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Contracts of county's principals not renewed by the school district

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As of May 27, most of Gadsden County public school's principals were not rehired for the 2021-2022 school term.

Additionally, many of the school's teachers - who do not have Professional Florida Educator's Certificate - will be offered positions as provisional instructors, and their salaries will be cut by \$7,000.

Last month, several Gadsden County School district employees received letters from the school board, notifying them that their contracts may not be renewed for the 2021-2022 school year.

Some employees, mainly uncertified teachers, received letters informing them that their salaries would decrease in the upcoming school year as a result of the changes; instead of being paid as a beginning teacher, "all instructional personnel who do not have certification will be compensated as full-time substitutes," the letter stated.

On Tuesday, May 25, the school board met for its regularly scheduled monthly meeting and had an

agenda that included a packet with a list of school employees who were rehired for next year.

None of the Gadsden County public schools' principal's names were on that list.

Superintendent Elijah Key said that the matter of the principals' contracts not being renewed is a 'personnel matter' and he has no plans to discuss the discontinuation of the principals' contracts during a public meeting.

Head Start director Lakeisha Perkins' name also was not on the list of recommendations for rehiring.

During the meeting, School Board Member Cathy Johnson inquired as to why all of the district's behavior specialists received letters from the district, informing the specialists that their contracts would not be renewed.

According to Superintendent Key, the district was not going to renew contracts with the behavioral specialists, as none of them were certified to be a specialist.

"The letters went out to all uncertified teachers," Key said. "The state tells us not to hire uncertified teachers."

Key said he believed the behavior specialists were brought on in a 'politically motivated' move by the district, previously.

"I need behavior specialists changing the behavior of students, not just getting salaries," said Key.

The school board's attorney, Dorothy Minnis noted that by Florida statute, every district has to notify employees that they may not be reappointed.

"It's required by law to send the letters out by a certain time, but that doesn't mean they won't be reappointed," Minnis added.

Johnson said she did not agree with Key's recommendation, and she wanted the board to intervene.

Attorney Minnis explained that the school board member cannot refuse the recommendation of the superintendent, unless they have good cause to intervene.

"Good cause has to be more than 'I disagree,'" Minnis said. "The fact that you don't think he doesn't

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Is a Dollar General coming to the St. Johns Community?



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A Dollar General may be coming to the St. John community.

During a May 18 meeting, Gadsden County commissioners voted to adopt an ordinance that approves a small-scale comprehensive plan for a future land use map amendment.

This amendment will change the zoning of a two-and-a-half acre property that is located on the east side of Bainbridge Highway, near the intersection of Hutchinson Ferry Road.

According to the plan, this property will be changed from an agriculture zoning to a commercial zoning, despite the planning commission voting 8-0 to recommend that the board not adopt the ordinance last year.

One of the reasons the planning commission voted the future land use amendment down previously was because the proposed site was located at, or almost directly across from, the intersection with Hutchinson Ferry Road, where there have been

several fatal accidents.

When voting down the plan last year, the planning commissioners stated traffic in the area was dangerous, and there wasn't enough time to allow drivers to slow down, along with a grocery list of other reasons.

In the recent amendment, a request has been made to allow a retail store to be constructed at the intersection, and a Dollar General Store was proposed.

Citizen Derrick Elias went before the board on behalf of his mother Ruby Mitchell, who lives directly across the street from the property in mention.

Elias said his mother, some of his family, and many other people do not want a store popping up at that intersection.

"You open the door to destroy country living, as we call it, if you approve this proposal tonight," Elias said.

Elias said he's not opposing the store, but he is opposing the store being located directly in front of his mother's house, adding that the proposed Dollar General is incompatible with the

surrounding area.

Elias also presented the commissioners with 85 signed petitions of people who live in the St. John community, all in opposition of the future land use map amendment.

Attorney David Theriaque, who was representing Teramore Development - the company contracted to develop the property - said Teramore Development had already agreed to buy Elias' mother's property for \$350,000.

"The only reason that Mr. Elias is opposing is because when he demanded \$350,000, and he didn't get it, he indicated he would do his best to kill us, and if we were successful it would then make his mother's property lucrative to our competitors, so incompatible should not be there, it is simply driven to convince my client to pay \$350,000," said Theriaque.

Josh Hufstetler, a representative of Teramore Development, said the company does have an agreement with Elias' mother to purchase the property for \$250,000.

Hufstetler said the additional \$100,000 came as a result of Dollar General's necessity to restrict competition from coming in, to ensure that the landowner doesn't bring in another company that will try to put Dollar General out of business, such as Family Dollar or Dollar Tree.

"We believe we bring a few things to the community—jobs, economic development and convenience to the neighbors that want to shop at a neighborhood commercial store, such as Dollar General," Theriaque said.

He said there will be 8 to 10 part-time and full-time jobs at the store, and the county will receive revenue from taxes.

Elias addressed Hufstetler's comments, saying after the planning

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Gadsden County Class of 2021



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Baggin' for Brian

Sheriff's Office raises funds in honorary scholarship



PHOTO BY TIMES STAFF

The Baggin' for Brian fundraiser at Piggly Wiggly raised funds in the honor of former Gadsden deputy, Brian Faison. Pictured, from left to right, is: Tami Faison, Lt. Anglie Holmes, Roy Moore (owner - Piggly Wiggly), Shannon Faison, Sheriff Morris Young, and Donny Young.

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Law enforcement officers and partners with the Gadsden County Sheriff's Office could be spotted on the morning of Saturday, May 29 performing an unusual act of public service - bagging groceries.

In an event titled "Baggin' for Brian", officers with the sheriff's office gathered at the Quincy Piggly Wiggly to raise funds for a scholarship named in honor of one of the agency's former deputies.

In February of this year, Deputy Brian Faison passed away in a battle against COVID-19, leaving behind a legacy that the sheriff's office said they wanted to continue trying to fill.

Deputy Faison was well-known around the community, and in addition to his public enforcement duties, Faison was the head of security at the local Piggly Wiggly - making the location of the fundraiser all the more relevant.

On the morning of May 29, deputies with the sheriff's office bagged groceries

and solicited donations for the Brian Faison Scholarship Fund - a scholarship that will go towards helping a local high school senior go to college.

It is the hopes of the sheriff's office and the Faison family that the \$1,500 scholarship will be awarded annually; this year, the scholarship will be given to a student graduating from Gadsden County High School, but the scholarship organizers plan to alternate schools each year.

The Gadsden County Sheriff's Office considered the event a success, and volunteers from all ranks of the agency came out to bag groceries and push carts for the patrons.

While the Baggin' for Brian event has concluded, the sheriff's office and Faison family will continue to accept donations for the scholarship - donations from the community can be made by sending money electronically through CashApp to either \$bigfais15 or \$TamiKfaison



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the Park program, rain or shine.
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Fundraising dog wash

- Saturday, June 5
- 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.
- First Presbyterian Church, 213 Northeast 1st Street, Havana

Gadsden County Humane Society will be holding a fundraising dog wash to generate funds for the nonprofit agency. The washes will take place each month, on the first Saturday of the month, through October. The suggested donation is \$5 for small dogs and \$10 for large dogs.

Riverkeepers' Ice Cream Social

- Thursday, June 10
- 6 - 7 p.m.
- Virtual

The Apalachicola Riverkeepers will be hosting a virtual Ice Cream Social for those interested in learning about the group, their conservation efforts, and how they are educating the public about important water-related issues. Make sure to bring your ice cream, and enjoy music and fun virtual activities. There is no cost to attend.

Contact: to register, email riverkeeper@apalachicolariverkeeper.org

Havana Farmer's Market

- Saturday, June 12
- 9 a.m.
- Downtown Havana, across the street from the police station

Come check out local vendors, with homemade goods and farm-fresh produce, during the monthly Havana Farmer's Market.

Jackson County Mobile Food Pantry distribution

- Thursday, June 3
- 10 a.m.
- Community Park, Greenwood (Jackson County).

The Jackson County Angels Mobile Food Pantry will be distributing food to local families at the Greenwood Community Park in Jackson County.

Hurricane Michael assistance to homeowners

- Friday, June 4
- 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.
- Chattahoochee City Hall - 22 Jefferson Street

The Florida Department of Economic Opportunity will be taking applications for Gadsden County homeowners to receive assistance through the Rebuild Florida Housing Repair and Replacement Program, due to damages from 2018's Hurricane Michael.

This is a one-day pop-up location.

American Legion to place flags on veteran graves

- Friday, June 4
- 8 a.m.
- 6412 Memorial Blue Star Highway, Chattahoochee

American Legion Post 51 members will be placing flags on the graves of veterans at Old Mount Pleasant

Cemetery, in Chattahoochee, as well as other local cemeteries.

Ribbon cutting in Chattahoochee

- Friday, June 4
- 10 a.m.
- 19 North Bolivar Street, Chattahoochee

Rack-Em Up Seafood & Things will be cutting the ribbon on their new restaurant.

Lake 38 Pro Am water skiing tournament

- June 4 - June 6
- 8 a.m. each day
- 5049 Pt. Milligan Road, Quincy

A water skiing tournament for amateurs and professionals alike. There will be two rounds of amateur competition on Friday, June 4, two rounds of professional competition on Saturday, June 5, and final rounds for both on Sunday, June 6. This event is open to the public to watch, with no entry charge, and will be held at Lake 38.

Fitness in the Park

- Saturday, June 5
- 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.
- Carter Parramore Academy, 631 South Stewart Street, Quincy

Kingz and Queenz Fitness will be holding a Fitness in

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have enough data or analysis as you would have is not good cause."

Key said he did not base his decision off evaluations.

"Every principal and assistant principal has a very effective evaluation, so if all are effective and our schools are where they are at, then we have a problem," Keys said. "So we can't use data in this situation."

School board chair Leroy McMillan explained that the board's job is to make policy and procedures, and that the hiring and firing of staff members is Key's job.

"The superintendent has the liberty to hire and fire, and we have no influence," McMillan said.

The board voted 4-1 to approve Key's recommendations for rehiring, with board member Johnson being the lone dissenting vote.

The board also voted to approve Key's recommendation of a job description for

provisional instructors, or in other words, permanent substitutes, as Keys also called them.

Instructors who are not certified by the state will make \$31,000 a year beginning June 30, instead of being paid \$38,000 as beginning teachers like they were during the 2020-2021 school year.

After being hired, provisional instructors must enroll in the Professional Development Certification Program assisted by the Professional Learning Department, make regular progress toward obtaining a professional certificate over a three-year period, during which the provisional instructor must obtain a Professional Florida Teaching Certificate to continue working in the district.

Previously, the district allowed instructional personnel to teach without being certified.

"We've been doing it, but we've been violating state law," said Key.

In the past, teachers would obtain a temporary

teaching certificate for the Department of Education, which allowed them to teach in classrooms for three years.

Keys said many of those with temporary teaching certificates were not passing the required exams needed to become certified by the time the temporary certificate expired.

The district's human resources director Dr. Sonja Jackson said that the district will be assisting instructors in becoming certified.

"There will be things in place to ensure they get certified," Dr. Jackson said, adding that provisional instructors, or in other words permanent substitutes, will make less than teachers.

Gary Russ Jr., who teaches English language arts at James A. Shanks Middle School told Key and the board members that he will fall into the category of provisional instructors after June 30, as he has not passed the state certification exam.

According to Russ, his salary may drop to \$31,000 a year as a

result of the changes - a drop from the previous \$34,000 and \$38,000 that he has made in previous years.

"That is a slap in my face," Russ said. "I've been in the classroom for three years."

Russ also said he had been teaching in the Gadsden County School District for a year and a half before becoming aware of the new teacher programs.

"You're telling me I'm going to lose \$7,000 because I didn't receive the help I need from the district?"

Russ asked. Key noted that provisional instructors whose temporary teaching certificate expires can apply for an extension through the Florida Department of Education.

According to Key, he has signed off on every application for an extension that was sent to him.

"If they submit a letter, it will be signed and sent to the Department of Education," Keys said.

School Board Member Charlie Frost suggested

postponing voting on the matter until after the board could further discuss it with the teachers.

Key said if the board didn't approve the new job position, instructors who are not certified would become regular substitutes next year and would be paid accordingly.

Keys said substitutes are paid \$15 an hour, and don't receive any benefits.

Board members Steve Scott, Leroy McMillan and Charlie Frost voted in favor of creating the provisional instructor job position, while School Board Members Cathy Johnson and Karema Dudley voted against it.

Provisional instructors will receive benefits such as sick leave, in accordance with the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Sustainability Act.

In an effort to fill Gadsden County public schools' classrooms with more highly effective, certified teachers the board also unanimously voted to

partner with St. Leo University to implement a Paraprofessional to Professional program.

The program is designed to support paraprofessionals who want to become teachers in the Gadsden County School District.

Upon completion of the two-year program, teachers will obtain teaching credentials, and teacher certification, along with one of two degree options: Bachelor's of Arts Kindergarten-sixth grade elementary education with Kindergarten-12 grade reading endorsement, or Bachelor's of the Arts in middle grades education (social science and English).

In other matters, the board members also voted 5-0 to allow the City of Gretna to purchase the old Gretna Elementary School, which permanently closed in 2017.

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commission voted Teramore's request down, Hufstetler called him offering to purchase his mother's property.

"There was a contract signed, regardless of the amount of money," Elias said. "By the way, it wasn't \$350,000; it was \$260,000, but again the property was not for sell, so if they

wanted it 'get up and come get it; make us know that you want it.'"

Elias said after the contract was signed, Hufstetler came back with a restrictive covenants agreement. He said he told Hufstetler his mother would only agree if they would pay another \$100,000.

Hufstetler did not agree, so Elias said they would instead offer them first right

of refusal if another company wants to come in and purchase the property in the future.

"He wanted my mother to sign in perpetuity what she could and could not do with the remaining portion of her property," Elias said.

Citizens in favor of Dollar General also attended the meeting.

Norman Shaw appeared before the board and said he was in favor of having a Dollar General in the community.

"It doesn't matter where it's located at, but we do need one," Shaw said.

Shaw said the local country stores charge twice as much as Dollar General does for the same items.

Sylvester Green, who lives in the neighboring Robertsville community, agreed with Shaw.

"There's a great need for this store," Green said.

Green said many of the residents in Robertsville don't have transportation to the Dollar General located in Quincy.

"I don't shop at the country store for the simple fact that they take advantage of my people," Green said.

Green said he respects that Elias is looking out for the best interest of his elderly mother, but his parents are also elderly and he worries about them each time they travel into Quincy to shop.

Commissioner Ronterrious Green pointed out that there has been a change to the members of the planning commission since the recommendation to deny the small scale comprehensive plan change was denied.

He also said he doesn't want the company to go to another county, as other companies have done in the past.

Commission Chair Brenda Holt said the property is located in her district, and she's been out in the community talking to citizens for two weeks, and she said they have all stated they want the dollar store.

Holt noted that she had petitions from more than citizens in favor of having the Dollar General in the St. John community.

"We have to look at the whole community—look at the economic development, the growth," Holt said.

The future land use map amendment passed 4-1, with Commissioner Eric Hinson being the only commissioner to vote against it.

Now that the board has voted to approve the future land use map amendment from agriculture to commercial, the ordinance will be sent to the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity Division of Community Development.

The division will have 31 days upon receipt of the ordinance to file any comments or objections.

Gadsden Growth Management Director Diane Quigley said the division doesn't usually object to small scale comprehensive plan changes.

Quigley said If no objections are filed, the ordinance becomes official.

The developer will then have to develop a site plan and go back before the planning commission and the Gadsden Board of County Commissioners for site plan approval.

