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## A half-century of compassion

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THE POWER OF PEOPLE AND POSSIBILITIES

### Nancy Keating celebrates 50 years at Challenge Enterprises

By Don Coble  
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GREEN COVE SPRINGS – When Challenge Enterprises opened in Clay County in 1972, the organization that provides support, empowerment and training to residents with different disabilities needed a full-time employee to organize their many programs.

That person was Nancy Keating.

Her hire date was Sept. 4, 1973. She celebrated her 50th anniversary with the organization. But she recently informed the board of directors there won't be a 51st celebration.

After serving the needs of residents with different abilities to embrace their challenges so they can become enterprising members of the community, Keating plans to step from her desk and onto the tee box at the end of the year.

"I do plan to retire," she said. "And so the board has set up a leadership transition committee. The story has been for my tenure at Challenge Enterprise, but I

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Nancy Keating was the first full-time employee hired by Challenge Enterprises. That was in 1973. Fifty years later, she still advocates empowering people with different abilities and the organization's Green Cove Springs and Orange Park offices. U.S. Rep. Aaron Bean recently toured the Shred for Good operation with Nancy Keating at the Challenge Enterprises' Green Cove Springs offices. Retirement means she gets to play more golf, like her memorable trip to the Old Course at St. Andrews' infamous No. 17 "Road Hole." She also plans to play more rounds with the Hickory Hill Women's Golf League.



## Fate of Keystone Heights Airport Authority to be in voters' hands

By Don Coble  
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KEYSTONE HEIGHTS – After hearing opposition from 11 residents, the city council decided Monday night to let the voters decide whether the Keystone Heights Airport's new manager will answer to the current authority board or function as a city department.

Council members believe disbanding the authority management required a change in the city charter. To do that, voters must decide at the ballot box next April whether the board will continue to operate one of the city's most significant assets or whether a manager hired by the council will work under the direction of the city or

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## Guest Column

# Missing in action, but never forgotten

Country honors POW/MIA Recognition Day this Friday

By U.S. Rep. Aaron Bean (FL-4)  
Special to Clay Today

Did you know that more than 40 million Americans have served in the Armed Forces since our nation's founding?

Our American story is a tapestry woven with countless patriots who, with their intrepid spirit, meritorious service and admirable bravery, have gone beyond the call of duty. And their heroism is as old as war itself.

From Yorktown to Gettysburg, San Juan Hill to Saipan, and Leyte Gulf to Tora Bora, America's sons and daughters have heroically answered the call to protect our precious freedoms and defend the cause of liberty at home and abroad.

Each one had a duty to serve. But it's our duty to remember.

So, on Friday, Sept. 15 – National POW/MIA Recognition Day – we remember more than 500,000 Prisoners of War who en-

dured the horrors of enemy captivity and faithfully served through severe suffering and incomprehensible trauma. We remember the tens of thousands of our brave patriots still missing in action and have yet to return home safely to the warm embrace of their families and loved ones.

This week, thousands of ceremonies will take place nationwide to express solidarity. Balloons will be released. Moments of silence will be held.

Hundreds of thousands of Americans will gather to honor the lives and deeds of our greatest heroes in churchyards, national cemeteries, and town squares. And a black and white flag created by Orange Park's Mary Helen Hoff will fly proudly.

All of this is good and fitting, but our patriots deserve a special place of honor because of their selfless dedication, unmatched valor and unsurpassed devotion to our nation's values.

That is why I introduced legislation that will designate the POW/MIA Memorial and Museum at Cecil Field in my congressional district as a national landmark to honor,



Prisoners of War and Missing In Action has a special meaning in Clay County. Orange Park's Mary Helen Hoff developed the iconic black and white POW/MIA flag. It will be the centerpiece of remembrance as the nation observes the missing and held captive during wartime.

connect, inspire, and educate the American people about our prisoners of war and those missing in action. This memorial will give Americans a unique opportunity to honor the immense sacrifice made by our POWs and serve as a powerful reminder of the service members whose fates are still unknown. We will never be able to repay our debt to those who have given their last measure of devotion to the spirit of America.

But we can continue to do our duty: to remember.

So, on POW/MIA Recognition Day, we the people of the United States, with a grateful heart, salute those who endured great dangers in the hands of the enemy and those lost in service to our nation.

U.S. Rep. Aaron Bean represents the Fourth District of Florida, which includes Clay County, in Washington, D.C.

## New SJCDs Athletics Director John Sgromolo running for BCC

Former District AD vying to represent District 1

By Lee Wardlaw  
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ORANGE PARK- John Sgromolo believes his deep-rooted love for Clay County will make him a good Board of County Commission commissioner.

Sgromolo, who currently serves as Athletics Director at St. Johns Country Day School, said he boasts a track record of leadership with his extensive work in athletics and education. The former athletics director and teacher with the school district said his professional experience makes him a formidable candidate.

Overseeing more than 6,000 student-athletes and 300 coaches, Sgromolo's ex-



John Sgromolo

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– John Sgromolo

perience with the district helped him learn to unite people and make fiscally responsible decisions. He said those two will be his strengths if he's elected.

"I'm a strong fiscal conservative. I believe that taxpayer dollars belong to taxpayers, not the government or bureaucrats," he said.

Sgromolo identified three primary areas he would plan to address if elected. First and foremost, he emphasized public safety, ensuring that the county's uniformed services, such as the sheriff's department and fire rescue, have the necessary resources.

"We need to make sure that those men and women have everything they need to protect the community.

I believe a great community starts with a safe community. We're very blessed to have a safe community already here in the

county," he said.

Sgromolo said he would address the concerns of the influx of new residents to the "Free State of Florida," particularly Clay County.

Considering the population boom, strategic growth is a top priority for District 1 and the county.

"We have to be very smart and strategic about the growth coming to the county. We need to ensure that we continue to keep up with maintenance and roads as we see increased traffic, along with being smart with any new business ventures coming to the county," he said.

Properly maintaining infrastructure is critical in a district with aging roads and rapid expansion, he wants to collaborate with governmental partners and legislators to secure more appropriations for

road projects in District 1 and throughout the county.

District 1 encompasses Fleming Island and portions of Middleburg. Mike Cella currently holds the seat. He will term out at the end of 2023.

Sgromolo, a Republican, currently is the only candidate who's filed. If he runs unopposed by another Republican, he will advance to the General Election on Nov. 5, 2024. If he's challenged, he has to win the Primary Election on Aug. 20.

"Ensuring our quality of life remains high by adding more options for people on their daily commute and improving inter-modal infrastructure is something that we (would) look forward to doing," he said.

Sgromolo expressed deep-rooted ties to another one of his priorities, supporting veterans. "Veterans are very important to me and my family. My father is a Navy veteran, my father-in-law is a Marine Corps veteran, and all of my wife's family are veterans of the U.S. Air Force. Supporting our veterans and making sure that they have a great quality of life is a cause that I am passionate about," he said.

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DeSantis:

## Disney's First Amendment claim 'bogus'

By A.G. Gancarski  
By FloridaPolitics.com

**R**on DeSantis isn't holding back about The Walt Disney Co. narrowing the scope of its lawsuit against his administration.

The Florida Governor and 2024 presidential candidate said the company would lose even its revised federal claim, calling the plaintiff's position "bogus."

"They're going to lose, and they're obviously going to lose that claim. It's a bogus claim. These were acts of the Florida Legislature. They had every right to make sure that Disney is living under the same laws as every other company paying taxes following the law," DeSantis said on the Fox News Channel.

As they said they would days ago, Disney narrowed its federal complaint to a First Amendment issue, contending the governor retaliated against them politically, noting that other claims are being handled in a parallel piece of state-level litigation.

Meanwhile, the latest remarks from the governor show that despite his assertions that the state is on strong footing, he's at least rhetorically preoccupied with the long-running fight between the state and one of its signature companies.

"Look, my wife and I, we got married at Walt Disney World. And so it's not like we're opposed. I mean, we've appreciated working with them over the years, but I would just say, go back to what you did," DeSantis said last month, seemingly referring to the convivial working relationship Florida's government had with the company before it opposed 2022's Parental Rights in Education law.

"But where we are today, you know, we basically moved on. They're suing the state of Florida; they're going to lose that lawsuit. So what I would say is drop the

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## OPINIONS



Some people are crazy:

## Just sit back and enjoy the show

By Don Coble  
Managing Editor

**I**t's easy to be amused by the news. Every day, we hear or see something a little more outlandish than the day before.

Instead of trying to understand it or find a deeper meaning, it's best to put it out there and let everyone figure it out for themselves.

Remember, I'm not passing judgment on any of these items. I'm simply putting their words and actions out there.

President Joe Biden recently said his recent string of weekend stays at his Rehoboth Beach, Delaware, house shouldn't have been considered a vacation break since he can't return to his Wilmington home while it is undergoing security upgrades.

Every weekend, Biden leaves Washington, D.C., for Delaware. Most of the time, he goes to his home in Wilmington. But he hasn't been there in a few months because the Secret Service has been fortifying the compound. After all, that's where his prized 1967 Corvette Stingray is parked. (All right, maybe one little jab).

Instead of lounging at his 6,850-square-foot house in Wilmington, he had to bunk at his 4,800-square-foot house at Rehoboth Beach.



Don Coble

While speaking with reporters Sept. 3 at Rehoboth Beach following a church service, the president made this stunning proclamation about being away from Wilmington: "I have no home to go to."

I guess he also forgot about his other home at 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue.

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When it comes to unhinged people, there are no better examples than "Sovereign Citizens."

Sovereign Citizens, 300,000 of them and growing, gained traction in the ooze that was the COVID-19 pandemic. They rejected the government's orders to get vaccines or wear masks.

But it soon spun into deeper areas of absurdity.

The right-wing anarchists genuinely believe laws don't apply to them. They use license tags that simply reads: "Private." They said their cars don't need to be insured or registered as long as they are "traveling" and not driving commercially. Instead of buying a tag at the Department of Motor Vehicles, they buy their fake tags on Amazon. Seriously.

The extremists also don't pay taxes.

They believe they don't have to identify themselves or get out of a car if ordered by law enforcement. They ignored the Supreme Court's *Pennsylvania v. Mimms* in 1977 decision after it concluded demanding compliance didn't violate the Fourth Amendment, which means drivers and passengers must exit the car and produce their identifications if ordered.

Although Sovereign Citizens believe

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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.

**Nosegay:** (NOHZ-gay) a noun that means a small bunch of sweet-scented flowers.

"Each of the bridesmaids received a small nosegay wrapped in lace."

## This Week in History

### Five years ago, 2018

- Mary Bolla pulled a \$28,900 pay supplement request for Superintendent Addison Davis from the agenda after Davis helped advance the school district's state grade from a B to an A.

- Former Marine Korey Shaffer created plaques for the Til Valhalla Project from his shop in Orange Park.

- After county voters approved a one mill increase for the school district, Superintendent Addison Davis said about half of the \$11 million will be spent on employing school resource officers.

### 10 years ago, 2013

- The Green Cove Springs Police Department set up a drop box in the lobby so residents can safely dispose of unused prescriptions.

- The Florida Department of Transportation announced the toll road that will connect Interstate 10 west of Jacksonville, through Clay County to I-95 near St. Augustine will be called First Coast Expressway.

- Al Rizer is selected as the administrator for Custead Care Center in Orange Park.

### 20 years ago, 2003

- Ricky Rose died after he and his wife struck a horse wandering on County Road 220 while they were riding a motorcycle.

- The Clay County Board of County Commissioners agree to lower the millage rate for the next fiscal year.

- Doctors Inlet Elementary Principal Larry Davis took 43 students who were the highest achievers to lunch in a limousine to reward the school's FCAT scores.

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### Opinions ...

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# Crazy

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law enforcement and judges have no jurisdiction over them, the people with gavels and guns have proven otherwise.

Anyone behind the wheel on a public road must have a license, and the car must be registered, properly tagged and insured.

Sovereign Citizens are wrong, and they've lost every court case. And their numbers grow.

According to Wikipedia, Sovereign Citizen arguments have no basis in law and have never been successful in any court. The movement may appeal to people facing financial or legal difficulties or wishing to resist perceived government oppression. As a result, it has grown significantly during times of economic or social crisis.

But they'll keep trying. And we'll keep laughing.

Members of Team Rubicon ascended to the Big Bend area before Hurricane Idalia finished cutting a path through the Southeast and into the Atlantic Ocean.

The group of veterans and emergency management officials quickly assessed the damage and assigned duties to teams that specialize in disasters.

One of the most important groups in-

cluded men with chainsaws. They arrived with a cherry picker, a large truck to haul away debris and, of course, plenty of chainsaws.

Guess what? They're from Texas. Think about it.

Remember Evander Holyfield, who proudly wore his Christian faith inside the boxing ring.

While he sported Christian scripture "The Warrior" on his trunks, he fathered 11 children with six different women when his shorts were on the floor.

Evander's personal and financial troubles took a downward spiral in 1998 when he celebrated the birth of two sons and a daughter – all from three different women – in a matter of weeks.

Poor financial decisions, casino losses, bad business ventures and child support forced the only boxer to be the undisputed world champion in two different weight classes to sell his 44,234-square-foot, 109-room mansion in Fairburn, Georgia.

In 1999, wife Janice filed for divorce after learning about the two other children born out of wedlock months earlier.

"Dealing with all the mothers of all my kids, there ain't no winning here, man, no winning at all," Holyfield told The Independent. And that's the real deal.

quors and the Road House in Orange Park, asked the BCC to extend alcohol sales on Sundays.

## 40 years ago, 1983

- CCSSO uncovered \$56,000 worth of marijuana plants growing in Clay Hill.
- Orange Park Town Council votes to allow bars to sell alcohol until 2 a.m.
- Janie L. Turner announced she will run to be the Supervisor of Elections.

ey and Donald Trump with ads saying they caved into the company's whims.

Earlier this year, DeSantis said the state had every right to do what it wanted on land in the former Reedy Creek Improvement District, now known as the Central Florida Tourism Oversight District. DeSantis has even joked about the state locking criminals up near Disney World.

"People are like, well, 'What should we do with this land? Maybe create a state park? Maybe try to do more amusement parks,'" DeSantis said before adding the prison quip. "Somebody even said, 'Maybe you need another state prison?' Who knows? I just think that the possibilities are endless, and so that is now going to be analyzed to see what would make the most sense."

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## Susan Soltys honored as NE Florida's Rotarian of the Year

Susan Soltys was recently selected as the Rotarian of the Year by the Northeast Florida chapter. Soltys (center) also honored as the Paul Harris Fellow by club President Sandra Hartley (left) and Ann Breidenstein, Club Foundation Chair. As a Paul Harris Fellow, Soltys was recognized for her devotion to the ideal of goodwill, peace and understanding – a goal of all Rotarians. Soltys has been in the Rotary Club of N.E. Florida since October 2018 and holds the position of club secretary. She is very active in community projects and fundraising. The club meets on the second Tuesday of each month at Bono's Bar-B-Q at 1765 Town Center Blvd. on Fleming Island.

# History

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## 30 years ago, 1993

- Orange Park and Clay County firefighters picket at Orange Park Town Hall to protest the town's proposal to cut three positions.
- The Clay County Sheriff's Office investigated a stabbing of Timothy Finley at a Middleburg convenience store parking lot.
- Dale Eggers, who owns Foremost Li-

# Disney

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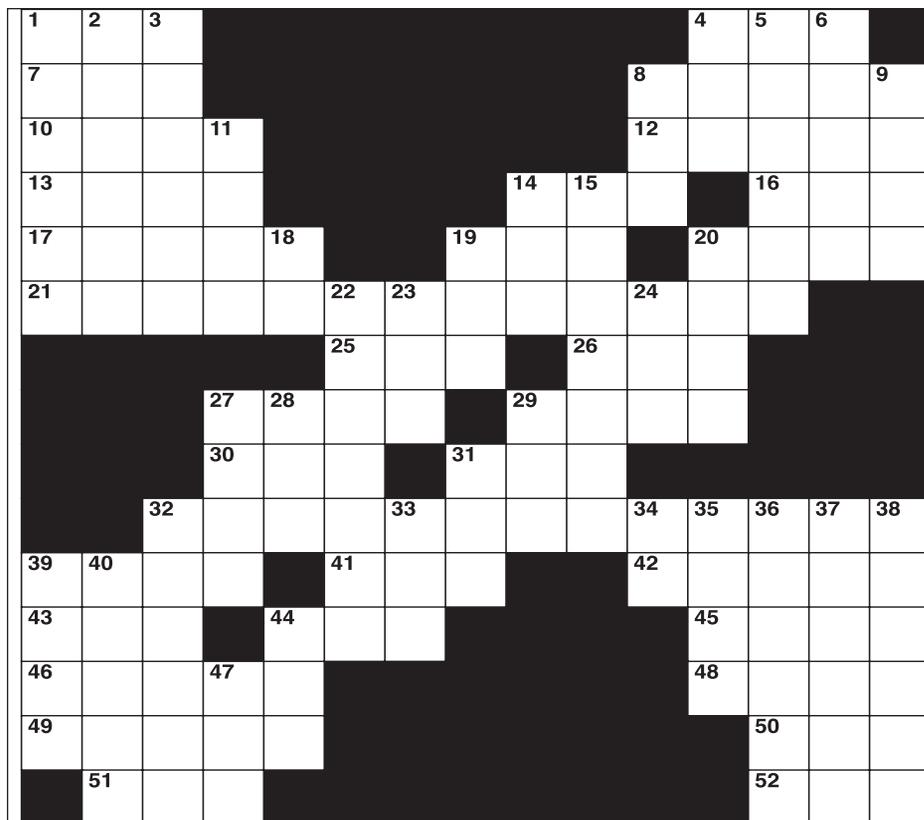
lawsuit," the governor said.

During a July interview on the Clay Travis & Buck Sexton Show, the Florida Governor contended rank-and-file Disney workers are with him and not "woke" executives – comments he bases on the 2022 election.

"The sad part about it, guys, is when we were having this fight with Disney in 2022, most of the employees in their Orlando area theme parks agreed with us," DeSantis said, using election results to make his point.

"I won Osceola County for the first time a Republican has done in a generation by seven (percentage points), which is where the majority of Disney employees live," he added, though it's not accurate to say most voters in the county work for Disney.

Meanwhile, DeSantis' Never Back Down super PAC has targeted 2024 presidential race opponents Nikki Hal-



### CLUES ACROSS

- Second sight
- Standard electrode potential
- Type of gibbon
- John Joseph \_\_: American industrialist
- Manning and Whitney are two
- Abrupt
- Baroque musical instrument
- Post-burning residue
- When you hope to arrive
- Sign up (Brit. Eng.)
- Sun up in New York
- Employee stock ownership plan
- Where people live
- Method to record an electrogram
- Angry
- No longer living
- Simple
- Swiss river
- Portion of a play
- It's under the tree
- Wood sorrels

### CLUES DOWN

- Number of players on each side in a football game
- Containing salt
- Reasoning or knowledge: a \_\_
- Car mechanics group
- Leave a place
- Southern Colombian capital
- Old English letter
- Tide
- Walk heavily
- Chemical compound (abbr.)

- Artificial openings
- Luteinizing hormone
- Unit of energy
- Circular movement of water
- A way of holding
- Popular book of words (abbr.)
- States' group
- Dashes
- Body part
- Electronic countermeasures
- Consumed
- Small bird
- Unhappy
- Football's big game (abbr.)
- Valued object offered in good faith
- Wild goats
- Precede in place
- Small edible fish
- Notice of death
- Body cavity of a metazoan
- Partner to cheese
- Not around

# Pet Partners hosts world's largest pet walk Sept. 23

Event coordinated by Keystone Heights' Ravewood Farms

For Clay Today

ELKTON –The sixth annual Pet Partners World's Largest Pet Walk with local chapter Pet Partners of North Florida activities will be held on Saturday, Sept. 23 at the St. Johns County Equestrian Center, 8200 Smith Road.

The walk will be from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m., and it will include a horse and dog tack and equipment sale, a horse and rider schooling event, vendors, and food and beverages.

Pet Partners is the nation's leading nonprofit organization specializing in partnerships with therapeutic professionals, educational resources, and research-based programming. Individuals trained as animal therapy educators and handlers by the organization and chapters work with nine species of therapy animals for animal-assisted therapies and interventions, including dogs, cats, equines, rabbits, guinea pigs, domestic rats, birds, mini pigs, and alpacas. The local chapter focuses on bringing visiting pet therapy teams to any facility, school, or business that can use a positive diversion through the human-animal bond.

According to resident and owner of Ravenwood Farms in Keystone Heights, Chris Dunn, this year's event is for anyone to participate in the walk with their pets and participate as a vendor in the tack sale and ride in the schooling event with additional family-friendly activities including kid's games, food and beverage and raffles.

Participants walking with equines and horseback riders must show proof of the animal's current Coggins Test. Participants walking with dogs and other pets must show proof of the pet's current rabies vaccine.

"We look forward to having participants gather with friends and family for a casual stroll around the equestrian center or take



a quiet hike with their furry friend. As a special thank you to those who fundraise, Pet Partners of North Florida is offering incentives such as pet bandanas, commemorative T-shirts, and more," Dunn said.

"We appreciate everyone who raises money for Pet Partners while doing something they already enjoy, such as walking with their pets," said Lorri M. Reynolds, a board member with Pet Partners and a resident of Green Cove Springs.

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SUBMITTED PHOTOS

Dale Dunn, a resident and owner of Ravenwood Farms in Keystone Heights, is hosting the Pet Partners World's Largest Pet Walk on Sept. 23 at the St. Johns County Equestrian Center. Dunn plans to walk his horse while his wife, Dale, is happiest around cats.

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U.S. Rep. Aaron Bean heard a breakdown of services that will be offered at The Vineyard Transitional Center from organizer Pastor John Sanders, Sheriff Michelle Cook, Penney Farms President and CEO Teresa Scott and former Green Cove Springs Mayor Van Royal. Bean was so impressed by the future plans he vowed to work closely with Florida Rep. Sam Garrison to find funding.

## The Vineyard Transitional Center gains Bean's support

By Don Coble  
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GREEN COVE SPRINGS – It didn't take long for U.S. Rep. Aaron Bean (FL-4) to join the groundswell of support for The Vineyard Transitional Center during a visit on Thursday, Sept. 7.

The message, not fancy charts and clever Chamber of Commerce-like pitches, was all organizer Pastor John Sanders, Sheriff Michelle Cook, former Green Cove Springs Mayor Van Royal and Penney Farms President and CEO Teresa Scott needed to get a commitment for the Congressman who represents Clay County in Washington, D.C.

"I'm on board," Bean said.

Bean said he will meet with Florida Rep. Sam Garrison (R-18) next month to find ways to fund the nonprofit that works with inmates to transition back into society.

Sanders and Cook expanded a program that provides inmates with temporary housing, life skills counseling and job training.

"Where do you go now? I get out of prison, I'm told I get a bus ticket sometimes, or

I get \$100," Bean asked. "Or is that true?" Sanders laughed. He said too many end up homeless – or back in jail.

The Vineyard and Operation New Hope collaborated to take inmates on a 12-month path to becoming an asset in the community. The program's first seven months start at the Clay County Jail, where qualifying inmates start classes and counseling. The final five months will involve The Vineyard. Those who don't have a place to live can stay in one of the six dorm rooms on Pine Street. They will continue with job training and classes that address anger management and social skills.

The original center was demolished a year ago after engineers said it would cost more to make repairs and refurbish than to build a new one.

Since then, Sanders and the board of directors have worked tirelessly trying to raise \$1 million. A big part of the fundraiser is the annual Pork Butt sale. In fact, there will be a pre-sale event on Saturday, Sept. 14, at 518 Pine St., from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Patrons will be served pork sliders

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## Virginia (Ginny) Wilbanks Chasey

Virginia (Ginny) Wilbanks Chasey, (79), of Orange Park, FL, passed away peacefully on September 3, 2023.

Ginny was born on May 3, 1944, in Gadsden, AL, to Sarah Allen (Clark) Wilbanks and William Heath Wilbanks. She graduated from DeLand High School in DeLand, FL, received her bachelor's degree from the University of Florida and her master's degree from the University of West Florida.

She was a Christian and a member of Pinewood Church in Middleburg, FL. She will forever be remembered for her caring soul that she shared with the world, a deep love of animals, and a steadfast loyalty to her friends and family.

Ginny was a cherished wife, mother, daughter, sister, grandmother, aunt, and friend and will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved her.

She is preceded by her father, William Heath Wilbanks and her mother, Sarah Allen (Clark) Wilbanks. She is survived by her husband, August Chasey; children, Susan (William) May of Jacksonville, FL, Allen Chasey of Peachtree City, GA, and Sally (Mark) Pierce of Senoia, GA; grandchildren: Kate, Erin, and Lindsay Chasey; Sarah and Brian Pierce; her sister, Lila Sandstrom; nieces, Kathyne Bryant, and Virginia (Rick) Hayes.

Ginny will be laid to rest in a private ceremony on Friday, September 15, 2023, in the Jacksonville National Cemetery. At 2pm that afternoon, a celebration in honor



Virginia Wilbanks Chasey

of Ginny's life will be held at Pinewood Church in Middleburg, FL.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made in Ginny's honor to Clay Education Foundation or Clay Humane. Both organizations honor her well, as she was a lifelong teacher and an animal advocate.

## John A Hankins

Mr. John A Hankins, 83 of Fleming Island, passed away Monday, August 28, 2023. Mr. Hankins was born October 4, 1939 in Draper, North Carolina to parents Orion E. and Prudence Hazel (Craig) Hankins.



John served in the United States Navy for 30 years and

was a successful business owner. He was a member of First Baptist Church of Jacksonville, Hibernia Baptist Church of Fleming Island. He loved fishing, gardening, church and fellowship, was a Gator booster, enjoyed reading western novels and most of all, loved his family.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his sister, Shirley Chitwood and grandson, Dathan W. Goodwin. Survivors are his wife of 64 years, Stella (Powell) Hankins of Fleming Island, his children, Cynthia Goodwin (Kenneth) of Orange Park, John David Hankins (Dawn) of Throop, PA, and grandchildren, Jennifer Hamilton (Erik) of Jacksonville, Ashley Goodwin of Jacksonville and John C. Hankins of Throop, PA.

Graveside services will be held at



John A Hankins

Jacksonville Memory Gardens with military honors. Services times will be announced in the near future. Arrangements under the care of Helm-Gallagher Funeral Home & Cremation Services, 1811 Idlewild Avenue, SR 16, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043. 904-284-9696. [www.helmgallagherfh.com](http://www.helmgallagherfh.com)



## John William Naughton

Sadly, John William Naughton, 66, passed away on Monday, September 4, following a valiant and brief battle with cancer. Born in Jacksonville on October 8, 1956, John was a lifelong resident of the St. Nicholas area. Here, he forged enduring friendships, met and married his high school sweetheart, and lovingly raised their children. In 2008, he lost Mary, his beloved wife of 30 years, to cancer.

John dedicated much of his career to the Florida Times Union, where he worked for 30 years until his retirement in 2022. In 2019, John found love anew when he met Ruth Casias who became his cherished partner. In the final years of his life, John embraced the joy of his relationship with Ruth, relishing travel and rediscovering the fullness of life.

Some of his most cherished moments revolved around his two daughters, Jessica, and Megan. He was there for them every step of the way, from coaching their t-ball teams to cheering them on in the stands during their high school and college years to celebrating Jessica's coaching career. His heart was always on the ball field, watching his girls with pride. John took his role as a softball dad to heart, opening his home and heart to his daughters' friends and teammates over the years.

However, his proudest moments were those spent with his beloved grandchildren. Despite the distance, he consistently made the four-hour round trip to be a

steadfast presence in their lives. Whether it was attending midweek school events, birthday parties, or holidays, John was always there with his trademark dad jokes and thoughtful gifts.

John is preceded in death by his wife Mary Heslin Naughton, his parents Daniel and Winifred Naughton, his sisters Patricia Naughton and Claire Howard, and his in-laws Thomas and Evelyn Heslin. He is survived by his partner, Ruth Casias, daughters Jessica Naughton and Megan Licciardello (Ben), and his beloved grandchildren, Benny, Juliana, and Lochlan Licciardello. John is also survived by his brothers Danny (Dianne) Naughton and Michael (Renee) Naughton, as well as 11 nieces and nephews and numerous great-nieces and great-nephews.

John was a loving and devoted husband, father, brother, son, and friend. His affection for his family and friends was boundless, evident to all who had the privilege of knowing him.

Funeral services will be held on October 7th at 11am at Black Creek Methodist Church in Middleburg, Florida. Visitation will be from 10-11am at the church. Burial at Greenlawn Cemetery in Jacksonville immediately following the service. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made in John's honor to the Bishop Kenny Softball Team. Donations can be sent to the Attention to the Advancement Office of Bishop Kenny High School, 1055 Kingman Avenue, Jacksonville FL, 32207.

As a final nod to John's spirit, "Don't forget to put on your best shoes, so he can watch you slide one last time."

*Obituaries continued on page 9*



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## John Carol Padgett

John Carol Padgett, age 85, of Middleburg, Florida passed away on Sunday, September 10, 2023.

