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General under fire

McChrystal, commander of Afghan war, at risk of losing his job

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Barack Obama rebuked his Afghanistan war commander for "poor judgment" Tuesday and considered whether to fire him in the most extraordinary airing of military-civilian tensions since Harry Truman stripped Gen. Douglas MacArthur of his command a half-century ago.

Gen. Stanley McChrystal is prepared to submit his resignation at a meeting with Obama today at the White House, two military officials said, speaking on condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to speak publicly.

Obama summoned McChrystal to explain disparaging comments about his commander in

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BOCC backs ballot, not tax

School district seeks approval of tax referendum

MIKE WRIGHT Chronicle

Citrus County commissioners reluctantly gave the school board permission Tuesday to place a property tax referendum on the November ballot, while openly predicting its failure with voters.



John Thrumston

"I know what they're going to tell you," Commissioner John Thrumston said. "Not only no, but hell no!"

School board attorney Wes Bradshaw and director of planning Chuck Dixon said the referendum simply asks voters to keep in place a tax the school district levies now.

The referendum deals with a cut of the school district's tax rate and the vote is necessary by state law.

The state had allowed the district to levy up to 2 mills for capital improvement programs, such

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JUST FOR KICKS



County kickball league allows adults to get leg up on fun

Three bases and a home plate, two teams and a big, red rubber ball.

Kickball hasn't changed since you played it in third grade.

Locally, Citrus County adults — men and women — are kickin' it old school on Wednesday nights at Bicentennial Park in a coed kickball league, now in its second season.

Let the games begin.

KICKBALL 101: FROM THE BEGINNING

Originally called "kick baseball," kickball was created in about 1917 by Nicholas Seuss, supervisor of park playgrounds in Cincinnati, Ohio.

A few years later, physical education teachers used the game to teach students the basics of baseball using a soccer ball or volleyball.

During World War II, American journalist Ernie Pyle reported that U.S. soldiers played kickball while off duty during the Tunisia Campaign in 1942-1943.

WHO'S ON FIRST?

A kickball team consists of 11 players on the field: three basemen, four outfielders, two shortstops, one pitcher and one catcher. At least two players must be women.

Local games last for one hour — as many innings as the teams can complete in that time.

According to the World Adult Kickball Association rules, the pitcher rolls the ball (no "bouncies" on purpose — the ball can't bounce more than 1 foot off the ground) to the person who's up, who in turn kicks the ball from inside the kicking

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ABOVE: Sunshine Café catcher Joe Clifton tags out Jack Brooks, of the Majide team, during kickball play at Bicentennial Park in Crystal River. MIDDLE RIGHT: Michelle Russo, of the Majide team, takes her turn during a game of kickball on a recent Wednesday night. BOTTOM RIGHT: Bobby Ford, of the Majide team, fields a ball during a game against Sunshine Café. According to one source, Majide is Japanese slang for "seriously?"

BRIAN LaPETER/Chronicle



Board: Our water isn't going anywhere

Commissioners say transfers not part of equation

MIKE WRIGHT Chronicle

Citrus County's groundwater won't be transferred to Hernando County or anywhere else, county commissioners reiterated Tuesday.

Commissioners Dennis Damato, Winn Webb and Chairman Gary Bartell said suggestions that the Withlacoochee Regional Water Supply Authority plans water transfers are untrue.



Gary Bartell

All three are members of the water authority and voted last week to approve the authority's 2010-11 budget.

Al Grubman, president of the water watchdog group TOO FAR, two weeks ago accused the three Citrus commissioners of supporting what he said was a water authority proposal to transfer water from a future well in south Citrus

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WAR IN DISARRAY



Associated Press

Gen. Stanley McChrystal, left, and U.S. Ambassador Karl Eikenberry stand during a memorial service to honor members of the Afghan National Security Forces who lost their lives in service to Afghanistan in Kabul, Afghanistan. McChrystal's job appeared in grave jeopardy as an infuriated President Barack Obama summoned the Afghanistan war's U.S. commander to Washington to explain his extraordinary complaints about the president and his aides.

Remarks echo troubled Afghan war

STEVEN R. HURST
AP analysis

WASHINGTON — The war in Afghanistan appears in disarray.

The commanding general's disrespectful remarks about President Barack Obama and his team are the latest setback for a nine-year war rocked by rising casualties, declining public support, growing doubts among allies and feuding between Washington and Kabul.

Whether he fires Gen. Stanley McChrystal or lets him survive with a harsh scolding, Obama opens himself to further political attack as he struggles to keep his balance in the midst of the nation's economic woes and the environmental devastation from the Gulf oil spill.

The Republican opposition will likely seize on the McChrystal flap as evidence of Obama's weakness as commander in chief, even though the party supports the president's Afghan policy.

Liberal Democrats were already disenchanted with Obama for continuing to fight the war against daunting odds and at huge cost.

The White House would not say on Tuesday if McChrystal will be fired, but declared he had made an "enormous mistake" in the unflattering Rolling Stone magazine article and that "all options are on the table."

McChrystal's immediate boss, Defense Secretary Robert Gates, called the commanding general's remarks a "distraction" from the United States' "singular focus" of "fighting a war against al-Qaida and its extremist allies, who directly threaten the United States, Afghanistan, and our friends and allies around the world."

McChrystal's troubles with Obama are not new and began shortly after he was named commander in May 2009. The general sent Gates a report that concluded the Afghan mission required 40,000 more troops or the United States faced mission failure.

The assessment was leaked and deeply angered the White House, which was in the midst of a protracted study of how to prosecute the war. Some said McChrystal was bullying the administration. In the end, Obama agreed to send 30,000 additional troops, giving McChrystal nearly all the resources he wanted.

McChrystal had already been called to account once by Obama after the commander publicly derided Vice President Joe Biden's position that called for a small troop increase with a heavy emphasis on counterinsurgency efforts to win over the Afghan people.

Since then, U.S. troop deaths in the war crossed the 1,000 mark late last month. A mission to take control of the city of Marja in the south has not been the clear success promised by the military. Rolling Stone said McChrystal calls it a "bleeding ulcer."

And McChrystal seems to have sided with Afghan President Hamid Karzai — who's clearly on the outs with the administration — on how to conduct a long-promised offensive on Kandahar, the biggest city in the south and a Taliban stronghold. The Kandahar operation is considered crucial to the U.S. strategy to turn back the Taliban.

A statement from Karzai's office on Tuesday defended McChrystal.

"The president believes that Gen. McChrystal is the best commander that NATO and coalition forces have had in Afghanistan over the past nine years," the statement said.

But that's likely to do McChrystal more harm than good given Karzai's falling stock at the White House.

Obama's troubles in Afghanistan, as bad as McChrystal's public complaints have now made them, do not stop with internal U.S. disputes.

The U.S. war effort, which has always been tinged with the bad odor of America's defeat in Vietnam, also has caused troubles for Washington's allies in the fight.

On Monday, Britain marked the 300th death among its Afghan forces, and new Prime Minister David Cameron called that "desperately bad news."

The same day, Britain's Foreign Office confirmed

that its outspoken special envoy to Afghanistan and Pakistan had taken an extended leave of absence after reports of rifts with his U.S. colleagues in the region.

Sherard Cowper-Coles has long had a reputation for frank talk and was once quoted as saying the war in Afghanistan was doomed to fail.

Canada, another key ally in the conflict, removed its top military commander in Afghanistan for allegedly having an inappropriate relationship with a female subordinate. Canada is withdrawing all its forces next year.

McChrystal took command in Afghanistan after Obama fired Gen. David McKiernan 13 months ago. That was the first presidential dismissal of a wartime general since President Harry Truman ousted Gen. Douglas MacArthur during the Korean War.

History may be repeating itself more quickly this time.

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chief and Obama's top aides. The meeting was a last-ditch moment for the general once considered the war's brightest hope.

If not insubordination, the remarks in a forthcoming Rolling Stone magazine article were at least an indirect challenge to civilian management of the war in Washington by its top military commander.

"I think it's clear that the article in which he and his team appeared showed a poor — showed poor judgment," the president said, surrounded by members of his Cabinet at the close of their meeting. "But I also want to make sure that I talk to him directly before I make any final decisions."

The eruption comes as the war and public support for it are at a tipping point, a perilous time to change military leadership. A majority of Americans now say the war is probably not worth fighting, and Defense Secretary Robert Gates has said that public dissatisfaction means the U.S.-led international coalition must show progress this year.

In the article, McChrystal did not criticize Obama directly but called the period last fall when Obama was deciding whether to approve more troops "painful" and said the president was handing him an "unsellable" position.

McChrystal also said he was "betrayed" by Ambassador Karl Eikenberry, the man the White House chose to be his diplomatic partner in Afghanistan. He accused Eikenberry of raising doubts about the reliability of Afghan President Hamid Karzai only to give himself cover in case the U.S. effort failed.

"Here's one that covers his flank for the history books," McChrystal told the magazine. "Now, if we fail, they can say 'I told you so.'"

And he was quoted joking that he doesn't recognize Vice President Joe Biden's name.

As support for the general drained in Washington, the showdown was set to take place in two parts — as part of Obama's regular monthly war meeting, in which McChrystal usually participates by videoconference, and a separate discussion with Obama in the Oval Office.

A senior U.S. military official in Afghanistan told The Associated Press the general has been given no indication that he'll be fired — but no assurance he won't be. The official spoke on condition of anonymity to describe internal discussions between Washington and the general's office in Kabul.

A crucial military push to pacify the Taliban heartland in southern Afghanistan is going more slowly than McChrystal had planned, and showing fewer solid results. Marines in Helmand Province are in near-daily firefights, months after a push there was supposed to clear out the bulk of Taliban fighters.

McChrystal has spent the past several

POSSIBLE REPLACEMENTS

● **Marine Gen. James Mattis**, commander of U.S. Joint Forces Command in Norfolk, Va. He has command combat experience in Afghanistan and Iraq. He was passed over as commandant of the Marine Corps this month.

● **Marine Lt. Gen. John Allen**, the deputy commander of U.S. Central Command, under Gen. David Petraeus, since 2008. From 2006-2008, Allen commanded the Second Marine Expeditionary Brigade in Iraq.

● **Army Lt. Gen. David Rodriguez**, McChrystal's No. 2 in Afghanistan. The two men were sent to Afghanistan as a package deal, with plans for Rodriguez to run the war day-to-day while McChrystal focused on the bigger picture. He previously served as a military adviser to Defense Secretary Robert Gates.

● **Army Gen. Martin Dempsey**, commander of the Army Training and Doctrine Command since December 2008. Dempsey commanded the effort to train Iraqi security forces for two years, ending in the summer of 2007. He stepped in as acting commander at Central Command after Adm. William Fallon was forced out. Fallon was done in by an article in Esquire magazine, which described him as the bulwark between the Bush administration and war with Iran.

● **Navy Adm. James Stavridis**, the top NATO commander in Europe. He assumed duties as Commander of the United States European Command in June 2009 and as the Supreme Allied Commander, Europe in July 2009. From 2006-2009, he commanded U.S. Southern Command in Miami, focused on Latin America and the Caribbean.

weeks arguing that the U.S.-led military effort is gaining momentum against the Taliban, while Gates argued for time to show that McChrystal's many changes in strategy and tactics can succeed.

McChrystal publicly apologized Tuesday for using "poor judgment" in the magazine interviews, words echoed later by Obama. He then left Afghanistan for the meeting in Washington.

There has been no similar public contretemps between a president and a top wartime commander since Truman relieved MacArthur of his Far East command in 1951. MacArthur bid farewell in an address to Congress in which he quoted a line from a ballad: "Old soldiers never die; they just fade away."

McArthur had openly flouted the Truman administration's policy of limited war during the Korean War, arguing that the "police action" against North Korea's invasion of South Korea should not be contained to the Korean peninsula but expanded to China and Asian communism in general. Braced for the political fallout to follow, the unpopular Truman fired his popular general rather than allow MacArthur to resign.

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Around the
COUNTY

Cheerleading camp slated for July

The Seven Rivers Christian School cheerleading squads are hosting a Lil' Warrior Cheer Camp from 9 a.m. to noon July 12 to 16 at Seven Rivers Presbyterian Church. Camp is open to ages 3 years through fifth grade. Cost is \$45 and includes a T-shirt, snack and drink each day.

Registration deadline to receive the T-shirt is July 5, but kids can register right up until the last day. For information and registration, call Amy Meek at 212-3038.

'Sheriff's 10-43' to feature IA investigator

Tonight, tune into a new edition of the "Sheriff's 10-43" show featuring Detective Corey Davidson, Internal Affairs investigator for the Citrus County Sheriff's Office. Watch the show to learn how internal investigations are opened, investigated and then resolved. Detective Davidson also gives a comprehensive overview of the Law Enforcement Officers' and Correctional Officers' Bill of Rights, as well as details involving Garrity Rights.

The "Sheriff's 10-43" show can be seen on cable channel 16 at 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays and 11 a.m. Fridays. Prior shows can be seen via the sheriff's office website at www.sheriffcitrus.org. Click on Public Information, then 10-43 Show.

Board votes to expel students

Citrus County School Board members voted in an administrative hearing Tuesday to expel:

■ An eighth-grade male at Citrus Springs Middle School for the first quarter of the 2010-11 school year for assault, threats/intimidation and inappropriate behavior.

■ An eighth-grade female at Citrus Springs Middle School for the first quarter of the 2010-11 school year for assault, threats/intimidation and inappropriate behavior.

■ An eighth-grade male at Citrus Springs Middle School for the first quarter of the 2010-11 school year for assault, threats/intimidation and inappropriate behavior.

■ A 10th-grade male at Lecanto High School for the first and second quarters of the 2010-11 school year for battery, disorderly conduct, disruptive behavior, fighting, violation of rules and repeat misbehavior.

■ A 10th-grade male at Lecanto High School for the first and second quarters of the 2010-11 school year for assault, disorderly conduct, disruptive behavior and threats/intimidation.

GOP candidate drops out of race

A Republican candidate for Citrus County Commission District 4 dropped out of the race Tuesday.

Glen Farmer sent a letter to the Supervisor of Elections Office saying he was withdrawing for personal reasons.

Farmer's exit leaves three Republicans — Rebecca Bays, Donald Sterling and incumbent John Thrumston — along with Democrat Jim Brunswick and no-party affiliation candidate Marco Wilson.

Fun horse show slated Friday

There will be a "fun horse show" on Friday. Registration starts at 6 p.m. and events begin at 7.

The show will be at the Just Horses' Around arena, 6194 W. State Road 44 in Lake Panasoffkee. From Inverness, head east on State Road 44 toward I-75. Once you go over the Withlacoochee River bridge, turn left onto County Road 247 and you are there. Call Tricia Uzar at 726-8609 or Kathy Indelicato at 563-7017.

—From staff reports

Local thrift shop to close

Salvation Army says other needs more pressing

CHRIS VAN ORMER
Chronicle

The struggling economy and the volume of competitors have taken a toll on the Salvation Army Family Thrift Store.

"It has closed," said Lt. Vanessa Miller, Citrus County Corps officer, of the facility at 3400 E. Gulf-to-Lake Highway, Inverness.

It was the charity's only thrift store in the county.

"The thrift store's overheads were too high, and it was pulling funds from our social services budget," Miller said. "So we had to close it in this economic climate, in hope of

being able to open it again later."

Miller said the problem was that the thrift store just wasn't paying for itself.

"All our stock is donated," Miller said, "but we have to pay employees' salaries and benefits and rent for the building. We couldn't make it. We needed our resources to help those in need with their own bills, electricity, rent and mortgage."

Citrus County has a large number of charity thrift stores, a fact that impacted the Salvation Army.

"There are so many thrift and discount stores in this county that it is hard to compete," Miller said.

The charity's work will continue. Through flood and fire, people in need have looked to the Salvation Army for help with food, clothing and shelter. Its thrift store had long generated funding for emergency and disaster relief and other programs.

Three years ago, staff and volunteers spent a week sprucing up the

To donate or volunteer, contact the Salvation Army at 3975 W. Grover Cleveland Blvd., Homosassa. Mailing address: P.O. Box 1630, Lecanto, FL, 34461; or call 621-5532.

allowing them to be self-sustaining. A major part of the men's and women's involvement in their own rehabilitation is work therapy. Some of this is done in the thrift stores.

Commercial resale stores seem to do well during a slow economy, according to Adele R. Meyer, executive director of the National Association of Resale and Thrift Stores, and that, too, may work against the charity thrift stores.

"People who previously gave away clothing, household goods and furniture are seeking other ways to dispose of unwanted items during an economic pinch," Meyer said in a media release issued in February. "Some donate merchandise to a not-for-profit thrift shop and take advantage of the tax deductions while helping a charity raise money. Others may choose to sell or consign merchandise at a local resale shop, turning their no-longer-needed articles into cash."

thrift store and reopened with the goal of bringing in \$1,000 a day in sales. The re-launch worked initially to increase sales, but the lengthy recession finally caught up with the store.

"We find we are getting support in volunteers and donations," Miller said.

The thrift store of each corps serves three distinct purposes, according to the Salvation Army's mission. The stores provide quality clothing, furniture and other goods to the community at bargain prices. The Salvation Army's Adult Rehabilitation Centers are completely funded from the proceeds of the thrift stores,

Here, fishy fishy fishy ...



MATTHEW BECK/Chronicle

Many anglers are learning that fishing from a kayak affords them stealth in shallow water and a sense of being one with nature. The shallow-drafting boats, like the one above, shown fishing the Crystal River, have become a popular platform from which to fish inshore for redfish, snook, bass and other game fish.

Around the **STATE**

Spring Hill

Man charged in younger brother's death

Authorities in central Florida said a 20-year-old man has been charged with the murder of his brother after their father discovered the victim son's body buried in their yard.

The Hernando County Sheriff's Office said Stanley Elias Eckard was arrested Monday. He is being held without bond in the death of 19-year-old Sean Paul Eckard.

According to investigators, the younger brother hadn't been seen since Friday. On Saturday, the victim's mother saw the older son burying something in the yard of their Spring Hill home.

The suspect allegedly said he was burying items of an old girlfriend.

Detectives say the father started digging into the depression at the urging of an older sister Monday. He uncovered the hand of his son and stopped digging. The family called 911.

New Port Richey

Woman gets 9 months for starting office fire

A Pasco County woman has been sentenced to nine months in jail for starting a fire at her former job so she could leave work early.

A judge sentenced 39-year-old Michelle Perrino Monday after she pleaded guilty to criminal mischief. She must also pay \$4,800 in restitution for damage to the office.

Perrino was working at the Bayonet Point Oxygen Clinic in Port Richey in May 2009 when someone set fire to a file cabinet. Perrino quit her job as a customer service representative a few days later. When investigators ques-

tioned her former roommate, he told them the fire was the latest in a string of ploys Perrino used to avoid work. Before the fire, she reportedly shut off the building's power and caused the phones to stop working.

Perrino was initially charged with arson when she was arrested in September.

Miami

Six charged in string of upscale home burglaries

Six people have been arrested in what authorities are calling a high-end burglary ring that targeted upscale homes and took in jewelry totaling more than \$2 million.

The arrests were announced by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement on Monday.

Investigators say more than four dozen burglaries took place between June 2009 and May of this year, targeting upscale homes in gated communities from Miami to Jupiter.

In one case, the burglars took a safe with \$500,000 worth of jewelry and drove off in the homeowner's Bentley.

Man with Alzheimer's dies after drinking detergent

State officials want a South Florida assisted living facility fined after one of its residents died from drinking dishwasher detergent.

Florida's Agency for Health Care Administration filed a complaint last month, asking an administrative law judge to fine the Homewood Residence at Delray Beach \$10,000 for failing to maintain a safe environment. Officials say 93-year-old Michael Gruen was in the late stages of Alzheimer's Disease when he poisoned himself in December.

A spokeswoman for the facility's

parent company said there was no way staff could have predicted the events that led to Gruen's death. She said the device holding the detergent was under the kitchen sink, and Gruen had to disconnect the hoses to get to the fluid.

Leesburg

Cricket farm wiped out by fast moving virus

A large commercial insect farm that provided millions of crickets to Florida theme parks, zoos and reptile owners has been silenced by a quick-spreading virus.

The Lucky Lure Cricket Farm in central Florida has been forced to file for bankruptcy after a virus contaminated the facility and wiped out the cricket colonies earlier this year.

The densovirus is also believed to have destroyed similar farms in Europe, and has caused a nationwide shortage of crickets, a staple food for pet lizards and other reptiles.

Eglin Air Force Base

Panhandle woman dies during triathlon

A Florida Panhandle woman collapsed and later died during a triathlon at Eglin Air Force Base over the weekend.

Officials say 40-year-old Bernadette Collins collapsed Saturday during the run portion of Eglin's My First Tri. She was taken to a base hospital, where she was pronounced dead.

Collins was a physical education teacher at Shalimar Elementary School. The school's principal, Sheila Lightbourne, says Collins was in excellent shape, and everyone at the school was shocked by her death.

—From wire reports

Hospital launches compliance hot line

Special to the Chronicle

The Citrus County Hospital Board of Trustees has launched a 24-hour reporting hot line service to ensure employees, physicians, volunteers, vendors and other individuals will have the opportunity to communicate any concerns or complaints with Citrus Memorial Health System. The compliance/complaint hot line number is (888) 394-2281.

An outside company monitors this hot line 24 hours a day, seven days a week. This company will ensure that all calls will be handled with respect and shall remain confidential if requested, and in an ethical and legal manner.

All reports and information from these phone calls will be shared simultaneously — but kept confidential — with members and staff of the Citrus County Hospital Board of Trustees, as well as a designated individual at Citrus Memorial Health System for follow-up and action.

According to the trustees, the intent of the hot line is to minimize and/or eliminate areas of concern related to health-care practice, waste, fraud and abuse, employee abuse and employee harassment. In addition, employees and others are now provided an avenue to seek immediate review of all concerns and complaints.

Findings and actions will be shared in a monthly anonymous report to the trustees and Citrus Memorial Health System officials. The appropriate administrative staff of the respective boards will review the concerns and complaints.

