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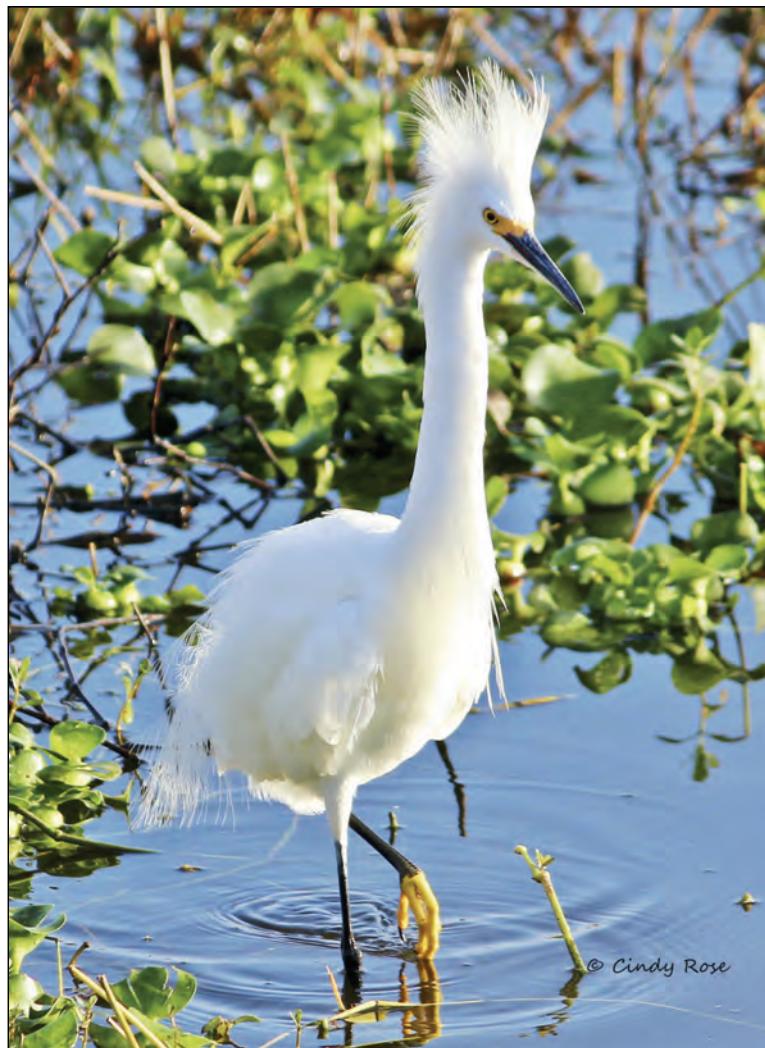
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SNOWY EGRET



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... "Yellow Slippers" is the title of this image captured by nature photographer Cindy Rose, whose landscape and wildlife pictures are featured in the "River of Grass" exhibit now on display in the Upper-Level Gallery at the Theatre for the Performing Arts on South Florida State College's main campus. While those "yellow slippers" cannot be seen here, a trip to Avon Park will reveal the stark color contrasts and other visual delights in the Florida-focused exhibit. The gallery is open to the public Wednesdays through Fridays, from 12:30 to 4:30 p.m. The 16-piece collection can be viewed now through April 25.

Women's Event Coming

By MARIA TRUJILLO

Of The Herald-Advocate

A "Turn your pain into purpose."

These are the words nationally known Christian motivational speaker Jennifer Beckham lives by.

And it was Erica Scheipsmeier who brought more of Beckham's principles to Hardee County. In fact, Beck-

ham is now coming to town as well, for a speaking appearance on Jan. 31.

The event is open to women countywide.

Scheipsmeier says her discovery of Beckham's ministry came about a year ago when she was looking for something to discuss with her life group at church. She found Beckham's book, "Get Over Yourself."

The book comes with a study guide that teaches seven principles to "turn the pain of your past or present into your purpose."

According to Scheipsmeier, the study focuses on getting over whatever has happened in the past, such as things or events in life that tend to hold someone back from moving forward with life.

The study shows "seven practical principles that will get you 'unstuck' and into a life of balance, fulfillment, confidence and

purpose."

Scheipsmeier says she enjoyed the message the book and class study conveyed, and

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THE DREAM



PHOTO BY MARIA TRUJILLO

Portraying the peaceful civil rights proponent was quite the honor as a parade commemorating the national Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. holiday worked its way through downtown Wauchula on Monday. It was the highlight of several observance activities. For more photos of the parade, see 6A.

WEATHER

DATE	HIGH	LOW	RAIN
01/15	63	47	0.00
01/16	57	34	0.05
01/17	66	29	0.00
01/18	60	32	0.00
01/19	69	27	0.00
01/20	75	39	0.00
01/21	75	48	0.06

TOTAL Rainfall to 01/21/2014 - 1.03

Same period last year - 0.52

Ten Year Average - 47.79

Source: Univ. of Fla. Ona Research Center

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JENNIFER BECKHAM

Temps Plummet, Soar

The Ups & Downs Of This Winter Are Taking A Toll

By JOAN SEAMAN

Of The Herald-Advocate

The up-down of winter weather has hit Hardee County.

According to local reports the worst morning was Sunday. Another low was expected Wednesday night and Thursday, with temperatures dipping into the low 30s.

In between, there have been some warm afternoons, getting nearly to 70 degrees on Monday and Tuesday afternoons.

"This bouncing up and down has the trees confused. When it warms, they want to bloom, much too early. So if it stays cold, it's better for them," said Barbara Carlton, executive director of Peace River Valley Growers Association.

"There's been no complaints of freeze damage. It didn't stay low enough long enough. The cold is actually a benefit," said Carlton.

Around the county, there were reports Sunday morning of scrapping frost of windshields and temperatures as low as 28. According to the weekly report from the weather station at the University of Florida Range Cattle Station in Ona, Sunday's low was 27 degrees. High temperatures from last Thursday through Saturday ranged in the high 50s and low 60s.

After a couple of balmy 70-ish days, temperatures were expected to plummet throughout Wednesday, with a freeze watch for today (Thursday) until 9 a.m.

Wind chill could make it feel as low as 30 degrees, reported the National Weather Service. It should warm up again by Saturday or Sunday.

The cool weather, has been accompanied by the lack of rain which forces growers to irrigate. Paradoxically, the Southwest Water Management District has issued an advisory for residents to "Skip a Week" or more of watering during the cooler months of January and February.

The advisory says one-half to three-quarters of an inch of water every 10 to 14 days is sufficient. "Overwatering can

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Death At FINR Sparks Lawsuit

By CYNTHIA KRAHL

Of The Herald-Advocate

Joseph Brennick on behalf of his facility, but do not report completion of that task.

Once served with the civil action, FINR and its attorneys will have 30 business days to enter their initial response to the allegations set forth in the claim.

Jakobowski asserts that his daughter was a resident of Bristol, Conn., when on Sept. 8 of 2010 she was admitted to the FINR facility in Wauchula for evaluation, assessment and treatment.

"As a result of this failure to provide Close Visual Supervision, Melinda Jakobowski suffered a sudden ventricular arrhythmia resulting in her death," Kay says in the claim filed on behalf of his client.

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rienced and trained staff, and courteous treatment.

But on Feb. 10, 2011, it alleges, employees at the facility "failed to provide decedent Melinda Jakobowski with adequate care and breached their duties."

The document goes on to say she was required and scheduled to receive what is termed Close Visual Supervision, but alleges she did not on the date in question.

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Kelly's Column

By Jim

The seats of Hardee School Board members Jan Platt, Thomas Trevino, and Paul Samuels are up for election this year, all three incumbents plan to seek re-election this fall. Platt is completing her fourth four-year term, and Trevino and Samuels are completing their first term.

The Ghost Tours Friday night sponsored by Main Street Wauchula will be a wonderful event. This is the second year. The cost is \$10 for the 90-minute tours.

Florida Hospital Wauchula hosted a reception Tuesday afternoon for Eric Stephens, new CEO of Florida Hospital Heartland Division. Hardee has an excellent small hospital, rehab center and a great emergency room.

The Florida Gator men's basketball team has achieved a 15-2 record to date and a No. 6 national ranking. The Gators have made the Final 8 and are hoping to make the Final 4 this season.

The public is invited to tour the annual Alafia River Rendezvous in Homeland north of Fort Meade this Friday and Saturday, from 9 to 4. This is a wonderful encampment of life in the early 1900s in America. For people who like yesteryear this is worth seeing. There is a small admission fee.

Mosaic's Streamsong Resort is a testament of what can be done with land that has been mined for phosphate. Mosaic has built two world class golf courses, a nice lodge and spa, and offers fine dining, bass fishing, hiking, etc. in southwest Polk County a few miles north of Fort Green. Streamsong has 300 employees and hosted an open house last week.

The Bowling Green City Commission on Jan. 14 showed some interest in buying the historic Inn built in 1929 on 17 and Main. Bowling Green is getting some new sidewalks along Main Street.

Hardee High School beat the state average for the Algebra 1 Winter end-of-course exam first-time testers, with 47 percent. The state average was 46 percent. Polk county scored 36 percent, DeSoto 40 percent, and Hendry, 18 percent, reported Hardee Superintendent of Schools David Durastanti.

"Beating the state average is a noteworthy accomplishment. The Algebra 1 Winter end-of-course results are another positive success for Hardee County schools," said Durastanti, who thanked the hard work of teachers, parents, staff, support personnel, students, administrators, business partners, churches, civic organizations and the School Board.

Durastanti likes Proverbs 22:6, "Train up a child in the way he should go, and even when he is old he will not depart from it."

Forbes last year reported the world's highest paid athletes were, in order, Tiger Woods, Roger Federer, Kobe Bryant, LeBron James, Drew Brees, Aaron Rodgers, Phil Mickelson, and soccer players David Beckham, Cristiano Ronaldo and Lionel Messi. The earnings ranged from \$78.1 million for Tiger to \$41.3 million for Messi. Woods, who has recovered financially from his trouble in 2009, and Federer each had \$65 million in endorsements.

The Charlotte Harbor National Estuary Program is sponsoring a free conservation landscaping workshop and native plant sale Saturday, Feb. 1, at the Turner Center at 2250 Roan St., Arcadia, from 8 a.m. to noon. Each attendee will receive a free packet of seeds.

The program will include the best plants to use in this part of Florida, drought and water restrictions, cold-tolerant plants, edible native plants, where to find plants, seeds and mulch, and mulching and planting demonstrations.

We live in a changing America today. The Boy Scouts of America now allows openly gay members. Marriage in about 18 states is no longer one man-one woman. Gay rights made big gains in 2012 and 2013. Will American society continue to change in 2014 and the years thereafter, becoming more liberal or more conservative?

New York Times syndicated columnist Nicholas D. Kristof wrote last year there are about 30,000 firearm deaths in the U.S. annually — 11,000 homicides and 19,000 suicides.

By contrast there are about 32,000 U.S. deaths annually from traffic accidents.

Kareem Abdul-Jabbar played professional basketball for 20 years, from 1969 to 1989. Since then he has become a writer, coach, actor and ambassador. He is 65, reports the February issue of the Rotarian magazine.

He reports the average length of retirement is 18 years. About 19 percent of Americans do not plan to work after they retire, but 75 percent intend to work either full or part-time. Kareem advises to stay active, be significant and be active in other people's lives. "Age is about attitude. People who need people are the luckiest people. Try new things, forge new relationships, and seek new ways to contribute to your community."

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Further, Kay alleges in the filing that the death "could have been prevented if she had been provided the Close Visual Supervision she was supposed to have received."

The civil action asks that monetary damages be awarded to the estate for "loss of prospective net accumulations" and "medical and funeral expenses." It seeks monetary damages for Edward Jakobowski as father for "loss of decedent's companionship," "mental pain and suffering" and "medical and funeral expenses."

It concludes by asking the court to set the matter for trial by a jury.

FINR's response to the allegations will follow service of the document.

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wanted to share it with others. Scheipsmeier also says she feels a connection with Beckham because she married a man who is from Zolfo Springs.

In fact, Scheipsmeier knew Beckham's husband Anthony while growing up, and even went to the couple's wedding, which took place in Zolfo Springs several years ago. His family still lives in Zolfo Springs, she says.

And it is in Hardee County where several of Jennifer Beckham's Bible studies are taking place in local churches in preparation for her upcoming appearance. Scheipsmeier says 165 women have taken part in 11 separate studies in the county.

All of these studies focus on Beckham's book and looking at the sometimes meaningless things people tend to fill their lives with. Scheipsmeier hopes that by having these studies going on during the same period of time, it will bring the community together.

She says all of the women attending the studies will be united by one goal, which is finding a way to heal and have Jesus in their lives.

Although the studies are for women, Scheipsmeier says through women these principles can be filtered to husbands, children or other family members or friends. She also says that by fixing things in their lives, women can then help others.

Scheipsmeier wants the focus to not only be on the message the studies bring, but also on uniting the community through the different churches.

Apart from writing "Get Over Yourself" and starting a life of ministry, Beckham had the opportunity to work for MGM-Studios and then travel to Japan as an entertainer for Tokyo Disneyland.

While there, she played several princess roles, including Cinderella, Snow White, Belle, Sleeping Beauty and even Mary Poppins!

Even though her "childhood dream had come true," her biography notes that she had a sort of "secret life" where she was mixed up with self-destructive things.

Now, for more than a decade Beckham has traveled throughout North America preaching God's Word. She has served as a leadership trainer and motivational speaker, and has spoken everywhere from corporate and secular organizations to hundreds of schools.

She now lives in Jacksonville with her husband, who is a fellow minister, and their two children.

Every woman is invited to attend the event, including those who have been out of church for a while and looking for an enlightening moment to those who are just curious to hear what Beckham has to say.

The Community-Wide Ladies Event will take place Friday, Jan. 31, at the Agri-Civic Center. A list of where to purchase tickets can be found at agodworld.com. They are \$5 each.

Doors will open and music will begin at 6:30 p.m. The event begins at 7. Beckham will be around to mingle with those in attendance.

For more information on the event, contact Scheipsmeier at 781-4850 or e-mail her at ericas.cpa@gmail.com.

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encourage pests and disease in your lawn. Too much irrigation makes lawns less able to survive droughts. Using an irrigation timer allows resident to hold off on watering.

"Watering every other week during the winter will help conserve drinking water supplies that the public needs for critical uses during the dry season. If everyone skipped one week of irrigation this season, it could save an estimated 1.9 billion gallons of water, concluded the advisory.

Carlton noted that there were plenty of things to worry about beside the weather. "We've been struggling with greening. It's been very problematic, causing the fruit to drop and less to pick, a big economic factor for growers," she commented.

Asked about recent reports on discovery of a gene causing greening, Carlton responded. "Doing these genetic studies could be helpful. There are lots of applications, such as developing a strain of resistant trees, mutations to make them able to overcome this disease."

"Growers have spent \$80 to \$90 million of their self-tax money on these studies. Trees have not looked proper and healthy in a long time. There have been losses of 50 fifty percent or higher. I hope they can come up with something positive," said Carlton.

She said there was also some trouble with canker over the summer with the rain and it caused some lesions on some trees, but the major problem remains the greening, not the weather, she concluded.

In Other Action

By MICHAEL KELLY

Of The Herald-Advocate

The Hardee County Industrial Development Authority approved the following items during its nearly four-hour meeting last Tuesday with board members Dottie Conerly and Doug Jensen absent.

• heard an update from Executive Director Bill Lambert regarding the incubator/accelerator project.

Lambert said the property was purchased for the appraised value of \$493,000.

Plans are being made on how to best divide the building to allow for multiple tenants.

Peace River Paddle Sports is already operating on a limited basis while waiting for the building to be purchased and renovated. Owner Trey Flemer said he has spent \$43,000 of his \$63,000 allocation on equipment to now offer kayak and canoe rentals in Hardee County.

Flemer has purchased a van and 40 kayaks and canoes that are available to rent for trips down Peace River or to Hardee Lakes Park. He said he has established a full-time position for himself and two part-time jobs.

He is continuing to meet with investors to raise additional capital and will cover the cost gap with his personal money until revenue and capital can cover the expenses.

Bond said the company is growing and has added "hundreds" of users since the first of the year. In 2014 he expects to add an additional 40-70 jobs based on the number of projected contracts in the works.

• voted to have the County Commission, which appoints the members of the IDA, conduct a performance review of all members.

A motion was made by Gene Davis to evaluate recent appointees because he felt some members have been working against the IDA objective to create jobs and encourage economic development.

Jim See said he would second the motion if it was amended to include all board members, which it was.

The motion passed unanimously.



Friday Jan 24 5pm - 7pm
Saturday Jan 25 9am - 12 pm
HYFL Headquarters
(behind old Jr. high)



HYFL Spring Flag Sign Up!

All children (boys and girls) ages 5-16 are invited to come sign up for the 2014 Spring Flag Season this Friday and Saturday.

COMMUNITY WIDE LADIES EVENT

Get Over Yourself!



FRIDAY
JANUARY 31ST
TICKETS \$5

JENNIFER BECKHAM
www.jenniferbeckham.org

Are you feeling "stuck" in life –

stuck in the pain and the shame of the past?

Or stuck in the misery and the heartaches of today?

Then it's time to discover the seven practical principles that will get you "unstuck" and into a life of balance, fulfillment, confidence, and purpose.

It's time to Get Over Yourself and on with your destiny!

6:30 pm Doors Open Music & Mingle + 7:00 pm Event

Hardee County Agri-Civic Center

(515 Civic Center Drive, Wauchula, FL 33873)

Hosted by the Hardee County Ministerial Association

Visit www.agodworld.com for more information and ticket locations

Contact Erica Scheipsmeier at ericas.cpa@gmail.com or 863-781-4850 for information



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Mosaic's Streamsong Lodge Grand Opening

By JIM KELLY

Of The Herald-Advocate

The grand opening of Mosaic's Streamsong Lodge in south Polk County was held Friday, Jan. 17. The lodge has 216 rooms, plus there are 12 rooms at the clubhouse of the two golf courses (Red and Blue).

The new resort uses 2,300 acres of a 16,000-acre tract which was formerly mined for phosphate. Little Payne Creek flows through the property which touts world class bass fishing (catch and release) to match the world class golf courses, and lodge spa.

Several hundred people attended the grand opening. Streamsong has about 300 employees. Groundbreaking on the resort was about two years ago.

Mosaic President and CEO Jim Prokopanko said Streamsong is a unique resort, "not typical of anything." There is environmental and economic

sustainability.

He said Mosaic is the world's No. 1 producer of phosphate and potash. The company's mission is "to help the world grow the food it needs." Mosaic has 3,200 employees in Central Florida. "Mosaic restores the land, sometimes better than before."

Streamsong represents "innovation," said Prokopanko.

Mosaic Executive Vice President Rick Mack said Streamsong is "bold, unexpected, builds anticipation, and is remote yet accessible."

The Streamsong tract yielded over 100 million tons of phosphate rock which supported thousands of families and helped feed the world. Mosaic owns 300,000 acres in Central Florida.

Mack said in 2008 the company started looking for a golf resort site. Parker Keen helped pick the site, which had lakes, sand dunes and wildlife. The sand dunes remind people of Ireland, Scotland and Nebraska.

Mack said Streamsong offers world class golf, bass fishing, sporting clays, culinary, nature trails, spa and a decompression zone. "Southwest Polk County will get guests from across the United States and the world."

Architect of the lodge was Albert Alfonso, who said the six-story structure is layered, shows the four seasons, and represents the land, sky, trees, and shelter. "Streamsong is a gift from Mosaic. Florida was once underwater, which is the reason for fossils and phosphate."

U.S. Rep. Tom Rooney said Streamsong is "an amazing place. No other place is like Streamsong. It reminds me of 'if you build it, they will come' starring Kevin Costner."

Adam Putnam, Florida commissioner of agriculture and fifth-generation citrus grower and cattleman, said the world has seven billion people and will have nine billion by 2050.

"We live in a world of abundance, due to agriculture and phosphate. This will help the area in culinary, tourism and hospitality."

Streamsong has helped answer the big question, "What comes next after phosphate?" Florida already has 90 million visitors annually. Streamsong puts Central Florida on the map. Putnam also praised Rep. Rooney for helping get \$20 million in federal funds for citrus research.

Jim Abrahamson represents a company that manages Streamsong and 400 other resort properties throughout the world. He said Streamsong hired 300 employees out of 7,000 applicants.

Josh Lesnik, president of Kemper Sports, said Streamsong's Red and Blue golf courses are among the top 100 golf courses in the world. He noted golf writers were coming to Streamsong over the weekend.



In foreground is lodge architect Albert Alfonso.



This is a replica of jaws from a 50 to 60-foot-long Megalodon shark which vanished two million years ago. It was estimated to weigh 200 tons. Its teeth have been found on the Streamsong site.



A ribbon-cutting was held Jan. 17 in front of the Streamsong Lodge.

PHOTOS BY JIM KELLY



From left are Herschel Morris and Richard Ghent of CF and Florida Commissioner of Agriculture Adam Putnam.



From left are Karen Whaley, representing State Rep. Ben Albritton; State Rep. Cary Pigman; DeSoto County Commissioner Bob Miller; U.S. Rep. Tom Rooney; Hardee County Commissioner Sue Birge; and Vanessa Hernandez of Mid Florida Credit Union.



Wauchula Mayor Keith Nadasky enjoyed the grand opening with Parker Keen, who helped pick the site, and his wife Shari Keen.



From left are Bowling Green Postmaster Dee Williams-Tatis, Duda President and CEO David Duda, and Wauchula State Bank Chairman Bill Crews.

Obituaries

In Loving Memory



THOMAS MARSHALL GOUGH

Thomas Marshall Gough, 76, of Wauchula, passed away Thursday, Jan. 16, 2014, at his home.

Born on June 8, 1937, in Wauchula, he was a Hardee County resident most of his life. Thomas was a farmer and rancher and was a member of Oak Grove Baptist Church.

He was preceded in death by his father, Horace Gough.

Survivors include his mother, Doris Ryhan of Wauchula; companion, Carolyn Gilliard of Wauchula; one son, Jamie Gough of Zolfo Springs; one daughter, Marsha Fields of Zolfo Springs; one brother, Terry Gough and wife Norma Jean of Bushnell; one sister, Delores Rutledge and husband Harry of Orlando; and four grandchildren, Tanner, Mason and Kendall Gough and Jordan Gibbs.

