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## Quincy police report retrieving gun, drugs, and cash from traffic stop



David Smith

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Guns and drugs were retrieved from a suspect, the Quincy Police Department reports, after a traffic stop that took place on Tuesday, June 8, at about 1 p.m.

According to the police department, officers conducted a traffic stop on a small, maroon vehicle after officers witnessed a



PHOTOS: QPD

The Quincy Police Department reports retrieving an illegally-owned firearm, drugs, and cash from a traffic stop that officers conducted on Tuesday, June 8.

traffic violation from the driver and vehicle.

The Quincy Police Department says the traffic stop took place at the 1100 block of West Jefferson Street.

According to the police, the driver of the vehicle was 38-year-old David Smith, and when officers stepped up to Smith's window, they spotted Smith holding

his hand against his gun. The police report says that the gun was clearly visible to the officers.

In addition, police

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## Quincy Solar Array project moves to construction phase

*Commissioners express concerns that project may cause rising utility rates*

**Erin Hill**

Gadsden County News Service

During a recent meeting of the Quincy City Commission, the commission voted to approve a resolution and agreement relating to a loan and grant from the Florida Department of Environmental Protection for the city's Solar Array Project.

The project was initially approved so the city could generate its own solar energy, which the city believed would lower electrical rates for city residents.

Now, some commissioners are concerned the project may instead cause rates to increase.

On November 20, 2018, the city commission approved Resolution 1383-2018, which approved a loan from The Department of Environmental Protection for the planning activities of the Solar Array Project.

On July 28, 2020, the commission approved Resolution 1408-2020 which approved a loan from the Department of Environmental Protection for the design activities of the solar array project.

Pursuant to the agreement, the city received grant funds in the amount of \$224,097 in the fiscal year that ended September 30, 2020.

On May 18, 2021, after review of the city's continued viability and progress, the department has requested that the city enter into an agreement between the city and the department, to the resolution, to provide for the construction of the solar array project.

The city's Finance Director Maria Carty said that this will be the final step to proceed with the construction of the solar project.

The construction period will take six to eight months.

Carty said the planning and design portion of the project have been completed, which combined cost the city about \$25,000.

While providing background information on the resolution, Carty said the city will end up spending about \$3.5 million, which includes \$715,00 in loans.

"Loan" to me means we have to pay it back," Commissioner Keith Dowdell commented.

Dowdell asked Carty how much will the city have to pay back, and where will the money to pay the loan back come from.

Carty said there is a loan financing fee of \$71,537, which means the city will have to pay back at least \$786,911.

City Manager Jack McClean said the \$786,911 will be paid back out of the wastewater plant revenues; McClean added that the city's wastewater plant is solar operated.

According to McClean the city will be able to save money by purchasing energy at a cheaper rate.

"So, you're asking us to approve this tonight and it's going to cost us for the next 20 years?" Dowdell Said. McClean said that the project has been an ongoing process and that the commission approved the grant application for the loan for about \$3 million.

"You then approved after that, basically the loan forgiveness because we brought in a particular company to come in and satisfy the consent order that we had," McClean said.

"What you're approving now is a change in the resolution because they wanted to identify, it started because they wanted to make sure - because the loan that was taken out in terms of Hurricane Michael to pay those lenders - that was not disclosed to the department during their process, but we did bring it

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## Born 2 Be A Man celebrates positive male mentors in Gadsden County

**Oriana Plummer**

Gadsden County News Service

With community violence on the rise, some of the residents of Gadsden County are combating negative narratives with a day dedicated to the simple joys of childhood.

Born 2 Be A Man Inc. kicked off the summer with an inaugural Community Fun Day on June 6.

The mentoring program invited kids and parents to enjoy a day full of positive community involvement, including water balloon fights, kickball and softball games, and food, while the organization also celebrated a scholarship giveaway.

The day began with founder and president of Born 2 Be A Man Inc., Russel Harrison Sr., awarding four local young men with scholarships from the organization.

Three of the recipients of the Roosevelt Harrison Sr. Stepping Into Manhood Scholarship were graduates, as well as members of the mentoring program.



Photo by Oriana Plummer

Russell Harrison Sr. (pictured third from left) and three of the graduates from this year's Born 2 Be A Man mentorship program. The three graduates were also scholarship recipients. Pictured with Harrison is Xavier Gray, PJ Dickey, and De'Antonio Williams.

Harrison's purpose for the Born 2 Be A Man program is to give local men a place to be actively involved with training, building and promoting other young men - all which Harrison believes will create a more positive Gadsden County and build local boys into visionary leaders who will bring the community together.

Born 2 Man Inc. provides the young men in their organization with an opportunity to learn how to navigate life as a man of society.

Throughout the year, the program has conducted fundraisers and other community events by partnering with other notable businesses in Gadsden County.

Harrison says he gained inspiration for the June 6 family fun day after noticing the lack of opportunities for local youth to engage in outdoor activities.

"These are things I really enjoy doing with my youth. It keeps them active and keeps my knees working. A lot of our youth may know

what kickball is, but don't really know how to play," said Harrison. "I strive to keep teaching them how to stay young, but also different ways on how to become young men."

Parents, family and friends all gathered to watch the children play kickball.

The kids ranged from ages five to 18.

"We're here celebrating the program's mentors, they graduated and the organization rewarded some with scholarships. The event unites the Quincy and Tallahassee organizations. It's great for the kids to see a familiar face to connect with when they're in these small communities," said Shaniqua Jones, who is a parent to one of the boys in the program.

Representatives from Gadsden County's Sheriff's Office were there supporting their community, with Gadsden Sheriff's Office Lieutenant Bill Buckhalt and son, Deylan Buckhalt, manning the

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## Quincy man sentenced to 30 years in federal prison

12 other Gadsden suspects arrested, sentenced in drug trafficking, dog fighting ring

**By Ashley Hunter**  
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The United States Department of Justice says that a Quincy man has been sentenced to 30 years in a federal prison after being accused and convicted of being a 'ringleader' in drug trafficking and dog fighting.

According to Jason R. Coody, the department's acting United States Attorney for the Northern District of Florida, Jermaine Hadley, age 32, of Quincy, was sentenced to 30 years in federal prison on Friday, June 4.

The department of justice says that Hadley headed a drug trafficking organization that was affiliated with a violent gang in the Gadsden County area; that gang, the department adds, was responsible for the distribution of over 50 kilograms

of methamphetamine, over 15 kilograms cocaine, MDMA, and the possession of illegal firearms, in addition to facilitating a large scale dogfighting ring throughout the north-central Florida Panhandle between 2018 and 2019.

The department of justice lists over 20 other defendants who were arrested or have already been arrested as a part of the investigation into the trafficking and dog fighting ring - many of whom hail from the Gadsden County area.

According to the United States Department of Justice, Hadley led a drug trafficking organization that was supplied by multiple sources in Georgia, Louisiana, and Texas, from which he and his associates distributed narcotics throughout North Florida.

The department of justice reports that Hadley's narcotics distribution network involved members of the Gadsden County "424" criminal street gang.

In addition, Hadley and his associates coordinated and conducted numerous dogfighting matches where the animals were often made to fight to the death, as participants paid to watch and gamble on the outcomes; as a part of the investigation, the department of justice was able to rescue over 100 fighting dogs from the crime ring.

The department of justice reports that several parcels of property in the Gadsden County area were used to facilitate the criminal activities of the organization, and

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# Community Calendar

# JUNE

Want to see your event listed in The Gadsden County Times Community Calendar? Send information regarding your event to the Times Editor at editor@gadsdencountytimes.com or call (850) 627-7649.

## Gadsden Library's Summer Reading Program

• June 14 - August 6

The Gadsden County Public Library System will be filling the 2021 Summer Reading Program with lots of fun activities, prizes, and awards. With support from the Friends of the Gadsden County Public Library System, this year's summer reading program will have raffles,

activity packs and crafts, online events, online reading logs, the chance to earn prizes, and fun activities for every reading level.

Contact: (850) 627-7106

## Hardware Hut 10 year celebration

• Friday, June 18  
• 10 a.m.  
• 19 Jefferson Street, Chattahoochee

Hardware Hut will be celebrating 10 years of business with a new ribbon cutting ceremony and meet-and-mingle at the hardware store. Light refreshments will be available.

## Barbeque plate fundraiser

• Friday, June 18  
• 11 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.  
• 316 West Washington Street, Chattahoochee

Chattahoochee Main Street will be raising funds for the organization with a barbeque plate lunch fundraiser. Each \$7 plate will include a generous helping of pulled pork, baked beans, chips, and a dessert; drinks are available for an additional \$1. Ticket sales began on June 1, and will continue to be sold until the day-of.

Buy a ticket: visit Chattahoochee Main Street at 316 West Washington Street, or call (850) 663-2323

## Storybook Village - Pueblito de Cuentos

• Saturday, June 19  
• 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.  
• Wards Lot B - corner of West Washington Street and South Stewart Street

A celebration of Gadsden County's hispanic community and culture will be held through a Storybook Village at Wards Lot B. The day will involve folk dancing from 10:30-11 a.m., and storybook reading times from 11-11:30 am. And 1-1:30 p.m. Door prizes will be given out throughout the day.

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reported that Smith and his passenger had switched places in the car and in response, both individuals were detained.

The police department said that David Smith was found to have a non-valid license that was suspended, as well as an open warrant for his arrest.

When police officers conducted a probable cause search of Smith's vehicle, they reported finding drugs and a large amount of cash.

Smith was arrested for possession of a firearm by a convicted felon, possession of controlled substances with intent to sell within 1,000 feet of a church, possession of a firearm in commission of a felony, and an open "no bond" warrant out of Lee County.

The passenger was cited and released.

"We are working with the community to ebb the drug issues that are in our neighborhoods," says Quincy Interim Chief Robert Mixson, stressing that in order to complete that task, the police department needs assistance from the community. "If you see something, say something."

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to their attention that we had the loan, so this resolution addresses how we're going to make sure we pay off that loan," McLean added.

Carty said the city has already paid off \$1 million of the loan.

"I know every year we have an increase in our water rates to cover other Department of Environmental

Protection loans that we have, my question is are we anticipating increasing those increases?" Commissioner Freida Bass-Prieto asked.

McLean said rates are not projected to increase at this time.

"Those rates get adjusted annually around the budget time, I think it's about two percent," McLean said, adding that the city is regularly budgeting money for the maintenance of the system.

McLean said the city had a study performed that identifies what the city needs to do to maintain the system.

"Then there is the other portion of this, the collection of revenues, it requires us to put liens on people's properties that have not paid, do we do that?" Bass-Prieto asked.

McLean said the city already had the authority to put liens on people who

haven't paid their electric bills, but had not acted on that ability in the past.

According to McLean, all liens must be brought before the commission and approved before being placed on a resident's property.

"See the issue I have is we're signing this saying we'll do all these things, and this loan is tied to our sewer system, and our water system, and that is the collateral for it," Bass-Prieto said.

