



FINANCIAL FOCUS

Look at your financial situation holistically



By Cory Taylor

same holistic thinking when you plan for your financial future — that is, bringing into the picture all elements of yourself.

Here are some things that may affect your financial strategy:

- **Your views on helping your family** – Your decisions about helping your family are clearly going to be a major part of your financial strategy, and this is true at virtually all stages of your life.

When your children are young, you'll need to decide if you're going to save money for their college education, and if so, how much, and in what investments. When they're young adults, you may also need to decide how much financial support

you're willing to provide for major expenses such as down payments on a new home or a new car.

And when you're drawing up your estate plans, you'll need to consider how and when to distribute assets to your children, grandchildren or other family members.

- **Your personal beliefs** – As someone with civic, ethical and moral concerns, you may feel compelled to make charitable gifts throughout your life and then make philanthropy part of your legacy. To accomplish these objectives, you'll want to include gifting techniques in your financial strategy today and your estate plans for tomorrow. Of course, for the estate-planning component, you'll need to

work with your tax and legal advisors.

- **Your purpose in life when you retire** – Having a purpose can bring fulfillment beyond financial security. Leading up to retirement, your purpose may involve providing for your immediate family, bringing value to your profession or contributing to your community.

When you retire and step off your career path, you're entering a new world of possibilities. How will you define, and live out, your new sense of purpose at this stage of your life? Do you seek to broaden your horizons by traveling around the world? Or spend more time volunteering? Can you pursue hobbies that give you a chance for self-

expression? Each of these choices will carry different financial implications for how much you'll need to accumulate for retirement and how much income you will need to take out each year from your retirement accounts, such as your IRA and 401(k).

- **Your health** – Your physical and mental health can play big roles in your financial plans and outlook. On the most basic level, the healthier you are, and the better you take care of yourself, the lower your health care bills will likely be during retirement, which will affect the amount you need to put away for health care. And you also may need to prepare for the costs of long-term care,

which can be enormous — in fact, a private room in a nursing home can easily cost \$100,000 per year, according to Genworth, an insurance company.

It can be challenging to weave all these elements into a single, unified vision, so you may want to get some help from a financial professional. But, in any case, be prepared to look at your situation holistically because, when putting together a lifetime's financial strategy, every part of your life matters.

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Building a team with a common goal: dinner

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my breakfast.

I would leave them in the milk box for Erna, who would take them home for George to clean.

On Friday morning of the first week, she showed up with over a dozen cleaned squirrels. When I got off the bus after school, Erna and my mom were in the kitchen cooking dinner.

Mamma had heard how good Erna's smothered fried squirrels were and

she was watching intently so she could copy Erna's magic.

Erna made a couple of plates and headed home to George.

The Clark family sat down to a meal that could only be prepared in the South.

What we had done without realizing it was build a team with a common goal:

My dad provided the gun and ammo;

My mom woke me and cooked my breakfast while

I hunted;

Erna would gather the squirrels and take them to George to clean and bring half of them back to us — both families would have smothered fried squirrels for dinner at least once a week.

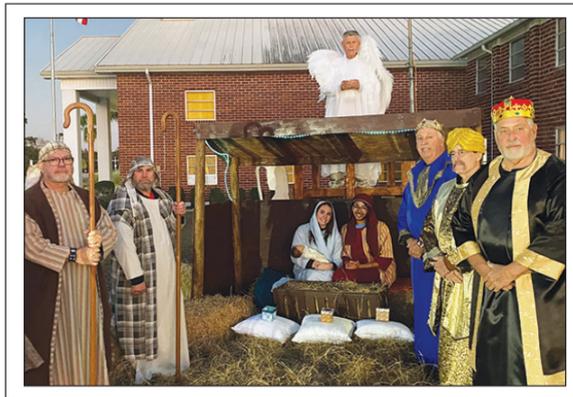
Even my sisters got involved, harvesting a bumper crop of pecans, allowing them to buy everyone nice Christmas presents!

It was one of the best Christmases I ever had before or since, not

because of the presents, but because our two families became closer all because

of a common goal — a plate of smothered fried squirrels!

If only we could all learn from that, it would be a better world!



