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Veterinarian Boyd Harrell gives a dog a shot at Lake County Animal Services in Tavares on Monday. Animal Services uses spaying and neutering in conjunction with other initiatives to keep the number of euthanized animals as low as possible.

TAVARES

## Rescue post could save lives

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**EDITOR'S NOTE:** This is Part 1 of a two-part series that looks at changes made at Lake County Animal Services since a critical audit took place as well as the significance of spay and neutering programs.

As the county grapples with a \$7 million shortfall in its budget, Lake County Commissioner Leslie Campione has proposed funding for a full-time rescue coordinator position at Lake County Animal Services to cut down on the costs of housing animals at the shelter while reducing the number of animals euthanized.

"This is a situation where by spending money, we will save money," she said. "With this position, you are placing animals with rescue groups, who then find homes for them."

Campione's request was discussed at the county commission meeting this week.

The coordinator would work full-time with rescue groups to get animals out of the shelter.

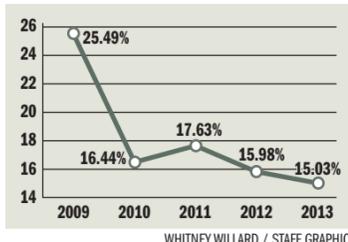
"They would solely be devoted to getting a hold of the rescue groups and getting them to see the animals, and get them placed," Campione added.



A stray husky lies down in a kennel at Lake County Animal Services.

### PERCENTAGE OF DOGS EUTHANIZED

Lake County is euthanizing just over 15 percent of the dogs that come into its shelter, a sizable decrease from 2009, when 25 percent of dogs were being put down.



WHITNEY WILLARD / STAFF GRAPHIC

It is estimated that it costs \$15 a day to house an animal at the shelter, according to local officials. As of Wednesday,

150 animals were housed there.

If the \$36,000 yearly position is funded, Campione said there could be savings of about \$150,000 per year to the county.

"Everyday we house an animal, we are increasing the odds the animal will be euthanized," she said. "This is common sense government. It makes sense."

Campione added: "It is sometimes as little as three to five days before an animal is euthanized."

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CLERMONT

## Cutting out right-turn tax could cost big bucks

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Clermont city officials say they could be on the hook for up to \$28,000 a month if they decide to stop using the controversial new red light cameras to cite drivers for making illegal right turns.

At a City Council meeting Tuesday, City Manager Darren Gray said eliminating the right-turn-on-red violations would reduce the number of tickets so dramatically that there wouldn't be enough revenue to pay for the cameras on a monthly basis.

"We would be responsible for paying ATS, which means \$4,750 per camera per month," Gray told council members. With just six of 24 cameras installed now, that payment could be as high as \$28,500 per month, he explained.

City Attorney Daniel Mantzaris said a contract is a contract.

"We entered into a contract agreement, and while stopping the right turns on red is not in breach of the contract, what enables the city to

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## For Scott, it's about tax cuts and budget

GARY FINEOUT  
Associated Press

TALLAHASSEE

Gov. Rick Scott, weighed down by lackluster poll numbers and a Republican Legislature intent on pursuing its own contentious reforms, appears content to keep it simple as he heads into the 2014 session.

Months before he will ask voters to reelect him for another term, Scott is choosing to push ahead with a limited agenda that sidesteps ongoing de-

bates on hot-button issues such as expanding Medicaid or opening the door to Las Vegas casinos.

Scott's pitch to legislators this year centers primarily on tax cuts and increasing spending in key areas such as hiring more child protection workers or boosting the amount of money spent on Everglades restoration.

"My goal is 'Let's get money back into Florida families hands; let's continue to build our

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LEESBURG

## New gallery opens on Beacon campus

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A downtown Leesburg building that once housed a gym, now is exercising a new life as the

Kristin Michelle Mason Art Gallery on the Beacon College campus with a local family's support that allows the namesake artist's legacy to live on.

"I call this a match made in heaven," Gail Strimenos said Wednesday of the gallery named after her artist daughter,

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Beacon College Art Professor Van Galyon stands by his most recent works are on display at the Kristin Michelle Mason Art Gallery in downtown Leesburg.

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## SCOTT

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economy," Scott said.

The GOP governor wants to use a projected budget surplus to pay for nearly \$600 million in tax cuts, including a rollback in auto registration fees enacted under former Gov. Charlie Crist five years ago. Crist is challenging Scott in the governor's race.

Scott also wants legislators to revive a sales tax holiday for hurricane supplies as well as expand the popular back-

to-school sales tax holiday from its current three days to 10 days.

But Scott also has a long list of ideas for the other side of the ledger as well.

He wants to boost state spending on tourism marketing by nearly 60 percent in an effort to attract 100 million tourists next year. Scott has proposed raising public school spending by nearly 3 percent for each student although part of the increased money relies on a rise in local property values.

Scott is backing a proposal from his child wel-

fare agency to hire more than 400 child protection investigators to reduce caseloads for those who investigate child abuse allegations. Scott has recommended boosting spending on environmental programs including \$130 million for Everglades restoration and \$55 million to help restore and improve water quality at the state's freshwater springs.

Scott's narrow focus for the 2014 session contrasts with the agenda he pursued when he was first elected.

When Scott first came

into office in 2011 he pushed for large spending cuts and tax cuts, while advocating proposals to drug-test welfare recipients and passage of an Arizona-styled measure on immigration.

Although the governor's moves won support from his tea party base, poll after poll in the past three years has shown a majority of Floridians don't approve of the job he's doing. The most recent poll released last month found that a majority also of them don't consider him worthy of a second term.

## HOROSCOPES

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Thursday, Feb. 27, 2014:

This year you often feel like your imagination could be your enemy, as you might have a difficult time focusing on conversations. You inadvertently could trigger your creative process, so keep a notebook handy to jot down your ideas. Use care around machinery, as you are likely to be distracted. If you are single, you suddenly might think that you have met "the one." Avoid putting this person on a pedestal. If you are attached, your rose-colored glasses could add more magic to your bond. Forget long-distance vacations this year. AQUARIUS is your natural healer.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** An important get-together or meeting will define your mood, and therefore your plans, for the day. Unexpected developments might encourage you to be more spontaneous as well. You could have a lengthy conversation with a dear friend.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** Know that all eyes are on you. As a result, people could get an indirect lesson in how to approach the boss. Stay centered when dealing with an associate or close loved one who seems to be even colder than usual.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** Listen to news with an open mind. Seek out more information by finding people who are more knowledgeable or experienced. Make an appointment for a checkup at the dentist in the near future.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** Remain playful. A discussion with a partner will point to a dramatic shift in activity. You need variety in terms of focus and energy; otherwise, you could become bored and moodier because of a lack of excitement.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** Others will present unusual ideas that could force you to think past typical boundaries. Your sixth sense will come out when dealing with today's issues. How you see a friend or loved one could change as the result of these intense discussions.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** You have high energy working with your solid focus. Meetings right now will be important in paving your path to success. Someone will push you hard; this person feels as if his or her ideas are better. Avoid a fight or a difficult interaction, if possible.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)** You might want to understand what is happening around you, yet you could find others to be evasive. Avoid getting angry with a loved one. Make a point to relax, and you will find the answers you're looking for. Curb a tendency to be possessive.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)** Pressure seems to build around a family member or a domestic matter. Suppressing your irritation on a regular basis could backfire, as you are likely to make yourself sick or so angry that you won't be able to speak in an effective manner.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)** You will be full of energy. A conversation could start up out of the blue, and you might hear a lot more than you are ready for. It would be wise to think through a personal matter more deeply in order to understand what you want.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** Ask an important question regarding the results of a recent conversation. A partner or close friend will be full of facts and suggestions. Sometimes this person is a well of information. Listen carefully to what he or she has to say.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)** You have a lot to do, but you also have the energy to meet your responsibilities. Be careful with machinery and electrical equipment, as you could be distracted by the many thoughts in your mind. New information might filter through in a strange way.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)** You'll gain a new understanding because of recent conversations and new insights. Still, you might want to keep this to yourself, as your thoughts will continue to evolve. What you think now could change radically.

## PETS

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The shelter used to have a rescue coordinator who had other assigned duties. While the need for a full-time rescue coordinator is critical, according to officials, they also state increasing spay and neutering programs also will cut down on the number of animals that come through the shelter.

Linda Coletta, a concerned citizen who is also president of Hound Haven, a dog rescue organization, said because there was nobody doing rescue coordinating at the shelter late last year, the number of animals sent to rescue organizations as a whole declined by 10 percent to 2,247.

"They desperately need a full-time rescue coordinator to help get these animals out to rescue so they are not put to sleep," she said.

The coordinator, "allows more animals to be 'adoptable' by getting them out of the shelter before they become aggressive, sick or depressed," Coletta added.

Without a full-time rescue coordinator, the communication is not as clear as it could be between rescue groups and the county, said Cyn-di Nason, who manages Lake's shelter. The rescue groups are vital to the shelter, Nason noted.

Indeed, according to statistics from the Animal Services department, 22 percent of adoptable dogs in 2013 were sent to rescue organizations.

"They can put the animals in foster homes and out of the kennels," Nason said. "Shelters are stressful. It is certainly expensive to keep dogs here."

The number of non-adoptable pets increased by 616 in 2013, county officials said.

"We are holding dogs longer and they are getting sicker in the shelter," said Brian Sheahan, director of the Department of Community Safety and Compliance and Nason's boss.

Several county commissioners said they understood the need for the full-time rescue coordinator position, but at the same time, were concerned about budget constraints this year. If the position were to be funded, County Manager David Heath said it would have to come out of reserves.

Commissioner Welton Cadwell said he could point to several social services programs where you could fund positions that would also save the county money.

"If we are going to

have the (coordinator) discussion, I am going to have trouble with all the other needs we have out there," he said.

But Campione said these were two different situations.

"The reality is, it is something we could do today and we could save money on immediately," she said.

Commissioner Sean Parks said while he supported Campione's request, at the same time, he said it is important to pursue more spay and neutering programs. He added that he wanted more information on the position and its impact.

"I certainly recognize animals are being euthanized on a daily basis as indicated earlier," he said. "I don't want to see that happen. I think we should act as quickly as we can."

In October 2013, the county implemented a spay and neutering rebate program, where residents can fill out the paperwork at animal services to receive a \$50 rebate if they spay or neuter an animal.

There were 884 animals euthanized in 2013, compared with 1,059 in 2012, according to Sheahan.

Nason said the shelter is able to treat more illnesses, reducing the number of animals that have to be put down.

"Just because a dog starts to cough, doesn't mean it is going to be euthanized," she said. "Just because it has heart worms, does not mean it will be euthanized."

Overall, 15 percent of dogs were euthanized in 2013, while statistics were not available for the number of cats, according to animal services officials.

Further, the number of adoptable dogs euthanized have also been reduced substantially, from 25 percent in 2009 to 2 percent in 2013, according to Sheahan.

Tyler Stover, community outreach coordinator director for the Halifax Humane Society, which handles animal services for most of Volusia County, said its full-time rescue coordinator has been vital at the organization.

"We have been able to reach out much further to find homes for animals that we never could have before," he said.

Bryan Williams, South Lake Community Foundation executive director, who previously served as chief financial officer of Halifax Humane Society, agreed.

With the full-time position, "we saw a significant increase in the number of animals that went to the rescue groups."



## FLORIDA LOTTERY

FEB. 26

<b>CASH 3</b> .....	1-2-2
Afternoon.....	8-3-1
<b>PLAY 4</b> .....	0-4-1-1
Afternoon.....	3-3-8-1

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<b>FANTASY 5</b> .....	14-16-20-32-34
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## BUSHNELL

# Sumter woman dies in single-car crash

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A Sumter County woman has died after crashing her vehicle into a tree Tuesday.

Shelia Stevens King, of Bushnell, died overnight at Bayonet Point Regional Medical Center in Pasco County, according to the Florida Highway Patrol. King was 69.

According to a preliminary FHP report, the accident occurred just before 5 p.m. as King was traveling south on County Road 623, about 1.5 miles south of County Road 476 in Bushnell. While going around a curve, she lost control of her 2000 Ford Expedition and collided with a barbed wire fence, then with a tree. Upon striking the tree, the Ford flipped and came to rest on its roof.

The woman received critical injuries and was airlifted to the hospital.

The report adds that King was wearing a seatbelt. Troopers do not believe alcohol was a factor, but the investigation is ongoing.

## BRIDGE

### Killing Defense

East dealer.  
North-South vulnerable.

**NORTH**  
♠ A 8 4 3  
♥ A K Q J 6  
♦ 10 2  
♣ K 9

**WEST**  
♠ K 9 2  
♥ 9 8 5 4 3  
♦ K  
♣ A J 4 2

**EAST**  
♠ 5  
♥ 7 2  
♦ A Q J 9 8 7 4 3  
♣ 6 3

**SOUTH**  
♠ Q J 10 7 6  
♥ 10  
♦ 6 5  
♣ Q 10 8 7 5

The bidding:  
East South West North  
4 ♠ Pass Pass 4 ♥  
Pass Pass Dbble Pass  
Pass 4 ♣ Dbble Redble

Opening lead — king of diamonds.  
Until they split up a few years ago, Bob Hamman and Bobby Wolff were generally regarded as one of the best pairs in the world. Together they had a magnificent record in national and world championships, deriving their success from a style that discarded simple bidding and technical perfection.

Here is an example of how well they played together. The deal occurred in the 1978 Reisinger team championship, which their team won

handily. Wolff, East, opened with four diamonds, a pre-emptive bid aimed mostly at making it difficult for North-South to enter the auction.

After two passes, North bid four hearts. When this rolled around to Hamman, he doubled. South retreated to four spades, which Hamman also doubled and North redoubled. The bidding then ground to a halt, and Hamman led the king of diamonds.

It did not take Wolff long to find the killing defense. He overtook the king of diamonds with the ace, cashed the queen of diamonds, West discarding a low club, and then led a third diamond, deliberately handing declarer a ruff-and-discard.

This Greek gift did not help South at all. In fact, he now had to go down one regardless of what he did. If he discarded a club, Hamman would ruff with the nine of spades to guarantee himself a trump trick that would sink the contract.

And if South ruffed the jack of diamonds with the ten of spades, which is what he actually did, he would still go down after Hamman discarded a heart on the trick. By discarding, Hamman assured that his K-9-2 of spades would produce a trump trick in one way or another, and this trick, together with the ace of clubs, eventually set the contract.

Tomorrow: Test your play.

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# State & Region

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## Area Briefs

### EUSTIS

#### Lake Dalhousie boat ramp closed for repairs

The Lake Dalhousie boat ramp, 37987 Burhans Rd., is closed for repairs through Wednesday.

The boat ramp is maintained by the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, and maintenance of the adjacent parking lot and property is managed by the Lake County Parks and Trails Division.

For information, call 352-253-4950 or email parksandtrails@lake-countyfl.gov.

### LEESBURG

#### Saturday Morning Market to host Relay for Life Day

Saturday is Relay for Life Day at the downtown market with teams from local relays on-site to raise funds for their events. A stretcher race and other activities are scheduled throughout the day.

Market vendors will be on-site offering produce and other items, and live entertainment will be provided by Tommy Treadway.

For information, go to www.leesburgsaturdaymorningmarket.com.

### UMATILLA

#### FWC will hold meetings on managing bears

The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission will hold two local public meetings in the area throughout March to discuss the conservation and management of black bears.

The meetings will allow the public to offer input on local bear issues. Interested parties may sign up to be active members of the Central Bear Stakeholder Group.

Meetings will be held from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at: Olde Mill Stream RV Resort, 1000 N. Central Ave., in Umatilla, on March 6 and Howard Middle School cafeteria, 1655 N.W. 10th St., in Ocala, on March 11.

For information, go to www.myFWC.com/Bear or call 352-620-7335.

### MOUNT DORA

#### Library to host Downton Abbey dessert tea

Downton Abbey fans are welcome to take part in the Downton Abbey Dessert Tea event at the W.T. Bland Public Library at 1 p.m. on Saturday. Guests can chat with other fans and participate in a test to see what character they are most like.

A prize will be awarded for best hat of the era, 1912-1920s.

Tickets are \$5 each and can be purchased at the library circulation desk, at 1995 N. Donnelly St. Seats are limited.

Call 352-735-7180, option 5 for information.

### LEESBURG

#### Partnership offers February Free Movie Night

The Leesburg Partnership will offer its monthly free family feature film under the stars at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, with "Percy Jackson: Sea of Monsters."

Concessions will also be available. For information, go to www.movi-enight.leesburgpartnership.com.

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### MOUNT DORA

## Man accused of firing rifle at store

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A Mount Dora man, allegedly armed with a rifle and upset with a store clerk for refusing to accept his bank card for the purchase of a bag of chips, was arrested after being accused of firing shots at the business.

Paul Levi Moore, 26, was

charged with two counts each of shooting into an occupied building and criminal mischief. He remained in the Lake County jail Wednesday afternoon in lieu of \$52,000 bail.

According to Mount Dora police, a store clerk at Rightway Foods on State Road 19A in Mount Dora reported that a man



MOORE

came into the store just after 9 p.m. Friday night and wanted a bag of chips. It not clear how much the chips were, but the clerk said the man got upset when he was told he needed a minimum purchase

of \$5 to use his bank card. The two got into an argument, and afterward the man allegedly threw a rock through the store's window and left.

The store clerk added around 11 p.m. he heard gunshots. When he came out the door, he noticed the outside light had been shot

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AP PHOTO

Protesters observe five minutes of silence with their fists in the air during a Day of Outrage and Remembrance for Trayvon Martin and Jordan Davis near the Five Points MARTA station on Wednesday in Atlanta.

## Fla. stand your ground law focus of March rally

TAMARA LUSH  
Associated Press

TAMPA — The parents of slain teen Jordan Davis said Wednesday they will join the parents of slaying victim Trayvon Martin and the widow of a man shot to death in a Florida movie theater to talk with legislators in Tallahassee about the state's so-called stand your ground law.

Ron Davis and Lucia McBath said they plan to visit Tallahassee on March 10 for a rally to protest the law.

Their son was shot by Michael Dunn, a white software developer, in Jacksonville in November 2012. Dunn was convicted earlier this month on multiple counts of attempted murder for shooting into a carful of teenagers out-

side a convenience store. Jordan Davis, a black teen, was killed in the shooting, but the jury couldn't reach a verdict on the first-degree murder charge against Dunn. A mistrial was declared on that count.

Davis and McBath say they will be joined by the parents of Trayvon Martin,

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### EUSTIS

## GeorgeFest set for this weekend

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Carnival gates open this afternoon in Eustis as part of this weekend's GeorgeFest celebration.

The carnival kicks off in the downtown area at 5 p.m. The gates open at 5 p.m. Friday as well, with a 7 to 10 p.m. performance by a Billy Joel tribute band called Turnstiles in the Alice B. McCLeland Memorial Bandshell.

On Saturday, a dog jog is slated for 9:30 a.m. followed by a parade at 10 a.m. Events are scheduled throughout the day, with entertainment from 1 to 10 p.m. on two stages in downtown Eustis, according to a listing provided by the Lake Eustis Area Chamber of Commerce. Having two stages is something new for the second oldest festival in the nation celebrating George Washington's

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### CLERMONT

## Firefighters honored for sinkhole rescues

Staff Report

Two Lake County firefighters and a lieutenant recently were honored for their service in rescuing dozens of people from a resort building that collapsed into a Clermont-area sinkhole last year.

Lake County firefighters Carlos Herrera and Matthew Barton, and Lt. Jeremy Hendrix, received plaques at Eustis Elks Lodge 1578 during its annual banquet recognizing top local law enforcement and fire rescue personnel.

The three were stationed at Fire Station 112 in Four Corners on Aug. 11 and were first on the scene helping residents evacuate a three-story structure at the Summer Bay Resort as it partially collapsed into a large sinkhole.

"Their actions that evening rose to the highest standards of Lake County firefighters," Lake County Public Safety Fire Chief John Jolliff said in a press release. "I am proud of each of them."

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PHOTO COURTESY OF LAKE COUNTY

From left are Lake County Firefighters Carlos Herrera and Matthew Barton, Lt. Jeremy Hendrix and Lake County Public Safety Fire Chief John Jolliff.

### BUSHNELL

## Long police chase ends in swamp

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A seven-hour search in a Sumter County swamp for a man wanted in Pasco County ended late Tuesday after a resident spotted the suspect in her heated greenhouse.

Herbert Haley Boltin III, 37, remained in the Sumter County jail Wednesday morning on charges of fleeing and eluding, resisting arrest and violating probation. He is being held without bond.

A spokeswoman for the Hernando County Sheriff's Office said deputies there were trying to make contact with Boltin on Tuesday regarding active warrants from Dixie County. He allegedly ran from deputies, jumped in a car and refused to stop when they tried to pull him over.

The pursuit went into Sumter County.

According to Lt. Bobby Caruthers, spokesman for the Sumter County Sheriff's Office, at some point Boltin got out and fled on foot. Afterward, a resident reported that a man stopped by their home to use the phone to call someone to pick him up. Caruthers said that call led to a search of the Green Swamp, just south of Tarrytown.

A six- to seven-hour search — which included K-9s, multiple law enforcement officers and at least one helicopter — failed to turn up the suspect. However, about 10 p.m., Caruthers said another resident reported

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## IN MEMORY

### DEATH NOTICES

#### Maxinia Edwards

Maxinia Edwards, 63, of Orlando passed away on February 19, 2014. Anderson-Hence Funeral Home, Wildwood.

#### Robert J. Grayford

Robert J. Grayford, 80, of Clermont, died Tuesday, February 25, 2014. Harden/Pauli Funeral Home.

#### Max E. Love

Max E. Love, 79, of Fruitland Park, died Tuesday, February 25, 2014. Beyers Funeral Home and Crematory, Leesburg, FL.

#### Alvin James Nesbitt

Alvin James Nesbitt, 71, of Tavares, FL passed away on Tuesday, February 25, 2014. Steverson, Hamlin & Hilbish Funerals and Cremations, Tavares, FL.

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seeing Boltin in his "hot house," a heated greenhouse, citing he was there because it was cold.

Law enforcement was able to arrest Boltin at the home.

## RALLY

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a 17-year old black teen who was shot and killed by George Zimmerman in Sanford in February 2012. Zimmerman was acquitted in 2013.

Like Zimmerman, Dunn said he felt his life was in danger when he fired the shots. Florida's stand your ground law was technically not part of either trial, but

Davis and McBath say the grey areas in the law, and in the self-defense law, should be clarified and that's why they are marching in Tallahassee.

Also joining the parents will be Nicole Oulson, the widow of a man shot and killed in a Tampa movie theater in January, Davis said. The man accused of killing Chad Oulson is a retired Tampa Police captain who said he feared for his life.

## FEST

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birthday.

"Having stages in the downtown this year will increase pedestrian presence to the downtown merchants as well as the vendors, allowing more connectivity between the carnival and the downtown core," Richard Hoon, assistant to the city manager for community relations, said in an email.

There are six musical performers scheduled on the two stages, including Bobby Blackmon, Liquid Jade, Garrett Miles, 360, The Malones and Black Canvas.

A service by Epiphany Celebration Anglican Church is scheduled for 10 a.m. Sunday. The carnival gates open again at noon on Sunday and close at 5 p.m.

Hoon said the city is proud of hosting the oldest George Washington birthday bash in Florida.

"It means a lot in terms of tradition, historic value and hometown pride," he said.

This year's festival theme is It's a Grand Old Flag. The Lake Eustis Area Chamber of Commerce and the city of Eustis are sponsoring the event, which is free to the public, with the exception of carnival rides and vendor items.

## HONORS

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the three-story structure collapsed into the 100-foot sinkhole, Lake County Fire Rescue Battalion Chief Tony Cuelar said at the time. The resort is at 17805 U.S. Highway 192, a half-mile east of U.S. Highway 27 and about 10 miles west of Disney World.

"It was like crack, crack, boom," guest Alma Villa Nueva told reporters on the scene of the building collapse. "Then the building started sinking a little. Then again, a crack, crack, boom and it sinking lower."

All 105 guests staying in the villa were evacuated, as were those in the neighboring buildings. No injuries were reported.

Randy Jones, battalion chief with Lake County Fire Rescue, called the sinkhole the worst he'd seen in Florida in his more than 30 years in emergency services.

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## SHOOTING

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out by who he believed was the same customer. Police added a witness said he heard between five and six shots and then noticed a man with a rifle come from behind the store.

The witnesses said he checked the store, but found the doors were locked.

The store clerk and witness gave police a description of the suspect, the sports utility vehicle he was in, as well as a description of the woman driving the vehicle. Police were able to track down the SUV and arrested Moore.

The woman was not charged.

# Arizona governor vetoes 'religious freedom' bill

**BOB CHRISTIE**  
Associated Press

PHOENIX — Gov. Jan Brewer on Wednesday vetoed a Republican bill that set off a national debate over gay rights, religion and discrimination and subjected Arizona to blistering criticism from major corporations and political leaders from both parties.

Loud cheers erupted outside the Capitol building immediately after Brewer made her announcement.

"My agenda is to sign into law legislation that advances Arizona," Brewer said at a news conference. "I call them

like I seem them despite the tears or the boos from the crowd. After weighing all the arguments, I have vetoed Senate Bill 1062 moments ago."

The governor said she gave the legislation careful deliberation in talking to her lawyers, citizens and lawmakers on both sides of the debate.

