



Out to see

'Butts and Clucks' Saturday benefits Weems

The annual Butts and Clucks Cook-off by the Bay this Saturday, May 10, sponsored by the Weems Healthcare Foundation, will feature friendly competition among at least eight teams in Battery Park in Apalachicola over who makes the best chicken and pork. Pork dinners and sandwiches go on sale at 11 a.m., and the live auction, conducted by Harry Arnold and Chuck Spicer, will begin at 1 p.m.

Seahawks to scrimmage Saturday

The 2014 Red vs. Black game will be the featured attraction this Saturday, May 10 at the Mikel Clark Sports Complex. Friends and families of the varsity football team are invited to watch the intramural game, meet the coaches and players, eat lunch and support the team. A minimum donation of \$5 to attend the day's activities includes lunch of a hamburger, hot dog or pulled pork sandwich, drink and chips.

Full moon climb at lighthouse Wednesday

The May Full Moon Climb at the Cape St. George Lighthouse on St. George Island will be Wednesday, May 14. The Sunset Climb is 8-9:30 p.m. and includes light hors d'oeuvres and sparkling cider toast. Cost is \$15 for the general public and \$10 for members of the St. George Lighthouse Association. The sun will set at 8:25 p.m., and the moon will rise at 8:31 p.m. After sunset, people may climb to the top of the lighthouse, at a cost of \$10 for the general public and \$5 for association members. For more information, call 927-7745.

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Drunk driver in fatality given 10 years

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The 24-year-old Carrabelle woman whose drunk driving led to a crash two years ago that killed one of her passengers was sentenced last week to more than 10 years in state prison.

At an emotional hearing April 30 before Circuit Judge George Reynolds, Rebecca Ann Padowitz, 24, was given 125.4 months in



REBECCA PADOWITZ



RONA HAWKINS

state prison, with credit for 432 days spent in the county jail since the April 17, 2012, death of Rona

Lavon Hawkins, 28, of Sopchoppy. It was Padowitz's 22nd birthday.

Padowitz also received three years' probation and was ordered to pay a \$2,550 fine and \$250 in attorney's fees for the DUI-manslaughter count on which she was convicted March 13 by a jury of four men and two women.

Hawkins died at the scene of the one-car crash after his 2001 Jeep Grand Cherokee, driven by Padowitz, spun out of control on U.S. 98 about 1.6 miles

west of Lake Morality Road and about 0.8 miles east of the city of Carrabelle.

Hawkins, son of Sopchoppy mayor Colleen Skipper, was a star linebacker at Lincoln High School, from which he graduated in 2002.

Skipper did not attend the sentencing hearing, although a letter she wrote was read aloud to the court by Hawkins' sister.

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HISTORIC APALACHICOLA HOME AND GARDEN TOUR



PHOTOS BY LOIS SWOBODA | The Times

A grouping of shade tolerant plants adds major curb appeal to the Seventh Street cottage of Gary Joiner and Butch Rowell. Below, the former Ronat Sangaree house has an open feel and loads of light.

April showers bring home tour flowers

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After a week of rainy weather, the sun came out on Saturday and smiled on the 22nd annual Historic Apalachicola Home and Garden Tour.

Organizers said they believe they lost a number of visitors from areas west of Panama City because of the impact of severe storms earlier in the week, including two groups from Pensacola that canceled ticket reservations.

All told, about 700 visitors

took in this year's tour, which organizer Susan Clementson said was in line with the numbers attracted in 2012 and 2013. Almost 250 lunches were served by the ladies of Trinity Episcopal Church, which sponsors the tour.

With some yards temporarily converted to lakefront property, tour organizers took a proactive approach to damage control and distributed disposable booties to homeowners to encase damp footwear. Pam Richardson went even further at her Ninth Street cottage and created brick stepping-

stones the morning of the event to provide guests with a waterless walkway.

There was a bright side to the unusually wet spring. Lawns and gardens were sparkling fresh and beautifully green. The temperature was also perfect for walking and biking around town, and stormy days had swept the air clean of seasonal pollen.

The Whiteside Wheatley house was the featured home on this year's tour. Briana Wheatley, originally from

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Brownsworth to leave Weems

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Weems Memorial Hospital CEO Ray Brownsworth told county commissioners Tuesday morning he would be leaving his post July 18, as



RAY BROWNSWORTH

he and his family plan to move back to Iowa.

Brownsworth, who stabilized the hospital's often tumultuous fortunes in the 20 months he has been at the helm, said he has accepted the chief executive officer position at a hospital of comparable size in southeastern Iowa.

He said his decision was motivated in part by his family's desire to be closer to his 19- and 20-year-old daughters, as well as his wife, Lori's, parents. The family circle in Apalachicola also includes daughter Sarah and sons Luke and Adam Hames.

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ELECTION 2014

Election season starts to heat up

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With petitions due back in the Supervisor of Elections Ida Elliott's office by May 19, a handful of candidates have signaled their intent to run on the Nov. 4 elections.

The county commission and school board seats are up for grabs in District 2, the easternmost district encompassing from the portions of Carrabelle, Lanark Village and Alligator Point, and in District 4, which is the westernmost district, mainly the historic district of Apalachicola.

Both incumbents in District 2 — County Commissioner Cheryl Sanders and School Board Member David Hinton — have signaled their intent to recapture their seats, a process that enables them to fundraise.

In District 4, neither incumbent —

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At left, Invited plein air artist Mitch Kolbe paints the waterfront. At right, Invited plein air painter Greg LaRock took an Honorable Mention.

# Millender Park's Quickdraw taps the turpentine

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Eastpoint's Millender Park was the scenic ground zero for both budding and seasoned painters Saturday, as the Forgotten Coast's Great Plein Air Paint-Out held its Quickdraw event.

Once the horn blew at 10 a.m., 70 competitors, 21 of them invited participants from among the visiting plein air artists, busied themselves with capturing everything from the gnarled stumps that line the waterfront to the stately trees that grace the park.

Two hours later on the sunny and dry morning, the horn sounded again, and the painters placed their easels in a circle in the center of the park.

Judge Robert Stenstream, who owns an Ocala gallery specializing in 19th and 20th century American and European art, then slowly circled the drying works to make his choices for First Place Overall, Best Emerging Artist and three Honorable Mentions.

Winning \$50 each for being among the Honorable Mentions were three of the invited artists: Lori Putnam, from Charlotte, Tenn.,

Luke Buck, from Nineveh, Ind., and Greg LaRock, from Newport Beach, Calif.

Receiving \$75 as Best Emerging Artist, selected from among the ranks of the artists who are not part of the plein air paint-out, was Natalia Andreeva, from Tallahassee, who painted the band that performed under the pavilion, "Up Close and In Person," featuring KT and Mexico Joe. Andreeva was a participant in the 2009, 2011, 2012 and 2013 Forgotten Coast Great Plein Air Paint-Outs.

Taking home First Place Overall, and \$100, was invited artist Leon Holmes, originally from Perth, Australia, and now living in Munich, Germany.

"It has a very painterly quality to it, with good color harmonies," Stenstream said. "It sort of pops out."

The judge had high praise for the many works he examined. "The quality of the art is fantastic," he said. "Lots of good artists, both invited and non-invited."

Stenstream said he paid attention to the combination of color, composition, simplicity and design.

"In some, what gets to be the main factor is 'Does this come off the canvas and hit



Invited plein air artist Leon Holmes took first place at the Quickdraw.

you?" he said. "Overall the work is very good."

Winning pieces were moved to a special display area in the "Wetroom" at the Apalachicola Center for History, Culture and Art.

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## PLEIN AIR PAINTOUT WRAPS UP SUNDAY

The Forgotten Coast's Great Plein Air Paint-Out continues through this weekend.

On Friday, May 9, an artists' roundtable discussion "Art As A Window" will be from 2-4 p.m. in the wet room at the Apalachicola Center for History, Culture and Art.

From 2-4 p.m. on Friday, May 9, and from 9-11 a.m. on Saturday, May 10, there will be artists demonstrations at Apalachicola's Riverfront Park.

On Saturday, May 10, the Grand Patrons' Party will be held in the wet room at the Apalachicola Center for History, Culture and Art from 6-10 p.m. Meet the artists, view and purchase their works. Debut of Artists Choice painting. \$40 per ticket.

On Sunday, May 11, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Apalachicola Center for History, Culture and Art, will be "Art In The Afternoon" This is the final exhibit and sale, and will feature family entertainment, children's art activities and more.



Emerging plein air artist Lynette Miesen, from Niceville, paints what she sees.

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In the letter, Skipper did not refer to Padowitz or express a view on a possible sentence. She wrote that she at first kept thinking her son had only been injured, but once she learned the terrible news, she has struggled with coping with the devastating loss. She said the family, which includes Hawkins' 10-year-old daughter, has searched for answers as to what happened that fateful night, and that though she did not want to endure a trial, Skipper said it has enabled her to find some solace in learning what happened.

Padowitz's attorney, Brian Hill of Port St. Joe, who was assigned the case as conflict counsel, had filed a motion to have Reynolds apply the non-binding recommendation of five years in prison and five years probation that was made by the pre-sentence investigator.

Reynolds chose not to go with a downward departure from the lengthier sentence, which was much closer to the maximum of 15 years Padowitz could have received.

Informed sources say Padowitz had declined a plea agreement of four years offered by the state's attorney's office and instead opted to go to trial.

In a tearful statement before the judge, she said, "I stand here today with the highest respect, your honor, also with faith, faith that God has put in your heart to have mercy on me.

