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Partly cloudy with isolated thunderstorms.  
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**TELEPHONE NOTE**

Because of a lightning strike Friday afternoon, phone lines at the *Chronicle's* main offices may ring busy or cut off intermittently. Repairs are being made to the system.

# NYC bomb suspect pleads guilty

*Faisal Shahzad: Attacks will continue*

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Calling himself a "Muslim soldier," a defiant Pakistan-born U.S. citizen pleaded guilty Monday to carrying out the failed Times Square car bombing,

saying his attack was the answer to "the U.S. terrorizing... Muslim people."

Wearing a white skull cap, Faisal Shahzad entered the plea in U.S. District Court in Manhattan just days after a federal grand jury indicted him on 10 terrorism and

weapons counts, some of which carried mandatory life prison sentences. He pleaded guilty to them all.

"One has to understand where I'm coming from," Shahzad calmly told U.S. District Judge Miriam Goldman Cedarbaum, who challenged him repeatedly with questions such as whether he worried about killing children in Times

Square. "I consider myself ... a Muslim soldier."

The 30-year-old described his effort to set off a bomb in an SUV he parked in Times Square on May 1, saying he chose the warm Saturday night because it would be crowded with people whom he could injure or kill.

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# Getting their water wings



DAVE SIGLER/Chronicle

Swim instructor Sarah Dodge, owner of Pediaquatics, dunks 14-month-old Lauren Hartman head first into the pool to simulate the child falling into the water with her pajamas on. The lessons are not a replacement for supervision of children around water.

*For Sarah Dodge, dry runs the best way to keep kids safe around water*

AMANDA MIMS  
Chronicle

Fully clothed, they're pulled head first under water and they have to rely on the skills they've learned to make it out.

It isn't military water survival training, but one could make the comparison.

Except here, the ones learning critical survival techniques are wearing diapers, not uniforms, and their instructor, Sarah Dodge, uses her voice to reassure and soothe, not yell.

Dodge teaches children as young as 6 months old how to "self rescue" — how to survive if the child ever fell into the family swimming pool or off of a dock with no one else around. During the lessons she gives at her Homosassa home, the children learn how to roll over to their backs and reach the surface from any position. The child can float face up or swim face down to find a wall or edge, rolling over to breathe as needed.

Dodge said it's much harder for babies to swim with clothes and shoes on because they can't feel the water on their bodies, so she teaches them what it's like to fall in the water fully clothed.

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**ON THE NET**

Go to [chronicleonline.com](http://chronicleonline.com) to see a video of an infant swimming survival lesson.



Lauren Hartman was able to recover from the dunking and roll over to float on her back safely. The 14-month-old child has taken several lessons to help her be safe around water.

# Board to hear land-use appeal

*Change would allow developer to proceed with building plans*

MIKE WRIGHT  
Chronicle

Plans for a 150-acre residential and commercial development south of Floral City go today before Citrus County commissioners.

Floral Villages would combine up to 210 homes with 100,000 square feet of commercial and of-

ice space on the west side of U.S. 41 at East

Roads Road. The developer is asking commissioners to change zoning in the comprehensive plan from agriculture and low-density residential

to a category known as rural activity center.

Commissioners will hear the request at a 6:45 p.m. public hearing. The board's regular meeting begins at 1 p.m. at the courthouse in Inverness.

Although not part of the project application, its answer to traffic on U.S. 41 is, in part, a proposed Floral City bypass that is part of the county's 2035 long-range transportation plan.

The bypass, proposed by attorney Clark Stillwell, would swing to the west of U.S. 41 south of Orange Avenue and connect back to U.S. 41 near Watson Street, just south of Inverness.

Stillwell, who represents the interests of developers, told commissioners the road would be necessary because Floral City residents oppose the widening of

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# Wooten offers to mediate dispute at historic school

MIKE WRIGHT  
Chronicle

While he was on the county commission, Josh Wooten often had to seek common ground among opposing sides.

As president and chief executive officer of the Citrus County Chamber of

Commerce, Wooten has worked to bring varying economic groups together for a common goal.

All that may be chicken feed compared to Wooten's next role.

Wooten has offered to mediate differences between the Hernando Heritage Council, nonprofit

groups that occupy space at the Historic Hernando School, and the county government that seeks to regain ownership of the controversial property.

Wooten pitched the offer to County Administrator Brad Thorpe, who

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BRIAN LaPETER/Chronicle

Businessman Josh Wooten offered to play host to the fireworks tent that benefits the Historic Hernando School's fundraising efforts.

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# Congress reaches tentative deal on debit cards

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Limits on the fees banks charge merchants who accept debit cards would not apply to government-issued cards, under a tentative House-Senate deal aimed at easing worries raised by state treasurers.

The agreement announced Monday softens a Senate provision in a broad financial regulation bill that requires the Federal Reserve to limit the amount banks collect from merchants for every debit card transaction.

Separately, House negotiators tentatively agreed to accept a Senate proposal to set up a consumer financial protection bureau as an in-

dependent agency inside the Federal Reserve. The House and the Obama administration had wanted a stand-alone agency.

The debit card provision, approved by the Senate last month 64-33, aimed to save retailers billions of dollars in debit card fees. Merchants said the charges resulted in inflated costs to consumers.

Under the tentative deal, the limits would not cover debit cards issued by the federal or state governments, which use the cards for programs such as unemployment or child support payments. Several state treasurers argued that restricting fees paid by merchants could force banks to increase charges for the

## AP-GfK poll: Public doubts new financial rules

WASHINGTON — Americans aren't convinced new Wall Street rules will prevent a future financial crisis.

An Associated Press-GfK Poll finds that 64 percent of those surveyed aren't confident that a financial regulation overhaul before Congress will avert another meltdown.

The legislation, now in its final stages, would force reg-

ulators to watch for financial threats, set up new consumer protections and police previously unregulated financial products.

The poll shows that Americans spread the blame for the last crisis widely: 8 in 10 blame banks for the crisis, while 7 in 10 blame the government. About 6 in 10 blame people who borrowed money that they couldn't af-

ford to repay, while less than a quarter blame President Barack Obama, who came into office after the meltdown.

Amid competing news, particularly the Gulf oil spill, only one-quarter of poll respondents said they were very closely or extremely closely following news about the Wall Street legislation.

—From wire reports

terCard. The bulk of the fees are imposed by banks.

The changes did not satisfy card issuers.

"Despite some improvements, this provision remains a terrible deal for consumers, for lower-income bank customers, for government benefits programs, and for community banks," said Edward Yingling, president and CEO of the American Bankers Association. "The harm is real consumers will see higher costs, basic banking accounts in low-income communities will either be eliminated or involve higher prices, and government programs will cost taxpayers more money, all for the purpose of increasing merchant profits."

## BOARD

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U.S. 41 through the narrow Orange Avenue intersection because of the potential loss of historic buildings and stately oak trees.

Commissioners agreed,

and placed the bypass in the long-range plan. However, there are no specific plans to build it or to fund it.

Residents who appeared at the Planning and Development Review Board meeting in May to speak about the Floral Villages plan said they had never heard of a bypass until that

day. Planning board members said the proposed development and bypass were not connected; they voted 5-0 to support the comprehensive-plan change.

Also on today's agenda: ■ The board has on its consent agenda awarding a \$15.7 million bid to DAB Constructors of Inglis for the next

phase of County Road 486 widening from Ottawa Avenue to just west of C.R. 491.

■ 3 p.m. public hearing to place on the November ballot a school district referendum regarding property taxes.

■ County Administrator Brad Thorpe is proposing a trial plan to allow people to walk dogs during certain

times in the morning and evening at Floral City Park and Central Ridge District Park. Thorpe suggests the trial run for six months before expanding to other county parks.

■ Commissioner Joe Meek is asking board members to sign a letter in support of funding for the

Three Sisters Spring property purchase that Meek would present to the Florida Communities Trust governing board, which meets Thursday in Tallahassee.

■ Board Chairman Gary Bartell will give an update from Wednesday's meeting of the Withlacoochee Regional Water Supply Authority.

## WATER

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The goal is that by the time they finish their lessons, the children will be able to survive an accident that they otherwise wouldn't have the ability to.

"When they go in they have the muscle memory to come back up and float, even if they're fully clothed, shoes on, everything. They will float," Dodge said.

Dodge said she became interested in becoming a certified infant swimming survival instructor when she wanted to take her child for lessons but couldn't find an instructor within a reasonable driving distance.

"Traditional swimming lessons normally teach a child to tread water. A lot of them teach water safety," which is different from drowning prevention, she said.

The program lasts from four to six weeks depending on how quickly the child learns. Lessons are five days a week and 10 minutes long. Parents are only allowed in the water with their children one day a week.

The lessons aren't always easy to watch, especially at the beginning.

"I always tell people, 'For the first three days, your child will cry. You're handing your child into a pool with a stranger and that stranger is taking them underwater,'" Dodge said. "The first few days are hard, but as soon as that child gets confident, then they're good to go. They instantly love the water and they swim."

One of Dodge's clients, Amy Hartman, recently had her 13-month-old daughter complete the program in three weeks.

"It's a little uncomfortable, but I just trust her im-

plicitly," said Hartman, of Beverly Hills. Hartman and her husband, who own a home with a swimming pool, wanted their daughter Lauren, now 14 months old, to have the skills necessary to survive if she ever got into the swimming pool on her own.

Hartman's nephew was 2 years old when he nearly drowned in her brother's swimming pool. The child had already been put to bed and his parents thought he was asleep.

"He was blue, face-down ... my brother did CPR on his little boy. He never actually got conscious (at home) because he'd hit his head. But my brother got him to breathe."

Her nephew survived the incident without any lasting health damage, but the family is more cautious than ever around swimming pools.

The incident prompted Hartman's sister-in-law to learn to teach swim lessons for children but even she was surprised when she learned about the drowning prevention classes.

"When she saw the videos she was blown away at what Lauren is able to do," Hartman said.

Children as young as 6 months old can learn the techniques but Dodge only recommends lessons for children who are already crawling. Dodge also said the program doesn't make children "drown proof."

"This is absolutely no substitute for adult supervision."

There are programs for children from 6 to 18 months old, 18 months to 3 years, and 3 years and up.

She also recommends a refresher lesson every month for children under the age of 2 because their height, weight and buoyancy change so quickly.

To learn more about the program, visit Dodge's website at [www.pediaquatics.com](http://www.pediaquatics.com).

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**Around  
THE STATE**

**Candidates' forum is tonight**

The Central Ridge Candidates' Forum, sponsored by the Concerned Women For Citrus County, a bipartisan educational group, The Beverly Hills Civic Association and the Citrus Springs Civic Association, will be tonight at the Citrus Springs Community Building at 1570 W. Citrus Springs Blvd.

This forum replaces the candidates' forum usually done in Beverly Hills. Candidates for federal, state and local governmental positions will explain to voters why they should be elected, and answer written questions from the audience.

The Citrus Springs Youth Group will man the kitchen, selling sodas, coffee and snacks. Doors open to the public at 6:30 p.m., with the forum beginning at 7 p.m.

For information, call Rosella Hale at 746-2545.

**TOO FAR to host general meeting**

Philip Rhinesmith, senior environmental scientist with the Southwest Florida Water Management District, will be the guest speaker at the TOO FAR general meeting at 7 p.m. Thursday at the East Citrus Community Center, on State Road 44, approximately 4 miles east of Inverness. Rhinesmith will talk about restoration and other projects. Questions will be taken.

TOO FAR is a grassroots organization dedicated to the best management and conservation of natural resources for present and future generations through public education and interaction with all entities charged with these responsibilities.

The meeting is open to the public. For more information, call 726-5004.

**FC Merchants Assoc. meeting rescheduled**

The Floral City Merchants Association meeting has been changed to 4 p.m. Sunday. It will be in the Heritage Council building. Members are encouraged to bring others who might be interested in joining.

**CR fireworks show slated for July 3**

Fireworks over King's Bay to start at approximately 9 p.m. Saturday, July 3. Note: the location has been changed from last year.

The public can see the fireworks from King's Bay Park, the bay and most restaurants on the river. The fireworks will not be visible from Hunters Spring Park or U.S. 19.

The Crystal River Special Events Foundation is sponsoring the fireworks show put on by Dragonworks of Homosassa.

Donations are still needed. For more information, call 795-2946. Make checks payable to: Crystal River Special Events Foundation — Fireworks and mail to Crystal River Special Events, P.O. Box 2410 Crystal River, FL 34423.

**Task Force seeks board member**

The Citrus County Task Force of the Citrus/Hernando Waterways Restoration Council, which was created in 2003 by the Legislature, is seeking applications for a board member who is an attorney.

The task force meets to take public input, receive presentations and discuss shoreline restoration, sediment removal, navigation, water quality, floating tussock removal and fish and wildlife habitat improvement for the waters of Citrus County.

Members of the task force are appointed by the Florida Senate president and required to submit an annual report to the Legislature. Members receive no compensation.

For more information, call Janet Oehmig in Sen. Charlie Dean's office, 860-5175.

— From staff reports

**Looking for a bite**



BRIAN LaPETER/Chronicle

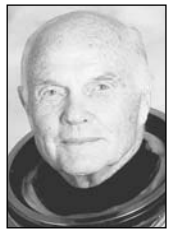
Guy Bowers, 14, standing, and his brother Jamarlon Bowers, 12, fish recently at the Crystal River Preserve State Park. The brothers came from Chiefland with their grandmother, Virginia Bowers, in search of some mullet, but unfortunately the fish were not biting.

**Glenn:  
Continue flying shuttles  
Ex-astronaut:  
Replacements are needed**

Associated Press

CAPE CANAVERAL — Mercury astronaut John Glenn wants NASA's space shuttles to keep flying until a reliable replacement is ready, no matter how long it takes.

Glenn joined the national debate Monday over America's future in space and became the latest ex-astronaut to speak out on the matter. He issued a nine-page statement in which he questioned the decision to retire the shuttle fleet and rely on Russia to take astronauts to the space station.



**John Glenn** was first American to orbit Earth.

"We have a vehicle here, why throw it away? It's working well," the first American to orbit Earth said.

Glenn said he's against paying the Russians \$55.8 million per person to fly U.S. astronauts to the space station and back. That's the price for a single ticket starting in 2013; right now, it's costing NASA \$26.3 million and will jump to \$51 million next year.

Glenn doesn't believe the general public realizes what's happening on the space front.

"Going to Russia and being, in effect, under control of Russia for our space program just doesn't sit right with me and I don't think it sits well with the American people, or won't, either," said Glenn, a former U.S. senator who rode the shuttle into orbit in 1998 at age 77. He turns 89 next month.

Glenn said little if any money will be saved by canceling the shuttle program, considering all the millions of dollars going to Russia for rocket rides. At least two shuttle flights a year could keep the station going and the work force employed, until something new comes along, he said.

The former astronaut wonders what will happen if there's an accident and Soyuz rockets are grounded. He supposes the space station — a \$100 billion investment — would have to be abandoned. He also worries scientific research at the station will take a hit if experiments have to be launched from Russia and have no way of getting back to Earth in bulk.

President George W. Bush made the decision to retire the shuttles and retarget the moon in the wake of the Columbia tragedy. President Barack Obama is holding on to the shuttle shutdown, while killing the moon effort.

Two shuttle missions remain on the official lineup; the second almost certainly will be delayed into next year.

Glenn said he waited to go public because he thought "people would see the wisdom" of keeping the shuttle going.

**Spill volunteers looking for way to help**

Associated Press

GULF BREEZE — Debbie Gunnoe wanted to work as a volunteer cleaning tar balls and oil from the sugar white beaches of Florida Panhandle that she loves so much, but she's been rebuffed.

BP PLC has turned away Gunnoe and other would-be volunteers because the oil giant is using only paid and trained workers to clean up the mess caused by its oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico.

Instead, the retired Air Force lieutenant colonel and nearly 70 other like-minded citizens are helping in a less direct way as visitor information volunteers at the Gulf Islands National Seashore. They are being stationed at various National Seashore areas to answer visitors' questions, report sightings of tar balls, oil or oil-soaked wildlife and offer safety tips — the oil is classified as a hazardous material.

"I'm quite concerned about our way of life and I'm frustrated with what's going on," said Gunnoe, 55, of nearby Navarre. "It's the first opportunity I've heard where the people who live in the area can actually get out and do something and make a difference."

Gunnoe is among 48 people who signed up after a pair of training sessions Sunday at the National Seashore's headquarters in this Pensacola suburb. They



Associated Press

**National Park Service visitor information volunteer Tony Mitkevicious, 62, a retired civil service worker from Pensacola, stands on Opal Beach, part of the Gulf Islands National Seashore headquartered at Gulf Breeze. Mitkevicious said he walked the beach before the BP crew got there and didn't see anything. He is one of nearly 70 people who have volunteered to offer safety tips about the spill, answer visitors' questions and report sightings of tar balls, oil or oil-soaked wildlife.**

will join 20 others previously trained, including Tony Mitkevicious, 62, a retired civil service worker from Pensacola.

"It's beautiful out here," Mitkevicious said Monday at the National Seashore's Opal Beach area. "I see dolphins every day out in the gulf, sting rays, a lot of fish. I meet a lot of people from all over and they're really nice."

As Mitkevicious spoke, a BP cleanup crew began looking for oil and tar balls, but he doubted they'd find any. He said he already had walked the beach and didn't see anything.

Each volunteer is committed to spending at least one three-hour shift each week for three months at beaches on a pair of barrier islands or the Seashore's campground.

The volunteers also can serve as a sounding board for visitors who are frustrated or angry about the spill and keep them from distracting BP cleanup crews, Shedlowski said. She told them, though, that they must keep their opinions to themselves.

Finally, the program is a response to the pent up frustration that Gunnoe and others have experienced about being shut out of the recovery effort.

"This is giving them an outlet, for them to feel like they are doing something, talking to the public, which is very important," said Sarah Codde, another ranger on temporary duty from Point Reyes National Seashore, Calif.

Pat Schlueter, 64, a mechanical engineer who retired to Navarre from Indianapolis, tried to volunteer with a local wildlife refuge, offering to help clean up birds and other creatures, but said he ran into a Catch 22.

"You've got to be licensed," Schlueter said. "You have to be experienced to be licensed, but you have to have a license to get experience."

He also took hazmat training for people seeking BP cleanup jobs in hopes that he could, instead, volunteer for that work. Again he was rebuffed, but he doesn't want to take a paid job he doesn't need.

"The pay is good and there are a lot of people out of work who can really use it," he said.

Gunnoe said she's still frustrated she can't do more to protect what she considers her home.

"What are they going to do if I show up with a scooper and plastic bags or a bucket to put this in?" she asked. "They need to deal with people like me and not turn us away."

**State BRIEFS**

**2 dead, 2 injured in Sumter Co. crash**

WEBSTER — Two people have died and two others are seriously injured after a crash in central Florida.

The Florida Highway Patrol says 23-year-old Kodi Chamberlain and 45-year-old Roger Higby were driving southbound on State Road 471 in Sumter County when they veered into the west shoulder of the roadway.

Investigators say the 2000 Jeep then went back onto the roadway and into

the path of another vehicle.

Chamberlain and Higby were both ejected from their sport utility vehicle and pronounced dead at the scene.

Two people in the second vehicle, 73-year-old Floyd Sloan and 70-year-old Caren Sloan, were taken to Lakeland Regional Medical Center in serious condition.

**Authorities investigate death of 2 children**

JACKSONVILLE — State child welfare officials are investigating after two

Jacksonville children died from possible drowning over the weekend in a neighbor's pool.

Authorities are trying to determine if anyone was baby sitting them. They also want to know how the 3-year-old and 6-year-old left their home and got into the pool.

The siblings were pulled from the pool by the homeowner shortly after 10 p.m. Saturday and were taken to hospitals, where they were pronounced dead.

No charges have been filed yet.

**Coast Guard rescues 15 people aboard 2 boats**

ST. PETERSBURG — The Coast Guard rescued 15 people stranded aboard two boats along Florida's Gulf coast. No one was injured.

The Coast Guard received a distress call Sunday night saying that two boats were stranded near Three Rookers Bar.

One boat and its eight passengers were escorted to shore. Meanwhile, seven passengers on the other boat were rescued.

— From wire reports

For the RECORD

Citrus County Sheriff's Office

DUI arrests

Marcos Jose Toro, 31, of 1162 N.E. First St., Crystal River, at 3:19 a.m. Saturday, on a misdemeanor charge of driving under the influence with damage to property...

Eric Robert McClellan, 26, of 11554 E. Laurel Court, Floral City, at 2 a.m. Sunday, on a misdemeanor charge of driving under the influence. Breath test results were 0.155 percent and 0.157 percent. Florida law presumes impairment at 0.08 percent. Bond \$1,000.

Domestic battery arrests

Elizabeth Ann Stanton, 26, of 2499 W. Camel Lane, Lecanto, at 6:09 p.m. Thursday, on a misdemeanor charge of domestic battery in reference to a verbal and physical altercation, during which a 42-year-old man was pushed to the ground...

Rupert D. Northcut, 46, of Inverness, at 12:01 a.m. Friday, on a misdemeanor charge of domestic battery in reference to a bowl of hot stir-fry food being thrown over a 47-year-old woman who was lying in bed. No bond.

Louis C. Palange, 39, of Homosassa, at 1:35 a.m. Friday, on a misdemeanor charge of domestic battery in reference to a 42-year-old woman being pulled from a vehicle outside a pub. No bond.

Daniel Wilson Drawdy, 53, of Inverness, at 6:08 p.m. Friday, on misdemeanor charges of domestic battery and criminal mischief valued at \$200 or less in damages in reference to a 48-year-old woman being struck in the head by a full can of beer and a bedroom door frame being kicked in. Bond for the criminal mischief charge was \$250; however, no bond was set for the domestic violence charge.

Gary Allen Lay, 56, of Crystal River, at 6:10 p.m. Friday, on a charge

ON THE NET

For more information about arrests made by the Citrus County Sheriff's Office, go to www.sheriffcitrus.org and click on the Public Information link, then on Arrest Reports.

Watch "Arrested Developments" show from the Citrus County Sheriff's Office at www.chronicleonline.tv.

For the Record reports are also archived online at www.chronicleonline.com.

of felony domestic violence in reference to continual altercations with a 64-year-old woman who told the deputy she had been trying to get an injunction. No bond.

Angelo Mario Magliulo, 23, of Hernando at 11:15 p.m. Friday, on a misdemeanor charge of domestic battery in reference to a 24-year-old woman being slapped in the face. No bond.

Other arrests

Lawrence Edward Roddenberry, 34, of 8022 W. Baja Court, Crystal River, at 4:06 a.m. Saturday, on an active Citrus County warrant for failure to appear in reference to an original misdemeanor charge of possession of drug paraphernalia. Bond \$4,500.

Jamey F. Laramee, 34, of 2645 W. Patterson Court, Homosassa, at 5:42 p.m. Saturday, on a felony charge of possession of two grams of crack cocaine, driving while his license was suspended as a habitual traffic offender and driving without motor vehicle registration. Bond \$7,250.

Derrick A. Atkins, 23, of 30 N. Desoto St., Beverly Hills, at 8:39 p.m. Saturday, on a felony charge of possession of cocaine and on an active Citrus County warrant for a misdemeanor charge of affray. Bond \$5,500.

Lacey L. Floyd, 25, of 3160 W. Ocala St., Lecanto, at 9:02 p.m. Saturday, on a misdemeanor charge of battery. Bond \$500.

Abel Salazar Guerra, 49, of 1200 N. Springfield St., Perry, at 11:20 p.m. Saturday, on a felony charge of possession of more than 10 grams of marijuana. Bond \$5,000.

Timothy Michael Snodgrass, 22, of 10150 Oak Drive, Hudson, at 1:59 a.m. Sunday, on felony charges of possession of more than 20 grams of marijuana and oxycodone and Xanax pills, and a misdemeanor charge of possession of drug paraphernalia. Bond \$10,500.

Joshua James Nix, 21, of Homosassa, at 9:06 p.m. Friday, on a felony charge of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon, in reference to a verbal and physical altercation with a 20-year-old man, during which Nix was reported to have grabbed a kitchen knife. No bond.

Benjamin J. Atkinson, 33, of 2526 Bremen Court, Jacksonville, at 12:16 p.m. Sunday, on an active Citrus County warrant in reference to a felony charge of scheming to defraud involving property worth less than \$20,000. Bond \$2,000.

Elisheba M. Stollard, 43, of 3496 E. Ventura Village Circle, Hernando, at 3:50 a.m. Sunday, on a misdemeanor charge of knowingly driving while license revoked. Bond \$500.

Cherie Monica Compostella, 38, of 6506 E. Grayson St., Inverness, at 5:56 p.m. Sunday, on a misdemeanor charge of petit theft (shoplifting). Compostella was issued a notice-to-appear citation and released on her own recognizance.

William Franklin Welsch III, 20, of 6661 W. Arter St., Crystal River, at 3 p.m. Sunday, on a misdemeanor charge of possession of alcohol by a person younger than 21. Welsch was issued a notice-to-appear citation.

Cheryl Lynn Stokes, 40, of 4284 E. Trapper Terrace, Hernando, at 10:02 p.m. Sunday, on an active Citrus County warrant for retail petit theft. Bond \$250.

Lauren Delong Dover, 51, of 3230 S.W. Archer Road, Gainesville, at 12:33 p.m. Monday, on an active Citrus County warrant for three counts of obtaining property by means of worthless checks. Bond \$450.

James C. Reed, 27, of 5561 W. State St., Homosassa, at 1:08 p.m. Monday, on an active Citrus County warrant for violation of probation in reference to a felony charge of second conviction of driving while license suspended. No bond.

SCHOOL

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embraced the idea.

"The more the merrier," Thorpe said.

Wooten served four years on the county commission. He lives in Citrus Hills but has owned Wooten's Autocorp Inc. in Hernando since 1991.

"I have friends on both sides of the issue," Wooten said. "As a former county commissioner I know what's at stake for the county. I'm a life member of the Heritage Council, so I know what their goals are."

The months-long dispute over control of the property is in limbo since commissioners determined the Citrus County School Board still owns the property because certain conditions of occupancy were not met as part of an ownership agreement between the school board and county government.

The heritage council, a committee of the Citrus County Historical Society, maintains it has a lease to oversee the grounds and collect rent. Nonprofit groups, particularly the Family Resource Center and the Friends of the Citrus County Libraries Inc., say heritage council directors are abusing that authority.

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Thorpe said Monday that he is waiting for incoming county attorney Richard Wesch to meet with school board attorney Wes Bradshaw to iron out a proposed ownership transition between the school district and county commission.

In the meantime, he has told both sides in the dispute that it's business as usual — but no changes either.

That included the historical so-

ciety's attempts to place a fireworks tent in the parking lot, as it did prior to New Year's Day and last year's July Fourth holiday.

Thorpe said he received e-mails from Ginger West, director of the Family Resource Center, and Lynne Boele, president of the Friends of the Library, complaining that the fireworks tent was taking up most of the available parking.

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Thorpe learned that the company, One-Stop Fireworks, received a temporary building permit and that it had an agreement with the Citrus County Historical Society to use the property.

With property ownership technically with the school district, Thorpe said he rescinded the permit.

Wooten said the fireworks vendor asked if she could place the tent on his dealership property, caty-corner from the school. Wooten said he agreed, allowing rent to still benefit the historic school fundraising efforts minus 25 percent to cover the cost of electricity.

As for his mediation efforts, Wooten said he can work well both with West and Kandice Bellamy McPherson, president of the Hernando Heritage Council.

"I have great deal of respect for both sides of the issue," Wooten said. "I have a very good rapport with both Ginger and Kandice. I equally hold them in high regard."

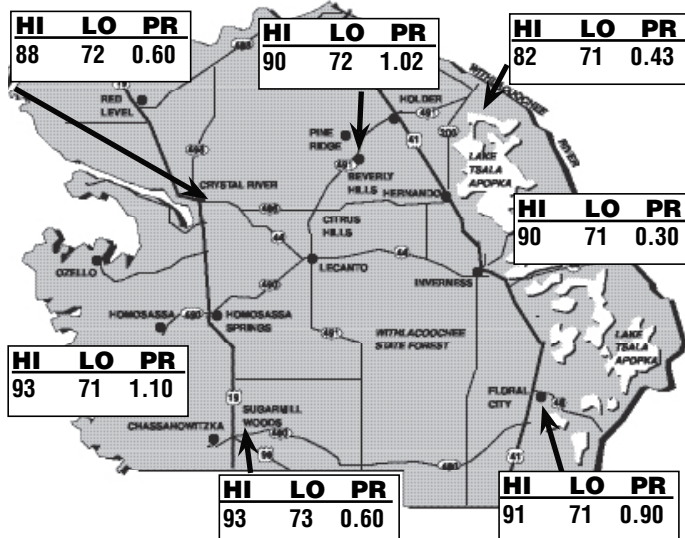
Wooten said, however, he will not initiate a meeting.