But Brewer said the bill "could divide Arizona in ways we could not even imagine and no one would ever want." The bill was broadly worded and could result in unintended negative consequences, she added.

The bill backed by Republicans in the Legislature was

designed to give added protection from lawsuits to people who assert their religious beliefs in refusing service to gays. But opponents called it an open attack on gays that invited discrimination.

The bill thrust Arizona into the national spotlight last week after both chambers of the state legislature approved it. As the days passed, more and more groups, politicians and average citizens weighed in against Senate Bill 1062. Many took to social media to criticize the bill, calling it an attack on gay and lesbian rights.

Prominent Phoenix business groups said it would

be another black eye for the state that saw a national backlash over its 2010 immigration-crackdown law, SB1070, and warned that businesses looking to expand into the state may not do so if bill became law.

Companies such as Apple Inc. and American Airlines and politicians including GOP Sen. John McCain and former Republican presidential nominee were among those who urged Brewer to veto the legislation.

Brewer was under intense pressure to veto the bill, including from three Republicans who had voted for the bill

last week. They said in a letter to Brewer that while the intent of their vote "was to create a shield for all citizens' religious liberties, the bill has been mischaracterized by its opponents as a sword for religious intolerance."

SB 1062 allows people to claim their religious beliefs as a defense against claims of discrimination. Backers cite a New Mexico Supreme Court decision that allowed a gay couple to sue a photographer who refused to document their wedding, even though the law that allowed that suit doesn't exist in Arizona.

## GALLERY

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who passed away in 2007 at age 33. Mason owned a home décor art gallery in Mount Dora and rented an adjacent building to teach art and art history to kids.

"I think she would be proud," Strimenos said of the gallery's inaugural opening last week at 103 E. Main St. The first exhibit features the creative works of Van Galyon and Russ Bellamy, both art professors at Beacon, known as the nation's only accredited four-year college for students with learning disabilities and ADHD.

The art professors' works will remain on display during the Leesburg Art Festival, March 8-9, and visitors also may tour the gallery from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sundays.

Galyon's bold paintings hang on the walls of the new gallery, while Bellamy has striking metal sculpture pieces and glassworks. Back rooms of the building feature classrooms and art studios for students.



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One of the art classrooms for Beacon College art students in the building of the new Kristin Michelle Mason Art Gallery in downtown Leesburg.

Strimenos recalled hearing that Beacon College's art program needed financial support a few years back and, while meeting Galyon, she was awestruck by a Beacon student's painting that resembled her daughter's artwork.

"Here was this big eye with flowing red hair," Strimenos said of the piece, noting her daughter had long, dark auburn hair. The mother said she had chills when she learned the Beacon art student was also named Kristin.

From that moment, a bond with Beacon College was formed.

"The Gail and Peter Strimenos family in

Leesburg has been very instrumental in helping us get the art department going," said Galyon, praising their support. "They have dedicated their energy and money to the program over the last few years."

"We built the gallery as an educational tool to show students and the community kind of current trends in contemporary art," added Bellamy. "This is the first exhibition and it has been great. We had a huge turnout at the reception and everybody seems real excited about what we are doing."

Future exhibits at

the gallery will feature works by Beacon's art students.

Galyon is thrilled Beacon now offers an arts major, a significant sign of growth from when he came to the college in 1990 and taught the only art class — art appreciation — once a week.

"This has been slowly building over time, and now we have the numbers to where we can sustain a major," Galyon said. "And within the population of learning disabled individuals, you will find that there is a high correlation with people who are talented and really high functioning

in the arts."

The professor is pleased gifted art students will be able to showcase their talent.

"Now they will be able to be fully engaged and a part of the community that is larger than themselves," Galyon said. "I am happy and excited to be a part of this. I think that it is going to grow. We want to be highly competitive as a place of art and be competing with larger colleges and universities as far as quality and the like."

The college has nine art majors and will have its first graduating art student at the end of this semester with a degree in fine arts — a bachelor's in studio arts — and the school will have an end-of-the-year show featuring the art students.

"We weren't able to say until a few months ago that we actually had a major, because we

had to wait for accreditation to come through, and until that point, we couldn't even announce it," Galyon said.

The art major isn't the only thing new at Beacon. Dr. George Haggerty on Friday was inaugurated as the college's new president and said he not only wants to double enrollment in the next 10 years — from 185 students to between 400 and 500 — but also has plans for some new and renovated buildings in Leesburg like the gym turned art gallery.

Galyon believes the art program will continue to grow.

"We'll invite folks in who are doing high-caliber works so that our students are exposed to it and get to meet those people and interact with them and see their arts," Galyon said. "We haven't been able to do that at this level before."

## TICKETS

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ensure they aren't losing money will go away," Mantzaris said. "There may or may not be enough money at the end of the contract to pay for the cameras, so it adds that risk element."

The six red light cameras went live in early January at troublesome intersections in the city. But, almost immediately, motorists began to complain that they were being unfairly ticketed for making right turns on red.

City officials expressed concerns as well, noting that about 90 percent of all the 3,000-plus citations issued have been for right turns. Their concerns only grew when Police Chief Charles Broadway reviewed 59 right-turn violations and overturned 51.

Gray said he thinks he can convince ATS to delay installing any other cameras until the city resolves its concerns. He added that ATS representatives agreed that the percentage of tickets being issued for right-turn violations is "kind of high."

"It's only in its first month, so we'll have to wait and see how it goes

from here, but they (ATS) did express to me that the 80-90 percent (of tickets issued for right turns) was a high amount for a city," he said.

Gray also reiterated that he has asked Broadway to review every right-turn violation — approximately 3,000 — sent out from Jan 3 to Feb. 11.

As the city wrestles with implementing the cameras successfully, the Florida Legislature is expected in the upcoming session to consider limiting or banning red-light cameras statewide. Gray believes a clause in the city's contract would let them out of it.

Mantzaris, however, voiced some doubt.

"There's concern whether the new legis-

lature can legally affect existing contracts that would otherwise be legal without the new laws," he said.

Councilman Ray Goodgame said he'd talked to Senator Alan Hays and understood that any legislation would be specifically directed toward right turns on red.

Matthew Modica, a longtime resident of Clermont, expressed concern that the city is bound to the contract for three years and may even have to install the additional cameras as originally agreed. "I don't know what we can do about this. I'm concerned about adding 18 more cameras, and so I don't see a solution for this," Modica said.

Suzy Gibson, another

local resident and businesswoman, told the council she believes the city and citizens were "bamboozled" by ATS.

"I understand the City of Clermont needs to make a profit, but I urge you to do your research in the future. Right now, we're kind of stuck with it (contract) and we all got bamboozled and left asking, 'What are the consequences of our actions?'" Gibson said.

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# Israel takes risk with airstrike on Hezbollah

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Associated Press

JERUSALEM — Israel has opened a new front in its attempts to halt weapons smuggling to Hezbollah, striking one of the group's positions inside Lebanon for the first time since the sides fought a war eight years ago.

This week's airstrike, meant to prevent the Islamic militant group from obtaining sophisticated missiles, is part of a risky policy that could easily backfire by triggering retaliation. But at a time when the Syrian opposition says Hezbollah has been striking major blows for President Bashar Assad's government in neighboring Syria by ambushing al-Qaida-linked fighters there, it shows the strategic importance for Israel of trying to break the Syria-Hezbollah axis.

While Israeli experts agree that Israel would never want to help al-Qaida, in this case Israel and the

al-Qaida-linked fighters have as a common goal opposing Hezbollah and its alliance with the Syrian government. This puts them at least indirectly on the same side.

For now, the odds of a direct conflagration between Israel and Hezbollah appear low. The group has sent hundreds of fighters to Syria and is preoccupied with saving Assad's embattled regime. Syrian state media reported that army troops killed 175 rebels, many of them al-Qaida-linked fighters, near Damascus on Wednesday, but the Britain-based Syrian Observatory for Human Rights, a prominent opposition group, said it was Hezbollah forces that carried out the dawn ambush.

Israel considers both Hezbollah and the al-Qaida-linked Nusra Front to be grave threats. With a lack of good choices, Israel has avoided taking sides in the Syrian war, and in the short term, is content watching the two sides beat each other up.



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U.S. Army Pfc. Amy Alexanders dresses in her Marine Standard battle gear before taking part in a physical demands study in Ft. Stewart, Ga.

## Army study gives women taste of combat tasks

LOLITA C. BALDOR and RUSS BYNUM  
Associated Press

FORT STEWART, Ga. — Standing just over 5 feet, Army Spc. Karen Arvizu is barely a foot taller than the anti-tank missile she carries in both arms and loads into an armored vehicle. She stands on her tiptoes to wrestle open the 300-pound top hatch.

"I have to step on the seat to get the missile into the launcher," said Arvizu, a 24-year-old soldier from Los Angeles. "It's half my body weight."

Arvizu typically drives Humvees or transport trucks at Fort Stewart in Georgia, but for the past three weeks, she and 59 other women soldiers have been getting a taste of what it takes to serve in combat. By spending their days lifting 65-pound missiles and .50-caliber machine guns, all while wearing 70 pounds of body armor, they're helping make history as part of an Army study that will determine how all soldiers — including women, for the first time — will be deemed fit to join the front lines.

The Pentagon ordered last year that women must have the same opportunities to serve in combat jobs as men, with thousands of positions slated to open to both genders in 2016. And while an Army survey shows only a small fraction of women say they want to move into combat jobs, it also revealed soldiers from both genders are nervous about the change.

With roughly one in five Army positions considered combat-related, commanders are turning to science to find a unisex standard to judge which soldiers physically have the right stuff to fight wars.



U.S. Army PFC Amy Alexanders lifts a 65-pound T.O.W. missile through a hatch into a Bradley Fighting Vehicle.

Testing at Fort Stewart and other U.S. bases is breaking away from the Army's longtime standards for physical fitness — pushups, sit-ups and 2-mile runs — to focus instead on battlefield tasks, such as dragging a wounded comrade to safety or installing and removing the heavy barrel of the 25 mm gun mounted on Bradley vehicles.

David Brinkley, deputy chief of staff for operations at the Army's Training and Doctrine Command at Fort Eustis in Virginia, said some people think the Army is coming up with unrealistic requirements while others believe standards will be lower to let women fight on the front lines.

"We intend to do neither. That's why we based this on the actual thing you have to do," he said.

At Fort Stewart, a volunteer group of soldiers — 100 men and 60 women — are spending a month drilling on the most physically challenging tasks demanded of infantrymen, cavalry scouts, mortar launchers and tank crews.

In March, scientists from the Army's Research Institute for Environmental Medicine will have the troops perform those tasks while wearing heart rate monitors, masks that monitor oxygen intake and other

equipment to study the effects of their physical exertion.

One of the volunteers, Spc. Artrice Scott, said she has no intention of trading in her job as an Army cook to join an infantry platoon or an armor unit. But she sees the testing as a great opportunity to lead the way for women in the U.S. military.

"The heaviest thing we lift in the kitchen is boxes of frozen chicken, 45 pounds," said Scott, 29, of Mobile, Ala. "And you don't have to lift those over your head."

During a training session Tuesday, Scott shaved 45 seconds off her previous best time carrying two anti-tank missiles into a Bradley armored vehicle and loading them into the turret.

Army commanders say there are no doubts that women have the mental and technical abilities needed. Only their ability to perform the most arduous physical tasks has been questioned.

The survey released Tuesday found there were nagging stereotypes. Male soldiers fretted that their unit's readiness will be degraded because of what they term "women issues," such as pregnancy and menstrual cycles. Or they worried that women incapable of the physical demands would be brought in anyway.

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Crimean Tatars shout slogans during a protest in front of a local government building in Simferopol, Crimea, Ukraine, on Wednesday.

# Russia holds war games near Ukraine

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Associated Press

KIEV, Ukraine — Russia ordered 150,000 troops to test their combat readiness Wednesday in a show of force that prompted a blunt warning from the United States that any military intervention in Ukraine would be a “grave mistake.”

Vladimir Putin’s announcement of huge new war games came as Ukraine’s protest leaders named a millionaire former banker to head a new government after the pro-Russian president went into hiding.

The new government, which is expected to be formally approved by parliament Thursday, will face the hugely complicated task of restoring stability in a country that is not only deeply divided politically but on the verge of financial collapse. Its fugitive president, Viktor Yanukovich, fled the capital last week.

In Kiev’s Independence Square, the heart of the protest movement against Yanukovich, the interim leaders who seized control after he disappeared proposed Arseniy Yatsenyuk as the country’s new prime minister. The 39-year-old served as

economy minister, foreign minister and parliamentary speaker before Yanukovich took office in 2010, and is widely viewed as a technocratic reformer who enjoys the support of the U.S.

Across Ukraine, the divided allegiances between Russia and the West were on full display as fistfights broke out between pro- and anti-Russia protesters in the strategic Crimea peninsula.

Amid the tensions, Putin put the military on alert for massive exercises involving most of the military units in western Russia, and announced measures to tighten security at the headquarters of Russia’s Black Sea Fleet on Ukraine’s Crimea peninsula.

The maneuvers will involve some 150,000 troops, 880 tanks, 90 aircraft and 80 navy ships, and are intended to “check the troops’ readiness for action in crisis situations that threaten the nation’s military security,” Defense Minister Sergei Shoigu said in remarks carried by Russian news agencies.

The move prompted a sharp rebuke from U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry, who warned Russia against any military intervention in Ukraine.

“Any kind of military inter-

vention that would violate the sovereign territorial integrity of Ukraine would be a huge, a grave mistake,” Kerry told reporters in Washington. “The territorial integrity of Ukraine needs to be respected.”

In delivering the message, Kerry also announced that the Obama administration was planning \$1 billion in loan guarantees for Ukraine and would consider additional direct assistance for the former Soviet republic.

Still, Kerry insisted that U.S. policy was not aimed at reducing Russia’s influence in Ukraine or other former Soviet republics, but rather to see their people realize aspirations for freedom in robust democracies with strong economies.

“This is not ‘Rocky IV,’” Kerry said, referring to the 1985 Sylvester Stallone film in which an aging American boxer takes on a daunting Soviet musclemann. “It is not a zero-sum game. We do not view it through the lens of East-West, Russia-U.S. or anything else. We view it as an example of people within a sovereign nation who are expressing their desire to choose their future. And that’s a very powerful force.”

# Dempsey: Military has job despite talks

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BAGRAM AIR FIELD, Afghanistan — America’s top military officer said Wednesday the U.S. threat to withdraw all troops out of Afghanistan if no security pact is signed may encourage the enemy and lead some Afghan forces to align with the Taliban.

Army Gen. Martin Dempsey, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, said Tuesday’s announcement of President Barack Obama’s

order to begin planning for a total withdrawal also makes Afghan military leaders anxious and eats away at their troops’ confidence.

Speaking at the end of a long day of meetings with his commanders in Afghanistan, Dempsey said he wanted to make sure they knew there is still a lot of work to do this year, and that they can’t let worries about next year distract them.

Obama, frustrated with his Afghan counterpart, ordered Ha-

mid Karzai, ordered the Pentagon to accelerate planning for a full U.S. troop withdrawal from Afghanistan by the end of this year. But Obama is also holding out hope that Afghanistan’s next president may eventually sign a stalled security agreement that could prevent the U.S. from having to take that step.

Obama spoke Tuesday with Karzai, the first direct conversation between the two leaders since last June. The White House has become increasingly frustrated with Kar-

zai, who has refused to sign a security pact that the White House says is crucial to keeping a U.S. troop presence in Afghanistan after the war formally concludes at the end of this year.

In Afghanistan Wednesday, Dempsey said he was worried about the impact of withdrawal speculation on the enemy.

“It is having an effect on the enemy and in some ways I think encourages them, and intelligence supports that,” Dempsey told reporters.

# Northern Ireland leader threatens to quit over IRA

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DUBLIN — The leader of Northern Ireland’s government threatened to resign Wednesday because of revelations the British government supplied so-called “get out of jail free” letters to at least 187 Irish Republican Army fugitives as a secret part of peacemaking.

First Minister Peter Robinson said his British Protestant party, the Democratic Unionists, would never have formed a coalition with Sinn Fein, the IRA-linked party, in 2007 had Britain revealed it was giving guarantees to IRA veterans who fled to the Republic of Ireland. The letters promised recipients they no longer risked arrest when traveling into the United Kingdom, including Northern Ireland. Sinn Fein demanded the measure.

Robinson threatened to quit, saying his party couldn’t support a system that was letting IRA members off the hook for bombings and shootings in the four-decade Northern Ireland conflict, which claimed about 3,700 lives. If he resigns, it potentially could bring down the government, the central institution of Northern Ireland’s 1998 peace accord.

He accused British leaders of lying to him and other Protestant opponents of the IRA. “I want a full judi-

cial inquiry into all of these matters, so that we can see who knew, when they knew, and what they knew,” Robinson said. “I want to know who the 187 people are that received these letters, if indeed it is only 187 people, because I wouldn’t believe anything I hear any longer.”

Britain made the admission after a judge threw out charges against IRA veteran John Downey for the 1982 bombing of British ceremonial troops in London’s Hyde Park.

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## CLERMONT

# Uncle Matt's Organic expands juice line

Staff Report

Uncle Matt's Organic in Clermont is celebrating a decade and a half of creating 100 percent organic citrus juice by releasing two new varieties: orange mango and orange tangerine.

"We're proud to be celebrating 15 years of furthering our family's philosophy of growing healthy and nutritious crops using organic and sustainable farming methods," Matt McLean, CEO and founder of Uncle Matt's Organic, said in a press release "We're thrilled to be adding these two new flavors to our existing line of organic juice products."

The two new varieties complement the company's existing juice product line of orange, grapefruit, apple and lemonade.

Both of the new varieties are available at grocery retailers nationwide in 59-ounce



PHOTO COURTESY OF UNCLE MATT'S ORGANIC

**Workers sort citrus at Uncle Matt's Organic in Clermont. The company only produces nutritious crops using organic and sustainable farming methods.**

sizes with a suggested retail price of \$5.99.

Uncle Matt's Organic is a family-run business with expertise that dates back four generations.

"Uncle Matt's Organic believes that less toxins in the environment and less toxic residues are ultimately what is best for everybody, especially the food we consume," the press release said.

Just recently, Uncle

Matt's partnered with a supplement company to supply organic juice for a "grove to table" line of vitamin C products. MegaFood's product line will feature UltraC-400 and Complex C supplements, derived from the fruit grown by Uncle Matt's Organic, that are free of synthetic pesticides, herbicides and fertilizers.

To learn more visit [www.unclematts.com](http://www.unclematts.com).

# Target faces big costs related to security breach

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NEW YORK — History doesn't always repeat itself.

The hit to TJX Cos. was minimal after it disclosed in 2007 a massive data breach of customer information at its T.J. Maxx, Marshalls and HomeGoods stores.

But Target Corp. isn't faring as well: More than two months after it revealed that hackers stole credit card numbers and personal data of millions of its customers, Target's sales, profit and stock prices have dropped.

What's worse, the nation's second largest discounter faces the prospect that some shaken shoppers may not return to its stores for a long time. In fact, Target on Wednesday said it expects business to be muted for some time, though it said sales are recovering since the breach was disclosed in mid-December.

TJX declined to comment for this story, but

## CURRENCIES

Dollar vs.	Exchange Rate	Pvs Day
Yen	102.48	102.12
Euro	\$1.3684	\$1.3762
Pound	\$1.6663	\$1.6721
Swiss franc	0.8910	0.8861
Canadian dollar	1.1130	1.1082
Mexican peso	13.3372	13.2490

John Mulligan, Target's chief financial officer, told The Associated Press on Wednesday that the most loyal customers have stuck with Target, but wooing back others will take time.

"We need to remind people why they fell in love with Target," he said.

TJX found itself in the same situation years ago when it announced what was the largest security breach by a retailer at the time. Still, the fortunes of TJX Cos. and Target may wind up being quite different.

Although the data breaches at the two retailers each affected millions of shoppers, analysts say a combination of factors makes Target's chal-

lenge bigger. Those include the timing of each company's disclosure and Americans' heightened sensitivity toward privacy concerns now versus before the TJX breach.

The retailers' fates are playing out differently so far. TJX's stock slid 12 percent in the weeks after the breach disclosure to as low as \$13. But by the end of 2007, the shares rebounded and today, they're trading at about \$58.

Sales also weren't derailed in the breach's aftermath: Revenue at stores opened at least a year, an important retail measurement, were up a better-than-expected 4 percent for the year following the breach.

Meanwhile, Target said on Wednesday that its profit in the fourth quarter fell 46 percent on a revenue decline of 5.3 percent as the breach scared off customers worried about the security of their private data. Revenue at stores open at least a year fell 2.5 percent.

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# Obama's Massive \$100M Brain Research Initiative Targets Memory Loss

*Drug-free memory discovery yields 'shocking' results in clinical trial; restores brainpower equal to those up to 15 years younger, all within 30 days!*

PHOENIX, ARIZONA —

For readers who fret about their less-than-perfect memory, or worry about steadily worsening mental powers, your life is about to change.

Thanks to President Obama's massive \$100 million B.R.A.I.N. initiative, millions of frustrated Americans who not only lose their car keys, but also forget where they have parked may soon have real, lasting relief.

## Science Attacks Memory Loss

The multi-year program called Brain Research through Advancing Innovative Neurotechnologies, or BRAIN, will as part of its initiative, target the symptoms premature mental decline, including poor memory, the inability to maintain focus and concentration, mental fatigue, and brain fog.

It has been called the "next great American project," drawing comparisons to the wildly successful 1990 scientific discovery initiative, the Human Genome Project.

Over an estimated ten-year period, Brain Research scientists will "map" the human brain in an unprecedented quest to unravel its mysteries.

## What's the Catch?

What President Obama and administration officials failed to tell Americans is that, for many, they don't have to spend \$100 million or wait ten-plus years for a fix for their foggy, forgetful mind.

In fact, evidence of a genuine, clinically tested, real, memory pill is here, now.

## Real Memory Pill Exists!

A US-based research firm, Brain Research Labs, has developed and conducted successful human testing on a genuine memory pill.

Over a period of a few weeks in a landmark, randomized,

double-blind, placebo-controlled clinical trial, published in a peer-reviewed journal, scientists observed the formula helping older brains function more youthfully.

In many cases, the formula allowed users to match the memory recall speed and brainpower of those up to 15 years younger, all within a 30-day time period.



'Pharmacist of the Year,' Dr. Gene Steiner, recommends a patented, natural memory compound

It's no secret either. The US Patent and Trademark Office has granted the drug-free natural formula a United States patent.

Over the years, the sophisticated three-part formulation has gained the trust of medical doctors, a top clinical pharmacist, and is even a recommended component in an updated version of a legendary Medicare-reimbursed brain health protocol.

Preventive Gerontologist, Dr. Arnold Bresky, the man responsible for the Medicare-reimbursed brain tune-up protocol recommends this prescription-free memory compound as an integral part of his new *Four Pillars of Brain Health* program.

With more than 45 years behind a pharmacist's counter, and 25 years in a radio show booth, if Dr. Gene Steiner had a nickel for every time someone asked, "Do you have anything that can improve my memory," he would be a rich man today.

## A Crystal-Clear Memory

It's a question he's heard many times. "This natural memory pill is to an aging, sluggish brain, what a breath of fresh air is to your lungs," he says.

Before prescribing the pill to patients, Dr. Steiner decided to first try it himself.

"Within a few days, I can tell you without reservation that my memory became crystal clear," he says.

"I had such marvelous results that I not only started recommending it to my customers, I even shared it with other physicians!"

## A Pharmacy Best-Seller

"It became the best-selling brain health product in my pharmacy and customers were returning to thank me for introducing them to it."

"It felt great to see so many people whose lives were enriched by taking a simple, natural formula."

"With this simple, drug-free formula, we finally have something that we can recommend that is safe and effective. And you don't need a prescription either!"

Recently, Dr. Steiner relocated to another state and was apprehensive about taking the state board of pharmacy jurisprudence examination, a daunting examination that tests a candidate's mastery of pharmacy law.

"I began taking the natural memory compound for two weeks prior to the test, and I passed with flying colors!" "The recall I personally experienced was fantastic," says Steiner.

"It's a unique process," he adds, "that pumps the brain full of energizing oxygen, helping improve blood circulation to the brain, while helping to boost key neurotransmitters in the

brain responsible for cognitive functioning."

Alternative medicine pioneer, and retired medical school professor, Dr. Robert Heller, personally uses and recommends the formula.

## Perks Up Tired, Sluggish Brains

"It's not a drug," smiles Dr. Heller, "it's a nutritional supplement that can help a foggy, sluggish brain become sharper, quicker, and healthier."

Head and neck surgeon and psychologist, Paul Nemiroff, PhD, MD, FACS, agrees, adding, "It is truly an amazing breakthrough for memory!"

Kasey L.\* from Olathe, Kansas says, "I was having trouble finding words in my brain and remembering things. Now I am as sharp as a tack and I have a memory like an elephant. I will never stop taking it."

Grace K.\* of Alabama was in the same boat.



Many are asking the question, does the government's \$100 million scientific discovery initiative ignore the existence of a patented memory restorer?

"I was having concentration problems and difficulty remembering things. After only one week, I felt mentally energized and more confident in myself! Now, I enjoy reading again. I've regained confidence in myself!"

Crossword puzzle fanatic, Bobby D.\* from western Nevada can't say enough about his super-fast mental abilities.