Visitation was Monday, Jan. 20, 2014, at Oak Grove Baptist Church from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m., with funeral services at 10:30 a.m. with the Rev. Jim Davis officiating. Interment was at New Zion Cemetery.

Expressions of comfort may be made at robartsfh.com.

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In Memory

CECIL E. EVERE JR.

Feb. 27, 1932 —

Jan. 17, 2014

Cecil E. Evers Jr., 81, of Sarasota, formerly of Ona, went to be with the Lord on Friday, Jan. 17, 2014.

Private family Graveside Services with military honors will be at Sarasota National Cemetery on Clark Road on Friday, Jan. 24, 2014, at 10:30 a.m. Memorial Services will be held on Saturday, Jan. 25, 2014, at 11:30 a.m. at Friendship Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife of 31 years, Barbara; two sons, Cecil "Buddy" Evers and Beth of Bonifay and Joey Walter and Angel of Clermont; two daughters, Pamela Gavette and Jeff and Melissa Eastman of Sarasota; one brother, Clayton and Fay of Wauchula; two sisters, Arlene Platt and Pershing of Zolfo Springs and Alice "Susie" Norris and BJ of Wauchula; one sister-in-law, Jane Evers of Sarasota; and nine grandchildren, Cecil "Lee" and Benjamin Evers, Zoe and Maya Gavette, Taylor Swartz, Danny Eastman, and Joey, Micah and Aaron Walter.

Cecil was a member of Friendship Baptist Church. He was a US Air Force Veteran and was retired from the U.S. Postal Service as a clerk.

Cecil was a loving husband, father and grandfather who loved his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and will be truly missed.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made in Cecil's name to Loveland Center, 157 S. Havana Rd, Venice, FL 34292 or The Gideons International, PO Box 50561, Sarasota, FL 34232.

Condolences may be offered at palmsrobartsfuneralhome.com

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Sarasota



CHARLES HERMAN WILLIAMS

Charles Herman Williams, died on Tuesday, Jan. 14, 2014.

He worked as a butcher and also for IMC as a pit operator.

Survivors include his wife, Ella Mae Williams; two children, Debbie Bruce and husband Jene of Lake Wales and Charles R. Williams (Bobby) and wife Betty of Fort Green; granddaughter, Angela Guy of Wauchula; grandson, Jerry A. Lovett of Bartow; great-granddaughter, Lauren Ball of Wauchula; great-grandson, Lane Ball of Wauchula; five stepchildren, Betty Croy of Bowling Green, Carol and Ed Sockalosky of Zolfo Springs, Paul and Susan Miller of Zolfo Springs, Daniel and David and Brenda Miller of Wauchula; 12 grandchildren and 24 great-grandchildren.

Cremation services have taken place.

In Loving Memory

DEBORAH LYNNE RICHARDSON

Deborah Lynne Richardson, 41, of Zolfo Springs, passed away on Thursday, Jan. 16, 2014, at Moffitt Cancer Center in Tampa.

Born on Feb. 9, 1972, in Wauchula, she was a lifelong resident. Deborah was a cook at Pizza Hut in Wauchula.

She was preceded in death by her son, Arric Ray Minton.

Survivors include her mother, Carol Gause of Zolfo Springs; three sons, Christopher Minton of Zolfo Springs, James Ray Minton of Tennessee and Cody Wayne Richardson of Au-burndale; one brother, Lewis Richardson of Zolfo Springs; and several aunts, uncles and cousins.

Visitation was Monday, Jan. 20, 2014, at Robarts Garden Chapel from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. Graveside services and burial were at Lake Dale Cemetery at 4 p.m. with Pastor Dwain Willis officiating.

Expressions of comfort may be made at robartsfh.com.

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In Loving Memory

JUAN SANCHEZ JR.

Juan Sanchez Jr., 54, of Bowling Green, passed away on Thursday, Jan. 16, 2014, at home.

Born on Dec. 7, 1959, in Sinton, Texas, he came to Wauchula from Texas in 1968. Juan was a concrete worker and was a Catholic.

He was preceded in death by his father, Juan Sanchez.

Survivors include his mother, Felicitas Sanchez; one son, Juan Sanchez, III of Bowling Green; one daughter, Sofia Lynn Sanchez of Bowling Green; one brother, Joel Sanchez and wife Debbie of Wauchula; three sisters, Josefina Alcantar and husband Juan of Immokalee, Lydia Gallegos and husband Pedro of Wauchula; one granddaughter, Gabriela Torres; and 12 nieces and nephews.

Visitation was Sunday, Jan. 19, 2014, at Robarts Garden Chapel from 4 to 5 p.m. Funeral services are at 5 p.m. with Antonio Montalvo officiating.

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COMMUNITY Calendar

THURSDAY, JAN. 23

✓ Hardee County School Board, regular meeting, Board Room, 230 S. Florida Ave., Wauchula, 5 p.m.

✓ Hardee County Commission, reschedule evening and zoning meeting, Room 102, Courthouse Annex I, 412 W. Orange St., Wauchula, 6 p.m.

✓ Zolfo Springs Town Commission, reschedule monthly meeting, Town Hall, 3210 U.S. 17 North, Zolfo Springs, 6 p.m.

TOP Of The Charts

as of Sept. 30, 2013

Top 10 Pop Singles This Week Last Week

1. Pitbull feat. Ke\$ha No. 2 "Timber"

2. One Republic No. 3 "Counting Stars"

3. Eminem feat. Rihanna No. 1 "The Monster"

4. Lorde No. 4 "Royals"

5. A Great Big World & Christina Aguilera No. 5 "Say Something"

6. Katy Perry No. 11 "Dark Horse"

7. Passenger No. 7 "Let Her Go"

8. Avicii No. 10 "Wake Me Up!"

9. Miley Cyrus No. 12 "Wrecking Ball"

10. Imagine Dragons No. 6 "Demons"

Top 10 Albums

1. Soundtrack No. 4 "Frozen"

2. Beyoncé No. 1 "Beyoncé"

3. Eminem No. 3 "The Marshall Mathers LP 2"

4. Katy Perry No. 5 "Prism"

5. Lorde No. 7 "Pure Heroine"

6. One Direction No. 2 "Midnight Memories"

7. Luke Bryan No. 14 "Crash My Party"

8. One Republic No. 19 "Native"

9. Various Artists No. 12 "Now 48"

10. Imagine Dragons No. 9 "Night Visions"

Top 10 Hot Country Singles

1. Florida Georgia Line No. 1 "Stay"

2. Luke Bryan No. 3 "Drink a Beer"

3. David Nail No. 4 "Whatever She's Got"

4. Luke Bryan No. 2 "That's My Kind of Night"

5. Cole Swindell No. 7 "Chillin' It"

6. Cassadee Pope No. 5 "Wasting All These Tears"

7. Eli Young Band No. 8 "Drunk Last Night"

8. Jason Aldean No. 9 "When She Says Baby"

9. Zac Brown Band No. 10 "Sweet Annie"

10. Parmalee No. 6 "Carolina"

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To Your Good Health

By Dr. Paul G. Donohue

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: I am 71 years old and have been diagnosed with chronic heart failure. In October of last year, I had triple bypass surgery, but now I'm in good health. Some things I have read about chronic heart failure are unnerving. Will you give me your take on what lies ahead for me?

S.T.

ANSWER: Heart failure, chronic heart failure and congestive heart failure are the same condition. It's one of the most common reasons why older people are hospitalized. The basic problem is that the heart has become so weak that it circulates blood poorly. Such poor circulation permits fluid to ooze out of blood vessels and "congest" tissues in the feet, ankles and lower legs. The lungs fill with fluid, which brings on heart failure's cardinal feature — gasping for breath on even slight exertion.

Other signs of heart failure are breathlessness when lying in bed, heart enlargement, seen on X-rays, and the doctor's discovery of lung sounds that indicate the lungs have fluid in them.

Numerous conditions lead to heart failure. At the top of the list is coronary artery disease, the blockage of heart arteries that often brings on a heart attack. This must be why your heart failed. You did have surgery to

correct blocked heart arteries, but they did their damage well before surgery took place. Heart valve problems, high blood pressure and atrial fibrillation are other causes of heart failure.

Medicines usually can get the heart beating with greater vigor and can lessen or abolish most symptoms. Anything that affects heart function must be treated.

High blood pressure, for example, has to be lowered.

You might think that inactivity is best **Donohue** for your heart — it isn't. Your doctor will outline a program that keeps you active to the level that your heart can tolerate. Walking is one example, but more strenuous exercise is encouraged when your heart becomes stronger. You should be on a low-salt diet.

You ought not to be discouraged about your outlook. The life span of people with congestive heart failure has increased by 15 percent in men and by 5 percent in women in just the past decade.

The increment in women's life span is smaller because women live longer, on average, than men.

Readers can order the booklet on congestive heart failure by writing: Dr. Donohue -- No. 103W, Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475.

32853-6475. Enclose a check or money order (no cash) for \$4.75 U.S./\$6 Canada with the recipient's printed name and address. Please allow four weeks for delivery.

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: My EKG report, sent to me, says "left axis deviation." Is that a big deal?

— M.Y.

ANSWER: It means that that electric signal originating in the upper heart chamber and responsible for each heartbeat takes a different route to reach the lower heart chambers, the pumping chambers.

In the absence of symptoms, it's not a dangerous thing. You don't have to dwell on it. I take it you have a doctor who ordered the EKG. That doctor will follow up to see if you have any hidden heart trouble. The condition is not an emergency situation.

Dr. Donohue regrets that he is unable to answer individual letters, but he will incorporate them in his column whenever possible. Readers may write him or request an order form of available health newsletters at P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475.

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Dr. Barbara Carlton, left, and friend Barbara Curnutt of Georgia were successful in harvesting two Osceola gobblers during the fall turkey season. The spring gobbler season runs from March 15 thru April 20.

LITERACY WINNERS



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Literacy Week was recently celebrated at Bowling Green Elementary School with a Guessing Game on Literacy Facts. Each grade group participated, and the winner in each level who had the closest guess to the correct answer was rewarded with a Walmart gift card. Shown up front (from left) are Nayeli Solis-Salas, second grade, and Roman Flores, kindergarten; (back) Stuart Durastanti, assistant principal; Kaylee Bautista, fifth grade; Christopher Hansen, third grade; Darrell Hines, fourth grade; Omar Morales, first grade; and Kathy Clark, principal.

BGE'S BEST!



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Bowling Green Elementary recently honored its school-site Teacher of the Year, Carey Crawford, and School-Related Person of the Year, Bunny Faulkner. Crawford has been a teacher at the school for eight years. She has taught first, fifth and, presently, second grades. Faulkner has been a paraprofessional with Hardee County for over 10 years. She is currently working with fifth-grade students but has experience with other grade levels. Pictured (from left) are Stuart Durastanti, assistant principal; Crawford; Faulkner; and Kathy Clark, principal.

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Bowling Green Makes \$150,000 Conditional Offer For Old Inn

By JIM KELLY

Of The Herald-Advocate

The Bowling Green City Commission on Tuesday, Jan. 14, voted 4-0 to offer \$150,000 to buy the old Bowling Green Inn based on certain conditions.

The owner is Gary Delatorre who had offered the property for \$325,000. The Inn is located at U.S. 17 and Main Street, the northwest corner. Family Dollar Stores has previously expressed interest in buying that corner or the City Hall corner for a store. Delatorre has a county permit to have the Inn torn down if the need exists.

Commissioner Sam Fite made the motion to buy the property, pending available funding to restore the Inn, an estimate of repairs, getting approval from various agencies, costs of renovation, and if repairs are feasible. The motion was seconded by Stuart Durastanti and approved by Mayor Shirley Tucker and commissioner Richard Barone.

Fite said the down payment could be negotiated if the conditions are met and said Delatorre could still make a profit on the Inn which had been in foreclosure proceedings.

The city could move its offices, police department and possibly the fire department to the Inn site. More property might be needed to the north or west to provide enough parking.

Julie Durrance asked the city to purchase and restore the Inn which would make "a beautiful city office," she said the Inn is a significant historic building in the city and should not be torn down. The Inn dates to 1929 and has a history of being an Inn, a rehab center, restaurant and girls' juvenile facility. "The owner is willing to work with the city."

Barone said he would "love to



Mayor Shirley Tucker presents a plaque to Police Capt. Brett Dowden for 15 years of service.

see this happen, but I am concerned with the structure of the building."

Durrance recently toured the building with the owner and mayor and said they saw no mold and said the roof does not leak. City Attorney Gerald Buhr said such potential issues as termites, asbestos, lead pipes, radon gas and soil contamination should be checked.

Several residents including Gretta Jones, Joe Jones, Chuck Dixon and Louise Gantt spoke in favor of the city acquiring the Inn. The property is 130 by 180 feet. The City Hall property is 135 by 300 feet.

Police Capt. Brett Dowden was honored for his 15 years of service with a plaque from the mayor.

The commission voted 3-1 to increase commissioner salary from \$150 to \$250 a month and the mayor salary from \$200 to \$300 a month. Fite voted no.

An election was set for Tuesday, Feb. 18, for a commission seat to replace Randy Mink who resigned last month due to health reasons. Qualifying will

be the week of Jan. 27.

The commission voted 4-0 to deny a request by Jerry Romine of Ellen's Thrift Shop to reduce a water/sewer bill of \$439 due to a leak.

The city will advertise for bids to sell and remove a 1992 mobile home from the Phillips property recently purchased by the city. The site is south of the city sewer plant.

Jean Kelly suggested the city have a Spring city-wide cleanup. Barone suggested the city look into recycling bins or trailers to make the city more "green."

The commission approved spending up to \$20,000 for an engineering study to find a site for treated sewer effluent. The contract with Mosaic to accept the treated wastewater has expired, and tougher standards are coming.

The city found out a 10-acre site near the sewer plant will not work as a sprayfield. Different sites need to be evaluated. Mosaic does not want to renew the agreement, which expired six-years ago, said City Manager Jerry Conery.

SHE WORKED AT BEN FRANKLIN'S FOR \$1.25

By KAITLIN STEWART

Special To The Herald-Advocate

My interview was with Cindy Todd. Q: When and where were you born?

A: Dec. 19, 1956, in Wauchula at the Palmetto Clinic.

Q: How was your life growing up?

A: My life was good and bad. Everyone has their ups and downs in life, and that's how my life was.

Q: Was your life difficult growing up?

A: It was wonderful. I had a wonderful neighbor and amazing grandparents that took care of me.

Q: Did you like your school growing up?

A: Wauchula Elementary was my school, and it was a wonderful school.

Q: How did you get to school every day?

A: I walked to school. It was only three blocks away from where I lived.

Q: Was food cheaper back then?

A: Yes, most definitely. For example, you could buy a Coke for 25 cents and you could buy bubble gum for five cents.

Q: Were you a good child?

A: Yes, I was a good child. My sisters and I got along most of the time, and I did what my mom told me to do, like chores and keeping my room clean.

Q: What did you do when you were bored at home?

A: I would go to my friend's house and go exploring in the woods.

Q: Did you ever go out with friends when you were in your teens?

A: Every chance me and my friends got to go out, we would. We would go out on the back roads and listen to music and ride around.

Q: Were your parents strict?

A: My mom worked all the time with three jobs, and my dad didn't live with



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us.

Q: Did you go to college? If so, what college?

A: No, I couldn't afford college.

Q: What was your first job?

A: My first job was at the Ben Franklin's dime store. My responsibility was cashier, and my check was \$1.25 an hour.

Q: When did you get your first house and moved out of your parent's house?

A: In 1974 I got married and moved to Bartow, and my husband and I bought our own house.

Q: Have you ever had a tragic event happen to you that you still remember today?

A: I was spending the summer with my uncle, and all of a sudden he just died. That summer was supposed to be a good summer, too.

Thank you so much, Nana, for letting me interview you. It was nice getting to know about your life growing up and how much different it is now.

Back In Time is the result of a class assignment given to ninth graders at Hardee Senior High School. Each student is asked to interview an older person. Selected interviews are published here as an encouragement to the students and for the enjoyment of our readers.

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By Angela Medearis



Eat Healthy All Day

The basis for a healthy eating plan should be fruits and vegetables; whole grains; low-fat or fat-free milk products; lean meats, poultry, fish; and beans, lentils and other legumes. Some foods stand out as superstars with many nutrients to enhance health and prevent disease. Here are some smart food choices to make every day.

Oats: A bowl of oatmeal is a great start to the day. Oatmeal provides soluble fiber, which can help lower blood cholesterol. This whole grain provides protein for muscle recovery and repair, and contains some antioxidants, which may have cardiovascular benefits. Try adding oats to some of your recipes including casseroles, meatloaf, muffins, breads and cookies.

Blueberries: This tasty fruit contains fiber and vitamin C, which is an antioxidant that aids in disease prevention, helps maintain bones and teeth, and helps the body absorb iron. Blueberries contain antioxidants called anthocyanidins, which give them their blue-red color. These antioxidants appear to

help neutralize damage to cells that can lead to many negative health conditions and diseases.

Blueberries also may play a role in brain health. Buy frozen blueberries when they are not in season and add them to cereal, desserts or oatmeal.

Yogurt: Low-fat or fat-free yogurt can serve as a snack or even as part of dessert. Yogurt has live cultures and good bacteria that may promote health, boost immunity and increase bone health. Some of the nutrients in yogurt include calcium and potassium, which are important for good bone health. Plus, yogurt contains protein, which helps you stay full longer. Top yogurt with blueberries and walnuts for a nutritious snack or breakfast. Yogurt also can serve as the base for creamy dips or dressings.

Black beans: All beans can promote health, but black beans contain anthocyanidins, the same antioxidant in blueberries. Black beans contain soluble fiber, which can help lower cholesterol. Beans contain protein as well, making them a good substitute for other protein foods that

may be high in fat. Beans also are low in calories, low in fat and inexpensive.

Walnuts: These nuts contain the most omega-3 fatty acids of all the tree nuts and peanuts. Omega-3 fatty acids help boost cardiovascular health, help decrease inflammation related to diseases and might improve cognitive function. Walnuts also have monounsaturated fat, a heart-healthy fat that can help lower cholesterol.

Tomatoes: Fresh tomatoes may not be available year-round, but processed tomato products such as stewed tomatoes, tomato

sauce and tomato juice can be found any time of year. The red color of tomatoes comes from lycopene, a phytochemical that the body absorbs better from processed tomato products. Lycopene can help prevent prostate cancer and might improve bone health. Tomatoes also contain vitamins A and C, both of which are antioxidants.

Carrots: Bugs Bunny probably has great eyesight, thanks to the beta carotene that gives carrots their orange color. Beta carotene helps protect against some cancers and cardiovascular (heart) disease. This compound also can help protect your lungs, especially if you smoke. In addition, carrots contain vitamin C, vitamin K, fiber and potassium.

Spinach: We all know that spinach makes Popeye stronger, probably because this dark green veggie is full of vital nutrients. Spinach provides us with vitamin K to help with blood clotting. It also contains vitamin A for healthy skin and vision, folate for red blood cell formation and proper cell division, and iron for oxygen transport within the body. Spinach also contains

some calcium, potassium (which can help lower blood pressure) and fiber.

It's easy to add all of these foods to your daily diet by having oatmeal topped with blueberries for breakfast, and my recipe for Power-Packed Spinach Salad with Greek Yogurt Dressing for lunch or dinner. The black beans act as a protein in this delicious salad. You also can top the salad with an additional protein such as lean chicken or beef, turkey, fish or tofu, for a heartier meal. Add these foods to your menu and enjoy the many health benefits from these nutritional all-stars!

POWER-PACKED SPINACH SALAD

4 ounces (2/3 of 6 ounce carton) plain Greek yogurt
1 1/2 teaspoons lemon juice
1 1/2 teaspoons fresh or dried chopped mint, basil or parsley
3/4 teaspoon honey or agave syrup
1 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon black pepper
5 cups baby spinach
1 (15-ounce) can black beans, drained and rinsed

4 ounces feta cheese, crumbled
12 grape or cherry tomatoes, halved
1/4 small red onion, thinly sliced
1/2 cup shredded carrots
10 walnut halves, toasted

In a small bowl combine yogurt, lemon juice, herbs, honey or agave syrup, salt and pepper and mix well. In a large bowl, combine spinach, black beans, cheese, tomatoes, onions, carrots and walnuts. Pour desired amount of dressing over salad and toss until well-combined. Serves 4.

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Florida Crop Update

Week Ending: January 19, 2014

Weather Summary: The majority of the State reported one inch or below of rain this week, with the exception of MacClenny (Baker County) with 1.82 inches, according to Florida's Automated Weather Network (FAWN). Maximum temperatures ranged from the 60s to the 80s, with the highest temperature in Fort Lauderdale (Broward County) at 84 degrees. Hard freezes were felt in the Panhandle and north Florida. The lowest temperatures in the State were 23 degrees in Defuniak Springs (Walton County) and 24 degrees in Jay (Santa Rosa County).

Field Crops: Farmers in the Panhandle were planting winter cover crops. Rain was beneficial to earlier plantings. Sugarcane harvest proceeded as scheduled in Hendry, Palm Beach, and Glades counties.

Fruit and Vegetables: Potatoes were being planted in Saint Johns County. Cabbage was harvested in Okeechobee County. Some losses on vegetables and strawberries were reported in Bradford County due to frost and cold temperatures. The southern part of the State, Charlotte, Collier, Glades, Hendry, and Lee Counties, reported some damage in colder areas with frosted tops on plants. Vegetables and fruits marketed in the State included avocados, beets, cucumbers, cabbage, escarole, mustard, tomatoes, peppers, herbs, eggplant, squash, strawberries, sweet corn, sweet potatoes, snap beans, radishes, lettuce, kale, and a variety of specialty items.

Citrus: Rain was light in most of the citrus area this week. All but one station recorded at least a trace of precipitation. Five stations recorded a half inch or more. Putnam Hall (Putnam County) recorded the most precipitation with 1.33 inches. Indian River (Indian River County) recorded the least with no rainfall measured. High temperatures were in the lower 70s to lower 80s through most of the citrus growing area. Growers and caretakers continued to irrigate due to dry conditions. As per the U.S. Drought Monitor, last updated January 14, 2014, abnormally dry conditions cover most of the southern growing areas and portions of the northern, central, and Indian River areas. The western growing area and the southern portion of the Indian River area remain drought free. The majority of the active commercial citrus groves in the State are drought free.

