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Monday, June 14

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HOMETOWN PEOPLE...HOMETOWN NEWS

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Concerned residents and churches have rallied to help in some way. "Currently, we are looking at approximately 34 families. We are looking for people that have vacant property (to move a trailer on), rental

homes or trailers, etc.," said Lee Anne Wollitz, Hilliard resident spearheading the search. "We're also looking for people that move mobile homes, as we do not know what is involved. Many of the homes cannot be moved but some can. At this point, we just need lots of information of who has what? And who can help out and in what way?"

If you have any property, rental apartments or homes, let us know. The group is also looking at other churches and non-profits that might have some helpful information. For more information or to give some much needed information email Lee Anne at: lee.anne@rivers-edgechurch.com.

US Flag Retirement Monday

Dawn S. West

Many of us, as Americans, are really finding it hard to believe that our United States of America is in such disarray. However, through it all, our God has remained faithful and our American Flags have flown proud. Many of our readers continually bring in worn and tethered American Flags to us for proper disposal. This is a special time for you to come out and actually witness the proper way to dispose of the American Flag. Monday, June 14 at 7:30 p.m. at the Callahan Speedway, an Official US Flag Retirement Ceremony, which is a US Government Sanctioned ceremony, will be held. The event is free to all. If

you have never been it is quite a tribute to our flags. The American Flag is to be respected and honored at all times. This is a great opportunity for students, of all ages, to witness.

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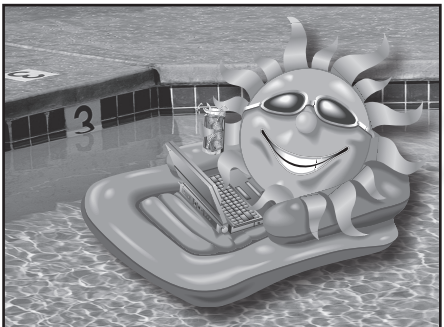
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Letters to the Editor

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Carpenter Update!

Dear Editor,
Hello to our friends in Callahan! Just wanted to say hello! We moved from Callahan to Marion, Indiana about a year ago. As much as we loved Callahan and Florida, we also love our new home in Indiana. We are "grandparents-in-residence," living right next door to our son and his wife and their 5 sweet children, ages 3 to 13. Being involved in their daily lives is a huge blessing. It's fun to be able to celebrate special occasions and holidays with family. What a treat!

We are loving and serving the Lord with our new church family. Tim is an encouragement and mentor to the young pastors, and I am leading kids worship on Sunday mornings. We also became CASA volunteers (Court-Appointed Special Advocates) and are working together on our first case. We helped organize

a block party. We love our new neighbors and the camaraderie on Ironwood Drive!

Tim golfed all winter long in the simulator room he created. He works hard on maintaining our new home and is the family shopper. He built an "off the ground" garden and the seeds are up! I, "Mrs. Kate," continue singing, smiling and sewing in her creative studio. I connected with a local producer and have started recording again. Venues are starting to book concerts and my summer concert calendar is filling up.

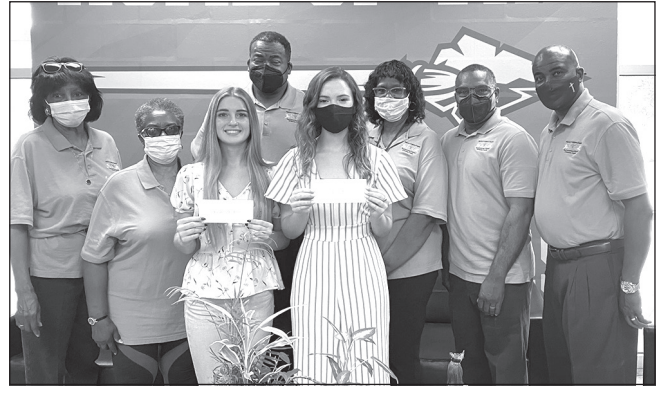
We love keeping up with y'all on Facebook and often pray for the Callahan requests we find there. Here comes a big Hug-a-Bug-a-Boo from us to you!

"Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good." Romans 12:21

Love in Jesus,
Kate and Tim Carpenter

Scholarships Awarded

The Patricia V. Williams Chapter of the Concerned Citizens of Nassau County is happy to announce the winners of the 2021 Scholarship Awards. This year the group was able to provide two scholarships to very deserving students.



Abigail Fahlgren, of West Nassau High School, has dreams of obtaining her certification in Phlebotomy and continuing in her quest in obtaining a Nurse Practitioner Degree. She will be attending the University of North Florida in Jacksonville.

Destiny Armstrong, also of West Nassau, has a love for leading and performing. She has hopes of following her dreams in the Entertainment and the Business arena. She will attend the University of Central Florida in Orlando.

Each year, the Patricia V. Williams Chapter of Concerned Citizens of Nassau County sponsors a scholarship award project. We encourage any high school graduate to pick up an application at your school and apply before April 30 of that year.

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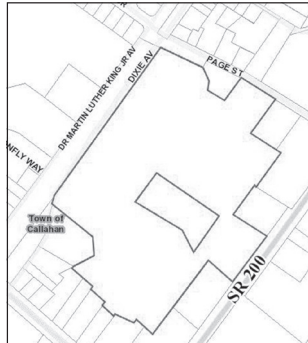


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The Town of Callahan Planning & Zoning Board will have a Public Hearing for a Site Plan Review for

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Monday, June 14, 2021 at 7 p.m.