In other matters, the commissioners also voted 5-0 to refinance a lease with Motorola Solutions for radio equipment, jail tower, dispatch console, as well as incorporate the civil work in the new lease agreement.

Refinancing the lease agreement offers a lower interest rate of 2.89 percent from 4.29 percent on a balance of \$963,249.87 and 3.10 percent on \$357,316.83.

The county will also be able to combine the \$435,488.43 in civil work awarded to Motorola Solutions into the new lease agreement for a seven-year term.

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Sawdust Community Outreach aims to combat violence with community-focused activities

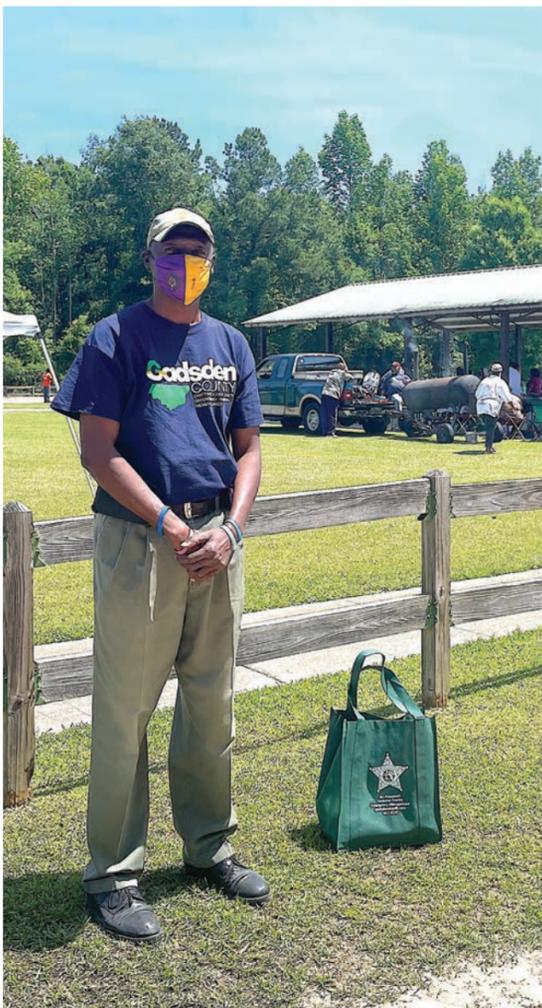


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Gadsden County Commissioner Kimblin NeSmith (District 3) was one of the primary sponsors for the Sawdust Community Day that was held at a park in the Sawdust area. The event hosts, including NeSmith, hope that events such as these will offer a positive impact on the residents of Sawdust.

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Gadsden County officials and the Sawdust Community Outreach recently celebrated the community with a family and friends day at Sawdust park on May 15.

Local residents were granted the opportunity to speak with elected school district and county commissioner representatives, enjoy a live DJ, games and free food.

The event was driven by the community's initiative

to combat violence with fun and fellowship.

County Commissioner Kimblin NeSmith and School District Chair Leroy McMillian were two significant sponsors for the community day.

McMillian occupies a school board membership for District 3, while also being the school district's chair for Gadsden County.

"As a school board representative, these kids are a priority to me and I truly want them to do better. We want parents to know that we are here to help them with their children," said McMillian. "We thought it would be great to get the children and parents together and motivate them in a positive way."

Several community based programs were present to educate and offer resources to the families in attendance; Boys Town North Florida and the Apalachee Center shared information about their advocacy and dedication to extending their helping hands far beyond their location in Tallahassee.

The development director of Boys Town North Florida, Margaret Farris, expressed her leading concern with communities being educated about all of the services that are available to the youth of Gadsden County.

"We were so excited to be a part of this. Most people are familiar with our home-campus program that houses 30 kids, but what they don't realize is we have programs that serve the community that are more preventative in nature. Our goal here today was really to be visible and inform the residents of Gadsden County about the in-home family services program and care coordination services program for families dealing with at-risk youth," Farris said.

The pattern of violence within the community has caused a shift in the relationship that residents have with their recreational parks and the Sawdust community is working to change that.

Avis Woods, the president of the Sawdust Community Outreach spoke about making the community safer not only for the youth but for the elderly.

"We're out here today letting the senior citizens do what's accessible to them, for them to not be afraid of coming out of their homes - to bring us back as a community and neighbors that love each other," Woods said.

Although social distancing and masks were heavily enforced, the children managed to enjoy themselves with various activities that included playing on the playground, chalking the sidewalk, playing basketball, and blowing bubbles.

The Gadsden County Sheriff's Office and fire department were there educating residents about hurricane season safety and providing them with resource bags filled with supplies that could be useful in the event of any natural disaster or household

emergency.

The Sawdust Community holds their meetings every other Saturday at 10 a.m. at Sawdust Park. The meeting welcomes members of the community as well as district leaders.



PHOTO BY ORIANA PLUMMER

The Gadsden County Sheriff's Office was one of the event attendees at the Sawdust Community Day, held at the Sawdust Park. Like other event partners, the sheriff's office hopes that events such as this will foster a community spirit in Sawdust, prevent rising crime, and make the community a safe place to live.

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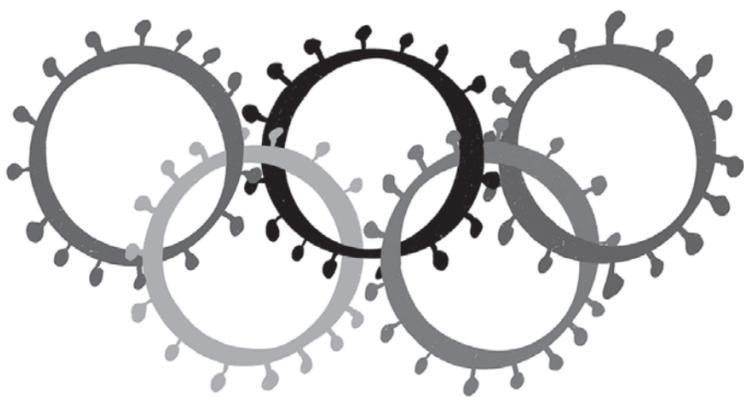
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Today Will Be Different

What dream or goal have you put aside?



SHERYL BOLDT

I could see it in the other students' eyes. Envy. Not the green-eyed monster kind of envy, but the respectful admiration they hoped to earn one day. We, the graduating class of Slidell High, were lining up in the school's main hallway to practice for graduation – the big event we thought would never come. Noticing the admiring

looks from our lower classmates, we enjoyed the satisfaction our perseverance had earned. Had we not persisted in studying and doing our homework (even when we didn't feel like it), we'd have missed that enviable pride and satisfaction that comes with dedication and hard work. In the years since, I wonder how many of my fellow graduates share my frustration at the times we haven't practiced that same perseverance. For the times we've allowed procrastination to steal other milestones we could have experienced. But it's not too late. And it's not too late for you, either. What if we recall the gratifying feelings we

experienced every time we accomplished a goal and allow those memories to help us become more disciplined and focused? How would it rekindle our zest for life if we asked God to show us the plans He still has for us? How fulfilling would it be to finally get your GED, apply for that promotion, start your own business or ministry, dust off the book manuscript you've yet to finish? When we live productive lives, we have sweeter days – and better lives. "You shall eat the fruit of the labor of your hands; you shall be blessed, and it shall be well with you" (Psalm 128:2 ESV). How about it? Have you gotten off-track regarding something God put on your heart? What about that dream that used to keep you up at night with excitement? What goal have you put aside that, with prayer and focus, you could once again

begin working toward? Wouldn't now be a great time to seek God about it? Or maybe you'd like to explore another dream you've been mulling over. Perhaps finding an accountability partner to help you stay focused would be an effective first step. As we trust God in our labor, there's something about the respect and admiration we receive from others that's healthy and motivating. Envious, even. More importantly, the self-respect we earn at the end of the day will make our efforts worthwhile and our lives sweeter. Yet...the greatest reward for living life well will be sensing the proud smile of our heavenly Father cheering for His child.

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How to prepare your trees for hurricane season

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With the arrival of hurricane season, many Florida residents are preparing for a season of severe weather. While many Floridians know how to prepare their homes, vehicles and emergency kits for hurricane season, Rob Northrop – an urban forester in Hillsborough County with the University of Florida Extension – says it is also important to prepare the trees around your property for hurricane season.

Northrop answers some of the questions Florida residents might have about how to prepare their trees for hurricane season, as well as for the fall-out after a hurricane or tropical storm has hit.

What can people do as hurricane season approaches about the trees in their yards?

"Reduction pruning or crown thinning – either would need to be conducted by a licensed (International Society of Arboriculture) certified arborist. Both of these recognized types of pruning reduce the wind load on the tree canopy."

What can people do about trees in their yard as an actual hurricane or tropical storm is about to strike (ie. a week in advance)?

"Remove dead limbs and branches."

What can people do, and what should they not do about their trees (and neighbors' trees) after a hurricane or tropical storm comes through their area?

"Do Not: Attempt to use chainsaws to cut down and cut up trees. The branches and limbs are under a great

deal of pressure and only a well-trained sawyer should attempt to clean up after the storm. Leave this to the professionals. Remove trees or limbs leaning on power lines. This should be done only by trained power line professionals who work for the local power company. Do: Prioritize work – Address the trees that need immediate attention to reduce risk to people and property. Straighten up and re-stake newly planted trees that have blown over during the storm."

What are some signs that a tree is okay or not okay after the storm strikes?

"Signs that your trees are not OK after a hurricane or tropical storm: Uprooted or broken roots on mature trees. Mature trees that are noticeably leaning more than before the storm."

When should I call an arborist?

"Some trees that were defoliated, broken, blown over or otherwise impacted by storms can be treated. Severely impacted trees need to be cut down and removed. This topic is complicated and retaining the services of an International Society of Arboriculture certified arborist is recommended."

What should I do if there is flooding around trees?

"A couple of things: Flooding loosens soil and makes trees more vulnerable to falling over during the storm. Different tree species will tolerate flooding differently. In fact, it may take a couple of years for damage to root systems to express themselves in visible loss of canopy."

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Career Retraining

If you've lost your job due to the pandemic, to the extent that you know you need a different career, the Department of Veterans Affairs might be able to help. The Veteran Rapid Retraining Assistance Program is in place and accepting applications for education and training from veterans who are out of work. There are a number of qualifications for eligibility: Over age 22 but not older than 66, out of work because of COVID, not eligible for GI Bill or VR&E benefits (or you transferred your GI Bill benefits to family members), not disabled, not in a federal or state jobs program, and not getting unemployment (including CARES ACT benefits).

The education and training offered covers VET TEC (Veteran Employment Through Technology Education Courses) at the associates degree level, non-college degree, or certificate level. These courses are accelerated and are in fields such as health care, education, media, engineering and high-tech. The VA, working with the Department of Labor, came up with a list of 208 potential careers that can spring from those high-demand occupations, ranging from electrical and mechanical engineers to web developers and graphic designers to commercial drivers, carpenters and machinists. Plus cost estimators, special-ed teachers and clergy.

If you're eligible, you can get up to 12 months of tuition and a monthly housing allowance. There is a specific list of schools that have been accepted into the program, although that list is very long.

The caveat: If you're considering this, don't delay. There's a time limit (December 2022), a money limit in funding and a participant limit of 17,250 veterans. Once one of those is reached, no further applications will be accepted.

Call the VA at 888-442-4551 with questions. Or go online to va.gov and put Veteran Rapid Retraining Assistance Program (VRRAP) in the search box for the whole list of potential careers and the schools.

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Americanisms



"I love the idea that I'm the oldest one in the room because I can get away with anything!"

— Shirley MacLaine

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NOTICE TO RECEIVE SEALED BIDS

The Gadsden County Board of County Commissioners will receive sealed bids from any qualified person, company or corporation interested in providing construction services for the following project:

FAIRBANKS FERRY ROAD SCOP
Bid No. 21-11

This project will include the resurfacing of Fairbanks Ferry Road from Fifth Avenue to Concord Road intersection.

Specifications can be obtained at Dewberry Engineers Inc., 20684 Central Avenue East, Blountstown, Florida 32424, (850) 674-3300. For questions, please contact Justin Ford at (850) 674-3300 or jford@dewberry.com. The bid must conform to Section 287.133(3) Florida Statutes, on public entity crimes.

Federal funds will be used for the construction of the proposed improvements associated with this project. The contractor shall comply with all federal funding requirements as outlined in the contract documents.

Completion date for this project will be 120 days from the date of the Notice to Proceed presented to the successful bidder. Liquidated damages for failure to complete the project on the specified date will be set at \$200.00 per day.

Please indicate on the envelope that this is a sealed bid, for the "Bid No. 21-11; FAIRBANKS FERRY ROAD SCOP."

Bids will be received until 10:00 AM (EST) on June 25, 2021 at the Gadsden County Management Services Department, Room 204, 5B East Jefferson Street, Quincy, Florida 32351, and will be opened and read aloud immediately thereafter at the County Administrator's Conference Room at 9B East Jefferson Street, Quincy, Florida 32351.

The Bid will be awarded to the lowest responsive bidder.

Cost for Specifications will be \$50.00 per set and is non-refundable. Checks should be made payable to DEWBERRY ENGINEERS INC. Digital copies will be available free of charge.

All Bids shall remain firm for a period of sixty days after the opening. All bidders shall comply with all applicable State and local laws concerning licensing registration and regulation of contractors doing business to the State of Florida.

Graduation 2021

Gadsden County Class of 2021 graduates

Gadsden County High School Valedictorian: Ya'Mya Roberts

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Ya'Mya Roberts is the daughter of Rudolph and Tashebia Roberts, and she recently obtained the honor of being named valedictorian of Gadsden County High School's 2021 graduating class.

According to Roberts, it has always been her goal to be at the top of her class.

"I knew I was going to push myself to be the best that I can be," said Roberts.

Her hard work has allowed her to be the first Gadsden County High School student



Ya'Mya Roberts

to graduate from the Tallahassee Community College Honors Program.

Roberts' extracurricular activities include Student Government Association, Beta Club, Key Club, National Honor Society, Upward Program,

and she's a Tau Zeta Archonette.

With an interest in human biology, Roberts plans to attend the University of Florida to start her foundation of becoming an obstetrician-gynecologist

"In five years I hope to be an intern building Dr. Roberts," said Roberts.

When it comes to who inspires her it's simple: "My family inspires me."

Roberts also wants to inspire the upcoming senior class to keep pushing for the best.

"The sky is unlimited," Roberts said.

Gadsden County High School Salutatorian: Gamiyah Germany

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Gamiyah Germany has been named the salutatorian of Gadsden County High School class of 2021.

Germany has already graduated from Tallahassee Community College with her A.A. degree, and she plans to go on and study veterinary science at the University of Florida.

Her goal is to have multiple veterinary practices across the United States.

"I want my first location to be in Gadsden County so I can provide jobs for my community," said Germany.

In five years, Germany hopes to have completed an internship as she works towards her goal of opening one of many future veterinary practices.

Germany understands that networking is key when starting and maintaining your own business.

"Networking is one of



Gamiyah Germany

the biggest things you need to do so people can know who you are," said Germany.

Her greatest motivation comes from her parents.

"My parents have always been hard working," said Germany.

Her motivational nugget for the rising senior class is to keep their head on straight.

"COVID-19 threw us off, but keep your head on straight because you can be distracted by a lot of things," Germany said.

As if aiming to open several veterinary clinics around the state wasn't enough, Germany says she also aspires to open a

community center for youth in Gadsden County.

