



## US GENERAL KILLED

THE WIRE PAGE 1  
A man dressed in an Afghan army uniform opened fire on NATO troops at a military base, killing an American two-star general.

## NIXON TAPES RELEASED

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Richard Nixon tells the tale of his fall from grace in his own words, recalling the day he decided to resign to his last day in office.



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### LIVE LIKE A TOURIST



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Guests can choose from several kinds of Yuengling beers to sample.

## Free tour, free beer ... Mmm

Today, in honor of my birthday (or beer day, as I call it), I am going to be like *Sun* Sports Writer Rob Shore, who writes a weekly column that



Christy FEINBERG  
COLUMNIST

begins with a song suggestion to accompany his piece.

Thus, this column should be read while listening to John Lee Hooker's "One Bourbon, One Scotch, One Beer." Mmm ... beer.

Warning: Do not read this to Toby Keith's "Red Solo Cup." This paper is flammable and could ignite in your hands. That song is so hideous that if you're reading this online, your computer/smartphone/tablet could spontaneously explode as well. Just go ahead and pour your beer out on your head instead — wait, don't waste that beer.

Mmm ... beer. Famous writers, actors, musicians and philosophers have talked about the gift that is beer for centuries.

"Without question, the greatest invention in the history of mankind is beer. Oh, I grant you the wheel was also a fine invention, but the wheel does not go nearly as well with pizza." — Writer Dave Barry, who should order a

### IF YOU GO

**Where:** Yuengling Brewery, 11111 N. 30th St, Tampa  
**When:** 10 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 1 p.m. Monday through Friday; 10:30 a.m. and noon Saturday  
**Cost:** Free  
**Tips:** Must wear closed shoes (meaning no sandals, flip-flops, Crocs, etc.)  
**More info:** [www.yuengling.com/breweries/tampa/](http://www.yuengling.com/breweries/tampa/)

Leinenkugel Berry Weiss because that would just be awesome — Barry-Berry. "Beer is proof that God loves us and wants us to be happy." — Benjamin Franklin. I mean, really, how can you argue with him?

"Beer — now there's a temporary solution." — Philosopher Homer ... Simpson.

And what's better than beer? No, not wine. Free beer!

So gas up the car and let's go to the Yuengling Brewery in Tampa, where you can tour the facility and taste free beer.

Mmm ... free beer.

Yuengling offers free tours six days a week, but it's best to go Monday through Thursday, when most of the plant is fully operating. There are three tours provided at 10 a.m., 11:30 a.m.

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The best part about touring the Yuengling Brewery in Tampa? Free beer.

# FSWC raises the bar

By ADAM KREGER  
STAFF WRITER

PUNTA GORDA — Most students in Charlotte County return to school Aug. 18. And the bar has been raised for those who will attend the first full school year at Florida SouthWestern Collegiate High School at Florida SouthWestern State College Charlotte Campus — or FSWC — since its name change.

Students at the high school in Punta Gorda — the county's only charter school — last year improved their state test scores and final exams in five of six categories, and were well above the state and local averages in each, according to recently released data from the Florida Department of Education.

"We are so pleased to see so many of our students excel with their FCAT and EOC scores," FSWC principal Diane Juneau stated in a press release. "Here

at FSWC, the teachers and staff try to offer a variety of learning options for students so that they have the opportunity to receive the best possible education to ready them for college and real-world challenges."

On the most recent FCAT tests, 88 percent of FSWC 10th-graders passed the reading portion, and 91 percent passed the writing portion. And

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# Who needs wings?



SUN PHOTO BY BETSY WILLIAMS

A conditioning workshop was held last week at Florida Dance Workshop in Port Charlotte for all levels, to help the dancers stay in shape for the upcoming dance season. Here, Alyssa Baker, 9, practices leaps, turns and aerials during the junior workshop. See more photos, page 14.

# City's high water could have been worse

By BRENDA BARBOSA  
STAFF WRITER

PUNTA GORDA — Heavy rains the last few days have left the city soggy and miserable, snarling traffic and flooding sections of the downtown. Yet, despite the steady downpours that have sopped the area since Sunday, many agreed it could have been worse.

"I was watching the news last night and when you see what's going on in Cape Coral and Fort Myers, this is nothing," said Punta Gorda resident Amber Jones, as she took advantage of a break in the clouds to walk her dog.

Indeed, unlike neighboring cities, Punta Gorda — a low-lying waterfront community notorious for heavy flooding — held up remarkably well.

Massive drainage improvements along Gil and Durrance streets between Retta Esplanade and Olympia Avenue in the city's downtown, as well as

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SUN PHOTO BY BRENDA BARBOSA

Heavy rains this week have tested Punta Gorda's new drainage improvements.

# Edna Peeples worked behind the scenes

By AL HEMINGWAY  
SUN CORRESPONDENT

PUNTA GORDA — The very first day 15-year-old Edna Jane moved to Punta Gorda in 1945, she met her future husband, Vernon Peeples Sr.

"It was her birthday," Vernon Peeples said. "We became high school sweethearts and dated for six years and we married in August 1951."

On Sunday, Edna Jane Peeples, 83, passed away after a long illness. Born in Kearney, N.J., on Nov. 2, 1930, she chose a career in nursing and graduated first in her class from the Jackson Hospital School of Nursing in 1951. She was a registered nurse and director of volunteer services at the community hospital.

Although strong and opinionated, Peeples was a private, behind-the-scenes person who was a devoted wife and mother. She was very active in the Church of the Good Shepherd. She held



PHOTO PROVIDED

Edna Jane and Vernon Peeples Sr.'s love story spans nearly 70 years. Edna Jane passed away Sunday at the age of 83.

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# City of Punta Gorda rocks into August

Saturday, we will be commemorating the 10th anniversary of Hurricane Charley at Charlotte Sports Park, to thank as many of those as possible who helped our community "rise like a phoenix" to become the city it is today. Any business is invited to attend and sell its wares (for either a \$100 flat fee or the purchase of 20 tickets at either the \$9 or \$19 price point). Certain restrictions apply, in order to not compete with the concessionaires at the ballpark. To register your business to sell goods or services, please call Tyler at 941-639-3720, and she will get you all the necessary information.

We would like as many residents of our area as possible to attend also. Both ticket levels are Box Level. The ticket only is \$9; but for \$19, you can include an all-you-can-eat buffet of hot dogs, chips, popcorn, cookies and sodas. These tickets can be purchased



**Punta Gorda Chamber**

John Wright

now in the online payment center at [www.puntagordachamber.com](http://www.puntagordachamber.com), or by calling the chamber office during regular office hours. The game will conclude with a fireworks display as well.

A portion of the proceeds of each ticket sold will go to Project Illumination — a project to light up the entire city of Punta Gorda for the holidays, which, in turn, seemed to be an appropriate way of "shining a light" on Punta Gorda's progress over the last 10 years. Please be part of our celebrations and mark your calendars to come along and join the party.

City Councilwoman Carolyn Freeland will do

the honors of throwing out the first pitch in the pregame festivities, in the absence of Mayor Rachel Keesling and former mayor Steve Fabian, who was mayor when Charley paid a visit. Carolyn is a little nervous about getting the ball across home plate, and needs as much encouragement as we can muster!

Also, now in preparation, the annual Pops at Sunset concert is confirmed for Oct. 11 at Florida SouthWestern State College Charlotte Campus in Punta Gorda, with the park opening at 5.30 p.m. We are thrilled to be bringing a group from New York, who both look and sound like ABBA.

Do you remember "Dancing Queen," "The Winner Takes It All," "Money, Money, Money" and "Mamma Mia"? They'll be performing all those favorites that night. Regular tickets are \$25 per person, and can be purchased either

by calling our office or visiting the online payment center at [www.puntagordachamber.com](http://www.puntagordachamber.com). Bring your own chair and picnic and enjoy a crazy night of musical fun under the stars, with a portion of the proceeds benefiting the college foundation. As in all previous years, there are tables up front for sponsorship, and we have no doubt that there'll be some crazy costumes on display that night! If you wish to purchase a table and/or be a sponsor, now is the time to get on board, so we can maximize your dollars in the run up to the show.

Just in case you missed our recent announcement, there are only a few VIP tickets remaining for next year's 10th Annual Wine and Jazz Festival. The lineup is Dave Koz, Nick Colionne and Mindi Abair. Tickets are on sale for all categories now, and many of the VIP tickets already have been snapped up, so don't delay. Either

visit the online payment center at [www.puntagordachamber.com](http://www.puntagordachamber.com) and purchase securely from there, or call the office during regular office hours at 941-639-3720. Full details of what is included in each ticket price also can be found on the site. Our only "disclaimers" are, sadly, no pets, and definitely no coolers.

Very shortly, the Punta Gorda chamber will be honored by the Arts & Humanities Council of Charlotte County for the Wine and Jazz Festival. We are truly honored to receive this accolade in recognition of the chamber's significant contribution to the promotion of performing arts in our area, and we'll treasure this award for years to come.

Join us in congratulating the 15 finalists, all vying to receive the Donna Heidenreich Business of the Year award for 2014, to be presented at our Sept. 13 awards gala. In alphabetical

order, they are: Calusa Bank, the Charlotte County Homeless Coalition, the Charlotte Players, the Charlotte Sun, Copperfish Books, Dean's South of the Border, the Farr Law Firm, Fishermen's Village Realty, Florida SouthWestern State College, Four Points by Sheraton Punta Gorda Harborside, Friends of the Punta Gorda Library, Golisano Pediatric Clinic, Marketing Arm International, Salon Blue and Sunny Days Ice Cream. Congratulations to you all.

Join our mailing list to get your very own copy of the Friday Facts and never be out of the loop again. Call us at 941-639-3720, or visit [www.puntagordachamber.com](http://www.puntagordachamber.com) and click the "Friday Facts" icon.

*John R. Wright is president of the Punta Gorda Chamber of Commerce. Contact him at [jrwright@puntagorda-chamber.com](mailto:jrwright@puntagorda-chamber.com).*

# Cultural Center shops offer great bargains

Tired of being stuck at home because of the heat and rain? Well, look no further, as the Cultural Center offers you retail therapy in a friendly and comfortable environment.

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## CULTURAL CENTER

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have beautiful handmade items (lovingly made by our volunteers, the Happy Helpers) in the Gift Shop. These shops combine to offer a truly unique shopping experience that just cannot be found elsewhere in Charlotte

County. Where else can you enjoy shopping, delicious food at the Midtown Café, classes at the Learning Place, entertainment in the theater, or even working out at our Fitness Salon?

With the exception of the handmade items in the Gift Shop, all our shops are able to offer a variety of items due to the generosity of members of the Charlotte County community

who donate all of the items you see for sale. We gratefully accept your clean, gently used donations, including clothing, working electronics, glassware, cookware, knickknacks, furniture, collectibles, memorabilia and craft items.

Please think of the Cultural Center when shopping or making donations. Your support is absolutely essential

to the Cultural Center, and we cannot thank you enough for your generosity.

The Cultural Center of Charlotte County Inc. is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that receives no operational funding from governmental sources. It has been in operation since 1961, when it began its mission in the education field, and since has expanded exponentially.

For any inquiries, please call 941-625-4175, ext. 226; or visit us at 2280 Aaron St., Port Charlotte.

Additional information can be found on our website: [www.theculturalcenter.com](http://www.theculturalcenter.com).

*Jennifer DeMott is the retail manager at the Cultural Center of Charlotte County in Port Charlotte. She can be contacted at 941-625-4175, ext. 227.*

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## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

### GOVERNMENT

- TODAY**  
**Code Enforcement,** Board meeting, 9 a.m., 18500 Murdock Circle, Room 119, PC. 743-1238.
- Parks and Recreation,** Advisory Board meeting, 1 p.m., Mid-County Regional Library, 2050 Forrest Nelson Blvd., Room C, PC.
- Mid Charlotte,** Stormwater Utility Unit Advisory Committee meeting, 2 p.m., 7000 Florida St., PG. 575-3613.

### EVENTS

- TODAY**  
**Easy Does It Club,** Easy Does It Club offers AA & Alanon

- meetings daily from 7:30 am to 9 pm at 23312 Harper Ave., PC. Call 941-624-0110
- Woodcarving & Wood-burning** every Wed. 8am to 12pm at the Cultural Center. Come and enjoy with us. Bev 764-6452
- Project Linus,** Crochet and knit blankets for kids every Wed 9-11am New Day Christian Church 20212 Peachland Blvd. Nancy 627-4364
- Deep Creek Elks 2763,** Lunch With Peggy 11-2:30
- Port Charlotte Elks,** Lunch Sandwiches 1 to 4. Dinner 5 to 7 Full Menu and build a burger. Queen 6:30. Music by Brian Lowe 6-8.
- Michael Hirst,** Singer/Guitarist Michael Hirst, live music, 11 am-2 pm near Good 'Ole Days Fishermen's Village 639-8721

- Punta Gorda Elks,** Hot & Cold lunch 11am-2pm; Hot food from outside grill 2-7pm; Karaoke with Wam 6:30-9:30pm @ 25538 Shore, PG 637-2606, mbrs & gsts
- Networking Lunch,** Kumo Japanese Steak House, Time: 11:30am-1pm, Phone: 239-985-0400, Cost:\$20/Members, \$25/Guest
- American Legion 103,** VET Appr Day 12p Sandwiches, 2101 Taylor Rd, 639-6337
- Cribbage,** Join us at the Cultural Center every Wednesday from 12:45-4pm in Centennial Hall for Cribbage. Call 6254175 for info.
- Scrabble,** Come join us for Scrabble every Wednesday from 1-4p for more info call 941-625-4175
- Food for the Soul,** Wed evenings. Bible study 4:30. Dinner 5:30.

- Activities for all ages 6-7:30. Gulf Cove UMC, 1100 McCall, PC. 697-1747
- Country Music@Amvets,** Brian Lowe! Fried Chicken snack \$5 FUN nite-Open to the Public. 5-9 pm. Amvets on Chancellor Blvd, NP 429-5403
- PC Kayakers,** Mtg every Weds 5pm Franz Ross Park Quesada Blvd PC to pick next paddling site. Paddle Sunday AM Free 941-627-1004
- FC 1stWed. Communion,** FC Pastor Garry holds Communion Srv @ 6pm @ church-corner of Parade & Rot. Blvd W.& lasts about 30 mins. 475-7447

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- Punta Gorda Elks,** Hot & Cold lunch 11am-2pm; Hot food from outside grill 2-7pm; Bingo 6:30-8:30pm @ 25538 Shore, PG, 637-2606, members & guests
- Warm Water Exercise,** Aquatic fitness classes, 3280 Tamiami Trail; STE 11; 12 & 1 pm; Tue & Thur; \$3/class, pay by month; info 575-2034
- P.G. Rotary Club,** Meets weekly at the Isle Yacht Club, 1780 W. Marion Avenue Punta Gorda, noon -1:00pm. FMI Frank Bell 239-340-1747.
- Walk N Dine Singles,** Singles Age 50+ meet 5:15 at Gazebo @ 100 Nesbit St PG or at Restaurant to Dine & Dance 941-244-8073 [www.walkndine.com](http://www.walkndine.com)
- Muttini Mingle,** Presented by Salty Paws, pet friendly, 5:30-8 pm, center stage, Fishermen's Village music by Michael Hirst. 639-8721
- Sons Of Italy-Pasta,** Pasta, Meatballs, Salad, Bread, Dessert, 6pm. \$7.50 Mbrs, \$8.50Gsts, 3725EassySt. Resv Req. 941-764-9003, BYOB

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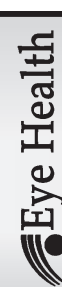
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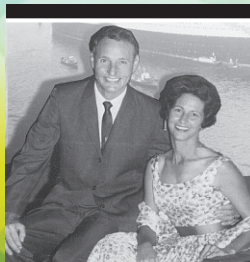
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# Case of the missing mangoes

By ADAM KREGER  
STAFF WRITER

PUNTA GORDA — On a vacant downtown lot at the corner of Cross Street and Virginia Avenue sits a massive mango tree — at least 25 feet high, with a massive trunk and vibrant green leaves.

But its mighty branches currently hold few mangoes.

The lot is owned by Charlotte County Commissioner Chris Constance, and he believes someone swiped hundreds of the juicy stone fruits from his tree last month. The Punta Gorda Police Department is investigating.

"This is not a common complaint around town," said Punta Gorda Police Chief Albert "Butch" Arenal.

Constance did not return calls Tuesday.

The commissioner contacted police in mid-July, and he told investigators he believed his tree held "300 to 400 full-sized mangoes ready for harvest," according to the PGPD report. Constance further stated the fruits typically sell for \$3 to \$5 each. Another mango tree nearby may have also been stripped of its fruit, authorities said.

The investigation was still open Tuesday, and

the report shows there would be an extra patrol near the trees.

"There will be no officers added," Arenal said. "We will just keep an eye on it since we have received a complaint."

However, those close to the situation think there may not have been a theft to complain about.

Lamar Higdon is a supervisor with Beautiful Boundaries Lawn & Landscaping. He oversees the program that mows about 2,500 vacant lots around Punta Gorda. He's familiar with the Constance property.

"I've had that lot for six years," Higdon said. "And I just don't think there

was fruit on that tree for anyone to steal."

Higdon is from Rotonda, and he owns a similar mango tree.

"I have one the same size — about 25 feet tall and 20 feet wide, with big, beautiful green leaves," he said. "Last year, we got 200 mangoes from it. This year, we got three. You'd think someone stole from it, too."

Higdon said this season appears to have been a fluke.

"Around town, I've seen a lot of trees that just didn't produce," he said.

The PGPD lists Higdon as one of the sources questioned by



SUN PHOTO BY ADAM KREGER

The Punta Gorda Police Department is investigating the reported theft of 400 mangoes from a tree on a downtown lot owned by Charlotte County Commissioner Chris Constance.

investigators. Should an arrest be made, the suspect would face a theft charge for

400 mangoes worth \$1,500, the report shows.

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# Report: Teen chokes girlfriend after sex refusal

EAST OF PUNTA GORDA — A 17-year-old was so upset his girlfriend wouldn't have sex with him, he choked her to the point that she blacked out, and then threatened to kill her with a knife, according to a Charlotte County Sheriff's report.

Casey Reynolds was with his girlfriend — who is the same age — Sunday night at his home, on the 5500 block of Wilson Drive, east of Punta Gorda. When Reynolds' girlfriend refused his desire to have sex with her, he put his hands around her neck and she lost consciousness, the report shows. Reynolds then allegedly dragged her across the carpet

## POLICE BEAT

The information for Police Beat is gathered from police, sheriff's office, Florida Highway Patrol, jail and fire records. Not every arrest leads to a conviction and guilt or innocence is determined by the court system.

and gave her rug burn.

When the victim came to, she left the home to walk to a friend's house. Before she got too far, Reynolds reportedly stole her wallet and cellphone. He then followed her to the friend's house, where he pulled out a knife and threatened to kill her and anyone in the house, authorities said. Reynolds then left.

The victim reported the crime to the CCSO the next day. When deputies went to Reynolds' home to arrest him later, they found a small bottle of peach liqueur

in his pocket.

Reynolds was turned over to the Department of Juvenile Justice. He is charged with felony battery, petty theft, aggravated assault with a deadly weapon and possession of alcohol by a person younger than 21.

### The Charlotte County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrests:

- Angela Marie Combs, 40, of Bradenton. Charges: nine counts of violation of probation (original charges: nine counts of burglary, and eight counts of grand theft). Bond: none.

• Christopher Ryan Cook, 32, of Sarasota. Charges: possession of a controlled substance without a prescription and possession of drug paraphernalia. Bond: none.

• Noah John Flessel, 33, 6400 block of Bikini Drive, Sarasota. Charge: violation of probation (original charge: battery). Bond: none.

• Edward Paul Garcia, 33, 200 block of Azalea Drive, Port Charlotte. Charges: driving with a suspended license — third or subsequent, and resisting an officer. Bond: none.

• Heather Danielle Hagen, 31, 4100 block of Collingswood Blvd., Port Charlotte. Charge: out-of-county warrant. Bond: \$3,000.

• Jarrod Richard Heath, 33, 4400 block of Melbourne St., Port Charlotte. Charge: violation of an injunction. Bond: none.

• Robert Brian Massey, 20, 11100 block of Palmerston Ave., Punta Gorda. Charge: violation of pretrial-release conditions.

Bond: none. • Cass Edward Mills, 36, 1400 block of Kenesaw St., Port Charlotte. Charge: violation of probation (original charges: possession of less than 20 grams of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia and violation of pretrial-release conditions. Bond: none.

• Alexander Ivan Rodriguez Dieppa, 34, 1300 block of W. Corktree Circle, Port Charlotte. Charges: two counts of possession of drug paraphernalia; and possession of less than 20 grams of marijuana. Bond: \$7,500.

• Joshua Robert Szalanczy, 18, 700 block of Hancock Ave., Sarasota. Charge: loitering. Bond: \$1,000.

• Martina Marie Tatarcyk, 52, 1600 block of Mourning Dove Lane, Englewood. Charge: violation of probation. Bond: \$5,000.

• Darby Bernard Walker, 61, of St. Petersburg. Charges: two counts of violation of probation (original charges: driving with a suspended

license and failure to appear). Bond: none.

### The Punta Gorda Police Department reported the following arrests:

• Nicholas Edward Jones, 25, 4400 block of Hennemann St., Port Charlotte. Charge: driving with a suspended license. Bond: \$1,000.

• Ricky Lee Thompson, 19, of Fort Myers. Charges: DUI, failure to register a motor vehicle, possession of less than 20 grams of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of alcohol by a person younger than 21. Bond: \$5,000.

• Leah Brianne Cleland, 16, of Bonita Springs. Charges: possession of a controlled substance without a prescription, possession of less than 20 grams of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of alcohol by a person younger than 21. She was released to a parent.

— Compiled by Adam Kreger

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## COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS

### Charlotte Idol competition returns

For those of you who missed out last year, the Charlotte Idol singing competition will return

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this year, with Audition Night set for 5:30 p.m. Friday in the theater of the Charlotte County Cultural Center, 2280 Aaron St., Port Charlotte. Auditions are free for performers, and everyone age 15 and older is eligible to compete. Spectator tickets are \$5. There will be a cash bar and snacks available for purchase. Twenty singers will make it to the second round to return on Finals Night.

Finals night will be held Aug. 22 at the Charlotte Harbor Event and Conference Center, 75 Taylor St., Punta Gorda.

VIP tickets for the finals are \$70, and include a Florida-style buffet dinner, special seating and preshow entertainment; doors will open at 5 p.m. for individuals with VIP tickets. General-admission tickets are \$20; doors will open at 6 p.m. for general-admission tickets. A cash bar and snacks will be available for purchase in the lobby.

Finals winners will receive \$1,000 for first place, \$500 for second place, and \$250 for third place. All proceeds from this event will benefit the Charlotte County Homeless Coalition's shelter-youth tutoring program.

Finals Night festivities will include highlight footage from auditions, and a chance raffle

auction. Returning celebrity judges will include Chris Porter, Kathleen Candales and Al Holland, as well as Mike Riley as the master of ceremonies. For audition and ticket information, call 941-627-4313, ext. 118; or email [Tina.figliuolo@cchomelesscoalition.org](mailto:Tina.figliuolo@cchomelesscoalition.org).

### Toys for Tots at car show

Toys for Tots will be on-site from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday at the Charlotte Classics & Cruisers Car Show, 1805 Tamiami Trail, Port Charlotte. Unwrapped toys or donations will be accepted graciously. For more information, call Carol Pickford, Toys for Tots coordinator, at 941-626-6215.

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**OBITUARIES**

**CHARLOTTE**

**Iris May Allwood**

Iris May Allwood, 81, of Port Charlotte, Fla., went to be with the Lord, Friday, Aug. 1, 2014, in Port Charlotte. Arrangements are by Charlotte Memorial Funeral Home, Cemetery and Crematory.

**Eric Anderson**

Eric Anderson, 85, of Port Charlotte, Fla., passed away Tuesday, July 29, 2014, at home, under the loving care of Tidewell Hospice, his wife Nancy, and family.

He was born in Memphis, Tenn. Eric had a long career in radio advertising sales and management in Memphis, New Orleans, La., and Florida. With his distinctive voice, Eric was easily recognized. He and Nancy were active in the Charlotte Recalls. Many in the area recall him as "St. Patrick" and "Santa Claus."

A Memorial Service is planned for 2 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 16, 2014, at Church of the Good Shepherd in Punta Gorda, Fla., followed by a reception at the church hall.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Tidewell Hospice at www.tidewellhospice.org. Please visit www.Legacy.com to sign the guestbook.

**Vera I. Bentz**

Vera I. Bentz, 98, of Port Charlotte, Fla., and formerly of Bellwood, Ill., went to be with the Lord, Sunday, Aug. 3, 2014, in Port Charlotte. Arrangements are by Charlotte Memorial Funeral Home, Cemetery and Crematory.

**Beryl M. Bernard**

The Rev. Beryl M. Bernard, 80, of Port Charlotte, Fla., died Sunday, Aug. 3, 2014. Arrangements are by Roberson Funeral Home, Port Charlotte Chapel.

**Sarah Kanter Dick**

Sarah Kanter Dick, 90, of Port Charlotte, Fla., Garden City, Mich., and Bayfield, Ontario, Canada, passed away peacefully Sunday, Aug. 3, 2014, after a year's battle with pancreatic cancer.

A lifelong educator and

an intrepid world traveler, Sarah brought her enthusiasm and knowledge of the world to her teaching at an American school in France, in the U.S. including all grades except kindergarten, as well as training teachers at Eastern Michigan University, and many years in Livonia, Mich., teaching social studies.

Sarah and her beloved husband of 66 years, Richard, traveled to over 150 countries in an era before popular global tourism. For 32 years they ran The Village Guild, a seasonal gift shop in Bayfield. A passionate champion for social justice, Sarah fought for racial equality in the '60s and, in recent years, for safer water in Florida.

A buoyant extrovert, Sarah will be missed by her devoted husband, Richard; many nieces and nephews; and countless friends.

A memorial service will be held in the fall.

Contributions, in lieu of flowers, can be made to Tidewell Hospice Inc., Philanthropy Department, 5955 Rand Blvd., Sarasota, FL 34238; or to the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Charlotte County, 1532 Forrest Nelson Blvd., Port Charlotte, FL 33952.

Arrangements are by National Cremation Society of Port Charlotte.

**Eulia T. Raby**

Eulia T. Raby, 89, of Port Charlotte, Fla., passed away Friday, Aug. 1, 2014, at her daughter's home in Port Charlotte.

Eulia was born Nov. 2, 1924,

to Edith Graham and Samuel Burke in Somerset, St. Thomas, Jamaica, West Indies.

She was a member of United Evangelical Missionary Outreach Church for over 25 years. Eulia was a retired Certified Nurse Assistant. She was a loving woman who will be missed dearly by all who loved and knew her.

Eulia is survived by her loving children, Dave (Undean) McLaughlin of Uniondale, N.Y., Sandra (Milton) Green of Laurelton, N.Y., Arlene (Avon) Bennett of Port Charlotte, and Steve (Julie) McLaughlin

of Baldwin, N.Y.; 14 grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; her sisters, Loretta Telfer of London, England, and Veta Douglas of Jamaica, N.Y.; and numerous nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her brothers, Calvin, Lawrence and Roy; and sisters, Mamzella, Eupersia, Veronica and Phyllis.

Visitation will be held from 9:30 a.m. until the Funeral at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 9, 2014, at United Evangelical Missionary Outreach, 4200 Juniper St., Port Charlotte. Interment will follow at Restlawn Memorial Gardens in Port Charlotte. Friends may visit online at www.robersonfh.com to sign the memory book and extend condolences to the family.

Arrangements are by Roberson Funeral Home, Port Charlotte Chapel.

**George Henry Smith Sr.**

George Henry Smith Sr., 82, of Punta Gorda, Fla., died Sunday,

Aug. 3, 2014, at home, surrounded by family and friends.

He was born Aug. 14,

1931, in Metcalfe County, Ky., and moved to Charlotte County, Fla., in 1960.

George was of the Baptist faith, and a U.S. Army veteran of the Korean War. George was retired from the construction business. He was a NASCAR fan who loved fishing and country music.

George is survived by his loving family, including a daughter, Hattie Davis of Live Oak, Fla.; four sons, George H. Smith Jr. of Punta Gorda, Roger E. (Tracy) Smith of Port Charlotte, Fla., Douglas R. Smith of Punta Gorda, and Luther W. Smith of Port Charlotte; sisters, Linda White, Margaret Louise Smith, Pearl Katherine Eichter and Carolyn Sue Frint, all of Bowling Green, Ky., and Jeanette England of Indianapolis, Ind.; a brother, Stanley Smith of Bowling Green; 22 grandchildren; and

38 great-grandchildren. He was preceded death by his loving wife, Ina Faye Smith, in 2005.

Visitation will be held from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 7, 2014, at Roberson Funeral Home, Punta Gorda Chapel. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, Aug. 8, 2014, at Roberson Funeral Home, Punta Gorda Chapel. The Rev. Frank Vargo will officiate. Interment with military honors by a U.S. Army Honor Guard and American Legion Post 110 of Port Charlotte will follow at Indian Spring Cemetery in Punta Gorda.

Friends may visit online at www.robersonfh.com to sign the memory book and extend condolences to the family.

Arrangements are by Roberson Funeral Home, Punta Gorda Chapel.

**David John Trucios**

David John Trucios passed away unexpectedly on Friday,

August 1st, 2014, at age 46. David grew up in Wantagh, New York and made Florida his permanent home in 2001.

David's precious son David John Jr. was his pride and joy. Their lives were intertwined with a love of basketball, fishing, 4-wheeling, and NASCAR. David Sr.'s beautiful smile was at its brightest when he was with his son, children of all ages including his nieces, Isabella and Ava and nephew Brandin, and his dogs Zoey and Cricket. David had a most wonderful sense of humor and instant wit. Even with a 6'2" frame, he was still just a giant kid within.

David is survived by his loving son David John Trucios, Jr., Ann Trucios, mother, Caesar Trucios, father, Karen Trucios, sister, Mark Trucios, brother, Maria (Cassano) Trucios, sister-in-law, Christina Trucios, mother to David Jr., and many other loving relatives and friends.

Memorial wake and Celebration of Life service will be Friday,

**Edna Jane Peeples**

Edna Jane Peeples, wife of Vernon Peeples, Sr., passed away on Sunday, August 3, 2014. She was the daughter of Edna Carolyn Kennell and Frederick Buchholtz. Born in Kearney, New Jersey on November 2, 1930, she lived in Caldwell and Lyndhurst, New Jersey. She moved to Punta Gorda in 1945 at age fifteen. Shortly thereafter she met Vernon Peeples, and they soon became high school sweethearts. They were married in August of 1951. They were to become the parents of three children, Carolyn, Jane and Vernon, Jr., and the grandparents of nine grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren.

Edna Jane graduated from Jackson Hospital School of Nursing in 1951. She worked for some time as a Registered Nurse and later served for many years as the Director of Volunteer Services at the community hospital in Punta Gorda. In addition to motherhood and nursing, she was devoted to service to her community and her church. Among her many contributions to the community, she was responsible for initiating the organization of the Girl Scout program in Charlotte County in 1958 and recently served on the Wotitzky Scholarship Committee of the Charlotte Community Foundation. She served in several capacities at the Church of the Good Shepherd including vestry member, Senior Warden, the President of the Episcopal Church Women of the Diocese of Southwest Florida, Delegate to several general conventions of the Episcopal Church, and forty years as the Director of Christian Education. She was widely admired for her ability to be a leader and efficient organizer while maintaining her soft spoken, unassuming manner.

Edna Jane provided invaluable support and encouragement throughout her husband Vernon's fourteen year tenure in the Florida House of Representatives. He particularly remembers fondly an occasion when an illness during his first campaign for office rendered him unable to keep a speaking engagement. Edna Jane stepped in to speak for him and did so with considerable poise and charm.

Edna Jane's passing is a great loss to her family and her many friends in her church and community. A memorial service will be held at the Church of the Good Shepherd on Thursday, August 7th at 10 a.m.

The family requests that in lieu of flowers, donations be made to the Punta Gorda Historical Center which is the future home of the Vernon and Edna Jane Peeples History Collection.

August 8th, 2014 at Kays-Ponger & Useton Funeral Homes, 2405 Harbor Blvd., Port Charlotte Chapel from 1:00-3:00 p.m. and 6:00-9:00 p.m. with services at 7:30 P.M.

In lieu of flowers, donations in David's memory may be made to, American Heart Association, 28441 Bonita Crossing Blvd. Bonita Springs, Florida 34135. Please visit the online tribute for David John Trucios at www.kays-ponger.com to sign the guest book and offer condolences to the family. Family has ask that you dress casual for visitation and services.

Arrangements by Kays-Ponger & Useton Funeral Home and Cremation Services, Port Charlotte Chapel.

**Lloyd K. Young**

Lloyd K. Young, 80, of Punta Gorda, Fla., passed away Sunday, Aug. 3, 2014. Arrangements are by National Cremation Society of Port Charlotte, Fla.

**ENGLEWOOD**

*There were no deaths reported in Englewood Tuesday.*

**NORTH PORT**

*There were no deaths reported in North Port Tuesday.*

**DESOTO**

*There were no deaths reported in DeSoto Tuesday.*

**COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS**

**Antique dealers at market**

The Farmers Market will play host to various antique dealers from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sunday at the History Park, 501 Shreve St., Punta Gorda. In addition to the regular vendors, antique dealers also will be on-site. For more information, call 941-380-6814.

**Outdoor flea market set**

The Punta Gorda Historical Society will hold an outdoor flea market from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Aug. 16 at the Historic Train Depot Antique & Collectibles Mall, 1009 Taylor Road, Punta Gorda. Reserve a table and sell your wares, or come and shop for treasures. The Museum and Antique Mall also will be open. For more information, call 941-639-6774.

**Shop for a Cause to benefit Relay**

Macy's will play host

to its ninth annual Shop for a Cause event Aug. 23. Savings passes are \$5 each, and will benefit individual Relay teams. When you shop Aug. 23, you will receive 25 percent off regular, sale and clearance merchandise, including designer brands. You also will receive 10 percent off electronics, furniture, mattresses and area rugs. And you will be eligible to win a \$500 gift card, with no purchase necessary. To obtain savings passes, email Matt Mason at m.yates.mason@gmail.com.

**Apply for teen court program**

The Charlotte County Teen Court Program will begin its 22nd year in 2014. Applications are available to interested students from area high schools, in grades nine through 12, in good academic standing. The first Teen Court session will be held Sept. 18. Interested students may call 941-833-5430 to pick up an application, or

visit www.ca.cjis20.org to download one — click on "Charlotte," then "Teen Court."

The deadline to submit applications is **Sept. 5.** If

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# CHRISTY

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and 1 p.m. Monday through Friday, and two tours offered on Saturdays at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Yuengling, America's oldest brewery, which started in 1829 in Pottsville, Pa., has three plants in the United States. Two are located in Pennsylvania, and the one in Tampa, which originally opened in 1958 by Schlitz. Later it became the brewery for Stroh's, Pabst, Stroh's again and then Yuengling in 1999.

Hospitality Manager Elizabeth Maroney provided a lot of information during a recent tour, which took about 45 minutes. The tour can last longer if there are a lot of questions, but apparently our group was more interested in getting back to the free beer.

Elizabeth will take guests around and explain how the beer is made, where the ingredients come from, etc.

Here are a few fun facts: The grains



These large silos once were painted like Schlitz cans.

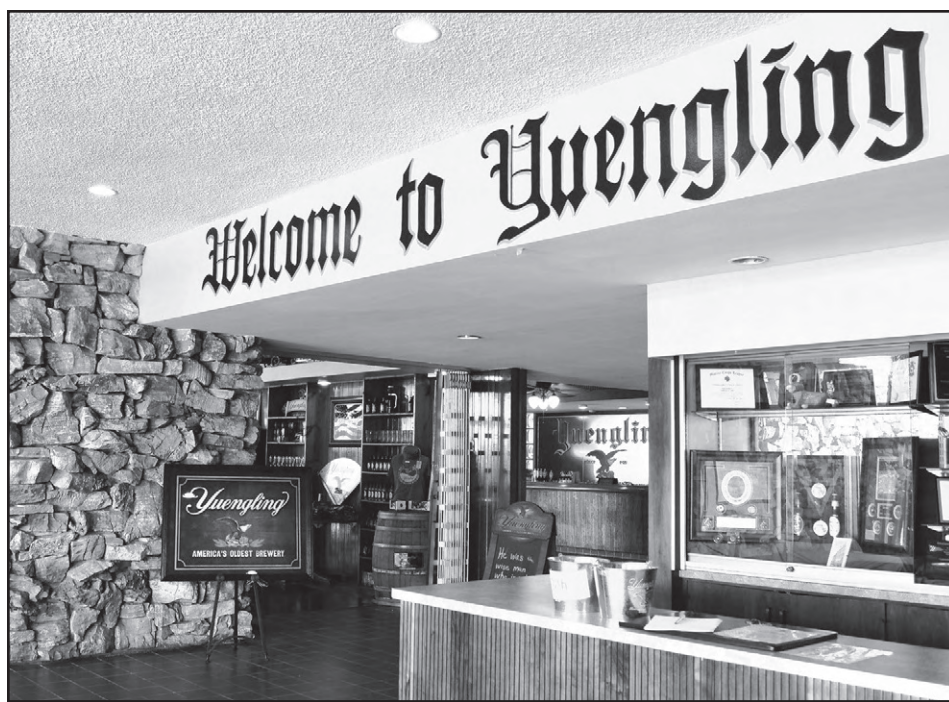


The left side of the complex is the newer and actively operating side of the Yuengling Brewery in Tampa. The right, older side, once made Stroh's and Schlitz beers.

originate in the Midwest and arrive via rail car. Yuengling's Oktoberfest beer contains barley from Germany. The Yuengling plant can fill up to 900 bottles a minute, though it generally operates at about 850 bottles a minute. That's

a lot of beer. The bottles also go through an X-ray machine, which can tell if the caps are properly applied and if the appropriate amount of liquid is in each bottle. And, beer freezes at 28 degrees.

The tour includes a trip into the lab, where



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Free tours are offered at the Yuengling Brewery in Tampa. Guests simply sign in at the front desk before enjoying the tour and free samples of beer.

the experienced chemists can provide a lot of detailed information that went right over my head — and no, it's not because I had already started drinking free beer. I have a bachelor of arts degree with an emphasis on arts, not science.

Yuengling has seven regular beers: Premium, Porter, Black & Tan, Lager, Light Lager, Chesterfield Ale and

Light. The company also offers seasonal beers such as Bock, Summer Wheat and Oktoberfest, which should begin arriving in stores soon.

There is a gift shop at the brewery, where attractive Yuengling T-shirts, hats and other souvenirs can be purchased.

A visit to Yuengling isn't an all-day adventure. I imagine they'd kick you out after a

while. Busch Gardens, Adventure Island and MOSI (Museum of Science and Industry) are all nearby and can be worked in with a trip to Yuengling for a free tour. And don't forget the free beer ... Mmm ... beer.

Christy Feinberg is a senior writer/columnist for the Sun newspapers. You can email her at cfeinberg@sun-herald.com.

# EDNA

FROM PAGE 1

numerous positions there, including vestry member and chairperson, senior warden, president of the Episcopal Church Women of the Diocese of Southwest Florida, a delegate to several general conventions and served four decades as the director of Christian education.

"Edna Jane was a rock steady, quiet woman," attorney Michael Haymans said. "I have known the family for years. She was a stabilizing influence with her family and in the community. She was very opinionated but would never hurt people



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An older shot of Edna Jane Peebles.

in public. You could see that twinkle in her eye sometimes when she had something on her mind. She was the old school mom and wife and a very classy lady."

Charlotte County appraiser Kathy Hindman Kartz said Peebles was a kind, soft-spoken person

who devoted her life to her family, her church and her community.

"Edna Jane stayed out of the limelight," Kartz said. "Although, she worked in ways that people never saw or knew about."

Vernon Peebles, who spent 14 years as a state representative, said his wife was never involved in his political career, but on one occasion she did assist him.

"I was running for public office and had a television appearance scheduled when I suddenly got sick," he said. "She stepped in for me, even though politics wasn't her thing. She did it because she loved me."

The Rev. Vincent Scotto, pastor of the

Church of the Good Shepherd for 25 years, described Peebles as his personal mentor and they remained close friends until her death.

"I would seek out her wisdom when I needed to talk to someone who had been in the community for a long time," he said. "She was a good supporter during my time in the ministry."

Scotto said Peebles was very involved with the creation of the first Girl Scout program in Charlotte County in 1958 and the first private kindergarten class at the church.

"She and Pastor James Hubbs were instrumental in starting the kindergarten," he said. "Later, when there were public

kindergartens, it became a pre-kindergarten program. It has continued to grow and today goes to the eighth grade."

As co-chairperson of the annual convention of the Episcopal Church, Scotto said he worked closely with Peebles to ensure the event was a success.

"I feel that I am a part of the Peebles family," Scotto said. "In some ways, Edna Jane was my second mother. I always remember her as a gentle person who truly cared for humanity. Those of us who knew her are better for it."

Vernon Peebles said his wife had health problems and was told years ago in New Jersey that she was not expected to live past

the age of 40.

"She told me, 'They are wrong, I will live the way I want,'" he said. "Even when she was sick, she went to work. She never complained. She said to me, 'If you can't wash the dishes, you can't lead.' She always led by example.

"It will be difficult to adjust, it will take me awhile," Vernon Peebles continued. "I knew her for nearly 70 years. It was a wonderful 70 years."

A memorial service is scheduled for 10 a.m. Thursday at the Church of the Good Shepherd. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Punta Gorda Historical Center, future home of the Vernon and Edna Peebles history collection.

# WATER

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Mary and Booth streets near Bayfront Hospital, appear to be working.

Since mid-February, crews from Quality Enterprise USA — the Naples-based contractor hired to do the drainage improvements — have been busy digging up and pulling out old drainage pipes in sections of the Historic District and Harborwalk East and replacing them with larger ones.