Live Nativity downtown

New Home Baptist Church will present a Live Nativity during the annual Downtown Christmas on the Square celebration Friday, Dec. 5, beginning at 6 p.m. Any child attending dressed as a Bible character will receive a free gift.

LEGALS

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2. 2000 RED JEEP VIN # 134GW58S3YC252734
3. 2003 WHITE HONDA VIN# 2HGES26733H509906
4. 1999 WHITE FORD VIN# 1FTZX1729XNB99773
5. 1991 GRAY CADILLAC VIN# IGCD533XL4349638
6. 1996 GREEN NISSAN VIN# JN1CA21DOTM414810
7. 1998 WHITE PONTIAC VIN# 1G2HX52K5W4208945
8. 2000 TAN OLDSMOBILE VIN# 1G3WH52HXFY272227

The owner or any person claiming an interest in the property must claim it within five (5) days from the date of this notice. If the property is not claimed within this period, it will be disposed of in accordance with Chapter 705, Florida Statutes. The owner will be liable for all costs of removal, storage, and publication of this notice.

For further information or to claim the property, contact: Lt. Ray Kellerman at 850-584-5121.
Dated: Nov. 12, 2025

IN THE COUNTY COURT IN AND FOR TAYLOR COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO.: 25-301CC

Mark Brady, Plaintiff, vs.
Brittney Brady, Defendant.
Notice of Action
To: Brittney Brady

You are notified that an action for establishment of ownership of personal property described as: 1996 Ford Bronco vin#1FMEV15TLB76457 has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any to it on Plaintiff, Mark Brady, whose address is: 921 3rd St. NW, Steinhatchee, FL 32359, on or before December 8, 2025, and file the original with the Clerk of this Court immediately thereafter, otherwise a Default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint. Dated this 6th day of November, 2025, Gary Knowles
Clerk of the Court
Taylor County, Florida
By: Kathryn Lago
Deputy Clerk

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED TDA 25-046

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that BEAMIF A, LLC, the holder of the following certificate, has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number, year of issuance, description of the property and the names in which the property was assessed are as follows:
Certificate Number 516
Year of Issuance 2023
Description of Property:
Parcel Number: R05076-000
Described as: LEG 0000.43 ACRES - ARLINGTON HEIGHTS - PART OF LOT 1 DESC AS COM NE COR OF - NE 1/4 OF SW 1/4 RUN W 460.2 FT S - 295 FT FOR POB TH W 210 FT S 90 FT E - 210 FT N 90 FT TO POB - OR 466-917 - SECTION 26 TOWNSHIP 04 RANGE 07
Name in which assessed: Inez F. Green & Verdell S. Singleton
Said property being in the County of Taylor, State of Florida.
Unless such certificate is redeemed according to law, the property described shall be sold to the

highest bidder in the Courtroom on the 2nd floor in the Taylor County, FL Courthouse on the 8th day of December 2025 at 11:00 a.m.

** To participate in the bidding, you must be prepared to pay a NON-REFUNDABLE \$200.00 CASH deposit immediately following the sale of each parcel in which you are the highest bidder. **
Dated this 31st day of October 2025
Signature: Gary Knowles
Clerk of Circuit Court
Taylor County, Florida

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED TDA 25-047

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Certificate Number 187
Year of Issuance 2023
Description of Property:
Parcel Number: R02624-100
Described as: LEG 0000.20 ACRES - PERRY HEIGHTS SUB - E 36.93 FT OF LOT 5 & W 33.93 FT OF - LOT 6 & E 36.93 FT OF N 15 FT OF - LOT 16 & N 15 FT OF W 33.93 FT OF - LOT 17 & THAT PART OF 15 FT ALLEY - BETWEEN SAID LOTS - OR 416-553 687-419 OR 822- 14 - SECTION 13 TOWNSHIP 04 RANGE 07
Name in which assessed: Eddie L. & Shannon Mathis
Said property being in the County of Taylor, State of Florida.

