

"AND WE KNOW THAT ALL THINGS WORK TOGETHER FOR GOOD TO THOSE WHO LOVE GOD,
TO THOSE WHO ARE THE CALLED ACCORDING TO HIS PURPOSE." - ROMANS 8:28

Honoring Our Veterans...Meet Elliott Jones

Dawn S. West

As Veterans Day draws near, there is no better time than now to recognize a special Veteran right here in Callahan, Mr. Elliott Jones. Many of you know Mr. Jones and many of you have seen him around town, and I mean that literally. He has been spotted many times riding his 3-wheel motorized bicycle around town. Mr. Jones, a young 97, enjoys getting on his bike and riding into town to buy some lunch. His favorite time to ride his bike is in the annual Callahan Christmas Parade. Not only is he a lifelong resident of Callahan, he is also the oldest living WWII Veteran in Callahan.

He was born in the little white farm house that sits right beside his current home. He attended all 12 years of school in Callahan. Following graduation, he worked at the Jacksonville Shipyards. "I worked there as long as I could stand it then I joined the US Navy in December of 1942," said Mr. Jones. "I was 19 and had to go to downtown Jacksonville to join."

Shortly after he joined, he was sent to Bainbridge, Maryland to do his basic training. He recalls there wasn't really a base there, as they were in the process of building it. From there he was sent to the University of Chicago Quarter Master Signal School. It was there that he learned in 4 months, what was normally a 4-year class, to be a Signalman. His first duty station was on Treasure Island in California. It is located between San

Francisco and Oakland. The job of a US Navy Signalman combined both visual communication and advanced lookout skills. Each ship had to have a signalman to guide the ships through the different buoys, flags, lights etc. There are many ways of communication in the oceans. "Once I guided the ship out of the harbor, my job was easy," added Mr. Jones. "My first trip out was to the Guadalcanal, one of the Solomon



Islands in the Pacific Ocean. We took 500 troops there because there was trouble with the Japanese. We delivered the troops and supplies and headed back home." He recalls having 12 days off after that. He took a train to Chicago and then another straight to Jacksonville and was home in two days.

On another trip he remembered they were in a big convoy from the Solomon Islands to the Philippines that actually took three weeks. "We picked up over 100 landing ship transports (LSTs) and at one point there was a Japanese submarine under our ship. Two fleets ahead of us had one Japanese plane get close," continued Mr. Jones. "I can still remember watching the ammunition leaving the ship and getting closer to the planes until they hit it. That was pretty exciting."

He was also commanded to pick up a new ship in Beaumont, Texas and go get a load of silver ore, used to make an atomic bomb. On his return, the ship was stopped by a US Destroyer asking for credentials on the ship. It was then that he realized the ship was new and did not have an I.D. Thankfully they quickly got the problem resolved. In January 1946, Mr. Jones was sent to



Key West, Florida, to work with the weather station until he received his discharge papers as Signal 3rd Class Elliott Jones.

After discharge, he returned to the shipyards but there wasn't much work. He traveled to Wisconsin and began working with his uncle. It was there that he met and married his wife Marilyn in 1951. He returned to Callahan, attended carpentry school and built several schools in Jacksonville and then began building subdivisions. He has since retired and enjoys the quiet side of life. The Jones have three children Scott and Donna Jones, Debbi Alden and Danny and Debby Jones, who all live in Callahan. What an honor and privilege it was for me to spend time with Mr. Jones.



This Saturday, November 7, a Veterans Appreciation Ceremony will be held in Hilliard at the American Legion at 10 a.m. with a 9 a.m. meet and greet. All Veterans are encouraged to attend this special ceremony in your honor. There will be great speakers and lunch following. Make plans to attend!

HMSHS Homecoming Parade & Game Friday



Candidates for King & Queen are: Joseph Bouchard, George Chen, Tywan Lee, Huntley Moore, Dusty Williams, Jade Driggers, Sydney Hall, Jaden Holley, Avre Holton and Kinley Bullard (not pictured).

Hilliard Middle-Senior High School will celebrate Homecoming this Friday! The annual Homecoming parade will be held Friday beginning at 2:45 p.m. starting at Hilliard Elementary, traveling down CR 108 to Oxford Street

(turn left); to 6th Street (left) and return to the Elementary School.

The middle school will hold their homecoming festivities prior to the game at 6 p.m.; and the crowning of the King and Queen will be held at halftime.

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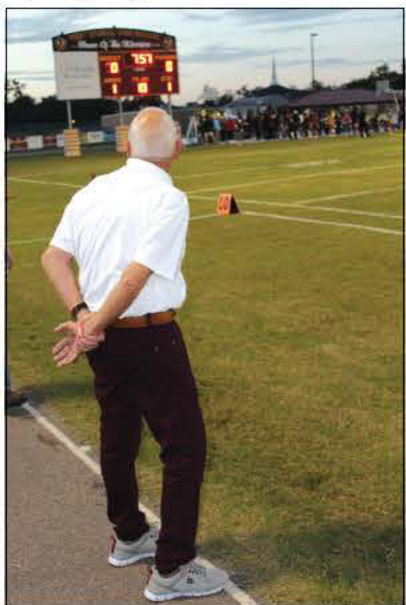
November! Just saying the month brings a bit of piece to my soul. As I've shared many times, November is my favorite time of the year. I'm truly 'in love' with pumpkins, not jack-o-lanterns, pumpkins. I love to have them all around our yard so much that Roger cringes at the thought of me going to the store or especially a pumpkin patch. The colors of fall are so peaceful and serene. How thankful I am that we have an amazing porch to just go out and enjoy God's creation. I spend lots of time there and most of it reflecting on God's goodness.

This has been a tough year for all of us however our God has remained faithful in the storm. I'm so thankful to have our children back in school and events happening. I feel that we have truly turned a corner and are slowly returning back to a better normal. I know I for one have learned to be more proactive concerning keeping my hands away from my face (which is a horrible habit I had) and washing my hands when I can and using hand sanitizer when I can't. It's pretty much common sense.

November is the month of Thanksgiving. Oh my, do we have a lot to be thankful for. I know many have suffered much more than others however we still have something to be thankful for. Each day, I am reminded of God's faithfulness to me as I wake up. I have a safe secure roof over my head, my home is warm or cool, I have food to eat, I have a husband who loves me and I have a Heavenly Father that provides my every need. And that's just to name a few. I definitely could sit around and grumble about early mornings and long days at work but those things can never

outdo my God!

