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NEWS BRIEF



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Crystal River branch offices are moving to the West Citrus Government Center at 1540 N. Meadowcrest Blvd. in Crystal River.

Dates set for government office move

The Crystal River branch offices of the tax collector, property appraiser, clerk of circuit courts and supervisor of elections soon will relocate to the West Citrus Government Center at 1540 N. Meadowcrest Blvd., Crystal River.

Meadowcrest is about four miles east of U.S. 19 in Crystal River on State Road 44 (Gulf to Lake Highway).

Business in the current offices on U.S. 19 in Crystal River will continue until Jan. 11. Those offices will close permanently on Jan. 12. The new offices in Meadowcrest will open on Jan. 17.

During the transition, government services will be available at offices in Inverness. Anyone requiring assistance during the closure should call the Citrus County Courthouse at 352-341-6400. As always, in case of an emergency, call 911.

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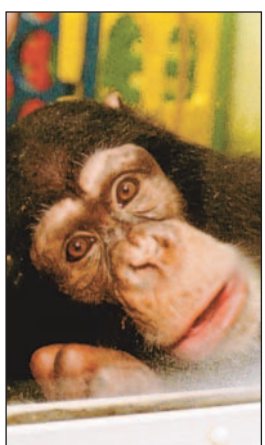
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Feds reject Duke-Progress deal

Action delays merger of utilities

CHRIS VAN ORMER Staff Writer

RALEIGH, N.C. — Federal regulators are blocking Duke Energy's planned acquisition of Progress Energy to form the country's largest electric company, ruling the companies haven't done enough to protect competition in their North Carolina and South Carolina home markets.

The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) had scheduled a Thursday hearing on

changes to the merger plans in Washington, but regulators surprised the utilities late Wednesday by rejecting the companies' solution to protect competition.

"We are surprised by FERC's decision today to reject the merger plan," Rob Sumner, Progress Energy Florida spokesman in St. Petersburg, told the Chronicle on Thursday. "We are evaluating the order to determine its impact on our schedule and the integration program, and then we will determine our next step."

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Rob Sumner

Progress Energy Florida spokesman about the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's rejection of a market-mitigation proposal between Duke Energy and Progress Energy.

In Citrus County, the move also surprised business leaders, whose concern is pinned to the continued successful operation of the Crystal River Nuclear Power Plant,

owned by Progress Energy Florida.

"We have been big supporters of the merger between Progress Energy and Duke Energy," said John Siefert, executive director of

the Citrus County Economic Development Council. "And we continue to support them in hope they can work with the regulators to resolve the matter."

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The long march home



DAVE SIGLER/Chronicle

Army Chief Warrant Officer Aaron A. Weaver was the first Citrus County casualty of the Iraq war in January of 2004. His brother, Ryan Weaver, couldn't control his emotions during the public funeral ceremony at Citrus High School to honor the fallen hero. Weaver was killed when the helicopter he was riding in was shot down outside of Fallujah in Iraq.

Reactions mixed on announcement that U.S. combat troop involvement has ended in Iraq

NANCY KENNEDY Staff Writer

No one would disagree that war is terrible.

Even so, Thursday's announcement by Defense Secretary Leon Panetta that U.S. combat troop involvement in Iraq had come to an end brought mixed reactions to a number of local county residents.

Citrus County Commissioner and former Marine John "JJ" Kenney bristled at the words "the war is over."

"Don't get me wrong, I'm glad that our troops are coming out of there, but the mission's not done, not until the entire Taliban operation is wiped out from the face of the Earth," he said. "I make no ex-

cuses for what I believe — I'd rather fight them there than here."

Barbara Mills, whose son, Kevin, joined the Navy in 2000 and served on a special detail in Iraq in 2006, said she, too, has mixed feelings — "good, bad and ugly."

Mills heads Operation Welcome Home, a volunteer support agency for military troops overseas. Currently, Mills' son is stationed in England.

"I'm sad that we had to lose so many of our soldiers and that we have so many that have been physically and mentally disabled because of this war," she said. "I am glad our soldiers are coming home and won't have to deal with multiple tours over there anymore. I know we have done more

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Formal end of war comes with little fanfare

Associated Press

BAGHDAD — There was no "Mission Accomplished" banner. No victory parade down the center of this capital scarred by nearly nine years of war. No crowds of cheering Iraqis grateful for liberation from Saddam Hussein.

It took the U.S. military just 45 minutes Thursday to declare an end to its war in Iraq with a businesslike closing ceremony behind concrete blast walls in a fortified compound at Baghdad International Airport. The flag used by U.S. forces in Iraq was lowered and boxed up. On the chairs — nearly empty of Iraqis — were tags that listed not only the name of the assigned VIP, but the bunker to rush to in case of an attack.

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Lawsuit alleges Medicare fraud at CMHS

MIKE WRIGHT Staff Writer

INVERNESS — A former business manager at Citrus Memorial Health System has filed a federal lawsuit against the hospital claiming \$7 million in Medicare fraud.

Randy Stein, director of hospital business services from October 2008 until June 2010, claims the hospital routinely billed Medicare for "observation" services even if those services occurred outside a 48-hour ob-

servation period when patients had not been discharged or formally admitted to the hospital.

Stein said the hospital backdated services or treatment so that they fell into the 48-hour observation window, even though patients stayed days later.

He claims he disallowed \$200,000 in backdated billings in February and March 2010. Stein said that monthly amount was typical of the hospital's improper billing which, he said, had occurred since 2004.

Hospital chief executive officer Ryan Beaty said the allegations are nothing new.

"We researched these allegations when we first learned about them a year ago," Beaty said. "They're false."

Stein filed the lawsuit in November 2010, but it remained under seal until the U.S. government joined as a plaintiff. Bill Grant, attorney for the Citrus County Hospital Board of Trustees, said he was informed the lawsuit was unsealed a few days ago. The hospital board of

trustees, however, is not the defendant. The Citrus Memorial Health Foundation, which operates the hospital by lease with the board of trustees, is the defendant.

Stein was fired by the hospital in 2010 for undisclosed reasons. The lawsuit includes a claim that his dismissal was directly related to his calling to the attention of supervisors the billing errors.

Coincidentally, the Florida Department of Law Enforcement interviewed Stein in August 2010 during

a broad investigation of alleged wrongdoings at the hospital. The FDLE turned its findings over to the state attorney's office, which declined to file criminal charges earlier this year.

Stein came to the FDLE's attention through Grant, who said Stein contacted him in summer 2010 and said he knew of Medicare fraud that occurred at the hospital.

According to the lawsuit, the hospital billed Medicare

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Obama: honor those who fought with more than words

The following was taken from President Barack Obama's speech given at Fort Bragg, N.C. on Wednesday, as the nation prepares to make a final exit from Iraq.

"Over the last three years, nearly 150,000 U.S. troops have left Iraq. And over the next few days, a small group of American soldiers will begin the final march out of that country. Some of them are on their way back to Fort Bragg. As General Helmick said, 'They know that the last tactical road march out of Iraq will be a symbol, and they're going to be a part of history.'

"As your Commander-in-Chief, I can tell you that it will indeed be a part of history. Those last American troops will move south on desert sands, and then they will cross the border out of Iraq with their heads held high. One of the most extraordinary chapters in the

history of the American military will come to an end. Iraq's future will be in the hands of its people. America's war in Iraq will be over.

"Now, we knew this day would come. We've known it for some time. But still, there is something profound about the end of a war that has lasted so long.

"Now, nine years ago, American troops were preparing to deploy to the Persian Gulf and the possibility that they would be sent to war. Many of you were in grade school. I was a state senator. Many of the leaders now governing Iraq — including the Prime Minister — were living in exile. And since then, our efforts in Iraq have taken many twists and turns. It was a source of great controversy here at home, with patriots on both sides of the debate. But there was one constant — there was one constant: your patriotism, your com-

mitment to fulfill your mission, your abiding commitment to one another. That was constant. That did not change. That did not waiver.

"It's harder to end a war than begin one. Indeed, everything that American troops have done in Iraq — all the fighting and all the dying, the bleeding and the building, and the training and the partnering — all of it has led to this moment of success. Now, Iraq is not a perfect place. It has many challenges ahead. But we're leaving behind a sovereign, stable and self-reliant Iraq, with a representative government that was elected by its people. We're building a new partnership between our nations. And we are ending a war not with a final battle, but with a final march toward home.

"We remember the early days — the American units that streaked across the sands and skies of Iraq; the

battles from Karbala to Baghdad, American troops breaking the back of a brutal dictator in less than a month.

"We remember the grind of the insurgency — the roadside bombs, the sniper fire, the suicide attacks. From the 'triangle of death' to the fight for Ramadi; from Mosul in the north to Basra in the south — your will proved stronger than the terror of those who tried to break it.

"We remember the specter of sectarian violence — al Qaeda's attacks on mosques and pilgrims, militias that carried out campaigns of intimidation and assassinations. And in the face of ancient divisions, you stood firm to help those Iraqis who put their faith in the future.

"We remember the surge and we remember the Awakening — when the abyss of chaos turned toward the promise of recon-

ciliation. By battling and building block by block in Baghdad, by bringing tribes into the fold and partnering with the Iraqi army and police, you helped turn the tide toward peace.

"We know too well the heavy cost of this war: More than 1.5 million Americans have served in Iraq — 1.5 million. Over 30,000 Americans have been wounded, and those are only the wounds that show. Nearly 4,500 Americans made the ultimate sacrifice — including 202 fallen heroes from here at Fort Bragg — 202. So today, we pause to say a prayer for all those families who have lost their loved ones, for they are part of our broader American family. We grieve with them.

"We also know that these numbers don't tell the full story of the Iraq war — not even close. Our civilians have represented our country with skill and bravery.

Our troops have served tour after tour of duty, with precious little dwell time in between. Our Guard and Reserve units stepped up with unprecedented service. You've endured dangerous foot patrols and you've endured the pain of seeing your friends and comrades fall. You've had to be more than soldiers, sailors, airmen, Marines and Coast Guardsmen — you've also had to be diplomats and development workers and trainers and peacemakers. Through all this, you have shown why the United States military is the finest fighting force in the history of the world.

"Part of ending a war responsibly is standing by those who fought it. It's not enough to honor you with words. Words are cheap. We must do it with deeds. You stood up for America; America needs to stand up for you."

WAR

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good than bad; I just hope the people of Iraq can move forward now ... I've met one too many parents here in Citrus County that has lost a son to this war to even think that this was not worth fighting for. And I thank them all for my freedom, and will never forget them. I will do whatever I can to keep their son's name out there and never forget."

Patricia Flanagan, whose youngest child and only son, Army Sgt. Dennis Flanagan, lost his life Jan. 20, 2006 while serving his second tour in Iraq, said she had been thinking about the news all day.

"To say the war is over is an incorrect assumption," she said. "It won't be over until all our servicemen and women are not in Iraq. We still have (military) people in Japan and Germany and Korea, and they're still vulnerable. Troops still come under duress. Am I happy it's over? Yes, but I wish it were completely done and every single person is home."

Likewise, for Mike Weaver, father of U.S. Army Ranger, Chief Warrant Officer 2 Aaron Weaver, the news is bittersweet.

"I'm glad it's over," he said. "I had a bunch of youngins



ABOVE: U.S. Army Sgt. Robert Surber was killed in Iraq in June, 2007. RIGHT: United States Army Sgt. Dennis Flanagan was killed in Iraq in 2006.

MATTHEW BECK/Chronicle File

over there — all three of my sons are pilots and my son-in-law is a helicopter pilot; he just got back from Iraq two months ago."

His 32-year-old son, Aaron, was killed Jan. 8, 2004, when the Black Hawk helicopter he was riding in was hit by a rocket attack while he was en route to Baghdad for a medical checkup.

"My son Ryan was in Baghdad when his brother was killed in Fallujah," Weaver said.

At VFW Post 8189 in Homosassa, as the topic of conversation turned to the news that the war on that front was

officially over, Navy and Army Air Force veteran Harry Bailey said, "It's about time we got out of there. I'm glad to see our boys quit getting killed. I think we should be out of Afghanistan, too."

Sitting next to him, Lou Whitten offered that, although she doesn't want any more of our troops to lose their lives, she wasn't sure bringing everyone home is a good idea.

"It's all political," she said. "Obama's only doing this because the election's coming up."

Vietnam veteran Austin Melly said he's concerned

about the treatment of returning troops.

"We were a hated generation when we came home," he said. "The soldiers returning today are getting more re-

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spect than we got, and as Vietnam veterans, we're trying to help them get into the system with the VA and getting the help they need."

(Ret.) Col. Curt Ebitz, also a Vietnam Veteran and member of the Aaron Weaver Chapter 776 Order of the Purple Heart, said the news brings a degree of uncertainty.

"I'm very glad it's concluded," he said. "All wars

are costly in terms of the sacrifices made. However, there's a lot of uncertainty as to what's going to happen in that region. It's like the president said — it's not a final victory; it's a long march home. Unlike World War II where there was a definite victory, as with Korea and Vietnam, only time will tell whether this war and all the sacrifice was in vain."

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With that, and brief words from top U.S. officials who flew in under tight security, the U.S. drew the curtain on a war that killed 4,487 Americans, by the Pentagon's count, and more than 150,000 Iraqis.

The conflict also left another 32,000 Americans and far more Iraqis wounded, drained more than \$800 billion from the U.S. treasury and diverted resources from Afghanistan, where the Taliban and al-Qaida rebounded after their defeat in the 2001 invasion.

"To be sure the cost was high — in blood and treasure of the United States and also the Iraqi people," Defense Secretary Leon Panetta told the roughly 200 troops and others in attendance. "Those lives have not been lost in vain. They gave birth to an independent, free and sovereign Iraq."

Many Iraqis, who saw their country devastated through years of fighting, disputed that.

"With this withdrawal, the Americans are leaving behind a destroyed country," said Mariam Khazim, a member of the Shiite Muslim sect that has dominated politics since the end of Saddam's Sunni-led regime.

"The Americans did not leave modern schools or big factories behind them," said Khazim, whose father was killed when a mortar shell struck his home in Sadr City. "Instead, they left thousands of widows and orphans. The Americans did not leave a free people and country behind them."

The low-key ceremony stood in sharp contrast to the start of the war, which began March 20, 2003, with a "shock and awe" airstrike in southern Baghdad.

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Around
THE STATE

**Citrus County
 Secretary of
 Commerce visits**

A state official dropped in last week to speak with county leaders about their efforts to put people back to work.

Secretary of Commerce Gray Swoope met with County Commissioner Joe Meek, County Administrator Brad Thorpe, County Attorney Richard Wesch, Citrus County Economic Development Council Executive Director John Siefert and Citrus County Chamber of Commerce CEO Josh Wooten.

The discussion focused on such initiatives as lowered impact fees, the business development center, Port Citrus, the push to restart the Suncoast Parkway, the creation of targeted industry categories and becoming proactive in getting business and industry to move into and expand in the county.

