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School finance chief out for good

Superintendent says district fund balance was not improving.

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Columbia County Superintendent of Schools Terry Huddleston removed the district

finance director after learning Friday the district's fund balance had fallen far short of required levels, he said.

On Monday Huddleston placed Mary Loughran on administrative leave until June 30, and Wednesday he said he does not intend to renew her contract.

The school board is expected to ratify the move at next Tuesday's

meeting.

"The district is experiencing a contingency fund less than the required 3 percent," he said. "Despite our best efforts this year, I felt like I needed someone stronger to advise the board and myself as we continue to make financial decisions that affect employees and ultimately the education of our children."

During the 2011-12 school year, the district witnessed a drop in reserves to 1.63 percent of the total general fund. The state requires at least 3 percent, Huddleston said. Despite the financial situation, he said the district would have the funds to meet all upcoming financial obligations.

The decision to place Loughran

on administrative leave was not the result of any misconduct, he said.

"The superintendent needed to have someone who could demonstrate with confidence that the budget numbers were consistent," said Mike Null, district director of purchasing.

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Connector road progressing



JASON MATTHEW WALKER/Lake City Reporter

A bulldozer and a dragline work Wednesday on NW Bascom Norris Drive where a bridge will be constructed over railroad tracks. The two-lane road is slated for completion in late January. The road will connect the northern parts of Columbia County to U.S. 90 near Walmart. The last leg of Bascom Norris Drive will run south from NW Lake Jeffery Road and connect to existing Bascom Norris Drive near Lowe's.

Inmate died of natural causes

Autopsy report says seizure was probable cause.

By **DEREK GILLIAM**
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The autopsy for the 25-year-old inmate who died at Suwannee Correctional Institution in January indicates he died from natural causes, a medical examiner's report said.



William Bevan, who died on Jan. 25 at the prison, appeared to have had both a brain surgery and a liver transplant sometime in the past, the report said.

The cause of death is listed as "probable seizure," the autopsy said.

Officials at the state Department of Corrections said reports about the incident could not be released. The DOC said prison officials received the autopsy report a few days ago and were still wrapping up their investigation into Bevan's death.

The autopsy report said there is evidence on Bevan's remains of medical intervention.

"Four adhesive electrocardiograph leads are on the chest and abdomen," the report says. "Two adhesive defibrillator pads are on the right upper chest and left lower chest."

It appears a defibrillator was used on Bevan sometime while in state custody.

Bevan committed crimes in Florida as early as 2003, and he was convicted of grand theft, two counts of burglary of an unoccupied structure and aggravated assault with a weapon in 2007, DOC records show. He was 15 in 2003 when his name first appears in DOC records and 19 when he was convicted of his first crime.

He served about a year of a three-year prison sentence in Lee County, but was arrested again in 2010 for aggravated battery intending harm in Gadsden County.

He was serving a five-year sentence for that conviction at Suwannee Correctional Institution when he died.

The Brevard County Sheriff's Office and the Gadsden County Sheriff's Office had no record of his hometown.

Redistricting challenge to be heard

State Supreme Court to test political district boundaries against constitutional rules.

By **GARY FINEOUT**
Associated Press

TALLAHASSEE — A months-long and tangled legal battle over political deal-making is headed to the Florida Supreme Court on today.

The court's decision could either favor the Republican-led Legislature — or lead to the

disclosure of potentially embarrassing information about how state legislators drew up new maps for their political districts and Congress.

This much is clear: A trio of lawsuits related to redistricting have already spilled out secrets about how those on both sides may have used partisan political consultants to draw up borders in possible violation of two 2010 constitutional amendments.

Every 10 years, lawmakers redraw legislative and congressional districts based on new population figures. But the "Fair Districts" constitutional amendments state that legislators can't draw districts intended to pro-

tect incumbents or members of a certain political party, a practice that is known as "gerrymandering."

Legislators last year adopted maps that led to the election of more Democrats to both Congress and the Legislature. But critics contend the new districts still do not reflect Florida's political divide.

Republicans hold a 26-14 advantage in the state Senate, a 76-44 edge in the state House and a 17-10 advantage in the state's congressional delegation, even though there are more

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Boy, 12, arrested in home burglary, stealing of socks

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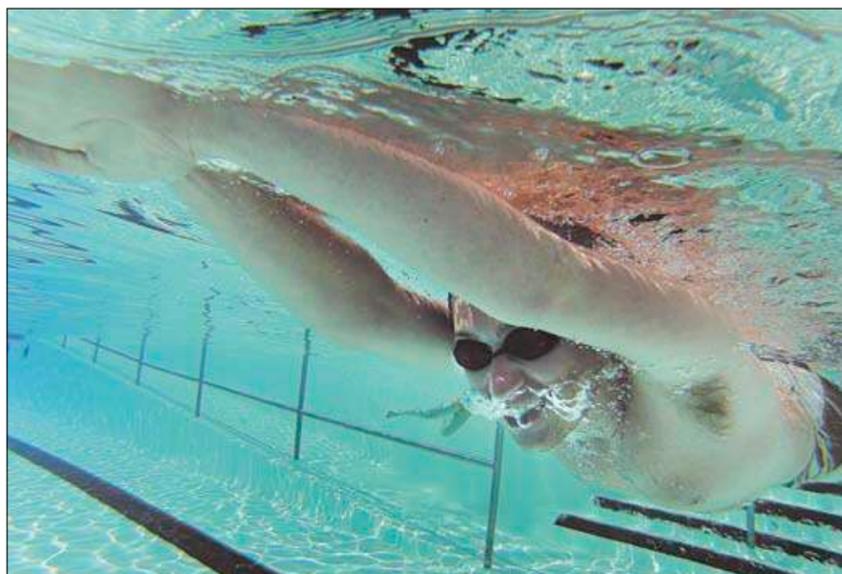
A 12-year-old Lake City boy was arrested Tuesday after he broke into a home and stole a pair of socks, a Lake City Police Department arrest report said.

The boy, whose name the Lake City Reporter has chosen not to publish due to his age, faces a felony charge of burglary of an unoccupied dwelling and a misdemeanor charge of petit theft.

The alleged burglary occurred at 461 SW Hazel Way. A neighbor called police after she saw three juvenile males near a window at the home, the report said.

The two alleged accomplices are ages 11 and 14. The neighbor told police that two of the juveniles stood watch beside the window while the boy in custody removed a screen from the window and entered the home.

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In the swim

Brandon Mansmann, 20, takes an afternoon dip in the pool at the Columbia Aquatic Complex on Wednesday.



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PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

Soap star Jeanne Cooper dies at 84

LOS ANGELES

Actress Jeanne Cooper, the enduring soap opera star who played grande dame Katherine Chancellor for nearly four decades on "The Young and the Restless," has died. She was 84.

Cooper died Wednesday morning in her sleep, her son the actor Corbin Bernsen wrote on Facebook. The family confirmed the death to CBS, according to a network spokeswoman. The cause of death was not immediately available.

Cooper will be remembered "as a daytime television legend and as a friend who will truly be missed by all of us here at the network," said Nina Tassler, president of CBS Entertainment, adding that the actress brought "indelible charm, class and talent to every episode."

Cooper joined the daytime serial six months after its March 1973 debut, staking claim to the title of longest-tenured cast member. The role earned her 11 Daytime Emmy nominations and a trophy for best actress in a drama series in 2008.

"God knows it's claimed a big part of my life," she told The Associated Press in March as CBS' "The Young and the Restless" celebrated its milestone 40th anniversary.

Cooper's professional career began with the 1953 film "The Redhead from Wyoming" starring Maureen O'Hara. Other film credits include 1968's "The Boston Strangler" with Tony Curtis and 1967's "Tony Rome" with Frank Sinatra. She had a parallel career in TV, with shows including "The Adventures of Kit Carson" in 1953 and "The Pepsi-Cola Playhouse" in 1954 and "Bracken's World" in 1969-70.

In a recurring role on "L.A. Law," she played the mother to Bernsen's character, Arnie, and received a 1987



ASSOCIATED PRESS

Jeanne Cooper poses with her award for outstanding lead actress in a drama series for her work on "The Young and the Restless" at the 35th Annual Daytime Emmy Awards in Los Angeles in 2008.

Emmy nomination for best guest actress in a drama.

Miguel Bose named person of year

MIAMI — Singer Miguel Bose has been named the 2013 Latin Recording Academy Person of the Year.

The Latin Recording Academy announced the Spanish singer's selection Wednesday. He will be honored with a tribute gala and concert in November before the Latin Grammy Awards in Las Vegas.

President and CEO of the Latin Recording Academy Gabriel Abaroa Jr. called Bose a talented performer and philanthropist who has had a profound impact.

Bose has recorded more than

30 albums and appeared in more than 35 films. His many chart-topping singles include "Anna" and "Salamandra." His albums have received certified platinum status.

Rihanna booted in Boston, cheered in NY

NEW YORK — Rihanna was booted for turning up late at a concert in Boston, but the audience in New York cheered her on even though she didn't start on time the following night.

Boston.com reported that fans at the TD Garden on Monday booed the singer for starting her concert at 10:30 p.m. EDT instead of her scheduled 9 p.m., and without opening act A\$AP Rocky. Doors had opened at 7:30 p.m.

■ Associated Press



Bose



Rihanna

Celebrity Birthdays

■ Actress Geraldine McEwan is 81.
■ Actor-writer Alan Bennett is 79.
■ Rock musician Nokie Edwards (The Ventures) is 78.
■ Actress-turned-politician Glenda Jackson is 77.
■ Producer-director James L. Brooks is 76.

■ Musician Sonny Curtis (Buddy Holly and the Crickets) is 76.
■ Singer Tommy Roe is 71.
■ Singer-musician Richie Furay (Buffalo Springfield and Poco) is 69.
■ Actress Candice Bergen is 67.
■ Pop singer Clint Holmes is 67.

Daily Scripture

"Be wise in the way you act toward outsiders; make the most of every opportunity. Let your conversation be always full of grace, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how to answer everyone."

— Colossians 4:5-6

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CORRECTION

The performing arts center at Florida Gateway College is named for Alfonso Levy. A different spelling of his name was used in Wednesday's Reporter.

AROUND FLORIDA

Boy, 3, fatally shoots himself

TAMPA — A 3-year-old boy died after shooting himself with a gun he found in his uncle's backpack and the man was charged with culpable negligence, authorities said.

The shooting happened Tuesday night in a bedroom Jadarrius Speights shared with his uncle at an apartment complex in Tampa.

The uncle, Jeffrey D. Walker, 29, purchased the gun at a Tampa-area gun shop and has a concealed weapons permit, authorities said.

Walker was booked early Wednesday. It wasn't immediately clear whether he had an attorney. His phone number was not listed and jail records didn't give a lawyer for him.

The boy found the 9 mm handgun in a backpack, said sheriff's spokeswoman Debbie Carter. The uncle was not in the room when the shooting happened, but the child's parents — Jasmine Bell, 21, and Trentin Speights, 22 — were there when the gun fired, Carter said.

Authorities said a 911 call came in at 7:10 p.m. The boy was taken to Florida Hospital Tampa, where he died.

Fleeing man run over by officer

DELAND — The Florida Highway Patrol says a man was run over by a patrol car and killed while fleeing DeLand police during a traffic stop.

The incident began early Wednesday after a Volusia County Sheriff's deputy tried to stop a vehicle for a traffic infraction. The driver fled and the deputy deactivated his emergency equipment.

Troopers say an alert was put out and two DeLand police officers spotted the car and began following it.

The Daytona Beach News-Journal reports the car stopped and the driver got out and ran. That's when the patrol car ran over him.

FHP says four women inside the car were not injured. The agency will review video from the patrol car's dashboard camera to figure out what happened.

Man, 90, trapped in car for 3 days

TRINITY — A man walking by a Pasco County home saw a hand waving to him from the window of a car parked in the garage. As he walked up the driveway, he heard a muffled voice.

"I can't get out of my car," Justyn "Jay" Ambrozia, 90, was saying. "Can you help me?"

Tim Weidman called 911.

