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“BECAUSE OF THE LORD’S GREAT LOVE WE ARE NOT CONSUMED, FOR HIS COMPASSIONS NEVER FAIL. THEY ARE NEW EVERY MORNING; GREAT IS YOUR FAITHFULNESS.” - LAMENTATIONS 3: 22-23

## Veterans are Special...Meet James Hendricks

*Dawn S. West*

Mr. James Hendricks has been a Callahan resident for many years. Fortunately, for me, I have known him as long as I have lived here. He celebrated his 90th birthday on July 9. He has always been a giving man who has been on the helping end of many people through the years. Mr. Hendricks was born in Paulding County, Georgia on July 9, 1929. He attended Hiram High School in Hiram, Georgia and graduated at age 16. In 1946, Georgia schools only had 11 grades. After high school graduation, he attended Berry College in Rome, Georgia for one year.

“After college, I moved to Jacksonville, to live with my two sisters, whose husbands were in the Navy, and found employment at the Jacksonville Naval Air Station. They had me in charge of PAL (Prisoners at Large). That wasn’t really what I signed up for so that was short lived! But instead of joining the US Navy, I chose to join the US Army National Guard at age 18,”



said Mr. Hendricks. “We joined as a unit and were deployed as a unit.”

The unit deployed to Korea from 1951-1953 with the Head Quarter 5th Air Force Anti-Aircraft Artillery. “We left in December 1951 for Korea,” continued Mr. Hendricks. “Fortunately, most of the war was over. We returned home in 1953.” After discharge from the service, he began his career as an Industrial Engineer at Naval Air Station Jacksonville until his retirement in 1984 after 32 years of

service.

In 1983 he returned to Korea on duty. Many things had changed over the years however, people still, for the most part, walk everywhere they go. “The country has improved but it is still a backwards country,” said Hendricks.

“I’ve been so blessed and thankful for the life I have,” said Mr. Hendricks. “It is very frustrating to constantly see

the attacks on our country by our own people in Washington. There have been many changes in my lifetime, some good, some bad. I’ve just learned to adapt. God has blessed me so much with a loving family and good people.”

He still enjoys farming, growing blueberries, blackberries, grapes and a plant nursery. He also has 30 head of Black Angus cattle. He is a gospel singer and sings every Friday night at the Woodbine Opry. He also sings at Thomas Creek Baptist Church in Callahan. He loves to sing both gospel

and bluegrass music. As you can see, Mr. Hendricks doesn’t let much keep him down!

He has five children, one daughter and four sons: Kathy, Tony, Steve, Danny and John. He is currently a member of the American Legion Post #401 in Hilliard, Masonic Lodge #32 in Callahan and the West Nassau Historical Society.



**CALLAHAN**

**HILLIARD**

Thursday night, November 7, the West Nassau AFJROTC will host their annual Veterans Appreciation Ceremony at 6 p.m. in the West Nassau High School Cafeteria. The event is held every year prior to Veterans Day. All Veterans and their families are encouraged to attend this special event in your honor.

All veterans are asked, when they enter, to sign in with their name, branch of service and years served. Each Veteran will be recognized at the event with their branch of service. There will be a dinner, special music and a special presentation by the WN ROTC. Each table will be joined by a member of the ROTC to sit and visit with Veterans and their families. This is a great way to honor the many Veterans in our community for their service to our country!

Saturday, November 9, the Town of Hilliard will host their Annual Veterans Appreciation Ceremony at the American Legion Post 401 in Hilliard, located on Henry Smith Road. The event will begin at 9 a.m. with a meet and greet time to sign in and visit. All Veterans are asked to sign in with their name, branch of service and years served. The actual ceremony will begin at 10 a.m. with special testimonies from local veterans, flag presentations for the oldest Veteran, youngest Veteran and the most years served Veteran. The Franklin brothers will have their military tent on site to walk through the special display along with some military memorabilia to look at.

A barbecue lunch will begin at 11 a.m. for everyone to enjoy. This is a very special event to honor those who have served and are serving our country!

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# A Word From the Publisher

I'm not really sure how we are quickly approaching the end of another year... but we are. There are so many events happening that I just wanted to highlight a few that I am aware of. These events, all of them, take a lot of work to put together. I know we can't make it to everything but hopefully this will be a little help to everyone so you can make sure and choose the ones you don't want to miss. I'm sure I will probably miss a few but I will continue to try to post each one in the issues that follow as the event gets closer!

November is a crazy, busy month, so put on your skates and let's roll! This Thursday, November 7 is the WNAFJROTC Veterans Appreciation Ceremony at 6 p.m. at the West Nassau High School cafeteria. This event is to honor all our Veterans, past and present, for their service. There will be a dinner and special presentations and the event is free.

This Friday & Saturday, the Boy Scouts will hold their Annual Yard Sale Fundraiser at the Callahan Masonic Lodge beginning at 8 a.m. each day. This fundraiser is their largest and is held to help pay for their summer camp along with other events throughout the year.

This Saturday, November 9 is the Town of Hilliard Veterans Appreciation Ceremony at 10 a.m. This event is held every year to also honor our Veterans. There will be a special guest speaker, recognition of oldest and youngest Veterans and a barbecue lunch. The event is free.

Also Saturday, the Blank Check Society & VFW Post 10095 will hold their Fundraiser for Wreaths Across America. They will hold a Pork Butt Cook-off (which starts early in the morning), Blood Drive and pork dinners for \$5. The event will begin at 1 p.m. at the VFW Post off of

Eastwood Road, across from the Air Park in Hilliard.

Saturday, November 16 the West Nassau Historical Society will hold their Hobos, Hot Rods & Heroes Veterans Appreciation Festival & Car Show from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. at the Callahan Depot. This is a fundraiser event for the WNHS. There will be arts & crafts vendors, kid play area, live entertainment, FAA Air Traffic Control Exhibit and a Car Show.

Saturday, November 16, the Callahan Town & Keep Nassau Beautiful Clean-up will be held at the Junior Boatright County Building on Mickler Street beginning at 9 a.m. Volunteers are encouraged to attend to help make Callahan beautiful. A lunch will follow for volunteers at 11:30 a.m.

Saturday, November 23, the Callahan Farmer's Market will be open at the Depot beginning at 9 a.m. until noon. There are numerous vendors and lots of fresh vegetables and beautiful handmade items to choose from!

Saturday, November 23, Callahan Methodist Church will host the Community Thanksgiving Dinner for senior citizens at noon at the church. All seniors are encouraged to attend.

Also Saturday, November 23, the Concerned Citizens of Hilliard will host their Community Thanksgiving Dinner for seniors at the Westside Senior Center on Ingham Road at 11 a.m. All seniors are encouraged to attend.

Let's not forget Thanksgiving is Thursday, November 28! Such a special day to give thanks to the Lord for our many, many blessings! How blessed we are!

Have a blessed week!

*Dawn S. West*

# Letters to the Editor



## Keep the Faith!

Dear Editor,

Cheer up, keep the faith Roger, you are in the good company of a majority of people who are also sick of trying to understand the constant lies driven by hatred. Some don't know that extreme hatred causes blindness of the mind. Our congress has refused to do their job because they know they can't defeat this president and God willing, the silent majority will win again!

Pray for our country,  
Darin Hawkins

## Thank you!

Dear Editor,

A little overdue but a lot of gratitude goes into this thank you to our wonderful community of Callahan. On September 28, the Callahan Chapter No. 154, Order of the Eastern Star, held a community event at the Callahan Masonic Lodge behind the Town Hall.

We wish to express our sincere gratitude to the multiple businesses around Callahan who allowed us to tape up the flyers informing all of the OneBlood Blood Drive, Masonic Child ID Program, Wreaths Across America and Yard Sale.