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Monday, June 21, 2021 at 7 p.m.

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Interested Persons may appear and be heard at the Hearing. Site plan will be available for review at Town Hall.

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Callahan Town News



Dawn S. West

The Callahan Town Council met Monday night for their first meeting of June. The first order of business was a special proclamation for Wanda Lanier, CEO of the Barnabas Center concerning her retirement. Mayor Matthew Davis read the proclamation which included: Wanda Lanier began at the Barnabas Center as CEO in June 2010. She has helped many people and given hope to citizens longing for it. She has received multiple awards for her excellent leadership skills with the Barnabas Center. She has led by example, helped so many people and has changed lives throughout the county. Wanda Lanier will officially retire Wednesday, June 30, 2021. "I have enjoyed this journey but I couldn't have done anything without this team of people behind me," said Lanier. "What a joy it has been to serve."

In other business, Milton Locklear, representing the North Florida Transportation Improvement Program was on hand for his yearly presentation. These are a few of the projects on the radar for the Callahan area: River Road from CR 121 to US Highway 1, 10.952 miles, Pave Shoulders, scheduled for 2021/22, cost \$246,018; SR 200 (A1A) from Griffin Road to I-95, 5.055 miles, Resurfacing, scheduled for 2022/2023, cost \$9,857,712; SR 200 from Stratton Road to Griffin Road, 6.145 miles, Resurfacing, scheduled for 2021/22, cost \$13,365,528; and US 301 at Crawford

Road, New Interchange, scheduled for 2021/22, cost \$354,568. The North Florida TPO will meet Thursday, June 10 to vote on these and other road projects.

The next agenda item concerned choosing an attorney. Councilwoman Janet Shaw recommended continuing with interim Attorney Christian Waugh. Councilwoman Jacquelyn Fleming agreed with Shaw's recommendation. Waugh recommended that he would be assistant attorney and Reba Pearce, part of the Waugh/Grant Firm, would be the Callahan Town Attorney. The council approved Reba Pearce as the new Callahan Town Attorney.

Two ordinances were approved on first reading. Ordinance 2021-002 was approved which concerned repealing Article III of Chapter 162 of the Town Code concerning Business Tax Receipts. There will be no more tax receipts for businesses.

Ordinance 2021-003 was also approved which concerned amending Section 102-31.1A to increase some of the Fire Safety Inspection Fees.

In closing comments Mayor Davis reminded the council about the upcoming Fireworks on July 3 as the town partners with Hilliard. He also advised the council he had talked with Code Enforcement Office Mary Murdock concerning overgrown ponds, condemned properties, etc. "Mary has already written up warnings concerning all the ponds she is now working on the properties," said Davis.

Councilwoman Shaw advised the council that Keep Nassau Beautiful members had planted three new trees at Ewing Park. She also advised the cameras for the park will be installed soon and she has found a reasonable offer for the lighting. "Things are coming along, it just takes time," said Shaw.

The next council meeting will be Monday, June 21 at 7 p.m.

JUST MY OPINION

Roger R. West

They have always said (whoever 'they' are) that the truth will come out. I do believe there is some truth beginning to slowly emerge from the depth of the corrupt medical and pharmaceutical world. Let there be no mistake that COVID is real. The question has been how and where and why. The where is fairly certain, the virus came from the Wuhan Lab in China, not from a wet market selling bat soup. The only question is was it accidentally released or was it some diabolical scheme of experimenting with biological warfare, or Bill Gates' declaration that the world needs to be depopulated, or could it be a pharmaceutical gold mine?

Regardless of how, where and why we now know for fact what many of us including hundreds and hundreds of medical experts have been saying for the past year, that is that Dr. Anthony Fauci is a lying conniving murderous individual. He should be put away never to see the light of day again. With the release of thousands of Fauci's emails some truths have emerged proving Fauci lied about many of the aspects of the virus. He along with other health experts claimed it (virus) was a natural occurrence even though there was information to support their determined origin.

As the lies kept building, our country began suffering needlessly. The mask mandates that Fauci urged political leaders mandate was basically hogwash. This corrupt man is the primary reason our children were forced to wear masks all day in school, people of every walk of life were doing harm to themselves by wearing masks, isolating themselves, closing down many businesses, all the while Fauci knew that the common mask was not a barrier for the virus. Fauci stated in an email, "The typical

mask you buy in a drug store is not really effective in keeping out virus, which is small enough to pass through the material." In the same email he told the recipient, "I do not recommend that you wear a mask, particularly since you are going to a very low risk location. Your instincts are correct; money is best spent on medical countermeasures such as diagnostics and Vaccines." This was in February 2020. He along with the pharmaceutical giants were already looking at the gold mine.

Emails also show that Fauci was advised by Erik Nilsen, a physicist and CEO of Bio-Signal Technologies in March 2020, that two drugs could possibly help battle the coronavirus pandemic, but Fauci ignored it, stating the email was "too long" for him to read. Nilsen claimed that his colleagues on the front line had found that ciclesonide is an effective treatment for late-stage COVID-19 patients. Nilsen stated, "some patients on ventilators who were approaching death have fully recovered after treatment with ciclesonide," noting ciclesonide has much smaller particles than other corticosteroids, so it reaches deeper into the lungs and alveoli's." Nilsen claimed there was a second drug that could possibly be used which he advised his own family to get. He told Fauci the drug "hydroxychloroquine seems to be effective and safe."

