



TODAY & Saturday morning  
**HIGH 92** Partly cloudy, with  
**LOW 74** isolated showers and  
thunderstorms.  
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**Clarification**

Because of reporter error, a clarification on Page A1 of Thursday's paper and a related item on Page A1 of Wednesday's edition warrant further clarification. Sal Viglione III, owner of S.V. III Contracting, who received the county contract to build restrooms at Fort Island Gulf Beach, pleaded no contest to a misdemeanor charge of first-degree conspiracy to possess less than 20 grams of marijuana. Adjudication was withheld and he received 12 months probation and was ordered to pay \$268 in court costs.

The *Chronicle* regrets the errors and omissions in the previously published items.

**IN BRIEF**

**County's vets receive compensation**

Citrus County Veterans' Service Officer, Charles Fettes has announced the Veterans Benefits Administration has awarded Citrus County Veterans \$53,530,191 during fiscal year 2010-11.

The Florida Department of Veterans Affairs has released statistics that show new awards for service connected to compensation, non-service connected pension and educational benefits for veterans and dependents totaled \$5,730,191 during this period, with over \$47 million in recurring awards coming into the county.

During the fiscal year, the state of Florida received more than \$4.3 billion, with a veterans population of 1,650,876 in the state and 21,656 in Citrus County.

The Citrus County Veterans Service Office, located at 2804 W. Marc Knighton, Lecanto, assists approximately 3,500 veterans annually. For more information, call (352) 527-5915.

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**Views differ on muffling manatee rule**

*Rep. Nugent wants to put brakes on enforcement*

MIKE WRIGHT  
Staff Writer

Ron Kitchen likes the idea. Helen Spivey, not so much.

Voices on opposite ends of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's proposed manatee-protection rule for King's Bay and Crystal River reacted Thursday to news that U.S. Rep.

Rich Nugent is trying to stop the rule from taking effect.

Nugent, R-Brooksville, filed an amendment to the Department of the Interior's appropriations bill that would prohibit funding to enact the proposed rule. The House of Representatives had not yet conducted a voice vote on the amendment Thursday but could do so Friday, Nugent spokesman Harrison Lewis said.

Nugent said Wednesday he wanted to give citizens, business owners and local officials more time to meet with federal officials to design the proposed rule.

The rule includes several ele-

ments. The most talked about is that it would create a year-round slow speed manatee refuge in King's Bay, eliminating a 35 mph sport zone around Buzard Island.

County and Crystal River officials oppose the rule and have asked the agency to reconsider.

Kitchen, a Crystal River councilman, lauded Nugent's efforts.

"I agree totally," Kitchen said. "What we've been saying is we just



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believes department should be left to do its job.



**Ron Kitchen**  
councilman supports Nugent's proposal.

wanted a voice in the proposed rules. I think he was right on point. Let's reverse the process and get folks involved."

Helen Spivey, a former legislator and city councilwoman who is vice chairwoman of the Save the Manatee Club, disagreed with Nugent's approach.

"I was shocked when I learned he was going to do that," Spivey. "It's a

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**Touched by tragedy**



BRIAN LaPETER/Chronicle

Tracey Strass has kept her daughter Ashley's room as it was before the child's death in May. Ashley, 4, died in a hospital in Reston, Va., after contracting malaria during a trip to Uganda.

*Family searches for answers after child's death following trip*

CHRIS VAN ORMER  
Staff Writer

Without the eager feet and excited voice of their 4-year-old daughter, the Strasses find their home has taken on a new silence.

"If it weren't for the dogs, I don't know how we'd stand it," said Claude Strass.

Claude and his wife Tracey can barely contain the constant grief they feel for the loss of their daughter Ashley, almost 5, who was a constant burst of energy and eager to start kindergarten this year.



**Ashley Strass**

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The Strasses keep Ashley's ashes in an urn on a bedside table.

**Inverness juggles funds to pay for police**

*Officials assure residents there will be no change in services*

A.B. SIDIBE  
Staff Writer

In the proposed City of Inverness budget for 2012, law enforcement allocation is taking a \$300,000 hit.

The Citrus County Sheriff's Office, which provides police services to the community, says it would whittle down its staffing for the area from nine officers to six-and-a-half officers through attrition in the coming year.

However, both sides believe the shortfall can and will be made up.

Inverness City Manager Frank DiGiovanni said the current economic downturn caused him and his staff to turn to creative ways to make the budget fit.

He said he has been working with the sheriff's office to flesh out ways to, for example, expand the use of volunteers for functions such as parking enforcement.

"We are also looking at ways derive revenue from some of our special events and fundraisers," DiGiovanni said.

Inverness paid the sheriff's office \$1 million each of the past two fiscal years for police services, but for the upcoming year, Inverness will pay \$515,000 initially in October and in April will re-evaluate the fiscal situation and allocate \$200,000 plus "whatever the needs are," DiGiovanni said.

Commander Bob Blume of the sheriff's office said no layoffs are in the works for

deputies and talks between his department and the city about the proposed budget continue.

"Basically, it is up to them about what they are going to do. We have been working with them on this for a while now and if they want to meet before April 1 to discuss any of the issues, we are available."

Blume added, "I would like to say to the community that nothing is going to change, they would continue to get the same level of services they are used to getting."

Inverness unveiled its 2012 budget Tuesday with a raft of ideas and methods to streamline expenditures and generate revenue in this period of recession.

Among the shortfall issues the city faces is 30.5 percent fall in property values in the past three years and that 47.5 percent of the properties in the commu-

nity are off the tax rolls.

However, DiGiovanni said the city remains committed to top-notch law enforcement and the importance of funding it.

"No one should worry about it. We are going to get things done to meet the needs of the community," he said.

Last week, the council adopted a tentative property tax rate of 6.2958 mills. It is the rollback rate and is 1.29 percent higher than last year's rate.

The rollback rate is the tax rate that generates the same amount of tax revenue for the city after accounting for changing property values and new construction.

One mill is equal to \$1 of tax for each \$1,000 of assessed, nonexempt property.

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**No deal yet on debt ceiling**

*GOP cancels late-night vote*

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — An intense endgame at hand, House Republican leaders put off a vote Thursday night on legislation to avert a threatened government default and slice federal spending by nearly \$1 trillion.

GOP leaders announced their decision after abruptly halting debate on the legislation and plunging into an intensive round of meetings with rebellious conservatives.

The decision created fresh turmoil as a divided government struggled to head off a default threatened after next Tuesday that would leave the Treasury without the funds needed to pay all its bills.

As the evening slipped by, the White House poked fun at Republicans led by Speaker John Boehner, who has become President Barack Obama's principal antagonist in a contentious era of divided government. And Senate Democrats pledged to scuttle the measure — if it ever got to them — to force a final compromise.

Boehner summoned a string of Republican critics of the bill to his office.

Asked what he and the speaker had talked about, Rep. Jeff Flake, R-Ariz., said, "I think that's rather obvious. ... There's negotiations going on."

Based on public statements by lawmakers themselves, it appeared that five of some two dozen holdouts were from South Carolina. The state is also represented by Sen. Jim DeMint, who has solid ties to tea party groups and is a strong critic of compromising on the debt issue.

A few first-term conservatives slipped into a small chapel a few paces down the hall from the Capitol Rotunda as they contemplated one of the most consequential votes of their careers.

Asked if he was seeking divine inspiration, Rep. Tim Scott, R-S.C., said that had already happened. "I was leaning no and now I am a no."

Many more congregated in the office of the chief GOP vote counter, California Rep. Kevin McCarthy, perhaps drawn to the 19 boxes of pizza that were rolled in. Boehner joined them but did not speak to reporters.

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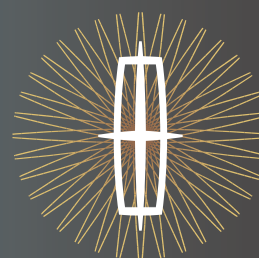
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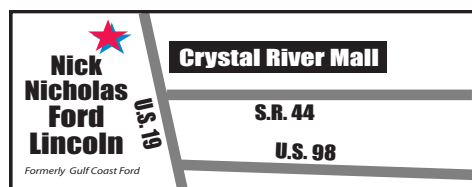


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**Around the COUNTY**

**Sen. Dean opposes Citizens rate hike**

State Sen. Charlie Dean said Thursday the state should conduct public hearings before it allows Citizens Property Insurance Corp. to have 400-plus percent rate hikes on sinkhole insurance. Dean, R-Inverness, said coastal Citrus County homeowners could see rate increases of 1,700 percent if the state Department of Insurance Regulation adopts the Citizens proposal.

"This is not right and I am absolutely opposed to this rate increase," Dean said in a news release.

Citizens, the state's largest property insurance company, announced the sinkhole rate increase Wednesday in response to soaring claims.

State Sen. Mike Fasano, R-New Port Richey, has also called on the state to conduct public hearings prior to Citizens putting the rates into effect.

Citizens has 4,380 policy holders in Citrus County, according to Dean's office. Of those, 381 have sinkhole coverage.

**HPH Hospice to host Alzheimer's workshop**

HPH Hospice, in partnership with the Alzheimer's Association of Florida and Sunflower Springs Assisted Living Facility, is hosting a four-week "Caregiver Training Series" workshop to provide support and assistance to caregivers of patients living with Alzheimer's disease and dementia.

The workshop will be at Sunflower Springs Assisted Living Community, 8733 W. Yulee Drive, Homosassa, from 2 to 3:30 p.m. on Aug. 10, Aug. 17, Aug. 24 and Aug. 31. Topics covered include an overview of Alzheimer's disease, HBO's "The Alzheimer's Project - Caregivers," communicating with Alzheimer's patients and dealing with difficult behaviors.

There is no charge to attend the workshop. Reservations are required. Please call (352) 527-4600 to reserve a space.

**BOCC establishes Purple Heart Day**

Citrus County Board of County Commissioners presented a proclamation to the members of Aaron A. Weaver Chapter 776 Military Order of the Purple Heart recognizing the 229th anniversary of the Purple Heart and designating Aug. 7 as Purple Heart Day in honor of America's fallen and combat wounded warriors.

**District approves proposed millage rate**

The Southwest Florida Water Management District Governing Board Tuesday adopted its proposed fiscal year 2012 millage rate.

The proposed 2012 millage rate of 0.3928 mills takes into account the merger of the budgets of the district's eight basin boards into the governing board, and the \$108 million cap on ad valorem property tax collections passed by the Florida Legislature.

For the owner of a \$150,000 home with a \$50,000 homestead exemption, the new districtwide tax would be \$39.28 a year, or about \$3.27 per month. The proposed millage rate will be used by county property appraisers when mailing out Truth in Millage (TRIM) notices of proposed property taxes to residents.

Two statutorily required public TRIM hearings will be held in September. The first will be at 5:01 p.m. Sept. 13 at the District's Tampa service office.

The governor's office and the state Legislature will review and approve the budgets of all five water management districts before the second and final public hearing.

The District's second and final TRIM hearing will be Sept. 27 at 5:01 p.m. at the District's Brooksville Headquarters.

—From staff reports

**Grow-house bust nets 250-plus plants**

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CITRUS SPRINGS — Citrus County deputies arrested two Citrus Springs residents Thursday afternoon after seizing hundreds of marijuana plants from the pair's home.

According to the Citrus County Sheriff's Office, members of the Citrus County Sheriff's Office Tac-

tical Impact Unit (TIU) served a search warrant at 10168 N. Citrus Springs Blvd. The home was reportedly the focus of a three-month undercover investigation.

Deputies seized more than 250 marijuana plants ranging in size from month-old seedlings to mature plants ready for harvest, along with trafficking amounts of final product

from the "well-organized indoor grow operation," a news release stated. Officials said the bust translates into more than \$250,000 worth of illegal marijuana taken off the streets.

Deputies took into custody Gregory Pearson, 40, and Danielle Champagne, 37. They will face multiple drug charges that include cultivation of cannabis, traf-

ficking in cannabis, theft of utilities, renting for the purpose of cannabis cultivation and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Peggy Nevels, who lives near where the bust occurred, said Thursday afternoon during a phone interview that she knew nothing about the marijuana bust in her neighborhood. When asked if she noticed any increased law

enforcement traffic, she said she had not seen any.

For the most part, she called her neighborhood relatively quiet except for vehicle traffic up and down the street. She said she was surprised to hear about a grow house being found in her neighborhood.

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BRIAN LaPETER/Chronicle

Mel Black, left, Ray Warner, Wilma Becker and Nancy Oliveri work Thursday at the Serving Our Savior food pantry ministry at the former Key Training Center nursery. The food pantry is moving to Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Hernando.

**Food pantry ministry moves to permanent home**

**NANCY KENNEDY**  
*Staff Writer*

LECANTO — In the past four years, the weekly S.O.S. (Serving Our Savior) food pantry has moved three times.

On Thursday, volunteers for the ministry finished its final food giveaway at the Key Center location. Previously, they used the Mrs. Bobby Orvis Building on the Key Center main campus, and prior to that, they were at Shepherd of the Hills Episcopal Church in Lecanto.

Beginning Thursday, Aug. 4, they will be in their permanent home at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 439 E. Norvell Bryant Highway (County Road 486), Hernando.

Hours will remain the same: 9 a.m. to noon every Thursday.

S.O.S. began as a ministry of Shepherd of the Hills Episcopal Church in 2004, serving about 40 local families. Today they serve about 1,000 families, about 100 per week. Families are eligible for food once every two weeks. One person gets about 25 to 30 pounds of food, including meat.

"We even have birthday cakes from Winn-Dixie, if there's a child with a birthday," said Barb Johnson, one of the S.O.S. ministry leaders.

Pre-registration is not required. People can just show up on a Thursday morning and register when the doors open at 9 a.m. Most weeks people are there as early as 7:30 a.m.

In 2009, Good Shepherd Lutheran, Unity of Citrus County and House of Power joined with



Debra West, of Crystal River, picks up food Thursday at the Serving Our Savior food pantry. The ministry provides between 80 to 120 families with food every week.

Shepherd of the Hills to serve the hungry of Citrus County.

"It's hectic today because we're moving," John Bourdeaux, another S.O.S. ministry leader, said Thursday. "Next week we'll be at Good Shepherd, and when we get set up we'll have our (food) shed and cooler in the parking lot."

He added that the Key Center has been very generous, letting them use space rent-free.

"We've paid the power bill here," he said. "Good Shepherd will also be rent-free and we'll pay for electricity there, too."

Recently, the ministry was given a \$15,000 grant from the Florida-Bahamas Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of America (ELCA), which they used to purchase a

walk-in freezer and refrigerator.

Those who get food from S.O.S., such as Dunnellon residents Jack and Brenda Killoren, also get food elsewhere.

"I only have Social Security and I can use help every once in a while," Killoren said. "Especially when we have the grandkids over — there's four or five of them and they love to eat."

Mrs. Killoren said they also get groceries from the Crystal River Church of God, Crystal River Methodist Church and First Baptist Church in Crystal River.

"It's not like we're begging for it," Killoren said, "but we can use it."

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**Fuel prices continue wild ride in summer months**

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At the beginning of February 2006, the average price of gas was \$2.11. Then, it shot up to \$4.12 in June 2008. However, just like that, the day after Christmas of the same year, it dropped to \$1.61.

Since then, fuel prices have climbed steadily, skirting with or breaching the \$4 per gallon mark in April of 2011. After hovering near that mark for most of the spring, prices started inching downward again with a promise that the trend will continue through the summer.

But last Friday, crude oil closed just shy of \$100 a barrel on continued optimism among investors that the U.S. economy will begin to pick up. Oil settled at \$99.87 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange — \$2.38 more than the week prior.

A weakened U.S. dollar coupled with European agreements to resolve the debt crisis and bail out Greece also drove oil prices higher. While gasoline demand remains relatively unchanged from this time last year, crude stockpiles fell as a result of increased demand for diesel.

**CURRENT AND PAST PRICE AVERAGES**

Regular unleaded gasoline

	Current	Week ago	Month ago	Year ago
National	\$3.694	\$3.676	\$3.587	\$2.737
Florida	\$3.704	\$3.667	\$3.551	\$2.674
Georgia	\$3.731	\$3.669	\$3.509	\$2.596
Tennessee	\$3.576	\$3.535	\$3.409	\$2.557

Source: AAA.

"Consumers can expect to see retail gas prices increase further this week and it's likely this increase will continue into August," said Jessica Brady, spokesperson, AAA Auto Club South.

"As hurricane season starts to heat up with vari-

ous storms forming, it's likely oil prices will remain volatile on that factor alone. We are definitely going to see ebbs and flows in the oil market for the remainder of the summer with gas prices in continual fluctuation."

The debt-ceiling crisis also influences prices, Brady said.

"If the U.S. defaults and the dollar loses its value, it will further drive oil prices up. Crude is sold on the international market with U.S. currency. A lower valued dollar will mean oil would become more expensive for us," Brady said.

The national average price of regular unleaded gasoline is \$3.69 per gallon, a 2-cent increase from last week. Florida's average price of \$3.70 increased 4 cents. Georgia's average price of \$3.73 rose 7 cents from last week, and Tennessee's average price of \$3.57 increased 4 cents from last week.

**State BRIEFS**

**Glad Tidings services Saturday**

Sabbath school begins at 9:15 a.m. Saturday with song, then study at Glad Tidings Church. Divine hour follows at 11 a.m. Elder Sweet will continue the study on Hebrews with sermon No. 11. A vegan lunch will follow. All are invited.

Bible study is at 6 p.m. Thursday. All are invited.

CHIP (Coronary Health Improvement Program) alumni meet at 5 p.m. the first Monday monthly. Interested persons are invited.

For information, call Bob at (352) 628-1743.

The church is at 520 N.E. Third Ave., Crystal River (behind the Gettin' Place Pawn Shop).

**Beth Sholom to host 'Mame' party**

Congregation Beth Sholom, with Hazzan Mordecai Kamlot as cantor/spiritual leader, is the only synagogue in Citrus County and offers spirited and participatory-style weekly Friday evening and Saturday morning Shabbat services, along with social and cultural activities.

A theater party for "Mame" will be 2 p.m. Sunday, July 31, at Civic Arts Center in Hernando. Donation is \$22.50. For tickets, call (352) 746-2381 or (352) 746-6258.

A three-week mini-course will be Aug. 15, 22 and 29 in the Etz Hayim Institute as part of the adult education program. The course from 7 to 8 p.m. is "When Bad Things Happen to Good People: God, Faith & Evil" and from 8:15 to 9:15 p.m., "Miracle in the Middle East: The Israeli Economy." Each class is \$5 per session plus textbook. To register, email mkamlot2@gmail.com or call (352) 643-0995.

The annual Game & Card Party and Luncheon will be noon Thursday, Aug. 25. Lunch followed by your favorite card or board games. Donation \$10. For tickets call (352) 527-6666 or (352) 637-6370.

The address is 102 Civic Circle, Beverly Hills. Call (352) 643-0995 or (352) 746-5303, or email mkamlot2@gmail.com.

**Tropical Storm Don bound for Texas**

MIAMI — Tropical Storm Don is over the central Gulf of Mexico but the system is not expected to become a hurricane as it moves toward southeastern Texas.

The National Hurricane Center in Miami said Don's maximum sustained winds Thursday were 45 mph. Slow strengthening is forecast before the storm makes landfall on the Texas coast late Friday or Saturday.

—From staff and wire reports

# DEBT

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"Clock ticks towards August 2, House is naming post offices, while leaders twist arms for a pointless vote. No wonder people hate Washington," White House Communications Director Dan Pfeiffer tweeted. Earlier, Boehner had exuded optimism.

"Let's pass this bill and end the crisis," Boehner said. "It raises the debt limit and cuts government spending by a larger amount."

Obama has threatened to veto the measure, and in debate on the House floor, Rep. Debbie Wasserman Schultz of Florida savaged it as a "Republican plan for default." She said the GOP hoped to "hold our economy hostage while forcing an ideological agenda" on the country.

Despite the sharp rhetoric, there were signs that gridlock might be giving way.

"Around here you've got to have deadlock before you have breakthrough," said Sen. Kent Conrad, D-N.D. "We're at that stage now."

Wall Street suffered fresh losses as Congress struggled to break its long gridlock. The Dow Jones industrial average was down for a

fifth straight session.

The Treasury Department moved ahead with plans to hold its regular weekly auction of three-month and six-month securities on Monday. Yet officials offered no information on what steps would be taken if Congress failed to raise the nation's \$14.3 trillion debt limit by the following day.

Without signed legislation by Aug. 2, the Treasury will not have enough funds to pay all the nation's bills. Administration officials have warned of potentially calamitous effects on the economy if that happens — a spike in interest rates, a plunge in stock markets and a tightening in the job market in a nation already struggling with unemployment over 9 percent.

White House press secretary Jay Carney outlined White House compromise terms: "significant deficit reduction, a mechanism by which Congress would take on the tough issues of tax reform and entitlement reform and a lifting of the debt ceiling beyond ... into 2013."

The last point loomed as the biggest obstacle.

The House bill cuts spending by \$917 billion over a decade, principally by holding down costs for hundreds of government programs ranging from the Park Service to the Agriculture Department and foreign aid.

It also provides an immediate debt limit increase of \$900 billion, which is less than half of the total needed to meet Obama's insistence that there be no replay of the current crisis in the heat of the 2012 election campaigns.

