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Rubio elevating profile amid VP speculation

By **BRADLEY KLAPPER**
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Sen. Marco Rubio outlined his vision Wednesday of a more muscular American foreign policy, the latest salvo in his effort to elevate his profile as Republican presidential candidate Mitt Romney begins his search for a run-

ning mate. The Florida Republican's half-hour speech at the centrist Brookings Institution came four weeks after he endorsed Romney and two days after campaigning with him, and unveiled a new immigration proposal that breaks ranks with some in his own party.

Both in Washington and

around the country, the 40-year-old Cuban-American is pushing himself forward as a fresh conservative. He has remained coy about whether he would join Romney's ticket this November, but his careful criticism of Obama's leadership as well as isolationist tendencies in his own party reinforced the image he has

projected of himself as a tough conservative but one moderate enough for national election.

"Global problems do require international coalitions. On that point this administration is



Rubio

correct," Rubio told a crowd of almost 200 academics, policymakers and diplomats. "But effective international coalitions don't form themselves. They need to be instigated and led, and more often than not, they can only be instigated and led by us. And that is what this administration doesn't understand."

Introduced by Sen. Joe Lieberman, the Democratic vice presidential candidate in 2000, Rubio didn't address whether he's seeking the same office. The freshman lawmaker has frequently been mentioned as a potential choice for Romney and a Republican Party struggling

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Roundup for a Cure at Relay

Fundraiser in fight against cancer set for weekend.

By **LAURA HAMPSON**
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The stadium lights at Columbia High School will shine all night Friday, but not for competing athletes. Thousands will gather for the Columbia County Relay for Life to celebrate those who have battled cancer, remember loved ones lost and take a stand against the disease.

The relay starts Friday at 6 p.m. and runs until Saturday at noon in the CHS stadium, 469 SW Fighting Tiger Dr.

More than 150 cancer survivors will walk the first lap of the relay together. "They are so happy they're alive," said Maureen Lloyd, American Cancer Society board member and survivor. "It's exciting."

Teams of co-workers, students and friends will take turns walking the track all night. The walk symbolizes the journey a cancer patient goes through, said Kim Nicholson, event chair. After several hours walkers will be tired and may even want to give up, much like patients going through treatment. But when dawn breaks, it symbolizes the end of treatment and new beginnings, she said.

Fifty-four teams and 851 participants have fundraised throughout the year for the cancer society, she



Columbia City Elementary School teacher Dawn Vargo (center) dances with a dragon costume at the 2011 Relay for Life cancer awareness fundraiser in Lake City.

said. Teams will have camp sites designed around the western-theme Roundup for a Cure. Music and contests will keep walkers going all night, she said.

The relay is also a fun community event for those not walking. There be live entertainment, games, food, giveaways. There will be face painting and bounce houses for children as well. Admission is free.

"It's a very enjoyable event for families," Lloyd

said. For Lloyd the fight against cancer has been personal for several years. She was diagnosed with Non-Hodgkin's lymphoma in 2003. It was family friend and former Lake City Reporter publisher Rick Bacon who first noticed that Lloyd's eye was drooping, she said.

"Rick was the one that alerted me to my problem," she said. After taking pictures at a community event and noticing her eye,

Bacon urged Lloyd to see a doctor.

Lloyd thought she just looked tired from organizing the Cattle Baron's Ball, an American Cancer Society fundraiser, but saw a doctor anyway.

Although doctors didn't think there was anything wrong, they surgically removed a tumor, which turned out to be non-Hodgkin's lymphoma, a cancer of the lymphoid tissue.

The cancer was caught early and after radiation

treatments, Lloyd was given a clean bill of health in 2011.

The local American Cancer Society raised about \$67,000 last year from the relay and other events, Nicholson said.

Cancer survivors can register at 5:30 p.m. Friday to participate in the survivors' dinner and walk. At 7 a.m. Saturday there will be a free Zumba class for the community and relay participants.

NAACP lunch to stress voting

By **TONY BRITT**
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The Columbia County branch of the NAACP will celebrate three decades of local achievements, history and the organization's perseverance in seeking racial equality during its 30th Annual Freedom Fund Luncheon this weekend.

The event will take place at noon Saturday at the Winfield Community Center, 1324



Rivers

NW Winfield St. Attire for the event is semi-formal. Tickets are \$35 each and no tickets will be sold at the door. Tickets can be purchased from any NAACP executive committee member. The keynote speaker for this year's luncheon will be Rev. Nelson B. Rivers III, NAACP Vice President of Stakeholders Relations.

"The Freedom Fund Luncheon is our annual fundraiser," said Glynnell Presley, secretary to the branch and chairman of the Freedom Fund Luncheon. "It's the fundraiser we use to generate funds to operate throughout the year."

The theme for the 2012 event is: "NAACP: Your power, Your Decision — Vote."

"The theme is encourag-

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Surgeon-controlled robotics

Dr. Jack E. Cohen (right), D.O., a board certified orthopedic surgeon, explains Wednesday during a Chamber of Commerce gathering at Shands Lake Shore Regional Medical Center how he would use robotic-assisted technology on patients who suffer from early- to mid-stage osteoarthritis of the knee. Shands Lake Shore is the only hospital to have acquired this technology in Columbia, Alachua, Bradford and Suwannee counties. **See story, Page 6A.**

JASON MATTHEW WALKER/Lake City Reporter



Pedestrian struck, suffers broken arm

From staff reports

A Lake City man was struck by a pickup truck while crossing west U.S. Highway 90 in front of Zaxby's early Wednesday afternoon. George Lagrady suffered a broken arm and a head laceration, according to Lake City Police Department public information officer Steve Shaw. Lagrady was lifeflighted to a Gainesville hospital for medical treatment.

It was determined that the driver of the vehicle,



SCOTT DEFIBAUGH/ Special to the Reporter

A Lake City pedestrian was injured when he was struck by a pickup truck while crossing U.S. 90 early Wednesday afternoon.

Timothy Delbene, also of Lake City, was not at fault, reported that Lagrady was walking and talking after the accident.



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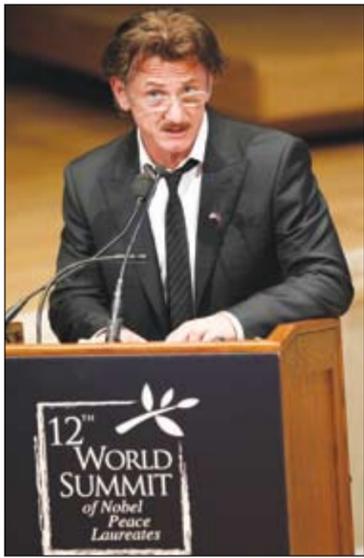
Penn receives award for Haiti work

CHICAGO – Oscar-winning actor Sean Penn has accepted an award from a gathering of Nobel Peace Prize laureates for his work in earthquake-ravaged Haiti.

Penn received the 2012 Peace Summit Award on Wednesday afternoon in Chicago, where Peace Prize laureates have been gathered for a three-day summit. He said in an emotional speech that he's "humbled" by the honor.

Penn has become a major player in efforts to rebuild Haiti since the January 2010 earthquake that flattened thousands of buildings, killed more than 300,000 and left at least 1.5 million homeless.

Penn spends at least half his time in Haiti. He's CEO of the J/P Haitian Relief Organization and is an ambassador-at-large for President Michel Martelly, the first non-Haitian to receive the designation.



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Actor Sean Penn addresses the crowd after receiving the 2012 Peace Summit Award from Mikhail Gorbachev, former president of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, during the World Summit of Nobel Peace Laureates Wednesday.

Family feud, not health, getting country star Jones upset

NASHVILLE, Tenn. – It's not his health but a family feud that is bothering George Jones.

The 80-year-old country star posted a video message on his website Wednesday, thanking fans as he recovers from an upper respiratory infection. He then accused his daughter, Georgette Lennon, of spreading lies about him on the Internet.

He was hospitalized for nearly a week last month and had to postpone shows.

Lennon's mother is country singer Tammy Wynette.

Jones claims Lennon has been "putting so much bad things" about him on the Internet and Facebook. He says "none of these things are true. They are all about money."

Lennon says she is "completely

devastated" by his message and denies making any negative statements. She tells The Associated Press that she has "never wanted anything but his love."

'People' names Beyonce most beautiful woman

NEW YORK – People magazine has named Beyonce as the World's Most Beautiful Woman for 2012.

The 30-year-old singer tops the magazine's annual list of the "World's Most Beautiful" in a special double issue. The announcement was made Wednesday.

Commenting on her selection, Beyonce tells People: "I feel more beautiful than I've ever felt because I've given birth. I have never felt so connected, never felt like I had such a purpose on this Earth."

Beyonce, who is married to rapper Jay-Z, gave birth to a daughter, Blue Ivy Carter, in January.

"She's just the cutest thing," says the Grammy winner, who sings to her daughter and claims to "love" changing diapers.

Does Blue resemble mom or dad? "She looks like Blue," the singer says. "She's her own person."



Beyonce

Senator says no 'Girls Gone Wild' intern will work for him

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. – Arkansas Sen. Mark Pryor says his internship program isn't going wild.

Pryor on Wednesday denied a claim that the winner of a contest put on by the "Girls Gone Wild" video empire will intern in Pryor's office this summer.

"Girls Gone Wild" founder Joe Francis says he announced the internship would be part of the prize package for the winner of "The Search for the Hottest Girl in America" after bidding on it at a Los Angeles-based fundraiser last weekend. Francis refused to identify the charity or say how much he paid.

But Pryor's office says it doesn't sell or auction internships and calls the announcement a "hoax." A Pryor spokesman says he doesn't know what Francis thinks he bought but "he did not buy anything from our office, period."

(AP)

Celebrity Birthdays

- Actress-comedian Carol Burnett is 79.
- Songwriter-musician Duane Eddy is 74.
- Singer Bobby Rydell is 70.
- Rock musician Gary Wright is 69.
- Rock musician Roger Taylor (Duran Duran) is 52.
- Actor-singer Michael Damian is 50.
- Actor Jet Li is 49.
- Actor-comedian Kevin James is 47.
- Actor Channing Tatum is 32.

Daily Scripture

"To them God has chosen to make known among the Gentiles the glorious riches of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. He is the one we proclaim, admonishing and teaching everyone with all wisdom, so that we may present everyone fully mature in Christ."

— Colossians 1:27-28 NIV

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AROUND FLORIDA

Judge ordered Rubio's grandfather deported

MIAMI – An immigration judge ordered U.S. Sen. Marco Rubio's maternal grandfather deported back to Cuba in 1962, according to federal records obtained by The Associated Press under a Freedom of Information Act request.

Pedro Victor Garcia eventually was allowed to stay in the U.S. permanently when Congress passed the Cuban Adjustment Act in 1966.

But it's unclear what happened in between.

The records appear to show that Garcia was allowed to stay in the U.S. despite the deportation order, not surprising given that period was among the worst in the stormy relationship between the U.S. and Cuba's communist government.

Cuban leader Fidel Castro was still holding more than 1,000 captured Cuban exiles who participated in the failed U.S.-backed Bay of Pigs invasion in April 1961. The Cuban Missile Crisis would occur two months later.

Rubio wasn't even born when his grandfather was ordered "detained for hearing before a special inquiry officer," according to the records. The judge issued an oral opinion in the case, a recorded copy of which is now in the National Archives.