McLean said the city already is already obligated to most of the terms in the resolution, because of previous agreements for the project.

"This is an update to a resolution that you signed a year and a half ago to two years ago," McLean said.

McLean also said the city has never defaulted on any loans.

"We have never, ever put ourselves in a position to where we would lose the income producing things of this city," said McLean.

Commissioner Dowdell was also concerned about the funding of the project causing utility rates to increase.

"By us approving this, this is not going to cause us to increase anything in next year's budget, such as water rate, sewer rate, electric rate?" Dowdell asked.

McLean said water and sewer rates will automatically increase by two or two-and-a-half percent each year, with or without the proposed agreement,

but that in the past, the city had not been adjusting its rates appropriately.

"If we're going to try to rely on them (the department) and use their money to expand and keep our system, then we have to make this automatic adjustment to our rates," McLean said.

"I just wanted you to say that," Dowdell responded. "You've got to stop bringing this to us, knowing when we get ready to do the budget, you're going to come to us with an increase in utilities, and then you're going to say 'based on y'all's approval of this' but you didn't tell us that when we approved it."

McLean said the commission would not be asked to increase utility rates because of this particular resolution.

The commission approved the agreement with a 4-1 vote.

Dowdell was the only commissioner to vote against it.

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City of Quincy  
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Quincy, FL 32351  
[cbush@myquincy.net](mailto:cbush@myquincy.net)

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City of Quincy Human Resources Department  
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# New exhibition bring surrealism and fantasy to Gadsden Arts

**Gadsden County Times**  
mail@prioritynews.net

The Gadsden Arts Center & Museum is bringing surrealism and fantasy to visitors through the new exhibition, Russ Traver: The Story of the Path through the Moon.

On view now through August 28 in the Munroe Family Community Gallery, Russ Traver's vibrant acrylic paintings offer dreamlike landscapes, populated with quirky and fantastical creatures.

This collection is part of Traver's Garden of the Moon series, which depicts recognizable settings that include surprising characters.

Through his work, Traver hopes to take viewers to a wondrous land of pure beauty where there is no beginning or end.

He is a self-proclaimed surreal-fauvist artist, combining the dreamlike quality and distorted reality of surrealism, with the positive mood brought by the brilliant, high contrast colors of Fauvism.

Traver says that "it is the regression of the mind into the past by which we discover images of the future."

Gadsden Arts will also be opening the third exhibition of work by members of the Gadsden Arts Artists Guild, which now includes nearly 70 members!

This beautiful show will feature paintings, drawings, encaustic, embroidery, photography, and sculpture by Nancy Adams, Inger Avant, Matthew Brady, Terrie Corbett, Karole Curtis, Fran Dellaporta, Sandy DeLopez, Thomas DeLopez, Wendy Devarieux, Carole Fiore, Brenda Francis, Thomas Friedman, Mark Georgiades, Terry Hawkins, Michele Tabor Kimbrough, William McKeown, Pam McLean, Kent Putnam, Roger Raeppe, Rick Soskis, and Joel Thornton.

Continuing exhibitions for this month



ART BY RUSS TRAVER

**ABOVE:** Russ Traver, Along the Riverbank: you never know who might be watching. A 2021 piece.

**RIGHT:** Russ Traver, Sunrise: now we can rest our feet. A 2021 piece.



include the 44th Southern Watercolor Society exhibition, a remarkably beautiful show that features the best of contemporary watercolor from 18 states around the county and the District of Columbia, and an exhibition of work by women artists from the Gadsden Arts Permanent Collection.

Gadsden Arts is located in Quincy. Gallery and Fletcher Museum Shop hours are Wednesdays through Saturdays, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.

The ArtZone family studio and guided group tours are available free of charge by calling (850) 627-5023 to schedule your visit.

Admission is \$5 for nonmember adults, free for all children ages 17 and under, and Gadsden Arts members. Admission is free for everyone on the first Saturday of every month.

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# TIMES VIEWS

## EDITORIAL & OPINION



## Letters to the Editor

Editor:

I am writing to inform you of my complete and utter disappointment in your paper for the article written by Ashley Hunter in regards to the new Dollar General in St. John.

In her article, Miss Hunter quotes two biased individuals that badmouth The Country Store.

We have been the owners of The Country Store for over 20 years and realize that there are going to be people that do not like us, but for those people to be quoted in the county newspaper as a credible source is wrong.

What Mr. Green and Mr. Shaw said about the store is damaging to us financially as well as doing damage to our reputation.

Of course we can not compete with a publicly traded company like The Dollar General; it's simple economics.

Quoting ignorant individuals that don't understand this concept did not elevate the article in any way, so Miss Hunter should never have mentioned them.

**Najat Halim**  
St. John Community

*(Editor's Note: The article in mention, "Is A Dollar General Coming To The St. John's Community?" was written by Erin Hill. The article was correctly attributed in the Gadsden County Times paper, but incorrectly attributed online. The attribution has since been corrected.*

*Further, upon review of the article in mention, our staff confirmed that no locally-owned store was mentioned, by name, in the article.)*

Editor:

As a little girl, my mother instilled in me the importance of giving back to others in the community.

This was reinforced by the fact that my brother and I were afforded many opportunities in life our parents would have never been able to give us thanks to volunteers and community programs.

I received free tennis lessons from private donors to Catholic Charities and I still love playing tennis to this day.

I was even a Girl Scout which led to me becoming a Girl Scout Troop Leader years later. Some of the girls in my troop, now grown women, still keep in touch with me reaffirming the impact I had, as a volunteer, in their lives.

We attended after-school and summer programs through the YWCA and Upward Bound; through Upward Bound I was afforded the opportunity of dual enrollment to attend the University of Chicago while still in high school.

I went to high school three days a week and then to the University of Chicago three days a week - that's right, I went to school on Saturdays all year.

These programs helped to keep us out of trouble growing up in Chicago.

So, it is only natural that as an adult, I do the same thing for others.

Mother Teresa said, "Never worry about numbers. Help one person at a time and always start with the person nearest you."

I knew long ago my purpose in life was to help others. I have served at my church, volunteered at adult education to support adult literacy, and serve as a mentor to young ladies.

A few years ago, I volunteered with Big Bend Hospice's youth bereavement program, The Caring Tree.

This program has touched many lives and allowed youth to journey through their grief in a way only a child could understand.

One thing I observed while volunteering was the youth really related to their peers because they found someone who was going through the same thing; it was also personal because I lost my mom when I was 15 and never had any grief support.

A couple of years ago, I left a job in the for-profit world to become a full-time Volunteer Coordinator with Big Bend Hospice.

My role allows me to recruit, train, and assist those who want to serve people in their community suffering from a serious illness.

I am proud that we offer a variety of ways to serve through Big Bend Hospice - direct patient care, caregiver support, running errands, providing transportation, veteran support, and administrative assistance to our staff.

I encourage anyone, no matter the reason or motivation, to consider giving back to others by volunteering with Big Bend Hospice.

**Kelly S. Williams**  
Big Bend Hospice

## Americanisms



"Daddies don't just love their children every now and then, it's a love without end."  
— George Strait

## Today Can Be Different This Father's Day, pray for your husband



**SHERYL BOLDT**

How many dads (and moms, for that matter) would want their "parenting" televised?

I can't think of anything more intimidating.

If someone were to make a movie about your family, how many scenes would include dramatic music swells just before a commercial break?

When your husband

catches your child sneaking in hours past curfew, would the producers add extra commercial breaks to break the tension?

How many words spoken in anger would the director have to edit out so your "movie" would be family-friendly?

On Father's Day, will your children give their dad a standing ovation for his gallant effort for the part he plays in the family? (Even if he's a "part-time dad," due to a unique family situation or divorce?)

The good news is that a really, really good director - indeed, the Director of all directors, stands in the wings to help your husband improve his performance - and you,

his wife, get to play a big part in helping to make this happen.

I'd like to challenge you to pray every day for your husband to be the dad he saw modeled by his father - or the dad he wished he had.

I'm talking about concentrated prayer every day for him to experience God's power and presence.

His confidence in being a good dad will grow as his faith in his heavenly Father's love and care for him grows.

Perhaps your husband struggles with issues he's afraid to admit - even to himself. He may feel insecure about being a dad, especially if he didn't have the benefit of a good role model. Or maybe he feels the emotional distance of being "only" a stepdad.

Use relevant scripture to guide your prayers.

For example, on the days your husband needs

wisdom to handle a particular situation with one of your children, ask God to fill him with "the knowledge of his will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding" (Colossians 1:9 ESV).

Consider asking him how you can pray for him each day.

Your husband wants nothing more than to succeed.

Ask God how you can encourage him.

Even without the lights and cameras, dads are under pressure to put on a stellar performance, and he faces this pressure day after day - without commercial breaks every 15 minutes.

Your prayers can help him give the performance of a lifetime.

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### by Freddy Groves Blue Water Navy Agent Orange Claims

One of the first lawsuits brought against the Department of Veterans Affairs for benefits for veterans who were exposed to Agent Orange was in 1986. At issue in *Nehmer v. U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs* was the fact that the only medical condition acknowledged by the VA was chloracne ... a very serious skin condition caused by exposure to dioxins and dibenzofurans. It's been a very long haul since then to get the VA to acknowledge (and pay for) other damage done by Agent Orange.

The *Nehmer Law* was created for veterans, spouses, children and parents of any Vietnam veteran who should have received exposure benefits but didn't. Since 1991, the VA has paid out billions of dollars in AO exposure benefits for diabetes, ischemic heart disease, Parkinson's disease, cancers and more, but they've resisted every step of the way.

In November 2020, attorneys went back to court to force the VA to address the exposure suffered by Blue Water Navy veterans who literally drank, breathed and showered in AO while on ships in the harbor. The Blue Water Navy Vietnam Veterans Act of 2019 extended the presumption of exposure to include more than aboard-ship service.

Now, thanks again to *Nehmer*, the VA is required to readjudicate any denied Blue Water claims. The reviews started in April. No new claim is required, and any changes to claims are supposed to be automatic. It applies not only to veterans, but their survivors as well. Still at issue is whether the VA will pay retroactively for denied claims.

To learn more, go online to congress.gov and search for H.R.299 -- Blue Water Navy Vietnam Veterans Act of 2019. For eligibility specifics, go to va.gov and search for Agent Orange. And if you'd like to know where the class action lawsuit began, look up Beverly *Nehmer*.

# COMMUNITY NEWS

## THE DIRT ROAD WONDER

### I REMEMBER DADDY



GWYNN KIDD

His name was Everett Holman to everyone else, but to me he was Daddy.

He always wore white, starched, long sleeve shirts and he was always spotless; he was tall and thin and very handsome.

He and Mama had moved to Detroit in the early 1930s, and he went to work for General Electric.

