



TODAY & Saturday morning  
**HIGH 95**  
**LOW 74**  
 Partly cloudy with a 30 percent chance of thunderstorms.  
 PAGE A4

NEWS BRIEFS

**Celebrity bartenders**

Discovery Channel's "Swamp Brothers" Stephen and Robbie Keszey will be celebrity bartenders at the Grove in Inverness on Saturday, Aug. 6, from 9 p.m. until closing.

Funds will go to Lecanto Primary School. Contact Katie Wright at (352) 302-3475 for more information.

**Emily brings rain, breaks up**

MIAMI — Former Tropical Storm Emily has broken apart after causing floods and damaging hundreds of homes in Haiti.

National Hurricane Center forecasters in Miami said late Thursday the storm is now a low-pressure system that is dumping rains over Hispaniola. All watches and warnings have been canceled.

Strong winds whipped through palm trees in the capital of Haiti while heavier rains fell further north, damaging homes as well as a cholera treatment center. But there were no reports of deaths.

INSIDE

DEBT DEAL:



**Cash crunch**

Solution puts military money on chopping block./Page A12

IN THE SPOTLIGHT:  
**Hamilton duo**

Two brothers to perform Saturday at Manatee Pub in Homosassa./Page C1

ON THE CATWALK:



**'Mad' fashion**

Banana Republic offers new line of polished office attire./Page B5

HAPPY BIRTHDAY:



**Obama is 50**

President Barack Obama celebrated his 50th birthday Thursday.

INDEX

- Comics . . . . .C9
- Community . . . . .C7
- Crossword . . . . .C8
- Editorial . . . . .A12
- Entertainment . . . . .B5
- Horoscope . . . . .B5
- Lottery Numbers . . . . .B4
- Lottery Payouts . . . . .B5
- Movies . . . . .C9
- Obituaries . . . . .A6
- Classifieds . . . . .C10
- TV Listings . . . . .C8



## Dow falls 512 points

*Stocks have steepest decline since '08 crisis*

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Gripped by fear of another recession, the financial markets suffered their worst day Thursday since the crisis of 2008. The Dow Jones industrial average fell more than 500 points, its ninth-steepest decline ever.

The sell-off wiped out the Dow's gains for 2011. It put the Dow and broader stock indexes into what investors call a correction — down 10 percent from the highs of this spring.

"We are continuing to be bombarded by worries about the global economy," said Bill Stone, the chief investment strategist for PNC Financial.

The day was reminiscent of the wild swings that defined the markets during the crisis three years ago. Gold prices briefly hit a record high, oil fell an extraordinary \$5 a barrel, and frightened investors were so desperate to get into some government bonds that they were willing to accept almost no return on

their money.

It was the most alarming day yet in the almost uninterrupted selling that has swept Wall Street for two weeks. Since July 21, the Dow has lost more than 1,300 points, or 10.5 percent of its value. It has closed lower nine of the 10 trading days since then.

For the day, the Dow closed down 512.76 points, at 11,383.68. It was the steepest point decline since Dec. 1, 2008.

Thursday's decline was the ninth-worst ever by points for the Dow. In percentage terms, the decline of 4.3 percent does not rank among the worst. On Black Monday in 1987, for exam-

ple, the market fell 22 percent.

Two weeks ago, investors appeared worried about the deadlocked negotiations in Washington over the debt ceiling. Almost immediately after that was solved, concerns about the economy took over, and the selling only accelerated.

On Thursday, growing fear about the weakening U.S. economy was joined by concern in Europe that the troubled economies of Italy and Spain might need help from the European Union.

The European Union has already given financial assistance to Greece and Ire-

See STOCKS/Page A11

## Walmart site shows signs of sinkholes

MIKE WRIGHT  
 Staff Writer

HOMOSASSA — The site being cleared for a new Walmart store on Cardinal Street and U.S. 19 shows signs of previously existing sinkholes that the company will fill if necessary before construction, officials said.

Robyn Felix, spokeswoman for the Southwest Florida Water Management District, said Walmart also has a remedial plan in case other sinkholes appear in areas set aside for stormwater runoff.

She said Walmart's permit with the water management district does not include any remedial work for existing sinkholes or any that may open up in areas outside the district's jurisdiction.

In fact, according to the Department of Environmental Protection, there is no agency that regulates sinkholes or their repair.

Felix said a ground-penetrating radar prepared by Walmart showed "anomalies" on the site that could indicate the presence of sinkholes just beneath the surface.

Walmart is building a 128,878-square-foot store that is scheduled for completion in spring 2012.

Felix said the water district's permit covers wetlands, flood plain and the stormwater system. If sinkholes appear in any of those areas, the permit includes Walmart's plan to fill them in. The district's permit doesn't apply if sinkholes appear anywhere else on the property.

Felix said the district wanted Walmart to agree to a remedial plan for future sinkholes because the area is karst sensitive and sinkholes were apparently on site before Walmart began developing the property.

Where there are any actual sinkholes on the site could not be determined. A survey provided by the company for its Citrus County development permit did not show any sinkholes, county spokeswoman Deborah Bloss said.

A reporter's inquiry to Walmart representatives was not answered.

Chronicle reporter Mike Wright can be reached at (352) 563-3228 or mwright@chronicleonline.com.

## Dogs get day in court



DAVE SIGLER/Chronicle

Citrus County Circuit Judges Richard "Ric" Howard and Sandy Counts talk to Susan Schrader and Janet Garvin about the Canine Assisted Testimony Program that will be implemented in court cases to bring comfort to children who have to testify in court. The dogs are intended to help in what can be very stressful situations.

### Therapy animals help calm children involved in proceedings

SHEMIR WILES  
 Staff Writer

INVERNESS — Testifying in court can be a scary prospect for anyone, but especially for a young child.

After already having been subjected to a traumatic event, many children who have been abused or have to be removed from their homes must then endure a bunch of strangers asking difficult questions concerning an event that is both unpleasant and terrifying.

To counteract the stress and anxiety children might feel going through the court system, a small group of therapy dogs and their handlers will be starting the new Canine Assisted Testimony (C.A.T.) program at the Citrus County Courthouse.

Ann Sanders, who has a registered therapy dog named Levi, said she and fellow handlers Susan Schrader and

Janet Garvin have been working for almost a year to set up the program. The group approached Circuit Judge Ric Howard with the idea and a formal proposal, and Sanders said he was all for it.

They also met with assistant state attorneys at the Citrus County State Attorney's Office, who welcomed the idea of having therapy dogs available for child victims.

Sanders said the dogs would be on hand before, during and after court testimony. During court testimony, she explained the dogs would not be allowed to be with the child on the stand but will be in the courtroom in a location where the child can see it.

Howard expressed excitement over starting the new program.

To see the video, click on this story at [www.chronicleonline.com](http://www.chronicleonline.com).



"Anything to make the courts user-friendly," he said Wednesday afternoon as he interacted with Levi and

fellow therapy dogs, Penny and Libby.

Circuit Judge Sandy Kautz, whose docket involves many dependency cases, also said she felt the program was a great addition at the courthouse. Currently, she said she allows children to color and watch TV to put them at ease, but the dogs will be an extra tool she can use.

Schrader said the program will serve as a pilot and eventually, the group will look to expand their services by helping any victim of a violent crime — not just children — and adding more handlers.

Sanders, Garvin and Schrader

See DOGS/Page A2

## Brothers arrested in string of burglaries

*Thefts occurred in east Citrus*

A.B. SIDIBE AND  
 SHEMIR WILES  
 Staff Writers

INVERNESS — The Citrus County Sheriff's Office investigators believe they have solved a rash of summer burglaries of east Citrus businesses with the arrest Thursday of two Inverness brothers.

Daniel Paul McKeown, 27, and Adam Michael McKeown, 22, were arrested and face multiple felony charges of theft, burglary and criminal mischief.

Investigators allege the brothers targeted businesses along a swath of area from Hernando through Inverness to Floral City.

Detective Stephen Conley, a property crimes investigator on the east side of the county, said Thursday the bulk of cases happened in the last couple of weeks, but they believe the brothers possibly committed more burglaries earlier in the summer. The investigation, therefore, is ongoing.

Conley said several of the



Adam McKeown

Hernando.

Patrol deputies reportedly caught the brothers near a closed business and one of them had a stolen recumbent bicycle.

Daniel was on probation at the time on several different charges. Adam has a juvenile record.



Daniel McKeown

sheriff's office and our business owners," Conley said.

During a search of the brothers' residence, items were recovered and reportedly belonging to the various businesses. Detectives were able to return a considerable amount of property.

According to their arrest

reports, the businesses hit by the McKeown brothers include a thrift store, smoke shop, a tavern, restaurants and a bike shop.

As of Thursday's press time, the brothers collectively face 48 separate counts of criminal charges.

Each brother's bond is \$87,750.

Chronicle reporter A.B. Sidibe can be reached at (352) 564-2925 or asidibe@chronicleonline.com.

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

# PSC to consider nuke costs

**JIM SAUNDERS**  
The News Service of Fla.

TALLAHASSEE — State regulators next week will plunge back into questions about expanding nuclear power in Florida — and consider the down payment that residents and businesses will have to make in 2012.

Florida Power & Light and Progress Energy Florida are seeking to pass along about \$335 million in nuclear costs to customers next year. While a large chunk of the money would go toward upgrading already-existing nuclear plants, customers also would cover expenses for new plants that are not slated to start operating for at least another decade.

The companies, backed by many state policymakers, contend that Florida needs to shift to more nuclear power to help reduce reliance on natural gas and coal and to save money for customers long term.

In a document earlier this year, Progress argued in favor of new nuclear reactors in Levy County by saying the company and Florida “need a more diverse energy portfolio to decrease their dependence on fossil fuels such as coal, natural gas and oil, which can be extremely volatile in price and supply. New, advanced-design nuclear power remains the best available technology to provide reliable electric service and to make significant reductions in greenhouse gas emissions.”

But attorneys for consumers, business and environmental groups are balking at many of the costs that the utilities want to pass along to ratepayers.

In filings with the Florida Public Service Commission, the attorneys openly questioned whether the utilities will wind up building the new nuclear plants. Also, they have pushed to get better information about how much the nuclear projects will ultimately cost and how long they will take.

“I think we are entitled to look at the big picture,” said Vicki Gordon Kaufman, an

**Florida Power & Light and Progress Energy Florida are seeking to pass along about \$335 million in nuclear costs to customers next year. While a large chunk of the money would go toward upgrading already-existing nuclear plants, customers also would cover expenses for new plants that are not slated to start operating for at least another decade.**

attorney for the Florida Industrial Power Users Group, a coalition of businesses that regularly takes part in utility cases.

The debate will play out during a multi-day hearing that is scheduled to start Wednesday at the Public Service Commission.

Trying to encourage more nuclear power, state lawmakers in 2006 approved allowing utilities to incrementally pass along project costs rather than waiting until a power plant starts operating.

As a result, FPL and Progress go before the Public Service Commission each year to justify the costs for their nuclear projects. But since the legislation passed, it also has meant customers have been required to pay for nuclear projects that will not start producing electricity for years — and might not ever be finished.

FPL is seeking approval to collect about \$196 million in 2012 to help upgrade nuclear plants in St. Lucie and Miami-Dade counties and to continue taking steps toward building two new reactors at the Miami-Dade site, which is known as Turkey Point.

If the commission goes along with FPL's request, a residential customer would pay \$2.09 a month next year to cover the costs. That figure is based on a customer who uses 1,000 kilowatt hours of electricity, though many customers use more than that amount.

Most of FPL's requested costs, about \$172 million, are related to upgrading the already-existing plants. In a filing with the commission, FPL President and Chief Executive Officer Armando

Olivera said those projects would increase the company's nuclear capacity about 15 percent.

But the other groups in the hearing are expected to dispute some of FPL's costs for the upgrade project. For example, the state Office of Public Counsel, which represents consumers, argues that FPL decisions to “fast track” the project led to higher-than-necessary costs — an argument that FPL disputes.

In contrast to FPL, most of the debate about Progress likely will center on its plans to build two new reactors in Levy County.

The utility is asking to collect about \$135 million next year for that project, with the company saying the reactors would start operating in 2021 and 2022. The total estimated cost of the project is between \$22 billion and \$25 billion, according to a filing by the Office of Public Counsel.

Deputy Public Counsel Charles Rehwinkel said Thursday he will likely argue that Progress should only be able to receive roughly half of the \$135 million it is requesting. He said he wants the commission to approve the “bare minimum” that Progress needs for costs such as the lengthy process of licensing the project.

Rehwinkel said Progress has already pushed back the estimated operating date of the project by about five years, and he questions whether it will be ready by 2021.

In a document filed with the commission, John Elnitsky, a Progress vice president, said the company is carrying out the Levy County project at a “slower pace” than earlier expected. But he said the company is doing the work

needed to meet the 2021 and 2022 dates.

As part of its request to the commission, Progress also sought about \$22 million to help pay for upgrading an existing nuclear plant at its Crystal River complex. But company spokesman Tim Leljedal said that request has shrunk to about \$5 million because Progress needs to do major repairs at the plant related to replacing concrete in a containment building's walls.

If the commission approves Progress' revised request for the Levy and Crystal River projects, residential customers in 2012 would pay about \$4.66 a month for 1,000 kilowatt hours to cover the costs, Leljedal said in an email.

The commission hearing comes at a time of heightened scrutiny of nuclear power, largely because an earthquake this year triggered a disaster at Japan's Fukushima plant.

But Florida leaders, including Gov. Rick Scott and many lawmakers, have made clear in recent years that they support expanding nuclear power. Also, the *St. Petersburg Times* reported this week that PSC Chairman Art Graham said he sees nuclear power as a critical power source in the future.

Mayco Villafana, an FPL spokesman, said in an e-mail this week that nuclear plants will save customers billions of dollars long term because they do not require the ongoing costs of buying fuel such as natural gas.

“Nuclear power continues to be an important part of providing affordable, clean and reliable electric service to our customers,” Villafana said.

# DOGS

Continued from Page A1

are volunteers and the program will cost taxpayers absolutely nothing.

“Anything the dogs need come out of our own pockets,” Schrader said. “We do it because we enjoy the dogs.”

Not all dogs have the temperament to become a therapy dog and all teams are required to successfully pass the American Kennel Club's Canine Good Citizen Testing, which is available at Citrus County Animal Services, and be members in good standing with Therapy Dogs Inc.

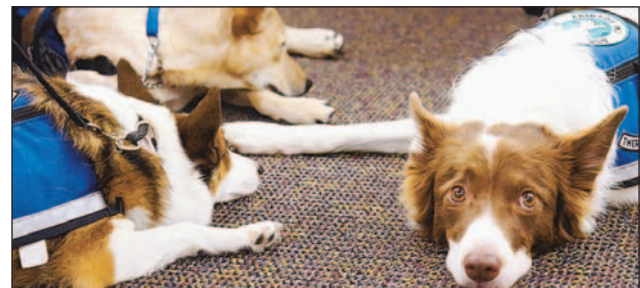
Training to become a therapy dog is intense but worth it when the group travels to nursing homes, hospitals and even the library to see the smiles the dogs put on people's faces.

Now that joy can be shared in a whole new way. “We are very fortunate in

Citrus County to have judges, state attorneys and others in official capacities who look beyond the case in front of them and are willing to step up to help begin the healing process even before the case disposition is reached by allowing these wonderful dogs to work their own kind of magic with the traumatized victims,” Sanders stated. “My work here would not be possible without the support of these people, and I wish to thank them from my heart for having so much compassion, understanding and love for the unfortunate child victims in our county.”

Anyone interested in the AKC's Canine Good Citizen Testing or becoming a member of Therapy Dogs Inc. may call Sanders at (352) 302-5626.

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



DAVE SIGLER/Chronicle

Levi, Libby and Penny are specially trained to bring calm to a stressful situation. The program will be allowed in Judge Howard's and Counts' courtrooms on a trial basis.

# RNC tests out its convention host city

Associated Press

TAMPA — The city that's hosted four Super Bowls should prepare for an even bigger event next year when Republicans nominate their candidate to try to unseat President Barack Obama, the national party chairman said Wednesday.

The Republican National Committee is holding its summer meetings here this week in part to preview the city that's hosting the party's convention, Reince Priebus said. “This is a Super Bowl times four. This is probably the biggest event the Tampa Bay community has ever put on thus far,” Priebus said. “There's going to be over 45,000 people here at one time. They're going to be here for over a week every day doing different things in the community — events, parties, gatherings, fundraisers. It's going to be extraordinary.”

And he described this week's meetings as a “miniature delegate experience”

with RNC members from all 50 states checking out hotels, restaurants and nightclubs for ideas on how to entertain their delegations.

He estimated \$175 million in outside money will be spent on the convention.

While it wasn't the only factor in choosing a host city, Florida, with 29 electoral votes, will play a huge role in deciding the presidency. Having the convention in Tampa will give the nominee that much more attention in the largest of swing states.

“It doesn't hurt having a convention there for our candidate,” said RNC Vice Chair Sharon Day, who lives in Florida. “It's a big positive. When you look at Florida, you look at a state that is America.”

Former Gov. Bob Martinez, a Tampa resident who's part of the planning discussions, said another benefit for the area is that the convention is taking place in what is normally the slow tourist season.

CHRONICLEONLINE.COM

**CLICK & SAVE**

Deal Ends Midnight Sunday Aug. 7

smart interiors  
home furnishings

**Smart Interiors II LLC**  
\$100 Gift Certificate for interior decor for only \$50

VALUE	% OFF	PRICE
\$100	50%	\$50

Buy Deal & Print Certificate only at [www.chronicleonline.com](http://www.chronicleonline.com)  
Click on **Click & Save**

**Smart Shoppers SAVE With Us**

**Coupons LEARN HOW!**

**COUPON CLASSES\***

\* \$10 Charge, (cash only please) Limited to 25 per class

**Aug. 6 & 13 • 10 am**

Led by super couponer **Joy Adcock**

Call **563-6363** MON. - FRI. - 8 to 5 to reserve your spot!

Classes being held at

**CHRONICLE**  
www.chronicleonline.com  
1624 N. Meadowcrest, Crystal River

**BATTLE of the BURGERS**

**Coming Soon**

[www.ChronicleOnline.com](http://www.ChronicleOnline.com) **CHRONICLE** LOVE MOTORSPORTS  
www.chronicleonline.com

*Around*  
**THE STATE**

**Dunnellon**

**82-year-old dies in parking-lot crash**

An 82-year-old Ocala man died in a single-vehicle crash Wednesday afternoon in a parking lot at 6850 S.W. 95th St., a Florida Highway Patrol report stated.

According to the report, Edward Casey was traveling westbound in the parking lot and drove off at the west end of the parking lot and struck a tree. He was transported to West Marion Community Hospital, where he was pronounced dead.

**Tallahassee**

**Fasano leads march on insurance rates**

State Sen. Mike Fasano is rallying Florida policyholders to join him in front of the Pasco County Government Center next Tuesday in a sign-waving protest of the proposed sinkhole rate increases sought by Citizens Property Insurance Corp.

Fasano is a New Port Richey Republican and outspoken critic of a Senate bill that passed earlier this year allowing Citizens to take any cap off sinkhole rates. He chose Pasco County for the protest since it has been ground zero for much of the recent sinkhole activity.

Citizens' board last week said it is seeking rate increases on sinkhole policies by 30 or 40 times in some cases.

**DROP applications soar ahead of cuts**

Public employees are flocking to Florida's Deferred Retirement Option Program to beat a benefit cut.

State officials on Thursday said they've received twice as many DROP applications this June as in the same month last year.

The 8,418 applications that teachers and state and local government workers submitted in June will qualify for 6.5 percent interest on deferred benefits.

Those who apply after a new law went into effect July 1 will get only 1.3 percent.

The DROP program is designed to encourage public employees to retire early.

**Gov. Rick Scott's top lobbyist resigns**

The turnover among top staffers is continuing in Gov. Rick Scott's administration just seven months since he took office.

The governor's chief lobbyist, Hayden Dempsey, resigned Wednesday.

Scott, though, appointed Dempsey to a part-time job on the board of Enterprise Florida, a public-private economic development agency.

Scott named one of Dempsey's assistants, Jon Costello, to succeed him.

Like Dempsey, Costello formerly lobbied for private clients.

The governor also recently replaced his chief of staff and his chief adviser resigned.

—From staff and wire reports

**Clarification**

A story on Page C1 of Thursday's edition, "Sweet Pickles," warrants additional information. Hours for Sweet Pickles Restaurant and Deli are 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday and 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday.

**Correction**

Because of incorrect information provided, a story on Page A1 of Thursday's edition, "A new lease on life," contained an error. In her first half-marathon Diane Heine came in ninth in her age class.

The *Chronicle* regrets the error. Readers can alert *The Citrus County Chronicle* to any errors in news articles by emailing [dmann@chronicleonline.com](mailto:dmann@chronicleonline.com) or by calling (352) 563-5660.

**Tompkins Street project enters final phase**

**A.B. SIDIBE**  
*Staff Writer*

INVERNESS — Work began Monday on the final phase of a major arterial road that officials hope will help advance a master plan to connect downtown Inverness to major roadways.

Pave-Rite Inc. was at

work on Phase II of the Tompkins Street improvement which will rebuild the road from Cherry Avenue west to Ella Avenue. The road runs parallel to State Road 44.

"We are going to widen the lanes, create a bicycle path and it will have traffic calming elements like landscap-

ing," said Ken Koch, director of development services.

Koch said the turn lanes at the junction of State Road 41 also will be widened to solve what has been a problematic spot for motorists.

"It will just guide the drivers better. Overall people will find things to be much smoother," he said.

Koch also believes that when completed, the road will be a reliever for S.R. 44.

He said the Tompkins Street project is part of a long-term plan by the city to upgrade all the major arteries, such as Apopka and Highland avenues, that lead to major roadways.

Another positive Koch said

he is already seeing is business development in the area.

The entire project is expected to cost about \$1.3 million and construction is scheduled to be complete in November.

*Chronicle reporter A.B. Sidibe can be reached at (352) 564-2925 or at [asidibe@chronicleonline.com](mailto:asidibe@chronicleonline.com).*



MATTHEW BECK/Chronicle

Some of the members of the Rock Crusher Road First Church of God lazily make their way down the Rainbow River near Dunnellon. They include, from left, Andy Mink, Cayle Hudgens, Micah Sugioka, Mikayla and Andrew Hill.

**A spirited day at play**

*Rock Crusher Road First Church of God youth group bonds over Summer Bash*

**MATTHEW BECK**  
*Staff Writer*

— DUNNELLON  
 Take mid-summer temperatures in the 90s, add 72-degree, clear, cool spring water and throw in an inner tube and you get the perfect combination for sun and fun.

That's what 17 members of the Rock Crusher Road First Church of God found Friday as they took part in a church activity over the weekend called Summer Bash at the Rainbow River near Dunnellon.

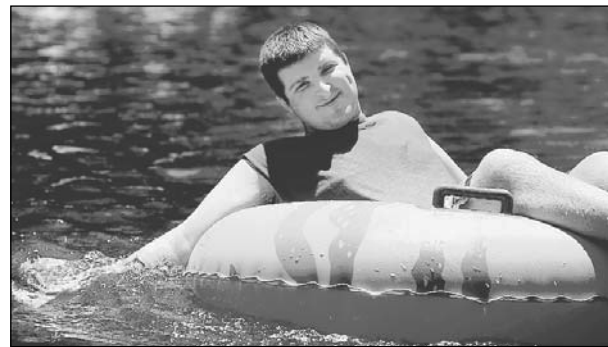
The purpose of the event was twofold, according to church youth leaders. They planned numerous activities for their youth members to

give a loving farewell to the teens who have graduated high school and will be leaving the department.

At the same time they used the opportunity to welcome in younger members who have just become old enough to participate in the youth department's activities.

Bible study, a Friday evening cookout, water activities and an overnight campout Friday were among the activities.

As teenager Cayle Hudgens prepared to climb from the river, he said he was excited to see some large bass lazily swimming in the crystal-clear river water. He said it was his first time tubing the river and



Matthew Gosse was all smiles Friday afternoon while slowly floating down the Rainbow River.

enjoyed the activity.

Fourteen-year-old Micah Sugioka's impressions of the Rainbow River were "very clear and very cold," he said with a smile.

Youth coordinator Wendy Sugioka made the trek with the kids and felt the one-on-one

time with the youths was most special to her. "As youth leaders, we are looking for good, clean fun and fellowship," she said. "We are looking for more fun things to do with our youth than the many destructive things out there. And it's a different way to bond dif-

ferent age groups."

Andy Mink said that while she is a bit nervous in and around the water, she was most looking forward to the camping later in the evening. The best part of camping for her? "S'mores, of course."

The Rock Crusher Road First Church of God is in Crystal River on North Rock Crusher Road. The youth department meets weekly on Wednesday evening at 6:30 p.m. for Bible study and other planned activities. The church can be reached at (352) 795-5553.

*Chronicle reporter Matthew Beck can be reached (352) 564-2919 or [mbeck@chronicleonline.com](mailto:mbeck@chronicleonline.com).*

**Motorcyclist airlifted to Gainesville after rush-hour collision**

**A.B. SIDIBE**  
*Staff Writer*

INVERNESS — A Lecanto motorcyclist is in stable condition at Shands Hospital after a rush-hour crash Wednesday evening.

At 4:46 p.m. Wednesday Robert Brust, 61, was traveling west on State Road 44 on his 2004 Honda motorcycle when he struck a 2011 Lincoln MKZ driven by Anthony Proterra.

Proterra, 91, was traveling eastbound and on the verge of turning left into the driveway at 2505 S.R. 44 when the crash occurred.

Brust was ejected from his bike and was later airlifted to Gainesville, where he was said to be in stable condition Thursday at

the Shands ICU, according to Citrus County Sheriff's Office spokeswoman Gail Tierney.