Turns out Ambrozia had been stuck inside the car for three days, after falling during a shopping trip to a supermarket on April 30. The Tampa Bay Times reports Ambrozia fell as he rounded a corner that day. He pulled up on a shelf, which gave way and his left side hit the ground. He broke his wrist and hip.

Employees helped the man to his car and somehow he managed to drive home. He backed his car up the driveway and into the garage, but couldn't pull the door handle because of the searing pain in his swollen wrist.

His car battery died as soon as he got into the garage, so he says he couldn't honk the horn. But he used the remote to open and shut the garage, hoping to catch a neigh-

bor's attention. When that didn't happen, he settled in as three days passed. He watched a postal worker walk by, but the man didn't hear his muffled cries.

The newspaper reports Ambrozia ate the groceries he'd picked up. Ice cream cones, Fig Newtons and pound cake. But he didn't have any water.

"Jeez, it's been three days," he remembers thinking. "I hope I don't die in this car."

On Tuesday, Ambrozia was recovering in the Medical Center of Trinity.

FDA inspection triggers recall

WASHINGTON — The Food and Drug Administration warned doctors and pharmacists Wednesday to avoid drugs made by a Florida specialty pharmacy called The Compounding Shop, due to potential safety problems uncovered by health inspectors.

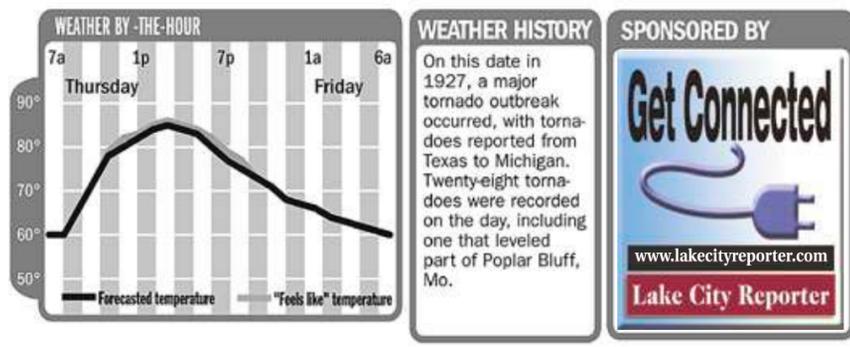
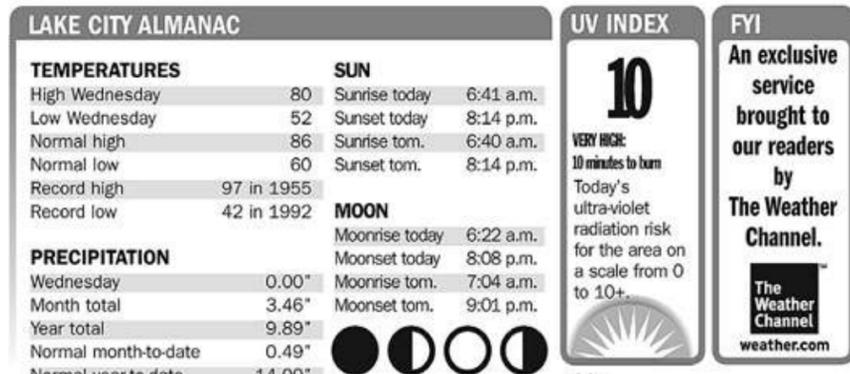
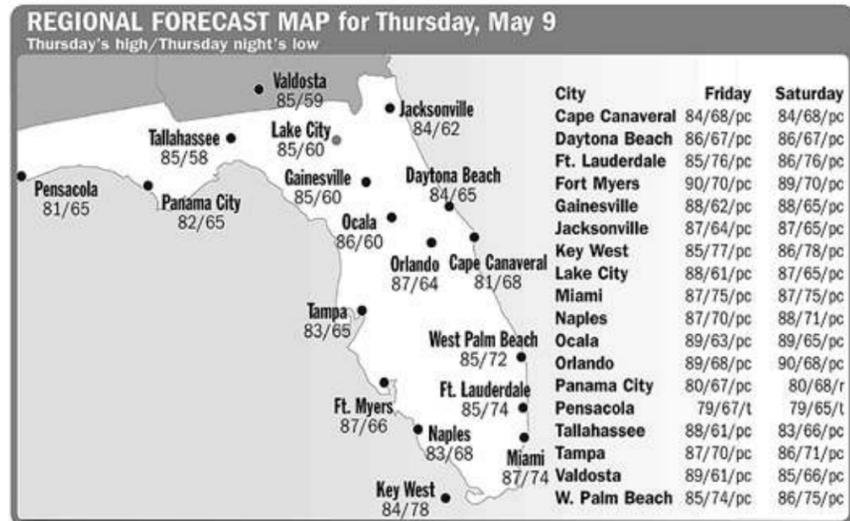
The St. Petersburg, Fla.-based pharmacy has agreed to recall all of its sterile drugs and is in the process of notifying customers, the FDA said in a statement. The agency said health care professionals should quarantine drugs from the company and not administer them to patients.

The Compounding Shop is a compounding pharmacy, which means it mixes custom formulations of drugs to meet doctors' specifications. In recent weeks the FDA has cracked down on compounding pharmacies across the country, triggering several national recalls.

The wave of inspections comes in the wake of a nationwide fungal meningitis outbreak last year tied to contaminated drugs.

■ Associated Press

THE WEATHER



Sheriff's office sets Police Week events

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National Police Week activities will take place across the country next week as law enforcement agencies honor fallen officers.

May 15-21 has been designated National Police Week by President Barack Obama and Congress.

On Thursday, Columbia County Sheriff Mark Hunter will be the keynote speaker at Lake City VA Medical Center as VA officials observe National Police Week. The ceremony is set to take place at noon in the VA Medical Center auditorium.

While personnel from the Columbia County Sheriff's Office will participate in National Police Week events, the agency is focusing on local fallen heroes, law enforcement officers and firefighters who have lost their lives on duty while protecting Columbia County residents, as part of the annual Fallen Heroes Memorial Service.

The CCSO is the host of the Columbia County Public Safety Memorial observance, which will take place May 21 at First Baptist Church of Lake City, near the



Hunter

Columbia County Courthouse. The memorial ceremony will begin at 6:30 p.m. The keynote speaker for the event will be Jeff Siegmeister, Third Judicial Circuit state attorney.

"Sheriff Hunter will be master of ceremonies for the memorial observance," said Sgt. Ed Seifert, sheriff office public information officer. "In addition, CCSO deputies are part of the honor guard, and the deputies will be escorting the families of the fallen sheriff's office deputies as they remember their loved ones."

Seifert said it's important to honor past and present heroes who serve the community.

"We, as a public safety family, feel it's important to honor those still serving as well as those who made the ultimate sacrifice so that we may live in a safer community," he said.

Leading up to the memorial ceremony, the sheriff's office is honoring local fallen law enforcement officers and firefighters on its Facebook page, Facebook.com/ColumbiaCountySheriffsOffice.

"We are posting the biographies of the 15 fallen enforcement officers and firefighters from Columbia County," Seifert said. "That's a great way for the public to read about these heroes and learn about the sacrifices they made for this community."

Man, 77, charged in burglary

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A 77-year-old Lake City man allegedly stole rope and extension cords from a home Tuesday, according to Lake City Police Department reports.

Thomas Pough, 77, 654 Aggie Ave., faces charges of burglary and larceny, according to the reports.

Officer Connie Hightower arrived at SE Evergreen Drive at about 10:30 a.m. after a call was made by a neighbor that a man was pushing a Winn Dixie shopping cart down the street with something inside, the report said.



Pough

Pough where he got the items inside the cart. Inside the buggy was 100 feet of black rope, 100 feet of heavy duty extension cord and four steel anchors, the report said.

Pough said a friend gave him the items. Hightower asked where his friend lived, and Pough said his friend lived on Evergreen Drive. Hightower took

Pough to the house where he said he received the items from a friend.

When officers contacted the owner of the home, Robert Guthrie, he told police he had not told Pough he could take anything from his home. Guthrie had left town Thursday and will not be back until September, the report said.

According to the reports, Guthrie said he wanted to press charges on Pough for burglary and theft.

Pough was arrested and taken to Columbia County Detention Facility in lieu of \$6,000 bond. The items were given to a friend to return to Guthrie's home.

Woman, 80, loses \$200K in scam

Associated Press

OCALA — An 80-year-old Ocala woman lost more than \$200,000 in a sweep-stake scam.

The Ocala Star-Banner reports the woman began receiving phone calls in 2012 telling her she had won thousands in a sweep-stakes. But the callers told her she had to pay "taxes" on the earning before she could receive her prize.

The woman, who request-

ed that her name not be used out of fear of being the victim of other scams, said she has received nothing in return.

"I've sent money through the bank and the post office, and I've never received one red cent," she told the Star-Banner.

Marion County Sheriff's Det. T. J. Watts noted in a report that the woman sent an \$88,000 check to Honduras, \$20,000 to Panama City and varying amounts to individuals in

Jamaica.

The woman was reluctant to come forward at first because her children were upset with her for falling victim to the scam.

But Marion Sheriff's Capt. Jimmy Pogue says senior citizens are a target for this type of crime because many have accumulated a "nest egg" for retirement. They're often embarrassed to come forward when they finally realize they've fallen for a scam, he said.

DISTRICT: Finance director out

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Attempts to reach Loughran for comment were unsuccessful.

School district staff are working to hire an accountant to transition the district through the remainder of the fiscal year and finalize the books.

Null said the decline in the district's financial situation didn't occur overnight but was the result of a combination of decreasing revenues and increased recurring expenses over the years. As revenues decreased, the employee cost to the school district didn't go down proportionally, he said.

"At some point, it's going to catch up to you," Huddleston said.

The school district receives federal funds based on the number of

students registered to attend public school in the county, and enrollment rates are down. Coupled with higher diesel costs, increased health insurance costs, decreased property values and increased energy costs, the reduced revenue can create the perfect recipe for the fund balance to slip lower than required if not properly monitored, the superintendent said.

"When you're down to counting pennies, every move we make is critical," Null said.

Currently the county school system budgets 87 percent of its funds for salaries and benefits.

In a healthy district, salaries and benefits would be at 80 percent, with 15 percent for utilities and 5 percent in reserve, Huddleston said.

To balance the scales, he said, the district has not filled any open positions since December.

Had the school board decided to immediately reduce salary outlays to 80 percent, it would have meant eliminating 98 of the district's 1,400 positions.

"You couldn't cut 98 positions," Huddleston said. "It would fall apart."

Instead, the board crafted a financial recovery plan that includes energy reduction measures, eliminating vacated positions and recoding several positions in the general fund.

Huddleston expected the plan, submitted to the state Department of Education in January, to take approximately two years to fix the deficit in the fund balance.

IEDs found after man loses fingers in blast

Associated Press

TAMPA — A Tampa man was arrested after authorities said Wednesday they found four homemade explosive devices in his home.

A gas station employee called police Tuesday night, saying a man had injured his hands in a fireworks accident in the parking lot in. James Lee Minyard, 41,

blew off the tips of his left middle finger and ring finger in the accident. He was taken to a hospital, where he underwent surgery, according to Tampa Police.

While searching the scene, police found two homemade explosive devices. Police, FBI and other federal agents searched Minyard's home and found a makeshift laboratory with four additional explosive devices, authorities said in a statement.

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ANOTHER VIEW

Sound ethics reform

Gov. Rick Scott's pen might need a refill after last week. The governor's been signing bills into law at a fast pace. However, none were more import than ... when he put his "John Hancock" on a bill to rein in lawmakers and how they conduct their business. We thank him for his role in improving state government by trying to rid the Capitol of corruption. Ethics reform had been a priority of state Sen. Don Gaetz, the Senate president, and we congratulate him for getting his colleagues in both chambers to agree to the improvements. We have followed the reform bills through committees and along the way urged lawmakers to better police themselves. The legislation was closely watched by those who want to see all levels of government more transparent and public officials do the people's business rather than use an office for personal enrichment or monkey business. Among those was Integrity Florida, the independent government watchdog group formed this year.

