

"THE LORD IS MY SHEPHERD; I SHALL NOT WANT. HE MAKETH ME TO LIE DOWN IN GREEN PASTURES: HE LEADETH ME BESIDE THE STILL WATERS." - PSALM 23: 1-2

NE FL Fair Association Awarded Funding

Paulette Kirkland

In 1949, the first Nassau County Fair was held. I was on the board of Directors of NEFFA originally from 1992-1996, then we moved to Baker County after we bought a farm there in 1989. I became the President of the Baker County Fair where I had the privilege of working with Representative Chuck Brannan on an expansion project with Capital Funding from the State for a new barn in 1992.

After returning to Nassau County in 2002, I became active with the NEFFA. In 2015, after being elected to the Board of Directors, President Keith Wingate asked me to work on Capital Funding Projects. As a volunteer, I became the Resource Funding Coordinator. I wrote the first FDACS Grant in 2016. We were diligent and made several trips to Tallahassee to promote our cause. In 2017, we became successful in acquiring our first grant. We were fortunate to have Senator Aaron Bean and our County Commissioners backing our projects. The expansion project slowly became a reality as we continued to support our cause.

We were not discouraged when COVID 19 hit, but it did slow our Expansion Project down a bit. We



applied with the Department of Agriculture again in 2020, for 2021. On June 5, 2021, we received our award letter for the 2021-22 Fiscal year stating that we had been awarded the grant.

Currently, completion of three new buildings (barns) is underway. Once they are completed we will begin construction on the fourth (4) building, which will be the Covered Arena and Equestrian Center. President Wingate is working to ensure the project is completed.

Our Board of Directors want to see the fairgrounds and our local Fair become one of the best in Florida, so we will continue to do whatever it takes to make it happen. Our Northeast Florida Fair will return and resume this year on October 14 - October 24, 2021.

We are grateful for the Senators, Representatives and Commissioners for once again helping to make the Expansion Project a reality. We are also grateful for them standing up for the Northeast Florida Fair in Tallahassee. Thank you to Senator Bean, Senator Rob and Jennifer Bradley, Representative Cord Byrd, Chuck Brannan and Past Senator Denise Grimsley, along with many others who have truly been a friend of the Fair! They played an important part in helping us make this happen.

The NE FL Fairgrounds is also happy to host the Saturday, July 3 Fireworks, sponsored by the Town of Callahan and the Town of Hilliard. The event will begin around 9 p.m. The parking lots will open around 6 p.m. for free parking but there will not be any other events scheduled.



Callahan Council Approves Zaxby's and Hagan Ace

Dawn S. West

The Callahan Town Council met Monday night for their final meeting of June. The first order of business was the attorney agreement for the new Callahan Attorney Reba Abraham Pearce, Esquire. The agreement was approved which concerns paying the attorney on a monthly basis \$165 per hour for legal services rendered.

The next item was a recommendation from the Planning & Zoning Board to approve the site plan for a new Zaxby's restaurant in Callahan. The council approved the recommendation. "There were no issues concerning the Zaxby's plan," said Councilman & Planning/Zoning Commissioner David Mellecker. "The Zaxby's location will be located on SR 200 to the left of the driveway adjacent to Popeye's, which is on the right side."



Reba Pearce

tear on Page Street," said Mellecker. "Mr. Hagan (Hagan Ace) advised that he plans to have signage on the road for no trucks and will direct his deliveries to enter from US 301 and Martin Luther King Road into the rear entrance of the store. Residents also requested scrubs lining the fenced area in the back, which Hagan agreed to."

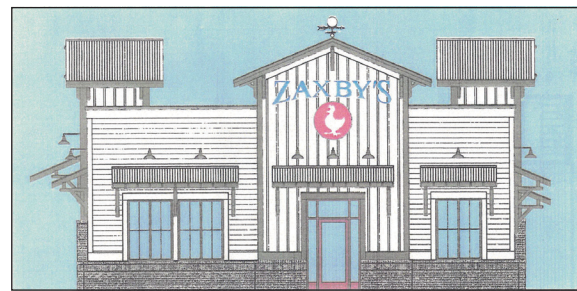
The Hagan Ace Hardware will incorporate 9.53 acres, provide 139 parking spaces, will have a greenhouse area, a drive-thru loading area for lumber, and a drive-thru LP gas & chlorine area plus much more!

There is no timeline for construction to begin on either project. Currently drainage engineering is underway before construction can begin.