"I want kids to be able to go somewhere after-school to be productive," Germany said.

Germany has definitely been productive as a student. Her extracurricular activities include Beta Club, National Honor Society, Key Club, Army JROTC, Student Government Association, Tau Zeta Archonettes, Future Builders of America, Upward Bound Program, Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society, National Society of Leadership and Success, and National Society of High School Scholars. She has also helped pass out Farmshare, tutor other students, volunteer at a nursing home and pass out hygiene products in the community.

She is the daughter of Geron and Dawn Germany.

Robert F. Munroe Valedictorian: Macy Emmons

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Macy Emmons, the daughter of Paul Emmons and Tonya McDaniel, has the honor of being the valedictorian for Robert F. Munroe Day School class of 2021.

Emmons considers this recognition to be a great achievement, as her mom was also at the top of her high school class.

"My mom was the salutatorian of her class so I got to one-up her," Emmons said, adding that she attributes her mom as her greatest motivation.

"My mom inspired me to work hard because of



Macy Emmons

how hard she worked."

Gaining her work ethic from her mom is the reason Emmons believes she was able to balance academics and extracurricular activities throughout high school.

Emmons served as a member of the Anchor

Club, Student Council, Senior Beta Club, Cheer Captain, and the Sneads Assembly of God.

Balance is key and Emmons says she wants the upcoming class at Robert F. Munroe to remember to enjoy their senior year.

"Don't get too overwhelmed," Emmons encourages.

Upon graduation from high school, Emmons will also be graduating with her A.A. degree from Tallahassee Community College; her post-high school plans are to attend the University of Florida and study civil engineering.

Robert F. Munroe Salutatorian: Xavier Gray

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Xavier Gray has been named Salutatorian for Robert F. Munroe Day School's 2021 Senior Class.

According to Gray, it was a surreal feeling when he learned that he was being announced as his graduating class' salutatorian.

"This year has been crazy changing culture and making history," said Gray.

Gray made history as the first African American Homecoming King and Salutatorian for Munroe.

Gray says it was his great-aunt Mattie Baker who was his greatest inspiration throughout it all.

"I just always wanted



Xavier Gray

to make her proud," said.

Gray believes he has done just that by juggling his academics and extracurricular activities; the scholar is also a student-athlete playing football and basketball.

The Co-Class President was dual-enrolled at Tallahassee Community College and a member of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes and

Student Council.

Gray received his A.A. degree from the college and aims to continue his education and football career at Bethune-Cookman University, where he will major in Health and Exercise Science.

"In five years if I'm not in the National Football League, I will work my way up into owning my own physical therapy practice," said Gray.

There are two things Gray wants to remind the next senior class: "Don't be afraid to ask for help when you need it and don't let the challenges discourage you from what the results will be when you work hard," Gray said.

Xavier Gray is the son of Anthony and Machel

Crossroad Academy's Valedictorian: Tykedra Horne

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Tykedra Horne, the daughter of Antonio and Lakeisha Horne, is the valedictorian for Crossroad Academy Charter School 2021 Senior Class.

Horne says that being named her class' valedictorian was just the icing on the cake after years of having a great work ethic.

"I was always a hard worker," Horne explains, adding that she worked hard both inside and outside the classroom.

At school, Horne was a cheerleader and member of Future Business Leaders of America, Beta



Tykedra Horne

Club, National Honor Society, the Gay Student Alliance and Choir.

Horne encourages the next senior class to not let fear hold them back from achieving greatness.

"Don't be afraid to try just because something seems impossible," said Horne.

Horne says her motivation came from the environment her family built at home.

"My parents motivate me the most because they always give me the support I need and the motivation to always do what I have to do," Horne said.

Horne attributes that support in helping her obtain a A.A. degree at Tallahassee Community College, and she believes it will continue inspiring her on her journey to becoming a Cardiothoracic Surgeon.

After graduating from high school, Horne plans to attend the University of Florida and major in Health Sciences.

Crossroad Academy's Salutatorian: Caleb Smith

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Caleb Smith, the son of Chadwick and Shameka Smith, is the salutatorian for Crossroad Academy Charter School 2021 Senior Class.

Smith has already received his A.A. from Tallahassee Community College, and plans to attend Florida State College to major in marketing.

According to Smith, it was his grandmother, Ruby Mitchell, who inspired Smith to stay motivated by setting an example of hard work and diligence.

"She showed me in



Caleb Smith

order for me to get where I want to go I need to work hard," Smith said.

Smith worked hard inside and outside of the classroom; he received his A.A. degree from the community college in Leon County, and was a member of the Beta Club, National Honor Society,

the basketball team and New Direction Christian Center Youth Group.

Smith is also a musician who plays the piano and other percussion instruments.

In five years, Smith hopes to see himself in a place of financial stability, and with his bachelor's degree.

"I hope to be getting a taste of what it feels like to be successful," said Smith.

Smith understands that challenges come with success and encourages the rising seniors to keep going.

"Don't stop until you get to the finish line," Smith said.



Crossroads Christian Academy



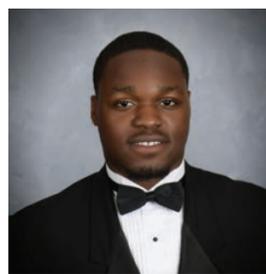
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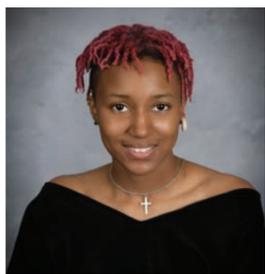
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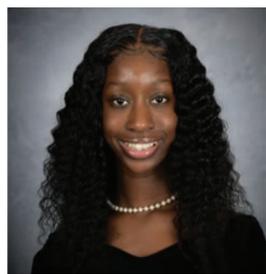
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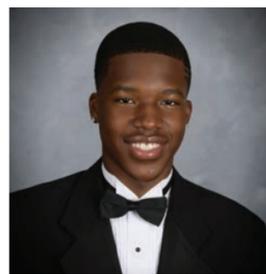
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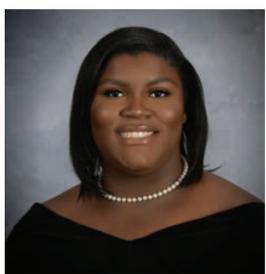
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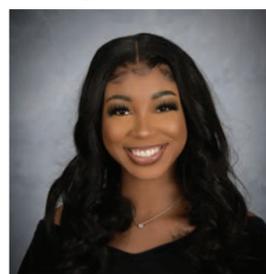
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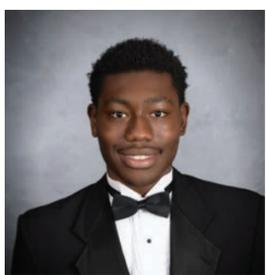
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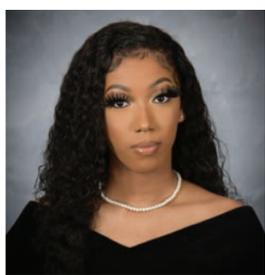
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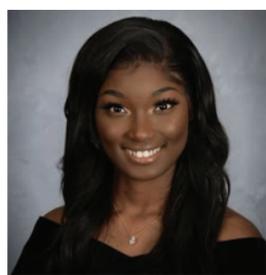
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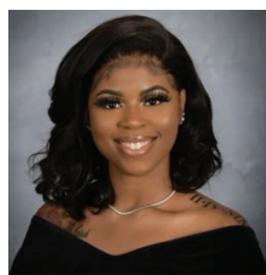
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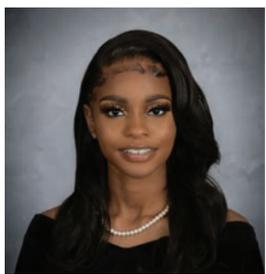
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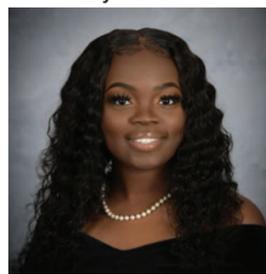
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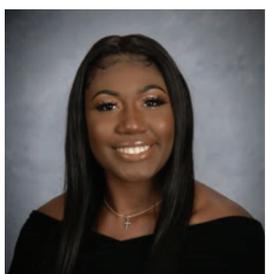
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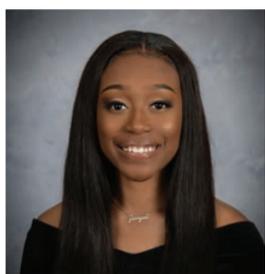
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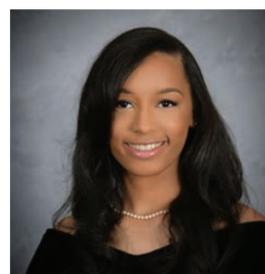
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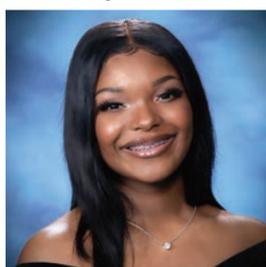
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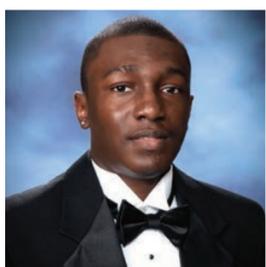
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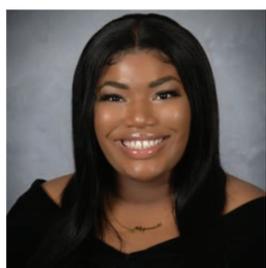
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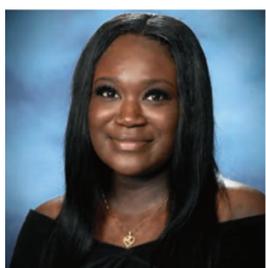
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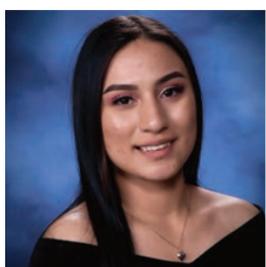
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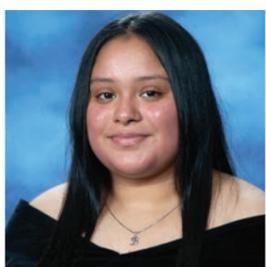
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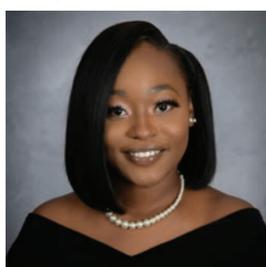
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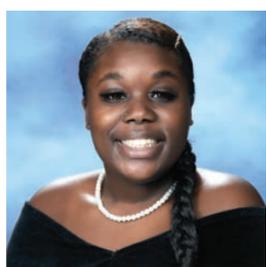
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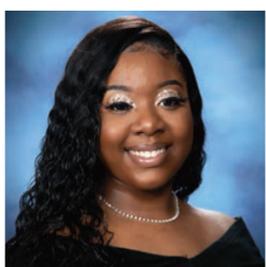
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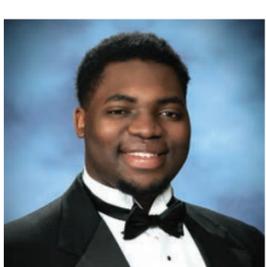
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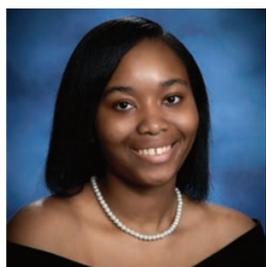
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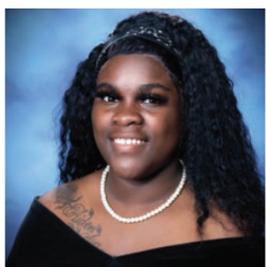
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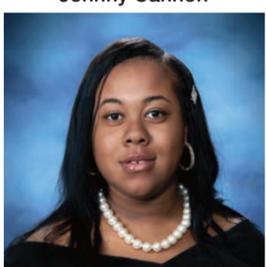
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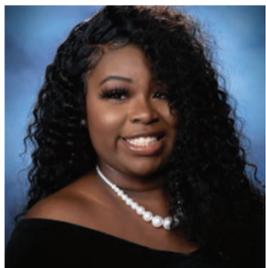
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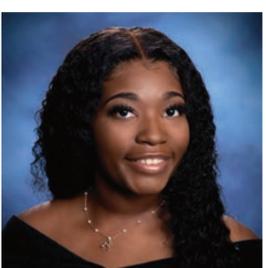
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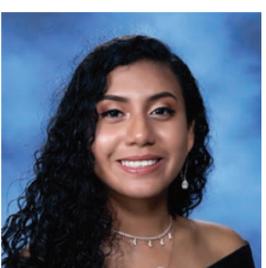
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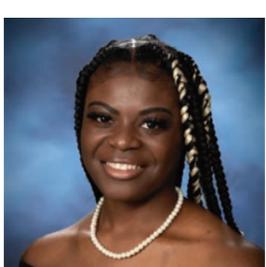
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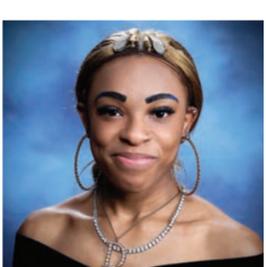
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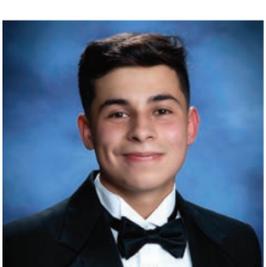
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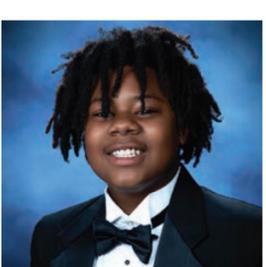
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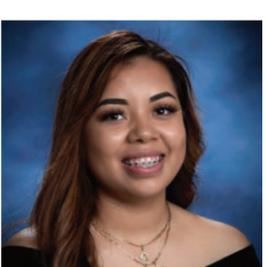
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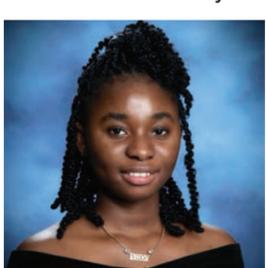
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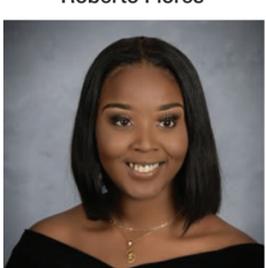
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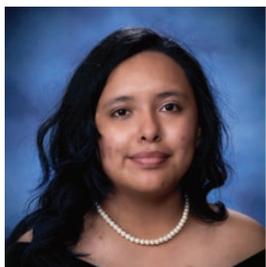
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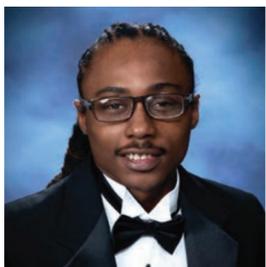
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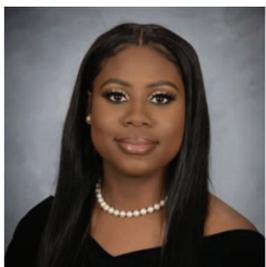
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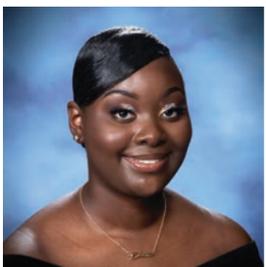
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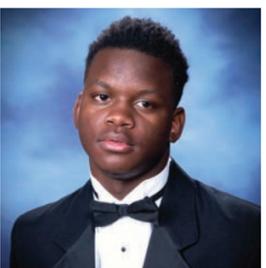
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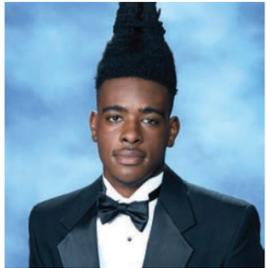
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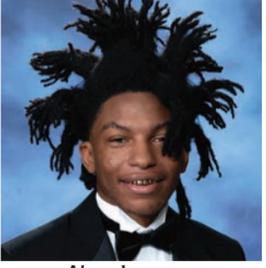
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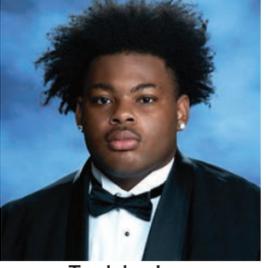
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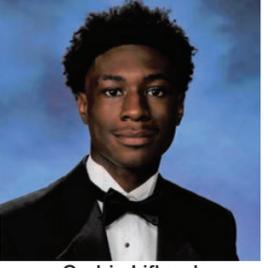
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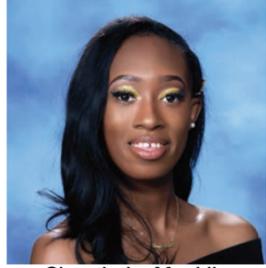
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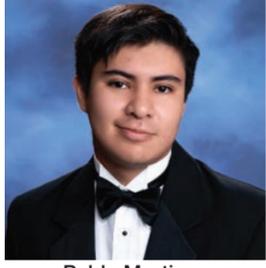
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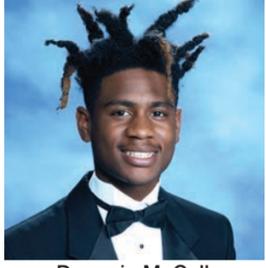
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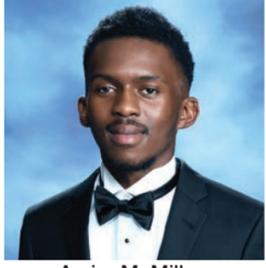
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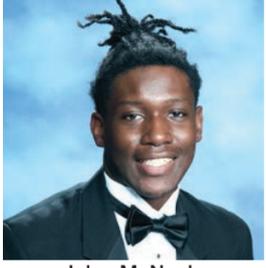
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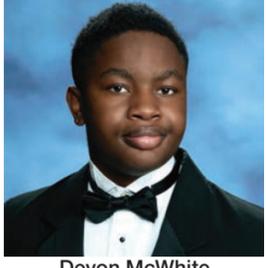
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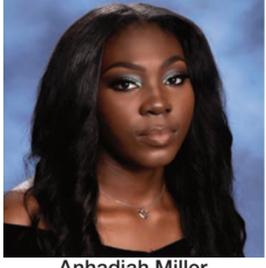
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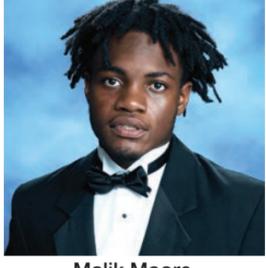
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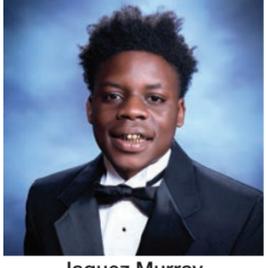
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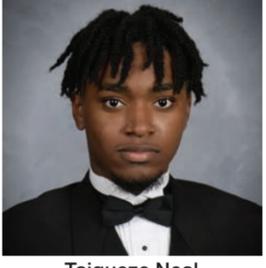
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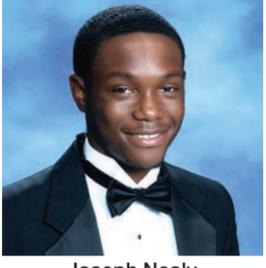
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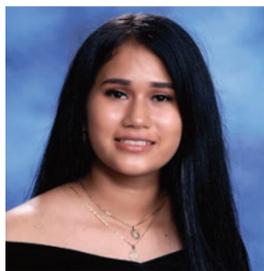
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Evelyn Plata