Meek described the economic incentive programs the county now offers.

Thorpe gave a presentation about Port Citrus.

**Marmish named to
 national council**

United Way Worldwide in Alexandria, Va., has announced John Marmish,



**John
 Marmish**

United Way of Citrus County executive director, has been voted unanimously to serve a two-year term as a member of the National Professional Council (NPC).

The NPC serves as a national leadership body to shape and sustain a culture of shared values, common purpose and leadership for the 1,300-member organizations in the U.S.

Membership of the council is comprised of approximately 60 United Way chief professional officers and advises the United Way Worldwide's president and CEO on issues and trends of importance to the United Way network.

Marmish previously served on the United Way of Florida Board of Directors.

**Viewfinder change
 coming in January**

In January, the *Chronicle's* weekly television section, Viewfinder, will become optional for subscribers who receive Sunday's newspaper.

The reformatted section will include expanded movie listings, late night listings, entertaining features and more.

The cost for those wishing to receive the section is an additional 25 cents per week.

On Jan. 8 and 15, all subscribers will receive a copy of the revamped section — then, after that, those interested in continued delivery should call the Citrus County *Chronicle* Customer Service Department at 352-563-5655.

—From staff and wire reports

Yuletide cavalcade set for Sunday

Organizers looking for more Citrus Springs contestants for parade prince, princess

CATHY KAPULKA
Chronicle

CITRUS SPRINGS — Citrus Springs is holding its annual Christmas parade on Sunday Dec. 18 at 2 p.m.

The parade kicks off at the fountain on the corner of U.S. 41 N. and Citrus Springs Boulevard, traveling into Citrus Springs and

ending at Wesley Jones Park.

This year's theme is "A Family Affair."

"We're trying to get the community together the best we can," Barbara Sclafani, member of the Citrus Springs Civic Association and president of its youth committee, said.

She said a parade prince

and princess will be chosen, and, so far, only two girls have registered for the contest.

"We have no prince," she said.

The contest is free and open to children ages 4 to 8.

She said the newly crowned prince and princess would be guests of honor at the Breakfast with

Santa event at 10 a.m. Tuesday at the Citrus Springs Community Center.

Sclafani said there is no charge to participate in the parade, and trophies will be awarded.

"I want people to know it's a family event and a family affair," she added. "It's free, and let's have a good time."

For more information, contact Sclafani at 352-465-2434 or Ann Ottavio at 352-465-1191 or lottavio@bellsouth.net.

Chronicle reporter Cathy

■ **WHAT:** Citrus Springs Christmas Parade.

■ **WHEN:** 2 p.m. Sunday.

■ **WHERE:** U.S. 41 N. and Citrus Springs Boulevard to Wesley Jones Park in Citrus Springs.

■ **CONTACT:** Call 352-465-2434 or 352-465-1191.

Kapulka can be reached at 352-564-2922 or ckapulka@chronicleonline.com.

Shop, smile with a cop

SHEMIR WILES
Staff Writer

INVERNESS — Anelaine Sullivan, wearing a white Shop with a Cop T-shirt, a black ballerina skirt with hot pink polka dots over black pants and a smile bright enough to illuminate the dimly lit aisles of the Inverness Walmart Supercenter.

"What do you want to get Dad for Christmas?" her mother, Amy Oberhauser, asked as she pushed the cart with the 6-year-old hanging onto the shopping cart handlebar.

"Socks?" Anelaine replied with a question in her voice.

Deputy Tim Langer lingered in the background with a grin on his face.

"It's not about hanging with a cop," he said. "It's about interacting and giving a family a better Christmas."

About 50 children with their families turned out to participate Thursday evening in the annual Shop with a Cop event. Another 34 attended the same festivities Tuesday at the Homosassa Walmart, said Deputy Joe Faherty, who organizes the event.

The Garden Center buzzed with anticipation as law enforcement officers and emergency services personnel from the Citrus County Sheriff's Office, Citrus County Fire Rescue, Florida Highway Patrol, Nature Coast EMS and Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission paired up with their children to take them on the shopping trip of a lifetime.

Anelaine, who already had a baby doll in her cart that she got as a door prize, gravitated immediately toward a FurReal Friends newborn baby duckling toy.

From there, the excitement grew as Anelaine marveled over a toy spider, an Xbox 360 Live points card for her 15-year-old brother, a farm-themed board game (which replaced her initial choice of a game called "Pop the Pig") and "Polar Bear Express" DVD movie.

Oberhauser said she didn't tell her daughter about the special shopping trip until the day of the event. At first, she said Anelaine didn't quite understand.

"She kept saying, 'I'm gonna shop with a cop?'" the mother of two said.

But as soon as she arrived at Walmart, the excitement became so overwhelming, Anelaine couldn't even finish her Happy Meal.

Oberhauser said she believes the best part is giving her daughter the opportunity to buy gifts for her family that she can truly say came from her.

"I think it's cool she can get the items herself," she said.

And while Anelaine did a great deal of shopping for others, she made sure to get a fair share of loot



DAVE SIGLER/Chronicle

TOP: Citrus County Sheriff's Office Detective Juan Santiago helps 6-year-old Matthew Weigant shop for family Christmas presents during the Shop With A Cop event Thursday at the Inverness Walmart. Resource officers from the sheriff's office coordinate the event, and deputies and others join in to help the children have a merry Christmas.

BOTTOM: Volunteers wrap presents for all the children who took part in the Shop With A Cop program Thursday. Buried behind tables filled with gifts to be wrapped are, from left: sheriff's department employees' wives Jessica Gallant and Rebecca Green; Kara Fowler of the dispatch unit; and Pat Bergerson, staff services director.

for herself. Though she appeared attached to a soft, bouncing green ball she found in the toy section, she said the best part of Shop with the Cop was "hugging him," as she pointed her finger toward Langer.

Langer is a school resource officer who has been participating in Shop with a Cop for the past 12

years. Accompanying him was his wife, Dawn.

"Some years, it can get real emotional," she said. "There have been times I had to step away to collect myself."

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

48 suspects nabbed in child predator bust

Associated Press

TAMPA — A federal Transportation Security Administration agent, a school teacher's aide and a church treasurer were among the 48 men arrested in the latest statewide roundup of suspected online predators and child pornography traders, Florida law enforcement officials said Thursday.

The six-month investigation was the first since the Attorney General's Office cybercrime unit and the Florida Department of Law Enforcement Computer Crime Center were merged in July to coordinate efforts to catch pedophiles. FDLE Commissioner Gerald Bailey said suspects were arrested in 17 Florida counties. Around 100 cases were investigated in total, and more arrests are expected.

"We have found child predators in chat rooms, we have found child predators utilizing instant messaging, texting, on dating sites, social networks and craigslist," Bailey said. They ranged, he said, from a man living in a million-dollar house downloading child pornography to another who drove from Jacksonville to Tallahassee thinking he was going to have sex with a 13-year-old girl and her mother.

The suspects ranged in age from 15 to 55. Charges against them included possession of child pornography, unlawful use of a two-way communications device, attempted lewd and lascivious assault, sexual battery and sexual performance by a child.

Besides the state agencies joining forces, 700 local law enforcement officials were trained in the effort.

"Sexual predators are everywhere, and we had to make this a team effort," Attorney General Pam Bondi said. "It's a sad reality of the society we're living in throughout this country, but in Florida we are going to do everything in our power to put them out of business and lock them up, hopefully for the rest of their lives if possible."

Bondi advised parents to closely monitor what their children are doing on the Internet and their cell phones, because these "sickos" often appear first to be another child instigating an innocent instant message or text chat.

Citrus County Sheriff Jeff Dawsy, who represented Florida county sheriffs in the effort, said he was "sounding the alarm" to parents and others about the dangers kids can face online.

"This is the 800-pound gorilla that's coming after your little girls and little boys," Dawsy said.

And he said he had a message for child predators not arrested this time: "We're coming after you."

Arrests stem from accusations of burglary, battery

A.B. SIDIBE
Staff Writer

A man was tasered for resisting officers during his arrest in a burglary case, according to the Citrus County Sheriff's Office.

Travis Shane Powell, 26, 2813 W. Jefferson St., Inverness, is facing charges of burglary (becoming armed) and resisting an officer with violence. He was arrested Dec. 9.

According to the report, investigators received a tip about Powell's location in relation to a burglary. The deputies were reportedly let into the residence by the homeowner and announced themselves at a spare bedroom door. Powell allegedly stepped out of the bedroom and tried to run through an adjacent door. He was or-

dered to stop or be tasered, but continued his efforts to flee. He was shot with taser probes, which he attempted to remove. He was later subdued but was reportedly combative throughout the arrest process. Powell was interviewed and admitted to breaking into a home and stealing jewelry and firearms, according to the report.

Powell also told investigators about co-defendant Joshua Daniel Clayborn, 27, 680 N. Independence Hwy., Inverness, who also is facing a burglary charge. Powell said Clayborn was the driver to and from the scene of the burglary. Powell's bond was \$25,500 and Clayborn's bond was \$25,000.

Other arrests:
 ■ David Michael Cooper, 62, 2410

W. Jonquil Drive, Citrus Springs, on a charge of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon and petit theft. Cooper was arrested Dec. 9 after he allegedly threatened a 21-year-old man with a pocket knife. The man reportedly said he was examining a bike in front of a store he thought belonged to his brother and was missing. He said Cooper came out of the store and began arguing and displayed the knife and pointed it at him.

Cooper reportedly told investigators a constantly changing story about the knife and bike. While investigators were talking to Cooper and the man to whom he allegedly pointed the knife, the man's 15-year-old brother arrived on the scene. When the teen was asked to

prove the bike belonged to him, he mentioned a clicking noise one of the wheels made when spun. When investigators spun the wheel, it made that exact sound, and the teen was able to bring a receipt, owner's manual and other paperwork for the bicycle. The investigators were also able to match the receipt with Walmart records. Cooper denied stealing the bike and said it belonged to his stepson, but investigators reportedly did not find his changing stories and timelines credible. His bond was \$5,500.

■ Denelle Crystal Arbogast, 33, of Hernando, on a charge of domestic battery for reportedly striking a 37-year-old man in the face during an altercation. She was arrested Dec. 6. No bond.

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Siefert said the utility is the largest private employer in Citrus County.

"It has been very supportive of economic development in Citrus County, and we will work with them in the future," Siefert said.

Josh Wooten, president and chief executive officer of the Citrus County Chamber of Commerce, said, "as I read it, it's not a done deal. They are just rejecting the plan for mitigation. We should take a wait-and-see approach."

The federal regulators' rejection of the merger comes at a time when Progress Energy has been working toward a plan to repair cracks in the retaining wall that has caused the nuclear reactor to be kept offline for more than two years.

"In all our meetings with Progress Energy, they have told us about their commitment to Citrus County and to completing the repairs to the facilities here," Wooten said.

The FERC action is likely

The federal regulators' rejection of the merger comes at a time when Progress Energy has been working toward a plan to repair cracks in the retaining wall that has caused the nuclear reactor to be kept offline for more than two years.

to delay the merger's year-end target for completion and could require changes the companies find unattractive.

A Duke spokesman said the company was reviewing the order. He wouldn't comment about how it affects Duke's commitment to the deal.

Jefferies & Co. analyst Paul Fremont said the companies' next move will be to take a serious look at their power plants and decide which can be sold. Any proposed sale must be reviewed by state regulators, who would need guarantees that it wouldn't affect pre-negotiated power rates for utility customers.

The order will delay the deal by about three months, at least, he said. The companies also may walk away from the deal at this point, deciding that the govern-

ment was demanding too many sacrifices. "It's too early to say at this point" what will happen, Fremont said.

The federal agency in September questioned the deal's impact on customers in North and South Carolina. Regulators suggested that the companies consider a number of measures that would diminish their influence, such as selling power plants, building new transmission lines or giving up control of their transmission system to a regional operator. The companies responded last month with a plan to sell excess electricity at a fixed price to wholesale buyers in their Carolinas territories.

Regulators now say the proposal by Charlotte-based Duke and Raleigh-based Progress doesn't go far

enough.

The "mitigation proposal does not remedy the proposed transaction's adverse effects on competition," the FERC ruling said.

Duke first announced in January its plan to buy Progress for \$13.7 billion. If approved, the combined company will serve 7.1 million customers in North Carolina, South Carolina, Florida, Indiana, Ohio and Kentucky.

Duke (DUK) shares rose 12 cents to \$20.97 in premarket trading Thursday while Progress (PGN) shares added 6 cents to \$54.49.

Information from the Associated Press was used in this report. Chronicle reporter Chris Van Ormer can be reached at cvanormer@chronicleonline.com or 352-564-2916.

For the RECORD

Citrus County Sheriff's Office

Burglaries

■ A burglary to an unoccupied residence occurred at about 10 a.m. Dec. 1 in the 2400 block of N. Junclegrove Road, Inverness.

■ A burglary to an occupied residence occurred at about noon Dec. 10 in the 3600 block of S. Lake Terrace, Homosassa.

■ A burglary to a conveyance occurred at about 4 p.m. Dec. 12 in the 3100 block of W. Cypress Drive, Crystal River.

■ An attempted burglary to an occupied residence occurred at about 10:41 a.m. Dec. 14 at S. Jackson Street, Beverly Hills.

Thefts

■ An attempted grand theft (\$300 or more) occurred at about 11 a.m. Dec. 10 in the 800 block of N. Suncoast Blvd., Crystal River.

■ A grand theft (\$300 or more) occurred at about noon Dec. 13 in the 2900 block of S. Bay Berry Point, Inverness.

■ A grand theft (\$5,000 or more) was reported Dec. 14 in the 6100 block of N. Tallahassee Road, Crystal River.

■ A petit theft occurred on

Dec. 14 in the 4200 block of W. Roadrunner Court, Homosassa.

■ A petit theft occurred at about 9 a.m. Dec. 14 in the 3800 block of W. Educational Path, Lecanto.

■ An auto theft occurred at about 6:30 p.m. Dec. 14 in the 11600 block of W. Gregory Court, Homosassa.

Vandalism

■ A vandalism (\$1,000 or more) occurred at about 10:33 p.m. Dec. 14 in the 2500 block of S. Pine Ridge Ave., Homosassa.

ON THE NET

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

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SUIT

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for "observation" patient days after the allowable time had passed, and then backdated treatments and services as if they had occurred during the 48-hour observation period.

Stein took his concerns to his supervisors and then lost his job a few months later after he "was accused of violating an unrelated compliance issue," accord-

ing to the lawsuit.

In August 2010, near the same time the FDLE interviewed Stein, a Washington, D.C.-based law firm hired by the hospital provided a report that concluded no wrongdoing in Medicare billing had occurred.

Beatty also said Medicare auditors never raised any issues with the hospital's billing methods.

