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NEWS BRIEFS

Siblings found dead

HOMOSASSA — The bodies of an elderly brother and sister were found by Citrus County Sheriff's Office deputies Tuesday afternoon.

Edward Czechowski, 88, and his sister Irene, 86, were found around 1:30 p.m. in their home at 62 W. Byrsonima Loop after repeated telephone calls went unanswered. The siblings were last seen by neighbors Sunday evening when they made a trip to the store in their vehicle.

According to Gail Tierney, sheriff's office spokeswoman, the deaths do not appear to be suspicious and there was no evidence of foul play.

The bodies will be taken to the medical examiner's office in Leesburg for autopsy and a preliminary report is expected later this week.

— by staff writer A.B. Sidibe

Burglaries prompt alert

A rash of forced-entry burglaries in Citrus Hills prompted the Citrus County Sheriff's Office to send out a Code RED alert to residents in the area Monday afternoon. Code RED is a telephone-based communication tool used by law enforcement to provide urgent information to a specific area.

"We have had about seven burglaries since Sept 12, 2011, in the Citrus Hills area," Sheriff's spokeswoman Heather Yates said Tuesday. "All of these break-ins are being committed during daytime and they are all forced entry."

"It appears the targeted items are jewelry and cash," she said. "The other thing, though, is that the homes are being ransacked. We put the Code RED out yesterday because we want people to report any suspicious activity. If they see anything suspicious, we want them to call 911."

Yates said the sheriff's office reminds residents to be cautious of people they hire who are selling services and make sure they are licensed.

Anyone with information about the identity of a suspect in the crimes may provide information anonymously by contacting Crimestoppers at (888) ANY-TIPS or go to www.crimestop.perscitrus.com.

— by staff writer Matthew Beck

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Low-hassle airport security?

Associated Press

ATLANTA — A small group of frequent fliers began using lower-hassle security lines Tuesday in exchange for sharing more personal information with the government in a trial program at four U.S. airports.

The "PreCheck" program represents a big attempt by President Barack Obama's administration to move away from a one-size-fits-all security approach and toward a model that tailors passenger checks to what the government knows about them. It is being implemented after a public backlash and protest campaign last year over

sometimes invasive pat-downs for travelers who refused to step inside full-body scanners.

The new program requires a basic trade-off. Passengers allow airlines or other government agencies to share their personal information with the U.S. Transportation Security Administration so they can be pre-screened before arriving at the airport. In return, passengers get a chance — not a guarantee — that they can move through faster lines and avoid removing their shoes, belts or light coats while keeping laptop computers

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Associated Press

A passenger enters a new expedited security line Tuesday at Hartsfield-Jackson International Airport in Atlanta. The TSA unveiled the pilot program to pre-screen a small group of select air travelers who volunteer more personal information about themselves so they can be vetted to get faster screening at airport checkpoints.

Students come to bus driver's defense

MIKE WRIGHT
Staff Writer

CRYSTAL RIVER — A school bus driver suspended for refusing a drug test, saying she had to take her grandson to the dentist, met with Citrus County School District officials Tuesday in a union proceeding aimed at saving her job.

Gayle Bardsley had a grievance hearing with Superintendent of School Sandra "Sam" Himmel, top school district officials and union representatives from Teamsters Local 79.

Himmel said a tentative agreement from both sides was reached; however, she couldn't discuss it until it is finalized.

Bardsley could not be reached for comment.

The school board suspended Bardsley without pay Sept. 13. Her supervisors said she refused to take a mandatory random drug test in August.

Bardsley told school board members that she was available that morning

but said the drug-testing agent hadn't shown up yet. She told her supervisor she had to leave to take her grandson, who is in her legal custody, to a dental appointment that she made five months prior.

Himmel had recommended Bardsley be fired, though the final decision rests with the school board.

The issue struck a nerve with students in Andreas Zybelle's law studies class at Crystal River High School. Students felt so strongly about Bardsley's case that they collectively wrote a letter to the editor expressing their disappointment in the district's decision to discipline the bus driver. Their letter appears on Page A2 of this edition.

"The facts as presented by the *Chronicle* leave us troubled, and of the opinion that this bus driver is being treated without 'fair play and substantial justice,' a basic tenet of due process in the United States," the letter states.

Students said this week in interviews they believed Bardsley did what she could to make herself available for the drug test, including leaving a phone number where she could be reached when the drug technician arrived.

"She was willing to take the test," John Bowling said. "There was nobody there."

Amanda Linkous and Kyle Dunn said Bardsley wasn't dodging her responsibility.

"When a person agrees to come back for the test, they

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Breaking it down



MATTHEW BECK/Chronicle

Crystal River Middle School seventh-grade science students Dalton David and Paige Healy measure and cut pieces of banana that they will utilize in a science experiment.

CRMS students learn science behind decomposition

Editor's note: Throughout the 2011-12 school year, the *Chronicle* staff will follow the progress of several classrooms across the county during its series *School Days*.

MATTHEW BECK
Chronicle

Most often, children in the classroom learn about growth and development. Recently, Sandra Pope's seventh-grade Crystal River Middle School science class students learned how things break down.

"Decomposers are an important element in our world," she told the class. "They help break down things and send energy back through the cycle, through the environment. We know that decomposers are an essential part of our world."

Her students began a simple, effective study to illustrate which decomposers would break down pieces of a banana fastest.

The students used several key ingredients in their experiment.

At the onset of the trial, students were asked to write a hypothesis on which ingredient — also referred to as an independent variable — would cause decomposition fastest.

The students have been studying decomposition by reading a report on the subject in a science magazine. They also had class discussion prior to experimentation.

"This lesson is a combination of teaching how to do an experiment the right way and learning about how living things interact in their

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School Days



Inverness utility rates to go up, but not by much

NANCY KENNEDY
Staff Writer

INVERNESS — Although city of Inverness residents' water and sewer rates won't be going down, proposed rate increases won't be as much as they could be, thanks to a \$4.8 million surplus cash reserve.

At Tuesday's city council meeting, council members discussed a recent utility rate study that found current rates weren't sufficient to cover annual operating expenses and debt reduction.

"We've held the rates for three years plus, and now we're in a situation where, not only our new plants are

kicking in, but inflation," said city manager Frank DiGiovanni. "The cost of doing business has increased."

He added that other areas of Florida have water and sewer rates four or five times that of Inverness.

Prior to Tuesday's council meeting, DiGiovanni told the *Chronicle* that after reviewing the utility rate study, the council was advised that rates would have to jump significantly.

"We looked at, how do we get these rates down? One element was to leverage existing reserves and draw the debt down, to get the principal and interest payment down from \$400,000 a year to \$200,000," he said.

"By doing that it takes the pressure off the amount we would have to raise rates."

He said when rates increase it may mean and extra \$3-\$5 monthly increase, depending on customer usage.

There was no public comment at Tuesday's reading of the ordinance.

In other council business: Once again council members discussed changing the current regulations regarding alcohol sales on Sunday. After nearly an hour of passionate and divided exchange, council president Jacquie Hepfer was close to tears.

"I've never seen this council divided like this and it

hurts me," she said.

Councilman Cabot McBride proposed that city attorney Larry Haag draft an ordinance similar to the one adopted by the county with the exception that bars and liquor stores would not be allowed to sell alcohol before noon on Sunday.

Prior to that, several council members voiced concern that they would not be able to reach a consensus or a compromise.

"We're like a skunk in the middle of the road, spinning," Hepfer said.

DiGiovanni advised that council members trust their process and that they would eventually come to an agreement.

AIRPORT

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and liquids in their travel bags.

If successful, the pilot program could spread beyond a small sliver of travelers and airports in Atlanta, Miami, Detroit and Dallas-Fort Worth.

The system's opening run in Atlanta earned positive reviews from several of the passengers who used it, but it also illustrated that they won't be immune to all traditional security procedures. They came to the

same security checkpoint as other passengers, but were ushered to a specialized line. Rodney Berry of Atlanta praised the new system even though his bag got searched by hand at the end.

"It seems like it was faster, even though I got stopped," said the 42-year-old who typically flies at least once a week.

TSA Assistant Administrator Chris McLaughlin said the benefits of the program are twofold.

"This program allows us to focus on individuals that we know a great deal about. And it allows us to apply

these expedited processes to those individuals," he said during a news conference at Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport. "At the same time, it frees up resources for us to apply to individuals that we know less about and potentially pose a greater risk to aviation."

The voluntary test program includes some travelers enrolled in Delta Air Lines' and American Airlines' frequent-flyer programs or three government-run traveler programs — called Global Entry, NEXUS and SENTRI — at the four airports.

DRIVER

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have nothing to hide," Dunn said.

Students agreed that ran-

dom drug testing is good policy for bus drivers. In this case, however, they thought supervisors overreacted.

"She was more than willing to do it," Linkous said. "I understand where they're coming from, but

they need to take a step back and see where she's coming from."

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

Note: The following is a letter to the editor submitted by Crystal River High School students.

We are the Law Studies class at Crystal River High School. As part of a class assignment, we read the recent article appearing on the front page of the Sept. 15 issue of the Chronicle, entitled "Bus driver faces firing for refusing drug test."

After reading the article our teacher asked us to jot down our thoughts and feelings on paper. He specifically asked us to write down whether or not we thought the treatment of the bus driver was fair or not and why. We unanimously agreed that the treatment given to the bus driver was fundamentally unfair, and didn't even comply with the law as we understood it.

As a result of our unanimous feelings about this matter, our teacher asked if we would like to engage in what he said was "a long tradition of expressing and sharing thoughts in the United States, no matter how unpopular they may be." We told him that we wanted to exercise our First Amendment free speech rights in a public way by writing to the editor of the Chronicle and responding to what we unanimously believe could become a miscarriage of justice.

We would like to begin by stating that, as a class, we most certainly agree with random drug testing for bus drivers. We think it is obvious that persons responsible for transporting schoolchildren must be completely free of drugs and alcohol, and random drug testing is not only necessary but a reasonable intrusion into the privacy rights of people that want to be school bus drivers. It is also our understanding that school bus drivers agree to random drug-testing as a condition of being hired.

However, the facts as presented by the Chronicle leave us troubled, and of the opinion that this bus driver is being treated without "fair play and substantial justice," a basic tenet of due process in the United States.

The article points out that Gayle Bardsley, the bus driver at risk of termination, is not only a grandmother, but also legal guardian of her grandson. We would point out that Ms. Bardsley has been employed by the Citrus School District since 2004 and has an excellent personnel record.

According to the article, Ms. Bardsley never refused to be drug tested. In fact, she was willing to take the test immediately. Unfortunately, the drug testing person was not present at that time, and Ms. Bardsley had, five months earlier, scheduled a dental appointment for her grandson. In fact, when she left for the dental appointment, the drug-testing personnel had still not yet arrived. Therefore, we believe that Ms. Bardsley can hardly be accused of leaving a drug-test site when no drug-test site had yet been established.

We believe that a little common sense might be helpful in this case. Since Ms. Bardsley was willing to be immediately tested, we believe that it is highly unlikely that she had evidence of drugs in her system. Furthermore, her prior blemish-

free employment record further attests to the strong probability that she was and is drug-free. In addition, to demonstrate the good faith effort of Ms. Bardsley to comply with her random drug-testing obligation, she left a telephone number at which she could be reached while at the dentist. According to the article, Ms. Bardsley did in fact receive that call and told to immediately return for the drug screening. She did exactly that — she returned.

Unfortunately, Ms. Bardsley was notified after her return that the testing lab had made an error in stating that she could return for drug testing and therefore the drug-test would not be administered.

We believe that Ms. Bardsley is not the type of person envisioned or contemplated by the rule concerning refusal to be drug-tested or leaving a drug-testing site. This is a grandmother struggling to maintain employment and raise her grandson during tough times. She never refused to be drug-tested randomly and consistently expressed her willingness to be immediately tested.

In addition, we believe that firing Ms. Bardsley during these difficult economic times would not only harm Ms. Bardsley but also her grandson, who depends on the love and financial care of his grandmother. We don't believe that it will be that easy for Ms. Bardsley to go

out and find a replacement job in this county. And given her excellent employment record why would the School District want to lose a qualified and excellent school bus driver?

Therefore, we as members of the Law Studies class at Crystal River High School believe that common sense, fair play and substantial justice as well as the strict letter of the law should allow Ms. Bardsley to keep her job.

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SCIENCE

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environment," the teacher said.

Broken into small groups, the students were given four zip-lock plastic bags and two pieces of banana, each cut into one-centimeter slices, and placed inside each of the bags.

In the first bag, called the control variable, the banana was added and the bag closed.

In the remaining three bags, independent variables were added. Bag one received 30 millimeters of water in with the banana. In another bag, a packet of yeast was poured in; and, in the fourth bag a small amount of water and yeast were added.

Most students seemed confident in their hypothesis that the combination of water and yeast would prove to have the most decomposition power. Time would tell.

Recalling a lesson earlier in the year, the students were instructed how to measure, utilizing the metric system. The students recalled those lessons during the study by measuring equal portions of banana and water for the experiment. Those proper measures were necessary to make the experiment consistent.

"We are using variables and we are all using the same scientific method. We have to make sure that everything is the same to make sure the results are valid," she said.

After all the final measures were made and the bags sealed, the students stacked the bags in the corner where they would reside for several days. "We'll see a change tomorrow but we'll really see a big difference in a few days from now when we come back from the weekend," Pope said. "You're going to see the bags begin to inflate as they fill with gasses as the yeast begins to feed on the banana," Pope said. "The yeast will release gas as a waste product."



MATTHEW BECK/Chronicle

Students place their bags with bananas and other ingredients into the corner and wait for the results of their experiment.

Many of the students said the hands-on experimentation utilizing different variables was more enjoyable than reading a lesson in a book. Student Krissy Hackey said, "I think it's easier to do an actual experiment because you get to actually touch things and see what's going on instead of reading something that might not really explain it very well."

Paige Healy echoed her thoughts.

"It's easier to understand a

lesson when you have hands-on instead of only reading about it in a book," she said. "And when you're reading a book sometimes your mind wanders."

As many of the students hypothesized, the combination of water of yeast proved most effective in breaking down the banana.

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Around
THE STATE

Citrus County

Church, state group convenes Oct. 18

Americans United for Separation of Church and State (Nature Coast Chapter) will meet at 4 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 18, at Lakes Region Library, 1511 Druid Road, Inverness.

The public is welcome. For more information, call Marilyn at (352) 726-9112 or email Naturecoastau@hotmail.com.

Republican clubs to meet Saturday

Saturday, Oct. 8, is the next meeting of Republican Party of Florida-chartered Nature Coast Republican Club and the RPOF-chartered Citrus Republican Women's Club.

The meeting will be a panel discussion and question-and-answer session with the three Republican candidates for sheriff of Citrus County: Winn Webb, Hank Hemrick and Steven Burch.

The meeting, as well as all future NCRC/CRWC meetings, will take place at American Legion Post 155, 6585 W. Gulf-to-Lake Highway (State Road 44), Crystal River.

Coffee and pastry will be available at no charge at 8:30 a.m. and the meeting will start at 9 a.m.

All Citrus County registered Republicans are welcome. For information, call Fred Hale or Rosella Hale at (352) 746-2545 or email chef8465@tampabay.rr.com.

Crystal River

Democratic club sets monthly meeting

The Crystal River Democratic Club, a new political and community action organization, is having its monthly meeting at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 18, at Seven Rivers Golf and Country Club in Crystal River.

The guest speaker will be Susan Gill, Citrus County supervisor of elections. The meeting is open to all Democrats and Independent voters.

Call Bob Campbell, president, at (352) 795-4119.

Land O'Lakes

Biden touts jobs bill at Tampa-area school

Vice President Joe Biden visited an overcrowded elementary school in the Tampa area on Tuesday to tout the president's American Jobs Act and promise that it would help stem the tide of teacher layoffs and fix up schools across the country.

