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HOMETOWN PEOPLE...HOMETOWN NEWS

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2022

"A DAY IN YOUR COURTS IS BETTER THAN A THOUSAND. I HAD RATHER BE A DOORKEEPER IN THE HOUSE OF MY GOD, THAN TO DWELL IN THE TENTS OF WICKEDNESS." - PSALM 84:10

Greater Mt. Pleasant Church Celebrates 150th Anniversary

Dawn S. West

The Greater Mt. Pleasant Missionary Baptist Church in Callahan will celebrate their 150th church anniversary this Sunday, September 25. The church is located north of Callahan on US Highway 1. Organizers have planned an anniversary celebration this Sunday beginning at the 4 p.m.



The church was organized by a dedicated group of Christians in 1872. At that time, the church was called Bush Harbor Church, because the church was surrounded by bushes and trees. In 1958, the current sanctuary was built and the name of the church was changed to Greater Mt. Pleasant Missionary Baptist Church with Rev. C.W. Whitten as pastor.

In 1970, Rev. C.J. Brown was called to pastor the church. Pastor Brown served at the church from 1970 – 2009. Pastor Brown accomplished many things at the church. There were many improvements and renovations made to the church including central heat and air; cushioned pews; electrical upgrades; a church bus and van were purchased as well as a baby Grand piano, Hammond organ etc. In 1977, the Educational Building was built and named after the late Deacon Robert Deneffield.

In 2013, Rev. Reginald



R. Edwards was called to pastor Greater Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church. In 2018, the church underwent a huge renovation that first included a new roof for the sanctuary and also the Educational Building. All the electrical and lighting was upgraded, tongue & groove was added to the tall ceilings, along with new paint and carpet throughout. The pastor and church secretary's offices were completely renovated, several windows and doors replaced and the bathrooms upgraded. The sanctuary is a beauty to behold.



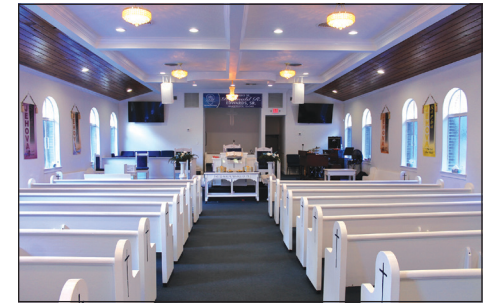
Rev. Edwards

The church has grown several ministries throughout its tenure. They offer a scholarship ministry each year offering a scholarship to local students. Their clergy ministry has produced many great pastors that have gone on to share the gospel around the nation.

Pastor Edwards has been at the church for 8½ years. He is beyond excited to be a part of this special anniversary. "I am personally grateful to have the opportunity to pastor a church with such a rich history," said Pastor Edwards. "There are so many great souls that have been a part of this fellowship. It's amazing to think of the depth and reach throughout the years of how many

people have been reached for the Lord." Greater Mt. Pleasant is blessed, as many churches are, with faithful loving members that care about each other and care about sharing God's love with others. "One hundred fifty years speaks of a time of reflection of all the blessings that God has promised to his people. It's also a time of renewing our faith of why we are a part of

Greater Mt. Pleasant and the body of Christ with a goal of winning souls," continued Pastor Edwards. "It's a time of rededication to why we are here and the need of now! We must reposition ourselves to serve in this present age. I feel like we are in a very good place now. We have had multiple baptisms and blessed with new members. God continues to bless us!"



Greater Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church welcomes all to come and celebrate their 150th Anniversary this Sunday, September 25 at 4 p.m. The church is located at 45031 Historical Lane, Callahan, 879-2393.

Hilliard Man Charged with Murder

According to the Nassau County Sheriff's Office, a Hilliard man, Michael Williams, 36, was arrested and accused of shooting a man in the head and fleeing the scene in Callahan early Sunday morning. NCSO deputies were dispatched to a call about someone shot shortly after midnight Saturday. During the investigation, deputies learned an argument broke out at a small gathering at a home on Woodridge Drive, resulting in several people leaving the residence. The owners asked Williams to leave the home.



According to deputies, Williams left the home but returned through the

backdoor later that day armed with a handgun. Williams shot two people several times, punched a woman in the face and a man was shot in the head twice, which caused a fatal injury.

Williams fled the scene in a 1997 Dodge Dakota pickup truck and threw the gun away, according to deputies. NCSO found Williams in an apartment at Testone Lane in Hilliard. He was arrested and taken into custody.

Williams was charged with Murder; Attempted Murder, Armed Burglary, and Tampering and Destroying Evidence. He was booked into the Nassau County Detention Facility.



Rev. Brown, Sister Hector and Deacon Wright

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Is America Better Today?

