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VIA OVERNIGHT MAIL

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Florida Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

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Re: 2022 Annual Lifeline Data Request

Dear Sir or Madam:

Windstream Florida, LLC (“Windstream”) hereby provides its Annual 2022 Lifeline Data Request response.

Windstream asks that the information contained in the enclosed response be treated as confidential under Section 364.183, F.S. and Rule 25-22.006, Florida Administrative Code. Windstream deems this information to be confidential because it contains market-sensitive information that competitors could use to their economic advantage. Accordingly, Windstream treats this information as confidential and proprietary within the Company and does not share it in any public forum.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at 501.748.7442.

Sincerely,

Tim P. Loken
Tim Loken

Attachments
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CLEC AND WIRELESS LIFELINE DATA REQUEST 2022

To assist the Florida Public Service Commission in the development of our Annual Report to the Governor, President of the Senate, and Speaker of the House of Representatives on the Lifeline program as required by Chapter 364.10, Florida Statutes, **please provide responses to the following questions by August 16, 2022. Your responses should include your company name, contact person, and email address.**

Please answer the following questions as they relate to your company's Florida Lifeline customers, providing data for fiscal year July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2022.

For those items requesting the data be reported monthly, provide the appropriate number as of the last day of each month during the review period.

1. The number of residential access lines in service each month. [\(See Attachment 1\)](#)
2. The number of customers participating in Lifeline each month. Note: Do not include customers receiving Lifeline through the Transitional Lifeline provision. [\(See Attachment 1\)](#)
3. The number of Lifeline customers added each month. Note: Do not include customers receiving Lifeline through the Transitional Lifeline provision. [\(See Attachment 1\)](#)
4. The number of customers removed from Lifeline each month. Note: Do not include Lifeline customers moved to Transitional Lifeline. [\(See Attachment 1\)](#)
5. In accordance with Section 364.105, Florida Statutes, are you offering Transitional Lifeline service? If yes, what is the number of customers participating per month and what are your advertising efforts for Transitional Lifeline service? [\(See Attachment 1\)](#)
6. Description of your company's procedures for Lifeline. Include the following in your response:
 - a. Internal procedures for promoting Lifeline.

[Weekly conference calls sponsored by Windstream's Channel Support team is the medium used to update the consumer channel on any Lifeline regulation changes or promotions, such as the COVID-19 support. These calls are attended by leadership and front-line supervisors and then the information is distributed to the front-line employees.](#)

[Windstream's Call Center Agents and Retail Store Employees promote Lifeline to customers who inform us that they receive a qualifying government program and educate them on the application process. Our employees also direct customers to review the details of the Lifeline program on \[windstream.com/Lifeline\]\(http://windstream.com/Lifeline\).](#)

[Updated Lifeline processes and procedures are posted on WINFO, Windstream's internal process site. Within WINFO is a Lifeline section, which houses the overview of the program, references to \[lifelinesupport.org\]\(http://lifelinesupport.org\), Windstream employee's roles/responsibilities, how to handle application requests, common terms and definitions, regulations and restrictions of the program, and order entry specifics.](#)
 - b. Outreach and educational efforts involving participation in community events. [Not Applicable](#)
 - c. Outreach and educational efforts involving mass media (newspaper, radio, television). [\(See Attachment 2-1\)](#)
 - d. Copies of Lifeline outreach materials of your company. [\(See Attachment 2-2\)](#)

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July 12, 2022

- e. Any links on your company Web site that provides Lifeline information. <https://www.windstream.com/about/windstream-information/lifeline-assistance-program>
 - f. Organizations you are currently partnering with, have partnered with, and organizations you plan to partner with to educate and inform customers about Lifeline. *Not Applicable*
7. Did your company provide Lifeline services using resale Lifeline lines obtained from an underlying carrier? If yes, identify the underlying carrier and the number of resale Lifeline lines obtained each month. *No*
8. To the extent you have experienced a decline in Lifeline customers since last year, please list and describe any issues that may have contributed to the decline. Any additional general comments or information you believe will assist staff in evaluating and reporting Lifeline participation in Florida are welcome.
- The Company had an increase in the number of Lifeline customers from July 2021 to June 2022.*
9. Are you assisting customers with their Lifeline program applications through the National Verifier portal? If yes, please describe any issues you have experienced. If no, please describe your process for directing customers to apply with the National Verifier.
- Only by providing the link to the National Verifier Site or our Windstream site where there are instructions and a link to the National Verifier.*
10. Are the majority of your new Lifeline customers already enrolled in the National Verifier before requesting Lifeline service from your company?
- Yes, they must first have their application ID before they send requests for enrollment.*
11. How has your company used the customer information received from Florida's Coordinated Enrollment Process?
- We only use the data from the Florida website as reference material.*
12. In the last year, has your company filed for any form of bankruptcy? If yes, please identify the chapter and the date filed. *No*
13. In the last year, has your company been involved in any FCC enforcement actions relating to Florida Lifeline customers? If yes, please provide the date and FCC docket number. *No*

Public
Attachment #1

Windstream Florida, CO. 047
Data requested by Florida Staff
Year 2021-07 - 2022-06

Item	2021-07	2021-08	2021-09	2021-10	2021-11	2021-12	2022-01	2022-02	2022-03	2022-04	2022-05	2022-06
1	[REDACTED]											43,608
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ATTACHMENT 2-1

Region	Exchange	ExchangeID	ILEC/CLEC County		Paper	Publication day
SOUTHWEST	BROOKER	FL047BRKR	ILEC	Bradford	Bradford County Telegraph	Thur
SOUTHWEST	MELROSE	FL047MLRS	ILEC	Alachua, Bradford, Clay, and Putnam	Clay Today	Thur
SOUTHWEST	ALACHUA	FL047ALAC	ILEC	Alachua	Gainesville Sun	Thur
SOUTHWEST	FORT WHITE	FL047FTWH	ILEC	Columbia	Lake City Reporter	Tues-Sat
SOUTHWEST	CALLAHAN	FL047CLHN	ILEC	Nassau	Nassau County Record	Wednesday
SOUTHWEST	CITRA	FL047CITR	ILEC	Marion	Ocala Star Banner	Daily
SOUTHWEST	CRESCENT CITY	FL047CRCY	ILEC	Putnam	Palatka Daily News	Tu-Sat
SOUTHWEST	HASTINGS	FL047HSNG	ILEC	St. Johns	St. Augustine Record	Daily
SOUTHWEST	LAKE BUTLER	FL047LKBT	ILEC	Union	Union County Times	Thur
SOUTHWEST	WALDO	FL047WALD	ILEC	Alachua	Alachua County Today	
SOUTHWEST	JENNINGS	FL047JNGS	ILEC	Hamilton	Jennings Daily News	Sun, Wed, Fri
SOUTHWEST	MCINTOSH	FL047MCIN	ILEC	Marion	covered by Ocala Star Banner	
SOUTHWEST	ORANGE SPRINGS	FL047ORSP	ILEC	Marion	covered by Ocala Star Banner	
SOUTHWEST	HILLIARD	FL047HLRD	ILEC	Nassau	Darien News	Thur
SOUTHWEST	FLORAHOME	FL047FLRH	ILEC	Putnam	covered by Palatka Daily News	
SOUTHWEST	INTERLACHEN	FL047INTR	ILEC	Putnam	covered by Palatka Daily News	
SOUTHWEST	BOYS RANCH	FL047BORA	ILEC	Suwannee	The Chronicle	
SOUTHWEST	RAIFORD	FL047RAFR	ILEC	Union	covered by Union County Times	

ALACHUA COUNTY TODAY


Published Weekly
Alachua, Alachua County, FLORIDA

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF ALACHUA:

Before the undersigned authority personally appeared H. Bryan Boukari, who on oath and in my physical presence says that he is the Publisher of *Alachua County Today*, a weekly newspaper published at Alachua in Alachua County, Florida; that the attached copy of advertisement, being a Public Notice in the Matter set forth at the beginning of the attached notice, was published in said newspaper in the issue(s) dated December 30, 2021.

Affiant further says that *Alachua County Today* is a newspaper published at Alachua, in said Alachua County, Florida, and that the said newspaper has heretofore been continuously published in said Alachua County, Florida, each week and has been entered as periodicals matter at the post office in Alachua, in said Alachua County, Florida, for a period of one year next preceding the first publication of the attached copy of advertisement; and affiant further says that he (she) has neither paid nor promised any person, firm or corporation any discount, rebate, commission or refund for the purpose of securing this advertisement for publication in the said newspaper.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 30th day of December 2021 by H. Bryan Boukari, who is personally known to me.



