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A Community Mourns the Loss of NCSO Deputy Joshua Moyers

Suspect Captured After Five Day Manhunt

Dawn S. West

Last Friday, our town, our community was turned upside down. As news stations began to share the news about a shooting involving a Nassau County Sheriff's Office deputy, Friday became a day filled with sorrow, fear and anger. According to the NCSO reports, Deputy Joshua Moyers was dispatched to a call on US 301 out of Callahan around 2:30 a.m. While enroute, he was distracted by a van and pulled the vehicle over at Sandy Ford Road. Moyers called

and the vehicle sped off across the tracks before the train crossed. Seconds later, as Moyers' back up reached the scene, he saw Deputy Moyers flashlight lying on the ground and found Moyers on the ground. He quickly called for rescue and more back



up to respond.

How quickly a simple traffic stop turned into a horrible situation. Moyers was transported to UF Health trauma center in critical condition. NCSO deputies continued their pursuit of the suspect down Sandy Ford Road where they found the vehicle abandoned. After a search with canines, the passenger, a

A staging area was set up at Callahan First Baptist Church. Early Saturday morning, a food truck owner and a group of volunteers met at the church and began serving meals to the crews. The community has been amazing with the outpouring of food, snacks, drinks, water, etc., for the officers. Local restaurants provided meals. The Callahan First Baptist Family Life Center was quickly turned into a staging area where there were tables, restrooms and air conditioning. We are so blessed to live in such a loving and giving community. Gratitude goes out to Callahan First Baptist for graciously providing their building and resources, food and volunteers.

On Sunday, September 26, Deputy Joshua Moyers passed away. A reward of \$54,000 was offered to anyone who had information leading to the arrest and conviction of Patrick McDowell.

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Information from dispatch revealed that the vehicle was stolen from Jacksonville and that the driver wasn't who he said he was.

As Moyers returned to the suspect's vehicle, he asked the driver to step out of the vehicle. As Moyers reached for the handle to open the door, the driver, now known as Patrick McDowell, raised his right hand out the window and shot the deputy in the face. As he fell to the ground, McDowell shot Moyers in the back. At this time, a train was coming



woman, revealed herself from hiding under a shed. She cooperated with NCSO by giving officers the driver's name and information. It was then that an all-out manhunt began. Agencies from all over, including the FBI, FHP, ATF and several surrounding county agencies continued to thoroughly search the area on foot, with ATVs, helicopters, additional K9s and drones.



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A Community Mourns

Deputy Joshua Moyers was a 2010 graduate of Hilliard Middle-Senior High School. He was a member of the NCSO Explorers from 2011-2013. He graduated from St. Johns River State College for his Law Enforcement Officer training. Moyers began his career with the Nassau County Sheriff's Department in 2015. On July 14, 2018 Deputy Moyers received an ABCD Award for going 'Above and the Beyond the Call of Duty' on a Narcotics case. He was known for his proactive police work, good attitude and hard work. Deputy Moyers was engaged to be married.

Continue to keep the Moyers family and his fiancé, in your thoughts and prayers along with the NCSO family and



Nassau County Fire Rescue. So many lives have been tragically changed through this event.

On Monday afternoon, a procession was held as Deputy Moyers' body was transported by Nassau County Fire Rescue from Jacksonville through Callahan to Fernandina Beach to Oxley Heard Funeral Home. The roads were lined throughout the procession with hundreds of people paying their respects to our hero.

Deputy Moyers' family will receive friends Saturday, October 2 from 10 a.m. prior to the funeral service at noon at Callahan First Baptist Church. Burial will follow at Oakwood Cemetery in Hilliard. Our prayers continue for this family.

CAPTURED!

Tuesday, September 28 around 1:30 p.m. Patrick McDowell was captured at the Kirsten Higginbotham Sports Complex in Callahan. Deputies surrounded the restroom facility at the ballpark. They called out his name and he surrendered. "He crawled out of the restroom, like the coward he is. McDowell didn't obey orders completely and a canine were released on him again," said NCSO Sheriff Leeper. "It was then that he was handcuffed with Deputy Moyers handcuffs."

Deputies had zeroed in on the area of the Callahan sports complex, but were later led to him. According to the Nassau County Sheriff's Office reports, Monday, September 27 the suspect, Patrick McDowell, contacted Breiana Elizabeth Tole, 27, of Jacksonville.



Tuesday, September 28, after further investigation, Tole attempted to aid Patrick McDowell by removing him from the ballpark area. At that time, Breiana Tole knew that McDowell had committed the murder and came to his location with the intent that McDowell avoid or escape detection, arrest, trial or punishment. Tole was placed under arrest and transported to the Nassau County Detention Facility charged with Felony Accessory After the Fact.



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Letters to the Editor



Letters to the Editor may be emailed to news@westsidejournal.net but must include a complete name. Letters should be no longer than 300 words.

In Response

Dear Editor,

This letter is in response to one entitled "Disappointed." I have never seen a worst case of 'cranial rectumitis'. Anyone who holds the opinions he has, having lived through the past year's events, is truly suffering with a terminal condition. I pity him for there seems to be no cure. However, there are colonies for those suffering from his condition in states such as California, Washington, New York and Oregon. Perhaps he would feel more at ease in the communist cesspools those states have become. If he believes that Communist China has a better way of life, rather than the republic our forefathers founded, he should leave...I will help him pack. Anyone who thinks that electing a communist like Biden was a good idea should leave with him.