Field workers reported small sizes on all varieties. Grove activity included harvesting, hedging and topping after harvest, resetting of new trees, pushing of dead groves and replanting new citrus, mowing, fertilizing and psyllid control. Thirty-nine of 43 packing-houses had opened and had begun shipping small quantities of fruit. Fifteen of nineteen processing plants were open.

Livestock and Pastures: The cattle condition for the State was fair to good as was the pasture condition. Cattlemen were feeding hay and supplements across the State. Cold weather and frost throughout the State contributed to pasture decline. Drought was the main contributing factor for the poor pasture condition in the central and southern parts of the State.

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Wauchula Police On The Move

By JOAN SEAMAN

Of The Herald-Advocate

Less than a year on the job, Wauchula Police Chief John Eason is planning a lot for his department.

One of the first priorities is getting new patrol cars. Several have over 100,000 miles on them in covering the 27 miles of city streets 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

At the Jan. 13 meeting of the Wauchula City Commission, replacing the law enforcement fleet was topic of discussion. City Manager Terry Atchley said the city currently did not have the funding to replace the aging 12-vehicle fleet, which includes 10 patrol vehicles, the administrative truck and animal control vehicle.

An alternate plan would be the lease/purchase of three vehicles this year and two for each of the next two years, hopefully then getting on a regular replacement schedule, cycling two new and trading two old in for surplus.

The new cars will come with a five-year warranty, and will be fully equipped, with light bars, sirens, radios, cages, heavy-duty suspension, everything necessary to put them into service immediately.

The police department budget includes \$18,000 for vehicle maintenance and has been exceeding it because of the use and age of the vehicles.

The department staff includes the chief, Lt. Matthew Whatley, who is second in command, Det. Chris LeConte in charge of investigations, and 10 other officers on the full-time roster. There are also eight part-time officers, animal control officer Steve Parsley, crossing guards

and office personnel.

There are two officers covering the city on days, two at nights and often a part-time officer also at night when there is a lot of activity, especially on weekends.

Eason, who began work on Feb. 12, 2013, has begun a series of programs for the community.

He notes a couple of concerns. One is a scam where people are called and told they won something, but have to get a green dot money pack and send it in to cover expenses of getting the prize to them. Of course, the prize or award never comes.

There have been a series of burglaries, and some have been solved, including returning stolen articles to the owners. Eason said residents need to be aware if they see someone in their neighborhoods they don't recognize. "It never hurts to get them checked out," he said.

Along with that, Eason mentioned an occasional problem with officer safety as the reason more than one officer may respond to a disturbance. "It's about officer safety. If there is more than one person involved, one can obstruct or distract an officer," explained Eason.

For instance, an officer may have someone on the ground, securing him and checking for weapons, when another person gets involved verbally or physically. In those cases, another officer can defuse the situation by controlling other subjects. The person interfering can be arrested on charges such as resisting/obstructing arrest.

Eason and his staff have worked up a couple of programs for the community.

One is CPR (cardiopulmonary resuscitation) and First Aid. The first course is next month at the Health Department. Cost is \$30 for each course, or \$50 if someone takes both the CPR and First Aid. The courses will be offered every four to six weeks as needed.

Any excess funds, after purchase of books and supplies, will be used to purchase atrial external fibrillators for every patrol car, and in administration, utility and eventually all city buildings.

Eason said statistics show that 80 percent of heart attacks happen outside a hospital. If treatment is not given within five to seven minutes, the loss of oxygen can cause brain damage. "It's better to know something to do; something is better than nothing. Fibrillators help until emergency medical care arrives on the scene."

Another community program Eason is setting up is a free two-hour women's self-defense class, enabling women and teenage girls to prevent events and/or escape them if they occur (see related article on Page B1).

Finally, Eason is beginning to develop a plan for where the department needs to be three years from now. He will be asking input from civic organizations, religious groups and citizens on their priorities.

The city is presently preparing for its fifth accreditation renewal. When that is over, more attention can be paid to the special programs. The department has recently changed from its light blue tops to dark navy uniforms. Patrol cars are also getting a new design. During the transition, citizens may see both old and new formats.

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Class Teaches Women To Protect Themselves

By JOAN SEAMAN

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Awareness is 90 percent of a woman's protection.

Any woman who wants to learn the basics of self-defense, empowerment and preventing crimes against them can attend a free class offered by the Wauchula Police Department. When and where the free classes will be held depends on how many women are interested.

A class also can be scheduled for any organization or group of women who request it. Participants will receive a portfolio of pamphlets at the end of the class to remind them of the techniques they have learned.

The two-hour class is open to females age 13 and up, except girls 13 to 18 have to be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

The best defense may be awareness that prevents injury.

Know options that will allow a woman to avoid, escape and survive assaults or other threats.

Woman can learn to trust their sixth sense and learn five ways not to look like a victim. They can learn seven strategies for survival and how not to be vulnerable.

Women taking the class should expect light physical activity in a relaxed, non-intimidating environment. They will learn how to avoid confrontation, but also basic self-defense if it is needed to save their lives.

The ultimate goal is to STOP violence against women by teaching them strategies, techniques, options and prevention of risks.

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SOUTH FLORIDA STATE COLLEGE FOUNDATION



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Donald Applequist, executive director of South Florida State College and dean of resource development, spoke to the Hardee County Rotary Club on Wednesday, Jan. 8, at the Java Cafe. Sandy Scott won the Queen of Hearts contest and \$1,178.50. SFSC began in 1965 as a community college and recently became a state college, offering four-year degrees in elementary education, management and supervision, and nursing. The Foundation was started in 1984 and today manages \$13 million in assets, including 60 percent stocks and 40 percent fixed income securities, averaging a nine percent annual return on assets. Florida has 28 state colleges and community colleges. SFSC manages the Take Stock in Children program for at-risk children in the seventh grade, then follows them through high school. Kelly Mancillas of Hardee County recently won \$40,000 in scholarships. The college owns the old Jacaranda Hotel in Avon Park where 65 students live, the old Lorida school, and the Teacherage in Sebring. Hardee residents who serve on the Foundation board of directors are Terry Atchley, Joe L. Davis Sr., Robin Weeks, Christy Crews, Candace Preston, and Michael Kelly. In photo from left are Sandy Scott, Michael Kelly, Don Applequist, Foundation director of planned giving Jane Hancock, and club president Terry Atchley.

1990s SCHOOL BOARD REUNION



PHOTO BY JIM KELLY
Members of the Hardee County School Board of the 1990s met for lunch Wednesday, Jan. 8, at the Java Cafe in Wauchula to reminisce. In 1994 the board earned a Master Board Recognition plaque from the state. Highlights of the era included starting the Hardee County Education Foundation, the Cats Bank at Hardee High School to teach students about saving and spending, job sharing for teachers, and hiring Johnson Controls to save about a million dollars of electricity annually. Former superintendent of schools Derrel Bryan and deputy superintendent Rocky Kitchens also attended. In front row are Bryan, 1992-2000; Wayne Godwin, 1992-98; and Rocky Kitchens, 1992-2008. In back row are Bruce Perrine, 1990-98; Jerold Knight, 1990-2002; Jim Stallings, 1992-2004; and Donnie Autry, 1992-2004.

SHERRY WHITE MINISTRIES



PHOTO BY JIM KELLY
Sherry White of Sherry White Ministries spoke to the Wauchula Kiwanis Club on Tuesday, Jan. 6, at the Panda Restaurant. They operate a women's program called Lydia's House, a men's program called Mercies of David, a farm called Pioneer Village for family restoration, plus an orphanage in Guerra, Dominican Republic. She said, "A person will never stop using drugs until the pain of the consequences is stronger than the pleasure of their high. In the absence of tough love, the addict always becomes sicker and sicker." Addicts generally have a co-dependent enabler, usually a mother, said White. "Co-dependent enablers, take away the consequences from the addict. They are often sicker than the addict. Parents need to detach themselves. There will never be a change with co-dependent enabling parents." Lydia's House in Wauchula has four women, a housemother and two graduates, with a capacity of 12 women. Mercies of David has four men and one director, with a capacity of 12. The orphanage has 5 to 20 orphans at any one time. The farm is for freezing and canning vegetables. SWM has opened an office at 313 West Main Street in Wauchula. They do not take government funding or charge addicts for treatment, which is faith-based. From left are Rita Crosby, Jennifer Bakely, Sherry White, Jamie Pelham, Rachel Chapa, and Rev. Randy Johnson (seated). The ministry was founded in 2001. For more information go to swministries.com.

ACTION CLUB OFFICERS INSTALLED



PHOTO BY JIM KELLY
New officers for the Aktion Club were installed Tuesday, Jan. 14, at the sponsoring Wauchula Kiwanis Club at the Panda Restaurant. The club this past year performed over 500 community service hours and raised \$100 from pancake sales to buy Christmas presents for the Toys for Tots program. The club has 32 members, compared to 29 last year. From left are Mary Ellen Bate, director of operations; Jack Garnett, president; Tina Miller, treasurer; Ashlee Smith, vice president; Kevin Wyche, secretary; Rob Crowder, administrator; and Rev. Randy Johnson (seated), Kiwanis advisor.

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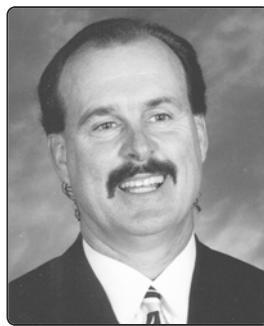
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Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Daw Jr.

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Natalie Luttrell Becomes The Bride Of Kenny Daw

Natalie Luttrell of Wauchula became the bride of Kenneth Daw Jr. of Wauchula in an early evening ceremony on Friday, Jan. 10, 2014.

The bride is the daughter of the late Janet Louise Luttrell Sweatt. The groom is the son of Kenneth Sr. and Tammy Daw of Wauchula.

The couple exchanged marriage vows in an outdoor setting at the home of the groom's parents. Officiating was Tina Jacobs.

"I Ain't Ready To Quit" by Jason Aldean, the couple's special song, was played by disc jockey Adam Newman.

The country theme was carried out with decorations provided by the groom's parents along with Rita Sweatt and Chrystina Diakomihalis. Nicole Bromley Daw served as photog-

rapher for the nuptials.

The bride was given in marriage by her brother, Terry Allen Sweatt.

Tending to the bride as matron of honor was Tina Jacobs. Bridesmaids included nieces Staci Macias, Selena Macias and Sophia Diakomihalis, all of Wauchula.

Niece Anna Diakomihalis was flower girl, while nephew Garret Bivens was the ring bearer.

Attending the groom was best man Craig Daw, the groom's brother, of South Dakota. Groomsmen included Talmadge Albritton, Junior Stevens and nephews Aiden Bivens and Christos Diakomihalis, all of Wauchula.

Following the ceremony, a wedding reception was held on the grounds.

Fort Green News

By Rilla Cooper

773-6710

Greetings from Fort Green! It was certainly colder this past Saturday night than the first freeze of the year. It seems to me like there was more publicity about covering your plants and taking care of your animals for the first mild freeze. It was down to 25 on our grove thermometer. I do not get up during the night to see how many hours it is below freezing. I do all I can do to protect the fruit and then just ask the Lord to take care of things.

What a great day we had at Fort Green Baptist last Sunday. It was baby dedication day, and this brought out the grandparents and aunts and uncles! The ones being dedicated were Bowen Davis, Trenton Duke, Colby Harrison, Sadianne McQuaig, Angel Ortiz and Addison Sonnier. Also, the boys of Joe and Dolene Fields, baby Lee and Dylan.

It was a pleasure to see Newt and Christine Murdock. Their three daughters and many grandchildren and some great-grandchildren were there. Amber was up, and she said they were all going out to eat to honor her Papa's 80th birthday, which is the 24th. Of course, they were all in attendance for the dedication of Addie, and she looked adorable but always does. In fact, all of the babies were dressed super and had some proud parents holding them.

Our sincere sympathy is extended to our pastor and Tara on the death and home-going of her mother. She had been in a nursing home for some time and was just waiting on her Lord to take her home.

Our sympathy is also extended to the family of Marshall Gough. He had been sick for some time, and it looked like he was winning the fight but instead made his final journey and went to be with the Lord.

My grandson, T.K., was working in the grove last Saturday cutting down dead trees and of course I had to be out there with him. I do not think it is safe for anyone to be alone when using a chainsaw. It started out as a cold day but quickly warmed up. The chain died on us so I had to go to Bowling Green to get a new one, and did not take the time to put on makeup or change out of my winter grove clothes and to-bog-gan.

While there, a lady — and I did not understand her name but she lives a little south of Zolfo — asked me if I knew the lady that wrote the news. I was almost ashamed to tell her "me" because I looked so terrible but warm! I appreciate everyone that tells me they read the news, and she said it let her know when her relative, David Spencer, was sick. I guess it does serve a purpose!

She also gave me some good advice for Sherman and his kidney stones: Eat all the beets you can. She said this was from her grandparents, and sometimes the old remedy is better than doctors.

When Sherman and I were on vacation a couple of years ago, we went to a craft show in one of the small North Carolina towns and a lady was selling handmade potato bags. Just bags sewed in quilted cloth. Being able to sew, I didn't purchase one but just figured I would make my own. Now they are advertising them on TV.

I had a brilliant idea (or I thought brilliant) and put a baking potato in a quilted glove mitt. It really did the job, and I had not put out any effort or money! Try it, they taste like they have been baked in the oven instead of the microwave.

Charles Abbott reported that his friend, Gene Roberts, was very ill with what appears to be the flu. If you haven't gotten a shot, maybe you should. Pray for Gene. Also, Cody Cowart is very low. Sherman is having a time getting over his last kidney stone attempted removal. Jerry White received a kidney transplant. Please pray for all of these.

There will be a workday at Fort Green this Saturday beginning at 9 a.m.

Pray for one another and our nation.

Florida Farm Bureau Wins Top National Award

For the second year in a row, Florida Farm Bureau has received a coveted national award for its programs and operations. The organization received the American Farm Bureau Federation's 2013 Pinnacle Award, the highest recognition conferred upon a state Farm Bureau.

Presented on Jan. 12 during the American Farm Bureau Federation's annual meeting in San Antonio, Texas, the award denoted Florida Farm Bureau as the best state Farm Bureau in the nation within its membership class.

Florida Farm Bureau President John Hoblick accepted the Pinnacle Award from national President Bob Stallman at a morning general session. Hoblick said he received the recognition on behalf of the all Floridians who are involved in Farm Bureau.

"I am so proud of the accomplishments of our volunteer leaders, state staff, our county employees and our agents," Hoblick stated later. "They have once again proven their outstanding capacity for dedicated work that secures positive results."

Florida Farm Bureau previously received the Award of Excellence for all categories.

Florida also garnered the President's Award in Public Relations and Communications, Education and Outreach, Mem-

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Register By Feb. 14 For Food Service Classes

A certified professional food manager review class and exam as well as the SafeStaff food-handler certificate program are being offered by Ridge Area Arc.

The food-handler class will be from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 27, at Ridge Area Arc's training room on the main campus of South Florida State College, 120 W. College Dr. in Avon Park.

The cost is \$15 per student and must be paid by 5 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 14. Checks can be made payable to Ridge Area Arc and mailed to 120 W. College Dr., Avon Park, FL 33825 or stop by the Arc administration office on College Drive to make a payment. When submitting payment, include your name, birthdate, address and phone number.

A certificate and an original wallet card will be presented to the students at the end of the class. The certification is valid for three years. Students only need to bring to class a No. 2 pencil and a picture identification.

Anyone in the food service industry or those who are inter-

ested in working in the field and want to obtain a certificate can enroll in this class, being taught by a certified professional food manager. Florida law requires that all food service employees be trained in an approved food safety program.

A public food service establishment has 60 days from the date of hire to train its employees with a Florida-approved food safety training program. This includes all employees responsible for food storage, preparation, display or any service of food and beverages.

Also offered is a food manager class and exam, on Saturday, March 1, at the Ridge Area Arc Training Room. Class time is from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The exam will be from 1:30-3:30 p.m.

The National Restaurant Association's ServSafe food protection manager certification is nationally recognized. It is good for five years from the exam date.

Every DBPR-licensed food service establishment must have at least one certified food manager, and one must be present any time four or more employ-

ees are engaged in preparation, storage or service of food. Managers have 30 days after employment to become certified.

First-time students will want to get a book and take the review class and exam. The cost is \$150 per student and will include the "ServSafe Manager Review Guide," class, exam and a First-Time Passing Guarantee for those attending the review class and buying the guide.

Those who just want to renew their certification can take the exam for \$90.

Register by Feb. 14 for the food manager class and exam.

For more details, call Cindy Marshall at (863) 452-1295, extension 124.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HARDEE COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL ACTION

CASE NO.: 252013CA000329

WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., Plaintiff,

vs.

ANGELLA R. COLEMAN, et al., Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF RESCHEDULED SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN Pursuant to an Order Rescheduling Foreclosure Sale dated December 16, 2013, and entered in Case No. 252013CA000329 of the Circuit Court of the Tenth Judicial Circuit in and for Hardee County, Florida in which Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., is the Plaintiff and Angella R. Coleman also known as Angella Renee Coleman a/k/a Angella Re Coleman, Carl B. Coleman also known as Carl Coleman a/k/a Carl Benjamin Coleman, Citifinancial, Inc., Tentant # 1, Tenant # 2, The Unknown Spouse of Angella R. Coleman also known as Angella Renee Coleman a/k/a Angella Re Coleman, The Unknown Spouse of Carl B. Coleman also known as Carl Coleman a/k/a Carl Benjamin Coleman, are defendants, the Hardee County Clerk of the Circuit Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash in/on Hardee County Courthouse, 2nd Floor, 417 W. Main Street, Wauchula, FL 33873, Hardee County, Florida at 11:00 a.m. on the 5th day of February, 2014, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment of Foreclosure:

LOTS 23 AND 24, BLOCK D, LABRIS SUBDIVISION, A SUBDIVISION AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 4, PAGE 5 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HARDEE COUNTY, FLORIDA. A/K/A 912 W PALMETTO ST WAUCHULA FL 33873-2552

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: December 16, 2013

**VICTORIA L. ROGERS
Clerk of Courts**

**By: Connie Coker
Deputy Clerk**

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the Office of the Court Administrator, (863) 534-4690, within two (2) working days of your receipt of this Notice of Rescheduled Sale; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call TDD (863) 534-7777 or Florida Relay Service 711.

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December Sales Rose Over 2012

The U.S. Census Bureau has announced that advance estimates of retail and food services sales for December 2013 increased 4.1 percent above December 2012.

Total sales for the 12 months of 2013 were up 4.2 percent from 2012.

A few highlights from December as compared to that same month in 2012 are:

Furniture and home furnishings, up 4.5 percent.

Electronics and appliance stores, down 1.4.

Building material and garden, up 2.1 percent.

Health and personal care stores, up 4.7.

Clothing and clothing accessories, up 5.2.

General merchandise stores, up 1.5 percent.

Department stores, down 3.3.

Non-store retailers, up 9.9 percent.

CRA May Help Upgrade Business

By JOAN SEAMAN
Of The Herald-Advocate

Getting a business up and going at the southwest corner of U.S. 17 and West Main Street may be a good investment.

Members of the Wauchula City Commission, sitting as the Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) board considered this possibility at length during its Jan. 13 meeting.

Lambert recalled the location was where the First Cracker Main Street and First Christmas Card Lane events were held and said it would be good to get an anchor tenant there.

Woods said she would have to consult the property owners, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard P. (Perry) Taylor to see if they would be able to absorb half of the proposed cost.

After much discussion, the CRA board decided to approve a commercial revitalization grant of up to \$14,175 for renovations at 101 West Main Street, a business which has been vacant for several years.

Catharine Taylor Woods spoke about the proposed changes at that property, which is a 4,000-square-foot building.

Since it is so difficult to rent such a large location, she proposes to break it down into a pair of 2000-square-foot units.

That will mean one will need a separate handicapped-accessible bathroom and air conditioning, with cost estimates from \$28,000 to \$31,000.

Woods said new wiring was installed in the building after Hurricane Charley and she has a good retail possibility to occupy half of the larger building.

"It's more feasible to rent 2,000 than 4,000 square feet," she said.

In related CRA matters, director Jessica Newman announced that the downtown parking lot projects were winding up with installation of lighting. A ribbon cutting will be held at the Town Center Parking Lot at 5:30 p.m. on Feb. 10, prior to the commission's 6 p.m. meeting that evening.

In conjunction with CRA, the city utility department is looking at contracting for landscaping services, at CRA lots as well as the U.S. 17 landscaping and cemetery maintenance.

"It could be less expensive that using city crews and save money in the city and CRA budgets," he said, as the commission approved an advertisement for an RFP (Request For Proposals) for that work.

Sports Quiz

By Chris Richcreek

1. In 1985, Tony Perez, at nearly 43, became the oldest major-league player to hit a grand slam. Whose record did he break?

2. During the 1980s, three major-leaguers each played for their father, who was the manager. Name the players.

3. In 2012, Northern Illinois' Jordan Lynch became the second quarterback to run for 1,500 yards and throw for 2,500 yards in a season. Who was the first?

4. Who held the NBA mark for most 3-point field goals made in a season before Golden State's Stephen Curry (272 made) broke it in the 2012-13 campaign?

5. Name the first Southern California hockey player to be drafted by an NHL team.

6. Which two teams have won the most Supporters' Shields (best regular-season record) in Major League Soccer history?

7. What medal, if any, did boxer Floyd Mayweather Jr. win at the 1996 Olympics?

ANSWERS

1. Honus Wagner was 41 when he did it in 1915. Julio Franco now holds the record, hitting one in 2004 at age 45.

2. Dale Berra, Billy Ripken and Cal Ripken Jr.

3. Michigan's Denard Robinson, in 2010.

4. Ray Allen hit 269 3-pointers for Seattle in the 2005-06 season.

5. Mike Lampman, in 1970.

6. D.C. United and the Los Angeles Galaxy, with four each.

7. He won a bronze medal, boxing in the featherweight division.

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that GRAY E. VANCE, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:

CERTIFICATE NO.: 479 YEAR OF ISSUANCE: 2006

Parcel ID Number 10-34-25-0843-00001-0002

Description of Property:

LOT 2 HARLEM HEIGHTS

SUBJECT TO RESERVATIONS, COVENANTS, RESTRICTIONS, AND EASEMENTS OF RECORD.

