### **Police and Sheriff**

During the period of June 13-19, the Donalsonville Police Department investigated the following incidents: 11 animal complaints, three suspicious persons / vehicle / activity, two alarms, three domestics, six send police, 71 warnings, seven unlocks, two BOLOs, one escort, two harassment, one civil papers, two damaged mailbox, two noise complaint, one criminal damage to property, ten security checks, one direct traffic, three welfare checks, two codes, seven accidents, one assisting another agency, one escort, one criminal trespass, three thefts, three 4-wheeler complaint, four road hazards, three juvenile complaints, one fire, one report of a gun, one call by phone, two run stop sign, one no tag lights, one failure to maintain lane, two DUIs, one VGCSA less than 1 oz., one open container, one no insurance, one suspended license, and one suspended tag.

Arrests:

June 20 - Cumingham, Cameron - possession of marijuana (LTO)

June 19 - Bivens, Aaliyah warrant

June 28 - Beemer, Kenneth - suspended license June 17 - Garza, Marcus -

DUI, alcohol

Woodrow W. Blue, Jr., Chief of Police

During the week of June 13th to June 19th, the Sheriff's Office responded to the following calls for service: 2 incidents in the jail, 2 juvenile complaints, 2 off-road vehicle complaints, 1 damage to property, 3 criminal trespass, 1 unattended boat, 1 writ of possession, 1 fraud, 6 concern for welfare, 2 deaths, 1 fraud, 1 theft of lost or mislaid property, 9 domestics or other disputes, 1 report of gun shots fired, 5 suspicious persons, 4 road hazards, 2 reckless drivers, 3 accidents, 4 medical calls, 3 reports of livestock in the roadway, 4 alarms, 1 improperly parked vehicle, and 5 miscellaneous

One subject was transported to Thomasville per orders of mental health. Officers provided court security 1 time, assisted 8 stranded motorists, and provided 3 escorts. They conducted 54 traffic stops and attempted service of civil papers 40

On June 13th, Caleb Millner, age 23, was arrested and charged with DUI and speed-

On June 13th, Devon Salter, age 18, was arrested and charged with DUI, possession of marijuana, and failure to maintain lane.

On June 13th, Melinda F. Varnum, age 33, was arrested and charged with possession of meth and obstruction of an officer.

On June 16th, Marcus M. Garza, age 22, was booked in the jail for Donalsonville Police Dept for DUI and failure to maintain lane.

On June 18th, Kenneth R. Beemer, age 37, was booked in the jail for Donalsonville Police Dept for suspended license and no taillights.

On June 19th, Aaliyah R. Bivens, age 27, was booked in the jail for Donalsonville Police Dept for improper conduct during a 911 call.

One inmate was transported to Calhoun County for transfer to the state prison system. An average of 53 inmates was housed in jail each day.

In addition, the Sheriff's Office / E911 Dispatch handled 38 calls for Grady EMS, 5 for the first responders, and 1 for the coroner. They made 2 requests for EMS mutual aid and 2 requests for life flight services.

They handled 130 calls for Donalsonville Police Dept, 9 for Donalsonville Fire Rescue, 5 for Seminole County Fire Rescue, 4 for Iron City Fire Dept, 8 for Seminole County Fire Dept, 1 for codes enforcement, 2 for Dept of Natural Resources, 1 for Georgia Bureau of Investigations, 10 for other law enforcement or other emergency service agencies, and 13 others.

The office received a total of 114 calls to 9-1-1 including 23 non-emergency calls.

Heath Elliott, Sheriff / E911 Director

# Looking Back!



JAKIN HONOR GRADS

Principal Joe Cannon of Jakin High School congratulates Rebecca Miller, while William Knight, left, and Jerry Miller look on. The three are top honor students of the graduating class

and will appear on the program of commencement exercises on June 1st. Absent from the photo is Betty Bowen, also one of the top four. There are nine members of this year's Senior class. The honor grads were chosen on the basis of their grades. (Reprinted from the May 17, 1962 issue of The Donalsonville News.)

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This week in

♣ Almost as if by magic, the old church house where the Presbyterians of Donalsonville have worshiped for lo, these many years, began to move last Monday, and slowly wended its way to the back of the church grounds where the contractor anchored the building, and stayed it securely to be used until the handsome new church that denomination will build, is completed. The new church will be commodious, and will be built on modern lines, furnishing when completed, one of the most attractive church edifices in the section of the state. The example set by the Presbyterians is worthy of emulation by other

denominations of the town.

