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Weather forecast from Wakulla High School

Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	AM Showers
Hi: 86° Lo: 67° 7%	Hi: 86° Lo: 71° 31%	Hi: 85° Lo: 72° 35%
Sunrise 6:35 AM Sunset 8:35 PM	Sunrise 6:35 AM Sunset 8:36 PM	Sunrise 6:35 AM Sunset 8:36 PM



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Plans for new Wakulla High School

Demolition is set to begin this week on some of the old parts of the school to make way for \$97 million new building

By **WILLIAM SNOWDEN**
Editor

The Wakulla County School Board held a groundbreaking ceremony on Wednesday, May 27, to celebrate the planned new high school building.

The three-year, \$97 million project will demolish the nearly 60-year-old high school building and build a new two-story classroom and administration building, as well as a new gymnasium and performing arts center.

There will also be a redesign of the parking lot with one-way entrance to the school at the current traffic light on U.S. Highway 98.

District Facilities Manager Mike Barwick was especially pleased with some of the new planned amenities – the state-of-the-art performing arts center, which he noted will be larger than Chiles High School's; the lighted band practice field; the athletic center's classrooms; the new



Dignitaries at the groundbreaking held at Wakulla High School on Wednesday, May 27. The day before, at right, Principal Michele Falk held a tour of the school for members of the Class of 1976, including Jena Brooks, center, and Donna Crum Godwin.

front entrance which will have a security kiosk to be manned by a school Guardian.

Barwick, who was principal at Wakulla High School before moving to the district office, brought knowledge of an educator and administrator to

the planning of the new school.

The plan calls for a complete new parking lot and the start of demolition over the summer. From Fall 2026 to next summer work will be underway for the new athletic center, ROTC room,



and carpentry shop.

The new performing arts center is expected to be completed in December 2027.

The new school will be completed by Summer 2028.

The day before the groundbreaking, current principal Michele Falk offered a tour to a handful of members of the Class of 1976, organized by class member Debra Brown and joined by Jena Brooks now of Ocala and Donna Crum Godwin of Panama City. But Falk toured the classmates around the new War Eagle Academy rather than the old building, showing off the new classrooms and vocational training.

Falk noted on the tour that she will retire before the new construction is finished.

The tour did end at the old lunchroom, where the classmates noted it had seemed so big 50 years ago, and unable to believe it's where dances were held with a band in the corner.

Friction between boosters, admin

By **WILLIAM SNOWDEN**
Editor

There is a divide between some school booster clubs and the Superintendent Rick Myhre as he has sought to clarify financial policies with the groups.

Myhre had made it clear that monies collected by groups for student extracurricular activities are required to be turned over to schools internal accounts to be managed. In emails and in a statement issued last week, Myhre said the changes are required and are being done with a goal of transparency.

But the policy has created tension with the Gridiron Club, which supports the football team by selling signs to advertisers at the stadium, and seating and preferential parking to members.

A member of the Gridiron Club, who did not want to be named, said that, in the past, when the coach needed something for the team – meals for after the game, say, or a new washing machine to clean the uniforms – he told the boosters and they went and got whatever was needed.

The new policy, the person said, would hamstring that with bureaucratic oversight.

"It's been this way for decades," the person said, under past superintendents.

At this point, the Gridiron Club is wavering over whether to sell signs, seating and parking passes. If the club does not go forward with the sales, it will return



any money that's been paid.

"The fundraisers were stripped from us," the person said.

Myhre noted his family had been members of the Gridiron Club for decades and had seats, but insisted money raised needed to be accounted for.

Myhre said he had found no "transgressions" by booster groups, but said the law was clear and there should be accounting for the money raised.

"It's for the students, right? That's where it should be spent," he said.

The member of the Gridiron Club questioned Myhre's interpretation of the Department of Education's requirements, saying in an email to Myhre that "the current disagreement reflects a differing interpretation or administrative approach regarding the application of certain Red Book and policy provisions to independent booster organizations, rather than the discovery of obvious or longstanding violations that went unnoticed for many years."

The person in the Gridiron Club said one issue of contention is whether the fundraising is school-

based, or done at the school, makes the funds required to be turned over to an internal account.

In response, Myhre issued a statement that read, in part: "The legal requirements are clear, all funds generated on school campuses to support individual sports/clubs are to be properly receipted and deposited into the school's internal account where records are maintained of the expenditures from those accounts. It doesn't take an extensive google search in the news to see the public outcry for transparency, nor the numerous instances of fraud across the state.

"While I have not uncovered," the statement says, "nor am I accusing anyone one of impropriety, I will not turn a blind eye to a continued practice that is not aligned to law or policy and puts our organization at potential risk. Allowing individuals to not publicly account for, in some cases, tens of thousands of dollars, where there is no public oversight of the expenditures is problematic to say the least. One must wonder why some would be so critical of the elimination of this practice if the proper receipting

and accountability of the funds still supports the student athletes at the same financial level."

Myhre also notes in his statement that recent legislation will require Florida school districts to adapt to numerous changes – including allowing Booster clubs to provide compensation to coaches through the School Board, though he notes that financial regulations don't allow for the payment of staff from internal accounts. "Once again, intentionally diverting funds which are to be receipted into an internal account into an external account, of any type or name, and using them for an improper purpose is impermissible."

He also noted changes in Name-Image-Likeness payments for student-athletes become more prevalent, "the requirements for these payments to come from entities not connected to schools are going to be closely monitored as well. The diversion of funds expected to be accounted as school internal funds, to an external source, which then provides an impermissible benefit places the entire program at risk. I cannot allow our student-athletes to have their program placed on probation due to the potential improper accounting practices such a system would create."

The person with the Gridiron Club said the group had met once with Myhre, and communicated via email, but that he had refused to discuss the matter further – though the person was hopeful for a resolution.

Judge denies stay in Kemp case

By **WILLIAM SNOWDEN**/Editor

The state attorney's office filed an appeal of a judge's ruling dismissing a felony charge of using a public record to harass against former County Commissioner Mike Kemp and requested a stay in the proceedings on a remaining felony for tampering with a witness, but Circuit Court Judge Jeremiah Hawkes denied the motion for a stay in an order issued Tuesday, May 26.

In a three-page order, Judge Hawkes found that granting a stay in the case was not appropriate. The case is set to go to trial the week of Aug. 17.

The case centers on information posted on Wakulla Citizens Facebook page by then-administrator Becky Whaley, provided by Kemp, and given to him by County Commissioner Ralph Thomas, of the voter ID that Kemp and Whaley believed was behind "Thunder Lightning" (sic), who trolled the page and was critical of them. It turned out not to be the person behind the anonymous account, but another person.

The judge dismissed the charge, finding that "responding to public critics, and calling out a notable critic, was not an illegitimate activity for a candidate for office, and indeed was constitutionally protected speech."



Former county commissioner Mike Kemp

Man killed in one-car crash

Staff Report

A 35-year-old Tallahassee man was killed in a crash early Saturday morning on U.S. Highway 98 near Hideaway Lane, according to the Florida Highway Patrol.

The man was driving an SUV traveling west at 1:45 a.m. on Saturday, May 30, when he failed to negotiate a curve and went onto the shoulder of the road and struck a tree.

The man, the sole occupant of the car, was pronounced dead on scene, according to FHP.

FHP was assisted by Wakulla County Sheriff's Office and Wakulla Fire Rescue.

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 JULY 6-23, 2026 MONDAY THROUGH THURSDAY

MEAL TIMES
 BREAKFAST 7:45 AM- 8:45 AM
 LUNCH 11:30 AM- 12:15 PM

WAKULLA MIDDLE SCHOOL
 JUNE 8-30, 2026, MONDAY THROUGH THURSDAY
 JULY 1, 2026 WEDNESDAY
 CLOSED JULY 2 TO OBSERVE THE JULY 4 HOLIDAY
 JULY 6-16, 2026, MONDAY THROUGH THURSDAY

MEAL TIMES
 BREAKFAST 7:45 AM- 8:30 AM
 LUNCH 11:30 AM - 12:15 PM
 WEEKEND MEALS FOR FRIDAY, SATURDAY. AND SUNDAY WILL BE PROVIDED ON THURSDAYS FROM 2:45 PM- 3:15 PM.

SHADEVILLE ELEMENTARY
 JUNE 1-25, 2026 MONDAY THROUGH THURSDAY

MEAL TIMES
 BREAKFAST 8:00 AM- 9:00 AM
 LUNCH 11:30 AM- 12:15 PM
 WEEKEND MEALS FOR FRIDAY, SATURDAY. AND SUNDAY WILL BE PROVIDED ON THURSDAYS FROM 2:45 PM- 3:15 PM.

RIVERSINK ELEMENTARY
 NO MEALS WILL BE OFFERED THE WEEK OF JULY 4TH
 JULY 6-23, 2026 MONDAY THROUGH THURSDAY

MEAL TIMES
 BREAKFAST 8:00 AM- 9:00 AM
 LUNCH 11:30 AM- 12:15 PM
 WEEKEND MEALS FOR FRIDAY, SATURDAY. AND SUNDAY WILL BE PROVIDED ON THURSDAYS FROM 2:45 PM- 3:15 PM.

HAMPTONS OF WAKULLA
 JUNE 1-30, 2026 MONDAY THROUGH THURSDAY
 JULY 1, 2026 WEDNESDAY
 NO MEALS PROVIDED JULY 2, 2026
 JULY 6-23, 2026 MONDAY THROUGH THURSDAY

DELIVERY TIMES
 LUNCH 1:00 PM - 1:30 PM

WAKULLA MIDDLE SCHOOL
 JUNE 9-30, 2026 TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY
 JULY 1, 2026 WEDNESDAY
 NO MEALS PROVIDED JULY 2ND
 JULY 7-23, 2026, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY

DELIVERY TIMES
 TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY 11:00 AM-12:00 PM
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American Legion holds a ride for veterans

By **MARJ LAW**

American Legion Auxiliary

Would you ride 90 miles for our veterans? Would you ride a motorcycle in the rain and wind on Saturday, May 23rd to promote programs for our local vets?

Motorcycle riders would. Despite challenging weather, they came to compete in Wakulla's Post 114's very 1st Annual Bug Run put on by Chris Carraway, head of Chapter 114 of the Division of American Legion Riders, and Mike Simmons, Event Chair.

Over 50 people came out to support this new event, including participating riders, Chapter 114 Riders, and members of the Legion, Auxiliary, and community volunteers.

Here's how it went: Motorcycle riders started out at Crawfordville Auto & Tire which served as base camp. The purpose? To collect the most bugs splattered on their bikes!

From base camp, they drove on to the first site at Ochlocknee River State



American Legion members at the group's first annual Bug Run

Park in Sopchoppy to the next site at San Marcos de Apalache Historic State Park, to the last site at Natural Bridge Battlefield on Natural Bridge Road. 2 or more volunteers awaited them at each stop. Collecting a stamp from each location, riders ended back up at the

starting point.

On this windy rainy day, who collected the most bugs on their bikes?

Nine bugs splattered Eric Daniels' bike and eight bugs decorated Juan Williams' bike. First place winner Eric won a bike detailing from Shawn's Pre-

cision Detailing and second place Juan won a bucket of cleaning supplies to detail his own bike!