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Certificate Number 150
Year of Issuance 2023
Description of Property:
Parcel Number: R02414-440
Described as: LEG 0001.00 ACRES - COM NW COR OF SW 1/4 OF SW 1/4 TH S - 362 FT E 1052.89 FT S 154.78 FT FOR - POB TH CONT S 155.37 FT TH W 280.42 - FT N 155.37 FT E 280.42 FT TO POB - OR 248-307 - SECTION 12 TOWNSHIP 04 RANGE 07
Name in which assessed: Carl E. Coxwell Estate
Said property being in the County of Taylor, State of Florida.
Unless such certificate is redeemed

according to law, the property described shall be sold to the highest bidder in the Courtroom on the 2nd floor in the Taylor County, FL Courthouse on the 8th day of December 2025 at 11:00 a.m.

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Certificate Number 564
Year of Issuance 2023
Description of Property:
Parcel Number: R05278-000
Described as: II LEG 0000.48 ACRES - N L SMITH SUB - E 1/2 LOT 4 BLK D - OR 669-7 SECTION 26 TOWNSHIP 04 RANGE 07
Name in which assessed: Ira Linda S. Rackleff
Said property being in the County of Taylor, State of Florida.

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Certificate Number 523
Year of Issuance 2023
Description of Property:
Parcel Number: R05109-000
Described as: LEG 0000.26 ACRES - SPRING LAKE HEIGHTS - LOT 1 BLK B - OR 512-141 OR 840- 113 - SECTION 26 TOWNSHIP 04 RANGE 07
Name in which assessed: Gregory Simmons
Said property being in the County of Taylor, State of Florida.

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Certificate Number 524
Year of Issuance 2023
Description of Property:
Parcel Number: R05110-000
Described as: LEG 0000.20 ACRES - SPRING LAKE HEIGHTS - LOT 2 BLK B - OR 512-142 OR 840- 113 - SECTION 26 TOWNSHIP 04 RANGE 07
Name in which assessed: Gregory Simmons
Said property being in the County of Taylor, State of Florida.

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Certificate Number 104
Year of Issuance 2023
Description of Property:
Parcel Number: R02075-125
Described as: LEG 0001.00 ACRES - COM AT INT OF E BDY AND N RW 588W 256.55 FT TH NOODW 150 FT TO POB TH W 210.00 FT TH NOODW 210.00 FT TH E 210.00 FT TH 500DE 210.00 FT TO POB - OR 308-862 OR 416-888 DC OR 857-602 OR 859-136 OR 859-39 OR 861-654 OR 859-945 - SECTION 01 TOWNSHIP 04 RANGE 07
Name in which assessed: Trey Logan Stephens
Said property being in the County of Taylor, State of Florida.

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Certificate Number 452
Year of Issuance 2023
Description of Property:
Parcel Number: R04835-100
Described as: LEG 0000.15 ACRES - COM NW COR SW 1/4 OF NW 1/4 RUN S - 160 FT E 67 FT TO POB TH E 49.6 FT - S 130 FT W 49.6 FT N 130 FT TO POB - OR 571-55 - SECTION 25 TOWNSHIP 04 RANGE 07
Name in which assessed: Norma Jean Jackson
Said property being in the County of Taylor, State of Florida.

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Certificate Number 266
Year of Issuance 2023
Description of Property:
Parcel Number: R03192-000
Described as: LEG 0000.20 ACRES - SPRING CREEK SUB - E 1/2 OF LOT 15 - TD OR 783-493 SECTION 23 TOWNSHIP 04 RANGE 07
Name in which assessed: Horizon Trust FBO Stephen W. King IRA
Said property being in the County of Taylor, State of Florida.

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Certificate Number 425
Year of Issuance 2023
Description of Property:
Parcel Number: R04649-000
Described as: LEG 0000.38 ACRES - HOMHAVEN SUB - LOTS 18 & 19 BLK 4 - OR 144-127 SECTION 25 TOWNSHIP 04 RANGE 07
Name in which assessed: Kathleen T. Hendry
Said property being in the County of Taylor, State of Florida.

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Certificate Number 365
Year of Issuance 2023
Description of Property:
Parcel Number: R04112-000
Described as: LEG 0000.13 ACRES - BLAIR-HINELY ADD - LOT 5 BLK 7 - OR 152-680 SECTION 24 TOWNSHIP 04 RANGE 07
Name in which assessed: Juanita Scott, ET AL
Said property being in the County of Taylor, State of Florida.

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