The \$1.4 million downtown flood-mitigation project, which is funded in large part by a grant from the Federal Emergency Management Agency, is a two-part project meant to stem flooding in older,

low-lying residential neighborhoods.

To be sure, there were areas that fared better than others but, said City Engineer Mark Gering, that had more to do with bad luck and timing than faulty infrastructure.

"(Durrance Street) had more water than it should have had on Sunday and that's because of the sandbags down in the pipes," Gering said. "(The contractor) has to pour a little more concrete in the bottom of those catch basins before the sandbags can come out. Then, everything will be 100 percent operational."

"They were scheduled to do that Monday but unfortunately we got the rain Sunday and it's been raining every day since," Gering added.

"So the sandbags are still there and there's a pump running now to keep everything flowing."

Much of the accumulated water hung around a stretch of West Marion Avenue between McGregor and Durrance streets, where two lanes of traffic were condensed into one, and a section of Taylor Street between Virginia Street and West Charlotte Avenue.

Cars slowed to a crawl as they neared rising pools of water, which dissipated as quickly as they appeared.

Though flooding seemed to be less of an issue this time around, Gering said a major storm event would really put the new system to the test.

"Everything in Punta Gorda is



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Motorists make their way through flooded streets in Punta Gorda on Tuesday.

tide-dependent," Gering said. "If we have a real high tide when we get a rain, it's much slower to go out. Low tide it's much

faster to go out. The rains we've had the last couple of days have been at low tide so I wouldn't say we put it to the test yet. But

I am confident that when we are put to the test, we'll see that it works."

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# FSWC

FROM PAGE 1

85 percent of ninth-graders passed the reading portion. Less than 65 percent of students passed at the state and local levels for each of those three categories.

Moreover, the FSWC students at various grade levels took end-of-course exams in three categories: algebra, biology and history. The passing rate for those exams was 89, 91 and 94 percent, respectively. The state and local passing rate for each was less than 70 percent.

"These are kids who want to be here," FSWC vice principal Matt Catanzarite said. "The

students come in with a certain level of seriousness about what they're doing. I think that makes the atmosphere very comfortable for everybody."

FSWC — formerly known as Edison Collegiate High School — opened its doors in 2009. The school affords students the opportunity to graduate from high school with their Associate of Arts degree, if they choose to take on a more rigorous workload.

One hundred new students are accepted into the freshman class each year. If more than 100 applications are received (which there always has been), a lottery is held to determine who gets in.

"It's truly random," Catanzarite said.

The students who get in aren't just lucky — they're smart; a higher percentage of FSWC students passed each of the three most recent end-of-course exams than a year ago.

"You can always improve," Catanzarite said. "But the bar has been set pretty high. The kids coming in know what's expected of them."

Last year's students improved in two out of the three FCAT categories. The only category to see a drop was 10th-grade reading, which slipped from 93 percent passing to 88 — still more than 30 percentage points higher than the state and local passing rates.

"It's a testament to their hard work and a fantastic staff," said

## PERCENTAGE OF STUDENTS PASSING 2014 FCAT

School/area	Reading (Ninth grade)	Reading (10th)	Writing (10th)
FSWC	85	88	91
Charlotte County	55	57	55
Florida	53	55	64

— Source: Florida Department of Education

## PERCENTAGE OF STUDENTS PASSING 2014 END-OF-COURSE EXAMS (ALL GRADES)

School/area	Algebra I	Biology	U.S. History
FSWC	89	91	94
Charlotte County	62	67	67
Florida	66	68	65

— Source: Florida Department of Education

Christy Gilfert, FSWC dean of Student Affairs and Academic Services for the Charlotte campus. "And it helps (in college).

If they set their expectations higher, we can get them there."

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# Bonwill cooks up food, fun, fame

By JOEL S. LANGHAM  
SUN INTERN

ENGLEWOOD — Linda Bonwill's cooking skills weren't acquired in a gourmet chef school.

Growing up in Connecticut in an Italian family, a love of the craft as a communal activity was instilled in her from a young age. She has memories of her grandmother rolling out pasta noodles and making cakes from scratch for sick family members. Sometimes ingredients were scarce, and the family had to make do with "extras" left over from other meals. Frugality and improvisation were essential to family meals. Her husband — also from an Italian family — has similar experiences. Now the Englewood couple own two businesses, including Bonwill's candy business, and she also gives lessons to local kids.

Those early childhood experiences with cooking in the home followed Bonwill as she raised four children of her own. She read labels on grocery items and tried to stick to wholesome homemade dishes when possible. In the fall, she bought pumpkins with her kids and they made pies together. In her words, she was always "teaching them the value of good food."

She jokes that her son Michael once asked her to buy a cake for him at the store, only for her to

return home with a cake mix he'd have to use to make it. Bonwill insisted that all her children, even those who didn't share her passion for cooking, "at least learn how to follow a recipe."

Learning the value of self-sufficiency and how to thrive as an adult continues with her grandchildren, who get an opportunity to switch off social media and engage in memory-making. When Bonwill entered a competition through the online recipe club, Just A Pinch, her primary motive was fun. But she won grand prizes, and she credits the money she earned from that competition with providing the funding necessary to compete in the 2012 World Food Championships.

Her mindset upon entering the Championships was "to soak it all in, observe and come back with some knowledge," to continue to learn the craft with passion.

Her initial entry for her category — a potato salad that includes bacon, avocado, blue cheese and tomatoes — won her the highest score among the top 10 side dishes. Her broccoli cheese soup, which included a roasted cauliflower garnish and a sweet chili sauce topping, won the final round, and Bonwill believes that it was her innovative use of the required food sponsor

product, Philadelphia Cream Cheese, and a related sponsor product, Kraft Velveeta Cheese, that impressed the judges. She was awarded \$10,000.

Bonwill has already qualified to re-enter the Championships held this fall, but she is still looking for sponsors.

Even as she continues to participate in worldwide culinary competitions, Bonwill prioritizes giving back to Englewood, which she describes as a "tight-knit" community. In addition to her work with the Big Brothers Big Sisters Foundation, she shares her talent with local kids through cooking lessons, including candy making. But even in these lessons, as in her own personal experiences, cooking can express life values.

"I try to make it educational," she says. "I say, look kids, the table's a mess! What would

happen if I put these clean boxes down?"

Bonwill makes sure to keep the kids involved and to engage their minds with skills for good living.

Her culinary advice is to keep it simple, using only a "handful of ingredients" that will stand out when tasted.

"I consider the basic homeowner," she says. And while Bonwill agrees that creativity certainly counts in a competition, she doesn't think judges expect or want anything fancy or complicated. Taking a cue from her humble beginnings in the craft at her grandmother's table, Bonwill believes that she won in 2012 because "I kept it real. I kept it me."

To be a sponsor, call Bonwill at 941-445-7343, visit her blog, [www.worldclasscooking.blogspot.com](http://www.worldclasscooking.blogspot.com), or log on to <http://lindaschocolate.com>.



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Linda Bonwill works with Vineland Elementary School first-graders, sharing recipes and demonstrating basic techniques.

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CCIL has provided more than 13,000 free books to preschool children in Charlotte County since January 2012. To register a child online, visit [www.usa.imaginationlibrary.com](http://www.usa.imaginationlibrary.com). Consider supporting a child in this program for a year for a mere \$25, or for five years for \$125.

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NOTICE OF ACTION 3116

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR CHARLOTTE COUNTY CIVIL DIVISION

Case Number: 14-1274-CA Division: A & R SUN COAST PROPERTY, LLC, A Florida Limited Liability Company, Plaintiff,

JEFFREY A. BOWSER, SUSAN A. BOWSER, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, ADMINISTRATOR OF THE SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION and FIFTH THIRD MORTGAGE COMPANY, Defendants.

NOTICE OF ACTION TO: JEFFREY A. BOWSER and SUSAN A. BOWSER (Address Unknown)

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action to quiet title to the following described real property in Charlotte County, Florida:

Lot 23, Block 185, UNIT NO. 9, TROPICAL GULF ACRES, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 4, Pages 63-A through 63-F, inclusive, Public Records of Charlotte County, Florida.

Property Address: 27354 Aloha Dr., Punta Gorda, FL 33955

has been filed against you, and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Adam J. Knight, Esq., attorney for Plaintiff, whose address is 601 S. Fremont Avenue, Tampa, Florida 33606 on or before 30 days from the first date of publication and to file the original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

The action was instituted in the Twentieth Judicial Court for Charlotte County in the State of Florida and is styled as follows: A & R SUN COAST PROPERTY, LLC, A Florida Limited Liability Company, Plaintiff, v. JEFFREY A. BOWSER, SUSAN A. BOWSER, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, ADMINISTRATOR OF THE SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION and FIFTH THIRD MORTGAGE COMPANY, Defendant (s).

DATED on July 14, 2014. Clerk of the Court By: C.L.G. As Deputy Clerk Publish: 07/23/14, 07/30/14, 08/06/14, 08/13/14 249047 3066203

NOTICE TO CREDITORS 3120

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR Charlotte County, Florida PROBATE DIVISION IN RE: ESTATE OF Elaine S. Smith Deceased. File No.1400117CP Division Probate

NOTICE TO CREDITORS The administration of the estate of Elaine S. Smith, deceased, whose date of death was June 15th, 2014, is pending in the Circuit Court for Charlotte County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is Charlotte County Justice Center 350 E. Marion Avenue., Punta Gorda, FL 33950. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court ON OR BEFORE THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS 3120

this notice is July 30, 2014. Personal Representative: Stephen L. Smith 14188 Swift Lane Lakeside, MI 49116 Fiduciary Trust International of the South 200 South Biscayne Blvd., Suite 3050 Miami, Florida 33131 SATTERLEE STEPHENS BURKE & BURKE Attorneys for Personal Representative 230 PARK AVENUE SUITE 1130 NEW YORK, NY 10169-0079 Florida Bar No. 0275611 Publish: 7/30/14 and 8/6/14 372440 3069059

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CHARLOTTE COUNTY, FLORIDA IN RE: ESTATE OF CLINTON W. McVICKER, Deceased. PROBATE DIVISION File No. 14-1187-CP Division

NOTICE TO CREDITORS The administration of the estate of Clinton W. McVicker, deceased, whose date of death was May 28th, 2014, is pending in the Circuit Court for Charlotte County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 350 East Marion Avenue, Punta Gorda, FL 33950. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court ON OR BEFORE THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

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The date of first publication of this notice is August 6th, 2014. W. KEVIN RUSSELL, Esq. W. KEVIN RUSSELL, P.A. Attorneys for Personal Representative 14295 SOUTH TAMiami TRAIL NORTH PORT, FL 34287 Florida Bar No. 398462 Personal Representative: Crystal Lee Gonzalez 18276 Morrison Ave. Port Charlotte, FL 33952 Publish: August 6 and 13, 2014 279415 3071733

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE 3122

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CHARLOTTE COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO.: 10004443CA DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE FOR AMERIQUEST MORTGAGE SECURITIES INC., ASSET-BACKED PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2005-R7, Plaintiff, vs. JACOB J WALKER; ANNETTE R WALKER; ET. AL., Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that sale will be made pursuant to an Order or Final Summary Judgment. Final Judgment was awarded on January 15, 2013 in Civil Case No. 10004443CA, of the Circuit Court of the Twentieth Judicial Circuit in and for CHARLOTTE County, Florida, wherein DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY is the Plaintiff, and JACOB J WALKER; ANNETTE R WALKER; AND UNKNOWN TENANT(S) IN POSSESSION are Defendants.

The clerk of the court will sell to the highest bidder for cash online at www.charlotte.realforeclose.com at 11:00 a.m. on August 27, 2014 the following described real property as set forth in said Final Summary Judgment, to wit: LOT 12, BLOCK 2785, PORT CHARLOTTE SUBDIVISION, SECTION 33, A SUBDIVISION ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 5, PAGES 35A THRU 35F, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CHARLOTTE COUNTY, FLORIDA.

ANY PERSON CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN THE SURPLUS FROM THE SALE, IF ANY, OTHER THAN THE PROPERTY OWNER AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS MUST FILE A CLAIM WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER THE SALE. WITNESS my hand and the seal of the court on July 25, 2014. CLERK OF THE COURT Barbara T. Scott /s/ K. Sandrock Deputy Clerk

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NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE 3122

of certain assistance. Please contact Jon Embury, Administrative Services Manager, whose office is located at 350 E. Marion Avenue, Punta Gorda, Florida 33950, and whose telephone number is (941) 637-2110, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711. Publish: August 6 and 13, 2014 334261 3071710

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CHARLOTTE COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL ACTION

Case No.: 11-2841-CA CHARLOTTE STATE BANK & TRUST f/k/a CHARLOTTE STATE BANK, a state banking corporation, Plaintiff,

vs. LAURIE SHEBS, individually; LAURIE SHEBS, as Personal Representative of the ESTATE OF RICHARD D. SHEBS, deceased; LAURIE SHEBS, as Trustee of the SHEBS FAMILY TRUST dated February 28, 2008; ERICA SHEBS; KYLER SHEBS; ALEC SHEBS; ALL UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES, CREDITORS OR OTHER PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST RICHARD D. SHEBS, deceased; ALL UNKNOWN BENEFICIARIES AND TRUSTEES OF THE SHEBS FAMILY TRUST dated February 28, 2008; the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA; and the STATE OF FLORIDA, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment dated May 20, 2014, and entered in Civil Action Number 11-2841-CA in the Circuit Court of the Twentieth Judicial Circuit in and for Charlotte County, Florida, wherein CHARLOTTE STATE BANK & TRUST f/k/a CHARLOTTE STATE BANK is the Plaintiff and LAURIE SHEBS ET. AL. are the Defendants.

I WILL SELL to the highest bidder for cash beginning at 11:00 a.m. on August 20, 2014 at www.charlotte.realforeclose.com in accordance with Chapter 45 Florida Statutes the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit: Lot 8, Block 58, PUNTA GORDA ISLES, SECTION 6 according to the plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 7, Pages 7A through 7E, inclusive, of the Public Records of Charlotte County, Florida.

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale. Dated June 17, 2014. Barbara T. Scott, Clerk of Court By: K. Sandrock Deputy Clerk Publish: 7/30/14 and 8/6/14 114849 3069162

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 20TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CHARLOTTE COUNTY, FLORIDA. CASE No. 08-2012-CA-001322 GMAC MORTGAGE LLC, SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO GMAC CORPORATION, Plaintiff, vs. RICHARD M. ODOM AS PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ESTATE OF SHEILA S ODOM, et al., Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order or Final Judgment entered in Case No. 08-2012-CA-001322 of the Circuit Court of the 20TH Judicial Circuit in and for CHARLOTTE County, Florida, wherein, GREEN TREE SERVICING LLC, Plaintiff, and, RICHARD M. ODOM AS PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ESTATE OF SHEILA S ODOM, et al., are Defendants, I will sell to the highest bidder for cash at, www.charlotte.realforeclose.com. in accordance with Chapter 45 Florida Statutes, at the hour of 11:00 AM, on the 18th day of August, 2014, the following described property:

LOTS 18, 19 AND 20, BLOCK 1140, PORT CHARLOTTE SUBDIVISION. SECTION 30, A SUBDIVISION ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 5, PAGES 23A THRU 23F OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CHARLOTTE COUNTY, FLORIDA. Property Address: 16461 Chicopee Street, Port Charlotte, FL 33954 Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the Lis Pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale.

DATED this 1 day of May, 2014. BARBARA T. SCOTT Clerk Circuit Court By: K. Sandrock Deputy Clerk

IMPORTANT if you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact The Clerk of the Court's disability coordinator at 18500 MURDOCK CIRCLE, PORT CHAR-

LOTTE, FL 33948, 941-743-1944, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711. Publish: 7/30/14 and 8/6/14 146548 3069099

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE 3122

IN THE TWENTIETH CIRCUIT COURT FOR CHARLOTTE COUNTY, FLORIDA. CIVIL DIVISION CASE NO. 082012CA002276XXXXXX BAYVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC, Plaintiff,

vs. DANA JAMIESON; UNKNOWN TENANT NO. 1; UNKNOWN TENANT NO. 2 and ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING INTERESTS BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST A NAMED DEFENDANT TO THIS ACTION, OR HAVING OR CLAIMING TO HAVE ANY RIGHT, TITLE OR INTEREST IN THE PROPERTY HEREIN DESCRIBED, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order or Summary Final Judgment of foreclosure dated May 23, 2014, and entered in Case No. 082012ca002276XXXXXX of the Circuit Court in and for Charlotte County, Florida, wherein BAYVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC is plaintiff and DANA JAMIESON; UNKNOWN TENANT NO. 1; UNKNOWN TENANT NO. 2; and ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING INTERESTS BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST A NAMED DEFENDANT TO THIS ACTION, OR HAVING OR CLAIMING TO HAVE ANY RIGHT, TITLE OR INTEREST IN THE PROPERTY HEREIN DESCRIBED, are Defendants, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash website of www.charlotte.realforeclose.com, 11:00 a.m. on the 25 of August 2014, the following described property as set forth in said Order or Final Judgment, to-wit:

LOT NO. 3 OF THE CRYSTAL LAKE TRAILER PARK SUBDIVISION, WHICH IS LYING WITHIN AND, IS A PART OF LOT NO. 10 OF COVEY'S CORNUCOPIA ADDITION TO PINEAPPLE CENTER IN SECTION 4, TOWNSHIP 41S, RANGE 23E, OF CHARLOTTE COUNTY, FLORIDA AND DULY RECORDED IN THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CHARLOTTE COUNTY, AND DESCRIBED MORE PARTICULARLY AS FOLLOWS: STARTING AT A CONCRETE POST, WHICH MARKS THE S.E. CORNER OF LOT NO. 11, OF CONVEY'S CORNUCOPIA ADDITION TO PINEAPPLE CENTER IN SECTION 4, TOWNSHIP 41S, RANGE 23E, OF CHARLOTTE COUNTY, FLORIDA AND DULY RECORDED IN THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CHARLOTTE COUNTY, AND DESCRIBED MORE PARTICULARLY AS FOLLOWS: STARTING AT A CONCRETE POST, WHICH MARKS THE S.E. CORNER OF LOT NO. 11, OF CONVEY'S CORNUCOPIA ADDITION TO PINEAPPLE CENTER IN SECTION 4, TOWNSHIP 41S, RANGE 23E, OF CHARLOTTE COUNTY, FLORIDA AND DULY RECORDED IN THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CHARLOTTE COUNTY, AND DESCRIBED MORE PARTICULARLY AS FOLLOWS: STARTING AT A CONCRETE POST, WHICH MARKS THE S.E. 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# New teachers, Leadership highlights of month

Thanks to our members who are taking a new teacher to breakfast tomorrow at the New Teachers' Breakfast. The welcome bags the teachers will receive are full of some really cool items, including homemade cookies, an ice pack, cups, pens, notepads and, of course, our Chamber Business Directory. I may have to sneak a bag into my car if we have no-shows.



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Julie Mathis

Networking at Noon is Aug. 13 at Charlotte Harbor Healthcare, 4000 Kings Highway, Port Charlotte. Register online or by calling the office at 941-627-2222. Bring plenty of business cards to hand out and practice your elevator speech.

Please join us for lunch Aug. 14 at the Charlotte Harbor Yacht Club, to say thank you to the Leadership Charlotte Hall of Fame nominees for all they do in the community.

The nominees are: Bob Armstrong (class of 1992), a retired American Express financial adviser; Bill Dryburgh (1999), Coldwell Banker Morris

Realty; Judy Malbuisson (1998), recently retired from the Arts & Humanities Council of Charlotte County; Sue Sifrit (1993), a retired member of the Charlotte County School Board; Ron Thomas (1991), owner of Harborwalk Scoops & Bites; and Steve Vito (2004), SunTrust Bank.

The Aug. 20 Third Wednesday Coffee is being sponsored by State Insurance Agency, Brian Chapman Jr.

Leadership Charlotte alumni will begin planning the days for the Leadership Charlotte class of 2015 at 4 p.m. Aug. 27 in the Port Charlotte office. If you'd like to help sponsor and/or plan a day, please let me know.

The Business Card Exchange on Aug. 28

will be held at Fawcett Memorial Hospital's H2U building in the Promenades Mall, behind Winn-Dixie. Please join us for great networking.

My family gathered this past weekend in Binghamton, N.Y., to bury my parents, who died within six months of each other. They would have celebrated their 63rd anniversary two days ago. Following their example in life, we laughed, cried, told great stories, sang, danced and partied a bit. One of my sisters spoke about how they taught their five daughters to "lean in," before the term was popular. We all graduated from college and have successful careers. We know football, thanks to dad; how to be patient raising daughters, thanks to mom; and the importance of family, thanks to both of them.

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## COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS

### Fire-safety dinner fundraiser

Punta Gorda Fire Chief Ray Briggs and the Punta Gorda Fire Department, along with Opus restaurant, will play host to a Fire House Dinner from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday at Opus, 201 W. Marion Ave. (corner of West Marion Avenue and Sullivan Street), Punta Gorda, to raise funds for educational materials needed to teach Charlotte County schoolchildren about fire safety and burn prevention. The event will feature a meet-and-greet with local fire-fighters, entertainment, gourmet hamburgers, grilled chicken and sausages, and all the fixings.

Tickets are \$38 per person; they are non-refundable. All contributions are tax-deductible. Tickets are available at the Punta Gorda Chamber of Commerce at 941-639-3720; or from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Opus.

### Local grant available

A local grant now is available for low-income female veterans with school-age children residing in Charlotte County. Based on eligibility, a back-to-school grant and/or work-readiness and household goods assistance may be available. You must be able to provide proof of service (DD 214 or VA health care card, military ID) and income verification.

For more information about eligibility, call the Charlotte County Veteran Services Office at 941-764-5579.

### Veterans offered employment help

Representatives from Charlotte County's Society for Human Resources Management will offer employment assistance to veterans from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday at the Military Heritage Museum's

conference center, 1200 W. Retta Esplanade (at Fishermen's Village), Punta Gorda. Representatives will provide assistance in writing resumes, interviewing techniques and other hiring considerations. This is a free service. For more information, call 941-575-9002.

### Visani partners with Relay for Life

Visani Comedy Club, 2400 Kings Highway, Port Charlotte, will hold a Giveback Night event at 8 p.m. Thursday. Relay for Life teams will receive credit for their team when they purchase tickets to this event. Tickets are \$10 per person. To purchase tickets, call Virginia at the American Cancer Society at 239-936-1113.

### Purple Heart recipients honored

The Military Heritage Museum, 1200 W. Retta Esplanade (at Fishermen's Village),

Punta Gorda, will hold a reception from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Thursday, in recognition of Purple Heart Day. The Purple Heart is awarded to members of the U.S. armed forces who were wounded in combat by an instrument of the enemy. The museum will honor those who have received a Purple Heart. The event is free and open to the public. For more information, call Kim Lovejoy at 941-575-9002.

### PCHS to hold band camp

The Port Charlotte High School Band will begin its Pre-School Marching Band Camp from 1 p.m. to 8 p.m. today at the school, 18200 Cochran Blvd. For the times and dates of additional band camp sessions, visit [www.prideofpc.com](http://www.prideofpc.com). The camp is open to students who are interested in joining the band or the color guard. For questions about what to bring to camp, call 941-626-7631.

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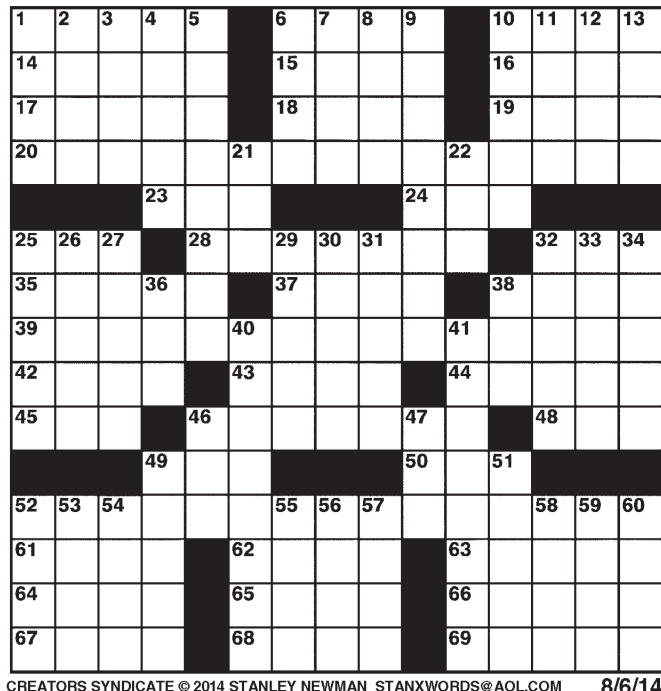
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## Newsday Crossword

**GOOD NEWS** by Billie Truitt  
Edited by Stanley Newman  
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Dutch Caribbean island
  - 6 Envelope part
  - 10 Pack (down)
  - 14 Enthusiastic about
  - 15 Capital of Peru
  - 16 "Understood"
  - 17 Razzle-dazzle
  - 18 Sign of the future
  - 19 Top-notch
  - 20 "What good news!"
  - 23 Datebook abbr.
  - 24 Pitcher's stat.
  - 25 Crunchy sandwich, for short
  - 28 Final chess-match phase
  - 32 What kernels surround
  - 35 Working hen
  - 37 Car from Bavaria
  - 38 Actress Delany
  - 39 "What good news!"
  - 42 Loafer, for instance
  - 43 One aspirin, perhaps
  - 44 Spine-tingling
  - 45 Hamilton's bill
  - 46 WWII leader Churchill
  - 48 Go wrong
  - 49 Coffee holder
  - 50 Meds-monitoring agcy.
  - 52 "What good news!"
  - 61 Competitive side
  - 62 One-in-a-million
  - 63 Roaring beasts
  - 64 Lake bordering Cleveland
- DOWN**
- 1 Help in a heist
  - 2 Rolling in dough
  - 3 Jamaican citrus fruit
  - 4 Toot your own horn
  - 5 Uncourageous protagonist
  - 6 Pour forth
  - 7 VIP's wheels
  - 8 Solemn agreement
  - 9 Existing everywhere
  - 10 Small crown
  - 11 Beginning on
  - 12 Course list
  - 13 Cover of an orange
  - 21 Closest star
  - 22 Poetic preposition
  - 25 Second tier of actors
  - 26 Wood-shop tool
  - 27 Host of the new *Cosmos*
  - 29 "Mack the Knife" singer
  - 30 Beach fliers
  - 31 Mature
  - 32 Work force
  - 33 Radio studio sign
  - 34 Aspirin giant
  - 36 Needle feature
  - 38 Coloring agent
  - 40 Very angry
  - 41 Companions for Barbies
  - 46 Crib cry
  - 47 Not quite right
  - 49 Halley's discovery
  - 51 Computer font
  - 52 Newspaper piece
  - 53 Nothing but
  - 54 Leave port
  - 55 Bear seen by Goldilocks
  - 56 Beseech
  - 57 Thumbs-up votes
  - 58 *Star Wars* series sage
  - 59 Nothing but
  - 60 Applications



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Look for a third crossword in the Sun Classified section.

Answer to previous puzzle

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## Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Lewis

- ACROSS**
- 1 Cropped up
  - 6 "Dark Chords on a Big Guitar" folksinger
  - 10 Alpine transport
  - 14 Tester of Job's faith
  - 15 Uma's role in "The Producers"
  - 16 Spa amenity
  - 17 Agreements from the pews
  - 18 Isl. of Australia
  - 19 Class struggle?
  - 20 Car that replaced the Marquis
  - 23 Approves, in a way
  - 24 Like a lummoX
  - 28 Six-legged scurrier
  - 29 Moderately slow, in music
  - 30 Bit of work
  - 33 1981 Moody Blues hit
  - 36 Irritate but good
  - 38 Guggenheim display
  - 39 Carpal or tarsal starter
  - 40 Rocky Balboa foe who became his friend
  - 45 Animal house
  - 46 Boardwalk locale
  - 47 Roy G. : rainbow mnemonic
  - 49 Thing
  - 50 Brown and Green, e.g.
  - 55 What 20-, 33- and 40-Across begin with
  - 57 One for the road
  - 60 Solo, in a way
  - 61 "Middlemarch" novelist
  - 62 Industry big shot
  - 63 Fish-eating flier
  - 64 -car
  - 65 Where the River Liffey flows
  - 66 Shaggy Tibetans
  - 67 Herd member
- DOWN**
- 3 Cheri of comedy havens
  - 4 Inviolable
  - 5 Sequentially following
  - 6 Rubber used in inner tubes
  - 7 "There was \_\_, they ca'd her Meg": Burns
  - 8 Movie lioness
  - 9 Big name on the ice
  - 10 Pre-Christmas destination for many
  - 11 Jack's hiding place
  - 12 Court org.
  - 13 "Man on the Moon" band
  - 21 Give stars to
  - 22 Cheryl of "Charlie's Angels"
  - 25 " \_\_ a drink!"
  - 26 52-Down, for one
  - 27 Macho dude
  - 29 Pre-deal payment
  - 30 Take off the DVR
  - 31 Go from green to red, perhaps

By Jeff Stillman

8/6/14

### Tuesday's Puzzle Solved

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- 32 Rub it in
- 34 Nutmeg spice
- 35 Like some vbs.
- 37 "Hamlet" castle
- 41 "Kiss Me Deadly" rocker
- 42 Homeric journey
- 43 River through Spain
- 44 Round-trippers
- 48 Shakespearean attendant
- 50 Hit the bottom of
- 51 Hard-to-ignore impulses
- 52 Kennebunkport locale
- 53 Chew the scenery
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## OUR VIEW

### Lee Swift for School Board

In the Aug. 26 primary election for the District 1 seat on the Charlotte County School Board, incumbent Lee Swift faces challenger Anthony Verdin. School board seats are nonpartisan and the election is open to all registered voters.

An Army veteran who moved to Charlotte County last year, Verdin is making his first run for public office, which is evident in his handling of the campaign. The Sun's editorial board was unable to schedule a meeting with the candidate and he has failed to return a questionnaire sent to all candidates. Verdin has attended some candidate forums, telling attendees he is running to bring attention to the quality of special needs education in the district. His Facebook page contains a blunt clue about his position on the Common Core State Standards, with one graphic reading Common Sense Not Common Core. But Florida is no longer part of Common Core and has hired a Utah company to devise tests for a new Florida State Standards, so the slogan is both trite and moot.

Swift was first elected to the school board in 1994. The retired Realtor has served a chairman of the school board and president of the Florida School Boards Association. Swift is one of only six school board members in the state to have received the association's Advanced Boarshmanship Certification. This year he was elected vice chairman of the Florida High School Athletic Association Representative Assembly.

Swift has been a fierce opponent of serial reform. He said high stakes testing, such as the failed Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test, are design "to ensure the maximum number of schools are failing." He said proponents of taxpayer-funded charter schools and state-subsidized private schools use the flawed results to make the case for school choice initiatives.

We have been outspoken in our criticism of recent drops in student test scores and the district's falling grade from the state board of education. For example, the percentage of ninth-graders passing the FCAT 2.0 dropped from 60 percent in 2011 to 55 percent in 2014. There was a 5 percentage point drop in the pass rates for 3rd- to 5th-graders taking the reading FCAT 2.0 test in 2014. The district, once rated an A, has received a C grade the past two years and its ranking for math test scores dropped from 9th in the state in 2006 to 39th in 2013.

Swift was on the board when the district enjoyed better academic days, including a two-year run in 2009 and 2010 when the district ranked first in the percentage of students passing Advance Placement tests. The district enjoyed an A grade for eight straight years from 2004 to 2011. Nobody, even Swift, believes any one person can claim credit for the past success or blame for the current setbacks. But as an elected official accountable to voters, Swift knows something has to change.

School performance has impacts far beyond the success of individual students. Employers count on quality schools to attract talented employees, who always ask about the county's schools. Businesses look at schools when making decisions about relocating and/or expanding operations. We simple can't ignore the recent trend.

We think Swift gets it. We know he doesn't accept the grade slippage. We trust he will part a big part of the solution.

**The Sun recommends Lee Swift for the District 1 seat on the Charlotte County School Board.**



## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Election letters deadline Aug. 19

Editor's note: We will be accepting letters related to the Aug. 26 primary election until 5 p.m. Aug. 19.

### Porous borders bring disease too

Editor:

We face a new moral dilemma that will have the potential to put our children and grandchildren in extreme danger.

On one hand we are accepting into our country children and young adults who have no medical records, no proof of immunization and who undergo medical screening only after they are within our borders. On the other hand, we have two medical aid workers known to be infected with Ebola, for which there is no known cure, seeking to come home to the United States.

What will we do? I'm glad I don't have to make that call.

We do need to have the conversation. There is too much riding on how we handle the danger of deadly and highly contagious diseases and on our policy of screening people. We owe it to our children to do our best to protect them.

The reality is porous borders make it easier for diseases to sneak through.

**Arnold Avery**  
Englewood

### Today's 'terrorist,' tomorrow's statesman?

Editor:

It is sickening to watch the never-ending justification for the slaughter in Gaza, as the "blame the victim" game plays out on TV.

The question posed repeatedly is, "What would America do if Canada or Mexico lobbed hundreds of rockets at her major cities?" Not a single interviewer from our corporate media is able to respond with the obvious, "but we are not occupying Canada or Mexico, are we?"

Every one of our craven politicians knows that to even mildly criticize Israel would be instant political suicide.

"Terrorist" is a much over-used word. I am not a fan of Hamas, but everyone seems to forget that Hamas was

democratically elected by the Palestinian people (who were tired of the corrupt Fatah), in an internationally monitored election. The U.S. and Israel did not like the outcome and promptly attempted to unseat them. Hamas was given neither the opportunity to govern, nor, more importantly, the opportunity to fail.

Who is a "terrorist?" Menachem Begin and Shimon Peres were leaders of the Irgun and Stern gangs — considered Jewish "terrorist" organizations by the British — but they morphed into statesmen for their country. Gerry Adams of the Irish Republican Army was Britain's Public Enemy Number One, but no longer.

Jomo Kenyatta, of the Mau Mau, was feared as a "terrorist" by the British, but after independence became Kenya's leader.

The South African government's greatest "terrorist" was, of course, Nelson Mandela. Just saying it doesn't necessarily make it so.

**Sushila Cherian**  
Punta Gorda

### Charlotte County recovered from storm

Editor:

Aug. 13, 2004, had meteorologists tracking hurricane Charley as it raced north to Tampa. They warned winds would skirt the Charlotte County coast but nature has a mind of its own.

The hot summer and warm waters of Charlotte Harbor were a natural attraction for a hurricane. The winds escalated and a category four storm with winds at 145 mph and gusts up to 175 mph turned directly into Charlotte Harbor.

The full force of the storm pounded Charlotte Harbor, Port Charlotte, Punta Gorda and Deep Creek, leaving widespread destruction in its wake before heading to DeSoto County and Orlando. The wind ripped off roofs, tossing them through windows and pool cages while fiercely uprooting trees, downing electric lines and trashing boats. Some homes were totally destroyed, while schools and hospitals experienced severe damage.

Port Charlotte had suffered a direct hit. FEMA and the Red Cross were quickly activated. They provided meals, water, generators and those famous blue roof tarps. Our homes were blue for a long time.

Residents were quick to help neighbors clean up the mess and build a better community. Rebuilding took many

years, but today, Charlotte County is once again the beautiful waterfront community that calls to northerners across America. Charlotte County is a great place to live, work and to retire.

Well done, Charlotte County!

**Joan Fischer**  
Port Charlotte

### Why no 30-day pass to Springs?

Editor:

My name is Joan Herron San Lwin and I am an addict in regards to Warm Mineral Springs.

In fact, the day after the springs reopened via the short-term management agreement that ends on Aug. 31, my picture was in a local newspaper, because the previous day I was at the springs one hour early, to ensure that I was the first one in the water.

Because I go to the springs as often as possible, I had been purchasing the monthly passes.

Today, when I went to purchase what I knew would be my last monthly pass, imagine my surprise when I was informed the management contract, issued by the city and county, states that no monthly passes are to be sold after July 31.

For understandable reasons, the monthly passes were in fact a 30-day pass.

I do not believe any reasonable person would understand why, on Aug. 1, the contract prohibits the sale of a 30-day pass.

While it is understandable that the bureaucrats wanted to avoid providing any refunds. I cannot understand why 30-day passes were stopped on July 31, when on Aug. 1 there were still 31 days left to swim.

It is unconscionable that the bureaucrats did not even have the respect for the community and the paying public to place a sign in the lobby stating that no passes would be sold after July 31.

**Joan Herron San Lwin**  
North Port

### Englewood needs cable competitor

Editor:

Wow, what a rip-off! We just received our monthly bill from our cable server, and it was a \$22 (11.5 percent) increase over last month's bill. We have ordered no new services that would trigger this type of increase.

We called our cable server to

try and get an explanation for this increase. The only explanation we received was that our cable server has no specific reason, they increased our fee "because they can!" We were also told that next year we are scheduled to receive another increase for the same services we now receive, and this time it will be \$30! The reason given? "Because they can!"

Basically, we were told by our cable server representative that we should be happy with such a small fee increase this year, because the cost of their service will continue to increase every year! Our cable server has a total monopoly of cable services in this area and, since they have or soon will acquire another major cable provider, the situation in Englewood definitely does not look good.

We really need some competition for these services in the Englewood area. We receive messages from another company to switch to their service, but when we tell them we are in ZIP code area 34224, they tell us they haven't gotten around to installing the necessary fiber optic cables in our area, and they don't know when they will. We definitely need help in our area!

**Richard, Joann Reed**  
Englewood

### Muslim threat to world is real

Editor:

In 732 AD a Muslim army attacking Paris was defeated at Tours, France. In 1571 AD the Muslim Army/Navy was defeated at Lapanto by the Italians and Austrians as it was crossing the Mediterranean to attack Southern Europe. In 1683 AD a Turkish Muslim Army was defeated attacking Eastern Europe at Vienna by the Germans and Polish armies.

This has been going on for centuries and the politicians don't know their ancient world history. If these battles had not been won we might all be speaking Arabic and Christianity would be nonexistent, Judaism would certainly be. It would have been Islam or death, which is by the way the goal often stated by today's radical extreme Muslims. Let's forget Hitler admired Islam, the Mufti of Jerusalem was an admirer of the Nazis, there were Bosnian Muslim SS divisions that killed Jews, Russians, Gypsies and a million others for Hitler.

Recently Bosnian Muslims killed thousands of Christians in Serbia. Growth of Islam in France, Holland and elsewhere in Europe, Christians under attack in Iraq, Afghanistan and other Muslim countries by Hamas, ISIA, al-Qaida, Boko Haram etc. is a clear warning. Recently a Christian Church in Iraq that predated Islam was destroyed. When will the Western Nations wake up and realize radical extreme Islam is at war with Western World and unite against this massive threat?

**Robert V. Thomspen**  
Punta Gorda

### Where is the outrage in plane accident?

Editor:

The influential businessman hit an Iraq veteran father and his daughter on a very popular beach where people always go. He hit them from behind — said he never saw them. They were killed. If he was driving a car, it would be vehicular homicide.

Where is the outrage? He knew this stretch well, he knew the water was shallow. Why didn't he land in the water? No investigation, no justice. He got invited to the funeral.

**JoAnne Weller**  
Punta Gorda

## LETTER SUBMISSION POLICY

Letters are welcome on virtually any subject, but we do have some rules. Please keep them to less than 250 words. Letters will be edited to length as well as for grammar and spelling. All letters must be signed with full name — not initials. An address and telephone number must be included. The phone number and address are not for publication, but must be provided. Due to the number of letters received, we are able to run only one letter per person per month. The Letters to

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# Gasparilla Road project in construction phase

The County Road 771 (Gasparilla Road) widening project is now in the construction phase. The purpose of this project is to widen Gasparilla Road to a four-lane divided roadway, from State Road 776 to the vicinity of Rotonda Boulevard East. The project includes the installation of sidewalks and bicycle facilities. This project is funded by the 2009 local option sales tax, road impact fees, gasoline tax and a state grant. This month, the contractor will mobilize equipment to the project site and begin clearing and installing silt fencing. Work will begin on the south side of



Ray Sandrock

the project, near Rotonda Boulevard East up to the bridge at the Butterford Waterway, with the installation of a new utility system.

### Speakers available

The one percent local option sales tax and has funded many projects over the last 20 years, including the Gasparilla

Road widening project. At the general election on Nov. 4, a six-year extension to the 1 percent local option sales tax will be on the ballot. If approved by voters, the extension will run from Jan. 1, 2015, through Dec. 31, 2020, and is projected to generate \$18 million in annual revenue or approximately \$108 million over the life of the extension period.

More than 20 projects have been approved by the Board of County Commissioners to receive funding from the 1 percent local option sales tax. These projects include improved security features in schools,

a west county headquarters for the sheriff, and a veterans memorial park. Information is now available on the county's website [www.CharlotteCountyFL.gov](http://www.CharlotteCountyFL.gov) — click "1% Local Option Sales Tax" in the links on the left.

If your club, group or other organization has questions about the 1 percent local option sales tax extension, Charlotte County staff is available to speak at your meeting. The speaker can clarify information about the referendum and answer your group's questions. Call 941-743-1944 to arrange a presentation for your organization.

### Your Charlotte

"Show Us Your Charlotte" is a program developed by the Charlotte Harbor Visitor & Convention Bureau to encourage photographers of every skill level to submit photos taken in our county to [www.ShowUsYourCharlotte.com](http://www.ShowUsYourCharlotte.com). Each quarter, Visitor and Convention Bureau staff members select four photos as contest finalists based upon the quality of the photos and how well they represent and communicate Charlotte County's tourism offerings. The final decision on first- and second-place winners is made by the Tourist Development Council. Prizes awarded include

gift certificates for local tourism-related business and services.

The first winners of the "Show Us Your Charlotte" photography program were recently selected by the Charlotte County TDC. Patty Stefan of Port Charlotte won first place with a photograph of a Gilchrist Park sunset. Rick Fried with the Greater Charlotte Harbor Sierra Club was awarded second place with a photograph of kayakers paddling on Upper Shell Creek. Congratulations!