"Working four crossword puzzles in the morning paper, quicker, has amazed me with the answers



On April 11, 2013, President Barack Obama announced a ten-year, \$100 million brain research project.

just popping into my head! I stand outside myself and wonder where those answers come from!"

Anyone who has ever stood in front of a crowd and then, forgot what they were about to say, knows the horror of "drawing a blank." Professional speaker Sylvia, P.\* from California found Brain Research Labs' memory discovery just in time.

"I started having a hard time staying focused and remembering important information."

"As a professional speaker in front of hundreds of people, I found these senior moments very embarrassing. Plus, it was threatening my career. Since taking this, I can now conduct a whole seminar without relying on my notes. I feel like my old self again!"

You don't have to spend million of dollars or wait ten years to do what Brain Research Labs has already done for you. If you are ready to do something about your mind and memory, here's your risk-free chance.

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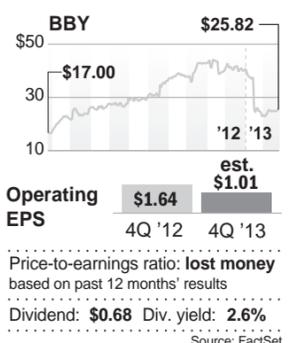
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### Back in the black?

Wall Street predicts that Best Buy returned to a profit in its fourth fiscal quarter. That would be a repeat performance for the electronics retailer, which swung to a profit in the third quarter, thanks partly to cost-cutting. Investors will be looking at how much of a boost Best Buy got from holiday season sales. The retailer reports its latest quarterly earnings today.



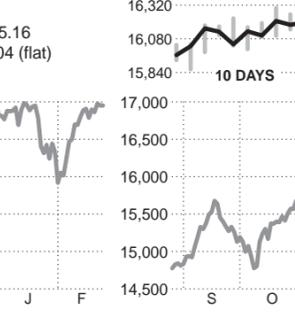
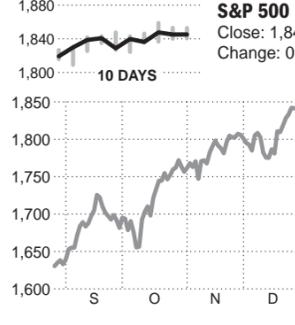
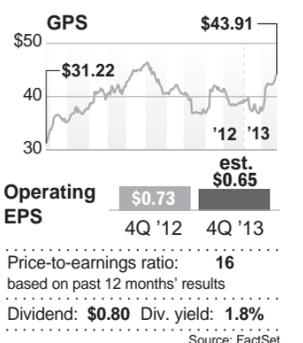
### Burger time

Wendy's has been renovating its restaurants to make them more inviting and rolling out more menu items. The strategy appears to be working for the company, which is due to report fourth-quarter earnings today. In the third quarter, Wendy's trimmed its loss as more customers snapped up offerings at its restaurants, including new menu offerings such as its Pretzel Bacon Cheeseburger and Pretzel Pub Chicken sandwich.



### Discount drag?

Gap reports its financial results for the fourth quarter today. The retailer, which operates chains including Old Navy, Banana Republic and its namesake stores, is expected to post lower earnings and revenue than in the same quarter a year earlier. Like many retailers, Gap had to slash prices during the holiday season to lure shoppers.



### Operating EPS

Company	4Q '12	4Q '13
Operating EPS	\$1.64	est. \$1.01

### Price-to-earnings ratio: lost money

Company	4Q '12	4Q '13
Price-to-earnings ratio	16	est. 16

### Dividend

Company	4Q '12	4Q '13
Dividend	\$0.68	est. \$0.80

### Operating EPS

Company	4Q '12	4Q '13
Operating EPS	\$0.73	est. \$0.65

### Stocks Recap

NYSE	NASD
Vol. (in mil.)	3,536
Pvs. Volume	3,409
Advanced	1,840
Declined	1,233
New Highs	178
New Lows	22

Company	High	Low	Close	Chg.	%Chg.	YTD
DOW	16252.35	16155.86	16198.41	+18.75	+0.12%	-2.28%
DOW Trans.	7325.13	7255.58	7273.20	-18.46	-0.25%	-1.27%
DOW Util.	522.12	516.99	517.70	-3.09	-0.59%	+5.53%
NYSE Comp.	10386.49	10328.09	10349.96	-3.82	-0.04%	-0.48%
NASDAQ	4316.82	4278.54	4292.06	+4.47	+0.10%	+2.76%
S&P 500	1852.65	1840.66	1845.16	+0.04	...	-0.17%
S&P 400	1373.34	1361.19	1367.69	+6.64	+0.49%	+1.87%
Wilshire 5000	19892.88	19768.73	19818.98	+23.19	+0.12%	+0.57%
Russell 2000	1188.06	1173.91	1181.72	+7.77	+0.66%	+1.55%

### Stocks of Local Interest

NAME	TICKER	52-WK RANGE	LO	HI	CLOSE	CHG	%CHG	WK	MO	QTR	%CHG	1YR	P/E	DIV
AT&T Inc	T	31.74	39.00	32.00	-1.7	-0.5	▼	▼	▼	▼	-9.0	-3.4	10	1.84f
Advance Auto Parts	AAP	75.62	129.10	125.79	+2.9	+0.2	▲	▲	▲	▲	+13.7	+60.5	22	0.24
Amer Express	AXP	61.51	93.62	89.73	-1.8	-0.2	▲	▲	▲	▲	-1.1	+46.4	18	0.92
AutoNation Inc	AN	40.30	54.49	52.83	-1.8	+1.5	▲	▲	▲	▲	+6.3	+20.8	18	...
Brown & Brown	BRO	27.76	35.13	29.44	-1.7	-0.6	▼	▼	▼	▼	-6.2	+2.8	20	0.40
CocaCola Co	KO	36.83	43.43	37.87	-1.0	+0.3	▲	▲	▲	▲	-8.3	+3.1	20	1.22f
Comcast Corp A	CMCSA	38.75	55.28	50.68	-0.9	-0.2	▼	▼	▼	▼	-2.5	+30.8	20	0.90f
Darden Rest A	DRI	44.78	55.25	50.00	-5.9	-1.2	▼	▼	▼	▼	-8.0	+16.6	18	2.20
Disney	DIS	53.59	81.59	80.08	-1.3	-0.2	▼	▼	▼	▼	+4.8	+51.3	22	0.86f
Gen Electric	GE	21.11	28.09	25.30	+0.3	+0.1	▲	▲	▲	▲	-9.7	+14.4	17	0.88
General Mills	GIS	45.42	53.07	49.66	-3.9	-0.8	▲	▲	▲	▲	+5.0	+13.4	18	1.52
Harris Corp	HRS	41.08	74.22	72.47	+2.0	+0.3	▲	▲	▲	▲	+3.8	+56.8	19	1.68
Home Depot	HD	63.82	82.57	81.70	+7.2	+0.9	▲	▲	▲	▲	-1.8	+29.1	22	1.88f
IBM	IBM	172.19	215.90	184.06	+8.3	+0.5	▲	▲	▲	▲	-0.9	-5.3	12	3.80
Lowes Cos	LWT	35.86	52.08	50.72	+2.61	+5.4	▲	▲	▲	▲	+2.4	+36.1	24	0.72
NY Times	NYT	8.71	16.14	15.73	-1.3	-0.8	▲	▲	▲	▲	-0.9	+74.6	39	0.16
NexEra Energy	NEE	71.42	94.04	90.46	-4.5	-0.5	▼	▼	▼	▼	+5.7	+30.6	21	2.90f
PepsiCo	PEP	74.53	87.06	78.65	-5.8	-0.7	▲	▲	▲	▲	-5.2	+8.4	18	2.27
Suntrust Bks	STI	26.93	40.21	37.36	+1.6	+0.4	▲	▲	▲	▲	+1.5	+38.8	14	0.40
TECO Energy	TE	16.12	19.22	16.65	-0.7	-0.4	▼	▼	▼	▼	-3.4	+4.1	18	0.88
WalMart Strs	WMT	70.44	81.37	74.78	+1.43	+1.9	▲	▲	▲	▲	-5.0	+6.8	15	1.92f
Xerox Corp	XRX	7.84	12.65	10.75	+0.8	+0.7	▲	▲	▲	▲	-11.7	+38.1	11	0.25f

### New York Stock Exchange

Name	Div	Last	Chg
ABB Ltd	78e	25.26	+0.03
ACE Ltd	2.14e	96.10	+0.43
ADT Corp	80f	30.90	+0.30
AES Corp	20	14.17	+0.12
AFLAC	1.48	62.60	+0.08
AGCO	44f	51.63	+0.38
AGL Res	1.96f	46.66	+0.22
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## When tinkering with our DNA, researchers should take it slow

The manipulation of human genes could lead to profound advances in our ability to cure or prevent terrible diseases. But in some cases, it might also mean introducing genetic material that could be passed from one generation to the next, changing the human gene pool in a manner that could inadvertently harm peoples' health.

Such "inheritable" DNA is a hotly debated issue among bioethicists, and one that an advisory committee of the Food and Drug Administration will review Tuesday and Wednesday as it considers whether human trials should be allowed for a new therapy that could prevent a rare but devastating inherited disorder.

Mitochondrial disease involves the specialized compartments within human cells that are responsible for creating most of the energy needed by the body. When a person's mitochondria are faulty, the resulting disorder can be disabling or fatal, with symptoms that can include loss of motor control, muscle weakness and pain, cardiac or liver disease, seizures, respiratory difficulty and susceptibility to infection. It is passed on to a child through the mother's mitochondria.

Researchers working with animals have devised a possible solution. A donor egg with healthy mitochondria is used, but the nucleus is removed and replaced with the nucleus from an egg of the afflicted mother; the egg is then fertilized in vitro. Because all but a minuscule amount of human DNA is contained in the nucleus, the child would be almost entirely the genetic offspring of the original couple. But because a bit of genetic material comes from the donor's mitochondria, the procedure is sometimes called "three-parent IVF."

The European Union takes a dim view of research that aims to change the genes of future generations. Although researchers in Oregon successfully produced several rhesus monkeys using the mitochondrial procedure, an attempt to use the same process to create human embryos resulted in half of the eggs undergoing abnormal fertilization. Such embryos would certainly not have been implanted in a human trial.

Considering these caveats, it seems far too early for the FDA to even consider allowing human trials. But it should encourage researchers to continue exploring the keys that might unlock gene-based cures. It is vital to proceed with extreme caution on research that involves possible permanent changes in the human genome, but it also would be a shame to shut off all hope of preventing suffering because of possibly unfounded fears about gene-based cures.

From the Los Angeles Times.



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**OTHER VOICES**

## The two faces of Vladimir Putin

Nighttime skies glowed fiery orange at the edges of Vladimir Putin's Russia, just days ago — and the whole world was watching.

Last Sunday, the world watched the sky above Sochi, on Russia's Black Sea border, 845 miles from Moscow:

Orange starbursts of fireworks celebrated the triumphant end of the 2014 Winter Olympics that Russia's president had spent so lavishly to host. The Kremlin's seldom-smiling leader desperately wanted to show the world (see also: the global economy) the new super-friendly face and open-arms partnership potential of Putin's New Russia.

Last week, the world also watched the sky above Kiev, the Ukraine capital just 470 miles west of Moscow:

Menacing orange flames leaped skyward from fires surrounding thousands of anti-government activists who occupied the city's famous Independence Square. Protesters were demanding the removal of President Viktor Yanukovich, who had spurned an economic partnership with the European Union to become the economic ally (see also: acolyte) of Putin's Russia. Putin's government urged Ukraine's president to crack down, get tougher and stop being pushed around by the protesters.

For days a world of television and online viewers flipped back and forth between live simulcasts of the two very different epic battles for supremacy. We watched glorious battles for Olympic supremacy in Sochi and horrific battles for governmental supremacy in Kiev.

The world saw the two very different, but very real, faces of Putin. They saw the face of a new thoroughly modern Putin, looking quite pleased in the stadium beneath Sochi's glowing orange sky. If the Olympics had been the only measure of Putin's accomplishment, the Rus-



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sian strongman surely would have been glowing on the inside, as well.

But the world had also seen the other face of Russia's Putin. We saw in Kiev the face that was molded long ago, during Putin's days in the Soviet KGB. World viewers recognized the face of the old Putin as they watched as Yanukovich's thugs did just what Putin's prime minister Dmitry Medvedev had urged. The government got tough, fired rifles into the crowd of militant protesters — and killed 100 protesters in one day.

That was too much for Ukraine's parliament; too much, even, for Ukraine's police. Parliament yanked its support from Yanukovich; the police vanished from the square. Overnight Putin's Ukrainian marionette had vanished from the presidential palace and from his private estate on which he'd spent the people's money lavishly while his country went broke. He'd reportedly tried to flee to — (can you guess?) — yes, Russia. But his former border guards blocked his plane from taking off.

If the only scenes the world had seen last week were the visuals from Sochi, the movers and shakers of the global economy might

have concluded that Russia's president probably had miraculously transformed his long-troubled nation. Sochi's orange firework sky glowed like a neon sign saying Putin's New Russia was now open for business.

But the world saw the orange sky over Kiev and the red pavement of its Independence Square. And those scenes have indelibly colored the world's portrait of Putin. The world's view of Putin became starkly clear this week. On Tuesday, Putin sent troops to conduct a military exercise near Russia's Ukraine border. Now all the planet sees him as a man with wide-open arms, but tightly clenched fists.

The only way for Putin to change the way the world pictures him is to change the face of his policies around the globe. He must start by ending his support for one of the planet's most evil mass murderers of his own people — Syria's despotic Bashar al-Assad. But the world's leaders and citizens now know not to hold their breath waiting for Putin to do the right thing on anything.

It was the lesson the world learned last week — a week that marked the best of times and the worst of times for Vladimir Putin. It was a dickens of a week for Russia's leader.

But the week may have served as a much needed wakeup call for all those dreaming radicals around the planet. Especially so many ordinary citizens in uncertain places such as Venezuela and other Latin American countries, where people are still trying to find their own new paths to prosperity.

Putin has reached out hopefully to them in the past. But if they were watching last week's worldwide simulcasts, they now know Putin will never be their answer.

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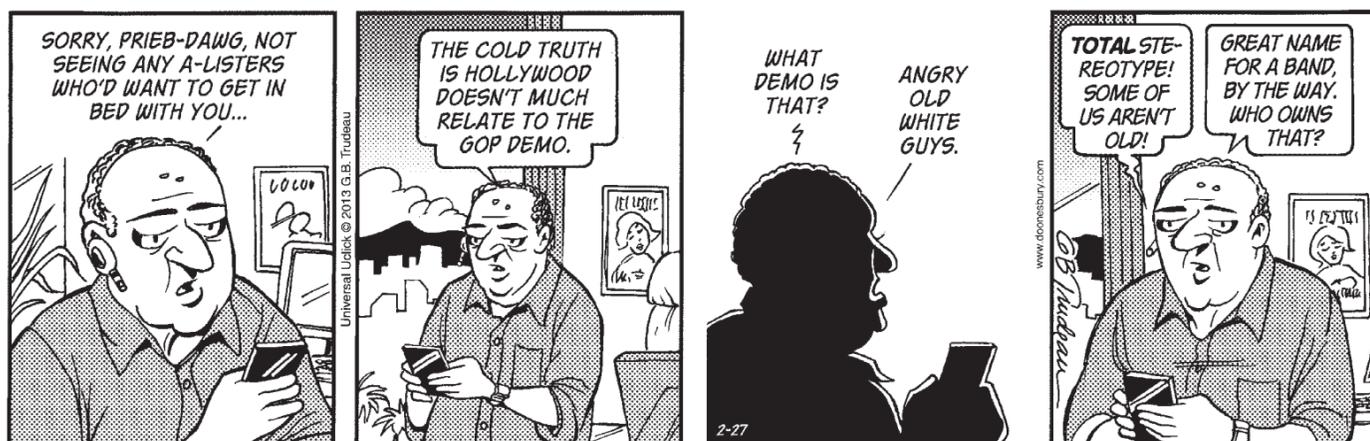
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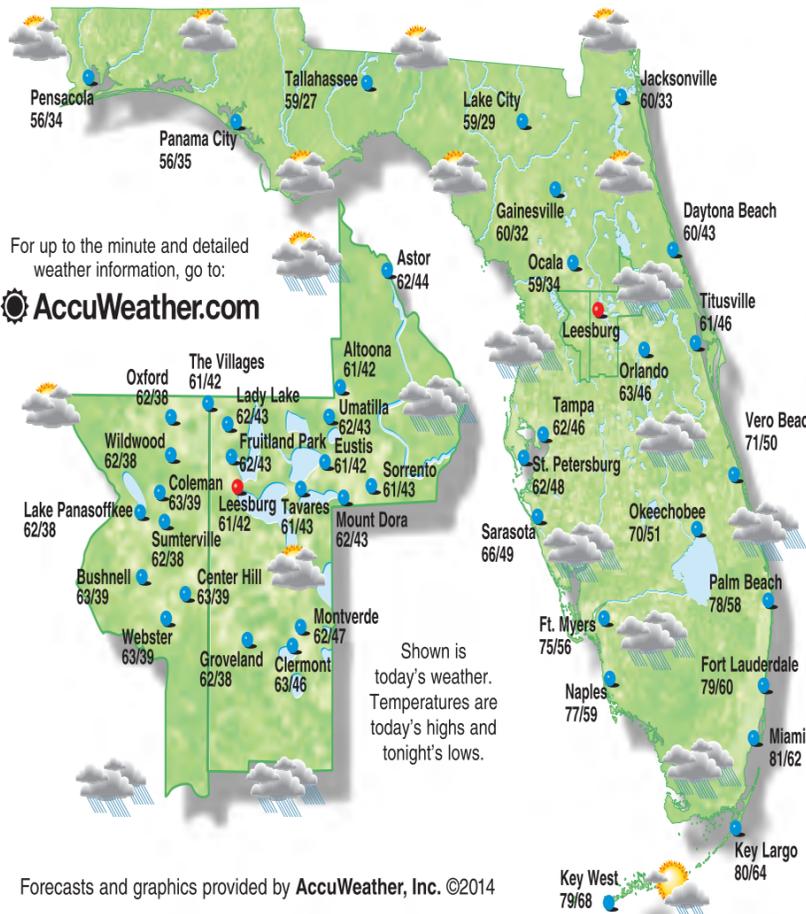
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A morning shower; mostly cloudy, cooler		Mostly sunny and warmer		Mostly sunny and warmer		Pleasantly warm with clouds and sun		Partly sunny	
HIGH 61°	LOW 42°	HIGH 69°	LOW 50°	HIGH 79°	LOW 57°	HIGH 83°	LOW 60°	HIGH 81°	LOW 61°

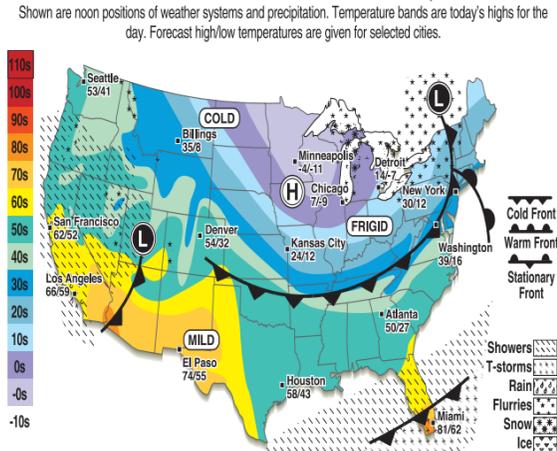


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City	Today		Friday		City	Today		Friday		City	Today		Friday	
	Hi	Lo	Hi	Lo		Hi	Lo	Hi	Lo		Hi	Lo	Hi	Lo
Albany	20	4	sn	18	5	s	Cheyenne	50	30	pc	41	17	pc	
Albuquerque	65	40	pc	63	44	s	Chicago	7	-9	pc	20	12	c	
Anchorage	43	29	s	40	27	c	Cincinnati	20	3	s	32	26	pc	
Asheville	44	17	s	42	26	s	Cleveland	14	1	sf	20	16	s	
Atlanta	50	27	s	53	38	s	Columbia, SC	58	26	s	51	38	s	
Atlantic City	36	10	sf	26	13	s	Concord, NH	24	2	sn	21	-2	s	
Baltimore	36	13	pc	26	15	s	Dallas	56	44	s	76	49	pc	
Billings	35	8	sn	11	-13	sn	Dayton	14	-2	pc	27	20	pc	
Birmingham	50	24	s	56	42	pc	Denver	54	32	pc	53	24	pc	
Bismarck	2	-15	pc	4	-22	c	Des Moines	4	-3	sn	21	2	sn	
Boise	55	38	r	53	39	c	Detroit	14	-7	sf	15	14	pc	
Boston	28	12	sf	25	14	s	Duluth	-5	-18	pc	6	-17	c	
Buffalo	16	0	sn	12	11	pc	El Paso	74	55	s	75	56	s	
Burlington, VT	22	0	sn	13	-3	s	Fargo	-4	-19	pc	0	-30	pc	
Charleston, SC	58	35	s	55	45	s	Fairbanks	24	-2	s	23	-2	pc	
Charleston, WV	30	4	s	39	25	s	Flagstaff	50	34	sh	46	39	r	
Charlotte, NC	52	22	s	46	31	s	Grand Rapids	8	-6	sf	15	12	sn	
Great Falls	31	-5	sn	1	-22	sn	Houston	58	43	pc	70	50	c	
Greensboro, NC	48	22	s	39	30	s	Hartford	28	7	sn	22	9	s	
Honolulu	80	68	s	81	70	sh	Honolulu	80	68	s	81	70	sh	
Jackson, MS	54	28	s	62	48	t	Indianapolis	12	-1	s	29	25	pc	
Kansas City	24	12	s	36	14	sn	Jackson, MS	54	28	s	62	48	t	
Las Vegas	68	56	pc	63	52	r	Kansas City	24	12	s	36	14	sn	
Little Rock	50	25	s	59	46	r	Las Vegas	68	56	pc	63	52	r	
Louisville	24	9	s	37	33	pc	Little Rock	50	25	s	59	46	r	
Memphis	46	24	s	54	47	r	Louisville	24	9	s	37	33	pc	
Milwaukee	6	-7	pc	17	9	sn	Memphis	46	24	s	54	47	r	
Minneapolis	-4	-11	pc	10	-9	sn	Milwaukee	6	-7	pc	17	9	sn	
Nashville	36	14	s	48	38	pc	Minneapolis	-4	-11	pc	10	-9	sn	
New Orleans	54	39	pc	64	56	c	Nashville	36	14	s	48	38	pc	
New York City	30	12	sf	23	18	s	New Orleans	54	39	pc	64	56	c	
Norfolk, VA	48	25	s	30	27	s	New York City	30	12	sf	23	18	s	
Oklahoma City	54	33	s	70	33	pc	Norfolk, VA	48	25	s	30	27	s	
Omaha	14	5	s	25	3	sn	Oklahoma City	54	33	s	70	33	pc	
Philadelphia	34	10	sf	23	16	s	Omaha	14	5	s	25	3	sn	
Phoenix	78	60	pc	78	58	pc	Philadelphia	34	10	sf	23	16	s	
Pittsburgh	20	2	sf	24	17	s	Phoenix	78	60	pc	78	58	pc	
Portland, ME	24	8	sn	25	4	s	Pittsburgh	20	2	sf	24	17	s	
Portland, OR	52	39	r	56	40	c	Portland, ME	24	8	sn	25	4	s	
Providence	30	10	sf	24	12	s	Portland, OR	52	39	r	56	40	c	
Raleigh	53	21	s	39	28	s	Providence	30	10	sf	24	12	s	
Reno	53	34	c	49	36	r	Raleigh	53	21	s	39	28	s	
Richmond	48	18	s	31	23	s	Reno	53	34	c	49	36	r	
Sacramento	62	47	sh	58	46	r	Richmond	48	18	s	31	23	s	
St. Louis	23	9	s	31	23	sn	Sacramento	62	47	sh	58	46	r	
Salt Lake City	56	36	r	54	38	c	St. Louis	23	9	s	31	23	sn	
San Antonio	59	43	s	75	58	pc	Salt Lake City	56	36	r	54	38	c	
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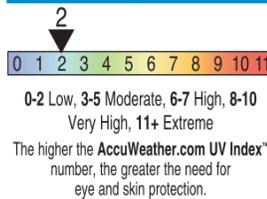
**NATIONAL WEATHER FOR FEBRUARY 27, 2014**



Shown are noon positions of weather systems and precipitation. Temperature bands are today's highs for the day. Forecast high/low temperatures are given for selected cities.

Yesterday's National High/Low: (for the 48 contiguous states)  
High 87° in Fort Lauderdale, FL Low -24° in Lake Yellowstone, WY

**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 9:45 a.m.	3:31 a.m.	10:13 p.m.	3:59 p.m.
Fri. 10:37 a.m.	4:23 a.m.	11:05 p.m.	4:51 p.m.

**THE SUN AND MOON**

	Today	Friday	New	First	Full	Last
Sunrise	6:55 a.m.	6:54 a.m.				
Sunset	6:26 p.m.	6:27 p.m.	Mar 1	Mar 8	Mar 16	Mar 23
Moonrise	5:21 a.m.	6:07 a.m.				
Moonsset	4:55 p.m.	6:02 p.m.				