"One life has tragically been lost, a nightmare that wakes me every day," Padowitz said. "I just want to say I'm so truly sorry for what happened two years ago, the 17th of April, a day that was a celebration of my life but also a day that took another. I can't change what happened that day, which took my best friend's life and almost mine. I miss him so much, and I know that pain will never go away, and now I'm faced with losing not only my life, but being a leader, role model and mother for my sweet baby girl, whom I hurt every day by being gone.

"Words can't explain how much remorse I truly have about the whole situation," she wrote, noting that upon her release, she planned to move to South Florida and live with her aunt, Janice Simpson, who is the twin sister of Padowitz's mother.

"I realize that I'm going to have to work twice as hard to make up the years I wasted making the wrong decisions," she wrote. "I want to be someone my

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### Rebecca Ann Padowitz

daughter can look up to and respect. I plan to start by making the choice to relocate where jobs, schools and public transportation are abundant.

"Since I've been incarcerated, I've had a lot of time to think about who I was, who I am today and who I want to become, although I feel like I've grown both in terms of humility and my understanding of how my choices affect those around me," Padowitz said. "I realize I still have a lot to learn, and now all I can do is beg the courts to please have leniency on my sentencing today."

On April 24, Padowitz wrote a letter to Reynolds asking for a 72-hour furlough from county jail so she could visit her 4-year-old daughter and the rest of her family from Michigan and South Florida before going off to state prison, but that request was denied.

Simpson wrote Reynolds a March 18 letter of support describing her niece as "a very sweet girl that has made some horrible mistakes in her young life." She described her as "as young mother who could still be a productive member of society, once she pays her debt to society."

Simpson also expressed her pain for the victim's family. "I can only imagine her (Hawkins' mother) suffering," she wrote. "I do hope that she is able to find peace."

The judge also received a letter from Jessica Meloche, who described her sister as "one of the most generous and loyal people I've ever met. She loves her friends and family fiercely and both completely, oftentimes at her own peril."

Meloche said Padowitz is not without faults. "She has poor judgment and wasn't properly equipped to face the challenges that come along with adulthood," she wrote. "She has so much to offer this world and I feel that justice would be served by giving a good person who did a terrible

thing the chance to redeem herself by submitting to God's will and having her to be a functioning member of society. No good can be done by allowing a young woman with so much potential to be locked away in an environment where that potential can never be realized."

Padowitz's father, Glenn, wrote a lengthy April 24 letter to Reynolds, in which he recounted his years living in Franklin County and becoming a first responder and then after training at Gulf Coast State College, an emergency medical technician with the ambulance service, handling hundreds of calls per year.

"In seven years with the Carrabelle Fire Department, I have been responsible for saving several lives, and even brought back a few of my neighbors from death, and I returned them to their families," he wrote.

Glenn Padowitz said he had worked several motor vehicle accidents "in that same place where the accident occurred. It is a dangerous curve with no shoulder and a four-to-six inch drop off the asphalt, causing cars to pull hard off the road, forcing the driver to overcorrect, ending up in the same place Becky died, with cars and trucks overturned."

He said his daughter had received two fractured vertebra in her middle back from the crash and fractured her upper bone in her right arm in several places.

"These are injuries that would continue to give her pain and paralysis for the rest of her life," Padowitz's father wrote.

The Padowitzes have been caring for their granddaughter, with whom they share custody with the girl's father. He appealed for leniency. "Please don't make (the granddaughter), Becky's mother and I live without our loved ones," he wrote. "I can't see how the law sees this in (the granddaughter's) best interest."

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"I had to evaluate what I'm doing with the next 12 years of my life," said Brownworth, 56. "I decided that the investment in my children was the most important thing.

"We like it down here," he said, "We like the area, we like the people, we like the hospital. It's a tough decision thinking about moving back."

An Oklahoma native, Brownworth began as Weems CEO on Oct 8, 2012, after moving here from Siourney, Iowa, where he had worked as a hospital administrator.

"I'm proud of where the hospital is today," he said in an interview Tuesday afternoon. "We're more financially stable than we were 20 months ago when I first started, and cash flow's better."

Brownworth said he is hoping by the time he leaves in mid-July, Weems will have submitted an application to the U.S. Department of Agriculture for a \$10.25 million loan to go toward renovations and additions to the existing hospital, first built in 1959. Included with that application will be an opinion let-

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### Ray Brownworth CEO, Weems Memorial Hospital

ter from the BKD consulting firm as to the feasibility of the project, he said.

"The community can no longer just accept the existing facility," he said. "They're going to have to have a new, renovated facility for the future, and that's because of changes with regulations as well as changes as to how health care is provided."

With almost three-quarters of the hospital's revenues coming from the emergency room and outpatient services, Brownworth said the revamped facility will be limited to fewer than a dozen beds, half the number there are today. Each will be private, with its own rest room and shower area.

"It's a balance of new inpatient and outpatient areas," he said. "The trend is away from inpatient care,

but you need inpatient options locally for those with inpatient needs. Many people don't want to travel 25 miles."

At Tuesday's meeting, Brownworth was flanked by the hospital's new chief financial officer, John Graham, who began at his full-time post April 21.

Graham has said he is not interested in the CEO post, Brownworth said, but has recommended some possible names to put into the mix of candidates to be vetted as possible candidates by Tallahassee Memorial Hospital, which is conducting the search.

"TMH is assisting in the search, but the decision is made locally," Brownworth said. "I'll assist in any way I can, helping to vet candidates, and the board will make the decision."

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County Commissioner Smokey Parish and School Board Member Jimmy Gander — has formally indicated they plan to seek re-election, although there is plenty of time for them enter the race.

The official qualifying period isn't until next month, when it begins at noon June 16 and runs to noon June 20.

Sanders, of P.O. Box 641 in Carrabelle, is the lone Democrat to file a letter of intent for the District 2 county commission seat. Two Republicans have filed, and if they qualify, they will square off in the Aug. 26 primary. They are Mark Nobles, of 10-5 West Pine St. in Lanark Village, and William Snyder, of 2332 Enabob St., in Carrabelle.

Hinton, of 112 Hinton St. in Carrabelle, plans to run for re-election in the nonpartisan race for District 2 school board member. He is being challenged by Wilburn "Ray" Messer, of P.O. Box 482 in Carrabelle. In his candidate filing, Hinton has loaned his campaign \$1,000 with which to fund his campaign.

In the District 4 school board race, Stacy Kirvin, of 142 Deer Patch Road in Apalachicola, has filed his letter of intent and has listed his own \$100 contribution to open his campaign account.

No candidates have surfaced in the District 4 county commission race, as of press time.

In addition to a list of statewide ballot measures, Franklin County voters will have before them a choice for congressman, between incumbent Republican Steve Southerland and Demo-

cratic challenger Gwen Graham. Luther Lee also is running as a write-in candidate, without party affiliation.

In the race for state representative in District 7, which encompasses all of Franklin County, incumbent Republican Halsey Beshears has signaled his desire to seek re-election, with no challengers having as yet surfaced.

Seven incumbent circuit court judges have all filed for re-election: Charles Dodson, Kevin J. Carroll, Frank E. Sheffield, John C. Cooper, Martin A. Fitzpatrick, Charles A. Francis and Angela C. Dempsey.

Although several Democrats and Republicans are running in the primary, Gov. Rick Scott and Democratic challenger Charlie Crist are expected to breeze through the primary and square off in November.

Two Democrats, George H. Sheldon and Perry E. Thurston, are vying in the primary for the right to challenge incumbent Republican attorney general Pam Bondi.

Democrat William Rankin is expected to challenge Republican Chief Financial Officer Jeff Atwater in the general election, and Democrat Thaddeus "Thad" Hamilton is running to unseat Republican Commissioner of Agriculture Adam Putnam.

To vote in the primary, voters must be registered by July 28. To vote in the Nov. 4 general election, all registrations must be in by Oct. 6. Early voting for the primary runs Aug. 11-23, and for the general election, Oct. 20 to Nov. 1.

## News BRIEF

From Staff Reports

### Power lines damaged at Kendrick Park

County law enforcement and the county department of parks and recreation would like information on a large truck that downed power lines at Kendrick Park over the weekend.

Nikki Millender, director of parks and recreation, told county commissioners Tuesday a large truck, possibly a logging truck, pulled through the parking lot at Kendrick Park and completely severed two power lines

serving the parking lot lights. A third wire was left hanging low. The damage was discovered on Monday, May 5.

Millender said power to the lines has been turned off until they can be repaired. She said the existing lines will have to be replaced and is unsure of the cost of repairing the damage.

Parks and recreation will install signs at the entrance to the lot, limiting access to single-axle vehicles only.

Commission Chair Cheryl Sanders suggested the height of the supporting poles for the new lines be increased.

Millender said she will request used poles from Duke Energy.

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## Canada's middle class, cellphones and pillow sales

This is the first in a series on the Dying American Middle Class, with this new column "Arbor Outlook."

"The landlord wants his money...the grocery bill is due." - from "The High Cost of Living" by Tim Ausburn

If you're an American, chances are pretty darn good that you own a cellphone. Products like cellphones have almost become staple consumer items, even for American families with lower incomes.

But cellphone plans for both Mom and Dad and three kids are not inexpensive. Subtract a typical family monthly cellphone bill from the net income of some "middle class" Americans, and there's not as much left for life's other necessities as there once was.