In 1933, the World's Fair opened in Chicago and he and Mama moved to Chicago for him to demonstrate appliances for General Electric at the fair.

The theme of the fair was "A Century of Progress" and its plan and purpose was "to attempt to demonstrate to an international audience the nature and significance of scientific discoveries"

The fair was on 427 acres and opened on May 27, 1933 and it was planned to close on November 12, 1933, but because it had been so popular that year, the organizers extended that year's World Fair for another year, instead ending in 1934.

Mama and Daddy loved being at the fairgrounds and meeting so many celebrities, but that cold winter of 1934 sent them back to live in Florida.

I don't think my daddy was afraid of anything.

One of my friends reminded me of the time that our service station was out of gas during World War II, and this customer drove up to the pump and blew his horn.

Daddy went to the door and told him we didn't have any gas.

The customer must have believed that if he blew his horn long enough, Daddy would come up with some gas.

Daddy finally walked out to the gas pump and decked him, and he didn't blow that horn anymore...Gadsden County was a little bit like the wild west back then.

The summer my daddy was 16 years old, he had been hired to paint a big water tank in Panama City.

They paid him five dollars and he used some of the money to buy a dictionary and I still have that dictionary; he loved

books and newspapers and he passed that trait on to me.

My aunt told me that during the years I was having surgery and casts on my club feet that Daddy would put a pillow on his lap and that is where I would stay most of the time.

It never seemed to bother him that I was not perfect.

When I was 10 years old, he gave me my first .22 rifle and we would go hunting together; I wasn't allowed to hunt anything but squirrels and crows, but I still loved to go.

One time we got lost in Little River Swamp.

We would walk and walk and always come back to the same place.

When it started getting dark, Mama knew that something was wrong.

We just had one car, so she got Mr. Alvah Bryant to drive

her to the place where we had left our car parked before going out into the woods.

Mama had Mr. Bryant keep blowing the horn, and we started coming to the sound of the horn and found our way out.

I didn't like fishing very much, but the best part of any fishing trip we took was when Daddy and Mama let me jump into the water.

Most of the time we went fishing in Lake Jackson, and that is really deep and full of gators.

The Good Lord must have been looking after me because I never had any trouble.

Daddy and I had gone to the picture show one afternoon, and a cloud came up and the lights went out.

We walked over to the Western Auto while we were waiting, and I found the most beautiful doll I had ever seen; she was dressed like a Spanish Princess and was the first doll I had ever seen that was not a baby doll.

I told Daddy that I wanted Santa to bring me a doll like that.

We went back to the movie when the lights came back on, but I couldn't wait to show Mama the doll I wanted for Christmas.

But when Mama and I went there later to look at the doll, it was gone and I was so disappointed.

Of course, Daddy had given them a wink and a nod, and they had put it up for me.

He died when I was 10 years old, and I thought my world had ended.

When I see my children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren I wish he could have lived to see them.

He would be so proud that one of my own great-grandchildren is going to be named for him.

I miss him so much.

**HAPPY FATHER'S DAY**  
Gwynn0720@Comcast.net

## SENIOR NEWS LINE

by Matilda Charles

### Are You Ready to Come Out Now?

Warm weather is here, which ideally would coincide with ending the coronavirus restrictions that have kept us isolated for well over a year. Are you ready to come out now?

Many of us aren't, which isn't surprising given the ever-changing facts: It's OK to take your mask off/no, keep wearing your mask. It's time to go out for a restaurant meal/restaurants are still limited in the number of diners they can allow. More than half the population has now been vaccinated/many younger people are refusing the vaccine.

And therein lies the complication in returning all of us to normal life: those who don't want the vaccine.

Imagine my shock when I called the medical practice the day before my annual physical to ask whether all employees had been vaccinated. "No," said the cheerful man who answered the phone. "We're not required to get it."

I brought this up when I saw my doctor. To his credit, he didn't try to lie to me.

Why, inquiring minds wanted to know, in a medical setting with sick people in and out all day, didn't they require employees, especially the ones who get close enough to breathe on patients, to get the vaccine? Because, the doctor said, if they are required to take the vaccine, too many of them would just quit and the medical practice would have to shut down.

It seems to me that advice from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and local governments varies by the day. But we still need to wear masks. We still need to distance ourselves from people, stay out of crowds and avoid poorly ventilated spaces.

To my way of thinking, only one thing has really changed: the weather. It's time to get out and walk, get some sunshine, build leg muscles and admire the neighbors' flowers. Wear a hat.

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## Strange BUT TRUE

By Lucie Winborne

- Want to test how ripe your cranberries are? Drop them on the ground! Cranberries are nature's bouncy ball -- farmers even use this technique to see if the fruit is ready for shipment.

- In Las Vegas, it's against the law to pawn your dentures.

- Near the end of World

War I, the French built a "fake Paris" designed to throw off German bombers and fighter pilots, complete with a replica of the Champs-Elysees and Gard Du Nord. It even included a fake railway that lit up at certain points, creating the illusion from the sky of a train moving along the tracks.

- Allergy sufferers, take note: One ragweed plant can release as many as 1 billion grains of pollen.

- Adolf Hitler helped design (with Ferdinand Porsche) the Volkswagen Beetle, as part of an initiative to create "the people's car" -- an affordable, practical vehicle that everyone could own.

- Tablecloths were originally designed for use as one big, communal napkin.

- Each of the suits on a deck of cards represents the four major pillars of the economy in the Middle Ages: hearts for the Church, spades for the military, clubs for agriculture and diamonds

for the merchant class.

- A person who plays the bongo drums is known as a "bongosero."

- According to research done by MIT, the number 17 is the most common randomly chosen number between one and 20.

- Henry Ford produced the Model T only in black because the black paint available at the time was the fastest to dry.

*Thought for the Day:*  
"Good communication is just as stimulating as black coffee, and just as hard to sleep after." -- Anne Morrow Lindbergh

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**Gadsden Senior Services, Inc Board of Directors Meeting**

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

# COMMUNITY NEWS

## SHORT TAKES

### Quincy student named to Valdosta State University's Dean's List

Valdosta State University recently announced and congratulated Emilee Harris, of Quincy, for earning a spot on the Spring 2021 Dean's List at the university.

Dean's List honors are reserved for the highest achieving students at Valdosta State University. Harris is one of more than 1,700 distinguished and accomplished students at the university who were recognized for exemplifying excellence in the attainment of their educational goals.

To qualify for the Dean's List at Valdosta State University, students must achieve a semester grade point average of 3.50 or higher on nine or more semester hours with an institutional grade point average of 3.00 or higher.

### Tallahassee Police Department opens DEFY youth camp applications

The Tallahassee Police Department recently opened applications for the 18th annual Drug Education For Youth (DEFY) Summer Leadership Camp.

The camp is free to attend, but space is limited.

This year's abbreviated camp will be held July 26-30 at the Tallahassee Police Department, located at 234 East Seventh Avenue, in Tallahassee.

This year's topics will include drug education and resistance skills, peer pressure, self-esteem, health, physical fitness, and team building. Camp hours will be from 8:30 a.m. through 1:30 pm each day, with lunch included.

Applications are available online at [talgov.com/publicsafety/tpd-defy.aspx](http://talgov.com/publicsafety/tpd-defy.aspx). Applications will be accepted until July 9, or until the camp reaches full capacity.

DEFY is a prevention program for kids ages 9-12.

DEFY deters "at risk" behaviors by giving kids the tools they need to resist drugs and develop positive social skills. For more information, contact Tallahassee

Police Department's Lieutenant Danielle Davis at (850) 363-3658.

### Quincy police arrest juvenile vehicle and burglary suspect

On Monday, June 7, officers with Quincy Police Department responded to Magnolia Drive in Quincy, in regards to an allegedly stolen vehicle.

According to the press release from the department, officers later spotted the vehicle in Quincy on Lillian Springs Road, and officers conducted a traffic stop on the vehicle and its driver.

The Quincy Police Department reported that after the traffic stop, officers took a 17-year-old juvenile into custody, and in the juvenile's possession were several items that officers believed were stolen and involved in a recent

burglary.

The juvenile was arrested and taken to the Juvenile Assessment Center in Tallahassee for processing.

### Free spay and neuter vouchers available for Gadsden dog owners

In light of the pandemic and ongoing hard times, You Can Make A Difference, Inc. is offering free and low-cost spay, neuter and vaccination vouchers for dog owners in Gadsden, Jackson, and Liberty Counties. The vouchers can be used only in You Can Make A Difference's collaborating clinics in Tallahassee, Dothan, and Havana.

Free flea preventative vouchers are also available to cat and dog owners in Gadsden County.

For more information and to claim a voucher, send

an email to [ycmad2733@gmail.com](mailto:ycmad2733@gmail.com) or call (850) 270-8793.

### Two Gadsden students named to Kennesaw State University

President's List Kennesaw State University recently named several of the university's 2020-2021 students to the President's List in recognition of those students' academic excellence in the Spring 2021 semester.

Of the students named, two of Kennesaw's students are from Gadsden County. Casey Howard Derico, of Quincy, and Sarah Johns, of Havana, were both named to Kennesaw's President's List.

To achieve this honor, each undergraduate student must have completed at least nine semester hours, with a term grade point average of 4.0.

## Gadsden County opens American Rescue grants for residents, small businesses, non-profits, and churches

Gadsden County Times  
mail@prioritynews.net

The Gadsden County Board of County Commissioners recently announced the opening of the grant application process for the Gadsden County American Rescue Plan.

Gadsden County will be receiving more than \$8 million in COVID-19 relief funds from the \$1.9 trillion federal American Rescue Plan.

"These much-needed funds will help put food on Gadsden Countians tables and assist businesses, churches, nonprofits, and healthcare organizations with expenses," Commission Chairperson Brenda Holt said. "This money will help us make sure that our families do not fall apart and ensure that this county comes out of this pandemic stronger and better."

The Gadsden County American Rescue Plan will also make grants available to local churches and nonprofits that either experienced a loss of revenue, or incurred additional costs due to the pandemic.

In addition, nonprofit healthcare organizations that provide services within the community such as medical, food, educational, or childcare services may also apply.

The program grants are as follows:

**The Food Card Program** will assist Gadsden County citizens who have been adversely impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic through direct or indirect effects.

This program will be eligible to citizens who were not otherwise eligible to receive food assistance through state-run programs (due to income exceeding the allowable state threshold), but still experiencing food scarcity in their residence.

Food cards provided will be based on the number of residents living in the applying household.

These cards will be purchased from food stores in Gadsden County.

**The Small Business Assistance Program** will assist Gadsden County's local, small businesses with less restraint than the CARES Program guidelines.

This program will assist small businesses that have experienced a loss of revenue or increased expenditures due to COVID-19; and the pandemic's economic impact on the community.

In this new Small Business Assistance Program, a qualifying business can be a home-based business or a brick-and-mortar type business.