Westbound traffic on S.R. 44 was snarled for nearly 40 minutes because the helicopter used to ferry Brust to the hospital had to land on the road, Tierney said.

Proterra was wearing his seatbelt at the time of the crash. Brust was wearing a helmet.

"The deputy at the scene said the helmet helped save Brust's life," Tierney said.

The crash is blamed on Proterra and charges are pending, Tierney added.

*Chronicle reporter A.B. Sidibe can be reached at (352) 564-2925 or at [asidibe@chronicleonline.com](mailto:asidibe@chronicleonline.com).*

**Report of burning vehicle leads deputy to site of woman's death**

**JEFF BRYAN**  
*Special to the Chronicle*

DUNNELLON — A 50-year-old Ocala woman was found shot and killed Wednesday morning in front of her house in the Lake Tropicana area, which is slightly north of Dunnellon.

According to law enforcement authorities, Linda Jean Cage was found in front of her home, a 10-acre farm in the Westwood Acres North community. Authorities were responding to a call about a

pickup truck burning along the 17000 block of Southwest 34th Street in the Lake Tropicana area. Once the fire was extinguished, the deputy got the necessary information to identify the owner of the truck and drove to that listed address, a report stated.

According to the report, when the deputy arrived at 17000 S.W. 46th Street, Dunnellon, he saw Cage in the driveway, already dead. Authorities said the distance between the two points is approximately one mile.

Authorities provided no information about where Cage was shot, how many times or the type of weapon used in the shooting.

Crime Stoppers is offering a reward of up to \$1,000 for information in this case and the Sheriff's Office is offering a reward of up to \$5,000 for a conviction. Anyone who has information or knew Cage can call Crime Stoppers at (352) 368-7867 or Detective Rhonda Stroup at (352) 369-6845.

*Jeff Bryan is the editor of the Riverland News.*

**Forecasters predict busy end to hurricane season**

*Associated Press*

MIAMI — Exceptionally high ocean temperatures and atmospheric conditions that support hurricane development will keep the Atlantic and Caribbean on

track for an above-average storm season, U.S. forecasters said Thursday.

The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration slightly upgraded its May outlook, calling for 14 to 19 named

tropical storms, up from a range of 14 to 18.

That includes the five tropical storms that have formed since the six-month hurricane season started June 1. It ends Nov. 30.

"We expect considerable activity," said

Gerry Bell, lead seasonal hurricane forecaster at NOAA's Climate Prediction Center in Washington.

The last major hurricane to strike the U.S. was Category 3 Hurricane Wilma, which made landfall in 2005.



# Poll: Debt ceiling fight hurts Obama in Fla.

Associated Press

TALLAHASSEE — President Barack Obama is losing support among Florida voters, especially among independents, a poll released Thursday shows.

Fifty percent of voters surveyed randomly by landline telephone between July 27 and Aug. 2 by Quinnipiac (Conn.) University said Obama would not deserve a second term in the election were held today. However, former Massachusetts Gov. Mitt Romney was the only announced Republican candidate with enough support in the poll to give the president a strong challenge.

Both men were favored by 44 percent of those questioned.

In a matchup against Texas Gov. Rick Perry, who is expected to get into the race for the GOP presidential nomination, Obama was favored 44 percent to 39 percent. However, Obama held double-digit leads over all other Republican presidential hopefuls.

Romney, an unsuccessful candidate for the Republican nomination in 2008, led Perry 23 percent to 13 percent in a sampling of 510 Republican voters with none of the other announced candidates reaching double digits. "Gov. Perry's stock is ris-

ing even before he announces whether he'll run," said Peter Brown, assistant director for Quinnipiac's polling institute.

The margin of error in the survey of 1,417 voters that ended Tuesday was plus or minus 4.3 percentage points.

And while 50 percent of those surveyed said they approved of the debt ceiling deal, only 2 percent said they were enthusiastic about the settlement compared to 18 percent who registered as angry, including nearly a fourth — 23 percent — of independents.

It was with independents where Obama took his biggest hit. Sixty-one per-

cent of independents said they now disapprove of the president's performance compared to 33 percent who approved. In May, 47 percent of the independents approved of Obama's job performance compared to 45 percent who did not.

Obama wasn't helped by the recent fight with Congress over raising the nation's debt ceiling, the poll indicated.

The president's popularity dipped slightly in Quinnipiac's survey of 743 voters after the long, acrimonious battle on the debt ceiling. His negative rating increased from 50 percent to 51 percent despite most re-

spondents, 36 percent, saying he acted in their best interests during the lengthy debate compared to 32 percent for Republican House Speaker John Boehner and 12 percent for Democratic Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid.

Overall, 42 percent said the president deserves re-election.

Obama's job approval rating in Florida was 44 percent compared to 51 percent who disapproved, a drop from a 51-43 favorable rating he enjoyed in a May survey by Quinnipiac shortly after U.S. Navy SEALs killed terrorist leader Osama bin Laden in Pakistan.

## State BRIEFS

### Advocate urges insurer to phase in hikes

TALLAHASSEE — Florida's insurance consumer advocate is telling Citizens Property Insurance Corp. to consider incremental rate increases on its sinkhole coverage instead of hitting its customers with unaffordable hikes.

Advocate Robin Westcott sent a copy of the letter sent to the state-backed insurer Wednesday to Florida Insurance Commissioner Kevin McCarty. It is McCarty's office that decides what action on rate requests.

Citizens' board last week recommended rate increases of more than 400 percent on average for sinkhole policies.

Citizens' claims it has lost more than \$200 million in recent years on its sinkhole business.

### Firearm parts found in airport restroom

TAMPA — Tampa International Airport officials said firearms parts were found in a woman's restroom at the main terminal of Tampa International Airport, outside the security checkpoint.

The parts, belonging to several weapons, were found Wednesday. Officials didn't specify what types of weapons the parts came from.

The agencies investigating include airport police, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, the Pasco County Sheriff's Office and the Florida Department of Law Enforcement.

Officers are investigating whether the firearms parts are linked to a recent incident in Zephyrhills where a police car was fired upon. Officials are searching for three siblings in connection with that incident.

### Citrus canker suit nets residents \$19M

WEST PALM BEACH — Thousands of Palm Beach County residents have been awarded more than \$19 million to compensate them for fruit trees the state destroyed in an attempt to eradicate citrus canker.

Residents' attorney Bobby Gilbert said Thursday the total includes interest and an average value of \$210 per tree. More than 66,000 citrus trees in Palm Beach County were destroyed during the eradication effort from 2000 to 2006.

Similar lawsuits are also pending in Miami-Dade, Lee and Orange counties.

The state abandoned the multimillion-dollar canker eradication effort in 2006 after concluding it would never work.

### Man fatally shoots himself cleaning gun

ST. PETERSBURG — Authorities said a Tampa Bay area man accidentally shot and killed himself.

St. Petersburg police said 50-year-old Wilfredo LaFontaine was on the phone with his girlfriend Wednesday as they were preparing to move out of their apartment. The girlfriend was in the leasing office of Tamarind Bay Apartments to return their keys when she heard a stumble and a pop over the phone.

Police said the girlfriend and a leasing agent rushed back to the apartment, where they found LaFontaine slumped against the door with a gunshot wound to his chest. He was still alive when officers and paramedics arrived. Police said he indicated that he had been preparing to clean his revolver.

LaFontaine was taken to a nearby hospital, where he died. Investigators deemed the shooting an accident.

—From wire reports

# RNC rejects tough sanctions on primary calendar

Associated Press

TAMPA — It has become known as the "Arizona situation" in the hallways of the Tampa Marriott Waterside Hotel.

As members of the Republican National Committee gather here for a summer meeting, Arizona Gov. Jan Brewer's desire to hold her state's GOP primary in late January — ahead of states that traditionally go first like Iowa and New Hampshire — has some party leaders worried that the change could upend the presidential primary calendar and add uncertainty to an already unsettled nomination fight.

That's what the RNC had hoped to prevent when it passed rules last year intended to punish states that try to leapfrog four early voting states — Iowa, New Hampshire, Nevada and South Carolina — while giving incentives to those that scheduled theirs later, honoring the tradition of how the GOP chooses a challenger to President Barack Obama.

Despite the party's efforts, a slew of states — including Florida and Michigan — are considering scheduling their contests much earlier in

2012, though still after the four states, to try to reap economic benefits and political influence that come with the every-four-years spotlight. The RNC is quietly working to accommodate some of those states.

Arizona, however, presents a different challenge. The southwestern state changed its law to say that it would hold its primary no later than Feb. 28. Brewer alone has the power to decide the precise date, and her spokesman confirmed that she is "leaning toward" a Jan. 31 primary — well before the four states plan to hold theirs.

"The big fly in the ointment right now is Arizona," said Phyllis Woods, the national committee-woman for New Hampshire. Indeed, some Republicans here worry that Arizona's January date will prompt Iowa, New Hampshire, Nevada and South Carolina to hold their contests even earlier. Both Iowa, which typically holds the leadoff caucuses, and New Hampshire, the first-in-the-nation primary state, fiercely protect their status and have made clear they will be first — even if that means in late 2011.

Iowa GOP Chairman Matthew Strawn raised that possibility, saying: "I can speak for Iowans who don't want a knock on their door from a candidate on Christmas Eve as they're wrapping presents."

# Judge dismisses suit against insurance chief

Associated Press

TALLAHASSEE — A federal judge Thursday threw out a lawsuit against Florida's insurance commissioner even though the official had opposed dismissing the case.

Kevin McCarty argued that keeping the litigation alive would have given him the opportunity to clear his name against the lawsuit's claim that he violated the constitutional rights of a Texas insurer and its owner by trying to keep the company from doing business in Florida.

The suit also accused McCarty of having "a deep hunger for revenge" against the plaintiffs and defaming them by labeling the company "untrustworthy" and "incompetent" in public documents.

U.S. District Judge Robert Hinkle ruled that giving McCarty, who denied

the allegations, a chance to "win the media war is a poor reason to prolong a lawsuit."

Hinkle granted a motion by Dallas National Insurance Co. and owner Charles David Wood Jr. to voluntarily dismiss their suit without prejudice. That means they can file it again in the future. The dismissal, though, also allows McCarty to seek payment of his legal expenses from the plaintiffs.

"Whatever one might say about the legal formalities, it seems likely that in the world of public opinion — or in the media — when a case is dismissed, it means the defendant won," Hinkle wrote.

McCarty's office issued a statement expressing agreement with that statement.

A lawyer for Dallas National did not immediately respond to a phone message seeking comment.

Hinkle also rejected Mc-

Carty's argument that dismissing without prejudice would deprive him of an opportunity to pursue a malicious prosecution claim against the plaintiffs. The judge wrote that facilitating the ability to file yet another lawsuit also is no reason to prolong the litigation.

The suit alleged McCarty was trying to settle a score because Wood had loaned \$5 million to Bankers Insurance Co. after Bankers conducted an illegal investigation focusing on McCarty's suspected "romantic relationship with other men" in the 1990s.

The investigation included tapping McCarty's phone and hiring a private investigator in hopes of getting him fired as an industry coordinator with the Office of Insurance Regulation, which he now heads.

McCarty sued and Bankers settled for \$2.55 million in 2000.



**Unplug** from your electric bill  
**Savings.** plug into

**SAVE \$100**

ENDS 8/31/11. Not valid with other offers.

**Don't Be Fooled By Imitations!**  
Visit our local showroom to experience the difference.

Local: 352.307.7077 | Toll-Free: 866.767.6527  
13624 S. US Hwy. 441, Summerfield, FL 34491  
www.TheSolarGuys.com

Certified General Contractor CCG1518621 | Certified Roofing Contractor CCR1329445

**CARPET • TILE • WOOD • VINYL • LAMINATE**

**FREE** Floor Care Cleaner with purchase

**LEPAGE**

**CARPET & TILE**

**72 Hour Installation** (in-stock goods only)

**527-1811 FREE ESTIMATES**

44 W. Gulf To Lake Hwy. - Lecanto (next to landfill)

**SERVING CITRUS COUNTY SINCE 1975**

**WEEKLY AQUATIC TREATMENT SCHEDULE FOR CITRUS COUNTY**

Citrus County's Aquatic Services Division plans the following aquatic weed control activities for the **week beginning August 8, 2011.**

**HERBICIDE TREATMENTS**

Hernando Pool	Torpedogross / Hydrilla / Nuphar / Willows	Glyphosate / Aquathol / Super K / 2 / 4D
Inverness Pool	Duckweed / Torpedogross / Hydrilla / Nuphar / Willows / Limnophila / S. Naiad	Diquat / Glyphosate / Aquathol / Super K / 2 / 4D
Floral City Pool	Torpedogross / Paspalum / Floating Heart / Floating	Glyphosate / Diquat

**MECHANICAL HARVESTING**

Hernando Pool	Tussocks
Inverness Pool	Nitella
Crystal River	Lyngbya
Chassahowitzka River	Hydrilla / Cabomba
Halls River	Lyngbya

All treatments are contingent upon weather conditions and water quality. Treated areas will be identified with "Warning Signs" indicating the date of treatment and the necessary water use restrictions. For further information, please call 352-527-7620.  
Citrus County  
Division of Aquatic Services

WELCOME TO

*Rocco's Cafe*

352-563-0442  
Your Hosts: Joe and Daisy Salimeni

**The Best of Italian Cuisine**  
IN AN AUTHENTIC ITALIAN ATMOSPHERE

Italian born Joseph Salimeni and wife Daisy, take pride in preparing excellent food and offering the best service to make you feel part of the family.

"Dove la famiglia, gli amici ed il buon alimento vengono insieme!" which means "Where family, friends and good food come together."

They blend the best vegetables, seafood, veal, chicken and steak with the creativity of their Italian chefs. The menu offers delicious entrees such as Chicken Milanese, Osso Bucco, Rack of Lamb, Roasted Prime Rib, Salmon, Shrimp, Stuffed Grouper, and Surf & Turf.

Start your dining experience with a glass of Italian Sangria, Lambrusco or Chianti. Rocco's serves a wide array of Italian and American wines. Enjoy Grandma Salimeni's homemade

soups or Mussels Ala Rocco's, and finish with a delectable homemade Italian dessert. On the lighter side, paninis, wraps and salads are available at lunch.

Rocco's now features a new on-site catering facility. Enjoy private dining for a wedding reception, shower, family reunion or corporate meeting. Accommodating up to 100 guests, catering and a buffet menu is available.

Rocco's Café is located in the Bella Vista Plaza on Hwy. 44 in Crystal River. Dine in or carry out service available. Serving beer and wine.

**SERVING LUNCH AND DINNER**

Open Mon. - Thurs. 11 am - 9 pm  
Fri. & Sat. 11 am - 10 pm  
Sun. 12 - 9 pm.

**Upscale Italian Cuisine, Coffee, Desserts & More...**



**Obituaries**



**Ronald Bailey, 63**  
GAINESVILLE

Ronald E. Bailey, 63, died July 31, 2011, with his family by his side in Gainesville, Florida.

He was born on April 14, 1948, in Jacksonville, FL, to James and Berniece Bailey. He went to high school at St. Pete High and graduated in 1966. He completed his college education at SPCC and USF, specializing in computer programming. He was also a proud veteran of the U.S. Army and spent a year serving in the Vietnam War.

Ron was a native Floridian and spent the past six years of his life living the "simple life" in Lawtey, Florida. He enjoyed spending his days fishing, watching wildlife, doing yardwork and spending time with friends and family, especially his dog Daisy.

He was a strong and faithful believer in Christ. He attended Grace United Methodist church in Gainesville for many years and served on the finance committee. He was devoted to his family and friends, but most of all God. The world is a better place because of him.

He is survived by his wife, Arlene Bailey; daughter, Bonnie Bailey; sister, Kathy Moncrief; nieces and spouse, Melissa and Doug Walls and Michelle Parkes; nephews and spouses, Matt and Lesley Moncrief and Chris and Lisa Parkes; mother-in-law, Agnes Chamberlin; stepdaughter and spouse, Crystal and Jeff Fournier; stepson, Daniel Smith; as well as his best friend and spouse, "Shorty" and Susan Anderson.

He was preceded in death by his parents, James and Berniece Bailey, and his daughter, Toni Bailey.

A celebration of life will be Sunday, August 7, at 3 p.m. at Grace at Fort Clarke United Methodist Church of Gainesville, 9325 Newberry Road, Gainesville, 32606. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Toni's Place. Donations can be made online at [www.tonisplace-gainesville.com](http://www.tonisplace-gainesville.com).

Condolences may be sent to the family by signing Ron's online page at [WWW.HonoringLives.com](http://WWW.HonoringLives.com).

Leona Carol Field, 63, of Dunnellon, Florida, passed away July 30, 2011. She was born on February 23, 1948,

in Birmingham, AL, to Calvin and Betty (Carver) Cochran. Leona moved to Citrus County 15 years ago with her husband, Patrick, from Marathon, Florida. She worked for the Monroe County Property Appraiser's office for 18 years as a deputy appraiser and joined the Citrus County Property Appraiser's Office as a land valuation specialist in both commercial and residential properties five years ago.



**Leona Field**

She was preceded in death by her husband, Patrick Field, and her mother, Betty Cochran. She is survived by her father, Calvin Cochran; two sons, David and Lori Luley and Michael Minor; two brothers, James and Judy Cochran and Calvin Cochran Jr.; four grandchildren, Joshua Sage Luley, David Casey Luley, Cody Ryan Luley and William Shawn Minor; two nephews, Nick Cochran and Joshua Cochran; and one niece, Brandy Allison.

A celebration of Leona's life will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, August 6, at Leona's home, 6439 West Riverbend Road, Dunnellon, FL. Private cremation will take place under the direction of Brown Funeral Home and crematory in Lecanto, FL.

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

Salvatore R. Mazzone Jr., 76, of Hernando, FL, died on August 3, 2011, at Citrus Memorial hospital. Sal was born on May 11, 1935, in Norwalk, CT, the son of Sal and Rose Mazzone. He was a U.S. Navy veteran of the Korean conflict. Salvatore was retired from the A&P Supermarket Chain and was a store manager for various stores in Westchester County, NY. He moved to Citrus Hills in 2004 from Norwalk. He was a member of Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church and the church choir, the Knights of Columbus No. 6168 and the Inverness Elks No. 2522.

Sal was preceded in death by his son, Salvatore R. Mazzone III, and his sister, Lucille Poruban. Survivors include his wife of 53 years, Jeannette B. Mazzone

of Hernando, FL; siblings, Joseph Mazzone of Wilton, CT, Jean Mazzone of CT, Marilyn Rogers (Louis) of Ormond Beach, FL, Robert Mazzone (Wilma) Milford, CT, James Mazzone of Pompano Beach, FL and Rosemarie Pizzi (John) Orange, CT.

Salvatore's family will receive friends at the Heinz Funeral Home in Inverness from 5 to 6:30 p.m. Friday, August 5, 2011, with a vigil service beginning at 6:30 p.m. The Mass of Christian Burial will be offered at 10 a.m. Monday, August 8, 2011, at Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church. Interment with military honors will follow at Florida National Cemetery in Bushnell, FL. In lieu of flowers, donations may be given to the Family Resource Center of Citrus at 2435 N. Florida Ave Hernando, FL 34442. Heinz Funeral Home & Cremation, Inverness, FL.

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

Ruth Marie Reynolds, 90, of Floral City, FL, died on Wednesday, August 3, 2011, at Citrus Memorial Hospital. Ruth was born on November 10, 1920, in Rochester, NY, the daughter of William and Irene St. John. She moved to Floral City in 1991 from Tampa, FL. Ruth was Catholic.

Mrs. Reynolds is survived by her son, Steve Jones of Titusville, FL; daughter, Leanne Scott (John) of Tampa, FL; five grandchildren, Todd, Scott, Trent, Tracey and Terry; five great-grandchildren, Courtney, Madeline, Brittany, Cassidy, and Delaney; and one great-grandson, Michael.

A memorial service for Mrs. Reynolds will be held at 1 p.m. on Wednesday, August 10, 2011, at Heinz Funeral Home in Inverness. The family will receive friends from 12:30 p.m. until the hour of service. Heinz Funeral Home & Cremation, Inverness.

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

Roger L. Moore, 67, of Floral City, died Thursday, August 4, 2011, under the loving care of his family and HPH Hospice at his residence. A Funeral Service of Remembrance will be held on Monday, August 8, 2011, at 1 p.m. at the Chas. E. Davis Funeral Home. Burial will follow at the Florida National Cemetery with military honors rendered by Hernando VFW Post No. 4252. The family will receive friends in visitation from noon until the hour of service.

Roger was born on January 20, 1944, in Glendale, W.V., to the late Grover Cleveland and Mary (Ice) Moore and came to this area in 1981 from there. He served our country in the U.S. Army. Roger was a heavy equipment mechanic and welder. He enjoyed hunting and restoring old cars. He was a life member of Hernando VFW Post No. 4252.

Survivors include his wife of 20 years, Carol Moore, Floral City; stepson, Danny; stepdaughters, Carol Lee and Carrie Ann; five sisters, Rosalie, Shelby, Hazel, Janet and Judy; and a very dear friend, Angel Sanchez.

The family requests donations in Roger's memory to HPH Hospice-Citrus Office, 3545 N. Lecanto Hwy, Beverly Hills, FL 34465-3503 in lieu of flowers.

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

**Ruth Reynolds, 90**  
FLORAL CITY

Ruth Marie Reynolds, 90, of Floral City, FL, died on Wednesday, August 3, 2011, at Citrus Memorial Hospital. Ruth was born on November 10, 1920, in Rochester, NY, the daughter of William and Irene St. John. She moved to Floral City in 1991 from Tampa, FL. Ruth was Catholic.

Mrs. Reynolds is survived by her son, Steve Jones of Titusville, FL; daughter, Leanne Scott (John) of Tampa, FL; five grandchildren, Todd, Scott, Trent, Tracey and Terry; five great-grandchildren, Courtney, Madeline, Brittany, Cassidy, and Delaney; and one great-grandson, Michael.

A memorial service for Mrs. Reynolds will be held at 1 p.m. on Wednesday, August 10, 2011, at Heinz Funeral Home in Inverness. The family will receive friends from 12:30 p.m. until the hour of service. Heinz Funeral Home & Cremation, Inverness.

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

**Mack Townley, 89**  
INVERNESS

Mack Shelby Townley, 89, of Inverness, died Monday, August 1, 2011, at Citrus Memorial hospital. A Celebration of Life Memorial Service will be on Tuesday, August 9, 2011, at 11 a.m. at the First Presbyterian Church of Inverness.

Mack was born on November 24, 1921, in Okaloosa, Iowa, to the late H. Jay and Hurl (Vernon) Townley and came to this area in 1991 from High Springs, FL. He served our country in the U.S. Army during WWII. He was the owner/operator of his own hotel and then retired from the Broward County Sher-

iff's Office as a deputy. Mack enjoyed traveling and camping, gardening and feeding and watching the birds in his yard. He was a member of the Elks Lodge for over 35 years.

Survivors include his wife of 44 years, Nancy Townley, Inverness; two sons, Scott (Kathy) Townley, Bozeman, MT, and Patrick (Glenda) Townley, Gainesville, FL; stepson, Ron (Kathy) Hinnners, Louisville, KY; two stepdaughters, Nanci (Brian) Jensen, Prescott, AZ, and Debbie (Ann) Hinnners, Tampa, FL; four grandchildren, Chris and Tyler Townley and Jason and Rob Hinnners; and two great-grandchildren, Nate and Lucy Hinnners.

The family requests donations in Mack's memory to Journey Church, 1794 Baxter Lane E., Bozeman, MT, 59718, memo: Ethiopia/Mack in lieu of flowers. Chas. E. Davis Funeral Home with Crematory is in charge of arrangements. There will be no calling hours at the funeral home.

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

**Claudia Wetzel, 61**  
HOMOSASSA

A memorial service for Mrs. Claudia J. Wetzel, 61, of Homosassa, will be at 11 a.m. Sunday, August 14, 2011, at Tiger Tail Bay on Tiger Tail Island. Cremation was under the direction of the Homosassa Chapel of Hooper Funeral Homes.

She was preceded in death by her husband, James Wetzel, and her daughter, Patricia Wetzel. She is survived by her son, James Wetzel, and her daughter, Linda Wetzel.

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

**Claudia Wetzel, 61**  
HOMOSASSA

A memorial service for Mrs. Claudia J. Wetzel, 61, of Homosassa, will be at 11 a.m. Sunday, August 14, 2011, at Tiger Tail Bay on Tiger Tail Island. Cremation was under the direction of the Homosassa Chapel of Hooper Funeral Homes.

She was preceded in death by her husband, James Wetzel, and her daughter, Patricia Wetzel. She is survived by her son, James Wetzel, and her daughter, Linda Wetzel.

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

**OBITUARIES**

- The Citrus County Chronicle's policy permits both free and paid obituaries.
- Obituaries must be submitted by the funeral home or society in charge of arrangements.
- Free obituaries, run one day, can include: full name of deceased; age; hometown/state; date of death; place of death; date, time and place of visitation and funeral services.

**Leona Field, 63**  
DUNNELLON

Leona Carol Field, 63, of Dunnellon, Florida, passed away July 30, 2011. She was born on February 23, 1948,

Inverness  
Homosassa  
Beverly Hills  
**Hooper**  
FUNERAL HOMES & CREMATORY  
(352) 726-2271  
1-888-746-6737

**BROWN**  
FUNERAL HOME & CREMATORY  
5430 W. Gulf to Lake Hwy.  
Lecanto, Florida 34451  
(352) 795-0111  
Richard T. Brown  
FUNERAL DIRECTOR

**Chas. E. Davis**  
Funeral Home With Crematory  
ROGER MOORE  
Viewing: Monday, 12 noon  
Service: Monday, 1:00 pm  
CECIL L. CREWS  
Viewing: Friday, 12 noon  
Service: Friday, 1:00 pm  
THOMAS KERN  
Service: Saturday 11:00 am  
Cornerstone Baptist Church  
MELVIN BARCLAY  
Private Cremation Arrangements  
MACK S. TOWNLEY  
Service: Tuesday, 11:00 am  
First Presbyterian Church  
726-8323

"Your Trusted Family-Owned Funeral Home Since 1962"

**Strickland**  
Funeral Home and Crematory

- Burial
- Cremation
- Pre-Planning

Funeral Directors  
C. Lyman Strickland & Tom L. Pace

1901 SE Hwy. 19  
CRYSTAL RIVER  
**352-795-2678**  
[www.stricklandfuneralhome.com](http://www.stricklandfuneralhome.com)

**pet idol**  
CITRUS COUNTY

Is your pet  
Calendar worthy?