**TIDES**

Homosassa				Daytona Beach					
Day	High	Feet	Low	Feet	Day	High	Feet	Low	Feet
Today	2:41 am	1.3	11:20 am	-0.2	Fri.	3:39 am	1.3	12:04 pm	-0.2
	4:12 pm	1.1	11:22 pm	0.1		4:46 pm	1.2		
Today	6:04 am	4.6	12:13 pm	-0.8	Fri.	6:57 am	4.8	12:32 am	-1.0
	6:21 pm	4.4				7:15 pm	4.6	1:05 pm	-1.0



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**SHORT SALE:** Nice two bedroom/2 bath house that would make a nice place to retire in Wedgewood Club community. Built in 1989. Roof is only a couple of years old and the septic system is new as well. Great starter home or for retirement. Some furniture is negotiable. **G4702995 \$74,900 ASK FOR SKILLIE MORRIS**



**LOVELY BRICK HOME** Located On Corner Lot. 3/2 Home, All Appliances Included, Large Storage And Laundry Room, Large 12x21 Ft Den Plus Living room/Dining Area. Spacious Master Bedroom With Beautiful Tiled Large Bath. 2 Additional Bedrooms And Jack And Jill Tiled Bathroom. **G4703156 \$69,900 ASK FOR FELECIA HUMPHREY**



**"AMAZING" TRIPLE WIDE MFG HOME** features 3bdrs 2 baths, inside utility rm, walk-in closets, cabinets & storage, golf cart garage/work shop. Kitchen was remodeled in 201. Enjoy sitting in your glassed lanai or covered wood deck that over-looks Oaks golf course. best views in Pennbrooke! **G4703190 \$92,500 ASK FOR DALEMARIE LAMB-WITTER**



**3/2 POOL HOME** in great neighborhood. Fenced yard with screen enclosed pool. Refurbished kitchen, stainless steel appliances, tile in both bathrooms large master bedroom w/walk-in closet. 45 minutes from Orlando's attractions and Orlando international Airport. **G4702940 \$124,000 ASK FOR BILL GANDER**



**GOLF COURSE VIEW,** 3/2, great room with sliding glass doors to lanai and bird cage. Kitchen and breakfast nook view golf course. Master has walk-in shower and sliding glass doors to lanai. Inside laundry and mature landscaping. **G4703113 \$154,900 ASK FOR KATHY O'BRIEN**



**CUSTOM BUILT 2/2 POOL HOME** located on 7.5 fully fenced acres for ultimate privacy. Open design concept with well appointed kitchen, open to great room. Lanai and wonderful screened in heated pool, equipped with extra features, water filter, softener system, hydro walk-in bathtub surrounded with jets and full house and well Generac generator system. **G4703084 \$304,900 ASK FOR JEL PARKER**



**CUSTOM HOME** on conservation lot has 3/2 split plan. Breakfast nook has bay window and opens to large kitchen with lots of corian counter tops. Living room has vaulted ceilings, skylight, French doors to screened room with brick pavers and great private view. Master has pocket doors to the Florida room. Master bath has walk-in shower and garden tub. **G4703690 \$210,000 ASK FOR KATHY O'BRIEN**



**TURN-KEY FURNISHED** light, bright and open 2/2 with den. Split bedroom expanded Onyx model located in beautiful 55+ Legacy of Leesburg gated community. Kitchen features lovely eat-in nook, built in microwave, electric stove, closet pantry and ceramic tile floors. Master suite includes walk-in closet, volume ceiling, dual sink vanity and walk-in shower with seat & grab bar. Formal living room and dining **G4703656 \$135,000 ASK FOR DOUG DUVERNEY OR RICHARD BELIVEAU**



**PENNBROOKE** is where this wonderful BIK/stucco Court Yard Villa is located. 2 bdrs/ 2 baths, 2 car garage, inside utility rm, split bdr plan, huge 28x30 court yard that is screened. Paver driveway, fabulous curb appeal, located on a corner lot. Live a maintenance free life! HOA fee includes: lawn care, pest/termite control, irrigation, roof & exterior painting of the bldg. **G4703710 \$199,900 ASK FOR DALEMARIE LAMB-WITTER**



**GOOD INVESTMENT PROPERTY OR INEXPENSIVE LIVING!** 2/2 ground floor and ready to go. Features french doors off great room to screened lanai overlooking park like area. Tile floors in kitchen, halls and bathrooms. Beige carpet is in bedrooms, living and dining rooms. Complex open to all ages, beautiful park like setting. Location is attractive to renters. Call today to see this great value. **G4703717 \$34,900 ASK FOR DEBBIE BOONE**



**2/2 END UNIT, VILLA,** located on landscaped lot with view. Tastefully decorated and move-in ready. Berber carpet in living and dining rooms is like new. Wood laminate floors have been installed in Master, guest bedrooms and baths. Villa maintenance includes lawn mowing, trimming bushes, fertilizer, termite bond for unit, maintenance of irrigation system, roof replacement reserve and roof washing as needed, for \$102.48/month **G4703814 \$108,000 ASK FOR TOM PRICKETT**



**ROYAL HIGHLANDS** Gated golf course community. Great room/dining room, kitchen has brick backsplash, oak cabinets, stainless steel appliances, custom range hood, built in desk and large pantry. 3/2 home on conservation lot so lanai has beautiful natural views and looks out at stunning backyard with pond and bridge. Beautiful flowers add to the magic. See it today! **G4697855 \$188,000 ASK FOR DEBBIE BOONE**

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**NBA: LeBron will wear mask to protect nose / B3**

## Lucroy steps up for Brewers

GENARO C. ARMAS  
Associated Press

PHOENIX — The Milwaukee Brewers love the players they have up the middle. Carlos Gomez is a Gold Glove center fielder, and speedy shortstop Jean Segura is one of the majors' best young players.

Then there's catcher Jonathan Lucroy, who has quietly developed into an important cornerstone behind the plate.

Good bat, especially for a catcher. Solid receiver. Emerging leader.

Lucroy, a former Umatilla standout, is "a different type of guy. He cares about what goes on with this team as much as anybody does," manager Ron Roenicke said. "I'm not saying the other guys don't care, but (Lucroy) is to the point where



RICK SCUTERI / AP

Milwaukee catcher Jonathan Lucroy (20) blocks a ball in the dirt during practice on Sunday in Phoenix.

he tries to help other players, he works with them."

Lucroy was one of the majors' top offensive catchers last season, batting .280 with 18 homers and 82 RBIs.

He also had six triples and nine steals, very respectable speed numbers for a catcher.

Speed isn't something that Lucroy specifically worked on last year, though the 27-year-

old catcher said he's always worked out with "running guys" and has trained in the past with NFL players.

"Also, too, it comes with running the bases the right way. You don't have to be the fastest guy to be a good base runner," Lucroy said Tuesday.

Behind the plate, the 6-foot, 195-pound Lucroy makes the most of a frame that's relatively small for a catcher.

"With that low target he sets up, it's kind of unique with big league catchers. He gets down there low," said 6-foot-5 closer Jim Henderson.

"But it's strange. You would think if you miss your spot as a pitcher with that small target you might not get the call," Henderson said. "But somehow he makes it work within

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## Time is here for Hawks, fans to shine

The time has come for Lake Minneola to have its moment in the spotlight and get the respect it deserves.

Lake County's newest high school will represent the area Friday on the biggest prep basketball stage in the state when the Hawks face Ruskin Lennard in a Class 6A Final Four game at The Lakeland Center.

A victory against the Longhorns will catapult the Hawks into Saturday's Class 6A state championship game, where they could face Miami Norland, who would be aiming for its third-straight state title. Miami Norland's run of state titles began in 2012 with a win against Leesburg.

In other words, Lake Minneola could earn a measure of revenge for all of Lake County with a win against Miami Norland, should that game come to pass.

But — and I'm sure Lake Minneola coach Freddie Cole would second this — let's worry about that game when we get there. The Hawks have to get past a formidable foe first.

And that's where the fan base at Lake Minneola comes into play.

Go to Lakeland with your team.

Wear your school colors.

Cheer loud.

If you work that day, call in sick.

(At this point, school administrators who are reading this might want to look away)

If you're a student and you aren't riding the

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## LEESBURG



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Lake-Sumter State College freshman Walker Sheller pitches during Wednesday's game between LSSC and the Davenport University junior varsity at the LSSC baseball complex.

## LSSC beats Davenport junior varsity

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Lake-Sumter State College fell behind early, but rebounded with nine unanswered runs on Wednesday in a 9-2 win against Davenport University junior varsity team at the LSSC baseball complex.

The Lakehawks improved to 9-4 with the win against the NAIA

school from Caledonia Township, Mich.

Davenport jumped on LSSC starter Michael Hennessey for two runs in third inning, but the Lakehawks offense got cranked up in fourth with two runs. LSSC added two runs in the sixth and seventh innings and put the game on ice with three runs in the eighth.

Tanner Barnhard scored two runs for LSSC and Walker Sheller had three hits and four RBIs, including a home run. LSSC totaled 10 hits against four Davenport pitchers.

Kyle Schackne picked up the win in relief and improved to 3-1 on the season.

LSSC hosts Eastern Florida State College at 3 p.m. Friday.

## Top triathletes set to race at Lake Louisa

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USA Triathlon will kick off its 2014 season on Saturday when several elite triathletes are expected to race in the Clermont PATCO Spring Triathlon Pan American Cup at Lake Louisa State Park.

The draft-legal event — part of the Draft Legal Challenge at Clermont — features a 750-meter swim,



20-kilometer bike and 5-kilometer run for nearly 80 U.S. and International triathletes.

Elite women are set to begin at 10 a.m. with the men taking the starting gun at

11:30 a.m.

Among those set to compete is U.S. Olympian Sarah Haskins, who lives and trains in Clermont, finished third in the race two years ago. Haskins took the 2013 season off to have a child and hopes to start her return to Olympic form at Lake Louisa.

Other women expected to be a factor include Tamara Gorman, who is making the leap

to elite status after winning the 2013 International Triathlon Union Junior World Championship. Last year's collegiate national champion, Michelle Mehnert, also hopes for a strong finish.

In addition, Chelsea Burns, Erin Dolan, and Taylor Spivey — members of USA Triathlon's College Recruitment Program — are on the start list.

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## FA-Leesburg schedules rummage sale

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As the Sunshine State Athletic Conference football championships, First Academy of Leesburg wants to look the part.

Officials at the school, including coach Sheldon Walker, have decided to dress next year's team in new uniforms as the Eagles begin defense of their title.

Like the public schools, First Academy has to find ways to generate about \$5,000 to pay for the new threads. The vision of seeing the team race on the field for next season's opening game has become the driving force behind Saturday's fourth annual Rummage Sale.

The fundraiser will run from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Community Medical Center on the First Academy of Leesburg campus — 1210 West Main Street.

All money raised from the sale will benefit the football program and go towards the school's goal of having new uniforms in time for the upcoming season. Walker said the school also is looking for donated items to sell on Saturday.

"We'll take housewares, cars and beyond," Walker said. "This is sure to be a huge sale."

For information about the rummage sale or to donate items, contact Walker at narrowgate@embarq-mail.com or call 352-787-7762.

# SCOREBOARD

**BASEBALL**  
Spring Training  
**AMERICAN LEAGUE**

	W	L	Pct
Detroit	1	0	1.000
Oakland	1	0	1.000
Toronto	1	0	1.000
Baltimore	0	0	.000
Boston	0	0	.000
Chicago	0	0	.000
Houston	0	0	.000
Kansas City	0	0	.000
Los Angeles	0	0	.000
Minnesota	0	0	.000
Seattle	0	0	.000
Tampa Bay	0	0	.000
Texas	0	0	.000
Cleveland	0	1	.000
New York	0	1	.000

**NATIONAL LEAGUE**

	W	L	Pct
Arizona	1	0	1.000
Cincinnati	1	0	1.000
Pittsburgh	1	0	1.000
Chicago	0	0	.000
Colorado	0	0	.000
Miami	0	0	.000
Milwaukee	0	0	.000
New York	0	0	.000
San Diego	0	0	.000
St. Louis	0	0	.000
Washington	0	0	.000
Atlanta	0	1	.000
Los Angeles	0	1	.000
Philadelphia	0	1	.000
San Francisco	0	1	.000

NOTE: Split-squad games count in the standings; games against non-major league teams do not.

**Wednesday's Games**

Detroit 6, Atlanta 5  
 Pittsburgh 6, N.Y. Yankees 5  
 Toronto 4, Philadelphia 3, 7 innings  
 Oakland 10, San Francisco 5  
 Cincinnati 8, Cleveland 3  
 Arizona 4, L.A. Dodgers 1

**Today's Games**

Philadelphia vs. Toronto at Dunedin, 1:05 p.m.  
 Pittsburgh vs. N.Y. Yankees at Tampa, 1:05 p.m.  
 Atlanta vs. Detroit at Lakeland, 1:05 p.m.  
 Arizona (ss) vs. L.A. Dodgers at Glendale, Ariz., 3:05 p.m.  
 Arizona (ss) vs. Chicago Cubs at Mesa, Ariz., 3:05 p.m.  
 Cleveland vs. Cincinnati at Goodyear, Ariz., 3:05 p.m.  
 San Diego vs. Seattle at Peoria, Ariz., 3:05 p.m.  
 Milwaukee vs. Oakland at Phoenix, 3:05 p.m.  
 Texas vs. Kansas City at Surprise, Ariz., 3:05 p.m.

**Friday's Games**

Minnesota vs. Boston at Fort Myers, 1:05 p.m.  
 Miami vs. St. Louis at Jupiter, 1:05 p.m.  
 Detroit (ss) vs. Philadelphia at Clearwater, 1:05 p.m.  
 Baltimore vs. Tampa Bay at Port Charlotte, 1:05 p.m.  
 N.Y. Yankees vs. Detroit (ss) at Lakeland, 1:05 p.m.  
 Pittsburgh vs. Toronto at Dunedin, 1:05 p.m.

Washington vs. N.Y. Mets at Port St. Lucie, 1:10 p.m.  
 Seattle vs. San Diego at Peoria, Ariz., 3:05 p.m.  
 Chicago Cubs vs. L.A. Angels at Tempe, Ariz., 3:05 p.m.  
 Milwaukee vs. San Francisco (ss) at Scottsdale, Ariz., 3:05 p.m.  
 Cincinnati vs. Cleveland at Goodyear, Ariz., 3:05 p.m.  
 San Francisco (ss) vs. Oakland at Phoenix, 3:05 p.m.  
 Kansas City vs. Texas at Surprise, Ariz., 3:05 p.m.  
 Chicago White Sox vs. L.A. Dodgers at Glendale, Ariz., 3:05 p.m.  
 Colorado vs. Arizona at Scottsdale, Ariz., 3:10 p.m.  
 Houston vs. Atlanta at Kissimmee, 6:05 p.m.

**BASKETBALL**  
**NBA**  
**EASTERN CONFERENCE**

**Atlantic**

	W	L	Pct	GB
Toronto	32	25	.561	—
Brooklyn	26	28	.481	11
New York	21	36	.368	4½
Boston	19	39	.328	13½
Philadelphia	15	43	.259	17½

**Southeast**

	W	L	Pct	GB
Miami	40	14	.741	—
Washington	29	28	.509	12½
Charlotte	27	30	.474	14½
Atlanta	26	30	.464	15
Orlando	18	42	.300	25

**Central**

	W	L	Pct	GB
Indiana	43	13	.768	—
Chicago	30	26	.536	13
Detroit	23	34	.404	20½
Cleveland	22	36	.379	22
Milwaukee	11	45	.196	32

**WESTERN CONFERENCE**

**Southwest**

	W	L	Pct	GB
San Antonio	40	16	.714	—
Houston	39	18	.684	1½
Dallas	35	23	.603	6
Memphis	31	24	.564	8½
New Orleans	23	33	.411	17

**Northwest**

	W	L	Pct	GB
Oklahoma City	43	14	.754	—
Portland	39	18	.684	4
Minnesota	28	29	.491	15
Denver	25	31	.446	17½
Utah	20	36	.357	22½

**Pacific**

	W	L	Pct	GB
L.A. Clippers	39	20	.661	—
Golden State	35	22	.614	3
Phoenix	33	23	.589	4½
Sacramento	20	37	.351	18
L.A. Lakers	19	38	.333	19

**Tuesday's Games**

Indiana 118, L.A. Lakers 98  
 Washington 115, Orlando 106

Toronto 99, Cleveland 93  
 Chicago 107, Atlanta 103  
 Minnesota 110, Phoenix 101  
 Portland 100, Denver 95  
 Houston 129, Sacramento 103

**Wednesday's Games**

Oriando 101, Philadelphia 90  
 Atlanta at Boston, late  
 Golden State at Chicago, late  
 New Orleans at Dallas, late  
 Cleveland at Oklahoma City, late  
 L.A. Lakers at Memphis, late  
 Detroit at San Antonio, late  
 Phoenix at Utah, late  
 Brooklyn at Portland, late  
 Houston at L.A. Clippers, late

**Today's Games**

Milwaukee at Indiana, 7 p.m.  
 Washington at Toronto, 7 p.m.  
 New York at Miami, 8 p.m.  
 Brooklyn at Denver, 10:30 p.m.

**Friday's Games**

Utah at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m.  
 Memphis at Oklahoma City, 8 p.m.  
 Golden State at New York, 8 p.m.  
 Chicago at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.  
 Charlotte at San Antonio, 8:30 p.m.  
 Sacramento at L.A. Lakers, 10:30 p.m.  
 New Orleans at Phoenix, 10:30 p.m.

**College**  
**Wednesday's Scores**

**Men**  
**EAST**

American U. 64, Navy 55  
 Colgate 83, Lafayette 66  
 Drexel 56, Coll. of Charleston 45

**SOUTH**

Coastal Carolina 70, Presbyterian 51  
 Florida A&M 104, Edward Waters 69

**MIDWEST**

E. Michigan 64, Cent. Michigan 42  
 Notre Dame 65, Georgia Tech 62

**Women**  
**EAST**

Albany (NY) 60, New Hampshire 47  
 American U. 64, Navy 55  
 Army 75, Boston U. 48  
 Binghamton 55, Hartford 51  
 Bucknell 87, Lehigh 78  
 Fordham 71, George Mason 52  
 Holy Cross 59, Loyola (Md.) 49  
 La Salle 68, Duquesne 63  
 Lafayette 81, Colgate 70  
 Maine 84, Mass.-Lowell 65  
 Manhattan 50, St. Peter's 41  
 St. Bonaventure 74, George Washington 64  
 West Virginia 69, Texas Tech 37

**SOUTH**

Charlotte 79, FIU 68  
 FAU 87, Marshall 68  
 Old Dominion 75, Louisiana Tech 64  
 Richmond 73, VCU 60

**MIDWEST**

Akron 88, Miami (Ohio) 63  
 Dayton 67, Saint Louis 58  
 Detroit 81, Valparaiso 79  
 W. Michigan 81, E. Michigan 72

**HOCKEY**  
**NHL**  
**EASTERN CONFERENCE**

**Atlantic**

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Boston	57	37	16	4	78	176	125
Tampa Bay	58	33	20	5	71	168	145
Montreal	59	32	21	6	70	148	142
Toronto	60	32	22	6	70	178	182
Detroit	58	26	20	12	64	151	163
Ottawa	59	26	22	11	63	169	191
Florida	58	22	29	7	51	139	183
Buffalo	58	16	34	8	40	113	174

**Metropolitan**

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Pittsburgh	57	37	16	4	78	186	138
N.Y. Rangers	59	32	24	3	67	155	146
Philadelphia	59	30	23	6	66	162	167
Columbus	58	29	24	5	63	170	161
Washington	59	27	23	9	63	171	175
Carolina	58	26	23	9	61	146	161
New Jersey	59	24	22	13	61	135	146
N.Y. Islanders	60	22	30	8	52	164	200

**WESTERN CONFERENCE**

**Central**

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
St. Louis	58	40	15	3	83	196	135
Chicago	60	35	11	14	84	207	163
Colorado	58	37	16	5	79	174	153
Minnesota	59	31	21	7	69	145	147
Dallas	58	27	21	10	64	164	164
Winnipeg	60	28	26	6	62	168	175
Nashville	59	25	24	10	60	146	180

**Pacific**

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Anaheim	60	41	14	5	87	196	147
San Jose	59	37	16	6	80	175	142
Los Angeles	59	31	22	6	68	139	128
Phoenix	58	27	21	10	64	163	169
Vancouver	60	27	24	9	63	146	160
Calgary	58	22	29	7	51	137	179
Edmonton	60	20	33	7	47	153	199

**Tuesday's Games**

Buffalo 3, Carolina 2

**Wednesday's Games**

Boston at Buffalo, late  
 Detroit at Montreal, late  
 Los Angeles at Colorado, late  
 St. Louis at Vancouver, late

**Today's Games**

Columbus at New Jersey, 7 p.m.  
 Toronto at N.Y. Islanders, 7 p.m.  
 Chicago at N.Y. Rangers, 7 p.m.  
 San Jose at Philadelphia, 7 p.m.  
 Montreal at Pittsburgh, 7 p.m.  
 Detroit at Ottawa, 7:30 p.m.  
 Washington at Florida, 7:30 p.m.  
 Tampa Bay at Nashville, 8 p.m.  
 Phoenix at Winnipeg, 8 p.m.  
 Carolina at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.  
 Los Angeles at Calgary, 9:30 p.m.  
 Minnesota at Edmonton, 9:30 p.m.

**Friday's Games**

San Jose at Buffalo, 7 p.m.  
 Phoenix at Colorado, 9 p.m.  
 Minnesota at Vancouver, 10 p.m.  
 St. Louis at Anaheim, 10 p.m.

**TV2DAY**

**GOLF**  
**9 a.m.**

**TGC** — European PGA Tour, Tshwane Open, first round, at Centurion, South Africa

**2 p.m.**

**TGC** — PGA Tour, The Honda Classic, first round, at Palm Beach Gardens

**10:30 p.m.**

**TGC** — LPGA, HSBC Women's Champions, second round, at Singapore

**MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL**  
**3 p.m.**

**WGN** — Preseason, Chicago Cubs vs. Arizona, at Mesa, Ariz.

**MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL**  
**7 p.m.**

**ESPN** — Arkansas at Kentucky  
**ESPN2** — Ohio St. at Penn St.  
**FS1** — Charlotte at East Carolina  
**CBSSN** — Virginia Commonwealth at Fordham  
**CSS** — Florida International at Southern Mississippi

**8 p.m.**

**ESPN** — Green Bay at Oakland  
**NBCSN** — Duquesne at Saint Louis

**9 p.m.**

**ESPN** — Iowa at Indiana  
**ESPN2** — Temple at Louisville  
**FS1** — Georgetown at Marquette  
**CBSSN** — Memphis at Houston

**10 p.m.**

**ESPN** — Gonzaga at Pacific

**11 p.m.**

**ESPN2** — Oregon at UCLA  
**FS1** — Oregon St. at Southern Cal

**NATIONAL BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION**  
**8 p.m.**

**TNT** — N.Y. at Miami

**10:30 p.m.**

**TNT** — Brooklyn at Denver

**NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE**  
**8 p.m.**

**SUN** — Tampa Bay at Nashville

**PREP BASKETBALL**  
**Noon**

**BHSN** — Class 1A boys final

**3:30 p.m.**

**BHSN** — Class 2A boys final

**Note: BHSN is available to Bright House cable subscribers.**

**SOCCER**  
**1 p.m.**

**FS1** — UEFA Europa League, Napoli at Swansea

**3 p.m.**

**FS1** — UEFA Europa League, Dnipro Dnipropetrovsk at Tottenham

## JOLLEY FROM PAGE B1

"Spirit Buses" being provided by the school, develop the symptoms of a dreaded disease ... Hoopitis.

The only cure for Hoopitis, of course, is traveling to Lakeland to watch Lake Minneola.

For those who haven't watched the Hawks play this season, they've got a serious shot at going all the way. This is not a team that reached the Final Four by playing in a soft district or region.

Lake Minneola is definitely legit.

With two wins in Lakeland, the Hawks will be considered great.

They have all the tools. On defense, they chase the basketball with the same ferocity as a lion circling its prey.

On the offensive end, Lake Minneola is relentless. Despite not having a starter taller

er than 6-foot-3, the Hawks force the issue with its speed and long-range shooting.

They do so many things right on the basketball court.

In fact, if they had a little more height, Lake Minneola would be eerily close to basketball perfection.

The Hawks fashioned a 27-3 record this season and beat teams by more than 25 points a game. They played in countless tournaments in an effort to ratchet up its level of competition and get themselves prepared for the postseason.

Lake Minneola blasted Gainesville The Rock, a traditional powerhouse, 78-47 on a neutral court at Montverde Academy. They pounded local competition into complete submission, beating Umatilla by 81 and 48 points in two meetings, and dismantling East Ridge by 51 and 36 points.

Two of its losses were against Orlando Chris-

tian Prep, which plays Boca Raton Grandview Prep today for the Class 2A state championship, and Potter's House Christian — a basketball factory in Jacksonville — a member of Sunshine Independent Basketball, which also claims Gainesville The Rock, Liberty Christian Prep in Tavares and Life Christian in Clermont as members.

Lake Minneola most definitely has earned its spot at Lakeland.

Minneola should be a ghost town on Friday when the Hawks take the floor in Lakeland.

Everyone should be in Lakeland.

Marquee signs on businesses in the city should be lit up with well wishes for the team.

The parking lot at The Lakeland Center should be filled with vehicles sporting Lake County license plates.

No excuses.

It's an easy drive from Minneola to Lakeland.