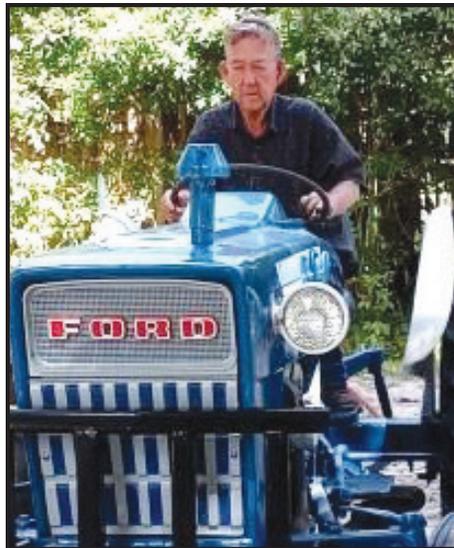
John loved his family and in times he was not working on his tractors, he could be found sitting on his front porch visiting with them. He loved his job of many, many years running heavy equipment/machinery- his favorite jobs were building lakes, dams and other constructions sites.

John is preceded in death by his loving wife of 52 years, Nadine Padgett; parents, Berthie and Preston Padgett.

Survived by son, Steve and daughter-in-law Lisa Padgett; daughter, Carolyn and son-in-law Dickey Davis.

Grandchildren: Jesse (Brittany) Padgett, Alishia (David) Matuschke, Melissa S. Padgett, Nickey (Austin) Graham and D.J. (Rayla) Davis. Ten Great-Grandchildren: Wyatt Spencer, Ryland Matuschke, Emory Padgett, Caleb Matuschke, Mason Spencer, Preston Graham, Paisley Graham, Tripp Davis, Cassie Davis and Lydia Davis.

A visitation for John will be held Thursday, September 14, 2023 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Hardage - Giddens Holly Hill Funeral Home, 3601 Old Jennings Road, Middleburg, FL 32068. Graveside service will be Friday, September 15, 2023 at 10:00



John Carol Padgett

AM at Black Pond Baptist Church, 3681 Old Jennings Road, Middleburg, FL 32068.

Fond memories and expressions of sympathy may be shared at [www.hollyhillfunerals.com](http://www.hollyhillfunerals.com) for the Padgett family.



PHOTOS BY NATALIE GILSTRAP

Residents filled the refectory and sanctuary for the Community Church of Keystone Heights's Centennial Celebration.

## Community Church of Keystone Heights turns 100

By Natalie Gilstrap  
For Clay Today

KEYSTONE HEIGHTS – Community Church of Keystone Heights recently celebrated its 100th anniversary with its long-awaited Centennial Celebration.

The event at the church's Robert Morford Family Life Center attracted residents, congregation members and local officials, including Mayor Nina Rodenroth, City Manager Lynn Rutkowski and Councilmen Tony Brown and Steve Hart.

"This is a testament to God's grace. It's a testament to God's faithfulness and to all the people," Pastor Ray Peters said. "The church is not about a building. The church is about the people."

Peters thanked the Centennial Committee for their hard work ahead of the celebration. The event also had Lynde Jones, the Chairman of the Centennial Committee, speak about the church's

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# Home Alone to roll out free monthly programs

Company to focus on mental health, those affected by Alzheimer's and Dementia

By Lee Wardlaw  
lee@claytodayonline.com

ORANGE PARK – In a post-COVID-19 world where isolation and mental health have shown increasing signs of concern for older people, Home Instead of Orange Park stands as a shining example of how a home care agency can go above and beyond for not only its clients.

Not only does the local care business that has been providing warmhearted and personalized services to seniors in the community offer personalized care, Alzheimer's and Dementia Care, Hospice Support, Chronic Illness Care and more, including companionship, but their community outreach is outstanding.

The nationally recognized provider that has served the county for 26 years will soon roll out two new monthly programs at no cost to the community.

First, Home Instead will offer a workshop for family caregivers called "Maintain Your Brain Health." Looking after brain and mental health is just as important as physical health, and making healthy eating decisions and getting proper exercise can posi-



Kathryn Legat-German, Home Care Consultant at Home Instead, is part of a team that has not only offered great services to seniors in the community for nearly 30 years, but also truly cares for the community.

tively impact memory and help reduce the risk of Alzheimer's Disease and Dementia.

The workshop will offer education on six critical areas of brain health, insights into the importance of brain health throughout life, the impact of caregiving on brain health, the signs of cognitive decline and when to act.

"This is how you can take time for yourself. Don't forget about you. This is brain health; realize that. Unless you have a proper diet and sleep, how will you take care of your mother or grandmother?" said Kathryn Legat-German, a Home Care Con-

sultant for Home Instead.

"Maintain Your Brain Health" will be on Thursday, Sept. 14, from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at Seagrass Village of Fleming Island. Legat-German said the program plans to expand to more assisted living locations in the county.

"This is catching on like fire," she said.

Additionally, Home Instead will partner with Asbury United Methodist Church to put on a Caregiver Support group for families with Alzheimer's and Dementia, where residents can share their stories, experiences, ideas and tips. Legat-German said while the Support Group hasn't held a meeting yet, it has already created a powerful impact.

"We've had local nurses, doctors, and people in the health care industry 'freak out,' because hardly any of these programs exist in the community. This is all free. It is not a way to push our services. This has nothing to do with us. We want to open the dialogue. It's almost like an (Alcoholics Anonymous) meeting. This is a true support group," she said.

The first session will be at the church on Sept. 19 from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. and will continue on the third Tuesday of each month.

Home Instead is focused on Alzheimer's and Dementia awareness, and the free pro-

gram should provide a guiding light to the community, which will provide invaluable support and resources for those facing the unique challenges of caring for loved ones, especially in an environment where family members don't know where to turn for help.

"(People) who utilize this program can say, 'I'm going through this, and I'm not alone. If something happens to your (grandmother or grandfather) everyone in the family wants to chip in, but sometimes it's tough because you don't want to go out and hire a service or put them in an assisted living facility, but you do want to (improve their quality of life)," she said.

With September being World Alzheimer's Month, the timing of the support group meetings is especially important.

Home Instead already supports other programs like "Home Instead Honoring Our Veterans Program," in partnership with Haven Hospice, which provides a helping hand by dedicated volunteers.

The group also will host events at assisted living locations during the week of Veterans Day. The holiday, which honors those who've served in the military, is Saturday, Nov. 11.

"It's all about caring. It's all about passion. It burns within us," Legat-German said.

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# Primrose School's robotic prize benefits Safe Animal Shelter

School finished third in "Ready, Set, Robotics" competition

By Kyla Woodard  
For Clay Today

FLEMING ISLAND – Young "explorers" at the Primrose School of Fleming Island put their skills and bright minds to the test to accomplish something big.

Participating in Primrose Schools' second-annual 'Ready, Set, Robotics!' challenge, the students placed third in the prestigious competition, beating 50 other Primrose schools to win \$1,000 that they donated to the charity of their choice – Safe Animal Shelter.

"I couldn't be more proud of all the hard work that they put in. And, just they're ideas that they come with at such a young age. I'm like, 'Wow, I would have never thought about something like that,'" said Primrose Director Mandy Ross.

For two weeks during the summer, nearly 30 first-through-sixth graders worked in teams to learn how to code and engineer four rescue missions with Dash the robot. Working together, the students aimed to effectively move the robot across an increasingly complex mission grid and around obstacles.

A video of each team's rescue mission

was submitted for evaluation.

The 'Ready, Set, Robotics!' program began last year as a part of the school's Summer Adventure Club. Ross said the program aims to empower students to think creatively and solve problems within and outside of the classroom walls.

"They're learning how to work in groups. And, they're learning how to problem solve with each other amongst a range of age groups, trial and error," said Ross.

The students participated in the competition for the first time last year, and Ross said it was quite intimidating for them. However, this year, the stakes were high. And, Ross said, the explorers came out of the gate swinging and ready to put their skills to work.

"This year ... they came out ready to win. They knew what the expectations were. I'd say they were way more into it this year than last year, just because we knew what to expect," Ross said.

Teacher Robin Dunigan witnessed the students firsthand and said it was a sight. From helping the students get necessary supplies to answering questions, Dunigan said her love for the new program is unmatched.



SUBMITTED PHOTOS

Primrose School of Fleming Island students turned their skills and attention to robotics to finish third place at the "Ready, Set, Robotics" competition. The group then donated their \$1,000 prize to Safe Animal Shelter.

"It's amazing to watch them. It really is," said Dunigan.

Dunigan said watching the students in their element has influenced her way of thinking in many ways.

"I'm learning through them, also. They teach me many things that I didn't know," Dunigan said. When choosing where to donate their winnings, Ross said Safe Animal Shelter was a relatively easy choice. Dunigan recalled one poignant memory where one student made an emotional plea to pick the shelter.

"His statement was, 'The animals give

so much joy to people, that it would be really nice to give something back to them.' And ... there was no argument about where the money was going to," Dunigan said.

For the future, Ross said she hopes to continue creating a space in the school for students to learn, build, and positively interact with each other.

"I couldn't be more proud. To see the growth from last year's challenge and how they took it to this year, it's leaps and bounds better. Just seeing them build those friendships ... has been huge for us," Ross said.

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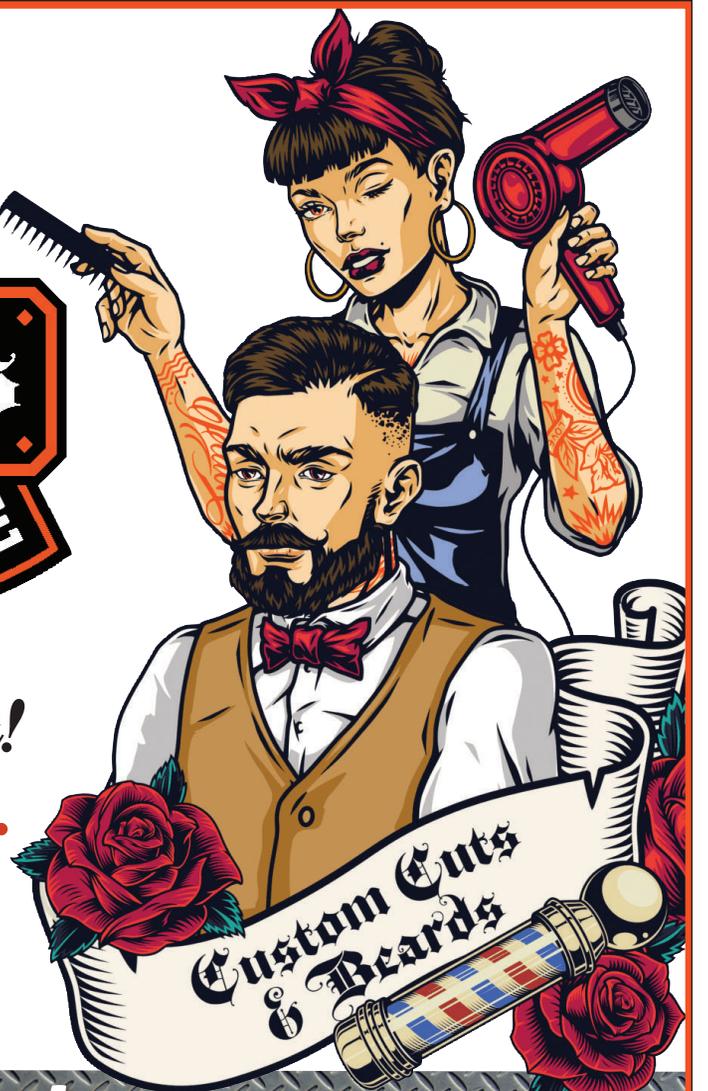


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# Strike up the band: Tea Room of Keystone Heights turns 2 years old

By Natalie Gilstrap  
For Clay Today

KEYSTONE HEIGHTS – Since its opening last year, the Tea Room of Keystone Heights has offered guests a unique tea experience. Now in its second year, the Tea Room is expanding by offering more options for guests to enjoy.

“The Tea Room turns two, and I’m drinking from my saucer because my cup has overflowed,” said owner Jennifer Ford.

Guests will notice a new London phone booth Book Box at the front of the building.

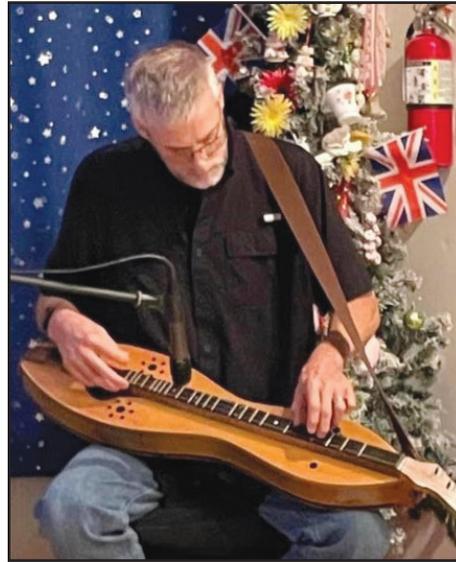
“It’s a replica of a London phone booth. (It’s a) great photo prop, but we wanted to take it a step further and make it functional. So we made it into a lending library or a neighborhood book box.”

Children, adult, cook and self-taught books are available. Residents and guests can

take a book home, donate unwanted books or pose next to the replica.

The Tea Room now offers guests an evening of tea and live music through its Twilight Tea.

“Every month for the past three, this is our fourth month, we’ve been offering Twilight Tea,” Ford said. This new addition is



held once a month from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. and requires RSVP due to limited seating. Guests attending can enjoy a nice cup of decaf tea, desserts such as cookies and wafers, and live music provided by a local musician playing the mountain dulcimer and hammered dulcimer.

“A lot of folks are unfamiliar with both those instruments. So it’s kind of educational as well as entertaining,” she said.



PHOTOS BY NATALIE GILSTRAP

The Tea Room of Keystone Heights recently expanded its amenities to include live music and a London phone booth near the front door that serves as a book box on State Road 21.

Pvera;;. Ford is thankful for the local support from her community and the surrounding area.

“Thank you to our ‘tea-riffic’ supporters and ‘beau-tea-ful’ community for another year,” Ford said.

To celebrate their second anniversary, the Tea Room will be offering tea for two for \$22.22 in September. In addition, Ford is considering offering a Dinner Tea from

October to December for the upcoming holidays. It would be held once a month and would consist of soup, quiche, scones and tea.

Ford is hoping to host Tea with Santa again.

“We did have the Tea with Santa last year, and that was a big hit,” she said.

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**City of Green Cove Springs, Florida-Fiscal Year 2023-2024**

**THE PROPOSED OPERATING BUDGET EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY OF GREEN COVE SPRINGS ARE 5.0% MORE THAN LAST YEAR'S TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURES**

General Fund 4.7000 MILLS					
ESTIMATED REVENUES	GENERAL FUND	SPECIAL REVENUE	DEBT SERVICE	ENTERPRISE UTILITIES	TOTAL ALL FUNDS
Ad Valorem Taxes-Millage \$4.7000 per \$1000	3,159,361				3,159,361
Sales & Use Taxes	2,702,980				2,702,980
Intergovernmental Revenue	4,133,059			318,750	4,451,809
License & Permits	8,000				8,000
Charges for Service	1,201,721	349,500		25,151,970	26,703,191
Fines & Forfeitures	1,310,700				1,310,700
Investment Income	76,000			156,200	232,200
Miscellaneous Revenues	45,000	4,000		166,700	215,700
Loans				9,518,250	9,518,250
<b>TOTAL SOURCES</b>	<b>12,636,821</b>	<b>353,500</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>35,311,870</b>	<b>48,302,191</b>
Transfers in	1,354,000		241,000	1,604,037	3,199,037
Fund Balances/Reserves/Net Assets	1,908,470	68,798		4,411,934	6,389,202
<b>TOTAL REVENUES, TRANSFERS &amp; BALANCES</b>	<b>\$15,899,291</b>	<b>\$422,298</b>	<b>\$241,000</b>	<b>\$41,327,841</b>	<b>\$57,890,430</b>
EXPENDITURES					
General Government Expenses	3,016,459				3,016,459
Public Safety	4,693,288	422,298			5,115,586
Transportation	4,684,207				4,684,207
Physical Environment				35,967,910	35,967,910
Economic Environment	593,145				593,145
Culture & Recreation	2,671,192				2,671,192
Debt Service			241,000	1,605,100	1,846,100
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$15,658,291</b>	<b>\$422,298</b>	<b>\$241,000</b>	<b>\$37,573,010</b>	<b>\$53,894,599</b>
Transfers Out	241,000			2,958,037	3,199,037
Fund Balances/Reserves/Net Assets				796,794	796,794
<b>TOTAL APPROPRIATED EXPENDITURES, TRANSFERS, RESERVES &amp; BALANCES</b>	<b>\$15,899,291</b>	<b>\$422,298</b>	<b>\$241,000</b>	<b>\$41,327,841</b>	<b>\$57,890,430</b>

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

Legal 84385 published September 14, 2023 in Clay County’s Clay Today Newspaper.

# Former Sheriff Darryl Daniels looking to get job back

**Files as 'no party' candidate after being acquitted of seven charges last September**

By Don Coble  
don@claytodayonline.com

CLAY COUNTY – Former Clay County Sheriff Darryl Daniels wants the voters to give him his job back.

Daniels, who was removed from office in 2020 by Gov. Ron DeSantis after he was charged with lying to law enforcement and destroying evidence to cover up an affair with a former subordinate employee, filed paperwork last week to regain his job.

This time, he filed as a No Party Affiliation, which means both Democrats and Republicans can vote for him in the Primary Election on Aug. 20, 2024. Under Florida law, registered Democrats can only vote for Democrats in the primaries and Republicans can only vote for Republicans.

Daniels will join a race that includes incumbent Michelle Cook and newcomer Matthew O'Berry.

Daniels won the job in 2016 as a Republican. He quickly gained national acclaim for his bravado, primarily during major drug busts. A social media post of him following a raid on a drug house in the Hickory Glen subdivision in Orange Park featured him sipping coffee as 15 de-

fendants were paraded from the home in handcuffs.

"As the sheriff of Clay County, I'm telling you if you want to commit crimes in Clay County, you've got options," he said in the post. "You can stop what you're doing, you can leave Clay County or you too will be on the receiving end of this."

He then took a long swig of a cup of coffee and said, "Fifteen going to jail. Three big gulps. Y'all take care, Clay County."

Daniels was less than a week from the primary in 2020 when he was charged with a felony charge of tampering with evidence and misdemeanor counts of giving false information to law enforcement.

The charges stemmed from a coverup of an affair with a younger employee when both worked for the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office.

Cook won the primary five days later, Cook won the Primary Election, beating second-place Daniels by 3,121 votes and four other candidates.

DeSantis then suspended Daniels and put Cook into office on Sept. 1, 2020 – four months ahead of schedule.

Daniels was acquitted of all charges by a Clay County jury last September. He admitted to destroying his cellphone and not being forthcoming with investigators with the Florida Department of Law Enforcement, but he said he did it to hide the affair



CLAY TODAY PHOTO

Former Sheriff Darryl Daniels believed he lost his 2020 re-election bid because some state officials conspired to run him out of office. Eventually acquitted of seven charges, including destroying evidence, Daniels said he has no party affiliation and will seek to regain his old job.

from his wife.

It took less than three hours for the jury to agree with him.

Daniels issued a statement a day after the trial, drawing parallels his legal problems and President Donald Trump.

"I will continue to fight for them to en-

sure that we all receive equal justice under the law," he said. "This abuse cost me my job that I loved, and it cost Clay County their sheriff."

Daniels has maintained a low profile since the acquittal. Attempts to contact him since his filing weren't successful.

## NOTICE OF PROPOSED TAX INCREASE

The City of Green Cove Springs has tentatively adopted a measure to increase its property tax levy.

### Last year's property tax levy:

Initially proposed tax levy	\$2,845,534
Less tax reductions due to Value Adjustment Board and other assessment changes	\$9,690
Actual property tax levy	\$2,835,844

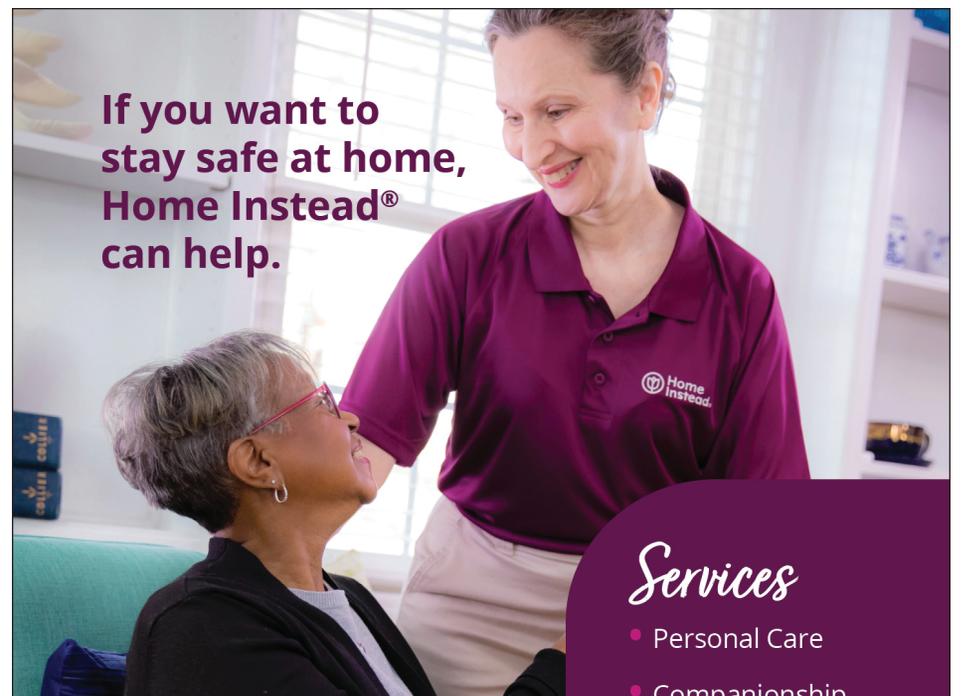
**This year's proposed tax levy** \$3,464,954

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Legal 84389 published September 14, 2023 in Clay County's Clay Today Newspaper.



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**Wells Fargo deposits support for Clay County Habitat for Humanity**

STAFF PHOTO BY DON COBLE

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – Wells Fargo Banks nationwide opened their checkbooks Wednesday to support Habitat for Humanity projects, including a build on Houston Street. Led by Green Cove Springs Branch Manager John Campbell, as many as 20 employees from surrounding branches and volunteers with James Boys Ministry spent the day painting a house being refurbished to help a needy family with a home. Wells Fargo spent \$7.5 million nationwide and targeted 350 builds. Clay County Habitat for Humanity received \$15,000 from the bank. “At Wells Fargo, we believe everyone deserves an opportunity to have a healthy, affordable, and sustainable place to call home,” said Damien D. Haitzuka, Wells Fargo North Florida Regional Executive. “That’s why we are so proud to work alongside Clay County Habitat for Humanity and all they do to make affordable housing a possibility in Clay County. Having our volunteers come out during our Welcome Home season and invest their time and efforts on this project is exciting for us all across the region.”



STAFF PHOTO BY LEE WARDLAW

Zoning Chief Mike Brown told officials about the potential of shifting the duties of the Board of Adjustment to the Planning Commission through a proposed amendment.

**BCC considers moving duties from Board of Adjustment to Planning Commission**

By Lee Wardlaw  
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GREEN COVE SPRINGS – County Commissioners engaged in a discussion regarding a proposed amendment to the County’s Land Development Code to shift the duties of the Board of Adjustment to the Planning Commission. Officials voted unanimously to postpone their final vote until their Sept. 26 meeting.

The two groups both handle land-related issues. The Board of Adjustment attends to specific cases like appeals and variances and the Planning Commission focuses on broader land development matters. The proposed changes that would shift the Board of Adjustment’s duties could also help streamline the process and make it more efficient.

The main reason the ordinance is being proposed is that the Board of Adjustment, which consists of five volunteers that meet once a month, is facing challenges of declining membership and attaining a quorum, the minimum number of members needed to carry out the functions of their meetings, has become an increasing challenge.

Commissioners delayed the vote in hopes of recruiting more volunteers to the board during the next two weeks while also brainstorming strategies to facilitate a smooth transition if the amendment is approved.

“Let’s see if we can make a hard push for volunteer applications (via social media and the county website) to consolidate

(both boards),” said Commissioner Mike Cella.

Cella said that a quorum on the Board of Adjustment has already caused unfair delays to some residents who have already been waiting for a month or longer to have their requests heard and approved.

Cella said he favors the proposed change in principle but that the Planning Commission already has challenges to address. He wanted to ensure the proposed change doesn’t create an even bigger burden on the Planning Commission or further delay residents’ plans.

Thus, commissioners will continue their discussions on the next step while also accepting applications for new volunteers on both boards. If the county eventually shifts the duties of the Board of Adjustment to the Planning Commission through the amendment, they wouldn’t be the first local government in the state to adopt the principle, Zoning Chief Mike Brown said when addressing officials.

Jacksonville, North Palm Beach and Wildwood, along with Santa Rosa and Okeechobee counties, have already turned the Board of Adjustment duties to the Planning Commission.

In St. Johns County, appeals are heard by the Planning and Zoning Agency, Overlay Review Board, or the BCC, depending on the case. The potential changes could add approximately 30 and 45 minutes to the length of meetings for the Planning Commission.

**CITY OF GREEN COVE SPRINGS, FLORIDA  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON THE  
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN  
FISCAL YEARS 2024/2028**

The City of Green Cove Springs will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, September 19, 2023 at 7:00 pm in the City Council Chambers at 321 Walnut St., Green Cove Springs, Florida for the purpose of receiving public comments on the adoption of the Capital Improvement Plan for Fiscal Years 2024/2028

**FISCAL YEAR 2024 PROJECTS**

	BUILDINGS	IMPROVEMENTS OTHER THAN BUILDINGS	MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT	TOTAL
<b>GENERAL FUND:</b>				
General Government	150,000		46,500	196,500
Police			281,507	281,507
Public Works		2,890,000	348,000	3,238,000
Economic Environment		229,000	31,500	260,500
Culture & Recreation	1,567,600	490,000	23,500	2,081,100
<b>Total General Fund</b>	<b>1,717,600</b>	<b>3,609,000</b>	<b>731,007</b>	<b>6,057,607</b>
<b>UTILITY FUND:</b>				
Electric	3,000,000	1,150,000	666,000	4,816,000
Water	50,000	2,126,500	50,000	2,226,500
Wastewater		3,393,750	1,050,000	4,443,750
Solid Waste			573,000	573,000
Reclaimed Water		986,000		986,000
Stormwater		1,834,436	550,000	2,384,436
<b>Total Utility Fund</b>	<b>3,050,000</b>	<b>9,490,686</b>	<b>2,889,000</b>	<b>15,429,686</b>
<b>TOTAL ALL FUNDS:</b>	<b>4,767,600</b>	<b>13,099,686</b>	<b>3,620,007</b>	<b>21,487,293</b>

The Capital Improvement Plan is on file at City Hall, 321 Walnut St., Green Cove Springs, as a public record.

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# Keating

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I promised the Board of Directors I'd give them two good years when I started."

The board discounted Keating's suggestions of retirement. Two years turned into 10, then 10 to 20. And 30. And 40. And 50. Now, she plans to spend more time on the golf course. And she meant it.

Now, the organization has to find just its second chief executive director since Richard Nixon was the president and the U.S. Supreme Court confirmed Roe v. Wade.

"I think it's time for somebody else to have the privilege of leading this incredible organization, you know," she said. "Now they know I'm serious."

Keating left an indelible mark on the county, but none more impactful than putting hundreds of residents with challenges to work. "I can think of no one better characterized as a true pillar in our community," said The Way Free Medical Center Executive Director Don Fann.

Challenge Enterprises isn't a daycare for those with disabilities. According to its website, it provides individuals with unique intellectual, physical, social and emotional needs to live an active, productive and rewarding life.

For many, that means earning a paycheck – and their dignity.

"Nancy Keating's tireless efforts in championing the cause of people with differing abilities and providing them with meaningful employment have created a brighter future for countless individuals, said Impact Clay President and CEO Connie Thomas. "Her dedication exemplifies the power of inclusivity and the potential within each person.

"Through her work, she has not only transformed lives but also shattered stereotypes, proving that everyone deserves the chance to contribute and thrive."

Keating works primarily out of the Green Cove Springs headquarters, but she's also responsible for an office in Orange Park. There, members receive adult day training, residential and supported living supervision, participate in recreation and job training that includes job searching, resume writing, interview skills, workplace etiquette, job-specific skills, conflict resolution, time management, transportation and community competitive employment.

"Nancy Keating is a pioneer who has set a high bar for transformative leadership. Her passion, inventiveness, and unwavering conviction elevate the lives of individuals with disabilities and the broader community," said Amy Parker, Executive Director of The Paul E. and Klare N. Reinhold Foundation, Inc.

"Her dedication to promoting the potential of those often marginalized demonstrates a deep commitment to social impact. The significant growth of her organization is a testament to her effective leadership, innovative thinking, and ability to rally others around a shared mission. Her position as a leading figure in trans-

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forming challenges into opportunities highlights her ability to envision a better future and make it a reality."

The Reinhold Foundation awards \$100,000 to Clay County nonprofits every year, and the group was so impressed with the work at Challenge Enterprises that it won the top award of \$10,000 in 2011 for the Community Service Award and another \$7,000 in 2021 as one of two Judges's Choice Awards.

"The sustainable business model she has developed, with a Social Entrepreneurial approach at its core, is a shining example of how social good and financial viability can go hand in hand," Parker said. "This model not only meets the needs of challenged individuals but also exemplifies the concept of self-sufficiency, earning a substantial portion of funding through service contracts with government entities and private industry."

Keating also was the first recipient of the Extraordinary Executive Director Award from Celebrate Clay.

Challenge Enterprises currently has 265 members employed. Together, they've already earned nearly \$2.2 million. One of the organization's most prominent projects is Shred for Good, which has destroyed as much as 5,000 pounds of personal documents daily.