I have to share one more thing about my dad's recent induction into the West Nassau Hall of Fame. The night was absolutely spectacular for my dad and my family. As we all huddled into the school cafeteria to prepare for the ceremony, my parents were overwhelmed with emotion as they saw



how many of our family members greeted them. Each of us siblings told our children about the event and if they wanted to come they could. We had 34 family members attending. As we wanted to honor Dub, by having him be a part of the event, my sister Marci came up with an amazing idea. We had shirts made with Warriors on the front and our name Stearn with Dub's football number 68 on the back.

It was an emotional but joyful time for all of us. As we came out of the cafeteria there were those Friday night lights that had been such a huge part of our family. What an honor it was to see my father stand once again on those sidelines and relive so many special memories.

As we continue through the remainder of this year, let's all try to have a heart of 'thankfulness' to our Father God who is so faithful to us. As the old hymn reminds us...Great is Thy Faithfulness! If you haven't listened to that song lately, pull it up on your phone or computer. Those words are piercing to your heart and soul. As God continues to provide 'all I have needed' I continue to lift Him up. Without Him I am nothing. I pray God's continued guidance in my life daily!

Have a blessed week!

Dawn S. West

Letters to the Editor

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Phone Returned!

Dear Editor,

I just wanted to thank the person that turned in the phone they found on a road in Spring Lake Estates. The person went right to the Westside Journal and turned it in. The ladies put an ad in the paper under lost and I saw it. I went in Friday and retrieved my phone that I assumed it was gone forever. Thank you so much again for finding it and trying to return it. It worked!

Paul Desire

The Pledge of Allegiance

Dear Editor,

I - Me; an individual; a committee of one.

PLEDGE - Dedicate all of my worldly goods to give without self-pity.

ALLEGIANCE - My love and my devotion.

TO THE FLAG - Our standard; Old Glory, a symbol of Freedom; wherever she waves there is respect. Because your loyalty has given her a DIGNITY that shouts FREEDOM is everybody's job.

OF THE UNITED - That means that we have all come together.

STATES - Individual communities that have united into 48 great states. Forty eight individual communities with pride, dignity and purpose, all divided with imaginary boundaries, yet united to a common and that is Love of Country

OF AMERICA AND TO THE REPUBLIC - A state in which sovereign power is invested in representatives chosen by the people to govern. And government is the people; and it's from the people to the leaders, not from the leaders to the people!

FOR WHICH IT STANDS ONE NATION - One nation-meaning, so blessed by God,

INDIVISIBLE - Incapable of being divided.

WITH LIBERTY - Which is freedom; the right of power to live one's own life, without threats, fear, or some sort of retaliation.

AND JUSTICE - the principle, or qualities, of dealing fairly with others.

FOR ALL - For all: which means women, men, girls and boys. It's as much your country as it is mine.

Now let me hear you recite the Pledge of Allegiance: I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands; one nation, indivisible with liberty and justice for all.

Since I was a child, two states have been added to our country and two words have been added to our Pledge; **UNDER GOD**. Would it not be a pity if someone said now it is a prayer and should be eliminated from schools? Red Skelton always closed his program with Goodnight and may God bless. Mr. Skelton was a fantastic Christian and a great American who is now in the arms of our Lord God Jesus Christ.

Fred Kriete

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In the Kitchen...

1 tablespoon oil
1/4 cup onion, finely chopped
1/4 cup green pepper, finely chopped
1/4 cup celery, finely chopped

Smothered Chicken

1 lb. boneless, skinless chicken breasts
3/4 oz. pkg. mushroom gravy mix
12 oz. can evaporated milk

Heat oil in a skillet. Sauté vegetables over medium-high heat for 2 minutes or until crisp-tender. Add chicken; cook for 6 to 7 minutes per side until golden. Blend together gravy mix and milk, stir into skillet. Bring to a boil; reduce heat, cover and simmer for 15 minutes, until chicken juices run clear. To serve, spoon gravy from pan over chicken.

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Fish Talk

Early morning lows with a side of Rain?

Chris Cockerham, Reel Habit

Yes, this weekend you will see early morning low tides with an incoming tide the majority of the day. If we can ever get past the heat, I look for the bite to really pick up. Last week, we had a low pressure system move in from the Gulf. That change in pressure actually turned our fish on a couple days prior to the storm. You can bet that when our water temps actually stabilize, the bite's going to be the best it's been in a while. With mullet finalizing their migration, larger predatory fish will soon be triggered into feeding consistently throughout the day. So, where does that put us in this mix? Well, we are in the same pattern we've been in since early October. Continue to use mullets, quartered crab and fresh dead shrimp. It's just a matter of time before plastics and hard baits really turn on.

Where do we focus? Oyster beds during the lower tide for reds, then fish those same beds on high tide because trout will move in. They'll both acquaint the same structure at different tides and many times the same. Docks and trees are another good focus point. Currently puppy drum are showing up and they'll be in these deeper holes. Our mullet haven't completely made their fall run. With that said, there are still some flounder in our inlets. Look for them around the docks of Mayport and Nassau Sounds on the incoming tide. Remember to find clean water!

My hot spots for this weekend will include Clapboard and Simpsons Creek. This is the time of year those areas really start firing off. Make the deep holes in these creeks the focus point first. Fish the bends in the river where you find good current and eddies. Structure is going to be the key for success.

Keep an eye out for the next report as we will be discussing Sheepshead. The bites heating up and you don't want to miss out. As for the weekend, make sure to pack rain gear for those pop up storms! As always, be safe out there and I hope to see you on the water!

EVENTS AROUND TOWN

West Nassau County High School Advisory Council Organization Meeting will be held Thursday, November 5 at 4:30 p.m. in the media center; social distancing will be observed.

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Our Lady of Consolation Catholic Church will have a booth at the Railroad Day Festival on Sat., Nov. 7. We will be selling homemade crafts and homemade baked goods. Stop by and pick-up early Christmas gifts as well as buy a chance to win a beautiful yard nativity set. See you there!

Callahan Lions Club Turkey Shoot happening every Saturday at 6:30 p.m. at the Lions Club Building on US Hwy. 1, Callahan.

