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Carrie Hughes wins primary

Will face Democrat, NPA candidates in November for commission seat

By WILLIAM SNOWDEN
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Candidate Carrie Hughes upset incumbent Quincee Messersmith in the Republican primary for Wakulla County commission seat 4.

And she did it in convincing fashion, taking 75% of the votes cast in the Aug. 18 primary election.

Hughes had 3,851 votes to Messersmith's 1,278.

Hughes could not immediately be reached for comment, but earlier in the evening, her supporter Sue Damon was at the supervisor of elections office and called Hughes at her watch party at El Jalisco to let her know she had an insurmountable lead with 10 of 12 precincts reporting. Damon held up her phone so a reporter could hear the happy whoops! from Hughes.

Messersmith said she was pleased with the result: "I'm so flipping over the moon and ecstatic that I don't have to deal with any negative drama and can just go back to doing what I have been doing my whole life," she said. "I'm on Cloud 9."

Hughes faces two opponents in the November general election: Democrat Beverly Keister and NPA Patricia Dyszer.

Supervisor of Elections Joe Morgan said the turnout for the election was just under 30%, placing Wakulla at 30th



Campaign signs outside Precinct 1 in Crawfordville on Election Day, Aug. 18, above. Below, Republican gubernatorial candidate Byron Donalds was in Crawfordville on Thursday, Aug. 13, at El Jalisco, seen with U.S. Sen. Rick Scott.



of 67 counties in the state.

"I'm very surprised at the turnout," he said, indicating a bit of disappointment. "But I'm also happy that the folks that showed up let their voice be heard."

There were a few glitches with the election: a couple of precincts lost power for a period of time and while power came back up, one of those precincts was unable to upload results to the office and

officials had to wait for the backup stick. And there were problems with the state Division of Elections getting results from the counties.

OTHER RACES
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Late night crash at Mineral Springs

By LYNDIA KINSEY
Of The Sun

A 22-year-old female driving a Ford F-150 crashed into the front of the Mineral Springs Seafood building in the early morning hours on Saturday, Aug. 15th taking out almost the entire front of the market. It appears the truck struck the corner of the building taking out the front, and a split on the south side of the building was also caused by the accident.

The driver was ejected from the vehicle during the crash and suffered serious injuries. The truck landed partially on its side losing its wheels on the right side.

Kim Williams, owner of the market, said Saturday, she was pretty shaken by the incident. She and husband Tim have operated the seafood market for 20 years – his dad ran it for 10 years before that. Williams said she didn't know what they were going to do –



The Ford F-150 pickup crashed into the front of Mineral Springs Seafood at high speed, ejecting the driver, who was transported to the hospital with serious injuries.

lose thousands of dollars worth of inventory over the weekend and not be able to operate at all.

Her first concern however was that she hoped the driver was going to be OK.

"She's lucky to be alive," Williams said of the driver after seeing the damage. "Material

items can be replaced but you cannot replace a life."

The driver was transported to Tallahassee Memorial Hospital.

According to Williams, the cooler was intact and undamaged, the ice machine was fine and the processing room was not dam-

aged. When the crash happened and the front was struck it threw the door and other items to the inside smashing the glass on the long display case where the seafood is put out. The case that houses the dips was undamaged.

Williams also commented the great com-

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'MANHUNT IS OVER'

Joseph Raker, wanted for murder, captured in Mexico

By WILLIAM SNOWDEN
Editor

The Wakulla County Sheriff's Office called local reporters after 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 13, to give them an alert that a press conference with the sheriff was imminent.

Just before 8 p.m. that night, Sheriff Jared Miller announced that Joseph Ronnie Raker had been captured in Mexico.

"Today, I can confirm that Joseph Ronnie Raker has been captured and is in custody," Sheriff Miller said. "This manhunt is over."

Raker had been on the run since he was identified last week as the primary suspect in the murders of Rebecca Lynn Thomas, 58, and John William Luper III, 49, at a home on Otter Creek in Sopchoppy. Both died as the result of multiple gunshot wounds. The bodies were found concealed on nearby property covered with underbrush in separate locations.

Raker was located in Mexico, south of Brownsville, Texas, and taken into custody through the coordinated efforts of the U.S. Marshals Service and Mexican authorities. Raker has since been transferred to Texas and is in the custody of state authorities there awaiting extradition to Florida.

Miller announced that more arrests were expected, noting that some people may have aided Raker in attempting to cover up the crime or to escape from Wakulla.

Many details about the case are still unknown and have not been revealed by the sheriff's office, citing the ongoing investigation.

It's been reported that there was a structure fire at the Otter Creek Road property where the murders occurred. The cause and circumstances surrounding the fire remain under investigation; however, based on the information currently available, it is being treated as a separate incident from the homicides.

The sheriff's office first confirmed the murders on Aug. 4. The next day, the sheriff's office reported it had obtained arrest warrants for Raker, 46, on two counts of homicide, and offered a \$10,000 reward.

A couple of days later, with social media blowing up and citizens posting comments critical of the sheriff's office's handling of the case, Sheriff Miller and Major Eddie Wester, head of Criminal Investigations Division, posted a 15-minute video on Facebook with the sheriff expressing his concern about the family and Wester laying out a timeline of events.

Wester said the case began on Aug. 2 with an intoxicated man, who could barely be understood, telling deputies that someone had been shot in the Otter Creek Road area. Deputies found signs of a struggle in the yard. They retreated to obtain a search warrant. No bodies

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Raker was captured in Mexico, across the border from Brownsville, Texas.



Sheriff Jared Miller, flanked by Capt. Brett Surace and Colonel Ray Johnson, at a press conference on Thursday to announce Raker's capture.



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4-H Clay Makers		
4-H Food Challenge Club		
4-H Rabbit Club		
4-H Shotgun		
Art Lab 4-H Club	Note: Questions about meeting times, ages, & club leaders? Your agent & club leaders are working on that!	
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Don't see your favorite club listed? That may mean we are still recruiting club leaders. Did you know 4-H also offers individual project options? Talk to your 4-H agent about this option!

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Two athletes from Sunchaser CrossFit earn recognition

Special to The Sun

Sunchaser CrossFit is proud to recognize two athletes whose recent accomplishments demonstrate that dedication, perseverance and hard work can lead to success at any age.

Susan Ehr, Sunchaser CrossFit's head youth CrossFit coach, recently concluded an impressive 2026 CrossFit Games season by finishing 52nd in the world in the Women's 60–64 age division after the CrossFit Games Semifinals.

Ehr first advanced through the worldwide CrossFit Open before placing 72nd in the world in the Quarterfinals to earn a spot in the Semifinals, where only the top 300 athletes worldwide qualified.

She ultimately fin-



Victory Thayer, 11, finished first at the Atlantic Coast Classic.

ished 52nd overall, competing among the best masters athletes in the world. Only the top 15 advanced to the CrossFit Games. Ehr is already

training hard with her sights set on qualifying for the CrossFit Games in the 2027 season.

Fresh off her 11th birthday, Victory Thayer



Susan Ehr, competing in the 60-64 age division, finished 52nd in the world at the CrossFit Games.

delivered an outstanding performance at the Atlantic Coast Classic CrossFit competition in Daytona Beach. Competing in the Girls 13U RX

winning two of the three events.

The competition tested a broad range of fitness, including Olympic weightlifting, advanced gymnastics skills and endurance, highlighting her versatility and composure under pressure.

Her first-place finish is a remarkable achievement against one of the strongest youth fields in the Southeast.

Although separated by nearly five decades in age, Ehr and Thayer share the same commitment to consistent training and the pursuit of excellence.

Their accomplishments reflect the supportive community at Sunchaser CrossFit and serve as an inspiration to athletes of all ages throughout Wakulla County.

4-H volunteers help youth find their spark

Special to The Sun

In Wakulla County, a volunteer can be the person who helps a young person plant a first garden, safely draw a bow, prepare a family recipe, identify an insect, balance a simple budget or discover that leadership starts with one good idea and the courage to try it.

Wakulla 4-H is inviting adults across the community to consider how their knowledge, hobbies and life experience could become meaningful learning opportunities for local youth. From agriculture and natural resources to healthy living, civic engagement, entrepreneurship, shooting sports and hands-on project work, 4-H depends on caring adults who are willing to guide young people as they learn by doing.

4-H is the youth development program of Cooperative Extension, delivered locally through UF/IFAS Extension. At its heart is a simple but powerful model: young people grow when they are connected to caring adults, given real responsibilities and encouraged to practice skills in a safe, supportive environment. The Wakulla 4-H program describes this work as helping youth grow and reach their full potential while working and learning in partnership with caring adults.

That partnership is what makes a 4-H volunteer more than an extra set of hands. Volunteers mentor members, coordinate community clubs, help plan and run events, teach project skills and create the sense of belonging that makes youth feel

How you can help

- Club volunteer: organizational leader, assistant, activity leader, project leader, resource leader or mentor to independent youth.
- Project volunteer: county project leader or shooting sports volunteer.
- Activity volunteer: county activity leader, event helper or episodic volunteer.
- Community support: event or contest judge, County 4-H Association member, key leader for a project area or special event, or resource person who teaches a specific skill.

Key Dates

- Wakulla 4-H Open House: Saturday, August 29, 2026, 9 a.m.–1 p.m., Wakulla Extension Arena, 84 Cedar Avenue, Crawfordville.
- Wakulla 4-H club program year begins: September 1, 2026.

welcome and capable. Florida 4-H emphasizes hands-on learning, healthy relationships with caring adults and opportunities for youth to find their “spark”—the interest or talent that motivates them to keep learning.

Youth-adult partnership is also a cornerstone of positive youth development. In strong 4-H programs, youth and adults plan, learn, work and lead together. Adults provide encouragement, structure and safety, while youth contribute ideas, make decisions and practice leadership. When both voices are valued, young people become more than participants; they become partners in shaping clubs, projects and community service.

Wakulla 4-H has opportunities for volunteers with many different schedules and interests. Some adults may choose a regular leadership role with a club, serving as an organizational leader, assistant leader, activity leader, project leader or resource leader. Others may mentor independent youth, support

a county project area, volunteer with shooting sports, judge an event or contest, help with a special activity, serve on the County 4-H Association or offer short-term help as an episodic volunteer.

The program is especially interested in adults who can share expertise in financial management, entrepreneurship, sewing, beekeeping, cooking, shooting sports such as trap, clays and archery, poultry science, rabbitry and cuniculture, plant, animal and insect identification, fishing, gardening with a farm-to-kitchen focus, domestic pet care and environmental conservation.

No one needs to know everything about 4-H to get started. Volunteers bring the skills they already have, and 4-H provides orientation, training and support. Florida 4-H's volunteer process encourages adults to explore available roles, connect with the local Extension office, choose a position, complete the volunteer application through 4HOnline, complete required screen-

ing, attend orientation and then begin sharing their talents with youth.