"I first met Nancy in 1994 when I started at CBHC (Clay Behavioral Health Center)," Irene Toto, CEO of CBHC, said. "We had a small vocational program, and Nancy and her team contacted us about employment opportunities for our clients to work at the base commissary. In the years since we've had many opportunities to collaborate. I've always appreciated her knowledge and her sense of humor.

"She not only challenges the individuals she serves to achieve great things, but she also challenges each of us to see opportunities to build a stronger, healthier community where everyone matters. I'm proud to call her a colleague and friend."

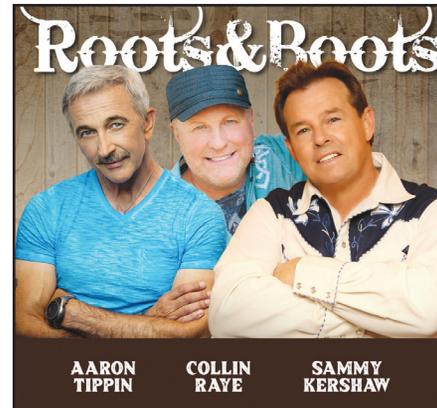
In less than four months, it will be somebody else's job to continue the work, and it will be a tough act to follow.

"We have staff who can help them find a good fit," she said. "We have dignity in our work. We have socialization. We're recognized for our good, the good things that we do. You can't put a price tag on that, which has much greater value than just your paycheck.

"It's a commitment to your social well-being in the society where you live. Everybody needs a chance to contribute to improve the quality of life."

## Thrasher-Horne News [claytodayonline.com](http://claytodayonline.com)

### Tippin, Ray, Kershaw to bring Roots & Boots to Thrasher-Horne on Friday



By Clay Today

ORANGE PARK – What a show this will be: Sammy Kershaw, Aaron Tippin and Collin Raye – three terrific country artists are teaming up for a performance filled with stories and songs and returning to their music's roots.

The trio will bring their Roots and Boots Tour to the Thrasher-Horne Center on Sept. 15 at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are available at [thcenter.org](http://thcenter.org). On stage together, with one band, they'll play 40-plus Top 10 hits, like "You've Got to Stand For Something," "She Don't Know She's Beautiful," "Love, Me" and so much more.

These are the voices that defined country music in the 1990s.

#### Grammy award winner Ricky Skaggs coming to Thrasher-Horne

ORANGE PARK – During his 50-plus-year career, Ricky Skaggs has won 15 Grammy Awards, eight CMA Awards, nine ACM Awards, 13 International Bluegrass Music Association Awards, nine ICM Awards, two Dove Awards, three honorary Doctorate degrees and countless other awards.

Skaggs will bring his band, Kentucky Thunder, to the Thrasher-Horne stage on Feb. 9 at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, on sale now to members, are available at the box office or at [thcenter.org](http://thcenter.org).

#### Mamma Mia! Almost ABBA Tribute headed to Thrasher-Horne

ORANGE PARK – Almost ABBA, the No. 1 tribute to Swedish supergroup ABBA, will be at the Thrasher-Horne

Center on March 15 at 7:30 p.m.

The group recreates the magic and nostalgia of ABBA in a costumed, choreographed, audience-interactive experience. This dynamic show has performed for the U.S. military, NBC, Universal and the release of MAMMA MIA!

Almost ABBA has performed for audiences of as many as 50,000 and was recently asked to open for Cher on her "Here We Go Again" Tour of Australia.

With their look alike, sound alike performance, intricate harmonies and top-notch musicianship, they truly live up to their name, Almost ABBA!

Tickets, which start at \$29, are available at the box office or at [thcenter.org](http://thcenter.org).

#### The Rat Pack to relive Las Vegas experience in March

ORANGE PARK – Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin and Sammy Davis Jr. return to stages all across America as our three critically acclaimed entertainers resurrect the famous and infamous Rat Pack.

Sinatra, Martin and Davis were the kings of Las Vegas Swing and formed The Rat Pack as their nightly on-stage party. Relive those amazing nights on March 16 at the Thrasher-Horne Center with their international star performers.

Featuring a live orchestra and the fabulous Swinging Showgirls, The Rat Pack – One More Time! is an uncanny trip back in time when Vegas was at its hottest. For tickets, visit [thcenter.org](http://thcenter.org).

#### Get tickets for Dinosaur World Live before they become extinct

ORANGE PARK – Dare to experience the dangers and delights of Dinosaur World Live in this roarsome interactive show for all the family. Grab your compass and join our intrepid explorer across uncharted territories to discover a pre-historic world of astonishing (and remarkably life-like) dinosaurs. Dinosaur World Live will make a stop at the Thrasher-Horne Center on April 4 at 7 p.m. Tickets, which start at \$19, are available at the box office or at [thcenter.org](http://thcenter.org).

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# County dedicates portion of State Road 230 for Dr. Peter J. Gianas

By Lee Wardlaw  
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GREEN COVE SPRINGS – In a heartfelt tribute to a late local hero who dedicated his life to saving others, the Board of County Commissioners issued a proclamation honoring Dr. Peter J. Gianas by passing a resolution dedicating a portion of State Road 230 to “Dr. Peter J. Gianas Memorial Highway.”

Affectionally known as “Dr. G.,” Gianas was not only a brilliant but also a compassionate person who cared for people for more than 20 years. He was the Medical Director for several public safety agencies, including the fire departments of Clay, Alachua, Bradford, Gilchrist and Union counties. Gianas, who died in 2021, lived near Kingsley Lake.

“We are honoring a real pillar of the (entire) North Central Florida region,” said BCC Chair Betsy Condon. “He played a significant role in training our paramedics in advanced life support techniques.”

He was an integral part of the health operation for several local organizations and medical programs in the area. Gianas oversaw a complete rewrite of the county’s Emergency Medical Services standard operating procedures, served on the Board of Directors for the Area Health Education Center and the International Trauma Life Support Board and worked with many state and rural EMS organizations. He even developed an Advanced Airway Training Course with the University of Maryland.

Several of Gianas’ friends and colleagues, including several county fire chiefs and his friends, spoke highly of Dr. G. Friends Allen Parrish and Scotty Taylor,



Fire chiefs from several counties, including Clay, were at Tuesday’s Board of County Commission meeting to honor their late friend, Dr. Peter J. Gianas. The BCC renamed a portion of State Road 230 to “Dr. Peter J. Gianas Memorial Highway.”

STAFF PHOTOS BY LEE WARDLAW

who accepted the award on behalf of his family.

“I know it’s a proclamation a lot of his supporters have been waiting for, and we’re pleased to bring it to you today,” said Commissioner Mike Cella.

Reflecting on his close friendship with Gianas, Robert Autry, who lives on Hampton Lake in Bradford County, said, “He was the best friend there ever was. He would do anything for you. He was a very giving person. I could bring my grandchild by, and

he would look at her ear. It didn’t matter what it was. He would do it. (Gianas) was a great man.”

Autry’s wife provided context on the significance of naming the portion of State Road 230 now named for him.

“He would leave his house at Kingsley Lake and travel to Bradford County Hospital, which became Santa Fe Health Care and then Shands Stark Medical Center. That was his main route from his house, and that is the artery that served our com-

munity,” she said.

Autry described Gianas as humble. “He wouldn’t want all of the attention. He was very modest. But we certainly appreciate what Clay County has done with the proclamation. We just need to get Bradford County on board now,” he said.

The county’s decision to honor Gianas is not only a tribute but a celebration of his spirit of dedication to his selflessness, education and service to the community.

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Save Our Lakes' Vivian Katz James gave city commissioners details on a proposed Americans with Disabilities Act-accessible fishing pier at Keystone Beach. The project would include a fixed and floating dock. The council agreed to add the proposal to a future meeting.

The only airport-related matter on the agenda was letting the voters decide.

"I see that the (authority) leadership has just gone above and beyond with the improvements of the airport, the balance sheet, the financials, making money, and I don't really see why," David Nichols said. "You know, why would the city want to change the course that's going on."

In other business, the council tentatively approved a 4.2901 millage rate – a 6.48% increase – and an overall budget of \$3,387,623 at its next meeting on Sept. 25. The next fiscal budget, which starts on Oct. 1.

Also, Save Our Lakes' Vivian Katz James asked the council to consider the construction of an Americans with Disabilities Act-compliance fishing pier at Keystone Beach.

Holbrook Manufacturing's Scott Slater

viewed the site in July and prepared an initial budget that could cost the city as much as \$221,010.

"I think it's going to be an extremely good opportunity to add to the beach to make it accessible ADA accessible for everyone, a great fishing pier and it will add to the pavilion and then swimming area," she said.

The plans called for a 5-foot-wide, 150-foot-long fixed pier, a 4-foot-wide by 40-foot-long gangway and a 50-foot-long floating dock.

If approved, the floating dock railing sections could be removed to install six jet ski ports.

James' presentation was during the public comments portion of the meeting. The council agreed to add it to the agenda at a future meeting.

## Airport

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the appointed authority board.

Residents appeared to be united in their support for the current system where the city appoints board members.

"What are the specific legitimate reasons for eliminating the Keystone Heights Airport Authority? I think we know the answer. (You) don't have any specific legitimate reasons," said airport tenant David Kirkland. "You've never had the FAA, FDOT, and federal and state environmental enti-

ties or any other agencies come before this council and say to you there is a problem at the Keystone Heights Airport.

"Financial audits prove we're fiscally sound. Our FDOT annual inspections continue to show that the airport authority and staff are excellently maintaining the airport's day-to-day operations."

Kirkland said fuel sales and leases in 2022 and 2023 show the airport has earned \$1,120,457. He also said MHD Rockland, the largest tenant at the airport, is withholding a \$25 million project to build a campus, administration offices and hangars until the matter is resolved."



Keystone Heights resident David Nichols was one of 11 residents who opposed a plan to abolish the Keystone Heights Airport Authority and replace it with a manager hired by the city.



MHD Rockland has put a \$25 million project to build hangars, offices and a campus at the airport until it knows if the authority or city will manage the airport.

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# Community Calendar

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**AARON TIPPIN, COLIN RAYE AND SAMMY KERSHAW:** will bring their Roots and Boots Tour to the Thrasher-Horne Center, 283 College Dr. in Orange Park, on Sept. 15 at 7:30 p.m. Tickets start at \$39 and are available at thcenter.org.

**MIND-BODY YOGA:** will be on Sept. 15 at 9 a.m. at the Fleming Island Library, 1895 Town Center Blvd. The session is free and open to the public.

**THOMAS RHETT'S HOMETOWN TOUR:** will be at the VyStar Veterans Memorial Arena, 300 A. Philip Randolph Blvd. in Jacksonville on Sept. 15 at 7:30 p.m. Special guests include Cole Swindell and Nate Smith. Tickets, which start at \$40.50, are available at axs.com.

**JACKSONVILLE SYMPHONY:** will perform two Community Concerts on Sept. 15 and 16 at 7:30 p.m. in Jacoby Symphony Hall, 300 Water St., Jacksonville. The shows will preview the season's musical offerings. The concerts are free, and to claim tickets, visit JaxSymphony.org.

**HICKORY TRAIL NATURE HIKE:** will be on Sept. 16 at 9:30 a.m. at Camp

Chowenwaw, 1517 Ball Road in Green Cove Springs. The event is free. Bring bug spray, bottled water and closed-toe shoes. You can register at forms.office.com/g/rnPhXtPeBG.

**VINEYARD TRANSITIONAL CENTER BOSTON BUTT PRELAUNCH:** will be on Sept. 16 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at 518 Pine St. in Green Cove Springs. The event will allow residents to pre-order their smoked Thanksgiving Boston Butt which will benefit the center's building fundraising project. Free pork sliders with sides and music from Ashton Taylor will be featured. Call Pastor John Sanders at (904) 305-4641 or Joseph Smith at (904) 343-1869 for more information.

**ORANGE PARK HISTORICAL SOCIETY ROAD TRIP:** is Sept. 16 at 9:30 a.m. Members will meet at the parking lot of Orange Park Town Hall and carpool to the Florida Agriculture Museum in Palm Coast for a 90-minute tour of the museum, including a fully-stocked general store, five buildings from a citrus complex, a 1920s dairy barn and a brief wagon ride to an

authentic Florida Cracker Homestead and Florida Cracker Livestock. Tour costs \$12. Visit ophistory.org for more information.

**LIL BABY'S IT'S ONLY US TOUR:** will be at the VyStar Veterans Memorial Arena, 300 A. Philip Randolph Blvd. in Jacksonville on Sept. 16 at 7 p.m. Special guests include Glorilla, Rylo Rodriguez, Gloss Up and Hunxho. Tickets, which start at \$56.50, are available at axs.com.

**ORANGE PARK FARMERS AND ARTS MARKET:** will be on Sept. 17 from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. at Town Hall Park, 2042 Park Ave.

**GREEN COVE SPRINGS CITY COUNCIL:** will meet on Sept. 19 at 7 p.m. in council chambers at 321 Walnut St.

**ORANGE PARK TOWN COUNCIL:** will meet on Sept. 19 at 7 p.m. in town council chambers, 2042 Park Ave.

**ORANGE PARK AUDIT SELECTION COMMITTEE:** will meet on Sept. 19 from 4-6 p.m. at town council chambers, 2042 Park Ave.

**KEYSTONE HEIGHTS HERITAGE COMMISSION:** will meet on Sept. 19 at 10 a.m. at City Hall, 555 S. Lawrence Blvd.

**HOME INSTEAD CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP:** will host its Alzheimer's and Dementia meeting on Sept. 19 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at the Asbury United Methodist Church, 16 College Dr. in Orange Park. Families needing information on deal-

ing with the disorders are encouraged to attend the free event.

**ELDERSOURCE BOARD OF DIRECTORS:** will meet virtually on Sept. 20 at noon. To join the meeting, visit Zoom's my-eldersource-org.zoom.us/j/87208287268 or join by phone at (929) 436-2866 and use meeting ID code: 872 0828 7268 #.

**LAKE REGION KIWANIS:** will meet on Sept. 21 at 6 p.m. Clyde's Cozy Corner Café, 195 S. Lawrence Blvd. in Keystone Heights.

**CLAY COUNTY DEVELOPMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE:** will meet on Sept. 21 at 10 a.m. at the BCC Meeting Room, fourth floor, at Administration Building, 477 Houston St. in Green Cove Springs.

**FLORIDA REP. BOBBY PAYNE:** will hold office hours on Sept. 21 from 9 a.m.-noon at Keystone Heights City Hall, 555 S. Lawrence Blvd. For more information, call Tammy Still at (352) 732-1244 or email her at tammy.still@myfloridahouse.gov.

**CLAY COUNTY TOURIST DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL GRANT SUBCOMMITTEE:** will meet on Sept. 21 at 9 a.m. at the BCC Meeting Room, fourth floor, at Administration Building, 477 Houston St. in Green Cove Springs.

**BRETT YOUNG:** with special guests Jake Scott and Griffen Palmer will play on Sept. 21 at 7 p.m. at the Saint Augustine

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## BUDGET SUMMARY

### TOWN OF ORANGE PARK FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024

General fund 5.70000

ESTIMATED REVENUES	GENERAL FUND	SPECIAL REVENUE	CAPITAL PROJECTS	ENTERPRISE FUNDS	TOTAL ALL FUNDS
Taxes: Millage per \$1000					
<b>AD VALOREM 5.7000</b>	\$ 4,354,479				\$ 4,354,479
Other Taxes	\$ 1,798,800	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 1,300,000		\$ 4,098,800
Franchise Fees	\$ 921,000				\$ 921,000
Licenses and Permits		\$ 184,200			\$ 184,200
Intergovernmental	\$ 2,009,086				\$ 2,009,086
Charges for Services	\$ 2,135,362			\$ 5,085,200	\$ 7,220,562
Fines & Forfeitures	\$ 1,015,000	\$ 11,000			\$ 1,026,000
Investment Income	\$ 64,850	\$ 2,548	\$ 14,611	\$ 27,950	\$ 109,959
Miscellaneous Revenue	\$ 49,600	\$ -		\$ -	\$ 49,600
<b>TOTAL SOURCES</b>	<b>\$ 12,348,177</b>	<b>\$ 1,197,748</b>	<b>\$ 1,314,611</b>	<b>\$ 5,113,150</b>	<b>\$ 19,973,686</b>
Transfers In	\$ 552,320		\$ -		\$ 552,320
Fund Balances/Reserves/Net Assets	\$ 2,751,296	\$ 62,167	\$ (440,611)	\$ 1,148,514	\$ 3,521,366
<b>TOTAL REVENUES, TRANSFERS AND BALANCES</b>	<b>\$ 15,651,793</b>	<b>\$ 1,259,915</b>	<b>\$ 874,000</b>	<b>\$ 6,261,664</b>	<b>\$ 24,047,372</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>					
Administration	\$ 517,588				\$ 517,588
Finance	\$ 508,638				\$ 508,638
Police	\$ 4,104,891	\$ 45,000	\$ 150,500		\$ 4,300,391
Fire	\$ 2,882,265				\$ 2,882,265
Economic and Community Development	\$ 509,411	\$ 124,115	\$ 216,000		\$ 849,526
Public Works	\$ 3,666,002	\$ 998,500	\$ 499,500	\$ 5,801,644	\$ 10,965,646
Other Financing Uses	\$ 3,462,999		\$ 8,000		\$ 3,470,999
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$ 15,651,793</b>	<b>\$ 1,167,615</b>	<b>\$ 874,000</b>	<b>\$ 5,801,644</b>	<b>\$ 23,495,052</b>
Transfers Out	\$ -	\$ 92,300		\$ 460,020	\$ 552,320
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND TRANSFERS, RESERVES &amp; BALANCES</b>	<b>\$ 15,651,793</b>	<b>\$ 1,259,915</b>	<b>\$ 874,000</b>	<b>\$ 6,261,664</b>	<b>\$ 24,047,372</b>

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

# Calendar

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Amphitheatre, 1340C A1A South. Tickets, which start at \$39, are available at ticketmaster.com.

**MIND-BODY YOGA:** will be on Sept. 22 at 9 a.m. at the Fleming Island Library, 1895 Town Center Blvd. The session is free and open to the public.

**NE-YO: CHAMPAGNE AND ROSES TOUR:** will be on Sept. 22 with special guest Robin Thicke and Mario at Daily's Place Amphitheater, 1 Daily's Place in Jacksonville adjacent to EverBank Stadium on Sept. 13 at 7:30 p.m. For tickets, which start at \$49.95, are available at ticketmaster.com.

**RECOVERY CELEBRATION:** will be on Sept. 23 from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Veterans Administration Offices, 400 College Dr. in Middleburg. Hosted by Clay Behavioral Health Center, Clay County Fire Rescue and Groups Recover Together, who are living in recovery of addiction and other behavioral health disorders. Event will include fun, food, music, live DJ, recovery partners, resources, vendors and wall of remembrance. Pets are allowed. Contact Glenn East at (904) 504-7723 for more information.

**ORANGE PARK AFTER DARK:** will be on Sept. 23 at 6 p.m. at Town Hall Park, 2042 Park Ave. Food trucks and live music with Shane Myers will be available. Bring your own blankets. Coolers are welcome.

**PLAIN WHITE T'S:** will play on Sept. 23

at 8 p.m. at the Thrasher-Horne Center, 283 College Dr. in Orange Park. Tickets, which start at 39, are available at thcenter.org.

**WU-TANG AND NAS: NY STATE OF MIND TOUR:** will be on Sept. 23 with special guest De La Soul at 8 p.m. at Daily's Place Amphitheater, 1 Daily's Place in Jacksonville adjacent to EverBank Stadium on Sept. 13 at 7:30 p.m. For tickets, which start at \$49.95, are available at ticketmaster.com.

**YONDER MOUNTAIN STRING BAND, RAILROAD EARTH, KELLER AND KEELS:** will play at the St. Augustine Amphitheatre, 1340C A1A South at 6 p.m. on Sept. 23. This event is sold out.

**UF/IFAS EXTENSION GARDENING ADVICE SERIES:** will focus on how to properly dispose of yard debris and protect Florida's waters on Sept. 25 from 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at the Extension Office, 2463 State Road 16 in Green Cove Springs. For more information, call (904) 284-6355 or email whhobbs@ufl.edu.

**KEYSTONE HEIGHTS CITY COUNCIL:** will meet on Sept. 25 at 6 p.m. at City Hall, 555 S. Lawrence Blvd.

**THOMAS RHETT: HOMETEAM TOUR 23:** will be on Sept. 25 at 7:30 p.m. at the VyStar Veterans Memorial Arena, 300 A. Philip Randolph Blvd., Jacksonville. Tickets are available at ticketmaster.com.

**CLAY COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD:** will conduct a workshop Sept. 26 at 9 a.m. in the Multi-Purpose Center at H.C. Long Building, 23 Green St. in Green Cove Springs.

**CLAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:** will meet on Sept. 26 at 4 p.m. at the BCC Meeting Room, fourth floor, at Administration Building, 477 Houston St. in Green Cove Springs.

**ORANGE PARK PUBLIC SAFETY/PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE:** will be on Sept. 26 at 6 p.m. in town council chambers, 2042 Park Ave.

**GREEN COVE SPRINGS PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD:** will meet on Sept. 26 at 5 p.m. at council chambers, 321 Walnut St.

**ORANGE PARK HISTORICAL PRESERVATION BOARD:** will meet on Sept. 28 at 4 p.m. in town council chambers, 2042 Park Ave.

**CLAY COUNTY BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT** will meet on Sept. 28 at 6 p.m. at the BCC Meeting Room, fourth floor, at Administration Building, 477 Houston St. in Green Cove Springs.

**CLAY COUNTY DEVELOPMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE:** will meet on Sept. 28 at 10 a.m. at the BCC Meeting Room, fourth floor, at Administration Building, 477 Houston St. in Green Cove Springs.

**LAKE REGION KIWANIS:** will meet on Sept. 28 at 7:30 a.m. at the Montgomery Center, 88 SE 75<sup>th</sup> St. in Starke.

**MIND-BODY YOGA:** will be on Sept. 29 at 9 a.m. at the Fleming Island Library, 1895 Town Center Blvd. The session is free and open to the public.

**CARIN LEON'S COLMILLO DE LECHE TOUR:** will be at the VyStar Veterans Memorial Arena, 300 A. Philip Randolph Blvd. in Jacksonville on Sept. 29 at 8 p.m. Tickets,

which start at \$75, are available at axs.com.

**JUNIOR WOMEN'S CLUB OF KEYSTONE HEIGHTS:** will host its second annual Almost Fall Festival on Sept. 30 from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Keystone Heights Woman's Club, 6747 Women's Club Drive. There will be more than 60 vendors.

**ORANGE PARK FARMERS AND ARTS MARKET:** will be on Oct. 1 from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. at Town Hall Park, 2042 Park Ave.

**KEYSTONE HEIGHTS CITY COUNCIL:** will meet on Oct. 2 at 6 p.m. at City Hall, 555 S. Lawrence Blvd.

**NATIONAL NIGHT OUT:** is on Oct. 3 from 5-9 p.m. The Clay County Sheriff's Office will have deputies on hand to share information to promote community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie. To register your neighborhood, visit clay-sheriff.com or thodges@claysheriff.com.

**ORANGE PARK TOWN COUNCIL:** will meet on Oct. 3 at 7 p.m. in town council chambers, 2042 Park Ave.

**GREEN COVE SPRINGS CITY COUNCIL:** will meet on Oct. 3 at 7 p.m. in council chambers at 321 Walnut St.

**CLAY COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION:** will meet on Oct. 3 at 5 p.m. at the BCC Meeting Room, fourth floor, at Administration Building, 477 Houston St. in Green Cove Springs.

**DUSTIN LYNCH: THE 2023 FURYK FOUNDATION CONCERT:** will be on Oct. 3 at 7 p.m. at Daily's Place Amphitheater, 1 Daily's Place in Jacksonville adjacent to EverBank Stadium on Sept. 13 at 7:30 p.m. For tickets, which start at \$29.95, are available at ticketmaster.com.

## NOTICE OF PROPOSED TAX INCREASE

The Town of Orange Park has tentatively adopted a measure to increase its property tax levy.

### Last year's property tax levy:

A. Initially proposed tax levy.....	\$	<u>4,224,759</u>
B. Less tax reductions due to Value Adjustment Board and other assessment changes.....	\$	<u>2,113</u>
C. Actual property tax levy.....	\$	<u>4,222,646</u>

**This year's proposed tax levy.....\$ 4,535,915**

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

SEPTEMBER 19, 2023

7:00 PM

at

2042 PARK AVENUE, ORANGE PARK, FLORIDA 32073

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

Legal 83987 published September 14, 2023 in Clay County's Clay Today.

## Vineyard

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and a side dish, while Ashton Taylor will provide entertainment. Since more than 600 butts were smoked a year ago, Sanders said he needed to know how many he would need ahead of Thanksgiving.

The group said they are about halfway toward their \$1 million goal. But plans are moving toward a grand re-opening around Christmas time in 2024.

Royal said residents at the center will get the attention and opportunity to be productive members of the community.

"We're three blocks from the new culinary arts program at the Augusta Savage Center," Royal said. "Mike Vallencourt (of Vallencourt Construction Co.) walked to his office from here, and these 12 guys (residents), Mike said he can pick them up and put them to work just like that. We also talked to Reggie (Fullwood, President and CEO of Operation New Hope in Jacksonville) yesterday about getting a bus to carry them to the part-time welding school in Palatka."

Once an inmate is released, Cook said the county benefits more if they return to work and stay out of trouble.

"Talk about your natural fit," she said. "No program like this exists in Clay County. From a public safety standpoint, I would love to be able to work ourselves out of a job. We don't want people coming back to

jail. We want to give them every opportunity to be successful, give them every opportunity to support their family, support their kids.

"When we have them in our jail, we do programs for them. But once they walk out the door, we cannot continue that relationship. This is a continuance of that pathway. Instead of going 30, 60, 90, 120 days in jail again, they can continue to be here and have mentorship and guidance for the rest of their life because they can always come back to the office and get more assistance, training, and help. We don't have anything like this. And so this allows us to give people who truly want to make their lives better."

Bean was impressed and vowed to do his part.

"In the auction business, once we reach a level of mutually agreed, a level where everybody agrees, we say sold. I'm going to say sold because I'm on board to help sell it.

"The United States is struggling with its budget right now. So, we have to look at what programs are out there that we would qualify for. I have a great friend Sam Garrison, who is also going to be doing big things in the Florida Legislature. We want to reach out to him, but I'm going to be one of your ambassadors now."

For more information or to help The Vineyard Transitional Center, contact Sanders at (904) 305-4641 or Joseph Smith at (904) 343-1869.



## Faith Walk

by Pastor Billy Register  
True Life Church  
Clay County

### Is the Bible True?

In a world filled with a myriad of conflicting worldviews, a fundamental question seems to constantly arise: Is the Bible true?

Proverbs 30:5–6 emphatically teaches, “Every word of God proves true. He is a shield to all who come to him for protection. Do not add to his words, or he may rebuke you and expose you as a liar.” These verses affirm that every word in the Bible is true, serving as a protective shield for those who seek refuge in God’s promises. This reassures us that the Bible is not just a collection of stories, but a source of unshakable truth and the very words of God Himself.

2 Timothy 3:16 reinforces this belief: “All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful to teach us what is true and to make us realize what is wrong in our lives. It corrects us when we are wrong and teaches us to do what is right.” These words tell us that the Bible is God’s inspired message. It guides us, helping us discern truth from error and leading us toward righteousness.

John 17:17 encapsulates the essence of God’s truth: “Make them holy by your truth; teach them your word, which is truth.” In this prayer of Jesus, we find the affirmation that God’s Word is truth itself. It has the power to transform us, to make us holy, and to lead us in the path of truth.

So, is the Bible true? Absolutely! It is the living Word of God, an unwavering source of truth in a world often filled with confusion. It is our guide, our teacher, and our source of wisdom. In its pages, we discover the timeless message of a loving Creator who reveals Himself and His purpose to humanity.

As we navigate this life, we should anchor ourselves in the unchanging truth of the Bible. Let us approach its words with reverence and an open heart, seeking to know the God who imparts His truth through its pages. In a world where truth may appear uncertain, we have the privilege of holding onto the steadfast truth found in the Bible. This truth guides us, sustains us, and transforms us into the image of the One, as stated in John 14:6, who is the Way, the Truth, and the Life.

You can write the Pastor at [pastor-billy@findtruelife.com](mailto:pastor-billy@findtruelife.com).



### Prelaunch party for Vineyard’s Boston Butt fundraiser on Saturday

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – The Vineyard Transitional Center will host its Boston Butt fundraising prelaunch party on Sept. 16 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the facility’s future home dedicated to providing life skill training, housing and counseling to former inmates from the Clay County Jail.

The Boston Butt Cookoff is one of Vineyard’s most-popular fundraisers. Last year, the nonprofit sold more than 600 to support the fundraising project to build a new center at 518 Pine St.

The kickoff launch will include a free lunch of pork sliders and side dishes. Singer/songwriter Ashton Taylor will perform music. Patrons will be able to pre-order their smoked Thanksgiving Boston Butts.

For more information, contact Pastor John Sanders at (904) 305-4641 or Joseph Smith at (904) 343-1869.

### Families affected by addictions invited to Recovery Celebration on Sept. 23

MIDDLEBURG – September is Recovery Month, a time to celebrate those re-

covering from addiction or other mental health issues. Clay Behavioral Health Center has set a Recovery Celebration for Saturday, Sept. 23.

