

"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

CES Students Visit Brandies

Recently, 10 classes of second grade Callahan Elementary School students had a walking fieldtrip to Brandies Ace Hardware in Callahan. The Brandies fieldtrips had pretty much been a staple until the pandemic hit. For two years, no fieldtrips were held, not even to Brandies.

Monday through Friday customers were pleasantly surprised when they saw the groups of children (with chaperones) located in different areas of the store, learning all about the



hardware business. Students learned about the history of the iconic store and were able to learn about some of the antiques placed all around the store.

The students were led by store owner Raymond Fachko and his daughter Stephanie Henderson, along



with other members of the Brandies team. The students had fun pumping water from a hand pump, learning about cutting chains, mixing paint colors, making keys and so much more. Each student took a trip upstairs, where not too many people have been, and planted their own plants to take home. Truly a great memory, not only for the children, but also for the chaperones.

Thank you Brandies Ace Hardware!

Law Enforcement Torch Run



The Nassau County Sheriff's Office participated in the 2022 Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics Monday morning. Sheriff Leeper helped cheer on Deputy Daniel Jones, athlete Max Lucovsky, and the West Nassau JROTC cadets. They took off running from the West Nassau High School track, through the bus loop at



Callahan Elementary School being greeted by the students and staff, to US 301 through Callahan to Callahan Barbecue.

Throughout the state of Florida, law enforcement officers from over 300 agencies come together during this state-wide torch run to benefit athletes of Special Olympics Florida.



Veterans4Veterans Gathering this Saturday

The ocean rowing team, FOAR from Home, is scheduled to be the main speaker at the Veterans4VeteransNassau gathering at West Nassau High School this Saturday, May 12. The four members of the team, Cameron Hansen (far left in photo), "Hupp" Huppmann, Billy Cimino and Paul Lore, rowed their ocean racer 3,000 nautical miles from Canary Islands, Spain, to Antigua to raise awareness of and resources for combating veteran suicide.

Veterans4VeteransNassau, sponsored by the Veterans Council of Nassau County, will be held from 10:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. this Saturday at West Nassau High School, 1 Warrior Drive, Callahan. This gathering is designed to offer a free networking opportunity for ALL VETERANS. The event will feature information tables staffed by Veterans' and Veterans' Support Organizations within the



county, such as the Nassau County Veterans Service Officer, American Legion Post 54 in Fernandina, AMVETS 2007 in Hilliard, Vietnam Veterans of America 1088 in Yulee, Veterans Treatment Court, and more.

You will only need cash to buy tickets for the 50/50 drawing (no ATM on premises). Admission and all the coffee you can drink are free, plus the lunch catered by Callahan Barbeque will be at no cost.

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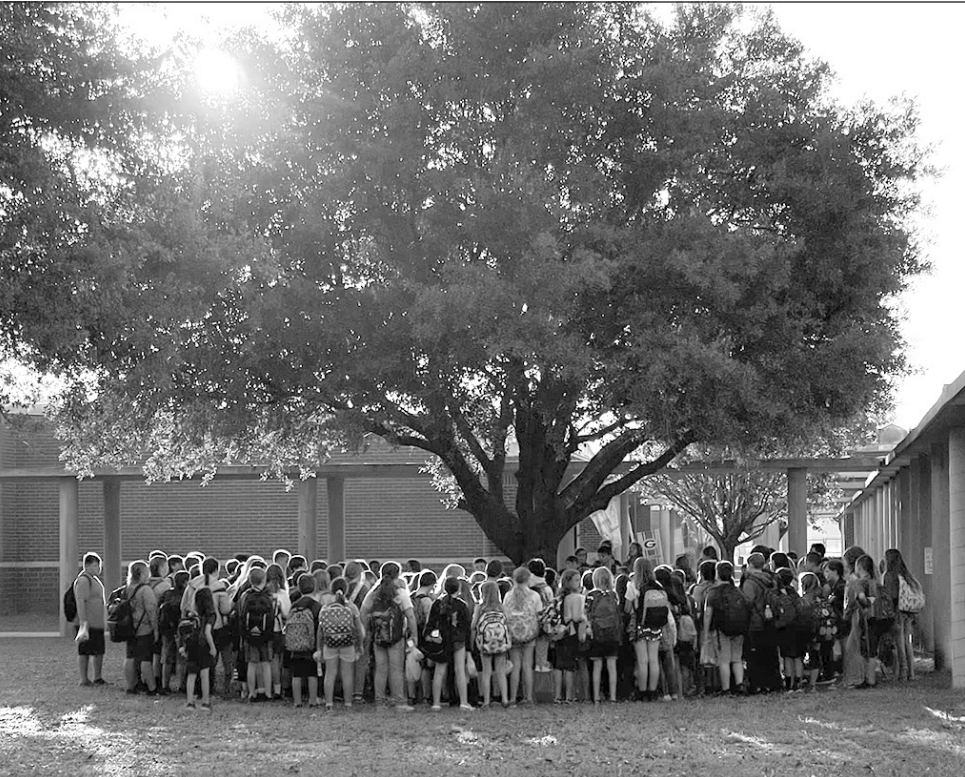
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CIS Students Celebrate National Day of Prayer