"Governor Scott delivered on his commitment to ethics and integrity in government to strengthen the public trust," Dan Krassner, Integrity Florida's executive director said in an email after Scott signed the bill. "Passing stronger ethics laws is a good way to improve Florida's reputation and our state's ability to attract jobs."

Krassner pointed out that a key to the legislation is better enforcement and investigation of public officials. Before the new law, citizens had to file ethics complaints and do much of the legwork, including providing evidence of malfeasance. Many lack the know-how on where to start the ball rolling. Besides, asking for information can be intimidating to laymen. Now, the Ethics Commission can initiate investigations based on referrals from the governor, the Department of Law Enforcement or the state and U.S. attorneys. Bringing trained investigators with a knowledge of the law will not only help with complaints but likely speed the process.

"The lead ethics enforcement agency will finally gain new tools to address public corruption in all aspects of government," Kassner said. "Floridians will have easier access to financial disclosure reports from our officials so we can hold them accountable for potential conflicts of interest."

"It is encouraging that our state leaders have passed such comprehensive improvements to Florida's ethics laws."

The League of Women Voters of Florida also issued the following statement:

"After 37 years of waiting, Florida's citizens will finally see improved ethics standards, including increased transparency of financial disclosures and a stronger Ethics Commission. Florida ranks as one of the nation's worst in terms of corruption by elected officials, and the governor was right on point to approve this legislation."

When Gaetz began his two-year term in office as president of the Senate, he had hopes his sensible, reasoned leadership would be effective. Getting ethics reform passed showed he understands the role of lawmakers.

■ Pensacola News Journal



Graduates, heed Jefferson, not Obama

Thomas Jefferson said to keep a close eye on government and others chimed in that the price of liberty is eternal vigilance. Phooey, says President Barack Obama. He recently told graduating college students in Columbus, Ohio, to ignore those thus intervening in their snooze time.



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"Unfortunately," he said in a commencement address at Ohio State University, "you've grown up hearing voices that incessantly warn of government as nothing more than some separate, sinister entity that's at the root of all our problems," and maybe he's right. Maybe some of those students did study the founders who told us government is necessary - but watch out.

"Some of these same voices also do their best to gum up the works," Obama said. "They'll warn that tyranny is always lurking just around the corner. You should reject these voices because what they suggest is that our brave and creative and unique experiment in self-rule is somehow just a sham with which we can't be trusted."

Jefferson, who helped instigate this brave, creative, unique experiment, remained sufficiently wary of what could lurk around the corner to notice that our second president, John Adams, had betrayed the First Amendment with assaults on a free press. Jefferson ran against him and became our third president, helping to curb an egregious excess that was hardly this republic's last.

Today, an equally clear betrayal of a Constitution that aims to limit government is the deployment of 165,000 pages of regulations as a way to keep Americans from making their own decisions.

Some of these rules obviously do some good, even as others shrink liberty, tie it up and sit on it. Not a few of them stifle our economy and others threaten ordinary citizens

with prison for performing such seemingly legal acts as fixing clogged toilets in a home for retired military employees. As reported by The Wall Street Journal, an engineer performing this good deed ran afoul of an environmental rule through a perfectly innocent act.

He now has a criminal record. A bipartisan congressional task force is addressing this business of criminalizing so much so stupidly and, I might say, tyrannically, but don't get excited about the possibilities of Washington otherwise retreating from its regulatory binges.

The Obama administration took an awful record from the Bush administration and made it worse. It added to the economic cost of regulations by more in one year - 2012 - than happened in the combined first terms of both George W. Bush and Bill Clinton, according to a report by the George Washington University Regulatory Studies Center.

This administration's regulatory overkill is coming our way from an Environmental Protection Agency that itself poses threats to our future, new consumer rules that make our market less free and Wall Street regulations that some top critics think do nothing to improve anything and do much to make things worse.

And by the way, here comes more Obamacare.

We're talking about gobs of new taxes, scary new unaffordable

budget costs, higher insurance premiums, health care perplexities of all kinds and so many unintended consequences surrounding us that defense may be impossible.

Your president - who did ask the Ohio State students to involve themselves in the governing process - calls this self-rule, but understand that no member of Congress probably had more than the vaguest understanding of a 2,000-page measure that is being translated into many thousands more pages of regulations by essentially unaccountable agencies. And understand, too, that Obama doesn't really care about self-rule, anyway. His thing is Obama-rule.

After all, this administration of his simply rewrote a Bush-era education law and stopped deportation of young illegal immigrants without required authorization from another branch of government known as Congress.

It has also gummed up the economy through spendthrift policies, delivering the worst recovery from a recession since World War II. Growth is a trickle of what it should be, jobs are in hiding, we now have the highest poverty rates in half a century and median income is down 5.6 percent from the beginning of the recovery in June 2009.

Was enactment of the pork-ridden, project-delayed, silliness-inundated stimulus tyranny? Maybe not, but it's a vivid illustration of how Obama and his cronies have endlessly overreached through hubristic federal government that someday really, truly ought to give prudence a chance.

Rescue, my friends, resides in the vigilance Obama fears.

■ Jay Ambrose, formerly Washington director of editorial policy for Scripps Howard newspapers and the editor of dailies in El Paso, Texas, and Denver, is a columnist living in Colorado.

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On immigration, split widens

The current U.S. Congress is unique in having three political parties: one Democratic and two Republican.

GOP leaders have had limited success in keeping the deep divisions in their congressional ranks out of the public eye; they have had none at all in concealing the party's increasingly acrimonious rift over immigration reform.

The deep and widening divide features dueling think tanks, pit party heavyweights against each other, jeopardizes the party's chance of reversing its slide among increasingly influential Hispanic voters, and tarnishes the presidential prospects of some of its rising young stars.

The bipartisan Senate Gang of Eight this week is to start putting the finishing touches on a long-

overdue immigration bill, with its most controversial provision being an offer of an eventual path to citizenship to the estimated 11 million illegal immigrants living in the country.

On the eve of Senate committee consideration, the conservative think tank Heritage Foundation ... issued a report saying that the proposed immigration bill would cost the taxpayers a net \$6.3 trillion over the next 50 years.

The report is said to be deeply flawed - predicting the future 50 years from now is suspect in itself - and Haley Barbour, a former Mississippi governor, GOP national chairman and all-around party statesman, dismissed the Heritage study as "a political document; it's not a very serious analysis."

The bill's backers have a study by their own think tank, the

American Action Forum, headed by Douglas Holtz-Eakin, the former head of the Congressional Budget Office and chief economic adviser to GOP Sen. John McCain of Arizona, also a member of the Gang of Eight.

Holtz-Eakin's study predicts that the U.S. economy and population will stagnate because of low birth rates and that immigration reform will boost annual gross domestic product by a percentage point and reduce the federal deficit by \$2.5 trillion over 10 years.

Depending on how the immigration debates plays out, when people talk about a "two-party system" they may be talking about the Republicans, with the Democrats in the role of designated national kibitzer.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

■ To submit your Community Calendar item, contact Laura Hampson at 754-0427 or by e-mail at lhampson@lakecityreporter.com.

May 9

Book donations

Wellborn Community Library, located at the Wellborn United Methodist Church at 12005 County Road 137 in Wellborn, is soliciting donations of books for its semi-annual used book sale. Books may be dropped at the library between 9 and noon on Tuesdays. To arrange free pickup, call Wellborn UMC pastor Rev. Dr. Everett L. Parker at (386) 754-8524 or (386) 688-1358. The used book and bake sale will be held during the Wellborn Blueberry Festival on June 8. Proceeds will benefit the library and the Wellborn United Methodist Church's outreach programs.

Environmental talk

Save Our Suwannee Inc. will have a free public education program at 7 p.m. at the Alachua City Library, 14913 NW 140th St. in Alachua. Alisa Coe, an attorney for Earthjustice, will give a presentation on "Stopping Slime and Protecting Florida's Waters."

DAR meeting

The Edward Rutledge Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, will hold its monthly meeting at 10:30 a.m. in at the Lifestyle Enrichment Center, 628 SE Allison Court (off Baya Avenue). Visitors are always welcomed. For more information, call 752-2903.

Event for mothers

Hospice of the Nature Coast will host "Mama-rama Blingorama," an evening of sparkle and glitter in celebration of moms from 5 to 7 p.m. at Your Hearts Desire, 1468 SW



JASON MATTHEW WALKER/Lake City Reporter

Firefighters recognized

Lake City Police Sgt. Keith Heston (right) congratulates (from right) Lake City Fire Department's Lt. Dwight Boozer, Lt. Josh Wehinger, and Firefighters Trevor Caslin and Steve Bedenbaugh during the police department's annual Awards Banquet on April 30 as they are awarded certificates for their quick response to a house fire.

Main Blvd. There is no cost to attend. There will be raffles, refreshments, door prizes and special sales, jewelry, purses, accessories and much more. Proceeds benefit Hospice of the Nature Coast. For more information, call 755-7714 or (866) 642-0962.

Woodturners Club

Bell Woodturners Club will meet in the Bell Community Center in Bell at 7 p.m. All experience levels are welcome. For additional information, contact Kent Harris at 365-7086.

Tea party meeting

The North Central Florida Tea Party will hold its monthly meeting at 7 p.m. in the Taylor Building, 128 SW Birley Ave. The topic will be "Pros & Cons of Having a Constitutional Convention." Our guest

speakers will be Loren Enns from the Liberty Research Foundation and Keith Dunn from the John Birch Society. We will have copies of the American Patriot newspaper, tickets for our gun raffle, an update on the county commissions and other information. For more information, call John at (386) 935-1705 or Sharon (386) 935-0821 or go to: www.northcentralfloridateaparty.org.

Yard sale fundraiser

A yard sale on behalf of the Gage Tanner Treatment Fund will be held today and Friday at 9009 129th Lane in Live Oak. The sale will begin at 8 a.m. both days. Funds raised will be used to defray medical expenses for Gage Tanner, a young boy suffering from brain cancer. To donate items for the sale, drop them off at

9009 129th Lane in Live Oak. Cash donations may be mailed to Gage Tanner Fund, Peoples Bank of Pearson, PO Box 839, Pearson GA 31642.

May 10

Veterans hiring fair

Florida Crown Workforce Board and Dollar General Stores will have a veterans hiring fair from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at American Legion Post 57, 2602 SW Main Blvd. Employers with job openings are encouraged to sign up at no cost. Veteran job seekers, active military, National Guard and Reserve members and military spouses are encouraged to attend. Veterans should take copies of their DD214 or other proof of service. Employers should call Denise Wynne at (386) 755-9026 to register.

Fish dinner

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OBITUARIES

Timothy G. Boyette

Timothy G. Boyette, 62, passed away April 11, 2013. He is survived by his mother, Louise; his son, Matthew; and three brothers: Ed, Rick, and Al. Tim was a state certified contractor. He owned TG Boyette Construction, American Concrete Pumping Inc., and Boyette Concrete Pumping. A memorial service will be held on Saturday, May 11 at noon in Mandi's Chapel at Camp Weed & Cerveney Conference Center in Live Oak.