“Our theme this year is Recovery is For Everyone: Every Person, Every Family, Every Community,” said Irene Toto, CEO of Clay Behavioral. “Supporting people in recovery means lowering barriers to recovery support, creating inclusive spaces and programs, and broadening awareness of the need to reduce the stigma.

“The people in recovery need the entire community. The Recovery Celebration aims to increase awareness about the services and programs available here in Clay County. Often, individuals who experience mental health or a substance use disorder can feel isolated and alone. Yet, every year, millions of Americans experience the same thing. It is important that collectively we offer support and acceptance.”

The Recovery Celebration will be from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Veterans Administration Office, 400 College Dr. It will include food trucks, a live DJ, local vendors, a Wall of Remembrance and information and support from Recovery Partners.

Groups sponsor the event Recover Together and Clay County Public Safety Community Paramedicine. Contact Glenn East at (904) 504-7723 for more information.

### Challenge Enterprises’ Uptown Hoedown to kick up a storm on Sept. 28

ORTEGA – Challenge Enterprise will host one of its biggest fundraising events of the year – The Uptown Hoedown – on Thursday, Sept. 28, from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. at the Timuquana Country Club.

The party at 4028 Timuquana Road in

Jacksonville will include a night of “boots, food, beverages, silent auctions and good ol’ country fun” to benefit the organization’s programs that support individuals with intellectual, physical and developmental disabilities, all while helping families navigate Florida’s eligibility services.

Tickets and sponsorships are available at [challengeenterprises.org](http://challengeenterprises.org).

### County looking for suggestions on its Gateway to Clay project

CLAY COUNTY – Residents living on or near Wells Road are encouraged to complete a survey to share ideas for the Gateway to Clay initiative. The project is a partnership between public safety, government and businesses to improve Wells Road.

The survey is available at [claycounty.gov/community/gateway-to-clay](http://claycounty.gov/community/gateway-to-clay).

### Jacksonville Symphony presenting two free concerts

JACKSONVILLE – The Jacksonville Symphony announces its annual Community Concerts, presented by Haskell. A Symphony tradition, these concerts welcome all of Jacksonville to Jacoby Symphony Hall for a preview of the season’s musical offerings. Performances will be on Friday, Sept. 15, and Saturday, Sept. 16 at 7:30 p.m. in Jacoby Symphony Hall.

Both Community Concert performances are free and open to all and will feature a lively mix of Classical and Pops favorites. Admission to the Community Concerts is free, but a ticket is required. Up to four free tickets are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Contact Haley Cox, Group Sales and Community Engagement Manager, for larger groups at [## 100 from page 9](mailto:hcox@jax-</a></p>
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humble beginnings and thanked the individuals involved in putting together the event.

Guests heard key contributors like Johnny Brooks and former church pastor Rob Morford, who shared their testimonies and Community Church’s influence on their lives.

Rodenroth gave a mayoral declaration, stating Sept. 10 as Community Church Day in honor of its 100th anniversary. The declaration was entered into the city record



on Monday during the city council meeting.

The Keystone Heights Heritage Commission presented the church with a Heritage Commission plaque. Guests enjoyed other festivities such as viewing historical

photos of the church’s history, lunch and dessert.

More than 400 guests made the church’s 100th celebration a success. Laughter, cheers and conversations could be heard throughout the building as guests enjoyed the festivities.

“I think it’s fantastic. What a way to bring together the community and showcase what they have done for the past 100 years,” Rutkowski said.

The Centennial Committee is working on finishing a commemorative coloring book that someday can be purchased.

The church will be participating in the annual holiday parade.

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# Pets

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The World's Largest Pet Walk initiative provides a positive space for anyone to spend time with their pet while also benefiting the community by raising vital funds to help share the love of a therapy animal with children and adults in need of emotional and mental health support," she said. There is no registration fee to walk at Pet Walk, but attendees are encouraged to



fundraise if possible. Vendors must register to participate, with display space starting at \$10 to \$15, depending on set up and location.

"Many participants raise money in honor of their own pet. The walk is also an opportunity for employee engagement and corporate support," Dunn said.

Current sponsors and vendors include area businesses and individuals with Country Caterers BBQ Inc., Knowell's Lock and Safe, Samikel Customs, Suddenly Sudak's Succulents, Grace Under the Oaks, Sumo

CBD, HAALT Animal Assisted Therapy, Maya's Munchiez Pet Treats, Lexi Ray Pet Portraits, 2nd Chance Feed Bags, BEMER by Marilyn Samuelson, Boss Mare Equine Therapy Massage, Blade Sharpening by Steve Rodrigue, Muttworks and horse tack and equipment vendors.

For more information, contact Chris Dunn at (904) 626-1990 or email ravenwoodfarm@icloud.com. To sign up, visit facebook.com/PetPartnersNF.

Gates open at 7 a.m., and registration begins at 8 a.m.

## LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Clay County Board of Adjustment will hold a public hearing on **Thursday, September 28, 2023 at 6:00 P.M.**, in the Board of County Commissioners Meeting Room, 4th Floor, Clay County Administration Building, 477 Houston Street, Green Cove Springs, Florida, for the purpose of hearing objections, if any, to issuing a Variance to the Clay County Land Development Code, Article III, Section 3-6(d)(2) to allow for the placement of an accessory structure in the front yard of a parcel, less than 1 acre in size, in the AR zoning district.

### Location Address for BOA-0823-0016

7073 King Street

Tax Parcel Identification Number 18-08-23-002136-000-00

Interested parties may appear at the hearing and be heard with respect to the proposed Variance. If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at such hearing, such person will need a record of the proceedings, and for such purpose, such person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. A copy of the Variance Application is available for inspection by the public at the County Economic Development Services Department, Planning and Zoning Division, Third Floor of the Administration Building, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person needing accommodations to participate in this matter should contact Clay County Risk Management by mail at P.O. Box 1366, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043, or by telephone at (904) 278-4718, no later than three (3) days prior to the hearing or proceeding for which this notice has been given. Deaf and hard of hearing persons can access the telephone number by contacting the Florida Relay Service at 1-800-955-8770 (Voice) or 1-800-955-8771 (TDD).

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### Location Address for BOA-0823-0017

1735 Jeremiah Street

Tax Parcel Identification Number 32-04-25-008102-010-00

Interested parties may appear at the hearing and be heard with respect to the proposed Variance. If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at such hearing, such person will need a record of the proceedings, and for such purpose, such person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. A copy of the Variance Application is available for inspection by the public at the County Economic Development Services Department, Planning and Zoning Division, Third Floor of the Administration Building, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays.

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# Police Briefs claytodayonline.com

## CCSO: Man jailed for carrying out threat to set house on fire

ORANGE PARK – A man was arrested after the Clay County Sheriff's Office said he carried out a threat to set a house on fire with children inside.

Rudolph Cabal, 31, of Orange Park, was charged with arson, aggravated domestic battery with a deadly weapon, criminal mischief and making threats to kill or do bodily harm after deputies were called to a home on Debarry Avenue on Sept. 6.

When deputies arrived, the garage was on fire and Cabal was holding a baseball bat and threatening to hit another man.

CCSO was able to break up the fight and arrest Cabal. Deputies found burned marks in the garage. According to the arrest report, there also were children inside the house.

When confronted about threatening text messages to set the house on fire and harm the children, Cabal said he couldn't have sent the messages because he has tattoos on his arms. However, the photos on a cell-phone only showed images of a hand, and Cabal didn't have tattoos on his hands.

Cabal's next court appearance will be on Oct. 3. Until then, he will remain in the Clay County Jail with a \$305,011 bond.

## Caregiver charged with defrauding disabled woman's checking account

MIDDLEBURG – A Jacksonville caregiver was arrested on Sept. 11 and charged

with fraudulently using a disabled woman's identity to deposit and cash checks and exploiting an elderly woman of at least \$10,000.

Kenya Alicia Whitaker, 44, turned herself into the Clay County Jail after learning the sheriff's office had obtained an arrest warrant.

According to the affidavit for the warrant, Whitaker used the victim's checking account to deposit checks and remove money from the account with her ATM card. Whitaker's bond is \$40,024.

## Orange Park man gets 68 months for transferring machinegun conversion devices

JACKSONVILLE – U.S. District Judge Marcia Morales Howard sentenced Kristopher Justinboyer Ervin, 43, of Orange Park, to five years and eight months in federal prison and Matthew Raymond Hoover, 39, of Wisconsin, to five years in federal prison for conspiring to transfer and transferring unregistered machinegun conversion devices.

Ervin was also sentenced for structuring cash withdrawals from his bank account consisting of proceeds from the sale of the devices. The court also ordered Ervin to forfeit \$68,000, representing the funds involved in the structuring offense. A federal jury found Ervin and Hoover guilty on April 21.

According to court documents, in January 2021, Ervin's bank contacted the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives to report that employees believed



Kenya Alicia Whitaker



Rudolph Cabral

Ervin was trafficking machinegun conversion devices. Subsequent investigation revealed that Ervin was running an online business selling machinegun conversion devices, known as lightning links, etched into metal cards, which he referred to as Auto Key Cards. Ervin described the Auto Key Card as a "pen holder," a "novelty," and a "political sculpture."

In February 2021, federal agents from ATF and the U.S. Postal Inspection Service surveilled Ervin and observed him dropping off dozens of packages at an Orange Park post office, each of which was determined to contain unregistered machinegun conversion devices. A lightning link can be dropped into an otherwise legal AR-15-type firearm and converted into a fully automatic machine gun.

ATF examined the Auto Key Cards and a firearms enforcement officer was able to remove the pieces of a lightning link from an Auto Key Card using a standard Dremel rotary tool in about 40 minutes. When the firearms enforcement officer placed the two pieces of the lightning link into an AR-15 type firearm, it converted the semi-automatic firearm to be fully automatic – a machinegun.

Hoover operated a YouTube channel called CRS Firearms, which advertised Auto Key Cards. Hoover said his viewers could cut a lightning link out of the Auto Key Card, "drop it in your receiver, scratch your full auto itch, throw it away when you're done," and "no one's the wiser."

Hoover's videos advertising the Auto Key Card led to a substantial increase in Ervin's sales. Ervin sold more than 2,000 Auto Key Cards in only a few months. Multiple purchasers of the Auto Key Card testified at trial that they had learned about it from Hoover's videos and intended to use it to convert their AR-15-type weapons into machine guns.

Ervin compensated Hoover for his advertisements by sending cash through the mail and, on one occasion, a Louis Vuitton purse.

In March 2021, federal agents execut-

ed a search warrant at Ervin's home and recovered Auto Key Cards containing etchings for more than 1,500 lightning links. The evidence showed that the conspiracy involved at least 6,600 individual lightning links.

"Investigating this case required dedication and tenacity on behalf of ATF's Jacksonville Field Office and our partner agencies on this matter—the U.S. Postal Inspection Service, Internal Revenue Service and the U.S. Attorney's Office," said ATF Tampa Field Division Special Agent in Charge Kirk Howard, whose agency led the investigation.

"Our work was necessary to prove the true nature of the Auto Key Cards being sold by Ervin and Hoover and disrupt their audacious scheme to circumvent federal firearms laws."

This case was investigated by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, the U.S. Postal Inspection Service, and the Internal Revenue Service – Criminal Investigation. Assistant U.S. Attorneys Laura Cofer Taylor and David B. Mesrobian are prosecuting it. Assistant U.S. Attorney Mai Tran is handling the asset forfeiture.

The case is part of Project Safe Neighborhoods (PSN), 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.

Anyone possessing an Auto Key Card should contact the nearest ATF office or call (800) ATF-GUNS and make arrangements to surrender the device to ATF so it can be destroyed.

# Arrests & Bookings claytodayonline.com

(Name, age, location of arrest, charges).  
Key: FTA-Failure to Appear; DWLSR-Driving Without a License-Suspended or Revoked; DUI-Driving Under the Influence; VOP-Violation of Probation; BAL-blood alcohol level. There are no assumptions or representations about guilt or innocence. Anyone arrested or booked is presumed innocent.

## Tuesday, Sept. 12

Bria F. Miranda, 29, Middleburg, DUI with property damage/injury  
Andrew P. Tatum, 45, Orange Park, trespassing  
James C. Ambrose, 31, Orange Park, two counts FTA-DWLSR  
Morgan J. Kelly, 32, Green Cove Springs, VOP-domestic battery  
Charles J. Eskew, 60, Green Cove

Springs, FTA-DWLSR, FTA-failure to register vehicle

Ray Mikel Drayton, 56, Green Cove Springs, FTA-DUI  
Carl D. Hunter, 36, Orange Park, delivering/distributing-methamphetamine  
Amaziah E. Jackson, 18, Orange Park, burglary, possession-marijuana, prowling/loitering

## Monday, Sept. 11

Sandra L. Shirley, 54, Middleburg, shoplifting  
Matthew R. Trull, 38, Green Cove Springs, FTA-possession-drug paraphernalia, FTA-possession-marijuana, FTA-trespassing  
Josselyn M.M. Murga, 26, Oakleaf, two counts battery

Kenya A. Whitaker, 44, Green Cove Springs, seven counts fraudulent use of ID of disabled adult, exploitation of elderly of more than \$10,000

Alyssa B.M. Stoddard, 22, Green Cove Springs, grand theft

Colton R. Hawkinson, 23, Fleming Island, possession-marijuana

## Sunday, Sept. 10

John M. Keith, 43, Keystone Heights, trespassing

Anthony R. Coffman, 41, Starke, burglary

Dawn E. Henrikson, 53, Orange Park, battery

Tricia Fuentes, 54, Fleming Island, shoplifting

Lucas C. Jewett, 34, Middleburg, possession-methamphetamine, possession-40 units of methamphetamine, possession-drug paraphernalia

Daniel R. Cipollone, 37, Orange Park, follow/harass/cyberstalking

Kyle G. Siebold, 26, Orange Park. DUI with BAL of .15 or higher with passenger

younger than 18

Robert A. Mann, 20, Fleming Island, two counts burglary

Roy F. Cope, 42, Middleburg, possession-fentanyl

## Saturday, Sept. 9

Alyssa B.M. Stoddard, 22, Green Cove Springs, child neglect, possession-methamphetamine, possession-drug paraphernalia

Roy F. Cope, 66, Middleburg, possession-fentanyl

Kendall R. Hachez, 35, Green Cove Springs, DUI, refusal to submit to BAL test

Kendall A. Green, 18, Orange Park, possession-firearm/ammunition by delinquent adult

Xavier L. Edwards, 19, Orange Park, grand theft auto

Daniel C. Walden, 39, Middleburg, DWLSR

Krisann G. West, 54, Green Cove Springs, FTA-hit/run-leaving scene of ac-

# Warriors' Peace provides daily support for veterans, community

By Christina Swanson  
For Clay Today

MIDDLEBURG – For veterans and those in the community suffering from various mental or emotional traumas, there is a resource you may not have heard of called Warrior's Peace.

There is a lot that is unique about this nonprofit that brings about fundamental transformation: from setting the tone of the day first thing early morning, every weekday morning, either in person or via Zoom, through movement and meditation, to bringing scattered focus to present-moment living by checking in on all the realms of body, mind, emotions, spirit and relationships.

"When you join this no-cost group, you will be embraced exactly where you are, taking actionable steps together through movement, meditation, breathing exercises and honest communication," said the founder and retired Army Sgt. First Class Raylan Heck. Heck opens his home each weekday morning for what he calls "chasing alignment," where emotions, spiritual and relational, are identified and treated with exercise and breathing. Pain is processed back to childhood memories if that is what is needed. Truths are identified, and attention is redirected from suffering to purpose.

"It's something that anyone who has gone through severe trauma must work on daily, even hourly, at first, to periodically forever," said Heck. And he surely knows.

Wyoming native Heck joined the U.S. Army after earning his Associate of Arts degree to become an infantry ranger and sniper, following in his dad's footsteps. He participated in three tours – one in Afghanistan and two in Iraq.

In his 10th year, he was working as a ranger instructor at Eglin Air Force Base when he learned his family died in a double homicide and suicide. Heck couldn't cope, no matter the varied professional therapists and anti-psychotics medicines tried, and he became increasingly dependent on meds, alcohol and drugs, trying to "zone out."

Eight years later and still battling demons, he got a job with UPS, working up to 12 hours a day, which helped him focus. During his years of drugs, alcohol, being jailed and baker-acted and a difficult marriage, nothing was fully helping. Anyone battling anything so deep knows change only takes place when they accept full responsibility and heart shift.

This is what happened in 2017, when a few simple words became his epiphany and he threw away all his crutches.

"I had just gotten off the nightshift delivering packages at my UPS job and was listening to Revelations with my headphones while at the urinal when I heard Revelations, Chapter 3:15-16, 'Either be hot or be cold, never be lukewarm.'"

At that same moment, Heck glanced down to see a bible track had been left at the urinal and was open at that precise verse.

"Something clicked in me, and I knew God was real, and I had to be all in," said Heck. "I went home, woke up my wife, and told her I was done."

"That's why I ask folks who are struggling, 'What reaches your heart?'," he said. "We can know things cognitively, but not until it reaches the heart and soul that positive change can happen."

Since then, Heck has started several initiatives to raise money to help suffer-



Raylan Heck, center (with wife), founder and CEO of Warrior's Peace, teaches the group a pool lesson on balancing control and surrender to respond rather than overreact to issues during an early-morning session.

ing Veterans, such as the Rhino Ride. This "400 miles in 24 hours" motorcycle challenge was raising pledge money for six local charities.

Heck is known for the significant advances made for the nonprofit Operation Barnabas, which provides tools needed to assist Vets and First Responders to be whole again. This can help with PTSD, addiction, family and marital issues, reentry after jail, finding a job, getting transportation or housing and one-on-one mentoring.

While Heck and his wife were looking to buy properties to rent or Air B&B, they also began searching for reasonable, suitable housing for these mostly homeless Veterans, discovering it was difficult in 2021's over-priced market. He was still working long hours for UPS and overseeing the nonprofit when he quit working to focus on Barnabas full-time.

So much has been accomplished in the two years Heck was president. Most notably, 80 Veterans and First Responders were helped and are living good lives, and land and low-income housing have been purchased to help even more. Dubbed Fort Grace I, property in Green Cove Springs was bought and established with five small

houses, and they are waiting on rezoning for more housing development.

All the while, Heck has also been helping Vets and folks who need daily support to lift them from their internal struggles through Warrior's Peace. Today, Heck is focusing on Warrior's Peace with the reigns of Barnabas handed to another veteran.

Along with helping folks "chase alignment" each morning, he and his team of licensed therapists and pastors are available to work one-on-one to identify struggles and bring back significance in people's lives. There are also more intensive programs, such as the 12-week Water Walkers, which includes a 40-hour survival fast in the woods that gets down to the basics.

"It's a rite of passage where physical markers encourage spiritual transformation," Heck said. "Enlightenment comes from consistency, which gives those suffering the courage to face their fears or ego. It helps people realize that they have choices, that how they live is a daily choice, and that they can use their unique gifts to help themselves and others."

Learn more by reaching out to Heck at [warriorspeacecsi.com](http://warriorspeacecsi.com) or [warriorspeace43@gmail.com](mailto:warriorspeace43@gmail.com).

## Arrests

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cident with property damage/injury  
Chelsey M. Pitmon, 32, Green Cove Springs, leaving scene of accident with property damage/injury  
Jacob A. Kersey, 18, Fleming Island, DUI

### Friday, Sept. 8

Ricky V. Grant, 56, Middleburg, DUI  
Michael A. Schmidt, 36, Green Cove Springs, DWLSR  
Eddie C. McLoyd, 68, Orange Park, battery, possession firearm/ammunition by convicted felon  
Mollene C. Crosby, 78, Orange Park, domestic battery  
Joshua J.R. Noto, 34, Green Cove Springs, two counts burglary  
Domonique B. Barber, 48, Green Cove Springs, FTA-possession-marijuana, FTA-resist/obstruct/oppose law enforcement, DUI with property damage/injury, FTA-DWLSR, FTA-DUI with property damage/injury  
Antonio U. Davis, 46, Orange Park, armed home invasion, possession-firearm/

ammo by convicted felon  
Austin T. Cunningham, 22, Green Cove Springs, two counts burglary  
Joseile E. McClung, 40, Green Cove Springs, FTA-possession-drug paraphernalia, FTA-DWLSR  
Tyonna S. Lively, 23, Green Cove Springs, VOP-grand theft  
Stanley H. Toote, 26, Green Cove Springs, FTA-resisting law enforcement  
Gary E. Aldridge, 51, Green Cove Springs, writ of bodily attachment  
Drexel T. Kellogg, 57, Green Cove Springs, VOP-criminal mischief  
Paulo C. Alves, 22, Green Cove Springs, driver's license never issued  
Derrick B. Nicholls, 22, Keystone Heights, assault/battery during burglary

### Thursday, Sept. 7

Richard J. Vannucci, 47, Green Cove Springs, domestic battery  
Ronald C. Morgan, 43, Green Cove Springs, FTA-driving without valid license  
Mirtha V. Estevez, 53, Orange Park, shoplifting  
Mirian V. Estevez, 51, Orange Park, shoplifting

Aaron L. Burkett, 28, Green Cove Springs, giving false name/ID, possession-cocaine, possession-ecstasy/molly, resisting law enforcement  
Dale R. Verrill, 31, Middleburg, burglary  
Hector F. Rodriguez, 61, Orange Park, FTA-failure to register vehicle, FTA-DWLSR  
Josie E. Woodworth, 27, Orange Park, grand theft auto  
Christopher T.J. Gilstrap, 23, Keystone Heights, trespassing  
Tyler N. Turner, 34, Green Cove Springs, violation of jail rules  
Lance P. Johnson, 38, Green Cove Springs, VOP-attempting to flee/elude law enforcement  
Caleb W. Ertley, 32, Green Cove Springs, VOP-attempted first degree murder  
Kevin M. Pressley, 31, Orange Park, sale/manufacture/deliver-methamphetamine  
Michael S. Edwards, 36, Green Cove Springs, two counts VOP-community control  
Mario D. Garcia, 29, Green Cove Springs, FTA  
Hunter S. Jones, 22, Fleming Island, child abuse

### Wednesday, Sept. 6

Rudolph Cabral, 31, Orange Park, aggravated domestic battery with deadly weapon, arson, criminal mischief, written/electronic threats to kill/do bodily harm  
Luke D. Demott, 36, Middleburg, DUI, refusal to submit to BAL test, DWLSR  
Scarlett S.D. Lowery, 41, Green Cove Springs, FTA-DWLSR  
Devin M. Walker, 26, Green Cove Springs, VOP-reckless driving reduced from DUI  
Mary A. Strickland, 24, Fleming Island, DUI  
Robert B.T. Albritton, 25, FTA-DWLSR  
Terry A. Levy, 46, Green Cove Springs, violation of county jail rules  
Tayvin K. Lewis, 24, Middleburg, possession-marijuana  
Amber M. Fields, 32, Middleburg, possession-methamphetamine, possession-clonazepam, resist/obstruct/oppose law enforcement  
Michael A. Rivers, 28, Middleburg, driving without valid license

# Kickboxing tournament the first job at possible MMA, UFC career

Amateur Point Kick Boxing competition to feature young fighters Saturday at Smiley's Academy

By Don Coble

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ORANGE PARK – Nick McCall's first three Point Kick Boxing matches ended in defeat. But that won't keep the Oakleaf fighter from thinking big ahead of Saturday's PKB Tournament at Smiley's Academy on Wells Road.

"I'm trying to leave with at least three trophies, and at the most, there's a belt," he said after a workout Monday night. "I've seen that belt the past couple of times that I've been here. I'm trying to leave with that belt or at least a couple of trophies."

Others have the same idea. And they're willing to use their feet and fists to do it.

Saturday's points-only elimination tournament is considered a stepping stone toward a future in Mixed Martial Arts or the Ultimate Fighting League.

"It's more for like striking and landing punches instead of trying to injure your opponent," said Hannah Adams after trading punches with other students.

Two victories on Saturday will count toward a fighter's career record. The first match is scheduled for noon, and the competition will end with the last person standing.

Adams hopes to be that person.

The sailor from nearby NAS Jacksonville is smallish in nature – about 5-foot-4 – but she has big aspirations.

"When I was little, my dad started teaching me karate, and then no, no, I'm just started out in MMA. That's where my passion started."



Hannah Adams, left, will be making her second amateur Point Kick Boxing tournament appearance Saturday at noon at Smiley's Academy on Wells Road. The competition awards points for striking and landing punches, not knockouts. Nick McCall, far right, said he has an advantage against visiting fighters because "I can give them different looks."

Adams wrestled in high school and "grew up watching UFC fights" with her father.

"When I came home from deployment, I missed jujitsu," she said. "I decided to get back in the gym. My first MMA class was fun."

Saturday will mark her second official fight. She is 0-1.

"I hope I get a little better fight this time," she said. "I was a little heavier my first fight. I still get a little nervous, but I can't wait."



STAFF PHOTOS BY DON COBLE

Brandon Gavinovich is a 17-year-old student from Bartram Trail High. He's been training for 2½ years and hopes to improve on his 2-2 record. Outside the outcome, Gavinovich said it's important to learn with every punch thrown and landed.

"That's the only way to get better," he said.

Many of the contestants will come from outside the Northeast Florida area who don't train at Smiley's. McCall said not knowing an opponent favors him.

"I felt like there were so many things

that I could have done better or things that we've done here in the training room that I might not have learned at home," he said. "A couple of guys try to train at home now. I find it a bit easier because I can work my own thing."

A lot of the guys that you train with consistently, they kind of know all of your moves, you know what I mean? This way, I can give them different looks."

But McCall believes nothing would look better than at least three medals and the title belt.

## Sante Fe College offers programs to help unemployed, underemployed

By Natalie Gilstrap

For Clay Today

KEYSTONE HEIGHTS – Using statistical data, Santa Fe College identifies the high-demand jobs in Alachua, Clay and Bradford County and offers certified learning programs for unemployed and underemployed workers.

"The idea is that we are providing certifications that are high demand, high growth, and good pay," said Trenton Hightower, Director of Workforce Development Customized Training. "We're using statistical data that identify the high-demand jobs in the county. So that we know that if they get certificated, there are jobs available."

Students can further their education through the college's Certification Courses by gaining industry certification skills. Courses in accounting and finance, IT career training, sales and marketing, management and medical services are some of the many disciplines the college offers.

The courses are tailored to teach individuals the necessary skill set within three to six months and can be taken online or in

person. The school also offers scholarships for the unemployed and underemployed.

"It's different from the credit funding. You don't have to do a FAFSA form," Hightower said. "We're trying to reduce barriers and quickly get people trained and certified in these jobs."

In addition, the college provides certification programs to businesses and organizations wanting to expand their employees' skill sets. The certification program is tailored to the client's needs and can teach employees computer training, technology, health-related skills, or essential skills such as leadership, adaptability and communication.

Santa Fe has provided skill training programs to businesses like Clay Electric, Dollar General, COMARCO, hospitals and health care providers.

"What we're looking to do with Santa Fe College is come closer to Bradford (and surrounding communities). Be more connected."

To learn more about Santa Fe College's Certification Training Program, visit [sfcollege.edu/enhance](http://sfcollege.edu/enhance).



PHOTO BY NATALIE GILSTRAP

Sante Fe College unveiled a Clay, Alachua and Bradford counties program to provide certified learning programs for unemployed and underemployed residents. The expanded studies include students at Keystone Heights High.

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**GAME OF THE WEEK**  
Fleming Island @ Oakleaf 7 p.m.

Keystone vs. Bell Ridgeview BYE  
Orange Park @ Melbourne

Middleburg @ Ponte Vedra  
Clay vs. Gainesville

## Eagle on 18 earns Mawhinney Randy Warren tie

Four golfers started a four-hole sudden-death round to determine a winner, but a lightning strike forced officials to stop the contest with three golfers remaining.

By Randy Lefko  
Sports Editor

FLEMING ISLAND - Fleming Island High junior golfer Tyler Mawhinney, after two bogies on his 13th and 14th holes, beat a pending thunderstorm to the tape to smoke a birdie on 16 and an 18th hole eagle to capture a three-way tie for the Randy Warren Memorial Golf Invitational held Monday at Fleming Island Golf Club. Four golfers started a four-hole sudden-death round to determine a winner, but a lightning strike forced officials to stop the contest with three golfers remaining.

"It's a different motivation when the team title is on the line more than me winning the individual title," said Mawhinney, noting teammate Dylan Frein's birdie putt on 18 secured the one-point win for Fleming Island. "Knowing that we were all playing close enough to need a few breaks here

**SEE MAWHINNEY, 30**

Fleming Island junior golfer Tyler Mawhinney gets set to take on three competitors in four-way tie at 67 for first place in Randy Warren Memorial golf invitational held Monday at Fleming Island Golf Club. Mawhinney and two others were able to only tie due to lightning after the second overtime hole.



"Never count out the Blue Devils." - Coach Kennard

## Bellemare nails game winner with 22 ticks to go

By Randy Lefko  
Sports Editor

ORANGE PARK - First Orange Park stopped Clay at the one-yard line, stuffing Clay quarterback Merrick Rapoza just 36 inches from the goal line, then Clay's defense held and forced an end zone back line punt by Orange Park to set up a thrilling final two minutes of football that saw Clay kicker

**SEE DEVILS, 29**

STAFF BY RANDY LEFKO

Clay wide receiver Payton Dykas awaits the final score in the fourth quarter as the Blue Devils finished off a come-from-behind 42-41 win over Orange Park.