So why is the medical community not allowed to treat patients here in America with these two drugs? My belief is that these two treatment options are inexpensive, widely available and they work. With that being said, there would not be a need for a vaccine and the pharmaceutical giant's gold mine would disappear. The pharmaceutical companies dictate the medical arena.

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



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Many years ago, in the early hours of the morning, I was called to make a visit to the emergency room at the downtown Baptist Hospital. While I was there spending time with one of the families from our church, I met a Florida Highway Patrolman who was standing in the hallway. During our conversation I found out that he too, was a Christian. While we were speaking, he asked me if I had ever heard the phrase PUSH? I had no idea what he was talking about. I guess I was thinking he was leading up to some kind of a joke. So, I asked him what he meant. He said that it means Pray Until Something Happens. After all these years, I have never forgotten the phrase PUSH.

We all go through times that we find ourselves in situations that we are not sure how to handle. We determine that we need God's help. The first thing we do is stop and pray for God's help, wisdom or intervention depending on our need. We simply put our trust in God that He will answer our prayers. Most of us know that Prayer is one of the greatest tools that we Christians have at our disposal. We have even heard it said that, "Prayer changes things." But too often we say a prayer and if we don't see results right away, we give up and say, "it must not be God's will." I want you to know that the Bible teaches us to be persistent in our prayers (PUSH).

Jesus even took time to tell His disciples a parable about a persistent widow in Luke 18:1-8: "Then Jesus told his disciples a parable to show them that they should always pray and not give up. He said: 'In a certain town there was a judge who neither feared God nor cared about men. And there was a widow in that town who kept coming to him with the plea, 'Grant me justice against my adversary.' 'For some time he refused. But finally he said to himself, 'Even though I don't fear God or care about men, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will see that she gets justice, so that she won't eventually wear me out with her coming!' " And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God bring about justice for his chosen ones, who cry out to him day and night? Will he keep putting them off? I tell you, he will see that they get justice, and quickly. However, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on the earth?" (NIV84)

Just because you don't see the answer right away, don't give up. Keep on praying until God tells you no, or you get your breakthrough. Be persistent in your prayers (PUSH). Remember we are often fighting spiritual battles in our prayers and the enemy may be holding back the answer. In Daniel 10:13, Daniel experienced the hindrance to his prayers because of the attack of the enemy. As a result, God had to send Michael one of the chief angels to get the answer to Daniel's prayers through.

So, as I close today, let me encourage you to keep on praying and don't give up, (PUSH) Pray Until Something Happens!

Jones Cemetery Annual Meeting

The annual meeting of the Jones Cemetery Association will be held Friday, June 11 at the Callahan County building on Mickler Street at 7 p.m. We will be electing new officers at this meeting. As you know, we were unable to meet in 2020 due to COVID, so we really need your attendance and participation in decisions for the coming year. If you are not a member of the association but have an interest in the cemetery, we welcome you to join us. Officers and directors will meet at 6 p.m.

Country Star Quilt Guild Meeting Monday

What a hot and busy spring this has been for Country Star Quilt Guild! Our next meeting will be Monday, June 14 at The Anchor Church of God in Callahan. We will be installing our new slate of officers for 2021/2022 and also enjoy a BBQ dinner.



In addition, we have many projects in the works such as our VA Quilt that will be presented to the VA Nursing Home in Lake City later this year. Our annual Raffle Quilt is also being put together

as we speak. If you should have an interest in quilting, we would love to have you join our meetings at The Anchor Church of God, on US 1 south of Callahan, the second Monday night of each month at 6:30 p.m. or our sit and sew sessions on the second and fourth Friday from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. each month. Please check out our website at www.countrystarquilters.org for details or changes.

Bryceville Community Club to Resume Meetings

The Bryceville Community Club will resume their monthly meetings on Tuesday, June 15 at 11 a.m. at the Bryceville Community Center on Motes Road. The guest speaker will be from the Nassau County Department of Health

and the topic will be related to COVID 19. There will NOT be a covered dish luncheon at this meeting. Snacks will be available, but members are asked to not bring food. Future luncheons will be discussed as part of the meeting.

CHURCH NEWS

Summer Outdoor Garage Sale Saturday, June 12, at Our Lady of Consolation Catholic Church, 541668 US Hwy. 1, Callahan, from 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. in the back Church parking lot. Vendors, breakfast/lunch/bake goods for sale with the huge outdoor garage sale. For more information call (904) 879-3662.

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Hilliard Town News

Dawn S. West

The Hilliard Town Council met Thursday night for their first regular meeting of June. The first order of business was the approval of the payment for Smart Quality Lawn Care in the amount of \$5500. This is for the mowing of the town right of ways.

Hilliard resident, Veteran and business owner Bobby Franklin requested a donation for the upcoming Veterans Appreciation Ceremony. "I know last year the council donated \$2,000. As we all know, prices have increased so I am asking for \$2,500 for this year's ceremony," said Franklin. "We had a good turnout last year even though it was planned late so I'm expecting a better one this year."

Councilman Kenny Sims made the motion, "To donate \$2,000, as that is what we (council) already budgeted for." The council approved donating \$2000 for the Veterans Day Ceremony.

In other business, the council approved signing the Cooperative Purchasing Agreement in the event of a Disaster with Phillips & Jordan, Inc. without the attached numbers.

