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ABOVE, BELOW: Singer Lizzie Sider relays her anti-bullying message through music, song and dance, with some help from her student band, at South Daytona Elementary School, in South Daytona, on February 3.

Lake County schools initiative addressing bullying district wide

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A new Lake County schools district-wide anti-bullying initiative has been instrumental in making it easier for students to report bullying, school officials said.

Implemented at the beginning of the 2013-14 school year, the initiative provides an anti-bullying curriculum for each school, which is managed under the Safe Schools department.

The initiative is "comprehensive about educating about di-



versity and differences in students," said Bill Mathias, school board member. "We have also made it easier for students to feel comfortable reporting it. Those students that feel threatened are coming forward."

The initiative is unique in that administrators and officials know how to spot bullying wherever it takes place in the school, said Pam Beeler, program specialist for Safe Schools. School officials have

reported 28 cases of bullying so far this school year. By comparison, eight fewer cases were reported in the 2012-13 school year.

A number of highly publicized anti-bullying measures have been attempted in the school district in the last two years:

Two students at Carver Middle School have been trying for two years to establish a Gay-Straight Alliance club to prevent bullying.

Stormy Rich, an 18-year-old Umatilla High School student,

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Bills seek to tackle backlog of untested rape kits

LUCAS L. JOHNSON II
Associated Press

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — With possibly hundreds of thousands of rape kits untested across the country, a number of states are proposing legislation to address backlogs that in at least one case dates back nearly three decades.

In Memphis, Tenn., alone, there are more than 12,000 untested rape kits going back to the 1980s, according to the New York-based Rape Kit Action Project, which has been tracking the backlogs nationwide. In the entire state of Texas, there

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ADRIAN SAINZ / AP

Meaghan Ybos discusses Memphis' backlog of untested rape kits on Thursday in Memphis, Tenn.

GROVELAND

Lake to sign mutual aid pact; envisions others

Staff Report

The Lake County Public Safety Department and the Groveland Fire Department will sign an automatic aid agreement this morning at Groveland's Fire Station 94 at 193 Cherry Valley Trail.

County officials hope additional pacts with

others cities will be signed.

The Groveland agreement states that the closest emergency unit, whether Lake County Fire or Groveland Fire, will respond to emergency incidents within the Inter-local Service Boundary Agreement,

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Taliban says it suspends talks to exchange US soldier for Gitmo prisoners

KATHY GANNON
Associated Press

ISLAMABAD — Afghanistan's Taliban said Sunday they had suspended "mediation" with the United States to exchange captive Sgt. Bowe Bergdahl for five senior Taliban prisoners held at Guantanamo Bay, halting — at least temporarily — what was considered the best chance yet of securing the 27-year-old soldier's freedom since his capture in 2009.

In a terse Pashto language

statement emailed to The Associated Press, Taliban spokesman Zabihullah Mujahid blamed the "current complex political situation in the country" for the suspension.

A U.S. official with knowledge of the talks said the cause of the suspension was not the result of any issue between the United States and Taliban. He declined to elaborate and spoke on condition of anonymity because he was not authorized to speak to journalists.

Bergdahl, of Hailey, Ida-

ho, was last seen in a video released in December, footage seen as "proof of life" demanded by the U.S. Bergdahl is believed to be held in the border regions between Afghanistan and Pakistan.

Mujahid said the indirect talks with the U.S. had been mediated by Qatar, where the Taliban established a political office last June. The video of Bergdahl was part of the negotiations which were to lead to the eventual transfer of the five Taliban leaders

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INTELCENTER / AP

This Dec. 8, 2010 image shows a frame grab from a video released by the Taliban containing footage of a man believed to be Bowe Bergdahl, left.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Monday, Feb. 24, 2014:

This year your networking and interpersonal skills pay off in a way that you had not anticipated. You see the power of social media in your life as well. Maintain control over your finances, as the unexpected is likely to happen when taking risks. Use care with emotional and financial matters. If you are single, you could meet someone whose company you thoroughly enjoy. Recognize what you need in a long-term relationship. If you are attached, as a couple, you will manifest a goal, but you might be taken aback by its implications. CAPRICORN can be sly at times and wise at other times.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Encourage others to verbalize their thoughts. Be as direct as possible when dealing with an associate with whom you often get involved. Steer clear of any financial agreements for now. You might be uncomfortable with what is happening.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Decide to head in a new direction. Detach first, so that you can gain a broader perspective of what is possible. Your long-term goals will take the lead right now; let them guide you in making important choices.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Deal with a loved one directly. You need to follow through on what is important to you. A partner or close friend will ask for more feedback, so share your thoughts. At the same time, make sure that you are on the course you want to be on.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) You might feel as though someone is crossing the line. You know your limits, but this person seems to have forgotten what they are. In your best caring manner, do your best to communicate your boundaries; hopefully you will be heard.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) When are you focused, little can disrupt you. Understand your limits with a partner who might not be as enthusiastic as you are. Jump into what you want to do. Deal with surprising

news first.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) You might want to have a discussion, but a loved one always seems to change the topic or not be available. Could you be getting a hint that this person might not want to talk? Let go of the issue for now. You'll make an excellent impression on a boss.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) You are full of enthusiasm, but you tend to hold a lot back. A key person might think you are too serious. Make it a point to verbalize the extent of your imagination and express more of your innate passion. Think positively.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) A friend could push you to react or go along with his or her pressure. Your response should be based on whether you are for or against the issue in question. The unexpected will occur with a child or a new friend — be prepared.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) You might feel as if you can't be stopped, no matter what you do. Share a vision with others, whether it involves your personal life or work. The unexpected could occur with close loved ones. Understand that you can't control anyone but yourself.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) You might want to face a problem after revisiting former solutions. You could get an urge to be rebellious and do the unexpected, yet your good sense will point to a different solution. Share your softer feelings with a child or loved one.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) You'll beam in much more of what you want. People also seem more open and friendly. Use caution around a purchase or money matter. Though you might think you know about the pros and cons of the situation, a fact could be hidden.

BULLYING

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intervened to stop bullying of a girl with mental disabilities on a bus. As a result, she was kicked off the bus.

In 2013, the Lake County School Board recognized Cypress Elementary students Kristopher Ganesh, Jamie Munoz and Marleen Ryan for starting Bully Blockers, an anti-bullying program that includes Buddy, a mailbox fashioned out of cardboard to look like a huge osprey, the school's mascot. Students can use the mailbox to deposit notes with concerns and questions related to bullying.

Now, 15-year-old country singer Lizzie Sider is speaking on the issue locally, where is she is addressing more than 100 schools all over the state. On Wednesday, she is planning a presentation at Tavares Elementary School, and on Thursday she will give presentations at Seminole Springs Elementary in Eustis and Windy Hill Middle School in Clermont.

According to an article in the *Daytona Beach News-Journal*, Sider said the issue is important to her because "I had experience with bullying when I was in elementary school."

The *News-Journal* reported that her father gave her advice when she was dreading going to school.

"Nobody has the pow-

er to ruin your day," he told her, according to the *News-Journal*.

School officials said the hardest issue to confront currently is cyber-bullying found on social media sites and in other areas on the Internet.

"It is very difficult for the school district to track it," said Chris Patton, spokesman for the school district. "Many times, it is occurring off campus and after school hours."

Stuart Klatt, president of the Lake County Education Association, agreed.

"That is a delicate balance, dealing with cyber-bullying especially," he said. "The schools have tried to take a stand and deal with it when they can."

Bullying is a complex problem, and it is hard to gauge how big of an issue it is in Lake County, Klatt said.

"A lot of it is going to be follow through from the administrators after the report has been made by either the student or teacher who has knowledge of it," he said of tackling each case of bullying.

Tod Howard, school board member, said because there are so many programs on bullying it is imperative "to identify which ones are working and which ones are not."

"Instead of doing all the programs, we need to identify which ones are working and make sure they are being resourced properly," he said.

BACKLOG

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are about 16,000 untested kits collecting dust in police evidence rooms.

Tennessee is among at least 17 states with proposals that range from requiring law enforcement agencies to inventory their rape kits to analyzing them in a certain amount of time. Three states — Colorado, Illinois and Texas — have passed laws that mandate a statewide accounting of untested rape kits.

Most of the other states' proposals favor the inventory measure that would require all law enforcement agencies that store rape kits to count the number of untested kits. Rape Project spokeswoman Natasha Alexenko estimates there are about 400,000 nationwide that fall into that category.

"Until we enact this kind of legislation where we're counting them, we really have no idea," said Alexenko, a rape victim whose rape kit was finally tested after nearly 10 years, and her attacker arrested after a match was found.

Rape victim Meaghan Ybos of Memphis has been crusading for legislation to address the backlogs for several years. The 27-year-old was 16 when she was sexually assaulted in her suburban home in 2003. She underwent a forensic rape exam, but never heard anything else about her kit.

In 2012, she was watching the local news and learned police had arrested a suspected serial rapist in the same neighborhood where she lived.

"I just knew it was the same person," recalled Ybos, who called police, told them about her assault and persuaded them to reopen her case. Her rape kit was eventually examined and the suspect's DNA and that in her kit matched. The suspect pleaded guilty in her case and is currently incarcerated.

But Ybos, who is also supporting a proposal to lift Tennessee's eight-year statute of limitation on rapes, said it shouldn't have taken her that long to get justice.

"They never tried to process it until I called ... and asked them," Ybos said of her rape kit.

Bergdahl has been gone far too long, however we can't discuss the efforts we're taking to obtain his return."

Col. Tim Marsano, spokesman for the Idaho National Guard, said he spoke Sunday with Bergdahl's family and said they declined to comment further.

"The family has no more words," Marsano said.

Efforts at a swap are also seen as a concession to Karzai. Washington would like to see him back away from his refusal to sign a security pact that is necessary

talks or say when they might resume. Afghanistan is in the middle of a presidential campaign ahead of an April 5 election. Two-term President Hamid Karzai cannot run again for office under the Afghan constitution.

The U.S. State Department has refused to acknowledge the negotiations, but the U.S. official previously told the AP that indirect talks were underway.

In response to the Taliban statement Sunday, U.S. Embassy spokesman in Afghanistan Robert Hilton said: "Sgt.

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held since 1962 in Guantanamo Bay.

"The leadership of the Islamic Emirate has decided to suspend the process for some time due to the current complex political situation in the country," the statement read. "The process will remain suspended without the exchange of the prisoners until our decision to resume."

Mujahed did not elaborate on what "political situation" in Afghanistan led to the suspension of



FLORIDA LOTTERY

FEB. 23

CASH 3	2-3-0
Afternoon.....	4-6-0
PLAY 4	5-2-5-5
Afternoon.....	3-0-0-7

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FANTASY 5	5-18-22-25-33
FLORIDA LOTTO	4-5-14-33-39-46
POWERBALL	2-3-13-14-54-4

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or ISBA area.

"This agreement is a win-win situation for our citizens," said Lake County Commissioner Jimmy Conner. "Together, we can better protect lives and property and reduce insurance costs for residents in unincorporated Lake County, and with participating cities."

The county is also implementing an Automatic Vehicle Location or AVL system, which is similar to a GPS monitoring system that will dispatch the closest unit to any emergency, whether county or city.

"We will share a centralized dispatch and the costs of responding to emergencies in the Groveland area," said Lake County Public Safety Department Chief John Jolliff. "This agreement will improve response times and offer citizens an improved level of protection."

The agreement with Groveland goes into effect on Saturday. Lake County is also working with other municipalities in the hopes of striking similar agreements throughout the county.

"This is truly a big deal for the citizens of Lake County," said Commissioner Welton Cadwell.

"I hope every city in Lake County that has a fire department will sign onto this agreement."

Famous Hand

West dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ —
♥ A K 2
♦ A K J 8 6 2
♣ 9 8 5 4

WEST
♠ Q 8 6 5
♥ Q 9 6
♦ Q 7 3
♣ A J 2

EAST
♠ J 10 7 4
♥ J 10 8 5 3
♦ 5
♣ Q 10 3

SOUTH
♠ A K 9 3 2
♥ 7 4
♦ 10 9 4
♣ K 7 6

The bidding:
West North East South
Pass 1 ♦ Pass 1 ♠
Pass 2 ♦ Pass 3 ♦
Pass 3 ♥ Pass 3 NT
Opening lead — six of hearts.

France won the 1992 World Team Olympiad, defeating the United States in a 96-deal final. Today's deal provided the French with a substantial pickup in the match.

When France's Alain Levy and Herve Mouiel held the North-South cards, the bidding went as shown, and West led a heart. No doubt many declarers would have taken the first heart and played the A-K of diamonds without giving the matter much thought. But when the diamond queen failed to fall and the club ace later proved to be offside,

they would have gone down, unable to reach the A-K of spades in the closed hand.

However, this was the final of the world championship, and Mouiel, as would be expected, spotted the virtually sure way to make nine tricks. After taking the first heart in dummy, he led the diamond deuce to his ten. This lost to West's queen, but the diamond nine was established as an entry to the closed hand, and there was no way the defenders could stop South from scoring five diamonds, two hearts and two spades for a total of nine tricks.

At the other table, the U.S. North-South pair of Michael Rosenberg and Seymon Deutsch reached five diamonds. Rosenberg, North, won the opening heart lead and played the A-K of trumps. He then cashed his other high heart and ruffed a heart in dummy. Next came the A-K of spades, declarer discarding two clubs, followed by a spade ruff. Rosenberg then exited with a diamond to West's queen.

Had West started with precisely a 3-3-3-4 pattern, he would have been forced to return a club at this point, allowing dummy's king to score the game-going trick. As it was, though, West was able to exit with his last spade. Rosenberg had no choice but to ruff and lead a club to the king, and when West produced the ace, the contract was down one, giving the French a 12-IMP gain on the deal.

Tomorrow: Merrily we roll along.

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Area Briefs

LADY LAKE

Waste Division to hold collection event

The Lake County Solid Waste Division will host a Household Hazardous Waste Collection event, from 9 a.m. to noon Thursday at the Lady Lake Convenience Center, 1200 Jackson St.

Representatives will be on hand to collect small quantities of unused or unwanted waste products such as lawn and garden, photo and swimming pool chemicals, paint and related products, cleaning solutions, motor oil and used gas, batteries, fluorescent lamps, light bulbs and small propane tanks.

Excessive amounts of hazardous materials will not be accepted due to limited space in the mobile unit. To schedule a drop-off day, call 352-343-3776.

For information, go to www.lake-countyfl.gov/hazardouswaste or call 352-343-3776.