I have not agreed with everything written in Just My Opinion; however I will say that Roger West is more often right than he is wrong. Time has revealed that his opinions are indeed proving to be conspiracy fact. Those that hate this country, our way of life and the principles in which it was founded are no longer hiding their agenda for the American people. They dictate tyrannical policy for us while practicing hypocrisy in our face.

It is past time for Americans to make a stand and push back against this war we are in... and make no mistake we are indeed in a war. We have to fight this war on the local level... in our courtrooms, in our county commission meetings, in our school board meetings, and in our state legislature. It is time for Americans to take back the power the Founders gave "We the People" by holding our elected officials accountable, demanding an audit of the 2020 election, buying American products and services and boycotting any enemy to Liberty.

Jefferson Slatz

In Response

Dear Editor,

A recent "columnist" challenged Roger to explain to them (and the general public) "why you are Pro-Life" and could Roger do it without using religion or politics, while his "column" was surrounded in both. Secular humanism, atheism and other "ism's" are all religions. Mark Kaye stated recently that the mainstream media is a form of religion. They have preachers and prophets and are members of the church of lyingtology. I would like to use The Bible, The Word of God to state why Roger and I are "Pro-Life." In Genesis 2:7, "And the LORD God formed man [of] the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul." God Gives Life.

In John 10:10, Jesus states: "The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I Am (Jesus Is) Come that they might have life, and that they might have [it] more abundantly."

John 8:44, addresses those who want to and approve of taking an innocent life: "You are of [your] father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was 'a murderer' from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaks a lie, he speaks of his own: for he is a liar; and the father of it."

God Is Pro-Life, because He Created it. Satan is a murderer and so are those who are ok with taking an innocent life. I will stop with Romans 1:32, "Although they know God's righteous decree that those who do such things deserve death, they not only continue to do these very things but also approve of those who practice them."

Tommy Burns

In Response, Again

Dear Editor,

I wrote this letter so that the morons who spew hatred toward Roger and Dawn may be sure and read it. I was having back surgery last week, the day that Roger's mother passed. I must offer sincere condolences for the passing of such a great woman who could bring up an ethical, passionate, considerate man as Roger. God speed to Jesus, Mom!

I did not feel capable of answering the letter last week (Sept. 23rd edition) because I was still gagging on the stupidity of the two writers of "Letters to the editor." In the first place, as I have stated before, no one has come to your house with a gun to make you read "vomit." Roger owns the paper. Get your own paper, Mr. "Disappointed" and you can write as much Anti-Americanism as you want. I will protest, though.

How would it be if we had dozens of Dawns and Rogers to defend this small part of the Nation? They have done more for patriotism in the past few years than all of the "Disappointed" could muster. They helped people with financial disasters and family tragedies. Did you, Mr. Disappointed?

Did someone tell you that no weapons were left? Darn, no one told me! I heard from a reliable source they did. Please state your sources Mr. Disappointed. My sources were nationally recognized television reports, and oh yes, I saw an Arab person flying a Blackhawk! Could have been an Afghan soldier, but you said no weapons were left! Where in the world did he get an American Helicopter? Use your facts, as you asked Roger to do!

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1 box light brown sugar

4 eggs

1 stick butter

2 1/4 cup self-rising flour

Mix sugar, eggs and butter until creamy. Add flour and mix. Add vanilla, coconut and pecans. Line 9"x13" pan with tin foil. Pour in batter. Bake 1 hour at 300°.

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JUST MY OPINION

Roger R. West

First and foremost I humbly ask for prayers for the family and fiancé of Nassau County Deputy Josh Moyers who paid the ultimate price while serving the citizens of Nassau County. This is a man who loved his family, loved his “bride to be”, loved Nassau County and loved being a Deputy.

However, our prayers must extend further; we must pray for every member of “B” Team. At the end of their shift Friday morning they faced the one thing they never wanted to face, a team member fighting for his life because of a hideous human being that had no respect of life. One has to try and understand that in law enforcement, firefighting, military and such, your co-workers are so much more than just someone you work with. You all are family members; you become close and knitted to one another just like you do with family members at home. “B” Team has now lost a brother and is hurting yet they don’t get to take bereavement leave, they had to go right back to work the very next shift with broken hearts and a stark reminder of the dangers they face as they protect you and me. The entire Nassau County Sheriff’s Department is hurting right now and is functioning strictly off their adrenalin. Can you even fathom the emotions of the dispatchers that night?

This even goes further, as Sheriff Leeper stated, “Josh had called for backup. When the Deputy arrived on scene he saw Josh’s flashlight lying on the ground but didn’t see his “brother” lying on the ground until he made it to the front of the patrol car. This Deputy will be scarred for life, he will always

carry that vision in his mind, and he will always question why he didn’t arrive just 45 seconds sooner. The “what if’s” will plague him. He needs our prayers for God to comfort him and to release any guilty feelings he is harboring from that night. My heart goes out to him.

We need also to pray for the members of the Nassau County Fire Rescue personnel that responded and treated Josh. Yes, we rib one another with jokes such as, why did God make firefighters? Answer is because cops need heroes, too! However the truth is firefighters and law enforcement are extended family with one another and treating a fallen deputy is heart wrenching. This I know as a fact, I have been there myself.

I have to ask forgiveness for my thoughts of Patrick McDowell. He is not a human being in my mind; he is a cold blooded killer, a monster that does not deserve another day of breathing our air and eating our vegetables. He does not deserve a trial for he is guilty, proven by video and witness statements. We do not need to spend one red penny on him!