People with questions about the hot line may call the board of trustees at 726-5111.

Emergency responders look for storms

The News Service of Florida

TALLAHASSEE — Florida emergency responders are looking into the Caribbean as they prepare for what could be the first storm of the 2010 hurricane season, an arrival that would not only curtail recovery operations but could require them to open up the partially capped oil leak in the Gulf of Mexico.

Meeting with a group of local and state officials, Florida Director of Emergency Management

David Halstead said Tuesday there is a possibility that a tropical wave developing in the Atlantic will intensify into a tropical cyclone within 48 hours, though by late Tuesday afternoon, the National Hurricane Center said the probability was only about 20 percent.

Though the preliminary forecast calls for the system to move further west into Mexico, the storm's path could veer northward and might then require cleanup crews to cease operations until

weather conditions improve.

And that's a problem.

Officials are in the process of replacing the current, rigid well containment and oil collection system with another that is more flexible. Though that will allow them to collect more oil, it does not help in the event of bad weather. In the event of a storm, the recovery vessels and their crews will have to detach themselves from the collection system, leaving the oil free to spew into the gulf again.

State emergency responders

will have a much better bead on the issue in the next 48 to 72 hours as they continue to track the tropical wave now located south of Cuba. Conditions remain favorable for tropical cyclone formation over the next week or so.

On Tuesday, state emergency response team leader Mike DeLorenzo reminded state emergency responders that they needed to better focus on hurricane preparation while not taking their eyes off spill recovery efforts. Such a dual role is not un-

usual for the agency that at one time handled back-to-back hurricanes over a two-year period.

State officials are gearing up for a big meeting today as BP executive Darryl Willis joins in a daylong series of presentations on the BP claims process. State oil spill task force members will also get reports from officials on how the spill is affecting employment and food stamp enrollment.

To date, BP has paid nearly 18,000 claims worth nearly \$16 million in Florida.

WATER

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County into Hernando County.

Bartell said the authority has no plans to transfer water. He said it has future plans to interconnect wells in the four-county region of Citrus, Hernando, Marion and Sumter counties.

Those interconnections would also take into account alternative suppliers of water, such as desalination plants, he said.

Grubman said the Citrus commissioners should have specifically stated that any future authority plans could not include moving water from Citrus to Hernando County.

"You should have said it's forbidden, instead of taking their word for it," Grubman said. "I hope you gentlemen take a tighter rein."

Bartell said plans do not call for water transfers — period.

"Pipes flow both ways," he said. "It's a balancing act, that's all this is."

In other business, the board:

■ Heard the first quarterly update from new Economic Development Council Executive Director John Siefert, who listed several accomplishments of the EDC with numerous partners, including the Citrus County Chamber of Commerce and Tampa Bay Partnership.

■ Awarded a \$15.7 million bid to D.A.B. Constructors Inc. of Inglis for the next phase of widening County Road 486 from Ottawa Avenue to just west of C.R. 491.

The project came in about

\$5 million under budget, allowing the county to speed up widening of the final two segments between Black Diamond and State Road 44.

County officials hope to have that bid ready in two years to coincide with the expected completion of the project they approved Tuesday.

■ Heard an update of the Drug Court and Mental Health Court, funded in part by grants from the U.S. Department of Justice and other agencies. Both courts divert participants into specialized programs better suited for their illnesses and addictions.

"Is it cost effective? Yes," Circuit Court Judge Richard "Ric" Howard said. "Is it the right thing to do? Yes."

Howard added: "I'm not known as a hug-a-thug kind of guy. It works."

■ Directed Thorpe to study whether the county should buy Rolling Oaks Utilities Inc., a Beverly Hills water-sewer utility.

■ Approved a trial program to allow people to walk their leashed dogs during certain times in the morning and evening at Floral City Park and Central Ridge District Park.

County Administrator Brad Thorpe said several residents have requested the county approve dog-walking in parks, as is the case on the Withlacoochee State Trail and Whispering Pines Park in Inverness.

Thorpe said he will know in six months whether the trial attracts responsible dog owners. If it does, the county may expand the program to other parks.

He joked: "We're going to step into the unknown."

KICKS

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box area around home plate.

Bunting is allowed, but only by women. Players need to be at least 18 years old.

Stealing bases and leading off are not allowed, and players can slide home if they want to, said Andy Smith, supervisor for Citrus County Parks and Recreation, but not many do.

Cost is \$150 per team.

MEET THE PLAYERS

Currently, six teams play in the league: Sunshine Gang, M.A.S.H., Skin Deep, Blind Side, Larry's Auto, which is the county team, and Majide (pronounced "Mah jee day"), which, according to one person is

Japanese for "You've got to be crazy," but another translation is, "Seriously?"

Games are played at 6:30, 7:30 and 8:30 p.m. Wednesdays at Bicentennial Park in Crystal River. Spectators are welcome and encouraged to come cheer on the teams.

"We have six teams now, but we hope to double that next season in the fall," Smith said.

PEOPLE ARE SAYING

"It's a good way to relieve stress and have a good time with friends."
— Beth Rice, Majide team captain

FOR INFORMATION

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— Compiled by Nancy Kennedy



Oil safety briefing

BP Chief Operating Officer Doug Suttles, right, attends a worker health and safety training briefing Tuesday at the Santa Rosa Island Authority building on Pensacola Beach after taking a tour of Fort Pickens.

Associated Press

State BRIEFS

Democrats renew special session call

Three legislative Democrats on Tuesday renewed calls for Gov. Charlie Crist to call a summer legislative session to address the BP oil spill.

Lawmakers should return to give the attorney general authority to prosecute certain environmental crimes, provide small business relief, create a compensation commissioner to oversee the claims process and to ban drilling in Florida waters, the Democrats — Sen. Dan Gelber, D-Miami Beach, Rep. Keith Fitzgerald, D-Sarasota and Rep. Rick Kriseman, D-St. Petersburg — said.

The last idea had been put forth shortly after the spill began, but Republican leadership resisted that proposal, saying a ban is already in place and isn't likely to be lifted anytime soon because of the anti-drilling sentiment that has arisen since the spill.

Earlier this week, Crist said he would like to bring lawmakers back to Tallahassee for spill-related legislation, but that the House has resisted.

Tea Party candidate polls for Grayson

A state House candidate said Tuesday that he doesn't know whether a Tea Party candidate in his race was put there by Democrats, but said it doesn't make sense for the Tea Party to run against him because he fits in with what Tea Party voters want.

"I'm that guy — I'm the conservative, never-run-for-office-before, non-politician type," said Republican Larry Ahern, who is running against incumbent Democratic Rep. Janet Long in St. Petersburg-area House District 51. The race also last week drew a surprise last minute entry from Victoria Torres of Orlando — a fair way from the district, Ahern noted in an interview with The News Service of Florida on Tuesday.

Washington D.C. newspaper

Roll Call reported Tuesday that Torres started a polling company in 2008 called Public Opinion Strategies Inc., and that Democratic U.S. Rep. Alan Grayson paid her firm \$11,000 this year for polling. Republicans have alleged that Democrats are behind some of the Tea Party candidates, with hopes of shifting votes away from GOP candidates.

Torres didn't return a call earlier this week from the News Service of Florida. A Grayson spokesman, Todd Jurkowski, told Roll Call that there wasn't any proof that any money went from Grayson to the Tea Party, and that the idea he was bankrolling a Torres candidacy was "conspiracy theory."

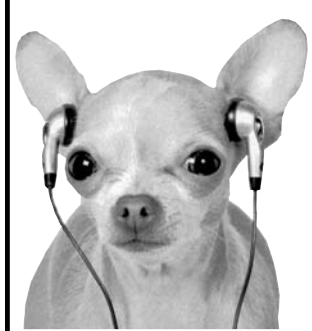
Fasano to Crist: Don't pick Bane for PSC

Outspoken Florida Public Service Commission critic Sen. Mike Fasano urged Gov. Charlie Crist to cross one name off the list of possible appointments to the panel he recently received from the PSC Nominating Council: former Executive Director Mary Bane.

A PSC employee since 1978, Bane led the PSC's full-time

staff from 2002-2009. She was one of eight candidates to replace former PSC Commissioners David Klement and Benjamin "Steve" Stevens to survive vetting from the Nominating Council. But in a letter to Crist Tuesday, Fasano said that Bane should not be a PSC commissioner because she was at the helm of the panel when staffers were alleged to have sent off-the-record cell phone messages to utility employees during rate increase requests. "Probably more than anyone who may be seeking this position, she stands out as the one person who would not be able to carry out your mission of cleaning up the image and integrity of the commission," Fasano wrote. "It was during her tenure as the Commission's executive director that the well-publicized ethical lapses at both the staff and commissioner level took place. My legislation introduced during the 2010 legislative session to overhaul the Commission was inspired by the various incidents of poor judgment and ethical misdeeds that occurred under her watch."

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Obituaries


Samuel 'Sam' Cooper, 95
 INVERNESS

Samuel Scott Cooper died at home on Friday, June 18, 2010, with family and Hospice of Citrus County. His life will be celebrated at the Chas. E. Davis Funeral Home in Inverness on Saturday, June 26, at 1:00 p.m., with Pastor Craig Davies of the First Presbyterian Church officiating.



Samuel "Sam" Cooper

Sam was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, on March 7, 1915, to Charles Cooper and Florence Schuster Cooper. As a teen, he moved with his family to Fort Lauderdale, FL, where he lived and worked for 50 years. He owned and operated Angelo's Seafood and Cooper's Finer Foods, and was a past president of Southeastern Fisheries Association. He was a member, elder, and trustee of the First Presbyterian Church of Fort Lauderdale.

He maintained perfect attendance of Rotary International for over 50 years and was awarded the Paul Harris Fellowship. Fellow Rotarians will remember him for his weekly "Happy Dollar" to celebrate "just being alive today!"

He married Helen Tucker in 1933 and they enjoyed 43 years of marriage until her sudden death in 1976. In 1980, Sam married Jeanette Toomer and moved to Key West, FL, where he became very active in the community and remained involved in the seafood industry. At the age of 90, he and Jeanette moved to Inverness to live with her daughter and son-in-law.

Sam enlisted in the Army in 1943, completed Officer Candidate School and was honorably discharged with the rank of Captain in 1946. He commanded a tank destroyer vehicle with the 716th Tank Battalion on Mindanao during the liberation of the Philippines. He was awarded the Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal with Bronze Battle Star, the American Campaign Medal, the World War II Victory Medal, the Philippine Liberation Ribbon and a Presidential Testimonial. He was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the Military Order of the World Wars.

In addition to his first wife, he was preceded in death by his brothers, Walter and Joe Cooper, and his sisters, Dora Florey and Sara Calvetto.

He is survived by his wife, Jeanette Toomer Cooper; his brothers, Ben and Leo Cooper; his daughter and son-in-law, Jan and Jim Fortune; his son, Dr. Stanton T. Cooper; five grandchildren, Ashley Fortune Whitehurst, Anne Steele Fortune Hinshaw, Aaron Cooper, Joshua Cooper and Ashton Cooper; and two great-grandchildren, Leila Hinshaw and Thomas Whitehurst. His step-children include Gene and Jeanie Roberts, Eddie Toomer, Roy and Gina Toomer, Ricky Toomer and Colleen and Edward Gartenmayer.

Sam spent many hours of his life donating to those in need. In lieu of flowers at his memorial, he would be pleased to know that contributions be made in his name to any of your favorite charities.

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Hazel Elwood, 94
 INVERNESS

Hazel Elwood, 94, Inverness, died June 19, 2010. Funeral services and burial

will be under the direction of Westcott Funeral Home of Unadilla, NY. Chas. E. Davis Funeral Home is in charge locally.

Joanne Salisbury, 47
 INVERNESS

Joanne Salisbury, age 47, Inverness, died Monday, June 21, 2010, at Orlando Regional Medical Center. Born in Glen Cove, NY, on February 12, 1963, she came to this area in 2000 from Clearwater, FL. She was a remarkable wife and mother, who enjoyed going to yard sales and camping. She especially liked watching her son in mud bogging contests.

Her survivors include her husband of 19 years, Timothy Salisbury, and her son Nikolas Salisbury, both of Inverness, and her mother, Carol Dellagrotta, of New Port Richey, FL.

Chas. E. Davis Funeral Home with Crematory is in charge of private cremation arrangements.

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Lillian Smith, 73
 HERNANDO

Lillian Ann Smith, 73, of Hernando, FL, died June 18, 2010, at the Hospice Care Unit at Citrus Memorial Hospital.



Lillian Smith

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 Highway 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

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Mary Smith, 73

Mary Frances Cobb Smith, age 73, died Saturday, June 19, 2010, at Seven Rivers Regional Medical Center. She was born in Dothan, Alabama, to J.D. Cobb and Inez Watford Cobb on October 30, 1936. She retired from the State of Florida as a secretary. She was a volunteer for many years for the Micanopy Fire Department and won honors for her agility and ability.

She was predeceased by her husband, Russell Smith, and her son, Joseph Smith. She is survived by her daughter, Sharon Clark; son-in-law, Robert Clark; granddaughter, Lauryn

Clark of Homosassa, FL; three sisters, Edna Brigman of Homosassa, FL, Nina Hinnant of Lecanto, FL, and Barbara Wazniak of Jacksonville, FL; several nieces and nephews; and numerous aunts and uncles and cousins from Alabama, Pennsylvania, and Florida. She is also survived by a close friend of the family, Kirby Kirk.

Funeral Services will be held Thursday, June 24, 2010, at 2:00 p.m. Williams-Thomas Downtown, 404 N. Main Street, with the Rev. Clarence Hand officiating. Family will receive friends one hour prior to the service beginning at 1:00 p.m. Burial will follow at Micanopy Cemetery.

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Forrest 'Sparky' Strickland, 85
 INVERNESS

The Service of Remembrance for Mr. Forrest S. "Sparky" Strickland, age 85, of Inverness, Florida, will be held 10:00 a.m. Friday, June 25, 2010, at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Lecanto, with Bishop Robert Hoki presiding. Interment will follow at Florida National Cemetery, Bushnell, Florida. The family will receive friends from 9:00 a.m. until the time of service Friday at the Church. The family suggests memorial contributions to Hospice of Citrus County, P.O. Box 641270, Beverly Hills, FL 34464. Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.HooperFuneralHome.com.

Sparky was born February 27, 1925, in Ozona, FL, son of the late Daniel and Lillian (Beville) Strickland. He died June 20, 2010, in Inverness, FL. Mr. Strickland was an Army veteran serving during World War II. He worked in commercial and industrial construction, installing asbestos. He was a lifelong resident of Florida. He was the Past Bishop of two congregations in Tampa, FL, and a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Lecanto.

Survivors include his wife of 59 years, Naomi Strickland, of Inverness, FL; son, Forrest Michael Strickland, of Kissimmee, FL; 4 daughters, Stephanie Marlene Oldfield of Orange Park, FL, Lillian Elizabeth Branson of Inverness, FL, Mary Shirlyne Ross of Orange Park, FL, and Sherri Lynne Schneider of Inverness, FL; 18 grandchildren; and 4 great-grandchildren.

Arrangements are under the direction of the Inverness Chapel of Hooper Funeral Homes & Crematory. Sign the guest book at www.chronicleonline.com.

Deaths ELSEWHERE
Nico Smith, 81
 ANTI-APARTHEID RELIGIOUS LEADER

JOHANNESBURG—The Rev. Nico Smith, a white pastor who challenged South Africa's apartheid system by moving with his wife into a black township in the 1980s, has died of a heart attack, one of his daughters said Sunday. He was 81.

Smith collapsed while attending a friend's birthday party Saturday in Pretoria, and died before he could be taken to a hospital, said Marita Laubscher, the eldest of his three daughters.

In the tumultuous '80s, Smith was one of a tiny handful of clerics who left the white Dutch Reformed Church — the largest denomination among the Afrikaners who then held

political power — because of the church's refusal to actively oppose apartheid. Smith instead joined the denomination's black offspring.

Smith, who had been a missionary in the far north of South Africa and later a theology professor at the University of Stellenbosch, began preaching in Mamelodi, the main black township outside Pretoria, in 1982.

He moved there to live a few years later, along with his wife, Ellen, a child psychiatrist. They were the first whites officially permitted by the government to live in a black township in an era where apartheid laws rigorously segregated residential areas, schools, hospitals and public amenities.

In 1988, Smith was one of the principal organizers of what at the time was an unprecedented experiment in trading places. About 170 whites lived in Mamelodi for four days, sharing cornmeal dinners, outside toilets, and middle-of-the-night visits from the police.

At the time, few whites knew firsthand how blacks lived because they seldom ventured into the townships located on the periphery of the cities.

Laubscher, in a telephone interview, said her father was dedicated to the goal of racial reconciliation in South Africa, which dismantled apartheid in the early 1990s.

Smith's funeral is scheduled for Thursday at a church in Pretoria where he and his colleagues helped build a multiracial congregation.

Marcel Bigeard, 94
 FRENCH COMMANDO LEADER

PARIS — Gen. Marcel Bigeard, who led France's elite parachute forces in colonial wars in independence-seeking Indochina and Algeria after serving in the French Resistance in World War II, has died at age 94.

"He has been called the best paratrooper in the world, and whatever the truth of that, he most certainly has a claim as the most battle-proven," said Martin Windrow, a British military historian and expert on France's colonial wars.

But Bigeard also was captured by insurgents while fighting in Vietnam, and he was accused of being ruthless against POWs in Algeria, in a conflict his country eventually lost.

Born Feb. 14, 1916, in Toul in eastern France, Bigeard went into German captivity as a warrant officer in 23rd Fortress Infantry Regiment in June 1940. He escaped on Nov. 11, 1942, made his way to Senegal, in what was then French West Africa, and was commissioned into Gen. Charles de Gaulle's Free French Forces.

Bigeard rose to fame during France's ultimately doomed effort to reassert control over its colony in Vietnam, after it proclaimed independence in 1945. He served three combat tours there, and his crack 6th Colonial Parachute Battalion became France's spearhead in the war against President Ho Chi Minh's nationalist guerrillas.

Bigeard argued — unsuccessfully — that the colonial army could only defeat the insurgents if they matched their enemy's aggression, endurance and fieldcraft.

—From wire reports

Obama to Europe: Don't slash spending

Many nations making tough budget cuts

Associated Press

LONDON — A trans-Atlantic rift is growing over the right medicine for Europe's financial crisis, with Britain announcing its steepest cuts in decades Tuesday and Germany defending its own austerity measures after a warning by President Barack Obama that budget-slashing could threaten the global recovery.

Britain's emergency budget is the latest in a string of deep cuts in public spending and reflects new resolve in Europe, after Greece was pushed to the brink of bankruptcy and even threatened the bloc's economic union, to tackle debt before worrying about growth.

As leaders of the Group of 20 economic powers prepare to assemble later this week in Canada, that single-minded focus is worrying the United States. Obama wrote a letter to world leaders Friday warning against excessive spending cuts.

German Chancellor Angela Merkel fought back this week, defending her government's \$80 billion savings plan as British treasury chief George Osborne forged ahead with his own grim budget.

Many European analysts agree that taming deficits is the more urgent priority.

Obama "has a point, but there are some countries that don't have a luxury of a choice, they have got to get a grip and start cutting quickly because the alternative of becoming the next Greece is not palatable to them," said Jonathan Loynes, chief European economist at Capital Economics in London.

The British budget aims to sharply reduce record public debt. Shoppers will pay higher sales taxes,

wealthy people will be hit for higher capital gains taxes and banks will be charged a new levy on profits, a move already approved by France and Germany. Even Queen Elizabeth II accepted a freeze in her support from taxpayers.

In Germany, a spokesman for Merkel said she talked by phone Monday with Obama about a letter he wrote to G-20 leaders in which he cautioned against hurting the fragile global economic recovery by trimming spending prematurely.

The letter was seen as a criticism of Germany's plan to reduce its deficit, but the spokesman said Obama did not pressure Germany to continue stimulus spending by piling up more debt. The spokesman spoke on condition of anonymity in keeping with government policy.

Europe's leaders are stuck in a quandary: They must bring down mammoth debt through spending cuts to ward off economic panic, but the measures are bound to stunt growth. And it will probably take years to determine whether they chose the right medicine and dosage.

"My suspicion is that it will be a major drag on the economy for a few years, and it may be we decide in the future whether they went too aggressively, but the political and market climate right now is such that they had no choice," Loynes said.

The realization that Europe is bound to implement spending cuts that will hurt growth for years has weighed on the euro, pushing it to four-year lows earlier this month. On Tuesday it traded at about \$1.227, down somewhat from Monday.

Economic stagnation in Europe would hurt the U.S. by crimping its exports just as America is trying to limp out of its own slump. But in Europe, Obama's concerns are trumped by a desire to stabilize the European Union and the euro.

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The catch? It's not finished.

Nicknamed “Versailles” by owner and timeshare tycoon David Siegel, the massive mansion hit the market recently as the largest home for sale in the United States. Construction was halted last year to save money in a recession that proved particularly hard on Siegel's once-booming industry, so there's an option to buy the completed property at \$100 million.