JUST MY OPINION

Roger R. West

As I have said in the past, I always write my column on Mondays. So as I sit here today, I have no clue as to what we as a nation are facing as you all read this. Did President Trump prevail and defeat the socialist party or are we just a couple of months away from becoming the United Socialist States of America?

If President Trump won, then we are on course for several certainties. We can expect a robust economy through the next four years, our 2nd Amendment Rights protected, our Religious Freedom protected and possibly greater things than we can even imagine, and of course more democrat harassment. I can only imagine the liberal heads exploding all across the country, lol. I'm certain there will be the democratic peaceful protests occurring in the large democrat controlled cities with their peaceful burning down businesses and looting every store in sight. The only difference I see if this happens due to President Trump's re-election is that he will nip it in the butt rather quickly.

On the other hand, if Harris/Biden wins, I do not see the conservative base

burning down their neighborhoods. When they (Socialist Democrats) start their destroying of our God given rights, attempting to do away with the 2nd Amendment and other guaranteed rights, then watch out! They will have a fight on their hands like none of us have witnessed in our lives. There will be an uprising of Biblical Proportions and those little shields and helmets worn by the Antifa wimps aren't going to protect them at all. When they tread upon the true patriots of this great land of ours, they are going to awaken a giant that they will regret and not soon to forget.

I feel as though it all boils down to one thing. Did we as a nation thank God appropriately for what He did for America the past four years? I hold great respect for Donald J. Trump, however there is no way one man could have accomplished so many things and I mean big things without it being God working through him for us. I am prayerfully hopeful the red tide rolled all across America!

As always...that's just my opinion!

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Did We Win?

Pastor Marty Paparo, Friendship Alliance Church, Callahan



When you read this article, it will be Thursday and the election will have already happened. But, as I write it, it is Monday morning and I have no clue yet who won. Last month, I asked “will we win or lose.” And the win was based on how we love others. I hope that over this past month you have loved others well, even those who politically disagree with you. I hope that whether your candidate won or not, that this month you will not be a sore winner or sore loser. For myself, all I can say is thank God we get 2 years off of political ads on TV and social media.

Speaking of moving forward regardless of who is the resident of the White House, it’s November. It’s the month of Thanksgiving. It is really easy to get distracted by two things: preparing for Thanksgiving dinner and the deals. 1) Many of us will get distracted by the events of the day of Thanksgiving. We will worry about the trip to visit relatives or about preparing for those who will visit us. We will worry about the meal and all the preparations so the meal is just perfect. 2) Many of us will worry about finding all the right deals. We will search online and all month long compare products and prices; one store’s supply and discounts versus another’s. “Can I get a laptop with all those specs cheaper elsewhere? If I don’t buy this one now, will I miss out?”

I want to take a moment for us to remember the purpose of this holiday. Yes, Thanksgiving is about spending time with family. And yes, getting great deals is fun. But, let’s not forget the purpose. As elementary as it may sound sometimes it just needs to be said, Thanksgiving is about giving thanks. Often we forget to do that. Often we forget who we are thanking. I hear, all the time, in movie and shows people saying “I’m so thankful for...” They do not specify who they are thankful to. The truth of the matter is the ‘Who’ is a whole lot more important than the what?

This month, I want to recommend you set aside time to be thankful to God. Talk to Him, tell Him what’s on your mind. God desires to hear from you. Don’t let Thanksgiving come and go and miss the chance to give thanks to the One who has provided for all your needs. Maybe right before you eat Thanksgiving dinner you ask each person to share one thing they are thankful to God for. Or maybe each Thursday this month you ask you kids what they are thankful for. Whatever way you decide to celebrate Thanksgiving, take some time with just you and God and tell Him you are thankful.

“And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful.” Colossians 3:15 ESV

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Lisa and Tammy were both employed, had health insurance, could pay their rent and utilities and buy food. Then, the pandemic drastically changed their lives...as it did for most everyone. Lisa’s business suffered extensive losses, she couldn’t pay for her health insurance, and she needed ongoing medical care for a recent injury. Tammy not only was furloughed from her job, she also lost her health insurance and became very ill after contracting COVID-19. Both women felt alone, anxious, worried and depressed.

Lisa and Tammy represent thousands of local individuals who lost their jobs, lost their insurance that was a job benefit, and still do not know how or when they will be able to obtain affordable medical care. Thankfully, Lisa, Tammy and many others have learned about Barnabas’ Health Services, which is available to uninsured adult Nassau County residents who meet income qualifications. Barnabas’ Health Services staff provides primary medical care, mental health counseling, chronic disease management, dental services, vision screenings and assistance in

obtaining eye exams and glasses. “Providing access to quality, affordable health care to those who are uninsured is a central part of our mission, and that care has never been more important than during this pandemic,” said Wanda Lanier, Barnabas CEO. “Stress and anxiety levels are extremely high among people who now need health care and have no health insurance due to the pandemic. Our mental health counseling services are also helping people through these very difficult times.”

Tammy is thankful for the support she received from Barnabas at a difficult time when she did not know how she would handle the concurrent health and financial crises. Lisa describes the feeling of relief when she was approved for Barnabas services as “a huge weight was lifted from my shoulders” and urges others to ask for help. Barnabas offers in-person and telehealth visits for health services patients. Evening and weekend telehealth consultations are available for mental health counseling. In-person visits are available at Fernandina Beach, Callahan and Hilliard offices by appointment only during specific office hours. If you or someone you know has been affected by the pandemic, is uninsured, and needs health services, call (904) 261-7000 to apply. For more information, visit BarnabasNassau.org.



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Changes at Hilliard Parks & Recreation

My name is Gabe Whittenburg. I am a lifelong resident of Hilliard and the new Parks & Recreation Director. I am excited about the opportunity to serve the community where I am from.

My vision for Parks & Recreation is to be a vibrant hub for residents of Hilliard and surrounding communities. We want to provide 'something for everyone' and serve as a place where people can come and build a true sense of community through the use of our facilities and participation in our many programs and other activities.

Currently we are in the middle of our Youth Flag Football season. Winter Youth Basketball Registration just opened and runs through November 13 and the cost is \$60 per child. We offer multi-child discounts.

Our Gymnastics program has seen continued growth. Additionally, we have an awesome group that participates in our Silver Sneakers program Monday through Friday from 11 a.m. until noon.