And had the morning rain deterred our riders?

No! "I love riding in the rain," declared Jeff Williams. Mike Simmons and Austin Colomb must have thought so too, as they rode from stop to stop, constantly monitoring progress.

Legion & Auxiliary members manned the base camp tents where they served lunch after the competition. Joanna Carraway designed the event's logo which was produced on T-shirts and patches.

"I appreciate each and every person who showed up at this event," thanked Mike Simmons.

Did riders come out to support our veterans and our 1st Annual Bug Run in Wakulla? They did.

Marj Law serves as Historian of American Legion Auxiliary Post 114.

Keep Wakulla County Beautiful to host clean-up

Special to The Sun

The Greatest American Cleanup is a nationwide movement preparing America for her 250th birthday on July 4, 2026. With an ambitious goal to remove 25 billion pieces of litter and engage 25,000 communities, communities are setting the stage for a cleaner, greener, and more beautiful nation in time for this historic celebration.

KWCB has been promoting the Greatest American Cleanup in Wakulla County for these past few months now. You may have seen stickers, signs and flyers all promoting this effort. This effort is ongoing!

We need all your help in continuing to clean and beautify our county.

- Sign the Pledge! <https://kab.org/greatest-american-cleanup/> On line and on our sign! When you sign up you get a fabulous sticker. Signs of your commitment to this effort will be available to participating businesses and groups.

- Help spread the word – social media posts, photos, signs, flyers and stickers to display in your homes or workplaces.

- Adopt a Road – this is an organized program that is available through KWCB and the FL DOT. Pledge to care for a stretch of road on an annual basis with quarterly clean ups. Many organizations and individuals have already committed but we

certainly need more. One of our 250th Anniversary goals is to have 250 miles of road adopted in Wakulla County. We have a way to go to meet that goal and need your help!

- Clean up your property or properties, businesses, etc. Many already do but a little extra spring cleaning would be great!

- Organize a neighborhood or group clean-up of an stretch of road or area. If you need to know of any opportunities, KWCB will give you plenty of ideas. Sadly Wakulla County is a target rich environment. Take Before and After photos – KWCB loves those! You can really appreciate your hard work and efforts when you see those pictures. KWCB will help you set everything up!

- Participate as an individual, a group or a business in our specific efforts – pick up 250 pieces of garbage or help us to reach 250 miles of adopted roads. KWCB is also promoting beautification projects around the county by setting a goal of planting 250 trees this year.

- Join in the event itself!

KWCB is sponsoring a Greatest American Cleanup Community event on Saturday, June 13th from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Hudson Park in Crawfordville. There will be food, fun contests for both adults and kids. A hazardous waste relay, litter scavenger hunts and a dunk tank! There will be vendors and

community groups with info about their programs and organizations.

We'll be publicly recognizing participating businesses, groups and individuals. Some community groups will be having road clean ups that day as well. KWCB hopes you can join us in this worthy community effort and event!

Check out KWCB's website kwcb.org and FB page for updates and more information. You can also send us email at keepwakullabeautiful@gmail.com

There will be plenty of visitors for our July 4th celebrations – up and down this area. Let them see how great and sparkling clean our county can be.

Wakulla County is a very unique place – it compasses forests, rivers and a seashore. People who live here stay here for generations. There's not a lot of places left like that in America. Wakulla County is growing by leaps and bounds. All the more reason to protect this unique environment. We need everyone's help to insure Wakulla County remains this uniquely beautiful place for the next 250 years!

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Public Service Announcement Meeting Announcement

The Apalachee Regional Planning Council announces a meeting to which all persons are invited. The Wakulla County Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board will meet on Wednesday, June 17, 2026, at 10:00 am Eastern Time, at the Wakulla County Community Center, 318 Shadeville Rd., Crawfordville, FL 32327. The agenda will include its regular quarterly business items and updating the Transportation Disadvantaged Service Plan. For additional information contact Austin Britt, TD Program Coordinator at the Apalachee Regional Planning Council at 850-312-1862, or by email at abritt@arpc.org.

May 28, June 4, 2026

City of Sopchoppy Notice of Public Meeting

The City of Sopchoppy will hold two regular monthly meetings Monday, June 8, 2026, at 6:30 p.m. and Tuesday, June 23, 2026, at 3:00 p.m. Both meetings will be held at City Hall, 105 Municipal Avenue, Sopchoppy, FL.

Purpose of Meeting: General Business.

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

Persons with a disability needing a special accommodation should contact the City of Sopchoppy, Administration Office at least two (2) days prior to the meeting at (850) 962-4611.

June 4, 2026

4-H awards ceremony is held

By **RACHEL PIENTA**

Special to The Sun

On a rainy spring evening in Wakulla County, the spirit of service, leadership, and youthful ambition filled the room as families, volunteers, and community leaders gathered to celebrate the annual Wakulla 4-H Awards Celebration.

The program opened with welcoming remarks from Extension Agent Rachel Pienta, Program Assistant Christy Pearson, and County Commissioner Quincee Messersmith. Youth members led American and 4-H pledges, traditions that reflect both civic pride and the organization's core values.

Graduating senior Caden Gruebel delivered the keynote address, reflecting on his five years in 4-H. His journey, marked by leadership, competition, and service, illustrated the program's lasting impact on youth development and set an inspiring tone for the evening.

A cornerstone of the celebration was honoring club participation, an essential part of the 4-H experience. Youth who attended at least half of their club meetings were recognized for their commitment, with awards presented across a diverse range of clubs.

Wakulla 4 H members continued to shine as they moved beyond the county level. Numerous youth competed in district events, including the Northwest District



4-H Director Rachel Pienta hands out awards to youth.

Food Challenge, the Pan-handle Poultry Show, and Area North horse competitions.

Among the district winners:

- Josie Counce, Laila Brown, and Jace Perez earned first-place honors in the Intermediate Food Challenge.

- Mae Counce, Riley Schaefer, Claire Urbik, and Emily Urbik claimed second place as a junior team.

- Caroline Faulk captured multiple awards in poultry exhibition and photography.

- Riders such as Braelynn Anne Cilano and Kyndall Campbell placed across multiple events, while Riley Manning earned a first-place finish in the keyhole race at the senior level.

At the state level, Wakulla youth achieved notable success. Lauretta Compton earned first place in the Senior Illustrated Talk.

The county's shooting sports program also excelled, with Parker Smith

earning first place in Senior Trap and contributing to a third-place team finish. Emiliano Cadena placed in multiple skeet and overall categories, while Warner Counce and teammates Caleb and Nathan O'Grady secured third place in the Senior Team State Shotgun Match.

On the national stage, Noah Pearson represented Wakulla County at the National Shooting Sports Championships in June 2025 – an achievement highlighting both individual dedication and the strength of the county program.

Community Pride projects, led by youth including Caden Gruebel, Kynthia Yoshioka, Emily Zak, and Edison Zak, further demonstrated the commitment of Wakulla 4-H'ers to improving their community.

The ceremony also recognized members' long-term dedication through Years in 4-H awards, honoring youth from first-year partici-

pants to veterans with up to nine years in the program.

Member Excellence Awards highlighted individuals who exemplify the highest standards of achievement, including:

- Bronze honorees Braelynn Anne Cilano, Hiroshi Yoshioka, Mae Counce, and Josie Counce

- Silver honorees Caden Gruebel and Lauretta Compton

The Wakulla 4 H Shotgun Club was recognized with the prestigious Gold Clover Club Excellence Award, reflecting outstanding team performance and program quality.

In addition, Emily Zak and Caden Gruebel were honored with the State 4-H Communicator Award for their work in podcasting, highlighting innovation and leadership in emerging program areas.

As the evening concluded, Pienta reflected on a year defined by growth, resilience, and success, "The celebration served not only to recognize accomplishments, but also to highlight the strong network of volunteers, families, and leaders who support Wakulla's youth."

Behind every award presented was a story of perseverance and learning. From first-time participants to seasoned competitors, Wakulla 4-H members continue to embody the organization's motto: "To make the best better."

Opinions

THE FIRST AMENDMENT

“Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances.”

Ask Judge Smith: A sprint through the Bill of Rights



By **JUDGE LAYNE SMITH**

Before the Revolutionary War, British troops occupied Boston and imposed martial law. Throughout the colonies, colonists were not allowed to gather, speak freely, or publish anything critical of British rule. British officials searched people and private property when-

ever they felt like it, and forcibly housed their troops in American homes without permission or compensation. Following hunches and gossip, they arrested and jailed people without cause.

With this background, our Founders had good reasons to fear tyrants and centralized authority. Their fears led to the creation of the Bill of Rights. That said, let's review what the Bill of Rights does for us.

First Amendment
Congress cannot establish a state religion, tell you how to worship, keep you from expressing your thoughts, or censor or shut down the media. It cannot prevent people from

gathering peacefully. And people can petition the government for relief, which means they can make complaints, sue the government, and lobby it for change.

Second Amendment (exactly as written)

A well-regulated militia, being necessary to the security of a free state, the right of the people to keep and bear arms, shall not be infringed.

Third Amendment
The government cannot force people to house soldiers in their homes during times of peace. During wartime, it can only do so as prescribed by law.

Fourth Amendment
The Fourth Amendment protects people's privacy. Government

cannot conduct unreasonable searches and seizures of persons or private property, but can conduct searches and seizures that have been authorized by search warrants.

Judges can issue search warrants on findings of probable cause supported by sworn testimony. Search warrants must describe with particularity the places to be searched and the things to be seized.

Fifth Amendment
Only a grand jury can bring certain criminal charges against defendants. Anyone found not guilty of an offense cannot be retried for the same offense, and people's property cannot be taken from them unless

they're fairly compensated.

Criminal defendants cannot be forced to testify about the charges against them, and they will not face any repercussions for remaining silent. A person's life, liberty, or property cannot be taken from them without "due process of law."

Sixth Amendment
Criminal defendants must be informed of the specific charges against them so they can defend themselves. They have the right to speedy and public trials by impartial juries. They have the right to counsel, to confront opposing witnesses, and to present defenses.

Seventh Amendment
A person has the

right to a jury trial in a civil lawsuit if certain thresholds are met.

Eighth Amendment (exactly as written)

Excessive bail shall not be required, nor excessive fines imposed, nor cruel and unusual punishment inflicted.

Ninth Amendment
People have more rights than those listed in the Constitution.

Tenth Amendment
The states keep all powers the Constitution does not expressly delegate to the federal government nor deny to the states.

The Honorable J. Layne Smith is the Circuit Judge assigned to Wakulla County, Florida, a bestselling author, and a public speaker.

LETTERS FROM READERS

Musings on current politics

Editor, The Sun:

A collection of musings: Today's culture wars provide me with a great deal of mirth. Mainly due to nearly 50% of our fellow citizens are seemingly incapable of critical thinking and rely, primarily, on emotions.

Just a few examples:
• No Kings Protests. These protests exemplify the most idiotic of today's

current observations by folks who can't seem to overcome emotions and reject objectivity. I proffer the following:

Where were the No Kings protesters when Obama shoved ObamaCare down our throats and threaten to fine us if we did not purchase from his pals of the insurance companies? Imagine how thrilled you would be if the federal government commanded your fellow citizens to buy only your doughnuts!