For many middle class families, storing up retirement savings and contributing to college education plans for children are no longer realistic goals. Studies show that wages began to stagnate in the late 1970s and have not kept pace with the cost of living since. Union power declined. Jobs were outsourced. Our manufacturing base was decimated. And now robotics, the new challenge to full employment in the modern American economy, is taking jobs away from willing workers.

More than at any time in our history, the U.S. is becoming a country of "haves" and "have nots," with fewer families in the middle. Much was made of the recent report that Canada, not the U.S., now has the world's wealthiest middle class. For now, we'd settle for a viable middle class. Because without one, the American economy will suffer, and we'll all feel the financial impact. Canada hasn't undergone a housing bubble, and our

northern neighbors are also enjoying an energy boom. But there's no denying that American middle class purchasing power is on the wane.

A fascinating current documentary features an extensive interview with a bedding manufacturer. The manufacturing plant owner makes \$10 million annually. But he is concerned about the middle class. Why? As he says, rich folks only sleep on (and therefore only buy) one or two pillows at a time, just like everybody else. He depends on a more populous and prosperous middle class to purchase his products, as do so many manufacturers of goods and services. When average Americans stopped shopping and spending money in the downturn of 2008, it further escalated our national economic nightmare, because consumer spending traditionally represents 70 percent of GDP.

Many things have contributed to China's rise as an economic power, but one of the biggest factors was the emergence of a middle class that could purchase products made there. China finally has the consumer component of GDP in place. Henry Ford figured this out in 1914 when he raised employee salaries to \$5 a day, primarily so that he could create a home-grown market for folks capable of buying the very cars they were building.

Next week: Real Wages and Inflation

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Arbor Outlook

## Kristallnacht: Broken glass and broken hearts

By ZINNIA NEWMAN  
Special to the Times

**Editor's note:** The following essay, by Franklin County sophomore Zinnia Newman, took second place in the Holocaust Education Resource Council's annual essay contest. Newman, a student of Stephanie Howze-Jones received her award and a \$300 cash prize at a ceremony held in conjunction with the Community Yom Hashoah Holocaust Remembrance Program April 27 at Congregation Shomrei Torah in Tallahassee. Newman was the only essay contest winner, among the fourth through 12th graders who took part, who was from a mainstream public school, the others coming from the Maclay School, Cornerstone Learning Community and the Florida State University School.

Kristallnacht, or "the Night of Broken Glass", was a series of violent anti-Jewish attacks across Germany, parts of Austria, and other German occupied territories on Nov. 9 and 10, 1938. There were many factors leading up to this event, which had many devastating effects and is considered the start of the Holocaust. This essay will address the causes of Kristallnacht, Kristallnacht itself, the effects of Kristallnacht, and its significance.

There was a large background of anti-Semitism, or prejudice against Jews, in Germany, especially after Hitler's rise to power. Although only a small percent of the German population was Jewish, the Nazis singled them out and blamed them for Germany's defeat in World War I and the following economic effects. Many laws were passed to suppress German Jews, and concentration camps were built to house those considered a threat to the Nazi regime.

In 1933, a law was passed limiting the number of Jewish students in public schools. Jews with first names of "non-Jewish origin" were forced to adopt additional names to identify them as Jewish. German Jews' passports were declared invalid until

they had been marked to identify the person as Jewish.

The immediate cause of Kristallnacht was the assassination of Ernst vom Rath, a German diplomat, by Herschel Grynszpan on Nov. 7. Grynszpan was furious about the deportation of his parents a few days prior, which led to his actions. When he was arrested, Grynszpan cried, "Being a Jew is not a crime. I am not a dog. I have a right to live and the Jewish people have a right to exist on Earth. Wherever I have been, I have been chased like an animal."

The Nazi Party chose to use this event to launch a wave of anti-Semitic attacks. When news of vom Rath's death reached the Nazi party, they were enraged. Joseph Goebbels, propaganda minister, delivered a speech blaming the Jews for vom Rath's death, and urging the public to lash out against them. Jewish homes, businesses, and synagogues were plundered and destroyed. The rioters were given orders to not harm any non-Jewish German lives or property, and not to harm foreigners. Police were told to arrest as many Jews as possible, especially healthy, young men.

"We do not give protection to Jews," one police chief stated. "Get out with these children or I'll shoot." A total of 267 synagogues were destroyed. Many were burned while firefighters simply watched; only intervening to stop the fire from spreading to any non-Jewish buildings. About 7,500 Jewish businesses were destroyed and looted, and many Jewish cemeteries were vandalized and devastated. About 91 Jews died, and as many as 30,000 men were arrested and sent to concentration camps.

According to one deportee, "Everyone was loaded onto wagons... Crying women and children, heartrending scenes... Women and children fainting, unconscious, incidents of death, faces as yellow as wax... Women and children half-dead."

Kristallnacht was a turning point in anti-Semitic politics. Afterwards,

anti-Jewish policies increased dramatically. The next day Goebbels stated, "We shed not a tear for them." On the subject of the destroyed synagogues, he said, "They stood in the way long enough. We can use the space made free more usefully than as Jewish fortresses."

Kristallnacht gave the Nazis the opportunity to eradicate Jews from the German public. They stated that the Jews were to blame for the event, and placed a fine on them for the destruction. Insurance payments for businesses were seized, leaving the owners forced to pay off the entire debt. Police reported a high number of rapes and suicides after Kristallnacht. Businesses were later taken from Jews, and they were barred from practicing most professions. Any Jewish children still in school were expelled. Jews could no longer drive or go to "German" theaters.

In his account of the aftermath of the event, Shlomo Wahrman said, "The store was boarded up... Our home no longer offered to us... Our family was now scattered in three different locations." More and more Jews were sent to concentration camps afterwards. From an SS journal, the Nazis hoped to accomplish, "the actual and final end of Jewry in Germany, its complete destruction."

In conclusion, Kristallnacht was a harrowing and horrible event. It is important to remember, not only in respect for those who died or lost their homes and businesses in the event itself, but for the many, many people that were sent to concentration camps, killed, or worse in the aftermath. Since Kristallnacht is considered the start of the Holocaust, the many horrendous and inhumane events that occurred afterwards owe part of their origin to it.

This shows us that prejudice and hatred against another group of people is nothing but destructive, and we should be mindful that such events can, and most likely will, happen if we do not remain attentive and work to stop them.

## CHASING SHADOWS: THE ORIENTAL SALOON



FLORIDA MEMORY PROJECT | Special to The Times

This image borrowed from the collection of the Florida Memory Project shows the interior of an Apalachicola drinking establishment circa 1905, with the proprietor listed as B.F. Hall. Can anyone in our audience suggest where the Oriental Saloon was located or offer any further information about this particular watering hole? Chasing Shadows, a new column, is intended to uncover hidden Franklin County history and help complete the captions of pictures in the state collection. If you have information about a picture here, or have a picture to share, please contact The Times at 653-8868 or email lswoboda@starfl.com.

## Letters to the EDITOR

### BIDWELL HAS SERVED WITH INTELLIGENCE, COURAGE

**Editor's Note:** The following letter was sent this week to members of the Franklin County School Board. At its April meeting, the school board voted unanimously to table the matter of re-hiring Mr. Bidwell as principal and is expected to take it up again at the May 8 meeting.

I am extremely disappointed in your decision not to rehire Eric Bidwell as Franklin County School principal for the coming year.

While I am sure your decision must be legal, I believe that you have made that decision based on limited information and opinions. I am also reasonably certain that you made your decision without having access to significant student performance data, because the results of our annual testing have not yet been released.

Finally, I believe that you made your decision without giving the larger community of Franklin County the

opportunity to share its opinions and insights with you, and I think that the input that you missed would have been critical to your making a balanced, constructive decision.

I believed that with its selection of Mr. Bidwell as its next principal the district had finally moved toward stability and long-term growth, but I fear that your decision is strong evidence that little has changed, and that we must be prepared for another painful period of transition.

Mr. Bidwell has served the school, the district, and its communities with intelligence, clarity, and courage. I wish him well.

Sincerely,

Charles Wilkinson  
Teacher,  
Franklin County School

### HONORED TO LIVE IN A WONDERFUL PLACE

In September, my wife Katie and I will have lived in this wonderful town for two years. They say, "You can observe a lot just by

watching." Our observation is, being here is just like living in the '50s. We walk downtown almost every day and visit with as many merchants as we can. We've dined in almost every eatery available. We have our favorites, but I won't editorialize.

My wife always remarks how friendly everyone is, and we try to return this kindness whenever we can. The newspaper is a Thursday morning "must" for us. The Times is far and away ahead of its time (no pun), and it's "dizzying" in the way the editor and his staff do such a fantastic job of covering the news week-after-week. Their motto should be changed to "No sooner done than said," (this isn't original, I know). It is a fantastic read, and Katie and I peruse it from front to back with each issue. My favorite is the 'Sports' section and, again, the paper is 'second' to none.

We are both retired - Katie was an integral part of the Kennedy Space Center for 20 years and has

seen every Shuttle Launch from 1990 to the last one in, I believe, 2010. We cheered with each success and mourned the ones ending in tragedy.

Again, we are honored to be part of this wonderful place, and to paraphrase Lao Tzu, "We have no complaints."

Lathan and Katie Hudson

### UNSCRUPULOUS REAL ESTATE AGENTS SHOULD BE REPORTED

Next time somebody is arrested or charged in this town, ask how certain real estate agents can "lie" and charge people for work they have not done. Why isn't this person in jail? Why no license suspension? A different set of rules for them than you and me.

Also, remember you people who don't report them, you allow a liar and thief to do it over and over again to other innocent people.