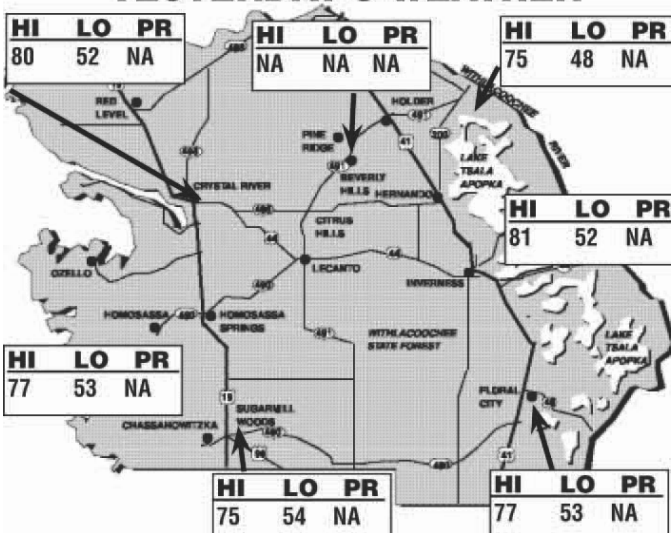
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YESTERDAY'S WEATHER



FLORIDA TEMPERATURES

City	H	L	F'cast	City	H	L	F'cast
Daytona Bch.	77	60	pc	Miami	80	70	pc
Ft. Lauderdale	78	68	pc	Ocala	78	53	pc
Fort Myers	81	60	pc	Orlando	80	61	pc
Gainesville	77	51	pc	Pensacola	74	56	pc
Homestead	79	65	pc	Sarasota	79	59	pc
Jacksonville	74	56	pc	Tallahassee	77	52	pc
Key West	78	70	pc	Tampa	79	59	pc
Lakeland	79	58	pc	Vero Beach	78	63	pc
Melbourne	79	64	pc	W. Palm Bch.	78	69	pc

MARINE OUTLOOK

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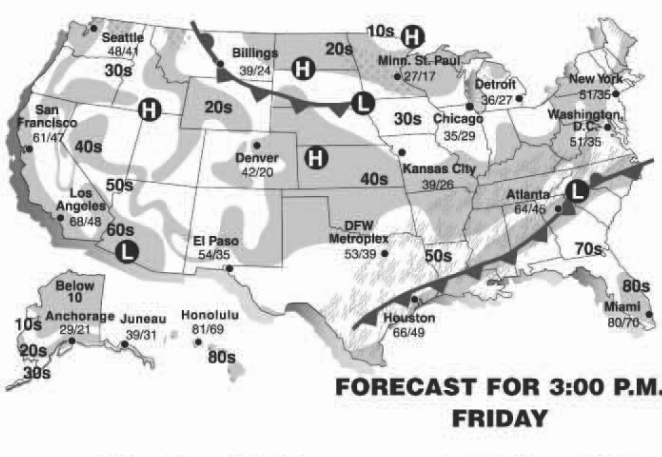
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LAKE LEVELS

Location	Wed.	Thu.	Full
Withlacoochee at Holder	27.80	27.78	35.52
Tsala Apopka-Hernando	34.95	34.92	39.25
Tsala Apopka-Inverness	37.06	37.04	40.60
Tsala Apopka-Floral City	38.93	38.91	42.40

Levels reported in feet above sea level. Flood stage for lakes are based on 2.33-year flood, the mean-annual flood which has a 43-percent chance of being equaled or exceeded in any one year. This data is obtained from the Southwest Florida Water Management District and is subject to revision. In no event will the District or the United States Geological Survey be liable for any damages arising out of the use of this data. If you have any questions you should contact the Hydrological Data Section at (352) 796-7211.

THE NATION



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Atlanta	72 48 sh 64 45	Oklahoma City	50 40 pc 49 28		
Atlantic City	60 48 pc 53 35	Omaha	36 30 pc 38 23		
Austin	70 53 .34 sh 50 45	Palm Springs	63 37 pc 66 44		
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Indianapolis	62 36 .73 s 40 26				
Jackson	75 64 .09 sh 63 41				
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Toronto	34/25/pc		
Warsaw	40/33/pc		

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Jazz at the Museum for the holidays



CATHY KAPULKA/Chronicle

LEFT: In the second performance of a four-part "Jazz at the Museum" concert series, Norman Bernard (pictured above) and the sounds of Southern Exposure play Christmas music at the Old Courthouse Heritage Museum in downtown Inverness to benefit the Citrus County Historical Society. John Grannan, president of the society, said about 120 people attended the concert. "A lot of people came because of the holidays," he said. "This building belongs to the public. I'm glad that the public can come in and enjoy it."

Toys for Tots Motorcycle Run on Saturday, Dec. 17



The gang at Mickey's Bar & Billiards at 770 N.E. 5th St. in Crystal River joined several other donors — including Cycle Solutions, The Plantation Inn, The Fireplace Store, Turf-Tech and Road Queen Motor Cycles Club — to donate money to buy 40 children's bicycles for underprivileged children and to support the annual Marine Corps Toys for Tots drive. The Toys for Tots Motorcycle Run will be Saturday, Dec. 17, and start, with kick stands up, at noon in the parking lot of the Inverness McDonald's. It will end at the Harley-Davidson of Crystal River dealership at 1 p.m. The bicycles will be distributed from 1 to 3 p.m. All motorcyclists are encouraged to participate in the Toys for Tots Bike Run. Anyone interested in riding in the event must bring a new, unwrapped toy.

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Fla. Supreme Court seeks 72 more judgeships

Funding may be tough

Associated Press

TALLAHASSEE — The Florida Supreme Court asked the Legislature on Wednesday for 72 new judgeships, but the justices didn't hold out much hope of getting them as the state faces another year of austere budgeting.

Acknowledging that adding judgeships "is an expensive proposition, especially during difficult economic times," they urged lawmakers to at least restore some of the past cuts in support staff if money is available.

While some caseloads have declined, the staff reductions and an expected increase in mortgage foreclosure cases mean the courts' workload will be increasing, the justices wrote in their unsigned, unanimous opinion.

"Our judges continue to absorb the work previously performed by magistrates, law clerks, case managers and other supplemental support staff lost in the budget reductions of the last several years," they wrote.

The justices certified a need for one appellate judge in the Lakeland-based 2nd District Court of Appeal, 23 circuit judges and 48 county judges in the annual legislative request required by the Florida Constitution.

They also asked for more judges in each of the past five budget years. The Legislature has approved no new judges during that span because of dwindling revenues.

Lawmakers again are anticipating another budget gap of up to \$2 billion in the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2012.

The courts also have had their own funding crisis because of a heavy reliance on mortgage foreclosure fees that have been declin-

ing from a self-imposed filing moratorium by lenders. That followed disclosures of fraudulent and erroneous filings.

Gov. Rick Scott twice this year approved loans totaling about \$65 million to the court system from the state's general fund because the courts' fee-based trust fund was running dry. Scott has recommended that the Legislature in the next budget pay for the courts primarily from the general fund, which is supported largely by sales and other taxes, and send the fees there instead of to the courts' trust fund. But he asked that overall court funding remain about where it is now.

While felony, delinquency and civil filings have gone down in the past year, the justices wrote that foreclosure cases are expected to increase again in the coming months.

They also note that cases involving eviction, landlord-tenant, credit card debt and personal injury protection auto insurance also are on the rise in some jurisdictions.

"The loss of civil traffic infraction hearing officers in county court continues to have an impact on county judges' workload throughout the state," the high court wrote.

The justices certified four additional circuit judges each in the 1st Circuit, which covers the western Florida Panhandle, and the 5th Circuit, which includes Lake, Citrus and Marion counties. The others are scattered through 14 other circuits.

The high court certified new county judges in 20 of the 67 counties. Miami-Dade County was certified for the biggest increase with 10, followed by Broward, six; Palm Beach, five, and Duval and Hillsborough, four each.



Elmo Boone, 90

HERNANDO

Elmo Walter Boone, 90, of Hernando, Florida, passed away on Tuesday, December 13, 2011, at Citrus Memorial hospital,



Elmo Boone

Inverness, Florida. He was born on August 7, 1921, to the late Walter J. and Effie L. (Summers) Boone. Elmo arrived in the area in 1985, coming from St. Petersburg, Florida. He was a landscaper and the oldest licensed nursery man in the state of Florida. Elmo was a U.S. Navy veteran of WWII, and a Christian. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, growing azaleas and loved the outdoors. Elmo was a "man's man," and a true Florida "cracker." He was loved and will be missed by many.

He was predeceased by wife, Billie Jean Boone; one son, Alexander Bryant Brantley; one daughter, Robyn Riordan; one brother, Melvin E. Boone; and one sister, Dora Elizabeth Skeen. He is survived by two daughters, Dona I. Boone of Hernando, Florida, and Denise E. (Tony) Antonewitz of St. Petersburg, Florida; brother, James C. Boone of Kenneth City, Florida; and two grandchildren, Amber Leigh Riordan and Alexander Anthony Antonewitz.

Private cremation arrangements under the direction of Chas. E. Davis Funeral Home with crematory, Inverness.

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Edward Hearn, 84

HERNANDO

Edward G. Hearn, 84, of Hernando, FL, died on December 13, 2011, at his home.

Edward was born on September 18, 1927, in Brooklyn, NY, the son of George and Gertrude Hearn. He was a U.S. Marine Corps veteran of World War II. Edward received his bachelor's degree from St. John's University, a judicial doctorate from Fordham University and a master's in tax accounting from New York University. He was a tax attorney for J.K. Lasser and Deloitte in New York City. Edward retired to Citrus Hills in 1995 from Scotch Plains, New Jersey. He was a member of Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church, the Citrus Hills Golf and Country Club and the Citrus Hills Computer Club.

Survivors include his wife of 55 years, Ann Hearn of Hernando, FL; daughter, Anne Skinner and her husband, Keith, of Lake Dallas, TX; sons, Edward J. Hearn of South River, NJ, and John P. Hearn of Chatham, NJ; sister, Marjorie Palmer of Dothan, AL; and three grandchildren, Brianna Hearn, Kathryn Hearn and Jeffrey Skinner.

A wake will be held from 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday, December 17, 2011, at the Heinz Funeral Home in Inverness. The Mass of Christian Burial will be offered at 11 a.m. Monday, December 19, 2011, at Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church in Inverness. Father James Johnson will preside. Interment with military honors will follow at Florida National Cemetery in Bushnell, FL. Heinz Funeral Home & Cremation, Inverness, FL.

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Obituaries

Herbert Crouch, 90

BEVERLY HILLS

Herbert L. Crouch, 90, of Beverly Hills, Florida, died Wednesday, Dec. 14, 2011.

Visitation will be from 1 to 2 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 20, 2011, with a chapel service following at Fero Funeral Home. Burial will be at Fero Memorial Gardens Cemetery. Arrangements entrusted to Fero Funeral Home.

William "Bill" Marquis, 83

HOMOSASSA

William Paul Marquis, 83, passed away on December 6, 2011.

"Bill" retired from RCA in 1988 after a long career in accounting and corporate finance and moved to Homosassa, Florida.

He was predeceased by his wife, Marilene, and son, Thomas. Survivors include his brother, David; sister, Mary Louise Palmer; daughter, Cathleen; and three grandchildren, Kristen, Cori and Dylan.

A memorial service will be Wednesday, December 21, at 2 p.m. at First United Methodist Church of Homosassa (Chapel). Bill is interred at Florida National Cemetery in Bushnell, Florida.

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Timothy Police, 52

INVERNESS

Timothy F. Police, 52, Inverness, died Dec. 13, 2011, in Inverness, Fla. Heinz Funeral Home & Cremation.

Nikki Lowe, 34

BEVERLY HILLS

Mrs. Nikki Jo Lowe, 34, of Beverly Hills, Florida, died Wednesday, December 14, 2011, in Beverly Hills. She was born January 29, 1977, in Ohio, daughter of Carl and Marianne Miller. She was a homemaker and a member of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Hernando, FL.

Mrs. Lowe was preceded in death by her husband, Richard Lowe and her father, Carl Miller. Survivors include mother, Marianne Miller; mother-in-law, Betty Faye Lowe; sister-in-law and brother-in-law, Lisa and Mike Sirochman; and nephew, Matthew Sirochman. She will be greatly missed by her family, friends and her dog, Storm. She looked forward every year to the joy of the Christmas season.

A memorial service for Nikki will be held at a later date. Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.HooperFuneralHome.com. Arrangements by the Beverly Hills Chapel of Hooper Funeral Homes & Crematory.

OBITUARIES

■ The Citrus County Chronicle's policy permits both free and paid obituaries.

■ Obituaries must be submitted by the funeral home or society in charge of arrangements.

■ Deadline is 3 p.m. for obituaries to appear in the next day's edition.

■ Phone 352-563-5660 for details.



James "Jack" Marchitto, 80

HOMOSASSA

James "Jack" Marchitto, 80, of Homosassa, died Thursday Nov. 24, 2011.

He was born in Derby, Conn., on July 16, 1931.

He is survived by his wife, Mary Marchitto; son, David Marchitto; brother, Anthony Marchitto; and niece, Lisa Pantaleo.

He was a guidance counselor for the state of Connecticut. He was a member of the American Legion Post No. 155 and a member of the West Citrus Elks Club No. 2693.

There will be a memorial service held at the Florida National Cemetery in Bushnell, Fla., at 11 a.m. on Dec. 21, 2011.

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Pauline Harris, 78

BEVERLY HILLS

Pauline Harris, 78, Beverly Hills, Fla., died Wednesday, Dec. 14, 2011. Inurnment will take place at a later date at Fero Memorial Gardens.

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Cuban-Americans eye travel limit budget amendment

Associated Press

MIAMI — Luis Damian came to the U.S. from Cuba nearly a decade ago and has never returned, nor does he frequently send money to his relatives on the island.

Still, he can't understand why Cuban-American politicians from South Florida want to roll back the ability of fellow Cuban-Americans to visit and send money to family there.

"Look, I'm going to be frank. The situation is really screwed there," said the Miami chef. "The only ones who are going to be hurt are the Cuban people."

Since taking office, President Barack Obama has allowed Cuban-Americans to visit extended family on the island as many times as they want and send unlimited remittances to relatives there. But Cuban-Americans like Damian are closely watching an amendment to the \$1 trillion-plus omnibus spending package that would return U.S. regulations to the Bush-era, when Cuban-Americans could travel to Cuba only once every three years and send just \$1,200 to immediate relatives on the island annually.

U.S. Rep. Mario Diaz-Balart, a Cuban-American Republican from Florida, has sponsored the amendment, which passed unanimously in the House Appropriations Committee earlier this year. He argues the 30 percent cut the Cuban government takes from remittances has been propping up a dictatorship, adding billions of dollars to its coffers. He also maintains people have been abusing the spirit of the

regulations by making repeated trips to sell items to Cubans that are otherwise difficult to obtain on the island.