STAFF PHOTOS BY RANDY LEFKO

**Stratton for the win**  
St. Johns Country Day School cross country runner Rebecca Stratton strides down the final 100 meters to win the Clay County Invitational Cross Country women's title as dad and coach Greg Stratton, in the background, watches her final steps.  
- See coverage on page 28.

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# Athlete Of The Week



Clay High football kicker **Ethan Bellemare** kicked a 27 yard field goal with just seven seconds on the clock to secure a 42-41 come-from-behind win over rival Orange Park on Friday.



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## GAME OF THE WEEK Fleming Island at Oakleaf

High powered offense;  
stout defense spotlighted

By Randy Lefko  
Sports Editor

OAKLEAF - With area teams showing off a bit of muscle with Clay taking a doozy over Orange Park, 42-41, in a shootout and Ridgeview finally blasting the end zones with a 51-point win, area football fans will be hard-pressed to attend their games with the Fleming Island at Oakleaf bonanza happening on Friday. Both teams sat last week with BYEs and that's a factor. "We got the Florida Educational game at the last minute and wanted to kind of see if we had corrected the things we saw in the Clay game," said Fleming Island coach Chad Parker. "Even though we won that Clay game, we had a lot of penalties and miscommunications and we needed to have a road game scenario, we thought, under our belt before traveling into Oakleaf territory where it will be very loud."



Fleming Island's small defensive line is filled with high-octane rushers like William Newman bent on disrupting opposing offenses with the speed of pursuit.

Last year, with Drew "Captain America" Ammon flashing his shield and pulling off an upset of the decade in the Fleming Island High arena, there is plenty of "Get-back" available for the fans to anticipate one of the best games of the year on Friday.

"We know it's going to be a revenge, get-back kind of battle for them," said Oakleaf coach Chris Foy, who missed a Friday with Baker County opting out of last Friday's game for unknown reasons. "All I worry about is that you can't replicate game speed in practice and we will need to be sharp right from the start against Fleming Island."



Big key for Oakleaf is the legs of running back Chris Foy II who only has one game under his belt since dad and coach Chris Foy appeared in Oakleaf.

### Quarterbacks

Brandon Wallace Jr. OHS  
Cibastian Broughton FIHS

Broughton is seasoned; been a starter since his freshman year. Wallace opened with a 42-0 win over Orange Park but has not been in the pressure cooker of tight games as the starter, especially with no games to rev the engine since the OPHS opener.

"Cibastian makes our offense multi-dimensional because he can attack with his arm downfield and with his legs," said Parker, noting Broughton's 70-scoring run against Florida Education. "Our receivers will be seeing a good group Oakleaf has in the secondary with a lot of experience so we will be on our A-game in the air."

### Running Backs

Tyler Beverly FIHS,  
Dehmir Jackson FIHS;  
Chris Foy II OHS

Again, first time in such a game of magnitude for all three. Beverly has been proving that his time behind Sam Singleton kept him hungry for his start. Jackson has been a battering ram of a running back and even kick return as an all-purpose offensive weapon after a preseason that saw him mainly a linebacker. Against Clay, Jackson ran roughshod. What a find.

"We sat down after some of our summer



The running back war will feature Tyler Beverly, No. 5 for Fleming Island, and Chris Foy II, No. 0 for Oakleaf, both big, strong powerful downhill runners

team camps and made decisions on changing personnel just to see what it would look like and Dehmir was one of those guys we talked about," said Parker. "He can play anywhere."

Foy, for Oakleaf, is green to the big game as well, but well prepared on paper, but untested in pressure games. Wallace is the second leading rusher on just the Orange Park game; 39 for Foy, 26 for Wallace. Coach Foy is a guy who wants guys to rise above and Foy II will be needed. Others in the backfield will be scat backs that, if a corner comes, can go house quickly.

"We have plenty of weapons around Brandon and a great offensive front," said Foy. "I believe in making them stop us up front."

### Offensive Line

Battle of trenches, for sure, with a ton of big, mobile guys on both sides. This is where the battle will take place. FIHS: Cunningham, Couch, Reyes are formidable. OHS: Ambrose, Johnson, Neal, massive. Coach Chris Foy emphasized fourth-quarter readiness. That will be critical. Coach Chad Parker is a wrestling coach and knows what the grind is for late athletic readiness. This is the test of willpower and attrition.

"They are a little smaller than us on the defensive side, but the Fleming Island program is all about strength with their weightlifting prowess," said Foy. "We are aware of that."

### Wideouts

FIHS has a handful of playmakers that can go on a dime; Trace Burney and Devaen Boykin have found the end zone on long hauls; Aiden Postemski could be the X factor as a super reliable undercover guy. Oakleaf has top-tier covermen; Kitchen, Kitt, and Jacobs, all very quick, athletic, and solid tacklers. If they keep everything in front of them, Fleming Island should get nothing past 30 yards. If they slip up, goodbye.

For Oakleaf, it is a handful of young pups that may want to show out for Wallace and Foy on the big stage. Micheal Connor is a freshman, and Jordin Price is a sophomore. Those two could have just

# Ridgeview Panthers go 50-plus for first win

By Mike Zima  
Correspondent

ORANGE PARK - Ridgeview High's running back tandem of Rayhn Hutchinson and Kimal Marshall combined for 210 yards and four touchdowns to carry the Panthers to their first win of the season, a 51-18 romp over Kissimmee Gateway on September 8.

"It feels really good, and it was very important," Ridgeview head coach Bryan Arnette said of the win. "We had to have this game for morale."

The Panthers offense, whose turnovers and untimely penalties were largely to blame for scoring only eight and 12 points in season-opening losses to Menendez and Clay, ran all over Gateway. Hutchinson ran for 140 yards and three touchdowns on just nine carries. Marshall gained 70 yards on nine rushes and scored once.

"Nowadays, you need two backs who can give you 15 touches per game," said Arnette. "You cannot have it be like [former Yulee star and current NFL running back] Derrick Henry, one guy getting 30 carries a game."

For their part, Hutchinson and Marshall see benefits in sharing the role, both in practice and in games.

"It gives me an extra drive, knowing that I got to compete for the spot," said Hutchinson. "Competing every day helps you get better every day."

"We are more fresh," said Marshall. "If you get just a good amount of carries, you can run harder."

"I cannot tell you how proud I am," Arnette said of the duo, both of whom are seniors who have not played a lot of football. Hutchinson missed his junior season due to a broken collarbone, and Marshall lived in Japan with his military family until recently. "Hutchinson has a breakout week every week. Marshall runs a 4.49 40, and when he goes north to south, he is gone in a flash."

It took Ridgeview just seven plays to take control. The Panthers marched 65 yards in seven plays on the game's opening possession. Hutchinson finished the drive with a 10-yard run around the right end, cutting off a block from wide receiver Dashaun Green.

Gateway answered with a 67-yard run by Dashaun Reese on their first play from scrimmage to tie the game at 6.

Ridgeview's offense went right back to work, again driving 65 yards. After an offsides penalty brought the Panthers five yards closer to a first down inside the 10-yard line, Arnette took his field goal unit off of the field and decided to go for it. Quarterback Travon Malone rolled left, stopped and fired a bullet to Green, who had hooked up deep in the end zone, to give the hosts a 12-6 lead.

Marshall extended the lead to 18-6 three minutes later when he stiff-armed



CORRESPONDENT PHOTOS BY DON LONG

Ridgeview High's three headed scoring bonanza came from runs from Rayhn Hutchinson and Kimal Marshall, pictured above and pass catching from Deshun Green in 51 point win Friday night.

a tackler to reach the end zone from 28 yards out, and the rout was on. Ridgeview led 31-12 at halftime on the strength of a 26-yard pass from Malone to sophomore Christian Fielder and a one-yard plunge by Braylon Hawkins.

The hosts put the game away on their first possession of the third quarter. Marshall scored on an 18-yard run, sweeping right behind right tackle Jack Jones and then throwing Gateway safety Malachi McFadden out of the way inside the five-yard line.

After a second touchdown run by Gateway's Reese, who finished with 149 yards on 21 rushes, cut the lead to 37-18 in the third quarter, Ridgeview reached the half-century mark on an eight-yard jet sweep by Green and a 35-yard scamper by Hutchinson.

Ridgeview totaled 265 rushing yards and six rushing touchdowns, a fact Arnette partially attributed to the development of

better cohesiveness among his young offensive linemen in their third game. Along with Jones, the lone senior, Ridgeview starts two sophomores and a freshman on the line.

The performance was not perfect, as Ridgeview lost three fumbles and committed 10 penalties.

"The thing I am most proud of is that in the past, adversity would eat at us," Arnette said. "Tonight, either the defense responded with a stop or the offense responded with a score."

Malone completed seven of 12 passes for 180 yards and two touchdowns.

Arnette is hoping that the win provides a spark for the Panthers, who travel to St. Johns Beachside (2-1) on September 22 for a non-district game. The Barracudas have scored 107 points in their three games.

Gateway, like Ridgeview a Class 3S school, fell to 0-2.

# Broncos slow start costly

By Ray Dimonda  
Correspondent

MIDDLEBURG – The Middleburg Bronco defense held the visiting Bradford Tornadoes scoreless from the middle of the third quarter to the end of the game as well as only allowing the Tornadoes one successful extra point after attempt all game. But the dynamic Bronco defense in the second half would not be enough to overcome three unanswered Tornado scores early with the Broncos offense only finding the endzone a single time as the Tornadoes rolled over the Broncos 32-7 keeping the Broncos still in search of the first victory.

It was the mounting mistakes that the Broncos just could not overcome. A blocked punt, a bad punt snap that the punter had a knee down when he reached for the ball, a dropped punt catch that resulted in a turnover, and some untimely penalties.

The Bronco defense was flying around all night but had an issue with the Bradford big plays. The standout of the evening must go to Austin "Cowboy" Cruce who was in on just about all the inside plays all evening.



Middleburg High's offense relies on the legs and speed of multi-faceted threat Jaydan Jenkins.

"At halftime, we came together, talked about all our mishaps, figured out what we needed to do, and just worked off of that," said Cruce. "We just had to tighten up. We realized all we were doing was making too many little mistakes."

Bradford showed early they had no one to kick the ball. All point-after attempts were two-point attempts. Kickoffs were



CORRESPONDENT PHOTOS BY RAY DIMONDA

Middleburg linebacker Austin Cruce, far right, stands with parents and friends as sister Cheyenne Cruce gets her state wrestling championship ring during halftime ceremonies.

skipping short kicks with a best of maybe 20 yards.

The Broncos offense started rocky with an interception on the first drive, then recovered nicely. The Broncos could move the ball all night off the arm of Carson Stewart. Stewart had some very good plays that turned into good yards. On the

ground, it was Jaydan "Jaybo" Jenkins who led the Broncos with his misdirection and fast hitting of any holes in the line. When it was time to power through, it was Kendrick O'Neal who punched in the lone Bronco score from inside the red zone. Kaleb Ro-

SEE BRONCOS, 32

# Stratton dad calls the win

By Randy Lefko  
Sports Editor

GREEN COVE SPRINGS - St. Johns Country Day School cross country coach Greg Stratton may have a little more insight on his team than some coaches and when he challenged daughter Rebecca to do something special before the start of the first annual Clay County Cross Country Invitational held at the Clay County Fairgrounds, he may have been a bit clairvoyant.

"She has been getting more and more consistent in her runs and with the last two races, getting closer to that 20-minute mark," said Stratton, who also is dad to two-time state champion Matthew Stratton; 3200 on track and Class 1A cross country two years ago and now at the University of Florida. "I told her to do something special today."

That "special" for the daughter, Rebecca, a junior, was to take control of the triple lap course at the Fairgrounds to pull away decisively and take the victory in a scant under 20 minutes; 19 minutes, 54 seconds, with plenty of room ahead of runner-up Olivia Griffin, from Keystone Heights, another not-so-surprising rising run star (big brother Tyler Griffin a senior) in the county who was in at 20:33 with a battle with Providence's Emma Akhundjanov at 20:34.

The top five finished with a double Middleburg finish from Elizabeth Brown and Kaila Ornelas who came in for fourth and fifth ahead of Clay's latest surprise power runner in soccer ace Erika Martinez. Martinez was the area's top finisher last week at the Bob Hans Memorial race at Ridgeview and has steadily improved in her tactics under coach Stefanie Bergman-Cirillo.

"She came to us to improve her stamina for soccer and has been a great asset," said Bergman-Cirillo, who was without ace runner Kaygen Williamson for the Clay County race as area athletes in many sports were at ACT testing. "She keeps getting more tactical and learning the 3.1 miles race, she will be a force. She's very tough."

Stratton, who cruised the first lap of the race in a pack with Akhundjanov and Griffin, made her break after passing the fairgrounds arenas and the finish line turn, broke away on lap two and opened up an insurmountable lead.

"When I made a move after I passed my dad at the first lap, I got some space then turned around and saw that I was all alone," said Stratton. "I kind of freaked out a bit, but then settled in in my head and told myself to just run strong and not worry about the other runners. It was a weird feeling to be upfront and be in a position for the win. My first time for a win and my first time under 20 minutes."

Stratton did comment that she called her brother and got a "Way to go" from the sibling.

"I'm always Matthew Stratton's sister that runs, now, maybe I put my name out there," said Stratton.

In the girl's race, St. Johns Classical had a five-athlete team led by Savanna Slonaker



who was 61st in 27:36.

In the boy's race, Providence opened with a five-man front through the first lap then had a breakaway with Walker White eventually running a quick 16:41 split to beat Menendez's Spencer Lawrence by 11 seconds with Providence teammate Harrison Kozlowski third in 16:55.

The top area finisher for a second week in a row was Grant Keppel of Oakleaf who finished sixth at 17:20 with St. Johns Country Day School senior Richard Nichols 11th at 17:41. The event was a first-time event at the Fairgrounds under the direction of Clay County Tourism Council member Kimberly Morgan, who has brought national elite level cycling to Clay County, world elite level Pro Motorized Surfing and state level cross country cycling to the county, commented that the event is another corroboration with Airstream Ventures to bring world-class endurance events to Clay County.

"This was our first try and bringing cross country running to Clay County and we wanted to make the course fan-friendly, fast for the runners and offer a good venue for more races," said Morgan. "Though it is pretty flat here with just the parking area undulations, the Clay County Tourism Council is always on the look for venues to stage this kind of event. From what I know about cross country, the times were fast, the fans had easy access to watch their runners in action for most of the race and the results were fast and available after the race. We will evaluate how we did and make im-



provements."

The day also featured a junior high level 3K (1.7 miles) race with just one full lap that was dominated by the No Excuses Run Club from St. Johns County featured nearly 30 runners from the area junior high schools; won by Dominic Johnson of No Excuses in 9:56 by a minute over Jack Kline of Cornerstone Classical Academy. Oakleaf Junior High's Julian Hodgerson was the top area finisher in 28th at 11:57.

For the girl's 3K race, No Excuses dominated with a 1-2-3 finish led by Sydney Johnson in 10:24. Oakleaf Junior High's Aniya Barkdale was top area finisher in 21st in 13:16.

A 1K race was won by Suwannee Speed's Daniel Gunter in 4:07 with Keystone Heights Junior High's Ella Reddish 4th overall in 4:18.

Next up for area runners features the September 16 Katie Caples Invitational at Bishop Kenny with races starting at 8 a.m. with boys and girls middle schoolers and varsity high schoolers to go off at junior varsity races at 4:55 p.m., varsity at 6:05 p.m. and Elite races at 7 p.m.

In 2022, Oakleaf High grad Sierra Barrera finished 11th in the elite girls race in a quick 19:20.18 behind winner Lindy White of Ponte Vedra's 18:29.

Also scheduled on the collegiate level and elite high schoolers is the Mountain Dew Invitational at the University of Florida featuring area runners now in college from Florida Southern College (MHS Emma Mussante, FIHS Marisa Kortright, KHHS Alex Guy), Flagler College (RHS Joel Nesi, OHS A'Jani Stokes) and University of South Florida (FIHS Katie Thompson).



Clay defensive back Neo Addison looks to intercept pass from Orange Park quarterback Gabe Taylor late in second half. Interception was instrumental in Blue Devils final push to gamewinning field goal. Right: Clay County Superintendent David Broskie addresses school members prior to ribbon cutting for new Hoyt B. Cotney Stadium at Orange Park High.



## Devils

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Ethan Bellemare calmly kick a 27-yard field goal with 22 seconds on the clock to give the Blue Devils' a 42-41 come-from-behind win over the host Orange Park High Raiders. Orange Park was unfortunately celebrating the red-ribbon opening of the new Hoyt B. Cotney Stadium.

"It's something I've dreamt about since I was a kid," said Bellemare, just a junior "kid". "My team had full confidence in me and coach Kennard told me to just go kick the ball."

The Raider punt put Clay on the field near midfield to attempt to steal the lead in the Orange Park-dominated scoring and, with quarterback Landon Chadwick at the controls, Clay moved quickly to the Raider 35 with a quick pass to Antonio Thomas with defender Orlando Jackson preventing the quick-strike score.

A second pass, to Iyen Addison, pushed Clay to the 27, with 2:31 left in the game.

At the 18 with a Clay first down, Orange Park defensive end Triston Johnson caught Chadwick on a scramble that also got an intentional grounding flag tacked on to the 12-yard loss putting Clay at the Raider 43.

"We feel the love of the Clay football community," said Geno Addison, who with brothers Iyen and Neo, transferred from Bradford County over the summer. "We want to be a part of that Clay pride and the whole family is amazing."

Clay, now with second and 30, went with Chadwick to Thomas again for 10 yards and a third and 10.

"We believe in both kids; Merrick and Landon," said Clay coach Kyle Kennard. "They have very different skill sets and we can do a lot of different things with them."

Chadwick misfired on a third pass to Thomas with Orange Park defender Timothy Barfield draping Thomas, but a face-mask on Orange Park breathed life into a third and 10 for Clay at the Raider 20 with 1:12 to go.

From there, Clay got just nine yards to face a fourth and one at the 11-yard line with 52 seconds to go.

Kennard ran the clock down to 22 seconds before calling time out and sending in Bellemare for the game-winner.



Orange Park wide receiver Jaden Paulk is alone and gone for 65 yard touchdown pass for Raiders. Center: Clay wide out Antonio Thomas was offensive factor throughout the game; here a touchdown pass. Right: Orange Park running back Joshua Johnson had rugged game with breakaways runs that kept the Raiders on top through most of the game.



"Never say die," said Kennard after the thriller. "We told the team in the lockers that we were going to win the game and do it our way."

Orange Park, in the first half, looked to dominate from the outset despite Clay scoring quickly off the opening kickoff with Chadwick hitting Thomas from 32 yards out to go up 7-0.

The Raiders, with a kick return to midfield, answering quickly behind runs from Damar Jackson, got to the Clay eight in just three plays before Joshua Johnson finished the drive with the score to tie the game 7-7 with five minutes left in the first quarter.

Clay quarterback Merrick Rapoza, with 3:15 on the clock, got sacked by Johnson to put Clay at fourth and 21 at the Raider 24. Bellamare would be short on the 39-yard field goal attempt.

"Me, Landon and Coach Flaherty talked at halftime about what we are seeing and how to move the ball," said Rapoza. "The line is all dogs and just block their butts off."

Orange Park, with first and 25 at their own 25, took over and scored quickly with Johnson blasting a screen pass to paydirt with 17 seconds left in the first quarter with Ty Obemeyer getting two shots at the PAT kick for a 14-7 lead.

After a Clay punt, Johnson bobbled a handoff and nearly gave away the ball. The

Raiders kept possession, and had another long run from Johnson but also a flag to negate the play. Simple response: 65-yard scoring pass from Taylor to a wide-open Jaden Paulk.

Obemeyer's kick put the game at 21-7 at 9:57 of the half. Dykas took the ensuing kickoff 60 yards past midfield with a face-mask 15 yards added on to start Clay at the Raider 24. Two plays later, Orange Park defensive back Donovan Bradley nearly pick-six Chadwick on a pass to Dykas, but Chadwick went to Dykas on the next play with the glue-fingered catcher snagging an out pass and ducking under Bradley and scampering 25 yards to the end zone with 9:31 still in the half, 21-13, Bellemare's kick blocked. Clay got a shot before the half with a first at the Orange Park 33 with 3:21 to halftime and Thomas snagged an inside screen to cut Orange Park's lead to 21-19. A double quarterback formation; Rapoza to Chadwick to Rapoza, got an illegal formation flag on Rapoza's pass catch from Chadwick into the end zone to force a second try that got intercepted by Bradley.

In the third period, Johnson blasted a 36-yard touchdown pass play from Taylor to put Orange Park up 41-25 with 9:57 in the third.

For Clay, Thomas picked up the ensuing kickoff from the Clay 40 and ripped to the Raider five-yard line to set the Blue Devils up for a score with Rapoza following his of-

fensive line to put the game at 41-32.

"Coach Flaherty always says about the offensive line that he wants these five guys up front all the time," said Clay center Cody Mobley. "The mindset, the Clay way, is always don't quit and we think it starts with us moving people up front. Our mindset is just block for whoever is behind us; Merrick or Landon."

A Clay onside kick failed to go 10 yards and Orange Park took over at midfield, but Clay defensive back Neo Addison intercepted an underthrown Taylor ball to give Clay possession near the Clay 19-yard line.

Two plays later, Orange Park defender Orlando Jackson intercepted a Rapoza 50-yard bomb attempt to Dykas in front of the Raider end zone to put the Raiders offense back on the field.

After Clay took over near midfield with an unsportsmanlike flag getting a Blue Devil first down to open the fourth quarter. Orange Park's defense held with Rapoza being stopped a yard from the goal line on a fourth down run, but Orange Park was forced to punt out of the end zone.

The result was a sliced 35-yard scoring pass from Chadwick to Dykas that got the score to 41-39 before the last two-minute theatrics.

"Always pays to have a guy like Payton catching your passes," said Chadwick. "He throws suggestions all the time as to what he sees out there on the field."

# Mawhinney

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and there to get the team title makes us a better team. We communicate and encourage each other throughout the tournament and it keeps everyone calm. Dylan came through for us.”

Mawhinney, who finished tied at 67 (4-under par) with three other golfers; Carson Baez of Windermere, Nolan Harper of Beachside and Camden Goldknopf of Episcopal, all seniors with this flurry in the final four holes.



Even as a 10-year-old golfer, Tyler Mawhinney has always had knack for winning.

With the Fleming Island boys team teetering with the team title being three strokes behind Beachside near after the first nine holes, Fleming Island coach Bruce Cloud was anxious about whether his team could defend last year's title. Fleming Island rose from a third-place score near the midway point to pull out a 281-282 team win over Episcopal and 285 to third-place Beachside. Beachside was up by as much as three strokes early in the tournament.

“We came in with the mindset of, first, winning the tournament, then maybe chasing the record team score we had last year; 271, but the competition today was brutal and every mistake was going to be costly,” said Cloud, noting his team has just two seniors. “Tyler is very confident with his game and kept his cool after the two bogies in the final nine holes.”

With Mawhinney approaching the 18th hole with a blind fairway shot behind a set of bushes to the left of the fairway, the wily slinger settled in and calmly hit to about 12 feet from the pin to set up a possible Eagle finish to close the individual scoring. Goldknopf was the early frontrunner for most of the tournament with Mawhinney falling as far as 10th place.

“I just kept my focus and played my game,” said Mawhinney. “It was hot and I knew those guys were not going to make many mistakes. I only needed one or two.”

At the 18th, with Windermere's Carson



Fleming Island coach Bruce Cloud, third from left, shows off second Randy Warren trophy in two years with his 2023 team that secured a one-point win over Episcopal.



Top left: Tyler Mawhinney sets up for 18th hole Eagle putt while Windermere's Carson Baez takes a look. Right: Orange Park's Brock Buhnerkemper topped the Raiders with a 75 while, below, Windermere's Carson Baez is out after missing 10th hole overtime putt.



Baez hitting his second shot off the fairway about 15 feet into the woods, the mistake was made. Baez made the score tighter prior to the 18th with birdies on 16 and 17 after a bogie on 15. Baez did hit out of the woods successfully to secure a par score, but Mawhinney was now in a position to close the scoring with his putt which landed softly in the cup.

Goldknopf also faltered at 18 with a bogie after Baez's par which put Mawhinney in position.

For the team scoring, Mawhinney's heroics at 18 got Fleming Island to a tie with Episcopal before Frein punched in a birdie putt to secure the win.

Fleming Island finished with Jaylen Abbas at 71, Emmet Kuhlenkemp at 73 and Ryan Houck at 75.

For Episcopal, Goldknopf was on top of the leaderboard with three birdies into the 17th where he hit par then 18 where he bogeyed. Number two for Episcopal was senior Henry Robards who kept pace with a finishing 68 after a strong 32 round in the final nine. Robards struggled in the first nine with a 36 with two bogies that proved costly.

Beachside also had a 67-68 top-two finish, but two finishers with 77 and 79 scores kept Beachside from the team title.

Clay finished 14th in the 24-team field led by John Martin's 75 and Jack Newell's 77. St. Johns Country Day School finished 22nd (Beckham Cummings 78), Middleburg finished 23rd (Lucas Wahlstrom 83) and Orange Park finished 24th (Brock Buhnerkemper 75).

## Game

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enough insulation from big game paraphernalia that just playing their game will change the game.

"Our receivers are young guys, but Merlin (Smith, Oakleaf Junior High coach) has those guys in big games year after year," said Foy. "That will be something we will have to see on Friday. I think they like the big show."

FIHS with Kaylib Singleton in the lockdown, Sebastian Cruz, the centerfielder with range, has much more field play than Oakleaf's youngsters and that will be the factor.

### Defense

The defensive line and linebackers are both top-notch on both teams; J.J. Marsh-Mensie for Oakleaf on the line; Neal Whyte and Dajun Brown at linebackers are quite the trio on the chase.

"We are a zone block kind of front; touch the linemen and then go after the linebackers," said Parker. "Braden Cunningham is about as big and athletic as any athlete I have ever seen and he leads that group. They love to get downfield."

For Fleming Island, even if Joey Couch is on the offensive line, I'm sure Chipoletti will be hard-pressed to keep him from exploding on the defensive side if needed. Nate Van Hof, Cohen Cioffi and William Newman were destruction against Clay and have the chip of dominance on their shoulders to chase out Wallace.

In situations, Chipoletti has a "Big" package with the likes of Cunningham, Reyes and Mackey as a very large defensive front. That alone is a factor for fourth-quarter attrition.

### In other Games

Clay will be answering the ball again in a tough game when district-foe Gainesville is in town Friday. Coach Kyle Kennard and his Blue Devils have had the will to be back in the tradition of Blue Devil football dominance and Orange Park brought out the attitude by reading off names backward through most of the game Friday.

The murmur on the sidelines was the disrespect and Orange Park paid the price for the slight.

That being said, both teams were heightened by the rivalry end of the game and the new stadium end of the game with Clay pulling off a crazy finish for the 42-41 thriller.

Gainesville is 0-3 and with substantial losses; 34-20, 21-0 and 49-7 against two undefeated (Braden River 2-0, Leon 2-0) so they may show up with their aspirations of upset in the vaunted Clay High arena. No snoozing here for Kennard's boys.

Kennard's duo quarterback system has been effective and newcomer ball carriers Geno and Iyen Addison have undertaken the Blue Devil aura.

Ridgeview got their first offensive explosion in a while with their 51-18 win and will be hoping for a springboard effect from the win. Running backs Rayhn Hutchinson



One of the keys to Oakleaf's defensive success is defensive end J.J. Marsh Mensie, here, No. 9, an athletic outside rush threat.

(169 YDs, 3TDs) and Kimal Marshal (103 YDs, 1TD) ran roughshod against Gateway (0-2). Great kick-out blocks from lead block Braylon Hawkins got the Panthers downfield off the corners with Hutchinson going 60 on a direct snap for a score.

For Ridgeview, Beachside is a dangerous foe (2-1) with strong wins in the last two games; 34-15 over Fernandina Beach and 38-7 over Menendez so that is cause for concern with Menendez knocking the socks off Ridgeview 34-8 in the opener.

Looks like Ridgeview could be settling in and finding its mojo. Beachside is a good test.

Keystone Heights (0-2) got smushed by Fort White (2-0) with a 49-26 loss at home fueled by a wicked pass attack and is still looking for the first win for coach Steve Reynolds.

Bell (0-2) comes to Keystone Heights to offer up two teams destined to have one win after Friday. Indians need to let Cartez Daniels loose; up to the offensive line.

Middleburg's schedule last year and thus far this year offers no extra breaths with the first four games against top-tier teams.

Bradford County was the second of two with the Tornadoes whipping up a 32-7 win in the house of 'Burg. Bradford got up fast, 26-7, by halftime with some Bronco miscues. Bronco defensive end Tucker Cody's fumble recovery in the third slowed Bradford.

Next up is Ponte Vedra (1-1) who also ran a gauntlet with a 20-17 loss to Bartram Trail (2-1, loss 28-24 to Daytona Beach Mainland) and a 23-22 win over Florida State University High School to open their season with tough teams.

Ponte Vedra again has a potent offense with dual-action quarterback Benjamin Burk with 416 yards in the air (2TDs) and 148 on the ground. Burk hit four 40-plus yard passes against FSU High.