WILDWOOD

Young artists sought for showcase

The Young Performing Artists organization is seeking young dancers, vocalists and instrumentalists for the upcoming showcase, March 22 at Wildwood Country Resort, where competitors can win valuable scholarship awards.

Interested young people can get an application to audition by calling 352-748-2008, at www.youngperformingartists.org or by emailing to youngartists@aol.com.

Applications must be turned in by Feb. 24.

EUSTIS

GeorgeFest 2014 is slated for this weekend

The 112th celebration of George Washington's birthday will be in full swing at the annual GeorgeFest event, at 5 p.m. Feb. 28, and from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. March 1 in downtown Eustis at Ferran Park, 1520 S. Bay St.

Events include music and fireworks, Dog Jog, parade and vendors. The festival is free, however, tickets for the on-site carnival require payment.

On Sunday a patriotic service will be held in Ferran Park.

For information, call the Chamber at 352-357-3434 or email Info@EustisChamber.org.

For a listing of the full schedule of events, go to www.eustischamber.org.

TAVARES

Extension to host Spring Vegetable Gardening class

The University of Florida's Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences (UF/IFAS) Extension in Lake County is hosting a Spring Vegetable Gardening class at 10 a.m. on March 1 at the Lake County Agricultural Center, 1951 Woodlea Rd.

The hour-long class is part of the Saturday in the Garden speaker series and will be presented by Brooke Moffis, residential horticulture agent.

Online registration is available at www.eventbrite.com. Class fee is \$5 for adults and free for those under the age of 16.

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FRUITLAND PARK

Last U.S. 441 widening phase set to begin

Staff Report

The last phase of construction on the U.S. Highway 441 widening project in Fruitland Park is about to get under way.

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) and contractor D.A.B. Constructors Inc. are days away from switching southbound US 441 traffic onto a newly paved southbound road, according to a press release. Both northbound

and southbound traffic have been sharing the northbound section of US 441.

The traffic switch, which is necessary to facilitate the approximate 12-week construction time of the median, is proposed to take place sometime between late February and early March.

Immediately following the traffic switch, a one-to two-day lane closure and lane shift will be implemented on the north-

bound side of US 441 at Spring Lake Road. The purpose is to allow the contractor to repair a loss of pressure in the 16-inch water main.

The contractor is scheduling this temporary pattern change on a weekday between the hours of 7 a.m. and 5 p.m. Message boards and other traffic alerts will be posted along the roadway, as well as added to the Lane Closures tab on www.cfl-roads.com.

Once the water main repair and median construction are completed, the entire project will be capped with the final friction course of asphalt. Provided there are no major weather events or other unpredictable delays, FDOT is estimating a June end time for the project.

For additional information, call Irina Lallemand, public involvement coordinator, at 352-427-4054 or email irina.lallemand@dot.state.fl.us.



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Lake County Commissioner Leslie Campione, second from right, was among the dignitaries who cut the ribbon on Phase 2 of the Lake Apopka Loop Trail.

APOPKA

Lake Apopka Loop trail section opens

Staff Report

Flanked by members of The Mount Dora Roadrunners Club, Lake County Commissioner Leslie Campione on Thursday helped open Phase 2 of the Lake Apopka Loop Trail.

"As a Lake County commissioner, and a proponent of protecting our area's natural resources for both ecotourism and quality of life for residents, I am proud to be here today at the official opening of the extension of the Lake Apopka Loop Trail," Campione said in a

press release.

The ribbon cutting opened 6.3 miles of trail in the St. Johns River Water Management District's (SJRWMD) scenic Lake Apopka North Shore Restoration Area. The area is a haven for hundreds of species of wildlife and is considered a premier birding destination, said Elisha Pappacoda, the county's public information officer.

Orange County Mayor Teresa Jacobs, Orange County Commissioner Frederick C. Brummer, Orange County Parks Manager Matt Suedmeyer,

Mount Dora Mayor Cathy Hoechst, Apopka Vice Mayor Bill Arrowsmith and Robert Christianson, director of SJRWMD's Division of Strategic Planning and Financial Services, all spoke at the event.

By summer, Lake County plans to finish a trailhead and dramatic overlook along the north shore of Lake Apopka. When completed, the trails will eventually link up to the South Lake Trail and the West Orange Trail.

"We are happy to do our part in expanding

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FRUITLAND PARK

65 incidents of vandalized vehicles reported in Lake County

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Car windows were targeted and shot out with BB or pellet guns in the area of Sailfish Lane in Fruitland Park over the weekend, and Lake County Sheriff's Office officials said there have been a total of 65 incidents of vandalized vehicles throughout the county.

Sgt. Jim Vachon, spokesman for LCSO, said a newspaper delivery person made the 911 call after he reported seeing several car windows smashed out in the area shortly before 4 a.m. Saturday.

As deputies investigated the crimes, Vachon

said vandalism also was documented in other jurisdictions in Lake County, including Leesburg, Eustis and Umatilla.

Carl Underwood told WESH 2 News that his neighbors were upset by the vandalism spree. At least 12 cars were vandalized up and down Sailfish Lane, and Underwood said he had two cars vandalized, each parked in a different location.

"I want them to personally take care of everybody's window financial responsibility, first and foremost, and then if there is any kind of probation or whatever, stick it to them. They need to pay," Underwood said to WESH about the perpe-



PHOTO COURTESY OF LAKE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

One of the vandalized vehicles discovered in Fruitland Park over the weekend.

trators of the crime.

Vachon said investigators have no suspects.

Investigators are asking anyone with information

regarding these incidents to contact the Lake County Sheriff's Office at 353-343-2101 or CRIMELINE at 1-800-423-TIPS.

Fruitland Park brainstorms five-year growth plan

STEVE FUSSELL

Special to the Daily Commercial

Fruitland Park commissioners held a rare Saturday morning workshop session to discuss the city's needs as its population doubles over the next three years.

Mayor Chris Bell set the tone for the 9 a.m. session: "We've made suggestions that (The Villages proposed development) will benefit our residents," Bell said. "I think we should be able to show them the benefits."

Bell urged commissioners to focus on the big picture. "What I'm looking at is something at 30,000 feet, not 500 feet," Bell said — referencing a scale used in aerial photography.

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TAVARES

Nominees sought for health heroes

Staff Report

The Florida Department of Health in Lake County is seeking nominations for the 2014 Hidden Heroes of Public Health awards.

The awards recognize an individual and an organization outside of the Health Department that worked to improve the health and well-being of Lake County residents during 2013 and are part of the department's efforts to bring attention to National Public Health Week, April 7-13.

"Public health encompasses more than just the county health

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Poor Floridians fall into Medical expansion gap

KELLI KENNEDY
Associated Press

MIAMI — Roughly 1 million uninsured Floridians who repeatedly heard affordable health insurance was just around the corner for them thanks to President Barack Obama's new law are finding a harsh reality — they're too poor to qualify.

The Florida House voted last year not to expand Medicaid under the Affordable Care Act because of fears that it could eventually cost the state hundreds of millions annually, meaning those earning below the poverty line, \$11,490 for an individual or \$23,550 for a family of four, aren't eligible for tax credits through the online marketplace.

Without those tax credits, most people living below the poverty line can't afford coverage. In Florida, generally only children, pregnant women, the disabled and single parents or caretakers of underage children are eligible for Medicaid, the government's free health plan for the poor.

"It's the hardest thing to explain to a consumer that they're falling in this gap," said Juanita Mainster, a Miami counselor who helps consumers sign up for health insurance.

She and other counselors estimate only 30 percent of applicants at their Miami office end up signing up for a health plan because they can't afford it.

Christina Coello, a 27-year-old full-time

law student with a pre-existing medical condition, hasn't had insurance for seven years.

"So when I heard about Obamacare, I thought this is a really good thing for people that have pre-existing conditions."

But when Coella tried to enroll, she learned she was about \$2,500 shy of qualifying for a tax credit, making the premiums impossible to afford on her part-time paralegal salary. Yet, her meager salary is still a bit too much to qualify for Medicaid.

"It's very frustrating because (the Florida House) doesn't want to cover people who are supposedly lazy. It's not only lazy people who need insurance. A lot of students fall into that category," said Coello, who has a 7-year-old son.

Health advocates are doing what they can so consumers don't leave appointments feeling hopeless. Florida CHAIN and navigator groups like the Epilepsy Foundation of Florida, which received a federal grant to sign people up for health coverage, are referring consumers to local health departments and community health centers that treat patients on a sliding scale and offer discounted drug programs.

"They'll keep saying, 'I'm poor. I should qualify for something.' And they're right they should but the fact is this is a state that chose not to expand Medicaid," said counselor Adrian Madriz.

OBITUARIES

Owen N. Hietpas

Owen N. Hietpas, Leesburg, FL, age 88, died at home Friday, February 21, 2014, with his family at his side. Owen was born May 9, 1925 in the Town of Vandenberg, Wisconsin; son of the late William P. and Margaret (Verhagen) Hietpas. Owen married Irene N. Weyenberg August 21, 1946 at St. John Catholic Church, Little Chute, WI. He moved to Florida in 1973 and shortly thereafter began developing Corley Island Mobile Home Park with his brother-in-law Jerry Hietpas. Owen and Irene were very active in the St. Paul Catholic Community and in 2001 they received the Father Phillip J. Stegeman Memorial Volunteer Award. They spent many years traveling in their motorhome throughout the United States and Canada. They were proud to say they visited all fifty states as well as many foreign countries. Owen enjoyed bowling, fishing, and never missed a Wednesday night poker game at the clubhouse. He will always be remembered for his big smile and his eagerness for helping family, friends, and neighbors. Owen is survived by his wife Irene, a son, Ronald (Donna) Hietpas, Waukesha, WI; a daughter, Charlotte (Gene) Sullivan, Winter Park, FL; grandchildren David (Jodie) Hietpas,



HIETPAS

Jeremy (Claudine) Hietpas, Katie (Anthony) Sullivan Bellia; great-grandchildren Mackenzie and Owen Hietpas, Benjamin and Irene Hietpas, and Abigail Bellia; a brother Mark (Gladys) Hietpas, sisters-in-law Sister Catherine Weyenberg and Shirley Weyenberg, brother-in-law Bill (Sandra) Mattern. He is further survived by many nieces and nephews. Owen was preceded in death by his son Randy, brothers and sisters-in-law Art (Irene), Paul (Ethel), Bill (Yvonne) and Dennis; sisters and brothers-in-law Patricia (Henry) Tatro, Bernice (Ted) Larson, Shirley Mattern, Betty (Casey) Vander Sanden, Margaret, sister-in-law Ruth Hietpas and members of Irene's family: father and mother in law George and Hattie Weyenberg, Betty (Peter) Schumacher, Mary (Woodrow) Diedrick, Lester (Elaine) Weyenberg, Julia (Gerald) Hietpas and Clarence Weyenberg. The family would like to thank everyone for their kindness and support. A special thank you to Cornerstone Hospice, Owen's caregivers, and nephews Russ and Steve Hietpas and niece Gina Stalvey for all they did to help. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held Thursday, February 27, 2014, 8:30AM, at St. Paul's Catholic Church in Leesburg, Florida with Father John Giel, Celebrant. Inurnment will be in St. John's Cemetery in Little Chute, Wisconsin. In lieu of flowers, memorial contribu-

tions may be made to Cornerstone Hospice Foundation, 2445 Lane Park Road, Tavares, FL 32778.

Yvonne E. Parham Rice

Mrs. Yvonne Elizabeth Parham Rice, 90, of Umatilla passed away Friday, February 21, 2014. She was born at Ozone, Tennessee on October 2, 1923. A graduate of Cumberland County High School and teacher preparation at Carson-Newman College, she taught at Cumberland Homesteads Elementary for two years before moving to Lake County, Florida. In 1944, Yvonne married Augustus M. Rice. In 1949 they moved to the Umatilla area where she has lived since. She earned her BAE degree at the University of Florida in 1965, and taught at Umatilla Elementary for 25 years. Since her retirement in 1990 she has been active in nature and conservation organizations, Lake County Conservation Council, Audubon, The PEAR Association, Trout Lake Nature Center, the Beautyberry Chapter of the Florida Native Plant Society, Florida Wildlife Federation, Defenders of the Environment and the Nature Conservancy. A member of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society International, she has served as president of Rho Chapter, Director of District IV, president of Mu State (Florida), as Mu State parliamentarian for 10



RICE

years and as a member of 3 international committees. While teaching she served as president of the Lake County Education Association, chairman of the Lake Association of Media Specialists and president of the Lake County Reading Association. Yvonne's hobbies included conchology, edible wild plants, birding and native plant identification. She gave many workshops and programs on all the above. She is survived by loving nieces and nephews in Tennessee. There will be no local services. Her ashes will be interred at the Ozone Cemetery, Ozone, Tennessee. Those wishing to do so may send memorial contributions to the Trout Lake Nature Center, Inc. Endowment Fund, P. O. Box 641, Eustis, FL 32727-0641. Online condolences may be made at www.beyersfuneralhome.com. Beyers Funeral Home, Umatilla.

DEATH NOTICES

Richard "Buck" Barnes

Richard "Buck" Barnes, of Paisley, died Tuesday, February 18, 2014. Beyers Funeral Home, Umatilla.

Barbara Ann Coffelt

Barbara Ann Coffelt, 71, of Talking Rock, Georgia, died Friday, February 21, 2014. Banks/Page-Theus Funerals and Cremations, Wildwood

Johnnie B. Finzelber

Johnnie B. Finzelber, 86, of Eustis, died Saturday, February 22, 2014. Beyers Funeral Home, Umatilla.

GROWTH

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City Manager Gary La Vinia said commissioners should brainstorm.

"Talk about what the commission would like to see — your vision over the next five years," La Vinia said.

That vision includes the proposed Villages of Fruitland Park, with more than 2,000 homes valued at more than \$1 billion, according to projections by The Villages, and about 4,000 new city residents — all of whom could arrive next year.

Commissioners will review the first round of The Villages' development plans at their meeting at 7 p.m. Thursday. The project is expected to generate \$1 million to \$1.4 million in what a former city official called "disposable revenues."

"The Villages is on the way, but The Villages is what it is," La Vinia told commissioners. "The real impact is development outside The Villages," he said.

Community Development Director Charlie Rector agreed.

"Forget The Villages," Rector said. "They'll take care of themselves. The thing we need to focus on is everything else," he said.

Last month Rector told commissioners that more than 500 new homes planned and approved in Fruitland Park could start development soon.