Biden and President Barack Obama have mounted a steady public campaign to press Congress to pass the bill, traveling to politically important states and to districts of key Republican leaders. Biden visited Oakstead Elementary School, about 45 minutes north of Tampa.

—From staff, wire reports

Corrections

■ Because of writer error, a story on Page A1 of Tuesday's edition, "The Chronicle's Pink Paper Day," warrants correcting. Mammograms will be offered to uninsured women at three Citrus Memorial locations. The story gave an incorrect number of locations.

■ A story on Page A2 of Tuesday's edition, "New fire stations open," warrants correcting. Firefighter Ryan Malone was a volunteer for two years and has been a paid firefighter the past five years. The story stated otherwise.

The *Chronicle* regrets the errors.

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

Lucky day for car winner

Beverly Hills man opts for \$18,000 instead of Camaro

CATHY KAPULKA
Staff Writer

Beverly Hills resident Paul Bagwell said he didn't think much about spending \$50 when he purchased two tickets for the Boys & Girls Clubs of Citrus County's annual car drawing for a 2011 Chevy Camaro LS Coupe.

On Saturday the winning ticket was drawn at Love Chevrolet in Inverness, and it had his name on it.

"I'd never won anything, so I never expected it," Bagwell said. "It was a long time coming, like 70 years. I thought I was just a destined contributor. Finally, I got a payoff."

Bagwell was not present for the drawing, as he was participating in a Professional Disc Golf Association tournament in Ocala. He said he was extremely surprised and had to pull over while driving home after checking his voicemail, which had a message from a club representative informing him that he had won the car.



Special to the Chronicle

Brenden Prue, left, of Love Chevrolet in Inverness, congratulates Paul Bagwell after Bagwell's winning ticket was drawn in the Boys & Girls Clubs of Citrus County's annual car drawing for a 2011 Chevy Camaro LS Coupe. Bagwell opted for an \$18,000 payoff instead of taking the car.

"I told my associate, 'You're driving, because I can't drive anymore,'" he said. "The word spread quickly throughout the players that I got my 'big ace' on Saturday."

Bagwell opted for an \$18,000 payoff instead of the taking the car.

"It wasn't a practical car for me," Bagwell said. "Thirty years ago, I

would have gladly accepted the car. Now I'm more practical, a retiree. I see a lot of older gentlemen drive sport cars, but I got that out of my system in my youth."

Bagwell said he has always donated to local charitable organizations that benefit youth, seniors or the needy. He has been buying car-

drawing tickets for the last five years and plans to purchase more tickets next year.

"If you never enter something, you never win," he added. "And it's for a good cause."

Lane Vick, executive director of the club, said Bagwell was very appreciative and complimented the club on its work and everything it does for the children of Citrus County.

Vick said she was pleased with the ticket sales that totaled 1,805. The club netted \$27,125 from the drawing, which will be used for operating costs at the three club sites, in Beverly Hills, Inverness and Homosassa.

"A lot of people were included in this," she said. "We appreciate everyone involved, everyone who bought tickets, sold tickets and helped with the barbecue bash. Everything came together to make it a success."

Vick said the next club fundraiser will be an adult kickball tournament that will be at Whispering Pines Park in Inverness on Dec. 3. For more information, call (352) 621-9225 or visit citrusbgc.com.

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Golden years

Crystal River shines light on 1961 class

MIKE WRIGHT
Staff Writer

—CRYSTAL RIVER
This is how tight the Crystal River High School class of 1961 was: They raised enough money for the class trip in one day.

Fifty years later, those Pirates will join other alumni at the high school's 29th annual reunion Saturday at Stokes Flea Market near Crystal River.

While the reunion dinner will highlight five other classes, including the one from 1941, it's the class of 1961 in the spotlight.

Many of those graduates still live and work in Citrus County, including Realtor Ernest Woods.

"Citrus County is a mighty fine place," Woods said. "I was born and raised here. I raised two daughters here by myself."

Woods has fond memories of his school days in Crystal River.

"Six of us started in kindergarten and made it all the way through the 12th grade," he said.

It was a small class — 23 graduates. Football was the main sport.

"We won the West Coast Conference championship in football that year," Woods said. "The most we ever dressed was 16. Everybody



Special to the Chronicle

Students in the Crystal River High School class of 1961 celebrate raising enough money for their senior trip.



The 50th anniversary class will be featured Saturday during the annual Crystal River High School reunion dinner.

played. If you were a boy, you played football."

Woods said the senior

class trip was to Nassau.

"We made our money all in one day," he said.

"We didn't have cake sales every other weekend. We did it with one

big barbecue."

Woods said he is still friends with many of his classmates.

"We were a pretty well-knit class," he said, then joked: "All of them but me was pretty smart. I was on the bottom. I held them all up."

Check-in for the reunion starts at 4 p.m. with dinner at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$12 and can be purchased at the door.

Along with the class of 1961, five other classes will be recognized: 1941, 1946, 1951, 1956 and 1966.

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

Women veterans group serves needs of women vets

Members wanted

NANCY KENNEDY
Staff Writer

LECANTO — Women are military veterans, too.

And as women, their issues are different from their male counterparts.

Earlier this year, a women's veterans group formed at the Lecanto Veterans Affairs clinic as a peer-run support group facilitated by Iris Wilsek, VA mental health social worker.

It started off big, Wilsek said, but it's been shrinking.

On Monday — they meet the first Monday of every month — they met to discuss what they want to be and

what they don't want to be as a group.

"We had a few drop out because they were looking for more of a mental health therapy group," Wilsek said.

She added that to be a part of this group, women need to be enrolled in the clinic for health care. However, they don't have to use the clinic for care.

"We have 250 female veterans enrolled here, and there are many more (women veterans) in the county," she said.

Cynthia Holden, Joan Conway and Elaine Hunt, three charter members, said they don't want this group to be just another support group or just a social group, but to have a purpose.

Holden suggested they work together to help other women veterans in need, such as a 64-year-old veteran with multiple sclerosis who lives on a fixed income. Currently, the Citrus County Veterans Coalition is helping to raise funds for a car for her and suggested the group take that as their project.

"That way we can help other women veterans in tangible ways," Holden said. "Many functions occur where we would like to involve female veterans, but we don't know how to reach them."

On Nov. 7, the group will discuss "Coping with the Holidays." They meet from 3 to 4 p.m. Refreshments will be served.

Also, on Dec. 5, a social afternoon is planned from 2 to 4 p.m. All

women veterans are invited to come to either event to meet other vets and learn more about the group, as well as other veteran opportunities.

Monthly group discussion topics range from applying for veterans' benefits and coping with illness or disabilities to jewelry making, living on a budget, nutrition and diet and menopause.

"There's a bond between women veterans that's different from other friendships," Wilsek said.

For information, call Cynthia Holden at (352) 628-6481 or Iris Wilsek at (352) 746-8067.

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THE MARKET IN REVIEW

HOW TO READ THE MARKET IN REVIEW

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

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BUILD ON SUCCESSES

Cooperative approach best for city, county

The public is ill-served when elected officials spend their time sniping at each other instead of working together to resolve real issues.

With the city moving forward to improve downtown Crystal River, vacant storefronts along U.S. 19, water quality issues in King's Bay, and plans for providing sewer service in west Citrus, there are many issues where the county and the city need to work as a team instead of separately.

However, in recent weeks, the relationship between Commissioner Dennis Damato and Crystal River officials has been more acrimonious than harmonious, with Commissioner Damato criticizing the city for not having a plan for development and city officials firing back a rebuttal.

Admittedly, the relationship is not helped by a member of the city council running for the commissioner's seat, the county moving the West Citrus Government Center out of the city to Meadowcrest, and the city council dissolving the Community Redevelopment Agency where Damato served many years as the volunteer president.

While these actions might lead to some bruised feelings, they should not get in the way of both sides doing what is right for Crystal River residents, who are also

county residents and pay county taxes.

Both Damato and city officials care about the future of the city, and both sides are trying to articulate a vision for how this future can best be achieved.

If each party can set aside personal feelings and say "we" more often than "I," they could use this latest verbal exchange as the basis for developing a shared vision that both can work to make a reality.

In his criticism, Damato articulated a vision for the city. In response, city officials outlined what they are doing to improve the town. There is broad agreement between the two positions regarding what needs to be done in Crystal River.

With a good-faith effort on both parts, this could form the basis for a path forward all could agree to support.

The fact is that Crystal River needs the county's support for many projects, the county needs Crystal River to be a successful, thriving town, and residents need the two governments to work together instead of finding reasons to criticize each other.

There are many successes to build on, such as the acquisition of the Three Sisters Spring property. By working together, there can be many more.

The city will benefit, the county will benefit, and most importantly, residents will benefit if officials pull together instead of against each other.

THE ISSUE:

Commissioner Damato and Crystal River officials trade verbal punches.

OUR OPINION:

Government leaders need to pull together, not against each other.

Webb: Sheriff couldn't answer questions

I was elected by the citizens of Citrus County to do a job that includes monitoring and passing a balanced budget.

I do not know who the recent editorial writer is or where they obtained their information. The simple truth is that I did in fact ask a number of questions of the sheriff at the preliminary budget hearing on July 27, at which time the sheriff stated he could not answer them. I would add that none of his staff who were also present could answer the questions, either.

He then advised that he would see that I received the answers to my questions. I took him at his word; after all, he is the sheriff. The ball was clearly in his court. Seven weeks later at the Sept. 15 tentative budget hearing, after receiving no response from the sheriff or his staff as to my previous questions, I presented a PowerPoint presentation to the Board of County Commissioners and the public, showing how the sheriff had in fact raised his budget by over \$1 million. It is much easier to give a few hundred thousand dollars back when you have first padded your budget with \$1 million. The recently completed 2010 census clearly shows that Citrus County has lost population, which obviously does not support a budget increase.

It was not and is not my intent to embarrass the sheriff as the editorialist implies, but to get answers to very specific questions, and the sheriff had seven weeks to respond. Time became a factor, as we were down to only two weeks to make final budget decisions. If the sheriff is embarrassed, whose fault is it?

This year, the sheriff is the only constitutional officer who asked for and received a \$1 million increase in their budget. He has since cut \$300,000 from it, leaving a \$700,000 increase. This budget increase was approved by the BOCC in a 4 to 1 vote, myself being the only no vote.

I could not in clear conscience treat one constitutional officer differently than the others, nor could I face my constituents and



If the sheriff is embarrassed, whose fault is it?

Commissioner Winn Webb

on Citrus County Sheriff's Office Budget.

tell them this was a frugal use of their hard-earned tax dollars. I do not believe the sheriff needed to spend money this year to hire more employees and thereby increase the size of the sheriff's office at a time when Citrus County has a double-digit unemployment rate of 11.7 percent, which is 2 points higher than the national average. The foreclosure rates are continuing to spiral up, and a large portion of our residents are retirees and/or military veterans on fixed incomes and who have not received any cost of living allowance increases for the past two years. With the cost of food going up and prescription costs rising as well, it seems some of our elected officials just don't get it.

As the editorialist noted, Citrus County also received approximately a \$1 million benefit from the state law passed this year that requires all employees paying into the State Retirement System to contribute 3 percent of their own money. The county used approximately \$492,000 for the employees' insurance and the rest is placed in the contingency fund for unforeseen future emergencies. On top of this, however, the county then cut their budget another \$4.5 million, which further reduced the size of county government.

In summary, the state in effect cut \$1 million and the county cut \$4.5 million more for a total net reduction of \$5.5 million from this year's county budget, while the state also cut the sheriff's, he replaced it by over \$1 million before he gave \$300,000 back, for a net increase in his budget of

\$700,000. There is only so much tax revenue, unless we raise taxes; with that in mind, if the sheriff or anyone else raises their budget, someone or others must reduce theirs by a like amount.

About accusations of playing politics, please remember, I did not ask the sheriff to raise his budget by \$1 million so I could go after him. He chose to do this on his own. Perhaps he thought the county commissioners, myself included, would sit quietly by, rather than be accused of playing politics. After all, no one in their right mind sets out to make a sheriff mad at them, but an oath is an oath. I took it serious when I took it and nothing has changed. If standing up for and protecting the financial well being of Citrus County residents is playing politics, then so be it. As the previous editorial reflects, it is always easier to shoot the messenger or squash the whistle blower, than to deal with the real issue. Especially when tackling the issue requires one to oppose a very powerful and in some circles, a well-liked individual. No one ever said that the right thing to do would always be the easy or popular thing to do.

Make no mistake, as your county commissioner, I will remain vigilant and continue to do everything in my power to protect the financial well being of my constituents against whoever may try to take advantage of them.

Winn Webb is the District 5 member of the Citrus County Commission.

Sound Off

Wonderful, Matt

In the Sept. 29 *Chronicle* in the Sports section, Matthew Beck, photographer for the *Chronicle*, wrote an article captioned "A time for family bonding." Great article, Matt. I think this ought to be repeated several times in the *Chronicle*. Maybe under other categories besides Sports, since everybody doesn't read the Sports section. But it's something every father should read if he has children. I know I can share many similar experiences to Matt's.



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Big bullies

Many kids who are bullies grow up to be adult bullies. These people, male and female, have learned that they can effect action by intimidation either financially, physically or verbally. Some of the local stores have seen this bullying of their employees by a couple of persons in Citrus County. Since the businesses do not want to deal with these bullies, they grant them their wishes just to get rid of them. That may be OK for the business, but not the employee who was put in the middle.

Small-town big shots

Crystal River was a unique, beautiful, little city. I loved it. That's why I moved here. I'm sorry I moved here. It is such a mess. We've got too many chiefs and not enough Indians. Everybody wants to be an authority.

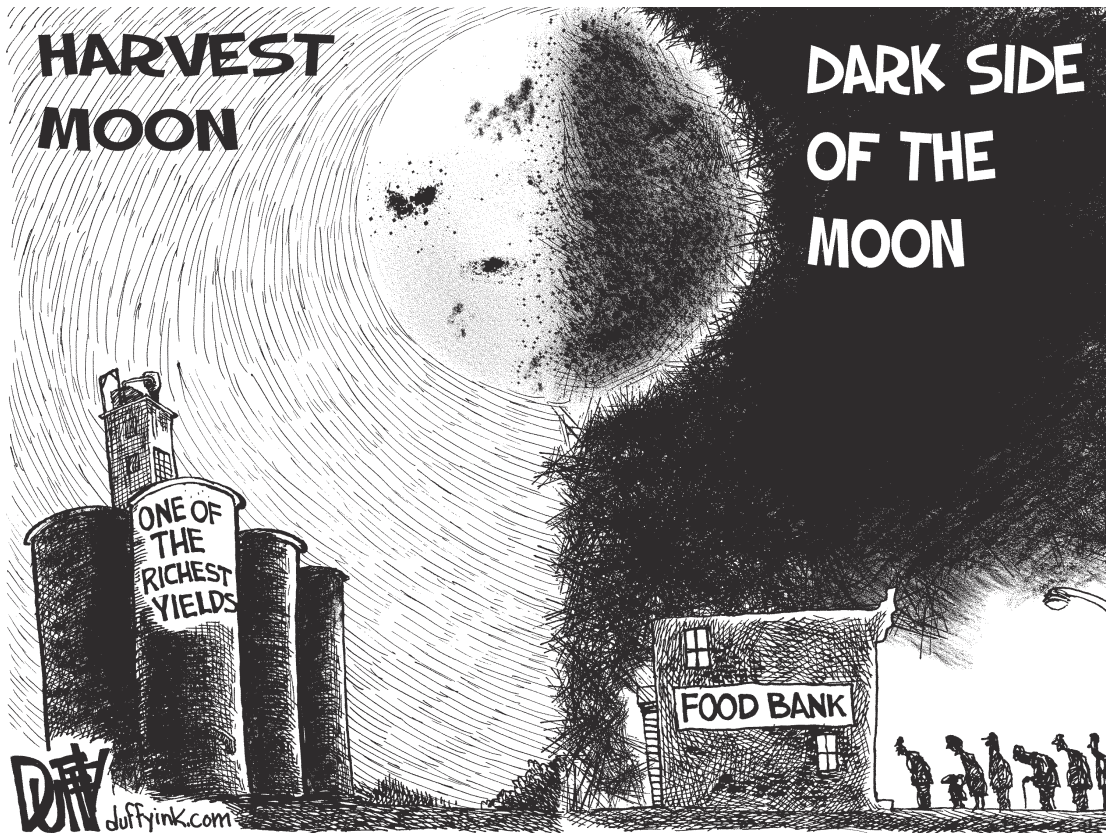
Dunnellon is trying to fix itself up because it had run down also. So we need to get with it, people, and be proud of our little cities and not run them down. You all can't be big shots in a little town.