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Due to recent health developments, Dr. Rice will be retiring from his dentistry practice. He will be closing his office effective June 2, 2022. If you would like a copy of your dental records, please contact the office at 879-6998 to arrange to pick up your records. Dr. Rice wishes to convey his sincere appreciation and gratitude for your patronage to his dental office in his service to the west Nassau community over the last 20 years.

Kenneth A. Rice, DMD PA

Successful DEA Take Back Day for Nassau County

Danielle Holland

Nassau County communities participated in a very successful DEA Take Back Day, Saturday, April 30, with almost 400 lbs. of medications turned in for safe disposal. These medications are now safely out of homes, reducing the risk of access and misuse of prescription medications. Many also participated in learning about Narcan and how it is a lifesaving tool that can be added to first aid kits.

The DEA National Take Back Day takes place twice a year, so there will



be another opportunity this Fall to dispose of old, unneeded, or unused medications. The Community Coalition Alliance would like to thank everyone who came out to support keeping our community a safe and healthy place to live.

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Rodriguez Represents WNHS Key Club in Daytona

Throughout the days of April 21-24, West Nassau High School Junior, Ana Rodriguez attended the Florida District of Key Club, Inc. 84th Annual District Education and Leadership Conference (DCON) in Daytona Beach. Key Club is an international, student-led organization that provides its members with opportunities to provide service, build character and develop leadership. This event is held for over 2,200 students and provides for district officer elections, international candidates endorsement, club officer and member training, keynote and motivational speakers, individual and club awards for their dedication to service, zone caucuses and social events.

At this event, Ana was a representative of West Nassau High School and Callahan as she was retiring as the 2021-2022 Division 5 Lieutenant Governor, a position that allowed her to oversee 11 Key Clubs in the areas of



Nassau, Duval, Clay and St. Johns and be a part of the Florida District Board as a Trustee. Her term provided her with many leadership, communication and service skills that have prepared her for future experiences. Throughout this event, she was awarded the Leader of Leaders Pin, the Robert F. Lucas Outstanding Lieutenant Governor Award, and the Donna Parton Distinguished LTG Award.

She will be returning to the District Board with a higher position, as she was appointed Sunday, April 24 as the 2022-2023 District Education and Leadership Conference (DCON) Co-Chair. She will be working alongside the entire Board of Trustees, Kiwanis members and Adult Advisors to bring to life next year's Conference.

Ana is honored to be on the District Board representing West Nassau and Nassau County for her last year.

JUST MY OPINION

Roger R. West

Our very freedom is under attack from within! Look at all the headlines and it's easy to see what's happening. Part of their great plan is to throw so many things at us at one time we are unable to process what is going on as they openly take away our freedom due to our confusion. Don't think for a minute that the released Supreme Court's draft on Roe vs. Wade was anything other than a well-planned and deliberately executed release. The evil ones are very crafty! All the while, it takes our minds off Hunter Biden's laptop (that now incriminates VP Harris, also), CRT, sexual indoctrination of our children, the crisis at our southern border, escalating gas prices, supply chain issues, predicted food shortages, inflation at a 40-year high and on and on. Biden's Build Back Better slogan is the biggest joke of the century. So, what is the answer for us to survive the liberal lefts attack on our democracy? A friend posted a response on social media that hits the nail on the head.