Dear Editor,

For all those who think America is better today than 70 years ago, go to Arlington National Cemetery and see the thousands of white crosses that fill that sacred land. Crosses that represent thousands of men and women (400,000+) who gave their lives in defense of our great nation...AMERICA! Go to Hawaii to Pearl Harbor and recall the thousands of men and women (2,335) who gave their lives in defense of our great nation...AMERICA! Go to the shores of Normandy and relive that day when 9,387 young American men died, on the beach in defense of our great nation... AMERICA! You can go to cemeteries all around the globe and see them filled with young American men and women who died in defense of our great nation...AMERICA! The land of the free because of the brave! A land where men and women are free to choose what they want to become. Not to give it up to a bunch of yahoo socialists wanting to destroy what "all gave some and some that gave all" for.

If the late President John F. Kennedy could see what his party has become, he would literally turn over in his grave. In my opinion, he was the greatest Democrat president America has known. He was not a "swamp rat." He loved America and fought for her and almost died himself. He did not fit the mold of the "Socialist party." They took him out. Google: Why They Hated Kennedy, and Why They Killed Him - Aletho News.

Look inside the Capital building and streets of America today, what do you see? Ingrates! Money hungry, power-hungry ingrates. Both sides of the isle.

Our president, Donald J. Trump did not have to put himself in the position of being so hated and attacked so viciously as he was and is. He did it because he loves America and knows he has the ability and brains to bring us back to that greatness we once had.

"Wake up Uhmerika" (Earl Pitts) - VOTE RED! PRAY HARD! GOD IS STILL IN CONTROL!

Hank Martinez, Sr.

Make Sure you Vote

Dear Editor,

Well, here we go again. Charlie Crist is now on the ballot to push more failed policies for his 7th statewide run for office. He is the epitome of a career politician. Leaving aside the fact that Crist does whatever is politically expedient, and is not to be trusted, his latest policy proposals are so radical and would be so bad for Florida that we cannot let him anywhere near the governor's mansion. On the days when Congressman Crist decides to actually show up to D.C. and do his job, he votes with Joe Biden and his disastrous agenda 100% of the time.

Crist co-sponsored the reckless, \$1.9 trillion so-called, "American Rescue Plan," which had virtually nothing to do with COVID relief, but instead rewarded Democrat special interests and has greatly contributed to the four-decade high of inflation that we're now dealing with. More recently, Crist voted for Biden's preposterously named "Inflation Reduction Act," which is anything but. Not only will this monstrosity of a bill not reduce inflation, but it will add 87,000 IRS agents to spy on and audit middle class families. How does this address record-high inflation?

The choice could not be clearer this November. Charlie Crist, who wants to be the Joe Biden of Florida, will do nothing to make life better for every Floridian. If you want a governor who does nothing except pander and bow down to his boss in DC, then Crist is your guy.

But if you want a governor who is pro-business, pro-worker, pro-family, pro-parent, pro-student and pro-freedom, then vote for Governor Ron DeSantis.

God save the Republic!

Jordan K. Stoner,
NCYR, FL Chairman

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Hilliard Town News

Dawn S. West

The Hilliard Town Council met Thursday night for their final regular meeting of September. The first order of business was a Public Hearing and First Reading to set the millage rate for Fiscal Year 2022-2023. Ordinance 2022-06 was approved on first reading to adopt a millage rate of 3.000, which is a 29.92% increase over the roll back rate.

A Public Hearing and First Reading were also held for the budget for Fiscal Year 2022-2023. Ordinance 2022-07 was approved with a total budget of \$9,437,607.00 for Fiscal Year 2022-2023. The Second and Final Reading and Public Hearing for both ordinances will be Monday, October 3 at 7 p.m.

In other business, the council approved a CDBG Water Main Change Order No. 6 for a price increase of \$10,570. The contractor has provided documentation to support the change.

Resolution 2022-12, which concerned the permitting of a Homecoming Parade for Hilliard High School on Friday, September 30, was approved by the council.

The next agenda item included the approval of a payable for Jordan and Family Construction, LLC for \$1,800 for the Walker Street Drainage and Paving project.

The final item concerned a resident with a request. John Russell, who lives on Walker Street, requested to grant a permanent easement on his property to allow access to the town sewer lines. The council advised Town Attorney Christian Waugh to draw up the proper legal document to support the request of Mr. Russell for approval as soon as possible.

The next regular meeting of the council will be held Thursday, October 6 at 7 p.m.

JUST MY OPINION

Roger R. West

Definition of hypocrisy: 1.) A person who pretends to have virtues, moral or religious beliefs, principles, etc., that he or she does not actually possess, especially a person whose actions believe stated beliefs.

2.) A person who pretends to have virtues, moral or religious beliefs, principles, etc.

3.) The entire liberal leftists.

Today, more than 10 states across the country have sanctuary policies. These states have laws, ordinances, regulations, resolutions, policies, or other practices that obstruct immigration enforcement and shield criminals from ICE — either by refusing to or prohibiting agencies from complying with ICE detainers, imposing unreasonable conditions on detainer acceptance, denying ICE access to interview incarcerated aliens, or otherwise impeding communication or information exchanges between their personnel and federal immigration officers.

