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The Clay County Sheriff's Office Honor Guard prepares for its 21-gun salute.

Law enforcement honors the memory of 12 fallen Clay officers

Sheriff Josephus Peeler
Sheriff Charles Wilson
Sheriff Theodore Cherry
Sgt. Richard Watkins
Auxiliary Deputy Arthur Caton
Deputy Wilson Walker
Sgt. Kenneth "Eddie" Hayes
Det. David White
Deputy Benjamin "Ben" Zirbel
Sgt. Eric Twisdale
Deputy Clint Seagle
Chief Derek Asdot

sheriffs who died in the line of duty, as well as Green Cove Springs Police Chief Asdot during the annual ceremony.

National Police Week was created in 1962. There are more than 23,000 names engraved on the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Wall. The first recorded death of a deputy who died in the line of duty was in 1786.

The first death in Clay County was on May 10, 1894, when Sheriff Peeler was shot while trying to break up an argument between two men at a train station.

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The Clay County Sheriff's Office honored the memories of 11 of its deputies and

Mt. Zion AME Church studies its past to prepare for its future

By Don Coble
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GREEN COVE SPRINGS – Having just concluded its 150th anniversary, Mt. Zion African Methodist Episcopal Church felt the best way to look ahead is to delve into its past.

What started as a way to satisfy grant guidelines became a passionate exploration of old documents, newspapers, artifacts and memories. What the church has uncovered will help it better understand

SEE ZION, 7



STAFF PHOTO BY DON COBLE

Dr. Cheryl Gonzalez shows some of Mt. Zion's history found in books and periodicals.



By Don Coble
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ORANGE PARK – Law enforcement agencies from Northeast Florida congregated at Moosehaven Tuesday morning for the Clay County Police Memorial Ceremony, and they all had a single purpose – to never forget:

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Sheriff Michelle Cook, Commissioner Kristen Burke file for re-election

By Don Coble
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GREEN COVE SPRINGS – With the stroke of a pen, Sheriff Michelle Cook added the role of a candidate to her duties Monday at the Supervisor of Elections Office.

She became the seventh candidate to file ahead of the Aug. 20, 2024, primary. The others, including Dr. Kristen Burke, who also filed Monday to retain her District 5 seat on the Board of County Commission, also are incumbents.

Cook won the post in 2020 against five other candidates. Gov. Ron DeSantis appointed her to replace Sheriff Darryl Daniels four months early after Daniels was accused of lying to investigators about an affair with a former employee when he worked at the Jacksonville Sheriff’s Office. Daniels was acquitted by a jury of all charges by a Clay County jury last September.

“You know, things are going well, and it felt right,” Cook said. “There’s been lots of interest from the business community and the citizens. I was getting phone calls about when I was going to file. You know what, why not? I am committed to continuing to serve, so we’ll go ahead and get this ball rolling and look forward to four more



Michelle Cook



Kristen Burke

years.”

Burke said she wants to continue her work on protecting the residents in the Lake Asbury and Green Cove Springs area from overdevelopment and environmental risks.

“I have thoroughly enjoyed being a Clay County commissioner,” she said. “I feel like I’ve been able to accomplish a lot fighting for the people, fighting against the development of Solite until we find out what kind of contamination is actually there before and more people get sick. I will definitely will continue to fight for the environment.”

She proposed a moratorium in 2021 to block any developer from increasing residential densities. The BCC voted last February to extend the moratorium for an-

other year.

“We need infrastructure to catch up because we’re having such tremendous growth,” Burke said. “Public safety is a really big deal with me, trying to get a fire station out there in our district.”

Cook has been in law enforcement for 31 years, starting as a patrol officer and working to become third in line at JSO. She was the Atlantic Beach Police Department Chief before returning to Clay County.

According to her campaign, “Serving as Sheriff of our great community is the honor of my life. By working together, we’ve kept our neighborhoods safe by adding uniformed deputies to the streets, given our officers and staff a well-deserved pay increase, and rebuilt our community’s trust

and faith in the Sheriff’s Office,” she said. “As Sheriff, I have fought every day to build an agency that our county can be proud of – but the work isn’t done yet.”

Cook moved to Clay County in the early 1980s after her father was stationed at NAS Cecil Field. She attended Orange Park Middle School and graduated from Clay High. Cook got a budget increase from the BCC, and she’s been able to add more deputies. She also helped create a comprehensive active shooter response plan for area schools and churches and created several community programs to help root out the fundamental causes of violent crime, including the Hammer and Hope Initiative and the Faith Leaders Partnership.

During her watch, CCSO She and her team also led the largest drug bust in the county’s history in 2022, stopping a massive fentanyl trafficking ring with connections to a Mexican cartel and a defendant arrested in California.

Other candidates who’ve filed for re-election include Tara Green (Clerk of County Court and Comptroller), Tracy Scott Drake (Property Appraiser), David Broskie (Superintendent of Schools), Chris Chambless (Supervisor of Elections) and Beth Clark (School Board, District 3).

GCS starts discussion on adding EV charging stations to infrastructure plans

By Don Coble
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GREEN COVE SPRINGS – The monthly update on the city’s electrical needs and costs morphed into a half-hour discussion about charging stations for electric vehicles.

The city council already has plans to upgrade its infrastructure, particularly in the downtown area, and councilman Ed Gaw asked Florida Municipal Power Agency’s Bob Page if it was feasible to build charging stations at key locations.

Gaw suggested charging stations near Spring Park and the downtown area would attract out-of-town visitors who have to plan trips around their ability to charge their vehicles. If visitors need to get a one-hour charge, they could spend the time shopping, he said. And since the city is embarking on a project to upgrade its electrical infrastructure, including burying overhead lines at Governors Creek, it could add the installation of charging stations into the plans.

“There’s no better time (to add the stations) than when you’re doing construc-



tion,” said Councilman Steven Kelley.

Although Page said there are more questions than answers about the future of electric vehicles, he told the council thinking ahead was a good idea. He said EVs take four times the amount of copper than a gas-powered car. He said while computers and cellphones have gotten smaller and faster, batteries for an electric vehicle



STAFF PHOTOS BY DON COBLE

At left, FMPA’s Bob Page updates the City Council on plans to maintain and improve the electric grid, while (above) Green Cove Springs Police Chief E.J. Guzman and Clay County Sheriff’s Office deputy/chaplain Joseph Williams accept a proclamation honoring National Police Week.

can’t be condensed.

“If you want twice the power, you have to build a battery twice as big,” he said.

He also said convenience stores that offer charging stations use as much power for electric vehicles as the rest of the store.

Since Page’s update was part of the presentation portion of Tuesday’s meeting, the council didn’t take any action.

In other business, the council approved the retirement and surplus of its 28-year-old police boat and agreed to buy a new grapple truck for \$203,439.

The council meets at City Hall at 7 p.m. on the first and third Tuesday of each month.

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Four misconceptions homeowners have about floods

By StatePoint Media
For Clay Today

Many people look forward to spring when the weather warms up, and flowers start to bloom, but it also marks the start of the peak time of year for flash flooding in the United States.

According to NOAA, 75% of flash floods happen between late April and mid-September, particularly during hurricane season. And while you may not want to think about it when water backs up and overflows, it generally goes where it doesn't belong and can cause severe damage to your home. Those who lived here in 2017 have vivid memories of the damage caused by Hurricane Irma.

Unfortunately, many homeowners have misconceptions about floods, leaving them unprepared. Here are four of the biggest myths:

1. Homeowners' insurance policies cover flood damage. A typical homeowners policy covers water damage from a sink or bathtub overflowing but won't help with flood damage caused by storms – something many homeowners only discover after it's too late. However, some insurance companies offer coverage to help fill the gaps so you don't have to pay out of pocket for repairs and replacements. For example, Erie Insurance now offers Extended Water coverage, which covers damage caused by natural disasters and sewer and drain backups.

2. Only people who live in flood plains need flood insurance. A national survey commissioned by Erie Insurance found that 53% of homeowners think only people who live in high-risk flood zones should buy flood insurance. However, 25% of flood claims are filed by people who live outside those areas. Additionally, FEMA says floodwater only needs to get a mere three inches high to make it likely that you'd need to replace drywall and baseboards.

3. There's nothing you can do to prevent flood damage. Nothing is foolproof, but there are ways to protect your home from water damage. Install a sump pump along with a battery backup and regularly test it. Improve drainage around your home by clearing leaves and debris from gutters, storm drains and downspouts. You can also install water sensors to alert you of water or leaks within your home. If a storm is on the way, plan by placing valuables and sentimental items into plastic storage bins, moving things off the floor – especially if they are stored in basements and lower levels of a home – and making a home inventory. A list of all your possessions,

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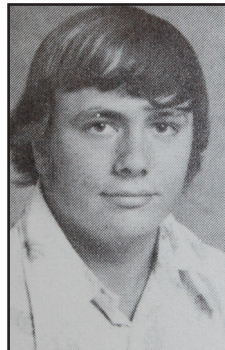
OPINION



Even an old guy like me believes this year's graduating seniors are impressive

By Don Coble
Managing Editor

When I graduated from high school, nobody had tattoos or earrings on their noses. Boys had to wear their pants above their hips – with a belt – and girls couldn't wear blue jeans with so many holes they looked like they were on fire and put out by a machete.



Don Coble Class of 1975

Unless you count "In-A-Gad-da-Da-Vida" by Iron Butterfly, we didn't listen to music with suggestive lyrics. (Actually, the song was supposed to be called "In the Garden of Eden," but the band members were so intoxicated when they recorded it, it came out garbled.)

We all had weekend and summer jobs. Mine was emptying garbage cans at Walt Disney World. It was the best \$68-a-week job I ever had.

Now that I'm two years away from my 50th class reunion, it's easy to be pessimistic about the current graduating classes. With age comes aches and pains. In high school, I never used the word "ointment" – much less used it.

I get two discounts – one for being a senior citizen and a second for not having a lot of hair – at the barber shop. Students nowadays go to a stylist. They leave with colorful stripes and glitter weaves.

Today's youth are eager to show off

their Chuck Taylor All-Stars as if they discovered them. I wore them 50 years ago, but we called them Converse All-Stars. You could tell they were made from cloth because every three months, the fabric would tear from the sole. We wore them to play, not for fashion. And that was cool.

This generation has Xbox. We had clackers. This generation has man buns. We had sideburns.

I guess with time, older people lose faith in our future. Being grumpy and pessimistic goes with turning gray and losing your hearing. That's what older people often do. We complain.

I spent the last three weeks interviewing seniors from our county's high schools who fought a difficult challenge and succeeded. What I found was our future is in good hands. Today's young people have a different way of getting things done, but we have to have faith they will make a difference.

After all, my parents said my generation was udderless, too. The only thing my parents and I had in common was they wore Converse All-Stars, too.

The students' stories were compelling and enlightening. They face different – and indeed more societal-sensitive topics – than my generation. The students I met have learned to deal – and flourish – despite 24-hour news cycles, outside noise and challenges.

Middleburg senior Asypn Martin made a lasting impression. She has been through unspeakable struggles, only to come through them with boundless energy and optimism. Her classmates,

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Word OF THE WEEK

Word of the Week is a feature that aims to help readers boost their vocabulary in a meaningful way that has practical application. Each week, our editorial staff presents a word, its definition and its use in a sentence.

Vexillology: (vek-sa-LAH-la-jee) a noun that means the study of flags.

"Sheldon Cooper had a strong interest in vexillology on 'Big Bang Theory.'"

This Week in History

Five years ago, 2018

- The Green Cove Springs City Council and Orange Park Town Council discuss using their police department to serve as school resource officers.
- Blue By U blueberry farm opens in Maxville.
- The Fourth Annual Leaders Build leads to a home for Habitat for Humanity being completed in Middleburg.

10 years ago, 2013

- Cornelius Walston, of Jacksonville, is convicted of murdering an Orange Park man and a Middleburg man during a fight in the parking lot at Club Myth on Fleming Island.
- The 39-ton external fuel tank from the Space Shuttle fleet is offloaded to the shore in Reynolds Industrial Park in Green Cove Springs.
- The Clay County Chamber of Commerce tells both Superintendent Charlie Van Zant and the school board to stop their bickering after a survey revealed 76.6% of residents said the feuding was harmful to county business.

20 years ago, 2003

- Clay County Sheriff's Office Sgt. Kenneth E. Hayes, who died of a heart attack while on duty, was honored at the annual Police Memorial Ceremony.
- To help promote a drug-free life, Kirk Bailey and Matt Bennett perform their "Perfection on Wheels" bicycle show to Wilkinson Elementary.
- S.B. Jennings sixth-grade teacher Dawn Olivia keeps her promise to shave her head if the school's girl's club, Metamorphosis, raises \$3,500 in pledges and 200 inches of hair to support the "Locks of

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Opinions ...

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teachers, school officials and foster parents loved her without asking any questions. I consider myself lucky to meet her. Her incredibly encouraging words also impressed me: “There’s a ton of good people out there if you search for them. Being happy is a decision, and I’ve decided to be happy.”

You also learn our children and grandchildren are in good hands. I saw princi-

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Love” program.

30 years ago, 1993

- A police chase that started when a man tried to run over a sailor ended when Clay County Sheriff’s Office caught him in the parking lot of the county jail.
- The Orange Park High baseball team advances to the Sectionals to face Ed

pals, coaches, staff and teachers who take a personal interest in every student’s future. When they talk about their students, you can hear the confidence in their voices and pride in their smiles.

Let’s hope this generation takes the rancor out of our political process. Let’s believe they will help us find a way to discuss our differences, not argue about them. Maybe this generation can cure diseases, solve hunger and homelessness, end crime and curb drug abuse.

I like their chances.

White after beating Middleburg, 6-1.

- County commissioners decide to tie two measures into one by demanding any new business to obtain an occupational license and demand each licensee submit the amount of toxic waste their company will produce.

40 years ago, 1983

- The U.S. Navy reports 14 were killed when a portion of the left wing fell off transport plane before it crashed into the St. Johns River.

Clay Hill residents encouraged to sign up for internet on May 6

For Clay Today

CLAY HILL – Clay County is partnering with Comcast to host an Xfinity Internet Community Sign-Up Event on Saturday, May 6, inside the cafeteria at Clay Hill Elementary at 6345 County Road 218 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

The broadband internet is a vital daily resource that, unfortunately, hasn’t been available for our residents in Clay Hill and Keystone Heights. But now, as a part of the Clay County Broadband Project, many neighbors in those communities will have access to Comcast’s Xfinity broadband internet service, and more county areas are expected to follow.

In 2022 Clay County Commissioners voted to approve an agreement with Comcast to extend broadband service into areas of Clay County that lack internet service. The system will be owned, operated and maintained by Comcast.

The BCC worked with Comcast to determine existing systems in the lacking areas of our county. From there, it decided how to obtain the most significant residential impact within the constraints of the project. As the network expands, so will connectivity. Comcast’s cable system was extended as part of Phase 1 to provide internet service to the northwest portion of Clay Hill and Keystone Heights north of County Road 214 and east of State Road 21, moving out toward McRae.

Phase 2 will encompass more of the Keystone Heights area, and the county will update residents on which areas will be served.

At this upcoming sign-up event, resi-



dents will be able to find out if the internet is available in their homes. If not, when it will be available. If their home is ready to connect, neighbors can sign up on-site as volunteers guide them through the process.

“This project is more than just the internet – it touches education, careers, entertainment, and resources,” BCC Chair Betsy Condon said. “Our goal is to eliminate the digital divide across Clay County, so our residents won’t have to be burdened with the worry of not being able to connect for online education, work, or family entertainment.”

Residents will learn what Xfinity internet services are available and if they qualify for the Affordable Connectivity Program, which provides low-income households a credit of up to \$30 a month toward their internet and/or mobile services.

Volunteers will also be available on-site to help neighbors sign-up for the ACP. Neighbors interested in this option must bring identification and benefit documentation. Visit acpbenefit.org to learn more.

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along with their estimated values, will help if you need to file an insurance claim.

4. Insurance can only help you after an incident. Many homeowners don’t realize they may be able to get reimbursed for taking steps to protect their homes when flooding is imminent. As one example, under certain circumstances, Erie Insurance will reimburse homeowners up to \$10,000 for materials such as sandbags and the sand to fill them, fill for temporary levees, pumps or plastic sheeting and lumber used with these items, as well as labor.

“We encourage homeowners to not underestimate the risk of flooding and to be aware of the significant amount of damage that even a small amount of water can cause,” said Michelle Tennant, vice presi-



dent of product management at Erie. “Talk to your independent insurance agent about your home and your neighborhood to make sure you have the coverage that’s right for you.”

To learn more about protecting your home from floods, visit erieinsurance.com/extended-water.

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- CLUES ACROSS**
- 1. Dull and flat
 - 6. Baking measurement (abbr.)
 - 9. Education-based groups
 - 13. Not behind
 - 14. Runners run them
 - 15. Japanese ankle sock
 - 16. Grave
 - 17. Japanese industrial city
 - 18. People of southern Ghana
 - 19. Particular designs
 - 21. Device fitted to something
 - 22. Infections
 - 23. Pirates’ preferred alcohol
 - 24. Expression of sympathy
 - 25. Rock guitarist’s tool
 - 28. Neither
 - 29. Ancient city of Egypt
 - 31. You ___ what you sow
 - 33. Ruined
 - 36. Narrations
 - 38. Body art (slang)
 - 39. Fencing sword
 - 41. Apartment buildings
 - 44. Type of missile
 - 45. Fathers
 - 46. Extremely high frequency
 - 48. Type of school
 - 49. Incorrect letters
 - 51. Two-year-old sheep
 - 52. Nasty manner
 - 54. One who accepts a bet
 - 56. Indian prince
 - 60. Asian country
 - 61. Rhythmic patterns in Indian music
 - 62. ‘Uncle Buck’ actress Hoffmann
 - 63. Detailed criteria
 - 64. Son of Shem
 - 65. Talked wildly
 - 66. Discount
 - 67. Not good
 - 68. Growing out
- CLUES DOWN**
- 1. Actor Damon
 - 2. A call used to greet someone
 - 3. Part-time employee
 - 4. Emaciation
 - 5. ‘Westworld’ actor Harris
 - 6. Gains possession of
 - 7. Relaxing spaces
 - 8. 23rd star in a constellation
 - 9. Northern grouse
 - 10. Monetary unit of Bangladesh
 - 11. Manila hemp
 - 12. Unites muscle to bone
 - 14. Makes deep cuts in
 - 17. 18-year period between eclipses
 - 20. Member of a people inhabiting southern Benin
 - 21. Synthetic rubbers
 - 23. Unwelcome rodent
 - 25. Expression of creative skill
 - 26. Some is red
 - 27. Seems less in impressive
 - 29. Harry Kane’s team
 - 30. Gland secretion
 - 32. Action of feeling sorrow
 - 34. Disallow
 - 35. Deceptive movement
 - 37. More dried-up
 - 40. Crimson
 - 42. Actress Ryan
 - 43. Adherents of a main branch of Islam
 - 47. Accomplished American president
 - 49. Side of a landform facing an advancing glacier
 - 50. Sheep breed
 - 52. Appetizer
 - 53. Broadway actress Daisy
 - 55. Influential film critic
 - 56. NY Giants ownership family
 - 57. Type of script
 - 58. Assist
 - 59. London park
 - 61. Bar bill
 - 65. In reply indicator



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Zion

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its path for the next 150 years.

“What we were finding is that all of the grants, they wanted to know the history of the church,” said Rev. James Pernell. “The church was good at keeping a history of pastors who had the appointment in charge, but they were not good at keeping the history of the church in terms of growth and development and how it impacted the community.”

So Dr. Cheryl Gonzalez started digging.

She’s spent days pouring through records at the Clay County Archives. She’s scoured books to find leads that will help fill the gaps in the history of the first Black church in the county.

“Every answer leads to new questions,” Gonzalez said. “We keep finding new things, and our history becomes even more fascinating when we do.”

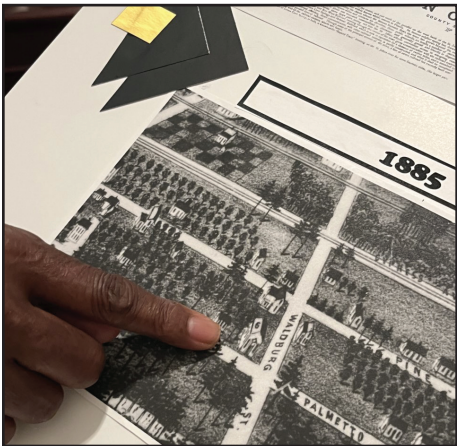
The assignment has been both daunting and exhilarating. Records from the Black community, especially after the Civil War, are sketchy and incomplete. A lot of records were lost when a fire destroyed the original church.

“Back then, they didn’t have a fire department,” Gonzalez said. “If something caught fire, it usually burned down.”

One of her most exciting finds was learning that Edward Fells, a former city councilman and constable in Green Cove Springs, was a member of Mt. Zion around the time



Gonzalez uncovered a photo from 1883 of Mt. Zion’s Sunday school class. She also located the church on a map created in 1885, while the church was pleased to find artifacts from the initial service for the first All-Black church in Clay County.



the church opened in 1883. Fells and his wife, Cornelia, had 14 children – the seventh who was Augusta Savage, one of the most influential artists in the world.

The church also uncovered artifacts from the church’s first service, including silver teacups, an engraved platter and a pitcher. Another amazing fact is that three Blacks and six whites founded the church in 1883, and one of the white founders once served with the Confederacy.

Much of Gonzalez’s research also involves the history of the Dunbar School and Dunbar High School, the only all-Black school in the county that eventually closed in 1967. Portions of the old school are now the Augusta Savage Arts and Community Center. “I look at my background in diversity, equity and inclusion, involving compli-

ance investigation,” Gonzalez said. “I look at the mediation side with different people with different opinions. The bottom line is there are gaps in the information available. So one of the first things you want to do is fill the gaps in the data and information you find; what are people saying; and what can you do to match what they’re saying to the closest extent possible.”

The church raised \$18,000 during its sesquicentennial celebration. Most of it will be used to rebuild the parsonage. Rev. Pernell said the parsonage would be home to meetings, gatherings and a community center.

Some of the money came from producing 1,000 guides that spell out the Black history of Green Cove Springs and Clay County.

He also envisions the church will again

be the spiritual focal point for the city.

“Not only the fact that both whites and blacks founded the church, but this has been a central factor of spirituality throughout Green Cove Springs.”

Gonzalez has collected the names of all 48 pastors in the church’s history. The church also recognized nine members who were 78 or older during its 150th anniversary, including 99-year-old Alice Williams and 87-year-old Rev. Elaine McBride.

“So we honored those living members who have been connected to Mount Zion for a long time and still living and play some sort and roles today, so we wanted to show them love and appreciation for their sacrifice.” And in the process, maybe they can help fill some of the gaps in the church’s 150-year past.



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Community Briefs

Donut Get Caught 5K at mall to benefit Police Athletic League

ORANGE PARK – There's always been a link between law enforcement and doughnuts, so the Police Athletic League of Clay County decided to match the two during its Donut Get Caught 5K Saturday, May 13, at the Orange Park Mall.

The 5K run will start at 8 a.m. near Dick's Sporting Good, followed by a one-mile children's Run for Fun at 9 a.m.

Runners will get awards in 14 different age categories. Doughnuts also will be served.

Registration is \$35 ahead of the race and \$40 at the event.

For more information, visit donutgetcaught5k.itsyourrace.com.



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The offer is available through June 30.

For more information on available vaccinations, visit winndixie.com/pharmacy/vaccines.

Lake Region Kiwanis hosting first Family Mini Golf tourney

KEYSTONE HEIGHTS – Families are encouraged to bring their best putting strokes to the first Kiwanis Lake Region Family Mini Golf tournament on May 6.

Registration for the event starts at 10:30 a.m. and players will hit the artificial turn from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. Keystone Heights Mini-Golf at 7154 SE County Road 21B in front of Orange Blossom Restaurant.

Cost is \$10 for a single; \$25 for a family. Low scores will win prizes. Hot dogs, chips and drinks will be available, and the fundraiser also includes a 50/50 raffle.

Charity proceeds will remain in the community.