Our After School Program is great for working parents who need a safe and fun environment for their children. We are always looking to expand our programs and class offerings so be on the lookout for new and exciting activities coming soon.



Not only do we have programs to fit almost everyone, we also have facilities that fit almost every need. Members enjoy access to our 24-hour fitness center. Our pool and splash pad are open from Memorial Day through Labor Day and provides a great option for those trying to beat the heat. Site of many Flashes basketball victories of the past, our town gymnasium is available for rental and is a great option for indoor events. We also have two pavilions at Buchanan Park that are available for events. Finally, our baseball ground on Oxford Street is also available for rental.

We want you to join us. Our office hours are Monday – Friday from 9 a.m. – 6 p.m. We are located in the annex building behind the Fitness Center, 37516 Oxford St., Hilliard. You can also call us at 904-845-2733 or email me anytime at gwhittenburg@townofhilliard.com. Finally, keep up to date on the happenings of Parks & Rec on our Facebook page. We hope to see you soon!

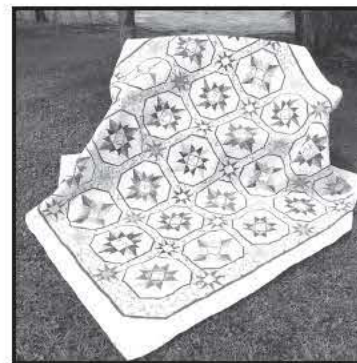
Rudd Selected as Auction Person of the Year

Jonathan Rudd, of Callahan, was recently named FIADA Auction person of the year. Jonathan has been with ACV Auctions for over a year and a half as Regional Director of Sales in the Florida region. He has extensive knowledge and background in the automotive industry.

This year has been a whirlwind for all of us but Jonathan kept his team positive and helped come up with creative solutions to keep people safe. We weren't the only ones who were noticing his accomplishments, as he was named Florida Independent Automobile Dealer Association (FIADA) "Auction Person of the Year." The Florida Independent Automobile Dealers Association, Inc., known as



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According to Florida Statute 197.122 Lien of taxes; application. – All owners of property are held to know that taxes are due and payable annually and are responsible for ascertaining the amount of current and delinquent taxes and paying them before April 1 of the year following the year in which taxes are assessed.

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This notice is pursuant to, and in compliance of, one or more subsections of the Florida Statutes as found in Title XIV Chapter 197.

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Callahan Denies New Cell Tower

Dawn S. West

The Callahan Town Council met Monday night for their first meeting of November. Mayor Matthew Davis read a proclamation to Mrs. Caitlyn M. Hygema on behalf of her courageous act a couple of months ago relating to one of her students. The proclamation included that Mrs. Hygema has been a teacher at Lighthouse Christian School since 2018 and enjoys being a Christian Minister making an impact on the next generation every day; her assertiveness to her students showed her to be highly instrumental in averting a potentially harmful situation to her school, faculty and staff. Following the reading of the proclamation the mayor proclaimed November 2, 2020, Caitlin M. Hygema Day in honor of being a Heroic Teacher for School Safety.

The next presentation was by Joseph Michal Donahue, representing Callahan Boy Scout Troop 351. Donahue shared that our scout troop has had to make some creative decisions to continue to accumulate points for their badges. "We adopted 1 Warrior Drive, as a community project to keep clean and maintained," said Donahue. "Attending this meeting is also adding service



Shown is Caitlin Hygema with Callahan Mayor Matthew Davis.

hours for our troop. We are trying to make funds to attend our winter camp. The camp is \$250 per member. We are asking for your support on our behalf."

Council President Ken Bass advised the troop that a resolution had to be approved for the council to make a donation. "We will have one at our next meeting," said Bass.

Tracy Stocksdales, representing the Nassau County Chamber of Commerce,

advised the council that he is the acting Chairman Elect and is a Callahan resident. "We wanted to share that there are several local people that serve on the chamber board and we would love for the Town of Callahan to have a representative to join our meetings," said Stocksdales. "We have Emily Bomgardner, Lynda Smith, George Spicer, etc. We have been working hard during the pandemic and trying to help out our businesses as much as we can. Next Tuesday, November 10 we will be distributing supplies to local businesses from 9-11 a.m. at the Depot. Please call the Chamber at (904) 261-3248 for more information."

The first order of business was first reading on two ordinances, the first was Ordinance 2020-005 which concerned approving the town's updated Comprehensive Plan. Councilwoman Janet Shaw advised the council to think about how long they have worked on this plan and if you change part of it for one person, you will have to change it again for another. The council approved the ordinance on first reading.

The second ordinance was Ordinance 2020-009 which concerned approving the placement of a cell tower in the Community Highway District. "We appreciate the council being open minded and working with us on this project," said Jay Shirer, contractor for the tower. "This tower will accommodate up to 4 wireless providers with just one tower."

"Why would you want a 16-story

tower in our town? It's not an industrial area. Is there not anywhere else it can go?" asked Paul Schwend, local business owner. "A 16-story tower is going to ruin our city. We don't need this in our community."

"Why couldn't it go behind the Depot? Can't it go somewhere else around town?" said Bass.

"We have worked hard to make Callahan beautiful," said Jaqueline Fleming. "Where are other places to put it? We must keep up with our vision to beautify our city."

A motion to accept was made by Councilman David Mellecker but no second was made. The ordinance died for lack of a second to the motion.

Resolution 2020-R10 was approved which concerned donating \$500 to the West Nassau County Relay for Life Event.

Resolution 2020-R11 was also approved which concerned donating \$300 to the Take Stock in Children Program.

The council approved donating the old American LaFrance Fire Truck to The Anchor Church. The town had a prospective buyer however he never came through. The church requested the truck just for looks. The truck no longer runs and the pumps don't work either.

Currently, the town has collected \$3350 towards the Out with a Boom Fireworks display.

The next meeting of the council will be Monday, November 16 at 7 p.m.

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Hilliard Veterans Appreciation Ceremony Saturday

One more thing to love about small towns... they continue to honor our Veterans! This Saturday, November 7, the Hilliard Veterans Appreciation Ceremony will be held at the American Legion on Henry Smith Road. All Veterans, young and old, are encouraged to attend and be honored for your service. The event will begin at 10 a.m. but a meet & greet will begin at 9 a.m. with coffee and orange juice. As an extra special treat, caps from each War era will be given to the first 8 Veterans registered from each era. Congressional flags will be presented to the oldest Veteran, the youngest Veteran and the Veteran with the most time served.