"It's up to them to set something up," he said. "All parties have to be involved in any mediation. In the end, the taxpayers own the building and the county needs to be at the table, too."

He said his offer is not connected with the chamber of commerce.

"This is me as Joe Q. Citizen," Wooten said. "This is me trying to sit in a room with longtime friends and as a stakeholder in Hernando."

YESTERDAY'S WEATHER



FLORIDA TEMPERATURES

Table with columns: City, H, L, F'cast, City, H, L, F'cast. Lists temperatures for cities like Daytona Bch, Ft. Lauderdale, Miami, Ocala, Orlando, etc.

MARINE OUTLOOK

East winds around 10 knots. Seas 2 to 3 feet. Bay and inland waters will have a light chop. Partly cloudy with scattered showers and thunderstorms today.

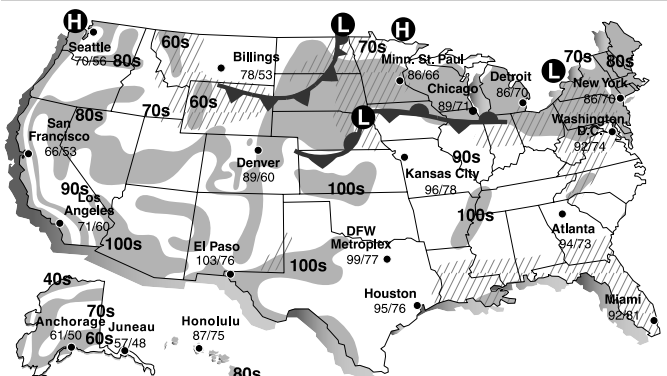
Gulf water temperature

87° Taken at Aripeka

LAKE LEVELS

Table with columns: Location, Sun., Mon., Full. Lists lake levels for Withlacoochee at Holder, Tsala Apopka-Hernando, etc.

THE NATION



FORECAST FOR 3:00 P.M. TUESDAY

Large table with columns: City, Monday H L Pcp. Fcst H L, Tuesday H L Pcp. Fcst H L. Lists forecasts for cities like Albany, Albuquerque, Atlanta, etc.

YESTERDAY'S NATIONAL HIGH & LOW

HIGH 108 Mesa, Ariz. LOW 26 Bryce Canyon, Utah

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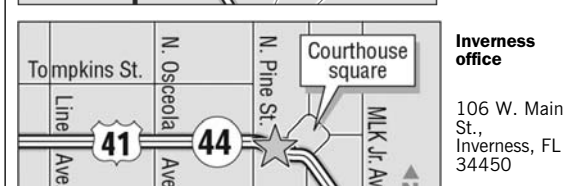
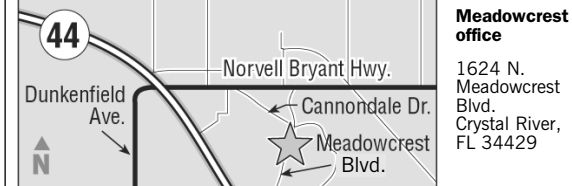
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THREE DAY OUTLOOK

Exclusive daily forecast by: Bay News 9. TODAY & TOMORROW MORNING High: 90 Low: 75 Mostly cloudy, scattered t-storms and showers after 2 pm. 30% chance of rain.

WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY MORNING High: 90 Low: 75 30% chance of afternoon thunderstorms dying down by 8 pm. East wind between 4-8 mph.

THURSDAY & FRIDAY MORNING High: 90 Low: 76 Partly cloudy with a 30% chance of showers and thunderstorms.

ALMANAC

Table with columns: TEMPERATURE\*, DEW POINT, HUMIDITY, POLLEN COUNT\*\*, AIR QUALITY. Lists weather statistics for Monday at 3 p.m.

SOLAR TABLES

Table with columns: DATE DAY, MINOR MAJOR (MORNING), MINOR MAJOR (AFTERNOON). Lists sunrise and sunset times for 6/22 and 6/23.

CELESTIAL OUTLOOK

Table with columns: SUNSET TONIGHT, SUNRISE TOMORROW, MOONRISE TODAY, MOONSET TODAY. Lists celestial event times.

BURN CONDITIONS

Today's Fire Danger Rating is: MODERATE. There is no burn ban. For more information call Florida Division of Forestry at (352) 754-6777.

WATERING RULES

The current lawn watering restriction for the unincorporated areas of Citrus County allow residents to water once a week. For county, Crystal River and Inverness residents, addresses ending in 0 or 1, or A through E can water Mondays...

TIDES

Table with columns: City, High/Low, Tuesday, Wednesday. Lists tide times for locations like Chassahowitzka, Crystal River, etc.

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**Nation BRIEFS**

**Wyo. authorities search for owners of urn**

ROCK SPRINGS, Wyo. — Authorities in southwestern Wyoming are looking for the owners of an urn found in a parking lot. The Sweetwater County sheriff's office says the urn was found near the Walmart in Rock Springs on Wednesday and turned in by a traveler. The city is located off Interstate 80. Sheriff's spokesman Dick Blust says the urn lists a name and the year the person was born and died — 1947 and 2009. Public records show there were four people with that name and lifespan. The sheriff's office is contacting public records offices in the states where they lived — Michigan, Florida, Kentucky and Illinois.

**Craftsmen restoring presidential yacht**

RIVIERA BEACH, Fla. — Craftsmen in South Florida are working to restore a former presidential yacht that was beloved by President John F. Kennedy. The Honey Fitz served five United States presidents and measures 93 feet. Craftsmen are trying to realign the hull and replace much of the underside. James Moores, whose crew is working on the repairs at his Riviera Beach shop, says they are using strategies that hadn't been developed when the yacht was built in 1931. Kennedy and his family enjoyed spending time on the yacht's deck. He renamed the boat after his grandfather, who was known to many as "Honey Fitz." —From wire reports

**Investigators probing flow of U.S. money to insurgents**

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Criminal investigators are examining allegations that Afghan security firms have been extorting as much as \$4 million a week from contractors paid with U.S. tax dollars and then funneling the spoils to warlords and the Taliban. If the allegations are true, the U.S. would be unintentionally financing the enemy and undermining international efforts to stabilize the country. The payments reportedly end up in insurgent hands through a \$2.1 billion Pentagon contract to transport food, water, fuel and ammunition to American troops stationed at bases across Afghanistan. To ensure safe passage through dangerous areas, the truck-

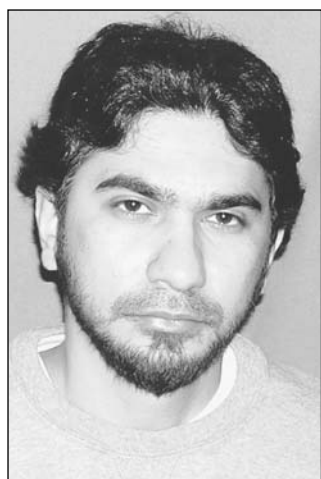
ing companies make payments to local security firms with ties to the Taliban or warlords who control the roads. If the payments aren't made, the convoys will be attacked, according to a U.S. military document detailing the allegations being examined by investigators. Chris Grey, a spokesman for the Army Criminal Investigation Command at Fort Belvoir, Va., confirmed Monday that the inquiry is under way. But he said he would not provide details in order "to protect the integrity of the ongoing case." One of the security firms under scrutiny is Watan Risk Management, one of the largest security providers in Afghanistan. Watan representatives allegedly negotiate or dictate

the price for security in a given area, according to the document, and also issue warnings to trucking companies that are late in paying or refuse to do so. A congressional subcommittee chaired by Rep. John Tierney, D-Mass., has also been investigating the extortion allegations and is holding a hearing today on its findings. In a statement previewing the hearing, Tierney said the trucking contract is a critical component of the effort to keep more than 200 U.S. military combat outposts throughout the country stocked. Supplies are typically shipped through Pakistan to Bagram Airfield, the U.S. military's main hub in Afghanistan, and then on to the outlying bases.

**SUSPECT**

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He revealed that he actually packed his vehicle with three separate bombs, hoping to set off a fertilizer-fueled bomb packed in a gun cabinet, a set of propane tanks and gas canisters rigged with fireworks to explode into a fireball.



Associated Press

**Faisal Shahzad is seen in an undated photo originally released by the U.S. Marshal's Service. The U.S. Justice Department announced Thursday that Shahzad, 30, has been indicted by a federal grand jury in New York on charges related to the failed May 1 car bombing in New York City's Times Square.**

ruary. The indictment said he received \$5,000 in cash on Feb. 25 from a co-conspirator in Pakistan and \$7,000 more on April 10, allegedly sent at the co-conspirator's direction. Shahzad, born in Pakistan, moved to the United States when he was 18. Pakistan has arrested at least 11 people since the attempted attack. An intelligence official has alleged two of them played a role in the plot. No one has been charged. Three men in Massachusetts and Maine suspected of supplying money to Shahzad have been detained on immigration charges; one was recently transferred to New York. Federal authorities have said they believe money was channeled through an underground money transfer network known as "hawala," but they have said they doubt anyone in the U.S. who provided money knew what it was for.

Shahzad said he expected the bombs to begin going off after he lighted a fuse and waited between 2 1/2 minutes and five minutes for them to erupt. "I was waiting to hear a sound but I didn't hear a sound. So I walked to Grand Central and went home," he said.

Shahzad dismissed the judge's question about the children by saying the U.S. didn't care when children were killed in Muslim countries.

"It's a war. I am part of the answer to the U.S. terrorizing the Muslim nations and the Muslim people," he said. "On behalf of that, I'm revenging the attack. Living in the United States, Americans only care about their people but they don't care about the people elsewhere in the world when they die."

Shahzad made the plea and an accompanying statement as Cedarbaum began asking him a lengthy series of questions to ensure he understood his rights.

Cedarbaum asked Shahzad if he understood some charges carried mandatory life sentences and that he might spend the rest of his life in prison. He said he did.

At one point, she asked him if he was sure he wanted to plead guilty.

He said he wanted "to plead guilty and 100 times more" to let the U.S. know that if it did not get out of Iraq and Afghanistan, halt drone attacks and stop meddling in Muslim lands, "we will be attacking U.S."

Sentencing was scheduled for Oct. 5.

The Bridgeport, Conn., resident was arrested trying to leave the country May 3, two days after the bomb failed to ignite near a Broadway theater.

Authorities said Shahzad immediately cooperated, delaying his initial court appearance for two weeks as he spilled details of a plot meant to sow terror in the world-famous Times Square on a warm Saturday night when it was packed with thousands of potential victims.

The bomb apparently sputtered, emitting smoke that attracted the attention of an alert street vendor, who notified police, setting in motion a rapid evacuation of blocks of a city still healing from the shock of the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attack on the World Trade Center.

According to the indictment issued last week, Shahzad received a total of \$12,000 prior to the attack from the Pakistani Taliban through cash drop-offs in Massachusetts and Long Island.

Attorney General Eric Holder said the Pakistani Taliban "facilitated Faisal Shahzad's attempted attack on American soil."

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Associated Press

Laura Mentch, 57, of Bozeman, Mont., is shown with her daily treatments for cystic fibrosis, which include inhaled medications and a chest-vibrating vest to clear airway clogs. More CF patients are surviving to middle age and beyond, and Mentch is part of a special subset — people not even diagnosed until later in life.

# Report: Cystic fibrosis patients live longer, study

## Some diagnosed as adults

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Doctors always said allergies and asthma were behind Laura Mentch's repeated lung and sinus infections. Only when she turned 50 did she discover the real culprit — a disease notorious for destroying children's lungs.

Mentch is part of the gradual graying of cystic fibrosis: More and more patients are surviving into adulthood, some even to middle age and beyond.

Now, researchers are taking a close look at the first group to make it past age 40 with this incurable genetic disease, as a much-needed guide for patients and doctors on what to expect.

And they're finding CF is even more complicated than thought. Consider Mentch: The Bozeman, Mont., woman is part of a small but growing subset of patients not diagnosed until adulthood — patients long assumed merely to have a mild version of the disease that, in its classic form, can quickly attack lungs.

Not so, contends Dr. Jerry Nick of National Jewish Health in Denver, home of one of the largest adult CF treatment centers. He studied how more than 3,000 long-term survivors fared, both at his center and using data from patients included in the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation's national registry over 15 years. He found that once their disease revs up, those diagnosed as adults can deteriorate as quickly as those diagnosed younger.

"It's not really mild CF, it's delayed CF," says Nick, whose study was published last month in the American Journal of Respiratory and Critical Care Medicine.

If so, his findings may have ramifications for babies as well. How? In recent years, every state has begun screening newborns for cystic fibrosis, so that patients can start life-extending treatment before that first infection ever hits.

But doctors are having trouble determining if a fraction of those babies really will develop CF or not, because they harbor less common genetic mutations than the classic type linked to early, severe disease.

"We're struggling with this," says Dr. Bruce Marshall of the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, which issued guidelines in December recommending such children be closely monitored for signs of disease as they grow. "At this point, we really don't know exactly what to do with these folks."

Those less common mutations are the same ones Nick says he's seeing in people, like Mentch, whose

CF wasn't diagnosed until adulthood.

"This says you shouldn't dismiss it" in the babies with those ambiguous test results, Nick cautions. "This is not the classic CF of 30 years ago."

About 30,000 Americans, and 70,000 people worldwide, are living with cystic fibrosis, caused by inheriting a flawed CF gene from each parent. The disease causes a sticky mucus to build up in the lungs, clogging them and leading to life-threatening infections. It also clogs the pancreas so the body can't properly digest food.

Only a few decades ago, children with CF seldom survived elementary school. Today, thanks to earlier diagnosis and improved treatments, 47 percent reach 18 or older. Most of the 400 deaths a year are among teenagers and young adults, according to the CF Foundation's registry.

So far, just over 5 percent of patients in the registry have made it beyond age 40 — although Nick's study suggests some who seek care outside that network aren't counted — and babies diagnosed today are expected to live into their 50s.

Beyond the adult-diagnosed phenomenon, Nick found patients who'd battled CF since childhood and bear the highest-risk gene type survived, too, showing there's still lots to learn about factors that play a role. While the adult-diagnosed of course lived the longest, anyone who made it to 40 had a good chance of surviving another decade.

Nick's main message: Proper care during adulthood fights the lung damage. Yet regardless of when they were diagnosed, Nick found, fewer than half of long-term survivors are treated at the nation's specially designated CF centers once they pass 40 — while those who do fare better.

Mentch's lung function greatly improved after the right diagnosis got her the right treatment, ending regular bouts of bronchitis she'd experienced since her teens.

"It's not OK to have bronchitis twice a year and think it's normal, but that's ... how I walked through life," says Mentch, now 57, who was diagnosed only when a doctor tested her sputum and found a type of *Pseudomonas* bacterium trapped in her lungs, a red flag for CF.

Now Mentch travels to the Denver CF clinic four times a year to stay on top of her care, which includes inhaled medications and a chest-vibrating vest to clear airway clogs. As the disease progresses, she says, "I have a huge responsibility to take care of myself."



## Ogden Breckenridge, 83

INVERNESS

Less than five hours before we were to honor our Earthly Fathers, Ogden Lee Breckenridge, World War II Naval Veteran, of Inverness, went to be with his Heavenly Father, Savior and Lord and to reunite with Isabel, his beloved wife of 48 years.

Just 13 days prior, he celebrated his 83rd birthday with his three daughters: Charlene B. Johnson, Jo Ann Breckenridge and Bette B. McKee and his son-in-law, Douglas McKee. He also leaves three grandchildren: Ray Chancey of Auburndale, FL; Rebecca Totman of Los Angeles, CA; and Jessica Totman of Denver, CO. Many friends and church family members throughout Florida will miss him.

Ogden led many men through life training — as a lineman for Florida Power Corporation, a deacon in the First Baptist Church of Inverness and Kiwanis Club. No matter the city where he lived — Eustis, Zephyrhills, Avon Park or Inverness, he was involved in community and church activities.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to the American Cancer Society in Ogden's name. A Celebration of Life will be announced later to be held at the First Baptist Church in Inverness, Florida. The Inverness Chapel of Hooper Funeral Homes is in charge of arrangements. Online condolences may be sent to the family at [www.HooperFuneralHome.com](http://www.HooperFuneralHome.com).



## Paul Fouts Jr., 90

BEVERLY HILLS

Mr. Paul W. Fouts Jr., 90, of Beverly Hills, Fla., died Sunday, June 20, 2010, in Inverness, Fla. Arrangements are under the direction of the Beverly Hills Chapel of Hooper Funeral Home & Crematory.

## Mildred Hucker, 77

Mildred Lillian Dodd Hucker, 77, passed away on June 16, 2010.

She is survived by beloved husband William M. Hucker, two children, one stepdaughter, three grandchildren, one step-granddaughter and eight great grandchildren.

Memorial service on Aug. 14 at First Presbyterian Church, Succasunna, NJ. Fero Funeral Home, Beverly Hills, FL.

Sign the guest book at [www.chronicleonline.com](http://www.chronicleonline.com).

## Dorothy Hume, 80

HERNANDO

The Service of Remembrance for Mrs. Dorothy C. Hume, age 80, of Hernando, Florida, will be held at 11:30 a.m., Thursday, June 24, 2010, at the Beverly Hills Chapel of Hooper Funeral Homes. Interment will follow at Florida National Cemetery, Bushnell, Florida. The family will receive friends from 10:30 a.m. until the time of service, Thursday at the Beverly Hills Chapel. Contributions in her memory are suggested to: Hospice of the Comforter, Inc. 605 Montgomery Road, Altamonte Springs, FL 32714. Online condolences may be sent to

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## Obituaries

the family at [www.HooperFuneralHome.com](http://www.HooperFuneralHome.com).

She was born February 28, 1930, in Lynn, MA, daughter of the late Charles and Dorothy (Neumeier) Ryan. She died Saturday, June 19, 2010, in Oviedo, FL, after a long illness. She moved to Florida in 1974 from Lynn, MA, after the death of her husband, Dr. William T. Mullen, a prominent dentist in Lynn. Later, she married Brigadier General Albert G. Hume, USA (ret.), who preceded her in death several years ago. Mrs. Hume was an avid golfer and maintained her membership at Citrus Hills Golf Club, where she was active in several organizations until a few years ago.

Survivors include one daughter, Janet Underwood, of Oviedo, FL; five sons, Robert Mullen, Salem MA; Paul Mullen, Delray Beach, FL; Lawrence Mullen, Largo, FL; Kevin Mullen, Hernando; Steven Hume, New Port Richey, FL; and 8 grandchildren. Mrs. Hume was preceded in death by her four brothers, Attorney Charles Ryan, Windsor, CT; Robert Ryan, Hernando, FL; Lawrence Ryan, Wolfeboro, NH and Ronald Ryan, Alvarado, TX.

## Kenneth Jones, 80

INVERNESS

Kenneth Alan Jones was born September 11, 1929, and passed away on June 10, 2010, in his Inverness home.

Kenneth started life in the St. Johnland Orphanage in Kings Park, L.I., New York.

Upon Graduating from high school, he joined the Air Force and lived most of his life in NYC and Virginia, retiring to Inverness, Florida. He retired as the Hampton/NASA Steam Plant Maintenance Supervisor.

He is survived by his "adopted" family — Rafael, Diane, Christopher de Echeandia and Lauren Perley, Marina, Agustin Echeandia, Soraya Antle and Zaida McClure.

Kenneth was interred in the Bushnell Veterans Cemetery at 1:00 p.m. on Monday June 21, 2010.

Sign the guest book at [www.chronicleonline.com](http://www.chronicleonline.com).

## Mildred Morris, 90

LECANTO

Mrs. Mildred E. Morris, 90, of Lecanto, Fla., died Sunday, June 20, 2010, in Lecanto, Fla. Arrangements are under the direction of the Beverly Hills Chapel of Hooper Funeral Home & Crematory.

## Sylvia Mull, 72

INVERNESS

Sylvia Frantsen Mull, 72, of Inverness, passed away suddenly on June 16, 2010,

at Shands at UF. Mrs. Mull was born in Brooklyn, NY, and moved to Inverness 6



Sylvia Mull

1/2 years ago from Miami. She was a member of VFW Post 4337, Eagles, IR-RU, and M o s e Lodge. She enjoyed playing Bingo, watching NASCAR, and spending time with family and friends.

She is survived by her husband of 25 years, Glenn A. Mull; daughters, Mindy L. Gibson (George), Debra L. Gavellas (Ted), all of Inverness, Elisa D. DuVall (Keith) of Gainesville; stepdaughter, Teresa Putnam of Inverness; sister, Anita Jacobs of Sunrise; 8 grandchildren; and 4 great-grandchildren.

A Memorial Service will be held on Saturday, July 10, 2010, at VFW Post 4337, 906 HWY 44 East, Inverness, FL, at 1:00 p.m.

Arrangements are under the care of Forest Meadows Funeral Home. Please sign the guestbook at [www.forestmeadowssf.com](http://www.forestmeadowssf.com).



## Joseph Navarro, 88

LECANTO

Joseph C. Navarro, 88, of Lecanto, Florida, died on Saturday, June 19, 2010. He was born in Altus, Oklahoma, on Friday, March 10, 1922, to Juan and Bartola (Contreras) Navarro. Mr. Navarro retired after 25 years as a bottler for a brewing company in Chicago, Illinois. He was on the executive board for the beer bottlers union local #248 and the joint executive boards for locals #18, #121 and #248. He moved to this area 20 years ago from Romeoville, Illinois.

Joseph served in the South Pacific with the U.S. Army and was of the Catholic faith. He enjoyed camping, fishing and traveling.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Ida Navarro, on March 14, 2010.

Survivors include his sons, Joseph Navarro Jr. and Richard Navarro and wife Vicki, all of Las Vegas, Nevada, and Raymond Navarro and wife Joanne of Joilet, Illinois; daughters, Dolores Moyer and husband Edward of Beverly Hills, Florida, Emily Navarro of Arvada, Colorado, and Judy Cassidy of Ashtabula, Ohio; brother, John Navarro of Tinley Park, Illinois; sisters, Tillie Neerose and Teresa Galvin, both of Chicago, Illinois, and Lupe Torres and husband Frank of Cresthill, Illinois; 13 grandchildren; 15 great grandchildren; and 4 great-grandchildren.

Visitation will take place on Wednesday, June 23, 2010, from 11:00 a.m. to noon with a chapel service following at Fero Funeral Home. Interment service 2:00 p.m. at Florida National Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to HPH Hospice, 3545 N. Lecanto Highway, Beverly Hills, FL 34465.

Arrangements entrusted to Fero Funeral Home [www.ferofuneralhome.com](http://www.ferofuneralhome.com)

## Lillian Smith, 73

HERNANDO

Lillian Ann Smith, 73, of Hernando, FL, died June 18, 2010, at the Hospice Care Unit at Citrus Memorial Hospital. Born June 20, 1936, Lillian is the daughter of the late William and Lillian Lubeck, North Plainfield, NJ. She was a teacher's aide for Manasquan Elementary School for 21 years. She and her husband retired to Citrus Hills in 2003. Her favorite things in life were her family and friends and the joy she received in loving and caring for them.

Lillian is survived by William H. Smith Sr., her husband of 53 years; her children, William and his wife Colleen, Manasquan, NJ, Donna and her husband Lenny, Manasquan, NJ, and Thomas and his wife Susan, Inverness, FL; brothers, William Lubeck and his late wife Beverly, Jupiter, FL, the late Richard Lubeck and his wife Cynthia, Watchung, NJ, and Charles and Carol Lubeck, Manasquan, NJ; and ten grandchildren: Maggie, Chip, Courtney, Sammi, Kelly, Jamie, James, Kristine, Michelle and Danny. She will be missed dearly by all who knew her.

A memorial service will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Friday, June 25, 2010, at the Heinz Funeral Home & Cremation, 2507 Hwy 44 West, Inverness.

A second memorial will be held at 1:00 p.m. on July 11, 2010, at the Manasquan Elks Lodge, Manasquan, NJ.

In lieu of flowers, donation may be made to Citrus County Hospice. Heinz Funeral Home & Cremation, Inverness, FL

Sign the guest book at [www.chronicleonline.com](http://www.chronicleonline.com).

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# WEDDED BLISS



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**Rion Bowers, right, and Gidget Miller of Tucson, Ariz., walk along the beach after being married Saturday on Pensacola Beach. Bowers and Miller were determined to exchange vows on Pensacola Beach with the backdrop of a soft, pink beach sunset and turquoise waters — even with the outer edges of the Gulf oil spill lurking just offshore.**

## Oil spill has brides canceling beach weddings

Associated Press

PENSACOLA BEACH — The bride wore white, her bridesmaids watermelon pink. The groom dressed in khaki pants and a casual white shirt. And all went barefoot despite the risk of stepping on tar balls.

Rion and Gidget Bowers were determined to exchange vows with the backdrop of a soft, pink beach sunset and turquoise waters — even with the outer edges of the Gulf oil spill lurking just offshore.

It's another ripple effect of the disaster in the Gulf oozing oil square in the middle of wedding season: Fewer and fewer couples are willing to risk holding their weddings in this stretch of Panhandle sometimes called "the Las Vegas of beach weddings."

Millions of dollars are at stake because the ceremonies bring thousands of visitors annually to the area. Some businesses say their bookings have been cut in half.

"It's not just me hurting: it's the DJs, caterers, photographers, everyone involved," wedding planner Darrin Land said. He said he's lost \$12,000 since news of the oil threat began in late April. "Sixty percent of my beach weddings are canceling. This is worse than a hurricane because we don't know what is going to happen."

Those in the wedding business say they, too, are suffering along with the oil workers, shrimpers, fishermen, hoteliers and restaurateurs whose jobs and businesses have been undercut by the spill.

"It's hurting everyone from the ministers to the people who put the chairs out on the beach," said June Watkins, a non-denominational minister.

Watkins normally does 40 weddings a year, mostly in the summer and early fall. She has no reservations through

July and none for the fall. "They are talking about fisherman — and that's huge — but our wedding business along the Gulf Coast has been growing for years."

It's easy to see why couples from throughout the country get married on the Panhandle's beaches. The powdery white sand, vivid turquoise water and pastel sunsets are breathtaking. The many quaint, beach-front homes for rent on crowd-free beaches are the perfect honeymoon getaway.

So far, workers have been able to quickly clean from the sand the tar balls and sheen that's washed ashore here.

"I have a saying that it is God's church when we are out there on the beach with the Gulf of Mexico in the background. Every time I go out on the beach I am struck by the beauty. You know it had to have been made by a creator," Watkins said.

But with the oil spill, some couples worry that their day will be ruined. Even when the ceremony isn't canceled the spill can cause headaches for organizers.

Land held a beach wedding for a Mississippi couple and 40 guests in early June, but the bride waited until just two days before the event to make sure the beach would be tar-free. She had planned to move the wedding to a bay-front site away from the beach if the oil was a problem.

The last-minute setup is tricky.

"It's nerve-racking — do you have all the guests in the right spot, how do you notify everyone if it changes at the last minute? Do you have enough time to secure a beach spot where there aren't people in bikinis in the backdrop of the photos," Land said.

An arched trellis on the sand overlooking the gulf?

"Totally out of the question because there isn't time to set them up," Land said.

But some couples are refusing to surrender to the spill.

Lindsay Catalano and Jon Lacey of Atlanta plan to marry Sept. 5 on a secluded beach between Destin and Panama City, no matter what. She'll wear Vera Wang and her seven bridesmaids will wear raspberry pink and orange gowns. A string quartet will play The Beatles' classic "All You Need is Love," as the couple walks the beach before exchanging vows.

Between 200 and 250 guests are expected — the couple is asking them to donate money to help those hurt by the spill.

"The oil, it just adds to the meaning of it all," said Catalano, who has vacationed in the area since she was a child and has long dreamed of having a beach wedding.

If the beach is too messy to have the wedding, the wedding will move to a grassy spot near the beach.

Pam Thompson, wedding manager for Carillon Beach resort where the wedding will be held, cried when the

couple e-mailed her their firm intentions. The resort normally hosts 40 weddings a year, but this year she is expecting 20 because of the spill.

"If I could have reached through the phone and hugged them, I would have," she said.