Enter & Vote  
online today

- \$25 Entry Fee
- Top 3 winners will be eligible for a Pet Portrait, 3 Free Calendars and bragging rights with all your friends.
- Proceeds benefit The Friends of Citrus County Animals Services

Submission Period: August 1-31  
Voting Period: September 1-30

visit [www.chronicleonline.com](http://www.chronicleonline.com) to enter

**CHRONICLE Online**

Friends of Citrus County Animal Services

DOUBLE  
TRIPLE  
QUADRUPLE  
YOUR  
**COUPON SAVINGS**

SAVE HUNDREDS OF \$\$ FOR ONLY

**55¢**  
PER WEEK\*  
For 52 Weeks Prepaid

ADDITIONAL Sunday Subscription  
DELIVERED TO YOUR HOME

Just Call **563-3295** Ask For Code Cy

**CHRONICLE**

\*Must be a current Chronicle subscriber. [www.chronicleonline.com](http://www.chronicleonline.com)

# Reid: Compromise in hand to end FAA shutdown

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Congress has reached a bipartisan compromise to end the two-week partial shutdown of the Federal Aviation Administration that has idled 74,000 federal employees and construction workers and cost the government about \$30 million a day in uncollected airline ticket taxes, Senate Democratic leader Harry Reid said Thursday.

The deal would allow the Senate to approve a House bill extending the FAA's operating authority through mid-September, including a provision that eliminates \$16.5 million in air service subsidies to 13 rural communities. A vote on the bill is expected Friday.

Republicans had insisted on the subsidy cuts as their price for



Associated Press

**Sen. Charles Schumer, D-N.Y., left, accompanied by Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid of Nev., gestures Wednesday during a news conference on Capitol Hill in Washington, D.C.**

restoring the FAA to full operation. But the cuts may become moot.

The bill includes language that gives the transportation secretary the authority to continue subsi-

dized service to the 13 communities if he decides it's necessary.

Democrats said they expect the administration to effectively waive or negate the cuts.

"I just know that the White House has provided assurances that they (the communities) will be held harmless," said a Senate Democratic leadership aide who asked not to be named because he wasn't authorized to speak publicly about the deal.

The shutdown began when much of Washington was transfixed by the stalemate over raising the government's debt ceiling. During that time, the FAA furloughed 4,000 workers but kept air traffic controllers and most safety inspectors on the job. Forty airport safety inspectors worked without pay, picking up their own travel expenses.

Some 70,000 workers on construction-related jobs on airport projects from Palm Springs, Calif., to New York City were idled as the FAA couldn't pay for the work.

But airline passengers in the busy travel season hardly noticed any changes. Airlines continued to work as normal, but they were no longer authorized to collect federal ticket taxes at a rate of \$30 million a day. For a few lucky ticket buyers, prices dropped. But for the vast majority, nothing changed because airlines raised their base prices to match the tax. Some passengers will now be eligible for refunds if they bought their tickets before July 23 and traveled during the shutdown.

As the debt ceiling crisis passed and Congress headed home for its August recess without resolving

the standoff, President Barack Obama spoke out Wednesday and Transportation Secretary Ray LaHood urged Congress to deal with the issues. Obama expressed dismay that Congress would allow up to \$1.2 billion in tax revenue to go out the door — the amount that could have been lost by the time lawmakers return in September.

Reid announced the deal Thursday afternoon, saying it would put 74,000 transportation and construction workers back to work.

Communities targeted for the proposed air service subsidy cuts are Morgantown, W.Va.; Athens, Ga.; Glendive, Mont.; Alamogordo, N.M.; Ely, Nev.; Jamestown, N.Y.; Bradford, Pa.; Hagerstown, Md.; Jonesboro, Ark.; Johnstown, Pa.; Franklin/Oil City, Pa.; Lancaster, Pa.; and Jackson, Tenn.

# UN: Widespread oil damage found in Niger delta

Associated Press

LAGOS, Nigeria — A region of Nigeria's oil-rich southern delta suffers widespread ecological damage as spilled oil seeps into its drinking water, destroys plants and remains in the ground for decades at a time, according to a United Nations report released Thursday.

The report, released by the U.N.'s environmental program, said it will take as much as 30 years to clean the oil-stained Ogoniland area within Nigeria's Niger Delta, a region of swamps, mangroves and creeks almost the size of South Carolina. The world body suggested the Nigerian government and the oil industry set up an initial \$1 billion trust fund for the cleanup.

However, environmental cleanup remains an afterthought in Africa's most populous nation as oil revenues fund a bloated and corrupt government dependent on production. Cleaning up the more than 600-mile (more than 965-kilometer) region would be a challenge for any government, the U.N. acknowledged.

"The environmental restoration of Ogoniland could prove to be the world's most wide-ranging and long-term oil cleanup exercise ever undertaken if contaminated

drinking water, land, creeks and important ecosystems such as mangroves are to be brought back to full, productive health," the body said in a statement.

Though production in Ogoniland stopped in 1993, pipelines and flowstations operated by a subsidiary of Royal Dutch Shell PLC and the state-run Nigerian National Petroleum Corp. still run through villages and fields.

Oil spills from those sites, caused by aging pipelines and vandalism, have thoroughly damaged lands, the U.N. found. In one case, the U.N. found a village where drinking water was polluted with benzene 900 times more than the international limit. The U.N. also found one area where an oil spill 40 years ago hadn't been cleaned.

"The Ogoni people live with this pollution every minute of every day, 365 days a year," the report said. "Since average life expectancy in Nigeria is less than 50 years, it is a fair assumption that most members of the current Ogoniland community have lived with chronic oil pollution throughout their lives."

The report also said that children born in Ogoniland are affected by the oil pollution daily, "as the odor of hydrocarbons pervades the air day in, day out."



Associated Press

**Oil is seen March 24 on the creek water's surface near an illegal oil refinery in Ogoniland, outside Port Harcourt, in Nigeria's Delta region. A region of Nigeria's oil-rich southern delta suffers widespread ecological damage as spilled oil seeps into its drinking water, destroys plants and remains in the ground for decades at a time, a United Nations report released Thursday shows. The U.N. report focused on the Ogoniland area of Nigeria's Niger Delta, a region of swamps, mangroves and creeks almost the size of South Carolina or Portugal.**

Some environmentalists say as much as 550 million gallons of oil have poured into the Niger River Delta during 50 years of production — at a rate roughly comparable to one Exxon Valdez disaster per year. Even today, oil laps up in brackish delta creeks in Ogoniland, creating a black ring around

the coastlines.

Shell helped fund the U.N. investigation, leading to criticism by some environmentalists that the report wouldn't take on the oil giant many demonize in the region. The report said damage can be caused by failing oil pipelines, as well as by thieves

who tap into the lines to steal crude oil — a worsening problem in Ogoniland. The report said U.N. officials saw such theft during the day and suggested there could be "collusion" with government officials.

"It was not within (the U.N.'s) scope to identify the cause of the individual spills, nor is it scientifically possible to detect the original cause of spills after an unknown time period," the report said.

It also remains difficult for companies to operate in the delta, as criminal gangs and militants still operate and take foreign workers hostage for ransom. The U.N. report noted that it had trouble accessing some areas of Ogoniland and found evidence that unknown parties had tampered with some of the U.N.'s equipment.

Asked about the proposed trust fund, a Shell spokeswoman declined to comment. The company issued a statement saying it "will study the contents carefully and will comment further once we have done so."

Reuben Abati, a spokesman for President Goodluck Jonathan, did not respond to a request for comment.

Nigeria, an OPEC member, is one of the top crude oil suppliers to the U.S.

# HUGE FURNITURE FLOOR MODEL SALE!

**CRAFTMATIC ADJUSTABLE BEDS WITH MASSAGE** **\$499<sup>95</sup>**



**ASHLEY MICRO-FIBER SECTIONAL** **\$549<sup>95</sup>**



**10 RECLINERS** **\$99<sup>95</sup> EACH**



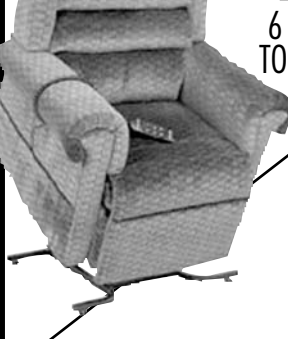
**8 FUTONS** **\$199<sup>95</sup> - \$299<sup>95</sup>**

**CHIRO-PRACER MATTRESS SALE**

Twin Set **\$149<sup>95</sup>** Full Set **\$199<sup>95</sup>**  
Queen Set **\$249<sup>95</sup>** King Set **\$349<sup>95</sup>**

FIRM MATTRESS - BACK SUPPORT

**POWER LIFT CHAIRS & RECLINERS** **\$499<sup>95</sup>**



6 COLORS TO CHOOSE

**FREE DELIVERY!**

**LOWEST PRICES IN AREA**

OVER 23 BEDROOMS TO CHOOSE  
OVER 43 DINETTES TO CHOOSE  
OVER 66 RECLINERS TO CHOOSE  
OVER 50 LAMPS TO CHOOSE

**LEATHER RECLINING SOFA & LOVE SEAT SET** **\$699<sup>95</sup>**



**SOFA BED SALE COUPON**  
**\$100 OFF ANY SOFA BED**

TELEPHONE ORDERS GLADLY ACCEPTED

**TRY OUR AWARD WINNING LATEX PILLOW-TOP MATTRESS**



Queen Set **\$699<sup>95</sup>**  
King Set **\$899<sup>95</sup>**



**TRADE IN YOUR OLD FURNITURE FOR MORE SAVINGS!**

**FREE SAME DAY DELIVERY & SET-UP**



Bob, Gizelle & Oscar

**FURNITURE PALACE & MATTRESS WAREHOUSE**

Discover the Difference!

**726-2999** www.furniturepalacecc.com

**3106 S. Florida Ave., Inverness**  
(Hwy. 41) North of Fairgrounds

OPEN: TUES.-THURS. 'TIL 8PM  
MON., FRI. & SAT. 9AM-5PM  
SUN. 11AM-6PM

OPEN LATE  
TUESDAY  
WEDNESDAY  
& THURSDAY



# Sea Cadet officer heads to Sweden

## Dunn to do 'Adventure of a Lifetime'

Special to the Chronicle

The U.S. Naval Sea Cadet Corps' slogan "Adventure of a Lifetime" is true for LTJG Todd Dunn as he prepares to go to Sweden.

An international group of Sea Cadet programs conducts an exchange of cadets each year. Ever since he joined Sea Cadets, Dunn heard about how cadets from across the United States apply for and compete to be selected to

travel to host countries around the world.

These cadets need senior escort officers to accompany them on their travel, so the Manatee Division commanding officer thought he would apply to see if they could use his help.

The International Exchange Program foots most of the bill. Cadets only pay \$350 to cover a small portion of their travel expenses. The escort officer's travel costs are paid for by the program.

All their food and lodging will be provided by the host country.

Receiving a phone call from the director of the U.S. office of the exchange program, Dunn was told he was selected to escort the United States training team to Sweden. He will escort two cadets: one from the Lake Michigan Division in Southwest Michigan, and a cadet from the Grey Ghost Division in Livermore, Calif. They will join about 12 other cadets from Russia, England, Hong Kong and elsewhere to participate in a joint training exercise with an equal number of Swedish

Sea Cadets.

After arriving in Karlskrona, Sweden, they will train in practical and theoretical seamanship. Cadets will operate out of one of the country's largest bases. They will spend time on the water on various craft and explore the islands along the coast.

Tours of cultural sites, training with the military and performing complex training activities with people from diverse backgrounds will help foster international understanding among the young men and women, ranging in age from about 16 to 18 years old.

LTJG Dunn is the commanding officer of Manatee Division, which drills at the Coast Guard Station in Yankeetown. The U.S. Naval Sea Cadet Corps is a youth program chartered by congress for Americans ages 11 to 17.

The International Exchange usually awards the training to cadets who have been with the program at least two or three years and have distinguished themselves with advanced achievements.

For more information about the Sea Cadets, visit [www.sea-cadets.org](http://www.sea-cadets.org).

## Bad Golfers help out



Special to the Chronicle

The Bad Golfers Association recently donated \$500 to the Daystar Life Center for Daystar's "Tools for Schools" drive. Daystar has asked for school supply donations to help those less fortunate children in the county. Their request was answered by the Bad Golfers Association when Jim Remler dropped off \$500 collected by its members. The BGA Charities Fund was established in 2010. It is a vehicle, supported by members of the BGA, to assist charities identified by BGA members. Periodically, members' golf day winnings and other special events proceeds are donated to the fund. The fund volunteer founding members are Len Ciriello, Joe O'Leary, George Lowell, John Rowan and Jim Remler. Pictured, from left, are: Denise Kennard, executive director, Daystar; Ron Kornatowski, president, board of advisers, Daystar; and Jim Remler, fund volunteer, Bad Golfers Association.

## Purple Heart program set for Saturday

### Elks will host meal, program

Special to the Chronicle

West Citrus Elks Lodge 2693 will host a buffet breakfast and program at 9 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 6, commemorating the 229th anniversary of the Purple Heart and honoring all Purple Heart recipients.

Families of those who fell in combat and all combat-wounded veterans and their guests are cordially invited. Attendees are requested to register for the breakfast by emailing [goodelks2693@live.com](mailto:goodelks2693@live.com) or

calling Carrie at (352) 628-1633

George Washington established the Purple Heart, originally known as the Badge of Military Merit, on Aug. 7, 1782. The first American award made available to the common soldier, it is the oldest military decoration in the world in present use and is a badge of honor that recognizes those patriots who have selflessly made the supreme sacrifice or shed their blood on the field of battle.

## News NOTE

### Artisans sought for fall show

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.

For more information, call either of the co-chairwomen, Verna Lichlyter at (352) 564-0788 or Marcia Balonis at (352) 637-7139.

All profit from the Boutique will be donated to the club's various philanthropies.

## News NOTES

### Daystar has epic day

Recently, Daystar had its largest volume day, both for food distribution and for client services.

During the last week in July, on a Monday, Daystar inter-

viewed and assisted 50 clients and distributed 1,150 pounds of food in six hours.

Denise Kennard said that was the busiest day since she took over as executive director one year ago. Daystar helps clients with food, clothing, utilities, rent, prescriptions, obtaining IDs and doctor transportation. Clients must meet the necessary qualifications for assistance. Furniture is available at no cost for fire victims.

Daystar is at 6751 W. Gulf-to-Lake Highway in Crystal River, across from the Publix shopping plaza.

### Fictional character topic for meeting

The Florida Chapter of the Historical Novel Society will meet at 1 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 6, at the Central Ridge Library, 425 W. Roosevelt Blvd., Beverly Hills.

Priscilla Watkins will lead a program on "Development of Fictional Characters." Meetings are open to everyone interested in historical fiction. Call Marian Fox at (352) 726-0162.

### Stuff the Bus for schoolchildren

Before we know it, children in Citrus County will be returning to school, many without the supplies that are necessary in order to be successful in the classroom. You are invited to donate items such as pens, paper, notebooks, crayons, eraser, socks, backpacks, etc. or a gift card to a local store.

On Saturday, Aug. 6, school buses will collect supplies from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the following locations:

■ Citrus Hills Publix.

■ Crystal River Mall (next to Kmart).

■ Homosassa Walmart.

■ Inverness Walmart.

On Sunday, Aug. 7, a school bus will collect supplies from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Inverness Bealls Department Store.

### Coalition needs shelving for pantry

Citrus County Veterans Coalition needs shelving for its new food pantry. Citrus County Veterans Coalition has a new building with freezers, refrigerators and all necessary requirements to feed veterans in need.

The group needs 6-foot-tall and 18-inches-deep shelving units. Coalition members can pick up such shelving from those who wish to donate it. Food donations and volunteers also are always welcomed and needed.

The new CCVC is on the

DAV property in Inverness at the corner of Paul and Independence, just off U.S. 41 north. Hours of operation are 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday. Appointments are encouraged by calling (352) 400-8952.

### Volunteers sought for shore cleanup

In cooperation with the Citrus County Aquatics Service Division and the Ocean Conservancy, the Citrus 20/20 Save Our Waters Week Committee will conduct Citrus County's annual Adopt-A-Shore/Coastal Clean-Up from sunrise to 11:30 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 17.

Groups of two or more people choosing to adopt a portion of a shoreline, a waterway, or the Gulf of Mexico should contact Bill Garvin, westside zone coordinator, at (352) 628-4685 or [info@garvinphoto.com](mailto:info@garvinphoto.com); Greg

Schmukal, eastside zone coordinator, at (352) 860-2762 or [basscatchers@embarqmail.com](mailto:basscatchers@embarqmail.com); or Citrus County Aquatics Services Division at (352) 527-7620.

A program agreement, safety information and a participant sign-up sheet will be provided to each group. Each group is responsible for knowing the accessibility of the area being adopted; organizing and transporting the group as necessary; and for the general safety of the group.

All participating groups must register prior to Wednesday, Sept. 14. A safety meeting will be conducted at 7 p.m. that day in Citrus County Lecanto Government Building, room 166, at 3600 W. Sovereign Path (off County Road 491) in Lecanto. At least one representative from each adopting group must attend.

**August**

**Garage/Yard Sale Special**

Place your ad between now and August 31st to take advantage of this popular OFFER.

You will get:

- 58,000 readers
- An Attention Getter
- 6 lines of copy
- Results

The cost of your ad is as follows:

- \$20 for 1 day
- \$25 for 2 days • \$30 for 3 days

Offer good through our call center only.  
Please call 563-5966 & place your order.  
Ask about our Guarantee and our Leftovers Rate

0008T0J



## Introducing a New, Powerful, Multi-Media Promotion to grow your Business



**Pro-Football Weekly Contest**

**Program Overview:**  
Pick the Pro's is a weekly in paper and online program that provides multi-media advertisement for our customers. Pick the Pro's is also a competition for our advertisers to go head to head picking the weekends NFL games each week for great prizes.

**Program Overview:**  
- A weekly full color display ad in our newspaper every Friday!  
- An opportunity to select someone from your business to show their photo and NFL picks to that weekends game every Friday.  
- An online square ad.  
- A chance to win a free 3x5 ad every week.  
- A chance to win a full page full color ad at the end of the contest.

**For more information about this page please call your Advertising Representative.**

563-5592

CHRONICLE

CITRUS COUNTY  
[www.chronicleonline.com](http://www.chronicleonline.com)

Hurry! Limited Space Available!

0008TWD



**While everyone is busy raising their prices, DISH Network will actually save you money.**



**Packages starting at only**

**\$24.99** mo  
 Everyday Price  
 \$34.99/mo

For 12 months with 24-month Agreement



With every package:

- » **FREE**    
for 3 months  
- » **FREE** HD DVR  
DVR is leased (\$6/mo DVR Service fee applies)
- » **FREE** INSTALLATION  
(in up to 6 rooms)

**Ask us how get a FREE**

## Sling® Adapter



**A \$99 Value!**

Our exclusive Sling Adapter connects easily to a DISH HD DVR and delivers live TV to your computer or mobile device.

Purchase Sling Adapter for \$99. Receive a \$99 prepaid card. Restrictions apply.



Available for iPad™, iPhone®, iPod touch®, Android™, and BlackBerry.\*

iPhone and iPod touch are registered trademarks of Apple Inc. iPad is a trademark of Apple Inc. BlackBerry is a registered trademark of Research In Motion Limited. Android is a trademark of Google Inc.

**Sky Sat-20 Inc.**  
**(888) 851-7283**



Free Sling Adapter requirements: minimum qualifying programming; broadband Internet connection on 722/722k receiver; subscription to DISH Network E-Newsletter; online redemption no later than 75 days from Sling Adapter activation. Allow 4 - 6 weeks for delivery. Premium Movie Package offer ends 9/30/11. Offer value is up to \$126; after 3 months then-current price applies unless you downgrade. HBO®, Cinemax® and related channels and service marks are the property of Home Box Office, Inc. Starz® and related channels and service marks are the property of Starz Entertainment, LLC. SHOWTIME and related marks are registered trademarks of Showtime Networks Inc., a CBS Company. Digital Home Advantage plan requires 24-month agreement and credit qualification. Cancellation fee of \$17.50/month remaining applies if service is terminated before end of agreement. After 12 months of programming credits, then-current price will apply. \$10/mo HD add-on fee waived for life of current account; requires 24-month agreement, continuous enrollment in AutoPay with Paperless Billing. Free Standard Professional Installation only. All equipment is leased and must be returned to DISH Network upon cancellation or unreturned equipment fees apply. Limit 6 leased tuners per account; upfront and monthly fees may apply based on type and number of receivers. HD programming requires HD television. Prices, packages and programming subject to change without notice. Offer available for new and qualified former customers, and subject to terms of applicable Promotional and Residential Customer agreements. Additional restrictions may apply. Offer ends 1/31/12.



MUTUAL FUNDS

HOW TO READ THE MUTUAL FUND TABLES

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

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

Table of mutual funds with columns: Name, NAV, Chg. Includes sections like Advance Capital, Alger Funds, AllianceBern, etc.

Table of mutual funds with columns: Name, NAV, Chg. Includes sections like Fidelity Spartan, Fidelity Advisor, Fidelity Freedom, etc.

Retailers report solid sales gains for month of July

Associated Press

NEW YORK — The back-to-school season got off to a strong start as discounts and high temperatures in July drove shoppers to air-conditioned malls. But merchants worry that momentum won't continue through the remainder of the second-biggest shopping period of the year as the weather gets cold and the deals dry up.

ment store Macy's, and luxury chain Saks. The International Council of Shopping Centers' preliminary tally of retailers' revenue at stores open at least a year — a key indicator of a merchant's health — was up 4.6 percent, a slower pace than June's 6.9 percent gain but in line with forecasts.

problem for retailers, who are raising prices in order to offset rising fuel, labor and other production costs. "Early going, July looks like it's shaping up to be a solid month despite all the economic headwinds," said Ken Perkins, president of RetailMetrics LLC, a research firm.

Despite a flow of bad economic news that kept consumer confidence shaky, a number of retailers reported July revenue on Thursday that beat Wall Street estimates, including discount retailer Target, depart-

While the numbers offer encouraging signs for the start to the back-to-school shopping period, which runs roughly from mid-July through September, there are concerns that shoppers will stick to the habits of the Great Recession by focusing on necessities and waiting for sales. That could be a big

The back-to-school season is important for retailers; it accounts for 16.1 percent of annual revenue, according to the International Council of Shopping Centers. It's also an opportunity for retailers to gain insight into consumers' shopping habits heading into the biggest shopping season of the year, which starts on the day after Thanksgiving.

STOCKS

Continued from Page A1

land, two countries that have struggled to pay their debts. A financial rescue package for Italy or Spain might be more than the group of countries can handle.

Market watch

Table showing market indices: Dow Jones Industrials (-512.76), Nasdaq Composite (-136.68), Standard & Poor's 500 (-60.27), Russell 2000 (-45.98), NYSE diary (Advanced: 141, Declined: 2,988, Unchanged: 30, Volume: 7.5 b).

The sell-off was broad. All 10 industry groups in the Standard & Poor's 500 index fell. Energy companies lost almost 7 percent, materials companies were down 6.6 percent, and industrial companies lost more than 5 percent.

Traders also unloaded stocks before Friday's release of the government's unemployment report for July, which is expected to show only weak job growth and perhaps a rise in the unemployment rate, which is 9.2 percent.

Together, they produced "a perfect storm of selling," said Ryan Larson, head of U.S. equity trading for RBC Global Asset Management.

For a time, Kraft Foods was the only stock to rise among the 30 that make up the Dow industrials. Kraft announced Thursday that it would split in two, with one company focusing on snacks and the other groceries. But the selling eventually dragged Kraft under, too, and its stock finished down 52 cents, at \$33.78.

Not long ago, Wall Street had mostly convinced itself that the U.S. economy would improve in the second half of the year. Gas prices were falling, and Japanese factories were re-starting production after disruptions from the March earthquake.

vestment strategist for Janney Montgomery Scott, an investment firm in Philadelphia, said his clients saw the move from stocks into cash as "a parking lot to sort things out."

Steep stock market losses like the ones of the past two weeks, can be self-reinforcing. A drop in stocks erodes household wealth and raises doubts about the economic outlook.

Then one report after another began to show that the economy was much weaker than first thought. Manufacturing is barely growing. The service sector, which covers about 90 percent of the American workforce, is growing at the slowest rate in a year and a half. June in May, the first decline since September 2009.

Other market indicators reinforced the risk-averse mood. Gold, which is seen as a safe investment when the stock market is turbulent, set a record price, \$1,684.90 an ounce, before falling to \$1,659. Adjusted for inflation, gold is still far below its record high, reached in 1980.

Kevin Cook, senior stock strategist for Zacks Investment Research in Chicago, said investors' worst fears probably won't come true. "This is not 2008 again," he said. "We don't have a liquidity crisis, we don't have a credit crisis — this is just profit taking."

And the overall economy is expanding at the slowest pace since the end of the Great Recession. It grew at an annual rate of less than 1 percent for the first six months of this year, raising the risk of another recession.

In an indication of how frightened investors are, Bank of New York Mellon said it would start charging large investors to hold their cash. The bank's clients include pension funds and large investment houses.