Junavee E. Pearson

Junavee E. Pearson, of Lake City, Florida, passed away May 6, 2013 at her home. Mrs. Pearson, 89, was born September 11, 1923 in Live Oak, Florida to Virginia Moore. Mrs. Moore preceded her in death. She was a loyal and faithful member of Olivet Baptist Church. Husband James W. "Bobby" Pearson also precedes her in death. A loving mother, grandmother, great-grandmother and great-great-grandmother, she will be missed by her family. Cherishing memories: children, Fedorice, Orlando, FL, Richard, Tommasine and Janiece, all of Lake City, FL; grandchildren, Kevin, Tomeka, Victor, Shabazz, Tracey, Leonard; six great-grandchildren; seven great-great-grandchildren; hosts of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends. Her memory will always be carried in our hearts. Funeral services for Mrs. Junavee Pearson will be 11:00 a.m. Saturday, May 11, 2013 at Olivet Missionary Baptist Church, 901 NE Davis Street, Lake City, FL, Rev. Ronald Walters, Pastor. Family will receive friends from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. Friday, May 10, 2013 at the funeral home. Arrangements entrusted to COMBS FUNERAL HOME, 292 NE Washington Street, Lake City, FL (386) 752-4366. Marq Combs-Turner, L.F.D. "The Caring Professionals"



graduated from Coconut Creek High School in 1982. He became a member of First Baptist Church in Collier City under the leadership of Reverend J.L. Talton. He left Pompano in 1984 to reside in Lake City until he was called to rest. He became member of Trinity Faith Outreach Ministries under the leadership of Pastor C.Y. Perry in 2011. Jimmy leaves to cherish his memories two children: Jamesha Smith of Tallahassee and Elijah Smith of Fort Lauderdale; two sisters: Brenda Pope of Lake City and Donna Johnson of Fort Lauderdale; one brother: Billy Ray Smith of Fort Lauderdale; a devoted Fiance Natalie Fay Copeland and her two honorable sons: Demond and Bradley; Grandmother Nemo Ashley, of Jamaica; cousins: Tammy, Torrie, Tess, Tameka, Corinna, Treneca, Kelvin, Sylvester, Ronald and Sterling. A host of Great-nieces, nephews, uncles, auntie, other relatives and dear friends. Funeral services for the late Mr. Jimmy Dale Smith will be Saturday, May 11, 2013, at 1:00 p.m. at Cooper Funeral Home, Chapel, Lake City, FL 32055. Pastor, C.Y. Perry, officiating. Arrangements entrusted to COOPER FUNERAL HOME, 251 N.E. Washington Street, Lake City, Florida 32055 Willis O. Cooper L.F.D.

Grace Annette Willis

Grace Annette Greene Willis passed away May 4, 2013 in Haven Hospice, Lake City, Florida. She was born February 12, 1939 in Brookier, Florida to Bill Green and Ida Lilly Pearl Greene. Both preceded her in death. Mrs. Willis was educated in the Okeechobee school system. Recognizing the need for salvation, she accepted Christ at an early age. She was united in Holy Matrimony to King Solomon Willis. Six brothers preceded her in death. Cherishing memories: children, William L. Greene and Vivian Willis Monroe; grandchildren, William Green, Landon Green, Lindsey Annette Green, Stacy Willis, Mario Jennings, Cerisa Buiey (Terrell), Rasha Reed; great-grandchildren, Kierra, Taylor, Mae'Loni, Chaunci, Bronx,



Kaiser, Scottlyn, Thailen; sister, Johnnie Mae Henderson; brothers, LeRoy Greene, Larry Henderson, Lavern Henderson; aunts, Lucille Kelly, Julia Griffin, Cora Pete, Annie Mae Pete; nieces and nephews, Teresa, Leroy Jr., Jackie, Casandra, Jody, Sylvonia, Demorrious, Leasha, and Toya; godson, Bishop C. Kenneth Troupe; hosts of other nieces, nephews, relatives and friends. Funeral services for Mrs. Grace Willis will be 2:00 p.m. Saturday, May 11, 2013 at New Day Spring Missionary Baptist Church, 1321 NW Long Street, Lake City, FL. Rev. Lantz G. Mills, Pastor. The family will receive friends, Friday, May 10, 2013 from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. at the funeral home. Arrangements entrusted to COMBS FUNERAL HOME, 292 NE Washington Street, Lake City, FL (386) 752-4366. Marq Combs-Turner, L.F.D. "The Caring Professionals"

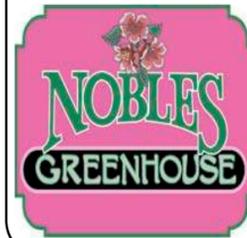
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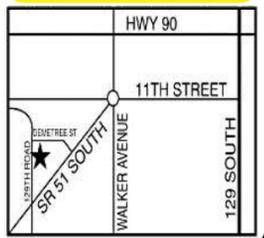
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Aspiring teacher to be speaker at Saint Leo commencement

From staff reports

In August 2011, Philip Donaway enrolled at Saint Leo University with the goal of becoming an elementary school teacher. On Friday he will walk across the stage, having earned a bachelor's degree in elementary education, a reading endorsement and an ESOL endorsement.

Donaway will also be addressing his fellow graduates and guests.

Donaway was selected to speak at the commencement ceremony by Saint Leo University-Lake City Center Director Julie Turk based on recommendations from faculty members.

"Everyone seemed to agree he consistently demonstrated the university core values of integrity, excellence, community and

respect," said adjunct faculty member Vicki Oden. "Donaway demonstrated a deep respect for the profession of educator as well as for those involved in his own education."

The staff agreed Donaway went the extra mile to be supportive and will be a much needed male role model in the elementary school setting.

"The idea of becoming a teacher was one that built over time and was perpetuated by my family" Donaway said. He credits his mother and father, his own patience and persistence and volunteering in his mother-in-law's classroom for having led him to pursue a career as an educator.

Commencement will be held at Florida Gateway College at 5 p.m. Friday



COURTESY

Philip Donaway of Lake City has been selected as student speaker at commencement ceremonies Friday for Saint Leo University.

BOY: House entered

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The neighbor told police the boy came back out through the window and tucked "some kind of clothing object into his pants," the report says.

From the description the neighbor gave them, officers were able to find the three boys around the corner from the scene of the alleged burglary, the report says.

Police officers called the suspects' mothers, and after speaking with them, were able to recover the item of clothing, a pair of

socks.

The socks were found in the boy's home inside his closet, the report said.

The boy was arrested and taken to the Columbia County Detention Facility.

The Department of Juvenile Justice in Gainesville later ordered jail officials to release the boy to his parents.

The two other juvenile suspects face charges of accessory after the fact, the report said. They were released to their mother.



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COURT: Redistricting process being challenged

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registered Democrats than Republicans in the state and President Barack Obama carried the state.

The case before the Supreme Court concerns a procedural question of whether a lawsuit challenging state Senate seats should be thrown out. Lawyers for the Legislature argue that the Supreme Court already reviewed the maps once and should dismiss the legal challenge.

Circuit Judge Terry Lewis has already rejected that argument and wrote that it "flies in the face of case law." He cited prior Supreme Court and appellate rulings that said trial courts have jurisdiction over redistricting challenges.

The groups suing the state — which include the League of Women Voters and the National Council of La Raza — argue the case should proceed because they've unearthed docu-

ments showing top GOP officials met in late 2010 to brainstorm redistricting with political consultants and legislative staffers.

Lawyers for the League want the lawsuit to stay alive in order to go ahead with an "even deeper factual inquiry" on whether the Legislature drew the 2012 Senate map with "improper intent."

But court filings made by legislative lawyers in a Leon County court show that Fair Districts — the group behind the initial amendments — also used political consultants to draw up its own maps that would help out Democratic candidates.

One email even showed how one consultant wanted "to scoop as many Jews" as possible out of two cities and put them in the Congressional district that is to home to U.S. Rep. Debbie Wasserman Schultz, D-Weston.

Another email stated that the

"underlying goal" was to increase "safe Democratic seats" and the number of "competitive seats."

Dan Gelber, a former legislator and attorney for one of the groups challenging the maps, said it doesn't matter that Fair Districts — which branded itself as a nonpartisan group seeking changes — drew up maps weighted toward Democrats. Gelber said the goal of the consultants was to draw up maps that better reflected the intent of the Fair Districts standards.

"If the legislature's argument is that our map drawers were trying to achieve fairness in a state that had been illegally manipulated to create partisan imbalance, we fully agree," Gelber said in an email.

But he added that it doesn't matter the intent of Fair Districts since ultimately it was up to legislators to draw new districts. He argued that they were the ones who "broke the law."

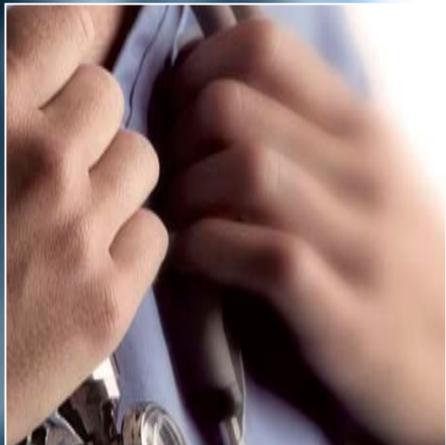


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Columbia High's team takes up the dirt for the last time on the Lady Tigers' home field on in the Class 6A Regional Final against Mosley High on Sunday. The Lady Tigers leave today for Vero Beach and the Final Four.

The road to Vero

Columbia's softball team leaves for Final 4 today

By BRANDON FINLEY
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Columbia High's softball team is boldly going where no team before it has gone before. The Lady Tigers made history on Sunday by reaching the Final Four for the first time in school history.

Now, the goal for the Lady Tigers is to make a little more history and return with a championship.

Still, the excitement of just being alive for the chance to win the Class 6A State Championship at Vero Beach beginning Friday is more than head coach Jimmy Williams could have imagined.

"It's just now sinking in," Williams said. "I finally started grinning a little bit this afternoon. We're still practicing this part of the year, my score book is full and I have to get a new one. The girls are excited about the trip tomorrow. We're pretty loose really. It's one of the loosest practices we've had. It's laid back and it's going to be fun."

But the work isn't over for the Lady Tigers. It's not just about reaching the Final Four. Columbia is pre-

paring to win the state title. "Mostly what we're working on is working at swinging at strikes, because that's been our downfall here lately," Williams said.

Columbia's downfall hasn't hurt the Lady Tigers yet as they've won three games to reach this point, but Williams is looking for more with the bats.

"I think the excitement and nerves have made us a little unfocused on swinging at good pitches," Williams said. "We can't score from the dugout. We're trying to fine tune the strike zone. Our focus is on strikes and the outside pitch."

The Lady Tigers are asking fans to line the streets today as they make their way to Vero Beach for the Final Four. Williams said that any fan that wishes to waive the Lady Tigers bye will be appreciated.

"We're going to leave at 9:30 a.m. and arrive around 4 p.m.," Williams said. "To me, it's a super big deal. The community is calling in wanting to donate. It's just now sinking in to me how, what we have accomplished, is pretty amazing."

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Columbia High's Ashley Shoup pitches against Mosley High as Kayli Kvistad (front) and Brittany Morgan (back) await the play on Sunday.

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TGC — PGA Tour, The Players Championship, first round, at Ponte Vedra Beach

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL
10 p.m.
MLB — Regional coverage, Atlanta at San Francisco or Philadelphia at Arizona (9:30 p.m. start)

NHL HOCKEY
7 p.m.
CNBC — Playoffs, conference quarterfinals, game 5, Ottawa at Montreal
NBCSN — Playoffs, conference quarterfinals, game 5, N.Y. Islanders at Pittsburgh

9:30 p.m.
NBCSN — Playoffs, conference quarterfinals, game 5, Minnesota at Chicago

BASKETBALL

NBA playoffs

CONFERENCE SEMIFINALS
Tuesday
New York 105, Indiana 79, series tied 1-1
Memphis 99, Oklahoma City 93, series tied 1-1

Friday
Miami at Chicago, 8 p.m.
San Antonio at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.

Saturday
Oklahoma City at Memphis, 5 p.m.
New York at Indiana, 8 p.m.

Sunday
San Antonio at Golden State, 3:30 p.m.
Monday
Miami at Chicago, 7 p.m.
Oklahoma City at Memphis, 9:30 p.m.

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Selected by a panel of 121 sportswriters and broadcasters from the United States and Canada on a 5-3-1 basis.