The Bowers were among those determined to stay the course. The Tucson, Ariz.-couple, love Pensacola Beach's famous white sands, where they got engaged last September.

"There was a little bit of trepidation because we learned the beaches were possibly going to be covered with tar and oil," Rion Bowers said. But the rough surf that brought the first oil to the beach days earlier subsided and their dream ceremony went off without a hitch — or a single tar ball on anyone's bare foot.

They now joke that the spill gave them a wedding to remember.

"My biggest concern was one hour before the wedding when I looked out on the beach and a hazmat crew had set up near our site," Gidget said with a laugh. "I have pictures of our wedding trellis and the hazmat team."

## State BRIEFS

### Penny collection marks Holocaust

HOLLYWOOD — A South Florida teen has collected 1.5 million pennies to commemorate each child killed in the Holocaust.

Thirteen-year-old David Broide, a student at Hillel Community Day School in North Miami Beach, collected the pennies as a bar mitzvah project. Friends, relatives and classmates helped, and Broide gave \$1,800 in bar mitzvah gifts to the project, too.

Six thousand pounds of pennies — 1.2 million in all — have already been delivered to the Holocaust Documentation and Education Center in Hollywood, where they've been collected in bags, jugs, coin rolls and sandwich bags. The rest are on their way.

Broide overshot his goal by 100,000 pennies. Now he's planning another project: To collect 6 million pennies, one for every Jew killed in the Holocaust.

### 1 dead from carbon monoxide poisoning

WEST BOCA — An 89-year-old man is dead and six others, including his wife, have been injured from carbon monoxide poisoning after a car was left running in an attached garage.

Palm Beach County Fire-Rescue says Hyman Hal Portnoy and 87-year-old Elaine Sommer-Portnoy woke up feeling ill early Saturday and called their health care worker.

The caretaker went to the West Boca home and

checked the cars in the garage. They appeared to be off.

Rescuers were called the home later that morning.

Hyman Hal Portnoy died at Delray Medical Center; his wife is in critical condition. Several others, including three paramedics, were also transported to a local hospital.

Investigators believe the car's tank had already drained when the caretaker checked the garage.

### Parents of boy, 10, charged with abuse

PORT CHARLOTTE — The parents of a 10-year-old boy who was reported missing and later found after a massive search by deputies have been charged with child abuse.

The Charlotte County Sheriff's Office says they found deplorable conditions inside the bedroom of the southwest Florida boy whose family reported him missing on Saturday.

Detectives looked for the boy with search dogs and via helicopter. He was found sleeping under a master bedroom sink.

Investigators say Thomas Anthony Boone and Kimberly Sue Boone kept the boy locked in his bedroom, allowing him to leave only when going to school or when the family went away.

Authorities say the boy was made to sleep in a urine soaked bed and subject to malicious punishment.

Both suspects have been released after posting \$15,000 bond each.

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HOW TO READ THE MARKET IN REVIEW

Here are the 825 most active stocks on the New York Stock Exchange, 765 most active on the Nasdaq National Market and 116 most active on the American Stock Exchange. Tables show name, price and net change.

INDEXES

Table with columns: Index Name, Last, Chg, %Chg. Includes entries like 52-Week High, S&P 500, Dow Jones Industrial.

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Large table listing NYSE stocks with columns: Name, Last, Chg, %Chg. Includes entries like ABB Ltd, AES Corp, AFLAC.

AMERICAN STOCK EXCHANGE

Table listing AMEX stocks with columns: Name, Last, Chg, %Chg. Includes entries like Augusta g, ChlMm g, ChlMm g.

NASDAQ NATIONAL MARKET

Large table listing NASDAQ stocks with columns: Name, Last, Chg, %Chg. Includes entries like A-Power, ACM Moore f, ADC Tel.

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Table listing various mutual funds and stocks with columns: Name, Div, Yld, PE, Last Chg, %Chg, YTD. Includes entries like Petrohawk, PetrosA, Midas.

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Table listing currencies with columns: Country, Yesterday, Pvs Day. Includes entries like Argentina, Australia, Bahrain.

MONEY RATES

Table listing money rates with columns: Instrument, Yesterday, Pvs Day. Includes entries like Prime Rate, Discount Rate.

COMMODITIES

Table listing commodities with columns: Commodity, Exch, Contract, Settle Chg. Includes entries like L1 Sweet Crude, Wheat, Soybeans.



MUTUAL FUNDS

HOW TO READ THE MUTUAL FUND TABLES

Here are the 1,000 biggest mutual funds listed on Nasdaq. Tables show the fund name, sell price or Net Asset Value (NAV) and daily net change.

Name: Name of mutual fund and family. NAV: Net asset value. Chg: Net change in price of NAV. Data based on NAVs reported to Lipper by 6 p.m. Eastern.

Table of mutual funds with columns for Name, NAV, and Chg. Includes categories like Advance Capital, Allier Funds, AllianceBern, etc.

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Stocks gains wiped out

Market watch

Market watch table showing Dow Jones Industrial, Nasdaq composite, Standard & Poor's 500, Russell 2000, NYSE diary, and Nasdaq diary.

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Stocks erased big gains Monday after investors lost some of their enthusiasm about China's decision to let its currency appreciate against the dollar.

The Dow fell 8.23, or 0.1 percent, to 10,442.41.

The index had risen 5.2 percent in the past two weeks, its biggest two-week gain since mid-November 2009.

Rates rise at weekly Treasury auction

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Interest rates on short-term Treasury bills rose in Monday's auction to the highest levels in three weeks.

highest since these bills average 0.210 percent, also on June 7.

The Treasury Department auctioned \$27 billion in three-month bills at a discount rate of 0.115 percent, up from 0.065 percent last week.

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New York Stock Exchange table with columns for Name, Last, and Chg. Lists various stocks like USSteel, UchTech, Udihth, etc.

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# For now, sharing space appropriate at Hunters Spring

You can whisper, tiptoe, hide the cell phone, wipe off the fingerprints and delete the message. But keeping this community's natural resources under wraps to ensure that beaches are secluded, waterways are quiet, and only a minimal number of visitors, families and a handful of their friends are permitted to partake of the activities and pleasures that bless Citrus County — well, it just doesn't work.

So it should be no surprise that crowding at Crystal River's popular Hunters Spring Park has rekindled the question as to how to best separate paddle boaters and swimmers at the park's 40-foot-wide sandy beach.

Hunters Spring has been a destination for all ages to take a refreshing plunge for generations. In 1938 when the property was sold to the city for \$145.33, an agreement was made with seller Lida Martin that the land would be used as a public park and that swimming would always be free.

But who would have predicted the popularity of the kayak would one day be looked upon as a menace to that rare access for public swimming in Crystal River? With limited physical demands and restrictions, and a design that allows the passenger to feel as if they are sitting right in the water, this versatile watercraft has given a new perspective to this incredible environment. More people are experiencing the waterways of the Nature Coast first hand and more visitors are arriving to try this venture for themselves. With limited portals for launching such craft, commercial companies are now regular patrons of this beach, bringing more kayakers to a shoreline that was once populated primarily by swimmers.

With the secret out, and the popularity of swimming and kayaking not likely to subside, some public officials fear that the safety of the swimmers

could be in jeopardy. And we are left to question: can swimmers and kayakers be compatible at Hunters Spring?

A recent proposal by a member on the city council to charge kayak and canoe companies a fee to launch at Hunters Spring was rejected by fellow council members, with logistical and practical objections outweighing the benefits.

With no immediate solutions in sight, council members are encouraged to look

to other options. They can study ways to lessen the likelihood of swimmers being injured by kayaks or canoes, such as designating specific areas or times for launching. Or they can look outward to providing additional launching facilities from nearby shorelines that also provide ample parking for those individuals or businesses wishing to put their kayaks or canoes in the river.

In the meantime, those coming to Hunters Spring Park, be it swimmer or boater, might just have to resort to getting along and even looking out for one another.

Fortunately, profile studies of a kayak enthusiast rarely reveal habits of an intimidating nature. Be it a seasoned paddler or a novice, it is much more of their nature to say, "Excuse me, please" than to say, "Move it or lose it, you nitwit." They have chosen that means of travel not for its speed or impressive strength or color, but more normally are attracted to the serene, peaceful opportunity to appreciate the beauty on the waterways.

So until someone can figure out a way to hold back all those families, visitors, kids, seniors, sports enthusiasts, nature lovers and all the rest who simply want to experience the uniqueness of areas such as Hunters Spring, we may just have to insist that we get along, even when there isn't a rule or a rope or a sign or a guard or a fee to make us.

**Accident thanks**

I would like to thank the people who helped me when I had my accident on April 29 after 2 p.m. on Grover Cleveland Boulevard and Fireside Way. I'd like to thank Dustin for staying around and witnessing; the two ladies — one who did the fanning in the cab and the other did the praying; the emergency techs, the fire department, Citrus Memorial emergency room, and also when I was transferred up to Shands in Gainesville for the emergency surgery and my five- to six-weeks stay up there. I wanted to thank you all. I appreciate all the help that was given to me, and may God bless. M.J.B.

**Correction**

A Sound Off on Page A8 of Monday's edition, headlined "Skillbank," left an inaccurate impression. Skillbank does not provide handyman services. While volunteers may help with small

household-upkeep tasks such as changing a light bulb, services provided by Skillbank do not compete with what a licensed handyman provides. The *Chronicle* regrets the error.



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# How is Israel the guilty party?

We may not live in an Islamic world — yet — but we do live with an Islamic worldview. Witness the uniformly Islamicized consensus that met Israel's successful if costly defense of its Gaza blockade.

The blockade, by the way, is a defensive measure that Israel devised after Hamas terrorists were elected to govern Israel-ceded Gaza in 2005 and — no surprise to any student of jihad — decided to continue their charter-commanded war on Israel, raining down nearly 10,000 rockets onto Israeli civilians.

The rocketing, of course, was OK with the Islamicized consensus. What wasn't OK happened on the night of May 31 when Israeli commandos, lightly armed with paintball guns and emergency sidearms, unexpectedly battled aboard the Mavi Marmara against trained fighters with ties to the Turkish government, specifically to the ruling AKP party of Prime Minister Tayyip Erdogan, to maintain Israel's lawful blockade.

These hostile forces were organized by the Turkish terror-linked organization known as IHH (which purchased the boat from an AKP entity). They were armed with knives, axes, clubs, Molotov cocktails and more, and they formed a militant cadre barely camouflaged by the "humanitarian cargo" (including night vision goggles, bulletproof vests and nearly a million euros) and other "peace activists," among whom were Muslim Brothers, Hamas partisans (at least one Hamas operative was later arrested), and members of

the Turkish supremacist group BBP. At least five "passengers" publicly expressed their wish to become "shahids," or Islamic martyrs. Three got their wish in the fighting that ensued after the ship refused to yield to the Israeli Navy. Some of the Israeli blockade-defenders were wounded, a few seriously; nine jihadist blockade-runners were killed.

An Islamicized world wrath came down on Israel. And with such force as to obliterate what remnants of the Western system — logic, morality, history — somehow still existed. Simultaneous to the instant apotheosis of blockade-running jihadis into ocean-going pacifists came an avalanche of rage so violent as to reverse the gravitational pull of global politics entirely. Or so it seems.

Thus, Islamicized international pressure weighs on Israel's Netanyahu to justify, to apologize — and not Turkey's Erdogan, who supports the jihadist outlaws. Outrage boils over at the defense of a lawful blockade to protect civilians from terrorist attack, and not at the Hamas attackers, or at the Turks and others who aid them — and, again, with the Turkish head of state's support. While Israelis have reason to re-examine the efficiency of their strategy to maintain the blockade, the only so-called "impartial" international investigation required is not, as demanded, into Israel's line of defense, but rather into Turkey's destabilizing culpability in the aggression.

Pure and simple, this was an act of jihadist provocation, even an act of war. If the Western system were still functional, it would

be Turkey called to account in the international arena, not Israel; it would be Turkey pressured to unmask itself as a fomentor of global jihad — not Israel for defending itself against it.

If But the Western system no longer functions; it takes its lead from "peace activists." And so — and this is the tragedy of Western collapse — it is Turkey that the West appeases. There is no logic to this; there is fear. There's no morality here; only dhimmitude. History, meanwhile, is ignored. We hide from the gravity of resurgent jihad in the Ottoman land of the last caliphate, deaf to the declarations of cultural and religious war that Erdogan, for one, has always made, from the 1970s, when he engaged in anti-Semitic agit-prop with a play he wrote, directed and acted in known as "Mas-kom-Ya," an acronym for Mason, komunist (communist), and Yahudi (Jew); to the 1990s, when he invoked jihad with the lines, "the mosques are our barracks, the domes our helmets, the minarets our bayonets and the faithful our soldiers"; to today, as he exhorts Turks in Europe to cultural conquest, declaring, "Assimilation is a crime against humanity."

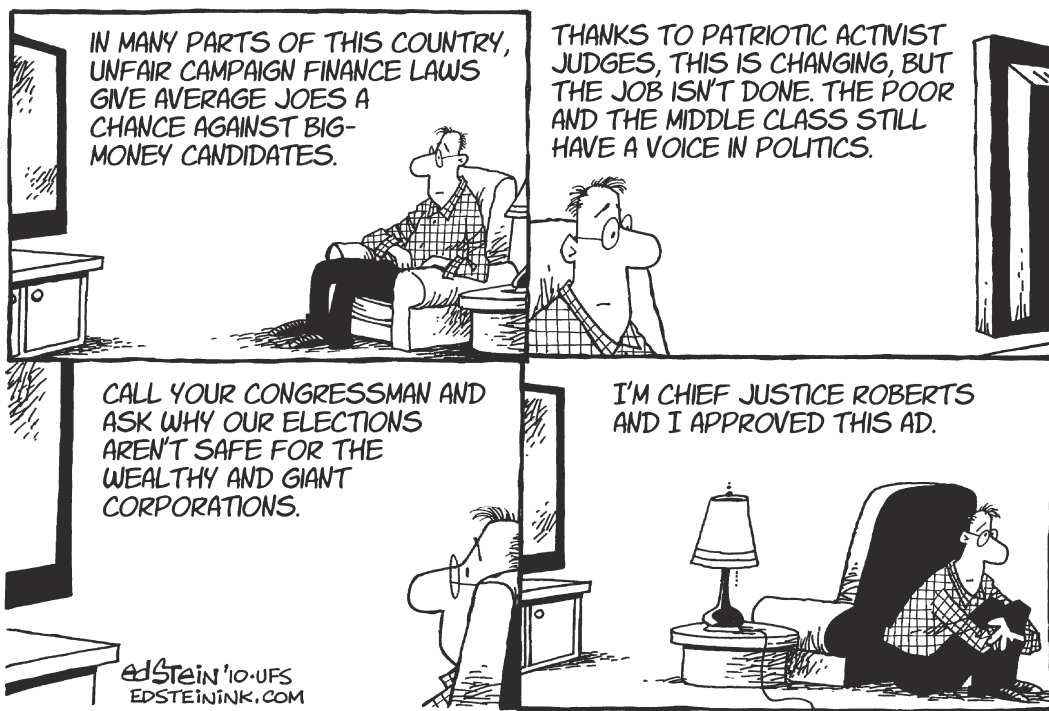
Sounds like the call of the marauder to me. But the United States, pondering "Who lost Turkey?" plugs its ears and scapegoats Israel, or, just as fantastic, blames Europe for a vestigial self-preservation instinct that prevents it from committing demographic suicide by admitting 78 million Muslims into the union.

Anything for "peace."

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**OTHER VOICES**



**LETTERS to the Editor**

**Controlling illegals**

There has been much discussion regarding illegal immigrants. Many beat their chests and scream that the federal government is at fault and they need to fix the problem. Often we hear that they are criminals running guns and illegal drugs along with committing heinous crimes. In reality, there are some who do this and, in many cases, they are working in conjunction with Americans who are buying these products.

What is not often mentioned is that the majority of them are here to make a living and support their families through jobs in construction, restaurant and farm workers, domestics, etc.

The vocal folks who believe these immigrants should be sent back are often the same group that complains that the federal government is too big and taxes are out of control. The cost of apprehending all illegals, processing them through our legal system as is the current law and returning them is going to cost much.

Interestingly, the last I checked, murder, gun running

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and illegal drugs are enforceable state laws. I would suggest that border states apply more enforcement resources to these areas and make appropriate arrests. If an illegal is arrested for a state crime, they go directly to jail. Federal immigration has nothing to say until the state completes its processes. I do believe that local enforcement should receive federal aid for more resources, including staff. If we address the issue in a

logical manner without the political rhetoric, we can get the illegal immigrant situation under control.

Roger B. Krieger  
 Beverly Hills

**Pray for spill**

CNN, June 20, 2010: While cleanup crews and technical teams continue efforts to stop crude gushing into the Gulf of Mexico, Louisiana lawmakers are proposing a different approach: prayer. "Thus far efforts made by mortals to try to solve the crisis have been to no avail," state Sen. Robert Adley said in a statement released after last week's unanimous vote for the day of prayer. "It is clearly time for a miracle for us."

Back on May 3, 2010, Texas Gov. Rick Perry (R) suggested that the Gulf of Mexico oil rig explosion that caused the massive spill may have been just "an act of God" that could not have been prevented.

The governor is right, of course, but within his simple comment lies a corollary, and it is the basis for Louisiana's call to prayer: Whether or not God, Who is All Mighty; God, Who is All Loving; God, Who loves America; God, Who hears all invocations ... God can most certainly stop a simple spill at a snap of His fingers.

Let us pray!

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**Cool off**



Associated Press  
**An elephant gives itself a bath Monday at the Oregon Zoo in Portland, Ore.**

**Report: Gays to get family leave**

WASHINGTON — The Labor Department intends to issue regulations this week ordering businesses to give gay employees equal treatment under a law permitting workers unpaid time off to care for newborns or loved ones.

Labor Secretary Hilda Solis planned to announce Wednesday that the government would require employers to extend the option that has been available to heterosexual workers for almost two decades, two officials briefed on the plan said Monday.

The move, coming less than five months before November's congressional elections, seemed likely to incite conservatives and Republicans who stood in lockstep against the Obama administration's earlier efforts to repeal a ban on gays and lesbians serving openly in the military.

**World BRIEFS**

**Farewell**



Associated Press  
**A woman kisses the shrouded body of her 4-year-old niece, who was killed in a bombing Sunday in Baghdad, as the family prepares for her burial in the Shiite city of Najaf. The child was killed along with her entire family by suicide bombers in a crowded Baghdad commercial district.**

**Samoa to discuss constitution**

PAGO PAGO, American Samoa — American Samoa is convening a constitutional convention to consider changes to its fundamental laws. More than 100 delegates on Monday launched the convention, the first in the U.S. territory in 26 years.

Several proposals would grant American Samoa more autonomy from U.S. oversight.

**Death toll at 34 in mine blast**

BOGOTA, Colombia — Colombian rescuers have retrieved the bodies of 34 miners killed in last week's coal mine explosion.

Antioquia state disaster coordinator John Rendon says about 40 workers are still underground. Officials hold out little hope any are still alive.

Rescuers carried out 13 bodies Sunday from deep inside the 1.2 mile access tunnel at the San Fernando mine in northwest Colombia. They found two more Monday. The blast occurred Wednesday. Rendon says debris and the persistent buildup of methane and carbon monoxide continue to impede rescue efforts.

— From wire reports

# Court backs anti-terror law

*Justices say gov't can ban even peaceful aid to groups with ties to terrorism*

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court upheld the government's authority Monday to ban aid to designated terrorist groups, even when that support is intended to steer the groups toward peaceful and legal activities.

The court left intact a federal law that the Obama administration considers an important tool against terrorism. But human rights organizations say the law's ban on providing training and advice to nearly four dozen organizations on a State Department list squanders a chance to persuade people to renounce extremism.

The justices voted 6-3 to reject a free-speech challenge from humanitarian aid groups to the law that bars "material support" — everything from money to technical know-how to legal advice — to foreign terrorist organizations.

The aid groups were only challenging provisions that put them at risk of being prosecuted for talking to terrorist organizations about non-violent activities.

But Chief Justice John Roberts said in his opinion for the court that material support intended even for benign purposes can help a terrorist group in other ways.

"Such support frees up other resources within the organization that

may be put to violent ends," Roberts said in an opinion joined by four other conservative justices, but also the liberal Justice John Paul Stevens.

The court often looks skeptically on laws that criminalize speech and holds them to a high level of scrutiny. But Roberts said there is good reason in this case to defer to Congress and the president, "uniquely positioned to make principled distinctions between activities that will further terrorist conduct and undermine United States foreign policy, and those that will not."

Justice Stephen Breyer took the unusual step of reading his dissent aloud in the courtroom. "Not even the 'serious and deadly problem' of international terrorism can require automatic forfeiture of First Amendment rights," he said. Justices Ruth Bader Ginsburg and Sonia Sotomayor joined the dissent. Solicitor General Elena Kagan

argued the government's case at the high court more than two months ago before President Barack Obama nominated her to replace Stevens, who will retire in place.

The Obama administration said the "material support" law is one of its most important terror-fighting tools. It has been used about 150 times since Sept. 11, resulting in 75 convictions. Most of those cases involved money and other substantial support for terrorist groups.

Only a handful dealt with the kind of speech involved in the case decided Monday.

Human rights groups said they were stunned by the ruling.

David Cole, a Georgetown law professor who represented the aid groups at the Supreme Court, said the court essentially ruled that "the First Amendment permits the government to make human rights advocacy and peacemaking a crime."

# Fire menaces Ariz. homes



Associated Press  
**A wildfire burns Sunday at Shultz Pass between the San Francisco Peaks and Mount Elden in Flagstaff, Ariz..**

*Flagstaff suburbs evacuated as crews battle huge blaze*

Associated Press

FLAGSTAFF, Ariz. — When Jon Stoner opens the blinds to a front window in his home "it's a piece of heaven," he says. Acres of ponderosa pine trees stretch into the distance, staggering up a mountain and bringing a sense of calmness to the area northeast of Flagstaff.

With an 8,850-acre wildfire burning nearby, Stoner is unsure how much of that scenery will remain in tact. As he evacuated his home Sunday, he looked out that same window and saw flames shooting up above the trees.

"That's scary," he said from a shelter where a community briefing was held a day later. "It moves fast."

The combination of high temperatures, low humidity and high winds have challenged firefighters on the ground and in the air. Monday's forecast called for sustained winds of up to 20 miles per hour with gusts of more than 30 miles

per hour, grounding air tankers.

Fire crews battling the so-called Schultz fire were working to protect homes in the fire's path. Residents of several hundred homes remained under evacuation orders as the blaze moved within 500 yards of some of those homes, said fire spokesman Eric Neitzel.

Firefighters worked feverishly overnight to build a containment line between forest land and the communities. They also were digging trenches, clearing out dry brush from around homes and spraying them down in hopes they will be spared, Neitzel said.

Rolling clouds of black and gray smoke choked the sky north of Flagstaff, and bright red and orange flames shot up more than 60 feet in the air. The smoke lingered over roadways, forcing drivers to use headlights in daylight hours.

Flagstaff, a mountain town of about 60,000, is a popular place for tourists and home to Northern Ari-

zona University. A ski resort and snowfall lure visitors during the winter. Moderate summer temperatures provide an escape from more intense heat during the summer.

Areas just north of Flagstaff that are under evacuation orders are a mix of upscale, manufactured, ranch-style and second homes that sit at the foot of the mountains and beyond.

Many residents grabbed what authorities had recommended: medication, important documents, and a change of clothing. Pictures and pets also were added to the mix.

No structures have burned in the blaze, which had zero containment. The fire also was abutting U.S. 89, a key route to Grand Canyon National Park, and officials remained concerned that high winds could cause the fire to leap across the roadway.

A federal management team took over direction of the firefighting effort Monday, a move that will expand access to resources.

# Lift drilling ban, firms plead

*Judge to rule this week*

Associated Press

NEW ORLEANS — Companies that ferry people and supplies to offshore oil rigs asked a federal judge Monday to lift a six-month moratorium on new deepwater drilling projects imposed in the aftermath of the massive Gulf spill.

After hearing two hours of arguments, Judge Martin Feldman said he will decide by Wednesday whether to overturn the ban imposed by President Barack Obama's administration after the Deepwater Horizon rig explosion off the Louisiana coast.

Also on Monday, BP said Monday it has spent \$2 billion fighting the spill for the last two months and compensating victims, with no end in sight. It's likely to be at least August before crews finish two relief wells that are the best chance of stopping the flow of oil.

The British oil giant released its latest tally of response costs, including \$105 million paid out so far to 32,000 claimants. The figure does not include a \$20 billion fund that BP PLC last week agreed to set up for Gulf residents and businesses hurt by the spill.

Kenneth Feinberg, who has been tapped by the White House to run the fund, said many people are in desperate financial straits and need immediate relief.

"Do not underestimate the emotionalism and the frustration and the anger of people in the Gulf uncertain of their financial future," he said. Feinberg, who ran the claim fund set up for victims of the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks, said he is determined to speed payment of claims.

The Obama administration has also been struggling to show it is responding forcefully to the spill. As part of that effort, the Interior Department halted the approval of any new permits for deepwater drilling and suspended drilling at 33 existing exploratory wells in the Gulf.

But a lawsuit filed by Hornbeck Offshore Services of Covington, La., claims the government arbitrarily imposed the moratorium without any proof that the operations posed a threat. Hornbeck says the moratorium could cost Louisiana thousands of jobs and millions of dollars in lost wages.

# China loosens currency to calm critics

*Export prices could be affected*

Associated Press

SHANGHAI — By loosening its currency's peg to the dollar, China is seeking to defuse complaints that it keeps its exports artificially cheap, strengthen its hand against inflation and ensure its economy can keep growing at a healthy pace.

The Chinese yuan surged to a record high Monday as Beijing delivered on its central bank's weekend promise of greater flexibility in its exchange rates. World shares rallied as in-

vestors took heart from the signal of confidence in China's resilience.

Analysts said the move was not a major shift in foreign policy. They described it instead as a maneuver aimed mainly at countering criticism of Beijing's currency policies before this weekend's summit of the Group of 20 leading economies. Beijing's trading partners have been frustrated by their perennial trade imbalances with China.

"This is a type of 'diplomatese' before the G-20," said Yi Xianrong, a prominent economist at the Institute of Finance in the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, a government think-tank.

But Beijing's decision to give up the dollar link it im-

posed two years ago to help its exporters during the recession also shows it recognizes the need for flexibility in its own economic policies.

China's large trade surpluses oblige the central bank to intervene in the exchange market: It buys up excess foreign exchange earnings to keep the yuan's value from rising. Greater flexibility will allow more leeway in China's monetary policies, helping it counter inflation.

"Chinese policymakers are attempting to engineer a scenario that maximizes political goodwill while at the same time minimizes any negative economic impact," said Alaistair Chan, an economist at Moody's Analytics in Sydney.

The central bank still sets the exchange rate each day before the start of trading and limits daily fluctuations to 0.5 percent. Its announcement late Saturday stressed China's commitment to keeping the currency stable.

Allowing greater flexibility suits China's own needs. Apart from helping Beijing fight inflation, it should encourage manufacturers to improve efficiency and reduce the country's reliance on exports as a driver for growth, the central bank said.

By ruling out any one-time major revaluations, the People's Bank of China also doused speculation over such moves and removed a source of uncertainty for investors.

■ The Tampa Bay Rays want a new stadium, preferably in a new location, according to team owner./B3



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# Seminoles bounce Gators from CWS

*McGee homers, earns save in FSU's 8-5 win*

Associated Press

OMAHA, Neb. — To Florida State's Mike McGee, pitching is hard work and hitting home runs is fun.

He mixed business and pleasure Monday, leading the Seminoles to an 8-5 victory over Florida in a College World Series elimination game.

McGee hit a tie-breaking three-run homer in the third inning, laid down a squeeze bunt in the fourth and moved in from left field to pick up the save after Florida made things interesting in the ninth.

"Pitching, it's great to end the game and get the save. I like to be in control," McGee said. "But hitting the home run is the best feeling there is."

The Seminoles (48-19) will play Wednesday night against the loser of Monday night's TCU-UCLA game. The Gators (47-17) lost for the fourth time in five meetings this season with their Sunshine State rival.

Florida State took an 8-2 lead into the ninth inning but had to bring in McGee from the outfield after Preston Tucker's bases-loaded double into the right-field corner drove in three runs.