The homes, in projects that went dormant when real estate values plummeted five years ago, are back on the drawing boards.

"I spend hours on the phone every day now with property owners and developers who want to talk over their options," Rector said.

"It's like a horse race. They're all lining up at the gate and we're waiting to see who's the first off the line, and every new conversation starts with The Villages," Rector said.

After a two-hour discussion, commissioners agreed that improvements to the city's wastewater facilities, street paving and a new Public Works facility should get the city's first attention, then public amenities, including a community center complex, expansion of the recreation department and a new swimming pool north of Miller Blvd. (County Road 466A).

Bell added a historical museum, space for a Chamber of Commerce and a visitors center, all of which could be housed in buildings the city already owns.

Commissioners also agreed to look at new design standards for future projects that will focus on enhancements — embellishments to improve the appearance and function of upcoming projects without restricting developers and builders to specific architectural themes.

LOOP

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the trail, and look forward to the day when the entire Lake Apopka Loop Trail is complete," Campione said.

Following the ceremony, she toured the restoration area's uplands, where the wildlife shifts from alligators to deer and turkey, Pappacoda said. This area in Lake County is one of the only shaded parts surrounding Lake Apopka.

For more than 15 years, The Friends of Lake Apopka has worked with local governments and the SJRWMD on ecotourism in the area, including construction of the loop trail, which began two years ago. Phase 1 of the trail, a four-mile stretch beginning at Magnolia Park, opened in June.

"This trail will provide our residents and ecotourism visitors with another wonderful option to enjoy Central Florida's gorgeous scenery and outdoors," Jacobs said.

HEROES

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department," Paul Butler, interim public information officer, said in a press release.

This person, organization or business embodies the following criteria:

■ Public health efforts make a significant difference in the lives of the people served by monitoring health status to identify and solve community health problems.

■ Public health efforts build on individual and community strengths and assets by informing, educating and empowering people about health issues.

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and work in collaboration/cooperation to promote public health.

■ Public health efforts are unique, innovative or fill an identified gap in a specific community, i.e., child obesity, physical activity, etc.

Nominees' contributions must have occurred in 2013 in Lake County. To nominate an individual or organization, a completed nomination form must be submitted to the Health Department by 5 p.m. on March 21.

Nomination forms are available at the Florida Department of Health in Lake County Administration Office, 16140 U.S. Highway 441, in Eustis, or at www.lakechd.com.

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VOICE

Ukraine must not become a front in a new Cold War

The United States has the right — and a duty — to try to tamp down political violence in Ukraine, which continued early Thursday despite the announcement of a truce between the government and opposition leaders. It was appropriate for Vice President Joe Biden to telephone President Viktor Yanukovich earlier this week to counsel restraint, and for the State Department to announce that some Ukrainian leaders involved in repressing protesters won't be allowed to travel to the United States.

But even as it seeks to influence events in Ukraine, the Obama administration needs to avoid the impression that it is making that country a front in a new Cold War. President Obama is aware of the delicacy of the situation. On Wednesday, he said he didn't view Ukraine as part of "some Cold War chessboard in which we're in competition with Russia." Wisely, the administration is allowing European nations to take the lead in mediation efforts, which gained new importance with this week's shocking violence in Kiev, some of it perpetrated by opponents of the government. As many as 100 people may have been killed Thursday.

One can argue that it is Russian President Vladimir Putin who has insisted on re-enacting the Cold War by offering economic incentives to Yanukovich as a way to keep Ukraine, once a Soviet republic, in Russia's sphere of influence. Although the immediate cause of the convulsions in Ukraine is the repression of peaceful protest, the crisis is rooted in the government's failure to conclude an "association agreement" with the European Union that would have included the creation of a free-trade zone and cooperation in law enforcement. Many Ukrainians who voted for Yanukovich in 2010 feel that he has betrayed their trust and undermined Ukraine's sovereignty.

The political divide in Ukraine has deep historical roots and can't be wholly blamed on Putin's interference. Many Ukrainians, mostly in the eastern part of the country, feel an affinity for Russia, while others long for integration with Western Europe. Ultimately, Ukrainians will have to resolve their political identity crisis themselves, but other nations, including the U.S., can play a constructive role in defusing the current conflict and holding the Ukrainian government to international standards of civil conduct. That requires diplomacy that is deft as well as determined.

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OTHER VOICES

Women unravel dreams to men's dismay

I have this recurring dream where — have you stopped reading yet?

If you're a guy, I bet you have. If you're a woman, I bet you're saying, "Oh, please, just wait until you hear my recurring dream! I've had it since I was 6. It only happens if I'm stressed plus I've eaten cilantro. Fresh cilantro. The dried stuff doesn't do anything and it's never really as good; I don't care what they say. But tell me about yours first because my dream takes a long time."

If there are any men still left in the room, by this point they're tying ropes to lighting fixtures because they're planning to hang themselves. They're thinking that death might well be quicker and probably significantly more pleasant than waiting for these two to stop talking about what happened when they were asleep.

Haven't you found men to be less than fascinated by the detailed recollections of the unconscious and haphazard experiences that constitute dreams? For a few years, I had a male shrink. Even he didn't want to hear my dreams.

And when recurring dreams happen over, say, 10, 20 or even 30 years of marriage and are ritually recited over breakfast as if they were somehow "breaking news," I've known men to get downright irritated and take their coffee to another room.

(That's where he is now: the other room. I told my husband what I was writing about and he decided to go to an entirely different section of the house. It's not as if I was reading out loud or sounding out my words. I wasn't asking him how to spell "labyrinth" or "polyp" — although both appear regularly in the dream, in case you're interested.)

Men don't want to hear about dreams. When somebody says, "I was playing Barbies with Madeline Albright and we were ei-



Gina Barreca
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ther in a circus or a brothel when suddenly I started to cut my hair with manicure scissors and Albright says, 'Shouldn't a priest read you your rights before he hears your confession?' which is what she always says in the dream but this time I answered, 'These are not my walls, but my paintings are on them,' the natural question is, "What do you think it means?"

And a lot of men don't like to analyze things.

I've rarely encountered that problem with women: We crave the kind of weird details dreams deliver. We want to hear when old boyfriends and dead relatives show up; we want to decipher possible prognostications and omens.

Maybe this reflects my Sicilian and French-Canadian background — maybe WASPs hav-

en't done this kind of thing since Hawthorne was writing — but my aunts used to gather over morning coffee and talk over their nocturnal visions the way Wall Street financiers talk about the market forecasts.

In part, they also did it for the same reason: They would play any combination of numbers that appeared in somebody's dream. Aunt Rose would start, "Last night, I was back at 3072 Emmons Avenue ..." and before she could get in another word, Aunt Clara would yell, "I'm playing those numbers! They're mine!"

Since most of the family lived in walk-up tenements, I don't think dreams turned out to be as reliable an economic indicator as either, say, the Dow Jones or the price of copper futures (which the aunts measured by use of the penny jar), but that didn't undermine the seriousness or regularity of the daily review.

It also didn't prevent them from regarding any information they received from the "other side" as entirely reliable.

Somebody dreamt a toddler died in a car accident? That poor kid didn't leave the house for a month. The fact that he didn't die was then used as proof — proof you could not dispute — that the dream saved his life.

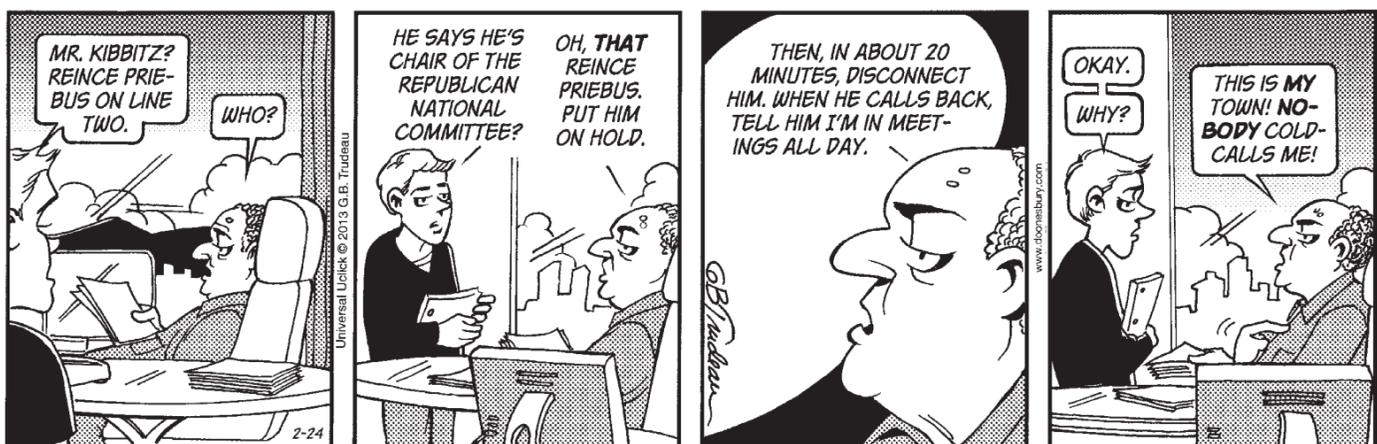
I used to think that was hilarious. Now, if I have a dream about falling down the stairs, I hold onto banisters.

Perhaps the dreams that come to us even while we're on this mortal coil should at least occasionally give us pause — if only just long enough to write down the numbers.

(Look who's come back into the room. Hi, honey! Column's done!)

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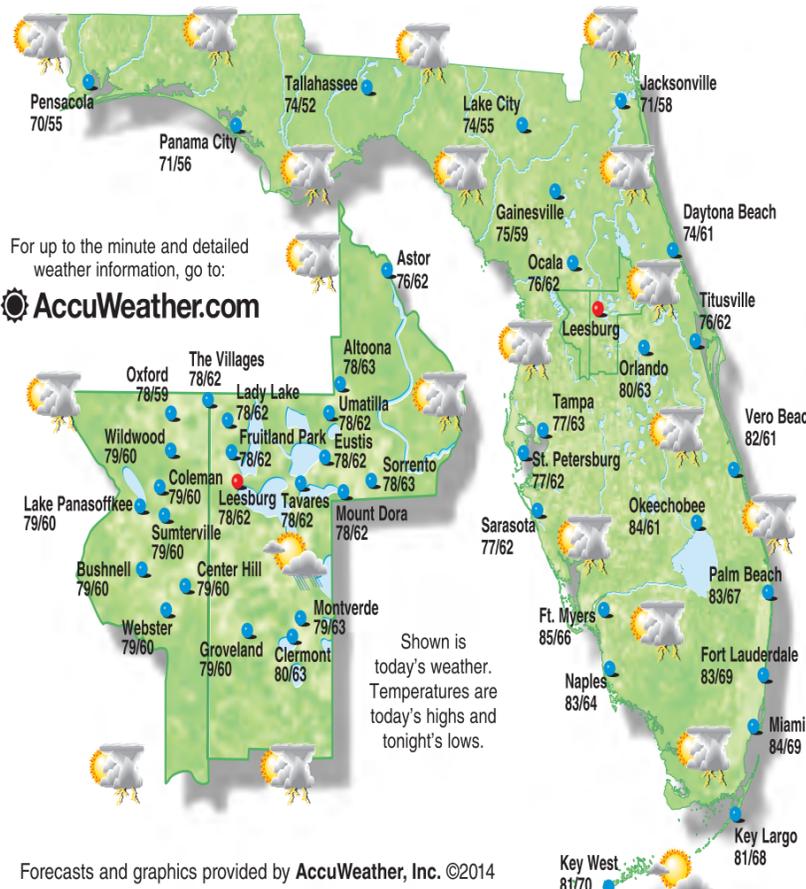


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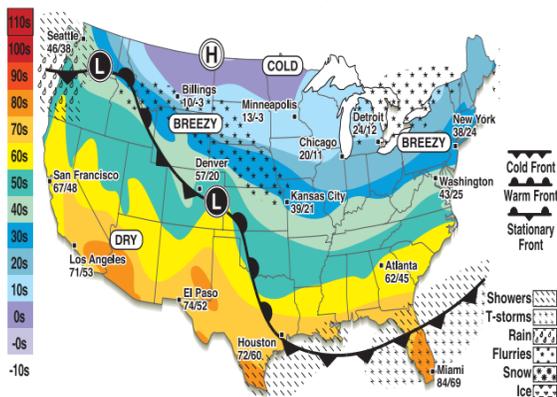
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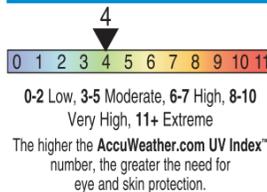
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Yesterday's National High/Low: (for the 48 contiguous states)
High 86° in Plant City, FL Low -10° in Westby, MT

UV INDEX TODAY



SOLUNAR TABLE

The solunar period schedule allows planning days so you will be fishing in good territory or hunting in good cover during those times. Major periods begin at the times shown and last for 1.5 to 2 hours. The minor periods are shorter.

Major	Minor	Major	Minor
Today 7:07 a.m.	12:52 a.m.	7:36 p.m.	1:22 p.m.
Tue. 8:01 a.m.	1:46 a.m.	8:30 p.m.	2:15 p.m.

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	Today	Tuesday	New	First	Full	Last
Sunrise	6:58 a.m.	6:57 a.m.				
Sunset	6:24 p.m.	6:25 p.m.	Mar 1	Mar 8	Mar 16	Mar 23
Moonrise	2:41 a.m.	3:37 a.m.				
Moonset	1:38 p.m.	2:41 p.m.				