Parks & Recreation Director Gabe Whittenburg gave an update regarding current Parks & Recreation programs. "Gymnastics was huge and the teams will finish up with two shows on Saturday. We just finished Flag Football sign-ups and have 72 players, which went up from last year," said Whittenburg.

"Currently the Summer Camp has 32 children (up from 18). We sent our camp information to all the schools,

which really helped our attendance. I will also be having week-long Football Camp and also a Tennis Camp. I'm looking forward to seeing how these go! Our pool is open and people are coming and using it as these temperatures start to climb."

The next item Hilliard Attorney Christian Waugh advised the council that a Resolution or Ordinance needed to be decided concerning an alleyway impeding what a resident wants to do. "There is nothing in the town charter concerning alleyways and easements through property. We currently have a resident that has that problem," said Waugh. "The Planning & Zoning Board does not have anything to go by either. I would suggest a joint meeting with the council and PZ Board. If you direct me, I will work on a standardized resolution of ordinance, as this issue could come up again."

The council set up a joint workshop with the PZ Board for June 8 at 7 p.m.

In closing comments, Hilliard resident Lee Anne Wollitz requested that the council permit the resident, that has been so patient, the approval for his building. "Also on another subject, do we know how many residents live in the Pine Street Trailer Park?" asked Wollitz.

"We have 32 active water accounts," said Town Clerk Lisa Purvis.

"We are currently looking to find a way to help these people to find another place to live," added Wollitz.

The next regular meeting of the council will be Thursday, June 17 at 7 p.m.

Genealogy Tidbits

Claude Arpen

It's vacation time and if you are looking for something to do nearby, you might consider what is happening in St. Augustine. St. Johns County is celebrating 200 years of existence this year. St. Johns County was created in 1821 when Florida became a territory of the United States. There will be a Historic Florida Militia Encampment and a Transfer of Flags Ceremony July 9-10 in St. Augustine. Visit the website: sjc200.com for a list of all events, activities and programs.

In 1822, Duval County was created from St. Johns County. Over the next 50 years the counties of Alachua, Clay, Hamilton and Nassau were created from Duval County. Genealogy and history walk hand in hand as history tells the national history and genealogy tells the family history.

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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New Beginnings and Milestones

Judy Lovvorn Celebrates 101st Birthday

Judy Lovvorn, of Callahan, celebrated her 101st birthday Tuesday, June 8, 2021. She is a resident of Hilliard Life Care and is a retired Bookkeeper. She is also a lover of nature, flowers, vegetables and animals. Flowers, balloons and visitors were her celebration for such a milestone. She received a box from her church, Callahan First United Methodist Church with 101 signed birthday cards to help her celebrate! What a very special blessing!

She has two daughters Carolyn of Salt Lake City and Marjie of Callahan; six grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and 10 great-great-grandchildren.



Silas Ancil Coxwell

Eli and Samantha Coxwell, of Callahan, are pleased to announce the birth of their son Silas Ancil Coxwell. Silas was born April 28, 2021 at 5:40 a.m. at Baptist Hospital Jacksonville. He weighed 7 pounds 7 ounces and measured 20.5" inches.

Maternal grandparents are Carmine and Richard Collazo, Sr. of St. Petersburg.

Paternal grandparents are Melissa and Ashley Coxwell of Callahan.



CMS Celebrates Sandra Giles

Wednesday, June 2, administration and faculty of Callahan Middle School joined in a celebration of 36 years of service for Mrs. Sandra Giles. Sandra began her career at Callahan Middle School as a teacher for 16 years; then went to Hilliard Middle-Senior High School as Guidance Counselor for 13 years; only to return to Callahan Middle for the remaining 7 years as Guidance Counselor. "Social media is a huge influence on all these students which makes teaching more challenging," said Sandra. "There's been good and bad days but I've never dreaded coming to work. I've worked under three different Superintendents; 9 Principals; and probably about 7500 students!"

Sandra and her husband Mike plan to travel the country in their RV. "We also have 8 grandchildren (7 boys, 1 girl) so we're looking forward to spending time with them," added Sandra.



S.C.V. Holds State Reunion

The Florida Division, Sons of Confederate Veterans, held their 51st Annual Division Reunion in Ocala, on June 4-6, 2021. A highlight to the event was the presentation of a special award to Commander Calvin Hart, Kirby-Smith Camp 1209, for his leadership and direction of the 2020 National S.C.V. Reunion hosted by the Kirby-Smith Camp 1209.

Florida Division Commander Kelly Crocker read the names that make up the "Last Roll Call," members of the Sons of Confederate Veterans, Florida Division, that have passed away during the past 12 months. The sound of a bell tolled, as each of the 21 names were read.



Pictured (l to r) are: Chris Bunton, Frank Kello, Rick Roberts, Cmdr. Calvin Hart, Chris Elands, Kim Hoffecker, Mark Sizemore and Frank Marjenhoff.

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CES Retirees Celebrate



Shown (l to r) are Alma Williamson, Lisa Emanuel and Kristi Nighbert.

Dawn S. West

Callahan Elementary School held a celebration for three retirees, Lisa Emanuel, Kristi Nighbert and Alma Williamson last Thursday. The CES cafeteria was filled with coworkers wishing them all well wishes for their future.