We wish to thank Stephanie Knagge, Town Clerk, Town of Callahan, for being on hand with her spin the wheel and prizes, and

for making herself available to the residents for their concerns or questions. And thanks to her son for helping with the snow cones. We wish to thank the Sheriff's Department for sending two of their officers for a show and tell and conversation with residents as well. We could not have had the success we did without each and every one. We are hopeful to turn this into an annual event and OneBlood has already sent us a date to consider for next September.

A recap of the event: Blood Drive goal was 10 and we had 11; Children IDs (at no cost to families) 15; Wreaths Across America: we can pay for 4 more wreaths for Florida's National Cemeteries; Relay for Life, Wanda Nichols had multiple sign ups to assist with jumpstarting her event; the Yard Sale was a little slow, but remaining items were donated and delivered to God's Ministries behind the CVS in Callahan. All in all, a wonderful success, and we look forward to having this event again next year. So again, on behalf of Callahan Chapter No. 154, Order of the Eastern Star, a great big THANK YOU to all who helped make this Community/Public Awareness Event a success. You are appreciated more than these words can say.

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## Butterfly Gardening Class Held

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## New Soccer Program at HMS



Hilliard Middle School Athletic Director Kyler Wilson is happy to announce the start of the new soccer program at HMS. "We are very excited about the program and just wanted to share information about the development of the program," said Wilson. The girls coach is Donald Walker and the boys coach is Jeremy Neidhart. The teams will begin play November 15.

## EVENTS AROUND TOWN

The West Nassau High School Advisory Council monthly meeting will be held Thursday, November 14 in the media center at 4 p.m.

The American Legion Post 401 plays BINGO every Thursday at 6 p.m. at their post, 37405 Henry Smith Rd., Hilliard. For more information call 845-7300.

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## JUST MY OPINION

Roger R. West

The following has been circulating social media since June. It has been credited to different authors and no one seems to know who actually penned it. Snoopes.com has attempted to soften the content but basically they are forced to note it is accurate. In any sense, it is a good read that I just had to share.

1. The House can pass articles of impeachment over the objections of the Republicans and refer to the Senate for trial.

2. The Senate will conduct a trial. There will be a vote, and the Republicans will vote unanimously, along with a small number of Democrats, to not convict the President. Legally, it will all be over at that point.

3. However, during the trial, and this is what no one is thinking about right now, the President's attorneys will have the right to subpoena and question ANYONE THEY WANT! That is different than the special counsel investigation, which was very one-sided. So, during the impeachment trial, we will be hearing testimony from James Comey, Peter Strzok, Lisa Page, Bruce Ohr, Glenn Simpson, Donna Brazille, Eric Holder, Loretta Lynch, Christopher Steele, Hillary Clinton, John Brennan, James Clapper, and a whole host of other participants in this whole sordid affair and the ensuing cover-up activities. A lot of dirt will be dug up; a lot of truth will be unveiled. Finger pointing will occur. Deals will start being made, and suddenly, a lot of democrats will start being charged and going to prison. All this, because, remember, the President's team will now, for the first time, have the RIGHT to question all of these people under oath – and they will turn on each

other. That is already starting.

4. Lastly, one more thing will happen, the Senate will not convict the President. Nothing will happen to Trump. Most Americans are clueless about political processes, the law, and the Constitution. Most Americans believe that being impeached results in removal from office. They don't understand that Phase 2 is a trial in and by the Senate, where he has zero chance of conviction. Remember, the Senate is controlled by Republicans; they will determine what testimony is allowed -- and 'everything' will be allowed, including: DNC collusion with the Clinton campaign to fix the election in favor of Hillary, the creation of the Trump dossier, the cover up and destruction of emails that very likely included incriminating information. They will incriminate each other for lying to the FISA court, for spying and wire-tapping the Trump campaign, and for colluding with foreign political actors, especially George Soros. After the Senate declines to convict the President, we will have an election, and Trump will win. It will be a backlash against democrat petulance, temper tantrums, hypocrisy and dishonesty.

Even minorities will vote for Trump, because, for the first time, they will see that democrats have spent 2+ years focused on maintaining their own power, and not doing anything at all about black murders in Chicago, homelessness, opioids, and other important issues that are actually killing people. And, we will spend the following four years listening to politicians and pundits claim that the whole impeachment was rigged. So I agree, let's move on to impeachment!

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

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# How Do You Feel About Sin?

*Pastor Marty Paparo, Friendship Alliance Church, Callahan*



From 2003 to 2013, I served as Middle and High school Youth Pastor at a church in South Florida. I remember being at church council meeting and expressing my opinion about an issue in our church. When I finished speaking, the church council chairman said, "I love how Marty always presents things like he's talking to group of teenagers." At the moment, I remember feeling embarrassed or maybe offended. But, looking back today, I realize it is a gift to be able to make complex concepts simple.

Today, I will attempt to make a complex theology simple and put it into categories we can all work with. Salvation is both an event and a process. It can be broken into 3 categories (some may say 4): justification, sanctification and glorification.

Justification is what most of us grew up knowing to be salvation. It's the moment of first belief. It is when we came to Christ and accepted what He did for us. Justification is Christ putting His righteousness on us. When the Father looks at our unrighteousness, He sees Christ's righteousness. Justification (if we have a relationship with Jesus) is a past event. It gives us freedom from the penalty of sin.

Sanctification is the process of us becoming holy or set apart. Once we are saved, we are righteous, but through sanctification we become more and more practically righteous. Sanctification is happening presently in the life of the believer. It gives us freedom from the power of sin in our lives.

Glorification takes place on our last day when we enter into the presence of the father. We will no longer struggle with sin. It is an event that happens in the future. Glorification gives of freedom from the presence of sin.

Our church has been studying, for the last several months, the book of Romans. When we got to chapters 6, 7, and 8 we started talking about sanctification. This week we asked the question, "How do you feel about your sin?" The Holy Spirit, through sanctification, is in the process of making us holy. The question this week got at the idea of "am I fighting against the work of the Holy Spirit in my life?" Do I view sin the way God views it? Do I hate my sin? Do I love it? Do I give up my sin reluctantly like a person on a diet avoiding foods I really want? Do I feel like I'm missing out on "all the fun?" Do I agonize over giving up my sin? Or do I really want the Holy Spirit to do an incredible work in me?

Sometimes we forget that sin promises big and delivers small. Sure, there is a quick pleasure, but then come the consequences and the guilt. It reminds me of credit card purchases: we buy big now, but come the end of the month, that bill is coming.

Theologian Bob Deffinbaugh, speaking of what should be our opinion of our sin, said, "We should agonize as little over giving up sin as we do over taking out the trash."

This week as sin presents itself (and it will) remember the large price tag sin has and pray for the Holy Spirit to empower you.

# 4-H Club Receives Grant Funding!



The Nassau County 4-H Shooting Stars archery club members are excited to have new 3-D targets and equipment to use this year thanks to the generosity of the National Rifle Association! This organization helps many youth in Florida annually learn more about having fun in the outdoors, responsibility, and the importance of practice. The club has two members attending a State Competition. Currently this 4-H club has a maximum number of youth, but there are other clubs that will interest your child. For more information contact the Nassau County Extension Service at (904) 530-6353.

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Hilliard First Assembly of God will host Teen Challenge of Jacksonville Men on Sunday, Nov. 10 at 10 a.m. You will hear many of their testimonies and be blessed. Hilliard First Assembly of God is located south of the caution light in Hilliard.

Our Lady of Consolation Catholic Church invites all women to a free night of fun, friends and fashion; shop from 15 vendors for early Christmas Shopping; food and beverages provided. A 50/50 raffle will be held with proceeds going to Pinky Promise. Join us Friday, Nov. 15 from 3-9 p.m. at 541668 US Hwy. 1, Callahan.