Name in which assessed: JOSE LOPEZ AND LOLA LOPEZ

Said property being in the County of HARDEE, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the Hardee County Courthouse, 417 West Main Street, second floor hallway outside of Room 202, Wauchula, FL 33873 on the 26TH day of FEBRUARY, 2014, at 11:00 a.m.

Dated this 16th day of JANUARY, 2014.

**Victoria L. Rogers
Clerk of Circuit Court
Hardee County, Florida
AD No: 1
By: LAURA L. BARKER, Deputy Clerk
Tax Deed File No.: 252013TD054XXXX
Pursuant to F.S. 197.512**

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CITY OF WAUCHULA NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

The General Pension Advisory Committee of the City of Wauchula will hold a Meeting on Tuesday January 28, 2014 at 9:30 a.m. or as soon thereafter as it reasonably can be held. Items on the agenda are as follows: Update on Pension fund, and any other business that may come before the Committee.

The meeting will be held at the Administrative Building located at 126 South 7th Avenue, Wauchula, FL 33873.

Pursuant to Section 286.0107, Florida Statutes, as amended, the City Commission hereby advises that any interested person decides to appeal any decision made by the City Commission with respect to any matter considered at the proceedings, he will need a record of the proceeding and that, for such purposes, he may need to insure that a verbatim record of the proceeding is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

The City Commission of the City of Wauchula, Florida does not discriminate upon the basis of any individual's disability status. This non-discriminatory policy involves every aspect of the Commission's functions, including ones access to, participation, employment, or treatment in its programs or activities. Anyone requiring reasonable accommodation as provided for in the Americans with Disabilities Act or Section 286.26, Florida Statutes, should contact the City Clerk at (863) 773-3131.

**CITY OF WAUCHULA
S/Richard K. Nadaskay Jr.
Mayor**

**ATTEST
S/Holly Smith
City Clerk**

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REQUEST FOR BIDS 1992 MOBILE HOME

The City of Bowling Green will be accepting sealed bids for a 1992, 28' x 44' double wide mobile home. The structure is located at 562 Lake Branch Rd., Bowling Green, FL and must be relocated. Bids will be received in the City Clerk's Office located at 104 E. Main St., Bowling Green, FL 33834 until 2:00 pm, Friday February 7, 2014 at which time and place they will be publicly opened and read aloud. Final acceptance of the winning bid will be made by the Bowling Green City Commission during their regular monthly meeting starting at 6:30 pm, Tuesday, February 11, 2014.

The City reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive informalities, and to re-advertise.

To obtain more information concerning the mobile home and required Bid information visit the City of Bowling Green website at bowlinggreenfl.org or contact the City Clerk's Office at 104 E. Main St., Bowling Green, FL. Phone 863-375-2255.

**CITY OF BOWLING GREEN
Mary Alice Tucker, Mayor**

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Jokes & Philosophies

By Truman A. Thomas

We have to admit that Aunt Bessie May was a big spender, and this is why Uncle George had it etched upon her gravestone: In loving memory of all my \$\$Money\$\$.

When we are young they call it being selfish. When we become older, they call it hard down greed, which is one of the deadly sins.

I ask you, are we now taking those baby steps down that treacherous path which Germany was led down in the late 1900s which cost them their freedom? Indeed, our religion is being ever so gently tampered with. Wake up, America. The end results could be, and will be, catastrophic.

The underprivileged look up to the big shots, while the big shots just look up.

Then I'll just borrow your ten till you can do better.

My Uncle Nort has been in and out of prison so many times they have retired his numbers. Now that is what I call being good at what you do, brother.

Have you ever met someone who used their mouth to inflate their ego?

The older we get the more cruel life becomes.

Her love for me is frail at best, and it probably would not hurt for it to be put on life support.

Have you ever met someone who used to be president of the Flat Earth Society?

You may describe gravity and even time, but you cannot reveal them by touch or smell or whatever. But still you certainly know they are there.
Truman A. Thomas, 77, is an Avon Park resident with many friends and associates in Hardee County. He is the father of Sherry White of Wauchula, and is a retired salesman and former radio disc jockey whose morning show topped the Nielsen Ratings. A self-described "little boy captive in an old man's body," he can be reached at 453-3589 or by writing 1098 Memorial Dr., Avon Park, FL 33825.

If Nostradamus would have written anything close to this!

Consider Testimonies Volume 9 beginning on Page 11 by E.G. White

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Way Back When

This week in history, as researched from the archival pages of The Florida Advocate, the Hardee County Herald and The Herald-Advocate ...

75 YEARS AGO

Twenty-five entomologists, engineers and doctors from New Jersey, New York and Delaware are making an extensive tour of Florida during the next two weeks for the purpose of inspecting salt-marsh mosquito control work and visiting local research laboratories.

A prize of 365 loaves of bread was presented to Mr. R.H. Peters, a strawberry grower who resides two miles west of Wauchula, for having the first family increase of 1939. The new arrival was born at 4:40 p.m. on Jan. 1. The Wauchula Baking Co., sponsors of this non-published contest, forgot to ask whether the new citizen was a boy or girl, but they believe the infant will thrive on Wau-chula bread regardless of sex.

The 10th annual edition of the Hardee County Strawberry Festival was unveiled to the public Monday. Late in the afternoon of Monday judges announced their decision on prize-winning booths. The community booth prepared by the city of Wauchula was awarded First Prize. This award carries with it the sum of \$60, which is paid by the festival association.

When it comes to canning farm products for future use, and even some for sale, Mrs. Fred L. Beutke of Alachua County ranks near the top in the state, and is one of three Home Demonstration Club members recently selected for special canning honors by the State Home Demonstration Department.

50 YEARS AGO

The crackdown on citrus fruit thieves includes keeping a close check on pickers in the wrong groves too many times, according to Sheriff Odell Carlton's report to the county commissioner's meeting Monday. Sheriff Carlton noted that Polk County has had quite some trouble with pickers going into the wrong grove and picking the fruit.

School authorities are planning a severe clampdown of student smoking on school grounds. Following a faculty meeting Monday afternoon, Hardee High School Principal Bryan Boatenghammer said that any student found smoking on the school property, or in possession of cigarettes, will be suspended from school for three days.

Hardee County has taken steps to assure that this area does not wind up with a disastrous outbreak of "canned heat" poi-

sining such as hit Polk County a week ago. The canned heat is an alcohol-based material that is used for cooking, but has been used for a binge by persons who are looking for inexpensive alcoholic beverages.

County Commissioner Ralph Smith noted in the commissioner's meeting Monday that trash on the highway is a terrible sight. Commission Clerk Ben Coker noted that under the new law any person or persons dumping on private land can be prosecuted.

25 YEARS AGO

Nurserymen have kept the fire burning in efforts to have Doyle Conner, commissioner of agriculture, jailed for contempt of court after the state failed to pay for citrus trees burned in the 1984 canker eradication program in Florida.

A man suspected of killing his wife and then turning the gun on himself in an unusually violent Hardee County new year's holiday weekend succumbed to his wounds earlier this month, the Hardee County Sheriff's Office has confirmed.

The driver of a stolen car was involved in an accident north of Wauchula Sunday night and fled the scene, leaving two persons injured and authorities searching for a suspect, according to a Florida Highway Patrol press release.

Area law enforcement officers arrested five persons on felony narcotic charges this past weekend, Hardee County Jail records show.

10 YEARS AGO

As plans for an international cargo airport in northwestern Hardee County intensify, changes in operations were announced Tuesday. John W. Reed, president of Van Fleet International Airport Development Group LLC, named well-known local businessman Marcus Shackelford as general manager of the Wauchula office of the corporation.

The Hardee Wildcats scored early and often in stopping the Avon Park Red Devils on Tuesday night. The frigid game ended early, when Hardee got its eighth goal with 11 minutes left in the game. Regulations mandate stopping the game when one squad has such a commanding lead.

A man who switched identities with his brother to sneak out of jail now will be spending a year there.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry H. Wiseman Sr. celebrated their 58th wedding anniversary last Tuesday at their home with family members and friends.

MEETING NOTICE HARDEE COUNTY CATTLEWOMEN

Thursday, Jan. 30 at 6:30pm
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Have you ever thought about getting involved? Please come and see what we are all about. We meet every quarter. For more information contact Michelle Crosby Taylor by email at: gandm@wild-blue.net or Gwen Shaw 781-5302.

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Paw's Corner

By Sam Mazzotta

DEAR PAW'S CORNER: How many treats is it safe to feed to a small dog at once? My grandmother always feeds two big fake pepperoni sticks to her Shih-Tzu after each walk. She walks "Cody" three times per day. **Cody is looking a little stout.**

— Lila S., Dothan, Ala.

DEAR LILA: Most pet-food products, including treats, have a suggested serving amount based on a dog's size. But in general, pet treats should make up no more than 10 percent of the pet's total daily calories.

Six "pepperoni"-flavored sticks per day is an awful lot of treats for a small dog. Does Cody eat all of his regular pet food as well? How much food is he given at his mealtimes?

It can be difficult to correct a situation like this when you're not the pet owner. However, you should give it a try. Ask your grandmother how Cody's last

veterinary exam went, and whether the vet mentioned his weight. Ask her if you can help monitor Cody's food intake, and try to convince her to reduce the amount of treats the dog receives after each walk. I'm willing to bet that if she feeds Cody just half a stick, breaking it into small pieces that she gives one at a time, the dog won't notice the reduced amount.

Find out from your grandmother if the vet has recommended a lower-calorie diet for Cody. If so, look at ways to get that calorie count down, and convince her to reduce the amount of treats to just one or two small bites of Cody's favorite pepperoni stick after each walk. Your grandmother may resist, but it's important for Cody's health and is a way to ensure a longer relationship with her favorite dog.

Send your questions or tips to ask@pawscorner.com.

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Agriculture

NOW PURCHASING citrus fruit for the 2014 season for Chapman Fruit Co. Call Frank Vasquez, 863-781-4133. 1:9-29p
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ATTENTION! State Statutes 489-119 Section 5 Paragraph B and Hardee County Ordinance 87-09 Section 10 Paragraph D require all ads for any construction-related service to carry the contractor's license number. tfc-dh

Yard Sales

FRIDAY, SATURDAY, 8 am -? 117 Pennsylvania Ave., Wauchula. Baby clothes, toys, furniture, etc. 1:23p

FRIDAY, 722 E. Bay Street. Blankets, clothes, tires, movies, misc. 1:23d

FRIDAY, SATURDAY, 9 am - 1 pm, 2370 Hwy. 17N, Wauchula. Kids DVDs, like new baby and toddler clothes, 3X mens, books, candles, shoes (new and used), plants, lots of misc. 1:23p

LOTS OF NEW TEEN clothing and lots of young ladies clothing. Beds and sofa beds from \$25 up. Bed frames, wrap around tub. All day Saturday. Some clothes \$1 bag. Edna's Place besides Double J Restaurant, US 17 South. 1:23c

SATURDAY, 3415 VA Lane off of Holland Town, Wauchula. Large yard sale. 1:23p

NEW THRIFT STORE in town. Country Life Thrift Shop. We have named brand clothes at a very reasonable price, furniture, and misc. Something for every age. New items daily. Open Mon. - Fri. 10 am - 5 pm. Sidewalk sale every Sat. 9 am to 2 pm. We accept donations. 725 South 6th Ave. (Hwy 17). Pink building near KFC. Come check us out. 1:23p

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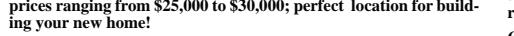
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—The Classifieds—

Claussen New Head Of Sports Health-Care Agency

The Board of Directors of Central Florida Health Care Inc. has named Ann Claussen as the new chief executive officer, effective Jan. 2.

Claussen replaces Gaye Williams, who retired on Dec. 31.



Williams

Central Florida Health Care now provides many of the med-

ical and dental services which are no longer offered by the Hardee County Health Department.

Claussen takes over the CEO role after serving as chief operational officer since June and after being on the Board of Directors for five years.

She will be able to utilize her extensive for-profit and broad non-profit expertise to help strengthen Central Florida Health Care.

Claussen has prior experience in the health-care industry and a degree in health-care education, along with extensive connections to a wealth of community resources related to hospitals, financing and governance.

Williams had served as the CEO more than 20 of the 39 years she worked for the organization.

The Board of Directors has



Claussen

named Williams "emeritus CEO," and has asked her to continue to serve as a mentor and an advocate.

The agency's mission is to increase access in medically underserved communities across the three-county service area of Hardee, Highlands and Polk counties.

Activities Center, 1046 Second St., SE, Fort Meade.

Tickets are \$10 at the door, with a choice of meatballs, pulled pork, chicken tetrazzini, wings or walking tacos. All proceeds go to the American Cancer Society.

Sen. Rubio Visit Next Wednesday

A representative of U.S. Sen. Marco Rubio will be in Wauchula next Wednesday, Jan. 29, from 3 to 5 p.m. at the Hardee County Public Library, 315 N. Sixth Ave. (U.S. 17 South), Wauchula.

Appointments aren't necessary. People are served on a first come, first served basis and are expected to bring all necessary documents, including Social Security cards for every household member.

Proof of all 2013 income, including interest and dividends, must be available.

Sheriff Plans Torch Run, Sales

Leading up to the April 15 Law Enforcement Torch Run, the Hardee County Sheriff's Office is also selling T-shirts for \$12 and hats for \$10.

Staff is also selling Special Olympics up-to-seven-day cruise raffle tickets, for which the drawing will be May 17.

Raffle tickets are one for \$5, three for \$10 and eight for \$20. For more information, call Ofc. Kim Pfeiffer at 773-0304, Ext. 229.

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Sports Quiz

By Chris Richcreek

1. In 2013, for the third time in major-league history, the reigning Cy Young Award winners (R.A. Dickey, David Price) faced each other in a regular-season game. Name either of the other two pairings.

2. How many times did pitcher Greg Maddux strike out 200 or more batters in a season during his 23-year major-league career?

3. In 2012, Adrian Peterson became the second Minnesota Vikings running back to have five consecutive 100-yards rushing games. Who was the first?

4. When was the last time before 2012 that Harvard's men's basketball team made the NCAA Tournament?

5. Name the last time before the 2013-14 season that the Colorado Avalanche started a season at least 6-0-0.

6. Austrian skier Mario Matt set a record in 2013 for the oldest skier (34) to win a World Cup slalom. Who had been the oldest?

7. Who was the last British men's golfer before Matt Fitzpatrick in 2013 to win the U.S. Amateur golf tournament?

ANSWERS

1. Frank Viola and Orel Hershiser (1989), and Tom Glavine and Roger Clemens (1999).

2. Once (1998), although he had at least 190 strikeouts in four other seasons.

3. Robert Smith, in 2000.

4. It was 1946.

5. It was the 1985-86 season, when the franchise was located in Quebec.

6. Finn Christian Jagge was 33 when he won in 1999.

7. Harold Hilton in 1911.



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ORANGE & BLUE REVIEW



What's New In Business

by Doris Ware, HSHS Business Teacher

Today's world is an exciting one with new technology coming out and changing every day. Adults and students must stay on top of all the new changes and keep trained in them to be competitive in today's work place. With that in mind, Hardee Senior High School is working toward giving our students the best computer training available to them at the high school level. It is important for students to take advantage of the free opportunities available to them.

Students have the opportunity to earn their Microsoft Office Specialist Certifications (MOS) during high school. This industry certification is the leading IT certification in the world with more than 1 million MOS exams taken every year in over 140 countries. With this certification, students can certify in Microsoft Office 2010 Word, PowerPoint, Excel, and Outlook. Students will demonstrate the knowledge, skills, and abilities to productively use Microsoft Office. With this training, students tap into the full features and functionality of the Microsoft Office system, resulting in heightened levels of individual performance, confidence, and differentiation.

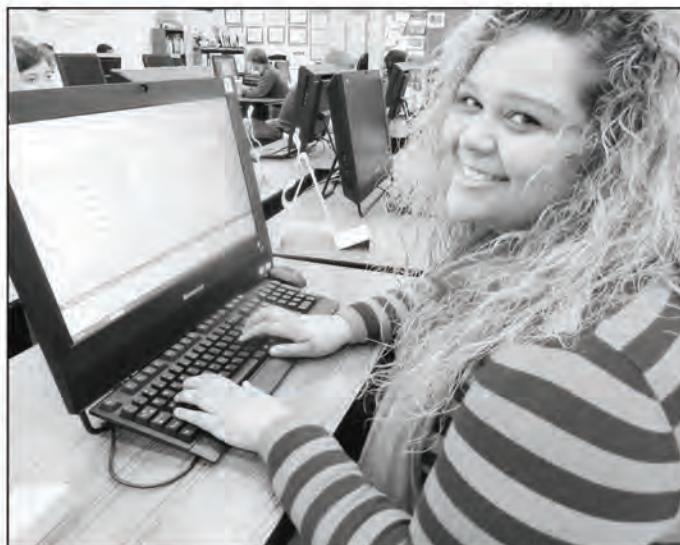
Microsoft expects that an Office Specialist is able to complete the everyday Microsoft Office tasks that would arise in a typical office setting. A Word Specialist should be able to format text and paragraphs, create tables and columns, manage files, and work with pictures and

charts. An Excel Specialist should be able to format cells and worksheets, enter formulas and basic functions, work with multiple worksheets, create charts, and insert objects.

There are many different opportunities for people who pass the Microsoft Office Specialist exams. They are repeatedly employed in professions, even professions outside of the computer field. These are real people performing a wide variety of jobs. Whether in a large corporation or a small office, Microsoft Office Specialists use programs such as Word and Excel to function effectively as administrative assistants, as office managers, and in many other positions that require day-to-day problem-solving skills.

The Microsoft Office System of products helps the Office Specialist meet deadlines, impress managers and perform work more efficiently. Microsoft Office Specialists are interested in improving their skills and increasing their job opportunities. As more and more employers begin looking for verification of employee software skills, students will have no better way to stand out from the crowd than to show their credentials as a specialist in the software that a job requires.

In education, the Microsoft Office Specialist program promotes student success in the classroom by building individual distinction and preparing students for an increasingly competitive workforce. For business, MOS maximizes office productivity and efficiency for the organization,



Pictured here, Chloe Harvey is working hard to learn the information she must know to earn her Microsoft Office Specialist Certification in Word. The industry certification will maximize Chloe's resume by showing her special skills with Microsoft Office.

increases job satisfaction and heightens career achievement among employees. In workforce development, MOS prepares and places job candidates, ensuring they possess the skills employers require. Microsoft Office Certification gives students the tools they need to build a brighter future.

The Microsoft Office Specialist Program provides a method for workers to prove their competency in the Microsoft Office Specialist programs. A recent study of 14,000

Office Specialists and 1,200 of their supervisors clearly demonstrated that Office Specialists are viewed by their supervisors as more competent, more productive, and more credible as a result of their certification status.

So, whether you are a high school student, new to your career or a highly trained administrative professional with a top-level staff position, you will find that adding "Microsoft Office Specialist" to your resume is beneficial.

HHS IN PICTURES



The school's media center is a popular stop for students on cold winter mornings as Media Specialist, Diane Bryan, can be depended on to whip up hot cocoa for those in need of warming up. Pictured here (L to R), Clayton Keller, Austin Vickers, Joshua Perrin and Jeremy Franks brave the cold outside with their hot cups of cocoa in hand.



Recently, several HHS football players had opportunities to participate in various football invitatorials. (Back Row L to R) James Greene, Nelson Bethea, Timmy Steedley, Tristen Lanier and Adson Delhomme were selected to play in the Sebring Firemen South-Central Florida All-Star Game; Junior, Keyonte Holley (Front Row, L) participated in the US Army All American Combine in San Antonio, Texas; Keyon Brown (Front Row, C) participated in the Florida Athletic Coaches Association, North South All-Star Game as well as the Semper Fidelis All American Bowl in California; and Luke Palmer (Front Row, R) played in the Offense Defense All American Bowl at the Citrus Bowl in Orlando.



Before the winter break, the National Honor Society (NHS) visited students at Hardee Junior High and Wauchula Elementary School to drum up some extra holiday cheer. The high school students delivered presents and joined the younger students in decorating Christmas cookies along with a special visitor from the North Pole! Pictured here (L to R), WES student Cearra Medeiro and NHS student Lacey McClenithan enjoy the time together.

Calendar of Upcoming Events

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| 1/23 | Senior Panoramic Picture Day
- 9:00am HHS Gymnasium |
| 1/23 | Boys Basketball v. Lakeland
- 6:00pm HHS Gymnasium |
| 1/24 | Boys Basketball v. Avon Park
- 6:00pm HHS Gymnasium |
| 1/25 | Student Athlete ACT Prep Class
- 8:00am HHS Media Center |
| 1/25 | 100 Inning Baseball Game |

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Celebrity Extra

By Cindy Elavsky



Q: Can you tell me what Christian Slater is up to now? I recently saw his amazing performance in the movie "He Was a Quiet Man," and it made me realize I really miss seeing him.

— Veronica W., Hanover, Pa.

A: You have only about a month to wait before you can see Christian again on a regular basis. On Tuesday, March 11, at 10 p.m. ET/PT, ABC will premiere a new series called "Mind Games," which stars Christian and Steve Zahn. They play brothers Ross (Christian) and Clark Edwards (Steve), who are partners in Edwards and Associates, an unusual business based on the belief that people's decisions are influenced by their environment in ways they're not aware. By using the hard science of psychological manipulation, the brothers commit to solving their clients' problems. With Clark's expertise and Ross's con-artist ways, the brothers use psychology and science to offer clients an alternative to their fates.

Q: I don't think I can wait much longer for season four of "Game of Thrones."

— Carlos F., via email

A: Just hold on a little longer. The highly anticipated premiere of the hit fantasy/drama series is set for April 6 at 9 p.m. ET/PT on HBO. The TV series, which is based on the books series by George R.R. Martin, shocked audiences at the end of last season with the infamous "Red Wedding," and season four's 10 episodes will prove to be just as exciting. It will be roughly based on the second half of "A Storm of Swords," the third book in the

"A Song of Ice and Fire" novels. According to showrunner David Benioff: "I think [season four] is going to surpass season three. There are so many scenes we've been waiting for so long to do, and it just gets more and more fun to write for these characters. We're very excited for it."