When Governor Ron DeSantis was gracious enough to fly a mere 50 illegal invaders to Martha's Vineyard, the left went crazy. The very ones that embrace the Invaders cried out that was cruel and inhumane to deliver the very ones that they have created a "safe place" for. These hypocritical, socialist snobs think the invasion at the southern border is wonderful as long as they stay in the southern states. The only Hispanic faces they want to see in their plush surroundings better be holding a weed eater or leaf blower and be out of town before sunset. It's the same story in Washington, D.C., Chicago and New York. Biden and company love the invasion as long as they don't interfere with their life and their neighborhood. Biden has facilitated this dangerous invasion as he

blames President Trump for the atrocities occurring daily at our southern border. The double standard between the leftists and the right is the real threat to our Republic.

A good rule of thumb is that if Biden and company point a finger at the conservative patriots while accusing them of anything, you can be sure that the opposite is the truth. When he states that MAGA is a threat to democracy, you better believe it is him that is the real threat.

Biden has armed the FBI, DOJ, DNS, and the IRS to be political partisan players in the move to gain and hold power over the citizens of America. This administration is attacking their conservative opponents on a daily basis. They are making every attempt they can to intimidate anyone who does not stand with them. America is at the most dangerous crossroad than ever before. Conservative patriots must not allow this runaway, rogue government we now have to destroy our wonderful Republic! We cannot cower to their threats and intimidation tactics; we cannot let them indoctrinate our thought process with their endless propaganda. These are perilous times that none of us have ever lived in. We as a nation do not want a physical battle to restore our freedoms, we just want the Constitution and Bill of Rights to be followed equally across the board. We want fair and honest elections; we want transparency in all governments, local, state and federal. We want treasonous players held accountable and punished according to the law. We want our America back and it's up to each of us to rally and vote these socialists out of office.

God Bless America!

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

WNHS CLASS OF '82 Reunion

The West Nassau Class of 1982 is holding a 40th Year Class Reunion Friday, October 7 and Saturday, October 8. Friday, class members plan to have Meet & Greet in the WNHS cafeteria from 5:30-7 p.m. and will have designated seating area for classmates (that register). For more information call Belinda at 904-993-1612.

EVENTS AROUND TOWN

The Mill Creek Cemetery Association will have a meeting and clean up on Saturday, September 24 at 9 a.m. at the cemetery. Please bring yard tools and be prepared to work.

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John 19:38

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Truth. What is truth? Have you ever asked this question before? If you have, you are not the first and you will not be the last. Pilate asked this question of Jesus in John 19:38. What is truth? Pilate asked this question of Jesus not because he cherished truth, but because he wanted to dismiss the truth. Truth cannot be dismissed. Truth will not go away. The question of truth will always be one of the most important questions that one could ever ask. A simple definition of truth is this: truth is what accurately corresponds to reality. All of us need to know what truth is. There is no such thing as your truth, there is simply truth. Truth by its very nature will always be narrow, restrictive and absolute.

Truth will always be narrow, because there are not multiple realities. There is one reality. There is one accurate correspondence to reality. Every other understanding of ultimate reality is in error. Truth will also be unchanging. If truth could be changed at a later point and time, it would have been truth in the first place. Truth does not have the ability to change. It may take time for us to understand truth, but truth does not change. Truth is not something that we come up with, truth originates with God. I am not omniscient. I am bound by time. I am not the arbiter of reality. Only God is.

Tragically, truth has disappeared from many in public discourse and ethical decision making. What has replaced truth? Emotion and feelings. Listen to people talk. Whenever they speak about anything at all, there is no appeal to reason or truth. This non-sense has been put on display for all to see. When someone speaks about the truth of anything, nobody wants to hear it. They get mad at the truth teller and tell them that they lack empathy or compassion. Believing truth and speaking truth makes you a bad person. This is not a caricature of what is happening today, this is the new normal. In our culture, feelings matter more than truth. This is chaos. Inverting this order is hurting people and robbing society of the ability to function and flourish. We are living in a world that had gone mad. In a world devoid of truth, murder becomes a fundamental right if it stands in the way of happiness. We are not progressing as a society if we have lost the ability to understand what a woman is.

Truth does not care about feelings. Truth is truth. Truth is what accurately corresponds to reality. There is one ultimate reality and ultimate reality belongs to God. God is the Creator and we are the creation. God is the Potter and we are the clay. All of us derive our existence from this one God and all of us are accountable to this God. Instead of bending and attempting to alter this reality, we are to be submissive to God's truth. Truth plays for keeps. Jesus said in John 8:32, "That you will know the truth and the truth will set you free. Apart from truth, there is nothing but bondage."

CHURCH NEWS

North Hilliard Baptist Church, 552823 US HWY1, would like to invite all believers to partake in the Lord's Supper, Sunday, September 25 at the 11 a.m. service.

Attend the church of your choice this Sunday.

CES Warriors of the Month



Shown are the Warriors of the Month for the month of August at Callahan Elementary School. Our character trait for the month of August was RESPECT. Students were chosen by being respectful to their classmates and teachers.