"This is not a humanitarian issue," Diaz-Balart has told The Associated Press. "People who go there ten or fifteen times a year. It's become a business, and a very lucrative business for the Castro regime."

Damian wasn't convinced. "The government and the officials, they always have money. They will be fine," he said. "I think the politicians don't understand because they don't have relatives on the island. They've made their life here. Most of their family is here."

Older Cuban-Americans who came shortly after the revolution and have few connections to the island tend to support limited travel and remittances. They also wield significant influence in the swing state of Florida. Although increasingly in the minority, they are far more likely to vote and contribute to political campaigns than the growing number of Cubans who have come to the U.S. in the last 20 years and who generally want to help relatives on the island any way they can.

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Carrier IQ VP: We turned down FBI

FBI director testified otherwise

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — An executive at a California technology company that makes monitoring software secretly installed on 141 mil-

lion cellphones said the FBI approached the company about using its technology but was rebuffed. The disclosure came one day after FBI Director Robert Mueller assured

Congress agents "neither sought nor obtained any information" from the company, Carrier IQ.

Andrew Coward, vice president of marketing for Carrier IQ, said Thursday the company is not working with the FBI. But the acknowledgement will

likely inflame suspicion about the monitoring tool and its usefulness to the U.S. government.

Mueller told the Senate Judiciary Committee that the FBI neither sought nor obtained any information from Carrier IQ in any one of its investigations.

Settlement reached in Chinese drywall cases

Florida residents comprise more than half of affected homeowners

Associated Press

NEW ORLEANS — A Chinese drywall manufacturer has agreed to pay hundreds of millions of dollars to resolve court claims by thousands of Gulf Coast property owners who say the product corroded pipes and wires and otherwise wrecked their homes, the largest settlement of its kind so far.

The deal announced Thursday by U.S. District Judge Eldon Fallon calls for Knauf Plasterboard Tianjin Co. to create an uncapped fund to pay for repairing roughly 4,500 properties, mostly in Florida, Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama. A separate fund capped at \$30 million will pay for other types of losses, including those by people who blame drywall for health problems.

Russ Herman, a lead attorney for the plaintiffs, said the settlement is worth between \$800 million and \$1 billion, although an attorney for the Chinese company disputed that estimate.

Knauf attorney Kerry Miller said the company "decided to step up and settle these claims and do the right thing."

"They want to get this unfortunate incident behind them so they can focus on manufacturing first-class building products," he said.

Herman said around 55 percent of the people who would benefit from the settlement live in Florida. The deal would resolve cases filed in both state and federal court.

Chinese drywall was used in the construction of thousands of homes, mainly in the South, after a series of destructive hurricanes in 2005 and before the housing bubble burst. The problems it has caused range from a foul odor to corrosion of pipes and wiring.

Steven Roberts, a plaintiff who built a home in Boynton Beach, Fla., in 2005 with Knauf drywall, said the first sign of trouble was a foul odor that smelled like "bit-ter sulfur." His family didn't suspect a more serious problem until electrical appliances started failing and corrosion formed on mirrors and bathroom fixtures.

Roberts, 37, a veterinarian, said he can't afford to repair all the damage or move his wife and daughter out, so he hopes the settlement can finally end their ordeal.

Virginia homeowners also filed many claims over drywall damage, but Herman said few of them would benefit from the deal because most received their drywall from other Chinese companies that haven't responded to lawsuits.

"They're the victims, innocent victims, of corporate malfeasance," Herman said. "To them we pledge, 'Keep the faith.' Our journey does not end here."

Fallon must sign off on the settlement before any money is distributed. Although the judge could give his preliminary approval to the deal in January, it will likely take many more months for money to reach homeowners.

Knauf agreed to initially deposit \$200 million in the repairs fund, which would be replenished as needed.

Attorneys' fees and costs paid by Knauf are capped at \$160 million and will not be deducted from homeowners' shares of the settlement.

Thursday's settlement isn't the first, but it offers the most to homeowners, so far. In June, plaintiffs reached a \$55 million settlement with Banner Supply Co. — a Miami-based supplier of Chinese drywall — along with several related companies and Banner's insurers.

Last Ranger rolls off assembly line

Plant closing, workers to transfer; truck will still be sold outside U.S.

Associated Press

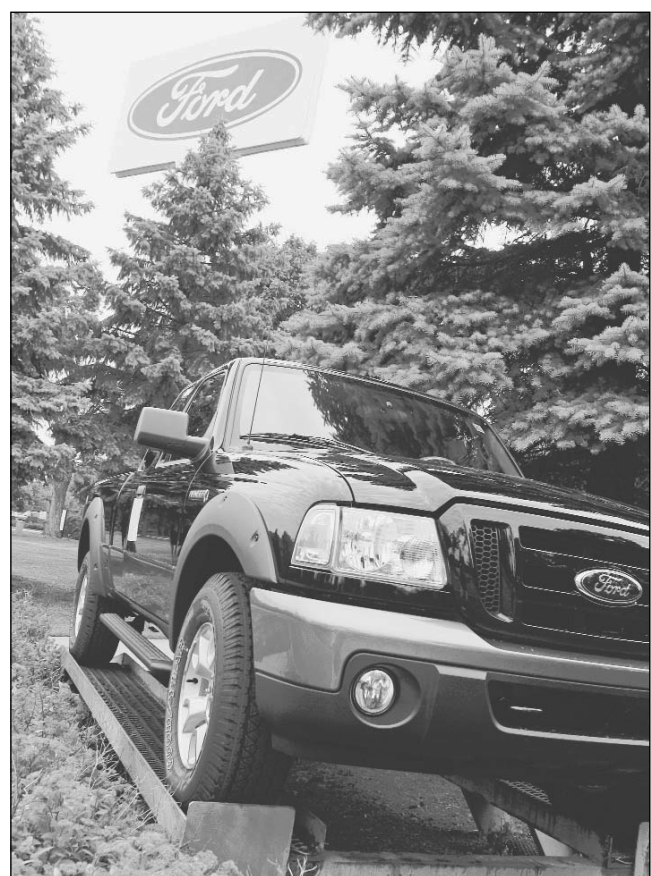
DETROIT — It's the end of the road for the Ranger in the United States.

Ford is ending production of the smallest pickup it makes, a truck that helped the company battle more fuel-efficient Japanese imports when it was launched in 1982. The last American-made Ranger rolls off the assembly line in Minnesota Friday.

After peaking in the mid-1990s, sales of the Ranger have fallen over the last decade, hurt by neglect as Ford focused on more profitable large pickups. The Ranger's styling grew stale, it lost its fuel economy edge and the price wasn't much lower than beefier siblings like the F-150.

Other companies aren't so sure it's time to ditch small pickups. Toyota Motor Corp., General Motors Co. and Nissan Motor Co. all plan to continue selling small pickups in the U.S., citing high gas prices and loyal buyers.

Still, sales of small pickups topped out at 1.2 million, or 8 percent of all vehicles sold in the U.S., in 1994, according to LMC Automotive, a consulting group. About a quarter of those were Rangers, which appealed to guys for their manly styling and zippy ride. But sales have been sliding ever since. LMC expects small pickup sales to total 297,000 this year, or 2 percent of the market.



Associated Press

A Ford Ranger pickup is displayed July 24, 2008, at the Ford Twin Cities Assembly Plant in St. Paul, Minn. The company announced Friday it plans to end production of the Ranger, which it introduced in 1982 to fight small pickups from Japan. Ford says demand for the Ranger has fallen for a decade due to cheap gas, stale styling and a sticker price that wasn't much lower than its beefier sibling, the F-150.

Vehicles need styling updates to help keep up sales. But Jim Oaks, a retired state trooper from Salem, Ohio, who runs a website for Ranger enthusiasts, says current models have almost exactly the same interior as one he bought in 1996.

Pricing has also been a problem. The Ranger started out as a cheaper alternative to bigger pickups, but as Ford added features, like upgraded transmissions or satellite radio, prices crept up. A top-of-the-line, two-door Ranger with a V6 en-

gine starts at \$22,340, or just \$600 less than a base model F-150.

Small pickups have their fuel economy edge as automakers improve the efficiency of engines in bigger trucks. The Ranger, which offers a four-cylinder engine, can get up to 27 miles per gallon on the highway. But an F-150 with a more powerful V6 can get 23.

The end of Ranger production means the closure of the St. Paul, Minn., plant where it's made. The plant has produced more than 6 million cars and trucks since 1925, when it was opened by company founder Henry Ford. Many of the plant's 800 workers will be able to transfer to other facilities, the company says.

Ford will continue to sell a new version of the Ranger outside the U.S. Those trucks will be built in Thailand, South Africa and South America.

Oaks, 44, thinks Ford will eventually reverse its decision, especially if gas prices remain high.

"The Ranger is big enough to haul stuff but small enough so that it doesn't use as much gas. It's an all-around reasonable vehicle to have," he says.

And if Ford doesn't change its mind?

"I have friends who own salvage yards," Oaks says. "I will keep buying Rangers and stockpiling parts 'til eternity."

New store's sales help Key center

Special to the Chronicle

INVERNESS — On Saturday, an upscale juniors resale store named Labels will open for business.

For the past three weeks, employees have been buying clothes to fill the store. By Saturday, the racks will be full and the items will be on sale to the public.

The store, affiliated with the Key Training Center, stocks designer brands from Abercrombie & Fitch to Forever to American Eagle. Jeans start at \$6.

Camis and tops are sorted by color to help customers select a complete outfit. Labels also carries T-shirts, dresses, shorts, shoes, purses, jewelry and accessories. Floor space is also dedicated to apparel for young adult males. An entire outfit can be purchased for \$25 or less.

Fashion-conscious teens and young adults will not only find trendy bargains at the store, they can receive cash in exchange for gently used, stylish juniors clothing and accessories.



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The grand opening of Labels, an upscale juniors resale store in the Connors Shopping Center on Tompkins Street behind the City of Inverness Government building, is Saturday, Dec. 17. Key Training Center clients are helping prepare the clothes for sale by steam cleaning them. Pictured are Andre Wade and Loretta Contento as they make sure garments are clean and wrinkle-free. The store will be open from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. For more information, call 352-419-7591.

The new, 4,000-plus-square-foot shop is in the Connors Shopping Center on Tompkins Street behind the Inverness Government Center.

The store hours Tuesday to Saturday are 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday.

Store proceeds will assist the Key Training Center, a nonprofit organization, in providing year-round services to more than 300 adults with developmental disabilities. For more information, call 352-419-7591.

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MUTUAL FUNDS

How To Read The Mutual Fund Tables

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

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

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Better manufacturing, jobs news ups stocks

NEW YORK — Investors shifted their attention from Europe to the U.S. on Thursday, pushing stocks slightly higher on good jobs and manufacturing reports. The Dow Jones industrial average rose 45.33 points, or 0.4 percent, to 11,868.81. The Dow had lost 360 points over the past three days on worries that Europe's latest plan to keep its currency union intact would fail. Jack Ablin, chief investment officer at Harris Bank, said the break from selling meant that investors are starting to focus on signs of strength in the U.S. economy. "We're not completely insulated (from Europe), but trouble there doesn't necessarily spell problems for us," he said. Before the market opened, the government reported that the number of people applying for unemployment benefits dropped sharply last week to 366,000, the fewest level since May 2008. That's a sign that layoffs are easing, a first step toward bringing down the unemployment rate, which currently stands at 8.6 percent. Investors were also encouraged by a report from the Federal Reserve of New York that its index measuring regional manufacturing jumped to the highest level since May. That was far more than economists were expecting. A similar report from the Philadelphia branch of the Fed also increased more than analysts anticipated. "The base of the economy is getting stronger," said Steven Malin, an associate at money manager Aronson Johnson Ortiz. FedEx Corp. reported that its quarterly income nearly doubled on strong growth during the holiday season. FedEx is seen as a bellwether for the economy. Its stock jumped 8 percent. The Standard & Poor's 500 rose 3.94 points, or 0.3 percent, to 1,215.76. The gains were broad. All but two of the 10 industry groups in the index rose. The two groups — technology and energy — edged down less than 0.3 percent each. The biggest gains were in utilities and health care stocks. The profits of those companies are less likely to crumble in an economic slowdown. That suggests that investors, though encouraged by the good news Thursday, were still playing it safe. "There's a defensive tone to the market," said Jeff Schwarte, a portfolio manager at Principal Global Investors. "Investors still aren't sure about the economy." The Nasdaq rose 1.70 points, less than 0.1 percent, to 2,541.01. In other corporate news, Michael Kors Holdings Ltd. jumped 21 percent to \$24.20 on its first day of trading. The initial public offering valued the fashion design company at \$3.8 billion. Novellus Systems Inc. jumped 16 percent. The semiconductor equipment maker said late Wednesday that it was being acquired by rival Lam Research Corp. Lam fell 8 percent. Rite Aid Corp. rose 3.5 percent. The drugstore chain announced that losses had narrowed in its third quarter. European markets rose slightly, a day after big declines, as an auction of Spanish government bonds drew strong demand from investors. Germany's DAX rose 1 percent; France's main stock index rose 0.6 percent. The euro rose against the dollar, moving back above \$1.30, a day after hitting an 11-month low. The yields on Spanish and Italian government fell, a sign that investors were less worried about the ability of those countries to pay back their debts.

Market watch table showing Dow Jones (+45.33), Nasdaq composite (+1.70), Standard & Poor's 500 (+3.93), Russell 2000 (+7.55) for Dec 15, 2011.

Market watch table showing NYSE diary with Advanced (+1,899), Declined (1,118), Unchanged (112), Volume (3.8 b) for Dec 15, 2011.

Business HIGHLIGHTS section with sub-sections: Job market improves, TV companies to pipe down loud ads, U.S. factory output declined in Nov., Europe's troubled banks face squeeze, Wholesale prices rose last month, 30-year loan rate ties record.

WASHINGTON — The outlook for the job market is looking brighter. Far fewer people are seeking unemployment benefits than just three months ago — a sign that layoffs are falling sharply. The number of people applying for benefits fell last week to 366,000, the fewest since May 2008. If the number stayed that low consistently, it would likely signal that hiring is strong enough to lower unemployment. The unemployment rate is now 8.6 percent. The last time applications were this low, the rate was 5.4 percent. The big question is whether fewer layoffs will translate into robust hiring. It hasn't happened yet, but some job growth has increased in recent months. PARIS — Europe's banks are being squeezed from all sides. They're holding risky government debt. They're struggling to get loans to operate. They're paying higher rates when they do borrow. And regulators want them to build bigger cushions against bad loans. The banks share the blame for Europe's debt crisis. They enabled governments to pile out too much debt. But they also provide the grease that keeps an economy running. Without them, there can be no recovery. A flurry of ominous news for Europe's banks has fueled fears about the ability of some to survive the crisis. Many are also concerned that the banks will choke off money to the continent's economy. The credit ratings of five large European banks were downgraded this week.