As always...that’s just my opinion!
Side note: The out pouring of community support by individuals and local businesses has been overwhelming. The Command Center at Callahan First Baptist Church, was well stocked to provide food and drinks for all the personnel working to find this killer.

Anyone wishing to contribute to the Moyers family may send donations to: NCSO Charities Inc., 77151 Citizens Circle, Yulee, FL 32097, Attn: Lawanna Ware; Memo: Moyers Family.
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Taking our family out for dinner is something we enjoy, sitting around the table at our favorite restaurant. Enjoying a tasty meal we often eat, no menu needed, we know just what to order. Talking about what happened at work and school, in the background is Georgia versus Florida playing on the television.

How often have we planned for Jesus to come over for dinner and what would we offer Jesus to eat as a meal? Would my house be ready for his presence? There are many things we should consider.

The book of Matthew shows one of Jesus' greatest testimonies of why Jesus came into the world and who he's willing to eat dinner with. Matthew 9:10-12, *"And it came to pass, as Jesus sat at meat in the house, behold many publicans and sinners came and sat down with him and his disciples. And when the Pharisees saw it, they said unto his disciples, Why eateth your Master with publicans and sinners? But when Jesus heard that, he said unto them, They that be whole need not a physician, but they that are sick."* Jesus takes great pleasure in visiting you for dinner and healing all of your sickness.

There may be someone who is so caught up with your possessions or your leisure pursuits or your career that you are neglecting your soul. Perhaps you are single and longing for a mate and you would consider marrying even a non-Christian, because you think he or she would bring you fulfillment and happiness. You would put earthly pleasure above the eternal pleasure of dinner with Jesus. You're saying, Lord, I can't come to your dinner because I need a little more time.

To allow anything to cause you to refuse or put off accepting God's offer of salvation is a foolish decision. The host gets angry at the refusal, because it was a rude personal insult to turn down such a bountiful invitation. God offered His own Son as the sacrifice for sinners to be reconciled to Him. As the author of Hebrews asks, *"How shall we escape if we neglect so great a salvation?"* Hebrews 2:3

As the host here declares, *"For I tell you, none of those men who were invited shall taste of my dinner,"* Luke 14:24 The refusal of the first group led the host to send out the invitation to others who accepted his offer.

One of the main hindrances that will keep us from having dinner with Jesus is that we are so full of your own goodness that we won't acknowledge our need for His banquet. Our pride says, I'll bring the salad and dessert. But the Lord says, No, I provide it all. You just come.

To have dinner with Jesus in His kingdom, you must respond personally to His invitation for salvation. Romans 10:8-11, *"But what saith it? The word is nigh thee, even in thy mouth, and in thy heart: that is, the word of faith, which we preach; That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. For the scripture saith, Whosoever believeth on him shall not be ashamed."*

By accepting him it will give us access to the banquet in heaven one day. What a time it is going to be with the King of Kings and the Lord of Lords. Jesus is saying to each of us, no matter how great your sins, come, for I have prepared everything for you to be saved from God's judgment and to dine with Me for all eternity. Will you say, yes, Lord, I'll come.

Keep Nassau Beautiful Hosts Free Tree Drive-through Events

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Beginning Saturday, October 2 and on alternating Saturdays in October, Keep Nassau Beautiful (KNB) volunteers and partner organizations will be holding three free-tree drive-through events where residents will pick-up one or two free trees to be planted in Nassau County.

Individuals, businesses and organizations may reserve free trees by completing these easy steps; Review UF/IFAS tree fact sheets for the available species and view an educational video. Once the online learning is complete residents will be ready to complete the Free Tree Reservation form to select their preferred tree species and pick-up location. Completion of the reservation

form is required 72 hours prior to the drive-through event. Nassau County proof of residency and completion of the reservation form is required the day of the event to pick up one or two of our 3-gallon size trees. Residents are also asked to help the tree get its best chance at a healthy long life by following a watering schedule until the tree gets established.

Free tree drive-through events are scheduled as follows: Callahan: Saturday, Oct. 2; Yulee: Saturday, Oct. 16; and Fernandina Beach: Saturday, Oct. 30. All events will be held between 9 a.m. – 11a.m. Details and reservation form at <https://keepnassaubeautiful.org/news-andevents/>.

The project is being generously funded through dedicated grants, fundraising activities and private donations. Liberty Landscape Supply sponsors the supply of the 4-species of trees for the drive-through events.

Garden Tips from Callahan Garden Club

October is a perfect time to begin a herb garden. Try a variety such as dill, fennel, oregano or sage, which can be grown from seeds or transplanted. The Garden Club of Callahan will have its regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, October 6 at 10 a.m. This month our program will include Floral Design information and a tribute to our longtime member and friend, Bertie Tanner, who passed away on September 14.



The Garden Club meets at 10 a.m. the first Wednesday of each month (September through May) at our Club House, 45251 Fourth Avenue. Guest speakers at each meeting provide information on current trends in gardening. If you have an interest in gardening or horticulture please join us. Visitors are always welcome! You will be inspired!

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Naturally Nassau: It Takes Guts to Bust Ruts!

Nancy Lee Bethea

What are ruts? They are those semi-circular grooves made by wheels traveling the same roads day in and day out. Ruts can also be habits we repeat so often, they become second nature and keep us from trying things, meeting people, or taking risks. In my imagination, I see ruts as evil smiles rising from the ground, happily preventing us from change.