The GOP bill's \$917 billion in up-front spending cuts was trillions less than many tea party-backed rank-and-file Republican lawmakers wanted, but a total that seemed nearly unimaginable when they took power in the House last winter with an agenda of reining in government. Numerous Republicans grumbled that the legislation didn't cut more deeply, and Boehner and the rest of the GOP leadership have spent their week cajoling reluctant conservatives to provide the votes needed to pass it.

By most accounts, they were succeeding.

"It gives us a little bit of heartburn because it doesn't go big enough," said Rep. Sean Duffy, R-Wis., a first-term lawmaker who said he would vote for the bill.

Another first-term Republican, Rep. Martha Roby of Alabama, said the bill was "far from perfect. But I don't have the luxury of writing the plan by myself, and neither does Speaker Boehner."

While the White House and De-

mocrats objected to the House bill, they readied an alternative that contained similarities.

Drafted by Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, it provides for \$2.7 trillion in additional borrowing authority for the Treasury. It also calls for cuts of \$2.2 trillion, including about \$1 trillion in Pentagon savings that assume the end of the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan.

Even before the House voted, Reid served notice he would stage a vote to kill the legislation.

"No Democrat will vote for a short-term Band-Aid that would put our economy at risk and put the nation back in this untenable situation a few short months from now," he said.

The day's events marked the climax of a struggle that began last winter, when the Treasury Department notified Congress it would need additional borrowing authority, and Boehner said any increase would have to include steps to reduce future spending.

At first the White House balked at the terms, then relented. That gradually morphed into a series of bipartisan negotiations, one led by Vice President Joe Biden, then another by Obama, and finally, a round of golf that led to stab at a "grand bargain" between the president and Boehner.

## For the RECORD

### Citrus County Sheriff's Office

#### Thefts

■ A grand theft (\$300 or more) occurred on July 1 in the 300 block of Lake Street, Inverness.

■ A petit theft and vandalism occurred at about 9 a.m. July 18 in the 6400 block of W. Gulf-to-Lake Highway, Crystal River.

■ A grand theft (\$300 or more) occurred at about 1 p.m. July 19 in the 3100 block of N. Hooty Point, Inverness.

■ A grand theft (\$300 or more) occurred at about 8:45 p.m. July 21 in the 10400 block of W. Halls River Road, Homosassa.

#### Vandalisms

■ A vandalism (\$200 or more) occurred on July 4 in the 20 block of W. Murray Street, Beverly Hills.

■ A vandalism (\$200 or less) occurred at about 11 a.m. July 22 in the 2300 block of N.W. U.S. Highway 19, Crystal River.

# RULE

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local issue. He had come over here and seen Three Sisters Springs. I thought he was copacetic with letting the people decide."

Spivey noted that the wildlife service is taking public comment until Aug. 22, so she wondered why Nugent wouldn't let the opinion cycle run its course.

"He's saying he wants to slow it down so everybody gets a chance but he's stopping it right in the middle," Spivey said.

Nugent said he disagreed

with the agency's protocol of devising the rule and then seeking public comment. He said he doubted the agency would change its mind despite public input.

Kitchen agreed the process is backward.

"If that's the way the rules are made that process needs to be changed," Kitchen said.

Spivey said Nugent should allow the wildlife agency to do its job.

"They're professional, they're scientific, they're dedicated," she said, "so you have to trust them."

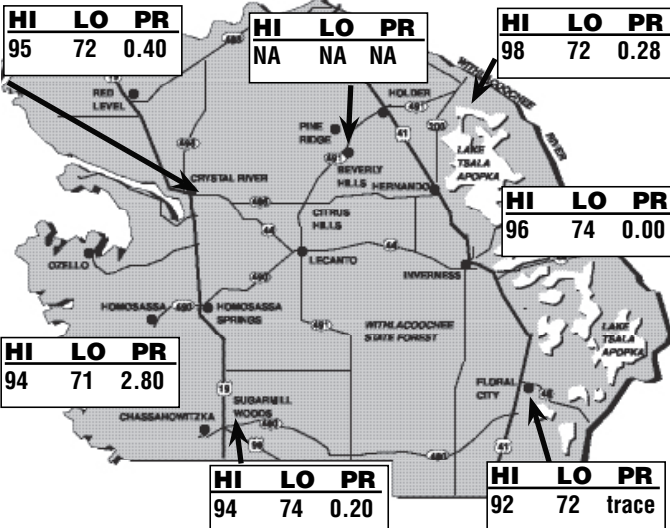
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## YESTERDAY'S WEATHER



## FLORIDA TEMPERATURES

City	H	L	F'cast	City	H	L	F'cast
Daytona Bch.	91	74	pc	Miami	92	83	pc
Ft. Lauderdale	91	84	pc	Ocala	95	74	pc
Fort Myers	96	77	pc	Orlando	95	75	pc
Gainesville	93	74	pc	Pensacola	94	78	pc
Homestead	89	82	pc	Sarasota	94	78	pc
Jacksonville	95	74	pc	Tallahassee	95	75	pc
Key West	92	84	sh	Tampa	94	80	pc
Lakeland	97	75	pc	Vero Beach	91	76	pc
Melbourne	91	77	pc	W. Palm Bch.	90	82	pc

## MARINE OUTLOOK

East winds around 10 knots. Seas 2 feet. Bay and inland waters will have a light chop. Partly cloudy skies today.

## Gulf water temperature

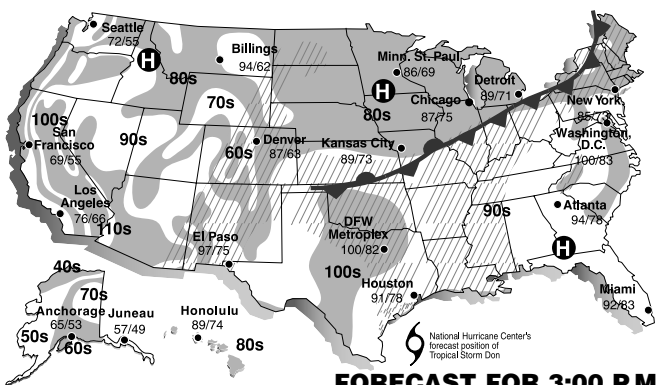
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## LAKE LEVELS

Location	Wed.	Thu.	Full
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Tsala Apopka-Inverness	37.08	37.09	40.60
Tsala Apopka-Floral City	38.32	38.36	42.40

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Atlanta	94	76	pc	94	78	ts
Atlanta City	92	69	pc	87	74	pc
Austin	101	78	pc	97	78	pc
Baltimore	90	68	pc	98	77	pc
Billings	84	57	s	94	62	pc
Birmingham	91	77	pc	92	75	ts
Boise	89	56	s	94	55	ts
Boston	75	68	ts	81	71	ts
Buffalo	81	70	.03	80	70	ts
Burlington, VT	84	57	ts	82	61	ts
Charleston, SC	91	75	pc	93	79	pc
Charleston, WV	94	68	pc	94	71	pc
Charlotte	96	74	pc	99	72	pc
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Cincinnati	98	70	ts	92	72	ts
Cleveland	89	71	.52	ts	85	71
Columbia, SC	92	73	pc	100	76	pc
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Concord, N.H.	83	52	ts	82	63	ts
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Des Moines	86	77	ts	87	70	ts
Detroit	90	72	2.21	pc	89	71
El Paso	96	75	ts	97	75	ts
Evansville, IN	96	73	ts	94	75	ts
Harrisburg	82	67	.61	pc	95	72
Hartford	85	64	ts	82	70	ts
Houston	94	78	ts	91	78	ts
Indianapolis	96	76	ts	92	73	ts
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Las Vegas	104	85	ts	102	84	ts
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Los Angeles	74	66	pc	76	66	pc
Louisville	97	77	ts	94	76	ts
Memphis	93	78	ts	90	79	ts
Milwaukee	85	72	.13	pc	82	67
Minneapolis	88	75	s	86	69	ts
Mobile	81	75	.49	pc	93	75
Montgomery	87	73	pc	94	76	pc
Nashville	96	74	pc	93	76	pc
New Orleans	91	76	3.30	ts	93	79
New York City	87	71	ts	85	73	ts
Norfolk	93	76	pc	98	78	ts
Oklahoma City	103	76	ts	100	76	ts
Omaha	86	71	1.18	pc	87	71
Palm Springs	107	77	ts	109	83	ts
Philadelphia	88	74	pc	93	77	pc
Phoenix	107	78	ts	109	85	ts
Pittsburgh	90	70	ts	90	70	ts
Portland, ME	77	60	ts	76	63	ts
Portland, Ore.	82	56	ts	80	58	ts
Providence, R.I.	83	67	ts	83	71	ts
Raleigh	100	75	ts	102	77	ts
Rapid City	83	62	pc	87	69	pc
Reno	95	62	ts	98	67	ts
Rochester, NY	76	66	.01	ts	83	69
Sacramento	95	58	ts	101	65	ts
St. Louis	100	78	ts	102	82	ts
St. Ste. Marie	82	66	ts	82	66	ts
Salt Lake City	90	65	ts	94	59	ts
San Antonio	100	79	ts	107	76	ts
San Diego	72	65	pc	74	66	pc
San Francisco	70	55	ts	74	55	ts
Savannah	92	71	.80	pc	95	77
Seattle	76	54	pc	72	55	pc
Spokane	82	54	ts	83	57	ts
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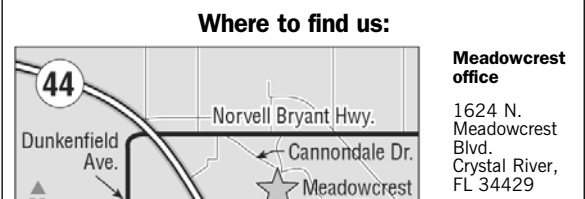
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# TRAGEDY

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Ashley Mirembe Strass was born June 23, 2006. Her death in Virginia on May 7 is under investigation by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, which has determined that Ashley had malaria when she died, although the CDC has yet to establish cause of death. She had just returned from a trip to Uganda with her mother.

If the cause of death is malaria, the loss of Ashley's young life is especially tragic because the disease is preventable and curable. Only a handful of malaria deaths happen each year in the United States.

More than two months have passed since the terrible day the Strasses lost their daughter. Her photos are placed through the Homosassa home. In a faltering voice, Claude read a framed tribute to Ashley written by Tracey.

"Throughout the years, you developed your own personality: charming, friendly, loving, always talking to whoever bothered to listen. We celebrated your birthdays, holidays and your achievements.

"...Pancakes and French toast with syrup was your favorite breakfast. For lunch, mac and cheese did it for you. You were ready to learn from your father ... You enjoyed swimming, taking walks, watching the sunset ..."

Ashley's big brother, Steve, who lives in San Francisco and works for General Electric, also wrote a tribute.

"Ashley left on a journey with her mother to Uganda for four weeks to meet with her family for the first time. She was so excited to be visiting Africa, her mother's homeland. While there, Ashley met so many who love her, her aunts, uncles, cousins and family and friends. She was so cheerful and excited to be with her loved ones. Shortly after arriving, Ashley became ill. They traveled back home to Florida early. She was behaving so well for such a

long flight home, telling her mom how much she could not wait to see her dad. On landing in Washington, D.C., for a couple-hour layover, her illness had progressed and she succumbed to the will of the Lord. It all happened so fast ...

"God bless little Ashley. Our love for her is eternal."

The loss of a child is heartbreaking in every case. "It doesn't get better," Claude said.

Parents grieve and go over the details again and again.

According to Claude, Tracey and Ashley went to the Citrus County Health Department for preventive medical treatment for their trip to Uganda, a trip the mother had planned for years to spend four weeks with her own family and introduce her daughter.

"On April 14, 2011, they left for what they thought would be a fun time," Claude said. "After about one week into the trip, Ashley contracted a high fever."

Tracey took Ashley to Case, an international hospital, where she was diagnosed with a bacterial infection and treated with an antibiotic.

But her fever didn't break. Back at Case, Ashley was given more of the same medication, Claude said.

Showing no improvement, Ashley was taken to another medical facility, LifeLink, where more blood samples were taken. Again, Tracey was told Ashley had a bacterial infection and given a similar antibiotic.

Tracey said when she suggested Ashley should be tested for malaria, the hospitals refused.

Being a disease caused by a parasitological organism transmitted by mosquitoes, malaria cannot be treated with antibiotics. They have no effect.

On some days during her visit in Uganda, Ashley would seem to be well. But other days she'd run a fever. Tracey decided to fly her daughter home.

During the layover at Dulles airport in Washington, D.C., Ashley became severely ill. She knew she was sick.

## U.S. MALARIA CASES

- 2005: 1,528 (7 fatal)
- 2006: 1,564 (6 fatal)
- 2007: 1,505 (1 fatal)
- 2008: 1,298 (2 fatal)
- 2009: 1,484 (4 fatal)

— Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Weeping, Tracey told of her last moments in the boarding area at Dulles Airport with her daughter.

"I kept saying, 'What's wrong? Tell mommy what's the matter.' She kept saying, 'I want to go home. I want to see my daddy.' I told her, 'Daddy loves you. He wants you to get better when you get home. As soon as we get to the airport (in Tampa), we're going to take you to the doctor.'"

Ashley took a nap. Tracey cuddled her and wrapped her in a blanket.

"And then I saw her breathing hard," Tracey sobbed. "I woke her up and I looked in her eyes and she was already going. I screamed for help. I said, 'Somebody please help me. My baby's dying.'"

Help arrived. Someone started giving Ashley CPR.

"The doctor brought her back three times," Claude said.

Emergency services came, stabilized Ashley and

gave her oxygen.

Claude said when the oxygen was removed, Ashley "passed in a very short period of time" at a hospital in Virginia.

The two parents lived the nightmare separated by the distance.

"Tracey's there all by herself," Claude said. "She's not from this country. She's just lost her daughter and she's got no place to go. There are no flights coming back. I can't get up. She can't come down because there are no flights. It's too late in the day."

Some kindly women set Tracey up with a hotel room that night. One of the women stayed with Tracey all night and the next day flew with Tracey to Tampa to get her back to Claude.

"They were like angels," Claude said.

But no one in authority told the Strasses where Ashley's body was.

"It's a nightmare," Claude said. "The medical examiners up there were terrible as far as telling us where she is, what the procedure is, when she is going to be available, how we pick her up. In the beginning, we didn't know where she was at all."

They got the airline to help find where Ashley was. Then, Claude said, he got a call from a staff member at the CDC.

"We did not contact them," Claude said. "They (the

## WEEKLY AQUATIC TREATMENT SCHEDULE FOR CITRUS COUNTY

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CDC) contacted us because of the irregularity with the hospital in Virginia; it didn't report her death for five hours. Apparently, that's not the way it's supposed to be. That's how the CDC got involved."

In its ongoing investigation, the CDC, according to Claude, has determined Ashley had malaria at the time of her death. It is investigating Case and LifeLink hospitals in Uganda to determine why Ashley was misdiagnosed. It is looking at the role played by the county health department in providing preventive care. It is investigating the Virginia hospital about why Ashley was lost so fast and why the hospital didn't report the death in a timely manner.

No nightmare needs a second chapter, but the Strasses got one. On May 31, Tracey, who is expecting a baby in September, fell ill. Accord-

ing to Claude, the CDC got blood tests done to determine that Tracey had malaria. Several hospitals were contacted, until Tracey was sent to Winnie Palmer Hospital for Women and Babies in Orlando.

"If it wasn't for the good care at Winnie Palmer and the CDC, Tracey and her unborn son would also be dead," Claude said. "I cannot say enough about the CDC. This agency has been our angel and saved two lives."

Many angels decorate Ashley's bedroom.

Tracey concluded her tribute to Ashley: "For the times we shared together and the love you gave us, you will be our angel in heaven and on earth rest in peace. Love, Mom."

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# Psychology of debt talks all in the game of chicken

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Psychologists and mediators compare the political wrangling over the debt limit to a dangerous game of “chicken” with both sides racing cars at each other head-on.

This is not political rhetoric. It’s a real-life psychological negotiating scenario where it sometimes helps to seem crazy, international relations experts say. And while it usually ends in a fair deal, sometimes it’s a complete disaster.

Much of the debt limit talks are secret, so progress could be being made; White House officials Thursday expressed some optimism. Outside experts, though, don’t like what they can see from the public statements.

“If there is a recipe for poor negotiations and poor negotiation outcome, watch what these political leaders have been doing these past few days,” said Daniel L. Shapiro, founder of the Harvard International Negotiation Program. This is from a psychologist who has started a mediation program used in 30 countries and has been named “Peacemaker of the Year” by a mediation society.

“There’s very little listening, very little learning — mutual learning — very little cross-group communication, very little creative thinking,” he said.

Still, there’s hope this marriage can be saved, the experts say. What’s needed is a sense of empathy on both sides, the idea that we’re all in this together, said some professional mediators and psychologists contacted by The Associated Press.

They blame a lack of trust, pandering to political bases and too much heated emotions.

“If you start framing this as a war, it becomes a war,” Shapiro said. “This is very dangerous.”

Shapiro called it a “very deadly game of chicken,” noting that chicken is a negotiation scenario well studied by psychologists, sociologists, economists and diplomats. In the game, two cars drive head-on. If neither swerves out of the way there is the worst possible outcome: a crash. If both swerve, everyone survives with the same honor. The ultimate win: one doesn’t swerve, the other does.

Another way to win: throw the steering

wheel out the window and make sure the other side knows it and will be forced to flinch. Shapiro thinks that’s happened in Washington, but American University international studies professor Joshua Goldstein disagrees.

Goldstein, who has written a book chapter about the chicken game in diplomacy, said the side that has the least to lose is more believable when it threatens to ditch the steering wheel and go for broke: “It gives the weaker party more negotiating power.”

In this situation, tea party followers have more credibility in their throw-the-wheel-out threats and President Barack Obama, who wants to be re-elected, can’t play consequences-be-damned, he said.

The game of chicken “has to be dangerous in order to give people the incentive to cooperate. It helps if you are crazy or if you pretend to be crazy,” Goldstein said.

Psychologists have shown in experiments that the chicken game’s mutual destruction possibility somehow gets individuals to cooperate more, about two-thirds of the time. But

that’s not necessarily the case with groups. When two groups of people are involved, the best possible outcome occurs only about a quarter of the time, and the chance of complete disaster rises, a 1997 study in the Journal of Conflict Resolution shows.

Leaders can be more likely to compromise but their colleagues push them to not make concessions and instead head off the cliff, Shapiro said.

Watching the debt negotiations reminds Linda Tropp, a professor of psychology at University of Massachusetts Amherst, of the continuing Israel and Palestinian conflict. It’s more competitive bargaining than a give-and-take dialogue, said Tropp, director of her school’s peace and violence program. “This seems increasingly more entrenched,” Tropp said. “And the more we go on this route toward protracted conflict, the harder and harder it will be to undo the pain of the past.”

The key to breaking that deadlock is trying to see the other side’s view more and to humanize — not demonize — your counterpart, both Tropp and Shapiro said.

Shapiro said both sides have to “turn this from a me-versus-you situation to a shared problem. If this does not go well, this is bad for everybody.”

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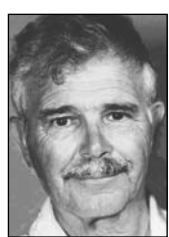
## Obituaries



### Frank Giannetti, 88

RIO RANCHO, N.M.

Frank Giannetti, age 88, of Rio Rancho, NM, passed away Monday, July 18, 2011, in Rio Rancho, NM. Survivors include his 3 children, Arthur Giannetti of Yorktown, VA, Frank Paul Giannetti of Tewksbury, MA,



Frank Giannetti

Carole Ann Williams of Maricopa, AZ; his 2 grandchildren, Julie Moore of Haverhill, MA, and Jimmy Moore of Tempe, AZ; his 3 sisters, Al Macone of Wilmington, MA, Amy Rossetti and Nora Goodman of Rio Rancho, NM; his brother, Arthur Giannetti of Rio Rancho, NM; and many nieces and nephews. Mr. Giannetti was preceded in death by his beloved wife, Maria (Terranova) Giannetti.

He was born May 26, 1923, in Somerville, MA, son of Arthur Giannetti and Maria (Masci) Giannetti. He was a proud veteran, having served in the Navy during WWII as a seaman first class. He worked as an anti-aircraft gunner on the heavy cruiser USS Canberra, surviving a torpedo attack during one of many Pacific conflicts. He was a member of the DAV and Elks Clubs, both in Tewksbury, MA, and the Elks in Hernando, FL. He worked as a civil engi-

neer for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts until his retirement, when he moved to Hernando, FL, in 1986.

The service of remembrance for Mr. Frank (Chico) Giannetti will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, July 30, 2011, at Daniels Family Funeral Home of Rio Rancho, NM. The family requests expressions of sympathy take the form of memorial donations to Hospice Compassus, 6000 NE Uptown Blvd., Suite 104, Albuquerque, NM 87110. To view funeral information or leave condolences, please visit [www.danielsfuneral.com](http://www.danielsfuneral.com). Mr. Giannetti’s care has been entrusted to Daniels Family Funeral Services, Sara Road Chapel, 4310 S.E. Sara Road, Rio Rancho, New Mexico 87124. (505) 892-9920.

### David Turner, 66

BEVERLY HILLS

David H. Turner, 66, Beverly Hills, died July 26, 2011. Private arrangements with Chas. E. Davis Funeral Home with Crematory.

