

# Bait & Tackle store partners with local businesses

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t-shirts created by Alachua County firefighter Gene Findley.

Frozen shrimp caught out of nearby Horseshoe Beach are available for purchase, as are live shrimp, other saltwater baits and freshwater options such as worms and catfish bait.

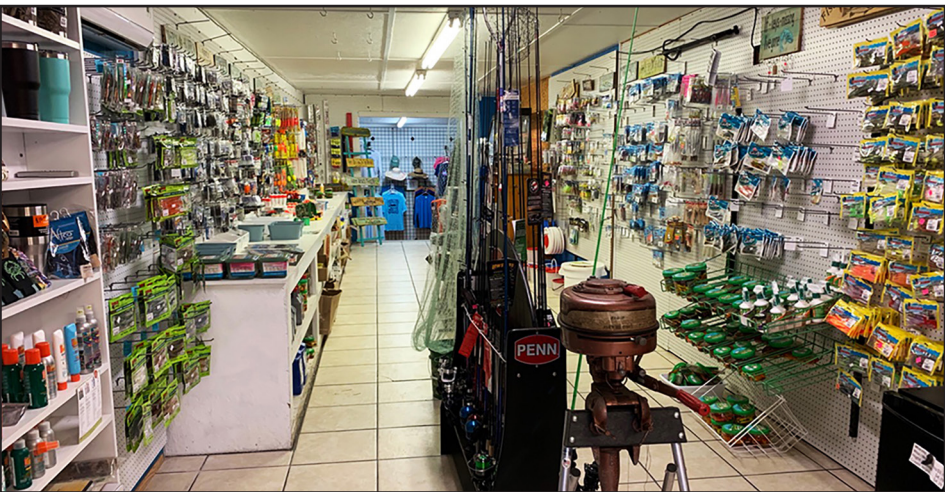
The Driggers work hand in hand with Good Times Marina on bait deliveries as a way to cut down on delivery costs.

In lieu of ordering online, the Driggers contracted with Steinhatchee's own Team Williams to produce the storefront's new exterior signage.

Many of the store's artificial lures, such as Saltwater Assassin, Captain Brian Smith's homemade "Confidence Jigs," and "Jim's Jigs" are all crafted by locals in the Taylor County area and surrounding communities. Locally-made crab traps from two different trap makers can also be purchased on site.

Due to a limited amount of space, the Driggers cannot possibly stock large quantities of everything, but they do have on hand a diverse selection of fishing rods and tackle popular with area anglers and charter captains.

"We're trying to support locally-owned businesses, and they in turn support us," Valena states. "It may cost us a little more, but if I need to order something, I don't have to wait three days to get it, and there is the convenience of the face-to-face relationship."



Live shrimp, frozen bait, lures, ice, coolers, shirts, flip flops and water shoes can be found at Steinhatchee Bait and Tackle. It is open Tuesday through Sunday from 6 a.m. to 5 p.m.

## Tour of Lights deadline today

Residents, local churches and communities are invited to take part in the Taylor County Historical Society's fifth annual Christmas Lights Competition and Tour of Lights.

Registration is free, and all participants will be placed on a map with each location's address highlighted.

Residents are invited to then visit each location and vote for their favorites in the following categories: "Best Overall Display," "Most Unique," "Best Religious Display," "People's Choice" and "Most Lights."

The deadline to submit entry forms is Friday, Dec. 4. Voting will open on

Monday, Dec. 7.

Winners will be announced during an awards ceremony planned Saturday, Dec. 19, at the "Tour of Lights Grand Finale" at Iron Horse Mud Ranch, starting at 6 p.m.

The "grand finale" will feature milk and cookies with Santa along with a special Christmas movie screening and light displays.

A traveling trophy will be awarded to the overall winner. Additional prizes will be given to other category winners.

Registration forms are available at Rain's Train Stop Flower Shop and the office of Perry Newspapers, as well as at the Taylor County Historical Society Facebook page.

## HELP WANTED

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### RANCH & HEAVY EQUIPMENT PERSONNEL NEEDED

Growing organization in Madison County.