And change can be scary. One scary change I made involved accepting a teaching job a couple of years ago at LaVilla School of the Arts in downtown Jacksonville. Students audition for one of nine arts areas (band, chorus, orchestra, guitar, piano, drama, visual arts, technical theater, and creative writing) when they apply for admission. The school also offers top-notch advanced academic classes. Our daughter, Hayden, has blossomed there, becoming more proficient on her cello and doing well in her academics. Looking back, I'm thankful I took the position at LaVilla.

It has also made me appreciate being a mom even more than I did before. One of my fondest LaVilla memories is from December 2019 (before the school shutdowns caused by Covid-19) when Thelma, my mother-in-law, Stan, my husband, and other relatives attended Hayden's first orchestra concert as a sixth grader. We enjoyed hearing her play cello with her school orchestra.



Now, I'm thankful I took the position at LaVilla. Doing so has stretched me and made me a better teacher. I've also modeled a willingness to try new things for my family.

Another change I made more than ten years ago was establishing a community writing group here in Callahan. I participated in writing groups in cities where I lived in the past, and they were wonderful. So, I wondered if a creative writing group would fly in Callahan. Naysayers who told me no one would come were plentiful, but the group has flourished for the past 11 years.

Starting the writing group moved me out of a rut and helped me adjust from city life to country life in a positive way. It also provided a space and a place for more creativity in my life and in the lives of attendees.

Finally, another change I made involves my reading preferences. I try to read my Bible early every morning during my devotional time, but for many years,

fiction served as my pleasure reading genre of choice. Of course, there's nothing wrong with fiction. Some compelling fiction titles I've read this year are "Jane Eyre" by Charlotte Bronte, "The Four Winds" by Kristin Hannah, and "The Only Woman in the Room" by Marie Benedict. Characters and plots may be made up, but through fiction, we can enter other worlds and empathize with characters' problems and situations.

That being said, a few years ago I chose to leave my 'fiction rut' and expand my reading choices. I read more non-fiction, poetry, and drama. Right now, I'm reading "The Power of Writing It Down" by Allison Fallon. In the book, Fallon shares how the simple act of writing down your thoughts for 10 to 15 minutes a day can help you clear mental clutter and find your unique voice. I highly recommend this book to everyone.

I'm also reading "The Collected Poems of Emily Dickinson," which is a book my mom gave me. I've been writing poems in Dickinson's style as a

result, and it has been so much fun.

I encourage you to step back and examine your daily habits. Are you stuck in any ruts? If so, know you have the power to change, leave the ruts, and travel new roads.

One way Stan does this is by learning new things from YouTube videos. He just watched one on window tinting and another on how automobile automatic transmissions work. Together, we like to try new restaurants, take walks or bike ride in parks near and far, and meet new people.

We also try to pause a few times a week as a family to verbalize what we are thankful for. Being grateful for our blessings helps us keep things in perspective and remain open to ways God may want to use us to impact others. He created us in His image to glorify Him, not to stay stuck in ruts of our own making!

Nancy Lee Bethea is a Callahan resident who directs the Creative Writing Program at LaVilla School of the Arts in Jacksonville. If you're interested in attending the Callahan Creative Writing Workshop beginning in the spring of 2022, please contact Nancy at nancyleebethea@gmail.com.

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A Privilege to Serve



Kim Hoffecker

On Saturday, September 18, 2021, reinterment services were conducted for Lt. General Nathan Bedford Forrest and his wife, Maryann Montgomery Forrest at "Elm Springs," the National Headquarters of the Sons of Confederate Veterans in Columbia, Tennessee. Two days of visitation were held prior to the service, with visitors respectfully passing the caskets of the General and his wife. A rotating, four-man Honor Guard posted the front and rear doors of Elm Springs, as well as at the head and foot of the caskets. This Guard was changed hourly, around the clock, up until the time of the service at 10 a.m. on Saturday morning. I am proud to say that I was one of the 80 men chosen from throughout the SCV for this duty, along with another Kirby Smith Camp 1209 member, Chris Elands.

On Friday, Elands, myself and two other men were assigned the duty from 4-5 p.m., busy in that many visitors

came through Elm Springs paying their respects to one of the greatest Calvary Officers in Military history. I then had a break, but returned for another duty from 3-4 a.m. The home was closed during this time. I felt that not only had I been given a rare opportunity to honor the General and his wife in serving as Honor Guard, but in some way was experiencing a piece of history that few people would ever know. During that hour the hall was illuminated only by the overhead chandelier. I was posted at the head of the General's flag draped casket, while another man was posted at the foot of Mrs. Forrest's casket. During the entire hour, not a word was spoken, not a sound was made. Alone with my thoughts, thinking only about this man and those who rode and fought with him. Shortly before my shift ended, I rested my left hand on the edge of the casket and just thought about how close I was to a part of history.

NCCOA and FDOH-Nassau Partner to Publicize Opioid Prevention



Nassau County Council on Aging (NCCOA) and the Florida Department of Health (FDOH)-Nassau have partnered to publicize the dangers of opioid abuse in the local community. Three NassauTRANSIT vehicles, traveling countywide, now have bus-length signage featuring public service announcements produced by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC).