Cook said he believes the S&P 500, which closed Thursday at 1,200.07, will trade between 1,150 and 1,250 between now and Oct. 1, at least until investors have enough information to determine whether the economy is in recession again.

In an indication of how frightened investors are, Bank of New York Mellon said it would start charging large investors to hold their cash. The bank's clients include pension funds and large investment houses.

The yield on the one-month Treasury bill fell to almost nothing — 0.008 percent. Investors were willing to accept paltry returns in exchange for holding investments they believed to be stable.

Even taking into account the recent declines, stocks are still considered to be in an impressive bull market that began March 9, 2009, when the market reached its recession low.

Concerts at The Old Courthouse. Proudly Present Back 2 School BASH Saturday, August 6, 2011. For tickets or information call: 352-341-6427.

New York Stock Exchange table with columns: Name, Last, Chg. Lists various stocks like TE Connectivity, TorcEnergy, US Steel, etc.

► "A man will fight harder for his interests than his rights."  
 Napoleon Bonaparte, 1804-14

**CITRUS COUNTY CHRONICLE**

**EDITORIAL BOARD**

- Gerry Mulligan** ..... publisher
- Charlie Brennan** ..... editor
- Neale Brennan** ..... promotions/community affairs
- Mike Arnold** ..... HR director
- Sandra Frederick** ..... managing editor
- Curt Ebitz** ..... citizen member
- Mac Harris** ..... citizen member
- Rebecca Martin** ..... guest member



Founded by Albert M. Williamson

"You may differ with my choice, but not my right to choose."  
 — David S. Arthurs publisher emeritus

**INDUSTRIOUSNESS**

# Economy can take flight with partnerships

We keep hearing that "Citrus County is open for business" — and both public and private sectors have a role. That's the approach being taken with the Inverness Airport Business Park. The Inverness Airport is owned by Citrus County, which is working with the new fixed-base operator (FBO), Whiskey Bravo Air, and local business organizations to encourage adjacent business park development.

In 2008, the county commission gave the Economic Development Council approval to proceed with planning the park at the Inverness Airport. Last week, two county business leaders went on the offensive to promote making it a reality. Intending to connect with possible business partners, Chamber of Commerce CEO Josh Wooten and EDC Executive Director John Siefert attended EAA AirVenture 2011 in Oshkosh, Wis., dubbed as "the world's greatest aviation celebration." Their partner in this prospecting trip was the current Inverness Airport operator, an AirVenture board member. The strong public-private network is being leveraged as a promotional tool. The Inverness Airport Business Park brochure, boasting that the facility has "everything to give your business wings," says this: "Intelligently planned growth

by cooperative government leadership, including a very proactive Economic Development Council, has opened the door to a multitude of incentives for micro loans, utility expansion, job growth, medical recruitment, small business, tax abatement and more. There is also grant funding available from the Florida Department of Transportation for infrastructure and aviation-related facilities."

Home building here will never again be the economic driver it once was. We must attract diverse businesses if we want to grow as a county economy. Finally, our government and business leaders are working together proactively to create the future we need. That includes building on entrepreneurial ideas that can succeed economically while respecting and supporting our culture and way of life.

This is the way it's supposed to work. The government creates and supports an environment and infrastructure that's hospitable to business, including education and training, affordable homes, excellent health care and a desirable quality of life. Then entrepreneurs, who can act more quickly, with fewer procedural constraints and greater networking power, will provide the engine to grow the economy.

**THE ISSUE:**

Citrus economic leaders prospect for business at national air show.

**OUR OPINION:**

Create the right environment; let the market work.

**Marriage stipulation**

It's easy to make a political point in a political cartoon, but there is usually more to the story and they're often very misleading. On Thursday (July 28), a cartoonist named Margulies showed a soldier proudly displaying the end of a military gay ban, then ended it with the soldier claiming he's unconstitutionally banned from marriage in 29 states. The truth is, no man, inside or outside the military, is banned from marriage in any state in the Union. But just like me, he can marry a woman, just not another man. No state denies either of us the right to marry a woman. Basically, since he prefers men, he wants the additional privilege to marry the one he chooses. I can't do it; neither can he.



**SOUND OFF**  
 CALL 563-0579

commissioners have an obligation to gauge whether their constituents want a Port Citrus before spending any tax dollars on a feasibility study. As a 35-year veteran of sailing and fishing in our Gulf Coast waters, I can save them a lot of tax dollars. It is not feasible. I have seen Florida Power coal barges, who strayed out of the 20-foot-deep Cross Florida Barge Canal, aground in 4 feet of water 10 miles off the coast. I have seen the Coast Guard rescue vessel aground at the mouth of the Crystal River. We don't have the infrastructure for a port, nor do we want it. Why would shipping companies send their ships to a shallow port with no infrastructure when Florida has at least a dozen deepwater ports with infrastructure already in place? Kill the feasibility studies.

**Star power**

It's kind of sad to see the people in Africa who are starving, the children who are really in a world of hurt. Our hearts go out to them. We have problems here, too. But those people in Somalia really have got a problem. But where are all the movie stars who like to get their names in the paper for helping them? Where are they now? It's a shame. Maybe they don't need any more publicity for a while, but that's kind of sad. That's all those people do. That's one way to get their name in the paper. Instead of helping quietly, they make sure whatever little bit they do, they want to sure get credit for it. That's kind of sad.

**Under control**

As most people well know, we've been eaten up with mosquitoes the past couple of weeks and I just wanted to thank the Mosquito Control people. They've been out here for two weeks fighting these mosquitoes. They finally got them knocked down yesterday and they flew the helicopter through yesterday and I just wanted to thank all of those people involved for helping us with those mosquitoes. They've really been bad around here. Thank you, Mosquito Control.

**Put port to a vote**

Color me crazy, but I think county

# How the Right is raising your taxes

**DOUGLAS COHN AND ELEANOR CLIFT**

WASHINGTON — The markets rendered their judgment on the deficit deal reached by the Congress, and it was pretty much thumbs down. Economists across the political spectrum noted that the deal did exactly the opposite of what the fragile economy needs. Instead of providing short-term impetus for growth and long-term deficit reduction, the politicians settled for more immediate cutbacks in spending and relatively little restraint farther in the future.

What were they thinking? The short answer is not much beyond their political survival. They managed to defer the tougher choices to a super congressional committee that will be announced in two weeks. Its 12 members will be appointed by the four leaders of Congress — three apiece — and whom they choose will tell us a lot about what the committee will come up with, or whether it can function at all.

The tea party will demand a seat or more at the table and could torpedo everything. If the committee can get 7 of the 12 to endorse a plan, Congress would then have to vote up or down. If they reject whatever the committee comes up with, then automatic sequestration across the board will impose 50 percent of the required deficit reduction on the Pentagon, the other 50 per-

**Other VOICES**

cent on programs Democrats hold dear.

The idea is that those cuts would be so draconian that Congress will act. Maybe so, we'll see, but there is another scenario, and that is the Bush tax cuts. If Congress does nothing, they will expire at the end of 2012, providing the Treasury with a nice chunk of change. The tea party is all worked up over that, portraying it as an assault on the nation's job creators if people at the upper end of income earners have to pay a bit more.

Curiously, the tea party is not as upset about losing the tax cuts for the middle class, which could also fall victim to the budget knife.

Selective concern on the part of the tea party is also evident in their members' reaction to the fact that the payroll tax cut put in place after the election last year in an effort to boost the economy will expire at the end of this year. President Obama tried to get it extended as part of the deficit default deal, but was rebuffed. Why is that? Why aren't the anti-tax advocates just as exercised over raising that tax if it is allowed to expire as they are for the upper-income earners?

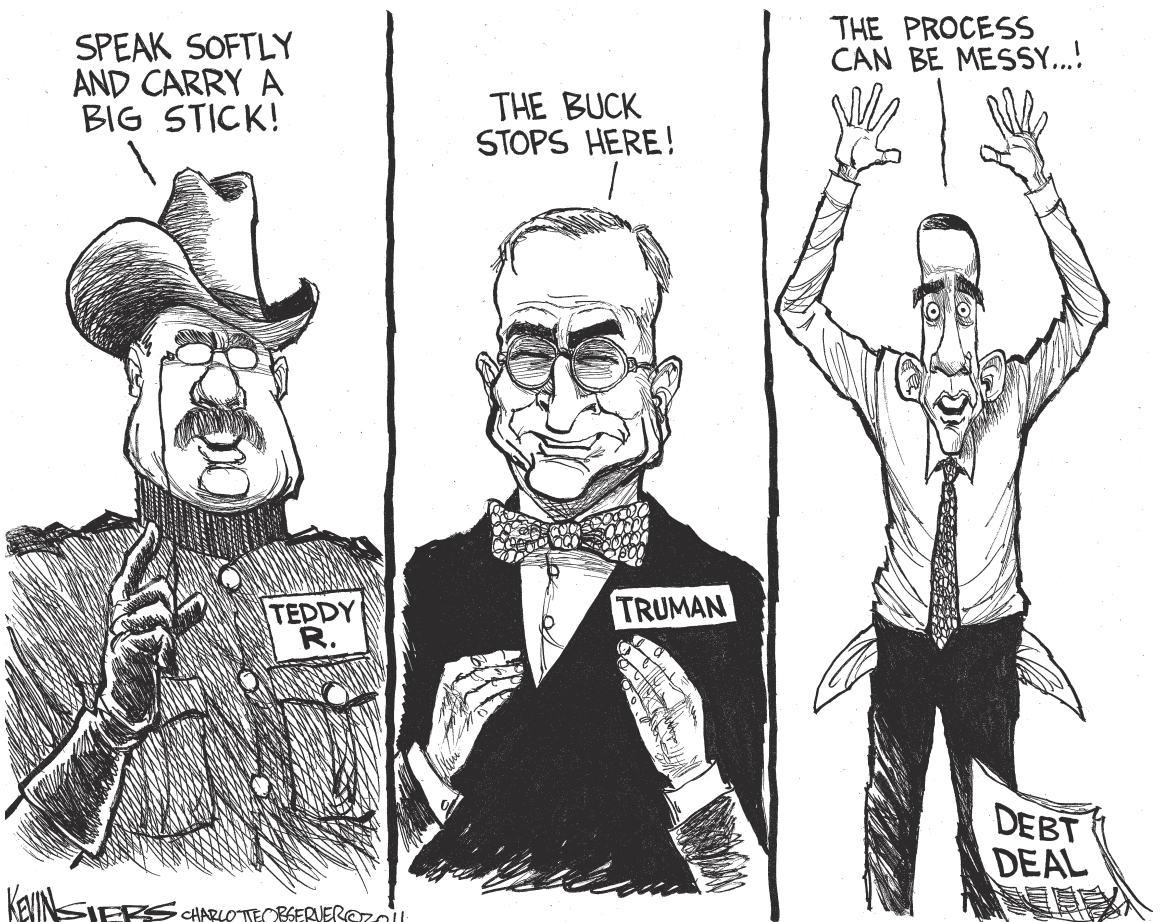
It's tempting to say they only care about the rich, but that's too simplistic. Whatever the motivation of the tea party and all the other anti-taxers, they should be

given the opportunity to explain themselves. Republicans aren't yelling and screaming on cable television about the payroll tax, yet they were willing to sink the nation's credit to save tax cuts for the wealthy.

The next year will be one fight after another about budget priorities, and the presidential election will be fought over two very different visions of government and its role in society. The Democrats have an opportunity to compare and contrast the GOP's reaction to these two taxes — one that serves the high end of the country, the other that benefits working people whose wages have been flat for the last decade, and who need a helping hand far more than those at the top.

If Obama could communicate this contradiction in simple Reaganesque terms, he might find the voters receptive in a way they haven't been to the arcane battle over the debt ceiling. People should be offended that their Republican representatives will walk over broken glass to preserve tax cuts for the wealthy, but there's not a peep about the payroll tax.

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



**LETTERS to the Editor**

**Invest in AES**

We should not close, move or limit the Academy of Environmental Science. We should instead grow this unique facility into a world-class facility for the study of the Florida Gulf Coast.

We can make it a science magnet school, linked to Withlacoochee Technical Institute and the College of Central Florida.

We should open doors to the universities of Florida, Louisiana and Texas and provide a place where their undergraduates and post-grads can study, teach and design and run studies.

Would our fishermen, farmers and tourist industries kick in assistance in return for learning more about our salt and fresh waters? And the sea of grass?

Would National Geographic or other TV channels be interested in covering a program like that?

Would our science students want a great place to study Citrus County's environment and get a great education?

Let's go, Citrus!

Linus Upson  
 Hernando

**RSVP questions**

The July 16 front page featured the article "RSVP budget cuts a call to action." The budget for next year is said to be \$62,518, a reduction of 20 percent. So, this year's budget was \$78,147. The article stated that the purpose of the federal program called RSVP is to help subsidize volunteers with mileage and in-

**OPINIONS INVITED**

- The opinions expressed in Chronicle editorials are the opinions of the newspaper's editorial board.
- Persons wishing to address the editorial board, which meets weekly, should call **Charlie Brennan** at (352) 563-5660.
- We reserve the right to edit letters for length, libel, fairness and good taste.
- Letters must be no longer than 350 words, and writers will be limited to three letters per month.
- SEND LETTERS TO: The Editor, 1624 N. Meadowcrest Blvd., Crystal River, FL 34429. Or, fax to (352) 563-3280, or email to [letters@chronicleonline.com](mailto:letters@chronicleonline.com).

insurance while volunteering.

The reader cannot make any judgment on whether to contact his congressman about the program because there is no information as to how the funds have been spent. How many employees are there? How much money was spent on salaries and benefits? Are they federal employees? How were the employees hired and by whom? How much was spent on insurance for volunteers? What insurance company provided the insurance? How was the insurance company chosen and by whom? How much was spent on mileage payments for volunteers? What businesses or programs have benefited from RSVP involvement? Who selects those programs?

A follow-up article would be most helpful.

Walter Wynn Jr., Ph.D.  
 Pine Ridge

**Phrase's origin**

The Marine Corps hymn has a phrase, "to the shores of Tripoli." Very few people know the origins of that wording.

From the 1600s through 1817 or so, pirates overran the Mediterranean from surrounding areas. They hijacked ships, taking seamen and making them into slaves unless their country of origin paid a ransom.

They also invaded parts of Sicily, Greece and southern Russia, taking approximately 2 million Christian captives into slavery over a 200-year period. Many countries paid tribute to them to keep their ships safe when sailing in the Mediterranean, including Britain, which had a powerful navy.

The United States began developing a Navy in the early 1800s and, in 1815, under the leadership of Stephen landed U.S. Marines in Tripoli to free U.S. citizens. There was a deployment of 2,500 men and 10 ships. After the U.S. Navy and Marines took a stance, other countries followed suit.

It took the bravery of this fledgling country of America and its new but small Navy and Marines to break the backbone of the pirates in North Africa, and only then did the other, more powerful nations of Europe take a stance.

The phrase "to the shores of Tripoli" was to honor the efforts and bravery of the Marine Corps.

Robert E Blum  
 Homosassa

# Book sale bonanza begins Sept. 16

## Friends of the Library prepare for fall fundraising event

Special to the Chronicle

A valuable collection of North American wildlife drawings and paintings, the illustrated tales of Madeleine (smallest girl in Miss Clavel's little school), histories, bestselling mysteries, memoirs and thousands of cookbooks: These are a small sampling of the multitude of books already sorted and packed for the Friends of the Citrus County Library System's Fall Book Sale.

The book sale will be Sept. 16 through 20 at Citrus County Auditorium, U.S. 41 south, next to the fairgrounds. Sale hours will be 5 to 8 p.m. Friday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, and 1 to 4 p.m. Sunday; donation is \$5. Monday, from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., will be half-price day. The \$3-a-bag sale will be from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday.

Volunteer Friends from Central Ridge, Coastal Re-

gion and Lakes Region libraries have already boxed and stored a record-breaking number of items — books, DVDs, CDs, games and piles of puzzles in preparation for the sale. Offerings include hardcover and paperback books, with most prices ranging from \$1 to \$3.

In addition to works by popular authors such as Janet Evanovich, Dean Koontz, Maeve Binchy and James Patterson, the sale features two out-of-print treasures by David M. Newell set in West Central Florida: "The Trouble of It Is" and "If Nothing Don't Happen," filled with humorous fishing and hunting tales of the Withlacoochee River and Gulf Hammock.

Large-print fans will find numerous selections including Jan Karon's "Mitford Years" series. A special holiday section offers a variety of choices.

"Visit early and often to



LYNNE BOELE/Special to the Chronicle

Friends of the Citrus County Library System are all smiles as they celebrate the latest donations of books, puzzles, DVDs and CDs in preparation for the upcoming fall sale at the Citrus County Auditorium, Sept. 16 through 20. The sale will feature more than 75,000 quality items in 40 different categories including mystery, health and fitness, self-help, classics, history, religion, travel and children's books. Pictured, from left, are volunteers Karen Reaves, Jean Racine, Pat Eldridge, Ann Bader, Ed Geer, Kit Plourde, Judy Rose, Mike Quigley and Peggy Stillman. All proceeds from the sales benefit the Citrus County Library System.

take advantage of the bargains for your own libraries or for great holiday gifts,"

said FOCCLS president Sue Haderer. Friends of the Citrus

County Library System is a nonprofit organization. Proceeds from the Friends'

semi-annual fundraisers enhance the Citrus County Library System, making possible the purchase of materials and equipment not covered by the library budget.

This year, the Friends celebrate the 10th anniversary of the organization's founding. Since that first fall sale in 2001, combined FOCCLS partners have raised \$580,087, more than half a million dollars for Citrus County libraries.

The Friends are hoping for a record turnout of patrons to raise funds for the libraries. With the current severe budgetary cutbacks, the money generated by these sales is more important than ever in providing materials and services to sustain and support the library system.

Donations of gently used books and related materials are welcome and may be dropped off at the checkout desks of Central Ridge, Coastal or Lakes Region libraries. For book sale information, call (352) 746-1334 or (352) 527-8405 or click on <http://foccls.blogspot.com/>.

# Wildlife park volunteer tapped for district honor

## Selectee logged more than 5,000 hours

SUSAN STRAWBRIDGE  
Special to the Chronicle

Mary Ann DeSimone was nominated and selected as Volunteer of the Month for Florida State Parks District Two, the northeast region. Park Services Specialist Allyssa Taylor recently surprised DeSimone by presenting her with a certificate recently at Ellie Schiller Homosassa Springs Wildlife State Park.

DeSimone has volunteered at the park since April 1996 and has contributed more than 5,000 hours.

"Mary Ann is, and has been, one of our lead interpreters for the park's outreach programs for many years," said park manager Art Yerian. "She frequently visits schools, festivals, libraries and local clubs to present informative programs on Florida's native wildlife to both children and adults."

She does monthly pro-



Special to the Chronicle

Mary Ann DeSimone holds her certificate as Florida Park Service District Two Volunteer of the Month for June. She volunteers at Ellie Schiller Homosassa Springs Wildlife State Park.

grams at the Homosassa Library that relate to Florida wildlife, especially wildlife that can be seen in

Ellie Schiller Homosassa Springs Wildlife State Park. Some of her programs have featured wolves, black bears, birds of prey, reptiles and cranes.

Other programs DeSimone has presented include a program on the migration of the whooping cranes and another on bees. DeSimone, a former beekeeper herself, had bee boxes and honeycombs to show and pass around.

Recent programs she has developed feature Florida's manatees and native bats.

"Although Mary Ann has not completed any formal interpretive training, she came to us as a substitute teacher having already completed programs such as Project Wild. Luckily for us, she was an interpreter when she started as a volunteer," said Taylor. "Our wildlife care staff trained her in handling our program animals such as a hawk and opossum. Mary Ann then worked to put the two skills together and created a fascinating outreach program."

Each of the five Florida State Parks districts receives nominations from

parks in that region for the Volunteer of the Month award. Supervisors and co-workers nominate a volunteer they feel is

outstanding. Ellie Schiller Homosassa Springs Wildlife State Park is in District Two, which has 32 parks in its region. At the

year's end, each of the Volunteer of the Month winners are considered for special recognition as Volunteer of the Year.

**As Low As 39¢ Per Day**  
CODE FS

**Family Weekend Package**

- Friday, Saturday, Sunday Delivery
- Entertainment
- Youth Sports
- Things to Do!
- Money Saving Coupons

**The Family Favorite**

CITRUS COUNTY CHRONICLE  
www.chronicleonline.com

**Call Today! 563-3256**

\*New subscribers only cannot have subscribed in past 60 days.

**Mexican & A Movie YOU COULD WIN!**

**FOR SUBSCRIBERS ONLY**

**Dinner For Two El Ranchito Mexican Restaurant Inverness & Two Passes TO Regal Cinema**

**TO ENTER:**  
Fill out this form, mail or bring to 1624 N. Meadowcrest Blvd., Crystal River, FL 34429 Anytime before Noon on August 31.

Name.....  
Phone.....  
Email.....

**CHRONICLE**  
www.chronicleonline.com

Says **Thanks** to our faithful subscribers

**EXTENDED**

CITRUS COUNTY CHRONICLE  
www.chronicleonline.com

**Summer Splash**

**Save Over \$135.00**  
Based on Newsstand Prices \$1.00 Sunday 50c daily

**19¢ a day\***  
\* Priced 52 week subscription

**PLUS**

**Your Choice of 3 Summer Gifts**

- 1 Chronicle Comic Umbrella (while supplies last)
- 2 Homosassa Wildlife Park Pass For Two (while supplies last)
- 3 One Month FREE

**New Subscriber or Gift Subscription**

**Summer Gifts Also Available When You Enroll in EZ Pay**

YOU CAN FIND OUT MORE ABOUT EZPAY BY GOING TO [www.chronicleonline.com/content/ez-pay](http://www.chronicleonline.com/content/ez-pay)

**Call 563-3295 Today**  
\* Must not have subscribed in 60 days to receive this special deal.

CODE SS

**Nation BRIEF**

**Ground to a halt**



Associated Press

**A turkey feather sits across the road from the Cargill plant Thursday in Springdale, Ark.**

**Thirty-six million lbs. of turkey recalled**

WASHINGTON — Meat giant Cargill is recalling 36 million pounds of turkey after a government hunt for the source of a salmonella outbreak that has killed one person in California and sickened dozens more. The Agriculture Department says it is one of the largest meat recalls ever.

USDA and the Minnesota-based company announced Wednesday evening that Cargill is recalling fresh and frozen ground turkey products produced at the company's Springdale, Ark., plant from Feb. 20 through Aug. 2 due to possible contamination from the strain of salmonella linked to 76 illnesses and the one death.

All of the packages recalled include the code "Est. P-963," according to Cargill, though packages were labeled under many different brands. The recall also includes ground turkey that isn't labeled at all and some that went to food service establishments, according to Cargill.

Cargill officials said ground turkey production has been suspended at the Springdale plant until the company is able to determine the source of the contamination.

**World BRIEFS**

**Tankers ablaze**



Associated Press

**An Afghan policeman runs in front of burning fuel tankers Thursday on the outskirts of Kabul, Afghanistan. Police said around five fuel tankers carrying fuel for NATO and U.S. forces in Afghanistan caught fire inside a depot in Kabul. No casualties were reported, and it was not immediately clear what caused the fire.**

**Gov't: Mumbai attack likely domestic terror**

NEW DELHI — India's home minister says indications point to domestic terrorism behind the attack last month in Mumbai that killed 26 people.

Home Minister Palaniappan Chidambaram told Parliament in a debate Thursday no conclusion had been reached, but all indications were an Indian group was responsible.

His comments reported by the *Press Trust of India* were the first indication of what the investigation has uncovered since the attack July 13.

No group has claimed responsibility for the bombings. Local police have said the attack carried the hallmarks of the Indian Mujahedeen but have not elaborated.

Chidambaram also gave Parliament a higher death toll than the 20 fatalities previously reported. Some people wounded in the bombings died recently.

—From wire reports

## Debt deal puts military money on chopping block

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Pentagon got nearly everything it asked for during a decade of two wars shadowed by the Sept. 11 terror attacks and the rise of al-Qaida. No more.

Defense Secretary Leon Panetta and Joint Chiefs of Staff Chairman Adm. Mike Mullen acknowledged that the military is resigned to budget cuts of around \$350 billion over a decade to meet the public clamor for reducing the nation's debt. But they quickly warned that more than doubling those cuts along the lines of the "doomsday mechanism" spelled out in the new debt-limit law would undermine the military.

"If it happened — and, God willing, that would not be the case — but if it did happen, it would result in a further round of very dangerous cuts across the board, defense cuts that I believe would do real damage to our security, our troops and their families, and our military's ability to protect the nation," Panetta told reporters at his first Pentagon news conference.

Mullen, who has said repeatedly that the debt is the greatest national security threat, said any cut on that order "jeopardizes our ability to deal with the other very real and very serious threats we face around the world."

Reflecting the widespread demand for fiscal austerity, the compromise debt deal struck by President Barack



Associated Press

**Defense Secretary Leon Panetta gestures Thursday during a news conference at the Pentagon. Panetta and Joint Chiefs of Staff Chairman Adm. Mike Mullen said Thursday the military is resigned to budget cuts of around \$350 billion over a decade to meet the public clamor for reducing the nation's debt.**

Obama and congressional leaders this week will slice \$350 billion from projected military spending over the

next 10 years, and it leaves open the possibility of more than \$500 billion in additional reductions.

Defense spending, which has nearly doubled in the past decade, is no longer untouchable in Washington.

Tea partiers and fierce fiscal conservatives in Congress are more willing to include Pentagon dollars in their mix of budget cuts despite opposition from veteran defense hawks. The death of Osama bin Laden, the diminished role of al-Qaida and the winding down of wars in Iraq and Afghanistan have prompted some lawmakers to question the need for such robust military spending.