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Carlos Portilla



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Da'Vonta Roberts



Braxton Robinson



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Marrisha Robinson



Katherine Rosa-Gonzalez



Jinecia Ross



Tyshun Ruffin



Alejandra Ruiz-Sanchez



Aayani Scott



Tyson Scott



Amari Shellman



O'Monte Simmons



Charlie Smith



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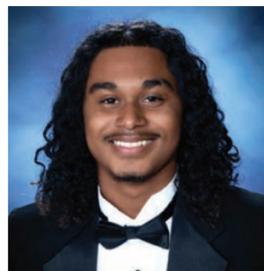
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Havana Learning Center

Havana Learning Center's graduating class of 2021



PHOTO BY HAVANA LEARNING CENTER ACADEMY

The graduates of the Class of 2021, at the Havana Learning Center, pose for a group photo towards the end of the students' final year as high school students. Also pictured is one of the kindergarten students who graduated into the first grade.

Rodtabious Perry
 Montrel Johnson
 Horace McGriff
 Jahneya Jackson
 Keliveon Murray
 Isaiah Pringles
 Lucious Hudson

Kindergartens graduating into the first grade

Ashton Patterson
 Arianna Roberts

Robert F. Munroe

Robert F. Munroe's graduating class of 2021

Valedictorian

Salutatorian

Top Student

Top Student



Macy Emmons



Xavier Gray



Marjorie Boone



Christopher Mitchem



PHOTO BY ROBERT F. MUNROE DAY SCHOOL

The graduates of the Class of 2021, at Robert F. Munroe, pose for a group photo towards the end of the students' final year as high school students.

Marco Atkins
 Ja'Nyre Battles
 Kelmeciya Brown
 Jacob Burdick
 MyKaiya Daniels
 Ronald Dickey III
 Macy Emmons
 Terrance Faulk Jr.
 Damani Frazier
 Cameron Gaines
 Xavier Gray
 Jasmine Jimenez
 Jose Jimenez
 Joel Jones
 Seth Jones
 Zachary Luke
 Jackson Machado
 Christopher Mitchem
 Danielle Mullins
 Alyssa Ortiz
 Jaquez Price
 Arianna Pride
 Giancarlo Russo
 Katherine Villeda
 De'antonio Williams
 Devonte Wilson
 Marjorie Boone
 Dylan Glover
 Martavis Graham
 Marius Ellis

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENTS

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS DOOR REPLACEMENT PROJECT ADVERTISEMENT

The Gadsden County School Board is seeking qualified Door and Hardware Contractors to provide full, turnkey service for the following: The Greensboro Elementary School door replacement project.

The purpose of this solicitation is to establish a contract with a qualified Door & Hardware Contractor to provide DOOR AND HARDWARE REPLACEMENT AS SPECIFIED IN THE PROJECT DOCUMENTS. The project includes the removal of old and the installation of new doors and associated hardware for a complete turnkey job.

- Proposers must meet the following minimum qualifications to be considered:
1. A clear understanding of requested services
 2. A minimum of 5 years in business in good standing with DBPR and BBB
 3. Properly insured
 4. Bondable
 5. Bid Bonds are required on all projects \$25,000 and over

A bid package containing the Project Documents may be picked up at the Walker Administration Building located at 35 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., Quincy FL or an electronic copy by e-mailing _lawsona@gcpsmail.com. Participants must thoroughly familiarize themselves with all instructions in the bid package to be responsive. Proposals must be delivered to the Gadsden County School's Purchasing office located at 35 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., Walker Administration Building, by 1:45 pm, on 6/7/2021. Proposal will be opened on 6/7/2021 at 2:00 pm in the Walker Administration Building located at 35 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., Quincy, FL 32351 Please direct all questions by e-mail to: _Andrea.Lawson, E-mail: _lawsona@gcpsmail.com

Any person with a disability requiring special accommodations at the pre-bid conference and/or bid/proposal opening shall contact Purchasing at the phone number above at least five (5) working days prior to the event. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the Purchasing office by using the Florida Relay Services, phone number 1 (800) 955-8771 (TTY).

3t: 5/20, 5/27, 683

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS DOOR REPLACEMENT PROJECT ADVERTISEMENT

The Gadsden County School Board is seeking qualified Door and Hardware Contractors to provide full, turnkey service for the following: The Havana Magnet School door replacement project.

The purpose of this solicitation is to establish a contract with a qualified Door & Hardware Contractor to provide DOOR AND HARDWARE REPLACEMENT AS SPECIFIED IN THE PROJECT DOCUMENTS. The project includes the removal of old and the installation of new doors and associated hardware for a complete turnkey job.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR GADSDEN COUNTY, FLORIDA FAMILY LAW DIVISION CASE NO.: 2020 DP 02

IN THE INTEREST OF:
 I.C. DOB: 08/26/2006
 S.C. DOB: 07/27/2004
 R.V. DOB: 08/12/2010

MINOR CHILDREN / NOTICE OF ACTION (TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS)

TO: RUBEN CASTILLO, ADDRESS UNKNOWN

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the State of Florida, Department of Children and Families, has filed a Petition to terminate your parental rights and permanently commit the following child(ren) for adoption: S.C., born on July 27, 2004. A copy of the Petition is on file with the Clerk of the Court. You are hereby commanded to appear on June 25, 2021, at 9:00 a.m., before the Honorable Acelo Pedrosa, Guy A Race Judicial Complex, West Entrance, 13 North Monroe Street, Quincy, Florida 32351, for an ADVISORY HEARING.

FAILURE TO PERSONALLY APPEAR AT THIS ADVISORY HEARING CONSTITUTES CONSENT TO THE TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS OF THIS CHILD (OR CHILDREN). IF YOU FAIL TO APPEAR ON THE DATE AND TIME SPECIFIED,

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COMMUNITY NEWS

OBITUARIES & DEATH NOTICES

Mary V. Coster



Ms. Mary V. Coster, 90 years of age, of Quincy, FL, departed this life on Friday, May 21, 2021 in Quincy, FL. She leaves to cherish her precious memories: three sons, Earnest Miller, Jr., Randolph Coster, both of Quincy, FL, David Coster, Tallahassee, FL, four daughters, Eula Coster, Quincy, FL, Earnestine Coster and Linda Coster, all of Quincy, FL, Phyllis Coster, St. Petersburg, FL

and a host of grands.

Visitation will be from 2pm - 6pm, Friday, May 28, 2021 at the Mortuary. Graveside service will be 1:00pm, Saturday, May 29, 2021 at Greenshade AMEC Cemetery, Quincy, FL. Williams Funeral Home of Quincy, Florida will be providing the service for the Coster family.

WILLIAMS FUNERAL HOME

Mattie Lee Richardson



Mrs. Mattie Lee Richardson, 90 years of age, of Quincy, FL, departed this life on Sunday, May 30, 2021 in Quincy, FL. She leaves to cherish her precious memories: three sons, Harry L. Richardson (Camilla), and JD Richardson (Mary), both of Jacksonville, FL, Robert Earl Richardson, Quincy, FL, two daughters, Margie Miller (Benjamin), Mt. Pleasant, FL, Jacqueline Solomon (Gregory),

Bristol, FL, 16 grands, 43 great-grands; 7 great-great-grands. Visitation will be

from 2pm - 6pm, Friday, June 4, 2021 at the Mortuary. Graveside services will be 11:00 am, Saturday, June 5, 2021 at Sunnyside Cemetery, Quincy, FL. Williams Funeral Home of Quincy, Florida will be providing the service for the Richardson family.

WILLIAMS FUNERAL HOME

Joe Rittman, Jr.



Joe Rittman, Jr., 83, of Quincy, Florida, departed this earthly life, Saturday, May 22, 2021 in Tallahassee. He was a member of Stewart Temple AME Church, Quincy. As a faithful and active member of Stewart Temple, he was a steward, trustee, class leader, member of the senior choir and male chorus, member of the Sons of Allen, and president of the Lay Organization. Professionally he was a retired school bus driver and barber. Graveside services will be 11:00 am, Saturday, May 29, 2021 at Stewart Temple Cemetery, Quincy. Viewing will be

4:00 pm to 7:00 pm, Friday, May 28, 2021 at Stewart Temple.

Survivors include his wife, Dollie McGriff Rittman, Quincy, FL; sons, Timothy Rittman (Brenda), Warner Robins, GA, Alvin

Rittman, Memphis, TN, and Joe Lamar Rittman (Countess), Groveland, FL; brother, Peter Rittman (Darlene), Chattahoochee, FL; sisters, Helen Rittman, St Petersburg, FL and Louella Rittman, St Petersburg, FL; sisters-in-law, Barbara Rittman, Quincy, FL, Shirley Byrd, Quincy, FL; brother-in-law, Robert Smith (Connie), Quincy, FL; 9 grandchildren; and 2 great grandchildren.

BRADWELL MORTUARY

Death Notices

Raymond Doss, 72, of Quincy, Florida, passed away on Wednesday, May 26, 2021, at Capital Regional Medical Center in Tallahassee, Florida.

Services Entrusted to: Reed & Hall Mortuary Corp, 116 West Jefferson Street, Quincy, (850) 627-5700

Colleen Hudgen, 68, of Havana, Florida passed away on Saturday, May 29, 2021 at her residence in Havana, Florida.

Services Entrusted to: Reed & Hall Mortuary Corp, 116 West Jefferson Street, Quincy, (850) 627-5700

Kimberly Bittle, 38, of Quincy, Florida, passed away on Friday, May 28, 2021 at Tallahassee Memorial Healthcare in Tallahassee, Florida.

Services Entrusted to: Reed & Hall Mortuary Corp, 116 West Jefferson Street, Quincy, (850) 627-5700

JoAnne Jones



JoAnn Jones, 72, of Quincy, Florida departed this earthly life Wednesday, May 26, 2021 in Tallahassee.

She made her transition peacefully in the presence of her family.

She was a faithful member of Mt Calvary PB Church where she served on the usher board.

JoAnn loved her family, and especially enjoyed spending time with her grandchildren.

Graveside services will be 11 am, Saturday, June 5,

2021 at Mt Calvary PB Church Cemetery, Quincy. Viewing will be from 3pm to 7pm, Friday, June 4, 2021 at Bradwell Mortuary.

Survivors include her daughter, Contrilla Jones, Quincy, FL; son, Cedric Tyler, Quincy, FL; granddaughter, Janceal Major (Efford), Midway, FL; grandson, Reginald Ward, Quincy, FL; and brother, Carlmon Jones (Pamela), St Petersburg, FL.

Bradwell Mortuary is in charge of arrangements.

BRADWELL MORTUARY

Wrong-way driver on Interstate 10 crashes into two vehicles

Ashley Hunter

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On Thursday, May 20, at around 10:30 a.m., Florida Highway Patrol troopers responded to a traffic crash on Interstate 10.

The crash took place on the westbound interstate lanes, near the 188 mile marker in Gadsden County.

According to the report issued by the highway patrol, the crash was the result of an intoxicated driver traveling the wrong way on the interstate.

According to the trooper's report, a 46-year-old man from Mooreland, Indiana was traveling eastbound in the westbound lane.

Meanwhile, a 55-year-old man from Chattahoochee was traveling west in the westbound lane, directly in the path of the wrong-way driver.