The council approved Ordinance 2021-O02 which concerned repealing Chapter 162 of the Town Code concerning Business Tax receipts. The town will no longer require business tax receipts.

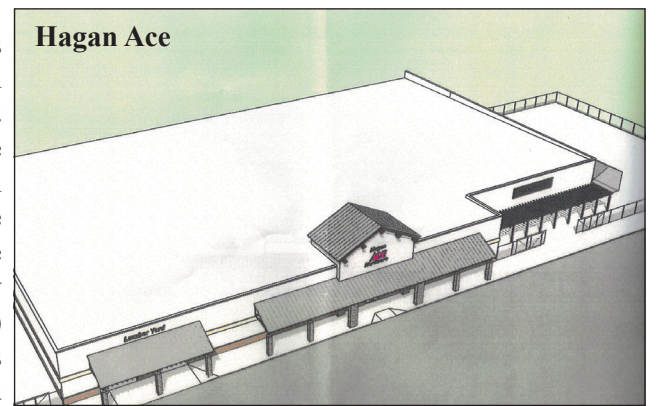
The council also approved Ordinance 2021-O03 which concerned amending Chapter 102-31.1A concerning increasing fees for Fire Inspections.

The council agreed to not have a meeting on July 5 due to the July 4th holiday. The next regular meeting of the council will be Monday, July 19 at 7 p.m.



The Zaxby's will incorporate 1.5 acres; provide 50 parking spaces; use 3,965sf building, drive-thru and seating for 70 people.

The following item was also a recommendation from the Planning & Zoning Board to approve the site plan for a Hagan Ace Hardware store. The council approved the recommendation. "The only requests we (P/Z Board) heard was from residents concerning the wear and



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Beekeepers Meeting Monday

The Nassau County Beekeepers Association is pleased to announce that Dr. Jamie Ellis, Gahan Endowed Professor of Entomology in the Entomology and Nematology Department at the University of Florida, will speak to the association at their monthly meeting on Monday, June 28 at 7 p.m. at the multi-purpose building at the fairgrounds. Dr. Ellis is the director of the UF/IFAS Honey Bee Research and Extension Laboratory, a state of the art honey bee



research laboratory.

The Nassau County Beekeepers Association meets on the fourth Monday of each month at the multi-purpose building (523350 US Hwy 1) at the fairgrounds in Callahan. The association meets to educate and mentor the members and the public

on the importance of honeybees and responsible, sustainable beekeeping. All meetings are open to the public and anyone interested in honeybees and beekeeping is invited to attend.

Thank You from Callahan Little League

Callahan Little League has been hard at work to make park improvements to our facilities. We would like to extend a huge thank you to our business partner Bacck Electric, for their generous donation for CLL to purchase an ABI Field Rascal. This new piece of equipment makes it possible to properly maintain our fields and keep our players in the game. CLL appreciates Bacck Electric and their commitment to support our community and children!



In the Kitchen... Baked Pork Chops with Gravy

6-8 lean pork chops
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1 can cream of mushroom, celery or chicken

Wash and layer pork chops in bottom of baking dish. Season as desired. Layer sliced onion on top of chops. Mix can of soup with can of water and pour over chops. Bake at 350° for about 35-40 minutes. Serve with rice, noodles or mashed potatoes.

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Missing Person's Body Found Wednesday Morning

According to Nassau County Sheriff's Office reports, Carl William Newsome was reported missing Monday, June 14. He was last seen on Sunday, June 13 around 5 a.m. before leaving for work. Newsome is from Hilliard and was driving a 2000 black Toyota 4 Runner. He failed to show up for work and his whereabouts were unknown.

Unfortunately, a body was found in a retention pond Wednesday, June 16 around 9 a.m. and his abandoned vehicle behind an old chicken barn on private property. The property is located off of Old Dixie Highway, on Bethel Church Road. The body was later identified as that of Carl William Newsome.

The incident is still under investigation however at this time, no foul play is suspected. The NCSO is waiting on the Medical Examiner to determine the exact cause of death. When more information is available, it will be released.



Barnabas Launches 2021 Wills & Estates Program

Chances are there will be people in need in Nassau County for a very long time. In response, Barnabas Center is sharing its 2021 Wills & Estates program to help the community understand more about making a financial contribution, to benefit others, through their wills/estates. Local residents, John and Julia Taylor, shared reflections on the important reasons they provided for Barnabas in their will saying, "...Our joy comes from knowing we have set aside a part of ourselves to help those in need."