(Signature of Affiant)



(Signature of Notary Public)



RAYMOND L. WISE
Commission # HH 112741
Expires April 1, 2025
Bonded thru Budget Notary Services

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ALACHUA COUNTY TODAY, 12-30-2021

New BHS band director aims to create lifelong memories

BY CLIFF SMELLEY
Telegraph Staff Writer

David Ramos fondly remembers an opportunity given him by a band director.

Now, Ramos hopes he can create lifelong memories for others as the new band director at Bradford High School.

First, though, it's still a time of adjusting to the Florida State University graduate's first-ever job leading a school's band program.

"I've been here since July now. Our first week was technically band camp," Ramos said. "Since then, it has definitely been exciting, but not without its challenges, obviously, as a new director and just someone who's

entirely new to the field." A number of things led to Ramos' pursuit of music. He began playing piano at the age of 6 and joined band as a middle-school student at Miami's K-12 Florida Christian School.

One incident, though, stands out in his mind. Ramos, while in middle school, was watching high school students rehearsing for a presentation of "The Wizard of Oz" musical.

"I so wanted to play in that pit band," he said. "It looked like they were having a heck of a time."

During one rehearsal, the band director noticed Ramos observing from the back of the building. She asked him where his saxophone was and then told



David Ramos
Photo by Cliff Smelley

him to go get it and join the high-school band members. The director, after the

rehearsal, asked Ramos if he wanted a spot in the band for the performance. His answer was, "Absolutely."

"It's moments like that I strive to give to my students," Ramos said.

Bradford students are already receiving special opportunities. For example, some Bradford Middle School students are in the BHS marching band.

"I didn't even have a marching band in high school, so I think it's phenomenal that they get these experiences and get them as early as possible," Ramos said.

Ramos actually has already been a part of creating special experiences for youth, going back to his time as an FSU

student. He earned a certificate in one of the school's specialized-studies program — Special Music Education. That had him using music to reach youth with various disabilities. He spent some time working with a performance ensemble at Leon High School before COVID-19 shut things down.

It was an experience Ramos believe will benefit him moving forward in his career. The question he asked himself in regard to working with students with disabilities really applies to all students: "How can we be as musical as possible, have fun and give these students an experience they'll take home with them and enjoy for the rest of their lives?"

Creating a culture and making music

When asked about his goals for the BHS band program, Ramos said one of the main ones is establishing a culture. That culture includes a band program where students feel comfortable and safe and where they learn to be respectful of others.

"We have a sign out there that explains what it means to be a good human," Ramos said. "That was there before I even got here. It's just something I need to remind myself, too. I've got to hold myself accountable. I've got to hold our students

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Town's destiny the center of Orange Park Visioning Committee

By Nick Blank
nick@claytodayonline.com

ORANGE PARK – The Town of Orange Park's visioning project reviewed town policies, its stance toward businesses and its future Tuesday night.

In late 2019, the town's visioning process began with the goal of establishing a cohesive direction and identity by 2040. Surveys and workshops have been conducted in the past two years, though officials acknowledged the work is far from over.

Town Manager Sarah Campbell said the town has logistical puzzles it won't solve immediately, like making the town more walkable. One idea was making a zoning overlay in an area if the development comes to a neighborhood. Early in the meeting, a residential and shopping complex was discussed, a "town square" type of development.

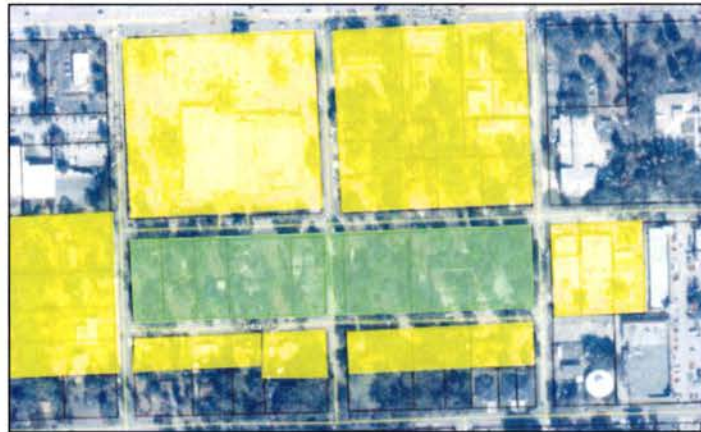
"It's putting the zoning tools in place, so that if someone wants to come in and create this, they have that tool," Campbell said.

Mayor Randy Anderson said the town can't make it hard for businesses to set up shop.

"To bring business to our town, we need to be a more friendly town," he said.

Committee member Frank Ricketts said attracting businesses isn't like the saying from the film "Field of Dreams," where "If you build it, they will come." He said the market would dictate a lot of what happens to the town, but officials can be proactive.

"The reality of it is, we have to have processes and procedures in place that protect the needs of everybody, and at the same time, be reasonable with our expectations of how we go about doing that," Ricketts



This map was presented as an example of a zoning change that could encourage focused growth within the town of Orange Park, town officials said. No items were voted on Tuesday night.



A mix of Orange Park Town council members and members of various committees discussed the 2040 vision of the town Tuesday night.

said. Committee member Melba Gordon said a coherent vision for the town required winning the hearts and minds of residents. She and others worried the town could be bypassed by the county's rapid growth.

"We have the perpetual need to talk this out with the public, talk this out with residents and people who were not involved at the time in the original vision and help them appreciate what we are trying to achieve," Gordon said. Part of the meeting dealt with quashing rumors or conceptual plans such as a U.S. 17 expansion or an overpass near the town.

"FDOT can't buy enough right-of-way to make it work. They are not talking about expanding U.S. 17," Campbell said.

The town can decide its own fate, committee member John Jordan said. He said he remembered when U.S. 17 expanded from two lanes to four lanes.

"If we don't convince people and tell them ... we are going to be left at other people's mercy," Jordan said.

Vice-Mayor Eddie Henley asked what the town was doing to attract families and said the town was the best-kept secret in the area. He felt if the town didn't act, another entity would act for it.

"What do we have in place that's tangible, that extends beyond our town limits, that recognizes and sends out information as to who we are, where we are and what we're about?" Henley asked.

Councilmember John Hauber said the town needed to accommodate growth in its own way via the visioning plan. He wanted the town to be a place where children came back to.

"I think we need to consistently work on it," Hauber said.

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For updates, visit www.orangeparkmall.com

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Letters to the Editor

Tolomato Places in Peril tabby ruins are on private property, no trespassing

Editor:
Thanks for the article about the tabby ruins being on the next Georgia Trust's *Places in Peril* list. Looking at the other nine selected sites, one can see what a prestigious award this is.

And, yes, Crum Creek, formerly known as Carnochan Creek, has been greedily claiming the working buildings of William Carnochan's operation.

Mr. Carnochan was born in Gatehouse, Kirkcudbrightshire, Scotland. From at least 1801 through 1808, he was the overseer on the Halifax Estate in the Parish of St. Ann, County of Middlesex, Jamaica, whose main product was sugar cane, rum, and livestock.

It should be noted that all of these tabby ruins are on private property and no trespassing is in effect. This is a good thing as the ruins are very fragile and the less human contact they endure, the better.

Phil Sikora
Tolomato

Road trip to Sunny Side Oyster Bar

By Bill Hodges

Who wouldn't drive six hours for some very good oysters? That is a good question when we have great oysters on the Georgia coast. However, there is only one Sunny Side Oyster Bar in America!

Sunny Side in Williamston, North Carolina, is an old-style oyster bar, only serving steamed oysters, scallops and shrimp, and nothing else. No "laters, hush puppies, salads or anything else. The entire menu is oysters, scallops, shrimp, soda crackers, cocktail sauce, melted butter and cold beer or iced tea.

With a limited menu, what is the draw?

The draw is Griff, our personal guide for an evening of great food and a greater show. Griff took our order; then returned in exactly seven minutes with a peck bucket of perfectly steamed oysters for Ginger and me. For the unknowing among us, a peck is a quarter bushel.