Robert Tucker  
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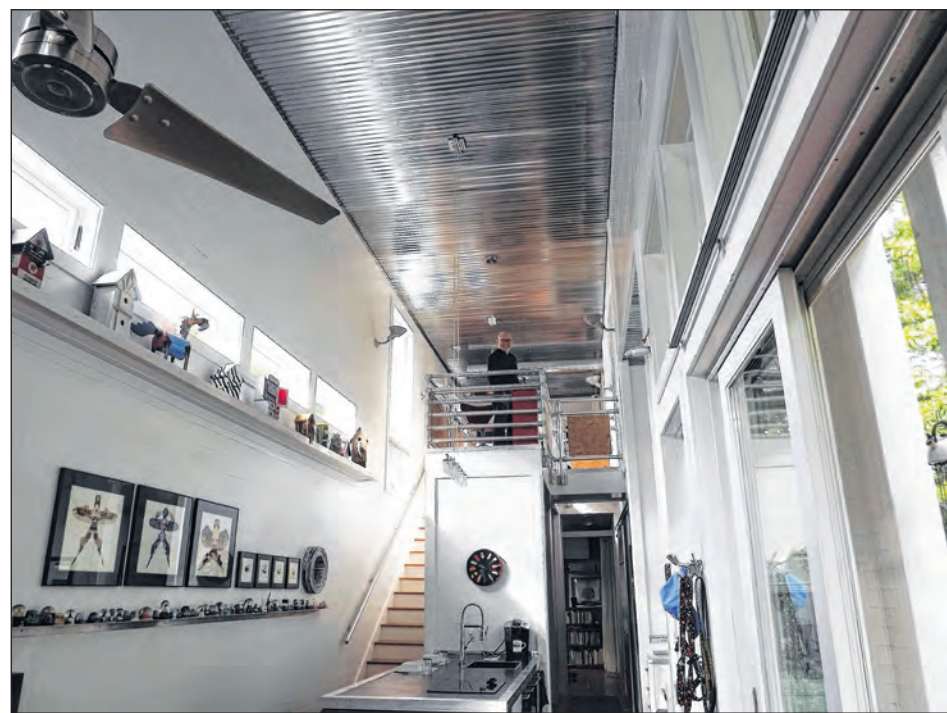
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**LEFT:** This airy space is the main living area of the house designed by owner/architect Richard Dagenhart. **RIGHT:** This cozy room provides a refuge for visiting granddaughters. It contains two trundle beds to maximize both play space and sleeping capacity. A skilled seamstress who crafted many of the quilts and drapes in her home, Briana Wheatley, owner of the featured Whiteside house, has created a homey feel.

## HOME from page A1

Dallas purchased the house two years ago and moved here in 2013. She said the house, built for George H. Whiteside, owner and operator of the Apalachicola Ice and Canning Company, in the Gothic Revival Style, circa 1872, had undergone major renovations before the purchase and that her work was largely cosmetic rather than structural.

"It was more a case of bringing the house back. It had been vacant for a few years," Wheatley said.

Of course, she repainted with her own color scheme and redid the garden with help from Bill and Amanda Kollar.

The Dodd/Galloway house on Avenue C featured a welcoming foyer and wrap-around porch furnished for comfort as well as style. The removal of a wall created a freestanding brick fireplace that is the focal point of the kitchen and great room.

V.G. Sangaree's home, built in 1949 for a local undertaker, is now home to Francine and Jeff Huntington, who have traveled extensively during a career in teacher education. They furnished their permanent nest with souvenirs from around the world including a trousseau chest from India, a folding butler's table and artifacts from Africa and Ireland. Jeff entertained visitors with stories about the furnishings and their places of origin.

An interesting feature of the Huntington home is a detached kitchen/laundry connected to the house by a covered walkway. Francine said although there is a modern kitchen in the main house, she uses the outdoor annex, especially in hot weather.

V.G. Sangaree's brother, Ronat, once lived on 17th Street, and his cottage is now home to Carole and Michael Seibert. The new owners replaced existing flooring with river-recovered heart pine.

Michael Seibert is a sculptor, and examples of his work in painted cypress adorn the home and surrounding lawn along with fanciful pieces by other art-



**ABOVE:** This screen porch at the Richardson/Gallant house exemplifies the marriage of indoor and outdoor environments typical of Apalachicola style.

**BELOW:** Even the kitchen garden is a work of art at Wheatley/Whiteside house.



ists. He shares his studio with spouse, Carole, who is a painter.

The clean, simple lines of the interior are accented with pieces of bright furniture, and the couple's cats lend a homey touch. Big Red, a yellow tom, acted as greeter at the front door. Antique bedsteads, indirect lighting and simple clean linens create a restful setting in the bedrooms.

Longtime Apalachicola resident June Dosik graciously opened her lovely home to guests this year. The house and grounds

are a study in comfort and practicality. The yard features a screened gazebo and lap pool. Inside, the house is a series of cozy niches for relaxing, dining and contemplation.

"I think it's just perfect for one person," said Dosik.

Lynn and Bill Spohrer opened their Avenue B Victorian "Lynn Haven" for the second time on this year's tour. The home can best be described as stately with a well-appointed yard and wrap-around porch. The first floor is designed for entertaining and expansive open sitting areas

and a dining room for 10 is accented with museum class antiques and a grand piano.

The kitchen testifies to Spohrer's culinary aptitude. Tucked to one side is a cozy sitting room where the family can enjoy Sunday morning newspapers and classic movies together.

On 10th Street, the tiny Lauver/Sawyer house was full of surprises. The 800-square foot cottage features painted hardwood floors and lots of eclectic art and artifacts including two Clyde Butcher photographs.

The Richardson/Gallant house, less than two years old, was built to blend with traditional Apalachicola architecture. The Florida cottage has local style but state-of-art fixtures, with furnishings that reflect the owners' New England heritage. The focal point of the great room is a painting of Richardson's great-great-grandmother. The owners preserved so much of the lush foliage on their lot that visitors during the tour speculated on how equipment used to build the house had accessed the lot. A screened porch at the rear of the home allows residents to enjoy a shady retreat without bugs.

One of the most unusual stops on this year's tour was the Nancy and Richard Dagenhart house on Frederick S. Humphries St. The owners purchased a shotgun house on a half-lot intending to restore it but the cottage proved unsalvageable. Dagenhart, an architect then designed a replacement that makes good use of every inch of buildable space. The house has a side entrance. The main living area is 10' by 52' but 20-foot ceilings give the great room an expansive feel. High shelves display the Dagenhart's collection of snow globes. A sleeping loft maximizes space and a galley kitchen makes the most efficient use of cooking facilities. To the rear of the home, a cozy reading area and screened porch provide escape and privacy for residents.

As a special treat, this year, The Chapman Auditorium, built in 1931, opened its doors for the tour. In 2013, the massive Art Deco structure was listed as one of Florida's 11 most endan-

gered buildings after the state of the auditorium was analyzed by a master's candidate from Florida State University. The future of the building, which houses the offices of Dr. Shezad Sanaulah, is currently under discussion.

Two gardens rounded out the dance card for participants in this year's tour. The Bond garden sequestered in a fenced and gated yard is a cool retreat with quirky containers and ornaments surrounding a comfortable seating area next to a fishpond. The Joiner and Rowell garden on Seventh, clustered at the base of a patriarch oak, features massed impatiens, with hostas and a planted container of tropicals as focal points for the array.

At a debriefing on Monday morning, organizers of the 2014 tour said they were pleased with the event but glad that another year of planning had come to a successful end.

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# Local artists stage one-day show

Special to the Times

On Saturday, May 3, 25 local artists presented an impromptu display at the Raney Carriage House organized by sculptor Clarice Powell. The show was the brainchild of Lynn Wilson, president of the Artists of Apalachicola Association, and painter Susan Richardson.

The show was sponsored by the Artists Association and the Pastel Association of Apalachicola, of which Wilson was a founding member.

"We're together for creative spirit and camaraderie," said Wilson. "We don't want politics. Our goal is to be open to all local artists working in any medium and to be inclusive. We plan to display local art in local venues."

Wilson said the artists association hopes to collaborate with Marie and Willoughby Marshall to use the Apalachicola Museum of Art as a site for future shows.

Anyone interested in joining the Artists of Apalachicola Association can call Wilson at 305-588-5885.

— By LOIS SWOBODA



PHOTOS LOIS SWOBODA | The Times

Left, a hooked wool rug depicting Modigliani's "Seated Nude" created by Jilly Michaels. Center, "Old Soul," a sculpture in sterling silver by Kristen Anderson. Right, "African Queen," a mixed media sculpture by Clarice Powell.

## TAMARA CELEBRATES 70TH BIRTHDAY



LOIS SWOBODA | The Times

On Saturday evening, May 3, Tamara Suarez, owner of Café Con Leche, celebrated her 70th birthday surrounded by scores of friends. The party, held at Rivercrest Lodge, was hosted by daughter and son-in-law, Marissa and Danny Itzkovitz. Suarez, in red, is seen here arriving at the festivities aboard the riverboat Lily captained by Gill Autrey. On her left is sister, Chabela Ayoub. Her grandchildren, Alex and Mya, are along for the ride perched on the upper deck. While waiting offshore to make a grand entry, the group encountered an alligator.

## FCHS to present 'Hairspray'

Special to the Times

Franklin County School invites you to their production of "Hairspray" the musical, at 7 p.m. Friday, May 16 in the Seahawk cafeteria.