Ray Sandrock is the Charlotte County administrator. Readers may reach him at [raymond.sandrock@charlottefl.com](mailto:raymond.sandrock@charlottefl.com).

# Florida Power & Light electric system improvements

FPL works year-round to provide customers with safe and dependable electric service. Their commitment has resulted in a number of storm readiness and reliability projects within Charlotte County this year: inspection of approximately 7,200 utility poles for strength, clearing tree limbs and vegetation from 795 miles of power lines, and examining 10 main power lines with cutting-edge infrared technology. In addition, they are upgrading five main power lines in the county, including those serving important community facilities — such as water treatment plants, grocery stores and key thoroughfares — to help the community recover more quickly following storm outages. Through 2013, FPL had invested more than \$1.4 billion to upgrade the electric system against severe weather



Howard Kunik

since the company started its storm program in 2006. When the planned 2014 work is finished, they will have completed the following improvements in Charlotte County:

- Upgraded and strengthened 11 main power lines; strengthened the electric grid serving hospitals and acute care facilities in the county, as well as other key community facilities.
- Inspected 58,040 utility poles for strength; upgraded or replaced poles, as needed, to ensure they meet the company's standards for strength.
- Trimmed tree limbs and vegetation along

4,400 miles of power lines; vegetation growing near power lines is a major cause of outages.

Inspected 95 main power lines to detect and address potential problems with equipment before it causes outages.

Customers are encouraged to visit [www.FPL.com/storm](http://www.FPL.com/storm) for a wide range of storm preparation resources and safety tips. FPL customers can also enter their street address at [www.FPL.com/maps](http://www.FPL.com/maps) to see system improvements in their area.

### Tax stats

The Tax Foundation published its 2011 annual state-local tax burden rankings. The information provides an estimate of combined state and local tax burden shouldered by residents of each of the 50 states. Florida now ranks number 31 on highest tax burden, as

opposed to numbers 24 and 29 in FY 2010 and 2009, respectively. Here is how the state-local tax burden as share of state income in Florida stacks up against the national average:

	FY 2011	FY 2010	FY 2009
U.S.	9.8%	10.2%	10.1%
Fla.	9.2%	9.8%	9.7%

### Media coverage

Punta Gorda's revitalization efforts since Hurricane Charley were highlighted in a recent article published on Florida Rambler.com. I gave a tour of the city and projects completed after Hurricane Charley to a reporter from the Tampa Bay Times. An article will be highlighted in a future weekly report when published.

### Tax talk

Council Member Prafke made a

presentation on the 1 percent local option sales tax extension to members of the Burnt Store Isles Association. The presentation materials can be viewed on the city's website [www.pgorda.us](http://www.pgorda.us) under What's New.

### Flooding project

Concrete work, placement of sod and cleanup continues on the downtown flooding mitigation project. Street bricking on Durrance at Retta Esplanade commenced on July 29; final cleanup work will continue through Aug. 16.

### Light switch

High pressure sodium lamps on Aquí Esta and Carmalita were replaced with energy-efficient LED bulbs as part of

the Con Edison energy savings project covering roads, parks and city facilities.

### Pathways work

Installation of the fitness equipment purchased through a donation by the Punta Gorda Rotary began this week with replacement of the artificial turf to take place next week. The area remains closed to the public until the construction is complete. City staff provided labor for excavation and installation of the pieces, and Home Depot donated miscellaneous materials as well as volunteer labor.

Howard Kunik is the Punta Gorda city manager. Readers may reach him at [citymgr@ci.punta-gorda.fl.us](mailto:citymgr@ci.punta-gorda.fl.us).

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# Cattails rile local resident

By GARY ROBERTS  
STAFF WRITER

CHARLOTTE COUNTY — Frustration over the slow pace of the Sunshine Lake/Sunrise Waterway cleanup is not limited to Charlotte County officials. Citizens like Scott Andrichak also have reached their boiling point with the water debacle.

A vocal critic of the county on numerous issues, Andrichak most recently latched onto the climbing cost of the cleanup as yet another example of government waste. The total cost of clearing the waterway of algae now exceeds \$4 million, with multiple problems delaying completion of the project and adding to the price tag.

Work now is halted on the project to allow for little blue heron eggs to hatch from a nest in the area, costing the county \$5,270 per day as the contracting firm sits idle. The bird nest, the second to be discovered, is

expected to be removed within two to three weeks.

But Andrichak's issue is with cattails that are supposed to be extracted from the waterway, along with the algae. Andrichak said the county in January made full payment on an \$88,000 cattail-removal contract with ProLime Corp., declaring the work 100 percent completed. But the cattails remain.

"This is a serious fraud against the taxpayers," Andrichak told commissioners at the July 22 commission meeting.

Andrichak also provided copies of the same invoices and county financial documents to the Florida Department of Law Enforcement and the Charlotte County Sheriff's Office, asking for a criminal investigation.

But Ray Sandrock, county administrator, explained last week that the waterway is being cleaned up in phases, clearing out the

algae, cattails and other vegetation one section at a time. It would do no good to get rid of all the cattails prematurely, he said, because they would just grow back before the entire cleanup is completed.

He said 78 percent of the cattails were taken out by January. The removal of the rest of the cattails was addressed when the county amended the ProLime contract again, agreeing to pay an additional \$1.1 million. This money not only covers the eradication of all cattails on the waterway, but also all of the algae, including reimbursing the contractor for algae removed in the past.

"ProLime already exceeded the amount of algae in the contract," Sandrock said.

He also responded to Andrichak's charge that the presence of the cattails is responsible for inviting the birds to nest in the area. Sandrock dismissed this allegation,



SUN PHOTO BY GARY ROBERTS

**Cattails and algae still clog the Sunshine Lake/Sunrise Waterway, as county officials hope to have the cleanup completed by the fall.**

saying the bird nests are located in the trees high overhead, and not among the cattails.

Regardless, Andrichak is demanding the county be held accountable for what he deems are its missteps.

The removal of the blue-green algae that is choking Sunshine Lake/Sunrise Waterway was supposed to cost \$2.5 million. But a series of contract changes to remove unexpected obstacles in the waterway — more algae than anticipated, large debris, cattails and bird nests

— continually push up costs.

Commissioner Chris Constance on July 22 voted against the latest change order in the contract to protect the bird nests, protesting environmental regulations the county must comply with, but did not create.

"This is the worst kind of unfunded mandate from the federal government," Constance said. "If they want to preserve the life of these creatures, they should pay the bill."

County engineer Joanne Vernon explained that it would cost

significantly more to refuse to pay ProLime, which was the only contractor to bid on the project.

"If we were not to pay this change order, then ProLime would walk, and then we would have to hire a new contractor to come out and finish the project," Vernon said.

"We're kind of boxed in. Unfortunately, I don't see another option either," Commission Chairman Ken Doherty said. "We've got to complete the project. It's absolutely essential."

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# Renovations would boost summer, after-school capacity

By BRENDA BARBOSA  
STAFF WRITER

PUNTA GORDA — On a rainy afternoon in a room bustling with the excited chatter of kids, Grant Martin stands hunched over a box of LEGO-like building blocks, perfecting their latest creation.

Their job is to create a BattleBots car that will outperform all the other BattleBots being built by a dozen other screaming kids in the room.

After a few minutes of tinkering, Martin leans in and, with a frustrated sigh, adjusts the front tires.

"There," he said. "That should do it."

The tweak was enough to push his team into the final rounds of the BattleBots championships.

Martin is part of

Charlotte County's 12-week summer camp at the South County Recreation Center — a program that serves more than 100 elementary and middle school students in the county. The popular program has grown so much over the years, it has a waiting list of roughly 75 kids, Charlotte County Community Services Director Tommy Scott said.

"If we were to add an additional multipurpose

room, we could double the capacity of kids we could take at our summer camp, thus we can meet the need of our community when it comes to camp," Scott said.

But without a source of funding, the addition of a multipurpose room, as well as many other needed renovations to the county's recreation facilities, cannot be done.

That's why county officials are intent on educating voters on the importance of extending the local option infrastructure sales tax, also known as the "penny sales tax," Scott said.

The tax is an additional 1 percent sales tax Charlotte County levies to raise revenue for construction, reconstruction and improvements of public facilities. Voters approved an extension of the tax in 2008, which ends Dec. 31, unless extended by voter referendum for an additional six years. The question will be presented to voters in November's election.

Officials estimate about 30 percent of additional sales tax dollars collected are from

out-of-county shoppers.

If approved, officials have pledged roughly \$3.5 million to renovate and expand recreation centers throughout the county, including the Harold Avenue Recreation Center, the Tringali Recreation Center, and the recreation center at South County Regional Park.

At South County, the plan is to build an additional 1,500-square-foot multipurpose meeting room that can accommodate more kids for the after-school, holiday and summer programs.

"We can only handle so much," Scott said. "Right now, we're maxed to capacity."

In addition, the plan calls for building a 2,000-square-foot fitness and wellness room that contains exercise equipment and weights.

"None of our current recreation facilities have any fitness or wellness components to them," Scott said. "We're looking to have fitness equipment brought in, whether it be treadmills or ellipticals or whatever, so that people can work on their cardiovascular health, and their strength and conditioning. We're



SUN PHOTOS BY BRENDA BARBOSA

**Grant Martin, left, and Gianna Creola, right, perfect their BattleBots car during a Bricks 4 Kidz summer camp class Monday at the South County Regional Park in Punta Gorda. The program is part of the park's popular summer camp program, which serves about 100 Charlotte County children. If voters extend the local option Infrastructure Sales Tax initiative in November, officials say they will expand and renovate the recreation center to allow for more child participation. This year, the county had more than 70 kids on a waiting list.**

working to add those components to each of our recreation centers, which is an awesome addition."

The total cost for

renovations at South County Regional Park is estimated to be about \$497,000, Scott said.

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## COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS

### Hurricane-safety event planned

Hurricane Charley's Raw Bar & Grill, 300 W. Retta Esplanade, Punta Gorda, will play host to a 10-year Hurricane Charley Commemoration Event at 11 a.m. Aug. 13 at the

restaurant. The purpose of the event is to present hurricane safety and awareness to the community. There will be CPR instruction presented by the Red Cross, as well as The Salvation Army, interactive police and fire mobile units, and Wayne Sallade from

the office of Emergency Management. Vendors with hurricane/safety-related products also will be on-site. In addition, there will be music, food, drinks and fun. For more information, call Bob McCurry at 941-639-9695.

### Coalition to hold meetings

The Early Learning Coalition of Florida's Heartland will hold an Administrative

Committee meeting at 9 a.m. Aug. 20 at 2886 Tamiami Trail, Unit 1, Port Charlotte. In addition, the ELCFH will hold a Quality Committee meeting at 9 a.m. Aug. 21 at the same address.

Both meetings are open to the public. They also will be held via conference call by calling 866-628-8620, and entering participant code 504163#.

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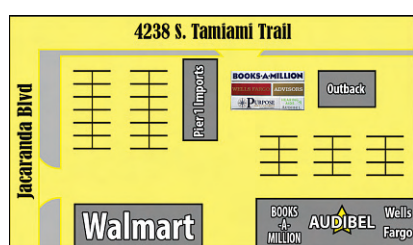
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Brianna Donaldson, 11, during one of the leg and back stretches.



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Intent on perfecting the leg lift, Lindsey Akins, 12, watches herself in the mirror while following the lead of dance instructor Brittney Davenport.



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Working on her aerials, Olivia Chapin, 11, leaps across the dance floor.

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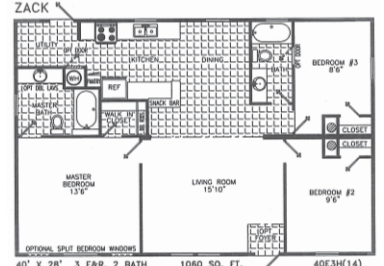
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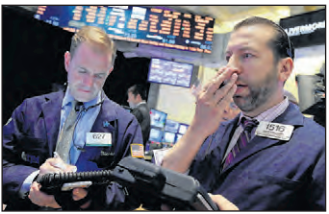
Gay marriage arguments flooding federal courts



A slew of cases are putting pressure on the U.S. Supreme Court to issue a final verdict.

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Stocks sink on Ukraine tensions



The Dow lost 139.81 points, or 0.8 percent, to 16,429.47, the lowest level for the index since mid-May.

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## 10 things to know

### 1. World's attention shifts to rebuilding Gaza

After four weeks of intensive fighting, including close to 5,000 Israeli strikes on Gaza targets, the devastation is widespread. **See page 1.**

### 2. Attacker kills US general near Kabul

Maj. Gen. Harold Greene is the highest-ranked American officer slain in combat in either of the nation's post-9/11 wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. **See page 1.**

### 3. Nigerian official: 7 more have Ebola signs

Authorities say that a sick man who later died was not immediately quarantined. Now eight health workers who had contact with him have symptoms of the disease. **See page 5.**

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Insurers look at risk over a long time period. **See page 1.**

### 5. Nixon recordings released

Portions of the tapes reveal the former president's awkward fall from grace over the Watergate scandal. **See page 1.**

### 6. Which issue will be front and center

In the coming weeks, fights over gay marriage from nine states will be heard in federal appeals courts. **See page 2.**

### 7. Researchers reverse Alzheimer's in mice

A compound inhibits the effects of a protein that regulates memory and learning. **See page 2.**

### 8. How 'Obamacare' is playing out in states

States that fully embraced the law's coverage expansion are experiencing a significant drop in the number of uninsured residents. **See page 8.**

### 9. Ex-Biogenesis clinic owner accused in steroid case

The charges against Anthony Bosch and six others marks one of the biggest salvos yet involving the alleged drug ring that ensnared Alex Rodriguez and other ball-players. **See Sports page 1.**

### 10. Spurs hire female assistant coach

Becky Hammon, a WNBA star who plans to end her playing career after this season, becomes the NBA's first full-time, paid female assistant. **See Sports page 3.**

# The Wire

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## US general killed

Gunman in Afghan uniform also wounds 15 in attack

By **ROBERT BURNS, RAHIM FAIEZ and LOLITA C. BALDOR**  
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITERS

KABUL, Afghanistan — An American major general was shot to death Tuesday in one of the bloodiest insider attacks of the long Afghanistan war when a gunman dressed as an Afghan soldier turned on allied troops, wounding about 15 including a German general and two Afghan generals.

The American officer was Maj. Gen. Harold Greene, a U.S. official said. An engineer by training, Greene was on his first deployment to a war zone and was involved in preparing Afghan forces for the time when U.S.-coalition troops leave at the end of this year. He was the deputy commanding general, Combined Security Transition Command-Afghanistan.

Greene was the highest-ranked American officer killed in combat in the nation's post-9/11 wars in Iraq and Afghanistan and the highest-ranked officer killed in combat since 1970 in the Vietnam War.

Five major generals were killed in Vietnam, the last was Maj. Gen. John Albert Dillard, whose helicopter was shot down.

The attack at Marshal Fahim National Defense University underscored the tensions that persist as the U.S. combat role winds down in Afghanistan — and it wasn't the only

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AP PHOTOS

This image provided by the U.S. Army shows Maj. Gen. Harold J. Greene. A U.S. official has identified the senior officer killed in Afghanistan on Tuesday, as Greene, the highest-ranking American officer killed in combat since 1970. Greene was the deputy commanding general, Combined Security Transition Command-Afghanistan. An engineer by training, Greene was involved in preparing Afghan forces for the time when U.S.-coalition troops leave at the end of this year.



Afghanistan National Army soldiers stand guard at a gate of Camp Qargha, west of Kabul, Afghanistan, Tuesday.



An Afghan laborer walks past a gate of Camp Qargha as Afghanistan National Army soldiers stand guard, Tuesday.

## Why is property insurance so high?

By **ROBIN SUSSINGHAM**  
WGCU PUBLIC MEDIA WRITER

Here's an impressive stat: six of the 10 most costly hurricanes in U.S. history hit Florida during 2004 and 2005. Insurance companies took a big hit financially and, as you'd expect, our property insurance coverage got more expensive. But the

state saw its last hurricane nine years ago. So why are we still paying such high rates?

Florida's Insurance Consumer advocate Steve Burgess says nine years isn't a long time for insurance analysts, who may be looking at risk over a hundred year period. Also, insurance companies absorbed billions

of dollars in damages over 2004 and 2005, and they couldn't pass all those costs onto their policyholders immediately. The cost had to be recouped over time, and that's what's still happening, says Burgess. The insurance companies are replenishing their financial reserves and getting ready for the next big storm.

State-owned Citizens Property Insurance Corporation, the state's largest insurer, has built up those reserves, Burgess says, and in fact is going to decrease its rates for next year. Most insurance companies, however, are not decreasing their rates. And a big reason

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## Nixon recordings reveal fall from grace

By **GILLIAN FLACCUS and KRYSTA FAURIA**  
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITERS

YORBA LINDA, Calif. — Almost a decade after Richard Nixon resigned, the disgraced former president sat down with his one-time aide and told the tale of his fall from grace in his own words.

For three decades, that version of one of the nation's largest and most-dissected political scandals largely gathered dust — until this week.

Starting Tuesday, to commemorate the 40th anniversary of Nixon's

resignation, portions of the tapes will be published each day by the Nixon Presidential Library & Museum and the private Richard Nixon Foundation. The postings begin with Nixon recalling the day he decided to resign and end Saturday — the date of his last day in office — with the 37th president discussing his final day at the White House, when he signed the resignation agreement, gave a short speech and boarded a helicopter for San Clemente, Calif.

The segments were culled from

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In this June 10, 1983, frame grab of video made available by Raiford Communications, Inc., former president Richard Nixon talks about his 1974 resignation.

## Israel, Hamas to negotiate new Gaza deal

By **KARIN LAUB and MAGGIE MICHAEL**  
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITERS

GAZA CITY, Gaza Strip — The outlines of a solution for battered, blockaded Gaza are emerging after Tuesday's tentative Israel-Hamas cease-fire: Norway is organizing

a donor conference and Western-backed Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas aims to oversee rebuilding and reassert his authority in the territory, lost to Hamas in 2007.

Forces loyal to Abbas would be deployed at Gaza's crossings to encourage Israel and

Egypt to lift the closure they imposed after the Hamas takeover.

Indirect Israel-Hamas talks in Cairo are to tackle the details. The hope is that promises of a better life for Gazans will coax compromise and avert what had been looking like a fight to the finish.

The gaps remain wide, especially between Israel and Hamas.

Israel says it has inflicted a painful blow to Hamas' military capabilities in the monthlong fighting and wants to make sure the group cannot re-arm if border restrictions are eased.

"The extent to which we are going to be ready to cooperate with the efforts to have better access and movement in Gaza will deeply depend on the kind of arrangements that would secure our peace and security," said Yossi

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# Gay marriage arguments flooding federal courts

CINCINNATI (AP) — Federal appeals courts covering nearly half the United States will soon hear arguments on whether gay and lesbian couples have a right to marry, part of a slew of cases putting pressure on the U.S. Supreme Court to issue a final verdict.

If the appeals courts continue the unbroken eight-month streak of rulings in favor of gay marriage, that could make it easier for the nation's highest court to come down on the side of supporters.

If even one ruling goes against them in the four courts taking up the issue in the coming weeks, it would create a divide that the Supreme Court also could find difficult to resist settling.

"We're going to be racking up more courts of appeals decisions, and every one we get puts more pressure on the Supreme Court to weigh in," said Douglas NeJaime, a law professor at the University of California-Irvine. "It's very likely the Supreme Court ultimately settles



AP FILE PHOTO

**In this Monday, Oct. 21, 2013, file photo, Dr. Sophy Jesty, left, and Dr. Valeria Tanco, of Knoxville, Tenn., speak outside the Davidson County courthouse in Nashville, Tenn. The couple, married in New York in 2011, are part of a group that filed a lawsuit to force Tennessee to recognize same-sex marriages from other states where it is legal.**

this question. Given how quickly things have moved, it's hard for the court to avoid this in the short term."

A three-judge panel of the 6th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Cincinnati will hear arguments from attorneys in six cases from Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio and Tennessee, all Wednesday, the most of any federal appeals court so far.

Similar arguments are

set for Aug. 26 in the 7th Circuit in Chicago, for bans in Wisconsin and Indiana, and for Sept. 8 in the 9th Circuit in San Francisco, for bans in Idaho and Nevada. The 5th Circuit in New Orleans is expected to soon set a date to hear arguments on Texas' ban.

The flurry of arguments means an upcoming spate of rulings, possibly all issued this autumn, that could profoundly alter the nation's

marriage laws.

If the four federal circuit appeals courts rule in favor of gay marriage, then nine states with pending appeals stand to have their bans stricken down altogether or ordered to recognize out-of-state gay marriages: Ohio, Michigan, Tennessee, Kentucky, Texas, Indiana, Wisconsin, Idaho and Nevada, though the decisions likely would be put on hold for a Supreme Court ruling.

Five additional states under those four circuit courts have gay marriage lawsuits awaiting decisions by federal judges: Alaska, Arizona, Louisiana, Mississippi, Louisiana, and Montana.

Observers say the 6th or 5th circuits could deliver the first victory for gay marriage opponents.

The three judges at the 6th Circuit set to hear gay marriage arguments Wednesday are Jeffrey S. Sutton and Judge Deborah L. Cook, both George W. Bush nominees, and Martha Craig Daughtrey, a Clinton nominee.

# S&P: Wealth gap is slowing US economic growth

WASHINGTON (AP) — Economists have long argued that a rising wealth gap has complicated the U.S. rebound from the Great Recession.

Now, an analysis by the rating agency Standard & Poor's lends its weight to the argument: The widening gap between the wealthiest Americans and everyone else has made the economy more prone to boom-bust cycles and slowed the 5-year-old recovery from the recession.

Economic disparities appear to be reaching extremes that "need to be watched because they're damaging to growth," said Beth Ann Bovino, chief U.S. economist at S&P.

The rising concentration of income among the top 1 percent of earners has contributed to S&P's cutting its growth estimates for the economy. In part because of the disparity, it estimates that the economy will grow at a 2.5 percent annual pace in the next decade, down from a forecast five years ago of a 2.8 percent rate.

The S&P report advises



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**In this March 29, 2013, photo, a homeless man pushes a shopping cart full of his belongings across an intersection in the Skid Row area of Los Angeles. Economists have long argued that rising economic inequality has held back the U.S. rebound from the Great Recession.**

against using the tax code to try to narrow the gap. Instead, it suggests that greater access to education would help ease wealth disparities.

Part of the problem is that educational achievement has stalled in recent decades. More schooling usually translates into higher wages. S&P estimates that the U.S. economy would grow annually by an additional half a percentage point — or \$105 billion — over the next

five years, if the average the American worker had completed just one more year of school.

By contrast, S&P concludes, heavy taxes that would be meant to reduce inequality could remove incentives for people to work and cause businesses to hire fewer employees because of the costs involved.

The report builds on data from the Congressional Budget Office, the International Monetary Fund and

academic economists to explain how income disparities can hurt growth. Many consumers tend to become more dependent on debt to continue spending, thereby worsening the boom-bust cycle. Or they curb their spending, and growth improves only modestly, as it has during the current recovery.

Tax data tracked as part of the World Top Incomes Database project reveal just how much the economic chasm has expanded.

An American in the top 1 percent of earners had an average income of \$1.3 million in 2012, the most recent year for which data are available. Average income jumps to \$30.8 million for the top 0.01 percent.

Adjusted for inflation, the top 0.01 percent's average earnings have jumped by a factor of seven since 1913. For the bottom 90 percent of Americans, average incomes after inflation have grown by a factor of just three since 1917 and have declined for the past 13 years.

# Yale researchers reverse Alzheimer's in mice

(Hearst Connecticut Newspapers) — Researchers from Yale School of Medicine have discovered a new drug compound that has reversed the effects of Alzheimer's disease in mice.

The researchers found a compound that inhibited the effects of a protein that is key to regulating memory and learning. The research has led to cautious optimism among Alzheimer's research advocates.

"Further studies have now begun to see if the compound leads to cognitive improvement in other species," including monkeys, said Dr. Paul Lombroso, lead author and professor in the Yale Child Study Center and the neurobiology and psychiatry departments at Yale.

Lombroso cautioned that it is too soon to know

if the treatment would be effective in humans.

"I would be hard-pressed to say that this is the drug (that will be used to treat Alzheimer's), but we're much closer," Lombroso said.

Lombroso and the other researchers have found the compound, TC-2153, alters the effects of a protein called striatal-enriched tyrosine phosphatase, also known as STEP.

If the body's STEP levels get too high, it can prevent synaptic strengthening in the brain — a process that's required to turn short-term memories into long-term memories. When STEP is elevated, it can impair cognitive function. High levels of the protein are associated not just with Alzheimer's, but a number of other disorders, including schizophrenia, Parkinson's disease, and the

developmental disorder fragile X syndrome.

Lombroso said the role of STEP in Alzheimer's has been known for years, and there's long been interest in finding something that keeps the enzyme from affecting brain function.

He and his co-authors studied thousands of small molecules, looking for one that would inhibit STEP. They found that treating mice with a single dose of TC-2153 improved their cognitive function.

Basically, the medication "binds very tightly to the STEP molecules and keeps (the protein) from doing its job," Lombroso said.

According to the state chapter of the Alzheimer's Association, there are more than 5 million Americans living with Alzheimer's, including 72,000 in Connecticut.

The findings -- published in the Aug. 5

issue of the journal PLoS Biology — are encouraging said Christy Kovel, senior director of communications for the Connecticut chapter of the Alzheimer's Association.

"It is an exciting and busy time in Alzheimer's disease research, with hundreds of potential therapies being tested at various stages of the research process, and many more being developed," Kovel said in a statement. "We need to create more treatment targets for Alzheimer's disease and the only way to do that is with more research, especially basic research into the causes and progression of the disease. This new data will help the scientists determine the likelihood and viability of moving forward with testing this potential therapy."

## NATION

### Subaru recalls 5 models for air bag problem

DETROIT (AP) — Subaru is recalling an undetermined number of vehicles because of air bag problems that have affected much of the global auto industry.

The recall covers the 2003-2005 Baja, Legacy and Outback and the 2004-2005 Impreza, as well as the 2005 Saab 9-2X made by Subaru.

It only affects vehicles in Florida, Puerto Rico, Hawaii and the U.S. Virgin Islands with air bag inflators made by Takata Corp.

The front passenger inflators can rupture, causing metal fragments to fly out when the air bags are deployed. That can injure passengers.

Faulty air bags have been blamed for recalls of millions of cars in recent years.

### Woman crashes car with stolen snake around neck

(Newsday) — A woman who crashed her car through the front garage door of a New York firehouse, slamming into two fire trucks parked inside, was arrested on drunken driving and drug possession charges Monday, police said — after surprised firefighters removed a stolen python from around her neck.

Sarah Espinosa, 22, of Albany, N.Y., was arrested after crashing into a New Hyde Park Fire Department station house just after 7 p.m., Nassau County police said. At her arraignment Tuesday morning, the Legal Aid attorney representing Espinosa entered a plea of not guilty on her behalf.

Charged with second-degree reckless endangerment, reckless driving, driving while intoxicated, unlawful possession of marijuana and petty larceny, Espinosa was ordered held on \$5,000 cash bail or bond.

Judge Scott H. Siller granted the prosecution's request to suspend Espinosa's license. She is due back in court Aug. 7.

Police said that after the crash Espinosa was taken to a hospital where she was treated and released, then arrested.

No firefighters were injured in the accident.

Police said Espinosa was driving her 2010 Toyota Prius when she crossed the median, crashed into a Nissan Maxima — then smashed through the front door of the firehouse, striking the two fire trucks.

Firefighters were in the station house at the time, police said, and when they went to aid Espinosa found a "small ball python" wrapped around the woman's neck.

The firefighters removed the snake and secured it.

### American opts for snacks for first class on short trips

(Bloomberg) — Meals in American Airlines' first — class cabins, a throwback to the bygone era of free food for all fliers, are poised to disappear from some shorter flights.

Snacks will replace full meals as of Sept. 1 on trips of less than 2 hours, 45 minutes, except on busy routes such as New York-Chicago. Meals now start on flights of 2 hours, according to American, which is making the change on service within the U.S., Canada, Mexico and the Caribbean.

The shift at the world's

largest airline blurs the line between coach and premium cabins, where complementary meals have long differentiated the pricier, roomier seats at the front of the plane. American's policy also moves the Fort Worth, Texas-based company closer to the standards at its biggest rivals, United Continental Holdings and Delta Air Lines.

### Comcast expands its \$10-a-month Internet program

(Washington Post) — Comcast is relaxing the eligibility requirements for its low-cost Internet access program, Internet Essentials, which may allow more poor Americans to sign up for the company's \$10-a-month broadband program.

As part of a back-to-school promotion, running until Sept. 20, new subscribers to the program will get six months of free Internet access. In addition, previous Comcast customers who were barred from signing up for Internet Essentials because they owed the company money for other services will now be eligible — if their outstanding bill is more than a year old.

Low-income customers who have an outstanding balance less than a year old will also be able to apply for the program, which offers speeds of 5 megabits per second, if they meet the other eligibility requirements and pay off their balance.

### Apple expected to announce iPhone 6 Sept. 9

(LA Times) — There's finally a date for the iPhone 6 announcement: Sept. 9.

According to influential tech blog Re/Code, Apple will formally unveil its latest smartphone next month.

The device is expected to feature a 4.7-inch screen, larger than any iPhone before it. Apple has also been said to be working on a 5.5-inch version of the iPhone 6, but recent reports have said Apple may not announce that version until later this year or possibly in early 2015.

By releasing a larger-screen iPhone, Apple hopes it can better compete against the likes of Samsung and HTC, whose devices feature screens larger than the 4-inch iPhone 5s.

The iPhone 6 is also expected to be thinner than its predecessors and feature an all-new, very metallic design.

### Dead zone off Louisiana about at 5-year average

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — This dead zone — an area off Louisiana where there's too little oxygen in the Gulf of Mexico to keep sea creatures alive — is about average this year and currently the size of Connecticut, a veteran scientist reported Monday.

The dead zone covered about 5,050 square miles as of Aug. 1, triple the 2015 target set by a task force led by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, said Nancy Rabalais of Louisiana Universities Marine Consortium.

The scientist has spent decades researching the phenomenon. She said she could not tell whether this year's dead zone was likely to become larger than average, but conditions on the surface make an increase in size likely in coming weeks.



# Growth in tourism boosts jobs creation

(Tampa Bay Times) — The state spends tens of millions in public dollars each year to promote tourism, and a Florida TaxWatch report released Monday showed that investment is generating new visitors, new jobs and new spending.

The business-backed institute in Tallahassee also said that the state is “well on its way” to fulfilling Gov. Rick Scott’s goal of 100 million annual visitors by 2015.

“We love it when they come here and spend money,” said Florida TaxWatch chief economist Jerry Parrish. “We have a lot of great

tourists leaving their money in the state of Florida, and that directly reduces the tax burden on Floridians.”

Florida TaxWatch said it assembled its report using data from Visit Florida, the state’s tourism marketing corporation, and the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

According to the report, the state had a record 94.2 million visitors in 2013. That’s an increase of 2.8 million tourists, or 3 percent, from the 91.5 million visitors recorded in 2012.

It was also the fourth consecutive year that the number of tourists

has increased since that number dipped to 80.8 million in recession-plagued 2009.

Those 2.8 million additional visitors generated almost 76,000 new jobs in Florida, according to the report. The average annual salary is more than \$43,000.

But tourism investment created more than just tourism-related jobs, Parrish said. Florida TaxWatch research showed that investing in tourism was also “indirectly” responsible for creating 37,382 jobs unrelated to tourism.

The record 94.3 million tourists who visited

Florida was also notable because an increasing share of them are international visitors. The report said there were a record 11.1 million overseas visitors in 2013, an increase of 7 percent. There were also a record number of Canadian visitors, 3.7 million, which was an increase of 4 percent from the previous year.

Those overseas visitors are especially crucial to the economic success of Florida tourism.

“International tourists typically stay longer and spend more than the domestic tourist,” Parrish said.

Florida TaxWatch said that the average overseas tourist spent \$1,737 each and stayed an average of 10.9 nights. By comparison, the average domestic visitor spent \$148 a day and stayed an average of 4.4 nights.

The state is also investing more public dollars than ever in tourism.

In fiscal year 2007, the state spent \$24.7 million on tourism marketing. But in 2013, the Legislature gave Visit Florida a then-record budget of \$54 million for marketing.

The state’s tourism marketing budget jumped to \$63.5 million

in fiscal year 2014. And in the 2015 budget, which started in July, Visit Florida was given \$74 million.

But it’s not just public dollars helping Florida tourism. Parrish said that for every public dollar spent to attract visitors, the private sector is spending \$2.08.

“They’re seeing that the state is willing to invest in both the state and private sectors’ success,” Parrish said. “It gives them confidence that the state of Florida understands tourism and invests in that subsector of our economy.”

## HEADLINE NEWS FROM AROUND THE STATE

### Florida Medical Association opposes pot

TALLAHASSEE (AP) — The group that represents Florida’s doctors is coming out against a proposal to allow medical marijuana in the state.

Florida voters will vote this November on a measure authorizing medical marijuana.

The Florida Medical Association on Monday announced it was opposed to Amendment 2.

The group that represents physicians said in a statement that there are “unintended consequences” linked to the proposal that create a health risk. The FMA contended that the amendment would allow health care providers with no training to order medical marijuana.

United for Care, a group supporting the proposed amendment, said the

FMA’s position does not reflect growing support for the measure among doctors and nurses.

The organization also questioned the FMA criticism about training. The group said rules could be passed later to require training.

### 4th judge overturns Florida gay marriage ban

WEST PALM BEACH (AP) — A fourth judge in Florida has overturned the state’s ban on same-sex marriage in a single county.

Tuesday’s ruling by Palm Beach County Circuit Judge Diana Lewis mirrors recent decision in Monroe, Miami-Dade and Broward counties. All found that a 2008 voter-approved constitutional amendment banning gay marriage in the state violates gay residents’ right to equal protection under the law



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## Satellite light

The media watches as a Space X falcon 9 rocket carrying the AsiaSat 8 Satellite lifts off early Tuesday from the Cape Canaveral, Fla., Air Force Station. The rocket carried the AsiaSat-8 spacecraft which will support direct broadcasting, private networks and broadband connectivity for customers in China, India, Southeast Asia and the Middle East.

as guaranteed by the 14th Amendment.

Republican Attorney General Pam Bondi has filed a notice of appeal

in the Monroe and Miami-Dade cases. No marriage licenses will be issued for gay couples in any of the four counties,

pending appeals.

The Palm Beach Post reports that Tuesday’s opinion is tied to a probate case surrounding the death of a man who owned property in Florida and married a man in Delaware, where gay marriage is legal.

### 2 men accused of taking bags from S. Fla. airports

MIAMI (AP) — Two men face multiple charges of grand theft for taking baggage from carousels at Miami International Airport.

The Miami Herald reports 37-year-old Alis Jimenez and 41-year-old Juan Fidalgo were arrested July 25 at a Miami home. Police say they found numerous pieces of luggage inside the home.

Jimenez was charged with 16 counts of grand theft for stealing some

\$25,000 worth of items. Fidalgo faces two counts of grand theft for taking in excess of \$2,000 in goods.

Police say the men also admitted to taking luggage from Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport and Palm Beach International Airport.

On June 11, authorities spotted the men taking baggage on airport security camera. They had stolen items at least three more times before their arrest because police didn’t know who they were.

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# More than 1 million on US terrorism database

WASHINGTON (Washington Post) — A U.S. government database of known or suspected terrorists contains the names of about 25,000 Americans or legal residents, which represents about 2 percent of the total number of people in the vast intelligence files.

According to the National Counterterrorism Center, there were 1.1 million people, many with multiple spelling variations, in the classified database as of December 2013. The government draws from the database when it places individuals on its no-fly list.

The number of people in the database more than doubled after a terrorist tried unsuccessfully to blow up a Detroit-bound airliner on 2009, according to

secret documents leaked to the online magazine The Intercept and published Tuesday.

Since late 2010, “analysts have created more than 430,000 terrorism-related person records and deleted 50,000 subjects whose nexus to terrorism was refuted or did not meet current watchlisting criteria,” the documents show.

The Associated Press also reported similar figures Tuesday, citing newly released information provided by the National Counterterrorism Center. The database, called the Terrorist Identities Datamart Environment, or TIDE, was created after the Sept. 11, 2001, terror attacks.

The counterterrorism center said in a statement that “TIDE — in supporting the

watchlisting system — provides a critical layer in our counterterrorism defenses.”

The documents obtained by The Intercept also indicated that the government, with the assistance of the CIA, is in the midst of a major effort to obtain biometric data on people in the database. The records say analysts have added 730,000 biometric files to the database; some of those files include fingerprints, iris scans and facial photographs.

As of last year, the database contained 860,000 biometric files related to 144,000 people.

In 2013, The Intercept said, the government collected biometric information from U.S. driver's licenses. The Intercept said 2,400 images were provided and placed in the database.

The government has also embraced non-traditional biometric data-fields for use in TIDE, including handwriting, signatures, scars, tattoos and DNA strands.

The documents also outline the government's exhaustive efforts to improve the information in the database, relying partly on the CIA's “clandestinely acquired foreign government information” to enhance “select populations.”

To do this, the CIA used a secret program called “Hydra.” For example, the CIA took 555 Pakistanis listed in TIDE and vetted the names against their Pakistani passports. The CIA was able to supplement the database with biometric and biographic information.

The documents didn't provide any additional details about

the CIA program.

Managing the database is onerous, with analysts handling an average of 250 nominations a day and 200 encounter reports along with visa applications.

In 2013, the CIA accounted for the greatest number of nominations at about 45 percent. The FBI nominated 5 percent, the lowest number of nominations.

The Intercept said the top five U.S. cities with “known or suspected terrorists” are New York; Dearborn, Mich.; Houston; San Diego; and Chicago.

The Intercept reported that the United States put 3,200 “known or suspected terrorists” in the database because of connections with the Syria conflict, including 715 Europeans and Canadians and 41 Americans.

## GENERAL

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assault by an Afghan ally on coalition forces on Tuesday. In eastern Paktia province, an Afghan police guard exchanged fire with NATO troops near the governor's office, provincial police said. The guard was killed in the gunfight.

It wasn't clear if the two incidents were linked, and police said they were investigating.

Early indications suggested the Afghan gunman who killed the American general was inside a building and fired indiscriminately from a window at the people gathered outside, the U.S. official said. There was no indication that Greene

was specifically targeted, said the official who identified Greene. The official was not authorized to speak publicly by name about the incident and provided the information only on condition of anonymity.

The wounded included a German brigadier general and two Afghan generals, officials said. A U.S. official said that of the estimated 15 wounded, about half were Americans, several of them in serious condition.

U.S. officials still asserted confidence in their partnership with the Afghan military, which appears to be holding its own against the Taliban but will soon be operating independently once most U.S.-led coalition forces leave at the end of the year.



An Afghanistan National Army soldier stands guard at a gate of Camp Qarqha, west of Kabul, Afghanistan, Tuesday.

The Iraq and Afghanistan wars have taken more than 6,700 U.S. lives.

Insider attacks rose sharply in 2012, with more than 60 coalition troops — mostly Americans — killed in

40-plus attacks that threatened to shatter all trust between Afghan and allied forces. U.S. commanders imposed a series of precautionary tactics, and the number of such attacks declined sharply last year.

The White House said President Barack Obama was briefed on the shooting. Obama and Defense Secretary Chuck Hagel both spoke with Gen. Joseph Dunford, the top U.S. general in Kabul, who said a joint U.S.-Afghan investigation was underway and who assured his bosses he still had confidence in the Afghan military.

The Pentagon's press secretary, Navy Rear Adm. John Kirby, announced that the U.S. general officer was killed in the attack but he refused to be specific about his rank, citing concern that his family had not yet been fully and officially notified. Another U.S. official said the officer was a major general. There are only a few U.S. generals in Afghanistan.

## INSURANCE

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for that is a lack of competition, according to Michael Letcher. Letcher created the website homeinsurancebuyers.org. He says 119 businesses have active

policies in Florida, but only 39 are actually writing new business, and most Floridians really have only three to five companies to choose from.

Letcher also says more companies in Florida need to have at least \$100 million in surplus, and he says most of the

companies in Florida carry a lot less than that. Insurance companies will buy their own insurance — called reinsurance — but Letcher says that won't be enough.

“I don't care how much reinsurance these companies have,” says Letcher. “These companies need to be bigger.

We need to get back to the days where Florida has at least 100 companies writing new business with many of them having over \$100 million in surplus. It's the only way our market is going to recover.”

Letcher lists other reasons why our rates have stayed high, such as

an increase in non-hurricane claims, like fire and theft. Fraudulent claims have been on the increase as well, he says. But one bright spot may be reinsurance costs. According to Steve Burgess, these have been declining, and the cost savings should be passed on to consumers soon.

## NIXON

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more than 30 hours of interviews that Nixon did with former aide Frank Gannon in 1983. The sections on Watergate aired publicly once, on CBS News, before gathering dust at the University of Georgia for more than 30 years.

“This is as close to what anybody is going to experience sitting down and having a beer with Nixon, sitting down with him in his living room,” said Gannon, now a writer and historian in Washington, D.C.

“Like him or not,

whether you think that his resignation was a tragedy for the nation or that he got out of town one step ahead of the sheriff, he was a human being,” he said.

Nixon, who died in 1994, had hoped that providing his own narrative would help temper America's final judgment of him.

Perhaps with that in mind, he didn't shy away from the tough questions, commenting on everything from the threat of impeachment to the so-called “smoking gun” conversation that included evidence he participated in a Watergate cover-up.

“This was the final

blow, the final nail in the coffin. Although you don't need another nail if you're already in the coffin — which we were,” Nixon said in a segment about the June 23, 1972, tape.

Nixon said when he decided to resign, he faced such strong resistance from his wife that he brought a transcript of the “smoking gun” tape to a family meeting to show her how bad it was.