Among the things that could be on the block: A troubled new jet fighter, expensive plans to modernize the nation's nuclear arsenal and some of the gold-plated benefits guaranteed to military retirees.



Associated Press

**Virginia Tech spokesman Larry Hincker, left, and Virginia Tech police Chief Wendell Flinchum, right, lead a press conference Thursday on the Virginia Tech Campus in Blacksburg, Va. Virginia Tech was locked down for several hours Thursday after three children attending a summer camp said they saw a man holding what looked like a gun on the campus where a 2007 massacre left 33 people dead.**

## In Blacksburg, sighs of relief a grim reminder

### Report of gunman on Virginia Tech campus forces lockdown

Associated Press

BLACKSBURG, Va. — A report of a possible gunman at Virginia Tech on Thursday set off the longest, most extensive lockdown and search on campus since the bloodbath four years ago that led the university to overhaul its emergency procedures.

No gunman was found, and the school gave the all-clear just before 3 p.m., about five hours after sirens began wailing and students and staff members started receiving warnings by phone, email and text message to lock themselves indoors. Alerts were also posted on the university's website and Twitter accounts.

Maddie Potter, a 19-year-old from Virginia Beach, holed up inside a campus wood shop, where she had been working on a class project. Staff members locked the doors and turned off the lights.

"I was pretty anxious. We had family friends who were up here when the shooting took place in 2007, so it was kind of surreal," she said. "I had my phone with me and I called both my parents."

The emergency was triggered by three teens who were attending a summer program on campus and told police they saw a man walking quickly across the grounds with what might have been a handgun covered by a cloth, authorities said.

Police searched some 150 buildings on the square-mile campus and issued a composite sketch of a baby-faced man who was said to be wearing shorts and sandals, but they found no sign of him. They continued to patrol the grounds as a precaution even after the lockdown was lifted.

"We're in a new era. Obviously this campus experienced something pretty terrible four years ago," said Virginia Tech spokesman Larry Hincker.

It was the first time the entire campus was locked down since the shooting rampage in 2007 that left 33 people dead, and the second major test of Virginia Tech's improved emergency alert system.

Earlier this year, federal authorities fined Virginia Tech \$55,000 for waiting too long to notify staff and students after two students were shot to death at a

dorm during the 2007 rampage. An email alert went out more than two hours later that day, about the time student Seung-Hui Cho was chaining the doors to a classroom building where he killed 30 more people and himself. It was the deadliest school shooting in U.S. history.

This time, several thousand students and the school's 6,500 employees were on campus for summer classes, officials said. Most of Virginia Tech's 30,000 students are on summer break and won't return until the fall semester, which begins Aug. 22.

Michael Backus, a 20-year-old from Abingdon, was studying in the student center when a staff member told him and a friend to move away from the window because someone with a gun had been spotted. During the lockdown, they watched TV, studied and called and texted friends and family.

"Everyone was kind of doing their own business as if nothing was going on. People were doing homework, calling people. It wasn't mass hysteria like people might imagine," he said.

## Polygamist leader convicted of child sex abuse

Associated Press

SAN ANGELO, Texas — A Texas jury convicted polygamist sect leader Warren Jeffs of child sexual assault on Thursday, in a case stemming from two young followers he took as brides in what his church calls "spiritual marriages."

The head of the Fundamental Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints stood stone-faced as the

verdict was read. Jeffs, who acted as his own attorney, stood mostly mute for his closing argument.

Jeffs, 55, had claimed his religious rights were being trampled and that God would seek revenge if the trial continued. He now faces up to life in prison. The sentencing phase of the trial



Warren Jeffs

started right after the verdict, and the Texas attorney general said it could take three days.

Prosecutors used DNA evidence to show Jeffs fathered a child with a 15-year-old girl.

The FLDS, which has at least 10,000 members nationwide, is a radical offshoot of mainstream Mormonism.

Police raided the group's remote West Texas ranch in April 2008, finding women dressed in frontier-style dresses and hairdos from the 19th century as well as seeing underage girls who were clearly pregnant. The call to an abuse hotline that spurred the raid turned out to be a hoax, and more than 400 children who had been placed in protective custody were eventually returned to their families.

## U.S. levies sanctions on Syrian business mogul

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Obama administration moved Thursday to further isolate Syrian President Bashar Assad and his inner circle for their brutal crackdown on anti-government protesters by imposing sanctions on a prominent pro-regime businessman and his firm.

The new penalties announced by the Treasury Department did not, however, target Syria's energy sector, something administration officials had repeatedly over the past several weeks suggested was coming. Officials said those sanctions, which are expected to hit state-owned and -affiliated oil and gas companies that are a leading revenue source for the government, are still in the works and could be unveiled in the coming days.

Thursday's sanctions against Assad family confidante Muhammad Hamsho and his firm, Hamsho International Group, freeze any assets they may have in U.S. jurisdictions and bar Americans from doing business with them. Hamsho's holding company has about 20 subsidiaries ranging from construction, civil engineering, telecommunications and hotels to carpet sales, horse trading and ice cream production.

Treasury Undersecretary David S. Cohen said Hamsho, who is also a member of Syria's parliament, had become wealthy through his connections to Assad and his brother, Mahir, and other members of the regime who have ordered the crackdown on the five-month-old uprising.

The European Union imposed additional sanctions on Syria this week and on Wednesday, the U.N. Security Council condemned the violence. On Capitol Hill, lawmakers have been demanding the administration broaden its approach by slapping penalties on more regime members.

State Department spokesman Mark Toner said Thursday's announcement should not be seen as a one-time-only action.

"We're looking at ways to increase both political and financial pressure on Assad, and look at ways to put a squeeze on them, on his regime if you will, to constrain their revenue and to make it harder for them to carry out these kinds of assaults," he told reporters. "What's important is that we continue to build the pressure. We're looking at sanctions, additional sanctions and measures we can take in the days coming. And we're going to continue to look at additional measures we can take that apply that pressure."

■ Carl Edwards puts an end to drama, re-signs with Rousch./B2



■ NASCAR/B2  
 ■ MLB Baseball/B3  
 ■ Scoreboard/B4  
 ■ Lottery, TV/B4  
 ■ Entertainment/B5  
 ■ Youth sports/B6

## Finally! NFL players make it official by signing new CBA

### HGH test added to new deal

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — NFL players ratified a new, 10-year collective bargaining agreement Thursday, hours after it was finalized, and two people familiar with the negotiations told The Associated Press the contract allows the NFL to become the first major U.S. professional sports league to use blood testing for human growth hormone. They spoke on condition

of anonymity because no formal announcement had been made about the details of the CBA.

Players eventually would be subject to random testing for HGH, in addition to annual checks — as is the case for all banned substances in the league's drug-testing program — only after the union is confident in the way the testing and appeals process will work.

The aim is to have everything worked out in time to

start HGH testing by Week 1 of the regular season, but that is not guaranteed.

"We have to see if we agree with the test," Jacksonville Jaguars cornerback Rashean Mathis said. "If we agree with the test, then it's legit. If not, they have to come up with another one."

Most of the deal to end the NFL's 4½-month lockout was agreed to last month, but certain elements still needed to be ironed out after the NFL Players Association re-established itself as a union. The union — which dissolved itself in

March, when the old CBA expired, allowing players to sue the league in federal court — was again formed by last weekend. Final CBA language was in place Thursday afternoon in talks between the sides' lawyers in Washington.

Before 5 p.m. EDT, players voted to approve the final agreement. That allowed players who signed contracts July 26 or after — and had been forced to sit out practices by NFL rules — to finally join teammates in drills Thursday, as the

See NFL/Page B4

### Could Favre be headed to Dolphins?

Associated Press

DAVIE — Brett Favre in a Miami Dolphins uniform?

It seems unlikely, but Dolphins coach Tony Sparano isn't completely shooting down the farfetched notion either.

Asked Thursday if he would "rule out any possibility of interest" in Favre, Sparano stammered a bit before saying that the team doesn't automatically dismiss any idea

when scanning who's available to possibly add to the roster.

Sparano says, "I don't know how you want me to answer that. That'll be all over the news now too, but I'm giving you the only answer I can give you."

The 41-year-old Favre has insisted he's done playing football, but after several years of flirting with retirement talk has spread he could return.

## Rays win a wild one

### Rookie ties game in 11th inning, wins it in 12th

Associated Press

ST. PETERSBURG — If the Tampa Bay Rays are going to make a push for another playoff berth, they'll likely need help from newcomers like Desmond Jennings and Robinson Chirinos.

The rookies were major contributors Thursday, helping the defending AL East champions rally twice in extra innings to beat the Toronto Blue Jays 7-6.

Jennings' solo homer in the 10th made it 4-all. Chirinos tied it again in the 11th with a two-out, pinch-hit single up the middle against Shawn Camp (1-2), then won it with another two-out single in the 12th.

A third rookie, right-hander Brandon Gomes (1-1), pitched one scoreless inning for his first major league win.

"Those guys are showing they definitely belong in the big leagues," Rays designated hitter Johnny Damon said.

"It's not like we have to wait for them to be good. I feel very confident in them," manager Joe Maddon added. "Obviously, they lack experience. Obviously they need to be tested in even hotter moments than today. But I think they can achieve in those moments because their makeup is so good, combined with their skill level."

Tampa Bay loaded the bases in the 12th on B.J. Upton's one-out triple and a pair of intentional walks. One out later, Chirinos grounded a single off Camp past diving shortstop Yunel Escobar.

The Rays said Chirinos became the first rookie with separate tying and winning hits in extra innings of the same game since Nick Green did it for Atlanta against Boston on July 2, 2004.

Slumping slugger Evan Longoria, who entered the day on a 3-for-33 slide that dropped his batting average to .226, hit a three-run homer for Tampa Bay. Jose Bautista hit his major league-leading 33rd home run for Toronto, a solo shot off Wade Davis that made it 3-all in the eighth.

See RAYS/Page B3

# Back in the game



Associated Press

Fans react as Tiger Woods hits from off the 16th fairway during first round play in the Bridgestone Invitational golf tournament at Firestone Country Club in Akron, Ohio on Thursday.

## Tiger off to strong start at Bridgestone

### Scott in lead with Woods' old caddie

Associated Press

AKRON, Ohio — Tiger Woods appeared to face a big test Thursday in his return to golf.

It was a 3-wood around the trees on the 658-yard 16th hole at Firestone that required him to go at it hard, cut short his backswing to produce the sharp fade, then let the momentum of his motion carry his body forward with an awkward step.

Only it didn't feel like that big of a deal to Woods.

"I was just trying to hit a cut," he said. "I didn't feel any problem with that."

His only concern in the Bridgestone Invitational was that he hit the ball too flush and too far. He still managed three birdies, in-

cluding a 30-foot putt on the 16th hole, that carried him to a 2-under 68 and sent a strong statement that his leg was as healthy as he thought.

His game wasn't half bad, either. "It feels great," Woods said. "As anybody who's been off and who's been injured, first time back it's a little nervous to see what happens. But my practice sessions were good, so there's no reason why I should be worried out there. I went out there and let it go, let it rip and see what happens."

His ex-caddie saw some familiar golf at Firestone, too.

Steve Williams, now working permanently for Adam Scott after Woods fired him a month ago, watched the Australian play flawless in matching his career-low round on the PGA Tour with a 62 that gave Scott a one-shot lead over Jason Day.

Williams was on the bag for all seven of Woods' wins at Firestone,

including his 11-shot win in 2000 when Woods had a 61 in the second round and set the tournament record at 259.

"He didn't think it was a big deal to shoot 62," Scott said with a grin. "It was normal."

Despite all the interest about Woods' return, there was nothing special about his score, even if it was his lowest opening round this year.

The conditions were so soft and calm that 39 players in the 78-man field broke par, a record number for any round in the 12 years this World Golf Championship has been played on Firestone South.

The scoring average was 69.63, the lowest since the opening round in 2001. Scott, who birdied four of his last six holes, had the lowest opening round ever at Firestone.

Day, who tied for second with Scott at the Masters, shot a 63 in

See TIGER/Page B4

## To stretch or not to stretch

Recently, I consulted a 53-year-old marathoner who had to stop running due to a recurrent Achilles tendon and calf problem. His miles of running in training had stretched and

inflamed the tendon fibers. He was religiously stretching his calf trying to "stretch the knot

out". By simply not stretching, he was able to train and win a recent national age group level half marathon. Few runners need extra range of motion for any joint. Stretching in their routine has become a habit, which can lead to injury.

Most athletes, weekend warriors and professionals alike, are faced with the dilemma of stretching or not and the recommendation to stretch or not changes from

See JOSEPH/Page B4



Ron Joseph DOCTOR'S ORDERS

## Something old and something new...

Yes, the tennis column is back in your Citrus County Chronicle. Information has been coming in

and some of it is time sensitive so it could not wait until September. The new USTA leagues' information is not complete yet, so that will be in next week's issue.

This first week we start with something new. Junior Tennis Lessons 10U (10-ish and Under). It is a program that is an addition to the Junior Circuit Tennis (JCT), which will have its second season later this year.

Power to the Little People is a program that has instruction, drills, play and FUN, for kids 10-ish and under, who want to learn to play tennis. They had their first meeting on Monday night at Sugarmill Woods/Oak Village Tennis Center. Everyone had a blast and is looking forward to next week. The eight-week schedule is provided below.

Both programs are again a collaboration between area USPTA Certified Professionals: Rick Scholl of Sugarmill

See TENNIS/Page B4

## Sickler catches his fair share of warranted attention

Warner University catcher Herb Sickler, a 2008 graduate of Crystal River High School, was a first-team Sun Conference selection and led the Royals in seven major offensive categories as a junior in 2011.



Special to the Chronicle

### Former CR standout earns MVP

J.M. SORACCHI Sports reporter

Herb Sickler has always been a person of few words. While he is certainly friendly, Sickler expresses himself best on a baseball field.

In that respect, absolutely nothing has changed. After three standout years at Crystal River High School and a two-year turn at what is now Indian River State College, Sickler landed at Warner University.

Warner is a NAIA school based in Lake Wales and Sickler's bat picked up where it left off as the slugger led the Royals in batting average (.312), home runs (2), slugging (.444), on-base percentage (.414), hits (59), RBIs (42) and doubles. In fact, Sickler's 19 doubles were one away from tying the school record for a single season in 2011 as a junior.

Warner University's starting catcher played in 52 of 53 total games and started in every one in which he played.

Behind the plate, the

See SICKLER/Page B4













COMING TOMORROW

ADULT LEAGUE SPORTS



COMING TUESDAY

CITRUS COUNTY SPEEDWAY



COMING WEDNESDAY

HITTING THE LINKS



COMING THURSDAY

OUTDOORS

Page B6- FRIDAY, AUGUST 5, 2011

# GET IN THE GAME

## A hot weekend — in more ways than one

CRYSTA HENRY  
Special to the Chronicle

The only thing hotter than the weather this past weekend was the Sun Coast Swim Team's three-day Florida Swimming 2011 Area 3 Summer Championships at the North Shore Aquatic Center in St. Petersburg.

Twenty-eight SCST swimmers completed 167 individual swims and 54 of these swims were 1st time efforts either by new swimmers or old SCST veterans trying something new. Of the remaining 113 swims, 70 (that's 61.9 percent) were personal bests. "Personal bests are what we emphasize most at SCST," coach Thomas Kennedy said. He went on to say, "While many SCST swimmers do receive tangible awards it is improving their own times that often means most to them."

SCST swimmers also earned individual medals for five first place, six second place and four 3rd place finishes from Dylan Earnheart, Genevieve Kennedy, Ethan Kennedy, and Malachi Oakes. In addition competing in finals and consolation finals were Jordan Collins, Taylor Clary, Erin Cregan, Andrei Geist, Jacob Penn, Marissa Penn, Steven Penn, and Frankie Reese.

Head Coach Capt. Thomas Holme said, "This has always been a great meet and a terrific way to end the competitive year and begin a new one." Holme went on to say, "I look forward to recognizing all our swimmers on Saturday (August 13th) and presenting ASCA Achievement Awards to our swimmers who have surpassed USA Swimming's motivational standards during the past year and who have set new or broken old team records. SCST swimmers set 13 at new team records at the Area 3 meet alone. For complete meet results visit the SCST web page at [www.SunCoastSwimTeam.com](http://www.SunCoastSwimTeam.com)

SCST will begin their Fall practice schedule the week of August 8. SCST is always looking for new swimmers and holds swimmer evaluations to help place swimmers into appropriate practice groups. Practices are held at Bicentennial Park Pool in Crystal River. SCST is a USA Swimming "year-round swim program." Fall practices are held on



Photos by CRYSTA HENRY/Special to the Chronicle

The Sun Coast Swim Team competed in the three-day Florida Swimming 2011 Area 3 Summer Championships at the North Shore Aquatic Center in St. Petersburg this past weekend. Shown above are some of the 28 swimmers that competed in the championships.

Tuesdays and Thursdays 5:30 p.m. - 7 p.m., and Saturdays, 9 a.m. - 11 a.m.

Citrus County Parks & Recreation also offers many programs for all ages including swim lessons, lap swimming, recreational swimming, and pool rental are all available. For more information contact the Bicentennial Park Pool (352) 795-1478.

### Nature Coast flag football starts Aug. 20

The Nature Coast Flag Football season will begin Saturday August 20 at Lecanto High School football field. There will be three upper division games and three lower division games every Saturday, weather permitting, starting at 9 a.m. 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 op-

portunity 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).

### P.L.A.Y.

Citrus County Parks and Recreation is offering a great sports opportunity for your little one, who may be too young to join the organized sports leagues within the county. The P.L.A.Y. Program, which is an acronym for Preparing Little Athletes Youth Program, was created for those children who are "ready" to play sports, but just aren't old enough.

Soccer and T-ball will be the sports offered for this session of P.L.A.Y. and they will begin September 6. 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 Tues-

days and also at Bicentennial Park on Thursdays.

All nights and locations have two time slots to choose from and they are 5-6 p.m. or 6-7 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, (352) 527-7543 or visit [www.citruscountyparks.com](http://www.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 accommodations, 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).

### Youth Golf

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



A Citrus County youngster enjoys kicking around a soccer ball during one of the P.L.A.Y. events held in the area.



Amelia Price (below) and Ethan Kennedy (above) were just two of the 28 swimmers that represented the Sun Coast Swim Team in this past weekend's swimming championships at the North Shore Aquatic Center in St. Petersburg.



**In Saturday's Classifieds**

Shop in our  
 Garage and Yard Sales Category  
**SAVE BIG!**



# Instrument 'switcheroo' mark of 100 Monkeys

*Band entertains Tampa with its unique sound, acting musicians*

**SAMANTHA KENNEDY**  
*Chronicle Intern*

100 Monkeys performed their "monkey switcheroo" on stage recently at the Orpheum in Tampa.

The band consisting of Jackson Rathbone, Jerad Anderson, Uncle, Ben Graupner and Ben Johnson acts "crazy, like a bunch of monkeys" on stage, Rathbone told the *Chronicle*.

This is how they created the "monkey switcheroo": Between songs, the different band members will get

up and switch instruments.

"We all know how to play them, so it keeps things exciting for the audience," Graupner said.

Members of this unsigned "funk rock" band met in Los Angeles, where they combined all the types of music the individuals have previously played.

"The fact that we're all crazy, and that we combined different genres of music is how we came up with the name," Rathbone said. "It just kind of — fit."

The band's latest album,

"Liquid Zoo," was released in June.

According to information from the band's official website, [www.100monkeysmusic.com](http://www.100monkeysmusic.com), RollingStone.com has described 100 Monkeys music as "tribal sounds with vocals recalling Jim Morrison's baritone croon," and MTV.com pronounced them a blend of "Iggy Pop with the Raconteurs."

Rathbone's talents include acting in "The Last Airbender," but he is perhaps best known for his role as Jasper Hale in the "Twilight" saga. Graupner's acting credits include "Trapped in the 5150" and "Devolved"; Anderson's other interests include Wayne/Lauren Film Com-

pany, and Johnson is also part of the Stevedores.

"Our fan base is growing," Johnson said, "it's a really exciting thing to see."

Before the July 28 show, a line formed outside the Orpheum where most people either had on a 100 Monkeys shirt, or had some type of monkey-related memorabilia.

However, the road to Ybor wasn't all fun and games.

"We met the ghost in Detroit," Johnson said. "Different parts of our set randomly went out. First the mics, then the drums, then all the lights themselves. It was a crazy experience."

Apart from the "monkey



Special to the Chronicle  
**100 Monkeys consists of Jackson Rathbone, Jerad Anderson, Uncle, Ben Graupner and Ben Johnson. Rathbone is best known for his role as Jasper Hale in the "Twilight" saga.**

See **MONKEYS/Page C5**

**T  
H  
E  
M**



**B  
O  
Y  
S**

# HAMILTON

*Brothers bring South Florida flavor to Homosassa pub*

**CHERI HARRIS**  
*Staff Writer*

A Naples band with Citrus County ties will bring its South Florida country style to a concert Saturday at the Manatee Pub in Homosassa.

Hayden and Nick Hamilton of Them Hamilton Boys will start the music at 5 p.m., bringing a blend of rock and country favorites and a few originals.

Lead guitarist and singer Hayden Hamilton said he and his brother Nick met the other two band members in high school.

"We've known each other forever," 18-year-old Hayden said, "and we started to get together and start playing about three years ago."

Nick, 21, plays rhythm guitar and sings. Doug Meier plays drums and Bryan Flores plays bass. Hayden said Meier and Flores would not be at the Saturday

■ **WHAT:** Hayden and Nick Hamilton of Them Hamilton Boys in concert.

■ **WHEN:** 5 p.m. Saturday.

■ **WHERE:** Manatee Pub, at the Manatee Campground Marina, 10175 W. Fishbowl Drive, Homosassa.

■ **CALL:** (352) 628-5337

■ **COST:** No cover charge.

■ **GET INFO:** [www.facebook.com/HamiltonBoys](http://www.facebook.com/HamiltonBoys)

show due to scheduling conflicts.

Hayden and Nick have been coming to Homosassa for years because their family has a vacation home in the community. This will be their second performance at Manatee Pub.

The musical foursome recently started playing shows, with about 10 gigs since January and about 20 since the band's inception.

Hayden said all the band members are in college. He is a health science major at Florida Gulf Coast University, and

Nick's major is criminal justice.

Their musical influences include Charlie Daniels, Lynyrd Skynyrd, Jimi Hendrix, Molly Hatchet, George Jones, Hank Williams Jr. and Johnny Cash.

"We have a bunch," Hayden said.

He noted Nick plays more country and he plays more rock 'n' roll.

The band is set to head to Nashville soon to record an album. Their goal is to play music as a career.

"We actually just finished writing a song for our new album," Hayden said.

The title: "Christians, Drunks and Drug Runners."

Hayden said he and Nick collaborated on it. Nick wrote the music and Hayden wrote the lyrics and then Meier and Flores added their creative flair.

The song is about some of the region's colorful characters.

"Just, like, the generation of people that I've grown up around, seen and had to deal with my whole life here in South Florida," Hayden said.

But he wanted to make one thing clear: "We personally are not drunks or drug runners. We are Christians, but I don't want to get the wrong idea going about the band."

*Chronicle reporter Cheri Harris can be reached at (352) 564-2926 or [charris@chronicleonline.com](mailto:charris@chronicleonline.com).*



Heather Foster  
**FOSTER ON FILM**

**'Cowboys and Aliens'**  
 tamely entertains

**F**or its silly title, "Cowboys and Aliens" is not really a parody. Somehow, filmmakers laced this simple western yarn with intergalactic peril and kept a straight face.

I'll hand it to them: It takes gumption to hybridize these opposites into something other than a joke. But "Cowboys" loses its magic in the efforts for cohesion. What results is a mildly entertaining cluster of zany potential.

A man (Daniel Craig) wakes up in the middle of the desert wearing a strange bracelet. He does not remember where he came from, his relatives, associates, or even his name. He journeys to the nearest town, Absolution, which is run by tough-living cattleman Woodrow Dolarhyde (Harrison Ford).

The stranger soon discovers he is Jake Lonergan, a wanted criminal. Jake's popularity plummets when aliens raid the township the night of his arrival. Hoping to clear his name and get to the bottom of his predicament, Lonergan helps Dolarhyde and Absolution residents rescue their abducted kin.

The acting gives "Cowboys and Aliens" a boost. Craig puts on a convincing country accent and bashes alien baddies with brutal "007" finesse. Strange as it is to imagine the solemn Brit strutting in cowboy boots, his style is brilliant. As Dolarhyde, Ford is tough as nails but exhibits a likeable soft side. While not a major character, Ford's presence helps.

As for visuals, the toothy extraterrestrials are creepy as ever, and close-ups are ample. Even their spaceships have a sinister, buggy quality. Nice as the aliens and their technologies look, though, they are not memorable. Screenwriters conjured a cockamamie reason for the aliens to plunder Earth, but it doesn't feel kooky enough. The aliens, their ships and their environments are grimy and grey. The worn, organic look falls in line with "realistic" CGI but lacks style. The story's blasé attitude also saps creative flair.

By and large, "Cowboys and Aliens" is not insane, rip-roaring fun but amusing enough. I give it a B-

With a running time of 118 minutes, "Cowboys and Aliens" is rated PG-13 for intense sequences of western and sci-fi action violence, some partial nudity and a brief crude reference.

## Review: 'Rise' of the apes is big, ridiculous summer fun

*Movie half prequel, half sequel*

**CHRISTY LEMIRE**  
*AP Movie Critic*

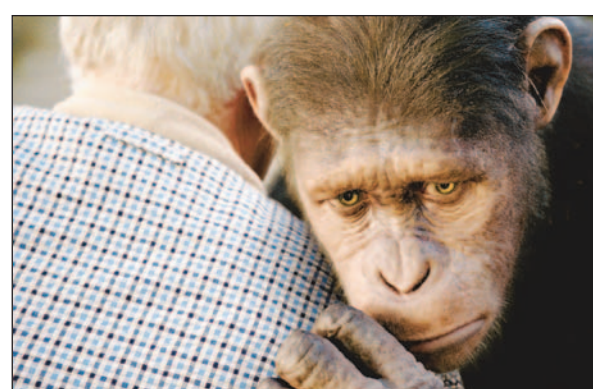
Silly humans. We're so arrogant. We see a cute, cuddly baby chimp, assign all kinds of familiar characteristics to it and raise it with the loving playfulness we'd give our own children, only to find the creature's unpredictable and ferocious animal nature wins out in the end.