Under the direction of senior Jathan Martin, coordinated by school media specialist Patty Creamer and involving many of the Seahawk family, students, faculty and staff, this grand show promises to bring a fantastic night of family entertainment to the Franklin County community.

There will be singing, dancing and laughing, all woven into a poignant message of humanity. Tickets will be \$8 for adults; \$5 for students. They will not be sold in advance, but can be purchased at the door one hour before the curtain opens. Concessions will also be available during



the evening.

Please support this Seahawk event and come to see the performance, which will only be a one-time showing. Martin, Creamer, cast and the entire Seahawk family have worked incredibly hard, devoting countless hours to bring this production to the community, so make sure you come out and share this wonderful experience with them. The theme of the show is all about the realness of life and you want to be sure you are in the audience and see and hear first-hand this wonderful night of enjoyment.

## JEREMY STANLEY, ELISA KANE TO WED SATURDAY



SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

Dante Stanley would like to announce the wedding of his mommie and daddy, Jeremy Stanley and Elisa Kane, this Saturday, May 10. The wedding will take place at 3 p.m. at the Chapman Botanical Gardens with a reception following at the Holy Family Center. All family and friends are invited to attend.

## PET OF THE WEEK

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Call Karen at 670-8417 for more details or visit the Franklin County Humane Society at 244 State Road 65 in Eastpoint. You may logon to the website at [www.forgottenpets.org](http://www.forgottenpets.org) to see more of our adoptable pets.

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## 'Butts and Clucks' Saturday to benefit Weems

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The annual Butts and Clucks Cook-off by the Bay this Saturday, May 10 has rounded up a fine array of items for their auction.

The event, sponsored by the Weems Healthcare Foundation, will feature friendly competition, over who makes the best chicken and pork, between at least eight teams in Battery Park in Apalachicola.

Pork dinners and sandwiches go on sale at 11 a.m. and the live auction, conducted by Harry Arnold and Chuck Spicer, will begin at 1 p.m.

Some of the spectacular items awaiting bids include a pedicure from Unique Nails, a massage from Day Break Massage, and gift certificates from Dolores's Sweet Shoppe, Crooked River Grill, Tamara's Cafe & Tapas bar, Owl Cafe, Hole in the Wall, the Blue Parrot, Bayside Burgers, Fathoms Steam Room and Raw Bar, Carrabelle Junction, Eddy Teach's Raw Bar, Millender and Sons Seafood, Lynn's Quality Oysters, East Bay Oysters and On the Corner Produce.

Also available at the auction are services by Gulf Coast Auto Parts, C & S Service, Carrabelle Beach RVC, Sportsman's Lodge and Journeys of St. George Island;



fishing opportunities from Capt. Earl Solomon, Capt. Catamaran and Capt. Gill Autrey; artwork by Amy Friedman, Lacye Tiffin, Leslie Wallace Coon, Lynn Wilson and Susan Richardson; photography by Richard Bickel, Drew E Brass, Tom Tiffin and John B. Spohrer Jr.; delicious creations by Sally Crown, Margie Solomon, Judy Loftus, Jody Fortunus-Wilson and Apalachicola

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# Barks to celebrate 50 years in ministry Saturday



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Pastor Ron Barks, who has ministered to Carrabelle's First Assembly of God church for the past 32 years, will be honored Saturday with a celebrating 50 years of his faithful service in the ministry.

Everyone in the community is invited to come to honor Pastor Barks on this special occasion at the church's fellowship hall this Saturday, May 10 at 2 p.m. Please, no gifts; just your presence is requested.

Barks been serving the Lord since 1957, and was called to the ministry in 1960 while a youth. He was licensed by the West Florida District Assemblies of God on May

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7, 1964, and while waiting until he became at least age 23, the minimum age for ordination, he began his ministry in the summer of 1964 working with the Indians in North Carolina. In September of the same year, he pioneered a church in Jacksonville, North Carolina as a young married man.

Barks was ordained while a member of the North Carolina District Assemblies

of God on April 26, 1967.

He has pastored several churches from the Outer Banks of North Carolina and throughout North Florida. He moved to Carrabelle with his wife, Wilma Barks, now deceased, and his three girls, Marie, Ellen, and Gwen, all of whom graduated from Carrabelle High School.

He is presently married to wife Joyce Barks.

# Remember Mom with a clean car this Sunday

Won't have coffee at Chillas Hall until the fall; last Friday, May 2 was the last one for the season. Thank you for your support.

Last weekend was gorgeous. Weather-wise, I guess it's time to start spring-cleaning. Scrub a dub dub.

Hope the weather is nice



LANARK NEWS  
Jim Welsh

for this Saturday, May 10. Members of the youth group from St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church will hold their annual car wash at Sacred Heart Church 2653 US 98, here in Lanark Village. Bring your car by between 3 and 5 p.m. That way, the car will be nice and clean when you

take your mother out to lunch on Sunday. Suggested donation is \$10.

Mark you calendars for May 17, your full breakfast will be ready, and one of our faithful volunteers will take your order and bring it to the table. Yum! Yum! Door opens at the Lanark Village Boat Club at 9 a.m. Your donation of \$5 will be collected at the door.

Later on Saturday, you can enjoy the evening at Camp Gordon Johnston American Legion Post 82 and join in the May Birthday Bash. Party starts at 6 p.m. Fun starts when you come through the door.

Don't forget about covered dish Sunday, May 18. Doors open at Chillas Hall at 12:30 p.m. Chow line forms at 1 p.m. Bring a dish to share, your donation

and your growling stomach and enjoy the afternoon with friends and neighbors. Hope you can make it!

Be kind to one another, and remember, God gave each of us one mother. Love her and cherish her.

Until next time, God bless America, our troops, and the poor, the homeless and the hungry.

## Obituaries

### Curtis Randall Cook

It's always hard dealing with the loss of a loved one. However, my family and I rejoice in knowing that he went peacefully unto the Lord with a smile on Saturday, May 3, 2014 at 4:48 p.m.

Randy Cook was a strong man of God, whose love we will hold within our hearts until the day we are reunited. We couldn't have asked for a better husband, father, or papa.

Born Feb. 16, 1957, and a lifelong resident of Apalachicola, Randy was a retired correctional officer, and ministered for the Lord through the Pentecostal Holiness Church's Prison Ministry.

Randy's love continues to live within: His wife Helen, his parents Eloise and



RANDY COOK

Curtis Cook, his son Duane (Amy) Cook, his daughter Nicole (Ryan) Sandoval, his grandchildren, Breanna, Savannah, Victoria, David, and Ryan; his brothers, Wayne

(Lynn) Cook, Johnny (Kelly) Turner, and Tim (Karen) Turner. Also many blessed nieces, nephews and cousins.

We know that papa will be awaiting us at the gate with his heavenly song. Until then we will continue to honor his life and love.

Funeral services were held at noon on Tuesday, May 6 at the First Pentecostal Church in Apalachicola with interment in Eastpoint Cemetery.

Services are under the direction of Comforter Funeral Home.

### Joseph Philip Square

Joseph Philip Square, 77, of Eastpoint, passed away Wednesday, April 30, 2014 at the Bridges of Bay St. Joe in Port St. Joe.

He was born June 2, 1936 in Painesville, Ohio to Philip J. and Laura M. Square.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brother Roy "Skippy" Square; sister Laura Square; and granddaughter Akysya Gray.

He is survived by his wife of 49 years, Helene A. Square; brother Philip W Square, and wife Sandra; sisters Kathleen Justice, and husband Chuck, and Rachel Berger and husband Tom; sons John D. Square and Philip J. Square; daughter Tracy L. Gray,

and husband Rick; and grandchildren Christopher, Melissa, Colby, Lindsey and Harley Gray; Timothy and Anthony Marshall; and Joe, Jimmy and Michael Square.

A longtime resident of Eastpoint, Mr. Joe retired from the St. George Plantation after 13 years. He loved going outside working in the yard on his tractor. He spent time with the only pet he ever had, his Africa Gray parrot "Byrd."

A memorial service will be held Saturday, May 24 at 3 p.m. at the First Baptist Church in Eastpoint, with Pastor Douglas Boucher officiating.

Cremation was handled by Southerland Funeral Home, in Panama City.

## Faith BRIEFS

### 'Theology on Tap' at Tapas May 15

Theology on Tap will be held on Thursday, May 15 at Tapas Bar at 7 p.m. The topic of conversation will be the role of women in the church. Presenters will be Catholic Sister Jeanne Drea, retired Methodist minister the Rev. Dr. John Sink, and Episcopal vicar Rev. Martha Harris. Food will be

available for purchase.

### Healthy Start Baby Shower June 3

Healthy Start's sixth annual Baby Shower will be held Tuesday, June 3 at 4 p.m. at The Centennial Building, 300 Allen Memorial Way, in Port St. Joe.

We invite all Franklin and Gulf County pregnant women, new parents who have had a baby within the last

six months and their families to join us for a special evening. There will be information stations on various topics such as car seat safety, shaken baby, childbirth, safe sleep, community resources and vendors offering merchandise for purchase.

Free admission, plus food, fun, games and lots of fabulous door prizes! Special games for Dads!

For more information, call 1-800-895-9506 ext. 100.

## AA MEETING SCHEDULE

The following is the updated schedule for Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) meetings in Apalachicola, Carrabelle, Eastpoint, and the St. George Island areas. For more information, call the Hotline at 653-2000.