Q: Any news about "Devilous Maids"?

— Pamela G., via email

A: I have two exciting bits to tell you: First, season two will premiere on Lifetime on April 20 at 10 p.m. ET/PT. Second, Mark Deklin (whom you all know I LOVED on "GCB") has signed on as a regular cast member. As of this writing, I don't know whom he'll play or how he'll impact the season, but I'll let you know as soon as I can drag the information out of him.

Q: I am a fan of "NCIS" and have wondered why Cote Pablo left the series.

— Judy D., via email

A: Cote left for personal reasons, which she chooses not to expand on. On the possibility of returning, she told TV Guide Magazine: "The greatest thing about this last episode is that Ziva doesn't die. As long as a character doesn't die, the character can always come back." Cody recently signed on to co-star in the film "The 33," which is based on the events of the 2010 Chilean mine collapse.

Write to Cindy at King Features Weekly Service, P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475; or e-mail her at letters@cindyleavsky.com.
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BIBLE TRIVIA

By Wilson Casey

1. Is the book of 2 Timothy in the Old or New Testament or neither?

2. Koinonia is a Greek word found 20 times in the Bible, and primarily means ... ? Revenge, Forgiveness, Fellowship, Crucifixion

3. From historical records, who headed the Apostle Paul in Rome A.D. 67 (C.E.)? Claudius, Nero, Augustus, Vitellius

4. The concept of the "what-fold ministry comes from Ephesians 4:11? Two, Three, Five, Seven

5. From Psalm 14:1 who/what says in his/its heart, "There is no God"?

Pagan, Fool, Insane, Serpent

6. What is the youngest book in the New Testament? Acts, Philemon, Hebrews, Revelation

ANSWERS: 1) New; 2) Fellowship; 3) Nero; 4) Five; 5) Fool; 6) Revelation

"2014 Bible Trivia Challenge," Wilson Casey's Daily Box Calendar, is available online and in bookstores.

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The Southwest Florida Water Management District (SWFWMD) announces the following public meetings to which all interested persons are invited:

Cooperative Funding Initiative Northern Region – 10:00 a.m. Brooksville Headquarters
February 5, 2014
April 9, 2014

Cooperative Funding Initiative Heartland Region – 10:00 a.m. Bartow Service Office
February 6, 2014
April 10, 2014

Cooperative Funding Initiative Southern Region – 1:30 p.m. Sarasota Service Office
February 13, 2014
April 17, 2014

Cooperative Funding Initiative Tampa Region – 10:00 a.m. Tampa Service Office
February 14, 2014
April 16, 2014

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If any person decides to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at these meetings, he/she will need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceeding is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence from which the appeal is to be issued.

Agendas are available seven days prior to the meeting from the SWFWMD website: Water-Matters.org — Boards, Meetings & Event Calendar; or contact Lori.Manuel@watermatters.org 1(800)423-1476 (FL only) or (352)796-7211, x4606 (Ad Order EXE0299).

The Southwest Florida Water Management District (SWFWMD) announces the following public meetings to which all interested persons are invited:

Rock Ponds Ecosystem Restoration Project Kick-Off. The Southwest Florida Water Management District, in coordination with Hillsborough County, is restoring approximately 1,043 acres of uplands and wetlands through this important project. One or more Governing Board members may attend.

DATE/TIME: Monday, Feb. 3, 2014; 10:30 a.m.

PLACE: 4480 County Line Road, Ruskin, FL 33570

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Estella.Gray@watermatters.org; 1 (800) 836-0797 (FL only) or (813)985-7481,x2015

For more information, you may contact: Lori.Manuel@watermatters.org; 1(800)423-1476 (FL only) or (352)796-7211, x4606 (Ad Order EXE0298)

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Words To Live By

A Daily Thought

THURSDAY

Reverence for God gives life, happiness and protection from harm. ... The character of even a child can be known by the way he acts — whether what he does is right and pure.

Proverbs 19:23; 20:11 (TLB)

FRIDAY

Jesus said, "It will seem like all hell has broken loose — sun, moon, stars, earth, seas in an uproar and everyone all over the world in a panic, the wind knocked out of them by the threat of doom, the powers-that-be quaking. And then — then! They'll see the Son of Man welcomed in grand style — a glorious welcome! When all this starts to happen, up on your feet. Stand tall with your heads high. Help (eternal) is on the way."

Luke 21:25-28 (ME)

SATURDAY

The Lord is good, a refuge in times of trouble. He cares for those who trust in Him.

Nahum 1:7 (NIV)

SUNDAY

For God did not give us a spirit of timidity (fear), but a spirit of power and love and self-control. Do not be ashamed then of testifying for our Lord.

II Timothy 1:7-8 (RSV)

MONDAY

Then Job replied to the Lord, "I know that You can do anything and no one can stop You."

Job 42:1-2 (NLT)

TUESDAY

We have around us so many people whose lives tell us what faith means. So let us run the race before us and never give up. We should remove from our lives anything that would get in our way and the sin which so easily holds us back. Let us look only to Jesus, the One who began our faith and who makes it perfect (complete).

Hebrews 12:1-2 (NCV)

WEDNESDAY

How lovely is Your dwelling place, O Lord Almighty. ... Blessed are those who dwell in Your house: they are ever praising You. Blessed are those who find their strength in You.

Psalm 83:1,4-5a (NIV)

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What's For Lunch?

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

MONDAY

Breakfast: Apple Jacks, Turkey Sausage, Graham Crackers, Strawberry Poptart, Waffles, Apple Slices, Condiments and Milk

Lunch: Chicken Nuggets, PB Jamwich, Cheese Pizza, Wow-butter & Jelly Sandwich, Carrot Sticks w/Dip, Vegetable Blend, Fruit Cup, Condiments and Milk

TUESDAY

Breakfast: Trix Cereal, Chicken & Biscuit, Butterly Toast, Yogurt Parfait w/Strawberries, Apple Juice, Condiments and Milk

Lunch: Chicken Pot Pie, Turkey Corndog, Yogurt Parfait w/Fruit, Celery Sticks w/Dip, Sweet Potato Fries, Pineapple Tidbits, Condiments and Milk

WEDNESDAY

Breakfast: Trix Cereal, Brown Sugar Cinnamon Pop-tart, Golden Grahams, Graham Crackers, Strawberry Cup, Condiments and Milk

Lunch: Chicken Quesadilla, Hamburger on Bun, Taco Salad, Black Beans, Sweet Corn, Fruit Cocktail, Condiments and Milk

THURSDAY

Breakfast: Breakfast Pizza, Brown Sugar Cinnamon Pop-tart, Golden Grahams, Graham Crackers, Strawberry Cup, Condiments and Milk

Lunch: Oven Roasted Chicken, Roll, Turkey & Cheese Wrap, Cookie, Cheese Pizza, Broccoli w/Dip, Zucchini & Squash, Banana, Condiments and Milk

FRIDAY

Breakfast: Frosted Flakes, Sausage Biscuit, Butterly Toast, Orange Juice, Condiments and Milk

Lunch: Oven Roasted Chicken, Roll, Turkey & Cheese Wrap, Cookie, Cheese Pizza, Broccoli w/Dip, Zucchini & Squash, Banana, Condiments and Milk

THURSDAY

Breakfast: Frosted Flakes, Sausage Biscuit, Butterly Toast, Blueberry Glazed Pancakes, Cinnamon Glazed Pancakes, Fruit Cocktail, Condiments and Milk

Lunch: Oven Roasted Chicken, Roll, Turkey & Cheese Wrap, Cookie, Cheese Pizza, Broccoli w/Dip, Zucchini & Squash, Banana, Condiments and Milk

FRIDAY

Breakfast: Frosted Flakes, Sausage Biscuit, Butterly Toast, Blueberry Glazed Pancakes, Cinnamon Glazed Pancakes, Garden Salad, Green Peas, Apple Slices, Condiments and Milk

Lunch: Spicy Chicken Sandwich, Cowboy Macaroni, Roll, Cheese Sticks, Garden Salad, Green Peas, Apple Slices, Condiments and Milk

FRIDAY

Breakfast: Cheerios, Turkey Sausage Pizza, Butterly Toast, Blueberry Glazed Pancakes, Cinnamon Glazed Pancakes, Garden Salad, Green Peas, Apple Slices, Condiments and Milk

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Rodeo Bits

By Kathy Ann Gregg



COWBOYS & COWGIRLS, SHALL WE DANCE?

For those of you readers old enough to remember the classic movie "The King and I," I am going to borrow a line from Yul Brenner: "Shall we dance? Shall we dance? Shall we dance?"

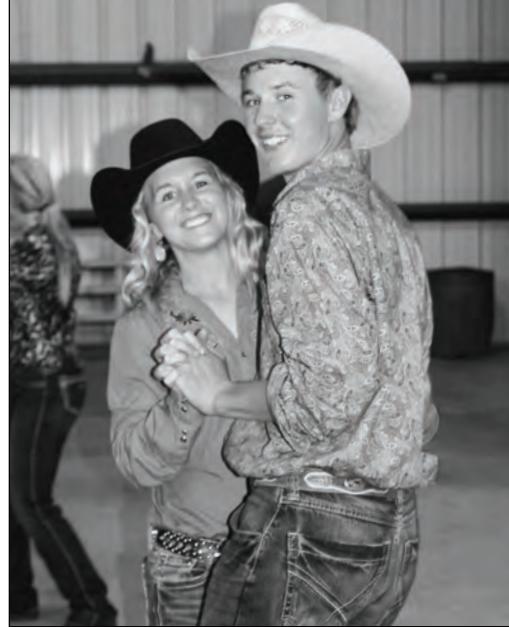
Well, that is exactly what everyone did after the awards banquet for the Hardee County Youth Rodeo!

Keith Weems, who is the announcer for every rodeo, was the master of ceremonies for the banquet, and stayed to provide the music for the after-party.

And it was not only the youth who participated. Moms Betsy Damboise, Mandy Cantu and Christy Newsome were on the dance floor giving their kids a run for their money, and dad Luke Cantu and pickup man Will Bishop were out there doing their thing. Even



Cayden Newsome gets ready to slide — note that he kicked off his boots, because it's easier to slide in socks! In the background are Zach Carlton (on the left) and Ryleigh Kaye Adams (on the right).



Lacey Cumbee and Seth McGee enjoy some slow tunes together.



Aubrey Stark takes a moment to slow dance with her dad, Jace. Now here is a girl who rides, ropes, ties goats, carries the flag, wears a crown, hunts and dances (all while looking great!) — she is the epitome of what we want our youth to be.

dad Jace Stark took daughter Aubrey for a spin during a slow dance. After a day of serious competition, then good food and an evening of recognition for all their hard work, these youngsters were full of energy, and let it loose on the dance floor!

As the saying goes, "a picture is worth a thousand words," so I will let the pictures tell the story.

But before I close, I want to mention Doyle and Debbie Carlton. They are sponsors for both of the Senior Division All-Around saddles, in addition to being a general sponsor of the Hardee County Youth Rodeo Association. And this does not even begin to cover all that they do for the various youth rodeos associations, and the ranch rodeos (and let's not forget the Florida State Fair).

COURTESY PHOTOS BY KATHY ANN GREGG
Doyle and Debbie Carlton hold the plaque presented to them by Justin Webb for all that they do for the Hardee County Youth Rodeo Association.



Betsy Damboise leads the other moms out on the dance floor (including Mandy Cantu and Christy Newsome).



COURTESY PHOTOS BY KATHY ANN GREGG
Doyle and Debbie Carlton hold the plaque presented to them by Justin Webb for all that they do for the Hardee County Youth Rodeo Association.

In recognition of this, they were called to the stage at the banquet and presented with a special plaque as a token of appreciation.

Enjoy the photos, and on to some of the ranch rodeos for the next columns.

Keep these "Bits," boots and bridles riding. Let Kathy Ann Gregg in on your events and achievements, and she'll keep you covered. Reach her at ksleepy@aol.com or 773-9459. Keep on riding, Cowboys and Cowgirls!



Parker Carlton leads all the girls in a line dance.



Pat Carlton gives Loni Damboise a spin around the dance floor.

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Preference will be given to elderly and physically impaired homeowners. Applications are available online at www.hardeecounty.net or Hardee Co. Community Development, 412 W Orange St, Rm 201, Wauchula or Contact us at 863-773-6349.

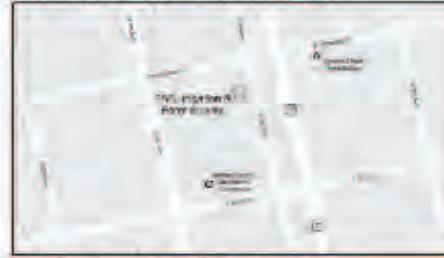


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Sports Update

By Joan Seaman

It's district tournament time for most winter sports. For girls weightlifting, Merislene Cimeus and Briana Gardner are the only girls to advance to the regionals held yesterday (Wednesday) in Port Charlotte.

The soccer girls did well, winning their district quarterfinal round in Lake Wales against Sebring 1-0, with Martha Valadez getting the only goal of the defensive battle. On the next night, Hardee had to play against Auburndale, losing 8-1 to the team which turned out to be the district champion. Lake Wales had beaten Teneroc and took on Auburndale in a fascinating double-overtime district championship game which Auburndale won 4-3.

Boys soccer is in playoffs this week in Auburndale and we wish them well.

Girls basketball is in district playoffs next week. The opening game is Jan. 28 and championship game is Jan. 31 at 7 p.m. at the gym of the highest seed still in action.

Boys basketball winds up this week and is in playoffs the week of Feb. 3. Again, it is the odd format of playing each game at the

highest seed involved in that game.

Both junior high basketball teams beat Sebring last Thursday. The junior Cats and Lady Cats wind up their season next Thursday.

Just getting under way is Youth Basketball League action, which starts Saturday. All games are in the old junior high gym off West Main Street. There will be games at 9, 10 and 11 a.m. on two courts, which is actually half court. There are five teams in the fourth-and-fifth grade division and three in the sixth-and-seventh division, which cannot include any players from the junior high teams. A big hand of appreciation goes to the fellows and gals willing to take the time to coach these teams.

It will shortly be time for the spring sports to begin. Girls softball starts Feb. 1 with a preseason tournament double-header. The first regular season games are Feb. 6 at home against Frostproof. The JV play at 5:30 and varsity immediately afterward, about 7:30.

Boys baseball starts with a pair of tournaments, Feb. 6-7 the boys are in Fort Meade and Feb. 10-15 they are in a tournament in Avon Park. The boys do not play JV and varsity games together very often. There are one or two in which the JV plays at 4 and varsity about 7. Otherwise, the games are separate. JV baseball starts its season Feb. 10 at Sebring.

We don't have high school girls or boys tennis, boys or girls track or boys weightlifting and junior high volleyball news yet, but will keep folks advised as soon as we do.

NuHope held a fun day at Pioneer Park on Jan. 11, which included a 5k race and one mile run/walk with a variety of entrants from Hardee and Highlands counties. There were a half dozen Bryants and a couple of other names I recognized, but will not relate details as I'm afraid of leaving out some Hardee participants. *Information from school and community athletic events is always welcome. Please call me at 773-3255 or e-mail me at our website, sports@theheraldadvocate.com with news for this biweekly column. Please note that the deadline for weekday sports events is 5 p.m. Thursdays. For events which happen after that time, sports news is due by noon Mondays in order to have a chance to get in that week's paper, and is always on a space available basis.*

The Fireside

By James Stillwagon
Hardee County Fire-Rescue Chief



There is within Hardee County a group of dedicated men and women who have committed themselves to your service, and they appreciate your continuing prayers and support for them and the professional excellence they continually strive to provide.

Our motto as well as our emblem have changed, and will display the following:

HONOR: Honor the fallen. COURAGE: Courage in adversity. FORTITUDE: Fortitude over fear. RESPECT: Respect the community we serve.

As previously reported, Hardee County Fire-Rescue has recently purchased a ladder truck. This decision was not entered into lightly, or without having previously completed a study of the benefits and costs directly related to it, balancing that information with the safety factors to personnel and the value to you, the residents, business owners and visitors of Hardee County.

There are questions, opinions, apprehensions that you may have, and I would appreciate the opportunity to provide information so as to be able to adequately address them.

The ladder truck we have purchased is a truck that is 38-feet long, with a wheelbase of 19.95 feet, with the ladder itself being what is known in the fire service as a "straight-stick," or just "stick," that is 75-feet long when fully extended.

The fire pump on the truck has the "capability" to pump 1,500 gallons per minute maximum, however that capacity is not the normal operating GPM, but it is capable of performing at that maximum. We typically operate at a much lower GPM than the maximum, in the range of 300 to 800, with the types and sizes of fire nozzles being a large factor of that calculation.

To alleviate any concern over the hydrant systems within Hardee County unable to supply a ladder truck, I can say that there are areas that cannot provide adequate supply for our current fire engines, which have 1,250-GPM pumps. This is part of the reasoning of utilizing our tankers within the city areas as well as the rural areas, so that we have a portable system fully capable to provide adequate water supply.

The applications of an aerial apparatus encompass a wide range, with the greatest utilization of the ladder being at single-story residential/commercial structure fires for ventilating the roof and spraying water from above the fire, aiding in a more rapid fire control and extinguishment and a safer operational atmosphere for the firefighters.

This information is not provided from hearsay but from my personal experiences with Charlotte County Fire EMS and having had worked for many years on aerial apparatus that ranged in size from 55', 75' and a 100' aerial platform. I am very well versed in the operations and applications of aerial apparatus and their necessity within the fire service. I have worked as a lieutenant on the ladder truck and have been the incident commander as a battalion chief when confronted with the efficient application of aerial strategies and tactics at an emergency scene.

In this experience I have been a part of the application of the aerial apparatus within law enforcement operations when the aerial was utilized to assist deputies in gaining access to roofs of buildings to affect their operations in an investigation or apprehension of suspects. The aerial has also been an invaluable asset in gaining access to individuals trapped on towers, medical emergencies in elevated areas and the like.

In closing, I would like to say that if you have any questions concerning the aerial apparatus that was purchased and the operational applications, please do not hesitate to come by the office or call me at 773-4362.

Pet Of The Week



This is a female Hound mix.
She is black and tan with a short coat and long tail.
This pretty girl is a gentle giant who gets along with other animals. Her adoption fee is \$45.

Adoption fees are \$45 and include a rabies vaccination and spaying or neutering of the animal. Contact 773-2320 if you are interested in adopting any cats or dogs that desperately need a loving home. The kennel location is 685 Airport Road, Wauchula, at the county landfill.

TRIVIA TEST

By Fifi Rodriguez

1. **HISTORY:** What was the name of the treaty that ended the American Revolutionary War?

2. **TELEVISION:** What was the name of the prison in "Hogan's Heroes"?

3. **THEATER:** Which U.S. president was featured in the musical "Annie"?

4. **AD SLOGANS:** Which car company is part of the advertising slogan "Baseball, Hot Dogs, Apple Pie and ...?"

5. **ENTERTAINMENT:** When did the Miss America pageant begin?

6. **GEOGRAPHY:** What was the former name of the

African nation Burkina Faso?

7. **LITERATURE:** What was the name of the monster in "Beowulf"?

8. **GENERAL KNOWLEDGE:** What are the names of the stone lions at the entrance of the New York Public Library?

9. **ANIMAL KINGDOM:** What type of creature belongs to the order Siphonaptera?

10. **MATH:** In geometry, what is the shape of a torus?

ANSWERS

1. Treaty of Paris

2. Stalag 13

3. Franklin D. Roosevelt

4. Chevrolet

5. 1921

6. Upper Volta

7. Grendel

8. Patience and Fortitude

9. Fleas

10. A doughnut

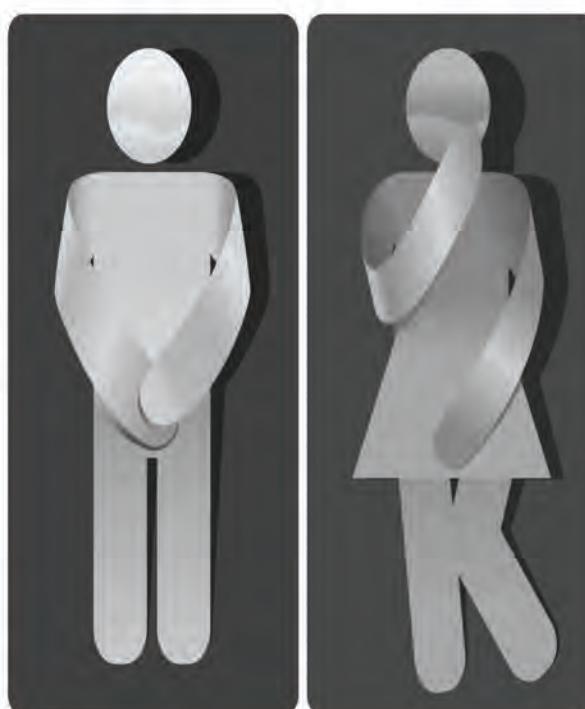
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HJHS Hoops Both Beat Sebring

By JOAN SEAMAN

Of The Herald-Advocate

Coming back from the holiday break, both Hardee Junior High basketball teams worked back into shape to beat Sebring on Thursday night.

They have a trio of games to end the season. Of course, there were none on Monday as school was closed for the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. holiday. In the Monday-Thursday format of the Heartland Middle Schools, Hardee plays at Lake Placid today (Thursday).

Next week's games finish up with a visit from DeSoto on Monday in the home finale and a trip to Hill-Gustat next Thursday in the season finale.

The junior Wildcats started the new year routine with a Jan. 9 trip to Desoto, which won 38-23.

For the Cats, Mikeeven Rhoden had the hot hand with a trio of treys, a deuce and a pair of free throws for 13 points. Randy McLeod added a half dozen, Nick Nichols notched a pair of four shots and Damian Rodriguez and Drew McGuckin each hit a solo free throw.

On Jan. 13, Hardee hosted Avon Park, which won 47-25, with Jason Duff and Montrae Bushehill each hitting for 10 points.