Head South on State Road 33 for about 30

miles and you're there.

It takes about 45 minutes.

An appearance in the Final Four — even in high school — doesn't happen very often. For many, it never happens.

But it will happen for the Lake Minneola boys basketball team.

And they deserve a loud, raucous, supportive cheering section.

The players and coaches have done their part by getting to Lakeland and now it's time for the community to jump on the Lake Minneola bandwagon and help them climb those final two steps. Those are the hardest, but the biggest prize in Florida is the payoff.

A state championship.

Basketball immortality.

Good luck Lake Minneola!

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## TRIATHLON FROM PAGE B1

Another local elite triathlete expected to race — in the men's competition — is Jarrod Shoemaker, who was a member of the 2012 U.S. Olympic team. Shoemaker will be vying for his fourth-straight podium finish in the event.

He finished third in 2013.

Other men looking for a podium finish in-

clude Kaleb VanOrt, who finished eighth in 2013, and William Huffman, who recorded a pair of top-three finishes in last season's Pan American events.

Now in its fourth year, the Draft Legal Challenge at Clermont has become an early-season staple on the draft legal racing schedule. In addition to the elite competition, other races set for the weekend include four USA Triathlon Under-25 Elite Development Races, as well as an age-group

non-drafting event and a Youth race on Sunday.

"We are thrilled to stage this event in central Florida to attract top talent from around the country and the world," said Bill Burnett, Race Director with Streamline Events, which is staging the two-day event. "Lake County offers an incredible place for athletes to visit and train, and we have had tremendous support from everyone in the area, including USA Triathlon leadership, as we

work together to build a successful event year after year."

USA Triathlon — established in 1982 — is the national governing body for triathlon, as well as duathlon, aquathlon, aquabike, winter triathlon, off-road triathlon, and paratriathlon. USA Triathlon sanctions more than 4,300 races each year boasts of more than 550,000 members.

It is a member of the ITU and the U.S. Olympic Committee.

## LUCROY FROM PAGE B1

the parameters of the plate there, so it's actually amazing how well he does if we screw up."

What Lucroy would like to improve on is throwing out runners. He threw out 21 of 101 potential base stealers for a 20.8 percent success rate, ranking 18th among regular catchers

in the majors. Lucroy said he was more successful in the past, but had fallen into "some bad habits" the last few years that he hoped to fix.

The Brewers are confident in Lucroy's abilities. General manager Doug Melvin often singles him out as one of the top catchers in the game.

No added pressure, Lucroy said.

"You know honestly, I take a lot of pride and a lot of responsibility in being a leader on and off the field, and within the clubhouse," he said. "Hopefully I can do that this year and really contribute."

Lucroy emerged as more of a public presence during last season's turmoil surrounding the suspension of star slugger Ryan Braun for violating Ma-

jour League Baseball's anti-drug agreement. He's inquisitive with Roenicke. He's an easy-going presence in the clubhouse.

The best catches must be unselfish, Roenicke said.

"They've got a whole pitching staff to be worried about and (Lucroy) worries about the pitching staff," Roenicke said. "He worries about the whole team."

**Eustis, Moulden blanks Tavares**

**FRANK JOLLEY | Staff Writer**  
frank.jolley@dailyccommercial.com

Wesley Moulden struck out 15 in six innings on Tuesday to lead the Eustis High School baseball team to a 2-0 win against Tavares at the Fred Stover Sports Complex in Tavares.

Moulden allowed only two hits. Jeremy Migliori picked up the save.

Offensively, Kerry Carpenter had two hits for Eustis (4-2) and Kyle Wiseman had two RBIs.

**SOFTBALL**

Koral Smith struck out nine and allowed only four hits on Tuesday to lead Tavares to a 10-4 win against Umatilla.

Smith walked two in her complete-game effort.

Top hitters for Tavares included Brielle Dougherty (3-for-4), Tessa Whitehead (2-for-4), Smith (2-for-4) and Stephanie Moorhead (2-for-4).

**BOYS TENNIS**

First Academy of Leesburg dominated Mount Dora Bible on Tuesday to pick up a 6-1 victory.

Jonathan Punt, Ethan Cotsenmoyer, Kevin Przystawski and Sammy Punt picked up wins for the Eagles.

Jesse Civiero earned Mount Dora Bible's lone win with a victory against Stephen All at No. 1 Singles.

**GIRLS TENNIS**

South Lake got five wins in singles play and were victorious in both doubles matches on Tuesday in a 7-1 win against Umatilla.

Savina Gilham, Alexia Woolum, Jill Harder, Geomari Martinez and Sarah Langers won in singles play for the Eagles. Gilham and Harder teamed up for a win in doubles, as did Harder and Martinez.

**FIRST ACADEMY OF LEESBURG 5, MOUNT DORA BIBLE 2**

Caylee Smithgall paced First Academy of Leesburg to the win, beating Kylie McCall at No. 1 singles.

For Mount Dora Bible, Ava Bixby and Gabby Williams picked up a win in doubles play.

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## NATIONAL BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION

## LeBron James gives mask a try in practice

STEVEN WINE  
Associated Press

MIAMI — LeBron James says his new protective mask is hot, uncomfortable and prone to fogging up. Plus, as teammate Dwyane Wade pointed out, it looks weird.

So James is in the market for design suggestions.

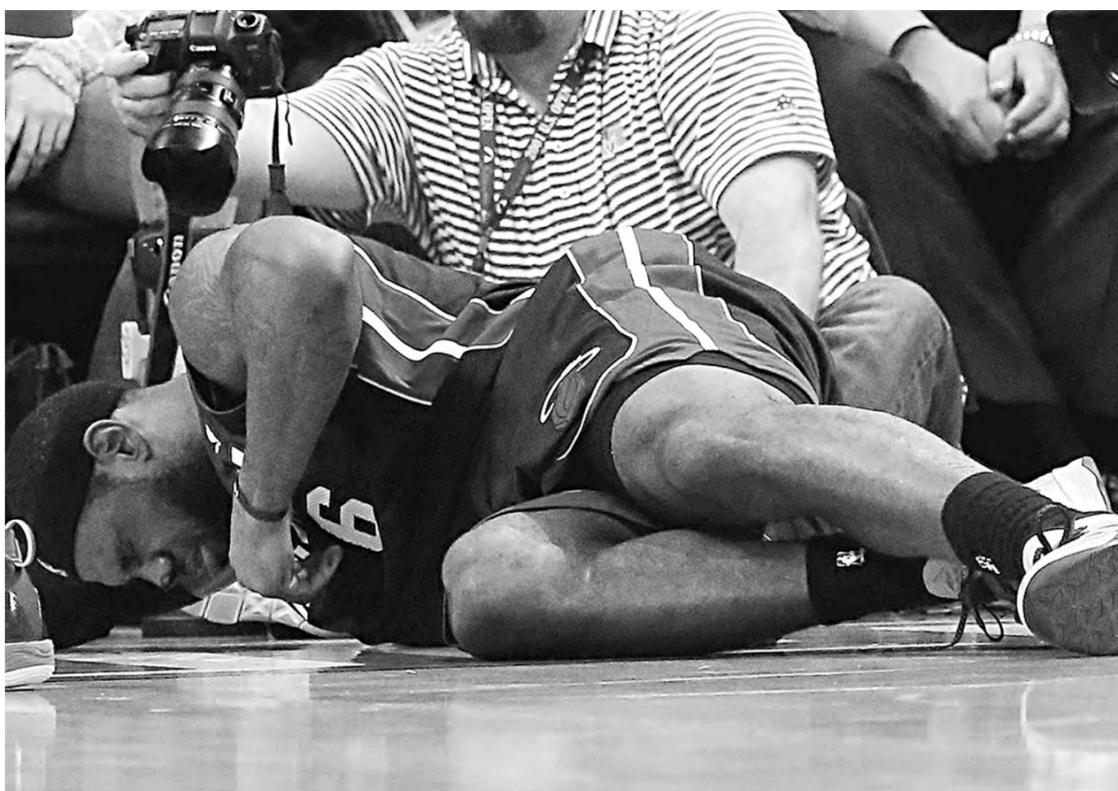
"I've been talking to Marvel Comics for the last couple of days, and DC Comics, to try to come up with one of the greatest masks of all time," James said with a chuckle Wednesday. "So we'll see what happens."

James spoke after trying out his new mask for the first time in practice. He plans to use it today when the Miami Heat play the New York Knicks.

The game will be the first for James since he broke his nose last Thursday in a victory at Oklahoma City. He and his mask took part in contact drills Wednesday, and coach Erik Spoelstra was encouraged by James' progress.

"He'll give it a shot Thursday," Spoelstra said. "He was able to go through today without any hiccups. But he also didn't take a hit today."

Given James' aggressive style of play, he's bound to receive an inadvertent blow to the face sooner or lat-



SUE OGRICKI / AP

Miami forward LeBron James grimaces as he lies on the floor with a bloody nose on Feb. 20 during a game against Oklahoma City in Oklahoma City. James was struck by Thunder's Serge Ibaka on a drive to the basket and suffered a broken nose. He is expected to return to the Heat lineup today against New York.

er. Thus the mask.

"It lessens the impact," said James, who wore a mask 10 years ago to protect a broken cheek. "You can still feel it, because the nose is still tender. But it definitely lessens the pain."

James had removed his clear mask by the time media were admitted to the gym for the end of practice, but teammates provided a description.

"He looked like every other player in a mask — it looks weird," Wade said. "He

looks like the LeBron that wore a mask the first time, only about 30 pounds heavier, a little more muscular, a little less hair."

Said Shane Battier with a grin: "As long as No. 6 is in uniform, he looks all right to me."

James was on a roll when hurt. On Thursday he'll try for his fifth consecutive 30-point game, which would be the second-longest such streak in Heat history.

The Heat have won five consecutive games and trail East-

ern Conference leader Indiana by one game. But they've been prone to stumble against weak opponents, and their next three games are at home against team with losing records — the Knicks, Magic and Bobcats.

Nine of the Heat's 14 defeats, including one against the Knicks, have come versus teams that are below .500.

"You don't want to lose to the good teams. And you don't want to lose to the

teams that aren't as good," Wade said. "So then you would be 82-0. You've got to lose to somebody. You can't play your A game for 82 games, so you have some of those moments. It happens to every team. We're no different."

Lately the two-time defending NBA champions have been consistently on their A game, in part because of stout defense. They held Oklahoma City to 81 points, which tied the Thunder's season low, then held Chi-

cago to 79 in a victory Sunday as an antsy James watched from the bench.

The injury-plagued Knicks have lost their past three games, and in their season of upheaval, the latest jarring development came Tuesday. Point guard Raymond Felton was arraigned on two felony weapons possession charges following an early-morning arrest.

After going 54-28 last season, the Knicks are 21-36.

"They haven't forgotten how to play," Spoelstra said. "They've been injury-riddled all year long, and that's tough to deal with. That adversity coming into our game is irrelevant. I'm sure they'll be ready."

The Knicks split two games earlier this season against Miami, and they're one of the few teams with a player who can match James basket for basket. Carmelo Anthony has scored more than 40 points in three of the past four games.

James said he's sorry to see his friend endure such a difficult season in the standings.

"I want him to win, and I want him to succeed," James said. "Obviously he has been playing great basketball, but I definitely don't like seeing him lose the way they've been losing."

## Felton says arrest on felony not a distraction for New York

BRIAN MAHONEY  
Associated Press

GREENBURGH, N.Y. — Raymond Felton is determined to keep personal turmoil from affecting what was already his most trying season professionally.

A day after his arrest on felony weapons charges, Felton returned to practice with the New York Knicks on Wednesday, saying that was "not a distraction" to the team.

Felton spoke for less than a minute and did not take questions. He thanked family, friends and teammates for their support and insisted his thoughts were on the Knicks' game today in Miami.

"This is not a distraction to this team," he said. "I'm focusing on finishing out this season, finishing out these games with my teammates and going down to Miami, focusing on this next game at task versus the defending champs."

The Knicks are barely hanging on in the playoff race and Felton's struggles have been among their biggest problems. Slowed by nagging leg injuries early, he's averaging a career-worst 10.4 points on 40.3 percent shooting for a team with a 21-36 record.

He's also dealing with the breakup of his mar-



JOHN MINCHILLO / AP

New York point guard Raymond Felton, center, leaves Manhattan Criminal Court after his arraignment on Tuesday in New York.

riage, and he was arrested early Tuesday after authorities said a lawyer for his wife turned into a police precinct a loaded semi-automatic handgun allegedly belonging to the point guard, claiming she no longer wanted it in their home.

Felton was released on \$25,000 bail, and his next court appearance is scheduled for June 2.

Knicks coach Mike Woodson said he never considered not letting Felton play against the Heat.

"The bottom line is Ray is a part of our team, and as his coach I'm going to support him and make sure he's doing everything the right way from here on out, and to try to get him to just concen-

trate on basketball and practice and playing games," Woodson said.

Felton was charged with criminal possession of a weapon in the third degree and criminal possession of a firearm. The firearm charge is punishable by up to four years in prison. The weapons charge is punishable by up to seven years in prison.

He had turned himself into police not long after a 110-108 loss to Dallas dropped the Knicks farther back in the playoff race. His wife, Ariane Raymond-Felton, filed for divorce last week, according to court records, and Felton acknowledged recently dealing with personal problems.

He said he wouldn't

comment on the case, referring any questions to his lawyer.

"But other than that, I'm here to concentrate on this team, finish this season out with the New York Knicks and see what happens, man," Felton said. "Trying to make it to the playoffs. We're 5½ games out, 25 games left, so I'm really focusing on that with these guys, with the team and trying to make that happen."

Felton was playing well in his first stint in New York before he was traded to Denver in the middle of the 2010-11 season as part of the package for Carmelo Anthony. He had a dismal 2011-12 season for Portland, admitting he reported out of shape because he wasn't sure if, or when, the lockout might end.

Yet the Knicks surprisingly re-signed him that summer, a move that paved the way for them to let Jeremy Lin leave as a free agent. Felton rebounded with a strong performance last season in helping the Knicks to their first Atlantic Division title since 1994, but neither he nor the team has been able to build on that.

Felton has played better lately, and center Tyson Chandler said he was focused at practice Wednesday.

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IN THE COUNTY COURT IN AND FOR LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA COUNTY CIVIL DIVISION

Case No.: 13CC3556 SUMMER BAY PARTNERSHIP, a Florida general partnership, Plaintiff, vs. KRISTEN A. BRIEN and DANIEL R. BRIEN, et al, Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF ACTION

Count 4 WILFRED J. LEWIS and CHARLOTTE J. LEWIS YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose a mortgage on the following-described property, in Lake County, Florida: TIME-SHARE PERIOD WEEK (0)38 in Condominium Unit No. 105-201 of The Villas at Summer Bay, according to the Declaration of Condominium thereof, as recorded in Official Records Book 1897 Page 1089 of the Public Records of Lake County, Florida, as amended, has been filed against you, and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to Plaintiff's attorney, Paul M. Caldwell, whose address is, P.O. Box 120069, Clermont, Florida 34712-0069, pcaldwell@caldwellplyane.com on or before thirty (30) days from the first date of publication, and to file the original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint. DATED on Feb. 21, 2014. NEIL KELLY, Clerk of the Court /s/L.Mikell As Deputy Clerk

Ad No.00428535 February 27 & March 6, 2014

Certificate # 1868 of 2011 Parcel ID # 14-20-24-001700070800 NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

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LEESBURG, ARLINGTON RIDGE PHASE I-C SUB LOT 708 BEING IN 23-20-24 PB 60 PG 10-13 ORB 3752 PG 1212

The assessment of the said property under the said certificate issued was in the name of REDUS ARLINGTON RIDGE FL LLC. Unless said certificate be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder online at www.lake.realtaxdeed.com at 11:15 a.m. on the 11th day of March 2014. A deposit of 5% of the bid or \$200.00, whichever is greater, will be collected at the time of sale per 197.542(2), F.S. Prospective bidders must register at www.lake.realtaxdeed.com and post a deposit prior to bidding.

Dated this 3rd day of February 2014 Neil Kelly Clerk of Circuit Court Lake County, Florida MADELINE KUHARSKA Deputy Clerk

Ad No.00425742 Feb 06, 2014, Feb 13, 2014, Feb 20, 2014, Feb 27, 2014

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 5th JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NO.:35 2010 CA 003946

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., Plaintiff,

vs.

VIVEKANANDA DHANPATLALL AND RAJKUMARIE DHANPATLALL, et al. Defendant(s)

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated FEBRUARY 4, 2014, entered in Civil Case No.: 35 2010 CA 003946 of the 5th Judicial Circuit in Tavares, Lake County, Florida, Neil Kelly Clerk of Circuit Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at 550 West Main St., FIRST FLOOR LOBBY NEAR INFORMATION DESK, Tavares, FL 32778 at 11:00 A.M. EST on the 26 day of MARCH, 2014 the following described property as set forth in said Summary Final Judgment, to-wit:

LOT 48, SKYRIDGE VALLEY PHASE I, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 42, PAGES 63, 64 AND 65, 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.

Dated this 12 day of FEBRUARY, 2014.

Neil Kelly Clerk of the Circuit Court By:/s/L.MIKELL Deputy Clerk

TRIPP SCOTT, P.A. Attorneys for Plaintiff 110 S.E. Sixth St., 15th Floor Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301 Telephone (954) 765-2999 Facsimile (954) 761-8475 File# 13-019091

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

CASE NO: 2011CA001004 JUDGE: T. Michael Johnson

LLOYD LIMITED f/w/a THE LLOYD T. OAKWOOD FAMILY PARTNERSHIP, a Florida limited partnership, Plaintiff,

vs.

CHAD CAREY, DIANA CAREY, LAKE COUNTY, a political subdivision of the State of Florida, and UNKNOWN TENANTS, Defendants.

NOTICE OF RESCHEDULED FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to the Order Resetting Foreclosure Sale dated February 4, 2014, entered in Case No. 2011CA001004 of the Circuit Court of the Fifth Judicial Circuit in and for Lake County, Florida, wherein LLOYD LIMITED f/w/a THE LLOYD T. OAKWOOD FAMILY PARTNERSHIP is the Plaintiff, and CHAD CAREY, DIANA CAREY, AND LAKE COUNTY are the Defendants, I will sell, pursuant to Chapter 45, Florida Statutes, to the highest and best bidder for cash at the lobby of the Lake County Courthouse, 550 West Main Street, Tavares, Florida 32778 on the 11th day of March, 2014, at 11:00 am, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment of Foreclosure:

The North 1/2 of the South 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 20, Township 17 South, Range 29 East, Lake County, Florida.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of this Court February 6, 2014.

NEIL KELLY Clerk of the Circuit Court, Lake County, Florida. By:/s/S.HOLEWINSKI DEPUTY CLERK

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 WITH IN 60 DAYS AFTER THE SALE.

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

Case No. 35-2012-CA-001679 Division 6

NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE, LLC Plaintiff,

vs.

JAMES W. COFFMAN, JOYCE A. COFFMAN TAMMY C. COFFMAN, EVERETTE W. COFFMAN, AND UNKNOWN TENANTS/OWNERS, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to Final Judgment of Foreclosure for Plaintiff entered in this cause, on JANUARY 22, 2014, in the Circuit Court of Lake County, Florida, I will sell the property situated in Lake County, Florida described as:

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Dated this 29 day of JANUARY, 2014

NEIL KELLY Clerk of the Circuit Court By:/s/D.NEAL Deputy Clerk

Kass, Shuler, P.A. P.O. Box 800, Tampa, FL 33601-0800 ForeclosureService@kasslaw.com

Ad No.:00427665 February 20 & 27, 2014

Certificate # 1233 of 2011 Parcel ID # 22-19-24-000400017900 NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that TPC ORLANDO INC, holder of tax certificate No. 1233 issued May 27, 2011 has filed same in my office and has made application for a tax deed to be issued thereon. Said certificate embraces the following described property in the County of Lake, State of Florida, to-wit:

22-19-24-THAT PART OF E 194.40 FT OF SW 1/4 OF SW 1/4 OF SE 1/4 & SE 1/4 OF SW 1/4 OF SE 1/4 THAT IS SW OF HANSON'S ADD NO 1--LESS LAGANA LOT--ORB 3140 PG 1493

The assessment of the said property under the said certificate issued was in the name of JAMES L WOLFF TRUSTEE OF THE CENTER STREET TRUST and JOSHUA TUBERO TRUSTEE OF THE CENTER STREET TRUST. Unless said certificate be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder online at www.lake.realtaxdeed.com at 11:15 a.m. on the 11th day of March 2014. A deposit of 5% of the bid or \$200.00, whichever is greater, will be collected at the time of sale per 197.542(2), F.S. Prospective bidders must register at www.lake.realtaxdeed.com and post a deposit prior to bidding.

Dated this 3rd day of February 2014 Neil Kelly Clerk of Circuit Court Lake County, Florida JILL MESSER Deputy Clerk

Ad No.00425737 Feb 06, 2014, Feb 13, 2014, Feb 20, 2014, Feb 27, 2014



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

CASE NO. 2013 CA 002840

TAYLOR BEAN & WHITAKER MORTGAGE CORP. Plaintiff,

vs.

LESTER VALLE, et al., Defendants.

NOTICE OF ACTION

To LESTER VALLE, Last Known Address: 416 GENTLE BREEZE DR, MINNEOLA, FL 34715 MARINA VALLE, Last Known Address: 416 GENTLE BREEZE DR, MINNEOLA, FL 34715

LAST KNOWN ADDRESS STATED, CURRENT RESIDENCE UNKNOWN

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for Foreclosure of Mortgage on the following described property:

LOT 148, QUAIL VALLEY, PHASE II, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 47, PAGES 1 THROUGH 4, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA.

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of you written defenses, if any, to it, on McCalla Raymer, LLC, Sara Collins, Attorney for Plaintiff, whose address is 225 East Robinson Street, Suite 660, Orlando, FL 32801 on or before, a date which is within thirty (30) days after the first publication of this Notice in The Daily Commercial and file the original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demand in the complaint.

WITNESS my hand and seal of this Court this 7 day of FEBRUARY, 2014

Clerk of the Court By /s/DANA NOLETTE As Deputy Clerk

MCCALLA RAYMER, LLC 225 E. Robinson St. Suite 660 Orlando, FL 32801 Phone: (407) 674-1850 Email: MRSservice@mccallaraymer.com 13-07221-1

Ad No.00428581 February 27 & March 6, 2014

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PLANTATION HEIGHTS SUB LOT 124 PB 17 PG 22 ORB 1814 PG 751

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Neil Kelly Clerk of Circuit Court Lake County, Florida MADELINE KUHARSKA Deputy Clerk

Ad No.00425732 Feb 06, 2014, Feb 13, 2014, Feb 20, 2014, Feb 27, 2014

Certificate # 10915 of 2011 Parcel ID # 17-17-29-02000001600 NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that FLORIDA COMMUNITY BANK NA CLTRASSGNEE-MAGNOLIA TC 3 LLC, holder of tax certificate No. 10915 issued May 27, 2011 has filed same in my office and has made application for a tax deed to be issued thereon. Said certificate embraces the following described property in the County of Lake, State of Florida, to-wit:

FOREST HILLS LOTS 16, 17 BLK D PB 15 PGS 4-5 ORB 2125 PG 122

The assessment of the said property under the said certificate issued was in the name of JAN E OWENS. Unless said certificate be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder online at www.lake.realtaxdeed.com at 11:15 a.m. on the 25th day of March 2014. A deposit of 5% of the bid or \$200.00, whichever is greater, will be collected at the time of sale per 197.542(2), F.S. Prospective bidders must register at www.lake.realtaxdeed.com and post a deposit prior to bidding.

Dated this 18th day of February 2014 Neil Kelly Clerk of Circuit Court Lake County, Florida MADELINE KUHARSKA Deputy Clerk

Ad No.00427496 Feb 20, 2014, Feb 27, 2014, Mar 06, 2014, Mar 13, 2014

Certificate # 11362 of 2010 Parcel ID # 17-17-29-02000000900 NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

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18 Place for mixing at home  
20 Had lunch  
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23 Went first  
24 Curbside call  
26 Mysterious loch  
28 Signing need  
29 Woodland resident  
31 Curator's concern  
32 Cufflinks' kin  
36 Prying tool  
39 Imitating  
40 West of music  
41 Space circle  
43 Cake coating  
44 Brother's daughter  
45 Vegas lights

**DOWN** 1 Machine part  
2 Without aid  
3 "American Buffalo" playwright  
4 Important age  
5 Company sign  
6 Milky stone  
7 Gyro-scope rings  
8 Pen group  
9 Drew close to  
11 Tummy relief  
17 Table scrap  
19 Cereal buy  
22 Golfer's cleek  
24 Patio's kin  
25 Shake-speare's merchant  
27 Before, to Byron  
28 Cram

**30** Seventh letter  
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**34** Wonder-land visitor  
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**38** Entreats  
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## MOUNT DORA

# Spotlight on vintage toys in Bonita's first solo exhibit

## Staff Report

Paintings of vintage toys are part of the Never Too Old for Play exhibit at Bowersock Gallery in Mount Dora, featuring the creative works of realist/representational painter Todd Bonita in his first solo exhibit of his toys series.

The exhibit opens March 14 with a reception for the

renowned East Coast artist and runs through April 8.