The highway patrol report that the Chattahoochee driver attempted to swerve and avoid colliding with the wrong-way driver, but was unsuccessful, as the left-front of the Indiana driver's vehicle struck the left-rear of the Chattahoochee driver's vehicle in a "sideswipe manner."

Then, the wrong-way driver collided with a third vehicle, with a 55-year-old driver from Inlet Beach, Florida, before coming to a rest on the north shoulder of Interstate 10.

According to the



troopers, the wrong-way driver exited his vehicle and fled away from the scene, on foot prior to the arrival of the Florida Highway Patrol.

With assistance from the Leon County Sheriff's Office's Aviation Unit, troopers report that the driver was eventually located and

placed under arrest for the charges of driving under the influence (fourth or consecutive event), driving under the influence with property damage, leaving the scene of a traffic crash, driving with a suspended or revoked license, and resisting an officer without violence.

Florida Highway Patrol was assisted on scene by the Leon County Sheriff's Office, Midway Fire Rescue, and the Gadsden County Emergency Medical Services.

No injuries were reported for either of the other drivers from Chattahoochee and Inlet Beach.

Public Announcement:

Open to the public

Gadsden Senior Services, Inc Board of Directors Meeting

Meeting scheduled for the 3rd Tuesday of every month at 3:30pm

79 Lasalle Lefall Dr Quincy, FL 32351

February 11, 2021 AD# ZQP2



GADSDEN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REVISED MEETING NOTICE

The Gadsden County Board of County Commissioners will virtually hold and broadcast their bi-monthly regular meeting and public hearings on **Tuesday, June 15, 2021**, at 6:00 p.m. Those wishing to provide public testimony for the meeting and public hearings will be able to do so by attending the meeting. This meeting may also be viewed by accessing the Gadsden County Board of County Commissioners Facebook, www.facebook.com/GadsdenCountyBOCC. Virtual meeting access details will be posted to the Gadsden County website, www.gadسدencounttyfl.gov. Anyone wishing to speak via the virtual meeting platform on agenda items or non-agenda items should schedule or notify the County Public Information Officer at 850-875-8671 or at media@gadسدencounttyfl.gov before attending the meeting and will be asked to follow the Gadsden County Public Meetings Citizens Access Guidelines. Public comment for Commissioners meetings can be submitted via email to CitizensToBeHeard@gadسدencounttyfl.gov until 12:00 noon on **Tuesday, June 15, 2021**. Comments submitted after the deadline but prior to the meeting will be added to the official record, but the County cannot guarantee that Commissioners and staff will have adequate time to review comments prior to the meeting. The proposed agenda will include the following scheduled Public Hearing:

Community Meetings (Legislative Hearing) (LDR 2021-03) - Consideration Ordinance #2021-004 to amendment Chapter 1 Administration and Enforcement of the Land Development Code to add a requirement for a community meeting as part of the development process as follows:

ORDINANCE 2021-004

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF GADSDEN COUNTY, FLORIDA AMENDING THE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE BY ADDING CHAPTER 1, SUBSECTION 1306 COMMUNITY MEETING AND PROVIDING FOR REPEAL, SEVERABILITY, INCLUSION IN THE GADSDEN COUNTY LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE, MODIFICATIONS THAT MAY ARISE FROM CONSIDERATION AT PUBLIC HEARING, AND CORRECTION OF SCRIVENER'S ERRORS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Off-Street Parking and Driveway Standards (Legislative Hearing) (LDR 2021-04) - Consideration of Ordinance #2021-005 to amend Subsection 5606 Standards for Off-Street Parking and Subsection 5607 Off-Street Parking Requirements of the Land Development Code as follows:

ORDINANCE 2021-005

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF GADSDEN COUNTY, FLORIDA AMENDING THE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE CHAPTER FIVE, DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS AND PROVIDING FOR REPEAL, SEVERABILITY, INCLUSION IN THE GADSDEN COUNTY LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE, MODIFICATIONS THAT MAY ARISE FROM CONSIDERATION AT PUBLIC HEARING, AND CORRECTION OF SCRIVENER'S ERRORS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

The files for the proposals are available for public inspection at least one week prior to the meeting at the Gadsden County Planning Division, 1B E. Jefferson St., Quincy, Florida, and on the County website at www.gadسدencounttyfl.gov.

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

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this meeting, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Persons needing assistance in obtaining any information from the County must contact the County Offices, 1B E. Jefferson Street, Quincy, Florida, and (850)694-2227 at least 48 hours prior to the meeting; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

DIESEL MECHANIC NEEDED - FARM EQUIPMENT (QUINCY, FLORIDA)

Local, family-owned farm equipment sales/repairs business (since 1976) seeking a qualified, experienced diesel mechanic (full-time) with computer skills for diagnostic equipment. Compensation commensurate with experience; includes commissions, employer paid health insurance (CHP), holidays, sick days, and uniforms. Working hours are 8 am to 5 pm (EST), Monday-Friday; closed weekends. Clark Tractor Company 526 E Jefferson Street, Quincy, Florida 32351 850-875-3100

COMMUNITY NEWS

THE DIRT ROAD WONDER

A BOY NAMED SUE AND A GIRL NAMED EVERETT

I am sure that all of you have heard the song "A Boy Named Sue" by Johnny Cash; in the song, Cash (as the Boy Named Sue) tells about the hard time he had growing up with a girl's name.

Sue's father knew he wouldn't be around to protect him and with a name like Sue, he would soon have to learn to protect himself.

I am living proof that girls that had boy's names back in the 1930s and 1940s, and they had just as hard a time.

Maybe my father thought my having a boy's name was not such a bad idea for his little tomgirl; he was already getting sick when I was born, and passed away when I was very young.

My story starts in Dr. Sapp's three bed hospital in Havana; it is the white building that A Touch of Class Florist was in on Main Street.

It is early morning and I have just been born.

Dr Sapp steps out to tell Daddy.

He said, "Everett you are going to have to change that name because it is a girl."

Daddy said, "Like heck. That baby is going to be named after me."

That is how I went through my younger years with everyone that didn't know me thinking that Everett Gwynn Holman was a boy.

They started out trying to call me Little Eve, but Mama put a stop to that because she said it sounded like a burlesque dancer's name.

Despite not approving of "Little Eve", Mama also didn't want to call me 'Everett' either - probably because the meaning of that name is "Brave as a wild Boar" and that is kind of harsh for a girl.

Then there was the spelling of



GWYNN KIDD

my names as well...Gwynn is a family name, so people always either wrote Guinn or Gwen, and I still get misspelled mail to this day.

I wish they would get the name right on those return address labels. I hate throwing them away.

When I was a senior in high school, I received some gifts for graduation that the rest of the girls didn't receive.

One was name labels that you sew into your clothes for identification. When none of the other girls had received any, it dawned on me that they were from Fletcher-Canty Men's Wear, and I had been given the gift because the shop thought I was a boy. I got a couple more misdirected gifts, but I can't remember who they were from.

The worst thing that happened to me because of my name was that I was almost drafted.

During the Korean War, if you were a boy, it was a serious offence to not register with the local draft board when you turned eighteen.

I received a letter from them that stated that I had not registered, and I could be sent to jail if I didn't come in and register.

Of course, they did not draft women, so I was not worried about that.

I took my birth certificate and went to see them.

They apologized for the threatening letter, and we all had a good laugh. It was so much easier then to settle things face to face.

My first name has withstood the test of time. Some love it, others not so much. It is what it is, and I am what I am.

I would not take anything for having this ever-present reminder of the father that I lost so very long ago and loved so much.

'Till next time keep on the sunny side.

Gwynn0720@Comcast.net

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YOU MAY LOSE ALL LEGAL RIGHTS AS A PARENT TO THE CHILD OR CHILDREN NAMED IN THIS NOTICE.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, and pursuant to FLSC Administrative Order 20-13, ALL hearings are being conducted via telephone and video conferencing. IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO CONTACT THE GADSDEN COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE AT (850) 875-8601 24 HOURS BEFORE THE HEARING TO RECEIVE THE CORRECT CALL IN INFORMATION.

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; 301 South Monroe Street, Room 225, Tallahassee, FL 32301; 850-606-4401 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 at Quincy, Gadsden County, Florida on 4th day of May 2021.

(Seal)
NICHOLAS THOMAS, CLERK

BY: _____
DEPUTY CLERK
4t: 5/13, 5/20, 5/27, 6/3

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR GADSDEN COUNTY, FLORIDA FAMILY LAW DIVISION CASE NO.: 2020 DP 02

IN THE INTEREST OF:

I.C. DOB: 08/26/2006
S.C. DOB: 07/27/2004
R.V. DOB: 08/12/2010

MINOR CHILDREN /

NOTICE OF ACTION (TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS)

TO: ROGER VELASQUEZ aka ROGER VALASQUEZ, ADDRESS UNKNOWN

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the State of Florida, Department of Children and Families, has filed a Petition to terminate your parental rights and permanently commit the following child(ren) for adoption: R.V., born on August 12, 2010. A copy of the Petition is on file with the Clerk of the Court. You are hereby commanded to appear on June 25, 2021, at 9:00 a.m., before the Honorable Acelo Pedrosa, Guy A Race Judicial Complex, West Entrance, 13 North Monroe Street, Quincy, Florida 32351, for an ADVISORY HEARING.

FAILURE TO PERSONALLY APPEAR AT THIS ADVISORY HEARING CONSTITUTES CONSENT TO THE TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS OF THIS CHILD (OR CHILDREN). IF YOU FAIL TO APPEAR ON THE DATE AND TIME SPECIFIED, YOU MAY LOSE ALL LEGAL RIGHTS AS A PARENT TO THE CHILD OR CHILDREN NAMED IN THIS NOTICE.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, and pursuant to FLSC Administrative Order 20-13, ALL hearings are being conducted via telephone and video conferencing. IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO CONTACT THE GADSDEN COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE AT (850) 875-8601 24 HOURS BEFORE THE HEARING TO RECEIVE THE CORRECT CALL IN INFORMATION.

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; 301 South Monroe Street, Room 225, Tallahassee, FL 32301; 850-606-4401 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 at Quincy, Gadsden County, Florida on 4th day of May 2021.

(Seal)
NICHOLAS THOMAS, CLERK

BY: _____
DEPUTY CLERK
4t: 5/13, 5/20, 5/27, 6/3

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR GADSDEN COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION

File No. 21000096CPA
Division Probate

IN RE: ESTATE OF

KAREN LYNN BRADWELL Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS (Summary Administration)

TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS OR DEMANDS AGAINST THE ABOVE ESTATE:

You are hereby notified that an Order of Summary Administration has been entered in the estate of Karen Lynn Bradwell, deceased, File Number 21000096CPA, by the Circuit Court for Gadsden County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is P.O. Box 1649, Quincy, FL 32351; that the decedent's date of death was July 25, 2020; that the total value of the estate is \$0 and that the names and addresses of those to whom it has been assigned by such order are:

Name
Kacyn Black
Address
1246 Selman Rd
Quincy, FL 32351

Name
Jaavod Oliver
Address
6660 Knightsbridge Drive
Elfers, Florida 34653

ALL INTERESTED PERSONS ARE NOTIFIED THAT: All creditors of the estate of the decedent and persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent other than those for whom provision for full payment was made in the Order of Summary Administration must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN FLORIDA STATUTES SECTION 733.702. ALL CLAIMS AND DEMANDS NOT SO FILED WILL BE FOREVER BARRED. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER APPLICABLE TIME PERIOD, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.

The date of first publication of this Notice is May 27, 2021.
Attorney for Persons Giving Notice

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR GADSDEN COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION CASE NO. 21000175ES

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF PETER JOHN ORRICO, Deceased

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of PETER JOHN ORRICO, deceased, whose date of death was April 7, 2021, File Number 21000175-ES, is pending in the Circuit Court for Gadsden County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 10 East Jefferson Street, Quincy, FL 32351. 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 served must file their claims with this Court WITHIN THE LATER OF THREE MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent, 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 WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN SECTION 733.702 OF THE FLORIDA PROBATE CODE WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

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

The date of the first publication of this Notice is May 27, 2021.

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2t: 5/27, 6/3

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR GADSDEN COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION File No.: 21000172CPA

IN RE: ESTATE OF DAVID JAMES LETTELIER, Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of David James Lettelier, deceased, whose date of death was April 19, 2021, is pending in the Circuit Court for Gadsden County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 10 E. Jefferson St., Quincy, FL 32351. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

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

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

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

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

The date of first publication of this notice is May 27, 2021.

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Sharyn Bennett
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2t: 5/27, 6/3

FICTITIOUS NAME

Notice Is Hereby Given that Tallahassee Medical Center, Inc., 23186 Blue Star Hwy, Quincy, FL 32351, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of HCA Florida Gadsden Emergency, A part of HCA Florida Capital Hospital, with its principal place of business in the State of Florida in the County of Gadsden, will file an Application for Registration of Fictitious Name with the Florida Department of State.
1t: 6/3

FICTITIOUS NAME

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Notice is hereby given that Mitch's Auto Restoration Service, L.L.C., located at 405 Sheline Drive, Havana, FL 32333, desires to engage in business under the fictitious name "M.A.R.S." and intends to register such fictitious name with the Florida Department of State, Division of Corporations upon the receipt of the publication of this notice.
1t: 6/3

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, 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: 1564 YEAR OF ISSUANCE: 2019

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: OR 827 P 540 DB 91 P 225; BEGIN 1811.1 FT E AND 500 FT N OF SWC OF SE 1/4 OF NW1/4., RUN N 150 FT., W 290.4 FT., S 150 FT., E 290.4 FT TO THE POB. IN SECTION 5-2N-4W.

PARCEL ID NUMBER: 3-05-2N-4W-0000-00133-0100

Name in which assessed: Olin Ward and Fannie Ward

Said Property being in the County of Gadsden, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the courthouse door on the 4th Day of August, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.

Dated this 28th Day of April, 2021
NICHOLAS THOMAS
Clerk of the Circuit Court
Gadsden County, Florida
BY: _____
Ann Marie Presnell, Deputy Clerk
4t: 6/3, 6/10, 6/17, 6/24

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, Municipal Point Capital 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: 254 YEAR OF ISSUANCE: 2019

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: OR 847 P 509 OR 273 P 807 OR 409 P 54 LOT 9 BLK A, COUNTRY MEADOWS.

PARCEL ID NUMBER: 2-26-3N-2W-0201-0000A-0090

Name in which assessed: Cathy S Johnson

Said Property being in the County of Gadsden, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the courthouse door on the 4th Day of August, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.

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CERTIFICATE NO: 425 YEAR OF ISSUANCE: 2019

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: OR 736 P 1130; DB 111 P 374-BEGIN 23 FT S & 202.5 FT W OF NEC OF SW1/4 OF SW 1/4 OF NW1/4, RUN S 50 FT, E 100 FT, N 50 FT, W 100 FT TO THE P.O.B. IN SECTION 35-3N-2W.

PARCEL ID NUMBER: 2-35-3N-2W-0000-00233-0700

Name in which assessed: Katie M Warren

Said Property being in the County of Gadsden, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the courthouse door on the 4th Day of August, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.

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CERTIFICATE NO: 938 YEAR OF ISSUANCE: 2019

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: OR 727 P 36 OR 727 P 42 BEGIN AT NWC OF NE1/4 OF SE1/4 SOUTH 11*16' EAST 399.30 FT; NORTH 75*45' EAST 182.80 FT; NORTH 11*16' WEST 353.40 FT; WEST 185.20 FT TO THE POB. LYING IN SECTION 4-3N-6W. OR 679 P 1034 OR 131 P 268.