### Shirley Weyrauch, 82

LUTZ

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# Hikers face Iranian court date on spy charges

Associated Press

MINNEAPOLIS — The families of two Americans imprisoned in Iran for nearly two years say they're counting on a court hearing Sunday to end their ordeal at last.

Shane Bauer and Josh Fattal, both 29, are due for what Iranian authorities have said will be a final hearing in their protracted espionage case. It's scheduled two years to the day after they were arrested along with another American, Sarah Shourd, during a hike on the Iraq-Iran border. Shourd was released last September.

Bauer's mother, Cindy Hickey, said she'll be up all night praying.

"As a mother I'm always holding out hope, but it's been two years. ... It's time for this to be heard in court and for a release to be made," Hickey said, adding that she's heard "some really positive comments coming out of Tehran" that give her hope.

Hickey was referring to remarks by Tehran's chief prosecutor, Abbas Jafari Dowlatabadi, who told Iran's official news agency in June that officials "are hopeful that the final decision about the three Americans' case will be taken" at Sunday's hearing. He did not hint at what the decision might be. But the families, who have long maintained the hikers' innocence, took his comments as a good sign that their ordeal will soon be over.

"They themselves said that it will be the final decision, at that point, and the final hearing. So I have every belief that they will live (up) to this, and I am more than eager to see Josh and Shane come home," said Josh's mother, Laura Fattal, of Pennsylvania. She also said she sees the hearing date — the second anniversary of their arrest — as a good sign.

Shourd, now 32, and Bauer got engaged in prison before she was released on what Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad said were humanitarian grounds following health issues. She said she's also managing to be optimistic.

"Optimism is what gets me through every day and what gets Shane and Josh through every day in prison," Shourd said. "We have been told that a final decision will be made. And our lawyer, Masoud Shaffi, is a brave, courageous man, and he's read their file. He said there is absolutely no evidence against them and he's feeling very upbeat and he's very much looking forward to this final session. And we're all very hopeful that this will be the end of our nightmare."

But the families have



Associated Press

In this May 20, 2010 file photo, American hikers Shane Bauer, left, Sarah Shourd, center, and Josh Fattal, sit at the Esteghial Hotel in Tehran, Iran. Shane Bauer and Josh Fattal are due for what Iranian authorities have said will be a final hearing in their espionage case on Sunday. The date comes two years to the day after they were arrested.

been deeply disappointed before. The mothers both said one of their lowest points came May 11, when their sons' espionage trial was scheduled to resume but was canceled at the last minute without explanation.

"We were very, very upset about that," Laura Fattal said.

One of their highest points was Shourd's release on \$500,000 bail last September. She refused to return to Iran for trial when she was summoned in February.

The families have been working to make sure Iranian authorities know the rest of the world is watching. They've elicited statements of support from President Barack Obama, Secretary of State Hillary Clinton, U.N. Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon, Nobel Peace Prize winner Archbishop Desmond Tutu, and well-known Muslims such as former boxing champion Muhammad Ali and Yusuf Islam, the singer formerly known as Cat Stevens.

Shourd, Laura Fattal and Josh's brother, Alex Fattal, planned a rally in New York on Friday outside the Iranian mission to the United Nations.

"The world is ready to celebrate Josh and Shane's freedom," Alex Fattal said. "Our mobilization Friday is

called 'Two Years Too Long' because they never should have been picked up in the first place. ... Their ongoing detention accomplishes nothing, just breaking our hearts and the hearts of people all over the world."

Shourd, Bauer and Fattal — friends from their student days at the University of California-Berkeley — were vacationing in Iraqi Kurdistan when they went hiking near a scenic waterfall. Shourd told the New York Times last November that they stepped off an un-

marked dirt road, inadvertently crossing from Iraq into Iran only because a border guard of unknown nationality gestured for them to approach. She said they had no idea they were so close to the border. They all deny any espionage.

Shourd is back living in California. Bauer grew up in Minnesota and Fattal is from suburban Philadelphia.

"As soon as Shane gets out we're getting married," Shourd said. "We're not going to wait any longer

than we have to. I'm sure Shane is ready, I'm sure Josh is ready to be our best man, everyone is ready. It's been a long time in coming."

Freeing prisoners is common in Muslim countries during the holy month of Ramadan, which begins around Aug. 1 this year.

Iranian President Mah-

moud Ahmadinejad promised Shourd's release at the end of Ramadan last year, but Iran's judiciary held up her release for several days.

Hickey noted that Sunday's court date comes as Iran once again prepares for Ramadan.

"It's a time of compassion," she said.

## Former president, daughter, nephew convicted in Tunisia

Associated Press

TUNIS, Tunisia — Tunisia's deposed president, his daughter and son-in-law were sentenced in absentia to serve prison terms Thursday and ordered to pay \$100 million in damages for corruption in property deals.

Former President Zine El Abidine Ben Ali's nephew was also convicted of drug charges in Thursday's proceedings and sent to prison.

Ben Ali has already been convicted in absentia twice in Tunisians courts in recent weeks, for embezzlement and gun and drug smuggling. He fled to Saudi Arabia in January after a popular uprising against his autocratic, 23-year rule that sparked revolts around the Arab world.

In a third trial Thursday, Ben Ali was convicted of abuse of power and sentenced to 16 years in prison. He was accused in two different cases of intervening personally to secure property for his family members at prices well below market

value.

His daughter Nesrine and her husband Sakhr Materi were also convicted and sentenced to eight years and 16 years in prison, respectively. All three were collectively ordered to pay about \$100 million in damages and interest to the Tunisian state.

Ben Ali was not present for the trial. Saudi Arabia has not granted requests for his extradition.

Ben Ali faces more than 100 charges in civil and military cases, some of which could result in a death sentence, including his role in deaths during the uprisings. A Lebanese lawyer for Ben Ali has said his client is being unfairly targeted.

Ben Ali's nephew, Sofiene Ben Ali, appeared in court Thursday to face charges that his lawyers say are unfounded. He was sentenced to two years in prison and \$1,400 in fines.

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# Baby boomers worry about finances, health costs

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The “golden years” may lose some luster for many baby boomers worried about the financial pressures that come with age.

Many of the nation’s 77 million boomers are worried about being able to pay their medical bills as they get older, a new poll finds. The concern is so deep it outpaces worries about facing a major illness or disease, dying, or losing the ability to do favorite activities.

Another major concern among the boomers: losing their financial independence.

The struggling economy, a longer life expectancy, ever-increasing health care costs and challenges facing Social Security are putting added pressure on the boomers, those born between 1946 and 1964.

According to the Associated Press-LifeGoesStrong.com

poll, 43 percent of boomers polled said they were “very” or “extremely” worried about being able to pay for their medical costs, including long-term care. Almost the same number, 41 percent, said losing their financial independence was a big concern.

“I always say I am going to work until I’m in the ground,” said Ellie Krall of Manalapan, N.J., one of the boomers polled. “I don’t see myself being able to fully retire like people were able to do years ago.”

Krall, 50, manager of an orthopedic office and mother of an 18-year-old son in college, said she’s worried about paying for health care costs down the road and isn’t banking on Social Security.

The oldest boomers are turning 65 this year, but it’s the younger ones like Krall who might be feeling more apprehension.

“Boomers are not all cre-

ated equal,” said Olivia Mitchell, professor at the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania and executive director of the Pension Research Council.

Many older boomers still have a defined benefit pension plan, probably some decent retiree medical insurance and Social Security, said Mitchell, a boomer herself who has studied pensions and retirement extensively.

“The youngest boomers — the people who were born in the 60s — face more uncertainty about their pensions, their Social Security, their housing and their medical care,” Mitchell said.

Her advice: “Push your retirement back two or three or five years if you can. As long as you are still working then you’re not drawing down on your nest egg,” Mitchell said in an AP interview. “What most peo-

ple don’t realize is how expensive it is to live in retirement.”

Many people in their late 60s, and some into their 70s, are still working. According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, 29.1 percent of people aged 65 to 69 worked at least part-time last year. And almost 7 percent of people aged 75 or older were employed in 2010.

One significant cost facing new retirees is health care. A study by Fidelity Investments estimated that a 65-

year-old couple retiring this year with Medicare coverage would need \$230,000, on average, to cover medical expenses in retirement. The estimate factors in the federal program’s premiums, co-payments and deductibles, as well as out-of-pocket prescription costs.

The projection does not factor in long-term care, such as the cost of living in a nursing home — something most boomers in the Associated Press-LifeGoesStrong.com poll haven’t planned for yet.

Some 83 percent of boomers polled said they do not have long-term care insurance, a private policy that helps pay for nursing homes or in-home care costs not covered by Medicare.

Larry Plotkin, 60, of Wheeling, Ill., doesn’t have the insurance but said he and his wife have thought about it.

“The problem with it is that as you get older, the cost goes up,” said Plotkin. “At a certain point, it might not be worth it.”

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Stocks sink as stalemate over debt limit drags on

Associated Press

NEW YORK — A late sell-off wiped out the stock market's gains Thursday as the stalemate over raising the country's debt limit continued.

The market had been up for much of the day after an unexpected decrease in new applications for unemployment benefits. Stocks sank in the last half-hour of trading after Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid said that a bill to end the stalemate, proposed in the House of Representatives, would fail if it reached the Senate.

"That gave a catalyst for selling," said Quincy Krosby, market strategist at Prudential Financial.

The Dow has fallen five straight days because of worries the U.S. might default on its debt if Congress doesn't raise the country's borrowing limit. It's down more than 484 points, or 3.8

Market watch

Table showing market indices: Dow Jones Industrials (-62.44), Nasdaq composite (+1.46), Standard & Poor's 500 (-4.22), Russell 2000 (-1.19), NYSE diary (Advanced: 1,133, Declined: 1,861, Unchanged: 135), and Nasdaq diary (Advanced: 1,260, Declined: 1,291, Unchanged: 133).

Business HIGHLIGHTS

Applications for jobs aid drop below 400K

WASHINGTON — The number of people seeking unemployment benefits dropped last week to the lowest level since early April, a sign the job market may be healing after a recent slump.

The Labor Department said Thursday that weekly applications fell 24,000 to a seasonally adjusted 398,000. That's the first time applications have fallen below 400,000 in 16 weeks.

Contracts to buy homes rose in June

WASHINGTON — The number of people who signed contracts to buy homes rose for a second month in June. But the gain was not enough to signal a rebound in the weak housing market.

The National Association of Realtors reported Wednesday that its index of sales agreements for previously occupied homes rose 2.4 percent in June to a reading of 90.9. A reading of 100 is considered healthy by economists. The last time the index reached that level was in April 2010, the final month when buyers could qualify for a federal tax credit.

Contract signings are typically a reliable indicator of where the housing market is headed. That's because there's usually a one- to two-month lag between a sales contract and a completed deal.

won't have enough money to cover all of its bills.

Even if the U.S. doesn't default, investors worry the country might lose its triple-A credit rating. That could raise interest rates and possibly slow the U.S. economy, still recovering from the worst recession in decades.

"We're running out of time," said Phil Dow, director of equity strategy at RBC Wealth Management in Minneapolis. "It's getting scary." The chief executives of several of the country's largest banks sent a letter to the White House and to Congress urging a quick resolution. Bank of America Corp.'s Brian Moynihan, JPMorgan Chase & Co.'s Jamie Dimon, and Goldman Sachs Group Inc.'s Lloyd Blankfein and others warned Thursday the consequences of not acting would be grave for the economy, the job market, and for America's global economic leadership.

Big Oil reaps big profit in Q2 as fuel prices soar

WASHINGTON — Big Oil continued to make big money in the second quarter.

Industry giants Exxon Mobil and Royal Dutch Shell on Thursday reported a surge in earnings, helped by higher prices for oil. Even BP, still paying for the Gulf oil spill, made more than \$5 billion in the quarter.

The windfall drew jeers from environmental groups that oppose tax subsidies for the industry. They said it shows the industry doesn't need extra

help from the government, especially at a time when lawmakers need to chop billions of dollars from the budget.

Argus Research analyst Phil Weiss noted oil profits appear huge in comparison to almost any other industry, but are relatively tame when considering how expensive it is to extract oil from the ground. Exxon, for example, earned \$10.7 billion after taking in a whopping \$125.5 billion.

That's a profit margin of less than 10 percent, lower than margins for pharmaceutical, technology or service companies, Weiss said.

—From wire reports

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POSITIVE APPROACH

# Beverly Hills shows how to tackle blight

With Citrus County reeling from widespread home foreclosures, one group of civic-minded citizens has taken aim at the blight that's resulted from abandoned or unkempt prop-

erties. Earlier this year, the Beverly Hills Civic Association determined that yards with uncut grass, overgrown vegetation and broken

branches significantly detract from the quality of life in the community.

While others around the county have struggled with the same problem, the civic association put its finger on how to levy action: deed restrictions. Nearly all of Beverly Hills is deed restricted and, for those frustrated by unsightly properties, that's a great thing.

And the civic association's approach to addressing the issue is fair and balanced. Mike Colbert, the civic association's president, has noted that 20 properties were identified as being in need of sprucing up. The owners were contacted and six of them agreed to take care of yard

work. A contractor the association is working with is cleaning up 10 other properties, and with the owners of four properties who voiced objections about yard improvements, the civic association simply backed off, preferring to avoid hostilities. Sixteen out of 20 is a very respectable percentage — and not being heavy handed with the

others is wise diplomacy. Because of the deed restrictions, the Mow It program is able to use the threat of a lien to seek reimbursement for the modest fee being paid to the contractor. It's necessary for occupants to grant permission for work to be done, so civic association leaders are optimistic about receiving reimbursement, but aren't letting the risk undermine an overwhelmingly positive mission.

With the leadership of president Mike Colbert and Mow It program chairman Harvey Gerber, the Beverly Hills Civic Association is making a visibly positive difference in the community.

**THE ISSUE:**

Mow It program.

**OUR OPINION:**

Civic association takes bull by horns.

**Quiet!**

Hooray to the caller who asked why law enforcement wouldn't enforce the excessive noise laws. Unmuffled motorcycles and airboats, as well as car speakers, really make life unpleasant for the residents of Citrus County. It doesn't make sense that the wants of people so insecure that they need to shout, "Look at me," with their motors and CD players should be allowed to trample the rights of the rest of us, not to mention the wildlife here on the so-called Nature Coast.

I've asked the sheriff's department, the county commissioners, the county administrator and the sheriff himself to try to do something about the airboats that run on Lake Henderson day and night, and was essentially laughed at. I was told not enough people complain. So if you want a little peace and quiet, folks, let them know.

**Dismal future**

The economy of Citrus County is so poor, it's pitiful. And these county commissioners do not do anything about it. When are they going to start pushing and trying to get more light industry here or businesses here and keeping them here? In about five years from now, this county's going to dry up and blow away like the backwater county it is. There's not going to be no youth here. It's going to be all old people getting robbed and mugged and everything else.

They're renting out homes to derelicts and anything else that comes along with a couple of bucks in their pocket and their homes are being trashed, especially in Citrus Hills. Why don't

you come up and look around and see how much they've been robbed and ripped off?

**Not represented**

As a resident owner of five pieces of property in Citrus County, I would like our property appraiser to cease and desist using official county stationery or his official position with the county to influence the governor of Florida. I don't want a port, a strip mine, another nuclear power plant and more industry ruining what is left of the Nature Coast. Tell the people who live in King's Bay they have to slow down; it's not their own little personal water park. I could go on and on, but I don't want to waste your time with any more of this. There are probably a lot of other people who feel the same way I do.

**Do more than drink**

After reading the article on volunteering in Saturday's paper (July 23), I couldn't help but wonder why so many men and a handful of women choose to spend their afternoon sitting at a bar drinking and reminiscing about a past that's long gone. Why not spend that time constructively and volunteer at one of these wonderful organizations that need and want help so desperately.

They would feel so much better about themselves and begin to speak of the present and the future and they certainly would not be bored. At the end of the day, they would be walking tall and not staggering. And who knows — maybe they would lose their taste for alcohol and gain an appreciation for life and finally smell the roses.

# Obama must assert control

DOUGLAS COHN AND ELEANOR CLIFT

Other VOICES

Politics is leverage. It is President Teddy Roosevelt's "speak softly and carry a big stick," providing the president has a stick to carry. The Articles of Confederation failed not because politicians failed, but because the system failed. That is what ushered in the Constitution in 1787, a document that strengthened the federal government, and the presidency in particular. Now, America is facing another system crisis, a catastrophic event: default.

Republicans control the House of Representatives. Democrats control the Senate and White House — divided government that has become, in the words of President Obama, dysfunctional government. It is not the fault of the Right or Left. It is a test of the system. The nation became polarized, and who can blame a legislator for voting the way he or she was elected to vote, the way they promised to vote. Tea Party freshmen representatives in particular are tied to their vows, especially the vow of no new taxes. The problem is that polarization and vows have led to dysfunction and dysfunction is the absence of governing.

Can our constitutional form of strong executive government succeed? We are only days away

from the answer. President Obama has insisted that the debt burden cannot fall entirely upon the elderly, the sick, and the young, that it must be shared by the wealthy in the form of tax increases and loophole closures. House Republicans counter that enough is enough: no new taxes.

The president ran on a platform of conciliation and compromise. He believed that reasonable people could reasonably resolve their differences. He was wrong. Reasonable people can have irreconcilable differences. He now only has days to change his ways. President Lyndon Johnson convinced a difficult Congress to pass civil rights legislation, Medicare, and Medicaid, and he did not do it with friendly persuasion. He did it with an arsenal of big sticks. He had been majority leader of the Senate, and he knew his opponents' vulnerabilities. He did not say what he would like them to do. He wielded his big sticks and said, "Here is what you are going to do." He put the bully in bully pulpit.

President Obama also has his sticks, a large arsenal he has yet to tap. The nation is facing default. Congress has approved budgets that it cannot at present agree to fund. But since such an event was never before antici-

pated, there is no mechanism in place to allocate money when it is insufficient to cover all obligations. There seems to be an assumption that a shortfall would evenly affect all budget recipients, but this assumption is wrong. The president alone will be left to decide who gets paid and who does not. That is a very big stick. To use it, all he needs to do is call in various representatives, one at a time, and announce behind closed doors, "You demanded less government and massive budget cuts. I am pleased to inform you that your wish is coming true, but you are going to lose the next election. The question is whether you want to lose it because you broke your no new tax pledge or lose it because payments to your constituents and payments for projects under way in your district were dramatically reduced."

This Teddy Roosevelt/Lyndon Johnson approach may not have been what the Founding Fathers intended, but they did intend to create a strong executive. It is up to President Obama to decide if it remains so.

Douglas Cohn and Eleanor Clift author the Washington Merry-Go-Round column, founded in 1932 by Drew Pearson.



LETTERS to the Editor

**Residents ignored**

I had a sinking feeling in my stomach when I walked into the county commission meeting regarding the proposed RV park.

This time, the meeting occurred when half of our residents were gone for the summer. With many residents away, Mr. Eden rallied the business community to speak in his defense.

I spoke about the increased boat traffic — hundreds of canoes and kayaks will now have rental access to poor Lake Spivey and all of the adjoining lakes — and the possibility of accidents with airboats. I did not appreciate Mr. Webb ridiculing my comment. The *Chronicle* stated July 13 that Florida is No. 1 in boat mishaps in the nation, mostly small boats. There have already been two fatalities on this lake that I know of, without 400-plus more boats on the lake. Not so funny, is it Mr. Webb?

Many others spoke very eloquently about why this idea is bad for our lake system. These ideas were disregarded.

I still hope the commissioners will realize that changing the density of this area from lowest possible to highest possible is just as wrong now as it was five years ago. Mr. Eden made a few small changes, mostly in terminology. The only real difference is the commissioners, except for Mr. Damato.

The commissioners can still choose to not recommend this project. Mr. Kenney was unavailable due to illness, as were many who are vehemently opposed of this project.

I understand that Mr. Eden's grandfather donated precious land to the county for preservation of nature. That was a wonderful act. In one fell swoop, Mr. Eden wants to cash in on that

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act. How sad. No one wants to deprive him of a profit on his inherited land — just don't ruin the other residents' lives in the process is all we ask.

Suzanne Hurwitz  
Inverness

**Armchair jurors**

Before the dust settles (if it ever will), the rancor of America's resounding chorus mounts, continuing to respond with armchair deliberations to reach a just Casey Anthony verdict. Foregoing the rehashing of trial minutiae, only one critical question remains: Is Casey in any way complicit in the death of her daughter? The options: Not at all; a little; more than a little; or totally.

The defense mounted at least two divergent but unsubstantiated scenarios of Caylee's death: by accidental drowning and by implicating Casey's allegedly abusive father. Remarkably, this rhetoric, untenable as it was, muddled the jury, who, as if delirious, gave weight to it as bona fide subtexts toward possible acquittal.

Thus, to conclude "not at all" is to ignore the preponderance of the state's circumstantial evidence in every direction pointing to Casey. Yet the jury chose to settle on the safe and escapist option, as if nothing presented by the prosecution was concrete in determining guilt.

Most agree that this was not a case of inches, but with yards of suspicion, and on fundamentals alone, by connecting the dots, one can easily separate the wheat from the chaff.

The judge's instruction to the jury on the legalistic protocol of "reasonable doubt" might well have instilled in the jury's collective consciousness a device that meant that even a scintilla of doubt was enough to acquit.