The signage is sponsored by FDOH-Nassau through a grant tied to the C.R.O.W.N. (County Response to Opioids/Substances Within Nassau) Program. This program, designed through our local health department, aims to prevent and reduce substance and opioid use by children and young adults within Nassau County. Each NassauTRANSIT bus features a PSA with targeted messaging, such as "Prescription opioids can be addictive and dangerous. It only takes a little to lose a lot." and "There is hope. Recovery is possible." Citizens are encouraged to contact the CDC (cdc.gov/RxAwareness) and/or FDOH (www.florida.nassauhealth.gov) for additional information.

"Opioid abuse is becoming more and more prevalent in our community," said Prince Danso-Odei, MD, DrPH, MPH,

FDOH-Nassau Administrator. "Our prevention and treatment messaging is prominent on NassauTRANSIT's buses, and we appreciate the opportunity to get the word out in our county."

"We are extremely proud to partner with Nassau's Health Department on this important initiative," said Janice Ancrum, NCCOA President & CEO. "It is a critical message for people of all ages, and we are happy to help with publicity throughout Nassau County."

"We are glad this collaboration will help raise awareness about opioid use within the county as a response to our increasing needs," said Ray Richardson, MSW Community Prevention Coordinator; while Lee Anne Stephens, BSN RN Youth Prevention Coordinator said, "It is exciting for our community to be able to learn about opioid/substance use and we thank NassauTRANSIT for their partnership to make this possible."

NassauTRANSIT bus sponsorships are available for local businesses and organizations, and create a win-win for both NCCOA and the sponsor. Contact Liz Dunn, NCCOA Marketing & Communications Director, ldunn@nassaucountycoa.org, for additional information.

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There is a slight coolness in the air bringing all the enjoyment of fall. It also is a reminder that it's time for one of our own fun places to visit, Conner's A-Maize-ing Acres, opens this Saturday. How blessed we are to have a corn maze right in our own community. Conner's is located off of CR 121 in Hilliard on 125 acres of beauty. The theme for this year's corn maize is Bee Kind!

The following is a little of the history of Conner's A-Maize-ing Acres. In December 2002, two weeks before Christmas, Eddie Conner, a 5th generation farmer in Nassau County, found himself out of a job. A knock at the door that day, two hours before it was reported on the TV, brought the news that Mr. Conner and 88 other poultry growers were effectively put out of business. Tyson was closing the



providing a place where families, can come together and enjoy good clean fun. The Conners strive to educate the public on the importance of agriculture and the American

doors to their poultry operation in north Florida. As fate would have it, Amanda McLendon, the Conner's daughter, and a friend, Beth Gregory, read about and visited a corn maze in Jennings two years before. They returned so excited



they wanted Mr. Conner to open a maze on the family farm immediately! Mr. Conner, having his hands full with four poultry houses, producing approximately 400,000 chickens a year, plus cattle and hay, told Amanda she was crazy. He did not have time for such nonsense.

As the days went by, after Tyson closing, the Conners were concerned about what they would do to make a living. As they discussed various options, God brought to their memory about the maze in Jennings, and now maybe it would be something to try. So they prayed and asked God to guide them, did some research on the internet, talked to their children, and visited two Florida mazes. After the farmer who owned the maze in Jennings made the statement, "It has been the most fun in farming I have ever had," the Conners took a giant leap of faith and joined the Maize organization. Then the work began... Conner's A-Maize-Ing Acres opened October 18, 2003. The Conner's inaugural season was a huge success, helping approximately 12,000 people "Get Lost" while being dedicated to

farmer. They are quick to tell you that without God's blessings and the help of family, friends and their church family, they could have never made it.

If you've never been to Conner's, you have the whole month of October (Saturdays) to fit a trip in. There are so many fun things to do for children and families. They are open on Fridays from 2 – 10 p.m.; and Saturdays from 10 a.m. – 10 p.m. This year they have added food trucks that will be at the Maize. They also offer night time wagon rides on Fridays and Saturdays. You can visit their Facebook page or website: connerscornmaze.com to see the entire line up of events going on throughout the month.

This Saturday, October 2, visitors can receive 1 FREE Admission by bringing the ad from page 6 in this paper. To save some money, purchase your admission tickets online at the above website.

Make sure to take advantage of a fun day at Conner's A-Maize-ing Acres. You'll be glad you did!

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Thursday, September 23

Kirsten Rebecca Asbell, 28, Callahan: Violation of Probation

Saturday, September 25

Jennifer Lee Faircloth, 44, Callahan: Violation of Probation

Rebecca Ruth Fisher, 38, Hilliard: Failure to Appear

Sunday, September 26

Haylie Jacqueline Ryals, 21, 56146 Haylie Lane, Callahan: Battery on Law Enforcement Officer (x 3); Felony Criminal Mischief; Disorderly Conduct; Resist with Violence Aggravated Assault

Monday, September 27

Michael Keith Bowen, Jr., 24, Hilliard: Violation of Probation

Operation Behind the Tracks

During the month of June 2021, the Nassau County Sheriff's Office received numerous complaints about several drug houses being operated off of Oneil-Scott Road Fernandina Beach. The Nassau County Narcotics Unit, which consists of deputies from the Nassau County Sheriff's Office and officers from Fernandina Beach Police Department, began formulating a plan of action to initiate a narcotics investigation in that area based off the information received from complaints. During the investigation detectives were able to develop sale of cocaine charges on several narcotic suppliers from Oneil-Scott Road.