The revelation about his grandfather's deportation order comes as Rubio's name is increasingly mentioned as a possible GOP vice presidential nominee. The rising Republican star is viewed by his party as key to wooing Hispanic voters in swing states like Florida, Colorado and New Mexico. Yet while he has

long supported legal immigration, Rubio has mostly followed his party's line in opposing any proposal that resembles amnesty for illegal immigrants.

Rubio recently announced he is working to craft a bill that would allow some illegal immigrants to remain and work in the U.S. but would not help them gain a path to citizenship.

Ex-Miami officer pleads guilty to fraud charges

MIAMI – A former Miami police officer who once headed an association of black officers has pleaded guilty to stealing hundreds of thousands of dollars from the group's credit union accounts.

The Miami Herald reports that 46-year-old Vernell Reynolds pleaded guilty Wednesday to fraud and tax charges in Miami federal court.

Reynolds had served as president of the Miami Community Police Benevolent Association from 2005 to 2010. Court records show senior members eventually discovered unauthorized withdrawals from the group's accounts.

Prosecutors say Reynolds embezzled more than \$210,000 between 2008 and 2010. An investigation found that Reynolds had a serious gambling problem, making bets at the Seminole Hard Rock Hotel & Casino near Hollywood and other venues.

Deputy fired for visiting strip clubs while on duty

FORT LAUDERDALE – Authorities say a Broward County deputy has been fired for visiting strip clubs while he was on duty and wearing his uniform.

An internal affairs report obtained Monday by the South Florida Sun Sentinel says Erik Knutsen embarrassed the

agency, lied on reports and skipped official calls so he could remain at The Booby Trap, The Cheetah III and Allstar's. All three clubs were outside his zone of responsibility.

Knutsen was fired in February after five years with the sheriff's office. Following a complaint, investigators placed a tracker on Knutsen's patrol vehicle. Knutsen told investigators he was just visiting friends at the clubs, denying any involvement with the female strippers.

Two pedestrians killed in Silver Springs crash

SILVER SPRINGS – Authorities say two pedestrians were killed in north Florida when a flatbed truck ran them over.

Florida Highway Patrol reports that the man and woman were walking on a Silver Springs sidewalk Wednesday morning, when the truck veered across the oncoming lane, hit a curb and struck the pair, dragging their bodies several yards.

The Ocala Star-Banner reports that the truck smashed through a fence and into a motel parking lot, stopping inches from a swimming pool.

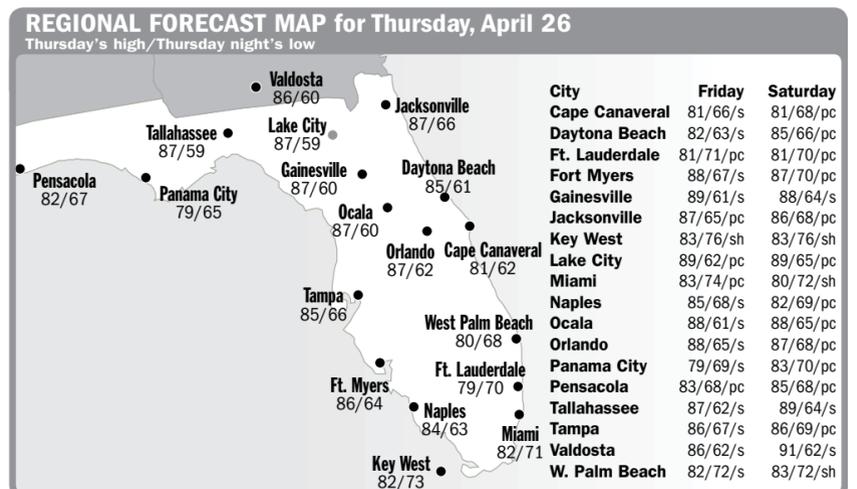
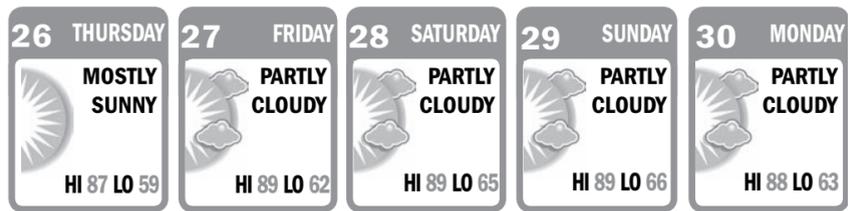
Zimmerman's Web site ends up disabled

ORLANDO – The website that George Zimmerman set up to help raise money for his legal defense has been disabled. The website www.therealgeorgezimmerman was no longer functioning as of Tuesday.

It was created almost two weeks ago by Zimmerman's family members to thank his supporters and also to receive donations from anyone who wanted to help with his legal defense.

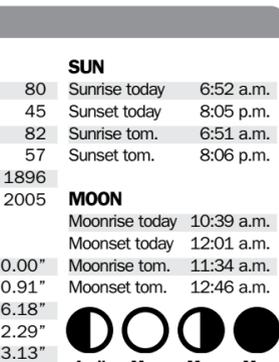
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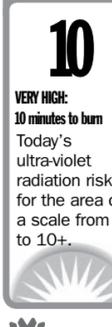


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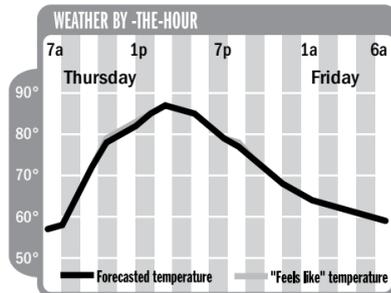


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NAACP: Lunch to focus on importance of voting

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ing individuals to register and vote in the upcoming November election," Presley said.

In addition to the luncheon, the program will feature special recognitions and award presentations.

The local NAACP branch will present the church membership Freedom Bell to the church that generated the most memberships during the organization's annual membership drive. This year the award will be presented to New Bethel Missionary Baptist Church.

The organization will also present a corporate award as well as a community award. Three lifetime memberships will also be awarded.

Organizers are expecting close to 300 people to attend the event, a number Presley said has risen over the years.

"The event has become so popular because of the speakers that we've had," he said. "We've had renowned speakers. Speakers that were simply good. When you add that we also had Tony Buzzella and the late Dr. Alfonso Levy, before he passed, they would provide musical entertainment."

Founded in 1909 by a group of black and white citizens, the NAACP is the nation's oldest and largest civil rights organization. Its adult and youth members throughout the United States and the world are premier advocates for civil rights in their communities.

Enterprise Florida accused of conflicts, needless secrecy

By **BILL KACZOR**
Associated Press

TALLAHASSEE — A new public interest group that focuses on government ethics accused Florida's public-private economic development partnership of conflicts of interest Wednesday and said needless secrecy also keeps taxpayers from knowing how the partnership spends millions of their dollars.

The group is called Integrity Florida and the target of its "Corruption Risk Report" is Enterprise Florida. The partnership offers state financial incentives for companies to move to or expand in

Florida if they promise to create jobs.

"We just want to follow the money," said Integrity Florida executive director Dan Krassner. "We just want to know when the jobs are going to be here."

Enterprise Florida President Gray Swoope disputed the report's findings and accused Krassner of "releasing half-truths to inflame emotions" and "disseminating misinformation and misrepresentations."

The report noted three companies on the partnership's board of directors have received incentives from Enterprise Florida: Publix Super Markets Inc., Embraer Aircraft Holding

Inc., and Lockheed Martin. Enterprise Florida spokesman Stuart Doyle denied that those and other deals cited in the report constituted conflicts of interest. Swoope's statement said board members have no input on individual projects and that final approval must come from the Department of Economic Opportunity, not Enterprise Florida.

A fourth board member, the GrayRobinson law firm, handled Enterprise Florida's legislative lobbying last year while the Ernst & Young accounting firm, which Enterprise Florida has hired to assess its performance, also received an

incentive. Swoope said state law allows such contracts although benefitting board members must abstain and declare the nature of their interest.

Gov. Rick Scott, who chairs Enterprise Florida, said he's open to more transparency. But he said it must be balanced with confidentiality to ensure Florida isn't put at a disadvantage in competing for new businesses.

"We always have to remember this is individual families' money," Scott said. "As soon as you can you ought to provide as much information as you can to the people who are paying."

RUBIO: Outlines foreign policy vision

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to improve its standing with Hispanic voters. A recent Pew Research Center survey showed Obama with a commanding 67 percent to 27 percent advantage over Romney with Hispanics.

Rubio provided a hawkish yet sober prescription for American leadership in conflicts from the Middle East and Asia to Latin America. He went beyond general Republican opposition to many of Obama's policies and avoided the outlandish claims that peppered Republican presidential primary debates last year.

He lamented "liberal Democrats and conservative Republicans" who championed U.S. withdrawal from Afghanistan and opposed involvement in Libya, and said Obama should have done even more to advance the cause of the rebels who toppled Moammar Gadhafi.

Yet he voiced support for Obama's statements against

a nuclear-armed Iran and praised President George W. Bush's aid efforts in Africa and President Bill Clinton's decision to intervene in Kosovo without a U.N. mandate. And he recounted cooperating with Democratic senators to raise pressure on human rights abusers and backsliding democracies from Syria to Nicaragua, standing up to the isolationist camps in both parties.

"Today, in the U.S. Senate, on foreign policy, if you go far enough to the right, you wind up on the left," Rubio said, positioning himself in the moderate center.

It's a message that could strengthen his vice presidential appeal. After a bruising primary campaign that saw Romney forced into addressing divisive social policy questions and stress his emerging conservative views over his record as a moderate Massachusetts

governor, he must now pivot back to the center for the general election.

A married father of four who defeated a popular ex-governor to become senator, Rubio's good looks, Latino heritage and conservatism give him obvious star power in the Republican Party. After a first year spent mainly hunkering down on senatorial work and avoiding the limelight, like Hillary Rodham Clinton a dozen years ago, he now appears to be positioning himself as a party leader.

Even if he stays out of this presidential race and Romney loses, Rubio would presumably be among the GOP front-runners for 2016. He'd be 45 and a six-year veteran of the Senate by then, with ample time to shape his public persona. And the Hispanic share of the vote will only increase in the meantime.

Senate: Make it tougher to close post offices

By **HOPE YEN**
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — A Senate bill aimed at saving the U.S. Postal Service would make it harder to close thousands of low-revenue post offices and end Saturday mail delivery, even though the struggling agency says those moves are just what's needed to reduce its massive debt and become profitable again.

The measure takes steps to help the agency avert bankruptcy as early as this fall, through a cash infusion of \$11 billion to pay off debt and reduce costs by offering retirement incentives to 100,000 employees. But the bill sidesteps decisions on postal closings, buying time for lawmakers who

would rather avoid the wrath of voters in an election year.

The Senate planned to vote as early as Wednesday on a final bill, after considering amendments that could restrict the Postal Service from further cuts to first-class mail delivery. During debate, lawmakers agreed to hold off closing rural post offices for a year, give communities new ways to appeal, prevent any closings before the November elections but also shut five of the seven post offices on the Capitol grounds.

The final bill was expected to pass the Senate but faces an uncertain future. The House has not taken up its own version, which would create a national commission with the power to scrap no-layoff clauses in employee contracts.