Blood One will also be onsite from 8:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. for voluntary donations. The Franklin brothers (Bobby, Carrol and Billy Joe) will have their Military tent and memorabilia to visit and walk through. A barbecue lunch will be served to everyone beginning at 11 a.m.

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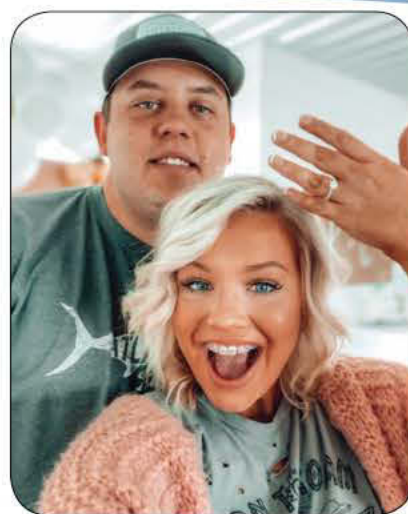
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Flashes Roll Past Knights



Holden McMillen

Fresh of their thrilling victory of Fernandina Beach, the Hilliard Flashes traveled to Ormond Beach to battle the Halifax Academy Knights. The Flashes got off to an electric start when D.J. Coston returned the opening kickoff 85 yards for the score. With a missed extra point, the Flashes jumped out to an early 6-0 lead. After that, the momentum leveled off as neither team could get anything going offensively as the 1st quarter came to a close. The action started to pick back up for Hilliard. After forcing a Knights punt, the Flashes got back going on offense using the legs of Coston. Coston sprung out to daylight this time with a 52-yard run. With a failed 2-point conversion, the Flashes extended the lead to 12-0. The Knights responded by using their aerial attack with a 50-yard touchdown pass. After a failed 2-point try, the Flashes saw their lead cut in half, 12-



6. But, it didn't last very long as Jason Sheffield returned the ensuing kickoff 80 yards for the score. With Coston's run, the Flashes went into halftime with an 18-6 lead.

In the 3rd quarter, the offensive explosion was on full display for the Flashes. Coston continued to have a field day with the Knights defense, this time with a 35-yard run. With the 2-point conversion successful, the Flashes extend the lead to 26-6. To cap off an

impressive drive, freshman quarterback Rocco Miranda scored his first career varsity touchdown, connecting with Carson Newkirk for a 5-yard score. With a failed 2-point try, the Flashes kept rolling, extending the lead 32-6. To put the finishing touches on an amazing quarter, Miranda continued, connecting with C.J. Northern, who shook off 5 would be tacklers for an 80-yard score. With a successful 2-point try, the Flashes ended the 3rd quarter with a 42-6 lead. Because the Flashes ran the score in the 3rd quarter, the game resorted to running clock. The Flashes continued to have their way with the Knights, as Braydon Holley punched it in into the end zone from 4 yards out. With Miranda finding Nathanael "Gloves" Vroman for the 2-point conversion, the Flashes continued to dominate as they rolled past the Knights 50-6. With the win, the Flashes improve to 7-0, and one win away from securing their first undefeated season in school history.

Offensively, the Flashes put up 324 yards of total

for 80 yards and a touchdown; Malik Farahkhan had 1 catch for 13 yards, and Carson Newkirk had a catch for 5 yards and a touchdown.

Defensively, the Flashes had 14 sacks, -68 yards rushing, and 126 yards total. Newkirk led the charge on defense with 6 tackles, 1.5 sacks, and a pass breakup; D.J. Blake had 5 tackles and 2 sacks; Brantley Hengerer had 5 tackles and a sack; and Kolby Dybalski, Coston and Colton Conner each had 3 tackles.

The Flashes close out the regular season this Friday night celebrating Homecoming. The Flashes will host the Zarephath Academy Eagles with a 7 p.m. kickoff. The Middle School homecoming will be observed prior to



offense with 226 of those yards on the ground. D.J. Coston led the charge with 11 carries for 159 yards and 2 touchdowns in addition to his 85-yard kickoff return for a touchdown; Braydon Holley joined with 6 carries for 53 yards and a touchdown; Miranda had 2 carries for 7 yards and went 3/3 for 98 yards and 2 touchdowns; C.J. Northern had 1 catch

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BETHANY EPISCOPAL CHURCH, HILLIARD, will be holding their **Annual Fall Bazaar,** Nov. 21 from 8 a.m. – 1 p.m., Saturday, before the week of Thanksgiving. The Episcopal Church Women (ECW) are scheduling vendors for outside booths. Rental size is for one parking space at \$20. Please contact: Kathy @ Ravishinrubycosign@aol.com or Janice @ windthruthtrees@gmail.com. 110320

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Former Georgia Police Officer Sentenced to Prison

U.S. District Judge Harvey E. Schlesinger has sentenced Jason Kelly Register, 42, of Woodbine, Georgia, to 10 years in federal prison for conspiracy to distribute 50 grams or more of methamphetamine. Register had pleaded guilty on October 23, 2019. Register was employed as a police officer in Camden County Georgia from June 19, 2006 to December 12, 2010 and Darien Georgia from October 22, 2012 to September 16, 2013.



In mid-August 2018, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, along with the Nassau County Sheriff's Office (NCSO), began investigating Brian Russell Schell, Brian Paul Davis and Leslie Ericka Lewis for distributing methamphetamine in Nassau and Duval counties. Throughout the course of the investigation, an officer, acting in an undercover capacity, made controlled purchases of methamphetamine from Schell, Davis, and Lewis. Agents learned that Davis's source of supply was Register and on October 2, 2018, the agents conducted two controlled phone calls to Register placing an order for 3 ounces of methamphetamine. Register indicated that he was on his way, but that he only had two ounces. NCSO deputies stopped Register for a traffic

violation, and he had a firearm in his waistband. A K-9 was deployed around the vehicle, gave a positive alert to the presence of illegal drugs, and a subsequent search revealed a marijuana grinder, scales, marijuana, fentanyl patches, hypodermic needles, and approximately 70 grams of methamphetamine. Throughout the course of

the conspiracy, Register was accountable for distributing approximately 250 grams of methamphetamine.