Well said, Diana

I meant to comment earlier to Diana West's great article in the Sunday (Sept. 26) *Chronicle*. I served in the Army but was not in Vietnam. The same offensive strategy was used there as is being used in Afghanistan. Why does the military purposely send troops out on night patrols? Let the enemy come to us. If commanders send troops out looking for trouble, they're going to find it. Ambushes, roadside bombs equals lost limbs, lost lives, lost brains and lost body parts. Why? We aren't even wanted over there. What are we trying to win? Protecting the homeland is one thing, but sending young sons, husbands and fathers deliberately to be killed is senseless and it's bankrupting our country.

Evacuation

In reading the article of "Cleaning for a plane crash," in evacuation, retrieving carry-on baggage, I would like to make a suggestion that each person grab a bag nearest to them and sort them out at the place of gathering to save exit time. Anyone see a flaw in that type of evacuation?



LETTERS to the Editor

Values, not value

The most recent legal action affecting the Red Level Cemetery is sadly disconcerting. Steve and Jewel Lamb bought the property next to the cemetery knowing the restrictions against mining. According to the *Chronicle* today, they stated they did not plan on mining it but wanted to improve it so they could sell it and make a profit. Their attorney, Clark Stillwell, commenced legal proceedings because the county would not approve a Land Development Code change that would allow mining within 200 feet of the cemetery. Mr. Stillwell stated that the board relied on emotion and opinion while he had scientific evidence that the mining would not disturb the grave-stones.

The real issue here is respect. I believe the families are less concerned about damage to the gravestones than they are about disturbing the sacred resting place of their loved ones. That

may be emotional, but it should have standing in our court system. This nation is approximately 75 percent Christian. We believe in the Bible teachings and the sanctity of the concept of another life. We bury our loved ones in hopes of their resurrection. We place high priority on the burial process and the place of final rest.

This cemetery represents history and the survivor's core religion faith. We would protect it if it were a historically significant home or war site. There are legal precedents for that. It is inconceivable that Mr. Stillwell's argument is based on not damaging the stones yet fails to realize the importance of the family's Christian belief centered on respect for their deceased loved ones.

There is no profit or tax breaks for not perusing this litigation, but it is the right and Christian thing to do.

Roger B. Krieger
Beverly Hills

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Nation BRIEFS

Crashed



Associated Press

A helicopter is raised Tuesday from the East River in New York. The helicopter was on a private tour with five people aboard when it sputtered and crashed into the East River on Tuesday afternoon shortly after takeoff from a riverbank heliport, killing one passenger and injuring three others.

Chopper crashes into East River

NEW YORK — A helicopter with five people aboard crashed into the East River on Tuesday afternoon after taking off from a launch pad on the riverbank, killing one passenger and injuring the others.

New York Police Department divers pulled the dead woman from about 50 feet of water about an hour after the Bell 206 helicopter went down around 3 p.m. All the passengers appeared to be British tourists, police said.

Officers usually assigned to counterterrorism duties heard of the crash and arrived at the scene to find the chopper inverted in the murky water with just its skids showing on the surface. Firefighters also responded to the scene.

U.S. scientists win Nobel in physics

NEW YORK — Three U.S.-born scientists won the Nobel Prize in physics Tuesday for discovering that the universe is expanding at an accelerating pace, a stunning revelation that suggests the cosmos could be headed for a colder, bleaker future, nearly devoid of light.

In 1998, Saul Perlmutter, Brian Schmidt and Adam Riess presented findings that overturned the conventional idea that the expansion was slowing 13.7 billion years after the big bang.

Their discovery raised a question: What is pushing the universe apart? Scientists have labeled it "dark energy," but nobody knows what it is.

It's "an enigma, perhaps the greatest in physics today," the Nobel committee said.

Perlmutter, 52, of the Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory and University of California, Berkeley, will receive half the \$1.5 million prize. The other half will go to Schmidt, 44, at the Australian National University in Weston Creek, Australia, and Riess, 41, an astronomy professor at Johns Hopkins University.

World BRIEF

Festival



Associated Press

Indian artists dressed as Hindu god Rama, left, and his brother Lakshman sit on a tableau Tuesday during a Dussehra festival procession in Allahabad, India. Dussehra festival commemorates the victory of good over evil.

—From wire reports

No economic rescue in sight

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Europe has a debt crisis. America has a jobs crisis. Corporate profits could be in trouble. World financial markets are in turmoil. And no one seems prepared to ride to the rescue.

Federal Reserve Chairman Ben Bernanke bluntly warned Congress on Tuesday of what most of America has sensed for some time: The economic recovery, such as it is, "is close to faltering."

The central bank chief spoke on a day when the stock market spent most of the trading hours in bear market territory — down 20 percent from its most recent highs in April. A late-day rally helped the market finish higher.

Bernanke's exchange with lawmakers seemed to capture the growing belief that no one is prepared to help the global economy in any meaningful way anytime soon. Speaking in unusually frank terms, he also captured the nation's sour economic mood.

The Fed chief was asked about protests around Wall Street, which

went on for an 18th day as demonstrators railed against corporate greed and expressed frustration over the economy.

Bernanke replied: "I think people are quite unhappy with the state of the economy and what's happening. They blame, with some justification, the problems in the financial sector for getting us into this mess. And they're dissatisfied with the policy response here in Washington. And at some level, I can't blame them."

"Certainly, 9 percent unemployment and very slow growth is not a very good situation," he added. "That's why they are protesting."

Throughout the day, traders and U.S. policymakers kept one eye on Europe, where a debt crisis has dragged on more than a year. Investors worry that a messy default by Greece could hurt European banks and their American counterparts.

On Tuesday, the Greek finance minister said the nation has enough money to pay pensions, salaries and bondholders through the middle of next month — and that was seen as

good news. Bernanke told Congress there was little the Fed could do about Europe's problems.

"Unfortunately, we are innocent bystanders here," he said. "I am persuaded they are aware of the risks."

Bernanke said he believes the Fed's latest move to help the economy would be "meaningful but not an enormous support" for the economy. The program, known as Operation Twist, is designed to lower long-term interest rates so people and businesses will spend more money.

"It should help, somewhat, on job creation and growth," the Fed chief told Congress. "It's particularly important now that the economy is close, the recovery is close to faltering."

"We need to make sure that the recovery continues and doesn't drop back and that the unemployment rate continues to fall," he added.

The Fed has used most of its tools to help the economy. It said this summer that it expects to keep interest rates super-low into 2013.



Associated Press

Federal Reserve Board Chairman Ben Bernanke testifies Tuesday on Capitol Hill in Washington before the Joint Economic Committee hearing on the economic outlook.

Congress is inclined to cut, not raise, spending. Europe is resisting bold steps to save its most troubled economies. And fears are rising that a recession is on the verge of seizing Europe and eventually spreading around the world.

"We have already taken interest rates down to zero ... and this Congress doesn't seem to be able to do anything," said David Wyss, former chief economist at Standard & Poor's. "So not much good is going to happen."

Bomb kills 70 in Somalia

Al-Qaida-linked group claims responsibility

Associated Press

MOGADISHU, Somalia — Al-Qaida-linked militants launched their deadliest single bombing in Somalia on Tuesday, killing 70 people and demonstrating how the group that blocked aid to famine victims can still mount devastating violence even after most of its fighters fled the capital in August.

A truck loaded with drums of fuel exploded outside the Ministry of Education on one of central Mogadishu's busiest streets, where students and their parents were registering for scholarships offered by the Turkish government.

Rebels of the al-Shabab militant group immediately claimed responsibility for the bombing, saying it was striking government officials and foreigners — referring to African Union peacekeeping troops supporting the U.N.-backed regime.

Although the Islamic fighters made what they called a "tactical withdrawal" from their bases



Associated Press

Somalis carry a wounded man at the scene of an explosion Tuesday in Mogadishu, Somalia. A rescue official said at least 55 people were killed after a car laden with explosives blew up in front of the Ministry of Education in the Somali capital of Mogadishu. The al-Qaida-linked militant group al-Shabab immediately claimed responsibility for the attack on a website it uses, after more than a month of relative calm in Mogadishu.

in Mogadishu amid an AU offensive in August, they had vowed to carry out devastating suicide attacks.

The thunderous blast covered the city in dust more than a half-mile away and left blackened corpses sprawled amid burning vehicles. One woman used a blue plastic bucket to pour water on a charred and smoldering body.

Rescuers rushed scores of victims with burns and severed limbs to Medina Hospital, said nurse Ali Abdullahi. Even in a city

beset by war and anarchy for two decades, the bombing horrified medical workers.

"It is the most awful tragedy I have ever seen," he said.

"Imagine — dozens are being brought here minute by minute. Most of the wounded people are unconscious and others have their faces blackened by smoke and heat."

Duniya Salad sobbed over her brother's burned body after he died while undergoing treatment. "They killed him before

he started university! Why was he killed? Damn to al-Shabab," she said.

At least 70 people were killed and 42 wounded, said Ali Muse, chief of Mogadishu's ambulance service.

"The explosion has not only affected the targeted place, but even passer-by people and car passengers died there. The death toll may increase and we are still carrying many dead bodies," he said.

"It is the worst tragedy I have ever seen in the capital."

Christie says it's final: No GOP presidential run

Associated Press

TRENTON, N.J. — After a surge of new speculation, New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie declared with finality Tuesday that "now is not my time" to run for president, dashing the hopes of Republicans still searching for someone other than front-runners Mitt Romney and Rick Perry.

Christie had insisted for months that he wouldn't run. But then came an intense weekend of reconsideration before he made a firm announcement at a news conference at the New Jersey Statehouse. His decision means the campaign now basically belongs to Romney and Perry, battling to take on President Barack Obama three months before the first GOP voting.

Though both men have extensive party support, Romney, the former Massachusetts governor, has failed to win over some skeptical conservatives, and Perry, the Texas governor, has been falling in opinion polls as quickly as he had risen.

Christie was the latest, perhaps last, hope of some establishment Republicans who had already been rejected by Indiana Gov. Mitch Daniels, Mississippi Gov. Haley Barbour, for-



Associated Press

New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie stands Tuesday in the Statehouse in Trenton, N.J., as he announces that he will not run for president in 2012.

mer Florida Gov. Jeb Bush, Wisconsin Rep. Paul Ryan and others who declined to run for president in 2012. He's been governor of New Jersey for less than two years, but he's cut the budget, curtailed public sector unions, and dealt with a Democratic legislature with disarming and com-

bative confidence.

Christie disputed the idea that his name was just one more on that list.

"They weren't searching. They came right to one target, and it was me," he said Tuesday. "And it has always been me."

But he said he was sure, "Now is not my time."

There are still other potential challengers. Former Utah Gov. Jon Huntsman is showing some promise in New Hampshire; former Pennsylvania Sen. Rick Santorum has support from social conservatives in Iowa and former Godfather's Pizza CEO Herman Cain is rising in national polls. Former Alaska Gov. Sarah Palin still hasn't said whether she'll run.

But Christie's announcement leaves Perry and Romney as the two Republicans who have the profile, campaign organization, fundraising prowess and early-state promise for a serious run at the nomination.

Within hours, Christie donors started picking sides.

The Romney campaign said Ken Langone, the Home Depot financier who helped lead the push to get Christie to run, had jumped on board. Iowa businessman Gary Kirke announced he would support Perry.

Short-term spending bill passed Tuesday

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The House passed a spending bill Tuesday to fund the government for six weeks, delaying a series of battles over spending and policy that include everything from labor law and environmental regulations to abortion and the Pentagon budget.

The 352-66 vote sent the measure to President Barack Obama in time to avert a government shutdown at midnight. That ended a skirmish over disaster aid that seemed to signal far more trouble ahead as Obama and a bitterly divided Congress begin working on ironing out hundreds of differences, big and small, on a \$1 trillion-plus pile of 12 unfinished spending bills.

Fifty-three Republicans defected on the measure, which was calibrated to spend money at rates equal to an August budget deal between Congress and Obama that permits too much spending for many tea party conservatives.

For weeks officials fought over disaster aid after the House insisted that \$1 billion in emergency aid for victims of Hurricane Irene and other natural disasters should have been offset by cuts elsewhere in the budget. House and Senate Democrats strongly opposed the idea, particularly over House GOP cuts to a loan guarantee program that helps automakers re-tool factories to meet new fuel economy standards.

But a face-saving compromise last week — the Senate dropped both the \$1 billion in aid and the cuts to clean energy programs — paved the way for Tuesday's vote. Debate lasted just minutes.

"We need to keep the doors of the government open to the American people who rely on its programs and services," said the chairman of the House Appropriations Committee, Rep. Harold Rogers, R-Ky. "Furthermore, our economy cannot handle the instability that comes with the threat of a government shutdown."

A far more difficult task loomed: passing the 12 annual spending bills that lay out the day-to-day operating budgets for Cabinet agencies and departments.

The task was made easier by the fact that the GOP-controlled House, the Democratic-run Senate and the president were in agreement on an overall \$1 trillion-plus budget for the day-to-day operations of government agencies.

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Rangers oust Rays on Beltre's 3 HRs

Texas wins 4-3 as Tampa runs out of comebacks

Associated Press

ST. PETERSBURG — This is what Adrian Beltre envisioned when he signed with Texas in the offseason. Balls jumping off his bat in October, the Rangers making another run for the pennant.

Beltre hit three straight home runs and the defending AL champions advanced again, beating the Tampa

Francisco's homer lifts Phillies past Cards

■ Philadelphia beats St. Louis. For full story, see Page B5.

Bay Rays 4-3 in Game 4 Tuesday to win their playoff matchup.

Beltre put on a power show that few players in major league history have matched, helping Texas take the best-of-five series and ending the Rays' remarkable run to the wildcard spot. The Rangers next play the Detroit Tigers-New York Yankees winner.

"From my point of view, Texas gave me the best chance to put a ring on my finger," Beltre added, "and I

am just two steps away from it. Hopefully that happens."

Ian Kinsler led off the game for Texas by homering on the second pitch from rookie Jeremy Hellickson.

Then it was Beltre's turn. He came into the game in an 1-for-11 slump in this series before breaking loose.

Maybe Beltre's best day as a pro.

"I think besides my first big league hit, this is right up there," said the slugger, who spent last season with the Boston Red Sox. He's

back in the postseason for the first time since 2004, when he was with the Los Angeles Dodgers.

It was the seventh time a player has homered three times in a postseason game — Adam Kennedy was the last to do it, for the Angels in 2002. Babe Ruth did it twice, while Reggie Jackson, George Brett and Bob Robertson also are on the list.

Beltre connected in his first three at-bats. Given a chance to tie the big league record of four homers in a game, he hit a routine flyout in the eighth against Wade Davis.

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Associated Press

Texas Rangers Adrian Beltre swings for a home run in the second inning against the Tampa Bay Rays during Game 4 of American league division Series on Tuesday in St. Petersburg. Beltre hit three home runs in the game.

Player spotlight: JAKE TAMPOSI



Panther senior practices strong stroke to earn place on collegiate team

DAVE SIGLER/Chronicle

Lecanto High School swimmer Jake Tamposi competes in a recent swim meet. His coach Matt Bouthillier says he is the hardest working swimmer he has ever coached.