Barnabas is using the testimonial words of the Taylors to reach local donors and supporters with the important message of leaving a legacy to help others through estate planning. Estate planning can sound intimidating and like something that can wait for retirement. Many people believe it



John and Julia Taylor

is only for the very wealthy, but it is important for everyone to consider and the time to create a plan is now! Without a plan, decisions about your assets, your healthcare and the care of your children are left to the courts and state laws to handle.

To learn more, contact Tania Yount, Chief Development Officer, at tyount@Barnabasnassau.org or 904.261.7000.

JUST MY OPINION

Roger R. West

The "Woke" corporation Coca-Cola just cannot seem to get it through their thick corporate heads that their liberal socialist ideals are outrageously hurting their very jobs. Bradley Gayton, Coca-Cola's general counsel has already lost his job due to the blatant racism training course for employee's that was uncovered. The training course was titled "Confronting Racism" and allegedly instructed white employees to be "less white." The course featured interviews with sociologist Robin DiAngelo, the author of a 2018 book called "White Fragility." One of the slides in the presentation read, "In the U.S. and other Western nations, white people are socialized to feel that they are inherently superior because they are white." The diversity training has been shelved for now. I am white and have never felt superior over anyone. Can you just imagine telling Ben Carson, Allen West, Herman Cain and Candace Owens or any of the millions of black Americans that white people are superior? As ole Joe would say, "C'mon man, give me a break!"

Now the stockholders of Coca-Cola are warning the company that the company's new diversity policy actually requires contracted law firms to violate anti-discrimination laws. On January 28 of this year, the general counsel of Coca-Cola demanded law firms seeking to keep the company as a client must commit that at least 30 percent of billed time would be from "diverse attorneys"

and at least half of that time must be from black attorneys.

A set of "concerned Coca-Cola Company shareholders" have demanded that the company either publicly retract this discriminatory outside counsel policies or provide access to the corporate records related to the decision of Coca-Cola's officers and directors to adopt and retain the illegal policies. Their race-specific contracting policy, according to ACRP has exposed the corporation and its shareholders to "material risk of liability" for violating anti-discrimination laws, including Title VII of the Civil Rights Act, which prohibits employment discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex and national origin.

All of this Woke racial and sexual preference mentality has to stop. If people of all color and preferences can't see through this smoke screen then they had better be ready for a disastrous outcome. These liberal socialists could not care less about the color of anyone's skin or sexual preference. All this is about is dividing the country into separate groups that begin fighting one another so the Marxist instigators can take total control of our country. Together we stand, Divided we fall. Our enemies from within have learned this lesson well; however a large number of Americans have not. Portions of this content came from "The Epoch Times."

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

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Gospel Grit

Pastor Benjie Loyd, River Road Baptist Church, Hilliard



Summer time is here. This means that high school graduation has taken place. People are heading off for summer vacation. From the church perspective, another year has been completed in Children's Ministry. At River Road Baptist Church, we recently recognized our graduates and AWANA workers and children's participants. As I reflected on this last year, the word that came to my mind was grit. Behind every accomplishment, a lot of grit is required. Grit is an underappreciated word. In a world in which we think that everything is handed to us, we need to re-introduce grit into our vocabulary.

We often think that success comes easy and that there is no pain or grit involved. We think that talent and intelligence are fixed. We often forget that Henry Ford filed bankruptcy five times before he ever founded Ford Motor Company. Walt Disney got fired from the Kansas City Star because his cartoons were not creative enough. Albert Einstein did not walk until he was four and he did not read until he was seven years old. Benjamin Franklin ended his formal education when he was 10 years old because his parents were so poor. Elvis Presley's manager told him to go back to driving a truck after he played the Grand Old Opry in 1954. All these people, who were truly great, knew what it was like to fail. They all had grit.

As Christians, this is a very difficult season for the church. It seems like there is so much uncertainty. People are out of sync. The country is divided. People are on edge because they are so unsure about these uncertain times. It seems like everything that you do seems to be a lot harder right now. Grit and gospel growth are the order of the day. This is nothing new.

An example of Gospel grit in the Bible is the Apostle Peter. Peter's life is summed up in John 1:42. Jesus' first recorded words to Peter in scripture, "You are Simon, Son of John. You will be called Cephas (which means Rock)."