Golfers, sponsors needed for Chief Derek Asdot Memorial tournament

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – Time is running out to support the second annual Chief Derek Asdot Memorial Golf Tournament on May 20.

The four-man scramble will be at Magnolia Point Golf and Country Club at 9 a.m.

Sponsorships are available. For \$750, companies will receive a team spot in the tournament, company banner and signage on a hole, while companies can set up a booth at a hole, company banner and signage for \$500. For \$250, companies can get signage at a hole.

For more information or to register as a player or a sponsor, call (904) 297-7322 or email Normanv@gcspd.com.

Paranormal Cirque III to set up tent at Orange Park Mall

ORANGE PARK – Slow down so you can take it all in, but if you scare easily, you might want to run when the Paranormal Cirque comes to the Orange Park Mall from May 25-28.

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A parent must accompany children between 13 and 17 years old. Nobody younger than 13 will be allowed to the show.

Showtimes are 7:30 p.m. on May 25 and 26; 6:30 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. on May 27; and 5:30 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. on May 28.

For tickets, visit paranormalcirque.com or by calling (941) 704-8572.

Active, retired federal employees to meet monthly

ORANGE PARK – As the only organization dedicated to the general welfare of all federal workers and retirees, the National Association of Active and Retired Federal Employees delivers valuable guidance, timely resources and powerful advocacy.

Clay County Chapter 141 meets on the third Tuesday of each month at the Orange Park Library at 2054 Plainfield Ave. at 12:30 p.m. Each gathering consists of a short business meeting and a presentation.

Since NARFE's founding in 1921, the association's mission has been to defend and advance America's civil servants earned pay and benefits. Today, NARFE'S team of professional lobbyists continues to work tirelessly on behalf of the federal community. Supported by grassroots advocates, NARFE is a leading voice in Washington and across the country, although often unknown to our active and retired local civil servants and postal personnel.

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Obituaries

Opal M. LeFever

Opal M. LeFever, 88, of Green Cove Springs, FL, passed away April 25, 2023

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First Golden Rule Social coming to Penney Farms

For Clay Today

PENNEY FARMS – The Golden Rule Picnic is held in Kemmerer, Wyoming, home of the Golden Rule Store, the first J.C. Penney Department Store. The Golden Rule based on Matthew 7:12 in the Bible was a guiding principle in the life of J.C. Penney throughout his life.

At Penney Farms, residents want to commemorate the same values with its Golden Rule Social: “Do Unto Others as You Would Have Them Do Undo You.”

On Thursday, May 11, residents will meet at Kohler Park next to Penney Farms Town Hall, 4100 Clark Ave., at 7 p.m.

The event will feature a presentation from John Bowles, who will play Penney with Steve Griffith on guitar.

After dinner, everyone is encouraged to bring a dessert and one to share. In addition, ice cream will be available in compliments of the Historical Society of Penney Farms as well as period costumes and a balloon arch for photo ops with Penney.

The Penney Farms Historical Museum will be open for tours and in the event of rain, the event will be held in the museum.

All are welcome to this free event. Donations are welcome to support the Historical Society, a volunteer organization of friendly folks who love local history.

For more information, call the museum at (904) 742-1344, email info@historical-societyofpenneyfarms.org or visit www.historical-societyofpenneyfarms.org.

Sgts. Cox, Graham graduate from FDLE Leadership Academy

For Clay Today

CLAY COUNTY – A pair of Clay County law enforcement sergeants completed the Florida Department of Law Enforcement's Leadership Academy.

Clay County Sheriff's Office's Zach Cox and Green Cove Springs Police Department's Austin Graham finished the five-day course on Friday, April 28.

According to the FDLE, the academy consists of four week-long sessions where participants learn skills necessary to support the needs of their agencies and communities in preparation for future challenges. The goal of the academy is to prepare first-line supervisors in criminal justice organizations to exemplify the character and integrity expected of criminal justice professionals while examining the various components necessary to become efficient leaders.

The Bay County Sheriff's Office taught



Sgt. Zach Cox



Sgt. Austin Graham

Class 53. Cox and Graham were two of more than 40 officers who completed the training.

The Florida Criminal Justice Executive Institute, established within the Florida Department of Law Enforcement and affiliated with the State University System, was established in 1990 by the Florida Legislature to address the need for an innovative and multi-faceted approach to the education and training of criminal justice professionals.

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GINGER LEE

is the recipient of the Julian V. Smith Community Service Award, an honor reserved for the Capital City Associate who embodies a spirit of volunteerism and selflessly gives of his or herself for the benefit of others.

Ginger has enriched countless lives with her kindness and generosity since discovering a desire to serve others while in high school. A devoted Rotarian who dedicates her time and talents with a wide range of causes and community projects, her heart's greatest passion is working with children and youth, particularly those in underserved populations. Through affiliations with Keystone Heights High School, Children's Home Society and Clay Education Foundation, she helps support school partnership programs providing student mentoring and financial education, as well as meals and special services for the homeless and underserved.

A \$1,000 grant will be awarded by the Capital City Bank Group Foundation on Ginger's behalf to the organization of her choice, Children's Home Society.

Congratulations, Ginger!



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Stormy weather
doesn't dampen
mood at CalaVida
Arts Festival

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – Although the threat of severe weather washed out most of the shows and exhibits during the final day of the CalaVida Arts Festival, thousands still enjoyed the week-long jubilee. Downtown stores and vendors were busy with pedestrian traffic, while Spring Park was abuzz with music and displays throughout the week. CalaVida was a fun, family-friendly arts festival with various entertainment, including the Navy Band Southeast, a wine and cheese event, art, blues, jazz and Latin pop.



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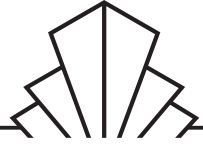
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Orange Park still talking trash about next garbage contract

By Lee Wardlaw
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ORANGE PARK – The trash talk continued on Tuesday among the town council, whose members are still seeking to draft a final garbage contract with Waste Management.

At their last meeting on April 20, the council agreed it would vote on the contract at its May 2 meeting.

But instead of voting, officials discussed a potential scope of services they would like to see what the likely provider, Waste Management, would provide.

“We looked at a proposal from our solid waste company, and we want to take another look at things,” said Mayor Randy Anderson.

When the council started to direct the town staff to look for pricing, they advised

them to look for the lowest pricing possible, Anderson said.

The staff shouldn’t be completely blamed, Anderson said.

“We didn’t give direction on what kind of service we wanted. I don’t think we gave the correct direction,” the mayor said.

Thus, the town council went back to square one to discuss what kind of services they want in their yet-to-be-finalized solid waste contract.

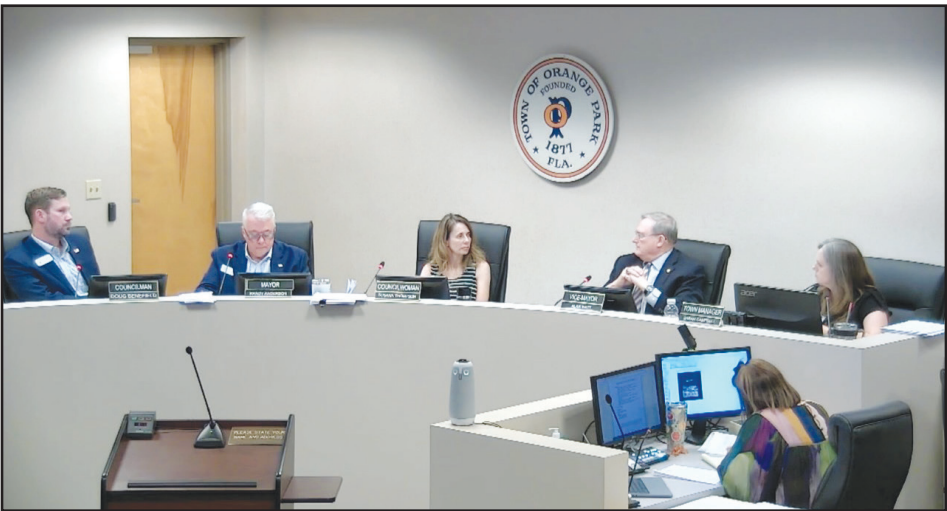
After a long and heated discussion and plenty of resident comments that ended up taking up a large portion of their meeting, the council decided to seek pricing for a once-a-week household garbage service for a 95-gallon container and a twice-a-week service for a 65-gallon container.

Another component was recycling, which would either be picked up bi-weekly in a 95-gallon container or weekly in a 65-gallon container. The council said it would prefer yard waste be collected once a week.

Bulky items such as couches and refrigerators would be picked up on an on-call basis.



Randy Anderson



Orange Park Town council held another heated and long-ranging discussion on solid waste services for Orange Park during their regular meeting on Tuesday.

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UF/IFAS Extension offers three agriculture entrepreneurship classes

For Clay Today

CLAY COUNTY – This summer and fall, UF/IFAS Extension will host the Ag Entrepreneurship Series, a program designed to help to aspire and beginning farmers sow the seeds of success.

“Extension offices across the state often hear from residents interested in starting a small farm or related business. However, many of these folks don’t have an agricultural background and need help getting their idea off the ground,” said Tatiana Sanchez-Jones, commercial horticulture agent with UF/IFAS Extension Alachua County. “In response, a few years ago, we created the Ag Entrepreneurship Series, and it’s still going strong.”

Sanchez co-leads the program with Kevin Athearn, a regional specialized agent for rural agribusiness development.

“Even those with business experience can benefit greatly from the program,” Athearn said. “That’s because agricultural enterprises are quite a bit different from other types of businesses. Our program helps people factor in those important differences and be better positioned to get financing for their farm and make the most of that investment.” The program is open to anyone in Florida. The 2023 Ag Entre-

preneurship Series registration is available through UF/IFAS Extension Online Learning.

The award-winning Ag Entrepreneurship series first launched in 2018 and has since expanded to include three workshops. Each workshop starts with a two-week online course that includes recorded presentations, case study videos, worksheets and a discussion forum where workshop members can ask questions of the workshop leaders and network with each other.

- **Starting a Farm, June 16-30:** Introduces learners to the basics of starting a farm business and includes setting a vision and goals, assessing financial readiness, evaluating suitability and feasibility of the enterprise, and the ins and outs of business structures, registration and regulations.

- **Farm Business Planning, Aug. 10-24:** Takes learners through the more technical aspects of developing a farm business and includes conducting market research and a SWOT analysis, developing a mission statement and plans for marketing, operations, human resources, finances and risk management.

- **Marketing for Your Small Farm, Oct. 13-27:** Walks learners through business



plan implementation and includes marketing and promotional strategies, avenues for selling to consumers, and technologies for taking orders and accepting payment online.

At the end of the two weeks, participants attend a two-hour presentation and question and answer session with industry experts, including representatives from program partners Farm Credit of Florida

and the Center for Rural Enterprise Engagement. Participants can attend these sessions in person or via Zoom. Anyone interested can sign up for one or more workshops in the series. Each workshop is \$45, and participants who register for all three get a discounted rate of \$100.

Workshops are limited to 35 people, so early registration is recommended.

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Celebrity comedian Danny Johnson, who's toured the United States with his firebrand of family-friendly stand-up comedy for nearly 20 years, highlighted the lineup at the Town Hall Center Stand Up Comedy Show.



Bobby Brown Jr., a comedian from Jacksonville, left the crowd wanting more with his series of act-closing jokes.



DJ Robert J, a disc jockey from Fleming Island, provided a wide array of music for patrons at the Town Hall Event Center between Brown's and Johnson's acts.

Comedians find the funny bone with stand-up performances on Fleming Island

By Lee Wardlaw
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FLEMING ISLAND – Celebrity comedian, actor and writer Danny Johnson has entertained thousands of guests at clubs, corporate events and churches for nearly 20 years.

His repertoire of hilarious jokes became the successful contribution to “Dry Bar Comedy Special,” a show featured on Apple TV, Comedy Central, NBC and Peacock networks.

But last Friday, he highlighted a two-man lineup during Fleming Island’s Town Hall Event Center’s Stand-Up Comedy Show last Friday, April 28.

Bobby Brown Jr., a comedian from Jacksonville, set the mood for a big night of rollicking laughter, delicious food, refreshing beverages and more. More than 100 residents were treated to some obscene, risqué and indecent jokes that stayed within the boundaries of clean, good-old-fashioned fun – a trademark for both comedians.

Brown, the rising local star, and Johnson, the nationally-acclaimed sensation comedian, writer, and podcaster that has starred in numerous television commercials, Comedy Central’s “Laugh Riots,” NBC’s “Trial By Laughter,” earned the dubious title of “Florida’s Funniest Comedian” and others.

The performances happened while pa-

trons enjoyed the first-class, country club-style treatment, enjoying setlists from both comedians, listening to music from DJ Robert. They also feasted on hot chicken wings, lamb gyros and appetizers like pita bread and fresh hummus from Yiannis Demopoulos’s Fresh from Yianni’s Kitchen.

Of course, it wasn’t easy to keep the food and drink down amid uncontrollable

Brown made the rounds by cracking jokes about the challenges of the dating world caused by the issues of his outdated, clunker automobile with a broken speaker and shoddy brakes, as well as the perils of working in the food service industry.

“I think the worst part of my car is that my brakes are terrible. Most people stop when they want to stop. I got to start my stop about two minutes early, you know. So we either stop or stop living on this one,” he said.

“I’m a server. I serve tables. That’s how I make ends meet. Comedy’s my dream, but I think serving’s my calling, just because my job is always calling me and asking if I can work tonight,” Brown said.

Just like his jokester and counterpart, Johnson was able to put the heat on himself, taking self-elicited shots about his former weight problems and his preference to avoid running. He drew from the themes from his widely-acclaimed special, “I Don’t Run.”

“I must have mentioned how much I weighed on stage. A guy came up to me af-

ter the show in Omaha, Nebraska and said, ‘You weighed 280 (pounds) on stage, but you don’t look it, you carry it well’. Fat well distributed amongst the body parts, is that a compliment?”

Among other jokes included calling out Bud Light and other “woke” corporations, Then Johnson picked on a fan to make his point.

“Sticking by the Bud Light, huh?” he said.

Johnson also joked about his inability to close a deal with Netflix for his “Dry Bar Comedy Special.”

“Pretty much anywhere but Netflix, the most important one. I wonder what success truly feels like,” Johnson said.

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Awards add up for R.M. Paterson during Elementary Math Field Day

By Lee Wardlaw
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OAKLEAF – Clay County District School's Elementary Math Field Day, a high-stakes academic series featuring four teams and one individual event, activates the minds and instills pride during the annual event.

That's because of the marathon-style, challenging-yet-fun series of team-style arithmetic competitions, including The Quiz, Word Problems, The Huddle, Relay and "Individual Assessment." A multiple-choice test taken by each school's competing student before the event has now become a county tradition that "learning is fun."

Fourth and fifth-grade teams from R.M. Paterson won first-place awards, while Orange Park finished first among sixth-grade teams.

The highly-acclaimed awards ceremony at Oakleaf High is a true spectacle within itself.

After 470 students and more than 100 teacher volunteers competed in four forms of mathematical warfare that challenged students' brains in fields like algebra and geometry. Afterward, more than 600 students and teachers moved to the school's gymnasium, where "mathletes" picked up their awards.

After hours of tests, educators and learners were joined by hundreds of parents, family members, friends and residents heading into the Knights' gym. The reception was so popular, many had to sit on the gym floor.

Broskie hosted the event alongside Chief of Elementary Education Heather Teto and School Board Members Mary Bolla, Beth Clark, Ashley Gilhousen, Michele Hanson and Erin Skipper.

Argyle, Charles E. Bennett, Clay Hill, Doctors Inlet, Discover Oaks, Fleming Island, Grove Park, Keystone Heights, Lake Asbury, Lakeside, McRae, Middleburg, Orange Park, Oakleaf Village, Orange Park,



STAFF PHOTOS BY LEE WARDLAW
Lake Asbury's Elementary Math Field Day team is crowded amongst other competitors from throughout the county as winners are announced at Oakleaf High School Saturday.

Plantation Oaks, R.M Patterson, Rideout, Ridgeview, S. Bryan Jennings, Shadowlawn, Swimming Pen, Tynes, W.E Cherry, Wilkinson and the Coppergate School of the Arts were among participating schools.

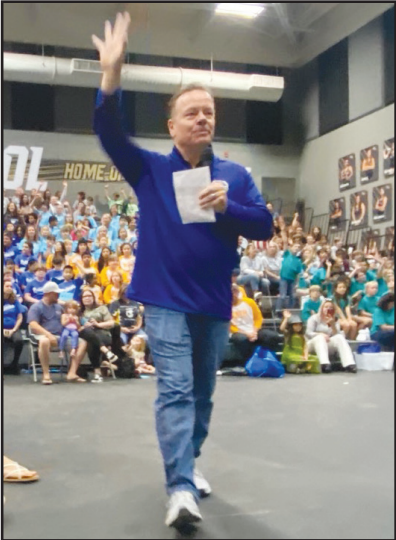
Fourth grade
First – R.M. Paterson
Second – Orange Park and Thunderbolt
Fourth – Swimming Pen Creek

Fifth grade
First – R.M. Paterson
Second – Lake Asbury
Third – Fleming Island

Sixth grade
First – Orange Park
Second – Thunderbolt
Third – Fleming Island



District 2 school board member Mary Bolla, a Clay County community servant and big believer in education, enlisted her help in passing out awards to students and teachers alongside Broskie and several other board members, including Erin Skipper and Beth Clark.



Superintendent David Broskie led the crowd through the wave and excited students with "drumroll" introductions of the top six teams.



Crowds gathering inside Oakleaf High School's gymnasium were well larger than many of the high school sporting events put on throughout the year in the county. Parents filled bleachers on one side with students on the other, and hundreds filled in the gaps on the floor in between.

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Field to the Hill

Farm Bureau goes to Washington to talk about farmers, ranchers

For Clay Today

MIDDLEBURG — Members of the Clay County Farm Bureau visited with Florida's Congressional delegation in Washington, D.C., recently to discuss various federal policies that affect farmers and ranchers. The visit included a series of conversations on the expansion of foreign trade opportunities, agricultural labor reform, and priorities for the 2023 Farm Bill.

Meetings at the Capitol, organized by Florida Farm Bureau as the Field to the

Hill Trip from April 18-20, created opportunities for farmers and ranchers to hold informal talks with their elected officials. The visitors also engaged in a series of discussions with executive agency officials.

As part of their itinerary, Clay County Farm Bureau members Michael Rathjen and his daughter, Makayla, met with U.S. Department of Agriculture and Con officials. Aaron Bean who serves in the 4th congressional district represents Clay, Duval and Nassau counties. Rathjen serves



Michael Rathjen and his daughter Makayla.

on the board of Clay County Farm Bureau and his daughter Makayla is a future Young Farmers and Ranchers member. This trip was an excellent way to show Makayla how the legislative process works.

This volunteer initiative exemplifies Florida Farm Bureau's national tradition of citizen participation in representative government.

“Our Farm Bureau members presented responsible policy suggestions on behalf of farm families in our state,” said Clay County Farm Bureau President Gayward Hendry. “I appreciate their willingness to make the effort to join us on this trip. “I also want to thank our Congressional delegation for the hospitable welcome we received while we were in Washington.

“Our members had positive sessions with our national policymakers. I know they will keep our perspectives in mind as they consider policies that have an impact upon farmers.”

Clay County Farm Bureau is headquartered in Middleburg and serves well more than 4,000 member families.

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



Vault Project moves from Clay County Fair to Clerk's Office

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – Those who enjoyed viewing the “vault project” at last month's Clay County Agriculture Fair will be pleased to know the exhibit that focused on the names of roads, bridges, waterways and more was moved to the Recording Department at the Clay County Clerk of Comptroller's Office at 477 Houston St. in Green Cove Springs. Residents can take a magnetic pin to locate their neighborhood or town on the map. The project launched Clay County History Month and can be seen on the courthouse's first floor.



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All 12 law enforcement members who died in the line of service were recognized during Roll Call. The first was Sheriff Josephus Peeler who was shot in 1894 while trying to break up an argument at a train stop.

Fallen
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“We will not allow the memories of your loved ones to fade,” Sheriff Michelle Cook said.

Charles Shinolser, who formed the Northeast Florida Concerns of Police Survivors after his son was killed in 1988 while riding his motorcycle to work for the Jacksonville Sheriff’s Office, was the keynote speaker.

Shinolser said when his son died was “the day that changed my life forever.”

There are 21 counties in Northeast Florida COPS, Shinolser said, and Clay County was the first to join.

In addition to CCSO, Green Cove Springs and Orange Park police departments and representatives from Nassau, Jacksonville and the St. Johns sheriff’s office attended.

The ceremony included the presentation of colors, lowering of the flag to half-staff, roll call of the fallen, a moment of silence announced by county dispatchers to all deputies and officers, a 21-gun salute and the playing of “Taps.”

Northeast Florida Concerns of Po-



Left, Charles Shinolser accepts an award from Sheriff Michelle Cook for his tireless work as the founder of Northeast Florida Concerns of Police Survivors, while family members are escorted to place a yellow rose by the photo of a fallen officer.



lice Survivors Charles Shinolser. Son, Charles Ray Shinolser died Dec. 14, 1988. Hit by a truck and killed while riding his motorcycle to work. He re-

corded a song to raise money for a national memorial for officers killed in the line of duty.



Tuesday’s Clay County Police Memorial Ceremony included formal presentations with full honors. More than 100 law enforcement deputies and officers paid their respects to those who paid the ultimate sacrifice while protecting the community. “We will not allow the memories of your loved ones to fade,” Sheriff Michelle Cook said.

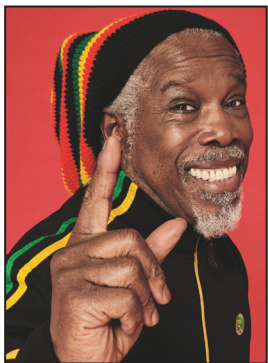
Coming To Thrasher Horne

Billy Ocean to make waves at Thrasher-Horne in October

ORANGE PARK – Billy Ocean, the award-winning recording artist best known for a string of pop and soul anthems in the 1970s and 1980s, including the Grammy Award-winning “Caribbean Queen (No More Love On The Run),” “When The Going Gets Tough, The Tough Get Going” will appear at the Thrasher-Horne Center on Oct. 25 at 7:30 p.m.

Ocean is Britain's most commercially successful Black artist, having sold more than 30 million records worldwide.

Ocean's first hit was the 1976 hit single "Love Really Hurts Without You." In the following year came another UK No. 2, "Red Light Spells Danger." And there were more hits in the 1980s, including three United States No. 1s: "Caribbean Queen (No More Love On The Run)," "There'll Be Sad Songs (To Make You Cry)" and "Get Outta My Dreams, Get Into My Car," but he is probably best known for "When The Going Gets Tough, The Tough Get Going," which was a hit for Ocean in 1986 and Boyzone 13 years later. Tickets start at \$39 and can be found at thcenter.org.



Billy Ocean

Rick Springfield to hit Thrasher-Horne stage on May 26

ORANGE PARK – During the past four decades, Rick Springfield has worn many hats as an entertainer and performer. The creator of some of the finest power-pop of the 1980s, a Grammy Award-winning singer, songwriter and musician who has sold 25 million albums and scored 17 U.S. Top 40 hits, including “Jessie’s Girl,” “Don’t Talk to Strangers,” “An Affair of the Heart,” “I’ve Done Everything for You,” “Love Somebody” and “Human Touch.”

He's an accomplished actor who starred opposite Meryl Streep in the feature film **"Ricki and the Flash"**; and gave a chameleonic performance as the creepy Dr. Irving Pitlor in HBO's prestige drama **"True Detective,"** earned great reviews for his portrayal of Lucifer on the CW hit **"Supernatural"** and most recently played the insane Pastor Charles on FX's worldwide hit series **"American Horror Story."**

It has been a long and fruitful affair, and one that has gifted him with a powerful connection to his legions of devoted fans, who pack his annual fan getaway events, as well as the nearly 100 shows a year he performs both with his band and solo in an intimate “storyteller” setting that he captured on the 2015 CD/DVD and concert film, **“Stripped Down.”** Though too self-deprecating to discuss his immense appeal, he will acknowledge that the fans connect with him through the music. “I guess they think I’m honest,” Springfield

said. "They must like my approach, what I write about. I think they like that I have a sense of humor in it at times. Because the 'cute' thing isn't going to last forever."