“I'm a fighter, I just didn't want to quit. Also I thought it would be an admission of guilt, which of course it was,” he said. “And, also, I felt it would set a terribly bad precedent for the future.”

The tone of the tapes contrasts with the sometimes adversarial tone of the well-known series of Nixon interviews done in 1977 by British journalist David Frost. Nixon appears relaxed in the tapes. He smiles occasionally, speaks fondly about his two daughters and wife and seems emotional while recalling the final days of his fraught administration, as pressure mounted for his impeachment over a 1972 break-in at Democratic headquarters by burglars tied to the president's re-election committee who were trying to get dirt on his political adversaries.

The decision to release

these friendly interviews now, years after the fact, might not be a coincidence, said Luke Nichter, a Nixon expert and professor at Texas A&M University. With the passage of time, he said, every former president sees their legacy re-examined and recast, and Nixon may be no different.

“Watergate's never going to go away,” Nichter said. “Nixon's role in that and the cover-up is so well-documented. But I think what we're trying to say here, 40 years later, is Nixon doesn't have to be all bad or all good. He can be a combination of the good, bad and ugly.”

## GAZA

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Kuperwasser, a senior official in Israel's Strategic Affairs Ministry.

Hamas, in turn, has signaled flexibility on ceding some authority to Abbas in Gaza, but insists on having a say on reconstruction and that it will not disarm.

Izzat Rishq, a senior Hamas official, said disarming isn't up for discussion.

“We'd take the life of anyone who tries to take the weapons of resistance,” he told The Associated Press.

Despite such tough talk, Hamas is in a position of

relative weakness.

The Islamic militant group's fortunes changed dramatically last year after the Egyptian military deposed a Hamas-friendly government in Cairo and began closing hundreds of smuggling tunnels under the Gaza-Egypt border.

The closures deprived Hamas of a key source of revenue — the taxation of goods brought through the tunnels — and prevented weapons and cash destined for Hamas from flowing into Gaza.

By this spring, Hamas was in such a severe financial crisis that it accepted a reconciliation deal with Abbas. Under that agreement, an Abbas-led government was to run

both the West Bank and Gaza, though thorny issues were put off, including Hamas' insistence that it retain control over its security forces. The unity government was stumbling by the time Israel-Hamas fighting erupted on July 8.

Even before the war, Gaza was in bad shape because of the prolonged blockade.

Unemployment in the impoverished territory of 1.8 million people had risen well above 50 percent, in part because of Egypt's tunnel closures. Only half of Gaza's electricity needs were being met, and the closure prevented most Gaza residents from travel.

After four weeks of intensive fighting,



Palestinians in a car with their belongings drive past a destroyed house in Rafah's district of Shawkah in the southern Gaza Strip, Tuesday.

including close to 5,000 Israeli strikes on Gaza targets, the devastation is widespread.

According to initial figures from Gaza's main U.N.

aid agency, some 10,000 homes were destroyed or damaged beyond repair. Gaza's only power plant was forced to shut down last week.

## ALMANAC

Today is **Wednesday, Aug. 6**, the 218th day of 2014. There are 147 days left in the year.

### Today in history

On **Aug. 6, 1914**, Austria-Hungary declared war against Russia and Serbia declared war against Germany.

### On this date

In **1813**, during the Venezuelan War of Independence, forces led by Simon Bolivar recaptured Caracas.

In **1825**, Upper Peru became the autonomous republic of Bolivia.

In **1862**, the Confederate iron-clad CSS Arkansas was scuttled by its crew on the Mississippi River near Baton Rouge, La., to prevent capture by the Union.

In **1926**, Gertrude Ederle became the first woman to swim the English Channel, arriving in Kingsdown, England, from France in 14 1/2 hours.

In **1930**, New York State Supreme Court Justice Joseph Force Crater went missing after leaving a Manhattan restaurant; his disappearance remains a mystery.

In **1945**, during World War II, the United States dropped an atomic bomb on Hiroshima, Japan, resulting in an estimated 140,000 deaths.

In **1956**, the DuMont television network went off the air after a decade of operations.

In **1961**, Soviet cosmonaut Gherman Titov became the second man to orbit Earth as he flew aboard Vostok 2.

In **1965**, President Lyndon B. Johnson signed the Voting Rights Act.

In **1978**, Pope Paul VI died at Castel Gandolfo at age 80.

In **1986**, William J. Schroeder died at Humana Hospital-Audubon in Louisville, Ky., after living 620 days with the Jarvik 7 artificial heart.

In **1993**, Louis Freeh won Senate confirmation to be FBI director.

### Today's birthdays

Actress **Louise Sorel** is 74. Actor **Michael Anderson Jr.** is 71. Actor **Ray Buktenica** is 71. Actor **Dorian Harewood** is 64. Actress **Catherine Hicks** is 63. Actress **Stephanie Kramer** is 58. Actress **Faith Prince** is 57. Rhythm-and-blues singer **Randy DeBarge** is 56. Actor **Leland Orser** is 54. Country singers **Patsy and Peggy Lynn** are 50. Basketball Hall of Famer **David Robinson** is 49. Actor **Jeremy Ratchford** is 49. Country singer **Lisa Stewart** is 46. Movie writer-director **M. Night Shyamalan** is 44. Actress **Merrin Dungey** is 43. Singer **Gerri Halliwell** is 42. Actor **Jason O'Mara** is 42. Singer-actor **David Campbell** is 41. Actress **Vera Farmiga** is 41. Actress **Ever Carradine** is 40. Actress **Soleil Moon Frye** is 38. Actress **Melissa George** is 38. Rock singer **Travis McCoy** (Gym Class Heroes) is 33. Actor **Leslie Odom Jr.** is 33. Actress **Romola Garai** is 32. Rock musician **Eric Roberts** (Gym Class Heroes) is 30.

## ODD NEWS

### Police: Teens made drug brownies during break-in

COLLEGEVILLE, Pa. (AP) — Police say two 17-year-old boys have been charged with breaking into a Pennsylvania home and baking drug-laced brownies.

Police say the burglary happened late July 22 in Perkiomen Township, though the department only recently publicized it.

Police say the boys were found with drug paraphernalia and more than 2 pounds of the unspecified drug used to make the brownies.

The boys have been charged in Montgomery County Juvenile Court.

The township is in the Philadelphia suburbs, northwest of the city.



WORLD

**Nigerian official says 7 more show Ebola symptoms**

LAGOS, Nigeria (AP) — A total of eight people in Nigeria who were in direct contact with a man who flew to Lagos and died of Ebola now have symptoms of the dreaded and deadly disease and have been placed into quarantine, a Nigerian health official said Tuesday.

Of the eight, only a doctor who treated the traveler has so far tested positive for Ebola. The others are being tested, with results pending, said Lagos state health commissioner Jide Idris.

The official death toll for the worst-ever outbreak for the disease stood on Monday at 887, according to the World Health Organization. Guinea, Sierra Leone and Liberia have been affected much more severely than Nigeria, which has experienced only one death. Though as Africa's most populous nation, Nigeria poses a grave risk of the disease catching on like wildfire.

**Scots offered more tax powers to stay with Britain**

LONDON (Bloomberg) — Chancellor of the Exchequer George Osborne pledged more powers for Scotland if voters opt to stay part of Britain, hours before a live televised debate pitting the nationalists against supporters of the union.

"There's a commitment by all the Westminster parties and therefore any combination of a U.K. government to make sure that if Scotland stays in the U.K. there will be further devolution of powers," Osborne told BBC Radio's "Today" program. This includes Conservative proposals to give Scotland more tax powers, he said, without giving more details.

Prime Minister David Cameron, Deputy Prime Minister Nick Clegg and Labour opposition leader Ed Miliband have signed a pledge guaranteeing the transfer of more policy making powers to the Scottish government in Edinburgh if voters reject independence in a referendum on Sept. 18.

**Egypt announces major expansion at Suez Canal**

CAIRO (dpa) — Egyptian authorities on Tuesday announced plans for a major upgrade of the Suez Canal, one of the world's most important waterways which connects the Mediterranean to the Red Sea.

The project will involve digging 35 kilometers of a new parallel canal and widening the existing canal along a further 37 kilometers, Suez Canal Authority chief Muhab Mumaysh told a conference in Ismailiya.

The 193-kilometer canal, first opened in 1869, already has 80 kilometers of bypass waterways, according to the authority.

President Abdel-Fattah al-Sissi told the conference that 17 Egyptian companies would be involved in implementing the project, under

the supervision of the military.

Five new residential and tourism zones are also to be built, according to online reports by state-run newspaper Al-Ahram.

**S.African quake kills 1 as tremors hit biggest cities**

JOHANNESBURG (Bloomberg) — South Africa's biggest cities were rocked by an earthquake that sent tremors through the country, killing one person near a mining town west of Johannesburg.

The 5.3 magnitude earthquake centered 3.7 miles from the town of Orkney in the country's North West province, according to a statement on the U.S. Geological Survey's website. A 31-year-old man was found dead beneath some rubble after a wall fell on him, Luyanda Majija, spokeswoman for emergency services ER24, said by phone from Johannesburg.

"Everything was moving up and down like a giant wave," James Piepers, 51, a mine manager at closely held China African Precious Metals in Orkney, said by phone.

**Fighting flares between Armenia, Azerbaijan**

(LA Times) — As the conflict between Ukraine and Russia flares into a sixth month, two other former Soviet republics are now engaged in renewed fighting over the remote, mountainous enclave of Nagorno-Karabakh.

A six-year war between Armenian and Azerbaijani troops had been dormant since a truce was brokered by Russia 20 years ago — until clashes resumed in the South Caucasus region last week.

On Monday, the governments in Yerevan and Baku reported the worst bloodshed over the disputed territory in two decades had taken the lives of 13 Azerbaijanis and six Armenians.

Russian Foreign Minister Sergei Lavrov told the Itar-Tass news agency that he had asked the leaders of both countries to meet with Russian mediators in the Black Sea resort of Sochi on Friday to try to work out a plan to restore peace.

**Obama announces \$33B in Africa aid**

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Barack Obama says the U.S. must do more to boost its financial foothold in Africa as economies on the continent grow stronger.

Obama is speaking at a U.S.-Africa summit in Washington that has brought together business leaders and politicians. In conjunction with the summit, the White House is announcing \$33 billion in commitments aimed at increasing U.S. economic ties with Africa.

A big part of the money, \$14 billion, is coming from the private sector. Among the companies announcing new commitments are Coca-Cola and General Electric.

**Ukraine fighting reaches rebel-held Donetsk**

DONETSK, Ukraine (AP) — Fighting in eastern Ukraine reached the main rebel stronghold of Donetsk on Tuesday as separatists and government troops exchanged rocket fire in neighborhoods on the edge of the city.

In a western district of Donetsk, rockets apparently fired from a government position landed in the courtyard of a one-story house, killing an elderly resident.

The spread of fighting into the city itself marks a decisive turn for the conflict, but one that will arouse fears of an alarming escalation in the humanitarian crisis gripping the country's easternmost regions.

As government troops try to tighten their encirclement of rebel citadels, officials in Kiev have warned of a spike in Russian troop numbers along the border, arousing renewed fears of intervention by Moscow. In the morning,



AP PHOTO

**A local resident calls to his neighbor from a damaged house after shelling in Petrovsky district in the city of Donetsk, eastern Ukraine Tuesday.**

an Associated Press journalist saw a tank bearing the Ukrainian blue-and-yellow flag at a key checkpoint in the western suburb of Marinka, which lies on a road into Donetsk.

Rebel combatants could still be seen hunkered down in sniper positions in a nearby area closer to the center.

Defense officials swiftly played down the presence of government troops in Marinka,

insisting that more fighting lay ahead before the area could be properly secured.

By the afternoon, however, there were signs the army was looking to advance further into the city.

The shell that landed by the house in western Donetsk's Petrovsky district killed a resident that neighbors identified only as Galina, along with her dog.

An AP journalist saw

Galina's body as it was covered by a plastic sheet and carried from her house by rescue workers.

Her next-door neighbor, Sergei Lozinsky, 47, said he was in his house when the blast hit.

"I fell to the ground and covered my head with my arms when the shell fell. It all happened so fast. And my windows were all blown out," he said.

Another neighbor, 32-year old teacher Nataliya Subbota, said Galina had until recently taken refuge in bomb shelters.

"We hid in basements night and day. The shelling would get quiet and then start again. But every day they became more intense," Subbota said, before referring to Galina by a nickname. "Granny Galya got sick of hiding with us in the basement. And now look what has happened."

Separatist fighters responded to incoming fire with rocket attacks of their own.

**Militants target second Iraq dam**

BAGHDAD, Iraq (Bloomberg) — Islamic militants in Iraq are battling to seize two of country's largest dams as a breakaway al-Qaida group seeks to consolidate control over the territory it took this year.

Fighting between militants from the so-called Islamic State and Kurdish security forces raged for a third day near the Mosul dam, Iraq's largest, Hisham al-Brefkani, member of the Nineveh provincial council, said

in a phone interview. About 350 kilometers (200 miles) to the south, Iraqi forces engaged militants in the farmland and villages near the Haditha dam, Khalid al-Hadithi, a city council chairman, said in an interview.

The Islamic State, previously known as Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant, has grabbed territory throughout Iraq and Syria and declared its own self-styled caliphate, highlighting the central government's

inability to ensure security under Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki. Strengthened with weapons seized from the Iraqi army, the group this week seized two oil fields and predominantly Kurdish towns in the north, forcing thousands to flee their homes.

"The Kurdish military status has changed from a defensive one to an offensive one," al-Brefkani said.

Kurdish forces also launched a counterattack

on Sinjar and Zummar, which were seized by militants during the past few days, he said.

In Sinjar, used during the filming of The Exorcist about 40 years ago, the fighting overnight went back and forth, with the majority of the district still under the control of the militants, Sheikh Ahmed Al-Obaidi, a resident of the nearby city of Rabia'ah, said in a phone interview from Mosul.

**Comet-chasing probe reaches destination**

LONDON (Bloomberg) — Europe's Rosetta spacecraft reaches its final destination Wednesday after a decade-long journey into deep space that aims to place the first lander on a comet.

Rosetta will begin orbiting the Churyumov-Gerasimenko comet to glean information about the mass of dirty ice, dust and gas, according to the European Space Agency, which launched the probe in 2004. In November, it's due to send a smaller landing craft down onto the comet to take more measurements.

"This is the start of the real mission that Rosetta was built for — it's the kickoff of the real science phase," said Gerhard Schwehm, an ESA

consultant and manager of the mission from its liftoff until he retired last year. "We're at the comet and now starting to monitor it and study it in detail."

Scientists hope to learn about the early evolution of the solar system by studying comets, which date back 4.6 billion years when the planets were forming. Researchers also are searching for organic molecules that represent the building blocks for life, which comets may have brought to Earth in its early years.

"It'll help us to model better the evolution of the planets out of the pre-solar nebula," Schwehm said by phone from ESA's mission control in Darmstadt, Germany. "There will be a lot of information that

helps us understand how processes worked and what happened 4 1/2 billion years ago. It's information from the infancy of our solar system."

The Rosetta mission is the first attempt to orbit and land a probe on a comet. ESA's first deep-space mission, Giotto, was sent to investigate Halley's Comet in 1986. The U.S.

National Aeronautics and Space Administration has also launched two missions to study comets in the past 20 years.

Rosetta is due to perform a final slowing maneuver shortly after 11 a.m. Darmstadt time today. That will place the craft in an initial triangular orbit about 60 miles from the comet, according to Schwehm.

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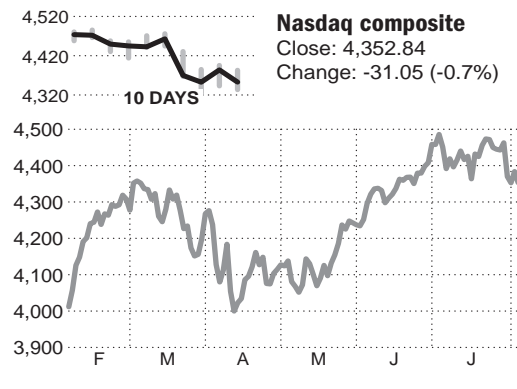
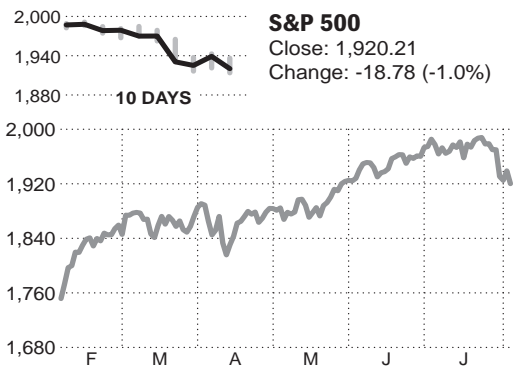
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Table of stock price changes categorized by sector, including DOW Trans, DOW Util, NYSE Comp, and NASDAQ.

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Interestrates



The yield on the 10-year Treasury rose to 2.49 percent Tuesday. Yields affect rates on mortgages and other consumer loans.

Table of Treasury yields for various terms: 3-month T-bill, 6-month T-bill, 52-wk T-bill, 2-year T-note, 5-year T-note, 10-year T-note, 30-year T-bond.

Table of Bond yields for various categories: Barclays Long T-Bid, Bond Buyer Muni Ixd, Barclays USA Aggregate, etc.

Foreign Exchange

The dollar was mixed against other major currencies. It rose against the euro, but it also fell modestly against the British pound. It remained flat against the Japanese yen.

MAJORS

Table of major currency exchange rates: USD per British Pound, Canadian Dollar, USD per Euro, Japanese Yen, Mexican Peso, etc.

EUROPE/AFRICA/MIDDLE EAST

Table of exchange rates for European, African, and Middle Eastern currencies: Israeli Shekel, Norwegian Krone, South African Rand, etc.

ASIA/PACIFIC

Table of exchange rates for Asian and Pacific currencies: Australian Dollar, Chinese Yuan, Hong Kong Dollar, etc.

Commodities

Crude oil fell for the sixth time in the last seven days. It dropped at one point to \$97 per barrel, its lowest level since Feb. 5. Natural gas rose for the third time in four days.

FUELS

Table of fuel prices: Crude Oil (bbl), Ethanol (gal), Heating Oil (gal), Natural Gas (mm btu), Unleaded Gas (gal).

METALS

Table of metal prices: Silver (oz), Platinum (oz), Copper (lb), Palladium (oz).

AGRICULTURE

Table of agricultural commodity prices: Cattle (lb), Coffee (lb), Corn (bu), Cotton (lb), Lumber (1,000 bd ft), Orange Juice (lb), Soybeans (bu), Wheat (bu).

Stock Footnotes: Stock Footnotes: cld - Issue has been called for redemption by company. d - New 52-week low. ec - Company formerly listed on the American Exchange's Emerging Company Marketplace. g - Dividends and earnings in Canadian dollars. h - Does not meet continued-listing standards. If - Late filing with SEC. n - Stock was a new issue in the last year. The 52-week high and low figures date only from the beginning of trading. pf - Preferred stock issue. pr - Preferences. pu - Holder owes installments of purchase price. r - Right to buy security at a specified price. rs - Stock has undergone a reverse stock split of at least 50% within the past year. s - Stock has split by at least 20 percent within the last year. w - Trades will be settled when the stock is issued. wd - When distributed. wt - Warrant, allowing a purchase of a stock. u - New 52-week high. un - Unit, including more than one security. vi - Company in bankruptcy or receivership, or being reorganized under the bankruptcy law. Appears in front of the name. Stocks in bold are worth at least \$5 and traded 5 percent or more in price. Underlining for 50 most actively traded stocks of the day. Dividend Footnotes: a - Extra dividends were paid, but are not included. b - Annual rate plus stock. c - Liquidating dividend. e - Amount declared or paid in last 12 months. i - Current annual rate, which was increased by most recent dividend announcement. j - Sum of dividends paid after stock split, no regular rate. j - Sum of dividends paid this year. Most recent dividend was omitted or deferred. k - Declared or paid this year, a cumulative issue with dividends in arrears. m - Current annual rate, which was decreased by most recent dividend announcement. p - Initial dividend. annual rate not known. yield not shown. r - Declared or paid in preceding 12 months plus stock dividend. l - Paid in stock approximate cash value on ex-distribution date. PE Footnotes: q - Stock is a closed-end fund - no P/E ratio shown. c - P/E exceeds 99. dd - Loss in last 12 months. Mutual Fund Footnotes: b - Fee covering market costs is paid from fund assets. d - Deferred sales charge, or redemption fee. f - Front load (sales charges). m - Multiple fees are charged, usually a marketing fee and either a sales or redemption fee. NA - Not available. p - Previous day's net asset value. s - fund split shares during the week. x - fund paid a distribution during the week. Source: Morningstar and the Associated Press.







■ **NFL: Tampa Bay**

**BUCCANEERS AT JAGUARS**

**WHO:** Tampa Bay (0-0) at Jacksonville (0-0)  
**WHAT:** Preseason opener for both teams  
**WHEN:** Friday, 7:30 p.m.  
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## Smith says Sims 'has it'

By **RICK STROUD**  
 TAMPA BAY TIMES

TAMPA — At 6 feet, 213 pounds, Charles Sims looks like a power runner, a bone-jarring back who doesn't run to daylight as much as he punches a hole in the wall to create it. Then when tacklers brace for contact, he turns on the jets and makes moves that would cause a chiropractor to grimace.

"I just want to mix it up," Sims said of his running style. "You want to give them a move every now and then. Then to keep them on their toes, you just want to go straight forward. You give them the wiggle and the next time they expect the wiggle and I just go right through them."

A change of pace was also what the Tampa Bay Buccaneers sought when they drafted Sims in the third round from West Virginia.

**SIMS | 6**

■ **NFL: Technology**

## A small step for NFL

By **RACHEL COHEN**  
 ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK — NFL teams used to take Polaroid pictures of plays from atop the stadium during games then send them down to the field on a rope.

Technology improved so that an automated camera could deliver the images to a printer on the sideline, creating that familiar sight of a quarterback staring at a sheet of paper to figure out what went wrong on an interception.

That was still the case last season, when fans in the stands could watch highlights on their smartphones, but players and coaches were flipping through three-ring binders of black-and-white photos.

The NFL sideline is finally catching up. Sort of.

Tablets were allowed for the first time starting with Sunday's Hall of Fame

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■ **GOLF: Rory McIlroy**

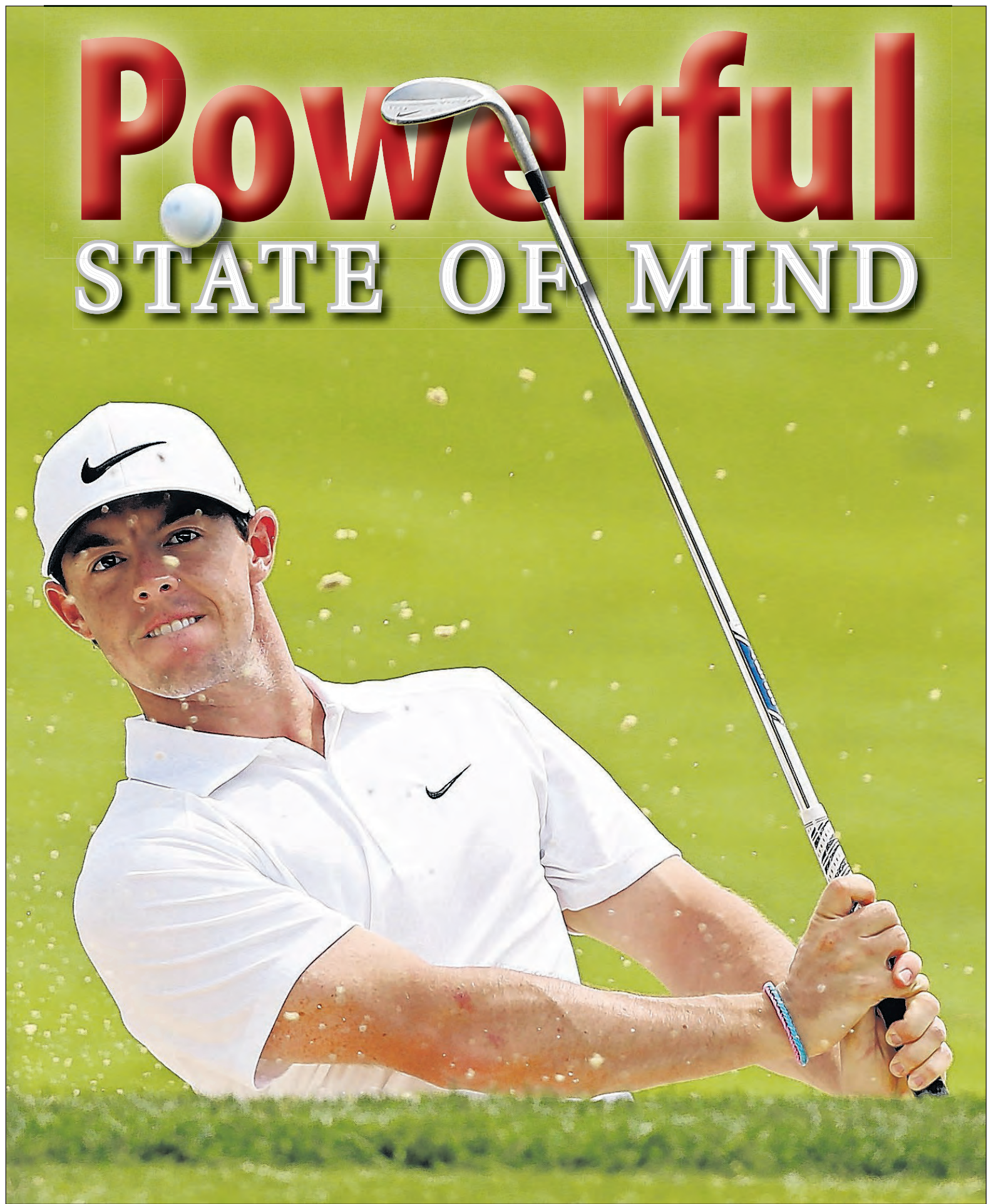


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Rory McIlroy hits out of the sand on the seventh hole during practice for the PGA Championship on Tuesday at Valhalla Country Club in Louisville, Ky.

**WORLD RANKINGS**

As of Aug. 4, previous ranking in parenthesis:

1. (2) Rory McIlroy 9.41
2. (1) Adam Scott 9.24
3. (5) Sergio Garcia 7.78
4. (3) Henrik Stenson 7.67
5. (4) Justin Rose 7.46
6. (6) Matt Kuchar 6.77
7. (7) Bubba Watson 6.67
8. (8) Jim Furyk 6.48
9. (9) Jason Day 6.19
10. (10) Tiger Woods 5.91

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## Confident McIlroy balks at 'Rory era' talk

By **MARK LAMPORT-STOKES**  
 REUTERS

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — With his confidence sky-high and his golf "in really good shape," Rory McIlroy said he has never driven the ball better as he heads into this week's PGA Championship fresh from wins in his last two tournaments.

The Northern Irishman clinched his third career major in wire-to-wire fashion at last month's British Open, then landed his first World Golf Championships title at the WGC-Bridgestone Invitational on Sunday.

McIlroy is especially delighted with the state of his mental approach to the game, though he is wary of any media hype that the sport is entering a "Rory era" of individual dominance.

"I've had a great run of golf and I've played well over the past few months," the newly crowned world number one told reporters at Valhalla Golf Club on Tuesday while preparing for the season's final major.

"I said at the start of the year that golf was looking for someone to put their hand up and sort of become one of the dominant

players in the game. I felt like I had the ability to do that.

"It's just nice to be able to win a few tournaments and get back to where I feel like I should be, which is near the top of the world rankings, competing in majors and winning golf tournaments."

McIlroy, who regained the world number one ranking from Australian Adam Scott with his WGC victory at Firestone on Sunday, felt that any talk of a new era was premature.

"Sometimes I feel that people are too quick to jump to conclusions

**MCILROY | 2**

■ **MLB: Biogenesis case**

## Clinic owner charged in MLB doping scandal

By **ZACHARY FAGENSON**  
 REUTERS



AP PHOTO

Anthony Bosch, former owner of the Biogenesis of America clinic, leaves the federal courthouse after bonding out on Tuesday in Miami.

MIAMI — The owner of a defunct Florida anti-aging clinic at the center of a doping scandal that led to the suspension of Major League Baseball superstar Alex Rodriguez has agreed to plead guilty to distributing testosterone, according to federal court documents filed on Tuesday.

The U.S. government filed criminal charges against Anthony Bosch and six others tied to the clinic, where

federal prosecutors allege professional athletes paid as much as \$12,000 per month for testosterone-filled syringes and creams.

Bosch, who faced one count of conspiracy to distribute testosterone, a felony punishable by up to 10 years in prison, would possibly get a lesser sentence under terms of a plea deal finalized on Monday.

Bosch was released on a \$100,000 bond, ESPN reported.

The first federal

criminal charges filed in one of U.S. sports' biggest doping scandals also ensnared Yuri Sucart, a cousin of Rodriguez, the New York Yankees slugger and baseball's highest paid player, suspended for the entire 2014 season.

None of the dozen or so players who were suspended in the fallout from the scandal involving the Miami-area Biogenesis clinic faced criminal charges on Tuesday.

**DOPING | 3**



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Aug. 5N	0-2-5
Aug. 5D	2-3-3
Aug. 4N	6-5-2
Aug. 4D	4-8-4
Aug. 3N	5-1-4
Aug. 3D	9-9-0
D-Day, N-Night	

**■ PLAY 4**

Aug. 5N	5-2-6-6
Aug. 5D	3-5-6-7
Aug. 4N	0-7-7-8
Aug. 4D	2-3-6-5
Aug. 3N	8-7-7-5
Aug. 3D	1-9-1-0
D-Day, N-Night	

**■ FANTASY 5**

Aug. 5	2-25-30-34-35
Aug. 4	14-19-22-31-35
Aug. 3	2-4-6-14-30
Aug. 2	8-9-10-26-31

**PAYOFF FOR AUG. 4**

3 5-digit winners	\$66,472.37
231 4-digit winners	\$139
7,471 3-digit winners	\$12

**LUCKY MONEY**

Aug. 5	N/A
Lucky Ball	N/A
...	
Aug. 1	6-12-30-46
Lucky Ball	9

**PAYOFF FOR AUG. 1**

0 4-of-4 LB	\$600,000
5 4-of-4	\$1,599
46 3-of-4 LB	\$380.50
836 3-of-4	\$61.50

**■ LOTTO**

Aug. 2	3-5-9-19-44-50
July 30	8-31-35-36-44-51

**PAYOFF FOR AUG. 2**

0 6-digit winners	\$11M
31 5-digit winners	\$4,052.50
2,047 4-digit winners	\$53.50
39,557 3-digit winners	\$5

**■ POWERBALL**

Aug. 2	12-26-44-46-47
Powerball	29
...	
July 30	13-30-42-49-53
Powerball	29

**PAYOFF FOR AUG. 2**

0 5 of 5 + PB	\$70M
0 5 of 5	\$1,000,000
0 4 of 5 + PB	\$10,000
62 4 of 5	\$100

**ESTIMATED JACKPOT**  
\$80 million

**■ MEGA MILLIONS**

Aug. 5	25-28-36-45-53
MegaBall	6
...	
Aug. 1	13-29-34-37-72
MegaBall	6

**PAYOFF FOR AUG. 1**

0 5 of 5 + MB	\$87M
0 5 of 5	\$1,000,000
2 4 of 5 + MB	\$5,000
14 4 of 5	\$500

**ESTIMATED JACKPOT**  
\$100 million

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## THIS WEEK ON TOUR

### PGA OF AMERICA

**PGA CHAMPIONSHIP**  
**SITE:** Louisville, Ky.  
**SCHEDULE:** Thursday-Sunday.  
**COURSE:** Valhalla Golf Club (7,458 yards, par 71).  
**PURSE:** \$10 million. Winner's share: \$1.8 million.  
**TV:** TNT (Thursday-Friday, 1-7 p.m.; Saturday-Sunday, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.) and CBS (Saturday-Sunday, 2-7 p.m.).  
**DEFENDING CHAMPION:** Jason Dufner.  
**NOTES:** Tiger Woods, the 2000 winner at Valhalla, withdrew from the Bridgestone Invitational in the final round because of a back injury. ... The tournament ends the points race for the nine automatic spots on the U.S. Ryder Cup team. ... McIlroy won by eight shots in 2012 at Kiawah Island to break the tournament record for margin of victory.  
**ONLINE:** [www.pga.com/pgachampionship](http://www.pga.com/pgachampionship)

### LPGA TOUR

**MEIJER LPGA CLASSIC**  
**SITE:** Belmont, Mich.  
**SCHEDULE:** Thursday-Sunday.  
**COURSE:** Blytheheld Country Club (6,414 yards, par 71).  
**PURSE:** \$1.5 million. Winner's share: \$225,000.  
**TV:** Golf Channel (Thursday-Sunday, 5-7 p.m.).  
**DEFENDING CHAMPION:** Inaugural event.  
**NOTES:** Top-ranked Stacy Lewis is in the field along with No. 2 Lydia Ko, No. 3 Inbee Park, No. 4 Suzann Pettersen and No. 5 Lexi Thompson. U.S. Women's Open champion Michelle Wie and Women's British Open winner Mo Martin also are playing. ... The tournament is the tour's first in Michigan since the 2000 Oldsmobile Classic in East Lansing. ... The LPGA Championship is next week in Pittsford, N.Y.  
**ONLINE:** [www.lpga.com](http://www.lpga.com)

### WEB.COM TOUR

**PRICE CUTTER CHARITY CHAMPIONSHIP**  
**SITE:** Springfield, Mo.  
**SCHEDULE:** Thursday-Sunday.  
**COURSE:** Highland Springs Country Club (7,115 yards, par 72).  
**PURSE:** \$675,000. Winner's share: \$121,500.  
**TV:** None.  
**DEFENDING CHAMPION:** Andrew Svoboda.  
**NOTES:** Jarrod Lyle is making his second U.S. start since his second bout with leukemia. The 32-year-old Australian tied for 11th two weeks ago the Midwest Classic. ... The tournament is in its 25th season, all at Robert Trent Jones Jr.-designed Highland Springs. It's one of four remaining events from the tour's first season. ... The News Sentinel Open is next week in Knoxville, Tenn., followed by the Portland Open.  
**ONLINE:** [www.pgatour.com](http://www.pgatour.com)

### USGA

**U.S. WOMEN'S AMATEUR**  
**SITE:** Glen Cove, N.Y.  
**SCHEDULE:** Through Sunday.  
**COURSE:** Nassau Country Club (6,297 yards, par 70).  
**TV:** Golf Channel (today, 3-5 p.m.; Thursday, 1-3 a.m., 3-5 p.m.; Friday-Sunday, 3-5 a.m., 3-5 p.m.).  
**DEFENDING CHAMPION:** Emma Talley.  
**NOTES:** The top 64 in stroke-play qualifying will advance to match play, starting today. ... Talley is in the field. ... Princess Mary Superal of the Philippines won the U.S. Girls' Junior last month. ... Sixteen-year-old Brooke Mackenzie Henderson of Canada was the low amateur in the U.S. Women's Open. ... The 2014 event also was played at Seth Raynor-designed Nassau. ... The 2015 event will be played at Portland Golf Club in Oregon.  
**ONLINE:** [www.usga.org](http://www.usga.org)

### CHAMPIONS TOUR

**NEXT EVENT:** Dick's Sporting Goods Open, Aug. 15-17, En-Joie Golf Course, Endicott, N.Y.  
**LAST WEEK:** Kenny Perry won the 3M Championship in Blaine, Minn., for his second victory of the year.  
**ONLINE:** [www.pgatour.com](http://www.pgatour.com)

### OTHER TOURNAMENTS

**PGA TOUR CANADA:** Forces and Families Open, Thursday-Sunday, Hylands Golf Club, Ottawa, Ontario.  
**ONLINE:** [www.pgatourcanada.com](http://www.pgatourcanada.com)  
**EUROPEAN CHALLENGE TOUR:** Norwegian Challenge, Thursday-Sunday, Miklagard Golf Club, Klofta, Norway.  
**ONLINE:** [www.europeantour.com](http://www.europeantour.com)

—Associated Press

### ■ PREP VOLLEYBALL

# Reinstated sports spell relief

## Return of middle school athletics pleases high school coaches

By **DAWN KLEMISH**  
 SUN CORRESPONDENT

**PORT CHARLOTTE** — When Christine Burkhart stepped into the Port Charlotte High School gym as junior varsity volleyball coach, the former Pirate standout knew exactly what to expect from her team.

Or so she thought. "In my mind I remember what it was in 1991," Burkhart, now the Pirates varsity coach, said. "Half of the team was really, really good because they played in middle school and the other half were casual.

"When I walked in though, I realized I was starting with basic skills for most of the crew. We were starting from scratch, and that's when

my eyes were wide open." Charlotte County eliminated middle school athletics because of a lack of money in 2010, meaning crops of eighth graders entering high school were largely unprepared to compete at a high level, and Burkhart said the program suffered because of it.

"On varsity, we are currently competing against schools that have been training together for years, and it's tough to do," she said. "It costs a lot to play club, and because there were no middle school sports programs outside of intramural, we have definitely struggled."

To Burkhart's relief and that of the other two area schools affected — Lemon Bay and Charlotte

High schools — Charlotte County reinstated a number of sports to begin this school year, volleyball among them.

"We never want to take anything away from the kids once they have it, and that's the hardest thing any time you make cuts," Charlotte County community liaison Mike Riley said. "We want to be able to do more. We want kids, especially at the middle school level, to get involved in extracurricular activities, and then the budget worked out.

"I think the kids will be excited, we're definitely excited, and we hope the turnout is huge."

Manta Rays coach Stacy DeWolfe echoed Burkhart's enthusiasm, adding she hopes the added time athletes

spend competing before they get to high school will bring Charlotte County volleyball back into the spotlight.

"The kids learn if they really have the dedication earlier," she added. "Especially since our high school doesn't have a freshman team, the girls have to be ready to play with upperclassmen."

To help offset the estimated \$25,000 middle school sports will cost the county, each child must pay \$20 for one sport, \$30 for two or more, and \$40 for a "family rate" that includes multiple children and sports.

Burkhart, who noted a typical club volleyball season costs each child upward of \$100, celebrated that children who had once been left out of

competition because of costs once again have a place to play.

"I've been shouting it from the rooftops," she said. "Part of reason we struggle in our county is because everywhere else has middle school volleyball. It is really, really great the county has brought it back, that they see the importance of it.

"You look at kids, a lot of their successes in school depend upon what they do extracurricular-wise, and a lot of them miss opportunities when they have to pay. I think it's fantastic, and I am really excited."

Charlotte High School declined comment for this story.



PHOTO BY BRIAN SPURLOCK/USA TODAY SPORTS

**Rory McIlroy signs autographs after walking off the ninth green Tuesday during practice for the PGA Championship at Valhalla Country Club in Louisville, Ky.**

## MCILROY

FROM PAGE 1

and jump on the bandwagon, jump on certain things," said the 25-year-old from Hollywood in County Down.

"I'm not necessarily sure you can call that an era or the start of an era, but I'm just really happy with where my golf game is at the minute and I just want to try and continue that for as long as possible.

"People can say what they want to say, that's fine. But I can't read too much into it. I just need to continue to practice hard and play well."

McIlroy won his first major title by eight shots at the 2011 U.S. Open, then added a second with the 2012 PGA Championship at Kiawah Island, where he also triumphed by eight.

"Historically, the PGA Championship has probably been my best major," said McIlroy, who

has recorded four-top 10s at the event in just five career starts.

"The win at Kiawah in 2012, but then a couple of third-place finishes ... it's been a tournament that I've really enjoyed and a tournament that I've had some success at. Hopefully I can continue that trend this week."

Asked which area of his game gave him the most confidence at the moment, McIlroy replied: "My approach to the game, my mental state. That's really what I'm happy about.

"I'm not dwelling on the results that I've had and I'm just trying to keep moving forward, focus on the next week.

"People can talk about my driving or how I'm swinging the club, but mentally, I just feel like I'm in a really good place."

McIlroy is driving the golf ball prodigious distances while sacrificing very little accuracy off the tee, the result of hard work in the gym to

strengthen his body.

"I'm definitely hitting it longer over the past couple years," he said. "I've always had the speed and I've always had the power, but I haven't really had the strength or the stability to hold on to it my whole way through the swing.

"I've put on three kilograms (about 6½ pounds) of muscle in the last eight weeks, so that definitely helps. I'm the heaviest I've ever been. I don't feel like I need to put on any more distance.

"If I can hit it over 300 yards and in the fairway most of the time, I'm happy enough with that. That gives me plenty of opportunities to hit it close to flags and try and make birdies. The past couple of weeks, it's the best I've driven the ball."

McIlroy will tee off in Thursday's opening round at Valhalla in the company of the year's other major winners — American Bubba Watson (Masters) and German Martin Kaymer (U.S. Open).

## QUICK HITS

### BASEBALL

**Game Day Heat:** 12U travel team looking for players. Practices Tuesdays and Thursdays, 6 p.m. at North Charlotte Regional Park. Call Scott, 941-421-8378.

**Hit Factory:** Venice team seeks experienced managers, coaches for travel teams ages 9-12. Teams will train at the Hit Factory, including a strength and agility program designed for their age group. Call Dave, 941-716-4451.

**Port Charlotte Little League registration:** Aug. 30, Sept. 6, 13, 20 and 27; at Harold Ave. Recreation Center; 10 a.m.-noon; season starts Sept. 29. Cost: \$45/player. Child's birth certificate and proof of residency documents required to register. Log on to [www.portcharlottelittleleague.com](http://www.portcharlottelittleleague.com) or call 941-629-0114.

### BADMINTON

**Play dates:** Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9:30 a.m.-noon, year-round, Englewood Sports Complex. All levels of play. Cost: \$2/session. Rackets and shuttles provided. Call Terry, 941-740-0364.

