enjoy activities designed for all ages and all skill levels. You don't need to know how to paint to create and have fun. There are eight Art Activities with Kathy scheduled, seven of which are free to attend.

Attendees may bring snacks and beverages in lidded containers. Remember to wear appropriate "play" clothing.

Bradford County Public Library is located at 456 W. Pratt St. in Starke. When you call to sign up for a program, please specify that you are calling to sign up for an Activity with Kathy. The library's phone number is 904-368-3911. To leave a message on Kathy's voicemail, call 904-368-3921.

Art Activities with Kathy are scheduled for June 5, June 6, June 12, June 13, July 17, July 18, and July 31.

**BCPL Black Light Painting:** On Monday, June 5, hear the excitement as we turn on the black lights and enter the land of glowing neon colors. In the morning, you can enjoy painting from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. That evening, we'll be painting from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. A variety of stencils will be available to

help you create cool designs. Attendance is free. Contact Kathy at Bradford County Public Library for more information.

**BCPL Rock Painting:** On Tuesday, June 6, pave the way to a better world by decorating Kindness Rocks and sharing them with others. Arrive anytime between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. You may choose to give it to a friend or place them in your community for others to find. Tools will be available for anyone who would like to learn mandala painting. Attendance is free. Call Kathy at 904-368-3921 for more information.

**BCPL Crazy 4 Art:** There are so many ways to create with paint and Kathy is going to help you explore some of them on Monday, June 12, and Monday, July 31. Both programs begin at 11 a.m. Painting experience is not necessary. Anyone can do this. Come have fun with us for free!

**BCPL Adult & Child Collaborative Painting:** These pre-drawn canvases are designed to be displayed side by side or by themselves. Paint them with a family member or come and paint by yourself. All are welcome to paint! The adventure into painting begins at 4 p.m. on Monday, June 12. To make sure there are enough supplies, please contact Kathy or the BCPL Circulation Desk to reserve your seat(s). All supplies are provided, and participation is free.

Registration is required, so please call 904-363-3911 to sign up with this activity with Kathy.

**BCPL Paint Your Pet:** We're going to make cute and colorful portraits of our pet on Tuesday, June 13, at 11 a.m. This project is a lot of fun to do and drawing skills will not be required if you email a photo of your pet to [Programs.BCPL@gmail.com](mailto:Programs.BCPL@gmail.com). If you would like another method, contact Kathy for assistance. Headshots of your pet will look best. Please send photos prior to Tuesday, June 13. Supplies cost \$3 and prepayment is

appreciated.

**BCPL Mural Project for All Ages:** Be a part of something special on Monday, July 17. Come anytime between 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. to paint an emoji filled mural. This colorful mural is going to be an amazing project, but it will need your participation in order to be complete. You don't have to have artistic ability; Kathy will be available to guide you. This is great for children as well as adults and teens.

**BCPL Introduction to Watercolor:** Tuesday, July 18, is the perfect time to learn how to create with watercolor paint. Instruction begins at 11 a.m. After some practice, we're going to make some cute cards that you can give a friend, send to a family member, or frame for yourself. It's a relaxing activity that is entertaining to watch as water and paint works together to form works of art. All materials are provided. Participation is free. Contact Kathy or the circulation desk to sign up for this adventurous activity at 904-368-3911.

**Intro to Crochet with Victoria:** Want to learn how to crochet? We're here to help you take the steps to begin your journey. At 4 p.m. on Monday, Aug. 7, Victoria and Kathy are teaming up to bring this learning activity to teens and adults. To sign up, stop by the circulation desk. For answers to questions, please contact Victoria or Kathy at 904-368-3911.

## BCPL teen programs

Teens between the ages of 13 to 18 are invited to get together for out of this world experiences at Bradford County Public Library. Activities include a magical performance by Mike the Magician on June 8, a musical education by Didgeridoo Down Under on June 15, animated fun with the Anime Club on June

19, a Dragon Egg Craft on June 27 and 28, making sugar scrubs on June 22, and a visit from Caricature Artist Ty the Art Guy on June 26.

The fun continues in July with creating craft boxes on July 10 and July 11, followed by a Steam Punk Craft on July 19 and a resin craft making lightbulbs that can be used as a terrarium on July 25. Teens can play a variety of board games on July 21 from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Attending teen programs at Bradford County Public Library is a great way to spend the day with friends. For details regarding these programs and the reading program, for teens, please stop by the BCPL Teen Department to talk to Amy or Victoria.

## Church dedication

The Body of Christ Assembly Church of God in Christ will be hosting a church dedication on Sunday, May 21, at 4 p.m. Everyone is invited to this joyous occasion. The location is 615 SW Third St. in Lake Butler.

## 2023 Kingsley Lake Kids Reunion

Everyone who grew up in the Kingsley Lake community is invited the annual Kingsley Kids Reunion and feel free to bring a companion. Get together with friends you haven't seen since your school days and join the group photo. There is no charge and refreshments and appetizers

are provided. If you want to bring something, contact Doug Combs at 904-533-2921 or Joe Callan Sr. 912-506-3525 to coordinate. Hope to see you Saturday June 17 from noon until 4 p.m. The reunion will be at the Kingsley Lake Civic Center.

## Family and Friends Day

The Rev. Nicole Pledger and the Mt. Zion African Methodist Episcopal Church family of Lawley will host their Family and Friends Day on Sunday, May 21, at 4 p.m. The Rev. Ron Rawls, pastor of Greater Bethel AME Church of Gainesville, is the guest preacher. The public is invited to join this joyous occasion.

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