Griff dumped these steamed oysters in the tray in front of our counter, set empty bowls in front of us, then began opening the oysters and placing them in our individual bowls. Of course these bowls were joined with a pack of soda crackers, horseradish sauce, hot sauce, a bowl of special cocktail sauce and a bowl of melted butter. He kept the oysters coming until we stopped for a break.

When we took the break, Ginger asked Griff to make her a Red Rooster. He smiled, then put his 53 years of experience at Sunny Side behind the counter to work. He took a small porcelain bowl, placed a soda cracker

55th Chapter Anniversary Celebration Emerald Excellence: Esteemed Past, Exceptional Present, and Exciting Future

The Brunswick (GA) Chapter of The Links, Incorporated will celebrate its 55th Chapter Anniversary on December 11, at 7 p.m. by virtual platform.

The organization was chartered on December 10, 1966, on Jekyll Island at the Carriage Inn. The local chapter was sponsored by the Savannah Chapter of The Links, Incorporated. There were 12 original members made up of professional women of the community. The organization is built on the tenets of friendship and service and has been serving Glynn, Camden, and McIntosh counties since 1966.

There are currently 31 members dedicated and committed to implement and sustain our programs, enriching our core values within the communities that we serve for the past 55 years. We extend that service through our five facets which are Services to Youth, The Arts, National Trends and Services, International Trends and Services, and Health and Human Services. We will highlight and showcase our 55 years of dedication and service to these communities.

Please join us on the virtual platform at <https://brunswicklinks.org/55th-anniversary>.



McIntosh grandparents need your help, too—

Your generous gift to the ESF will help struggling families this Christmas

Each year, a growing number of the applicants for assistance from the McIntosh County Empty Stocking Fund are in non-traditional families—many consisting of a grandparent, on his/her own, raising grandchildren. In most cases, the parents of the children are unable to care for their children and are living elsewhere, many addicted to drugs and/or alcohol, or in prison.

The grandparent, usually on a small fixed income, has stepped in to ensure that their beloved family stays together. However, a

small monthly social security check and a small food stamp allotment can only stretch so far each month, especially as Christmas, winter and the accompanying rise in heating bills approaches.

A number of these "grandparents raising grandchildren" have applied for assistance this year from the Empty Stocking Fund.

Can you help these families this Christmas through your donation to the Empty Stocking Fund?

Your donation to the ESF is desperately needed right now. All donations

to the ESF stay right here in McIntosh County with every penny going to help a child at Christmas. Each family's request is thoroughly reviewed by an ESF team of informed and caring volunteers.

Giving is easy. Donations can be dropped off at Southeastern Bank in Darien and will also be accepted at the bank's drive-through window. Simply put your check or cash donation in **any** envelope, mark it "Empty Stocking Fund." Checks should be made out to "The Empty Stocking Fund."

Monetary donations may also be sent by mail to: The Empty Stocking Fund, Southeastern Bank, P.O. Box 455, Darien, GA, 31305.

Civic organizations and churches wishing to "adopt" a child or family for Christmas may still do so, but are requested to contact ESF Director Sandy McDonald at 269-3760. Time is of the essence as the ESF distribution date of Dec. 17 fast approaches. During this season of giving, remember the Empty Stocking Fund!



Griff shucks oysters for Ginger Hodges at Sunny Side Oyster Bar in Williamston, N.C.

our great country. I wanted to enjoy this tradition with Ginger; therefore, we made the trip. I believe she thought I was crazy, but after sharing a great evening in North Carolina, she understood my craziness. Her description was "that it was sooo good!"

The Sunny Side Oyster Bar is one of a kind. I had last been there in 1993 with a couple of work buddies. As best I can tell, nothing has changed in

nearly 30 years. In fact, Griff had been my server 31 years ago at this great establishment.

To answer my initial question, anyone would drive six hours for this great evening if they love oysters and love tradition. I hope I can do the trip again.

Bill Hodges a freelance writer lives on Sapelo Island, Georgia. Wjhodges1956@gmail.com

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YEAR ENDED: JUNE 30, 2021

PROJECT / PRODUCT	ORIGINAL ESTIMATED COST (\$)	CURRENT ESTIMATED COSTS (\$)	AMOUNT EXPENDED IN CURRENT YEAR (\$)	AMOUNT EXPENDED IN PRIOR YEARS (\$)	TOTAL COMPLETION COST	EXCESS PROGRESSIVE EXPENSES	ESTIMATED COMPLETION DATE (S)
1.) renovating and improving existing facilities of the School District	800,000.00	800,000.00	7,000.00				6/30/2022
2.) acquisition, construction, equipping and furnishing new school buildings and facilities	950,000.00	800,000.00					9/30/2025
3.) acquisition and installation of technology and safety equipment including existing software licenses	101,000.00	100,000.00	10,000.00				9/30/2025
4.) acquisition of school equipment and furnishings	81,000.00	80,000.00					6/30/2024
5.) acquisition and purchase of buses and other maintenance and transportation vehicles	350,000.00	340,000.00	80,000.00				6/30/2025
6.) acquisition of textbooks and school materials	50,000.00	50,000.00					6/30/2025
7.) acquisition of land improvements, including landscaping, irrigation, fencing, and paving	100,000.00	100,000.00	9,700.00				6/30/2023
8.) acquisition of land	100,000.00	100,000.00					6/30/2025
9.) payment of existing debt and capital lease obligations	6,200,000.00	6,200,000.00	1,200,000.00		18,744.00		6/30/2025
10.) the acquisition of any property, necessary and reasonable with the end purpose:	100,000.00	100,000.00					6/30/2025
	6,300,000.00	6,400,000.00	1,209,700.00		18,744.00	0.00	
11.) The School District's original cost estimate as specified in the resolution adopted for the expiration of the Local Option Sales Tax							
12.) The School District's current estimate of total cost for the project, includes all cost from project inception to completion							
13.) The amount of McIntosh County approved the imposition of a 1% sales tax to fund the above project and other authorized uses. Amounts expended for these projects may include sales tax proceeds, state, local property taxes and other funds over the life of the project.							
14.) In addition to the expenditures shown above, the School District has incurred interest to provide advance funding for the above projects as follows:							
	Prior Years	\$ 1,045,258.97					
	Current Year	\$ 1,188,632.36					
	Total	\$ 2,233,891.33					

Landry sues governor over vaccine requirement for schools

BATON ROUGE (AP) — Attorney General Jeff Landry and a Republican state lawmaker filed a lawsuit Wednesday seeking to block Gov. John Bel Edwards' plans to add the COVID-19 vaccine to Louisiana's immunization schedule for schools and colleges.

The lawsuit from the GOP attorney general and Bossier City Rep. Raymond Crews came a day after the Democratic governor notified House lawmakers that he's going against their wishes to enact the rule mandating some students get the vaccination for the 2022-23 school year or file paperwork to opt out of the immunization requirement.

Landry argues that Edwards' action violates constitutional provisions that give lawmakers the power to enact laws rather than the governor. The

attorney general suggests the rulingmaking process outlined in state law that allows a governor to override a legislative rejection of a regulatory proposal is unconstitutional.

"The Louisiana Constitution grants the governor the power only to enforce the law, not to make it," the lawsuit says.

Edwards sent a letter Tuesday to the House Health and Welfare Committee, notifying them that he will overrule their 13-2 bipartisan vote against the plan and enact it against their wishes. Crews is a member of that House committee and voted not to add the COVID-19 vaccine to the immunization schedule.

The governor's office defended its actions as following the law.

"We've not reviewed the attorney general's bill filing, but the Louisiana

Department of Health is well within its legal authority on adding the COVID-19 vaccine to the immunization schedule, where it will be treated like all other vaccines and parents may choose to opt their children out of it," Edwards spokesperson Christina Stephens said in a statement.

Edwards and his public health advisers have repeatedly argued that the vaccine is safe and effective and getting more children vaccinated would help save lives.

In his letter to the committee, the governor said 19 children have died from COVID-19 in Louisiana since March 2020, and he said no one in the state has died from receiving the vaccine. And he stressed that Louisiana's law provides broad exemptions to the immunization schedule.

Already, many of Louisiana's colleges have begun requiring the vaccine

— or an exemption request. Under Edwards' plan, the addition of the COVID-19 vaccine to the state immunization schedule will only apply to age groups for whom the U.S. Food and Drug Administration has given full approval for the shots. Currently, that's students 16 and older.