Schell, Davis, and Lewis previously pleaded guilty and were sentenced for their roles in this case. Schell was sentenced to 30 months in federal prison, Davis was sentenced to 6 years in federal prison, and Lewis was sentenced to 4 years in federal prison.

This case was investigated by the Nassau County Sheriff's Office and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives. It was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Beatriz Gonzalez.

"We continue to work closely with our federal partners to keep our community as safe as possible from these poison peddlers who prey on the addiction of others for profit," said Sheriff Bill Leeper.

POLICE REPORTS

Names, Addresses and all information appearing in the Police Reports are taken from the Sheriff's Department files and do not necessarily indicate guilt, only that arrests were made or charges were filed.

Tuesday, October 27

Misty Lorraine Simmons, 37, 37331 Cody Circle, Hilliard: Battery Domestic Violence

Amy Leigh Overstreet, 45, 273608 Murree Road, Hilliard: Violation of Probation Possession of Cocaine

Wednesday, October 28

Michael Copeland Parramore, 35, 43436 Ratliff Road, Callahan: Duval County Warrant Driving While License Suspended/Revoked Knowingly

Saturday, October 31

Herman Leston Prescott, 57, 33685 Woods Lane, Callahan: Disorderly Intoxication

Monday, November 1

Michael Chad Sparkman, 34, 36457 Willie Hodges Road, Hilliard: Possession of Controlled Substance with Intent to Sell; Possession of Methamphetamine

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Justin Lee Dawley, 37, of Callahan, passed away on October 16, 2020. He was born on February 6, 1983 in Naples, Florida, to Donald Dawley and Tami Maiolica. Justin enjoyed fishing, hunting, restoring knives and being outdoors. Justin had a very creative mind. He loved taking apart and putting little electronics back together and he was also an excellent drawer and tattoo artist. He will be dearly missed by all who knew him. Justin is preceded in death by his father; his grandfather Richard Carl Ostrander; sister Charity Dawley Anderson; and Aunt DeDe Lihach.

Justin leaves behind his mother Tami Maiolica; brother Devin Dawley; brother-in-law James Anderson; half-brother Lance Dawley; half-sister Donna Dawley; uncles and aunts Rick (Lorrie) Ostrander and Vicky (Jack) Kalavitis; cousins Giani Kalavitis, Nikki Kalavitis, Peter Lihach, Michael Lihach and Alex Lihach; nephews and nieces Dominick Dawley, Isaiah Dawley, Desmond Anderson, Carmin Anderson and Jordan Anderson.

The family will receive friends Friday, November 6 from 4:30-6 p.m. prior to a celebration of life service beginning at 6 p.m. at Nassau Funeral Home.

Arrangements by Nassau Funeral Home, Callahan, 904-879-1770.

Visit www.nassaufh.com to sign the family's guest book.

TRISTAN ROGER KLEPZIG

Tristan Roger Klepzig, 22, passed away on October 30, 2020. He was born July 15, 1998 in Leesburg, Florida. Tristan was a senior at UNF in the Mechanical Engineering Program and was scheduled to graduate in May 2021. During childhood, the family moved with

work to many places including Central Florida, Albuquerque, NM and Fayetteville, NC. During these moves so many family friendships were made that have lasted until this day. Prior to college, Tristan attended West Nassau High School and graduated in 2016.

Memories of Tristan will be cherished forever by his loving family and large circle of friends, both far and near. Tristan loved to work summers in Iowa de-tasseling corn with a large group of young friends belonging to his church and as a result he made many special friendships. Those who knew and loved Tristan will forever remember and miss his dry sense of humor, and positive, care-free attitude. He enjoyed basketball, running, diving, chess, reading books and spending time with friends and family. Tristan loved spiritual fellowship with many close friends and had a very soft and loving spirit. He was a true light and inspiration to those around him.

Tristan is survived by his parents, James and Sarah (Jones) Klepzig; his brother Caleb (Jenna) Klepzig; sister Claire Klepzig; grandparents Dennis and JoAnn Klepzig; grandparents Steve and Kathy Miller; great-grandmother Gretchen Peck; and many other relatives. Tristan is preceded in death by his grandfather Alan Jones.

Services will be held on Saturday, November 7 at Outdoor Life Farms, 542201 SR 115 (Lem Turner Road), Callahan. The family will receive friends from 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. with the funeral service immediately following. A private graveside service for immediate family will be held at Beaches Memorial Park Cemetery in Atlantic Beach.

Arrangements by Nassau Funeral Home, Callahan, 904-879-1770.

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OBITUARIES

JUSTIN ALLAN MORGAN

Justin Allan Morgan, 34, of Woodbine, passed away Monday, October 26, 2020, at Baptist Medical Center Nassau in Fernandina Beach, after a brief illness. Mr. Morgan was born in Jacksonville, to Russell Morgan, Jr. and Lisa Marie Moore Morgan and made Camden County his home for most of his life. He was a graduate of the Camden County High School Class of 2004 and was a contractor with J.C. Morgan Construction. He was a good friend to many people and a big tender-hearted teddy bear. He was an avid Georgia Bulldogs Fan that loved to hunt and fish spending lots of time enjoying his passion for the outdoors. He is preceded in death by his paternal grandparents Russell, Sr. and Ernestine Morgan.

Justin is survived by his wife, Ashley Morgan of Woodbine; two children Jayce Morgan and Kallen Morgan; his mother Lisa Morgan of Kingsland; his father Russell Morgan, Jr. of Folkston; maternal grandparents Jack and Delores Moore of Hilliard; a brother Cody Morgan of Kingsland; a brother-in-law Joey (Jade) Daniels of Folkston; and numerous aunts, uncles and other relatives.

A funeral service was held Friday, October 30 in the Allison Memorial Chapel with Rev. Keith Lloyd officiating. The family received friends prior to the service. Burial followed in Sardis Cemetery in Folkston.

Pallbearers were Billy Bumgarner, Nick Todd, John Brazell, Ryan Morgan, Jeremy Burcham, John Johnson, Chris Tyler and Michael Todd.

Allison Memorial Chapel was in charge of arrangements.