You get the feeling if human cloning were possible, Lecanto High School swim coach Matt Bouthillier would love to run off some copies of Jake Tamposi.

LARRY BUGG
Sports Correspondent

"He (Tamposi) is the hardest working swimmer I have ever coached," Bouthillier said. "He's a student of the sport. He works incredibly hard. He has two older brothers who are swimming in college right now and he works harder than both of them."

Lou Tamposi swims for Tufts University in Boston, Mass., while Joe Tamposi swims for Middlebury College in Vermont. Next year, some lucky college will be happy to have Jake, 17, in the pool.

The youngest Tamposi showed a little of what he could do in the first meet, Sept. 1,

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Lecanto defeats Central, South Lake

JOE KORNECKI
Sports Correspondent

CITRUS HILLS — The Lecanto Panthers boys and girls swim teams continued their prowess in the pool as both defeated the Central and South Lake teams in a

"double-duel" meet at Terra Vista.

The Lecanto boys' defeated Central 136-12 and South Lake 138-25. The Lecanto girls' team defeated Central 129-39 and South Lake 109-56 to stay undefeated.

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Local boys golf teams square off on county courses



DAVE SIGLER/Chronicle

Lecanto High School's Mark Giardino tees off on the No. 3 hole Tuesday during a match against Citrus High School at Southern Woods Golf Course.

Hurricanes continue winning streak by besting Lecanto Panthers

SEAN ARNOLD
Sports Correspondent

Two up. Two Down. Citrus bested their second county rival in as many days with a 161-164 road win over Lecanto on Tuesday at Southern Woods Golf Club in Homosassa.

The success on the links for Citrus comes in the wake of tragic circumstances following the death of Citrus High graduate Fred Drew early Sunday morning. 'Canes coach Mike Kenniston put his team's season and the recent days in perspective.

"With everything that's been going on, it's a real tribute to the guys to hang in

their and stay focused," he said. "We had our rough spots in the season and the kids just persevered, and it's paying off now. We congratulate Lecanto and Crystal River for their good years as well."

The win puts Citrus (10-3) even for the season in their series with the Panthers (9-3) and Pirates (11-1), and it sets up what could be a very competitive county tournament next Wednesday. The championship event will be hosted at Southern Woods, which brings a smile to golfers from both schools.

Citrus sophomore Dylan Nelson made himself at

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Citrus High School senior Zach Gufford chips onto the green of the No. 5 hole. He finished with a 40.

Pirate golfers bounce back with victory

MIKE MAKSYMICZ
Sports Correspondent

CRYSTAL RIVER — After losing its first game of the season Monday, the Crystal River boys golf team bounced by back beating Bishop McLaughlin Hurricanes of Spring Hill and the Seven Rivers Warriors handily.

The Pirates claimed victory 155-185 and 155-204, respectively.

"After losing a match against the Citrus Hurricanes of Inverness by one stroke, it was good to see

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NFL
Bucs 24, Colts 17

Table with NFL game statistics for Indianapolis vs Tampa Bay, including First Quarter, Second Quarter, Third Quarter, and Fourth Quarter scores and plays.

For the record

Florida LOTTERY



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

- CASH 3 (early) 2-5-1
CASH 3 (late) 4-1-1
PLAY 4 (early) 5-7-8-9
PLAY 4 (late) 6-3-5-4
FANTASY 5 5-21-28-30-36
MEGA MONEY 13-19-25-37
MEGA BALL 8

On the AIRWAVES

TODAY'S SPORTS AUTO RACING

3 a.m. (ESPN2) American Le Mans Series: Petit Le Mans (Taped)

MLB

6 p.m. (TBS) National League Division Series, Game 4: Philadelphia Phillies at St. Louis Cardinals

9:30 p.m. (TBS) National League Division Series, Game 4: Milwaukee Brewers at Arizona Diamondbacks. (If necessary)

WNBA

8 p.m. (ESPN2) Finals, Game 2: Atlanta Dream at Minnesota Lynx

VOLLEYBALL

7:30 p.m. (FSNFL) Women's College: Texas A&M at Texas

Correction

In Tuesday's edition of the Citrus County Chronicle, the times for the postseason baseball games on TBS were incorrect. The Chronicle regrets the error. Readers can alert The Chronicle to any errors in sports articles by emailing sports@chronicle online.com or by calling (352) 563-5660.

REGULAR SEASON STANDINGS

Table with NFL regular season standings for American and National Conferences, listing teams, wins, losses, ties, percentages, points for, and points against.

Sunday's Games

- Detroit 34, Dallas 30
Washington 17, St. Louis 10
Kansas City 22, Minnesota 17
Chicago 34, Carolina 29
Houston 17, Pittsburgh 10
New Orleans 23, Jacksonville 10
San Francisco 24, Philadelphia 23
Tennessee 31, Cleveland 13
Cincinnati 23, Buffalo 20
N.Y. Giants 31, Arizona 27
Atlanta 30, Seattle 28
San Diego 26, Miami 16
New England 31, Oakland 19
Green Bay 49, Denver 23
Baltimore 34, N.Y. Jets 17
Monday's Game
Tampa Bay 24, Indianapolis 17
Sunday, Oct. 9 games
Arizona at Minnesota, 1 p.m.
Oakland at Houston, 1 p.m.
Kansas City at Indianapolis, 1 p.m.
Philadelphia at Buffalo, 1 p.m.
New Orleans at Carolina, 1 p.m.
Cincinnati at Jacksonville, 1 p.m.
Tennessee at Pittsburgh, 1 p.m.
Seattle at N.Y. Giants, 1 p.m.
Tampa Bay at San Francisco, 4:05 p.m.
San Diego at Denver, 4:15 p.m.
N.Y. Jets at New England, 4:15 p.m.
Green Bay at Atlanta, 8:20 p.m.
Open: Baltimore, Cleveland, Dallas, Miami, St. Louis, Washington

NFL Team Statistics

Table with NFL team statistics for Total Yards, American Football Conference, and Offense (Yards, Rush, Pass).

SUPER

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when Lecanto faced Crystal River. Individually, he won the 200 individual medley with a time of 2:13.16 and the 100 butterfly in 58.89. As a team, Tamposi and three others won the 400 freestyle relay.

With his wins tallying up this season, Tamposi probably should start making reservations for the state swim meet. He already has been there twice. He placed 14th in the 100 breaststroke in his sophomore year.

Tamposi is also the No. 2 tennis player for Lecanto but plans on focusing on aquatics in college.

The senior takes a practical approach to his sport. "Swimming gives you the opportunity where if you work hard, you will see results," he said. "There is a direct correlation.

"I plan on swimming in college. It's probably going to be a small Division III school in the northeast. I want a strong academic atmosphere. The mix of athletics and academics will work very well for me."

And Tamposi balances both by working just as hard

in the classroom as in the pool. He has a 4.8-weighted grade point average, and 4.0 unweighted.

He said he would like to attend a business school and eventually have his own company.

But for now he is enjoying his senior year with the Panthers.

"It's been an exciting experience and I just want to make the best of it," he said. "I am very happy with the way coach Bouthillier has been running things. I'm excited for assistant coach Becky Harris. She brings a lot of excitement to the team. It's just been great."

Honoring Citrus High School seniors



Special to the Chronicle

As is tradition, the Fitzpatrick awards were handed out following the Citrus High homecoming football game. Receiving the honors were (from left) Best Offensive Player Stevie Smith, MVP Brandon Roberts and Best Defensive Player Mitch Kilpatrick.

Lady 'Canes fall short

Citrus battles but loses 3-2 against Central

Central 3, Citrus 2

Citrus 25 16 22 25 13

Citrus Leaders:

- Kills: A. Abramowich (11)
Aces: L. Connors (6)
Assists: K. Abramowich (23)

Julie Hough and Brittany Blackburn helped the Bears shorten the lead with their own serving successes, but Citrus came out the victor in a couple of long volleys, winning 25-18 and extending the match to a tiebreaker.

A Bears' attack error gave the 'Canes the first point and the momentum; their defense couldn't stop Central, who suddenly seemed destined as pass after pass went wayward for Citrus. After losing a 4-point lead, the Hurricanes found themselves tied at 12, and ultimately couldn't regain their composure enough to win the shootout that ensued.

Seven Rivers wins in straight sets

Seven Rivers swept First Academy of Leesburg 25-22, 25-18 and 25-20 on the road.

Alyssa Zachar led the Lady Warriors with 10 kills, and Kayleigh Kiernan followed with eight kills.

Alyssa Gage garnered the most assists at 36 for Seven Rivers.

The Lady Warriors (11-6 overall; 4-2 districts) will play at 6:30 p.m. Thursday at St. John's Lutheran in Ocala.

INVERNESS — The Citrus Hurricanes volleyball team made red heart-shaped pins for their coaches to wear at the match against Central on Tuesday night, to "help them find their heart again"

after four straight losses. But while the match was full of heart, it still wasn't enough to top the Bears, who emerged victorious after five games.

"That was a much better showing than the last four games," head coach Cindy Lewis told her team after the match. "And you should be proud of yourselves."

The 'Canes (3-7) won big in Game 1, jumping to 10 points ahead with a 5-point serving run by Mary Wheeler that included two aces. They won 25-13 and seemed hungry for a sweep. But the Bears answered back in Game 2, scoring five unanswered points at the

start with defensive specialist Megan Jordan in the serving position. The 'Canes tied it up at 15, but only scored one more point against the Bears' next 10.

The 'Canes fell again in a close Game 3, losing 25-22 despite timely blocks by Kelly Abramowich. Tied again at 22, things just couldn't seem to go the 'Canes' way. Two attack errors and a Central block gave the Bears a 2-1 lead going into Game 4.

Gesturing to their heart pins, the Citrus coaching staff brought the intensity back to the team.

Lena Martone, who had six kills for the night, and Amy Abramowich, who had a team-high 11 kills, led the team to a quick 9-2 lead, which was extended by successful turns at the serving position by Paige Garvin and Lindsay Connors.

YMCA receives grant for after-school programs

Money to fund scholarships for local students

Special to the Chronicle

The Citrus County YMCA has received a grant from Kids Central for its after-school programs that operate in several local elementary schools. The grant from Kids Central will enable the YMCA to offer scholarships for the afterschool programs during the 2011-12 academic school year.

Eight elementary schools are the locations for the Afterschool Enrichment Clubs this year. The Enrichment programs are divided up into four sessions during the year, with two fall and two spring sessions. The next session begins Oct. 31 and

runs through Dec. 16. All programs are one day a week on site at the school following dismissal from 3:40 to 4:40 p.m.

The Afterschool Enrichment clubs are energetic programs that engage youngsters in an activity-driven environment that lets them wind down after school, but keeps them connected. Using creative methods such as experiments, games, music and other interactions, the YMCA clubs are a great place where kids can come together after school.

Registration is due Oct. 26. Financial assistance forms and registration forms are available in the office of participating schools, the YMCA office in Beverly Hills and online at www.ymcasuncoast.org. To apply for financial assistance through the YMCA to receive a scholarship, call

the administration office at (352) 637-0132.

The following schools will host the next session:

- Central Ridge Elementary — flag football and cheerleading (Tuesdays)
Citrus Springs Elementary — flag football and cheerleading (Mondays)
Floral City Elementary — art (Mondays); flag football and cheerleading (Wednesdays)
Forest Ridge Elementary — art, flag football and cheerleading (Wednesdays)
Inverness Primary — flag football and cheerleading (Mondays); art (Thursdays)
Lecanto Primary — flag football and cheerleading (Thursdays)
Pleasant Grove Elementary — flag football and cheerleading (Tuesdays)
Homosassa Elementary — flag football and cheerleading (Thursdays)

Sports BRIEFS

Football players, program receive money



Mitch Kilpatrick



Heath Hernandez

The Rivalry Series not only celebrates high school football, it embraces excitement, tradition and history. In the Rivalry series, host team Citrus received a donation for its football program. Two college scholarships also are awarded to a player from each team in the rivalry. Receiving scholarships this year were Citrus High School senior Mitch Kilpatrick and Lecanto High School senior Heath Hernandez.

The Great American Rivalry Series game was Sept. 23. It strives to preserve the integrity of amateur sports and to bring every player something to remember for the rest of their lives.

For more information about the program, visit www.ihigh.com/greatamericanrivalries/article_1299.html.

Granderson, Burnett help Yankees beat Tigers 10-1

DETROIT — Curtis Granderson made two spectacular catches against his former team and A.J. Burnett came through when the Yankees needed him most, leading New York past the Detroit Tigers 10-1 Tuesday night to send their AL playoff series back to the Bronx for a decisive Game 5.

Granderson also had an RBI double and New York broke it open with six runs in the eighth. Shaky all season, Burnett started only because Game 1 was suspended by rain Friday. He was in trouble in the first after loading the bases on walks but Granderson made a leaping grab of Don Kelly's line drive in center field, preventing at least three runs.

Sixth annual Skip Hudson Golf Tournament next weekend

American Legion Post 155 will host the sixth annual Skip Hudson Golf Tournament on Oct. 15 at Seven Rivers Golf and Country Club in honor of the late Citrus County commissioner and fellow American Legion Post 155 Legionnaire.

ENTERTAINMENT

CITRUS COUNTY CHRONICLE

Spotlight on PEOPLE

Keys to write for Broadway show

NEW YORK — Not content simply to follow Jay-Z and Will Smith into the world of Broadway producers, Alicia Keys will also compose original music for the upcoming production of "Stick Fly" on the Great White Way.

Producers said Tuesday that the musician and singer, whose hits include "Fallin'" and "A Woman's Worth," will offer her songwriting to the play by Lydia R. Diamond. Performances begin Nov. 18 at the Cort Theatre.

Keys already had signed on to help produce the work. Previously, Jay-Z, Will Smith and wife Jada Pinkett Smith helped produce the musical "Fela!"

Cowell regrets lofty projection

NEW YORK — Simon Cowell acknowledges that he regrets saying ratings less than 20 million for the U.S. version of "The X Factor" would be a failure.

The show's September debut earned 12.5 million viewers, which was less than the premiere of the comedy "Modern Family," the leader of the night with 14.5 million viewers. "The X Factor" held those numbers for the second episode. In week two, ratings hovered around 12 million viewers for each episode.

"I'm not going to lie. I wanted 20 million when we launched," says Cowell, "but now I'm kind of back in the real world and I'm seeing this grow naturally. I'm as happy as I've ever been."

Olivia Wilde finalizes divorce

LOS ANGELES — Court records show Olivia Wilde has finalized her divorce from her husband of eight years.

A judge approved Wilde's split from documentary filmmaker Tao Ruspoli on Sept. 29. The judgment does not indicate how the former couple will divide assets. Wilde filed for divorce in March, two months after she and Ruspoli separated.

The "House" actress cited irreconcilable differences in her divorce petition. Wilde starred in "Tron: Legacy" and this summer's "Cowboys & Aliens." Ruspoli is the son of an Italian prince.

— From wire reports

Bard takes center stage



From left, The New Yorker Festival moderator Tad Friend, actress Edie Falco, actor Jeremy Irons, actor William H. Macy and actress Laura Dern are shown during a panel discussion in New York.

New Yorker Festival takes up questions about Shakespeare

Associated Press

NEW YORK — To gab, perchance to argue. Ay, there's the way to make New Yorker magazine fans happy.

And so it was a delicious moment at the annual New Yorker Festival this past weekend when Shakespeare scholar James Shapiro mused to his co-panelist, Hollywood director Roland Emmerich: "I've long been interested in why smart people say dumb things."

Shapiro may have been musing, but Emmerich was steaming. He was, after all, the target of the remarks, because of his new film contending Shakespeare did not, in fact, write the plays we attribute to him. "This is cheap," he protested. "Please. Don't say this."

What could be better than a testy debate over Shakespearean authorship to get the weekend juices flowing? Each fall, New Yorker readers compete for tickets to hear their favorite authors, actors, directors, artists and occasionally politicians — House Democratic leader Nancy Pelosi this year, for example — muse, pontificate, and yes, argue.