If the documentary "Project Nim" didn't serve as

enough of a warning for us earlier this summer, now we have the blockbuster "Rise of the Planet of the Apes," which is sort of a prequel and sort of a sequel and sort of a reboot. Mainly, it's a spectacle. Except for a couple of cute nods to the 1968 Charlton Heston original, "Rise" pretty much functions as its own stand-alone entity.

Sure, it might be trying to teach us a lesson about hubris, provide some insight

into the darker elements of human nature we'd rather not acknowledge. But mostly it's about angry, 'roided-up chimps clambering across cars on the Golden Gate Bridge, giving a hairy smack-down to the outmatched California Highway Patrol officers who are foolish enough to stand in their way. The second you see cops arriving on horseback in a futile attempt at keeping the peace, you just know that one of these primates is



Associated Press  
**Caesar the chimp, a CG animal portrayed by Andy Serkis, is shown in a scene from "Rise of the Planet of the Apes."**

See **APES/Page C5**

*Heather Foster is a junior at the University of Florida.*

**FESTIVALS**

■ **30th annual Downtown Festival & Art Show**, Nov. 12 and 13, Gainesville.

**THEATER**

■ **Live Oak Theatre Company's Second Annual Summer Camp** will be from Aug. 8 to 12 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. 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 more information go to [www.LiveOakTheatre.org](http://www.LiveOakTheatre.org) or call (352) 593-0027.

■ **Are We There Yet?** 7 p.m. Friday, Aug. 12 and 2 and 7 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 13 at Ocala Civic Theater. Tickets \$10 for adults and \$6 for students. For reservations or information, call (352) 236-2274 or visit [www.ocalacivictheatre.com](http://www.ocalacivictheatre.com).

■ **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. Sun-

day, 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.

■ **"The Music Man,"** Sept. 23 through Oct. 2 at Eleanor Dempsey Center for the Arts. For more information, call artistic director Randi Olsen at (352) 593-0027.

**DANCE**

■ **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.

■ **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.

■ **Ballroom and Latin Dance Social**, 7 to 10 p.m.

# The Buzz

## Gomez in Hogsmeade



Special to the Chronicle

**Famed teen singer and actress Selena Gomez visited The Wizarding World of Harry Potter at Universal Orlando Resort with family and friends Friday, July 29, stopping at the Hogwarts Express to meet the conductor in Hogsmeade. Hosted by Universal Orlando, Gomez and her backup singers (from left) Ashley Cook, Lindsey Harper and Katelyn Clappett sipped on Butterbeer in Hog's Head pub, rode the Hungarian Horntail coaster on Dragon Challenge and spent the day enjoying Universal Orlando's Islands of Adventure theme park.**

### Hot Tickets

On sale now:

■ **Country Rocks the Canyon, Eric Church with Justin Moore**, 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 10, Rock Crusher Canyon, Crystal River. \$36, \$67.

■ **Colbie Caillat**, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 28, House of Blues Orlando. \$35.

■ **The Airborne Toxic Event**, 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 9, The Ritz Ybor, Tampa. \$21.45.

■ **Joan Rivers**, 8 p.m. Thursday, March 22, Lakeland Center Youkey Theatre, Lakeland. \$38.30, \$74.90.

On sale 10:30 a.m. Monday:

■ **Ray Stevens**, 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 21, The Peabody Daytona Beach. \$49.65, \$70.15.

For tickets and more information, call Ticketmaster at (407) 839-3900 (Orlando), (727) 898-2100 (St. Petersburg) or (813) 287-8844 (Tampa) or online at [www.ticketmaster.com](http://www.ticketmaster.com). Ticket price does not include Ticketmaster surcharge.

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.

■ **Inverness Square Dance Club's** beginner square dance lessons, 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Tuesdays at East Citrus Community Center, 9907 E. Gulf-to-Lake Highway, east of Inverness on State Road 44. Call Robert Scoff at (352) 860-2090 or (352) 465-700. The next enrollment for square dance classes is in April.

■ **Country Line dancing classes**, 9 to 11 a.m. Thursdays at Beverly Hills Recreation Center. \$3 nonmembers. (352) 746-4882 or (352) 527-3738.

■ **Citrus Squares**, 7 p.m. Thursdays, Fellowship Hall of the First United Methodist Church of Dunnellon, 21501

W. State Road 40, Dunnellon. (352) 489-1785 or (352) 465-2142.

■ **So You Think You Can Dance**, 7 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 17, Amway Center, Orlando. \$36.50 to \$70.60. [www.ticketmaster.com](http://www.ticketmaster.com).

■ **Inaugural Manatee Madness Ballroom Dance Festival**, Sept. 17-18, at St. Michael The Archangel Greek Orthodox Church, 4705 West Gulf-to-Lake Highway, Lecanto. First day will be events and dinner dance. Second day will be lessons and demonstrations. For information, contact Sandra at [www.manatee-madness.com](http://www.manatee-madness.com).

■ **Ballet Folklorico "Quetzalli De Veracruz"**, a traditional dance and music group from Veracruz, Mexico, 3 p.m. April 15, 2012, at Curtis Peterson Auditorium in Lecanto High School at 3810 N. Educational Path, Lecanto. Call (352) 873-5810 or (352) 746-6721 ext. 1416 or email [Boxoff1@cf.edu](mailto:Boxoff1@cf.edu).

### WEEKLY LINEUP

■ Nearly a dozen medical professionals contribute their expertise to columns in Health & Life./ **Tuesdays**

■ See what local houses of worship plan to do for the week in the Religion section./ **Saturdays**

■ Read about area businesses in the Business section./ **Sundays**

# ENTERTAINING NOTIONS



## Rustic Ranch Restaurant

The Rustic Ranch Restaurant has been serving fresh food in a comfortable cabin atmosphere for the past year and a half. It is nestled off of Route 41/ 44 in downtown Inverness just past Walgreens, and word is getting around about their fresh menu.

Let's talk about "FRESH". The steaks are handcut and are cooked with the burgers and chicken on a woodburning grill. They offer fresh grouper and seafood entrees, as well as a full bakery serving fresh baked desserts that include homemade bread pudding. The fresh fried green tomatoes are worth the trip by themselves. Entrees are priced from \$4.25 to \$14.95.

The Rustic Ranch Restaurant staff encourages everyone to stop by and give them their vote for the Best Breakfast in the County. Breakfast at the Rustic Ranch includes stuffed French toast, gourmet omelettes, and items fresh from the bakery. Don't forget the fresh squeezed juices. The Rustic Ranch is open for breakfast from 6:00 a.m. every day.

The Rustic Ranch Restaurant serves beer and wine and has a Happy Hour every day with fresh finger foods and occasional entertainment. Banquet facilities are available and catering is provided from their delectable menu choices.

Hours of Operation: Open 7 days a week from 6:00 a.m. Closing times: Monday through Thursday 9:00 p.m., Friday and Saturday 10:00 p.m., and Sunday 8:00 p.m. Call Ahead Seating is available. Phone 352/726-7333. The Rustic Ranch Restaurant is located at 1011 U.S. Highway 41 in Inverness, Florida.

Map showing restaurant locations in Inverness, Florida, including: Inglis, Beverly Hills, Crystal River, Homosassa, and Floral City. Restaurants listed include: Peppermint Patties, Mama Sally's, Dan's Clam Stand, Rocco's Cafe, Heidi's Italian Restaurant, Rustic Ranch Restaurant, and many others.

## Wicked Good New England Food

SERVING BREAKFAST, LUNCH AND DINNER  
6 AM - 7 PM

**ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT STEAMERS**  
Saturday & Sunday Only  
Starting at 11:00am  
**\$14.99** served with potato & corn  
pp  
AUG. 5 & AUG. 6, 2011

**Peppermint Patties**  
FAMILY RESTAURANT  
Corner of Hwy. 19 & Hwy. 40, Inglis  
Hickory Island Plaza  
447-5788

[www.mangogrillhernando.com](http://www.mangogrillhernando.com)

## Mango Grill & Wine Bar

Casual Fine Dining  
1305 Norvell Bryant Hwy., Hernando 352-560-0012

**Mon. Real Maine Lobster Roll - \$14**  
With Salad & Fries

**Tues. 2 Prime Rib Dinners - \$26**  
With Soup Or Salad, Pot. & Veg. & Dessert

**Wed. 8oz. Burger Nite - \$8**  
With Salad & Fries

**Thurs. Real Maine Lobster Pie - \$18** w/Pot. & Veg. & Salad

## CRYSTAL RIVER ALE HOUSE

IT'S ALL ABOUT WATERFRONT DINING

HAPPY HOUR 3PM-7PM  
2-4-1 WELLS & DOMESTIC DRAFT / 50¢ WINGS (MIN. 10)

**WEDNESDAY STEAK NIGHT**  
US Choice Delmonico  
**\$13.99** Served With Red Bliss Potatoes & Vegetable

**FRIDAY ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT 4PM FISH FRY \$9.99**

**\$10% OFF YOUR NEXT VISIT**  
+\$25 OR MORE COUPON REQUIRED

1610 S.E. Paradise Circle, Crystal River  
[www.porthotelandmarina.com](http://www.porthotelandmarina.com) **795-3113**

Check us out on Facebook

## INVERNESS

727 U.S. Hwy. 41 S., Inverness • 341-0233  
Largest Portions In Town!  
Summer Hours: Closed Mon., Tues. - Thurs. 7am-9pm, Fri. & Sat. 7am-9pm, Sun. 7am-4pm

**UNDER NEW OWNERSHIP** LOCATED AT THE CENTRAL MOTEL

**PASTA ALL DAY THURSDAY \$7.99**

**TUESDAY NIGHT KIDS EAT FREE**  
With purchase of dinner. Expires 8/15/11

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT SENIORS NIGHT 10% OFF** Everything for Seniors

Eggplant Parmesan, Chicken Parmesan, Spaghetti & Sausage. Comes with garlic toast.

## Pizzeria & Ristorante ITALIANO

**Authentic Neapolitan Cuisine**  
We Look Forward to Seeing You Soon!

OPEN 7 DAYS A WEEK! MON-THURS 11AM-9PM, FRI 11AM-10PM • SAT 4PM-10PM • SUN 12-9PM

1546 US HWY 41, INVERNESS 352.419.6554

MON. - FRI. 11AM-4PM

## Summer Specials

**2 for \$20**

**Appetizer, 2 Entrees, & Dessert**

Must have original coupon. Not valid with other offers. Expires 8/11/11



Music

Free Fridays Concert Series, 8 to 10 p.m. Friday nights from May 6 to Oct. 14, at Bo Diddley Community Plaza...

Aug. 5 — Country music artist Danny Wooten and his band Southern Slang.

Aug. 12 — Heavy Petty, Gainesville's own Tom Petty and the Heartbreakers tribute band...

Hillsong United, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 5, St. Pete Times Forum...

The Country Sunshine Band, 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Fridays, East Citrus Community Center...

John Thomas Traditional Country Music Show and Jam, 6 to 9 p.m. Mondays weekly...

Pianist and singer Andrea will perform an extended engagement in the east dining room every Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday...

Bryan Adams, 8 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 10, at Ruth Eckerd Hall...

The Alabama Blues Brothers, 7 p.m. Aug. 19, at Circle Square Cultural Center...

Rascal Flatts with Sara Evans, Easton Corbin and Justin Moore, 7 p.m. Friday, Aug. 19...

Alison Krauss & Union Station featuring Jerry Douglas, 7 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 21, at Ruth Eckerd Hall...

Patrick Stump, 7 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 21, Orpheum, Tampa...

Train and Maroon 5, 7 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 31, 1-800-ASK-GARY Amphitheatre...

Tears for Fears, 8 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 1, Ruth Eckerd Hall...

Erasur, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 2, House of Blues Orlando...

Brad Paisley with Blake Shelton and Jerrod Niemann, 4 p.m. Friday, Sept. 9...

Return To Forever, 8 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 11, Ruth Eckerd Hall...

Journey with special guests Foreigner and Night Ranger, 7 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 17...

Marc Anthony, 8 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 18, Amway Center, Orlando...

Elvis Costello, 7:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 19, Bob Carr Performing Arts Centre...

Blink 182 and My Chemical Romance, 7 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 24...

Stryper, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 16, House of Blues Orlando...

Incubus, 8 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 18, 1-800-ASK-GARY Amphitheatre...

Blondie, 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 24, at Ruth Eckerd Hall...

Weird Al Yankovic, 8 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 5, Hard Rock Live Orlando...

Arctic Monkeys, 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 7, Hard Rock Live Orlando...

The Buzz Singing for free



Special to the Chronicle

Country music artist Danny Wooten and his band Southern Slang will perform at the Free Fridays concert series tonight in Gainesville.



Special to the Chronicle

Heavy Petty, Gainesville's own Tom Petty and the Heartbreakers tribute band, will perform at the Free Fridays concert series Aug. 12.

www.ticketmaster.com.

Cyndi Lauper & Dr. John: From Memphis to Mardi Gras, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 7...

k. d. lang and The Siss Boom Bang, 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 7, Ruth Eckerd Hall...

Peter Dinklage, 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 8, Ruth Eckerd Hall...

\$39.50. Call (727) 791-7400 or visit www.ruth EckerdHall.com.

Hymn Festival 3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 9, at First United Methodist Church...

Peter Frampton, 8 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 11, Hard Rock Live Orlando...

Adele, 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 13, Hard Rock Live Orlando...

www.ticketmaster.com.

NCFB 2011 Live Music Series

Nature Coast Friends of Blues (NCFB) presents the 2011 Live Music Series line-up...

Saturday, Oct. 15 — Veronika Jackson.

Saturday, Nov. 5 — Blues'n Bar-B-Que benefiting Hospice of Citrus County...

Dolly Parton, 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 15, Ruth Eckerd Hall...

Bassnectar, 9 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 20, Hard Rock Live Orlando...

Bela Fleck & the Flecktones, 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 21, House of Blues Orlando...

Enrique Iglesias with Pitbull and Prince Royce, 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 21, Amway Center...

The Toasters, 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 22, The Local 662, St. Petersburg...

Dream Theater, 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 22, at Ruth Eckerd Hall...

Nature Coast Community Band concert dates:

Saturday, Oct. 29, Cornerstone Baptist Church, Inverness.

Sunday, Oct. 30, First United Methodist Church, Homosassa.

Saturday, Dec. 10, Cornerstone.

Sunday Dec. 11, FUMC.

Saturday, March 3, Cornerstone.

Sunday, March 4, FUMC.

Saturday, May 5, Cornerstone.

Sunday, May 6 FUMC. Concert pianist Leslie Hammes, 3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 30...

Taylor Swift, 7 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 12, St. Pete Times Forum...

Dr. Laura Ellis, organ professor at the University of Florida, concert at 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 13...

Joe Bonamassa, blues rock, 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 25, Ruth Eckerd Hall...

George Thorogood & the Destroyers, 6 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 27...

Andrea Bocelli, 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 4, St. Pete Times Forum...

The Central Florida Master Choir's Christmas concert, 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 5...

Loretta Lynn, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 9, Lakeland Center Youkey Theatre...

International concert organist David Hart, 3 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 8...

Gordon Lightfoot, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 19, Daytona Beach Peabody Auditorium...

The Lennon Sisters, 2:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 20, Daytona Beach Peabody Auditorium...

Concerts at the Old Courthouse, a series to benefit the Citrus County Historical Society...

ENTERTAINING NOTIONS banner with silhouettes of people at a party.

RESTAURANT & BAKERY THE RUSTIC RANCH. VOTE! VOTE! WIN A SCOOTER! 10% OFF ANY MEAL.

GRIFFIN'S BAR. FRIDAY AUG. 5 COUNTRY NIGHT / SATURDAY AUG. 6 LADIES NIGHT. SUNDAY FUN DAY 1-2AM.

ARMANTE'S RESTAURANT. Tuesday - BOGO Medium Pizzas. Wednesday - Wing Night/AUCE BBQ Ribs.

Is your restaurant starving for customers? Call your sales representative to make reservations. 1.352.563.5592

10% OFF entire check with this ad. Complete Meals Starting at \$8.95. Enrico's Italian RESTORANTE.

SUGARMILL FAMILY RESTAURANT. Two Complete Dinners \$12.99. Wednesday & Thursday Steak Night 8 oz. Ribeye Steak Complete Dinner \$7.49.

Hawaiian Luau. Saturday, August 6 • 7-11PM. FREE FOOD. JELLO SHOTS. KARAOKÉ NIGHT.

EVERY FRIDAY 4:00PM-8:00PM FISH FRY or CALAMARI and Other Foods \$8.00 TO \$9.00.





# Readers Choice



# Winner's Circle



0008373

<b>ACCOUNTANT</b> Winner <b>Price and Company</b> 795-6118	<b>BOAT &amp; MOTOR REPAIR &amp; SERVICE</b> Honorable Mention <b>Crystal River Marine</b> 352-795-2597					<b>MEDICAL SUPPLIES/EQUIPMENT</b> Honorable Mention <b>B &amp; W Rexall Drugs</b> 352-726-1021	<b>REAL ESTATE OFFICE</b> Winner <b>Exit Realty</b> www.exitrealtyleaders.com			
<b>AIR CONDITIONING/HEATING</b> Winner <b>Bay Area Air Conditioning &amp; Heating</b> 795-2665	<b>BOAT TOURS</b> Honorable Mention <b>River Safaris</b> www.riversafaris.com					<b>MOBILE HOME DEALER</b> Honorable Mention <b>Taylor Made Homes</b> 352-621-9181	<b>REAL ESTATE OFFICE</b> Honorable Mention <b>ERA</b> www.era.com			
<b>AIR CONDITIONING/HEATING</b> Honorable Mention <b>Alpha Air Service</b> 352-726-2202	<b>BODY SHOP</b> Winner <b>Dave's Body Shop</b> www.davesbodyshop.net					<b>MOTORCYCLE DEALER</b> Honorable Mention <b>Honda of Crystal River</b> www.hondaofcrystalriver.com	<b>REMODELING CONTRACTOR</b> Winner <b>Flynn Builders</b> 352-746-5992			
<b>AIR CONDITIONING/HEATING</b> Honorable Mention <b>Senica Air Conditioning</b> 352-795-9685	<b>BOOK STORE</b> Winner <b>Poe House Books</b> 795-3887					<b>MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS</b> Honorable Mention <b>FS Music at Crystal River Mall</b> 352-795-5009	<b>REPLACEMENT WINDOWS</b> Winner <b>Tropical Windows</b> 352-795-4226			
<b>ALUMINUM CONTRACTOR/SCREEN ENCLOSURE</b> Winner <b>Blackshears II Aluminum, Inc.</b> 795 9722	<b>BURGLAR ALARM SYSTEM</b> Winner <b>Schlabach Security</b> www.ssonline.biz					<b>NAIL SALON</b> Winner <b>All About Nails &amp; Hair</b> 352-795-6666	<b>ROOFING COMPANY</b> Winner <b>AAA Roofing</b> 352-563-0411			
<b>APPLIANCE REPAIR</b> Honorable Mention <b>Welch Appliances</b> 726-1911	<b>BURGLAR ALARM SYSTEM</b> Honorable Mention <b>Powers Protection</b> 352-746-3500					<b>NEWSPAPER</b> Winner <b>Citrus County Chronicle</b> 352-795-6666	<b>RV DEALER</b> Winner <b>Como Auto Sales</b> 352-344-1411			
<b>ARTS &amp; CRAFTS STORE</b> Honorable Mention <b>Scrap &amp; Stamps Art Studio</b> 352-637-4200	<b>CAMPGROUND</b> Winner <b>Camp N Water</b> www.campnwater.com					<b>OPTICAL/VISION CENTER</b> Honorable Mention <b>MezMerEyes Optical Boutique</b> 352-795-2020	<b>RV DEALER</b> Honorable Mention <b>Gist RV</b> 352-726-0405			
<b>ASSISTED LIVING FACILITY</b> Winner <b>Cypress Cove Care Center</b> 795-8832	<b>CANDY SHOP</b> Winner <b>Chocolates by Vanessa</b> 352-527-3378					<b>FLORIST</b> Honorable Mention <b>The Flower Basket</b> 352-726-9666	<b>GOLF COURSE</b> Honorable Mention <b>Twisted Oaks Country Club</b> www.twistedoaksgc.com	<b>JEWELRY STORE</b> Honorable Mention <b>Whalen Jewelers</b> 352-726-4709	<b>PAINT CONTRACTOR</b> Winner <b>Bud Sasada Painting</b> 352-795-1448	<b>RV DEALER</b> Honorable Mention <b>Nature Coast RV</b> 352-795-7820
<b>ASSISTED LIVING FACILITY</b> Honorable Mention <b>Cedar Creek at Kings Bay</b> www.cedarcreeklife.com	<b>CARPET &amp; RUG CLEANER</b> Honorable Mention <b>ServiceMaster</b> 352-794-0270					<b>FOREIGN AUTO REPAIR</b> Winner <b>All Prestige Automotive</b> 352-795-7000	<b>HAIR SALON</b> Honorable Mention <b>Abitare Paris</b> 352-563-0011	<b>JEWELRY STORE</b> Honorable Mention <b>Jim Green Jewelers</b> 352-563-0633	<b>PAINT STORE</b> Winner <b>Citrus Paint &amp; Wallpaper</b> 352-795-3613	<b>SKILLED NURSING FACILITY</b> Winner <b>The Health Center at Brentwood</b> 352-746-6600
<b>ASSISTED LIVING FACILITY</b> Honorable Mention <b>Sunflower Springs Assisted Living Community</b> 352-621-8017	<b>CARPET/FLOOR COVERING</b> Winner <b>Joes Carpet</b> 352-726-4465					<b>FOREIGN AUTO REPAIR</b> Honorable Mention <b>Chuck's Complete Car Care</b> 352-563-1600	<b>HARDWARE STORE</b> Winner <b>Ace Hardware</b> 352-726-8811	<b>KAYAK SALES/RENTALS</b> Winner <b>Crystal River Kayak Co.</b> 352-795-2255	<b>PAWN BROKER</b> Honorable Mention <b>Colonial Pawn</b> 352-726-8616	<b>SKILLED NURSING FACILITY</b> Honorable Mention <b>Life Care Center</b> 352-746-4434
<b>AUTOMOTIVE REPAIR</b> Winner <b>Crystal Motors</b> www.crystalautos.com	<b>CARPET/FLOOR COVERING</b> Honorable Mention <b>Michael's Floor Covering, Inc</b> 352-341-0813	<b>FOREIGN AUTO REPAIR</b> Honorable Mention <b>Knightly Auto Service</b> 352-563-2811	<b>HARDWARE STORE</b> Winner <b>Kane's Ace Hardware</b> 352-628-3566	<b>KENNELS</b> Winner <b>Lakeside Kennels</b> 352-726-5591	<b>PEST CONTROL SERVICE</b> Winner <b>Citrus Pest Management</b> 352-563-6698	<b>TAX PREPARATION</b> Honorable Mention <b>R.J. Eldredge Co., E.A.</b> 352-344-8300				
<b>AUTOMOTIVE REPAIR</b> Honorable Mention <b>Crystal River Firestone</b> www.crystalriverfirestone.com	<b>CHILD CARE SERVICE</b> Honorable Mention <b>All about Kids</b> 352-746-2828	<b>FUNERAL HOME</b> Winner <b>Hooper Funeral Homes &amp; Crematory</b> 352-726-2271	<b>HEARING AID CENTER</b> Winner <b>Gardner Audiology</b> 352-795-5700	<b>KITCHEN REMODELING</b> Winner <b>Deem's Kitchen &amp; Bath Showrooms</b> 352-628-3122	<b>PET GROOMING</b> Winner <b>Bow Wow Boutique</b> 352-795-1684	<b>T-SHIRT COMPANY</b> Winner <b>Citrus Sports &amp; Apparel</b> 352-564-9402				
<b>AUTOMOTIVE REPAIR</b> Honorable Mention <b>LKQ Auto Repair</b> 352-746-8850	<b>CHIROPRACTOR</b> Winner <b>Citrus Chiropractic Group</b> 352-795-5350	<b>FUNERAL HOME</b> Honorable Mention <b>Stickland Funeral Home</b> 352-795-2678	<b>HOME &amp; REPAIR MAINTENANCE</b> Winner <b>Will Construction Corporation</b> 352-628-2291	<b>LANDSCAPING CENTER</b> Honorable Mention <b>Florida First Landscape &amp; Design</b> 352-621-1944	<b>PET GROOMING</b> Honorable Mention <b>Linda's Grooming House</b> 352-628-3842	<b>VETERINARIAN</b> Winner <b>Lecanto Veterinary Hospital</b> 352-270-8819				
<b>BARBER SHOP</b> Winner <b>Fred's Barber Shop</b> 864 Hwy. 44 Crystal River	<b>DAY SPA</b> Winner <b>Serenity Day Spa</b> www.serenitydayspainc.com	<b>FURNITURE</b> Winner <b>Badcock Furniture</b> www.badcock.com	<b>HOME REPAIR &amp; MAINTENANCE</b> Honorable Mention <b>Papa Bear Construction</b> 352-628-5454	<b>LAWN CARE</b> Winner <b>Clover Lawn Sod &amp; Irrigation</b> 352-746-4451	<b>PET STORE</b> Winner <b>Fancy's Pets</b> 352-563-5100	<b>VETERINARIAN</b> Honorable Mention <b>Midway Animal Hospital</b> 352-795-7110				
<b>BOAT DEALER</b> Winner <b>Apopka Marine</b> 352-726-7773	<b>DAY SPA</b> Honorable Mention <b>Abitare Paris</b> www.abitaredayspa.com	<b>FURNITURE</b> Honorable Mention <b>Furniture Palace</b> 352-726-2999	<b>INSURANCE AGENCY</b> Winner <b>The Hagar Group</b> 352-726-1691	<b>MATTRESS DEALER</b> Winner <b>Comfort Mattress</b> 352-628-0808	<b>PLUMBER</b> Winner <b>Bob Tsacrios Plumbing</b> 352-621-7705	<b>WATER SOFTENING &amp; CONDITIONING</b> Honorable Mention <b>Best Buy Water</b> 352-795-0003				
<b>BOAT DEALER</b> Honorable Mention <b>Crystal River Marine</b> 352-795-2597	<b>DIVE SHOP</b> Winner <b>American Pro Diving Center</b> 352-563-0041	<b>GARAGE DOOR INSTALLERS</b> Winner <b>Tri-County Overhead Door Co.</b> 352-726-0072	<b>INSURANCE COMPANY</b> Honorable Mention <b>Bell Family Insurance</b> 352-628-6168	<b>MEDICAL CENTER</b> Winner <b>Citrus Memorial Health System</b> www.citrusmh.org	<b>PLUMBER</b> Honorable Mention <b>Suncoast Plumbing</b> 352-628-6608	<b>WEIGHT LOSS CENTER</b> Winner <b>Dr Redrick-Medical Weight Loss Center</b> 352-564-8245				
<b>BOAT DEALER</b> Honorable Mention <b>Gulfcoast Marine</b> 352-628-5885	<b>FLEA MARKET</b> Winner <b>Howard's Flea Market</b> 352-628-3532	<b>GARBAGE DISPOSAL</b> Winner <b>FDS Disposal, Inc</b> 352-746-0617	<b>INTERIOR DECORATOR</b> Honorable Mention <b>Smart Interiors</b> www.smartinteriorsfurn.com	<b>MEDICAL CENTER</b> Honorable Mention <b>Allen Ridge Family Care Center</b> 352-746-2700	<b>PRINTER</b> Winner <b>Homosassa Printing</b> www.homosassaprinting.com	<b>WINDOW TREATMENTS</b> Winner <b>Vertical Blinds of Homosassa</b> 352-628-7888				
<b>BOAT &amp; MOTOR REPAIR &amp; SERVICE</b> Winner <b>Gulfcoast Marine</b> 352-628-5885	<b>FLORIST</b> Winner <b>Waverly Florist</b> 352-795-1424	<b>GLASS REPAIR</b> Winner <b>K &amp; K Glass</b> www.kkglass.com	<b>INVESTMENT FIRM</b> Winner <b>Raymond James</b> www.RaymondJames.com/CR1	<b>MEDICAL SUPPLIES/EQUIPMENT</b> Honorable Mention <b>B &amp; W Rexall Drugs</b> 352-726-1021	<b>REALTOR</b> Winner <b>John Maisel Exit Realty</b> 352-795-2691	<b>WINDOW TREATMENTS</b> Honorable Mention <b>72 Hour Blind Factory</b> 352-527-0012				

## Vendors sought for vets' reunion

### Event slated for October

Special to the Chronicle

Nature Coast All Veterans Reunion needs vendors and sponsors for the weekend of Friday, Oct. 7, to Sunday, Oct. 9. Food, crafts, merchandise and others. Sites start at \$175 for a 10-foot by 10-foot space, which includes a refundable \$50 cleanup fee. Larger sites available. Deadline is Aug. 31.