On foundation, Casey never declared Caylee missing, lied afterward to investigators which impaired their searches, and parted gaily all the while, knowing her child not only was missing but with clear certainty that Caylee was dead.

These are the clinchers, along with the trace chloroform and duct-taped skull that completes the web of Casey's complicity beyond question. In the outcome, the jury was antithetical in their acquittal.

On the lighter side, one explanation was that the jury was stricken with amnesia.

Sam Raffa  
Citrus Springs

# Floral City 19-year-old sentenced on sex charges

## Faces lifetime sex offender registration

**SHEMIR WILES**  
Staff Writer

INVERNESS — A Floral City man accused of having sex with a 13-year-old girl was sentenced to 15 years in prison Thursday, suspended upon serving 11 months and 29 days in jail followed by completing 10 years of sex offender probation.

Curtis Sterling, 19, entered into an open plea and accepted the court's offer

Thursday morning on three felony charges of lewd and lascivious battery and a misdemeanor charge of criminal mischief in an unrelated case.

According to his arrest report, a 13-year-old Floral City girl told law enforcement in October that she and Sterling had engaged in sexual activity twice. Sterling reportedly admitted to having sex with the girl but said the activity was consensual.

Circuit Judge Ric Howard said the reason for a downward departure from the sentencing guidelines in Sterling's case had to do with



**Curtis Sterling**

the fact the girl was a willing participant. Assistant State Attorney Brian Trehy said he had explained the court's offer to the girl's guardian and though they chose not to be present for the sentencing, they understood the offer.

In addition, Howard stated Sterling would be electronically monitored while on probation and be considered a sex offender. He will also be subjected to lifetime sex offender registration and other restrictions.

*Chronicle reporter Shemir Wiles can be reached at (352) 564-2924 or swiles@chronicleonline.com.*

# Sheriff's office seeks to FOCUS on education



Special to the Chronicle

The Citrus County Sheriff's Office is hoping to fill its two SRO cars full of school supplies on Saturday at Walmart Supercenter in Inverness.

## Officers to be on hand at Walmart Saturday

*Special to the Chronicle*

Saturday, July 30, school resource officers with the Citrus County Sheriff's Office will FOCUS on education and fill the agency's two Filtering Out Crime United with Students (FOCUS) cars with much-needed school supplies for deserving students.

SROs will have their Chevy Camaro and Dodge Magnum in the parking lot

of the Walmart Supercenter, at 2851 E. Gulf-to-Lake Highway, ready to receive donations before school officially starts on Aug. 8.

From 8 a.m. to noon, the Sheriff's Office will team up with the Citrus County School District and Walmart to FOCUS on education and make sure every schoolchild, regardless of family finances, has the tools he or she needs to be successful in the classroom.

Items such as pens, notebooks, erasers, glue sticks, highlighters, pencils, crayons, loose-leaf paper, backpacks, tissues, rulers and more are much appreciated.

Last year, SROs held a "Stuff the Duck!" event where donated school supplies were packed into the agency's amphibious armored personnel carrier, known affectionately as "The Duck."

# Utilities slates maintenance work on pipes in Citrus Springs

*Special to the Chronicle*

Citizens may notice Citrus County Utility employees on the roads in Citrus Springs and Pine Ridge over the coming months. Don't be alarmed, there is nothing wrong with the water system. These employees are performing the county's valve maintenance program. The Utility Division is actively in

the process of locating, marking, and exercising water valves in these two communities. Other county-owned systems will follow shortly.

Valves must be "exercised" (opened and closed) routinely, as part of a proactive maintenance program. Ensuring that water main valves are functional is essential to maintaining good water quality, assuring valves are left in

their full open position so that we provide adequate flows for customers and the local fire departments, as well as to be able to quickly isolate leaks during occasional line breaks.

Staff will continue to exercise these valves on a scheduled basis to ensure their dependability.

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## State BRIEFS

### Two accused of attacking pilot

MIAMI — A man punched an American Airlines pilot who kicked him off a flight from Miami, and he and his brother then attacked the pilot again before bystanders tackled the brothers in the terminal, officials said Thursday.

Jonathan and Luis Baez, both of Las Piedras, Puerto Rico, were arrested at Miami International Airport. They had been aboard American Airlines Flight 1755 bound for San Francisco on Wednesday night, according to an arrest affidavit.

While the plane taxied away from the gate, a flight attendant noticed 27-year-old Jonathan Baez was sleeping and had not buckled his seat belt, police said. She tried to wake him, but she told police that Baez was unresponsive.

The pilot turned the plane around and returned to gate D51.

The pilot and flight attendant then woke up Baez and told him to get off the plane, police said.

Luis Baez, 29, decided to join his brother as he was being escorted off the plane. As the brothers walked toward the aircraft's exit door, they became belligerent, and Luis Baez told the pilot, "When you fly to San Juan I will have you killed," according to the arrest report.

The brothers walked off the plane, but then Jonathan Baez returned and punched the pilot in the face and hit the flight attendant in the shoulder when she tried to intervene, police said.

Both brothers attacked the pilot again in the jet bridge and chased him in the terminal, ac-

ording to the arrest report.

Other flight crew members and passengers held down the brothers until police arrived.

### Officials: Quit stealing stop signs

GAINESVILLE — Officials in Gainesville have a message for residents and visitors. Please stop stealing stop signs.

Since Jan. 1, the city has replaced 52 stop signs taken

from 14 locations around the city. Officials said one location has been hit four or five times.

City officials said it costs about \$100 to replace a stop sign.

With classes set to resume soon at the University of Florida, city officials are concerned about the possibility of an increased number of accidents.

— From wire reports

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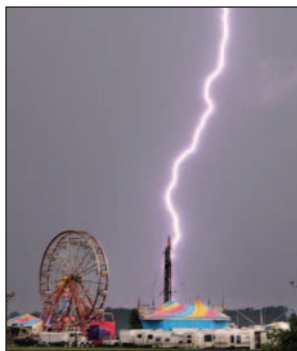
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**Nation BRIEFS**

**Lightning bolt**



Associated Press  
A lightning bolt strikes near the Dubuque County Fair Wednesday night during a storm in Dubuque, Iowa. Dubuque County was under a tornado warning Wednesday night.

**Bill filed to honor soldiers**

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. — A U.S. congressman filed legislation Thursday that could make two soldiers who were shot outside a military recruiting station in Arkansas eligible for the Purple Heart. Republican Rep. Tim Griffin of Arkansas said the soldiers, Pvt. William Andrew Long and Pvt. Quinton Ezeagwula, should be treated as if they were in a combat zone. That would mean Long, who died in the 2009 shooting, and Ezeagwula, who still has shrapnel in his body, would qualify for the military honor. The Army has said the young men don't merit the award, which is usually reserved for U.S. troops wounded or killed in combat.

**World BRIEF**

**S. Korea flood**



Associated Press  
Vehicles are submerged in floodwater after heavy rain in Seoul, South Korea, Thursday. Thousands of rescuers used heavy machinery and shovels Thursday to clear mud and search for survivors after huge landslides and flooding killed more than 40 people in South Korea.

**Rains may have shifted land mines**

SEOUL, South Korea — South Korea's military warned Thursday that buried land mines may have slid down mountains eroded by flooding rains this week as the death toll from the torrential downpours rose to at least 57. Massive rainfall since Tuesday has severely disrupted life in Seoul — which has more than 10 million people — and surrounding areas, submerging streets filled with idled cars, flooding subway stations and forcing businesses to shut. The rain stopped or decreased Thursday, but more was forecast until Friday morning. At least 57 people have died due to rain-induced landslides, flooding and accidents related to the precipitation, officials said. At least 12 people were confirmed missing. The Korea Meteorological Administration said that Wednesday's rainfall in Seoul of 12 inches was the biggest one-day amount in the capital since 1998 and the third highest ever. At a mountain in Seoul where a deadly slide hit Wednesday, the Defense Ministry said mines placed there in the 1960s could have shifted. Soldiers with metal detectors were waiting to search for the mines. An official said 10 mines could have been pushed down Wumyeon Mountain in southern Seoul.

—From wire reports

## Soldier planned Fort Hood attack

Associated Press

KILLEEN, Texas — An AWOL soldier who had weapons stashed in a motel room near Fort Hood has admitted planning an attack on the Texas post, where 13 people died in 2009 in the worst mass shooting ever on a U.S. military installation, the Army said in an alert issued Thursday.



Naser Abdo

Pfc. Naser Abdo, a 21-year-old soldier granted conscientious objector status this year after he said his Muslim beliefs prevented him from fighting, was arrested Wednesday. Agents found firearms and "items that could be identified as bomb-making compo-

nents, including gunpowder," in his motel room, according to FBI spokesman Erik Vasys.

The Army alert sent via email and obtained by The Associated Press said Killeen police arrested Abdo after a tip from the owners of a gun shop and that he "was in possession of a large quantity of ammunition, weapons and a bomb inside a backpack."

Upon questioning, the alert says, he admitted planning an attack on Fort Hood.

Officials have not offered details about Abdo's possible intentions. The infantry soldier from Fort Campbell, Ky., whose hometown is Garland, Texas, applied for conscientious objector status last year. A military review board recommended this spring that he be separated from the Army. The discharge was delayed after

Abdo was charged with possessing child pornography. Fort Campbell civilian spokesman Bob Jenkins said Abdo "was fully aware that he was being investigated for possessing child pornography since November 2010."

A military hearing last month recommended he be court-martialed; he went absent without leave during the Fourth of July holiday weekend.

Abdo told an AP reporter a week later that he was concerned about his safety and had considered purchasing a gun for protection, but had not yet done so.

The military's criminal investigation division, along with the federal Joint Terrorism Task Force, also investigated Abdo earlier this year after he was flagged for making unspecified anti-American comments while taking a language class in April.

## Phone users unlikely winners in debt crisis

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The debt ceiling battle could produce an unlikely winner: smartphone users.

Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid's current plan would direct the Federal Communications Commission to auction off highly valuable radio spectrum to wireless carriers desperate for more airwaves. Companies such as AT&T and T-Mobile USA say they need more capacity to keep up as their customers increasingly use iPhones, tablets and other portable devices to handle mobile applications, on-line video and other bandwidth-hungry services.

The plan could generate critical revenue for a government spending beyond its means. Congressional budget officials estimate the auctions would raise \$13.1 billion for deficit reduction.

Reid's proposal would also deliver a big victory to public safety officials: It would set aside airwaves and money for the construction of a nationwide wireless broadband network that would let police officers, firefighters and emergency medical workers communicate with each other across agencies and jurisdictions.

"Spectrum auctions are a win-win-win," said Tim Doyle, a spokesman for the Consumers Electronics Association.

But the proposal still faces significant hurdles. A competing debt ceiling plan from House Speaker John Boehner, which will be voted on Thursday, contains nothing on wireless spectrum auctions. Boehner's focus is on spending cuts, not finding new sources of revenue. What's more, Reid's proposal has run into major opposition from television broadcasters, which are under pressure to give up spectrum that would be sold to wireless carriers.

The haggling over wireless spectrum auctions comes as Congress rushes to try to agree on a plan to stave off an unprecedented U.S. default on its debt, which could have catastrophic consequences for the global economy. The Treasury Department has warned that the government will run out of money to pay its bills after Aug. 2 if Congress does not raise the debt ceiling. Reid and Boehner are pushing competing proposals to lift the debt limit and slash spending.

No matter how the current fight plays out, many in Washington see spectrum auctions as an attractive way to chip away at the federal deficit.

Stifel Nicolaus analyst David Kaut, for one, says spectrum auction legislation has a good shot of passage in Congress — whether it is part of the current debt ceiling package, a deficit reduction measure down the road or even a stand-alone bill.

"You have wireless pressures, budget pressures and public safety pressures," Kaut said.

Reid's proposal would give the FCC authority to auction off airwaves voluntarily relinquished by government agencies such as the Pentagon and television broadcasters with extra spectrum. It would allow broadcasters to share in the auction proceeds.

## Battle amid famine



Associated Press

Four-year-old Said Nor, a malnourished child from southern Somalia, sits in camp in Mogadishu, Somalia, Thursday. Heavy fighting erupted Thursday in Somalia's capital as African Union peacekeepers launched an offensive aimed at protecting famine relief efforts from attacks by al-Qaida-linked militants, officials said. The al-Shabab militants already have killed men who tried to escape the famine with their families, saying it is better to starve than accept help from the West.

### African Union fights militants to aid famine refugees

Associated Press

MOGADISHU, Somalia — African Union troops fought house-to-house battles with militants Thursday to clear space for aid groups bringing in food supplies after intelligence reports showed insurgents reinforcing for a possible attack on squalid camps of famine refugees.

Heavy fighting erupted on the line of control between the government side and territory held by al-Shabab, Somalia's dominant militant group.

At least six people were killed. The AU troops also paid a heavy price, with one official saying 19 were wounded, and some of them were put on an ambulance jet bound for Kenya.

Somalia's famine is unfolding in the middle of a war zone, greatly complicating international efforts to prevent a wave of death. Some 2.2 million people live in an inaccessible famine zone controlled by the al-Qaida-linked al-Shabab.

Thursday's house-to-house fighting was only 2 1/2 miles from the nearest famine refugee camp, said Lt. Col. Paddy Ankunda, spokesman for the African Union peacekeeping force.

The offensive, he said, was to ensure the city streets are safe for aid groups to get humanitarian supplies to the more than 20,000 famine refugees that have arrived in Mogadishu this month alone.

"The agencies have been trying to deliver. Unfortunately, al-Shabab has been bent on ensuring this aid does not reach the people," Ankunda said. "This operation is about the delivery of humanitarian aid."

Al-Shabab's decision last week to rescind permission allowing aid groups to operate in areas under militant control has denied hundreds of thousands of Somalis access to food aid, he said.

Ankunda added that al-Shabab has sent 300 reinforcement fighters to Mogadishu in recent days.

Refugees have said militants already killed men who tried to flee

famine-hit regions of Somalia with their families, saying it is better to starve than accept help from the West.

Thursday's battle was a "short, tactical offensive operation," Ankunda said.

"This action will further increase security ... and ensure that aid agencies can continue to operate to get vital supplies to internally displaced," he said.

Mogadishu resident Mohamed Hussein said al-Shabab fighters had withdrawn shortly after the offensive began.

"We have captured most of the bases we attacked ... and our troops are still chasing them," said Abdullahi Ali Anod, a Somali military commander.

Troops from the African Union Mission in Somalia, known as AMISOM, have been eroding al-Shabab's territory all year. Ankunda said the government now controls more than 60 percent of Mogadishu, up from around 40 percent at the beginning of the year.

## Post office closures would make hikes harder

Associated Press

RALEIGH, N.C. — Hiking the nearly 2,200-mile Appalachian Trail already is grueling, and the U.S. Postal Service may make it even tougher. A plan to close rural post offices could shutter several outposts long used by hikers to receive food and gear as they walk the trail from Georgia to Maine.

Closing the post offices in Fontana Dam, N.C.; Glenclyff, N.H.; and Caratunk, Maine, would leave hikers without an easy way to get food and switch out equipment at critical points during their treks, which usually take between four and six months. Those key locations and some others

near the trail are being reviewed for closure, though no final decision has been made.

"I'm trying to do this without spending much money. Getting supplied at the post office is a big part of that. It's like a lifeline," said Mike Healy, a 26-year-old Chicago resident who is hiking the trail with friends.

In mid-March, he tore into a package mailed to the western North Carolina post office before he headed into the Great Smoky Mountains National Park.

"The night before we reached Fontana, four of us split a small box of dried ceiling real because that was all the food we had left," Healy said in a phone interview from Maine. "We were glad

to know we'd be able to get our package the following day."

More than 3,600 local offices, branches and stations could be on the chopping block as the financially troubled U.S. Postal Service considers closing 1 in 10 of its retail outlets to save money. Each place will be studied, and people served by the location will be able to make a case for keeping it open.

About 3 million people spend time on the trail every year and some 2,000 set out to "thru-hike" — or complete the trek in one season, according to the Appalachian Trail Conservancy. Most travel north from Springer Mountain in Georgia to Mount Katahdin

in Maine.

The threat of closures along the Appalachian Trail is mirrored in the West for thousands who traverse sections of the 2,650-mile Pacific Crest Trail, which runs from Mexico to Canada. At least three rural post offices along the route are being considered for closure in California and Washington, including the last stop before Canada: Stehekin, Wash. The wilderness community is reachable only by boat, floatplane or on foot.

Backpackers would have to carry many more pounds of food between stops, which would make the trip more difficult and less enjoyable, said Heather Tiltet, a 28-year-old from New York who hiked the trail last year.

■ Waltrip recalls fond memories at Bristol Motor Speedway./B2



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## Back on course

### Woods to play next week at Firestone; Bell will be his caddie

Associated Press

JACKSONVILLE — Tiger Woods finally gets back to golf next week at the Bridgestone Invitational, ending an 11-week break to heal injuries to his left leg.

Woods used his website to announce his return on Thursday. He posted on his Twitter account that he's "feeling fit and ready to tee it up at Firestone next week. Excited to get back out there!"

It marks the third-longest layoff of his career, only this time Woods returns with as much uncertainty about his future as ever. Along with questions about the strength of his left knee and Achilles, Woods embarks on his latest comeback with a different caddie, and without guarantees he will be eligible for more than two weeks.

Woods last month fired Steve Williams, who caddied for Adam Scott at the U.S. Open, then angered his boss by working for the Australian again at the AT&T National without seeking permission.

The Golf Channel reported Thursday night that Bryon Bell, a childhood friend and president of Tiger Woods Design, would caddie for him at

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## Bradley fired as U.S. soccer head coach

Associated Press

Amid concerns that progress had stalled during his tenure, Bob Bradley has been fired as coach of the U.S. men's national team.

In a surprising announcement Thursday, U.S. Soccer President Sunil Gulati said Bradley had been relieved of his duties.

"We want to thank Bob Bradley for his service and dedication to U.S. Soccer during the past five years," Gulati said in a statement. "During his time as the head coach of our men's national team he led the team to a number of accomplishments, but we felt now was the right time for us to make a change. It is always hard to make these decisions, especially when it involves someone we respect as much as Bob. We wish him the best in his future endeavors."

Bradley was chosen as coach in January 2007, winning 43 matches, losing 25 and drawing 12. He led the team to the round of 16 of the 2010 World Cup in South Africa.

But the United States is coming off a poor showing in the Gold Cup tournament, including a stunning 2-1 loss to Panama and an embarrassing 4-2 loss in the final against Mexico.

The dismissal comes nearly a year after Bradley was given a contract extension to continue coaching the team through 2014, the year of the next World Cup in Brazil.

But even as Bradley was given a new deal, there were concerns that the team had hit its ceiling.

## Browne's eagles give him U.S. Senior Open lead

### Lee leads Women's Open; Immelman tops at Greenbrier

Associated Press

TOLEDO, Ohio — Olin Browne has circled the globe playing professional golf for the past 27 years. He knows it takes a lot more than 18 holes and a lucky shot to win a major championship.

"Are you ready to give me the trophy today?" he asked an observer who wondered why he was

so nonchalant about leading the U.S. Senior Open by two shots. "That's why."

Browne eagled two holes in a five-hole span coming down the stretch and finished with a 7-under 64 Thursday to take the top spot on a hot and humid day at Inverness Club.

Browne, a three-time winner on the PGA Tour in his third year on the over-50 circuit, was 1 under on the day and four shots off the lead as he came to the third hole, his 12th. After birdieing it, he hit a hybrid-3 from 216 yards that came to rest 6 feet from the pin at the fourth. He rolled that putt in for an eagle.

He followed that with a par and a birdie. His second eagle was far

### Senior U.S. Open par scores

■ For all of Thursday's scores from the Senior U.S. Open, please see PAGE B4

more dramatic.

Browne, tied for third a year ago at the U.S. Senior Open, had 97 yards left as he prepared for his third shot on the par-5 8th. His wedge covered the flag, then spun back into the cup as he cast a stunned look at caddie Otis Moore.

"The key to hitting that shot in was, first of all, you've got to get super lucky," he said, a white towel over his shoulders to sop up the

perspiration. "You've also got to hit the right distance — the wind was up and down. I managed to hit it and guess the wind properly."

Over the six holes numbered 3 through 8, he went 6 under, and picked up five shots on par in a span of five holes.

The 64 tied for the lowest first round ever at a U.S. Senior Open, matching Bruce Fleisher (2000), R.W. Eaks (2002) and Craig Stadler (2005).

Even though Browne had never gone lower since turning 50, he's flirted with low scores in the premier Seniors event in the U.S. before. He has had closing rounds of

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## Marching orders



Associated Press

The Miami Dolphins finalized a trade for New Orleans saints running back Reggie Bush on Thursday by negotiating a new two-year contract for nearly \$10 million with him, a person familiar with the talks said.

## Saints RB Bush taking his talents to Miami

### Ochocinco, Haynesworth to Pats; Kolb traded

Associated Press

There goes Albert Haynesworth, heading from Mike Shanahan's Redskins to Bill Belichick's Patriots — where he'll be joined by New England's other big pickup Thursday: Chad Ochocinco.

Reggie Bush? The Saints sent him to the Dolphins. And the Kevin Kolb saga ended the way pretty much everyone expected, with a trade from the Eagles to the Cardinals.

NFL clubs made a move a minute Thursday — and those big-name deals were only the beginning.