John Michael Montgomery signed for Aug. 18 show

ORANGE PARK – John Michael Montgomery turned an uncanny ability to relate to fans into one of country music's most storied careers.

Behind the string of hit records, the roomful of awards and the critical and fan accolades that have defined his phenomenal success lies a connection that goes beyond his undeniable talent and his proven knack for picking hits. Few artists in any genre sing with more heart than this handsome Kentucky-born artist.

Montgomery will at the Thrasher-Horne Center on Aug. 18 for a show that starts at 7:30 p.m.

It is readily apparent in love songs that have helped set the standard for a generation. Songs like "I Swear," "I Love the Way You Love Me" and "I Can Love You Like That" still resonate across the landscape – pop icon and country newcomer Jessica Simpson cited "I Love The Way You Love Me" as an influence in a recent interview. It is apparent in the 2004 hit "Letters From Home," one of the most moving tributes to the connection between soldiers and their families ever recorded, and in "The Little Girl," a tale of redemption that plumbs both the harrowing and the uplifting. It is apparent even in the pure fun that

has always found its way into John Michael's repertoire--songs like "Be My Baby Tonight" and "Sold (The Grundy County Auction Incident)," where John Michael's vocal earnestness takes musical whimsy to another level.

Tickets start at \$39 and are available at thcenter.org.

Jay White's Sweet Caroline Tour headed to Thrasher-Horne

ORANGE PARK – The Sweet Caroline Tour is a Neil Diamond Concert celebration starring the No. 1 Diamond performer in the world – Jay White. It is without question, the most authentic Neil Diamond Concert Experience on the planet.

Conceived in response to Diamond's retirement from the concert stage and the huge demand from audiences worldwide to enjoy the music of the Rock N' Roll Hall of Fame icon in a live music setting, White will bring his legacy tour to the Thrasher-Horne Center on Aug. 13.

During the past three decades, White has performed more than 10,000 concerts worldwide, reflecting the stage persona of an American Music Legend. Each expression of every Neil Diamond song performed by White evokes the power and the passion of a live Diamond performance.

Tickets, which start at \$29, are available at thcenter.org.

Timucuan Parks Foundation offers research grants to college students

Students have until May 19 to submit their research proposal

For Clay Today

JACKSONVILLE – Timucuan Parks Foundation and the National Park Service's Timucuan Ecological and Historic Preserve will offer student research grants to college students.

The \$500 grants will be awarded to undergraduate and graduate students involved in a research project within or about the Timucuan Preserve. The grant program is open to all degree-seeking students in any academic field currently enrolled in an institute of higher education. Students have until May 19 to submit a research proposal that can be completed independently or with a team.

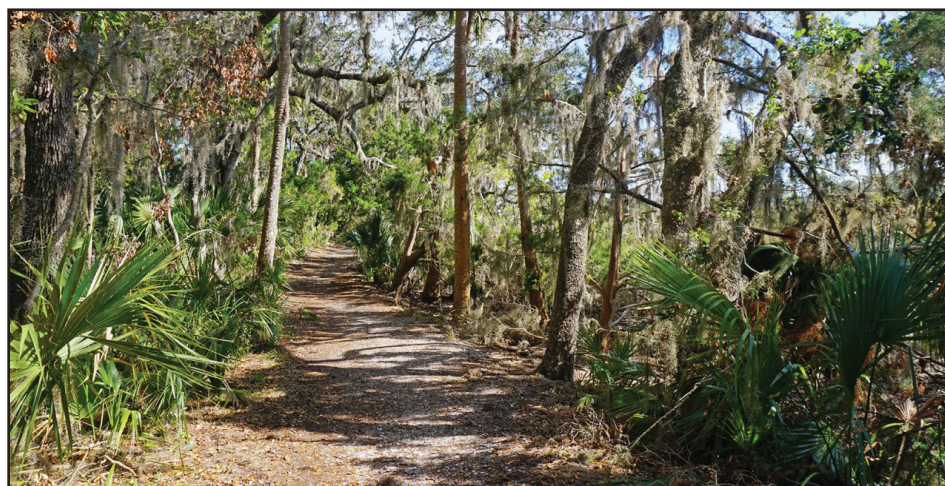
Students must choose a faculty mentor to work with and submit a research proposal to answer a question relevant to the Timucuan Preserve. The project must be completed within eight months, including all research, analysis and reporting.

and be done in collaboration with National Park Service professionals and staff. The submission must include a letter from a faculty member, along with the student's resume/CV and the faculty member's resume/CV.

Submissions should be emailed to Anne Lewellen, Timucuan Preserve, at anne_lewellen@nps.gov. The grant will support student stipends, travel, and/or project costs.

Students will be notified in late May if they are selected. Timucuan Parks Foundation will distribute the funds in June. The research will be conducted in the summer and fall months, and the findings must be presented at the Timucuan Science and History Symposium in January of 2024.

The student research grant program is funded through sponsorships for the Symposium. It was designed to introduce students to field research and attract them and retain their interest in ecological science, preservation, archaeology and the history of the Timucuan Preserve. The program allows students to share research re-



sults with an audience of research professionals and creates partnerships between university faculty, students and NPS. It also gives NPS a better understanding of the resources within the Timucuan Preserve.

More information, including a complete program overview and ideas for research topics, can be found at www.timucuan-parks.org/symposium/ or www.nps.gov/timu/planyourvisit/research.htm.

Cloud Busters hosts night-flying event at Keystone Heights Airport

By Natalie Gilstrap
For Clay Today

KEYSTONE HEIGHTS – The Keystone Heights Cloud Busters RC Club recently held a night fly event at the Keystone Heights Airport.

Every few months, the group hosts this event for the community to gather together and enjoy the show.

“We’ve been during it for a number of years,” club vice president Antonio Galan said.

The idea to start hosting night fly events began after some club members were experimenting with LED lights on their model aircraft and learned that hobby manufacturers were producing airplane kits with built-in lights. “We thought that it was really nice and that we should do something.”

Families watched from their lawn chairs to watch the members fly their model airplanes. Bombers, airliners, helicopters and gliders were some of the aircraft flown. In addition, the members entertained the guests by performing maneuvers such as flips and twirls in the air. As the sky grew darker, the members brought

out their gliders decked with colorful LED lights to fly in the air. They also flew a helicopter with LED Lights attached, making it look like a flying saucer as it flew in the air.

“We enjoy flying and the airport in Keystone was a big part of Keystone’s growth during World War II,” Galen said. “We’re a part of the community, and we just want people to know what we do out there.”

A group of hobbyists founded Cloud Busters RC Club and has been flying at the airport since the 1970s. It was not until the mid-2000s that the group became a sanctioned club, and in 2007 they formed a remote control airplane club. The club is sanctioned through the Academy of Model Aeronautics, and all members have licenses with the Academy of Model Aeronautics and the Federal Aviation Administration.

Besides hosting night flies, they also perform at events that the Keystone Heights Airport is hosting. Lastly, they welcome anyone who wants to join and experience the fun. “We welcome people to join us.”

To learn more about the Keystone Heights Cloud Busters visit, www.modelaircraft.org/club/keystone-cloud-busters.



PHOTOS BY NATALIE GILSTRIP

RC aircraft enthusiasts find the wide open areas at the Keystone Airport to be ideal to enjoy their hobby.



Keystone Cloud Busters have an eclectic array of radio-controlled and glider aircrafts. The group recently enjoyed a night fly event.





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C.S. Lewis once said, *"You are never too old to set another goal or to dream a new dream."*

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God wants us to dream, and He wants us to dream big because we can accomplish anything through the power He gives to us!

God's Word reveals His desire for us to actualize our dreams and His help along the way.

God has a plan for each and every one of our lives. Jeremiah 29:11 says, *"For I know the plans I have for you," says the LORD. "They are plans for good and not for disaster, to give you a future and a hope."*

If we follow God and let Him guide us, we will experience the fruition of these amazing plans God has prepared for our lives.

But to dream big and have those dreams come into reality, we must pray, and pray even bigger than you dream! God must be the center focus of your life. Psalm 37:4 says, *"Take delight in the LORD, and he will give you your heart's desires."*

Walking with the Lord and living as close to Him as possible is the only way our prayers will lead us to the life God has prepared for us in advance.

We can rest assured that with God on our side, we cannot fail in anything that we strive for. Proverbs 16:3 says, *"Commit your actions to the LORD, and your plans will succeed."*

When our dreams and goals in life are unified with God's will for our life, we are unstoppable.

So, dream big, and pray bigger!

Etheridge making one-night stop at Thrasher-Horne

By Dave Gil de Rubio
For Clay Today

Novelist Thomas Wolfe once famously quipped that you can never go home. Clearly, he never met Melissa Etheridge, whose latest album, "One Way Out," consists of seven songs she penned in the late 1980s and early 1990s.

While this material is roughly three decades old, the seed for Etheridge's 16th studio album was planted in 2013. At the time, she was working on a proposed box set of archival recordings when she came across this cache of material the Kansas native felt compelled to revisit.

"A lot of these were things I had recorded for different albums where I'd done one take and then decided I couldn't do it and moved on," she said in a recent phone interview. "These were songs I'd done demos of and forgotten about. This is stuff I wouldn't write now because I'm not feeling sexually frustrated. And 'For the Last Time' was written at a time when I didn't want everybody to know how sexually frustrated I was. All of these are songs that I loved back then, but it was done before I came out (as gay). 'Wild Wild Wild' was obviously about a woman, so I pushed it aside and left it. But it's fun to sing those songs. It's like finding a treasure and seeing that I can do this again—rock and hit you in the teeth. And while it's truthful, I don't have to have gone through it now. It's so nice to look back at them and know I can play them now."

While the box set never came to fruition, she did go back into the studio with her old band of guitarist John Shanks, bassist Kevin McCormick and drummer Fritz Lewak. Once the group reunited, they hit the studio and recorded new versions



of the songs that were intended for this proposed multi-disc anthology. Instead, Etheridge parted ways with longtime label Island Records and since she paid for the sessions, the singer-songwriter owned the masters, which wound up in the vault. In the near-decade since she cut those songs, the 61-year-old rocker survived cancer, cut three records and was ready for a fresh start coming out of the pandemic.

"When COVID-19 hit and BMG approached me and said they'd love to release something, I said I actually happened to have something that was already recorded and all done," she explained. "It fits this time. The songs are ready and I love coming back on tour with these songs. It's really fun."

"One Way Out" opens with the title track, a cut that blisters with smoldering guitar riffs, filthy harmonica runs and a sinewy groove. From here, the rest of the album plugs into a barroom rock and roll vibe that ranges from the Stonies strut of "As Cool As You Try" to the more ruminative "I'm No Angel Myself," a confessional nod to a former partner, to "For the Last Time," an in-your-face stomper in the vein of vintage Humble Pie. Tying it all together are "You

Have No Idea" and "Life Goes On," a pair of songs recorded live in 2002 at West Los Angeles's Roxy.

The experience of pulling together "One Way Out" proved surreal in a way that made Etheridge feel like she was bending the time space continuum far differently than on her prior recording experiences.

"Each album is a growing and learning experience for me and I love each one so much because they're all different in their own way," she said. "This one is unique because it's older songs recorded newer, but also a few years ago. It's a time capsule of a time capsule and I dig that. Now I'm going to go out and perform these live and probably make recordings now of these songs that go back. And it's still 100 percent me."

With touring now back on the table, Etheridge is thrilled to throw the pandemic shackles off, having spent a year-and-a-half live streaming from her garage five days a week onto an Internet channel called EtheridgeTV, where she could bring shows and entertainment to fans that subscribed. When asked what fans can expect from her concerts, Etheridge is bubbling over with excitement to be back in her natural element—playing music before a live audience.

"You can expect me to be having so much fun," she said. "Because I've had so much time to think about it, I've decided to have the band learn 50 more songs than they knew," Etheridge said, noting she may delve into deep cuts or highlight certain albums from her catalog. "We're kind of going to steer in there, do the hits, jam on some songs and have a good time. We're going to be back with people loving music."



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Clay County Fair Home and Art Photography Exhibit moves to courthouse

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – For the first time in this program's two-year history, part of the annual exhibit rotation now includes artwork from winners of various categories from the Clay County Agricultural Fair's Home Arts and Photography Competition. Visitors will enjoy a gallery filled with various colorful artwork from both adult and youth-level artists now through June 16. The program is a partnership involving the Clerk/Comptroller's Office, Clay County judiciary and county officials, local art groups, civic organizations, the school system and more. While done at other courthouses around our state and country, this program is a first for our courthouse, i.e., a permanent space for continuous community art display. Displays rotate through the gallery every one-to-three months and expansion of display space is underway. The Art in the Courthouse Gallery is accessible any time the courthouse is open to the public, typically Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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Déjà vu all over again

Despite starting over several times, SJCA's Hamad will graduate on time

By Don Coble
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FLEMING ISLAND – Sana Hamad's life has been on do-over after another.

Born in Iraq, she had to learn English when her family moved to Texas when she was 5. Then after moving to Florida two years ago, she had to retake state exams she already passed two years ago.

Equally unsettling was the adjustment from a public school with more than 1,000 students to the quaint confines of St. Johns Classical Academy.

"My high school experience has been very weird," she said. "I went from a school with thousands of people to a school with only 22 seniors."

Standard testing from Texas didn't comply with Florida, Sana said. So state exams taken in 10th grade had to be retaken during her junior and senior years at SJCA.

And she had to do it while working a part-time job.

"COVID didn't help," Sana said. "I had to re-do everything, and working from home because of COVID wasn't easy."

Sana works three hours for the YMCA after-school program at the Classical Academy. She got home at 6:30 p.m. and still had hours of studying to catch up.

"I had a hard time with time management," she said. "I had to reorganize myself and do schoolwork. Time management was a struggle for me because I ran off little hours of sleep. I mean, it was just the cycle. Every single day was just the same thing. So I got tired at moments, but I also had good moments at the same time."

"It took a long time. I had to go to tutoring. I had to take practice tests. I didn't want to quit. I wanted to persevere and go through it. I wanted to finish the year off

strong."

Sana will join 21 other senior classmates for the school's graduation program on May 19 at Hibernia Baptist Church on Fleming Island. And she will do it as a newly-naturalized citizen.

"When I came to America, it was 2010, and I knew little to no English at all," she said. "I was a very quiet kid. I didn't even speak Arabic. I was just super shy at home and in school."

"It was a struggle learning a new language and getting along with customs and the culture here. And I also had a hard time in elementary school, too."

Her parents became U.S. citizens in 2016. Sana was naturalized last August.

Sana said she plans to attend St. Johns River State College next year before transferring to the University of North Florida.



Sana Hamad



Redefining sanity

Orange Park's Green gets support to pass English ACT on sixth try

By Don Coble
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ORANGE PARK – The English portion of the American College Test (ACT) was particularly difficult for Orange Park High's Copeland Green.

The other parts of the standardized test – math, reading and science – were a snap, but Green's Attention Deficit Disorder created a unique challenge for the senior.

"I had a problem because of the way the test was formatted," he said. "I couldn't seem to pass it. I just didn't get it. The more I tried, the harder it got."

The disorder makes it difficult to focus and prioritize a task. Copeland was easily distracted and his attention often wandered away from the test.

"I have ADD, so I need more time for assignments to be able to do something," he said.

Green said he started to believe he'd fail every time he took the test. No matter how many approaches he tried, nothing worked.

"I feel like I had a lot of anxiety," he said. "I was having trouble with it at the time. All of these tests just got me worked up. And it just kind of built up on me. It was hard to believe in myself anymore. I figured it was too hard for me. But I kept working at it. I tried to fight through it."



Copeland Green

He kept taking the test. And again. And again. And again. And again.

"My teachers helped me through it all and I was finally able to get it," Copeland said. "I failed it five times in total. I was close to quitting, but my teachers kept working with me."

"I was really close to quitting. Every time I took the test, I expected it to go bad."

A passing grade on the English portion

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Refusing to give up



Jakayleia Bauer

Clay Virtual's Bauer defies challenges to earn her degree early

By Don Coble
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KEYSTONE HEIGHTS – Jakayleia Bauer thought about giving many times in the last seven months. Nobody would blame her, either, since she was rearing twin daughters and trying to finish her senior year of high school.

But she didn't quit. In fact, she completed her classwork ahead of schedule and will graduate later this month from Clay Virtual Academy with a 3.37-grade

point average.

Although she had plenty of support, Jakayleia had to do most of the hard work herself. The sense of achievement that will come with her diploma has allowed her to think about a successful future.

"A year ago, I really didn't have a plan, but I think I want to go back to school," she said. "I think I might want to do cosmetology. And I'd like to be married."

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Police Briefs

Man wanted for kidnapping daughter arrested in Jacksonville

JACKSONVILLE — A man who triggered an Amber Alert after his eight-month-old daughter was taken on Feb. 16, was arrested by the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office on March 1 and returned to Clay County on April 25 to face interference with custody and kidnapping charges.

Terry Aries Levy, 46, will remain in the Clay County Jail without bond.

Paradise Levy was reported missing near Stoneyhill Way. According to the alert, her father, who reportedly has no custodial rights, was seen leaving the area near the abduction near Youngerman Circle.

The girl's aunt called deputies to tell them the child was dropped off at her house later that day.

Levy's arraignment will be May 9.

Middleburg man convicted of Green Cove Springs murder

GREEN COVE SPRINGS — A Middleburg man faces a possible life sentence after a Clay County jury found him guilty on April 28 of second degree murder and armed robbery after a planned ambush left one of the attackers dead.

Daveion Breshod Austin, 23, will be sentenced on July 5 after the jury agreed he masterminded the robbery of three men who thought they were buying guns. One of Austin's accomplices, 18-year-old Skyler Shane Townsend, of Orange Park, was shot by the victim on Nov. 17, 2020, on the 1100 block of Center Street.

Austin posted photos of guns on social media and the victim, friend and family member responded. After Austin was paid, he sent the victims to a spot to pick up the guns, the State Attorney's Office said. When they arrived, one of the attackers fired two shots with an AR-type rifle. Somebody in the victim's entourage returned fire and struck Townsend.

The case was investigated by the Green Cove Springs Police Department and was prosecuted by Assistant State Attorneys Randi Daugustinis and Hector Murcia-Bustos.

Austin also was charged with battery in the county jail after Clay County Sheriff's Office Detention Deputies said he joined Bernard Reese, Kyle Randelston, Deshaun Green and Qwentin Simmons in a brutal attack of another inmate, Dontae Reid, on

March 10.

Also, charges were dropped against Austin following another three-on-one jailhouse attack on March 14, 2022.

Man in jail for trafficking meth after being released from prison

KEYSTONE HEIGHTS — A traffic stop for an expired tag led to the eventual arrest of a Starke man for trafficking in methamphetamine.

Rosalio Hernandez Rios, 39, was charged with trafficking after a sheriff's office K-9 alerted deputies of the likely presence of illegal narcotics during a traffick stop on April 27.

A search uncovered 17.7 grams of methamphetamine, along with two glass pipes, 3½ buprenorphine pills, two boxes of suboxone strips, 8.6 grams of marijuana and a digital scale. Rios told deputies he had just been released from prison.

Rios' bond was set at \$256,260. His next hearing will be on May 30.

Brother, sister arrested for resisting, obstructing CCSO investigation

ORANGE PARK — A man who yelled expletives at Clay County Sheriff's Office deputies and refusing to leave a roped off crime scene while they were investigating a burglary call wound up going to jail, too.

Ricardo Miguel Andino, 18, of Orange Park, was charged with corruption by making threats to a public servant and obstructing law enforcement when he tried to stop deputies from arresting his sister, Raquel Nicole Johnson, 27. After Andino moved his car at the apartment complex, he walked under the yellow police tape and refused to leave.

His bond was set at \$6,505. Johnson was arrested for resisting and obstructing law enforcement. He bond was set at \$1,502.

Orange Park Athletic Association softball coach indicted for child porn

JACKSONVILLE — U.S. Attorney Roger B. Handberg announced the arrest and the return of an indictment charging Andrew Lynn Overheul, 43, of Orange Park, with six counts of producing and attempting to produce child sexual abuse files. If convicted, Overheul faces a minimum manda-

tory 15 years, up to 180 years, in federal prison. The indictment also notifies Overheul that the United States intends to forfeit electronic devices used in the commission of the charged offenses. Overheul will be detained pending a trial scheduled for the June 2023 trial term.

An indictment is merely a formal charge that a defendant has committed one or more violations of federal criminal law, and every defendant is presumed innocent unless, and until, proven guilty.

This case was investigated by the Clay County Sheriff's Office, Homeland Security Investigations and the Northeast Florida INTERCEPT Task Force. It is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Kelly S. Karase.

The case is brought as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative launched in May 2006 by the Department of Justice to combat the growing epidemic of child sexual exploitation and abuse. Led by the United States Attorneys' Offices and the Criminal Division's Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section, Project Safe Childhood marshals federal, state, and local resources to locate, apprehend, and prosecute individuals who sexually exploit children, and to identify and rescue victims. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit www.justice.gov/psc.

Orange Park man convicted of firing sawed-off shotgun

JACKSONVILLE — Dylan Milton Jarvis, 31, of Orange Park, has been found guilty of unlawful possession of an unregistered National Firearms Act firearm (sawed-

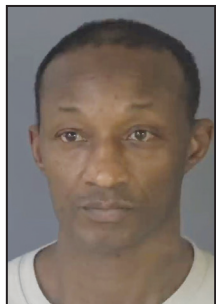
off shotgun), following a bench trial. Jarvis faces a maximum penalty of 10 years in federal prison and forfeiture of the sawed-off shotgun seized by law enforcement during their investigation. The case is set for sentencing on July 24.

According to court documents, at approximately 5:30 p.m. on January 11, 2022, deputies from the Clay County Sheriff's Office responded to calls of shots fired near Blanding Boulevard. Eyewitnesses in the area described an individual, later identified as Jarvis, carrying a shotgun and firing multiple rounds. Upon making contact with Jarvis in a parking lot, the deputies determined that Jarvis had fired three to four shells from a Harrington & Richardson 12-gauge shotgun and then discarded the firearm. The deputies located the shotgun in the immediate vicinity of the parking lot along with multiple spent shotgun shells.

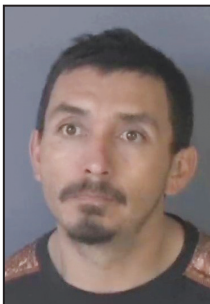
During an interview with the CCSO, Jarvis admitted to illegally modifying the shotgun. Follow up investigation by the CCSO and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives determined that Jarvis had previously sawed off the barrel and the stock of the 12-gauge shotgun. A record check confirmed that this sawed-off shotgun was not registered to Jarvis in the National Firearms Registration and Transfer Record, as required under federal law.

The case was investigated by the Clay County Sheriff's Office and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives — Jacksonville Office. It is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Kevin C. Frein. Assistant U.S. Attorney Mai Tran

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is handling the forfeiture of the sawed-off shotgun.

This case is part of Project Safe Neighborhoods, a program bringing together all levels of law enforcement and the communities they serve to reduce violent crime and gun violence, and to make our neighborhoods safer for everyone.

On May 26, 2021, the Department launched a violent crime reduction strategy strengthening PSN based on these core principles: fostering trust and legitimacy in our communities, supporting community-based organizations that help prevent violence from occurring in the first place, setting focused and strategic enforcement priorities, and measuring the results.

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Her daughters are six months old. Getting them both to sleep at the same time wasn't easy. And when they did nod off, she dug into her schoolwork.

"It was hard at first, but I got some help with the babies," she said. "I thought about giving up multiple times, but I just didn't want to waste all that time."

As if being a teenage mother wasn't complicated enough, her daughters had to be delivered by Cesarean.

"There was a risk that one of them wasn't going to make it if they didn't take them out when they did," Jakayleia said. "They had to stay in the NICU (neonatal intensive care unit) for almost a month. This was a high-risk pregnancy because of the type of twins that I had."