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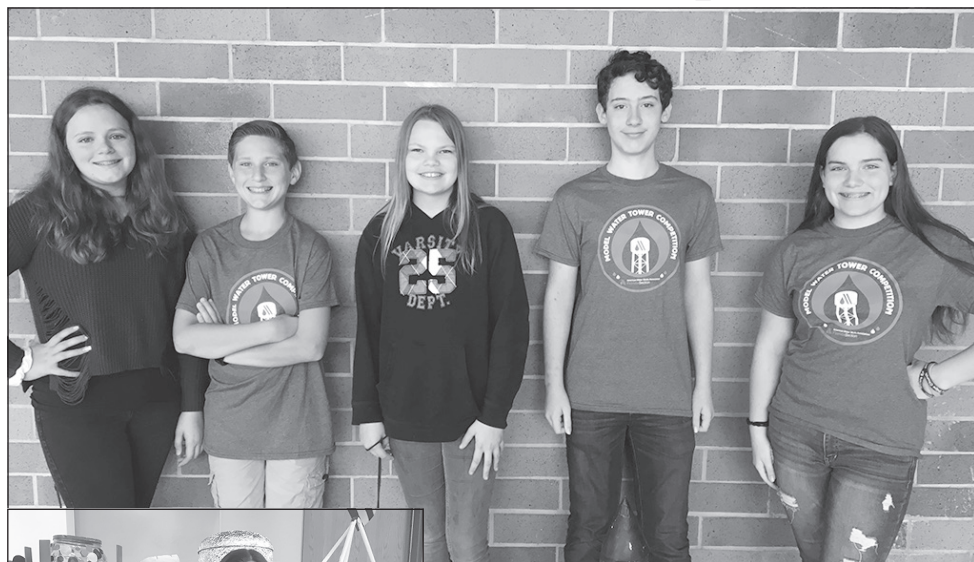
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## CMS Students Compete



Recently, five students from Callahan Middle School competed in the 9th Annual Model Water Tower Competition held at the University of North Florida. This competition introduces middle and high school students to engineering and the water profession.

Eighth grader Abby Clayton placed second in the middle school age division. Towers are judged according to four categories: cost efficiency, hydraulic efficiency, structural efficiency and design ingenuity.

Congratulations to all youth participants.

Shown (l to r) are: Caitlyn Ray, Liam Green, Alexandria Smith, Christian Nelson and Abby Clayton.

## Tywuan Lee Named 1A Player of the Year!



Congratulations to Tywuan Lee on being named the 2019-20 Region 3 District 1A Player of the Year. For the season, Lee racked up 754 yards rushing off of 112 carries and 8 touchdowns as well as having 16 catches for 300 yards and 3 touchdowns. Combined, Lee racked up 1,054 all-purpose yards and 11 touchdowns. On defense, Lee had 5 tackles, 4 interceptions and a pass breakup in his junior year. Way to go Tywuan!



## National Passport Awareness Day!

The Fernandina Beach Library has another reason to love your local library; we are celebrating National Passport Awareness Day! The Fernandina Beach Library will have extended hours for passport application processing on Saturday, November 9 from 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Appointments are strongly encouraged, but walk-ins are welcome!

For adults we can process first time applications, and renewals for passports if issued over 15 years ago. For minors 15 and under, we process first time and all renewals. We process all applications for those 16 & 17 years old as well. Has your passport been lost or stolen? Did you have a name change? We can do these also. Don't forget, now you can get a passport card in addition to the book!

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## Country Star Quilt Guild Meeting "Wobble 'til You Gobble"

Sara Aicher

Monday, November 11, the Country Star Quilt Guild will hold its monthly meeting starting at 6:30 p.m. with conversation and refreshments followed by the evening's program at 7 p.m. The meeting will be

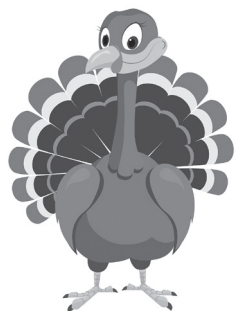
held at the First Baptist Church of Hilliard. The Thanksgiving theme "Wobble 'til You Gobble" will allow all the wonderful talented quilters



to share their skills with others. The Guild welcomes all those interested in quilts and/or quilt making to the meeting to share their skills or gather some new skills and tips.

Country Star Quilt Guild will be at Pioneer Day at Okefenokee National Wildlife Refuge on November 23 demonstrating quilting and offering a chance to win a beautiful pieced and appliqued quilt.

The Guild meets on the second Monday of each month. For more information, please visit our website at: [www.CountryStarQuilters.org](http://www.CountryStarQuilters.org).



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## Western Nassau Town Hall Meeting Next Tuesday!

Nassau County will host a Town Hall meeting on Tuesday, November 12 from 6-8 p.m. at the Nassau County Multi-Use Facility at the fairgrounds to present the Western Nassau Heritage Preservation Vision Book. On October 1, 2019, after a year and a half of community outreach and engagement, the draft Vision Book was presented to the County Planning and Zoning Board. The Vision Book was approved by the Western Nassau Heritage Preservation Committee during the October 22nd regular meeting.

We are pleased to invite the community to a family-friendly event to celebrate the work of the dedicated citizens of Western Nassau County. Join us as we reveal the top goals, objective and strategies that emerged from our community planning process. For more information, call (904) 530-6300 or email [planninginfo@nassaucountyfl.com](mailto:planninginfo@nassaucountyfl.com).

Our partners will be on hand to highlight programs and services available to the community. Children can participate in a hands-on craft activity sponsored by Nassau County Extension staff. Nassau Fire and Rescue will showcase a firetruck and rescue vehicle and distribute Safe Routes to School reflective armbands and other safety materials. Refreshments will be served following a brief welcome and project summary by Nassau County staff.

Residents will have an opportunity to speak with representatives from the Department of Health-Nassau

Nassau Transit, Micah's Place, Northeast Florida Regional Planning Council, Nassau County Emergency Management, North Florida Land Trust and others.

Beginning in 2017, the Nassau County Department of Planning and Economic Opportunity (PEO) facilitated an extensive public outreach campaign to gather input from residents, property and business owners, local agencies to craft their vision for the future. The resulting vision, provides guidelines for policy makers as they set priorities and make decisions about the future of Western Nassau. Information on the work of the Western Nassau Heritage Preservation Committee and the Vision Book can be found at [www.nassaucountyfl.com/westernnassau](http://www.nassaucountyfl.com/westernnassau).

The Nassau County Planning and Economic Opportunity Department is charged with leading long-range and current planning for the community, with a focus on technical planning, implementation and management of the Land Development Code and Comprehensive Plan, development and site plan review, and assistance to citizens, the Board of County Commissioners, County Manager and other staff, advisory boards, government agencies, and the private sector regarding growth and development in Nassau County. For more information on our Plan, Code, or current initiatives, visit: [www.nassaucountyfl.com/planning](http://www.nassaucountyfl.com/planning), call (904) 530-6300 or email: [planninginfo@nassaucountyfl.com](mailto:planninginfo@nassaucountyfl.com).

## Santa Express Starts in November

Anything can happen on the Santa Express in St. Marys. Santa Claus could perform magic. Frosty the Snowman could come alive. And it could even snow in South Georgia. On November 30, December 7, 14 and 21, the Santa Express departs four times a



day, taking passengers on a journey to Santa Land where the magic begins. Entertainment all along the way gets everyone into the holiday spirit. Then Santa comes aboard with gifts for all the good little boys and girls. Children of all ages (from 2 to 92) will enjoy the storybook ride on the rails through woodlands and over marshlands. "In previous years, the Santa Express trains filled up so fast we had to add an additional Saturday," said Barbara Ryan, entertainment director for St. Marys Express. "Of course, there's always a happy ending and passengers really enjoy the interactive experience."