With the focus on small businesses, the applicant must have less than 100 employees and not be a publicly-traded company or its subsidiary.

**The Nonprofit Organization Assistance Program** will assist nonprofit organizations located in Gadsden County.

The nonprofit organization must be able to demonstrate that the COVID-19 pandemic adversely affected the delivery of the goods, services, or programs that the organization provides to the Gadsden County community.

Funding will be available for the nonprofits that aided in the testing, vaccination, and other activities associated with COVID-19 and who are not registered or operating as a nonprofit healthcare provider.

**The Non-Profit Healthcare Organization Assistance Program** will assist healthcare-related nonprofits in Gadsden County that COVID-19 has impacted.

All non-profit healthcare organizations that apply will have had to provide the following services within the healthcare community: medical, food, educational, or childcare services.

**The Gadsden County Church/Religious Organization Assistance Program** will assist local churches and religious organizations in Gadsden that have been financially impacted by COVID 19 - either through a loss of revenue or the culmination of additional costs to the church or organization.

"There have been so many people who have lost their regular incomes in this pandemic that we felt it was critical to get help to the people of Gadsden County," County Administrator Edward Dixon said.

"There are also a number of organizations and those in the faith community that stepped up in a big way to help residents, even though they didn't have many resources to begin with."

Residents, organizations, and businesses will need to provide documentation such as a driver's license or utility bill for proof of residence, and other items documenting their lost income or nonprofit status when they apply for the grants.

The requirements for use of this funding for assistance to Gadsden County residents, small businesses, and non-project organizations are far less stringent than the previous federal and state guidelines under the CARES Act.

The county believes that this streamlined effort will enable faster distribution to those in need.

A Gadsden County applicant/organization can only qualify and receive funding through one program under the Gadsden County American Rescue Plan Programs.

"With less complicated requirements and a focus on outreach to the community, this direct assistance program will help Gadsden County residents, community groups, and small businesses that have experienced a loss of revenue or increased their expenditures due to COVID-19 and the pandemic's economic impact on the community," said community leader and local pastor Willie C. Green.

These programs will be presented, and technical assistance will be provided during countywide workshops and presentations over the next three months.

All Gadsden Rescue grants will be provided on a "first qualified, first-served" basis.

Gadsden County residents, organizations and businesses can apply by visiting [gadsdenrescue.com](http://gadsdenrescue.com) or by picking up a paper application at the Butler Government Building, which is located at 9 East Jefferson Street, in Quincy.



### NORTH FLORIDA RESEARCH AND EDUCATION CENTER

#### OPS SECRETARY ANNOUNCEMENT

This is a time-limited OPS position located at the UF/IFAS North Florida Research and Education Center (NFREC) on Pat Thomas Parkway in Gadsden County, Florida.

The incumbent will work 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday through Friday, excluding UF and State holidays.

The incumbent in this position can expect to work 40 hours a week; however, these hours are subject to change.

OPS employees that work an average of 30 hours or more for a six-month period are eligible to apply for benefits.

These benefits may include health, dental, and vision insurance.

The rate of pay for this position is \$15 per hour.

The incumbent in this position will serve as the first point of contact for all NFREC-Quincy faculty, staff and visitors. The incumbent will be responsible for the open and close of business each day.

He/she will perform a variety of administrative support tasks, including but not limited to processing financial transactions, making travel arrangements, answering phones, accepting, sorting, and distributing incoming mail and packages, preparing shipment documents for domestic and international mail and packages, and assisting both the Business Manager and Event Coordinator.

Other duties may be assigned as needed. The person selected must be proficient with all Microsoft applications including Outlook, Excel, and PowerPoint.

Must be a self-starter, complete tasks with little supervision and be a team-player.

To apply for this position applicants must submit a completed University of Florida OPS application with at least two (2) professional references.

Applications can be obtained via the website <https://hr.ufl.edu/wp-content/uploads/2018/04/opsapplication.pdf> or in-person at 155 Research Road, Quincy, Florida - Monday through Friday (8 a.m.-5 p.m.). For applicants who are e-mailing your completed application, please forward your documents to [malonep03@ifas.ufl.edu](mailto:malonep03@ifas.ufl.edu) and [accupp@ufl.edu](mailto:accupp@ufl.edu)

If you have any issues accessing the application, please contact us at (850) 875-7105. The application deadline is June 24, 2021.



### PUBLIC NOTICE

The Gadsden County Board of County Commissioners will hold a Budget Workshop to discuss:  
Fiscal Year 2021/2022 Budget

on Thursday, June 17, 2021 at 4:00 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, [www.facebook.com/GadsdenCountyBOCC](http://www.facebook.com/GadsdenCountyBOCC). Virtual meeting access details will be posted to the Gadsden County website, [www.gadsdencountyfl.gov](http://www.gadsdencountyfl.gov).

Anyone wishing to speak on agenda items or non-agenda items should schedule or notify the County Administrator's 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](mailto:CitizensToBeHeard@gadsdencountyfl.gov) until noon on Wednesday, June 16, 2021. Comments submitted after the deadline, but before 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 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](mailto:media@gadsdencountyfl.gov) at least 2 hours before the meeting.

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.

# COMMUNITY NEWS

## OBITUARIES & DEATH NOTICES

### Lauretta Branch McClendon

Lauretta Branch McClendon, 70, of Quincy, Florida departed this earthly life Monday, June 7, 2021 in Apopka, Florida at Advent Health Care Center Apopka North. Lauretta was a 1968 graduate of Carter Parramore High School and furthered her education at Florida A&M University. Professionally she was a purchasing agent with the State of Florida. Lauretta was a Christian who found great joy in helping others. Her favorite pastimes were sewing, crocheting, and



traveling. Services will be 10:00 am, Saturday, June 19, 2021 at Bradwell Mortuary, Quincy Florida. Viewing will be 3pm - 7pm, Friday, June 18, 2021 at Bradwell

Mortuary. Surviving family includes her husband, Hugh McClendon, Quincy, FL; daughter, Cloteal Lee (Adaryll), Apopka, FL; son, Reginald McClendon (Zakiya), Detroit, MI; grandsons, Zakyle Bush, Kiyan Carrion, Kyrie McClendon, and Karson McClendon, and a special cousin, Elease Jenkins, Houston, TX.



### Marian Nan Smith

Marian Nan Smith passed away on Friday, June 11, 2021, following a tragic vehicle incident in Calvary, GA. Memorial services are at 11:00 a.m., Saturday, June 26, 2021, at Centenary United Methodist Church in Quincy, FL. Rev. Danielle Upton will officiate.



Nan was of the Methodist faith and a member of the Cairo First United Methodist Church. Survivors include: her husband, Mack Smith, III; daughters, Sarah Bell (John Mark) of Quincy, FL, Jenna Bizzell (Britt) of Whigham, GA; grandchildren, Lolley,

Littey, Jase, Bear, Rocky and Layne; brothers, Ken Hudgins (Ildl) of Cape Coral, FL, Bill Hudgins of Conyers, GA; sisters, Janet Johnson (Robert) of Limestone, TN, Nancy McLendon (Tommy) of Quincy, FL and a host of nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by: her parents; daughter, Katie McLendon and sister-in-law, Edie Hudgins.

Guests may sign the online register at [HYPERLINK "http://www.clarkfuneral.com"](http://www.clarkfuneral.com)



### Ms. Pauline B. Hickman

Ms. Pauline B. Hickman, 86 years of age, of Quincy, FL, departed this life on Monday, June 14, 2021 in Quincy, FL. She leaves to cherish is most precious memories: three sons, Minister Willie Hickman, Jr.(Gwendolyn), Orlando, FL, Reverend Ronnie Clark(Angela), Haines City, FL, Reverend Marque Woodard (Christa), Quincy, FL, four daughters, Minister Annette Burns (George), Quincy, FL, Mona Lisa Lee, Jonesboro, GA, Reverend Gwendolyn Simmons (Michael),



Quincy, FL, Reverend Debra Love, Quincy, FL, two sisters, Lizzie Thomas (Anthony), Quincy, FL, Shirley Bryant, Tallahassee, FL, 17 grands, 22 great grands, 3 great great grands.

Visitation will be from 2pm - 7pm, Friday, June 18, 2021 at Williams Funeral Home of Quincy, FL. A celebration of life will be 11:00am, Saturday, June 19, 2021 at New Mt. Zion A.M.E. Church, Tallahassee, FL with burial at Sunnyvale Cemetery, Quincy, FL. Williams Funeral Home of Quincy, Florida will be providing the service for the Hickman family.



### Mr. De'Morrio T. McCall

Mr. De'Morrio T. McCall, 43 years of age, of Quincy, FL, departed this life on Thursday, June 10, 2021 in Quincy, FL. He leaves to cherish his precious memories: his mother, Marva McCall, Midway, FL, one son, De'Mario McCall, two daughters, Ednia McCall, Quincy, FL, La'Jhada Hubbard, Tallahassee, FL, paternal grandparents, Issac McCall and Lillie Dell McCall. Visitation will be from 2pm - 6 pm, Friday, June 18, 2021 at Williams Funeral Home of Quincy, FL. Graveside service will be 11:00 am, Saturday, June 19, 2021 at Sunnyvale Cemetery, Quincy, FL. Williams

Funeral Home of Quincy, Florida will be providing the service for the McCall family.



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grill and preparing food for the event. "We're out here to spread kindness, that's what Born 2 Be A Man is all about. I'm helping out with the food, making sure we send everyone home with a full stomach. It's a tremendous experience. These kids who are very well raised are out here treating each other with respect and just having a little sweaty fun," said Deylan Buckhalt, who is also a dispatcher for the sheriff's office 911 center.

Born 2 Be A Man Inc meets weekly in Tallahassee and Quincy.

Meetings are held every Saturday in Tallahassee and every Sunday in Quincy.

For more information about the meeting locations, the organization's scholarship, or the mentor program, contact Russell Harrison Sr. at [born2beaman@gmail.com](mailto:born2beaman@gmail.com) or (850)-264-5145.

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that those properties have been seized and are being criminally forfeited.

"As a result of the incredible work of our law enforcement partners, this criminal has been held to account for the violence, armed drug trafficking, and horrific acts of animal cruelty he orchestrated," stated Acting United States Attorney Coody. "The abuse of animals for profit is both inhumane and illegal and will be vigorously prosecuted by this office."

"Jermaine Hadley can no longer distribute dangerous drugs nor harm innocent animals," said Drug Enforcement Administration's Miami Field Division Acting Special Agent in Charge La Verne Hibbert. "As a result of the strong multi-agency law enforcement collaboration in this case, Panhandle communities are less afflicted by the scourge of his drug distribution and gang related criminal activities."