### BOXING

**Youth and adult classes:** Male and female. Mondays-Fridays, 6-8 p.m. at 24710 Sandhill Blvd., Deep Creek. Training and/or competition. Member of USA Boxing. Call 239-292-9230 or visit [CharlotteHarborBoxing.com](http://CharlotteHarborBoxing.com), [www.facebook.com/CharlotteHarborBoxingGymnasium](http://www.facebook.com/CharlotteHarborBoxingGymnasium).

### CHEERLEADING

**Franz Ross Park YMCA:** For ages 5-13. Register in person, online at [CharlotteCountyYMCA.com](http://CharlotteCountyYMCA.com) or call 941-629-9622. Cost: \$43 for members, \$65 for nonmembers.

### FOOTBALL

**Test drive for Manta football:** Lemon Bay Touchdown Club has planned a Drive 4 UR Team for 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Saturday at Englewood Ford, 1908 South McCall Rd. Participants

may test drive any of several models of Ford vehicles to help raise funds for the team, have their own cars washed by football players and enjoy a free cookout. Ford will make a donation to the Touchdown Club for each person who comes in for a test drive during the Drive 4 UR Team hours. For more information, visit [LBTDClub.com](http://LBTDClub.com) and "like" the Lemon Bay Touchdown Club on Facebook.

### GYMNASTICS

**Franz Ross Park YMCA:** Intro to Tumbling for ages 3-5. Register in person, online at [CharlotteCountyYMCA.com](http://CharlotteCountyYMCA.com) or call 91-629-9622. Cost: \$30/members, \$60/nonmembers.

### PRESCHOOLERS

**Franz Ross Park YMCA:** Soccer, T-Ball and All Sport for ages 3-4. Register in person, online at [CharlotteCountyYMCA.com](http://CharlotteCountyYMCA.com) or call 941-629-9622. Cost: \$30/members, \$60/nonmembers.

### RUNNING

**Team V Fitness:** 5K and 10K programs. Strength and conditioning also offered. Contact Scott or Krissy, 941-889-9914.

**Venice YMCA Triathlon:** Aug. 30, 7:30 a.m. Quarter-mile swim, 14.6 mile bike ride and 3.1 mile run on closed course in Venice. USAT sanctioned. Cost: \$75/individuals, \$150/teams (2 or 3 people) by Thursday. \$85/individuals, \$170/teams by Aug. 28. Final race in SCFYMCA race series. Send registration and check to SCFYMCA/Venice Triathlon, 701 Center Rd., Venice FL, 34285.

### SOFTBALL

**60-plus evening slow-pitch registration:** Tuesdays and Thursdays, 5 p.m., at the Carmalita Complex in Punta Gorda. Season starts Sept. 9. Anyone turning 60 by Jan. 1, 2015 is eligible. Call Vince, 941-624-3630.

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■ NBA NOTEBOOK

SWEET 16

The 16 NBA players who made the first cut for Team USA:

DeMarcus Cousins	Sacramento
Stephen Curry	Golden State
Anthony Davis	New Orleans
DeMar DeRozan	Toronto
Andre Drummond	Detroit
Kevin Durant	Oklahoma City
Kenneth Faried	Denver
James Harden	Houston
Gordon Hayward	Utah
Kyrie Irving	Cleveland
Kyle Korver	Atlanta
Damian Lillard	Portland
Chandler Parsons	Dallas
Mason Plumlee	Brooklyn
Derrick Rose	Chicago
Klay Thompson	Golden State

# USA roster down to 16

BY THE SPORTS XCHANGE

LAS VEGAS — Team USA trimmed its roster to 16 players as it departs training camp and shifts gears to Chicago for workouts and an exhibition showcase with Brazil.

Twelve of those players will make the final roster. Team USA finalists will practice Aug. 14-15 at the Quest Multisport Complex, Chicago, and play an exhibition contest versus Brazil at the United Center on Aug. 16. The World Cup is played Aug. 30-Sept. 14 in Spain. Group C will include Team USA, the Dominican Republic, Finland, New Zealand, Turkey and Ukraine. The first game for the United States is scheduled for Aug. 30 against Finland.

**Spurs hire WNBA star as assistant coach:** San Antonio Spurs coach Gregg Popovich added longtime WNBA player Becky Hammon to his staff as an assistant coach. Hammon is finishing her 16th WNBA season and her eighth with the San Antonio Stars. She announced last month that she is retiring as a player at the end of the 2014 season. Hammon, a six-time WNBA All-Star who missed the previous season because of a knee injury, ranks seventh in WNBA history in points (5,809), fourth in assists (1,687) and sixth in games (445).

**Love trade to Cavs nearly complete:** A three-team deal that would send Kevin Love to the Cleveland Cavaliers and Andrew Wiggins to the Minnesota Timberwolves is near completion, ESPN's Brian Windhorst said on ESPN Radio New York. Also, Cavaliers forward Anthony Bennett, the No. 1 overall draft pick in 2013, would go to the Philadelphia 76ers as part of a deal for forward Thaddeus Young. An undetermined number of draft picks will also be involved. Minnesota Timberwolves owner Glen Taylor said Love will likely be traded to the Cavaliers by Aug. 23 or Aug. 24.

**Cavs recruiting Marion:** With LeBron James leading the recruiting effort, the Cleveland Cavaliers are growing optimistic about their chances of signing veteran free agent forward Shawn Marion. Marion, 36, visited with Cavaliers general manager David Griffin, who was in Phoenix when Marion starred for the Suns. Marion could have been a topic of discussion when, according to ESPN.com, James met Griffin and Cavs coach David Blatt for the first time.

**Around the league:** Golden State Warriors center Marreese Speights was arrested early Tuesday and charged with suspicion of driving under the influence in Tampa, a second-degree misdemeanor. Speights, who turned 27 on Monday, was released from jail after posting a \$500 bond. ... Brooklyn Nets center Brook Lopez has recovered from a broken foot suffered early last season and received clearance to return to the court.

■ MLB NOTEBOOK

# Report: 3 finalists for commissioner

BY THE SPORTS XCHANGE

Major League Baseball has a list of three finalists to succeed commissioner Bud Selig, a high-ranking MLB executive with direct knowledge of the hiring process told USA Today Sports on Tuesday.

The owners will reportedly choose between Rob Manfred, Tim Brosnan and Tom Werner during an Aug. 14 vote.

Manfred, MLB's chief operating officer for the past 15 years, has worked closely with Selig during his tenure. His career highlights include helping to broker labor deals and having a major hand in helping the Los Angeles Dodgers through bankruptcy.

Brosnan, who has worked as MLB's executive vice president of business for 23 years, has been a major player in broadcasting, licensing and sponsorship deals that have helped expand revenues.

Werner, a Boston Red Sox chairman who has also been a member of the ownership group for 12 years, worked as a television executive prior to joining the Red Sox. He is also chairman for Liverpool FC of the English Premier League.

The new commissioner needs 23 of 30 votes to be elected. If no candidate is elected on the first ballot, owners would vote until a candidate is elected.

The 80-year-old Selig

announced his retirement in September 2013. He is scheduled to stay aboard until Jan. 24, ending a tenure of 45 years with Major League Baseball, including the last 22 as commissioner.

**McCutchen dealing with broken rib:** Pittsburgh Pirates outfielder Andrew McCutchen has a fractured rib but the team has not put him on the disabled list. "We continue to evaluate Andrew's progress and he will remain on the active roster," Pirates general manager Neal Huntington said. With McCutchen out of the lineup, the Pirates activated outfielder Sterling Marte from the concussion disabled list. The reigning National League Most Valuable Player said he is hoping for a quick recovery to avoid a stint on the DL.

**Around the majors:** An

injury-plagued season officially ended for Boston Red Sox outfielder Shane Victorino, who will undergo lower back surgery next week. Meanwhile, newly acquired Allen Craig was placed on the 15-day disabled list with a sprained ankle. Dr. Robert Watkins, a spine specialist, will perform the back procedure on Victorino on Tuesday in Los Angeles. An MRI showed that Victorino might be in need of back surgery and Watkins confirmed the test findings. ...

The Milwaukee Brewers sent right-hander Matt Garza to the disabled list with a strained oblique muscle. To take his place on the roster, the Brewers recalled right-hander Rob Wooten from Triple-A Nashville. It's unknown how long Garza will be sidelined. ...

The Detroit Tigers signed struggling reliever Jim Johnson to a minor-league contract in an attempt to bolster their bullpen. The Oakland Athletics released Johnson last week

after he posted a 4-2 record, two saves and a 7.14 ERA with 24 walks and 28 strikeouts in 38 outings covering 40 1/3 innings this season. ...

The Washington Nationals claimed left-handed reliever Matt Thornton off waivers from the New York Yankees. The 37-year-old appeared in 46 games for the Yankees this year and posted an 0-3 record with a 2.55 ERA in 24 2/3 innings. ...

The Cleveland Indians recalled right-hander Josh Tomlin from Triple-A Columbus, optioned outfielder Tyler Holt to Columbus and activated outfielder Nyger Morgan from the 60-day disabled list and released him. ...

New York Yankees pitcher Masahiro Tanaka threw again with increased intensity from flat ground as he attempts to work his way back from a small ligament tear in his right elbow. The Japanese sensation was 12-4 with a 2.51 ERA before he was injured last month.

■ MLB: Tampa Bay notebook

# Hellickson hoping for a strong start

By MARC TOPKIN  
TAMPA BAY TIMES

OAKLAND, Calif. — RHP Jeremy Hellickson takes the mound this afternoon for his fourth start since coming off the disabled list and is hoping to get through five innings for the first time.

Part of the issue is that Hellickson needs to pitch better. In 13 2/3 innings since returning from January elbow surgery, he has allowed 17 hits (for a .304 average) and five walks.

"The main thing is to attack the zone more and attack the zone more," Hellickson said.

But a bigger part may be regaining the confidence of manager Joe Maddon, who has been quick to pull him at the first signs of trouble.

"I haven't pitched well, I haven't really given him a reason to leave me out there," Hellickson said. "Obviously I'd like to get a chance to work out of my own jams and go deeper into the game, but with the bullpen we have and every game a must-win there's not really time to wait around so I just have to be better early and give him confidence to leave me out there late in the game."

Maddon said it's ultimately a combination of both issues.

Strategically, the Rays want to see him be more aggressive in putting hitters away and make more use of his curveball.

"It's not that I lack confidence in him," Maddon said. "I just know what's going on right now. We've just got to get him beyond that. It's almost like he's teetering, we've got to get him beyond that one moment. All of a sudden there's that breakthrough



PHOTO BY KYLE TERADA/USA TODAY SPORTS

**Oakland catcher Derek Norris tags out Tampa Bay second baseman Sean Rodriguez on a squeeze play in the ninth inning of Monday night's game, which the A's won 3-2 in 10 innings.**

## RAYS AT ATHLETICS

**WHO:** Tampa Bay (54-58) at Oakland (68-43)\*  
**WHEN:** Today, 3:35 p.m.  
**WHERE:** O.co Coliseum, Oakland  
**PROBABLE PITCHERS:** Jeremy Hellickson (0-1, 3.29) vs. Sonny Gray (12-4, 2.59)  
**TV:** Sun Sports  
**RADIO:** 620 AM, 1220 AM, 1480 AM, 1530 AM, 1580 AM  
\* Excludes Tuesday's late game

## TO OUR READERS

Monday's Rays game was not complete in time for this edition.

and then heads up, he turns back into what he had been a couple years ago. Coming off surgery there's all kinds of doo-dads going in mentally. You want him to go deeper into games, absolutely. And under a different set of circumstances he probably would have right now." There has been a

## STONE CRABS AT CARDINALS

**WHO:** Charlotte (21-21) at Palm Beach (26-17)  
**WHEN:** Today, 6:35 p.m.  
**WHERE:** Roger Dean Stadium, Palm Beach  
**PROBABLE PITCHERS:** Jared Mortensen (0-0, 2.57) vs. TBD  
**RADIO:** 91.7 FM or online at www.stonecrabsbaseball.com

## CRAB CAKES

Josh Vitale kept his promise to the Charlotte Stone Crabs staff on Monday by helping pull the tarp off the field at Charlotte Sports Park. As Josh recounts in Crab Cakes today at [suncoastsportsblog.com](http://suncoastsportsblog.com), it's not as fun as it might appear.

pattern. In the three starts this season, Hellickson has been pulled after 4 1/3, 4 2/3 and 4 2/3 innings. In his 2013 ALDS Game 4 start, he got one inning. In his five last starts of the 2013 regular season: 4 2/3, 2 2/3, 5 1/3, 5 1/3, 2 2/3, 4 1/3.

**Temper, temper:** Maddon was ejected in the 10th inning of Monday's 3-2 loss, upset with first-base umpire Quinn Wolcott's "egregiously bad" call on a check-swing that would have been strike three on Josh Donaldson, and instead led to a bases loaded walk, then the winning single by Derek Norris.

It was Maddon's third ejection in the last 24 games, reflective of either his intensity as the team battles back into the race or his frustration. Has he heard from MLB about his actions?

"Not yet," Maddon said. "I think every one has been justified. I was upset (Monday) night; that was a pretty big moment."

**Quick hits:** Maddon and other Rays were impressed with the full-page ad traded ace LHP David Price took out in Tuesday's Tampa Bay Times thanking many members of the organization as well as the fans. "It was very nice of him and very cool that he recognized all the guys the way he did," Maddon said. "One of the best teammates I've ever need around." ...

The Rays went into play Tuesday needing eight strikeouts to reach 1,000 for the season. If they got there in their 113th game, they'd be the quickest team in MLB history to do so; the 2013 Tigers did it in 114 on their way to an

MLB record 1,428 for the season. ...

OF Wil Myers (broken right wrist) will work out at Tropicana Field in St. Petersburg today and head to Triple-A Durham, with plans to work out Thursday and Friday then start a rehab assignment as soon as Sunday. ...

LHP Erik Bedard and RHP Juan Carlos Oviedo officially cleared release waivers and are free to sign with any team. ... Jason Hammel started for Oakland on Tuesday night, the 65th time a former Tampa Bay pitcher faced the Rays; they were 34-30. ... Oakland's 18 runners left on Monday tied the Rays record for an opponent. ... It was the Rays' 117th walkoff loss, seventh in Oakland.

## ATHLETICS 3, RAYS 2, 10 INNINGS

Late Monday						
Tampa Bay	AB	R	H	BI	BBSO	Avg.
Jennings cf	5	0	2	1	0	.242
Zobrist lf	4	0	0	0	1	.276
Joyce dh	5	0	0	0	2	.280
Longoria 3b	4	1	1	1	0	.256
Loney 1b	4	0	2	0	0	.290
1-S.Rodriguez 1b	0	0	0	0	0	.227
Forsythe 2b	3	0	0	0	0	.253
Y.Escobar ss	4	0	0	0	1	.255
J.Molina c	3	0	0	0	0	.186
c-Guyer ph	1	0	0	0	0	.276
Casali c	0	0	0	0	0	.111
Kiermaier rf	4	1	1	0	1	.293
<b>Totals</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>16</b>	
Oakland	AB	R	H	BI	BBSO	Avg.
Fuld lf	5	1	2	0	1	.217
Jaso dh	4	0	0	0	1	.272
Donaldson 3b	4	0	1	1	2	.243
Moss 1b	5	0	0	0	1	.251
D.Norris c	6	0	1	0	1	.296
Reddick rf	5	1	1	0	1	.258
Lowrie ss	4	0	3	1	0	.245
Vogt 1b	3	0	0	0	1	.321
a-Crisp cf	1	0	0	0	1	.273
Sogard 2b	2	1	2	0	0	.207
b-J.Gomes ph	0	0	0	0	1	.500
Callaspo 2b	1	0	0	0	0	.232
<b>Totals</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>9</b>	
<b>Tampa Bay</b>	<b>010010000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>12</b>	
<b>Oakland</b>	<b>001001000</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>310</b>	

a-Walked for Vogt in the 7th. b-Walked for Sogard in the 7th. c-Reached on fielder's choice for J.Molina in the 9th. 1-Ran for Loney in the 9th. E—Donaldson (19), Longoria (7), Lowrie (11). **LOB**—Tampa Bay 7, Oakland 18. **2B**—Lowrie (28). **3B**—Kiermaier (5). **HR**—Longoria (14), off Samardzija. **RBIs**—Donaldson (78), Jennings (30), Longoria (57), Lowrie (42), D.Norris (41). **SB**—Fuld 2 (15), Forsythe (1), Jennings (14), Zobrist (9). **S**—Forsythe. **Runners left in scoring position**—Tampa Bay 5 (Y.Escobar, Joyce 2, Kiermaier, J.Molina); Oakland 9 (Donaldson 3, Fuld 2, Moss, Reddick 2, Vogt). **Tampa Bay IP H R ER BBSO NP ERA** Cobb 5 7/2 2 2 4 4102 3.52 Jo.Peralta 1 1 0 0 2 1 28 3.77 Boxberger 1 1/2 0 0 0 3 16 2.00 McGee 1 0 0 0 1 1 23 1.44 Balfour L, 1-4 3 2 1 1 2 1 31 4.93 **Oakland IP H R ER BBSO NP ERA** Samardzija 7 5 2 2 1 3110 3.09 Gregerson 1 0 0 0 0 7 1.88 Doolittle 1 1 0 0 0 1 13 2.54 Cook W, 1-1 1 0 0 0 2 9 2.48 **HBP**—by Cobb (Jaso). **IBB**—off Peralta (Gomes). **Umpires**—Home, CB Bucknor; First, Quinn Wolcott; Second, John Tumpance; Third, Dale Scott. **T**—3:57. **A**—18,479 (35,067).

# DOPING

FROM PAGE 1

Officials from the federal Drug Enforcement Administration and the U.S. Attorney's Office in Miami said they are continuing to investigate the network used to supply performance-enhancing drugs to professional athletes and youth players.

"Professional athletes who use drugs to enhance their performance are not heroes, they are cheaters," South Florida U.S. Attorney Wilfredo Ferrer said at a news conference.

The discovery of the repeated doping in baseball and among top players is an embarrassment

for the league which had vowed to clean up the sport after widespread steroids use over the past decades.

Other prominent players suspended in baseball's investigation into the doping scandal were Milwaukee Brewers outfielder Ryan Braun, who was the National League's most valuable player in 2011; Baltimore Orioles outfielder Nelson Cruz; Everth Cabrera of the San Diego Padres and Jhonny Peralta of the St. Louis Cardinals.

Authorities say Bosch, who is not a doctor as many of his clients believed, told players the drugs would not be detected in doping tests. He also supplied them to

college and high school athletes, charging \$250 to \$600 per month.

He, Sucart and another co-defendant were also involved in providing performance-enhancing drugs to youths in the Dominican Republic hoping to be drafted by U.S. baseball teams, authorities said.

Bosch, 50, surrendered to federal officials on Tuesday. Shacked and dressed in a white buttoned-up shirt, he entered a not-guilty plea for procedural reasons, said his attorney Guy A. Lewis.

Bosch and most of the others charged were expected to be released after posting bond.

Sucart, 52, who authorities say recruited

professional baseball players for Bosch, remained in jail over questions about his Dominican Republic

citizenship. He has been living in Miami and was charged with multiple counts of distribution of testosterone.

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STANDINGS

Table with columns for American League (East, Central, West) and National League (East, West) standings, including teams like Baltimore, Toronto, Detroit, and Washington.

AMERICAN LEAGUE Monday's results N.Y. Yankees 2, Detroit 1 Chicago White Sox 5, Texas 3, 7 innings Oakland 3, RAYS 2, 10 innings Tuesday's results Detroit 4, N.Y. Yankees 3, 12 innings Baltimore 9, Toronto 3 Texas 16, Chicago White Sox 0 RAYS at Oakland, late Today's games Texas (Tepesch 3-7) at Chicago White Sox (Sale 10-1), 2:10 p.m. RAYS (Hellickson 0-1) at Oakland (Gray 12-4), 3:35 p.m. Detroit (Verlander 10-9) at N.Y. Yankees (Capuano 0-1), 7:05 p.m. Baltimore (Chen 12-3) at Toronto (Hutchinson 7-9), 7:07 p.m. Thursday's games Detroit (Porcello 13-5) at N.Y. Yankees (Greene 2-1), 1:05 p.m. Baltimore (Gonzalez 5-6) at Toronto (Happ 8-5), 7:07 p.m. Minnesota at Oakland (Lester 1-0), 10:05 p.m. Chicago White Sox (Carroll 4-6) at Seattle (Elias 8-9), 10:10 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE Monday's results San Francisco 4, N.Y. Mets 3 Tuesday's results MARLINS 6, Pittsburgh 3 N.Y. Mets 6, Washington 1 Milwaukee 4, San Francisco 3 Chicago at Colorado, late Today's games MARLINS (Koehler 7-8) at Pittsburgh (Locke 2-3), 7:05 p.m. N.Y. Mets (Niese 5-7) at Washington (Fister 10-3), 7:05 p.m. San Francisco (Vogelsong 6-8) at Milwaukee (Gallardo 6-5), 8:10 p.m. Chicago Cubs (Arrieta 6-2) at Colorado (Lyles 5-1), 8:40 p.m. Thursday's games N.Y. Mets (deGrom 6-5) at Washington

MLB: Detroit 4, N.Y. Yankees 3 (12 innings)

Tigers win Price's debut

NEW YORK — Alex Avila had the game-tying single in the seventh and hit the go-ahead home run with one out in the top of the 12th inning as the Detroit Tigers outlasted the New York Yankees for a 4-3 victory Tuesday night. Avila was the reason the game reached extra innings when the catcher had a two-out single in the seventh off New York starter Hiroki Kuroda. After grounding out in the 10th, Avila drove a 1-0 fastball from Matt Daley (0-1) into the last row of the right-field grandstand just in front of the right-field bleachers. It was Avila's eighth home run and first since July 12 at Kansas City. After David Price allowed three runs and eight hits over 8 2/3 innings in his Detroit debut, Joba Chamberlain, Joakim Soria and Joe Nathan combined on 3 1/2 scoreless innings. Chamberlain recorded the final out of the ninth and stranded Derek Jeter at first in the 10th after hitting the Yankee captain with a pitch. Soria (2-4) pitched a perfect 11th for the win and Nathan did the same in the 12th for his 23rd save in 28 opportunities, though he needed a running catch at the right-field warning track by J.D. Martinez on

a drive by third baseman Chase Headley. The Tigers won for the fourth time in five games on a night when they lost right fielder Torii Hunter to a left-hand contusion after he was hit by a Dellin Betances pitch in the ninth. They also won on a night when first baseman Miguel Cabrera went 1 for 5 with two strikeouts. Brian McCann and Martin Prado hit solo home runs for the Yankees, who lost for the seventh time in 10 games and dropped to 6-6 in extra innings. The Yankees also played their 16th straight game decided by two runs or less, which according to the Elias Sports Bureau is the most since the 1975 Baltimore Orioles. Kuroda allowed three runs and six hits in seven innings. Detroit had first and third after a single by Cabrera and took a 1-0 lead on designated hitter Victor Martinez's sacrifice fly. The Yankees tied it on McCann's 12th home run in the second and then went ahead in the third against Price. Second baseman Brendan Ryan opened the inning with a double, was sacrificed to third by left fielder Brett Gardner. After Jeter grounded out, Jacoby Ellsbury slapped a double down the left-field line.

BASEBALL SCOREBOARD

Baseball scoreboard table with columns for teams (MILANS 6, PIRATES 3; ORIOLOS 9, BLUE JAYS 3; TIGERS 4, YANKEES 3, 12 INNINGS) and columns for AB, R, H, BI, BBSO, Avg. Includes game summaries for various matchups.

MLB ROUNDUP

Marlins beat Pirates in walk

PITTSBURGH — Patience truly was a virtue for the Miami Marlins on Tuesday night. The Marlins drew three walks during a five-run eighth-inning rally that included one extra-base hit as they came back to beat the Pittsburgh Pirates 6-3. It was the Marlins' biggest inning since they also scored five runs June 27 against the Oakland A's and the eighth time they scored five or more runs this season. "We're not necessarily known for walks," said Marlins manager Mike Redmond, whose team is fourth in the National League in drawing bases on balls. "We had a lot of really good at-bats that inning. We were really patient." The Marlins managed 11 runs while losing four of their previous five games, a skid that followed a season-best six-game winning streak. They also lost their previous six games at PNC Park while scoring a total of 13 runs. Center fielder Marcell Ozuna and catcher Jarrod Saltalamacchia drew consecutive bases-loaded walks off left-hander Justin Wilson to force in the tying and go-ahead runs. After right fielder Gregory Polanco's RBI single in the seventh put the Pirates ahead 2-1, Marlins right fielder Giancarlo Stanton started the eighth by drawing a one-out walk from reliever Jared Hughes (6-3). Pirates third baseman Josh Harrison then booted a potential double-play ball by third baseman Casey McGehee to keep the inning alive.

Orioles 9, Blue Jays 3: In Toronto, Baltimore clubbed three home runs to power past the Blue Jays in the opener of a pivotal three-game set. Catcher Caleb Joseph and second baseman Jonathan Schoop hit back-to-back shots in the fourth, while first baseman Chris Davis added a solo blast in the fifth to help the Orioles (64-48) extend their American League East division lead over the second-place Blue Jays (60-54) to five games. Cardinals 3, Red Sox 2: In St. Louis, after a game rife with missed opportunities and frustration, the Cardinals finally did just enough to keep pace with the Milwaukee Brewers in the National League Central. Center fielder Jon Jay looped a two-out RBI single to left-center in the bottom of the eighth to snap a tie and give the Cardinals a win over Boston. Twins 3, Padres 1: In Minneapolis, first baseman Kennys Vargas hit his first major league home run, a three-run blast in the sixth inning, to give the Twins a win over San Diego. Rangers 16, White Sox 0: In Chicago, Texas hit a season-high five home runs and cruised to the largest margin of victory in a shutout in franchise history. Mets 6, Nationals 1: In Washington, Daniel Murphy had three hits and two RBIs, and Zack Wheeler pitched into the seventh inning as New York defeated the Nationals.

Table with columns for Cardinals 3, Red Sox 2; Brewers 4, Giants 3; Twins 3, Padres 1; and other game results, including scores and player statistics.



■ SWIMMING: U.S. championships

Phelps ready to transact 'unfinished business'

By Reuters

Michael Phelps will assess his chances of qualifying for the 2016 Rio Olympics after this week's U.S. national championships, his coach Bob Bowman said.

The 18-time Olympic gold medalist and world record-holder in the 100 meters, 200 fly and 400 individual medley, retired after the 2012 London Olympics but returned to competition in April.

start today in Irvine, Calif., will show how much progress the 29-year-old has made, Bowman told reporters on Tuesday.

"We will see how it goes this week and maybe, if there is anything after that, we will see how it goes and go from there," Bowman said. "I don't think we will really know until after this week. After this week we will have a pretty good picture of if he is ahead

or if he is behind."

Phelps' view of his current form was vague. "It could be better, it could be worse," he said.

Phelps will compete in the 100 freestyle, 100 butterfly, 100 backstroke and 200 individual medley.

If those go well, he will head to Australia later this month for the Pan Pacific Championships with an eye on next year's world championships in Russia.

But while Phelps and

Bowman may be trying to keep expectations low and avoiding talk about Rio, the swimmer's actions indicate an athlete who is working hard to get back to his best.

Phelps was well above his competing weight when he returned but said he has adjusted his diet to get back in shape.

"I was 30 pounds heavier than I am now when I got back in the water," he said. "I was eating whatever I wanted

and I wasn't exercising but I knew that to get back into the shape I wanted to be in, something had to change.

"I actually went through a phase where I cut out red meat for six months just to see what it would do. I was eating more chicken, more fish, more salads just eating cleaner and fresher. I saw a little bit of difference and I've started sort of gradually adding red meat here and there."

Bowman said he was glad to see Phelps come back for the right reasons.

"I don't think he is doing it because he is bored and there is nothing else to do, I think he is doing it because there is some unfinished business he thinks he can accomplish," Bowman said.

Phelps smiled at the reference to "unfinished business" but declined to elaborate on what that might mean.

SCOREBOARD

Sports on TV

GOLF 3 p.m. TGC — USGA, U.S. Women's Amateur Championship, first round matches, at Glen Cove, N.Y.

LITTLE LEAGUE BASEBALL 11 a.m. ESPN2 — Playoffs, Midwest Regional semifinal, at Indianapolis

1 p.m. ESPN2 — Playoffs, Southeast Regional semifinal, at Warner Robins, Ga.

3 p.m. ESPN2 — Playoffs, Midwest Regional semifinal, at Indianapolis

5 p.m. ESPN2 — Playoffs, Southeast Regional semifinal, at Warner Robins, Ga.

7 p.m. ESPN2 — Playoffs, Southwest Regional final, at Waco, Texas

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL 3:35 p.m. SUN — Tampa Bay at Oakland

7:05 p.m. FSFL — Miami at Pittsburgh

8 p.m. ESPN — Boston at St. Louis

9:30 p.m. ESPN2 — MLS All-Star Game, MLS All-Stars vs. Bayern Munich, at Portland, Ore.

Baseball

MONDAY'S LATE MLB LINESCORES

ANGELS 5, DODGERS 0 Los Angeles (A) 400 001 000 — 5 70 Los Angeles (N) 000 000 000 — 0 52

Richards and Conger; Greinke, Frias (8) and A.Ellis. W—Richards 12-4. L—Greinke 12-7. HRs—Los Angeles (A), J.Hamilton (8).

WHITE SOX 5, RANGERS 3

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(7 innings) N.Martinez, Adcock (6), Sh.Tolleson (7) and Chirinos; Noesi and Flowers. W—Noesi 6-8. L—N.Martinez 1-8. HRs—Texas, Odor (4). Chicago, Flowers (8).

FLORIDA STATE LEAGUE

North Division

W L Pct. GB Daytona 26 16.619 — Tampa 22 22.500 5/2

Brevard County 20 21.488 5 1/2 Duneedin 21 24.467 6 1/2

Clearwater 19 26.422 8 1/2 Lakeland 14 30.318 13

South Division

W L Pct. GB Bradenton 27 16.628 — Palm Beach 27 17.614 1/2

Fort Myers 25 18.581 2 St. Lucie 22 19.537 4

Charlotte 21 21.500 5 1/2 Jupiter 14 28.333 12 1/2

Monday's results

Daytona at Charlotte, ccd., rain Bradenton 9, Brevard County 6

Palm Beach 5, Duneedin 1 Fort Myers 12, Lakeland 2

Daytona at Charlotte, ccd., rain Tampa at Jupiter, ccd., rain

St. Lucie 10, Clearwater 4

Tuesday's results

Duneedin 7, Lakeland 3 Tampa 5, Brevard County 2

Daytona 3, Clearwater 1

Today's games

Brevard County at Tampa, 5 p.m. Duneedin at Lakeland, 6:30 p.m.

Fort Myers at St. Lucie, 6:30 p.m. Jupiter at Bradenton, 6:30 p.m.

Charlotte at Palm Beach, 6:35 p.m. Daytona at Clearwater, 7 p.m.

Brevard County at Tampa, 8 p.m.

Thursday's games

Jupiter at Bradenton, 5 p.m. Duneedin at Lakeland, 6:30 p.m.

Fort Myers at St. Lucie, 6:30 p.m. Charlotte at Palm Beach, 6:35 p.m.

Brevard County at Tampa, 7 p.m. Daytona at Clearwater, 7 p.m.

Jupiter at Bradenton, 8 p.m.

GULF COAST LEAGUE

East Division

W L Pct. GB Cardinals 25 14.641 — Mets 22 18.550 3 1/2

Nationals 21 19.525 4 1/2 Marlins 11 28.282 14

Northeast Division

W L Pct. GB Yankees 25 15.625 — Tigers 23 16.590 1 1/2

Astros 21 19.525 4 Braves 17 22.436 7 1/2

Northwest Division

W L Pct. GB Yankees 24 13.649 — Phillies 22 18.550 3 1/2

Pirates 12 26.316 12 1/2 Blue Jays 12 27.308 13

South Division

W L Pct. GB Rays 24 15.615 — Red Sox 18 16.590 1

Orioles 23 22.450 6 1/2 Twins 14 26.350 10 1/2

Tuesday's results

Mets 8, Marlins 5 Orioles 2, Twins 1, 9 innings, 1st game

Tigers 1, Pirates 0, 10 innings Phillies 7, Braves 4

Astros 3, Yankees 2 Cardinals 4, Nationals 0

Gulf Coast 2, Blue Jays 0

Rays at Red Sox, p.p.d., rain Orioles 2, Twins 1, 2nd game

Today's games Marlins at Mets, 12 p.m.

Blue Jays at Astros, 12 p.m. Nationals at Cardinals, 12 p.m.

Pirates at Braves, 12 p.m. Red Sox at Rays, 12 p.m.

Tigers at Yankees, 12 p.m. Orioles at Twins, 12 p.m.

Gulf Coast at Phillies, 12 p.m.

Thursday's games

Nationals at Marlins, 12 p.m. Cardinals at Mets, 12 p.m.

Astros at Blue Jays, 12 p.m. Rays at Red Sox, 12 p.m.

Braves at Pirates, 12 p.m. Phillies at Gulf Coast, 12 p.m.

Yankees at Tigers, 12 p.m. Twins at Orioles, 12 p.m.

Pro basketball

WNBA EASTERN CONFERENCE

W L Pct GB Atlanta 17 10 .630 —

Washington 14 15 .483 4

Chicago 13 16 .448 5

Indiana 13 16 .448 5

New York 12 16 .429 5 1/2

Connecticut 11 19 .367 7 1/2

WESTERN CONFERENCE

W L Pct GB Phoenix 23 4 .852 —

Minnesota 23 6 .793 1

Los Angeles 13 15 .464 10 1/2

San Antonio 13 16 .448 11

Tulsa 10 19 .345 14

Seattle 10 20 .333 14 1/2

Monday's results

No games scheduled

Tuesday's results

Washington 79, New York 46 Chicago 82, Connecticut 66

Minnesota 66, Indiana 64 Atlanta at Phoenix, late

Tulsa at Los Angeles, late

Today's games

No games scheduled

Thursday's games

Chicago at Minnesota, 8 p.m. Phoenix at San Antonio, 8 p.m.

Atlanta at Seattle, 10 p.m.

Pro football

NFL PRESEASON AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East

W L T Pct PF PA DOLPHINS 0 0 0 .000 0 0

N.Y. Jets 0 0 0 .000 0 0

New England 0 0 0 .000 0 0

Buffalo 0 1 0 .000 13 17

South

W L T Pct PF PA Houston 0 0 0 .000 0 0

Indianapolis 0 0 0 .000 0 0

JAGUARS 0 0 0 .000 0 0

Tennessee 0 0 0 .000 0 0

North

W L T Pct PF PA Baltimore 0 0 0 .000 0 0

Cincinnati 0 0 0 .000 0 0

Cleveland 0 0 0 .000 0 0

Pittsburgh 0 0 0 .000 0 0

West

W L T Pct PF PA Denver 0 0 0 .000 0 0

Kansas City 0 0 0 .000 0 0

Oakland 0 0 0 .000 0 0

San Diego 0 0 0 .000 0 0

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East

W L T Pct PF PA N.Y. Giants 1 0 0 1.000 17 13

Dallas 0 0 0 .000 0 0

Philadelphia 0 0 0 .000 0 0

Washington 0 0 0 .000 0 0

South

W L T Pct PF PA Atlanta 0 0 0 .000 0 0

Carolina 0 0 0 .000 0 0

New Orleans 0 0 0 .000 0 0

BUCCANEERS 0 0 0 .000 0 0

North

W L T Pct PF PA Chicago 0 0 0 .000 0 0

Detroit 0 0 0 .000 0 0

Green Bay 0 0 0 .000 0 0

Minnesota 0 0 0 .000 0 0

West

W L T Pct PF PA Arizona 0 0 0 .000 0 0

San Francisco 0 0 0 .000 0 0

Seattle 0 0 0 .000 0 0

St. Louis 0 0 0 .000 0 0

Sunday's result

N.Y. Giants 17, Buffalo 13

Thursday's games

Indianapolis at N.Y. Jets, 7 p.m. New England at Washington, 7:30 p.m.

San Francisco at Baltimore, 7:30 p.m. Cincinnati at Kansas City, 8 p.m.

Seattle at Denver, 9 p.m. Dallas at San Diego, 10 p.m.

Friday's games

DOLPHINS at Atlanta, 7 p.m. Buffalo at Carolina, 7:30 p.m.

BUCCANEERS at JAGUARS, 7:30 p.m. Philadelphia at Chicago, 8 p.m.

New Orleans at St. Louis, 8 p.m. Oakland at Minnesota, 8 p.m.

Saturday's games

Cleveland at Detroit, 7:30 p.m. Pittsburgh at N.Y. Giants, 7:30 p.m.

Green Bay at Tennessee, 8 p.m. Houston at Arizona, 8:30 p.m.

CFL EAST DIVISION

W L T Pts PF PA Toronto 2 4 0 4 141 154

Hamilton 1 4 0 2 100 119

Montreal 1 4 0 2 75 144

Ottawa 1 4 0 2 94 151

WEST DIVISION

W L T Pts PF PA Winnipeg 5 1 0 10 168 140

Calgary 4 1 0 8 123 78

Edmonton 4 1 0 8 130 84

Saskatchewan 3 2 0 6 134 107

B.C. 3 3 0 6 127 116

Thursday's game

Saskatchewan at Winnipeg, 8:30 p.m.

Friday's games

Edmonton at Montreal, 7 p.m. Hamilton at B.C., 10 p.m.

Saturday's game

Ottawa at Calgary, 7:30 p.m.

AFL PLAYOFFS FIRST ROUND

Saturday's results National Conference

San Jose 55, Spokane 28

American Conference

Cleveland 39, Philadelphia 37

Sunday's results National Conference

Arizona 52, Portland 48

American Conference

Orlando 56, Pittsburgh 48

CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIPS

Sunday's games American Conference

Orlando at Cleveland, 3 p.m. National Conference

San Jose at Arizona, 8 p.m. ARENABOWL

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American champion vs. National champion, 8 p.m.

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First Round Tee No. 1

7:30 a.m. — Russell Knox, Roberto Castro, Brian Norman

7:40 a.m. — Aaron Krueger, Charles Howell III, Joost Luiten

7:50 a.m. — George Coetzee, Jamie Broce, Billy Horschel

8 a.m. — Brendon Todd, Brian Stuard, Pablo Larrazabal

8:10 a.m. — Fredrik Jacobson, Brendon de Jonge, Nick Watney

8:20 a.m. — Ross Fisher, Matt Every, Kevin Chappell

8:30 a.m. — John Daly, Mark Brooks, Rich Beem

8:40 a.m. — Brian Harman, K.J. Choi, Thongchai Jaidee

8:50 a.m. — Thomas Bjorn, Kevin Stadler, Harris English

9 a.m. — Jamie Donaldson, Hyung-Sung Kim, Stewart Cink

9:10 a.m. — Jason Kokrak, Rafael Cabrera Bello, Stephen Gallacher

9:20 a.m. — Edoardo Molinari, Kevin Streelman, Ryan Helminen

9:30 a.m. — Rob Corcoran, Brendan Steele, Pat Perez

12:45 p.m. — Matt Pesta, Ryo Ishikawa, Rory Sabbatini

12:55 p.m. — Scott Stallings, Matteo Manassero, Eric Williamson

1:05 p.m. — Jonas Blixt, Webb Simpson, Erik Compton

1:15 p.m. — Gonzalo Fernandez-Castano, Graham DeLaet, Gary Woodland

1:25 p.m. — Sergio Garcia, Steve Stricker, Tom Watson

1:35 p.m. — Kenny Perry, Ryan Moore, Henrik Stenson

1:45 p.m. — Bubba Watson, Martin Kaymer, Rory McIlroy

1:55 p.m. — Young-Eun Yang, Keegan Bradley, Jason Dufner

2:05 p.m. — Francesco Molinari, Luke Donald, J.B. Holmes

2:15 p.m. — Darren Clarke, Richard Sterne, Zach Johnson

2:25 p.m. — Kevin Na, Tim Clark, Paul Casey

2:35 p.m. — Rod Perry, Ben Crane, Steven Bowditch

2:45 p.m. — David Hronek, Chris Stroud, Jason Bohn

TEE NO. 10



## SIMS

## FROM PAGE 1

You wouldn't expect the selection of Sims to be greeted with open arms in the running backs room. The Bucs already had a logjam of ballcarriers when the team ignored more glaring needs such as guard to add to a position of strength.

The depth was born from injury. Starter Doug Martin, who rushed for 1,454 yards as a rookie, tore the labrum in his left shoulder in Week 6 at Atlanta last season and was done. Backup Mike James broke his ankle three games later. Bobby Rainey, claimed off waivers from the Browns, carried the rushing load the rest of the way. Each finished the season with more than 500 yards rushing.

Martin and Rainey are 5-9 and 5-8, respectively.

James seems to tower over them at 5-11. None is as physically imposing as Sims, who reminds former Bears and now Bucs running backs coach Tim Spencer of Chicago's Matt Forte.

"I think you can tell, especially at skill positions, does a guy have it?" coach Lovie Smith said. "Charles Sims, I would say, has it. He hasn't played a game and right now we're not live an awful lot. But you can see enough in him to like his future with us. Just talking about it, that's the last thing. He can carry the ball or he can catch the ball. Protections for any young back, that's the thing that they will have the most trouble with early on. But he's picked things up fairly well quickly."

Sims, 23, had to be fast on his feet to pick up a new offense, transferring to West Virginia as a senior after three

solid seasons at Houston. Mountaineers coach Dana Holgorsen had been the Cougars' offensive coordinator when Sims was a freshman.

All told, Sims caught 203 passes in his career, making him a perfect fit for the Bucs offense under coordinator Jeff Tedford.

"He's a big guy that's very elusive, has great feet, really good skills running or catching the football and running routes," Tedford said. "He understands pass protections. For a young guy, he's picked that up really, really well."

Sims puts it another way. "You can't get the quarterback hit or you won't be playing. That's the most important thing, pass blocking," he said.

The addition of Sims has been good for Martin, who averaged only 3.6 yards per carry before his injury. Martin doesn't

seem too concerned that Sims could significantly cut into his carries.