On September 15, 2021, the Nassau County Narcotics Unit, along with members from the Florida Highway Patrol, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, NCSO and FBPD conducted a narcotics operation that consisted of locating and arresting several suspects with active arrest warrants in the Oneil-Scott Road area. During the operation six suspects were arrested for charges involving both sales and

possession of cocaine. "The people who were involved in this operation are drug dealers and repeat offenders," said Sheriff Bill Leeper. "We see the destruction that these illegal narcotics reek on the homes, individuals and families within our communities. If you have knowledge of someone dealing illegal drugs within Nassau County please let us know."

Arrested were: Marcus Laquan Jones, 41, from Fernandina Beach, Possession of Cocaine, Sale of Cocaine (19 prior arrests for various charges); Terrence Renard Johnson, 48, from Fernandina Beach, Sale of Cocaine (4 prior arrests for various charges); Vincent Joseph Jones, 70, Fernandina Beach, Sale of Cocaine (27 prior arrests for various charges); Nason Vincent Jones, 32, Fernandina Beach, Sale of Cocaine (21 prior arrests for various charges); Joshua Ahman Malachi Jones, 23, Fernandina Beach, Possession of Cocaine (31 prior arrests for various charges); and Ty'Lek Latroy Sharper, 18, Fernandina Beach, Sale of Cocaine (14 prior arrests for various charges).

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Janet H. Adkins, Supervisor of Elections for Nassau County, alerts voters to unofficial voter registration mailings. Over 600 Nassau County residents will receive letters from the Voter Participation Center or the Center for Voter Information in the coming weeks. Each letter contains a pre-filled voter registration application form, and a return envelope addressed to the Nassau County Supervisor of Elections office.

The Voter Participation Center and the Center for Voter Information are third-party nongovernmental organizations and are not affiliated with the Nassau County Elections office. The Nassau County Elections Office has not printed, distributed, nor provided the data used in these mail pieces. The Florida Association of Supervisors of Elections (FSASE) submitted a letter of concern to both agencies expressing concern regarding the incorrect data used in these mailings, which have created confusion and distrust in elections in the past. "These ongoing misleading and inaccurate mailings from the VPC and CVI continue to erode voter confidence and increase suspicion, mistrust, and anger among Florida voters," states Wesley Wilcox, Marion

County Supervisor of Elections and President of the FSASE.

You may contact these nongovernmental organizations to request removal from their future mailings: Voter Participation Center, email: unsubscribe@voterparticipation.org, Web: voterparticipation.org, Phone: (877) 255-6750.

Center for Voter Information: email: unsubscribe@centerforvoterinformation.org, Web: centerforvoterinformation.org, Phone: (866) 290-1599

"I encourage any person receiving election-related material to look for the 'Official Election Mail' emblem. This emblem signifies you are receiving election information from a reliable source," said Supervisor Adkins.

Voters can check their official voter registration status by visiting the Elections Office website at www.VoteNassau.com and selecting "My Voter Status." To register to vote, visit www.VoteNassau.com and select "Online Voter Registration."

For questions or concerns regarding this migration or election-related concerns, don't hesitate to contact 904-491-7500 or info@VoteNassauFL.gov.

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MARSHA ELAINE BISHOP

Marsha Elaine Bishop, 68, of Callahan, went home to be with the Lord on August 31, 2021. She was born on January 18, 1953 in Jacksonville, to Jake Quincy Thornton and Margaret Mary Carter Thornton. Marsha was a loving wife, mother and grandmother. She will be missed dearly and can never be replaced.


Marsha leaves behind her husband of 52 years, Michael Bishop; daughters Melissa (Chad) Kerch and Heather Bishop; granddaughter Chloe Kerch; brothers Richard Thornton and Ronald Thornton; and several other extended family members.

The family will receive friends at 10 a.m. Friday, October 1 prior to the funeral service at 11 a.m. at Nassau Funeral Home with Chaplain Jim Cox officiating. Interment will follow at Edgewood Cemetery.

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

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

ORMAN BEVERLY DAVIS



Orman "Pete" Beverly Davis, 88, of Callahan, passed away peacefully in his sleep on September 6, 2021. He was born in his home in Elkton, Virginia to the late Paul Vernon and Lillian Kisling Davis. Orman was a very proud 30-year Veteran who served in Vietnam. He retired from the United States Navy as a Master Chief Ships Serviceman. He loved to share stories about his military experiences. Orman was an avid coin collector and enjoyed gardening, especially citrus trees, peppers, carrots, beets and tomatoes. He built many things from birdhouses to bunkbeds, dressers and desks for his grandsons. He loved fishing and the outdoors. He was grateful to live next door to his family and enjoyed teaching his grandsons about coins, gardening,

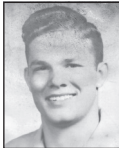
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building and fishing and much more. He was preceded in death by his loving wife Sheila Davis.

Orman leaves behind his son Dave (Jamzee) Davis; grandsons Garrett, Dalton and Kyle Davis; step-grandchildren Jeremy and Emily Ford; brother Paul Davis, Jr.; and sisters Shirley (Franklin) Campbell and Gale Good.

A graveside service will be held Friday, October 8 at 10 a.m. at Arlington Park Cemetery in Jacksonville.

AID "TURNER" HADDOCK, JR.