The father is in the Navy. Jakayleia said he's been a positive influence.

"He's been very huge help to me, one of the main people that was pushing me to finish school," she said.

Her daughters and family also kept Jakayleia motivated.

"I've been through a lot," she said, "but I got a lot of help. My babies are doing well, too. It hasn't been easy, but I couldn't give up."

Green

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is a 20. Green scored a 22.

"I've had to pay for a lot, and I've failed a lot," he said. "I finally was able to pass it. The extra time that I got is what got me to pass the test."

Copeland will graduate on May 19 with the rest of his Raiders classmates. Oddly enough, he's not sure he wants to attend college immediately after completing high school. But if he does, he will have ACT scores to make it possible.

Middleburg man caught with child sexual abuse videos

JACKSONVILLE — Sam David Harris, Jr., 37, Middleburg, was charged with possessing of videos depicting the sexual abuse of young children. If convicted, Harris faces a maximum penalty of 20 years in federal prison. Harris has been ordered detained pending trial.

A complaint is merely a formal charge that a defendant has committed one or

more violations of federal criminal law, and every defendant is presumed innocent unless, and until, proven guilty.

This case was investigated by Homeland Security Investigations and the Clay County Sheriff's Office. It is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Kelly S. Karase.

This case is brought as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative launched in May 2006 by the Department of Justice to combat the growing epidemic

of child sexual exploitation and abuse. Led by the United States Attorneys' Offices and the Criminal Division's Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section, Project Safe Childhood marshals federal, state, and local resources to locate, apprehend, and prosecute individuals who sexually exploit children, and to identify and rescue victims. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit www.justice.gov/psc.

Arrests & Bookings

Saturday, April 29

Zak R. Derby, 32, Maxville, domestic battery

Antwain D. Thornton, 22, Orange Park, DWSLR

Jon C. Carroll, 41, Middleburg, aggravated assault with deadly weapon

Austin T. Linn, 25, Middleburg, FTA-DWSLR

Christine M. Lira, 34, Orange Park, domestic battery

Sheyla T. Tobierre, 28, Orange Park, battery on law enforcement/firefighter/EMT, resist/obstruct/oppose law enforcement

William G. Lee, 30, Orange Park, possession-cocaine, possession-methamphetamine

Shonda J. Riley, 47, Keystone Heights, possession-methamphetamine

Raquel N. Johnson, 27, Orange Park, resist/obstruct/oppose law enforcement

Ricardo M. Andino, 18, Orange Park, corruption by threatening public servant/family, resist/obstruct/oppose law enforcement

Angela J.M. Winslow, 28, Keystone Heights, DUI

Friday, April 28

Thomas J. Wilken, 38, Fleming Island, DUI with passenger younger than 18, refusal of BAL test

Beau D. Cook, 40, Middleburg, two counts violation of injunction with two or more prior convictions

Crystal G. Owens, 43, Orange Park, trespassing

Keylann D. Taylor, 32, Fleming Island, defraud financial institution, display of another person's driver's license

William J. Aviles, 43, Keystone Heights, resist/obstruct/oppose law enforcement

Luis A. Rodriguez, 23, Green Cove Springs, FTA-driving with expired tag

Charles M. Menden, 50, Fleming Island, fraud/uttering false instrument

Jessica M. Sullivan, 27, Middleburg, DUI

John D. Powell, 56, Orange Park, domestic battery

Cory J. Roberts, 37, Green Cove Springs, DUI

Thursday, April 27

Edwin A.P. Martinez, 25, Green Cove Springs, FTA

Jason R.P. McKinney, 30, Orange Park, trespassing

Rosalio H. Rios, 39, Keystone Heights,

trafficking-methamphetamine/amphetamine, possession-controlled substance, possession-marijuana

David M. Havlicek, 35, Middleburg, felony domestic battery by strangulation, adult false imprisonment, resist/obstruct/oppose law enforcement

Timothy L. Brown, 26, Orange Park, trespassing

Samantha L. Lane, 32, Green Cove Springs, FTA-DWSLR. FTA-failure to register vehicle

Wednesday, April 26

James R. Plumpowski, 37, Middleburg, DUI, refusal to submit to BAL test

Ashlee L. Shelton, 33, Middleburg, domestic battery

Tyler S. Brown, 35, Middlbeburg, possession-methamphetamine, possession-firearm/ammo by convicted felon, possession-drug paraphernalia

Mathew A. McDonald, 46, Orange Park, domestic battery

Rashaad N. Miller, 23, Orange Park, domestic battery, resist/obstruct/oppose law enforcement

Ricky T. Sledge, 26, Green Cove Springs, FTA-driving with expired registration

Gui L. Lu, 31, Middleburg, shoplifting

Curtis J. Furman, 56, Green Cove Springs, FTA-DWSLR

Juan B. De La Cruz, 31, Orange Park, possession-controlled substance, possession-drug paraphernalia

Christopher S. Miles, 45, Orange Park, possession-controlled substance, possession-drug paraphernalia

Scot A. Blevins, 49, Green Cove Springs, domestic battery

Thousands drawn to Thrasher-Horne for annual school art show

By Lee Wardlaw
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ORANGE PARK – Creative student works of art were on display at the 34th Clay County District Schools Student Art Show last Friday and Saturday, with the talent and hard work of the elementary, middle school and high school students for public admiration at the Thrasher-Horne Center.

Hundreds headed to the event center to be immersed and the cultural experience of countless works inspired by several art types like self-portraits, ceramics, contemporary, modern art, pop art and other styles.

Students utilized their creative abilities to render their best impressions of self-portraits, animals, nature, food and more.

The submissions were reviewed by guest judges, including the Art Guild of Orange Park, College Drive Initiative, Clay Education Foundation, Orange Park Mall, County Clerk of Court and Comptroller, Clay County Fire and Rescue, County Public Library and the Clay County Sheriff's Office.

The event attracted thousands who wanted to see the beautiful works.

The art show's community outreach room showcased the unique attributes of the school district and county.

Some of the winners included: Fleming Island High's Kaitlyn Montgomery, Orange Park High's Jasmine Hecht, Orange Park's Trinity Dennison, Lakeside Junior High's Katie Baird and Lake Asbury Junior High's Callie Fenwick for Award of Excellence, Oakleaf High's Yarilynn Rodriguez, Orange Park's Faith Williams and Lake Asbury Junior High's Alaina Buschle, Wilkinson Junior High's Zick Macxis, Adrian Von Barga



Wilkinson Junior High eighth grader Zick Macxis's graphite-based submission was awarded "Best in Show."

and Haley Hajost for Best in Show, Lake Asbury's Ryleigh Difiore and Buschle, Ridgeview High's Trent Persinger, Clay's Anja Wehner and Audrey Milligan, Fleming Island's Audrey Freehafter, Orange Park's Errica Freeman and Green Cove Springs Junior High's Rorie Kenison for Judge's Recognition and Lake Asbury's Layla Glover, Orange Park's Leylani Rodriguez-Perez, Fleming Island's Sophia Fitzgerald and Ridgeview's Annaleisa Williamson for Honorable Mention.

Local artists spoke with students and answered questions as several other vendors, like the UF/IFAS Clay County Extension Office, public library and teacher-ran art stations for students, with watercolor



Large crowds were on hand to view exhibits at the Thrasher-Horne Center for the Clay County School District's Elementary and Secondary Art Show in Orange Park on Friday and Saturday.

painting, rainbow pencil drawing and books featuring art-based themes available.

Food trucks, vendors, and music also were featured in the parking lot.

The successful ingredients were at the center after the show was held at the Orange Park Mall during the last three years.

"(The event) was 10 times more successful than I thought it would be, and I was impressed with the parents and kids that came," said Karen McMillan, the district's Coordinator for School Choice and

Charter and a representative of the art show.

Superintendent David Broskie said the show highlighted the exceptional talent of the county's students but also took on the theme that learning "is fun" – a process not always found in the traditional classroom.

"It's great to see the multitude of talents from the students. Learning isn't just all reading, writing, and arithmetic for the students," he said.



Alivia Corral of Fleming Island High School submitted a beautiful scene featuring sci-fi imagery.



Keystone Heights Elementary made a splash with animal, nature, and cartoon-based works at the exhibit.

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Fleming Island linebacker Ryan Smenda was an all state selection and played five years at Wake Forest University.

Ryan Smenda to play for the L.A. Rams

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

FLEMING ISLAND - Fleming Island High football linebacker and state wrestling champion Ryan Smenda, a recent graduate of Wake Forest University and one of the school's leading tackler, has signed on to play for the National Football League's Los Angeles Rams as an undrafted rookie free agent, according to NFL sources and also Smenda via a telephone call.

"Give all the Glory to God and thank all the coaches along the way," said Smenda, at home with his family when the task was done. "I had been to some Pro Days with some other teams; Jaguars, included, and had a good Zoom conversation with the linebacker coaches for the Rams; Chris Shula, in the last two weeks."

Shula, the son to former Cincinnati Bengals head coach David Shula and a grandson of Hall of Fame coach Don Shula. Don Shula orchestrated the only unbeaten Super Bowl champions while coach for the Miami Dolphins in 1972. Chris Shula

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Lace 'Em Up! Spring football starts



STAFF PHOTOS BY RANDY LEFKO

The Big Kahunas

Middleburg High's offensive line; left to right, Charles Little, Luke Greene, Travis McStephenson, Jaylen Booker, Micah George and Noah Montoro will be the very big front line of attack for coach Ryan Wolfe's offense in 2023 as area football teams ramp up for spring football.

Early pick, PAT leads to Eagles win

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

FLEMING ISLAND - An interception on the first pass of the game; by defensive back London Jenkins, got Fleming Island's flag football team to the Sandalwood two yard line with a Gabi Musa score to follow as the Golden Eagles held on to a 20-19 Class 2A region playoff Wed., April 26 at Fleming Island High School.

In the Panhandle for their first Class 1A playoff game, Ridgeview ended their season with a 40-0 loss to Choctow-hatchee.

"It's an old saying the defense wins championships and these girls held against a very talented Sandalwood (8-5) team," said Fleming Island coach Clint Lyons, now 13-0 and set to host a second playoff game on Wed., May 3 against Pace High. Pace is 15-4 and advanced also with a 20-19 win; this one over Winter



Fleming Island quarterback Mykala Maddox sprints away for 42 yard score in 20-19 region playoff win over Sandalwood.

Park. "Gabi broke through on her rush on the fourth down on their PAT attempt to seal the game."


Fleming Island entered the playoffs as the region top seed with Spruce Creek second and Pace fourth. Spruce Creek

(18-1) will host New Smyrna Beach (12-6) in the other half of the semifinal brackets. Spruce Creek beat Fletcher 20-13 to advance with New Smyrna Beach beating Chiles 14-12.

In 2022, Fleming Island defeated Pace 19-7 in the region final to advance to the Class 2A Final Four but lost to Western 34-13 in their state semifinal. Western, 13-2 and ranked second in 2A, is the defending Class 2A champion. Fleming Island is ranked fifth. Pace, 14-4, is ranked 21st.

From the defense, Lyons got a solid second half rush effort from freshman Daisy Fletcher to keep the Sandalwood attack, led by lefty quarterback Ashley Purdy, under wraps with the quick-reacting Fleming Island secondary; Jenkins and safety Mykayla Maddox covering the open field with Musa and Megan Cobb

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CORRESPONDENT PHOTO BY RAY DIMONDA

Clay High baseball got a thunderous eighth inning homer from Joshua Rouw, here being greeted at home plate after the dinger, as Blue Devils beat Keystone Heights 4-2 in season finale.

Rouw’s thunderclap wins Blue Devil’s finale

By Ray Dimonda
Correspondent

GREEN COVE SPRINGS - Clay High batter Joshua Rouw highlighted a thunder-filled night of cancelled baseball with his own eighth-inning thunder bomb; a walkoff two run blast that lifted the Blue Devils to a hard-fought 4-2 win over rival Keystone Heights High in both teams season finale.

“We played them in the beginning of the season, knew they are a really good team and we got into a dogfight with them tonight,” said Clay High Head Coach Josh Persinger. “I told the boys right before we went to bat, there is nothing that can get you ready for playoff baseball other than this. I’m a bunting man, it crossed my mind and I’m real glad I didn’t.”

The heavy rains that soaked most of the First Coast spared Green Cove Springs with just a passing shower and left the teams to add the thunder as Clay put up a quick run in the bottom of the first inning, and another in the bottom of the third to get out front 2-0. The Keystone Defense put the brakes on the Clay offense and needed until the fourth inning to break the scoring ice with run number one, and the second in the top of the sixth to tie the game, 2-2.

“This was a plus for us,” said Keystone

Heights Head Coach Chris Roach. “This was a game where we thought we had a good chance to win in the end. If we can compete with these guys, we can compete with anybody, so for us it’s a plus heading into districts.”

With another storm quickly bearing down, deadlocked 2-2 at the end of the seventh inning, the game was turning into beat the clock as the eighth inning began. The Indians went three batters to the box and three outs, putting the game back into the Blue Devils hands. After a Chase Haggard walk to get the winning run on first base, it was Joshua Rouw who was the Clay sensation as he took the ball out of the park in left field for a two run walk off home run to end the game, 4-2.

As the Clay defense held off the top three Keystone batters, it was the Blue Devils to put the first point on the board on the bottom of the first inning after Aiden Hampton singled, followed up by Rouw going right up to the fence in left field to score Hampton, 1-0. The Indian defense stopped the bleeding with the single score and needed to even things up. For two more innings, that would not happen as the Clay defense led by the pitching of Elishia Roberts, three hits, one run, zero walks, and

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District Baseball Schedules

District 3-6A at Fletcher May 1-4

May 1: 1. Buchholz (17-6, 4th, 14.1 SOS) BYE; 4. Nease (12-12, 34th, 11.6 SOS) vs. 5. Fletcher (12-12, 56th, 5.8 SOS) (4 p.m.); 2. Fleming Island (15-7, 11th, 13.0 SOS) BYE; 3. Oakleaf (18-5, 9th, 9.5 SOS) vs. 6. First Coast (11-13, 64th, 5.1 SOS) 7 p.m. (OHS beat First Coast 12-10)

May 2: Buchholz vs. NHS v FHS winner 8 p.m.; Fleming Island vs. OHS v FCHS winner 5 p.m.

May 4: Championship game 7 p.m.

2022 6A regions: First Coast district champion, Fletcher district runnerup; First Coast lost region semifinal to Pace (6A runnerup). Fletcher lost region opener. Local: Oakleaf (16-10) in 7A, lost in district opener to Creekside. Fleming Island in 6A, lost 6-0 to Chiles in district semifinal.



District 3-5A at Orange Park May 2-4

May 2: 1. Clay (20-5, 3rd, 11.9 SOS) vs. 4. Middleburg (4-14, 68th, 4.0 SOS) (4 p.m.); 2. Ridgeview (17-6, 17th, 5.7 SOS) vs. 3. Orange Park (8-14, 55th, 4.8 SOS) (4 p.m.)

May 4: Championship game 7 p.m.

2022: Clay, in 4A, lost to Suwannee 2-1 in region semifinal. Ridgeview, 5A, lost 9-8 to Columbia in district semifinal. Columbia lost in Final Four. Middleburg beat Orange Park 10-3 in district quarterfinal, lost 7-3 to St. Augustine in district semifinal.

District 4-3A at Trinity Catholic May 1-4



May 1: 1. Trinity Catholic (17-8, 20th, 7.6 SOS) BYE; 4. Father Lopez (12-13, 46th, 0.5 SOS) vs. 5. Taylor (15-8, 72, -11.3 SOS) (6:30 p.m.); 2. Keystone Heights (15-8, 23rd, 6.2 SOS) vs. 7. Crescent City (9-14, 78th -6.3 SOS) (7 p.m.); 3. PK. Yonge (17-7, 31st, 0.9 SOS) vs. 6. Interlachen (7-17, 77th -1.9 SOS) (4 p.m.)

May 3: Trinity Catholic vs. FLopez v. THS winner 7 p.m.; KHHS v CCHS winner vs. PKY vs. IHS winner 4 p.m.

May 4: Championship game 6:30 p.m.

2022: Trinity Catholic lost to Fernandina Beach in 3A semifinal. Keystone Heights 3A lost in district semifinal to Baldwin.

District 2-2A at St. Johns Country Day School May 1-4

May 1: 1. St. Johns Country Day School (20-4, No. 1, 13.0 SOS) vs. 4. First Coast Christian (5-9, 80th, -12.9 SOS) (7 p.m.); 2. St. Joseph Academy (14-9, 23rd, 4.9 SOS) vs. 3. Christ’s Church Academy (5-15, 57th, 2.4 SOS) (4 p.m.) (SJCDS beat First Coast Christian 26-0)

May 4: Championship game 6:30 p.m.

2022: SJCDS lost in region final to North Florida Christian, 2A runnerup. St. Joseph Academy lost in region opener.



District Softball Tournaments

Districts 2-5A at Middleburg (May 1-4)

May 1: 1. RHS (14-6, 14th, 8.0 SOS) BYE; 5. Lincoln (9-13, 34th, 10.0 SOS) vs. 4. Orange Park (15-6, 28th, 0.1 SOS) (4:30 p.m.); 2. Columbia (15-6, 19th, 5.3 SOS) BYE; 6. Gainesville (6-13) vs. 3. Middleburg (13-9, 15th, 10.4 SOS) (6:30 p.m.)

May 2: Ridgeview vs. OP v Lincoln winner (7 p.m.); Columbia vs. MHS v GHS winner (5 p.m.)

May 4: Championship game (7 p.m.)

District 3-6A at Oakleaf (May 1-4)

May 1: 1. Oakleaf (8-11, 22nd, 15.3 SOS) BYE; 4.

Fletcher (9-9, 53rd, -1.3 SOS) vs. 5. Buchholz (5-17, 61st, 4.1 SOS) (6 p.m.); 2. First Coast (6-14, 43rd, 8.6 SOS) BYE; 3. Nease (7-14, 50th, 5.3 SOS) BYE

May 2: Oakleaf vs. FHS v BHS winner (7:30 p.m.); First Coast vs. Nease (7-14) (5:30 p.m.)

May 4: Championship game (7 p.m.)

District 3-5A at Fleming Island (May 1-3)

May 1: 1. Ponte Vedra (15-6, 15th, 6.1 SOS) BYE; 4. Parker (9-6, 58th, -11.5 SOS) vs. 5. St. Augustine (2-18, 69th, 1.6 SOS) (6:30 p.m.); 2. Clay (12-9, 17th, 10.9 SOS) BYE; 3. Fleming Island (8-13, 41st, 6.4 SOS) vs. 6. Englewood (3-9, 73rd, -8.7 SOS) (6 p.m.)

May 2: Ponte Vedra vs. PHS v SAHS winner (7 p.m.);

Clay vs. FIHS v. EHS (5 p.m.)

May 3: Championship game 7 p.m.

District 3-3A at Keystone Heights (May 1-4)

May 1: 1. Taylor (13-9, 20th, 6.1 SOS) BYE; 4. Interlachen (15-8, 46th, -3.0 SOS) vs. 5. Bradford (8-10, 45th, 3.0 SOS) (3 p.m.) 2. Palatka (11-10, 24th, 8.7 SOS) vs. 7. Crescent City (5-17, 72nd, -7.4 SOS) (5 p.m.); 3. Keystone Heights (6-17, 31st, 13.6 SOS) vs. 6. Beachside (7-11, 57th, -0.2 SOS) (7 p.m)

May 2: Taylor vs. IHS v BHS winner (7 p.m.); PHS vs. CCHS winner vss. KHHS vs. BHS winner 5 p.m.

May 4: Championship game 6 p.m.

District 2-2A at St. Johns Country Day School (May 1-4)

May 1: 1. St. Johns Country Day School (11-3, 24th, -10.9 SOS) BYE; 4. St. Joseph Academy (8-6, 36th, -6.1 SOS) vs. 5. Bishop Snyder (8-13, 39th, -0.2 SOS) (4:30 p.m.); 2. Trinity Christian Academy (3-12, 22nd, 12.8 SOS) BYE; 3. Eagles View (11-7, 42nd, -8.5 SOS) vs. 6. First Coast Christian (7-9, 62nd, -9.6 SOS) (6:30 p.m.)

May 2: SJCDS vs. SJA vs. BS winner 6:30 p.m.; TCA vs. EVA vs. FCC winner 7 p.m.

May 4: Championship game 6:30 p.m.

Prewitt exits with district semifinal

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

MANDARIN - Middleburg High volleyball coach Carrie Prewitt officially coached her final Bronco volleyball contest with a district semifinal finish in beach volleyball on Wed., April 26.

The Lady Broncos finished with a 9-5 overall record and delivered a 5-0 win over Clay in their district opener before losing 3-2 to Creekside for a second time this season. Creekside eventually lost in the district final to Ponte Vedra 5-0.

The Broncos roster was led by junior Connor Rahn and sophomore Brooke Forkum, two power players from the fall volleyball squad for Prewitt.

Prewitt announced that she would retire from volleyball in the fall and gave the reigns to former Bronco standout Meredith Forkum. Forkum will take over the program next fall.



Also playing the district tournament were senior Summer Repogle and senior Kaitlynn Nolan as the number two team. For the 3, 4 and 5 teams, Prewitt had a handful of young and upcoming players including freshmen Katelynn Lowery, Camden Rahn and Kathryn White with sophomore Rylee Custer and juniors Emma



Left: Middleburg's Brooke Forkum will be key player in season start for Bronco's coach Meredith Forkum who takes over for long-time coach Carrie Prewitt, above, with players Katelynn Lowery and Summer Repogle at district beach volleyball tournament.

Brugh and Kendyl Wahl.

Middleburg had losses to Bishop Kenny, Fletcher, Lincoln and Creekside twice with wins over Clay twice, Bishop Snyder twice, Atlantic Coast, Beachside and Episcopal.

In the state playoff bracket, Bishop Kenny and Creekside will play on May 2 with Leon and Chiles on the other half of the bracket.

Gulf Breeze will host Fletcher and Ponte Vedra will host Lincoln to complete the region lineup.

Unbeaten New Smyrna Beach (22-0) is top ranked in Class 1A with Bishop Kenny (16-3) eighth and Ponte Vedra (9-2) ranked 15th. Middleburg finished ranked 64th. Clay, in its first season, finished 2-7 with two wins over Stanton Prep.

Area teams ramp up during Spring Football



STAFF PHOTOS BY RANDY LEFKO

Area football teams started up with conditioning and drills for the first of four weeks of spring football with teams to have scrimmages this weekend and springs games at the end of May.

Clay Mavericks back in the saddle again

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

ORANGE PARK - Back in 1964, Donald Worthington wanted to make something that families could bring their families to every weekend no matter what.

"My dad was an adopted child and his dad was very busy salesman that lived out of hotel rooms and hardly spent time with the family," said Kathy Wroubel, Worthington's daughter and part of a four-generation span of dedicated family members that have been, in some part, the driving force of the recently revitalized Clay Mavericks Saddle Club and its Orange Park-based arena just off Blanding Blvd near Ridgeway High School. "It was very important to my dad that every weekend, he had family time with his family and the horses and the arena became our destination every Saturday night. His legacy has kept that tradition through four generations."

The arena was closed for nearly a year after the COVID pandemic.

On Saturday, with nearly 150 horse trailers parked in and about the Tanglewood area Clay Mavericks arena, fans of barrel racing got to see some of the best flying horsemanship in north Florida with the Clay Mavericks hosting a district NBHA (North Florida Barrel Horse Association) qualifying event. Riders from around north Florida and beyond were timed in a triangular course; start straight, 90 degree turn



Ashley Generazio of Jacksonville puts speed under her horse Oakley as they head to finish line.



Tynes Elementary math champion Easton Daum shows off one of his champions belts won in recent races.

left or right to a barrel for a 180 degree pivot, sprint across the arena to a second barrel for a second pivot; this time 270 degrees to head to a third barrel at the end of the arena for a final 180 pivot and final sprint home. Most of the times for the riders were in the 15-17 second range with ages from six to 60.