New York Stock Exchange table showing top gainers and losers with columns for Name, Last, Chg, and Volume.

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Antoine de Saint-Exupéry, "Wind, Sand, and Stars," 1939

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TECH PROBLEM, TECH FIX

Cell phones pose risks to motorists

It goes without saying that the National Transportation Safety Board is in the business of transportation safety.

In assessing mounting statistics on deaths and injuries related to drivers texting, emailing and employing other functions of their cell phones, the NTSB is recommending a total ban on use of the gadgets while operating a vehicle.

While it will be up to state and federal lawmakers as to whether such an action is in store, there's little disputing the carnage that has resulted from drivers' attention being diverted by cell phones.

Thirty-five states already ban texting while driving and some have completely banned cell phone use and emailing from hand-held phones.

While the NTSB is recommending that even the use of hands-free devices be banned, it is that type of technology that holds the promise for the future.

While lawmakers should consider restrictions to cell phone use by drivers, strict enforcement can't be expected to rank among law enforcement's top priorities. In addition, texting and calling from cell phones is, realistically, an activity many have a huge appetite for; it's a habit that won't be easily broken.

It is hoped that the NTSB's recommendation prods lawmakers to weigh death and injury against cell phone habits and convenience. However, the more readily hands-free, simple technology evolves, the better. If people want to do it, they will. If it minimizes distractions from the task of driving, we'll all be better off.

THE ISSUE:

Drivers using cell phones.

OUR OPINION:

Some restrictions appropriate, but enforcement tricky.

The United Way of Citrus County is trying to help feed the hungry this year and you can help. If each family in Citrus County contributed \$30 (or more), the fundraising organization could meet its goal for 2012. The United Way just gave \$50,000 to match a private \$50,000 grant to push for the completion of the food pantry in Homosassa Springs. Once completed, this pantry will provide food supplies to 51 nonprofit and church groups in our community that feed the hungry.

Do your part and mail a contribution to The United Way, c/o Gerry Mulligan, *The Chronicle*, 1624 N. Meadowcrest Blvd., Crystal River, FL 34429.

Thanks for your help.

— Gerry Mulligan

Beggars spotted

I read the paper this morning, the Sounding Off, Tuesday, Dec. 6, about the two women in the red car asking for money. It's happened to me before. I've seen them more than once: one time in front of a grocery store in Inverness; another time at a gas station in Inverness. Each time, they're going up to people and asking for money. They were also in a dark older van. I think everybody should be aware of this and keep an eye out and maybe next time we can get the tag number and turn it over to the sheriff's department.

Just say no

A person wrote in and said somebody stopped them at a store in Crystal River and asked them for help, they needed \$18 more to get their kid out of the hospital and they're all upset and said they should have got their license number. I'd like to know what they would have gotten if they'd have gotten the number. What law did that person break? She asked for some help. All you have to do is say no. She didn't break any laws, so I don't know what getting a license number's going to do. It's kind of a silly statement when you think about it. Here again, people don't think when they make these comments in Sound Off.



Scott in Israel

I would like to know why our governor has to go to Israel to talk trade. And also, I'd like to know who's paying for all this.

Spending fever

Our president wanted to keep in place a Social Security payroll tax cut, which is the only way that Social Security is funded — the one and only way — which would mean less money for Social Security. And then he wanted more money for him in taxing the rich. He's got the spending fever.

Stopping fraud

Medicare fraud could be reduced or eliminated if the patient would be required to approve by signature any charges presented for payment. Without signature, payment should be rejected. Please ask your congressman to make this happen. Who are you writing to?

I still remember

I well remember Pearl Harbor Day. Wound up celebrating my brother's birthday that day and we, a friend of ours and myself and he went down to enlist as early as possible on the Monday morning after the attack. Wound up with three or four other brothers in the service at that time for World War II, but one which was lost at sea. So, we, you know, we can well remember that.

Marriage deserves our respect

"What are you doing? You know I have a boyfriend."

The enduring image of the Herman Cain campaign may be of a woman's account of what allegedly happened in a car in 1997. Her response to him, repeated endlessly for a few days by the insatiable media, served as a snapshot of our confused culture: supposedly liberated women sending ridiculously inconsistent signals to men. If she hadn't had a boyfriend, would a grope in a car be acceptable or welcome? As sexual-revolution nemesis Mona Charen tweeted while watching Sharon Bialek made her accusation against the former Republican presidential contender, wouldn't the proper response be "Back off, you creep!"?



Kathryn Lopez
OTHER VOICES

Whether he's innocent or guilty, Cain's story is a cautionary tale for everyone with a ring on his finger and time on his hands. Cain has admitted to having what appears to have been at least an emotionally intimate relationship with (another) woman who was not his wife, which his spouse was not aware of. Alarm bells should go off, here.

Nancy and David French write honestly in their book "Home and Away" about the strains on a marriage when husband and wife are apart. David recounts of his time serving in Afghanistan: "Men were coming home on leave to find their wives gone from their houses. Other men were getting the modern equivalent of the 'Dear John' letter via Facebook message or email. Some guys discovered wives or girlfriends were pregnant, and still others were finding that their bank accounts had been looted by the very people they most trusted with their financial affairs."

Before he left, Nancy and David made rules, in a painfully honest conversation about human frailty. No drinking during the year of separation. Nancy would not "have phone conversations with men, or meaningful email exchanges about politics or any other subject." Nor would she be on Facebook where "the ghosts of boyfriends past" could contact her. When Nancy innocently started emailing with a man associated with a radio show about faith, she told David about it, and he asked her to end the relationship. David knew, with his "stomach clenching" that "the most intimate conversations a person has are about life and faith." And that "spiritual and emotional intimacy frequently leads to physical intimacy."

Separations don't only come in the form of military deployments, of course. Business and politics frequently ask for such sacrifices. Washington, D.C. is a city where married men and women, often with spouses states away, frequently find themselves attending receptions teeming with people interested in them in one way or another.

One congressional wife emphasizes: "Receptions are a danger zone. Members need to quickly learn that attending receptions is optional and there are very few they actually need to attend. ... Married members should avoid alcohol use in public and (also avoid) private conversations with single women. Do not give out or request private contact info. Staff can handle legitimate requests. Talk about the wife and kids to any and all women!"

What a difference little cautions make. I know married men

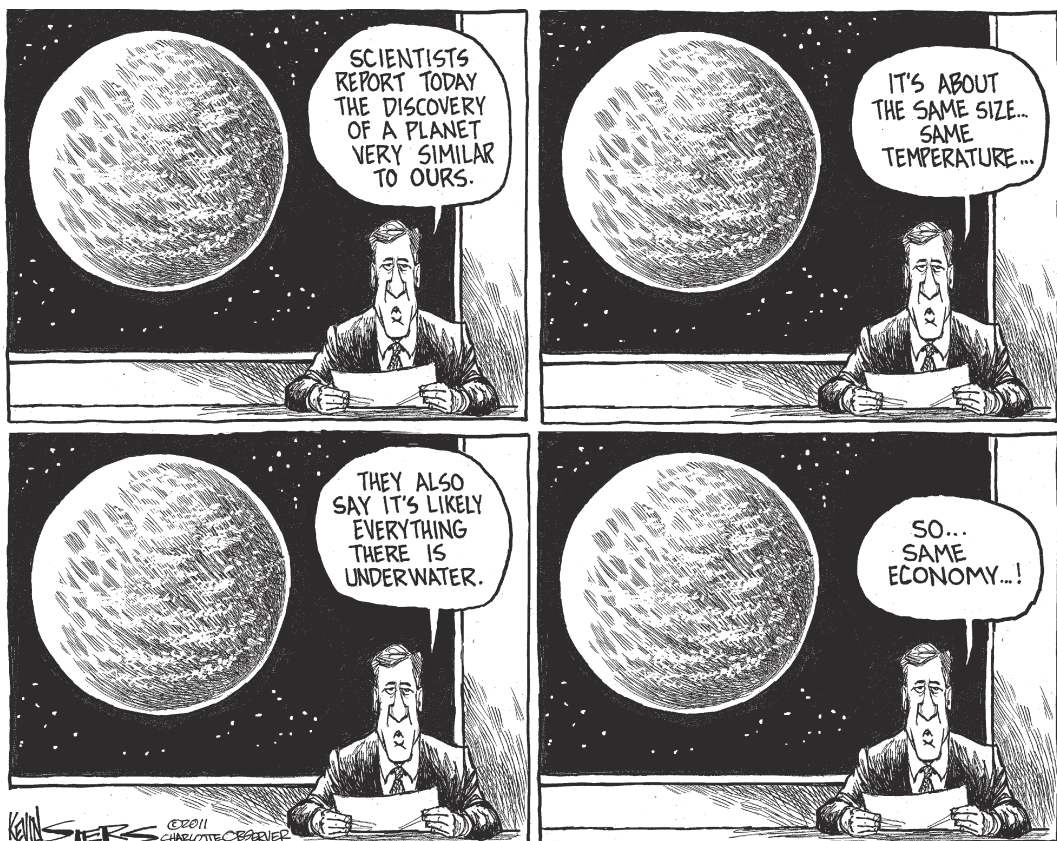
who won't have lunch alone with women who are not their wives, who won't close the office door during the most professional of conversations. It's about not just temptation, but appearances. It's a policy with added benefits, too: "It helps to insulate me against a false accusation by a woman," Mark DeMoss, author of "The Little Red Book of Wisdom," has told me.

Is all this overkill? Or perhaps an extreme but justified backlash to a culture whose mores have gone chaotic, a society that could use a little order, and some higher expectations and standards?

In his book "Men and Marriage," George Gilder writes: "Unless very securely married, virtually any man will sleep with any attractive young woman. ... In Washington, the liberated princess can sleep with senators." Though some of the "liberated princesses" have become politicians and powerful players themselves in the more than two decades since Gilder wrote that, the Cain story reminds us that our fallen nature remains, with decades of cultural confusion confounding the chaos.

A good marriage is an economic, educational and psychological blessing for children — for men and women, too, and for a culture. We are disappointed when the glimmer comes off the Cains in the world. While we may not have the same story to tell, we like that non-disgraced Republican presidential candidate Mitt Romney and his wife, Ann, have been married for 42 years. We seem to value marriage, so let's put our money where our mouth is — let's have some rules. And show the kids how to do it.

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LETTERS to the Editor

Appalling behavior

The *Chronicle's* "Hot Corner: Dog Shooting," though negatively portraying one more Citrus County deputy, was much appreciated. This sad occurrence deserved the front page as it's past time there's a serious investigation into dangerous tactics used by those we're encouraged to depend on to "serve and protect."

Deputy Nick Hesse demonstrated complete lack of training in his behavior. Jack Russell terrier "Princess" was doing her job protecting her property, which she did not leave, actively warning an intruder. Unbeknownst to this 12-pound canine, the giant human would use a deadly weapon as his first choice to protect himself against the monstrous dog.

There is no excuse for the murder of the Blackwells' beloved pet. None. A boot, a yell, mace, the nightstick — all were alternatives to firing his pistol into the chest of a dog upon whose property he was trespassing. Hesse should be relieved from duty, but I expect our sheriff will determine he was within the law, following procedure.

Sound Off callers who said "good for that deputy" because the dog "was misbehaving" and "maybe little Princess should have

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conformed to the law," apparently didn't read that Princess behaved perfectly in accordance with the law of our land. She was the smarter one in this duel between little dog and 9mm handgun.

Sadly, Princess lost her life for no good reason. I am sickened by the grief Deputy Hesse has caused the Blackwell family.

Joanie Welch
 Inverness

Christmas wishes

This is a very special time of the year for Christians and non-Christians alike, and time for all to take a serious look at our universe and all the creatures that God (Christian, Jewish, Muslim, Hindu) has given to each of us to live together in a peaceful, loving way regardless of creed or color. We all need to pray that in the future there will, indeed, be a world to live in and enjoy. Our lives are filled with too many hatreds, biases and lack of love and concern for all creatures put on this Earth by that very special someone — called whoever it is you believe in, but yet respecting the beliefs of those who may not call that special someone by your choice of name. The hatred in our world is truly alarming and seems to have increased in our great country.

Each year we dwell on what we have accomplished, where we've been and how many material things we have amassed. For the sake of all that is holy, let us put those things aside and live in peace and love.

Patricia C. Hess
 Dunnellon

L.A. baby among world's smallest

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — At birth, Melinda Star Guido was so tiny she could fit into the palm of her doctor's hand. Weighing just 9 1/2 ounces — less than a can of soda — she is among the smallest babies ever born.

Most infants her size don't survive, but doctors are preparing to send her home by New Year's.

Melinda was born prematurely at 24 weeks in late August and is believed to be the second-smallest baby to survive in the U.S. and third smallest in the world. She spent the early months cooed in an incubator in the neonatal intensive care unit in Los Angeles.

Despite hurdles, Melinda lived to her original Thursday due date. Doctors say it is too early to say how she will fare developmentally and physically when she grows up.

For now, her 22-year-old mother sits at her bedside almost every day and stays overnight whenever she can.

On Wednesday, Haydee Ibarra caressed Melinda through the portholes of the incubator where nurses pinned up a homemade sign bearing her name. Now 3 1/2 months old and weighing 4 pounds, Melinda gripped Ibarra's pinky finger and yawned.

"Melinda, Melinda," she cooed at her daughter dressed in a polka dot onesie. "You're awake today."

During her pregnancy, Ibarra suffered from high



Associated Press

Fourteen-week-old Melinda Star Guido holds her mother's little finger Wednesday while lying in an incubator at the Los Angeles County-USC Medical Center in Los Angeles. At birth, Melinda Star Guido tipped the scales at only 9 1/2 ounces. Melinda is believed to be the second smallest baby to survive in the United States and the third smallest in the world.

blood pressure. She was transferred from a hospital near her San Fernando Valley home to the county's flagship hospital, which was better equipped to handle high-risk pregnancies.

There was a problem with the placenta, the organ that nourishes the developing fetus. The fetus was not getting proper nutrition, blood and oxygen. Doctors knew Melinda would weigh less than a pound, but they were surprised at how small and fragile she was.

Even if she survived, doctors told Ibarra and her husband Yovani Guido, children born this extremely prema-

ture can have developmental delays and impairments such as blindness, deafness or cerebral palsy.

Ibarra, who previously had a stillborn, told doctors to do whatever necessary to help her baby.

"It takes a lot of good care and a lot of good luck. Most of them don't survive," said pediatrician Dr. Edward Bell of the University of Iowa, who keeps an online database of the world's smallest surviving babies who were less than a pound at birth.

The list currently contains 126 babies dating back to 1936. Since submission is voluntary, it does not repre-

sent all survivors.