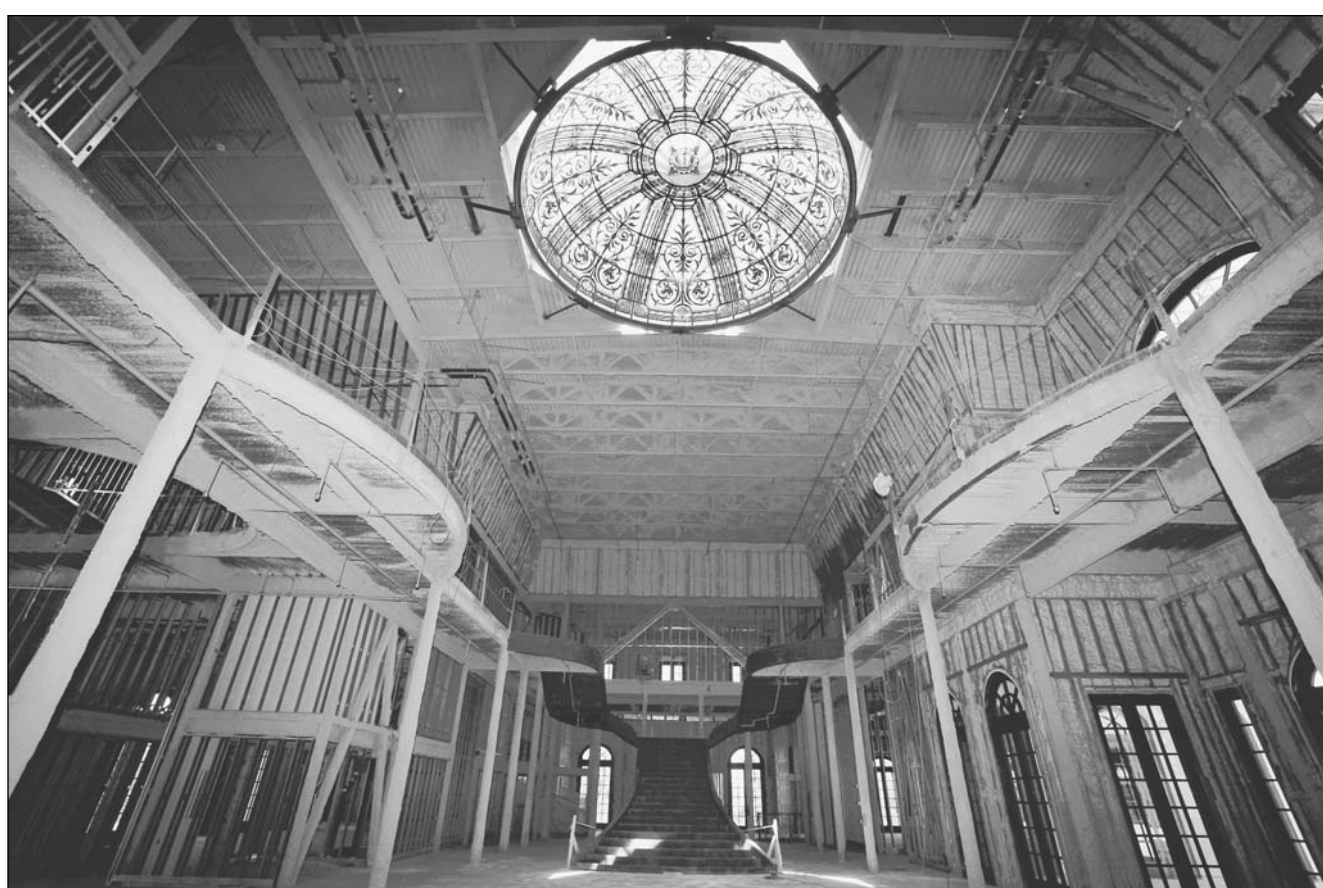
“This mansion is a great anecdote of the overconsumption that led to the housing bust, and it might be the poster child of such overindulgence,” said Jack McCabe, a Florida-based real estate analyst.

Others see the mansion as a sign of the economy's comeback — if there's a buyer.

“There has been a lot of interest already,” said Lorraine Barrett, a Coldwell Banker real estate agent who has the listing.

The palace at 6121 Kirkstone Lane is more an all-inclusive resort than a home. The mansion's design is so big and bold — exuberance down to the smallest details — it makes Tiger Woods' place just down the street in this Orlando suburb look like a guest house.

Consider: The mansion has the square feet of nearly two football fields, is almost



Associated Press

A photo shows the main room at the entrance of the unfinished mansion nicknamed “Versailles,” which is listed for sale “as is” by owner and timeshare tycoon David Siegel in Windermere, Fla.

double the White House and about 36 times the size of the average American family home.

The master bedroom alone, which would have had a rotating bed under a skylight, is twice a standard house. There also were plans to have a 12-foot aquarium in Siegel's office, and the total bedroom count doesn't even factor in quarters for maids and workers.

“It's like a living piece of art,” Barrett said.

At least it will be upon completion.

Instead of stonewalled gates, now a chain-link fence with a green covering keeps onlookers out of the 10-acre property. The driveway is overrun with dirt and rocks. The planned baseball field is filled with weeds.

The home opens into a grand hall with symmetrical staircases and a ceiling complete with a stained-glass dome befitting a cathedral. The rest of the mansion is more an outline of what it will be: no carpet, no tile, no interior walls — only steel beams, insulation and most of the electrical

wiring are in place. The two elevator shafts are empty.

The exterior's stone is waiting to be set in boxes that fill the 20-car garage (with additional space for two limos). The Olympic-length pool that will have a waterfall flowing into another pool is a carved-out shell. A cleaning company has to come to the vacant mansion to keep things tidy.

A monument to unfinished success, indeed.

“He figured it would be for his family. They'd never have to leave, because they would have everything they needed here,” Barrett said during a recent tour of the mansion. “Nothing broke his heart more.”

She said Siegel, who has 12 children, could have easily moved forward with construction but wanted to avoid cutbacks at his company, Westgate Resorts. Requests to interview Siegel were not returned through Westgate Resorts or Barrett.

The challenge of selling a high-end home is never easy, and that's only magnified in this recovering market.

Sheri Chase, founder and president of Chase Realty International, has had the listing for a \$100 million estate in Lake Tahoe, Nev., for about four years. The 20,000-square-foot home on 210 acres of property is owned by Tommy Hilfiger co-founder Joel Horowitz.

“There are only so many billionaires in the world,” Chase said. “Who's looking at prices in this stratosphere? Very few people, so patience is key.”

There also aren't many homes in the U.S. valued so high.

The Lake Tahoe estate is the third-most expensive on the market, according to the annual ranking by Forbes magazine. That's only behind a \$150 million mansion in Holmby Hills, Calif., owned by Candy Spelling, widow of television giant Aaron Spelling. Another Holmby Hills mansion owned by Suzanne Saperstein, the ex-wife of Texas billionaire David Saperstein, has a \$125 million asking price.

In 2008, a Russian billionaire bought Donald Trump's

the Biltmore Estate in Asheville, N.C.

The Versailles mansion sits on 1,200 feet of waterfront on Lake Butler, the largest in a chain of lakes that draws star athletes and celebrities to the neighborhood. There are 66,800 square feet that are climate controlled.

To the naked eye, the structure might not look so massive from the front. The foundation actually sits some 20 feet below the rest of the block — making the entrance to the home on the second floor — because there's a 47-foot height restriction. In reality, the mansion is 67-feet high.

It's not cheap to maintain, either.

Taxes alone on the Versailles property if sold at \$100 million would be between \$1.45 million and \$1.74 million annually, according to the Orange County property appraiser's website. The yearly upkeep also would likely fall in that range, real estate agents said.

The unfinished structure might be an eyesore for neighbors now, but that also gives buyers a chance to put their mark on the final touches.

“It's going to take a very unique kind of buyer to purchase the property,” said Carol Ann Hewitt, who has listings for high-end homes in Windermere for Oxford Realty. “I'm not going to say it's impossible, but it could take a while.”



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Group to sue over Happy Meals

*McDonald's
blamed for
obesity*

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Are the toys in your child's Happy Meal making him fat?

The Center for Science in the Public Interest says they are. The Washington-based consumer advocacy group threatened to file a lawsuit against McDonald's Tuesday, charging that the fast food chain “unfairly and deceptively” markets the toys to children.

“McDonald's marketing has the effect of concepting America's children into an unpaid drone army of word-of-mouth marketers, causing them to nag their parents to bring them to McDonald's,” CSPI's Stephen Gardner wrote to the heads of the chain in a letter announcing the lawsuit.

The center, which has filed dozens of lawsuits against food companies in recent years, is hoping the publicity and the threat of a lawsuit will force McDonald's to negotiate with them on the issue. The group announced the lawsuit in the letter to McDonald's 30 days before filing it with the hope that the company will agree to stop selling the toys before a suit is filed.

McDonald's Vice President of Communications, William Whitman, said in a statement that the company “couldn't disagree more” with CSPI's assertion that their toys violate any laws. He said McDonald's restaurants offer more variety than they ever have and Happy Meals are made smaller for kids.

“We are proud of our Happy Meal which gives our customers wholesome food

and toys of the highest quality and safety,” Whitman said. “Getting a toy is just one part of a fun, family experience at McDonald's.”

CSPI says the suit would be filed in state court. The center has not settled on a state yet, but the group believes the toys in Happy Meals violate state consumer protection laws in Massachusetts, Texas, the District of Columbia, New Jersey and California.

California's Santa Clara County voted earlier this year to ban restaurants from giving away the toys and other freebies that often come with high-calorie meals aimed at kids.

McDonald's has fought such criticism for years, and the company made a pledge in 2007 to advertise only two types of Happy Meals to

children younger than 12: one with four Chicken McNuggets, apple dippers with caramel dip and low-fat white milk, or one with a hamburger, apple dippers and milk.

They both meet the company-set requirement of less than 600 calories, and no more than 35 percent of calories from fat, 10 percent of calories from saturated fat or 35 percent total sugar by weight.

CSPI argues that even if those Happy Meals appear in advertisements, kids order the healthier meals most of the time.

The group is hoping its first lawsuit against the mega-chain will have a similar effect as its 2006 lawsuit against Kellogg that prompted the company to agree to a settlement raising

the nutritional value of cereals and snacks it markets to children.

Still, some may accuse the group of extremism, arguing that it's the parents' responsibility to monitor what their children eat, not the restaurant's.

Michael Jacobson, executive director of CSPI, says it's the parents' responsibility too, but he equates the toy giveaways to a door to door salesman coming to a family's house every day and asking to privately speak with the children.

“At some point parents get worn down,” Jacobson said. “They don't always want to be saying no to their children. We feel like an awful lot of parents would be relieved if this one pressure was removed from them.”

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THE MARKET IN REVIEW

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.

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Source: The Associated Press. Sales figures are unofficial.

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New housing data depresses stocks

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Stocks dropped for a second day Tuesday after home sales fell unexpectedly and the White House said it would fight a court ruling that lifted its ban on offshore oil drilling.

The Dow Jones industrial average fell 149 points, its biggest drop in about two weeks. Treasury prices climbed after demand for safe investments rose.

The National Association of Realtors reported that sales of existing homes fell 2.2 percent in May. The report surprised analysts who thought sales would get a lift from a homebuyer tax credit.

Sales fell to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 5.66 million from a revised 5.7 million in April. Homebuilder Toll Brothers Inc. slid 3.2 percent, while Hovnanian Enterprises Inc. fell 3.5 percent.

Oil stocks fell after the administration said it would appeal a judge's decision to overturn a six-month ban on deepwater oil drilling in the Gulf of Mexico. Baker Hughes Inc., a supplier of oil drilling parts and services, fell 4.4 percent, while oil-services company Halliburton Inc. fell 3.9 percent.

Market watch

June 22, 2010

Table showing market watch data: Dow Jones Industrials (-148.89), Nasdaq composite (2,261.80), Standard & Poor's 500 (1,095.31), Russell 2000 (645.91), NYSE diary (Advanced: 626, Declined: 2,458, Unchanged: 87), Volume: 4.69 b.

Source: SunGard

AP

Business HIGHLIGHTS

Health costs, buyout trim Walgreen 3Q net income

NEW YORK — Walgreen Co., the biggest U.S. drugstore chain, said Tuesday its profit sank 11 percent in the third quarter because of higher costs related to the nation's health care rules and its \$623 million buyout of rival Duane Reade.

Adobe posts higher 2Q profit as revenue soars

NEW YORK — Software maker Adobe Systems Inc. posted higher net income for its most recent quarter, driven by strong demand for the software package it sells to professional designers and developers.

Orszag says he's leaving as budget head in July

WASHINGTON — White House Budget Director Peter Orszag says he's stepping down next month, positioning him to be the first high-profile member of President Barack Obama's team to depart the administration.

as investors opted for the safety of U.S. Treasuries. The yield on the benchmark 10-year Treasury note, which moves opposite its price, fell to 3.17 percent from 3.25 percent late Monday.

The Dow on Tuesday crossed the unchanged mark 74 times. Peter Tuz, president of Chase Investment Council in Charlottesville, Va., said trading likely will be choppy until July when companies start to report earnings from April-June quarter.

"It's kind of like summer doldrums until earnings season," Tuz said. "Once that begins, you start to get clarity."

The euro resumed its slide against the dollar after rising for most of the past 10 days. The euro fell to \$1.267.

The stronger dollar hurts commodity prices by reducing demand from foreign buyers. Crude oil fell 71 cents to \$77.90 per barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange.

Technology shares fell less than the broader market after Apple Inc. said it sold 3 million iPads in the first 80 days the tablet computers were on sale in the U.S. The stock rose \$3.68, or 1.4 percent, to \$273.85.

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Arthur Young, 1741-1820

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ANTICIPATION

Time to save Three Sisters for eternity

One of the final steps in the preservation of Three Sisters Springs will take place Thursday.

The Florida Communities Trust board will meet in Tallahassee to consider what level of funding it will approve for the purchase of the land surrounding the springs.

It is critical that the FCT board approve the \$2 million that was identified by Sen. Charles Dean, R-Inverness, during the recent legislative session.

The \$2 million is the final piece of funding that is needed to rescue the property from becoming a high-density residential community. Citizens and local community groups have contributed money along with the city of Crystal River, Citrus County government, the Southwest Florida Water Management District, the Felburn Foundation, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service along with dozens of private businesses.

Three Sisters Springs is one of the most unique environmental landmarks in the entire state of Florida. If this high-density development takes place, it will forever turn a public treasure into the backyard playground of a minority.

During the cold winter we just endured, the environmental importance of Three Sisters was illustrated when more than 100 endangered manatees crowded into the relatively warm water around the springs.

This property must be preserved for a public purpose. It has been a long and bumpy

road to raise the funds to make this purchase happen. The state's final \$2 million contribution will get it the level needed to save the land.

There has been widespread public and private support for this effort. Groups that have traditionally stood on opposite sides of the growth management debate have come together to rally for this cause. And long-time political opponents have had to set aside their differences to fight for the public

THE ISSUE:

Purchasing Three Sisters Springs.

OUR OPINION:

State needs to take the final step.

good.

We urge the members of the state FCT board to do the right thing and approve the \$2 million. On at least three different occasions over the last 25 years groups have come together to try and purchase the Three Sisters Springs property for preservation purposes.

And each time the effort has failed.

There is always the fear that we might pay too much for the property — and that is legitimate. But each time that concern has served as a barrier to success and when the issue comes around again, the price is always higher.

This is the last chance we — the people of Florida — have to save this incredible resource for future generations and for the protection of our wildlife.

If you take the long view, finalizing this purchase will be the most important environmental accomplishment we've had in a decade. We ask the FCT board to show leadership and take this final step.

six times since February when they could have just paved it once. I'm sure they (could have) paved this road since 1998 and saved money.

Oil aplenty

This is for all the negative people who always claimed that we didn't have oil off our coastlines. Well, guess what? There seems to be plenty of oil floating around nowadays. I'm wondering if their minds have been changed on whether or not we should drill. Yeah, we need to come up with an emergency plan on how to solve an emergency like the one we're dealing with, but no one can say now that we don't have enough oil. So that puts an end to that argument.

Emergency rides

In regards to the comment concerning the overabundance of police cars being driven home: As a former law enforcement officer, it is very important that in an emergency, that you have quick access to be able to respond in an emergency situation. That means having a car available to you, not having to drive somewhere to pick up a car.

Follow me where?

President Obama's first address from the Oval Office can be summed up with a song lyric from the 1951 Broadway musical, "Paint Your Wagon": "Where am I goin'? I don't

know. When will I get there? I ain't certain. All that I know is I am on my way."

Trying to gain momentum he might have had in the initial days following the BP oil disaster; the president took aim at several targets. He is unlikely to hit any of them, with the possible exception of BP, which could conceivably be forced out of business if retribution becomes the goal. Liberals love to beat up on big business, but beating up BP to the point of bankruptcy will not only cost U.S. jobs, but also threaten thousands of pensioners in Britain.

After pledging massive efforts to help clean up the continuing mess while acknowledging damage will continue for a long time, the president turned to his real agenda, which is known as cap and trade, or to conservatives, "cap and tax." He erroneously said, "We are running out of places to drill on land and in shallow water." No we're not. We are running out of places environmentalists will allow us to drill. There's plenty of oil (and gas) to be found under the earth, but the far-left greenies in pursuit of their cowardly new world will have none of it.

The president tried to coin a phrase, saying we need a "national

mission" that will lead America to the promised land of energy independence. Every president since Jimmy Carter has said the same thing. At least President Obama didn't give his speech in a cardigan sweater. More about Obama's style in a moment.

The president said he has issued a six-month moratorium on new deepwater drilling until an investigation is completed into the cause of the BP accident. But we already know the cause from internal BP emails. Safety was compromised in exchange for

speed and profit. The accident was an aberration. It appears most offshore oil platforms function safely and efficiently. Allowing for the construction of new ones closer to shore with proper oversight is an important step the president should take. Allowing existing oil rigs to continue pumping will preserve jobs.

Nuclear power is the future. This president is correct when he says we can't rely on oil forever. But the way to lead us away from our dependence on foreign oil is not by using the BP disaster to pass his fantasyland cap-and-tax legislation. Instead, he should use the threat of more terrorism as a motivator. But this administration won't label the terrorists for who they are, so don't look for any courage along those lines. A patriotic push, not just punitive punishment, is what's needed, but you've got to show love for Amer-

ica to rally patriots and this president is no George Washington.

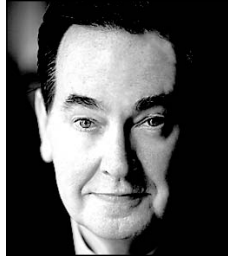
The president seems to want a replay of his big government health care bill by using this "crisis" to push "cap and tax" legislation. He promised to listen to Republicans, but that's what he said about the congressional health care bill. In the end, he didn't much. We are living on borrowed money and if it keeps up we will also be living on borrowed time. Replacing dependence on oil with greater dependence on our Chinese debt-holders exchanges one addiction for another.

Now to style. The opening TV shot made the president look small. He was seated too low behind his desk and could have used a booster seat. Rather than fill the Oval Office with his presence, the scene appeared to dominate him. Everything around the president seemed larger than him: desk, flags, window, even his suit.

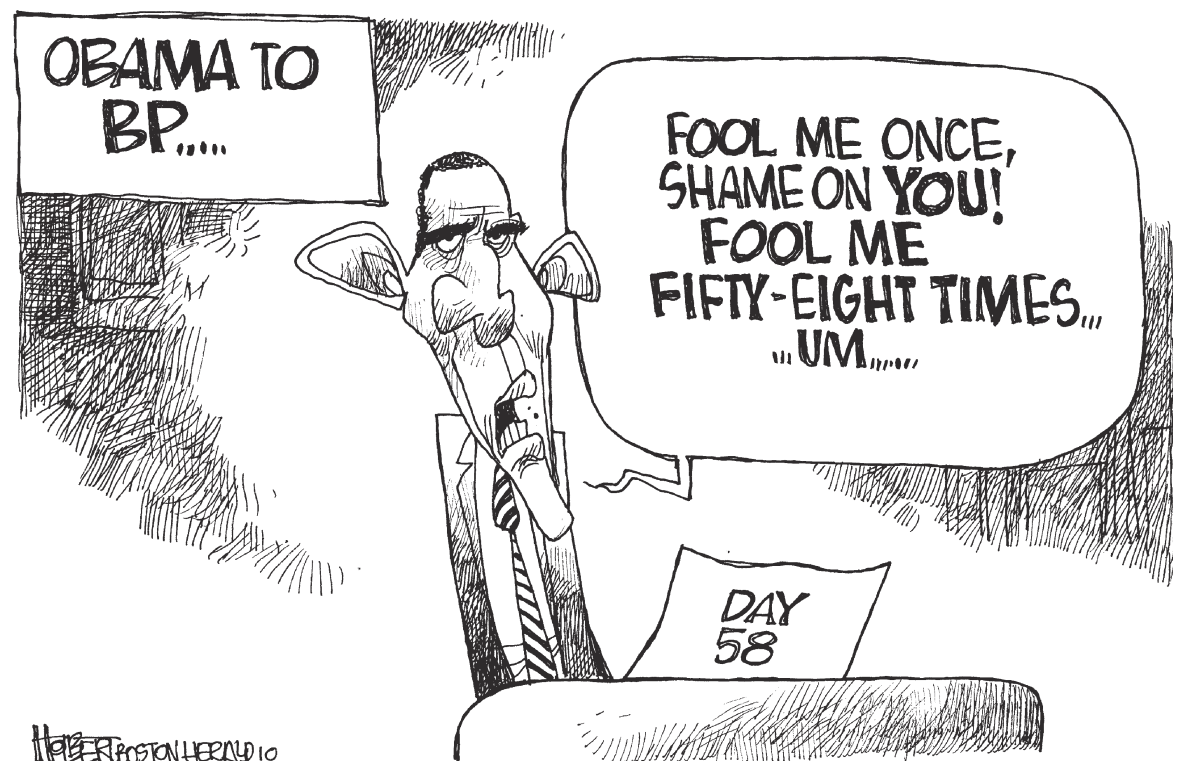
His gestures resembled a local TV news anchor. Gestures are better used when a speaker is standing. When one is seated, they become a distraction. And his voice never seemed to change. There was no cadence, no variation of tone, no pausing for emphasis.

The president doesn't know where he's going, but he assures us we'll get there. It sounds like a joy ride, but without the joy.

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OTHER VOICES



LETTERS to the Editor

9/11 memorials

Recently, I met with the *Chronicle* editorial board regarding the governmental entities of Citrus County, Crystal River and Inverness to have 9-11-01 memorials.

I have been in contact with the director of the state 9/11 Foundation, Mr. John Pedalino, who promised parts from the New York World Trade Center for each government entity.