"Nobody likes rotten apples," Martin said about the prospect of staying fresher this season.

Sims, a Houston native, runs a 4.48 40-yard dash, making him one of the fastest players on the team. He grew up idolizing Barry Sanders but his running style is more like James Wilder's.

"We are very deep there," Tedford said of running back. "I'm really impressed by their knowledge. They all bring something different. They all have skill. They all catch the football really well. They're smart and they can run between the tackles and they have speed outside. They're really versatile guys. It's a good group of guys to work with and I'm anxious to watch them in the game."



PHOTO BY KIM KLEMENT/USA TODAY SPORTS

**Tampa Bay Buccaneers quarterback Mike Glennon hands off to running back Charles Sims during training camp at One Buc Place in Tampa.**

## COLLEGE FOOTBALL NOTEBOOK

## FSU to pitch in for Winston insurance policy

## WIRE REPORTS

Florida State is helping Heisman Trophy winner Jameis Winston cover payments toward a \$10 million injury insurance policy, as approved by NCAA guidelines.

The school's Student Assistant Fund can be used to "assist student-athletes in meeting financial needs that arise in conjunction with participation in intercollegiate athletics, enrollment in an academic curriculum or that recognize academic achievement."

The premium on the highest "loss of value" and injury policies is reportedly \$60,000.

Winston, who also plays for the Seminoles' baseball team, is a pro prospect in two sports and is hopeful of following in the footsteps of Deion Sanders and Bo Jackson

to be a multi-sport pro. Yet, the quarterback projected as a top-10 draft pick in 2015 said he plans to graduate from Florida State, not enter the NFL early.

Entering his redshirt sophomore season on the heels of a national championship, Heisman Trophy and 40-touchdown pass season, Winston could be enticed to leave school with another year of big-time accomplishments.

While he has made news of the unflattering kind away from football, pro scouts project him as a high pick. NFLDraftScout.com includes him among the top potentially available passers in its soon-to-be-released 2015 draft rankings. Oregon's Marcus Mariota and UCLA's Brett Hundley, also

underclassmen, are also in the early conversation as possible first-round quarterback prospects. Baylor senior Bryce Perry also ranks among that group.

—The Sports Xchange

### Family of Cal player files wrongful death suit:

The family of former California football player Ted Agu filed a wrongful death lawsuit against the Regents of the University of California, alleging "reckless and negligent behavior" by the staff toward an athlete known to have sickle cell trait.

The lawsuit filed in California Superior Court repeatedly said that the university was negligent for hiring and retaining trainer Robert Jackson, who previously worked at Central Florida, where he was the sole certified athletic trainer present when wide receiver Ereck Plancher died following conditioning drills in March 2008.

The suit says that Jackson was the most experienced trainer at the scene when Agu died after experiencing "extreme fatigue" during an offseason training run in Berkeley on Feb. 7. The family's attorneys argue that, like Plancher, Agu had sickle cell trait and should not have been put through a "lethal conditioning drill."

### FSU defensive coordinator gets raise:

Florida State defensive coordinator Charles Kelly received a raise to go along with his promotion. Kelly's salary has increased to \$500,000 and he received an extension through the 2017 season. He was promoted from linebackers coach during the offseason after Jeremy Pruitt left to take the defensive coordinator position at Georgia. Kelly made \$275,000 last season before bonuses.

Seven of nine Florida State assistants reached new deals that run from 2014-2017. Kelly, assistant head coach/offensive line coach Rick Trickett and co-offensive coordinator Randy Sanders are the three highest paid assistants at \$500,000 each. New linebackers coach Bill Miller is signed from 2014-2016 and defensive ends coach Sal Sunseri is in the final year of a one-year deal.

Florida State is paying its assistants a combined \$3.375 million.

—Associated Press

## NFL NOTEBOOK



AP PHOTO

**Chicago Bears tight end Martellus Bennett makes a catch during training camp at Olivet Nazarene University in Bourbonnais, Ill. Bennett was fined and suspended indefinitely for a fight Monday at training camp.**

## Bears suspend Bennett

### Browns list Hoyer as starting QB

BY THE SPORTS XCHANGE

Chicago Bears tight end Martellus Bennett was fined and suspended indefinitely for a fight Monday at training camp with rookie first-round pick Kyle Fuller.

Bennett did not practice Tuesday and general manager Phil Emery said the suspension will prevent Bennett from being involved in all team activities. Bennett was not present at Olivet Nazarene University in Bourbonnais, Ill., and Emery said it's unknown when he will return.

Fuller, the 14th overall pick in the 2014 NFL Draft, dropped Bennett

to the field while trying to force a fumble in Monday's practice.

Bennett, riled by the jarring blow, got to his feet and pulled Fuller to the ground. Coach Marc Trestman, who is preaching throughout camp the need for unity and character to achieve the team's lofty goals, stopped practice immediately.

Emery said he informed the team of the Bears' decision on Bennett, who signed a four-year, \$20 million deal in March 2013. The Bears would not disclose the amount of Bennett's fine.

### Browns list Hoyer as starter:

The Cleveland Browns listed Brian Hoyer as their starting quarterback on the first depth chart of the preseason. Johnny Manziel was No. 2, but Browns coach Mike Pettine said the order could change after every game. A starter has yet to

be named for Saturday's preseason opener against the Detroit Lions.

### Saints' owner hospitalized:

New Orleans Saints owner Tom Benson was hospitalized in White Sulphur Springs, W.Va., as a precaution after receiving oxygen. The 87-year-old Benson has been attending practice at the Saints' new training camp facility in the mountains of West Virginia. "The altitude got to him. He's fine," Saints spokesman Greg Bensel said.

### Around the league:

The Tampa Bay Buccaneers signed defensive ends Ryne Giddins and James Ruffin, while linebacker Jeremy Grable (injury) and safety Mycal Swaim were placed on waivers. Giddins was an undrafted rookie out of the University of South Florida this year who participated in the Bucs' rookie minicamp during the spring. He joins the team a day after the Bucs signed another former USF Bull, safety Mark Joyce. ...

The Denver Broncos signed defensive lineman Brian Sanford,

who played in 12 regular-season games, including one start, and had 13 tackles for the Cleveland Browns in 2011-12 and the Oakland Raiders in 2013. ...

Green Bay Packers offensive lineman Don Barclay was carted off the practice field with what the Green Bay Press-Gazette reported as a torn ACL in his right knee. That would be a season-ending injury for Barclay, considered the team's top reserve lineman after he started 15 games at right tackle last season. ...

The Cleveland Browns added four players to their roster, signing tight ends Martell Webb and Kyle Aulfray, linebacker Keith Pough and wide receiver Tim Smith. Webb spent time with the Tampa Bay Buccaneers in 2011. ...

With David Wilson's career ended by a neck injury, the New York Giants moved Peyton Hillis up to No. 2 on the depth chart at running back. The Giants waived Wilson and then placed him on injured reserve. The Giants also waived defensive end Kendrick Adams and signed defensive end Israel Idonije and tight end Jerome Cunningham.

## TECH

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game, though they won't exactly be running the most cutting-edge apps. The devices will replicate the old system of transmitting still photos to the field — but faster, clearer and in color.

No surfing the Web. No selfies or tweets. And more important from a football standpoint: no watching replays of the last snap.

"The purity of the game has always been not having video," Tennessee Titans coach Ken Whisenhunt

said. "So when you're looking at pictures you have to sometimes guess, or a lot of times the pictures aren't what really exactly happened. That part of it is still coaching, and I kind of like that."

Indianapolis Colts tight end Dwayne Allen, though, suggested that allowing video would improve the sport by making games even more competitive. And just as instant replay, once revolutionary, is now widely accepted and has been expanded over the years, the same could take place with the tablets. Adding

video is possible in the future, NFL spokesman Brian McCarthy said.

That would need to go through the league's competition committee, just as the introduction of tablets did. The NFL signed a sponsorship deal with Microsoft last year, which includes the standard promotions of sticking the league's logo on products and a more sophisticated collaboration of making NFL content available on Xbox.

But the company also became a sort of bonus IT department, engineering its Surface tablets to

withstand the rigors of the NFL sideline. Searing heat in Arizona. Pouring rain in Seattle. Frigid cold in Green Bay. The screens had to be viewable in the glare of the sun.

And the devices couldn't be vulnerable to hacking — a real concern in a league famous for paranoid coaches, where the term "Spygate" was spawned.

The tablets will be locked in a temperature-controlled cart by the NFL during the week. They'll operate on a secure wireless network in stadiums.

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WEDNESDAY

**DJ SCUBE STEVE**, 8 p.m. - close. Rattler's Old West Saloon, 111 W. Oak St., *Arcadia*.  
**JUST DUET**, (live music), 6 p.m. - 10 p.m. Englewood Moose Lodge, 55 West Dearborn St., *Englewood*. 941-473-2670.  
**FREE TRIVIA**, 7:30 p.m. Pig N Whistle, Placida Plaza, Gasparilla Rd., *Englewood*. 941-698-0021.  
**FREE YOGA AT ENGLEWOOD BEACH**, 8:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. *Englewood Beach*.  
**JAZZ JAM**, 6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. Cactus Jack Southwest Grill, 3448 Marinatown Lane, *North Fort Myers*. 239-652-5787.  
**X-FACTOR**, (live music), 8 p.m. Zig Zag Lounge at Seminole Casino Immokalee, 506 S. 1st St., *Immokalee*. 239-658-1313.  
**BELLY DANCING**, 6:45 p.m. Greek Grill and Gallery, 14828 Tamiami Trail, *North Port*. 941-423-6400.  
**BRIAN LOWE**, (live music), 6 p.m. - 9 p.m. AMVETS, 7050 Chancellor Blvd., *North Port*. 941-224-6031.  
**KARAOKE**, with Mark McKinley. 7 p.m. - 10 p.m. North Port Family Restaurant, 14525 Tamiami Trail, *North Port*. 941-426-9885.  
**KARAOKE**, with DJ Rockin' Ray, 8 p.m. Porky's Roadhouse, 4300 Kings Highway, *Port Charlotte*. 941-629-2114.  
**KARAOKE**, with Billy G., 6 p.m. - 10:30 p.m. F. O. E. Eagles 3296, 23111 Harborview Rd., *Port Charlotte*. 941-629-1645.  
**KITT MORAN**, (jazz), 6 p.m.-9 p.m. J.D.'s Bistro Grille, 1951 Tamiami Trail, *Port Charlotte*. 941-255-0994.  
**BIG DOGS LIVE TRIVIA CHALLENGE**, 7 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. Chubby'z Tavern, 4109 Tamiami Trail, *Port Charlotte*. 941-613-0002.  
**KARAOKE WITH "WAM" AL & MARILYN**, 6:30 p.m - 9:30 p.m. Punta Gorda Elks, 25538 Shore Dr., *Punta Gorda*. 941-637-2606.  
**MICHAEL HIRST**, (guitarist), 11:30 a.m. - 2 p.m., Center stage at Fishermen's Village, 1200 West Retta Esplanade #57A, *Punta Gorda*.  
**FUSE**, (live music), 8:30 p.m. - 12:30 a.m. Dean's South of the Border, 130 Tamiami Trail, *Punta Gorda*. 941-575-6100.  
**KENNY ROSE**, (live music), 6 p.m. - 10 p.m. Hurricane Charley's, 300 W. Retta Esplanade at the Punta Gorda Waterfront Hotel, *Punta Gorda*. 941-639-9695.  
**BALLADS, YARNS & RIDDLES**, (live music), 6 p.m. - 9 p.m. Pub 32 Irish Gastropub, 8383 S. Tamiami Trail, *Sarasota*. 941-492-4534.  
**BAR BINGO**, 6 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. American Legion NO-VEL Post 159, 1770 Venice E. Blvd., *Venice*. 941-485-4748.  
**KARAOKE WITH VALLERIE**, 5:30 p.m.-9:30. Allegro Bistro, 1740 E. Venice Ave., *Venice*. 941-484-1889.  
**FREE TEXAS HOLD 'EM BY POCKET ROCKETS POKER LEAGUE**, 5:30 p.m. - close. Flanagan's Pub, 761 Venice Bypass, *Venice*. 941-240-2675.  
**FREE YOGA AT VENICE BEACH PAVILION**, 8 a.m. and 7:45 p.m. *Venice*.

THURSDAY

**THE JAMIE EUBANK'S BAND**, (live music), Englewoods on Dearborn, 362 W. Dearborn St., *Englewood*. 941-475-7501.  
**BINGO**, 7:15 p.m. Rotonda Elks, 303 Rotonda Blvd. East, *Rotonda*. 941-697-2710.

**TEXAS HOLD 'EM POKER**, 6:15 p.m. Englewood Moose 1933, 55 W. Dearborn St., *Englewood*. 941-473-2670.  
**FREE YOGA AT ENGLEWOOD BEACH**, 8:30 a.m. *Englewood Beach*.  
**GRAND SLAM**, (live music), 8 p.m. Zig Zag Lounge at Seminole Casino Immokalee, 506 S. 1st St., *Immokalee*. 239-658-1313.  
**FREE TEXAS HOLD 'EM BY POCKET ROCKETS POKER LEAGUE**, 6 p.m.-close. Olde World Restaurant, 14415 Tamiami Trail, *North Port*. 941-426-1155.  
**KARAOKE**, 8 p.m.-11 p.m. Buffalo Wild Wings. 4301 Aiden Lane, *North Port*. 941-429-9722.  
**VINCE BROWN**, (live music), 6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. Portofino Waterfront Dining, 23241 Bayshore Rd., *Port Charlotte*. 941-743-2800.  
**KARAOKE**, 6 p.m. Sons of Italy, 3725 Easy St., *Port Charlotte*. Call for reservations, 941-764-9003.  
**KARAOKE WITH DJ 'DON' QUIEDO**, 7 p.m. - 10 p.m. The Portside Tavern, 3636 Tamiami Trail, *Port Charlotte*. 941-629-3050.  
**MICHAEL HIRST**, (guitarist), 5:30 p.m. - 8 p.m., Muttini Mingle at Center stage at Fishermen's Village, 1200 West Retta Esplanade #57A, *Punta Gorda*.  
**NEXX LEVEL**, (live music), 7 p.m. - 11 p.m. Dean's South of the Border, 130 Tamiami Trail, *Punta Gorda*. 941-575-6100.  
**TRINITY 7**, (live music), 6 p.m. - 10 p.m. Hurricane Charley's, 300 W. Retta Esplanade at the Punta Gorda Waterfront Hotel, *Punta Gorda*. 941-639-9695.  
**CHRIS BRETT/BOB PRICE**, (live music), 11:30 a.m. - 2 p.m. Snook Haven Restaurant, 5000 E. Venice Ave., *Venice*. 941-485-7221.  
**HEART & SOUL**, (live music), 6 p.m., American Legion NO-VEL Post 159, 1770 Venice E. Blvd., *Venice*. 941-485-4748.  
**JAZZ IZZ IT**, (jazz with Debra, Mike, Ernie and Randy), 6 p.m. - 9 p.m. The Allegro Bistro, 1740 E. Venice Ave., *Venice*. 941-484-1889.  
**FREE YOGA AT VENICE BEACH PAVILION**, 8 a.m. and 7:45 p.m. *Venice*.

FRIDAY

**MACDADDY BAND**, (live music), Englewoods on Dearborn, 362 W. Dearborn St., *Englewood*. 941-475-7501.  
**QUIET FIRE**, (live music), 6:30 p.m. - 10:30 p.m. Englewood Eagles 3885, 250 Old Englewood Rd., *Englewood*. 941-474-9802.  
**SENSATIONS**, (live music), 6 p.m. - 10 p.m. Englewood Moose Lodge, 55 West Dearborn St., *Englewood*. 941-473-2670.  
**TOUCHTUNES KARAOKE**, 9 p.m. The New Faull Inn, 2670 Placida Rd., *Englewood*. 941-697-8050.  
**JIMMY JAY**, (live music), 6 p.m. - 9 p.m. La Stanza Restaurant, 285 W. Dearborn St., *Englewood*. 941-475-1355.  
**BINGO**, 6 p.m. Englewood Elks, 401 N. Indiana Ave., *Englewood*. 941-474-1404.  
**FREE YOGA AT ENGLEWOOD BEACH**, 8:30 a.m. *Englewood Beach*.  
**HEART & SOUL**, (live music), Rotonda Elks, 303 Rotonda Blvd. E., *Rotonda*. 941-697-2710.  
**WILD CATS**, (live music), 9 p.m. Zig Zag Lounge at Seminole Casino Immokalee, 506 S 1st St., *Immokalee*. 239-658-1313.  
**FREE TEXAS HOLD 'EM BY POCKET ROCKETS POKER LEAGUE**, 12:30 p.m. - 4 p.m. Olde World Restaurant, 14415 Tamiami Trail, *North Port*. 941-426-1155.

**KARAOKE**, 7 p.m. - 10 p.m. The Olde World Restaurant, 14415 Tamiami Trail, *North Port*. 941-426-1155.  
**KARAOKE**, with Mark McKinley. 7 p.m.-10 p.m. North Port Family Restaurant, 14525 Tamiami Trail, *North Port*. 941-426-9885.  
**BINGO**, 11 a.m. Port Charlotte Elks Lodge 2153, 20225 Kenilworth Blvd., *Port Charlotte*. 941-627-4313 ext. 115.  
**BINGO**, 5:30 p.m. Port Charlotte VFW Post 5690, 23204 Freedom Ave., *Port Charlotte*. 941-467-4447.  
**KARAOKE WITH RON**, 7 p.m. John Hall's Goal Post, 3575 Tamiami Trail, *Port Charlotte*. 941-979-9933.  
**KARAOKE WITH THE CONNECTION**, 9 p.m.- 1 a.m. Nemo's Sports Cafe at Bowland, 3192 Harbor Blvd., *Port Charlotte*. 941-625-4794.  
**KARAOKE**, 6 p.m. - 9 p.m. Port Charlotte Elks, 20225 Kenilworth Blvd., *Port Charlotte*. 941-625-7571.  
**MILES BOSWORTH**, (live music), 5 p.m. - 8 p.m. on the patio of The Portside Tavern, 3636 Tamiami Trail, *Port Charlotte*. 941-629-3050.  
**CRUIS'IN EDDIE ON KEYBOARD WITH VOCALS**, (live music), 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. In the Cafe at Cultural Center, 2280 Aaron St., *Port Charlotte*. 941-625-4175.  
**LESLIE DACOSTA**, (live music), 6 p.m. Presseller's Restaurant, 209 W. Olympia Ave., *Punta Gorda*.  
**WHISKEY THROTTLE**, (live music), 8 p.m. - 11 p.m. DJ Franco until 2 a.m. Harpoon Harry's, 1200 W. Retta Esplanade, *Punta Gorda*. 941-637-1177.  
**SMACK DADDY**, (live music), 8:30 p.m. - 12:30 a.m. Dean's South of the Border, 130 Tamiami Trail, *Punta Gorda*. 941-575-6100.  
**HIRED GUNZ**, (live music), 8 p.m. - 12 a.m. Hurricane Charley's, 300 W. Retta Esplanade at the Punta Gorda Waterfront Hotel, *Punta Gorda*. 941-639-9695.  
**JIM MORRIS**, (trop rock), 5 p.m. - 9 p.m., Center stage in Fishermen's Village, 1200 West Retta Esplanade #57A, *Punta Gorda*.  
**DJ GATOR**, 7 p.m. - 11 p.m., Wyvern Hotel, 101 E. Retta Esplanade, *Punta Gorda*. 941-639-7700.  
**DENNY FUGAZZOTTO**, (live music), 7 p.m., American Legion NO-VEL Post 159, 1770 Venice E. Blvd., *Venice*. 941-485-4748.  
**KARAOKE WITH DJ JOHN**, 9 p.m. - midnight. Applebees Venice, 4329 Tamiami Trail, *Venice*. 941-497-7740.  
**OPEN MIC/KARAOKE WITH POPCORN & IZZY**, 7 p.m., The Office Pub, 1195 U.S. 41 Bypass S., *Venice*. 941-445-5973.  
**VALLERIE AND NEALE**, (live music), 6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. The Allegro Bistro, 1740 E. Venice Ave., *Venice*. 941-484-1889.  
**FREE YOGA AT VENICE BEACH PAVILION**, 8 a.m. and 7:45 p.m. *Venice*.

SATURDAY

**ESCAPE WITH SPOTLIGHT**, ('80s), 6:30 p.m.- 10:30 p.m. Englewood Eagles 3885, 250 Old Englewood Rd., *Englewood*. 941-474-9802.  
**COASTAL JAMS**, (live music), 7 p.m. Beyond the Sea Restaurant and Supper Club, 3555 S. Access Rd., *Englewood*. 941-474-1400.  
**JACK MOSELY BAND**, (live music), Englewoods On Dearborn Restaurant & Bar, 362 West Dearborn St., *Englewood*. 941-475-7501.  
**TWICE AS NICE**, (live music), 6 p.m. - 10 p.m. Englewood Moose Lodge, 55 West Dearborn St., *Englewood*. 941-473-2670.  
**BANDANA**, (live music), 7 p.m. - 11 p.m. Flounders on Englewood Beach, 1975 Beach Rd.,

*Englewood*. 941-460-8280.  
**KARAOKE**, 7 p.m. Pig N Whistle, Placida Plaza, Gasparilla Road, *Englewood*. 941-698-0021.  
**VERMONT'S EASY STREET**, (live Cajun music) 7 p.m.-9 p.m. The Zydeco Grille, 8501 Placida Rd., *Englewood*. 941-828-1472.  
**JIMMY JAY**, (live music), 6 p.m.-9 p.m. La Stanza Restaurant, 285 W. Dearborn St., *Englewood*. 941-475-1355.  
**BINGO**, 1 p.m. VFW, 550 N. McCall Rd., *Englewood*. 941-474-7516.  
**FREE YOGA AT ENGLEWOOD BEACH**, 8:30 a.m. *Englewood Beach*.  
**KARAOKE WITH WAM AL & MARILYN**, 7 p.m. - 10 p.m. American Legion Post #113, 3436 Indiana Rd., *Rotonda*. 941-697-3616.  
**MIKE IMBASCIANI & HIS BLUEZ-ROCKERZ WITH KATE KEYS**, (live music), Perico's, 2401 Hancock Bridge Pkwy., *Cape Coral*. 239-829-0606.  
**CRUZAN VIBES**, (live music), 3 p.m. Zig Zag Lounge at Seminole Casino Immokalee, 506 S. 1st St., *Immokalee*. 239-658-1313.  
**WILD CATS**, (live music), 9 p.m. Zig Zag Lounge at Seminole Casino Immokalee, 506 S. 1st St., *Immokalee*. 239-658-1313.  
**RENN LOREN**, (trop rock), 2 p.m.- 5 p.m. Nav-A-Gator, 9700 SW Riverview Cir., *Lake Suzy*. 941-627-3474.  
**KARAOKE**, 7 p.m. - 10 p.m. North Port Family Restaurant, 14525 Tamiami Trail, *North Port*. 941-426-9885.  
**FREE TEXAS HOLD 'EM BY POCKET ROCKETS POKER LEAGUE**, 12 p.m. - 5 p.m. North Port Family Restaurant, 14525 Tamiami Trail Unit 7, *North Port*. 941-240-2675.  
**KITT MORAN**, (jazz), 7 p.m.-10 p.m. J.D.'s Bistro Grille, 1951 Tamiami Trail, *Port Charlotte*. 941-255-0994.  
**KARAOKE**, Port Charlotte VFW Post 5690, 23204 Freedom Ave., *Port Charlotte*. 941-467-4447.  
**KARAOKE WITH THE CONNECTION**, 9 p.m.-1 a.m. Nemo's Sports Cafe at Bowland, 3192 Harbor Blvd., *Port Charlotte*. 941-625-4794.  
**KARAOKE WITH DJ 'DON' QUIEDO**, 9 p.m.- 1 a.m. Portside Tavern, 3636 Tamiami Trail, *Port Charlotte*. 941-629-3055.  
**LATIN DANCE NIGHT**, 9 p.m. - 2 a.m. Morales Cuban Restaurant, 3492 Tamiami Trail, *Port Charlotte*. 941-627-9355.  
**PUNTA GORDA FARMERS MARKET**, 8 a.m. - 12 p.m. Taylor Street and W. Olympia Avenue, *Punta Gorda*.  
**WHISKEY THROTTLE**, (live music), 8 p.m. - 11 p.m. DJ Franco until 2 a.m. Harpoon Harry's, 1200 W. Retta Esplanade, *Punta Gorda*. 941-637-1177.  
**ZOMBIE UNIVERSITY**, (live music), 8:30 p.m. - 12:30 a.m. Dean's South of the Border, 130 Tamiami Trail, *Punta Gorda*. 941-575-6100.  
**ENDLESS VIBES**, (live music), 8 p.m. - 12 a.m. Hurricane Charley's, 300 W. Retta Esplanade at the Punta Gorda Waterfront Hotel, *Punta Gorda*. 941-639-9695.  
**FLAMENCO BY GERARDO**, (live music), 6 p.m. - 9 p.m. Presseller's Restaurant, 209 W. Olympia Ave., *Punta Gorda*.  
**3 DEEP**, (live music), 7 p.m. - 11 p.m., Wyvern Hotel, 101 E. Retta Esplanade, *Punta Gorda*. 941-639-7700.  
**RECONNECTIONS BAND**, (variety/dance), 5 p.m. - 9 p.m., Center stage in Fishermen's Village, 1200 West Retta Esplanade #57A, *Punta Gorda*.  
**KARAOKE WITH BRUCE SHELLY**, 6 p.m., American Legion NO-VEL Post 159, 1770 Venice E. Blvd., *Venice*. 941-485-4748.



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Well, I hope that between your busy schedules you can continue to find the time to send me your photos for Around Town, your events for the Out and About section and anything else you

wish to share with other Let's Go! readers.

Your feedback is also very much appreciated. A Let's Go! reader recently brought to our attention that our Out and About section lists a lot of live music happenings, but we don't always say what type of music it is. In order to make this section more reader-friendly, we've asked that submit-

ters let us know what type of live music will be featured, such as country, jazz, trop rock, oldies, etc. So far, we have gotten some response but I hope that in the next month or so we can get even more musical categories listed. In the meantime, please continue submitting your content to LetsGo@sun-herald.com.



**KIM COOL**  
Features Editor

## Explore Venice this week

Venice has beaches for people and even one for dogs. All have fossils of prehistoric shark, horse and occasional mammoth teeth plus sting-ray barbs and even an occasional native American artifact.

Fishing is popular along the beach and on the Venice Fishing Pier. So is eating fish, especially on the waterfront at Sharky's Restaurant at the Pier, at the Crow's Nest adjacent to the Venice Jetty and at the recently opened Marker Four adjacent to the Hatchett Creek Bridge. My seafood of choice is Florida lobster when available or the rock shrimp that are nearly always available at Capt. Eddy's in neighboring Nokomis. I save all other fish for everyone else. Occasionally I am tempted such as when a friend orders fish and chips at Robbi's Reef on Bypass 41 South. Robbi's

is not on the water but its walls are lined with photos of fish caught in the area as well some taxidermied specimens. The fish in Robbi's aquarium are too small to eat but provide a colorful backdrop to this neighborhood eatery.

Since Venice was named for a town in Italy, it naturally has a collection of terrific Italian eateries such as Made in Italy and Casariano on Venice Avenue and my personal favorite, Luna Ristorante at the corner of North Nokomis and West Tampa avenues. Not only is the food good and portions ample but the owners restored the historic building to its 1927 finery, with stunning detail work around the doorways. Sam Altieri added well-thought-out flowers and greenery. Within the building is her husband Mike Altieri's sports memorabilia

collection (worth a trip on its own). An added outdoor porch facing North Nokomis Avenue and Venice Theatre features a pergola above and hand-striped pilasters for the railing. Large rocks adorned with metal letters spelling LUNA, do what good signs should do without the visual cacophony of neon, or in-your-face block letters. This may be the best historic restoration in the city and certainly the most tasteful signage.

After dinner, head to neighboring Venice Theatre for "Cabaret" on the mainstage or a cabaret-style show in the Pinkerton. Call 941-488-1115.

To learn more about Venice, visit the Venice Museum and Archives, 351 S. Nassau St. from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. any Monday or Wednesday.



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**ENGLEWOOD**

**Classic and Collector Car Show**

The return of the Classic and Collector Car Show as part of the Englewood Pioneer Days Park Festivals on Dearborn St. will be Sunday, Aug. 31. Participation is open to all clubs or owners of classic and collector cars. Cars will be on display from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. On Monday, Sept. 1, classic and collector cars will end the Englewood Pioneer Days Parade and then park on Dearborn St. for all to see. Registration for the event, including the parade, is free, but spaces are limited. There will be a mayor's trophy awarded each day. Music on Sunday will be provided by Tom's Traveling Tunes. To register, contact Diana Woodruff at diana.woodruff@aol.com.

**PORT CHARLOTTE**

**Are you the next Charlotte Idol?**

The Charlotte Idol singing competition is back. Supported by Premier Sponsor Sam's Club, Charlotte Idol starts with audition night on Friday, Aug. 8, at 5:30 p.m. at the Cultural Center Theatre. Auditions are free for performers and everyone age 15 and up is eligible to compete. Spectator tickets are \$5. There will be a cash bar and snacks available for purchase the night of the event. Twenty singers will make it to the second round to return on Finals night. Finals night will be held on Friday, Aug. 22, at the Charlotte Harbor Event & Conference Center in Punta Gorda. VIP tickets for the finals are \$70

and doors open at 5 p.m. VIP tickets include a Florida-style buffet dinner, special seating and pre-show entertainment. General admission tickets are available for \$20 and doors for general admission will open at 6 p.m. with cash bar and snacks available for purchase in the lobby.

Finals winners will receive \$1,000 for first place, \$500 for second place, and \$250 for third place. All proceeds from this event will benefit the Charlotte County Homeless Coalition's shelter youth tutoring program.

For information for singers and on how to obtain tickets for audition and finals night, contact Tina Figliuolo at 941-627-4313, ext. 118.

**Port Charlotte Elks to host 'Showcase of Stars'**

On Aug. 9, the Port Charlotte Elks are having a fundraiser talent show titled "Showcase of the Stars." Dinner will be included. Tickets are on sale at the lodge and are \$12.50 per person.

The talent show will feature singers, skits and dinner. Dinner is at 5 p.m. and showtime is 6:30 p.m. The Port Charlotte Elks is at 20225 Kenilworth Blvd., Port Charlotte. For more information, call 941-625-7571.

**PUNTA GORDA**

**Foreign film series to resume**

Florida Gulf Coast University's Renaissance Academy will begin its fourth season of the Classic Foreign Film Series. Films are showed every Tuesday at 1 p.m. at FGCU's Renaissance Academy located at 117 Herald Court Square, Punta Gorda. Tickets are \$5 and includes

refreshments. Prior to each film, Lee Stein, moderator, introduces the film. A brief discussion follows each movie. Stein has managed movie theaters in the Chicago area and was a committee member of the Peace River Film Festival. For additional information, contact Nancy Staub at 941-505-1765. The following films are scheduled for August and September:

Aug. 12: I'm So Excited (Spain 2013); Aug. 19: Jules & Jim (France 1962); Aug. 26: The Magic Flute (Sweden 1975); Sept. 2: The Diamond Arm (Russia 1968); Sept. 9: Police, Adjective (Romania 2009); Sept. 16: Bride Flight (Holland 2011); Sept. 23: Big Deal on Madonna Street (Italy 1958); and Sept. 30: Obama (Afghanistan 2003).

**YMCA to hold fundraiser**

The Charlotte County Family YMCA will hold a Safari Party from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. Aug. 23 at the Bayfront Center YMCA, 750 W. Retta Esplanade, Punta Gorda. This event will be a fun night, with steak and shrimp for dinner, and dancing music with performers Tim Goodman and Roseanne Botts. The master of ceremonies will be Gid Pool. Honorary Chairman, Charlotte County Sheriff Bill Pummell, will present a special thank-you to a longtime YMCA Safari Party supporter, Garnette Scholl.

The cost is \$50 per person. All proceeds will benefit the YMCA's Community Kids Campaign to assist local families in need to participate in quality child care, camps and youth programs. Tickets may be purchased at any YMCA location in Port Charlotte, Punta Gorda or North Port, online at www.charlottecountyyymca.com/sp.html, or by calling 941-347-8855.

**FORT MYERS**

**Prepare to be aMUSEd at Alliance for the Arts**

The Alliance for the Arts will present its fall fundraising extravaganza, "aMUSEd" on Saturday, Sept. 27. Join the fun as they pay patronage to their muses and honor the process of creation. Let your muse guide you from inspiration to invention to obsession.

The evening will be filled with music, interactive art, amusing diversions, wandering muses and other amusing surprises. Fine tapas will be provided by Southwest Florida's best chefs. Explore, nurture and liberate your inner muse during this unique art party and celebration. The amusement begins at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$100 and are available online at www.ArtInLee.org or at the Alliance. Event proceeds benefit educational and outreach programs.

The Alliance campus and galleries are open to the public from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturdays, located at 10091 McGregor Boulevard just south of Colonial Boulevard in Fort Myers.

**Wizard of Oz Back to School Outdoor Family Movie Night**

Come celebrate the end of summer break with a screening of The Wizard of Oz at the Alliance for the Arts on Saturday, Aug. 9, at 8 p.m. Bring your lawn chairs, picnic baskets, blankets and coolers and enjoy this classic film under the stars with your family and friends. A \$5 donation is suggested. The Alliance for the Arts is at 10091 McGregor Blvd., Fort Myers.

**OUT AND ABOUT**

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**FREE YOGA AT VENICE BEACH PAVILION**, 8 a.m. *Venice*.  
**FREE TEXAS HOLD 'EM BY POCKET ROCKETS POKER LEAGUE**, 5 p.m. - 2 a.m., Venice Bowling Alley, 1100 U.S. 41 Bypass S., *Venice*. 941-240-2675.

**SUNDAY**

**TRU KOUNTRY BAND**, (country), 2 p.m. - 5 p.m. Perico's Restaurant, 2401 Hancock Bridge Pkwy., Cape Coral N. Tamiami Trail, *Cape Coral*. 239-829-0606.  
**KARAOKE WITH CINDY**, 4 p.m. - 7 p.m. Englewood Eagles 3885, 250 Old Englewood Rd., *Englewood*. 941-474-9802.  
**KARAOKE WITH ANN AND SONNY**, 4 p.m. - 7 p.m. VFW, 550 N. McCall Rd., *Englewood*. 941-474-7516.  
**FREE YOGA AT ENGLEWOOD BEACH**, 8:30 a.m. *Englewood Beach*.  
**INZTANT KARMA**, (live music), 2 p.m., Zig Zag Lounge at Seminole Casino Immokalee, 506 S. 1st St., *Immokalee*. 239-658-1313.  
**RENN LOREN**, (trop rock), 2 p.m. - 5 p.m. Nav-A-Gator, 9700 SW Riverview Cir., *Lake Suzy*. 941-627-3474.  
**FREE TEXAS HOLD 'EM BY POCKET ROCKETS POKER LEAGUE**, 12:30 p.m. -

4 p.m. Olde World Restaurant, 14415 Tamiami Trail, *North Port*. 941-426-1155.  
**CROSTOWN GYPSY**, (live music), 6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. Portofino Waterfront Dining, 23241 Bayshore Rd., *Port Charlotte*. 941-743-2800.  
**FARMERS MARKET**, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. History Park, 501 Shreve St., *Punta Gorda*. 941-380-6814.  
**SONS OF BEACHES**, (live music), 8:30 p.m. - 12:30 a.m. Dean's South of the Border, 130 Tamiami Trail, *Punta Gorda*. 941-575-6100.  
**MICHAEL HIRST**, (guitarist), 6 p.m. - 10 p.m. Hurricane Charley's, 300 W. Retta Esplanade at the Punta Gorda Waterfront Hotel, *Punta Gorda*. 941-639-9695.  
**BANDANA**, (live music), 1 p.m. - 5 p.m. Snook Haven Restaurant, 5000 E. Venice Ave., *Venice*. 941-485-7221.  
**FREE YOGA AT VENICE BEACH PAVILION**, 8 a.m. *Venice*.

**MONDAY**

**TRIVIA**, 6 p.m. - 10 p.m. The End Zone, 2411 S. McCall Rd., *Englewood*. 941-473-ZONE.  
**FREE YOGA AT ENGLEWOOD BEACH**, 8:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. *Englewood Beach*.  
**CACHET**, (live music), 8 p.m. Zig Zag Lounge at Seminole Casino Immokalee, 506 S. 1st St., *Immokalee*. 239-658-1313.  
**FREE TEXAS HOLD 'EM BY POCKET ROCKETS POKER LEAGUE**, 6 p.m. - close. Olde World Restaurant, 14415 Tamiami Trail, *North Port*. 941-426-1155.  
**TEXAS HOLD 'EM POKER**, Port Charlotte VFW Post 5690, 23204 Freedom Ave., *Port Charlotte*. 941-467-4447.  
**BINGO**, 6 p.m. American Legion Post 110,

3152 Harbor Blvd., *Port Charlotte*. 941-629-7446.  
**FUN WITH MUSIC**, 1 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. Cultural Center, 2280 Aaron St., *Port Charlotte*. 941-625-4175.  
**CHRIS G**, (pop/tropical), 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m., Center stage in Fishermen's Village, 1200 West Retta Esplanade #57A, *Punta Gorda*.  
**OPEN MIC NIGHT**, 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m., Center stage in Fishermen's Village, 1200 West Retta Esplanade #57A, *Punta Gorda*.  
**JEFF HUGHES**, (live music), 8:30 p.m. - 12:30 a.m. Dean's South of the Border, 130 Tamiami Trail, *Punta Gorda*. 941-575-6100.  
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**TUESDAY**

**ESCAPE ENTERTAINMENT**, (live music), 6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. Englewood Eagles 3885, 250 Old Englewood Rd., *Englewood*. 941-474-9802.  
**FREE TEXAS HOLD 'EM POKER**, 5 p.m. - 10 p.m. Bay City Grille, 115 W. Dearborn St., *Englewood*. 941-240-2675.  
**FREE BLUEGRASS MUSIC**, 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. Bay Heights Park, 1000 S. Indiana Ave., *Englewood*.  
**TRIVIA**, 6 p.m. Englewoods on Dearborn, 362 W. Dearborn St., *Englewood*. 941-475-7501.  
**FREE YOGA AT ENGLEWOOD BEACH**, 8:30 a.m. *Englewood Beach*.  
**X-FACTOR**, (live music), 8 p.m. Zig Zag

Lounge at Seminole Casino Immokalee, 506 S 1st St., *Immokalee*. 239-658-1313.  
**OPEN MIC NIGHT**, 6 p.m. Lake View Restaurant, 5605 S. McCall Road, *Port Charlotte*. 941-697-9200.  
**OPEN MIC NIGHT**, 8 p.m. - 11 p.m. Nemo's Sports Cafe at Bowland, 3192 Harbor Blvd., *Port Charlotte*.  
**FREE TEXAS HOLD 'EM POKER**, 7 p.m. Porky's Roadhouse, 4300 Kings Highway, *Port Charlotte*. 941-629-2114.  
**MIKE IMBASCIANI & HIS BLUEZ-ROCKERZ WITH KATE KEYS**, (live music), Visani, 2400 Kings Hwy., *Port Charlotte*. 941-764-3463.  
**TOLEDO BLADE**, (live music), 5 p.m. - 8 p.m. on the patio of The Portside Tavern, 3636 Tamiami Trail, *Port Charlotte*. 941-629-3050.  
**BINGO**, 11 a.m. Port Charlotte Elks Lodge 2153, 20225 Kenilworth Blvd., *Port Charlotte*. 941-627-4313, ext. 115.  
**REMEDY**, (live music), 8:30 p.m. - 12:30 a.m. Dean's South of the Border, 130 Tamiami Trail, *Punta Gorda*. 941-575-6100.  
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**DJ GEORGE**, 8 p.m. - 12 a.m. Hurricane Charley's, 300 W. Retta Esplanade at the Punta Gorda Waterfront Hotel, *Punta Gorda*. 941-639-9695.  
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This image released by Universal Pictures shows Chadwick Boseman, left, and Nelsan Ellis in a scene from "Get On Up."

## 'Get on Up'

By MICK LASALLE  
SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLE

Not every important artist makes for a good biopic. The story is the crucial element. The artist has to start somewhere, go somewhere and end up somewhere. The destinations can be physical or spiritual. Artists might stay in one location for 50 years but remake the universe inside their mind, and even that can be dramatic, so long as they take a complete inner journey. In the absence of that journey, that completion, the audience walks out of the theater with no sense of arrival.

This is the challenge posed by the life of James Brown, a challenge that "Get on Up" can't overcome. Brown definitely started somewhere, in the most soul-crushing poverty. And he definitely went somewhere, to the heights of pop stardom, wealth and achievement. But he ended up in a solipsistic dead end, artistically irrelevant for decades and lost inside his own legend. Neither a hero nor a cautionary tale, his life hovers in an odd space — genuinely amazing and impressive, and definitely theatrical, but not quite dramatic.

To their credit, director Tate Taylor and a trio of screenwriters do a good job of disguising the movie's central vacancy through a bold approach to the storytelling. They begin in 1988, with a scene in which the 56-year-old Brown flies into a rage and threatens a group of people with a rifle. From there, they flash back to 1968 and show Brown, on board a plane in Vietnam, getting shot at by surface-to-air missiles. Every other passenger is screaming, but Brown is perfectly relaxed, sure that nothing can happen to him.

These scenes announce, "This guy is crazy" and "You're going to have a good time," and for most of the way that's true. The opening minutes also let us know that, however zany Brown might be, the movie intends to match him. Throughout "Get on Up," Brown (Chadwick Boseman) keeps looking into the camera and acknowledging our presence. Most audaciously, this even happens during intensely dramatic moments.

Probably because they realize that Brown's life trails off into a 30-year ellipsis, the filmmakers flash back and forth through time, zigzagging around Brown's life, making poetic connections between events. This isn't the easiest way to plot a story, and it's a kind of high-wire act, in that it's difficult to know what fits together and what doesn't. Whether this approach was built into the script or discovered in the editing, it works for the most part. That is, it works until it doesn't.