"Todd's subjects are diverse. But regardless of the image, the work is marked by a distinct hand," Steve Bowersock, curator and gallery co-owner, said in a press release. "All his work is imbued with a sense of connection; there is always a strong sense of mood and emotion, always more than a mere

object, windup toy or lone man. Todd's technical skill is outstanding, but it's the soul found in his work that distinguishes him as an artist."

Bonita's paintings in the toy series are noted as highly detailed and realistic; the pieces are different from his landscape, figurative and boat series.

"When I paint a landscape, for example, I think

narrative, express feeling. But when I think of the toys, the first thought is about the heart of picture-making design and light on form," the artist stated.

The subjects are carefully staged for optimum effect then lit in baroque, or Caravaggio style, "a, dramatic lighting that is about the tension between light and the object — the antique

toys — themselves," Bonita said. "The environment's light is carefully controlled. All the studio lights are shut off, the only source a spotlight on the toy."

The result is a painting of abstract spots of light: a series of light, dark and mid-tone shapes that happen to form an object.

SEE TOYS | C3

# Noah Emmerich as a spy hunter with scruples, flaws

FRAZIER MOORE  
AP Television Writer

NEW YORK — "The Americans" puts its audience on the spot.

Who to root for?

Do we throw our support behind Elizabeth and Philip Jennings (played by Keri Russell and Matthew Rhys), the sexy, all-American-seeming couple who in truth are Russian-born KGB spies working to bring down the United States from within?

Or do we side with Stan Beeman, their neighbor in a Washington suburb, who happens to be an FBI agent in this circa-1980s phase of the Cold War? Stan (played by Noah Emmerich) is sworn to flush out these enemies of the state, but, despite his smarts and dogged commitment, he is constantly frustrated in his mission while undermined by personal demons.

As "The Americans" returns for its second

season (Wednesday at 10 p.m. EST on FX), the continuing obligation for its fans will be to reconcile divided loyalties and cheer for both parties, never mind that they're working in deadly opposition.

As before, viewers will likely thrill at the death-defying dedication of Elizabeth and Philip, but will identify with Stan. In Emmerich's performance, he sticks to a fine line between being a hero and being a dupe. He's a straight arrow bending under the pressures of his job, including the isolation it imposes: He has lately fallen into an affair with a beautiful Russian informant as his job keeps him from home.

Most challenging for the audience to deal with: Stan is largely unknowable. Unlike Elizabeth and Philip, whose secret lives are manifest to viewers, Stan remains a private soul to all.

SEE AMERICANS | C6



MARY CYBULSKI / AP

Leonardo DiCaprio stars as Jordan Belfort in "The Wolf of Wall Street," from Paramount Pictures and Red Granite Pictures. The film is nominated for five Oscars including best picture, but came very close to never getting made.

# Green light often highest hurdle on road to Oscars

JAKE COYLE  
AP Film Writer

This year's Academy Awards nominees reflect a Hollywood truism: The margin between the dust bin and the Oscar red carpet is often razor thin.

The development process of any film can be lengthy and arduous, full of challenges in obtaining financing or a studio executive's stamp of approval. The biggest obstacle on the road to the Academy Awards is, for many films, simply getting a green light.

That's especially true nowadays, when studios have pulled back on their output and turned their focus almost exclusively to blockbusters. It makes

for an annual Oscar irony: When Hollywood gathers to celebrate itself at the Academy Awards, it fetes not its standard business, but its oddities, its rarities, its freaks that somehow managed to squeeze through the cracks.

"The Wolf of Wall Street," for example, might seem like a no-brainer: Martin Scorsese, Leonardo DiCaprio, loads of sex and drugs. But even "The Wolf," nominated for five Oscars including best picture, came very close to never getting made. After developing the film, Warner Bros. dropped it in 2008. Scorsese would later lament having "wasted about five months of my life" waiting for the Warner

SEE OSCARS | C2

## Expect an Oscars filled with music, heroes, Ellen

SANDY COHEN  
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — With less than a week to go before the Academy Awards, the Dolby Theatre in the heart of Hollywood is on lockdown. Guards stand at every door, and handlers with walkie-talkies keep a close eye on any visitors.

Neil Meron, who is producing the Oscar show for the second time with partner Craig Zadan, hopes a careful blend of secrecy and teasing — topped with some of the tightest races in recent Oscar memory — makes the 86th Academy Awards a lure that viewers can't resist.

"The Oscars is like sports," he said, sitting in host Ellen DeGeneres'

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CRAIG BLANKENHORN / AP

Noah Emmerich as FBI Agent Stan Beeman appears in a scene from the first season of "The Americans." The second season of the series premiered on Wednesday.

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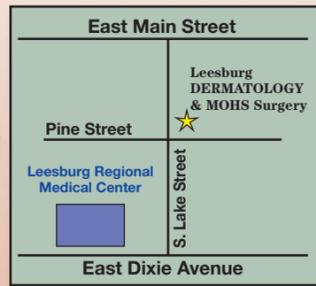
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empty dressing room, a Starbucks cup in hand. "It is sports to lots and lots of people, because you don't know who's going to win. You have rooting interest. And then we have halftime entertainment throughout."

Some of that entertainment has been announced, and some only hinted at. DeGeneres is returning as host after making her Oscar debut in 2007 and she's had a close hand in the writing process, Meron said.

"Like us coming back for the second time, she comes back also with confidence in knowing what the job entails," he said. "And she will be a host in the best sense of the word, in terms of being very present for the entire show."

U2, Pharrell Williams, Karen O and Idina Menzel are slated to perform the nominated original songs. Bette Midler and Pink are also set to perform, though producers haven't said exactly what.

"That's part of the tease," Meron said. "Why give it away? We want people to see what (they're) going to do."

He and Zadan were both lauded and lambasted for their first Oscar show in 2013. The ratings jumped by more than a million viewers from the previous year, many in the coveted 18-to-49 demographic, but some found host Seth MacFarlane's "We Saw Your



Pink performs at the 56th annual Grammy Awards at Staples Center, in Los Angeles. Pink will appear on the Oscar show on Sunday in Los Angeles.

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Oscar host Ellen DeGeneres opens the 79th Academy Awards telecast, in Los Angeles. DeGeneres is returning as host at the 86th Academy Awards on Sunday.

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Boobs" shtick sexist and distasteful.

"We examined everything that we did last year, which was a very

big show that we were very proud of," Meron said. "I think this year we are less daunted by the size of it and... by

how much the show means, how big the audience is, how much people care about it. So what you learn is to just

focus on trying to do the best show, and try to shut all of that out."

The production duo's concept for this year's telecast includes a multi-part tribute to movie heroes. Special presentations will honor animated heroes, those from real life (such as Nelson Mandela) and popular heroes, "like the superheroes: the Supermans, the Avengers and the Indiana Joneses and the Harry Potters," Meron said. "People have an emotional connection to those characters that have moved them, so that's something that we want to celebrate."

Adding to the show's intrigue this year are tighter-than-usual rac-

es, including those for best picture and supporting actress. Jennifer Lawrence ("American Hustle") and Lupita Nyong'o ("12 Years a Slave") have each won honors in the latter category. "American Hustle" and "12 Years a Slave" are also up for best picture — a prize each claimed at the Golden Globes — along with "Gravity," which won top awards from the directors and producers guilds. Other contenders in the category are "Dallas Buyers Club," featuring actor and supporting actor front-runners Matthew McConaughey and Jared Leto, "The Wolf of Wall Street," "Captain Phillips," "Nebraska," "Philomena" and "Her."

With so many secrets and teases and moving parts, Meron said he and Zadan are subsisting on caffeine. "Thank God for the little green mermaid," said Meron, adding that putting on the Oscar show is like mounting a Broadway production.

"This is out-of-town previews, opening and closing night, all at the same time," he said. "It is an enormous responsibility. It really is. And actually, it's an enormous honor, especially to be asked back again... It was not something that we had planned on, but when we were offered the opportunity to come back, we discussed it and said, 'Yeah!' Just for the reason it's good to see what a second time would be like."

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## OSCARS

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Bros.' OK that never came.

It wasn't until years later (and after other directors were considered) that the project came together, with independent film company Red Granite Pictures financing the film's \$100 million budget, and Paramount Pictures distributing.

The bet paid off not only in accolades, but at the box office. "The Wolf of Wall Street" has made more than \$335 million worldwide.

The case of "Dallas Buyers Club" (six nominations, including best picture) is even more remarkable. A film that's now counted among



ANNE MARIE FOX / AP

Jared Leto stars as Rayon in a scene from "Dallas Buyers Club," a film with six Oscar nominations.

the nine best of the year by the Academy took nearly two decades to get made. Co-producer and co-screenwriter Craig Borten first sold the script in 1996 after meeting and interviewing Ron Woodroof, a Texan who combated AIDS with drugs smuggled from other countries.

At one time, Woody Harrelson was attached to star with Dennis Hopper directing. Later, after the script was sold to Universal Pictures, Brad Pitt was lined up to play Woodroof, with Marc Forster directing. Another iteration brought in Ryan Gosling and director Craig Gillespie.

It was only revived with Matthew McConaughey (the best actor front-runner) and director Jean-Marc Vallée after the rights to the screenplay went dormant and Borten and co-producer Melissa Wallack were able to buy them back. And still, just weeks before filming began, investors pulled their money.

The breach was filled partly because McCo-

naughey gave it an air of inevitability. He had already begun losing weight for the role and discussed it on TV talk shows.

Made for just \$5 million and shot in 25 days, "Dallas Buyers Club" finally got made, long after AIDS dwindled from the headlines. Specialty division Focus Features acquired the film, which has made \$30.5 million worldwide.

Several of the Oscar nominees have relied on a single person to change their fate. When "12 Years a Slave" director Steve McQueen accepted the Golden Globe award for best drama, he thanked producer Brad Pitt: "Without you, this film would have never got made."

Similar kudos have gone to the young producer Megan Ellison, whose Annapurna Pictures bankrolled two best-picture nominees: David O. Russell's "American Hustle" (jointly with Sony Pictures) and Spike Jonze's "Her" (released by Warner Bros.). The 28-year-

old Ellison, daughter of billionaire Larry Ellison, has been roundly hailed for backing the kind of edgy, auteur-oriented films that are struggling to find financing. (In recent years, she's produced "Zero Dark Thirty," "The Master" and "True Grit.")

But such deep-pocketed, director-friendly financiers are few, and the route is exceptionally narrow for the kind of prestigious pictures honored at the Oscars.

Payne's mantra is advocating for the \$20-25 million adult comedy or drama. Instead of always swinging for the fences, he believes in the more reliable double.

In the current climate, the handful of ambitious, adult-oriented films that do get produced are almost exclusively appraised through the prism of Hollywood's awards season. The strange effect is that these few films that have clawed their way onto screens are then set against each other for months of Oscar wrangling.

"The eight, 10, 12 good English-language films are all released in the last quarter of the year and expected to gird for battle for Oscars and Golden Globes and all that stuff," says Payne. "And they're just movies. They may be fragile movies, human movies. They just need to find an audience on their own without having comparative judgment made along with it."

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This vintage toy car is one of the paintings in the *Never Too Old for Play* exhibit to open March 14 at Bowerstock Gallery.

**TOYS**

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Bonita said he finds himself emotionally involved with the subject, and works to convey that feeling on canvas.

“There is no escaping it,” he said. “These toys, with their wear and beautiful patina, are the essence of time’s passing. It can’t help but evoke emotions.”

The worn edges, scratches and flaked paint on small characters, vehicles and critters suggest the former owners and hours of play. Bonita’s treatment — the darker, warm muted colors — add to the nostalgia.

Bonita graduated from the Art Institute of Boston and further studied classical painting and drawing at the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts. His work has appeared at the Whistler Museum, Currier Museum of Art, UNH Museum of Art and Rockport Art Association.

His multifaceted art career includes years as a sculptor, mural painter and book illustrator. His former commercial clients include companies such as MTV, Disney Cruise, Random House and other international companies. Bonita’s wall art, sculpture and designs were sold at J Max, Home Goods, boutiques and gift shops in all 50 states and parts of Canada.

The New Hampshire painter has focused solely on fine arts for nearly a decade. He is renowned for his evocative boat and figurative/fisherman works and plein aire paintings.

Bowersock Gallery, 137 E. Fourth Ave., represents more than 40 national and international artists.

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# ‘Which (blank) are you?’ Online quizzes go viral on social media

MEGHAN BARR  
Associated Press

NEW YORK — For a compulsive online quiz-taker like Chrissy Noh, the temptation was too great to resist: “Which sandwich are you?”

After answering a series of unscientific, seemingly unrelated questions, which included selecting her favorite doughnut from a lineup of frosted pastries, she had her answer (grilled cheese, for the record). And she’s not the only one who’s comparing herself to sandwiches lately. Go on, admit it: Chances are, you’ve been doing it, too.

A recent explosion of silly online personality quizzes, most of them created by the young social media mavens at BuzzFeed.com, has everybody talking about which state they really ought to be living in and which Harry Potter character they really are. BuzzFeed says the quizzes are smashing traffic records and generating more Facebook comment threads than any viral posts in the site’s history.

Experts say the phenomenon isn’t surprising given the age-old fascination with that central question — “Who AM I?” — and a desire to compare ourselves with others in a social media-obsessed society.

Personality quizzes have been around for decades, gracing the covers of women’s and teen magazines with questions designed to lure us in. Nor are they new to the Internet, where online quizzes can be found aplenty on sites like Zimbio.com, among others. But the recent wave of quiz popularity can be traced directly to



MATT STITES / AP

John Egan, 50, said he takes online quizzes partly because he’s curious about himself and because he wonders how his answers will stack up against his friends’ answers on Facebook.

Buzzfeed’s New York City headquarters, where a team of about 100 content creators have been producing one to five quizzes every single day for the past two months.

The most popular quiz — “Which State Do You Actually Belong In?” — has generated about 41 million page views.

“For our most viral quizzes, the results have to be meaningful in some way,” says Summer Burton, BuzzFeed’s managing editorial director. “It’s not that they are scientific. It’s just that what they say means something to people as far as their own identity.”

**A QUIZ FOR EVERYONE**

A scroll through the “QUIZZES” page on BuzzFeed.com reveals a bewildering assortment, many infused with pop culture references. Which celebrity cat are you? Which pop diva? Which “Girls” character? What career should you actu-

ally have? Which generation do you actually belong in? What kind of dog would you be?

The intense push to pump out as many quizzes as possible started a couple of months ago after BuzzFeed editors realized that a quiz called “Which ‘Grease’ Pink Lady are you?” ranked among the most-trafficked posts of 2013. Then, in mid-January, a quiz called “Which city should you actually live in?” went viral, and the whole venture just took off like wildfire, Burton says.

The ability to create a quiz was encoded into BuzzFeed’s in-house content management system a little more than a year ago. Essentially any staff member has the autonomy to create one. There are no specific rules regarding quiz-making, but each one follows the same age-old general format: You start with the results and work backward based on general personality traits that go with each answer.

# Breakthrough deal between Netflix, Comcast should improve streaming

MICHAEL LIETKE  
AP Technology Writer

SAN FRANCISCO — After years of bickering, Netflix and Comcast are working together to provide their subscribers with a more enjoyable experience when they’re watching movies and television shows over high-speed Internet connections.

The new partnership is part of a breakthrough announced Sunday that requires Comcast’s Internet service to create new avenues for Netflix’s video to travel on its way to TVs and other devices. In return for the improved access, Netflix will pay Comcast an undisclosed amount of money for the next few years.

The arrangement represents an about-face for Netflix Inc., which had steadfastly refused to pay high-speed Internet service providers already collecting \$40 to \$60 per month from its customers. Netflix CEO Reed Hastings had contended that his company’s Internet video service is one of the main reasons why households pay for broadband, making it unreasonable for Internet service providers such as Comcast Corp. to demand additional money from content providers.

Comcast and other broadband providers argued Netflix’s growing popularity should require the Los Gatos, Calif., company to shoulder some of the financial burden for delivering its video. In evening hours, Netflix’s 33 million U.S. subscribers generate nearly a third of the Internet’s down-

loading activity, according to the research firm Sandvine.

Now that Netflix has relented to Comcast, the largest U.S. broadband service, similar deals are more likely to be reached with other Internet providers such as Verizon Communications Inc., AT&T Inc. and Charter Communications Inc.

Here’s a closer look at what this shift means for subscribers to Netflix and high-speed Internet services:

**HOW WILL CONSUMERS BE AFFECTED?**

Netflix subscribers relying on Comcast should already be seeing fewer interruptions as video streams over the network. The quality of the picture should be better, too. The improvements started to appear Thursday when Comcast and Netflix began working together, though their collaboration wasn’t revealed until Sunday. Some analysts believe the alliance might set the stage for Comcast to eventually include an application for Netflix’s service on its cable-TV boxes, making it even more accessible.

If the claims of better performance are true, it would reverse how Netflix’s video had been performing on Comcast’s Internet service — the average speed during prime-time viewing hours fell 25 percent from January 2013 to this January, based on Netflix’s own measurements.

**WHAT WAS THE PROBLEM?**

That’s a matter of de-

bate. Critics of Internet service providers suspect Comcast and its peers were deliberately slowing Netflix’s video as a negotiating tactic aimed at extracting additional fees. But plenty of analysts traced the slowdown to Netflix’s increasing viewership and the limited number of ports that Internet service providers have built to receive online content.

Netflix has long been hiring third-party vendors such as Cogent Communications Group Inc., Akamai Technologies Inc. and Level 3 Communications Inc. to deliver its video to the doors of Comcast and other Internet providers — as if Netflix had been hiring a fleet of delivery trucks to transport its products to a store. As more people stream Netflix video, the company had to dispatch more trucks.

Meanwhile, other In-

ternet services also were sending trucks with their merchandise.

Like any congested highway, bottlenecks were slowing traffic down as all those trucks carrying digital content tried to get into the entry gates of Internet providers.

Now that it’s getting paid extra money, Comcast is going to create special roads for Netflix’s video. Bypassing the bottlenecks, Netflix video should stream more smoothly for Comcast subscribers.

**IS NETFLIX THE ONLY SERVICE WITH EXPRESS LANES FOR DEDICATED CONTENT?**

No. Google Inc., which owns the YouTube video site, and social networking service Facebook Inc., among others, had already reached similar deals with Comcast and other Internet providers. Netflix is

falling in line with other services that generate a lot of traffic.

**WHAT PROMPTED NETFLIX TO ANTE UP?**

No one knows for certain, but Comcast’s clout probably had a lot to do with it. Comcast already has nearly 21 million broadband subscribers and that number will swell to about 30 million by the end of the year if the Philadelphia company wins regulatory approval to buy rival Time Warner Cable Inc. for \$45 billion.

If Netflix’s video streaming quality continued to deteriorate on Comcast, Netflix risked alienating its own subscribers. The discontent would have undercut Netflix’s subscriber growth and ul-

timately hurt its stock.

Comcast also may have been more willing to reach a compromise to reduce the chances of Netflix amplifying its complaints about the deteriorating performance of its video service while government regulators scrutinize the Time Warner Cable deal.

**IS IT TRUE COMCAST ISN’T GIVING NETFLIX PREFERENTIAL TREATMENT?**

Sort of, but it’s a fine and highly technical distinction.

Comcast is referring to the ongoing debate over “Net neutrality.” This term refers to the idea that Internet providers should treat all digital content equally, regardless of the originating website.

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**2<sup>nd</sup> DOWN**

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**3<sup>rd</sup> DOWN**

3rd Down + 30 PTS

A<sub>2</sub> A<sub>2</sub> L<sub>2</sub> M<sub>6</sub> D<sub>3</sub> I<sub>2</sub> R<sub>2</sub>

**4<sup>th</sup> DOWN**

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2-27-14 **JUDD'S SOLUTION TOMORROW**

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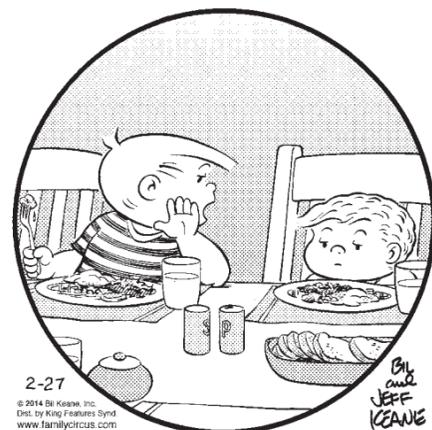
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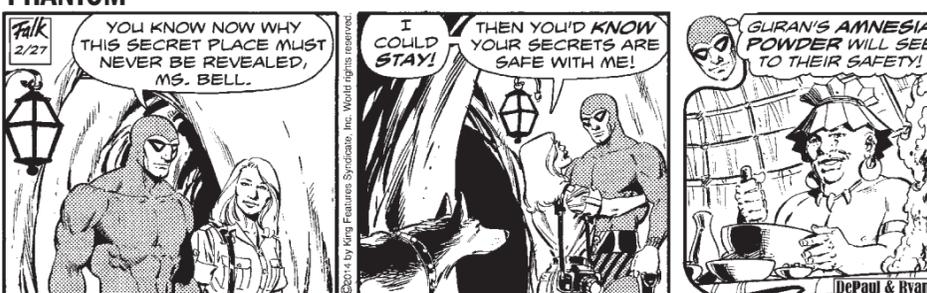
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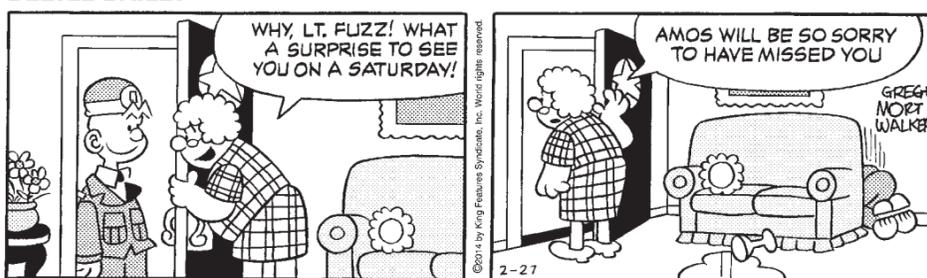
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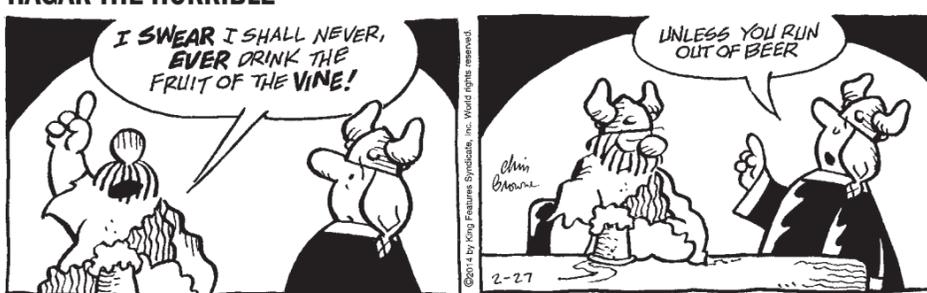
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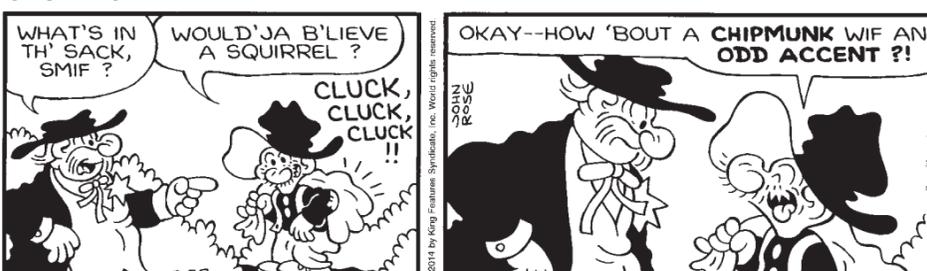
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## SNUFFY SMITH



# AMERICANS

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"You don't know what he knows," says Emmerich. "You don't know what he's thinking."

Stan's early-on suspicion of Elizabeth and Philip seems to have relaxed into acceptance

of them as the ordinary couple they pretend to be. In a future episode, he even meets Philip at a bar for a sodden heart-to-heart about his extramarital affair.

"I haven't told anybody," he tells Philip in a near-whisper. "So you can't."

Has he let down his

guard beyond the point of return?

"Is he naive? Or is he (messing) with them?" poses Emmerich, who himself isn't always sure what Stan is up to. "There have been times when I interpreted things in a certain way and played it that way, then mentioned it in passing to a

writer, only to find out we had different opinions of what Stan does and doesn't know."

This leaves viewers free to fret about his vulnerabilities and setbacks. So does Emmerich, whose keeps-you-guessing portrayal makes Stan one of TV's most absorbing characters.

"I worry about him a lot, I really do," says Emmerich over a bowl of lentil soup in a Greenwich Village restaurant. It's a day off from filming the series (whose New York locations prove indistinguishable doubling as Reagan-era Washing-

ton), but Stan, as usual, is on Emmerich's mind.

"Stan's so squeezed!" he says sympathetically. "Stan gets very little respite from the pain and arduousness of his job and his strained relationships. I take it really personally. The things that the character is going through, I go through as an actor. But that's what the work is, and the joy of it. It's precarious, because your internal life is being written by someone else."

Emmerich is immersed in this, his first series, which he laughingly refers to as "The Emmerichans." But his extensive film work includes "Beautiful Girls," "Little Children," "Super 8," "Cop Land" and the landmark "The Truman Show," in which he played the turncoat chum of Jim Carrey, prompting rebukes for years past its 1998 release from moviegoers who would ask him, "How could you DO that to your friend?!"