After contacting all three governments, the City of Crystal River has shown leadership with the city council giving consensus agreement for a 9/11 memorial in the lobby of City Hall. Soon, hopefully, Pedalino will provide the WTC part. I have also received word that Citrus County and the City of Inverness plan on having 9/11 memorials.

It will soon be nine years since 3,014 innocent U.S. citizens and citizens from 70 countries were brutally murdered by Muslim terrorists.

At least 200 of these people jumped to their deaths from New York's Twin Towers, 441 emergency workers died there at what became known as Ground Zero. Also, there were 189 people killed at the Pentagon in Arlington County, Va., and a fourth plane crash at Shanksville, Pa., which killed 220. Since 9-11-01, our country has endured many terrorist threats, including a recent attack at Fort Hood military base in Texas, where several servicemen were shot and killed by a terrorist. There was a Christmas

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Day airline terrorist threat and a Times Square terrorist threat. If there ever was or will be a time for U.S. citizens to unite in defense of our country and honor those who have passed due to terrorist threats, now is the time.

The 3,014 innocent victims killed on 9-11-01 did not sign up to fight terrorist enemies of the United States, or fight in war. They were only at work. Our country and armed service should have protected them. Our country failed them.

There is no official 9-11-01 memorial for the victims in Citrus County, even though there are 38 in other counties in Florida.

Thank you, Crystal River, for caring and showing respect for 9-11-01 citizen victims by planning a memorial for them.

I have heard that there are many family members of 9/11 victims and at least one survivor who live here in Citrus County. At least they will know that the citizens of Crystal River, Citrus County and myself care.

Renee McPheeters
Crystal River

Litigious prez

Re: Wednesday's front page bold print headline, "BP will pay," showing our president and governor doing a photo op.

It's obvious that our president, with his legal background and community organization skills, is more experienced and focused on litigation than problem-solving. Needless to say, this oil gusher is a major environmental disaster. Shouldn't his primary focus be on solving the problem rather than litigation? The Brits got it right in labeling this administration as "litigious."

Based on America's financial dilemma and this environmental disaster, isn't it time to change the makeup of politicians who represent us from lawyers to successful business executives and engineers?

Richard Kwiecinski
Homosassa

No answers

This is Saturday, June 19. I'm responding to your article concerning the workshop held to calm fears in Citrus County regarding the oil spill. Firstly, the truth about all aspects of this spill has been in short supply since the inception of this catastrophe back in April, and BP representatives have been the prime culprit. Secondly, government officials at all levels, from here to Washington, have no clue as to what, when and in what amount oil will impact our area. In fact, even in Louisiana, where conditions are the worst, are there any definitive answers as to these questions?

In a rut

I live on a dirt road and they have fixed it six times since February. I've lived on it since 1998 and they fix this road 10 times a year. They say the only policy that they have to pave a dirt road is if the neighbors pay for it. Well, if we don't pay for it, they're going to continue to fix it 10 times a year. As far as I'm concerned, they're wasting my tax money. It's not a cost-effective thing to fix the road





Darryl Willis
BP Claims

Making This Right

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My name is Darryl Willis and I'm responsible for overseeing BP's claims process in the Gulf coast. I was born and raised in Louisiana. At age 70, my mother lost her home to Hurricane Katrina. Afterwards, she experienced enormous frustration. So I know first hand that when tragedy strikes on a scale like this, people need help without a lot of hassles.

Independent Claims Compensation Fund

Working with the President, we've created a \$20 billion fund to satisfy all legitimate claims. This fund will be administered by a highly respected independent overseer and will not come at any cost to taxpayers.

How To File A Claim

To speed help, BP's Claims Center is open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. The number is 1-800-440-0858. When someone calls, they'll find out how to submit their claim and can schedule a face-to-face meeting with one of our claims specialists. After meeting, we will be in touch in four days or less and can issue them a check right on the spot. They can also file online at bp.com/claims.

Replacing Lost Monthly Income

Our focus has been on helping the fishermen, small businesses and others who aren't able to work until the spill is cleaned up, by making payments to replace their lost monthly income. These payments will continue for as long as needed.

We have already paid tens of thousands of claims amounting to more than \$100 million. We have recently simplified and accelerated the payment of commercial large loss claims. Over one thousand people are here to help in 33 walk-in claims offices in the Gulf. We have promised to honor all legitimate claims and we will.

Our Responsibility

The Gulf is my home. Doing this right is important to me. My commitment is that we will keep you informed, and we'll be here as long as it takes. We may not always be perfect, but we will make this right.

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Nation BRIEFS

Waiting



Associated Press
A cardboard cutout of "Twilight" cast member Robert Pattinson stands amongst fans awaiting Thursday's premiere of the latest vampire movie, "The Twilight Saga: Eclipse." Fans started camping out Monday at Nokia Plaza in Los Angeles.

Crews try to keep fire from Flagstaff

FLAGSTAFF, Ariz. — Massive clouds of smoke choked Flagstaff on Tuesday as firefighters battled to keep a nearly 19-square-mile wildfire from heading toward the mountain town of about 60,000 people.

The work shifted after firefighters secured the area closest to homes, several hundred of which remained under evacuation orders.

Neb. city votes to restrict illegals

FREMONT, Neb. — This small Nebraska meatpacking town has joined Arizona at the center of a national debate about illegal immigration after voters approved a ban on hiring or renting property to illegal immigrants, but an expected court challenge could keep the measure from ever taking effect.

The Fremont measure will require would-be renters to apply for a license from the city. Officials must refuse to issue a license to applicants found to be in the country illegally.

World BRIEFS

Cool it



Associated Press
Children use a plastic tub to cool themselves Tuesday during a power outage in Baghdad, Iraq. Protests over electricity shortages in Iraq's sweltering south continued on Tuesday, prompting Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki to promise to make power needs a top government priority, a day after Iraq's electricity minister resigned.

Bin Laden hunter to be released

A relative of an American on a solo mission to hunt down Osama bin Laden says the Colorado man is being released by the Pakistani government without charges.

Gary Faulkner, of Greeley, was detained June 13 in the woods of northern Pakistan after being found with a pistol, a sword and night-vision equipment. The 50-year-old told officials he was out to kill the al-Qaida leader. Faulkner was then moved to Islamabad, and a relative told The Associated Press on Tuesday that he was being released to American authorities there and would return to the U.S. "very soon."

The relative didn't want to be identified because a family-designated spokesman hadn't yet confirmed the release.

—From wire reports

Home sales slip, market struggles

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The housing market may be on the verge of taking another plunge that could weaken the broader economic recovery.

Sales of previously occupied homes dipped in May, even though buyers could receive government tax credits. And nearly a third of sales in May were from foreclosures or other distressed properties. That means home prices could soon be heading down after stabilizing over the past year.

Last month's sales fell 2.2 percent from the previous month to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 5.66 million, the National Association

- **SALES SLIP:** Sales of previously occupied homes dipped in May, sinking 2.2 percent. That happened even though buyers could receive government tax credits of up to \$8,000.
- **BAD SIGN:** Analysts fear the real estate market could tumble once the benefit of the federal tax incentives is gone entirely, starting next month.
- **FORECLOSURES CONTINUE:** Sales of foreclosures and other distressed properties made up 31 percent of sales in May. That could rise because the government's efforts to help troubled homeowners

of Realtors said Tuesday. Analysts who had expected sales to rise expressed concern that the real estate market could tumble once the benefit of the federal tax incentives is gone entirely, starting next month.

The report is "a worrisome sign

for what will occur in July and thereafter when the effect of the tax credit is behind us," said Joshua Shapiro, chief U.S. economist at MFR Inc., an economic consulting firm in New York.

Still, most economists don't expect the housing market to be weak

enough to pull the economy back into recession. They anticipate that home sales will dip over the summer, then start growing by fall as the 9.7 percent unemployment rate begins to decline.

Existing home sales have climbed 25 percent from the 4.5 million annual rate they hit in January 2009 — the lowest level of the recession. But they're still down 22 percent from the peak rate of 7.25 million in September 2005.

Real estate agents report a decline in foot traffic, meaning sales could worsen in the coming months. "The urgency just isn't there," said Pat Lashinsky, CEO of ZipRealty Inc., which has agents in 22 states.

Gulf oyster industry on ice

Seafood lovers gird for higher prices, long-term shortages

Associated Press

Whether they're deep-fried, baked or served on the half-shell, most of the oysters eaten by Americans start their journey to the gullet in the Gulf of Mexico.

But with the Gulf now awash in oil, the supply is down, prices are up, restaurants are going oyster-less, and there appears to be no quick fix to the crisis. After all, suppliers on the Atlantic Coast and in the Pacific Northwest can't simply make more oysters.

"In general, it takes us two to four years to grow oyster crops, so it's hard to respond when there's a surge in demand from something like this," said Bill Dewey of the Seattle area's Taylor Shellfish Co. "The Gulf, and Louisiana in particular, is the leading oyster-producing area in the country, and so when they go down it creates a huge void."

Louisiana's oyster industry has been brought to a standstill since oil began gushing into the Gulf in April. Oyster beds have been closed — mostly as a precaution — and fishermen have been put on oil spill duty.

Red Lobster said Tuesday it is taking oysters off its menus when its supply runs out in a few weeks. "Passing along a higher cost to our customers is something we're not going to do," said Rich Jeffers, a spokesman for the nation-

wide chain of 666 restaurants.

Though oysters are grown from the Northeast's Long Island Sound to Humboldt Bay in California, industry officials estimate that 60 to 70 percent of the oysters eaten in the U.S. come from the Gulf. Those Gulf oysters grow in submerged beds from Texas to Florida, with Louisiana accounting for more than half of the supply.

Mike Voisin of Motivait Seafoods in Houma, La., said only a small fraction of Louisiana's roughly 7,500 miles of shoreline has been touched by oil. But because of the closings and the diversion of fishermen, he estimated that only 30 to 40 percent of oyster farms are open.

"It has created confusion in the market, shortages in the market, higher prices," he said. "Pricing has gone up about 40 percent at the dock."

People who make their living off oysters say there is no full-blown nationwide shortage at this point, but dealers and growers on the Pacific and Atlantic coasts say they have been fielding calls from a new set of potential customers.

If Gulf oyster production continues to lag, it could be hard to make up the slack.

Imported oysters make up a very small segment of the U.S. market. Importers must participate in a strict federal program to make sure shellfish are safe from



Associated Press
Angela Cosme, right, shucks Pacific oysters Monday at Taylor Shellfish Co. near Olympia, Wash. The oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico has virtually shut down oyster harvesting in the Gulf, leaving a huge void in the oyster market that can't easily be filled by Pacific and other regional varieties of oysters.

contamination.

But also, Gulf oysters have a certain cachet among seafood lovers because of their clean, refreshingly briny taste. The taste of an oyster is strongly influenced by the water it grows in, meaning a Japan-

ese oyster cannot necessarily be substituted for a Gulf one, said Gavin Gibbons of the National Fisheries Institute, a trade group.

Pacific growers produce a different variety of oyster from the ones harvested on the Gulf and the Atlantic.

In addition, Pacific growers — who largely farm their oysters, as opposed to the wild harvests of the Gulf — have struggled in recent years with production problems that some believe are related to acidic water.

Judge lifts offshore drilling ban

Associated Press



Associated Press
A deepwater drilling rig operates near the site of the Deepwater Horizon disaster in the Gulf of Mexico.

NEW ORLEANS — A federal judge struck down the Obama administration's six-month ban on deepwater oil drilling in the Gulf of Mexico as rash and heavy-handed Tuesday, saying the government simply assumed that because one rig exploded, the others pose an imminent danger, too.

The White House promised an immediate appeal. The Interior Department had imposed the moratorium last month in the

wake of the BP disaster, halting approval of any new permits for deepwater projects and suspending drilling on 33 exploratory wells.

White House spokesman Robert Gibbs said President Barack Obama believes that until investigations can determine why the spill happened, continued deepwater drilling exposes workers and the environment to "a danger that the president does not believe we can afford."

Several companies that ferry

people and supplies and provide other services to offshore rigs argued that the moratorium was arbitrarily imposed after the April 20 explosion that killed 11 workers and blew out a well 5,000 feet underwater. It has spewed anywhere from 67 million to 127 million gallons of oil.

U.S. District Judge Martin Feldman, who was appointed by President Ronald Reagan and has owned stock in a number of petroleum-related companies, sided with the plaintiffs.

Primaries continue anti-establishment tenor

Associated Press

COLUMBIA, S.C. — Nikki Haley, an Indian-American woman, handily won the Republican nomination for governor and Tim Scott, a black lawmaker, grabbed the GOP nod for a House seat in South Carolina primary runoffs Tuesday, a fresh sign of racial progress in the Deep South and the GOP.

Six-term Republican Rep. Bob Inglis fell to prosecutor Trey Gowdy, making him the fifth incumbent House or Senate lawmaker to lose this year.

In North Carolina, Secretary of

State Elaine Marshall overcame a challenge from state Sen. Cal Cunningham, winning the Democratic nomination to challenge GOP Sen. Richard Burr in the fall.

Voters in Utah and Mississippi also decided on their final nominees, just over four months before November balloting.

Tuesday's runoffs and primaries played out across a handful of states, the latest cluster of contests to determine matchups for the midterm congressional elections. Already, 2010 is shaping up to be an anti-establishment year with angry voters casting ballots against candidates with ties to

Washington and the political parties.

With her victory, state Rep. Haley moved one step closer to becoming the first female governor in the conservative-leaning state. She brushed aside allegations of marital infidelity and an ethnic slur to come within a percentage point of winning the gubernatorial nod outright on June 8. And with 66 percent of the precincts reporting in the runoff, she led with 65 percent of the vote to Rep. Gresham Barrett's 35 percent.

Scott, also a state lawmaker, hoped to become South Carolina's first black GOP congressman in more than a century. He beat Paul Thurmond,

the son of the late U.S. Sen. and former segregationist Strom Thurmond in the runoff after securing the backing of several Republican leaders in Washington. With 83 percent of precincts counted, he led with 69 percent of the vote to 31 percent for Thurmond.

Perhaps no other contest illustrated voter frustration better than the runoff between Haley, a state legislator with the backing of tea party activists and Sarah Palin, and Barrett, a four-term congressman who has had to answer for his 2008 vote for the unpopular Wall Street bailout.

■ Numerous top golfers missed out on a chance to take a winnable U.S. Open/B2



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France flounders in loss to South Africa



Europeans fail to win single match in 2010 World Cup

Associated Press

BLOEMFONTEIN, South Africa — Strutting into the stadium dancing and singing, Bafana Bafana turned its final game at the World Cup into a rollicking party for all of South Africa. All that was missing was enough goals to see them through to the next round.

For France, Tuesday's 2-1 loss completed a miserable meltdown. With each team needing a big win to have any chance of moving on from Group A, both stuck to character: South Africa played eager and aggressive soccer. France imploded.

In the end, neither survived the group stage. But Bafana Bafana players left with their heads held high.

"The fighting spirit was there," said Katlego Mphela, who scored one of South Africa's goals. "It's a

bit unfortunate, but we beat France in the World Cup."

Bongani Khumalo scored in the 20th minute when he outjumped France midfielder Abou Diaby to knock a cross from Siphwe Tshabalala into the net with his shoulder. Mphela doubled the lead 17 minutes later, outmuscling defender Gael Clichy to reach a low cross from Tsepo Masilela and knock the ball across the line.

World Cup

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Substitute Florent Malouda scored for France in the 70th. France leaves the tournament with a single point, from a 0-0

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Welcome back, Rafa



Associated Press

Spain's Rafael Nadal makes a backhand return during his match against Japan's Kei Nishikori on Tuesday at the All England Lawn Tennis Championships at Wimbledon. Nadal, the 2008 men's champion, took a relatively easy 6-2, 6-4, 6-4 victory over Nishikori.

2008 Wimbledon champ wins opening round match in return to England

Associated Press

WIMBLEDON, England — Trying to switch directions while chasing a shot beneath the Royal Box at Wimbledon's Centre Court, Rafael Nadal lost his footing and took a nasty-looking spill, flinging his racket in the air while he fell.

The Spaniard was OK, even if he did land on his back behind the baseline and glanced overhead to make sure his equipment wasn't going to nail him in the noggin. Nadal towed off and, four games later, wrapped up a 6-2, 6-4, 6-4 victory over Japan's Kei Nishikori in the first round at the All England Club.

It was merely a coincidence, of course, that Nadal's third-set tumble Tuesday left him in nearly the same position, and in

the same spot, that he found himself the last time he played a match at Wimbledon, almost two full years ago. Except on that occasion, he was dropping to the grass on purpose to celebrate beating Roger Federer in the 2008 final.

Nadal didn't defend that championship, withdrawing last year because of painful tendinitis in his knees. Now he's healthy, reinstated at No. 1 in the rankings, once again the reigning French Open champion — and back on what he called "probably the most beautiful and emblematic court in the world."

Said Nadal: "I'm happy to be here again."

He's also happy to be able to scamper around a court as only he can, knowing that his knees won't let him down.

Another past Wimbledon winner coming off an injury, Maria Sharapova, also played Tuesday, and also won convincingly, eliminating 127th-ranked Anastasia Pivovarova of Russia 6-1, 6-0 in only 54 minutes.

Sharapova had right shoulder surgery in October 2008 and was sidelined for about 10 months, then was hampered by a right elbow injury this season. She's had to toy with her service motion, in addition to confronting worries about when she would regain the strokes that helped her win Wimbledon at age 17 in 2004, then two other Grand Slam titles.

"You never know until things happen. I mean, I believed that I would be back. Did I really know? I assumed, and I had a lot of belief in myself, and I had a tremendous amount of support from the

people around me," said Sharapova, who won 30 of 37 points on her serve Tuesday. "But you never really know till it happens."

And these days, is her best tennis enough to beat anyone?

"Absolutely," Sharapova said.

Joining her in the second round were defending champion Serena Williams, who pounded 15 aces in a 6-0, 6-4 victory over 17-year-old Michelle Larcher de Brito of Portugal to improve to 43-0 in first-round Grand Slam matches; two-time major champion Svetlana Kuznetsova, who overcame 16 aces by Akgul Amanmuradova of Uzbekistan and won 6-2, 6-7 (5), 6-4; and No. 3 Caroline Wozniacki, No. 7 Agnieszka Radwanska, No. 9 Li Na and No. 10

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Win and U.S. is in

Yanks' World Cup fate to be determined today

Associated Press

PRETORIA, South Africa — One more game, one last chance to make their reputation.

When the Americans play Algeria at the World Cup on Wednesday they'll either live up to all the hype and earn a spot among the final 16 teams — or fall painfully short of their long-stated goal and lose a watershed opportunity.

"We have a great chance tomorrow night to get a win and advance on to the second round,"

World Cup USA vs. Algeria

captain Carlos Bocanegra said Tuesday. "It's important for us because we had that disappointment in '06. It's not really extra motivation, but it's just in the back of our minds. You work so hard and you train for so long for the World Cup, and it can be over so quickly if you don't advance."

A victory or possibly a tie would move the United States into the knockout rounds on a high that will set off midday celebrations back home. Replicate the loss to Ghana that knocked the U.S. out in 2006, and it will start a new round of soul-searching for that could cost coach Bob Bradley his job — not to mention dampening the burgeoning enthusiasm for soccer in America.

Since returning to the World Cup in 1990 following a 40-year absence, the U.S. has alternated first-round elimination ('90, '98 and '06) with a second-round appearance at home in 1994 and a trip to the quarterfinals in South Korea in 2002.

This World Cup started with a come-from-behind 1-1 tie

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Rays fall to visiting Padres in 2-1 pitchers' duel



San Diego pitcher Latos tosses seven scoreless innings

Associated Press

ST. PETERSBURG — Mat Latos allowed three hits in seven scoreless innings and the San

Tampa Bay Rays pitcher Wade Davis delivers to the San Diego Padres during the first inning Tuesday in St. Petersburg.

Associated Press

Diego Padres beat the Tampa Bay Rays 2-1 on Tuesday night.

Latos (8-4) struck out eight — including his last five batters — and walked one in improving to 7-1 over his last nine starts. The right-hander also has won all three of his interleague starts this season.

Tampa Bay's Wade Davis (5-8) allowed two runs, four hits and five walks in 4 1-3 innings. The right-hander, who has lost all four of his starts in June, threw 103 pitches.

The Rays are 10-16 since May 23, when they held a six-game lead in the AL East. Tampa Bay started Tuesday second in the division, a half-game behind the New York Yankees.

Chase Headley had an RBI infield single and Will Venable was hit by a pitch with the bases loaded as the NL West lead-ers went up 2-0 in the third. Davis threw 42 pitches during the inning, which included three walks.

The Rays got within 2-1 on John Jaso's one-out RBI single off Mike

Box score

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HITTING THE LINKS

CITRUS COUNTY CHRONICLE

A lost opportunity

Woods, Mickelson, Els all missed shots at taking U.S. Open

Associated Press

PEBBLE BEACH, Calif. — Even with 21 majors, they still had everything to gain by winning the U.S. Open.

For Tiger Woods, a chance to end six months of bad publicity with a 15th major. For Phil Mickelson, a golden opportunity to win something other than silver in the U.S. Open. For Ernie Els, a much-needed reminder that his best golf in the majors is not behind him.

Forgetting about Sunday at Pebble will not be easy.

Woods didn't know this when he started the final round with a three-putt bogey, but he had to shoot only par-71 to join Jack Nicklaus, Ben Hogan and Bobby Jones as four-time U.S. Open champions.

He shot 75 and remains tied with Hale Irwin.

Els was tied for the lead in the final round, for about only 15 minutes, but he had not been in that position at a major in six years. Worse than his bogey-double bogey-bogey stretch along the coast was missing three putts inside 8 feet in a four-hole stretch late in the round.

As for Mickelson?

He started with a birdie and never made another one the rest of the day. Mickelson knows as well as anyone that bogeys are acceptable in a U.S. Open. What hurt him were a series of pars in the first hour, none more painful than the 328-yard fourth hole. He hit a 3-wood to 15-foot for eagle and three-putted for what must have felt like a bogey.

The winner was Graeme McDowell, who made only one birdie in his round of 74 to win a U.S. Open where the stars didn't shine.