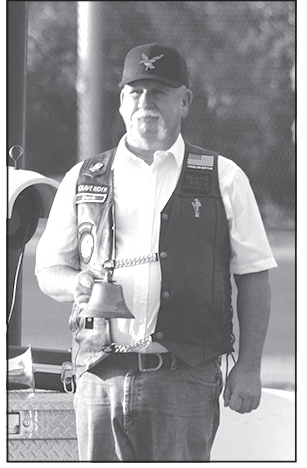
Jesus' words "you are" and "you will be" sum up Peter's life. Peter was an unstable pebble that became a rock by the power of Christ in Him. Peter is never mentioned in a positive light throughout the Gospels. He almost always has an oversized ego. He thinks that he is better than the other disciples. All of that changes when he fails miserably. Peter denies Christ three times. He was a dismal failure. His failures did define him for the rest of his life. However, they did not define him in a negative way. His failures humbled him and made him reliant on Christ. His final words in Scripture are recorded in II Peter 3:17-18. He admonishes his audience to grow in grace and the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. We cannot overestimate the importance of grit, grace, giftedness and the gospel.

Attend the church of your choice this Sunday.

The History of the Bell

Mike Mekara

The bell that rang after each fold of the flag was done, has a special meaning. Here's a little bit of information regarding the bell...the bell belonged to Decorated US Navy Commander, Raymond Luther Curry. Commander Curry served in three wars: World War II, the Korean conflict and the Vietnam War. He last served on the Landing Craft USS Valley Forge, LPH-8, where the bell proudly hung and Rang Honorably. Commander Curry's daughter Wanda Jean Kutzler (also known as Momma Jean) is currently the guardian of this famous bell. She was honored to have it Ring Out for Each Fold of the Flag during the Retirement Ceremony. Commander Curry is at home with the Lord and is laid to rest at the Arlington National Cemetery. Pretty awesome history...



Tread & Trample Walk

My name is Shelby Crews and I am a West Nassau graduate and more recently Psychology graduate from Southeastern University. I am launching an organization called Tread & Trample. The heart behind Tread and Trample is to raise awareness for mental illness while simultaneously raising funds to help individuals pursue therapy who may not be financially capable. Tread and Trample will host community wide walks to collect donations and pledges with all proceeds going towards sponsoring someone's counseling journey.



Each walk will be named after an individual who has faced a season of mental illness to lessen stigma and encourage those who are suffering in silence to speak up.

Currently, we are preparing to host our first walk, Sheridan's Walk, on Saturday, July 17 at Amelia Island State Park via the Amelia Island Trail. To sign up for this walk, and for all other information, visit our Instagram page, @treadandtrample.

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Hilliard Town News



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The Hilliard Town Council met Thursday night for their last regular meeting of June. The first order of business was a resolution read in honor of the retirement of Wanda J. Lanier, Chief Executive Officer of the Barnabas Center. Resolution 2021-14 was read by Hilliard Town Attorney Christian Waugh. The resolution included that Wanda Lanier began her career at the Barnabas Center in 2010 as CEO; she ensured that the Board of Directors handled business effectively; her desire was to provide health and hope to residents throughout Nassau County and achieved it; she organized both a capitol and endowment campaign which both were very successful; received multiple awards; Barnabas received the highest 4-Star rating; she always represented Barnabas with extreme professionalism; as well as many other accolades; she will be truly missed. The council approved the resolution.

In other business, the council also approved Supplemental Agreement No. 19 for the construction phase services of runway 18-36 edge lighting, signs, REILs, wind cone and PAPIs at the

Hilliard Airpark. The engineering process of the project is \$86,388 and is covered 100% with an FAA Grant.

The actual construction of the above project of runway 18-36 was also approved by the council. The low bidder for the job was TCA Electrical Contractors, Inc. in the amount of \$307,025. This project is also funded at 100% by the FAA.

The next item was to approve payment number 3 to Smart Quality Lawn Care in the amount of \$5,500.

The council also approved Avery Communications, Inc. to complete the fiber optic permanent connection between the Parks & Recreation Fitness/Annex/Pool at Oxford Park and the Town Gym at Buck Park which is Phase II of the remote building connection in the amount of \$12,552.68. This is part of the Capital Funded project.

The council and the Planning and Zoning Board recently held a joint workshop. From the workshop, the council recommended amending Chapter 62 Zoning & Land Development Regulations, Section 62-359 Accessory Structures. This amendment will go back to the P/Z board for approval.