"This of course kicks the can down the road," complained Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., who unsuccessfully pushed for a commission in the Senate bill. He said the current proposal failed to address longer-term fixes and delayed major decisions. "We'll be on the floor in two years addressing this issue again, because it is not a solution."

Postmaster General Patrick Donahoe also has criticized the Senate bill as a short-term answer. Noting that more people every year are switching to the Internet to send letters and pay bills, he has called the Postal Service's business model "broken." The agency has estimated that the Senate bill would only provide it enough liquidity to continue operating for two years or three years.

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OPINION

Obama's no-fault divorce

America and Afghanistan are in the middle of a lengthy break-up, but they say they want to stay friends. After 18 months of contentious negotiations, the two countries announced Sunday that a deal was close on establishing an "enduring strategic partnership." Details on the draft agreement were not forthcoming, however, in part because there are no details.

The agreement purportedly extends the U.S. training and support mission in Afghanistan for 10 years, prevents Washington from launching attacks on neighboring countries from Afghan soil, and gives Kabul veto power over U.S. attacks on terror cells inside Afghanistan. Key factors such as the amount or degree of funding for Afghanistan and the size and type of U.S. forces that may remain in the country have been kicked off to future negotiations.

The deal won't be signed until it has passed a U.S. interagency review, congressional consultation and a final appraisal by the White House. It will go through a similar review and revision process in Afghanistan. Once the slicing and dicing is over, the respective parties hope to have something left to sign at the NATO summit in May. Implementing the framework is contingent on a number of future agreements, which will be even more difficult to conduct than the framework. Most important is the status of forces agreement (SOFA) necessary for any U.S. troops to remain in-country.

The mere fact that the United States sought to commit itself to play a role in Afghanistan after the withdrawal of combat troops in 2014 was touted as a confidence builder and a warning to the Taliban. The Obama administration says that the draft agreement is "a clear indication that the United States will not abandon Afghanistan." It is nothing of the kind. It is not a treaty and will have no force of law.

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Romney vs. Obama should not go to the dogs

A presidential election is thought to be important, especially at a time when some think a wrong decision could spell massive, detrimental consequences for this country. And yet not a few want to talk about Mitt Romney transporting a dog on top of his car with an intensity that should be reserved for another subject I'd like to mention: Barack Obama once opposing a measure to save babies' lives.

You've heard the Romney tale, I suspect: how 30 years ago he took a trip with his Irish setter, Seamus, in a kennel fastened to his car top. The deed is supposed to point to gross insensitivity toward one of America's favorite pets, and Obama supporters and some goofy commentators have made a big deal of it.

Arguably, it was a mistake, but just arguably, seeing as how all testimony points to the kennel being securely attached, of a Romney-constructed windshield protecting the animal from the rush of air and of the creature loving the ride. Ann Romney, wife of the Republican presidential candidate, has said the dog would hop about eagerly before takeoff, and you know what? I don't think Ann Romney is lying.

Even if it was a mistake, it is not as if all of us don't make many of at least that magnitude. It would be one of the few Romney mistakes anyone can point to amidst all the verifiable accounts about his self-sacrifice for others and brilliant performances in varied endeavors. That's one fitting response to



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the silliness as we get to know this man. More silliness is not a fitting response, and I don't get it that some Romney defenders have pointed out that Obama ate dog meat as a child in Indonesia.

Well, yes, he did, and he was in fact a child, and we know about this because he himself wrote about it. What was he supposed to do? Reject the customs of the elders surrounding him?

What would be perfectly legitimate, however, would be to take a fresh look at a very serious position Obama adopted as a state senator in Illinois, especially because it speaks to an issue still very much with us — abortion — and illustrates an Obama tendency to shove defensible positions toward indefensible overreach.

In 2003, Obama argued against a bill protecting the lives of babies born after bungled abortion procedures. In Washington, a similar bill passed with virtual unanimity, and Obama has said he would have voted for it, but not this very different one. It was not a very different one. As virtually every press report has noted, it was practically the same.

Obama can point to an accompanying Illinois bill that

would have allowed suits on behalf of infants that were not taken care of. That bill was bad, according to the American Civil Liberties Union, because, as a representative is quoted as saying in *The New York Times*, the attempt was "to give full personhood to a fetus that is pre-viable" and thereby to put fear of negligence procedures in doctors' minds.

This is truly frightening Orwellian gobbledygook. A fetus that has been born is by definition not a fetus. It is a baby that is alive, in other words already, provably viable. What the ACLU representative is really saying is that doctors should not be obliged by threatening law to care for unhealthy babies born after abortion attempts. Obama has said much the same in other words, arguing that the primary Illinois measure might undo some of the force of *Roe v. Wade* and a woman's right to choose.

We do not have to use the word "infanticide" here, and but it is impossible to escape the word "extreme." We see the same extremism in virtually all Obama's policies — spending, energy, health care, executive power and more. It is time to pay increased attention to the evidence of his zealotry and seriously to examine Romney alternatives, instead of barking about dog kennels atop cars.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Obama's been a disaster for the U.S.

To the Editor:

Can we stand another four years of Obama? I think not. He has spent more, put us deeper in debt than any other president. How bad does it have to be? Unemployment is worse than I can ever remember. (I'm 67 years old.) Black unemployment is at an all time high. Black teenage unemployment is at an all time high. Do you think the United States is better off than it was three and a half years ago? Edie McGill needs to look up the

Democratic platform. Abortion, same-sex marriage and anti-capital punishment. Look in the Bible, what God says about the Democratic platform.

If you think the President did the right thing about stopping the drilling, not letting the Canadian pipeline go through, get ready to park your car and put it on blocks. Oil effects the price of groceries, electricity and everything you buy. This election isn't a Democratic or Republican election. It's about electing someone who knows what's best for

the United States.

We gave Obama four years. It took only two years to see the change he wanted was wrong. If you think all our problems come from former President Bush, consider this, Bush's last two years was with an overwhelming Democratic congress And Obama started with two years of an overwhelming Democratic congress? How's that working for you?

L. Thomas Munro
Lake City

Today is Thursday, April 26, the 117th day of 2012. There are 249 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:
On April 26, 1986, a major nuclear accident occurred at the Chernobyl plant in Ukraine (then part of the Soviet Union)

HIGHLIGHTS IN HISTORY

as an explosion and fire caused radioactive fallout to begin spewing into the atmosphere. At least 31 people died fighting the plant fire, but the number of their deaths resulting from the

disaster remains in dispute.

On this date:

In 1607, English colonists went ashore at present-day Cape Henry, Va., on an expedition to establish the first permanent English settlement in the Western Hemisphere.

ANOTHER
VIEW

Lady Vols coach Pat Summitt remains a winner

During her 38 years as coach for the University of Tennessee Lady Vols, Pat Summitt took her team to more wins than any other coach — man or woman — in NCAA college basketball history.

Saying it had been "a great ride," Summitt announced last Thursday that she would step down as head coach and turn over the program to her long-time assistant Holly Warlick.

Summitt will become Tennessee's new "head coach emeritus."

University officials announced she would still receive the \$1 million bonus she was due once she coached her 40th season.

She will focus on her health but will also assist with recruiting and will keep a critical eye on practices and analyze games.

In front of a crowd of about 200 fans, faculty and friends, Summitt spoke on the basketball court named for her, stressing that she knew it was time and that the team would be in "great hands" with Warlick, whom she called a great coach.

"You know, it's never a good time, but you have to find the time that you think is the right time," she said. "And that is now."

Just eight months ago, Summitt announced that she had been diagnosed with early onset dementia, Alzheimer's type.

She will turn 60 in June. She's still, by all accounts, the same person colleagues and players past and present know as an inspiration, have been proud to have worked alongside and played for — the same strong and still smiling woman who took the team to eight national titles.

Even officials and others who have been on the receiving end of her icy stare acknowledge that her dedication to her team and the game was — and still is — legendary.

Knowing her retirement was inevitable didn't make it any easier.

Not for her or the young women who learned as much about being successful in life as playing a winning game under her direction.

And despite her efforts to "show people that it was possible to function, even in the face of dementia and Alzheimer's," the decision to step aside was hers alone, and typical, thinking first of what's best the program that she built over the years.

Summitt is being awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom, the nation's highest civilian honor, later this year for her basketball genius and, said President Barack Obama, for her willingness to "speak so openly and courageously about her battle with Alzheimer's."

But Summitt is more than a winning coach, more than a role model for athletes everywhere, no matter the sport, whatever their gender. Pat Summitt has a darned good record as a human being. And her courage in the face of a devastating illness has made her even more impressive.

Summitt said it was "a privilege" to have coached the Lady Vols. Her players might say that the privilege was all theirs.

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April 26

Military officers meeting

The Suwannee River Valley Chapter of the Military Officers' Association of America (MOAA) will hold its monthly meeting at the Lake City Elks' Lodge, 359 NE Hernando St., on Thursday, April 26 at 6:30 p.m. If you are a retired or former military officer, please join us at our next meeting. For information or to RSVP call Susan Palmer at 697-6828.

Kindergarten orientation

Kindergarten orientation for students and parents will be held at each elementary school on Thursday, April 26 at 6:30 p.m. Parents or guardians of children who will be five years of age on or before September 1 should attend the meeting at the school for which their child is zoned. For more information call the school district office at (386) 755-8000.

Landlords meeting

There will be a landlords meeting April 26 at 6 p.m. in the Shands LakeShore Regional Medical Center conference room. Representative Elizabeth Porter will speak on the bills presented in Tallahassee and the outcome. Rental owners and managers are welcome. Call 755-0110 for information.

Grief class

Hospice of the Nature Coast presents "Five Stages



LAURA HAMPSON/Lake City Reporter

\$15,000 grant for schools

Fort White High School's Foundations of Energy academy was awarded a \$15,000 grant from Progress Energy at the Tuesday night Columbia County School Board meeting. The grant will be used to buy electrical circuit trainers for hands-on experience in the classroom, said Wayne Oelfke, energy academy instructor. Pictured are Steve Nelson, school board chairman; Bobby Pickels, Progress Energy community relations manager; Keith Hatcher, Fort White High School principal; Oelfke; Marcus Bell, energy academy instructor; and Michael Millikin, superintendent.

of Grief" on Thursday, April 26 at 2:30 p.m. at the Wings Community Education Center in the Lake City Plaza. For further information, or to reserve your seat, contact Vickie at 755-7714.

April 27

Tree giveaway

The Lake City/Columbia County Beautification Committee will hold the annual National Arbor Day Tree Giveaway at Memorial Stadium on Friday, April 27 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Selections include American elm, dahoon holly, black walnut, live oak, southern magnolia, dogwood, and maple. A supervisor of elections

official will be available to register voters and answer questions. Proper proof of residency must be presented to receive two free trees.

Fish dinner

Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, 5056 SW State Road 47 in Lake City, prepares fish dinners every Friday from 3:30 to 6:30 p.m. The dinner is \$6 for two filets, corn, baked beans, hush puppies, cole slaw and tartar sauce. Take out or eat in.