Where were these pathetic protesters when Biden commanded us to take the job otherwise we would lose our livelihoods?

• **Gerrymandering.** To save democracy and save the planet, one national political brand engaged in malfeasance and sleight of hand to deceive simple-minded voters that voting districts should be modified to favor one party only. If a proposal is worthy of consideration, supposedly to save democracy, why engage in malfeasance and deception?

• **The Epstein files.** For those fake moralists, spare me your hypocritical outrage. Where were you when Epstein was all the rage the last 20 years? You allowed grown-men into little girls' bathrooms. Shut the Eff up!

• **#47:** The most energetic President in my lifetime. No, I am not going to his house for dinner and he is not coming

to my house for dinner. Yet, give #47 his due, he works harder and smarter than any other President I have been acquainted with. Before you spew TDS, swallow your spittle and think of this:

His Secretary of State, Marco Rubio, may be the most effective and dominant SOS ever.

Willingness to address the Iran issue is spot-on. I don't like paying another extra dollar for fuel but imagine what the costs would be if Iran had nukes? C'mon, imagine that.

NATO's "shelf life" may be waning. It's about time an American president addressed the NATO issue. If the Euros don't think it's worth it for them to pay for their own defense, why should we?

Robert Franco
Wakulla County

On the Horizon

Calendar of events for the week of June 4

Thursday, June 4

- The Rotary Club of Wakulla County meets at the TSC Wakulla Center at 8:30 a.m. on Thursdays.
- Coastal Optimist Club meets at noon at Myra Jean's on the first and third Thursdays.
- The VFW Auxiliary Bingo Night will be held at 7 p.m. at 475 Arran Road in Crawfordville, every Thursday. There are concessions and raffles.
- Alcoholics Anonymous meets at 6:30 p.m. every Thursday at 54 Ochlockonee St.

Friday, June 5

- Alcoholics Anonymous meets at noon and 8 p.m. every Friday at 54 Ochlockonee St.

Saturday, June 6

- 'Sinners,' the award-winning movie, will be screened at Palaver Tree Theater, 59 Shadeville Road, at 8 p.m. It's a pay-what-you-can event.
- Summer Smiles Family Fun Day, sponsored by Wakulla Giving Hands, will be held at Sopchoppy Gym from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- The Panacea Community Garden Farmer's Market will be held from 9 a.m. to 12 noon in Panacea.

Sunday, June 7

- Wakulla Giving Hands holds a food giveaway every Sunday from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. at the facility across from Medart Elementary on Highway 98.

- Alcoholics Anonymous meets every Sunday at 6:30 p.m. at 54 Ochlockonee St.

Monday, June 8

- Planning commission meets in the commission boardroom at 6 p.m.
- Sopchoppy City Commission meets at City hall at 6:30 p.m.
- The Wakulla Respite Program is available for anyone with memory impairment at no cost from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Lake Ellen Baptist Church every Monday.
- Alcoholics Anonymous meets at 6 p.m. for women and 8 p.m. for men every Monday at 54 Ochlockonee St.
- Gentle Yoga and Stretching Class with Margaret every Monday at 11 a.m. First Baptist Church CLC Building in Crawfordville. Bring a mat.

Tuesday, June 2

- Sopchoppy community dinner is held every week at the Towles House at 6:30 p.m.
- Alcoholics Anonymous meets every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. at 54 Ochlockonee St.

Wednesday, June 3

- Alcoholics Anonymous meets at noon and 6:30 p.m. every Wednesday at 54 Ochlockonee St.

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Polled at the Wakulla Senior Citizens Center: What invention in your lifetime amazes you the most?



GLEND MCCARTHY
Retired Dental Hygienist

“The microwave, I use it the most.”



JACQUELINE LAFRAGE
Former Foster Parent

“The cellphone. I remember stretching that long cord to get privacy, we had six kids in our family growing up.”



BETTY REESE
Retired Homecare

“For me, it was going on a cruise for the first time ever. I went with my church group. That’s just too much water for me, I thought about the Titanic.”



JOHN ROJAS
Retired USPS

“The one I am most thankful for is air conditioning.”



GEORGIA CLOUTH
Retired Travel Agent

“The American way of life.”

Wakulla Crossroads

By **VERNA BROCK**

This past Saturday afternoon a large portion of Wakulla County attended the Wakulla Dance Academy’s annual recital at Chiles High School. Among all the other celebrations at this time of year, this event is one of my favorites. Of course that has nothing to do with the fact that my granddaughter is a participant!

It is so exciting to watch these children work, learn and grow from year to year. This year, two dancers are graduating, after a lifetime of dance.

Their performances were amazing and beautiful. The participants ranged from pre-school age to high school graduates, which provides a real perspective on the journey dancers traverse from beginners to virtuosos.

We finally received decent rain here in Wakulla, really for the first time in months. Literally overnight, my flower gardens have burst into life. Though the weeds prospered more than my flowers, they really exploded into a frenzy of growth after the rain. Grass changed from crispy to green, and I even briefly had puddles! Yes, it has

been hot and humid, but I’m very glad for the rain.

The pond is starting to fill again, which is making the frog chorus very happy. It’s fun to wander out after dusk and just listen to the cacophony. You might be surprised at just how loud the amphibious choir can be. Sometimes I get lucky and get to watch the bats dip and dive as they chase insects across the sky, and when it gets really dark, I can watch the fireflies flicker on and off.

Every now and then, the game cameras catch a random cat, fox or raccoon rambling across the property looking for tasty treats. You just never know what will show up from one night to the next. They definite-

ly make short work of our peaches, citrus and berries when they’re in season. What the cats are looking for is anyone’s guess, except perhaps a short-cut from point A to point B.

Next Sunday, the Wakulla United Methodist Church will host a potluck dinner following the service, and all are welcome to join. They will host a Church garage sale on Saturday, June 13th to help raise funds to support the food pantry, and there will be lots of “cool stuff” there.

The Woodville UMC will have its Second Sunday Sing on Sunday, June 14th, at 6 p.m., with a fellowship supper at 7. Everyone is invited to join in for a great time.

4-H holds Community Pride Project

Special to The Sun

The Wakulla County 4-H Community Pride Project took a powerful step toward youth awareness and prevention this year with “Prevention Before Intervention,” a teen town hall created by youth, for youth. Led by Emily Zak and co-hosted by Caden Gruebel, the event opened honest conversations about substance use, mental health, peer pressure, leadership, and the importance of connection within the community.

Throughout the evening, members of FLOW (Future Leaders of Wakulla) shared personal messages focused on challenges many teens face today and the importance of making positive choices. Emily Zak opened the discussion with a presentation titled “Social Media vs. Reality,” reminding attendees that the lives people portray online are often far from perfect.

“Most of what people post is just what they want people to see or think about their lives,” Zak explained. “And most of the time, it makes you compare yourself to them and makes you think you’re not enough. But that’s not true.”

Zak encouraged youth to remember that struggles are a normal part of life and growth. “Real life comes with struggles and challenges,” she shared. “Those things are like a package deal. If you have struggles and challenges, you get growth.”

Lani Lopez-Logan followed with a discussion on mental health and stress, speaking about the importance of acknowledging struggles that many young people experience but often keep hidden. Destyn Kohn then addressed peer pressure, explaining that it does not always come in the form of direct force or obvious persuasion.

The conversation continued as Gage Hand emphasized the importance of safe spaces where youth feel comfortable opening up without fear of judgment. Edison Zak spoke about



Participants in a Teen Town Hall about ‘One Pill Can Kill.’

leadership and finding your voice, explaining that leadership is more than just having good manners.

“Leadership isn’t about manners,” Zak said. “It’s about being willing to speak up and realize your ideas and opinions matter.”

Closing out the youth speaker portion, Kynthia Yoshioka shared a message about positive choices and overcoming challenges. She reminded attendees that while life does not always go according to plan, struggles do not define a person.

“Making positive choices can be hard,” Yoshioka explained, “but always remember, your struggles don’t define you. How you deal with them does.”

Following the youth presentations, Caden Gruebel shared a moving testimony about someone who had passed away, helping transition the evening into a deeper discussion about the realities of substance abuse and overdose prevention.

Emily Zak then introduced special guest speakers from the Drug Enforcement Administration in Miami, DEA agents Keith Barker and Gretchen Rovira. Barker spoke about his work preventing drugs from reaching consumers and arresting drug dealers. Through personal stories and experiences from his career, he emphasized the importance of teamwork, trust, and communication.

One story Barker shared involved a major chase as a new DEA agent that led him across a city and onto an airplane in pursuit of a suspect. Relying entirely on his partner to contact the Chicago DEA office, Barker recalled the uncertainty he felt during the flight until another agent met him upon arrival and informed him the area had already been secured.

Rovira delivered the DEA’s “One Pill Can Kill” presentation, highlighting the dangers of fentanyl and counterfeit pills. She explained that more than 80,000 overdose deaths

occur annually in the United States and demonstrated how only two milligrams of fentanyl, an amount barely the size of the tip of a pencil, can be deadly.

She also introduced attendees to “The Faces of Fentanyl” memorial wall, which has since become digital after the physical wall in Arlington, Virginia, ran out of space.

“I really appreciate the opportunity to be able to share the message that one pill can kill,” Rovira said.

After dinner, attendees participated in a Q&A panel featuring Michelle Peltier of the Florida Department of Health, Stacey Brian of DISC Village, Sheriff Jared Miller, and Gretchen Rovira. The discussion allowed youth and community members to continue the conversation and ask questions openly.

“No matter what, always be a leader,” said Stacey Brian of DISC Village. “Recovery is possible for everyone.”

Sheriff Jared Miller praised the youth organizers and the effort behind the event.

“This town hall meeting was a special event for the youth to put on,” Miller said. “The organization of such great future leaders makes me proud to be in Wakulla County.”

Caden Gruebel also reflected on the impact of the evening.

“It was great to see everyone come out in aid and support,” Gruebel said. “I am grateful for our speakers helping open eyes with what dangers are really out there, and great job to Emily and the youth for putting it together.”

For Emily Zak, the event represented more than just a town hall, it was an opportunity to create meaningful conversations among local youth.

“I was so excited to be the lead for this event because I’m very passionate about this topic, and I believe it’s important to youth,” Zak said. “Thank you to everyone who came out, talked, and supported the Teen Town Hall and Sunset Social Dance.”

Outdoors

outdoor sports

HOME ON THE RANGE

Does handgun length make a difference?



By MARJ LAW

“Oh, you’re just saying that,” scoffs Cindy. “A handgun with a small barrel is going to be much easier to shoot than one with a longer barrel. It will have less recoil, and I sure don’t want a gun with much recoil. In fact, I’m even considering an airweight revolver. Why lug around a revolver all made of steel? A revolver with a polymer frame will be light in my hands, short for concealment and light in recoil.”

Well... Not so, as Madison Heim in Athlon Outdoors found out.

While he agrees that recoil is a concern for new shooters, this is what he learned: “When I first started shooting, I assumed that the lighter a handgun was, the less recoil that would be felt. However, I quickly learned it was the exact opposite. Essentially, pistols that are on the heavier side typically have less felt recoil, due to their larger mass, which in turn creates less energy transference

into a shooter’s hands and body.”