TIDES

Day	High	Feet	Low	Feet	Day	High	Feet	Low	Feet
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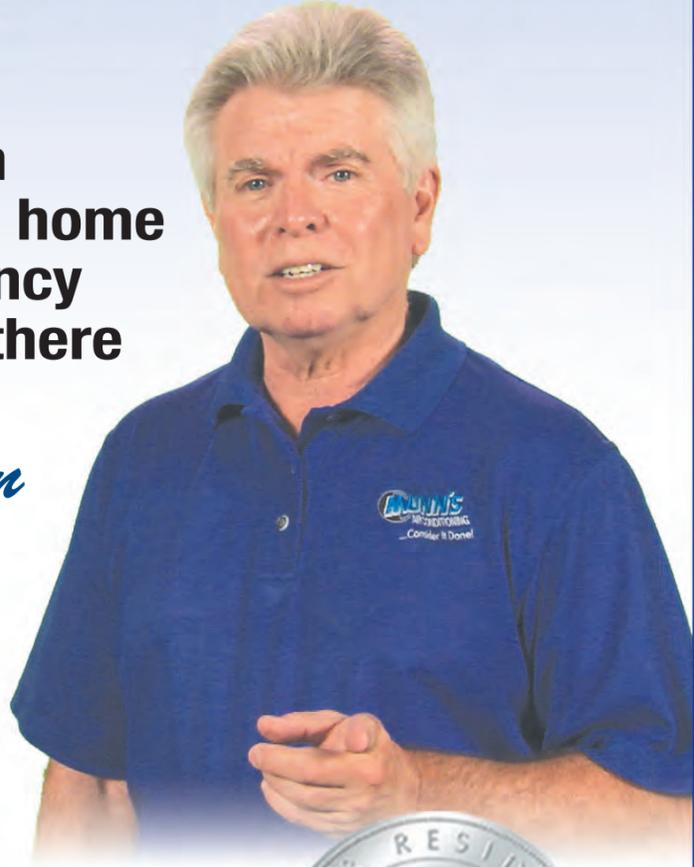
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SOCHI: Canada tops Sweden for hockey gold / **B3**

Collins is first openly gay player in NBA

Minnesota Timberwolves center Jason Collins, left, defends San Antonio Spurs center Kurt Thomas in a 2009 game in San Antonio. Collins has signed with the Brooklyn Nets to become the first gay active player in NBA history. AP FILE PHOTO



BRIAN MAHONEY
AP Basketball Writer

Jason Collins became the NBA's first active openly gay player Sunday, signing a 10-day contract with the Brooklyn Nets.

Collins will join the Nets for their game Sunday night in Los Angeles against the Lakers. The 35-year-old center revealed at the end

of last season he is gay, but he was a free agent and had remained unsigned.

With a need for another big man, the Nets turned to the 7-foot Collins, who helped them reach two NBA Finals in the early 2000s.

"The decision to sign Jason was a basketball decision," general manager Billy King said in a statement. "We needed to increase our

depth inside, and with his experience and size, we felt he was the right choice for a 10-day contract."

Collins has played 12 NBA seasons, including his first seven with the Nets, when they were in New Jersey and Jason Kidd was their point guard. Kidd is now the Nets' coach and Collins has been a teammate of several other

SEE NBA | **B2**



PETR DAVID JOSEK / AP

The Olympic Rings are silhouetted during closing ceremonies on Sunday in Sochi, Russia.

Farewell, Sochi! Russia closes costliest Olympic Winter Games

JOHN LEICESTER
AP Sports Writer

SOCHI, Russia — Flushed with pride after a spectacular showing at the costliest Olympics ever, Russia celebrated 17 days of sport-driven global unity on Sunday night with a farewell show that hands off the Winter Games to their next host, Pyeongchang in South Korea. Said the head of the International Olympic Committee: "Russia delivered all what it had promised."

Raucous spectators chanted "Ro-ssi-ya! Ro-ssi-ya!" — "Russia! Russia!" — before being surrounded by multicolored fireworks and carried through a visually stunning, sometimes surrealistic panorama of Russian history and culture. The crowd was in a party mood after the high-security games passed off safely without feared terror attacks.

"This is the new face of Russia — our Russia," said Dmitry Chernyshenko, head of the Sochi organizing committee. He called the games "a moment to cherish and pass on to the next generations."

In a charming touch, the Sochi organizers used the ceremony to make a joke at their



DMITRY LOVETSKY / AP

Sochi 2014 mascots, a polar bear, a hare and a leopard, approach a flame, representing the burning Olympic cauldron, during the closing ceremony.

own expense. Dancers in shimmering silver costumes formed themselves into four rings and a clump in the center of the stadium. That was a wink to a technical glitch in the Feb. 7 opening ceremony, when one of the five Olympic rings in a wintry opening scene failed to open. The rings were supposed to join together and erupt in fireworks.

This time, it worked: As Russian President Vladimir Putin watched from the stands, the dancers in the clump waited a few seconds and then formed a ring of their own, making five, drawing laughs from the crowd.

The closing ceremony, a farewell from Russia with love, pagantry and protocol, started at 20:14 local time — a nod to the year that Putin seized upon to remake Russia's image with the Olympics' power to wow and concentrate global attention and massive resources.

"Now we can see our country is very friendly," said Boris Kozikov of St. Petersburg, Russia. "This is very important for other countries around the world to see."

The nation's \$51 billion investment — topping even Beijing's estimated \$40 billion layout

SEE GAMES | **B2**

FSU defense keys 71-66 win over Pitt

Associated Press

PITTSBURGH, Pa. — Okaro White scored 22 points and Florida State played stifling defense to beat Pittsburgh 71-66 on Sunday.

Ian Miller added 19 points and Aaron Thomas 14 for the Seminoles (16-11, 7-8 Atlantic Coast Conference), who have won two of their past three.

Lamar Patterson led Pitt (20-7, 8-6) with 22 points. The Panthers have lost three in a row and five of their past seven. They are in danger of falling out of contention for the NCAA tournament after winning 15 of 16 games to start the season.

Florida State led 37-31 at halftime. After making 13 of 24

SEE FSU | **B2**



KEITH SRAKOCIC / AP

Florida State's Aaron Thomas, bottom, loses the ball as Pittsburgh's Michael Young, top, defends during the first half on Sunday in Pittsburgh.

Will Michael Sam fit in with NFL locker room?

DAVE CAMPBELL
AP Pro Football Writer

INDIANAPOLIS — The NFL locker room has long been an unforgiving place.

There's a reason the popular behind-the-scenes training camp reality show on HBO is called "Hard Knocks," right?

The aggression and confidence inherent with elite athletes playing a physically punishing sport can bring about a boys-will-be-boys atmosphere that, considering the case in Miami last season, has the potential to turn brutal.

But with Michael Sam on the verge of becoming the league's first openly gay player, maybe he'll fit in just fine. This is 2014, after all. Sexual orientation isn't as big of a deal for Sam's generation as it was for their fathers'.

Though the stigma of the offensive linemen bullying scandal was still swarming the Dolphins, there were signs at the NFL scouting



SAM

SEE SAM | **B2**

Daytona 500 delays now common in NASCAR's opener

DAN GELSTON
Associated Press

DAYTONA BEACH — Daytona could use a dome.

From rain, potholes, soap and fire, the Daytona 500 has had all sorts of delays the last five years.

The latest one came Sunday, with rain shutting down the season opener at Daytona International Speedway for 6 hours, 22 minutes.

The race resumed under the

The Daytona 500 was not completed by press time. See dailycommercial.com for full details.

lights with 162 laps left in the 200-lap race. It needed to hit 100 laps (halfway) to become official.

If not, and rain resumes, then the second Monday race in three years remains in play.

The Great American Race has become more known for its lapses than laps or leaders.

SEE NASCAR | **B2**



Track personnel attempt to dry the track during the NASCAR Daytona 500 auto race on Sunday at Daytona International Speedway in Daytona Beach.

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All Times EST				
EASTERN CONFERENCE				
Atlantic				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Toronto	31	25	.554	
Brooklyn	25	28	.472	4½
New York	21	35	.375	10
Boston	19	38	.333	12½
Philadelphia	15	41	.268	16
Southeast				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Miami	40	14	.741	—
Washington	28	28	.500	13
Charlotte	27	30	.474	14½
Atlanta	26	29	.473	14½
Orlando	17	41	.293	25
Central				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Indiana	42	13	.764	—
Chicago	29	26	.527	13
Detroit	23	33	.411	19½
Cleveland	22	35	.386	21
Milwaukee	10	45	.182	32

WESTERN CONFERENCE				
Southwest				
	W	L	Pct	GB
San Antonio	40	16	.714	—
Houston	37	18	.673	2½
Dallas	34	23	.596	6½
Memphis	31	24	.564	8½
New Orleans	23	32	.418	16½
Northwest				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Oklahoma City	43	14	.754	—
Portland	37	18	.673	5
Minnesota	27	28	.491	15
Denver	25	29	.463	16½
Utah	19	36	.345	23
Pacific				
	W	L	Pct	GB
L.A. Clippers	38	20	.655	—
Phoenix	33	21	.611	3
Golden State	34	22	.607	3
L.A. Lakers	19	36	.345	17½
Sacramento	19	36	.345	17½

Saturday's Games				
Washington 94, New Orleans 93				
Charlotte 92, Memphis 89				
Dallas 113, Detroit 102				
Atlanta 107, New York 98				
Indiana 110, Milwaukee 100				
Minnesota 121, Utah 104				
Sacramento 105, Boston 98				
Golden State 93, Brooklyn 86				

Sunday's Games				
L.A. Clippers 125, Oklahoma City 117				
Miami 93, Chicago 79				
Washington 96, Cleveland 83				
Toronto 105, Orlando 90				
Sacramento at Denver, late				
Brooklyn at L.A. Lakers, late				
Minnesota at Portland, late				
Houston at Phoenix, late				

Monday's Games				
Milwaukee at Philadelphia, 7 p.m.				
Golden State at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.				
Dallas at New York, 7:30 p.m.				
L.A. Clippers at New Orleans, 8 p.m.				
Boston at Utah, 9 p.m.				

Tuesday's Games				
L.A. Lakers at Indiana, 7 p.m.				
Orlando at Washington, 7 p.m.				
Toronto at Cleveland, 7 p.m.				
Chicago at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.				

Minnesota at Phoenix, 9 p.m.
Portland at Denver, 9 p.m.
Houston at Sacramento, 10 p.m.

WGC-Accenture Match Play Championship Results

At Dove Mountain, The Ritz-Carlton Golf Club Marana, Ariz.
Purse: \$9 million
Yardage: 7,791; Par: 72 (Seedings in parentheses)
Championship
Jason Day (8), Australia, def. Victor Dubuisson (27), France, 23 holes.
Consolation Match
Rickie Fowler (53), United States, def. Ernie Els (31), South Africa, 19 holes.
Semifinals
Jason Day (8), Australia, def. Rickie Fowler (53), United States, 3 and 2.
Victor Dubuisson (27), France, def. Ernie Els (31), South Africa, 1 up.

Honda LPGA Thailand Scores

Sunday
At Siam Country Club (Pattaya Old Course) Chonburi, Thailand
Purse: \$1.5 million
Yardage: 6,568; Par: 72
a-amateur
Final
Anna Nordqvist, \$225,000 66-72-67-68—273
Inbee Park, \$139,933 71-71-67-66—275
Catriona Matthew, \$101,512 76-71-65-65—277
Michelle Wie, \$78,527 67-73-69-69—278
Stacy Lewis, \$46,044 61-69-73-66—279
Gerina Pillier, \$46,044 70-73-70-66—279
Lexi Thompson, \$46,044 68-74-69-68—279
Yani Tseng, \$46,044 72-73-66-68—279
Julieta Granada, \$46,044 71-68-71-69—280
Suzann Pettersen, \$31,028 69-73-72-66—280
Azahara Munoz, \$27,771 71-68-74-68—281
So Yeon Ryu, \$27,771 69-72-71-69—281
Jenny Shin, \$25,128 72-70-70-70—282
Thidapa Suwanapura, \$22,268 73-70-70-70—283
Sandra Gal, \$22,268 69-70-73-71—283
Angela Stanford, \$22,268 68-73-71-71—283
Na Yeon Choi, \$19,460 75-73-72-64—284
Se Ri Pak, \$19,460 72-72-68-72—284
Caroline Hedwall, \$17,621 69-73-70-73—285
Karrie Webb, \$17,621 71-70-71-73—285
Lydia Ko, \$17,621 72-70-69-74—285
Eun-Hee Ji, \$15,215 70-78-70-68—286
Dewi Claire Schreefel, \$15,215 71-73-74-68—286
Morgan Pressel, \$15,215 70-73-74-69—286
Shanshan Feng, \$15,215 71-72-69-74—286
Christie Kerr, \$15,215 71-72-68-75—286
Mariajo Uribe, \$13,560 73-69-76-70—288
Brittany Langer, \$12,756 75-73-72-64—288
Brittany Lincicome, \$12,756 74-79-65-70—288
Paula Creamer, \$11,338 72-77-72-68—289
Meena Lee, \$11,338 79-71-69-70—289
Hee Young Park, \$11,338 71-76-70-72—289
Jennifer Johnson, \$11,338 68-73-71-77—289
Chella Choi, \$10,189 73-74-74-69—290
Mamiko Higa, \$9,807 77-71-71-72—291
Mina Harigae, \$8,504 70-76-76-70—292
Jessica Korda, \$8,504 75-73-72-64—284
Carly Booth, \$8,504 72-74-71-70—292
Candie Kung, \$8,504 73-77-70-72—292
Sun Young Yoo, \$8,504 74-72-74-72—292
Pornanong Phattul, \$8,504 71-73-73-75—292
Pernilla Lindberg, \$7,048 74-77-72-70—293
Natsuka Hori, \$7,048 75-72-75-71—293
Haeji Kang, \$7,048 75-72-73-73—293

Alison Walshe, \$5,937 73-77-76-68—294
Amy Yang, \$5,937 74-77-73-70—294
Katherine Kirk, \$5,937 75-75-73-71—294
Jodi Ewart Shadoff, \$5,937 74-75-73-72—294
Danielle Kang, \$5,937 74-72-72-76—294
Ai Miyazato, \$5,937 74-70-74-76—294
Irene Coe, \$5,133 77-76-71-71—295
Anya Jutanugarn, \$5,133 72-77-74-72—295
Nicole Castrale, \$4,826 74-76-77-69—296
Karin Icher, \$4,826 78-70-74-74—296
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Chie Arimura, \$4,367 78-75-73-71—297
Hee Kyung Seo, \$4,367 76-74-75-72—297
Carlota Ciganda, \$4,367 72-76-76-73—297
Moriya Jutanugarn, \$4,367 77-71-71-78—297
P.K. Kongkrakphan, \$3,812 78-77-75-69—299
Beatriz Recari, \$3,812 75-77-76-71—299
Lizette Salas, \$3,812 73-79-73-74—299
Giulia Sergas, \$3,812 71-81-73-74—299
Ayako Uehara, \$3,601 80-78-75-67—300
Mika Miyazato, \$3,448 77-78-74-73—302
Ilhee Lee, \$3,448 79-74-75-74—302
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Mo Martin, \$3,295 75-76-77-75—303
Shinobu Moromizato, \$3,179 75-77-78-74—304
Dani Holmquist, \$3,179 75-73-79-77—304

ATP World Tour Open 13 Results

Sunday
At Palais des Sports Marseille, France
Purse: \$850,900 (WT250)
Surface: Hard-Indoor
Singles
Championship
Ernests Gulbis (3), Latvia, def. Jo-Wilfried Tsonga (2), France, 7-6 (5), 6-4.
Doubles
Championship
Julien Benneteau and Edouard Roger-Vasselin (2), France, def. Paul Hanley, Australia, and Jonathan Marray, Britain, 4-6, 7-6 (6), 13-11.