Order of the Purple Heart meeting

Chapter 772 of the Military Order of the Purple Heart will be hold-

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OBITUARIES

Jo Ann Virginia Faust

JoAnn Virginia Faust, 77, of Lake City, passed away on April 25, 2012 at Lake City Medical Center. Born December 9, 1934 in Long Island, NY., to the late Arthur and Jean Pippin, she was a loving wife, mother, grandmother and great grandmother who enjoyed working in the garden, quilting by hand, and devoting time with her family. But she was also a very caring person who took time from her life by giving to others by volunteering at Haven Hospice Thrift Store. Survivors include her husband of 56 years, Ronald H. Faust of Lake City, two sons; Phillip Faust (Gail Lovejoy) of Lake City, Paul Faust (Lorraine Gail) of New Bern, NC, five grandchildren; James Shaffer Faust (Amanda), Jennifer Faust (Sam), Jeanette Faust, Dakota Faust, Madison Faust, and one great grandchild; Ethan Faust. Memorial services will be conducted at 5:00 pm on Saturday, April 28, 2012 in the chapel of Gateway-Forest Lawn Funeral Home. A gathering time with friends will be held one hour prior to services (4:00 pm-5:00 pm) at the funeral home. Interment in Forest Lawn Memorial Gardens will be at a later date. Arrangements are under the direction of GATEWAY-FOREST LAWN FUNERAL HOME, (386) 752-1954, 3596 S US Hwy 441, Lake City, Fl. Please leave words of love & comfort for the family at www.gatewayforestlawn.com

Peronearl "Winston" Robert Jackson

Peronearl "Winston" Robert Jackson Peronearl "Winston" Robert Jackson passed away Saturday, April 21, 2012 in Jacksonville, Florida. Winston, 47, was born January 30, 1965, the second child of Elder Robert Jackson, III (Gloria) and Verdon Kaleo Ashly-Simpkins. The most humble man God created, Winston loved his family. His personality and calming spirit will be abundantly missed by many. Funeral services for Peronearl "Winston" Jackson will be 11:00 A.M. Saturday, April 28, 2012 at Faith Temple Fellowship Ministry, 2133 Wishart Street, Jacksonville, Florida 32207. Pastor Gregory Davis. The family will receive friends from 6:00 - 8:00 P.M. Friday, April 27, 2012 at Faith Temple Fellowship Ministry.

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Catherine Dow Williams Wilcox

Ms. Catherine Dow Williams Wilcox, 75, a lifelong resident of Lake City, Florida passed away Monday evening, April 23, 2012 at her home surrounded by her family. She was the daughter of the late Harry & Jewell (Milligan) Dow. She was a kind and loving mother, grandmother, and great grandmother that enjoyed reading, working in the garden, swimming and everything outdoors. Her greatest love though, was to devote as much of her time to her family as she could, especially her grandchildren. She was a faithful member of Christ Central Ministries. She was preceded in death by her parents, one brother and one great grandchild. Survivors include her sons, Tom-

mie Walford Williams (Edith) and Toney Michael Williams (Diane); daughter, Peggie Jane Williams (David); brother, Billy Dow (Marcia); sister, Voncile "Vonnie" Dow (Ronnie); 9 grandchildren; 17 great grandchildren and several other family & friends also survive. Funeral services will be conducted at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, April 28, 2012 in the chapel of Gateway-Forest Lawn Funeral Home with Pastor Lonnie Johns and Pastor Bob Desanter officiating. Visitation with the family will be Friday evening, April 27, 2012 from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m., at the funeral home. Interment will be in Forest Lawn Memorial Gardens. GATEWAY-FOREST LAWN FUNERAL HOME, 3596 South U.S. Hwy 441, Lake City, Florida, 32025, (386) 752-1954. Please leave words of love and encouragement for the family at www.gatewayforestlawn.com

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Let me explain...

For the better part of my life; I purposely avoided a lot of foods. Especially ones with even a tiny bit of seasoning. Because if I didn't, I'd experience a burning sensation through my esophagus—like somebody poured hot lead or battery acid down my throat. Add to that, those disgusting "mini-throw ups" and I was in "indigestion hell".

"I was beside myself. What was I gonna do? Keep taking the pills, or suffer with problems that could ultimately be my demise".

Doctors put me on all sorts of antacid remedies. But nothing worked. Or if they did, it would only be for a brief period. And then boom! My nightmare would return.

Sometimes, I felt like I was dying. The pain was unbearable and nothing could make it stop.

But then my wife, who occasionally suffered with the same problem; gave me one of her prescription acid blockers. It was a miracle. I felt like I could live again. Because before that, I was just miserable. I wanted to kill myself. But thankfully, it worked, and worked well.

I felt great, until about one year ago; when I read an FDA warning that scared the heck out of me. It went something like this...

FDA WARNING! Using proton pump inhibitors (PPIs) on a long term basis, increases your risk of hip, bone and spinal fractures.

That's a particular concern to me, since many acid blockers are PPI's. I've gone through two back surgeries and bilateral hip replacements. I had to ask myself, could PPI's have been responsible for my medical woes? After all...

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I was "between a rock and a hard place". Stop using the PPIs and I'm a "dead man in the water". It would be unbearable. I wouldn't be able to eat anything. I'd have to go on a water diet.

But that FDA warning was scary. I knew I had to stop or else risk developing spinal stenosis. My mother had that. And I watched her die a horrible death. Her spine just fractured. It was the worst death. She didn't deserve that. And neither do I.



63 year old Ralph Burns enjoying a spicy-hot portion of Lobster Fra Diavolo. Just 15 minutes after taking AloeCure[®]

"Every time I ate something that didn't agree with me... I'd get what I called 'Rot Gut' — like my stomach was rotting out!"

I had to quit. So I stopped taking PPI's for a day or so. But my indigestion was worse than ever. I would rather take the chance of a spinal fracture than to live like that again. I tried everything. Even started using home remedies like Apple cider vinegar. But it just felt like I was pouring even more acid down my throat.

Then one day at dinner, a friend of mine said "why don't you try an aloe drink?" I said "aloe drink"? Jeez. That doesn't sound good at all!" The next day he brought me a case of something called **AloeCure[®]**. I was skeptical, but I was desperate! So instead of being an ingrate I decided to try it.

I was shocked! AloeCure[®] tasted pretty good too. It has a pleasant grape flavor that I actually enjoy drinking. I decided to experiment. I stopped taking the PPI's altogether and replaced it with a daily diet of **AloeCure[®]**. Then something remarkable happened... NOTHING! Not even the slightest hint of indigestion.

And here's the best part. The next day we had Italian food — my worst enemy. But for the first time in 40 years I didn't get indigestion without relying on prescription or OTC pills and tablets. Finally, I just didn't need them anymore!

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But don't believe me. You have to try this stuff for yourself. I recommend **AloeCure[®]** to anyone who suffers with the same problem I did. It gives you immediate relief. You'll be grateful you did. I sure am. It's the best thing that's happened to me in a long, long time.

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ing its annual election of officers on April 27 in the VA Hospital Administrator's Conference Room at 3:30 p.m. following the Chapter's sponsored Bingo for veterans in the hospital Auditorium from 2 till 3 p.m. All Chapter members and holders of the Purple Heart Medal are requested to attend. For information call 386-8671687.

Hospice volunteer training

Hospice of the Nature Coast is providing orientation training for individuals who are interested in learning more about Hospice and Hospice volunteer opportunities. The volunteer training will be Friday, April 27 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Hospice of the Nature Coast offices, 857 SW Main Blvd. suite 125 in the Lake City Plaza. The class provides an overview of the Hospice philosophy, history and services. Join us from 10 a.m. to noon to qualify for non-patient support volunteer opportunities. To qualify to work with patients, stay on from noon to 4 p.m. for patient support training (lunch provided). For orientation reservations, contact Hospice of the Nature Coast Volunteer Manager Rebecca McCuller at 386.755.7714.

April 28

Free concert

The Jacksonville Masterworks Chorale will be in concert at First Presbyterian Church of Lake City on Saturday, April 28 at 7:30 p.m. Admission is free and open to the public. A reception will follow. For more information call Bill Poplin at 365-4932.

Diva Day

Altrusa and The Health Center present the Third Annual Diva Day on Saturday, April 28 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Columbia County Fairgrounds Banquet Hall. Stroll through vendor booths, shop and get pampered. The \$5 admission includes a chance to win Silver Suwannee Jam tickets or a Mariana bracelet. Tickets are available at the Lake City Reporter, the Lake City-Columbia County Chamber of Commerce and at the door. For information call 961-3217.

Edible plant hike

Big Shoals State Park will present the fourth annual edible plant hike on Saturday, April 28 hosted by Nursery Manager Michael Adler from Gainesville. The hike will offer visitors a chance to learn about edible plant life that is hidden right under their noses. Participants will discover plant identification by using all five of their

senses. This program will take place on the paved Woodpecker Trail then continue into the wooded areas and fields of Big Shoals. It is highly recommended participants bring plenty of water, bug spray and an appetite. There will be Junior Ranger handouts along with edible plant identification sheets. Admission to the one day event is \$2 a person or \$4 per carload of up to eight people. All participants are welcome to stay after the hike and enjoy their day at Big Shoals State Park. Use the Little Shoals entrance and meet at the picnic pavilion. For more information, call 386-867-1639.

Relay for Life

The 2012 Relay for Life is April 27 at Columbia High School from 6 p.m. to April 28 at noon. The walk is an opportunity to not only honor cancer survivors, but also to raise funds and awareness to help save lives. For more information visit www.relayforlife.org.

Writing workshop

Friends of the Library will host a free writing workshop Saturday, April 28 at 2 p.m. in the Main Library. Write. Write It Now!: Tips, Tricks, and Techniques for the Writing Life : A Writing Workshop by Sudy Cauthen of the North Florida Center for Documentary Studies, Inc. will cover incorporating writing into our busy lives, how to keep the words coming, exercises to sharpen skills of observation, openings and closings. We will come away excited about language. Pre-registration is required for this workshop, call 758-1018.

Cancer benefit

There will be a benefit dinner and gospel sing for Shelby Witt Baxter Saturday, April 28 from 5 to 8 p.m. at Hopeful Baptist Church. Shelby, 20, was diagnosed with stage three Hodgkin's Lymphoma this year. Tickets are \$10 with proceeds going to Shelby's medical expenses.

April 29

Women's day program

Bread of Life Women's Ministry, 898 SW Deputy Jeff Davis Lane, cordially invites you to our Annual Women's Day Program on April 29th at 3 p.m. "Women on the move, rising towards excel-

lence" will feature keynote speaker Pamela D. Johnson, Alpha & Omega Restoration Outreach Ministry in Jasper. For information call 752-8144.

Awakening conference

Southside Baptist Church, 388 SE Baya Drive, will have the Awakening Conference Revival with Evangelist Scott Smith from April 29 to May 2 at 7 p.m. There will be powerful preaching, anointed singing. Tuesday night will offer pizza and games after the service for middle and high schoolers. Wednesday night there will be a fish fry at 5 p.m. Nursery will be provided for children under 4 years old.

Youth service

Miracle Tabernacle Church invites all community youth and youth ministries to come share with us in our 5th Sunday Youth Service on Sunday, April 29 at 11 a.m. Our guest speaker is the dynamic Sis. Alycia LaFavor of Watson Temple COGIC. Come in your jeans and favorite t-shirt to have an awesome time in the service. Call 386.365.5484 for more information or transportation.