Since Cindy is so adamant about recoil, length of barrel and size and weight of a gun, Joe and I offer to let her shoot three different revolvers so she can notice the difference for herself.

The three handguns are the S&W Chief’s Special, the Colt Diamondback, and the S&W Model 14-2. The Chief has a 1.88-inch barrel, the Diamondback has a 4-inch barrel, and the S&W Model 14-2 has a 6-inch barrel.

2, 4, and 6 inch barrels. When she finds out for herself, she’ll know that the heavier gun with the longer barrel will have less recoil. There’s quite a difference in weight too. The Chief weighs 19.64 ounces, the Diamondback is 28.5 ounces and the Model 14-2 weighs 36 ounces. Yes, there is a big difference in weight.

“Oh, I don’t want to shoot your guns,” protests Cindy. “But I’ll watch you shoot them. I’ll be able to notice your hands flying upward if there’s recoil, and I’ll check out the target to see how accurately you’re shooting.”

We are at the Wakulla County Sheriff’s Office range, as usual on a Wednesday morning around 10 a.m.

Joe and I agree to shoot each gun while Cindy watches. It’s important for a beginner especially to avoid a lot of recoil. As Madison went on to say, “For

2, 4, or 6” Barrel: Which has less recoil?



many new shooters, the sensation of a handgun’s recoil (kick) can be startling and overwhelming. This can lead to obstacles such as flinching, improper trigger control and shooting fatigue.”

“Shoot the smallest gun first, because that’s about the size I want,” Cindy instructs.

We are aiming at 8-inch targets, 20 feet away. We will shoot three rounds from each handgun.

Joe picks up the Chief, aims and shoots. Oops! Where did it go?

Now, let me say, Joe takes his guns very seriously. He would never shoot badly on purpose. That one shot with the Chief simply didn’t hit the target. He shoots twice more. These hit the target, but not near the center.

My turn. I pick up that little gun and aim. Bam! OK, it has some recoil.

Quite a bit of recoil. I grip harder and shoot twice more. Well, at least they all hit the target, but they are on those outer rims. Usually, I shoot better than that. I sure wouldn’t want to shoot this gun all day.

Cindy is not impressed. “I thought you guys came out here almost every week! I thought you’d shoot better than that!”

We do. And yes, poor shooting is embarrassing.

Joe picks up the Diamondback. He aims and fires. Bam! Ah! Much closer to the center! He shoots twice more and each bullet hits close to the center of the target.

My turn. I hold on tightly, remembering the strong kick of the Chief. Bam!

Wow! The Diamondback is so smooth! Trigger pull is easier and trigger pull travel is easi-

er, too. And there’s much less recoil. The gun is very well balanced. I like it. And I just touched the X-ring with my first shot. Yay!

My next two shots aren’t so good, but they are close to the center.

“I didn’t see the front of the gun rise nearly so much when you shot this gun,” commented Cindy. She’s surprised.

Last, we shoot the Model 14-2. All our shots are close to the center of the target. Not bad. Joe thinks it has a lighter trigger and trigger travel than the Chief; about the same as the Diamondback. I find trigger pull and travel more difficult, but the grip is way too big for me. Getting a good hold makes a difference in how we shoot, but this one is not the original grip. Joe changed it out because he needs a larger one for his big hands.

“I can tell that both of you experienced more recoil with the Chief’s Special than either the Diamondback or the Model 14-2.” she comments. “That’s not what I expected. But I do want a gun with a short barrel so I can fit it in my purse.”

What should Cindy do?

Boyd Smith on Re-loader Addict brings up this question.

“What’s the right choice for self-defense then?” he asks, and then continues: “Really, the decision between long and short barrels for self-defense comes down to personal preference, intended use, and individual lifestyles or needs. For those who want concealment and maneuverability, short barrels are mostly the better choice. They are easier to carry, quicker to deploy, and more suited for close-quarters encounters.”

Cindy deliberates for a moment.

“I certainly don’t want a gun with a 6-inch barrel. It’s too big and won’t fit in my purse. It’s also too big to put on an inside-the-waistband holster or even in an outside-the-waistband one. There isn’t any way I could conceal it on my body. So that leaves me with the small and compact handgun, or one with a 3-4 inch barrel.”

“Since I’d also like to come out to the range and practice, I don’t think I’d practice much with the smaller handgun. It has too much recoil, so it wouldn’t be enjoyable.”

Note: Joe and I will not be at the range for the next two Wednesdays. We will be back on Wednesdays after these should anyone want some assistance.

Marj Law is the former director of Keep Wakulla County Beautiful who has become an avid shooter in retirement.



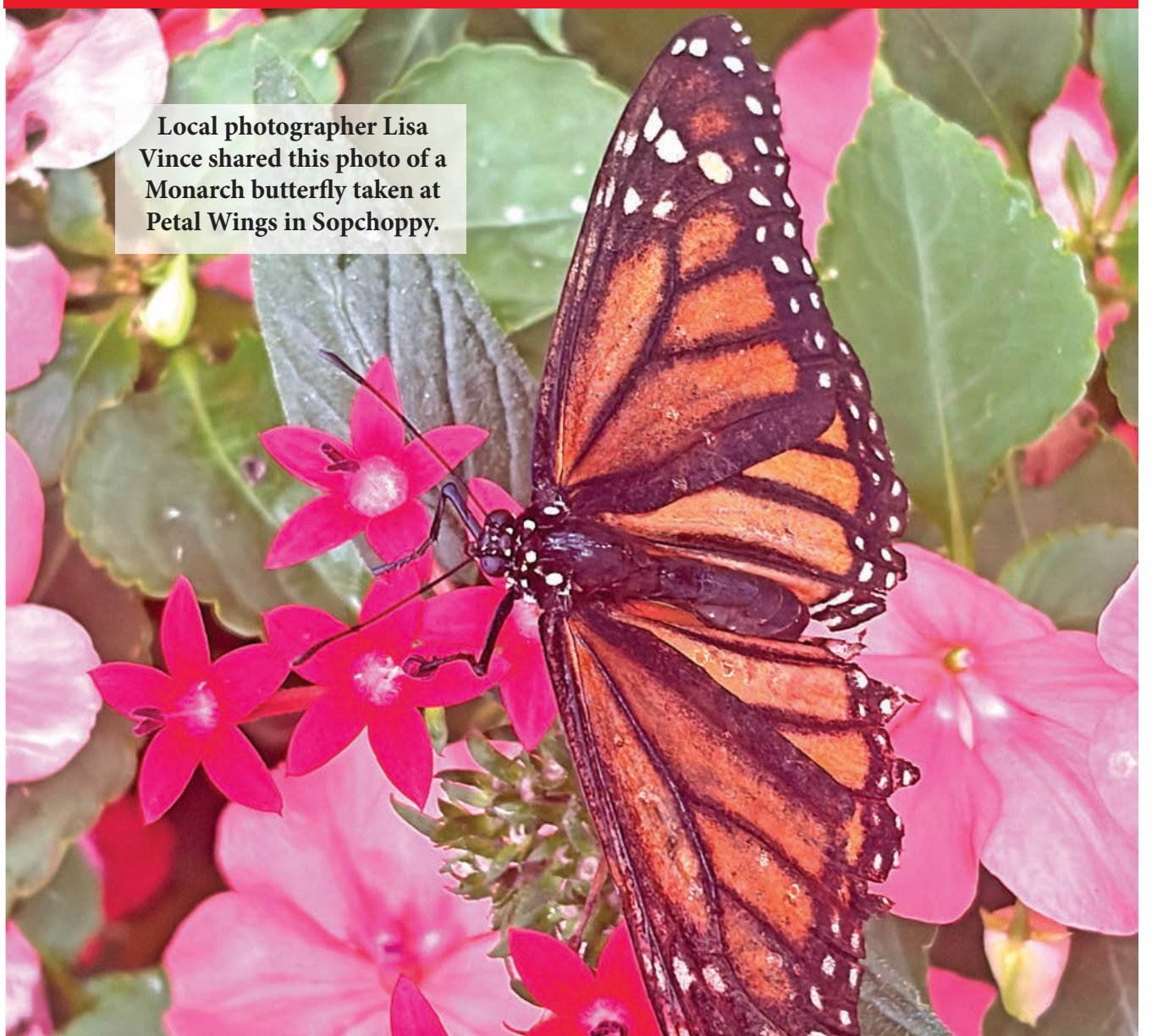
SERPENT STAR
(*Ophioderma brevispinum*)

This distinctive sea star can grow to 3 inches. It lives in shallow subtidal sea grass areas. These starfish are predatory and scavenger both catching prey or eating detritus. They have a high tolerance for fluctuations in salinity. This sea star has an unusual life cycle. The larvae hatch, enter a plankton stage for a mere 4-5 days and then metamorphose to the nonswimming form. This adaptation allows them to survive in the unstable water conditions of shallow seas..

Eukarya, Animalia, Echinodermata, Ophiuridia, Ophidermataidae, Ophiderma



WEEKLY WILDLIFE PHOTO



Local photographer Lisa Vince shared this photo of a Monarch butterfly taken at Petal Wings in Sopchoppy.

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Best fishing days this month
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June 8, 12 - 17

Thursday 4
Sun rise/set 6:35 AM 8:35 PM
Moon rise/set 11:37 PM 9:59 AM
Moon Illumination 84%
Friday 5
Sun rise/set 6:35 AM 8:35 PM
Moon rise/set 12:14 AM 10:57 AM
Moon Illumination 76%
Saturday 6
Sun rise/set 6:35 AM 8:36 PM
Moon rise/set 12:47 AM 11:55 AM
Moon Illumination 67%
Sunday 7
Sun rise/set 6:35 AM 8:36 PM
Moon rise/set 1:18 AM 12:53 PM
Moon Illumination 58%
Monday 8
Sun rise/set 6:35 AM 8:37 PM
Moon rise/set 1:46 AM 1:51 PM
Moon Illumination 47%
Tuesday 9
Sun rise/set 6:35 AM 8:37 PM
Moon rise/set 2:15 AM 2:52 PM
Moon Illumination 37%
Wednesday 10
Sun rise/set 6:35 AM 8:38 PM
Moon rise/set 2:45 AM 3:55 PM
Moon Illumination 26%

For tides at the following points add to Dog Island Listings:
High Tide Low Tide
Carrabelle 28 Min. 25 Min.
Apalachicola 1 Hr., 53 Min. 2 Hrs., 38 Min.
Cat Point 1 Hr., 13 Min. 2 Hrs., 31 Min.
Lower Anchorage 1 Hr., 36 Min. 2 Hrs., 3 Min.
West Pass 1 Hr., 26 Min. 2 Hrs., 39 Min.