McGee gave up a single to Austin Maddox and hit Matt den Dekker, loading the bases with

one out. Shortstop Stephen Cardullo caught Mike Zunino's line drive and flipped to second baseman Devon Travis for a game-ending double play.

McGee, who earned his 13th save and hit his team-leading 16th homer, said he lucked out. The pitch Zunino hit was a mistake.

"It was supposed to be a slider down in the dirt, something completely unhittable," McGee said. "It slipped out of my hand. As soon as I let go of it I felt it come up and I was, 'Oh, oh.' He hit it well. I heard a glove pop. That was a good way to get out of a game."

Florida coach Kevin O'Sullivan, whose team left 10 runners on

## College World Series

■ For the other results at college baseball's biggest event, please see:

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Associated Press

Florida's Tyler Thompson (18) runs from Florida State's Stephen Cardullo in a rundown between first and second base during the eighth inning of a College World Series elimination game Monday in Omaha, Neb.

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# Nearly sent home

*Federer escapes major upset at Wimbledon*

Associated Press

WIMBLEDON, England — The situation was so unfamiliar to Roger Federer, so "uncomfortable," to use his term.

On a surface he rules, at a tournament he owns, against an opponent he dominates, Federer found himself in serious trouble Monday: He dropped the first two sets against 60th-ranked Alejandro Falla of Colombia, then was a mere three points from losing in the first round of Wimbledon.

"I had Federer against the ropes," Falla would say later.

Eventually, the unheralded Falla succumbed to some jitters, and six-time Wimbledon champion Federer called upon his experience, summoned his customary excellence, overcame the daunting deficit and pulled away to win 5-7, 4-6, 6-4, 7-6 (1), 6-0 in the event's opening Centre Court match.

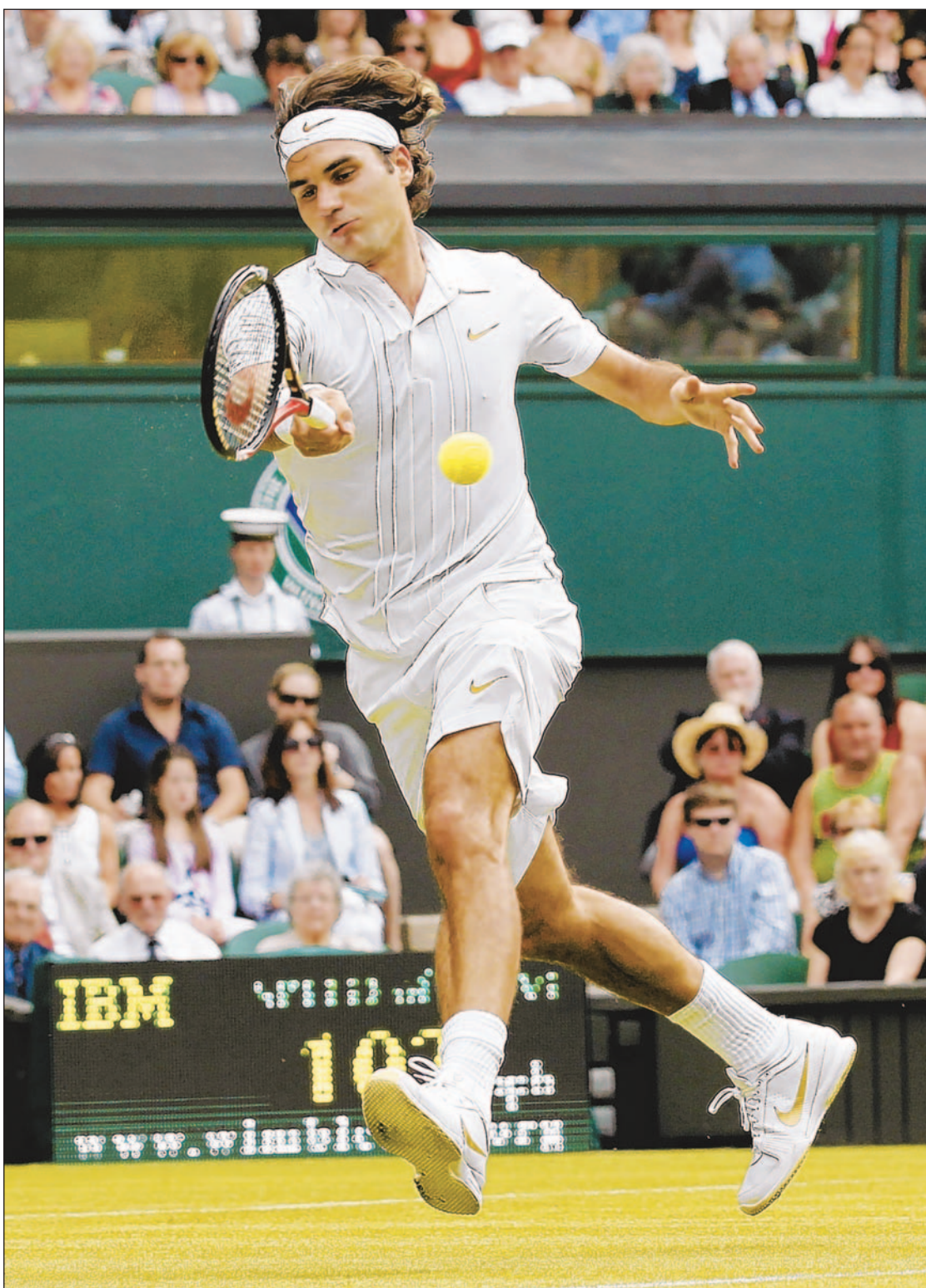
"You definitely feel, you know, uncomfortable, because if you're used to being down the whole time, your whole life, it's something that's kind of normal. For me, it's not normal to be down two-sets-to-love, especially at Wimbledon and early on in Grand Slams. It's something I'm not quite used to," said the top-seeded Federer, who hampered himself with seven double-faults. "But still, I was able to find a way. That's most important right now. Doesn't matter how I felt out there. Didn't feel great, that's for sure."

Had Falla finished off Federer, it would have been one of the most stunning upsets in the history of tennis — perhaps THE most stunning, taking into account the participants, the setting and the round.

Not sure? Consider the players' resumes entering the day:

—Federer was 92-13 for his career on grass, including 76-2 since 2003; Falla was 7-11.

—Federer was 51-5 for his career at Wimbledon, with those six championships and a record seven consecutive final appearances; Falla was 3-5 and never got past the second round at the



Associated Press

Switzerland's Roger Federer reaches for a forehand return against Colombia's Alejandro Falla on Monday at the All England Lawn Tennis Championships at Wimbledon.

All England Club.

—Federer was 199-28 with a record 16 titles in Grand Slam action and reached the final at 18 of the past 20 major tournaments; Falla was 11-14, only once making it as far as the third round at a Slam.

All of that is why this match was the talk of Day 1 at the grass-court Grand Slam tournament,

with players gathering around televisions in the locker rooms to catch a glimpse.

"I don't think anyone expected it," said No. 5 Andy Roddick, a three-time Wimbledon runner-up who beat Rajeev Ram of Carmel, Ind., 6-3, 6-2, 6-2 later Monday. "Everyone was pretty surprised, especially when it became very, very real

there in the latter stages."

Indeed, Falla's near-defeat of Federer generated much more buzz than any of the upsets that actually occurred.

The seeded men who exited were No. 11 Marin Cilic, No. 17 Ivan Ljubicic, No. 20 Stanislas Wawrinka and No. 30 Tommy

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# Sharrone keeps winning

*17-year-old driver takes 5th Four Cylinders Stock flag*

LARRY BUGG  
 For the Chronicle

Jeremy Sharrone gave his dad a nice Father's Day gift Saturday night.

The 17-year-old Floral City resident won the Four Cylinders Stock feature at the Citrus County Speedway.

His father, Tim, raced at the same track and the Sharrone family had plenty to celebrate Saturday night.

Sharrone, a Citrus High School student, won his fifth feature race of the season. Ashley Williamson of Mulberry finished second.

Sharrone could have lost the race in a single moment when Nathan Florian of Homosassa bumped into him. But the teen driver showed remarkable savvy for someone so young by driving "over the top" to take the lead on the 10th lap.

"He (Florian) bumped me," Sharrone said. "It was the top side move (which won the race for him). That's the fastest way around the track."

Florian admitted his car hit Sharrone.

Sharrone noted he was fortunate Saturday night.

"My dad used to be a racer and he got me into it," he said. "He helps me with the racing."

Sharrone, who has been racing for three years, won in a 1989 Dodge Daytona.

Other top drivers had their share of problems in the race.

Last week's winner, Tim Scalise of Lutz, had some problems losing oil and finished back in the pack.

Ocala's Richard Kuhn, last week's points leader, spun around at one point on lap five. He was not in contention after that.

About 94 drivers competed Saturday night compared to the normal 100-plus.

Bo Bass won the Florida Mod Lie Racing Dwarf car race.

Dennis Mace won the Champ Carts.

Richard Dinkins won the Pure

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# Bryant, Lakers celebrate NBA title in Los Angeles



Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Thousands of fans cheered the NBA champion Los Angeles Lakers during a victory parade Monday that players promised to repeat next year with a third consecutive title.

**Holding the NBA championship trophy, Los Angeles Lakers' Kobe Bryant flashes the victory sign during a parade in downtown Los Angeles on Monday.**

Associated Press

Police reported a largely well-behaved crowd. Nine people were arrested for various minor offenses and two children were reported missing, police said. Authorities did not provide a crowd estimate.

Kobe Bryant, Pau Gasol, Derek Fisher, Andrew Bynum and Ron Artest waved to the throngs from a flatbed 18-wheeler as fans yelled and snapped pictures. Many people along the two-mile route waited

hours for a glimpse of their heroes as they rolled past in a convoy that also included double-decker buses and fire engines.

"We saw them for three minutes, but it was worth every minute," said Trisha Siqueiros, 29, who drove two hours from Indio with her father, Ron Nieto, 51, for the parade. "The only thing is they should have driven a little slower."

The hour-long parade capped a season that ended

with an 83-79 Game 7 victory over the Boston Celtics on Thursday and a 16th NBA title for the Lakers.

Team members vowed to play hard for a 17th championship next season.

"When next season starts, we'll be ready, that's for sure," Bryant told reporters. He added that of his five titles, "this is the best one by far because it was the hardest one to get."

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# Donovan: Best is yet to come for U.S.

Associated Press

IRENE, South Africa — Landon Donovan thinks the best is yet to come for the U.S. soccer team.

Yes, 2006 was a disappointment and even the quarterfinal finish in 2002 wasn't completely satisfying.

"The two World Cups I'd been a part of, we hadn't strung together three consecutive good results and good performances," he said Monday. "I think this team has the experience and the ability to do that, and we'll find out on Wednesday night."

By beating Algeria, the Americans would advance from the group phase for the first time in eight years. Even with a draw against the Desert Foxes, the U.S. could advance as long as England fails to beat Slovenia and doesn't gain a point and wipe out the American advantage in goals scored.

Algeria, coming off a 1-0 loss to Slovenia and a 0-0 tie with the English, can advance only with a victory. That likely means wide-open play.

"Their approach to the game would likely be an aggressive approach to try to get a goal and win the game," Donovan said. "A lot of our guys play with or have played with or against their players. As a team, collectively, they can be unpredictable and on their day they are a very, very good team."

On the first day of winter in South Africa, the U.S. held its last practice at Pilditch Stadium before the match. Because FIFA wants to preserve the field at Loftus Versfeld, the site of the match,



Associated Press

**U.S. men's soccer player Landon Donovan thinks the American national team can put together a third consecutive good result and advance out of Group C and into the knockout stage of the 2010 FIFA World Cup.**

Tuesday's training was moved to Eersterust Stadium in Pretoria.

In many ways, the Americans know Algeria much better than Slovenia.

Center back Madjid Bougherra is

a teammate of DaMarcus Beasley and Maurice Edu on the Glasgow Rangers; midfielder Karim Matmour plays alongside Michael Bradley on Borussia Moenchengladbach; midfielder Ad-

lane Guedioura plays on Wolverhampton with Marcus Hahnemann; midfielder Riad Boudebouz is at Sochaux with injured American forward Charlie Davies; and defender Nadir Belhadj and midfielder Has-

sen Yebda play for Portsmouth, where they regularly face the U.S. Premier League contingent.

"They have a lot of guys who are skillful on the ball and who like to get the ball in dangerous areas and run by guys or be creative in their own way and get shots," Bradley said.

"Certainly Karim is good at that — his ability to use his speed to run by defenders and to get shots and crosses. I know that well. I play with him every week. So that's something that we need to keep an eye on. But when you look at their whole team, they have a lot of different threats."

With both teams facing elimination, it figures to be a fiercely fought game.

"Today's football is very physical. Skill is just for the final meters," Matmour said. "I'm quite happy to see everybody play the most simple game possible."

Algeria reached the World Cup for just the third time, following first-round elimination in 1982 and 1986. Egypt forced a tiebreaker playoff by beating Algeria 2-0 in Cairo, a match Algeria's Rafik Halliche and Khaled Lemmouchia played wrapped with head bandages after their team bus was pelted with stones. Four days later, Les Fennecs qualified by beating Egypt 1-0 in a tiebreaker playoff in Sudan.

The Americans have been toughened in a different way. Needing a three-goal victory over Egypt to reach last June's Confederations Cup final — and doing just that — taught them they can overcome adversity.

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# INSIDE THE WORLD CUP

## WORLD CUP STANDINGS

FIRST ROUND							
GROUP A							
GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts	
Uruguay	2	1	1	0	3	0	4
Mexico	2	1	1	0	3	1	4
France	2	0	1	1	0	2	1
South Africa	2	0	1	1	1	4	1

**Friday, June 11**  
**At Johannesburg**  
 South Africa 1, Mexico 1  
**At Cape Town, South Africa**  
 Uruguay 0, France 0  
**Wednesday, June 16**  
**At Pretoria, South Africa**  
 Uruguay 3, South Africa 0  
**Thursday, June 17**  
**At Polokwane, South Africa**  
 Mexico 2, France 0  
**Today, June 22**  
**At Rustenburg, South Africa**  
 Mexico vs. Uruguay, 10 a.m.  
**At Bloemfontein, South Africa**  
 France vs. South Africa, 10 a.m.

GROUP B							
GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts	
Argentina	2	2	0	0	5	1	6
South Korea	2	1	0	1	3	4	3
Greece	2	1	0	1	2	3	3
Nigeria	2	0	0	2	1	3	0

**Saturday, June 12**  
**At Port Elizabeth, South Africa**  
 South Korea 2, Greece 0  
**At Johannesburg**  
 Argentina 1, Nigeria 0  
**Thursday, June 17**  
**At Johannesburg**  
 Argentina 4, South Korea 1  
**At Bloemfontein, South Africa**  
 Greece 2, Nigeria 1  
**Today, June 22**  
**At Durban, South Africa**  
 Nigeria vs. South Korea, 2:30 p.m.  
**At Polokwane, South Africa**  
 Greece vs. Argentina, 2:30 p.m.

GROUP C							
GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts	
Slovenia	2	1	1	0	3	2	4
United States	2	0	2	0	3	3	2
England	2	0	2	0	1	1	2
Algeria	2	0	1	1	0	1	1

**Saturday, June 12**  
**At Rustenburg, South Africa**  
 England 1, United States 1  
**Sunday, June 13**  
**At Polokwane, South Africa**  
 Slovenia 1, Algeria 0  
**Friday, June 18**  
**At Johannesburg**  
 United States 2, Slovenia 2  
**At Cape Town, South Africa**  
 England 0, Algeria 0

**Wednesday, June 23**  
**At Port Elizabeth, South Africa**  
 Slovenia vs. England, 10 a.m.  
**At Pretoria, South Africa**  
 United States vs. Algeria, 10 a.m.  
**GROUP D**

GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts	
Ghana	2	1	1	0	2	1	4
Germany	2	1	0	1	4	1	3
Serbia	2	1	0	1	1	1	3
Australia	2	0	1	1	1	5	1

**Sunday, June 13**  
**At Pretoria, South Africa**  
 Ghana 1, Serbia 0  
**At Durban, South Africa**  
 Germany 4, Australia 0  
**Friday, June 18**  
**At Port Elizabeth, South Africa**  
 Serbia 1, Germany 0  
**Saturday, June 19**  
**At Rustenburg, South Africa**  
 Australia 1, Ghana 1  
**Wednesday, June 23**  
**At Johannesburg**  
 Ghana vs. Germany, 2:30 p.m.  
**At Nelspruit, South Africa**  
 Australia vs. Serbia, 2:30 p.m.

GROUP E							
GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts	
x-Netherlands	2	0	0	2	3	0	6
Japan	2	1	0	1	1	1	3
Denmark	2	1	0	1	2	3	3
Cameroon	2	0	2	1	3	0	

x-advanced to round of 16  
**Monday, June 14**  
**At Johannesburg**  
 Netherlands 2, Denmark 0  
**At Bloemfontein, South Africa**  
 Japan 1, Cameroon 0  
**Saturday, June 19**  
**At Durban, South Africa**  
 Netherlands 1, Japan 0  
**At Pretoria, South Africa**  
 Denmark 2, Cameroon 1  
**Thursday, June 24**  
**At Rustenburg, South Africa**  
 Denmark vs. Japan, 2:30 p.m.  
**At Cape Town, South Africa**  
 Cameroon vs. Netherlands, 2:30 p.m.

GROUP F							
GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts	
Paraguay	2	1	1	0	3	1	4
Italy	2	0	2	0	2	2	2
New Zealand	2	0	2	0	2	2	2
Slovakia	2	0	1	1	1	3	1

**Monday, June 14**  
**At Cape Town, South Africa**  
 Italy 1, Paraguay 1  
**Tuesday, June 15**  
**At Rustenburg, South Africa**  
 New Zealand 1, Slovakia 1  
**Sunday, June 20**  
**At Bloemfontein, South Africa**  
 Paraguay 2, Slovakia 0  
**At Nelspruit, South Africa**  
 Italy 1, New Zealand 1  
**Thursday, June 24**  
**At Johannesburg**  
 Slovakia vs. Italy, 10 a.m.  
**At Polokwane, South Africa**  
 Paraguay vs. New Zealand, 10 a.m.

GROUP G							
GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts	
x-Brazil	2	2	0	0	5	2	6
Portugal	2	1	1	0	7	0	4
Ivory Coast	2	0	1	1	1	3	1
North Korea	2	0	0	2	1	9	0

x-advanced to round of 16  
**Tuesday, June 15**  
**At Port Elizabeth, South Africa**  
 Ivory Coast 0, Portugal 0  
**At Johannesburg**  
 Brazil 2, North Korea 1  
**Sunday, June 20**  
**At Johannesburg**  
 Brazil 3, Ivory Coast 1  
**Monday, June 21**  
**At Cape Town, South Africa**  
 Portugal 7, North Korea 0  
**Friday, June 25**  
**At Durban, South Africa**  
 Portugal vs. Brazil, 10 a.m.  
**At Nelspruit, South Africa**  
 North Korea vs. Ivory Coast, 10 a.m.

GROUP H							
GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts	
Chile	2	2	0	0	2	0	6
Spain	2	1	0	1	2	1	3
Switzerland	2	1	0	1	1	1	3
Honduras	2	0	0	2	0	2	0

**Wednesday, June 16**  
**At Nelspruit, South Africa**  
 Chile 1, Honduras 0  
**At Durban, South Africa**  
 Switzerland 1, Spain 0  
**Monday, June 21**  
**At Port Elizabeth, South Africa**  
 Chile 1, Switzerland 0  
**At Johannesburg**  
 Spain 2, Honduras 0  
**Friday, June 25**  
**At Pretoria, South Africa**  
 Chile vs. Spain, 2:30 p.m.  
**At Bloemfontein, South Africa**  
 Switzerland vs. Honduras, 2:30 p.m.

## Portuguese pummeling



Portugal's Hugo Almeida, right, scores his side's third goal past North Korea goalkeeper Ri Myong Guk, left, during the World Cup Group G soccer match between Portugal and North Korea in Cape Town, South Africa on Monday.

### Portugal bashes N. Korea during 7-0 rout in Group G match

Associated Press

CAPE TOWN, South Africa — Cristiano Ronaldo finally scored. So did Raul Meireles, Simao Sabrosa, Hugo Almeida, Liedson and Tiago (twice).

Portugal put on the most dominant performance of the World Cup on Monday, knocking in a flurry of second-half goals and routing North Korea 7-0, a win that puts Portugal on the brink of advancing to the round of 16 and means the Koreans won't make it out of group play.

"It was a great day for Portugal and Portuguese football," coach Carlos Queiroz said.

"The players are really happy with the way they played, the attitude for the game, the beautiful football, the beautiful goals."

Those goals came in bunches. Simao, Almeida and Tiago all scored early in the second half, after Meireles' 29th-minute goal gave Portugal the lead.

Liedson, substituting for

Almeida started another run with a goal in the 81st.

Ronaldo ended his goalless streak the 87th minute, and Tiago added his second goal two minutes later.

One of the world's best and most highly paid players, Ronaldo had not scored for his nation in a non-friendly match since the 2008 European Championship.

"To score seven goals in a World Cup is not easy," said Ronaldo, who gave his man-of-the-match award to Tiago. "My teammates played very well."

The win moves Portugal into second place in Group G with four points, two behind Brazil. The Ivory Coast has one point, and North Korea can't advance in the tournament after two straight losses.

"This is a great result for us," Portugal coach Carlos Queiroz said. "We have to continue now."

North Korean state television aired live coverage of the Portugal match, in what was believed to be a

first for a national team soccer game taking place abroad.

Talk about bad timing.

North Korea had early chances, but trouble began when Meireles latched on to a clever pass by Tiago and gave Portugal its first goal of the tournament. The score seemed to deflate the Koreans, while the Portuguese finally began to show some of the Latin flair that has made them an outside favorite to win their first championship.

"Tactically speaking, we fell apart and we couldn't block their attacks," North Korea coach Kim Jong Hun said. "It was my fault for not playing the right strategy and that is why we conceded a lot of goals."

Meireles assisted on Simao's goal in the 53rd minute, which went through the legs of North Korea goalkeeper Ri Myong Guk. Almeida scored three minutes later from a powerful header, and Tiago knocked home a pass from Ronaldo in the 60th.

## Spain cruises by Honduras

Associated Press

JOHANNESBURG — Now that looked like a championship team.

David Villa scored two goals as Spain got its World Cup pursuit back on track with a 2-0 victory over Honduras on Monday.

Villa beat three defenders in the 17th minute before goalkeeper Noel Valladares got a touch to the Spain striker's rising shot but not enough to keep it out.

Villa scored his 40th international goal in the 51st when his shot from the edge of the area deflected off a defender to go over Valladares. But Villa missed a penalty kick in the 62nd at Ellis Park, sending it wide right.

Spain has three points and can still win Group H with a victory over Chile, which earlier beat Switzerland 1-0 to lead with six points. Switzerland has three points and Honduras has zero.

"We think this first group is very difficult and we have a tough game against Chile," Villa said. "Being world champions is a long way down the road, there's a long time to go, and many matches as well."

Spain's win eased the disappointment of an opening 1-0 loss to the Swiss.

"I think the other day we also (played well) but the result wasn't so good," Villa said.



Spain's David Villa reacts after failing to score on a penalty during the World Cup Group H soccer match between the Spanish and Honduras at Ellis Park Stadium in Johannesburg, South Africa on Monday.

## Chile beats defensive Switzerland, 1-0

Associated Press

PORT ELIZABETH, South Africa — Chile broke through the formerly impenetrable Swiss defense, and Mark Gonzalez's goal might be enough to get the South Americans into the second round of the World Cup.

Substitute Gonzalez scored on a header in the 75th minute Monday as Chile beat 10-man Switzerland 1-0 to move closer to a spot in the final 16. The Chileans could move on before they take the field again if Spain and Honduras draw Monday night.

Before Chile scored, Switzerland set a World Cup record in the 69th minute by going 551 minutes without



Switzerland's Stephan Lichtsteiner, left, and Chile's Jorge Valdivia crouch on the pitch at the end of the World Cup Group H soccer match between Chile and Switzerland at Nelson Mandela Bay Stadium in Port Elizabeth, South Africa on Monday.

allowing a goal, breaking the mark of 550 held by Italy at the 1986 and 1990 tournaments. Chile has won both its games in Group H.

"This is for my family and for all the people who have supported us in Chile,"

Gonzalez said. "This was a great moment for me and for our team."

Gonzalez headed home a pass from fellow sub Esteban Paredes, who had gotten around the staunch Swiss defense and crossed

to Gonzalez at the back post. Gonzalez's downward header beat goalkeeper Diego Benaglio.

"We are in a good position, and we have one more game to prove ourselves even more," Gonzalez said of Friday's match against Spain at Pretoria.

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## Spotlight on PEOPLE

### Jericho plays it safe on 'Downfall'

LOS ANGELES — Pro wrestler **Chris Jericho** is willing to take hits in the ring, but will be playing it safe as host of ABC's new game show "Downfall."

"Downfall" is staged atop a 10-story downtown Los Angeles building, with contestants vying for prizes and up to \$1 million cash by taking a trivia quiz. Players face the risk of being pushed off the roof — strapped into a decelerator harness — if they lose.

Jericho is on the rooftop, too, but tethered to a platform to avoid an unexpected trip.

"It's scary when you get up there and stand on the edge," Jericho said. "That's the reason I'm the host. I don't ever have to go over the edge — unless the show gets canceled, in which case I'm the first one that gets thrown over."

The game show begins its six-episode run Tuesday at 9 p.m. on ABC.

### Actor cast as Bruce Lee

HONG KONG — Filmmakers have cast a rising star from Hong Kong to play **Bruce Lee** in an upcoming biopic

that focuses on the late kung fu icon's youth.

**Aarif Lee** rose to fame by playing a high school track star in the recent hit "Echoes of the Rainbow," a nostalgic look at 1960s Hong Kong. The 23-year-old was a physics major at London's Imperial College.

"Bruce Lee: My Brother's Story" is funded by a consortium of studios from Hong Kong and mainland China. It will start shooting in June.

### Fleury mulled playing himself

CALGARY, Alberta — Former NHL star **Theo Fleury** says he considered playing himself in a stage play about his life. He then decided it's better to let an actor do it.

Alberta Theatre Workshops is developing a play called "Don't Quit Before The Miracle." The script is based on Fleury's autobiography, "Playing With Fire."

Fleury had a long and successful NHL career despite battles with drugs and alcohol and has been open about his struggles with addiction.

—From wire reports

# It's all about Michaela



Nilima Mehra, left, and Michaela Salahi join hands at the America's Polo Cup Championships, on June 12 at the National Mall in Washington, D.C. Salahi, who appears on the new reality series "Real Housewives of D.C.," hosted the event with her husband.

## W.H. gate-crasher unquestionably the star of new TV series

Associated Press

"I love to just make an entrance," declares one of the new "Real Housewives of D.C." on the show's debut episode, set to air in August.

Quick, guess which one!

Of course, that grimace-inducing line, given what we all know, comes from Michaela Salahi — whose uninvited "entrance" into the White House last fall threw Washington into a tizzy, raised serious questions about presidential security, caused major fallout at the Secret Service and led to the departure of the White House social secretary.

And it isn't over: A federal grand jury has been conducting a criminal investigation of Michaela and Tareq Salahi and how they got into the White House. But for now, all that trouble seems SO last year.

Because, judging from a sneak peek at the first episode of "Real Housewives," Michaela is the unquestioned star of the new franchise. In fact, on a show that sets out to profile well-connected players in Washington — well, rich, beautiful, catty well-connected players in Washington — the newly famous Salahi is perhaps the closest to a player they've got. Heck, at least she's met the president!

But let's pause for a little history. It was back in May of 2009 that Bravo, already home to the "Real Housewives" of Orange County, Atlanta, New York City and New Jersey, let it be known it was coming to the nation's capital.

Immediately, tongues started wagging in Washington's social circles. Who would the show find to equal the wealthy, colorful, surgically enhanced, backbiting, table-flipping heroines of those other cities? Was the wonky capital interesting enough? Some were horrified the show was coming, others a little proud, and some both.

A production company, Half Yard Productions, meanwhile, was searching for women who, in Bravo's words, "have their hands on the pulse of what's going on culturally and politically." They knew, of course, that it would be tough to get to the center of political power: "I imagine it would be a challenge if we were trying for, say, (social secretary) Desiree Rogers," Bravo programming executive Andy Cohen told The Associated Press at the time, a comment that seems a bit eerie now.