For Hardee, the game's high scorer again was Rhoden, who

nailed for treys for a dozen points. Adrian DeLeon had five, Austin Smith four and Nicklaus and Kai Washington each two points.

Hardee prevailed in the Jan. 16 game at Sebring, winning 40-36. Jakquwel Miller had 13 points for Sebring, with Rhoden matching that for high scorer, sinking a quartet of three-pointers and a free throw. McLeod added 10 points, Washington seven, Jean Youte six, and McGuckin and Rodriguez each two points.

Other young Wildcats are Cody Helms, Cecilio "Buddy" Hernandez, Mario Gomez, Isaac Carmona, Hardee Pace and Damar Harris.

The junior high girls had similar results in their first three games of the new year. They lost to DeSoto and Avon Park before bursting forth for a 29-21 win over Sebring to bring their season record to 3-4.

Kyra Wilson topped all scorers with a dozen points for the junior Lady Wildcats. Mahlie Sampson added seven, Rebecca Cortes five, Destinee Jackson three and Layla Santoya two points.

Other Hardee girls are Savannah Mullins, Sarai Santana, Alexis Garza, Julissa Flores, Vyroze Youte, Rachel St. Fort, Ederika Austin, Beyonce Mosley and manager Azaria Rivers.



PHOTO BY MARIA TRUJILLO

The Hardee Junior High girls basketball team which recently beat Sebring includes (front, left to right) Alexis Garza, Julissa Flores, Mahlia Sampson, Ederika Austin and Mahlie Sampson; (middle row) assistant coach Honesty Martinez, Layla Santoya, manager Azaria Rivers, Rebeca Cortez, Diamond Faulk, Sarai Santana, Beyonce Mosley and Head Coach Sean Brown; (back row) assistant coach Gloria Solis, Savannah Mullins, Rachel St. Fort, Kyra Wilson, Destinee Jackson, Jarisa Lindsey and Vyroze Youte.

Oil, Gas Florida Hospital Wauchula Prices Stable

Named A 'Top Hospital'

Both oil and gas prices remain stable at this time, with the national average hovering around \$3.30 a gallon.

So far, 2014's gas prices mirror those at the start of last year.

At this time last year, the nation's average price for a gallon of regular gas was \$3.30, where it stayed until February. Then, pump prices rose upwards of \$3.80 a gallon. The cost for gas ranged between \$3.50 and \$3.80 until mid-September, when it dropped below \$3.30 again.

"It still looks like we will enjoy stable gas prices throughout the rest of the month," said Jessica Brady, AAA spokesperson, The Auto Club Group. "Unless something substantial occurs, like a major spike in fuel demand, gas prices should remain around \$3.30 to \$3.40 until late February, when refineries begin the seasonal fuel switch."

The national average for a gallon of regular unleaded gasoline is \$3.29, two cents less than last week. Florida's average of \$3.37 also fell two cents from last week.

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For the second time, Florida Hospital Wauchula has been named to the annual list of Top Hospitals compiled by The Leapfrog Group.

Also recognized was Florida Hospital Heartland Medical Center, with locations in Sebring and Lake Placid.

The announcement came at Leapfrog's annual meeting on Dec. 3 in Arlington, Va., which gathered Leapfrog members, industry partners, health-care stakeholders and national laborators.

"It is so gratifying to see the fruits of our labor! Our professional clinical staff and dedicated physicians are constantly striving for excellence in everything they do. The end result is better patient care for a happier patient," stated Florida Hospital CEO Eric Stevens.

"The Leapfrog Hospital Survey sets the highest bar for comparing hospitals' performance on the national standards of

safety, quality and efficiency that are most relevant to consumers and purchasers of care. The 2013 Top Hospitals list was closely culled from a record number of 1,324 hospitals voluntarily participating in the survey," noted Dr. Jorge Gonzalez, a Florida Hospital vice president and the chief medical officer.

"The medical staff feels proud, inspired and engaged to see that Florida Hospital Wauchula was one of the 22 rural Top Hospitals in the United States to receive this recognition," he added.

"The kind of consistent recognition from networks of stakeholders and collaborators like Leapfrog affirms that rural health-care delivery is alive and well in our area," said Florida Hospital vice president and Wauchula Administrator Denise Grimsley.

"This hospital staff works day and night every day of the year to respond with quality care.

We're glad Leapfrog sees the difference they are making," she added.

"The field of hospitals considered for this year's elite Leapfrog Top Hospital distinction was more competitive than ever. By achieving the Top Hospital accolade, Florida Hospital Heartland Medical Center and Florida Hospital Wauchula have demonstrated exemplary performance across all areas of quality and patient safety that are analyzed on the Leapfrog Hospital Survey.

"If my family or friends needed care, I'd be comfortable sending them to Florida Hospital," said Leah Binder, president & CEO of The Leapfrog Group.

Florida Hospital Heartland Medical Center and Florida Hospital Wauchula were selected as a Top Hospital out of a record number of 1,324 hospitals participating in the Leapfrog Group's annual survey.

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On The Agenda

HARDEE COUNTY COMMISSION

The Hardee County Commission will hold its rescheduled evening meeting today (Thursday) beginning at 6 p.m. in Room 102, Courthouse Annex I, 412 W. Orange St., Wauchula. The meeting can be followed on computer by going to www.hardecyclerk.com and following the link just above the picture of the courthouse.

It, and past meetings can also be seen at that link anytime. Each contains an information packet for the items discussed during the meeting. The following is a synopsis of agenda topics that may be of public interest. Times are approximate except for advertised public hearings.

—Zoning, 6:05 p.m., Ordinance 2014-05 rezoning a little over 100 acres to commercial/industrial business for Commerce Park addition.

—Public hearing, second and final reading of Ordinance 2014-01 amending the five-year capital improvement plan to add a new fifth year, 6:30 p.m.

—Resolution to close a portion of Crews Road, 6:45 p.m.

—Rescinding the minor site plan review process set in 2012, 7:10 p.m.

—Waiver of site plan review and development standard requirement for Lot 14 in the Commerce Park for PF Man. 7:35 p.m.

—Emergency Medical Services write-off of \$282,680.20 for 2011, and prepayment on purchase of Pierce Fire Engine, 7:50 and 8:05 p.m.

—Withdrawal of endorsing state Department of Transportation work plan report for 6/14 through 6/19, 8:20 p.m.

—County manager evaluations and summary, 8:35 p.m.

—Reappointment of advisory boards and review of meeting dates which conflict with other events/holidays.

This agenda is provided as a public service of The Herald-Advocate and the Hardee County Commission for those who may wish to plan to attend.

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Sunday School9:00 a.m.
Sunday Service12:00 p.m.
Tuesday Prayer Meeting6:30 p.m.
Wednesday Service7:00 p.m.

CHESTER GROVE MB CHURCH
708 W. Grape St. - 375-3353

Sunday School9:00 a.m.
Sunday Worship8:00 a.m.
Sun. Eve. Worship 1st & 3rd 4:00 p.m.
Tues. Prayer/Bible Study6:00 p.m.

**CHRISTIAN BIBLE
FELLOWSHIP**
Hwy. 17 South

Morning Worship10:30 a.m.
Youth Group - Sunday6:00 p.m.

CHURCH OF GOD
121 West Broad St. - 375-2231

Sunday School10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship6:30 p.m.
Wednesday7:30 p.m.

**CHURCH OF GOD
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725 Palmetto St.
375-3304

Sunday School9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship11:00 a.m.
Tues. Night Bible Study7:30 p.m.
Evening Worship1st Sunday5:00 p.m.

**COMMUNITY CHRISTIAN
FELLOWSHIP**
Main & W. Centra.

Sunday AM Worship10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting7:00 p.m.

FAITH ASSEMBLY OF GOD
4937 Hwy. 17 N. - 375-4206

Sunday School9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship11:00 a.m.
Disciples Train & Choirs5:30 p.m.
Evening Worship6:30 p.m.
Wednesday Prayer7:00 p.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Bowling Green
4531 Hwy. 17 N - 375-2253

SUNDAY:
Bible Study9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship10:45 a.m.
Evening Worship6:00 p.m.
WEDNESDAY:
Discipleship Training
Youth & Adult6:00 p.m.
TeamKID (ages 3-5th grade)6:00 p.m.

**FIRST UNITED
METHODIST CHURCH**
Grape & Church Streets - 375-2340

Sunday School9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study6:00 p.m.

**FORT GREEN BAPTIST
CHURCH**
Baptist Church Road - 773-9013

Sunday School9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Supper6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study7:00 p.m.

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Jueves De Predicacion7:00 p.m.

IMMANUEL BAPTIST CHURCH
210 E. Boward St. - 445-0290

Sunday School9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Prayer7:00 p.m.

**Macedonia Primitive
Baptist Church**
607 Palmetto St.

Church School9:30 a.m.
Morning Service11:00 a.m.
Evening Service7:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study/Prayer7:00 p.m.
Community-2nd Sun. Eve.6:00 p.m.

MT. PISGAH BAPTIST CHURCH
6210 Mt. Pisgah Rd. - 375-4409

Sunday School9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship11:00 a.m.
Disciples Training5:00 p.m.
Evening Worship7:00 p.m.
Wednesday Prayer Time7:00 p.m.

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Servicio de Adoracion11:00 a.m.
Servicio de Predicacion5:00 p.m.
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3365 South US Hwy 17

Morning Service10:30 a.m.
Wednesday Study/Learning6:30 p.m.

ST. JOHN A.M.E. CHURCH
513 W. Orange St.
375-2911

Sunday Church School9:30 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship11:00 a.m.
Wednesday Bible Study6:30 p.m.

VICTORY PRAISE CENTER
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Sunday School10:00 a.m.
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149 Badger Loop - 448-2831

Martes: Oracion7:00 p.m.
Jueves: Ensenaza Biblica7:00 p.m.
Domingo: Servicio10:30 a.m.

LIMESTONE BAPTIST CHURCH
4868 Keystone Ave. • Limestone

Sunday School9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Prayer7:00 p.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
1570 W. Main St. - 773-4182

SUNDAY:
Bible Study for all ages9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship6:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY:
Sr. Adult Bible Study10:00 a.m.
Children's Choirs

(PK-Grade 4)5:30 p.m.
PRAISE 57-Jr High Chior5:30 p.m.
Mid-Week Prayer Meeting6:00 p.m.

Kids On Missions

(PK-Grade 4)6:00 p.m.
Club 566:00 p.m.
Youth Group (Grades 7-12)6:00 p.m.
& Discipleship6:00 p.m.

Church Orchestra6:00 p.m.
Adult Choir7:00 p.m.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH
1121 W. Louisiana St. - 773-9243

SUNDAY:
Generations Café Opens9:30 a.m.
Kids World Check-In

Nursery-5th Grade Begins10:15 a.m.
Pre-K Blast10:45 a.m.

Kids World BL.A.S.T.

(K-5th)10:45 a.m.
Worship Service10:45 a.m.

Check-In begins

Nursery-5th Grade6:15 p.m.
Classes for children ages

PreK-12th grade6:30-8:00 p.m.

CELEBRATION CHURCH
Rainey Blvd.
863-781-1624
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Sunday Morning Service11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Youth Service5:30 p.m.
Childcare provided at all services

CELEBRATION FELLOWSHIP
773-0427

Celebration Service10:30 a.m.
Wednesday Evening Cell Groups

Adult Cell Group7:00 p.m.
Youth Cell Group7:00 p.m.

Children's Cell Group7:00 p.m.

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**CHARLIE CREEK
BAPTIST CHURCH**
6885 State Road 64 East - 773-3447

Sunday School9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Worship6:30 p.m.

CHURCH OF CHRIST
201 S. Florida Ave.

Sunday Bible Study9:00 a.m.
Sunday Worship Service10:30 a.m.
Wednesday Bible Study7:00 p.m.

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CHURCH OF GOD
Will Duke Road
773-2249

Sunday Morning Worship9:30 a.m.
Sunday Bible Class11:30 a.m.

Sunday Evening Worship6:00 p.m.

Wed. Night Bible Class7:00 p.m.

Men's Leadership & Training Class

- 2nd Sunday of Month4:00 p.m.

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Sunday Evening Worship6:00 p.m.

Wed. Night Bible Class7:00 p.m.

Men's Leadership & Training Class

- 2nd Sunday of Month4:00 p.m.

CHURCH OF GOD
Martin Luther King Blvd.
767-0199

Sunday Morning Service9:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service6:00 p.m.

Wednesday Youth Service7:00 p.m.

**CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST
OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS**
630 Hanchey Rd. - 773-3532

Sacrament Meeting9:00 a.m.

Sunday School10:00 a.m.

Priesthood11:00 a.m.

**COMMUNITY BAPTIST
CHURCH OF WAUCHULA HILLS
(SPANISH)**
615 Rainey Blvd.
257-3950

Sunday Bible Study10:00 a.m.

Sunday Morning Worship11:00 a.m.

Sunday Evening Service7:00 p.m.

Wednesday Service7:00 p.m.

DIOS ES AMOR
807 S. 8th Ave.
773-4576

Domingos Escuela

Dominga10:00 a.m.

Servicio11:00 a.m.

Lunes Oracion6:00 p.m.

Miercoles Servicio7:00 p.m.

**IGLESIA ADVENTISTA DEL
SEPTIMO DIA**
Old Bradenton Road
767-1010

Sunday School10:00 a.m.

Evening Service6:00 p.m.

Tuesday (Bible Study & Prayer
Night)7:30 p.m.

Friday Worship Service7:30 p.m.

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**EL REMANENTE
IGLESIA CRISTIANA**
318 W. Main St..

Martes Oracion7:00 p.m.

Jueves Servicio7:30 p.m.

Vienes Servicio7:30 p.m.

Domingo Servicio10:30 a.m.

**ENDTIME CROSSROAD
MINISTRY**

501 N. 9th & Georgia St. - 773-3470

Sunday School10:00 a.m.

Morning Service11:00 a.m.

Evening Service6:00 p.m.

Wed. Bible St. & Yth. Gath.7:30 p.m.

Friday (Holy Ghost Night)7:30 p.m.

FAITH PRESBYTERIAN

Wildcat Hoops Slowing Down

By JOAN SEAMAN
Of The Herald-Advocate

The Hardee Wildcat five are moving closer and closer to success as the regular season ends on Jan. 31.

The Cats lost by just two points at Frostproof, fell victim to McKeel Academy and came up on the short end of a game at Sebring in last week's action.

This week, there was a variety-only game at home against Mulberry on Tuesday and two more home games today (Thursday) against Lakeland and tomorrow against Avon Park.

The regular season ends with a pair of games next week, the Monday Senior Night outing at home against Lake Placid and a trip Tuesday to participate in the Mosiac Stinger Shootout in a game against Lake Wales Vanguard.

Then, it's district competition time, Feb. 4, 5 and 8. Sebring may be top seed with its 5-1 record, closely followed or tied by Lemon Bay, then DeSoto, then Hardee in the four-team Class 5-A, Region 3, District 11 playoffs.

Last week's action began with a battle-royal at Frost-proof, which nipped Hardee 51-49. Hardee broke out to a 13-6 first-quarter advantage and continued into the second period with a 12-9 edge to lead 25-15 at halftime. The Bulldogs broke loose in the

third quarter with a 22-8 rally. The fourth quarter was 16-14 in Hardee's favor, just shy of tying the game and sending it into overtime.

Senior Steve Metayer led all scorers with 21 points, adding 10 rebounds, four steals and an assist. Junior Dustin Smith added nine points, classmate Jordan Jones with eight points, three by Livenson Metayer and Marco DeLeon with two points.

Livenson Metayer had four steals and Tyler Helms added another. Jones had five rebounds, Djes Youte and Dustin Smith each four, DeLeon three and Helms one. Livenson Metayer had four assists and DeLeon had two.

Last Tuesday night, Hardee hosted Lakeland McKeel Academy, which held Steve Metayer in check, with a low 10 points. Livenson Metayer had eight, Jones five, Dustin Smith four, Tyler Smith and DeLeon each three and Youte two points.

Steve Metayer was heavy on the boards with a dozen rebounds and pair of blocked shots.. Tyler Smith had six, Dustin Smith and Livenson Metayer each four and Jones two. Steve Metayer had three steals and DeLeon and Jones each two. Helms, the Metayer brothers and Tyler Smith all had assists.

The week ended with a Friday

trip to Sebring in the final district matchup of the season. Sebring won 77-64.

Dustin Smith had the hot hand for Hardee with 20 points, including a half dozen three-point goals and a deuce. Steve Metayer added 17 points, while Livenson Metayer and Youte each had saeven, Jordan five, Helms and Tyler Smith each three and DeLeon two points.

Youte snared nine rebounds and Jones had six, with Dustin Smith adding four. Youte also had three steals. Jones chipped in with six assists, while Steve Metayer and Dustin Smith each had four.

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Florida Hospital Names Stevens As New CEO

Eric Stevens is the new CEO of Florida Hospital Heartland Medical Center effective Jan. 2.

Stevens assumed leadership responsibility for the three hospitals in the group: Florida Hospital Heartland Medical Center, Florida Hospital Heartland Medical Center Lake Placid and Florida Hospital Wauchula.

Stevens had served as vice president of operations at Florida Hospital Orlando, the flagship of Adventist Health System. In this role, he provided executive leadership for many procedural areas of the hospital as well as core operational functions. In addition, he had responsibility for the Florida Hospital Transplant Institute and TransLife Organ Procurement Organization.

He has 30 years of health-care experience and has also held



Stevens

health-care administration from St. Francis University.

"I have always been called to serve and contribute in areas that directly impact patient care," said Stevens. "I have been so impressed with the medical staff, employees and community members that I have met at Florida Hospital Heartland, and I am excited to be part of a team that touches and makes the difference in the lives of others."

Stevens replaces Warren Santander, who filled in for the past two months as interim CEO while a search was under way to replace previous CEO Tim Cook. Santander will now happily re-enter retirement while Cook is currently serving as CEO at Florida Hospital DeLand.

SENIOR NEWS LINE

by Matilda Charles

MEDICARE EXPANDS HOSPITAL RATINGS

Since 2009, Medicare has been tracking the best and worst hospitals for knee-and-hip replacement surgeries. Both are generally considered to be elective surgeries. It has identified 95 hospitals where patients are likely to have problems afterward, and 97 hospitals where patients are likely to have a good recovery.

While Medicare has been long tracked other markers — such as death rates, heart attacks and patient ratings of hospitals — this is the first time it's followed knee and hip surgeries.

Of the 95 hospitals with problems, there were nine that also had high complication and readmission rates. On the flip side, of the 97 hospitals with good patient recovery, 25 ranked as being "better" in both complications and readmissions.

This new information has been added to the Hospital Compare site at medicare.gov, a welcome addition for patients who need to choose a hospital. Hospital Compare recently added ratings for hospitals with two

types of infections, so clearly the site is continuing to grow.

These ratings are going to matter to hospitals as well — if found to have less than stellar rankings, Medicare pays the hospitals less. Later in 2014, the hip-and-knee replacement surgeries also will be counted when it comes to possible penalties.

If you're in line for hip- or knee-replacement surgery, you'll not only want to pick your hospital, you'll want pre-surgery advice. Most hospitals will refer you to a class on what to expect. Setting up your home environment, arranging for help, having a low bed ready, stocking up on food, moving things so you don't have to reach high or bend low -- all of these, and more, can make for a faster recovery. Online, a good place to start is the "Knee Surgery Success" on Spryliving.com.

Matilda Charles regrets that she cannot personally answer reader questions, but will incorporate them into her column whenever possible. Send email to columncolumn@2@gmail.com.

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Collecting

Q: I have three glass bowls from the 1950s. A dealer in my area has identified them as being pieces of Vaseline glass. What is Vaseline glass, and is it collectible?
— Emma, Conway, Ark.

By Larry Cox

A: Vaseline glass is a transparent yellowish-green or greenish-yellow glass, so named because it is close to the color of Vaseline petroleum jelly. When first made, it was marked as canary glass. Early Vaseline glass gets its color from uranium oxide when added to lead glass. The result is a glass that will flash two colors in sunlight and fluoresces under ultraviolet light. Other yellow-green glass will not. Your second question is easier to answer. Yes, it is collectible, and prices depend on the piece and where it is being sold.

Q: My dad was a carpenter and had quite a tool collection. I am in the process of liquidating his estate, and it has now come down to his tool room. Can you advise me?
— Billy, Rio Rancho, NM

A: Steve Johnson is an appraiser, collector and a dealer of vintage tools. Check out his excellent website at www.tool-timer.com. His contact is c/o Union Hills Antique Tools, 4521 243rd Ave. NE, Redmond, WA 98053; steve@finetools.com. When contacting anyone mentioned in this column, be patient. Most of the experts I reference receive dozens of inquiries each

week, and not all can be answered immediately, or even in a timely fashion.

Q: I have a walking stick with "Jimmy Carter/76" on one side of the handle and "For President" on the reverse. My dad worked as a volunteer during Carter's two presidential campaigns, and I assume that is when he acquired it. Any value?

— Steve, Galveston, Texas

A: Your stick is valued in the \$25 to \$35 range, according to "Warman's Political Collectibles" by Dr. Enoch L. Nappen, and published by Krause Books.

Q: I have a rare piece of scrimshaw that has been in my family since the 1850s. I am not interested in selling it, but would like an expert opinion of how much it is worth.

— Paul, Norfolk, Va.

A: I suggest you contact Newport Scrimshanders, 14 Bowen's Wharf, Newport, RI 02840.

Write to Larry Cox in care of King Features Weekly Service, P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475, or send e-mail to questionsforcox@aol.com. Due to the large volume of mail he receives, Mr. Cox is unable to personally answer all reader questions. Do not send any materials requiring return mail.