Mr. C. Evans posted the following: I LOVE AMERICA, but I do not love what she has become. Scripture has said, "Blessed is a Nation whose God is the Lord," and America has forgotten the Godly foundation upon which she was built... SOMETHING IS WRONG when our children are asked to attend public schools that in many cases, resemble war zones, without even the most basic right of any soldier...the right to pray to the God of heaven. Many times, a wild-eyed, drug-addicted, gun-carrying teenager is allowed to stay in school. SOMETHING IS WRONG!

While our Supreme Court decided to expel God from the classroom in 1962. SOMETHING IS WRONG. Television

daily bombards the senses of our nation with the idea that wrong is right, that the abnormal is normal, that the abhorrent is acceptable, and that what God calls an abomination is Nothing more than an alternate lifestyle. And it's had an effect. Thirty years ago, the number one television program in America was "The Andy Griffith Show." Look what we have today. SOMETHING IS WRONG, when our government can pass out contraceptives to children in school without parental consent, and yet the Gideon's can no longer pass out the Bible on campus... SOMETHING IS WRONG. When our leaders can tell your children and mine that premarital sex is alright as long as it's safe...yes...SOMETHING IS WRONG and I for one am ready for a change. I will say to my government, "I'm not raising dogs at my house; I'm raising children...created in the image and likeness of ALMIGHTY GOD. And I'm going to teach them the Bible. If the Bible says its right, it's RIGHT and if the Bible says it's wrong...it's WRONG." The only hope that America has is that Godly men and women of character will stand together as one mighty army and Declare to the immoral, the impure, the obscene and the foul. "Your days of unlimited access to the minds of America are over. The army of God, that has been silent for too long, and we are taking America back!"

I, as one of the ultra-MAGA crowd that is the "Most extreme political organization in recent U.S. history" as the illegitimate person posing as the President of the United States of America called many of us, totally agree with Mr. Evans.

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

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It's Worth It at The End

Pastor Walter Cooper, He Changed My Mind Ministries, Callahan



Greetings brothers and sisters of the west side! Some of us don't count the cost before we start a new adventure, we just jump in not worrying about how long it's going to take, or what problem we may face. I'm sure when a student enters medical school, they're excited about the new possibilities someone may have shared their experience with them, about late-night studies or long days at the library. I'm sure the thought came across their mind, am I going to make it. I'm convinced that there are times when you question yourself about the sacrifice that is required to complete your studies. I'm sure the Hebrew boy was thinking that very question. We have come too far to start over. Let's remain in God's hands, we're not bowing to an image. It does not matter what King Nebuchadnezzar says or are we going to be faithful to the end? He made a golden image, then the king instructed the people when they hear the sound of music everyone should fall down and worship the image. The Hebrew boys knew that it would be better to obey God than to follow or believe that the king was in control, so they did not bow when they heard the music.

In Matthew 24:10-13, Jesus tells us what would happen in the last days, "...and many false prophets shall rise and shall deceive many. And because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold. But he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved."

It was told to King Nebuchadnezzar that Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego didn't follow his instructions, and they were placed in the fiery furnace.

There are times in our lives as we walk with the Lord, we question ourselves and wonder is it all worth it as our eyes grow obscure with the challenges of our lives. Jesus never said that it would be easy, in reality, he told us that we would suffer as he has suffered; and that we shall be persecuted just as he was persecuted, but he also said that if we endure to the end we shall receive a crown of glory. Brothers and sisters be encouraged that it will be worth it at the end.

Just as he was present in the furnace, He's the same God for the new doctor that's gone through medical school. I'm sure they would say it's worth seeing a smile on someone's face, as they care for them with love, compassion and grace, they realize that it wasn't too bad after all. God is with us today! Continue to walk by faith and not by sight, trusting in the Lord that he will see you through your toughest times.

Revelation 2:25-26 says, "But that which ye have already hold fast till I come. And he that overcometh, and keepeth my works unto the end, to him will I give power over the nations."