PARCEL ID NUMBER: 2-04-3N-6W-0000-00412-0100

Name in which assessed: Robert J Fennell Sr, Janice Y Fennell, Carmena Fennell, Robert J Fennell Jr, Meredith Fennell

Said Property being in the County of Gadsden, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the courthouse door on the 4th Day of August, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.

Dated this 28th Day of April, 2021
NICHOLAS THOMAS
Clerk of the Circuit Court
Gadsden County, Florida
BY: _____
Ann Marie Presnell, Deputy Clerk
4t: 6/3, 6/10, 6/17, 6/24

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, TLOA of Florida, 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: 1556 YEAR OF ISSUANCE: 2019

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: OR 712 P 1026 OR 712 P 1024 OR 712 P 1022 OR 712 P 1020-CORR Q/CLAIM OR 688 P 1997 OR 686 P 455 OR 571 P 1584; OR 455 P 1525. DB 89 P 323 LOT 7 BLOCK X IN BURMAH HEIGHTS

PARCEL ID NUMBER: 3-01-2N-4W-0860-0000X-0070

Name in which assessed: Gary W Bailey, E Lamar Bailey, and Earnestine B Priester

Said Property being in the County of Gadsden, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the courthouse door on the 4th Day of August, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.

Dated this 28th Day of April, 2021
NICHOLAS THOMAS
Clerk of the Circuit Court
Gadsden County, Florida
BY: _____
Ann Marie Presnell, Deputy Clerk
4t: 6/3, 6/10, 6/17, 6/24

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, TLOA of Florida, 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: 1863 YEAR OF ISSUANCE: 2019

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: OR 373 P 1852 BEGIN AT INTERSECTION OF NORTH BNDRY OF SW 1/4 OF NE 1/4 AND THE EAST R/W OF VIRGINIA ST AND RUN EAST 150 FT; S 100 FT; WEST 150 FT; N 100 FT TO THE P.O.B. IN SECT 14-2N-4W.

PARCEL ID NUMBER: 3-14-2N-4W-0000-00132-1300

Name in which assessed: Simon Howard Jr and Vivian R Howard

Said Property being in the County of Gadsden, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the courthouse door on the 4th Day of August, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.

Dated this 28th Day of April, 2021
NICHOLAS THOMAS
Clerk of the Circuit Court
Gadsden County, Florida
BY: _____
Ann Marie Presnell, Deputy Clerk
4t: 6/3, 6/10, 6/17, 6/24

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, Carlos Alexander Maldonado, 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: 2369 YEAR OF ISSUANCE: 2015

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: OR 267 P 962 BEGIN 140 YDS W OF NEC OF NW1/4 OF NE1/4. RUN E. 75 YDS., S. 56 YDS., N/W TO A POINT 17 YDS. S. OF P.O.B., N. 17 YDS. TO P.O.B. LESS PART TO D.O.T. PER OR 162 P 48 IN SECTION 17-1N-2W.

PARCEL ID NUMBER: 4-17-1N-2W-0000-00121-0400

Name in which assessed: Sandra Jackson Darden

Said Property being in the County of Gadsden, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the courthouse door on the 4th Day of August, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.

Dated this 28th Day of April, 2021
NICHOLAS THOMAS
Clerk of the Circuit Court
Gadsden County, Florida
BY: _____
Ann Marie Presnell, Deputy Clerk
4t: 6/3, 6/10, 6/17, 6/24

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, Municipal Point Capital 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: 2418 YEAR OF ISSUANCE: 2019

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: OR 600 P 1615 OR 558 P 480 COMM AT SEC OF N1/2 OF NW1/4 OF NW1/4 OF SW 1/4 AND RUN S 89 DEG 06 MIN 49 SEC W 115 FT, S 28 DEG 27 MIN 11 SEC E 241 FT, S 01 DEG 04 MIN 14 SEC E 12.50 FT, N 88 DEG 55 MIN 46 S SEC E 132.06 FT TO A POINT OF CURVE, THENCE SW/LY ALONG CURV CURVE FOR AN ARC DISTANCE OF 41.83 FT TO BEGIN AND RUN ALON ALONG SAID CURVE FOR AN ARC DISTANCE OF 41.02 FT, S 56 DEG 13 MIN 11 SEC W 155.99 FT, S 20 DEG 39 MIN 57 SEC E 514.80 FT, N 72 DEG 04 MIN 36 SEC E 175 FT, N 18 DEG 50 MIN 51 SEC W 562.43 FT TO THE POB. OR 333 P 1; IN SECT. 4-1S-4W.

PARCEL ID NUMBER: 6-04-1S-4W-0000-00323-0100

Name in which assessed: Ethel C Whitehead, Densyl W Fletcher and Suzanne W Holley

Said Property being in the County of Gadsden, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the courthouse door on the 4th Day of August, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.

Dated this 28th Day of April, 2021
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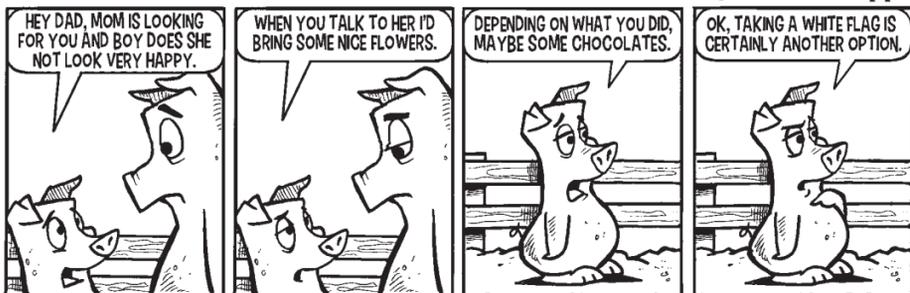
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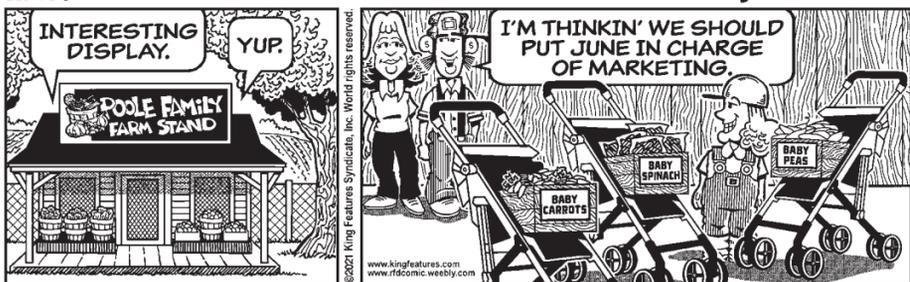
Out on a Limb

by Gary Kopervas



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by Mike Marland



The Spats

by Jeff Pickering



TIGER

by BUD BLAKE



POPEYE



King Crossword

ACROSS

- Billboards
- Competent
- Pretzel topper
- Fib
- Work hard
- Spiced tea
- In toto
- Frees (of)
- Bug barrier
- "Gosh!"
- Reply (Abbr.)
- Also
- "It's a Wonderful Life" director
- French director
- "-haw!" (rodeo cry)
- "Hi, sailor!"
- Follower (Suff.)
- Nota -
- Airline to Sweden
- "Today" rival, briefly
- Fragrant wood
- Typically
- X-ray's cousin
- de-France
- Oregon city
- Apple computer
- Prescription phrase
- Opulent
- Attic buildup
- Historic time
- Needing liniment
- Pro votes
- de plume
- Sashimi fish
- Young bloke
- Frank McCourt memoir
- Tired
- Language suffix
- Kept tabs on
- Sultry Horne
- Ogler's look
- Juan's home
- Cries of discovery
- Stance
- G8 member
- "Let's do this!"
- Ecru
- Solidify
- Vinegar bottles
- French spa town
- High-IQ group
- Idyllic place
- Sleuth Wolfe
- Dutch cheese
- Lyricist Gershwin
- Karaoke prop, for short
- Koeln cry
- Take to court

DOWN

- "Sad to say ..."
- Platter
- Char
- Goddess of wisdom
- Benefits
- Dogpatch adjective
- Graceful
- Threaded hardware
- 9 Sashimi fish
- 10 Young bloke
- 11 Frank McCourt memoir
- 16 Tired
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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging ♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

- TELEVISION: What were the names of the six children on "The Brady Bunch"?
- GEOGRAPHY: Which of the Earth's oceans is the smallest?
- GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What is the lowest rank in the U.S. Air Force?
- LANGUAGE: What is the American version of the British plimsolls?
- LITERATURE: Which one of Shakespeare's plays is the longest?
- MEASUREMENTS: What time period is a decennial?
- MOVIES: Which actor played himself in the movie "Zombieland"?
- ANIMAL KINGDOM: How many eyes does a bee have?
- ANATOMY: What are rasceta?
- U.S. PRESIDENTS: Which 20th-century president's Secret Service code name was Timberwolf?

Just Like Cats & Dogs



Puzzle Solutions on Page 17

LAFF-A-DAY



SCRAMBLERS

Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

Common

VITRIAL

Cover

CAYPON

Concede

MIESER

Flee

GIRMATE

TODAY'S WORD

"It's a bid for attention. Just _____ him."

CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: C equals L

FCBHW TFICCO CHXFP JHW WZFX
WAMZ. OAS'BF JFITP JHW MIEASW
ZSVF "CABF EFIZ ZFVPFT."

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CryptoQuote

AXYDLBAAXR is LONGFELLOW

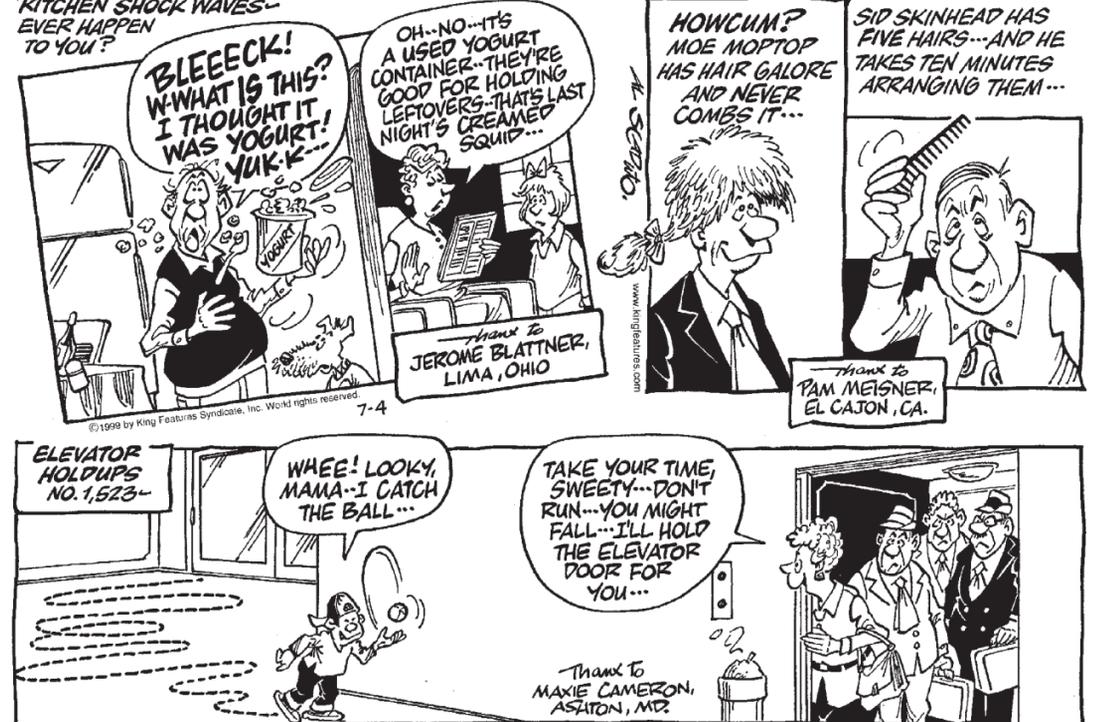
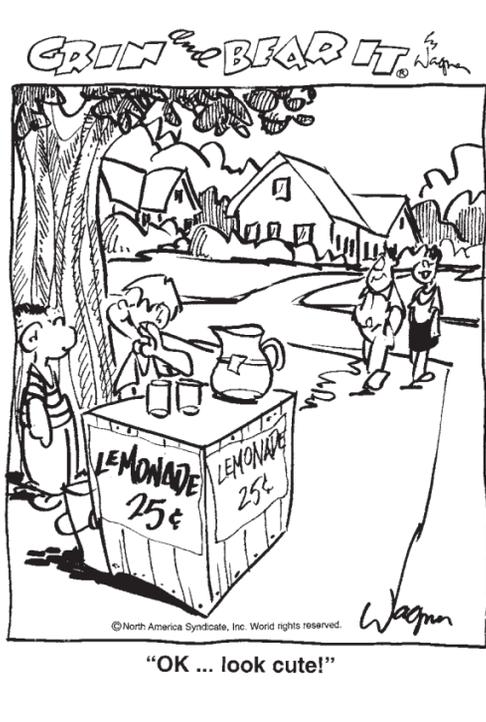
One letter stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each week the code letters are different.

QMZ LAALIDQZ LP OLTURFZ DJ
LTU ILODZQS DI JLQ OLHRUCDOZ,
DQ DI OLJPLUEDQS.
— ULXXL ERS

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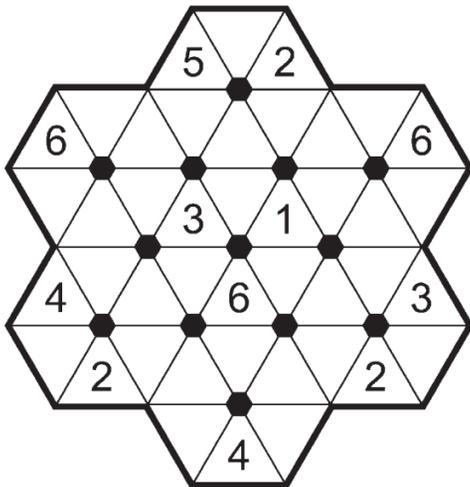
BY AL SCADUTO



SNOWFLAKES

by Japheth Light

There are 13 black hexagons in the puzzle. Place the numbers 1 - 6 around each of them. No number can be repeated in any partial hexagon shape along the border of the puzzle.



DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆

◆ Easy ◆◆ Medium ◆◆◆ Difficult

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MAGIC MAZE ● DIAMOND

J J G D Z W T Q N K H P D A X
 U R P M J G D A X V S A Q N M
 K I F D A X V T Q O M S G I J
 H F C A J Y W U R P N T N L J
 H F D B Z U X V T R Q E I O M
 K I T H T F B M D B C L D Z Y
 W V T S F R R I Q K O E D N L
 K G U I A H O J L F D C E D C
 A D N Z H O O A X E W A W V U
 S R Q I S O C U T T E R E A N
 H G U O R E H T N I M B K H S

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally
 Unlisted clue hint: DIAMOND — BRADY
 Bracelet Dust Mine Saw
 Brooch Head Necklace Shaft
 Coast In the rough Paste Wedding
 Cutter Jubilee Ring

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HERE IS A PLEASANT LITTLE GAME that will give you a message every day. It's a numerical puzzle designed to spell out your fortune. Count the letters in your first name. If the number of letters is 6 or more, subtract 4. If the number is less than 6, add 3. The result is your key number. Start at the upper left-hand corner and check one of your key numbers, left to right. Then read the message the letters under the checked figures give you.