Mrs. Lisa Emanuel retired following 21 years of service as a Speech Language Pathologist. Lisa was instrumental not only in the classroom but also working with some children in

their homes. "Now it is a little easier to help these children because they can be diagnosed at a much younger age," said Lisa. "Before we had to wait until they were about 5 years old. Now they can be tested at 6 months. I'm going to miss the children and my coworkers but I'm ready!" Lisa and her husband have

transformed an old bus into an RV and plan on traveling!

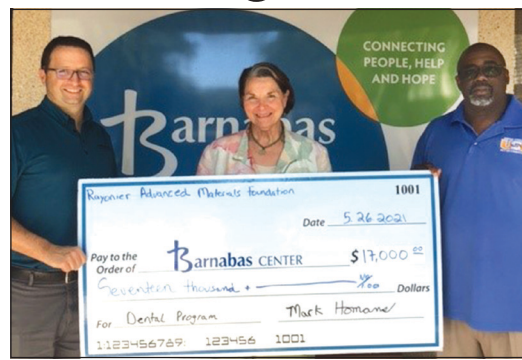
Mrs. Kristi Nighbert is celebrating her retirement after 30 years of service all at Callahan Elementary School. She began her career as a paraprofessional and worked her way up to Data Entry. "What a wonderful experience it has been," said Kristi. "I love my CES family and children."

Kristi and her husband plan on traveling and seeing this beautiful country we live in. They have already

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made one trip out west and loved it!

Mrs. Alma Eleby Bailey Williamson says farewell to CES after 36 years of service, with most of the years at CES. Alma served as the Physical Education instructor and the children love her. She leaves behind quite a legacy of events. She was instrumental in starting the Jump Rope for Heart Program that has turned into a fun time for the entire school. She also started a Run/Walk Club for the students to participate one day a week after school. One final program is the Annual Grinch Run,

which 2020 they celebrated the 10th year. The Grinch Run is held right before Christmas break and involves students, faculty and parents. "This has been a very rewarding experience. It's been a lot of fun and I'm so thankful for all the support I've had through the years," said Alma. "I couldn't have done this without the support I've received. I'm thankful for my late friend Rose Way who was my mentor. I miss her so."

Alma plans to just relax first off and next to enjoy her first granddaughter that was born last Friday!



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Friday, May 28

Jack Terrell Creamer, 54, Callahan: Violation of Probation Community Control Felony

Monday, May 31

Jimmy Crews, Jr., 53, Callahan: Out of County Warrant

Tuesday, June 1

Clayton Tyler Crews, 22, Hilliard: Failure to Appear (x 2)

Wednesday, June 2

Jimmy Ricky Gee, 58, Callahan: Possession of Weapon by Convicted Felon; Possession Schedule 1-5 Substance; Possession of Methamphetamine; Possession Marijuana less than 20 grams; Sex Offender Failure to Register; Possession of Drug Paraphernalia with Residue; Driving with License Suspended with Knowledge 1st Conviction

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RONALD D. BROUGHTON, SR.



Ronald 'Ronnie' Dewayne Broughton, Sr., 72, of Jacksonville, passed away on June 2, 2021. He was born on December 29, 1948 in Jacksonville, to Floyd Broughton and Elizabeth Murray Broughton. Ronnie proudly served in the United States Marine Corps from 1966-1969. During that time, he served in Vietnam and was honorably discharged at the end of his enlistment. He then went on to work as a diesel machinist for the Seaboard Coast Line Railroad. He enjoyed supporting the Florida State Seminoles and the friendly rivalry among his Florida Gator family members. Ronnie will be dearly missed by all who knew him. He was preceded in death by his parents; and siblings.

Ronnie is survived by his son Ronald (Shannon) Broughton, Jr.; grandchildren Austin Broughton and Brittany Broughton; bonus son Timothy McCall; lifetime friend and special care taker Laura Graham; and many extended family members and close friends.

The family will receive friends Wednesday, June 9 from 6-8 p.m. at Nassau Funeral Home. A Celebration of Ronnie's life will be held Thursday, June 10 at 11 a.m. also at the funeral home with Dr. E. Winson Butler officiating.

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

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RONALD ANTHONY HARRISON

Ronald Anthony Harrison passed away on June 4, 2021 at Community Hospice Warner Center. Mr. Harrison was born on July 14, 1964 in Rolla, Missouri. Mr. Harrison served in the U.S. Navy and was an active member of Lannie Road Baptist Church, where he was the youth and

Nursing Home Minister.

He was preceded in death by his father Ronald D. Harrison; grandmother Ruby Brookshire; grandfather Andrew L. Patton; nephew Devin Todd Harrison; and grandparents Irma and Dale Harrison.

Survivors include his wife Debbie Harrison; daughter Amanda Harrison; son Keith Hasse; mother Pat (Mike) Nowicki; brother Todd (Deanna) Harrison; sister Tamara (Larry) Stowers; Aunt Nancy (Marty) Clary; and many nieces, nephews and grandchildren.

The family received friends prior to the funeral service held Tuesday, June 8 at Lannie Road Baptist Church.

Condolences may be expressed at www.callahanfh.com.

ANNA CONTRERAS HOGAN



Anna Marie Contreras Hogan, 37, of Folkston, Georgia, passed away peacefully May 30, 2021, at her home. Anna was born on

August 21, 1983 in St. Landry, Louisiana, to Lawanda Roach and Steven Roach of Folkston, Georgia. Anna had a passion for taking something old and bringing it back to life in a way others could not. She loved antiques and fixing these things with her children.