Callahan Town News

Dawn S. West

The Callahan Town Council met Monday night for their final meeting of September. Joe Clark representing the Red Cross approached the podium. "I just wanted to come and introduce myself to the council as I am the Disaster Program Manager for the NE FL Region, which includes Callahan," said Clark. "We want to be present in this community and make ourselves known and what we do. We are a disaster team for house fires, flooding, hurricane/tornado damage, etc. We want to help get Callahan disaster ready. We are always looking for volunteers to join our team. I'll leave some literature with the clerk for more information."

The first and second agenda items concerned Public Hearings and Second and Final Readings. Resolution 2022-

R10 concerned setting the millage rate at 2.0896 for Fiscal Year 2022-2023. Resolution 2022-R11 concerned setting the Budget at \$12,501,340.00 for Fiscal Year 2022-2023.

The council approved both resolutions.

In other business, the council also approved Resolution 2022-R12, which concerned donating \$2,000 to the West Nassau Historical Society to assist with the Callahan Christmas parade.

The council also authorized the mayor to sign the Department of Economic Opportunity grant agreement for \$4 million. The money will go towards the Crawford Diamond water extension project.

The next meeting of the council will be Monday, October 3 at 7 p.m.

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Former Callahan Sports Association President Arrested for Fraud

According to Nassau County Sheriff's Office reports, the NCSO was contacted regarding a fraud report for the Callahan Sports Association. According to the complainant, the CSA was approximately \$40,000 short of what



they should be. The majority of the association's transactions occur through Square, Inc. and the Square account was only accessible by Bennie Clements, the CSA former president. The complainant and other CSA members questioned Clements about the account and missing money. Clements claimed he was unsure what happened and didn't have access to the account. A few days later Clements gave the complainant access to a Square account but it was a newly created account and also had a new email address for the account.

NCSO sent a request to the State Attorney's Office regarding the Square account. The deputy requested the name and address of the subscriber as well as the billing address and other pertinent information. Following much more investigation and 13 days later, Clements was arrested.

Based on the investigation, Bennie Alvin Clements, Jr. engaged in a systematic, ongoing course of conduct with intent to defraud (scheme to defraud) the Callahan Sports Association and thereby obtained \$22,414.01 that was supposed to go to the CSA for various football and cheer registrations. On September 15, 2022, Bennie Alvin Clements, Jr., 56, of Callahan, was arrested and charged with Organized Fraud Over \$20,000.

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Local Artist Memorializes 9-11 in Callahan

Heather Bishop, a local artist that has called Callahan home for about two years, felt moved to make sure September 11, 2001 was remembered around Callahan. Heather calls her talent installation art. She decides what project she is going to create and plans to tell a story with it. She chose to do a 9-11 tribute for one because the anniversary was near and for two she wanted all the first responders to know how much they were appreciated.

Heather began her story on September 8. She chose the center of Callahan at



each corner to display her creation. Each day she placed a new part of the story (the first plane hit the towers, the memorial, etc.) on each corner leading up to the finished product the morning of September 11. She contracted the help of businesses, Florida Sun Printing for the graphic and Trey at Brandies Ace Hardware and NCFR fireman Scott Tittle for bunker gear, to get the job done. "I make everything I use versus buying the

product. It's amazing what you find and what you can do with things. That's part of the art," said Heather. "I do a lot of history before I start a project as I want the story to be authentic and correct. That takes some planning when you have a timeline and finish date."

She had the finished project displayed by early morning Sunday, September 11 for passersby to see. As quick as she displayed her art, she made sure to remove it the morning of September 12, leaving nothing behind.

From her 9-11 Callahan project, she has been contacted by The Old Farmhouse owner Christi Park and also Conner's Service Center to do some projects for both.



She is currently working on the store front for The Old Farmhouse, located at the corner of Mickler Street and US 301 in the blue house. Make sure to ride by and just see what Heather

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Warriors Fall to the Eagles!



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Friday night the Warriors traveled to Jacksonville to play the Episcopal Eagles on their home turf. Again, it did not go the way we all wanted. The game ended with a score of 45-14 with the Eagles on top. This put the Warriors 1-3 on the season. This is the third blowout loss in a row for the Warriors. The schedule does not seem to be getting any easier for the Warriors as they take on Bishop Kenny this week, who comes into the match up 4-0.

The first half ended with a 10-0 lead for the Eagles. You never want to go into halftime down, but it is manageable. The third quarter saw the Warriors score their first touchdown. The Eagles also scored three touchdowns and really put the game out of reach for the Warriors.

Going into the fourth quarter the Warriors trailed 31-7. The Warriors did add seven points to their total making it 14. They gave up 14 more points to the Eagles totaling 45. For the game, the Warrior had only five first downs for the game. They also had six penalties. This is never a good stat when you

have more penalties than first downs in the game. On the bright side, the Eagles had 10 penalties.