The United States Department of Justice says that the investigation and continuing prosecutions are the result of the collaborative effort of numerous federal, state, and local agencies, including the Drug Enforcement Administration, the U.S. Department of Agriculture Office of Inspector General, Homeland Security Investigations, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, the United States Marshals Service, the Gadsden County Sheriff's Office, the Jackson County Sheriff's Office, the Florida Highway Patrol, the Chattahoochee Police Department, the Tallahassee Police Department, the Leon County Sheriff's Office, the Calhoun County Sheriff's Office, the Florida Department of Law Enforcement, and the Florida Air National Guard Counterdrug Program.

"The Gadsden County Sheriff's Office appreciates the teamwork

from all agencies," stated Gadsden County Sheriff Morris Young. "We are intolerable of offenses, especially this kind."

The other Gadsden County defendants in this investigation include:

**Dennis Lamar Howard**, 47, of Chattahoochee. Howard was sentenced to credit for time served, with two years of supervised release, six months of which will be served on home detention with location monitoring.

**Eddie Lee Hughes**, 54, of Chattahoochee. Hughes was sentenced to credit for time served, with three years of supervised release.

**Leonard Safford**, 39, of Gretna. Safford was sentenced to 48 months in federal prison.

**Patrick Lee Baker**, 45, of Chattahoochee. Baker's sentencing is set for June 24.

**Sariem Shanquell McMillian**, 25, of Quincy. McMillian's sentencing is set for June 24.

**Bob Streets**, 37, of Quincy. Streets' sentencing is set for June 24.

**Linda Lockwood**, 50, of Chattahoochee. Lockwood's sentencing is set for June 25.

**Zanntayfey Yohoun Bennett**, 37, of Quincy. Bennett's sentencing is set for July 7.

**Devar San Jacus Donaldson**, 29, of Quincy. Donaldson's sentencing is set for July 8.

**Justin Cribley**, 38, of Chattahoochee. Cribley's sentencing is set for July 21.

**Ja'Rod Lamar Bryant**, 33, of Chattahoochee. Bryant's sentencing is set for July 22.

**Jequentavious Trayshon Owens**, 26, of Chattahoochee. Owens' sentencing is set for July 23.

**THE ILLUSTRATED BIBLE**



*...So Christ was sacrificed once to take away the sins of many; and he will appear a second time, not to bear sin, but to bring salvation to those who are waiting for him.*

HEBREWS 9:28

*Detail of "The Ascension" by John Singleton Copley (1775)*

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### TDC Meeting Notice

The Gadsden County Tourist Development Council (TDC) will hold a Regular Meeting on Monday, June 21, 2021, at 4 p.m.

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 Gadsden County Public Information by calling 850-875-8671 or emailing [media@gadsgdencountyfl.gov](mailto:media@gadsgdencountyfl.gov) at least 24 hours prior to the meeting.

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# LEGAL ADVERTISEMENTS

## 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, 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: 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.

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, 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: 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 Priestner

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

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, 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, Florida

BY: \_\_\_\_\_

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, Florida

BY: \_\_\_\_\_

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, Florida

BY: \_\_\_\_\_

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: 984 YEAR OF ISSUANCE: 2015**

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: OR 754 P 1436 LOTS 20 AND 21 IN BLOCK D RODDENBERRY ADDITION. FURTHER DESC'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, Florida

BY: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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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, Florida

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
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 011 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

**DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY****FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY**

Proposed Flood Hazard Determinations for Gadsden County,

Florida and  
Incorporated Areas

The Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency has issued a preliminary Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM), and where applicable, Flood Insurance Study (FIS) report, reflecting proposed flood hazard determinations within Gadsden County, Florida and Incorporated Areas. These flood hazard determinations may include the addition or modification of Base Flood Elevations, base flood depths, Special Flood Hazard Area boundaries or zone designations, or the regulatory floodway. Technical information or comments are solicited on the proposed flood hazard determinations shown on the preliminary FIRM and/or FIS report for Gadsden County, Florida and Incorporated Areas. These flood hazard determinations are the basis for the floodplain management measures that your community is required to either adopt or show evidence of being already in effect in order to qualify or remain qualified for participation in the National Flood Insurance Program. However, before these determinations are effective for floodplain management purposes, you will be provided an opportunity to appeal the proposed information. For information on the statutory 90-day period provided for appeals, as well as a complete listing of the communities affected and the locations where copies of the FIRM are available for review, please visit FEMA's website at [www.floodmaps.fema.gov/fhm/BFE\\_Status/bfe\\_main.asp](http://www.floodmaps.fema.gov/fhm/BFE_Status/bfe_main.asp), or call the FEMA Mapping and Insurance eXchange (FMIX) toll free at 1-877-FEMA MAP (1-877-336-2627).  
2t: 6/10, 6/17

**NOTICE TO RECEIVE SEALED BIDS FOR GROUP HEALTH INSURANCE**

The Gadsden County School District will receive bids from qualified vendors interested in providing Group Health Insurance.

The RFP packet is available on the District's website at [www.gadسدnschools.org](http://www.gadسدnschools.org). In addition, a physical copy can be obtained at 35 Martin Luther King Blvd., Quincy, FL 32351.

The proposal due date is July 15, 2021 by 2:00 p.m.

Questions regarding this RFP may be directed to Andrea Lawson, Purchasing Agent. Her contact information is: (850) 627-9651 extension 1287 or email at [lawsona@gcpsmail.com](mailto:lawsona@gcpsmail.com).  
2t: 6/17, 6/24

**IN THE CIRCUIT CURT FOR GADSDEN COUNTY, FLORIDA  
PROBATE DIVISION  
File No. 21000201CPA**

IN RE: ESTATE OF

CALVIN LANIER, SR. Deceased.

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

The administration of the estate of CALVIN LANIER, SR., deceased, whose date of death was May 6, 2020; File Number 21000201CPA, is pending in the Circuit Court for Gadsden County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is P.O. Box 1649, Quincy, FL 32353-1649. 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 WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

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

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

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

The date of first publication of this notice is: June 17, 2021.

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Eservice for all attorneys listed above:

GADeservice@GendersAlvarez.com

ZEBADIAH KEITH LANIER

Personal Representative

7109 Salt River Avenue

Sun City, FL 33573

2t: 6/17, 6/24

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL  
CIRCUIT IN AND FOR GADSDEN COUNTY, FLORIDA  
PROBATE DIVISION  
FILE NO.2021-215-CPA**

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF

DOROTHY WILLIAMS,

Deceased.

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

The administration of the intestate estate of DOROTHY B. WILLIAMS, deceased, File Number 2021-215-CPA is pending in the Circuit Court of Gadsden County, Florida, Probate Division, c/o the Gadsden County Courthouse, Post Office Box 1649, Quincy, Florida 32353 1649. The names and addresses of the Personal Representative and the Personal Representative's attorney are set forth below.

ALL INTERESTED PERSONS ARE NOTIFIED THAT:

All persons on whom this notice is served who have objections that challenge the qualifications of the Personal Representative, venue, or jurisdiction of this Court are required to file their objections 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 THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against the decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is served within three months after the date of the first publication of this notice 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 persons having claims or demands against the decedent's estate must file their claims with this Court WITHIN THREE MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

ALL CLAIMS, DEMANDS, AND OBJECTIONS NOT SO FILED

WILL BE FOREVER BARRED. Notwithstanding the time periods stated above, any claim filed two (2) years or more after the decedent's death on May 4, 2021 is barred.

The date of the first publication of this Notice is June 17, 2021.

VALERIE E. JANARD

Florida Bar No.: 284203

Quincy, Florida 32351

(850) 875-4410

1stattv@gmail.com

Attorney for Personal Representative

TANYA W. BRADWELL

2031 Osceola Street

Quincy, Florida 32351

Personal Representative

2t: 6/17, 6/24

**Legal Notice Advertisement Request Form  
Notice Under Fictitious Name Law Pursuant to Section  
865.09, Florida Statutes**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of David Burns/Jim Patton Towing : Located at 669 Post Plant Rd : Gadsden County in the City of Quincy : Florida, 32352-1085 intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida.  
Dated at Quincy Florida, this June day of 10, 2021  
1t: 6/17

**Legal Notice Advertisement Request Form  
Notice Under Fictitious Name Law Pursuant to Section  
865.09, Florida Statutes**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of Dee and Zee's Cleaning Services : Located at PO Box 1196 : Gadsden County in the City of Quincy : Florida, 32353-1196 intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida.  
Dated at Quincy Florida, this June day of 10, 2021  
1t: 6/17

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE  
SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND  
FOR GADSDEN COUNTY, FLORIDA  
CASE NO. 2021-CA-000290**

SOUTHEAST INVESTMENT VENTURES, LLC,

a Florida limited liability corporation,

Plaintiff,

vs. JAMES G. OADE; if alive, and if deceased,

unknown spouses, heirs, devisees, grantees,

creditors, assigns, and all other parties claiming

by through, under or against him,

Defendants.

**NOTICE OF ACTION**

TO: JAMES G. OADE; if alive, and if deceased, unknown spouses, heirs, devisees, grantees, creditors, assigns, and all other parties claiming by through, under or against him YOU ARE NOTIFIED that a Complaint for Quiet Title on the following property in Gadsden County, Florida: Commence at a light wood hub and tack known as marking the Southwest corner of Fractional Section 6, Township 3 North, Range 2 West, Gadsden County, Florida; and run thence North 45 degrees 10 minutes 48 seconds East 188.07 feet to a concrete monument in the center of a creek; thence Northerly along the centerline of said creek a distance of 2524.1 feet, more or less, to a point located North 02 degrees 30 minutes 48 seconds East 2358.82 feet from the aforesaid point, said point being the POINT OF BEGINNING. From said POINT OF BEGINNING, thence North 89 degrees 42 minutes 09 seconds East 865.14 feet to a point in the centerline of a 60.00 foot roadway, said point lying on a curve concave to the East; thence along said centerline curve with a radius of 3402.90 feet, through a central angle of 00 degrees 50 minutes 30 seconds for an arc distance of 49.99 feet (the chord of said arc being North 20 degrees 58 minutes 26 seconds West 49.99 feet); thence continue along said centerline as follows: North 20 degrees 33 minutes 11 seconds West 798.23 feet to a point of curve to the left; thence along said curve with a radius of 366.60 feet, through a central angle of 23 degrees 07 minutes 27 seconds for an arc distance of 147.97 feet (the chord of said arc being North 32 degrees 06 minutes 54 seconds West 146.96 feet); thence North 43 degrees 40 minutes 38 seconds West 220.76 feet to a point of curve to the left; thence along said curve with a radius of 203.46 feet, through a central angle of 27 degrees 36 minutes 49 seconds for an arc distance of 98.06 feet (the chord of said arc being North 57 degrees 29 minutes 02 seconds West 97.11 feet); thence leaving said centerline and run South 18 degrees 42 minutes 33 seconds West 30.00 feet; thence South 13 degrees 55 minutes 32 seconds West 359.50 feet to a point in the centerline of the aforesaid creek; thence Southerly along said centerline a distance of 825.00 feet, more or less, to the POINT OF BEGINNING. Gadsden County Parcel ID No. 2-06-3N-2W-0000-00230-0100 has been filed against you and others, and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on ANDREW J. POWER, 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 8 day of June, 2021.