With that film, says Emmerich, "I became known as the guy who could appear one way and actually be another way."

It's a quality that serves him well as Stan, an unassuming-looking chap, a craggy former golden boy who might have lettered in high school but now chases Communists.

"And does it in the 'analogue '80s,'" notes Emmerich. He points out how, on each table of this restaurant, a smartphone is almost as common as silverware. Not then! "Information exchange was so much more dramatic from what it is now when, if you want to find out something, you call on your cell phone or send someone a text. Back then, you had to go and find them, or drop a note under a park bench. The world lent itself better to storytelling in the analogue age than now."

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# Farmer adds blueberries, social media to family farm

AUSTIN FULLER | Staff Writer  
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Michael Hill has been working on his father's 120-acre Clermont farm since he was 12 years old.

Hill, now 26, graduated from Auburn University in 2010 with a degree in Agricultural Business and Economics with a minor in Spanish.

"I've always loved farming, working outside, just watching plants grow," Hill said.

The farm, named Southern Hill Farms, has 80 acres of ornamental trees and 40 acres dedicated to blueberries.

His father, David Hill, started the farm in 1999, but the family didn't start

*"I wanted to do farming. There was room for me to come work on our tree farm, but... there was a lot of talk about blueberries, market was good. So we did some research my senior year and decided to pull the trigger."*

**Michael Hill**

growing blueberries until 2010 when Michael Hill graduated from college and harvested its first crop in 2012. This will be the farm's first year with a U-pick operation. The U-pick blueberry operation will begin in the middle of April.

Michael said he and his dad decided to add blue-

berries to the farm his senior year of college.

"I wanted to do farming. There was room for me to come work on our tree farm, but...there was a lot of talk about blueberries, market was good. So we did some research my senior year and decided to pull the trigger," he said.

Hill said he is the farm manager for the blueberry portion of the farm, but it is still his dad's farm and they work together.

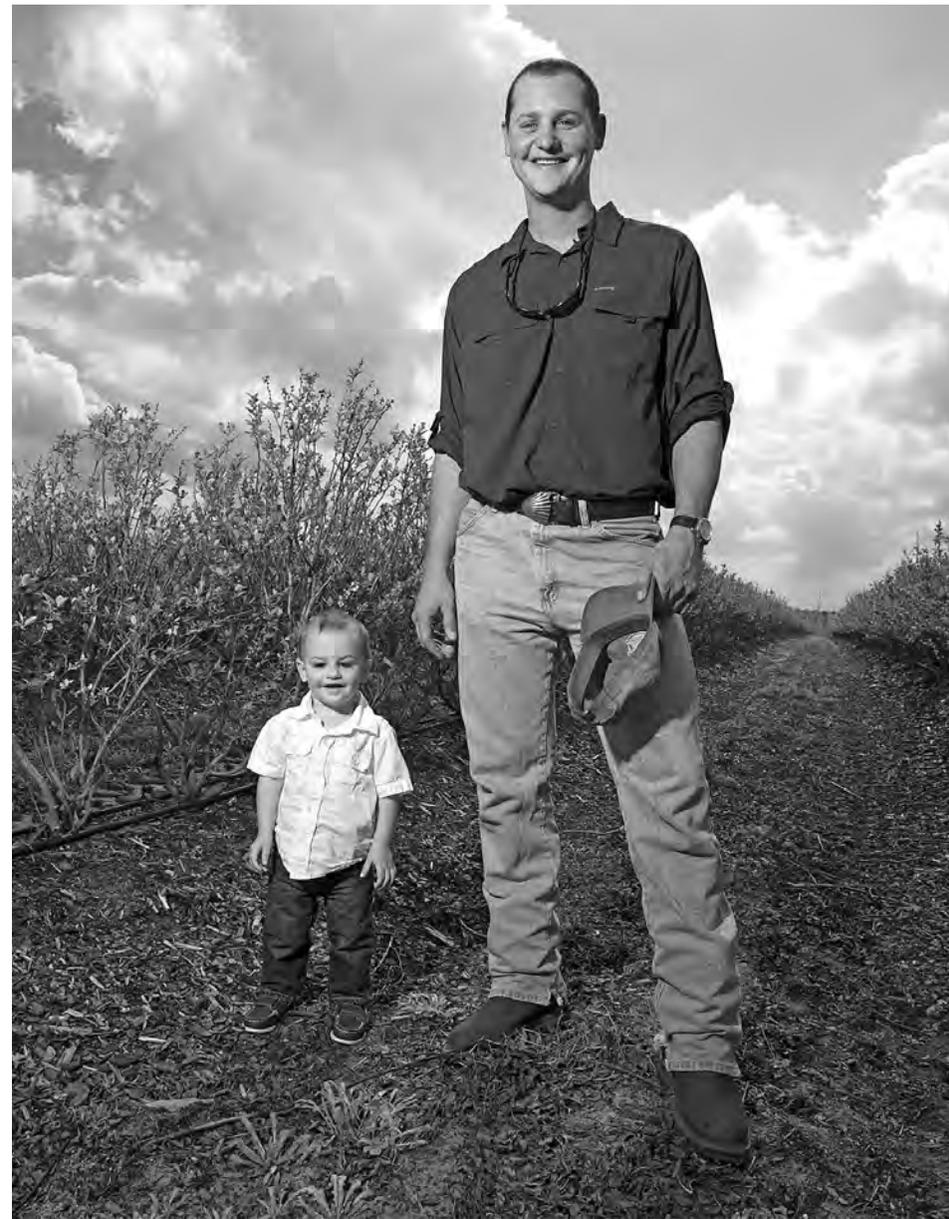
"The blueberries are my thing, for sure. My dad runs the tree farm and he oversees the blueberries," Hill said.

Hill said he will mostly use Facebook, but the farm also has a website, Google+ and Twitter accounts for the blueberry operation. He said the social media will be focused on the blueberry operation, due to a need to market the blueberries.

Hill said the farm could utilize Twitter for things like thanking customers and providing weather updates.

"We're going to hit the social media as hard as we can, because like I said I think that's just free marketing that you can't beat," Hill said.

Hill added even if farmers do not have public sales like a U-pick oper-



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**Farm Manager Michael Hill poses with his son, Trace, at Southern Hill Farms, his family's farm in Clermont.**

ation, it is still important for them to use social media in order to get their messages out to the public.

"If farmers could start getting on social media and educating the consumer...they could do it so much easier," Hill said.

According to a 2007 census by the United

States Department of Agriculture, the number of principal farm operators 65 and older increased by 18 percent from 2002

to 2007, while the number of principal farm operators younger than 45 dropped by 21 percent. Only 39 percent of farms with a principal operator 65 or older had Internet

access in 2007, compared to 63 percent of farmers 45 to 64 and 68 percent of farmers under 45, according to that census.

Michael's brother, Kyle Hill, and his mother, Lisa Hill, both also work on the farm, and his wife, Brooke, will be doing the marketing for the U-pick operation.

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# For Donna DiGennaro, it takes a village to preserve history

**RICK REED**

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What's a Yankee doing serving as president of the South Lake Historical Society?

Donna DiGennaro was lured to Florida in 2007 to be near a granddaughter in Minneola.

And she was ready to leave Maryland, where she spent her adult life, first at the University of Maryland then as a teacher and administrator.

And was she ever ready. "I retired on Thursday and started driving south on Monday," DiGennaro said of her quick turnaround.

Since then, south Lake County is more than

just her granddaughter's home; it's her adopted home as well.

"It's so beautiful here," she said. "I called a friend and said, 'You know how Florida looks like somebody ironed it? There are still some wrinkles here.'"

"I do try to take advantage of the lovely area around here."

DiGennaro began slowly with the South Lake Historical Society. A friend told her they needed volunteers at the Clermont Historic Village Museum, and as a social studies major it appealed to her.

"So I started volunteer-

ing and got hooked," she said.

In addition to being a docent at the Historic Village, DiGennaro began helping with publicity for several years. Then she landed on the board and was eventually nominated to serve as president of the society.

Despite being surrounded by history while living in Maryland halfway between Baltimore and Annapolis, DiGennaro never had time to immerse herself in it, though she developed her own walking tour of Annapolis and gave it to friends and family.

"I was working full-time as a teacher then a high school administrator," she said. "I became a widow and was a single mother a large portion of



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**Donna DiGennaro explains how the Iwo Jima mural came to be a part of the Village's little World War II Museum.**

my time there. You have to make choices."

But don't think for a moment that this retired

educator is goofing off during retirement.

"Aside from the historic village, I do have my family here," she said. "And I volunteer at Lake Minneola Elementary every Friday in my granddaughter's class. And every Wednesday I'm a messenger at South Lake Hospital. I also try doing something physical every day, whether it's getting out to take a walk or Zumba."

The city of Clermont purchased the Clermont

Historic Village property, which included the Train Depot and the Quonset Hut, in 1996. The South Lake County Historical Society was formed in 1998.

The Historical Society operates the Historic Village under an agreement with the City of Clermont. The village now includes a pair of relocated houses, the Townsend Home and the Kern's Home, the old Cooper Memorial

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# VILLAGE

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Library and two replica buildings, the Herring Hooks Schoolhouse and an outhouse.

The Quonset Hut has been renovated and turned into a World War II Museum and the train depot has also been renovated and is used as a valuable meeting space.

While having seven structures is enough to keep DiGennaro and the historical society busy, there are some projects looming.

"We're working on getting storage," said DiGennaro. "Do we expand? And if we do, where? And with what? Different people have different priorities. We all have the same goal. But how do you get there?"

Ongoing projects include working on the second floor bedrooms of the Kern Home and turning the library into a south Lake County historical museum.

As president, it might not be politically correct for DiGennaro to have a favorite building.

"Yes I do," she said. "My favorite building by far is the Townsend House. I love it because it is a typical Florida home. When I'm in it I really get an idea how folks came down here 100 years ago lived. I just love it, so simple, and the heart of pine floors."

The Townsend Home was where DiGennaro began giving tours, and she formed an affection for it. But she is also fond of all the buildings.

"The schoolhouse is really cute," she said. "The fellows who built it made it look as close as they could to Hooks schoolhouse. Another member took really old lumber

## IF YOU GO

**WHAT:** Clermont Historic Village Museum

**WHERE:** 490 West Avenue, Clermont

**WHEN:** Friday from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m., Saturday and Sunday from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

and made desks. Another member went out and purchased mannequins of kids. It's all very clever.

"The other replica is the outhouse. I don't know if you want a real outhouse. The city made us do architectural plans for the outhouse. Nick Jones is the only architect with an outhouse design on resume."

The Village is not yet complete.

The society is always on the lookout for artifacts and memorabilia, donations and volunteers.

A word of caution to potential volunteers: That's how DiGennaro got started.

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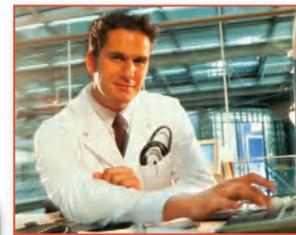
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# Groveland councilman helps bring forgotten history to life

BY RICK REED  
Correspondent

John Griffin was showing his grandnephew his collection of cowboy paraphernalia and regaling the boy with the “real” history of cowboys and black men in the West.

The meandering course that followed led them to an ancestor with a fascinating and historic background — a Black Seminole who would drive their research and inspire them to become Black Seminole reenactors.

“I went to movies in the

50s never saw any black men in westerns,” said Griffin, a Groveland City Council member and local businessman. “I told him I read 10 percent of cowboys were black men. And then I told him about Buffalo Soldiers and the big part they had protecting settlers from Indians, renegades, and outlaws. They were a big part of that history.”

Along the way Griffin saw a newspaper article about the Dade Battle reenactment in Bushnell and took his grandnephew, Matthew Griffin.

“We were amazed at

the regalia and period pieces,” Griffin said. “We were astonished to see people dressed that

way. And then finally we got to see the battle.”

The following year they met Ralph

Smith, a black reenactor who portrayed an escaped slave named Abraham who became Chief Micanopy’s interpreter and a leader of the former slaves. The Black Seminoles lived in a village in what’s now Sumter County called Abraham’s Old Town. It was near Beville’s Corner.

Micanopy’s village was also in what is now Sumter County in a place called Okahumpka, though it has been spelled many ways.

“Abraham was an interpreter. He was the sense bearer who made sense out of what the whites and Seminole were saying,” said Griffin. “He did a lot speaking for Micanopy.”

Micanopy was the leading chief of the Seminoles during the Second Seminole War.

“Blacks wanted to stay free and the Seminoles wanted to stay in Florida,” said Griffin. “They had a common enemy and common goal.”

The Seminoles had slaves but it was different than the white’s system. The Black Seminoles dressed the same as the Seminoles, but they often lived in separate villages and worked for Seminoles as tenant farmers and sharecroppers.

Griffin decided it was time to get involved.

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John Griffin is shown as a reenactor.

When it was time the following year for the Dade re-enactment, Griffin had an outfit made for his grandnephew, and Matthew was allowed in the background during the re-enactment.

He did it again the next year and began taking him to other reenactments.

“After a couple of years I said if I’m going to be his chauffeur, his financier, his roadie, I might as well start dressing out myself,”

Griffin said. “So I got me an outfit.”

The Griffins have done extensive research about Black Seminole history, with Matthew initially taking the lead.

They made an interesting discovery, Griffin’s mother’s grandfather was Hampton Sinclair, an Alabama slave who ran away to Florida. He married Sally, a full-blooded Seminole Indian and became a medicine man.

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# Retired teacher Arlene Strack is now a friend to the Lady Lake Library

**RICK REED**

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Like many retirees, Arlene Strack might be busier than when she was working.

Also like a lot of retirees, she was never going to move to Florida — until she was lured south by one thing — the grandkids.

“I was never going to move to Florida,” she said. “It’s too hot, filled with old people and has a lot of bugs.”

She sang a different tune when the grandkids, along with her daughter and son-in-law, moved to Oviedo.

“We followed our children,” she said. “That’s

not the way it’s supposed to happen.”

But she was also ready to move from northern Virginia because it was just too congested.

Lady Lake provided the perfect solution. Not too far from her daughter — and not too close.

“She has own life and we have ours,” Strack said. “The grandkids, we can go see them in a play or a ball game.”

They also wanted a boat and made sure the realtor included it in the equation.

The realtor showed them a home in Harbor

Hills, in the Grove section, where the homes were a bit smaller but were similar to those in The Villages.

“It was on Lake Griffin,” Strack said.

They purchased the home in 2005 and moved in

2007. During that time the deed restrictions changed and you had to be a member of the country club to dock your boat. Instead, they found the Venetian Cove Marina and have their pontoon boat on Lake Harris.

Since moving, Strack has become immersed in her community, along with joining the Pontoon Yacht Club of Lake County, Florida. The club plans two trips a month.

“It’s an interesting club,” Strack said. “You’re learning about all different kinds of people with all different kinds of backgrounds, doctors, truck drivers, a variety of people who enjoy the same thing.”

Husband Pete is also



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President of the Friends of the Lady Lake Library Arlene Strack poses for a photo at the Lady Lake Library.

very involved and volunteers for the Lake County Sheriff’s Office Citizens on Patrol.

He is a retired White House communications employee and worked for four presidents, including Richard Nixon.

“Government was a lot smaller then, and you could talk to the guys around him,” said Strack. “The Nixons showed up for one of the girl’s birthdays. Julie came right up and picked up one of the little kids.

“She holds him and she gets a funny look. There was a big wet spot on her dress.

“Such class, she took a sweater from one of the agents and she worked the rest of the crowd.”

Strack enjoys learning.

*“I wasn’t here a week before I got a new library card. There was a book sale room, and it was a new concept for me. We did not have it in Virginia.”*

**Arlene Strack**

In fact, she’s a retired educator. Part of her job included teaching gifted students and how to identify them.

She’s also passionate about reading, traveling and the outdoors.

Her love of reading led to her first volunteering position in Lady Lake.

“I wasn’t here a week before I got a new library card,” Strack said. “There was a book sale room, and it was a new concept

for me. We did not have it in Virginia.”

It was operated by The Friends of the Lady Lake Library, a non-profit volunteer organization dedicated to providing support for the services and resources of the library.

Activities of the Friends include running the book sale room, fundraising projects, helping with publicity, attending planning meetings and assisting the librarian and staff.

Among the group’s accomplishments, they have purchase copy machines, computers, printers, special books, special equipment for the new library, and encyclopedias, all while providing funds toward Children and Youth Programs at the Library.

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# Linda Watts draws inspiration from humble beginnings

RICK REED

Special to the Daily Commercial

Some people use their past struggles as an excuse.

But Linda Watts believes growing up in a single-parent home in Umatilla gave her the foundation for a lifetime of giving.

She was inducted into the 2013 Women's Hall of Fame and has received mountains of national and local recognition, even drawing praise from President George Bush and Governor Jeb Bush.

It all began in Umatilla. "My dad passed away when I was six weeks old," said Watts. "When I was

three (Mom) remarried. When I was 12 he passed away. Then mom went to work at school."

First her mother worked in the cafeteria and later as a custodian.

But Watts never felt neglected. She had her church, First Baptist of Umatilla, she had school and she had the close-knit community of Umatilla.

"We always had family and church there for us," she said. "People were always there when we needed things."

That's just the way it was growing up in Small Town, U.S.A.

"When I was growing up there, Umatilla was even smaller," Watts said. "There were only 24 in my graduating class. We knew everybody. Nobody had different standings.

Some might have lived in nicer homes and we thought they had a lot more. But we never knew the difference.

We all got along, one small town."

Fast forward to 1986 when Watts organized the Miss Leesburg program to get young girls involved in obtaining college scholarships.

That same year she founded a spinoff program, Florida's Hometown USA Program, Inc., a nonprofit program meant to instill in youth the "importance of volunteer service," according to its web site.

"The Hometown program is sort of like Umatilla was," Watts said. "It was the feeling of being involved and giving back to your hometown. Once we started in Leesburg other communities wanted to become involved.

Today, 28 years later, there are Hometown programs in about 140 home towns.

Watts organizes numerous volunteer efforts with students throughout the year, including the jacket drive, food drive, Head Start projects, diaper drive, a back-to-school supply drive, and the "Adopt a Grandparent" program.

Dixie Fechtel's daughter, Elizabeth, volunteered with Watts through



*"I was always independent when mom was working and I had two younger brothers. I was kind of like a little caregiver back then. That's where it probably all got started."*

Linda Watts

the Miss Leesburg Scholarship Program and was named Miss America Teen in 2012.

It was Fechtel who nominated Watts for the hall of fame honor because of her great influence on all young people, including the 428 students who have taken part in various volunteer efforts throughout the community.

Watts taught kindergarten for 22 years and often

"It was just the way she instilled in us to help other people," Watts said. "People were always helping us. It was a way of life, the way I was raised. Then that's the way we were with our children."

Watts kept plenty busy with teaching and raising her children. She was also the chairman for the Leesburg Arts Festival for 14 years, when it was held at Venetian Gardens.

"When our children left I needed to find something to do," she said.

After she retired from teaching she continued working with young people.

"The whole purpose of the Miss Leesburg Program is education, the scholarships and community service," she said. "It shows the importance of volunteering, the importance of giving back. And it has grown from there.

"I guess I wouldn't know what to do if I wasn't staying busy with the volunteer work."

How does she handle all the food drives, jacket drives, diaper drives and other programs?

"I am very, very organized," Watts said. "It came from teaching with all those lesson plans. Even today that's how I get things done. I am very, very organized.

Watts credits the way she was raised for instilling organizational skills.

"I was always independent when mom was working and I had two younger brothers," she said. "I was kind of like a little caregiver back then. That's where it probably all got started."

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"I was asked if I wanted to work there," Strack said. "I started attending their meetings once a month. I learned the money goes into youth, the library, speakers, and computers. I said I can do this."

But she didn't join right away.

"I won't go into it unless I'm qualified," she said. "I waited several months."

She's like that with everything. While living in Virginia, she and husband Pete, an Eagle Scout, led an Explorer Post that focused on camping. It was an inner city post and many of the members had never been camping.

"It all ties in with learning," she said. "I think that's why I went into teaching, if I don't know about some-

thing I delve into it."

That's how she became a volunteer at the Florida Carriage Museum.

"I went there one day and thought wow, I don't know anything about this," Strack said. "So I became a docent, then when I learned about it and was confident I was passionate to share it."

She is also passionate about helping school kids and in her position as president would like the Friends to offer some scholarship money for music or writing or arts camps during the summer.

"If you catch these kids in middle school, that's the time to catch some of these kids," she said. "It's not based solely on academics or background. If someone is passionate for the arts or music, we could start them in the right direction."

"Maybe we can make a difference—a little bit of a difference," she said.

# GRIFFIN

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"In those days, black people didn't have access to doctors," said Griffin. "They learned about herbal medicine and sometimes got into spirituality."

The Griffins have traveled extensively researching and portraying Black Seminoles. But now John Griffin carries the torch without his grandnephew. Matthew recently graduated from the University of Florida with a degree in agriculture. He became the first black student to pledge the Alpha Gamma Rho Fraternity, an fraternal organization for agriculture students.

He was hired by Lipman Produce, the nation's largest grower of tomatoes, and has already been promoted to a management position in Fort Myers.

"Matthew really was the one," said Griffin. "He did most of the presentations."

So now John has taken

up the banner.

"Really, we're just trying to get the word out about Black Seminoles," he said. "We portray black people as warriors, men seeking

freedom. The first person to die in the American Revolution was a black man. Black men have been fighting for freedom in every war since then."



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# Jack Kruse, a.k.a. The Fan Man, patrols the skies of Clermont

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In a classic nursery rhyme, Jack and Jill are said to have gone up a hill, but in Clermont, they usually walk down the trail at Waterfront Park before Jack goes up into the clouds.

They are real life Jack Kruse, a police officer with the Clermont police Department who is often seen motoring over the city on his power glider, and his wife and ground crew, Jill Kruse, who encourages his love of flying, helps carry his gear and oversees his take-offs and landings.

It's hard not to notice the huge fan strapped to

his back and the parachute that hovers over him and that powers his flight. The odd spectacle has earned him the name "The Fan Man."

"I've always had a love of flying and I take flight whenever I can," Jack said. "I used to go up with people who owned private planes or rented planes that they flew and had been looking at this particular type of flight (para motoring) for a long time."

Kruse said he's been researching, pricing and talking about taking para motoring lessons and

purchasing a power glider for a long time but had never taken the plunge.

Jill Kruse said she finally pushed him toward both because it meant a little peace.

"I was sick of hearing him talk about it, so I picked up the phone and made a few calls," Jill said.

Jill found an instructor in the city of Christmas and convinced Jack to sign up for lessons. Jack agreed to it and was willing to make the drive. But right before his first lesson, fate stepped in.

While visiting the local Walmart, the pair ended



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Jack Kruse flies above Clermont on his power glider. Kruse is known as "The Fan Man."

up parking next to a car with a para glider insignia on it.

Jill went up to the car and struck up a conversation with its owner, Captain Kurt Fister, a power glider from Winter Garden (Ohio for the summer), a more promising instructor who held classes much closer.

Jack started taking lessons in November, 2012.

"I had never parachut-

ed before, so it was a big step. You're hanging from a parachute and landing like you are with an ultralite but all I could think to be there with a great instructor and that it was so cool," Jack said.

Jack said he was also thankful for his life-long training as a runner, having been an All-American runner in college and having run the Boston

Marathon and in Olympic trials in 1984. That training gave him the strength in his legs needed to land safely and run to a stop.

It doesn't always work out that way.

Jack said of his more than 200 flights, he's landed safely and in the correct position every time, except for one, when he ended up on his back like a turtle.

"I was lying on my back on the ground and there was nothing I could do about it," he said. Jill was there, but instead of helping him up right away, she began snapping pictures.

"I had to get pictures of that," Jill joked.

Today, Jack owns three motor gliders — Stan, Stewie and Skip — each having different capabilities that allow him to adjust for the weather (the wind especially), his mood and how high he wants to ascend and how long he wants to stay aloft.

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# FAN MAN

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"Each one is a little different," Kruse said, explaining that the weight of the fans and equipment he has to carry on his back vary depending on the device as well.

Stan weighs 80 pounds, Stewie weighs 46 pounds and Skip weighs 150 pounds because it is attached to a trike he has to use to take off with.

All three, however, use a similar fan to keep him in flight, and all three provide the same thrill for him.

"You can fly lower and slower in these and hover with the right wind conditions. The motor is not any louder than a lawn mower, plus you can turn in a circle and you can hover over the beach, see and talk with people while you're up in the air," Jack said. "You can see a lot of sights, and you can see

people's faces and see them waving at you. You can't do that with a plane and you can't get low enough with a helicopter. It's amazing."

Jack has made close to 250 flights, keeping a log of each and every one. He documents where he took off, the direction he flew, where he landed, the altitude he reached, the distance he flew and what equipment he used.

Jack also takes various cameras with him and has become quite the photographer of scenic Clermont, sunsets and people he sees. He uses a GPS monitor to log his heart rate, course, height and distance onto his computer for future reference.

Jack said he has also been on the other end of the camera lens countless times. He often sees people snapping photos of themselves with him in the background or of sunsets with him in the picture.