Day 3 of the compressed, post-lockout offseason also included more contract agreements and plenty of cuts, which teams were finally allowed to start announcing at 4:01 p.m. ET. Among the players getting released were Vince Young by the Titans, Nate Clements by the 49ers, and Jake Delhomme by the Browns.

In the first dramatic example of how the new labor deal's rookie salary system will affect elite players, No. 2 overall draft pick Von Miller got \$21 million guaranteed over four years from the Denver Broncos. The No. 2 pick in 2010, Detroit Lions defensive lineman Ndamukong Suh, signed a five-year deal worth \$40 million guaranteed and as much as \$68 million overall.

Broncos football chief John Elway tweeted, "We have agreed to terms with our 1st round pick, LB Von Miller. Can't wait to get him on the field."

### Bucs high draft picks report to camp

Associated Press

TAMPA — Tampa Bay Buccaneers first-round draft pick Adrian Clayborn is ready to play catch-up at his first NFL training camp.

The defensive end arrived Thursday on the Bucs' reporting day, one day ahead of the team's first workout.

Tampa Bay signed Clayborn, defensive end Da'Quan Bowers (second round) and linebacker Mason Foster (third round) in advance of camp.

"The money and contract were important, but I just want to play," Clayborn said. "It was important to be here on time and get ready for football."

Clayborn said he is a couple months behind due to the lockout that ended this week and it will be important to learn the playbook.

"You can't play fast unless you know the playbook," Clayborn said. "Things have changed from the last playbook that they gave

me, so I've got to get after it."

The former Iowa star is expected to contribute right away on a young defensive line that also features tackle Gerald McCoy, the No. 3 overall pick a year ago.

McCoy is coming off a left biceps injury and said he weighed in at 296 pounds this week, a drop of 14 pounds during the off-season. His main advice for the rookie linemen is simple: Eliminate stress.

"Half of my rookie season was just stress," McCoy said. "Just have fun playing the game because you don't have it for long."

Foster's quick agreement increased speculation that veteran middle linebacker Barrett Ruud has played his last game for the Bucs.

"I just want to come in and compete," Foster said. "During the lockout, I was working as hard as possible getting ready for this day and now it's here. It's going to be tough, but I'm ready to learn."

The man widely regarded as the best available player in free agency, Nnamdi Asomugha, didn't pick a team yet. But another top cornerback, Johnathan Joseph, agreed to terms with the Houston Texans, according to a person with knowledge of the deal, who spoke to The Associated Press on condition of anonymity because the signing hadn't been announced.

Belichick has had success reining in outspoken, do-it-my-way players such as receiver Randy Moss, and now New England's coach gets two more guys who fit that description in defensive tackle Haynesworth and receiver Ochocinco.

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## Lochte beats Phelps

### Former Gator sets new world record in 200 IM

Associated Press

SHANGHAI — Michael Phelps knew it would take a world record to win the 200-meter individual medley at the world championships. He just thought it would come from him.

Instead, Phelps found himself on the losing end of a close finish Thursday, watching teammate Ryan Lochte celebrate the first world record set since high-tech bodysuits were banned 1½ years ago.

It was Phelps' second straight loss to his good friend, who had beaten the 14-time Olympic gold medalist in the 200 freestyle two nights earlier.

"They both sort of told me the same thing, I need to be in better shape," Phelps said. "If I want to be faster the work has to be there and it has to be there consistently."

Lochte sprinted to the wall in 1 minute, 54.00 seconds, then pumped his right arm before clasping hands with Phelps in the next lane. He lowered his old mark set two years ago in Rome by a tenth of a second.

"One word describes that race — yeah!" Lochte said, using his favorite made-up expression.

Phelps checked his time of 1:54.16, then slid over the lane rope in front of Lochte and made his way out of the pool. Hungary's Laszlo Cseh took the bronze in 1:57.69.

"We're usually on the other end of the close ones," said Bob Bowman, Phelps' coach.

The final was virtually a match race between Phelps and Lochte, with Phelps leading the opening butterfly leg by six-hundredths of a second. Lochte took over on the backstroke leg and held a narrow lead through the finish.

Phelps outsplit Lochte by 0.13 seconds on the closing freestyle leg.

"I thought I had it on the last stroke," said Phelps, who glided into the wall. "After thinking about it, I probably could have rushed another stroke in there and maybe gotten to the wall faster."

Before Lochte's 2009 world record, Phelps had set the previous eight world records in the event dating to June 2003.

"I knew a world record was going to win that race," Phelps said. "It says something that we're still able to do those times."

Lochte set two world records at short-course worlds in Dubai in December, the only other individual marks set during the last 19 months, a stretch in which he has been the dominant American swimmer.



Ryan Lochte

# Boogity! Boogity! Boogity!

## Hall of Famer Waltrip loved dominating at Bristol

Associated Press

FRANKLIN, Tenn. — Darrell Waltrip has one regret from his Hall of Fame racing career. He never made a bumper sticker to sum up his domination at Bristol Motor Speedway.

And he knows what he would've put out on it.

"Follow me in Tennessee," Waltrip said with a laugh. "I'm from Nashville, and people knew me at the Fairgrounds. But when you went to Bristol, that was a place I wanted everybody to follow me, and based on all these numbers I didn't realize I had compiled, I did a pretty good job of it."

That might be an understatement.

Of his 84 career victories, Waltrip won seven straight and 12 overall at Bristol, the most by any driver at the bullring of a track in upper East Tennessee. The late Dale Earnhardt, Rusty Wallace and Hall of Famer Cale Yarborough are tied with nine apiece.

Bristol is the half-mile track where drivers rub and race, bumping someone out of the way to run to victory. Tempers boil over so much that Waltrip quips that drivers have to take numbers to report to the NASCAR hauler for discipline.

The racing might look slow compared to a superspeedway such as Talladega, but Waltrip swears Bristol is faster than it looks.

"I owned that joint," said Waltrip, who was voted into the Hall of Fame in June.

He sat down recently at his car dealership to recall some of his favorite memories to help commemorate the 50th anniversary at Bristol, where the first race run was July 30, 1961. Waltrip ran his first race there in 1973 in his own car and finished 30th. His last win came in 1992, also in his own car.

He credits his success at the track to his ability to think his way through the 43 cars crammed onto it, finding enough room between packs to give him space to avoid being collected in crashes. A photographic memory also helped on a track where the banks on the curves are so high that drivers can't see that far ahead.

Waltrip's favorite part of Bristol? Racing right next to the wall after cars had worn down a fast groove up near the edge of the track.

"That was thrilling. It was like a high-speed roller-coaster ride," he said. "The track had some bumps in it. The car would bounce around, and you'd work the wheel, back in the gas and



Associated Press

Former NASCAR driver Darrell Waltrip talks in his Franklin, Tenn., office about his memories of driving at Bristol Motor Speedway in Bristol, Tenn. Of his 84 career victories, Waltrip won seven straight and 12 overall at Bristol, which still stands as the most by any driver. Behind Waltrip is a photo of him following one of those wins.

off in the corner. As the guys say today ... the track had character."

He started 52 races at Bristol and finished in the top five 26 times with 32 total top-10s. There were only five races he didn't finish.

Waltrip attributes his success to the lessons he learned at other short tracks and especially the Fairgrounds in Nashville, another short track with high banks that hosted NASCAR races until 1984.

"That was a big advantage I had then," Waltrip said.

He already had won twice at Bristol when the pressure was ratcheted up in 1981 after Hall of Famer Junior Johnson signed him as his driver over Earnhardt. Comparing the pressure of being hired by Johnson to a football player getting the chance to play for Bear Bryant or Joe Paterno, Waltrip said he didn't want to disappoint his new boss.

He didn't. They won their first race together at Bristol, the first of those seven straight, and Waltrip learned a few new tricks about a track he thought he already knew well.

"There's guys right now that'll tell you I'd just like to finish seven in a row because that's one of the most difficult tracks there is to run," Waltrip said. "That's 3,500 laps of, I won't say perfection because there were probably some things that happened in there that weren't perfect, but at the end of the day that's 3,500 laps of driving at a track that is unquestionably the most difficult on the circuit."

For all his success, the man nicknamed Jaws because of how much he talked wasn't very popular at times.

"I told Kurt Busch and Kyle both we have something in common. I've been booed by the entire grandstand before, too. The difference between me and you, there was only 30,000 here when they booed me, and there's 100,000 here when they boo you so big difference," Waltrip said.

His strongest memory from Bristol is the race he lost in 1984 to snap his string of seven straight wins. The man who can't remember all of his 84 wins knows he should have won that race because he had the best car on the track.

"I may have even had a lap on the field. I came down in the pits for a pit stop, and when I popped the clutch, the gear broke. And we had to go behind the wall and change the gear. That was the one that got away," Waltrip said.

That likely makes up for Aug. 23, 1983, when he stole a win from Earnhardt. He had been chasing Earnhardt all night long after a rain delay. With lightning nearby, Waltrip said Johnson told him he better beat Earnhardt in and out of the pits on a caution if he wanted to win.

Waltrip said he hit pit road going faster than he wanted, hit water near his pit box and got sideways before sliding to a perfect stop in his pit for a quick tire change. He beat Earnhardt out for the first time all night.

"As we go into the third turn, it starts raining and it rains the race out. They didn't finish the race, and I won. He was livid. He wanted to fight. He was mad as a hornet," Waltrip said.

Waltrip's confidence heading to Bristol grew early when he heard Richard Petty and Bobby Allison on a Knoxville radio station complain about how the race was too long with no passing and felt like racing in a bowl. He realized he could win with a positive attitude and decided then to talk about

how much he loved the high banks and wished the race went 1,000 laps.

"All through my career that was sort of my philosophy," Waltrip said.

"I always thought I was better than the other guys, always thought I could beat the other guys. Bristol is the ultimate proving ground. It's the ultimate track to prove how tough you are, how good you are, how smart you are because everything happens at Bristol happens so much quicker than everywhere else."

### Points LEADERS

#### Sprint Cup

1. Carl Edwards, 652.
2. Jimmie Johnson, 645.
3. Kurt Busch, 641.
4. Kevin Harvick, 637.
5. Kyle Busch, 632.
6. Matt Kenseth, 626.
7. Jeff Gordon, 587.
8. Ryan Newman, 586.
9. Dale Earnhardt Jr., 577.
10. Denny Hamlin, 570.
- (tie) Tony Stewart, 570.
12. Clint Bowyer, 542.
13. David Ragan, 524.
14. Kasey Kahne, 523.
- (tie) Greg Biffle, 523.
16. A.J. Allmendinger, 515.
17. Juan Pablo Montoya, 511.
18. Joey Logano, 510.
19. Paul Menard, 506.
20. Mark Martin, 500.

#### Nationwide

1. Johnny Sauter, 431.
2. Austin Dillon, 413.
3. James Buescher, 389.
4. Cole Whitt, 388.
5. Timothy Peters, 384.
6. Matt Crafton, 377.
7. Parker Kligerman, 373.
8. Joey Coulter, 366.
9. Ron Hornaday Jr., 362.
10. Todd Bodine, 350.
11. Brendan Gaughan, 346.
12. Nelson Piquet Jr., 334.
13. David Starr, 327.
14. Jason White, 319.
15. Max Papis, 317.
16. Ricky Carmichael, 315.
17. Justin Lofton, 311.
18. Miguel Paludo, 302.
19. Clay Rogers, 284.
20. Justin Marks, 276.

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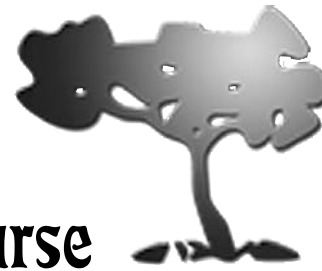
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## AROUND THE TRACKS

### NASCAR SPRINT CUP BRICKYARD 400

- **Site:** Indianapolis.
- **Schedule:** Friday, practice (Speed, 1-4:30 p.m.); Saturday, practice (ESPN2, 10-11:30 a.m.), qualifying (ESPN2, 2-4:30 p.m.); Sunday, race, 1 p.m. (ESPN, noon-5 p.m.)
- **Track:** Indianapolis Motor Speedway (oval, 2.5 miles).
- **Race distance:** 400 miles, 160 laps.
- **Last year:** Jamie McMurray became the third driver to win the Daytona 500 and Brickyard 400 in the same year. Kevin Harvick was second.
- **Last race:** Ryan Newman raced to his first victory of the year, holding off boss and teammate Tony Stewart on July 17 at New Hampshire Motor Speedway.
- **Fast facts:** Carl Edwards leads the season standings, seven points ahead of five-time defending champion Jimmie Johnson. ... Tony Stewart, from Indiana, won the 2005 and 2007 races. ... Jeff Gordon has a series-

high four victories at the track. ... Juan Pablo Montoya won the 2000 Indianapolis 500. ... Scott Speed is attempting to qualify in Max Q Motorsports' No. 37 car.

- **Next race:** Pennsylvania 500, Aug. 7, Pocono Raceway, Long Pond, Pa.

### NATIONWIDE KROGER 200

- **Site:** Clermont, Ind.
- **Schedule:** Saturday, practice (ESPN2, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.), qualifying (ESPN2, 4:30-5:30 p.m.), race, 7:30 p.m. (ESPN, 7-10 p.m.)
- **Track:** Lucas Oil Raceway (oval, 0.686 miles).
- **Race distance:** 137.2 miles, 200 laps.
- **Last year:** Kyle Busch raced to the eighth of his record 13 series victories, holding off Carl Edwards. Busch also won at the track in 2004 and 2008.
- **Last week:** Edwards raced to his fifth victory of the year and fifth series win at Nashville Superspeedway. Roush Fenway teammate Ricky Stenhouse Jr. was second.

- **Fast facts:** Busch won two weeks ago at New Hampshire to tie Mark Martin for the series record with 49 victories and become the third driver to win 100 races in NASCAR's three national series.
- **Next race:** U.S. Cellular 250, Aug. 6, Iowa Speedway, Newton, Iowa.

### CAMPING WORLD TRUCKS

#### AAA INSURANCE 200

- **Site:** Clermont, Ind.
- **Schedule:** Friday, practice, qualifying (Speed, 4:30-5:30 p.m.), race, 7-10 p.m. (Speed, 7-10 p.m.)
- **Track:** Lucas Oil Raceway (oval, 0.686 miles).
- **Race distance:** 137.2 miles, 200 laps.
- **Last year:** Ron Hornaday Jr. raced to his fourth win at the track, leading 129 laps. He has won the race the last two years and three of the last four.
- **Last week:** Austin Dillon won at Nashville Superspeedway, passing points leader Johnny Sauter with 23 laps left. Sauter finished second.

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**Spotlight on PEOPLE**

**Trebek injured chasing burglar**

SAN FRANCISCO — "Jeopardy!" host Alex Trebek is scheduled for surgery after he snapped his Achilles tendon while running after a woman who he says stole cash and other items from his San Francisco hotel room.

The 71-year-old Trebek told reporters he spotted the woman in his room around 2:30 a.m. Wednesday, chased her down and confronted her.

He was on crutches later Wednesday when he hosted the National Geographic World Championship at Google headquarters.

San Francisco police Lt. Troy Dangerfield said hotel security apprehended the suspect and recovered some of Trebek's belongings.

Dangerfield said 56-year-old old Lucinda Moyers was arrested on suspicion of felony burglary and receiving stolen property.

She's scheduled to appear in court Thursday.

After his scheduled surgery Friday, Trebek is expected to be in a cast for six weeks.

**Old Spice guy beats Fabio**

CINCINNATI — The Old Spice Guy has won his hunk-off with Fabio.

Former football player Isaiah Mustafa has been lead spokesman for the Procter & Gamble Co. brand of men's body

washes and deodorants for nearly two years, starring in a popular series of marketing campaigns relying heavily on YouTube, Twitter and other social media.

Now, he has held off a playful effort by the Italian model to become "the new Old Spice Guy."

In a series of videos culminating Thursday, the muscular pitchmen

dueled in tongue-in-cheek challenges from one another and viewers. They held staring and whistling contests, bantered and gave advice on writing love letters and working out. P&G says Mustafa won based on consumer feedback such as "likes" and online comments.

They called the competition "Mano a Mano en El Bano."

—From wire reports

**Celebrating film**

Associated Press

ROME — American filmmakers dominate the lineup of this year's Venice Film Festival, where George Clooney and four others will be competing for the Golden Lion, while Madonna, Al Pacino and Steven Soderbergh will premiere their latest directorial efforts.

The strong lineup also includes Roman Polanski's "Carnage," an adaptation of the Broadway show "God of Carnage" featuring Jodie Foster, Kate Winslet and Christoph Waltz; David Cronenberg's take on psychoanalysis "A Dangerous Method," featuring Keira Knightley, Viggo Mortensen and Michael Fassbender; and "Shame," a drama by British director Steve McQueen featuring Fassbender and Carey Mulligan.

All 22 movies in competition at the world's oldest film festival are world premieres, organizers said Thursday. One of the 22 titles was kept secret and will be announced in coming weeks.

"We have looked for and strengthened a relationship with American cinema each year," said festival director Marco Mueller. However, he stressed that the guidelines for selecting the movies were just "to take beautiful movies, movies that would make one think and dream."

He cited Clooney's political drama "The Ides of March" as an example of a "sharp film that takes a look at today with a critical eye." The film about corruption and idealism in American politics, which stars Clooney, Ryan Gosling, Paul Giamatti and Philip Seymour Hoffman, will open the festival on Aug. 31.

Other American movies in competition include end-of-the-world film "4:44 Last Day on Earth" by Abel Ferrara; "Dark Horse" starring Mia Farrow and Christopher Walken and directed by Todd Solondz; "Killer Joe," a black comedy by William Friedkin starring



Venice Film Festival president Paolo Baratta, left, and director Marco Muller speak at a press conference in Rome on Thursday. Roman Polanski, David Cronenberg and five American directors, including George Clooney and Abel Ferrara, will compete at this year's Venice Film Festival.

Matthew McConaughey in the title role; and the second feature film by Ami Canaan Mann, "Texas Killing Fields," a murder drama featuring Sam Worthington and Jessica Chastain.

Also in competition are a spy movie based on John le Carre's best-seller "Tinker, Taylor, Soldier,

Spy" starring Oscar winner Colin Firth; "Himizu," based on a manga comic-book; and "Poulet Aux Prunes" (literally translated as "Chicken with Plums") co-directed by Marjane Satrapi, the author of comic book and Oscar-nominated film "Persepolis," and Vincent Paronnaud.

**Weiner goes from best-sellers to TV**

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Jennifer Weiner is an over-achiever.

She's been a New York Times best-selling author since her very first novel, "Good In Bed," came out a decade ago. Now there are 11 million copies of her books circulating in 36 countries.

Weiner just released her ninth novel, "Then Came You," two weeks after the premiere of her first TV show, ABC Family's "State of Georgia."

While commuting between the show's Los Angeles set and her Philadelphia home, the 41-year-old writer started work on her 10th book. And she still had time to talk with The Associated Press about writing, her creative inspiration and how she finds time to live-blog her favorite reality shows.

**AP:** Let's start with "State of Georgia." How did you like being an executive producer and writing for TV?

**Weiner:** We wanted to tell a story about two girls coming to New York City and trying to make big lives for themselves. I've always been interested in that moment and the woman in her 20s: You're not married, you don't have kids, you're sort of trying on different adult identities and there are so many possibilities, where the whole world is open in front of you. ... So I had this crash course in running a television show, and I was

about three weeks into it when I realized that really everything I know about being an executive producer I learned from watching Liz Lemon on "30 Rock." Honest to God! It was like OK, here's the writers' room, and it was incredibly funny and a little bit filthy. ... It's much more of a collaborative experience than writing fiction is, obviously.

**AP:** You were finishing up "Then Came You" when you started on the show. What is the book about?

**Weiner:** "Then Came You" actually came from a New York Times Magazine article that ran a couple of years ago by a writer who'd been a reporter for the Times and she was married to this very wealthy older guy. They were struggling with fertility, so they hired a surrogate ... but it turned out to be very much a story about money ... and it made me think a lot. I've always been interested in the economics of reproduction, who gets what they want when it comes to childbearing and how these days, money is a tremendous advantage. Money is a tremendous advantage in just about everything, but in terms of reproduction, if you're a poor woman and you are infertile, it's like too bad, so sad. And if you are a wealthy woman, you can kind of buy whatever you want.

**AP:** What is the relation-



In this June 29 photo, author and television producer Jennifer Weiner poses for a portrait at CBS Studios in Los Angeles. Weiner is producing her first TV show, ABC Family's "State of Georgia."

ship like between writing for TV and writing fiction?

**Weiner:** When I wrote "Good in Bed," I was working full time as a reporter, so I was writing on nights and weekends and had the story going in the back of my mind. And that's what it was with "Georgia" with the book I started this spring. Having a day job again I found really kind of fueled my fiction, because it became almost this forbidden thing where I had to sneak off and do it in private.

**AP:** Between all this, and your two young kids, how do you have time to live-tweet "The Bachelor?"

**Weiner:** Generally the

kids are in bed, or they're supposed to be. The 8-year-old, she'll get up and I'll be down there with the show on and my laptop open and I'll be like, 'Mommy's working,' and she'll go, 'Ugh. This is not work.' She's gotten very dismissive with me. I'm going to watch the show anyhow. I've just been devoted to the franchise since the very first airing of it, so it's actually not too hard to make time to watch two hours of really cheesy reality TV. I just prioritize.