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## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

THE PUBLIC IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that the Board of County Commissioners of Clay County, Florida, will hold a public hearing Tuesday, September 26, 2023, at 5:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as can be heard. The hearing will be held in the BCC Meeting Room, 4th Floor of the Clay County Administration Building, 477 Houston Street, Green Cove Springs, Florida. The public hearing is scheduled for the purpose of considering adoption of an ordinance entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA, AMENDING SEC. 15-3.3 OF ARTICLE I OF CHAPTER 15 OF THE CLAY COUNTY CODE BY AMENDING SUBSECTION (b) TO PROHIBIT FEEDING ANIMALS IN COUNTY-OWNED PARKS; AMENDING SUBSECTIONS (f) AND (g) TO PROHIBIT OVERNIGHT VEHICULAR PARKING IN COUNTY-OWNED PARKS; ADDING A SUBSECTION (i) TO PROHIBIT SMOKING, VAPING, AND THE USE OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS IN COUNTY-OWNED PARKS; AND AMENDING THE CURRENT SUBSECTION (j) TO PROVIDE FOR ADDITIONAL PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS AND REDESIGNATING SUCH SUBSECTION AS SUBSECTION (m); PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

Interested parties may appear at the meeting and be heard with respect to the proposed ordinance. After the public hearing the Board may take immediate action on the proposed ordinance, or may continue its deliberations to a date, time and place then announced without publishing further notice thereof. A copy of the proposed ordinance may be inspected by members of the public in the office of the Clay County County Attorney, Second Floor of the Clay County Administration Building, 477 Houston Street, Green Cove Springs, Florida, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, with the exception of legal holidays. Pursuant to Section 286.0105, Florida Statutes, a person deciding to appeal any decision made by the Board of County Commissioners with respect to any matter considered at the meeting or at any subsequent meeting to which the Board has continued its deliberations is advised that such person will need a record of all proceedings and may need to ensure that a verbatim record of all proceedings is made, which must include the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person needing accommodations to participate in this matter should contact Clay County Risk Management by mail at P.O. Box 1366, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043, or by telephone at (904) 278-4718, no later than three (3) days prior to the hearing or proceeding for which this notice has been given. Deaf and hard of hearing persons can access the telephone number by contacting the Florida Relay Service at 1-800-955-8770 (Voice) or 1-800-955-8771 (TDD).

Board of County Commissioners  
Clay County, Florida  
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## BID ADVERTISEMENT

Sealed bids will be received by the City of Green Cove Springs, Attn: Kimberly Thomas, 321 Walnut Street, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043, until **10:00 a.m. local time, October 9, 2023**, at which time the bids will be publicly opened and read aloud, for the following City of Green Cove Springs project:  
**ITB No. 2023-09, TREE TRIMMING FOR ELECTRICAL DISTRIBUTION/SERVICE LINES**

Proposals shall comply with the conditions, instructions, specifications, and terms as described in the bid package. Bids shall be mailed or delivered in person to City Hall, Attn: Kimberly Thomas, 321 Walnut Street, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043. Faxed, electronic, telephonic, or oral transmittals will not be accepted. Any bid received after the designated closing time will be immediately rejected. Bids shall be sealed in an envelope plainly marked: **ITB No. 2023-09, TREE TRIMMING FOR ELECTRICAL DISTRIBUTION/SERVICE LINES**.

Bidders are expected to fully inform themselves of the requirements of the specifications. Failure to do so is at the Bidder's risk. Bidders will not secure relief on the plea of error or misunderstanding. Bidders agree by signing and delivering a bid proposal to the acceptance of all terms, conditions, and specifications of the bid package. **Bids are valid for a period of 60 calendar days after date of opening.**

Bidders declare that the only persons or parties interested in their bid are those named on the Bid Proposal Form. They state that their bid is in all respects fair and without fraud and without collusion with any official, agent, or employee of the City or anyone submitting another bid. The City reserves the right to require the successful bidder to execute an agreement incorporating all bid documentation, and which contains standard provisions for default, bid security, attorney fees, termination, remedies, jurisdiction, and other conditions deemed legally appropriate by the City. It is the desire of the City to enter into an agreement to complete this singular project.

The City reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids in whole, or any part thereof, waive any or all irregularities, and award the bid to the responsible bidder

determined to represent the City's best interests. Bid packages may be obtained from the City's website [www.greencovesprings.com](http://www.greencovesprings.com), under the bidding opportunities section; or by calling Kimberly Thomas at City Hall, phone (904) 297-7500, ext. 3320. By: Kimberly Thomas  
Executive Assistant of City Manager  
City of Green Cove Springs  
321 Walnut Street  
Green Cove Springs, FL 32043  
L. Steve Kennedy, City Manager  
**Legal 84382 Published 9/14/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

## NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN:** RUBEN MORENO, 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.: 836/2018**  
**Legal Description:** LOT 17 BLK 89 HIGHRIDGE ESTATE AS REC O R 2621 PG 1297  
**Parcel ID No.:** 210823-004112-000-00  
**Opening Bid Amount:** \$1,857,211  
**Physical Address:** 6219 EMORY AVE, KEYSTONE HEIGHTS  
**Classification:** VACANT RESIDENTIAL  
**Name in which assessed:** IRINA TITUEVA

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 **20th day of September, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com.**  
**Dated this 11th day of September, 2023**  
TARA S. GREEN  
Clay County Clerk & Comptroller  
Clay County, Florida  
By: Christina Spadea  
Deputy Clerk  
**Legal 84381 Published 9/14/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

## NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN:** JOCELYN MOLINA, 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.:** 4150/2016  
**Legal Description:** LOTS 13 & 24 BLK 32 LAKE GENEVA AS REC O R 76 PG 273, 413 PG 482, 844  
**PG 317 & 1497 PG 1912**  
**Parcel ID No.:** 280823-021923-000-00  
**Opening Bid Amount:** \$2,917,116  
**Physical Address:** COUNTY ROAD 214, KEYSTONE HEIGHTS  
**Classification:** VACANT RESIDENTIAL  
**Name in which assessed:** KEITH E VAN ASTEN, KYLE J VAN ASTEN

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 **20th day of September, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com.**  
**Dated this 11th day of September, 2023**  
TARA S. GREEN  
Clay County Clerk & Comptroller  
Clay County, Florida  
By: Christina Spadea  
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 **DRAGON AND HOUND PUBLISHING**, located at 1787 Margaret's Walk Rd, 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 Middleburg, Florida, this 11th day of September 2023.  
**DRAGON AND HOUND LLC**  
**Legal 84379 Published 9/14/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

## NOTICE OF ACTION

IN THE COUNTY COURT, JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR, CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA  
CASE NO.: 2023-CC-982  
DIVISION: CC-  
**TWO CREEKS OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.**  
Plaintiff,  
vs.  
**DANIEL GERARD AND STEPHANIE STILTZ**  
Defendants.  
TO: Daniel Gerard  
**YOU ARE NOTIFIED** that the above-styled action to foreclose the lien on the following described property in Clay County, Florida:  
Lot 608, Two Creeks, a subdivision according to the plat thereof, recorded in Plat Book 52, Page(s) 62 through 104, in the Public Records of Clay County, Florida.  
Property Address: 4030 Sandhill Crane

## CLAY COUNTY LEGAL NOTICES

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@crabtreefirm.com](mailto:ems@crabtreefirm.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 6th day of September, 2023.  
CLERK OF COUNTY COURT  
By: Nicole Barrie  
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 [crntntrp@coj.net](mailto:crntntrp@coj.net) or (904) 255-1695, 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.  
**Legal 84378 Published 9/14/2023 and 9/21/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

## Clay County School Board Public Notice

The Clay County School Board will hold a School Board Workshop on **Tuesday, September 26, 2023, at 9:00 a.m.**, in the District Multi-Purpose Center located at the corner of Walnut Street and Gratio Place in Green Cove Springs, Florida, 32043, for the purpose of reviewing the agenda for the October 5, 2023 Regular Meeting. Additional items may be discussed. The meeting is open to the public and all interested parties are invited to attend. Any person requiring special accommodations to attend or participate in public meetings should advise the School District at least 48 hours before the meeting by contacting the Superintendent's Office at (904) 336-6508. If you are hearing or speech impaired, you may contact the District by email addressed to [bonnie.onora@myoneclay.net](mailto:bonnie.onora@myoneclay.net) or by calling (904) 336-6584 (TDD). Copies of the proposed agenda will be available online at [www.oneclay.net](http://www.oneclay.net) or by contacting the Superintendent's Office, 900 Walnut Street, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043. If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at the meeting, he or she will need a record of the proceedings, and, for such purpose, he or she may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.  
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## NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN:** RAM TAX LIEN FUND LP, 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.:** 204/2021  
**Legal Description:** LOT 53 KINGSLEY COVE AS REC O R 4193 PG 1009  
**Parcel ID No.:** 150623-021646-002-53  
**Opening Bid Amount:** \$2,209,211  
**Physical Address:** 6426 CABANA TRC, STARKE  
**Classification:** VACANT RESIDENTIAL  
**Name in which assessed:** KC FARMS 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 **15th day of November, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com.**  
**Dated this 11th day of September, 2023**  
TARA S. GREEN  
Clay County Clerk & Comptroller  
Clay County, Florida  
By: Christina Spadea  
Deputy Clerk  
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## Notice of Regular Meeting Fleming Island Plantation Community Development District

The Board of Supervisors of the Fleming Island Plantation Community Development District will hold their Regular Meeting on **Tuesday, September 26, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.**, at the Splash Park, located at 1510 Calming Water Drive, Fleming Island, Florida.  
The meeting is open to the public and will be conducted in accordance with the provisions of Florida law for Community Development Districts. This meeting may be continued to a date, time, and location to be specified on the record at the meeting without further publication of notice.  
A copy of the agenda may be obtained seven (7) days in advance of the meeting by accessing the District's website or by contacting the District Manager at [Janice.Davis@inframark.com](mailto:Janice.Davis@inframark.com). Any person

requiring special accommodations at this meeting because of a disability or physical impairment should contact the District Office at least 48 hours prior to the meeting. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the Florida Relay Service at 7-1-1 or 800-955-8771 (TTY)/800-955-8770 (Voice), for aid in contacting the District Office.  
Each person who decides to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at this meeting is advised that person will 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.  
Janice Eggleton Davis  
District Manager  
**Legal 84375 Published 9/14/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

## PUBLIC SALE

We Stor of Middleburg, LLC will conduct a public sale to the highest bidder. The sale will take place online at [selfstorageauction.com](http://selfstorageauction.com) in enforcement of Florida Statutes section 83.806 ending Thursday, September 28, 2023, at 4:30pm on the following units. The company reserves the right to reject any bid and withdraw any items from the sale. All units contain household goods unless otherwise noted: Brian Blanton, Justin Cogger, Tina Crisp, Jacob Griffin, Joshua Hartwell, Sabra Magnuson, Frank Morabito, Mark Schleiger, Michelle Sidders, Christopher Turner, and Sandra Waters.  
**Legal 84372 Published 9/14/2023 and 9/21/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

## NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 4TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA  
CIVIL DIVISION:  
CASE NO.: 2023-CA-001020- LAKEVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC., Plaintiff,

vs.  
GERALD CORA; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF GERALD CORA; UNKNOWN TENANT IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY, Defendants.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** pursuant to an Order or Final Judgment entered in the above styled cause now pending in said court and as required by Florida Statute 45.031(2), TARA S. GREEN as the Clerk of the Circuit Court shall sell to the highest and best bidder for cash electronically at <https://clay.realforeclose.com/> at **10:00 AM on the 08 day of November 2023**, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:  
**LOT 17, BLOCK 7, BELLAIR, UNIT 2, AS PER PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 6, PAGES 48 AND 49, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.**  
**PROPERTY ADDRESS: 397 SONORA DR, ORANGE PARK, FL 32073**

IF YOU ARE A PERSON CLAIMING A RIGHT TO FUNDS REMAINING AFTER THE SALE, 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 AS UNCLAIMED, ONLY THE OWNER OF RECORD AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS MAY CLAIM THE SURPLUS.

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 [crntntrp@coj.net](mailto:crntntrp@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.  
Dated this 8th day of September, 2023.  
TARA S. GREEN  
Clerk Of The Circuit Court  
By: Chelsey Mason  
Deputy Clerk  
**Legal 84371 Published 9/14/2023 and 9/21/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

BURGART ENTERPRISES TOWING INC. gives notice that on 09/29/2023 at 12:00 PM the following vehicles(s) may be sold by public sale at 4360 CR 218 MIDDLEBURG, 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.  
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**Legal 83983 Published 9/14/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

## SCHOOL BOARD OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA APPROVAL TO ADVERTISE/NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO APPROVE REVISIONS TO SCHOOL BOARD POLICY 1.15 (PARENTAL RIGHTS, NOTIFICATION AND STUDENT WELFARE POLICY)

**Approval to Advertise:** The School Board of Clay County, Florida ("the Board") approves the advertisement of revisions to School Board Policy 1.15 (Parental Rights, Notification and Student Welfare Policy).

**Purpose & Effect:** The proposed amendments are intended to simplify, update, and ensure alignment of School Board Policies with state law, federal law, State Board of Education Rules, and other applicable rules and regulations.

**Access to Text of Proposed Amendments:** The full text of the proposed revisions to SB Policy 1.15 is available for inspection and copying by the public in the Office of the Superintendent for Clay County District Schools, located at 900 Walnut Street, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043. The full text is also available via the School District's website at [www.oneclay.net](http://www.oneclay.net) under the School Board Meeting Links, School Board Agendas - September 7, 2023. The Superintendent is authorized to correct technical errors in grammar, numbering, section designations, and cross-references as may be necessary to reflect the intention of such Policy amendments.

**Rule Making Authority:** The Board is authorized to adopt revisions to School Board Policy 1.15 (Parental Rights, Notification and Student Welfare Policy) under sections 120.54, 1001.31, and 1001.32 of the Florida Statutes.

**Laws Implemented:** The laws implemented by the above-referenced policy revisions are noted under each section of the Policy.

**Person(s) Originating Policy Changes:** The proposed policy was originated by the Superintendent and his designee(s) in collaboration with the School Board Attorney.

**Public Hearing:** The Board intends to formally adopt proposed revisions to School Board Policy 1.15 following a public hearing. **The public hearing shall be held on Thursday, November 2, 2023**, during the course of the Board's regular meeting, which begins at **6:00 p.m.** and takes place in the Boardroom at the Teacher In-service Training Center at Fleming Island High School, 2233 Village Square Parkway, Orange Park, Florida.

Any person requiring special accommodations to attend or participate in public meetings should advise the School District at least 48 hours before the meeting by contacting the Superintendent's Office at (904) 336-6508. If you are hearing or speech impaired, you may contact the District by email addressed to [bonnie.onora@myoneclay.net](mailto:bonnie.onora@myoneclay.net) or by calling (904) 336-6584 (TDD).

If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at the meeting, he or she will need a record of the proceedings, and, for such purpose, he or she may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

**Legal 83982 Published 9/14/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

## 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 **UAS Mapping XYZ**, located at 4260 Great Falls Loop, 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 Middleburg, Florida, this 8th day of September 2023.  
Mohannad W Malas  
**Legal 83981 Published 9/14/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

## NOTICE OF ACTION

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 4TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA  
CIVIL DIVISION  
CASE NO.: 2023-CA-001222- TIAA, FSB, Plaintiff,  
vs.  
UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVEISEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES  
AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF JEFFREY M. HAAS, et al.,  
Defendants.

TO:  
**UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVEISEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF JEFFREY M. HAAS**  
**Also Attempted At: 5409 WEAVER ROAD, ORANGE PARK, FL 32065**  
**Current Residence Unknown**  
**UNKNOWN SUCCESSOR TRUSTEES OF THE JEFFREY AND SYBIL HAAS**

**REVOCABLE TRUST U/A DATED APRIL 25, 2013**  
**Also Attempted At: 5409 WEAVER ROAD, ORANGE PARK, FL 32065**  
**Current Residence Unknown**  
**UNKNOWN BENEFICIARIES OF THE JEFFREY AND SYBIL HAAS REVOCABLE TRUST U/A DATED APRIL 25, 2013**  
**Also Attempted At: 5409 WEAVER ROAD, ORANGE PARK, FL 32065**  
**Current Residence Unknown**  
YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for Foreclosure of Mortgage on the following described property:  
**LOT 3, BLOCK "E", LAKESIDE ESTATES UNIT 9, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 10, PAGES 57, 58, 59 & 60, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.**

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it, on De Cubas & Lewis, P.A., Attorney for Plaintiff, whose address is **PO BOX 5026, CORAL SPRINGS, FL 33310** on or before a date at least thirty (30) days after the first publication of this Notice in the CLAY TODAY and file the original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint.

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator at [crntntrp@coj.net](mailto:crntntrp@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.  
WITNESS my hand and the seal of this Court this 7th day of September, 2023.

TARA S. GREEN  
As Clerk of the Court  
By Gracie Moore  
As Deputy Clerk  
**Legal 83980 Published 9/14/2023 and 9/21/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

## NOTICE OF ACTION

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY  
GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION  
CASE NO. 2023CA001250  
TRUIST BANK, SUCCESSOR BY MERGER  
TO SUNTRUST BANK,  
Plaintiff,  
vs.

HOA PROBLEM SOLUTIONS 5 INC., AS TRUSTEE OF THE 4075 SANDHILL CRANE TER LAND TRUST, et al.,  
Defendant.

To the following Defendant(s):  
**ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER AND AGAINST THE 4075 SANDHILL CRANE TER LAND TRUST, WHETHER SAID UNKNOWN PARTIES MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST AS TRUSTEES, BENEFICIARIES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS**  
**ADDRESS: UNKNOWN**

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for Foreclosure of Mortgage on the following described property:  
LOT 556, TWO CREEKS, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 52, PAGES 62 THROUGH 104, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it, on McCalla Rayermer Leibert Pierce, LLC, Sara Collins, Attorney for Plaintiff, whose address is 225 East Robinson Street, Suite 155, Orlando, FL 32801 on or before a date which is within thirty (30) days after the first publication of this Notice in 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 demand in the complaint.

WITNESS my hand and seal of this Court this 7th day of September, 2023.  
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT  
As Clerk of the Court  
BY: Jennifer Brosky  
Deputy Clerk  
**Legal 83979 Published 9/14/2023 and 9/21/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA  
CASE NO.: 2023-CP-000429  
DIVISION: PROBATE  
IN RE: THE ESTATE OF RUSSELL F. MISNER  
Deceased.

The administration of the estate of RUSSELL F. MISNER, deceased, is pending in the Circuit Court for Clay County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is the Clay County Courthouse, 825 North Orange Ave., Green Cove Springs, FL 32043. The names and addresses of the petitioner and the petitioner's attorney are set forth below.

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

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against the Decedent's estate, including unmaturred, contingent or unliquidated claims, must file their claims with this Court WITHIN THREE MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

**ALL CLAIMS NOT SO FILED WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.**

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

The date of first publication of this Notice is September 14, 2023.

Attorney for Personal Representative:  
Charles W. Brown, Esquire  
Fla. Bar No. 51975  
Email: cwb@crabtreefirm.com  
8777 San Jose Blvd., Bldg. A, #200  
Jacksonville, Florida 32217  
(904) 732-9701  
Petitioner  
Paul Misner  
3540 Pacetti Rd.  
St. Augustine, FL 32092  
**Legal 83845 Published 9/14/2023 and 9/21/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

## PUBLIC SALE

SCOTT'S AFFORDABLE TOWING INC gives Notice to sell the following vehicles for towing and storage lien on September 28, 2023, at 10:00 AM at 2909 BLANDING BLVD MIDDLEBURG, FL 32068, pursuant to subsection 713.78 of the Florida Statutes.  
2015 Buick ID# KL4CJASB6FB270923  
**Legal 83844 Published 9/14/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

## 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 **CMO Services**, located at 1251 Travers Rd, in the County of Clay, in the City of Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043 intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida. Dated at Green Cove Springs, Florida, this 7th day of September 2023.  
Kingdom Work Consultants LLC  
**Legal 83843 Published 9/14/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

## 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 **Talley Pâtisserie**, located at 3563 Lawton Place, in the County of Clay, in the City of Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043 intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida. Dated at Green Cove Springs, Florida, this 6th day of September 2023.  
Cassidy Prince  
**Legal 83838 Published 9/14/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

## NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA  
CASE NO. 2020CA000271  
BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., Plaintiff,  
vs.  
UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES,  
ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES  
AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF DONALD RAY OWENS SR., et al.  
Defendant(s)  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated **February 23, 2023**, and entered in 2020CA000271 of the Circuit Court of the FOURTH Judicial Circuit in and for Clay County, Florida, wherein BANK OF AMERICA, N.A. is the Plaintiff and UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF DONALD RAY OWENS SR.; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF DONALD OWENS SR.; UNKNOWN TENANT; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT; KIMBERLY ANN OWENS A/K/A KIMBERLY ANN MCDOWELL; DONALD RAY OWENS JR.; DONALD RAY OWENS III 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](http://www.clay.realforeclose.com), at 10:00 AM, on **OCTOBER 4, 2023**, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

**LOT 5, BLOCK 188, BLACK CREEK PARK UNIT TWO, ACCORDING TO PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 11, PAGES 34 THROUGH 49, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.**  
Property Address: 2471 HALPERNS WAY, MIDDLEBURG, FL 32068  
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 3 day of August, 2023.  
Tara S. Green  
As Clerk of the Court  
By: Leigh Lucroy  
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 [crtrintp@coj.net](mailto:crtrintp@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.**  
**Legal 83837 Published 9/14/2023 and 9/21/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

## NOTICE OF SALE

IN THE COUNTY COURT, FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR, CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA  
CASE NO.: 2023-CC-000709  
DIVISION:  
**TWO CREEKS OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.,**  
Plaintiff,  
vs.  
**LINDA SMITH, UNKNOWN TENANT NO. 1, and UNKNOWN TENANT NO. 2,**  
Defendants.

Notice is given that pursuant to a Summary Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on August 22, 2023, in the above styled civil action of the County Court, in and for Clay County, Florida, in which LINDA SMITH AND UNKNOWN TENANTS NO. 1 AND 2 are the Defendants, and TWO CREEKS OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., is the Plaintiff, I will sell to the highest bidder for cash at 10:00 a.m. on October 12, 2023, on Clay County's Public Auction website: [www.clay.realforeclose.com](http://www.clay.realforeclose.com) in accordance with Chapter 45, Florida Statutes, the following described real property set forth in the Summary Final Judgment of Foreclosure:  
Lot 7, Two Creeks, according to the map or plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 52, Pages 62 through 104, inclusive, 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 6th day of September, 2023.  
TARA S GREEN  
CLERK OF COUNTY COURT  
By: Robbin Tefft  
Deputy Clerk  
**Legal 83836 Published 9/14/2023 and 9/21/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA  
CASE NO.: 2023 CP 433  
IN RE: ESTATE OF LEE YODER,  
Deceased

The administration of the estate of Lee Yoder, deceased, whose date of death was May 17, 2023, is pending in the Circuit Court for Clay County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is P.O. Box 698, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043-0698. 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 September 14, 2023.  
Attorney for Personal Representative:  
/s/ Dawn Ellis, Esq.  
Attorney for Personal Representative  
E-mail Address: Dawn@MyFloridaProbate.com

Florida Bar Number: 091979  
My Florida Probate, PA  
Dawn Ellis, Esq., for the firm  
P.O. Box 952  
Floral City, FL 34436 0952  
(352) 726 5444  
Personal Representative:  
Stacy Jill Kaminski  
7540 S. Groveswood Loop  
Floral City, FL 34436  
**Legal 83835 Published 9/14/2023 and 9/21/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

## 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 **Primavera Regenerative Medicine**, located at 411 Walnut St. #6714, in the County of Clay, in the City of Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043 intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida. Dated at Delray Beach, Florida, this 5th day of September 2023.  
SE INTERNATIONAL LLC  
**Legal 83832 Published 9/14/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

## NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO F.S. CHAPTER 45

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA  
CASE NO.: 2022-CA-001032  
DENANN LLC,  
Plaintiff,  
-vs-  
MADISON ILUH INC., a Florida corporation, SPIRITS & MUSIC LLC, a Florida limited liability company, MICHAEL R. YOKAN, INDIVIDUALLY, STAPLEN RICHARDSON, INDIVIDUALLY, DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION, DIVISION OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO and DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE,  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to an Agreed Final Summary Judgment of Foreclosure entered on August 4, 2023 in this cause, in the Circuit Court of Clay County, Florida, the office of Tara S. Green, Clerk of the Circuit Court, shall sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at 10:00 a.m. on October 4, 2023 at [www.clay.realforeclose.com](http://www.clay.realforeclose.com), the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

**Florida alcoholic beverage license number 20-00085 3 PS (Clay County)**  
If you are a person claiming a right to funds remaining after the sale, you must file a claim with the clerk no later than 60 days after the sale. If you fail to file a claim, you will not be entitled to any remaining funds.  
Dated this 5th day of September, 2023.  
SCOTT C. TEPPER, ESQ.  
Fla. Bar No. 0973882  
120 East Granada Blvd.  
Ormond Beach, FL 32176  
(386) 677-6475  
Attorney for Plaintiff, DENANN  
E-mail: scottepper@cfl.rr.com  
scott@floridaliquorloan.com  
Dated on September 6, 2023.  
TARA S. GREEN  
Clerk of the Circuit Court  
By: Jennifer Brosky  
Deputy Clerk  
**Legal 83690 Published 9/14/2023 and 9/21/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

## AMENDED NOTICE OF ACTION

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 4TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA  
CASE NO. 2023CA001143  
TOWD POINT MORTGAGE TRUST 2020-4, U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS INDENTURE TRUSTEE,  
Plaintiff,  
vs.  
UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES, AND ALL OTHER PARTIES CLAIMING AN INTEREST BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST THE ESTATE OF RONALD E. BARNHILL A/K/A RONALD BARNHILL, DECEASED; ET AL.,  
Defendants.

To the following Defendant(s):  
**UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES, AND ALL OTHER PARTIES CLAIMING AN INTEREST BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST THE ESTATE OF RONALD E. BARNHILL A/K/A RONALD BARNHILL, DECEASED**  
(LAST KNOWN ADDRESSES-3662 MA-TEO PLACE, ORANGE PARK, FL 32065; and 4300 HIGHWAY 22, APT 367, MANDEVILLE, LA 70471)  
YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for Foreclosure of Mortgage on the following described property:

**LOT 8, BLOCK 4, MINIATURE ACRES, UNIT 2, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 10, PAGES 27 AND 28, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.**  
**a/k/a 3662 Mateo Place, Orange Park, FL 32065**  
has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it, upon Heller, Zion & Sanchez, LLP, Attorneys for Plaintiff, whose address is 1428 Brickell Avenue, Suite 600, Miami, FL 33131, Designated Email Address: [mail@hellerzion.com](mailto:mail@hellerzion.com), on or before a date which is within thirty (30) days after the first publication of this Notice in the **CLAY TODAY** and file the original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on Plaintiffs attorney or immediately thereafter, otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief

demand in the Verified Complaint To Foreclose Mortgage.

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 [crtrintp@coj.net](mailto:crtrintp@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 the seal of this Court this 5th day of September, 2023.

**TARA S. GREEN**  
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT  
By: Chelsey Mason  
As Deputy Clerk  
**Legal 83488 Published 9/14/2023 and 9/21/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

## 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 **ZanZia Design**, located at 1800 Park Ave, Apt. 483, 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 5th day of September 2023.  
Paulette Dunn  
**Legal 83487 Published 9/14/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

## NOTICE OE JUDICIAL SALE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA  
CASE NO: 2023CA001110  
**CLAY COUNTY LAND TRUST 13-05-24-021388-182-54,**  
Plaintiff(s),  
v.  
**MAPLE GARDENS ASSOCIATION; LLC,**  
Defendant(s).

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that a judicial sale will be made pursuant to an Order or Final Judgment for Partition entered in the above styled cause of action. The Clerk of Court, Tara S. Green, shall sell the following described real property at a public sale online at <https://clay.realforeclose.com/> to the highest bidder or bidders for cash beginning at **10:00 a.m. on October 4, 2023** in accordance with Section 45.031, Florida Statutes:  
**LOT 54, RAVINES REPLAT NO. 7, ACCORDING TO PLAT TREREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 41, PAGE 42-45, PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA**

**Property Address:** 3817 Nature Walk Court, Middleburg, FL 32068  
**Parcel Identification Number:** 13-05-24-021388-182-54 (the "Property").  
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.  
DATE: September 5, 2023.  
CLERK OF COURT  
By: Chelsey Mason  
Deputy Clerk  
**Legal 83486 Published 9/14/2023 and 9/21/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

## RE-NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA  
CASE NO. 2020CA000884  
DEUTSCHE BANK TRUST COMPANY AMERICAS, AS TRUSTEE FOR RESIDENTIAL ACCREDIT LOANS, INC., MORTGAGE ASSET-BACKED PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-QS13, Plaintiff,  
vs.  
GEORGE SAMANIEGO A/K/A GEORGE W. SAMANIEGO; SILVIA J. SAMANIEGO A/K/A SILVIA SAMANIEGO, ET AL.; ET AL.  
Defendants

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order Rescheduling the Foreclosure Sale dated August 18, 2023, and entered in Case No. 2020CA000884, of the Circuit Court of the Fourth Judicial Circuit in and for Clay County, Florida. DEUTSCHE BANK TRUST COMPANY AMERICAS, AS TRUSTEE FOR RESIDENTIAL ACCREDIT LOANS, INC., MORTGAGE ASSET-BACKED PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-QS13 (hereafter "Plaintiff"), is Plaintiff and GEORGE SAMANIEGO A/K/A GEORGE W. SAMANIEGO; SILVIA J. SAMANIEGO A/K/A SILVIA SAMANIEGO; SILVER CREEK OF CLAY COUNTY HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., are defendants. Tara S. Green, Clerk of the Circuit Court for CLAY County Florida will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash via the Internet at [www.clay.realforeclose.com](http://www.clay.realforeclose.com) at 10:00 a.m. on the **4th day of October, 2023**, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:  
**LOT 510, SILVER CREEK, ACCORDING**

**TO PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 44, PAGE 52-72, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.**

**"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 ADA Coordinator, Phone no. 904-255-1695, via Email [crtrintp@coj.net](mailto:crtrintp@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."**  
**"Si usted es una persona minusválida que necesita algún acomodamiento para poder participar en este procedimiento, usted tiene derecho, sin tener gastos propios, a que se le provea cierta ayuda. Tenga la amabilidad de ponerse en contacto con ADA Coordinador, ADA Coordinador, Phone no. 904-255-1695, via Email [crtrintp@coj.net](mailto:crtrintp@coj.net) net por lo menos 7 días antes de la cita fijada para su comparecencia en los tribunales, o inmediatamente después de recibir esta notificación si el tiempo antes de la comparecencia que se ha programado es menos de 7 días; si usted tiene discapacidad del oído o de la voz, llame al 711."**

**"Si ou uen youn moun ki andikape ou enfim ki bezwen akomodasyon pou w ka patisipe nan pwosedi sa, ou kalifye san ou pa gen okenn lajan pou w peye, gen pwovizyon pou jwen kèk èd. Tanpri kontakte ADA Coordinador, ADA Coordinador, Phone no. 904-255-1695, via Email [crtrintp@coj.net](mailto:crtrintp@coj.net) nan 7 jou avan dat ou gen randevou pou parèt nan tribinal la, oubyen imedyatman apre ou fin resevwa konvokasyon an si li ou gen pou w parèt nan tribinal la mwens ke 7 jou; si ou gen pwoblèm pou w tande oubyen pale, rele 711."**  
Dated this 1st day of September, 2023.