Jack said his average speed is



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**Kruse climbs about 275 feet per minute and flies at altitudes of between 500 and 1,000 feet.**

about 25 mph but sometimes is pushed by the wind to about 40 mph. Jack's climbing speed is about 275 feet per minute. He usually flies at altitudes of 500 to 1,000 feet, and the farthest distance he's flown is 42 miles

along the Jersey coast.

Still, Jack said he enjoys the Clermont scenery and the peacefulness, especially when he reaches the "Mile-high point."

"It's kind of fun getting up

to 5,200 feet and beyond the clouds. I don't do that often but when I reach that point, it's different. I can actually turn off the motor and glide along for a while," Jack said. "I can even make calls from up there."



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# O'Keefe's culinary gifts a bright spot in downtown Tavares

RICK REED

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Before there was Emeril Lagasse, before there was a Food Network, before Andrew O'Keefe turned 10, he knew that food would become his life's mission.

The owner of O'Keefe's Irish Pub and Restaurant in Tavares was 9 when he began working in the kitchen of his father's hotel in Pennsylvania.

Other than a short stint delivering newspapers, food has been it for O'Keefe, though there wasn't much on television to inspire him.

"All we had to watch when we were kids was Julia Child," said O'Keefe.

"But she was quite a woman. She did a lot for food and the movement of food education."

The second of eight kids, he started making salads and things like shrimp cocktail in the kitchen of the Hotel Bethlehem, where his father was the general manager. The staff took to him and taught him as he began moving around the kitchen learning the different positions.

O'Keefe even had his own chef's coat tailor-made by the ladies in the housekeeping department, who he befriended by sneaking tidbits

out of the hotel kitchen. He worked there until his 16th birthday, then went to work for the competition across town.

"That's how I got into it," O'Keefe said. "I enjoyed the action."

His career path included several stops before he landed at what would eventually become O'Keefe's Tavares' restaurant at 115 S. Rockingham Ave. He landed his first chef's job at the age of 15 and eventually headed north to further his education at the New England Culinary Institute in Montpelier, Vt.

Julia Child was the commencement speaker when O'Keefe graduated from the school in 1984. The following year he was the pastry chef there.

His resume includes certification by the National Restaurant Association in butchering, soups, baking and cake decorating; he was an apprentice cook at Hotel Bethlehem, head rounds cook at Normandy Inn in Spring Lake, N.J., line cook at Yankee Clipper, Sea Girt, N.J. and broiler cook at Schnider's Restaurant, Avon, N.J.. He



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**O'Keefe's Irish Pub and Restaurant owner Andrew O'Keefe studied at the New England Culinary Institute in Montpelier, Vt.**

also was a manager at Top of the Town in Boca Raton, internship rounds cook in Fort Lauderdale, assistant pastry chef at Maison Blanche Restaurant in Washington and pastry chef at Holiday Plaza Complex in Matteson, Ill.

In 1984 his father, Frank O'Keefe, bought the building that would become O'Keefe's Irish Pub and Restaurant. At the time, it was the Town Tavern and more of a pool hall than restaurant. Back in those days the Lake Region Packinghouse was going full blast down the street with three shifts.

In 1987, he came to Ta-

vares to work with his father to transform the pool hall into a real restaurant. Now 50, O'Keefe was 23 when he came to Tavares and became partners with his father and brother.

"I came down and changed it into a restaurant," he said. "It was the mid to late 60s. It was on the lake and had no identity. We got an idea one day to change it to an Irish pub."

You'll find plenty of Irish pub fare on the menu, like Bangers and Mash, Shepherd's Pie and Corned Beef and Cabbage. But there's plenty else on the menu too.

"We like to have a good time, like to try a lot of different things," O'Keefe said. "We like to keep it interesting with things like stir fry, Veal Osso Buco or Chinese."

"We have some fun with it. Whatever the mood."

There's live entertainment Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights to add to the mood.

The menu has plenty of appetizers, salads, hot and cold sandwiches, Black Angus Beef burgers, steaks and seafood on the menu.

O'Keefe still feels the urge to get in the kitchen but his chef has been with him 20 years, graduating from Tavares High School and its culinary arts program.

That's another thing they didn't have when O'Keefe was growing up. "Now they have culinary arts in the high schools," O'Keefe said. "I think it's excellent."

What's his favorite food to cook?

"Good food," he replied. "Seafood, I love seafood."

It's also a pub, and there are 12 beers on draft and a total of about 100 available, including bottled beer.

"We have almost 1,800 members in our Mug Club," O'Keefe said about the promotion where patrons buy a personalized mug that hangs on the wall and gets discounted drafts certain days of the week. "American craft beers have started getting bigger and bigger. It's been a big movement."

O'Keefe has seen a lot of movement in downtown Tavares, going and coming.

"I watched the rest of the town close up around us," he said. "We lost the pharmacy, the food store, the Ace Hardware. Now I'm seeing a rebirth. There are 10-12 restaurants, a seaplane basin, and the train depot. It brings in a lot of people and I've been here to see it. It's worked out really well."

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# Filmmaker says latest project came with a little surprise, divine inspiration

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Filming for the faith-based movie, "The Diner" wrapped up in the wee hours recently, and the director believes audiences will be moved by the script and stellar talent of the lead actor.

"The performance Wade Williams gives, even in the little pieces that we see, there were tears and applause," Mount Dora director De Miller, 63, said of the cast and crew's reactions.

"There were tears all around; and my faucet leaked," Miller said of his own tears at different moments in the film and the ending. "When people laugh at the right place and cry at the right place that's a good sign."

All of the movie's scenes were shot in Lake County. The main set was the Fish & Chix diner in Umatilla for six nights; a boxing gym in Mineola; two private residences; and outside scenes around churches in Eustis and Mount Dora.

Some 15 main actors, 10 extras, and a crew of about 20 people were part of the production.

"I feel so blessed to be a part of this, and I'm very, very excited to see the finished product because the script is just fantastic," said actor Jeremy Kaminisky of Orlando, who portrays Pastor Gary in the film. "Besides the fact that it was faith-based, it's just a good story, and where Sonny (the lead actor) ends up at the end of the film is a very spectacular moment."



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**Movie director De Miller of Mount Dora, right, checks out polo shirts he wants Orlando actor Jeremy Kaminisky to wear in the final filming of "The Diner" on Feb. 13.**

The movie features Wade Williams portraying Sonny, a two-time world boxing champion who expects his last big fight to be a big moneymaker, yet he ends killing his opponent, a very popular fighter (Michael Santini) in the ring and Sonny loses his boxing license.

"His life just spirals down to where he loses his home, car and fiancée and he essentially ends up out on the streets," Miller said. "He is just mad at God and asks why does God do that to him?"

Miller said the lead character struggles with conflict before he sees God's plan.

"People are put into his path that help him deal with that and we hope that in the overall scheme of things that the audience is moved," the director said.

The boxer finds com-

fort at the diner.

"I like the fact that my character is sort of the silent rock in the movie," Kaminisky said. "You don't hear from him much, you hear from him a few

times, just little bits. But it is enough of a presence that you know that he is an integral part of the main character Sonny's journey."

Miller is now ready to take the film to the next level.

"There is a long road ahead," he said. There will be a rough edit of the film before it's given to a composer to do the sound track, a colorist to make color corrections, and sound people to do the mix.

He credits God for providing the storyline, which Miller penned in a little over four days, as it focuses on a common question among non-believers and even Christians: "Why does God let bad things happen if He is all powerful?"

He wrote the script while also working on his last film, "A Letter for Joe."

"This one really came

as a surprise," Miller said.

"I started hearing little things and you don't tell the Lord to hang loose," he said of God providing the movie script and what he hopes are satisfying answers to questions about God.

Miller's goal is to have the movie ready for the first Mount Dora Family Film Festival June 14-16, where the director will provide a screening of the film. "The Diner" marks the fifth film from Miller's Lazarus Filmworks.



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# The name has changed but the Greenhouse is still Betty's

**RICK REED**

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After owning and operating The Greenhouse Restaurant on Old Highway 441 in Mount Dora for 19 years it received a different name when Betty Lau opened it a second time.

In between there have been two different owners.

Now it's called Betty's Greenhouse, so longtime customers know she's back at the helm of the popular eatery.

"When I came back this time I did call it Betty's Greenhouse," She said. "I'm hoping people would realize we were back."

The restaurant, at 3725 W. Old Highway 441, has been an area landmark for almost six decades and was known as Turner's Greenhouse around 1945. Eventually it became the Greenhouse Restaurant.

While no one is sure how the eatery got its name, it's likely because of the tree in one of the rooms.

"At one time we had a tree that came up through here and a room was built right around it," Lau said. "But we had to take it out. A limb had come off and it wasn't safe anymore.

It had been closed

three years when Lau opened it the first time in 1985. It simply became The Greenhouse, not Betty's Greenhouse. She had learned that lesson while operating her restaurant in Melbourne. It had been the Country Kitchen and it was changed to Betty's Kitchen.

Customer traffic took a dip.

"I learned from that — leave the name alone," Lau said.

But this time Betty wanted her old customers to know she was back.

Lau has worked in restaurants since she was 18 or 19, beginning in Nashville then moving to Florida, where she became a waitress.

"Mom was a cook in the place and she taught me how to be a server," Lau said. "It was in Eau Gallie, across the river from Satellite Beach. I worked for Mr. Coleman in a pharmacy named Coleman Pharmacy."

Her mother worked there 15 years and that's how Betty Lau learned to cook.

"I used to have to cook when mom was working," Lau said. "She showed me



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**Betty Lau, co-owner of Betty's Greenhouse Grill with her husband Carl, poses at the restaurant in Mount Dora.**

how to do things and it was expected I have food on the table every day at 5 o'clock."

After spending so much time in restaurants, it's not surprising she met her husband in one, the Land and Sea Restaurant in Satellite Beach. But it wasn't her husband who hired her. It was his partner.

"I met Carl right after I was hired," Lau said. "I always worked up front. I always did pretty well at it."

She quickly proved her worth.

"Back then they got a lot of checks. They didn't have charge. It was checks or cash," Lau said. "And they had a lot of bad checks."

One was for about \$300 and included a large bar tab.

"I keep calling the bank every so often and if there was money in the account I ran to the bank and cashed the check," she said.

They later opened another in Melbourne and eventually had several different restaurants.

Lau expected they would retire in Pennsylvania and even made an offer to buy an old farmhouse. They sold everything they had in Satellite Beach, but the deal fell through.

Instead, they moved to a small home owned by Carl's parents in Wela-ka and bought the old

Greenhouse Restaurant and later a home in Mount Dora.

It worked out very well for 19 years, but then Lau came down with pneumonia and almost died from it.

She recovered but decided it wasn't time to retire and in 2011 got her restaurant back. After taking a month to get it ready, she was up and running.

As with many in the restaurant business, there isn't much time for other things.

"No, not really, it's always been time-consuming," she said. "But my friends are my customers. I don't go out socializing. It's all done in here.

"I love my customers." Of course, she also loves her husband.

"April will be 36 years," she said. "We always say forever, we've been married forever."

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Carnival rides and food vendors are shown at the 2013 Pig on the Pond event.

## GROVELAND

**MARCH 22**

World Water Day Hike, 9-11 a.m., Pasture Reserve on Lake Erie Road. Celebrate World Water Day at this informative hike in the heart of the Green Swamp area and learn about the source of Central Florida's drinking water. Free.

## MOUNT DORA

**MARCH 1**

Mount Dora Library presents Micky Dolenz of The Monkees, 7-9 p.m. The lead singer for The Monkees visits the Christian Home and Bible School field house, 301 W. 13th Ave., off Donnelly and Jackson Streets. Tickets are \$35 and are available online at [www.mountdoralibrary.com](http://www.mountdoralibrary.com) or at the W. T. Bland Public Library, 1995 N. Donnelly St., Uncle Al's Time Capsule, 140 East 4th Ave., Mount Dora Chamber of Commerce, 341 Alexander St., or by calling 352-383-8808.

**MARCH 2**

Mount Dora Village Market, open 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.. Features fresh produce alongside

herbs, crafts and a growing range of products. The market is located at Elizabeth Evans Park at the south end of Donnelly Street past the Lakeside Inn and the Lawn Bowling Club. Call 352-455-3171.

**MARCH 6-9**

30th Annual Florida StoryFest. Hear stories that soar beyond your wildest imagination at the historic Lakeside Inn in Mount Dora. Go to [www.flstoryfest.com](http://www.flstoryfest.com) or call 800-327-1796.

**MARCH 7-8**

Lake County Quilter's Guild 32nd Annual Fantastic Quilt Show, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. both days. This is a judged show, with demonstrations, door prizes, a boutique, vendors, fashion show, silent auction, quilter appraiser and more. At Lake Reception, 4425 Highway 19A, Mount Dora. Cost is \$7 per person.

## TAVARES

**MARCH 1-2**

Hydro Drag JetSki Nationals, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day. Some of the best water-cross racers in the world negotiate a closed course at Wooton Park, 100 E. Ruby St., in Tavares. Call 352-742-6176 for information.

**MARCH 1**

Friends of the Library Book Sale, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Tavares Civic Center, 100 E. Caroline St. Friends of the Library invites all book lovers to participate in this annual winter book sale, with proceeds benefiting the library. Call 352-742-6204, or go to [www.mylakelibrary.org](http://www.mylakelibrary.org) for information.

**ONGOING**

2014 Parade of Homes, through Sunday, March 2, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday to Friday and noon to 4 p.m. on Sunday at scattered sites throughout Lake and Sumter counties. See new homes and meet builders and contractors at this event, which

highlights products and services for those making design decisions. For information, go to [www.LakeSumterParadeofHomes.com](http://www.LakeSumterParadeofHomes.com), or call Carolyn Maimone at the Lake-Sumter Home Builders Association, 1000 N. Joanna Ave., in Tavares, at 352-343-7101 or email [Exec@LakeSumterHBA.com](mailto:Exec@LakeSumterHBA.com).

**MARCH 22-23**

Classic Raceboat Regatta — Spring Thunder, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., at Wooton Park, 100 E. Ruby St., at the Sea Plane Basin. Cost is \$3 per person, \$2 for a pit pass. See vintage and classic race boats from the early 1900s to the 1980s. Several types of classic race boats will perform exhibition fly-bys in a race-like setting on a 1-1/2 mile oval course. Heats take place every half hour. Call 352-742-7426, ext. 264, email [lfarrell@tavares.org](mailto:lfarrell@tavares.org), or go to [www.classicraceboatassoc.com](http://www.classicraceboatassoc.com).

**MARCH 28-30**

Sunnyland Antique and Classic Boat Show, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Wooton Park, 100 E. Ruby St. The cost is \$5. This is the largest show of its kind in the U.S., with more than 250 boats on display in the water and on land. Call 352-742-6176, email [lfarrell@tavares.org](mailto:lfarrell@tavares.org), or call [www.acbs-sunnyland.org](http://www.acbs-sunnyland.org) for information.

## UMATILLA

**MARCH 1**

15th Annual Umatilla City-Wide Yard Sale, 8 a.m. at the Umatilla Library, 412 Hatfield Dr. This 15th annual event will include a site in the library parking lot next to McDonalds and hundreds of yard sales throughout town. Call Janet Lewis at 352-669-3284 or email [jel5775@hotmail.com](mailto:jel5775@hotmail.com).

**MARCH 11**

Pizza Party with Author Chris Tozier, 4 p.m. at the Umatilla Public Library, 412 Hatfield Dr. This is a free event featuring award-winning author Christopher Tozier for the latest in the Olivia Brophie and the Pearl

of Tagelus series, winner of the Florida Publishers Association Silver Medal award for Children's Literature. Enjoy pizza and stories. Call Judy Buckland at 352-253-6167 or email [jbuckland@lakeline.lib.fl.us](mailto:jbuckland@lakeline.lib.fl.us) for details.

**MARCH 28-30**

North Lake SportsFest and Jam, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Friday; 5 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday, at the North Lake County Community Park, 40730 Roger Giles Road in Umatilla. Features a combination of sports activities and concerts and includes 100-mile and 50-mile bike challenges through the Ocala National Forest. Call

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## CLERMONT

**MARCH 7-9**

Pig on the Pond, 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. Friday; 10 a.m.

to 10 p.m. Saturday; and 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday at Waterfront Park, 100 Third St., Clermont. This annual festival provides funds for educational and scholarship programs in south Lake County. The highlight of the event is the Florida Barbecue Association Sanctioned Barbecue Competition, featuring cooking teams from around the country grilling for awards and the chance to compete for the 2010 state championship. Other activities for the entire family include

a carnival and midway, music and entertainment, a chili challenge and dessert bake-off and more. Call Cheryl Fishel at 352-516-5897, email [pigonthepond@earthlink.net](mailto:pigonthepond@earthlink.net) or go to [www.pigonthepond.org](http://www.pigonthepond.org) for information. Cost is \$3.

## MARCH 8

Rib Run for Education 5K Run/Walk, 8 a.m. at Clermont Waterfront Park, 100 Third St. Cost is \$15 for a student; \$25 for an adult; and \$30 on the day of the event. Proceeds benefit the Pig on the Pond Educational Fund. For information, call Cheryl Fishel at 407-625-3818 or email [pigonthepond@earthlink.net](mailto:pigonthepond@earthlink.net).

## MARCH 12, 26

CML Writers Group, 1-3 p.m. both days at the Cooper Memorial Library, 2525 Oakley Seaver Dr. Cost is free. All aspiring and published writers are welcome to share, interact and discuss their works. Call 352-243-2171 or email [robertbellam@earthlink.net](mailto:robertbellam@earthlink.net), or go to [www.mylakelibrary.org](http://www.mylakelibrary.org).

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## MARCH 12

Padding Adventure to Scrub Point Preserve, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., John's Lake Boat Ramp, 13620 Lake Blvd. Cost is free. Experienced and novice paddlers are invited to join wildlife experts as they paddle from John's Lake Boat Ramp to the Scrub Point Preserve. Participants can bring their own boat or use one of ours. Call the Lake County Water Authority at 352-343-3777 or email [gailg@lcwa.org](mailto:gailg@lcwa.org) to make reservations.

## EVERY MONDAY

Clermont Toastmasters, 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the Seventh-Day Adventist Church, 100 Minnehaha Ave., Clermont. Toastmasters meetings are a learn-by-doing workshop in which participants hone their speaking and leadership skills in a no-pressure atmosphere. Call 352-234-6495 for details.

## MARCH 13, 19

Pastfinders Genealogy, 5-7 p.m., at the Cooper Memorial Library, room 108, 2525 Oakley Seaver Dr., in Clermont. Cost is free. Membership is open to everyone interested in learning about genealogy research and preserving family history. Call Dennis Smolarek at 352-536-

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## MARCH 22

South Lake Animal Leauge's Pet Connect Carnival, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., at the Petco store, 2561 E. State Road 50, in Clermont. Cost is free. Features entertainment throughout the day including the Rescues and Runways Fashion Show, pet-related activities by Doggie Fun Zone, a doggie kissing booth, kid-friendly activities, food vendors and more. Call 352-429-6334 or email [petconnect@slal.org](mailto:petconnect@slal.org), or go to [slal.org](http://slal.org).

## MARCH 24

Opera at the Library, 1:45-5 p.m., at the Cooper Memorial Library, room 108B, 2525 Oakley Seaver Dr. Cost is free. Students and the public may attend educational programs, classes and discussions on opera and the operatic experience. Norma Trivelli, Lake-Sumter Community College adjunct professor of foreign languages and voice, conducts the programs. Call 352-536-2275 or email [dsmolarek@lakeline.lib.fl.us](mailto:dsmolarek@lakeline.lib.fl.us), or go to [www.mylakelibrary.org](http://www.mylakelibrary.org).

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## MINNEOLA

### EVERY WEDNESDAY

Family Storytimes at Minneola Library are held at 10:30 a.m. every Wednesday. Simple crafts are offered on the second Wednesday of each month for children of any age, and their parents/caregivers.

## MARCH 7

The Literary Book Club meets at the Minneola Library at 10 a.m. on the first Friday of each month

## MARCH 21

The Front Porch Book Club meets at 10 a.m., on the third Friday of the month at the Minneola Library.

## LEESBURG

### MARCH 1-2

Rhythm of the Dance, 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. at Lake-Sumter State College, Paul P. Williams Fine Arts Auditorium, 9501 U.S. Highway 441, in Leesburg. Cost is \$22. Fee-

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#### MARCH 6-8

Historic Tractor Show and IH Chapter 27 State Show. Gates open at 8 a.m. at the Buffalo Nickel Ranch, 615 S. Whitney Road in Leeburg, with tractor pulls, parades and more. Admission is \$5 per person, per day. Kids age 10 and younger enter free. Go to www.stehstuff.com or call 352-728-3588 or 352-267-4448.

#### MARCH 8

38th Annual Leesburg Fine Art Festival, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Main St. in downtown Leesburg. Features more than 120 fine artists and craftsmen, food and live entertainment. Presented by the Leesburg Center for the Arts. Admission

is free. Call 352-365-0232 or email amy@ctr4arts.com for information, or go to www.leesburgartfestival.com.

#### MARCH 8

PEAR Park Nature Center Open House, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., at the PEAR Park Nature Center, 4800 University Ave., Leesburg. Free. Learn about rock and mineral classification and look at sand samples under the microscope. Hands-on activities for kids and more. Call 352-314-9335 or email park-sandtrails@lakecountyfl.gov, to make a reservation.

#### MARCH 14

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downtown Leesburg. The cost \$10 for adults, \$5 for children age 10 and younger. Features backyard barbecue and electrifying blues music in Towne Square along with The Florida Brewing Company's lineup of craft beers. Call Joe Shipes at 352-365-0053 or email joe@leesburgpartnership.com for details.

### MARCH 22

Cops and Kids Day, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Gator Harley-Davidson, 1745 U.S. 441 in Leesburg. Features a law enforcement skills challenge, games and face painting for the kids and music and food for everyone. Funds raised benefit local charities. Call Gator Harley at 352-787-8050.

### MARCH 22

Food Truck 'N Flick Night, 5:30 p.m., Towne Square in downtown Leesburg. Gourmet food trucks line Main Street, serving up a variety of cuisine. Enjoy live entertainment, beer and bar stations and then stay for the blockbuster movie shown on the 24-foot outdoor screen. Guests should bring lawn chairs or blankets. Call Joe Shipes at 352-365-0053 or email joe@leesburgpartnership.com for information.

## EUSTIS

### THROUGH MARCH 1

GeorgeFest™ 2014 - "It's A Grand Old Flag. This annual event features live music, carnival rides and vendors in historic downtown Eustis and Ferran Park. There will be a parade and fireworks on March 1. For information, go to www.eustischamber.org or call 352-357-3434.

### MARCH 1

Truck and Tractor Pull, 7 p.m., Lake County Fairgrounds arena, 2101 County Road 452, Eustis. Admission is \$15. Family event with many trucks and tractors and things for the kids. Food and other vendors available. Call 352-357-9692, email smcparland@lakecountyfl.gov, or go to www.brooksvillepulling.com.

### MARCH 6

Lake County Farmers and Flea Market, 8:15 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., March 6. Visit the weekly Farmers and Flea Market at the Lake County Fairgrounds, 2101 County Road 452, in Eustis, the place to shop for a variety of products ranging from apples to ziti. The market is open year round on Thursdays except on holidays and during the Lake County Fair. No pets are allowed. Call Jane Allen at 352-357-9692 or email jallen@lakecountyfl.gov for information.

### MARCH 7

3rd Annual International Vintage Motorcycle Swap Meet and Bike Show, March 7 to March 9. Lake County Fairgrounds, 2102 County Road 452, in Eustis featuring vendors, celebrated pickers and motorcycle enthusiasts offering literature, memorabilia, and acres of NOS, OEM used and accurate new replacement parts. Promoted by Vintage Motorcycle Alliance, LLC., at www.vintagemotorcyclealliance.com.

### MARCH 7

First Friday Street Party on the First Friday of every month, from 6 to 10 p.m., in historic Downtown Eustis. Sponsored by the City of Eustis. For information, call 352-483-5430.

### MARCH 22

Eustis Classic Car Cruise-In, 5-8 p.m. About 150 classic cars roll into downtown Eustis, where guests can enjoy

the cars, downtown shops and restaurants and music. Want to show your car? Registration is free and will enter you into cash prize giveaways. Sponsored by the Eustis Business Alliance in Partnership with the City of Eustis. Call 352-360-3712 for details.

### MARCH 28

Habitat for Humanity of Lake/Sumter 25th Anniversary, 6-10 p.m., at Ferran Park, Eustis. Free concert featuring Pistol Holler in Ferran Park at the bandshell, with numerous events beginning at 6 p.m. and music at 7:15. For information, call 352-483-0434

## FRUITLAND PARK

### MARCH 15

Founders Day Events. A 10 a.m. parade kicks off the festivities and features local entertainment and marching bands. There will also be vendors, free bounce houses and live bands until 6 p.m., followed by the annual rodeo at Windy Acres at 7 p.m. Call the Recreation Department office 352-360-6734 or email at fprecreation@aol.com

## LADY LAKE

### MARCH 12

Legendary Writers in Florida, 10 a.m., at the Lady Lake Library, 225 W. Guava St., Lady Lake. Admission is free. Dr. James C. Clark is the author of six books and has written for The Washington Post, Washington Star, Washington Monthly, The Nation, and Miami Herald. Pineapple Anthology of Florida Writers is the first in a series of writings about Florida, fiction and nonfiction, by legendary writers who have come to Florida. Call Judy Buckland at 352-253-6167 or email jbuckland@lakeline.lib.fl.us for information.

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