Offensively in the passing game, Jackson Perry completed 5 of his 9 attempts for 50 yards and a touchdown. Earl Moore led the team in rushing with 94 yards on 4 carries and had an impressive 89-yard touchdown run. Moore also led the team in receiving and caught a touchdown pass. Moore scored all the touchdowns Friday night. He was basically the only person for the Warriors to have success against the Eagles defense Friday night.

Samuel Coxwell led the Warrior defense in tackles with 9 total, 5 solo



Kathy Carter

Congratulations, Chief Master Sergeant Canady!



The Florida National Guard bids a fond farewell to Command Chief Master Sergeant Tracey D. Canady, the State Command Chief of the Florida Air National Guard. Chief Master Sgt.

Canady, a longtime resident of Hilliard, recently celebrated his retirement with over 31 years of faithful military service to the state and nation. His accolades are numerous as he is a true American hero, Christian, co-worker and friend to many! Congratulations Chief!



and 4 assisted. Sean Middleton did record an interception for the Warriors.

Fumbles hurt the Warriors yet again. Putting the ball on the ground a total of 4 times losing all of them to the Eagles. This has been problematic for the team all season long. It needs to be cleaned if they want to have any chance against Bishop Kenny this Friday night.

This Friday's game will be played on Warrior field with a 7 p.m. kick off. The game will also be broadcast on radio station 92.5 FM.

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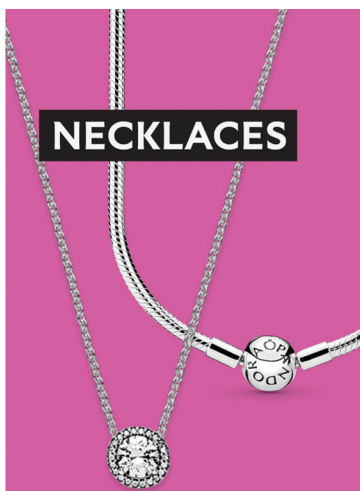
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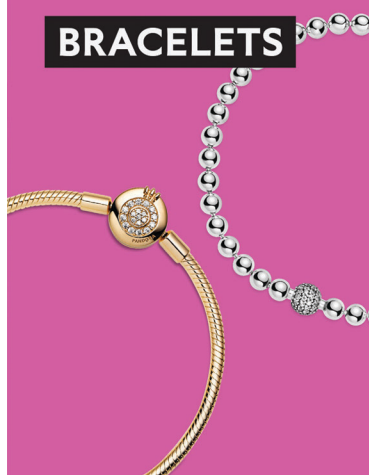
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Friday, September 9

Jessica Kay Fine, 40, 27081 Ohio Street, Hilliard: Burglary Vehicle with Theft from Vehicle; Theft/Under

Saturday, September 10

David Cecil Scheider, 35, 17380 Liller Road, Hilliard: Possession Schedule 1-4 Substance

Monday, September 12

William Alexander George, 37, 45190 Ewing Park Road, Apt. 73, Callahan: Aggravated Battery on Detained Person

Dustin Exteen Williams, 21, 54445 Lawhon Road, Callahan: Possession of Child Pornography (x 24)

Wednesday, September 14

Louie Glen Brandies, III, 49, 27267 W. 3rd Avenue, Hilliard: Battery on Person older than 65

Thursday, September 15

Bennie Alvin Clements, Jr., 56, 54795 Sheffield Road, Callahan: Organized Fraud of Over \$20,000; Second Degree Grand Theft

Sunday, September 18

Terry Lee Miller, 67, 553600 US Highway 1, Hilliard: Battery on Person Older than 65

Operation Keystroke... 11 Arrested

Nassau County Sheriff Bill Leeper held a press conference last Wednesday with the results of Operation Keystroke, a 4-day operation. The operation was held with NCSO, FDLE, FBI, Fernandina Beach Police Department, State Attorney's office and many other agencies. "This was a huge operation with lots of help from other agencies to coordinate everything. This was the first time that we (NCSO) have held one of these operations," said Leeper. "My hope was that we wouldn't catch anyone. Well, we did. And this will not be our last operation."

Sheriff Leeper then went through each of the arrested with a little background from each:

Richard Capra, 43, Yulee, thought he was traveling to have sex with a 14-year-old; career criminal and was released from Florida State Prison after burglary and another crime.

Tavarris Andrews, 31, Lehigh Acres, FL, Captain in the US Army, stationed at West Point Military Academy, wanted to have sex with 14-year-old.

Justin Campbell, 33, Woodbine, solicited 14-year-old child for sex and wanted naked pictures of child.

Sprite Poleski, 19, Jacksonville, admitted to soliciting minor for sex acts. Said if he had met her in person, he would discourage her from arranging online meetings to have sex, also deputies found 120 grams of marijuana inside his car.

Charles McPhail, 24, Jacksonville, wanted to have sex with 14-year-old.

Baraka Johnson, 25, Jacksonville,

wanted to have sex with 14-year-old, as well as with multiple other people "taking turns on her," also had 17.3 grams of marijuana in his possession.