Families will have an opportunity to learn about 4-H membership at the Wakulla 4-H Open House on Saturday, August 29, 2026, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Wakulla Extension Arena, also located at 84 Cedar Avenue in Crawfordville. The free event will allow youth and families to meet club leaders, gather information and ask questions about 4-H activities before the new club year begins September 1, 2026.

The impact of volunteer service reaches well beyond a single meeting or project. National 4-H describes the program as helping young people build real-world skills and become resilient, adaptable lifelong learners. Those outcomes are strengthened locally every time a caring adult helps a youth member practice a demonstration, prepare for a contest, complete a record book, try a new skill or serve the community.

In a county where neighbors often know one another by name, Wakulla 4-H offers a practical way to invest in the next generation. A few hours of guidance can become the beginning of a career interest, a leadership habit, a sense of belonging or a lifelong confidence that says, “I can do this.”

Adults interested in volunteering with Wakulla 4-H are encouraged to attend the July 22 interest meeting or contact 4-H Agent Rachel Pienta at 850-926-3931 or r.pienta@ufl.edu for more information.

unoccupied at the time.

The driver's condition was reported as serious but stable.

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

A GoFundMe has been set up to assist with costs of repairs to the building and to keep the business running. As of Tuesday, \$2,600 had been raised towards the goal of \$20,000.

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6. Bids must be submitted in full accordance with the requirements of the drawings, specifications, bidding conditions and contractual conditions, which may be obtained by contacting the H2Engineering project manager.
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Mineral Springs

From Front Page

-munity we live in and how many people came to help.

“A lot of people have shown up to help today. Jeff Lewis came with his big tractor and took care of a lot of the larger debris items,” she said.

When asked if they were going to be able

to operate, Williams shouted out to Junior: “Junior, do you think we will be able to operate?”

His reply was, “Seven days a week from 10 to 6.”

On Sunday afternoon the front of the building had been secured and a line of people were out front waiting to purchase their seafood.

Customers couldn't go inside the building, but they brought it out to you.

An employee at Mineral Springs said on Monday that they just about sold out of everything for the weekend.

According to the Florida Highway Patrol, the truck was northbound on U.S. 98 in Panacea around 3:25 a.m., and the driver lost control on the curve and struck the building, which was

– Compiled by Lynda Kinsey

Polled at Chamber After Hours event hosted by Rotary Club of Wakulla:

Are you ready for some football?



"I'm ready for FSU football, Bucs football, Rec Park Youth Football and cheerleading, and another grandson at Riversprings Middle School football."



“Yes! I’m definitely ready to spend the weekend in front of the TV and get behind on all of my yard work.”



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“Absolutely, every season is a reminder that tradition gives us something to be proud of. Time for FSU to write the next chapter. GO NOLES!”



“Yaaaaaaaah!”

Wakulla Crossroads

By VERA BROCK

Often, I feel as though the world order I used to take for granted has disappeared. This is true on so many levels, but increasingly, it seems to challenge my expectations for simple day to day life.

For instance (and I know I'm not alone in this), the normal, everyday act of mailing and receiving mail has become increasingly unpredictable. I have lost count of how many times I have sent a card to family or friends in Crawfordville only to have it go missing. So often, our missives traipse across North Florida and Georgia before reaching their final destinations. Letters go missing for weeks, or even months, at

a time. It has gotten so bad that I now simply hand-deliver birthday cards to my children and grandchildren. Since they live less than 10 miles from me, this seems to be a more timely solution.

Two months ago, Ed ordered a euphonium (horn) from a seller in Canada, through eBay, shipped via UPS. Oh, my goodness! I have named this instrument *Odesseus*, based on its circuitous journey. It has been labeled lost three times, held in two different Customs centers (Canada and the US), pronounced gone for good, routed to Tallahassee, and labeled as out for delivery on the UPS truck this past week. You guessed it. The delivery driver couldn't find this (hard to miss) tuba-type instrument anywhere on the

truck as promised, and it has yet to be delivered.

Even better, when Ed called to find out where his horn might be this time, he was told it was cited for fraud and marked for destruction! As this saga has wound its way across two countries and multiple time zones, Ed and the seller of the euphonium have formed a friendly communication.

Since only the seller can request further information from UPS, he and Ed have written regularly via email, documenting every weird occurrence and excuse, as well as their astonishment at each new turn of events. I mean, how hard can it be to deliver a package from point A to point B? Apparently, impossible.

And that's just the mail. There are so many areas where straight forward tasks seem jinxed by some mischievous

troll. Dealing with everyday medical appointments, referrals, and prescriptions can eat up days of calling and research. Every home-improvement project requires a war room for strategizing. Organizations once renowned for their logical structure now seem consumed by chaos.

It is exhausting to constantly confront what seem like unnecessary problems and complications. I find myself wondering if getting older has made me less resilient, or if life has genuinely become more difficult to manage?

I honestly don't feel like I've changed all that much; I know mail deliveries have become a crap shoot! I'm just afraid this is going to be the state of affairs from now on, and we're all just having to learn to live with it.

Oh, well. I suppose it could be worse!



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HOME ON THE RANGE

Lorrabelle wants a handgun



By MARJ LAW

Lorrabelle isn't quite a novice to shooting. She is quite familiar with long guns. With shotguns and rifles, Lorrabelle has dispatched turkey, wild boar and snakes. But Lorrabelle doesn't have a handgun.

Lorrabelle lives out in the woods on many acres of land. Today, she's looking for a handgun for self-defense. She'd like to be able to carry a gun in a holster and in her purse, and she'd like it near her bed at night. She plans to travel and wants to take a gun with her.

Joe and I meet Lorrabelle at the Wakulla County Sheriff's Office (WCSO) range on a Wednesday morning. At the range office, Lorrabelle signs a paper saying she agrees to rules of the range. And, even though she has shot long guns for many years, we go over the rules of the Sheriff's range, the "Big 4" rules that everyone should use whenever carrying a gun, the meaning of "hot" and "cold," and the meaning of "eyes" and "ears."

This information is good for anyone who

owns a handgun, and is absolutely necessary for anyone shooting at the WCSO range.

The Sheriff's rules are posted on a billboard at the range.

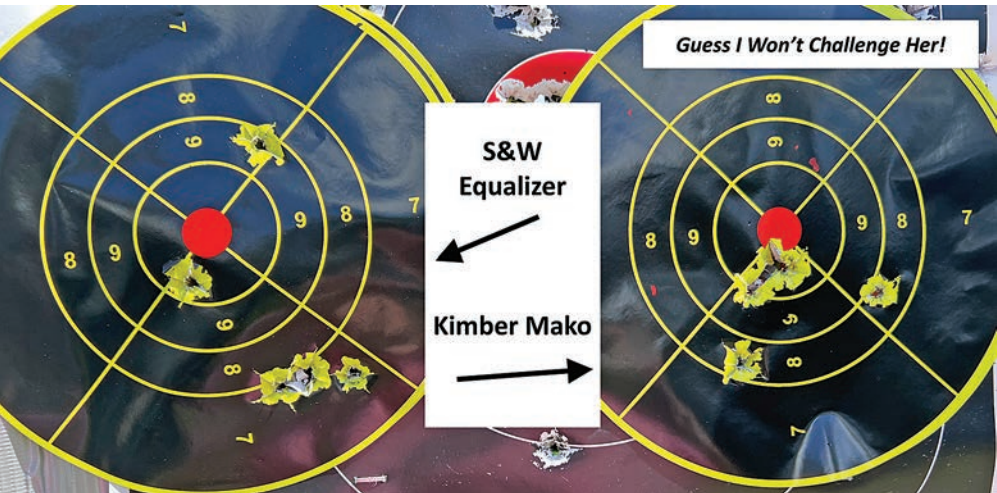
The "Big 4" refers to these rules:

- Treat every firearm as if it is loaded,
- Never point the firearm at anything you are not willing to destroy,
- Keep your finger off the trigger until you are ready to shoot, and
- Be sure of your target and what is beyond it.

When the range is "hot," you can handle your gun and ammunition. When the range is "cold," it means that you must not touch gun or ammunition, and you must stay on the side of the red line on the floor nearest the parking lot. Everyone on the pistol range must agree when the range is either hot or cold. This basic safety measure ensures people cannot shoot when someone is downrange.

Finally, you must have eye and ear protection at the WCSO range. Glasses rated "ansi" and ear protection devices can be found at gun shops, building supply stores, and many department stores. I encourage Lorrabelle to wear two types of ear protection at the same time: the squish-in-your-ear cushions, and earmuffs which cover your entire ears. Loud noises can damage your hearing, so I'm interested in doing as much as I can to safeguard my hearing. Lorrabelle agrees.

Lorrabelle is with us because she is concerned



about protection, but she doesn't know what caliber of gun she can use for defense.

"I want something not just for defense, but something to practice with. That way, if I ever have to use the gun, I'll be familiar with it. But I have some physical problems. My astigmatism is pretty bad, I have carpal tunnel syndrome, and I have arthritis in both hands and shoulders."

Unfortunately, many mature people suffer from these problems.

Does it mean that the mature person can't handle a handgun?

No! We just need to help Lorrabelle figure out which gun fits her needs best.

We have brought two .380s and two 9mm guns to the range. They are: the Smith & Wesson Shield .380 EZ, the Sig Sauer 365/.380, the 9mm Kimber Mako and the 9mm Smith & Wesson Equalizer.

"Great!" says Lorrabelle. "If I like one of these guns, you can go buy it for me before I go on a trip out west!"

"No! Lorrabelle, it is not legal to buy a gun for another person. You only buy for yourself."

"Well, then, I've got two days before my trip. I'll just buy it myself!"

"That won't work either, Lorrabelle."

"Why not?"

"Because, in Florida, you must wait three days after purchasing a gun to pick it up unless you have a concealed carry license."

"Drat. I don't have time to take the concealed carry class."

"Do you really need a gun for this trip? If you can wait until you return home, you'll have time to take the class, become familiar with your gun, and learn more about where and how you can carry in Florida."

"OK. I guess there's a lot to learn. Besides, I have other questions. For instance, I don't know which gun will be best for me yet. And my friend George said to make sure I get a gun with a safety. Do I want a gun with a safety or not?"

"Some handguns have built-in safeties, like the Shield .380 EZ you'll be shooting today. It has a grip safety. Personally, I don't like a manual safety for a mature person who has not been trained to shoot with a safety. In times of great fear, will you remember if your safety is on or off?"

"Well, I'd rather not have a safety."

Now we've gone over the rules, and Lorrabelle

is wearing her eyes and ears. I'm about to discuss stance when I see that her feet are shoulder-width apart and her upper body slightly leans forward. She has a good, high grip on the EZ. Her stance looks good.

"The grip on this .380 EZ is kinda wide though," she notes. "I have small hands."

"What makes the grip somewhat wide is the grip safety," I reply. "If your hand is not high and firm into the grip, the gun won't be able to fire."

She shoots.

"I can handle this gun," she says happily. "The slide is easy to rack, the trigger is light, and there isn't much kick. But I'd rather have a gun with a smaller grip."