**MONDAY**  
Apalachicola, Trinity Episcopal Church, 79 Sixth Street  
7:30-8:30 p.m. Closed Discussion

**TUESDAY**  
Apalachicola, Trinity Episcopal Church  
Noon- 1 p.m. Open Discussion

Carrabelle, Church of the Ascension, 110 NE First Street  
7:30-8:30 p.m. Big Book/12&12, Open

**WEDNESDAY**  
Apalachicola, Trinity Episcopal Church  
6-7 p.m. Women's AA, Closed  
7:30-8:30 p.m. Men's AA, Closed

**THURSDAY**  
Apalachicola, Trinity Episcopal Church  
Noon-1 p.m. Open Discussion

St. George Island United Methodist, 201 E Gulf Beach Dr.  
7:30-8:30 p.m. Open Discussion.

**FRIDAY**  
Apalachicola, Trinity Episcopal Church  
5:30-6:30 p.m. Open Discussion

Carrabelle, Church of the Ascension  
7:30-8:30 p.m. Open Discussion

**SATURDAY**  
Alligator Point Mission By The Sea  
5:30-6:30 p.m. Discussion Group

Eastpoint First United Methodist Church, 317 Patton Dr.  
7:30-8:30 p.m. AA Speakers Meeting, Open

**SUNDAY**  
Eastpoint First United Methodist Church  
7:30-8:30 p.m. AA Big Book Study, Open

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**THE APALACHICOLA TIMES**



# Cleaning Flatfish

By FRANK SARGEANT  
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Flounder aren't born flat, but they soon get that way. All flatfish start life looking rather unassuming as baby fish go until Mother Nature does her sleight of hand. Their eggs hatch into larvae that resemble typically symmetrical fish. The larvae quickly develop into a rounded form with protective spines on the head, over the gills and in the pelvic and pectoral fins. They are born with a swim bladder for buoyancy to make it easier to roam near the surface and feed on plankton, but as they grow they turn into "Frankenfish."

One eye migrates across the top of the head onto the other side of the body, the

swim bladder and spines literally disappear, the body coloration on the sightless side turns white, while the other side assumes a darker coloration that provides camouflage for lying on the bottom. That's important because the bottom is where these critters spend the majority of their time, either scavenging for a meal or lying in wait for a hapless fish or crustacean to get too close — and wham!

For Panhandle anglers, flounder are a favorite target species, not because they are a hard-fighting game fish, but because they are often easy to catch both from nearshore boats and even from area piers and jetties — and absolutely great to eat. (Many area small-boat guides target

the flatfish when other species are hard to come by — one who absolutely has flounder dialed in is Captain Mike Parker of Silver King Charters, www.fishingdestin.com).

But before the eating comes the cleaning, and there's the rub.

Yamaha spokesman Martin Peters fishes all over America, picking up angling tips where ever he goes. Here are some cleaning tips, with how-to photos, he offers for north Florida fishermen.

"For the best tasting flounder, try bleeding and icing them immediately after landing," says Peters. "Lift the gill plate, cut the gill rakers with a scissor or knife, then put the fish in a live well or bucket of water to bleed out. When that's done, put the fish on ice in a cooler to firm up the meat for easier cleaning and to maintain the quality."

After that, you're ready to follow the cleaning steps below:

#### STEP 1

To get started, all you need is a fish like this four-pound summer flounder and a long, straight, sharp, flexible fillet knife. The cleaning board with clamp is optional, but if you're cleaning a lot of fish, it's a time saver.

#### STEP 2

Start white side down, and make your first cut across the tail just forward of the fin.

#### STEP 3

Insert the point of the knife into the first cut and slide it as far forward toward the head as possible running it alongside the spine, represented by the red line. You'll be able to feel it.

#### STEP 4

With the knife angled just slightly down so the blade is running along the rib bones, slice carefully outward to detach the fillet. On larger flounder you might have to reinsert the knife to complete the cut all the way to the head.

#### STEP 5

Repeat the process on the belly side of the fish, but make the slice carefully so the knife doesn't cut into the stomach cavity outlined in red.

#### STEP 6

This is what it looks like after the two cuts. The fillet is only attached directly behind the head.

#### STEP 7

Detach the fillet with a single cut as shown, being careful not to penetrate the stomach cavity and set it aside.



PHOTOS SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

Captain Mike Parker goes to work on a catch of flounder at the cleaning table on the Destin docks.



#### STEP 8

Turn the fish over and repeat the process on the bottom (white side) fillet.

#### STEP 9

Carefully remove the feathers, the tiny muscles that power the fins around the flounder's perimeter.

#### STEP 10

Lay the fillets on the

cutting board skin side down, and use your finger tips to hold the very end of the tail section. Make a downward cut to the skin, turn the blade almost horizontal to the table, and carefully push the blade toward the far end using a slicing motion to separate the meat from the skin.

#### STEP 11

When done, you have a single fillet from the top and bottom of the fish that can be divided into four smaller fillets by slicing down the middle where it is thinnest, (the section that was over the backbone). For smaller fish this is not necessary; for larger fish the split fillets are more single-serving friendly.

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Sat, May 10	76°	70°	40 %
Sun, May 11	76°	71°	30 %
Mon, May 12	77°	71°	10 %
Tues, May 13	78°	71°	10 %
Wed, May 14	78°	68°	0 %

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	HIGH	LOW
Cat Point	Minus 0:40	Minus 1:17
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	HIGH	LOW
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### APALACHICOLA

Date	Day	High Tide	High Tide	Low Tide	Low Tide
8	Tu	1259pm 1.3	1055pm 1.2	607am 0.2	626pm 0.9
9	We	137pm 1.3		705am 0.3	732pm 0.8
10	Th	1228am 1.2	209pm 1.3	756am 0.4	823pm 0.6
11	Fr	149am 1.2	235pm 1.4	839am 0.4	907pm 0.4
12	Sa	254am 1.3	258pm 1.4	916am 0.5	945pm 0.3
13	Su	349am 1.3	319pm 1.4	949am 0.6	1021pm 0.2
14	Mo	439am 1.4	340pm 1.5	1018am 0.7	1054pm 0.1
15	Tu	528am 1.4	403pm 1.5	1045am 0.8	1128pm -0.1
16	We	618am 1.4	430pm 1.6	1113am 0.9	
17	Th	711am 1.4	501pm 1.7	1204am -0.1	1143am 1.0

### CARRABELLE

Date	Day	High Tide	High Tide	Low Tide	Low Tide
8	Tu	1134am 2.1	930pm 1.9	354am 0.3	413pm 1.4
9	We	1212pm 2.1	1103pm 1.9	452am 0.5	519pm 1.3
10	Th	1244pm 2.1		543am 0.6	610pm 1.0
11	Fr	1224am 1.9	110pm 2.2	626am 0.6	654pm 0.6
12	Sa	129am 2.1	133pm 2.2	703am 0.8	732pm 0.5
13	Su	224am 2.1	154pm 2.2	736am 1.0	808pm 0.3
14	Mo	314am 2.2	215pm 2.4	805am 1.1	841pm 0.2
15	Tu	403am 2.2	238pm 2.4	832am 1.3	915pm -0.2
16	We	453am 2.2	305pm 2.6	900am 1.4	951pm -0.2
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### Local

As we enter the first full week of May, our local area waters are teeming with life that swims.

Good red fish reports from the ICW canal have locals fishing all times of the day. Most of the fish are undersized, however, a few keepers are in the mix.

Good trout and flounder are back on the flats in St. Joe Bay this week. Most anglers are using live shrimp or Ly's to get in on the action.

Pompano continue their spring run on Cape San Blas and Crooked Island in great numbers and small jigs tipped with shrimp or Fishbites will be key to a good day on the water!



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# Hartness runs triathlon for Tripp, THC

By DAVID ADLERSTEIN

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A 61-year-old Lanark Village man made a powerful athletic statement April 26 on behalf of the use of medical marijuana to help children with seizures.

Calvin Hartness ran seventh overall, and best in his 60-64 age group, in the Beach Blast triathlon in Mexico Beach.

He was running on behalf of Team Tripp, named for a 5-year-old nephew back in Commerce, Ga., who needs the synthetic medicinal form of cannabis to help him with seizures.

"I was his baby sitter since he was 1 year old," said Hartness, who together with wife, Lisa, divides his time between Georgia and their home on St. James Island. "He'll break your heart. He's the sweetest thing and to go through all this for no reason it's sad."

Hartness said there's lot of misinformation about medical

marijuana, especially since it is not being used as an intoxicant, but for therapy in limited instances.

"What he needs is the drug; that's all he needs to have a chance," he said. "There's no other drug available to help him, and 125,000 other kids in Florida.

"I would have done anything for him, I was all-out," said Hartness. "Any time you're an old man and can run seventh overall, it's pretty good."

The Florida Legislature has passed, and Gov. Scott is expected to sign, the so-called "Charlotte's Web" bill that authorizes doctors to order low-THC cannabis for use by patients suffering from chronic seizures. More than 125,000 children suffer from severe epilepsy in Florida and the bill also allows the specific strains of cannabis to cover cancer and persistent muscle spasms, including Lou Gehrig's disease and other chronic conditions.

Tripp was in Colorado this week, starting his treatments in one of the few states where

medical marijuana is legal.

Hartness's performance was indeed impressive at the Beach Blast, as he was at least eight years older than any of the six finishers ahead of him.

He might have finished even stronger than his 1:17.39 time were it not for the 3.1-mile run portion of the triathlon, which he completed in 26:33, a career worst by two minutes.

"My run was my worst time ever but I haven't been able to run due to hip problems, so I expected that," he said. "I was 20th overall, my worst ever. I was stuck in no man's land, running by myself. But I don't make excuses; I just go."