Church homecoming

We would like to invite you to our annual homecoming at Fellowship Baptist Church, 17077 25th Rd. in Lake City, April 29 at 11 a.m. We will be using this as a time also to meet and greet our new Pastor Ronnie Murrill. Covered dish dinner will follow.

Worship night

Come join the Branford, Evangel, Lake City, North Lake and Wellborn Church of God, 3330 US Highway 90, April 29 at 6 p.m. for a night of worshipping and fellowship. Special singing by Wellborn Praise Team and Evangel Church. Rev. Tim Staier, pastor of Elevate Life Church of Jacksonville will be a special speaker.

Women society anniversary

Union AME Church will be observing their Women Missionary Society Anniversary on Sunday, April 29 at 3 p.m. The speaker will be first lady Vanessa DeSue. Refreshments will be served. For information call 758-9257.

Surgical robotic arm system only one of its kind in region

From staff reports

Shands Lake Shore Regional Medical Center is offering MAKOpasty partial knee resurfacing, a minimally invasive treatment option for adults living with early to mid-stage osteoarthritis that has not yet progressed to all three compartments of the knee. MAKOpasty is less invasive than traditional total knee surgery and is performed using RIO, a highly advanced, surgeon controlled robotic arm system. Shands Lake Shore is the only hospital to acquire this technology in Alachua, Bradford, Columbia and Suwannee counties.

MAKOpasty potentially offers the following benefits as compared to total knee surgery:

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"MAKOpasty allows us to treat patients with knee osteoarthritis at earlier stages and with greater precision. Because it is less invasive and preserves more of the patient's natural knee, the goal is for patients to have relief from their pain, gain back their knee motion, and return to their daily activities," said Jack Cohen, D.O., orthopaedic surgeon at Shands Lake Shore.

Through its innovative use of technology, MAKOpasty takes partial knee resurfacing to a new level of precision.

The RIO system enables the surgeon to complete a patient specific pre-surgical plan that details the technique for bone preparation and customized implant positioning using a CT scan of the patient's own knee. During the procedure, the system creates a three-

dimensional, virtual view of the patient's bone surface and correlates the image to the pre-programmed surgical plan. As the surgeon uses the robotic arm, its tactile, auditory and visual feedback limits the bone preparation to the diseased areas and provides for real time adjustments and more optimal implant positioning and placement for each individual patient.

"Precision is key in planning and performing partial knee surgeries," Cohen said. "For a good outcome you need to align and position the implants just right. Precision in surgery, and in the pre-operative planning process, is what RIO can deliver, for each individual patient."

The opportunity for early intervention is important as osteoarthritis is the most common form of arthritis and a leading cause of disability worldwide, according to the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons.

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Struggle over how to evaluate special ed teachers

By **CHRISTINE ARMARIO**
Associated Press

MIAMI — Since the first day of class this school year, Bev Campbell has been teaching her students how to say their names.

Some of the children in her class have autism. Others have Down syndrome or other disabilities. "People don't understand where they've come from," she says. "It's slow."

Just one has learned how to say his name. Still, the South Florida teacher sees signs of growth in the nine kindergarten to second-grade students in her class.

Those little steps are what teachers like Campbell consider major leaps for students with the most significant physical and cognitive disabilities — and what are the most challenging to capture on a test. Yet that will be a significant part of the way school districts in Florida and in many other states will evaluate teachers.

Spurred by the U.S. Department of Education's \$4.35 billion Race to the Top grant competition, more than a dozen states have passed laws to reform how teachers are evaluated and include student growth as



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Teacher Bev Campbell, left, displays letters of the alphabet in her special education class at Amelia Earhart Elementary School in Hialeah. More than a dozen states have passed laws to reform how teachers are evaluated and include student growth as a component. For special education students measuring that growth is complicated.

a component. For most students, that growth will be measured on standardized tests. But for special education students that is considerably more complicated.

"I don't know how they would ever do that for my students," said Campbell, who has 28 years of experience teaching special ed.

In its guidance to states applying for the funds, the

Department of Education set as a priority increasing the number of effective teachers in special education, language services, and hard-to-staff subjects such as science and math. Effectiveness would be determined, in part, by whether students reached "acceptable rates" of academic growth. Federal officials provided some criteria

for what should be included in teacher evaluations, but left states to decide how student growth should be measured.

The result is that in Illinois, Florida, New York and other states, education leaders and teachers unions are trying to create evaluations that take into account factors such as a student's prior performance, socio-

economic background and English language skills. Creating those measurements for general education teachers has proven challenging enough, but for special education teachers, it is even more trying, as officials try to find a way to evaluate growth that often can't be measured on a test.

"The great concern right now in many states is they're using the same criteria for the general education teachers that they're going to use for the special education teachers and there's real resistance to that," said George Giuliani, director of the special education program at Hofstra University's Graduate School and executive director of the National Association of Special Education Teachers.

In a survey by the National Comprehensive Center for Teacher Quality, 63 percent of special education teachers said they believed student achievement gains should be a component of their evaluations, but only 21 percent thought standardized test scores were an appropriate measure.

Seventy-eight percent said their state hadn't determined how to measure the

growth of students with the most profound disabilities. Complicating matters is the very limited research available on special education assessments and evaluations. That means states will have to study and modify their systems as they go along.

"It's a very complex process and it's kind of trial and error," said study co-author Lynn Holdheide, a research associate at Vanderbilt University.

In New York and Illinois, recently passed laws require districts to base a significant percentage of each teacher's evaluation on student growth. Both are still working to determine how that will be done for special education students, a category that encompasses a vast range of conditions, not all of which negatively affect academic performance. In Florida, the process has already begun, with a committee examining a broad range of conditions, from dyslexia to traumatic brain injuries, and analyzing the effect on test scores.

"The performance varied quite a bit based on disability," said Kathy Hebda, Florida's deputy education chancellor.

Appendix removal: Huge sticker shock in study

By **LINDSEY TANNER**
Associated Press

CHICAGO — What do hospitals charge to remove an appendix? The startling answer is that it could be the same as the price of a refrigerator — or a house.

It's a common, straightforward operation, so you might expect charges to be similar no matter where the surgery takes place. Yet a California study found huge disparities in patients' bills — \$1,500 to \$180,000, with an average of \$33,000.

The researchers and other experts say the results aren't unique to California and illustrate a broken system.

"There's no method to the madness," said lead author Dr. Renee Hsia, an emergency room physician and researcher at the University of California, San Francisco. "There's no system at all to determine what is a rational price for this condition or this procedure."

The disparities are partly explained by differences among patients and where they were treated. For example, some had more costly procedures, including multiple imaging scans, or longer hospital stays. A very small number were treated without surgery, though most had appendectomies. Some were sicker and needed more intensive care.

But the researchers could find no explanation for about

one-third of the cost differences.

Other developed countries have more government regulation that prevents these wild disparities. U.S. critics of that kind of system favor more market competition, yet the study illustrates that "the laws of supply and demand simply do not work well in health care," said Dr. Howard Brody, director of the Institute for the Medical Humanities at the University of Texas Medical Branch in Galveston and a frequent critic of skyrocketing medical costs.

The study was published Monday in the journal Archives of Internal Medicine.

President Barack Obama's health care overhaul, now in the hands of the U.S. Supreme Court, would have little effect on the kinds of disparities seen in the study, policy experts say.

One section of the law bars tax-exempt hospitals from charging uninsured people more than the rates insured patients end up paying because of discounts negotiated by insurance companies. The government has not said how the reductions for uninsured people would be calculated, said health care consultant Keith Hearle.

The researchers examined 2009 data that hospitals were required to submit to the state on 19,368 patients with appendicitis. To get the fairest comparisons, the researchers included only uncomplicated

cases with hospital stays of less than four days. Patients were 18 to 59 years old.

The study looked at what patients were billed, before contributions from their health insurance — if they had any. The figures don't reflect what hospitals were actually paid. Insurance companies often negotiate to pay less than what they are billed, and what patients pay depends on their health plans. Those least able to pay — the uninsured — could be socked with the full bill.

Still, even those with good health insurance may end up paying a portion of the cost, so price matters, Hsia said.

Uninsured and Medicaid patients had slightly higher bills than those with private insurance. Charges were highest at for-profit hospitals, followed by nonprofits. County hospitals, typically safety-net hospitals, had the lowest charges.

The costliest bill, totaling \$182,955, involved a woman who also had cancer. She was treated at a hospital in California's Silicon Valley. Her bill didn't show any cancer-related treatment. The smallest bill, \$1,529, involved a patient who had her appendix removed in rural Northern California. Otherwise, the cases were similar: Both patients were hospitalized for one day, had minimally invasive surgery, and had similar numbers of procedures and tests on their bills.

Young heart patient taken from hospital found safe

By **JIM SALTER**
Associated Press

ST. LOUIS — A 5-year-old boy in need of a heart transplant was found safe with his father and paternal grandmother at a motel near Chicago early Wednesday, hours after his father allegedly took him without permission from a St. Louis hospital where he was being treated. Illinois State Police said the three were found at a motel in Alsip, south of Chicago, at about 3 a.m., and that the boy, Porter Stone, appeared to be fine but was taken to a local hospital. He had only about a day's worth of medication in his portable IV when he was taken, the St. Louis hospital said.

Jeffrey Stone, 33, and his mother, Rhonda Marie Matthews, were detained, state police spokeswoman Monique Bond said. She deflected questions about their confinement to the Alsip police department, which declined immediate comment.

St. Louis prosecutors charged Jeffrey Stone and

Matthews on Wednesday with kidnapping, interfering with custody and endangering the welfare of a child. It was not immediately clear where they were being held or if Porter was still being treated at the Alsip hospital.

Jeffrey Stone, of Hercules, Calif., and the boy's mother, Tiffany Stone, are estranged, and Jeffrey Stone did not have custody rights to his son, Circuit Attorney Jennifer

Joyce said in court documents filed in St. Louis.

Porter was discharged at 3:50 p.m. Tuesday after undergoing several days of treatment at the St. Louis hospital for cardiomyopathy, a thickening of the heart muscle, officials said. He is on the hospital's heart transplant waiting list and was going to be monitored by doctors closer to his mother's home in St. Joseph, near Kansas City.

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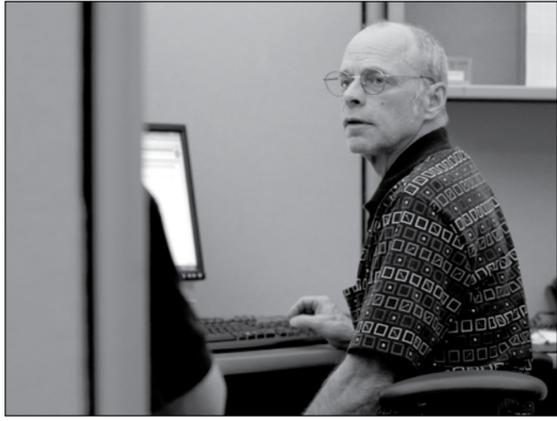
By **JENNIFER C. KERR**
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Local charities and nonprofits are looking for a few good baby boomers — well, lots of them, actually — to roll up their sleeves to help local schools, soup kitchens and others in need.

Boomers are attractive volunteers, and it's not just the sheer strength of their numbers — 77 million. They are living longer. They are more educated than previous generations. And, especially appealing: They bring well-honed skills and years of real-world work and life experience.