Coach	1st	2nd	3rd	Total
George Karl, Den	62	26	16	404
Erik Spoelstra, Mia	24	17	19	190
Mike Woodson, NY	6	28	13	127
Gregg Popovich, SA	11	16	17	120
Frank Vogel, Ind	3	11	12	60
Lionel Hollins, Mem	6	4	13	55
Mark Jackson, GS	3	6	14	47
Tom Thibodeau, Chi	2	7	9	40
Kevin McHale, Hou	1	3	17	21
P.J. Carlesimo, Bkn	1	1	8	10
V. Del Negro, LAC	1	1	8	10
Larry Drew, Atl	1	1	6	8
Doc Rivers, Bos	1	1	4	6
Scott Brooks, OKC	-	-	3	3

BASEBALL

AL standings

	East Division			
	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	21	12	.636	—
Baltimore	20	13	.606	1
New York	18	13	.581	2
Tampa Bay	14	18	.438	6½
Toronto	13	21	.382	8½
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Detroit	19	11	.633	—
Kansas City	17	12	.586	1½
Cleveland	16	14	.533	3
Minnesota	14	15	.483	4½
Chicago	13	18	.419	6½
West Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Texas	20	13	.606	—
Oakland	18	16	.529	2½
Seattle	15	19	.441	5½
Los Angeles	11	21	.344	8½

Houston	9	24	.273	11
Today's Games				
Kansas City (Guthrie 3-1) at Cleveland (Kazmir 1-1), 12:05 p.m.				
N.Y.Yankees (Sabathia 4-3) at Colorado (Francis 1-2), 3:10 p.m.				
Detroit (Fister 4-0) at Washington (Haren 3-3), 4:05 p.m.				
Kansas City (Guthrie 4-0) at Baltimore (Mig.Gonzalez 2-2), 7:05 p.m.				
Minnesota (Correia 3-2) at Boston (Lackey 1-2), 7:10 p.m.				
Toronto (Dickey 2-5) at Tampa Bay (Price 1-3), 7:10 p.m.				
L.A. Angels (Vargas 1-3) at Houston (Harrell 3-3), 8:10 p.m.				
Friday's Games				
Cleveland at Detroit, 7:08 p.m.				
San Diego at Tampa Bay, 7:10 p.m.				
Toronto at Boston, 7:10 p.m.				
Baltimore at Minnesota, 8:10 p.m.				
L.A. Angels at Chicago White Sox, 8:10 p.m.				
N.Y.Yankees at Kansas City, 8:10 p.m.				
Texas at Houston, 8:10 p.m.				
Oakland at Seattle, 10:10 p.m.				

NL standings

	East Division			
	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlanta	19	13	.594	—
Washington	17	15	.531	2
Philadelphia	16	18	.471	4
New York	13	16	.448	4½
Miami	10	24	.294	10
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
St. Louis	20	12	.625	—
Pittsburgh	18	14	.563	2
Cincinnati	19	15	.559	2
Milwaukee	15	16	.484	4½
Chicago	13	20	.394	7½
West Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Colorado	19	13	.594	—
San Francisco	19	14	.576	½
Arizona	18	15	.545	1½
San Diego	15	18	.455	4½
Los Angeles	13	19	.406	6

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Detroit (Fister 4-0) at Washington (Haren 3-3), 4:05 p.m.				
Pittsburgh (Locke 3-1) at N.Y. Mets (Gee 2-4), 7:10 p.m.				
Philadelphia (Hamels 1-4) at Arizona (Corbin 4-0), 9:40 p.m.				
Atlanta (Teheran 1-0) at San Francisco (Vogelsong 1-2), 10:15 p.m.				
Friday's Games				
Chicago Cubs at Washington, 7:05 p.m.				
Milwaukee at Cincinnati, 7:10 p.m.				
Pittsburgh at N.Y. Mets, 7:10 p.m.				
San Diego at Tampa Bay, 7:10 p.m.				
Colorado at St. Louis, 8:15 p.m.				
Philadelphia at Arizona, 9:40 p.m.				
Miami at L.A. Dodgers, 10:10 p.m.				
Atlanta at San Francisco, 10:15 p.m.				

College polls

COLLEGIATE BASEBALL				
TUCSON, Ariz. — The Collegiate Baseball poll with records through May 5, points and previous rank. Voting is done by coaches, sports writers and sports information directors:				
	Record	Pts	Pvs	
1. Vanderbilt	41-6	497	1	
2. North Carolina	42-4	496	2	
3. LSU	43-6	494	3	
4. Cal St. Fullerton	39-7	492	4	
5. Oregon State	37-8	489	5	
6. Oregon	37-11	488	6	
7. N.C. State	37-11	485	7	
8. Virginia	39-8	484	8	
9. Florida State	38-9	482	9	
10. Louisville	37-10	476	11	
11. UCLA	31-13	473	12	
12. Arkansas	32-16	469	16	
13. Oklahoma	34-14	467	10	
14. Arizona State	30-14-1	464	13	
15. Clemson	30-15	462	14	
16. South Carolina	33-14	459	15	
17. Pittsburgh	36-11	458	17	
18. New Mexico	30-17	456	18	
19. Stanford	26-16	452	22	
20. South Florida	31-16	448	20	
21. Indiana	35-9	444	21	
22. Cal Poly	31-14	440	24	
23. South Alabama	36-13	438	25	

24. Mississippi St.	36-13	435	28
25. Troy	35-12	432	—
26. Rice	31-15	429	27
27. Mississippi	33-16	427	26
28. Sam Houston	Sc31-17	424	—
29. Kansas State	34-15	421	—
30. Campbell	39-9	419	29

BASEBALL AMERICA
DURHAM, N.C. — The top 25 teams in the *Baseball America* poll with records through May 5 and previous ranking (voting by the staff of *Baseball America*):

	Record	Pvs
1. North Carolina	42-4	1
2. Vanderbilt	41-6	2
3. LSU	43-6	3
4. Cal State Fullerton	39-7	4
5. N.C. State	37-11	5
6. Oregon State	37-8	6
7. Virginia	39-8	7
8. UCLA	31-13	9
9. Florida State	38-9	10
10. Oregon	37-11	11
11. Arkansas	32-16	14
12. Louisville	37-10	13
13. Arizona State	30-14	8
14. Indiana	35-9	16
15. South Carolina	33-14	15
16. New Mexico	30-17	17
17. Rice	31-15	19
18. Oklahoma	34-14	12
19. Clemson	30-15	18
20. South Alabama	36-13	20
21. Mississippi State	36-13	22
22. Virginia Tech	30-19	25
23. South Florida	31-16	—
24. Pittsburgh	36-11	—
25. Stanford	26-16	—

GOLF

Golf week

PGA TOUR
THE PLAYERS CHAMPIONSHIP
Site: Ponte Vedra Beach
Schedule: Today-Sunday.
Course: TPC Sawgrass, Players Stadium
Course (7,215 yards, par 72).
Purse: \$9.5 million. Winner's share: \$1.71 million.

Television: Golf Channel (Today-Friday, 1-7 p.m., 9 p.m.-midnight) and NBC (Saturday-Sunday, 2-7 p.m.).
Online: <http://www.pgatour.com>

LPGA TOUR
Next event: Mobile Bay LPGA Classic, May 16-19, Robert Trent Jones Golf Trail, Magnolia Grove, The Crossings, Mobile, Ala.

Last week: Cristie Kerr won the Kingsmill Championship for the third time, beating Suzann Pettersen with a par on the second hole of a playoff. Kerr has 16 LPGA Tour victories.
Online: <http://www.lpga.com>

CHAMPIONS TOUR
Next event: Senior PGA Championship, May 23-26, Bellerive Country Club, St. Louis.

Last week: Esteban Toledo became the first Mexican winner in Champions Tour history, beating Mike Goodes with a par on the third hole of a playoff in the In斯perity Championship.
Online: <http://www.pgatour.com>

EUROPEAN TOUR
Next events: Volvo World Match Play Championship, May 16-19, Thracian Cliffs Golf & Beach Resort, Kavarna, Bulgaria; Madeira Islands Open, May 16-19, Santo da Serra Golf Club, Santo da Serra, Madeira Islands.

Last week: Brett Rumford won the China Open to become the first Australian in 41 years to win consecutive European Tour titles. The Ballantine's Championship winner the previous week in South Korea, Rumford beat Finland's Mikko Ilonen by four strokes. Australians Jack Newton and Graham Marsh won consecutive events in 1972, the first year of the tour.
Online: <http://www.europeantour.com>

WEB.COM TOUR
Next event: BMW Charity Pro-Am, May 16-19, Thornblade Club, Greer, S.C.; Greenville Country Club, Chanticleer Course, Greenville, S.C.; The Reserve at Lake Keowee, Sunset, S.C.

Last week: Brendon Todd won the rain-shortened Stadion Classic at the University of Georgia. The former Georgia star became the third

consecutive Bulldogs player to win the event. Russell Henley won in 2011 while still in school, and Hudson Swafford took the 2012 title.

AUTO RACING

Race week

NASCAR SOUTHERN 500
Site: Darlington, S.C.
Schedule: Friday, practice (Speed, 11:30 a.m.-3 p.m.), qualifying (Speed, 5-6:30 p.m.); Saturday, race, 6:45 p.m. (FOX, 6:30-10:30 p.m.).
Track: Darlington Raceway (oval, 1.366 miles).

Race distance: 501.3 miles, 367 laps.
Next race: NASCAR Sprint All-Star Race, May 18, Charlotte Motor Speedway, Concord, N.C.
Online: <http://www.nascar.com>

NATIONWIDE VFW SPORT CLIPS HELP A HERO 200
Site: Darlington, S.C.
Schedule: Friday, practice (Speed, qualifying (ESPN2, 7:30-5 p.m.); race, 7:30 p.m. (ESPN2, 7-10 p.m.).
Track: Darlington Raceway (oval, 1.366 miles).

Race distance: 200.8 miles, 147 laps.
Next race: History 300, May, 25, Charlotte Motor Speedway, Concord, N.C.

CAMPING WORLD TRUCK
Next race: North Carolina Education Lottery 200, May 17, Charlotte Motor Speedway, Concord, N.C.

FORMULA ONE SPANISH GRAND PRIX
Site: Barcelona, Spain.
Schedule: Friday, practice (NBC Sports Network, 8-9:30 a.m.); Saturday, practice, qualifying (NBC Sports Network, 8-9:30 a.m.); Sunday, race, 8 a.m. (NBC Sports Network, 7:30-10:30 a.m., 2-5 p.m.).
Track: Circuit de Catalunya (road course, 2.89 miles).

Race distance: 190.8 miles, 66 laps.
Next race: Monaco Grand Prix, May 26, Circuit de Monaco, Monte Carlo, Monaco.
Online: <http://www.formula1.com>

NHRA MELLO YELLO DRAG RACING NHRA SOUTHERN NATIONALS
Site: Commerce, Ga.
Schedule: Friday, qualifying (ESPN2, 10-11 a.m.); Saturday, final eliminations (ESPN2, 8-11 p.m.).
Track: Atlanta Dragway.

Next event: NHRA Kansas Nationals, May 17-19, Heartland Park Topeka, Topeka, Kan.
Online: <http://www.nhra.com>

IZOD INDYCAR
Next race: Indianapolis 500, May 26, Indianapolis Motor Speedway, Indianapolis.
Last week: Andretti Autosport's James Hinchcliffe won the Sao Paulo 300 for his second victory of the year, passing Takuma Sato on the final turn. The Canadian also won the opener at St. Petersburg.
Online: <http://www.indycar.com>

OTHER RACES
AMERICAN LE MANS SERIES: American Le Mans Monterey, Saturday (ESPN2, Sunday, 4-6 p.m.), Mazda Raceway Laguna Seca, Monterey, Calif. Online: <http://www.alms.com>

HOCKEY
NHL playoffs

FIRST ROUND
Tuesday
Ottawa 3, Montreal 2, OT, Ottawa leads series 3-1
N.Y. Islanders 6, Pittsburgh 4, series tied 2-2
Chicago 3, Minnesota 0, Chicago leads series 3-1
San Jose 4, Vancouver 3, San Jose wins series 4-0

Today
N.Y. Islanders at Pittsburgh, 7 p.m.
Ottawa at Montreal, 7 p.m.
Minnesota at Chicago, 9:30 p.m.

YOUTH SOCCER

CYSA accepting summer sign-ups

Columbia Youth Soccer Association is taking registration for its Summer Soccer League for ages 3-16. All teams are gender specific. Fee of \$75 includes jersey, shorts, socks and year-end award
Register at [columbia youthsoccerassociation.com](http://columbiayouthsoccerassociation.com).