It wasn't the first time this has happened in a major.



Associated Press

Tiger Woods drops his club after his drive on the 15th hole during the third round of the U.S. Open golf tournament Saturday at the Pebble Beach Golf Links in Pebble Beach, Calif. A par round in the final day would have won the tournament for Woods but the golfer fired a 75 instead and watched Graeme McDowell claim the major.

Seven years ago in the British Open, three of the top 10 players in the world challenged for the claret jug on the back nine of Royal St. George's — Woods, Davis Love III and Vijay Singh — only to finish in the top five behind surprise winner Ben Curtis.

For all the majors that Woods, Mickelson and Els have won, they know something about losing. All of them have had close calls at least a half-dozen times in majors, when the championship turns on a putt or a bounce.

In this case, it's a question of whom it hurts the most.

Woods is desperate for a victory to shift focus from his personal life, and to establish anew some form of intimidation he once had. Instead, this was the third straight major that Woods teed off in one of the final two pairings without winning.

He made bad swings at Augusta. He made poor decisions at Pebble

Beach.

No one should have been surprised that Woods did not play his best golf Sunday, even after his 66 in the third round in which he finally delivered so many special shots that have defined his career. He keeps talking about a "long process" in getting his game back together, and there's some truth to that. But he's not there yet.

There is too much uncertainty over too many shots, and way too much commotion inside his head from outside forces, namely the state of his marriage and the unending fallout from his affairs.

"The two major championships I finished, I had a chance to win both of them," he said. "So it's not too bad."

Mickelson took another step toward becoming his generation's Sam Snead, who never won the U.S. Open. This might have been an even better opportunity than Lefty

had last year at Bethpage Black, when he was runner-up for a record fifth time.

"I wanted to win," he said. "I'm glad it wasn't a second."

The humor veiled great disappointment, for this U.S. Open opportunity came with much more than a trophy. Mickelson could have gone to No. 1 in the world for the first time, and gone to St. Andrews with great hype about a Grand Slam. Only five other players had ever won the first two legs of the modern Grand Slam.

Aside from missing key putts, Mickelson didn't do much wrong. He three-putted from 20 feet on the 10th, missed an 8-foot par putt on the 14th that he struck perfectly, and picked up his last bogey when he had to make birdie, aiming at the flag on the 16th.

What stings for Els is that of those three, he had the best chance of winning.

LPGA Tour
LPGA Championship
 Site: Pittsford, N.Y.
 Schedule: Thursday-Sunday.
 Course: Locust Hill Country Club (6,506 yards, par 72).
 Purse: \$2.25 million. Winner's share: \$337,500.
 Television: Golf Channel (Thursday, 12:30-2:30 p.m.; Friday, midnight-2 a.m., 12:30-2:30 p.m.; Saturday, 2-4 a.m., 4-7 p.m., 9:30-11:30 p.m.; Sunday, 4-7 p.m., 9:30-11:30 p.m.).
 Last year: Sweden's Anna Nordqvist won the major championship for her first LPGA Tour title, beating Lindsey Wright by four strokes at Bulle Rock in Havre de Grace, Md.
 Last week: Ai Miyazato took the top spot in the world ranking, winning the ShopRite LPGA Classic for her fourth victory of the season. The Japanese star closed with a 7-under 64 to beat M.J. Hur by two strokes in the Atlantic City event.
 Notes: Last year at Locust Hill in the Wegmans LPGA, Jiyai Shin won by seven strokes, finishing at 17-under 271. The second-ranked Shin is returning to play after withdrawing from the State Farm Classic because of appendicitis. ... Yani Tseng won the first major of the season, the Kraft Nabisco in early April. Tseng won the 2008 event at Bulle Rock. ... The Jamie Farr Owens Corning Classic is next week in Sylvania, Ohio, followed by the U.S. Women's Open at Oakmont.

PGA Tour
Travelers Championship
 Site: Cromwell, Conn.
 Schedule: Thursday-Sunday.
 Course: TPC River Highlands (6,841 yards, par 70).
 Purse: \$6 million. Winner's share: \$1.08 million.
 Television: Golf Channel (Thursday-Friday, 3-6 p.m., 8:30-11:30 p.m.) and CBX (Saturday-Sunday, 3-6 p.m.).
 Last year: Kenny Perry won the second of his two 2009 PGA Tour titles, shooting 61-68-66-63 for a tournament-record 258 total. Paul Goydos and David Toms tied for second, three strokes back.
 Last week: Northern Ireland's Graeme McDowell became the first European in 40 years to win the U.S. Open, beating France's Gregory Havret by a stroke at Pebble Beach. McDowell finished with a 3-over 74 for an even-par 284 total.
 Notes: The 49-year-old Perry tied for 33rd in the U.S. Open. ... J.J. Henry won in 2006 to become the first Connecticut winner in tournament history. ... In 2005, Rhode Island native Brad Faxon matched the course record with a closing 61 and beat Tjaart van der Walt with a birdie on the first hole of a playoff. ... The AT&T National is next week at Aronimink in Newtown Square, Pa.

Champions Tour
Dick's Sporting Goods Open
 Site: Endicott, N.Y.
 Schedule: Friday-Sunday.
 Course: En-Joie Golf Course (6,974 yards, par 72).
 Purse: \$1.7 million. Winner's share: \$255,000.
 Television: Golf Channel (Friday, 6:30-8:30 p.m.; Saturday-Sunday, midnight-2 a.m., 1-4 p.m.; Monday, midnight-2 a.m.).
 Last year: Lonnie Nielson won his second Champions Tour title, finishing with a 9-under 63 for a three-stroke victory over Fred Funk and Ronnie Black.
 Last event: Nick Price won the Principal Charity Classic on June 6 at Glen Oaks in Iowa, shooting a 4-under 67 to beat Tommy Armour III by four strokes. Price has two Champions Tour victories this year and three overall.
 Notes: En-Joie was the site of the PGA Tour's now-defunct B.C. Open from 1971-2005. Craig Stadler, in the field this week, won the 2003 B.C. Open to become the first player to win a PGA Tour event while a member of the Champions Tour. He closed with a 63 to overcome an eight-stroke deficit and win by a stroke. ... Joey Sindelar (1985 and 1987), Jeff Sluman (2001), Wayne Levi (1984) and Mike Hulbert (1989) also are B.C. Open winners. All four grew up in upstate New York. ... The Montreal Championship is next week at Fontainebleau.

PGA European Tour
BMW International Open
 Site: Nord-Eichenried, Germany.
 Schedule: Thursday-Sunday.
 Course: Munich Nord-Eichenried Golf Club (7,025 yards, par 72).
 Purse: \$2.46 million. Winner's share: \$409,850.
 Television: Golf Channel (Thursday-Saturday, 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.; Sunday, 6-10 a.m.).
 Last year: England's Nick Dougherty closed with an 8-under 64 to hold off Argentina's Rafa Echenique by a stroke. Echenique holed out from 243 yards on the par-5 18th for a double-eagle 2 and a 60.
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 Notes: Ernie Els, third last week at Pebble Beach, is in the field along with Havret, Paul Casey, Nick Faldo and German stars Martin Kaymer, Bernhard Langer and Alex Cejka. In 2008, Kaymer became the first German winner in event history, birdieing the first hole of a playoff with Denmark's Anders Hansen after blowing a six-stroke lead in the final round.

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 CTP No. 15 John Tuttle
 9 Holers
 Frank Hughes 30
 Rich Mazzuca 31

CITRUS HILLS
Citrus Hills Men's Golf Association
 Wednesday, June 16
 LG Front - LN Back - 11 Teams (4 players)
 First place - score -5 - Jon Walton, Paul Perregaux, Joe Matt and Harold Cippollone
 Second place - score -4 - Dick Stillwagon, Dick Brown, George Lowell and Len Ciriello
 Third place - score -2 - John Nagle, Harvey Schrank, Ev McPhillips and Keith Bainbridge
 Fourth place - score even - Jim Remler, Cliff Schoenberger, Bob Kimball and Clint Wynne
 Fifth place - score +1 - Jerry Czack, Mike Rizzio, Len Feutz and Dave O'Brien

CITRUS SPRINGS
MEN
 June 10 - Citrus Springs Men's Golf Association played 3 best balls
 First place: B. Curry, R. Woodworth, G. Wilde and L. Ward
 Second place: B. Malloy, D. Gonczy, M. Laritz and W. Brooks
 Closest to the pin:
 No. 4 D. Balas, Nos. 8 and No. 11 T. Redding, No. 14 E. Starling and No. 16 B. Hunt
 June 12 - Men played team points
 First Place: D. Voss, R. Woodworth, T. Sullivan and (blind)
 Second place: B. Manecky, M. Benmark, E. Colletti and (blind)
 Third place: P. Clutter, B. Malloy, J. Ruby and J. Lycke
 Closest to the pin:
 No. 4 C. Curtis and Nos. 8, No. 11 and No. 14 B. Curry and No. 16 P. Clutter
 June 15 - The men played odd/even
 First place: J. Williamson, G. Robertson, J. Ruby and E. Colletti

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Local LEADERS

HOLE IN ONE
 Bob Lytle got a Hole in One on June 6 on hole 8 with 152 yards using a 2 hybrid witnessed by Reggie Thurlaw at Twisted Oaks Golf Club.

Second place: L. Marston, W. Miner, L. Murphy and J. Lycke
 Closest to the pin:
 Nos. 4 and 16 J. Williamson, No. 8 C. Curtis No. 11 W. Miner and No. 14 L. Murphy
WOMEN
 JUNE 15 - The Citrus Hills Women's Golf Association was divided into two teams, the Eagles and the Birdies. We played a Team Point Quota game. Winners were the Eagles and the members of this team were:
 Jean Heck, Pat Laskowski, IvaLee Lawrence, Marti Jones, Sung Ja Kim, Brenda Lindsey, Betty Mullins, Lily Kim, Eugene Chung, Helen Forte, Christine Youn, Jinsuk Song, Soon Park, Bonnie Yanosy, Jane Han, Jeannette Mazzone, Linda Mullen, Nancy McCoy, Gloria Phillips, Barbara Musick, Fe Alino, Cathi Smith, Ori McPhillips, Lois Foley, Karen Feutz, and Mary Jane Rugala.
 Birdies: Jackie Dziekan, No. 16; Clara Kim, No. 15; Brenda Lindsey, No. 1 and No. 6; Sung Ja Kim, No. 9; Betty Mullins, No. 1; Lily Kim, No. 15; Susan Kim, No. 1; Fe Alino, No. 9; Nelia Rodriguez, No. 1; Decima Sutherland, No. 18.
 Citrus Springs Golf and County Club
 9 Hole Par 3 Mixed Scramble
 June 17, Results:
 First place - Score 26* - Linda Miller, Keith Miller, Rick Drohan and Linda Turschmann
 Second place - Score 26* - Noreen Elliott, Don Elliott, Hazel Voss and Don Voss
 Third place - Score 28 - Char Kimpel, Jane Woodard, Henry McAloon and Walt Rogers
 Fourth place - Score 29 - Pete Rocca, Marsha Rogers, Barb McAloon and Ed Turschmann

SUGARMILL WOODS
Sugarmill Woods Country Club "Swingers"
Ladies 9-Hole League
 Low Net - Pine results:
 Flight A:
 First - score 32 - Barbara Turska
 Second - score 36 - Mary Randall
 Third - score 38 - Dot Lafferty
 Flight B:
 First - score 39 - Cranie Koellhoffer
 Second - score 42 - Claire Carriveau
 Third - score 44 - Linda Griffiths
MEN
 June 17 - Sugarmill Woods Men's Golf association played 4 Man Scramble Mixed Flight.
 First place -5
 (Tie) John Holden, Dennis Borrás, Jim Turner, Chris Christensen
 (Tie) Erv Koch, Ron Broadbent, Jim Duller, Howard Wallace
 Third place at -4
 (Tie) Soc Hiotakis, Tom Venable, Rich Dulaney, Charlie McCreery
 (Tie) Stuvie Wainwright, Chuck Reeb, Tony

SEVEN RIVERS
MEN
 June 17 - Today the Seven Rivers Men's Golf Association played a "two man better ball" tournament. Winners are:
 First Flight
 First place Cliff Ledbetter 56
 Sam McMechan 56
 Second place Ron Neal 58
 Ted Grabowski
 Second Flight
 First place Bob Cox 55
 Dick VanPoucker
 Second place Gene Kelly 59
 Al Silliman
 Closest to the pin No. 7 Ted Grabowski and No. 11 Bob Cox.

SOUTHERN WOODS
MEN
 June 16 - Southern Woods MGA results for a scramble are:
 First place -7
 Doug Martin, Bill Holland, Don Gilbert and Dan Santero
 Second place -6
 (Tie) Howard Watson, Bill Engelbrecht, Mike Theodore and Bob Chadderton
 (Tie) Soc Hiotakis, Jack Sandlas, Ed Ryal and Rich Galasso
 (Tie) Steve Ley, Bob Ingerick, Mike Medland and Tom Venable

PINE RIDGE
Thursday Little Pine League
 Scramble June 17
 First place - Score 26 - Sha Sha Bryant, Don Bryant, John "The Greek" and Rich De Vito
 Second place - Score 27 - Mary Burgess, Myrt Russell and Harry Preston
 Third place - Score 38 - Chris Tallard, Lord David Riach and Lady Ann Riach
 Birdies:
 Don Bryant - Hole No. 9
 Mary Burgess - Hole No. 2
 Harry Preston - Hole No. 4
Wednesday Little Pine League Association
 Low Gross June 16 results:
 Babe Zaharais Flight:
 First - Score 31 - Margie Ebbert
 Second - Score 32 - Cheryl Sedlock
 Patty Berg Flight:
 First - Score 34 - Linda Snell
 Second - Score 40 - Joanne Kettelstad
 Julie Inkster Flight:
 First - Score 39 - Rainey Hart
 Second - Score 42 - Char Kimpel
 Nancy Lopez Flight:
 First - Score 43 - Myrt Russell
 Second - Score 46 - Deb Zoffoli
 Special Events:
 CTP No. 1 - Joyce Brown
 CTP No. 3 - Margie Ebbert
 CTP No. 7 - Margie Ebbert
 CTP No. 9 - Rainey Hart
 CTL No. 6 - Myrt Russell
 Birdies:
 Cheryl Sedlock - Hole No. 9
 Margie Ebbert - Hole No. 3 and 8
 Julie Kranker - Hole No. 3
 Chip Ins:
 Julie Kranker - Hole No. 3
 Rainey Hart - Hole No. 6

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Table with columns for Team, W, L, Pct, East Division GB, WCGB, L10, Str, Home, Away, and various league statistics.

NL

Table with columns for Team, W, L, Pct, East Division GB, WCGB, L10, Str, Home, Away, and various league statistics.

INTERLEAGUE

Monday's Games
Washington 2, Kansas City 1
Cincinnati 6, Oakland 4, 10 innings
Arizona 10, N.Y. Yankees 4

Tuesday's Games
Philadelphia 2, Cleveland 1
Florida 10, Baltimore 4
Washington 4, Kansas City 3
St. Louis 9, Toronto 4
San Diego 2, Tampa Bay 1
Detroit at N.Y. Mets, 7:10 p.m.
Texas 6, Pittsburgh 3
Chicago White Sox 9, Atlanta 6
Minnesota at Milwaukee, late
Boston at Colorado, late
N.Y. Yankees at Arizona, late
Cincinnati at Oakland, late
L.A. Dodgers at L.A. Angels, late
Chicago Cubs at Seattle, late

Today's Games
Cincinnati (Cueto 6-2) at Oakland (Mazzaro 2-1), 3:35 p.m.
Kansas City (Bannister 6-5) at Washington (Strasburg 2-0), 4:35 p.m.
Cleveland (Westbrook 4-4) at Philadelphia (K.Kendrick 4-2), 7:05 p.m.
Florida (Nolasco 5-6) at Baltimore (Matusz 2-7), 7:05 p.m.
St. Louis (Carpenter 8-1) at Toronto (R.Romero 6-3), 7:07 p.m.
Detroit (Bonderman 3-4) at N.Y. Mets (Dickey 5-0), 7:10 p.m.
San Diego (Correa 5-5) at Tampa Bay (J.Shields 6-6), 7:10 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Maholm 4-5) at Texas (Nippert 2-3), 8:05 p.m.
Atlanta (T.Hudson 7-2) at Chicago White Sox (Buehrle 5-6), 8:10 p.m.
Minnesota (Liriano 6-4) at Milwaukee (M.Parra 1-5), 8:10 p.m.
Boston (Lackey 8-3) at Colorado (Jimenez 13-1), 8:40 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees (Vazquez 6-6) at Arizona (Willis 1-0), 9:40 p.m.
L.A. Dodgers (Ely 3-4) at L.A. Angels (Pineiro 6-6), 10:05 p.m.
Chicago Cubs (R.Wells 3-5) at Seattle (Cl.Lee 5-3), 10:10 p.m.

Thursday's Games
San Diego at Tampa Bay, 12:10 p.m.
Cleveland at Philadelphia, 1:05 p.m.
Atlanta at Chicago White Sox, 2:05 p.m.
Minnesota at Milwaukee, 2:10 p.m.
Chicago Cubs at Seattle, 3:40 p.m.
Florida at Baltimore, 7:05 p.m.
St. Louis at Toronto, 7:07 p.m.
Detroit at N.Y. Mets, 7:10 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Texas, 8:05 p.m.
Boston at Colorado, 8:40 p.m.
L.A. Dodgers at L.A. Angels, 10:05 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Tuesday's Games
San Francisco 3, Houston 1
Today's Games
San Francisco (Zito 7-3) at Houston (Myers 4-5), 8:05 p.m.
Thursday's Games
San Francisco at Houston, 2:05 p.m.



Associated Press

Florida Marlins shortstop Hanley Ramirez delivers a two-run double against the Baltimore Orioles in the second inning Tuesday in Baltimore.

Marlins 10, Orioles 4
BALTIMORE — Hanley Ramirez had three hits and three RBIs to back an effective pitching performance by Anibal Sanchez, and the Florida Marlins defeated the Baltimore Orioles 10-4 on Tuesday night.

Chris Coghlan scored twice and drove in a run for the Marlins, who have two won straight for the first time since June 10-11. Florida is 17-5 against Baltimore in interleague play, including 9-1 since 2000. After sitting out Sunday's game with a tight right hamstring, Ramirez marked his return with his first three-hit game since May 19. He has three RBIs in each of his last two starts.

Sanchez (7-4) allowed three runs and seven hits in his 1-3 innings. His only glaring mistake came in the second, when he yielded a three-run homer to Matt Wieters. Orioles starter Jeremy Guthrie (3-9) gave up six runs and seven hits in 6-plus innings to lose his fifth straight start. Guthrie issued two walks, to the leadoff hitter in the second and seventh innings, and both came around to score. The game was tight until the seventh when the Marlins scored two runs to take a 6-3 lead. After Coghlan walked and Gaby Sanchez chased Guthrie with an RBI double, Ramirez greeted Jason Berken with a run-scoring single. In the bottom half, the Orioles got two runners on for pinch-hitter Jake Fox, who was obtained in a trade with Oakland earlier in the day. Fox hit a drive to center that Cody Ross

Phillies 2, Indians 1

PHILADELPHIA — Jamie Moyer tossed eight crisp innings and the Philadelphia Phillies beat the Cleveland Indians 2-1 on Tuesday night. Moyer (8-6) limited the Tribe to just two hits, including Russell Branyan's 10th homer, while earning win No. 266, tying him with Bob Feller and Eppa Rixey for 35th on the career list. The 47-year-old left-hander recorded 14 of his 24 outs on ground balls. J.C. Romero relieved Moyer for the ninth but was replaced by Brad Lidge when Cleveland put runners on first and second with one out. Lidge then struck out Austin Kearns and Johnny Peralta, completing the three-hitter and earning his fifth save in six tries. Philadelphia shortstop Jimmy Rollins came off the disabled list and went 0 for 4 in the leadoff spot. Rollins has been hampered by an injured right calf. Mitch Talbot (7-6), coming off the worst start of his career, allowed two runs and four hits in seven innings for Cleveland. The rookie right-hander was tagged for eight runs and 13 hits over 5 2-3 innings in his last outing, an 8-4 loss to the Mets last Wednesday. Philadelphia, which managed just four hits for the second straight game, got both of its runs in the first. Ryan Howard singled in Placido Polanco and Jayson Werth drove in Chase Utley with a sacrifice fly to center.

Box score for Phillies vs Indians game, including team statistics and individual player performance.

Cardinals 9, Blue Jays 4

TORONTO — Matt Holliday brought his hitting tear to Toronto, connecting for one of four home runs by the St. Louis Cardinals in a 9-4 victory over the Blue Jays on Monday night. Felipe Lopez, Yadier Molina and slumping Colby Rasmus also went deep for the Cardinals to back rookie left-hander Jaime Garcia (7-3). Jose Bautista hit two home runs for Toronto, giving him a major league-high 20. Holliday was selected NL player of the week after batting .435 (10 for 23) with four homers and eight RBIs from June 14-20. He kept his streak going against the Blue Jays with a single in the first inning, a homer in the third and a double in the fifth. He finished 3 for 5 with two RBIs. Molina hit a solo shot in the second and Rasmus a two-run, pinch-hit drive in the eighth, snapping an 0-for-17 slide. Lopez capped the outburst with a solo homer in the ninth. Garcia allowed three runs and six hits in six innings. He walked none and struck out four. Kyle McClellan pitched 1 1-3 innings of relief, Trevor Miller got two outs and Mitchell Boggs worked the ninth.

Box score for Cardinals vs Blue Jays game, including team statistics and individual player performance.