In a secretive process — candidates weren't told initially what

show they were "auditioning" for — camera crews followed women into parties, leading to talk that they might be "Housewives." The buzz led to more invitations, making their notoriety rather a self-fulfilling prophecy.

Enter Michaela Salahi — and excuse the pun. After she and her polo-playing husband from Virginia wine country made their way into the November state dinner, Bravo said they were being considered for the show but that the cast was not yet set.

What they didn't say then was that shooting was already almost finished, as Cohen said last week when the cast was announced. There was no way at that stage, Cohen said, to replace her — and during editing, it had become clear how connected Salahi was to the other characters' stories.

And how important she would be to ratings, he might have added. "The Salahis are the golden egg," says Carol Joynt, who writes a column on Washington society for the New York Social Diary. Especially because prominent Washington players wouldn't go near the show, she says.

In fact, Joynt, who interviewed the Salahis last week for her local cable interview show, had never heard of any of the five chosen women until Bravo started shooting the show in September, two months before the White House incident.

Cathy Merrill Williams, publisher of Washingtonian magazine, agrees. "They tried hard to get political women, to capture the politically powerful part of Washington," Williams says of the show. "Did they do it? No. Because in Washington, the currency is not money, it's not exposure. It's brains and reputation, and powerful women are very protective of their reputations. They're not going to turn their lives over to a television editing room."

Of course, getting powerful, accomplished women might be boring, Williams adds. "You could follow Nancy Pelosi around for a year, and nothing would happen," she says.

So who are the other "Real Housewives?"

■ Mary Schmidt Amons, a suburban mother of five. She's a granddaughter of the late TV personality Arthur Godfrey, but more interesting to viewers will probably be the biometric lock on her clothes closet — opened only by her fingerprint — to keep her own daugh-

ter out. "When you have a daughter who shares your same size and your same style, you have to take measures into your own hands," she explains.

■ Lynda Erkiletian, who heads a D.C.-area modeling agency — given the limited number of fashion clients in D.C., she says, her business caters to ambassadors and diplomats. Whatever that means, it should be noted that she bears more than a passing physical resemblance to LuAnn de Lesseps, the countess-turned-etiquette author-turned songstress on "Real Housewives of New York City."

■ Stacie Scott Turner, a high-end real estate broker for Sotheby's, who seems the most down-to-earth of the bunch: Watch for her price-less look of horror when a tipsy Mary makes an impassioned speech about how black and white women (Stacie's the only black cast member) should share the same hair salons. Turner went to Harvard Business School, and somewhere along the way met Barack Obama long enough for a photo to be snapped. "I just knew that man was going places," she says.

■ Catherine Ommanney, a British interior designer who once hit the British tabloids because of a "long and lovely" kiss she says she shared with Prince Harry, and whose nickname, Cat, is apparently quite apt. Of the Salahis' polo party, she notes drily: "I was expecting something a little bigger." She expounds on her romance with her husband, political photographer Charles Ommanney, who took photos of Obama, and disses Obama for not having responded to their wedding invitation. (Maybe he knew something: The Ommanneyes have since reportedly separated.)

Clearly, the biggest draw is Salahi — 44, blonde, willowy and fashion-model thin. "When you first look at me, you think I have no substance," she says, assuring viewers that isn't true. At her polo charity event, she runs about the room hugging everyone in sight. "I'm a hugger," she explains.

But will Salahi and her cohorts be enough to carry a full season? That remains to be seen. In Washington, at least, Joynt predicts people will be watching — albeit quietly.

"To a one, they claim they have no interest," Joynt says. "But I imagine most will watch. It'll certainly be something to dine out on after Labor Day. And really, who wants to talk about BP?"

## Florida LOTTERIES

### SO YOU KNOW

■ Last night's winning numbers, **Page B4.**

#### SUNDAY, JUNE 20

**Fantasy 5:** 7 - 11 - 14 - 19 - 32  
5-of-5 2 winners \$84,145.31  
4-of-5 301 \$90  
3-of-5 8,270 \$9

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**Powerball:** 9 - 30 - 31 - 50 - 54  
**Powerball:** 39  
5-of-5 PB No winners  
5-of-5 1 \$200,000  
**Lotto:** 8 - 27 - 33 - 39 - 40 - 46  
6-of-6 No winners  
5-of-6 37 \$6,055  
4-of-6 2,379 \$78.50  
3-of-6 48,327 \$5  
**Fantasy 5:** 2 - 18 - 19 - 28 - 30  
5-of-5 1 winner \$257,050.45  
4-of-5 342 \$121  
3-of-5 10,212 \$11

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Today is Tuesday, June 22, the 173rd day of 2010. There are 192 days left in the year.

#### Today's Highlight:

On June 22, 1940, during World War II, Adolf Hitler gained a stunning victory as France was forced to sign an armistice eight days after German forces overran Paris.

#### On this date:

In 1870, the United States Department of Justice was created.

In 1911, Britain's King George V was crowned at Westminster Abbey.

In 1941, Germany invaded the Soviet Union during World War II.

In 1944, President Franklin D. Roosevelt signed the Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944, more popularly known as the "GI Bill of Rights."

In 1970, President Richard Nixon signed an extension of the Voting Rights Act of 1965 that lowered the minimum voting age to 18.

**Ten years ago:** The state of Texas executed Gary Graham for the 1981 killing of a man in a holdup outside a Houston supermarket; Graham insisted to the end that he was innocent.

**Five years ago:** White House adviser Karl Rove set off a political firestorm with a speech to the New York state Conservative Party in which he said, "Liberals saw the savagery of the 9/11 attacks and wanted to prepare indictments and offer therapy and understanding for our attackers" while conservatives, he said, "saw the savagery of 9/11 and the attacks and prepared for war."

**One year ago:** Nine people were killed when a Washington D.C. commuter train crashed into the rear of another during afternoon rush hour.

#### Today's Birthdays:

Singer-actor Kris Kristofferson is 74. Actor Michael Lerner is 69. Broadcast journalist Brit Hume is 67. Actress Meryl Streep is 61. Pop singer Cyndi Lauper is 57. Actor-producer-writer Bruce Campbell is 52. Author Dan Brown is 46. TV personality Carson Daly is 37. Rock musician Chris Traynor is 37. Country musician Jimmy Wallace is 37. Actor Donald Faison is 36. Actress Alicia Goranson is 36. TV personality/actor Jai Rodriguez is 31. Actress Lindsay Ridgeway is 25.

#### Thought for Today:

"Study men, not historians." — President Harry S. Truman (1884-1972).

## Today's HOROSCOPE

**Birthday:** Improvements in your all-around circumstances are in the offing in the year ahead, especially if you are open to other kinds of channels that could supplement your present means for finding fulfillment and happiness.

**Cancer (June 21-July 22)** — Someone you've been trying to impress might surprise you by going out of his/her way to make an impact. Don't be too shy.

**Leo (July 23-Aug. 22)** — Begin tying up all those loose ends on a project you started but never finished. Once it is completed, you'll be surprised by how good you'll feel about yourself and your accomplishment.

**Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** — Mental endeavors that require total focus and commitment to details can be done with relative ease, mostly because your powers of concentration are now far more acute than usual.

**Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)** — Be alert and watchful for opportunities of a material nature that could be right down

your alley. The aspects indicate that you'll have a chance to do something pretty significant to add to your holdings.

**Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)** — Be extra cognizant about making a good impression, because you are likely to attract much more attention than usual wherever you go, and any imprint you make won't be readily forgotten.

**Sagittarius (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** — One of the best ways to get others to approve of your undertakings is to let them think your ideas are theirs. Who authors what isn't important, only what you get out of it.

**Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** — Although more than one friend might lean on you a bit, don't let it annoy you because they will be looking to you for advice. Do what you can to help them accomplish things they can't on their own.

**Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)** — Finding yourself in a challenging, competitive development won't intimidate you, but will spur you forward. You'll innately know that you have an

edge over the competition.

**Pisces (Feb. 20-March 20)** — Do everything in your power to make sure you are profiting from past experiences. It might be far too easy to lapse into past unproductive patterns that always caused you problems.

**Aries (March 21-April 19)** — It may or may not come as a surprise to you, but your ability to handle commercial affairs at this time can be outstanding. Apply this talent and don't waste this valuable asset.

**Taurus (April 20-May 20)** — You might not hear about it right away, but a loyal friend will be saying nice things about you, enough to influence others to want to be your pal. Don't be surprised by all the smiles you'll get.

**Gemini (May 21-June 20)** — Tasks you usually hate doing can now be managed with relative ease, so don't try to duck out of them. Instead, roll up your sleeves and get down to it!

# Too many scans

*Americans get most radiation from medical scans*

**MARILYNN MARCHIONE**  
 AP medical writer

We fret about airport scanners, power lines, cell phones and even microwaves. It's true that we get too much radiation. But it's not from those sources — it's from too many medical tests.

Americans get the most medical radiation in the world, even more than folks in other rich countries. The U.S. accounts for half of the most advanced procedures that use radiation, and the average American's dose has grown sixfold during the past couple of decades.

Too much radiation raises the risk of cancer. That risk is growing because people in everyday situations are getting imaging tests far too often. Like the New Hampshire teen who was about to get a CT scan to check for kidney stones until a radiologist, Dr. Steven Birnbaum, discovered he'd already had 14 of these powerful X-rays for previous episodes. Adding up the total dose, "I was horrified" at the cancer risk it posed, Birnbaum said.

After his own daughter, Molly, was given too many scans following a car accident, Birnbaum took action: He asked the two hospitals where he works to watch for any patients who had had 10 or more CT scans, or patients under 40 who had had five — clearly dangerous amounts. They found 50 people over a three-year period, including a young woman with 31 abdominal scans.

When other radiologists



JIM COLE/Associated Press

**Dr. Steven Birnbaum works a CT scanner with a patient June 3 at Southern New Hampshire Medical Center in Nashua, N.H. Americans get the most medical radiation in the world, even more than folks in other rich countries.**

## OVERTREATED

*Editor's note: Too much medical treatment is making many Americans sicker.*

*This is the third story in an Associated Press series that examines the phenomenon of overtreatment. Next: Cancer.*



tell him they've never found such a case, Birnbaum replies: "That tells me you haven't looked."

Of the many ways Americans are overtested and overtreated, imaging is one of the most common and insidious. CT scans — "super X-rays" that give fast, extremely detailed images — have soared in use in the past decade,

often replacing tests that don't require radiation, such as ultrasound and MRI, or magnetic resonance imaging.

Radiation is a hidden danger — you don't feel it when you get it, and any damage usually doesn't show up for years. Taken individually, tests that use radiation pose little risk. Over time, though, the

dose accumulates.

Doctors don't keep track of radiation given their patients — they order a test, not a dose. Except for mammograms, there are no federal rules on radiation dose. Children and young women, who are most vulnerable to radiation harm, sometimes get too much at busy imaging centers that don't adjust doses for each patient's size.

That may soon change. In interviews with The Associated Press, U.S. Food and Drug Administration officials described steps in the works, including possibly requiring device makers to print the radiation dose on each X-ray or other image so patients and doctors can see how much was given.

The FDA also is pushing industry and doctors to set standard doses for common tests such as CT scans.

"We are considering requirements and guidelines for record-keeping of dose and other technical parameters of the imaging exam," said Sean Boyd, chief of the FDA's diagnostic devices branch.

A near-term goal: developing a "radiation medical record" to track dose from cradle to grave.

"One of the ways we could improve care is if we had a running sort of Geiger counter" that a doctor checked before ordering a test, said Dr. Prashant Kaul of Duke University.

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Dr. C. Joseph Bennett  
**AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY**

## Cell phones, brain cancer

In the past several years, a great deal of discussion has centered on the worry of brain cancer and the use of cell phones. We were hoping that a large study would finally answer the question, but unfortunately, that is not the case.

Recently, the world's biggest investigation on possible links between cell phone use and brain tumors was reported, and the results are inconclusive, according to scientists who collaborated on the Interphone International Study Group.

Researchers now are stating that restricted ac-

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Dr. Sunil Gandhi  
**CANCER & BLOOD DISEASE**

## Screening breast cancer

Recently, one of the "Sound Off" calls published in the *Citrus County Chronicle* stated the following: "It's mammogram time. Get the mammogram; don't get the mammogram. It's good for you; it's bad for you. I know there's something called the thermogram, but I don't know where in this area I can get one. If anybody out there does, would you please make a mention of it in the local newspaper?"

This was forwarded to me with a request to respond. I am writing the article in response to this call. A mammogram is done to screen for breast

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## Types of hearing loss

Hearing loss is something that we are all going to be faced with at some point in our lives, and some of us will be fortunate and not have to do anything; others will have to seek out help. We first have to understand that there are multiple types of hearing loss. The types of hearing loss have to do with the anatomy of the ear.

We will first go over the basic anatomy:

We have the external ear, which is a cup-like device that gathers sound waves, and then transmits them through the ear canal to the eardrum.

That is a transition to the next section of the ear, which is the mid-

dle ear, which houses three little ear bones that are hooked together, acting like a hydraulic dampening system, basically reducing the sound waves and converting them from an air to a fluid medium, and that portion of the ear is called the "inner ear;" or the cochlea. It is sometimes also referred to as a "hearing organ."

Beyond the three parts of the ear is the hearing nerve, which carries an electrical signal to the brain and the processing centers in the brain, and that is how we hear, very simply stated.

Any problem involving the outer ear, or the middle ear, that prevents

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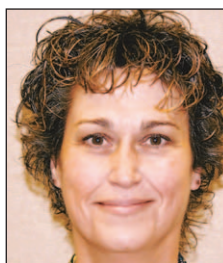


Dr. Denis Grillo  
**EAR, NOSE & THROAT**

## When children struggle with addiction

Our children, we love and we hug them. We instruct, guide, and correct them. We have dreams for their futures — visions of success and achievement. We spend our energy, our time, and our money nurturing them from infancy to adulthood.

Some parents feel pain when their child is hurt, sadness when their child is discouraged, and anger when their child is harmed. It's hard not to swoop in to rescue them from danger, to comfort them, to dry their tears and make them feel safe. Many parents feel that the pri-



Yvonne Hess  
**WALKING THE WALK**

mary focus of their lives is on caretaking, protecting and sacrificing for their child's welfare.

What happens when things go terribly wrong in a child's life? How does a parent cope when their loved one doesn't succeed, does not achieve? How does a parent manage the pain, sadness and anger over a teen or adult child's drug abuse?

Are you one of these parents? Are you overwhelmed by tides of emotions as your child faces ever-worsening consequences? Are your

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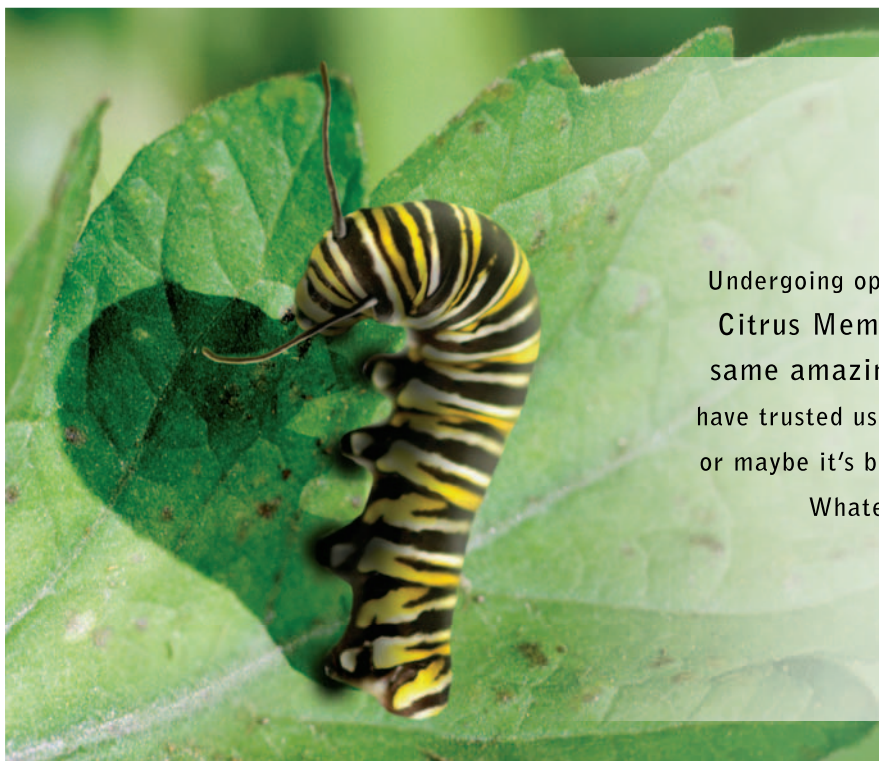
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# Can anything whiten dental crowns?

**Q:** I read your articles each week in the paper and find they are very informative, but have a question you may be able to help me with or not. There are many products out lately for whitening your teeth, and there are pastes and tablets for dentures and partials, but nothing for crowns.



**Dr. Frank Vascimini**  
**SOUND BITES**

I have many that are not as bright and wondered if there is anything to do besides new crowns? Thank you.

**A:** This is a good question — one that makes a lot of sense. The reason that you do not see any products to whiten crowns is that most crowns are made with porcelain.

Because of the nature of porcelain, it will neither darken nor lighten over time. When the crown is made, the porcelain is built up over a metal substructure and put in a furnace to bake. The end result is a crown that is similar to your baked porcelain china. No matter what goes on the plate, it can be wiped off without a lingering stain.

On the other hand, if the staining is topical — or on the top of the porcelain — your hygienist can usually remove it by polishing, either with a rubber cup and dental polish or through the use of a machine that sprays an abrasive along with water. It works similar to sand-

blasting. This is very predictable and is done routinely when you go to the hygienist for your regular hygiene appointments.

Another thing you may be referring to is a darkening of the crown at the area where it meets the gums. If the crown is a porcelain-fused-to-metal crown, as mentioned above, your gums might have receded, showing the margin of the crown. Since the porcelain in this area is very thin, it is not uncommon to see the metal below. Though many people think something can be done to help this situation, it is almost impossible to repair this area with a favorable result.

In order to avoid this happening some dentists use an all-porcelain margin (no metal in the area) or an all-porcelain crown.

The last possibility is that if

your crowns are very old, they may have been made with a metal foundation and acrylic built up on the facing (the part that you see when you smile).

If this were the case, you are almost guaranteed staining over time. The other thing that happens with these is the acrylic wears off and you can start to see the metal underneath.

The good news is that a dentist can remove the old acrylic and place a newer bonded restoration that is more wear-resistant, as well as stain-resistant.

Your dentist will probably tell you that he or she cannot guarantee what they do because you never really know what you are going to find under the acrylic. For this reason you should be prepared to make new crowns if the situation is not favorable.

The other thing that you should note is that you should talk to your dentist about this because he or she can let you know which of the aforementioned scenarios you fall into.

They can tell you how confident they are about fixing an acrylic facing, as in the last scenario I mentioned. As dentists, we can usually tell you if we think it will work or that you may be better off leaving it alone.

I hope this information helps you and doesn't confuse matters more.

*Dr. Frank Vascimini is a Homosassa dentist. Send your questions to 4805 S. Suncoast Blvd., Homosassa, FL 34446 or e-mail them to him at info@masterpiece dentalstudio.com.*

## Health NOTES

■ **LifeSouth bloodmobile** schedule for June. To find a donor center or a blood drive near you, call 527-3061. Donors must be at least 17, or 16 with parental permission, weigh a minimum of 110 pounds and be in good health to be eligible to donate. A photo ID is also required.

The Lecanto branch office is at 1241 S. Lecanto Highway (County Road 491) and the Inverness branch is at 301 W. Main St. Both centers are open from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays and 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturdays. The centers stay open late Wednesdays, until 7 p.m. The Lecanto center is also open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sundays.

Visit [www.lifesouth.org](http://www.lifesouth.org) for details.

● 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. today, Walmart Super Center, 2461 W. Gulf-to-Lake Highway, Inverness.

● Noon to 4 p.m. Wednesday, American Legion Post 155, 6585 W. Gulf-to-Lake Highway, Crystal River.

● 9 to 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, Walgreens, 310 N.E. U.S. 19, Crystal River.

● 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday, Citrus Kia, 1850 S.E. U.S. 19, Crystal River.

● 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, Subway, 2639 E. Gulf-to-Lake Highway, Inverness.

● 6 to 8 p.m. Friday, Walmart Super Center, 2461 W. Gulf-to-Lake Highway, Inverness.

● 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Homosassa Springs Wildlife State Park, 4150 S. Suncoast Blvd., Homosassa.

● 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, Crystal River Mall, 1900 U.S. 19, Crystal River.

● 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sunday, First Presbyterian Church, 206 Washington Ave., Inverness.

● 2 to 6 p.m. Sunday, Sonic Drive In, 310 S.E. U.S. 19, Crystal River.

● 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday, Walmart Super Center, 2461 W. Gulf-to-Lake Highway, Inverness.

● 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday, June 29, Domino's Pizza, 213 Highlands Blvd., Inverness.

● 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday, June 30, Bealls, 346 N. Suncoast Blvd., Crystal River.

● 2 to 9 p.m. Wednesday, June 30, Regal Cinemas Crystal River Mall, 1801 N.W. U.S. 19, Crystal River.

■ Arbor Trail Rehab & Skilled Nursing Facility will host a **blood drive** from noon to 4 p.m. Wednesday, July 7, in cooperation with LifeSouth Community Blood Centers. We are seeking community members interested in donating blood to the humanitarian organization that helps to save lives. Parti-

pants are required to bring a photo ID.

■ **"Feel Better" Blood Drive**, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, July 17, in the Parish Life Center at Our Lady of Grace Church in Beverly Hills. Complimentary continental breakfast, souvenir T-shirt and a free cholesterol reading. A photo ID is required and you must be 16 or older and at least 110 pounds. Call Barbara Waitkevich at 249-7394 or Don Irwin at 527-8450.

■ **Free diabetes screenings**, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. today, at Kmart Pharmacy, 1801 N.W. U.S. 19, Crystal River. Call Cholestcheck at (800) 713-3301, no appointment necessary.

■ **DUNNELLON** — Free six-week **"Lunch And Learn"** senior health program from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. Wednesdays, presented by Integrity Home Health Care. Complimentary lunch and venue will be provided by Hampton Manor Garden Assisted Living Facility. For information and to RSVP for specific presentations, call Lisa Beans at (352) 489-9698.

Hampton Manor Gardens is at 12080 S.W. County Road 484, Dunnellon.

● Wednesday — "Medication Management" by Casey Dana, R.N., Integrity Home Health Care.

● June 30 — "Pain Management" by Sherry Teague, PTA, CFO, Integrity Home Health Care.

■ **Doctors of Kinnard Chiropractic** give **weekly health talks** at 5:30 p.m. Thursdays at Kinnard Chiropractic Office, 2611 State Road 44 Inverness. Call to reserve a seat, 726-0554.

■ **HPH Hospice** free community program to help individuals navigate the Medicare health care matrix. Guest speaker Will Whitten will discuss the many parts of Medicare from 1 to 3 p.m. Thursday, at the administrative office in Beverly Hills on County Road 491 (3545 N. Lecanto Highway). Reservations are preferred. Call Wendy Hall at 527-4600 for further information or to register.

HPH Hospice is a not-for-profit agency that provides care, comfort and support to individuals and families affected by a life limiting illness regardless of their ability to pay in Citrus, Pasco and Hernando counties. Visit the website at [www.HPH-Hospice.org](http://www.HPH-Hospice.org).

■ **Free seminar** on "Reducing Your Health Care Costs" at 1 p.m. Saturday, at Doctor Vitamin Store, 3930 S. Suncoast Blvd., Homosassa, in the Publix shopping center. Limited seating, call 628-7036.

■ **"The Great Republican Smoke Out Mission"** by The West Central Florida Region of the Ronald Reagan Republican Assembly of Florida Inc. We invite other community/political organizations to join us in this permanent community mission for a healthier Citrus County, state of Florida and USA. To help and join us in this effort and/or for those who would like to commit to just stop smoking (your name will be added to our "Smoke Out Mission Accomplished Roster"), call 257-5381.

■ **Diabetes classes** are offered from 9 to 10 a.m. Mondays at the Citrus County Health Department in Lecanto. Classes are free. No registration is required.

● **Avoiding complications** — Monday.

Fasting blood sugars are offered from 8 to 9 a.m. Monday through Friday in all three Citrus County Health Department sites. There is a \$10 fee for this service. No appointment is necessary. Every Monday before the Lecanto class, anyone who would like to have a blood sugar test should come fasting.

Call Anne Black, 527-0068, ext. 240, or Carol Burke, R.D., 726-5222.

■ **Join the free LifeSharers** program to donate your organs. Everyone is welcome to join LifeSharers. There is neither age requirement nor limit and parents can enroll their minor children as well. Pre-existing medical conditions do not exclude you from becoming a member. Even if you are already a registered organ donor, you can improve your chances of getting an organ if you ever need one by joining LifeSharers.

Visit the website to join online at [www.lifesharers.org](http://www.lifesharers.org).

From 5 to 8 p.m. the first Tuesday monthly (July 6), Applebee's at 1901 Main St. in Inverness has "Dining to Donate" — 10 percent of the guests' bill will be sent to the corporate office of LifeSharers. A flyer must be presented: e-mail Anna DiPleco at [ananna@aol.com](mailto:ananna@aol.com) (with the subject Re: LifeSharers) for a copy of the flyer for presentation. Call DiPleco at 726-8489 to answer any questions.

■ **Free diabetes screenings**, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday, July 6, at Walgreens, 4029 S. Suncoast Blvd., Homosassa. Call Cholestcheck at (800) 713-3301, no appointment necessary.

■ **Free cholesterol and diabetes screenings**, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, July 9, at Winn-Dixie Pharmacy, 333 Highland Ave. Space 600, Inverness. Call Cholestcheck at (800) 713-

3301, no appointments.

■ **"Inside Autism: Caring for Children with Autism Spectrum Disorder,"** 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, July 24, at Seven Rivers Presbyterian Church. Registration fee: \$20 Call Sherri at (352) 447-1775 or e-mail: [isaiahfoundation@ymail.com](mailto:isaiahfoundation@ymail.com) Seating limited. Supported by United Way of Citrus County.

■ **"Smile for School Program,"** Aug. 6 invited dentists to provide free back-to-school checkups and cleaning for kids. Children up to age 18 who have proof of registration at school can receive — from participating dentists — a free cleaning, black-and-white X-rays, a written plan of teeth with decay and a copy of the X-rays for the parents to take with them.

Dentists who would like to participate in the Aug. 6 "Smile for School Program" can visit

[www.SmileForSchool.com](http://www.SmileForSchool.com) for information or to sign up.

### Support GROUPS

■ **SPRING HILL — Leukemia/ Lymphoma Support Group**, 5 to 6:30 p.m. the fourth Tuesday monthly at the Florida Cancer Institute — New Hope's Spring Hill Center, 10441 Quality Drive, Suite 203 in the Medical Arts Building next to Spring Hill Hospital. Call Jeff Haight, R.N., group facilitator, at (352) 688-7744.

■ **Caregivers' Support and Information** meeting, 1 p.m. the fourth Tuesday monthly at St. Timothy Lutheran Church, 1070 N. Suncoast Blvd., Crystal River. Call Charlotte Downing at 422-7044 for directions/information. Refreshments served. Today: "Making Room for Spirituality" by the Rev. Sheryle Lyman, an HPH Hospice chaplain.

■ **Look Good ... Feel**

**Better**, a free two-hour session for women undergoing radiation or chemotherapy, at 3 p.m. the second Wednesday monthly at the Cancer & Blood Disease Center, Lecanto, and 3 p.m. the fourth Wednesday monthly at the Robert Boissoneault Oncology Institute, Lecanto. Call Joann Brown at 341-7741 or the American Cancer Society at (800) 395-5665 to register.

■ **PINELLAS PARK — "Connections"** fireside-discussion-style support group for cancer patients, 7 p.m. the last Thursday monthly, WellSpring Oncology, 6600 66th St. N., Pinellas Park, (727) 343-0600; [www.wellspringoncology.org](http://www.wellspringoncology.org).

■ **SPRING HILL — Stroke Support Group**, noon the fourth Thursday monthly at HealthSouth Rehabilitation Hospital in the private dining room. Call Pam McDonald at (352) 346-6359.

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# Sign up for FamilyWize

*United Way has prescription for immediate savings*

*Special to the Chronicle*

United Way of Citrus County and FamilyWize announce savings of \$103,000 in everyday prescription costs for local residents.