RUNNING

Chances For Children 5K

The Chances For Children 5K is 8 a.m. May 18 in downtown Lake City. Register at www.stepfitnessonline.com under racing and running and be guaranteed a T-shirt, or in person at Carquest Auto Parts on Pinemont Road. Race day registration begins at 7 a.m.

For details, call Michelle Richards at 208-2447.

Marineland 5K race May 18

The Marineland-In-Motion 5K Race & Exploration Walk Fundraiser is 9 a.m. May 18. Proceeds benefit Marineland Military Support Retreat and Community Forum.

Registration fee of \$25 for adults and \$10 for children ages 18 and younger includes a shirt and free general admission to Marineland's Dolphin Adventure. Register at gratitudeamerica.org/Marineland. Race day registration begins at 8 a.m. and ends at 8:45 a.m. sharp.

For details, call John November at (904) 525-3042.

CHS CHEERLEADING
Cheer clinic set for Saturday

A Columbia High cheer clinic for pre-kindergarten through fifth-grade students is 9 a.m. to noon Saturday in the CHS gym. Cost of \$20 includes snack. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m.; performances begin at 11:45 a.m.

For details, call Maci Dukes at 755-8080.

FORT WHITE FOOTBALL
Skeet shoot set for May 18

The Fort White Quarterback Club's 2nd

Annual 5 Stand Skeet Shoot fundraiser is 9 a.m. May 18 at the Fort White Gun Club. A single round of 25 shots costs \$40. A title sponsorship is available for \$1,000, and there are shooting stand and skeet trap sponsorships for \$100. Lunch is at 12:30 p.m., followed by a raffle at 2 p.m.

For details, call Harold Bundy at 365-5731.

CHS FOOTBALL
Q-back Club meeting Monday

The Columbia High Quarterback Club will meet at 7 p.m. Monday in the Jones Fieldhouse. Columbia football players and parents are selling tickets for BBQ chicken lunches. These lunches will be available at the CHS football concession stand area from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday, the day of the Purple & Gold game. Lunch orders of 10 or more at one business can request delivery if the buyer is unable to pick them up.

For details, call Allen Masters at 292-0725.

GIRLS CLUB
Summer sign-up begins Wednesday

Registration for the

GOLF REPORTS

Tortorice breezes in blitz

Tim Tortorice breezed to a +10 finish to blow away the field in the Wednesday Blitz.

Tortorice reeled off three birdies in a row on Nos. 6, 7 and 8, which rewarded him with 12 quick points on the way to his winning total. Second place went to Joe Herring at +7.

Skin winners were Jack Tuggle, Randy Heavrin, Don Horn (2), Herring and Tortorice.

Closest to pin winners were Horn on No. 3, Tuggle on No. 5, Heavrin on No. 11, Horn on No. 15 and Heavrin on No. 17.

Friday Dogfight results were: first-Gerald Smithy +6; second (tie)-Tim Tortorice and Jack Tuggle +4.

Skin winners were Bob McGraw, Tony Johnson (3),

QUAIL HEIGHTS COUNTRY CLUB

Chet Carter

Ralph Minster (2), Smithy, Tortorice and Tuggle.

Closest to pin winners were Johnson on No. 3, Tuggle on No. 5, Tortorice on No. 11, Tuggle on No. 15 and Johnson on No. 17.

The Wednesday Scramble resulted in a playoff as two teams posted 5 under par. The team of Phillip Russell, Bill Ryan, Tony Johnson, and Richard Duebler made birdie on the first playoff hole to take the win.

The two 5-under teams had one shot at the pot. Neither hole was the lucky number, so a big pot rolls over again.

Sign up by 4:30 p.m. to

pick teams at 5 p.m. for the scramble. All are welcome.

Tuesday Twilight match winners were:

■ First flight — Bob and Carole McGraw +8, Todd and Tiara Carter +4, Dion and Jan Cole even;

■ Second flight — Joe Herring and Tony Johnson +5, Randy Heavrin and Larry Boone +7, Mike and Patti Kahlich +2;

■ Third flight — Billy Ryan and Ken Kellum +1, Phillip and Brooke Russell +13.

Upcoming events:

■ Saturday — Elite Academy Youth Baseball Tournament, 8 a.m. shotgun start;

■ May 18 — Voices for Children Guardian Ad Litem Golf Tournament, 8:30 a.m. shotgun start.

New driver helps Witt win

Eli Witt put a new driver in play and used it to nail down a +12 finish in the Saturday blitz.

Witt was pushed hard by Randy Sommers, who posted a fine +10 for second place. Terry Hunter was in third with +5.

Jerry Smith had two skins to split the pot with Hunter and Witt.

Dennis Crawford (+9) started his round par-eagle-birdie and hung on to edge Barney Hart (+8) in the A flight of Wednesday's blitz. Don Howard and Cory Depratter tied for third at +5.

Ed Snow continued his hot streak to tie Corey Bannister at +6 in B flight. Shelton Keen, Jerry West and Dave Blair knotted at +3 for third place.

Keen's birdie on No. 17 held up for a skin and a small pot hole win. Other skins went to Crawford (2), Chad Hunter and West.

Don Howard and Codi Hudson traded birdies en route to a first place deadlock at +8 in the A flight of Sunday's blitz. Buddy Slay and Joe Paul also had their share of birdies for a second-place tie at +7.

COUNTRY CLUB at LAKE CITY

Ed Goff

The day's third tie was between Mickey Wilcox and Bruce Ford at +9 in B flight. David Rhodes took solo third with +4.

Closest to the pin winners were Brandon Goss on No. 5, Scott Kishon on No. 7, Howard on No. 15 and Paul on No. 17.

Paul shared the skins pot with Randy Sommers, Hank Rone and Steve Thomas.

Putters didn't count in the LGA "tee to green" format. Katrina Counts, Jan Davis and Faye Warren let their long game do the talking and finished in a first-place tie at net 34.

Sally Rivers was two strokes back in fourth, followed by Carol Felton another shot back in fifth.

Jan Davis claimed the chip-in pot with her skill shot on No. 9.

The Good Old Boys had two close matches and a host of good individual scores.

The first close match ended in a one-point win for the threesome of Don

Howard, Bill Rogers and Tony Branch over the trio of Monty Montgomery, Jim Bell and Dan Stephens.

Match two was also a one-pointer, this time in favor of the team of Ed Snow, Dave Cannon, Joe Persons and Stan Woolbert, 5-4, over the team of Jerry West, Eli Witt, Emerson Darst and Paul Davis.

Match three was the only yawner, with the team of Dennis Hendershot, Shelton Keen, Larry Ward and Jim Stevens taking a 7-4 win over the foursome of Marc Risk, Bobby Simmons, Rob Brown and Bill Wheeler.

Risk (38-36-74) headed the list of medalist contenders. Howard was a close second with 37-38-75.

Others in the hunt were Hendershot (77), Woolbert, West and Bell with 78, and Snow, Montgomery and Stephens with 79.

Upcoming events:

■ Friday, ARC tournament, 8:30 a.m. shotgun start (course closed until 2 p.m.);

■ Saturday, The Players;

■ May 17, Kiwanis charity tournament, 8:30 a.m. shotgun start (course closed until 12:30 p.m.).



Photo courtesy of NGA Tour

Lake City native Blayne Barber (second from left) is joined by wife and caddie Morgan Barber at the check presentation for Barber's win at the Savannah Lake Village Classic.

Barber wins Savannah Lakes Village Classic

NGA Tour release

McCORMICK, S.C. — The Savannah Lakes Village Classic has always been considered a mini major to golfers on the NGATOUR. And while this year's event played more like a British Open than the Masters, the player-favorite tournament again lived up to its reputation.

There were three different leaders in the third round and the names atop the leaderboard were ones that will be remembered for many years to come. Lake City's Blayne Barber, Jon Curran and Matt Hendrix battled each other — and the weather — incessantly on Saturday at Monticello Golf Club before Barber posted a pair of late birdies to take a two-stroke lead.

The intensity of the group had a final-round

feeling, which proved apropos after heavy rains washed out the final round on Sunday, giving Barber his second NGA Tour Pro Series victory in just his sixth start.

"I went out there on Saturday and approached it like it was the final round. That was my mindset," said Barber, who finished at 9-under par and earned \$28,000 for the victory. "It's great to play with guys like Matt and Jon. Matt has experience on the PGA and Web.com tours and Jon has two wins on the NGA Tour this season and played on the PGA Tour last week. Playing with other guys that are doing well certainly compels you to do well yourself."

After Curran moved three shots ahead with seven holes left to play on Saturday, Barber, a former Auburn All-American,

would need a compelling finish to earn his first win of 2013.

"The first 11 holes today were a grind," said Barber, who finished T24 in the PGA Tour's Puerto Rico Open. "The conditions were tough, the greens were firm and the pins were tucked. I really was struggling to stay patient. (Wife and caddie) Morgan just kind of reminded me of some truth and prayed for me and where we were. After that, I was able to stay patient, made a chip No. 16 and then birdied 17. It was a struggle, but patience paid off."

The chip-in birdie on No. 16 gave Barber his first lead of the event and the birdie on No. 17 allowed the 2012 All-Nicklaus Team member to finish the third round with a 2-under 70 and a two-stroke lead over Hendrix.

Woods goes from red carpet to TPC Sawgrass

By DOUG FERGUSON
Associated Press

PONTE VEDRA BEACH — One night after making his red carpet debut in New York, Tiger Woods was on a golf course that hasn't treated him very well over the years.

Woods said it took him a week to get over his tie for fourth at the Masters. Next up is The Players Championship, where he has won only once in 15 years and has just one top 10 since that victory in 2001.

"If you're not playing well, you're going to get exposed," Woods said.

Woods was at full exposure Monday night at the Met with girlfriend Lindsey Vonn. For someone who has demanded so much privacy off the golf course, he attended the Costume Institute Gala. Vonn was a guest of Vogue. He posed on the red carpet wearing a black suit, while the Olympic ski champion wore a long white dress with see-through slits. The theme of the gala was "PUNK: Chaos to Couture."

Woods has always been more about green jackets and claret jugs.

"It was certainly different," Woods said. "Lindsey wanted to try and grow her brand. She's come out with a new perfume and makeup line, so that was a big thing for her and I'm supporting it. As you know, I'm not really big into fashion stuff. The theme was pretty interesting, because obviously I remember some of that stuff when I was a kid. But I certainly didn't wear that stuff."

Are more red carpets on the horizon?

"We'll see," Woods said.

"Maybe I can just go in jeans and a T-shirt or something."

Woods is used to the attention as the primary focus of golf since he won the 1997 Masters. He was reminded of how much fans pay attention to him at the Masters, where he was involved in an unusual rules situation that won't seem to go away.

It started with Woods' third shot hitting the flag on the 15th hole and bouncing back into the water on the opening hole. Woods unknowingly took an illegal drop, but he wasn't told about the possible infraction until after he signed his card. Augusta National took the blame, with competitions chairman Fred Ridley saying it didn't initially notice the violation and chose not to ask Woods about it before he signed his card.

Eventually, he was given a two-shot penalty but allowed to stay in the tournament — instead of being disqualified for signing an incorrect scorecard — under Rule 33-7 that gives a committee discretion to waive the disqualification penalty.

The U.S. Golf Association and Royal & Ancient last week said the Masters was within its right not to disqualify Woods. He wound up four shots out of the lead in a tie for fourth, his 15th consecutive major without winning.

Woods said it took him a week to get over his performance at the Masters. He said he was surprised that the drop and how it was handled was still being debated.

"I think Fred explained it pretty well," Woods said.

"For some reason, evidently that wasn't accepted."

Woods said he if saw a violation on television, he would not call it in. Television viewers — in the case of the Masters, it was David Eger, a respected rules expert — have been calling in what they think are rules violations for years.

"I don't ever see myself calling in and saying that Kobe (Bryant) traveled or things like that, or an offensive lineman held," he said. "But it's our sport. And that's what we've done and we've accepted."

Woods, who now has gone eight appearances without winning the Masters, said he didn't stop thinking about it until he resumed practice a week later. He reserved his comments to the shot where all the debate began — a wedge that turned out to be too good. Woods was tied for the lead on the 15th hole in the opening round, and if the ball did not hit the flag, he likely would have had no more than about 5 feet for birdie.