Anna is survived by five children, Tylor Hogan, Kansas Hogan, Raven Weller, Layla Hogan and Luscious Hogan; extended children Chandler Hogan and Miranda Hogan; one grandson Chase Hogan; her mother Lawanda Roach and father Steven Roach; two sisters Alicia Contreras Hogan and Ricky Smith; two nieces Lacy and Ava Pearson; as well as many other family members.

A celebration of life was held, in honor of Anna, Monday, June 7 at Shepard-Roberson Funeral Home. The family received friends prior to the service.

Memorialization was by cremation.

Condolences may be expressed at www.shepardfh.com.

Arrangements by Shepard-Roberson Funeral Home, Folkston Georgia.

LINDA KAY KILGORE



Linda Kay Kilgore, 55, of Hilliard, passed away May 29, 2021 at her residence. She was born in Jacksonville, on September 15, 1965 to the late

Charles Augusta Haines, Jr. and Georgia Mae McCoy Haines. Linda was raised in Jacksonville and relocated a few times before settling down in Hilliard, which was her forever home. Linda was known for her caring heart and love for others. She never met a stranger, was always friendly, and would help anyone in need. She was a caregiver for many throughout her life and when she wasn't tending to others, Linda enjoyed baking, cooking, eating her favorite food, boiled eggs. But most of all, Linda loved spending time with her family. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband of four years John Henry Kilgore, Sr.; her brother David Ray Haines; and sister Naomi Adams.

Linda is survived by her loving daughter Amanda (James Greenway) Haines of Hilliard; brothers Charles Haines of Crawfordville and Timothy (Keisha) Haines of Georgetown, TN; sisters Donna Fay Hand of Jacksonville, Judy Marie (Jeff) Taylor of Glen St. Mary and Nancy Ann (John) Dixon of Nahunta, GA; along with many nieces, nephews, and extended family members.

The family will receive friends Friday, June 11 from 3-4 p.m. prior to the Celebration of life service at 4 p.m. at Ferreira Funeral Services Chapel with Pastor Bruce Cubbedge officiating.

Arrangements by V. Todd Ferreira Funeral Services, Macclenny, (904) 259-5700.

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

JOHN ALAN KITCHKA



John Alan Kitchka, 77, of Callahan, passed away on June 6, 2021. He was born on February 8, 1944, in Muskegon, Michigan to Charles and Gladys Kitchka. John worked as a pulp mill worker for a total of 35 years with St. Regis Paper, Jacksonville Kraft and Seminole Kraft. John served honorably in the United States Navy from 1961-1965 and was aboard the USS Farragut, stationed out of Mayport, Florida. He was preceded in death by his parents; and a brother Charles Kitchka.

John is survived by his loving wife of

57 years, Wanda Quinn Kitchka; daughters Deanna (Jim) Webb of Horseshoe Beach and Christina M. Kitchka of Callahan; son John Alan (Tammy) Kitchka of Yulee; brothers Mike Kitchka, Robert Kitchka and David Kitchka; 10 grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

A Celebration of John's life was held Wednesday, June 9 at Nassau Funeral Home with Pastor Anthony Rister officiating. Interment followed at Green Pine Cemetery. The family received friends prior to the service.

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

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RALPH ROBERT MASTERS, SR.



Ralph Robert Masters, Sr., 69, of Hilliard, passed away on May 31, 2021. He was born and raised in Jacksonville, to Ralph Wallace (Wally) Masters and Estelle Rebecca Newell Masters Surrency.

Ralph graduated from Paxon High School Class of 1971. He went on to college for a short period of time with no degree. He worked for the US Post Office as a Diesel Mechanic for 20 years. He also worked for NASCAR as an official for over 25 years. Ralph was inducted into the Jax Raceway Hall of Fame in 2018. He has stood on the car haulers with the race car legends watching the races and has been in and out of the garages of NASCAR rubbing elbows with the same racing legends. Ralph grew up in the racing circuit starting out at the old Jax racetrack on Lenox Avenue. His dad built many winning cars for several legendary drivers, Tiny Lund, Leroy Yarbrough, Herb Spivey, David Ezel, Speedy Spires, just to name a few. Ralph was loved, very well known, and respected throughout the racing circuit. He never thought being a NASCAR official as a job because he loved it so much. An old saying "If you love what you do, it's never a job." Ralph was a great husband, father, brother, grandfather, and uncle. He was loved by so many and will be missed greatly.

Ralph is survived by his spouse of 44 years, Diane Marie Pennala Masters; children Ralph Robert (Bubu) Masters, II, Anita Marie Masters (Robert) Burton and Jason Aaron (Megan) Masters; six grandchildren, Adam Kyle Burton, Gary Michael Burton, Veronica Leanne Burton, Bret Alan McClain, Alaina Marie Cook and Ethan Scot Masters; sisters Linda Carolyn Masters (Johnny) Collins and Rebecca Pearl (Earl) Surrency Nettles; brothers James Alfred (Mary Ann) Masters, Riley Ozy Surrency (former wife Sherry) (current wife Shannon); brothers-in-law Christopher Charles Pennala and Robert Lee (Krystal) Humphreys; sister-in-law Deborah Pennala Hughes Fowler; and several nieces, nephews and other family members.

A Celebration of Ralph's life was held Monday, June 7 at Lannie Road Baptist Church with Pastor Buddy Wimberly officiating. Interment followed at Verdie Cemetery in Bryceville. The family received friends prior to service.