Aid "Turner" Haddock, Jr., 92, of Hilliard, passed away September 26, 2021 at his home. He was born in Kings Ferry, to the late Aid Turner Haddock and Anna Braddock Haddock. After honorably serving his country in the US Army, Mr. Haddock worked for many years in sales of electrical equipment before retiring. Soon after, he started his own business, Haddock Sales, which marketed automotive additives.

Mr. Haddock enjoyed hunting when he was younger. He was an avid golfer and was so good at it, he almost turned professional. He had a good sense of humor and loved to aggravate his grandchildren with nicknames he would make up, even going so far as to name his cows after them. He was a huge UF fan and up until recently, would always host large Florida/Georgia game parties at his home. Mr. Haddock was a member of Ephesus Baptist Church in Hilliard for most of his life and was a Mason. He is preceded in death by his late wife Patricia Haddock; his parents; and several brothers and sisters.


He leaves behind his wife, Sandra Drury of Hilliard; daughter Tracey (Chester) Parrott of Douglas, Georgia; step-daughter

Treva Browning of Atlanta, Georgia; sisters Clara Jean Arnett of Yulee and Hazel Groover of Kingsland; grandson Joshua Parrott; granddaughters Summer (Chris) Brigmond, Lisa (Kevin) Spivey, all of Ambrose, Georgia; great-grandchildren Jacob, Brittney, Raelyn, Brantley, Walker and Stella; and four great-great-grandchildren.

His family received friends Tuesday, September 28 at his home, 48907 Haddock Drive, Hilliard. The funeral service was held Wednesday, September 29 at Ephesus Baptist Church in Hilliard. Burial followed in Haddock Cemetery, Hilliard.

Oxley Heard Funeral Directors, Fernandina Beach.

JOSEPH BENJAMIN HORNE



Joseph Benjamin Horne, 92, of Callahan, went home to be with the Lord Saturday, September 25, 2021 in Jacksonville. He was born July 24, 1929. Joe was a born-again Christian and was always an active servant in the church, whether being a Sunday school teacher, choir member or leading the Senior's class at G.E.M.'s Cafe every Tuesday at Evangel Temple. He was a Veteran of the US Army and served in the Korean War. He was retired from Shell Oil, where he worked for many years in management. He held several jobs over his 92 years, such as the Merchant Marines, Jacksonville Shipyard, Murray Hill Post Office, Murray Hill Auto Body Shop and serving on the Callahan Town Council from 2003-2007 and the Callahan Planning and Zoning Board from 2007-2018. He was loved by all his friends and family and leaves behind a great void in all their hearts. While living in Callahan, he was

also a part of the West Nassau Genealogical Society, West Nassau Historical Society and Callahan Lions Club.

He is preceded in death by his parents Fred and Elizabeth Burnsed Horne; wife Cleo Wainwright Horne; sons Raymond Horne, Robert Horne and Michael Crews; brother Fred Horne and sister Edna Horne.


He leaves behind his children Joseph (Debbie) Horne, Jr. and Cindy (Mike) Williams; brothers Ed (Sun) Horne and Ralph (Eloise) Horne; sister Betty Horne; grandchildren Heather (Jimmy) Byrd, Adrian Szocinski, Joshua (Wendi) Williams, Kaleb (Mariah) Williams, Joseph Horne, III, Aaron Williams and Ben Sofge; and great-grandchildren Mariah Byrd, Michael Byrd, Ashley Szocinski and Bryan Scozinski.

The family will receive friends Wednesday, September 29 from 5-7 p.m. at Nassau Funeral Home. A second viewing will be held Thursday, September 30 at 10 a.m. at The Anchor Church of God in Callahan and the funeral service will follow at 11 a.m. Burial will follow the service at Hardage-Giddens on Normandy Boulevard in Jacksonville.

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

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DEPUTY JOSHUA J. MOYERS



Deputy Sheriff Joshua Joseph Moyers, 29, passed away Sunday, September 26, 2021 at UF Health in Jacksonville. He was born in Jacksonville. Josh was a son of Tim and Brenda Davis Moyers. His parents brought him home from the hospital to Nassau County and it was his home for all of his years. Josh was a 2010 graduate of Hilliard Middle-Senior High School. Always one to set goals and pursue them with hard work and discipline, he continued his education at St. Johns River State College where he earned his Bachelor of Arts degree in Public Safety. He was proud of his career with the Nassau County Sheriff's Office and eagerly put on his NCSO uniform each day as he

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Flashes Roll Past Raiders

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Fresh off of a defensive duel on Monday night to remain unbeaten, the Hilliard Flashes continued their three-game road trip to take on the Crescent City Raiders. The last time these two teams squared off was in 2016 with the Flashes winning.

The Raiders won the coin toss and received the opening kickoff, gashing the Flashes kickoff team inside their own 45 yard line. The positive momentum didn't last very long because the Flashes defense created a turnover when Walker Avera forced and recovered his own fumble, setting the Flashes offense up at their own 30. The offense went right to work using explosive plays from the ground game that led to Avera being punched into the end zone for a 2-yard score. With the extra point missed, the Flashes sprung out to an early 6-0 lead. The momentum kept on rolling for the Flashes as Avera channeled a heat seeking missile and sprinted straight to the punter untouched to block the kick and set up the offense with prime real estate at the Raider 20 yard line. On the ensuing play, the Flashes took full advantage of the big play on special teams thanks to DJ Coston

gliding through the Raider defense untouched for a 20-yard touchdown run. After the extra point was missed, the Flashes stretched the lead out a little further to 12-0. But, the Raiders would answer the call by relying on special teams for an 80-yard kick six. The extra point was good and the Raiders were on the board 12-7. The Flashes answered back using the offense to march methodically down the field. The drive was then capped off with another touchdown when Lyle Bennett connected with Seth Moore on a flat route for a 10-yard score. And at the end of the first quarter, the Flashes emerged with a healthy 20-7 lead.