"What we have with the transition of the boomers across the traditional age of retirement is a great opportunity," says Dr. Erwin Tan, who heads the Senior Corps program at the Corporation for National and Community Service, a federal agency in Washington. Senior Corps helps connect older Americans to service jobs.

"The question for us is how can we as a country not afford to mobilize this huge source of human capital to meet the vital needs of our communities," said Tan, a geriatrician. He says nonprofits are retooling to attract more boomers by offering a variety of skills-based opportunities as well as more flex-



ASSOCIATED PRESS

Mike Carr assists a client at Community Action of Northeast Indiana, in Fort Wayne, Ind. Local charities and nonprofits are looking for a few good baby boomers, well lots of them actually, to roll up their sleeves to help local schools, soup kitchens, and people in need.

ibility, such as nontraditional hours or projects that don't require a trip to the office and can be completed at home.

Mike Carr of Fort Wayne, Ind., is exactly the kind of skillful boomer sought by communities.

Carr, 65, retired about a year ago as an accountant for Verizon Communications. Instead of golfing or parking himself on the couch, he volunteers with low-income people and military families, helping them prepare and file their tax returns.

Carr also volunteers as treasurer for a church group

and helps people with paperwork for food stamps and unemployment.

"There's so much in the news today that's very negative and a lot of it I can't do a whole lot about," says Carr. "But at least here in the community that I live in, there are some things that I can do to help others."

About a third of boomers, ages 48 to 66 years, tend to gravitate toward opportunities with a religious underpinning, according to CNCS figures. That was followed by volunteer opportunities in education, 22 percent; social

service, 14 percent; and hospitals, 8 percent.

The percentage of boomers volunteering these days, however, is on the decline.

Nearly 22 million baby boomers gave their time in communities across the country in 2010. That's about 28.8 percent of boomers,

down slightly from 29.9 percent in 2007 and from 33.5 percent in 2003, according to the community service corporation.

Discovery of mad cow in Calif. was stroke of luck

Associated Press

HANFORD, Calif. — A non-descript building in the heart of California's dairy country has become the focus of intense scrutiny now that mad cow disease has been discovered in a dead dairy cow.

The finding, announced Tuesday, is the first new case of the disease in the U.S. since 2006 — and the fact that the discovery was made at all was a stroke of luck. Tests are performed on only a small portion of dead animals brought to the transfer facility near Hanford.

The cow had died at one of the region's hundreds of dairies, but hadn't exhibited outward symptoms of the disease: unsteadiness, incoordination, a drastic change in behavior or low milk production, officials said. But when the animal arrived at the facility with a truckload of other dead cows on April 18, its 30-month-plus age and fresh corpse made her eligible for USDA testing.

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Section B

BRIEFS

YOUTH SOCCER CYSA sign-up for summer league

Columbia Youth Soccer Association's summer recreational league registration for ages 3-16 is 6-7 p.m. today. Fee of \$65 includes uniform.

For details, call 288-2504 or 288-4481.

T-BALL Coaches meeting at Girls Club

Lake City Recreation Department T-ball has a coaches meeting at 6:30 p.m. today at the Girls Club.

For details, call Heyward Christie at 754-3607.

ZUMBA Sweating for Safety class

Sweating for Safety with Another Way Inc. for Sexual Violence Awareness Month is a free hour of Zumba offered by instructor Sarah Sandlin. The class is 9-10 a.m. Saturday at Florida Gateway College's Med-Tech Auditorium.

For details, call Sandlin at 758-0009.

WOLVES CHEERLEADING Tryout packets in guidance

Richardson Middle School has 2012-13 cheerleading tryouts packets in the guidance office at the school. Packets are due back by 3 p.m. Friday.

For details, call cheer sponsor Shannon Hall at 623-4058.

GOLF Calloway Demo Day Saturday

The Country Club at Lake City is hosting a Calloway Demo Day from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday. Among the offerings will be a Track Man, which measures clubhead speed, launch angle and spin rate. There is no charge, but an appointment must be scheduled to use the Track Man.

For details, call Carl Ste-Marie at 752-2266.

■ From staff reports

GAMES

Today
 ■ Columbia High baseball vs. Stanton Prep in District 4-6A tournament final at Atlantic Coast High, 7 p.m.

Saturday
 ■ Fort White High's Sitia Martinez in FHSAA Class 2A state track meet at University of North Florida, 4 p.m.

Title time for Columbia's baseball team?

Tigers look to add district championship.

By **BRANDON FINLEY**
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There have been three championships in Columbia High's baseball history. Today the Tigers have a chance to add a fourth.

The Tigers will travel to Atlantic Coast High in Jacksonville to take on Stanton Prep at 7 p.m. in the championship game of the District 4-6A tournament.

The Tigers have already beaten Stanton Prep once this season in a 5-3 win on March 2.

Kellan Bailey picked up the win in the game, but after pitching against Atlantic Coast on Tuesday, he will be limited to playing first this time around. Bailey didn't give up an earned run in the first contest.

Instead of Bailey, the Tigers will turn to another pitcher — junior Alan Espenship — and it's not a

bad option for Columbia. Espenship hasn't given up an earned run this season although he missed the middle stretch with an injury.

In four starts, Espenship has registered 16 strikeouts and five walks. He's pitched 21.1 innings.

"He's only 1-0 after missing a good portion of the season, but when we've had him he's thrown very well," Columbia head coach J.T. Clark said. "He's 100 percent now and has been for a while, but we didn't want to rush him back."

Columbia will also have a full stable behind Espenship after Bailey went the complete game against the Stingrays.

"Everyone is behind him whether he goes the complete game or one inning," Clark said. "If we have to, we have one of the best pitchers in the state coming out of the bullpen with Jayce Barber. We also have Caleb Vaughn and Jason Plyn, so we're very confident with our arms."

Clark is hoping Espenship



FILE ART

Robert E. Lee High catcher Thomas Smith (16) loses the ball as Columbia High's Blaine Courson (1) approaches home plate during a game on March 29.

is the only pitcher the Tigers need and given the way the bats have worked over the last week, Columbia has a chance to do just that.

"The bats are starting to come alive at the bottom of the order," Clark said. "The good thing is hitting is contagious. Once somebody gets hot, everyone starts to get hot and if we have that happen we have the ability to explode."

Of course, Clark still wants to be able to win a 1-0 type game.

"We've got a good scouting report and feel like we

can beat them by going right at them with the inside fastball," Clark said. "We want to keep them off balance and with the defense playing like it has lately, we feel pretty hot right now."

Stanton Prep comes in with a 20-5 record, while Columbia is only 14-11, but the Tigers have played a tougher schedule.

"I feel like our strength of schedule is a little tougher than theirs," Clark said. "The good thing is we have played well in district play all year. We've had our three best practices and we're not

really celebrating making the playoffs."

Clark said that despite Stanton Prep getting hot at the right time, the Tigers won't be intimidated when it comes to achieving their goal.

"The players know we have more to accomplish," Clark said. "We didn't set our sights before the year at making the playoffs. We have more to accomplish and our goal is winning a district championship."

Columbia can do that for the fourth time with a win today.

Tracking success



JASON MATTHEW WALKER/Lake City Reporter

Fort White High's Sitia Martinez will compete in the state finals at the University of North Florida on Saturday.

Martinez returns to state in two events Saturday.

By **TIM KIRBY**
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FORT WHITE — Sitia Martinez is carrying the torch for Fort White High track all the way to state.

The junior will be making her second appearance at the FHSAA state track meet on Saturday. The Class 2A state meet is at Hodges Stadium on the campus of the University of North Florida.

Martinez qualified in the 300-meter hurdles, which she won at the Region 1-2A meet, and the 100 meters, where she placed fourth at region. Martinez made state in the same two events last year. She placed seventh in the 300 hurdles, but did not qualify for the 100-meter finals.

"My goal is to be in the top three in the hurdles and in the top eight in the 100," Martinez said on Wednesday. "My ultimate goal is to win a state championship in the hurdles."

Martinez was district champion in the 100 meters, 200 meters and 300 hurdles and placed second in the long jump. She was a repeat district champion from 2011 in the three events

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12:30 p.m.
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TNT — New York at Charlotte
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NBCSN — Playoffs, conference quarterfinals, game 7, New Jersey at Florida (joined in progress after the completion of the Ottawa-Rangers game)

BASKETBALL

NBA standings
EASTERN CONFERENCE
Atlantic Division
W L Pct GB
y-Boston 38 27 .585 —
x-New York 34 30 .531 3 1/2
x-Philadelphia 34 30 .531 3 1/2
New Jersey 22 43 .338 16
Toronto 22 43 .338 16
Southeast Division
W L Pct GB
y-Miami 46 19 .708 —
x-Atlanta 39 26 .600 7
x-Orlando 36 28 .563 9 1/2
Washington 18 46 .281 27 1/2
Charlotte 7 57 .109 38 1/2
Central Division
W L Pct GB
z-Chicago 48 16 .750 —
x-Indiana 42 23 .646 6 1/2
Milwaukee 31 33 .484 17
Detroit 24 41 .369 24 1/2
Cleveland 21 43 .328 27
WESTERN CONFERENCE
Southwest Division
W L Pct GB
z-San Antonio 48 16 .750 —
x-Memphis 40 25 .615 8 1/2
x-Dallas 36 29 .554 12 1/2
Houston 33 32 .508 15 1/2
New Orleans 21 44 .323 27 1/2
Northwest Division
W L Pct GB
y-Oklahoma City 47 18 .723 —
x-Denver 36 28 .563 10 1/2
x-Utah 35 30 .538 12
Portland 28 37 .431 19
Minnesota 26 39 .400 21
Pacific Division
W L Pct GB
y-L.A. Lakers 41 24 .631 —
x-L.A. Clippers 40 25 .615 1
Phoenix 33 32 .508 8
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Tuesday's Games
Atlanta 109, L.A. Clippers 102
Oklahoma City 118, Sacramento 110
Boston 78, Miami 66
New Orleans 83, Golden State 81
Utah 100, Phoenix 88
Today's Games
Washington at Cleveland, 7 p.m.
Chicago at Indiana, 7 p.m.
Charlotte at Orlando, 7 p.m.
Denver at Oklahoma City, 8 p.m.
Philadelphia at Milwaukee, 8 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at New York, 8 p.m.
San Antonio at Phoenix, 10:30 p.m.
Today's Games
New Jersey at Toronto, 7 p.m.
Portland at Utah, 8 p.m.
Cleveland at Chicago, 8 p.m.
New Orleans at Houston, 8 p.m.
Denver at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
Orlando at Memphis, 8 p.m.
Dallas at Atlanta, 8 p.m.
Milwaukee at Boston, 8 p.m.
New York at Charlotte, 8 p.m.
Philadelphia at Detroit, 8 p.m.
Miami at Washington, 8 p.m.
San Antonio at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.
L.A. Lakers at Sacramento, 10:30 p.m.
End regular season

Central Division
W L Pct GB
St. Louis 11 7 .611 —
Milwaukee 9 10 .474 2 1/2
Cincinnati 8 9 .471 2 1/2
Pittsburgh 7 10 .412 3 1/2
Houston 7 12 .368 4 1/2
Chicago 6 12 .333 5
West Division
W L Pct GB
Los Angeles 13 5 .722 —
Colorado 9 8 .529 3 1/2
San Francisco 9 8 .529 3 1/2
Arizona 9 9 .500 4
San Diego 5 13 .278 8