**ON THE NET**  
 ■ www.jenniferweiner.com

**Florida LOTTERIES**

**SO YOU KNOW**

■ Last night's winning numbers, Page B4.

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 27**  
**Powerball:** 38 - 40 - 41 - 51 - 59  
**Powerball:** 33  
 5-of-5 PB No winner

No Florida winner  
 5-of-5 No winner  
**Lotto:** 13 - 19 - 23 - 38 - 42 - 51  
 6-of-6 No winner  
 5-of-6 41 \$5,148.50  
 4-of-6 2,024 \$76.50  
 3-of-6 41,548 \$5  
**Fantasy 5:** 3 - 5 - 9 - 24 - 30  
 5-of-5 5 winners \$46,129.17  
 4-of-5 434 \$85.50  
 3-of-5 11,936 \$8.50

**TUESDAY, JULY 26**  
**Mega Money:** 5 - 24 - 26 - 38  
**Mega Ball:** 11

4-of-4 MB No winner  
 4-of-4 8 \$870.50  
 3-of-4 MB 38 \$401.50  
 3-of-4 869 \$52  
 2-of-4 MB 1,294 \$24.50  
 1-of-4 MB 11,508 \$2.50  
 2-of-4 26,243 \$2  
**Fantasy 5:** 5 - 6 - 7 - 10 - 17  
 5-of-5 1 winner \$196,302.23  
 4-of-5 447 \$70.50  
 3-of-5 11,995 \$7

**INSIDE THE NUMBERS**

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**Today in HISTORY**

Today is Friday, July 29, the 210th day of 2011. There are 155 days left in the year.

**Today's Highlight:**  
 On July 29, 1981, Britain's Prince Charles married Lady Diana Spencer at St. Paul's Cathedral in London. (However, the couple divorced in 1996.)

**On this date:**  
 In 1588, the English attacked the Spanish Armada in the Battle of Gravelines, resulting in an English victory.

In 1890, artist Vincent van Gogh, 37, died of a self-inflicted gunshot wound in Auvers-sur-Oise, France.

In 1914, transcontinental telephone service in the U.S. began with the first test phone conversation between New York and San Francisco.

In 1967, an accidental rocket launch aboard the supercarrier USS Forrestal in the Gulf of Tonkin resulted in a fire and explosions that killed 134 servicemen.

**Ten years ago:** In a non-binding referendum, residents of Vieques voted overwhelmingly for the U.S. Navy to immediately stop bombing on the Puerto Rican island.

**Five years ago:** Actor-director Mel Gibson issued a lengthy statement apologizing for his drunken-driving arrest and for what he called his "despicable" statements toward the deputies who'd arrested him in Malibu, Calif.

**One year ago:** Army Spc. Bradley Manning was flown from a detention facility in Kuwait to the Marine Corps brig in Quantico, Va., to await trial on charges of giving military secrets to WikiLeaks.

**Today's Birthdays:** Comedian "Professor" Irwin Corey is 97. Actor Robert Horton is 87. Former Sen. Nancy Kassebaum-Baker is 79. Actor Robert Fuller is 77. Former Sen. Elizabeth H. Dole is 75. Actor David Warner is 70. Actor Mike Starr is 61. Documentary maker Ken Burns is 58. Style guru Tim Gunn (TV: "Project Runway") is 58. Rock singer-musician Geddy Lee (Rush) is 58. Rock singer Patti Scialfa (Bruce Springsteen and the E Street Band) is 58. Country singer Martina McBride is 45. Rhythm-and-blues singer Wanya Morris (Boyz II Men) is 38. Country singer-songwriter James Otto is 38.

**Thought for Today:** "The idea of my life as a fairy tale is itself a fairy tale." — Grace Kelly, American-born actress and Princess consort of Monaco (1929-1982).

**Today's HOROSCOPE**

**Today's birthday:** Provided you don't take on more than you can handle, your prospects for the coming months look extremely encouraging. Do all the necessary homework and weed out all the money wasters first, before you make any moves.

**Leo (July 23-Aug. 22)** — Be leery of someone who attempts to involve you in a game of one-upmanship, especially if money is involved. Chances are that he has experience or expertise he isn't telling you about.

**Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** — Even if you believe you have money to burn, handle your finances with prudence and caution. Deal only with the realities at hand and don't count on Lady Luck carrying you to victory.

**Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)** — Fence sitting could get you into a lot of trouble, and we're not just talking sore haunches. Either take a firm position on a critical issue or don't get involved at all. You don't need any additional complications.

**Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)** — Avoid talking too freely to a friend about a matter that is supposed to be confidential. Although you usually can trust this person, she or he might misunderstand and spread the news.

**Sagittarius (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** — If you are too easily put upon by friends, a certain pal could palm off a difficult job on you that he or she is avoiding because of the responsibility involved. Know what you're getting into.

**Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** — Try to keep the needs and interests of your pals on the same level as your own. If you put your friendship ahead of those of others, you will quickly alienate their friends.

**Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)** — Nothing will be accomplished if you aren't persevering as you should be in regards to your plans. Throwing in the towel because of a few impediments is folly.

**Pisces (Feb. 20-March 20)** — Be wary if you're offered something on the side for going along with a secret deal. It could

turn out to be nothing but sugar coating that will turn sour at a moment's notice.

**Aries (March 21-April 19)** — Going against your better judgment is foolish and you know it, so regardless of your reasons for wanting to do so, back off. When you start ignoring your common sense, you're in trouble.

**Taurus (April 20-May 20)** — Demanding the impossible from a person on whom you palmed off a difficult job is wrong, and you know it. Give him or her the same space you would have wanted for yourself.

**Gemini (May 21-June 20)** — Be wary of a merchandiser who is representing something as a bargain when, in fact, he may be merely dumping it because of some hidden imperfections. Shop wisely.

**Cancer (June 21-July 22)** — Frustrations will result if you aren't realistic about the objectives you establish for yourself. If they are too overwhelming or beyond your scope of expertise, you should hire a pro.



COMING TOMORROW

ADULT LEAGUE SPORTS



COMING TUESDAY

CITRUS COUNTY SPEEDWAY



COMING WEDNESDAY

HITTING THE LINKS



COMING THURSDAY

OUTDOORS



# GET IN THE GAME

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## Pine Ridge, Parks & Rec join forces to teach golf

CRYSTA HENRY  
Special to the Chronicle

### Youth Golf

Citrus County Parks & Recreation along with Pine Ridge Golf Course will be offering a fall youth golf clinic for ages 6 thru 16. This clinic will be at Pine Ridge Golf Course in Beverly Hills.

Andy Smith, Supervisor of Parks and Recreation said "This clinic is because we had such a great turn out of kids for our summer golf programs, we want to keep the momentum going in the fall."

The fall clinic will cover full swing, chipping, pitching, putting, course etiquette, and actual golf course play. This will be a six week clinic held each Wednesday evening from 5 - 6 p.m. or 6 - 7 p.m., you pick which time fits your schedule.

The clinic will begin on September 7 for a fee of only \$60. Golf clubs will be provided, but if your child has their own set it is recommended they bring them. Pre-registration is required. Registration can be completed at the Citrus County Parks & Recreation office in Lecanto at 2804 W. Marc Knighton Ct.

For more information visit [www.citruscountyparks.com](http://www.citruscountyparks.com) or call 352-527-7540. During this clinic Pine Ridge will allow the registered students to play golf on the Little Pines course



CRYSTA HENRY/Special to the Chronicle

Pine Ridge Golf Course will be providing group and individual youth golf lessons starting Sept 7.

for FREE. That's a great way to practice after each session.

To get the whole family involved, Golf Pro Randy Robbins will do one on one, one hour lessons with parents for only \$40.

Pine Ridge Golf Course is also offering a guest deal for the family to get out together and enjoy the game of golf. Any three family members can play 9 holes on Little Pines for only \$15! Any additional child is \$6 each. Bring the whole family and play golf for a great price. Any student currently enrolled in Citrus County school system can play on Little Pines, walking for only \$10. Last but not least

for all the moms, every Saturday morning starting at 8:30 a.m. on Little Pines there is a Ladies League, you can play 9 holes for only \$13 with cart.

### Camp Fusion

Camp Fusion will be having its last week next week. Campers and Staff have enjoyed a very busy and fun summer. This summer has included trips to Lowry Park Zoo, Homosassa Wildlife Park, MOSI, a Tampa Bay Rays Game, and this week Dinosaur World. Along with all the fun filled trips campers also had many guest speakers, craft activities and sports to keep them busy.

Week 10 of Camp Fusion will be "Wild West Week," campers will not only enjoy fun games and activities relating to the wild west; but we will also have a Carnival Day and our end of the summer blowout.

For more information regarding Camp Fusion please call 352-527-7540 or visit us at [citruscountyparks.com](http://citruscountyparks.com).

All programs and activities offered by the Division of Parks and Recreation are available to all persons without regard to race, color, handicap, sex, religion or national origin. For persons with disabilities requiring special accommoda-

tions, please contact our office five days prior to the program so that proper consideration may be given to the request. For hearing impaired please contact 352-527-5901 (TTY) or 352-527-7540 (Voice).

### PLAY

The summer is winding down, which means one thing parents. It's time for Citrus County Parks & Recreation's P.L.A.Y. program.

The P.L.A.Y. programs are designed for children ages 3-5 who are not quite ready to get involved in the county's organized sports leagues. Soccer and T-ball will be the sports offered for this session of P.L.A.Y. and they will begin September 6, 2011.

Soccer will be offered at Central Ridge District Park on Mondays and also at Homosassa Area Recreational Park on Wednesdays. T-ball will be held at Central Ridge District Park on Tuesdays and also at Bicentennial Park on Thursdays.

All nights and locations have two time slots to choose from 5:00-6:00 p.m. or 6:00-7:00 p.m. Registration is now open and pre-registration is required. Space is limited so be sure to secure your child's spot now.

The cost is \$45 per child. Save \$10 by signing your child up for both sports. For more information contact Crysta Henry Recreation Program Specialist for Youth Programs at 352-527-7543 or visit [www.citruscountyparks.com](http://www.citruscountyparks.com).

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### Nature Coast

Nature Coast flag football season to start August 20th

The Nature Coast Flag Football season will begin Saturday August 20th at Lecanto High School football field. There will be three upper division games and three lower division games every Saturday, weather permitting, starting at 9am and continuing all day. Admission to all games is free to everyone.

Game day sponsorships are also available, so please call Lisa Roberts at (352) 302-3343 for more information. The Nature Coast Football League is an instructional league offering kids an opportunity to participate in Flag Football or Cheerleading, teaching them about sportsmanship, leadership, teamwork, and discipline. More information is available online at [www.naturecoastyouthsports.com](http://www.naturecoastyouthsports.com).

# CONGRATULATIONS

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# Back 2 School Bash rocks the courthouse

## The Broken Home Children and Boone's Fork Band to play

*Special to the Chronicle*

The last gasp of summer vacation will end on a happy note with a free Back 2 School Bash from 2 to 4 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 6, at the Old Courthouse in Inverness.

Back 2 School will bring Banjo Billy for the younger set, Boone's Fork Band for older kids and The Broken Home Children for everyone.

To ease the pain of returning to school, Inver-

ness' Ice Cream Doctor will make a call and provide doses of special frozen medication. The program is free for everyone and "medication" is free as well.

At the Old Courthouse, the entertainment begins with Banjo Billy. Billy is a carved, one-of-a-kind, life-sized puppet brought to life by Mona Stuart of Palm Bay. He interacts with children at libraries, folk festivals and the Red Cross across Florida bringing them traditional music as well as sing-along

songs and just plain fun.

After Billy spends a half-hour with the younger set, Boone's Fork Band, an aggregation of musicians from Citrus County, will present tunes from "Curious George," Bob Dylan and Woody Guthrie. Boone's Fork revolves around the hub of Jeff and Donna Palmyra with Nilda Sessler adding her voice and sidemen Lenz Henderson and Jim Davis.

After a pause for some of the Ice Cream Doctor's special medication, The Broken Home Children will round out the afternoon. The band includes Andrew Kyburz on guitar and vocals;

Joey Lazio on mandolin and vocals; Jill Isenberg on bass and Ray Stover on banjo and vocals. The Broken Home Children forge a mix of bluegrass standards and folk music. Many have seen them playing in restaurants and in front of local businesses.

The Concerts at the Old Courthouse series will start a second season Nov. 17 with Nashville-based finger style guitarist Jim Hurst. Reservations for the November concert are recommended.

For reservations, contact the Old Courthouse at (352) 341-6427 or email katherine.turner@bocc.citrus.fl.us.



*Special to the Chronicle*  
**Boone's Fork Band will perform at the Back 2 School Bash on Aug. 6 at the Old Courthouse in Inverness. Band members are Jeff and Donna Palmyra with Nilda Sessler on vocals and sidemen Lenz Henderson Jim Davis.**

## A new twist to a Western tale



Associated Press

**Harrison Ford, left, and Daniel Craig play the leading roles in the Western sci-fi film "Cowboys & Aliens." It opens today in theaters.**

REVIEW

DAVID GERMAIN  
 AP Movie Writer

# Cowboys & Aliens

*Movie turns mash-up to mush*

The genre mash-up of "Cowboys & Aliens" is more a mash-up, an action yarn aiming to be both science fiction and Old West adventure but doing neither all that well.

The filmmakers — and there are a lot of them, among them director Jon Favreau, 11 producers or executive producers including Steven Spielberg, Ron Howard and Brian Grazer, plus half a dozen credited writers — start with a title that lays out a simple but cool premise: invaders from the skies shooting it out with guys on horseback.

For all the talent involved, they

wound up keeping the story too simple, almost simple-minded, leaving a terrific cast led by Daniel Craig and Harrison Ford stuck in a sketchy, sometimes poky tale where you get cowboys occasionally fighting aliens and not much more.

Based on a graphic novel from Scott Mitchell Rosenberg, also a producer on the movie, "Cowboys & Aliens" has Craig doing the stony-faced lone rider thing to such stoic extremes it borders on blandness. Ford is similarly constricted in a stereotyped role as the tyrannical overlord of a Western town, though his unflinching charisma does imbue

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Liam Cash  
**CASHMONEY MOVIES**

## Captain America a real hero

Does anyone think there have been too many superhero films this year? Well, if you do — I feel sorry for you, because I love comic-book movies!

Granted, there have been at least four or five other superheroes who have graced the silver screen this year, but there is one more who needs his time to shine, and he is perhaps the best known of them all.

I believe I should note that I felt like it was my patriotic duty to see this film, but more important, "Captain America: The First Avenger" is the last piece of the puzzle before Marvel releases its mega superhero team-up film, "The Avengers," next May. Does Cap bring anything new to the table?

It's 1942, World War II is in full swing, and young Steve Rogers (Chris Evans) has been rejected for military service once again. It's no surprise. Steve is puny, sickly and has a long list of medical issues. But Steve has no greater desire than to serve his country, so he doesn't stop trying.

Soon his efforts are noticed by a scientist named Abraham Erskine (Stanley Tucci), who takes Rogers aside to offer him a chance to be a part of the government's new super soldier program. During training, everyone looks down on Rogers, including Col. Chester Phillips (Tommy Lee Jones). But Erskine believes Rogers is the best choice because of his heart, compassion and bravery. After Rogers is injected with the super-soldier serum, he emerges as a tall, buff, Nazi-killing machine who is tasked with taking down Johann Schmidt (Hugo Weaving), the head of Hitler's deep science division HYDRA. Rogers, now named Captain America, must stop Schmidt before he unleashes the ultimate power upon the world.

In the past couple of years, the superheroes we have seen have had very different personalities. Think of the million-dollar narcissist, the self-absorbed Norse god and

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## Hilson to heat up Tampa amphitheater

*R&B, pop singer to share stage with Lil' Wayne*

SAMANTHA KENNEDY  
 Chronicle Intern

Grammy-nominated rhythm and blues /pop singer Keri Hilson knows persistence pays off.

In a recent Chronicle phone interview, the 27-year-old said never giving up is a message she will always stress.

Hilson was a theater major in college and "can't think of a time" when she didn't aspire to make it big time.

"I've known people who are a ton better than me, have way more talent and are so much more qualified to be where I am," she said. "But they gave up; I never will."

Hilson, along with Lil' Wayne and Rick Ross, Far East Movement and

Lloyd will perform at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 3, rocking the 1-800-ASK-GARY Amphitheatre in Tampa.

"This show lets you see me in a different light," Hilson said. "The show is aggressive and gangsta."

She will perform hits such as "Turnin Me On" featuring Lil' Wayne and "Knock You Down," as well as "Pretty Girl Rock," co-written by Ne-Yo and Chuck Harmony, which has reached more than 1 million downloads. Her new single "Lose Control" featuring Nelly was recently released to radio and includes a video directed by Colin Tilley.

Hilson grew up in Atlanta, Ga., and aspired to be a songwriter. When this plan didn't work out, she found herself "unexpectedly working with big stars like Chris Brown, Usher and Lil Wayne."

"It all happened so fast," Hilson said, "I am so thankful to be where I am now."

She recently released her critically acclaimed album, "No Boys

Allowed," and launched her own brand of chains.

"I represent the everyday single girl," Hilson said. "I want to stress women need to recognize their worth and power and not settle for anything less than a grown man who is aware of the value of the woman he has at home."

This is what inspired Hilson to sell the No Boys Chain, which she is excited to see girls wearing at her shows. "It really shows me that the message is getting out," she said.

She sells VIP tickets to her shows, which include the opportunity to meet her and hang out before the show, then go on stage with her.

"I'm so excited for this show and meeting my Florida fans," Hilson said.

"Follow me on Twitter," Hilson said. "I am always the one tweeting, never anybody else. I have a lot of fun updating fans on what's going on."

You can find her Twitter at [www.twitter.com/misskeribaby](http://www.twitter.com/misskeribaby).



Special to the Chronicle

**Keri Hilson will appear with headliner Lil' Wayne, as well as Rick Ross, Far East Movement and Lloyd at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 3, at the 1-800-ASK-GARY Amphitheatre in Tampa. For availability, visit [www.ticketmaster.com](http://www.ticketmaster.com).**

**THEATER**

Live Oak Theatre Company's **Second Annual Summer Camp** will be from Aug. 1 to 5 and Aug. 8 to 12. Week One will be at The Bridge Christian Life Center, 7279 Pinehurst Drive, at Cobblestone Drive, Spring Hill. Week Two will be on stage at Eleanor Dempsey Center at Bishop McLaughlin High School, 13651 Hayes Road in Hudson. Camp will be from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. with an hour lunch and snack time. (Children must bring their own lunch and healthy snacks.) Arrangements can be made for early drop-off. Tuition is \$150 for either weekly session or \$250 for both. Limited partial scholarships are available. Camp is open to children from ages 8 to 15. Special arrangements may be made for younger children based on interview and audition.

To reserve a place, send a \$25 non-refundable deposit, payable to Live Oak Theatre Company and mailed to Live Oak Theatre Company, Randi Olsen, Artistic Director, P.O. Box 12285, Brooksville FL 34603. For information go to [www.LiveOakTheatre.org](http://www.LiveOakTheatre.org) or call (352) 593-0027.

**Encore Ensemble Theater Inc.'s auditions** for "Zany Seance at the Bingo Hall," 6 to 8 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 6, and 3 to 5 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 7 at Homosassa Lions Club, at 8396 West Homosassa Trail. Parts available for three men and two women of any age. Performances will be Oct. 15-16 and Oct. 23-24. For information, call the Encore Ensemble

Box Office at (352) 212-5417.

**DANCE**

**Afternoon tea dances** and classical ballroom music, twice a month at the community centers, hosted by deejay Sapphire. On the second Wednesday monthly, the tea dance is at Central Citrus Community Center, 2804 W. Marc Knighton Court, Lecanto (527-5993), at 1:30 to 4 p.m. On the last Friday monthly, the tea dance is at West Citrus Community Center, 8940 W. Veterans Drive, Homosassa (795-3831), from 2 to 4 p.m.

\$5 per person with a portion of the proceeds to benefit In-Home Senior Services. This is an all-year, ongoing ballroom dance.

**Second annual Florida Fun Mini Match**, 1 to 5 p.m. July 31, Jumbolair Estates, 1201 N.E. 77th St., Ocala. The Florida Fun Mini Match is a short ballroom competition in which contestants are judged against a standard rather than against each other. Pro Am, amateur couples, dance teams and showcase dancers are welcome to join this fun and exciting competition. About 25 percent of profits will be donated to the Boys & Girls Club and Youth Enrichment. For information, call Karen or Mary at (352) 748-3279.

**Mixer Dance** 8 to 11 p.m. first and third Fridays monthly at Lake Panasoffkee Recreation Center, 1582 C.R. 459 (off C.R. 470). Live music. Everyone welcome, singles and couples. Finger foods welcome, soda is provided. Sponsored by Sumter Singles. (352) 424-1688.

# The Buzz

Recounting a hiking, rafting trip



The Florida Artists Gallery will sponsor an evening program featuring one of the Gallery's wildlife and nature photographers, Gary Kuhl. He will recount his hiking trip down the Grand Canyon's south rim to the Colorado River and a subsequent rafting adventure. The hike was 10 miles down and through some of nature's most majestic and beautiful scenery. After an overnight stay at the bottom of the canyon, the group undertook a 190-mile, five-day raft trip down the Colorado River including encounters with more than 100 rapids. The program will begin at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 11, at the Gallery in Floral City. The 45-minute program is free. A drawing (\$1 per ticket) will be for a few select Gallery art items.