The regional event and parking are free. American Legion Post 225 is the host and displays include the Vietnam Traveling Memorial Wall, Florida Purple Heart Memorial, Korean War Memorial, the Moving Tribute to 9/11 and bands.

The memorials will be open Oct. 2 to 9 at the Civil War Reenactment site on U.S. 19, seven miles north of Crystal River.

For more information and applications, visit [www.NatureCoastVeteransReunion.org](http://www.NatureCoastVeteransReunion.org) or call Richard Hunt at (407) 579-6190, Tom Gallagher at (352) 860-1629, or Lee Helscel at (352) 238-5692.

## News NOTE

### Catholic Women slate Bunco Bash

St. Scholastica Council of Catholic Women will host a Bunco Bash Saturday, Oct. 22, at the Crystal Oaks Clubhouse. Doors open at 11 a.m.; lunch is served at 11:30 a.m. and the games begin at 12:15 p.m. Donation is \$12. Call (352) 341-3603 or (352) 746-2873 for tickets.

## Pet

### SPOTLIGHT

### Tabitha



Special to the Chronicle

Tabitha was adopted from the Citrus County Animal Shelter in May. She now lives the "good life" with the Sany family in Inverness.

## CERT to learn about new CPR

### New members welcome to join

Special to the Chronicle

The Northwest CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) Quadrant meets the third Wednesday of each month at the Crystal Oaks Community Center.

The board meeting starts at 5:30 p.m. for all officers, followed by the business meeting at 6:30 p.m.

The Aug. 17 meeting will feature a talk by Floyd Mead, education supervisor, Nature Coast EMS. He will offer information on the new procedures of CPR.

All CERT personnel are encouraged to attend. The new procedure CPR instructions will start at 6:30 p.m.

The CERT program edu-

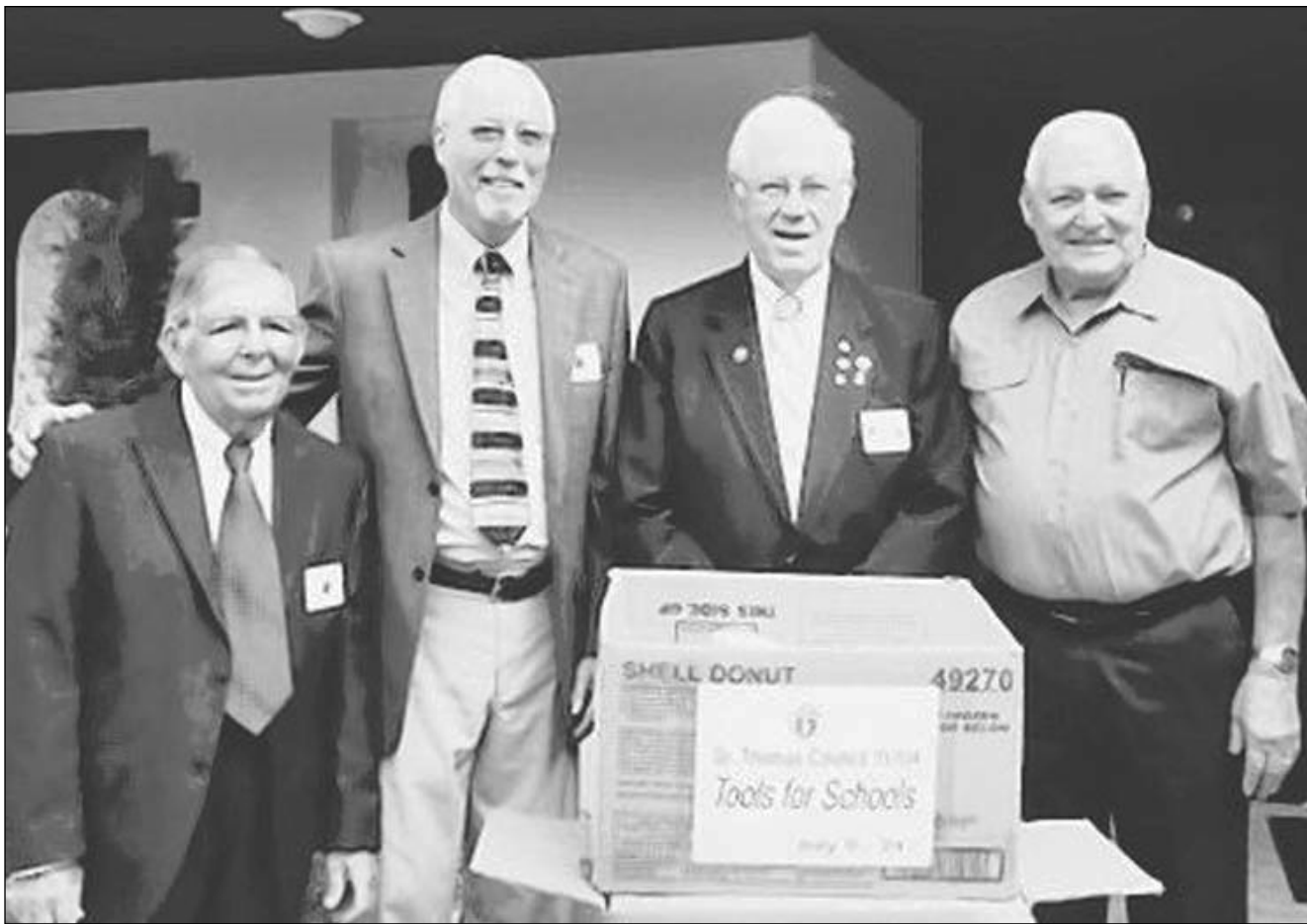
cates people about disaster preparedness for hazards that may impact their area, and trains them in basic disaster response skills, such as fire safety, light search and rescue, team organization and disaster medical operations.

Using the training learned in the classroom and during exercises, CERT members can assist others in their neighborhood or workplace following an

event, when professional responders are not immediately available to help. CERT members also are encouraged to support emergency response agencies by taking a more active role in emergency preparedness projects in their community.

To become a CERT member, call Gerry Brummer, chairman, Citrus County CERT Action Committee, at (352) 382-4446 or visit [www.citruscountycert.org](http://www.citruscountycert.org).

## 'Tools for Schools'



Special to the Chronicle

The Knights of Columbus, St. Thomas Council No. 15154 comes through for the Daystar Life Center with its "Tools for Schools" drive. Daystar has asked the local Catholic churches and the Knights of Columbus for their assistance in collecting the much-needed school supplies for the needy children in the county. The St. Thomas Council collected hundreds of items. Pictured, from left, are: Tom Paganini, advocate; Dan Nichols; John Kolley, grand knight; and Don Kosling, deputy grand knight.

## Family-friendly fun on tap at Art Center

The Art Center encourages a family-friendly environment where families can gather to share the pleasure of acting, singing, dancing, or painting together.

Nothing says family-friendly more than the fact that during the recent production of the musical "Mame," there were four complete family units actively involved in the production, with mothers and fathers sharing the act of creative expression with their children. In addition to these four families, three more families were working backstage to support a family member in the cast, and five couples were involved either on stage, backstage or in the technical booth supporting the production.

In addition to the families involved in the production during the run of the show, drawings produced by young people enrolled in the Art Center's

Academy of the Arts were exhibited in the lobby of the theater.

As we move into the fall, the Art Center will continue with family-oriented activities through the newly formed Art Center Academy of the Arts. This program is an outgrowth of the successful youth program at the Art Center, which for years has produced a youth play at Christmas. Last year, the program was expanded to offer art instruction to young people, and earlier this summer the academy sponsored a two-week theater camp for young people.

This fall, the Art Center Academy will offer instruction in acting, dancing, voice, painting and drawing. All of the classes will be taught by volunteers with academic and professional credentials who want to share their knowledge with young people and their parents.

Registration for these classes begins Aug. 10, and the classes are open to youths and their parents who have an interest in learning more about an art-related topic.

The cost is \$30 for one class, or \$25 per class when a student registers for two or more. The class fees cover the cost of materials and the cost of operating the Art Center, which is a non-profit volunteer organization that receives no government operating funding.

For additional information about the academy classes or other activities, call (352) 746-7606 and begin spending creative and entertaining time with family and friends at the family-friendly Art Center.

Sharon Harris is an artist, former president of the Art Center and currently serves as the director of the Art Center's Academy of the Arts. Call the box office at (352) 746-7606 or visit [www.artcenter.cc](http://www.artcenter.cc).



Sharon Harris  
ART TALK

## Religion NOTES

### Homosassa SDA

Bob Halstead will deliver the sermon, "When the Mirror Doesn't Lie," at the 11 a.m. divine service Saturday.

The Sabbath school program with Norma Brondyke starts at 9:30 a.m. Sabbath school teacher Billy Richards will teach about "Worship and Song and Praise" at 10 a.m. study. Sue Halstead will teach the 10 a.m. adult beginners Bible study class on "The Three Angels' Messages."

Classes are provided for children. Bible study will be at 7 p.m. Tuesday. Men's study group will meet at 6:30 p.m. Thursday. The public is welcome at all programs. For more information, call Bob Halstead at (352) 382-7753.

The church is at 5863 Cardinal St., Homosassa.

### Inverness SDA

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.

Elder John Sabo brings the worship message at 11 a.m.

Vespers at 7:30 p.m. in Mitchell Hall. 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 Gardens, 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 Marks 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.adventhopechurch.com](http://www.adventhopechurch.com).

### Beth Sholom

Two thought-provoking mini-courses begin Monday, Aug. 15. Classes meet for three weeks on Aug. 15, 22 and 29.

"When Bad Things Happen to Good People," from 7 to 8 p.m., will discuss the purpose of life, faith, good and evil.

Students will see how the anger and pain of personal tragedy can lead us to fearlessly question the ways we comfort each other and to

question God himself.

"Miracle in the Middle East: The Israeli Economy" will be from 8:15 to 9:15 p.m. How did a tiny, backwater province of the Ottoman Empire 100 years ago turn into one of the most dynamic and robust economies today?

This course will examine the story of Israel's economic miracle and show how Israel's policies on entrepreneurship, immigration, research and development and military service have been key factors in the country's rise.

Each class is \$5 per session plus textbook. To register, contact [mkamlot2@gmail.com](mailto:mkamlot2@gmail.com) or call (352) 643-0995. Presented by the Etz Hayim Institute-Adult Education Program of Congregation Beth Sholom.

The annual Game & Card Party and Luncheon will be at noon Thursday, Aug. 25. Lunch will be followed by popular card and board games.

Donation is \$10. For tickets, call (352) 527-6666 or (352) 637-6370.

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.

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

## News NOTES

### Team to support co-worker at run

A staff member of the Suncoast Dermatology was recently diagnosed with ovarian cancer. To help show their support and raise awareness, a team of current and former employees, friends and family will be racing/walking at the Ovarian Cancer Run at Black Diamond on Aug. 13.

Ovarian cancer is diagnosed in 21,000 women each year and approximately 15,000 die of the disease. Despite the 30-year battle with the disease, there have been no advances in testing for ovarian cancer.

Symptoms include bloating, pelvic or abdominal pain, urinary urgency or frequency, and difficulty eating or feeling full quickly.

The public is invited to participate in the event. Call (352) 746-2200.

### Center to host luau dance

The public is invited to come learn a little hula dance and enjoy pineapple and coconut treats at a dance from 1:30 to 4 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 10, at Central Citrus Community Center, 2804 W. Marc Knighton Court, Lecanto.

The dance will be hosted by D.J. Sapphire. Cost is \$5 per person and a portion of the proceeds will benefit Citrus County In Home Services. For more information, call (352) 527-5993.

### Bank collects school supplies

Superior Bank will collect school supplies for Homosassa Elementary School through Aug. 15 at the Homosassa branch at 4556 S. Suncoast Blvd.

The public is invited to donate supplies, then drop by the branch from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday, Aug. 19, and enjoy free refreshments.

For more information, call (352) 628-0009.

### Genealogy group to convene Aug. 9

Citrus County Genealogical Society will meet at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 9, at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 3474 W. Southern St., Lecanto.

Mary Ann Machonkin, president of the society, will demonstrate how to use the updated Family Search website at [www.familysearch.org/](http://www.familysearch.org/). She will show examples of the many types of records found on this website and give tips on searching techniques. The website is free and has vital records from almost all states, as well as census records from the U.S., Canada and England.

There are also many foreign records in their database. Guests are welcome. Call Mary Ann Machonkin at (352) 382-5515.

■ 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 AUGUST 5, 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 descriptions.

PHILLIP ALDER Newspaper Enterprise Assn.

A.N. Other's latest drop of wisdom is, "One of the weaknesses of our age is our apparent inability to distinguish our need from our greed." At the bridge table, we know our need: the number of tricks required to make or break the contract. But sometimes greed, especially the desire for overtricks, causes us to lose sight of our need. This deal catches out the greedy. South is in three no-trump. West leads the heart six. What should declarer do? With a singleton, North wondered if four spades or five diamonds would be better than three no-trump. However, when South denied a four-card major, North sensibly settled for three no-trump. It is usually easier to win nine

Bridge section including a hand diagram with North, South, East, and West cards, and a text explanation of the deal and strategy.

South starts with only four top tricks: three spades and one heart. There are other winners available: a second in hearts, four in diamonds and one in clubs. Matters do not look so testing, and since West has apparently led from the heart king, there is a natural reaction to play low from the dummy at trick one. However, if East is psychic, that is fatal. He wins with his king and shifts to the club jack. Suddenly South loses one heart, one diamond and three clubs to go down one. Instead, suppose declarer wins with dummy's heart ace and plays on diamonds. That would get him up to eight winners, and he must collect a ninth in either hearts or clubs. Also, for experts, an overtrick can be found by squeezing East in the majors.

JUMBLE word game section featuring a cartoon of an explorer, a grid of letters, and a scrambled word puzzle with instructions.

- ACROSS: 1 Knows somehow, 6 Hospital divisions, 11 Hanging on the line, 13 "Gesund-heit" precursor, 14 Wrestling venues, 15 Citrus fruits, 16 Play about Capote, 17 "Gidget" actress, 18 Radio personalities, 21 Malicious gossip, 23 Drink like Rover, 26 Nibble on, 27 Pack --, 28 Source of inspiration, 29 Not in favor of, 31 Small lizard.

Answer to Previous Puzzle crossword grid with filled-in words and clues.

Dear Annie: I have been married to "John" for six years. We both have children from our first marriages. John's oldest son is now 14 and still wets the bed. I suggested not allowing the boy to drink anything after 7 p.m. and always making sure he uses the bathroom before bed. My husband did not follow through on either of those. My stepson had been using children's diapers, but now that he needs an adult size, he refuses to wear them. Both of the boy's parents have ignored the problem. Six months ago, I took my stepson to the doctor, because I'm tired of washing two loads of sheets every day. The doctor prescribed medication, but my husband's ex-wife refuses to believe he needs it. So her son doesn't take the pills when he's at her house. My stepson is embarrassed about the bedwetting, so I don't understand why he refuses to wear the adult diapers and "forgets" to take his medication. He sometimes won't even make an effort to use the bathroom before he goes to sleep. A few nights ago, he came out of his room at 10 p.m. to get a drink of water. My husband saw him and did nothing. In the meantime, I get stuck with the laundry. The most frustrating thing is my husband's attitude. I don't get it. What else can I do? -- Tired of Wet Beds

Dear Annie: I have been married to "John" for six years. We both have children from our first marriages. John's oldest son is now 14 and still wets the bed. I suggested not allowing the boy to drink anything after 7 p.m. and always making sure he uses the bathroom before bed. My husband did not follow through on either of those. My stepson had been using children's diapers, but now that he needs an adult size, he refuses to wear them. Both of the boy's parents have ignored the problem. Six months ago, I took my stepson to the doctor, because I'm tired of washing two loads of sheets every day. The doctor prescribed medication, but my husband's ex-wife refuses to believe he needs it. So her son doesn't take the pills when he's at her house. My stepson is embarrassed about the bedwetting, so I don't understand why he refuses to wear the adult diapers and "forgets" to take his medication. He sometimes won't even make an effort to use the bathroom before he goes to sleep. A few nights ago, he came out of his room at 10 p.m. to get a drink of water. My husband saw him and did nothing. In the meantime, I get stuck with the laundry. The most frustrating thing is my husband's attitude. I don't get it. What else can I do? -- Tired of Wet Beds

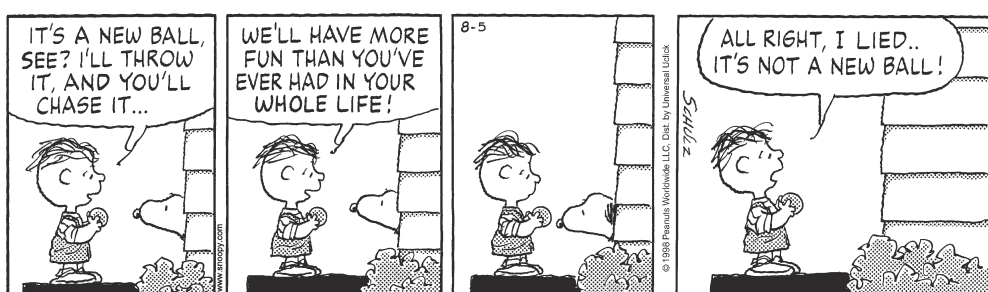
Want more puzzles? Check out the "Just Right Crossword Puzzles" books at QuillDriverBooks.com. Includes a crossword grid.

- DOWN: 1 Rx monitor, 2 Slip up, 3 Peacock spot, 4 Clump of fluff, 5 Growling, 6 Potter's device, 7 Highest point, 8 Frat letter, 9 "The Sopranos", 10 Brillo rival, 12 NASA outfits (hyph.), 13 Priscilla's suitor, 18 Shortage, 19 Spotted cat, 20 Gravy spots, 22 Once - twice shy, 23 Plexiglas, 24 Question poppers, 25 "Will it play in -?", 28 Sea, to Cousteau, 30 Pen contents, 31 Selfish, 32 Heir's legacy, 33 Strength, 34 Baby grand, 35 1960's dance, 36 Vamp Theda - Marvy, 37 Left Bank pal, 38 Prez after Jimmy, 48 Crater edge, 49 Stretchy bandage, 50 Instant lawn.

Dear Annie: I have been married to "John" for six years. We both have children from our first marriages. John's oldest son is now 14 and still wets the bed. I suggested not allowing the boy to drink anything after 7 p.m. and always making sure he uses the bathroom before bed. My husband did not follow through on either of those. My stepson had been using children's diapers, but now that he needs an adult size, he refuses to wear them. Both of the boy's parents have ignored the problem. Six months ago, I took my stepson to the doctor, because I'm tired of washing two loads of sheets every day. The doctor prescribed medication, but my husband's ex-wife refuses to believe he needs it. So her son doesn't take the pills when he's at her house. My stepson is embarrassed about the bedwetting, so I don't understand why he refuses to wear the adult diapers and "forgets" to take his medication. He sometimes won't even make an effort to use the bathroom before he goes to sleep. A few nights ago, he came out of his room at 10 p.m. to get a drink of water. My husband saw him and did nothing. In the meantime, I get stuck with the laundry. The most frustrating thing is my husband's attitude. I don't get it. What else can I do? -- Tired of Wet Beds

Dear Annie: I have been married to "John" for six years. We both have children from our first marriages. John's oldest son is now 14 and still wets the bed. I suggested not allowing the boy to drink anything after 7 p.m. and always making sure he uses the bathroom before bed. My husband did not follow through on either of those. My stepson had been using children's diapers, but now that he needs an adult size, he refuses to wear them. Both of the boy's parents have ignored the problem. Six months ago, I took my stepson to the doctor, because I'm tired of washing two loads of sheets every day. The doctor prescribed medication, but my husband's ex-wife refuses to believe he needs it. So her son doesn't take the pills when he's at her house. My stepson is embarrassed about the bedwetting, so I don't understand why he refuses to wear the adult diapers and "forgets" to take his medication. He sometimes won't even make an effort to use the bathroom before he goes to sleep. A few nights ago, he came out of his room at 10 p.m. to get a drink of water. My husband saw him and did nothing. In the meantime, I get stuck with the laundry. The most frustrating thing is my husband's attitude. I don't get it. What else can I do? -- Tired of Wet Beds