Ryan expects an early sellout just like last year and hopes families will reserve their seats to avoid disappointment. "For those who yearn for an old-fashioned family tradition holiday event, this is the ticket," said Doug Vaught, Stationmaster and Narrator on the train. "Many of our families return each year to usher in their holidays by riding the Santa Express together."

Adding to the excitement of Santa for the young and young at heart is the locomotive "At The Throttle" experience. The "At The Throttle" experience gives rail fans an opportunity to actually run a diesel locomotive. Ryan said this is a once in a lifetime experience and makes a great Christmas present.

The Santa Express departs from Theatre by the Trax in St. Marys on November 30, December 7, 14 and 21 at 10 a.m., noon, 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. Each ride lasts about an hour and takes guests through scenic woodlands and marshlands to Santa Village where it makes the turnaround. Tickets are \$20 for adults and \$14 for children; children 2 and under ride free on laps. Purchase your Santa Express tickets at: [www.stmarysrailroad.com](http://www.stmarysrailroad.com) or by calling 912-200-5235.

People interested in the "At The Throttle" experience (which is \$150 per person) and groups of ten or more should call 912-729-1103.

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## HES Top Readers



Hilliard Elementary School celebrated their top readers with a pizza party with the principals. Congratulations to the top five AR readers in each grade level: Brody Rose, Karsynn Scheider, Brielle Geoghagan, Carter Haire, Waylon Johnson, Tailynn Grass, Bradley Harris, Easton King, Heath Hinson, Boaz Wollitz, Ava Bell, Jusice Alderman, Felix Borja, Charlie Johnson, Cale Powell, Aiden Horton, Jenna Kostman, Jordon Kostman, Blake Ward, Hannah Wollitz, Sara Carter, Mylee Minchew, Matthew Crump, Ian Sullivan, Cathy Le, Zachary Hinson, Triston Horton, Evan Purvis and Abigail Wood.

## Publix Donates to Barnabas

Barnabas Center recently received a grant of \$2,500 from Publix Super Markets Charities to support the agency's food program. The donation enables Barnabas to provide much-needed food for the food pantry, weekend meals for school children in need through the Meal Pack program and a mobile food pantry that helps families in west Nassau County.

In Nassau County, approximately 10,000 of our neighbors don't know where their next meals are coming from. Barnabas provides food to over 9,000 men, women and children each year who are food insecure or experiencing hunger. Thanks to its supporters, including Publix Super Markets Charities, Barnabas is helping to address hunger in Nassau County.

For more information about Publix, please visit the company website at [www.publixcharities.org](http://www.publixcharities.org).

For more information about Barnabas' programs, please visit [www.BarnabasNassau.org](http://www.BarnabasNassau.org).

Shown (l to r) are: Krista Long, Barnabas food pantry volunteer, Robert Peck, Food program Manager and Tania Yount, Chief Development Officer.



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## Genealogy Tidbits

Claude Arpen

In 1852, a young German immigrant named Frederick Lueders came to Jacksonville from Charleston, South Carolina. Lueders found Jacksonville a struggling town with two general stores and 250 people. Not much there for a young eager man seeking adventure, he headed to Palatka and joined the militia to serve in The Third Seminole War. He was said to have fought against the great Chief Bill Bowlegs. Lueders previously served in the US Army in South Carolina before the Civil War.

In 1857, Lueders returned to Jacksonville working in Neil Witschen's store as a butcher, which was his trade as a young man.

Lueders' military experience in South Carolina and Florida may explain his prompt decision in 1862, surrendering Jacksonville to the Union Navy. It seemed to be neither a heroic nor a cowardly decision, but rather a pragmatic one. Lueders recounted the experience in a newspaper article in 1905.

In March 1862, most of the men in Jacksonville had joined with the Confederate Army to fight in battles further to the north. Lueders, as sheriff, was the only officer left in the city to protect the women and children.

One day standing by the river at the foot of Laura Street, he saw a flagship and three Union gunboats steam down the river and anchor at the foot of Main Street. He was 'getting pretty well scared' when he realized if the ships shelled the town, it would be nothing short of murder.

He happened to have a stick in his hand, and seeing the guns turned towards Jacksonville, he yanked out his handkerchief, tied it to the stick and waved it vigorously over his head. Colonel T.J. Whippie, in charge of the fleet, saw the peace signal and came ashore. Lueders told him that he, Lueders was the only officer present to protect the women and children of Jacksonville and begged Whippie not to fire. The colonel agreed and Lueders boarded the ship to sign the surrender papers. The Union officer declared he was merely on a peace mission and hoped Florida would not suffer the havoc of war.

Lueders, who died in 1909, was described as a German gentleman refined, even-tempered, possessing a wonderful memory. He continued his profession as a butcher, making several fortunes on the side. He largely owned La Villa and lived in Moncrief Springs. Four children survived him.

If you recognize the name Lueders, it is because descendants still live in the area today and some have continued to serve our communities in law enforcement.

Our program Monday, November 11, will be presented by Joel W. Warner, a member of the Jacksonville Genealogy Society and the Southern Genealogist's exchange Society, Jacksonville. His subject will be Genealogy Research.

To learn more, come and join us at the West Nassau Genealogical Society meetings, the second Monday of each month at 10:30 a.m. at the Callahan Lions Club, located on US Highway 1, north of the fairgrounds. Visitors are always welcome!

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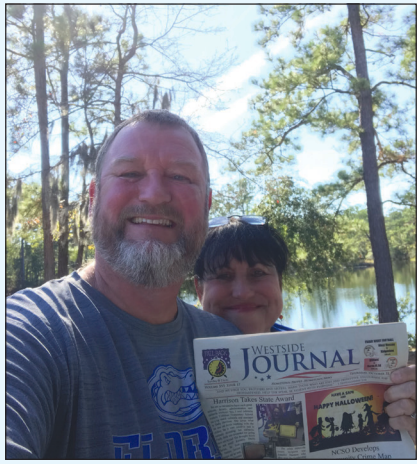


## Happy 1<sup>st</sup> Birthday Emery Reece Vickers

Emery Reece Vickers will celebrate her first birthday November 7! She will celebrate her special milestone with a big party held in her honor with lots of family and friends joining in the fun. Her proud parents are Clint and Ashley Vickers of Yulee!

## Westside Journal Goes Camping!

Troy and Mary Wilkerson, of Callahan, recently enjoyed a camping trip to South Carolina. They went to Lake Jasper Campground in Hardeeville, South Carolina! They had a great time fishing, relaxing and of course, watching the Florida/Georgia game from the campground! Anyone who likes to camp, they highly recommend this campground. Lucky for us, they took along a copy of the Westside Journal on the trip!



## Advance Rehabilitation Holds Ribbon Cutting

Last Thursday, Advance Rehabilitation, Callahan location, held their official Grand Opening ribbon cutting. The facility has been up and running for several months providing physical rehab for patients needing it. Not only is the facility convenient for Callahan, Hilliard and Bryceville residents but also is very accommodating for appointment times. The facility is located at 450077 State Road 200, Suite 9, Callahan, right beside Callahan Family Practice (UF Health). The office number is 879-2004.



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## Steak Dinner Fundraiser Friday

The VFW Auxiliary, in Hilliard, will have a Steak Dinner Friday, November 8 from 5-8 p.m. Come one, come all! Call 904-845-7139 between 2:30-8 p.m. to prepay by Thursday, November 7. Dinners are \$15 each.

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# WN CADETS HOST WARRIOR CHALLENGE



The cadets of West Nassau High School AFJROTC hosted a Warrior competition Saturday, October 26. Six Jacksonville area schools with Army, Marine, and Air Force JROTC programs brought 21 teams to compete. The Warrior challenge was a 2-part event.