But there was a little something extra this time around for Shakespeare enthusiasts. Actor Ralph Fiennes flew in Sunday from London, where he's playing Prospero in "The Tempest," to screen his upcoming film version of "Coriolanus," which he directed and in which he stars.

"It's nice to see you with a nose," quipped his interviewer, New Yorker film critic Anthony Lane — a reference, of course, to Fiennes' noseless run as Voldemort in the Harry Potter films.



Actor and director Ralph Fiennes is shown during a panel discussion at the New Yorker Festival. Fiennes is currently playing Prospero in a London production of "The Tempest."

Fiennes explained how he'd been "obsessed" with "Coriolanus," which he gives a bloody and visceral rendering in his film, for a long time. And he noted that, unlike the Potter films, "Coriolanus" was not an easy sell. "People weren't jumping up and down to finance this," he said drily.

But first, on Friday, there was the advance screening of Emmerich's "Anonymous" — coincidentally also featuring Vanessa Redgrave — which posits that it was actually the Earl of Oxford who wrote those great plays.

After the screening, Shapiro, who has written a book countering such claims, took pains to say how much he liked Emmerich's other films — "Independence Day," for example. And then he drew his rapier:

"Anonymous," he said, was "factually incorrect in almost every respect."

It took a fan to break the tension. "I'm just glad there's a movie out there that deals with these issues," the fan told the panel.

As usual, most of the festival tickets — 78 percent of them — were sold out in the first half day they went on sale. Ticket buyers came from 47 states and 19 other countries or territories. One event — a reunion of cast and creators of the old Fox show "Arrested Development" — was sold out in three seconds, the magazine said.

That event actually made news, with the announcement of plans for a new show spinning off "Arrested Development," which was canceled in 2006 after just three seasons.

NBC shuts doors of 'Playboy Club'

Associated Press

NEW YORK — NBC's Playboy bunnies are being replaced by newsman Brian Williams.

The network said Tuesday that its 1960s period piece drama "The Playboy Club" is being canceled, acting less than 24 hours after the new series drew only 3.5 million people for its third episode. It's the first cancellation of the new fall TV season.

Williams' new prime-time newsmagazine, "Rock Center," will take over the 10 p.m. Eastern time slot on Mondays, starting Hal-

loween night. Reruns of the drama "Prime Suspect" will fill the hour for the next three weeks.

"The Playboy Club" started weak, with 5 million viewers for its first episode, and didn't improve.

Set in a Chicago club and evoking the era and attitude made fashionable by "Mad Men," the drama was hurt by strong competition. Both "Hawaii 5-0" on CBS and "Castle" on ABC are their networks' strongest 10 p.m. dramas, said Bill Gorman of the website TV By The Numbers. The viewership for "Castle" is up 8 percent over

the first two weeks of last year, Nielsen said.

NBC's drama drew some mixed reviews and protests by activists who tried to encourage an advertiser boycott, deeming the material inappropriate for network television.

Mike Hale of *The New York Times* wrote that the series was "an unwieldy and mostly humdrum combination of mob tale and backstage musical."

In his pan, Steve Johnson of the *Chicago Tribune* harkened back to the magazine: "Like mean people or rainy Saturdays, the Play-

boy Club is, alas, a turn-off."

Frazier Moore of The Associated Press, however, called the show "a plush escape."

Williams, NBC's top news anchor, has been assembling talent in anticipation of a fall launch. "Rock Center" will feature Harry Smith and Kate Snow as correspondents, along with Meredith Vieira, Nancy Snyderman, Richard Engle, Matt Lauer and Ann Curry.

NBC had not given the show a time slot initially but promised one would become available when one of the new shows failed.

Florida LOTTERIES

SO YOU KNOW

■ Last night's winning numbers, Page B4.

MONDAY, OCT. 3

Fantasy 5: 16 - 25 - 28 - 31 - 36
5-of-5 No winner
4-of-5 252 \$555
3-of-5 7,808 \$24.50

SUNDAY, OCT. 2

Fantasy 5: 19 - 22 - 27 - 28 - 36
5-of-5 2 winners \$89,246.98
4-of-5 231 \$124.50
3-of-5 7,060 \$11

SATURDAY, OCT. 1

Powerball: 1 - 12 - 23 - 27 - 43
Powerball: 31
5-of-5 PB No winner
5-of-5 4 winners

No Florida winner

Lotto: 6 - 9 - 16 - 24 - 31 - 42
6-of-6 No winner

5-of-6 57 \$3,373.50
4-of-6 2,802 \$55
3-of-6 51,698 \$5

Fantasy 5: 5 - 9 - 15 - 21 - 30
5-of-5 6 winners \$45,641.09

4-of-5 498 \$88.50
3-of-5 13,678 \$9

INSIDE THE NUMBERS

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

Today in HISTORY

Today is Wednesday, Oct. 5, the 278th day of 2011. There are 87 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight:

On Oct. 5, 1921, the World Series was covered on radio for the first time as Newark, N.J., station WJZ relayed reports from the Polo Grounds, where the New York Giants were facing the New York Yankees. (Although the Yankees won the opener, 3-0, the Giants won the series, 5 games to 3.)

On this date:

In 1892, the Dalton Gang, notorious for its train robberies, was practically wiped out while attempting to rob a pair of banks in Coffeyville, Kan.

In 1947, President Harry S. Truman delivered the first televised White House address as he spoke on the world food crisis.

In 1953, Earl Warren was sworn in as the 14th chief justice of the United States, succeeding Fred M. Vinson.

In 1988, Democrat Lloyd Bentsen lambasted Republican Dan Quayle during their vice-presidential debate, telling Quayle, "Senator, you're no Jack Kennedy."

Ten years ago: Tabloid photo editor Robert Stevens died from inhaled anthrax, the first of a series of anthrax cases in Florida, New York, New Jersey and Washington.

Five years ago: Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice visited Baghdad, where she warned Iraqi leaders they had limited time to settle their differences.

One year ago: Faisal Shahzad, the Pakistani immigrant who'd tried to detonate a car bomb in Times Square, accepted a life sentence from a federal judge in New York with a smirk and warned that Americans could expect more bloodshed at the hands of Muslims.

Today's Birthdays: "Family Circus" cartoonist Bill Keane is 89. The former president of the Czech Republic, Vaclav Havel, is 75. Rock singer Brian Johnson (AC/DC) is 64. Writer-producer-director Clive Barker is 59. Rock singer and famine-relief organizer Bob Geldof is 57. Actor Guy Pearce is 44. Actress Kate Winslet is 36.

Thought for Today:

"America has believed that in differentiation, not in uniformity, lies the path of progress. It acted on this belief; it has advanced human happiness, and it has prospered." — Louis D. Brandeis (1856-1941).

Today's HOROSCOPE

Birthdays: Certain groups or individuals who have never been lucky for you previously might prove to be so in coming months, in more ways than one. Treat everyone with consideration; you never know who will be doing you a favor.
Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — If you haven't been getting the exercise you know you need, take a little time to do so. You don't have to do anything exhausting; merely walking the dog could help a lot.
Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — Timing is always important, so you should pace yourself well when it comes to handling matters that depend upon the work of others. Only then can you bring all your forces into play.
Sagittarius (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — You'll operate best when you're able to just coast along, until you're required to bring the full brunt of your imagination and ingenuity to bear. Timing can be everything.
Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — If you're splitting responsi-

bilities with your spouse, make sure you get finances on your side of the ledger. Your ideas on getting fiscal are likely to be much more resourceful and clever.
Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — There could be a mystique about you that will fascinate almost everyone you deal with. This appeal makes it easier to gain the acceptance of others.
Pisces (Feb. 20-March 20) — Although it was never your intention to make others feel indebted to you, someone you recently did a favor for wants to reciprocate your kindness. Be a gracious receiver.
Aries (March 21-April 19) — You're full of bright ideas to begin with, but you might have far more than usual. Unless you jot them down the moment you conceive them, they'll vanish into the ether.
Taurus (April 20-May 20) — The only way you are likely to get anything done is to zero in on your objectives. If you don't, your head could wander all over the place, causing

you to easily get sidetracked.
Gemini (May 21-June 20) — Your ability to absorb and retain new knowledge is remarkable, especially if you're passing it on to those who need it but don't have the means to get it.
Cancer (June 21-July 22) — For good reason, people trust you and feel that it's safe to tell you things that they wouldn't tell others. This should make you proud, and inspire you to live up to their estimation of you.
Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) — Instead of seeing only the faults or weaknesses in the ideas of others, look for what is good and praiseworthy. You'll be amazed at how fast you'll gain others' support when you do so.
Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — The secret of gaining a few strides on your rivals is to put their needs on par with your own requirements. When you look for solutions for others, you'll find your own.

Science leads to success



JULIE MANCINI/Special to the Chronicle

Bob Ayton demonstrates the Ruben's Tube recently to administrators and staff at Dunnellon High School.

Dunnellon High School teacher nominated for national award for excellence

JEFF BRYAN
Riverland News

He's not Mr. Wizard, but Dunnellon High School teacher Bob Ayton is pretty close.

The seventh-year teacher at Dunnellon is a finalist for the Presidential Award for Excellence, an honor granted to only one science teacher and math teacher in each of the 50 states.

Ayton is one of three finalists from Florida up for the award. Each winner, according to the website, www.paemst.org, receives the following: A citation signed by the president of the United States; a paid

trip for two to Washington, D.C., to attend a series of recognition events and professional development opportunities; and a \$10,000 award from the National Science Foundation.

"It's just quite an honor, both for Marion County and Dunnellon High School, to be nominated in this award," said the former chemist and manager for a laboratory in Philadelphia, Penn. "It's a blessing as well.

"Just from a small school here in Florida to be recognized from one in the schools of the state, and possibly in the nation."

However, the father of three was quick to deflect the credit.

"My students see five other teachers; I could not get this honor without recognizing the other teachers in this school that complement my class as well," Ayton explained.

However, Ayton does not take credit for changing careers and relocating to Florida from his native Pennsylvania.

"I felt called by God to go into the public schools and to just really affect the lives of young men and women," he said.

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PRESIDENTIAL AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE GUIDELINES

To be eligible for the award, each nominee must meet the following criteria:

- Teach mathematics or science at the 7-12th grade level (2011 deadline) or K-6th grade level (2012 deadline) in a public or private school.
- Hold at least a bachelor's degree from an accredited institution.
- Be a full-time employee of the school or school district as determined by state and district policies, and teach K-12 students at least 50 percent of the time.
- Have at least five years of full-time, K-12 mathematics or science teaching experience prior to the 2010-2011 academic school year (2011 deadline) or prior to the 2011-2012 academic school year (2012 deadline).
- Teach in one of the 50 states or the four U.S. jurisdictions. The jurisdictions are Washington, DC; Puerto Rico; Department of Defense Schools; and the U.S. territories.
- Be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident.
- Not have received the PAEMST award at the national level in any prior competition or category.

Shelters find ways to combat Black Dog Syndrome

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Shelter workers call it the "Black Dog Syndrome": Black dogs and cats are often the last to be adopted and the first to be euthanized.

There are no statistics, but there's plenty of anecdotal evidence and many possible explanations, ranging from superstitions like the notion that black cats are bad luck, to a simple logistical problem: Black animals are hard to photograph well, and are therefore hard to advertise. To combat the problem, shelters have come up with a variety of creative measures, from reducing adoption fees to improving the quality of the photos.

"Overwhelmingly, we hear from the shelter and rescue groups that black dogs, especially the big black dogs, and black cats take longer to get adopted," said Kim Saunders, vice president of shelter outreach for Petfinder.com, the

country's largest online pet adoption database.

Some have called Black Dog Syndrome a hoax, but Inge Fricke, director of sheltering and pet care issues for the Humane Society of the United States in Washington, D.C., insists "it is not a hoax. There is definitely anecdotal evidence. There haven't been any definitive studies to absolutely prove that the phenomenon exists but it is something commonly accepted by shelter workers as truth."

Some in the adoption business think there may simply be more black dogs and cats than animals of other colors. Others think the animals may be wrongly perceived as menacing.

Mike Arms, president of the Helen Woodward Animal Center in Rancho Santa Fe, Calif., blames part of it on typecasting. "If you think of any movie with a mean, devil dog, it's always a black dog, and if you see a witch in a movie, they always have a black cat."



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Shelters will change lighting, use light colored blankets, and even dress the animals up to try to get bet-

ter photos for websites, ads and fliers, Fricke said.

"The easiest way to make a black dog look friendly is

to put it in a bright colored bandanna," Arms said.

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Lecanto students expand horizons

Summer conjures visions of students floating down river or hanging out playing

video games. And yet, summer also allows students to expand their horizons. This past summer, four Lecanto



Darrick Buettner
 guest columnist

International Baccalaureate students pursued rewarding and exciting activities.

Knowing she wanted to travel overseas, Sarah Wilker decided she could not wait until college; she wanted to travel now. So, last December she got online and researched opportunities for high school students to travel overseas. She came across CIEE, a non-profit international exchange organization, applied to visit South Korea via a scholarship program, and was accepted.

For two weeks in early August, she traveled throughout South Korea and was immersed in an exciting culture.

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Miami teachers get Race to the Top merit pay raise

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MIAMI BEACH — With laughter, tears and embraces, Miami-Dade County public school teachers were called on to a stage Monday and presented with checks of up to \$25,000 in one of the nation's first merit pay programs under Race to the Top.

Fifth-grade teacher Kristine Christie said she was "in shock" after being one of 12 teachers to accept the top prize.

"I just do my job," she said. "It's what I'm there to do."

Florida was one of 11 states and the District of Columbia to win a slice of the U.S. Department of Education's \$4.35 billion Race to the Top competition last year. In the months since, many states have moved forward with implementing new evaluations that hold teachers accountable for student performance. Districts in some of those states have also begun developing merit pay plans, but Miami-Dade

County is one of the only, if not the first, to give out the bonus checks to teachers so far.

Superintendent Alberto Carvalho said he considered it a "moral imperative" to invest in teachers, rather than spending all of its \$73 million in Race to the Top funds on technology or new student assessments.

"Do you know why you're here?" he asked the audience Monday.

Few did. They had been told to dress up and appear at Miami Beach Senior High School after

class, but did not know why. Some thought they would be meeting an important politician. Others thought it might have to do with the smaller bonus they'd received with their last paycheck, also as part of Race to the Top.

Then Carvalho told them about the merit pay plan negotiated with their union and the \$14 million they would be spending on extra bonus pay through Race to the Top this year.

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RiderCoach Trainers for the program are all experienced motorcycle operators who are nationally certified by the Motorcycle Safety Foundation.

For more information, call Continuing Education at the Citrus Campus, (352) 249-1210. For enrollment, call MTII at (877) 308-7246. The schedule is also available at www.mtii.com.

The College of Central Florida has released its July-December CF Institute Schedule.

The noncredit schedule can be viewed online at CFITraining.CF.edu and includes hundreds of classes on arts and culture, child care, computers, corporate training, driving, health care, insurance, the Internet, language, real estate and more. Printed copies are available at the Ocala Campus, 3001 S.W. College Road; Citrus Campus, 3800 S. Lecanto Highway, Lecanto; Levy Center, 114 Rodgers Blvd., Chiefland; and the Hampton Center, 1501 W. Silver Springs Blvd., Ocala. For more information, call (352) 873-5804.

Join the excitement as the Homosassa Public Library begins a new **Celebrate Reading** program from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. Tuesdays.

Celebrate Reading is a session consisting of two programs geared toward helping pre-school and elementary school-age children develop literacy

skills, improve their reading and gain a love of books.

The first program, PAWS to Read, gives children the opportunity to build confidence in their reading ability by reading aloud to a certified therapist.

The second program, Reading Pals, pairs teens and younger children together. Teens read storybooks aloud to one or two younger children at a time. Children may wish to draw or write about a story they like.