"The barrel racing is traditionally a female-oriented event because there is no roping or calf-chasing involved and it is pure speed, agility and horsemanship," said Maverick Augie Daum, who watched his daughter, Emree, and son, Easton, both compete on Saturday. "Most of the young riders can get on a horse pretty early, our boy; Easton was on a horse at 16 months, and it takes lots of tries to get the horse and rider on the same page for the racing like we do here."

For Daum, whose son Easton, a Tynes Elementary School recently-crowned Math champion, the elements of the barrel racing involve a lot of tactical skill as well as command of the horse's personality.

"Every horse is different just like every rider is different on top of the horse," said Daum, who had one of his five champion belt buckles on during the Maverick's event. "It takes a lot of riding just around a ranch to get the horse ready to do racing,



Generations of horse enthusiasts have kept the Clay Mavericks alive for area horse racers; from left, Paul Carney, Shari Carney, Robin Boyd, Tammy Hart, Linda Worthington, Tracey Dupont, and, above, David Roman.



The age range for riders at the Clay Mavericks arena goes from six to 60. Pictured is Brandi Geiger with horse BB, at the Clay Mavericks. Below right, horse Oakley takes a break with rider Ashley Generazio after a fast run.



Six year old Tess Ellington kicks up with Rooster in youth races.



then we come to small events to test them out, then we are ready to actually race. Takes about a year to get it all right."

Wroubel encouraged local high school athletes that find the sport interesting to visit the arena on a Saturday and see the athleticism involved in the sport.

"They can visit our Facebook page; Clay Mavericks, get some info and schedules of upcoming events," said Wroubel, who said she has been coming to the arena since she was two years old. "It's not as easy as it looks and involved a lot balance, strength and, more importantly, communication with the horse. Some people think you buy a fast horse and that's it, but one horse may not psync up with one rider, but can

actually do well with a different rider."

Wroubel, who recently qualified for the World Finals, noted that her brother, Ryan Worthington, a former football player in the area, won a junior world title with multiple riders from the arena also advancing to world final events.

"This event is a district qualifier for the World event in July in Perry, Georgia, which is massive," said Russell Daum, whose wife, Buffy, is also a rider in the family. "The races are so tight that the differences between first and fifth in the categories is seconds between 14 and 17 seconds. You see our clock is to three digits deep; 14.567. That's how close it is."

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Region 1-4A Track and Field

Oakleaf's Brown, Mitchell finish with top rankings

Linscomb: Second in javelin

Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

OAKLEAF - Oakleaf High senior track sprinter Evan Brown and senior shotputter Jordan Mitchell both finished with region top three rankings after a week of district track around Florida.

Area tracksters head to University of North Florida May 3-6 for a shot at the state meet next week also at UNF. The region 1-4A meet is Fri., May 5.

For the girls, sophomore javelin thrower Madison Linscomb is second ranked by just four feet with her 127'-9" toss. Oakleaf will be without distance ace Sierra



Senior sprinter Evan Brown has had a season full of sub-11 second 100 meters and is a top contender in the region 1-4A lineup with his 10.55 at districts.

Barrera, who qualified in 1600, but will be unable to compete at regions.

Mitchell, seventh last year at 51'-1.5", is ranked third with his best throw of the year; a 54'-2" put, putting him third-ranked behind a 55'-2" by Joseh Hanson of Niceville and a 54'-10" for second by Ocoee's Dylan Horne.

Brown, with a 10.55 split in one of the fastest and closest 100 meters in the state, is third ranked behind Christian Miller of Creekside; top seed at 10.36, and Amari Turner of Seminole, ranked second at 10.47.

Brown's 10.55 leads a flurry of top 10 finishers all under 10.75 at the finish line.

In the 200, Brown split at 21.65 to be seventh ranked for the region meet with Miller top seed in the event as well at 20.64. Turner joined Miller under 21 seconds at 20.89.

In the 110 hurdles, sophomore Ca'Mari Davis is sixth ranked with his 15.24 with Markel Jones of Lake Mary top of the list at 14.29. Four hurdlers are under 15 seconds.

Oakleaf's sprint prowess got a third in the 4 x 100 relay with Amarriion Grant, Devin Collins, Josber Stimpfil and Brown clocking in at 41.41 behind Seminole and Mandarin (41.09 and 41.11).

Stimpfil is second ranked in the long jump with a 22'-3.75" district jump with David Dennis of Wekiva tops at 22'-9.75".

Oakleaf had Kaymin Sales and Rayna Lawson at ninth and 10th ranked in the 100 and Keira Smalls eighth in the 100 hurdles while the 4 x 100 relay is third ranked with Smalls, Lawson, Nya Russell and Sales clocking 48.13 with Ocala Forest and Sandalwood at 1-2 at 47.92 and 47.94.



Orange Park got sterling performances in the hurdles; Timothy Barfield pictured, and relays; Jermel Brown handing off to Larry Thomas in the 4 x 100 relay, to be sending a strong contingency to regions this weekend.

Region 1-3A Track and Field

Eagles' distance crew, Raiders' jumpers capture region titles

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

ST. AUGUSTINE - Led by junior distance ace Graham Myers, the top region seed in the 3200 meters, the Fleming Island High boys track and field team will be a formidable squad at the region 1-3A track and field championships to be held at University of North Florida on Thurs., May 4.

For the girls in 3A, Fleming Island soccer ace and 800 meter runner Kaitlyn Scherer had her school record 2:20.13 get her a second rank for the event. Fleming Island's girls have three runners in the top 10 in the 800; Reese Scott and Brooke

Reynolds.

Fleming Island senior miler Katie Thompson is within seven seconds of a top seed in the 1600 with her 5:19.09 split behind a 1-2 by Ponte Vedra at the top.

One of the top freshman performances came from Fleming Island triple jumper Mikayla Shavers who is the top seed for the region with a 38'-11.75" leap putting her more than foot ahead of her chasers.

Orange Park shotputter Mychalea Parker, third in 2022, is top seed by two inches with her 37'-11.25" put ahead of Rickards' Jakarma Mitchell. Clay Highs dynamic shot put duo of Kenya Tinajero and Annalee Harbison are sixth and sev-



Orange Park hurdler Hope Carter has turned a strong cross country season into a strong 400 hurdles effort for 2023.

enth ranked with Harbison top ranked in discust by nearly four feet; 130'-4", ahead of Middleburg's Madison Underwood.

With Leon defending state cross country and 3200 track champion Patrick Koon concentrating on the 1600 with his top

region split of 4:14.54, Myers, second in Class 1A's 3200 last year as a runner for

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Left: Fleming Island defender Gabi Musa makes diving save of possible long score for Sandalwood. Sandalwood eventually scored on drive, but Fleming Island won 20-19 to advance and host region semifinal on Wed, May 4 against Pace. Right: Wide receiver Taylor Thompson is one of a handful of top pass catchers in Golden Eagle offense. Below: Megan Cobb locks in on Sandalwood ball carrier.

Flags

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handling the middle of the field passing attempts.

“We were not getting good grabs on their flags and they got a few extra yard plays after the initial catch,” said Lyons. “We will work on that because we got a little lucky that our pursuits were still running despite the missed pulls.”

Maddox would rip a 42 yard scoring run on the Golden Eagles next possession to up the score to 14-0 with a PAT to Allysa Langston and the game looked to be another 40-0 blowout by the high-octane Golden Eagle offense.

“We got a little lazy on defense with the quick scores and we can’t do that as we progress into the playoffs,” said Lyons.

Sandalwood answered in the second quarter with running back Kirsten Gudma-



lin ripped through the Fleming Island for a 25 yard pop just before the second quarter, but Sandalwood got hit on the next play with a hand guard on a pass play.

Musa saved a long touchdown pass and

run shot with a diving save on receiver Elizabeth Faulk who broke for 30 yards to the Fleming Island 18. Gudmalin would high step to the Fleming Island five yard line before a pass play got six inches from paydirt

for Sandalwood who would score on a one yard run by Chernahy Blue, then score again on a 15 yard scoring pass to end the half at 14-13 with a missed extra point.

In the third, Maddox caught the Sandalwood defense sleeping and Jenkins made a spectacular bobbling catch and run for a 50 yard scoring play to put Fleming Island up 20-13. Sandalwood was unwilling to go home and put together a long scoring drive that ended with a jump ball scoring pass on fourth down to Gudmalin to set up a game-tying PAT. With a stacked offensive front on the line of scrimmage looking to escort Purdy close enough to stretch in for the PAT, Musa broke behind the wall and nailed Gudmalin on a direct snap two yards away from the end zone to seal the game with 17 seconds on the clock.

“That took what our defense gave them and gave us a scare, but we held,” said Lyons.

Track

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St. Johns Country Day School at 9:26.84, will put his fast legs on the longer 3200 to try and get a gold medal to put next to his silver medal from last. Myers, at 9:33.80 to be the region top seed, finished second to Spartans teammate Matthew Stratton, now at the University of Florida, last year in Gainesville.

Myers also has teammate Jacob Campbell in the mix for a possible two medal effort for the Golden Eagles with Campbell sixth ranked with a 9:51.07.

In the 110 hurdles, Fleming Island also has two contenders in Brenden Cook, fifth at 15.31, and Enrico Montero, ninth at 16.02, with Mehki Dupree of Pensacola Washington on top with a fast 14.33.

Montero also is a top 10 in the 400 hurdles; seventh, with Orange Park’s Timothy Barfield fifth ranked at 56.92. Ponte Vedra’s Jarrell Jiminez is top seed at 55.81.

Myers, Montoya and John Keester IV and Roman Mollicone, third seed in the 800 with a 1:57, have Fleming Island set for another medal in one of their strongest events; the 4 x 800.

In the jumps, Ridgeview’s T’Vario Willis is ninth in the high jump with Fleming Is-



Orange Park quartermiler Keyleanna Henry pushes strong finish in 400 at districts to win race and earn a ninth ranking in region 1-3A.

land pole vaulter Gideon Gillespy seventh.

In long jump, Orange Park freshman Nethen Verger continues his strong season with a fifth seed at 21’-8.25 with a 23’-1.75” the top jump.

Clay long jumper Kenley Hilaire is right behind Verger at sixth at 21’-8”.

For Orange Park, Carlder Datilus is third-ranked in triple jump just four inches from the second seed with his 45’-6.25, but two feet from top seed Seth Stockton of Columbia, who hit 47’-4.25”. Datilus is 10th in long jump.

In the discus, Middleburg’s Wyatt Underwood, seventh in 2022, has been strong in his return from injury with fourth seed on a 144’-3” toss with Ladarius Jackson of Fleming Island fifth at 144’-2”. Ponte Vedra’s Nathan Lebowitz, the defending champion, hit an astounding 189’-2” to be top seed. For the Orange Park girls, hurdlers Aaliyah Abbasi in the 100 hurdles and Hope Carter in the 400 hurdles got top 10 ranks with fast times on a rainy track for their district meet; 16.27 and 1:09.79.

Orange Park’s Kayleanna Henry won

her 400 meter district title with a late surge in the final 100 meters to get a 1’01.01 and a ninth ranking.

In high jump, Gabrielle Flores is third ranked with teammate Madie Thompson sixth.

Region 1-3A Track and Field

Johnson third in 400 for SJCDs Spartans

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

ORANGE PARK - St. Johns Country Day School senior trackster Ava Johnson is the third seed in the 400 for the upcoming region 2-2A track and field championships to be held May 6 at Mount Dora Christian Academy.

Johnson, with a 1:10.66 split, finished 18th last year in Class 1A with a 1:02.94. Johnson also ran on the 10th-ranked 4 x 400 relay with the Lady Spartans eighth ranked in the 4 x 800.

In discus, junior Ashlyn Rose is fifth ranked with a 93’-9” toss.

For the boys, javelin thrower Thomas Pounds is ninth ranked with a 120’-11” throw.



Fleming Island linebacker Ryan Smenda was a disruptor for deep region playoff runs for Golden Eagles as well as five college bowl appearances, below, for Wake Forest University.

Smenda

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joined the Rams in 2017 after two seasons with the San Diego Chargers. Shula developed the Rams to be the top-ranked defensive unit in the NFL in 2020 with fewest points per game, passing yards per game and total yards per game, plus finishing second in the league with 53 sacks. The Rams won the Super Bowl in 2022 over Cincinnati and lost in 2019 to the New England Patriots.

“My kind of coach,” said Smenda. “When we talked, we talked more about my abilities to play defensive football rather than the Pro Day stats.”

Ironically, the Rams also drafted Wake Forest defensive lineman Kobie Turner, an honorable mention All-American by Pro Football Focus, as a third round, 89th overall pick to become just the sixth player to ever be chosen by the Rams. Wake Forest coach Dave Clawson has a record of eight defensive players drafted since he has arrived at Wake Forest and three defensive linemen.

On offense, Wake Forest wide receiver A.T. Perry was chosen as the 195th pick in the sixth round by the New Orleans Saints.

Smenda, an all state linebacker under coach Damenyum Springs while at Fleming Island and also an offensive threat as a pop in running back for the offense and the team’s punter, was one of the more prolific defensive players as a Demon Deacon on a program that has moved each year into “elite” status among the NCAA top teams.

“Being from Wake Forest was kind of fresh start as an NCAA power team in the last few years,” said Smenda, noting Wake Forest, since 2016, has the second-most wins in the ACC (Atlantic Coast Conference) and the second-most bowl appearances for the ACC. “People started to recognize the caliber of players we have had the past four or five years and, with “Boogie” Basham (2021 draftee Carlos Basham Jr, a second rounder for the Buffalo Bills as defensive tackle) going big last year, we have had more scouts and coaches taking closer looks at our players.”

At the March 29 Wake Forest Pro Day tryouts and evaluations, Wake Forest head football coach Dave Clawson noted, in an



article by Tony Siracusa at LastWordOnSports, that the Wake Forest product has grown immensely in the last five years of his nine years as Demon Deacon coach.

“I think our first year here, you know, we maybe had three NFL scouts here,” said Clawson, noting 28 NFL teams were on hand and one Canadian Football League coach. “These players (Smenda among the 11 on hand) have elevated the program. This is their reward. They get a lot more attention than when we didn’t win games.”

Smenda, though not drafted, was on a Zoom call with Rams linebackers coach Chris Shula (grandson to NFL legendary coach Don Shula) before getting his nod.

“Though I did well at the Pro Day physical fitness tests” 4.68 for 40 yards, 23 bench press reps at 225 pounds and a 9-foot-plus broad jump), I think the Rams liked my football knowledge in our interview more than those numbers,” said Smenda, in five seasons for Wake Forest (one extra for COVID), amassed 355 tackles with 24.5 tackles for losses of 85 yards and 4.5 sacks from his middle linebacker position. Smenda finished strong with 117 total tackles last year with 5.5 tackles for losses.

Smenda also noted that the Rams liked his size and athleticism.

“They were asking if I could come in at 240 pounds and I had just weighed at 238 just a week prior so that was a good thing,” said Smenda. “I reported May 12 to Los Angeles for camp and OTAs and we’ll see what happens from there.”

Smenda, reportedly, signed a three year contract with the Rams.

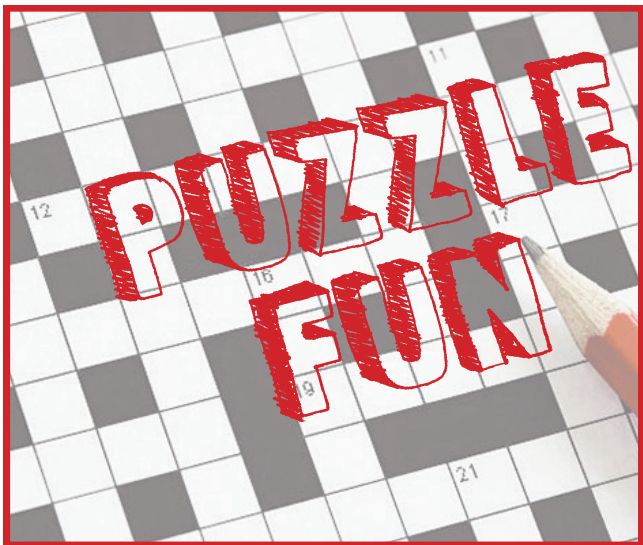
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Keystone Heights baseball coach Chris Roach has his Indians in prime playoff position with close 4-2 loss to Clay High last week.

Finale

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and 10 strikeouts, seemed tighter than a vault.

In the bottom of the third, Clay loaded the bases with one out. Austin Szala took the second pitch and drove it right up to the left field fence where Noah Branch made the catch for Keystone, but allowed Sean Alvers to score, 2-0 Clay. The Indian defense stopped any further scoring and would need to find a way to finally get something going in the batter's box.

Keystone's Chase Packham singled on a tricky fly caught by the wind to safely get onboard. After one out, it was a Clay mistake to open the door for Keystone with a grounder that went off target on the throw to first base, allowing Packham to score, 2-1.

Austin Musgrove, six hits, two runs, two walks and six strikeouts, continued to hold the fort down from the pitcher's mound as he went three up, three outs in the bottom of the fourth and fifth inning.

In the top of the sixth inning, Clay brought in Josh Rouw on the mound to relieve Roberts. With a quick two outs with one runner on base, it looked like Keystone may have to wait one more inning. That was until Chase Packham stole second, followed up with Austin Musgrove going into left field to score Packham, 2-2, where the score would stay through the end of regulation play.

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CRYPTO FUN

Determine the code to reveal the answer!

Solve the code to discover words related to building.
Each number corresponds to a letter.
(Hint: 18 = R)

- A. 16 11 15 7 13 18 22 16 13**

Clue: Build

- B. 6 17 13 8 18 14 17 5 7**

Clue: Supplies

- C. 7 22 25 8 18 12 14 7 8**

Clue: Manage

- D. 4 18 17 6 8**

Clue: Outer structure

Answers: A. construct B. materials C. supervise D. frame

WORD SCRAMBLE

Rearrange the letters to spell something pertaining to building.

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Answer: Hammer

Guess Who?

I am an actor born in Jersey on May 5, 1983. My first acting experience came in school plays, and I made my television debut in 2002. I am perhaps best known for my action roles, including a witcher and a man of steel.

Answer: Henry Cavill

CONSTRUCTION WORD SEARCH

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WORDS

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CLAY COUNTY LEGAL NOTICES

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

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 4TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE# 2023-DR-34
Division
Nayrobis Santiago Hernandez
Petitioner
and
Jeisson Alejandro Melgarejo-Chavez
Respondent.
TO: Jeisson Alejandro Melgarejo-Chavez
2992 Majestic Oaks Lane, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043
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 Nayrobis Santiago Hernandez whose address is 2992 Majestic Oaks Lane, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043, on or before June 5, 2023, and file the original with the clerk of this Court at 825 North Orange Ave, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043, 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.
Copies of all court documents in this case, including orders, are available at the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office. You may review these documents upon request.
You must keep the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office notified of your current address. (You may file Designation of Current mailing and E-Mail Address, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.915.) Future papers in

this lawsuit will be mailed or e-mailed to the addresses on record at the clerk's office.
WARNING: Rule 12.285, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure, requires certain automatic disclosure of documents and information. Failure to comply can result in sanctions, including dismissal or striking of pleadings.
Dated: April 21, 2023.
Tara S. Green
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
By: Rebecca Crews
Deputy Clerk

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REQUEST FOR BID NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN sealed bids will be received until 4:00 P.M., Thursday, June 01, 2023, for the following:
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NOTICE OF UNPAID DELINQUENT TANGIBLE PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES

As provided by Chapter 197.402 Florida Statutes, notice is hereby given that Tangible Personal Property taxes assessed for the calendar year 2022 are delinquent as of April 1, 2023 and are drawing interest at the rate of 18% per year. Unless these delinquent taxes are paid, warrants will be issued thereon pursuant to Chapter 197.413 Florida Statutes, and the Tax Collector shall petition the Circuit Court for an order directing levy upon and seizure of the assessed personal property or other personal property of the taxpayer for these unpaid taxes. The following amounts set forth include the unpaid tax, interest, collection fees and advertising charges. Interest accrues at 1 ½% per month hereon until payment is made.