St. Marks River Entrance

Th	5:54 am ▲ 3.1 ft	10:49 am ▼ 1.7 ft	4:33 pm ▲ 3.7 ft	11:57 pm ▼ -0.1 ft
Fr	6:34 am ▲ 3.1 ft	11:34 am ▼ 1.7 ft	5:14 pm ▲ 3.5 ft	
Sa	12:35 am ▼ 0.1 ft	7:16 am ▲ 3.1 ft	12:29 pm ▼ 1.7 ft	6:04 pm ▲ 3.3 ft
Su	1:18 am ▼ 0.3 ft	8:01 am ▲ 3.1 ft	1:36 pm ▼ 1.6 ft	7:13 pm ▲ 3.0 ft
Mo	2:08 am ▼ 0.6 ft	8:48 am ▲ 3.1 ft	2:55 pm ▼ 1.4 ft	8:46 pm ▲ 2.8 ft
Tu	3:04 am ▼ 0.9 ft	9:35 am ▲ 3.2 ft	4:15 pm ▼ 1.0 ft	10:30 pm ▲ 2.8 ft
We	4:05 am ▼ 1.3 ft	10:21 am ▲ 3.4 ft	5:26 pm ▼ 0.5 ft	11:58 pm ▲ 3.0 ft

City of St. Marks

Th	12:27 am ▼ -0.2 ft	6:30 am ▲ 2.9 ft	11:53 am ▼ 1.5 ft	5:09 pm ▲ 3.4 ft
Fr	1:01 am ▼ -0.1 ft	7:10 am ▲ 2.9 ft	12:38 pm ▼ 1.6 ft	5:50 pm ▲ 3.3 ft
Sa	1:39 am ▼ 0.1 ft	7:52 am ▲ 2.9 ft	1:33 pm ▼ 1.6 ft	6:40 pm ▲ 3.1 ft
Su	2:22 am ▼ 0.3 ft	8:37 am ▲ 2.9 ft	2:40 pm ▼ 1.5 ft	7:49 pm ▲ 2.8 ft
Mo	3:12 am ▼ 0.6 ft	9:24 am ▲ 2.9 ft	3:59 pm ▼ 1.3 ft	9:22 pm ▲ 2.6 ft
Tu	4:08 am ▼ 0.9 ft	10:11 am ▲ 3.0 ft	5:19 pm ▼ 0.9 ft	11:06 pm ▲ 2.6 ft
We	5:09 am ▼ 1.1 ft	10:57 am ▲ 3.1 ft	6:30 pm ▼ 0.5 ft	

Shell Point, Spring Creek

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Fr	12:19 am ▼ 0.1 ft	6:58 am ▲ 3.1 ft	11:50 am ▼ 1.9 ft	5:26 pm ▲ 3.6 ft
Sa	12:57 am ▼ 0.2 ft	7:41 am ▲ 3.1 ft	12:49 pm ▼ 1.8 ft	6:20 pm ▲ 3.3 ft
Su	1:40 am ▼ 0.5 ft	8:26 am ▲ 3.1 ft	2:02 pm ▼ 1.7 ft	7:34 pm ▲ 3.0 ft
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We	4:25 am ▼ 1.4 ft	10:45 am ▲ 3.5 ft	5:48 pm ▼ 0.4 ft	

Alligator Point, Ochlockonee Bay

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St. Teresa, Turkey Pt.

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Dog Island West End

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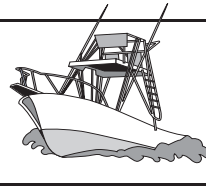
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Coast Guard Auxiliary Reports

By Emory Smith



The Boating Season is now in full swing! Here's a few tips to stay safe on the water this Summer!

Wear your Life Jackets!

Floatation devices on a boat are a must-have item. According to the U.S. Coast Guard, 85 percent of drowning victims in recreational boating accidents were not wearing a life jacket.

Even if everyone on board the boat is a strong swimmer, if you or your group is stranded in the water for a long period of time or becomes incapacitated in the water, wearing a life jacket or life vest increases your chances of survival.

The U.S. Coast Guard requires anyone ages 13 and under to be wearing a Coast Guard-approved life jacket at all times. There must also be one lifejacket for every person onboard.

Be sure to wear the life jacket properly – with both arms through, zipped up and/or buckled together.

Don't Drink and Boat!

Alcohol use is the leading known contributing factor in fatal boating accidents, according to the Safe Boating Council. Alcohol affects a person's vision, judgment, coordination, and balance.

Operating a boat while intoxicated is not only dangerous to yourself, everyone on your vessel, and those

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or (850) 284-1166

around you – it is also a crime. To avoid any potentially dangerous situations, choose a sober driver ahead of time.

Carry a First Aid Kit!

First aid kits are available at most pharmacies and retail stores. The American Red Cross has a list of items that should be included in every first aid kit – including bandages, gauze, antibiotic cream, antiseptic, tweezers, and a thermometer.

Know before you go, especially the weather!

Being out on the open water feels great – unless the weather starts to turn. When wind and rain start to move in, things can become unsafe pretty quickly.

Check the forecast the night before and the morning of your planned boating day to ensure you don't encounter any severe weather. If there is a chance of rough weather, have a plan to avoid getting caught in a storm.

Keep Your Eyes Open!

Be aware of what – and who – is around you

and the boat in which you are riding.

Some bodies of water have speed limits and no wake zones that need to be respected. Drivers of motorized boats should always be looking out for people in smaller vessels (e.g., kayaks, rowboats, etc.) or swimmers.

Hazardous tree limbs, sandbars, and other obstructions in shallow waterways also create the possibility of damaging the boat or injuring people on board. Being attentive about these potential problems will make for a better overall boating experience.

Have a great time on the water and be safe! As Sherrie says, "Safe boating is no accident!"

If you would like to learn more about vessel safety checks, please contact Steve Hults, Staff Officer for Vessel Examinations at steve.hults@uscgaux.net

Please contact us for more information about our safe boating classes or learning more about getting involved in the Auxiliary, check out our website at www.uscgaux.net follow us on Facebook @ Apalachee Bay Flotilla 12 or contact our Flotilla Commander Phil Hill at pnkhill2000@yahoo.com

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Underwater Wakulla

By Gregg Stanton

Winter Storage. September 20, 2012

The winter brings cooler and rougher ocean water that often lessens diver enthusiasm. If you want to continue diving during the winter, the caverns of North Florida from Morrison Springs and Jackson Blue to our west, Orange Grove, Peacock, Troy and Ginnie to our east and Divers Den and Blue Grotto to our south

make for wonderful dives (as long as you are Cavern qualified). Their waters are usually clear and constant temperature year around. The drive time is between one and two hours. Those who can, travel to warm dive destinations in the winter. When winter interest step up such as hunting, school and football, our diving equipment is forgotten. How should we store it and where?

Proper storage now can save money and needless delays next spring. So gather up your dive equipment and let's get started. Many folks take their regulator in for its annual inspection before storage, others in the spring before use.

Cylinders need to be stored full of breathing gas, or completely empty and open. A partially filled aluminum cylinder stored in a closet becomes a bomb when your house burns down.

Recall you basic physics: you can expect a 5 psi increase in pressure for every 1 degree increase in ambient temperature. A full cylinder at 3000 psi will pop its safety burst disc before the cylinder melts down and relieve the pressure of the cylinder. A half-filled cylinder will not, resulting in a failure to contain the gas and a sudden explosive rupture. Shrapnel from the cylinder wall will cause further damage and possible injury.

Now is the time to inspect the dates for testing and schedule any tests before you need to use your cylinders. We are often asked to fill out of hydro or VIP cylinders in the spring, causing further unwanted delays. Store your cylinders standing up with some type of restraint to keep them from falling over. Cylinders may be

tied to a wall or closet using an eye bolt and some 1/4 inch line from the bolt and around the valve. Steel round bottom cylinders need a boot to be more stable standing up.

I am certain you rinse your equipment after each dive. But now you should soak all of it. Fill your BC with fresh water and submerge it in a tub of fresh water overnight. Be sure to seal the first stage of your regulator (dust cap) before submerging the entire regulator in with the BC.

Yes, toss in your fins, mask, snorkel, gloves, speargun, dive gear bag and wet suit as well. You need to soak out the salts before a long storage. The next day, remove the equipment from the tub and drain the BC, hang everything out to dry in the shade, and inflate the BC with dry air from your tank.

Once dry, your rubber parts can be lightly powdered with talcum, a natural preservative. I do not recommend dumping talcum into the snorkel or the second stage of the regulator however. If you forget to clean it out next spring, breathing talcum is unpleasant. Roll or fold up your wet suit (do not hang it on a wire hanger!) and store it on a shelf away from any motors or gas furnace as ozone generated by these devices will destroy the rubber. Hang your BC in the same closet on a strong hanger or one that is designed for dive equipment.

Your regulator can be coiled up on a shelf or attached to the special BC hanger that has clips for the regulator. Much of the rest of your equipment can go back into your gear bag, now that it has dried, and stored on yet another shelf.

When the soft spring breeze beckons you to dive again, you will find your dive equipment ready to reliably serve your underwater needs once again.

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Becoming the wife Bert thought he married

By **SHERYL H. BOLDT**

Years ago, I was critical and angry with my husband, Bert. The more he put his work and needs ahead of me and our relationship, the worse my attitude became.

I felt rejected, and I wasn't shy about letting

him know how I felt.

One day, our conflict boiled over. "We can't go on like this. I want a divorce," Bert said, throwing his wedding ring onto the coffee table as he headed to the garage. His words sliced through me as I crumpled to the floor.

"God, please change me!" I cried, clutching Bert's wedding ring. I felt God's gentle, albeit convicting, nudging. Whether my behavior was "justified" or not, as an imitator of Christ, it was not God-honoring (nor Bert-honoring).

For the next several weeks, I began to practice

the principles presented in Dr. Emerson Eggerichs' and R.T. Kendall's books ("Love & Respect: The Love She Most Desires; The Respect He Desperately Needs" and "Total Forgiveness," respectively), which caused me to think and behave differently. I treated Bert more respectfully and, with God's help, chose to forgive him for his failures while continuing to take responsibility for mine.

I didn't do everything perfectly, but my repentance was real. As I prayed constantly and meditated on God's Word every day, I sensed God's

presence penetrating my innermost being.

My hope grew. Thankfully, so did my understanding of my significance and calling in Jesus. As a Christ-follower, I'm called to lovingly serve my husband, even when he "doesn't deserve it." Doing this doesn't diminish my value. It fulfills me.

Whenever I chose to honor and respect Bert, it brought me joy – and moved my marriage in a better direction. I started to behave like the wife I prayed to be – the wife Bert thought he married.

Then, one incredible evening, Bert came to me

with tears in his eyes. "Sheryl, I've never had anyone love me like you do. I've never had someone who was willing to stay with me, in spite of my selfish, self-centered behavior." He reached for my hand and pulled me closer. "Will you forgive me?"

I couldn't believe what I was hearing. I covered my mouth with my hands and laughed – and cried! Was this really happening?

Bert left the room and came back with his wedding ring. He slid it onto his finger and said, "I'll never take it off again."

More tears filled his eyes. "I've been a fool, Sheryl."

Bert asked me to forgive him for the years of rejection, and I asked him to forgive me for my years of disrespectful behavior. He pulled me close, and we held each other for a long, long while. What an incredible turnaround – brought about by an incredible God!

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Finish lines

By **CHERYL CRUCE**

So many times I look back into memories and contemplate the lessons they taught. One such memory comes from a young boy named Sammy. Sammy was well liked by everyone – the kind of child who seemed to make friends wherever he went. He was polite, kind-hearted, and carried himself with a quiet confidence.