The United Way and FamilyWize are proud to announce that their partnership has saved the people living and working in Citrus County more than \$103,000 on everyday prescription costs.

The free FamilyWize drug discount card is distributed by United Way of Citrus County. "No one should be forced to choose between paying for food, rent or medicine because of the high cost of prescriptions. That's why we've partnered with FamilyWize to distribute free prescription discount

cards to everyone in Citrus County", said John Marmish, executive director of the United Way of Citrus County.

Distributed through United Ways, the FamilyWize card lowers the cost of medicine by an average of 30 percent or more for people without insurance or who take medications not covered by their plan. It's easy. It's just like a coupon you can keep using every time you need to fill a prescription. All you have to do is present a FamilyWize card at a local pharmacy to get the savings.

"The FamilyWize card provides immediate savings on prescription medicines with no paperwork or forms to fill out," said Dan Barnes, co-chair of The FamilyWize Community Service Partnership.

These cards can be used by everyone in the community, not just people without insurance. They can even be used by people with health benefits, including Medicaid or Medicare.

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FamilyWize cards can be found locally by sending a stamped, self-addressed envelope to United Way of Citrus County, 1205 N.E. Fifth St., Suite A, Crystal River, FL 34429-4523. People with Internet access can go to www.citrusunitedway.org or to www.FamilyWize.org and print a card, look up drug prices and obtain a list of participating pharmacies.

# Citrus Memorial, United Healthcare strike service deal

*Special to the Chronicle*

United Healthcare to offer members in-network access to Citrus Memorial for hospital and primary care services

UnitedHealthcare, a UnitedHealth Group company, and Citrus Memorial Health System today announced a new network agreement to include UnitedHealthcare's Medicare Advantage and commercial insurance plans. Beginning July 1, individuals enrolled in these UnitedHealthcare plans will have in-network access to Citrus Memorial Health hospital, Citrus Primary Care physicians, and Citrus Memorial's specialists in the

areas of orthopedics, cardiac surgery, anesthesia, wound care and physical therapy.

UnitedHealthcare offers Medicare Advantage plans that carry the SecureHorizons, AARP and Evercare brands.

"This new agreement expands our network for Medicare beneficiaries in West Florida and builds upon our strong relationship with Citrus Memorial Health System," said Kathy Winans, UnitedHealthcare executive director in Florida.

"Citrus Memorial is looking forward to our new and expanded partnership with UnitedHealthcare," said Mark Williams, Citrus Memorial chief financial officer.

# BENNETT

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cess to participants compromised the validity of results of the study published in the May 18 International Journal of Epidemiology. The findings of the Interphone Study are ambiguous and, unfortunately, do not answer the question of safety.

The Interphone International Study Group, which examined whether cellular radio frequencies could be correlated to brain tumors, was coordinated by the International Agency for Research on Cancer. The investigation was led by 21 epidemiologists from Australia, Canada, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Israel, Italy, Japan, New Zealand, Norway, Sweden and the United Kingdom.

More than 10,000 people took part in the study: cell phone users, non-cell phone users, cell phone users who survived brain cancer, as well as brain cancer survivors who had never used cell phones.

If we combine all users and compare them with non-users, the Interphone Study found no increase in brain cancer among users. In fact, surprisingly, the study found

that when the researchers combine users independently of the amount of use, they had lower brain cancer risks than non-users. However, the study also found heavy users of cell phones appeared to be at a higher risk of brain tumors than non-users.

Why the discrepancy?

Simply put, scientists are unsure. Attention has focused on the methodology of the study and, in particular, on the representativeness of the study subjects who participated. With participation rates in the range of 50 percent to 60 percent of eligible subjects, it is possible that the participants did not provide an accurate portrait of cell phone usage among cancer cases and among healthy control subjects. Other researchers argue that the problem arose because of constraints imposed on researchers by ethics committees intended to protect potential research subjects.

Ethics reviews are now so rigid that scientists from Canada, the United States and Europe are losing the kind of access to medical databases and to study subjects that is needed to conduct studies such as this one.

Ethics committees increasingly require that researchers work through treating physicians, pro-

fessionals who are already overworked, to recruit their patients. This may work for clinical research exploring treatment of cancer, in which physicians often have a professional or personal interest, but it does not work for investigations into the causes of cancer. This flawed system can produce biased study results.

Despite the inconclusive results of the Interphone Study, consumers should not panic about possible risks related to cell phones. If there are risks, they are probably pretty small.

Should anyone be concerned about potential dangers of cell phones, they can remedy the issue by using hands-free devices and avoid exposure to radio frequencies around the head. Also, use cell phones in moderation, not attached to your ear 24 hours a day.

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# GANDHI

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cancer. Breast cancer is the most common cancer in women. In general, when we diagnose breast cancer early, we have a higher chance of cure. Mammograms help achieve this by detecting small breast masses that are still not palpable.

Unfortunately, some of this becomes confusing to the general public due to recent information in the news media about the utility of mammograms. There is some controversy about who should be and who should not be screened.

A mammogram is a little difficult to interpret in very young women with dense breasts. So women younger than 50 may not benefit from the use of regular mammograms. A digital mammogram is a little superior to a regular mammogram in women with dense breasts.

The American Cancer Society and most major organizations endorse annual mammograms as the best screening tool for breast cancer. Most believe that it saves many lives. In women 50 and older, it should be done once a year. There is some controversy about routine

annual mammograms in women between 40 and 50 years of age. This should be an individualized option.

Thermogram of the breasts is another option, which is well advertised on the Internet. There is absolutely no large-scale study or any reasonable study done to prove its value in screening. At this time, I personally would not recommend it for screening. MRI of the breasts and PET mammograms are also available, but they should not be used in routine screening, either.

In short, I strongly recommend routine annual mammograms to every woman 50 years of age and older. Woman between the ages of 40 and 50 should also consider it very seriously. They should get digital mammograms. I do not recommend thermogram or ultrasound of the breasts as a routine screening study. I hope this clarifies the matter.

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# HESS

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relationships in conflict due to your concern for your adult child? Do other family members and friends not understand why you are so focused on helping your child, even to the point of being critical or angry with you?

If you answered "yes" to any of the above questions, you're in the company of thousands of families of addicts. You know what it's like to be caught up in the turmoil of the lives of active addicts. You've felt the agonizing grief of watching your loved one slowly deteriorating in front of you — from that special blessing of a child into a self-absorbed person-less shell willing to lie and cheat and steal anything from anyone.

You fear the child could get caught and do jail time. Yet you fear she could die if she doesn't get caught. Every time you reach out you get wounded — emotionally, financially, even physically. Yet it seems impossible to not reach out, to try once more; maybe it will be better

this time.

Some years ago the concept of "co-dependency" was developed by author Melody Beattie. Her clinical practice focused on the families of addicts by helping them to understand how complex and complicated their relationships were. She established a new field in addictions treatment that worked on the issues of family members: teaching self-care skills, building effective boundaries, and learning to break out of the double binds that are inherent in relationships with addicts.

Melody's work developed strategies for working through the powerlessness and shame families can feel. As a therapist, I use these techniques with families to resolve the double binds, defenses and denial structure, shame-based self-assessment, and create more effective ways of relating to oneself, family and the addict.

Citrus County has several ways family members of people in active addiction can receive support and help. Ala-non 12-step groups assist family and friends move into healthy relationship styles —

locations available online. Celebrate Recovery is a faith-based 12-step program with two locations: Seven Rivers Presbyterian and Gulf to Lake churches. The Citrus County Health Department is beginning a weekly drop-in group in mid July called "Connections." Contact the Phoenix Program for dates and time.

Struggling in a relationship with an active addict is an extremely difficult journey. Isolation and shame are the two greatest barriers to healthy living for family members. There is relief and peace in the recovery path for family — even if the addict cannot or will not choose recovery for herself.

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# Sign up for free class June 30

## Disaster preparedness program at Seven Rivers Regional Medical Center

Special to the Chronicle

As a free service to the community, the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) of Citrus County is working to educate citizens about the importance of disaster preparedness. Their goal is to educate 500 citizens through the course of four months with dis-

aster preparedness and response training.

At 1 p.m. Wednesday, June 30, Seven Rivers Regional Medical Center hosts "Save Lives. Be Prepared."

Vicky Iozzia, an RSVP volunteer who has received special training in disaster preparedness using Federal Emergency Management

Agency (FEMA) course materials, leads the class. Attendees are taught the importance of having a survival kit and communications plan.

Disasters include natural and manmade hazards — everything from hurricanes, floods, tornadoes, wild fires and extreme heat to hazardous materials incidents, chemical emergencies and radiation leaks.

Knowing what to do before, during and after a disaster saves lives and vital resources. To be prop-

erly prepared, you should know about local emergency plans, understand how to identify hazards that affect your local area and develop and maintain an emergency communications plan and disaster supplies kit. You'll also want to know about evacuation routes, emergency public shelters, animals during a disaster and information specific to people with disabilities.

All participants receive the FEMA "Are You Ready?" guide to citizen preparedness along with

other helpful handouts including hazard information; a disaster kit supplies list and evacuation maps.

For registration and more information, call Vicky Iozzia at 563-2651 or send an e-mail to vickyi@embarqmail.com.

Seven Rivers Regional Medical Center, a 128-bed general, medical/surgical acute care facility serving Citrus, Levy and South Marion counties, opened its doors in 1978.

Visit the website at [www.srrmc.com](http://www.srrmc.com).

## SCANS

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He led an eye-opening study that found that U.S. heart attack patients get the radiation equivalent of 850 chest X-rays over the first few days they are in the hospital — much of it for repeat tests that may not have been needed.

How much radiation is risky?

It's hard to say. The best guess is based on the 1986 Chernobyl nuclear power plant accident and studies of Japanese atomic bomb survivors who had excess cancer risk after exposures of 50 to 150 millisieverts (a measure of dose) of radiation.

A chest or abdominal CT scan involves 10 to 20 millisieverts, versus 0.01 to 0.1 for an ordinary chest X-ray, less than 1 for a mammogram, and as little as 0.005 for a dental X-ray. Natural radiation from the sun and soil accounts for about 2 millisieverts a year.

A big study last year estimated that 4 million Americans get more than 20 millisieverts a year from medical imaging. Two percent of people in the study had high exposure — 20 to 50 millisieverts.

Another study by Columbia University researchers, published in 2007, estimated that in a few decades, as many as 2 percent of all cancers in the U.S. might be due to radiation from CT scans given now. Since previous studies suggest that a third of all tests are unnecessary, 20 million adults and more

than 1 million children are needlessly being put at risk, they concluded.

Just because a scan didn't find anything wrong doesn't mean a test wasn't needed. Scans are useful for many diagnoses. But many studies suggest people are getting too much imaging now. For example, Mayo Clinic researchers reviewed the medical records of 251 people given heart scans in 2007 and found that only a quarter of them were clearly appropriate.

Reasons for overuse:
 

- Accuracy and ease of use. Scans have become a crutch for doctors afraid of using exams and judgment to make a diagnosis. Some think a picture tells more than it does. Imaging that shows arthritis in a knee or back problems doesn't reveal how to make it better, said Dr. Richard Baron, a primary care doctor in Philadelphia.

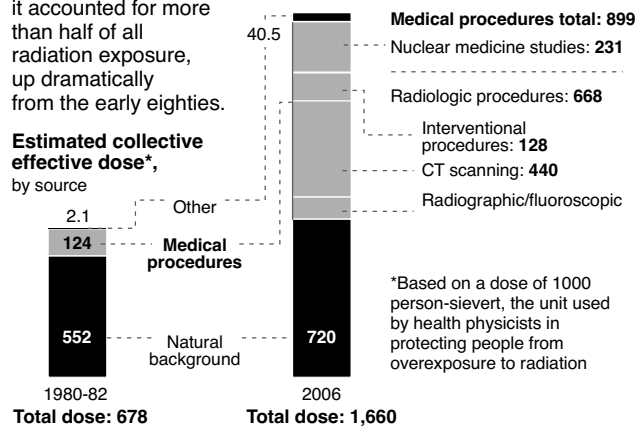
"Physical therapy for an orthopedic injury is always the first choice," yet doctors rush to order tests, he said. "The question you should be asking when you do sophisticated imaging is, 'Is there something I can fix with an operation?'"

■ Malpractice fear. A missed heart attack or a burst appendix could be devastating for a patient — and mean a lawsuit.

"I have great sympathy for the ER physicians because of the responsibility placed in their hands with strangers that come in off the street," said Louis Wagner, chief physician at the University of Texas in Houston. "They have to make a decision that

## Medical tests major source of radiation

Americans get the most medical radiation in the world. In 2006, it accounted for more than half of all radiation exposure, up dramatically from the early eighties.



SOURCE: Radiology magazine

AP

could mean life or death for a patient, and the fastest way to find out is CT."

■ Patient pressure. People urge doctors to "do something" to figure out what's wrong, and "often, doctors feel that the way to demonstrate that they're doing something is to order tests," said Dr. Christopher Casady, a radiologist at Texas Childrens Hospital and the American Academy of Pediatrics' expert on this topic.

At his hospital, doctors first do an ultrasound on suspected appendicitis cases instead of rushing into a CT scan. Ultrasounds require no radiation.

■ Health care chaos. One doctor may not know that another has ordered the same test. If a patient is referred to a specialist, "it's often easier for him to order another study than to figure out how to get the one that was done somewhere else," Baron said.

■ Insurance issues. X-rays

## OFTEN OVERUSED

■ routine chest X-rays when people are admitted to a hospital or before surgery.

■ imaging tests on car crash victims who don't show signs of head or abdominal injuries

■ low-back X-rays in older people with degenerative, but stable, spine conditions.

Source: the International Commission on Radiological Protection

often are required by insurers to prove health, or for students to study abroad.

■ Availability. Rural hospitals may not have an ultrasound technologist on duty in the wee hours, but imaging machines are always there.

■ Treatment choice. A quick fix for chest pain — artery-opening angioplasty — requires far more imaging

## GRILLO

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sound from reaching the inner ear, or the cochlea, is called a conductive hearing loss. That could be as simple as an amputation of the external ear, or a narrowing or blockage of the canal, or a problem with the little ear bones not working well. Ear wax, ear infections, fluid, a hole in the eardrum, can all affect conductive hearing loss.

Fortunately, the vast majority of conductive hearing loss is temporary and can be fixed in a few days, and some of the worst problems such as a hole in the eardrum and problems with the ear bones can be re-

paired surgically with relative ease.

Sensorineural hearing loss, or as it is called commonly, "nerve deafness," is caused by damage to the inner ear — the cochlea, the hearing organ, whatever you wish to call it. Damage to the inner ear can come from trauma, aging, noise exposure, viral infections, certain potent medications such as IV antibiotics and chemotherapy, to name a few.

There is a third variety of hearing loss called "mixed," which is a combination of the first two, conductive and sensorineural.

So now that you know all about the types of hearing loss, if you suspect that you have one of these problems, what should you do?

Well, the first thing you should ask yourself is: Are you are having trouble with the television or the telephone, difficulty hearing the doorbell, or buzzers, or timing devices that you normally could hear in the past?

Do you make comments such as, "People mumble, and do not speak clearly"; "There's too much music on TV and movies, and I cannot understand them any longer and do not enjoy them"?

These might suggest that you have some hearing loss issues that should be checked out.

If you are asking friends and family to repeat themselves, and you feel your ears are full and not clear, and if you look back and find that you are avoiding

situations, social encounters, because you are not enjoying them as much as you used to, you may simply have a hearing loss that could be easily corrected and you could return to normal enjoyable activity.

If you continue to believe that it is everybody else's problem and not yours, you should be aware that, generally speaking, healthy individuals should have their ears checked about every three to four years as they age.

So it might be a good idea to think about having your doctor check things out.

Denis Grillo, D.O., FOCOO, is an ear, nose and throat specialist in Crystal River. Call him at 795-0011.

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4 p.m.	Red, White & Blue Beer Belly Contest - The Shed
4 - 6 p.m.	Last Card Down - Riverside Monkey Bar
4:30 p.m.	Blue Crab Races - The Freezer
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## NOTICE OF INTENT TO CONSIDER AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND COMPREHENSIVE PLAN TEXT AND GENERALIZED FUTURE LAND USE MAP (GFLUM)

The Citrus County Board of County Commissioners (BCC) proposes to adopt the following by ordinance:

**2010 1st Large Scale Cycle Amendments**

**Comprehensive Plan Amendment CPA-10-04 (formerly known as CPA/AA-10-04) - Coastal Engineering for Midwest Systems**  
 Comprehensive Future Land Use Map amendment to redesignate approximately 326 acres from AGR, Agricultural District, to RMU, Residential Mixed Use District; to amend the text of the Future Land Use Element of the Comprehensive Plan to allow RMU designation outside the County's Planned Service Area (PSA), in the Central Ridge, with appropriate infrastructure; and to establish Subarea Policies, applicable to this application, to allow residential and nonresidential uses, to limit density/intensity, to provide infrastructure requirements, and to require a future Master Plan. The subject property includes one parcel located in Section 12, Township 18 South, Range 17 East. Further described as Parcel 30000. The subject property is located to the west of the Pine Ridge subdivision and is currently accessed from 6580 W. Calvary Lane (Crystal River Area). Complete legal description is on file with Community Development Division.

**Comprehensive Plan Amendment CPA-10-05 (formerly known as CPA/AA-10-05) - Coastal Engineering for George L. Southworth**  
 Comprehensive Future Land Use Map amendment to redesignate approximately 479 acres from AGR, Agricultural District, and RUR, Rural Residential District, to RMU, Residential Mixed Use District to amend the text of the Future Land Use Element of the Comprehensive Plan to allow RMU designation outside the County's Planned Service Area (PSA), in the Central Ridge, with appropriate infrastructure; and to establish Subarea Policies, applicable to this application, to allow residential and nonresidential uses, to limit density/intensity, to provide infrastructure requirements, to provide compliance with Coastal High Hazard (CHHA) criteria, and to require a future Master Plan. The subject property includes multiple parcels and lots located in Section 11, Township 18 South, Range 17 East. Further described as Parcel 20000; Lots 1A010, 1A020, 1A050-0030, 1A050-0040, 1A060-0010, 1A060-0080, 1A060-0090, 1A060-0130, 1A060-0140, 1A090, 1A100, 1A110, 1A120, 1A130-0010, 1A130-0020, 1A130-0030, 1A130-0040, 42300-0010, 42300-0020, and 42300-0030; located to the south of 7715 W. Gum Street. The subject property also includes multiple parcels and lots located in Section 14, Township 18 South, Range 17 East. Further described as Parcel 14000, Parcel 41000 and Parcel 44100; located to the north of the Progress Energy right-of-way and Lots 1-22.1 and 1-22.2. Lots 42000-0010 through 42000-0300 (of W. L. Keith Unrecorded Subdivision), and Parcel 13400; located to the south of the Progress Energy right-of-way and to the east of N. Holiday Drive; and Parcel 12000 and Parcel 21000; located to the north of the Progress Energy right-of-way and to the east of N. Brookshire Point N. Lonsome Trail (Crystal River Area). Complete legal description is on file with Community Development Division.

The public hearing on the Ordinance will be held on **Tuesday, July 13, 2010, 5:01 P.M.**, in Room 100, Citrus County Courthouse, 110 N. Apopka Avenue, Inverness, Florida. (Rescheduled from June 15th, 2010)

Interested parties may appear at the hearing and be heard regarding the proposed amendment.

**LOCATOR MAP**

A copy of the proposed Ordinance and supporting materials are available for public inspection and copying between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, at the Community Development Division, Suite 140, 3600 W. Sovereign Path, Lecanto, Florida 34461. For more information about this application please contact a Planner at the Department of Development Services (352) 527-5239. Information regarding the Land Development Code or Comprehensive Plan is available on the internet at <http://www.bccc.citrus.fl.us> (Click on the Community Development link).

If any person decides to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at this hearing, he or she will need a record of the proceedings, and for such purpose, he or she may need to insure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes all testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

Persons who require special accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act or persons who require translation services (free of charge) should contact the County Administrator's Office, Citrus County Courthouse, 110 North Apopka Avenue, Room 100, Inverness, Florida, 34450 (352) 341-6560. If you are hearing or speech impaired, use the TDD telephone (352) 341-6580.

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**News NOTES**

**Sugar Babes will gather Wednesday**

The June meeting of the Sugar Babes Doll and Teddy Bear club will be at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at the Cozy Country Kitchen, 5705 W. Gulf-to-Lake Highway, Crystal River.

Wendy Hall, community liaison officer for the HPH Hospice unit in Beverly Hills, will talk about Hospice services available for elderly and terminally ill people in the community. She will answer questions from the group. Hall also plans to return for the November meeting to talk to any members not present in June. Hostess Francine Klug will then present her program about miniatures.

Sugar Babes Doll Club does not meet in July. The next get-together will be an informal luncheon in August.

Guests and new members are welcome. Call Francine at 794-0070 or Barbara at 344-1423.

**Aviation group to do Student Night**

Citrus Aviation Association will have its annual Student Night at 6:30 p.m. Thursday at Crystal River Airport on U.S. 19. Members of the association will be present to answer any questions anyone may have about learning to fly or about the airport itself.

This will be an informal event and everyone is invited. There will be airplanes on static display to look at and enjoy. Familiarization flights will be available for the interested prospective students.

One of the goals of the Aviation Association is to introduce the joys of flying to young aviators. Careers in aviation, both civil and military, are in high demand. The student pilot must meet all of the FAA requirements to be able to solo an aircraft and must be 16 years old before soloing.

**Library offers HTML class**

Do you want to learn how to do more than just surf the web and send e-mails? Sign up for the Hot Tech Topics: HTML class. This class will teach you the basics for the language that makes web pages work.

The class is from 10:15 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. Friday at the Central Ridge Library. Classes are free. For more information, call 746-6622.

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**Gigi**



Special to the Chronicle  
**A move out of the county to a "no pets" apartment means sisters Gigi and Gidget need a new home ASAP. They are purebred Maine coon cats who look more like twins; Gidget is a slightly lighter gray. Both are up to date on vaccines, microchipped, spayed and strictly indoor pets. They can be a little shy when meeting new people, so they may need a little time to adjust to a new environment, would probably do better in a home without small children, and as they have never been separated, adopting both is preferred. Call Precious Paws at 726-4700 or check out preciouspawsflorida.com. We always are in need of volunteers and fosters.**

# Ronald to read this summer

## Popular clown will visit county libraries

Special to the Chronicle

Ronald McDonald will bring stories, songs and magic to local libraries as part of the Citrus County Library System's summer reading programs. He will appear according to the following schedule:

■ Friday, July 2  
 10:30 a.m. — Homosassa Public Library.  
 1:30 p.m. — Central Ridge Li-

brary, Beverly Hills.  
 ■ Saturday, July 10  
 10:30 a.m. — Coastal Region Library, Crystal River.  
 1:30 p.m. — Lakes Region Library, Inverness.

Incorporating magic and audience participation, Ronald helps children get excited about reading. The program reinforces that "what's on the inside" — qualities of trustworthiness, respect, responsibility

and fairness — is what really counts. Ronald uses interactive skits, magic tricks, music and lots of laughter to make this message memorable to children. These reading programs are well suited to the younger child (pre-K through fifth grade).

After each Summer Reading Celebrations program, children are encouraged to select books they can borrow to read at home. They will be able to explore subjects introduced during the sessions in more depth through a variety of library materials. Children who visit the li-

brary and read over the summer keep their brains active and re-enter school ready to learn and succeed.

For more information on all summer programs visit the CCLS website at [www.citruslibraries.org](http://www.citruslibraries.org), or phone your local library branch, Central Ridge Library, Beverly Hills — 746-6622; Coastal Region Library, Crystal River — 795-3716; Lakes Region Library, Inverness — 726-2357; Floral City Public Library — 726-3671; and Homosassa Public Library — 628-5626.

## New Spanish American Club officers



Special to the Chronicle  
**At the June 5 Anniversary and Installation Dinner Dance of the Spanish American Club of Citrus County, Judge Mark Yerman (far left) officiated in the swearing-in of the new board. Pictured with Judge Yerman are President Olga Heineman, Vice President Irma Ramirez, Treasurer Margarita Morales, Recording Secretary Josie Coury, Corresponding Secretary Maritza Soto and directors Myriam Cortes, Marie Alesi, Phil Ramirez and Benny Cruz. Unable to attend was director Ralph Morales. The club can be reached by calling Heineman at 249-7235.**

## New Jersey, Friends Club changes meeting date

Special to the Chronicle

The monthly meeting of the New Jersey and Friends Club will be at 1 p.m. Monday, July 12, due to the holiday, at VFW Post 4252, State Road 200, in Hernando.

The activities for July will be a late lunch at the Mango Grill in Cit-

rus Springs on July 7; a trip to the Show Palace in Hudson to see "Red, White & Blue Tuna" on July 17 and dinner at Cody's in Crystal River on July 28. Contact Frank Sasse' for further details: (352) 489-0053.

If you haven't visited our website, check it out. It lists all the coming activities, meeting info and the hap-

penings of our Club. Go online to <http://njclubfl.tripod.com/>.

We ask all those who are attending our meeting, to continue to bring food items and/or clothing for the Family Resource Center of Citrus County.

If you are looking to have some fun and laughs, join us at 10 a.m.

Thursdays at the Beverly Hills Bowl, on County Road 491, Good bowlers are welcome, so-so bowlers will feel right at home.

The New Jersey Club is a very friendly and active social club with "no residency requirement" to join to have a good time. For more information, call 527-3568.

## Elvis tribute performer wows Crystal River audience

The Port Hotel's Ale House (formerly Port Paradise) has successfully launched its first dinner theater with the "America's Most Authentic Elvis" presentation. Warm summer breezes wafted over us on the veranda as we were royally entertained and gifted by Elvis tribute artist Barry Porter of Sanford. In attendance was Roy Strauss, personal pilot for the "King," who shared with us his up-close-and-personal relationship with the late Elvis Presley, the unopposed "King" of rock 'n' roll.

With more than 100 shows a year, Porter has the definitive look and sensual, yet endearing moves of Elvis, with hours of research and viewing of Elvis' movies and tour tapes. Porter's manager, Tammy Marshall, captivated us with her insightful memories of Elvis, the man and the iconic entertainment, throughout the show as music from "Viva, Las Vegas," "Aloha" and the "68 Comeback Special" were highlighted. We hung on every word.

Porter mingled among us, serenaded us on bended knee, gave us

not only scarves and Hawaiian leis, but kisses, as well. Men accompanying the overflowing crowd of females were given hearty handshakes.

It was inconceivable that Porter had only five years of coast-to-coast Elvis tributes to his credit. An endearing performer, he has captured the secret of affectionate eye contact with those he serenades, as though the two of us were alone on a deserted Hawaiian sandy beach. It was a homecoming of sorts, remembering the king's stay at Port Paradise during the filming of "Follow That Dream" in 1961. Some of Elvis' playful antics while there were recalled, particularly the surprise of finding crabs in the pool when staff went for a swim. We heard the ever-polite Elvis expression — "thank you, very much" — often throughout the tribute.

Gifts of bears were given as Porter sang "Teddy Bear" and along with them, a kiss. Photo ops abounded. Porter even remembered to say "I hope this suit doesn't tear," as he sang "Caught in a Trap"

recalling his triumph sell-out concerts in Vegas. Often, we were surprised with opportunities to complete a line or two when Porter placed the mike in front of us. Son Barry Porter II served as sound engineer.

Swooning, clapping to the beat, squeals of delight at Porter's authentic moves continued for the three-hour delivery of more than 60 Elvis songs, following the sumptuous prime rib dinner. Birthday and anniversary couples were recognized. "Poke Salad Annie" brought wild applause and enthusiastic patrons surrendered to the temptation to dance in the aisles. Imitation \$20 bills were flung into the crowd as Porter belted out "Viva, Las Vegas." Where was an Ann-Margret look-alike when we needed her?

Ron Strauss of Ormond Beach, Elvis' private pilot, flew the "Lisa Marie" for Elvis. With more than 30,000 flight hours, he retired from the airlines in 2004 and has flown everywhere but Russia. Uneasy with flying, Elvis had confidence in Strauss, but never had any desire to pilot a plane. He vividly recalled the amazing generosity of Elvis, recalling the four Cadillacs and a pickup truck he bought at 2 a.m. from a surprised dealership for cash. Bought

with tips from Elvis, Strauss still has his '73 corvette. Asked if he'd like to sell it by a concert guest, we heard a resounding "no!"