First, over 100 cadets competed in a team fitness competition which consisted of push-ups, sit-ups, shuttle run, flexed arm hang, and a mile run. The cadets from West Nassau took 1st place in the male and female categories and a 3rd place finish in the co-ed division. The female physical fitness team consisted of Abigail Fahlgren, Destiny Rose, Lexie Decker, Chloe Whaley, and Kyra Loftus. The male physical fitness team consisted of Ramsey Krolak, Carter Lundquist, Hunter Johnson, Jacob Jones, and Dylan Terry. The co-ed

team had Alyssa Stiern, Allen Register, Cole Miller, Taylor Dent, and Ethan Nipper. The second part consisted of an obstacle course challenge where 40 cadets tackled the course. Two teams from West Nassau took 1st and 3rd place. First place obstacle course team consisted of Alan Stewart, Abigail Fahlgren, Weston Miller, Robert Gambrell, and Gibreen Ahmad. Third place obstacle course team had Trey Koller, Carter Lundquist, Lexie Decker, Ethan Nipper and Ramsey Krolak.



## Boy Scouts Fundraiser Yard Sale!



Callahan Boy Scout Troop #351 will hold an Indoor Fundraising Yard Sale Friday, November 8 from 8 a.m. – 6 p.m.; and Saturday, November 9 from 8 a.m. – 12 p.m. at the Masonic Lodge of Callahan, 45085 Frank Brookins Drive (behind City Hall). All proceeds benefit the Troop's scouting adventures.

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## Rayonier Grants Help Local Nonprofit Organizations

Rayonier awarded more than \$162,000 to 35 local nonprofit organizations to help address key community needs across Nassau County. Recipients of the company's Community Fund grants were recently recognized at a special awards breakfast hosted by Rayonier on Friday, November 1, 2019. The recipients will use the funds to help meet a range of needs in the Nassau County community, including civic and cultural, educational, environmental, natural resources and health and human services programs. "There are wonderful organizations in this room. Thank you for all the great work you do," said Commissioner Justin Taylor (District 5), Nassau County Board of County Commissioners, speaking to the Rayonier 2019 grant recipients.



West Nassau Historical Society Wes Hinton (Wildlight), Mark Bridwell (Rayonier), John Hendricks (West Nassau Historical Society), Liz Mobley (West Nassau Historical Society), Mark McHugh (Rayonier), Shelby Pyatt (Rayonier), Rhett Rogers (Rayonier)

Among the programs made possible, thanks to the support of these grants, are a robot lab program for 3rd through 6th graders, workforce development apprenticeships and environmental education and conservation programs. "Rayonier's community involvement is a great source of pride for me personally, the company, as well as our employees," said Mark Bridwell, Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary.

Among those present to congratulate recipients were Rayonier representatives; Nassau County Board of County Commissioners, Commissioner Justin Taylor (District 5); Nassau County Sheriff Bill Leeper; Nassau County School District Superintendent Dr. Rachel Clark (Traders Hill Farm), Wes Hinton (Wildlight), Mark Bridwell (Rayonier), Kathy Knight Burns, Mark McHugh (Rayonier), Shelby Pyatt (Rayonier), Donna Martin (District 1 Board Member) and Hill Farm)



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Gail Gook (District 2 Board Member); and Ocean, Highway & Port Authority, Commissioner Michael Cole (District 5).

Altogether, in 2019 Rayonier plans to grant close to \$300,000 across the United States. More than 55% of those funds will be distributed in Nassau County to the following organizations: Amelia Island Book Festival; Amelia Island Chamber Music Festival; Arts Alive; Nassau Baptist Health Foundation; Barnabas Center, Inc.; Big Brothers Big Sisters NEFL; Boys & Girls Clubs of Nassau County; Camp Kesem at FSU; Community Hospice & Palliative Care; Family Support Services of North Florida; Fernandina Beach High School Foundation; First Readers of Nassau County; First Coast Healing Hands Inc.; Florida Forestry Foundation; Institute for Enterprise, Inc.; Keep Nassau Beautiful; McArthur YMCA; Nassau County Alliance for the Mentally Ill; Nassau County Council on Aging; Nassau County Extension - 4H; Nassau County School District - Career Education; Nassau County Sheriff's Office Charities; Nassau Education Foundation; Nassau Habitat for Humanity; St. Marys Riverkeeper; Take Stock in Children of Nassau County; The Ark of Nassau; The Salvation Army - Hope House; The US Constitution Scholarship Foundation; Traders Hill Farm; Trinity Love Hoblit Foundation; United Way of Northeast Florida; University of Florida Foundation Inc.; West Nassau Historical Society; and White Oak Conservation Foundation.

## 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.

### Wednesday, October 30

Ronald Clell Carter, 34, 27299 W. Fourth Avenue, Hilliard: Sale of Controlled Substance

Cheri Cherelle Sawyer, 30, 36070 Dyal Road, Callahan: Possession of Methamphetamine; Possession of Marijuana

### Thursday, October 31

Kirsten Rebecca Asbell, 26, 54137 Pelican Road, Callahan: Duval County Warrant Violation of Probation Reckless Driving when Reduced from DUI

### Friday, November 1

Roy Lee Hamilton, 54, 45141 Brown Street, Callahan: Burglary/Structure/Conveyance; Theft over \$300 under \$5,000; Grand Theft

## Yulee Chick-fil-A Robbed

On Monday, November 4 at 04:40 a.m. the Chick-fil-A in Yulee was burglarized by an unknown suspect. The suspect drove what appeared to be an older two-tone maroon Dodge Ram pickup truck.

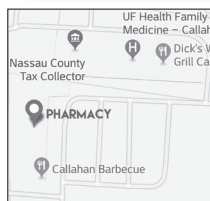


If anyone has any information as to who this suspect is, or has any information on the suspect's Dodge Ram vehicle, please contact First Coast CrimeStoppers at 1-866-845-TIPS (8477). Tips leading to the arrest may qualify for a reward of up to \$3000.00 (dollar amount determined by CrimeStoppers). You can also call the Nassau County Sheriff's Office Non-Emergency number at 904-225-5174 and reference case number 2019-133268 or Chick-fil-A burglary.

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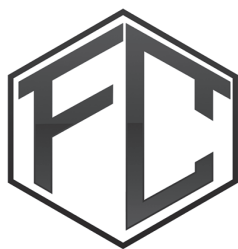
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**GRADY BARBEE**



Grady Barbee, 92, passed away on Friday, November 1, 2019 at his residence. Mr. Barbee was born in Dublin, Georgia and was son to the late Richard Lee Barbee and Mary Ella Cochran Barbee. He moved to Jacksonville in 1960 and worked for 40 years for JC Penney where he retired as a Department Manager. He was a former member of Wingate and Sherwood Forest Baptist Churches and is currently a member of Gardenview Baptist Church. He enjoyed Gospel Music, taking walks and riding around.

Mr. Barbee is survived by his wife of 59 years, Janie Barbee; two sons Glenn (Karen) Barbee of Callahan and John Barbee; two brothers Clyde (Connie) Barbee and Rufus (Mary) Barbee, all of Dublin; four grandchildren, Katherine (Chad) Reed, Lauren Barbee, Kristen (Jessie) Ladson and Zack Barbee; four great-grandchildren Makenzie Reed, Mason Burch, Carson Reed and Emilie Ladson; and numerous nieces, nephews, extended family and friends.

The family received friends prior to the funeral service held Tuesday, November 5 at Gardenview Baptist Church with Rev. Jason Reid officiating. Burial followed at Riverside Memorial Park.

Peebles Family Funeral Homes served the Barbee Family.

Condolences may be expressed at [www.ppf.com](http://www.ppf.com).