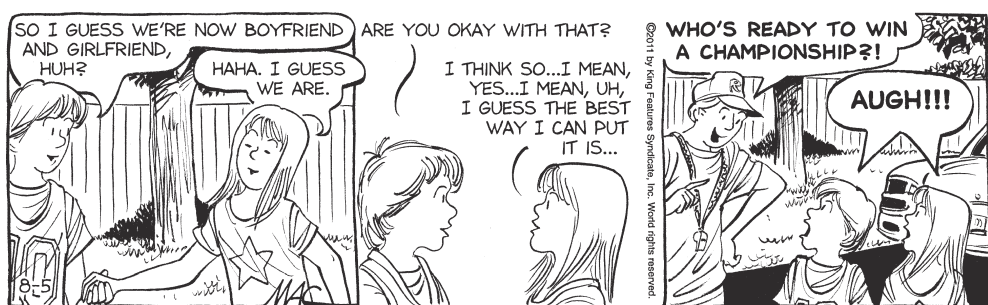
Peanuts



Pickles



Sally Forth



Dilbert



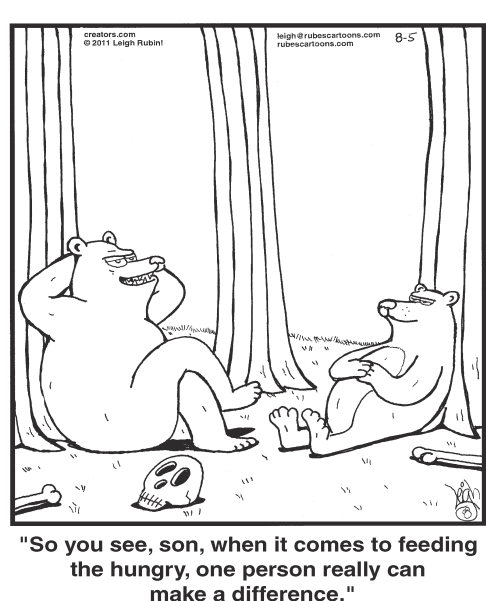
The Born Loser



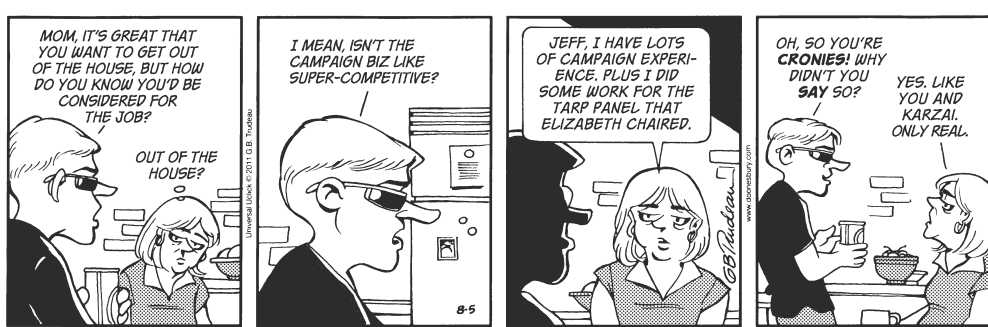
Kit 'N' Carlyle



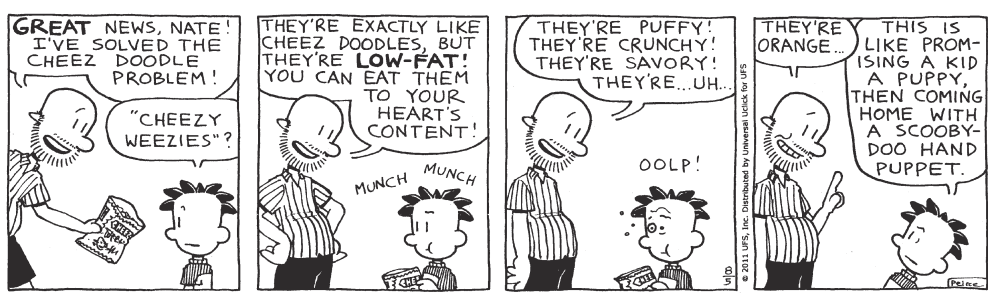
Rubes



Doonesbury



Big Nate



Arlo and Janis



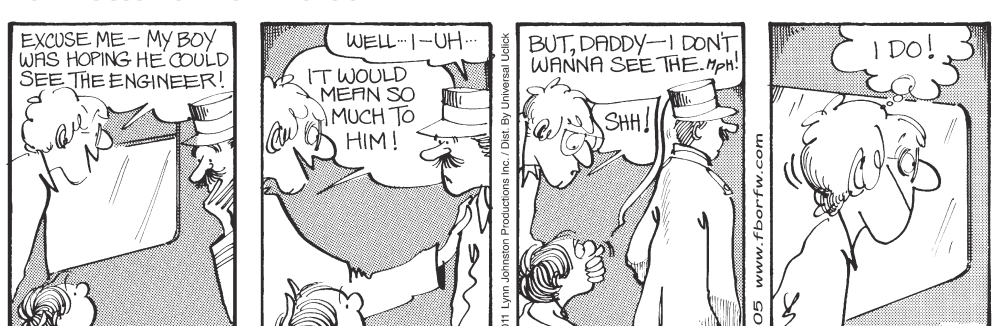
Today's MOVIES

Citrus Cinemas 6 - Inverness; 637-3377
'Rise of the Planet of the Apes' (PG-13) 1:30 p.m., 4:30 p.m., 7:40 p.m., 10:20 p.m. No passes.
'The Smurfs' (PG) In Real 3D. 4:40 p.m., 9:45 p.m. No passes.
'The Smurfs' (PG) 1:40 p.m., 7:05 p.m.
'Crazy, Stupid, Love' (PG-13) 1:10 p.m., 4:10 p.m., 7:30 p.m., 10:10 p.m.
'Cowboys and Aliens' (PG-13) 1:20 p.m., 4:20 p.m., 7:20 p.m., 10:15 p.m. No passes.
'Captain America' (PG-13) 3:50 p.m., 10:05 p.m.
'Captain America' (PG-13) In Real 3D. 1 p.m., 7:10 p.m. No passes.
'Harry Potter' (PG-13) 12:50 p.m., 7 p.m.
'Harry Potter' (PG-13) In Real 3D. 4 p.m., 9:50 p.m. No passes.
Crystal River Mall 9; 564-6864
'The Change-up' (R) ID required. 1:20 p.m., 4:20 p.m., 7:20 p.m., 10 p.m.
'Rise of the Planet of the Apes' (PG-13) 1:40 p.m., 4:40 p.m., 7:40 p.m., 10:10 p.m. No passes.
'The Smurfs' (PG) 1:25 p.m., 7 p.m.
'The Smurfs' (PG) In Real 3D. 4:05 p.m., 9:45 p.m. No passes.
'Crazy, Stupid, Love' (PG-13) 1 p.m., 4 p.m., 7:15 p.m., 9:55 p.m.
'Cowboys and Aliens' (PG-13) 1:35 p.m., 4:30 p.m., 7:45 p.m., 10:30 p.m. No passes.
'Captain America' (PG-13) 4:50 p.m., 10:35 p.m.
'Captain America' (PG-13) In Real 3D. 1:50 p.m., 7:50 p.m. No passes.
'Friends with Benefits' (R) ID required. 5 p.m., 10:20 p.m.
'Harry Potter' (PG-13) 4:15 p.m., 10:15 p.m.
'Harry Potter' (PG-13) In Real 3D. 1:15 p.m., 7:10 p.m. No passes.
'Horrible Bosses' (R) ID required. 2 p.m., 8 p.m.
'Transformers 3' (PG-13) 1:05 p.m., 7:35 p.m.
'Transformers: Dark of the Moon' (PG-13) In Real 3D. 4:25 p.m., 10:40 p.m. No passes.
Times subject to change; call ahead.

Garfield



For Better or For Worse



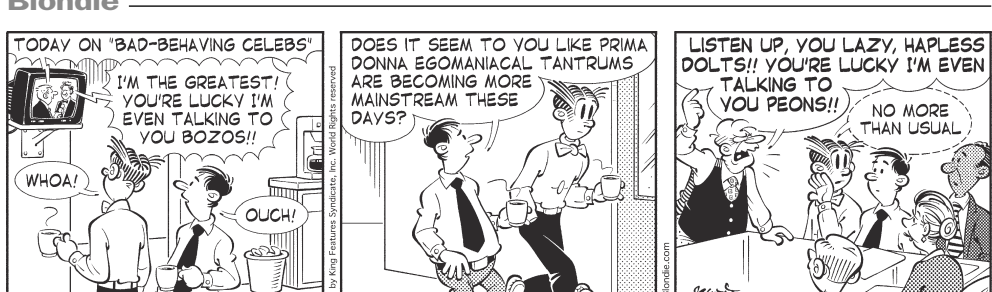
Beetle Bailey



The Grizzwells



Blondie



Dennis the Menace



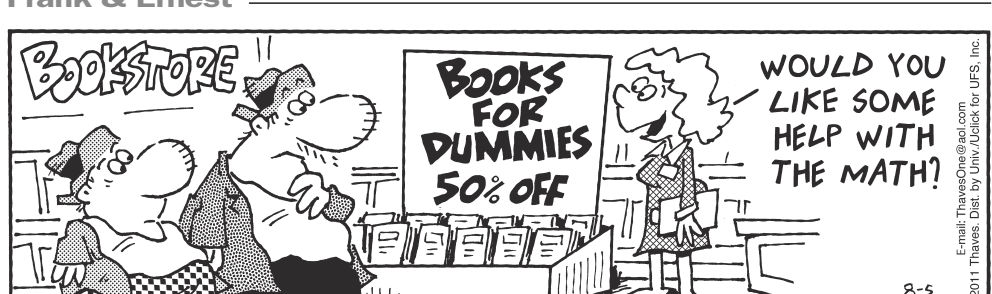
The Family Circus



Betty



Frank & Ernest



Local RADIO
WJUF-FM 90.1 National Public
WJUF-FM 90.1 Religious
WJUF-FM 90.1 Adult Contemp.
WJUF-FM 90.1 Adult Mix
WJUF-FM 90.1 Religious
WFL-FM 104.3 Adult Mix
WJUF-FM 105.5 FM Hudson
WJUF-FM 106.3 Oldies
WJUF-FM 103.3 '50s, '60s, '70s
WRZN-AM 720 Adult Standards

CELEBRITY CIPHER by Luis Campos
Celebrity Cipher cryptograms are created from quotations by famous people, past and present. Each letter in the cipher stands for another.
TODAY'S CLUE: L equals N
'NHET FT WJBVZTFR... NHET FT XAT
FBRX DVRXJYRT UJMWXBNJDF ...
HUJDET SBJ FTLXDZ TCDZDXHBL.' -
DJXAYJ U. GBMZT
PREVIOUS SOLUTION: "People need motivation to do anything. I don't think human beings learn anything without desperation." - Jim Carrey
Copyright 2011 by NEA, Dist. by Universal Uclick









**Rent: Houses Unfurnished**  
**BEVERLY HILLS**  
 2/1/1 Fl. Rm, CHA, Shed, \$550. mo 352-795-9060  
**BEVERLY HILLS**  
 2/1/1 NEWLY PAINTED \$600 MO. 634-2550  
**BEVERLY HILLS**  
 38 S. Jeffery, nice 2/1 fam rm \$550.+ 628-0033  
**BEVERLY HILLS**  
 Lg 2/2/2, CH/A, FL Rm, frnd yrd, W/D; No Pets. \$625/mo. 352-726-2280

**CITRUS SPRINGS**  
 3/2/2 \$850 (352) 400-0230

**CITRUS SPRINGS**  
 Newer duplex. 3/2/1 w/newer appliances. \$800 mo. lease/dep. No pets. (352) 697-3133

**CRYSTAL RIVER**  
 3/2 Clean. \$750/mo 795-6299 364-2073

**FLORAL CITY**  
 3BR, 2BA, 1 acre, detached garage, cul-de-sac, quiet neighborhood, \$850 1st, last, sec. (352) 238-2739

**HOMOSSASSA**  
 2/2 Great Fishing Area \$1,500/mo 443-619-6283

**HOMOSSASSA**  
 NON-SMOKING \$750 3 bdrm, 2 bath Sugarmill small dog ok 352-503-3776

**Inv/Highlands**  
 Updated 3 or 4 BR 2 Ba. \$825 352-228-1542

**INVERNESS**  
 2/1/1 \$675mo. 1st/security (352) 746-9436

**INVERNESS HIGHLANDS**  
 3/2/2 starting @ \$750. 3/2/2 Home for Sale 1 acre \$175,000 352-341-0220 www.relaxfl.com

**SUBSIDIZED RENTALS IN Lecanto** 3 bedrm Starting At \$582/mo.

**Rent: Houses Unfurnished**  
**KEATING PARK, Ft City**  
 2/1 on 1.5 acres new paint & carpet w/lake privileges \$800 1st Last & sec(352) 344-0505

**RENT TO OWN!!**  
 3 bdrs.. No credit check. 352-464-6020 JADEMISSION.COM

**SUGARMILL WOODS**  
 3/2/2 Quiet, rent or rent to own. \$850/mo. 352-382-2904

**Rent or Sale**  
**CRYSTAL RIVER**  
 for sale/lease purchase 3/2, fenced yd. water access, huge lanai remodeled, \$900. mo 404-867-1501, Local

**Rooms For Rent**  
**CRYSTAL RIVER**  
 \$250 per wk w/ dinner (352) 795-0640

**CRYSTAL RIVER**  
 Clean House, cable w/d, \$115 w/ky \$430/mo. No hidden cost. 563-6428

**INVERNESS**  
 Professional to share comfortable Home \$110 wk. 561-385-0981

**Seasonal Rental**  
**C.R./Homosassa**  
 1 & 2 Br. fum, quiet park Util. incl. clean, shrt/long term 352 220-2077

**C.R./Homosassa**  
 1 & 2 Br. fum, quiet park Util. incl. clean, shrt/long term 352 220-2077


**Real Estate For Sale**  
**FARMS, LAND AND SMALL TOWN COUNTRY LIFESTYLE**



**GREAT DEALS**


www.crosslandreality.com (352) 726-6644 Crossland Realty Inc.

**Real Estate For Sale**  
**PUBLISHER'S NOTICE:**  
 All real estate advertising in this newspaper is subject to Fair Housing Act which makes it illegal to advertise "any preference, limitation or discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status or national origin, or an intention, to make such preference, limitation or discrimination." Familial status includes children under the age of 18 living with parents or legal custodians, pregnant women and people securing custody of children under 18. This newspaper will not knowingly accept any advertising for real estate which is in violation of the law. Our readers are hereby informed that all dwellings advertised in this newspaper are available on an equal opportunity basis. To complain of discrimination call HUD toll-free at 1-800-669-9777. The toll-free telephone number for the hearing impaired is 1-800-927-9275.



**S. Floral City**  
 40 acres for sale in South Floral City. Hilly, with well and electric. Coded gate entrance. Phone 352-302-1940

**Specializing in Acreage Farms/Ranches & Commercial**



**Richard (Rick) Couch, Broker Couch Realty & Investments, Inc. (352) 344-8018 RCOUCH.com**

**Investment Properties**  
**SOLD INVERNESS SACRIFICE** 6 Rentals 2 Locations some remodeled. AS IS SALE any reasonable offer excepted. Great Opportunity !!!

**Pine Ridge**  
 Lot For Sale Pine Ridge sub. 3620 N. Stirrup Dr., 2.78 ac, horse trail on back side, wooded, for sale by owner. Google it! \$59,900. Won't last long. bill@agairupdate.com 478.957.0211

**Black Diamond**  
**OWNER FINANCING**  
 Fabulous 3/2 Like new. SS appliances, custom flooring, 2 car garage + golf cart/2 lanai's Price to sell. \$195K. (352) 527-3501

**Beverly Hills Homes**  
**RENT TO OWN!!**  
 3 bdrs., No credit check. 352-464-6020 JADEMISSION.COM

**Sold**  
 1 Possible 2 BR, 1 Bath, Carport, Quiet Cul-de-sac \$25,500.

**Inverness Homes**  
**Look**  
 2 homes.. 3/2/2. 1 pool + 1 acre. 1 lake view, Rent or Sale \$700. (908) 322-6529

**FSBO Reduced**  
 Pool home, 3/3/2, over 2000 sq.ft. living, newly remodeled, plus 24x16 workshop, see at 518 Poinsettia or on web www.InvernessPool Home.FSBOneusa.com 352-860-0878.

**Crystal River Homes**  
**\$ PRICED TO SELL**  
**3/2 2200 sq ft.**  
 33' htd inground pool w/sum kit. near schools, hospital \$150K. 1350 NE 7th av 352-564-0001 day 352-794-6504 night

**GREAT LOCATION**  
 3/2/2 Water access. Updated roof/ac/appliances. Corner lot w/beautiful adjacent lot. \$115K 352-422-2970

**Homosassa Springs Homes**  
 4/2 Fleetwood Mobile, 1/2 acre, next to State Land w/ pond, beautiful, clean, Must Sell REDUCED \$50,000. (305) 619-0282

**Sugarmill Woods**  
**For Sale**

**2/2, Cul-de-sac,**  
 recent a/c & heat pump, ext. paint & roof. Fam rm. w/frpl. 2000+sf living + encl. fla. rm. \$101,500. By appt. (352) 382-7086 19 Jungleplum Ct. E.

**Buying or Selling REAL ESTATE,**  
 Let Me Work For You!

**BETTY HUNT, REALTOR ERA KEY 1 Realty, Inc. 352 586-0139 hunt4houses68@yahoo.com**

**Citrus County Homes**  
**"I'VE MOVED!"**  
 CALL ME Seller Homes are Selling



**Deborah Infantine**  
**ERA AMERICAN REALTY 352-302-8046**

**AURORA ACRES**  
**RV camp ground**  
 11240 N. Northwood Dr. Inglis, FL 34449 352-447-2759 auroraacresfl.com

**PERMANENT RV SPECIAL**  
 1st month FREE \$198. month Offer Includes: Lot, Water, Sewer, Trash, WIFI, Pool & Clubhouse


**MOBILE HOMES Also Available**



**NEW HOMES**  
 Starting at \$71,500. on your property!!!

**Atkinson Construction 352-637-4138 Lic.# CBCO59685**

**MOBILE HOMES**  
 Also Available



\$395 Dep./1 Yr Lease Background Check Electric Not Included

**twitter**  
 Follow the CHRONICLE online  
 www.twitter.com/citruschronicle

**Citrus County Homes**  
**Best Time to Buy**  
 also have lease options & owner financing available.  
**Phyllis Strickland (352) 613-3503 Kellers Williams Rty**



**Michele Rose, Realtor**  
 Simply put I'll work harder 352-212-5097 isellcitruscounty@yahoo.com

**Craven Realty, Inc. 352-726-1515**



**NEW HOMES**  
 Starting at \$71,500. on your property!!!

**Atkinson Construction 352-637-4138 Lic.# CBCO59685**

**Whether you are buying or selling your home, you need a Realtor you can rely on. Call Bonita Amonte, Realtor Cell (386)562-6665 amonte08@gmail.com**

**Call Lisa for details 352-634-0129 Plantation Realty plantationrealtysls.com**

**Lisa VanDeboe Broker (R) Owner**



**Golf Course Real Estate**  
 Golf Course Lot w/City Utilities, View of the Green, Pond, & a fountain, \$45,000 will consider a classic or muscle car, towards the purchase price. Call (352) 746-3507

**Waterfront Homes**  
**For Sale**  
 7075 W Riverbend Rd 3/2, propane generator, A Screened pool/hot tub area separates house and large guesthouse on Withlacoochee River at Lake Rousseau. Fenced 0.56 acre lot. Boat dock, fire place, LAN, unattached 50 X 30 garage with attic storage. Full deck on water side with wet covered tiki bar and covered firewood storage. All sinks have RO filters. Spiral staircase to loft studio/BR with N, S & W natural light, large unattached storage shed. Mature oaks and young fruit trees. All appliances and whatever else buyer wants. Extra washer/dryer in garage. Priced 10K below recent appraisal at 250K for quick sale. Will be 270K plus when agent contract is signed in thirty days. Contact Charlie Callahan. (352) 509-7206, (352)228-1847, Email: tontok@tampabay.rr.com


**STEAL ME!! \$12K,**  
 1/2 acre **Combridge Greens of Citrus Hills High & Dry, Deed restricted, nice homes 1641 E. St.James Loop (352) 637-7947**

**Lots For Sale**  
 Beautiful 1/2 Acre Wooded Lot Next to Large Open Space \$10,000 owner finance. (352) 621-1664

**CITRUS COUNTY SEVERAL AVAILABLE LOTS IN SUGARMILL WOODS AND OTHER AREAS OF CITRUS COUNTY. CHECK WEBSITE AT:WWW.LOTSOFLAND.USAPROPERTYWHOLESALE.COM 813-267-5447 TERRY OR 352-475-1923 WES. OWNER FINANCING AVAILABLE**

**Inverness Beautiful 1/2 Acre Wooded Lot Next to Large Open Space \$10,000 owner finance. (352) 621-1664**

**Waterfront Homes**  
**HOMES ARE MY PASSION**



**Gitta Barth/Realtor**  
**Certified International Property Specialist (352) 220-0466 Coldwell Banker Investors Realty, Inc**

**Citrus County Land**  
**INVERNESS VILLAGE**  
 Corner Lots # 39/106 & #40/112 S. Crestview Ave. both .324/acre \$30,000 each. (919) 329-7033

**For Sale**  
**STEAL ME!! \$12K,**  
 1/2 acre **Combridge Greens of Citrus Hills High & Dry, Deed restricted, nice homes 1641 E. St.James Loop (352) 637-7947**

**Lots For Sale**  
 Beautiful 1/2 Acre Wooded Lot Next to Large Open Space \$10,000 owner finance. (352) 621-1664

**CITRUS COUNTY SEVERAL AVAILABLE LOTS IN SUGARMILL WOODS AND OTHER AREAS OF CITRUS COUNTY. CHECK WEBSITE AT:WWW.LOTSOFLAND.USAPROPERTYWHOLESALE.COM 813-267-5447 TERRY OR 352-475-1923 WES. OWNER FINANCING AVAILABLE**

**Inverness Beautiful 1/2 Acre Wooded Lot Next to Large Open Space \$10,000 owner finance. (352) 621-1664**



# Looking for the local news that affects your life?

The Chronicle has everything you need including the area's most comprehensive local, state and national news, sports, and entertainment seven days a week.

Weekly features include:

- Tuesday:** Health & Life
- Wednesday:** Education
- Thursday:** Flair for Food
- Friday:** Scene
- Saturday:** Religion
- Sunday:** Homefront, Commentary, Viewfinder, Dollar Saver

When it comes to providing news and information for the people of Citrus County and surrounding areas we've "Gotcha Covered!"







www.CrystalAutos.com

Crystal Automotive Has Preowned Vehicles For

UNDER LESS THAN \$10,000 \$175 Per Month

**'07 COBALT**



FREE 24 HR RECORDED MESSAGE WITH INFO AND SPECIAL PRICING  
1-800-584-8755 Ext.11195

**\$5,999** <sup>^</sup> **\$99** <sup>^</sup> PER MO.  
OR

**'07 HHR**



FREE 24 HR RECORDED MESSAGE WITH INFO AND SPECIAL PRICING  
1-800-584-8755 Ext.16874

**\$6,999** <sup>^</sup> **\$116** <sup>^</sup> PER MO.  
OR

**'06 SILVERADO**



FREE 24 HR RECORDED MESSAGE WITH INFO AND SPECIAL PRICING  
1-800-584-8755 Ext.11131

**\$6,999** <sup>^</sup> **\$116** <sup>^</sup> PER MO.  
OR

**'07 RAM**



FREE 24 HR RECORDED MESSAGE WITH INFO AND SPECIAL PRICING  
1-800-584-8755 Ext.16803

**\$7,999** <sup>^</sup> **\$132** <sup>^</sup> PER MO.  
OR

**'07 RAIDER**



FREE 24 HR RECORDED MESSAGE WITH INFO AND SPECIAL PRICING  
1-800-584-8755 Ext.11063

**\$8,999** <sup>^</sup> **\$149** <sup>^</sup> PER MO.  
OR

**'07 IMPALA**



FREE 24 HR RECORDED MESSAGE WITH INFO AND SPECIAL PRICING  
1-800-584-8755 Ext.16885

**\$8,999** <sup>^</sup> **\$149** <sup>^</sup> PER MO.  
OR

**'07 SONATA**



FREE 24 HR RECORDED MESSAGE WITH INFO AND SPECIAL PRICING  
1-800-584-8755 Ext.11249

**\$8,999** <sup>^</sup> **\$149** <sup>^</sup> PER MO.  
OR

**'06 ALTIMA**



FREE 24 HR RECORDED MESSAGE WITH INFO AND SPECIAL PRICING  
1-800-584-8755 Ext.11297

**\$8,999** <sup>^</sup> **\$149** <sup>^</sup> PER MO.  
OR

**'09 JOURNEY**



FREE 24 HR RECORDED MESSAGE WITH INFO AND SPECIAL PRICING  
1-800-584-8755 Ext.11351

**\$8,999** <sup>^</sup> **\$149** <sup>^</sup> PER MO.  
OR

**'09 HHR**



FREE 24 HR RECORDED MESSAGE WITH INFO AND SPECIAL PRICING  
1-800-584-8755 Ext.11218

**\$8,999** <sup>^</sup> **\$149** <sup>^</sup> PER MO.  
OR

**'06 LIBERTY**



FREE 24 HR RECORDED MESSAGE WITH INFO AND SPECIAL PRICING  
1-800-584-8755 Ext.16900

**\$9,999** <sup>^</sup> **\$166** <sup>^</sup> PER MO.  
OR

**'08 ALTIMA**



FREE 24 HR RECORDED MESSAGE WITH INFO AND SPECIAL PRICING  
1-800-584-8755 Ext.11157

**\$9,999** <sup>^</sup> **\$166** <sup>^</sup> PER MO.  
OR

**'08 FOCUS**



FREE 24 HR RECORDED MESSAGE WITH INFO AND SPECIAL PRICING  
1-800-584-8755 Ext.11258

**\$9,999** <sup>^</sup> **\$166** <sup>^</sup> PER MO.  
OR

**'09 PT CRUISER**



FREE 24 HR RECORDED MESSAGE WITH INFO AND SPECIAL PRICING  
1-800-584-8755 Ext.16778

**\$9,999** <sup>^</sup> **\$166** <sup>^</sup> PER MO.  
OR

**'07 WRANGLER**



FREE 24 HR RECORDED MESSAGE WITH INFO AND SPECIAL PRICING  
1-800-584-8755 Ext.10307

**\$9,999** <sup>^</sup> **\$166** <sup>^</sup> PER MO.  
OR

FIND OUT THE VALUE OF YOUR TRADE! NO MATTER WHERE YOU PLAN TO BUY! CALL THE INSTANT APPRAISAL LINE: 800-440-9054



CRYSTAL AUTOMOTIVE

1035 S. Suncoast Blvd Homosassa, FL 1005 S. Suncoast Blvd Homosassa, FL 2077 Highway 44W Inverness, FL 14358 Cortez Blvd., Brooksville, FL 937 S. Suncoast Blvd Homosassa, FL

CRYSTALAUTOS.COM 352-564-1971

\*PRICES AND PAYMENTS EXCLUDE TAX, TAG, TITLE AND DEALER FEE \$599.50. PRICE INCLUDES \$2999 DOWN CASH OR TRADE EQUITY WITH APPROVED CREDIT. PAYMENTS ARE 72 MOS AT 5.99%APR WITH APPROVED CREDIT PICTURES ARE FOR ILLUSTRATION PURPOSES ONLY. PRIOR SALES MAY RESTRICT STOCK.



0008XTC