The council approved the Town of Hilliard Park Facility Use Agreements for the swimming pool facility between the Town of Hilliard and the Nassau County School Board for West Nassau and Hilliard High School's swim teams to use the facilities from August – December at \$480/month per school with proof of insurance from the school board.

The next council meeting will be held Thursday, July 1 at 7 p.m.

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Yvette Outler



1. Movie Night with a few families! There is a good amount of early release movies that allow you to pay on average \$6 for rental via online streaming. If you split the cost three ways, that's a \$2 family movie night! If you have the capability of an outdoor screen (or white sheet or blank wall) and projector you could invite the neighborhood kids and host it outside. B.Y.O.S.&C. (Bring your own snack and chair). A fun invitation idea is that you could use a microwave popcorn bag with a simple hand-written note on it and pass these out to your neighbors to join in on the fun.

2. Tie Die Party! The average tie die kit is \$10. Have everyone donate a \$1 and bring their own t-shirt, socks or shorts. When we did this for my granddaughter's birthday party, we set up everything outside on a 6-foot table. There were 8 children who participated and had a blast! If you have never done it before, YouTube tutorial videos will come in handy.

3. Backyard Camping! Who doesn't love to camp? Use a fire pit for your campfire. If you choose to do smores have everyone bring an item or donate \$2 towards the cost. Have the kids bring their own flashlight and do a flashlight scavenger hunt at dark. In addition, have them bring a jar with a lid to catch lightening bugs. If you make a game out of it, then whoever catches the most bugs could be the first one to make a

smore! If your kids don't care to sleep outside, then set the sleeping bags and tent up inside!

4. Picnic at a Park! Find a local park with a playground. Because kids love to sit on the ground, serve their lunch to them as they sit on a large sheet. When lunch is finished use the big sheet to play a game. Everyone holds onto a corner or side and bounces a large rubber ball up in the air. Object of the game is to not let it hit the ground. This also gets the crumbs off your sheet.

Children do not have a concept of money because they are too young to fully understand it, but what they do understand and care about is that the family got together and had fun. If you allow the experience of having fun be your goal, then you'll be better off financially and as a family.

Yvette Outler is a Dave Ramsey's Solution Master Financial Coach. If you are in over your head in debt and need hope and help, contact her for a free consultation at Fiscallyfree7@gmail.com.

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camp shirts. Per tradition, Love A Horse camp ended with a group trail ride at Diamond D. When asked, campers said they made new friends, learned lots of new things, and discovered a new hobby.

One camper exclaimed, "How does horse camp go by so fast?!" with another replying, "Well time goes by fast when you're having fun!"

Summer just isn't the same without 4-H camps. Even though 4-H did not offer its usual residential camp, Cherry Lake, the summer is still clover green with a variety of day camps being led by Agents Kelsey Irvine and Ted Karsch. To kick off the summer, Agent Kelsey Irvine led a 4 day introductory Horse Camp with help from a long-term 4-H volunteer Patti Walker and Hippology Club members Lauren, Lainey, Raelin and Emily. Together this camp taught 10 youth the fundamentals of horsemanship including safety, colors and riding styles of horses, care, anatomy, use and types of equine equipment and even the basics of riding. Campers also painted and competed in a model horse show, created art with horseshoes, and made their own tie dye

Nassau County 4-H still has several camps, summer programs, and events for your family to participate in throughout the remainder of the summer. To find out more about how your family can join in the 4-H fun, contact Kelsey Irvine at 904-570-5390 or kelseymirvine@gmail.com. You can also find us on Facebook for even more opportunities, facebook.com/NassauCounty4H.



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Mr. and Mrs. Lynwood Holley Celebrate 60th Anniversary



Lynwood and Vivian Holley celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on June 16, 2021. They were married on June 16, 1961, in Jacksonville, at Anniston Road Baptist Church. As far as retirement, the Holleys said they have not yet learned the meaning of the word retirement. Due to the pandemic, their trip to Ireland was put on hold until a later date. The couple is very thankful for their many blessings and will celebrate their special milestone with a family dinner later in the month.

They are blessed with three sons and two daughters-in-

love: Richard Holley, Brenton and Julie Holley and Marcus and Dena Holley. Their seven grandchildren are: Kearsten, Brealyn, Jaden, Braydon, Logan, Palyn and Conrad; and one great-granddaughter Julie Ann.