**CHRISTOPHER CONNER**



Christopher 'Chris' Columbus Conner, 82, entered into eternal rest with his Lord and Savior on October 30, 2019. He was born October 14, 1937 in Nassau County however he lived in Folkston most of his life. He was very active in the Folkston community and also had a very interesting career path. Quite the

entrepreneur, he owned several businesses through the years, including 'The Skillet' (a local burger/breakfast spot); the iconic King and Prince Drive-In Restaurant; an Interstate Battery wholesale distributorship for Northeast Florida and Southeast Georgia; a furniture store; a florist; and he owned and operated a trucking company in his later years, among other varied ventures. Mr. Conner served as magistrate judge of Charlton County for several years in the early 1990's. He was an active member of Camp Pinckney Baptist Church in Folkston and also served as a deacon in the past. Chris enjoyed fishing, gardening, tinkering on equipment, riding on his tractor and was a master steak griller!

He was preceded in death by his parents Charles and Arna Conner; his beloved wife of 63 years, Gayle Aldridge Conner; his sister Nora B. Taylor; brothers Horace Conner, Kenneth Conner and Dwayne Conner; and son Scott Conner.

Mr. Conner is survived by his daughters September (Sherwood) Carter and Shannon Carter; grandchildren Autumn (Charles) Harvell, Brandon Carter, Amelia Huntsinger, Derek (Brittany) Carter and Savannah Conner; great-grandson CJ Harvell; a sister, Brenda (Chris) Gowen; a brother Don Conner; and sisters-in-law, Mae Conner and Cherie Aldridge (Rod) Stearns; as well as many loving nieces and nephews.

The family received friends Friday, November 1. The funeral service was held Saturday, November 2, at Camp Pinckney Baptist Church with Pastor Keith Lloyd officiating. Burial followed in the Camp Pinckney Baptist Church Cemetery.

Condolences may be expressed at [www.shepardfh.com](http://www.shepardfh.com).

Shepard Roberson Funeral Home in Folkston is in charge of services.

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**EDWARD ANTHONY FERREIRA**



Edward Anthony Ferreira, 91, went to be with his heavenly father on October 30, 2019 as his family surrounded him with much love. He was born August 5, 1928 in Dartmouth, Massachusetts. He was a native of Pittsfield, Massachusetts and graduated in 1946 from Pittsfield High School, where he lettered in Basketball.

Ed married Joan Elizabeth Berry on April 22, 1950 and started their family of six. He served in the United States Navy, as a First Class Petty Officer before his honorable discharge in 1953. They moved to Jacksonville in 1957. He was a charter member of the Most Holy Redeemer Catholic Church starting in 1962. There he was a Eucharistic minister for many years. He was in the linen sales industry for 35 years and served on the Board of Directors with the Jacksonville Restaurant Association for 20 years. After retiring in 1992 he went to work part time with Pavilion Plaza Pharmacy division of Baptist Health Systems. He was loved by everyone he met and within moments you knew him as Mr. Ed. You just knew you were in presence of a wonderful man. He leaves behind a family that was built from his love. His final message to his family "Take care of each other." He is preceded in death by his wife of 46 years, Joan Elizabeth in 1996.

He is survived by his loving companion, Linda Dondlinger; his four children David, Gary, Linda (Buddy) Geiger and Laura (Brett) Ferreira; and sister Kathy Lewis; seven grandchildren Robbie Geiger, Jason (Shali) Geiger, David (Katie) Ferreira, Danny (Alicia) Ferreira, Lisa (Austin) Helmers, Carley (Adam) Carroll and Emma Ferreira; and seven great-grandchildren Emmalyn, Trenton, Bryson, Analeece,

Chloe, Cora and Avis Rose.

The family will receive friends Friday, November 8 from 5-8 p.m. at Fraser Funeral Home, 8168 Normandy Blvd., Jacksonville with a Prayer service at 7:30 p.m. The funeral service will be held Saturday, November 9 at 11 a.m. at Most Holy Redeemer Catholic Church, 8523 Normandy Blvd. Interment will follow at Riverside Memorial Park. Food and fellowship will follow at the church.

Fraser Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements, (904) 781-4314.

**GARY RABURN HENDRICKS**



Gary Raburn Hendricks, 60, of Valrico, Florida, went home to be with Jesus on Saturday, October 5, 2019. He was preceded in death by his stepfather Calvin Anders.

Gary was active in Metropolitan Ministries from 1996 to 1997; he was a counselor on the ministry team at Idlewild Baptist Church from 1997 to 2000. When Gary moved to Valrico in 2001, he moved his membership to Bell Shoals Baptist Church. From 2006 to the present time, he was teaching a men's Sunday school class. Gary was a Veteran of the United States Army where he served with distinction.

Gary is survived by his wife Cheryl Hendricks; two stepsons Sean (Chelsea) Oyer and Ian Oyer; and two grandchildren Cassie and Mason; his mother Mary Anne Anders; and two brothers Matthew (Sandra) Hendricks and Clay (Sally) Hendricks.

A memorial service will be held for Gary on Sunday, November 10 at 4 p.m. at Live Oak Baptist Church with Pastor Stephen Wolgamott officiating.

"For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain." Philippians 1:21



**John M. Drew  
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John M. Drew, Tax Collector, has received the 2019 Nassau County Tax Roll as certified by A. Michael Hickox, Property Appraiser. The Tax Roll is now open for payment of 2019 taxes via the internet at [www.nassautaxes.com](http://www.nassautaxes.com) by E-check (no service charge) or by Visa, MasterCard, Discover and American Express (service charges apply). Payments are also accepted via U.S. Mail and at the office locations listed below.

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**MICHAEL E. OVERSTREET**



Michael E. Overstreet, 76, of Kings Ferry, passed away on Sunday November 3, 2019 surrounded by family at his home. He was born July 31, 1943 in Jacksonville, to Henry and Mary Overstreet. He proudly served his country in the United States Air Force for 7 years during the Vietnam War. He was employed at Anchor Glass and Container as an Electronics Technician until he reached retirement. He then went to work at Bennett Chevrolet in Kingsland, because he was tired of computers and wanted to work with people. He was a successful salesman until he retired to home.

He was passionate about Veterans' rights and supporting our military, a staunch Republican and Trump supporter. He was a connoisseur of fine cigars and an occasional Pabst Blue Ribbon Beer. He loved his home in Kings Ferry and resided there since 1975.

Mike was happily married to Tennette and was surrounded by family when he, as he put it, "went to the Promised Land." He was loved and adored by family, friends and the medical staff that worked with him during his illness. He was always ready with a great story and was known to drop pearls of wisdom -known as Mikey-isms at the most needed but unexpected times.

From his days of dancing with his wife to Keith Whitley's "Don't Close Your Eyes" at the famous Pines Bar to his days of renaming his attractive female physicians, is his surgeon "Dimples," he never met a lady that he couldn't make smile or a man that would forever call him brother. He was the best of men, a son, brother, husband, daddy and granddaddy. He was loved by all and will forever be missed by those who loved him the most. His smile, laugh and usually off colored jokes will never be forgotten. Mike was preceded in death by his parents Henry and Mary Overstreet.

He is survived by his loving wife of 22

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years, Tennette Overstreet; children Amy L. Overstreet, Latresa (Lamar) Carroll, Jessica (Steven) Thompson, Matthew Crews, Sr. and Sarah (Justin) Trott; grandchildren Holton L. Smith, Emily (Johnnie) Davis, Brayden Carroll, Isaiah Thompson, Brandon Thompson, James Trott and Matthew Crews, Jr.; siblings Robert "Bob" Duckworth, Kathy (Mike) Allen and Donnie and De'Ette Kirkpatrick; one niece and two nephews.