"Unfortunately, I hit a good shot and got a bad break," Woods said. "But I still had an opportunity over the next 36 holes to get it back ... and I just didn't do it."

Woods doesn't have much of an answer when it comes to the TPC Sawgrass.

He has failed to crack the top 20 eight times, the most of any tournament he has played. He is the No. 1 player in the year, and looks like it. In his last three events, he has won twice and tied for fourth. How that translates to the TPC Sawgrass is unpredictable.

GOLF BRIEFS

Elite Academy Baseball tourney

The Elite Academy Youth Baseball Team Golf Tournament is 8 a.m. Saturday at Quail Heights Country Club. Format is four-person scramble. Entry fee of \$240 per team includes lunch. Hole sponsorships are available for \$110. Proceeds go to the Elite Academy 9U, 10U, and 12U baseball teams for the USSSA AA World Series in June and July. For details, call Audrey Sikes at 623-4004.

Lake City Kiwanis tourney May 17

Heritage Bank of the South presents the Kiwanis Club of Lake City's annual Coach Joe Fields Golf Tournament on May 17

at The Country Club at Lake City. Entry fee of \$60 includes green fee, cart, happy cart and lunch. Hole sponsors are \$50 or \$100 for combination golf and sponsor. Registration and lunch begin at 11:30 a.m. with a 1 p.m. shotgun start. Proceeds go to Kiwanis youth programs and future parks in Columbia County.

For details, call Norbie Ronsonet at 752-2180 or Carl Ste-Marie at 752-2266.

Elks Lodge charity tourney June 1

Lake City Elks Lodge's annual charity golf tournament is June 1 at The Country Club at Lake City. Format is four-person scramble with an 8:30 a.m. shotgun start. Entry fee of \$50 per person includes hamburgers, hot dogs and beverages. Hole sponsors

are \$100 and include a golf entry. Sign-up sheets are at the pro shop or Elks Lodge; register by May 24.

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

Pat Daniels Fort White tournament

The Pat Daniels Memorial Tournament for the benefit of the Fort White Quarterback Club is June 1 at Quail Heights Country Club. Format is three-person scramble with a 9 a.m. shotgun start. Sign-up begins at 8 a.m. Entry fee of \$50 per person includes steak lunch. Tee sponsorships are \$100 and team sponsorships are \$250 for three players and a tee sponsorship.

For details, call Margie Kluess at 365-9302.

■ From staff reports

Scott tries to return to earth

Associated Press

PONTE VEDRA BEACH — The worst thing about returning to golf for Adam Scott is that he had to leave the green jacket behind.

In the three weeks since becoming the first Australian to win the Masters, Scott says he has walked to his closet each morning and slipped on the green jacket. He left that behind at his home in the Bahamas. Now it's back to golf at The Players Championship. Scott spent a few days

in New York after winning the Masters, and the rest of the time he has been on an island. He says he was tempted to go home to Australia to celebrate, but he is reminding himself that the season is still young. He wants to win more majors.

The Players Championship gets under way Thursday with the strongest field in golf.

Singh suing PGA over proposed suspension

PONTE VEDRA BEACH

— Vijay Singh sued the PGA Tour on Wednesday for exposing him to "public humiliation and ridicule" during a 12-week investigation into his use of deer antler spray that ended last week when the tour dropped its case against him.

The lawsuit was a surprise, and so was the timing — the day before The Players Championship, the flagship event on the PGA Tour held on its home course where Singh has honed his game for the last two decades.

Open competition for Tigers

By **BRANDON FINLEY**
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Columbia High began its second week of spring practice this week with head coach Brian Allen's eyes turned toward the Purple & Gold Game on Friday.

While the coaching staff is looking at all areas, one that is sure to stand out for the fans is the quarterback competition after the graduation of Jayce Barber.

"As usual, most of the times in the spring, defense has been having some pretty good practices," Allen said. "We know it takes (the offense) a little longer to get going. They have a bunch of new guys and the communication has to get there with three kids trying to compete for quarterback. I was happy with yesterday's practice. Each day seems to get better, because they're not thinking as much."

Allen said the job is anybody's to win with Austin Williams, Jake Thomas and Nate Taylor looking to win the position.

"Nobody is in the front and nobody is in the back," Allen said. "The position is out there for someone to take. There's a senior and rising sophomores competing for it. We'll take it into the summer and the decision will be made after that. If we have a kid emerge in the summer, I'll name a starter."

While Allen wouldn't say if anyone had an advantage in the competition, he point-



Columbia High quarterback Austin Williams takes snap during a Tigers' football practice last week. Williams is competing this spring to be the Tigers' starting quarterback in the fall.

BRANDON FINLEY/Lake City Reporter

ed out that each quarterback had good qualities to lead the Tigers.

"Taylor is probably one of the hardest working kids in the program," Allen said.

"He comes in and gets work every day. He wants to learn every day. He was starting quarterback for junior varsity last year and had more reps than anyone last

year. He came up to varsity at the end. Offseason, he hasn't missed and you have to run him out of weight room. He's working to get the most out of his poten-

tial. People should know him before he leaves the program whether at quarterback or helping us win somewhere else."

As far as experience,

Williams has been with the program the longest and knows the offense well according to Allen.

"Austin, a senior, has been in the system," Allen said. "That's a good thing for him. He has that going more so than anybody else. That'll be to his advantage. He's the most mature of the three. He has good arm strength and that's not a question. He has to continue to learn and get better."

Despite being a sophomore, Thomas also has experience with the varsity.

"Jake has been in camp and been a starting quarterback in middle school," Allen said. "He has the tools to be the guy. He just has to hone in on the skills and study the game as much as possible. He got most of the reps when we set Jayce (Barber) at the end of the games blowing people out. We want to see him continue to get better. He has all the tools."

Columbia's Purple & Gold Game will begin at 6 p.m. with the junior varsity and middle school squads. Varsity will kick off around 7 p.m. on Friday.

"We get to see how they compete in a game," Allen said. "It'll be another good team period for us. It's an extended team period. We get to coach them on the field a little bit and see them do things on their own. It's free to the public. They'll be able to see a preview of what we'll be this year. We're hoping for a good crowd."

CHS

From Page 1B

I always went down and watched the Final Four. I never in my wildest dream expected to be able to participate."

But Williams said the Lady Tigers have carried a lot of confidence in practice this week and they deserve a proper farewell.

"The girls act like they expected to be here," Williams said. "I don't know how many people will participate. If one person does it, that's a blessing. If 10 people do it, that's great. The girls want to feel like the football team. They're one of the better programs at the school and have been for the last six years. They're wanting people to get behind it."

The trip is set to cost the team around \$4,000. Williams said any contributions at all would help and that anyone wanting to make a contribution should contact Wendy Dohrn at (386) 623-3641.

The Lady Tigers will leave the high school and make their way north on Marion, cut across at 100A and come back to go south on US-41 heading towards I-75.

If anyone wants to make a contribution, any amount would be good. To make that contribution call Wendy Dohrn, about a \$4,000 trip.

Williams believes that traveling a day before the showdown will be an advantage for the Lady Tigers as they get to know the facility.

"We'll try to get a practice in and get up the next morning before having breakfast at the hotel," Williams said. "We'll take some hitting and then we'll have pictures at 2:30 p.m. The last 30 minutes we'll be in the infield. The fact that we get to go a little early, the day before, I think it will give us a chance to get at the facility, walk around and see how other teams do their routine. It'll help us a lot so we won't be completely in the dark. I don't wanna drive all that way and get off the bus to play."

And the Lady Tigers won't have to. The game comes Friday.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO. 12-684-CA
CAMPUS USA CREDIT UNION, Plaintiff,
vs.
MILLA PEDIATRICS ASSOCIATES, INC., UNKNOWN TENANT IN POSSESSION, and SECOND UNKNOWN TENANT IN POSSESSION, Defendants.
NOTICE OF SALE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on the 29th day of May, 2013, at 11:00 A.M. at the Columbia County Courthouse, 173 NE Hernando Avenue, Lake City, Florida, the undersigned Clerk will offer for sale to the highest bidder for cash the following real and personal property more particularly described as:
Lot 4, SOUTH BANK PLACE, a subdivision according to he plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 6, Page 19 of the Public Records of Columbia County, Florida
The aforesaid sale will be made pursuant to the Final Judgment entered in Civil No. 12-684-CA now pending in the Circuit Court of the Third Judicial Circuit in and for Columbia County, Florida.
Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the Lis Pendens, must file a claim within 60 days after the sale.
DATED this 29th day of April, 2013.
P. DeWitt Cason, Clerk of Court
Columbia County, Florida
BY: /s/ B. Scippio
As Deputy Clerk

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May 9, 16, 2013

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 3RD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, FLORIDA.
CASE No.: 12000364CA
SPRINGLEAF HOME EQUITY, INC., FORMERLY KNOWN AS AMERICAN GENERAL HOME EQUITY, INC., Plaintiff,
vs.
Joel A. St. Jacques, Ichetucknee Forest Owner's Association, Inc. and Florida Credit Union; Defendants.
NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Summary Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated April 25, 2013 and entered in Case No. 12000364CA of the Circuit Court of the 3rd Judicial Circuit in and for Columbia County, Florida, wherein, SPRINGLEAF HOME EQUITY,

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INC., FORMERLY KNOWN AS AMERICAN GENERAL HOME EQUITY, INC., is Plaintiff and Joel A. St. Jacques, Ichetucknee Forest Owner's Association, Inc. and Florida Credit Union, are Defendants. I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash on the 3rd Floor of the Columbia County Courthouse located at 173 N.E. Hernando Ave., Lake City, FL at 11:00 o'clock A.M. on the 29th day of May, 2013 the following described property as set forth in said Summary Final Judgment, to wit:
LOT 20, Ichetucknee Forest, Block B, Phase 2, a subdivision according to plat thereof, recorded in Plat Book 5, Pages 125-125B, of the Public Records of Columbia County, Florida
Street Address: 1055 SW Loncala Loop, Ft. White, FL 32038
and all fixtures and personal property located therein or thereon, which are included as security in Plaintiff's mortgage.
Any person claiming an interest in the surplus funds from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the list pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale.
Dated at Lake City, Columbia County, Florida, this 29th day of April, 2013.
Dewitt Cason
Clerk of said Circuit Court
By: /s/ B. Scippio
As Deputy Clerk
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May 9, 16 2013

INVITATION TO BID
TRANSPORTATION OF LEACH-ATE
BID NO. 2013-B
Please be advised that Columbia County desires to accept bids on the above referenced item. Bids will be accepted until 11:00 a.m. on May 16, 2013 in the office of the Board of County Commissioners located at 135 NE Hernando Ave. Room 203, Lake City, Florida 32055.
Specifications and bid forms may be downloaded at the County web site, <http://www.columbiacountyfla.com/Purchasing.asp>. Columbia County reserves the right to reject any and/or all bids and to accept the bid in the County's best interest.
Dated April 30, 2013.
Columbia County Board of County Commissioners
Stephen E. Bailey, Chairman

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May 2, 9, 2013

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IRS AUCTION: Open to the public. June 5, 2013 at 10:00 AM at the Columbia County Courthouse- 173 NE Hernando Ave., Lake City, FL 32055. Registration at 9:30 AM/Inspection by drive-by only. Selling a 1,257 (897 heated) sq. ft. 3 bed/1 bath SFR built in 1995 situated on 0.237 acres located at 689 SE Sycamore Terrace, Lake City, FL 32025. Parcel No. 00-00-00-13568-000. Minimum bid: \$12,000.00. For more information, including pictures, terms and driving directions visit our website at www.ustreas.gov/auctions/irs. Under the authority in Internal Revenue Code section 6331, the property described above has been seized for nonpayment of internal revenue taxes due from Michael S. Conner. The property will be sold at public auction as provided by Internal Revenue Code section 6335 and related regulations. Only the right, title, and interest of Michael S. Conner in and to the property will be offered for sale. If requested, the Internal Revenue Service will furnish information about possible encumbrances, which may be useful in determining the value of the interest being sold. Payment terms: 20% of the successful bid is due upon acceptance of said bid with the balance due on July 8, 2013. All payments must be by cash, certified check, cashiers or treasurer's check or by a United States postal, bank, express, or telegraph money order. Make check or money order payable to the United States Treasury. For more information contact Paul Reed, Property Appraisal & Liquidation Specialist, at (770)826-1271 or visit the website listed above.
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May 9, 2013