Rio Open Results

Sunday
At Jockey Club Brasileiro Rio de Janeiro
Purse: Men, \$1.99 million (WT500)
Women, \$250,000 (Int'l.)
Surface: Clay-Outdoor
Singles
Women
Championship
Kurumi Nara, Japan, def. Klara Zakopalova (1), Czech Republic, 6-1, 4-6, 6-1.

Doubles

Championship
Juan Sebastian Cabal and Robert Farah, Colombia, def. David Marrero, Spain, and Marcelo Melo (2), Brazil, 6-4, 6-2.
MORE

ATP World Tour Delray Beach International Results

Sunday
At Delray Beach Stadium & Tennis Center Delray Beach
Purse: \$539,730 (WT250)
Surface: Hard-Outdoor
Singles
Championship
Marin Cilic (7), Croatia, def. Kevin Anderson (4), South Africa, 7-6 (6), 6-7 (7), 6-4.

Doubles Championship

Bob and Mike Bryan (1), United States, def. Frantisek Cermak, Czech Republic, and Mikhail Elgin, Russia, 6-2, 6-3.

2014 Winter Olympic Medals Table

Nation	At Sochi, Russia			Tot
	G	S	B	
United States	13	11	9	33
Canada	9	7	12	28
Norway	11	5	10	26
Canada	10	10	5	25
Netherlands	8	7	9	24
Germany	8	6	5	19
Austria	4	8	5	17
France	4	4	7	15
Sweden	2	7	6	15
Switzerland	6	3	2	11
China	3	4	2	9
South Korea	3	3	2	8
Czech Republic	2	4	2	8
Slovenia	2	2	4	8
Japan	1	4	3	8
Italy	0	2	6	8
Belarus	5	0	1	6
Poland	4	1	1	6
Finland	1	3	1	5
Britain	1	1	2	4
Latvia	0	2	2	4
Australia	0	2	1	3
Ukraine	1	0	1	2
Slovakia	1	0	0	1
Croatia	0	1	0	1
Kazakhstan	0	0	1	1

Sunday's U.S. Olympians Fared

BOBSLEIGH
Men's Four-Man
3. United States 1 (Steven Holcomb, Park City, Utah; Curt Tomasevich, Shelby, Neb.; Steve Langton, Melrose, Mass.; Chris Fogt, Alpine, Utah), 3:40.99.
—BRONZE
12. United States 2 (Nick Cunningham, Monterey, Calif.; Justin Olsen, San Antonio; Johnny Quinn, McKinney, Texas; Dallas Robinson, Georgetown, Ky.), 3:42.70.

CROSS-COUNTRY SKIING

Men's 50km Mass Start Free
26. Noah Hoffman, Aspen, Colo., 1:48:04.3.
51. Brian Gregg, Winthrop, Wash., 1:55:02.3.
57. Kris Freeman, Thornton, N.H., 1:59:46.7.
NR. Torin Koos, Leavenworth, Wash., DNS.

Sunday's Sports Transactions

BASEBALL
American League
NEW YORK YANKEES — Agreed to terms with OF Brett Gardner on a four-year contract.

National League
LOS ANGELES DODGERS — Designated SS Justin Sellers for assignment.

BASKETBALL
National Basketball Association
NEW JERSEY NETS — Signed C Jason Collins to a 10-day contract.

HOCKEY
National Hockey League
TAMPA BAY LIGHTNING — Claimed D Mike Kostka off waivers from Chicago.

American Hockey League
SAN ANTONIO RAMPAGE — Recalled D Josh McFadden from Cincinnati (ECHL). Loaned G Rob Madore to Cincinnati.

FSU

FROM PAGE B1

shots in the first half, the Seminoles started the second half 1 for 11 from the field and went 7 ½ minutes without a field goal. Despite those struggles, Florida State never lost the lead.

Pitt's own offensive problems during that stretch were the reason for that. The Panthers could only man-

age two field goals during the Seminoles' drought. They briefly tied the score at 42, but the Seminoles quickly regained control of the contest with back-to-back dunks by White, who was 7 for 13 from the field and also grabbed eight rebounds.

Pitt came back to tie the score again at 48, but the Seminoles made the big plays down the stretch. White scored nine points in the final 6:50, includ-

ing a 3-pointer as the shot clock expired for a 58-52 lead that took the air out of the Panthers' sails.

The Panthers shot 37 percent from the field. They have shot more than 40 percent just twice in the past seven games.

The Seminoles used an 11-1 run midway through the first half to begin to pull away from the Panthers. The score was tied at 18 when the Seminoles held the Panthers without a

field goal for almost 5 minutes.

Miller scored five of his 12 first-half points in that stretch. White gave Florida State its biggest lead of the half at 29-19 with 4:07 to go before intermission.

Pitt, which made 10 of its 26 shots from the field in the first half, used a 7-0 run to make it 34-31 late in the half, but Thomas made a 3-pointer from the corner at the buzzer for the six-point lead at the break.

SAM

FROM PAGE B1

combine this weekend that the locker room is a more modern, tolerant environment it might be given credited for.

"Those problems in Miami, those surprise me because I think that we never had those issues in Denver when it came down to the things that went on in that locker room and the things that were said," said Hall of Famer John Elway, Denver's executive vice president of football operations and general manager. "I think every locker room that I've ever been in in the NFL and the guys I've been around have always respected the right of other players. There is a line you don't cross. I still believe that's the way the majority of the NFL is."

Sam's former Missouri teammate, wide

receiver L'Damian Washington, wondered what all the fuss was about with questions about whether Sam would be welcomed by his peers in the league when the Tigers had no problem doing so.

"Most of the guys already knew him and it wasn't a big deal, but we had freshmen on the team who were 17 years old out of high school — 17 years out of high school you're pretty immature," Washington said. "They just could be like, 'Aw, we've got a gay guy on our team.' But those guys embraced it, because he was a great teammate. He was a great guy. He never brought any of that to the locker room. I feel like if a 17-year-old freshman can accept the fact that a teammate has a different preference in sex, then why can't 33-year-old vets accept that fact?"

NASCAR

FROM PAGE B1

Matt Kenseth won a rain-shortened Daytona 500 in 2009. The 2010 Daytona 500 was interrupted for more than two hours because of a pothole in the track.

Rain forced the 2012 race to be run on a Monday night for the first time. Juan Pablo Montoya slammed into a jet dryer that night, igniting a raging inferno that caused another two-hour delay. Safety workers used Tide laundry detergent to clean up the track.

Fans flocked for shelter Sunday at the track or left for their cars.

The National Weather Service issued a tornado warning in the area and advised people to take

shelter. Air Titan, the system designed to reduce track drying time, provided the only action on the track.

But there was plenty of fun going on behind the scenes.

Kyle Busch tweeted, "Rain rain go away. Let me lead my way to victory."

His wife, Samantha, posted a photo of her sticking out her tongue while Kyle frowned with the caption, "Rain delay sad/mad faces w @kyle busch."

Andrea Perry, who works the public relations account for Ricky Stenhouse Jr.'s team, snapped a pic of the Nationwide Series crew lined up inside the hauler on their knee with hands on their heads prepping for a "Tornado drill!!!"

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WINTER OLYMPICS

Canada beats Sweden 3-0 for Olympic hockey gold

GREG BEACHAM
Associated Press

SOCHI, Russia — Sidney Crosby skated in alone on Henrik Lundqvist, faking Sweden's goalie to the ice with a textbook-quality deke and sliding a perfect backhand into the net.

Canada did everything by the book at the Sochi Olympics, winning all six games with a ferocious commitment to defense and discipline. When Canada's captain finally got his first goal of the games Sunday, it had none of the dramatics of Crosby's last Olympic goal four years ago in Vancouver.

But it was every bit as golden. Jonathan Toews scored in the first period, Carey Price made 24 saves in his second consecutive shutout, and Canada defended its Olympic men's hockey title with a 3-0 victory over Sweden.

"We're just an amazing team to watch, the way we work together," Toews said. "We were just all over them. It's fun to be a part of."

Chris Kunitz also scored as the Canadians confirmed their worldwide dominance in their national game by winning the gold for the third time in the last four Olympics. No team in the NHL era has controlled a tournament



CHRIS YOUNG / THE CANADIAN PRESS

Hockey fans celebrate in Toronto's Maple Leaf Square after the final buzzer as Canada beat Sweden 3-0 on Sunday to win the Gold Medal in the men's Olympic Hockey final.

like this group, which allowed just three goals in six games and never trailed at any point in the 12-day tournament on the shores of the Black Sea.

"Not quite as dramatic as the other one," Crosby said. "Just real solid all the way through. We knew the way we wanted to play, and the last couple of games, we were solid. With each game, we seemed to build more and more confidence."

By the final event of the Sochi Olympics, that confidence was unshakable. Canada became the only repeat Olympic champ in the NHL era and the first team to go unbeaten through the Olympic tournament since the Soviet Union in Sarajevo in 1984.

Canada won its record ninth Olympic hockey gold medal — its first outside North America since 1952 — and joined the women's

team to complete Canada's second straight Olympic hockey sweep.

The Canadians didn't allow a goal in their final 164-plus minutes at the Bolshoy Ice Dome after the first period of the quarterfinals against Latvia, shutting out the U.S. and Sweden.

Steve Yzerman, the architect of this roster for Hockey Canada, called it the greatest display of defensive hock-

ey by any Canadian national team. Yzerman also said he's stepping down as Canada's Olympic executive director.

The Swedes also were unbeaten until the final, but they couldn't compete with Canada's formidable defense and Price, a first-time gold medalist who played splendidly in Sochi, allowing three goals in five games.

"That was the hardest-working team I've ever seen," Price said. "I really can't say enough about that group of defensemen and that overall team in front of me. Our work ethic was what won us this championship."

The Canadians exchanged hugs and leaped over the boards at the final horn, gathering at Price's net for a celebration that had seemed inevitable since Crosby scored in the second period.

Toews, who scored on a first-period tip-in, and Crosby are among Canada's 11 returning players from the 2010 championship team. Kunitz, widely criticized for failing to finish chances earlier in Sochi, capped the scoring in the third.

If these games were the last with NHL players joining their national teams, Canada's pros put on a landmark show.

NFL



ASSOCIATED PRESS

Louisville quarterback Teddy Bridgewater, right, talks with UCF quarterback Blake Bortles at the NFL football scouting combine on Sunday in Indianapolis.

Bridgewater, Boyd go opposite directions in draft

MICHAEL MAROT
AP Sports Writer

INDIANAPOLIS — Teddy Bridgewater will spend the next 2½ months trying to convince NFL scouts he's the No. 1 quarterback — No. 1 player — in this year's draft.

Tajh Boyd is just itching to show scouts he's still the quarterback they once thought he could be.

Yes, the two college stars were on opposite ends of the spectrum at the combine. While Boyd's draft stock has plummeted over the past four months, Bridgewater's confidence is booming as he appears to be locking himself into the top 10.

"I feel that I'm the best quarterback in this draft," he said at his weekend's NFL scouting combine. "I'm not just going to sit up here and say it, there's obviously actions that have to back up these words. I'm just going to go out there and prove that I'm the best guy."

Scouts will have to wait to see if Bridgewater can live up to the boasts.

He never planned

to throw during Sunday's workouts at Lucas Oil Stadium and also pulled out of the 40-yard dash after telling reporters he would run.

But that hasn't hurt Bridgewater yet.

He measured in at 6-foot-2, 214 pounds, good size for an NFL quarterback with room to even add a few more pounds. And despite questions about hand size, Bridgewater's completion percentage and touchdown passes continued to steadily increase each of the past three seasons at the same time his interception totals declined.

Teams searching for a new franchise quarterback, such as Houston, which has the top pick in May, will spend these next 10 weeks trying to determine who to take in this three-man race — Bridgewater, Blake Bortles or 2012 Heisman Trophy winner Johnny Manziel.

"I haven't studied him (Bridgewater) enough, and coming from defense, I don't consider myself a quarterback expert," said Browns coach Mike Pettine.

Without LeBron, Bosh and Wade lead Heat to win over Bulls

STEVEN WINE
AP Sports Writer

MIAMI — With LeBron James watching from the bench in a suit and tie, Chris Bosh and Dwyane Wade powered the Miami Heat to a 93-79 victory over the Chicago Bulls on Sunday.

James was a late scratch after he broke his nose in Thursday's win at Oklahoma City, and his teammates picked up the slack, with reserves Chris Andersen, Michael Beasley and Ray Allen helping the Heat pull away in the second half.

Bosh tied a career high with four 3-pointers and had 28 points and 10 rebounds. Wade added 23 points, 10 rebounds and seven assists, while Mario Chalmers contributed 12 points and nine assists.

But the Heat mostly won with defense against the offensively challenged Bulls, who were also short-handed. Starter Jimmy Butler was a late scratch because of bruised ribs.

The Bulls shot 36 percent, went 6 for 21 from 3-point range and were called for a 24-second violation at least six times, including twice in a row. Joakim Noah had 20 points, 15 rebounds and four blocks for Chicago, which had won five in a row.

RAPTORS 105, MAGIC 90

TORONTO — Kyle Lowry scored 28 points, DeMar DeRozan had 24 and the Toronto Raptors beat Orlando 105-90 Sunday night, handing the Magic their 15th straight road loss.

Terrence Ross scored 16 and Amir Johnson had 12 points and eight rebounds before leaving with a sprained



LYNNE SLADKY / AP

Miami Heat's LeBron James, right, high-fives Dwyane Wade (3) during a time-out in the second half of an NBA basketball game against the Chicago Bulls on Sunday in Miami. The Heat defeated the Bulls 93-79.

right ankle in the Raptors' fifth victory in six games

Toronto improved to 12-3 in its past 15 home games and moved six games above .500 for the first time since Feb. 24, 2010, when their record was also 31-25.

Tobias Harris scored 28 points and E'Twaun Moore had 16 as the Magic opened a four-game trip with their fourth loss in five games. Nikola Vucevic and Kyle O'Quinn each had 11.