Rebounding from the shivers as Porter sang "Fever" in his white-studded jumpsuit from "Blue Hawaii," we thrilled to "Rock a Hula Baby." Requests were written as we entered and my favorite "Hawaiian Wedding Song" was sung to me; I couldn't resist joining in the chorus: "I do love you with all my heart."

What a memory to cherish, that special Elvis tribute evening with America's most authentic Elvis. Strauss volunteers to visit care centers and community centers to relive his time with Elvis, to the delight of Elvis fans now in retirement years. Having attended two Florida Elvis concerts in Tampa and Lakeland, it was especially reflective of the life of the one and only Elvis Presley for this writer... a forever fan.

Ruth Levins participates in a variety of projects around the community. Let her know about your group's upcoming activities by writing to P.O. Box 803, Crystal River, FL 34423.



TUESDAY EVENING JUNE 22, 2010

C: Comcast, Citrus B: Bright House D: Comcast, Dunnellon I: Comcast, Inglis F: Oak Forest H: Holiday Heights

Table of TV listings for Tuesday evening, June 22, 2010. Columns include channel, time, and program name. Rows list various channels like WESH, WEDU, WFTS, etc.

PHILLIP ALDER Newspaper Enterprise Assn.

Raymond Chandler claimed: "At least half the mystery novels published violate the law that the solution, once revealed, must seem to be inevitable."

Each bridge writer hopes that at the end of any column, once the correct declarer-play or defense has been revealed, the reader is not mystified. Take this deal as an example.

North might have responded two no-trump, assuming that would have to show a balanced hand with 13-15 points and fewer than four spades.

values, South expressed slam in-

Bridge puzzle section titled 'Bridge' showing a card deal with North, South, East, and West hands, and dealer information.

terest with his four-diamond control-bid (cue-bid). North, though, with such bad major-suit holdings, signed off at four spades.

East takes the first trick with his heart ace and returns the heart four, his lowest heart being a suit-preference signal for clubs.

To make his contract, South must avoid losing another trump trick. Who has the spade queen?

If West had the queen, he would have ruffed with her majesty at trick four to defeat the contract. So East must have the queen.

JUMBLE word game section with a cartoon illustration of a couple on a bicycle and a grid for unscrambling words.

- ACROSS 38 Pedaled along 39 Cool, once 40 Clothing problem 41 Tex-Mex treat 44 Kind of ticket (hyph.) 48 Was sorry for 49 Save (2 wds.) 51 A.M. word 52 Black hole, once 53 Quip 54 All-purpose vehicles 55 Cathedral town 56 Air-pump meas.

Answer to Previous Puzzle crossword grid with filled-in letters.

Dear Annie: My son and his family have been estranged from us for six years. We discovered the reason was that his wife was spreading vicious lies.

ogy does not have to be an admission of guilt. Tell your daughter-in-law you are truly sorry for upsetting her, and make sure you say it in front of your son.

Want more puzzles? section with a crossword grid and promotional text for puzzle books.

- DOWN 1 Prowl 2 Mets' former home 3 Gorbys' realm 4 Snapshots 5 Gaynor or Leigh 6 Almost-grads 7 Feudal tenant 8 Coagulate 9 Racetrack boundary 10 Construction 13 Famous Teddy 16 Components 20 Morays 23 Ms. West 24 Adamson's pet 25 More, to some 26 Body of water 27 Furry Jedi ally 28 Run out of energy 30 Friends-by-mail (2 wds.) 32 Actor — Sparks 34 Bug repellent 35 "Egad!" 37 Reprimands 38 PC number system 40 Palace dweller 41 Herr's spouse 42 Dad's sister 43 Leap in a tutu 45 Dweeb 46 Commotions 47 Abominable Snowman 50 Had some lunch

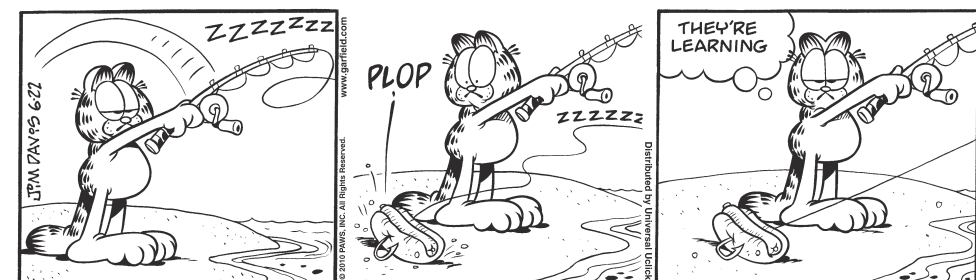
I have tried to mend the relationship, but every time there seems to be a little headway, she comes up with something new. I know she wants an apology from me.

I believe they are taking advantage of me. I honestly don't want to do anyone's hair anymore. I have to bring all my equipment to their homes, and they never offer to give me a dime.

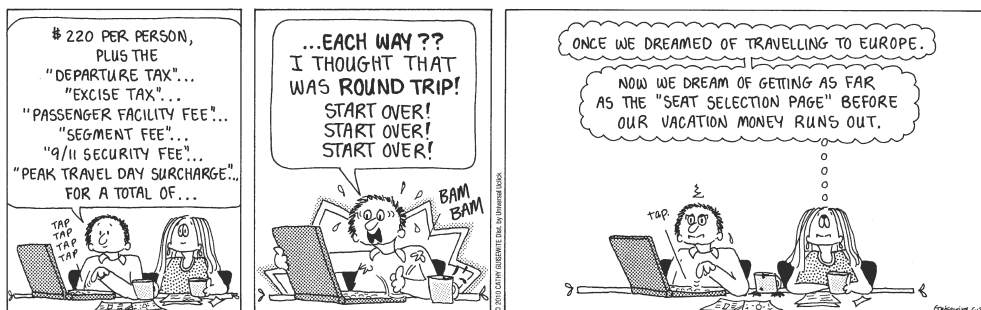
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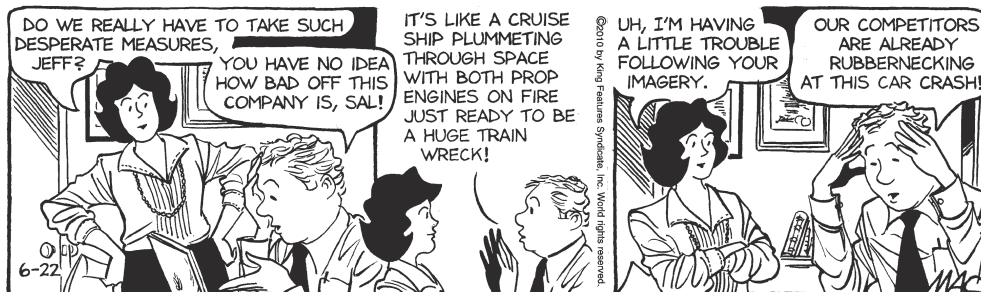
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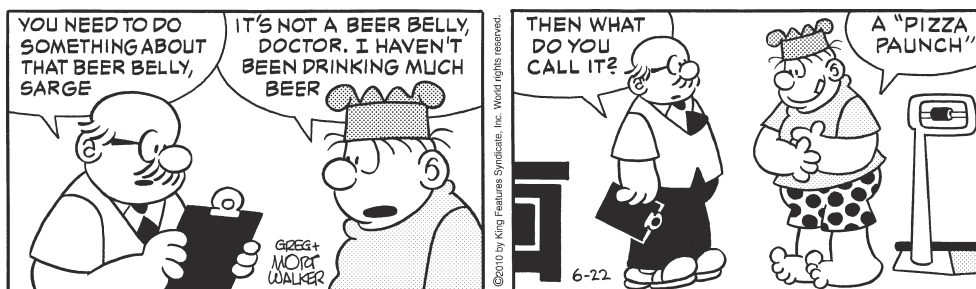
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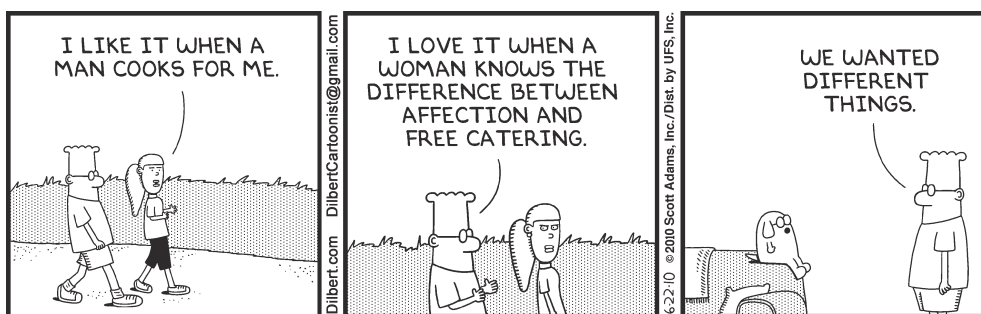
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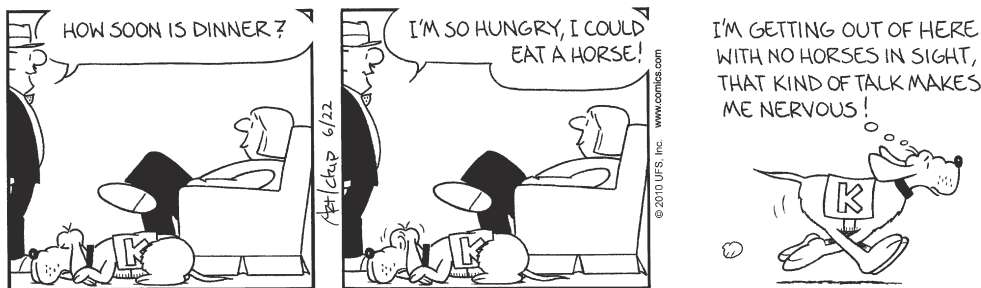
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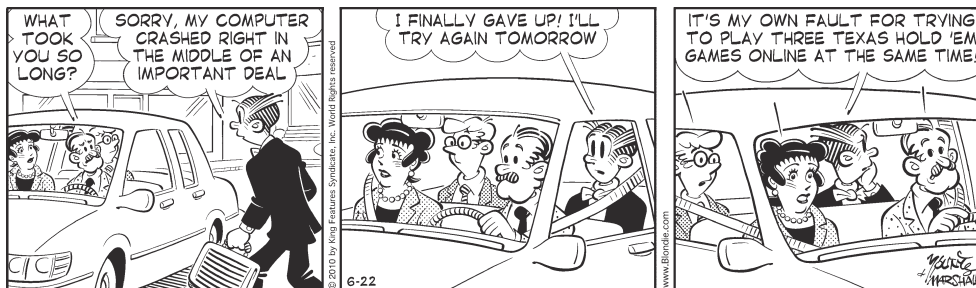
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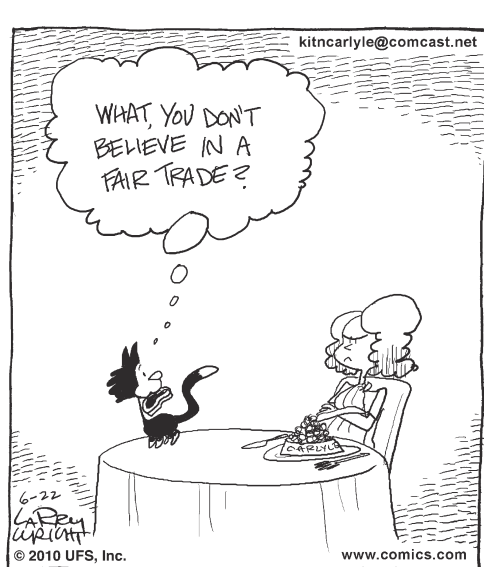
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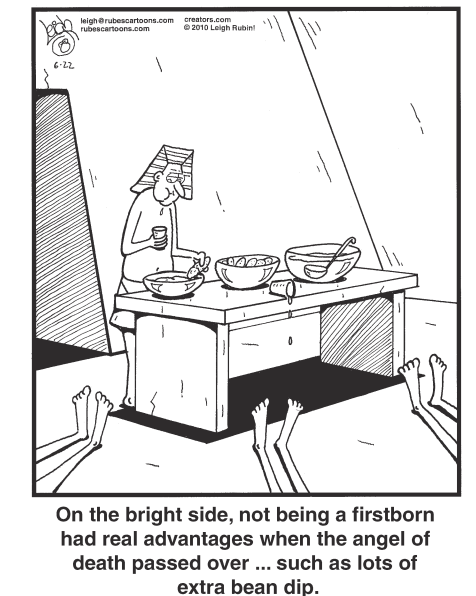
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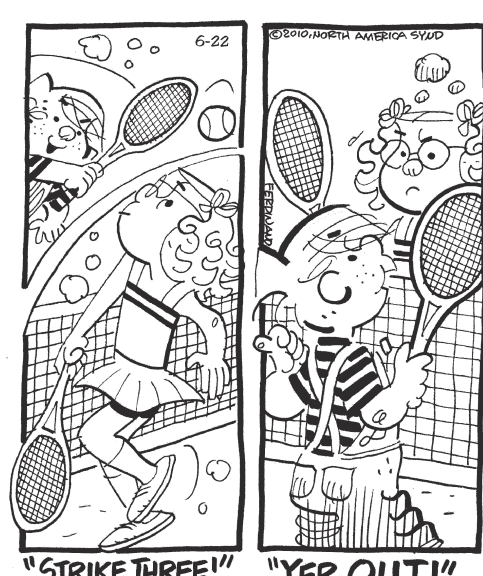
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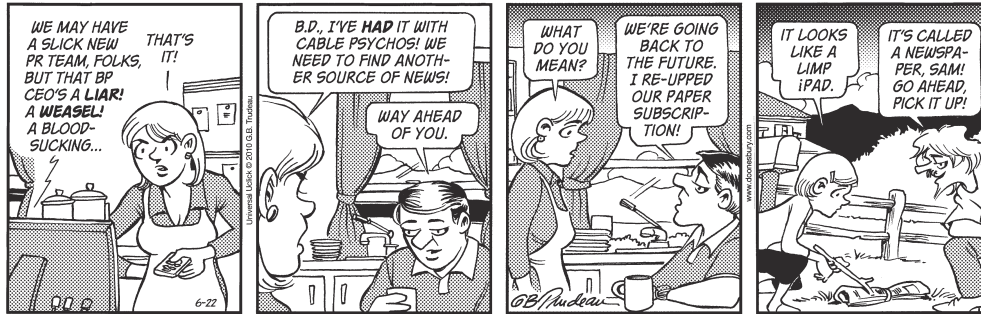
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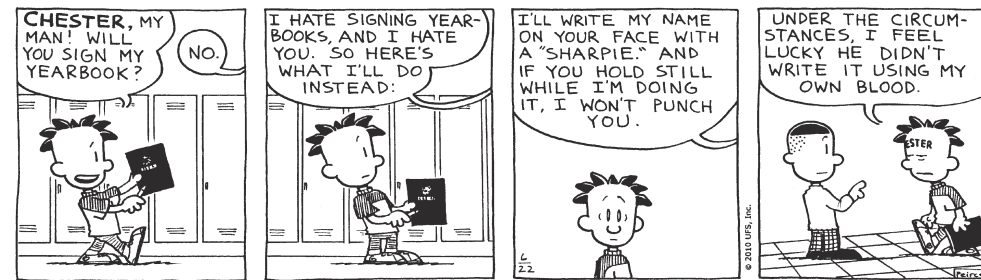
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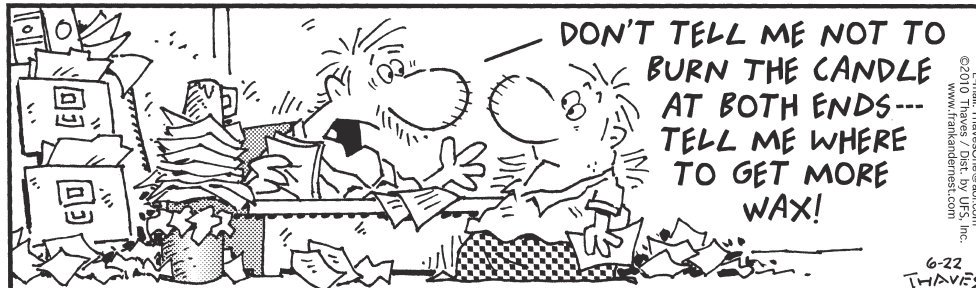
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CELEBRITY CIPHER by Luis Campos

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

Today's clue: K equals W

"WTBWZT HL FHUAHNDL, MBY XHNTJ

SDLR... MBY'ET NHETL FT RB FYUA

KDJFXA, RB FYUA DSSTUXHBL DLG RB

FYUA ZBET." — TJLHT ADJKTZZ

PREVIOUS SOLUTION: "Like a welcome summer rain, humor may suddenly cleanse and cool the earth, the air and you." — Langston Hughes

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GET OFF THE ROAD WITH DAN LYONS



Acura wraps upgrades to the 2010 MDX in freshened sheet metal. A new front grille and revised taillights highlight the 2010 look. Eighteen inch wheels are standard. All 2010 MDX models are outfitted with Super Handling All-Wheel Drive. The system is full-time and fully automated, requiring no input by the driver.

# 2010 Acura MDX

## SUPER HANDLING SUV FOR DRY, WET ROADS

The 2010 Acura MDX is a case of getting a little more, for a little more. The \$43,040 starting price is about 3 percent higher than last year. The price bump is offset by increased standard content.

Among the new additions: a power liftgate, Hill Start Assist, a sport steering wheel with paddle shifters, additional leather trim and an auto-dimming mirror, with integrated rearview camera screen.

Acura wraps these upgrades in freshened sheet metal. A new front grille and revised taillights highlight the 2010 look. Eighteen-inch wheels are standard, with 19-inch optional.

All 2010 MDX models are outfitted with Super Handling All-Wheel Drive. The system is full-time and fully automated, requiring no input by the driver. Power is apportioned not only front-to-back, but also side-to-side.

Working in conjunction with the Vehicle Stability Assist with traction control, SH-AWD provides added grip in bad weather and hard cornering.

The MDX engine gains a new partner for 2010. The 3.7-liter V-6 now pairs with a six-speed automatic transmission. The gearbox has two automatic settings, as well as a "manumatic" mode, with paddle shifters. The sixth gear steps down engine rpms and allows the MDX to post a modest increase in gas mileage. The EPA estimates are now 16 miles per gallon city and 21 mpg highway; an increase of +1 and +1, respectively, over last year's figures.

I averaged a combined 18 mpg in a week's worth of driving. That's on par with what is admittedly an underachieving class of high-class SUVs. Despite the MDX's weight (a fully loaded model tips the scales at over 4,600 pounds), the V-6 feels more like a V-8 under foot. Rated at

300 horsepower and 270 lb.-ft. of torque, the engine launches the Acura with authority and cruises quietly. MDX has a towing capacity of 5,000 pounds.

Several active safety features are along for the ride. Included in the list is Vehicle Stability Assist, anti-lock brakes with electronic brake-force distribution and brake assist. The Advance Package adds Acura's Collision Mitigating Braking system, which alerts the driver to potential crash situations and activates the brakes if a collision is unavoidable.

The MDX can seat six to seven people. The rear-most row is suitable for kids, presenting the typical third row compromise for SUV owners. You can either fill the back row with passengers (and have 15 cubic feet of cargo space), or fold that seat flat and gain a generous, 42.9 cu.-ft. for your gear. If that's not enough, then folding the second row brings the space tally to 83.5 cu.-ft.

You access the cargo bay via the top-hinged, power liftgate

(duck your head if you're tall). I'd like to see Acura add another inch or so of travel for the driver's seat, too. Those of us over 6 feet tall in the first or second row will be wishing for a little more leg room if like-size people are riding along. The headrests on the second row seats block the driver's view out of the back 3/4 windows. The option list provides a fix in the form of a blind spot warning system.

As befits its class and clientele, MDX is tech-laden and comfortably appointed inside. In addition to the substantial, standard equipment list, buyers have a choice of five trim packages, for added entertainment and electronics. A top-trim level MDX like my test vehicle has a sticker price of \$54,565. A popular choice among buyers is the Technology Package. It includes a navigation system with 8-inch high resolution color screen and voice controls, real-time traffic and weather information, rearview camera, and an impressive ELS sound system. Among its credentials: 410 watts of surround sound, 10 speakers, CD/DVD/MP3/WMA and DTS players, AM/FM and XM radio bands. A USB port and an auxiliary jack allow input from portable music players and a 60GB hard drive provides onboard storage.

Well-contented vehicles like the MDX have a lot of switches to control all the features. Part of the luxury automaker's art is how they manage to arrange the switchgear.

Many features are channeled through a joystick-like controller and surrounding buttons. Some of the functions are intuitive, while the rest require some quality time with the owner's manual, or a lot of trial and error. But overall, MDX makes an appealing choice for SUV buyers. It packs a lot of comfort and technology in a smooth and classy package.

- Dan Lyons, Motor Matters

### All 2010 MDX models are outfitted with Super Handling All-Wheel Drive



## BMW INTRODUCES 'BUILD-TO-ORDER' VEHICLES FROM S.C. PLANT

In Europe and Japan, where land is scarce and car dealers can't stock scores of new vehicles on the lot, car buyers order their new vehicles exactly as they want them equipped, then they patiently wait for the factory to build and ship the vehicle to the dealer. A six- or eight-week interval between order and delivery is not uncommon.

In the U.S., however, we're not so fond of the wait. This in-

clination can be traced back to World War II, when no new cars were manufactured, leading to pent-up demand that led to Americans' immense post-war need to have a new car -- now.

Over the years some automakers have tried to get U.S. customers interested in advance ordering their cars, and even though it results in a vehicle exactly as desired by the buyer, build-to-order efforts have never



BMW's newly retrooled \$750 million U.S. plant in South Carolina allows buyers to "build-to-spec" 2011 models. X5 shown on assembly line.

taken off in the U.S.

Now, BMW of North America is giving it a try again, encouraging customers to advance order the all-new 2011 X3 crossover that, for the first time, is being assembled in the U.S. in Spartanburg, S.C.

BMW's \$750-million investment in advanced, flexible tooling and assembly processes at the Spartanburg plant means it's now much easier to build vehi-

cles to exact specifications, one-by-one. When production of the second-generation X3 starts in the fourth quarter of this year, the company thinks it could assemble and deliver a built-to-order 2011 X3 in two weeks, a small enough lag time that might change our almost genetic inclination to find and buy a vehicle all in the same day.

With the U.S.-made X3s, "We've got a logistics advan-

tage," says Joseph M. Wierda, BMWNA product manager for the 3 Series and X3. Because the customer's BMW no longer has to come across the ocean, the time to deliver a build-to-order vehicle is drastically cut. Combine that with the Spartanburg

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### ECOCAR CHALLENGE

For the second straight year, a team of engineering and computer science students at Mississippi State University won the "EcoCar: The Next Challenge," a three-year-long competition on designing and building green cars of the future.

For full story, see page 6

Source: Evelyn Kanter, Motor Matters



### 2010 VW JETTA SPORTWAGEN

The Jetta SportWagen appeals to drivers seeking German engineering in a versatile, stylish, and fun-to-drive package with pricing starting under \$20,000. Standard on the Jetta SportWagen (S and SE models) is the economical, yet powerful, 2.5-liter five-cylinder engine that delivers 170 horsepower and 177 lbs.-ft. of torque.

The fuel-sipping 2010 Jetta TDI features the 2.0-liter clean diesel TDI engine - available in all 50 states. The 2.0L delivers 140 horsepower and an impressive 236 lbs.-ft. of torque. It is connected to either a standard six-speed manual transmission, or optional DSG six-speed automatic transmission with Tiptronic control.

(Source: Volkswagen of America)

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### ASK THE AUTO DOCTOR

**The "service soon" engine light Occasionally, there is a burning smell that comes from the heat/air-conditioning system on my 2005 Mercury Sable. Why? There are no signs of oil leaks.**

An oil smell coming through the heat a/c system indicates there are minor amounts of oil leaking onto the exhaust. There is also a possibility that the cabin filter is in need of replacement.

**There is an oil leak between the engine and transmission on my 1994 Ford Bronco with 106,000 miles. I was told it is a rear main oil seal. Is there any stop leak that you would recommend?**

I suggest switching to high-mileage oil. During the warmer months, 20W40 should work fine, in colder months 10W30 or 40 will not affect starting on cold mornings. The high-mileage oil has additional additives designed for high-mileage engines.

(Source: Ask the Auto Doctor, Motor Matters)



**ask the auto doctor**  
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**MAKE SURE MECHANIC IS EDUCATED, TRAINED IN ELECTRONICS**

**DEAR DOCTOR:** Dear Doctor: I own a 2002 Chevrolet Impala. The electrical system fails and the radio stops working, but then it will fix itself. The local garage cannot seem to find the problem. Do you have any advice? Ann

**Dear Ann:** I suggest you go back to the garage and ask the technician if he is familiar with this car from GM - and also ask if he is ASE-certified in electronics. Ask if he has Internet access to professional service help, such as Alldata or Identifix. If not, it is time to find another shop or go to the local Chevrolet dealer.

All of us in the automotive repair and service trade need some assistance when it comes to diagnosing difficult electronic problems.

**DEAR DOCTOR:** I've owned a five-speed 2000 Ford Mustang GT V-8 for nearly four years. It has 46,000 miles on it, but I've only put on 3,000 miles since owning it. I do drive it all year round. In February I only drove it 40 miles and when I went to start it the other day, it turned over, but would not "run". I came back an hour later and tried to start it with the accelerator to the floor and it started, bucked for a second or so, and then, as long as I kept my foot on the accelerator, it would run. I gradually slowed down the rpm to about 1,000, but when I took my foot off the accelerator it stalled. Can you help me with a solution? Thomas

**Dear Thomas:** The first step will be to perform a fuel pressure test. We next need to get basic information about fuel pressure, EGR height position, engine coolant temperature, etc. This information can be found with the help either alldata.com or identifix.com by a technician who subscribes to the service. The next step is to compare the actual car information to the factory specifications. I think your car's problem is a fuel delivery lean condition or even a lazy idle send control motor.