But that would broaden to cover younger children if the FDA grants full backing to the vaccine for more age groups.

Across a daylong committee hearing last week, some lawmakers and members of the public repeated misinformation about the risks of the coronavirus illness and the vaccine. Other lawmakers called the governor's plan governmental overreach that meddles in family decision-making. They said they had been inundated with complaints about adding the COVID-19 vaccine to the immuniza-

tion schedule for schools, including in several lawsuits. Landry also has successfully challenged some term-limited, has repeatedly clashed with Edwards

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OBITUARY

Published in the Jennings Daily News December 17, 2021

Paul De La Croix



Funeral services for Mr. Paul De La Croix, Jr., 96, of Jennings will be held at 9:30 a.m. Friday, Dec. 17, 2021, at Our Lady Help of Christians, with Rev. Keith Pelletier officiating.

Visitation will be held today, Thursday, Dec. 16, 2021, from 3:30 to 8 p.m., with a rosary recited at 6 p.m. Visitation will resume Friday from 8 a.m. until the time of service.

Burial will follow in Southwest Louisiana Veterans Cemetery under the direction of Miguez Funeral Home.

Mr. De La Croix passed away Dec. 14, 2021, in Southwest Louisiana Veterans Home.

Mr. De La Croix was born in Hammond on Nov. 2, 1925, to Paul De La Croix, Sr., and Lydia Beebe De La Croix.

He graduated from Menard Memorial High School in Alexandria in 1943. Mr. De La Croix then enlisted in the Navy and served in the South Pacific during WWII. He attended Louisiana Tech as a pitcher on the first ever baseball scholarship offered by the college.

"Coach Paul's" career in education spanned 40 years as teacher and coach in Oakdale; teacher, coach and principal at Jennings High School; and concluded as secondary supervisor of Jeff Davis Parish.

One of his proudest accomplishments was organizing and serving as president for several years of the Jeff Davis Pachtymed Club.

Those left to cherish his memory are his beloved wife, Norma Nell Walker.

De La Croix, daughters, Cherie (Emery) Dupuis of New Orleans, Denise (Larry) Daigle of Florida, Suzanne (Keith) Bourque of Shreveport and Deirdre Macklen of South Carolina; son, Charlie (Jane) De La Croix of Greeley, Colo.; 12 grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one sister, Lorita April; and his son in law, Jim Macklen.

The family expresses deep appreciation for the loving care of our dad provided by the staff of Southwest Louisiana Veterans Home and IAMM Hospice.

Words of comfort may be expressed to the family at www.miguezfuneralhome.com.

Corps cancels Mississippi flood project that EPA rejected

(AP) — The Army Corps of Engineers has canceled a \$450 million Mississippi flood control project following the Environmental Protection Agency's recent decision to overturn the project that had been greenlit in the final days of the Trump administration.

"The Corps remains deeply concerned about how flooding impacts the residents and the economy of the lower Mississippi Delta, including environmental justice issues affecting the population," the agency said in a document filed Wednesday with the federal court in Washington.

Environmental groups which had sued the Corps over the Yazoo Pumps project dropped the lawsuit after the Corps said it was ending its plans, court records showed. U.S.

District Judge Dabney L. Friedrich in Washington signed an order dismissing the suit.

The Corps' decision shows "the power of science, the law, and the public's voice in holding agencies accountable," American Rivers, the National Audubon Society, the Sierra Club, Healthy Gulf, and Earthjustice said in a news release.

The plan would have drained floodwaters, mainly from low-lying farmland, with a 14,000 cubic feet-per-second (400 cubic meter per second) pumping plant.

Farmers and environmentalists have fought for decades over flood control projects for the flatlands between the Mississippi and Yazoo rivers. The area has flooded in nine of the past 10 years.

The Corps statement said it "will work expeditiously to determine how to address these flooding impacts along with our federal, state, and local partners."

U.S. Sen. Roger Wicker said in November that the Yazoo Pumps cancellation amounted to environmental injustice because it would protect mainly Black people.

EPA officials said that the Trump administration's decision violated the Clean Water Act and ignored scientific and technical recommendations.

The environmental groups said the Corps refused to consider alternatives while acknowledging that "only 17% of the backwater would receive any flood relief," leaving most communities unprotected.

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occurs." This year, because of the persistent issue of jail overcrowding, deputies were running low on options as to where to house the increasing number of inmates.

There was a round of COVID-19 infection at the jail in the summer of 2021 where eight jailers came down with the virus. During that time, the remaining uninfected staff had to work fourteen days without a day off.

"We had to adapt to the virus," said Woods. "It's all about morale here at the sheriff's office. We take care of our employees because the employees take care of the sheriff's department." Though some employees of the jail were exposed,

Woods is proud of the fact that in 2021 the Regional Consolidated Jail facility was the only correctional facility in the state reporting no inmates infected with COVID-19.

"We've really skated by this year," Woods said. "There were no hurricanes. We did have the ice storm at the beginning of the year, which was a problem because we had to keep personnel here or at the jail when they were unable to travel between work and home in the extreme conditions of the ice storm."

Another success for JDSO this year was the success of their annual charity golf tournament, Sheriff Woods Three Man Scramble, which raised close to

\$12,000 to benefit Citizens Against Domestic Violence (CADA). Along with other charity efforts like Shop With A Cop, Woods said. The sheriff's department is always working in the JDP community.

Woods also prides himself on the JDSO's efforts to improve morale of its staff.

"I hope we've done that because it all reflects back

onto the administration," said Woods. "Of course like anywhere else, employees tend to move around sometimes, but we're proud to have a happy, long term staff."

In 2022, Woods said he would be glad to see an end to pandemic restrictions and looks forward to receiving a new fleet of cars for his deputies.

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EVENTS from page 1

Prizes will be awarded for those who participate in the judging.

"Judges will be positioned in front of the W.H. Tupper Museum," said Fake.

Those participating must display a number for judging on the front passenger side of the entry. For the marching bands, organizers ask that someone on the right, front side of the group display the entry number.

Winners will be announced after the parade at Founder's Park and on Jennings Festival Association's Facebook page. Awards will be mailed to the winners the following week.

The festival opens at 5 p.m. at Founder's Park and there is no cost to enter.

Attendees are invited to view the Jennings Hall of Trees at the W.H. Tupper Museum and enjoy hot chocolate with Santa in the park from 5:30 - 8:30 p.m. Admission is \$1.

Following the parade, there will be a hayride beginning at Founder's Park and a fireworks show starting at 8:30 p.m. at the Jennings airport.

Fake encouraged the community to come out and participate in the Christmas event.

"The community comes together to spread Christmas joy," he said. "It's a good way to celebrate the holidays with loved ones and support everyone who worked hard to make this event happen."

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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Today

Christmas on the Square

The Suwannee County Chamber of Commerce's 37th annual Christmas on the Square festival is scheduled for Thursday, Dec. 2, through Saturday, Dec. 4. The festival begins Dec. 2 with the lighting of the Christmas tree in Millennium Park followed by the Jingle Bell Fun Run and Kids 1-mile fun run at 5 p.m. and movies in the park. Vendor booths open at 4 p.m. on Dec. 3, which also will feature Snow on the Square, a visit from Coca-Cola's Santa Claus and a fireworks display. The festival then resumes Saturday at 8 a.m. and is capped by the annual lighted Christmas parade at 6 p.m.

FGC Holiday Concert

The Florida Gateway College Performing Arts is hosting a Holiday Concert this week. The concert will feature the Matt Johns Band with two performances, 7 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 2, and 7 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 4, at Levy Auditorium. Tickets are \$7, but free with an FGC ID. Tickets are available online at fgc.thunderlink.com.

King's Brass Concert

Tim Zimmerman and the King's Brass will present a Christmas concert 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec.

2, at the Norman Choice Performing Arts Center on the campus of Columbia High School. King's Brass is one of the best brass ensembles in the country, featuring classic hymns with a contemporary flair, along with jazz spirituals, Christmas carols, and patriotic marches. Single show tickets are \$20/ adult or \$10/student K-12 at the door. Visit www.communityconcerts.info or call Martha, 386-365-8488, for more information or to buy discounted season tickets.