There are moments of clumsiness. At one point, a character announces he's Jewish, for no apparent reason . . . except that the next scene shows a coffin bearing a star of David being lowered into the ground. Great, so we know who's dead. In another scene, apropos of nothing, the death of Martin Luther King Jr. is announced. This turns out to be a setup for the next scene, in which Brown heads off a near riot at a Boston concert the following day.

Boseman plays Brown as a mystery, someone who built up a wall of egomania around him as protection against the rejection he knew as a child; and as an artist in heedless pursuit of a sound. He is a lousy husband, a tyrannical boss and a useless friend, but he's probably the most interesting person everyone who knows him knows.

This is all good movie material, so far as it goes . . . but "Get on Up" can't go any further.

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# NOW SHOWING



## OPENING THIS WEEK

### The Hundred-Foot Journey

Runtime: 2 hr. 2 min. | Rated PG | For some violence, language, brief sensuality and thematic elements

Hassan Kadam (Manish Dayal) is a culinary ingénue. Displaced from their native India, the Kadam family, led by Papa (Om Puri), settles in the quaint village of Saint-Antonin-Noble-Val in the south of France. Filled with charm, it is both picturesque and elegant — the ideal place to settle down and open an Indian restaurant, the Maison Mumbai. That is, until the chilly chef proprietress of Le Saule Pleureur, a Michelin starred, classical French restaurant run by Madame Mallory (Helen Mirren), gets wind of it.

### Into the Storm

Runtime: 1 hr. 29 min. | Rated PG-13 | For sequences of intense destruction and peril, and language including some sexual references

In the span of a single day, the town of Silverton is ravaged by an unprecedented onslaught of tornadoes. The entire town is at the mercy of the erratic and deadly cyclones, even as storm trackers predict the worst is yet to come. Most people seek shelter, while others run towards the vortex, testing how far a storm chaser will go for that once-in-a-lifetime shot.

### Step Up: All In

Runtime: 1 hr. 52 min. | Rated PG-13 | For suggestive material and some language

In the latest chapter of the Step Up series, all-stars from previous installments come together in Las Vegas to battle for a victory that could define their dreams and their careers.

### Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles

Runtime: 1 hr. 41 min. | Rated PG-13

The city needs heroes. Darkness has settled over New York City as Shredder and his evil Foot Clan have an iron grip on everything from the police to the politicians. The future is grim until four unlikely outcast brothers rise from the sewers and discover their destiny as Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles. The Turtles must work with fearless reporter April and her wise-cracking cameraman Vern Fenwick to save the city and unravel Shredder's diabolical plan.

## MOVIES NOW PLAYING

### Get on Up

Runtime: 2 hr. 13 min. | Rated PG-13 | For sexual content, drug use, some strong language and violent situations

A chronicle of James Brown's rise from extreme poverty to become one of the most influential musicians in history.

### Guardians of the Galaxy

Runtime: 2 hr. 2 min. | Rated PG-13 | For some language and intense sci-fi action/violence

Brash adventurer Peter Quill finds himself the object of an unrelenting bounty hunt after stealing a mysterious orb coveted by Ronan, a powerful villain with ambitions that threaten the entire universe. To evade the ever-persistent Ronan, Quill is forced into an uneasy truce with a quartet of disparate misfits — Rocket, a gun-toting raccoon, Groot, a tree-like humanoid, the deadly and enigmatic Gamora and the revenge-driven Drax the Destroyer.

### And So It Goes

Runtime: 1 hr. 34 min. | Rated PG-13 | For some sexual references and drug elements

A self-centered realtor enlists the help of his neighbor when he's suddenly left in charge of the granddaughter he

never knew existed until his estranged son drops her off at his home.

### Hercules

Runtime: 1 hr. 38 min. | Rated PG-13 | Action/adventure

Both man and myth, Hercules (Dwayne Johnson) leads a band of mercenaries to help end a bloody civil war in the land of Thrace and return the rightful king to his throne. A tormented soul from birth, Hercules has the strength of a God but feels the suffering of a human.

### Lucy

Runtime: 1 hr. 30 min. | Rated R | For sexuality, disturbing images and strong violence

Lucy (Scarlett Johansson) accidentally gets caught up in a drug deal, but she soon turns the tables on her captors and transforms into a merciless warrior evolved beyond human comprehension.

### Planes: Fire & Rescue

Runtime: 1 hr. 23 min. | Rated PG | For some peril and action

When world famous air racer Dusty learns that his engine is damaged and he may never race again, he shifts gears and is launched into the world of aerial firefighting.

### The Purge: Anarchy

Runtime: 1 hr. 43 min. | Rated R | For strong disturbing violence and language

On the night of the annual Purge, five citizens find out just how far they will go to protect themselves and, ultimately, each other, as they fight to survive a night fraught with impossible decisions.

### Sex Tape

Runtime: 1 hr. 34 min. | Rated R | For nudity, language, some drug use and strong sexual content

When Jay and Annie first got together, their romantic connection was intense — but 10 years and two kids later, their love needs a spark. They decide to make a video of themselves trying out every position and it seems like a great idea — until they discover that their most private video is no longer private.

### Dawn of the Planet of the Apes

Runtime: 2 hr. 10 min. | Rated PG-13 | For intense sci-fi action/violence and brief strong language

A growing nation of genetically evolved apes led by Caesar is threatened by a band of human survivors of the devastating virus unleashed a decade earlier. They reach a fragile peace, but it proves short-lived, as both sides are brought to the brink of a war that will determine who will emerge as Earth's dominant species.

## PLEASE NOTE MOVIE SHOWTIMES ARE NOT AVAILABLE BY PRESS TIME

Also, not all movies will be available in your area, and there are more movies showing at local theaters than those listed. Please check your local theater for listings and showtimes. Information provided by Fandango.

- **Regal Town Center Stadium 16** — Port Charlotte, 1441 Tamiami Trail, in the Town Center Mall. Phone: 941-623-0111.
- **Frank Theatres** — Galleria Stadium 12, 2111 S. Tamiami Trail, Venice. Phone: 941-408-9237.
- **AMC Sarasota 12** — 8201 S. Tamiami Trail, Sarasota, in the Sarasota Square Mall. Phone: 941-922-4900.
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Cape Haze Marina employees prepare for the big event last year during the Pirate Poker Run, sponsored by the Englewood Florida Chamber of Commerce.

# Pirates to invade Englewood for Poker Run

By **ELAINE ALLEN-EMRICH**  
COMMUNITY NEWS EDITOR

The waters along Englewood Beach will be invaded by pirates this weekend.

Those won't be pesky pirates, but ones on a mission to help needy children in Englewood, while having a boatload of fun.

The Englewood Florida Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring the sixth annual Pirate Poker Run Friday and Saturday, Aug. 8-9, by land and by sea in the greater Englewood area.

The event is designed to bring together a fun day of pirate mayhem while raising funds to benefit the Backpack Kidz program that helps to provide weekend meals for about 4,800 Charlotte County youth every year.

"The (BackPack Kidz) program provides nutritional support to children from Vineland Elementary (School) over the weekend, helping children and families that may otherwise go without a meal," event co-chairman Ken Stead said.

The event kicks off with a Captain's Party Aug. 8 at Flounders Restaurant & Tiki Bar, where participants can pick up their swag bag

(with poker cards, a T-shirt, a Koozie cup and more) and register if not preregistered.

Aug. 9, additional registration will be available starting at 10 a.m. at Cape Haze Marina. The first hand is \$25. The second hand is only \$10. Participants can buy "The Boat Load Hand" for \$100, which includes five poker hands, five T-shirts and five Koozies.

Participants will travel to five stops to draw cards to complete their hand. The stops are Zekes at Royal Palm Marina, Flounders Restaurant & Tiki Bar, Weston's WannaB Inn, Stump Pass Grille at Stump Pass Marina, and Cape Haze Marina. Hands must be turned in at Cape Haze Marina by 5 p.m., followed by an awards ceremony.

"A tremendous amount of the participants arrive in costume," Stead said. "Even though it's the heat of August, people come dressed in full pirate regalia. The wait staff at each location dresses in costume. There's entertainment at the restaurants. There's temporary tattoos and face painting. People just come to have a really good time. As the day progresses, the event gets bigger because people want to join in. Everyone ends up at the same

location for the last stop. One year, a group did the poker run on bicycles."

Last year, the chamber donated \$1,100 to the Charlotte County Veterans Stand Down program, through the participation of about 400 "pirates." This year, the group hopes to be able to give even more to the Backpack Kidz program.

"The event has doubled in size in the past three years," said Stead, adding the Pirate Poker Run was the brainchild of a group who graduated from a community leadership class six years ago. "They handed it over to the chamber to run. The alumni (check) on us to make sure we are doing a good job with it."

In addition to participants dressing like pirates, those who choose to ride on the Captiva

Cruises 40-passenger boat will be joined by semiprofessional pirates. Tickets are \$50, and include a poker hand, a T-shirt and a Koozie. The boat will depart from Cape Haze Marina at 11 a.m. Aug. 9.

"They are bringing cannons and (fake) guns," he said. "The cannons will be fired at each location."

The first-place prize for the best poker hand is \$500; second, \$250; and third, \$100.

"This year, we are introducing a random hand drawing from all the hands turned in," Stead said. "Other prizes will be awarded for the best individual pirate costume and best crew costumes."

Poker hands may be purchased online at [www.piratepokerrun.org](http://www.piratepokerrun.org). Hands also will be available at the Captain's Party at Flounders.

Register online at [www.piratepoker.run.org](http://www.piratepoker.run.org). For more information, call 239-994-4206.



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# Custom crafts, whimsical art, cool air and hot deals at Venice Summer Craft Show

By **CHRIS KOURAPIS**  
SUN CORRESPONDENT

Escape the heat on Saturday, Aug. 9, by attending the Venice Community Center's Annual Summer Craft Show. The event, sponsored by the center's partners, takes place in a spacious, air-conditioned facility located in the heart of Venice Island's Cultural Park.

Its neighbors are the Venice Public Library, the Venice Art Center, Triangle Inn, the Venice Archives, and the Venice Arboretum with its Gazebo and Public Art. Chairman, Marilyn Carcioppolo, her husband, Vito, along with Betty Watson, Susan Cairo, and a host of volunteers, will provide special luncheon treats in the Center's Craft Cafe.

"We're excited to once again be serving our very popular grilled sausage, peppers and onions sandwiches and huge Sugar Dale hot dogs. Detwiler's, our local Farm Market, donates all the fresh vegetables for our grilled sandwiches, and we've added mac and cheese to our menu this year," said Marilyn. "All proceeds from the show benefit the Venice Community Center and its many free activities that are offered throughout the year."

Program coordinator at the Venice Community Center Dorian Mattox expects between 40-50 vendors and crafters who will be selling a wide variety of goods.

Judi Light, a British-born, Canadian-raised artist, recently relocated to the Venice area from Washington State. Her work can be viewed online at [www.lighttouchart.com](http://www.lighttouchart.com).

"I've found my whimsical niche by creating Wee Folk Art," Light said.

She creates "touching, humorous paintings that uplift and lighten the soul" by using engineering pens to produce ink drawings and adding layers of watercolor washes. Many of her originals may be viewed at the Marietta Museum of Art and Whimsy in Sarasota from October through May. She's also the author of "The Magical World of Twigshire"

a feel-good book for all ages.

Denise Crawford of Denebi Designs will be displaying and selling handmade silver-plated antique vintage silverware bracelets and a wide array of items such as necklaces, pendants, key chains, watches, rings, bud vases and earrings. Crawford, who has been attending the Venice Center's Craft Show for the past two years, travels to antique stores and flea markets around Florida in order to find rare silverware for her creations.

Crawford and fellow artist, Debi Kenney, welcome special orders from customers who want to transform their family heirloom silverware into pieces of beautiful jewelry online at [www.DenebiDesigns.com](http://www.DenebiDesigns.com).

One of the most popular crafters of wooden bread boards and cutting boards, Ted Lane, returns this year. He uses three kinds of hard wood to make "End Grain Butcher Block Patterned Cutting Boards" with rubber feet on the underside to prevent slipping. Unlike machine made boards that are flat with the wood grain running parallel, Lane's boards have geometric patterns or circular rings that are scratch proof and durable.

"I use a century old process," said Lane. "I travel to Goshen, Indiana every year to purchase black walnut, red cherry, sassafras, hickory, and maple hard woods from an Amish saw mill. Customers don't have to worry about damaging the beautiful design. After all, who said that cutting boards have to be ugly?"

Place an order at [tedlane@comcast.net](mailto:tedlane@comcast.net).

Brenda Spalding, of [www.abcbooks4children.com](http://www.abcbooks4children.com), will be attending with nine authors, including Carole Stevens Bibisi, Judi Light, Julia Mowery, Kate Nixon, Robert Coons, Linda Schell, Diane Worthen and Lucy Tobias.

Admission to the Summer Craft Show is free. It takes place from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Venice Community Center located at 326 S. Nokomis Ave., Venice. For more information, call 941-861-1380.



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Ted Lane learned woodworking skills from his father in Monticello, Ind. Lane will be selling his handcrafted cutting boards on Aug. 9 at the Venice Community Center from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.



"Sole Mates," an ink drawing by Linda Light, is an example of Light's unique "Wee folk Art" that will be on display at the Venice Community Center's Annual Summer Craft Show.



Linda Light produces whimsical Wee folk Art that "uplifts and lightens the heart."



Denise Crawford will be selling silver plated antique vintage bracelets, necklaces, and earrings at the show.



At a recent craft show, Denise Crawford displayed a wide array of silver plated antique vintage items for sale.



# Let's GO! AROUND TOWN



SUN PHOTO BY PETER ARATARI

Jamie Bird, Joe Carter, Dexter Harter and Debbie Harter sharing a smile before lunch at Harpoon Harry's in Punta Gorda during Pirate Fest.



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Elaine and Edward Davis enjoying ice cream cones for dessert at A Better Scoop Ice Cream Shoppe in Englewood.



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Flo Harms, Fera Suskic and Shirley Alberts enjoying a night at the lounge at La Stanza Ristorante in Englewood.



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Joshua Hunter Lutinski sings karaoke at Chubbyz Tavern and Grill during their Rockstar "3D" Friday Night.



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Jimi Banks serenading the audience of dinner patrons at the Beach Road Wine Bar and Bistro in Englewood.



SUN PHOTO BY MONICA AMAYA

Kayla Toohill, Abby Williams, and Jessica Breeden, summer campers at Light-house Baptist Church behind the North Port Home Depot, during the recent "Water Day" at the church.



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Jane Morrison, Terry Taggart, Gloria Grimes and Theresa Mulconis enjoying this year's running of Pirate Fest at Fishermen's Village.



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Patrick and Joyce Keigher celebrating their July birthdays at Crow's Nest Restaurant in Venice.



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Woodland Middle School band camp staff member Amanda Lyon, far left, assists the woodwind section in learning music.



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Broadside Tom and Kevin Smith enjoying the day at this year's Pirate Fest in Fishermen's Village.



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Trevor Melton, 14, a rising freshman at NPHS, volunteers at Light-house Baptist Church during summer camp.



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Amanda Hoffman, Nathan Camamechis, Jen Sitka and Michael Oelker stopping for a photo during an afternoon stroll down Dearborn Street in Englewood.



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Jackie Martinez, Katie Faria and Jennifer Johns enjoying the party at Rize Nightclub in Port Charlotte during their Glow Hard Neon Circus event.



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Pat Farler and Jim Farler having a nice evening out for pizza at Amore's in Venice.



SUN PHOTO BY PETER ARATARI

Bruce Gillum, Pamela Gillum and Allen Brewer sharing a smile at their favorite restaurant Compadres in Englewood.



# Yo ho ho and a tankard of soup

No matter how you look at it, 20 years in the restaurant business is a long time. When a whole family persists at it for more than half a century, it's a saga.

The Arbuckles of Venice and Nokomis are variously, creative, eccentric, dogged, gregarious, flamboyant, occasionally overextended, and rarely boring.

It all started with an 18th-century Cape Cod sea captain's house that looked like something out of Christmas in Connecticut. In 1958, when Bill Arbuckle installed an inn-restaurant there, antique buffs and artists flocked in, sometimes booking a year in advance.

It was such a success that Bill's brother, Bob, in tony Sherborn, Mass., bought into the concept. Their doctor had advised a warmer climate for Bob's wife, Janet who suffered from arthritis. So, Bob moved the family to Nokomis, opening the Admiral Benbow Club, a cluster of cottages on Casey Key Road. Years later, author pal John D. MacDonald would drawl, "Janet and Bob have been down here since a dog could nap any morning in the middle of Casey Key Road."

But Bob Arbuckle hadn't realized that a Cape Cod inn can be as successful in summer as at Yuletide. Florida cottages? Not so much.

Undaunted, still smitten with Treasure Island and old Cape Cod, he next bestowed Benbow's title on The Admiral's Galley at Casey Key Marina. Its lease fell through.



**SUE WADE**  
Sun Correspondent

Not one to take this as another rejection from the universe, Bob opened The Admiral's Wardroom, transforming a Nokomis boats/bait/beer joint into a waterfront colonial tavern unlike anything Florida could have seen in the 1700s. Flickering candles, wood paneling, beamed ceilings, blue tablecloths, yellow fancy-fold napkins, pewter tankards of Admiral's Grog.

It worked. Hosts Bob and Janet were soon called "Mr. and Mrs. A." Bob sported plaid trousers and green jackets embroidered with lobsters. They befriended every-

one to Siesta Key and beyond. Local literati MacDonald, Jan de Hartog, and Walter Farley (The Black Stallion) popped in.

Cocktails flowed, gals swanned about dangling a Pall Mall in one hand and a Golden Stinger or a Whisper in the other. This was the life!

But Janet wanted more than just to be Wardroom hostess. Afire with ideas, she leased space in Siesta Key for The Left Bank café, promoted it with a Wardroom cookbook, and went to town.

Son Dave, chef-owner of Nokomis' Curry Creek Café, recalls, "At first she cannibalized from the Wardroom when Bob wasn't looking. She'd collect whatever she could in 5-gallon buckets and drive it to her place, where the chef would cook it up. This worked for a couple weeks, but if they hadn't run things like a real restaurant, Bob would've closed them down."

In this cocktail-addled beachside town, Janet needed a catchy drink.

"There's no time when Bloody Marys are inappropriate," she chirped.

The Left Bank had only 30 seats; 150 were needed for a liquor license. Janet discussed this with the Division of Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco. "They are not amused," she pouted. "And there's simply no way around

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- Left Coast Seafood Co., 385 U.S. 41 Bypass, Venice. Open daily from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Call 941-485-5064.

- Curry Creek Café, 920 Tamiami Trail, Nokomis. Open from 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. and from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Call 941-485-6560.

- Pelican Alley, 1009 Albee Rd W., Nokomis. Open from 11:30 a.m. to 2 a.m. Sunday through Monday (look for Bob after hours and on YouTube).

it. Unless one is clever!"

Janet knew she could use liquor in recipes, if not in drinks. So, Bloody Mary Soup went on the menu—ice cold, in mugs with spoons, celery, and Saltines. Soon Bloody Marys were flowing like, um, soup, and she'd found her niche.

Before long, other restaurateurs complained, and the state investigated. But seeing as she hadn't exactly broken the law, they shrugged.

The week the Wardroom was sold in 1981, Bob Arbuckle died and missed the closing.

But the saga didn't end. Psychics claim Bob's spirit believes he still owns today's Pelican Alley, flicking kitchen switches, moving mops, and making appearances for ghost hunters.

And, remember, there's a whole family carrying on here.

Rob Arbuckle — with his daughter Mariel, now the owner — has run Venice's Left Coast Seafood Co. for 13 years, in two different Venice locations.

Dave Arbuckle got his start at 13 at the Wardroom. He later pioneered in edible flowers and mingled in Washington, D.C., chef circles, then returned home to launch an award-winning Indonesian-American café with his wife Rofi.

Although Dave's daughters declined what he calls a life of "smelling like shrimp and garlic all the time," there's a new member of the clan, Dave's granddaughter Penelope, who might not mind.

"It's just typical restaurant family life," says Dave.

Know a restaurant or bar with a good story to tell? Sue Wade wants to hear about it, at [sue.gleasonwade@cengage.com](mailto:sue.gleasonwade@cengage.com).



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**Dave Arbuckle after lunch  
rush at Curry Creek Café.**



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**The Admiral's Wardroom bar, pewter mugs hanging overhead. Charlie Clapp, local developer; Janet Arbuckle; and Bob Arbuckle.**



SUN FILE  
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**Mariel Arbuckle and her Dad, Rob, welcome diners to their new Left Coast Seafood Co. location at 385 U.S. 41 Bypass N. in Venice.**



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**Pelican Alley today. The Wardroom bar once spanned the back wall.**

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# For authentic Italian food try Father & Son Pizzeria

By **DEBBIE FLESSNER**  
SUN CORRESPONDENT

The Sciacca family knows pizza. But they also know how to make a whole menu full of traditional Italian dishes. After all, Sal Sr. brought all his favorite recipes over from Sicily, Italy.

Now, he owns Father & Son Pizzeria with his sons Sal Jr. and Andy, and since they opened the Punta Gorda restaurant almost two years ago, word has been spreading about the authentic Italian food.

Sal Jr. talked about this as he hand-rolled his bread on the counter just before opening for lunch.

"Me, my dad, my brother and both of our fiancés are the ones who work here," he said. "Everything is done by hand — the bread we make every day, 30 to 40 loaves a day. Then, when we run out, we run out."

Father & Son only seats about 28 people, but one of the best things about having a small restaurant is that it's easier to control the quality of every single ingredient that goes into the food. Sal Jr. said they not only make their own dough each day, but they also make their own fresh mozzarella, which they use on the Capresi salad, the pasta dishes and atop their famous pizzas.

The house-style pizza served at the restaurant is a New York, thin-crust, but diners can also choose from stuffed pizzas, and calzones and strombolis filled with a variety of fresh vegetables and meats. There are also daily lunch and dinner specials, plus great prices on delivery, pick-up or eat-in pizzas on select nights.

"Monday, we have two large pies (16 inches each) with one topping for \$18," Sal Jr. said. "Wednesday, we have two large plain pies and one dozen garlic knots for \$18, and Saturday, we have two large pepperoni pizzas and 12 garlic knots for \$24.99."

If you don't feel like ordering pizza, there are other traditional Italian dishes on the menu from which to choose. Eggplant, veal and chicken Parmesans, eggplant rollitini, baked ziti and homemade manicotti will put the taste of Italy in your mouth, and there are also lighter selections like salads, and hot and cold sandwiches.

Although the restaurant is small, the pizzeria can cater for large off-site events. So if you're planning an event and would like for Father & Son to prepare food for pick-up, they will help you create a menu that will please all your guests.

Sal Jr. said his family feels fortunate to have had great support from the Punta Gorda community since they opened the doors two years ago, and he feels positive about the restaurant's future success.

"We have a very good local clientele base, and the word of mouth has been great," he said. "I would bet that every week we get 10 to 20 new customers."

Father & Son Pizzeria is at 5240 Duncan Road in Punta Gorda, and is open Monday through Thursday, from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.; and from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. on Friday and Saturday. For more information, call 941-347-7117 or find them on Facebook.

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Salvatore Sciacca Sr. and Andrew Sciacca serving up authentically Italian pizza at Father and Son Pizzeria in Punta Gorda.



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Jane Paulishak and Diane DeMont enjoyed a lunch break at the Nokomis Breakfast House.



Server Barbara Schez and manager Sherri Sandstrom prepare tables for lunch in the Back Room of the Nokomis Breakfast House.

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In addition to serving breakfast, brunch and lunch, the Nokomis Breakfast House is available to rent for private parties.

# Nokomis Breakfast House offers cozy dining atmosphere

By CHRIS KOURAPIS  
SUN CORRESPONDENT

One may not expect to come upon such a charming cottage nestled quietly right off busy U.S. 41, but it does exist.

It's called The Nokomis Breakfast House, a quiet retreat offering outdoor deck seating under a massive oak tree, or indoor dining in one of two brightly decorated breakfast rooms. Talented former interior designer Wendy Goldberg created this oasis of sorts, a place where friends may meet to enjoy a leisurely morning or afternoon meal.

The idea of opening a breakfast house came to Goldberg in a flash as she was driving down Fruitville Road in Sarasota. She spied a small house that was falling apart and thought: "I could really fix up the place to look great."

"Then I went a step further and mentioned to friends that I'd like to open up a breakfast house in that spot. They thought I was crazy, but I couldn't stop thinking about it. With the help of a small loan from my aunt Linda, I went



Colorful furnishings and accessories adorn the main dining area of the Nokomis Breakfast House. Outdoor seating is also available.

forward with my plan, naming a special breakfast in honor of Uncle Harry, Linda's late husband," she said.

After the successful opening of the Breakfast House on Fruitville Road on Dec. 14, 2009, Goldberg was pressured into opening a second breakfast house by friends living in Nokomis,

and she acquired her second cottage on March 14, 2012. On both of these anniversaries, customers are provided with free birthday cake to celebrate their openings.

Local artists are invited to display original paintings all year long with all sales going directly to the artists.

Obviously there's more to the Breakfast House than sheer white curtains and brilliantly painted tables and chairs adorned with matching linens.

According to regular customer, Barbara Seed of Rotonda West, "The food is to die for."

She often orders homemade soups for lunch. Manager Sherri Sandstrom recommends the made-to-order omelets as there's sure to be some that will appeal.

Choices include turkey Florentine, lobster, or shrimp with Monterey Jack cheese, or the Tuscan-pesto goat cheese, sun-dried tomatoes, fresh spinach, and mushrooms. The combinations seem endless. Owner and sometime breakfast cook, Goldberg, recommends the corned beef hash.

"Ours is an old New England family recipe," she said. "It takes us four hours to prepare, and I can't think of any other place that prepares hash this way. All our meats, eggs, and produce are bought locally, and our Sea Breeze Coffee comes from Bradenton. We're proud of the fact that our restaurant has won best small business breakfast

awards two years in a row."

The staff recommends the homemade blueberry and cinnamon scones, six tasty treats served with real butter and jam. If diners order from the "Pancake Parlor" list, they have a choice of plain, banana, cranberry, white nut, or island style, the house specialty: three fluffy pancakes with coconut, grilled pineapple, and macadamia nuts. Of course, pancakes come with real butter and real maple syrup.

Some gluten-free choices are available upon request, and the stuffed French toast is a popular treat with sourdough stuffed with cream cheese and berry compote. View the entire Breakfast House menu online at [www.thebreakfasthouse.net/breakfast-menu.html](http://www.thebreakfasthouse.net/breakfast-menu.html).

The Breakfast House in Sarasota is located at 1817 Fruitville Road. The Nokomis Breakfast House is located at 2301 Tamiami Trail N., Nokomis. Summer hours are from 7:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday; and from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Sunday. For more information, call 941-313-9529.

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# The North Jetty — an old park that is new again

By **KIM COOL**

FEATURES EDITOR

On a recent Sunday drive along Casey Key Road, I discovered an old park that is new again — the North Jetty Park in Nokomis.

The site of an old (nearly 70 years) Tampa streetcar which served as the North Jetty Fish Camp for at least the past 35 years, the fish camp was the subject of a lengthy series of articles by Venice *Gondolier Sun* guest writer Deirdre Callanan. Only a discerning viewer can find hints of its origin.

Callanan's final article on the fish camp came at the end of the year when owner Marilyn Sawyer retired after 35 years. Callanan's series featured the intriguing folks that came and went over those years.

New landscaping and other amenities installed by the county have recently transformed the area known as the North Jetty Park. There is plenty of parking and a multitude of things to do. One can bring a small boat or kayak and launch it just east of the old street car, paddle to nearby Snake Island, sit at an umbrella table along the jetty watching boats come and go, have a picnic or simply hit the beach. The park is open daily, with parking legal from 6 a.m. to midnight. There is no overnight parking. During turtle season, nighttime beach going is discouraged at most beaches because lighting can disturb nesting and hatching sea turtles.

The morning of my visit, there was a rather large party going on in the park's largest covered pavilion and Snake Island was surrounded with at least 15 boats and kayaks plus their passengers.

A few people were enjoying coffee or some other libation near the old streetcar and a group of nearly 10 was headed to the beach, loaded down with several coolers, large beach umbrellas and more. I was not there long enough to see if they made a second trip.

In another area, some folks were starting up one of the grills as it was nearly lunch time. A mother was leading her youngest daughter toward one of the outdoor showers for some basic sand



SUN PHOTO BY KIM COOL

The picnic pavilion at North Jetty Park in Nokomis is filled with family parties before noon on a recent Sunday.

removal and a young boy was headed to another part of the beach with a kite in hand. There wasn't much wind that day but maybe he could run really fast and manage to launch the kite anyway.

Bird watching, boat watching, fishing, swimming and volleyball are other popular daily activities at the park.

While Venice beach is known far and wide for its fossilized shark teeth, don't count on finding too many on this side of the jetty. It truly is a different beach. The sand is lighter in color and shark teeth are few and far between. Like Venice, it is a turtle nesting beach, but because of the lighter sand, the incubation period is a bit longer as the sand is lighter in color and

therefore a bit cooler.

Take plenty of sunscreen, a big umbrella and all your other beach gear for a pleasant day away — yet close to home.

From Interstate 75 take Exit 195 for Laurel Road toward Nokomis. Continue to U.S. 41. Turn left. Continue south to Albee Road. Turn right. Go over the Casey Key Bridge, turn left on Casey Key Road. North Jetty Park will be on the right,

almost at the end of the road and the old trolley car will be at the end.

For more information, call 941-861-5000.



Long ago, the building today known affectionately as the North Jetty Fish Camp at North Jetty Park in Nokomis was a street car in Tampa. Look closely at the roof and at the west end of "building."

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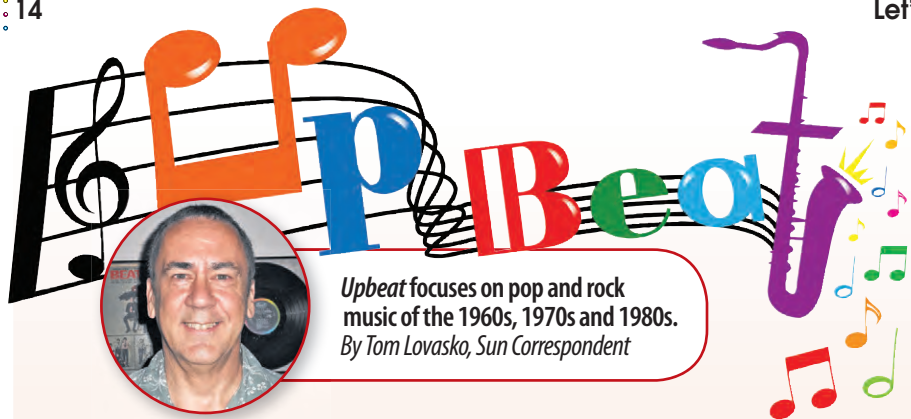
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By Tom Lovasko, Sun Correspondent

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While pop divas such as Madonna & Whitney Houston were enjoying 1980s success, other women produced rock with an edge. Singer Deborah Harry, along with her band Blondie, set the pace with "Heart of Glass" in 1979, then with a string of new wave rock hits including "Call Me," "The Tide is High" and "Rapture," all

peaking at #1. Chrissie Hynde, singing and playing guitar, led the Pretenders with a fresh sound that included the songs "Brass in Pocket (I'm Special)," "Back on the Chain Gang," "Middle of the Road" and "Don't Get Me Wrong."

Singer/songwriter Pat Benatar produced a harder rock sound including her best-known songs "Hit Me With Your Best Shot," "Love Is a Battlefield," and "We Belong." With more of a pop sound in the early '80s, the all-female band The Go-Go's recorded "We Got the Beat" and "Vacation." Their lead singer Belinda Carlisle then went solo and had a string of late '80s hits including "Mad About You," "Heaven Is a Place On Earth" and "I Get Weak."

## READERS ROCK!

Last week, the trivia question asked: Name the '80s pop group who had 11 top ten hits, including 4 from their album "Sports," and whose singer had a cameo appearance in the film Back to the Future.

**Answer: Huey Lewis and the News.** The first reader to get it right was **John Lasky of Venice.**

**THIS WEEK'S QUESTION:** Name the band whose 1968 "Cheap Thrills" album, in the San Francisco psychedelic era, introduced singer Janis Joplin, and the blues-rock classics "Piece of My Heart" and "Summertime" cover.

Email your answer to [upbeat@sun-herald.com](mailto:upbeat@sun-herald.com) no later than noon this Friday. The answer and winner (randomly selected) appears next week. Please include your name and city.

## Let's GO! LIVE MUSIC



SUN PHOTO BY CHRIS KOURAPIS

Three members of The Kapo Kings recently performed at Hurricane Charley's Raw Bar & Grill, 300 W. Retta Esplanade, Punta Gorda. From left to right are Hoover, Kenny Cox and Jeff Brunderman.

## The Kapo Kings perform heartfelt melodies with soulful style

By **CHRIS KOURAPIS**  
SUN CORRESPONDENT

As a young man, Tampa born drummer, Kenny Cox, drifted west to rural areas in California and back through Louisiana and South Carolina, playing with a number of popular country/rock bands. He eventually landed in Nashville where he was hired by Dream Works in 1998, performing with notables such as The Dixie Chicks, Steve Forbert, and Randy Travis, to name a few.

"I didn't look anything like I do now. For one thing, I had very long hair. I learned so much playing with the pros, but after a year, I headed back home to Florida and decided to teach myself how to play the guitar using one or two capos," he said.

The capo (pronounced "caypo") Cox explained, is a tool that guitarists use to instantly change the key of the guitar. It can be very helpful when trying to match a song's key to a vocalist's singing range or trying to make key changes between or during songs.

Learning how to play the guitar opened up an entirely new career for Cox. He was already a singer, quite comfortable with singing before large groups. After all, his father was the preacher of a large church in Tampa, and his mother sang in the choir.

"I guess you could say that music comes naturally to me. Once I hear a tune in my head, I can teach myself how to play it," said Cox, who organized the Kapo Kings about five years ago. "I'm most influenced by the music of Verlon Thompson, a professional songwriter and traveling troubadour. I love Americana, and with the help of Thompson and acoustic roots musician and photographer, Frank Serio, I've been able to

produce my first CD, 'The Far Side of Crazy' that I expect to release shortly."

Kenny Cox owns a large property in Punta Gorda where he often jams with fellow musicians who play in Punta Gorda, Fort Myers and Matlacha. His group, The Kapo Kings, was named quite appropriately, after the capo, the instrument so widely used by guitarists.

"We decided to change the spelling to go along with our title, the Kings," said Cox.

The Kapo Kings are seasoned musicians who are quite comfortable playing with "Death by Fire" — that means never rehearsing before going on stage.

"I like it because it puts pressure on us as musicians. We have more fun that way, and the audiences love it when we interact with them during a performance," said Cox.

Audiences also appreciate that the group's backing tracks are painstakingly recorded by Cox himself, allowing for a live band sound. The Kapo Kings, five members who play classic American, country, soul, and rock music, include: Kenny Cox, guitar and vocals; J.P. Hoover, guitar, harp, vocals; Dave dust, lead guitar, vocals, Jeff Brunderman, guitar, vocals; and Rick Russell, keyboard, mandolin, banjo, and vocals.

They're in demand to play at music festivals and perform from 7 p.m. to 11 p.m. every other Wednesday at The Edison Restaurant, 3583 McGregor Boulevard in Fort Myers and from 7 p.m. to 11 p.m. every third Friday at The Hideaway Sports Bar, 1418 Dean Street in Fort Myers.

Listen to them at [www.Facebook.com/KapoKings](http://www.Facebook.com/KapoKings) or go to [www.kapokings.com](http://www.kapokings.com). For bookings, email Kenny Cox at [Ridfo22@aol.com](mailto:Ridfo22@aol.com).

## 'Collected Stories' closes Banyan's season

By **KIM COOL**  
FEATURES EDITOR

Fame was fleeting for Ruth Steiner who published a book of short stories while in her 20s.

Remaining on the literary scene as a teacher, she is blind-sided when a student writes a novel based on the teacher's affair with another writer of the time, poet Delmore Schwartz who was a real person. Steiner and her student are the creations of Margulies.

The play was a Pulitzer Prize finalist and a Drama Desk nominee.

"Collected Stories" by Donald Margulies, opens Aug. 7 and continues through Aug. 24 in the Cook Theater at the FSU Center for the Performing Arts, 5555 North Tamiami Trail, Sarasota.

Tickets for all three shows are \$70 for the three-play package; \$52 for two plays and \$28.50 for single plays. There is a handling charge of \$5 for the three-show package and \$3 for one or two tickets. Send checks to Banyan Theater Company, PO box 49483, Sarasota, FL 34230 or call 941-358-5330 or visit [www.BanyanTheaterCompany.com](http://www.BanyanTheaterCompany.com).

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# A decade OF UNITY AFTER Hurricane Charley

## Celebrate with the Stone Crabs this weekend

By **DEBBIE FLESSNER**  
SUN CORRESPONDENT

For many people who lived through the devastation of Hurricane Charley, 10 years ago almost seems like yesterday. But those people may also recall that as horrific as the actual event was, it was what happened within the Punta Gorda community in the aftermath of the storm that was truly memorable.

That sense of pride is the feeling that the Punta Gorda Chamber of Commerce and the Charlotte Stone Crabs hope to evoke when they hold their Hurricane Charley 10th Commemoration event on Saturday, Aug. 9, at the Charlotte Park Stadium.

John Wright, chamber president, said that he had been initially looking at partnering with the city of Punta Gorda for some type of a 10th anniversary event.

"Then the Stone Crabs came to us and said

### IF YOU GO

**WHAT:** Hurricane Charley 10th Commemoration, with the Charlotte Stone Crabs and Punta Gorda.  
**WHEN:** Saturday, Aug. 9, 6 p.m.  
**WHERE:** Charlotte Sport Park, 2300 El Jobean Road, Port Charlotte  
**INFO:** In order for Project Illumination to get a portion of ticket proceeds, game tickets must be ordered on the Punta Gorda Chamber website at [www.PuntaGordaChamber.com](http://www.PuntaGordaChamber.com). Click the "online payment center" button on the upper right. For more information, call 941-639-3720.

they have a game on Aug. 9, so we could partner with them and the community for the event," he said. "We want to thank everyone for what they did during the storm and afterward, and for how they've helped Punta Gorda progress over the past 10 years."

The Stone Crabs will be playing the Jupiter Hammerheads the night of the event, and a ticket to the game is only \$9. If you want, you can pay \$19 and get not only the game ticket, but also an all-you-can-eat buffet of hot dogs, chips, popcorn, cookies and sodas. Punta Gorda vice-mayor Carolyn Freeland is scheduled to throw out the first pitch, and there will be fireworks after the game.

Wright said that his goal is to get everyone who lived through Hurricane Charley, came into town to help immediately afterward, and also those who moved into the area later to live and create new businesses, to come out to the game. All of those people were integral to rebuilding the Charlotte area and making it a viable community once again.

"After five years, they did the Spirit of Punta Gorda and erected the statue in Laishley Park," Wright said. "At this event, a percentage of the money from each ticket sold will go to

Project Illumination."

Project Illumination is a plan to light up the entire city of Punta Gorda for the holidays, which, Wright said, seemed to be an appropriate way of "shining a light" on Punta Gorda's progress over the last 10 years. The project will light strategically-placed buildings like the historic courthouse, the Charlotte Harbor Event Center, the Sunloft Center, the downtown parking garage and City Hall, and will take place at the same time as the Fishermen's Village lighting.

The event starts at 6 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 9, at the Charlotte Sport Park, 2300 El Jobean Road, Port Charlotte. In order for Project Illumination to get a portion of ticket proceeds, game tickets must be ordered on the Punta Gorda Chamber website at [www.PuntaGordaChamber.com](http://www.PuntaGordaChamber.com). Click the "online payment center" button on the upper right. For more information, call 941-639-3720.

## Celebrate with the whole family at American Legion

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At 4:17 pm on Aug. 13, 2004, Hurricane Charley slammed into the Port Charlotte American Legion Post 110 and at that precise time their clock was wrenched off the foyer wall. The clock, never to start again now hangs in the reception area of the American Legion Post 110 as a timeless reminder of that day.

On Saturday, Aug. 16, 2014, 10 years after the hurricane struck, Commander Michael "Gambler" Raymond, his officers and American Legion Post 110 members are hosting a celebration for residents of Charlotte and surrounding counties to join them in celebrating Charlotte County's ten year recovery from Hurricane Charley.

Activities start at 8 a.m. with registration for a morning Poker Run to surrounding American Legion Posts in adjoining counties. Breakfast will be available at this time at the La Familia Restaurant and Pizzeria located inside the American Legion. All local biker enthusiasts are welcome to register and participate the ride.

The days program begins at noon when American Legion Post 110's Color Guard will present the colors. La Familia Restaurant and Pizzeria will host outdoor BBQ with a selection of meats and pizzas with

cold drinks and ice-cream to beat the heat. Entertainment while dining will be music by DJ "The Connections."

There will be activities throughout the day for all the family. For the children, there is a water slide, a bounce house, face painting and interactive computer games provided through the Punta Gorda Police Department.

Adults can enjoy classic car and show, a display of military vehicles and memorabilia and a replica of the Vietnam Wall. There will be a dunk tank with several community members volunteering to be dunked. Vehicles from the EMS and Charlotte County Sheriff's Office will also be on display depending on availability.

At 3 p.m., Commander Michael "Gambler" Raymond will make presentations to both the Charlotte County and Desoto County EMS, Sheriff's Offices and Police Departments for their heroic actions during and after Hurricane Charley.

Following the presentations, "Britz Country," an upcoming country music duo from England, will give a concert followed by "Rhapsody" who will playing into the evening.

Throughout the day and into the evening there will be an array of fundraising activities with proceeds benefiting the building of a replica of the Vietnam Wall in Laishley Park,

Punta Gorda.