- Minimum 5 years experience with references,
  - Skilled in operating log skidders, choppers, loaders, and tractors with mechanic and ranch experience,
  - Good pay, full-time work.
- Send resumes to saconstruction@embarqmail.com or mail to 9501 S Istachatta Rd, Floral City, FL 34436  
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### SALES ASSOCIATE

We are looking for a new Sales Associate to join the Big Top Team. Ideal candidates must have experience developing and maintaining solid customer rapport. Sales experience in military, building trades, marine industry, environmental industry and/or construction industry is a plus. Sales Associates are required some travel within their respective region. This is a performance-based position with an emphasis on continued growth. Experience in the following areas is preferred, but not required.

- Microsoft Office Suite Software,
- Auto-Cad/Micro Station,
- Reading technical drawings, proposals, & contracts.

Educational Requirements:  
• High school graduation required.  
• Bachelor's degree from an accredited school is required.

A preference will be given for an applicant with a 4-year college degree, a ranking officer of the U.S. Military, or 5 years of sales experience with one company.

Qualified applications can apply online at [www.bigtopshelters.com/careers](http://www.bigtopshelters.com/careers), or in person at Big Top Manufacturing, Inc. 3255 N US 19, Perry, Florida (by appointment only). Driving record report and Drug test will be required if hired. EEO/AA/m/f/vets/disabled

### CIVIL AND STRUCTURAL ENGINEER-IN-TRAINING

We are looking for a Civil/Structural Engineer-in-Training to join the Big Top Team. The ideal candidate for this position should possess a strong structural design and architecture background.

Solid knowledge in steel, concrete, and masonry are essential skills. Responsibilities include assessment, planning, and execution of structural designs on a wide range of projects. Majority of work will be designing or consulting on the installation of Shelter projects. Travel to project locations will be necessary. Must have experience in:

- ~ Metal Truss Structures
  - ~ Commercial
  - ~ Industrial
  - ~ Government
- Minimum qualifications and job responsibilities will also include:
- Designing structures to withstand pressures and forces which they must endure,
  - Collaborating with other designers and/or architects as it relates to the safest designs and how they may fit in with the aesthetic concept of the construction,
  - Applying expert knowledge of forces and their impact on various structures,
  - Solid working knowledge in the strength of different materials (e.g. concrete, steel, or wood) and understanding of how their inclusion may necessitate a change of structural design,
  - Analyzing suitable configurations of the basic structural components of a building or other structure,
  - In-process inspections, as well as providing guidance/feedback to contractors.

Educational Requirements  
Bachelor's Degree in Engineering  
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## LEGALS

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that Joshua Dewayne Sadler, OWNER, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of Mr. Sadler's Appliance Repair Service located at 319 A.L. Suber Drive, Perry, Fla., 32347-8921 intends to register the said name in TAYLOR COUNTY with the Division of Corporations, Florida Department of State, pursuant to section 865.09 of the Florida Statutes.

## Country Sass Boutique opens its doors



The Chamber of Commerce celebrated the grand opening of the Country Sass Boutique Tuesday, Dec. 1, with a ribbon cutting ceremony at the store's location, 121 East Green Street in Perry. The Country Sass Boutique, owned by Jennifer Crain, offers women's and children's clothing and is open Tuesday through Saturday from 10:30 to 7 p.m. "Opening a retail store has been my lifelong dream. I wanted to open a store here to help bring some life back to downtown," Crain said.

## City seeks Firefighters Pension Board member

Do you have free time and a desire to help City of Perry firefighters?

The city council is seeking a local citizen to serve on the Perry Firefighters Pension Board.

Volunteer board members are required to meet once every three

months for approximately one hour to review options brought by pension plan administrators.

A basic knowledge of money and business is helpful, but not necessary, as plan administrators and lawyers are available to explain in layman's terms the impacts of each choice.

The new member will replace outgoing pension board member David S. Sullivan, whose term will expire December 31, 2020.

If you are interested in serving, call Penny Staffney at 584-7161 (extension 115) or Taylor Brown 584-7161 (extension 117).



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