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LAMAR EDWARD NELSON



Lamar Edward Nelson, 86, of Callahan, passed away Monday, June 7, 2021, in Jacksonville, following a lengthy illness. He was born May 4, 1935 in Hilliard, to the late Zack Lonzy Nelson and Annie 'Blossom' Chesser Nelson. He proudly served his country in the US Air Force. He retired from General Motors EMD Division after 40 years of service.

In addition to his parents; he was preceded in death by his wife Betty Lou Thomas Nelson; and his siblings Earl Nelson, Lindsey Nelson, Wilma Guinn, Gladys Rowell, Della Hand and Beulah Burch.

He is survived by his children Vickie Lynn Nelson (David) Henderson, Kimberly Sue Nelson Foster and Marty Lamar (Cheryl) Nelson; grandchildren Jessica Marie (Benny) Logan, Joshua David Henderson, Montie David Foster, Brittany Ann Foster, Mylon (Kristen) Nelson and Stephanie Marie Nelson; six great-grandchildren; a sister Hazel Nelson Barker; and a number of nieces, nephews and other relatives.

The family will receive friends Saturday, June 12 from 2-3:30 p.m. at Shepard-Roberson Funeral Home followed by a graveside service at 4 p.m. in Oakwood Cemetery with Abraham Lincoln Nelson officiating.

Condolences may be expressed at www.shepardfh.com.

Arrangements by Shepard-Roberson Funeral Home, Folkston.

ELIZABETH WRIGHT TISDALE



Elizabeth Wright Tisdale, of Covington, Georgia, passed away on Sunday, May 30, 2021. She was born December 27, 1929 in Blackshear, Georgia to the late Deacon James Wright and Deaconess Mary Wright. Elizabeth was the second of 14 children. Early in life she became a believer, accepting Christ as her Lord and Savior.

She was educated in Pierce, Wayne and Telfair Counties. Following high school, she attended Edwards College and received an A. A. Degree. She then received a Bachelor of Science Degree and a Master of Education form Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University in Tallahassee. She completed her academic studies at Nova University.

Elizabeth Tisdale had a long and rewarding career, teaching in Nassau County Florida (most of her years at Callahan Elementary School), from 1954 until her retirement in 1991. She joined Greater Mt.

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Pleasant Baptist Church, where she served as a member of the senior choir. She later moved to live with her son in Covington. She was predeceased by her loving husband of 50 years, Coolidge Tisdale.

She leaves to cherish her memory and continue her legacy, her two sons Harold (Denise) Tisdale, Sr. and Coolidge Tisdale; one daughter Pamela Tisdale; seven grandchildren Harold (Whitney) Tisdale, Jr., Brandon Tisdale, Myia Tucker, Noah Tisdale, Caleb Tisdale, Nyasha Tisdale and Bethaney Tisdale; one great-granddaughter Ava Tisdale; six sisters and three brothers; and a host of other relatives.

The family received friends Friday, June 4 at Royal Funeral Home Chapel, Jesup. A graveside service was held Saturday, June 5 at Jesup City Cemetery.

Royal Funeral Home in Jesup assisted the family, www.royalfuneralhomeinc.com.

MARY FRANCES WAINWRIGHT



Mary Frances Manning Wainwright, of Folkston, Georgia, passed away on June 5, 2021 at Life Care Center in Hilliard. Mary Frances was born on July 9, 1938 in Homerville, Georgia to Naomi Lake Manning and Leland Madison Manning. Along with her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband of 44 years Kenneth Timothy Wainwright; and her brother-in-law Floyd Johns.

She graduated with honors from Brantley County High School in 1956 and immediately began working at The Citizens Bank of Folkston. Throughout the years she worked in a variety of roles, bookkeeping at Passieu Chevrolet and Ken's Chainsaw Shop and as a paraprofessional in the Charlton County School System. She returned to banking in 1981 at the Hilliard Branch of Nassau State Bank, currently Southeastern Bank. She retired from banking after 24 years and then went to work part time at Hilliard Pharmacy.

Mary Frances loved the Lord and was a faithful member of Grace Chapel Baptist Church for over 60 years. She taught Sunday school, was a member of the choir, and was the church treasurer for many years. Mary Frances had a true servant's heart. She was happiest when preparing large, delicious meals, sewing for her children and grandchildren, and doing for others. She was an avid gardener and loved feeding the birds and watching them every day.

Mary Frances is survived by her daughters and sons-in-law; Karen and Terry Thigpen of Folkston and Kathy and Clint Colley of Metter, Georgia; grandchildren Katie and David Chapman of Athens, Ashley Thigpen of Folkston and Wyatt Colley of Metter; sisters and brothers-in-law; Mila Dean Johns, Hilda and John Zierjack and Freida and Gary Jacobs; as

well as many nieces, nephews, and great nieces and nephews; also, her very special friend Mr. Vernon Crews.

The family wishes to extend a special thank you to the staff of the Life Care Center of Hilliard, Dr. Richard (Buck) Taylor, Dr. Talha Badar, the staff of Mayo Clinic in Jacksonville and Amanda West and the staff of St. Vincent's Primary Care in Hilliard for their love and care throughout her illness. They also wish to say a thank you to the City of Folkston Police Department for their concern throughout her illness.