(SEAL)

Nicholas Thomas- Clerk of Court

By: Pam K. Carter

Deputy Clerk

Gadsden County Courthouse

Quincy, FL 32353

4t: 6/17, 6/24, 7/1, 7/8

**NOTICE UNDER FICTITIOUS NAME STATUTE TO WHOM IT  
MAY CONCERN;**

Notice is here by given that the undersigned pursuant to the "Fictitious Name Statute", Chapter 865.09, Florida Statutes, will register with the Division of Corporations, Department of State of Florida upo receipt of proof of the publication of this notice, the fictitious To-Wit" Independent Funeral Home under which I am engaged in business at 211 E. Jefferson Street, Quincy, FL 32351. That the party interested in said enterprise is as follows: Sandra J. Black, dated at Quincy, Gadsden County, Florida, June 8, 2021. 1t: 6/17

# Amber Waves

by Dave T. Phipps

TO CREATE MY TOWN I START BY BUILDING HOUSES, BUSINESSES AND SCHOOLS.

NEXT I'LL ADD ROADS AND STREETS FOR TRANSPORTATION.

NOW I MOVE IN AND DESTROY EVERYTHING CAUSING MASS DESTRUCTION BECAUSE I CAN.

WOW, ALL GOVERNMENTS SHOULD JUST GET A SANDBOX. THAT WAS SO THERAPEUTIC!

Out on a Limb by Gary Kopervas

How COOL... BLUE MAN GROUP

How RUDE... BLUE CHEESE GROUP

R.F.D. by Mike Marland

WHY THREE GRILLS, MAY?

BURGERS... CORN ON THE COB... TINFOIL POTATOES.

SIM NEVER OUTGREW THAT THING ABOUT NOT LIKIN' HIS FOOD TO TOUCH.

The Spats by Jeff Pickering

WHAT WAS YOUR WEDDING LIKE, GRANDPA?

YOUR GRANDMA AND I HAD A VERY EMOTIONAL WEDDING

...EVEN THE CAKE WAS IN TIERS.

TIGER by Bud Blake

WHY ARE YOU AFTER HIM? HE NEEDS A BATH

POPEYE by Elspeth

GOTCHA Y' LIL RUNT! LET GO OF HIM YOU BEAST!

OH, POPEYE... REMEMBER YOU PROMISED NOT TO FIGHT!

SO, WOT'S Y' GONNA DO NOW? HOW'S YER MEM'RY BRUTUS?

IT'S FINE, PIPSQEAQ! SO, D'YA KNOWS WOT DISS IS?

SHORE...IT'S A HAND! DEN D'YA KNOWS WOT DISS IS?

IT'S A FISK! YER RIGHT?

KIN YA R'MEMBER WOT IT DUZ TYA?

AMAZIN' WOT TH' POWER OF S'JESTION KIN DO!

**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: G equals L

AOJX VOA CK EVF ACM PDDGF  
IVNF UTGBJ ENRF UTTEIFPN PGG  
RPX: KFI XTNB JTLB FHLVPKMF.

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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.

LP NPIC XJ LP EBWXZC HXLM  
LMC MCEZL; LP EBWXZC XJ LP  
NPIC HXLM LMC WXR.  
— LMCPMSXNC TEDLXCZ

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# King Crossword

ACROSS

1 Egyptian deity  
5 Piercing tool  
8 Probability  
12 Lion's share  
13 Hot tub  
14 Stench  
15 Unoriginal one  
16 Home to the Buccaneers  
18 Pizza topping  
20 Wine container  
21 Off-white  
23 Dict. info  
24 Spoofs  
28 Pharmaceutical  
31 Playwright Levin  
32 Leg bone  
34 Mentalist's gift  
35 Rhett's last word  
37 Mildew cause  
39 Scratch  
41 Valentine flower  
42 Molds  
45 Foliage  
49 Marshmallow toaster  
51 Carousel, for one  
52 "I cannot tell —"  
53 Pair

DOWN

1 Apple computer  
2 Former frosh  
3 "Got it"  
4 Meryl of film  
5 Space rock  
6 New Deal agcy.  
7 Gentle soul

8 Gave a speech  
9 Owing nothing  
10 Transaction  
11 Terrier type  
17 Group of seals  
19 Highlander  
22 Release a deadbolt  
24 Cover  
25 Altar constellation  
26 Abba-inspired hit musical  
27 Buck

29 Constitution letters  
30 Family docs  
33 Church section  
36 Caught some z's  
38 Almost  
40 Ump  
42 "Lion King" villain  
43 Sainly ring  
44 Faction  
46 Travel permit  
47 Dutch cheese  
48 Collections  
50 Regret

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**Weekly SUDOKU**

by Linda Thistle

3	2		4			7		
	9				3		5	
		5		2				6
2			5			6	4	
	8				7			1
		1		6		2		
	7		3		5			4
8				4				1
		3			6	9		

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

1. U.S. PRESIDENTS: Who was the first president to sign into law a declaration of war?
2. TELEVISION: What was the name of the federal agent in the 1990s drama "Twin Peaks"?
3. GEOGRAPHY: What is the smallest country in South America?
4. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What is the color maroon?
5. INVENTIONS: When was the can opener invented?
6. MOVIES: What was Andy Dufresne's profession before he was sent to prison in 1994's "The Shawshank Redemption"?
7. U.S. STATES: Which state was the last one to be admitted to the union?
8. FAMOUS QUOTES: Who wrote this about summer, "Live in the sunshine. Swim in the sea. Drink in the wild air"?
9. HISTORY: In what year were the first slaves from Africa brought on a ship to the American colonies?
10. GEOLOGY: What kind of rock is coal?

Just Like Cats & Dogs by Dave T. Phipps

NO, I'M SORRY, YOU MISUNDERSTAND. WHEN I SAY YOU'RE A "MIRACLE OF MODERN SCIENCE" THAT IS NOT IN A GOOD WAY.

Puzzle Solutions on Page 13

**LAFF-A-DAY**

BUREAU OF MISSING PERSONS

"He used to come and talk to us every day, but we haven't seen or heard from since we elected

**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!

Sever CHATED   
Pole TILTS   
Devour SETING   
Talled DECORS

TODAY'S WORD

"I gotta hang up now and help Mom. She's coming in \_\_\_\_\_."

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HE SURE KEEPS HIS NEW CAR SPOTLESS... INSIDE AND OUT...

# BY AL SCADUTO

WHY DOCTORS DRINK ALONE—

DOCTOR—I HAVE THIS HACKING COUGH...

DOC—ARE MY TONSILS INFLAMED?

TELL ME, DOC—CAN A GALLBLADDER GROW BACK?

ASK HIM WHAT TO DO ABOUT YOUR BACK-ACHE, ANGUS...

THANK TO LEA WEISS, JONKERS, N.J.

THANK TO TOM PEAT, DANBURY, CT.

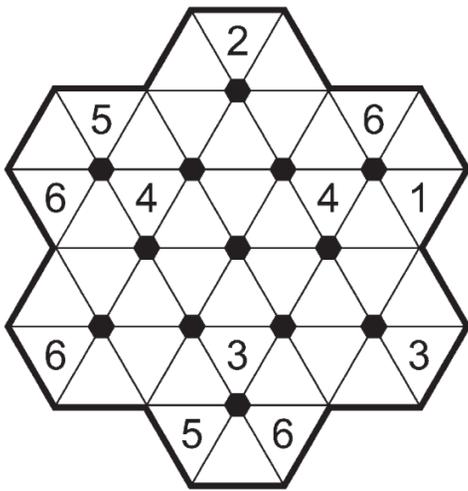
**GRIN & BEAR IT**

"Rodney refuses to drive your SUV, Daddy. May we use the hybrid?"

# 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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## 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.

	÷		+		13
×		+		×	
	+		×		25
-		×		-	
	-		×		16
12		15		26	

**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:

1	5	3	1	2	1	5	3	1	2
5	4	1	3	4	5	4	1	3	4
3	4	3	1	5	3	4	3	1	5
4	4	2	3	3	4	4	2	3	3
2	1	5	4	4	2	1	5	4	4

- 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.

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

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# Puzzles4Kids

by Helene Hovanec

## CODER 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

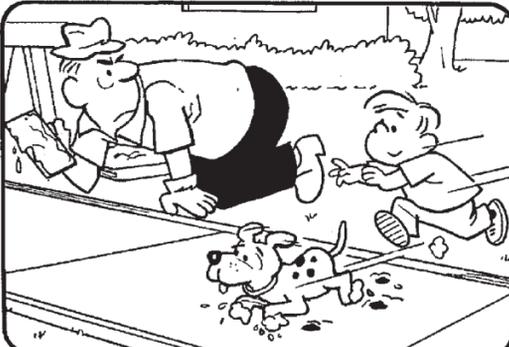
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PO GBUIFS'T EBZ?

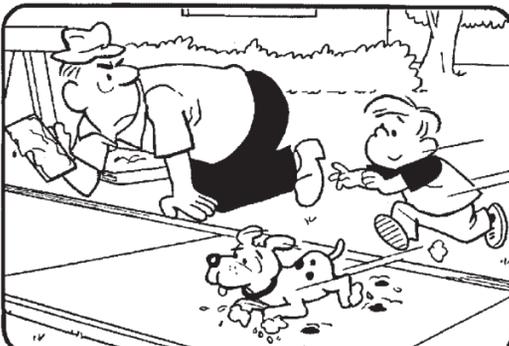
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## HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Collar is different; 2. Spot is missing; 3. Tail is shorter; 4. Glove is removed; 5. Drip is missing; 6. Shirt is different.