Friday

Christmas Program

Kick off the Christmas season by joining First United Methodist Church for a special Advent Christmas Program with soloist and pianist Lukas Miller on Friday, Dec. 3, at 7 p.m. The program is free of charge. First United Methodist is located at 973 S. Marion Ave., Lake City. For more information, please call the office at 386-752-4488.

Sunday

Gospel Harmonizers

The Gospel Harmonizers of Lake City will celebrate their 72nd anniversary with a musical service featuring gospel artists Pastor Ronnie Evans and Rebuilt (Valdosta, Ga.), The Brown Brothers (Valdosta), The

Pioneers, God's Spiritual Gifts and The Faith Gospel Singers (Jacksonville). Lake City's Sister Kimberly Brinson is also appearing at the service Sunday at 4 p.m. at Angel Community Outreach Church, 443 N. Marion Ave. Everyone is welcome to attend, covid-19 protocols will be followed. A love offering will be received during the service. For more information, contact Pastor Minnie Gomes at 386-758-1886.

Wednesday

Crafting with Beads

Hearthstone Gardens, located at 3300 134th Place in Wellborn, will host its Crafting With Beads Workshop on Wednesday, Dec. 8, starting at 10 a.m. Betty Baker will lead the workshop on how to use beads to create ornamental decor. Materials will be provided for a \$10 fee. Sign up online at hearthstonegardens.org/workshop-calendar or call 386-438-3102.

Weekly

Suwannee Lights

Suwannee Lights returns to the Spirit of the Suwannee Music Park in Live Oak, beginning Saturday, Nov. 20, and running through Jan. 2, 2022. More than 10 million lights are on display nightly at the park from 6-10 p.m. In

addition to the light displays, which include both drive-through displays and walk-through areas, is the Craft Village where visitors can enjoy campfires, hot chocolate, s'mores, Christmas candy and caroling. Santa Claus will also make visits on Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays. Snow Night will be presented by Busy Bee on Dec. 30. For more information or to purchase tickets, visit www.suwanneelights.com.

Growers Market

The City of Lake City will have its Growers and Makers Market in downtown Olustee Park on the 2nd and 4th Saturday of every month from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Vendors scheduled to attend will be selling local honey, sweet treats, coffee truck, arts and crafts, fresh produce, vegetables and farm fresh eggs. For more information or to be a vendor at a future market, please contact the city's Community Program Manager Terri Phillips at 386-758-5427 or cityevents@lcfcla.com.

Community Walk

The NorthStar Family Resource Center, 255 NE Coach Anders Lane in the Ferguson Building, hosts a daily community walk on Mondays through Fridays, starting at 9 a.m. in an effort to reduce coronary

artery disease, heart failure, hypertension and elevated cholesterol. The walk is 1.5-2 miles. For more information, call 386-758-3319.

Youth Ministry

Lantern Park Baptist Church is beginning a youth ministry on Wednesday nights at 6:30 p.m. for ages 12-17. There will be a service in the gym followed by snacks and games. For any question, please contact Hunter Wortman at rootedyouth-LPBC@gmail.com.

Historical Museum

The Lake City Columbia County Historical Museum is open every week on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Please stop by 157 SE Hernando Ave. in Lake City and visit. Admission is free.

Friday Night Dances

The Friday Night Dances are back at the multipurpose building at Wesley Memorial United Methodist Church, 1272 SW McFarlane Ave. in Lake City. All are welcome to attend as the DJ plays the favorites from line dancing to waltzing to rock 'n' roll. Singles and couples are welcome. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. and dancing lasts from 7:30-9:30 p.m. Sodas and snacks are provided. Admission is \$7 per

person. For more information, please call Shirley at 386-365-9643.

Take Stock in Children

Take Stock in Children is a statewide, non-profit organization that provides a unique opportunity for deserving, low-income youth to escape the cycle of poverty through education. Underserved students are offered one-on-one support through caring volunteer mentors, professional college success services, the opportunity to earn a college scholarship, and hope for success in college, career, and life. Take Stock in Children is always accepting volunteers that want to make a difference in a student's life. To learn more information and fill out a mentor interest form, please visit www.takestockinchildren.org or contact Peggy Boston at 386-754-4423.

Save the date

Christmas Bazaar

Living Springs Family Worship Center is hosting a Christmas Bazaar on Saturday, Dec. 11, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Living Springs, which is located on State Road 247, one mile north of Branford, invites the community to come celebrate the holiday spirit with an "ole fashioned" fun holiday shopping experience.

OBITUARIES

Kathryn Marie Runyon

Kathryn Marie Runyon, 65 of Frederick, Maryland and former longtime resident of Lake City, passed away on Wednesday, November 24, 2021. She was born in Kansas City, Missouri and had made her home in Frederick, Maryland since 2018 and had previously been a resident of Lake City since 1976. Ms. Runyon was of the Nazarene faith and attended the Lake City Church of the Nazarene for many years. She provided care in her home for children and was also a longtime volunteer at Eastside Elementary School in Lake City. Ms. Runyon was preceded in death by her mother, Martha Haisine Ameson Runyon.



Survivors include her parents, Donald L. Runyon (Jeanette), Lake City; two brothers, Daniel L. Runyon, Lake City and Steven B. Runyon (Roberta), Frederick, MD; two nieces, Shauna Peters (Jeff), Moore, OK and Jamie Rempie (David), Ft. Belvoir, VA; one nephew, Andrew Runyon, Frederick, MD. Graveside funeral services will be conducted on Monday, December 6, 2021 at 2:00 pm at Forest Lawn Memorial Gardens Cemetery. Interment will follow. Visitation with the family will be prior to the service on Monday from 1:00 PM to 1:30 PM at Gateway-Forest Lawn Funeral Home. Arrangements are under the direction of GATEWAY-FOREST LAWN FUNERAL HOME, 3596 S US Hwy 441, Lake City, FL 32025. Please leave words of comfort for the family at www.gateway-funeral.com.

Earley Young, Jr.

Earley Young, Jr., aka "Dillon" was born March 20, 1944 in Starke, Florida to Earley Young, Sr. and Pauline Elizabeth Mack. His father preceded him in death. He transitioned from this life on November 22, 2021. Early graduated from R.J. E. high school with the class of 1967. He played with the Donnie Jackson traveling Recreational Team. After graduation, he served in the Army National Guard for 12 years. After he completed his stint with the Army National Guard, Early began his career with the Department of Corrections. While employed at Florida State Prison he was honored



to be the first African American to obtain the rank of Sergeant. A very noble-worthy and history-making event. Early's career in correction allowed him to advance to the rank of Major at the Reception and Medical Center main unit, Lake Butler, FL, from where he retired after 28 years of service. During a visit to Miami, he met the love of his life, Zander Young, and was joined in holy matrimony. They were married for 47 years. Early was a family man and was loved by many. "Dillon" enjoyed cooking, hunting, fishing, gardening, and livestock and loved traveling, especially to the beach, more importantly, he had the time of his life hosting gatherings for his friends and loved ones, and he was a "Die-hard" Gator fan. Other precedents in death: stepfather, John Grant, and his sister, Mannie Mack. Cherished memories are left with his devoted wife, Zander Young, mother, Pauline Mack.

children, Cheri Jenkins (Alvin), Ferrance Thomas, Sr., James Young, Kimberly Young, Earlica Young, and Stacy Young (Curtis). 22 grandchildren, 12 great-grandchildren; siblings, Robert Wade, Lucile Early, Henry Wade, Shirley Beahman, and Alton Moore; three godchildren; hosts of nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends.

Funeral services for Mr. Earley Young, Jr. will be 12:00 noon, Saturday, December 4, 2021, at Governor Charles E. Johns Ave. Starke, FL. Arrangements entrusted to COMBS FUNERAL HOME, 292 NE Washington St., Lake City, FL, (386) 752-4366. Maq Combs Turner, L.F.D. "The Caring Professionals"

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Plenty of time for patience

"I waited patiently for the Lord; He inclined to me and heard my cry." (Psalm 10:1).



RICHARD DOSTER

God... and wait. It made sense to him because, as we see in the next few verses, David had studied God's Word and works (verses 3, 7-8).

To a person, we can attest to the fact it's hard to be patient -- and to the reality that in a broken world we're all waiting.

When we think about what patience means, I suspect most of us run through a mental checklist of what it's not.

That's not a bad way to keep patience and impatience in perspective, but there is more to it than that.

Throughout Scripture, we see that God has, does, and forever will control every person and circumstance on the planet.