BASEBALL

AL standings
East Division
W L Pct GB
Baltimore 10 7 .588 —
New York 10 7 .588 —
Tampa Bay 10 7 .588 —
Toronto 10 7 .588 —
Boston 6 10 .375 3 1/2
Central Division
W L Pct GB
Cleveland 9 6 .600 —
Chicago 10 7 .588 —
Detroit 10 7 .588 —
Minnesota 5 13 .278 5 1/2
Kansas City 3 14 .176 7
West Division
W L Pct GB
Texas 14 4 .778 —
Oakland 9 10 .474 5 1/2
Seattle 8 10 .444 6
Los Angeles 6 11 .353 7 1/2

Tuesday's Games
Cleveland 4, Kansas City 3
Seattle 7, Detroit 4
Baltimore 2, Toronto 1
Tampa Bay 5, L.A. Angels 0
Texas 2, N.Y. Yankees 0
Boston 11, Minnesota 2
Oakland 2, Chicago White Sox 0
Wednesday's Games
Chicago White Sox at Oakland (n)
Kansas City at Cleveland (n)
Seattle at Detroit (n)
Toronto at Baltimore (n)
L.A. Angels at Tampa Bay (n)
N.Y. Yankees at Texas (n)
Boston at Minnesota (n)
Today's Games
Kansas City (Mendoza 0-2) at Cleveland (Tomlin 1-1), 12:05 p.m.
Seattle (Noesi 1-2) at Detroit (Porcello 1-1), 1:05 p.m.
L.A. Angels (Williams 1-1) at Tampa Bay (Moore 0-1), 1:10 p.m.
Toronto (Hutchison 1-0) at Baltimore (Matusz 0-3), 7:05 p.m.
Boston (Doubont 0-0) at Chicago White Sox (Humber 1-0), 8:10 p.m.
Friday's Games
Detroit at N.Y. Yankees, 7:05 p.m.
L.A. Angels at Cleveland, 7:05 p.m.
Oakland at Baltimore, 7:05 p.m.
Seattle at Toronto, 7:07 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Texas, 8:05 p.m.
Boston at Chicago White Sox, 8:10 p.m.
Kansas City at Minnesota, 8:10 p.m.

NL standings

East Division
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Washington 13 4 .765 —
Atlanta 11 7 .611 2 1/2

New York 9 8 .529 4
Philadelphia 8 10 .444 5 1/2
Miami 7 9 .438 5 1/2
Central Division
W L Pct GB
St. Louis 11 7 .611 —
Milwaukee 9 10 .474 2 1/2
Cincinnati 8 9 .471 2 1/2
Pittsburgh 7 10 .412 3 1/2
Houston 7 12 .368 4 1/2
Chicago 6 12 .333 5
West Division
W L Pct GB
Los Angeles 13 5 .722 —
Colorado 9 8 .529 3 1/2
San Francisco 9 8 .529 3 1/2
Arizona 9 9 .500 4
San Diego 5 13 .278 8

Tuesday's Games
Pittsburgh 5, Colorado 4
N.Y. Mets 2, Miami 1
Cincinnati 9, San Francisco 2
Chicago Cubs 3, St. Louis 2, 10 innings
Milwaukee 6, Houston 6
Philadelphia 8, Arizona 5
Washington 3, San Diego 1
Atlanta 4, L.A. Dodgers 3
Wednesday's Games
Colorado 2, Pittsburgh 1, 1st game
Houston 7, Milwaukee 5
St. Louis 5, Chicago Cubs 1
Philadelphia 7, Arizona 2
Pittsburgh 5, Colorado 1, 2nd game
Washington at San Diego (n)
Miami at N.Y. Mets (n)
San Francisco at Cincinnati (n)
Atlanta at L.A. Dodgers (n)
Today's Games
San Francisco (Vogelsong 0-1) at Cincinnati (Bailey 1-2), 12:35 p.m.
Miami (Nolasco 2-0) at N.Y. Mets (Niese 2-0), 1:10 p.m.
Washington (E.Jackson 1-1) at San Diego (Volquez 0-2), 10:05 p.m.
Friday's Games
Chicago Cubs at Philadelphia, 7:05 p.m.
Arizona at Miami, 7:10 p.m.
Houston at Cincinnati, 7:10 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Atlanta, 7:35 p.m.
Milwaukee at St. Louis, 8:15 p.m.
N.Y. Mets at Colorado, 8:40 p.m.
Washington at L.A. Dodgers, 10:10 p.m.
San Diego at San Francisco, 10:15 p.m.

AL standings

East Division
W L Pct GB
Baltimore 10 7 .588 —
New York 10 7 .588 —
Tampa Bay 10 7 .588 —
Toronto 10 7 .588 —
Boston 6 10 .375 3 1/2
Central Division
W L Pct GB
Cleveland 9 6 .600 —
Chicago 10 7 .588 —
Detroit 10 7 .588 —
Minnesota 5 13 .278 5 1/2
Kansas City 3 14 .176 7
West Division
W L Pct GB
Texas 14 4 .778 —
Oakland 9 10 .474 5 1/2
Seattle 8 10 .444 6
Los Angeles 6 11 .353 7 1/2

College polls

BASEBALL AMERICA
DURHAM, N.C. — The top 25 teams in the Baseball America poll with records through April 22 and previous ranking (voting by the staff of Baseball America):
Record Pvs
1. Florida State 33-7 1
2. Kentucky 35-6 3
3. Baylor 35-7 6
4. Louisiana State 32-9 4
5. Florida 31-9 5
6. Rice 30-12 7
7. South Carolina 30-11 9
8. Cal State Fullerton 26-13 12
9. Texas A&M 28-12 2
10. Oregon 27-12 8
11. Arizona 26-13 13
12. UCLA 26-10 11
13. Stanford 25-10 14
14. UCF 34-8 15
15. Purdue 31-6 16
16. North Carolina 29-12 10
17. San Diego 31-9 19
18. Mississippi 27-13 22
19. N.C. State 26-12 21
20. Texas 23-14 23
21. Arkansas 28-12 17
22. Miami 26-14 18
23. Arizona State 24-16 20
24. Sam Houston State 28-11 24
25. New Mexico State 30-11 25

FOOTBALL

NFL Draft order

First round today
1. Indianapolis
2. Washington (from St. Louis)
3. Minnesota
4. Cleveland
5. Tampa Bay
6. St. Louis (from Washington)
7. Jacksonville
8. Miami

9. Carolina
10. Buffalo
11. Kansas City
12. Seattle
13. Arizona
14. Dallas
15. Philadelphia
16. N.Y. Jets
17. Cincinnati (from Oakland)
18. San Diego
19. Chicago
20. Tennessee
21. Cincinnati
22. Cleveland (from Atlanta)
23. Detroit
24. Pittsburgh
25. Denver
26. Houston
27. New England (from New Orleans)
28. Green Bay
29. Baltimore
30. San Francisco
31. New England
32. N.Y. Giants

AUTO RACING

Race week

NASCAR SPRINT CUP CAPITAL CITY 400
Site: Richmond, Va.
Schedule: Friday, practice (Speed, noon-3:30 p.m.), qualifying (Speed, 5:30-7 p.m.); Saturday, race, 7:30 p.m. (FOX, 7-11 p.m.).
Track: Richmond International Raceway (oval, 0.75 miles).
Race distance: 300 miles, 400 laps.
Next race: Aaron's 499, May 6, Talladega Superspeedway, Talladega, Ala.
Online: http://www.nascar.com
NATIONWIDE VIRGINIA 529 COLLEGE SAVINGS 250
Site: Richmond, Va.
Schedule: Friday, practice (Speed, noon-3:30 p.m.), qualifying (Speed, 5:30-7 p.m.); Saturday, race, 7:30 p.m. (ESPN2, 7-10 p.m.).
Track: Richmond International Raceway.
Race distance: 187.5 miles, 250 laps.
Next race: Aaron's 312, May 5, Talladega Superspeedway, Talladega, Ala.
CAMPING WORLD TRUCK
Next race: N.C. Education Lottery 200, May 18, Charlotte Motor Speedway, Concord, N.C.
INDYCAR SAO PAULO INDY 300
Site: Sao Paulo.
Schedule: Friday, practice; Saturday, practice, qualifying (NBC Sports Network, 6-7 p.m.); Sunday, race, 11:30 a.m. (NBC Sports Channel, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.).
Track: Streets of Sao Paulo (street course, 2.536 miles).
Race distance: 195.2 miles, 75 laps.
Next race: Indianapolis 500, May 27, Indianapolis Motor Speedway, Indianapolis.
Online: http://www.indycar.com
NHRA FULL THROTTLE NHRA SPRING NATIONALS
Site: Baytown, Texas.
Schedule: Friday, qualifying; Saturday, qualifying (ESPN2, 6-8 p.m.); Sunday, final eliminations (ESPN2, 7-10 p.m.).
Track: Royal Purple Raceway.
Next race: NHRA Southern Nationals, May 4-6, Atlanta Dragway, Commerce, Ga.
Online: http://www.nhra.com
FORMULA ONE
Next race: Spanish Grand Prix, May 13, Catalunya Circuit, Barcelona, Spain.
Online: http://www.formula1.com
OTHER RACES
GRAND-AM ROLEX SPORTS CAR SERIES: Grand Prix of Miami, Sunday (Speed, 1-4 p.m.), Homestead Miami Speedway, Homestead. Online: http://www.grand-am.com

HOCKEY

NHL playoffs

FIRST ROUND
Wednesday
Washington at Boston (n)
Today
Ottawa at NY Rangers, 7 p.m.
New Jersey at Florida, 8:30 p.m.



JASON MATTEW WALKER/Lake City Reporter
Fort White High's Satia Martinez practiced at Fort White on Wednesday for the state finals on Saturday.

MARTINEZ: At state

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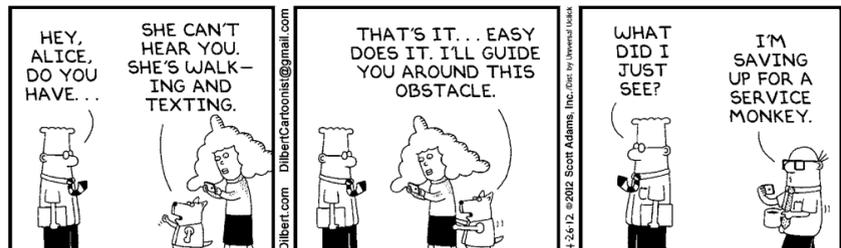
and improved in the long jump from fourth. In 2010, Martinez was district champion in the 100 meters and 300 hurdles and second in the 200 meters.
Martinez has cut a half-second off her 300 hurdles time from the 2011 region, where she placed second.
"The hurdles is my best event," said Martinez, who is not interested in the shorter 100-meter hurdles. "You have to find a rhythm and there is kind of a science to it. It is second nature now. I don't count steps (between hurdles) anymore. I go off how I feel."
Despite winning the 200 meters at district, Martinez does not put out the effort in the event for region. Likewise, the long jump is a sidelight.
"My coach is my dad and he says to focus on the 100 and hurdles," Martinez said. "Running all three at state is really difficult because you have the pre-

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THURSDAY EVENING APRIL 26, 2012

Large grid of TV listings for Thursday evening, April 26, 2012, showing channels, times, and program titles.