## MAGIC MAZE ● SWAMPS

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

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally  
Unlisted clue hint: A Swamp is a Wetland With —

- |            |           |             |          |
|------------|-----------|-------------|----------|
| Asmat      | Great     | Niger Delta | Ratargul |
| Candaba    | Green     | Okefenokee  | Sudd     |
| Congaree   | Honey Is. | Pantanal    | Vasyugan |
| Everglades | Mangrove  | Pripyat     |          |

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## Wishing Well®

2	7	2	7	8	7	6	4	5	4	3	5	8
A	M	W	A	T	K	B	M	F	A	P	U	A
6	5	3	8	2	3	8	2	8	5	7	3	8
E	T	R	K	O	A	E	N	I	U	E	C	N
4	6	3	8	4	6	8	6	8	2	4	2	4
K	C	T	I	E	H	T	A	I	D	S	E	O
5	4	2	4	6	5	3	2	6	3	4	6	8
R	M	R	E	R	E	I	F	M	C	O	I	A
7	6	3	7	5	4	3	5	7	5	2	5	7
A	N	E	M	U	N	F	N	E	C	U	L	N
3	4	6	5	3	7	8	2	8	7	4	3	2
A	E	G	O	I	D	T	L	I	S	H	T	D
3	2	4	5	4	2	5	8	4	5	8	4	5
H	A	A	U	P	Y	D	V	P	E	E	Y	D

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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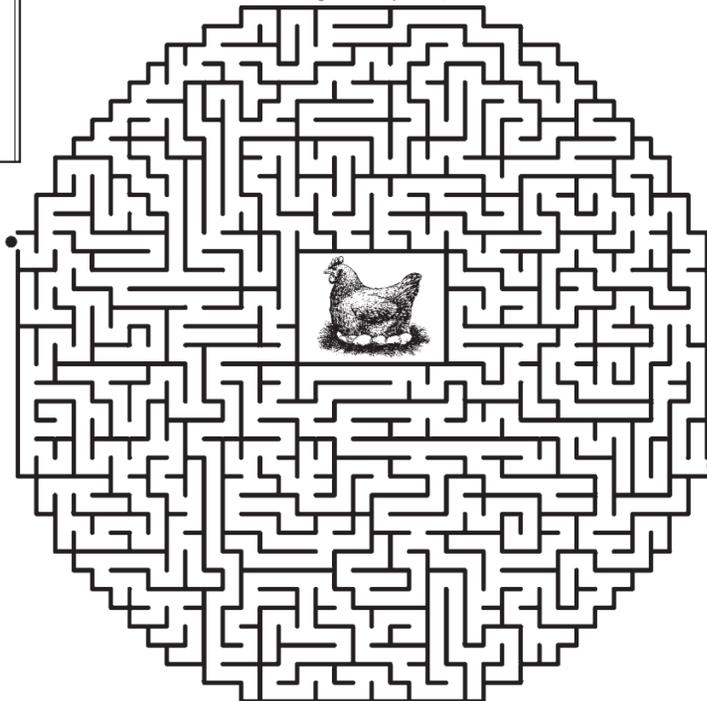
# Newspapers In Education

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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 13

Kids' Maze

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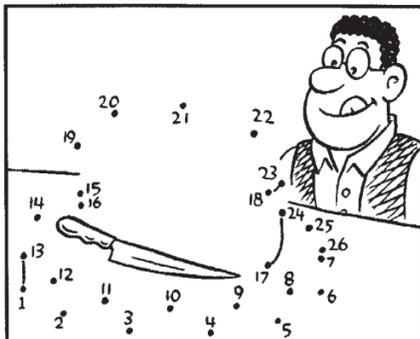
## Even Exchange

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.

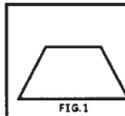
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|----------------------|---------------|-------------------|---------------|
| 1. _____ Luther King | _____ T _____ | Hemingway's fish  | _____ L _____ |
| 2. Royal headwear    | C _____       | Puckered brow     | F _____       |
| 3. Pancake mixture   | _____ A _____ | Toast topping     | _____ U _____ |
| 4. Tonsils' location | _____ O _____ | Menacing warning  | _____ E _____ |
| 5. Full of energy    | _____ E _____ | Litter member     | _____ U _____ |
| 6. Cooked an egg     | _____ I _____ | Set loose         | _____ E _____ |
| 7. Ice cream treat   | _____ _____ E | Holy day          | _____ _____ Y |
| 8. Code inventor     | _____ R _____ | Mickey or Mighty  | _____ U _____ |
| 9. Front-runner      | _____ A _____ | Financier         | _____ N _____ |
| 10. Explosion        | _____ L _____ | Fly your own kite | _____ O _____ |

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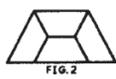


WHAT MOST RESEMBLES HALF A CHEESE?  
Connect the dots and find out!

Answer: The other half.



A BETCHA PUZZLE! Place an odd-shaped piece of paper (fig. 1) on the table and challenge your friends to cut it into four equal pieces, all the same size and shape. The solution is shown in figure 2.



CHAIN REACTION! Take the seven letters printed below our diagram and place them in the circles so that eight four-letter words can be read, top to bottom, along the connecting lines. All the words will begin with the letter in the top circle.



Answers: Top to bottom, left to right: Dams, dame, dare, darl, dire, dirt, dirt, dine.

## Junior Whirl

by Charles Barry Townsend

TALLYHO, WORD SEARCHERS!

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



Hidden in the diagram above are names and words associated with horses. They can be found by reading up or down, or side to side. You'll even find them diagonally going up or down. Letters can be used more than once. Listed below are the words you're looking for.

- |          |           |          |
|----------|-----------|----------|
| ARABIAN  | GRASS     | QUARTER  |
| BELGIAN  | HARNESS   | SHETLAND |
| CARRIAGE | ICELANDIC | STALLION |
| CIRCUS   | MUSTANG   | TROTTER  |
| DONKEY   | PASTURE   | WALKING  |
| GAIT     | PERCHERON |          |

# COMMUNITY NEWS

## Ribbon cutting and grand opening celebrated at Orchid Banquet Hall

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The Orchid Banquet Hall and Event Center became Quincy's newest event hall during a grand opening and ribbon cutting celebration on Tuesday, May 25.

The Orchid is located within the Quincy city limits, behind the courthouse on the square in downtown Quincy next to Capital City Bank.

The owner, Dr. Carolyn Allen was surrounded by close family and friends for the ribbon cutting ceremony.

Penny O'Connell, Executive Director of Quincy Main Street helped to organize the

event.

In attendance were members of the Gadsden County Chamber of Commerce and members of The Gadsden County Art Center.

During the grand opening ceremony, Dr. Allen thanked Robert Nixon of the Quincy Community Redevelopment Agency for his assistance in making her business a reality through the agency's funding assistance.

If you are interested in booking for your next event, contact the event hall at (850) 254-1187.



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The Orchid Banquet Hall and Event Center hosted a ribbon cutting in late May to celebrate the grand opening of the new event hall, which is owned by Dr. Carolyn Allen. Attending the event were several Quincy business owners, members of the Gadsden Arts Center, and the Gadsden County Chamber of Commerce.

## Chattahoochee racks up seventh store grand-opening at Rack-Eem Up Seafood



PHOTO BY CHACORYIA BURNS

The City of Chattahoochee welcomed its seventh store grand opening within the last three months with the ribbon cutting ceremony on June 4 for Rack-Eem Up Seafood. The new seafood, sandwich, and wing stop is owned by Rackeem and Genaya Miller.

Chacoryia Burns  
Gadsden County News Service

The growth of commerce in the downtown Chattahoochee area continues with a local couple opening their family-owned restaurant, Rack-Eem Up Seafood on June 4.

The new chapter of opening their first business for Rackeem and Genaya Miller began in the wake of COVID-19.

Before COVID-19, Genaya Miller says she worked as a pharmacy technician in a hospital, while also being a full-time mother to two children.

Once the pandemic began and schools started to have mandatory online classes, the Millers said it became difficult for both parents to balance the new pandemic challenges while remaining employed full-time.

In light of those challenges, Genaya Miller decided to put her seafood-cooking skills to work.

"I love to bring joy through cooking. My daughter Nova then gave me the idea of cooking, saying 'Mommy, I'll make lemonade and you cook.' So although the times were challenging, it became a blessing in disguise," said Genaya Miller.

The name "Rack-Eem Up" was inspired by the name of the restaurant's second owner, Rackeem Miller.

"My mother always found it interesting how Rackeem has a C and a K in his name when they

both make the same sound," said Genaya Miller. "She would always joke around saying RACK EM! RACK EM! An idea instantly popped up in my head giving me the idea of naming the restaurant what it is today."

The City of Chattahoochee, as well as neighboring store owners, came to show support to the new restaurant during their grand opening and ribbon cutting on June 4.

Chattahoochee City Manager Robert Presnell showed his excitement and encouragement to have Rack-Eem Up Seafood as the seventh business to open in the Chattahoochee city limits within the past three months.

"The City of Chattahoochee is extremely excited for the downtown business that we are currently seeing. We try our best to work with local businesses with whatever they may need, as well as not charging certain fees that other cities charge while opening their business" said Presnell.

County Commissioner Kimblin Nesmith also addressed the new phase that Chattahoochee is moving towards.

"The City of Chattahoochee is experiencing a renaissance, and it is a economic development renaissance which is very exciting because economic development creates a family-friendly environment and that's what we're striving for here in Chattahoochee!" said Nesmith.

The Rack-Eem Up Seafood Restaurant is now open and sells seafood, wings, sandwiches and more to the community.

The restaurant is located at 19 North Bolivar Avenue, in Chattahoochee.

## Riverchase in Quincy receives deficiency-free rating



PHOTO COURTESY RIVERCHASE HEALTH AND REHABILITATION CENTER

The Riverchase Health and Rehabilitation Center, located in Quincy, was recently inspected by the Agency for Health Care Administration. During that inspection, the center was determined to be deficiency-free regarding its staffing, cleanliness of environment, nursing and rehabilitation services, activities and dining services, resident rights, and administration.

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Riverchase Health and Rehabilitation Center, located in Quincy, was recently inspected by the Agency for Health Care Administration, and received a deficiency-free survey rating during the 2021 annual survey conducted from April 26 through April 28.

"We are proud to announce that we will continue to hold our 5-Star Status," says the health and rehabilitation center.

The Agency for Health Care Administration is responsible for ensuring that the state's skilled nursing and rehabilitation centers continue to comply with mandatory state and federal regulations regarding care, such as staffing, cleanliness of environment, nursing and rehabilitation services, activities and dining services, resident rights, and administration.

These rigorous inspections, called surveys, are conducted on a no-notice basis, and conducted

by a team of health care professionals.

According to data by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, only about 10 percent of nursing facilities in the nation receive a deficiency-free survey rating annually, a point that Riverchase says illustrates their center's prestigious accomplishment and compliance with all regulations to ensure the highest level of resident well-being in a quality setting.

"Riverchase encourages prospective families who tour Riverchase at Quincy, and other communities, to request a copy of state surveys and compare results," invites the center.

When a family needs care for their loved one, the survey is an important tool in understanding how residences are rated and which communities are performing at the highest level.

Ultimately, the survey's purpose is to evaluate the quality of life and care received by the residents.

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# COMMUNITY NEWS

## Quincy police arrest suspect in weekend burglary case

Ashley Hunter  
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The Quincy Police Department reports that an alleged suspect in a series of burglaries that took place over the first weekend in June has been placed under arrest.

According to the department, Quincy officers arrested 29-year-old Christopher Hanna on Tuesday, June 1 on charges related to the weekend burglaries.

"The arrest was a collaborative effort between the Quincy Police

Department and the community to solve the neighborhood problems," said Quincy's Interim Chief Robert Mixson. "If you see something, say something"

Anyone who has information about a crime or suspicious activity, and wishes to make an anonymous report can call Crime Stoppers at (850) 574-TIPS.