Ten babies weighing less than a pound were born last year and survived. Melinda joins three other tiny survivors delivered this year in Berkeley; Seoul, South Korea; and Iowa City, Iowa. All are bigger than Melinda, who is not eligible to be listed until she gets discharged.

Melinda can breathe by herself, but still uses an oxygen tube as a precaution. On Wednesday, an ophthalmologist checked out her eyes and said everything looked good.

After the checkup, Ibarra lifted Melinda out of the incubator and sat in a rocking chair, cradling her.



Associated Press

Republican presidential candidates from left, former Pennsylvania Sen. Rick Santorum, Texas Gov. Rick Perry, former Massachusetts Gov. Mitt Romney, former House Speaker Newt Gingrich, Rep. Ron Paul, R-Texas, Rep. Michele Bachmann, R-Minn., and former Utah Gov. Jon Huntsman arrive Thursday for a Republican presidential debate in Sioux City, Iowa.

Gingrich assailed in Sioux City debate

Associated Press

SIoux CITY, Iowa — Republican presidential front-runner Newt Gingrich clashed sharply with one rival, took pains to compliment another and said it was laughable for any of them to challenge his conservative credentials Thursday night in the last campaign debate before the Jan. 3 Iowa caucuses kick off the 2012 primary season.

In a forceful attack, Minnesota Rep. Michele Bachmann said Gingrich "had his hand out and received \$1.6 million to influence senior Republicans and keep the scam going in Washington, D.C.," for Freddie Mac, a government-backed housing entity.

The clash underscored the state of race, with Gingrich atop the polls in Iowa and nationally, while Bachmann, former Massachusetts Gov. Mitt Romney and others work to overtake him before caucuses.

Former Sen. Rick Santorum of Pennsylvania, who has staked his campaign on

Iowa, recalled that Gingrich had to contend with a "conservative revolution" when he was House speaker in the 1990s.

Rather than going after Gingrich, Romney said his experience in private business made him the man to confront President Obama.

"I hope I am the Tim Tebow of the Iowa caucuses," said Texas Gov. Rick Perry, referring to the Denver Broncos quarterback.

"We're getting screwed as Americans," said former Utah Gov. Jon Huntsman, insisting he was a steadier conservative than any of the others on stage.

"Anybody up here could beat Obama," said Rep. Ron Paul of Texas.

Indeed, the big question in the opening moments of the debate went to the heart of a dilemma that could eventually settle the race: Do Republican caucus and primary voters pick a candidate with their hearts, or do they look elsewhere if they judge their favored candidate might not be able to defeat Obama?

Dutch gov't delays ban on tourists buying pot

Associated Press

AMSTERDAM — The conservative Dutch government said Thursday it is delaying plans to ban tourists from buying marijuana until at least May 2012, though it still intends to curtail the country's famed tolerance policy.

Cannabis is technically illegal in the Netherlands, but police turn a blind eye to possession of small amounts and it is sold openly in designated cafes known

euphemistically as "coffee shops." Large-scale growers are prosecuted.

Among other measures, the Cabinet wants to introduce a "weed pass" system that will allow only legal residents of the Netherlands to buy marijuana.

Justice Minister Ivo Opstelten said a test rollout in southern cities planned for January will now be delayed until May because of practical difficulties. Supporters of the idea hope it will solve problems caused by an estimated 3.9

million French, German and Belgian buyers who drive across the Dutch border annually just to purchase the drug.

Opstelten said the pass system will be applied nationwide in 2013, despite some opposition. Some southern cities have begun lobbying against the plan after academics predicted it will result in street dealers taking over the marijuana trade again — the very problem the tolerance policy was introduced three decades ago to address.

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Floral City Pool	Willows / Tallow / Tussocks /	2,4D / Garlon 3A / Glyphosate

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Nation BRIEFS

Scrolls



Associated Press
Conservators examine a portion of the Dead Sea Scrolls containing the Ten Commandments before the scrolls' installation at Discovery Times Square Thursday in New York.

Ancient scroll to be shown in NYC

NEW YORK — A well-preserved 2,000-year-old scroll of the Ten Commandments is going on display for the first time in New York City.

The tiny scroll will be shown for 10 days beginning Friday at the Discovery Times Square exhibition space before returning to Israel.

The parchment dates to between 50 B.C. and 1 A.D. It must be kept in a light-and-humidity-controlled environment to avoid deterioration. It was discovered in a cave near the Dead Sea in 1952.

Exhibit curator Risa Levitt Kohn said it's a rare opportunity to see the oldest parchment copy of the Ten Commandments.

The scroll is on display with about 900 other scrolls also discovered in caves near the Dead Sea by Bedouin shepherds between 1947 and 1956.

World BRIEFS

Arrested



Associated Press
Mario Ponce Rodríguez, from Guatemala and wanted in the U.S. on drug trafficking charges, is led Thursday by Honduran police toward a helicopter outside a maximum security prison in the city of Tegucigalpa, Honduras. Ponce was flown to the U.S. airbase in Palmerola, Honduras, and later was flown to Miami. According to Honduran police, an attempt to free Morales by seven heavily armed men driving in three armored vehicles was foiled before they could reach the prison, and all men are now under arrest.

Gadhafi death may be war crime

UNITED NATIONS — The chief prosecutor for the International Criminal Court said there are "serious suspicions" that the death of Libyan leader Moammar Gadhafi was a war crime.

Luis Moreno Ocampo told reporters after briefing the U.N. Security Council on Thursday that he sent a letter to the head of the National Transitional Council asking about the government's plans to investigate alleged war crimes by all parties, including the rebels.

The uprising against Gadhafi's 42-year rule ended in October with Gadhafi's capture and death in unclear circumstances. Witness accounts and video of the deposed dictator after his capture by rebel fighters show that he was beaten and abused by his captors, and there were strong indications he was killed in custody.

—From wire reports

Chimp research soon to be limited

Primates to be used only as last resort

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The government on Thursday said it would adopt strict new limits on using chimpanzees in medical research, after a prestigious scientific group recommended that experiments with humans' closest relative be done only as a last resort.

The National Institutes of Health agreed that science has advanced enough that chimps seldom would be needed to help develop new medicines.

NIH Director Francis Collins temporarily barred new federal funding for research involving chimps, and said a working group will review about 37 ongoing projects involving the animals to see if they should be phased out.

Chimps' similarity to people "demands special consideration and respect," Collins said.



Associated Press

Keeli, a Chimpanzee living at the Ohio State University animal laboratory, looks out from his play room in Columbus, Ohio. A prestigious scientific group told the U.S. government Thursday chimpanzees should hardly ever be used for medical research.

These apes' genetic closeness to humans has long caused a quandary. It's what has made them so valuable to scientists for nearly a

century. They were vital in creating a vaccine for hepatitis B, for example, and even were shot into space to make sure the trip wouldn't kill

the astronauts next in line. But that close relationship also has had animal rights groups arguing that using chimps for biomedical research is unethical, even cruel.

Chimp research already was dwindling fast as scientists turned to less costly and ethically charged alternatives.

Thursday's decision was triggered by an uproar last year over the fate of 186 semi-retired research chimps that the NIH, to save money, planned to move from a New Mexico facility to an active research lab in Texas.

Where and how to house those animals — and others scattered around the country who probably no longer will be needed — are among the issues that Collins said a government working group will decide as it determines how to implement the new research restrictions.

The Institute of Medicine's recommendation on Thursday stopped short of the outright ban that animal rights activists had pushed.

Somber reminder



Associated Press

Nooses hang in the gallows at the Pretoria Central Prison. The government opened the gallows in Pretoria, South Africa, Thursday as a monument to those who were executed before hangings stopped in 1989 and were abolished in 1995. In the background are plaques to those political prisoners who were executed.

South African gallows site becomes museum, memorial

Associated Press

PRETORIA, South Africa — Martha Mahlangu can't bear to visit the prison where her son, an anti-apartheid guerrilla, was hanged. But she says it's important that other South Africans see the gallows the government opened as a monument Thursday.

The new memorial recreates the place where political prisoners like Solomon Mahlangu climbed the stairs to face their executions, never struggling and sometimes even singing anti-apartheid songs.

Martha Mahlangu, an 87-year-old former maid, hopes visitors to the gallows will contemplate her son's sacrifice.

"Solomon only thought of freedom, to free the black man," she said in an interview in her Pretoria home. "He never

thought of himself, only about seeing the black man free."

Her voice faltered when she tried speak about being invited to take part in a series of events this week at the gallows at Pretoria Central Prison. She sat on her porch in a neighborhood set aside for blacks under apartheid that today remains predominantly black and poor.

She said she was instead sending her eldest son and a nephew to Thursday's inauguration by President Jacob Zuma of the gallows and the death row block housing it as a national memorial and museum.

Death row was in a low brick building with imposing oak doors just outside the main block of Pretoria Central Prison. The gallows were abandoned after the death penalty was abolished in 1995.

On Thursday, a sign on

a freshly painted wall along a hallway leading to the gallows told visitors some 3,500 South Africans were hanged over the last century. "Of these," it said, "130 were patriots whose only crime was fighting oppression."

Solomon Mahlangu was among the class of 1976, young South Africans radicalized by a student uprising in Soweto that year that was met by a brutal police crackdown. He was 20 when he left South Africa to train in Mozambique and Angola with Umkhonto we Sizwe, or "Spear of the Nation," the armed wing of the African National Congress.

One of Solomon Mahlangu's trio got away. Another, the only one accused of firing a gun, was so badly beaten in custody he was judged unfit to stand trial. Prosecutors did not dispute that



Associated Press

Martha Mahlangu wipes her eye as she talks of her late son, Solomon, an anti-apartheid guerrilla who was hanged on April 6, 1979.

Solomon Mahlangu never fired a gun, but he was convicted of sharing his comrade's deadly purpose.

He was hanged on April 6, 1979.

The gallows was destroyed in a smelter after the death penalty was abolished. Visitors to the site will see a replica: Seven nooses dangling from iron loops over a trap door.

Feds issue scathing report against Ariz. sheriff

Associated Press

PHOENIX — A scathing U.S. Justice Department report released Thursday found that Sheriff Joe Arpaio's office carried out a blatant pattern of discrimination against Latinos and held a "systematic disregard" for the Constitution amid a series of immigration crackdowns that have turned

the lawman into a prominent national political figure.

Arpaio struck a defiant tone in response to the report, calling it a politically motivated attack by the Obama administration that will make Arizona unsafe by keeping illegal immigrants on the street. "Don't come here and use me as the whipping boy for a national and international problem," he

said at a news conference.

The government found that Arpaio's office committed a wide range of civil rights violations against Latinos, including unjust immigration patrols and jail policies that deprive prisoners of basic Constitutional rights.

The Justice Department's expert on measuring racial profiling said it was the most

egregious case of profiling in the nation that he has seen or reviewed.

"We found discriminatory policing that was deeply rooted in the culture of the department, a culture that breeds a systematic disregard for basic constitutional protections," said Thomas Perez, who heads the Justice Department's civil rights division.

Secret Santas pay off layaway accounts

Associated Press

OMAHA, Neb. — The young father stood in line at the Kmart layaway counter, wearing dirty clothes and worn-out boots. With him were three small children.

He asked to pay something on his bill because he knew he wouldn't be able to afford it all before Christmas. Then a mysterious woman stepped up to the counter.

"She told him, 'No, I'm paying for it,'" recalled Edna Deppe, assistant manager at the store in Indianapolis. "He just stood there and looked at her and then looked at me and asked if it was a joke. I told him it wasn't, and that she was going to pay for him. And he just busted out in tears."

At Kmart stores across the country, Santa seems to be getting some help: Anonymous donors are paying off strangers' layaway accounts, buying the Christmas gifts other families couldn't afford.

Before she left the store Tuesday evening, the Indianapolis woman in her mid-40s had paid the layaway orders for as many as 50 people. On the way out, she handed out \$50 bills and paid for two carts of toys for a woman in line at the cash register.

"She was doing it in the memory of her husband who had just died, and she said she wasn't going to be able to spend it and wanted to make people happy with it," Deppe said.

Most of the donors have done their giving secretly.

Dona Bremser, an Omaha nurse, was at work when a Kmart employee called to tell her that someone had paid off the \$70 balance of her layaway account, which held nearly \$200 in toys for her 4-year-old son.

"I was speechless," Bremser said. "It made me believe in Christmas again."

Dozens of other customers have received similar calls in Nebraska, Michigan, Iowa, Indiana and Montana. The phenomenon seems to have begun in Michigan before spreading, Kmart executives said.

"It is honestly being driven by people wanting to do a good deed at this time of the year," said Salima Yala, Kmart's division vice president for layaway.

Kmart representatives say they did nothing to instigate the secret Santas.

■ Falcons take on Jaguars in non-divisional clash Thursday night./B4



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Back to school, coaching for Fagan

Former Dunnellon High School softball coach enrolled at CF

AMANDA BARNEY
For the Chronicle

Some accomplish things in life that others cannot hope to achieve. Even though they achieve the greatest, they still do not achieve everything.

Kevin Fagan, a former

defensive end who played seven seasons for the San Francisco 49ers and was a star at the University of Miami, has not accomplished everything yet.

How could that be possible for a man who's won an NCAA national championship while playing for

the Hurricanes as well as two Super Bowl championships with the 49ers?

Throw in a pair of back-to-back Class 4A State Championships he won while coaching the Dunnellon High School softball team as well as the 2010 ESPN Rise national championship, it would seem the father of



Kevin Fagan

six has it all.

But now that his two oldest daughters, Kasey and Sami, are at the University of Florida, Fagan decided to slow things down and serve as an assistant coach with the varsity foot-

ball program at Dunnellon this past season.

Missing his girls on the softball diamond, Fagan

wanted to get back on the field. He decided to finish up one thing he has wanted to accomplish for years — earn his college degree — while he returns to one thing he loves doing: coaching softball.

Central Florida offered him the chance to do both.

Fagan enrolled at CF to finish pursuing his degree in the Criminal Justice field, but while he had never thought about coach-

ing there, a chance to do so opened and Fagan jumped as if he had gotten the better of an offensive lineman.

"I didn't really mean to start coaching over there," he explained. "I switched gears to football to spend some time with Cole (his oldest son). When I decided to finish my degree, they asked if I'd help coach if they paid for my schooling."

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Good as gone?

Howard doesn't back off trade demand to Magic

Associated Press

ORLANDO — Magic center Dwight Howard has made it a point to avoid social networking sites like Twitter and Facebook as talk continued to swirl this week about his request to be traded to another team.

But on Saturday fans will get their first opportunity in person to express how they feel about the all-star's desires when the team holds an open scrimmage at the Amway Center.

It could be the first awkward reception the fan-favorite Howard has ever received in the year-old arena.

Howard said Thursday that his trade request hasn't been withdrawn; a day after Magic general manager Otis Smith shook off questions about what offers he'd received and said that trade discussions involving him "could go to the end of the season."

The team is off Friday, its first break since training camp opened last week.