Tara S. Green  
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT  
By Gracie Moore  
As Deputy Clerk  
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.  
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## NOTICE OF ACTION

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA  
CIVIL DIVISION  
CASE NO.: 2023CA001125  
FREEDOM MORTGAGE CORPORATION, PLAINTIFF,  
vs.  
MICHAEL M. COSGROVE, KIMONE COSGROVE, PINE RIDGE PLANTATION OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., SOLAR MOSAIC, INC., AND UNKNOWN TENANT IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY, DEFENDANT(S).

TO: **KIMONE COSGROVE**  
Last Known Address: **1075 WETLAND RIDGE CIR, MIDDLEBURG, FL 32068**  
Current Residence: UNKNOWN  
YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for Foreclosure of Mortgage on the following described property:

Lot 659, Pine Ridge Plantation Phase 2-A, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 57, Pages 9-14, of the public records of Clay County, Florida. has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it, on MILLER, GEORGE & SUGGS, PLLC, Attorney for Plaintiff, whose address is 210 N. University Drive, Suite 900, Coral Springs, FL 33071, on or before October 20, 2023, a date at least thirty (30) days after the first publication of this Notice in The Clay Today, 3513 U.S. Highway 17, Fleming Island, FL 32003 and file the original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint.

**If you are a person with a disability who needs an accommodation in order to access court facilities or participate in a court proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. To request such an accommodation, please contact Court Administration at least three business days prior to the required service by using one of the following methods: Phone - (904) 630-2564; Fax - (904) 630-1146; TTD/TTY - (800) 955-8770 (Florida Relay Service). E-Mail - [crtrintp@coj.net](mailto:crtrintp@coj.net).**  
WITNESS my hand and the seal of this Court this 5th day of September, 2023.  
TARA S. GREEN  
As Clerk of the Circuit Court  
By: Gracie Moore  
As Deputy Clerk  
**Legal 83484 Published 9/14/2023 and 9/21/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

## NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA  
GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION  
CASE NO. 2010CA000908  
BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING, LP

FKA COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING LP,  
Plaintiff,

vs.  
LETHA D. DANIELL A/K/A LETHA R. DANIELL,  
et al.  
Defendant(s).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated January 18, 2023, and entered in 2010CA000908 of the Circuit Court of the FOURTH Judicial Circuit in and for Clay County, Florida, wherein U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY AS OWNER TRUSTEE FOR RCF 2 ACQUISITION TRUST is the Plaintiff and LETHA D. DANIELL A/K/A LETHA R. DANIELL; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF LETHA D. DANIELL 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](http://www.clay.realforeclose.com), at 10:00 AM, on September 27, 2023, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

**A PARCEL OF LAND SITUATED IN THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 36, TOWNSHIP 5 SOUTH, RANGE 24 EAST, CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA, SAID PARCEL BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCE AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 36; THENCE ON THE EAST LINE THERE OF RUN NORTH 00 DEGREES 08' 20" WEST, 3524.50 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE CONTINUE NORTH 00 DEGREES 08' 20" WEST, 175.10 FEET; THENCE SOUTH SOUTH 89 DEGREES 51' 30" WEST, 622.02 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 08' 20" EAST 175.10 FEET; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 51' 30" EAST, 622.02 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.**

**Property Address: 3105 THUNDER RD, MIDDLEBURG, FL 32068**

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 1 day of September, 2023.

Tara S. Green  
As Clerk of the Court  
By: Jennifer Brosky  
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 [crtrintp@coj.net](mailto:crtrintp@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.**  
**Legal 82988 Published 9/7/2023 and 9/14/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA  
PROBATE DIVISION  
FILE NUMBER: 2023-CP-000439  
DIVISION: B  
IN RE: ESTATE OF MARILYN ELIZABETH HENRY, Deceased,

The administration of the estate of MARILYN ELIZABETH HENRY, deceased, whose date of death was July 24, 2023, is pending in the Circuit Court for Clay County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is Clay County Circuit Court, Probate Division, 825 North 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 ON OR BEFORE THE LATER OF THREE (3) MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR THIRTY (30) DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against 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 AND DEMANDS 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 PERIODS 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 September 7, 2023.  
Attorney for Personal Representative: GERALDINE C. HARTIN, Esquire  
Florida Bar 15201  
3168 Highway 17, Suite A  
Fleming Island, FL 32003  
904-278-3888  
[geraldine.hartin@gmail.com](mailto:geraldine.hartin@gmail.com)  
Personal Representative:  
PAUL MELVIN WALKER  
2780 Quails Nest Drive  
Green Cove Springs, Florida, 32043  
**Legal 82861 Published 9/7/2023 and 9/14/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

A-1 TOWING AND RECOVERY gives notice that on 10/04/2023 at 08:00 AM the following vehicle(s) may be sold by public sale at 3052 JOE JOHNS RD MIDDLEBURG, 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. 5N1AA08B74N739880 2004 NISS 1GNET16MX56198756 2005 CHEV 1GND513S062160382 2006 CHEV KNDMB233066044132 2006 KIA 2C4RDCGC7ER178921 2014 DODG ZFBCFAAH7EZ017535 2014 FIAT 3N1AB7AP5FY330009 2015 NISS  
**Legal 82860 Published 9/14/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

## NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN:** LANE VANCE-LAVA ASSETS 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.: 893/2020**  
**Legal Description:** LOT 12 BLK 94 HIGHRIDGE ESTATE AS REC O R 3142 PG 457  
**Parcel ID No.:** 210823-004180-000-00  
**Opening Bid Amount:** \$2,247.15  
**Physical Address:** 7141 WESLEYAN DR , 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 **15th day of November, 2023 at 9:30 A.M. at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com**.  
**Dated this 31st day of August, 2023**  
 TARA S . GREEN  
 Clay County Clerk & Comptroller  
 Clay County, Florida  
 By: Christina Spadea  
 Deputy Clerk  
**Legal 82858 Published 9/7/2023, 9/14/2023, 9/21/2023 and 9/28/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

## NOTICE OF ACTION IN EMINENT DOMAIN AND NOTICE OF HEARING

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA  
 Case No. 2023-CA-1298  
 Division: A  
 Parcels: 201 and 800  
 CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA a political subdivision of the State of Florida,  
 Petitioner,

PRISCILLA C. NORWOOD a/k/a PRISCILLA NORWOOD HARRIS, a/k/a PRISCILLA HARRIS, a married woman, STEWART HARRIS, a married man, FIRSTBANK, a Tennessee corporation, MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., a Delaware corporation, and DIANE HUTCHINGS, Clay County Tax Collector, Respondents.

STATE OF FLORIDA TO: To the above named Respondents and all said Respondent who are living, and if any or all Respondent are deceased, the unknown spouse, heirs, devisees, grantees, creditors, lienors, or other parties claiming by, through, under or against any such deceased Respondent or Respondents, if alive, and if dead, their unknown spouse, heirs, devisees, legatees, grantees, creditors, lienors, or other parties claiming by, through, under or against any such deceased Respondent or Respondents, and all other parties having or claiming to have any right, title or interest in and to the Property described in the Petition in Eminent Domain, to-wit:  
 Bond Program Project No. 2  
 Parcels 201 and 800  
 CR 209 from CR 315B to Highway 17  
**PARCEL 201A**  
 A PORTION OF PARCEL ID: 29-05-26-014448-000-00, CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

**COMMENCE** AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF PARCEL ID 29-05-26-014448-000-00, ALSO BEING THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF PARCEL ID 29-05-26-014448-000-02, AS RECORDED IN OFFICIAL RECORD BOOK 2858, PAGE 750 LOCATED ALONG THE WESTERLY EXISTING RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF COUNTY ROAD 209 SOUTH 89°36'12" WEST ALONG THE SAID NORTH LINE OF PARCEL ID 29-05-26-014448-000-00 A DISTANCE OF 318.20 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE SOUTH 34°18'33" EAST A DISTANCE OF 304.83 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 25°12'45" WEST A DISTANCE OF 65.56 FEET; THENCE NORTH 89°59'42" WEST A DISTANCE OF 520.58 FEET; THENCE NORTH 26°15'43" WEST A DISTANCE OF 275.41 FEET; THENCE NORTH 01°13'34" WEST A DISTANCE OF 60.62 FEET TO THE SAID NORTH LINE OF PARCEL ID 29-05-26-014448-000-00; THENCE ALONG THE SAID NORTH LINE OF PARCEL ID 29-05-26-

014448-000-00 NORTH 89°36'12" EAST A DISTANCE OF 499.86 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. PARCEL CONTAINING 3.91 ACRES, MORE OR LESS.

**TOGETHER WITH PARCEL 201B**  
 A PORTION OF PARCEL ID: 29-05-26-014448-000-00, CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:  
**COMMENCE** AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF PARCEL ID 29-05-26-014448-000-00, ALSO BEING THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF PARCEL ID 29-05-26-014446-001-02, AS RECORDED IN OFFICIAL RECORD BOOK 2858, PAGE 750 LOCATED ALONG THE SAID WESTERLY EXISTING RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF COUNTY ROAD 209 ALSO KNOWN AS RUSSELL ROAD (A VARIABLE WIDTH RIGHT OF WAY AS PER FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION RIGHT OF WAY MAP, SECTION NO. 7153-150); THENCE ALONG THE SAID WESTERLY EXISTING RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF COUNTY ROAD 209 SOUTH 42°25'47" EAST A DISTANCE OF 86.38 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE CONTINUE ON THE SAID WESTERLY EXISTING RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF COUNTY ROAD 209 SOUTH 42°25'47" EAST A DISTANCE OF 361.20 FEET TO THE INTERSECTION OF THE SAID WESTERLY EXISTING RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF COUNTY ROAD 209 AND THE NORTH EXISTING RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF COUNTY ROAD 315B (A 80.00 FOOT WIDTH RIGHT OF WAY AS PER FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION RIGHT OF WAY MAP, SECTION NO. 71507-2601) AND TO A NON-TANGENT CURVE CONCAVE TO THE SOUTH, HAVING A RADIUS OF 321.62 FEET; THENCE ALONG THE AID NORTHERLY EXISTING RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF COUNTY ROAD 315B AND THE ARC OF SAID CURVE, THROUGH AN ANGLE OF 06°16'35", AN ARC DISTANCE OF 35.23 FEET; THENCE ALONG THE SAID NORTHERLY EXISTING RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF CR 315B NORTH 05°32'08" WEST A DISTANCE OF 41.91 FEET; THENCE PARALLEL TO SAID WESTERLY EXISTING RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF COUNTY ROAD 209 NORTH 42°25'47" WEST A DISTANCE OF 338.70 FEET; THENCE NORTH 90°00'00" EAST A DISTANCE OF 13.55 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.  
 PARCEL CONTAINING 0.09 ACRES, MORE OR LESS.

**TOGETHER WITH A PERPETUAL EASEMENT – PARCEL 800A**  
 A PORTION OF PARCEL ID: 29-05-26-014448-000-00, CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:  
**BEGINNING** AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF PARCEL ID 29-05-26-014448-000-00, ALSO BEING THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF PARCEL ID 29-05-26-014446-001-02, AS RECORDED IN OFFICIAL RECORD BOOK 2858, PARCEL 750 LOCATED ALONG THE SAID WESTERLY EXISTING RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF COUNTY ROAD 209 ALSO KNOWN AS RUSSELL ROAD (A VARIABLE WIDTH RIGHT OF WAY AS PER FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION RIGHT OF WAY MAP, SECTION 7153-150); THENCE ALONG THE SAID WESTERLY EXISTING RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF COUNTY ROAD 209 SOUTH 42°25'47" EAST A DISTANCE OF 86.38 FEET; THENCE DEPARTING THE SAID WESTERLY EXISTING RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF COUNTY ROAD 209 NORTH 90°00'00" WEST A DISTANCE OF 334.47 FEET; THENCE NORTH 34°18'33" WEST A DISTANCE OF 74.52 FEET TO THE SAID NORTH LINE OF PARCEL ID 29-05-26-014448-000-00; THENCE ALONG THE SAID NORTH LINE OF PARCEL ID 29-05-26-014448-000-00 NORTH 89°36'12" EAST A DISTANCE OF 318.20 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. PARCEL CONTAINING 0.47 ACRES, MORE OR LESS.

**TOGETHER WITH A PERPETUAL EASEMENT – PARCEL 800B**  
 A PORTION OF PARCEL ID 29-05-26-014448-000-00 CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:  
**COMMENCE** AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF PARCEL ID 29-05-26-014448-000-00, ALSO BEING THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF PARCEL ID 29-05-26-014446-001-02, AS RECORDED IN OFFICIAL RECORD BOOK 2858, PAGE 750 LOCATED ALONG THE SAID WESTERLY EXISTING RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF COUNTY ROAD 209 ALSO KNOWN AS RUSSELL ROAD (A VARIABLE WIDTH RIGHT OF WAY AS PER FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION RIGHT OF WAY MAP, SECTION NO. 7153-150); THENCE DEPARTING THE SAID WESTERLY EXISTING RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF COUNTY ROAD 209 SOUTH 89°36'12" WEST ALONG THE SAID NORTH LINE OF PARCEL ID 29-05-26-014448-000-00 A DISTANCE OF 818.06 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE DEPARTING THE SAID NORTH LINE OF PARCEL ID 29-05-26-014448-000-00 SOUTH 01°13'34" EAST A DISTANCE OF 60.62 FEET; THENCE NORTH 89°29'53" WEST A DISTANCE OF 287.11 FEET; THENCE NORTH 00°03'01" WEST A DISTANCE OF 56.12 FEET TO THE SAID NORTH LINE OF PARCEL ID 29-05-26-014448-000-00; THENCE ALONG THE SAID NORTH LINE OF PARCEL ID 29-05-26-014448-000-00 NORTH 89°36'12" EAST A DISTANCE OF 285.86 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. PARCEL CONTAINING 0.38 ACRES, MORE OR LESS.  
 A Petition in Eminent Domain has been filed to acquire certain Property interests in Clay County, Florida.

Each Respondent is required to serve written defenses to the Petition on Petitioner's attorneys, whose names and address are shown below, on or before September 22, 2023, and to file the original of the defenses with the Clerk of this Court either before service on Petitioner's attorneys or immediately thereafter, showing what right, title, interest or lien Respondent has in or to the property described in the Petition and to show cause why that Property should not be taken for the uses and purposes set forth in the Petition. If any Respondent fails to do so, a default will be entered against that Respondent for the relief demanded in the Petition. **PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that a declaration of taking has been filed in this cause and that Petitioner will apply for an order of taking and any other order the Court deems proper before the **Honorable Steven B. Whittington**, one of the Judges of this Court, on **Tuesday, October 10, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. (thirty (30) minutes reserved) in Hearing Room 4-097 at the Judge William A. Wilkes Judicial Complex, 825 North Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043**. All Respondents to this suit may request a hearing at the time and place designated and be heard. Any Respondent failing to file a request for hearing shall waive any right to object to the Order of Taking. **WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL** of this Court on the 31st day of August, 2023.  
 TERESA S. GREEN  
 CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT  
 CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA  
 By: Leigh Lucroy  
 Deputy Clerk  
**Legal 82836 Published 9/7/2023 and 9/14/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

## NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN:** MIKON FINANCIAL SERVICES INC & OCEAN BANK, 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.:** 202/2021  
**Legal Description:** LOT 16 KINGSLEY COVE AS REC O R 4369 PG 587  
**Parcel ID No.:** 150623-021646-002-16  
**Opening Bid Amount:** \$8,033.66  
**Physical Address:** 6349 CABANA TRC , STARKE  
**Classification:** VACANT RESIDENTIAL  
**Name in which assessed:** KC FARMS 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 **15th day of November, 2023 at 9:30 A.M. at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com**.  
**Dated this 31st day of August, 2023**  
 TARA S . GREEN  
 Clay County Clerk & Comptroller  
 Clay County, Florida  
 By: Christina Spadea  
 Deputy Clerk  
**Legal 82835 Published 9/7/2023, 9/14/2023, 9/21/2023 and 9/28/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

## NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN:** SAVVY FL LLC FTB COLLATERAL ASSIGNEE, 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.:** 2056/2021  
**Legal Description:** LOT 27 BLK 1 FLA FRONTIER REPLAT UNIT 1 AS REC O R 2557 PG 2136  
**Parcel ID No.:** 190824-007292-000-00  
**Opening Bid Amount:** \$1,785.73  
**Physical Address:** 5196 COUNTY ROAD 214 , KEYSTONE HEIGHTS  
**Classification:** VACANT RESIDENTIAL  
**Name in which assessed:** DALIP SINGH  
 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 **15th day of November, 2023 at 9:30 A.M. at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com**.  
**Dated this 31st day of August, 2023**  
 TARA S . GREEN  
 Clay County Clerk & Comptroller  
 Clay County, Florida  
 By: Christina Spadea  
 Deputy Clerk  
**Legal 82834 Published 9/7/2023, 9/14/2023, 9/21/2023 and 9/28/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

## NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN:** SAVVY FL LLC FTB COLLATERAL ASSIGNEE, 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.:** 629/2021  
**Legal Description:** LOTS 20 & 21 BLK

**32 HIGHRIDGE ESTATES AS REC O R 484 PGS 122 & 124**  
**Parcel ID No.:** 200823-002920-000-00  
**Opening Bid Amount:** \$1,170.04  
**Physical Address:** 6430 BUCKNELL AVE , KEYSTONE HEIGHTS  
**Classification:** VACANT RESIDENTIAL  
**Name in which assessed:** STANLEY J CHUCK, C/O DOROTHY J CEBRA  
 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 **15th day of November, 2023 at 9:30 A.M. at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com**.  
**Dated this 31st day of August, 2023**  
 TARA S . GREEN  
 Clay County Clerk & Comptroller  
 Clay County, Florida  
 By: Christina Spadea  
 Deputy Clerk  
**Legal 82832 Published 9/7/2023, 9/14/2023, 9/21/2023 and 9/28/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

## NOTICE OF ACTION - CONSTRUCTIVE SERVICE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA  
 GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION  
 CASE NO. 2023CA000179  
 U.S. BANK NA, SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE TO BANK OF AMERICA, NA, SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST TO LASALLE BANK NA, AS TRUSTEE, ON BEHALF OF THE HOLDERS OF BEAR STEARNS ASSET BACKED SECURITIES TRUST 2004-1, ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2004-1, Plaintiff,  
 vs.  
 JOSEPH RUSSELL ECHOLS, JR., et. al. Defendant(s).

**TO: THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF JANICE K. GILL, DECEASED**, whose residence is unknown if he/she/they be living; and if he/she/they be dead, the unknown defendants who may be spouses, heirs, devisees, grantees, assignees, lienors, creditors, trustees, and all parties claiming an interest by, through, under or against the Defendants, who are not known to be dead or alive, and all parties having or claiming to have any right, title or interest in the property described in the mortgage being foreclosed herein. **YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED** that an action to foreclose a mortgage on the following property:

**PART OF LOTS 4 AND 5, DEER PARK, AN UNRECORDED SUBDIVISION IN SECTION 18, TOWNSHIP 5 SOUTH, RANGE 24 EAST, CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS: COMMENCE AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 18; THENCE SOUTH 00°25'39" EAST AND ON THE WEST LINE OF SAID SECTION 18, A DISTANCE OF 108.87 FEET TO THE SOUTHERLY RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF CARTER SPENCER ROAD (AS NOW ESTABLISHED); THENCE NORTH 88°46'24" EAST ON SAID SOUTHERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE, A DISTANCE OF 1361.51 FEET TO AN ANGLE POINT IN SAID SOUTHERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE; THENCE NORTH 58°12'39" EAST ON THE SOUTHEASTERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE SAID CARTER SPENCER ROAD (AS NOW ESTABLISHED) A DISTANCE OF 1288.22 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 0°25'39" EAST ON THE CENTERLINE OF THAT PARTICULAR 50 FOOT WIDE NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT FOR DRAINAGE AND UTILITIES, AS RECORDED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS VOLUME 700 PAGE 151 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA A DISTANCE OF 879.83 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE CONTINUE SOUTH 00°25' 39" EAST, ON LAST SAID CENTERLINE, A DISTANCE OF 202.66 FEET; THENCE NORTH 89°39'42" EAST 369.75 FEET TO THE CENTERLINE OF SILVERMOSS CIRCLE, A 60 FOOT WIDE EASEMENT FOR INGRESS, EGRESS, DRAINAGE AND UTILITIES AND FOR CLAY ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC. POWER LINES AS RECORDED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS VOLUME 831, PAGE 388 (EXHIBIT B) OF SAID PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA; THENCE NORTH 00°25' 39" WEST ON LAST SAID CENTERLINE A DISTANCE OF 202.66 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 89°39'42" WEST 369.75 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.**

**TOGETHER WITH THAT CERTAIN MOBILE HOME BEARING AN IDENTIFICATION NUMBER TO BE DETERMINED** has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on counsel for Plaintiff, whose address is 6409 Congress Ave., Suite 100, Boca Raton, Florida 33487 on or before (30 days from Date of 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 or petition filed herein. **WITNESS my hand and the seal of this Court at County, Florida, this 28th day of August, 2023**

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT  
 By: Rebecca Crews  
 DEPUTY CLERK  
**Legal 82830 Published 9/7/2023 and 9/14/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE CLAY COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS WILL HOLD AN ON-LINE AUCTION FOR COUNTY OWNED REAL PROPERTY ON THE FOLLOWING DATES AND TIMES, ON THE FOLLOWING WEBSITE  
 BEGIN DATE: **8:00 AM, September 15, 2023**  
 END DATE: **4:00 PM, October 13, 2023**  
 LOCATION: www.govdeals.com  
 THE FOLLOWING REAL PROPERTY LOCATED IN CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA, WILL BE SOLD AS IS WITH NO WARRANTIES TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER:  
 1. RE# 16-08-23-001567-003-00, 6392 ROLLING HILLS AVENUE, KEYSTONE HEIGHTS, PT OF SE1/4 S16T8R23 AS REC O R 4150 PG 703  
 2. RE# 28-08-23-021927-002-00, 7749 CYPRESS STREET, KEYSTONE HEIGHTS, LOTS 7-10 BLK 34 LAKE GENEVA O R 1528 PG 380 & 2582 PG 840, 4599 PG 425  
 3. RE# 20-08-23-021899-004-00, TEMPLE STREET, KEYSTONE HEIGHTS, PARCEL 4 BLK 20 LAKE GENEVA AS REC O R 3071 PG 2177; 3072 PG 494; 3076 PG 501 & 3780 PG 1240  
**Legal 82517 Published 9/7/2023 and 9/14/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

## Derelict Vessel Publication Notice

NOTICE TO POTENTIAL HEIRS AND PERSONS WITH A LEGAL INTEREST IN THE BELOW DESCRIBED VESSEL  
 The following Vessel, to wit: 1979 37' foot Endeavor, has been determined to be derelict/abandoned and is unlawfully upon these waters of this state, to wit Muddy Cove/St. Johns River and must be removed within 21 days; otherwise, it will be removed and disposed of pursuant to chapter 705, Florida Statutes. Owners, heirs and other legally interested parties may have the right to a hearing to challenge the determination that this vessel is derelict or otherwise in violation of the law or to raise their interests before a tribunal. Please contact the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Legal Office at (850) 487-1764 or eflic@myfwc.com in order to assert a legal interest in this vessel. The owner or the party determined to be legally responsible for the vessel being upon the waters of this state in a derelict condition will be liable for the costs of removal, destruction, and disposal if this vessel is not removed by the owner.

All heirs and other persons with a legal interest in this vessel must raise such interest within 21 days of the date of first publication of this Notice. All interests not raised by that time will be waived and forever barred. The date of first publication of this Notice is September 7, 2023.  
**Legal 82513 Published 9/7/2023 and 9/14/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

## SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF ACTION BY PUBLICATION

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY FLORIDA  
 CASE NUMBER: 2023-DP-18  
 DIVISION: JV-E  
 IN THE INTEREST OF:

L.C. MINOR CHILD  
 THE STATE OF FLORIDA TO:  
 Alesia Caruso, Mother  
 2285 Marsh Hawk Lane, Apt. 11304  
 Fleming Island, Florida 32003  
 Last Known Address

**YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED** that a Petition has been filed in the above-styled Court by the GUARDIAN AD LITEM OFFICE for termination of parental rights and permanent commitment for subsequent adoption of the above named child, L.C., who was born on February 7, 2023. You are hereby commanded to appear before the **Honorable Angela M. Cox**, at the Clay County Courthouse Juvenile Dependency Courtroom, 825 North Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, Florida at the hour of **2:00 p.m. o'clock on October 3, 2023 A.D.** for a trial on this termination of parental rights petition. You must appear at the hearing on the date and time specified.

**FAILURE TO PERSONALLY APPEAR AT THIS TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS TRIAL CONSTITUTES CONSENT TO THE TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS OF THIS CHILD. IF YOU FAIL TO APPEAR ON THE DATE AND TIME SPECIFIED YOU MAY LOSE ALL LEGAL RIGHTS TO THE CHILD NAMED IN THE TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS PETITION FILED IN YOUR DEPENDENCY CASE.**

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 Court ADA Coordinator at (904) 255-1695 or ctri@coj.net at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled court appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711. **WITNESS my hand as clerk of said Court and the Seal thereof, this 23rd day of August, 2023.**

Tara S. Green  
 as Clerk of Said Court  
 By: Denise Haselwood

As Deputy Clerk  
**Legal 82510 Published 9/7/2023, 9/14/2023, 9/21/2023 and 9/28/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE:

FIRST COAST TOWING gives notice that on 09/28/2023 at 10:00 AM the following vehicle(s) may be sold by public sale at 2905 BLANDING BLVD. MIDDLEBURG, 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. JMK3E2BEXD0107925 2013 MAZD  
**Legal 82359 Published 9/14/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

## Legal Public Notice RFQ-SJR-04-2023 REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS (RFQ) FOR ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES

St. Johns River State College (SJR State) is soliciting architectural services for the remodel and addition to the FloArts facility (Bldg. F) located on the Palatka Campus, 5001 St. Johns Avenue, Palatka, FL 32177. To be considered, qualifications must be submitted as prescribed in the RFQ-SJR-04-2023 Specifications Document. The specifications document may be obtained by sending a written request via e-mail to Terry.Thomas@sjrstate.edu or by clicking on this link to the college's webpage dedicated to this RFQ https://www.sjrstate.edu/042023.

RFQ responses, clearly marked on the outside with the firm name and RFQ-SJR-04-2023, must be received by **Mrs. Terry Thomas, Director of Capital Assets and Risk Management, St. Johns River State College, Business Office, 5001 St. Johns Ave., Palatka, FL 32177 by 2:00 p.m. on September 21, 2023**. Responses received by the deadline will be officially opened and firm names read aloud at 2:30 p.m. on September 21, 2023, in Room A152, Valhalla Hall in the Admin. Bldg. on the campus in Palatka. Faxed, e-mailed, conditional, late responses, and deliveries to an incorrect location will not be considered.

Information and notices will be posted on the college's web page dedicated to this RFQ at https://www.sjrstate.edu/042023 as the process progresses.

Responses will be evaluated by committee per criteria contained in the specifications document and will include interviews of top ranked candidates. A public meeting will be held on October 2, 2023, at 9:30 a.m. in Room A-152 Valhalla Hall, Administration Building, on the SJR State Campus in Palatka to evaluate written responses and select candidates for interviews. Interviews, open to the public, will be held beginning at 9:30 a.m. October 9, 2023, in Room A-152 on the Palatka Campus culminating in a public meeting at 1:30 p.m. for preparation of a ranked short-list of architects for action by the DBOT at their meeting at the SJR State Campus in Palatka on October 18, 2023, at 2:00 p.m. Contract negotiations will begin with the top ranked firm following action by the DBOT.