You could receive a reward in this case up to \$5,000.00 if your information leads to an arrest.



PHOTO: QPD  
Christopher Hannah

## LIBRARIAN'S BOOK OF THE WEEK



**Book of the week:** *Amulet: The Stonekeeper* by Kazu Kibuishi  
**Picked by:** Library Assistant Alaysha Henderson  
**Reading level:** Youth - ages 7-12

### Synopsis:

After the tragic death of their father, Emily and Navin move with their mother to the home of her deceased great-grandfather, but the strange house proves to be dangerous. Before long, a sinister creature lures the kids' mom through a door in the basement. Em and Navin, desperate not to lose her, follow her into an underground world inhabited by demons, robots, and talking animals. Eventually, they enlist the help of a small mechanical rabbit named Miskit. Together with Miskit, they face the most terrifying monster of all, and Em finally has the chance to save someone she loves.

### From the librarian:

"This is a great book for anyone that enjoys watching cartoons and reading comics: 2 in 1"

### How to get the book:

*Amulet: The Stonekeeper* by Kazu Kibuishi is available for check out at the Main Library in Quincy.

## Arrest Reports

Names listed are persons accused of a crime. They are presumed innocent unless declared guilty by a court of law.

### GADSDEN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

June 14, 2021

- William Francis, III - Domestic battery, resisting arrest without violence, and child support from Leon County.
- Lamonte Ghant - Domestic battery.
- Terrance Washington - Out of county warrant.
- Phenita Lockwood - Out of county warrant.
- Errell Oliver - Possession of marijuana (more than 20 grams), possession of drug paraphernalia (two counts), and possession of stolen driver's license.
- Jermaine Davis - Possession of marijuana (more than 20 grams), possession of drug paraphernalia (three counts), and possession of stolen driver's license.
- Stephon Green - Fleeing and eluding law enforcement, DUI, reckless driving, possession of drug paraphernalia (two counts), possession of marijuana (more than 20 grams), battery, and contempt of court.
- David Smith, Jr. - Out of county warrant, weapon offense, possession of synthetic narcotic, possession of marijuana more than 20 grams (three counts), delivery or selling

within 1,000 feet of a place of worship (three counts), possession of drug paraphernalia, possession of a weapon by a convicted felon, drug trafficking, and possession of a concealed weapon (brass knuckles).

- Michael Bezwiechin - Vehicle theft.
- Louis Hurst - Battery.
- William Miller - Domestic battery, and domestic battery by strangulation.
- Andrew Kelly - Domestic battery.
- Nancy Castelli - Failure to appear,
- Aldric Akins - Possession of drug paraphernalia, possession of a controlled substance, and no valid driver's license.
- Daniel Riano Yesca - Domestic aggravated battery, and violation of probation.
- Gary Ray - Trespassing.

### Abbreviations Key:

Failure to Appear (FTA); Passing Worthless Bank Checks (PWBC); With Intent to Sell (WITS); Resisting Officer Without Violence (ROWOV); Driving While License Suspended or Revoked (DWLSR); Violation of Probation (VOP); Driving Under the Influence (DUI); Law Enforcement Officer (LEO).

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**Puzzles4Kids**  
Answer

What do eggs tell their dads on Father's Day?  
Your dad yolks crack me up.

**SCRAMBLERS**  
solution

1. Detach 2. Stilt;  
3. Ingest; 4. Scored

Today's Word  
**LOADED**

**CryptoQuip**  
answer

Busy hub in the Big Apple where folks trade footwear all day: New York Sock Exchange.

**CryptoQuote**  
answer

To love is to admire with the heart; to admire is to love with the mind.  
— Theophile Gautier

**PUZZLE SOLUTIONS FROM PAGES 8 & 9**

**King Crossword**  
Answers  
Solution time: 22 mins.

**Go Figure!**  
answers

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x		+		x	
3	+	2	x	5	25
-		x		-	
9	-	5	x	4	16
12		15		26	

**Even Exchange**  
answers

- Martin, Marlin
- Crown, Frown
- Batter, Butter
- Throat, Threat
- Peppy, Puppy
- Fried, Freed
- Sundae, Sunday
- Morse, Mouse
- Leader, Lender
- Blast, Boast

**Puzzles4Kids**  
Answer

What do eggs tell their dads on Father's Day?  
Your dad yolks crack me up.

**Mega Maze**  
Solution

**Kids' Maze Solution**

**Hitori**  
answer

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

**Weekly SUDOKU**  
Answer

3	2	6	4	5	1	7	8	9
4	9	8	6	7	3	1	5	2
7	1	5	9	2	8	4	3	6
2	3	7	5	1	9	6	4	8
6	8	4	2	3	7	5	9	1
9	5	1	8	6	4	2	7	3
1	7	2	3	9	5	8	6	4
8	6	9	7	4	2	3	1	5
5	4	3	1	8	6	9	2	7

**TRIVIA**  
ANSWERS

- James Madison, War of 1812
- Agent Dale Cooper
- Suriname
- Dark brownish red
- 1858 — almost 50 years after canned food was invented
- Banker
- Hawaii
- Ralph Waldo Emerson
- 1619
- Sedimentary

**SWAMPS**

# One of Us: Gadsden-raised Tallahassee baseball coach makes a difference in the world of sports

By Dejana Oliver

Gadsden County News Service

There are many people who have made their mark on Tallahassee by impacting the community and creating a legacy around change - one such name being added to the list of difference makers is Jamey Shouppe, who is transforming the community around sports, one baseball team at a time.

Shouppe was raised in Gadsden County's Chattahoochee, and as a small-town kid, he played many sports including basketball and football.

His love for baseball outshone the other sports he played, and he continued to play through high school.

After graduating from high school, Shouppe played baseball for two years at Wallace Community College in Alabama, until he was signed on to the Florida State University team.

Shouppe's love for baseball brought him to the organization of Major League Baseball (MLB), where he was drafted by the Houston Astros in 1982; he was an eighth round pick, and he played four seasons with the team.

During his time with the Astros, Shouppe says he not only learned how to perfect his craft, but also an invaluable lesson on teamwork.

"You learn to get along with all kinds of people from all different countries and all different backgrounds...you learn your culture is not the only culture," Shouppe said. "And so those are the lessons that bode well not only in coaching but in life as well."

After four years of playing in the Minor Leagues, Shouppe went back to Florida State University to play with the Tallahassee-based team - but not as an athlete.

Returning to Tallahassee, Shouppe took on the job of the university's baseball recruiting coordinator, a role he held for 21 years as he sought about finding the next baseball superstars for the university.

Under his tenure, the university's baseball team had 10 teams that went to the College World Series, and Shouppe believes that one of his greatest accomplishments was being able to put teams together who were able to win awards and play well together.

Shouppe made such an impact at Florida State University, that Florida A&M University wanted him to coach their team.



Photo Courtesy of FAMU Athletics

Jamey Shouppe

This would be Shouppe's first time as head coach of a team.

At the time, the Florida A&M University baseball program was down, and the team had never won any major titles - Shouppe wanted the chance to rebuild the program, and during his first year as coach, the team set a National Collegiate Athletic Association record for biggest turnaround after winning 28 ballgames.

In his eight years as head coach at Florida A&M University, the team has won the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference game twice and competed in the National Collegiate Athletic Association tournament for the first time in school history.

Shouppe was able to put Florida A&M University's baseball team "on the map" and he says he is very proud of that.

"The biggest thing was just the genuine love at Florida A&M University that people have," Shouppe said. "Everyone is friendly and it was a hungry situation. Everybody was hungry to get the baseball program turned around and headed in the right direction."

For Shouppe, the most important thing was not the amount of wins the team had. He wanted to make sure the players left the team disciplined young men.

He wants to instill hard work and dedication in them so they can be successful on and off the field.

"I have learned more about treating young men the right way because a lot of times we see them as kids and it's our job to help them grow up to be responsible young men," Shouppe said. "The wins are still important but there are things that are more important than just wins, and that's teaching these young men to win in life."

Shouppe says he wants to continue working with the Florida A&M University baseball team and improve the program even more.

He plans on coaching for the next six to seven years, and wants the team to compete at an even higher level.

His contributions to Tallahassee universities have helped boys grow to men, and he is not ready to stop any time soon.

"It's a little more special when you are able to be in a program and attempt to accomplish things that have never been accomplished before," Shouppe said. "I would like to finish out my career at Florida A&M University, and again accomplish some more firsts for the baseball team."

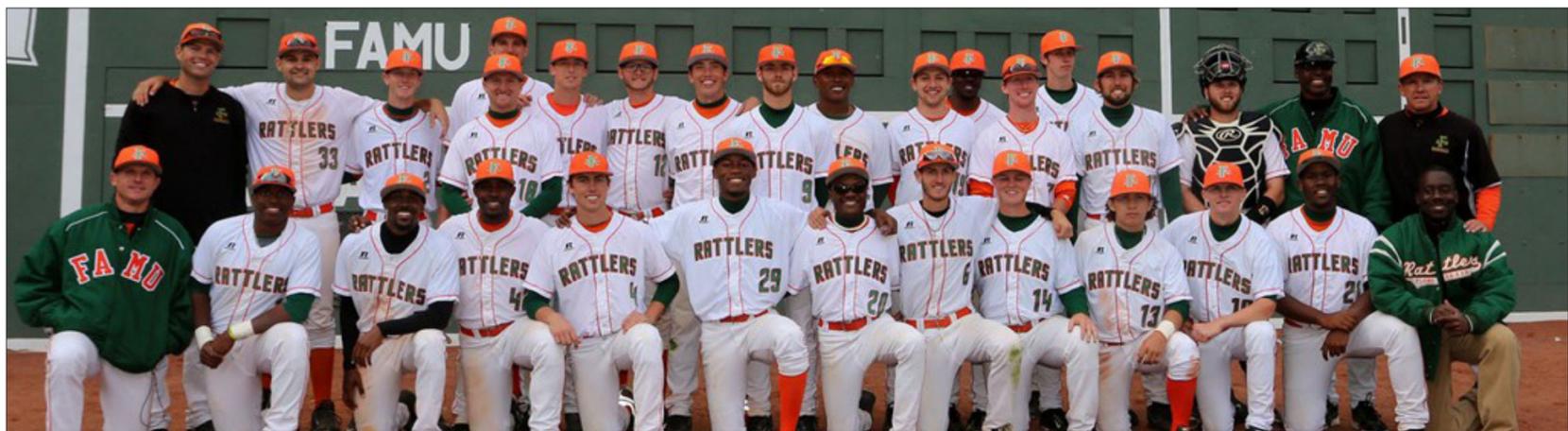


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Jamey Shouppe is the head coach with the Florida A&M University Rattlers baseball team. During his time with the orange-and-green team, Shouppe has helped resurrect the university's baseball program and lead them to national accomplishments. Shouppe is a former resident of Chattahoochee.



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