Next, she shoots the Sig 365/.380. Blam!

"This fits my hand better and will fit in my purse. Can't say I like lining up sights on either gun though," she says. "Let me ask you this: Some guys have told me that a .380 doesn't have enough oomph to be a real defensive gun. What if I put in those hollow point rounds? Aren't they supposed to be powerful loads?"

"Yes, they are. However, Joe has seen Mas-sad Ayoob on YouTube reporting that a hollow

point isn't a good defensive round for the .380. The hollow points open up too quickly, so they can't penetrate deeply enough to neutralize a threat. He suggests using FMJ rounds instead. FMJ stands for full metal jacketed rounds."

Next, Lorrabelle shoots the 9mm Equalizer. Joe has fitted the Equalizer with a red dot reflex sight.

"I like this reflex sight! There's no need to line up front and back sights." Lorrabelle is shooting tighter groups on her target.

Then she shoots the Kimber Mako.

"Now I know why guys practically genuflect when they hear the name Kimber!" she says excitedly. "This gun is really accurate. I'm shooting so much better. This Mako is fitted with reflex sights, like the Equalizer."

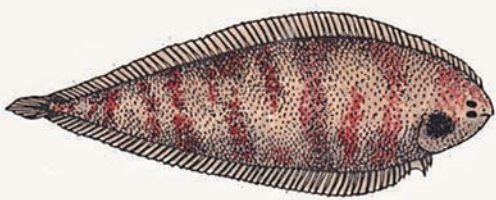
I thought Lorrabelle would find the 9mm handguns to have more power than she could manage comfortably, but she actually shoots better with the 9mm's than the .380s!

She turns to look at me.

"You know, Marj," she explains, "I thought I wanted to have a gun for my trip. But the trip is coming up quickly. I want time to take that class and to find out more about handguns before buying one. These four guns we shot today are all great, but I'd like to try out even a few more guns."

"Can we meet back here at the range when I return? There is so much more that I need to learn."

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



BLACK CHEEKED TONGUEFISH
(*Symphurus plagius*)

This flat fish, is the most common of 20 known species that live in nearshore Atlantic/Gulf water and the only one found in brackish estuary waters including the Mississippi. It grows to 8". During development one eye migrates to the opposite side so the fish has two eyes on one side. The eye side has a row of 71-86 sharp teeth but none on belly side. This fish is of little commercial value but survive in areas of high sulfur gas release which would be toxic to other fish. Flatfish are a favorite food of the Asian markets

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WEEKLY WILDLIFE PHOTO



Retired park ranger Robert Thompson was on his wildlife survey at Wakulla Springs recently and shot this photo of a white-tailed deer.

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The Old Pro: Call FWC if you see an injured manatee



By AL HARTMAN

Hot enough for ya? August is always pretty rough.

The fishing has been good, but it's best to go early or later. Scallops are still plentiful and the boats at St. Marks Lighthouse look like a Walmart parking lot. Waiting room only to put in or out too.

Hope it cools down because spring duck season is just around the corner. Teal and wood duck season is Sept. 19-23.

What I want to do is give a

heads up for Manatees. The death toll is higher than usual. This past June in Wakulla four have been found dead and two of them were killed by boat hits. Five so far for this year in Wakulla County.

There have been 392 state wide deaths this year as of June 30 and 72 were killed by boat strikes.

Most of the others in that number were from starvation. It seem that Toxic Algal blooms that kills the seagrass manatees love most to eat.

I saw a picture the other day someone took of a Manatee out of the water eating grass on a river bank. So boaters be more careful in the water to protect them. Especially in the rivers and streams.

If you see a injured or sickly Manatee call the state Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission at 888-404-3922 and give the best info you can as to its location.

Happy hunting and fishing. Take a young'un!



Underwater Wakulla

By Gregg Stanton

An Underwater Look Forward in Wakulla County

January 10, 2013

Last week I attended the Beachwood 31st annual New Year's Eve party at the Livingstons residence. There, amongst our friends and neighbors, we typically review what has happened during the last year.

This year the continued increase in home foreclosures, loss of jobs and general economic strife was distressing. Some are solidifying their resources while others are just leaving town for greener pastures. One dive shop in Tallahassee went out of business a week ago, and the other has branched out away from diving into archery.

Our efforts to open Wakulla Springs State Park to qualified recreational diving was defeated. Indian Springs (next to Wakulla Springs), owned and operated by the YMCA, sold their property north of Route 267 to private developers, who are now proposing to rent the property surrounding the springs. Access to the basin and cave for diving has been closed while the new owners decide how they want to proceed.

All of our December and January international attendance has canceled citing economic stress or disinterest in the county. The new cave dedicated store, Cave Connections, is busy identifying caves on private property that are only available through their facility, following in the footsteps of the out-of-town group that currently dives Wakulla Springs. None of this bodes well for Wakulla County economically.

What then, can we see for underwater Wakulla in the crystal ball? Providing we survive the asteroid that is scheduled to pass between the earth and the moon on Feb. 15, there is a summer reprieve coming. The inshore (out 9 miles) spear fishing season for Gag Grouper may open on April 1 through June 30, if the FWC draft proposal is implemented.

That season will close inshore and open offshore in federal waters (9 miles to the shelf) July 1 through November or December. Red Grouper also opens April 1 through the end of January. Amberjack opens Aug. 1 and closes May 30. Red Snapper has not been determined at this time according to the FWC website.

Our scalloping season in the shallow grass beds near shore now extends from July 1 through late September. And of course, for those who visit the Florida Keys for lobster, the mini season is in late July and opens otherwise Aug. 6, closing at the end of March. This summer could be a bumper year if inclement weather does not interfere.

See http://myfwc.com/media/2455479/Gulf_Seasons_atAGlance_2013.pdf for more details.

On shore, further cave exploration continues south of Route 98. The reported known 400-plus windows into the karst should be expanded with the renewed cave diving by several exploration groups.

Deep exploration is hampered by the rise in the cost of helium, now at over \$100 per 280 cubic feet (cf) cylinder. A diver who, say, breathes 1 cf per minute at the surface wants to dive to 200 feet in a cave or off shore, which may use a 50 percent helium mix, will pay \$3 per minute at that depth. At that rate, his twin cylinder set will cost him \$107, (not counting decompression gases) just for breathing gas.

The dive will cost him/her in excess of \$150, which encourages exploration divers to take up rebreathers..... or some other pastime.

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Helping your child handle annoying classmates



By **SHERYL H. BOLDT**

The school year has begun. You prayed for your child, for their teachers and for a great year.

Academics matter – but so does helping

your child succeed socially, especially when they have to deal with “that” student. The one who grates on everyone’s nerves. The one your child mentioned at the dinner table with an eye roll and a sigh.

So ...

Before you address the “annoying classmate” issue, start with something positive. Ask your child what they’re looking forward to this year. Which classes excite them? What activities are they eager to jump into?

Then gently circle

back to their comment about the student who “gets on everybody’s nerves.” Invite them to explain what they meant. Listen. Empathize. Let them know you understand – because you do.

We all have someone in our workplace or neighborhood whose behavior makes us want to take the long way around the building. Share a brief story of your own (without denigrating anyone, including mentioning names) about a person who stretches your pa-

tience thin.

Next, ask a tough question: “Do you think you ever annoy people?” If your child is honest, you might even get a smile – maybe a laugh. This moment of humility can open the door to a meaningful conversation.

Explain that you want them to enjoy every good thing they’re excited about this year, and you don’t want frustration or unkindness to steal any of those opportunities.

Then suggest something different: “What if

we prayed for this student instead of making fun of them?”

Read or quote 1 Thessalonians 5:11 (ESV): “Therefore encourage one another and build one another up.” Pray together for help to notice one positive trait about this classmate – even if it’s a small one. Ask God to help your child see this student as someone who may be carrying burdens they know nothing about.

Together, pray for this student to have a good year.

And in your own quiet time, continue praying – asking God to guide you as you support your child academically, socially and spiritually. School is more than grades. It’s a training ground for compassion, maturity and Christlike character.

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Pray for them



By **CHERYL CRUCE**

August is one of those months that brings its own kind of excitement. The humidity falters ever so slightly, football teams and fans become enthusiastic for a new season, and yellow school buses start rolling down the highways. Children across our towns, cities, and countryside, dressed in brightly colored clothes, are waiting at their stops, excited for

a new year.

Moving inward, there is a sense of anticipation as administrators prepare and set into motion a foundation for success. Teachers are busy creating lesson plans, colorful classrooms, and bulletin boards that are inviting. Custodians are making the hallways shine, while lunchroom staff prepare healthy meals. There is a busyness in the air that cannot be denied.

Then the first day arrives. Young moms walk their little ones in for the first time. Hearts are tugging and tears are forming as they entrust their children to teachers for the coming school year, knowing that school resource officers will also be there to help

keep them safe.

Another first is also taking place. Teenagers are excited with a newfound freedom in being able to drive. At 16, 17, or 18, they are learning to navigate the highways and roads on their own. We have seen far too many reminders of how quickly a routine drive can change.

Over the course of my life, I have been a first-time student holding the hand of a tearful mom and also a new driver. I have felt the sting of watching my children enter the classroom, and I have been the worker building the bulletin boards. Today I am the grandmother watching the cycle continue. And today I pray for them – all of them. The children. The parents. The

teachers. The school resource officers. The administrators. The bus drivers. The cafeteria workers. The custodians. The young drivers. And those who are yet to come.

Prayer does not require an introduction. We don’t have to know someone’s name, hear their story, or even meet them to pray for them. Jesus understood this kind of prayer. In the garden, knowing that the cross was before Him, Jesus prayed not only for those who were with Him, but also for those who would one day come to faith through the witness of His disciples. His prayer reached beyond the people standing before Him to people He would never meet face to face.

Perhaps that is what we are called to do as a new school year begins. To look beyond what we know and pray for those we don’t. To see the yellow school bus traveling down the road and pray for the children inside—pray for the driver entrusted with the responsibility of carrying so many children safely to their destination. To pass a school and pray for the teachers, administrators, and staff. To see a young person behind the wheel and whisper a prayer for safe travels.

We may never know their names or what they are carrying in their hearts as they begin this new year. But God knows each one. Our prayers can go where we cannot, touching classrooms,

school buses, homes, and highways. So as August begins and another school year unfolds, let us be intentional about looking beyond ourselves. When we see the yellow bus, pray for them. When we pass the school, pray for them. When a teenage driver pulls onto the highway, pray for them. We may not know them, but we can lift them before the One who does. Pray for them.

Romans 12:12 – Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer.

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

OUT TO PASTOR

Keeping up is hard to do at my age



By **JAMES SNYDER**

There was a time in my life when keeping up was part of my daily routine. I started each day with a specific objective, and by the end of the day, I had completed it.

I took pride in completing my work on time. The secret was to plan carefully. Some projects required several days; therefore, I organized them accordingly.

That had been true throughout my life until a very serious enemy came into view and hindered me from finishing some projects. This enemy has been a curse in my life.