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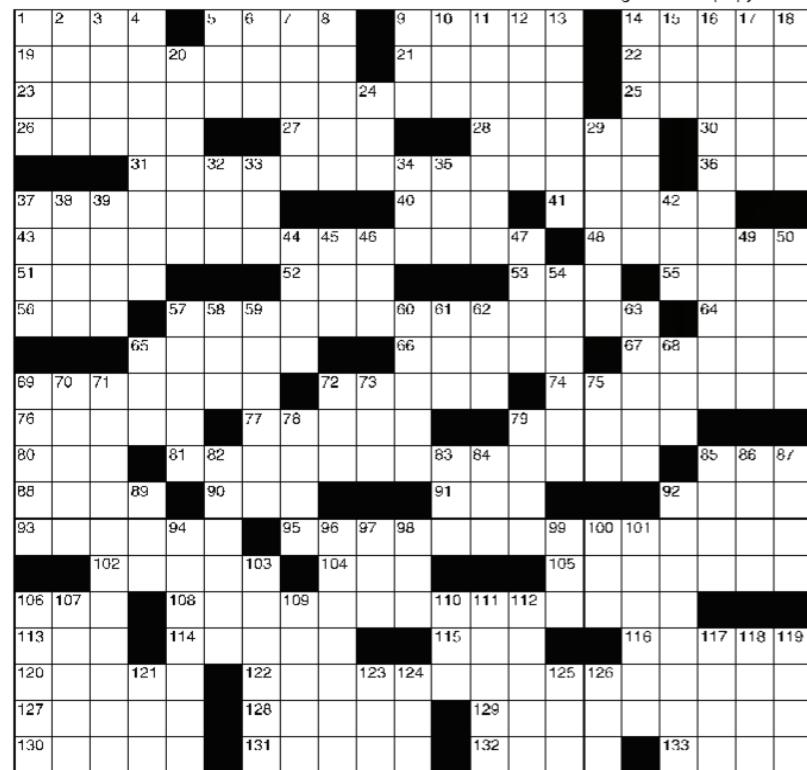
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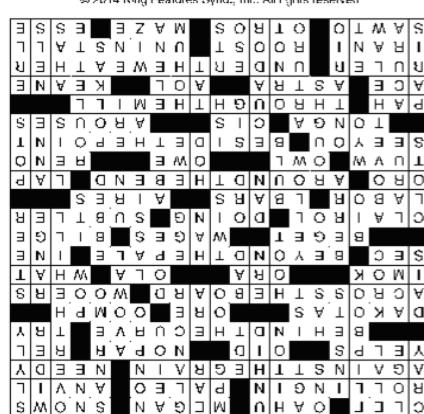
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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

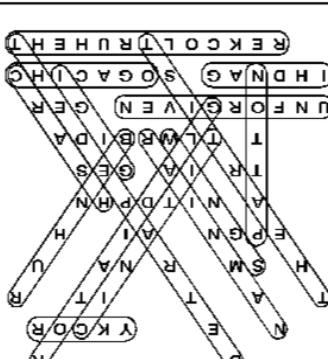
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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★★

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ANSWER
ACADEMY AWARDS BEST
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PICKS OF THE WEEK

Captain Phillips (PG-13) — When Somali pirates hijacked an American commercial ship in 2009, a gripping story played out for five days over the worldwide news. In this dramatic retelling of the events, the real-life action becomes a powerful thriller fuelled by bigger ideas. Tom Hanks stars as the titular captain, a hardworking everyman who must face off with the pirate captain (Barkhad Abdi).

Even though you know how the story ends, director Paul Greengrass delivers forceful suspense on top of social commentary that doesn't feel forced. Tom Hanks is at his stoniest, matched only by his foil — the desperate, emaciated pirate captain who wears a thin mask of thunder and bravado. Out there on the ocean, both men struggle with forces beyond their control.

Blue Jasmine (PG-13) — Jasmine (Cate Blanchett) is a shiny member of the Manhattan elite who moves into her sister's house (and the real world) after the financial collapse. Jasmine's sister, Ginger (Sally Hawkins), is down-to-earth, but suffers from a chronic lack of judgment with men. Still, it's Jasmine who is truly a mess — in the same breath, she gripes about her first-class flight from New York and then moans about how penniless she is.

This is easily among the best work Woody Allen has produced in the past decade or so. The movie cuts in flashbacks to Jasmine's old life while showing the present-day turning point of her moving into her sister's working-class San Francisco apartment. You're never entirely sure which way the story is going, who is right and who deserves sympathy.

In a World ... (R) — First-time writer

plays Carol, a voice coach for voice artists. Her ambition is to become a fixture in the world of movie-tr voices — a tough nut to crack, especially when the field is a boys' governed by her father. Bell is backed by an ensemble of comedic actors their A-games (Nick Offerman, Corddry, Ken Marino and Tig Notaro).



Tom Hanks in "Captain Phillips"

"Instructions Not Included"

(R) — Director and star Eugenio Derbez brings us a cute dramedy about growing up and sticking up for what we want. Valentin (Eugenio Derbez) lived the easy life until an old man dropped off a baby daughter at his doorstep. Valentin learns to love and rely on the little girl as he builds a career as a Hollywood stuntman. tone shifts to a deeper note when mother returns six years later, and Valentin realizes he could lose the center of his life.

TV RELEASES
NYPD Blue: Season Five
The Returned
The Cosby Show — Season 1
Wings — Season 3 and 4
Comedy Bang Bang: Season 1

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Top 10 DVD, Blu-ray Rentals

1. **We're the Millers**(R)
Jennifer Aniston
2. **Elysium**(R)
Matt Damon
3. **The Wolverine**(PG-13)
Hugh Jackman
4. **2 Guns**(R)
Mark Wahlberg
5. **Man of Steel**(PG-13)
Henry Cavill
6. **The Lone Ranger**(PG-13)
Johnny Depp
7. **The Iceman**(R)
Sandra Bullock
8. **Insidious: Chapter 2**(PG-13)
Patrick Wilson
9. **The Internship**(PG-13)
Vince Vaughn
10. **White House Down**(PG-13)
Channing Tatum



In Meat We Trust: An Unexpected History of Carnivore America
by Maureen Ogle
(Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, \$28)
Reviewed by Larry Cox

The battle surrounding meat and livestock production ranks among the longest-waged and hardest-fought in American history. It is a debate that dates back to the Colonial era. For her new book, Iowa-based author and historian Maureen Ogle sifted through more than 200 years of government documents, agriculture trade magazines, newspapers and personal accounts to serve up an unbiased look at how the American meat industry was shaped, by whom and to what end.

Ogle believes that meat and its consumption help define us as Americans, and she began her research guided by two main goals: to educate herself about livestock production and meat processing, two of this country's biggest industries, and to pass along what she learned so that we would better understand how meat gets to our plates.

One of her more startling findings concerned manure lagoons. To cut production costs, livestock producers began constructing and maintaining what amounts to open sewage tanks. While these lagoons have become rather common, few people — including farmers, public health officials and even engineers — understand the long-term consequences of these storage areas, especially when catastrophic flooding occurs.

"In Meat We Trust" overturns many widely held assumptions about meat and meat production. For example, chicken, so popular today, was rare in urban American kitchens until the mid-20th century. And confinement livestock systems were born on the family farm; corporate producers did not adopt the practice until the 1970s.

"In Meat We Trust" addresses many of the big questions about our carnivorous future. As Ogle writes, "We won't transform our meat culture by turning Big Food or replacing Big Ag with a locavore-centered, alternative food system, but by examining our sense of 'meat entitlement' and the way it contributes to the high cost of cheap living."

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TOP FIVE MOVIES

1. **Frozen** (PG) animated
2. **Paranormal Activity: The Marked Ones** (R) Andrew Jacobs, Jorge Diaz
3. **The Hobbit: The Desolation of Smaug** (PG-13) Ian McKellen, Martin Freeman
4. **The Wolf of Wall Street** (R) Leonardo DiCaprio, Jonah Hill
5. **American Hustle** (R) Christian Bale, Amy Adams

Oasis RV News

By Georgianna Mills

We were glad that Emma West is back on the scene and that her surgery went well. Welcome back home, Emma.

Frank and Arlene Huiet were blessed to have their son, Ken, from Beavercreek, Ohio, and their daughter, Margaret, and husband Jeff Harriman from Bixley, Ohio, visiting with them and getting out of the cold weather up North. They have been having a lot of fun seeing all the sights of Florida.

We saw 17 of the Red Hats having a wonderful time at their luncheon on Thursday. How wonderful to see these young ladies all decked out in their finest. Some very pretty hats.

We were glad that Mike and Connie Akelian made it back after Mike was detained with some health problems. Looking good, Mike, and welcome home. Welcome Richard and Marie Buntley. We hope you will enjoy all that the Oasis has to offer.

Keep Gary and Shirley Hyde in your prayers as they travel for his checkups.

BINGO

Jan. 9, Mae Mesberger won the 50/50, six merchant certificates were given out, Audrey

Semler got the jackpot and the jar was split three ways among Gary Couzzo, Arlene Huiet and Charlene Hooper.

Jan. 13, Donna Paff won the 50/50. Shirley Hyde and Alicia Orndas split the jackpot, then Shirley turned around and won the jar.

POKE

Jan. 10, we had five players. Jeff Riggs and Janelle Reid were the winners.

Monday's game saw five players, and Joyce Longueuil bagged for the day.

SHUFFLEBOARD

Between the cold and rain, we were having trouble getting much shuffleboard in. We did have 10 people who managed to get at least one game in before it rained, so we had no big winners.

WII BOWLING

We had 10 bowlers with many new players this week. Bruce had the highest score of 211, with the average of 200.

EXERCISE

Every morning at 9:30 the gals are doing their best to keep healthy. Come on out and get fit. May God bless you.

Pioneer Creek RV News

By Reggie DeSmet

CHAPEL

Dale and Katie Cooley and Bruce and Peggy Jo Hook greeted 157 for chapel service.

There were many new arrivals to stand and be recognized as Wayne Shick welcomed everyone and led the hymns. Sandy

Solunar Forecast

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Day Length 10 hrs. 45 mins.	Day Length 10 hrs. 47 mins.	Day Length 10 hrs. 50 mins.	Day Length 10 hrs. 52 mins.
Moon Data Rise: 12:49 AM Set: 12:13 PM Overhead: 6:34 AM Underfoot: 7:00 PM	Moon Data Rise: 2:49 AM Set: 1:53 PM Overhead: 8:23 AM Underfoot: 8:52 PM	Moon Data Rise: 4:51 AM Set: 3:56 PM Overhead: 10:24 AM Underfoot: 10:55 PM	Moon Data Rise: 6:42 AM Set: 6:11 PM Overhead: 12:26 PM Underfoot: --:--
Moon Phase Solar Table Moon Phase is 50% per cent last 50% Last Quarter	Moon Phase Solar Table Moon Phase is 24% per cent waxing 24% Waning Crescent	Moon Phase Solar Table Moon Phase is 7% per cent waxing 7% Waning Crescent	Moon Phase Solar Table Moon Phase is 0% per cent waxing 0% NEW MOON
Major Times 6:34 AM - 8:34 AM 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM	Major Times 8:23 AM - 10:23 AM 8:52 PM - 10:52 AM	Major Times 10:24 AM-12:24 PM 10:55 PM-12:55 PM	Major Times 12:26 PM - 1:26 PM 12:26 PM - 1:26 PM
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Prediction Solar Prediction is for a Average day of Hunting or Fishing Average+	Prediction Solar Prediction is for a Average day of Hunting or Fishing Average	Prediction Solar Prediction is for a Good day of Hunting or Fishing Good	Prediction Solar Prediction is for a Best day of Hunting or Fishing Best
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Feeler led the devotion by using a train to symbolize the story for being faithful until the end.

The choir anthem was "Now Greet the Swiftly Changing Year," directed by Sandy and piano by Cheryl Conklin, and a solo sung by Dan Yurovich, "Sweet Peace."

Pastor David spoke from Psalms 143; his sermon titled "Answer Me Quickly Lord." Four areas in response: first, answer me quickly, Lord; second, don't bring me into judgment; third, show me the way to do Thy will; fourth and final, and rescue me from my enemies.

SCOREBOARD

Bowling: For the men, Dave Thompson high score 220 and high series 591. For the women, Arlene Sebright high score 182 and high series 452. Frank Feeler had a 6/8 and Pat Fuller had a 2/7 split. Great scores, gang!

Horseshoes: Creekers played at home against Reflections, with the match ending in a tie of 16 due to a ringer made by Jim Helgren on the last throw of the day. Fran Posey won 50/50, the second lucky win of the week for her, as she had a scratch-off win as well.

SPOTLIGHT

Don and Darlene met 50 years ago in July at a grocery store, Olson's in Travis City, Mich., with Darlene dropping a cherry pie and Don was called for "cleanup in aisle three." Both hale from Travis City, and have

enjoyed two daughters and five grandchildren.

Don became an assistant manager at Olson's, and seven years later went to work for a food service as a sales representative serving half of northern Michigan. Darlene was a housewife and mother. Following the children growing up, Darlene worked for a manufactured home park as a sales representative, and later became a real estate agent. They both retired from these positions and Don enjoys fishing, hunting, cycling, bowling and bocce. Darlene enjoys knitting, crafting, making jewelry and sewing. They both enjoy learning to shuffle and sightseeing and exploring. Hawaii has been one of their favorite location visits and also Puerto Vallarta, Mexico.

Don's claim to fame is setting the record for the highest basketball score while in high school and also being voted citizen of the year. Darlene's claim to fame is qualification for high sales, rewarded with a company car for two or three years from Shaklee products.

Don and Darlene have become residents of our park after only renting two weeks last season because friends had suggested trying our park, while here enjoying all the people of our park and activities that are available.

We welcome you and know you will be wonderful residents for us to get to know.

Letter To The Editor

All Commerce Park Uses Subject To County OK

Dear Editor:

I offer the following correction in response to the January 9, 2014 article titled "P&Z Nixes Commerce Park Expansion Plan."

The article states that "County Planner Kevin Denny, who wrote the staff report, said the C/IBC zoning change would allow for most uses, such as manufacturing, to locate in the park without any additional ap-

roval." This is not the case.

All proposed uses in the park will require additional review and approval by the County. The vast majority of uses would be reviewed by the Planning and Zoning Board during the site development plan process.

Sincerely,
Kevin Denny, AICP
Director of Planning and Development

Area Band Students Join In Concert

On Thursday, Jan. 30, at 7 p.m., the Heartland Educational Consortium in cooperation with its member districts, DeSoto, Glades, Hardee, Hendry, Highlands and Okeechobee, will present the 17th annual Honor Band Concert.

The performance will be at South Florida State College Auditorium.

The Heartland Educational Consortium Board recognizes this as one of the most outstanding programs in Florida for instrumental music. Band directors from the districts work diligently to provide this opportunity for their best musicians.

The students from the participating school districts have been

selected based upon their musical ability. They will have the opportunity to perform with a group of approximately 100 musicians who have demonstrated their expertise.

The middle school students will perform first, followed by the senior high students.

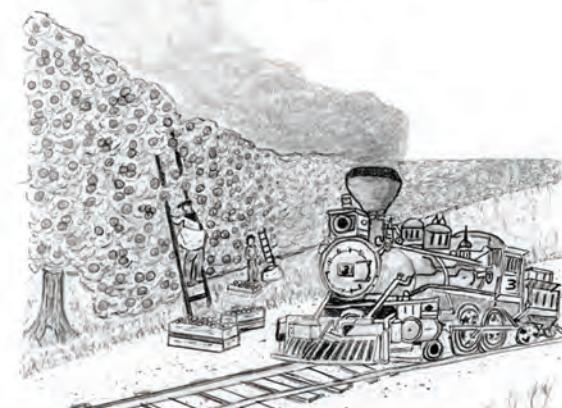
Most of the 200 students have never had the opportunity to perform in a group of this magnitude or with this high level of musical skill.

At 6:45, the doors of the auditorium will be open for public seating. At that time, seating will be on a first-come, first-served basis until seats are filled.

The program will last approximately one hour.

Pioneer Park Days

2013



Tracey Nix of Wauchula

JUDGES

JANE LONG — PIONEER PARK DAYS DIRECTOR
WILLIAM BRUCE SMITH — CHIEF JUDGE FOR 10TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
MYSTERY JUDGE — WISHES TO REMAIN ANONYMOUS

PIONEER PARK DAYS COVER ART CONTEST

The Herald-Advocate is seeking original artwork for the front and back covers of its annual special tabloid section on Hardee County's most popular festival. It could be yours!

ADULT DIVISION

First place: • \$100 Cash.
• Publication of your work on the front cover.
• Your photo and biographical story inside.

Second place: • \$50 Cash.
• Publication of your winning entry inside the special section.

Third place: • \$25 Cash.
• Publication of your winning entry inside the special section.

CHILDREN'S DIVISION (12 AND UNDER)

A week-long pass to Pioneer Park Days, publication of the artwork, plus . . .

First place: • \$25 Cash.
• Publication on the back cover.

Second place: • \$15 Cash.

Third place: • \$10 Cash.

RULES:

- 1) Open to all ages. Artist need not be a resident of Hardee County to enter.
- 2) Artwork must be original.
- 3) The festival theme of antique engines, farm machinery or pioneer life must be depicted.
- 4) Pen and ink, charcoal, dark pencil or black marker.
- 5) Art MUST fill an area 8.5 inches wide by 11 inches high, including lettering which reads "Pioneer Park Days 2014." (Drawing must be VERTICAL!)
- 6) Deadline is Wednesday, Feb. 5, at 1 p.m..

TO ENTER:

Make sure the division, name, address and daytime phone number of the artist are attached to the drawing. Bring entries in person to the newspaper office at 115 S. Seventh Ave. in Wauchula, or mail to Cover Art Contest, The Herald-Advocate, P.O. Box 338, Wauchula, FL 33873.

1:30pm

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
FLORIDA IN AND FOR
THE COUNTY OF HARDEE**

CIVIL ACTION NO.:
25-2014-CA-000008
PARCEL NO.: 100

STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION,

Petitioner,

-vs-

MARILYN WALSH, TRUSTEE OF THE MARILYN WALSH TRUST AGREEMENT DATED THE 28TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2007, AS TO AN UNDIVIDED ONE-HALF (1/2) INTEREST AND JOHN A. BOUMENOT, TRUSTEE OF THE JOHN A. BOUMENOT TRUST DATED THE 18TH DAY OF AUGUST, 2005, AS TO AN UNDIVIDED ONE-HALF (1/2) INTEREST; JOHN A. BOUMENOT, TRUSTEE D/B/A SECURE PUBLIC STORAGE RV AND BOAT STORAGE; KATHY L. CRAWFORD, PROPERTY APPRAISER; JACKI JOHNSON, TAX COLLECTOR.

Defendants.

**NOTICE TO SHOW CAUSE
AND NOTICE OF SUIT**

STATE OF FLORIDA TO:

Frank Sabatino, Trustee of the Frank Sabatino Trust UAD 6/20/94 W7175 Chicago Point Road Wautoma, WI 54982

To all said Defendants who are living, and if any or all defendants are deceased, the unknown spouse, heirs, devisees, grantees, creditors, liens, or other parties claiming by, through, under, or against any such deceased defendant or defendants, if alive, and, if dead, their unknown spouse, heirs, devisees, legatees, grantees, creditors, liens, or other parties claiming by, through, under, or against any such deceased defendant or defendants, and all other parties having or claiming to have any right, title, or interest in and to the property described in the Petition, to wit:

PARCEL 100

ESTATE OR INTEREST TO BE OBTAINED: FEE SIMPLE - RIGHT OF WAY

That portion of Lot 1, Walsh Mini-Storage Subdivision, a subdivision in Section 15, Township 36 South, Range 25 East, as per plat thereof recorded in Plat Bar B-53, Page 1, Public Records of Hardee County, Florida.

Being described as follows:

Commence at the southwest corner of said Section 15; thence along the south line of said Section 15, South 89°45'28" East a distance of 842.54 feet to the survey base line of State Road 35 (US 17); thence along said south line North 89°45'28" West a distance of 35.25 feet to the west existing right of way line of said State Road 35 (per said plat) for a POINT OF BEGINNING; thence continue along said south line North 89°45'28" West a distance of 33.07 feet; thence North 21°52'28" East a distance of 202.54 feet; thence North 21°26'37" East a distance of 421.40 feet to the north of said Lot 1, also the north line of a 40' access easement; thence along said north line South 77°00'33" East a distance of 28.97 feet to said west existing right of way line of State Road 35; thence along said west existing right of way line of State Road 35; thence along said west existing right of way line South 21°23'09" West a distance of 616.23 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING.

Containing 18,113 square feet.

You are each notified that the Petitioner filed its Petition and its Declaration of Taking in this Court against you as defendants, seeking to condemn by eminent domain the above described property located in the State of Florida, County of Hardee.

You are further notified that the Petitioner will apply to the Honorable Marcus Ezelle, one of the Judges of this Court on the 14th day of March, 2014, at 11:30 A.M., at the Hardee County Courthouse, 417 W. Main Street, Courtroom B, Suite 309, Wauchula, Florida, for an Order of Taking in this cause.

All defendants to this suit may request a hearing at the time and place designated and be heard. Any defendants failing to file a request for hearing shall waive any right to object to the Order of Taking.

AND

Each defendant is hereby required to serve written defenses, if any, and request a hearing, if desired, to said Petition on:

**DEPARTMENT OF
TRANSPORTATION**
Post Office Box 1249
Bartow, Florida 33831
C/O Mr. Kenneth L. Hadley,
Assistant General Counsel
(863) 519-2623
Florida Bar No.: 0176745

on or before the 21 day of February, A.D., 2014 and file the originals with the Clerk of this Court on

that date, to show cause what right, title, interest, or lien you or any of you have in and to the property described in the Petition and to show cause, if any you have, why the property should not be condemned for the uses and purposes set forth in the Petition. If you fail to answer, a default may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Petition. If you fail to request a hearing on the Petition for Order of Taking you shall waive any right to object to said Order of Taking.

"IF YOU ARE A PERSON WITH A DISABILITY WHO NEEDS ANY ACCOMMODATION IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS PROCEEDING, YOU ARE ENTITLED, AT NO COST TO YOU, TO THE PROVISION OF CERTAIN ASSISTANCE. PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE OF THE COURT ADMINISTRATOR AT (863) 534-4686 AT LEAST 7 DAYS BEFORE YOUR SCHEDULED COURT APPEARANCE, OR IMMEDIATELY UPON RECEIVING THIS NOTIFICATION IF THE TIME BEFORE THE SCHEDULED APPEARANCE IS LESS THAN 7 DAYS; IF YOU ARE HEARING OR VOICE IMPAIRED, PLEASE CALL 711."