**Allan O'Neal** sings and deejays, 6 to 10 p.m. first and third Saturdays and Sundays at Citrus County Builders Association, 1196 South Lecanto Hwy. on County Road 491 across from the Havana House Café in Lecanto. Next dances are Sunday, Aug. 7 and Saturday, Aug. 20. The Aug. 6 dance is sold out. Free dance lessons from 5 to 6 p.m. Reserve table for up to eight for \$65. Admission \$10 at door on Saturday and \$5 Sunday. Admission includes food. Call (352) 746-7560 or (352) 464-0004 or email Linda at [aross9@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:aross9@tampabay.rr.com).

**Ballroom and Latin Dance Social**, 7 to 10 p.m. every other Saturday on Aug. 13 and Aug. 27, at Beverly Hills Recreation Center, 77 Civic Circle. Free half-hour lesson at 7 p.m. Free snacks and beverages. Cost \$8 per person. Call (352) 746-5845 or visit [www.ballroomsocials.com](http://www.ballroomsocials.com).

**Loyal Order of Moose dinner dance**, for members and qualified guests, 5:30 p.m. Fridays, Inverness Lodge 2112 in Inverness. (352) 726-2112.

**Knights of Columbus** dance featuring Starburst, 7 to 10 p.m. Sundays, Knights of Columbus hall, County Road 486, one mile east of County Road 491. \$5. Call the hall at (352) 746-6921.

**Line dancing classes with Kathy Reynolds**, 1 to 3:30 p.m. Tuesdays. East Citrus Community Center, 9907 E. Gulf-to-Lake Highway, Inverness. \$3 per class. (352) 344-9666.

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■ **Classes at The Florida Artists Gallery** in Floral City:

● Experience landscape painting with acrylics, beginners to advanced. From 1 to 3 p.m. Tuesdays. Cost \$15 per session. To register and for information, call Instructor Connie Townsend at (352) 400-9757.

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■ **Watercolor classes** with instructor Pat Sistrand, 9 a.m. Tuesdays, Citrus Springs Community Center. \$10 per class, per person. Register online at [www.citruscountyfl.org](http://www.citruscountyfl.org), click on Parks & Recreation to register. (352) 465-7007.

■ **The Pink House Art Studio**, 8300 E. Magnolia, Floral City. For information or to register email [pinkhouseart@gmail.com](mailto:pinkhouseart@gmail.com) or call Thelma (352) 726-2431.

● **Creative Needle Arts Group** ongoing meetings, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. first and third Tuesday monthly, Pink House Art Studio. Bring bag lunch, needle art project, a show-and-tell project and \$2. Contact Thelma Noble at (352) 726-2431 or email [pinkhouseart@gmail.com](mailto:pinkhouseart@gmail.com).

■ **Sandhill Crane Chapter of the Embroiderers' Guild of America**, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., first Wednesday monthly at Faith Evangelical Presbyterian Church, 200 Mt. Fair Ave., Brooksville. Bring lunch. (352) 621-6680 (Citrus), (352) 666-8350 (Hernando).

■ **Nature Coast Decorative Artists** Chapter of the Society of Decorative Artists meets at 9 a.m. the first Saturday monthly at the Weeki Wachee Senior Center, 3357 Susan Drive, off U.S. 19 and Toucan Trail, Spring Hill. The group will have a short meeting, show and tell and a birthday raffle. The project for August will be a mixed media beach scene on canvas taught by Jeanette Seese. Call Andi at (352) 666-9091, Jeanette at (727) 857-1045 or Pat at (352) 249-7221 or visit [www.ncda-artists.com](http://www.ncda-artists.com).

■ **Art in the Park**, includes craft demonstration and workshops, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. first Saturday monthly, Stephen Foster Folk Culture Center State Park, White Springs. (386) 397-1920. [www.Floridastateparks.org/stephenfoster](http://www.Floridastateparks.org/stephenfoster).

■ **Needlework Fun Groups**, 2 to 4 p.m. first and third Saturdays monthly, Wildwood Public Library, 310 S. Palmer Drive, Wildwood. (352) 748-1158. [els34785@yahoo.com](mailto:els34785@yahoo.com)

■ **Three Sisters Springs Exhibit** with nature images, sights and sounds captured from Three Sisters Springs within the last 90 days will be on display at a new art gallery in Crystal River. The exhibit includes winterring manatee herds during the extreme cold spells and landscape shots of the springs during the fall and winter. The gallery is open from 10:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. daily but closed Wednesdays and Sundays. It is at 611 N. Citrus Ave. in Crystal River. Call (352) 505-2438 or email [jorge@cafempressions.com](mailto:jorge@cafempressions.com).

■ **Beginner and Advanced Stained Glass**, 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Tuesdays, Aug. 9 to 30, at Cubby's Art Studio, 1065 N. Paul Drive, Inverness. Course fee \$79. Materials cost \$50. To register or for information on other noncredit College of Central Florida Citrus campus courses, call (352) 249-1210 or visit [CFITraining.cfc.edu](http://CFITraining.cfc.edu).

■ **Citrus Watercolor Club** meeting, 1 p.m. second Friday monthly, United Methodist Church on County Road 581, Inverness. \$5. (352) 382-8973 or (352) 622-9352.

■ **Manatee Haven Decorative Artists** chapter of the

National Society of Decorative Painters, meets second Saturday monthly at 8089 W. Pine Bluff St., Crystal River. 563-6349, (352) 861-8567. [www.mhdartists.com](http://www.mhdartists.com).

■ **Inaugural Residents Craft Fair**, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 13, in the Wellington Ballroom, 400 Wexford Blvd., Spring Hill. Wide variety of hand-crafted items for sale including: baskets, painted gourds, greeting cards, needlepoint, pine needle art, jewelry, greeting cards and crochet/knitted items. The Wellington is on Mariner Boulevard, north of County Line Road and south of Spring Hill Drive. For information, call Sandra LaValley at (352) 799-9690.

■ The Pilot Club of Crystal River's **16th annual "Christmas in September"** art & craft show, Saturday, Sept. 17, Crystal River Armory. The Pilot Club is seeking vendors who can provide Christmas ideas and gifts for the many residents who attend this show each fall. Proceeds will be used by the club to fund its many community service activities. To request a table, call BJ at (352) 795-5223 as soon as possible.

■ **Art Center of Citrus County's** regular gallery hours are 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Monday to Friday. For information, call Jackie Huband at (352) 746-4089. The Art Center of Citrus County is at 2644 N. Annapolis Ave., Hernando.

■ **2011 Brooksville City Hall Art Exhibit Schedule**

● Summer Exhibit opens Monday, Aug. 16, with Founder's Week reception from 5 to 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 13 and Art N Market Walk from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 15. Exhibit ends Friday, Nov. 4.

Brooksville City Hall Art Gallery is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday except holidays at 201 Howell Ave. Brooksville. Call (352) 540-3810.



Members of Citrus Community Concert Choir rehearse recently. The choir will present "Great Music for Your Summer" for three performances: 2 p.m. Sunday, July 31, Our Lady of Grace Parish Center, 6 Roosevelt Road, Beverly Hills; 7:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 5, Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church, 550 S. U.S. 41, Inverness; and 2 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 7, Faith Lutheran Church, 935 S. Crystal Glen Drive, Lecanto. Tickets are \$10. For information, call (352) 382-7071.

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Practice makes for perfect pitch

## BEST BETS

■ **"Death on the Petulant Express,"** audience participation mystery dinner theater hosted by Unity of Citrus County, July 29 and 30. \$15. Call (352) 746-1270 for tickets and show times.

■ **Dancing at The Crystal Oaks Clubhouse**, 7 to 11 p.m. every Friday night through July 29, at Crystal Oaks Clubhouse, 4958 West Crystal Oaks Drive (off State Road 44), Lecanto. The next dance is July 29. \$10 per person. Age requirement is 21 and older. Two drinks and/or two cans of soda are included in the \$10 entry fee per person along with snacks. Call Michael and Sandra Craig at (352) 527-9806, email [djsandy@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:djsandy@tampabay.rr.com) or go online at [www.karaoke-soundstage.com](http://www.karaoke-soundstage.com).

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■ **"Refraction: Contemporary Art from the Harn Museum Collection,"** includes work of 56 artists chosen for their interest in the act of perception, through Aug. 7, Harn Museum of Art, Gainesville. Free. (352) 392-9826. [www.harn.ufl.edu](http://www.harn.ufl.edu).

■ **Vans Warped Tour:**  
● 11:30 a.m. Friday, July 29, Central Florida Fairgrounds, Orlando. \$43.83.  
● 11:30 a.m. Sunday, July 31, Vinoy Park, St. Petersburg. \$45.93. [www.ticketmaster.com](http://www.ticketmaster.com).

## MUSEUMS

■ **"Recent Acquisitions"** exhibition at Appleton Museum of Art, College of Central Florida, will run through Sept. 25. Daily admission \$6 for adults; \$4 for seniors over 55 and students 19 and over; \$3 for youths ages 10-18. Among the newly acquired

works showcased in "Recent Acquisitions" is watercolor "Superman Puzzle," 2009. Museum open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesdays through Saturdays, noon to 5 p.m. Sundays and closed Mondays. The museum is at 4333 E. Silver Springs Blvd., Ocala. For more information, call (352) 291-4455 or visit

[www.AppletonMuseum.org](http://www.AppletonMuseum.org).  
■ **Coastal Heritage Museum tours**, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday, Coastal Heritage Museum, 532 Citrus Ave., Crystal River. Extended hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. the second Saturday monthly. Free. (352) 795-1755.  
■ **Olde Mill House Gallery**

& **Printing Museum tours**, circa 1800 hands-on operating museum, 10466 W. Yulee Drive, Homosassa. By appointment only. (352) 628-9411.

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■ **Circle Square Commons Farmer's Market evening hours**, 5 to 8 p.m. Thursdays. Find fresh seasonal produce, flowers, plants, fresh baked goods, handmade soaps, delicious pies and much more. On Top of the World Communities' talented chefs conduct cooking demonstrations at 6 p.m. Circle Square Commons is adjacent to On Top of the World Communities at 8405 S.W. 80th St. in Ocala. Call (352) 854-3670 or visit [www.CircleSquareCommonsFarmersMarket.com](http://www.CircleSquareCommonsFarmersMarket.com).

■ **Crystal River of Life Coffee House**, Christian Fellowship, conversation and music from 7 to 9:30 p.m. Fridays, Village Café, 789 N.E. Fifth St., State Road 44. (352) 817-6879.

■ **Saturday at the Market**, farmer's market, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturdays weekly, in front of the historic Courthouse, downtown Brooksville. (352) 428-4275.

■ **Crystal River Preserve State Park boat tour**, 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, Crystal River Preserve State Park Visitor Center. \$10 for adults; \$8 for children age 7

to 12; free, children 6 and younger. Tickets go on sale in the Preserve Visitor Center one hour prior to departure; arrive no less than 15 minutes prior to departure. (352) 563-0450 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday or [www.crystalriverstateparks.org](http://www.crystalriverstateparks.org).

■ **Gulfport Tuesday Fresh Market**, includes fresh produce, seafood, art, live entertainment, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday, weekly, Gulfport waterfront district (Beach Boulevard). <http://gulfportflorida.us/tuesday-morning-fresh-market>.

■ **Mental Flossing**, an improvisational Comedy 4-Charity troupe, is now forming in the Inverness and Citrus County community. Mental Flossing combines improvisation and sketch comedy with proceeds going to area service organizations. No experience necessary and all ages and backgrounds welcome. Call Sid Caplan, comedy coordinator, at (352) 400-3894.

■ **Dunnellon's First Saturday Village Market**, includes a variety of street vendors, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. first Saturday monthly, Dunnellon's Historic District on West Pennsylvania Avenue, Cedar and Walnut streets. (352) 465-9200.

■ **The Florida Chapter of the National Historical Novel Society** has formed in Citrus County. The society

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meets at 1 p.m. the first Saturday monthly at Central Ridge Library in Beverly Hills. Pricilla Watkins will lead a program on "Development of Fictional Characters." Call Joyce Moore at (352) 746-6559.

■ **Fourth annual Island Festival**, 6 to 10 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 6, at Circle Square Commons. Evening will include beautiful Island dancers dressed in authentic and colorful costumes, Polynesian and fire knife dancers, tropical face painting, lei and basket making stations, fun games and food vendors. The Town Square is at 8409 S.W. 80th Street, Ocala. For information, visit [www.CircleSquareCommons.com](http://www.CircleSquareCommons.com).

■ **Market Day with Art & Treasures**, an outdoor event with plants, produce, arts, crafts, collectibles and more, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. second Saturday on the grounds of Heritage Village, 657 N. Citrus Ave., Crystal River. Call (352) 564-1400.

■ **"The King is Back!"** 7 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 13, and 4 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 14, at the Homosassa Lions Club, at 8396 W. Homosassa Trail. The event will showcase Elvis impersonator, Billy Lindsey and comedian Jersey

Mike, who will open the show. Mike Shier II will host. Refreshments may be purchased. Beer and wine will also be served. Seating is by reservation only. Cost is \$15 per person for general admission or \$25 for VIP. For information and reservations, call (352) 212-5417.

■ **Inverness Farmers' Market**, about 30 vendors, fresh produce, homemade crafts, baked goods and more, 8 a.m. to noon, third Saturdays monthly, Inverness Government Center parking lot. (352) 726-2611.

■ **Farmer's Market**, 8 a.m. to noon Thursdays weekly and fourth Saturdays, Town Center at Circle Square Commons, Ocala. [www.circlesquarecommonsfarmersmarket.com](http://www.circlesquarecommonsfarmersmarket.com).

■ **Chapter 156 of The National Association of Watch and Clock Collectors (NAWCC) meeting**, 8 a.m. fourth Sunday monthly, Heronando Civic Center, 3848 E. Parson's Point Road, Heronando. Call Roger Krieger, president, at (352) 527-2669.

■ **Disney on Ice: Dare to Dream**, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 2, Lakeland Center Jenkins Arena, Lakeland. \$32.25, \$43.25. [www.ticketmaster.com](http://www.ticketmaster.com).



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Hayley Atwell portrays Peggy Carter, right, and Chris Evans portrays Steve Rogers in a scene from the film "Captain America: The First Avenger."

## CASH

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several others with severe anger management issues. That's why it's nice to see a more classic kind of hero back on screen.

Captain America does not put himself above others; he doesn't insult, backstab or judge anyone. Instead, he's a humble man who loves his country and is willing to sacrifice himself for the greater good. Cap is a hero we haven't seen since perhaps the last "Superman" film, and it's good to see a hero parents won't mind their kids looking up to.

As May's "Thor" had a much different setting than past Marvel films, so does "Captain America." The World War II backdrop is a change-up, but don't worry — Cap doesn't come close to the intensity and graphic content of films such as "Saving Private Ryan." Instead, Cap's a whole lot of fun featuring loads of fighting and explosions.

But there's plenty of heart in the mix as well. As with many hero flicks, there is emotion, there is romance and there are lessons to be learned (in this case sacrifice). In this film it abounds, especially during the film's gripping climax (one of the best Marvel has made).

Backing all of this up is the terrific cast. Many know Chris Evans as the other Marvel superhero, The Human Torch from the "Fantastic Four" movies and usually he plays the same type of character — the smooth-talking ladies man. Not so much in "Captain America."

As you might have read,

Evans was challenged to play a much different character for this film and he succeeds. As for Hugo Weaving, who has given life to villains such as Agent Smith in "The Matrix" movies and Megatron in "Transformer: Dark of the Moon," he was the perfect choice to play to cruel Nazi nemesis of Captain America (who fans know as The Red Skull). Throw in some good supporting actors such as Stanley Tucci and the humorous Tommy Lee Jones, and you have an all-star cast.

"Captain America: The First Avenger" has everything going for it: great action, great acting and a lot of love for the U.S.A. Fans of past Marvel films will have no problem enjoying this film, and there's a high chance that those who don't enjoy the comic-book craze will have just as much fun.

But if there is one thing I know, it's that after this movie and what is shown after the credits, I — along with the rest of the superhero lovers — can't be more excited about what will happen when Iron Man, The Hulk, Thor and Captain America come together to fight whatever stands in their way. Bring on "The Avengers!"

I give this film three stars out of four: "Captain America: The First Avenger" has a running time of 121 minutes and is rated PG-13 for intense sequences of sci-fi action and violence.

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## COWBOYS

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some spirit into his underdeveloped character.

Really, the only clever thing about "Cowboys & Aliens" is the basic idea itself. The Western trappings are mostly dull, the aliens and sci-fi elements are unimaginative, and cramming them together is not enough to make them interesting.

As the story opens in 1875, Craig's amnesiac Jake Lonergan wanders into the dusty New Mexico town of Absolution with no clue to his identity and bearing a strange metal bracelet on his wrist. Within minutes, he begins running afoul of the town's leaders, crossing the cowardly son (Paul Dano) of local cattle baron Woodrow Dolarhyde (Ford), then tussling with the sheriff (Keith Carradine) and his deputies.

Just as it looks as though we're in for a showdown among a band of greedy thugs and decent townfolk in need of a hero, spacecraft swoop in and start snatching people right off the streets. Six-shooters are like firing blanks at the speedy ships, but Jake's wristband comes



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Daniel Craig plays Jake Lonergan, who suffers from amnesia in the film "Cowboys & Aliens."

to life, and he gradually learns how to use it as a weapon to fight back against what the villagers initially assume are demons.

Dolarhyde leads Jake and a posse in pursuit of the creatures, accompanied by the mysterious gun-toting Ella (Olivia Wilde), who knows more about these beings than she lets on.

Director Favreau slipped from fresh and flamboyant in need of a hero, spacecraft swoop in and start snatching people right off the streets. Six-shooters are like firing blanks at the speedy ships, but Jake's wristband comes

laws and Apaches and has more abduction run-ins with the aliens.

Yet other than seeing the two blended together, there's nothing here that hasn't been done far better in many Westerns and science-fiction flicks. The aliens are anonymous monsters, and the human folk are mostly cardboard types like those you'll find in any old Western.

The action plays out against grand, gorgeous landscapes captured by cinematographer Matthew Libatique, while the visual effects are standard stuff,

save for one very impressive explosion.

As a jittery saloon owner, Sam Rockwell gets to toss out a few funny lines, and Adam Beach manages a few moments of pathos as Dolarhyde's main hand. As the sheriff's young grandson, Noah Ringer is there to broaden the movie's kid appeal but doesn't really add to the story.

Though Ford is pushing 70, it's odd seeing him relegated to second billing in an action movie. His role is big, and it does give him a chance to play a bit nastier than usual.

But Craig's role is the sort Ford might have done if "Cowboys & Aliens" came 20 years earlier. Craig's probably the better actor of the two, but Ford's a true movie star, and it's easy to imagine a livelier film if Jake had more of that Indiana Jones rogue's charm and less of the tightly wound menace Craig has made a part of his take on James Bond.

"Cowboys & Aliens," a Universal Pictures release, is rated PG-13 for intense sequences of Western and sci-fi action and violence, some partial nudity and a brief crude reference. Running time: 118 minutes. Two stars out of four:

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**News NOTES**

**Come visit 'Anita's World' at museum**

Heritage Hall Museum in Floral City will offer a summer into fall exhibit, from June through November, of "Anita's World: Slight in Stature, Bold on Canvas." Award-winning artist Anita Roy (1919 to 2004) painted nature in vibrant colors on massive canvases. The exhibit will be available through Nov. 26 and is free and open to the public from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday and Saturday. Heritage Hall Museum is at 8394 E. Orange Ave. (County Road 48), Floral City. Special viewings can be arranged. Email [www.floralcityhc.org](http://www.floralcityhc.org) or call (352) 860-0101.

**Learn to stretch with Parks & Rec**

Citrus County Parks & Recreation offers a new low-impact stretching class. This ongoing class will be from 10 to 11 a.m. at Citrus Springs Community Center. Cost is \$5 per class. The low-impact class is easy, fun with good benefits. Stretching helps to make you more flexible, and regular stretching will help mobility and balance. This helps to slow down the onset of common degenerative conditions, such as osteoarthritis. Stretching increases physical and mental relaxation and reduces the risk of joint sprain, muscle strain or back problems. Low-impact exercises can improve health and fitness without harming weight-bearing joints. Research suggests that moderate-intensity, low-impact activity is just as effective as high-impact activity in lowering the risk of heart disease. For more information, visit [www.citruscountyparks.com](http://www.citruscountyparks.com) and click on instructional classes, or call (352) 465-7007.