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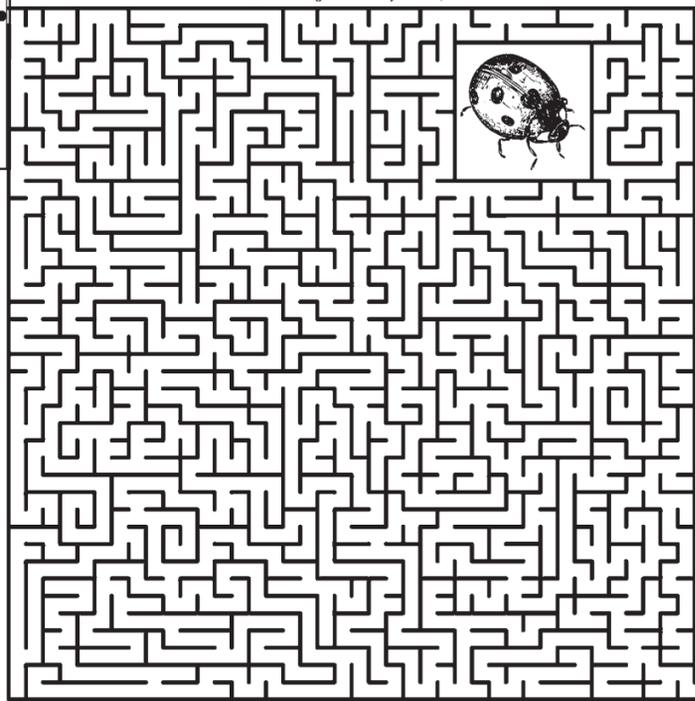
Newspapers In Education

The Gadsden County Times

currently distributes nearly 300 copies of the newspaper to area schools every week to teachers who request it for use in their classrooms to create interesting, and innovative curriculum to enhance learning. Teachers receive The Times at no cost thanks to the support of the community and local sponsors.

Mega Maze

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SOLUTIONS ON PAGE 17

Kids' Maze

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GO FIGURE!

by Linda Thistle

The idea of Go Figure is to arrive at the figures given at the bottom and right-hand columns of the diagram by following the arithmetic signs in the order they are given (that is, from left to right and top to bottom). Use only the numbers below the diagram to complete its blank squares and use each of the nine numbers only once.

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DIFFICULTY: ★

★ Moderate ★★ Difficult
 ★★★ GO FIGURE!

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Conceptis Hitori

Each puzzle consists of a square grid with numbers appearing in all squares. The object is to shade squares so:

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| 2 | 4 | 5 | 1 | 6 | 6 |
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| 6 | 3 | 5 | 5 | 2 | 6 |

- No number appears in a row or column more than once.
- Shaded (black) squares do not touch each other vertically or horizontally.
- When completed, all un-shaded (white) squares create a single continuous area.

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Puzzles4Kids

by Helene Hovanec

CODED RIDDLE

Change each letter to the one that comes immediately BEFORE it in the alphabet to find a riddle and its answer.

Here's a copy of the alphabet to guide you:

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ

XIBU JT UIF MPOHFTU XPSE JO

UIF XPSME?

SVCCFS, CFDBVTF JU TUSFUDIFT.

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Even Exchange

by Donna Pettman

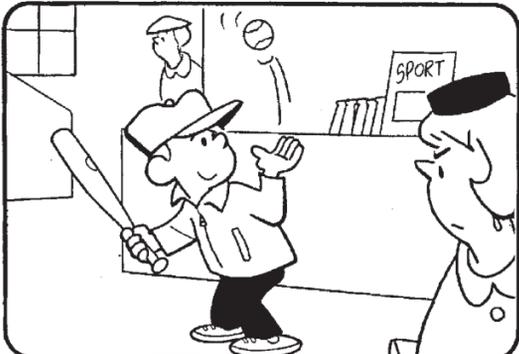
Each numbered row contains two clues and two 6-letter answers. The two answers differ from each other by only one letter, which has already been inserted. For example, if you exchange the A from MASTER for an I, you get MISTER. Do not change the order of the letters.

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|------------------------|-----------|---------------------|-----------|
| 1. Georgia's fruit | ___ A ___ | Roost, like a bird | ___ R ___ |
| 2. Petroleum rating | ___ N ___ | Eight musical notes | ___ V ___ |
| 3. Oak fruit | A ___ | Contempt | S ___ |
| 4. Haircutter | ___ A ___ | Carpet style | ___ E ___ |
| 5. Thing learned | ___ O ___ | Diminish | ___ E ___ |
| 6. Actress Field | ___ A ___ | Inane | ___ I ___ |
| 7. Young nest resident | ___ I ___ | Chess move | ___ E ___ |
| 8. He asked for "more" | O ___ | Tiny wood fragment | S ___ |
| 9. Turn away | ___ V ___ | Watchful | ___ L ___ |
| 10. Narrative | ___ P ___ | Vacation spot | ___ S ___ |

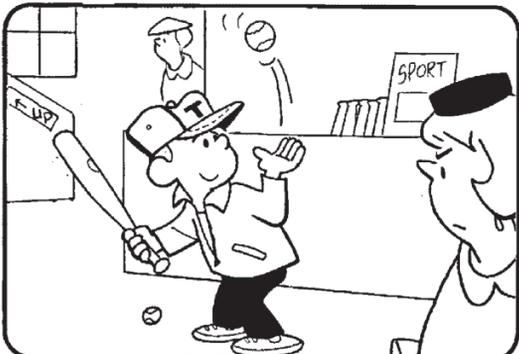
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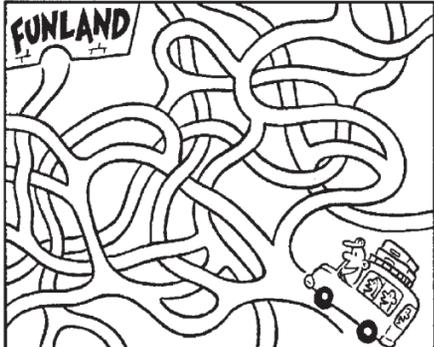
BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Jacket is unzipped. 2. Cap is different. 3. Sign is added. 4. Button is removed. 5. Pocket is different. 6. Ball is added.



A-MAZE-ING! See if you can find the route to Funland before it gets dark.

THREE FOR A DOLLAR! To win, you must knock three bottles off the shelves. But there's a catch: The numbers on these bottles must total 50.

SECRET AGENT! Since our friends used a travel agent in setting up their trip, we're going to honor the profession with a word square puzzle. The diagram at right has the word AGENT already inserted. You need to find four more five-letter words so that all words used read the same both across and down.

- Serious play.
- Characteristic of a king.
- One that acts for another (AGENT, in place).
- A minister's house.
- Change.

Junior Whirl

by Charles Barry Townsend



VACATION FUN! Our friends have arrived at their destination and can't wait to visit Funland. You can join in by identifying the FUN-filled words listed.

- FUN

- Depressed mood.
- A fly ball for fielding practice.
- The animals of a certain region.
- Fail a test.
- Show off.
- Able to write or speak easily.
- Great wealth.
- Where metal is melted.

Time limit: 60 seconds.

1. Funk. 2. Fungo. 3. Fauna. 4. Funk. 5. Flaut. 6. Fluent. 7. Fortune. 8. Foundry.



Illustrated by David Coulson

Gadsden County, Florida

BY: _____
Ann Marie Presnell, Deputy Clerk
4t: 6/3, 6/10, 6/17, 6/24**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, Arduster House Jr, 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: 8 YEAR OF ISSUANCE: 2014

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: OR 169 P 254 BEGIN AT A PT ON E SIDE OF A GRADED ROAD, SAID POINT BEING 1352.16 FT N AND 557.33 FT E OF SWC OF E 1/2 OF LOT 2, RUN S 85 DEG 58 MIN E 159 FT., S 29 DEG 44 MIN W ALONG A FENCE LINE 417.56 FT., N 07 DEG 23 MIN E ON E/LY SIDE OF A GRADED ROAD 376.88 FT TO POB. IN SECTION 35-4N-4W.

PARCEL ID NUMBER: 1-35-4N-4W-0000-00313-0500

Name in which assessed: Almos House and Teretha G House C/O Arduster House Jr

Said Property being in the County of Gadsden, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the courthouse door on the 4th Day of August, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.

Dated this 22nd Day of January, 2021

NICHOLAS THOMAS
Clerk of the Circuit Court
Gadsden County, FloridaBY: _____
Glenda McPherson, Deputy Clerk
4t: 6/3, 6/10, 6/17, 6/24**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, Gene Opheim, 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: 53 YEAR OF ISSUANCE: 2018

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: DB VVV, P. 514 TRACT 7, TORREYA HTS., LESS 10 FT. OFF E. SIDE

PARCEL ID NUMBER: 1-33-4N-6W-0020-00000-2462

Name in which assessed: Estate of F. D. Bailey, Temple C. Bailey, Rebecca N. Bailey

Said Property being in the County of Gadsden, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the courthouse door on the 4th Day of August, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.

Dated this 6th Day of January, 2021

NICHOLAS THOMAS
Clerk of the Circuit Court
Gadsden County, FloridaBY: _____
Glenda McPherson, Deputy Clerk
4t: 6/3, 6/10, 6/17, 6/24**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, Gene Opheim, 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: 171 YEAR OF ISSUANCE: 2018

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: OR 872 P 569 OR 871 P 1929 OR 838 P 1478 OR 655 P 1442 OR 515 P 1060 LOT 6, BLOCK B, FOREST HILLS. OR 355 P 492. OR 367 P 63 OR 407 P 563 OR 409 P 449 LESS PART PER OR 411 P 1542.

PARCEL ID NUMBER: 2-08-3N-2W-0153-0000B-0060

Name in which assessed: John Eric Neely

Said Property being in the County of Gadsden, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the courthouse door on the 4th Day of August, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.

Dated this 13th Day of January, 2021

NICHOLAS THOMAS
Clerk of the Circuit Court
Gadsden County, FloridaBY: _____
Glenda McPherson, Deputy Clerk
4t: 6/3, 6/10, 6/17, 6/24**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, Gene Opheim, 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: 448 YEAR OF ISSUANCE: 2018

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: OR 518 P 682 OR 365 P 333 LOT 7, DOGTOWN ACRES RECORDED SUBDV., PER PLAT BOOK 2 P 47.

PARCEL ID NUMBER: 2-03-3N-3W-0335-00000-0070

Name in which assessed: Earnest Cloud

Said Property being in the County of Gadsden, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the courthouse door on the 4th Day of August, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.

Dated this 13th Day of January, 2021

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Clerk of the Circuit Court
Gadsden County, FloridaBY: _____
Glenda McPherson, Deputy Clerk
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, Gene Opheim, 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: 984 YEAR OF ISSUANCE: 2015

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: OR 754 P 1436 LOTS 20 AND 21 IN BLOCK D RODDENBERRY ADDITION. FURTHER DESCR'D AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT THE SEC OF LOT 21 BEING 252 FT FROM THE SEC OF LOT DEEDED C A GRANDING APRIL 20. 1908, AND RUNNING NORTH 164 FT; WEST 190 FT; SOUTH 164 FT; EAST 190 FT TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING

PARCEL ID NUMBER: 2-04-3N-6W-0510-0000D-0200

Name in which assessed: Heirs of W. A. Runkle and Christopher Runkle

Said Property being in the County of Gadsden, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the courthouse door on the 4th Day of August, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.

Dated this 13th Day of January, 2021

NICHOLAS THOMAS
Clerk of the Circuit Court
Gadsden County, FloridaBY: _____
Glenda McPherson, Deputy Clerk
4t: 6/3, 6/10, 6/17, 6/24**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, Gene Opheim, 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: 1295 YEAR OF ISSUANCE: 2017

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: OR 134 P 145 BEGIN AT A PT ON THE E SIDE OF A COUNTY ROAD, SAID PT BEING 49.5 FT E OF SWC OF SECTION 16, RUN S 88 DEG 24 MIN E 240.5 FT., N 1 DEG 36 MIN E 363.7 FT., N 89 DEG W 246 FT TO SAID ROAD, S 0 DEG 44 MIN W ALONG SAID ROAD 361.17 FT TO POB. LESS S1/2 PER OR 241 P 483. IN SECTION 16-2N-3W.

PARCEL ID NUMBER: 3-16-2N-3W-0000-00332-0700

Name in which assessed: Henry Zeigler or the Estate of Henry Zeigler

Said Property being in the County of Gadsden, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the courthouse door on the 4th Day of August, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.

Dated this 13th Day of January, 2021

NICHOLAS THOMAS
Clerk of the Circuit Court
Gadsden County, FloridaBY: _____
Glenda McPherson, Deputy Clerk
4t: 6/3, 6/10, 6/17, 6/24**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, Gene Opheim, 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: 1286 YEAR OF ISSUANCE: 2018

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: BEGIN 60 FT S OF NEC OF LOT 166, ORIGINAL QUINCY, RUN S 60 FT, W 150, N 60 FT & E 150 FT TO POB. OR 367 P 1657 OR 395 P 1917

PARCEL ID NUMBER: 3-07-2N-3W-0730-00000-1661

Name in which assessed: Heirs of Katie Mae Brown c/o Jessie Gilbert

Said Property being in the County of Gadsden, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the courthouse door on the 4th Day of August, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.

Dated this 6th Day of January, 2021

NICHOLAS THOMAS
Clerk of the Circuit Court
Gadsden County, FloridaBY: _____
Glenda McPherson, Deputy Clerk
4t: 6/3, 6/10, 6/17, 6/24**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, Gene Opheim, 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: 2182 YEAR OF ISSUANCE: 2017

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: OR 771 P 1279 OR 579 P 550 OR 564 P 730 COMM AT NEC AND RUN S 89 DEG 09 MIN 49 SEC W 478 FT, S 16 DEG 19 MIN 49 SEC W 674.9 FT, S 22 DEG 11 MIN 49 SEC W 207.53 FT, S 34 DEG 12 MIN 29 SEC E 337.34 FT TO BEGIN. S 34 DEG 12 MIN 29 SEC E 150 FT, S 62 DEG 01 MIN 02 SEC W 150 FT, N 34 DEG 12 MIN 29 SEC W 150 FT, N 62 DEG 01 MIN 02 SEC E 150 FT TO POB. OR 300 P 1290 IN SECT. 2-1N-5W

PARCEL ID NUMBER: 4-02-1N-5W-0000-00114-0800

Name in which assessed: Eric Davis, Aretha Ward, and Brian Ward

Said Property being in the County of Gadsden, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the courthouse door on the 4th Day of August, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.

Dated this 6th Day of January, 2021

NICHOLAS THOMAS
Clerk of the Circuit Court
Gadsden County, Florida

BY: _____

Glenda McPherson, Deputy Clerk

4t: 6/3, 6/10, 6/17, 6/24

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
IN AND FOR GADSDEN COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO. 2021 CA 0341**BETTY J. HOLLOWAN,
Plaintiff,

v.

ESTATE OF RICHARD JORDAN;
ESTATE OF PECOLA JORDAN and
unknown spouses, heirs, devisees,
grantees, creditors, and all other
parties claiming by, through, under,
or against them,
Defendants.