❖ During the past week, court week in Donalsonville, several complaints have been registered against the convenience of the town for the country people. Some of our merchants feel that the town is lacking along this line, and as stated by one last Saturday, "one of the crying needs of Donalsonville is a suitable place for the country folks to hitch their teams to". The complete lack of such a convenience was not realized until "ye scribe" casually strolled through the area of the town generally used to park country teams, and only one dilapidated rack was discovered. It seems difficult for the

town of Donalsonville to fully grasp the fact that it is now the county site of Seminole County, and as such, should equip itself with adequate conveniences for the citizens of the county. It is close to cruelty to tie a horse or mule out in the sun and let him stand while the owner attends to business.

❖ The second Grand Jury to serve in the new county of Seminole finished the work brought before them for the term, and was dismissed by Judge Worrill with very complimentary words for the intelligent and rapid manner in which they had performed the duties of the

This week in



## **Lifetime Park Passes Available July 1**

The Seminole County Board of Commissioners will be offering a "Lifetime Resident" Launch Pass beginning July 1, 2022 for full time residents of Seminole County.

This one-time purchase will be \$30. For full time residents who currently have an annual pass, the fee will be \$10 along with the return of their annual pass at the time of purchase.

The "Lifetime" Launch Pass can be used for all county operated parks: Reynolds Landing, Sealy's, Saunders Slough, and Cummings Land-

The pass can be purchased at the Commissioners' Office at the Seminole County Courthouse.

Your news.

❖ A polio warning to parents of young children throughout the state was issued in Atlanta by Department of Human Resources epidemiologist Dr. John McCroan. "Polio is a crippler and sometimes a killer, particularly of children and young adults", Dr. McCroan said. "The disease most commonly contracted during the Summer months poses a real threat to the health of inadequately protected children. It is a threat which should be taken very seriously. The polio virus still exists!"

❖ Several Seminole County 4-H'ers were first place winners at district competition, including Ellen Stew-

the proposal to build a brand new

jail house in Donalsonville became

a done deal when County Commis-

sioner Bert Thomas put his official

signature on agreement with the ar-

chitect firm, which is already mov-

ing to make a deal with a building

❖ Darrell Brown, 14-year-old ris-

ing eighth grader and son of Elijah

and Janet Brown, was chosen Most

Valuable Player and the Best Back

at the Mickey Washington football

camp of the Jacksonville Jaguars

of the NFL. Brown thanked for-

art, in dress revue; Sandy McLeod, in public speaking; and Jody Youmans, in poultry. Others attending were Miss Nellie Mae Whitehead, county extension home economist; Royce Hall, county agent; Wade Spooner, who was elected Southwest District -H Council president; and 4-H members Iosie Miller, Susan Hall, Nan Pritchett, Elaine Easom, Kim Anderson, Diane Coachman, Vivian Coachman, Bubba Jones, Brad Clarke, Bob Youmans, Keith Odom, Charles Hall and Harry Hall.

❖ Hurricane Agnes drew the attention of the area over the past week end, and at one time the outlook was that the coming of the storm would be all bad news. It was bad news for some residents, but by the time its winds and turbulence reached Seminole County, the silver lining was showing. The silver lining was in the form of approximately five inches of rain that was badly needed. And the rainfall came in a slow, continuous fashion, meaning most of the moisture went into the soil without running off. County Agent Royce Hall says it was the proverbial million dollar rain.

Miss Gail Harris, state news director of WCTV, channel 6, was the guest speaker at the Donalsonville Lions Club's regular weekly meeting.

This week in

❖ It's been a long time coming, but mer SCHS star Phillip Daniels and coach Wayne Proffitt for making his

> visit to the camp possible. Students from five schools across four counties participated in the 1997 Foreign Language Fair at Bainbridge College. Winners from Seminole County included Dalemetrai Rambeau, Carlie Phillips, Erick Bell, Lindsay Odom, Lisa Freeman, Dianne Henderson, Toni Price, Danielle Brannon, Anna Phillips, Alexias Register and Christie Cox. They were accompanied by advisors Ms. Natalia Adkins and Ms. Debra

❖ The Donalsonville Garden Club made their first field trip of the Summer, visiting The Lapham-Patterson House and Pebble Hill Plantation in Thomasville, followed by lunch at Louie's on Remington Ave. Ladies making the trip included Ouida Kelly, Cookie Wallace, Nell Godby, Joy Lane, Meryl Davis and Beatrice Trawick.

❖ Brent Womble received his bachelor of science degree in criminal justice from Dr. Homer R. Pankey, president of Thomas College in Thomasville. Womble is the son of Gloria and Joe Womble of Jakin.

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