Grace and peace. Amen

CIS Honors Mr. Glenn Long



Recently, a Tree Planting dedication was held at Callahan Intermediate School to honor the first Principal of the school, the late Mr. Glenn Long. Friends and family gathered for the special event. Mr. Long served in the Nassau County School system for years and he served at CIS when it opened in 1976. Mr. Glenn and Mrs. Deloris are lifetime Callahan residents. Mrs. Long was proud to be at the special ceremony for her late husband.

Final Meeting for Bryceville Community Club Tuesday

The Bryceville Community Club will hold their FINAL meeting, next Tuesday, May 17 at 11 a.m. Members will be asked to share a favorite memory of the club and suggestions on how to dispose of money in the treasury will be discussed. Members and guests are asked to bring sides and desserts for the luncheon following the meeting. The club will provide meat for the meal. The club meets at their building off of Motes Road in Bryceville.

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Busy Mom's Advice on Being Frugal

Yvette Outler

Activities, children, and snacks go together like peas and carrots! In preparation for the upcoming week, as you glance at the calendar you will see how many snacks are needed. For instance, two trips scheduled to the ballpark, two trips for dance classes, and one after school hair cut means that you will need five snacks. If you have multiple children traveling at the same time, then you multiple the activity times the number of kids you are chauffeuring.

Ways to save money while on the go:

1. Just say, "No to the convenience store." Keep Snacks and Drinks on Hand – My friend, Carrie Mizell, has a busy life that she organizes very well. Her frugal idea of pre-planning is to keep Little Debbie's and small bottles of water in a container in her SUV. This alleviates the expensive convenience store stop. For a mom with three kids this could easily be an \$18 stop each time. For three activities a week that is a whopping \$54. Great idea Carrie! Thanks for sharing it with us.

2. Dividing snacks – The small bags of potato chips, container of 12 can be expensive. A money saving tip is to buy two large bags of potato chips and divide the chips into sandwich zip lock baggies. When I made my daughter's lunch every day, I would put five bags aside for her lunch. The other bags were her afternoon snack. Being on a tight budget, when the bags ran out, there were no more snacks for the week.

3. Baking your own snacks: A box of brownie mix, or a bag of cookie mix averages \$2. You can bake your snacks on Sunday for the upcoming week. (It will take discipline not to dive into them) Once they are cool divide them out and place in sandwich baggies for the upcoming week. Go ahead and put them in the car so they are ready for your first stop!



4. Reusable drink container: Dollar Tree sells small, plastic drink containers with a pop-up lid. Instead of buying drinks for snack time, these are a frugal option. Do not forget to fill them with your filtered water before leaving the house.

My daughter, Crystal, homeschooling mother of four children, told my mom, "Granny, my hands are full!" My mom told her, "Honey, better to be full than empty." Crystal said, "On days when I am overwhelmed, I hear granny's words and my perspective changes."

Give yourself permission to scale back on the extracurricular activities. Your kids will grow up not remembering the ballet classes or baseball games as much as they will remember how they were valued and loved. The Lord blesses us with them on borrowed time. Let us be mindful of how we fill our calendars. With each activity that you pencil in ask yourself, "Will this add to or take away from our family in any way?" May the Lord bless you as you balance work, raising children and the many hats you wear each day!

Yvette Outler is a Dave Ramsey's Master Solution's Personal Financial Coach. If you have any questions or would like to know more, contact her at Fiscallyfree7@gmail.com. Do not allow debt to keep you from your future. A free consultation is yours!



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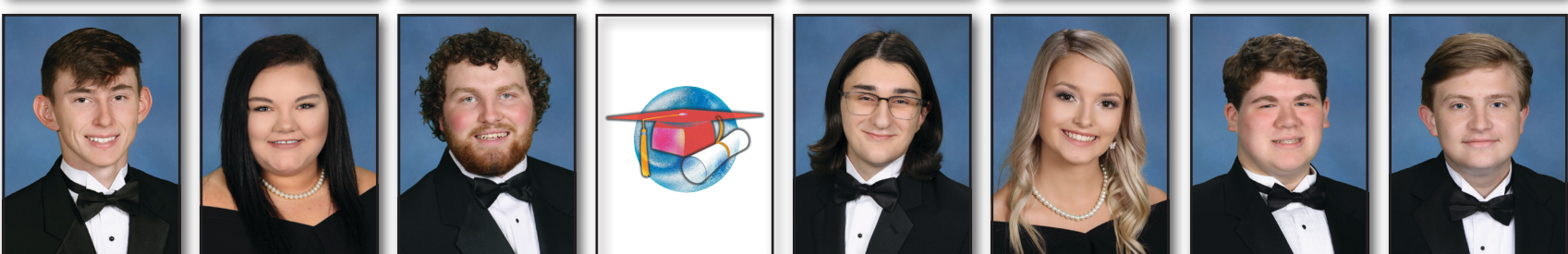
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Saturday, April 30