Pallbearers will be Holton L. Smith, Brayden Carroll, Donald Kirkpatrick, Johnny Biellings, Steven Thompson and Justin Trott.

A viewing will be held Thursday, November 7 in the Nassau Funeral Home Chapel from 6-8 p.m. A graveside service will be held Friday, November 8 at 9:30 a.m. in the Jacksonville National Cemetery.

Condolences may be expressed at [www.nassaufh.com](http://www.nassaufh.com).

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

**HARRY 'DUKE' SCABAROZI, III**

Harry 'Duke' Eros Scabarozi, III, 66, passed away November 4, 2019 in Jacksonville, surrounded by his family after a 3 year battle with pancreatic cancer. Duke was born September 8, 1953 to Harry Scabarozi, II and Lucille Scabarozi in Hackensack, New Jersey. His family moved to Brevard County, Florida in 1956, where he grew up surfing, riding dirt bikes, camping, and working on cars with his father and family. He graduated from Satellite High School in 1971. He was employed by FPL for 48 years, first located in Melbourne, then relocating to Hilliard,

where he resided the last 33 years. He was a member of Our Lady of Consolation Catholic Church. Duke loved the outdoors, riding his Harley, fishing in the Keys, and four wheeling. He is predeceased by his parents; daughter Michelle; and wife Cathy.

Those left to treasure his memories include his son Harry, IV of Hilliard; grandchildren Harry V 'LH' and wife Amanda of Folkston, Jack Hunter Scabarozi of Jacksonville, Dakota Smith of Hilliard and Brandi Floyd of Sunrise; great-granddaughter Madalynn; brother Mike (Marty) Scabarozi of Indialantic; sisters Cindy (Mike) Floyd of West End, North Carolina and Norma (Dave) Adams of Melbourne; and former spouse and mother of his children Cynthia Boyle Scabarozi of Indian Harbour Beach.

A celebration of life will be held at Friday, November 8 at 3 p.m. at Our Lady of Consolation Catholic Church Parish Hall in Callahan.

Callahan Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements, 879-2336.

**MADELINE A. WATT**

Madeline 'Maddie' A. Watt, 76, of Callahan, passed away October 31, 2019 at Baptist Medical Center Jacksonville, with her loved ones by her side. She was born March 26, 1943 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Maddie proudly raised her six children and worked in retail after her children were grown.

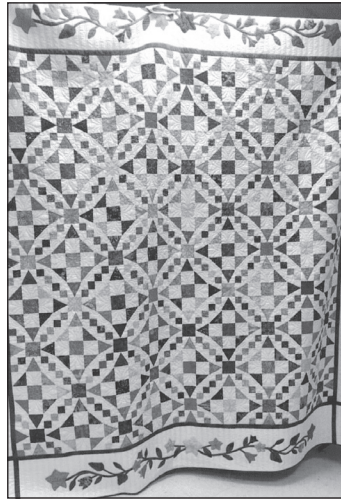
She was an avid Philadelphia sports Fanatic Fan. She had a love for nature and her pets. She was preceded in death by her parents; siblings; son Ronald Watt; and grandson Richard Watt.

Maddie is survived by her loving husband Thomas Watt; her children Thomas and Jeanette Watt, Richard Watt, Sandra and Joel Welch, Kelly and David Jevnick and Susan Watt; 13 grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; and her dear friends John and Charlotte Young.

A memorial service will be announced at a later date.

Arrangements by Callahan Funeral Home, Inc.

## Quilt Raffle for Quilt Guild



The Country Star Quilt Guild is selling tickets for their Annual Opportunity Quilt. It is a colorful, queen/king size pieced quilt with appliqued borders. Two matching pillow shams are included. Tickets are \$1 each and can be purchased at the Westside Journal office (450034 State Rd 200, Callahan) until December 9. The quilt is also displayed at the Journal office.

All proceeds go towards the Country Star Quilt Guild's charity projects. Five members of the quilt guild made the beautiful quilt with a combination of "Flight" and "Shoo-Fly" pieced blocks, appliqued flowers and hand sewn seed bead accents dressing the borders and custom quilting.

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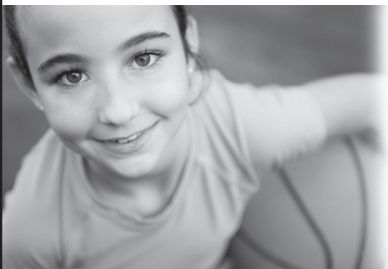
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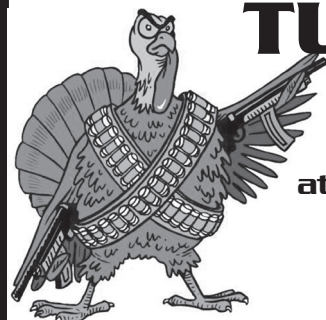
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**It is our honor to recognize our local Armed Service members. We would like to update our 'Pray for our Troops' list, adding those who have recently joined our Armed Services or removing those who no longer serve. Please read over the list. If you need to make a correction, addition or deletion, just give us a call, 879-4180. You may also email changes to news@westsidejournal.net.**

**God Bless our Troops!**

## Callahan Resident Receives New Car!



Monday, November 4, Carvana surprised an incredibly deserving Callahan resident with a new car! Samantha Dunston was thrilled to receive a 2017 Toyota Camry, a check for 6 months of car insurance, Carvana's Car Care Warranty as well as a car full of must-haves for a single-mom.

Samantha was nominated by her friend Christine Jardine through Carvana's Carpool Program. Samantha was selected to receive a car because of her compassionate, hardworking and fun-loving personality. Samantha is a devoted mother to her two-year-old son and is currently without a reliable vehicle to transport her to work, nursing school and daycare. Samantha dreams of becoming a nurse and providing for her son, but it's a challenging goal given her lack of reliable transportation. Congratulations Samantha!

## NCSO Swears in New Employees



Sheriff Bill Leeper swore in several new employees on October 31, 2019. Shown front row (l to r) are: Communications Officer Jordyn Watkins, Communications Officer Kaitlyn Fraizer, Communications Officer Chris Leonard and Communications Officer Natalie Canaday. Back row (l to r) are: Detention Deputy Patricia Jennings, Court Bailiff Leon Ortagus, Detention Deputy Marc Campbell, EOC Hazard Mitigation Coordinator Mark Wilson, Detention Deputy Jason Parrott, Detention Deputy James Lockhart and Detention Deputy Kristie Hoelzer.

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# Callahan Town News

Dawn S. West

The Callahan Town Council met Monday night for their first regular meeting of November. Three people signed in to address the council. Mike Cole advised the council that final preparations are being made for the Callahan Town Clean-up that will be held Saturday, November 16 at the Boatright County Building from 9-11:30 a.m. Volunteers are asked to sign-in at 9 a.m. to receive your designated areas to pick up trash and will enjoy a free lunch following the clean-up.

Jeff Sample, representing the St. Johns River Water Management District, advised the council that the SJRWMD is encouraging people to conserve water by only watering one time per day.

Aretha Brown questioned the council concerning the new apartments that will be built directly in front of her home. "Will these new apartments flood my home and land by draining on my property?" asked Brown.

"The apartments will have their own drainage area with their own retention pond," added Town Manager Mike Williams.

The first order of business was election of the Council President for fiscal year 2019-2020. Councilwoman Janet Shaw nominated Ken Bass to continue to be president. Councilwoman Shirley Graham nominated Janet Shaw to take over the presidency. Councilwoman Kathy Smith made a motion to keep Ken Bass as Council President and the council approved.

Assignment of positions was then decided. All positions remained the same: Council President and Fire Commissioner Ken Bass; Council Pro Tem and Street Commissioner Janet Shaw; Councilwoman Graham Water Commissioner; Councilwoman Smith Parks & Recreation Commissioner; and Councilman David Mellecker Zoning Commissioner.