Giants 3, Astros 1

HOUSTON — Tim Lincecum out-pitched Roy Oswalt in a matchup of National League aces, and the San Francisco Giants managed just enough offense for a 3-1 win over the Houston Astros on Tuesday night. It was San Francisco's seventh straight victory over Houston this season and Lincecum's third of the year against the struggling Astros. He improved to 5-0 in eight career outings against them. Lincecum (8-2) allowed seven hits and no earned runs over eight innings while striking out seven and walking two. Brian Wilson pitched a perfect ninth for his 20th save in 22 chances. Juan Uribe scored when Pablo Sandoval grounded into a forceout in the seventh to put the Giants ahead 2-1. San Francisco tied it at 1 earlier in the inning on an RBI single by Pat Burrell. Aubrey Huff singled and Uribe walked before Burrell's hit. Oswalt (5-9) yielded six hits and two runs with five strikeouts in seven innings. Houston prospect Jason Castro, a catcher selected with the 10th overall pick in the 2008 amateur draft, made his major league debut. With the season not going as they'd hoped, the Astros brought up Castro and fellow rookies Chris Johnson, a third baseman, and Jason Bourgeois, an outfielder, from the minors this week.

Box score for Giants vs Astros game, including team statistics and individual player performance.

S. Carolina knocks ASU out of CWS

Associated Press

OMAHA, Neb. — Usually, Ray Tanner is cautioning his team about the perils of the big inning. This time, the South Carolina coach was celebrating one. Jackie Bradley and Adrian Morales homered during an eight-run second inning that propelled the Gamecocks to an 11-4 victory over No. 1 national seed Arizona State on Tuesday, knocking the Sun Devils out of the College World Series. "That second inning for us — eight runs — and eight hits is the most we've had in one inning the entire season," Tanner said. "We don't score runs like that very often, but we had some big, big at-bats in that inning and gave us an opportunity to get some great runs." The Gamecocks were able to give starter Sam Dyson a wide comfort zone and hold off an Arizona State team that left 10 runners on base and always seemed on the verge of breaking out. "They kept fighting back," Tanner said. "I say many times to our team that we'll give up some runs, let's not give up the big inning. They tried to make it a big inning a number of times, but we were able to get some pitches or a play to stay out of it. I knew you were going to have to get 27 hard outs, and that's what it ended up being." The Gamecocks (49-16) play either Oklahoma or Clemson on Thursday in another elimination game. Those teams played a Bracket 2 winners' game late Tuesday night.

MLB leaders AMERICAN LEAGUE

BATTING—Cano, New York, .365; Morneau, Minnesota, .340; Hamilton, Texas, .339; Suzuki, Seattle, .336; Beltre, Boston, .336; Ordonez, Detroit, .333; MiCabrera, Detroit, .328. RUNS—Youkilis, Boston, 58; Crawford, Tampa Bay, 56; Cano, New York, 52; MiCabrera, Detroit, 50; Hamilton, Texas, 50; Gardner, New York, 49; Teixeira, New York, 48. RBI—MiCabrera, Detroit, 60; Guerrero, Texas, 57; Hamilton, Texas, 53; Longoria, Tampa Bay, 52; Konerko, Chicago, 51; TorHunter, Los Angeles, 50; JBautista, Toronto, 49; Cano, New York, 49. HITS—Cano, New York, 100; ISuzuki, Seattle, 95; Hamilton, Texas, 93; Butler, Kansas City, 90; MYoung, Texas, 90; Beltre, Boston, 89; DeJesus, Kansas City, 87. DOUBLES—Butler, Kansas City, 23; Markakis, Baltimore, 23; Pedroia, Boston, 23; VWells, Toronto, 23; DeJesus, Kansas City, 22; TorHunter, Los Angeles, 22; Longoria, Tampa Bay, 22; MYoung, Texas, 22. HOME RUNS—JBautista, Toronto, 20; MiCabrera, Detroit, 19; Hamilton, Texas, 17; Konerko, Chicago, 17; VWells, Toronto, 16; Guerrero, Texas, 15; Morneau, Minnesota, 15; DOrtiz, Boston, 15; CPena, Tampa Bay, 15. PITCHING—Phughes, New York, 10-1; Price, Tampa Bay, 10-3; Buchholz, Boston, 10-4; Pettitte, New York, 8-2; Lester, Boston, 8-2; Lackey, Boston, 8-3; Sabathia, New York, 8-3; FGarcia, Chicago, 8-3; Verlander, Detroit, 8-4; Pavano, Minnesota, 8-6. STRIKEOUTS—JerWeaver, Los Angeles, 107; Fernandez, Seattle, 97; RRomero, Toronto, 96; Lester, Boston, 96; Liriano, Minnesota, 93; CLewis, Texas, 90; Verlander, Detroit, 85; JShields, Tampa Bay, 85.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

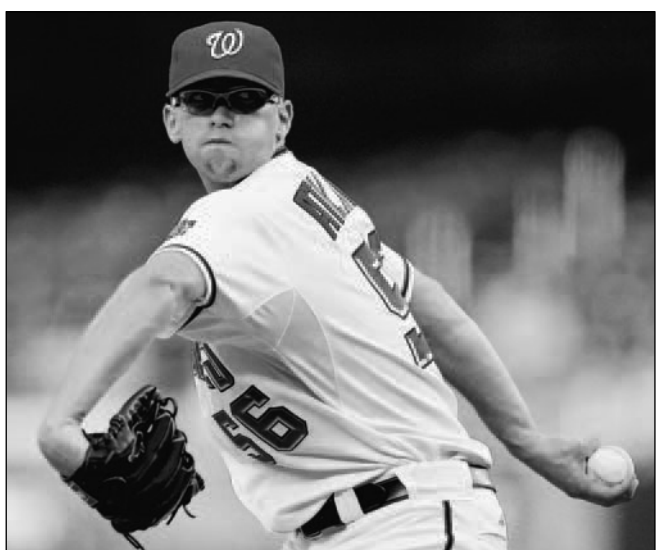
BATTING—Prado, Atlanta, .340; Byrd, Chicago, .320; Ethier, Los Angeles, .318; AdGonzalez, San Diego, .313; Votto, Cincinnati, .313; Polanco, Philadelphia, .312; AHuff, San Francisco, .311. RUNS—BPhillips, Cincinnati, 53; Prado, Atlanta, 53; Uggla, Florida, 50; Kemp, Los Angeles, 49; KJohnson, Arizona, 47; Tulowitzki, Colorado, 47; Utley, Philadelphia, 46. RBI—Glaus, Atlanta, 55; Hart, Milwaukee, 53; DWright, New York, 53; Howard, Philadelphia, 52; Pujols, St. Louis, 50; Gomes, Cincinnati, 49; CYoung, Arizona, 49. HITS—Prado, Atlanta, 103; BPhillips, Cincinnati, 84; Braun, Milwaukee, 83; Byrd, Chicago, 83; AMcCutchen, Pittsburgh, 81; AdGonzalez, San Diego, 80; Holliday, St. Louis, 80; Howard, Philadelphia, 80. DOUBLES—Byrd, Chicago, 24; Werth, Philadelphia, 24; KJohnson, Arizona, 22; Loney, Los Angeles, 22; Prado, Atlanta, 21; Braun, Milwaukee, 20; Dunn, Washington, 20; Holliday, St. Louis, 20; BPhillips, Cincinnati, 20; Torres, San Francisco, 20. HOME RUNS—Hart, Milwaukee, 18; Dunn, Washington, 17; Reynolds, Arizona, 17; AdGonzalez, San Diego, 15; Pujols, St. Louis, 15; Polen, Cincinnati, 15; Votto, Cincinnati, 15. PITCHING—Jimenez, Colorado, 13-1; Wainwright, St. Louis, 10-4; Pelfrey, New York, 9-2; DStrike, Atlanta, 9-5; 8 tied at 8. STRIKEOUTS—Lincecum, San Francisco, 113; Gallardo, Milwaukee, 103; Haren, Arizona, 101; Wainwright, St. Louis, 101; JoJohnson, Florida, 98; Halladay, Philadelphia, 98; Kershaw, Los Angeles, 97.

Rangers 6, Pirates 3

ARLINGTON, Texas — Josh Hamilton extended his hitting streak to 17 games with a home run and a double, Julio Borbon hit a three-run homer and the Texas Rangers stretched the majors' longest winning streak to nine with a 6-3 victory over the Pittsburgh Pirates on Tuesday night. Michael Young also homered in his first home game since becoming the franchise's career hits leader last week at Florida during the Rangers' eight consecutive victories on the road. Hamilton doubled in the fifth, when he scored on Borbon's second homer of the season that made it 4-2. An inning later, Hamilton homered onto the grassy hill in center for his 17th of the season and majors-best eighth in June. Tommy Hunter (3-0) struck out six without a walk in six innings. He threw 68 of his 88 pitches for strikes while allowing three runs (two earned) and nine hits. Rookie Neftali Feliz worked the ninth for his 20th save in 22 chances after Darren Oliver worked two perfect innings. Ross Ohlendorf (0-6) is winless his past 15 starts, 10 this season, since a victory on Aug. 18 against Milwaukee. Ohlendorf retired the first 10 Rangers batters before Young's one-out homer in the fourth.

White Sox 9, Braves 6

CHICAGO — John Danks settled down after a shaky start to outpitch a Tommy Hanson as the Chicago White Sox won their seventh straight game, 9-6 over the Atlanta Braves on Tuesday night. In snapping Atlanta's five-game winning streak, the White Sox won for the 11th time in 12 games. They improved to 35-34 — the first time they have been over .500 since they were 1-0. Chicago had 13 of its season-high 16 hits during Hanson's 3 2-3 innings. The first 10 were singles before Carlos Quentin's three-run homer put the White Sox up 9-3 in the fourth. It was their first home run in nine games since Alex Rios went deep June 12. All seven victories during Chicago's longest winning streak since last July have come against NL teams. The White Sox are 11-2 in interleague play; the Braves are 7-3. Danks (7-5) spotted Atlanta a 3-0 lead before retiring 15 of the last 18 batters he faced. He ended up allowing six hits in seven innings to win his third straight start. Hanson (7-4) surrendered a career-high nine runs as his four-game winning streak ended. He had been 4-0 with a 0.75 ERA against AL teams and had a string of 23 consecutive scoreless innings in interleague play before A.J. Pierzynski's two-run single.



Associated Press

Washington Nationals pitcher Luis Atilano throws during the first inning Tuesday against the Kansas City Royals in Washington. The Nationals won 4-3 after a rain delay.

Nationals 4, Royals 3
WASHINGTON — Josh Willingham and Adam Dunn homered, Luis Atilano pitched into the sixth inning and the Washington Nationals beat the Kansas City Royals 4-3 on Tuesday night. Matt Capps held on for his major league-leading 22nd save in 26 chances despite a rocky ninth inning. Scott Podsednik hit a two-run single to get Kansas City within one before Jason Kendall fouled out with two runners on to end the game. Anthony Lerew (0-1) allowed four runs and 10 hits in 5 1-3 innings for the Royals, who have lost five straight. The right-hander, who had Tommy John surgery in 2007, is still searching for his first major league win after seven career starts. Willingham led off the fourth inning with his 13th homer and No. 100 for his career. He also doubled twice for his third three-hit game of the season. After Willingham's homer, Washington loaded the bases with no outs on consecutive singles by Ivan Rodriguez, Roger Bernadina and Adam Kennedy, but only managed one run on Nyjer Morgan's sacrifice fly. Dunn extended the lead to 4-1 in the fifth with a drive to center for his 17th homer. Ryan Zimmerman also had an RBI double in the third for Washington. Atilano (6-4) allowed one run and six hits in 5 1-3 innings, ending a three-start losing streak. The rookie right-

Box score for Rangers vs Pirates game, including team statistics and individual player performance.

Box score for White Sox vs Braves game, including team statistics and individual player performance.

Box score for Nationals vs Royals game, including team statistics and individual player performance.

BASEBALL

Padres 2, Rays 1

San Diego Tampa Bay ab r h bi ab r h bi ... Gwynn cf 3 1 1 0 Jaso dh-c 4 0 1 1 ...

For the record

Florida LOTTERY



Here are the winning numbers selected Tuesday in the Florida Lottery:

CASH 3 (early) 8-8-3 CASH 3 (late) 4-1-6 PLAY 4 (early) 9-6-2-1 ...

On the AIRWAVES

TODAY'S SPORTS

7 p.m. (ESPN2) NCAA World Series, Game 9 — Florida State vs. Texas Christian

MLB

7 p.m. (ESPN) Detroit Tigers at New York Mets 7 p.m. (FSNFL) Florida Marlins at Baltimore Orioles ...

HOCKEY

7:30 p.m. (VERSUS) NHL Awards Show

WORLD CUP SOCCER

9:30 a.m. (ESPN, 62 UNI) Group C Stage: Algeria vs. United States 9:30 a.m. (ESPN2) Group C Stage: England vs. Slovenia ...

TENNIS

7 a.m. (ESPN2) Wimbledon, Day 3 12 p.m. (ESPN2) Wimbledon, Day 3 4:30 p.m. (ESPN2) Wimbledon (Taped)

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

American League

Flavia Pennetta (10), Italy, def. Anabel Medina Garrigues, Spain, 6-4, 6-0. Monica Niculescu, Romania, def. Gisela Dulko, Argentina, 6-3, 6-2. ...

National League

ATLANTA BRAVES—Activated RHP Takashi Saito from the 15-day DL. Sent RHP Craig Kimbrel to Gwinnett (IL). ...

Doubles

Men

First Round

Juan Ignacio Chela and Eduardo Schwank, Argentina, def. Ilija Bozljac, Serbia, and Harsh Mankad, India, 6-3, 6-4, 6-2. ...

Women

First Round

Lisa Raymond, United States, and Rennae Stubbs (7), Australia, def. Polina Hercog, Slovenia, and Petra Martic, Croatia, 7-6 (1), 4-6, 6-4. ...

Sports BRIEFS

Lecanto High School gearing up for physicals

Lecanto High School will hold its annual sports physical exams Aug. 3.

They will be from 3 to 4:30 p.m. in the LHS gym and cost \$15. The money raised will be used by the General Athletics fund of LHS.

Middle School students are welcome. Parents/Guardians must be in attendance.

The 2010-11 physical packets are online at www.citrus.k12.fl.us/lhs/ or in the front office of the high school.

First two women elected to Hockey Hall

TORONTO — The Hockey Hall of Fame is no longer just for male inductees.

Cammi Granato and Angela James changed that on Tuesday when they became the first women elected to be enshrined in Toronto. ...

Longtime Red Wings executive Jimmy Devellano and the

late Daryl (Doc) Seaman — a founding owner of the Calgary Flames — were elected as builders.

While women had always been eligible for induction, the Hall made it easier for them to be voted in when it established a women's subcategory this year.

Up to four male players are eligible for induction annually, but only Ciccarelli was voted in Tuesday. Eric Lindros and Joe Nieuwendyk were potential contenders among NHL players in their first year of eligibility that didn't receive enough support.

RAYS

Continued from Page B1

Padres first baseman Adrian Gonzalez went 2 for 4, extending his hitting streak to 10 games. He has 31 hits in 73 at-bats during June.

NOTES: Tampa Bay TV

broadcaster Dewayne Staats called his 5,000th major league game. ... San Diego C Yorvit Torrealba dropped his appeal and started serving a three-game suspension for making contact with an umpire. ... Rays RHP James Shields, who snapped a personal five-game losing streak when he made his

first career relief appearance at Florida last Saturday, will make his scheduled start Wednesday against the Padres. Shields pitched a scoreless 10th in a 9-8, 11-inning victory in which Tampa Bay used a club-record nine pitchers. ... Adams had not given up a run in his previous 13 outings.

USA

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against glamorous England. Then the Americans trailed Slovenia by two goals at halftime only to fight back as Landon Donovan and Michael Bradley scored for a 2-2 draw. They appeared to go ahead, but Maurice Edu's 85th-minute goal was disallowed for reasons referee Koman Coulibaly of Mali didn't explain.

"We're not going to worry about any calls or anything like that getting us down," Bocanegra said. "We had a good second half and hopefully we can continue with that momentum and put that into the Algeria game."

The U.S. has never before faced the Desert Foxes, who have yet to score in

this tournament following a 1-0 loss to Slovenia and a 0-0 draw against England. Algeria can advance only with a win, and Les Fennecs coach Rabah Saadane reportedly used the phrase "God willing" in reference to a victory.

"We are in a good mood to make our people back home very happy," Algeria captain Antar Yahia said.

A win would send the U.S. to a second-round matchup this weekend with Germany, Ghana, Serbia or Australia, and another big television audience for American soccer. With France knocked out, and England, Germany, defending champion Italy and Spain all uncertain of reaching the knockout stage, the U.S. could find itself in a fairly wide-open tournament if it advances.

Coaches will be paying attention to the England-Slovenia game, which will be played simultaneously in Port Elizabeth. If the English lose, the U.S. would advance with a tie. If both the U.S. and England draw, the Americans reach the second round if they maintain their goal advantage over the English, currently 3-1.

It could get thorny if the U.S. and the English tie, and England scores two goals more than the Americans. Then Slovenia would win the group and a televised drawing of a ball from a bowl would be held in Johannesburg at 1 p.m. EDT to determine whether the U.S. or England finishes second.

"I think for us the concentration is just on getting ready for the match," Bob Bradley said.

Enjoy DOG DAYS of SUMMER HOT DOG! HOT DEALS! Image of a dog's face.

NADAL

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Flavia Pennetta

But No. 6 Samantha Stosur, the runner-up at the French Open a little more than two weeks ago, lost to 80th-ranked qualifier Kaia Kanepi of Estonia 6-4, 6-4. The woman who beat Stosur at Roland Garros, first-time major champion Francesca Schiavone, bowed out of Wimbledon on Monday.

The only other seeded woman who lost Tuesday was No. 25 Lucie Safarova of the Czech Republic.

Four seeded men exited, and three are from Spain: No. 8 Fernando Verdasco, No. 19 Nicolas Pietrangeli, and No. 14 Juan Carlos Ferrero, the 2003 French Open champion. The other was No. 24 Marcos Baghdatis of Cyprus, the 2006 Australian Open runner-up.

Winners included No. 4 Andy Murray, two-time French Open finalist Robin Soderling, No. 9 David Fer-

rer, No. 10 Jo-Wilfried Tsonga, and No. 18 Sam Querrey of Santa Monica, Calif. Murray is the only British man or woman still left, making this the first time in tournament history that the hosts have but one representative in the second round.

"It's not great, is it?" Murray said.

For all of Nadal's success at the French Open — he is 38-1 there, with five championships in six years — he considers his Wimbledon trophy his most significant accomplishment. Having to pull out of the grass-court Grand Slam tournament in 2009 was part of a tough season that also included his only loss at Roland Garros and, away from the court, his parents' separation.

"We had many problems last year, with the knees and many things. After Roland Garros, it was a difficult decision not playing here," said Toni Nadal, Rafael's uncle and coach. "When you are the (defending) champion, you want to at least come

here to play. But that's life."

Nadal is seeded second behind six-time Wimbledon champion Federer, who struggled in his first match Monday, coming back to win after dropping the opening two sets. Nadal faced no such dangers against the 189th-ranked Nishikori, who was honored as the 2008 ATP newcomer of the year after becoming the first Japanese man since 1937 to reach the U.S. Open's fourth round, but then missed time with a right elbow injury.

"If I hit one easy shot, he's going to hit winners. So it wasn't easy for me," Nishikori said. "I think he was playing really well today."

If Nishikori is still trying to re-establish himself, Nadal clearly has recovered from his knee issues, going 22-0 on clay this spring.

Now his indefatigable style is once again on display at Wimbledon.

"This year, I worked a lot to be here," Nadal said. "I'm perfect. Concentrated. Very motivated."

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ENTERTAINMENT

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Spotlight on PEOPLE

Flood benefit in Nashville

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Big names from all music genres flocked to



Faith Hill

Nashville for a benefit concert Tuesday to help victims of last month's devastating flood in the city.

Faith Hill led the Nashville Rising concert with husband Tim McGraw.

"The musicians on stage have gone through it," she said. "Some of them have lost every instrument they ever owned, and some in the audience have lost their homes and their businesses."

The all-star line up for Tuesday night's concert included McGraw, Hill, Miley Cyrus, Taylor Swift, Carrie Underwood, Martina McBride, LeAnn Rimes, Toby Keith, Miranda Lambert, Luke Bryan, Jason Aldean, Lynyrd Skynyrd, Amy Grant, Michael W. Smith and ZZ Top.

New guy named for 'Footloose' remake

LOS ANGELES — A new face in Hollywood is stepping into Kevin



Kenny Wormald

Bacon's shoes for a remake of "Footloose."

Paramount Pictures announced Tuesday that

Kenny Wormald will take on the role Bacon originated in the 1984 original about a rebellious city youth who busts some moves in his new town, where dancing has been banned.

"High School Musical" heartthrob Zac Efron had planned to star but dropped out of the "Footloose" remake last year.

Wormald's previous credits include the MTV series "Dancelife." He will co-star alongside two-time "Dancing With the Stars" champion and country music singer Julianne Hough. The cast also includes Dennis Quaid.

'The Bachelor' splits with fiancée

LOS ANGELES — "The Bachelor" is flying solo again.



Jake Pavelka

Jake Pavelka and Vienna Giraldi, the lovey-dovey couple who met and became engaged

in front of millions of viewers on the 14th season of the ABC dating series, have called off their engagement, according to Pavelka's spokeswoman.

Only four of the 13 previous couples who met on "The Bachelor" are still together.

—From wire reports

STILL KING



"Michael Jackson's This Is It" film, top photo, and retrospectives of his work, bottom, as seen in Tokyo, have helped pump millions into Michael Jackson's estate since his death a year ago.



Photos by Associated Press

Oil on canvas portrait of Michael Jackson dressed as king, signed and dated 1995 by American painter Norman Oak.



Michael Jackson's Neverland Ranch, top photo, and the rest of his kingdom once was on the verge of collapse. Co-executor of his estate John Branca, bottom photo, has helped turn that around.

King of Pop's estate has brought in millions since his death

Associated Press

—LOS ANGELES
The money is rolling in. The bills are being paid. And all those people who said Michael Jackson might earn more in death than in life are being proved right.

Like the estates of Elvis Presley and Yves Saint Laurent, Jackson's has grown immensely since he died on June 25, 2009.