Most of all, Sammy had the heart of a lion. Athletics did not come naturally to him. He was not the fastest runner, nor the strongest competitor. Yet when field day arrived at school, Sammy signed up for the long-distance run.

At the dropping of the flag, the race began. For a while, Sammy remained in the middle of the pack. But little by little, the distance between him and the others began to grow. One by one, runners crossed the finish line while Sammy was still making his way around the track. By the time he rounded the final turn, every other runner had completed the race. What happened next is what I remember most.

The students who had

already crossed the finish line gathered along the track. Teachers stopped what they were doing. Voices rose in encouragement, cheering his name and urging him forward. With every step, he kept moving toward his goal. He knew he would not win a placement ribbon – that moment had already passed him by. But the ribbon was never Sammy's goal. What mattered to him was simply staying in the race until he crossed the line that lay ahead of him.

I wonder how many finish lines have fallen from my vision because other things have clouded my view. It is easy to begin a race or reach for a goal with enthusiasm, carefully planning

each step along the way. Yet, somewhere along the way, obstacles appear and the excitement fades. Expectations go unmet. What once felt within reach no longer feels the same. In those moments, it becomes easier for me to lose sight of what I was moving toward – and quietly step away from the track altogether. Every now and then, though, I think about a boy who kept running when it no longer looked like it mattered.

I think about another story. A man named Abram was asked to leave everything familiar and step toward a land he had never seen. There was no map laid out before him, no clear picture of what the out-

come would look like. Only a promise and a call to go. Still, Abram went. Not because the journey was visible, but because the promise gave him something to walk toward. There are times when faith looks like that – taking the next step without having the whole path revealed.

And I think about Jesus. He set His face toward Jerusalem and walked that road with purpose, even knowing what awaited Him there. There were moments when the weight of it pressed in so deeply that He prayed for another way. Yet He continued forward, not because the path was easy, but because it was faithful to the will of the Father. He did so for the sake of

redemption.

So I find myself circling back to field day. Finish lines sometimes fade, and the middle of the journey can feel heavier than expected. There will always be moments when it would be easier to stop running than to keep going. But every now and then, I remember a boy who kept running...a man who kept walking...and a Savior who kept going.

And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, fixing our eyes on Jesus (Hebrews 12:1-2).

Cheryl Mixon-Cruce is Pastor of Ochlockonee Bay United Methodist Church and Sopchoppy United Methodist Church.

OUT TO PASTOR

Just pinch a nickel until the buffalo screams

By **JAMES SNYDER**

Every so often, something happens reminding me of my father, who passed away more than 16 years ago. Thinking back, he was the epitome of frugality. If I were to look up in the dictionary the meaning of frugality, I would not be surprised to find my father's name.

His favorite saying was, "Just pinch a nickel until the buffalo screams."

When I first heard him say that, I did not understand what he meant.

I try to be frugal and not spend money I do not need to. I got that from good old dad.

Thinking of my father and his frugal attitude, I remembered when he generously picked up the lunch tab, then left a nickel tip for the waitress.

At first, I could not believe it. I thought maybe it was a joke, and I was waiting for the punch line. Unfortunately, it never came. He actually tipped the waitress a nickel. I was tempted to ask him about that, but I figured it was none of my business.

I do not need to have the latest gadget on the market. I do not have to update my cell phone every year to have the latest model. I've had my truck for 20 years and I'm not planning to trade it in for a newer model anytime soon. If that old truck gets me to where I need to go, that is all I really need.

Years ago, I had a friend who traded in his car every two years for a brand-new one. I do not know whether he paid the car off before trading it in. He had to have a new car, which made him feel like a big man.

Some relatives of mine, whom I will not name, are very obsessed with having the latest gadget. They like to flaunt it all the time.

I do not interfere in their business. If they do not want to be frugal with their money, that's their business, not mine. However, I think it is very important for me to be frugal with my spending. After all, I am retired and live on a limited budget.

I cannot tell you how many phone calls I received claiming I had won \$10 million in some lottery. All I have to do is pay \$1,500 in processing fees.

If my anti-frugal friends are willing to pay a \$1,500 processing fee out of pocket, that is none of my business. To get that out of my pocket would be more impossible than anything I can

think of at the time.

I do not live an extravagant lifestyle by any means. Fortunately, for me, The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage does not live an extravagant lifestyle either. We are not in it for the money, but for the time we can spend together.

If you walk by me sometime and hear a buffalo scream, you will know what I'm doing: pinching a nickel.

Another area where I try to be frugal is with my time. I want to feel in control of my days and use my time meaningfully, avoiding wasting my time, and focus on what truly matters.

As a teenager, I knew how to waste time as well as anybody else. It took me a long time to realize I needed to be frugal with my time and make the most of it.

My parents were

snowbirds and spent the winter in Florida. The last time they were in Florida, my father was really in a serious health situation. He had been in a coma for a week or so. Then one day, he woke up as though he had never been sick in his life.

I am so glad I was there when he woke up. When he saw me, he actually got out of bed and sat with me in the living room. The first thing he said was: "Son, I want to go back home to Pennsylvania as soon as possible. Do you think we can do it in the next couple of days?"

I agreed with him, and one of Dad's friends was there, took me out to the garage and said, "Don't you know your father is sick and may not live much longer?"

Looking at him, I said, "Friend, I know my fa-

ther has maybe two days left to live. I do not want the last of my time with him arguing about going back to Pennsylvania. I want to have a good conversation with him because I know this is the last one I'll have with him."

The next day, my father passed away, I was so grateful I spent the time I had with him before he passed, and that time was not spent arguing about anything.

I want to be frugal with every aspect of my life, not just my money.

Jesus addressed this subject in Luke 14:28-30.

"For which of you, intending to build a tower,

sitteth not down first, and counteth the cost, whether he have sufficient to finish it? Lest haply, after he hath laid the foundation, and is not able to finish it, all that behold it begin to mock him, Saying, This man began to build, and was not able to finish."

I have learned that being frugal enables me to finish what I start, which is so satisfying.

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- **Davy White**, 67, of Panacea, died May 30, 2026.
- **Zonie Fruge**, 79, of Carrabelle, died May 31, 2026.
- **Terry Lyn Stevens**, 71, of Crawfordville, died May 29,

2026.

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Sheriff's Report

EDITOR'S NOTE: Because of the Memorial Day holiday last week, we didn't have a Sheriff's Report – so this week there are two reports.

This report is for activity May 15 to 21.

FRIDAY, MAY 15

• Deputy Zachary Godwin responded to Walmart and made contact with Walmart Asset Protection due to them having a subject detained for passing the last point of sale with \$176 in non-purchased items. The subject was ultimately placed under arrest and transported to the Wakulla County Jail.

• Deputies Austin Rivers and Joshua Martin responded to Ochlockonee Street and made contact with a citizen who stated an unknown suspect entered his residence by breaking the glass in his front door. Once inside, several items were taken, totaling \$478. In addition to the stolen items, approximately \$100 in damage was sustained to the front door. Crime Scene responded and processed the scene. Case forwarded to Criminal Investigations Division.

SATURDAY, MAY 16

• Deputy Dustin Saba responded to Walmart and made contact with Asset Protection, who stated a female passed the last point of sale with \$103 in unpaid merchandise. Case forwarded to CID.

SUNDAY, MAY 17

• A traffic stop was conducted for excessive speed. The driver later was discovered to not have a valid license. The driver was taken into custody and transported to the jail facility.

• Deputy Dylan Buckhalt responded to Gray Circle in reference to a burglary complaint. Contact was made with the reporting party, who discovered multiple sheds burglarized on his property. He advised he last visited the property approximately a week prior. He and his wife are currently in the process of having a new home built on the property and have temporarily stored some of their belongings in sheds on the property. He advised he discovered fishing gear, a BMX bike, and fishing equipment missing from the sheds. The missing items totaled \$8,500. Crime Scene responded to process the scene. There were no witnesses to the incident.

MONDAY, MAY 18

• Deputy Joshua Parker responded to the 600 block of Shadeville Road in reference to a burglary complaint. Contact was made with the reporting person, who advised he discovered the shed had been burglarized. He stated he discovered over \$1,600 of power tools missing from the shed. He stated the burglary occurred some-

time between April 13 and April 19. He has been out of town for medical treatment lately, causing the delay in reporting. There were no witnesses to the incident. Case forwarded to CID.

• Deputy Kory Smith responded to Spring Creek Highway south of Jack Crum Road in reference to a citizen wanting to report a theft. He stated sometime over the last week – May 13 to 18 – someone stole approximately 50-feet of underground internet cable from the side of the road. He stated he arrived at the site this evening and discovered the cable had been dug up from the ground and the utility box had been destroyed where the cable was removed. He valued the total loss to be around \$5,000 including the cost of the stolen wire. Case forwarded to CID.

TUESDAY, MAY 19

• Deputy Dylan Buckhalt conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle in the 2600 block of Crawfordville Highway after observing the driver utilizing a cell phone while operating a moving vehicle. The vehicle initially failed to come to a complete stop as it entered the Bealls parking lot. Eventually the vehicle came to a halt near CVS. As Deputy Buckhalt approached the vehicle, he observed the driver migrate to the rear of the vehicle and the front passenger migrate to the driver's seat. Both parties were asked to exit the vehicle. Post-Miranda the driver reportedly admitted to never being issued a Florida driver's license and he confirmed this was his reason for failing to initially stop the vehicle. He was subsequently arrested and transported to the Wakulla County Jail without further incident.

• Deputy Lexi Kreitlow responded to the 700 block of Rehwinkel Road in reference to a theft complaint. Contact was made with a citizen who advised he observed an unknown male remove multiple construction cones from the side of the roadway near his residence. The suspect was last seen fleeing the scene southbound on Rehwinkel in a black SUV. Contact was made with an employee of M&L Plumbing on scene, who advised they would like to pursue charges for the incident. The stolen cones totaled \$150.

• Deputy Joshua Parker responded to Waterline Road in reference to fraud. Contact was made with the reporting person who advised she had received a new phone and number. Due to this, her old number was reassigned to another unknown individual. The unknown individual then began to contact her friends and family requesting money. Along with that, the subject also requested new various TV subscriptions. She advised she was at no monetary loss at this time but needed a report

so that she could provide it to Verizon to cancel all accounts.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 20

• Deputy Dustin Saba responded to the front lobby and made contact with a citizen, who stated an unknown subject purchased \$3,500 in merchandise on Amazon using his Capital City Bank debit card without authorization. Case forwarded to CID.

THURSDAY, MAY 21

• Deputy Joshua Martin responded to Walmart in reference to a retail theft. The suspect passed all points of sale and departed the store with some \$27 in unpaid merchandise. A possible suspect has been identified. Case forwarded to CID.

This report is for activity May 22 to 29.