William David McCullough, 45, 45284 Dixie Avenue, Callahan: Flee & Elude Police Officer; Trafficking Methamphetamine over 14 grams; Possession of Marijuana less than 20 grams; Possession of Drug Paraphernalia with Residue; Driving While License Suspended with Knowledge

Wednesday, May 4

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Frances Caroline Hodges Hinson, 90, of Hilliard, moved from this temporary life into Glorious Eternity with her Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ on May 5, 2022. She was born on January 12, 1932 in Hilliard, daughter of George and Eleanor Guinn Hodges.

Caroline was a lifelong resident of Hilliard, and a member of Buford Grove Baptist Church. She was married to the love of her life, Marvin O. Hinson, Sr. for 60 years. Together, Marvin and Caroline raised six children in a wonderful, loving and Christian home. Her faith and family brought her the greatest blessings. Caroline was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother, sister and aunt.

Caroline was predeceased by her husband, Marvin on March 31, 2007; her parents; her grandson Rowland (Peanut) Haddock, Jr.; and her siblings Harry Guinn, Alline Bird, Carl Lane, Juanita Clark Tomlinson, Theodore Hodges, Harry Hodges, Jesse Hodges and James Hodges.

Those left to cherish her memory are her children, Annette (Tom) Sheehan, Robert (Darlene) Hinson, Lois (Ed) Rad, Marilyn Massey, Marvin Hinson, Jr. and Billy (Wendy) Hinson; 15 grandchildren; 23 great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; a sister-in-law Dot Hodges; and numerous much loved nieces and nephews.

A celebration of Caroline's life was held Monday, May 9 at Buford Grove Baptist Church. The family received friends prior to the service.

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JEAN HODGES MIZELL
Mrs. Jean Hodges Mizell, of Callahan, passed away peacefully, Saturday, May 7, 2022, surrounded by her husband and sons, after a courageous battle with Parkinson's Disease. She was born May 18, 1935 to Walter Willis Hodges, Jr. and Helen Beasley Hodges in Jacksonville. Mrs. Mizell lived her entire 86 years on her family farm on Hodges Road in Callahan. She enjoyed telling her grandchildren and great-grandchildren stories from her childhood when her mother made her dresses by hand from feed sacks.

Mrs. Mizell attended Callahan High School, where she met her future husband, Dorman, during the crowning of the king and queen of Halloween. She was in eighth grade at the time and he was a senior. Mrs. Mizell graduated from Callahan High School in 1953 and married Dorman shortly after her 18th birthday. After they married, Dorman joined her father in the family business, Hodges Poultry Farm. The farm produced eggs and chicks for 85 years and employed five generations of the Hodges and Mizell families.

Mr. Dorman and Mrs. Jean raised four sons, and have been Grandma and Grandpa to 11 grandchildren, and 22 great-grandchildren. Their marriage of nearly 69 years has been an example of faith, true love and devotion. Mrs. Mizell will be remembered as a genuine Southern lady who always showed grace and love toward others. Faith was very important to Mrs. Mizell. She was a lifelong member of

Callahan First Baptist Church of Callahan. She also carried on her family legacy by being a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution, the United Daughters of the Confederacy, the West Nassau Genealogical Society and the Order of the Eastern Star. More than anything else, she loved spending time with her family.

Mrs. Mizell is survived by her husband Dorman; sons Clyde (Lucy) Mizell, Larry (Ann) Mizell, Mike Mizell and Walt (Denise) Mizell; grandchildren Stephen (Heidi) Mizell, Ronnie Hammer, Jason (Trina) Mizell, Adam (Carrie) Mizell, Amy (Kevin) Green, Justin (Regina) Mizell, Emily (Tommy) Geiger, Luke (Krystie) Mizell, Kayla Mizell, Devin (Erica) Mizell and Grant Mizell; and 22 great-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends Thursday, May 12 at Callahan First Baptist Church at

10 a.m. prior to the funeral service at 11 a.m. with Dr. Stephen Mizell officiating. Burial will follow at Keen Cemetery. Arrangements by Callahan Funeral Home, 879-2336.