Listening to stories, talking about stories and reading aloud are great ways to improve literacy skills while having a good time. For information, call the youth librarian at (352) 628-5626.

The following classes are offered at Whispering Pines Park, Inverness; Call (352) 726-3913:

Scrapbooking: This class is from noon to 4 p.m. Tuesdays with Sherrie Geick. Bring photos and supplies. Cost is \$7.50 per class.

Cards N' Chatter at Citrus Springs Community Center, ongoing class second and fourth Tuesday; \$10 per class (three cards).

Watercolor at Citrus Springs Community Center, ongoing Tuesdays, 9 a.m.; \$10 per class.

Beginning Genealogy is a new session to meet from 10 a.m. to noon Wednesdays, Oct. 12, 19, 26 and Nov. 2 at the Whispering Pines Recreation Building. Cost is \$20 for four sessions.

MISCELLANEOUS

The Senior Learning Institute at the College of Central

Florida will host an **open house** on Friday, Oct. 14, at the Webber Center of the Ocala Campus, 3001 S.W. College Road. The open house will be held from 1 to 3 p.m. and is free.

Visitors will learn about the benefits of the Senior Learning Institute, a membership organization of learners age 50 and older. In addition to a variety of cultural and community activities, institute members enjoy regular CF student status, selecting from college-level courses without the requirement of homework and tests.

At the open house, current members and staff will share information about the organization, and faculty members will present brief overviews of upcoming classes. Refreshments will be served.

This community of learners was organized by the college in 1992 and is nationally recognized as one of the premier Plus 50 learning organizations in America. For additional information about the institute or the open house, contact Gamble at jeronegamble@cf.edu or 352-854-2322, ext. 1282.

Take Stock in Children is seeking mentors. Take Stock is a mentoring program that offers a college scholarship and the promise of hope to deserving youths in Citrus County.

Take Stock scholars join the program in the seventh or eighth grades. One of the benefits of being a scholar is having the opportunity to work with a mentor. The mentor commitment involves working with

scholars each week during regular school hours, believing in the student, and helping the student believe in themselves.

The program is actively seeking male and female role models to help support active student scholars, as well as new students who will soon be entering the program. Call Pat Lancaster, program coordinator, at (352) 422-2348 or (352) 344-0855 for more information or to sign up for training.

Students in Citrus and surrounding counties can **learn history from a veteran** when the Traveling Vietnam Memorial Wall, Florida Purple Heart Mural Memorial, Korean War Memorial, and the Moving Tribute to those who have died in the Global War on Terror and 9/11 will be on display until Sunday, Oct. 9. Escorted tours of the monuments are free to class groups from public and private schools, and homeschooled students.

The war memorials will be open to the public 24 hours a day while on display on the Holcim Property on U.S. 19, seven miles north of Crystal River, as part of the Nature Coast All Veterans Reunion. The event is hosted by American Legion Post 225, and sponsored by Holcim Corporation, the *Citrus County Chronicle*, and Military Order of the Purple Heart. Military displays will also highlight the reunion.

For more information, call Richard Hunt at (407) 579-6190, Tom Gallagher at (352) 860-1629, Lee Helscel at (352) 238-5692 or visit www.NatureCoastVeteransReunion.org.

Girl Scouts of West Central Florida (GSWCF) is **seeking troop leaders**, both men and women over age 18, to volunteer as positive adult role models for girls. In addition to troop leaders, GSWCF is seeking volunteers to fill a variety of other positions. For more information on volunteering with GSWCF, visit www.gswcf.org or contact Kristie Wiley at (813) 262-1765 or volunteer@gswcf.org.

Springs Masonic Lodge No. 378 has an ongoing program to fix **donated computers**, which are then passed on to schoolchildren who cannot afford one. The program will accept computers, printers and monitors.

Individuals or businesses who wish to donate computers are asked to call the Lodge secretary at (352) 628-0338 to arrange for pick-up.

The Clerk of the Court is in need of volunteers as **Special Service Clerks**. The clerk's office offers a wonderful educational environment and welcomes volunteer applications from students in need of Bright Future community service hours or work-study hours. All time donated is greatly appreciated and volunteering as few as two or three hours a week is a tremendous help to the clerk's office. Consider partnering with the clerk's office to meet community service requirements while volunteering as a Special Service Clerk (SSC).

SSCs are invaluable members of the clerk's office in assisting Deputy Clerks perform

many functions for the citizens of Citrus County and serve as liaisons between the clerk's office and the citizens of Citrus County.

Call the office for more information on volunteering as a Special Service Clerk. Call Tanika Clayton, human resources generalist, at (352) 341-6483 or send inquiries by e-mail to tclayton@clerk.citrus.fl.us.

Students at the College of Central Florida have the option of **renting selected textbooks**. Rented textbooks are available for less than 50 percent of the cost of purchasing a new printed textbook.

Many of the textbooks required for CF courses are available for rental at the Ocala campus bookstore, 3001 S.W. College Road, or online at www.CF.edu. Books are rented by the semester and students may highlight or mark rented books just as if they were purchased.

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AWARD

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"I was testing and producing live-saving drugs that would go on to save peoples' lives, but in education you get to have the ability to save a life in real time," Ayton said.

Principal Michelle Lewis, who wrote the letter for the nominating committee for the award, said during a discussion with faculty and staff, Ayton's name kept popping up.

"Engaging, high-performing, motivational, and enthusiastic are only a few words that describe one of the finest teachers with whom I have ever worked," Lewis wrote. "Robert Ayton is an outstanding science teacher by every measure and most deserving of being selected to receive one of the Presidential Awards for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching. His positive impact is reflected in the success of his students, the respect he has earned throughout our school district, and in the classrooms of his peers."

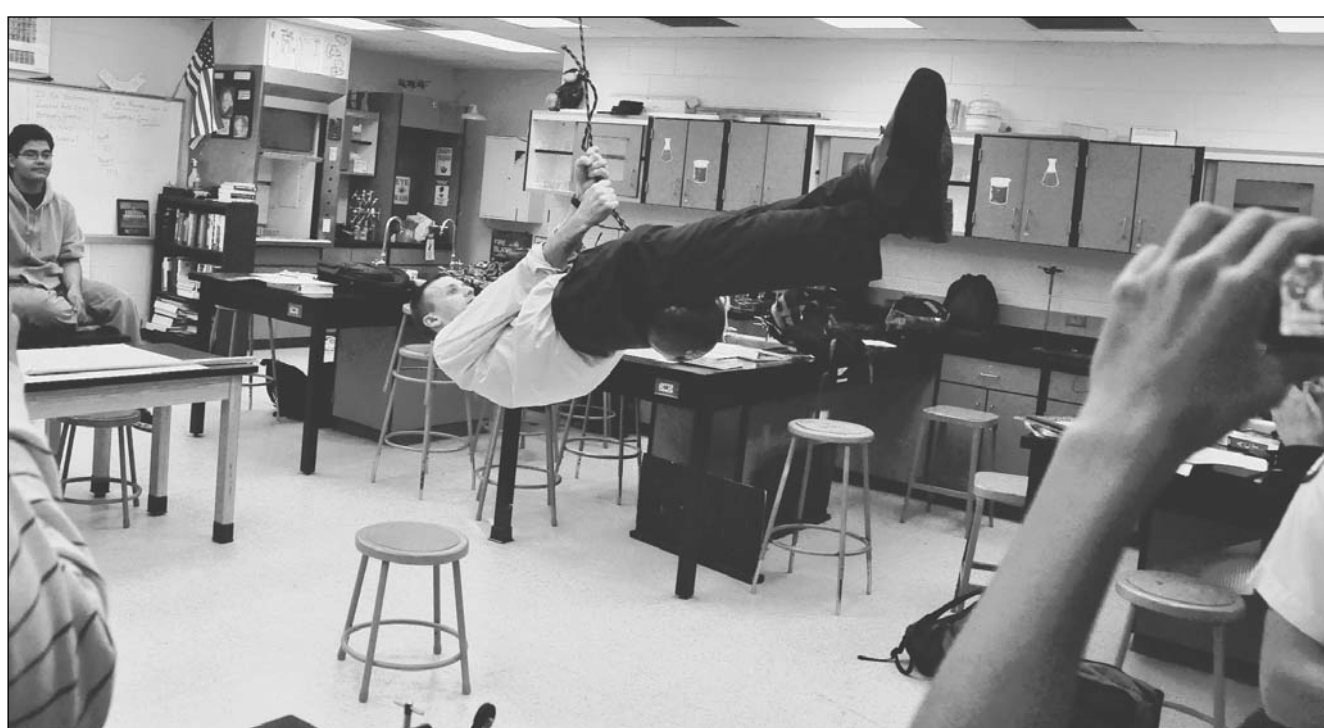
In her letter, Lewis cited many measurable examples of his success.

"The scores of his students on Advanced Placement (AP) exams in both Chemistry and Physics lead our district," she wrote. "The percentage of his AP Chemistry students who earn above a 3 on the exam outpace the next highest performing school in our district by an amazing 21 percent."

"The average score of his students on the AP Chemistry exam exceeds the average in both our district and state. The results of his AP Physics students are also impressive as their results are 17 percent higher than the district average. Although those statistics are meaningful, they become truly impressive when put in perspective with the following information: Every student in Mr. Ayton's AP Chemistry and Physics classes are required to sit for the exam; no student is excluded from testing or hand-picked; and his students are diverse with respect to ethnicity, gender, and economic status."

Lewis credited the chair of the school's science department with transforming the delivery of instruction.

"A similar impact is being felt throughout high school science classrooms in our district as he has taken on a



RAFI SAHADAT/Special to the Chronicle

Bob Ayton swings on a pendulum he made with a bowling ball during one of his classes last spring.

leadership role at that level as well," Lewis wrote. "He has played a critical role in the development of Chemistry and Physics curriculum maps. He has created a series of progress monitoring exams used in Chemistry classrooms that guide instruction and student preparation for the common end of course exam."

"He brings a deep understanding of the Physics and Chemistry disciplines and how they can be used as a vehicle to teach students to be independent problem solvers and critical thinkers. He is leading our school and our district as we strive to engage students and inspire a love of the sciences."

The nomination aside, winning isn't important as the impact he makes daily.

"Any kind of accomplishment and accolades are a result of what you get to do every single day," Ayton said. "I don't worry about winning awards, I worry about being able to build relationships with student and develop men and women of integrity and strengthen them in their academic endeavors as well."

Of course, being of the top

50 finalists, earning a trip to Washington, D.C., with a chance to shake the hand of the president of the United States certainly isn't lost on the advisor of the school's Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

"It's an opportunity to share the gospel with President Obama," he said. "I'd probably give him a Bible if I had the chance to."

MERIT

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Of the 120 teachers in the audience, all would be leaving with checks of at least \$4,000. Some would receive \$8,000 and some even \$12,000.

"Some," Carvalho said, "will leave here with \$25,000."

At that, the crowd erupted into cheers, applause and tears of joy.

"What a blessing," said Nicole Kelly, a fourth-grade gifted teacher who won \$4,000. "It's recognition. Of course, every day I

try my best. And that's what I tell my kids: 'Try your best.'" The prize, she said, "It's just the icing on the cake."

The Florida Legislature passed a merit pay bill that was signed in to law by Gov. Rick Scott in March. Under the state law, which will go into effect in 2014, teachers

will be given one of four performance ratings, 50 of which will be based on student growth on tests like the Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test.

The Florida Education Association, the statewide teachers union, has filed a lawsuit claiming the law is unconstitutional because it

changed the way teachers are paid and evaluated without going through collective bargaining.

Several states have passed laws weakening tenure and reforming how teachers are evaluated, but Florida appears to be the only state requiring merit pay statewide. Research on

how effective performance pay is in elevating student performance has been largely inconclusive.

Miami-Dade County Public Schools, the nation's fourth largest school district, is moving ahead with a merit pay plan three years before the law will go into effect.

DOG

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"Who pictures a devil dog in a yellow bandanna?"

Photographer Seth Casteel of Little Friends Photo in Los Angeles says any shelter pet can pose a photo challenge, but black ones top the list.

"I hear about Black Dog Syndrome all the time," said Casteel.

A bad picture can make a pet look sick, mysterious or even ominous, he said.

"To photograph a black dog or cat effectively, you want to capture personality, important physical traits and details and have the photo be in focus. The key is lighting and shutter speed," he said.

For years, Casteel has spent at least a day a week volunteering at shelters across the country, taking pictures of available dogs and cats of all colors.

He just launched a free, nationwide, nonprofit program called Second Chance Photos to teach volunteers how to take good photos of shelter pets. Volunteers (amateurs are welcome) can sign up at secondchancephotos.org. The program also gives shelters some ideas on ways to raise money for cameras and photo editing software.

Black pets should be photographed in the shade or on a cloudy day, not in direct sunlight, Casteel said.

"In the shade, the challenge is shutter speed. Your camera may respond by slowing down the shutter speed to achieve the proper exposure, resulting in a blurry photograph. To remedy this on a point-and-



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Seth Casteel spends at least one day a week volunteering at shelters across the country, taking pictures of available dogs and cats of all colors.

shoot camera, change your setting to 'sports mode,' which will give you a faster shutter speed and sharper photos," he said.

You can also manually set the shutter speed to 1600, he said.

"With black dogs, do your best to showcase their unique and positive personality. You can take the dog on a short run before the photo shoot so that he or she will pant, which looks like a smile," he suggested.

"A good photographer for shelter pets is worth his weight in gold," Saunders said.

"If you are thinking about adopting a dog please don't overlook black dogs. They are every bit as wonderful as lighter colored dogs, and make just as loving and faithful companions," said Alyce Russell, volunteer executive director of the Glendale Humane Society.

Some shelters hold special adoption events for black pets, with incentives like lower adoption fees and two-for-one adoption days. They also make sure the animals are taken out of their

cages to meet potential owners as a way of encouraging their adoption.

At the Helen Woodward Center, they hold "Me and My Shadow" adoption specials when they get too many black kittens, waiving the fees when a black kitten is adopted with another kitten.

Another simple factor in getting black animals adopted is making sure people can get a good look at them. A dog or cat that's been abandoned or abused may cower, and if the animal is all black, it may be hard to see inside a cage.

For years, many shelters stopped offering black cats for adoption around Halloween because some cats were being abused. But that thinking is changing.

Applicants are screened better these days, the cats have microchips and too many cats might be missing out on good forever homes, said Beth Chee at the Woodward center.

"Once we are sure that you are truly planning to make a lifelong commitment to a pet, we will accept your application," she said.

BUETTNER

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The most memorable part was her home-stay with a Korean family, where she had the freedom to explore Korea. This trip cemented Sarah's desire to return to Korea. Her personal cost for this trip was \$300.

Closer to home, Kaitlin Beranek wanted to experience her future occupation: a pediatrician. Kaitlin contacted Citrus County Dr. Komala Bhushan and shadowed her for six days. Kaitlin realized that pediatricians "deal with social issues even more than medical ones." She also saw a doctor's hectic schedule. Kaitlin said "Dr. Bhushan goes non-stop and doesn't even eat lunch." Knowing what her life will be like as

a pediatrician made Kaitlin's summer truly worthwhile.

This past June, Brandon McKinney stepped onto a plane and landed in Boston for seven weeks of summer school at Harvard University. While there, he took two courses: government and the Civil War. His Civil War professor helped Brandon edit the extended essay he wrote to fulfill his IB Diploma requirements. The highlight of his summer was "meeting friends from all over the world and exploring Boston." Would he do it again? "Absolutely, the experience opened my eyes to all the possibilities out there."

Every summer the University of Florida offers the Student Science Training Program, which gives students the opportunity to do actual research with UF professors. Shivani Patel

found out about this opportunity from her sister Pooja, and in February, began the application process. While staying on campus at Beaty Towers, she worked most days with Dr. Barbet in the pathology lab and examined tick borne disease in order to create a better vaccine. What did she learn? "I learned all about lab protocols, how to write a research paper, and a lot of biology," said Patel. "Even better, our summer college textbook is the same one I use in high school."