Happy 1st Birthday Cooper Reid VanGorder



Cooper Reid VanGorder celebrated his first birthday June 20! He celebrated his special milestone with a barnyard themed party at Conner's Amazing Acres with lots of family and friends joining in the fun! His proud parents are Matthew VanGorder and Alexis Kelly.

"Cooper is the happiest and sweetest baby boy. He loves to play, cuddle and eat. Happy 1st Birthday to our baby boy, we love you so much!"

Reed Allan Castleberry

Cody and Macy Castleberry, of Hilliard, are pleased to announce the birth of their son Reed Allan Castleberry. Reed was born on April 16, 2021 at 4:10 a.m. at Baptist Hospital in Jacksonville. He weighed 7 pounds 10 ounces and measured 20 1/4 inches.

Maternal grandparents are Dodie and Jon Fine of Hilliard.

Paternal grandparents are Lorrie and Ric Ostrander of Hilliard; and Lorrie and Bud Castleberry of Georgia.

Proud great-grandparents are Ann and Timmy Mueller; and Debbie and Robert Earl Nelson, of Hilliard; and Marvin Castleberry of Callahan. Proud great-great-grandmother is Joyce Bowman of Yulee.



Tatum Wade Mathis

Dylan and Ariel Mathis, of Hilliard, are proud to announce the birth of their son Tatum Wade Mathis. Tatum was born April 6 at 5:27 p.m. at St. Vincent's Hospital Southside. He weighed 8 pounds 15 ounces and measured 21 5/8 inches.

Maternal grandparents are Chuck and Cindy Mitchell of Callahan.

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Proud great-grandparents are Brenda Woodard; Gloria Mathis and the late James Mathis; Lynda Mitchell; and Janet Johnson and the late Danny Johnson.



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While the Nassau County Narcotics Unit was conducting surveillance last Tuesday, June 15, the officer was advised that the suspect, Allen Lumsden, Jr., had just 'smoked a bowl' of Methamphetamine and left a residence in a vehicle in Heron Isles. Lumsden was a person of interest in multiple narcotics investigations. While trying to pull Lumsden over, he began to run from the officers. After a long pursuit, the suspect exited the driver's door of his still moving vehicle and fled the area to an empty wooded lot adjacent to the roadway. Two officers chased the suspect and subsequently apprehended him. After the suspect exited the vehicle, a front seat passenger, later identified as Summer Echols, exited the vehicle and immediately complied with commands to not resist and be handcuffed.



Department of Corrections custody for previous felony narcotic sales violations. The records check also revealed the suspect has three prior DUI convictions, the most recent in 2018 in Nassau County. Based on the totality of circumstances, the suspect was arrested and eventually transported to the Nassau County Sheriff's Office Narcotics interview room for further interview.

Allen Eugene Lumsden, 40, 95158 Clearwater Road, Fernandina, was arrested and charged with DUI 4th or Subsequent Offense (Felony); Flee, Elude Law Enforcement Officer Marked Speed; Trafficking Methamphetamine over 14 grams; Possession of Schedule 1-5 Substance (x2); Possession of a Weapon by Convicted Felon; Possession of Controlled Substance with Intent to Sell; Felony Driving While License Suspended with Knowledge; Resist without Violence; DUI Property Damage/Personal Injury (Bicycle Misdemeanor).

Evidence recovered included a Ruger 380, loaded; Half pound Meth 8.5 ounces; 2 knives; 1.5 ounces pure fentanyl; Numerous pills; 3 cell phones (search warrant pending to identify more targets); and seized \$2,905 in dope money.



During their attempt to apprehend the suspect, he put both hands into the waistline of his pants and fell to his stomach. He refused multiple verbal orders to stop resisting. Subsequently, two large knives were removed from the waistband where he held his hands prior to being detained.

A preliminary records check, conducted through NCIC/FCIC, confirmed the suspect had no Florida Driver's License (ID only) and that he was a convicted felon having just been released this January from the Florida



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.