Khalil Nether, 26, Sumner, GA, wanted to have sex with 14-year-old, traveled to undercover location to have sex.

Antonio Morales, 30, Jacksonville, wanted to have sex with 14-year-old, also charged with 6 counts of child porn on his phone.

Carlos James, 34, Jacksonville, thought he was communicating with mom of 13-year-old. When he was told girl was 13 he said he was okay with that.

Jeremy Kinsey, 30, Jacksonville, communicated online for sex.

Jeffrey Burrell, Fort Myers; "This is a picture of a dirty old man," said Leeper of Burrell. He wanted to pay 14-year-old girl to perform sex acts on him in car, also wanted to know if she was too young for marijuana. He is a law enforcement officer at Lee County Port Authority Police Department. He retired after 31 years of service as a law enforcement officer in Quincy, MA.

"Participating in this operation helps me realize we are saving children's lives. There are monsters out there that are looking for your children. Where ever you are, we (NCSO) will find you," added Leeper. "To parents, you can't be naïve about what your children are doing on their phones or the internet. Get in your child's business. It's your responsibility."

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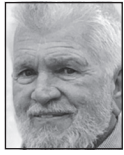
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JAMES DONALD BARBER



James "Jimmy" Donald Barber, 71, of Callahan, passed away on September 16, 2022. He was born on August 24, 1951 in Jacksonville, to James Elias Barber and Lottie Belle Sikes Barber. Jimmy enjoyed hunting, fishing, going to Disney World, cookouts with his family and friends, and play time with Belle and Fletch. More than anything he loved spending time with his family, especially his beautiful granddaughters that he loved to brag about. He was preceded in death by his parents; daughter LaDonna Barber; and brothers Jerome Barber and Gerald Barber.

Jimmy leaves behind his loving wife of 52 years, LaDonna Kaye Barber of Callahan; daughter Lisa Dennis of Jacksonville; brother Richard Barber of Bryceville; sister Georgia Ann Zetmeir of Hilliard; grandchildren Kalen Simpson and Kyndle Lager; and many nieces and nephews.

A celebration of Jimmy's life was held Thursday, September 22 at Nassau Funeral Home with Pastor Jeff Carter officiating. Interment followed at Bethel Primitive Baptist Church Cemetery. The family received friends Wednesday, September 21 at the funeral home.

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

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

LEE BROUGHTON



Lee Broughton, 66, of Jacksonville, went to be with the Lord September 13, 2022. He retired from Anheuser Busch. He enjoyed fishing, hunting and listening to rock-n-roll. He loved spending time with his family and grandkids. He was the rock that held us all down and will be greatly missed. He was

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preceded in death by wife Cathy (Amerson) Broughton; mother Joyce Wright Parrot; and father Stanley Broughton.

He is survived by children Jeannie (Ashley) Alday and Jamie Broughton (Anna Foltz); grandchildren Jacob and Brianna Broughton, Ashton and Addilyn Alday and Reagan Broughton; and sisters Rhonda, Sheila, Renee and Lisa.

The family received friends prior to a memorial service held Saturday, September 17 at Callahan Funeral Home, 617365 N. Brandies Ave.

Arrangements by Callahan Funeral Home, 879-2336.

JACK COLE, JR.



Jack Cole, Jr., 83, of Hilliard, went home to be with the Lord on September 14, 2022 at the Warner Center for Caring in Fernandina Beach.

Jack was born on October 3, 1938. He was of Baptist faith and loved his Lord. He served his country in the U.S. Navy. He was a welder by trade and retired from Machine Local 731. He enjoyed hunting, building things, carpentry and cutting his grass. Jack is preceded in death by his great-grandson Tristian White; father Jack Cole, Sr.; brother Steve Cole; father and mother-in-law Norman and Fannie Flake; brother-in-law Albert Owens; and sister-in-law Cleo Flake.

He is survived by his wife of 62 years, Betty Cole; two daughters Robin (Dwayne) Wilson and Rhonda (Keith) Campbell; five grandsons Jeremiah (Linda) White, Josh (Vanessa) White, Justin (Shawn) Knoble, Jessie (Carrie) Silcox and Cody Campbell; one granddaughter Ciara Campbell; great-grandchildren Kadence, Questin, Bella,

Lunydn, Maliki, Valkyrie, Maddison, Lucas and Lana; sister-in-law Evelyn Owens; brother-in-law Larry Flake; and many extended family members.

A special thank you to Evelyn and Donna Owens for all of the help and love they gave us in our time of need and to all of the workers at the Warner Center. Thank you to a very special friend Chaplin Jackie Hayes.

Pallbearers were Jeremiah White, Josh White, Justin Knoble, Jesse Silcox, Keith Campbell and Dwayne Smallwood.

The family received friends Wednesday, September 21 prior to the funeral service in the Chapel of Callahan Funeral Home. Burial followed at Pineview Cemetery in Folkston.

Arrangements by Callahan Funeral Home, Inc., 879-2336.