BETTY L. PASCARELLA

Mrs. Betty L. Pascarella, 81, of Yulee, passed away Sunday, November 1, 2020. She was born in Wise County, Virginia. She was the daughter of the late Elmer and Grace Cox. She received her CNA certificate in both Connecticut and Florida. She worked as a CNA for a number of years at Elim Park Baptist Home in Cheshire, Connecticut. In her younger years Betty managed the restaurant at Jax Lanes Bowling Alley in Jacksonville along with her mother the late Grace Cox. She returned to waitressing for several years before retiring. Her southern hospitality won the hearts of all her patrons in Connecticut. She was known by all as an energetic, loving and giving person who treated everyone with the same selfless kindness.

She was a loving mother and grandmother. She loved spending time with her children and grandchildren. They kept her young at heart teaching her new dances and all about technology today. Betty loved music and dancing. It was the love of dance that brought her and her late husband Joseph Pascarella together. While attending a dance at the St. Johns Bluff Road Armory, she asked Joseph to dance and the love story began that lasted over 43 years.

She was a member of St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Mission. She loved her church family dearly.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Joseph who passed away in 2019; siblings Joann McCoy, Elizabeth Little and Billy Cox; daughters Sherry Lynn Cornell and Lynn Ruggiero; son Terry Harrington; and grandchildren Johnny Cornell and Sherry Cornell.

She leaves behind her children Donna Pascarella and Louis Pascarella, both of New Haven, Connecticut, Geraldine (Jim) Shaffer of Conneaut, Ohio, Robert Little of Yulee, Regina Pascarella of New Haven, Connecticut, Tammy (Mark) DeLaCruz of

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Callahan, Malvira (Michael) Pecor of East Haven, Connecticut; Yvonne (Richard) Rice of Jacksonville and Joey Pascarella of Charlotte Hall, Maryland; brother-in-law Vincent (Lorraine) Pascarella; sister-in-law Annette (Phillip) Boeding of Madison, Connecticut; she also leaves behind 28 grandchildren; numerous great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends Thursday, November 5 from 9-10 a.m. with funeral services beginning at 10 a.m. in the Burgess Chapel of Oxley-Heard. She will be laid to rest beside her husband in Jacksonville National Cemetery.

Please share your memories and condolences at www.oxleyheard.com.
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JAMES 'ALTON' STROUD



James 'Alton' Stroud, 82, of Hilliard, transitioned to his eternal home with our Lord and Savior on October 30, 2020. He was born on March 16, 1938, and is the oldest of five children born to the late Thurman Leon Stroud and Frances Agnes Stroud.

He is predeceased by parents; a brother Jimmy Stroud; a sister-in-law Ann Stroud; a nephew Jeff Stroud; a niece Sherri Stroud Adams; and a great-niece Jessie Stroud King.

He is survived by his wife of 35 years and the love of his life, Barbara Ann Stroud; two brothers Lee (Debra) Stroud and Joseph Stroud; a sister Betty (Paul) Volkmer; his son Tony (Melody) Stroud; his daughters Tara Stroud, Cherry (Tony) Blanchard and Susan Little; and stepson Ed (Jackie) Castlen; two very special nieces, whom he considered his daughters, Shelly (Eric) Huffman and Tina Haddock; a special nephew Jason Williams; as well as other special nieces and nephews; and numerous grandchildren and great-children; whom all referred to him as "Pawpaw BB" and "Papa."

A memorial and celebration of his life will be held Thursday, November 5 at 6:30 p.m. at the First Baptist Church of Boulougne in Hilliard.

KENT D. 'COACH' WOFFORD



Kent D. 'Coach' Wofford, 85, of Callahan, unexpectedly passed away Friday, October 30, 2020. He was born on December 31, 1934 in Macon, Georgia to Noble and Olive Wofford. He grew up in Remerton, GA a suburb of Valdosta and graduated from Valdosta High School. After serving 3 years in the United States Air Force at Hamilton Air Force Base, he returned to Valdosta to wed his sweetheart Ann Tinsley and enrolled at Georgia Southern University. Upon graduating with a teaching degree, they relocated to Jacksonville where he began his career for the next 37 years in education with the Duval County Public School system. During his career, he was a teacher at Andrew Jackson High School; Coach and Athletic Director at Oceanway Junior High; Highlands Junior High; and Assistant Principal for Community Education at Highland Elementary, Garden City Elementary and San Mateo Elementary. He was a member of Highlands United Methodist Church for over 55 years.

He is preceded in death by his parents Noble and Olive Wofford; and by his loving wife of 48 years, Ann Tinsley Wofford.

He is survived by his son Bart (Allison) Wofford; grandchildren Justin (Hannah) Wofford, Lauren Mickler and Brooks Wofford; and great-granddaughters Paisley Mickler and Leighton Mickler; his brother Audley Wofford; and a sister Angela (Johnny) Southerland; a brother-in-law Joe (Beth) Tinsley; several nieces, nephews and cousins; and a special friend Vonnie Tanner.

The family will receive friends from 10-11 a.m. Saturday, November 7 at Highlands United Methodist Church, 1955 Broward Rd, Jacksonville. The funeral service will follow at the church and conclude with graveside at Jones Cemetery in Callahan.

In lieu of flowers the family requests that donations be made to The Wounded Warrior Project: www.woundedwarriorproject.org, as he was a Veteran and proudly supported our military.

Hagan Ace Promotes Crosby to Hilliard Manager

Thomas Doby Manager of New Yulee Location

Hagan Ace Hardware would like to announce the promotion of our current assistant manager at Hilliard, Garrick Crosby, to Store Manager.

Director of Store Operations, Jacob Hagan says, "Garrick has been a valued Hagan Ace employee since February 2014. Garrick has been a part of the Nassau County community his entire life and has built great relationships with our customers in Hilliard. Garrick started in the warehouse and feed department. He has expanded his reach to purchasing for our Hunting/Ammo departments as well as proving great success with our business customers. Garrick set his sights on moving up the ranks and we are looking forward to seeing continued growth at Hilliard."

At Hagan Ace Hardware our philosophy has always been to move our people up the ranks, promoting from within when the opportunity exists and always being open to talented folks outside the company that have experiences and qualities that would be an asset to our company.

Thomas Doby, former Store Manager in Hilliard, will assume the management responsibilities at our 9th and newest location in Yulee. Thomas has worked at the Hilliard store since October 4, 2017. He has done an amazing job in Hilliard and we look forward to him taking on a new adventure with a



Garrick Crosby

ground-up store. Hagan Ace Hardware of Yulee opens to the public Friday, November 20 at 7:30 a.m.