Saturday, June 12

Taylor Renae Helms, 20, 58217 Melton Road, Hilliard: Moving Traffic Violation; Driving Wild License Suspended Habitual Offender

Tuesday, June 15

Ernest Lee Johns, 30, 551664 US Highway 1, Hilliard: Felony Criminal Mischief; Violation of Injunction

Wednesday, June 16

Michael Houston Mosley, 31, Callahan: Petit Theft with Prior Conviction First Degree (Misdemeanor)

Felisha Nicole Reeves, 33, Hilliard: Out of State Warrant (x 2)

Friday, June 18

Matthew Robert Goos, 25, 27333 Georgia Street, Hilliard: Flee Elude Law Enforcement Officer, Marked Speed; Reckless Driving

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RICHARD BAILEY BOYD



Mr. Richard Bailey Boyd, 50, of Jacksonville, passed away Tuesday, June 15, 2021. Mr. Boyd was born in Jacksonville to the late Cryton and Jeanette Boyd. He was a 1989 graduate of West Nassau High School and was a lifelong area resident. He was employed by Stellar Industrial Solutions and was the Director of Processing Safety Management. Mr. Boyd was known to have a keen sense of humor and had a way of sharing laughter with all who knew him. He was a devoted family man who actively participated in the lives of his children and grandchildren. He especially enjoyed fishing, boating and attending his children's and grandchildren's sporting events.

He is survived by his wife Angie Boyd of Jacksonville; children Richard Boyd, Jr. of Yulee, Taylor Boyd of Callahan, Clay Boyd of Yulee, Reese Campbell, Anna Bugbee and Kinley Bugbee, all of Jacksonville; grandchildren Hayden Stokes, Haislynn Boyd and Brooklyn Stokes; brother David Boyd of Ocala; uncle Jimmy (Terri) Boyd of Bryceville; aunt Mary (Bobby) Goolsby of Royal Palm Beach; and numerous cousins and friends.

The funeral service was held Friday, June 18 at Bryceville First Baptist Church with Reverend Matt Boyd and Reverend Frank Ciresi officiating. The family received friends prior to the funeral. Burial followed at Verdie Cemetery in Bryceville.

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OBITUARIES

ANNIE LOUISE GOODWIN



Annie Louise McElrath Goodwin, 86, of Hilliard, passed away Friday, June 18, 2021 at home with her family by her side. She was born September 15, 1934 in Wildwood, Florida to Daniel Henry McElrath and Grace Summers McElrath. Following graduation from Wildwood High School in 1952, she studied for two years at Bible Baptist Institute in Lakeland, Florida. She was a lifelong member of River Road Baptist Church in Hilliard. Annie was preceded in death by her husband Roy F. Goodwin; and her sister Mary Sue Bates.

She is survived by her son Norman B. (Lilly) Goodwin of Hilliard; stepdaughter Cris Enderud of Jacksonville; grandson Justin B. Goodwin of Columbus, Georgia; sister Danny Gail (Linda) of Tallahassee; nieces Loraine Crumples, Linda (Bob) Tilton, Laura (Larry) Warren, Lois (Rick) Papineau and Robin (Eddie) Calero of Wildwood.

A graveside service will be held Friday, June 25 at 11 a.m. at Riverside Memorial Park, 7242 Normandy Blvd., Jacksonville with Pastor Benjie Loyd officiating.

GLORIA JOHNSON PETTY



Gloria Johnson Petty, 85, of Hilliard, passed away Saturday, June 19, 2021, at her home, following an extended illness. She was born January 20, 1936 in Hilliard, to the late Raymond Johnson

and Nadine Haddock Johnson. She was a charter member of the First Baptist Church of Boulougne. In addition to her parents; she was preceded in death by her husband of 57 years, Jr. Petty.

She is survived by her daughter Terri (Charles) Lowther; a son Greg Petty; grandchildren Kristi (Matt) Gray, Patrick (Benita) Petty, Ashleigh (Dan Weideman) Lowther, Chad (Kara) Lowther and Lindsey Yarbrough; great-grandchildren Zoe Gray, Liam Petty, Chase Petty, Evan Bowers, Evie Bowers, Natalie Johnson and Luke Weideman; a sister Patricia Braddock; two brothers Ray (Sandra) Johnson and Freeman (Diane) Johnson; and a sister-in-law Inez Butler.

The family received friends Monday, June 21 at the First Baptist Church of Boulougne. The funeral service was held Tuesday, June 22 also at the church with Pastor Paul Lucas officiating. Burial followed in Camp Pinckney Cemetery.

Condolences may be expressed at www.shepardfh.com.

Arrangements by Shepard-Roberson Funeral Home, Folkston.

GERALDINE SIKES REEVES



Geraldine Sikes Reeves, 83, was called home to be with the Lord Monday, June 21, 2021, following an extended illness. She was born December 26, 1937 to the late Roy Lee Sikes and Nellie Tomlinson Sikes. She was a member of Nathalene Primitive Baptist Church and had an unwavering faith and love for the

Lord. She was a wonderful and loving wife, mother and grandmother.