Whether we're waiting for lab results or stuck in line at Walmart, we're waiting for the all-powerful God who knows and loves us.

Therefore, we can wait with hope, and our hearts can take courage.

Establish good name now

"A good name is more to be desired than great riches..." (Proverbs 22:1).



KEN BARNEY

All of us probably have a variety of things and major reasons is that early in his ministry he made a vow to never be alone with a woman of any age.

It's common for talk show hosts and entertainers to make critical remarks about certain famous preachers.

Greatest gift worth celebrating

I love this time of year, with all the decorations, music, and the smell of cookies baking.



PHYLLIS HOLMES

Think about the Christmas song, "Mary, Did You Know?" Did she know that her son would suffer and die a crucifixion death on the cross?

Just as Jesus is given a purpose for His life, so are we. Before you were born, God had a purpose and plan for your life.

God knows you and has a plan for your life. How does that make you feel? How do you know His purpose and plan for your life?

do you want me to do? Life is lived one day at a time, so ask God each day for guidance and direction and you will be on your way.

This Christmas, as you decorate your tree, wrap presents or prepare for parties, take time to reflect on the real reason we celebrate -- the greatest gift!

Food Resources

CALLAHAN Bernabas Center hosts a food distribution Dec. 20 from 12:30 to 2 p.m. at the Northeast Florida Fairgrounds.

CALLAHAN Callahan First Baptist Church, 45090 Green Ave., 879-2172, hosts drive-thru giveaways through The Storehouse, which are held the first Thursday of each month from 10 a.m. to noon and third Thursday of each month from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.

YULEE Good News Partnership at New Life Baptist Church, 461069 S.R. 200 A1A, hosts a drive-thru food distribution the third Saturday of each month, beginning at 10 a.m. Those without transportation can email goodnewspartnership@gmail.com or call 904-491-0363.

Yulee United Methodist Church, 86003 Christian Way, 904-225-5381, food pantry open to public Wednesdays, 10 a.m. to noon. Open to Nassau residents with identification.

Yulee Baptist Church, 85971 Harts Rd., 904-225-5128, opens its food pantry Mondays, 1-4 p.m.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS

CROSSWORD puzzle grid with clues for Across and Down.

- ACROSS 1. Pilgrim's destination 4. Make a scene 9. Rubik's puzzle 13. Hawaiian aviators 14. Toothy fish 15. Goose-necked dwelling 16. White Swan in "Swan Lake" ballerina 17. ...Wan Kenobi 18. Decorate with wreaths and holly, e.g. 19. "Either dessert or source of heat (2 words)" 21. ... Day, or second day of Christmas 23. Land parcel 24. Streets of denim fame 25. Broadband access overseas, acronym 28. Clarified butter 30. Acute one and obtuse one 35. Southeastern Asian country 37. Jester's breakfast 38. Shrewdness 40. Gaspen basin river 41. "Pasadena's Tournament of Roses" 43. Tel. ... Israel 44. Native American emblem 46. "Why not?" 47. Hitchhiker's quest 48. Omits when speaking 50. Hard to find 52. Bear's winter quarters 53. Houdini 55. Sleeper's partner 57. "Number of days in Christmaside" 60. "Ugly" holiday party? 64. Prepare a letter 65. "Bangs" 67. Hunger for 68. Porsche-bian race 69. "Cranberry sauce sometimes holly, e.g. 70. Same as ten 71. Raise the roof 72. German river 73. Still sound DOWN 1. Whiny and miserable 2. Sheel 3. Finish a ceiling, to a plasterer 4. Marlboro alternative 5. Not digital 6. Rugged 7. Not Uber 8. Social group 9. Ghana monetary unit 10. Second and all many holidays 11. Cause of Titanic's demise 12. Poetic "even" 15. Burlesome 20. Not this or that

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COVID

County's population aged 5 and older, 60% have received the Pfizer, Moderna or Johnson & Johnson vaccine.

The number of people receiving vaccines each week has increased for the past three weeks.

With the recent authorization for children, the state's vaccination rate is now 69%.

CDC data also show 13 new hospitalizations for the seven days ending Sunday, a decrease of 45.8% from the previous week.

The percentage of beds used for COVID-19 patients was 2.7%, unchanged from last week. The percentage of intensive care unit beds used was 6.8%, a slight increase from the previous week.

Statewide trends

The FDOH report showed many counties surrounding Marion County also had relatively low COVID-19 case counts:

- Alachua: 129
- Citrus: 126
- Flagler: 53
- Lake: 170
- Levy: 31
- Putnam: 22
- Sumter: 55
- Volusia: 270

The new cases reported across the state for the week totaled 9,663, a decrease from last week's 10,893. The state's positivity rate was 2.4%, down from last week's 2.5%.

CDC data through Monday showed Marion County and 65 other Florida counties have a "low"



Andrew Cielo-Hernandez, a West Port High School sophomore, wears a mask while catching up on classes last July. DOUG ENGLE/OCALA STAR BANNER

level of community transmission. Only one county is in the "moderate" category, and none have "substantial" or "high" transmission.

Virtually all of the cases in the region and

across the country are caused by the delta variant of the coronavirus.

Marion County offers regular, booster shots

The Florida Department

of Health in Marion County offers vaccines for people ages 5 and up.

The vaccine available for ages 5 to 11 is the Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine, which has the same active ingredients as that

given to adults and adolescents but only one-third the dose of the adult vaccine. It is also administered with smaller needles designed for children.

Two doses are recommended three weeks apart, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Vaccinations are available Monday through Friday from 8:30 to 11 a.m. and 1 to 4:30 p.m. at the Florida Department of Health in Marion County, 1801 SE 32nd Ave., Ocala. Appointments can be made at tinyurl.com/MakeMarionFLVaxAppt.

Certain individuals who received Pfizer, Moderna or Johnson & Johnson vaccines are also eligible for booster shots.

The CDC recently authorized booster shots for all adults, not just older Americans and those working or living in high-risk conditions.

Individuals who received the Pfizer or Moderna vaccine are eligible for booster shots six months after the completion of their initial series, while those who received

Johnson & Johnson must wait two months after their initial vaccination.

Per the CDC, individuals can "mix and match" which vaccine they receive as a booster when available.

Many pharmacies, doctor's offices, clinics and health centers also offer vaccines. Other locations can be searched at bit.ly/3GWS8Qm.

Testing still available at First Baptist Church

COVID-19 testing is available at the First Baptist Church of Ocala, 2801 SE Maricamp Road. COVID Test FL is offering the drive-thru testing from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Individuals should bring a valid photo ID, and minors must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian.

Testing is also available at many private labs, physicians' offices, pharmacies and walk-in clinics in the county.

Contact reporter Danielle Johnson at djohnson@gannett.com.

Workplace participation in a government benefit program will be available to eligible employees in the following counties: Alachua, Citrus, Duval, Hamilton, Marion, Putnam, and Volusia. Eligible employees are those who meet the eligibility criteria set by the FDC and state rules. Employees who do not meet the criteria will not be eligible for additional financial benefits if they are eligible for a federal disability program. The program will be available to employees in the following counties: Alachua, Citrus, Duval, Hamilton, Marion, Putnam, and Volusia. The monthly amount is up to \$5,250 per month for an employee who is 65 or older. The monthly amount is up to \$2,750 per month for an employee who is 62 or older.

We decrease a base local service rates for residential water lines from \$28 to \$12 per month depending on your service location. Specific rates will be provided upon request. For a complete list of services and rates, visit www.fdc.com.

For the purposes of the Lifeline program a household is defined as any individual or group of individuals who live together at the same address and share income and expenses. Lifeline service is not transferable, and only one eligible service may be used at the same time. Customers who wish to receive Lifeline services, including Lifeline, must be a resident of the state and be eligible for Lifeline service. For more information, visit www.fdc.com.



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Moore, and the St. Mary Missionary Baptist Church Family. Graveside services are scheduled for 3 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 2, 2021 (today), at Evergreen Cemetery, 541 N. Rodriguez St. in St. Augustine. Services are entrusted into the caring and professional hands of Coleman's Mortuary Family. Family and friends may sign their online condolences at www.colemansmortuary.com.

Maxwell defense attacks actor accuser's account

By TOM HAYS
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Ghislaine Maxwell's defense attorneys sought Wednesday to undermine a key accuser's allegation that the British socialite helped financier Jeffrey Epstein sexually abuse the woman for years, starting when she was 14.