JAMES NATHANIEL SMITH
James Nathaniel Smith, 25, of Jacksonville, passed away Friday, April 29, 2022 in Macclenny. James was born on March 17, 1997 in Jacksonville to the late Michelle Mosakowski and Franklin Smith.

He is survived by his bonus family (dad) Brian Hickox, (mom) Rapsodie; brothers Dylan and Devin and his sister Bre; and his father Franklin Smith; as well as many other family members and friends. He is preceded in death by his mother Michelle Mosakowski; and his grandparents Rhonda and Wayne Strickland and Amy Dean.

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Hilliard Town News

Dawn S. West

The Hilliard Town Council met Thursday night for their first meeting of May. The first order of business was a presentation from Mr. Milton Locklear, representing the North Florida TPO (Transportation Planning Organization). Normally, the TPO discusses any types of road improvements, pavings, etc. This presentation, however, was all about the Hilliard Airpark including: land purchase along Eastwood Road; Master Plan update (aviation capacity); new tractor and attachments; new hangars; construction of hangars; security fencing for newly acquired land; and construction and realignment of Pea Farm Road beyond the runway.

The first order of business was to set a joint workshop with the council, Planning & Zoning Board and Land Use Administrator Janis Fleet. The workshop will be held Tuesday, May 24 at 6 p.m. The workshop will be held to review and discuss the proposed amendments to the Zoning and Land Development Regulations. The council was to receive a copy of the draft amendments Friday, May 6 to be able to look them over to be familiar with the amendments prior to the workshop.

In other business, Fleet advised the council that she needed direction concerning the installation of culverts without construction of a building. "Should they be questioned as what the culvert is for?" asked Fleet.

Councilman Lee Pickett responded, "I don't think we need to ask information. Some people want culverts all the way around their property. We don't need to know."

The council agreed with Pickett.

Fleet also questioned the council about Requiring Paved Streets in Previously Platted Subdivisions; and also about the process for approving Infrastructure Improvements for Development. The conversation between Fleet and the council continued for close to an hour before the council decided to table the items and discuss it in the upcoming workshop on

May 24.

The following agenda item concerned Parks & Recreation Director Gabe Whittenburg presenting an update regarding the progress of the department through March 2022. "The fitness center has had 4,055 visits; last year at this time, 3,142; Individual members are 270; last year 236," said Whittenburg. "There was a 69% increase in participation from the last winter sports season. After school revenue is up from last year; as is the Silver Sneakers from 410 attendance last year to 442 attendance this year."

Whittenburg also requested approval to start looking for seasonal Summer Temporary staff. The council approved the request.

The next item, Whittenburg requested approval to purchase new fitness equipment. "This is a budgeted item and we do have 3 quotes," said Whittenburg. "I recommend Strength Depot at a cost of \$9,461, which is under budget." The council approved the recommendation.

In other business, the council approved the payable for Dixon Tree and Lawn Service for mowing of Town Right of Ways in the amount of \$8,750.

The next agenda item, was also approved, which concerned paying Superior Design Pools & Spas, Inc. \$26,528 for the swimming pool marcite project on the town pool.

The final item concerned the company responsible for disposing of the Town's Class B biosolids. The company, H & H Inc. has handled the disposal for the town for some 14 years and they have had a price increase. The price was \$725 and will now be \$1,650 per 30-yard load. After discussion, the council approved the increase stating, "We have to have it."

Public Works Director Ritchie Rowe stated, "I will check to see if there are any other haulers, but we have had a great deal for many years."

The next town meeting will be held Thursday, May 19 at 7 p.m.





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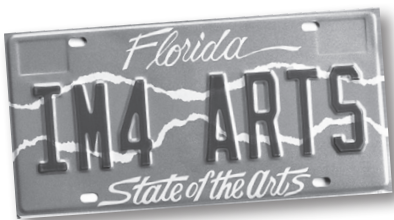
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