In addition to her parents; she was predeceased by two grandsons Johnny Reeves and William Reeves; her brothers Addison, Cecil and Kenneth Sikes; her sisters Irene Stokes and Betty Carter.

She is survived by her husband of 67 years, J.L. Reeves, Jr.; her children Phillip (Linda), Brenda (Stanley), Leonard (Cathy), Leisa (Mike), Rhonda (James), Mark (Jill), Timothy (Tammy Lynn), Preston (Tammy) and Paula (Mark); 25 grandchildren; 29 great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

The family will receive friends Thursday, June 24 from 6-8 p.m. at her home, 23241 Outpost Lane, Hilliard. The funeral service will be held Friday, June 25 at Nathalene at 11 a.m. with Elder Tollie Lee officiating. A graveside service will follow in the church cemetery with Brother James Conner, Pastor at New Life Baptist Church officiating.

Pallbearers will be her grandsons.

The family would like to thank everyone for all the love and prayers for their Mama during her illness.

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BARBARA L. SUTHERLAND



Barbara L. Sutherland, 79, of Bryceville, passed away on June 14, 2021. She was born July 20, 1941 in Columbus, Ohio. She was retired from Bell South. She enjoyed quilting, playing cards and was an avid Buckeye and Jaguars fan. She was preceded in death by her husband Kenneth Sutherland.

She is survived by her daughters Kay (David) Underwood and Venus (Fred) Rouse; many grandchildren and great-grandchildren; and eight siblings.

A Celebration of life service will be held Thursday, June 24 at 11 a.m. at Lighthouse Prayer Center, 43694 Ratliff Road, Callahan.

In lieu of flowers, please make donations to Community Hospice.

Corey-Kerlin Funeral Home assisted the family.

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Programs are as follows:

Callahan Multi-Purpose Building at the Fairgrounds at 11 a.m.

Monday, June 28 - "Wild Wonders Animal Show"

Monday, July 12 - "Mark Alan Magic Show"

Bryceville Branch Library/Community Center at 2 p.m.

Wednesday, June 30 - "Musical Tales with Joel Pace Instrument Petting Zoo"

Wednesday, July 7 - "K-9 Tails & Tales with the Sheriff's Office"



We need people to sign a petition to return Prayer in School. The Westside Journal will be orchestrating the campaign with petitions for churches, residents, etc. to come by and pick them up, pass them around, and return completed petitions to our office. The petitions will be picked up and delivered to the Florida Secretary of State to be placed on the ballot. The Westside Journal office is located at: 450034 SR 200 (across from Callahan Dollar General), 879-4180.

Cat/Dog Vaccination Clinic Saturday

There will be a low-cost Vaccination Clinic for cats & dogs Sunday, June 27 from 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. at Cats Angels, 709 S. 8th Street, Fernandina. The event is sponsored by Cats Angels. There are also a lot of kittens and seniors that need homes. Vaccine costs: Rabies vaccination, \$10 each; other cat or dog vaccinations, \$20 each. There is no sign-up, first come, first served.



First 10 customers received the Rabies vaccination FREE. Dogs must be on a short leash; and Cats must be in a carrier. If you don't have one, you can borrow one from Cats Angels before the event. Make sure to ask about spay/neuter vouchers and kitten/puppy vaccine specials.

For more information call Cats Angels at 904-321-2267.

Ministry at the Flea Market

Be the Change of NE FL surprised many dads at the Pecan Park Flea Market last Saturday with coffee cups filled with candy as a 'Thank you Fathers' gift. 'Super dad' was also there to greet everyone.



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Westside Senior Center Changing

The work is continuing on the renovation of the Westside Senior Center. As you can see much of the roof has been removed, as a much larger roof will take its place. New concrete pads have been poured and the water and sewer systems have been changed over to tie into the Town of Hilliard.

Changes are continuing as we move closer to the day when our seniors can meet together in a beautiful center, just for them!



Westside Journal Visits Key West!

Key West is a beautiful place to visit! We're so lucky Jessie Jarrell of Bryceville took a copy of the Westside Journal with her on her vacation as she shared: "I visited Key West this week and brought my favorite newspaper...the Westside Journal!"

Just a reminder to take a copy of the Westside Journal on your vacation and share your pictures with us!



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