CLIPPERS 125, THUNDER 117

OKLAHOMA CITY — Jamal Crawford scored 36 points to help the Los Angeles Clippers beat the Oklahoma City Thunder 125-117 on Sunday afternoon.

Matt Barnes scored 24 points, Chris Paul had 18 points, 12 assists and eight rebounds, Blake Griffin scored 20 points and DeAndre Jordan added 18 points and 12 rebounds for the Clippers, who snapped a two-game skid.

Kevin Durant had 42 points and 10 assists and Serge Ibaka added 20 points for the Thunder, who lost their second straight. It was the most points the Thunder have allowed this season.

Oklahoma City overcame a 15-point deficit late in the third quarter to take a 115-112 lead on a 3-pointer by Durant with 2:43 to play, but the Clippers controlled the game from there.

A 3-pointer by Crawford with 1:30 remaining gave Los Angeles a 119-115 lead. Crawford scored again on a floating jumper in the final minute to push the lead to 121-117. Westbrook missed a 3-pointer, and Paul made two free throws to extend the Clippers' lead to six and put Clippers in charge with 29.7 seconds left.

Paul sprained his right thumb against Memphis this past Friday and coach Doc Rivers said before the game it was 50-50 if he

would play.

The Clippers shot 66 percent in the first half to take a 72-66 lead at the break. Barnes made a 3-pointer with 9.8 seconds left in the first half, and a loose ball foul was called on Ibaka away from the shot. Griffin made the free throw to give the Clippers a 72-64 lead.

WIZARDS 96, CAVALIERS 83

CLEVELAND — John Wall scored 21 points, Bradley Beal had 17 and the Washington Wizards beat the Cleveland Cavaliers 96-83 on Sunday night.

The Wizards held the Cavaliers to 11 fourth-quarter points to return to .500 at 28-28 on the season. They also strengthened their hold on the fifth spot in the Eastern Conference standings.

The strong defensive performance in the final period came after Washington lost Nene to a sprained left knee midway through the third quarter.

GOLF



MATT YORK / AP

Jason Day, of Australia, celebrates on the 23rd hole after winning his match against Victor Dubuisson, of France, during the Match Play Championship golf tournament on Sunday in Marana, Ariz.

Day survives the magic of Dubuisson in Match Play

DOUG FERGUSON
AP Golf Writer

MARANA, Ariz. — Jason Day never stopped believing he would win the Match Play Championship, even in the midst of so many shots by Victor Dubuisson that simply defied belief.

With his ball at the base of a cactus, Dubuisson took an all-or-nothing swing through the sharp needles and a TV cable and incredibly hit it to 4 feet to save par. Seemingly out of it on the next playoff hole, the 23-year-old Frenchman somehow whacked a wedge through a desert bush and onto the green for another par.

Day finally ended the madness Sunday on the 23rd hole with a pitch to 4 feet on No. 15 for birdie.

Mon dieu! It was the first time the championship match went overtime since the inaugural

year in 1999 at La Costa, when Jeff Maggert chipped on the second extra hole of a 36-hole final. That was like watching paint dry compared to the show Dubuisson put on.

Day, with his first World Golf Championship, walked away with his second PGA Tour title that will take the Australian to No. 4 in the world.

This tournament might better be remembered for Dubuisson's magical escapes.

"Vic, man, he has a lot of guts," Day said. "He has a great short game — straight out of the cactus twice. For a 23-year-old kid, he's got a lot of game. We're going to see a lot of him for years to come."

Even the great Seve Ballesteros would have saluted this performance.

Two holes down with two holes to play, Dubuisson rapped in a 15-foot birdie putt on the 17th hole and

then took advantage of a rare lapse by Day, who bogeyed the 18th hole with a three-putt from 50 feet on the upper tier. The Frenchman saved par from the bunker to force extra holes.

It looked like it would be over quickly.

From the first fairway, Dubuisson went so far long that bounced hard off the back of the green and into the desert, the ball nestled at the base of a cholla. During regulation, he would have taken a penalty drop. In this case, he felt he had no choice. He stepped up to the ball and, with nothing to lose, swung away. The club got caught on a TV cable, and the ball scooted up the slope of 3-inch grass and onto the green.

It was reminiscent of the shot Bill Haas pulled off at East Lake from shallow water on the 17th hole. This was better.

BASEBALL

Yanks, Gardner agree on \$52M, four-year deal

MARK DIDTLER
Associated Press

TAMPA — Outfielder Brett Gardner and the New York Yankees agreed Sunday to a four-year contract worth \$52 million.

The new pact starts in 2015 and includes a fifth-year club option for \$12.5 million and a \$2 million buyout. If traded, Gardner would receive \$1 million.

"It shows the level of confidence, belief and trust, and the type of player and person he is," Yankees general manager Brian Cashman said. "We're excited to know that he's going to be a part of this team going forward. We're a better team with Gardy on it, that's the bottom line. This is a good day for him, and we believe it makes the future for us better."

Gardner has a \$5.6 million, one-year contract for this season. He would have been eligible for free agency after the 2014 season.

"Free agency is something that, it kind of intrigued me, but it also kind of scared me," Gardner said.



CHARLIE NEIBERGALL / AP

New York Yankees center fielder Brett Gardner bunts during spring training on Friday in Tampa.

"I've never been anywhere else. I love it here. I love putting on the pinstripes everyday."

Cashman said talks about the contract started at the winter meetings in December.

The Yankees are moving Gardner to left field this year after the signing of free agent center fielder Jacoby Ellsbury to a \$153 million, seven-year contract in December.

Gardner did have questions in his mind about his Yankees' future after the Ellsbury signing.

"When they signed Jacoby, your name gets thrown out in the trade rumors and all that,"

Gardner said. "It's kind of annoying, really. I didn't want to get traded. I don't want to go anywhere else, and I let them know that."

The 30-year-old Gardner hit .273 last year with eight home runs, 52 RBIs and 24 stolen bases.

"I like what he brings," Cashman said. "The speed dynamic, the defense, and I think the offense is there as well."

Also, the Yankees agreed to a minor league contract with injured closer Andrew Bailey, who was with Boston last year and is coming back from shoulder surgery last July.

Barry Bonds will be SF Giants spring training instructor

RICK EYMER
Associated Press

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. — Barry Bonds is all set to return to the San Francisco Giants. As a spring training instructor, that is.

The all-time home run leader who never officially retired is expected to arrive during the second week of March. Manager Bruce Bochy said Saturday that he's looking forward to having the 49-year-old Bonds in camp and thinks he can help the hitters.

Bonds spent his last 15 seasons with the Giants, finishing in 2007. He has not been elected to the Hall of Fame, with many voters saying his lofty numbers were boosted by performance-enhancing drugs.

Bonds set major league records with 762 career home runs and 73 in 2001. He also had a .444 career on-base percentage and a .607 slugging percentage and stole 514 bases.

He'll join former Giants Jeff Kent, Robb Nen, Will Clark and J.T. Snow as special instructors.

Kent and Bonds were involved in a highly publicized feud during the 2002 season, which reached its peak in June, when the two engaged in a shoving match in the dugout that was caught on camera.

Bonds' final contract with the Giants included a 10-year ser-



AP FILE PHOTO

Barry Bonds acknowledges the crowd before throwing out a ceremonial first pitch before Game 3 of baseball's 2010 NLCS.

vices deal following his retirement, which included spring training visits. The seven-time MVP has made limited public appearances since his final season.

Bonds remains a fan favorite in San Francisco, enjoying a warm reception any time he's introduced at AT&T Park, the Giants' home park.

Matt Cain, the Giants' longest active tenured player, was Bonds' teammate between 2005-07. Tim Lincecum made his major league debut in 2007.

Sweden's Anna Nordqvist wins LPGA Thailand

Associated Press

CHONBURI, Thailand — Anna Nordqvist won the LPGA Thailand on Sunday to end a five-year victory drought, holding off top-ranked Inbee Park at Siam County Club.

Nordqvist, the LPGA Championship and LPGA Tour Championship winner in 2009, led wire-to-wire. The 26-year-old Swede closed with a 4-under 68 to beat defending champion Park by two strokes.

"I'm speechless to be honest," Nordqvist said. "It's been a couple years since I won. I've been working very hard. Had my ups and downs. Just couldn't be happier to be here. It was such a hard push on the back nine."

Nordqvist finished at 15-under 273 on the Pattaya Old Course. Park, making her first start of the year, had a bogey-free 66. The South Korean player won six times last year.

"I feel good," Park said. "Today, my ball-striking wasn't as good as yesterday. I putted better than yes-



SIAMSPORT / AP

Anna Nordqvist of Sweden shows off her winner's trophy during the award ceremony of the LPGA Thailand golf tournament on Sunday in Pattaya, Thailand.

terday. So I feel like my putter is coming back. I played one shot better than last year and didn't win. Still a very good result. Tells me I improved a little."

Scotland's Catriona Matthew was third at 11 under after a 65, and Michelle Wie was 10 under after a 69.

"Inbee kept making birdies and Michelle was playing great," said Nordqvist, four strokes ahead of Park and Wie entering the round. "I couldn't really breathe until the last putt, so obviously I could just let go on the last putt."

Wie cut the lead to one with a three-stroke swing on the par-4 fifth

hole. Nordqvist had a double bogey on the hole and Wie made a birdie.

Nordqvist rebounded with a 12-foot birdie putt on No. 7 to extend her lead two shots. She birdied five of the first seven holes on the back nine to open a three-stroke lead and closed with a bogey on the par-5 18th.

"I just really had to stay strong," Nordqvist said.

Projected to jump to 14th in the world ranking, Nordqvist changed equipment and started working with instructor Jorje Parada during the offseason after considering leaving the tour.

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BRENNAN LINSLEY / AP

Matt Figi hugs and tickles his once severely ill 7-year-old daughter Charlotte, as they wander around inside a greenhouse for a special strain of medical marijuana known as Charlotte's Web, which was named after the girl early in her treatment, in a remote spot in the mountains west of Colorado Springs, Colo.

Charlotte's Web

Kids with seizures use pot as treatment

NICHOLAS RICCARDI
Associated Press

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. — The doctors were out of ideas to help 5-year-old Charlotte Figi. Suffering from a rare genetic disorder, she had as many as 300 grand mal seizures a week, used a wheelchair, went into repeated cardiac arrest and could barely speak. As a last resort, her mother began calling medical marijuana shops.

Two years later, Charlotte is largely seizure-free and able to walk, talk and feed herself after taking oil infused with a special pot strain. Her recovery has inspired both a name for the strain of marijuana she takes that is bred not to make users high

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BRENNAN LINSLEY / AP

Aileen Burger holds up a bottle of cannabis-infused oil used as medicine for her 4-year-old daughter Elizabeth, who suffers from severe epilepsy and is receiving the experimental treatment with a special strain of medical marijuana.

Jazz study shows link between music and language

LAURAN NEERGAARD
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Jazz musicians are famous for their musical conversations — one improvises a few bars and another plays an answer. Now research shows some of the brain's language regions enable that musical back-and-forth much like a spoken conversation.

It gives new meaning to the idea of music as a universal language.

The finding, published

Wednesday in the journal PLoS One, is the latest in the growing field of musical neuroscience: Researchers are using how we play and hear music to illuminate different ways that the brain works.

And to Dr. Charles Limb, a saxophonist-turned-hearing specialist at Johns Hopkins University, the spontaneity that is a hallmark of jazz offered a rare chance to compare music and language.

"They appear to be

talking to one another through their instruments," Limb explained. "What happens when you have a musical conversation?"

Watching brains on jazz requires getting musicians to lie flat inside a cramped MRI scanner that measures changes in oxygen use by different parts of the brain as they play.

An MRI machine contains a giant magnet — meaning no trumpet or sax. So Limb had a special

metal-free keyboard manufactured, and then recruited 11 experienced jazz pianists to play it inside the scanner. They watched their fingers through strategically placed mirrors during 10-minute music stretches.

Sometimes they played scales. Other times, they did what's called "trading fours," where the pianist made up four bars, and then Limb or another musician-scientist in

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Health check



TAVARES

Florida Hospital Waterman to host events this week

Community health events at Florida Hospital Waterman, 1000 Waterman Way, in Tavares include Cardiac Devices: Cardiac Rhythm Management with Miguel Bryce, MD, from 1 to 2 p.m., Wednesday, at the Mattison Conference Center. Call 352-253-3635 to register or for information.

W.A.L.K., the Waterman Amputee and Limb Loss Konnections support group for amputees and people with limb loss, meets on the fourth Monday of each month, from 6 to 7 p.m. in the Mattison Conference Room B. Call Tracey Estok at 352-253-3892 for information.

LADY LAKE

'Nourish Your Body' series set for today at the library

The "Nourish Your Body" series at the Lady Lake Public Library, 225 W. Guava St., continues with eating for eye health from 1 to 2:30 p.m., today.

Julie England, family and consumer sciences extension agent with UF/IFAS Extension Lake County, will present the program.

Registration is available at www.yesladylake.eventbrite.com, by calling 352-343-4101, ext. 2719 or 2721, or by emailing julieeng@ufl.edu.

LEESBURG

'HIV/AIDS 101' workshop scheduled for today

The National Association of Social Workers Lake/Sumter Unit will host a meeting and workshop from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m., today at the Leesburg Public Library, 100 E. Main St., downtown Leesburg.

Diana Cheffer of the Department of Health will lead the workshop and refreshments will be served.

For information, email Suzanne Howard at wingslcsw@comcast.net, or call 800-352-6279.

LADY LAKE

New active aging center set to open on March 3

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— Charlotte's Web — and an influx of families with seizure-stricken children to Colorado from states that ban the drug.

"She can walk, talk; she ate chili in the car," her mother, Paige Figi, said as her dark-haired daughter strolled through a cavernous greenhouse full of marijuana plants that will later be broken down into their anti-seizure components and mixed with olive oil so patients can consume them. "So I'll fight for whomever wants this."

Doctors warn there is no proof that Charlotte's Web is effective, or even safe.

In the frenzy to find the drug, there have been reports of non-authorized suppliers offering bogus strains of Charlotte's Web. In one case, a doctor said, parents were told they could replicate the strain by cooking marijuana in butter. Their child went into heavy seizures.

"We don't have any peer-reviewed, published literature to support it," Dr. Larry Wolk, the state health department's chief medical officer, said of Charlotte's Web.