WITNESSED MY HAND AND SEAL of said Court on the 9 day of January, A.D., 2014.

VICTORIA L. ROGERS
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT

By: Connie Coker
Deputy Clerk

1:16,23c

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR HARDEE COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION

FILE NO. 252014GA000001

IN RE: GUARDIANSHIP OF CAYLIN SKIPPER,

NOTICE OF ACTION

TO: JASON SKIPPER

Unknown

Unknown

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that a Petition for Appointment of Guardian of Minor has been filed in this court. You are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, on petitioner's attorney, whose name and address are: Robert D. Hines, Hines Norman Hines, P.L., 1312 W. Fletcher Avenue, Suite B, Tampa, FL 33612 on or before February 14, 2014, and to file the original of the written defenses with the clerk of this court either before service or immediately thereafter. Failure to serve and file written defenses as required may result in judgment or order for the relief demanded, without further notice.

Signed on January 9, 2014.

Victoria L. Rogers
As Clerk of the Court

By: Edwina Murphy
As Deputy Clerk

1:16-2:6c

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR HARDEE COUNTY, FLORIDA

Case No.: 252014DR000017

DESERVIL LAMY,
Petitioner,

and

AUGUSTINE DUVERSIN,
Respondent.

NOTICE OF ACTION FOR DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE (NO CHILD OR FINANCIAL SUPPORT)

TO: AUGUSTINE DUVERSIN

Boynton Beach, FL

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for dissolution of marriage has been filed against you and that you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Deservil Lamy whose address is 733 LaPlaya Drive, Wauchula, FL on or before February 14, 2014, and file the original with the clerk of this Court at 417 W. Main St., Wauchula, FL 33873, Room 202, before service on Petitioner or immediately thereafter. If you fail to do so, a default may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the petition.

Copies of all court documents in this case, including orders, are available at the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office. You may review these documents upon request.

You must keep the Clerk of Circuit Court's office notified of your current address. (You may file Notice of Current Address, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.915.) Future papers in this lawsuit will be mailed to the address on record at the clerk's office.

Warning: Rule 12.285, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure, requires certain automatic disclosure of documents and information. Failure to comply can result in sanctions, including dismissal or striking of pleadings.

Dated: January 13, 2014
Victoria L. Rogers
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT

By: Connie Coker
Deputy Clerk

1:16-2:6p

on or before the 21 day of February, A.D., 2014 and file the originals with the Clerk of this Court on

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 10TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HARDEE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CIVIL ACTION NO.:
25-2014-CA-000006
PARCEL NO.: 102

STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION,

Petitioner,

-vs-

NIKKI E. KEIRNS; MOONSTONE LIEN INVESTMENTS, LLC; STATE OF FLORIDA, DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE; WAPN, AS CUST FOR TC 13 SUBSIDIARY, LLC; KATHY L. CRAWFORD, PROPERTY APPRAISER; JACKI JOHNSON, TAX COLLECTOR,

Defendants.

NOTICE TO SHOW CAUSE AND NOTICE OF SUIT

Nikki E. Keirns
125 Oak Lane
Zolfo Springs, Florida 33890
Parcel: 102

To all said Defendants who are living, and if any or all Defendants are deceased, the unknown spouse, heirs, devisees, grantees, creditors, liens, or other parties claiming by, through, under, or against any such deceased defendant or defendants, if alive, and, if dead, their unknown spouse, heirs, devisees, legatees, grantees, creditors, liens, or other parties claiming by, through, under, or against any such deceased defendant or defendants, and all other parties having or claiming to have any right, title, or interest in and to the property described in the Petition, to-wit:

F.P. NO. 4145471
SECTION 06010-000
PARCEL 102
FEE SIMPLE - RIGHT OF WAY

That portion of the southwest 1/4 of Section 15, Township 36 South, Range 25 East, Hardee County, Florida.

Being described as follows:

Commence at the southwest corner of said Section 15; thence along the south line of said Section 15, South 89°45'28" East a distance of 842.54 feet to the survey base line of State Road 35 (US 17); thence along said south line North 89°45'28" West a distance of 35.25 feet to the west existing right of way line of said State Road 35 (per said plat) for a POINT OF BEGINNING; thence continue along said south line North 89°45'28" West a distance of 33.07 feet; thence North 21°52'28" East a distance of 202.54 feet; thence North 21°26'37" East a distance of 421.40 feet to the north of said Lot 1, also the north line of a 40' access easement; thence along said north line South 77°00'33" East a distance of 28.97 feet to said west existing right of way line of State Road 35; thence along said west existing right of way line of State Road 35; thence along said west existing right of way line South 21°23'09" West a distance of 616.23 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING.

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**STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL**
801 N. Broadway Avenue, Bartow, Florida 33830
c/o Kenneth L. Hadley, Assistant General Counsel (863) 519-2623

on or before the February 21, 2014 and file the originals with the Clerk of this Court on that date, to show cause what right, title, interest, or lien you or any of you have in and to the property described in the Petition and to show cause, if any you have, why the property should not be condemned for the uses and purposes set forth in the Petition. If you fail to answer, a default may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Petition. If you fail to request a hearing on the Petition for Order of Taking you shall waive any right to object to said Order of Taking.

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STATE OF FLORIDA TO:

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Courthouse Report

COUNTY COURT

The following marriage licenses were issued recently in the office of the county court:

- Pablo Molina-DeLaCruz, 40, Wauchula, and Sofia Rosales-Carillo, 35, Wauchula.
- J. Javier Paniagua-Garcia, 36, Zolfo Springs, and Linda Deli Quintana-Paniagua, 26, Zolfo Springs.
- Otis Charles Sterling, 43, Zolfo Springs, and Bobbie Jean Turner, 39, Zolfo Springs.
- Bradley Charles Williams, 27, Wauchula, and Amanda

Leigh Purdy, 27, Wauchula.

The following small claims cases were disposed of recently by the county judge:

- Benny Boone vs. Bryan and Suzanne See, judgment.
- Branca's Air Conditioning and Appliances vs. Reginald Brown, judgment.
- Discover Bank vs. Marcelino Balderas Jr., dismissed.
- Equable Ascent Financial vs. Thomas M. Cassidy, voluntary dismissal.

The following misdemeanor

patrol techniques, First Aid, terrorism, Florida Statutes, and those mandated by the Florida Department of Business Regulation.

The course will be held Monday through Thursday, from 6 to 10 p.m., and begins on Monday, Jan. 27. It will be held at the SFSC Highlands Campus, 12 W. College Dr., Avon Park.

Pre-registration is required, and the course number is CRN 11638. The cost is \$170 per person. Participants may register at any SFSC campus or center.

Security Guard Class Set

South Florida State College's Public Service Academy is offering a security guard training course.

This 40-hour course is required for a state of Florida licensed security guard, Class D license.

Topics covered will include

Crime Blotter

During the past week, sheriff's deputies and city police officers investigated the following incidents and made the following arrests:

COUNTY

Jan. 19, Donna Jean Granadero, 52, of 428 Rainey Blvd., Wauchula, was arrested by Dep. David Cruz and charged with possession of marijuana.

Jan. 19, a theft on U.S. 17 North was reported.

Jan. 18, business burglaries on SR 64 East and on U.S. 17 North, burglary of a conveyance on Quail Road and a theft on U.S. 17 North were reported.

Jan. 17, John Andrew Whidden, 26, of 1162 N. Florida Ave., Wauchula, was arrested by Cpl. Manuel Zuniga and charged with battery and simple assault — threat to do violence.

Jan. 17, Samuel Gene Kersey, 35, P.O. Box 1255, Bowling Green, was arrested by Det. John Shivers on two counts of contempt of court — violation of an injunction for protection.

Jan. 17, Justin James Christianson, 22, of 3955 Oak Hill Ranch Road, Zolfo Springs, was arrested by Dep. Bradford Merkel and charged with battery.

Jan. 17, Alfonso Espinoza, 29, of 2735 Buck Dr., Zolfo Springs, as arrested by the Drug Task Force (DTF) on an out-of-state fugitive warrant.

Jan. 17, a residential burglary on Palmetto Street and a theft on U.S. 17 North were reported.

Jan. 16, Randy Lee Hamilton, 28, of Colson Road, Wauchula, was arrested by Det. John Shivers on a charge of a career offender failure to report.

Jan. 16, Felipe Manriquez, 20, of 6958 Lily County Line Road, Ona, was arrested by Sgt. Lyle Hart on a charge of violation of probation.

Jan. 16, Christopher Andrew Stone, 37, of 224 Soggy Bottom Lane, Wauchula, was arrested by DTF and charged with possession of methamphetamine, possession of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Jan. 16, a vehicle stolen on Moye Road, and thefts on Doc Coil Road and on SR 64 East were reported.

Jan. 15, Dustin Moses, 29, of 25 N. Seminole Ave., Fort Meade, was arrested by Dep. Bradford Merkel on a charge of failure to appear in court.

Jan. 15, Randy Scott Rehart, 22, of 4004 Alpine St., Sebring, was arrested by Sgt. Lyle Hart and charged with smuggling contraband into a prison/inmate.

Jan. 15, Jessica Nichole Gonzales, 23, of 426 Lynn St., Bowling Green, was arrested by Sgt. Lyle Hart and charged with criminal mischief — damage to property and trespassing on structure/conveyance.

Jan. 15, Tim Merle Whidden, 45, of 2205 Lawrence Roberts Lane, Wauchula, was arrested by DTF on an out-of-county warrant.

Jan. 15, a tag stolen on Popash Road, and thefts on Schoolhouse Road and on East Main Street were reported.

Jan. 14, Michael James Staton, 21, of 1155 U.S. 17 North, was detained on additional charges of possession of drug paraphernalia and a traffic offense.

Jan. 13, Shadarius Terridge Camel, 20, of 641 Baker St., Wauchula, was arrested by Capt. Andrew Rigney on charges of failure to appear in court and violation of probation.

Jan. 13, Perry Aldophous McDonald, 44, of 618 Chamberlain Blvd., Wauchula, was arrested by Capt. Andrew Rigney on a charge of withholding support of children.

Jan. 13, a criminal mischief on Fifth Street South was reported.

WAUCHULA

Jan. 18, Gregory Adam Boyett, 26, of 1013 N. Ninth Ave., Wauchula, was arrested by Ofc. Pablo Bermudez on a charge of violation of probation.

Jan. 14, thefts on Stenstrom Road and on Ohio Avenue were reported.

Jan. 13, criminal mischief on Fifth Street South was reported.

BOWLING GREEN

Jan. 18, a business burglary on Central Avenue was reported.

Jan. 17, a residential burglary on First Street was reported.

Jan. 16, Daniel Juarez, 27, of 4155 Maple Ave., Bowling Green, was arrested by Ofc. Dan Franklin and charged with possession of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Jan. 15, Jeff Austin McCall, 38, of 567 Callie Lane, Bowling Green, was arrested by Chief John Scheel and charged with battery.

Jan. 15, a theft on U.S. 17 North was reported.

cases were disposed of recently in county court:

William Lee Comfort, giving a false name to a law enforcement officer, not prosecuted.

Jose Rubio Gonzalez, disorderly intoxication and trespass upon an enclosed curtilage of a dwelling, 105 days in jail, \$475 fines, costs and fees.

Guadalupe Reyna, battery, transferred to pretrial intervention program, return April 2.

Jose Luis Ruiz, possession of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia, transferred to pretrial intervention program, return May 7.

Robert Keith Smith, battery, transferred to pretrial intervention program, return March 19.

Justin Allen Wyatt, battery, not prosecuted.

Andreqa Lexus Aguilar, possession of marijuana, adjudication withheld, probation 12 months, \$525 fine, court costs and fees, 16 hours community service.

Scottie Boyles, violation of a domestic violence injunction for protection, five months in jail, \$425 fine, costs and fees.

Warren Heath Kennedy, resisting/obstructing an officer without violence, transferred to pretrial intervention program, return Feb. 19.

Levi Lambert, battery, transferred to pretrial intervention program, return March 5.

Sergio Leon Perez, retail theft, transferred to pretrial intervention program, return March 5.

Jama Alane Smallwood, petit theft, not prosecuted.

Edward Lee Taylor, retail theft, 148 days in jail, \$425 fines, costs and fees.

Martinka Ildefonso, battery, not prosecuted.

Rocky L. Williamson, attempting to take deer at night with light and gun, completed pretrial intervention program, not prosecuted.

Aaron Witherington, domestic battery, not prosecuted.

Susan Annette Hulsey and DOR vs. Amy Rebecca McQuaig, order on child support contempt.

Brian Keith McQuaig and DOR vs. Amy Rebecca McQuaig, order on child support contempt.

Maurice Evangeline Rodriguez Rivers and Charlie Lee Rivers, divorce.

Tami Poucher vs. Lacy McCoy, petition for injunction for protection denied.

Rita Marie Williams and DOR vs. John R. Aleshire, child support suspended.

JPMorgan Chase Bank vs. Felixciano D. Cambray, Rosa Coronado Cambray et al, judgment.

Krystal R. Carter vs. Matthew A. Carter, modification of child support.

Sofia A. Carvezos-Alarcon vs. Roberto Carvezos and DOR, modification of child support.

Jennifer Maldonado and DOR vs. Isaac Maldonado, order on child support credit.

Ocwen Loan Servicing vs. Mario Wilson et al, order.

Wauchula State Bank vs. Michael H. and Patricia G. Groff, judgment.

Wauchula State Bank vs. Cudberto Gotav, judgment.

State Department of Transportation vs. Darrell Scott, Eloise Scott et al, order of taking by eminent domain.

Gladys V. Dixon and DOR vs. Wilfredo Santos VII, order on child support contempt.

Kimberly Michelle Stewart and DOR vs. Wilfredo Santos VII, order on child support contempt.

Jessica Dawn Norman, possession of methamphetamine, adjudication withheld, and pos-

session of drug paraphernalia, contempt.

DOR and the state Department of Families and Children vs. Wilfredo Santos VII, order on child support contempt.

Cheryl Lynn Treadway and DOR vs. Nathan E. Nickerson, child support order.

Erica Denise Alvarez and DOR vs. Nattiel Deric Camel, child support order.

Priscilla Anita Gaona and DOR vs. Alex Alamia, child support order.

Tera Lee Kay and DOR vs. Joseph Edward Fields, child support order.

Stephanie Escobedo and DOR vs. Saul Alamia, child support order.

Miranda Nichole Black and DOR vs. Robert Preston Bivens Jr., order on child support contempt.

Samantha Lynn Rodriguez and DOR vs. Fidencio Davila, order on child support contempt.

Joel David Gutierrez, violation of community control—house arrest (original charges two counts possession of methamphetamine and sale of methamphetamine), violation affidavit withdrawn, resume community control.

Javier Reyes-Lopez, possession of methamphetamine and possession of drug paraphernalia, transferred to drug pretrial intervention program, return Jan. 28.

Kara Smith, child abuse, 60 days in jail, \$970 fines, costs and fees.

The following felony criminal cases were disposed of recently by the circuit judge:

Defendants have been adjudicated guilty unless noted otherwise.

When adjudication is withheld, it is pending successful completion of probation.

Sentences are pursuant to an investigative report by and the recommendation of the state probation office and also state sentencing guidelines. Final discretion is left to the judge.

Tabatha Marie Prestridge, attempted armed robbery, probation seven years, restitution, designated as violent offender of special concern, \$1,659 fines, costs and fees; aggravated battery with a deadly weapon to cause great bodily harm, tampering or fabricating physical evidence and unlawful use of a two-way communication device, not prosecuted.

Joseph C. Long and DOR vs. Kristin Nicole Whiteside, petition for an administrative child support order.

Edward Jackobowski, administrator vs. Florida Institute for Neurologic Rehabilitation, damages—negligence.

Joseph C. Long and DOR vs. Kristin Nicole Whiteside, petition for an administrative child support order.

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Outta The Woods

By Tony Young

Florida Fish & Wildlife Commission

HUNTING SUCCESS ON SMALL-ACREAGE LEASES

Many people think you need a large tract of land for hunting to harvest a mature buck. But for a lot of us, leasing a large chunk of property is just not financially feasible.

So, I'm here to tell you that you don't need a large tract of land if your small hunting lease is in the right spot and you manage your herd correctly and let the young bucks walk.

My wife and I lease a little patch of woods less than 30 minutes from where we live and work. It's barely 20 acres, but has provided us some nice hunting over the past couple seasons.

We've made our little lease as good as we can make it. We've got corn and soybean feeders and mineral rocks out. We hire a good friend to bring over his tractor, and we plant cool-weather and warm-weather food plots twice a year.

There's a flock of turkeys on the property and a small deer herd. We're familiar with the deer that use the property because of the game cameras we have out and from what we see with our own eyes.

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But there were two nice mature eight-points that we have seen on camera for the past two years, and those were the only two deer that we were going to target this season, unless some other mature bucks showed up.

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LifeLinks ...

By Carolyn Hendry Wyatt

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10 COMMANDMENTS OF WEIGHT LOSS

Have you made your New Year's resolutions yet? Is one of your resolutions to lose weight this year?

I came across "The Ten Commandments of Weight Loss" on the Food & Health website (foodandhealth.com) that might just help you attain your weight-loss goal. Here they are!

1.) You should think "choose well" not "diet." Instead of trying to starve yourself, choose foods that allow you to fill up on fewer calories. These are foods that are:

- Minimally processed
- High in fiber
- Low in fat and sugar

Examples include fruits; vegetables; cooked whole grains such as barley, oatmeal, whole-wheat products and brown rice; and legumes. For protein, always pick leaner choices such as white breast meat of poultry (without skin), pork loin, lean beef, legumes and seafood. Prepare these items with little added fat.

2.) Try to make exercise fun.

• Take up several aerobic activities that are enjoyable, such as an aerobics class, walking, bike riding, swimming, running, hiking, softball, etc.

• Work out aerobically at least an hour a day, five or six days a week.

3.) Only eat when you are hungry.

- Avoid eating to relax, cure boredom or overcome depression.
- Instead, take a walk or call a friend.

4.) Take care when eating out.

• When you eat out, choose soup and salad or smaller dishes that are low in fat.

• Ask for sauces and dressings on the side. If portions are large, take half home.

5.) Be a smart shopper.

• Fill grocery carts 2/3 full of whole foods instead of pre-cessed convenience foods. These include fat-free dairy, fruits, whole grains, vegetables, seafood, chicken and lean cuts of meat.

• Buy plenty of fruits and vegetables. Aim for 5+ servings of fruits and vegetables each day.

6.) Snack for better health.

• Snack only when hungry.

• Instead of packaged snacks, think "out with the bag" and enjoy fresh fruits, vegetables with low-fat dips or fat-free light yogurt. Baked potatoes, sweet potatoes and oatmeal also make great snacks.

7.) Be a little adventurous.

• Be adventurous and expand your range of healthful food choices.

• Buy a low-fat cookbook to help you modify traditional high-fat favorites, and to introduce quick healthful dishes.

8.) Use less fat when cooking.

• Prepare foods using lower-fat cooking methods such as baking meats on a rack, broiling, grilling, roasting or steaming instead of frying.

• Eliminate "extra" fats. Trim visible fats from meats. Rinse cooked ground meat. Remove skin from poultry.

9.) Limit sugar and refined starch.

• Limit the amount of foods you eat that contain added sugars.

• Limit refined starch foods that are made with white flour and are low in fiber. Fill up instead with high-fiber choices such as corn, potatoes, yams, limas, peas, dried beans and whole grains.

10.) Don't skip breakfast. Starting the day with a high-fiber, low-fat breakfast will help you consume fewer calories the rest of the day. Never skip breakfast!

There you have them, the Ten Commandments of Weight Loss. Hopefully, you will find these helpful in achieving your weight-loss goal this year. Remember that making small, gradual, realistic changes that will build upon one another should help you to create a healthier future.

Why not start today?

Comfort Foods Made FAST AND HEALTHY!

By Healthy Exchanges

CABBAGE STUFFED MEAT ROLL

I love meatloaf. I also love stuffed cabbage rolls. So, I combined them, and now I have my newest favorite way to prepare meatloaf.

2 cups finely shredded cabbage

1/2 cup finely chopped onion

16 ounces extra-lean ground sirloin beef or turkey breast

1 cup cold cooked rice

1 1/2 teaspoons Worcestershire sauce

1 (8-ounce) can tomato sauce

2 tablespoons reduced-sodium ketchup

1 teaspoon dried parsley flakes

1/8 teaspoon black pepper

1. Preheat oven to 350 F. Spray 8-by-12-inch baking dish with butter-flavored cooking spray. In a large skillet sprayed with same cooking spray, saute cabbage and onion for 5 min-

utes. Remove from heat; set aside.

2. In large bowl, combine meat, rice, Worcestershire, 1/4 cup tomato sauce and ketchup. Mix well to combine. Place meat mixture on a sheet of waxed paper and form into a 12-by-10-inch rectangle. Sprinkle cabbage mixture evenly over top. Roll up jelly-roll fashion. Place meat roll in prepared baking dish, seam side down.

3. Bake for 45 minutes. Stir parsley and black pepper into remaining tomato sauce, and evenly spoon over partially baked meat roll. Continue baking for 15 minutes. Place baking dish on a wire rack and let set for 5 minutes. Makes 6 servings. Freezes well.

• Each serving equals: 162 calories, 6g fat, 15g protein, 12g carb., 326mg sodium, 2g fiber; Diabetic Exchanges: 2 Meat, 1 Vegetable, 1/2 Starch.

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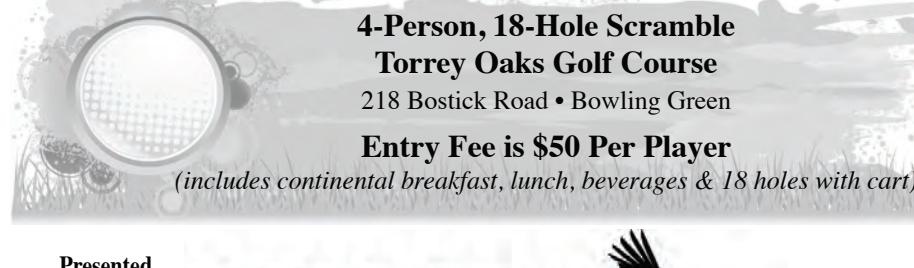
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