/s/ DIANE HUTCHINGS, TAX COLLECTOR
CLAY COUNTY

1 00012-009 MILESTONE BEGINNINGS LLC 759 HILLCREST PLACE VALLEY STREAM, NY 11581 MILESTONE BEGINNINGS LLC	299.86	13 03844-000 CLAY AG FEED & FARM SUPPLY 4879 US HIGHWAY 17 S GREEN COVE SPRINGS, FL 32043-00 CLAY AG FEED & FARM SUPPLY	89.86	25 06279-042 FIRST COAST PODIATRIC SURGERY 1409 KINGSLEY AVE; STE 9G ORANGE PARK, FL 32073-0000 SEE TAX ROLL FOR ADDITIONAL LEGAL	1,219.90	37 09553-008 Institute for Health, Sports, S 1895 Kingsley Ave. Ste 1005 Orange Park, FL 32073-4410 SEE TAX ROLL FOR ADDITIONAL LEGAL	4,303.19	49 12439-000 FORTIS COLLEGE OF ORANGE PARK 700 BLANDING BLVD STE 16 ORANGE PARK, FL 32065-0000 FORTIS COLLEGE OF ORANGE PARK	13,720.79	61 14449-004 Park Village Apartments C/O Ryan LLC Atlanta, GA 30343 741 Park NM LLC	1,558.33	73 18440-201 Sweet Frogs 6100 GREENLAND RD STE 404 JACKSONVILLE, FL 32258 R & A Dream Enterprises	631.44
2 00519-075 AMERICAN GYPSY TATTO COMPANY 3275 US HWY 17 STE 3 GREEN COVE SPRINGS, FL 32043-00 AMERICAN GYPSY TATTO COMPANY	89.86	14 03846-090 CLAY PULMONARY SERVICES PA 1409 KINGSLEY AVE BLDG 3B ORANGE PARK, FL 32073-0000 CLAY PULMONARY SERVICES PA	147.84	26 06307-550 FLAGSHIP TATTO GALLERY 767 BLANDING BLVD STE 104 ORANGE PARK, FL 32065-0000 FLAGSHIP TATTO GALLERY	164.71	38 09768-600 JACKSONVILLE GRANITE 124 INDUSTRIAL LOOP W ORANGE PARK, FL 32073-0000 JACKSONVILLE GRANITE	3,041.76	50 12610-000 MIDDLETOWNE APARTMENTS 920 MAIN STREET STE 115 KANSAS CITY, MO 64105 Poah Middletown Apartments	227.29	62 14810-050 PERKINS POWER CORP ATTN: TRADEWINDS POWER CORP NOR DORAL, FL 33166-3313 TRADEWINDS POWER CORP NORTH	578.59	74 18591-000 TAX SERVICE CENTER 175 BLANDING BLVD #1 ORANGE PARK, FL 32073-0000	202.15
3 00742-400 ANGELA WHITE ARNP PLLC 5000-18 HIGHWAY 17 #44 FLEMING ISLAND, FL 32003 ANGELA WHITE ARNP PLLC	730.85	15 03936-000 ADVANCED LAWN TECHNOLOGIES LLC 2830 WATKINS RD. GREEN COVE SPRINGS, FL 32043-94 ADVANCED LAWN TECHNOLOGIES LLC	622.23	27 06442-041 Bronzaholic Tanning LLC 1560 BUSINESS CENTER DR. STE 6 Fleming Island, FL 32003 Bronzaholic Tanning LLC	496.98	39 10003-000 HILL AUTOMOTIVE INC 234-A INDUSTRIAL LOOP BLDG A ORANGE PARK, FL 32073-0000 HILL AUTOMOTIVE INC	141.48	51 12732-004 MODERN NAILS SALON & DAY SPA 1910 WELLS RD ORANGE PARK, FL 32073-0000 MODERN NAILS SALON & DAY SPA	946.28	63 15280-002 PREMIER SURFACE DESIGN LLC ATTN: CHRISTOPHER BISHOP 991 BU GREEN COVE SPRINGS, FL 32043 PREMIER SURFACE DESIGN LLC	10,438.59	75 18785-001 THOMAS ELECTRIC COMPANY, INC. 8228 RIVERS RD. ST. AUGUSTINE, FL 32092-2206 THOMAS ELECTRIC COMPANY, INC.	5,064.41
4 00862-001 AAOO SERVICES LLC 4219 CLOVE STREET MIDDLEBURG, FL 32068 AAOO SERVICES LLC	149.44	16 04314-001 CORNER POCKET, THE 3714 GLYNN COTTAGE COURT GREEN COVE SPRINGS, FL 32043-00 JBNC ENTERTAINMENT INC	395.42	28 06540-016 Florida Pain Specialists, PLLC 393 CLEARWATER DR PONTE VEDRA BEACH, FL 32082 Florida Pain Specialist PLLC	450.56	40 10252-010 KFC82 ATTN: TASTY RESTAURANT GROUP ORANGE PARK, FL 32073 TASTY RESTAURANT GROUP	3,390.98	52 13507-250 NAILS KUTE & SPA INC 4685 HIGHWAY 17 STE 1 FLEMING ISLAND, FL 32003 NAILS KUTE & SPA INC	207.04	64 15577-000 RAMONE'S LANDSCAPING CORP 5388 Highway 17 GREEN COVE SPRINGS, FL 32043-00 RAMONE'S LANDSCAPING CORP	2,892.83	76 19290-375 TUNIS SEAFOOD WINGS SUBS 290 BLANDING BLVD ORANGE PARK, FL 32073-0000 AD&K EATS LLC	1,877.60
5 01504-001 BFF PETS, INC. 1910 WELLS RD. STE C08A ORANGE PARK, FL 32073-0000 BFF PETS, INC.	1,618.94	17 04710-000 DALTONS SPORTS GRILL INC 50 FEATHER LANE MIDDLEBURG, FL 32068-0000 DALTONS SPORTS GRILL INC	194.56	29 06572-001 MCHEENY'S SPORTS PUB ATTN: BB&A OF KEYSTONE, INC MIDDLEBURG, FL 32068 BB&A OF KEYSTONE, INC	2,948.57	41 10410-500 KENNY LEIGH PA 414 OLD HARD RD; STE 201 FLEMING ISLAND, FL 32003-3408 KENNY LEIGH PA	651.75	53 13519-000 NORTHEAST FLORIDA SERVICES COR 184 INDUSTRIAL LOOP ORANGE PARK, FL 32073-0000 U.S. LAWNS JACKSONVILLE WEST	579.36	65 15860-000 RIP IT UP FLOORING INC 3698 RED HAWK CT GREEN COVE SPRINGS, FL 32043-80 RIP IT UP FLOORING INC	737.67	77 19622-090 VITOS PIZZERIA 1101 BLANDING BLVD STE 112 ORANGE PARK, FL 32065-0000 VITOS PIZZERIA	713.47
6 01575-001 PARK AT BLANDING LLC C/O TORO REAL ESTATE PARTNERS L JERICHO, NY 11753-3110 PARK AT BLANDING LLC	35,868.90	18 04913-100 DELL MARINE, LLC 5137 ARLINGTON RD. JACKSONVILLE, FL 32211-0000 DELL MARINE, LLC	3,779.11	30 06846-001 FREEDOM FITNESS 2761 BLANDING BLVD MIDDLEBURG, FL 32068 FREEDOM FITNESS	2,841.30	42 10495-050 KEYSTONE DENTAL CARE ATTN: TODD D. SHOCKLEY DMD: PA KEYSTONE HEIGHTS, FL 32656-0000 KEYSTONE DENTAL CARE	51.00	54 13603-000 NOW AND THEN ANTIQUES 420 College Dr. 104 Middleburg, FL 32068-0000	43.06	66 16550-976 SAIGON WOK, LLC 1810 TOWN CENTER BLVD. STE 5 FLEMING ISLAND, FL 32003-0000 SAIGON WOK, LLC	92.06	78 20009-995 SANDY PAWS ANIMAL HOSPITAL ATTN: DR. MICHELLE SANDS ORANGE PARK, FL 32073-2951 SANDY PAWS ANIMAL HOSPITAL	4,188.52
7 01744-002 BEST COFFEE COMPANY, THE 132 Waterway Dr Satsuma, FL 32189-2152 BEST COFFEE COMPANY, THE	29.78	19 05174-807 DREAM FINDERS HOMES LLC 14701 PHILLIPS HWY JACKSONVILLE, FL 32256-3727	334.91	31 08168-000 SIGNATURE HEALTHCARE OF OP 12201 BLUEGRASS PKWY LOUISVILLE, KY 40299-2351 SEE TAX ROLL FOR ADDITIONAL LEGAL	5,245.74	43 10662-000 FOX MEADOWS LEARNING CENTER 3227 OLD JENNING RD MIDDLEBURG, FL 32068-0000 FOX MEADOWS LEARNING CENTER	246.72	55 13620-001 NUCO2 SUPPLY LLC 10 RIVERVIEW DR DANBURY, CT 06810-0000 NUCO2 SUPPLY LLC	2,172.55	67 17125-000 SLAY'S RESTORATION 100 INDUSTRIAL LOOP N ORANGE PARK, FL 32073-0000	235.11	79 20254-300 WILL TODD BARBERSHOP LLC 3650 F CRESWICK CIR ORANGE PARK, FL 32065 WILL TODD BARBERSHOP LLC	452.27
8 02094-062 BONO'S PIT BAR-B-Q 2640 BLANDING BLVD STE 211 MIDDLEBURG, FL 32068-0000 BONO'S PIT BAR-B-Q	1,570.50	20 05188-000 DS FRAMING, INC 165 HORSETAIL AVENUE MIDDLEBURG, FL 32068-0000 DS FRAMING, INC	78.52	32 08168-001 SIGNATURE HEALTHCARE OF Middleb 303 INTERNATIONAL CIRCLE STE 20 HUNT VALLEY, MD 21030 SEE TAX ROLL FOR ADDITIONAL LEGAL	1,802.99	44 11034-002 LA NOPALERA MEXICAN RESTAURANT 8; INC. ORANGE PARK, FL 32003-4934 SEE TAX ROLL FOR ADDITIONAL LEGAL	41.04	57 13620-003 NUCO2 SUPPLY LLC 10 RIVERVIEW DR DANBURY, CT 06810-0000 NUCO2 SUPPLY LLC	121.25	68 17541-000 SOUTHERN DISCOUNT HARDWARE INC 2620 BLANDING BLVD 20 MIDDLEBURG, FL 32068-0000 SOUTHERN DISCOUNT HARDWARE INC	846.34	80 20679-000 WORKOUT ANYTIME ATTN: CARL BOOTHBY 1339 BLANDIN ORANGE PARK, FL 32065 CRBE ENTERPRISE, INC.	4,736.64
9 02250-000 BREWERS PIZZA INC 14 BLANDING BLVD STE B ORANGE PARK, FL 32073-0000	1,358.69	21 05697-500 ENHANCED RECOVERY CORPO- RATION 8014 BAYBERRY RD JACKSONVILLE, FL 32256-7412 ENHANCED RECOVERY CORPO- RATION	3,220.42	33 08455-000 HARRINGTON, JOHN J.-D.D.S. 1584 KINGSLEY AVE. SUITE A ORANGE PARK, FL 32073-4511 HARRINGTON, JOHN J.-D.D.S.	5,302.13	45 11170-903 LAPELS DRY CLEANING ATTN NEXT STEP FRANCHISING INC NAPLES, FL 34102 ANIL HOLDINGS	516.71	58 13620-004 NUCO2 SUPPLY LLC 10 RIVERVIEW DR DANBURY, CT 06810-0000 NUCO2 SUPPLY LLC	190.64	69 17876-700 STAKEM, THOMAS-DDS, MD, PA 7175-01 US HWY 17 FLEMING ISLAND, FL 32003-9318 STAKEM, THOMAS-DDS, MD, PA	83.79	82 44000-082 HOUSEHOLDER ANTHONY 3981 N KENTUCKY AVE GREEN COVE SPRINGS, FL 32043-00	99.56
10 02812-400 CANTERFIELD OF JACKSONVILLE LLC 4488 N SHALLOWFORD RD STE 103 ATLANTA, GA 30338-0000 CANTERFIELD OF JACKSONVILLE LLC	13,984.56	22 05939-050 FAMILY CARE PARTNERS OF NE FL 6484 FORT CAROLINE RD JACKSONVILLE, FL 32277-0000 FAMILY CARE PARTNERS OF NE FL	1,199.40	34 08620-000 ORANGE PARK FL OPKO LLC 570 WELLS RD. ORANGE PARK, FL 32073-2999 ORANGE PARK FL OPKO LLC	9,265.93	46 11263-002 LEAN IMPACT NUTRITION INC ATTN: ZACHARIAH ELKINS 1622 HAW FLEMING ISLAND, FL 32003 LEAN IMPACT NUTRITION INC	1,514.13	59 13713-075 OLD TIME POTTERY PO. BOX 1838 MURFREESBORO, TN 37133-1838 OLD TIME POTTERY	15,310.89	70 18286-020 SUBWAY SANDWICHES ATTN: CHAPPACK ENTERPRISES, LLC ORANGE PARK, FL 32073 CHAPPACK ENTERPRISES LLC	1,086.00	83 44000-376 VENTISIAS CHRISTOPHER PAUL 2868 SPRING DR MIDDLEBURG, FL 32068-0000	360.03
11 03311-050 CERCY CONSTRUCTION INC. 4019 CLIFFORD LN MIDDLEBURG, FL 32068-7108 CERCY CONSTRUCTION INC.	749.60	23 06274-000 FIRST COAST CARDIOVASCULAR PO BOX 551308 JACKSONVILLE, FL 32255-1308 SEE TAX ROLL FOR ADDITIONAL LEGAL	2,629.85	35 09133-005 HUNGRY HOWIE'S 810 N ORANGE AVE #3 GREEN COVE SPRINGS, FL 32043-00 HUNGRY HOWIE'S	765.61	47 11481-100 EVANS CONTRACTING SERVICES INC 320 FOXTAIL AVENUE MIDDLEBURG, FL 32068-4727 EVANS CONTRACTING SERVICES INC	3,232.94	60 13770-000 OP FISH HOUSE & OYSTER BAR LLC 333 San Pablo Rd. N Jacksonville, FL 32225-0000 OP FISH HOUSE & OYSTER BAR LLC	2,012.04	71 18286-028 CHAPPACK ENTERPRISES, LLC 293 FAWN RIDGE LN. ORANGE PARK, FL 32073 CHAPPACK ENTERPRISES LLC	1,077.84	72 18414-300 SURGCENTER OF ORANGE PARK LLC 14400 METCALF AVENUE OVERLAND PARK, KS 66223-0000 SURGCENTER OF ORANGE PARK LLC	7,568.88
12 03330-030 CHARLOTTE RUSSE #86 660 N Central EXPY Ste 240 Plano, TX 75074-6869 CHARLOTTE RUSSE #86	446.96	24 06276-016 FL 1 UT LLC 4747 Williams Dr, Georgetown, TX 78633 FL 1 UT LLC	4,531.80	36 09448-020 Lamis & Tony Inc ATTN: Al Morie, Feras Jacksonville, FL 32256 Lamis & Tony Inc.	786.16	48 12200-01 MCDONALDS #11121 892 EBB TIDE DRIVE FLEMING ISLAND, FL 32003-0000 KASSIDY MANAGEMENT LLC	4,690.70						

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CLAY COUNTY LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

BURGART ENTERPRISES TOWING INC. gives notice that on 05/19/2023 at 12:00 PM the following vehicles(s) may be sold by public sale at 4360 CR 218 MID-LEBURG, FL 32068 to satisfy the lien for the amount owed on each vehicle for any recovery, towing, or storage services charges and administrative fees allowed pursuant to Florida statute 713.78. 3MVDMBDL3LM103936 2020 MAZD JS1VS55A562116722 2006 SUZ

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FICTITIOUS NAME

Notice Under Fictitious Name Law Pursuant to Section 865.09, Florida Statutes NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of **ZAFA ENTERPRISE** located at 4774 Sedge Street, in the County of Clay, in the City of Middleburg, Florida 32068 intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida. Dated at Fleming Island, Florida, this 25th day of April 2023. BODHI FURMAN

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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

ORDINANCE NO. O-15-2023
AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GREEN COVE SPRINGS, FLORIDA, ESTABLISHING A REDEVELOPMENT TRUST FUND; PROVIDING FOR THE FUNDING OF A REDEVELOPMENT TRUST FUND FOR COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT WITHIN THE GREEN COVE SPRINGS COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AREA; PROVIDING FOR ADMINISTRATION OF THE REDEVELOPMENT TRUST FUND; DETERMINING THE INCREMENT REVENUE TO BE DEPOSITED IN THE REDEVELOPMENT TRUST FUND; ESTABLISHING THE BASE YEAR FOR DETERMINING ASSESSED VALUES OF PROPERTY IN THE COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AREA FOR INCREMENT REVENUE PURPOSES; PROVIDING FOR THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS OF THE INCREMENT REVENUE BY TAXING AUTHORITIES IN THE COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AREA; APPOINTING THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE GREEN COVE SPRINGS COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY AS THE TRUSTEE OF THE REDEVELOPMENT

NOTICE OF UNPAID DELINQUENT CENTRALLY ASSESSED PROPERTY TAXES

As provided by Chapter 197.016, Acts of 1972, notice is hereby given that Centrally Assessed Property Taxes for the calendar year 2022 are delinquent as of April 1, 2023 and are drawing interest at the rate of 1.5% per month plus the cost of advertising and collection. Unless these delinquent taxes are paid by May 31, 2023, warrants may be issued thereon and the Tax Collector shall petition the Circuit Court for an order directing levy upon and seizure of the centrally assessed property of the taxpayers for these unpaid taxes.

/s/ DIANE HUTCHINGS, TAX COLLECTOR
CLAY COUNTY

1 30978-001 386.86
CEMEX INC
ATTN: PROPERTY TAX DEPARTMENT
WEST PALM BEACH, FL 33402-0000
CEMEX INC

2 30978-002 39.39
CEMEX INC
ATTN: PROPERTY TAX DEPARTMENT
WEST PALM BEACH, FL 33402-0000
CEMEX INC

3 30978-004 46.78
CEMEX INC
ATTN: PROPERTY TAX DEPARTMENT
WEST PALM BEACH, FL 33402-0000
CEMEX INC

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TRUST FUND; AND PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS, SEVERABILITY AND SETTING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

The following public hearing has been scheduled and will be held in the City Council Chambers, 321 Walnut Street, Green Cove Springs, to hear comments, if any, regarding said Ordinance: City Council: Tuesday, June 6, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. or shortly thereafter Please be advised that if a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Council with respect to any matter considered at these scheduled public hearings, they will need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person needing a special accommodation to participate in this matter should contact City Hall at (904) 297-7500 at least three (3) days prior to the meeting. Hearing impaired persons may access through Florida Relay – Dial 7-1-1. Said Ordinance is available at City Hall for review during the hours of 7:30 AM to 5:00 PM, Monday through Thursday. All interested individuals are invited to attend this public hearing. City of Green Cove Springs Lyndie Knowles, Development Services Representative 321 Walnut Street Green Cove Springs, FL 32043 Steve Kennedy, City Manager

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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

ORDINANCE NO. O-16-2023
AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF GREEN COVE SPRINGS, FLORIDA AUTHORIZING THE CONVEYANCE OF CITY OWNED REAL PROPERTY GENERALLY DESCRIBED AS A 21.3 ACRE TRACT OF LAND IN THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF PARCEL ID #016515-02-002-00, ADJACENT TO THE CSX RAILROAD, PURSUANT TO SECTION 2.12 (7) OF THE CITY CHARTER; PRESCRIBING THAT THE PRECISE TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR THE CONVEYANCE WILL BE CONTAINED IN A SUBSEQUENT RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL; PROVIDING REPEALER, SEVERABILITY, AND SETTING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

The following public hearing has been scheduled and will be held in the City Council Chambers, 321 Walnut Street, Green Cove Springs, to hear comments, if any, regarding said Ordinance: City Council: Tuesday, May 16, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. or shortly thereafter; Please be advised that if a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Council with respect to any matter considered at these scheduled public hearings, they will need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person needing a special accommodation to participate in this matter should contact City Hall at (904) 297-7500 at least three (3) days prior to the meeting. Hearing impaired persons may access through Florida Relay – Dial 7-1-1. Said Ordinance is available at City Hall for review during the hours of 7:30 AM to 5:00 PM, Monday through Thursday. All interested individuals are invited to attend this public hearing. City of Green Cove Springs Lyndie Knowles, Development Services Representative 321 Walnut Street Green Cove Springs, FL 32043 Steve Kennedy, City Manager

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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

RESOLUTION NO. R-06-2023
A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF GREEN COVE SPRINGS, FLORIDA, RELATING TO COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT; MAKING FINDINGS; AMENDING AND RE-ADOPTING A COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT PLAN; REPEALING RESOLUTIONS IN CONFLICT HERewith; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

The following public hearing has been scheduled and will be held in the City Council Chambers, 321 Walnut Street, Green Cove Springs, to hear comments, if any, regarding said Resolution: City Council: Tuesday, May 16, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. or shortly thereafter; Please be advised that if a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Council with respect to any matter considered at these scheduled public hearings, they will need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person needing a special accommodation to participate in this matter should contact City Hall at (904) 297-7500 at least three (3) days prior to the meeting. Hearing impaired persons may access through Florida Relay – Dial 7-1-1. Said Ordinance is available at City Hall for review during the hours of 7:30 AM to 5:00 PM, Monday through Thursday. All interested individuals are invited to attend this public hearing. City of Green Cove Springs Lyndie Knowles, Development Services Representative

321 Walnut Street
Green Cove Springs, FL 32043
Steve Kennedy, City Manager

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TWO CREEKS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT NOTICE OF REGULAR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Supervisors ("Board") of the Two Creeks Community Development District ("District") will hold a regular meeting on **May 24, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.**, at the at the Courtyard by Marriott located at 610 Wells Road, Orange Park, Florida 32073. A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting the District Manager, c/o Rizzetta & Company, Inc, 3434 Colwell Avenue, Suite 200, Tampa, FL 33614 ("District Manager's Office") on the District's website www.twocreeksdcd.org or by emailing the District Manager at CLBrown@rizzetta.com and/or by telephoning 904-436-6270 during normal business hours. The meetings are open to the public and will be conducted in accordance with the provisions of Florida law for community development districts. The meetings may be continued to a date, time, and place to be specified on the record at such meeting.

There may be occasions when one or more Supervisors or staff will participate by telephone. Pursuant to provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations at this meeting because of a disability or physical impairment should contact the District Office at (904) 436-6270 at least 48 hours prior to the meeting. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the Florida Relay Service by dialing 7-1-1, or 1-800-955-8771 (TTY) / 1-800-955-8770 (Voice), for aid in contacting the District Office.

A person who decides to appeal any decision made at the meeting with respect to any matter considered at the meeting is advised that person will need a record of the proceedings and that accordingly, the person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, including the testimony and evidence upon which such appeal is to be based. Carol L. Brown District Manager

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PUBLIC AUCTION

Sale Date: May 16, 2023 at 8:00 a.m.
Location: 4225 CR 218, Middleburg, Florida
Vehicle: 1997 CHEV
VIN# 1GCEC19M6VE197548

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FICTITIOUS NAME

Notice Under Fictitious Name Law Pursuant to Section 865.09, Florida Statutes NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of **Best Baths** located at 2418 Southern Links Drive, in the County of Clay, in the City of Fleming Island, Florida 32003 intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida. Dated at Fleming Island, Florida, this 24th day of April 2023. LOADCO LLC

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PUBLIC SALE

SCOTT'S AFFORDABLE TOWING INC gives Notice to sell the following vehicles for towing and storage lien on May 18, 2023, at 10:00 AM at 2909 BLANDING BLVD MIDDLEBURG, FL 32068, pursuant to subsection 713.78 of the Florida Statutes. 2000 Ford ID# 1FTRX17L6YNA86843 2014 Nissan ID# 1N4AA5AP1EC485500 2014 Ford ID# 1FTFW1ET3EFA62529

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PUBLIC AUCTION

The following vehicles will be sold at public auction for towing and storage costs at Horton's Towing 3645 Hwy 17, Bldg. 2, Fleming Island, FL 32003 Horton's Towing reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all bids. Auction date - 5/18/2023, 9:00 a.m. 2000 Dodge VIN# 1B4HR28Y8YF266435 Auction date - 5/18/2023, 9:00 a.m. 2005 Ford VIN# 1FAPF34N45W121086 Auction date - 5/25/2023, 9:00 a.m. 2019 Toyota VIN# 5YFBUHRE1KP897114 Auction date - 5/25/2023, 9:00 a.m. 2017 Mazda VIN# JM1GL1V58H1149116

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NOTICE OF SALE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO.: 2022-CA-000179 BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., Plaintiff,

vs. STEVEN L. MATHIS; et al., Defendants. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, pursuant to the Final Summary Judgment of Foreclosure entered on April 21, 2023 in the above-captioned action, the following property situated in Clay County, Florida, described as: **LOT 44, SAVANNAH GLEN, UNIT 3, ACCORDING TO PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 33, PAGES 63, 64, 65 AND 66 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA. Property Address: 551 Bayhawk Court, Orange Park, FL 32073** Shall be sold by the Clerk of Court, **TARA S. GREEN, on the 5th day of June, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. ON-LINE at www.clay.realforeclose.com**, to the highest bidder, for cash, after giving notice as required by section 45.031, Florida Statutes.

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. The Court, in its discretion, may enlarge the time of the sale. Notice of the changed time of sale shall be published as provided herein.

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator at crtntrp@coj.net or (904) 630-2564 at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

WITNESS my hand and seal of this court on April 27, 2023. TARA S. GREEN Clerk of the Circuit Court BY: Jennifer Brosky Deputy Clerk

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Notice is hereby given that on 05/25/2023 at 10:00 AM the following vehicles(s) may be sold at public sale at 2175 KINGSLEY AVE, 215 ORANGE PARK, FL 32073 for the amount owed on each vehicle to satisfy the lien for repairs, services and storage charges and any administrative fees allowed pursuant to Florida Statute 713.585. 1J4FJ68SXWL233286 1998 JEE 824.00

The name, address and telephone number and public sale location of the repair shop claiming the lien for unpaid charges is: Lienor Name: MILLER'S AUTOMOTIVE, INC.

Lienor Address: 2175 KINGSLEY AVE STE 215, ORANGE PARK, FL 32073-5118

Lienor Telephone #: 904-213-1180 MV License #: [COMPANY_MV_LICENSE]

Location of Vehicles: 2175 KINGSLEY AVENUE, ORANGE PARK, FL 32073 The customer or person claiming an interest, or a lien may redeem the vehicle by satisfying the amount due in cash on or before the sale date and time. The customer or person claiming an interest in or lien on a vehicle may file a demand for a hearing with the Clerk of Court in the CLAY County where the vehicle is held to determine whether the vehicle has been wrongfully taken or withheld from him or her. At any time before the date of sale a customer or person of record claiming a lien on the vehicle may post a cash or surety bond in the amount stated on the invoice with the Clerk of Circuit Court where the disputed transaction occurred.

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PUBLIC AUCTION

On 05/13/2023 at 00:00 AM an auction will take place at 1046 airpark rd green cove springs fl 32043. The vehicles which will be auctioned include: 5XXGM4A72DG143705

2012 KIA 3C4FY48B33T509314 2002 CHRYSLER

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Meeting Date of the Clay County Utility Authority

Pursuant to F.S. 286.011(8)(d), be advised that Wendell Davis, David Gardella, Daniel Hodges, Anna Lebesch, Michael McNeese, Darin Roark, and James Starnieri, sitting as duly constituted BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE CLAY COUNTY UTILITY AUTHORITY, and Jeremy Johnston, as the EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR of the Authority will meet in attorney-client session, outside of the sunshine, with Grady H. Williams, Jr., Esquire, Henry G. Bachara, Jr., Esquire, and Todd MacLeod as LEGAL COUNSEL to the Authority, at

2:30 P.M. on Tuesday, May 16, 2023, or as soon thereafter as such matter may be heard during a recess of the regular meeting of the Authority on said date, in the Board Room, at the Ray O. Avery Administrative Complex, 3176 Old Jennings Road, Middleburg, Florida. The subject matter of the meeting shall be confined to settlement negotiations or strategy sessions related to litigation expenditures associated with the litigation styled Clay County Utility Authority, Plaintiff, v. Beach Construction Company, Inc., an inactive Florida corporation, DRMP, Inc., a Florida corporation, f/k/a Dyer, Riddle, Mills and Precourt, Inc., and William T. Smoot, P.E., an individual, Defendants, Case No.: 10-2019-CA- 001372-CA-AXXX, pending before the Circuit Court of the Fourth Judicial Circuit in and for Clay County, Florida. A court reporter shall also be present at said attorney-client session and shall record the entire attorney-client session as required by F.S. 286.011(8)(c). This attorney-client session is estimated to require approximately 120 minutes of time, and the official transcript thereof shall be made part of the public record upon completion of the aforementioned litigation. For further information, call (904) 213-2464.