While next summer seems far away, students in Citrus County should begin thinking about what they could do during summer. Great opportunities abound.

Darrick Buettner is IB coordinator at Lecanto High School

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MOAA meets in Inverness

The Military Officers Association of America will meet at 11:30 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 6, at Emperor's Garden restaurant, U.S. 41 north, Inverness.

MOAA of Citrus County welcomes current, former and prospective members to its monthly meetings, which are usually on the first Thursday at Emperor's Garden. MOAA is open to current, retired for former uniformed services officers (commissioned and warrant). Spouses or widows/widowers are welcome in the MOAA Auxiliary.

Meetings start at noon, with a buffet available at 11:30 a.m. October's meeting will feature the president of the Florida Council of all Florida MOAA chapters as guest speaker.

Call Secretary Gary Runyon at (352) 563-5727 for more information.

Auxiliary plans trash, treasure sale

Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary No. 70 will have its trash and treasure sale — rain or shine — from 8 a.m. to noon Friday, Oct. 7, at the intersection of Paul Drive, Independence Avenue and U.S. 41 north of Inverness.

If you have anything that is good and clean to contribute, call Commander Linda Brice at (352) 560-3867 or Adjutant Lynn Armitage at (352) 341-5334.

Sale set for Oct. 7, 8 at church

Nature Coast Community Church, 4980 S. Suncoast Blvd. (U.S. 19), will have a sale from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Friday, Oct. 7, and Saturday, Oct. 8.

Furniture, housewares, kitchenware, collectibles, clothes, computer, Jazzy chair and more will be available.

All proceeds benefit the building fund.

Precious Paws ADOPTABLE

Shamus



Special to the Chronicle

Shamus is a Solomon Islands Electus between 7 and 10 years old. During a stressful situation he pulled many of his feathers out; most have grown back. He talks when he wants to, appears to watch TV, loves to be footloose and returns to his cage on his own. He likes macaroni and doorbells; dogs and cats are OK, but he can be jealous and will bite. He comes with his cage. A home visit is required and he will do best in a quiet adult household. If you are interested in adopting Shamus, call (352) 726-4700 and leave a message, as he cannot be seen at the Adoption Center. His foster parents will arrange for a private visit. There will be several parakeets available on Friday, Oct. 7. Precious Paws Adoption Center at Crystal River Mall is open from 4 p.m. Friday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and noon to 4 p.m. Sunday. View pets at www.preciouspawsflorida.com.

Help plants survive the cold

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Remember the past two winters? Hopefully, we will not experience such temperature extremes this year, but that doesn't mean we will not have some freezing temperatures.

It is a fact that Citrus County has nights where the temperature reaches or drops below 32 degrees. We are in an unusual geographic location — too cold for tropical plants and too warm

for many northern varieties. However, there are steps that we can take to help protect our more cold-sensitive treasures.

The October master gardener plant clinics will discuss plant cold protection. Schedule for the free clinics is:

■ Wednesday, Oct. 5: 2 p.m. at Floral City Library.

■ Tuesday, Oct. 11: 1 p.m. at Lakes Region Library, Inverness.

■ Wednesday, Oct. 12: 1:30 p.m. at

Central Ridge Library, Beverly Hills.

■ Friday, Oct. 14: 1:30 p.m. at Coastal Region Library, Crystal River.

■ Wednesday, Oct. 19: 1 p.m. at Citrus Springs Library.

■ Tuesday, Oct. 25: 2 p.m. at Homosassa Library.

In addition, master gardener volunteers will be available to address other plant questions, offer solutions to problems and address gardening concerns in general. Call (352) 527-5700.

Man's 'Journey of Faith'

Author, advocate will be special guest at Path event

Special to the Chronicle

Mike Yankoski, author and homeless advocate, will be special guest speaker at the ninth annual Harvest Hope Banquet to benefit The Path of Citrus County, Friday, Oct. 28.

The annual fundraising event will be at First Baptist Church of Crystal River on Citrus Avenue. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. with buffet dinner and program from 6 to 8:30 p.m. Dinner is hosted by Chef Hayward "Hap" Hough and his interns from Withlacoochee Technical Institute.

Several years ago, Yankoski took a semester off from college between his sophomore and junior years to do something a little uncanny.

He was homeless. For five months, in six different American cities, he and a friend named Sam intentionally ate from trash cans and at Rescue Missions, slept under bridges and panhandled in order to survive. They chose to do this not only to better understand the plight of the Amer-



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ican homeless, but more specifically to observe how the church and Christians were interacting with this despised corner of American society.

Yankoski's book, "Under the Overpass: A Journey of

Faith on the Streets of America," soon to be released as a movie, captures his journey on the streets and relates the people and experiences that forever changed his life during that five-month journey. Today,

Yankoski has a passion to push Christians to live an active lifestyle of faith, engaged with the surrounding world. He is excited to use the story of Christ's love and calling in his life to captivate and motivate Christians into deeper faith and bolder action.

He spends much of his time speaking to audiences across the United States and Canada, presenting a Christ-centered response to the world's great needs. He serves on the board of directors of World Vision U.S. and the advisory board of Kilns College.

Copies of his book will be available on a limited basis for signing. Reserve tickets early or help sponsor this special event to raise funds for The Path. Tickets are \$40 each or \$75 per couple. Sponsor a table of eight for \$275. For tickets and information, call Kathryn Sipper at (352) 527-6500, ext. 5.

To learn about The Path, visit the website at www.pathofcitrus.org.

The Path is a nonprofit agency in operation for more than a decade in Citrus County as a rescue mission: a shelter for displaced or homeless men, women and their children with a program to strengthen life skills promoting self-sufficiency. The Path now serves Marion County as a feeding program.

Learn more about Florida's cowboy history

Photojournalist will speak at museum

Special to the Chronicle

Citrus County Historical Society, Citrus County Cattlemen's Education Foundation and the Citrus County Agricultural Alliance invite all to a free program and book signing presented by Carlton Ward Jr., who will be talking and showing photos of the Florida cowboys and their important part in our history, daily life and economic impact. The educational event will be at 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 6, at Citrus County Historical Museum, One Courthouse Square.

For instance, did you know that

Floridians were the original cowboys, even before Texans? Andalusian cattle, the ancestors of the Texas longhorns, were brought to Florida by Ponce de Leon in 1521.

Ward is an environmental photojournalist from Clearwater, with graduate training in ecology and anthropology. He promotes conservation of natural environments and cultural legacies through the eye of his camera. His book is "Florida Cowboys: Keepers of the Last Frontier." His book and the exhibit currently on display at Citrus County Historical Museum celebrate the history and tradition of cat-

tle ranching in Florida.

Also hear about the Florida Wildlife Corridor Expedition, a project to connect natural lands and waters throughout peninsular Florida. On Jan. 17, Ward, also a bear biologist, conservationist and filmmaker, will start a 1,000-mile trek across a 100-day period starting in the Everglades and ending in the Okefenokee Swamp in Southeast Georgia. His purpose is to increase public awareness of the corridor.

Come enjoy the free presentation and also check out the exhibit of saddles, whips, branding irons and photos depicting the evolution of Florida cattle industry.

Call (352) 341-6427 for more information.

RSVPs due for New York Club lunch

Special to the Chronicle

The New York Club will begin meetings for the year at noon Thursday, Oct. 13, at Inverness Golf & Country Club.

Speaker will be Mary Ann Desimone from Homosassa

Springs Wildlife State Park. She will give a presentation about whooping cranes.

Menu for Oct. 13 will be salad and rolls, meat lasagna or vegetable lasagna, apple pie, coffee, tea or nonalcoholic beverage. Cost is \$12, which in-

cludes tax and tip. Write your menu choice on your check. Lunch reservations must be made by Thursday, Oct. 6.

Dues for the club are \$6 for the season: October 2011 through May 2012.

Mail check for dues and

meal to: New York Club, P.O. Box 641261, Beverly Hills, FL 34464.

All are welcome; being from New York is not a requirement to join.

Call Dot or Ed for more information about the club at (352) 527-2332.



Enjoy family-friendly comedy

Parks & Rec plans improv entertainment

Special to the Chronicle

Citrus County Parks & Recreation will present Comedy Night Saturday, Oct. 8, at Citrus Springs Community Center.

Stand-up comedians for the family-friendly show will be Rudy Mendoza and Tim Keck. There will be special appear-

ances from a few improv comedians.

Tickets are \$15 per person for appetizers and show. This includes a plate of appetizers, ice tea, coffee or tea (cash bar will be open). Tickets must be purchased in advance; there is limited seating. Doors open at 6:30 p.m.; show starts at 7 p.m.

For tickets, call (352) 465-7007 or (352) 527-7540.

News NOTES

Fall Bazaar coming up for auxiliary

The Ladies Auxiliary of Harry F. Nesbitt Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 10087 in Beverly Hills will host its inaugural Fall Bazaar from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 22, at the post.

Sale items will be new or gently used and in good working order. This is a major fundraiser and will benefit the Veterans Relief and Welfare Program that serves veterans, those in the armed forces and their families. Three attendees will win prizes in a free drawing and do not need to be present to win. Refreshments will be provided for a \$1 donation.

Tables are available to rent for a nonrefundable \$10. To reserve a table or for more information, call Bettie at (352) 746-1989.

Flu shots at Sunflower Springs

Sunflower Springs Assisted Living Community, 8733 W. Yulee Drive, Homosassa, will host B&W Rex-all Drugs to offer flu shots from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 6.

For more information, call (352) 621-8017.

Woman's club slates party, lunch

Crystal River Woman's Club will host a Military Card Party and luncheon Thursday, Oct. 6, at the clubhouse, 320 N. Citrus Ave., Crystal River.

Doors open at 11:30 a.m. Tickets are \$12 and it is recommended to make reservations for tables of four.

Tickets may be purchased by calling Lois Thomas at (352) 382-0777. Proceeds from the event will help the club's community charities.

Chorale begins rehearsals Oct. 6

Sugarmill Chorale begins concert season rehearsals for its 33rd fall season on Thursday, Oct. 6, in the choir room of the First Baptist Church in Crystal River. Rehearsals are from 7 to 9 p.m. Thursdays. Check out the complete fall schedule on the Facebook page www.facebook.com/sugarmillchorale.

Residents living anywhere in the area are invited to come and sing. New members are welcome during the first three rehearsals. You do not have to be able to read music to sing. The Chorale expectations are that you have a sense of humor, be willing to learn your music and make a commitment to rehearsals.

For more information, call the director at (352) 697-2309 or email sugarmillchoraledirector@yahoo.com.

Cruisers slate yard sale Oct. 8

Citrus County Cruisers invites the public to a yard sale from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 8, at the Wendy's parking lot in Crystal River.

All sorts of items will be available, from used fishing tackle to grandma's frying pan. The public is welcome.

Pet SPOTLIGHT

Foxie



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Long-haired calico Foxie lives in Inverness with her owner, Brenda Moser. She was adopted as an abandoned kitten nine years ago. Foxie enjoys her life with three dog friends.

WEDNESDAY EVENING OCTOBER 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, WUFT, WFLA, WFTV, WTSP, WTVT, WCJB, WCLF, WFVS, WMOR, WTTA, WACX, WTOG, WYKE, WOGX, WVEA, WXPX, etc.) listing programs and their descriptions.

PHILLIP ALDER
Newspaper Enterprise Assn.
David Letterman said, "Traffic signals in New York are just rough guidelines."
That made me think of Cairo, where few drivers seemed to worry about red traffic lights unless a policeman was standing at the junction.

Bridge
North 10-05-11
A 5 2
A K Q
K Q J 10 9
K 8 4
West: Q J 10 9 8, 9 6 4 3, A 5, Q 3
East: 7 4 3, 8 5 2, 6 3, A J 10 6 5
South: A K 6, J 10 7, 8 7 4 2, 9 7 2
Dealer: North
Vulnerable: East-West
South: 1 NT, West: Pass, North: 1 diamond, East: Pass, South: 3 NT, East: All pass
Opening lead: A Q

diamonds. His hand has no-trump written all over it, not suit play.
When South responds one no-trump, showing 6-9 (maybe a bad 10) points and no four-card major, North raises to game, hoping for the best about spades. Remember, it is partner's responsibility to cover your weak suit. If he cannot, get a better partner!
At trick one, East plays the spade three under partner's queen to deny holding the king or ace of spades.
South takes that trick and plays on diamonds. When in with his ace, how should West continue?
Since South is known to have started with both top spades, he has nine tricks ready to run: two spades, three hearts and four diamonds. The only chance is to find East with at least A-J-10-9 or A-J-10-x-x of clubs. West must shift to the club queen.

JUMBLE
Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.
OLIOG, RLCKE, DYOFNL, EMHBUL
Print your answer here: A
THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME by David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek
Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.
(Answers tomorrow)

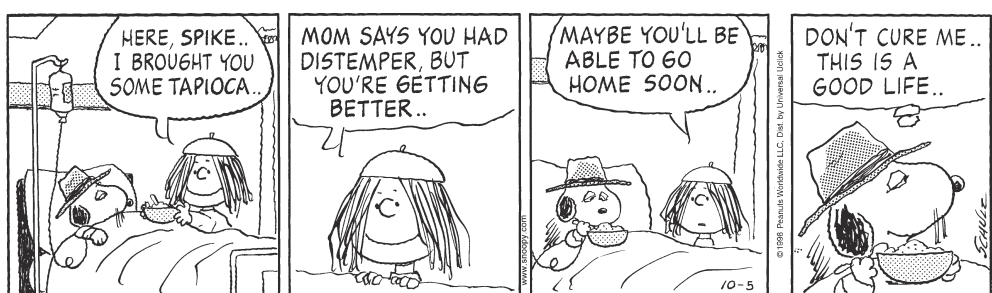
ACROSS
1 Supreme Court garb
5 Spurns a lover
10 Gentle touch
12 Less filled out
13 Batter's position in the box
14 Thinks the same
15 Bath powder
16 Wrench target
18 Annapolis grad
19 Dragster (2 wds.)
22 Rascal
25 Permit
29 Kelp
30 Bouquet tosser
32 Feel grief
33 Pounds on
34 Willing bettors
37 Is fond of
38 Dim the lights
40 Pipe bowl, maybe
43 Winter mo.
44 Texas home of Baylor University
48 Gopher - Ochoa
50 Wiped out data
52 Moseys along
53 Begrudged
54 Use inefficiently
55 Mermaids' domains
DOWN
1 Pro -
2 Like traditional epic poetry
3 Standard of excellence
4 PC button
5 Tweak the memory
6 Concerning (2 wds.)