The next order of business was

from Jared Petrovitz and Tim Norman, representing Mittauer & Associates engineers. Petrovitz went over the SRF facilities plan with the council concerning replacing three main areas of water lines through the town. These lines are over 60 years old and could cause leaks, low pressure and much more. The proposed project will be \$582,000. Following the presentation, the council approved Resolution 2019-R25 which concerned approving the Facilities Plan so that the design for the project will commence.

The first Reading and Public Hearing on Ordinance 2019-O10 was approved which concerned the annexation of approximately 255 acres.

Residents that have agreed to be annexed into the town limits will be allowed to hook into the town water. The residents will have to pay the cost of the hook up from their home to the street.

The first Reading and Public Hearing on Ordinance 2019-O11 was also approved which concerned repealing Chapter 3 of the Town Code which include assessments pertaining to rates from 40 or 50 years ago and do not apply.

During 'around the Council' discussions, Councilwoman Graham advised the council that the county is still trying to tell us (West side) what to do and you all need to be aware of it.

Councilwoman Shaw recommended that the town make a donation to assist with the Town Clean-up.

Council President Bass expressed his concerns for the game rooms around town and how busy they have gotten since Jacksonville closed them (game rooms) down. Bass also spoke highly of the achievements of Howie Kendrick, West Nassau graduate, Washington Nationals player and World Series Champion. I think we (town) need to consider something for him!

The next meeting of the council will be Monday, November 18 at 7 p.m.



# Flashes Earn First Playoff Since 2014

Holden McMillen

After clinching their first winning season since 2016, the Hilliard Flashes looked to gain momentum as they closed the regular season on the road against the NFEI Eagles. Following their first offensive possession, the Flashes defense looked to get the ball back. While the Eagles were marching down the field, Flashes' linebacker Kale Corbitt intercepted a pass and returned it 22 yards. The Flashes offense capitalized when quarterback Lyle Bennett found his target D.J. Coston for a 37-yard touchdown pass. After a successful extra point, the Flashes jumped out to an early 7-0 lead. Coston came up with an interception of his own to end the 1st quarter.

After Coston's interception, the offense turned it into points when Tywuan Lee galloped for a 61-yard touchdown run. After a missed extra point, the Flashes extended the lead to 13-0. The Flashes continued to have a field day when Josh Yancey intercepted a pass and returned it 11 yards. The Flashes used the turnover and turned it into points with a drive capped off with Coston's 8-yard touchdown run. With a failed 2-point conversion, the Flashes extended the lead to 19-0. They got another turnover from their secondary. This time Lee got into the act with a 55-yard interception return to end the half.

The momentum crashed when the Eagles marched down the field that led to a 3-yard touchdown run. With a successful 2-point conversion, the Eagles cut into the deficit 19-8. The Flashes responded back when Coston found Jason Sheffield for a 44-yard touchdown. With Bennett's 3-yard scamper into the end zone, the Flashes extend their lead 27-8. The Eagles kept fighting back with a drive of their own, ending with an 8-yard touchdown run. With a failed 2-point try, the Flashes finished the 3rd quarter clinging to a 27-14 lead.

Looking to put the game out of reach, the Flashes added another score thanks to Lee's 41-yard touchdown scamper. With a missed extra point, the Flashes

extended the lead 33-14 for a final score. The Flashes ended the regular season at 6-4 clinching a playoff spot for the first time since 2014 and their first home playoff game since 2004! Way to go Flashes!

Offensively, the Flashes offense put up 355 yards of total offense, 212 yards rushing off 22 carries. Leading the charge was Tywuan Lee with 9 carries for 128 yards and 2 touchdowns; D.J. Coston with 7 carries for 72 yards and a touchdown; Cody Bright had 3 carries for 11 yards; and Seth O'Neil had 2 carries for 6 yards. Combined in the air, the Flashes went 7/13 for 143 yards and 2 touchdowns. Quarterback Lyle Bennett went 6/12 for 99 yards and a touchdown; and Coston completed a pass for 44 yards and a touchdown; Jason Sheffield had 4 catches for 90 yards and a touchdown; Coston had 2 catches for 50 yards and a touchdown; and Bright had a catch for 3 yards.

Defensively, the Flashes forced 4 turnovers, all interceptions, and held the Eagles to 89 yards rushing. Leading the defense was Cody Bright and D.J. Coston with 4 tackles with Coston having an interception; Tanner Morgan and Kale Corbitt each had 3 tackles with Corbitt having an interception; Tristin Moody had 2 tackles; Josh Yancey had 2 tackles and an interception; Anthony Conner had 2 tackles; Carson Newkirk had 2 tackles; Cameron Chavarria had 2 tackles and a sack; Seth O'Neil and Dylan Coston had 2 tackles, with Coston having a pass breakup; Josh Johnson had a tackle and a sack; Lee had a tackle and an interception; Brandon Matthews, Bennett, and Angelo Benjamin each sharing a tackle a piece.

Your Hilliard Flashes are playoff bound! The Flashes first home playoff game in 15 years will be held this Friday, November 8 as they welcome the Branford Buccaneers at 7:30 p.m. on Flashes Field in the 1A Regional Quarterfinals. Admission to the game will be \$8 per person. Come out and support your hometown team. Keep calm and go Flashes! #Nathanstrong

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## Garden Talk

Rebecca Jordi, UF/IFAS Nassau County Horticultural Extension Agent is a University of Florida faculty member. Mail questions to: Garden Talk, c/o Rebecca Jordi, Nassau County Extension, 543350 US Hwy. 1, Callahan, FL 32011 or email [rjordi@ufl.edu](mailto:rjordi@ufl.edu)

**Q: What kind of termite is this? CF**

**A:** I am glad you brought me soldiers as these make it easier to identify. However, just to be sure, I sent it to our University specialist at the Entomology laboratory in Gainesville. He identified the termites as drywood termites. The following information comes from a publication titled, "Drywood and Dampwood Termites" by W. H. Chan, R. M. Pereira, and P. G. Koehler. Drywood termites typically infest sound or non-decayed wood in older homes. Places they can be found in a home include wood flooring, attics, wood frames, fascia boards, window sills, doors, and furniture. Drywood termites survive best at 60°F but have been reported in temperatures of 110°F. Initially, winged termites known as swarmers or alates will enter cracks and openings in wood to start new colonies. These termites have evolved to be able to survive in environmental extremes. This is important because, unlike subterranean termites, drywood termites cannot retreat to the soil when conditions are unfavorable. They have adapted very well to dry environments by having a more impermeable cuticle to retain body moisture. Also, they are more efficient at resorbing water from their excrement, or feces—a process causing its characteristic pellet shape. This pellet has a six-sided shape. The



surface of the wood will also show blistering or warping which indicates an advanced infestation. When blistering on the wood occurs, the cause is the termites feeding just under the surface of the wood. Drywood colonies are smaller than subterranean termites and therefore their nests will be smaller and clustered together. Drywood termites can exist with other drywood colonies so close examination of the area is critical. Methods used for subterranean termites do not work well on drywood termites as they do not live in the soil. Prevention is the first defense. Caulking and closing crack and crevices is the best prevention – just keep them out of the home. For larger areas, use 20 mesh screening works best. Pressure-treated wood is not infested by drywood termites. Would can be sprayed or treated with borates or silica gels as a coating. Inspect your home on a regular basis to catch anomalies early. Drywood termites commonly infest the upper portion and attic in structures, unlike subterranean termites, which are usually found closer to the ground. Thus, inspection of attics is very important. Exposed wood in these areas must be tapped as described above and look for fecal pellet accumulations to determine location and extent of infestations. Carefully look over chemical controls as the size of the damage will dictate what process is best.

### Thought of the week...

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