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FOR BETTER OR WORSE



DEAR ABBY

Dad who wants to be in kids' loop must try a little harder



Abigail Van Buren www.dearabby.com

DEAR ABBY: "Modern Dad in Roswell, Ga." (Feb. 26) was put off that invitations to his young daughters are sent to his ex-wife's home rather than to both his and the ex-wife's. He assumes the sender is "sexist" and suggests the solution for children with two households is to be sent two invitations.

As a parent who invites children to my home or to a party, I don't feel I should be responsible for their parents' communication difficulty. Often I am not even aware that a child has two households. The invitation simply goes home with the child to wherever he or she is that day.

Personally, I think "Modern Dad" is overly sensitive. He needs to realize that no one is deliberately snubbing him or making assumptions about parental roles. They are just inviting his kids to things, for which he should be grateful. Did he share his address with the inviter? Does he make his preference clear to parents when meeting them?

I believe it's presumptuous to expect someone to send two invitations to the same child. And I agree with you, Abby, that "Dad" needs to improve communication with his ex-wife. - REGULAR MOM IN TENNESSEE

mom. If "Modern Dad's" ex-wife would cooperate by sending him a list of email addresses of those most likely to issue invites, he could send out a polite message sharing his contact information with those other parents. Also, if he reaches out to help arrange carpools or organize social outings - which is usually a "mom" he'll become an added member of "the group." - NON-SEXIST MOM IN ILLINOIS

DEAR ABBY: Our solution to this problem was to use an online computer calendar for the kids' events. That way, regardless of which parent gets the invite, it can be posted on the calendar with the appropriate details. (Privacy settings can be set so the calendar is not viewable to the general public.) - FLORIDA FATHER

DEAR ABBY: My son's school sends out a parent directory that includes both my and my ex-husband's email addresses. Maybe "Dad" can suggest his daughters' school start a parental email list and make sure his information stays updated. - INVOLVED TEXAS MAMA

Write Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069.

DEAR REGULAR MOM: A majority of readers agreed that more sharing of information between the girls' mother and "Dad" will solve his problem. Other parents' comments:

DEAR ABBY: Friends, acquaintances and professionals should not have to go out of their way to cover all the bases. Given the number of divorced, remarried and otherwise situated families, more than a single contact point becomes burdensome for those trying to complete invitations.

My guess is, even though the girls stay with Dad, he doesn't have relationships with most of their friends' parents. Unless he cultivates these connections, it is improbable that he will be added to the contact list. - CHALLENGED, TOO, IN SEVERNA PARK, MD.

DEAR ABBY: I know from organizing school activities that often only one parent supplies an email address to the school, and it's usually the

HOROSCOPES

THE LAST WORD Eugenia Last

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Curb your response. You don't want to come across as unpredictable or difficult to deal with. Emotions will be hard to control, and it's important that you lead with charm, grace and good intentions if you want others to respond favorably. ★★

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Do something nice for someone you love and you will get something nice in return. Sharing, caring and participating will lead to a host of new opportunities and friendships. Aggressive pursuits will pay off and show your leadership ability. ★★★★★

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Do something that will lift your spirits or build your confidence. A personal change to your image or the way you do things will draw positive attention. Avoid emotional situations that can lead to unfounded guilt and unnecessary handouts. ★★★★★

CANCER (June 21-July 22): You'll find it hard to keep the peace. Don't let someone's lack of tact pull you into an argument. Take the high road and focus on creative projects that will enhance the way people view you and what you have to offer. ★★★★★

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Make changes that

enhance your position. You can do things your way if you can prove you have a better strategy in place. Your input will be met with opposition, but if you use a little Leo charm you will win the battle. ★★★★★

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You have the knowledge and expertise to turn any situation in your favor. Get busy making things happen instead of just thinking about it. Call in favors from people you have worked with in the past and something interesting will develop. ★★★★★

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You'll have plenty to think about and discuss when it comes to personal or professional partnerships. Iron out any problems before you move forward or spend money that can add to your stress. Love is in the stars. ★★★★★

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Invest in a plan that allows you to use your skills and knowledge strategically. Networking will lead to an opportunity to expand something you are already interested in pursuing. Don't let someone's jealousy stand between you and your goals. ★★★★★

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Put more time and effort into your home, family, and most of all, your love life. It's important that you are on the same page when it comes to personal changes that can alter your lifestyle. Compromise will satisfy everyone involved. ★★★★★

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You can learn from someone else's mistake. An investment, residential move or expansion of personal interests will play a positive role in your future plans. Expect someone from your past to have an influence on the choices you make. ★★★★★

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Discuss your plans for the future and make lifestyle changes that are conducive to greater security and stabilization. It's up to you to call the shots and make the adjustments required to reach your goals. ★★★★★

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Let experience help you make better personal choices. Avoid getting into a no-win situation that ends in a loss of friendship. Reconnect with people you miss or have lost touch with. Express your regrets and your hopes for the future. ★★★★★

CELEBRITY CIPHER

by Luis Campos

Celebrity Cipher cryptograms are created from quotations by famous people, past and present. Each letter in the cipher stands for another.

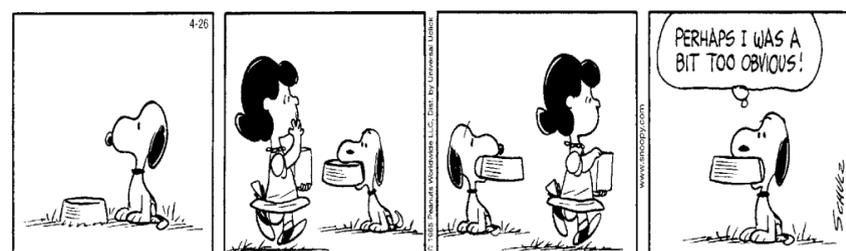
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Previous Solution: "When a man tells you that he got rich through hard work, ask him: 'Whose?' " — Don Marquis

TODAY'S CLUE: F equals M

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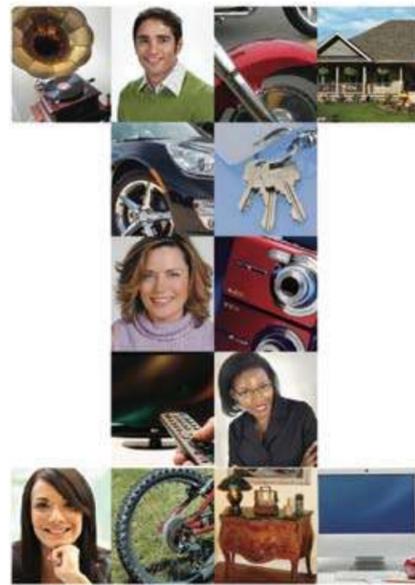
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After Luck & RGIII, it's anxious time for players

By DENNIS WASZAK Jr.
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NEW YORK — Andrew Luck knows exactly where he's heading, and so does Robert Griffin III.

For the rest of the college stars preparing for the NFL draft Thursday night, the anxiety is building. Nobody is looking forward to the green room at Radio City Music Hall.

"It kind of made me a little nervous when we were talking to the commissioner and he said, 'You'll be back there for an hour and it'll feel like you've been back there for five days,'" Southern California tackle Matt Kalil said. "I'll be sweatin' up a storm back there, and I want to have my name called and not have to wait too long."

He shouldn't have to worry much about that. Most mock drafts project Kalil to go third overall to Minnesota after Luck heads to Indianapolis and Griffin to Washington. But he knows better than to put much stock in the pre-draft chatter.

"I stopped paying attention to all of that stuff," said Kalil, attending an NFL event at a playground in Manhattan. "No one really has a clue. Unless you're the GM of a team, you don't really know who a team is going to pick, so you just let it all play out."

That's the approach for the nearly two dozen other players who'll be at Radio City and have no idea when they might walk onto the stage, shake Commissioner Roger Goodell's hand and hold up the jersey of the team with which they'll start their professional career.

"For Luck and RGIII, they know what's going on and they know where they're going to live and all that kind of stuff," Alabama safety Mark Barron said. "A



NFL football draft prospects Andrew Luck (left) of Stanford, and Robert Griffin III, of Baylor, attend a reception during their visit to the trading floor of the New York Stock Exchange on Wednesday. The college stars are preparing for the NFL draft Thursday night at Radio City Music Hall.

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lot of us other guys, we're still wondering where we're going to be living for the next however many years."

Griffin, the Heisman Trophy winner from Baylor, is comforted by already knowing he'll be a member of the Redskins. But he thinks he might actually miss the draft-day jitters. Well, at least a little bit.

"It kind of puts yourself at ease," he said, "but it does kind of rob you of that natural draftee experience where you don't know where you're going and you're in limbo."

Added South Carolina defensive end Melvin Ingram: "Yeah, I guess that would be kind of different. You won't get that adrenaline of, 'Oh, man. I hope they pick me,' when you know where you're going."

Luck will go No. 1 overall to Indianapolis after a terrific career at Stanford. Like Griffin, he is also expected to step right into a starting job as a rookie.

"I guess it's nice, but there's always competition in football and if I go out there and lay an egg and I'm not the best quarterback

out there, I hope they don't start me," Luck said. "I'm excited, though. I'm going to go out there and hopefully play, obviously, and put my best foot forward and enjoy all the guys."

Luck, the son of former NFL quarterback Oliver Luck, acknowledged that it was a "relief" to know he'll be going to the Colts — even if they're starting from scratch after they released Peyton Manning.

"Obviously, the slate has been wiped somewhat clean with some new coaches and some players who have

gone or left, but I'll try to come in there and work as hard as I can," Luck said. "If that means it's a rebuilding process, I guess you can label it as that. The guys I'm sure are working very hard and I just want to get out there and join them."

After Luck and Griffin, Texas A&M's Ryan Tannehill is expected to be the next quarterback taken — possibly eighth overall by Miami, where he'd be reunited with Mike Sherman. The new Dolphins offensive coordinator was Tannehill's head

coach the last four years.

"If I did happen to go there, it would be good," said Tannehill, who would compete with starter Matt Moore. "It would give me some familiarity with the offense, so I think it would help ease the transition a little bit."

Oklahoma State's Justin Blackmon will likely be the first wide receiver picked, possibly as high as No. 4 by Cleveland. Notre Dame's Michael Floyd, Georgia Tech's Stephen Hill and Baylor's Kendall Wright are other receivers who might go in the opening round.

"It's a great time to come into the league if you are a receiver," said Blackmon, a two-time winner of the Biletnikoff Award as college football's top receiver. "More teams are throwing the ball a lot more, it's more wide open than ever on offense."

Other players who could be top-10 picks are Ingram, Alabama running back Trent Richardson, LSU cornerback Morris Claiborne, Mississippi State defensive tackle Fletcher Cox and North Carolina defensive end Quinton Coples.

After winning the national championship in January, Alabama could be a big winner in the opening round. Crimson Tide teammates Barron, Richardson, linebackers Courtney Upshaw and Dont'a Hightower, and cornerback Dre Kirkpatrick could all hear their names called Thursday night.

"This is a great experience, especially when you have a team where we came from," Richardson said. "All these guys are going to the draft and we're all going to be in the first round. Alabama set the bar high last year when they had four come out and all four went in the first round. Hopefully we can break that record and have five."

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