Answer to Previous Puzzle
L I M E F O O M E M O
I D O L D A P E V I L
T A C O N I T E R E N E
P A C C I R R U S
M U L E S D I T S
O R E H O A R S E
T A I L P S I S H U E
E L S E I A N T A S K
A G E N D A W E E
M I K E P O N D S
R A R I T Y J E T
A L O E W H I S T L E D
M T N S C A V E Y R E
P S S T A T E R E E F
7 Mortgage, e.g.
8 Jeans go-withs
9 Almost grads
10 Neb. time
11 Posted a parcel
12 Relay-race need
17 Suffix for forfeit
20 Blossomed forth
21 Putter with
22 Well-known uncle
23 Thicken, as cream
24 Water, in Baja
26 Sudden inspiration (2 wds.)
27 Part of a chain
28 Verge
31 Winding curve
35 Hindu princes
36 Mexican Mrs.
39 Trencher's perch
40 Deep sleep
41 Poets' eyes
42 Martial arts rank
45 Great Wall locale
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47 Peculiar
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49 Before marriage
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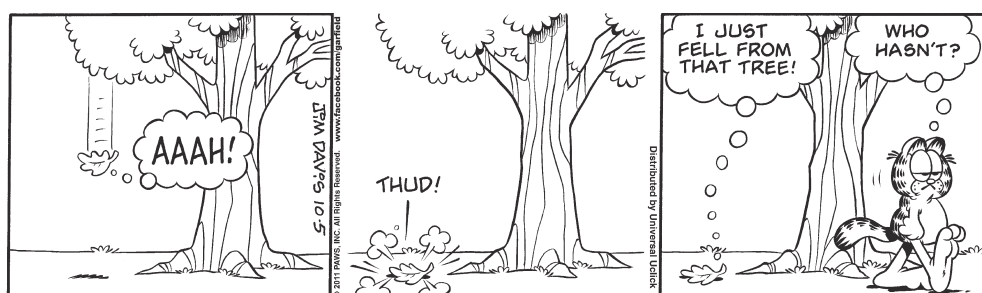
Dear Annie: I would like to know the proper way to dispose of pain medications when a loved one passes away.
Quite recently, my sister's friend's husband died from cancer. Two days later, my sister and her friend were trying to sell his unused Oxycontin and morphine. I find this appalling.
I have read that it is not wise to flush the meds down the toilet because it affects our drinking water. So, please tell us the proper way of disposal. - Confused in My State
Dear Confused: How nice that your sister wants to be a drug pusher.
Studies have found traces of painkillers, estrogen, antidepressants, blood-pressure medicines and other pharmaceuticals in water samples. The medications you cite are classified as controlled substances and cannot be legally donated or dispensed. Unless the labeling specifically says to flush them, the DEA does not recommend sending any medications down the toilet. Instead, it encourages bringing unwanted medications to community take-back collections.
Readers can check with their pharmacy for drug recycling or community take-back programs. If there are no such programs near you, contact your state and local waste management authorities. Unused medications can also be ground up or dissolved in

a small amount of water or alcohol, and mixed with coffee grounds or kitty litter, and then put in a small sealable plastic bag and hidden in the trash.
Please help your sister get rid of these medications properly before she gets arrested.
Dear Annie: I am a doctor working in a medium-sized medical practice. It was a great place to work until we hired "Dr. Judy," an aggressive physician who tried to get others fired. When she disappeared, she abruptly left, taking a lot of staff with her. She set up shop a few miles away and is actively recruiting our clients.
One of the other doctors on our staff went on disability and instead of returning to us, went to work for Dr. Judy, saying the hours were shorter and there would be less stress. This same doctor is getting married next month. The owner of our practice was extremely disappointed that she left us and decided not to attend the wedding. However, I have remained good friends with her.
Should I attend her wedding, possibly offending my colleague whom I respect a great deal? Or should I politely decline and send a gift? - Not Sure What To Do
Dear Not Sure: Your colleague has not given you any ultimatums and isn't likely to do anything to antagonize those physicians who are still loyal to the practice. You are entitled to have a life outside of the office. If you want to attend the wedding, by all means go.
Dear Annie: I read the letter from "Lonesome," the 65-year-old single woman who complained that she didn't have any friends to shop or have lunch with. I was doing OK with that letter until she said, "Senior groups are 10 years too old for me." It's no wonder she has no friends.
I'm 60. One of my best friends died last year at the age of 87. I knew her for four years and was lucky to know her. It did not matter how old she was. She had a great sense of humor and was full of life. Every precious minute I spent with her was a gift. Maybe "Lonesome" should rethink what it means to be a friend. - Honored To Have Known Her
Dear Honored: We completely agree that age should not be a factor in choosing one's friends. Whether older or younger, one can find shared interests and true camaraderie.
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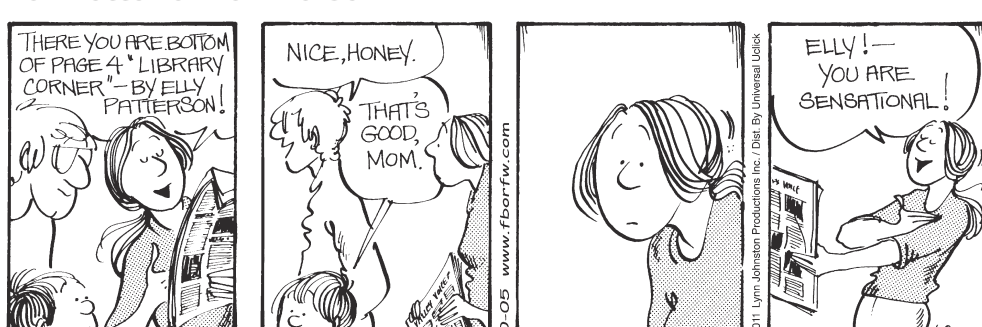
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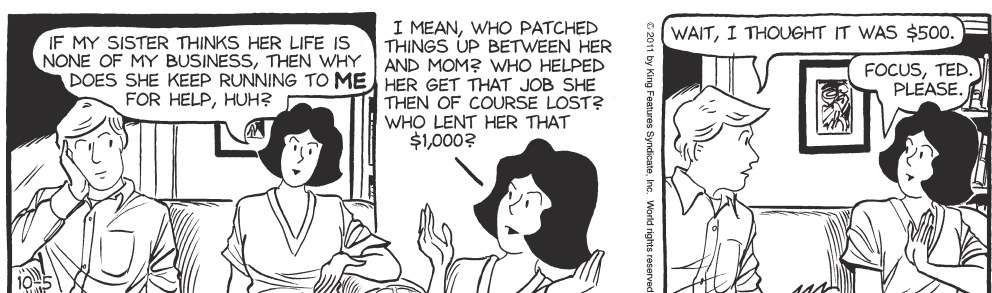
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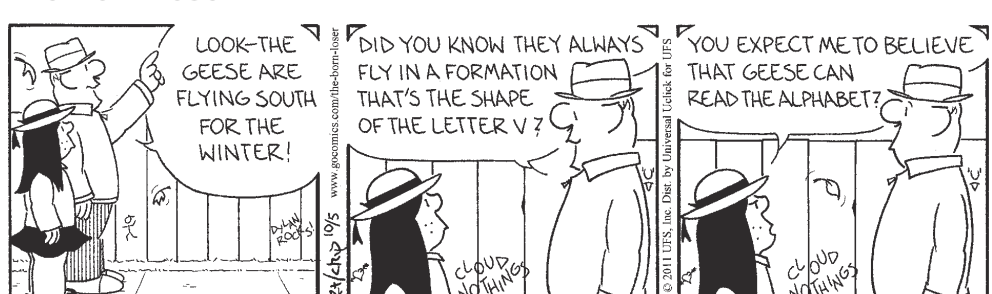
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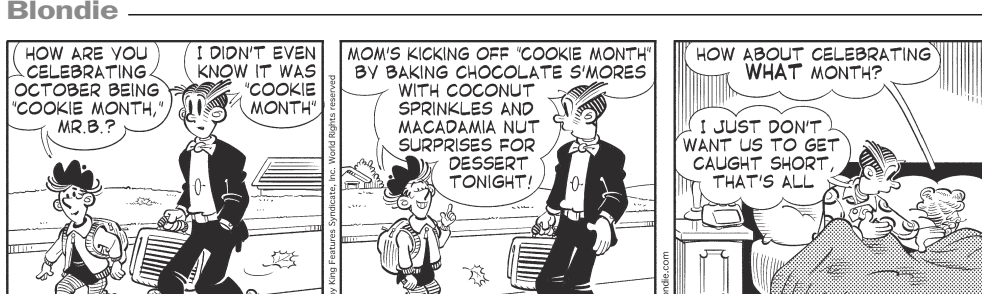
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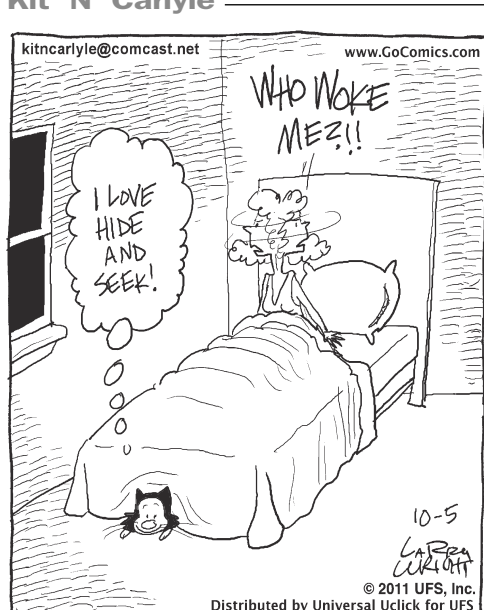
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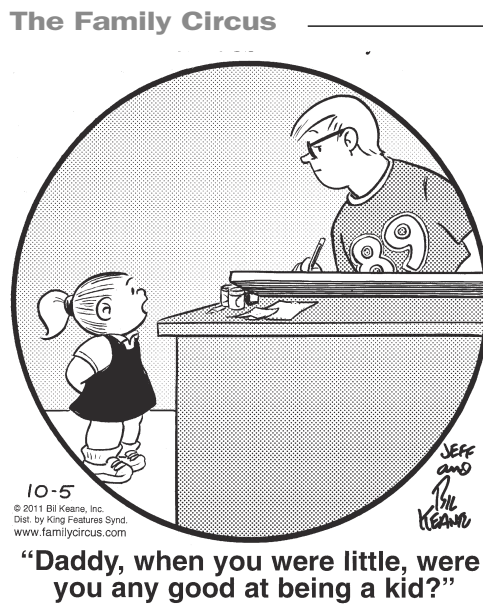
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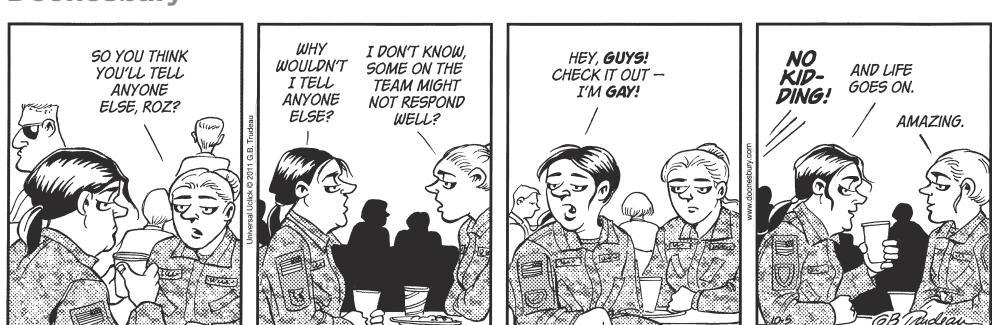
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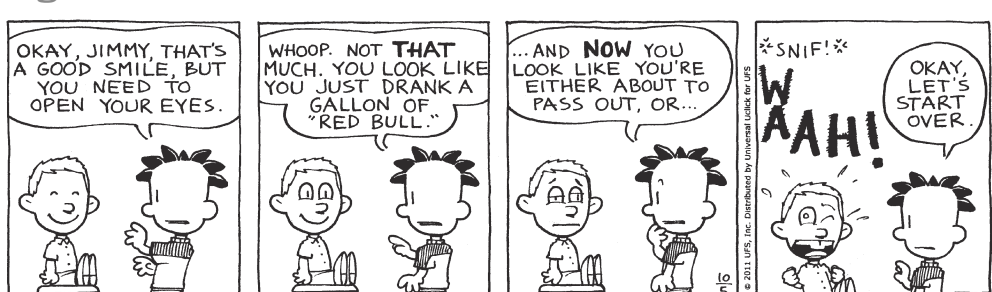
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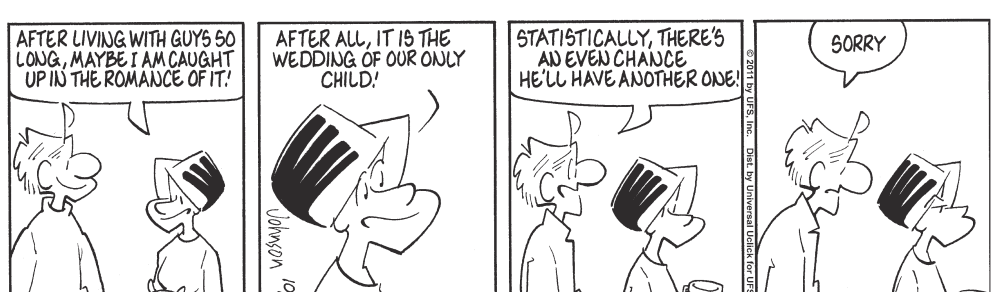
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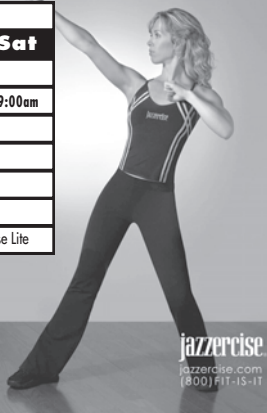


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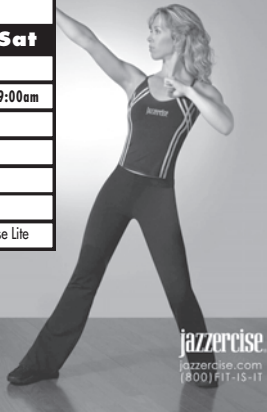


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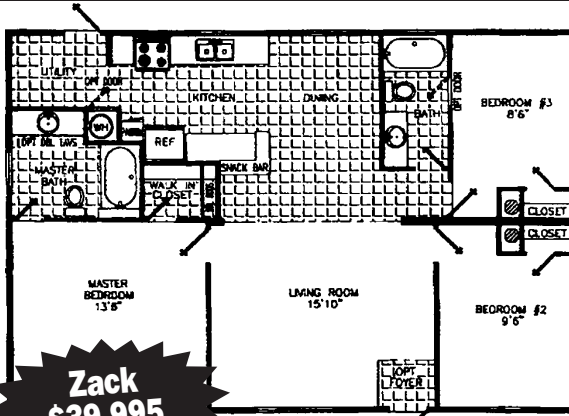
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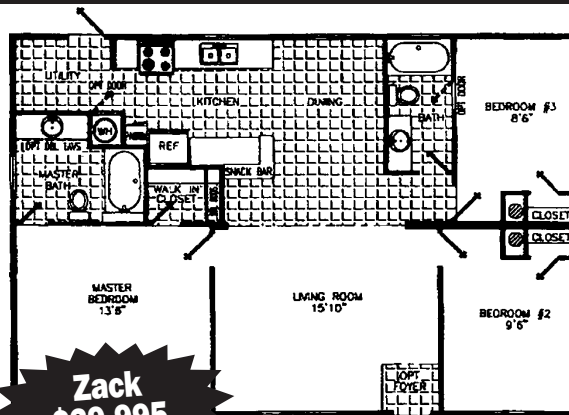
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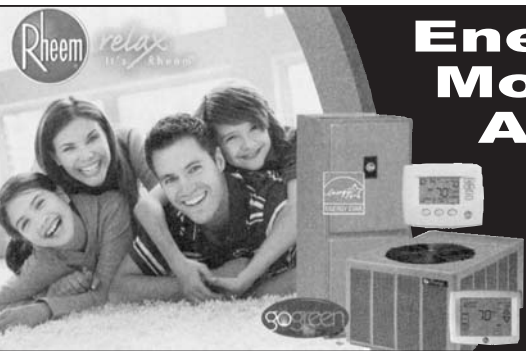
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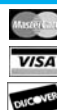
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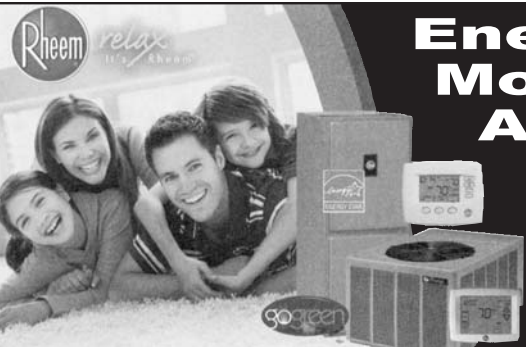
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