Without Jackson's lavish spending sprees, and with the help of new revenue pouring in from nostalgia over the reign of the King of Pop, estate co-executors John Branca and John McClain have dramatically turned around Jackson's finances.

A kingdom that was on the verge of collapse from more than \$500 million in debt now looks to be able to support his three children and his mother and donate healthily to children's charities.

The estate has earned more than \$250 million in the year since he died. Executors used some of that to pay off \$70 million in debt, including the \$5 million mortgage on the Jackson family compound in Encino, part of Los Angeles. The interest payments on the remaining debt are now covered by a steady flow of cash.

"They're off to a spectacularly good start," said Lance Grode, a former Jackson lawyer and adjunct professor at the University of Southern California Law School. He added, however, "there's a long way to go before they pay off all of their debts."

A rundown of deals suggests that Jackson's fortune will be even bigger than could have been realized by a planned series of comeback concerts: ■ A posthumous deal to sell unreleased Jackson recordings with Sony Music guaranteed \$200 million over seven years. It has already brought \$125 million to the estate.

■ The film "This Is It," based on his final concert rehearsal footage, grossed \$252 million worldwide. Sony Pictures paid the estate \$60 million in advance, with an undisclosed amount more to come from DVD sales.

■ Licensing deals on merchandise sold by Universal Music Group's Bravado unit and a new dance game by Ubisoft Entertainment brought in \$26 million in advances. More is possible if unit sales are high.

■ The Mijac Music catalog of copyrights, on songs that Jackson wrote, generated \$25 million in the past year; thanks to heavy airplay on radio stations and song and album sales.

■ Music publisher Sony/ATV, the copyright holder of the Beatles' and other artists' songs, posted double-digit percentage revenue gains in the year through March. That netted Jackson's estate, which owns a 50 percent stake, \$11 million.

■ Other income, including from a rerelease of Jackson's autobiography, "Moon Walk," and sales of commemorative tickets to his canceled concerts, brought in another \$25 million.

The tally does not include a deal with Cirque du Soleil for shows inspired by Jackson's music, in which the estate will share half the costs and profits when the performances begin in late 2011. Nor does it account for a deal in the works to nearly double the estate's income from Sony/ATV. That cash goes to pay down most of Jackson's remaining debt.

According to co-executor Branca, Jackson's longtime lawyer and busi-

ness manager, the new deals follow a script the two set out shortly before the singer died.

"When I met with him before he died we went through an agenda. John (McClain) and I are really executing on that," Branca told The Associated Press. "We're doing the things we think Michael would have wanted."

Several people have been paid for overdue bills after spending years trying to track the singer down. Others who haven't yet been paid say they have been treated professionally by the estate; a night and day change from his old regime.

"We couldn't (collect) until unfortunately he passed away," said Joseph Akhtarzad, a Jackson family friend who owns the Santa Monica-based Video & Audio Center. Last month, the estate settled a \$128,429 tab with Akhtarzad for electronics goods owed since 2007.

Thomas Mesereau, who successfully defended Jackson in his 2005 child molestation trial, said the estate recently paid his law firm \$341,452 for services provided after the trial, when Jackson moved to Bahrain. The firm revived its claim in September because it gave up dealing with Jackson's previous managers.

Sony Music said more than 31 million Jackson albums have sold worldwide since he died, a stratospheric number for a music industry in decline.

With 8.3 million albums sold in the U.S., he was the top-selling artist in 2009, easily topping Taylor Swift's 4.6 million. It marked the most albums sold in a year since Usher topped 8 million in 2004, according to Nielsen SoundScan.

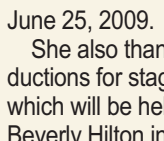
Even since the start of this year, Jackson songs have been played on American radio stations 140,000 times, about 10 times the pace before he died, according to Nielsen. Nearly a million Jackson albums have sold this year and a new album of unreleased material is set to hit stores in November, roughly in tandem with a new video game in which fans can mimic his signature moves.

"In the year that Michael has gone, we realize how incredibly talented he was," said Marty Bandier, the chief executive of Sony/ATV. "The guy was the King of Pop and more."

Jackson's mother supports fan tribute

NEW YORK — Michael Jackson's mother has given her blessing to a tribute planned to her late son a year after his death at age 50.

In a video posted on YouTube, Katherine Jackson thanks people for the support they have given her family since Jackson died



Katherine Jackson

June 25, 2009.

She also thanked Voice Plate Productions for staging the fan event, which will be held Saturday at the Beverly Hilton in Beverly Hills, Calif. Jackson's mother says her son would be "very honored and very pleased that his fans all over the world are coming together to celebrate his life."

Tickets for the event start at \$150 and go up to \$500.

Florida LOTTERIES

SO YOU KNOW

■ Last night's winning numbers, Page B4.

MONDAY, JUNE 21

Fantasy 5: 8 - 9 - 14 - 17 - 26
5-of-5 2 winners \$96,666.06
4-of-5 333 \$93.50
3-of-5 9,903 \$8.50

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

SATURDAY, JUNE 19

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

INSIDE THE NUMBERS

■ To verify the accuracy of winning lottery numbers, players should double-check the numbers printed above with numbers officially posted by the Florida Lottery. Go to www.flalottery.com, or call (850) 487-7777.

Today in HISTORY

Today is Wednesday, June 23, the 174th day of 2010. There are 191 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight:

On June 23, 1960, the Food and Drug Administration formally approved Enovid as the first oral contraceptive for sale in the U.S.

On this date:

In 1931, aviators Wiley Post and Harold Gatty took off from New York on a round-the-world flight that lasted eight days and 15 hours.

In 1969, Warren E. Burger was sworn in as chief justice of the United States by the man he was succeeding, Earl Warren.

In 1972, President Richard M. Nixon and White House chief of staff H.R. Haldeman discussed a plan to use the CIA to obstruct the FBI's Watergate investigation. (Revelation of the tape recording of this conversation sparked Nixon's resignation in 1974.)

In 1985, all 329 people aboard an Air India Boeing 747 were killed when the plane crashed into the Atlantic Ocean near Ireland, after a bomb widely believed to have been planted by Sikh separatists exploded on board.

Ten years ago: Secretary of State Madeleine Albright, during a visit to South Korea, said American troops would remain in the country indefinitely to maintain strategic stability in the Pacific area.

Five years ago: The White House defended presidential adviser Karl Rove against Democratic demands he apologize or quit for saying "liberals saw the savagery of the 9/11 attacks and wanted to prepare indictments and offer therapy and understanding for our attackers."

One year ago: Hardening the U.S. reaction to Iran's disputed elections and bloody aftermath, President Barack Obama condemned the violence against protesters and lent his strongest support yet to their accusations the hard-line victory was a fraud.

Today's Birthdays: Musical conductor James Levine is 67. Actor Ted Shackelford is 64. Actor Bryan Brown is 63. Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas is 62. "American Idol" judge Randy Jackson is 54. Actress Frances McDormand is 53. Actress Selma Blair is 38. Singer-songwriter Jason Mraz is 33.

Thought for Today: "To have felt too much is to end in feeling nothing." — Dorothy Thompson, American journalist (1894-1961).

Today's HOROSCOPE

Birthday Today: A greater emphasis than usual could be placed on your social life in the year ahead. You could end up playing a more serious role in the affairs of special friends, which would end up affecting your own situation in a most positive way.

Cancer (June 21-July 22) — It wouldn't hurt for you to try something different when it comes to a goal you're trying to achieve that has to do with your work or career — larger than usual gains could be realized.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) — Take some time to reorganize your affairs and it will pay off handsomely, both with your relationships with others and what you get out of it. A fresh approach can do the trick.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Things could start to pay off in two separate arrangements that you've been diligently laying the groundwork on in hopes of making things easier for yourself. You'll see the first signs today.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — Because you and others with

whom you've been partnered have been working well with each other, Lady Luck could soon be pitching in and providing you with her benefits.

Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — By handling things so adroitly lately, you have generated opportunities for yourself where your work or career is concerned. You could realize a payoff by means of larger earnings.

Sagittarius (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — Don't hesitate for one minute to get involved in a larger-than-life endeavor, even if it means scrapping some little jobs that haven't paid off. In your instance, bigger is better.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Someone who has been a recipient of your generosity may be trying extra hard to work out a special deal just for you. Good deeds you've done for this individual are coming home to roost.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — If you're asked to take on a special position or participate on a committee of some importance, don't hesitate to accept, even if it means

shelving a less significant project. It'll pay off big for you.

Pisces (Feb. 20-March 20) — There are some days that are simply more fortunate for you career-wise and/or financially, and this could be one of them. If you have anything good going for you, tie it down now.

Aries (March 21-April 19) — Go ahead and shoot for the moon, because Dame Fortune is with you in going after a large target. The only important thing is that you keep an open mind about what you can acquire.

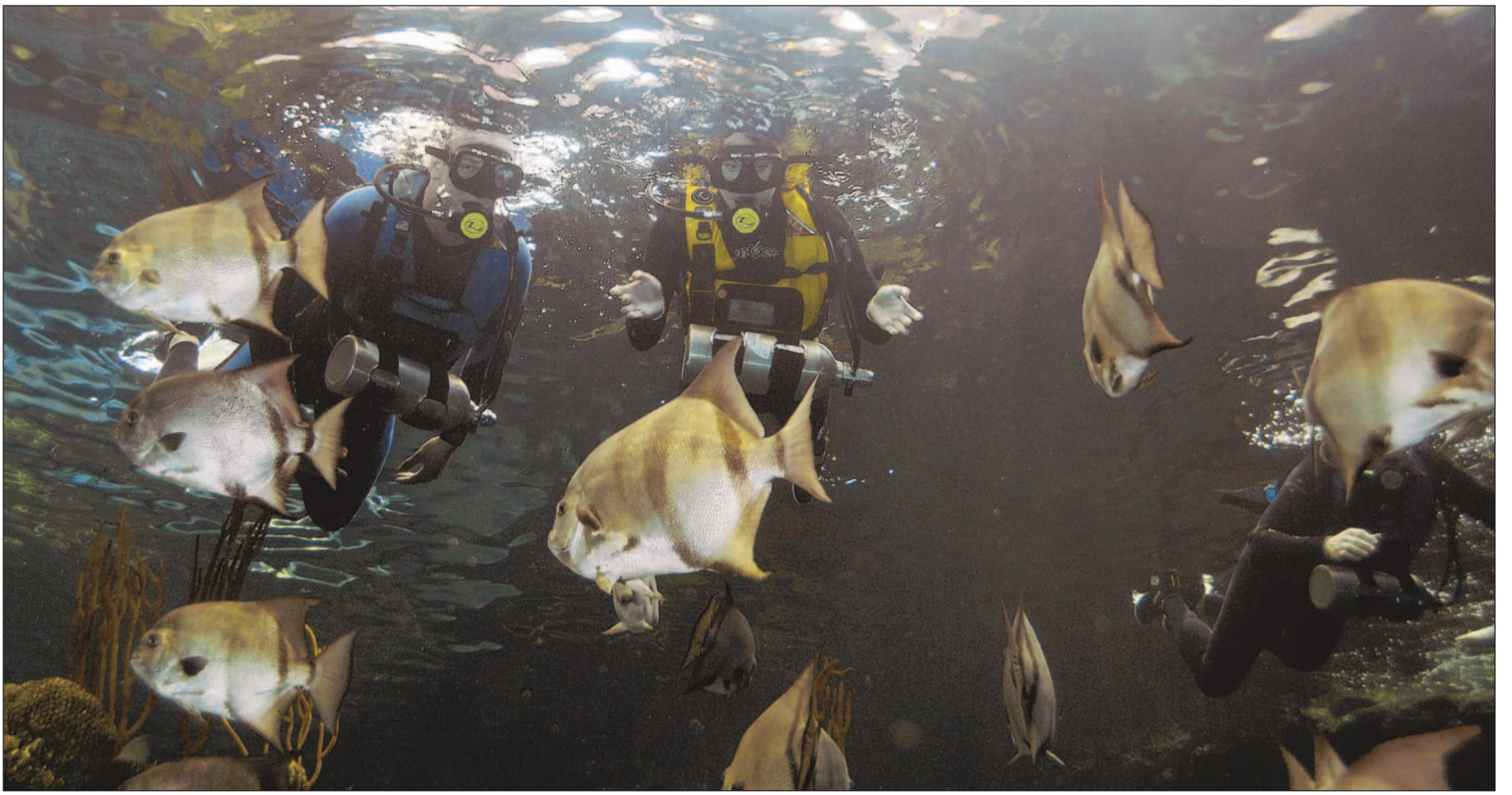
Taurus (April 20-May 20) — Things orchestrated by others are likely to turn out to be more fortunate for you in the long run, so don't hesitate to hitch a ride on some else's bandwagon if you can.

Gemini (May 21-June 20) — Being in the company of one who is energetic and has high hopes and aspirations will rub off onto you. This person's eagerness to achieve will inspire you to create some ambitious goals of your own.

SUMMER BREAK

CITRUS COUNTY CHRONICLE

Explore your shore



Special to the Chronicle

For those guests not scuba certified or those who want to get a closer look into the coral reef tank, the Florida Aquarium offers a "Swim with the Fishes" experience. In this 30-minute underwater exploration, guests are invited to see the 2,300 fish swimming around the reef as well as Moray eels and green sea turtles.

Florida Aquarium lets visitors swim, play and learn — the fun way

CHERI HARRIS
Chronicle

Get ready to dive into undersea wonders at The Florida Aquarium in Tampa. And be sure to bring a bathing suit.

In addition to a number of galleries for visitors to enjoy the underwater world — with more than 20,000 aquatic plants and marine animals — in a traditional aquarium setting, The Florida Aquarium also offers programs for guests to actually dive a coral reef or swim with sharks.

Tom Wagner, an aquarium spokesman, said, "I really love the fact that you can get immersed in the aquarium and get into the exhibits."

"Swim with the Fishes" is an in-reef adventure for anyone age 6 and older who is comfortable in the water. Wagner said participants spend about 30 minutes floating just below the surface of the aquarium's largest exhibit, the coral reef tank, which has about 150 creatures including moray eels, tarpon, green sea turtles, grouper and barracuda.

"These are the types of fish that you would see at a typical Florida reef dive or snorkel down in the Keys so it's native animals to Florida," he said. Cost is \$85 including aquarium admission.

For certified scuba divers age 15 and older, the "Dive with the Sharks" program allows participants to share the water with live sharks. Scuba equipment is provided for both underwater programs. Wagner noted that these programs are very popular so those interested should call (813) 273-4015 in advance to reserve a spot. Cost is \$150 for the 90-minute program to swim with the sharks, including aquarium admission.

A shark-feeding program is offered at 3:30 p.m. Tuesday and Sunday. Guests have the opportunity to help feed these mysterious creatures. Cost is \$50 for members and \$65 for non-members.

Another interactive program allows visitors to spend time with creatures with friendlier reputations. Wagner said "Penguins: Backstage Pass" is offered three times a day at 11 a.m., 1 p.m. and 2:15 p.m. A maximum of eight visitors at a time go behind the scenes into the penguin suite to learn about and interact with African black-footed penguins. Cost is \$25 per person, \$20 for members.

Wagner explained that because the penguins are from a warm climate, they do well in Florida.

In this program, visitors can pet them, watch them swim and take plenty of photos.

"The penguins are very curious; they love to interact with people. They're very social animals," he said.

Included in the price of aquarium admission is the "Penguin Promenade" at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. daily where the charming, flightless birds walk the red carpet in front of guests.

"We're kind of known as a very hands-on aquarium," he said. "Our guests have the opportunity to do a lot of interactive programs."

Outdoors, the younger set can splash around at Explore A Shore, a 2-acre outdoor water adventure park complete with water cannons, a 15-foot-tall water-spouting eel, geysers, rope climbing and a two-story waterlogged pirate ship. Parents can enjoy refreshments from a nearby cantina.

"It's kind of just a real fun area for the kids to play," Wagner said, "and it's all water-based."

Chronicle reporter Cheri Harris can be reached at 564-2926 or charris@chronicleonline.com.



FROM TOP: The two-acre water adventure zone features a lot of fun for the family. Kids can climb aboard a pirate ship, fire water cannons or splash around in the water geysers. • African Black-footed penguins are the stars of the red carpet in the Aquarium's Penguin Promenade, but guests can also get an up-close look at these tuxedoed animals in "Penguins: Backstage Pass." • The Bay Spirit II, the Florida Aquarium's new 72-foot catamaran, sails out into the bay to view dolphins, manatees and other native wildlife.

Chalk Talk

HONORS

■ The University of Florida/FAS Citrus County Extension Home, Community and Educators (CCHCE) awarded three \$250 4-H scholarships to the following graduating students for their outstanding achievements: **Nikki Uzar, Richelle Jenkins and Trevor van-Voorthuijsen**. Congratulations to all awardees!

■ Gardner-Webb University is pleased to announce that **Megan J. Sheets** of Hernando made the Honor Roll List during spring semester. The Honor Roll List recognizes outstanding college students who achieve a GPA between 3.2 and 3.7 through outstanding academic contribution during a semester.

FUNDRAISERS

■ Pleasant Grove Elementary School's PTA is launching its 2010/11 **Box Tops for Education fundraising campaign**. This year, the school has set a goal of earning \$3,000 through Box Tops to assist in school events, as well as raising money towards purchasing new playground equipment.

Collect box tops from hundreds of familiar, participating products (if you are a business, we can also provide you with a collection bin) and send them to Pleasant Grove Elementary School, "Attention Cindy Moeller — Box Tops Coordinator" at 630 Pleasant Grove Road, Inverness, FL 34452.

CLASSES AND COURSES

■ The Florida Department of Environmental Protection's Ellie Schiller Homosassa Springs Wildlife State Park will offer a weeklong **Nature Academy summer camp program**. The programs are sponsored by the Friends of Homosassa Springs Wildlife State Park and Progress Energy.

The program is for children ages 10 through 12, and runs July 12 through July 17.

The program includes four half-day camp sessions from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. Monday through Thursday. The Friday session starts at 4 p.m. with an overnight stay in the park. Parents and

guardians may stop into park office to pick up an application or call Allyssa Koron at (352) 628-5445, ext. 1006.

■ Citrus County Parks and Recreation is introducing **JazzerKamp**, a Jazzercise Dance, health and fitness day camp for children ages 10 to 16.

JazzerKamp will be in session the week of July 19 through July 23 and will run from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. The cost for this week long camp is \$75. Pre-registration is required by Monday, July 12 and is limited to the first 50 children who register. For more information, call 465-7007.

■ The College of Central Florida will offer a **LEGO robotics camp** to middle school students in July.

Girls ages 11 to 13 are invited to apply for Camp No. 1, which will be held Monday through Thursday, July 19 to 22. Boys and girls ages 11 to 13 are invited to apply for Camp No. 2, which will be held Monday through Thursday, July 26 to 29. Camps will meet from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Ewers Century Center. The \$50 fee includes lunch each day.

The camps will introduce students to the world of robotics and automation. Students will learn how to program Lego Mindstorms robots to follow specific commands and be part of robotic team challenges. They will learn about mathematics, physics and scientific principles required to work with this technology and have the opportunity to examine careers in modern manufacturing where robots are utilized.

Camps are limited to 20 students per session. Applications are available by calling Mercy Alvarado at (352) 854-2322, ext. 1693.

■ **The Live Oak Theatre Company**, a not-for-profit, family oriented theater company, will conduct a summer program at Faith Evangelical Free Church, 5338 Freeport Drive, Spring Hill.

The camp will have two weekly sessions: July 19 to July 23 and July 26 and July 30.

Those who wish to reserve a place for their child may send a \$25 non-refundable deposit, payable to Live Oak Theatre Company, to: Live Oak Theatre Company, c/o Art Sanborn, CFO, 34077 Eiler Boulevard, Webster, FL 33597.

For more information, call Randi Olsen at 352-799-5767 or e-mail Randi@liveoaktheatre.org.

MISCELLANEOUS

■ **Lecanto Primary School is holding an open house** Aug. 5 from 3 to 6 p.m.

Please register your child prior to the fifth so classroom assignments can be completed for the open house.

If you were missing information (physicals, shot records or proof of residency) when you registered your child, we must have this information as soon as possible.

■ **Crystal River High School Class of 1970 will have its 40th reunion** on Sunday. It will take place at Tug's Bar and Grill between 1 and 4 p.m. The address is 7855 W. Gulf-to-Lake Hwy., Crystal River. Food and drinks will be available for purchase. We are asking all graduates of that year and also fellow classmates who attended CRHS during our high school years to attend. Please pass this along to all our out of town alumni. Any questions or concerns call Betty (Williams) Swafford at (352) 563-2389.

■ **The Crystal River High School class of 1985 is hosting its 25-year reunion.**

Join us for a fun-filled event aboard a Carnival four-day three-night cruise on July 22 to 25.

All other alumni years are very welcome.

Visit www.crhسالumni.cruise.com for more info; ask for Eileen Long Tener or Teresa Long Bell, or e-mail at tbell.reunion@citrusnsq.com.

■ **Trevor Carnahan and Courtney Carnahan**, both of Lecanto, will exhibit Angus cattle at the 2010 National Junior Angus Show at the National Western Stock Show Complex, Denver, Colo., July 11 to 17.

Trevor and Courtney, junior members of the American Angus Association, are two of 613 young Angus breeders from 34 states and Canada who have entered a total of 1,350 head in the show.

The National Junior Angus Show is the largest single-breed registered beef cattle show in the world.