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Meeting Dates of the Clay County Utility Authority

The Board of Supervisors of the Clay County Utility Authority will meet in Regular Session at 2:00 P.M. on Tuesday, May 16, 2023, in the Board Room at the Clay County Utility Authority, 3176 Old Jennings Road, Middleburg, Florida.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person needing a special accommodation to participate in this matter, should contact the Clay County Utility Authority by mail at 3176 Old Jennings Road, Middleburg, Florida 32068 or by telephone at (904) 213-2464, no later than 7 days prior to the hearing or proceeding for which this notice has been given. Persons requiring auditory assistance may access the foregoing telephone number by contacting the Florida Relay Service at 1-800-955-8770 (Voice) or 1-800-955-8771 (TDD).

If any person intends to appeal any decision related to this action, such person will need to provide a court reporter at such person's own expense, for a transcript of the proceedings. All interested persons are invited to attend. For further information, call (904) 213-2464.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Clay County Towing gives notice of lien and intent to sell the following vehicles at 2864 Blanding Blvd, Middleburg, FL 32068 at date and time listed below. CLAY COUNTY TOWING AUCTION: MAY 26, 2023, AT 10:00 AM 2006 STRN Vin # 5GZCZ53426S81131 Pursuant to subsection 713-78 of the FL Statute, Clay County Towing reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.

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NOTICE AND ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA GENERAL CIVIL DIVISION B CASE NO: 2023-CA-000979 CROSS CREEK NORTH COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT, a local unit of special-purpose government organized and existing under the laws of the State of Florida, Plaintiff,

v. THE STATE OF FLORIDA, AND THE TAXPAYERS, PROPERTY OWNERS AND CITIZENS OF CROSS CREEK NORTH COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT, INCLUDING NON-RESIDENTS OWNING PROPERTY OR SUBJECT TO TAXATION THEREIN, AND OTHERS HAVING OR CLAIMING ANY RIGHTS, TITLE OR INTEREST IN PROPERTY TO BE AFFECTED BY THE ISSUANCE OF THE BONDS HEREIN DESCRIBED, OR TO BE AFFECTED IN ANY WAY THEREBY, Defendants.

TO THE STATE OF FLORIDA, AND THE TAXPAYERS, PROPERTY OWNERS AND CITIZENS OF CROSS CREEK NORTH COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT, INCLUDING NON-RESIDENTS OWNING PROPERTY OR SUBJECT TO TAXATION THEREIN, AND OTHERS HAVING OR CLAIMING ANY RIGHTS, TITLE OR INTEREST IN PROPERTY TO BE AFFECTED BY THE ISSUANCE OF THE BONDS HEREIN DESCRIBED, OR TO BE AFFECTED IN ANY WAY THEREBY: Cross Creek North Community Development District (the "District") having filed its Complaint for Validation of not to exceed \$10,000,000 Cross Creek North Community Development District Special Assessment Revenue Bonds, in one or more series (the "Bonds"), and it appearing in and from said Complaint and the Exhibits attached thereto that the District has adopted a resolution authorizing the issuance of the Bonds for the purpose of providing funds, together with other available funds, for paying the costs of plan-

ning, financing, acquiring, constructing, reconstructing, equipping and installing improvements as part of its Project (as defined in said Complaint), and it also appearing that all of the facts required to be stated by said Complaint and the Exhibits by Chapter 75, Florida Statutes, are contained therein, and that the District prays that this Court issue an order as directed by said Chapter 75, and the Court being fully advised in the premises:

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that all taxpayers, property owners and citizens of the District, including non-residents owning property or subject to taxation, and others having or claiming any rights, title or interest in property to be affected by the issuance of the Bonds or to be affected in any way thereby, and the State of Florida, through the State Attorney of the Fourth Judicial Circuit, in and for Clay County, Florida (the "Parties"), appear on **May 31, 2023, at 10:30 a.m.** before the Honorable Don H. Lester via **Zoom Application (invitation below)**, this hearing shall be conducted by video conference, and show cause, if any there be, why the prayers of said Complaint for the validation of the Bonds should not be granted and the Bonds, the proceedings therefore, and other matters set forth in said Complaint, should not be validated as prayed for in said Complaint. The parties and public may access the hearing via their computer at the following ZOOM link: <https://zoom.us/j/7793110365> Meeting ID: 779 311 0365

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that prior to the date set for the hearing on said Complaint for validation, the Clerk of this Court shall cause a copy of this Notice and Order to be published in a newspaper published and of generally circulation in Clay County, being the County wherein said Complaint for validation is filed, at least once each week for two (2) consecutive weeks, commencing with the first publication which shall not be less than twenty (20) days prior to the date set for said hearing.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that by such publication of this Notice and Order, the State of Florida, and the several taxpayers, property owners and citizens of the District, including non-residents owning property or subject to taxation therein, and others having or claiming any rights, title or interest in property to be affected by the issuance of the Bonds, or to be affected in any way thereby, shall be and are made party defendants to this proceeding, and that this Court shall have jurisdiction of them to the same extent as if specifically and personally named as defendants in said Complaint and personally served with process in this cause.

DONE AND ORDERED in Clay County, Florida this 25th day of April, 2023. The Honorable Don H. Lester Circuit Court Judge Copies furnished via E-Portal to: Katie Buchanan katie.buchanan@kutakrock.com Sheila Loizos sloizos@coj.net

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO: 10-2023-CP-000142 DIVISION: A PROBATE DIVISION IN RE: ESTATE OF JERRY LEE STEPP, Deceased.

The administration of the estate of Jerry Lee Stepp, deceased, whose date of death was February 9, 2023, is pending in the Circuit Court for Clay County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 825 N. Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

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

All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE. ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN FLORIDA STATUTES SECTION 733.702 WILL BE FOREVER BARRED. NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED. The date of first publication of this notice is May 4, 2023.

Attorney for Personal Representative: Felicia A. Wilcox, Esq. Florida Bar Number: 0088854 Law Office of Felicia Wilcox, P.A. 301 W. Bay Street, Suite 1486 Jacksonville, FL 32202 Telephone: (904) 329-7265 Facsimile: (904) 212-5719 E-Mail: felicia@wilcoxlawpractice.com Personal Representative: Jerol D. Stepp 5315 Razor Back Court Middleburg, Florida 32068

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CLAY COUNTY LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF SALE

IN THE CIRCUIT CIVIL COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, CIVIL DIVISION Case No. 10-2022-CA-000827 Division FIFTH THIRD BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION Plaintiff, vs.

JOSEPH DAUGHERTY A/K/A JOSEPH MICHAEL DAUGHERTY, UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF JOSEPH DAUGHERTY A/K/A JOSEPH MICHAEL DAUGHERTY, CAMBRIDGE MARKETING, LLC, F/K/A CAMBRIDGE LENDING, LLC, AND UNKNOWN TENANTS/OWNERS, Defendants.

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to Final Judgment of Foreclosure for Plaintiff entered in this cause on April 17, 2023, in the Circuit Court of Clay County, Florida, TARA S. GREEN, Clerk of the Circuit Court, will sell the property situated in Clay County, Florida described as: LOT 10, BLOCK 23, BELLAIR UNIT 3, AS PER PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 6, PAGE 64 AND 65 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

and commonly known as: 396 BONNLYN DRIVE, ORANGE PARK, FL 32073; including the building, appurtenances, and fixtures located therein, at public sale, to the highest and best bidder, for cash, online at www.clay.realforeclose.com, on August 17, 2023 at 10:00 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 25th day of April, 2023.

Clerk of the Circuit Court
TARA S. GREEN
By: Leigh Lucroy
Deputy Clerk

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FICTITIOUS NAME

Notice Under Fictitious Name Law Pursuant to Section 865.09, Florida Statutes NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of **J.S. Pressure Washing** located at 309 Gano Ave, in the County of Clay, in the City of Orange Park, Florida 32073 intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida.

Dated at Orange Park, Florida, this 24th day of April 2023.
Justin R. Smith

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PUBLIC AUCTION

Extra Space Storage will hold a public auction to sell personal property described below belonging to those individuals listed below at the location indicated: 4653 US 17, Fleming Island, FL 32003 May 30, 2023, at 10:00am Shawna Michelle Edmiston 3 beds dressers tv stand boxes The auction will be listed and advertised on www.storage-treasures.com. Purchases must be made with cash only and paid at the above referenced facility in order to complete the transaction. Extra Space Storage may refuse any bid and may rescind any purchase up until the winning bidder takes possession of the personal property.

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NOTICE OF ACTION

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION CASE NO. 2022CA001192 BROKER SOLUTIONS INC. DBA NEW AMERICAN FUNDING, Plaintiff,

vs. CLAYTON ELTON NIXON, et al., Defendants. To: MICHELLE NIXON, 2518 MARIGOLD AVE, MIDDLEBURG, FL 32068 LAST KNOWN ADDRESS STATED, CURRENT RESIDENCE UNKNOWN YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose Mortgage covering the following real and personal property described as follows, to-wit: LOT 17, BLOCK 126, JACKSONVILLE SOUTH UNIT TWO, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 11, PAGES 1 THROUGH 13, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

has been filed against you and you are required to file a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Sara Collins, McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce, LLC, 225 E. Robinson St. Suite 155, Orlando, FL 32801 and file the original with the Clerk of the above- styled Court on or before 30 days from the first publication, otherwise a Judgment may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint. WITNESS my hand and seal of said Court on the 18th day of April, 2023.

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
As Clerk of the Court
BY: Leigh Lucroy
Deputy Clerk

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NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 4TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION CASE NO. 2020CA000307 SELECT PORTFOLIO SERVICING, INC., Plaintiff,

vs. ALL UNKNOWN HEIRS, CREDITORS, DEVISEES, BENEFICIARIES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHER PARTIES CLAIMING AN INTEREST BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST THE ESTATE OF LELIA CHASE HOUBE A/K/A LELIA CHASE, DECEASED; ALLEN HOUBE, JR.; JILL HOUBE A/K/A JILL SUZANNE HOUBE; SUZANNE MCLELLAN A/K/A SUZANNE HOUBE MCLELLAN; SWEETBRIAR HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC.; UNKNOWN PERSON(S) IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY, Defendant(s)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure filed April 19, 2023 and entered in Case No. 2020CA000307, of the Circuit Court of the 4th Judicial Circuit in and for CLAY County, Florida, wherein SELECT PORTFOLIO SERVICING, INC. is Plaintiff and ALL UNKNOWN HEIRS, CREDITORS, DEVISEES, BENEFICIARIES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHER PARTIES CLAIMING AN INTEREST BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST THE ESTATE OF LELIA CHASE HOUBE A/K/A LELIA CHASE, DECEASED; ALLEN HOUBE, JR.; JILL HOUBE A/K/A JILL SUZANNE HOUBE; SUZANNE MCLELLAN A/K/A SUZANNE HOUBE MCLELLAN; UNKNOWN PERSON(S) IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY; SWEETBRIAR HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC.; are defendants. TARA S. GREEN, the Clerk of the Circuit Court, will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash BY ELECTRONIC SALE AT: WWW.CLAY.REALFORECLOSE.COM, at 10:00 A.M., on June 5, 2023, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit: LOT 88, SWEETBRIAR, UNIT NO.2, A SUBDIVISION AS PER PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 29, PAGE(S) 20 THROUGH 23, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

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. Dated this 19th day of April, 2023.

TARA S. GREEN
As Clerk of said Court
By: /s/ Jennifer Brosky
As Deputy Clerk

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator at crtntrp@coj.net or (904) 630-2564 at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: DLA 401K PLAN & TRUST, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows: Certificate No.: 892/2016 Legal Description: LOT 10 BLK 98 HIGHLRIDGE ESTATE AS REC O R 3152 PG 1026

Parcel ID No.: 210823-004283-000-00 Opening Bid Amount: \$1,875.01 Physical Address: 7153 DUKE ST , KEYSTONE HEIGHTS Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL Name in which assessed: DENTON II LLC

Said property being in the County of Clay, State of Florida. Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder online on the 28th day of June, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com. Dated this 24th day of April, 2023

TARA S. GREEN
Clay County Clerk & Comptroller
Clay County, Florida
By: Christina Spadea
Deputy Clerk

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RE-NOTICE OF SALE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO.: 2021CA000311 NDF1, LLC, Plaintiff, vs. STEVEN L. MATHIS; et al., Defendants.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated January 25, 2023 entered in Civil case No. 2021CA000311 of the Circuit Court of the 4th Judicial Circuit in and for Clay County, Florida, wherein NDF1, LLC, is Plaintiff and STEVEN L. MATHIS; et al., are the defendants.

I TARA S. GREEN, will sell to the highest bidder online at www.Clay.realforeclose.com at 10:00 a.m. on May 17, 2023 on the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit: LOT 44, SAVANNAH GLEN, UNIT 3, ACCORDING TO PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 33, PAGE(S) 63 through 66, inclusive OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA

Property address: 551 Bay Hawk Court, Orange Park, Florida 32073

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. The Court, in its discretion, may enlarge the time of the sale. Notice of the changed time of sale shall be published as provided herein.

DATED this 24th day of April, 2023.
TARA S. GREEN
Clerk of Circuit Court
BY: Gracie Moore
Deputy Clerk

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LAKES AT BELLA LAGO COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS TO CONSIDER THE ADOPTION OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2022/2023 AND THE FISCAL YEAR 2023/2024 BUDGETS; AND NOTICE OF REGULAR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MEETING.

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Supervisors ("Board") of the Lakes at Bella Lago Community Development District (the "District"), located in Clay County, Florida will hold public hearings on May 22, 2023 at 11:30 a.m., at the Holiday Inn and Suites, 620 Wells Road, Orange Park, Florida 32073 for the purpose of hearing comments and objections on the adoption of the proposed budgets ("Proposed Budgets") of the District for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2022 and ending September 30, 2023 ("Fiscal Year 2022/2023") and the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2023 and ending September 30, 2024 ("Fiscal Year 2023/2024"). A regular board meeting of the District will also be held at that time where the Board may consider any other business that may properly come before it.

A copy of the agenda and Proposed Budgets may be obtained by contacting the offices of the District Manager, Wrathell Hunt & Associates, 2300 Glades Road, Suite 410W, Boca Raton, Florida 33431, (877) 276-0889 ("District Manager's Office"), during normal business hours.

The public hearings and meeting are open to the public and will be conducted in accordance with the provisions of Florida law. The public hearings and meeting may be continued to a date, time, and place to be specified on the record at the hearings or meeting.

Any person requiring special accommodations at this meeting and/or public hearings or requiring assistance connecting to any communications media technology because of a disability or physical impairment should contact the District Manager's Office at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the meeting and public hearings. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the Florida Relay Service by dialing 7-1-1, or 1-800-955-8771 (TTY) / 1-800-955-8770 (Voice), for aid in contacting the District Manager's Office.

Any person who decides to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at the public hearings or meeting is advised that person will need a record of proceedings and that accordingly, the person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, including the testimony and evidence upon which such appeal is to be based.

District Manager

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NOTICE OF SALE UNDER F.S. CHAPTER 45

IN THE COUNTY COURT, FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO.:2022CC001994 DIVISION: HUNTERS TRACE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., Plaintiff, vs. ADELA POWERS; ET AL.; Defendants.

NOTICE IS GIVEN that under an Final

Judgment of Foreclosure dated April 19, 2023, in case number 2022-CC-001994 of the County Court of the Fourth Judicial Circuit in and for Clay County, Florida, in which HUNTERS TRACE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., was the Plaintiff and ADELA POWERS; ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER AND AGAINST THE HEREIN NAMED INDIVIDUAL DEFENDANT(S) WHO ARE NOT KNOWN TO BE DEAD OR ALIVE, WHETHER SAID UNKNOWN PARTIES MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST AS SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES OR OTHER CLAIMANTS were the Defendants, Tara S. Green, Clay County Clerk of Court, shall offer for sale to the highest and best bidder for cash in/on Clay County's Public Auction website (www.clay.realforeclose.com) Clay County, Florida on May 31, 2023 at 10:00a.m., the following described property: LOT 46, HUNTERS TRACE, AS PER PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 31 ON PAGES 60-65 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

Property Address: 2022 Hunters Trace Circle, Middleburg, Florida 32068 IF YOU ARE A PERSON CLAIMING A RIGHT TO FUNDS REMAINING AFTER THE SALE, IF ANY, YOU MUST FILE A CLAIM WITH THE CLERK NO LATER THAN THE DATE THAT THE CLERK REPORTS THE FUNDS AS UNCLAIMED. IF YOU FAIL TO FILE A CLAIM, YOU WILL NOT BE ENTITLED TO ANY REMAINING FUNDS. AFTER THE FUNDS ARE REPORTED UNCLAIMED, ONLY THE OWNER OF RECORD AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS MAY CLAIM THE SURPLUS.

DATED on April 21, 2023 in Green Cove Springs, CLAY COUNTY, Florida.

Tara S. Green
As Clerk of the Court
By: Robbin Tefft
As Deputy Clerk

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: WALDEMAR RODRIGUEZ-ELEMENTS HOME SOLUTIONS INC, 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 the names in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate No.: 2452/2020 Legal Description: (SUBJ CONSVESMT O R 1054 PG 101)NW1/4 OF NE1/4 S33T4R25 AS REC O R 3066 PG 421 Parcel ID No.: 330425-008115-000-00 Opening Bid Amount: \$1,459.76 Physical Address: OLD JENNINGS RD , MIDDLEBURG Classification: CONSERVATION EASEMENT

Name in which assessed: ESTATE OF CHARLES N HOLDER Said property being in the County of Clay, State of Florida.

Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder online on the 28th day of June, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com. Dated this 21st day of April, 2023
TARA S. GREEN
Clay County Clerk & Comptroller
Clay County, Florida
By: Christina Spadea
Deputy Clerk

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: WALDEMAR RODRIGUEZ-ELEMENTS HOME SOLUTIONS INC, 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 the names in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate No.: 750/2020 Legal Description: LOT 3 BLK 56 HIGHLRIDGE ESTATES AS REC O R 3148 PG 1187 Parcel ID No.: 210823-003374-000-00 Opening Bid Amount: \$1,795.07 Physical Address: 7219 DUKE ST , KEYSTONE HEIGHTS Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL Name in which assessed: ELLA III LLC

Said property being in the County of Clay, State of Florida. Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder online on the 28th day of June, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com. Dated this 21st day of April, 2023
TARA S. GREEN
Clay County Clerk & Comptroller
Clay County, Florida
By: Christina Spadea
Deputy Clerk

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: WALDEMAR RODRIGUEZ-ELEMENTS HOME SOLUTIONS INC, 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 the names in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate No.: 736/2020 Legal Description: LOT 9 BLK 47 HIGHLRIDGE ESTATES AS REC O R 3144 PG 467 Parcel ID No.: 210823-003244-000-00 Opening Bid Amount: \$1,862.80 Physical Address: 7331 VILLANOVA DR , KEYSTONE HEIGHTS Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL Name in which assessed: WINDER VI LLC

Said property being in the County of Clay, State of Florida. Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder online on the 28th day of June, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com. Dated this 21st day of April, 2023
TARA S. GREEN
Clay County Clerk & Comptroller
Clay County, Florida
By: Christina Spadea
Deputy Clerk

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: WALDEMAR RODRIGUEZ-ELEMENTS HOME SOLUTIONS INC, 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 the names in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate No.: 690/2020 Legal Description: LOT 9 BLK 35 HIGHLRIDGE ESTATES AS REC O R 380 PG 661 & 2196 PG 108 Parcel ID No.: 200823-002998-000-00 Opening Bid Amount: \$1,802.10 Physical Address: 6503 BAYLOR AVE , KEYSTONE HEIGHTS Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL Name in which assessed: HELEN C SMITH & GAY L RILEY

Said property being in the County of Clay, State of Florida. Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder online on the 28th day of June, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com. Dated this 21st day of April, 2023
TARA S. GREEN
Clay County Clerk & Comptroller
Clay County, Florida
By: Christina Spadea
Deputy Clerk

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: WALDEMAR RODRIGUEZ-ELEMENTS HOME SOLUTIONS INC, 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 the names in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate No.: 637/2020 Legal Description: LOT 15 BLK 19 HIGHLRIDGE ESTATE AS REC O R 3144 PG 462 Parcel ID No.: 210823-002695-000-00 Opening Bid Amount: \$1,862.80 Physical Address: 7168 WESLEYAN DR , KEYSTONE HEIGHTS Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL Name in which assessed: VERONA V LLC

Said property being in the County of Clay, State of Florida. Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder online on the 28th day of June, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com. Dated this 21st day of April, 2023
TARA S. GREEN
Clay County Clerk & Comptroller
Clay County, Florida
By: Christina Spadea
Deputy Clerk

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: WALDEMAR RODRIGUEZ-ELEMENTS HOME SOLUTIONS INC, 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 the names in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate No.: 625/2020 Legal Description: LOT 2 BLK 15 HIGHLRIDGE ESTATES AS REC O R 842 PG 454 Parcel ID No.: 200823-002615-000-00 Opening Bid Amount: \$1,857.37 Physical Address: 7217 RADCLIFFE ST , KEYSTONE HEIGHTS Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL Name in which assessed: PRIGMORE NANCY C/O LESLIE E PRIGMORE

Said property being in the County of Clay, State of Florida. Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder online on the 28th day of June, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com. Dated this 21st day of April, 2023
TARA S. GREEN
Clay County Clerk & Comptroller
Clay County, Florida
By: Christina Spadea
Deputy Clerk

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: WALDEMAR RODRIGUEZ-ELEMENTS HOME SOLUTIONS INC, 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 the names in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate No.: 624/2020 Legal Description: LOT 1 BLK 15 HIGHLRIDGE ESTATES AS REC O R 874 PG 641 & 2556 PG 615 Parcel ID No.: 200823-002614-000-00 Opening Bid Amount: \$1,810.39 Physical Address: 7221 RADCLIFFE ST , KEYSTONE HEIGHTS Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL Name in which assessed: LOLA WIEMER

Said property being in the County of Clay, State of Florida. Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder online on the 28th day of June, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com. Dated this 21st day of April, 2023
TARA S. GREEN
Clay County Clerk & Comptroller
Clay County, Florida
By: Christina Spadea
Deputy Clerk

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: WALDEMAR RODRIGUEZ-ELEMENTS HOME SOLUTIONS INC, 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 the names in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate No.: 588/2020 Legal Description: LOT 5 BLK 7 HIGHLRIDGE ESTATES AS REC O R 2494 PG 1379 Parcel ID No.: 200823-002442-000-00 Opening Bid Amount: \$1,823.12 Physical Address: 6353 ANTIOCH AVE , KEYSTONE HEIGHTS Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL Name in which assessed: MICHELINE DORVAL

Said property being in the County of Clay, State of Florida. Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder online on the 28th day of June, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com. Dated this 21st day of April, 2023
TARA S. GREEN
Clay County Clerk & Comptroller
Clay County, Florida
By: Christina Spadea
Deputy Clerk

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION File No. 2023-CP-000191 Division B IN RE: ESTATE OF BETTY RAE FITZHUGH Deceased.

The administration of the estate of Betty Rae Fitzhugh, deceased, whose date of death was February 4, 2023, is pending in the Circuit Court for Clay County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 825 N. Orange Avenue / PO Box 698, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043. 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

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

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

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

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

The date of first publication of this notice is April 27, 2023.