Comparing me with The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage, you will discover that she had no such enemy in her life messing with her schedule. If she wanted something done, she completed it on time. I, on the other

side of the marriage table, had trouble along these lines, and even though I wanted something done, I never actually got it done when I wanted it.

You might ask what this enemy is. It was something I really never expected in my life, and voilà, there it is. That vicious enemy is “Old Age.” It has snuck up on me without any indication it was coming.

Although The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage is technically two years older than me, she doesn’t have that same enemy messing up her daily schedule. No matter what, she finished a project exactly on time.

When I was younger, I was taught that “Old Age” was chasing me and would catch up sooner than I expected. Laughing, I always pushed it aside and said everybody gets old except me.

I looked at my father and mother and noticed they were getting old. I never really believed that I would actually come face-to-face with “Old Age,” and yet here it was.

Every time I celebrated a birthday, it never occurred to me that it meant I was

one year older than the year before. Why do we celebrate birthdays every year? Don’t we realize that your birthday means you’re just older?

Sitting at my desk the other day, I noticed a pile of work I needed to complete. I never realized I had so much to do at my age, and it was taking me longer to do it.

I had the superstitious idea that getting older didn’t mean you couldn’t accomplish all that you could years before. I just assumed that celebrating my birthday was just another click on the clock.

My birthday and The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage’s birthday are two days apart. We went to a restaurant to celebrate our birthday like we usually do.

At the restaurant, we told our waitress we were celebrating our birthday. Looking at me, she said, “How does old feel?”

Without even looking at her, I reached across the table, took hold of The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage’s arm, and gently squeezed it. Then I looked back at the waitress and said, “It doesn’t feel really that bad.”

The waitress didn’t know whether she should laugh or walk away. Unfortunately, The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage knew exactly what to do, and it wasn’t to laugh. The look she gave me still burns in my head today.

My predicament is trying to get around that stupid remark to the waitress. As long as I have been married, I still have trouble dealing with my stupidity.

Through 55 years of marital bliss, I have worked hard to keep up with The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage. When I think I’ve accomplished it, something happens that sets me back in a remarkable way.

I’m not quite sure how she can keep up with everything. If I knew her secret, maybe I could apply it to my life and get to the place where I’m actually keeping up with everything. However, if I asked her the secret, I’m not exactly sure how she would respond.

Looking back over the years of my life, I think I can say the only place I have actually kept up with everything was my relationship with The Gracious Mis-

tress of the Parsonage. The fact that we’ve been married 55 years says quite a lot about both of us.

The secret I have discovered is The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage can fix anything wrong or broken.

About eight years ago, the bumper on my truck broke and was almost dragging on the ground. I had no idea what to do, and as I was looking at it, the Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage came out and said, “What’s wrong?”

When I told her, she looked at it for a moment and then said, “I think I know how to fix that. Let me go inside and get something.”

She came out in a few moments with some large paperclips. She looked under the bumper, asked me to hold it up, and then put three paperclips underneath the bumper. That

was eight years ago, and those paperclips are still doing their job of keeping the front bumper in place.

If she can’t keep up, nobody else can.

Thinking on this reminded me of a Bible verse. “See then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise, Redeeming the time, because the days are evil.” (Ephesians 5:15-16).

I need to be careful each day, live as it pleases the Lord, and focus on what is important. Some things are worth doing, and I need to know the difference.

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Chrissy is leaving behind her mother, Virginia (Ginger) Smith Ford, her daughter Taylor Boutin and her twin granddaughters Naomi Williams and Nevaeh Williams.

DEATH NOTICES

• **Landon Shane Davis**, 55 of Crawfordville died on August 11, 2026.

• **James Curtis Graham**, 43 of Crawfordville died on August 8, 2026.

• **Elizabeth McDonald Messer**, 79 of Lamont, passed

away August 15, 2026.

Family Funeral Home at Harvey-Young Chapel, 850-926-5919, www.familyfhc.com.

Sheriff’s Report

Sheriff’s Report is for activity August 7 to 14.

FRIDAY, AUG. 7

• Deputy Shawn Joens responded to the Annex in reference to a citizen reporting fraud to his bank account. He was alerted by his bank in reference to possible suspicious activity on his account. After further investigation, he was found to be in the negative by \$8,000 with several \$500 withdrawals being noticed. Case forwarded to Criminal Investigation Division.

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SATURDAY, AUG. 8

• Sgt. Ernesto Trujillo responded to Pueblo Trail in reference to a vehicle burglary. Contact was made with the reporting person who stated that, during the night, two unknown individuals had come on to her property. The two individuals went into her vehicle and began going through it. She advised after a few moments the two individuals exited her vehicle and left the property. She advised she believed the subjects had taken sunglasses from her vehicle. She advised she only wished to inform us of the incident; however, a report was taken for information purposes.

• Deputy Ian Kilbourn responded to Graham Trail in reference to a theft. Contact was made with the reporting person who stated sometime during the night, bicycles and a firearm were stolen from her property. She advised there were three bikes on her property but when she woke up this morning, two of the bicycles were gone. She also advised a firearm was missing from her vehicle. She was unable to provide any suspects for this incident. She was also unable to provide a serial number for the firearm. Case forwarded to CID

• Deputies Meredith Sullivan, Shawn Joens

and Tillman Moen responded to Woodville Highway in reference to Wakulla County Fire and Rescue requesting law enforcement assistance due to a subject, identified as Clayton Weaver, becoming violent. Fire personnel stated Weaver balled up his fists and began approaching them making statements of causing harm. Post investigation, Weaver was placed under arrest.

SUNDAY, AUG. 9

• Deputy Tillman Moen and Deputy Zachary Godwin responded to Panther Road in reference to a citizen reporting his VEVOR Floation Device stolen from the Mysterious Waters dock. He stated he will be attempting to make contact with neighbors in the area to see if they have video footage of the incident and will call the Wakulla County Sheriff’s Office if more information is gathered.

MONDAY, AUG. 10

• A citizen reported possible fraudulent activity using her personal information. She advised she recently talked with a representative from Xfinity via a telephone call. During the call, the rep began to ask for her Social Security number and she provided the information. She advised after the call she began getting packages delivered in her name to her residence and getting bills from multiple accounts in which she did not agree to. She advised she had more info to provide in reference to this incident. Currently she has put a freeze on her credit to prevent further accounts being opened or major purchases made in her name. Case forwarded to CID.

• A citizen reported getting a letter from the Small Business Administration two years ago in reference to an outstanding debt. He set the notice aside due to not having knowledge of the company. On Aug. 10, he got another letter this time from Pioneer Credit Recovery advising he had an outstanding debt of \$46,000. He took the notice to his local bank and had a credit report pulled on his behalf. At the time of this report, nothing showed on his credit report as being

outstanding from either company. He was issued an Identity Packet and advised to monitor his credit for fraudulent activity.

TUESDAY, AUG. 11

• Deputy Billy Mullen responded to Comanche Trail in reference to criminal mischief. Contact was made with the reporting person who stated he received a call from a home builder. He informed him that someone had stolen wiring from the walls of the construction site for the houses that were being built. He advised when he arrived on scene to inspect the damages, he observed approximately 200 feet of wiring and it would take an additional 1,000 feet to rewire the residences due to the damage done. He estimated the damages to be approximately \$3,000 to \$5,000. Case forwarded to CID.

• Deputies Dylan Buckhalt, Ashton Williams, Joshua Parker and Dakota Harper responded to the area of Pixie Circle and U.S. Highway 319 in reference to a Florida Highway Patrol Trooper requesting assistance with an irate subject on a traffic stop. Upon deputies’ arrival, Deputy Buckhalt gathered subject information from the Trooper and did a query for wants or warrants. The information provided wasn’t returning accurately so Deputy Buckhalt initiated a search of recent Intel Bulletins issued by WCSO Crime Analyst. By doing this, Deputy Buckhalt was able to successfully gather the correct name and demographics for a query. Upon conducting the query, it returned a hit for Jose Espinoza Jr. who was wanted on multiple Human Trafficking Warrants (Texas) with full extradition. The Trooper was informed of this information and ultimately

placed Espinoza under arrest and transported him to WCSO Jail Facility.

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 12

• Deputies Moen and Rivers conducted a traffic stop for no registration lights. Contact was made with the driver and sole occupant who was discovered to be in possession of a small amount of suspected marijuana, which was seized for destruction.

• Dollar General management at 1885 Crawfordville Highway reported a delayed theft. The suspect passed all points of sale with unpaid merchandise. Management was unsure of how much the merchandise was valued at this time, but do have a possible suspect. Case forwarded to CID.

• Timothy Mobley was arrested for battery after being in an altercation with a Walgreens employee. Mobley was taken into custody and transported to the jail facility.

THURSDAY, AUG. 13

• A citizen reported his pharmacy sent him medication via FedEx. He discovered the package had been tampered with and the medication had been stolen. Due to no camera footage or suspect information, this case will be closed.

• A citizen reported the theft of an iPhone. The phone was delivered via FedEx, and was ordered through Xfinity Mobile. She received the package and the phone was missing. The phone had an estimated value of \$900. Due to no suspect information, or video footage, this case will be closed.

FRIDAY, AUG. 14

• Deputy Dustin Saba was in the area of Hardees, when he was flagged down by a citizen, who stated someone was actively breaking into the Cloud Smoke Shop.

Landon Davis service is set

Staff Report

Landon Davis, well known locally for his work as an umpire fro 34 years in youth and college baseball, from Florida to Texas, was killed in a head-on crash on Aug. 11.

A service will be held on Saturday, Aug. 22, at 10 a.m. at Tallahassee State College athletic field in Tallahassee.

A burial will be held at Lake Ellen

Baptist Church in Crawfordville the same day at noon.

Davis umpired for more than 15 years at Florida State, Tallahassee Community College and Florida A&M.

Problems with nerve damage in recent years had led to him cutting back on his umpire work.

He worked in chemical sales with Tribe Chemical.

away August 15, 2026.

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Deputy Saba arrived on scene, parking short, and while approaching the business on foot, observed a male subject in a white hoodie exiting the store through a shattered front window. The suspect was attempting to gather all the products thrown from the store, when Deputy Saba began to give verbal commands to the suspect. A foot pursuit ensued through the wooded area behind the smoke shop. Deputies I. Kilbourn, Moen and Rivers responded to the area of C.L. Townsend to assist. A short time later, the suspect exited the wood line on C.L. Townsend, continuing to flee on foot. Deputy Rivers proceeded to chase the suspect, tackling him to the ground and taking him into

custody. The suspect was identified as Colton James Sanders, 18. The suspect sustained lacerations to his back as he exited the store, therefore was transported to Southwood ER by EMS, so Deputy Love rode in the ambulance. CID on -call was notified of the incident. On-call Crime Scene arrived and processed the scene.

• A traffic stop was conducted for careless driving. The driver was discovered to have a small amount of marijuana and paraphernalia in his possession. Both items were collected and turned in for destruction.