The trial witness, who has said she's using the pseudonym "Jane" to protect her 22-year acting career, had testified in graphic detail on Tuesday about the alleged encounters in the 1990s, portraying Maxwell as an active participant.

During a methodical cross examination, defense attorney Laura Menninger confronted the woman with FBI documents from 2019 and 2020, saying she had told the government her memory was foggy on whether Maxwell was present when Epstein molested her and on whether she ever touched her.

Other documents claimed she said that no abuse occurred during a visit to Epstein's ranch in New Mexico. That contradicted her testimony about alleged encounters with him there that she said made "my heart sink into my stomach."

The witness denied ever changing her story. She challenged the accuracy of the documents, saying her statements were never recorded.

"This was just someone jotting down notes. ... A lot of these are not correct," she said.

At another point, she responded, "I don't recall saying what's written here."

She did not dispute other documents saying she had named several "model types" and other women she said witnessed participating in group massages with Epstein. She also confirmed telling the FBI she once flew on a private jet with Britain's Prince Andrew

Maxwell, 59, has pleaded not guilty to charges that prosecutors say show that she and Epstein were "partners in crime." The defense has countered by claiming she's being made a scapegoat for 66-year-old Epstein, who killed himself in his Manhattan jail cell in 2019 as he awaited his own sex trafficking trial.

On Tuesday, the accuser described numerous sexual encounters with Maxwell and Epstein that began in 1994 and continued through 1997. When

recounting the first time she was abused by Epstein, she said she was "frozen in fear"

Another time, she said she was taken to a massage room where he and Maxwell both took advantage of her. Other encounters involved sex toys or turned into oral sex "orgies" with other young women and Maxwell, she added.

On cross examination, the defense also attacked the witness' credibility by asking why she waited over 20 years to report the alleged abuse by

Maxwell to law enforcement. And Maxwell's attorney asked Jane, an actor, about her television roles — a cancer patient, a car crash victim, someone with mental health issues, a prostitute — suggesting she may have applied her professional craft to her testimony.

The last one "was not my favorite role," Jane said before pushing back on Menninger's characterizations of her work as melodramatic.

"You want to call it 'melodramatic.' I prefer 'dramatic,'" she said.

Trump was COVID-positive before debate, ex-aide says in book

By JILL COLVIN
Associated Press

Donald Trump tested positive for COVID-19 three days before his first presidential debate in September 2020 with Joe Biden and days earlier than that diagnosis was previously disclosed, according to a new book by Trump's former chief of staff.

In "The Chief's Chief," obtained by The Guardian before its Dec. 7 release, Mark Meadows writes that the then-president received a negative test shortly after the positive test and resumed his usual activities, including attending the debate against his Democratic challenger. Trump on Wednesday denied Meadows' claim.

The revelation, if confirmed, would further show that the Trump White House did not take the virus seriously even as it spread among White House and campaign staff and eventually sent Trump to the hospital, where he required supplemental oxygen and experimental treatments.

The former president said that Meadows' story "of me having COVID prior to, or during, the first debate is Fake News. In fact, a test revealed that I did not have COVID prior to the debate." Meadows later retweeted the statement.

The book's publisher, All Seasons Press, did not immediately respond to a request for comment.

The White House began a testing regimen for Trump's senior aides and those who would be in contact with him after earlier positive cases. But aides repeatedly refused to disclose when Trump was tested the week of the debate, leading to speculation that he may have had COVID-19 while on stage with Biden.

Moderator Chris Wallace of Fox News had said previously that he believed Trump may have had COVID-19 at the time of the debate because of the virus' incubation period. It typically takes several days between

the time a person is exposed to the virus to when there is enough viral load to be detected.

Trump was 74 and Biden was 78 at the time, putting them at higher risk of serious complications from the virus. COVID-19 vaccines were not then available.

Trump announced in a tweet early on Oct. 2, 2020, that he and first lady Melania Trump had tested positive for the coronavirus. He was admitted to Walter Reed National Military Medical Center later that day.

But Meadows writes that Trump first tested positive on Sept. 26, three days before the debate and the same day that he held a Rose Garden ceremony for his final Supreme Court nominee, Amy Coney Barrett, according to the paper. Trump traveled that evening to a rally in Pennsylvania.

Meadows, Trump's fourth and final chief of staff, writes that he received a call from the White House doctor as Trump's helicopter was lifting off from the White House for the rally.

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Death of bullied Utah girl draws anger

BRADY MCCORMY
Associated Press

DRAPER, Utah — When her 10-year-old daughter tried spraying air freshener on herself before school one morning, Britany Tichenor-Cox suspected something was wrong with the sweet little girl whose beaming smile had gone dormant after she started the fifth grade. She coaxed out of Isabella "Izzy" Tichenor that a boy in her class told her she stunk after their teacher instructed the class that they needed to shower. It was the latest in a series of bullying episodes that targeted Izzy, who was autistic and the only Black student in class. Other incidents included harassment about her skin color, eyebrows and a beauty mark on her forehead, her mother said.



Britany Tichenor-Cox with her 10-year-old daughter Isabella "Izzy" Tichenor is pictured in May of 2020. The mother of a 10-year-old Utah girl who died by suicide after she says her daughter was harassed for being Black and autistic is speaking out about the school not doing enough to stop the bullying.

Tichenor-Cox informed the teacher, the school and the district about the bullying. She said nothing was done to improve the situation. Then on Nov. 6, at their home near Salt Lake City, Izzy died by suicide.

Her shocking death triggered an outpouring of anger about youth suicides, racism in the classroom and the treatment of children with autism — issues that have been highlighted by the nation's racial reckoning and a renewed emphasis on

student mental health during the COVID-19 pandemic. In Utah, the suicide also intensified questions about the Davis School District, which was recently reprimanded by the Justice Department for failing to address widespread racial discrimination.

The district, where Black and Asian American students account for roughly 1% of the approximately 72,000 students, initially defended its handling of the bullying allegations but later launched

an outside investigation that is ongoing. "When I was crying out for help for somebody to do something, nobody even showed up for her," Tichenor-Cox said this week in an interview with The Associated Press. "It just hurts to know that my baby was bullied all day throughout school — from the time I dropped her off to the time I picked her up."

Being autistic made it difficult for Izzy to find words to express what she was feeling, but her mother sensed her daughter was internalizing the messages from school. She asked her mother to get rid of the beauty mark and shave her eyebrows. Her mother told her those features made her different and beautiful. She told her mother her teacher didn't like her and wouldn't say hi or help with schoolwork.

Izzy's mother, 31, blames the teacher for allowing the bullying to happen. Prior to this year, she said, Izzy and two of her other children liked the school. Tichenor-Cox has also called out deep-rooted racism in the

predominantly white state of Utah, where she said the No-word that kids called her when she was a child in the 1990s is still hurled at her children three decades later.

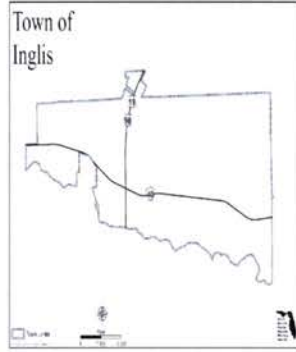
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He did say in a statement Wednesday that an independent investigation "focuses on working" and that findings will be released when finished. The Justice Department investigation uncovered hundreds of documented acts of the No-word and other racial epithets over the last five years in the district. The probe also found physical assaults, derogatory racial comments and harsh discipline for students of color.

NOTICE OF LAND USE CHANGE

The Town Commission of the Town of Inglis, Florida, proposes to update the use of land within the area addressed on the map below by amending the text of the Town of Inglis Comprehensive Plan Amendment submitted to the Comprehensive Plan Commission.

(7A.12.1) An application by the Town Commission to amend the text of the Comprehensive Plan by adding a Property Rights District to the Comprehensive Plan per Section 161.10(1)(b), Florida Statutes, as amended, and Section 177.10(1)(b), Florida Statutes, as amended, and combining the requested changes.