It was much more of the same in the second quarter, this time the Flashes used their defense to keep the momentum rolling. Coming off the edge, Tucker Pickett bolted for the quarterback and forced an erratic throw that was intercepted by Bradyn Matto who navigated through the Raider offense for a 54-yard pick six. With the failed 2-point conversion, the Flashes extended the lead 26-7. But, the Raiders were able to respond with a scoring drive of their



own, this time using the aerial attack to do it with a 49-yard touchdown pass. With the extra point good, the Raiders began to claw back into the game cutting the deficit down to 26-14. However, the Flashes dumped a bucket of water on the momentum the Raiders were beginning to form and they used a combination of both the offense and defense to do so. On defense, the Flashes found themselves pinned inside their own goal line. But, the Raiders had no answer for Pickett as he came free off the edge and forced another bad pass that was intercepted by Avera. The Flashes capitalized on the turnover when Coston shredded through Raider defenders for a 22-yard touchdown run. With a successful 2-point conversion, the Flashes went into halftime with a healthy 34-14 lead.

It was more of the same in the third quarter. The Flashes began the quarter with the football and continued to roll with help from Avera as he cruised into the end zone untouched thanks to textbook blocking from the line for a 3-yard touchdown run. With the 2-point conversion good, the Flashes continued to fertilize their lead to 42-14. But, then the Raiders were able to answer with a scoring drive of their own with a 2-yard touchdown run. With the extra point good, the Raiders cut into the deficit a little more with the score being 42-21 at the end of the quarter.

There was not much offense to

document from both teams. However, the Flashes defense was able to force two more turnovers before the game finished. First, it was Avera coming off a blitz in the red zone and forced another erratic throw that was in the waiting arms of Damon Kibler. Then, in garbage time, the Raiders had an issue with the handoff as their ball carrier played hot potato with the pigskin and was recovered by Brandon Matthews. And as the game concluded, the Flashes emerged victorious on the road with a 42-21 victory over the Raiders to improve their record to 5-0.

The Flashes offense had their way with the Raiders defense, gashing them with 227 yards rushing and putting up 374 yards of total offense. Lyle Bennett went 10/15 for 147 yards and a touchdown and a carry for 10 yards; DJ Coston had 13 carries for 115 yards and 2 touchdowns; Walker Avera had 10 carries for 46 yards and 2 touchdowns; and Braydon Holley had 7 carries for 57 yards. On the receiving end were the Coston brothers with Dylan having 4 catches for 62 yards; and DJ having 3 catches for 39 yards; Bradyn Matto had 2 catches for 36 yards; and Seth Moore caught the touchdown pass from 10 yards out.

Defensively, it was a living nightmare for the Raiders as the Flashes forced 5 turnovers and a blocked punt. Walker Avera had 5 tackles, an interception, a forced fumble and fumble recovery; Klayton Bright had 5 tackles and a pass breakup; Damon Kibler had 4 tackles and an interception; Carson Newkirk and Ricky Vining each had 3 tackles. Brandon Matthews had a fumble recovery; Bradyn Matto had the pick six in the 2nd quarter; Brogan Johns and Angelo Benjamin each shared a pass breakup; and Tucker Pickett had 2 quarterback pressures.

The Hilliard Flashes have a bye this week, but return to action next week (Thursday, October 7) to face the Providence Stallions on the road with a 7 p.m. kickoff.

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served his community.

Josh was a loving and incredible young man with a servant's heart. The discipline and character that were his trademarks were exemplified throughout his life. He always strived for perfection in everything he did. Whether it was his service as a Deputy Sheriff or as a son, brother or fiancé, Josh made his best effort. It is said of Josh he had the ability to "fight the battle of Jericho" because he was so intent and dedicated to his purpose, then "the walls would come tumbling down." He was a smart, kind and loving person who always tried to help anytime he could. He could light up a room with his sense of humor. If his family needed something he would make it happen. He enjoyed surprising the ones he loved with gifts and acts of kindness. Josh had the unique quality of being able to make a special occasion even more special by his thoughtfulness and desire to make others happy. A true "Country Boy" Josh loved the outdoors. He especially loved

hunting. His passion was hunting wild hogs with dogs. As in the rest of his life he was even dedicated in the woods.

He was predeceased by his maternal grandparents Joseph Lester and Delores Davis; and his paternal grandparents Davie B. and Sally Moyers.

Josh leaves behind his parents, Tim and Brenda Moyers of Hilliard; his brother Jordan Moyers of Broomfield, CO; his fiancé Ivy Carter of Callahan; his Papa Dickie Davis of Hilliard; as well as a large extended family of aunts, uncles and cousins.

Services to remember and celebrate his life will be held Saturday, October 2 at 12 p.m. at Callahan First Baptist Church. The family will receive friends from 10 a.m. until the hour of the service. He will be laid to rest with full honors at Oakwood Cemetery in Hilliard.

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On Saturday, October 9, there will be a drive-by event at the American Legion in Fernandina Beach from 11 a.m. – 2 p.m. to celebrate her 100th birthday. Please come, honk your horns and show her some extra love!

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