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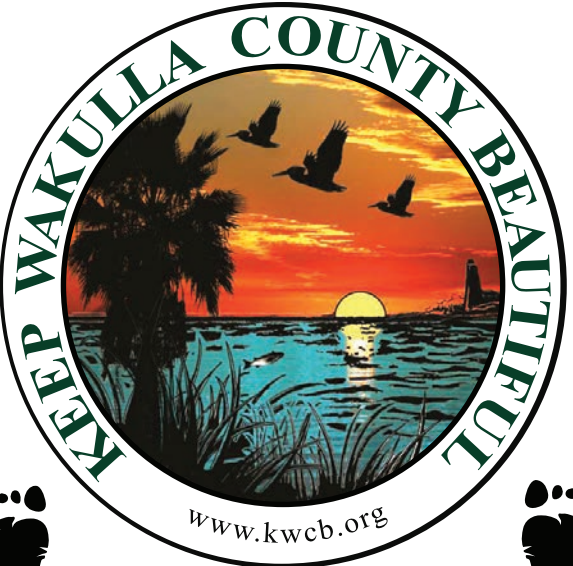
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KERESSA BRUCE

Before the sale date of August 31st, 2026. The Owners may redeem their property by payment of the Outstanding Balance and cost by mailing certified funds to 2314 Crawfordville Hwy, Crawfordville, Florida 32327 or Paying in person at the warehouse location.
August 20, 27, 2026

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF THOMAS JORDAN BROWN DECEASED
DIVISION: PROBATE

CASE NO: 2026-CP-117

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the Estate of Thomas Jordan Brown, deceased, File 2026-CP-117 is pending in the Circuit Court for Wakulla County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 3056 Crawfordville Hwy., Crawfordville, FL 32327. The name and address of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney is set forth below.

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

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

The date of the first publication of this Notice is August 13, 2026.

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Florida Bar No. 521450
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Personal Representative: Tommy J. Brown
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Aug. 13, 20, 2026

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF JAMES LEE THOMPSON DECEASED
DIVISION: PROBATE

CASE NO: 2026-CP-111

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the Estate of James Lee Thompson, deceased, File 2026-CP-111 is pending in the Circuit Court for Wakulla County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 3056 Crawfordville Hwy., Crawfordville, FL 32327. The name and address of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney is set forth below.

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Setting Sun Panacea, LLC
c/o Frances C. Lowe, Esquire
Ausley McMullen
68-A Feli Way
Crawfordville, Florida 32327

The written claim must include:
The claimant's name, address, telephone number, and email address (if available);
The amount of the claim;
The basis for the claim; and
Copies of any documents supporting the claim.

Claims must be received no later than four (4) years after publication. Any claim not received by the stated deadline may be barred to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law.

Dated this 22nd day of July, 2026.

SETTING SUN PANACEA, LLC, a Florida Limited Liability Company
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA

PAFFORD PROPERTIES & CONSTRUCTION, LLC, A FLORIDA LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY,
PLAINTIFF,
Case No.: 2026-CA-108
V.
BOOKER HAWKINS, UNKNOWN SPOUSE(S) OF BOOKER HAWKINS, KNOWN AND UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, JUDGMENT CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST BOOKER HAWKINS OR THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE(S) OR THE RESPECTIVE ESTATE(S); RUFUS HAWKINS, UNKNOWN SPOUSE(S) OF RUFUS HAWKINS, KNOWN AND UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, JUDGMENT CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST RUFUS HAWKINS OR THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE(S) OR THE RESPECTIVE ESTATE(S); JOHN MCPHERSON, UNKNOWN SPOUSE(S) OF JOHN MCPHERSON, KNOWN AND UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, JUDGMENT CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST JOHN MCPHERSON OR THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE(S) OR THE RESPECTIVE ESTATE(S); NATHANIEL FARMER, UNKNOWN SPOUSE(S) OF NATHANIEL FARMER, KNOWN AND UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, JUDGMENT CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST BOSSIE HAWKINS OR THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE(S) OR THE RESPECTIVE ESTATE(S); BOSSIE HAWKINS, UNKNOWN SPOUSE(S) OF BOSSIE HAWKINS, KNOWN AND UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, JUDGMENT CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST BOSSIE HAWKINS OR THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE(S) OR THE RESPECTIVE ESTATE(S); A.N. REVELL; UNKNOWN SPOUSE(S) OF A.N. REVELL, KNOWN AND UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, JUDGMENT CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST A.N. REVELL OR THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE(S) OR THE RESPECTIVE ESTATE(S); NORTON D. HAWKINS, UNKNOWN SPOUSE(S) OF NORTON D. HAWKINS, KNOWN AND UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, JUDGMENT CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST NORTON D. HAWKINS OR THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE(S) OR THE RESPECTIVE ESTATE(S); MARY HAWKINS, UNKNOWN SPOUSE(S) OF MARY HAWKINS, KNOWN AND UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, JUDGMENT CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST MARY HAWKINS OR THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE(S) OR THE RESPECTIVE ESTATE(S); WELDON W. HAWKINS, UNKNOWN SPOUSE(S) OF WELDON W. HAWKINS, KNOWN AND UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, JUDGMENT CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST WELDON W. HAWKINS OR THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE(S) OR THE RESPECTIVE ESTATE(S); BERNICE HAWKINS DAVIS, UNKNOWN SPOUSE(S) OF BERNICE HAWKINS DAVIS, KNOWN AND UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, JUDGMENT CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST BERNICE HAWKINS DAVIS OR THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE(S) OR THE RESPECTIVE ESTATE(S); MARIE HAWKINS MILLER, UNKNOWN SPOUSE(S) OF MARIE HAWKINS MILLER, KNOWN AND UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, JUDGMENT CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST MARIE HAWKINS MILLER OR THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE(S) OR THE RESPECTIVE ESTATE(S); ANNIE C. HAWKINS, UNKNOWN SPOUSE(S) OF ANNIE C. HAWKINS, KNOWN AND UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, JUDGMENT CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST ANNIE C. HAWKINS OR THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE(S) OR THE RESPECTIVE ESTATE(S); PRISCILLA HAWKINS, UNKNOWN SPOUSE(S) OF PRISCILLA HAWKINS, KNOWN AND UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, JUDGMENT CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST PRISCILLA HAWKINS OR THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE(S) OR THE RESPECTIVE ESTATE(S); SHERRI BARBER, UNKNOWN SPOUSE(S) OF SHERRI BARBER, KNOWN AND UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, JUDGMENT CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST SHERRI BARBER OR THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE(S) OR THE RESPECTIVE ESTATE(S); GENO HAWKINS, UNKNOWN SPOUSE(S) OF GENO HAWKINS, KNOWN AND UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, JUDGMENT CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST GENO HAWKINS OR THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE(S) OR THE RESPECTIVE ESTATE(S); ALICE DUGAN, UNKNOWN SPOUSE(S) OF ALICE DUGAN, KNOWN AND UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, JUDGMENT CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST ALICE DUGAN OR THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE(S) OR THE RESPECTIVE ESTATE(S); JOHNETTA JONES, UNKNOWN SPOUSE(S) OF JOHNETTA JONES, KNOWN AND UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, JUDGMENT CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST JOHNETTA JONES OR THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE(S) OR THE RESPECTIVE ESTATE(S); JOHNNY HAWKINS, UNKNOWN SPOUSE(S) OF JOHNNY HAWKINS, KNOWN AND UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, JUDGMENT CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST JOHNNY HAWKINS OR THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE(S) OR THE RESPECTIVE ESTATE(S); SHADA HOPKINS, UNKNOWN SPOUSE(S) OF

NOTICE OF ACTION

0730-0820 TWS NOA
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA

PAFFORD PROPERTIES & CONSTRUCTION, LLC, A FLORIDA LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY,
PLAINTIFF,
Case No.: 2026-CA-000101
V.
JOHN PORTEMONT, JR. AND MARILYN TERRY PORTEMONT, IF ALIVE, AND IF DECEASED, UNKNOWN SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, CREDITORS, ASSIGNS, AND ALL OTHER PARTIES CLAIMING BY THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST THEM, Defendants

NOTICE OF ACTION
To: **JOHN PORTEMONT, JR. and MARILYN TERRY PORTEMONT; if alive, and if deceased, unknown spouses, heirs, devisees, grantees, creditors, assigns, and all other parties claiming by through, under or against them**

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that a Complaint for Quiet Title on the following property in Wakulla County, Florida:

LOT 28, BLOCK 2 OF LAKE ELLEN ESTATES UNIT ONE, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 1, PAGE 44, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA. Wakulla County Parcel ID No. 26-4S-02W-022-02204-000
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has been filed against you and others, and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on **ANDREW J. POWER, ESQUIRE, SMITH, THOMPSON, SHAW & POWER, P.A.**, Plaintiff's attorneys, 3520 Thomasville Road, Fourth Floor, Tallahassee, Florida 32309-3469, no more than thirty (30) days from the first publication date of this Notice of Action, and file the original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorneys or immediately thereafter; otherwise, a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint or petition.

DATED this 22nd day of July, 2026.