Hartness did well in the 15-mile bike ride, finishing in a time of 42:08 and fifth overall atop a road bike. This came after being fifth out of the water following his 0.35-mile swim in just under seven minutes in the Gulf off Mexico Beach.

"I have done a lot of swimming training for this," he said. "Before I didn't have a place."



CALVIN HARTNESS

## Seahawks open hoop offseason strong

Special to the Times

On April 26-27, the 14-and-under and 17-and-under Franklin County travel basketball teams played in the "Take Charge Breast Cancer Awareness Tourney," their first tournament of the offseason, at Florida A & M University, taking on squads from North Florida and South Georgia.

Players on the 17-and-under team were Kelsey Jones, Kenneth Wilson, Tyler Farmer, Tyler Howard, Marshall Sweet, Sharod Senatus, Nathan Jones, and Josue Barahona.

Players on the 14-and-under team were Cash Creamer, Johnny Jones, Jan Lowe, Tyler Pendleton, Tyrell Green, Mikalin Huckeba, Landon Nash, Cameron Nash, Elijah DeCoursey, Jack Harris, Arric Sowell, Jonathan Jones, and Daijon Penamon.

The older team finished in second place, winning its preliminary game 61-30, led by Barahona with 20 points, including six three-point field goals. Jones, Senatus, and Farmer also shined in this game, each scoring in double digits.

"The whole team played really great this game defensively and offensively," said Sweatt. "We were really confident going into the semifinal game after this preliminary game."

The Seahawks defeated the South Georgia team 44-40 to earn its way into the championship. "KK Wilson really played well in spurts during the game, finishing good around the basket," said Sweatt. "Jones and Senatus did a great job distributing the ball. Barahona and Howard hit a couple of big shots late in the game to seal the deal. Senatus ended the game with a posterized dunk which ended it with an exclamation mark."

In the finals the Seahawks faced the Tallahassee Timberwolves which included players from Chiles and Maclay

high schools."Every player on their team could shoot, even the three bigs they had," said Sweatt. "We played solid defense throughout the game."

Leading by seven, 38-31, with five minutes left, Howard caught a cramp and had to come out. "He was guarding a really good player and shooter. Marshall Sweet was also out this game so that hurt us in this crucial situation," said Sweatt. "The player hit back-to-back three-pointers over the next couple minutes which were big shots. They also got a couple of cheap long rebounds and had some leak-out lay-up points in transition. We fought hard regardless and ended the game well but just came up short with a final of 53-48. They hit their free throws late in the game to seal their victory and our defeat."

Sweatt said Farmer hit some big shots throughout the game along with Jones, while Senatus made some great passes throughout the game to set up teammates, and Howard and Jones played great defense.

Barahona was selected the Seahawks' representative on the All-Tournament Team and Senatus was selected as overall tournament MVP. "This was a great start to this offseason," said Sweatt.

The younger team fought hard throughout the tournament and improved with every game, said Sweatt. Johnny Jones, Tyler Pendleton, and Cash Creamer led the way with scoring for the team throughout the tourney, and Jan Lowe controlled the games well at the point guard position.

The teams' next tournament is May 9-10 in Tallahassee at the Comets Capital Challenge.

Sweatt offered thanks to sponsors for this first tournament: Tamara's Cafe, Willis Hardware, Four Kids Minus Four and Beach Pros Realty. If you would like to donate call Sweatt at 670-2800, or contact Jeremy Williams or Ricky Jones.

## Seahawks to play Red-Black game Saturday

Special to the Times

The 2014 Red vs. Black game will be the featured attraction this Saturday, May 10 at the Mikel Clark Sports Complex. Friends and families alike of the varsity football team are invited to come meet the coaches and players, eat lunch, and purchase your field sign. A minimum donation of \$5 to attend the day's activities includes lunch of a hamburg-

er, hotdog, or pulled pork sandwich, drink, and chips. The Fellowship of Christian Athletes will open the program with the pledge and a prayer, followed by athletic competition from 9 to 10:30 a.m. The Pam Nobles Dancers will perform at 10:30 a.m., followed by an 11:30 a.m. lunch with the team, an 11:50 a.m. introduction of the new cheerleaders; and a 12:15 p.m. welcome to parents and supporters from

Coach Aaron York.

The Super Hawk Award will be presented to the elected official with the largest turnout and the most creative nest display, in which members dress in colors, cheer and whoop it up. After an introduction of the coaching staff, the 2014 season's goals and objectives will be shared, as well as the official schedule and plans for fundraising and community involvement.

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## Co-ed softball tourney to benefit youth

Special to the Times

Teams are being sought for the upcoming 2014 Franklin County Co-Ed Softball Tournament to benefit the county's Dixie Youth teams going to state tournaments this summer.

The tourney is slated to start at 8 a.m. Saturday, May 17 at Will Kendrick Sports Complex in Carrabelle.

Each team can have up to a 15-person roster, with a minimum of three women on the field and batting at all times. All players must be 16 years or older.

The tournament will be played on +/-200-ft. fields with a limit of five home runs per game for men and unlimited for women. There may be an enforced co-ed

line for women. Batting order must alternate boy/girl until the women have all batted. One courtesy foul is given with a 1-and-1 count. A net will be provided if that is the pitcher preference. Pitching specifications will be 6-10 ft, no faking.

There will be a three-game guarantee, with pool play at least two games and then a round robin single elimination tournament. This may change due to number of teams or conditions on game day.

Bats will be inspected prior to game and balls provided by the tournament committee at a cost of \$5 each. Any bats not inspected and approved by officials will not be permitted. Disqualification will be

the result of using unapproved supplies.

First and second place teams will receive medallions and a trophy. There is a \$200 entry fee per team, which includes umpire fees. Concession will be open to purchase drinks, lunch, and snacks.

Teams need to sign up before Saturday, May 10 or mail in registration in the amount of the tournament fee before this time. We need to know in advance how many teams will be participating in the event, so don't wait to sign up.

Make checks payable to the ADYL and mail to 1627 Linden Road, Apalachicola, FL 32320. For more info, call Kim Johnson 653-6887 or Kevin Newell 370-6176.



# First Baptist Christian School Honor Roll

This is the honor roll for the third nine-weeks grading period at the First Baptist Christian School.

**KINDERGARTEN**  
**All As:** Shaylee Tomes  
**A/B:** Tyler Morrison, Laykn Queen

**SECOND GRADE**  
**A/B:** Caden Allen, Emma White, Brayden McCall, Ethan Kembro

**THIRD GRADE**  
**A/B:** Olivia Barineau, Riley O'Neal and Skylar Layne

**FOURTH GRADE**  
**All A's:** Cameron Nash, Genesis Jones, Sophia Salman

**A/B:** Carter Kembro

**FIFTH GRADE**  
**A/B:** Eva Strickland

**SIXTH GRADE**  
**A/B:** Lydia Strickland

**SEVENTH GRADE**  
**All A's:** Adria Valenzuela  
**A/B:** Talyn Arnett

**EIGHTH GRADE**  
**All A's:** Jordan Alexander  
**A/B:** Logan Arnett

**FRESHMEN**  
**All A's:** Noah Strickland  
**A/B:** Juliana Gay, Anna Smith, Katie Spann, Xuripha Tiller

**SENIORS**  
**A/B:** Brandy Parker

# ABC School Honor Roll

**Editor's note:** The following is a corrected version of the third grade honor roll for the third nine-week grading period at the Apalachicola Bay Charter School. There were errors in the earlier version that have since been corrected.

**River Sheridan**  
**AB:** Mitchell Adkins, Faline Everitt, Zach Libby, Arav Patel, Owen Poloronis, Trinity Taylor and Mark Willis

**T. MOSES**  
**All As:** Kyla Ross  
**A/B:** Alisha Arroyo, Jonathan Carter, Kendall Hill, Eric Lau, Jayden Nichols, John-Michael Thompson, Colin Wefing and Leah Wren

**THIRD GRADE**  
**W. Martina**  
**All As:** Lucy Neill and

**Eclectic, Ala., violation of probation (FCSO)**

**MAY 1**  
 Larry S. Warren, 40, Eastpoint, violation of probation (FCSO)

**MAY 2**  
 Timothy J. Marshall, 24, Apalachicola, possession of cannabis (APD)

**MAY 4**  
 Quinnaland J. Rhodes, Jr., 27, Apalachicola, reckless driving, driving while license suspended or revoked, two counts of resisting officer without violence and escape (FCSO)

**MAY 5**  
 Tonya C. Seamon, 41, Carrabelle, domestic battery (CPD)

**MAY 5**  
 Billy D. Dalton, 39, Eastpoint, violation of probation (FCSO)  
 Gary M. Mitchell, 28, Tallahassee, DUI (FCSO)  
 Charlie P. Painter, 49, Carrabelle, cultivation of marijuana (FCSO)

# Arrest REPORT

The following report is provided by the Franklin County Sheriff's Office. Arrests listed were made by officers from the Apalachicola Police Department, Carrabelle Police Department and the Franklin County Sheriff's Office. All defendants are to be considered innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

**APRIL 29**  
 Shelton D. Hutchins, 31, Port St. Joe, driving while license suspended or revoked (FCSO)

**APRIL 30**  
 Kuldeep Debsikdar, 34, Alpharetta, Ga., two counts of possession of a controlled substance, two counts of possession of a legend drug without a prescription and possession of cannabis (FCSO)

**APRIL 30**  
 Kayla N. Rogers, 31, Apalachicola, failure to appear (FCSO)  
 Brody P. Lockett, 36,

# CARRABELLE HONORS CITY BEAUTIFIERS



LOIS SWOBODA | The Times

At the May 1 meeting of the Carrabelle city commission, Roberta Clay, left, and Bill and Tammy Owen, center, received recognition from Carrabelle Commissioner Brenda La Paz, right, for their work cleaning up a section of Avenue I in Carrabelle. "Through their hard work, they turned a makeshift dump site into a beautiful country road," La Paz said. At the same meeting, La Paz honored Mike and Joe Johnson, owners of the Carrabelle Marina, for their work in community revitalization over the last year.