American Legion Post 110 is located at 3152 Harbor Blvd., Port Charlotte, next to the bowling

alley. Additional parking is available across the street behind the Promenades Mall.

For more information, call 941-629-7446.



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At 4:17 p.m. on Aug. 13, 2004, Hurricane Charley slammed into the Port Charlotte American Legion Post 110 and at that precise time their clock, pictured here, was wrenched off the foyer wall.

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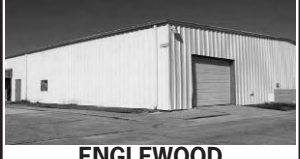


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8			9			6	5	
				7	6	2		
6	1		8		5			
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4	5	7	8	3	1	8	9	2
2	3	9	7	6	4	9	8	1
2	3	6	7	6	3	1	8	1
3	7	4	5	6	2	9	8	3
6	9	8	9	3	7	1	4	2
3	2	1	4	9	5	8	6	7
3	2	1	4	9	5	8	6	7
4	7	3	1	2	8	9	6	5
6	9	5	4	7	3	1	2	8
9	6	1	9	2	7	6	8	4
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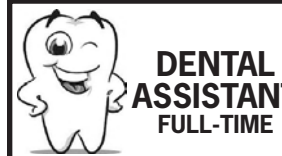
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By Lewis Maurer  
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**Today's Challenge**  
 Time **6** Minutes  
**8** Seconds  
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8				10
		1		11
				17
			1	15
	8			22
27	17	7	14	19

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Yesterday's Challenger Answers

2	2	2	1	7
1	2	2	1	6
1	2	1	2	6
3	1	1	1	6
7	7	6	5	6

# Cryptoquip

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Yesterday's Cryptoquip: IN OUR SMALL TOWN EACH RESIDENT HAS RESISTANCE TO ALL DISEASES. WE ARE AN IMMUNITY COMMUNITY.  
 Today's Cryptoquip Clue: C equals I

# MARMADUKE By Brad Anderson



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# WORD SLEUTH • Oh

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 E C Z X U S Q K L N L J G Y E  
 C Z X V T R P E C L N L J E H  
 E C A Y W V W T R U A P N N L  
 K Y I G **OH BROTHER** O E  
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Tuesday's unlisted clue: OSCAR

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions - forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.  
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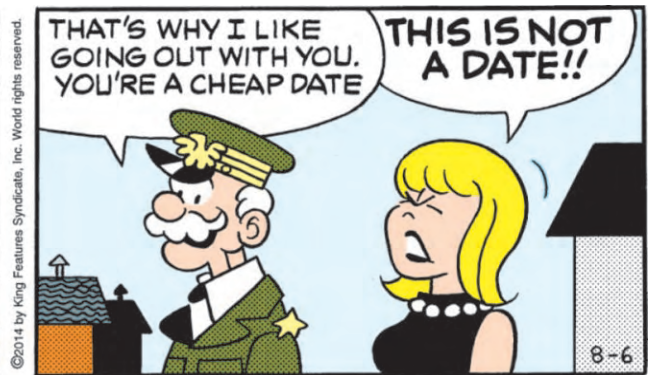
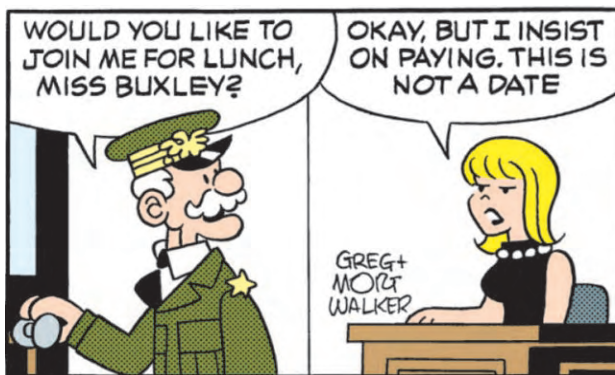
- Oh, baby
- Oh boy
- Oh, brother
- Oh dear
- Oh gosh
- Oh great
- Oh, honey
- Oh, mercy
- Oh my
- Oh no
- Oh really
- Oh, shucks
- Oh snap
- Oh well
- Oh yeah

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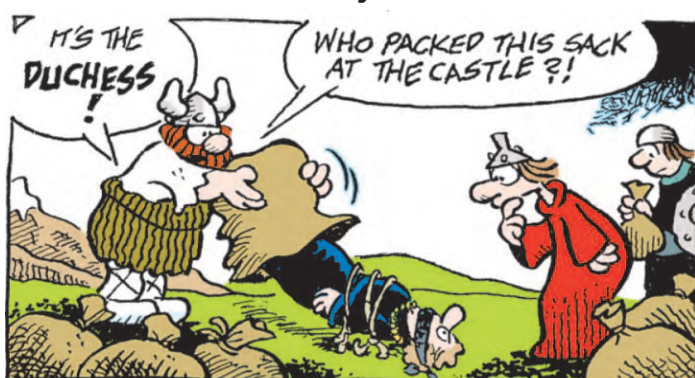
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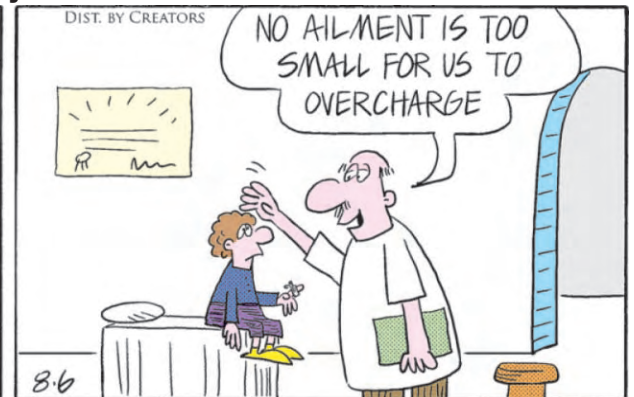
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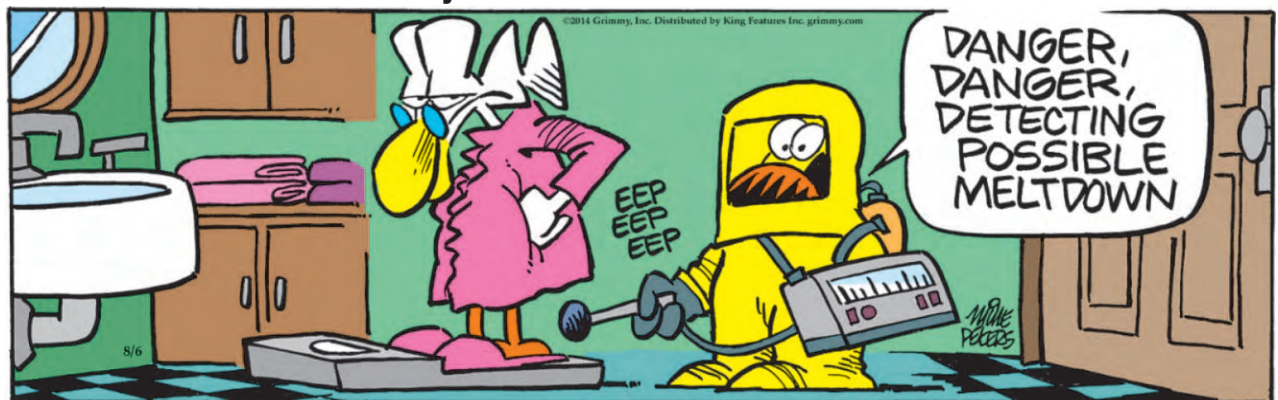
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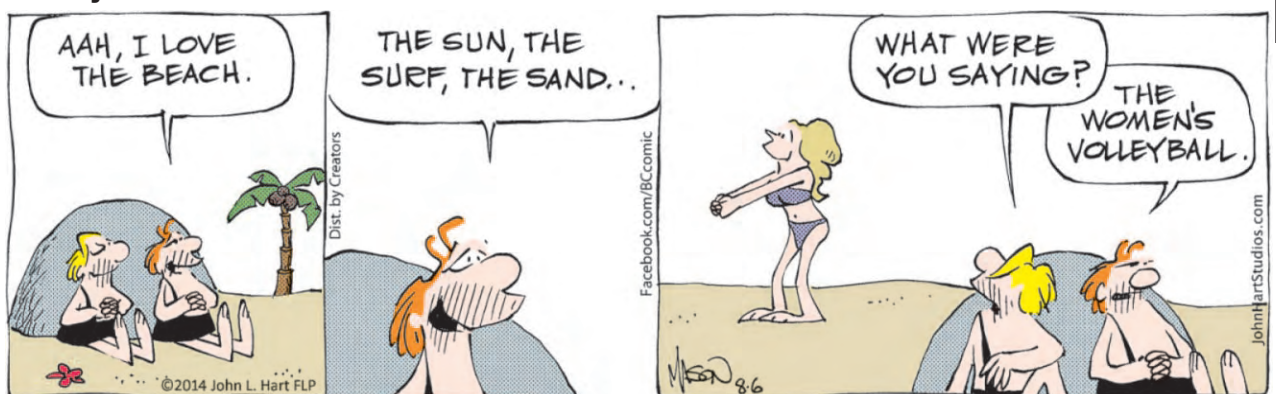
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**New treatment for chronic  
 lymphocytic leukemia**

**DEAR DR. ROACH:**  
 I'm 82 years old, and I just found out that I have chronic lymphocytic leukemia. I have had it for almost four years, but I didn't find out until I changed doctors. Should I have done something about it by now? They tell me there is nothing they can do. — E.A.



**Dr. Roach**

**ANSWER:** I am surprised to hear that there are still some physicians out there who don't tell their patients their diagnoses and their options for treatment. I have always felt that it is our obligation to share our knowledge so that the person can make the best decision for him — or herself, which may include no treatment.

The treatment for CLL recently and dramatically has improved, with the arrival of a powerful new treatment, ibrutinib. Nonetheless, not every person with CLL needs treatment or would even benefit from it. Age is a factor for choosing treatment, but not the only one. Because CLL is a condition with a wide range of severity, it is absolutely imperative that you speak with a hematologist who treats CLL to hear what your options are.

**DEAR DR. ROACH:**  
 I had my annual mammogram yesterday. While my left breast was being compressed (front view), my left jawbone up to my temple suddenly started to tighten. I mentioned it to the technician, who immediately stopped the compression. After a few seconds, the pain stopped, and she was able to continue. The same thing happened to the left breast when doing the side view. What would have caused this tightening of the jawbone, and should I be concerned? — M.L.

**ANSWER:** Seventy-two percent of women report pain during their mammogram, usually rated at less than 1/10 on a standard pain scale. However, the pain usually is described as being in the breast, rib or breastbone, or with movement. I've never heard the complaint of jaw and face pain during a mammogram. It could be "referred pain," where pain in one part of the body is misinterpreted by the brain as coming from an entirely different part. In any event, I don't think it should be a cause for worry. I specifically don't think it's heart pain, which sometimes

feels like it is coming from the face or jaw.

If any readers have had this sensation during a mammogram, please let me know.

**DEAR DR. ROACH:** I just read your column about Barrett's esophagus and taking proton pump inhibitors such as omeprazole.

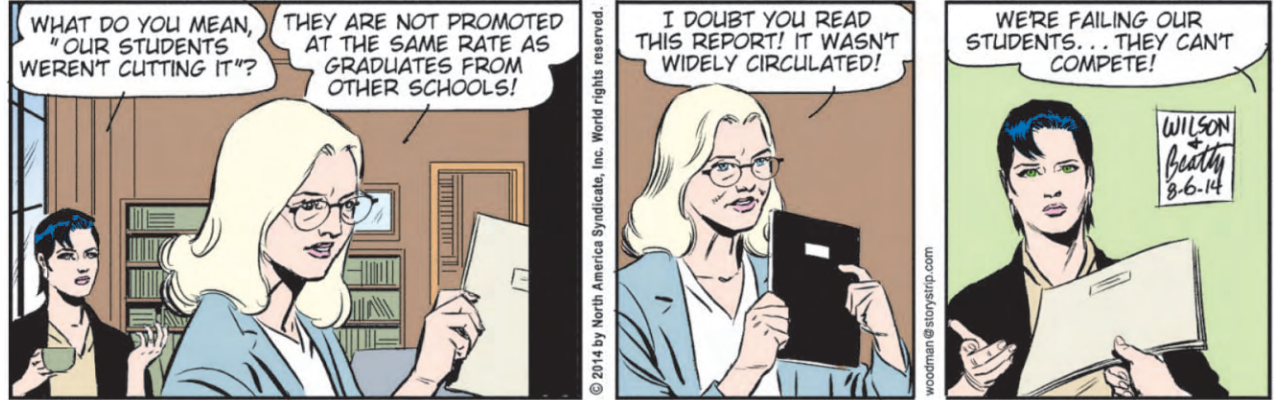
I have Barrett's, but I have never had symptoms of acid reflux. I didn't have symptoms of acid reflux before taking it, and didn't experience any when I was off of it this past winter. I had my esophagus stretched five weeks ago, and the doctor prescribed omeprazole again — to be taken forever.

Omeprazole causes me intestinal problems — gas, abdominal discomfort at times and going to the bathroom at least three times a day, sometimes four. It's my understanding that omeprazole is for acid reflux. I'd like to know if you think I should continue it since I have Barrett's even though I don't have symptoms of acid reflux. — G.G.

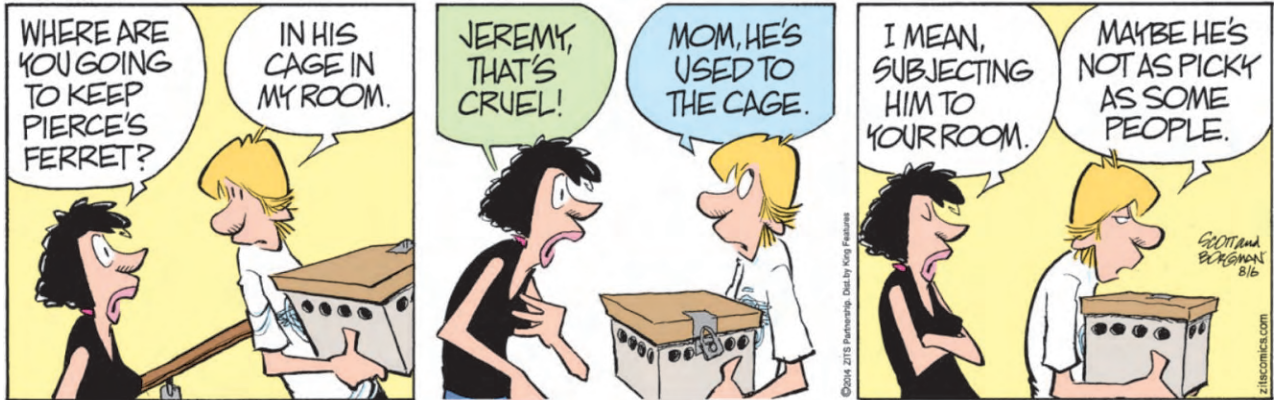
**ANSWER:** Barrett's esophagus, a change in the lining of the esophagus, which predisposes one to cancer, is caused by acid reflux. Not everybody with reflux has symptoms of heartburn. If I had Barrett's I would certainly take a proton pump inhibitor forever, even if I had no symptoms, since I think the evidence, though not definitive, is strong enough that the benefit of cancer reduction outweighs the risks. However, as the omeprazole is causing you side effects, you definitely should try a different one, such as pantoprazole or lansoprazole.

*Dr. Roach regrets that he is unable to answer individual letters, but will incorporate them in the column whenever possible. Readers may email questions to [ToYourGoodHealth@med.cornell.edu](mailto:ToYourGoodHealth@med.cornell.edu) or request an order form of available health newsletters at P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475. Health newsletters may be ordered from [www.rbmamall.com](http://www.rbmamall.com).*

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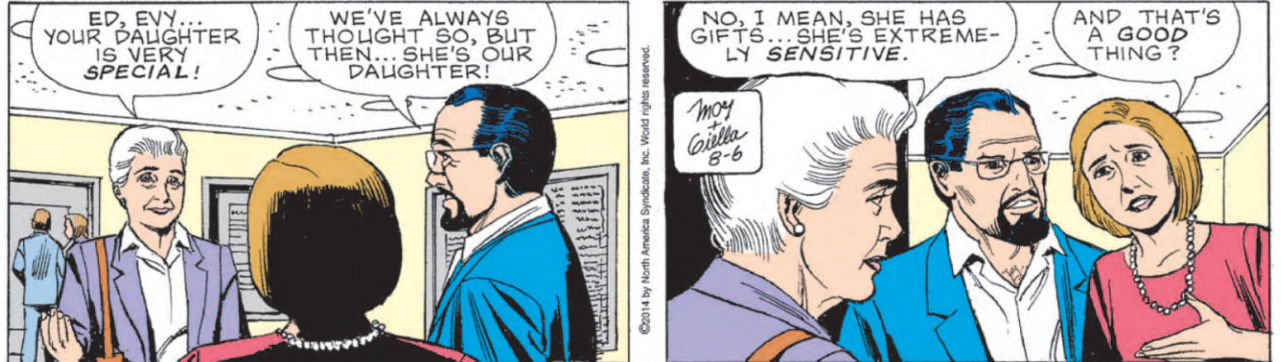
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by David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

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**FURGF**  
O O O O O

**FINKE**  
O O O O O

**ALITUR**  
O O O O O

**ABOPIH**  
O O O O O

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

**BORN LOSER** By Art and Chip Sansom

I DON'T SEEM TO HAVE THE CONCENTRATION TO GET THROUGH A BOOK ANYMORE...

WHEN I FINISH READING A PAGE, I DON'T RECALL WHAT I JUST READ...

IT'S LIKE EVERYTHING GOES IN ONE EYE AND OUT THE OTHER!

**BLONDIE** By Dean Young and John Marshall

BUMSTEAD! WHAT'S GOING ON?  
IT'S "WIGGLE YOUR TOES DAY," BOSS!! HAR! HAR!

I DON'T CARE WHAT DAY IT IS!! GET THOSE SHOES ON!!!  
AWW...I WAS JUST TRYIN' TO HAVE SOME FUN

JULIUS!! FOR PETE'S SAKE!!!  
HEE! HEE! HEE!

**MUTTS** By Patrick McDonnell

PHILADELPHIA?

NOPE. HARRIS-BURG.

SIGH

DOLPHINS ARE SMARTER.

**BABY BLUES** By Rick Kirkman and Jerry Scott

THREE KIDS, HUH?  
YEP.

THAT MUST KEEP YOU BUSY.  
MMM. MMM.

DO YOU ALSO WORK OUTSIDE THE HOME?  
YOU MEAN, LIKE NOW?  
I WAS NEVER IN AISLE FIVE!

**DOONSBURY** By Garry Trudeau

NOW, LET ME GET THIS STRAIGHT! MASSACHUSETTS ABOLISHED SLAVERY TEN YEARS AGO AND YOU NEVER EVEN TOLD ME!  
WELL, I...

BOSS, THAT'S THE...  
NOW, SAM- I DIDN'T MEAN TO DECEIVE YOU. IT WAS A SIMPLE MISTAKE...  
MY, DON'T GET ALL EXCITED!

A SIMPLE MISTAKE?! YOU TOLD ME I WAS LIVING IN A SLAVE STATE, VIRGINIA, NOT MASSACHUSETTS!  
WELL, I GET THEM MIXED UP SOMETIMES.

THERE ARE A LOT OF STATES, SAMMY.  
THAT'S RIGHT! AND THEY'RE PRACTICALLY STILL NAMING THEM!

**FOR BETTER OR FOR WORSE** By Lynn Johnston

O.K., ANIMALS, IF YOU'RE NOT DOWN FOR BREAKFAST IN 10 MINUTES, YOU'LL HAVE TO WAIT TILL LUNCH!

YOU'RE AWFULLY SERIOUS, WHAT'S GOING ON?  
MOM! LAWRENCE IS MOVING!

IT'S TRUE! I FOUND OUT 'CAUSE THE REAL ESTATE AGENT LEFT A MESSAGE ON OUR ANSWERING MACHINE.  
HE(SNIFF) WASN'T GONNA TELL ME!

SOMETIMES ONE'S ARMS JUST DON'T SEEM BIG ENOUGH.

A: O O O O O  
(Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumbles: BOSSY UNITY RODENT RUNNER  
Answer: Camping during the thunderstorm was —  
"IN-TENTS"

**Microwave your ice cream?**

Dear Heloise: Every day I read your column in the Texarkana Gazette. I have a hint about scooping ice cream: I put the half-gallon container in the microwave upside down for 20 seconds. It causes the ice cream to thaw just enough to scoop it. — Bobbie M. in Texas



**Hints from Heloise**

**Stuck cake**

Dear Heloise: When making a recipe that requires the use of a fluted cake pan, what is the secret to getting the cake out of the pan? I've tried following the recipe that says to grease and flour the pan. I've even tried spraying cooking oil, but the result seems the same. — Janet A., via email

Use a pastry brush to coat the pan with solid vegetable shortening. The key is to make sure you get the shortening into every crack and crevice. Then sprinkle with flour, being sure to get into the indents, and sort of shake out the loose flour.

You really need to let the cake cool completely, so place the pan somewhere that has good air circulation, especially the bottom. When it's cool, hit the bottom of the pan on your counter a few times to loosen the cake. Let it cool further. — Heloise

**Iced-tea cubes**

Dear Heloise: I enjoy iced tea almost all year-round. I don't like the watered-down taste that it gets when

regular ice cubes melt. Now, when I brew the first couple of batches of tea, I freeze the leftover tea into ice cubes. I use these ice cubes, especially during the hot and humid summer, to cool down my iced tea. — Maggie T. in Georgia

This is a good way to keep your drink from being diluted or watered down. You also can freeze lemon juice into ice cubes. For many of my favorite tea and coffee hints, send for my Heloise's Flavored Coffees and Teas pamphlet. To order one, please send, \$3 and a long, self-addressed, stamped (70 cents) envelope to: Heloise/ Coffees, P.O. Box 795001, San Antonio, TX 78279-5001. Freeze strawberries to use instead of ice cubes in summer drinks. — Heloise

**Save liquid**

Dear Heloise: Whenever I use a can of chili beans or other canned vegetables that come with liquid that you drain off, I use the liquid instead of straight water when I cook white rice. It adds a nice flavor. — Karen R. in Oregon



# Expectant mom with a past must consider baby's future

**DEAR ABBY:** Coming out of an abusive relationship in the past, I made some poor decisions. I moved away from home and into pornography and prostitution. I come from a small town, and it became a big deal when it hit the Internet. Everyone in my generation back home knew what I did.



Dear Abby

Years later, I'm back home. I have a wonderful husband and we're expecting our first child — a girl. My husband loves and accepts me in spite of my past, and my mother has become my best friend. I love my life here. Nowhere else feels like home.

But I'm worried that my child's life could be miserable here because of my past. She will go to school with the children of people who know my history. No parent would want their child around me and — by extension — her. She may also learn the unsavory things I did.

I'm torn between moving away for her sake or staying. My parents are aging and have no one else to care for them. They can't follow me, but say I should do what is best for the baby. I hate the idea of deserting my parents when they need me. But I also hate that my child will be ostracized. Can you help? — **LOST IN THE SOUTH**

**DEAR LOST:** For your child's sake, I think you should relocate. As I'm sure you have already realized, people can be cruel and they love to talk. When children overhear what is said over the back fence, they can be cruel, too, and I'd rather your daughter wasn't subjected to it. (This is not to imply that wherever you go, you might not encounter someone who recognizes you — but the chances are less.)

You don't have to move right away. Take your time and scout out locations. Arrangements can be made for care if your parents need it. But your daughter's welfare must come first.

**DEAR ABBY:** When you go to the store for milk and eggs there is a "sell-by" date on the package. How long after that date is it safe to use them? — **WONDERING IN NEW JERSEY**

**DEAR WONDERING:** According to Eatbydate.com, when it comes to milk, the length of time it lasts beyond the expiration date on the carton depends on what kind of milk it is. Lactose-free and non-fat milk last another seven to 10 days. Skim and reduced-fat milk, one week. Whole milk should last five to seven days. Of course, for this to happen, the milk must be stored properly, at a temperature at or below 40 degrees Fahrenheit.

The Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics states that eggs should be refrigerated at the time you buy them and as soon as possible upon your return home, and can be used up to three weeks after the sell-by date if they have been stored properly.

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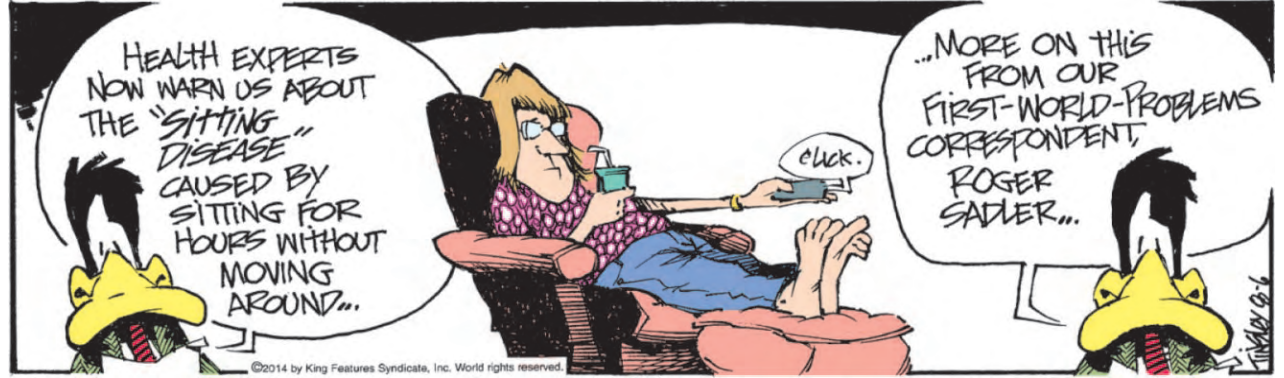
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"I said in mine heart, God shall judge the righteous and the wicked: for there is a time there for every purpose and every work." — **Ecl. 3:17.**

Judgment is as real as life and "All judgment is committed to the Son." — Out there in eternity we will answer for the way we have spent our years on earth. Only Jesus can turn it all into joy. Receive him today, and you will be ready for all your tomorrows.

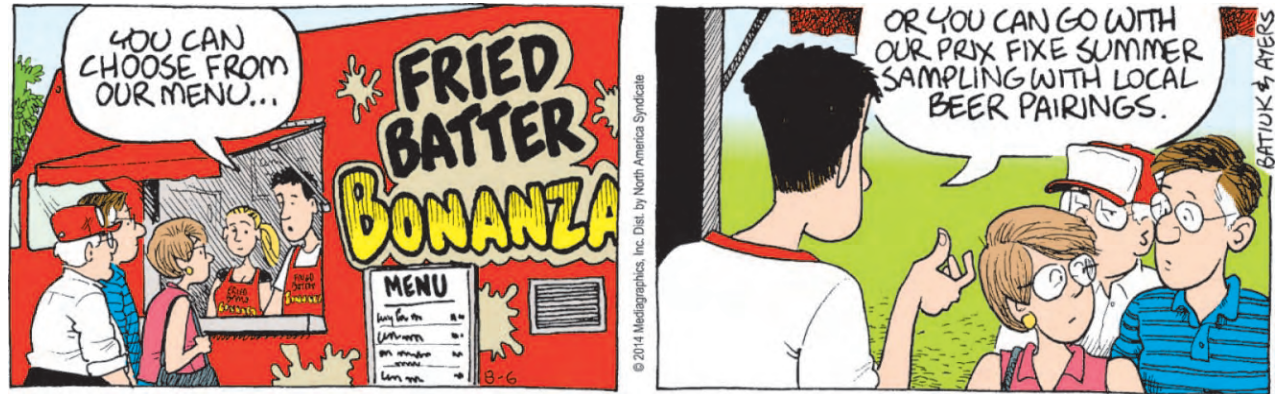
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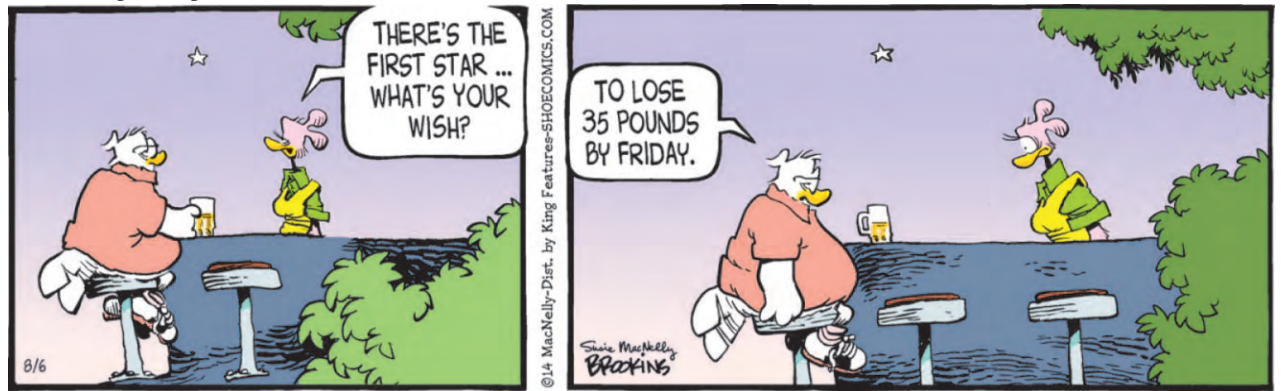
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Fill in the blank cells using numbers 1 to 9. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and 3x3 block. Use logic and process elimination to solve the puzzle. The difficulty level ranges from Bronze (easiest) to Silver to Gold (hardest).

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Rating: GOLD

Solution to 8/5/14

1	6	8	9	4	2	5	7	3
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8/6/14

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Venice Gondolier readers: Look for the puzzle solution in the Our Town section

## HOROSCOPE

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19). You'll set it right today — a past wrong, or a mess that needed clearing, or something that was overlooked — you'll make it right and move quickly on in clean karma.  
**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20). Life will seem to assess the strength level you possess and set up the perfect dumbbell for you to lift. You don't mind the challenge because it keeps you strong.  
**GEMINI** (May 21-June 21). Jealousy can be helpful if used properly. It teaches you what you want. When you get those panqs, take it as a good sign

— you too can have what you want. Now what do you have to do to make it happen?  
**CANCER** (June 22-July 22). If you look back and note your failings, you'll be filled with self-doubt. If you look back and note your accomplishments, you'll be filled with smug arrogance.  
**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22). Artistic happenings bring you together with interesting new friends and future business partners. But in the end, things have to make dollars and sense for you to invest further.  
**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). If you have the sneaking suspicion that others are just waiting for your signal

to move, you're right. There is big interest in you and/or your work. They are biding their time.  
**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Do you eat last and clean up first? Do you listen way more than you talk? Do you have the oldest phone in your family? Your self-sacrificing style may not always be fun.  
**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). They accept and enjoy you, but that doesn't make you alike. When the group is pessimistic, you'll be hopeful. You're not trying to be contrary; that's just how you roll.  
**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Sometimes the best adventures don't happen out in the big wide

world; sometimes they unfold inside of you. There are valuable treasures to behold.  
**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). How much joy can you feel? That's the challenge of the day — pack in the good emotions. It's mostly a matter of focus. Keep giving your attention.  
**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). It's said there are no boxes strong enough for the weight of some memories. Your friendship has a way of making heavy things lighter.  
**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20). You have faith, love and freedom. Act on what you believe, give it all

and exercise your rights and privileges to the full extent. This one has the potential for an A-plus day.  
**TODAY'S BIRTHDAY** (Aug. 6). You've new vitality going into this solar year, and you are ready to create one exhilarating experience after another. Lucrative opportunities come this month, and again in November, as you will be in a unique position to supply what many others need. December heals a rift. Lifestyle improvements happen in January. Capricorn and Cancer adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 16, 20, 31, 44 and 25.



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Today's Sports

- 11 a.m. ESPN2 2014 Little League Baseball Tournament Midwest Regional: Semifinal #1. (L)
1 p.m. ESPN2 2014 Little League Baseball Tournament Southeast Regional: Semifinal #1. (L)
3 p.m. ESPN2 2014 Little League Baseball Tournament Midwest Regional: Semifinal #2. (L)
GOLF USGA Golf Tournament U.S. Women's Amateur - Day 1. (L)
3:30 p.m. SUN MLB Baseball Tampa Bay Rays at Oakland Athletics. (L)
5 p.m. ESPN2 2014 Little League Baseball Tournament Southeast Regional: Semifinal #2. (L)
7 p.m. ESPN2 2014 Little League Baseball Tournament Southwest Regional: Final. (L)
FSN MLB Baseball Miami Marlins at Pittsburgh Pirates. (L)
8 p.m. ESPN MLB Baseball Boston Red Sox at St. Louis Cardinals. (L)
9:30 p.m. ESPN2 MLS Soccer 2014 All-Star Game Bayern Munich at MLS All-Stars. (L)

Today's Talk Shows

- 7:00 a.m. NBC Today Actress Katie Holmes from "The Giver"; musician Andy Grammer performs. (N)
9:00 a.m. CBS LIVE! with Kelly and Michael Interviews with Katie Holmes and Mark Paul Gosselaar. (N)
10:00 a.m. CBS Rachael Ray An on-the-spot workout with Bob Harper; Tony Bennett performs from "Viva Duets."
10:00 a.m. IND Jerry Springer A man cheats with girlfriend's aunt and cousin; woman admits mistake.
11:00 a.m. ABC The View Sunny Hostin and S.E. Cupp guest co-host; Tyra Banks; rapper and actor T.I. (N)
11:00 a.m. CW The Queen Latifah Show Actress Olivia Newton-John of "Grease" fame competes in a dance challenge.
12:00 p.m. CW Dr. Phil A woman says her teenage daughter is out of control due to her ex-husband.
1:00 p.m. ABC The Chew Daphne Oz cooks up a Guacamole Bar; Mario Batali presents Rock Shrimp Tortas.
2:00 p.m. CBS The Talk Jaime Pressly; Marie Osmond guest co-hosts; Alex Isaly shares a workout. (N)
2:00 p.m. CW The Wendy Williams Show Wendy gives her unique perspective on the latest celebrity headlines.
3:00 p.m. CW Steve Harvey Ex-boyfriends give dating advice; "Thank You Week" kicks off.
3:00 p.m. IND Jerry Springer A woman confronts her fiancé for cheating on her, saying she can't trust him. (N)
3:00 p.m. NBC The Dr. Oz Show The new 10-minute fix that can help cure exhaustion that Dr. Oz has kept hidden.
11:00 p.m. TBS Conan American actress Lizzy Caplan. (N)
11:30 p.m. FOX The Arsenio Hall Show Rick Ross; Brie and Nikki Bella, Ariane Andrew, Nattie Neidhart, Eva Marie.
11:35 p.m. ABC Jimmy Kimmel Live Actress Chloë Grace Moretz from "If I Stay"; Mighty Mighty Bosstones performs. (N)
11:35 p.m. NBC The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon Actress Megan Fox from "Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles." (N)

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East-West vulnerable. West deals.

**NORTH**  
♠ 9 6 3  
♥ K 10 6  
♦ K Q 7  
♣ 10 9 8 4

**WEST**  
♠ A 7  
♥ 9 3  
♦ A J 10 9 2  
♣ Q J 7 2

**EAST**  
♠ 2  
♥ Q J 8 7 5  
♦ 8 5 3  
♣ A K 6 5

**SOUTH**  
♠ K Q J 10 8 5 4  
♥ A 4 2  
♦ 6 4  
♣ 3

The bidding:  
**WEST** 1♦ Pass  
**NORTH** 2♣ Pass  
**EAST** 1♥ 4♣ Pass  
**SOUTH** 1♠ 4♣

Opening lead: Nine of ♥

Another competitive auction, won by North-South due to the vulnerability — it was too dangerous for East-West to bid on.

The heart lead was obviously from shortness. There was a loser in each suit, but dummy's diamonds offered the potential to develop an extra trick for a discard. South won the opening

lead in hand with the ace and led a low diamond, ducked by West and won with dummy's queen. Had South played a trump at this point, West would have grabbed his ace and led another heart. That would establish a heart trick for the defense, which East would cash when he obtained the lead with a club.

Seeing this danger, declarer made the excellent play of exiting dummy with a club at trick three. This forced East to use his entry before it could do him any good. East played his queen of hearts, setting up his jack, but he had no entry to cash it. South won dummy's king and finally led a trump. West won the ace and tried another club, but declarer ruffed, drew the last trump, and led another diamond. West won his ace, but there was no way for the defense to get a heart trick. The nine of trumps remained in dummy as an entry to the established diamond, and South had a parking place for his heart loser. Well played!

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| <b>CLUES</b>                     | <b>SOLUTIONS</b> |
| 1 north African capital (5)      | _____            |
| 2 mystery author Hammett (8)     | _____            |
| 3 Bugs Bunny or Jonny Quest (4)  | _____            |
| 4 narratives (8)                 | _____            |
| 5 wall art (7)                   | _____            |
| 6 wobbly toys from the 1970s (7) | _____            |
| 7 has a quick nap (7)            | _____            |

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Tuesday's Answers: 1. CONTRAILS 2. MOCKERY 3. MAWS 4. OBEYING 5. BEDROOMS 6. SCOW 7. CONGREGATES

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**TODAY'S CROSSWORD PUZZLE**

- ACROSS**
- 1 Beside oneself
  - 5 Sgt. Preston's group
  - 9 Wild ducks
  - 14 Dilly
  - 15 Journalist — Ducommun
  - 16 Kelp
  - 17 Lithe
  - 18 QB David —
  - 19 Whereabouts
  - 20 Long-tailed animal
  - 22 Called balls
  - 24 A Marx brother
  - 26 Terse affirmative
  - 27 Diplomats
  - 30 Attitudes
  - 35 Dijon dads
  - 36 Aloe —
  - 37 Isle of exile
  - 38 Melodrama shout
  - 39 Cleopatra's Needle
  - 42 Watch chain
  - 43 Gator kin
  - 45 Sporty trucks
  - 46 Acadia National Park locale
  - 48 Joke teller
  - 50 Big headline
  - 51 Ferrer or Tillis
  - 52 Night racket
  - 54 Couches
- DOWN**
- 1 As well as
  - 2 Quaff
  - 3 Jumble
  - 4 Private eye
  - 5 Happens again
  - 6 Vise relative
  - 7 Earth orbiter of yore
  - 8 Onetime Inca Empire
  - 9 Rapped softly
  - 10 Oval
  - 11 Microbiology gel
  - 12 Intertwine
  - 13 Parakeet treat
  - 21 Right to decide (hyph.)
  - 23 Chatty pets
  - 25 Brunch fare
  - 27 Memorable decade
  - 28 First P.M. of India

PREVIOUS PUZZLE SOLVED

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- 29 Indy 500 sound
- 31 Rainbow goddess
- 32 Dainty, perhaps
- 33 Steakhouse order (hyph.)
- 34 — -toothed tiger
- 36 Cat scanners?
- 40 Physique
- 41 Target rival
- 44 Mix together
- 47 Windflower
- 49 Lurched
- 50 Went yachting
- 53 "48 Hrs." lead
- 54 Cartoon chipmunk
- 55 Home-products brand
- 56 Patio view
- 57 Bill, briefly
- 59 Made do with
- 60 Economist — Greenspan
- 61 Pasternak heroine
- 64 Sequel's sequel

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- CLUES ACROSS**
- 1. Selects
  - 5. A cutting remark
  - 9. Teaspoonful (abbr.)
  - 12. Having two units or parts
  - 13. Quality perceptible to the sense of taste
  - 14. Expression of surprise
  - 15. Italian Island
  - 16. A coarse cloth with a bright print
  - 17. Propose a price
  - 18. Sedimentary material
  - 19. Tree toad genus
  - 20. Passed time agreeably
  - 22. Custodians
  - 24. 3rd largest city in Zambia
  - 25. 18th Hebrew letter (var.)
  - 26. Coasted on ice
  - 27. Libyan dinar
  - 28. Displayed exaggerated emotion
  - 31. Andalusian Gypsy dances
  - 33. Material
  - 34. Article
  - 35. Ballplayer Ruth
  - 36. 5th largest Greek island
  - 39. Hand drum of No. India
  - 40. A style of preparing food
  - 42. Former ruler of Afghanistan
  - 43. AKA Cologne
  - 44. Not generally occurring
  - 46. Auto
  - 47. Print errors
  - 49. Interspersed among
  - 50. Electrocardiogram
  - 51. Churns
  - 52. Ice hockey feint
  - 53. Drive obliquely, as of a nail
  - 54. Dried leaves of the hemp plant
  - 55. Ardour

- CLUES DOWN**
- 1. Lyric poems
  - 2. Hungarian sheep dog (var. sp.)
  - 3. A pad of writing paper
  - 4. Lists of candidates
  - 5. Base, basket and foot
  - 6. Samoan capital
  - 7. Mythological bird
  - 8. Urban row houses
  - 9. Sensationalist journalism
  - 10. Carried on the arm to intercept blows
  - 11. Estrildid finch genus
  - 13. PA 18840
  - 16. S.W. English town & cheese
  - 21. Runs disconnected
  - 23. Mourners
  - 28. Old world, new
  - 29. Atomic #25
  - 30. Sweet potato wind instrument
  - 31. Legend
  - 32. 3rd tone of the scale
  - 33. Russian jeweler Peter Carl
  - 35. Capital of Mali
  - 36. Extremist sects
  - 37. Violent denunciation
  - 38. Tooth covering
  - 39. Music term for silence
  - 40. Smoldering embers
  - 41. Writer Jong
  - 43. Actor Kristofferson
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  - 48. Fish eggs

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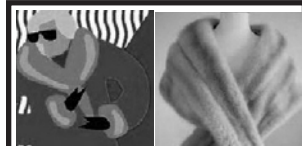
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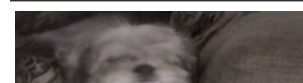
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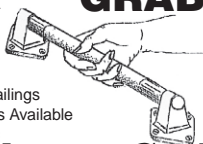
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