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



July 30, August 6, 13, 20, 2026

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SHADA HOPKINS, KNOWN AND UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, JUDGMENT CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST SHADA HOPKINS OR THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE(S) OR THE RESPECTIVE ESTATE(S); MAROLON ISAAC, UNKNOWN SPOUSE(S) OF MAROLON ISAAC, KNOWN AND UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, JUDGMENT CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST MAROLON ISAAC OR THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE(S) OR THE RESPECTIVE ESTATE(S); FLORENCE CREECH, UNKNOWN SPOUSE(S) OF FLORENCE CREECH, KNOWN AND UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, JUDGMENT CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST FLORENCE CREECH OR THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE(S) OR THE RESPECTIVE ESTATE(S); MARY E. JACKSON, UNKNOWN SPOUSE(S) OF MARY E. JACKSON, KNOWN AND UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, JUDGMENT CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST MARY E. JACKSON OR THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE(S) OR THE RESPECTIVE ESTATE(S); DIONNE P. JACKSON, UNKNOWN SPOUSE(S) OF DIONNE P. JACKSON, KNOWN AND UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, JUDGMENT CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST DIONNE P. JACKSON OR THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE(S) OR THE RESPECTIVE ESTATE(S); AMMIE THOMAS JACKSON, UNKNOWN SPOUSE(S) OF AMMIE THOMAS JACKSON, KNOWN AND UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, JUDGMENT CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST AMMIE THOMAS JACKSON OR THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE(S) OR THE RESPECTIVE ESTATE(S); VERNADINE PLUMMER, UNKNOWN SPOUSE(S) OF VERNADINE PLUMMER, KNOWN AND UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, JUDGMENT CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST VERNADINE PLUMMER OR THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE(S) OR THE RESPECTIVE ESTATE(S); CLARA T. POOLE, UNKNOWN SPOUSE(S) OF CLARA T. POOLE, KNOWN AND UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, JUDGMENT CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST CLARA T. POOLE OR THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE(S) OR THE RESPECTIVE ESTATE(S); LINCOLN DAVID JACKSON, UNKNOWN SPOUSE(S) OF LINCOLN DAVID JACKSON, KNOWN AND UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, JUDGMENT CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST LINCOLN DAVID JACKSON OR THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE(S) OR THE RESPECTIVE ESTATE(S); TRELINDA GILMORE, UNKNOWN SPOUSE(S) OF TRELINDA GILMORE, KNOWN AND UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, JUDGMENT CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST TRELINDA GILMORE OR THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE(S) OR THE RESPECTIVE ESTATE(S); CYNTHIA JACKSON, UNKNOWN SPOUSE(S) OF CYNTHIA JACKSON, KNOWN AND UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, JUDGMENT CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST CYNTHIA JACKSON OR THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE(S) OR THE RESPECTIVE ESTATE(S); ANDREW JACKSON, UNKNOWN SPOUSE(S) OF ANDREW JACKSON, KNOWN AND UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, JUDGMENT CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST ANDREW JACKSON OR THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE(S) OR THE RESPECTIVE ESTATE(S); SANDRA TIMMONS, UNKNOWN SPOUSE(S) OF SANDRA TIMMONS, KNOWN AND UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, JUDGMENT CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST SANDRA TIMMONS OR THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE(S) OR THE RESPECTIVE ESTATE(S); KNOWN AND UNKNOWN PARTIES IN POSSESSION; AND ALL CLAIMANT(S), PERSON(S) OR PARTIES, NATURAL OR CORPORATE, OR WHOSE EXACT LEGAL STATUS IS UNKNOWN, CLAIMING UNDER ANY OF THE ABOVE NAMES OR DESCRIBED DEFENDANTS HEREIN,
COLLECTIVELY "DEFENDANTS".

NOTICE OF ACTION
To: **BOOKER HAWKINS; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF BOOKER HAWKINS; RUFAS HAWKINS; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF RUFUS HAWKINS; JOHN MCPHERSON; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF JOHN MCPHERSON; NATHANIEL FARMER; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF NATHANIEL FARMER; BOSSIE HAWKINS; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF BOSSIE HAWKINS; A.N. REVELL; UNKNOWN SPUSE OF A.N. REVELL; NORTON D. HAWKINS; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF NORTON D. HAWKINS; MARY HAWKINS; UNKNOWN SPOISE OF MARY HAWKINS; WELDON W. HAWKINS; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF WELDON W. HAWKINS; BERNICE HAWKINS DAVIS; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF BERNICE HAWKINS DAVIS; MARIE HAWKINS MILLER; UNKNOWN SPOISE OF MARIE HAWKINS MILLER; ANNIE C. HAWKINS; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF ANNIE C. HAWKINS; PRISCILLA HAWKINS; UNKNOWN SPOISE OF PRISCILLA HAWKINS; SHERRI BARBER; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF SHERRI BARBER; GENO HAWKINS; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF GENO HAWKINS; ALICE DUGAN; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF ALICE DUGAN; JOHNETTA JONES; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF JOHNETTA JONES; JOHNNY HAWKINS; UNKNOWN SPOISE OF JOHNNY HAWKINS; SHADA HOPKINS; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF SHADA HOPKINS;**

NOTICE OF ACTION

0730-0820 TWS NOA
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA

PAFFORD PROPERTIES & CONSTRUCTION, LLC, A FLORIDA LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY,
PLAINTIFF,
Case No.: 2026-CA-000104
V.
MARIA ELENA PICCIRILLO, IF ALIVE, AND IF DECEASED, UNKNOWN SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, CREDITORS, ASSIGNS, AND ALL OTHER PARTIES CLAIMING BY THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST HER, Defendants

NOTICE OF ACTION
To: **JOHN PORTEMONT, JR. and MARILYN TERRY PORTEMONT; if alive, and if deceased, unknown spouses, heirs, devisees, grantees, creditors, assigns, and all other parties claiming by through, under or against them,**

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that a Complaint for Quiet Title on the following property in Wakulla County, Florida:

LOT 7, BLOCK 1 OF GREINER'S ADDITION TO CRAWFORDVILLE, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 1, PAGE 2, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA. LESS AND EXCEPT THAT PORTION CONVEYED TO THE STATE OF FLORIDA AS PER DEED RECORDED IN BOOK 51, PAGE 839, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA.
Wakulla County Parcel ID No. 00-00-077-014-10391-000
Address: Dr MLK Jr Memorial Road, Crawfordville, FL

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

DATED this 22nd day of July, 2026.

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



July 30, August 6, 13, 20, 2026

MAROLON ISAAC; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF MAROLON ISAAC; FLORENCE CREECH; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF FLORENCE CREECH; MARY E. JACKSON; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF MARY E. JACKSON; DIONNE P. JACKSON; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF DIONNE P. JACKSON; AMMIE THOMAS JACKSON; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF AMMIE THOMAS JACKSON; VERNADINE PLUMMER; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF VERNADINE PLUMMER; CLARA T. POOLE; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF CLARA T. POOLE; LINCOLN DAVID JACKSON; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF LINCOLN DAVID JACKSON; TRELINDA GILMORE; UNKNOWN SPOUSE TRELINDA GILMORE; CYNTHIA JACKSON; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF CYNTHIA JACKSON; ANDREW JACKSON; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF ANDREW JACKSON; SANDRA TIMMONS; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF SANDRA TIMMONS; KNOWN AND UNKNOWN PARTIES IN POSSESSION, AND ALL CLAIMANT(S), PERSON(S) OR PARTIES, NATURAL OR CORPORATE, OR WHOSE EXACT LEGAL STATUS IS UNKNOWN, CLAIMING UNDER ANY OF THE ABOVE NAMES OR DESCRIBED DEFENDANTS HEREIN, YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action to quiet title to the following property in Wakulla County, Florida:

TRACT "D"
Commence at a concrete monument (marked #2919) marking the Southwest corner of Lot 5 of the Hartsfield Survey of Lands in Wakulla County, Florida, thence run North 16 degrees 44 minutes 29 seconds West along the West boundary of said Lot 5 (as monumented) 591.54 feet, to a concrete monument (marked #2919), thence run North 16 degrees 29 minutes 03 seconds West along the West boundary of said Lot 5 (as monumented) 114.23 feet to a concrete monument (marked #2919) marking the POINT OF BEGINNING. From said Point of Beginning and leaving said West boundary run South 76 degrees 22 minutes 12 seconds West 559.84 feet to a concrete monument (marked #2919), thence run North 22 degrees 33 minutes 49 seconds West 828.77 feet to an iron rod and cap (marked #7160) lying on the Southerly maintained right-of-way of Lower Bridge Road, thence run North 87 degrees 36 minutes 36 seconds East along said maintained right-of-way 443.21 feet, thence leaving said Southerly maintained right-of-way run South 17 degrees 01 minutes 33 seconds East 260.89 feet, thence run North 87 degrees 04 minutes 36 seconds East 216.53 feet to said West boundary, thence run South 17 degrees 01 minutes 33 seconds East along said West boundary (as monumented) 329.91 feet to a concrete monument (marked #2919), thence run South 17 degrees 01 minutes 41 seconds West along said West boundary (as monumented) 102.51 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING.

More particularly described as follows:

Commence at the Southeast corner of Lot 5, of the Hartsfield Survey of Lands also, being the Southwest corner of Lot 5, of the Hartsfield River Survey of Lands, Wakulla County, Florida; thence run along the Easterly boundary line of Lot 5, of said Hartsfield Survey also being the Westerly boundary line of Lot 5 of said Hartsfield River Survey, North 17 degrees 24 minutes 51 seconds West 705.66 feet to a concrete monument marking the intersection of said Easterly and said Westerly boundary line with the Northerly boundary line of property as described in Official Records Book 768, Page 298, in the Public Records of Wakulla County, Florida, said point being the POINT OF BEGINNING; thence leaving said POINT OF BEGINNING and said Easterly and said Westerly boundary line run along said Northerly boundary line South 75 degrees 37 minutes 15 seconds West 560.20 feet to a concrete monument; thence leaving said Northerly boundary line run North 24 degrees 28 minutes 02 seconds West 834.24 feet to a re-bar lying on the Southerly maintained right of way line of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Road; thence run along said Southerly maintained right of way line North 86 degrees 43 minutes 10 seconds East 462.11 feet to a rod and cap; thence leaving said Southerly right of way line run South 17 degrees 42 minutes 46 seconds East 260.89 feet to a rod and cap; thence run North 86 degrees 23 minutes 35 seconds East 216.50 feet to a rod and cap lying on the Easterly boundary line of Lot 5 of said Hartsfield Survey of Lands, also being the Westerly boundary line of Lot 5, of said Hartsfield River Survey of Lands; thence run along said Easterly and said Westerly boundary line South 17 degrees 43 minutes 52 seconds East 329.95 feet to a concrete monument; thence run South 17 degrees 34 minutes 49 seconds East 102.25 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING. Containing 9.25 acres more or less.

PIN # 00-00-005-000-06246-000
has been filed against you. You are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to the action on Frances Casey Lowe, Esquire, Plaintiff's attorney, whose address is **68-A Feli Way Crawfordville, Florida 32327**, on or before the date not less than 28 days and no more than 60 days after the first publication, and file the original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately after service; otherwise, a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint or Petition.

DATED this 23rd day of July, 2026.

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



July 30, August 6, 13, 20, 2026

Election results

From Front Page

Closely watched races for Congressional District 2 to replace Neal Dunn, who is retiring, saw saw Austin Rogers collect the most votes in Wakulla from the Republican field – and the Republican nomination overall.

With eight GOP candidates, Rogers took 27.8% – amassing 1,419 votes, and the only candidate among the Republicans to hae more than 1,000 votes. Second place went to Luke Murphy with 18.6% followed by Keith

Gross with 18.56%. Rogers will face Democrat Amanda Marie Green in the November election. Green won the Democratic vote for Congress in Wakulla with 36% of the vote followed by Brice Barnces with 32%. Byron Donalds won the Republican nomination for governor to replace Gov. Ron DeSantis. Donalds squeaked by in Wakulla, taking 33% of the vote over next closest opponent Jay Collins, who had 32.4% of the vote.

But the margin was narrow, just 42 votes separated those two candidates. Donalds will face Democrat David Jolly in the November general election. Jolly won 71% of the Democratic votes over a field of lightly known candidates.



Canvassing Board members look at votes on election night.

‘Manhunt is over’

From Front Page

had been found at the time. Later, in the early morning, a fire was reported at the scene. Raker was inside the house and transported to the hospital for treatment for smoke inhalation. In an interview with detectives at the hospital, he indicated someone else was responsible for injuring Luper and Thomas. Raker came back out to the scene and volunteered to help with evidence, but no evidence was discovered, Wester said. He was allowed to leave because he was considered a witness. K9 teams from the state Department of Corrections and human remains detection K9s came out that morning and a man’s body was found on neighboring property of the St. Marks National Wildlife Refuge. The body had been concealed and covered with underbrush, Wester said. It was identified as Luper. Later, about 100 yards away, a deceased female was discovered in heavy brush and concealed with underbrush. The body was identified as Thomas.