NOTICE OF ACTION

TO: ESTATE OF RICHARD JORDAN; and the ESTATE OF
PECOLA JORDAN, unknown spouses, heirs, devisees, grantees,
creditors, and all other parties claiming by, through, under, or
against them.YOU ARE NOTIFIED that a Complaint for Tax Deed Quiet Title
on the following property
in Gadsden County, Florida:
Gadsden County Parcel ID No. [2-15-3N-4W-0000-00222-1600]

A PARCEL OF LAND LYING IN THE NORTH ONE-HALF OF THE NORTHWEST ONE-QUARTER OF THE NORTHWEST ONE-QUARTER OF SECTION 15, TOWNSHIP-3-NORTH, RANGE-4-WEST, GADSDEN COUNTY, FLORIDA, BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED BY METES AND BOUNDS AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCE AT A FOUND IRON PIPE (3/4) INCH MARKING THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF LANDS AS DESCRIBED IN OFFICAL RECORDS BOOK 172, PAGE 41 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF SAID COUNTY, AND RUN; THENCE WEST 153.68 FEET TO A CONCRETE MONUMENT (RLS #3031) FOR THE POINT OF BEGINNING. FROM SAID POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE CONTINUE WEST 144.60 TO A CONCRETE MONUMENT (RLS #3031) ON THE EASTERLY RIGHT-OF WAY BOUNDARY OF ROD SHAW ROAD; THENCE NORTH 02 DEGREES 36 MINUTES 49 SECONDS EAST ALONG SAID RIGHT-OF WAY BOUNDARY A DISTANCE OF 196.20 FEET TO A CONCRETE MONUMENT (RLS #3031) ON THE SOUTHERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY BOUNDARY OF A 25.00 FOOT ROAD KNOWN AS JORDAN ROAD; THENCE EAST ALONG SAID SOUTHERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY BOUNDARY A DISTANCE OF 136.65 FEET TO A CONCRETE MONUMENT (RLS #3031), THENCE SOUTH 196.00 FOOT TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

has been filed against you and others, and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on FRANK S. SHAW IV, ESQUIRE, SMITH, THOMPSON, SHAW, COLÓN & POWER, P.A., Plaintiff's attorneys, 3520 Thomasville Road, Fourth Floor, Tallahassee, Florida 32309-3469, no more than thirty (30) days from the first publication date of this Notice of Action, and file the original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorneys or immediately thereafter; otherwise, a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint or petition.

DATED this 25 DAY OF June, 2021.

(Seal)

Nicholas Thomas - Clerk of the Circuit
By: Pam Carter
Deputy Clerk
Gadsden County Courthouse
10 E Jefferson Street
Quincy, FL 32351
4t: 6/3,6/10,6/17,6/24**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
IN AND FOR GADSDEN COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 20-CA-000589**CARRINGTON MORTGAGE SERVICES, LLC,
Plaintiff,

vs,

NANCY L. BROWN; et al
Defendants.**NOTICE OF SALE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, pursuant to the Final Summary Judgment of Foreclosure entered on May 13, 2021, in the above-captioned action, the following property situated in Gadsden County, Florida, described as:

LOT 9, SUMPTER RIDGE SUBDIVISION, AS PER MAP OR PLAT THEREOF RECORDED AT PLAT BOOK 2, PAGE 90 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF GADSDEN COUNTY, FLORIDA, TOGETHER WITH THAT CERTAIN MANUFACTURED HOME, SERIAL NO. FLHML3N177326748A/B THAT IS PERMANENTLY AFFIXED TO THE PREMISES.

Property Address: 190 Sumpter Ridge Road, Midway, FL 32343. (the "Property")

Shall be sold by the Clerk of Court on the 5th day of August, 2021, in person, beginning at 11:00am (EST), at the Gadsden County Courthouse, South Door, 10 E. Jefferson St., Quincy, Florida 32351, to the highest bidder, for cash, after giving notice as required by section 45.031, Florida Statutes.

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim before the clerk reports the surplus as unclaimed. The Court, in its discretion, may enlarge the time of the sale. Notice of the changed time of sale shall be published as provided herein. If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in a court proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the Office of Court Administration at (850) 577-4401, or at the Leon County Courthouse, Room 225, 301 S. Monroe Street, Tallahassee, FL 32301 within 2 working days of receipt of a notice compelling you to appear at a court proceeding; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711. The ADA Coordinator for the courts in Leon County is Doug Smith. He may be reached at (850) 577-4444 or through the Florida Relay Service, TDD at 1-800-955-8771. The address for the Office of Court Administration is: Leon County Courthouse, 301 S. Monroe Street, Room 225, Tallahassee, FL 32301. In all other counties in the circuit please contact the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office and ask for the ADA Coordinator. The Clerk's number is included on each county page.

WITNESS my hand and seal of this court on May 18, 2021.

NICHOLAS THOMAS

Clerk of the Circuit Court

Pam Carter

CLERK

Deputy Clerk

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Nancy L. Brown, 190 Sumpter Rd., Midway, FL 32343

Bowles Roofing Company c/o Donald G. Bowles, Jr., RA, 5891 SE 78th Street, Ocala, FL 34472

2t: 6/3, 6/10

COMMUNITY NEWS

Quincy author publishes devotional Bible study book

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editor@gadsdencountynews.com

A Quincy author, pastor, and founder of a local ministry recently published a Christian devotional and study book.

Laura J. Wells-Linton hopes that her newly published book, *Trees of Righteousness: Living and Lasting Evidence of God*, will offer life-changing lessons that will motivate readers to face their fears, overcome adversity and walk with the Lord.

“For years, my heart has had a deep desire to write Bible studies that would make a difference in people’s lives - providing them an avenue for discovery of life-changing truths,” says Wells-Linton. “I have experienced hopelessness replaced with hope, mourning replaced with comfort, joy for my grief,

and encouragement for despair. I want others to experience the same!”

Trees of Righteousness: Living and Lasting Evidence of God was published by WestBow Press, a division of the Thomas Nelson and Zondervan publishing company.

Wells-Linton’s studybook offers Biblically-based lessons that the author hopes will motivate readers to cultivate a deeper walk with the Lord.

The book encourages the reader to read scripture and respond to questions that will aim to provide insight into well-known Biblical stories, spiritual scenarios, and the reader’s own life.

“We are currently in an unprecedented time of uncertainty. Hopelessness, fear, depression, and discontent are rampant. We need hope and



encouragement! We need light to shine into our lives and displace our darkness! Jesus, the very Living Word of God, is that Light!” Wells-Linton says. “In this book, I present the Word of God in a manner that would cause people to encounter Jesus personally. Readers will know and experience His love, His power, His peace...His very presence.”

According to Wells-

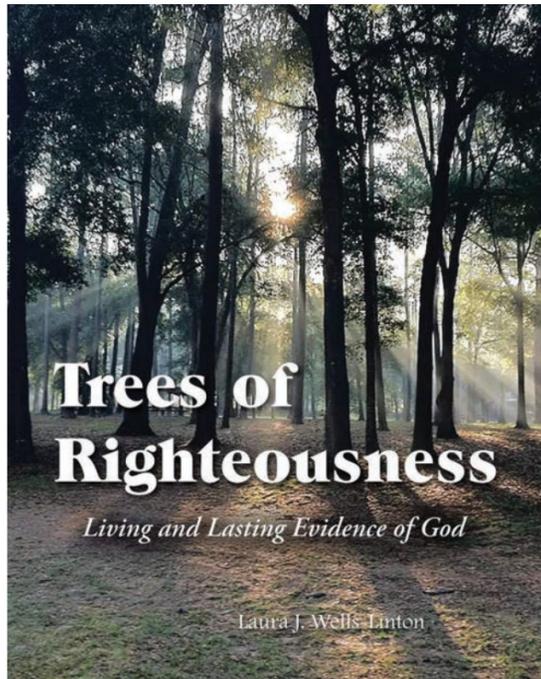
Linton, this study is intentionally written for readers to deepen their relationship with Jesus Christ, gain a fresh understanding of who they are in Him, and discover the incredible resources available through Him.

Wells-Linton is the cofounder of the Quincy-based ChristTown Ministries, Inc., a ministry that she founded with her late husband, Pastor Bob Wells, in 2002.

ChristTown Ministries serves men in the Big Bend community by helping them overcome addictions and teaching Christ-centered living.

Since her husband, Bob moved to heaven in 2016, Wells-Linton has been serving as ChristTown’s pastor and director.

Trees of Righteousness: Living and Lasting Evidence of God is available from Amazon



Trees of Righteousness: Living and Lasting Evidence of God

and Barnes & Noble’s online stores.

Midway councilwoman graduates from Leadership Academy course

Gadsden County Times
Mail@gadsdencountytimes.com

The City of Midway announced today that Councilwoman NanDrycka King Albert, District 3, recently graduated from the Leadership Academy, a course from the Florida League of Cities’ Institute for Elected Municipal Officials, a premier educational program designed specifically for Florida’s elected municipal officials.

Midway’s Councilwoman NanDrycka King Albert’s driving force, she says, is a quote by Maya Angelou: “Nothing will work unless you do.”

The Leadership Academy course is the third level of training offered through the League’s Institute for

Elected Municipal Officials program.

Developed in 2013, it focuses entirely on leadership and is reserved for those municipal officials who have successfully completed the program’s first two courses.

The two-day course was facilitated by Scott Paine, Ph.D., Florida League of Cities director of leadership development and education.

It revolved around an assessment that details



CITY OF MIDWAY COUNCILWOMAN NANDRYCKA KING ALBERT

participants’ ability to connect and work effectively with others.

Class participants took an assessment ahead of the class to assess their skill sets. During the course, attendees learn their scores, interpret the characteristics of each component and learn how to apply this information through case studies.

Because of the course’s collaborative environment in which challenges

officials on the intricacies of municipal government in a

cost-effective manner, the Institute for Elected Municipal Officials program grew out of a partnership between the Florida League of Cities and the John Scott Dailey Florida Institute of Government.

Today, the Institute for Elected Municipal Officials offers multiple levels of training, with each designed specifically for municipal officials of

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On Saturday, June 12, 2021 for the 40th Annual Meeting

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and best practices are shared, graduates were given access to new “tools” for addressing leadership challenges and finding solutions to local problems.

“Communities aren’t static, and neither is municipal government. They’re constantly moving, changing and growing, which means our local leaders must do the same,” said Florida League of Cities President Tony Ortiz, commissioner for the City of Orlando. “I applaud this class of graduates for taking the initiative to do just that by participating and successfully completing the League’s Leadership Academy I. It’s because of dedicated local leaders like them that we’re building stronger cities day by day.”

Created 30 years ago to educate newly elected

Tourist Development Council Meeting Notice

The Gadsden County Tourist Development Council (TDC) will hold a Budget Workshop on Monday, June 7, 2021, at 4 p.m. in the Gadsden County Board of County Commissioners Meeting Chambers 9 B East Jefferson Street, Quincy, Florida 32351

Due to the restrictions on gatherings resulting from the COVID-19 virus, this meeting may be viewed by accessing the Gadsden County Board of County Commissioners Facebook Page, [facebook.com/GadsdenCountyBOCC](https://www.facebook.com/GadsdenCountyBOCC). Virtual meeting access details will be posted to the Gadsden County website, [gadsdencountyfl.gov](https://www.gadsdencountyfl.gov).

Anyone wishing to speak on agenda items or non-agenda items should schedule or notify the Public Information Office before attending the meeting and will be asked to follow the Gadsden County Public Meetings Citizens Access Guidelines. Public comment for Commission meetings can be submitted via email to CitizensToBeHeard@gadsdencountyfl.gov until noon on June 7, 2021. Comments submitted after the deadline but before the meeting will be added to the official record, but the TDC cannot guarantee that Members and staff will have adequate time to review comments before the meeting.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing assistance in obtaining any information from the County or virtually attending the public meeting should contact the Gadsden County Public Information by calling 850-875-8671 or emailing media@gadsdencountyfl.gov at least 2 hours before the meeting.

If a person decides to appeal any decision by the Tourist Development Council with respect to any matter considered at such public meeting. In that case, he/she will need a record of the proceedings, and for such purpose, he/she may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes testimony and evidence to which the appeal is to be heard.

Puzzles4Kids Answer

What is the longest word in the world?
Rubber, because it stretches.

Go Figure!
answers

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SCRAMBLERS
solution

1. Trivial 2. Canopy;
3. Remise; 4. Migrate

Today's Word
IGNORE

CryptoQuip
answer

Elvis really liked his steak soft. You've heard his famous tune "Love Meat Tender."

CryptoQuote
answer

The opposite of courage in our society is not cowardice, it is conformity.
- Rollo May

PUZZLE SOLUTIONS FROM PAGES 8 & 9

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answer

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King Crossword - Answers
Solution time: 26 mins.

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Even Exchange
answers

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| 1. Peach, Perch | 6. Sally, Silly |
| 2. Octane, Octave | 7. Chick, Check |
| 3. Acorn, Scorn | 8. Oliver, Sliver |
| 4. Barber, Berber | 9. Avert, Alert |
| 5. Lesson, Lessen | 10. Report, Resort |

Mega Maze
Solution

DIAMOND

SNOWFLAKES
solution

TRIVIA

- Greg, Marcia, Peter, Jan, Bobby and Cindy
- Arctic
- Airman basic
- Sneakers
- "Hamlet"
- 10 years
- Bill Murray
- Five
- Deep creases at your wrists
- George Herbert Walker Bush

Weekly SUDOKU
Answer

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Derrick's Custom Car and Bike Show brings the community together with annual event

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The residents of Gadsden County recently gathered for a day of family fun, food and entertainment at Derrick's Custom Car and Bike Show, which was held at Quincy's Business Park on May 16.

The event lasted from noon until 8 p.m.

A plethora of businesses were showcased, from food and drink items to clothing and accessories.

Many of the business owners practiced social distancing and enforced masks within the designated pop-up shopping areas.

The vendors occupied one side of the park, while the stage and custom show lured visitors on the other side.

A significant number of vendors expressed their gratitude for being involved with this community event.

Henry White, owner of Joe Joe's Daiquiris, said that it was a blessing to be able to operate amid the many unforeseen changes COVID-19 brought for small business owners.

"I didn't make as much as I thought I would, but I did make something," said White. "It's a great thing when you're working with good people because although we purchased vendor spaces last year, we were able to come back and be a part of everything this year."

The Gadsden County Health Department set up camp next to the entry line to advertise and distribute COVID-19 vaccines; according to the Facebook page for the event, 200 vaccines were available to the public.

Security and police officers assisted during the entire duration of the show.

Social media promotion and physical visual aids were implemented throughout Joe Adams route to help drivers traveling from all over.

Custom shops and vehicle owners popped open their doors, conducted some external cleaning and acclimated their custom rides to their designated placement for the show.

Kids dancing to the many sources of music from each car, while capturing moments with smartphones and video cameras.

Many of the vehicle owners interacted with the children and adults by sharing information about the

customization of the car, giving them front-row accessibility.

Chris Baker, the owner of a car in the show, described the day's atmosphere as one that 'fosters a healthy and safe environment for everyone in the community.'

"Today's event promotes a family environment with non-violent relations," said Baker. "It is very positive for men and their children to relate and it also brings the community together to have somewhere outside of the club to gather and express themselves."

Derrick Butler, the founder of Derick's Custom Car and Bike Show, has been putting on this custom car show for over 19 years.

"This event is enormous for the community. I came up with this idea many years ago and it was mainly to bring the businesses and community together to enjoy each other. All of the businesses in town are making money and everyone is having fun, it's just a great impact for the community. The people are having a good time and that is why we're all here," said Butler.

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Alice L Akery*



*Happy Heavenly
69th Birthday*

We Love you & miss you!

From Children & Grandchildren....



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Chris Baker (pictured) is the owner of one of the cars that was on display during the car show in Quincy, on May 16. Baker described the annual event as one that brought people together, and gives an outlet for youth to interact with positive male figures in the community.



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