FRIDAY, MAY 22

• Deputies Todd Kent and Joshua Parker responded to the area of McDonalds in reference to a suspicious vehicle. Upon arrival, the vehicle was located and appeared to have been stopped by a curb in the McDonalds parking lot which prevented the vehicle from travelling into the intersection of Wakulla Arran and Crawfordville Highway. Contact was made with the driver of the vehicle who had fallen asleep at the wheel, with his foot on the brake and the vehicle still in drive. While speaking with the driver, the odor of alcohol was coming from the interior of the vehicle. He was asked to exit the vehicle after placing it in park. During this interaction, he was reportedly observed swaying, and had difficulties standing. He also had glossy, bloodshot eyes, along with slurred speech. He refused to perform field sobriety exercises. He was placed under arrest and transported to the jail without further incident. Case Status: Closed

• Wal-Mart Asset Protection reported a retail theft in progress. As deputies responded, the subject fled the store heading southbound on Crawfordville Highway on a scooter. Deputy Ashton Williams was able to distribute a store photo of the subject to help aid in identifying him. Deputy Lexi Kreitlow located him in the area of Walgreen's where he was detained and subsequently placed under arrest for petit theft. Total cost of items was \$69.86.

SATURDAY, MAY 23

• Deputy Joshua Parker responded to Smokehouse Way in reference to a theft. Contact was made with the reporting party who stated while at Lost Creek earlier in the day he forgot his phone at the boat ramp. He advised he went back to retrieve the phone but was unable to locate it. He stated while searching, he observed another individual at the boat ramp walking away from where he had left his phone. He advised he did not know the subject but

suspected him of taking the phone. The phone was valued at approximately \$1,600. Case forwarded to CID.

• While traveling on Bloxham Cutoff, Deputy Todd Kent observed a vehicle sitting at Slough Bridge with the passenger door open. Deputy Kent returned to the vehicle and observed the vehicle to be occupied by two subjects. While speaking with them, the odor of marijuana was detected. The deputy also reportedly observed a clear baggie containing a crystalline substance. A probable cause search was conducted after detaining both subjects. After the search, the crystalline substance was field test which produced a presumptive positive for methamphetamine.

SUNDAY, MAY 24

• A citizen reported losing his tag off his motorcycle. It is believed the screw came out and the tag fell off along Coastal Highway. The tag was entered into FCIC/NCIC as lost or missing.

• While on patrol in the area of Trice Lane, Deputy Joshua Parker observed a vehicle with only one working headlight. Deputy Parker activated his emergency lights and did a U-turn. The vehicle continued driving and was unable to be located. Additional units responded to the area. After a short time, the vehicle was located driving on Country Way without any headlights on. The vehicle was then stopped and contact was made with the driver. During the interaction, he was asked to exit the vehicle. Upon initial observation, he was seen wearing a black ski mask and head/hair covering. He was advised the reason for the stop. He was advised of his Miranda Warning and agreed to speak with deputies. He advised he saw a deputy turn around and activate his emergency lights. He stated even after seeing the lights, he continued driving. While speaking the odor of marijuana was detected coming from the interior of the vehicle. He advised he did not possess a medical marijuana card. Due to this, a probable cause search was conducted which resulted in locating 7.3 grams of marijuana, a THC vape pen and a large amount of paraphernalia. During the search, a pair of black gloves and more black clothing were located. Pictures were taken of the ski-mask, gloves, and other clothing. Due to circumstances above, he was placed under arrest and transported to the county jail.

• Deputy Caleb Bushong conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle for tag attached not assigned. During the stop the driver/owner of the vehicle advised he has not registered the vehicle for the past year that he has owned it. Due to this information, he was placed under arrest. During a search, a small bag of cocaine was located within his wallet. He was transported to the Wakulla

County Jail without incident.

• Deputy Ian Kilbourn responded to P.A. Sanders Road and made contact with a citizen, who stated upon returning home from work early this morning, she discovered her car missing from her driveway. During the investigation, the repo log was checked with negative result, so the vehicle was entered as stolen. The vehicle was later located by Leon County Sheriff's Office at a tow-yard in Tallahassee and it was determined the vehicle was repossessed.

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THURSDAY, MAY 28

• Walmart Asset Protection called regarding a subject not paying for over \$800 worth of items. There was a dispute over the self-checkout freezing and having issues which a Walmart employee verified. She stated she believed the items scanned were included in the total amount when she made her large purchase. Based on the aforementioned, criminal intent could not be established and she was trespassed from Walmart.

FRIDAY, MAY 29

• While conducting search warrant on Catherine Street, deputies observed a citizen returning to the residence driving a motor vehicle. Per Wakulla County LECO Center, his Florida Driver's License was cancelled Feb. 4, 2026. He was arrested and transported to the Wakulla County Jail Facility.

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NOTICE OF SALE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA
GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION

WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., Case No.: 25000026CAAXMX
PLAINTIFF,
V.
BRIAN BONISLAWSKY; KIMBERLY BONISLAWSKY; BRIAN BONISLAWSKY, AS TRUSTEE OF THE JOSEPHS. BONISLAWSKY, III TRUST U/W DTD 11/23/2005; BRIAN BONISLAWSKY, AS BENEFICIARY OF THE OF THE JOSEPHS. BONISLAWSKY, III TRUST U/W DTD 11/23/2005; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF BRIAN BONISLAWSKY; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF KIMBERLY BONISLAWSKY; WAKULLA COUNTY, A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA; WAKULLA COUNTY ANIMAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT; UNKNOWN PARTIES IN POSSESSION #1, IFLIVING, AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER AND AGAINST THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANT(S); UNKNOWN PARTIES IN POSSESSION #2, IF LIVING, AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER AND AGAINST THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANT(S), DEFENDANT(S).

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to order rescheduling foreclosure sale or Final Judgment, entered in Civil Case No. 25000026CAAXMX of the Circuit Court of the 2nd Judicial Circuit in and for Wakulla County, Florida, wherein Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., Plaintiff and Brian Bonislawsky are defendant(s), I, Clerk of Court, Greg James, will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash AT THE FRONT LOBBY OF THE WAKULLA COUNTY COURT-HOUSE LOCATED AT 3056 CRAWFORDVILLE HWY, CRAWFORDVILLE, FLORIDA AT 11:00 A.M. on June 25, 2026, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to-wit:

LOTS 27 AND 28, BLOCK "5" OF WAKULLA GARDENS UNIT TWO, AS PER MAP OR PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 1, PAGE 42, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA.

ANY PERSON CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN THE SURPLUS FROM THE SALE, IF ANY, OTHER THAN THE PROPERTY OWNER AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS MUST FILE A CLAIM NO LATER THAN THE DATE THAT THE CLERK REPORTS THE FUNDS AS UNCLAIMED.

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator; 301 South Monroe Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32301; (850) 606-4401 at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification of the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days. If you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

WITNESS my hand and seal of said court at Wakulla County, Florida 19th day of May, 2026.

{{County Court Seal}}
Greg James
As Clerk of the Court
Wakulla County, Florida
By: /s/ Rachel Howard
As Deputy Clerk

May 28, June 4, 2026

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

0528-0604 TWS NOFS

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GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION

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vs.
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Dated this 22nd day of May, 2026.

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Greg James
As Clerk of the Court
By: /s/ Ethan Brown
As Deputy Clerk

Published June 4, 11, 18, 25, 2026

May 28, June 4, 2026

NOTICE OF FICTITIOUS NAME

FICTITIOUS NAME

Notice under Fictitious Name Law, pursuant to Section 856.09, Florida Statutes. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, William Darrell Jones, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of CAPITAL PLUMBING SUPPLY

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Published on June 4, 2026

NOTICE OF SALE

0528-0604 TWS NOS
NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO SECTION 328.17
NON-JUDICIAL SALE OF VESSELS:

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 328.17 Non-Judicial Sale of Vessels, that Sembler's Marina will hold a sealed bid on June 15th, 2026 at 10:00 AM at 28 Lynn Circle, St. Marks, FL. Vessel will go to highest cash bidder, with a minimum bid of \$2,200.00. Vessel will be sold as-is and must be removed by the buyer immediately following the sale. Arrangements for removal should be made prior to start of auction.

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May 28, June 4, 2026

NOTICE OF ACTION

0604-0625 TWS NOA
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR WAKULLA, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 2026 CC 99

WE NOT ME FARMS MINISTRIES INC,
PLAINTIFF,
VS
COASTAL TOWING OF WAKULLA LLC,
DEFENDANT.

NOTICE OF ACTION
TO: COASTAL TOWING OF WAKULLA LLC

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for establishment of ownership of personal property described as: THE TITLE FOR A TRUCK AND MINISTRY PAPERWORK AND COSTS ASSOCIATED has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Plaintiff, We Not Me Farms Ministries Inc whose address is: 2343 Crawfordville Hwy Suite 107-132 Crawfordville FL 32327, on or before July 1, 2026, and file the original with the Clerk of this Court immediately thereafter, otherwise a Default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of this Court this May 5, 2026.

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As Clerk of the Circuit Court
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MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED BY RECENT SURVEY DATED SEPTEMBER 20, 2005 AND PREPARED BY THURMAN RODDENBERRY AND ASSOCIATES INC., JOB #05-748 AS FOLLOWS:

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

Dated this 22nd day of May, 2026.

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By: /s/ Ethan Brown
As Deputy Clerk

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May 28, June 4, 2026

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

0528-0604 TWS NOFS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA
GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION

MOVEMENT MORTGAGE, LLC, CASE NO. 25000095CAAXMX
Plaintiff,
vs.
EMANUEL JULIAN ROMAN; JESSICA A. ROMAN; FIFTH THIRD BANK, N.A.; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF EMANUEL WLIAN ROMAN; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF JESSICA A. ROMAN,
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NOTICE OF ACTION

0528-0618 TWS NOA
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR WAKULLA, FLORIDA FAMILY LAW DIVISION

CASE NO.: 2026 DR 5

TINA GRIER,
 PETITIONER/WIFE,,
 AND
 DEREK GRIER,
 RESPONDENT/HUSBAND.

NOTICE OF ACTION FOR DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE

TO: DEREK GRIER
 106 CANTONMENT RD.
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YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the Petitioner/Wife Tina Grier's Petition For Dissolution Of Marriage has been filed against you and that you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Adam R. Cowhey, Esquire, Petitioners' attorney, whose address is 247 E. 71h Avenue, Tallahassee, Florida 32303, no more than thirty (30) days from the date of first publication of this Notice Of Action, and file the original with the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Family Law Division, at 3056 Crawfordville Highway, Crawfordville, FL 32327 before service on Petitioners' attorney or immediately thereafter. **If you fail to do so, a default may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the petition.**

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

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WITNESS my hand and the seal of this Court this **May 18, 2026.**

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Greg James

As Clerk of the Circuit Court

By: /s/ Lindsey Nichols

As Deputy Clerk



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0528-0618 TWS NOA
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA

MICHAEL THOMAS HADDEN

CASE NO.: 2024 DR 43

Former Husband,

and

DESTINY AMANDA HADDEN,

Former Wife.

DIVISION: FAMILY LAW

NOTICE OF ACTION FOR MODIFICATION OF TIME-SHARING AND SUPPORT

TO: DESTINY AMANDA HADDEN

Last Known Address: 107 AVALON DR, HUNTSVILLE, TX 77320

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for Modification of Time-Sharing and Support has been filed against you and that you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Michael Thomas Hadden, whose address is C/O Jeffery S. Richardson, Esq., 400 Capital Circle SE, #18-134, Tall. FL 32301, on or before **June 15, 2026**, and file the original with the clerk of this Court at 3056 Crawfordville Hwy, Crawfordville, FL 32327, before service on Petitioner or immediately thereafter. If you fail to do so, a default may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the petition. Copies of all court documents in this case, including orders, are available at the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office. You may review these documents upon request.