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In the judicial races for circuit court judge, which are non-partisan, the incumbents appeared poised to win: • Jason Jones had 62% of the Wakulla vote over challenger Stephanie Cager; • and Lee Marsh held a 70% margin over challenger Rashad Green.

NOTICE OF SALE

0813-0820 TWS NOS
IN THE 2nd JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COURT IN
AND FOR WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA
21ST MORTGAGE CORPORATION, Case #: 2026-CA-31
Plaintiff,
-vs.-
LUKE FRANKLIN STARLING;
DENA KAY STARLING; and
UNKNOWN TENANT
Defendant(s).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment dated August 3, 2026, entered in Case No. 2026-CA-31 of the Circuit Court in and for Wakulla County, Florida, wherein LUKE FRANKLIN STARLING, DENA KAY STARLING, and UNKNOWN TENANT are the Defendants, that Greg James, the Clerk of Court, will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, in person at the Wakulla County Courthouse on the first floor in lobby at 3056 Crawfordville Highway, Crawfordville, FL 32327, on **September 17, 2026 at 11:00 AM**, the following described real property as set forth in the Final Judgment:

Legal: COMMENCING AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LOT NO. 10 OF THE NATHAN DONALDSON ESTATE AS SHOWN ON THE MAP OR PLAT OF RECORD ON PAGE 481 OF DEED BOOK NO. 5 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA, AND LOCATED IN THE NORTH HALF OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER (N 1/2 OF NW 1/4 OF SECTION 13, TOWNSHIP 4 SOUTH, RANGE 2 WEST, WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA (SAID CORNER MARKED BY AN OLD IRON AXLE), THENCE RUN SOUTH 89 DEGREES 25' 27" WEST, 171.1 FEET TO A CONCRETE MONUMENT FOR THE POINT OF BEGINNING OF TRACT HEREIN CONVEYED; THENCE RUN SOUTH 0 DEGREES 25' 46" EAST, 315.0 FEET; THENCE RUN SOUTH 89 DEGREES 25' 27" WEST, 15.0 FEET TO A CONCRETE MONUMENT; THENCE CONTINUE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 25' 27" WEST, 156.1 FEET TO A CONCRETE MONUMENT; THENCE RUN NORTH 0 DEGREES 25' 55" WEST, 315.0 FEET TO AN OLD IRON PIPE; THENCE RUN NORTH 89 DEGREES 25' 27" EAST, 171.1 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. SITUATE, LYING AND BEING IN THE NORTH HALF OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER (N 1/2 OF NW 1/4) OF SECTION 13, TOWNSHIP 4 SOUTH, RANGE 2 WEST, WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA.

AND
COMMENCING AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LOT NO. 10 OF THE NATHAN DONALDSON ESTATE AS SHOWN ON THE MAP OR PLAT OF RECORD ON PAGE 481 OF DEED BOOK NO. 5 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA, AND LOCATED IN THE NORTH HALF OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER (N 1/2 OF NW 1/4) OF SECTION 13, TOWNSHIP 4 SOUTH, RANGE 2 WEST, WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA (SAID CORNER MARKED BY AN OLD IRON AXLE), THENCE RUN SOUTH 89 DEGREES 25' 27" WEST, 171.1 FEET TO A CONCRETE MONUMENT; THENCE RUN SOUTH 0 DEGREES 25' 46" EAST, 315.0 FEET TO POINT OF BEGINNING OF TRACT HEREIN CONVEYED; FROM THE POINT OF BEGINNING CONTINUE SOUTH 0 DEGREES 25' 46" EAST, ALONG THE CENTERLINE OF A 30 FOOT ROADWAY, 315.0 FEET; THENCE RUN SOUTH 89 DEGREES 25' 27" WEST, 15.0 FEET TO A CONCRETE MONUMENT; THENCE CONTINUE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 25' 27" WEST 156.1 FEET TO A CONCRETE MONUMENT; THENCE RUN NORTH 0 DEGREES 25' 55" WEST, 315.0 FEET TO A CONCRETE MONUMENT; THENCE RUN NORTH 89 DEGREES 25' 27" EAST, 156.1 FEET TO A CONCRETE MONUMENT; THENCE CONTINUE NORTH 89 DEGREES 25' 27" EAST, 15.0 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. SITUATE, LYING AND BEING IN THE NORTH HALF OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER (N 1/2 OF NW 1/4) OF SECTION 13, TOWNSHIP 4 SOUTH, RANGE 2 WEST, WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA.

AND
COMMENCING AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 10 OF THE NATHAN DONALDSON ESTATE AS SHOWN ON THE MAP OR PLAT OF RECORD ON PAGE 481 OF DEED BOOK NO. 5 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA, AND LOCATED IN THE NORTH HALF OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER (N 1/2 OF NW 1/4) OF SECTION 13, TOWNSHIP 4 SOUTH, RANGE 2 WEST, WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA (SAID CORNER MARKED BY AN OLD IRON AXLE), THENCE RUN SOUTH 89 DEGREES 25' 27" WEST, 171.1 FEET TO A CONCRETE MONUMENT; THENCE RUN SOUTH 0 DEGREES 25' 46" EAST, 630.0 FEET TO A POINT ON CENTER LINE OF A 30 FOOT ROADWAY AND THE POINT OF BEGINNING OF TRACT HEREIN CONVEYED; FROM THE POINT OF BEGINNING CONTINUE SOUTH 0 DEGREES 25' 46" EAST, ALONG CENTERLINE OF SAID ROADWAY, 317.0 FEET; THENCE RUN NORTH 89 DEGREES 40' 39" WEST ALONG THE NORTH SIDE OF COUNTY ROAD 15.0 FEET TO A CONCRETE MONUMENT; THENCE CONTINUE NORTH 89 DEGREES 40' 39" WEST ALONG NORTH SIDE OF COUNTY ROAD 156.1 FEET TO A CONCRETE MONUMENT; THENCE RUN NORTH 0 DEGREES 25' 55" WEST, 314.47 FEET TO A CONCRETE MONUMENT; THENCE RUN NORTH 89 DEGREES 25' 27" EAST, 156.1 FEET TO A CONCRETE MONUMENT; THENCE CONTINUE NORTH 89 DEGREES 25' 27" EAST, 15.0 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. SITUATE, LYING AND BEING IN THE NORTH HALF OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER (N 1/2 OF NW 1/4) OF SECTION 13, TOWNSHIP 4 SOUTH, RANGE 2 WEST, WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA. SUBJECT TO EASEMENT FOR ROADWAY, BEING A STRIP 15 FEET WIDE (WEST HALF OF A 30 FOOT ROADWAY) ACROSS EAST SIDE OF ABOVE DESCRIBED TRACT.

TOGETHER WITH A 2021 LIVE OAK 30X58 MODEL MANUFACTURED HOME, BEARING SERIAL NOS.: LOHGA30072118A AND LOHGA30072118B.

NOTICE IF YOU ARE A PERSON CLAIMING A RIGHT TO FUNDS REMAINING AFTER THE SALE, YOU MUST FILE A CLAIM WITH THE CLERK NO LATER THAN THE DATE THAT THE CLERK REPORTS THE FUNDS AS UNCLAIMED. IF YOU FAIL TO FILE A CLAIM, YOU WILL NOT BE ENTITLED TO ANY REMAINING FUNDS. AFTER THE FUNDS ARE REPORTED AS UNCLAIMED, ONLY THE OWNER OF RECORD AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS MAY CLAIM THE SURPLUS.

Dated this 6th day of August 2026.

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



NOTICE 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 Court Administration at Wakulla County Courthouse, 3056 Crawfordville Highway, Crawfordville, Florida 32327-0337, 850-926-0905 telephone, within two working days of your receipt of this notice; if you are hearing impaired, call 1-800-955-8771; if you are voice impaired, call 1-800-955-8770.

Aug. 13, 20, 2026

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

0813-0820 TWS NOFS
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT,
IN AND FOR WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA

LAKEVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC, Case No. 25000009CAAXMX
Plaintiff,
vs.
JOSHUA L. HICKS;
Defendants

RE-NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order Rescheduling the Foreclosure Sale dated July 16, 2026, and entered in Case No. 25000009CAAXMX, of the Circuit Court of the Second Judicial Circuit in and for WAKULLA County, Florida. LAKEVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC (hereafter “Plaintiff”), is Plaintiff and JOSHUA L. HICKS, are defendants. Greg James, Clerk of the Circuit Court for WAKULLA, County Florida will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the **First Floor of the Courthouse Lobby, 3056 Crawfordville Highway, Crawfordville, FL 32327 at 11:00 a.m., on the 10TH day of SEPTEMBER, 2026**, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

LOT 2, FAIRWINDS SUBDIVISION, A SUBDIVISION AS PER MAP OR PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 68 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA.

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact Francene Brown, Office of Court Administration, Second Judicial Circuit 301 S. Monroe Street, Room 225 Tallahassee FL 32301, Phone no. 850-606-4401 at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

Si usted es una persona minusválida que necesita algún acomodamiento para poder participar en este procedimiento, usted tiene derecho, sin tener gastos propios, a que se le provea cierta ayuda. Tenga la amabilidad de ponerse en contacto con Francene Brown, Office of Court Administration, Second Judicial Circuit 301 S. Monroe Street, Room 225 Tallahassee FL 32301, Phone no. 850-606-4401 por lo menos 7 días antes de la cita fijada para su comparecencia en los tribunales, o inmediatamente después de recibir esta notificación si el tiempo antes de la comparecencia que se ha programado es menos de 7 días; si usted tiene discapacidad del oído o de la voz, llame al 711.

Si ou se yon moun ki andikape ou enfim ki bezwen akomodasyon pou w ka patisipe nan pwosedi sa, ou kalifye san ou pa gen okenn lajan pou w peye, gen pwovizyon pou jwen kek ed. Tanpri kontakte Francene Brown, Office of Court Administration, Second Judicial Circuit 301 S. Monroe Street, Room 225 Tallahassee FL 32301, Phone no. 850-606-4401 nan 7 jou anvan dat ou gen randevou pou parèt nan tribinal la, oubyen imedyatman apre ou fin resevwa konvokasyon an si li ou gen pou w parèt nan tribinal la mwens ke 7 jou; si ou gen pwoblèm pou w tande oubyen pale, rele 711.

Dated this 3rd day of August 2026.