"There's no back-and-forth," Howard said. "It still stands and we know what's going on. I talked to Otis today. What we talked about is gonna stay between me and him."

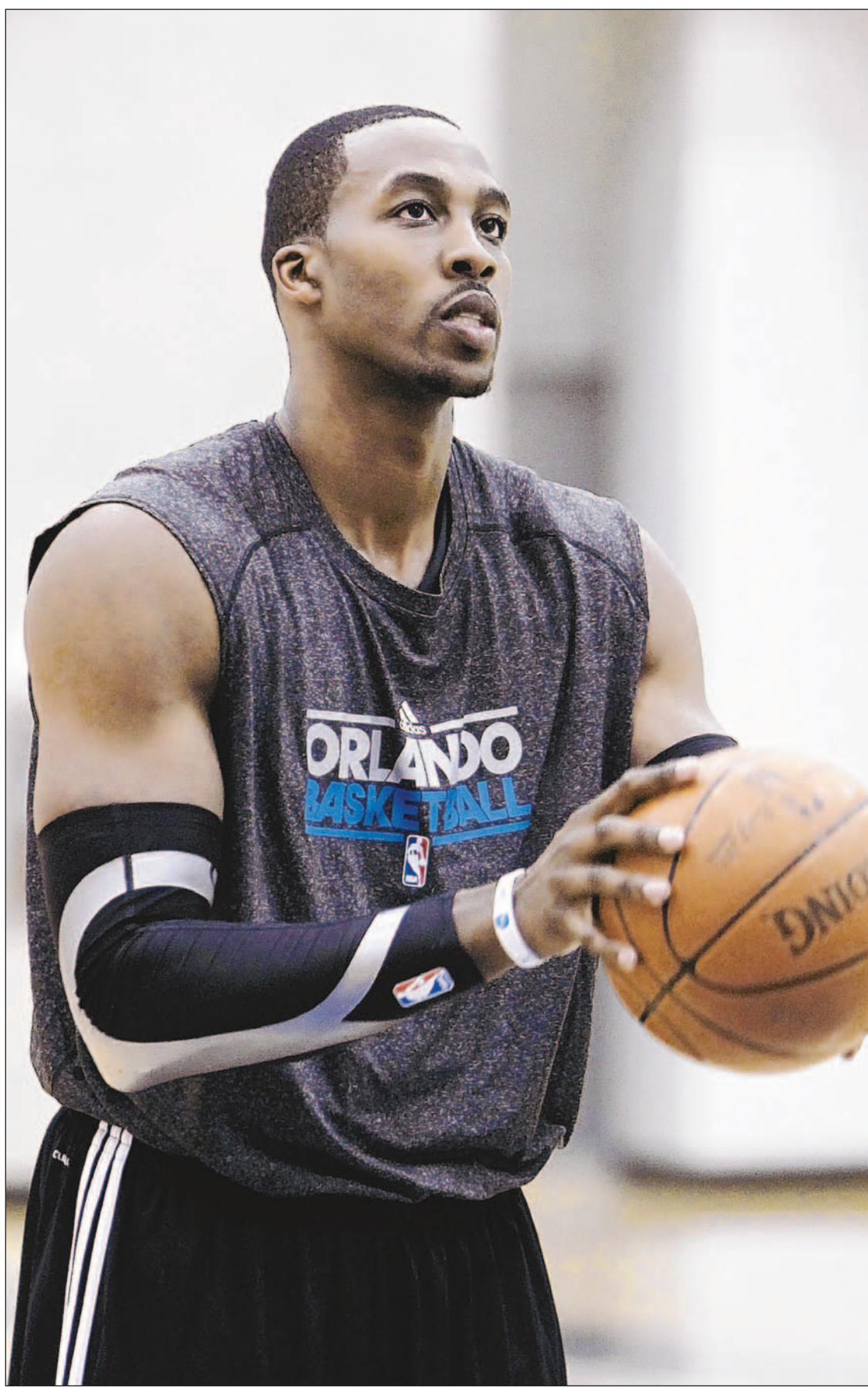
Howard also brushed off a question about whether there needs to be any mending to their relationship going forward.

"Right now me and Otis are gonna continue to try to make this team better," he said. "And I'm gonna do my part on the court. That's the reason I'm here. To get our team better and to make myself a better leader for this team."

"And we're doing great. Practices are going great, guys are coming in and they're focused — nobody's playing around. We're having fun, but at the same time we're getting the job done...There's no need to talk about trades or what's on ESPN or in the newspaper. There's no need to bring it on the court."

The all-star center is eligible to opt out of his current contract in July 2012. Smith has previously given Howard's agent, Dan Fegan, permission to discuss trades with Dallas, New Jersey and the Los Angeles Lakers.

Magic guard Chris Duhon said that for the veterans in the



Associated Press

Orlando Magic center Dwight Howard shoots free throws after practice last Friday in Orlando. Howard hasn't backed off his request to be traded.

locker room, there hasn't been a lot of worry about whether they could wind up being traded as part of a deal for Howard.

"Everybody knows what what's going on and it's a part of our business," Duhon said.

"You gotta be a professional. We're professional athletes. We know this thing's a business and there's gonna be changes in lineups every now and then. So you gotta do what you do as a pro and be prepared to play, prepared to practice every day

and give your best effort. Whatever happens, you adjust to it and make the best out of it."

While Howard Watch is becoming a daily reality show, the Magic are slowly cobbling

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More than a game

CR, Citrus will meet on field to battle breast cancer

J.M. SORACCHI
Chronicle

What started as a simple idea from a former Citrus High School student is now an annual event that helps raise money for a specific type of cancer.

The fourth annual Breast Cancer Awareness Game between the

C r y s t a l River and Citrus girls soccer teams begins at 7:30 p.m. Friday at the Hurricanes' home field in Inverness.

O t h e r than just another hotly contested match between two longtime rivals, the game is a platform to raise money to combat the illness.

The sad reality is more and more people know someone afflicted with the disease. Citrus River High School girls soccer coach Bill Reyes is no exception.

"Once upon a time, Citrus asked us to do this and I have no problem with it," Reyes said. "My aunt in New York actually suffered from it, she's a breast cancer survivor."

Citrus High School grad Candace Smith started the contest three years ago as a member of the Citrus girls soccer team. Smith, now a junior softball player at Oklahoma Panhandle State University, did the legwork in setting up the fundraising and even contacting the FHSAA for clearance to use pink soccer balls.

"(Candace) is a tremendous young lady," Citrus coach Steve Ekeli said. "This is her baby. Coming in, I knew as a coach that this was something we had to

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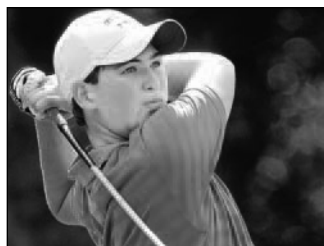


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Teaming up for a cause



Special to the Chronicle

The Nature Coast Soccer Club's under-11 girls competitive team recently adopted a little girl from the Citrus County Family Resource Center in Hernando. The girls had a great time Christmas shopping with their coaches at the Inverness Walmart. Front row, from left: Maeve McDougal, Fiona Connor, Ava Rice, Tristen King, Kaitie Van Cleef and Kaitlin Zoucha. Back row, from left: Davis Bryson, Kelley Sullivan, Peyton Burdette, Julia Javier, Courtney Dye, Lesley East and Cameron Fagan. Coaches, from left: Rob McDougal, Dan Sullivan and Rick Rice.

P.L.A.Y. helps introduce kids to sports

Special to the Chronicle

The P.L.A.Y. program (Preparing Little Athletes Youth) program is a comprehensive motor skills development program that will prepare you and your child for the world of organized sports.

The program will go beyond teaching your child the basics of various sports by also encouraging confidence and teamwork as he/she learns to play and interact with other children in a fun and safe environment.

The P.L.A.Y. programs are designed for children ages 3 to 5, and each child will receive a team T-shirt and age-appropriate sports equipment. Each program runs for six weeks, one night a week for one hour.

Soccer and T-ball will be the next sports offered. Soccer will be held at Central Ridge District Park on

Monday evenings from 5 to 6 p.m. or 6 to 7 p.m. beginning Jan. 23, or Wednesday evenings at Homosassa Area Recreational Park from 5 to 6 p.m. or 6 to 7 p.m. beginning Jan. 25.

T-ball will be held Tuesday evenings at Central Ridge District Park from 5 to 6 p.m. or 6 to 7 p.m. starting on Jan. 24. T-ball will also be at Bicentennial Park on Thursday evenings from 5 to 6 p.m. beginning on Jan. 26.

The cost is \$45 per child; sign your child up for more than one sport in the same session and save \$10.

Registration will open on Tuesday, Dec. 27. Space is limited and pre-registration is required. For more information, contact Crysta Henry, Recreation Program Specialist for Youth Programs, at 352-527-7543 or visit www.citruscountyparks.com.

Youth basketball, cheer league starts in January

YMCA to expand offerings due to demand

Special to the Chronicle

The Citrus County YMCA is now taking registrations for its Youth Basketball and Cheer League, which is set to start on Jan. 16. This will be the second year the League games will be hosted at the Key Training Center in the Chet Cole Life Enrichment Center gymnasium.

Because of the popularity of last year's league, the YMCA has increased the session to 10 weeks this year. The Y has also added additional age divisions that will cover ages 3 to 16, so youths of all ages will be able to enjoy participating this season.

The schedules for league practices, including both basketball and cheerleading, will be sent to parents the first week in January. Practices for a few of the age divisions will take place at CREST School on Educational Path in Lecanto, and other practices will be at the Key Training Cen-

ter outside Crystal River. Practices will be on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. All games will be on Saturday at the Key Training Center gym from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Registration is now open through Jan. 6. The league cost is \$85 per child for both the Basketball and Cheer league. There is an option to purchase a uniform with the Cheer league. Scholarships are available through the YMCA's Open Doors Financial Assistance program. To apply for financial assistance, please contact the YMCA office.

Volunteer coaches are needed. Background screening is required and provided by the Citrus County YMCA. Sponsors are also needed, and sponsor names will be printed on team t-shirts.

For questions, stop by the YMCA office in Beverly Hills located at 3909 North Lecanto Highway, or call 352-637-0132.

Recreation BRIEFS

Clubs to have Christmas camps

Boys & Girls Clubs of Citrus County Christmas Camps will be Dec. 19, 20, 21, 22, 27, 28 and 29, and Jan. 3. Christmas Camp costs \$12 per day.

The Boys & Girls Clubs of Citrus County have received a grant from Walmart for 15 full scholarships to be used for Christmas camp. All campers must prepay the full amount unless on scholarship. Clubs must have 25 children registered to be open.

Anyone wishing to make a donation should mail it to Boys & Girls Clubs of Citrus County, P.O. Box 907 Lecanto, FL 34460 or call (352) 621-9225. Checks should be made payable to the Boys & Girls Clubs of Citrus County. If a donor wishes a donation to go to a certain club, they should designate it on the memo line at the bottom of the check.

Boat parade now forming

Registration is now open for residents to enter their holiday decorated boats and participate in the 27th annual Christmas boat parade on the Homosassa River, slated for Dec. 17.

There is no entry fee to participate. A lead boat will help guide the boats past the hundreds of children waiting onshore for an up-close view. Every participant receives a prize.

Register by calling 352-302-5779 or at The Freezer in old Homosassa.

Fishing club heads to St. Augustine

The Beverly Hills Fishing Club is preparing to visit the nation's oldest city — St. Augustine — for a "Holly Jolly Christmas" on Dec. 15 and 16. The trip includes an

overnight stay in an oceanfront hotel, four meals, a narrated Jolly Trolley ride, lunch at the Columbia restaurant and a Christmas lighting display.

Call Pat at 352-257-9328.

Flotilla invites new members

Put your time and talents to good use while making friends and providing a valuable service to the community.

Flotilla 15-01 of Crystal River invites everyone to become a member of the unit of the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary. Flotilla 15-01 is comprised of men and women from all walks of life and all age groups. Meetings are at 6:30 p.m. the first Monday of each month at 148 N.E. Fifth St. in Crystal River.

In addition to offering safe boating classes, members work hand in hand with the U.S. Coast Guard.

— From staff reports

Citrus High soccer players face Norwegian team



Special to the Chronicle

Citrus High School soccer players Victoria Ekel and Meghan Flaherty had the rare opportunity to play in a high-level match against Norwegian Soccer Academy NTG. Victoria and Meghan's premier club Florida Rush, hosted NTG on Nov. 19 at the National Training Center in Clermont. The NTG Academy is comprised of professional and national team players from Norway and went home with the win. Pictured from left, Siri Ervik, goalkeeper for Norway U-17 Women's National Team, Marte Stenersen, goalkeeper for Norway club Stabaek, Keith Malz, goalkeeper coach for Citrus High and Hernando Heat, Ekel, goalkeeper for Citrus High and Florida Rush and Flaherty, defender for Citrus High and Florida Rush.

HOWARD

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together their roster for their Christmas night season-Phoenix opener at Oklahoma City.

Late Thursday afternoon the Magic announced the re-

signing of free agent forward Earl Clark, who played 33 games with Orlando last season after coming over with Hedo Turkoglu and Jason Richardson in a trade with Phoenix.

The move came three days after a trade of Brandon Bass to Boston for Glen

Davis was officially completed and Richardson, also a free agent, was resigned.

Clark averaged just 11.9 minutes and 4.1 points per game after his arrival last December, but Van Gundy thinks he can add depth to the Magic's front court.

FAGAN

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I agreed."

The Lady Patriots softball team recently finished its fall season and will begin preparing for the regular season in January.

Kerri Ryskamp, the head coach at CF, will have Fagan work with pitchers and catchers.

"It's exciting that my dad was given the opportunity to coach college softball," said Sami Fagan, a freshman at Florida this year. "He deserves to be able to use his abilities at a higher level, and the CF team is lucky to have him as their coach."

Two of Fagan's high

school players, Caylee Underwood and Gillian Morrow, both of whom were on the national title team, currently play for Central Florida.

"These girls are pretty good athletes, I expect the usual good attitude and effort from them," Fagan said of Underwood and Morrow. "The best thing about coaching is interacting with the players and seeing them grow, not only as athletes, but as people."

Last week, the CF girls set goals for the team for the upcoming season. The

Lady Patriots' main goal is to have 30 wins this season and to get into the conference tournament at the end of the season.

The next two years, Kevin Fagan will finish his degree in between juggling football and softball practices.

“It's exciting that my dad was given the opportunity...”

Sami Fagan
University of Florida freshman said of her dad Kevin Fagan.

"I am proud that my dad is finishing up his degree," said Cole, a freshman at Dunellon High.

"I know he is a good coach in practically everything. He'll succeed like he always does and accomplish almost everything that somebody can."

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continue."