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Dated **May 18, 2026**

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As Deputy Clerk



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CLUES ACROSS

1. Egyptian bull-god
5. A young canine
8. Cologne
11. Fictional British P.I.
13. Midway between northeast and east
14. A place to shop
15. Minneapolis suburb
16. Single lens reflex
17. NY Mets great Tommie
18. Informal loan clubs
20. Habitual twitching
21. Holm oak
22. Willing to consent or submit
25. In an early way
30. Made possible
31. Language in Ghana
32. Relating to one's birth
33. Deep-bodied fishes
38. Defunct European currency
41. Small American songbird
43. One from L.A.
45. After tenth
47. Hillside
49. Red deer
50. Partner to "oohed"
55. Indian musical pattern
56. Israeli city __ Aviv
57. Golden peas plant
59. Breezed through
60. Midway between east and southeast
61. Frameworks

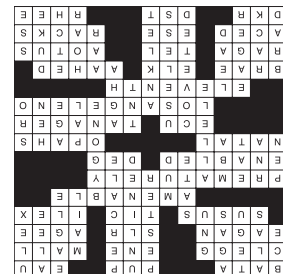
62. Danish krone
63. Fall back
64. Influential Korean leader

CLUES DOWN

1. Bridge building degree
2. Expression of sorrow or pity
3. Large, stocky lizard
4. Turkish leader title
5. Nag
6. Blank fabric
8. A nice shot in golf
9. Away from wind
10. Evergreen shrub genus
12. Large African antelope
14. Something you receive
19. Satisfy
23. Wet dirt
24. No longer here
25. Writing utensil
26. Ribonucleic acid
27. Consume food
28. Licensed for Wall Street
29. Alternative forms of a gene
34. Buddy
35. We all do it
36. Chicken
37. No seats available
39. Yearned to possess
40. Ineffectual
41. Explosive
42. Turkish title

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44. Worn near the foot
45. Impatient
46. Set an example for others
47. Actor Pitt
48. Instrument of torture
51. Swiss river
52. Grayish white
53. A way to print
54. Storied college hoops program
58. Midway between south and southeast

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DEEP BLUE SEA WORD SEARCH



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- ABYSS
- ANEMONE
- ARCHIPELAGO
- BENTHIC
- COASTLINE
- CORAL
- CURRENT
- DOLPHIN
- ESTUARY
- HYDROTHERMAL
- KELP
- LAGOON
- MARINE
- OCEANIC
- PELAGIC
- PLANKTON
- REEF
- SALINITY
- SEAFLOOR
- SHARK
- SHORELINE
- TIDE
- TSUNAMI
- WHALE



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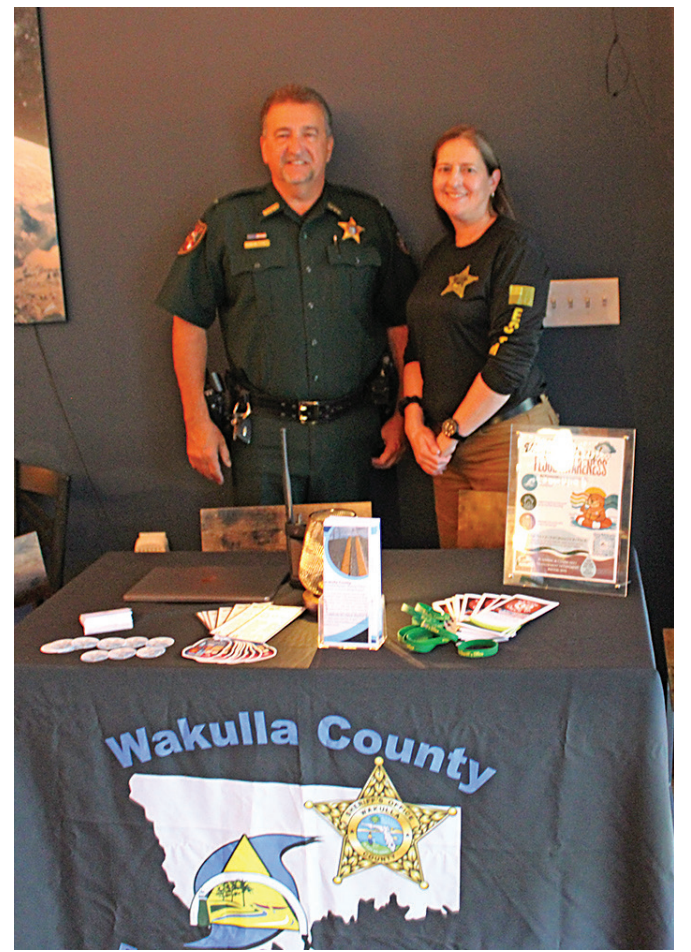
Trailblazer Award

Wakulla Chamber of Commerce executive director Heather Bryan was the recipient of the Trailblazer Award from the Big Bend Minority Chamber of Commerce at a luncheon in Tallahassee on Thursday, May 28.



Ethics in Business

Rachel Pienta, left, the Wakulla 4-H Director, seen with Wakulla Rotary President Angie Bozeman, was the Wakulla nominee for Ethics in Business Award put on by area Rotary Clubs and hosted by the Tallahassee Rotary Club on Wednesday, May 27.



Hurricane season starts

Lt. Tom Mallon of the Sheriff's Office, and Emergency Management Director Jennifer Nagy were at Lunar Bay Coffee on Friday, May 29, to talk to residents about preparing for Hurricane season, which started June 1. Nagy especially wanted people to be aware of their flood zone.

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WEEKLY ROUNDUP: Budget done, property taxes on deck

By **JIM TURNER**
News Service of Florida

TALLAHASSEE – Florida heads into the hurricane season with a budget now in place, even if for a second consecutive year it took longer than expected, with a third special session on the horizon.

Lawmakers overwhelmingly approved a \$114.5 billion spending plan Friday, wrapping up a special session to complete the budget 77 days after they failed to do so during the regular session.

BETTER LATE

The Senate voted unanimously in favor of the budget and the House voted 99-6 for the plan, but the vast support for the measure belied the tense process to produce it.

House Speaker Daniel Perez, R-Miami, insisted on cutting the current budget of more than \$115 billion, while Senate President Ben Albritton, R-Wauchula, preferred to keep funding essentially level.

The budget includes \$30 billion for K-12 schools, with \$201 million for teacher pay increases. That raise, though, will only go to teachers with 10 years of experience, with the increase capped at \$3,000 per year.

Republicans said they wanted to use the money to prevent veteran teachers from leaving the field.

Democrats, though, said the funding isn't enough, as many districts faced potential cuts this year due to declining enrollment and teachers struggle to keep up with inflation.

There were funds included to mitigate the effect of enrollment declines for school districts, but Sen. Carlos Guillermo Smith, D-Orlando, said that would still leave Orange County with a \$13 million shortfall for its schools.

Smith voted for the budget, but also took issue with the zeroing out of preeminence funding for universities. The University of Central Florida recently qualified for the funding, which is designed to push schools to

boost research. But now the school won't be able to receive the money. In the current budget, \$40 million was set aside for preeminence funding, which went to the University of Florida, Florida State University, Florida International University and the University of South Florida.

Other Democrats called for raises for all state workers, instead of the 4 percent raises are targeted only corrections officers, state law enforcement officials and firefighters included in the budget.

Still, only six House Democrats voted against the budget, although the main theme from Democrats was that it doesn't do enough to help Floridians facing cost of living constraints.

"I don't know what it's going to take for us to wake up one day and realize that we are really not doing the things for the people in the state of Florida that we should be doing, as opposed to doing what companies need," said Rep. Dianne Hart-Lowman, D-Tampa, who voted against the budget.

NEXT SESSION SET

Before lawmakers made their way back to Tallahassee for the vote on the budget, Gov. Ron DeSantis announced on Wednesday he was going to require them to be at the Capitol on Monday to begin a special session on his effort to cut homesteaded property taxes.

The plan as introduced by the Senate (SJR 2F) increases the current exemptions on homestead property to \$150,000 starting Jan. 1, 2027, and to \$250,000 on Jan. 1, 2028.

If lawmakers place it on the ballot in November and 60 percent of voters approve, the current 10 percent cap on assessments for non-homestead properties will be lowered to 5 percent.

"I want to get something done. I want to make sure people can go and vote for something, and then see something that's going to be

very, very meaningful in their lives," DeSantis said while at Hilton Garden Inn Tampa Airport Westshore.

Florida Association of Counties deputy executive director Cragin Mosteller said the counties are up for the pending special session conversation, but it needs to be "grounded in real budget math and the long-term needs of Florida's communities."

"Floridians want affordability, but eliminating property taxes does not eliminate the cost of infrastructure, emergency response, and other essential local services," Mosteller replied in an email. "Those costs do not disappear – they shift somewhere else, often onto businesses, renters, and working families."

The association wasn't alone in questioning the potential impacts.

Water management proponents noted that if the amendment was already in place, the \$698 million in revenue the state's five water management districts are projected to raise in the next fiscal year to protect groundwater and springs, the Indian River Lagoon, and other impaired waterways would be cut by \$251 million.

Meanwhile, Florida Mosquito Control Association President Peter Jiang wrote that, "In a subtropical state where mosquito control has long been integral to public health, economic growth, and everyday life, stable funding for these districts remains critically important to the continued well-being of Florida's communities."

JUSTICE LEWIS

Former Florida Chief Justice R. Fred Lewis, one of the state's last liberal-leaning justices, died Tuesday, the court announced this week. He was 78.

Lewis, along with justices Barbara Pariente and Peggy Quince, frequently bedeviled Republican leaders and business interests for "judicial activism," until they all left the court together in 2019 because

of a mandatory retirement age limit.

"My lessons of life came from being born into generations of coal miners in the mountains of West Virginia and the sense of community and human interaction necessary for survival at that time," Lewis wrote when he applied to be appointed the state's top court in 1998.

The West Virginia native was recruited to play basketball at Florida Southern College in Lakeland. He attended the University of Miami School of Law, graduating third in the class of 1972. He would set up a private practice, specializing in civil trial and appellate litigation, after a stint in the U.S. Army.

Lewis was appointed to the state's top court in 1998 by Gov. Lawton Chiles and was chief justice from 2006 to 2008.

As Chief Justice, Lewis directed an audit of all courts in the state to identify and remove barriers to justice for people with disabilities.

He considered his stop accomplishment as a justice the creation of a justice teaching initiative, where volunteer judges and lawyers went to Florida middle and high schools to bolster civic and law-related education.

Lewis will lie in state in the Florida Supreme Court rotunda from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on June 11. A memorial service will be held in the courtroom of the Florida Supreme Court at 11 a.m. on June 12.

STORY OF THE WEEK: The Florida Legislature belatedly approved a \$114.5 billion spending plan for fiscal year 2026-2027 in a special session.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK: "A state budget is one of the most important responsibilities entrusted to this Legislature, and it should be developed through an open and deliberative process, not last-minute negotiations behind closed doors." --- Jupiter Democratic Rep. Emily Gregory

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