Counsel of Plaintiff
Van Ness Law Firm, PLC
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Deerfield Beach, Florida 33442
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Pleadings@vanlawfl.com

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Greg James
As Clerk of the Court
By: /s/ Rachel Howard
As Deputy Clerk



Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim before the clerk reports the surplus as unclaimed. August 13, 20, 2026

0813-0820 TWS NOFS
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
IN AND FOR WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA
GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, Case No. 26000037CAAXMX
Plaintiff,
vs.
BRIANNA CRONAN AND PHILLIP HIGHSMITH, ET AL.,
Defendants

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated July 07, 2026, and entered in 26000037CAAXMX of the Circuit Court of the SECOND Judicial Circuit in and for Wakulla County, Florida, wherein U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION is the Plaintiff and BRIANNA CRONAN; PHILLIP HIGHSMITH; FLORIDA HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION; FIFTH THIRD BANK, N.A.; COMMODORE COMMONS OF WAKULLA COUNTY PROPERTY OWNER'S ASSOCIATION, INC. are the Defendant(s). Greg James as the Clerk of the Circuit Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at 3056 Crawfordville Hwy., the Front Lobby, Wakulla County Courthouse, Crawfordville, FL 32327, at 11:00 AM, on **August 27, 2026**, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

LOT 30 OF COMMODORE COMMONS, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE(S) 99, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA.

Property Address: 10 COUNTRY WAY, CRAWFORDVILLE, FL 32327
Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim in accordance with Florida Statutes, Section 45.031.

Dated this 30th day of July, 2026.

{{County Court Seal}}
Greg James
As Clerk of the Court
By: /s/ Ethan Brown
As Deputy Clerk



IMPORTANT

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT: If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact: ADA Coordinator; 301 South Monroe Street; Tallahassee, FL 32301; 850.606.4400; at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711. August 13, 20, 2026

0813-0820 TWS NOF
IN THE COUNTY COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT,
IN AND FOR WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA
CIRCUIT CIVIL DIVISION

SELENE FINANCE, LP Case #: 25000050CAAXMX
Plaintiff(s),
vs.
MIRANDA STORM WEST; et al.,
Defendant(s).

RE-NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT, pursuant to the Order Granting Motion to Cancel and Reschedule Foreclosure Sale entered on July 28, 2026 in the above-captioned action, the Clerk of Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash in the Wakulla County Courthouse Lobby, 3056 Crawfordville Highway, Crawfordville, Florida 32327 in accordance with Chapter 45, Florida Statutes on the **10th day of September, 2026 at 11:00 AM** on the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment of Foreclosure or order, to wit:

LOT 41, BLOCK B, CHADWICK ESTATES PHASE 2, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 6, PAGES 6 AND 7, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA.

Property address: 105 Windsor Way, Crawfordville, FL 32327

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In accordance with Rule of General Practice and Judicial administration 2.515, the undersigned represents that the legal authorities identified herein exist and are accurately cited.

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Greg James
Clerk of the Circuit Court
Wakulla County, Florida
By: /s/ Ethan Brown
As Deputy Clerk



Aug. 13, 20, 2026

WORD SEARCH

BALANCED
BREATHE
CARE
CLEANSE
ENERGY
FITNESS
GRATITUDE
HARMONY
HEALING
HOLISTIC
HYDRATION
MEDITATION
MINDFULNESS
NUTRITION
RECOVERY
RELAXATION
RESILIENCE
ROUTINE
SERENITY
SLUMBER
STAMINA
STRENGTH
VITALITY
WELL-BEING

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Find the words hidden vertically, horizontally, diagonally, and backwards.

CLUES ACROSS

1. Tire pressure measurement
 4. Request
 7. Clairvoyance
 10. 007's creator
 11. Adult male
 12. God of battle (Scandinavian)
 13. Cloths spread over a coffin
 15. Breeze through
 16. Ladyfish genus
 19. We all take them
 21. Earl's jurisdiction
 23. Members of U.S. Navy
 24. Rummy-like card game
 25. Affected by injury
 26. Member of a Semitic people
 27. Withdrew from a union
 30. Woman's cloak
 34. Spanish river
 35. Prohibit
 36. Something you can take
 41. Dish soap brand
 45. Ottoman military commanders
 46. Ancient Italian-Greek colony
 50. Discuss again
 54. A tool to inject
 55. Support
 56. Informal term for money
 57. Catch doing something wrong
 59. Prehistoric people
 60. Large African antelope
 61. Vehicle
 62. Georgia rockers
 63. High resolution microscope
 64. Pitching statistic
 65. Attempt

CLUES DOWN

 1. Indoor plant
 2. Marketable
 3. Rather
 4. Collected
 5. A bag-like structure in a plant or animal
 6. Irish hip-hop trio
 7. Ageless
 8. Course requirements
 9. Pokes at
 13. TV channel
 14. They ____
 17. Cooking material

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 17. Cooking material
 20. Not combining compound
 22. Swiss river
 27. Small coin (French)
 28. Electronic countermeasures
 29. Taxi
 31. Helps little firms
 32. Unhappy
 33. Midway between northeast and east
 37. Glowing
 38. Item to be addressed
 39. An informal body of friends
 40. Intrinsic nature of something
 41. Neural structures
 42. Brews
 43. A place for ships
 44. One who sings holiday songs
 47. Sino-Soviet block (abbr.)
 48. Scottish town
 49. The most worthless parts
 51. Sticky
 52. Put to work
 53. Precursor to the EU
 58. Retrospective analysis (abbr.)

WORD SCRAMBLE

Rearrange the letters to spell something pertaining to wellness.

ERAHBT

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

[illegible]

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	5					9	8	
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	7	3	5	1	2	4		
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Like puzzles? Then you'll love sudoku. This mind-bending puzzle will have you hooked from the moment you square off, so sharpen your pencil and put your sudoku savvy to the test!

Here's How It Works: Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

GUESS WHO?

I am an actor born in Massachusetts on August 12, 1975. I attended Columbia University and majored in physics. But I went into acting like my older brother, playing many supporting roles. I went on to win an Academy Award for a starring role.

Answer: Breath

M	X	N	G	A	A	G	R	S	T	E	T	M	E	D	A	H
M	C	L	E	N	A	N	S	E	M	S	T	A	E	R	M	I
M	L	E	N	O	I	N	E	S	A	L	E	R	M	A	D	E
O	V	E	R	I	N	N	E	S	C	A	R	H	E	R	A	N
X	I	V	O	L	V	A	L	O	H	R	E	C	A	M	A	R
G	S	T	I	F	L	A	L	L	N	E	E	I	N	C	A	R
N	E	I	S	U	N	T	L	E	C	N	C	S	L	A	B	E
X	X	I	L	N	D	E	D	E	A	V	E	M	E	R	A	T
H	U	N	D	O	L	D	O	F	F	A	C	E	B	E	X	E
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S	H	A	V	A	L	A	S	F	A	H	A	I	A	T	A	L
E	N	S	X	A	M	G	N	N	I	E	F	A	S	X	I	N
W	O	C	O	N	T	I	N	E	S	E	F	A	S	X	I	N
G	O	R	I	N	T	I	N	E	S	E	F	A	S	X	I	N
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Moose donate \$1,500 for veterans

Presentation of \$1,500 recently from Wakulla Moose Lodge 2510 to local VA in honor of Paul Peters, a veteran member who passed away recently. The Pool players collected these funds for this donation. A big thank you to our Pool players! (Photo submitted)

Help count wildflower pollinators on Aug. 21

Special to The Sun

Join the fun at Sopchoppy Depot Park (33 Rose Street) on Friday, August 21 between 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Help to count bees and butterflies landing on individual wildflower plants as part of the 2026 Great Southeast Pollinator Census in Wakulla County. Spend just 15 minutes to count insect landings and help pollinator scientists.

Members of the Sarracenia Chapter of the Florida Native Plant Society (FNPS) will be on hand to help you get started. Counting sheets will be provided. Every person who participates will receive a gorgeous pollinator poster. You may also get to taste delicious pollinator-shaped muffins!

Just show up at the

park within the 2-hour window. Bring a folding chair or other seating. Bring a pen or pencil and clipboard (if you can). Then enjoy yourself while you help pollinators.

You may also participate in your own yard at any time on August 21 or 22. Get a counting sheet, read the guide, and watch a video at the event website: <https://gsepc.org/>

‘Pillowman’ opens at Palaver Tree next week



The Pillowman, a play by Martin McDonagh, a dark comedy starring Brett Allbritton, Caleb Goodman, Rob Sparks, John David Stevenson, and Robin Mae, directed by Gary Brame. Four shows only Thursday Aug. 27- Saturday Aug. 29 at The Palaver Tree Theater. (Photos by Gerald Brown)



The family of Jody Kilgore celebrated his birthday on Saturday night, 12 years after he was murdered. The case is unsolved. (Neil Hostnick)

Keep Wakulla County Beautiful has a youth board

By LINDA ANN McDONALD
Correspondent

Keep Wakulla County Beautiful’s (KWCB) youth board held its founders’ meeting with a full meeting room a couple of weeks ago at the Wakulla Environmental Institute in Crawfordville.

The Founder’s Table is where youth help create the future of the KWCB Youth Board. The board acts two-fold as an opportunity to design what youth leadership, environmental stewardship, and what community impact will look like in Wakulla County. The ideas and voices heard today will shape how this board serves youth and our community for years to come.

The agenda included in-depth discussion such as “What is the Youth Board? positions available, representation, bylaws discussion, projects and community impact,” and more.

KWCB’s Caden Grubel, who was newly accepted into Florida State University, initiated the youth board.

“This is something I never expected, I’m glad it turned out as large as it did,” Grubel said. “I figured since I’m turning 18, I figured I’d go head-first into empowering the youth. I wanted to see a youth board that was



Caden Grubel, at the front of the classroom, leads at discussion at the founding of the Keep Wakulla County Beautiful youth board.

inspired by youth and involved with our environment.”

Riversprings Middle School teacher Aimee Liotino attended the event and said, “Teaching the younger generation to maintain the beauty of this earth is extremely important and getting them involved with a focus on microplastics, is handing them the

reins to manage our environment.”

During the event’s icebreaker, the question, “Why are you here?” was asked. Responses included: “I don’t want to see trash,” “We swim in these waters,” and “I don’t like microplastics,” went around the classroom and fueled thought-provoking conversation.

“It’s exciting to see the kids’ perspective on the environment and the projects that they create together for the benefit of Wakulla County,” said Tammie Nason, director of KWCB. “If this snowballs, it’s going to be an amazing thing.”

KWCB President Lesley Cushman, and husband Steve were both present and said, “I hope there is a spark created tonight, and follows along with all who attended tonight. Outside environmental stewardship, there is so much to be learned while on this board. There are life skills to be learned such as Roberts Rules for boards, budget, finances, and leadership. It gets kids involved with boards, and not just picking up trash, our goal here is to prolong the future. We put the seeds down now, so the kids here will be able to be in charge and have a say, later.”

Hope Childree, director of Wakulla Environmental Institute, said, “This is a hugely important necessity. These children are the next stewards of our environment, and the more informed decisions they can make, the more informed difference they can make.”

\$500 was donated to the board as an effort to assist with the youth led organization getting on its feet.

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