About Hagan Ace Hardware: Hagan Ace Hardware is a member of the largest retailer-owned hardware cooperative in the industry. Hagan Ace Hardware began as a single store in 1962. Now, four generations and 58 years later, the business continues

to grow, and today has nine locations, including stores in Hilliard, Glen St. Mary, Mandarin, Orange Park, St. Augustine, St. Augustine Beach, Palatka, Green Cove Springs and opening November 2020 in Yulee. For more information on Hagan Ace Hardware, visit www.haganace.com.



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Warriors Take Down Jackson

Kyle Pipkin

Friday night the Warriors traveled to Andrew Jackson hoping for a win... task accomplished! The Warriors ended their losing streak Friday with a 24-12 victory over Jackson. It has been a trying season for the Warriors, but a win right before the last game of the season could be the momentum to help them in the playoffs.

The Warriors dominated Jackson pretty much from the start of the game. It wasn't until late in the fourth quarter that Jackson scored a garbage time touchdown. It was a game of big plays by the defense picking the ball off twice and making fourth down stops to keep Jackson from coming back in the game.

After a scoreless first quarter, Jackson got on the board first putting them up 6-0. After that, it was all Warriors the rest of the way. Just before halftime, Jackson fumbled an attempted punt and Kamden Crosby recovered. Following the fumble recovery, Conner Nobles walked in for the score. Devon McDuffie hit the extra point, putting the Warriors up 7-6 at halftime.

In the third quarter, West Nassau had a huge drive the entire length of the field and scored from the from the two-inch line. Quarterback Brady Wright took the ball ran it up the middle. This put the Warriors up 14-6. Later in the third quarter, one of the interceptions lead to a 27-yard touchdown run by Nobles to

put the Warriors up 21-6. Jackson was able to get into the end zone one final time in the fourth quarter. However, West Nassau was able to put together a drive to get within field goal range. McDuffie came in the game and put the game away with a 28-yard field goal, making the final score 24-12.

The Warriors ended the game with 228 yards rushing as a team. Nobles ended the game with 17 carries for 130 yards and 2 touchdowns. Carson Murray had a huge game for the Warriors with 2 interceptions on the night. Through the air Chaz Davis had a 107 yards on 6 catches. Wright ended the night with 131 passing yards on 9 completions, also running 8 times for 32 yards and a touchdown. McDuffie was 3 for 3 on the night with extra points and 28-yard field goal. It was a great game for the junior kicker that has had a very good season this year!

Defensively, the Warriors had a bend but not break defense. Although Jackson was able to move the ball on them, they did not give up. They came up with huge fourth down stops and timely interceptions that helped to keep Jackson out the end zone. Time after time they made tackles in the backfield, totaling 8 tackles for loss as a team. Conner Nobles lead the charge with 11 tackles; Christian Bailey had 10 tackles; Carson Murray had 9 tackles and David Nugent had 5 tackles. Kamden Crosby and Russel Weeks both recovered a



Tax Deed Auctions Going Online in Nassau County

The Nassau County Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller's office will be implementing a new online auction platform for tax deed auctions! Nassau County has used the RealAuction platform for its Foreclosure sales for the past several years and is now expanding to allow Tax Deed bidders to enjoy the same convenience of bidding remotely.

Bidders who register on the RealAuction website will be able to see upcoming sales, place bids, and monitor auctions and their own bidder accounts. Funds for deposits and winning bids can be paid by cash, certified check/money order, or electronically by wire transfer.

To prepare our customers for

this transition, RealAuction will be conducting a live online bidder training on Monday, November 16 at 2 p.m.

If you are interested in attending the online training session, please call RealAuction customer service at 1-877-361-7325, or email customerservice@realauction.com to register for the event.

Beginning November 16, customers can visit the RealAuction website at www.nassau.realtaxdeed.com for FAQ and bidder registration.

Nassau County's first online auction is scheduled for Tuesday, December 8, 2020.



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The Nest has two locations, Jacksonville and in Yulee. Appointments can be made by calling 904-619-4914. The items currently needed are listed below. If you can donate any of the items from the list you may bring the items to the Westside Journal office, 450034 SR 200, Callahan. Items needed are: Diapers size 3 and 4; Pacifiers; Bottles; and any kind of Baby Formula.

fumble each for the Warriors.

This Friday, the Warriors will host Ridgeview for the last regular season game with a 7 p.m. kickoff! Hopefully, the Warriors can build on this to

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JV Flashes End Season with a Loss

Holden McMillen

Looking to end the season on a high note, the Hilliard JV Flashes hosted the Lanier County Bulldogs last Thursday night. The Bulldogs began the game with the ball and used the ground game to their advantage, marching down the field and threatening to score. The Flashes defense stood tall and put an end to the Bulldogs advance. After that, both teams could not get anything going. The Bulldogs were able to get the run game going for a 17-yard touchdown run. With a blocked extra point, the Bulldogs jumped out to an early 6-0 lead as the 1st quarter came to a close. It was more of the same heading into the 2nd quarter. The game resorted to being a power struggle defensively. The Bulldogs used the short field to continue their roll, again using the run game for a 15-yard score. With the extra point good, the Bulldogs extended their lead to 13-0. Looking for any answers offensively, the Flashes relied on their run game to get something going. Using the legs of Braydon Holley to churn out big runs, the Flashes threatened to score but the drive stalled as the Bulldogs



intercepted inside their 5 yard line. The Flashes used the defense to get something on the board when Colton Conner made a tackle in the end zone for a safety. The Flashes went into halftime trailing 13-2.

In the second half, it was all about defense. Not much of anything went on throughout the game however, the Flashes did create a turnover when Conner forced a fumble that was recovered by Tucker Pickett. The Flashes could not do anything with the turnover ended the season with a 13-2 loss.

Offensively, Holley led the charge on the ground with 25 carries for 118 yards; and Prestin O'Quinn went 2/9 for 6 yards and 2 interceptions.

Defensively, Billy Moore led the charge with 6 tackles; Chance Morgan had 5 tackles and a pass breakup; Colton Conner had 4 tackles and a forced fumble; and Trenton Haddock, Ricky Vining and Matthew Goolsby all had 4 tackles each.

The Hilliard JV Flashes ended the season with a 5-2 record. Go Flashes!



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