The family received friends Tuesday, June 8 at Shepard Roberson Funeral Home. The funeral service was held Wednesday, June 9 at Grace Chapel Baptist Church with Rev. John Boatwright and Rev. Marvin Lee officiating. Burial followed at Pineview Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made in her memory to the Grace Chapel Building Fund, PO Box 425, Folkston, GA 31537.

Condolences may be expressed at www.shepardfh.com.

Arrangements by Shepard-Roberson Funeral Home, Folkston.

JESSIE DARWIN WHITE



Jessie Darwin White, 78, of Hilliard, passed away Friday, June 4, 2021. He was born on December 26, 1942 in Jacksonville, to the late

Paul and Nellie Bias. He was a volunteer firefighter for Hilliard Fire Department and was in the Nassau County Sheriff posse. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife Diana Jane White.

He is survived by his children: Lee (Denise) Pickett, Jr., Lisa (Howard) Cushman and Billy (Glenda) White; his grandchildren Robert Pickett, Lee Pickett, III, Cody (Jonni) Pickett, Nick McFarlane, Matt (Olivia) McFarlane, Randi Pierce, Tiffany (Levi) Holton, Tabbatha (Devin) Dowling, Ashley (Ryan) White, Abbi (Steven) White, Billy White, Jr., Alyssa White and Brianna Nelson; great-grandchildren Lane Pickett, Kailey Pickett, Bentley Pickett, Josiah Peel, Gunner Holton and Willow Holton; and a number of nieces, nephews and other relatives.

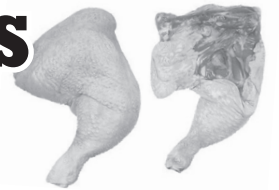
The family received friends Sunday, June 6. The funeral service was held Monday, June 7 at the Hilliard First Assembly of God with Rev. Arlie Johns officiating. Burial followed in Oakwood Cemetery.

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West Nassau High School Retires Three



Shown (l to r) are Kelly Burnette, Wanda Sheffield and Sandy Geiger.

Thursday, West Nassau High School faculty and staff joined in the celebration to honor three instructors, Kelly Burnette, Wanda Sheffield and Sandy Geiger, upon their retirement.

Mrs. Kelly Burnette is retiring following 30 years of service throughout the county, 25 years teaching; and 5 years in administration. She finished her time at West Nassau. "This has been the most challenging year yet the most rewarding! I've learned that moving up you can sometimes lose your passion," said Kelly. "I feel like God purposed me to be a teacher and I've loved it. I've grown so much and been so blessed with some awesome students. I'm going to miss it but it's time!"

Kelly and her husband, Greg, plan to do some hiking and of course traveling. She also plans to dive into a women's

ministry in her church and get more involved.

Wanda Sheffield retires after 34 years of service to students and all her years at West Nassau. She began her career in the Vocational Department; later moved to Math; Guidance Counselor; and finished with ESE. "There have been so many changes throughout the years, more good than bad," said Wanda. "I'm thankful for a faithful

and loving God to lean on and His grace pulled me through many times. I have worked with the best administration that has worked with me, not against me, during my illness. It's been a wonderful career but I'm ready for my new journey."

Wanda plans to rest a little first then she wants to give her home a 'new' look. "I've put it off and now I have the time. I also want to travel a little bit," added Wanda.

Sandy Geiger is happy and quite accomplished as she retires following

45 years of teaching. She has made some lasting friends through this many years. She recalls graduating from college and interning at Callahan Junior High at the young age of 20. One of the teachers had an accident and wasn't going to be able to return to work. CJH Principal Emmitt Coakley asked Sandy to finish out the year to fill the vacancy. She did and as the fall year started she had a job at the junior high at 21 years old. "Now if that wasn't a 'God thing' I don't know what is. I was so young but loved what I was doing," said Sandy.

While teaching at Callahan Junior High she also coached volleyball and basketball. Eventually, she moved to the West Nassau where she continued to coach adding in softball (she was

actually responsible for bringing fast pitch softball to the school), golf and tennis.

During her years of teaching she also was a member of the River Road Volunteer Fire Department Station 9. She trained on her off days and went on many calls in the early morning hours.

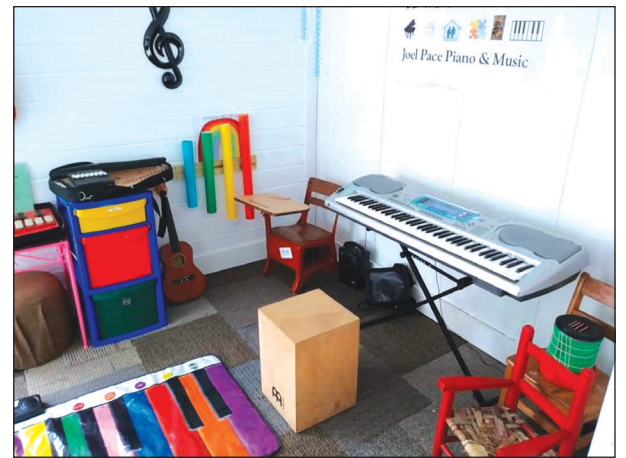
"I also tried to give all my attention to my students. There were good and bad but we always talked things out," added Sandy. "The students is the easy part of teaching, it's all the other distractions that sometimes make it difficult. This has been a great career that I will miss but I still have all my memories."

Sandy plans to just take it easy for a while and just enjoy what God brings her way!

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