# Old Carrabelle Hotel earns GreenLeader Gold status

Special to The Times

The Old Carrabelle Hotel has announced it has been accepted as a Gold level GreenLeader in the TripAdvisor GreenLeaders program, which helps travelers plan greener trips by identifying environmentally-friendly accommodations across the U.S.

TripAdvisor GreenLeaders have met a set of environmental standards developed by a leading environmental consulting firm, with input from expert partners. The more green practices a hotel has in place, the higher its GreenLeader level, which is shown on the property's listing on the TripAdvisor site.

Innkeepers Kathy and Skip Frink run the inn on a daily basis, with Atlanta partners Will and Debbie Brown visiting when their schedule permits.

"TripAdvisor seems to have recognized our new on-demand water heating as the item that sent us up from Silver to Gold. We still think it's amazing that a 1900s building without insulation can merit such an award, but there are dozens of other qualifiers we do meet," Skip Frink said. "An example is recycling, using the Franklin County recycle bins on C Avenue and composting of all non-meat food scraps. The compost goes onto the grounds, where plants grow that conserve moisture to shade and cool the building."

The Old Carrabelle Hotel was changed by the present owners in 2001 from an antiques shop with rental apartments to the five-room inn of today. "The water heating change has been amazing," Frink said. "We inherited stand-up 40-gallon gas water heaters, piped



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together, so we were constantly heating 80 gallons of water on a 24-hour basis. Now, there is no hot water in the house until someone turns on a hot faucet!"

The TripAdvisor GreenLeaders program was developed in partnership with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Energystar program, the U.S. Green Building Council, and the United Nations Environment Programme. For more information, visit [www.tripadvisor.com/GreenLeaders](http://www.tripadvisor.com/GreenLeaders).

"TripAdvisor GreenLeaders are leading the hospitality industry in making efforts to improve their environmental footprint," said Jenny Rushmore, director of responsible travel at TripAdvisor. "We greatly applaud these accommodations and are pleased

to share their eco-friendly practices with our online audience of more than 260 million travelers who visit the site each month."

Travelers can now search for accommodations that have a GreenLeaders status on the TripAdvisor site and view a detailed list of environmentally-friendly practices that they can expect at each location.

TripAdvisor branded sites make up the largest travel community in the world, with more than 260 million unique monthly visitors and more than 125 million reviews and opinions covering more than 3.1 million accommodations, restaurants, and attractions. The sites operate in 34 countries worldwide, including China under daodao.com.

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# News BRIEFS

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## Mandatory seminar available at Shellfish Center

Effective May 5, the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Science personnel will show the 20-minute educational seminar at the Shellfish Center in Apalachicola at 3 p.m. Monday through Friday.

This means it can be viewed an additional two days more than the current schedule of Tuesday through Thursdays. This seminar is mandatory for anyone dealing in shellfish, oysters and clams, and a must-see in order to get a saltwater products license.

For more information, contact Joe Shields III, environmental administrator for FDACS's division of aquaculture, at 653-8317 or joe.shields@freshfromflorida.com.

## Small business counseling Tuesday at Chamber

Keith Bowers from the Small Business Development Center at

FAMU will be coming to the Apalachicola Bay Chamber of Commerce on Tuesday, May 13. He will be available by appointment for one-on-one business counseling from noon to 4 p.m. Bowers is very knowledgeable and can help you with your business in a variety of areas. Call 653-9419 to set up an appointment.

## Full moon climb at lighthouse Wednesday

The May Full Moon Climb at the Cape St. George Lighthouse on St. George Island will be Wednesday, May 14. The Sunset/Full Moon Climb will be 8-9:30 p.m. and will include light hors d'oeuvres and a sparkling cider toast to the full moon. Cost is \$15 for the general public and \$10 for members of the St. George Lighthouse Association.

The sun will set at 8:25 p.m., and the moon will rise at 8:31 p.m. After sunset, people are invited to climb to the top of the lighthouse for a breathtaking view of the full moon, as space and time permit. Cost is \$10 for the general public and \$5 for association members.

The Cape St. George

Light is in St. George Lighthouse Park at the center of St. George Island, where Island Drive (the road off the bridge) ends at Gulf Beach Drive. Parking is available in lots at either side of the park.

Because space is limited, reservations are recommended. For reservations or more information, call the Lighthouse Gift Shop at 927-7745.

## Microsoft workshop at Chamber May 15

Interested in Microsoft 365 or Windows 8.1? The Apalachicola Bay Chamber of Commerce is hosting a workshop on the latest Microsoft products from 4-5 p.m. Thursday, May 15, at the chamber conference room.

Email or call 653-9419 to reserve your seat.

## County renews child support service contract

On April 14, county commissioners voted unanimously to approve a contract between the State Department of Revenue and the county that provides for state-approved

payments to the county for service of process in child support cases.

When the state files proceedings in child support cases, the sheriff's office may be required to serve papers on individuals involved with the cases. The sheriff's office usually charges a fee for that service, of either \$20 or \$70, which is set by law, but they don't collect the monies in these types of cases.

With the contract, the county can be reimbursed at a rate of 66 percent, which would help offset the cost of performing this service. The current contract was approved for three years in 2011. The newly approved contract period would run for three years, from July 1, 2014, to June 30, 2017.

## Joint Business After Hours on May 19

A joint Business After Hours at the Indian Pass Raw Bar with the Apalachicola Bay and Gulf County chambers of commerce will be at 5:30 p.m. May 19.

Come network with fellow business owners in Gulf and Franklin counties

while enjoying food, beverages and live music by the Curry Brothers

## Apalachicola chamber seeks board members

The Apalachicola Bay Chamber of Commerce's new year begins at the end of June, and it is time to elect board members and officers for the 2014-2015 year.

As per the bylaws, President Donna Duncan has named Brenda Ash, Ouida Tartt, Mike Koun, Bud Hayes and Kristin Anderson to the nominating committee and tasked them with developing a slate of candidates for election at the June 4 meeting.

If you would be interested in serving on the board or have questions about serving, email info@apalachicolabay.org or call 653-9419 by May 14. Chamber board meetings are at 5 p.m. the first Monday of each month.

## Annual lighthouse association meeting May 22

The 2014 annual meeting of the St. George

Lighthouse Association will be at 4 p.m. May 22 in St. George Lighthouse Park. In keeping with longstanding tradition, hot dogs will be served. Please bring your lawn chair.

## New capabilities at the landfill

Thanks to a new baler recently purchased by the county, the Franklin County landfill now can recycle all grades of plastic. Formerly, only certain grades could be recycled. Recyclables will still be hand sorted at the landfill so no change to recycling procedures by the public is required.

Director of Solid Waste Fonda Davis said the county now can recycle fluorescent bulbs thanks to a recently purchased bulb crusher. Bulbs should be taken to the landfill for recycling. In the past, the landfill accepted bulbs and stored them for transport but they could not be recycled on site.

Davis said he plans to bring the bulb crusher to local communities at a future time for bulb amnesty days. Dates have not been set.



## Trivia Fun

Wilson Casey  
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"Trivia Fun" with Wilson Casey, Guinness World Record Holder from Woodruff, S.C., is published in more than 500 newspapers across the country and is now a weekly feature in The Times.

### 1) Who described a

"roc" as a bird of prey big enough to grip an elephant?

Marco Polo, Magellan, Cook, Columbus

2) If a man has ever been to a tonsorialist who has he been to?

Witch doctor, Dentist, Fitness trainer, Barber

3) In 1899, where was the United States' first public parking garage established?

Detroit, Boston, Baltimore, Richmond

4) Months that begin on which day will always have a Friday the 13th?

Sunday, Monday, Friday, Saturday

5) Of these which is not one of the three traditional primary colors?

Red, White, Blue, Yellow

6) What's the No. 1 state for reported shark attacks?

New Jersey, N. Carolina, Florida, California

7) Which of these is not ordinarily found in "Three-C" slaw?

Corn, Celery, Cabbage, Carrot

8) What is "gibbous" a phase of?

Acne, Tuberculosis, Adolescence, Moon

9) When did explorer Ponce de Leon pass away?

1521, 1610, 1701, 1836

10) Which state's convention did Patrick

Henry address, "Give me liberty or give me death"?

Massachusetts, Virginia, Delaware, Maryland

11) What nickname is traditionally given to the clubhouse bar on a golf course?

10th Hole, Caddyshack, Fore, 19th Hole

12) Magnets got their name from Magnesia, a province in what country?

Greece, Canada, Italy, Spain

13) Coptic was the last phase of what language that lasted over 5,000 years?

Latin, Hebrew, Egyptian, Slavic

14) What was Frank Sinatra's middle name?

Alvin, Alton, Artie, Albert

### ANSWERS

1) Marco Polo. 2) Barber. 3) Boston. 4) Sunday. 5) White. 6) Florida. 7) Corn. 8) Moon. 9) 1521. 10) Virginia. 11) 19th Hole. 12) Greece. 13) Egyptian. 14) Albert.

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