**Citrus Co. Animal SERVICES**

**Buck**



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**Buck is an American bulldog/Catahoula leopard mix about 2 years old. He looks striking with one marble eye and one brown. He has a beautiful brown/black spotted coat. He's sweet, loves to be around people, and gives you all of his attention. He's a happy dog and will make a wonderful family pet. Buck is at Citrus County Animal Shelter, 4030 S. Airport Road, Inverness, behind the fairgrounds. View all adoptable pets at [www.citruscritters.com](http://www.citruscritters.com). Call (352) 746-8400.**

**Woman's Club seeks artisans**

*Annual show slated for October*

*Special to the Chronicle*

The GFWC Woman's Club of Inverness seeks new artisans to participate in its annual Artisans Boutique slated for Oct. 15 and 16 at the clubhouse across from Whispering Pines Park. Each artisan will be invited to an interview to

show the appropriateness and quality of work before being accepted for the Boutique. The committee also limits the number of artisans working within the same medium. The Artisans Boutique has been a successful venue for both artists and customers for six years,

heralded by the chosen artists because they do not have to be present for the show, as well as for customers who find unique, high-quality arts and crafts. For more information, call either of the co-chairwomen, Verna Lichlyter at (352) 564-0788 or Marcia Balonis at (352) 637-7139. Artisans who have participated in the event in earlier years should call to

express their interest in being in the show again. All profit from the Boutique will be donated to the club's various philanthropies, which include scholarships for students, support for CASA and Citrus United Basket, and state projects of the General Federation of Women's Clubs. The event is co-sponsored by the *Citrus County Chronicle*.

**Sharing her time in Brazil**



*Special to the Chronicle*

**Marlee White traded her senior year at Lecanto High School for an entire school year in Wenceslaw Braz, Parana, Brazil. All six Citrus County rotary clubs, with Central Citrus Rotary in the lead, sponsored White. She reported back to thank all of the clubs this week and talked about her amazing experience learning Portuguese, living with three host families who made her one of their own, new lifelong friends and an educational trip she will treasure for her entire life. For information on participating in Rotary Youth Exchange, call RYE Chairman Doug Lobel at (352) 400-0540.**

**2 library reading programs begin in Homosassa**

*Special to the Chronicle*

Join the excitement as the Homosassa Public Library begins a new Celebrate Reading program from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. Tuesdays. Celebrate Reading is a session consisting of two programs geared toward helping preschool and elementary school-age children develop literacy skills, improve their reading and gain a love of books. The first program, PAWS to Read, gives children the opportunity to build confidence in their reading ability by reading aloud to a certified therapist. The second program, Reading Pals, pairs teens and younger children together. Teens read storybooks aloud to one or two younger children at a time. Children may wish to draw or write about a story they like. Listening to stories, talking about stories and reading aloud are great ways to improve literacy skills while having a good time. For more information, call Kathy Wolf, youth librarian, at (352) 628-5626.

**News NOTES**

**Habitat homeowner orientation July 30**

Habitat for Humanity of Citrus County is looking for partner families to build their own Habitat home. People interested in becoming Habitat homeowners in 2011-12 should attend a mandatory orientation session from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, July 30, at Seven Rivers Presbyterian Church on Gulf-to-Lake Highway, Lecanto. Attendance is required to enter the Habitat program and apply for a Habitat home. Potential applicants will receive a full explanation of the program, timeline, income and service requirements and other information. Children cannot be accommodated at the meeting. For more information, call the Habitat office at (352) 563-2744. **Community choir offers three summer concerts** Citrus Community Concert Choir Inc. will present its summer concert, "Celebrating Some American Songwriters" featuring John Denver and others on three dates: July 31, Aug. 5 and Aug. 7. General admission is \$10; children 12 and younger are free. Presentations will be: July 31 at 2 p.m. at Our Lady of Grace Church, Roosevelt

Avenue, Beverly Hills; Aug. 5 at 7:30 p.m. at Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church, U.S. 41, Inverness; and Aug. 7 at 2 p.m. at Faith Lutheran Church, Crystal Glen Drive, Lecanto. For more information, visit [www.citruschoir.com](http://www.citruschoir.com) or call (352) 382-7071. **Vote online to support Mission in Citrus shelter** Mission in Citrus homeless shelter has joined the 2011 Pepsi Challenge. Facebook members can vote online at the special Pepsi website to help the shelter win \$50,000 for veterans, or set up a Pepsi account: [www.refresheverything.com/helpourhomelessvets](http://www.refresheverything.com/helpourhomelessvets). The site includes notes by Mission in Citrus leader Jim Sleighter, and a detailed budget chart. Members may vote for up to five ideas every day — the idea with the most votes by the July 31 deadline will win a grant from PepsiCo organizers. Winners will be announced Aug. 1. **Club offers weekly Zumba lessons** Yankeetown/Inglis Woman's Club is offering Zumba classes in air-conditioned comfort from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays. Everyone is welcome. For information, call (352) 447-2057.

**Religion NOTES**

**Homosassa SDA**

Elder Norman Deakin will deliver the sermon at the 11 a.m. divine service Saturday. The Sabbath school program with Superintendent Susanne Adams starts at 9:30 a.m. Sabbath school teacher Jerry Walker will teach about "Happy Are You, O Israel!" at 10 a.m. Sue Halstead will teach the 10 a.m. adult beginners Bible study class on "The Anti-Christ." Classes are provided for children. Bible study will be at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 2. Men's study group will meet at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 4. Food pantry is open from 3 to 5 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 2. For more information, call Bob Halstead at (352) 382-7753. The church is at 5863 Cardinal St.,

**Inverness SDA**

Homosassa. Saturday Sabbath school starts at 9:10 a.m. Saturday Children's classes begin at 9:30; adult bible study at 9:50 a.m. The new pastor, Elder John Sabo, brings the worship message, "Leaping Where You Cannot Look," at 11 a.m. Vespers at 7:30 p.m. in Mitchell Hall with Esther Barker showing "Church in the Wilderness" with Kenneth Cox. Thrift store is open 9 a.m. to noon Wednesday. The Health Food Store is open 9 a.m. to noon and reopens again at 7 p.m. after prayer meeting (6 p.m.) The Health Food Store is also open after Vespers. The church is inside Eden Gar-

dens, 4.5 miles east of Inverness off State Road 44. The church phone number is (352) 726-9311. See [www.sda-inverness.org](http://www.sda-inverness.org). **Hernando SDA** Hernando Seventh-day Adventist services start at 11 a.m. Saturday. A fellowship luncheon will follow the worship service and all are invited to attend. The adult Sabbath school program begins at 9:15 a.m. Saturday, followed at 10 a.m. by a Bible study. Classes for children are available at 9:30 a.m. There is a mid-week meeting at 6 p.m. Wednesday. The church is at 1880 N. Trucks Ave., Hernando; phone (352) 344-2008. **Glad Tidings** Sabbath school begins at 9:15

a.m. Saturday with song, then study at Glad Tidings Church. Divine hour follows at 11 a.m. Elder Shelley will bring the bread of life this Sabbath. A vegan lunch will follow. All are invited to worship with us on the day Jesus kept (Luke 4:16). Bible study is at 6 p.m. Thursday. All are invited. CHIP (Coronary Health Improvement Program) alumni meet at 5 p.m. the first Monday monthly. Interested persons are invited. For information, call Bob at (352) 628-1743. The church is at 520 N.E. Third Ave., Crystal River (behind the Gettin' Place Pawn Shop). **Advent Hope** Bible study is at 10 a.m. Saturday for all ages. The worship service begins at

11:30 a.m. After the service, there is a weekly potluck to which all are invited. Vegetarian store is open from 10 a.m. to noon each Wednesday. The church is at 428 N.E. Third Ave., Crystal River. Call (352) 794-0071 or visit online at [www.adventhopec church.com](http://www.adventhopec church.com). **Beth Shalom** Congregation Beth Shalom with Hazzan Mordecai Kamlot as cantor/spiritual leader, is the only synagogue in Citrus County and offers spirited and participatory-style weekly Friday evening and Saturday morning Shabbat services, along with social and cultural activities. The address is 102 Civic Circle, Beverly Hills. Call (352) 643-0995 or (352) 746-5303.

**News NOTES**

**Operation Welcome Home needs items**

Clubs are being sought to donate 9-ounce disposable cups and canisters of instant lemonade mix to raise funds for Operation Welcome Home, an effort that provides baskets of special gifts to soldiers returning from Middle East service. Operation Welcome Home will be set up in Crystal River and Inverness for Fourth of July events, as well as the monthly Farmer's Market day in downtown Inverness. Operation Welcome Home participates in other scheduled community events to raise money for its efforts, including November veterans' events. Gift cards are always welcome and can be used to purchase items for the baskets. To date, more than 300 baskets have been given and the effort will continue until all the troops are home. To help, call Barbara Mills at (352) 422-6236.

**Church offers respite program**

Catholic Charities, DOSP has openings in its respite program that meets from 12:30 to 4:30 p.m. Wednesdays at Our Lady of Grace Church in Beverly Hills. The program is for people with early stage Alzheimer's disease and other memory loss illnesses including stroke, Parkinson's disease or senile dementia. It offers caregivers short-term, dependable relief from day-to-day responsibilities, while providing loved ones the opportunity to participate in planned activities and loving relationships. For more information or to make an appointment to observe the program, call Marie Monahan at (800) 242-9012, ext 22.

**Applications sought for advisory board**

The Citrus County Veteran Services Department is accepting applications for a new Veterans' Services Advisory Board. This is a volunteer position created by the county commission in which members must be wartime veterans recommended by a local veterans' organization. Send applications with endorsements to: Board of County Commissioners, Support Services, Veterans' Services, 2804 Marc Knighton Court — Key No. 13, Lecanto, FL 34461-8334. For information, call (352) 527-5918. **Dragon boaters meet Wednesdays** Nature Coast Dragon Boat Club meets at 7:30 a.m. Wednesdays at Riverside Resort in Homosassa for its weekly practice sessions. The boat leaves the dock promptly at 8 a.m. Practice will be between 60 and 90 minutes. Call Ed at (352) 364-1882 for any questions or directions to Riverside Resort. All interested persons are invited.

■ Submit information at least two weeks before the event. ■ Early submission of timely material is appreciated, but multiple publications cannot be guaranteed.

■ Submit material at *Chronicle* offices in Inverness or Crystal River; by fax at (352) 563-3280; or email to [community@chronicleonline.com](mailto:community@chronicleonline.com).

■ Notes tend to run one week prior to the date of an event. Publication on a special day can't be guaranteed. ■ Expect notes to run no more than once.

FRIDAY EVENING JULY 29, 2011. Table with columns for time slots (6:00, 6:30, 7:00, 7:30, 8:00, 8:30, 9:00, 9:30, 10:00, 10:30, 11:00, 11:30) and rows for various TV channels (WESH, WEDU, WFTS, etc.) listing programs and their details.

PHILLIP ALDER Newspaper Enterprise Assn. Louis Pasteur, a famous French chemist and microbiologist who died in 1895, said, "Let me tell you the secret that has led me to my goal. My strength lies solely in my tenacity."

Bridge section featuring a hand with North and South hands, dealer information, and opening lead: ♦ J.

could have a combined holding of 25 or 26 points or the fit was particularly good. Here, though, North knows that they have at most 24 points and that the fit is bad.

JUMBLE THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME by David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek. Includes word search puzzles and a cartoon illustration of a rodent.

ACROSS and DOWN crossword puzzle clues and grid. Clues include 'Peculiar', 'Butterfly', 'Water-power org.', etc.

Answer to Previous Puzzle. Grid showing answers: TABBY, DIAL, UNREEL, BALBOA, GARBLE, OCELOT, OLIVER, EKE, PIPE, IRON, MSG, DEC, NUTS, TALE, LTD, KEEL, SLOB, MRI, ERGO, MOAT, ONO, RAG, YOWL, COAL, TAO, URANUS, AMPERE, ELATED, NEATEN, DAKOTA, SLED, RANCH.

Dear Annie: I am a 43-year-old male and have been in a common-law relationship with "Carol" for the past six years. I've never been married, but I proposed to Carol. We have a daughter together. I also have a teenager from a previous relationship, and Carol can't stand her.

to see a lawyer about custody and visitation with your daughter. Dear Annie: I am a 47-year-old woman who is considering ending two friendships I've had for 20 years. The three of us have gone through a lot together, including a time of "sowing our oats" after divorces when we were younger.

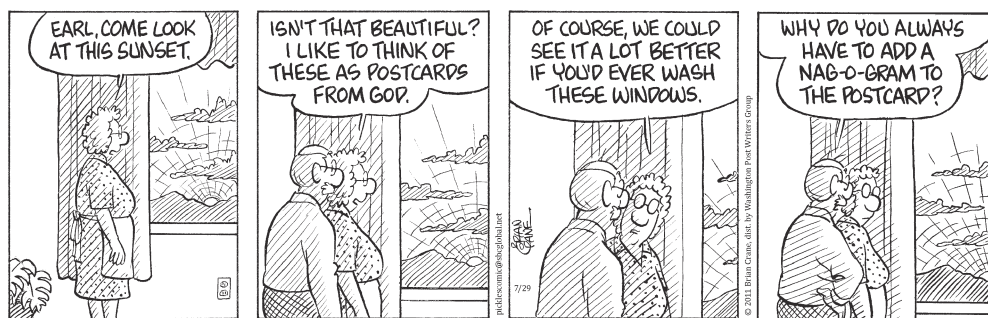
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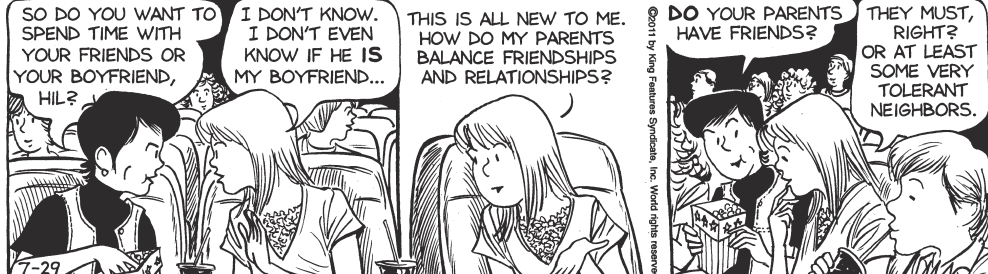
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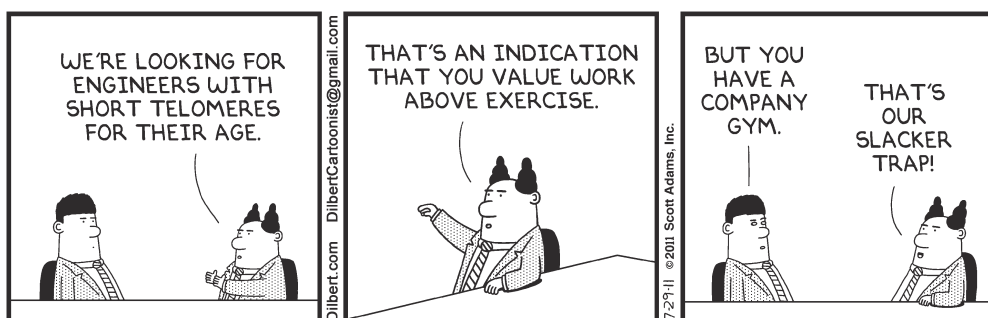
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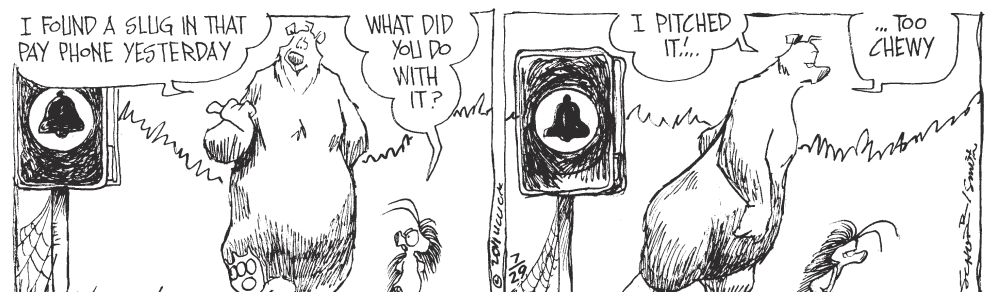
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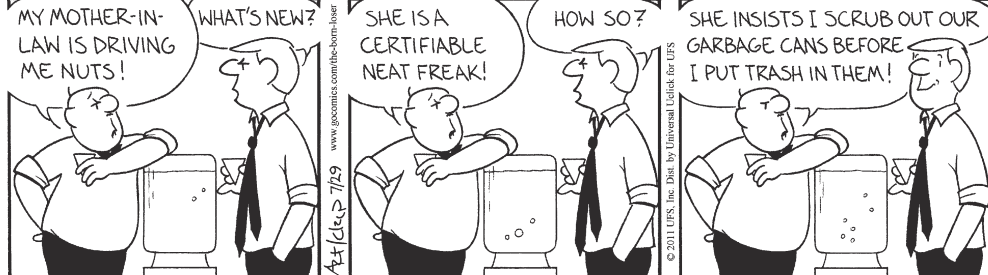
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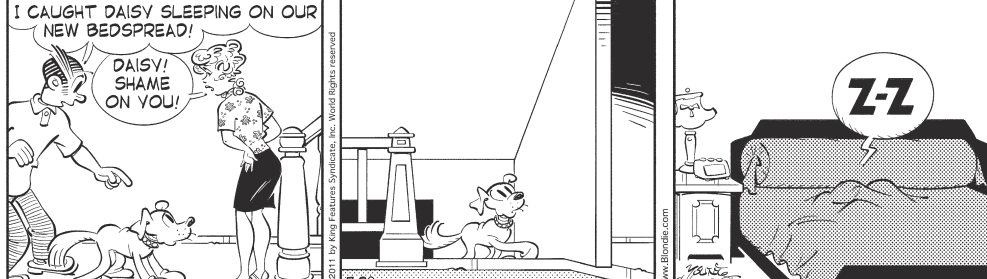
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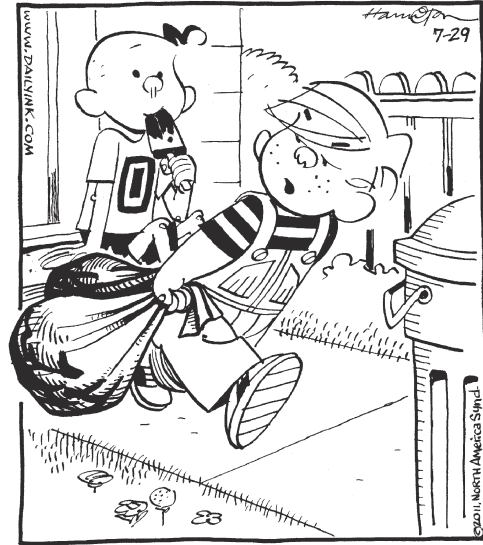
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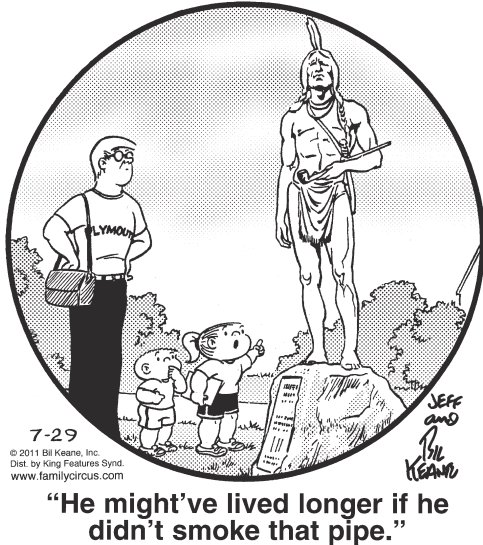
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Today's MOVIES

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Cowboys and Aliens (PG-13) 12:45 p.m., 3:45 p.m., 7:30 p.m., 10:30 p.m. No passes.
The Smurfs (PG) In Real 3D. 4:30 p.m., 9:45 p.m. No passes.
The Smurfs (PG) 1:20 p.m., 7:10 p.m. No passes.
Crazy, Stupid, Love (PG-13) 1:10 p.m., 4:20 p.m., 10:20 p.m., 7:40 p.m., 10:25 p.m.
Captain America: The First Avenger (PG-13) In Real 3D. 1 p.m., 7:15 p.m. No passes.
Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows 2 (PG-13) In Real 3D. 1 p.m., 4 p.m., 7:15 p.m., 9:50 p.m. No passes.
Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows 2 (PG-13) 12:30 p.m., 7 p.m.
Crystal River Mall 9; 564-6864
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Crazy, Stupid, Love (PG-13) 1 p.m., 4 p.m., 7:15 p.m., 10 p.m.
Cowboys and Aliens (PG-13) 1:30 p.m., 4:30 p.m., 7:40 p.m., 10:30 p.m. No passes.
Captain America: The First Avenger (PG-13) In Real 3D. 1:40 p.m., 7:20 p.m. No passes.
Friends with Benefits (R) ID required. 1:20 p.m., 4:50 p.m., 8 p.m., 10:35 p.m.
Winnie the Pooh (G) 12 p.m., 2:20 p.m., 4:25 p.m., 7:25 p.m., 9:45 p.m.
Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows 2 (PG-13) 1:55 p.m., 4:15 p.m., 4:35 p.m., 7:30 p.m., 10:05 p.m., 10:25 p.m.
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The Zookeeper (PG) 1:50 p.m.
Horrible Bosses (R) ID required. 4:55 p.m., 4:45 p.m., 7:50 p.m., 10:10 p.m.
Transformers (PG-13) 1:05 p.m., 7:35 p.m.
Transformers: Dark of the Moon (PG-13) In Real 3D. 4:20 p.m., 10:40 p.m. No passes.
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