QUIP "PETE" HOLTON



Quip "Pete" Holton, 81, of Callahan, made his way into Heaven's gates Wednesday, August 31, 2022. He was born December 6, 1940 in Oden, Georgia to parents John Randolph "Big Daddy" and Ennis Carter Holton. He grew up with brothers John David, Jerry "Bird" and Thomas Dale "Joe".

He had a long career in the grocery and meat industry as well as working in the salvage auto parts industry with his brother Dale. He loved good sausage, Southern gospel and country music from Hank Williams, Sr. Most days of retirement, you could find him enjoying his back porch with

a cigarette and a fresh cup of coffee.

He leaves behind his wife of 60 years, Suzy Holton; four children Sherry (Carl) Nodine, Greg (Donna) Holton, Pete (Tina) Holton, Jr. and Terry (Jessica) Holton; along with seven grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

A graveside service was held at Buford Grove Cemetery with Dale Holton and Troy King officiating.

Arrangements by Callahan Funeral Home, 879-2336.

JOHN PAUL KELLY



John Paul Kelly, 59, of Callahan, passed away on September 15, 2022. He was born on January 29, 1963, in Jacksonville, to Frank Kelly

and Hazel Causey Conway. John proudly served his country in the United States Air Force as an Aircraft Mechanic. John loved woodworking and watching NASCAR. But more than anything, he loved spending time with his family. He was preceded in death by his father; and brothers Frank A. Kelly and Ronald Keith Kelly.

John leaves behind his mother, Hazel Conway; daughters Kimberly (Daniel) Kelly and Milly Elkin Crenshaw; former wife Lorri Peacock; sisters Lori (Duane) Cooper and Darlene (Web) Brown; nieces Sarah and Adrienne; nephews Frank and Jeremy; and many aunts and uncles.

A memorial service for John was held Tuesday, September 20 at Nassau Funeral Home.

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

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PAULINE FRANCIS RAYSOR



Mrs. Pauline "Paula" Francis Wright Raysor, 56, of Callahan, passed away Friday, September 16, 2022 in the Warner Center for Caring in Fernandina Beach, following a brief illness. Paula was born in Fernandina Beach and lived her entire life in Callahan. She was a member of the Second Baptist Church in Callahan. She worked at Dollar General as a Sales Associate for many years, most of those years in Callahan. She had an infectious smile that would light up any room and a personality to go with it. She was a wonderful wife, mother, sister and grandparent and a dedicated employee. She enjoyed playing basketball and loved traveling the country drag racing with her husband. She will be missed dearly by all those that loved and knew her! She is preceded in death by her parents, Joseph and Joan Wright.

She is survived by her loving husband, Charles Raysor; her son Charles (Dena) Raysor, Jr. of Alberta, Canada; two grandchildren Aaliyah and Brayson Raysor; and four brothers Craig Busbee, Jody Wright, Damien Wright and Michael Wright.

To honor the life of Mrs. Raysor, a visitation and gathering with the family was held Wednesday, September 21 in the Chapel at Guerry Funeral Home, Macclenny.

Guerry Funeral Home, Macclenny, is entrusted with arrangements.

WILLIAM CORY TIM SWEAT



William Cory Tim Sweat, 30, of Hilliard, passed away September 13, 2022 from a tragic accident while working on his Mustang. He was born on November 7, 1991 in Jacksonville, to Frank Timothy Sweat and Lisa Durkee Sweat. Cory graduated from Hilliard High School in 2010. He later received his Associates Degree in Aviation Operations from Florida State College at Jacksonville in 2013. Cory enjoyed hunting, fishing, the outdoors, and being a mechanic. More than anything, Cory loved spending time with his son, Blake. Together, they enjoyed dressing in camo and walking in the woods, playing video games and swimming in the pool. They were best friends and Cory loved Blake dearly.

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Cory was preceded in death by his grandfather Walter Frank Sweat; grandmother Louise Sweat Deen; and uncle Marshall Todd Sweat.

Cory leaves behind his parents, Frank T. and Lisa Sweat of Hilliard; son Blake Rylan Sweat of Kings Ferry; sister Michaela (Dustin) Sweat Bell of Folkston; grandparents Gordon and Mary Lou Durkee of Hartsford, NY; aunts Lauri Lavasseur, Lucy Gaulin, Lenore Dimerico and Tina Sweat; niece Ravenna Bell; and numerous cousins.

A celebration of Cory's life was held September 18 at Nassau Funeral Home with Bro. Billy Conner and Pastor Marvin Lee officiating. Interment followed at Kings Ferry Cemetery. The family received friends September 17 at the funeral home.

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DONALD LLOYD WEAKLEY



Donald Lloyd Weakley, 54, of Callahan, passed away on September 16, 2022. He was born on November 17, 1967 in Tarpon Springs, Florida.

Donald was a hardworking man that enjoyed working with heavy machinery at Realco in Jacksonville. Donald's love language was cooking for his family and friends. Donald also enjoyed fishing, being out on the water, music and playing drums. More than anything, he loved spending time with his family especially his grandchildren. Donald was preceded in death by his parents.