The first of two public hearings on the proposed amendments will be held on December 4, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. at a town hall at the location set forth on the map below at the Town of Inglis Community Center, Town Hall, located at 133 Highway 40 West, Inglis, Florida. The Town Commission will hold the public hearing to consider the amendment, conduct a first reading of the amendment to adopt the amendment and conduct a second reading of the amendment to the Florida Department of Transportation. The title of said ordinance shall be:

ORDINANCE 2021-05-01

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF INGLIS, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE TOWN OF INGLIS COMPREHENSIVE PLAN RELATING TO AN AMENDMENT TO THE TEXT OF THE TOWN OF INGLIS COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, PER PART (D) AN APPLICATION, (7A.12.1) BY THE TOWN COMMISSION, UNDER THE REGULAR AMENDMENT PROCEDURE ESTABLISHED IN SECTIONS 161.10(1)(b) AND 177.10(1)(b), FLORIDA STATUTES, AS AMENDED, PROVIDING FOR ADDING A PROPERTY RIGHTS DISTRICT TO THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN PER SECTION 161.10(1)(b), FLORIDA STATUTES, AS AMENDED, AND SECTIONS 177.10(1)(b), FLORIDA STATUTES, AS AMENDED, PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT, AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

The public hearing may be continued to one or more dates. Any interested party shall be notified that the date, time and place of any continuation of the public hearing shall be announced during the public hearing and that no further notice concerning the matter will be published, unless such continuation is such to indicate modification of the date, time and place of the public hearing.

All interested parties may appear to be heard with respect to the amendment.

Copies of the amendment are available for public inspection in the Office of the Town Clerk, Town Hall, located at 133 Highway 40 West, Inglis, Florida during regular business hours.

All persons are advised that if they do not wish to appear at the above referenced public hearing, they will need a record of the proceedings, and that for each person, they may need to contact that a certain number of the proceedings in order, which would include the retention and a certain number which the appeal is to be held.

Persons with disabilities requesting reasonable accommodations to participate in this proceeding should contact the Town Clerk at least 48 hours prior to the public hearing by telephone at 904.857.2263. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the Florida Relay Service at 800.955.8771 or 904.955.8771.

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be Preppers. Prepping is actually a way for everyone to build up hopeful confidence as they plan ahead. A bit of practical prepping can take the strain off of us while we are all preparing for the next surprise. That's why everyone is now flocking to get these free unclaimed silver bars. "You should know, these are no ordinary silver bars, they are actually being minted with your name on them. They will always have value", said Mary Ellen Withrow, the 40th Treasurer of The United States. So, if you don't want to miss out, you better hurry because thousands and thousands of folks have already begun to snatch them up.



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Deeds

Marriages

Jordan Alexander Massoud, New York, NY to Anjali Upadhyay, New York, NY
Logan Allen Hackenberg, Lewisburg to Adrienne Elizabeth Gesselman, Lewisburg
Michele Marie Dorrner, Coal Township to Barry Michael Cullen, Shamokin

Community Calendar

Herr Memorial Library Fluffy Snowman Slime Dec. 4th, 10:30-11:15AM, Grades K-5, 570-966-0831
Register
Calvary Baptist Church Puzzle Exchange Millflinburg December 4th, 9-12:30pm 332 E. Chestnut St.
West End Library Holiday Photos at the Library December 4th, 10-2pm, 570-922-4773 to register
AFCMCE Retiree's Chapter 86-02 Meeting December 6th, 1pm, Selinsgrove VFW Bingo Room
Public Library for Union County Sew What? December 6th, 6-7pm, Ages 6-UP, 570-523-1172 to Register

MJHS Class of 1964 Class Luncheon December 8th, 11 at Hotel Middleburger
Millflinburg Nazarene Christmas Celebration December 9-10th, 3-9pm, Dec. 11th, 9-9pm
Herr Memorial Library Haluski at Christkindl Market December 9-11, Homemade Haluski.

Selinsgrove Class of 1955 Breakfast Lewisburg December 10th, 9am Country Club
Get Lit Night! Poe's New & Used New Berlin December 11th, 7-9pm 428 Market St.
St. John's United Church Port & Sauerkraut Dinner December 11th, 12pm, 417 Market St. Millflinburg

Lewisburg Children's Museum Virtual Arts Night December 12th 7pm, Trivia Night https://bit.ly/3CHRRW
Selinsgrove Class of 1956 Luncheon Shamokin Dam December 13th, 12noon Hoss's Steak House
Herr Memorial Library Reindeer Games Teen Program

December 13th, 3-30pm 5pm Winter themed games
Public Library for Union County Holiday Science December 13th, 6-7pm, 570-523-1172
Lewisburg Women's Connection December Brunch December 14th, 9am, Tracey 570-742-8995 for info

Selinsgrove High School Class of 1964 Lunch December 14th, 11-30am, at Denny's
Kratzerville Fire Co. Cheesesteak Nights on Weds. December 15th, 4-8pm, 62 Firehall Rd. Off Rte 204

MJHS Class of 1966 Monthly Breakfast Richfield December 15th, 9am, County Line Restaurant
MJHS Class of 1965 Lunch Lewisburg December 17th, Noon, Country Cupboard

Buffalo Valley Singers The Rhapsody of Christmas Concert Dec. 18th, 7:30pm, Dec. 19th, 3pm, St. John's UUC
West End Library Reading with Maverick Dec. 18th, 10:30-12:30pm 15 Minute Time Slot 570-922-4773

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Police

MILTON STATE POLICE
Crash 6:12 p.m. November 12, on I-80, at mile marker 210.0, in White Deer Township. Upcoming traffic was slowing/stopping within the travel lanes for an upcoming lane merge for a construction zone. A 2018 Ford Escape driven by Tracy A. Cummins, 50, of Bethlehem, was the lead vehicle. A 2018 Hyundai Sonata driven by Thomas B. Lewis, 50, of Erie, was behind Cummins's Ford Escape. A 2017 Hyundai Elantra driven by Stuart A. Bandy Sr., 32, of Helmetta, NJ, was behind Lewis's Hyundai Sonata and a 2021 Dodge Charger driven by Jonathan K. Kociolok, 22, of Bethlehem, was behind Handley's Hyundai Elantra. Cummins, Handley, and Lewis were all stopped stationary in the left lane. Kociolok failed to slow and stop and impacted the rear of Handley's Hyundai Elantra. After initial impact the force of the collision caused Handley's Hyundai Elantra to strike the rear of Lewis's Hyundai Sonata. After Lewis's Hyundai Sonata was struck the force of the collision forced it to strike Cummins's Ford Escape. All involved vehicles came to rest along the south shoulder of I-80 W. facing west. Injuries were reported. Kociolok was cited for operation of vehicle without official certificate of inspection.

Criminal Mischief Between 6p.m.-6a.m. November 12-13, on Devils Camp Road, in Gregg Township. Unknown actor(s) arrived by an unknown automobile and drove through a metal padlocking access to a private driveway. The vehicle proceeded down the driveway and into a grass yard and turned around and left the area in an unknown direction.

PFA Violation 11:21 a.m. November 10, at 359 Century Village, in Buffalo Township. PSP investigated a PFA violation between 12:30-2:15 p.m. October 18-November 14, at West Markets, 6901 Westbranch Highway, in Kelly Township. Jonathan Morales, 31, and Savanna Hovis, 25, both of Milton, stole \$198.62 worth of items from West Market. Charges were filed.

Criminal Mischief 5:12 p.m. October 30, at 2334 SR 44, in Gregg Township. PSP was contacted in regards to an unknown person throwing eggs at a residence, hitting a house and a neighbors truck. Investigation continues.

Crash 4:14 p.m. November 19, on Westbranch Highway at its intersection with Loan Road, in Kelly Township. A 2018 Chevrolet Equinox driven by Cameron L. Schartz, 21, of Pimlico, became distracted and drove into the rear of a 2007 Toyota Sienna driven by Francine C. Crooks, 57, of Trout Run, while traveling in the left lane of Westbranch Highway.

Cruelty to Animals 12:07 p.m. November 19, at 100 Stony Creek Lane, in West Buffalo Township. Unknown actor(s) shot the victim's cat with a small caliber rifle. Anyone with information is asked to contact police at 570-524-2662.

Births

A boy, Cory Alex Hoover to Lorraine (Weaver) Hoover and Jerry Hoover of Millflinburg on November 18, 2021 at 3:00 am at Evangelical Community Hospital. Grandparents are Floyd and Esther Weaver of Lewisburg and Mary Hoover and the Late Allen Hoover of Millflinburg.

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