JROTC cadets honored



Special to the Chronicle

On May 2, American Legion Post No. 155 honored two of the Top Naval JROTC Cadets with Medals and certificates of Appreciation during the Crystal River High School JROTC Awards ceremony. Cadet Matthew Walker received the Military Excellence Bronze Medal and Cadet Devan Brown received the Scholastic Excellence Bronze Medal. **FROM LEFT: John Kaiserian, JROTC Chairman American Legion Post No. 155, Cadet Matthew Walker, Cadet Devan Brown and Jay Conti Sr., American Legion Department of Florida; 4th District Vice Commander.**

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CITRUS COUNTY SPECIAL MASTER MEETING

Wednesday, June 30, 2010
Lecanto Government Building
3600 West Sovereign Path
Room 166
Lecanto, Florida 34461

PUBLIC MEETING – PLANNED DEVELOPMENT OVERLAY APPLICATION NO. PDO-10-02 – Stillwell for Nature Coast Development

The Citrus County Special Master will conduct a Public Hearing on June 30, 2010 at 9:00 AM in the Lecanto Government Building, 3600 West Sovereign Path, Room 166, Lecanto, Florida. This public hearing is for the purposes of formulating a recommendation to the Board of County Commissioners (BCC). Interested parties may appear at the meeting and be heard with respect to the proposed application.

PDO-10-02 Stillwell for Nature Coast Development is requesting a Planned Development Overlay (PDO) to the Citrus County Land Development Code (LDC) to adopt a master plan with reduced setbacks from residential property, and alternative screening from adjacent property, for a new 150 acre +/- limerock mine within an existing extractive district. The property is located in Section 36, Township 17 South, Range 16 East and Section 31, Township 17 South, Range 17 East. More specifically, all of parcel 12000 in Section 36, and an easement through a portion of parcel 43310 of Section 31. (A complete legal description of the property is on file with the Community Development Division)

A copy of the proposed application and supporting materials is available for public inspection and copying between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. at the Community Development Division, Suite 140, 3600 West Sovereign Path, Lecanto, Florida. 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.bocc.citrus.fl.us> (Click on Departments, Development Services, then the Community Development link).

Any person requiring reasonable accommodation at this meeting because of a disability or physical impairment should contact the County Administrator's Office, Citrus County Courthouse, 110 North Apopka Avenue, Inverness, Florida 34450, (352) 341-6560, at least two days before the meeting. If you are hearing or speech impaired, use the TDD telephone (352) 341-6580.

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PHILLIP ALDER Newspaper Enterprise Assn. Edgar Allen Poe wrote, "There are certain themes of which the interest is all-absorbing, but which are too entirely horrible for the purposes of legitimate fiction."

Bridge section containing a hand diagram with cards (North, West, East, South) and a dealer's hand. Includes the text "Opening lead: ??".

learns that two aces are missing. West, now knowing his partner must have an ace, can see how to defeat the contract: his trump ace, partner's ace and a club ruff. So West leads his singleton club.

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Dear Annie: Last week, our 22-year-old grandson flew in for a visit from college. We celebrated with lots of barbecues and swimming. The entire family was here for the weekend — our older son, his live-in girlfriend and her 17-year-old daughter, along with our younger son, his wife and their three teenage girls.

ANNIE'S MAILBOX. Includes a photo of Annie and her husband, and a letter from Annie discussing her grandson's visit and her husband's collection of magazines.

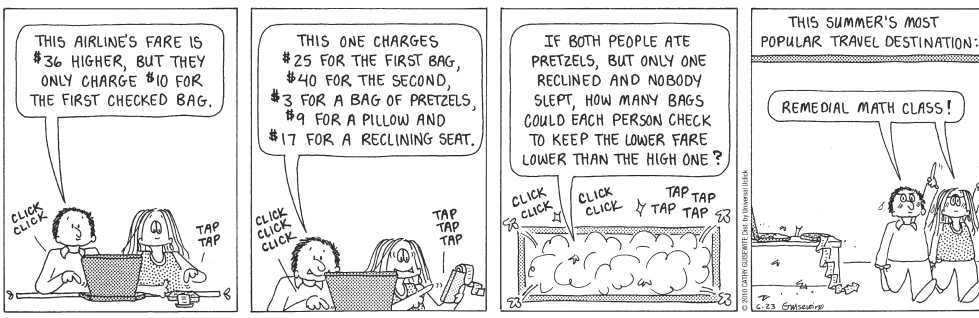
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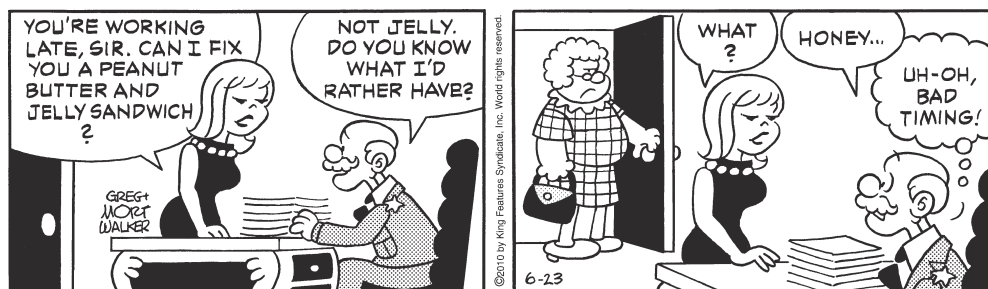
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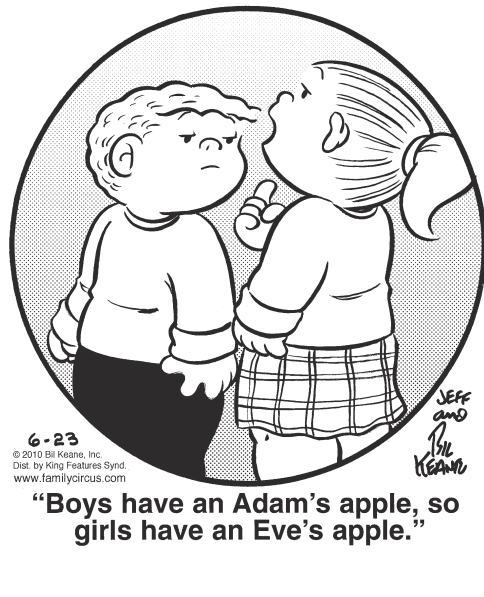
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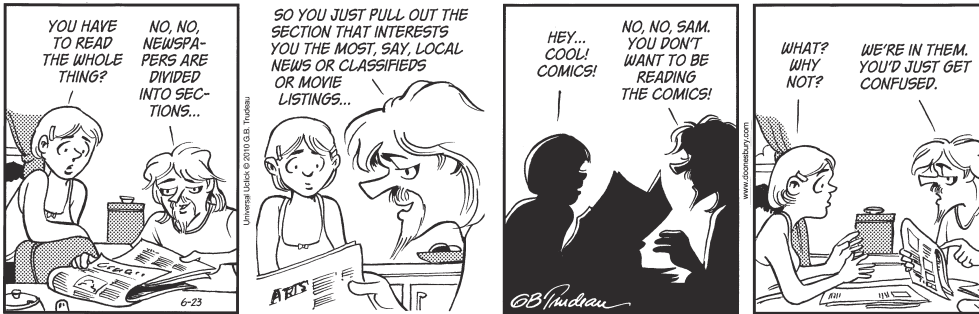
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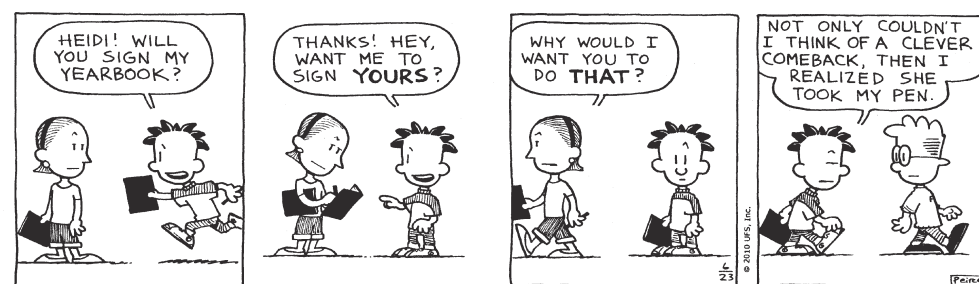
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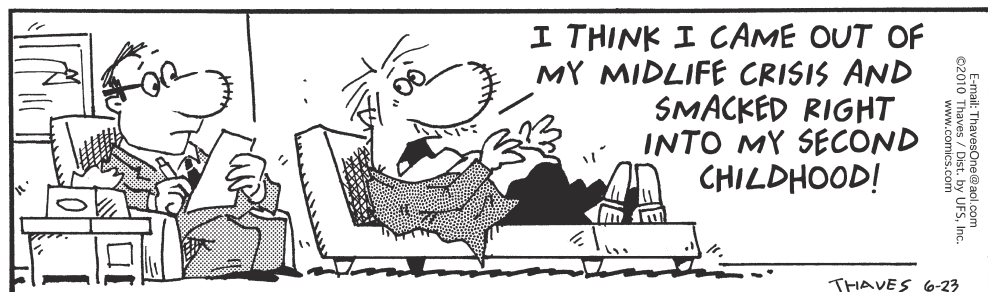
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Citrus Cinemas 6 - Inverness; 637-3377
'Knight and Day' (PG-13) 11 a.m., 1:45 p.m., 4:20 p.m., 7:30 p.m., 10:15 p.m. No passes.
'Jonah Hex' (PG-13) 11:45 a.m., 2:15 p.m., 4:45 p.m., 7:45 p.m., 10:25 p.m.
'Toy Story 3' (G) 11:15 a.m., 1:50 p.m., 4:25 p.m., 7 p.m., 9:35 p.m. No passes.
'The A-Team' (PG-13) 11:05 a.m., 2 p.m., 4:30 p.m., 7:40 p.m., 10:20 p.m.
'The Karate Kid' (PG) 12 p.m., 3:30 p.m., 7:05 p.m., 10:10 p.m.
'Prince of Persia: Sands of Time' (PG-13) 11:30 a.m., 2:10 p.m., 4:40 p.m., 7:15 p.m., 10:05 p.m.
Crystal River Mall 9; 564-6864
'Knight and Day' (PG-13) 1:10 p.m., 4:10 p.m., 7:20 p.m., 10:10 p.m. No passes.
'Jonah Hex' (PG-13) 1:40 p.m., 4:40 p.m., 7:40 p.m., 9:45 p.m.
'Toy Story 3' (G) 1:50 p.m., 4:25 p.m., 7 p.m., 9:35 p.m. No passes.
'The A-Team' (PG-13) 1:30 p.m., 4:30 p.m., 7:30 p.m., 10:15 p.m. No passes.
'The Karate Kid' (PG) 1 p.m., 4 p.m., 7:05 p.m., 10:05 p.m. No passes.
'Get Him to the Greek' (R) 2 p.m., 5 p.m., 8 p.m., 10:25 p.m.
'Marmaduke' (PG) 1:25 p.m., 4:45 p.m., 7:25 p.m., 9:40 p.m.
'Killers' (PG-13) 1:45 p.m., 4:50 p.m., 7:50 p.m., 10:20 p.m.
'Prince of Persia: Sands of Time' (PG-13) 1:20 p.m., 4:20 p.m., 7:10 p.m., 9:50 p.m.
Visit www.chronicleonline.com for area movie listings and entertainment information.

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: S equals D

'ENR GYB FNK VYB STOLR NOGIRHU
UPTENRT KBVR ENR RUUKTE DREI
CYOBUPH OI ENR GYB FNK FOHH FOB.'
-IOT TKDRT JYBBOIERT

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**751-0623 WCRN
PUBLIC NOTICE
NOTICE**

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors of the Citrus Memorial Health Foundation, Inc., will be held on Monday, June 28, 2010, at 6:00 P.M., in the Board Room, located on the second floor of the Citrus Memorial Health System Administration Building, 502 Highland Blvd., Inverness, Florida. There will also be meetings of the Audit Committee, Pension Committee, Executive Committee, and the Finance Committee held in the Board Room, beginning at 3:30 p.m. to address general financial and administrative matters to be presented to the Board. Copies of the Agendas are available in the Administration office. Any person wishing to appeal any decision made by this Board, with respect to any matter considered at such meeting, must ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record must include the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

Published one (1) time in Citrus County Chronicle, June 23, 2010.

**742-0623 WCRN
Curtin, Gerald J. 2009-CP-1264 Notice to Cred.
PUBLIC NOTICE**

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION
File No. 2009-CP-1064
IN RE: ESTATE OF GERALD J. CURTIN A/K/A GERALD JOSEPH CURTIN
Deceased.**

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of Gerald J. Curtin a/k/a Gerald Joseph Curtin, deceased, whose date of death was Oct. 16, 2009, is pending in the Circuit Court for Citrus County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 110 North Apopka Avenue, Inverness, Florida 34450. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN SECTION 733.702 OF THE FLORIDA PROBATE CODE WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.

The date of first publication of this notice is June 16, 2010.

Personal Representative:
/s/ Neil Curtin

2 South 655 Avenue Normandy East, Oak Brook, Illinois 60523
Attorney for Personal Representative:
/s/ John A. Nelson, Esq., Florida Bar No.: 0727032 Slaymaker & Nelson, P.A. 2218 Hwy. 44 West, Inverness, Florida 34453 Telephone: (352)726-6129 Fax: (352) 726-0223
Published two (2) times in Citrus County Chronicle, June 16 & 23, 2010.

**752-0630 WCRN
Carmichael, Shirley Ann 2010-CP-459 NoticeToCred.
PUBLIC NOTICE**

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION
FILE NO. 2010-CP-459
IN RE: ESTATE OF SHIRLEY ANN CARMICHAEL, A/K/A SHIRLEY A. CARMICHAEL,
DECEASED.**

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of SHIRLEY ANN CARMICHAEL, a/k/a SHIRLEY A. CARMICHAEL, deceased, whose date of death was May 3, 2010, is pending in the Circuit Court for Citrus County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 110 North Apopka Avenue, Inverness, Florida 34450. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

ALL CLAIMS NOT SO FILED WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIOD SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.

The date of the first publication of this Notice is June 23, 2010.

Personal Representative:
Jennifer Goye Hall

11111 N. Mediterranean Way, Inverness, FL 34483
Attorney for Personal Representative
BRADSHAW & MOUNTJOY, P.A. /s/ Michael Mountjoy, Esq., Fla. Bar Number: 157310
209 Courthouse Square, Inverness, FL 34450 Telephone:(352) 726-1211
Published two (2) times in Citrus County Chronicle, June 23 & 30, 2010.

**744-0623 WCRN
Petrowski, Paul J. 2010 CP 405 Notice to Creditors
PUBLIC NOTICE**

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CITRUS COUNTY,
FLORIDA
FILE NO. 2010-CP-405
IN RE: THE ESTATE OF PAUL J. PETROWSKI,
Deceased.**

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the ESTATE OF PAUL J. PETROWSKI, deceased, File Number 2010-CP-405 is pending in the Circuit Court for Citrus County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 110 N. Apopka Avenue, Inverness, Florida 34450. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against the decedent's estate, including unmaturred, contingent or unliquidated claims, on whom a copy of this Notice is served must file their claims with this Court WITHIN THE LATER OF THREE (3) MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR THIRTY (30) DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against the decedent's estate, including unmaturred, contingent or unliquidated claims, must file their claims with this Court WITHIN THREE (3) MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

ALL CLAIMS NOT SO FILED WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

The date of first publication of this Notice is June 16, 2010.

Personal Representative:
TAMMY MAE CROFT

5220 S. Grey Oak Terrace, Lecanto, FL 34461
Attorney for Personal Representative:
JEROME ROTENBERG, Esq., Florida Bar No. 0045705
Carney & Associates, P.A., 7655 W Gulf to Lake Hwy., Suite 2, Crystal River, Florida 34429 352/795-8888
Published two (2) times in Citrus County Chronicle, June 16 & 23, 2010.

**741-0623 WCRN
Hamshar Family Living Trust 2010-CP-453 Notice to Cred.
PUBLIC NOTICE**

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION
File No.: 2010 CP 453 Division: Probate
IN RE: HAMSHAR FAMILY LIVING TRUST AGREEMENT DATED JULY 31, 2001**

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the HAMSHAR FAMILY LIVING TRUST AGREEMENT DATED JULY 31, 2001 ("the Trust") is pending in the Circuit Court for Citrus County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 110 North Apopka Avenue, Inverness, Florida 34450. The name of the decedent is Edna M. Hamshar whose estate's date of death was May 8, 2010. The name and address of the successor trustee and the successor trustee's attorney named in the Trust are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

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NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIOD SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.

The date of first publication of this notice is June 16, 2010.

Successor Trustee:
/s/ Lynn Mascho

8430 E. Mulr Place, Inverness, Florida 34450
Attorney for Trustee:
/s/ Thomas E. Slaymaker, Esq., Florida Bar No. 398535
SLAYMAKER & NELSON, P.A., 2218 Highway 44 West, Inverness, Florida 34453
Telephone: (352)726-6129 Fax: (352) 726-0223 E-Mail: tom@slaymakerlaw.com
Published two (2) times in Citrus County Chronicle, June 16 & 23, 2010.

**753-0630 WCRN
Brewer, Barbara J. 2010-CP-448 Notice to Cred.
PUBLIC NOTICE**

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION
File No.: 2010 CP 448 Division: Probate
IN RE: ESTATE OF BARBARA J. BREWER A/K/A BARBARA JEAN BREWER
Deceased.**

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of BARBARA J. BREWER A/K/A BARBARA JEAN BREWER, deceased whose date of death was April 26, 2010, is pending in the Circuit Court for Citrus County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 110 North Apopka Avenue, Inverness, Florida 34450. The names and address of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

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NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIOD SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.

The date of first publication of this notice is June 23, 2010.

Personal Representative:
/s/ Diana L. Whitlock

11370 South Turkey Foot Point, Homosassa, Florida 34448
Attorney for Personal Representative:
/s/ Thomas E. Slaymaker, Esq., Florida Bar No. 398535 Attny. for Diana L. Whitlock
SLAYMAKER & NELSON, P.A., 2218 Highway 44 West, Inverness, Florida 34453
Telephone: (352)726-6129 Fax: (352) 726-0223
Published two (2) times in the Citrus County Chronicle, June 23 & 30, 2010.

**754-0630 WCRN
Pinkston, Marguerite E. 2010 CP 384 Notice to Creditors
PUBLIC NOTICE**

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION
File No. 2010 CP 384 Division
IN RE: ESTATE OF MARGUERITE E. PINKSTON
Deceased.**

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of MARGUERITE E. PINKSTON, deceased, whose date of death was Oct. 26, 2008, is pending in the Circuit Court for Citrus County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 110 N. Apopka Avenue, Inverness, FL 34450-4299. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

ALL CLAIMS NOT SO FILED WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIOD SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.

The date of first publication of this notice is June 23, 2010.

Personal Representative:
/s/ KAROLEE E. NEITHER a/k/a KAROLEE E. NEITHER-HENDRICKS

9481 Highland Oak Dr., Unit 1111, Tampa, FL 33647
Attorney for Personal Representative:
GIBBONS, NEUMAN, BELLO, SEGALL ALLEN & HALLORAN, P.A.
/s/ Gary A. Gibbons, Attny., Florida Bar #275123 3321 Henderson Blvd., Tampa, Florida 33609 (813) 877-9222
Published two (2) times in Citrus County Chronicle, June 23 & 30, 2010.

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**2704-0630 WCRN
PUBLIC NOTICE
APPLICATION NO:
2010-231**

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION
FOR TAX DEED**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: ELLA III LLC
The holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows: CERTIFICATE NO: 07-2115
YEAR OF ISSUANCE: 2007
DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: CITRUS SPGS UNIT 11 PB 6 PG 80 L QT 9 BLK 652
NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED: OCCUPANT: WOODLEA INVESTMENT COMPANY LLC
Said property being in the County of Citrus, State of Florida.

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the courthouse in Inverness, Florida, on July 14, 2010 at 9:30 AM.

Dated this 3rd day of June, 2010.

BETTY STRIFLER
Clerk of the Circuit Court
Citrus County, Florida
By: Bonnie Tenney
Tax Deed Clerk

Published four (4) times in Citrus County Chronicle, June 9, 16, 23 & 30, 2010.

**2705-0630 WCRN
PUBLIC NOTICE
APPLICATION NO:
2010-232**

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION
FOR TAX DEED**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: ELLA III LLC
The holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows: CERTIFICATE NO: 07-2098
YEAR OF ISSUANCE: 2007
DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: CITRUS SPGS UNIT 11 PB 6 PG 80 L QT 4 BLK 607
NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED: OCCUPANT: WOODLEA INVESTMENT COMPANY LLC
Said property being in the County of Citrus, State of Florida.

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the courthouse in Inverness, Florida, on July 14, 2010 at 9:30 AM.

Dated this 3rd day of June, 2010.

BETTY STRIFLER
Clerk of the Circuit Court
Citrus County, Florida
By: Bonnie Tenney
Tax Deed Clerk

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**971-0630 DAILY CRN
Public Notice**

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**2699-0630 WCRN
PUBLIC NOTICE
APPLICATION NO:
2009-421**

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION
FOR TAX DEED**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: MERLOT III LLC
The holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows: CERTIFICATE NO: 06-0393
YEAR OF ISSUANCE: 2006
DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: SUNSHINE GULF ESTATES UNIT 2 PB 7 PG 25 LOT 158
NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED: BRANDON W FLYNN
OCCUPANT

Said property being in the County of Citrus, State of Florida.

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the courthouse in Inverness, Florida, on July 14, 2010 at 9:30 AM.

Dated this 3rd day of June, 2010.

BETTY STRIFLER
Clerk of the Circuit Court
Citrus County, Florida
By: Bonnie Tenney
Tax Deed Clerk

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**2698-0630 WCRN
PUBLIC NOTICE
APPLICATION NO:
2009-232**

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION
FOR TAX DEED**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: VERDOT VI LLC
The holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows: CERTIFICATE NO: 06-2215
YEAR OF ISSUANCE: 2006
DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: CITRUS SPRINGS UNIT 4 PLAT BK 5 PG 133 LOT 5 BLK 384 DESCR IN OR BK 531 PG 2401
NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED: EST OF MARK L VENT

OCCUPANT: CHRISTINE VENT
MICHAEL O VENT
OTTO A VENT
Said property being in the County of Citrus, State of Florida.

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