Donald leaves behind his partner and spouse of 15 years, Mia Wender; daughters Sara (Joshua) Endicott, Jessica (Lance) Hudgins and Baylee Wender; sisters Kedra Weakley and Donna Romines; grandchildren Ethan Compton, Logan Hudgins, Presleigh Hudgins, Anaiya Shuman, Emersyn Endicott, Hudson Endicott and Lincoln Endicott.

A memorial service for Donald will be held Friday, September 23 at 2 p.m. at Nassau Funeral Home.

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

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DAVID JOSEPH WOLFE



David Joseph Wolfe, 49, passed away peacefully Thursday, September 15, 2022, at home with his loving family by his side, following a battle with a brief illness. He loved God and his family dearly. He was passionate about motocross and was a major supporter to many riders cheering them on at the local tracks. David was the best grader operator in North Florida and worked in the road construction business since he was 18. He loved to make everyone laugh and always

had a smile on his face. He made friends everywhere he went. To know him is to love him. He will be deeply missed by his friends and family and all who knew him.

He leaves behind the love of his life, La Chanda Dampier Wolfe; his children Cierra Jean Wolfe (Colby Smith) and David Cole Wolfe (Alyson Barger); parents Bill and Arlene Wolfe; brothers Tim (Heather) Wolfe, Paul (Kristine) Wolfe and Mark (Laura) Wolfe; and many other extended family members and an enormous group of friends.

A celebration of life was held Thursday, September 22 at Brandy Branch Baptist Church in Bryceville. Funeral arrangements by Giddens-Reed Funeral Home.

LEE FAMILY THANK YOU

We are so appreciative for all the cards, flowers, food and kind expressions of sympathy shown to our family following the passing of our loved one, Joe Lee. Your support at this heart breaking time was a great comfort to all of our family.

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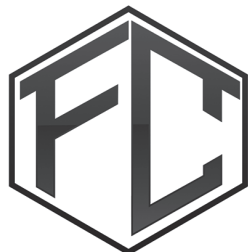
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Fresh off a dominant performance in their rebound game against Paxon, the Hilliard Flashes returned to the confines of Flashes Field to kick off a four-game home stretch. They began the stretch with an opponent they know all too well in the Lafayette Mayo Hornets. The Flashes came into this game winning the last two matchups against the Hornets, including a low-scoring 22-21 thriller at home in the 2020 playoffs.

The question remained; can the Flashes keep the streak going? The Flashes began the contest with the ball but their progress would be stalled as the Hornets defense forced a turnover. The Hornets offense set up shop at the Flashes 44-yard line and used their ground game to generate a competent drive. Their efforts were rewarded as the Hornets took the read option pitch towards the left side for a 17-yard



score. With the extra point good, the Hornets jumped out to an early 7-0 lead. After two straight drives, both team's defenses prevented any further advancement from the offense. The first quarter concluded with the score remaining 7-0 in Lafayette's favor. However, the Flashes responded! After getting pinned deep at their own 6-yard line, the Flashes offense relied majorly on the ground game to generate a 16 play, 94-yard drive. Their work paid off when Walker Avera made his impact in the game. Avera scored from 5 yards out. With the extra point no good, the Flashes were on the board trailing 7-6. After that, both teams struggled to get any offense going as the first half came to a close.

The second half produced a third quarter dominated by the Hornets. They used their potent rushing attack to generate back-

to-back scoring drives. One with a 4-yard rushing touchdown, and the other from 2-yards out. With the extra point good on both scores, the Hornets widened their lead to 21-6 to close out the quarter. The Flashes began their march to get back into the game when Lyle Bennett dropped a dime into the waiting hands of Nathaniel Vroman for a 27-yard touchdown pass. With the 2-point conversion attempt good, the Flashes cut the deficit down to 21-14. After the defense forced a punt, the Flashes offense got the ball back with the chance to tie the game. They drove down the field and were on their way to convert a crucial 4th and 5, but the Hornets defense rose up and stopped



the drive with another fumble recovery. The Flashes were given one last chance to tie the game after Avera blocked a punt that was recovered by Brandon Matthews at the Hornets' 25 yard line. The Hornets defense sealed the game with a late interception and the Flashes lost in heartbreaking fashion with the final score being 21-14.

Offensively, the Flashes produced 224 yards of total offense while committing 3 turnovers. Bennett went 8/14 for 95 yards, a touchdown, and an interception on the night; Avera led the ground game with 19 carries for 87 yards and a touchdown; Braydon Holley had 12 carries for 41 yards and 4 catches for 21 yards; Vroman led the team in receptions with 3 catches for 67 yards and a score; and Prestin O'Quinn had a catch for 7 yards. Colton Conner led the Flashes defense with 8 tackles and 5 solos; Billy Moore had 6 tackles; Brogan Johns and Klayton Bright both had 5 tackles with Johns recorded a pass breakup; and Damon Kibler and Matthews each had 4 tackles.

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