Still, more than 100 families have relocated since Charlotte's story first began spreading last summer, according to Figi and her husband. The relocated families have formed

a close-knit group in Colorado Springs, the law-and-order town where the dispensary selling the drug is located. They meet for lunch, support sessions and hikes.

"It's the most hope lots of us have ever had," said Holli Brown, whose 9-year-old daughter, Sydni, began speaking in sentences and laughing since moving to Colorado from Kansas City and taking the marijuana strain.

Amy Brooks-Kayal, vice president of the American Epilepsy Society, warned that a few miraculous stories may not mean anything — epileptic seizures come and go for no apparent reason — and scientists do not know what sort of damage Charlotte's Web could be doing to young brains.

"Until we have that information, as physicians, we can't follow our first creed, which is do no harm," she said, suggesting that parents relocate so their children can get treated at one of the nation's 28 top-tier pediatric epilepsy centers rather than move to Colorado.

However, the society urges more study of pot's possibilities. The families using Charlotte's Web, as well as the brothers who grow it, say they want the drug rigorously tested, and their efforts to ensure its purity have won them praise from skeptics like Wolk.

For many, Charlotte's story was something they couldn't ignore.



BRENNAN LINSLEY / AP

A worker cultivates a special strain of medical marijuana known as Charlotte's Web inside a greenhouse, in a remote spot in the mountains west of Colorado Springs, Colo.

Charlotte is a twin, but her sister, Chase, doesn't have Dravet's syndrome, which kills kids before they reach adulthood.

In early 2012, it seemed Charlotte would be added to that grim roster. Her vital signs flat-lined three times, leading her parents to begin preparing for her death. They even signed an order for doctors not to take heroic measures to save her life again should she go into cardiac arrest.

Her father, Matt, a former Green Beret who took a job as a contractor working in Afghanistan, started looking online for ways to help his daughter and thought they should give pot a try. But there was a danger: Marijuana's psychoactive ingredient, THC, can trigger seizures.

The drug also contains another chemical known as CBD that may have seizure-fighting properties. In October, the Food and Drug Administration approved testing a British pharmaceutical firm's marijuana-derived drug that is CBD-based and has all its THC removed.

Few dispensaries stock CBD-heavy weed that doesn't get you high. Then Paige Figi found Joel Stanley.

One of 11 siblings raised by a single mother and their grandmother in Oklahoma, Stanley and four of his brothers had found themselves in the medical marijuana business after moving to Colorado. Almost as an experiment, they bred a low-THC, high-CBD plant after hearing it could fight tumors.

Stanley went to the Figis' house with reservations about giving pot to a child.

"But she had done her homework," Stanley said of Paige Figi. "She wasn't a pot activist or a hippy, just a conservative mom."

Now, Stanley and his brothers provide the marijuana to nearly 300 patients and have a waitlist of 2,000.

The CBD is extracted by a chemist who once worked for drug giant Pfizer, mixed with olive oil so it can be ingested through the mouth or the feeding tube that many sufferers from childhood epilepsy use, then sent to a third-party lab to test its purity.

Charlotte takes the medication twice a day. "A year ago, she could only say one word," her father said. "Now she says complete sentences."

The recovery of Charlotte and other kids has inspired the Figis and others to travel the country, pushing for medical marijuana laws or statutes that would allow high-CBD, low-THC pot strains.

Donald Burger recently urged a New York state legislative panel to legalize medical marijuana while his wife, Aileen, was in the family's new rental house in Colorado Springs, giving Charlotte's Web to their daughter Elizabeth, 4. The family only relocated to Colorado after neurologists told them Elizabeth's best hope — brain surgery — could only stop some of her seizures.

"It's a very big strain being away from the rest of our family," Aileen Burger said recently while waiting for her husband to return from a trip to sell their Long Island house. "But she doesn't have to have pieces of her brain removed."

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the lab improvised four bars in return, and the pianist responded with still new notes.

That conversation-like improvisation activated brain areas that normally process the syntax of language,

the way that words are put together into phrases and sentences. Even between their turns playing, the brain wasn't resting. The musicians were processing what they were hearing to come up with new sounds that were a good fit.

At the same time, certain other regions of the brain involved with language — those that process the meaning of words — were tuned down, Limb found.

That makes sense because "the richness of the structure of music is what gives it its significance," Limb said. "You can have substantive discourse using music, without any words, yet language areas of the brain are involved in this unique way."

One ultimate goal of musical neuroscience is to better understand the brain's circuitry, and how it can rewire itself, in hopes of eventually finding new treatments for neural disorders. Limb made headlines several years ago when he measured jazz musicians' riffs — longer, solo improvisations — to study creativity in the brain.

"We know nothing about how the brain innovates," he said. "This is one way to learn what innovation means neurologically."

Stay tuned: Next he hopes to study children who are just learning music, and to compare amateurs to professionals, as he explores how people become creative.

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Animal moms customize milk depending on baby's sex

LAURAN NEERGAARD
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — A special blend of mother's milk just for girls? New research shows animal moms are customizing their milk in surprising ways depending on whether they have a boy or a girl.

The studies raise questions for human babies, too — about how to choose the donor milk that's used for hospitalized preemies, or whether we should explore gender-specific infant formula.

"There's been this myth that mother's milk is pretty standard," said Harvard University evolutionary biologist Katie Hinde, whose research suggests that's far from true — in monkeys and cows, at least.

Instead, "the biological recipes for sons and daughters may be different," she told a meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science on Friday.

Pediatricians have long stressed that breast milk is best when it comes to baby's first food. Breast-fed infants are healthier, suffering fewer illnesses such as diarrhea, earaches or pneumonia during the first year of life and less likely to develop asthma or obesity later on.

But beyond general nutrition, there have been few studies of the content of human breast milk, and how it might vary from one birth to the next or even over the course of one baby's growth. That research is difficult to conduct in people.



KATHY WEST / AP

This photo provided by the California National Primate Research Center shows a nursing rhesus macaque monkey in 2013.

So Hinde studies the milk that rhesus monkey mothers make for their babies. The milk is richer in fat when monkeys have male babies, especially when it's mom's first birth, she found.

But they made a lot more milk when they had daughters, Hinde discovered. Do daughters nurse more, spurring production? Or does something signal mom prenatally to produce more?

To tell, Hinde paired with Kansas State University researchers to examine lactation records of nearly 1.5 million Holstein cows. Unlike monkey babies, calves are separated from their mothers early on, meaning any difference should be prenatal.

Sure enough, cows

that bore daughters produced about 1.6 percent more milk. Since cows lactate for 305 days, that adds up. More interesting, cows often lactate while pregnant — and those that bore a second daughter in a row produced almost 1,000 more pounds of milk over nearly two years than those that produced only sons, Hinde calculated.

Back to the monkeys — where Hinde found still more differences in the quality of the milk.

Milk produced for monkey daughters contains more calcium, she found. One explanation: Female monkeys' skeletons mature faster than males' do, suggesting they need a bigger infusion of this bone-strengthening mineral. Human girls'

skeletons mature faster than boys, too, but there haven't been similar studies of calcium in human breast milk, Hinde said.

Mothers' milk even affects babies' behavior, she said. Higher levels of the natural stress hormone cortisol in milk can make infants more nervous and less confident. But boys and girls appear sensitive to the hormone's effects at different ages, her latest monkey research suggests.

One previous study of human babies has linked higher cortisol levels in breast milk to cranky daughters, not sons, but Hinde cautioned that testing cortisol reactions at only

one point in time could have missed an effect on younger or older boys.

What about boy and

girl twins? Hinde can't answer; the monkeys she studies seldom have twins. Nor can she explain why the animals show these gender differences.

"It's something highly personalized for that mother and that infant at that time point. That's an exquisite thing," Hinde said, who wants to see similar study of human breast milk.

Because high-quality breast milk is particularly important to the most vulnerable infants, she wonders whether premature babies in intensive care might fare better with gender-matched donor milk. Then there's the formula question.

"We think it's important — and it's not — to make different deodorants for men and women, and yet we kind of approach formula as though boys and girls have the same developmental priorities," Hinde said with a laugh.

Panel advances bill raising Utah smoking age to 21

MICHELLE L. PRICE
Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY — A proposal advancing in the Utah Legislature could make the state the first in the country to raise the age people can buy tobacco products from 19 to 21.

The Senate Health and Human Services Committee voted 4-1 on Thursday morning to approve the measure, forwarding it to the full Senate for a vote.

Sen. Stuart Reid, R-Ogden, is sponsoring the bill, which he said could prevent young people from becoming addicted to tobacco because it delays their access to it.

His bill would take effect in 2016, which he said gives the 18-, 19- and 20-year-olds who already smoke enough time to reach the new minimum age.

Opponents of his bill argue there's no evidence to support that.

Instead, they say the measure infringes on the freedom of young adults.

Utah is already among a handful of states that ban sales for those under 19 years old, instead of 18.

Last year, New York City became the first large city or state in the

country to bar tobacco sales to people under 21.

Reid's bill could make Utah the first state to follow New York City's ban, though Colorado legislators are also considering a similar measure this year.

Lehi resident Marla Brannum, a mother of three children, urged lawmakers to pass the bill, saying it would "drastically eliminate" the ability of her kids to access cigarettes.

"By raising the age limit, it puts them in a situation where they're not going to pick it up until a much later age," she said.

About 1 in 10 adults in Utah smokes, according to the most recent report from Utah Department of Health's Tobacco Prevention and Control Program.

Of those roughly 200,000 smokers, almost 90 percent of them started before age 18, according to the report.

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Flu season waning; younger adults hit hardest

MIKE STOBBE
Associated Press

ATLANTA — Flu season seems to be winding down, and it's been an odd one.

It hasn't been as bad as last year and the vaccine worked a little better. And it has been a fairly mild one for the elderly — traditionally the most vulnerable group.

But it's been a different story for young and middle-age adults, who have been hit harder than expected because of a surge in swine flu.

Most flu seasons, only one-third of the people who land in the hospital with the flu are adults ages 18-64. This winter, they have accounted for two-thirds, most of them adults who were obese or had

another ailment.

The numbers “are painful reminders that flu can be serious for anyone, not just infants and the very old,” said Dr. Tom Frieden, director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

The CDC released new information Thursday about the flu season, which started around mid-December, a bit earlier than usual, and apparently peaked by mid-January. Last winter, it started even earlier.

For weeks, flu has been waning in some parts of the country, although health officials say there's still a lot of flu virus going around and flu season is capable of getting a second wind.

One way the CDC measures the flu's severity is by rates of hospitalizations for flu and its complications. Overall, they have been only half what they



MATT ROURKE / AP

As the flu season winds down, health officials say it wasn't as bad as last year.

were last winter despite the higher rates in younger adults.

Health officials say that's because the flu strain that is making most people sick this winter is swine flu, or H1N1. That kind first showed up in 2009 and caused a global pandemic that was particularly dangerous to younger adults.

Since then, the virus has been around each winter but mostly has been a backstage presence. Experts say the virus hasn't mutated. It's simply encountering a lot of younger adults who never were infected before and haven't been vaccinated, said CDC flu expert Dr. Joseph Bresee.

The annual flu vaccine is modified each year, and swine flu is now included in the mix of seasonal strains. Working-age adults have the lowest vaccination rates, CDC officials noted.

Among infectious diseases, flu is considered one of the nation's leading killers. On average, about 24,000 Americans die each flu season, according to the CDC. The agency doesn't keep an exact count of flu deaths. But health officials es-

timates that 60 percent of flu deaths this season have been in people ages 25 to 64, similar to the numbers from 2009-2010.

The government also released data on this year's flu vaccine. A flu vaccine that's 60 to 70 percent effective in the U.S. is considered pretty good and this year's falls in that range.

Overall, it was a moderate 61 percent. That means those who got a shot have a 61 percent lower chance of winding up at the doctor with the flu. Last year, it was 56 percent effective.

Those numbers reflect how good the vaccine was against swine flu. There wasn't enough data to really gauge how well it worked in the elderly against a strain that's more dangerous to older adults.

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Guidelines to reduce C-section births urge waiting

LAURAN NEERGAARD
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Show more patience in the delivery room: That's the prescription being given to the nation's obstetricians.

New guidelines say doctors should give otherwise healthy women more time to deliver their babies vaginally before assuming that labor has stalled. The recommendations are the latest in years of efforts to prevent unnecessary C-sections.

"Labor takes a little longer than we may have thought," said Dr. Aaron Caughey, who co-authored the guidelines for the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists.

The recommendations are being published jointly Thursday by two groups of pregnancy specialists — ACOG and the Society for Maternal-Fetal Medicine — amid growing concern that C-sections are overused.

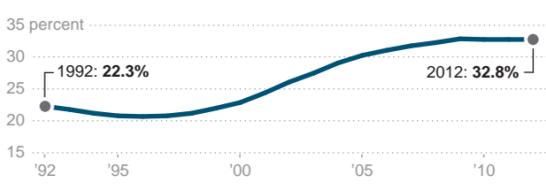
Nearly 1 in 3 women in the U.S. gives birth by cesarean. Yes, C-sections can be life-saving for mother or baby. But they also can be done for convenience or fear of lawsuits, and the surgery can bring some serious health risks. And having one cesarean greatly increases the chances that a next pregnancy will end in one, too.

One of the main rea-

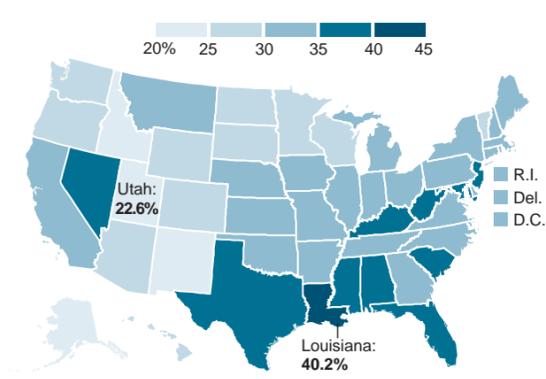
Cesarean births

The percentage of births in the United States by cesarean section has leveled off after rising for more than a decade.

Cesarean sections as a percentage of all deliveries in the U.S.



Cesarean deliveries in 2012 by state



SOURCE: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

sons for a first-time C-section is labor that's progressing too slowly, ACOG's analysis found.

How long should labor take? There's no clear-cut deadline, and every woman is different, stressed Caughey, obstetrics chairman at the Oregon Health and Sciences University.

"My patients ask this every day," he said. He tells them it can "run the gamut from six hours long, start to finish, to three and four days" at the other extreme.

Whether labor is too slow is assessed at different time points — and what doctors were taught in medical school about the different stages may not be

the most up-to-date.