SJR State reserves the right to reject any or all responses to the RFQ, to waive any or all informalities in regards thereto, and to award a contract which will be in the best interest of the College.  
**Legal 82358 Published 8/31/2023, 9/7/2023 and 9/14/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

## NOTICE OF ACTION FOR PATERNAL AUNT'S JOINT PETITION FOR ADOPTION AND PETITION FOR TERMINATION OF MOTHER'S PATERNAL RIGHTS:

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA  
 Case No.: 2023-DR-000358  
 Division:

In re: The Adoption of KATHERINE LEAH VAN KEUREN and CAROLINE SABRINA VAN KEUREN, Minor Children.  
 Jimmie Nitka

7144 Paul Howard Dr  
 Jacksonville FL 32222  
 YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for **Paternal Aunt's Joint Petition for Adoption and Termination of Mother's Paternal Rights** has been filed against you and that you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to, **Stephen Doty, Esq., 7545 Centurion Pkwy Suite 105, Jacksonville FL 32256, on before 20 days of publication of service**, 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

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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. Instructions for Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.913(a)(2), Notice of Action For Family Cases With Minor or Dependent Child(ren) (06/18) 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: August 25, 2023. CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT By: Rebecca Crews Deputy Clerk Legal 81971 Published 8/31/2023, 9/7/2023, 9/14/2023 and 9/21/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

**PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE**

The City of Green Cove Springs proposes to adopt the following Ordinance: **ORDINANCE NO. O-27-2023 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREEN COVE SPRINGS, FLORIDA, AMENDING CITY CODE CHAPTER 90, UTILITIES, ARTICLE III, ELECTRIC UTILITY, DIVISION 3, ENTITLED "RATES AND CHARGES FOR ELECTRIC"; SECTION 90-121 ENTITLED "RATE SCHEDULE FOR ELECTRICITY FURNISHED"; PROVIDING FOR 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: First Reading on Tuesday, September 5, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. or shortly thereafter City Council: Second & Final Reading on Tuesday, September 19, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. or shortly thereafter Please be advised that if a person decides to appeal any decision made by the City Council with respect to any matter considered at this scheduled public hearing, he 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 (904) 284-4849 (TDD). 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 Erin West, City Clerk 321 Walnut Street Green Cove Springs, FL 32043 L. Steve Kennedy, City Manager Legal 81962 Published 8/31/2023 and 9/14/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN:** ATCF II FLORIDA A LLC, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows: **Certificate No.:** 205/2021 **Legal Description:** LOT 61 KINGSLEY COVE **Parcel ID No.:** 150623-021646-002-61 **Opening Bid Amount:** \$2,199.36 **Physical Address:** 4072 BUENA VISTA AVE, STARKE **Classification:** VACANT RESIDENTIAL **Name in which assessed:** NUTTY BUD-DY 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 15th day of November, 2023 at 9:30 A.M. at [www.clay.realtaxdeed.com](http://www.clay.realtaxdeed.com). Dated this 21st day of August, 2023 TARA S. GREEN

Clay County Clerk & Comptroller Clay County, Florida By: Christina Spadea Deputy Clerk **Legal 81280 Published 8/24/2023, 8/31/2023, 9/7/2023 and 9/14/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN:** GLORIA J WARNICK, 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.:** 1657/2017 **Legal Description:** PT LOT 9 SW OF RD BLACK CREEK ESTATES AS REC O R 919 PG 568 **Parcel ID No.:** 110524-006143-000-00 **Opening Bid Amount:** \$1,521.25 **Physical Address:** SCENIC DR, MIDDLEBURG **Classification:** VACANT RESIDENTIAL **Name in which assessed:** CECILE K ABRAM 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 15th day of November, 2023 at 9:30 A.M. at [www.clay.realtaxdeed.com](http://www.clay.realtaxdeed.com). Dated this 21st day of August, 2023 TARA S. GREEN Clay County Clerk & Comptroller Clay County, Florida By: Christina Spadea Deputy Clerk **Legal 81279 Published 8/24/2023, 8/31/2023, 9/7/2023 and 9/14/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN:** GRACE SALAS, 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.:** 910/2017 **Legal Description:** LOT 19 BLK 96 HIGHRIDGE ESTATE AS REC O R 3150 PG 963 **Parcel ID No.:** 210823-004239-000-00 **Opening Bid Amount:** \$2,005.18 **Physical Address:** 7184 RUTGERS 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 15th day of November, 2023 at 9:30 A.M. at [www.clay.realtaxdeed.com](http://www.clay.realtaxdeed.com). Dated this 21st day of August, 2023 TARA S. GREEN Clay County Clerk & Comptroller Clay County, Florida By: Christina Spadea Deputy Clerk **Legal 81278 Published 8/24/2023, 8/31/2023, 9/7/2023 and 9/14/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN:** BUFFALO BILL LLC, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows: **Certificate No.:** 3639/2016 **Legal Description:** W1/2 LOT D WILES S/D OF LT 7 BLK 30 N S GCS DB 30 PG 356 & O R 1 PG 29 EX O R 126 PG 328 & 242 PG 134 **Parcel ID No.:** 380626-017901-000-00 **Opening Bid Amount:** \$4,112.99 **Physical Address:** WALBURG ST, GREEN COVE SPRINGS **Classification:** VACANT RESIDENTIAL **Name in which assessed:** ESTATE OF LEWIS REDMOND C/O LEE P WASHINGTON JR

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 15th day of November, 2023 at 9:30 A.M. at [www.clay.realtaxdeed.com](http://www.clay.realtaxdeed.com). Dated this 21st day of August, 2023 TARA S. GREEN Clay County Clerk & Comptroller Clay County, Florida By: Christina Spadea Deputy Clerk **Legal 81277 Published 8/24/2023, 8/31/2023, 9/7/2023 and 9/14/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN:** BEAMIF A LLC, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows: **Certificate No.:** 631/2020 **Legal Description:** LOTS 1,5 & 6 BLK 17 HIGHRIDGE ESTATES AS REC O R 2535 PG 961 **Parcel ID No.:** 210823-002658-000-00 **Opening Bid Amount:** \$2,816.73 **Physical Address:** 7191 SKIDMORE ST, KEYSTONE HEIGHTS **Classification:** VACANT RESIDENTIAL **Name in which assessed:** SONUEL LOUIS SAINT & GLADYS MESIDOR 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 15th day of November, 2023 at 9:30 A.M. at [www.clay.realtaxdeed.com](http://www.clay.realtaxdeed.com). Dated this 21st day of August, 2023 TARA S. GREEN Clay County Clerk & Comptroller Clay County, Florida By: Christina Spadea Deputy Clerk **Legal 81276 Published 8/24/2023, 8/31/2023 and 9/7/2023 and 9/14/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN:** VINMAS HOLDINGS LLC, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows: **Certificate No.:** 794/2021 **Legal Description:** LOT 17 BLK 79 HIGHRIDGE ESTATE AS REC O R 1029 PG 740 **Parcel ID No.:** 210823-003843-000-00 **Opening Bid Amount:** \$2,051.15 **Physical Address:** 6208 HUNTER AVE, KEYSTONE HEIGHTS **Classification:** VACANT RESIDENTIAL **Name in which assessed:** CLARENCE L WILSON JR 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 15th day of November, 2023 at 9:30 A.M. at [www.clay.realtaxdeed.com](http://www.clay.realtaxdeed.com). Dated this 21st day of August, 2023 TARA S. GREEN Clay County Clerk & Comptroller Clay County, Florida By: Christina Spadea Deputy Clerk **Legal 81275 Published 8/24/2023, 8/31/2023, 9/7/2023 and 9/14/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN:** VINMAS HOLDINGS LLC, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows: **Certificate No.:** 1996/2021 **Legal Description:** LOT 15 BLK 1 LAKESIDE TERRACE AS REC O R 3595

**PG 1334** **Parcel ID No.:** 140824-007055-000-00 **Opening Bid Amount:** \$2,190.55 **Physical Address:** 7212 CARDINAL ST, FLOLAHOME **Classification:** VACANT RESIDENTIAL **Name in which assessed:** TERRELL GLEN SWEAT 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 15th day of November, 2023 at 9:30 A.M. at [www.clay.realtaxdeed.com](http://www.clay.realtaxdeed.com). Dated this 21st day of August, 2023 TARA S. GREEN Clay County Clerk & Comptroller Clay County, Florida By: Christina Spadea Deputy Clerk **Legal 81274 Published 8/24/2023, 8/31/2023, 9/7/2023 and 9/14/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN:** BRADFORD WILLIAMS, 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.:** 3382/2020 **Legal Description:** LOT 10 EX W 18' BLK V SHANDS PLAT AS REC O R 36 PG 343, 1737 PG 1183, 1744 PG 1669, 3012 PG 1371 & 3031 PG 478 **Parcel ID No.:** 380626-018251-000-00 **Opening Bid Amount:** \$2,965.17 **Physical Address:** 1209 FORBES ST, GREEN COVE SPRINGS **Classification:** VACANT RESIDENTIAL **Name in which assessed:** JEWEL BASKIN P/R 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 11th day of October, 2023 at 9:30 A.M. at [www.clay.realtaxdeed.com](http://www.clay.realtaxdeed.com). Dated this 21st day of August, 2023 TARA S. GREEN Clay County Clerk & Comptroller Clay County, Florida By: Christina Spadea Deputy Clerk **Legal 81273 Published 8/24/2023, 8/31/2023, 9/7/2023 and 9/14/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN:** BEAMIF A LLC, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows: **Certificate No.:** 2085/2021 **Legal Description:** LOTS 3-9 BUNDY PARK SEC 1 BLK 1 AS REC O R 1770 PG 894, 1777 PG 1910, 1784 PG 1022 & 2865 PG 400 **Parcel ID No.:** 310824-007851-003-00 **Opening Bid Amount:** \$3,290.10 **Physical Address:** 0 HONEYDEW CIR, MELROSE **Classification:** VACANT RESIDENTIAL **Name in which assessed:** RONALD C TUCKER (HEIRS) 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 11th day of October, 2023 at 9:30 A.M. at [www.clay.realtaxdeed.com](http://www.clay.realtaxdeed.com). Dated this 21st day of August, 2023 TARA S. GREEN Clay County Clerk & Comptroller Clay County, Florida By: Christina Spadea Deputy Clerk **Legal 81272 Published 8/24/2023, 8/31/2023, 9/7/2023 and 9/14/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN:** BUFFALO BILL LLC, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows: **Certificate No.:** 1939/2016 **Legal Description:** LOT 49B SUNNYSIDE FARMS AS REC O R 1454 PG 212 & 2234 PG 316 (MINERALS) **Parcel ID No.:** 360524-006761-108-01 **Opening Bid Amount:** \$3,697.67 **Physical Address:** 4060 SUNNYSIDE DR, MIDDLEBURG **Classification:** VACANT RESIDENTIAL **Name in which assessed:** MICHAEL P SINCLAIR 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 11th day of October, 2023 at 9:30 A.M. at [www.clay.realtaxdeed.com](http://www.clay.realtaxdeed.com). Dated this 21st day of August, 2023 TARA S. GREEN Clay County Clerk & Comptroller Clay County, Florida By: Christina Spadea Deputy Clerk **Legal 81271 Published 8/24/2023, 8/31/2023, 9/7/2023 and 9/14/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

**NOTICE OF ACTION FOR PARENTING/TIME SHARING**

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 4TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE# 2014-DR-2102 **TO:** Jessica Picklo 1904 Plainfield Ave, Orange Park, FL 32073 **YOU ARE NOTIFIED** that an action for Family Court has been filed against you and that you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Miles Tyler whose address is 4468 Gray Hawk St. Orange Park, FL 32065, on or before October 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: August 18, 2023. CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT By: Gracie Moore Deputy Clerk **Legal 80881 Published 8/24/2023, 8/31/2023, 9/7/2023 and 9/14/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN:** SAVVY FL LLC FTB COLLATERAL ASSIGNEE, 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.:** 2101/2021

**Legal Description:** LOT 4N LIVE OAK FOREST AS REC O R 1465 PG 964 & 1540 PG 624 **Parcel ID No.:** 310824-007852-074-00 **Opening Bid Amount:** \$4,621.07 **Physical Address:** 5521 DARWOOD ST, MELROSE **Classification:** MOBILE HOME JOINED SFR UNIT **Name in which assessed:** DIANE E TOMLINSON 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 4th day of October, 2023 at 9:30 A.M. at [www.clay.realtaxdeed.com](http://www.clay.realtaxdeed.com). Dated this 17th day of August, 2023 TARA S. GREEN Clay County Clerk & Comptroller Clay County, Florida By: Christina Spadea Deputy Clerk **Legal 80729 Published 8/24/2023, 8/31/2023, 9/7/2023 and 9/14/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

**NOTICE OF DEFAULT AND FORECLOSURE SALE**

WHEREAS, on December 29, 2007, a certain Mortgage was executed by JOHN-NY CROSBY a/k/a JOHNNIE CROSBY and CLAUDETTE CROSBY a/k/a CLAUDETTE JACKSON as mortgagor(s) in favor of AMERICAN REVERSE MORTGAGE CORPORATION, as mortgagee and was recorded on January 7, 2008, in Book 2980 and Page 470 in the Official Records of Clay County, Florida; and WHEREAS, the Mortgage was insured by the United States Secretary of Housing and Urban Development (the Secretary) pursuant to the National Housing Act for the purpose of providing single family housing; and WHEREAS, the Mortgage is now owned by the Secretary, pursuant to an assignment dated January 19, 2018, and recorded on January 25, 2018, in Book 4050 and Page 1399 in the Official Records of Clay County, Florida; and WHEREAS, a default has been made in the covenants and conditions of the Mortgage in that a Borrower has died as the Property is not the principal residence of at least one surviving borrower, and the outstanding balance remains wholly unpaid as of the date of this notice, and no payment has been made sufficient to restore the loan to current; and WHEREAS, the entire amount delinquent as of September 17, 2021, is \$115,463.32; and WHEREAS, by virtue of this default, the Secretary has declared the entire amount of the indebtedness secured by the Mortgage to be immediately due and payable; NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to powers vested in me by the Single Family Mortgage Foreclosure Act of 1994, 12 U.S.C. 3751 et seq., by 24 CFR part 27, subpart B, and by the Secretary's designation of me as Foreclosure Commissioner, recorded on December 21, 2021 in Book 4549 and Page 1913, notice is hereby given that on September 25, 2023 at 10:00 AM, EDT local time, all real and personal property at or used in connection with the following described premises ("Property") will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder: (LOT 33, PLUM AND WITTENBERG, AN UNRECORDED SUBDIVISION) A PORTION OF TRACTS 3 AND 4, BLOCK 3, ACCORDING TO MAP OF FLORIDA FARMERS LAND COMPANY'S SUBDIVISION AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK PAGE 49 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCE AT THE MOST NORTHERLY CORNER OF TRACT 3, BLOCK 2, AS SHOWN ON SAID MAP OF FLORIDA FARMERS LAND COMPANY'S SUBDIVISION, ALSO BEING THE MOST EASTERLY CORNER OF THOSE LANDS DESCRIBED AND RECORDED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 142, PAGE 344 OF SAID PUBLIC RECORDS; THENCE ON THE NORTHEASTERLY LINE OF SAID TRACT 3, BLOCK 2, SOUTH 42° 32' 39" EAST, 330.0 FEET; THENCE NORTH 47° 27' 21" EAST, 359.68 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 53° 23' 42" EAST, 300.0 FEET; THENCE NORTH 47° 27' 21" EAST, ON THE SOUTHWESTERLY PROJECTION OF THE CENTERLINE OF A 60 FOOT WIDE NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT FOR INGRESS, EGRESS, DRAINAGE AND UTILITIES, AS RECORDED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS

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VOLUME 700, PAGE 524, EXHIBIT "B" OF SAID PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA, A DISTANCE OF 310.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, SAID POINT OF BEGINNING BEING THE TERMINATION POINT OF SAID CENTERLINE OF A 60 FOOT WIDE NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT, SAID TERMINATION POINT BEING THE RADIUS POINT OF A CUL-DE-SAC SAID CUL-DE-SAC HAVING A RADIUS OF 50.0 FEET TO BE INCLUDED IN SAID EASEMENT; THENCE NORTH 47° 27' 21" EAST, ON SAID CENTERLINE OF A 60 FOOT WIDE NONEXCLUSIVE EASEMENT, A DISTANCE OF 215.0 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 46° 02' 39" EAST, 343.09 FEET TO A POINT ON THE CENTERLINE OF A 60 FOOT WIDE NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT FOR INGRESS, EGRESS, DRAINAGE AND UTILITIES, AS RECORDED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS VOLUME 556, PAGE 34 (SCHEDULE "A", PARCEL II) OF SAID PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA, LAST SAID POINT BEING IN A CURVE, SAID CURVE BEING CONCAVE NORTHWESTERLY AND HAVING A RADIUS OF 478.06 FEET; THENCE SOUTHWESTERLY ALONG AND AROUND SAID CURVE AND ON LAST SAID CENTERLINE OF A 60 FOOT WIDE NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT, RUN AN ARC DISTANCE OF 170.69 FEET TO THE POINT OF A REVERSE CURVE, SAID ARC OF CURVE HAVING A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 20° 27' 10" AND BEING SUBTENDED BY A CHORD BEARING AND DISTANCE OF SOUTH 65° 09' 13" WEST, 169.75 FEET TO SAID POINT OF REVERSE CURVE, SAID REVERSE CURVE BEING CONCAVE SOUTHEASTERLY AND HAVING A RADIUS OF 176.17 FEET; THENCE SOUTHWESTERLY ALONG AND AROUND SAID REVERSE CURVE AND ON LAST SAID CENTERLINE OF A 60 FOOT WIDE NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT, RUN AN ARC DISTANCE OF 70.61 FEET, LAST SAID ARC OF CURVE HAVING A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 22° 57' 50" AND BEING SUBTENDED BY A CHORD BEARING AND DISTANCE OF SOUTH 63° 53' 53" WEST, 70.14 FEET; THENCE NORTH 44° 00' 56" WEST, 271.09 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

TOGETHER WITH AND SUBJECT TO THAT PARTICULAR 60 FOOT WIDE NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT FOR INGRESS, EGRESS, DRAINAGE AND UTILITIES, AS DESCRIBED AND RECORDED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS VOLUME 556, PAGE 34 (SCHEDULE "A", PARCEL II) OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

ALSO TOGETHER WITH AND SUBJECT TO THAT PARTICULAR 60 FOOT WIDE NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT FOR INGRESS, EGRESS, DRAINAGE AND UTILITIES, AS DESCRIBED AND RECORDED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS VOLUME 700, PAGE 524, EXHIBIT "B" OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

A PORTION OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED PARCEL OF LAND (LOT 33) IS SUBJECT TO A NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT FOR DRAINAGE AND UTILITIES; THAT PORTION OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED LANDS BEING SUBJECT TO SAID NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT, BEING DESCRIBED AS: A PORTION OF TRACTS 3 AND 4, BLOCK 3, ACCORDING TO MAP OF FLORIDA FARMER'S LAND COMPANY'S SUBDIVISION AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 1, PAGE 49 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCE AT THE MOST NORTHERLY CORNER OF TRACT 3, BLOCK 2, AS SHOWN ON SAID MAP OF FLORIDA FARMER'S LAND COMPANY'S SUBDIVISION, ALSO BEING THE MOST EASTERLY CORNER OF THOSE LANDS DESCRIBED AND RECORDED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 142, PAGE 344 OF SAID PUBLIC RECORDS; THENCE ON THE NORTHEASTERLY LINE OF SAID TRACT 3, BLOCK 2, SOUTH 42° 32' 39" EAST, 330.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH 47° 27' 21" EAST, 359.68 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 63° 23' 42" EAST, 300.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH 47° 27' 21" EAST, ON THE SOUTHWESTERLY PROJECTION OF AND ON THE CENTERLINE OF A 60 FOOT WIDE, NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT FOR INGRESS, EGRESS, DRAINAGE AND UTILITIES, AS RECORDED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS VOLUME 700, PAGE 524, (EXHIBIT "B") OF SAID PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA, A DISTANCE OF 490.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING OF SAID NON-EXCLUSIVE FOR DRAINAGE AND UTILITIES; THENCE CONTINUE NORTH 47° 27' 21" EAST, ON SAID CENTERLINE OF A 60 FOOT WIDE NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT, A DISTANCE OF 35.0 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 46° 02' 39" EAST, 343.09 FEET TO A POINT ON THE CENTERLINE OF A 60 FOOT WIDE NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT FOR INGRESS, EGRESS, DRAINAGE AND UTILITIES, AS RECORDED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS VOLUME 556, PAGE 34 (SCHEDULE "A", PARCEL II) OF SAID PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA, LAST SAID POINT BEING ON A CURVE, SAID CURVE BEING CONCAVE NORTHWESTERLY AND HAVING A RADIUS OF 478.06 FEET; THENCE SOUTHWESTERLY ALONG AND AROUND SAID CURVE AND ON LAST SAID CENTERLINE OF A 60 FOOT WIDE, NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT, RUN AN ARC DISTANCE OF 55.87 FEET, SAID ARC OF CURVE HAVING A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 06° 31' 45" AND BEING SUBTENDED BY A CHORD BEARING AND DISTANCE OF SOUTH 58° 16' 30" WEST, 55.84 FEET; THENCE NORTH 42° 44' 04" WEST, 331.98 FEET

TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. THE ABOVE DESCRIBED NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT IS SUBJECT TO THAT PARTICULAR 60 FOOT WIDE NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT FOR INGRESS, EGRESS, DRAINAGE AND UTILITIES, AS DESCRIBED AND RECORDED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS VOLUME 556, PAGE 34 (SCHEDULE "A", PARCEL II) OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

SAID EASEMENT IS SUBJECT TO THAT PARTICULAR 60 FOOT WIDE NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT FOR INGRESS, EGRESS, DRAINAGE AND UTILITIES, AS DESCRIBED AND RECORDED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS VOLUME 700, PAGE 524, EXHIBIT "B" OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

TOGETHER WITH THAT CERTAIN MOBIL HOME VIN SHS1WGA06833109A AND SHS1WGA06833109, SITUATE THEREON.

Commonly known as: 2348 N. Fork Rd., Green Cove Springs, FL 32043

The sale will be held at the Front Entrance to the Clay County Courthouse, 825 North Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043.

The Secretary of Housing and Urban Development will bid \$119,354.48.

There will be no proration of taxes, rents or other income or liabilities, except that the purchaser will pay, at or before closing, his prorata share of any real estate taxes that have been paid by the Secretary to the date of the foreclosure sale.

When making their bids, all bidders except the Secretary must submit a deposit totaling \$11,935.45 in the form of a certified check or cashier's check made out to the Secretary of HUD. A deposit need not accompany each oral bid. If the successful bid is oral, a deposit of \$11,935.45 must be presented before the bidding is closed. The deposit is nonrefundable. The remainder of the purchase price must be delivered within 30 days of the sale or at such other time as the Secretary may determine for good cause shown, time being of the essence. This amount, like the bid deposits, must be delivered in the form of a certified or cashier's check. If the Secretary is the highest bidder, he need not pay the bid amount in cash. The successful bidder will pay all conveying fees, all real estate and other taxes that are due on or after the delivery date of the remainder of the payment and all other costs associated with the transfer of title. At the conclusion of the sale, the deposits of the unsuccessful bidders will be returned to them.

The Secretary may grant an extension of time within which to deliver the remainder of the payment. All extensions will be for 15-day increments for a fee of \$500.00, paid in advance. The extension fee shall be in the form of a certified or cashier's check, made payable to the Secretary of HUD. If the high bidder closes the sale prior to the expiration of any extension period, the unused portion of the extension fee shall be applied toward the amount due.

If the high bidder is unable to close the sale within the required period, or within any extensions of time granted by the Secretary, the high bidder may be required to forfeit the cash deposit or, at the election of the foreclosure commissioner after consultation with the HUD representative, will be liable to HUD for any costs incurred as a result of such failure. The Commissioner may, at the direction of the HUD representative, offer the property to the second highest bidder for an amount equal to the highest price offered by that bidder.

There is no right of redemption, or right of possession based upon a right of redemption, in the mortgage or others subsequent to a foreclosure completed pursuant to the Act. Therefore, the Foreclosure Commissioner will issue a Deed to the purchaser(s) upon receipt of the entire purchase price in accordance with the terms of the sale as provided herein. HUD does not guarantee that the property will be vacant.

The vacated foreclosure sale shall be cancelled or adjourned if it is established, by documented written application of the mortgagee to the Foreclosure Commissioner not less than 3 days before the date of sale, or otherwise, that the default or defaults upon which the foreclosure is based did not exist at the time of service of this notice of default and foreclosure sale, or all amounts due under the mortgage agreement are tendered to the Foreclosure Commissioner, in the form of a certified or cashier's check payable to the Secretary of HUD, before public auction of the property is completed.

The amount that must be paid if the mortgage is to be reinstated prior to the scheduled sale is \$119,354.48 as of September 25, 2023, plus all other amounts that would be due under the mortgage agreement if payments under the mortgage had not been accelerated, advertising costs and postage expenses incurred in giving notice, mileage for posting notices and for the Foreclosure Commissioner's attendance at the sale, reasonable and customary costs incurred for title and lien record searches, the necessary out-of-pocket costs incurred by the Foreclosure Commissioner for recording documents, a commissioner for the Foreclosure Commissioner, and all other costs incurred in connection with the foreclosure prior to reinstatement.

Tender of payment by certified or cashier's check or application for cancellation of the foreclosure sale shall be submitted to the address of the Foreclosure Commissioner provided below.

Date: August 3, 2023  
Annalise Hayes DeLuca, Esq., FBN:116897  
Audrey J. Dixon, Esq., FBN: 39288  
Ashley Elmore Drew, Esq., FBN: 87236  
MCMICHAEL TAYLOR GRAY, LLC  
Foreclosure Commissioner

3550 Engineering Drive, Suite 260  
Peachtree Corners, GA 30092  
Phone: 404.745.7149  
Fax: 404.745.8121  
Email: ServiceFL@mtglaw.com  
STATE OF FLORIDA  
COUNTY OF BROWARD

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 3rd day of August, 2023, by Audrey J. Dixon who is/are personally known to me.

Amy Peebles  
Notary Public  
Legal 79557 Published 8/31/2023, 9/7/2023 and 9/14/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: KEYS FUNDING LLC - 2021, 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.: 2496/2021  
Legal Description: LOT 6 BARRINGTON ESTATES U-3 AS REC O R 2703 PG 1446  
Parcel ID No.: 020525-008970-005-06  
Opening Bid Amount: \$13,555.29  
Physical Address: 1830 HOLLOW GLEN DR , MIDDLEBURG  
Classification: SINGLE FAMILY  
Name in which assessed: STEVEN M EVERETT & LORI L EVERETT  
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 4th day of October, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com.

Dated this 2nd day of August, 2023  
TARA S . GREEN  
Clay County Clerk & Comptroller  
Clay County, Florida  
By: Christina Spadea  
Deputy Clerk  
Legal 78558 Published 8/31/2023, 09/07/2023, 09/14/2023 and 09/21/23 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: IDE TECHNOLOGIES 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.: 1102/2021  
Legal Description: (SUBJ TO CONSV ESMT PER O R 3131 PG 863 & 2862 PG 1259)PT OF S6T4R24 & S1T4R24 AS REC O R 3247 PG 970  
Parcel ID No.: 010424-005524-018-16  
Opening Bid Amount: \$1,239.69  
Physical Address: OAKLEAF PLANTATION PKWY , ORANGE PARK  
Classification: CNVR/ESMT  
Name in which assessed: FHOP 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 4th day of October, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com.

Dated this 2nd day of August, 2023  
TARA S . GREEN  
Clay County Clerk & Comptroller  
Clay County, Florida  
By: Christina Spadea  
Deputy Clerk  
Legal 78557 Published 8/31/2023, 09/07/2023, 09/14/2023 and 09/21/23 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

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 & RECOVERY AUCTION: October 26, 2023 @ 10:00 AM  
2023 Yama. Vin# JYARN79E5PA000754  
Pursuant to subsection 713-78 of the FL Statute, Clay County Towing reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.  
Legal 84532 Published 9/14/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

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 **Hardscape Pros**, located at 20 Hialeah Dr, 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 11th day of September 2023.  
Joshua L Shaver  
Titan Property Development Inc.  
Legal 84531 Published 9/14/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

**PUBLIC AUCTION**

The following vehicles will be sold at public auction.

G & M Towing, Inc. reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids.

2014 JEEP VIN # 1C4FJMCB6E107560  
2013 HONDA VIN # 19XFB2F87DE040389  
1997 BUICK VIN # 1G4NJ52M-6VC403871  
Auction will be held at 9:00 AM 10/2/2023 at

G & M Towing, Inc., located at 4995 Highway 17 S, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043.  
Legal 84391 Published 9/14/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

NCRS gives notice of lien and intent to sell the following vehicles.  
at 7077 SR 21 Keystone Heights, FL 32656 904-801-6000  
at date and time listed below:  
NCRS AUCTION  
October 9, 2023 @ 11:00 AM  
1967 Hond. Vin. # CB4501020977  
2012. Niess. Vin# 1N4L2AP3CN440424  
Pursuant to subsection 713-78 of the FL Statute, Clay County Towing reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.  
Legal 83833 Published 9/14/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

**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 & RECOVERY AUCTION:  
October 9, 2023 @ 10:00 AM  
1997 SUZU. VIN# JST1GV75A0V2100048  
2017 Chev. Vin. 1GCUKREC8HF198533  
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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