Attorney for Personal Representative:
L. J. Arnold III Attorney
Florida Bar Number: 154474 ARNOLD LAW

718 N. Orange Ave. PO Box 1570
GREEN COVE SPRINGS, FL 32043

Telephone: (904) 284-5618
Fax: (904) 284-5937

E-Mail: arnold3service@gmail.com
Secondary E-Mail: marie.arnoldlaw@gmail.com

Personal Representative:
Matthew E. Fitzgugh
712 Chathal Drive
Orange Park, Florida 32073

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NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 2018-CA-000463
PENNYMAC LOAN SERVICES, LLC, Plaintiff,

v.
CYBEL CRISTINA PEREZ A/K/A CYBEL C. PEREZ, et al., Defendants.

NOTICE is hereby given that Tara S. Green, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Clay County, Florida, will on June 2, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. ET, via the online auction at www.clay.realforeclose.com in accordance with Chapter 45, F.S., offer for sale and sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, the following described property situated in Clay County, Florida, to wit:

Lot 21B, CAMBRIDGE AT OAKLEAF PLANTATION, according to the Map or Plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 47, Pages 11 thru 18, inclusive, of the Public Records of Clay County, Florida.

Property Address: 726 Crystal Way, Orange Park, FL 32065

pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered in a case pending in said Court, the style and case number of which is set forth above.

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

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

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator at (904) 255-1695 or crtntrp@coj.net at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

WITNESS my hand and official seal of this Honorable Court this 20th day of April, 2023.

Tara S. Green
Clerk of the Circuit Court
By: Jaime Pippin
DEPUTY CLERK

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA, PROBATE DIVISION
FILE NO.: 2023-CP-0167
DIVISION: B

IN RE: ESTATE OF VINCENT J. SCHUPPERT
a/k/a VINCENT JOSEPH SCHUPPERT, Deceased.

The administration of the estate of VINCENT J. SCHUPPERT, deceased, whose date of death was December 29, 2022, is pending in the Circuit Court for Clay County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is Clay County Courthouse, Post Office Box 698, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court ON OR BEFORE THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS

AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this Court WITHIN THREE (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: April 27, 2023.

Attorney for Personal Representative:

NAWAL B. McDANIEL, ESQUIRE
nmcdaniel@rtlaw.com

Florida Bar No.: 27478
ROGERS TOWERS, P.A.

1301 Riverplace Boulevard, Suite 1500
Jacksonville, FL 32207

(904) 398-3911
Personal Representative:

JUNE M. SCHUPPERT
1212 River Road

Orange Park, FL 32073

Legal 66349 Published 4/27/2023 and 5/4/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

Notice of Meeting Pine Ridge Plantation Community Development District

A meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the Pine Ridge Plantation Community Development District will be held on **Tuesday, May 16, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. at the Pine Ridge Plantation Amenity Center, 4200 Pine Ridge Parkway, Middleburg, Florida 32068.** The meeting is open to the public and will be conducted in accordance with the provisions of Florida Law for Community Development Districts. A copy of the agenda for this meeting may be obtained from the District Manager, at 475 West Town Place, Suite 114, St. Augustine, FL 32092 (and phone (904) 940-5850). This meeting may be continued to a date, time, and place to be specified on the record at the meeting.

Any person requiring special accommodations at this meeting because of a disability or physical impairment should contact the District Office at (904) 940-5850 at least two calendar days prior to the meeting. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the Florida Relay Service at 1-800-955-8770, for aid in contacting the District Office.

Each person who decides to appeal any action taken at these meetings is advised that person will need a record of the proceedings and that accordingly, the person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, including the testimony and evidence upon which such appeal is to be based.

Marilee Giles
District Manager

Legal 66346 Published 5/4/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

Notice of Meeting Armstrong Community Development District

The regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the Armstrong Community Development District will be held on Thursday, May 11, 2023 at 3:30 p.m. at the Plantation Oaks Amenity Center, 845 Oakleaf Plantation Parkway, Orange Park, Florida 32065. The meeting is open to the public and will be conducted in accordance with the provisions of Florida Law for Community Development Districts. A copy of the agenda for this meeting may be obtained from the District Manager, at 475 West Town Place, Suite 114, St. Augustine, FL 32092 (and phone (904) 940-5850). This meeting may be continued to a date, time, and place to be specified on the record at the meeting. There may be occasions when one or more Supervisors will participate by telephone.

Any person requiring special accommodations at this meeting because of a disability or physical impairment should contact the District Office at (904) 940-5850 at least two calendar days prior to the meeting. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the Florida Relay Service at 1-800-955-8770, for aid in contacting the District Office.

Each person who decides to appeal any action taken at these meetings is advised that person will need a record of the proceedings and that accordingly, the person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, including the testimony and evidence upon which such appeal is to be based.

Marilee Giles
District Manager

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

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 4TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE# 23-DR-381
Division
Maria De Lourdes Diaz
Petitioner
and
Johnny De Los Santos
Respondent.
TO: Johnny De Los Santos
1408 Palmer St, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043

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 Maria De Lourdes Diaz whose address is 1425 Woodland View Dr, Fleming Island, FL 32003, on or before June 2, 2023, and file the original with the clerk of this Court at 825 North Orange Ave, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043, 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.**

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

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

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

Dated: April 18, 2023.
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
By: Jennifer Brosky
Deputy Clerk

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NOTICE OF ACTION

IN THE COUNTY COURT, FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR, CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 2022-CC-001701
DIVISION: CC-C

TWO CREEKS OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., Plaintiff,

vs.
JENNIFER SATCHELL, UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF JENNIFER SATCHELL, UNKNOWN TENANT NO. 1 and UNKNOWN TENANT NO. 2, Defendants.

TO: GIL RODRIGUEZ; DONDRICK SATCHELL; AND THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS, CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST, JENNIFER SATCHELL, DECEASED

Last known Residence: Unknown
YOU ARE NOTIFIED that the above-styled action to foreclose the lien on the following described property in Clay County, Florida:

Lot 491, TWO CREEKS, a subdivision according to the Plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 52, Pages 62 through 104, of the Public Records of Clay County, Florida.

Property Address: 4251 Sandhill Crane Terrace, Middleburg, FL 32068

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Crabtree Law Group, P.A., 8777 San Jose Boulevard, Building A, Suite 200, Jacksonville, Florida 32217, (Phone Number: (904) 732-9701; Email: ems@crabtreelaw.com), Plaintiff's attorney within thirty (30) days after the first publication of this notice and file the original with the Clerk of this court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint.

DATED on April 19, 2023.

TARA S GREEN
CLERK OF COUNTY COURT

By: Robbin Teft
Deputy Clerk

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in a court proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator at (904) 269-6337, at least seven (7) days prior to scheduled court appearance or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than seven (7) days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

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NOTICE OF SALE UNDER F.S. CHAPTER 45

IN THE COUNTY COURT, FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 2023-CC-000186
DIVISION:

CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION OF THE GROVE, INC.,

Plaintiff, vs.

BEVERLY PROUDFOOT; ET AL.; Defendants.

NOTICE IS GIVEN that under an Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated April 13, 2023, in case number 2023-CC-000186 of the County Court of the Fourth Ju-

dicial Circuit in and for Clay County, Florida, in which CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION OF THE GROVE, INC., was the Plaintiff and BEVERLY PROUDFOOT; THE UNKNOWN TENANT IN POSSESSION OF 1254 THE GROVE ROAD, UNIT 24, ORANGE PARK, FLORIDA 32073 NKA SETH PROUDFOOT; ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER AND AGAINST THE HEREIN NAMED INDIVIDUAL DEFENDANT(S) WHO ARE NOT KNOWN TO BE DEAD OR ALIVE, WHETHER SAID UNKNOWN PARTIES MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST AS SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES OR OTHER CLAIMANTS were the Defendants, Tara S. Green, Clay County Clerk of Court, shall offer for sale to the highest and best bidder for cash in/on Clay County's Public Auction website (www.clay.realforeclose.com) Clay County, Florida on May 24, 2023 at 10:00a.m., the following described property:

THAT CERTAIN CONDOMINIUM PARCEL COMPOSED OF DWELLING UNIT NO. 24 IN THE GROVE CONDOMINIUM, ACCORDING TO DECLARATION OF CONDOMINIUM FILED FOR RECORD IN OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 315, PAGE 215 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

Property Address: 1254 The Grove Road, Unit 24, Orange Park, Florida 32073.

IF YOU ARE A PERSON CLAIMING A RIGHT TO FUNDS REMAINING AFTER THE SALE, IF ANY, YOU MUST FILE A CLAIM WITH THE CLERK NO LATER THAN THE DATE THAT THE CLERK REPORTS THE FUNDS AS UNCLAIMED. IF YOU FAIL TO FILE A CLAIM, YOU WILL NOT BE ENTITLED TO ANY REMAINING FUNDS. AFTER THE FUNDS ARE REPORTED UNCLAIMED, ONLY THE OWNER OF RECORD AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS MAY CLAIM THE SURPLUS.

DATED on April 18, 2023, in Green Cove Springs, CLAY COUNTY, Florida.

Tara S. Green
As Clerk of the Court
By: Robbin Teft
As Deputy Clerk

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROBATE DIVISION
FILE NO.: 2023-CP-000184

In re: THE ESTATE OF PETER O'NEIL GAINEY, also known as PETER O. GAINEY

Deceased.
The administration of the estate of Peter O'Neil Gainey, also known as Peter O. Gainey, whose date of death was February 19, 2023, and whose Social Security Number is ***--4810, is pending in the Circuit Court for Clay County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is Clay County Courthouse, 825 N Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043. The name and address of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

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

All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this Court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE. ALL CLAIMS NOT SO FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN SECTION 733.702 OF THE FLORIDA PROBATE CODE WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

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

The date of the first publication of this Notice is April 27, 2023.

Personal Representative:

Shelly R. Bowen
1722 NE 154th Street

Starke, Florida 32091

Attorneys for Personal Representative:

TAYLOR ARRUBLA HARDWICK P.A.

By: /s/Jennifer T. Arrubla

James J. Taylor Jr.

Florida Bar No. 334057

Jennifer T. Arrubla

Florida Bar No. 98804

420 S. Lawrence Blvd.

Keystone Heights, Florida 32656

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352-473-8088 (telephone)

352-473-8161 (facsimile)

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NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NO. 10-2019-CA-000700

NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC D/B/A MR. COOPER,

Plaintiff,

vs.

JOSEPH P. AZATO, et al.

Defendant(s).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated December 04, 2019, and entered in 10-2019-CA-000700 of the Circuit Court of the FOURTH Judicial Circuit in and for Clay County, Florida, wherein NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC D/B/A MR. COOPER is the Plaintiff and JOSEPH P. AZATO; LINDA AZATO; AQUA FINANCE, INC. are the Defendant(s). Tara S. Green as the Clerk of the Circuit Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at www.clay.realforeclose.com, at 10:00 AM, on May 31, 2023, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

BEING A PART OF SECTION 11, TOWNSHIP 5 SOUTH, RANGE 25 EAST AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

COMMENCE AT THE SOUTHWESTERLY CORNER OF SECTION 10; THENCE

SOUTH 89 DEGREES 15 MINUTES 02 SECONDS EAST- 5080.29 FEET TO AN IRON ROD; THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 26 MINUTES 47 SECONDS EAST- 400.81 FEET TO A POINT IN THE CENTER OF A ROAD CALLED HANDS DRIVE; THENCE WITH THE CENTER OF HANDS DRIVE TWO COURSES:

(1) SOUTH 89 DEGREES 33 MINUTES 13 SECONDS EAST- 25.61 FEET TO A POINT; (2) AROUND A CURVE CONCAVE TO THE NORTHWEST (CHORD

NORTH 67 DEGREES 05 MINUTES 58 SECONDS EAST- 554.82 FEET, RADIUS 700.00 FEET) TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE CONTINUE WITH THE CENTER OF HANDS DRIVE TWO COURSES:

(1) AROUND A CURVE CONCAVE TO THE NORTHWEST (CHORD NORTH 39 DEGREES 52 MINUTES 53 SECONDS EAST- 94.77 FEET, RADIUS 700.00 FEET, DELTA

ANGLE 07 DEGREES 45 MINUTES 09 SECONDS LEFT, ARC LENGTH 94.71 FEET) TO A POINT; (2) NORTH 36 DEGREES 00 MINUTES 00 SECONDS EAST- 1.39 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE LEAVING HANDS DRIVE SOUTH 54 DEGREES 00 MINUTES 00 SECONDS EAST- 304.27 FEET TO AN IRON ROD; THENCE CONTINUE SOUTH 54 DEGREES 00 MINUTES 00 SECONDS EAST- 83.40 FEET (PLUS OR MINUS) TO A POINT IN THE CENTER OF BRADLEY CREEK; THENCE WITH THE CENTER OF BRADLEY CREEK SOUTH 44 DEGREES 17 MINUTES 56 SECONDS WEST - 148.10 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE LEAVING BRADLEY CREEK NORTH 46 DEGREES 14 MINUTES 51 SECONDS WEST - 75.44 FEET (PLUS OR MINUS) TO AN IRON ROD; THENCE CONTINUE NORTH 46 DEGREES 14 MINUTES 51 SECONDS WEST- 300.69 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

TOGETHER WITH A 1985 DOUBLWIDE ALSP MOBILE HOME BEARING VIN IDENTIFICATION NO. ALS0647A AND ALS0647B.

Property Address: 2643 HANDS DR, GREEN COVE SPRINGS, FL 32043

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim in accordance with Florida Statutes, Section 45.031.

Dated this 17th day of April, 2023.

Tara S. Green

As Clerk of the Court

By: Jennifer Broskey

As 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 at crtntrp@coj.net or (904) 255-1695 at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

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NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NO. 10-2020-CA-000161

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION,

Plaintiff,

vs.

JONATHAN CLARK, et al.

Defendant(s).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated August 10, 2022, and entered in 10-2020-CA-000161 of the Circuit Court of the FOURTH Judicial Circuit in and for Clay County, Florida, wherein U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION is the Plaintiff and JONATHAN CLARK; BETSY CLARK; STATE OF FLORIDA; HOUSING FINANCE AUTHORITY OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA; CLERK OF COURT, CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA; UNKNOWN TENANT IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY are the Defendant(s).

Tara S. Green as the Clerk of the Circuit Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at www.clay.realforeclose.com.

com, at 10:00 AM, on May 31, 2023 , the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

LOT 1, HERITAGE HILLS UNIT 7, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 24, PAGE(S) 13 AND 14 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

Property Address: 585 CHARLES PINCKNEY ST, ORANGE PARK, FL 32073

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim in accordance with Florida Statutes, Section 45.031. Dated this 29 day of March , 2023.

Tara S. Green

As Clerk of the Court

By: Gracie Moore

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Nicholas Jay Reese, and/or anyone claiming parental/paternal rights or interest in the child and to All Whom It May Concern:

On January 17, 2023, a petition for Termination was filed in the above entitled Court, pursuant to RCW 13.34.080 and/or RCW 26.33.310 regarding the above named child, whose parents are *.
[FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CALL 206-477-2310, 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.]
 Said Petition will be heard on June 1, 2023, at 8:30 a.m., at the Judge Patricia H. Clark Children & Family Justice Center, 1211 E. Alder St., Rm 4-B, Seattle, WA 98122, before a judge of the above entitled court, at which time you are directed to appear and answer the said petition or the petition will be granted and action will be taken by the court such as shall appear to be for the welfare of the said child. Appearance at this hearing is required and may be in person or via telephone by calling (253) 215-8782 and entering the Meeting ID #546 723 6866.
 DATED this Wednesday, April 12, 2023
BARBARA MINER
 KING COUNTY
 SUPERIOR COURT CLERK
 BY: HLS, Deputy Clerk

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

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 4TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
 CASE# 10-2022-DR-001064-A
 Division
 MaryJo Peters
 Petitioner
 and
 Bradley Perkins
 Respondent.
 TO: Bradley Perkins
 6880 Crystal Lake Rd, Keystone Heights, FL 32656
 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 MaryJo Peters whose address is 109 Highland Ave, Georgetown, KY 40324, on or before May 14, 2023, and file the original with the clerk of this Court at 825 North Orange Ave/PO Box 698, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043, before service on Petitioner or immediately thereafter. **If you fail to do so, a default may be entered against you for the re-**

lief demanded in the petition.

Copies of all court documents in this case, including orders, are available at the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office. You may review these documents upon request.
You must keep the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office notified of your current address. (You may file Designation of Current mailing and E-Mail Address, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.915.) Future papers in this lawsuit will be mailed or e-mailed to the addresses on record at the clerk's office.
WARNING: Rule 12.285, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure, requires certain automatic disclosure of documents and information. Failure to comply can result in sanctions, including dismissal or striking of pleadings.
 Dated: March 30, 2023.
 CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
 By: Leigh Lucroy
 Deputy Clerk

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

The online bidding and auction for Storage Rentals of America, 369 Blanding Blvd. will be held online at lockerfox.com through May 18, 2023, at 11:00AM.
 The entire contents of the following units will be sold to satisfy a lien and other charges according to FL Statutes 83.801.

PERSONAL PROPERTY/HOUSEHOLD ITEMS:
Unit # Tenant or Business Name
E13 Ron Dasher
G30 Tiffany Phillips
L03 Chris Pope
Total Units: 3
Sale being held to satisfy Landlords' lien. The seller reserves the right to reject any/all bids and to withdraw any unit from sale. CASH ONLY. Contents to be removed within 72 hours.
 Storage Rentals of America
 369 Blanding Blvd.
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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: JEFFREY W KOCH, 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 the names in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate No.: 653/2017
Legal Description: LOT 10 BLK 18 HIGHRIDGE ESTATE AS REC O R 2710 PG 1032
Parcel ID No.: 210823-002676-000-00
Opening Bid Amount: \$1,664.69
Physical Address: 7154 WESLEYAN , KEYSTONE HEIGHTS
Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL
Name in which assessed: DAVID ANTHONY & YVONNE B WHITE
 Said property being in the County of Clay, State of Florida.
 Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder online on the **7th day of June, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com.**
 Dated this 5th day of April, 2023
TARA S . GREEN
 Clay County Clerk & Comptroller
 Clay County, Florida
 By: Christina Spadea
 Deputy Clerk

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: RAJENDRA INC, 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 the names in which it was assessed are as follows:
Certificate No.: 348/2020
Legal Description: LOT 10 BLK 36 BIG TREE LAKES SEC A AS REC O R 2643 PG 1519
Parcel ID No.: 140823-001437-323-00
Opening Bid Amount: \$1,557.10
Physical Address: 5518 LASSEN ST , KEYSTONE HEIGHTS
Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL
Name in which assessed: CLIFTON G MATTHEWS
 Said property being in the County of Clay, State of Florida.
 Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder online on the **17th day of May, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com.**
 Dated this 20th day of March, 2023
TARA S . GREEN
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STATE OF FLORIDA, DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT INVITATION TO BID

Issuing Agency: Department of Military Affairs
Project Number and Name: 222029 CBJTC Counterdrug HQ New Building (re-bid)

Project Location: Camp Blanding Joint Training Center, Starke FL
Statement of Work: Base bid: All materials, labor, and equipment for the construction of a 6,746 SF, single story commercial office building constructed utilizing a pre-engineered metal building system on cast-in-place concrete slab. The exterior will include aluminum storefront windows and entrance doors, hollow metal doors and frames, and a split face integral color masonry veneer watertable with precast concrete cap and supporting framing and waterproofing. The interior work will include gypsum wallboard on metal stud partitions and furred walls, suspended ceiling systems with gypsum wallboard and acoustical panels. Interior plastic laminate countertops, cabinetry and vanities is included. Interior doors will be both commercial hollow metal doors and wood doors in hollow metal frames with commercial door hardware. Interior finishes include commercial carpet, vinyl composition tile, resilient wall base, ceramic floor and wall tile, painted gypsum wallboard walls and ceilings. Accessories will include panel signage, toilet and bath accessories, toilet compartments, fire extinguishers and cabinets and horizontal louver blinds. Commercial HVAC systems, plumbing, electrical and I.T. will be provided. Sitework will include site clearing, paved parking and sidewalks, on-site retention, site utilities, dumpster, and generator pads. Refer to contract documents for a comprehensive scope of work and Alternate Bid Items (ABIs).

ABI#1 – Flooring
ABI#2 – Millwork
ABI#3 – HVAC 5 zones
ABI#4 – Wood doors
ABI#5 – Denlar Kitchen hood
ABI#6 – Ceramic wall tile in latrines
ABI#7 – Generator wiring
ABI#8 – Canopy at Front Entrance

ABI #9 – Canopy at Staff Entrance
ABI #10 – Split-face watertable
ABI #11 – Asphalt parking lot
ABI #12 – Site lighting
ABI #13 – Fill dirt Deduct
ABI #14 – GC on-site office Deduct
Estimated Construction Cost (range): \$1,750,000.00 - \$2,300,000.00
Type of Contractor: General
Date of VIP Posting: May 8, 2023
Mandatory Site Visit Date: As stated on the Vendor Information Portal
Bid Opening Date: As stated on the Vendor Information Portal (late bids will not be accepted)
Point Of Contact: Department of Military Affairs, CFMO Contract Management Office at (904) 823-0256 or e-mail ng.fl.flamg.list.cfmo-contracting@army.mil.
FOR COMPLETE INFORMATION AND SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS PLEASE REFER TO THE MYFLORIDA.COM VENDOR INFORMATION PORTAL AT:
<https://vendor.myfloridamarketplace.com/>
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PUBLIC NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned intends to sell the personal property described below to enforce a lien imposed on said property under The Florida Self Storage Facility Act Statutes (Section 83.801 - 83.809). The undersigned will sell by competitive bidding at lockerfox.com on Tuesday the 23rd day of May, 2023 at 12:00 PM. Said property is SecurCare Self Storage, 996 Blanding Blvd, Orange Park, FL, 32065 Webb, Michael 605 Popcorn Maker, Vacuum parts, Boxes of misc items, Desktop Computer Parts, Suitcase, Misc Furniture . Rowe, Jana 448 Misc furniture, mattresses, Misc boxes, bag of shoes, wooden box of misc items . Webb, Michael 325 Vacuums, Vacuum parts, storage cabinet, misc boxes, misc vacuum parts . Cain, Brandy 630 Antique wood desk, wooden chairs, tables, shelves, Misc Furniture, tool bag, electric lawn mower, ladder, stroller, TV, All purchased items are sold as is, where is, and must be removed within 48 hours of the sale. A refundable \$100 cash deposit for each unit won is required. Purchases must be paid for at the time of purchase by cash or credit/debit card per facility policy. Sale subject to cancellation in the event of settlement between owner and obligated party.

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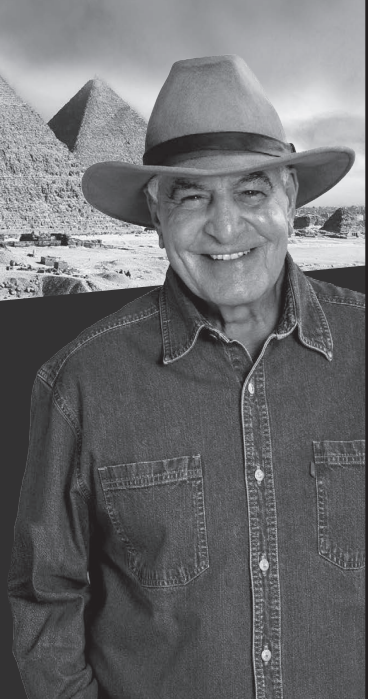
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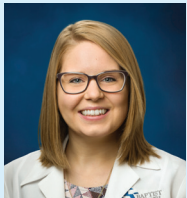
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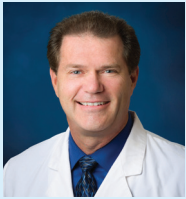
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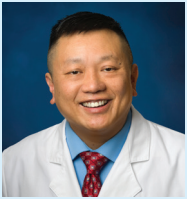
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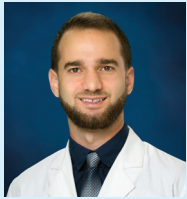
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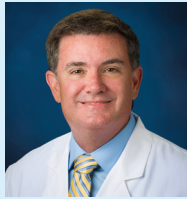
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