A 2012 study from the National Institutes of Health found that one particular stage takes up to 2½ hours longer now than it did in the 1960s, when many labor definitions were set. Partly that's because today's mothers-to-be tend to be older and weigh more. But it's also because of some changes in obstetric practice, such as more use of painkilling epidurals that can slow labor.

So the obstetricians' group took a closer look. Among the recommendations for otherwise low-risk mothers and babies:

■ Don't order a C-section just because

the first and longest phase of labor is prolonged. This so-called latent phase is when contractions are mild and far apart, and the mother's cervix is barely dilated. Historically doctors considered it stalled if it lasted longer than 20 hours for a first-time mom, or 14 hours for other mothers.

■ "Active labor" begins later than once thought, not until the cervix is dilated 6 centimeters. Active labor is when contractions become stronger and more frequent, and the cervix begins to dilate more rapidly until the woman eventually is ready to push. Doctors once thought active labor began when the cervix was dilated 4 centimeters, but recent research shows that dilation remains pretty slow until reaching the new threshold.

That's an important change because many doctors won't admit women to the hospital until they're in active labor, unless they need more care for another reason.

"As soon as someone is admitted to the hospital, they're kind of on the clock," Caughey said.

■ If women aren't too tired, allow them to push at least two hours if they have delivered before, three hours if it's their first baby. They may push longer if they had an epidural as long

as the doctor can see progress.

■ Forceps can offer a safe alternative to certain cesareans if used by an experienced, well-trained physician. Few physicians today undergo the training.

The advice shouldn't be a surprise to doctors who've been paying attention to recent research about labor times, but it's hard to predict how quickly they'll change long-term practices, Caughey said.

Some women's groups have long warned that rushed labor was fueling cesareans, and Lamaze International welcomed

the guidelines and said mothers-to-be need to know them, too.

"They need to have a better understanding of what normal labor is," said Lamaze president Michele Ondeck.

She advised expectant mothers to ask about the cesarean rate before choosing an obstetric practice, and then before the due date to discuss how the doctor supports women in labor and what he or she considers too long. If the doctor says labor has stalled, it's OK to ask if mom or baby is in danger and if there are alternatives to an immediate cesarean, Ondeck said.

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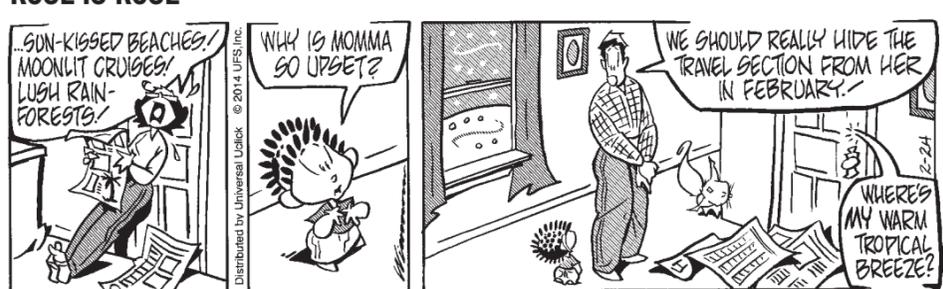
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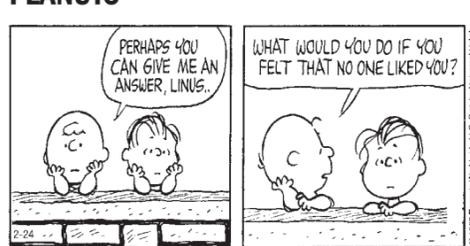
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Wife weighs charging coarse husband with harassment

DEAR ABBY: Can you be sexually harassed/abused by your spouse? My husband talks dirty to me and grabs at my breasts. I have repeatedly asked him to stop, but he doesn't listen and continues to do it. We have two small kids at home, and by the time they go to bed, I could care less about being intimate.



Dear Abby

JEANNE PHILLIPS

His behavior disgusts me, and to be honest, I don't want to have sex with him. I have female problems and have told him it hurts, but it makes no difference to him. He touches me in front of the kids, and I have to slap his hand away.

I can't leave him because I don't have a car or income for myself, nor do I have family or friends close by. I can't go to his family because they see him in a different light. What would you suggest, and is it harassment — and could I press charges? — **LEAVE MY AURA ALONE**

DEAR AURA: You have mentioned so many problems in your short letter that it's hard to know where to begin. While your husband's attempts at foreplay are beyond clumsy and ineffective, I can't help but feel some sympathy for him because it appears you have him on a starvation diet.

How long this can continue for either of you is uncertain. Rather than try to charge harassment, why not schedule an appointment with your gynecologist and find out WHY having sex is painful for you. It is not supposed to be, and your doctor may be able to help you resolve the problem. Marriage counseling might also help, because it's clear you and your husband aren't communicating on any meaningful level.

If these problems are not resolvable, you can't continue living like this and neither can he. Because your family isn't nearby and you have no transportation, call or write them and let them know you may need their help to return. If they are unable to help you, contact a domestic abuse hotline. Unwanted sexual advances could be considered

harassment, and sex without consent is rape.

DEAR ABBY: It absolutely frosts me when parents head for the toy department so their children will have something to play with while they shop. Then, after the kids have spent time drooling, teething, sneezing, etc., they leave the dirty toys at the end of the aisle for someone else to buy.

Yesterday I saw a child sucking on the paw of a stuffed animal. When I commented on how that must be the child's favorite toy, the mother said it wasn't theirs — she was just keeping the little boy quiet while she shopped.

Last week I stood behind someone in the checkout line. In her child's mouth was the ribbon from a Mylar balloon. When the mother finished loading her groceries onto the conveyor belt, she said, "Time to put this back now!"

It's my pet peeve: First the germs they get from sucking on this stuff, then the ones everyone else is exposed to from the child. And on top of that there's the stealing, because I have seen children break toys.

This is wrong, and we're all paying for it. Why can't these parents throw something in the diaper bag before they leave home? — **PUT IT DOWN! IN VIRGINIA**

DEAR PUT IT DOWN: Because the parents aren't doing their job — they are forgetful or lazy, and have no consideration for the store owners or other shoppers. Sadly, parents like the ones you have described raise children who are just like themselves.

Dear Abby is written by Abigail Van Buren, also known as Jeanne Phillips, and was founded by her mother, Pauline Phillips. Write Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069.

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2	4	3						
3			1					4
		6			9			
5	8	6	9					
	7							8
				7	2	5	4	
	7			1				
4		2						3
			8	4				5

Fill in the squares so that each row, column, and 3-by-3 box contain the numbers 1 through 9.

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION

6	9	4	2	5	3	1	8	7
1	5	8	4	6	7	3	9	2
7	2	3	8	9	1	4	6	5
9	3	5	7	8	2	6	1	4
4	6	1	9	3	5	2	7	8
2	8	7	1	4	6	5	3	9
8	1	9	6	2	4	7	5	3
5	4	6	3	7	9	8	2	1
3	7	2	5	1	8	9	4	6

How to play: Fill in the blank squares with the numbers 1 through 9 so that each horizontal row, vertical column and nine-square sub-grid contains no repeated numbers.

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The solution to today's puzzle will be in tomorrow's paper.

AXYDLBAAXR
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One letter stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

2-24 CRYPTOQUOTE

YEPXRFWOFL WF PXY LNPXYC
NT YTTNCP, OEG VWPXNRP
WP ENPXWEQ QCYOP VOF
YAYC OMXWYAYG. — COJHX
VOJGN YLYCFNE

Saturday's Cryptoquote: A GOOD NOVEL TELLS US THE TRUTH ABOUT ITS HERO; BUT A BAD NOVEL TELLS US THE TRUTH ABOUT ITS AUTHOR. — G.K. CHESTERTON

WORD SCRIMMAGE™

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1st DOWN +40 PTS

A₂ A₂ T₂ R₂ N₂ G₃ V₇

2nd DOWN +7 PTS

A₂ A₂ S₂ E₁ S₂ G₃ T₂

3rd DOWN

R₂ G₃ V₇ L₂ A₂ T₂ U₃

4th DOWN +50 PTS

E₁ O₂ A₂ G₃ N₂ T₂ C₆

TIME LIMIT: 20 MIN AVERAGE GAME 180-190 PTS
Directions: Make a 2- to 7-letter word from the letters on each yardline. Add points to each word or letter using scoring directions. Seven-letter words get a 60-point bonus. All words can be found in Webster's New World College Dictionary.
2-24-14 **JUDD'S SOLUTION TOMORROW**

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E₁ L₂ D₃ E₁ R₂ S₂ 1st DOWN = 51

N₂ O₂ S₂ T₂ R₂ I₂ L₂ 2nd DOWN = 114

N₂ O₂ U₃ R₂ I₂ S₂ H₇ 3rd DOWN = 80

S₂ E₁ N₂ A₂ T₂ O₂ R₂ 4th DOWN = 93

S₂ P₆ R₂ O₂ U₃ T₂ BONUS DOWN = 24

AVERAGE GAME 230-240 PTS **JUDD'S TOTAL = 362**
2-23-14

DENNIS THE MENACE



"If you need more money, you should become a pro baseball player, Dad."

FAMILY CIRCUS



"I'm tired this morning. Daddy's snoring kept getting in my sleep."

DILBERT



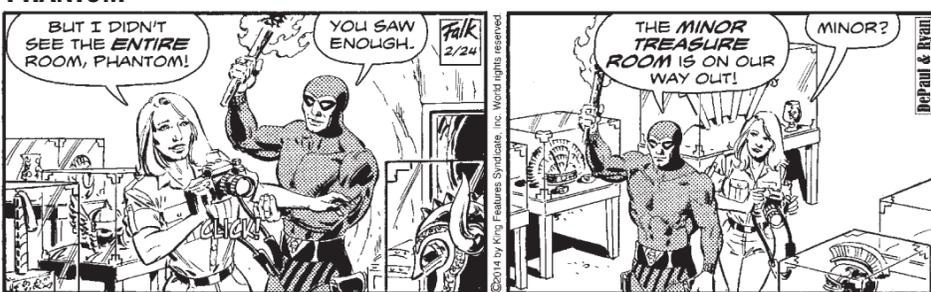
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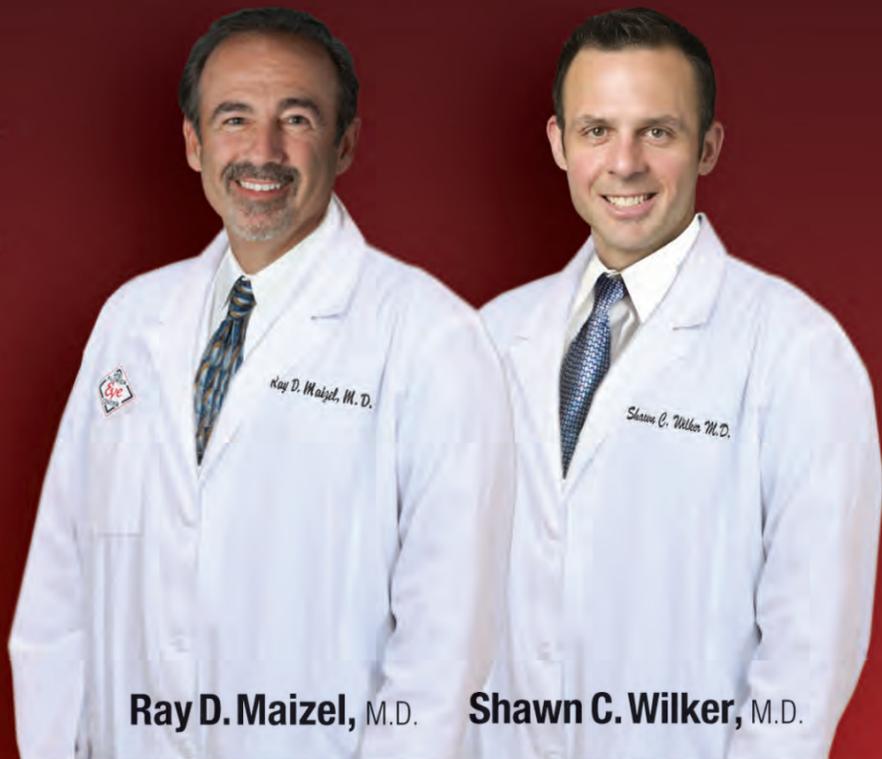
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003 Legal Notices

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION

CASE #:2010-CA-003661
DIVISION: 6

BAC Home Loans Servicing, L.P. f/k/a Countrywide Home Loans Servicing, L.P.

vs.

Raquel Torres, Widow and Surviving Spouse of Antonio Torres, Deceased; Spring Valley Homeowners Association, Inc.; Defendant(s)

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order dated FEBRUARY 4, 2014, entered in Civil Case No. 2010-CA-003661 of the Circuit Court of the 5th Judicial Circuit in and for Lake County, Florida, wherein BAC Home Loans Servicing, L.P. f/k/a Countrywide Home Loans Servicing, L.P., Plaintiff and Raquel Torres, Widow and Surviving Spouse of Antonio Torres, Deceased; are defendant(s), I, Clerk of Court, Neil Kelly, will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash ON THE 1ST FLOOR OF LAKE COUNTY COURTHOUSE, AT 11:00 A.M. on MARCH 12, 2014, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to-wit:

LOT 16, SPRING VALLEY PHASE 1, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 46, PAGES 26 THROUGH 27, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF LAKE 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.

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Neil Kelly
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
Lake County, Florida
/s/D. NEAL
Deputy Clerk of Court

Submitted by: ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF:
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION

File Number: 2014-CP-000117

IN RE: ESTATE OF RAQUEL K. GUZMAN, Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of RAQUEL K. GUZMAN deceased, whose date of death was DECEMBER 20, 2012, is pending in the Circuit Court for Lake County, Florida, Probate Division; File Number 2013 CP 001532 the address of which is 550 W. Main Street, 3rd Floor, Tavares, Florida 32778. 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, who have claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice, must file their claims with this Court WITHIN THE LATER OF THREE (3) MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR THIRTY (30) DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

All other creditors of the decedent and other persons, who have claims or demands against the decedent's estate, must file their claims with this court WITHIN THREE (3) MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE. ALL CLAIMS NOT SO FILED WILL BE FOREVER BARRED. NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.

The date of first publication of this notice is FEBRUARY 17, 2014

Attorney for Personal Representative: /s/DAVID W. VELIZ, ESQUIRE
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