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO: 08-367-CA
COLUMBIA TIMERBLAND, LTD., a Florida limited partnership, Plaintiff,
vs.
EVELYN D. MASSEY and STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE, Defendants.
NOTICE OF JUDICIAL A SALE BY THE CLERK
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Final Summary Judgment of Foreclosure entered on April 10, 2013, in the above-styled cause now pending in said court, that I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the Columbia County Courthouse, 173 N.E. Hernando Avenue, Lake City, Florida in accordance with Florida law at 11:00 a.m. on

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May 15, 2013, the real property and personal property described as follows:
Commence at the Southwest corner of Section 7, Township 6 South, Range 17 East, Columbia County, Florida and run thence S 89°38'15" E along the South line of said Section 7, 1257.24 feet; thence N 0°20'48" E, 667.95 feet; thence S 89°38'15" E, 1707 feet; thence N 0°20'48" E, 671.49 feet; thence S 89°38'15" E, 1300.06 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence continue N 89°38'15" E, 650.03 feet; thence N 0°20'48" E, 671.46 feet; thence N 89°38'15" E, 650.03 feet; thence S 0°20'48" W, 671.46 feet to the Point of Beginning. The West 30 feet of said lands being subject to an easement for ingress and egress.
Together with a 60-FT Road Easement in Tustenuggee Woods
A strip of land 60 feet in width being 30 feet each side of a centerline described as follows: Commence at the Southwest corner of Section 7, Township 6 South, Range 17 East, Columbia County, Florida and run thence S 89°38'15" E along the South line of said Section 7, 1257.24 feet; thence N 0°20'48" E, 667.95 feet; thence S 89°38'15" E, 17.07 feet to reference point "L" and the Point of Beginning; thence continue S 89°38'15" E, 1300.06 feet to reference point "M"; thence continue S 89°38'15" E, 1300.06 feet to reference point "N"; thence continue S 89°38'15" E, 1333.47 feet to the West right-of-way line of County Road No. C-131 and the Point of Termination. Also begin at reference point "L" and run thence N 0°20'48" E, 671.46 feet to the center point of a cul-de-sac having a radius of 50 feet and the Point of termination. Also begin at reference point "M" and thence N 0°20'48" E, 2014.38 feet to the Point of Termination. Also begin at reference point "N" and run thence N 0°20'48" E, 671.46 feet to the center point of a cul-de-sac having a radius of 50 feet and the Point of Termination.
Said sale will be made pursuant to and in order to satisfy the terms of said Final Summary Judgment of Foreclosure. Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale.
Dated: 4/16/2013
P. DEWITT CASON
By: /s/ B. Scippio
Deputy Clerk
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May 2, 9, 2013

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON ENACTMENT OF ORDINANCE BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKE CITY, FLORIDA
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that City Council Ordinance No. 2013-2034, which title hereinafter appears, will be considered for enactment on second and final reading by the City Council of the City of Lake City, Florida, at public hearing on Monday, May 20, 2013, at 7:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matters can be heard in the City Council Meeting Room, City Hall located at 205 North Marion Avenue, Lake City, Florida 32055. Copy of said ordinance may be inspected by any member of the public at the Office of the City Clerk, City Hall, located at 205 North Marion Avenue, Lake City, Florida 32055, during regular business hours. On the date, time and place first above mentioned, all interested persons may appear and be heard with respect to the ordinance.
CITY COUNCIL ORDINANCE NO. 2013-2034
AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKE CITY, FLORIDA, REVISING THE BOUNDARIES OF THE FOUR (4) SEPARATE ELECTION DISTRICTS, CONSISTING OF DISTRICTS 10, 12, 13 AND 14, CREATED BY AND DESCRIBED IN SECTION 301(c) OF ARTICLE III OF THE CITY CHARTER, AS AUTHORIZED AND REQUIRED BY SECTION 301(e) OF ARTICLE III OF THE CITY CHARTER; REDEFINING THE BOUNDARIES OF EACH DISTRICT 10, 12, 13, AND 14 TO INSURE THAT EACH SEPARATE DISTRICT HAS APPROXIMATELY THE SAME NUMBER OF REGISTERED VOTES; PROVIDING THAT THE GENERAL LAW OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA ON THE SUBJECT OF ELECTIONS SHALL APPLY TO ALL CITY ELECTIONS IN THE ABSENCE OF CONFLICTS WITH THE CITY CODE AND CITY CHARTER; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT WITH ANY OF THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ORDINANCE; PROVIDING FOR A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR THE INCLUSION OF THIS ORDINANCE IN THE CITY CODE; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
The public hearing may be continued to one or more future dates. Any interested party shall be advised that the date, time and place of any continuation of the public hearing shall be announced during the public hearing and that no further notice concerning the matter will be published. All persons are advised that, if they

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decide to appeal any decision made at the public hearing, they will need a record of the proceedings and, for such purpose, they may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceeding is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. In accordance with the Americans With Disabilities Act, if any accommodations are needed for persons with disabilities, please contact Joyce Bruner, Office of City Manager, 1-386-719-5768.
AUDREY E. SIKES
City Clerk

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May 9, 2013

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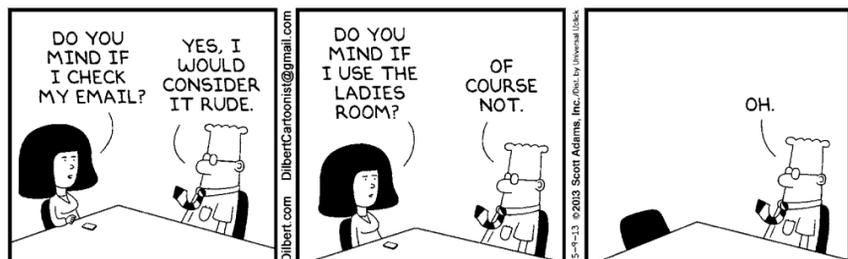
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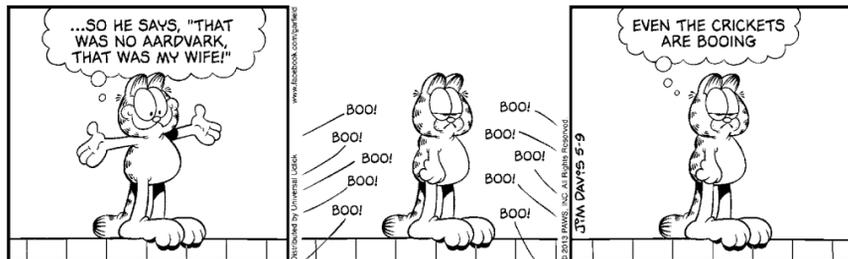
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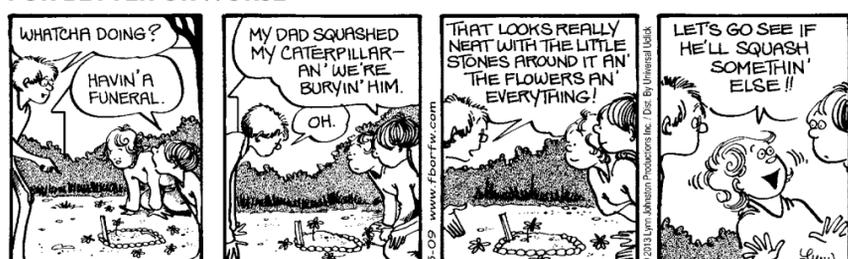
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DEAR ABBY

Cellphone snoop suspects friend of having an affair



Abigail Van Buren www.dearabby.com

DEAR ABBY: I have a friend who I believe is having an affair. I have no concrete evidence, only a slew of circumstantial evidence such as odd work hours, blocks of mystery time set aside at night in his cellphone's day planner, and evading questions about texts from females.

I have no idea how to approach him, or if I even should. I wouldn't know how to begin the conversation with him because I have no solid proof. I always considered him to be a decent individual, but in the back of my mind now I'm thinking, "He's cheating on his wife!" What makes me uneasy is that it's all based on my hunch. I'm usually pretty good with my hunches, though.

Any words of wisdom would be welcome. - NICK IN NEW ENGLAND

DEAR NICK: What are you doing going through your friend's cellphone day planner and reading his texts? He doesn't have to account to you for his time. If he wanted you to know what he's doing, he would tell you. Right now the "friendliest" thing you can do is mind your own business.

DEAR ABBY: I have worked at my job almost

have it communicated in a text, which was hurtful.

DEAR ABBY: After my best friend of more than 20 years, I'll call him Tim, told me his wife had cheated on him, I confessed that I am in love with him. His response floored me. Tim announced that he has been in love with me all this time and can imagine growing old with only me.

A friend told me I'm committing adultery with Tim because he is now in the process of leaving his cheating wife for me. Am I? We haven't been intimate, nor do we plan to sleep with each other until the divorce is final.

I have loved Tim far longer than she has been in the picture. Are we wrong to pursue a relationship? - CONFLICTED IN CALIFORNIA

DEAR CONFLICTED: If Tim has been in love with you all these years, he couldn't have had much of a marriage. His wife's infidelity was his "get out of jail" ticket and he took it. I don't know what your "friend's" definition of adultery is, but according to Webster's dictionary, you're not committing it.

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

10 years. Most of the owners are nice, and the staff is great. I like my job most days.

I had a really bad week recently. I felt like I couldn't do anything right. The week ended with a really angry text from my boss. He was right. I was in the wrong, and I apologized. He sent me another text, still angry, and my whole weekend was ruined by it. I kept thinking how mad he was, and how in a few days, I'd start my week in the doghouse.

How do I confront this issue? - STILL UPSET IN OREGON

DEAR STILL UPSET: It would have been much better management if your boss had talked with you face to face about what was wrong with your performance. By now, your boss should have cooled off, and I suggest that you have a private chat with him and say that if he has a bone to pick with you, you would prefer to hear it from his lips rather than

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THE LAST WORD Eugenia Last

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Patience will be required and keeping pushy people at bay necessary. Evaluate whatever situation you encounter before reacting. Concentrate on making alternate plans if someone disrupts what you are trying to accomplish. Secure your position and your reputation. ★★★

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Listen to what's being said and offered. You will be able to make a move that will surprise some and delight others. Collaborating with someone unique or quite different from you will open up new opportunities for future endeavors. ★★★

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Quick decisions must be based on fact, not fiction. Go over contracts carefully and flush out any fine print that may cause problems for you at a later date. Being proactive will enable you to stay ahead of any competition you face. ★★★

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Keeping a steady pace will ensure success. What you do for others will bring rewards. Use your imagination and you will impress someone you'd like to get to know better. Love and romance are highlighted and special plans should be made. ★★★

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Don't give in. Instead, make the changes that will ensure you reach your goals. Uncertainty regarding a partnership should be handled with caution. Back away from anyone trying to control or take over. ★★★

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You'll have plenty of options and lots to do. Partnership changes can be beneficial if you state what you want and stick to your game plan. Follow your intuition when dealing with domestic situations. Renovations will be

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Watch what's going on around you. Someone may try to give you a false impression. Ulterior motives are apparent. You may have to change your plans to avoid getting trapped into doing something you don't want to do. ★★★

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Use your knowledge and expertise to get ahead. Step into the spotlight and you'll impress everyone with your ideas, plans and presentation. Social networking will bring you in contact with someone spectacular. Don't overspend. Love is in the stars. ★★★★★

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Listen, but don't respond. Keep your plans a secret until you are ready to make your move. Expanding your living quarters or making domestic changes will give you greater maneuverability to pursue one of your goals. ★★★

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Your goals, friends and business associates will keep you busy. The timing for something you may have shelved in the past can be reopened. An interview will lead to a new beginning. Love is highlighted. ★★★

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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