**DEAR DOCTOR:** During a routine service appointment for my 2002 Honda Accord V-6 at the dealer, I was given a long list of items that they said need to be done in the near future: front engine mount (\$350), side engine mount (\$175), transmission service (\$60), brake flush for (\$50), rear brake pads (\$170), and timing belt, drive belt and water pump (\$750). My car has 61,000 miles on it so I can justify having most of these done. Do the prices seem excessive to you? Does the water pump need to be changed along with the timing belt? Are the engine mounts "normal wear" items? Thank you for your excellent column each week. Many of your answers have helped me to avoid major maintenance on my two other Honda vehicles. Chris

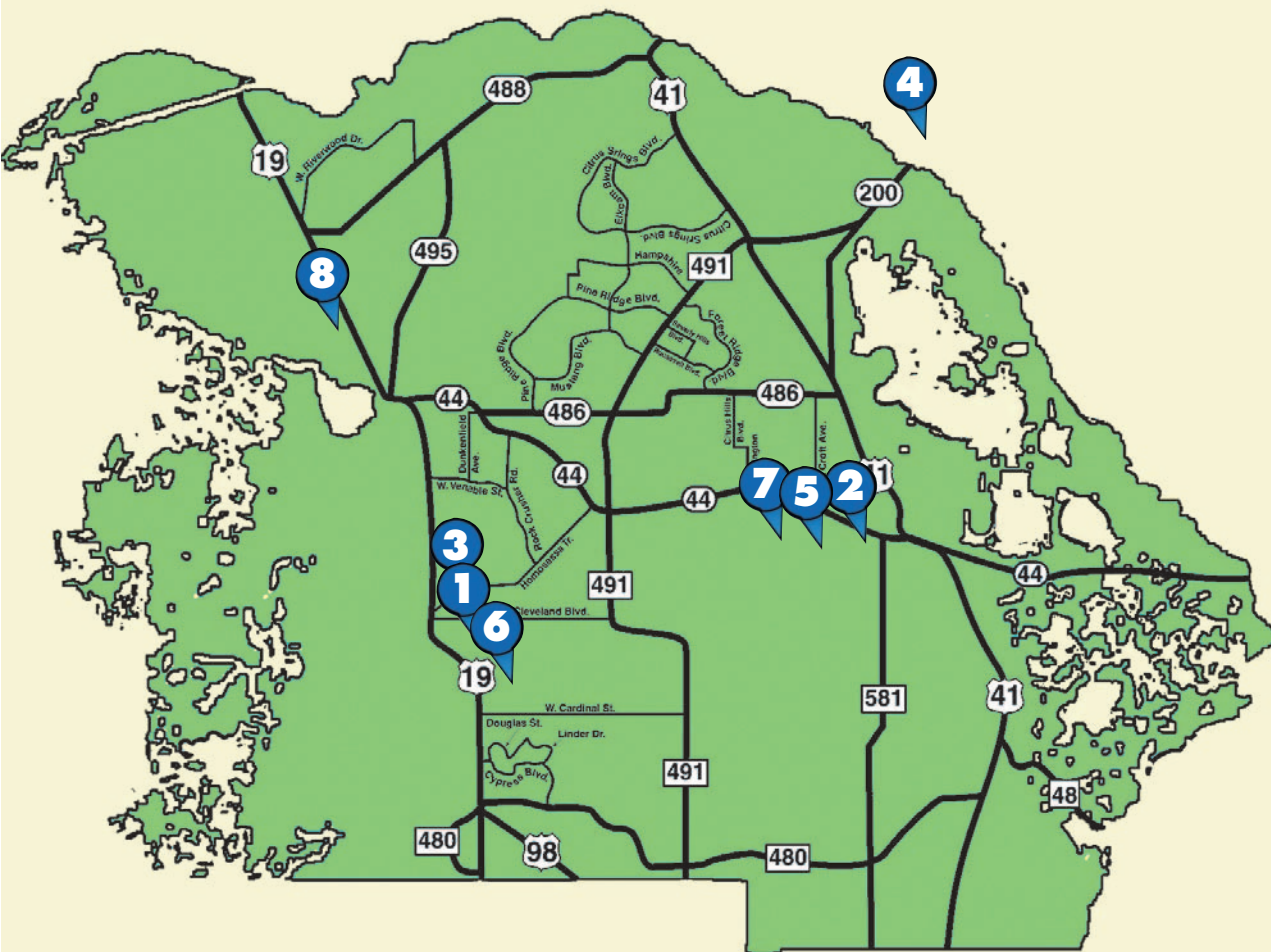
**Dear Chris:** There is no question that your Honda Accord will need service-timing belt included. As for the water pump, I tell my customers if it is in good condition and there are no leaks or signs of bearing wear, then there is no need to change it. The main front engine mount is a common wear item and if there is any movement, then it should be replaced. The brake fluid flush is a good moneymaker for the dealer. As for all the prices, you can check with a good independent shop for their prices. You can speak with the dealer service advisor about the pricing. Most of the time they will make a price adjustment as to not lose the job.

**DEAR DOCTOR:** I own a 2007 Honda Odyssey with only 30,000 miles on it. I would like to switch over to synthetic oil. Everyone says it's worth the extra expense. Do you agree? Danny

**Dear Danny:** Yes, I do agree. I use full-synthetic oil in all of my vehicles, including boats and outdoor lawn gas-powered equipment.

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*1926 Dodge Brothers Standard Roadster*



*In the early days of the last century, brothers John and Horace Dodge already had earned a superb reputation for making quality automotive products for other automobile manufacturers before becoming part of the Chrysler Corporation.*

Records show that in February 1926 a customer by the name of Ernest Mueller took delivery of a special order Dodge Brothers Standard Roadster at the local dealership in Oakland, Calif.

If Mueller had traveled to Michigan then the base price of the car would have been reduced to \$855. Instead, the right-hand drive Dodge Brothers roadster was delivered in California, with a base price of \$962. That price was boosted by another \$118 for upgrading to 24-inch wheels from the standard 20 inchers.

According to Whitney Haist, the current owner of the 1926 roadster, the vehicle was ordered with right-hand drive because the original owner was an Englishman who did not like driving on the left side of the car.

The history of the Dodge Brothers roadster for the next 81 years remains a mystery. In the spring of 2007, after attending church one Sunday, a fellow parishioner informed Haist of a 1926 Dodge Brothers Standard Roadster that was stored beneath a tarpaulin in the nearby town of Lafayette.

Following up on the tip, Haist located the car and was infatuated with his discovery, but the Dodge Brothers roadster was in sad shape. A week after buying the non-operational vehicle Haist returned with a trailer to tow his treasure home.

He had to pump air into the flat tires and with chains he was able to winch the car onto the trailer preparatory to the 10-mile trip home. After a thorough inspection, a total restoration was deemed necessary if the once-handsome 1926 roadster was ever to motor the highways again.



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WITH VERN PARKER

**For proof that his Dodge Brothers roadster is an early 1926 model car, Haist points to the two-piece windshield, split horizontally.**

The 212-cubic-inch, "L"-head, four-cylinder engine was rebuilt to original specifications so as to develop 30-35 horsepower. The four-cylinder engine has to propel the 2,473-pound car -- and that is an empty weight.

Typical of the era, Haist's vehicle features a Motometer gauge atop the radiator to inform the driver

if the car was overheating. If the driver did not notice the warning on the gauge then he certainly would not miss the steam that would soon follow.

With the engine rebuilt, Haist turned his attention to installing a new fuel delivery system, as well as replacing all of the wiring in the car. Next on the "to do" list was refinishing the wooden spokes on the four wheels on the ground and the matching spare at the rear of the roadster. Each 12-spoke wheel has a natural wood finish and is wrapped by a 5.25x24-inch tire. The stately roadster comfortably rides on a 116-inch wheelbase.

When the time came to paint the completely re-finished body of the Dodge Brothers Standard Roadster, Haist decided to go with the same Pheasant Green that was the original color.

While the restoration work was progressing the metal trim pieces were sent off to be replated, including bumpers and door handles.

A new top was fabricated along with new upholstery to duplicate the original. Once the new interior was in place the only thing left to do was to have side curtains made using the dilapidated originals as sample patterns.

For proof that his Dodge Brothers roadster is an early 1926 model car, Haist points to the two-piece windshield, split horizontally. Later in the model year, Haist explains, one-piece windshields were installed. At the same time the windshields were changed, the base price of the Dodge Brothers cars were reduced by \$60.

— Vern Parker, Motor Matters

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## WHY GO CPO?

Used vehicles that have been inspected and reconditioned to certain standards can offer used-car shoppers a certain peace of mind.

In the past, consumers in the market for a car at their neighborhood dealer could choose from new or used. But in recent decades, another category has emerged for buyers: the certified pre-owned car.

Certified pre-owned (called CPOs) are the best used cars in a dealer's inventory. They typically have limited mileage, are no more than five years old and have been inspected and reconditioned by the dealership and certified by the manufacturer, according to Consumer Reports.

CPOs typically have some sort of manufacturer-backed warranty; the extent of each warranty differs from company to company.

Ford offers a six-year, 100,000-mile power train limited warranty and a three-month, 3,000-mile comprehensive limited warranty on its CPOs. The vehicles are less than six years old with fewer than 80,000 miles.

GM vehicles come with 12-month, 12,000-mile bumper-to-bumper warranty, a 100,000-mile, five-year power train limited warranty and a three-day 150-mile satisfaction guarantee on vehicles that are 2005 models or newer with less than 75,000 miles.

Chrysler offers a six-year, 80,000-mile power train limited warranty and a three-month, 3,000-mile maximum care limited warranty on models that are five years old or newer and have 65,000 miles or less.

Each manufacturer puts CPO vehicles through rigorous inspections. They all offer additional amenities such as roadside assistance, a full tank of gas at delivery, trial subscriptions to satellite radio, free vehicle history reports and loaner or rental cars when repairs are needed.

Consumers who might have been afraid of purchasing a used car are often attracted to CPOs, says Stu Zalud, director of dealer services with NADA Used Car Guide, a McLean, Va.-based publisher of new and used vehicle information.

"A CPO purchase gives a consumer peace of mind," Zalud says. "You are extending a warranty period on an automobile beyond its normal limits."

And a CPO designation means a manufacturer "has done some pre-screening for you," Zalud says. "The cars that meet these specifications are in theory better automobiles."

Inspections performed on CPOs also help consumers find better financing rates.

"The finance rates are more attractive because the lender has the assurance the car is a little better," Zalud says.

And a consumer who chooses a CPO vehicle over a new one can avoid the substantial up-front depreciation that takes place in the first years of ownership.

So why would a consumer ever consider a used car that wasn't a CPO? Because of the cost, Zalud says. "The transaction price [for a CPO] could be a little higher. There's a cost to the dealer to participate in these programs."

Add in the costs of the reconditioning a car might require, "And you are probably going to spend more," says Zalud. "If you are only going to gain 12,000 or 24,000 miles on a warranty, maybe that doesn't merit the extra expense. You have to weigh the costs."

The popularity of buying cars online has boosted manufacturers' CPO programs, says Paul Pejza, manager of GM Certified Used Vehicles.

GM's CPO program started in 1996. Through its Web site, gmcertified.com, consumers can educate themselves on the program and the cars currently available. Research is important, Pejza says, "because every used car is different."

Some dealers offer their own certification programs, but the GM web site only lists manufacturer certified vehicles. "We want to educate people about the difference between OEM (original equipment manufacturer) and non-OEM parts and just what a certified program is," says Larry Prys, GM's national marketing director.

So what kinds of cars make it into the CPO category? "Almost all off-lease cars qualify for certification," says NADA's Zalud.

Because leasing numbers are down, there are fewer cars that qualify for these programs, Zalud says. "And manufacturers are looking harder at their dealers to see if they do the work they said they did."

With a short supply of used cars today, "the real challenge is finding what you want where you want it," Zalud says.

Where should a consumer look first? "If you can find a Ford at a Ford dealer; a Chevy at a Chevy dealer, you'll have a better chance of a good relationship," Zalud says. "If something does go wrong with the vehicle, you'll have less down time while repairs are made."

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- Daytona Antique Auto Racing Association

#### Saturday, July 3, 2010

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#### Saturday, July 10, 2010

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- \$1,500 Hills, Holes & Poles
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#### Monday, July 5

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## ALL MOPAR CAR SHOW

The Citrus MOPARS car club will be sponsoring a car show at Crystal Chrysler Dodge, 2077 Hwy 44, Inverness, the club sponsor's dealership, on Saturday, July 17. Registration will be from 8 to 10 am with awards at 1 pm. Pre-registration is \$8 or \$10 on the day of the show.

Call Mike Bonadonna at 341-1019 or Ken McNally at 341-1165 for more info.

## CLUB NEWS

### SUNDAY

■ **Citrus County Retreads** meet for breakfast at 8 a.m. Sundays at the restaurant at rear of B&W Rexall Drugs, Inverness. All makes and models of motorcycles welcome. Ride follows.

### TUESDAY

■ **Citrus County Corvette Club** meets the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. for their General Membership Meeting at ABC Pizza Hwy 19, Crystal River, FL. Guests are welcome!

### WEDNESDAY

■ **Inverness "Big Dogs"** motorcycle club meets for breakfast at 8 a.m. Wednesdays at rear of B&W Rexall Drugs. Ride follows, all bikes welcome. Call J.R. and Rachel Harris at 726-6128.

■ **Citrus MOPARS** car club was recently started in Citrus County for the owners of any year MOPARS—Chrysler, Dodge or Plymouth who appreciate their cars, enjoy meeting with other owners and are interested in participating in related shows and activities as a club. We meet the first Wednesday of each month at 7 PM at Crystal Chrysler Dodge (club's sponsor), 2077 Hwy. 44, Inverness, FL 34453.

We also have weekly gatherings every Friday night at 6 pm at the new Race Track gas station on Hwy 44 in Inverness near Crystal Chrysler Dodge. All are welcome to join us with their cars.

For more info call either Mike Bonadonna at tele. 352-341-1019 or Ken McNally at tele. 352-341-1165.

(Website: <http://home.mindspring.com/~kenmcnally>)

■ **Nature Coast Corvair Club** meets the second Wednesday of every month at 7:00 p.m. The club gathers at the B/W Rexall Drug Store in Inverness. (They have a private dining room in the back of their restaurant.) Their address is 214 US Hwy 41 S Inverness. Most of the club arrives at 6:00 p.m. to have dinner and welcomes the company of other classic car and Corvair enthusiasts. For any additional information, contact David Langdon, Secretary, Nature Coast Corvair Club, 352-563-1817, or by email at [dlangdon1@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:dlangdon1@tampabay.rr.com).

### THURSDAY

■ **Gold Wing Road Riders Chapter FL-1-R** of Dunnellon meets at 6:30 p.m. on the second, third and fourth Thursday of each month at McDonald's in Dunnellon. Monthly gathering is the first Thursday at the Charlie Horse Restaurant, 20049 E. Pennsylvania Ave., Dunnellon, 6 p.m. to eat and 7:30 to meet. Call chapter director Bruce Schlimme at (352) 465-1228.

■ **Gold Wing Road Riders Association Chapter T** of Inverness kick tire at 6 p.m. Thursdays at Burger King parking lot, corner of U.S. 41 and S.R. 44 East. Call directors Rachel, JR Harris at 726-6128 or Ken and Jackie Smith at (352) 476-7151.

### FRIDAY

■ **Nature Coast Mustangs** meets at 7 p.m. Friday at the Wendy's on U.S. 19 in Homosassa across from the wildlife park. Bring your car and enjoy a fun evening. Call Bob at 860-2598.

■ **The Wanderers Club** meets from 6 to 9 p.m. Fridays at the parking lot of the Beall's Department Store on State Road 44 West of Inverness. Bring your old car and have fun with other car enthusiasts. Call Frank at 212-2966 or visit [wanderersclubofinvernessfl.com](http://wanderersclubofinvernessfl.com).

### SATURDAY

■ **Free Wheelin' Sertoma Club** motorcycle club meets at 9 a.m. Saturdays "on the road." Call Rainer Jakob at 726-7903 for destinations.

■ **Nature Coast Retreads** meets at 8 a.m. Saturdays at Momma Sally's, US 19 in Crystal River. A ride follows. All styles of motorcycles are welcome. Call Jacques at 637-4693 or Dave at 628-2401.

■ **Citrus County Cruisers** invites you to its weekly cruise-in from 6 to 7 (depending on the weather and no-seams) every Saturday at the parking lot next to Wendy's in Crystal River. We have oldies music, trivia, 50/50s and special events the second and third Saturday of every month. Questions call Jim at 527-0024 or Lester at 628-7021. [www.citruscountycruisers.com](http://www.citruscountycruisers.com).



Duramax diesel engine and chassis upgrades have made the Chevrolet Silverado and its cousin, the GMC Sierra, even better tow vehicles for 2011. Exciting new features like an exhaust brake and new suspension parts give the trucks even better towing ability. 2011 GM truck occupants are greeted by a familiar interior, that's mostly carryover from 2010.

# RV Towing In 2011 GM Heavy-Duty Trucks Just Got More Powerful

General Motors has launched its new 2011 Chevrolet Silverado and GMC Sierra heavy-duty 2500 and 3500 series trucks and the news is good for those who tow heavy RV trailers. The new GM trucks are all about performance improvements that should have RVers excited.

First, what's not new: The truck interiors are mostly carryover except for a few tweaks and details. GMC has added a Denali trim level model to its pickup line and that vehicle features an interior that shares components and design with the Denali SUV.

The truck exteriors feature a new "power dome" hood, new front fascia details and front bumper, but the rest of the exterior is carryover.

On the other hand, an all-new chassis, a revamped 6.6-L Duramax turbo-diesel engine and upgraded tow and payload ratings bump the truck's performance potential to the next level.

The new 2011 GM trucks can be rated to tow as much as a 21,700 pound fifth-wheel and a 17,000-pound conventional trailer. The trucks can have a Gross Combination Weight Rating as high as 29,200 pounds, properly equipped of course. Slide-in truck camper fans will likely be pleased to know the Silverado and Sierra HD's new maximum payload has been boosted to 6,635 pounds, and that's good news given the size of some campers on the market.

Equally exciting, and a component that falls into the "it's about damn time" category, is an exhaust brake that comes standard with the diesel engine. While aftermarket exhaust brakes typically use a butterfly-type valve that partially blocks airflow in the exhaust pipe, GM employs variable vane technology in the turbocharger to accomplish the same task.

The exhaust brake works with the 6-speed Allison transmission's grade-holding feature and makes running downhill with a heavy trailer far safer and less stressful.

The Duramax is now rated at 397 horsepower and 765 ft.-lb. of torque. It uses urea-based Diesel Exhaust Fluid injection to meet the current federal diesel emission standards. An underhood fluid fill receptacle leads to a frame-mounted DEF tank that should, per GM's estimates, only require refilling once every several thousand miles of travel, depending on load and driving habits.

Changes to the Duramax include a new 30,000-psi piezo-actuated fuel injection system, lubrication improvements, higher-strength pistons and an EGR cooler bypass to reduce high-mileage soot deposits. The net result is a quieter, more fuel efficient and more durable engine. A new larger fuel tank contributes towards a potential 680-mile driving range between fillups.

The new frame is fully boxed, with hydroformed components, and is said to feature a 92 percent bending stiffness increase, plus a 125-percent stiffer front frame structure.

All-new independent front suspension is complemented by new asymmetrical rear leaf springs designed to minimize axle hop and enhance traction control.

Hill start assist, trailer sway control, automatic grade braking and intelligent brake assist are incorporated into the Heavy-Duty truck's vehicle dynamics electronics.

Our brief driving time with the new GM trucks covered a variety of highways in the rolling hills of western Maryland, which gave us the chance to experience both the uphill power and downhill braking features. Our payload trailer weighed around 9,000 pounds so it wasn't a major strain on the truck's tow rating.

The new Duramax is very quiet. Changes in the engine along with sound attenuating materials help craft a quiet, civilized driving experience that changes minimally when you put your foot in it to accelerate or climb a grade.

As for fuel economy, we averaged around 9



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mpg towing, and about 18 mpg, tops, running solo. This was mainly up or downgrade, with scant level ground running, so flat-ground freeway driving would likely improve those numbers.

We powered up grades at freeway speed, when appropriate, and were able to accelerate up backroad grades in the 7- to 8-percent range after starting at 25-30 mph at the bottom. That's a good feeling.

Cornering and handling are tight and precise. We never felt we had to keep chasing the lane, even when crosswinds were gusting.

The standard GM integrated brake control provided well-balanced brake action between the truck and trailer. Downgrades with the transmission's two/haul punched in and the exhaust brake engaged called for minimal service brake use to drag us down to a safe speed.

We like that kind of confidence in the hills when things get hairy on the road.

Cleaner emissions, decent fuel economy, a civilized ride and power to spare add up to the GM HD trucks being a fine option for heavy RV trailer towing. Pricing for the 2011 Silverado and Sierra start at \$27,965.

—Jeff Johnston, Motor Matters

## Need Small-Car Excellence?

### Take A Fiesta

The fate of the free world doesn't hinge on whether American car buyers end up liking Ford's all-new subcompact car, the 2011 Fiesta.

But with freshly minted Corporate Average Fuel Economy standards dictating that automakers' fleets have to average 35 miles per gallon by 2016 and the recent oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico highlighting the ugly side of the national appetite for crude, it would help if we'd develop more of an open mind about small cars than we've had in the past.

The 2011 Fiesta is going to help do just that. It's an unexpectedly refined subcompact car that doesn't make cheating the gas pump mean also cheating your expectations. The Fiesta's a fuel-sipping errand-runner that's fully up to the demands of family interstate travel.

So the Fiesta doesn't drive cheap -- thanks largely to engineering for Europe where subcompacts long have been accepted as upscale family and lifestyle cars -- and it certainly doesn't look cheap, either. Ford's modern, slightly funky "kinetic" design language assures the 2011 Fiesta isn't just a blob or a box. The best view is straight on where that chiseled nose sets an athletic tone for the rest of the body.

We're a little less convinced about the rear quarters, particularly on the sedan we tested, the Fiesta SE with a base price of \$14,430. The 4-door Fiesta hatchback seems a little more sinewy back there, but either way, the area around the rear wheels is the only part of the new Fiesta's exterior



Muscular wheel wheels add a lean, taut look to Fiesta body sides, available in hatchback and sedan. The Fiesta four-door sedan features bold kinetic character lines, imparting a sense of forward movement.

that might be judged as thin-looking or wimpy.

The 2011 Fiesta doesn't look like the tinny subcompacts we've been served in the past and reinforcement of the car's visual heft comes from the startlingly sophisticated ride. The Fiesta's suspension doesn't look like anything special, but it quietly and effectively absorbs just about anything nasty it rides over. There are plenty of premium midsize sedans that don't ride with the Fiesta's all-around fluidity.

The Fiesta's confident ride is joined by tight and linear electric power steering that stays locked on even at high speeds. There's not a bit of fuss or fidget in the steering wheel, whether you're cranking through backroad corners or humming down the freeway. The Fiesta's sweet steering feel is another factor that goes a long way toward making the car drive in such a refined manner.

The Fiesta's small 1.6-liter 4-cylinder is a treat, too. It never gets gritty or rumbly and it revs like stink without noticeable vibration. This is a good thing, because it's not much of a puller -- where these tiny engines are exposed is in the torque department, and the meager 112 lb.-ft. of torque means you really need to give that tachometer a workout.

There's a fancy variable valve timing system here, but the fact is the engine doesn't do much until the rev counter hits 4,000 rpm.

Between there and the 6,500-rpm redline, though, the 1.6-liter Duratec pours out its heart and sounds great doing it.

The 5-speed manual transmission has deliciously light action and the lever moves almost psychically, but the younger buyers Ford thinks the Fiesta will attract are increasingly less familiar with clutch pedals and so will likely post up the extra \$1,070 for the high-tech 6-speed automatic transmission.

All is well inside the new 2011 Fiesta, too, where the overall impression this car emits carries through: materials and switchgear seem markedly more upscale than the Fiesta's price would suggest. We liked the standard height-adjustable front seats and telescoping steering-wheel adjustment. The now-popular central "pod" of the middle dash has sections for major buttons that are sensibly arranged, enabling quick acclimation. Connectivity for personal electronics? You name it, the Fiesta's got it, including, of course, the game-changing Sync system.

You see the theme here: Ford's 2011 Fiesta is a subcompact car that drives big and drives way more expensively than its sticker price should permit. We found the Fiesta immensely entertaining to drive, too. We didn't bother calculating our tester's fuel efficiency -- too busy savoring the marvelous engine, shifter, steering and brakes -- but mucho driving was done before draining the Fiesta's 12-gallon fuel tank.

If the 2011 Fiesta represents the way new-age small cars are going to ride, handle and perform, this path to better fuel economy isn't going to hurt a bit.

—Bill Vicini, Motor Matters



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Set to go on sale August 24, the 2011 Honda CR-Z is powered by a 1.5-liter i-VTEC engine with Honda's compact and lightweight Integrated Motor Assist hybrid-electric system. Pricing is expected to start under \$20,000.

# HYBRID SPORTS CAR FOR DRIVING ENTHUSIASTS: 2011 HONDA CR-Z

With each new advance in fuel economy technology, enthusiasts despair the demise of the simple, fun-to-drive car.

Honda understands this despair. After all, Honda grew from motorcycling roots and its heritage includes being the first Japanese manufacturer to win world motorcycle and Formula One championships. They are car guys. Or were anyway.

The 2011 CR-Z is the company reassertion of those credentials, albeit translated into contemporary, politically correct, Corporate Average Fuel Economy-compliant terms. Drivers who are old enough to grouse that cars today just aren't as much fun as in the old days, are also old enough to notice that the CR-Z sport hybrid coupe is a near-dead ringer for an earlier Honda product, the CRX.

That sprightly two-seater appeared in 1984, enjoyed a substantial upgrade in 1988 and bowed out too soon in 1991. Critics of hybrid electric drivetrains are often quick to point out that the 1.3-liter high-efficiency version of the CRX achieved EPA ratings equivalent to 38 mpg city and 47 mpg highway without the benefit of an electric assist motor and battery pack. But the fun-to-drive Si version of the CRX achieved only 24 city and 30 mpg highway in the EPA's 1991 test, when equalized to today's test procedures. This neo-CRX, in contrast, returns ratings of 35/39 mpg with an automatic continuously variable transmission (CVT) and 31/37 mpg with a six-speed manual.

That manual transmission, though it will probably only account for about 10 percent of CR-Z sales, is the crucial item to the CR-Z's enthusiast appeal. The ability to rev to the redline, blip the gas pedal on a downshift approaching a turn, and floor it exiting a turn, knowing the transmission won't decide to make an unwanted gear change, are all critical to an enthusiast driver's appreciation of a skilled back-road dance partner.

The more efficient CVT propels the car nicely and will be satisfactory to the commuters looking for a sporty two-seat conveyance to drive to work. But enthusiasts will only be satisfied by the manual transmission.

Honda has, thankfully, produced a good one, with



The CR-Z harkens memories of the CRX (1990 model shown), an enthusiastic driver's car.

smooth, linear clutch action and a shifter that has short, quick throws, so CR-Z interacts gracefully, flattering the driver with gear changes that may be more competently performed than the driver's input would suggest. The car includes a "hill-holder" feature too, holding on the brake so the car doesn't roll backwards embarrassingly when starting out on a hill.

The green ingredient – the CR-Z's hybrid electric drivetrain – is also important to the car's enthusiast appeal, even though the electric motor doesn't produce a viscerally attractive sound like the car's 1.5-liter four-cylinder internal combustion engine.

What it produces instead is abundant torque, a quality that is characteristically lacking among Honda's racy, high-revving gas engines. The electric motor not only boosts the torque to a level well beyond that in the old CRX (128 lb.-ft. vs. 100 lb.-ft. in 1991), it does it at absurdly low rpms because that's where electric motors make their power. So rather than having to rev the gas engine to launch the CR-Z off the line or out of a corner, the electric assist motor propels the car ably from low revs.

So, even though the 2011 CR-Z weighs a quarter-ton more than the 1991 CRX Si, it actually has more torque per pound than that car, helping it feel as light on its feet. And now we can enjoy the little Honda two-seater without being followed by a dark cloud of fear of the outcome of a crash, thanks to the raft of new safety features that contribute to that extra 500 pounds of bulk.

Considering how much has changed under the skin since the CRX's day, it is impressive how little has changed from the driver's seat in the CR-Z.

— Dan Conway, Motor Matters



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plant's new state-of-the-art flexibility and BMW figures it can deliver the buyer's exact specified X3 as quickly as two weeks from when the order is submitted. He also suggested BMW could extend the build-to-order program to the X3's big-brother, the X5, which is extensively revised for 2011 and also is built in Spartanburg. Customers can go to the BMW web site to spec their 2011 model exactly as they want, then print out a form to take to the dealer where the final price will be determined -- available incentives can be applied and haggling is permitted -- and the dealer will process the order.

"The goal is to leave the transaction process between dealers and customers as-is," Wierda said.

Further enticing buyers to go the build-to-order route are special inducements, such as colors available only through the build-to-order process, as well as unique wheels and option packages.

Wierda says there's another great reason to order: your vehicle isn't equipped with anything you don't want. Most people who buy a vehicle from dealer stock end up with something on the car they don't particularly want. That's lost value for everybody -- the customer, the dealer and the automaker.

"There are winners in all of this," Wierda says, but he admits that although BMW can quickly build and ship a built-to-order X3, customers still may not take advantage.

Reliable figures are difficult to find, but some estimates say only 10 percent to 12 percent of all new vehicles currently sold in the U.S. are ordered. "It's America, we want instant gratification," Wierda says.

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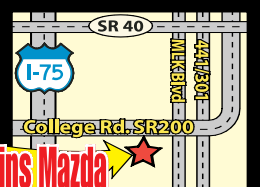
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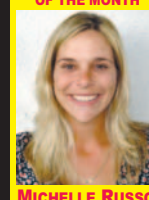
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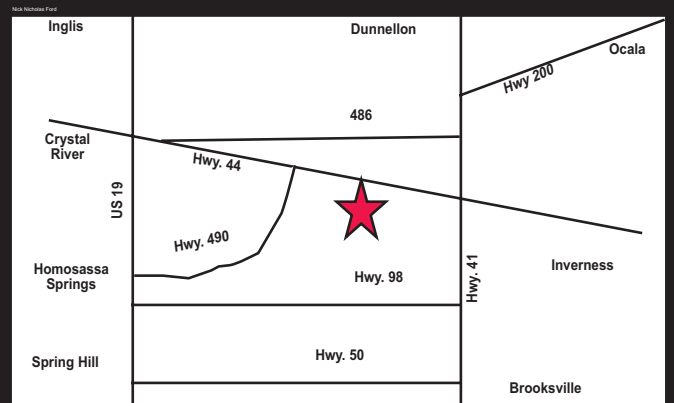
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