Citrus has dominated the actual action on the field to date, winning the first three iterations by a combined score of 12-1. The Hurricanes won the 2010 edition 7-0 and the closest outcome in the series was a 1-0 Citrus triumph in 2009.

The game is now going strong and has spawned breast cancer awareness

games for volleyball and softball games in Citrus County as well.

"We have some great teachers (at Citrus) who suffered from breast cancer and we've survived it," Ekel said. "We're playing for them as well."

Ekel also said proceeds from the game and a \$12 T-shirt being sold will go directly to fighting breast cancer.

One thing that has changed a bit is both the Pirates and Hurricanes are entering the contest with

fast starts to the season.

Both teams played at home Tuesday: Crystal River stands at 10-2-1 overall after an 8-0 thrashing of South Sumter while Citrus is 9-2 following a 4-0 victory over Hernando.

If Crystal River manages to finally take one in the series, it will do so in pink jerseys. Reyes said he wouldn't mind wearing a coordinating outfit.

"Hopefully they have a pink jersey big enough for me," he joked.

FSU falls in first NCAA volleyball semifinal berth

UCLA advances to first NCAA final since 1994

Associated Press

SAN ANTONIO — UCLA is finally back in the finals.

Junior outside hitter Rachael Kidder had 21 kills and the Bruins advanced to their first national championship match since 1994, sweeping newcomer Florida State in the NCAA semifinals Thursday night.

Tabi Love added 12 kills for the Bruins in the 25-16, 25-17, 25-21 victory. They'll play either rival USC or Illinois in Saturday's championship.

Seventeen years is a long drought for a program with UCLA's reputation. The Bruins (29-6) have three championships, tied for third all-time, and four runner-up finishes. But UCLA was making just its first semis appearance since 2006.

"It feels great. I think most of us, when we decided to come to UCLA, knew that the program's been really good in the past," Kidder said. "And I know when I came in, I was really looking forward to

turning it around hopefully. That was the goal."

The Seminoles (28-7) never led in the first two sets during their first semifinals appearance in school history. Jekaterina Stepanova had 11 kills for Florida State.

"It's always a disappointment to lose no matter where you lose," Florida State defensive specialist Katie Mosher said. "But I think the fact that no one expected us to get to the final four at all, it just shows so much for our team as a whole."

There will be a new NCAA champion for the first time since 2006 regardless of who UCLA

faces. Four-time defending champion Penn State was eliminated by the Bruins last week.

Kidder picked up where she left off against the Nittany Lions. The 6-foot-3 star of UCLA's front line, who helped finished off Penn State with 15 kills in the regional semis, put together her eighth match this season with at least 20 kills. She hit .462, her best performance of the tournament.

Florida State's Jekaterina Stepanova returns the ball during an NCAA college semifinal volleyball match against UCLA on Thursday in San Antonio. UCLA won the match 3-0.

Associated Press



Bolts extinguish Flames

Stamkos' goal in OT propels TB to 5-4 triumph

Associated Press

TAMPA — Steven Stamkos scored his 19th goal of the season 30 seconds into overtime and the Tampa Bay Lightning beat the Calgary Flames 5-4 on Thursday night.

Stamkos got the winner from in close off a nifty pass from Eric Brewer.

Teddy Purcell, Tom Pyatt, Ryan Malone and Nate Thompson also scored for the Lightning, who had lost seven of eight.

Calgary got goals from Matt Stajan, Jarome Iginla, Rene Bourque and Olli Jokinen. The Flames are 6-3-1 over their last 10 games.

Calgary rebounded from a two-goal, third-period deficit when Bourque scored on a breakaway in the opening minute and Jokinen redirected Alex Tanguay's shot past Mathieu Garon during a power play with 3:12 to go in regulation.

After Pyatt scored with 9:50 to go in the second, Malone gave Tampa Bay a 3-2 lead from the left circle just under 2 minutes later. Thompson made it 4-2 with 33.4 seconds to go in the period when his shot went into the net off Calgary defenseman Chris Butler's leg.

Calgary went ahead 2-1 when Iginla scored his 12th goal this season and 496th overall from the top of the left circle 1:57 into the second. The Flames' captain is two goals away from tying Glenn Anderson for 42nd place all-time.

Flyers 4, Canadiens 3

MONTREAL — Andrei Meszaros scored 8:08 into the third, Mathieu Carle had three assists and the Philadelphia Flyers extended their winning streak to seven with a 4-3 victory over the Montreal Canadiens on Thursday night.

Maxime Talbot, Harry Zolnierczyk and Wayne Simmonds also scored for the Flyers in the victory tempered by news that captain Chris Pronger will miss the rest of the regular season and playoffs because of severe post-concussion syndrome.

Sergei Bobrovsky stopped 28 shots for Philadelphia, which blew 1-0, 2-1 and 3-2 leads in the second period.

Kings 2, Blue Jackets 1

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Dustin Brown scored on a redirect midway through the third period and Jonathan Quick had 24 saves to help Los Angeles beat Columbus, ending the Kings' five-game losing streak and giving interim coach John Stevens his first victory.

Brown added an assist on Davis Drewiske's goal for the Kings, who fired Terry Murray on Monday. There is widespread speculation that general man-



Tampa Bay Lightning left wing Ryan Malone (12) celebrates in front of Calgary Flames right wing Tom Kostopoulos (16) after scoring a goal during the second period Thursday in Tampa.

Associated Press

ager Dean Lombardi is close to hiring former San Jose coach and Calgary GM Darryl Sutter as the permanent coach.

After a 5-1-1 start, the Kings have gone 9-12-3.

Jeff Carter scored for Columbus.

Hurricanes 4, Canucks 3

RALEIGH, N.C. — Drayson Bowman scored two goals and Carolina rallied to beat Vancouver to give Kirk Muller his first coaching win on home ice and snap a slide in which they had

lost 16 of 20.

Tuomo Ruutu added a deflected goal and an assist, and Jaroslav Spacek scored his first goal since being acquired by the last-place Hurricanes. They scored four straight goals to rally from a 2-0 deficit.

Alex Burrows and Mason Raymond each had a goal and an assist, Kevin Biekas also scored and Henrik Sedin had two assists to reach 700 career points for the Canucks, who entered 9-1-1 in their previous 11.

Cam Ward made 33 saves for the Hurricanes.

Stars 3, Islanders 2

UNIONDALE, N.Y. — Jamie Benn scored the go-ahead goal 4:33 into the third period and also had an assist in Dallas' victory over New York.

Loui Eriksson and Brendan Morrow also scored and Richard Bachman made 25 saves to improve to 3-0 in the NHL and help the Stars run their winning streak to three games.

Mizzou routs foe Badgers bounce Savannah St.

Associated Press

COLUMBIA, Mo. — Ricardo Ratliffe and Michael Dixon had 18 points each and No. 10 Missouri shot 60 percent from the field in a 104-67 rout of Kennesaw State on Thursday night.

Marcus Denmon added 17 points and Phil Pressey had nine points and 10 assists for the Tigers (10-0), unbeaten after the first 10 games for the first time since an 11-0 start in 1991-92. They extended their homecourt non-conference winning streak to 65 games.

Freshman Delbert Love had a career-best 27 points with five 3-pointers for Kennesaw State (2-6), which has lost four straight. Markeith Cummings had 17 points and six rebounds before fouling out with 3:49 to go.

Frank Haith became the first Missouri coach to win his first 10 games since 1920-21.

No. 14 Wisconsin 66, Savannah St. 33

MADISON, Wis. — Jared Berggren scored 13 points to lead four Wisconsin players in double figures.

Playing for the last time before final exams begin, the Badgers (10-2) used runs of 11-0 and 11-2 in the first half to push their lead to 30-10 with 4 minutes left.

The Tigers (4-8) looked like they might give Wisconsin a challenge early in the second half. They cut the lead to 15 points twice, the last time at 41-26 with just under 14 minutes to go. But Wisconsin went on a 23-4 run over the next 12 minutes.

Cedric Smith and Arnold Lewis led the Tigers with eight points each.

Ryan Evans and Jordan Taylor both scored 12 points for the Badgers, while Josh Gasser had 10.

No. 24 Murray St. 89, Lipscomb 65

MURRAY, Ky. — Ed Daniel and Ivan Aska both scored 16 points and Murray State won its first game as a ranked team in 13 years.

The Racers (10-0) have Steve Prohm off to the best start for a rookie coach in Murray State history.

Isaiah Canaan added 13 points for the Racers, who won their 14th straight non-conference game, a streak dating to February 2009.

American teen Thompson assumes lead in Dubai

Wie four shots back at Ladies Masters event

Associated Press

DUBAI, United Arab Emirates — American teenager Lexi Thompson has taken a two-shot lead after the second round of the Dubai Ladies Masters.

The 16-year-old Thompson, who is the youngest LPGA Tour winner, had six birdies en route to a bogey-free, 6-under 66 Thursday and 136 total.

"I just made a few more putts today," Thompson said. "I hit it a little bit closer. I was just thinking 'stay steady' and playing consistent."

Swedish veteran Sophie Gustafson (67) and Margherita Rigon (68) shared second place, while Julieta Granada and Becky Morgan trailed the leader by three shots.

Michelle Wie is four shots behind after a 67. The 22-year-old American, who is looking for her first win of the year, rallied after an opening-round 73. She had five birdies overall, including four on the back nine.

"I made a couple more putts," Wie said. "I have two more days to try and shoot some more low scores."

Overnight leader Lotta Wahlin of Sweden needed eight more strokes on Thursday, scoring a 74.

Thompson got her short game working after finishing 16th in the first round. She hit a lob wedge within



Alexis Thompson tees off on the ninth hole during the second round of the Dubai Ladies Masters golf tournament on Thursday in Dubai, United Arab Emirates.

Associated Press

10 feet of the pin on the second hole and sent a 178-yard iron shot on the next hole within 15 feet to birdie both.

Thompson has started to match the hype that has sur-

rounded her arrival on the tour, winning the Navistar LPGA Classic by five strokes in September.

A victory in Dubai would make her the second

youngest winner on the European Tour after Amy Yang of South Korea, who won the ANZ Masters in 2006 at 16 years, 191 days. That is just over five months younger than Thompson.

"This is such a great tournament and it would be an honor to win this," Thompson said. "So I'm just going to try and take it easy and play one shot at a time."

Wie also got her start on the LPGA Tour at 16 — turning pro two years ago.

However, she has struggled to meet expectations, winning only twice on the LPGA tour and this year falling to 17th in the rankings because of nagging injuries and a drop in form.

On Thursday, Wie had a bogey-free round in the season-ending event and made several key birdie putts, in-

cluding a 30-footer on No. 12. "A little frustrated after the last two holes, but I kept steady out there today," said Wie, who missed a 12-foot birdie putt on No. 18. "I'm still in contention, and going to go out there tomorrow, shoot another low round."

Playing alongside Wie, the 38-year-old Gustafson is also looking for her first victory of the year. She was five shots back after the first day, but had five birdies in a bogey-free second round.

Top-ranked Donald wins European Tour award

LONDON — Top-ranked Luke Donald has added the European Tour's golfer of the year award to his PGA Tour player of the year honor for 2011.

The 34-year-old Englishman won three titles on the European Tour and finished in the top 10 in 20 of his 26 tournaments.

FOOTBALL

College Football Bowl Glance

Subject to Change
All Times EST
Saturday, Dec. 17
New Mexico Bowl
At Albuquerque

Wyoming (8-4) vs. Temple (8-4), 2:30 p.m. (ESPN)

Famous Idaho Potato Bowl
At Boise, Idaho
Utah State (7-5) vs. Ohio (9-4), 5:30 p.m. (ESPN)

New Orleans Bowl
Louisiana-Lafayette (8-4) vs. San Diego State (8-4), 9 p.m. (ESPN)

Tuesday, Dec. 20
Beef 'O' Brady's Bowl
At St. Petersburg, Fla.
Marshall (6-6) vs. FIU (8-4), 8 p.m. (ESPN)

Wednesday, Dec. 21
Poinsettia Bowl
At San Diego
TCU (10-2) vs. Louisiana Tech (8-4), 8 p.m. (ESPN)

Thursday, Dec. 22
MAACO Bowl
At Las Vegas
Boise State (11-1) vs. Arizona State (6-6), 8 p.m. (ESPN)

Saturday, Dec. 24
Hawaii Bowl
At Honolulu
Nevada (7-5) vs. Southern Mississippi (11-2), 8 p.m. (ESPN)

Monday, Dec. 26
Independence Bowl
At Shreveport, La.
North Carolina (7-5) vs. Missouri (7-5), 5 p.m. (ESPN2)

Tuesday, Dec. 27
Little Caesars Pizza Bowl
At Detroit
Western Michigan (7-5) vs. Purdue (6-6), 4:30 p.m. (ESPN2)

Belk Bowl
At Charlotte, N.C.
North Carolina State (7-5) vs. Louisville (7-5), 8 p.m. (ESPN)

Wednesday, Dec. 28
Military Bowl
At Washington
Air Force (7-5) vs. Toledo (8-4), 4:30 p.m. (ESPN)

Holiday Bowl
At San Diego
Texas (7-5) vs. California (7-5), 8 p.m. (ESPN)

Thursday, Dec. 29
Champs Sports Bowl
At Orlando, Fla.
Florida State (8-4) vs. Notre Dame (8-4), 5:30 p.m. (ESPN)

Alamo Bowl
At San Antonio
Baylor (9-3) vs. Washington (7-5), 9 p.m. (ESPN)

Friday, Dec. 30
Armed Forces Bowl
At Dallas
Tulsa (8-4) vs. BYU (9-3), Noon (ESPN)

Pinstripe Bowl
At Bronx, N.Y.
Rutgers (8-4) vs. Iowa State (6-6), 3:30 p.m. (ESPN)

Music City Bowl
At Nashville, Tenn.
Mississippi State (6-6) vs. Wake Forest (6-6), 6:40 p.m. (ESPN)

Insight Bowl
At Tempe, Ariz.
Oklahoma (9-3) vs. Iowa (7-5), 10 p.m. (ESPN)

Saturday, Dec. 31
Meineke Car Care Bowl
At Houston
Texas A&M (6-6) vs. Northwestern (6-6), Noon (ESPN)

Sun Bowl
At El Paso, Texas
Georgia Tech (8-4) vs. Utah (7-5), 2 p.m. (CBS)

Liberty Bowl
At Memphis, Tenn.
Vanderbilt (6-6) vs. Cincinnati (9-3), 3:30 p.m. (ESPN)

Fight Hunger Bowl
At San Francisco
UCLA (6-7) vs. Illinois (6-6), 3:30 p.m. (ESPN)

Chick-fil-A Bowl
At Atlanta
Virginia (8-4) vs. Auburn (7-5), 7:30 p.m. (ESPN)

Monday, Jan. 2
TicketCity Bowl
At Dallas
Penn State (9-3) vs. Houston (12-1), Noon (ESPNU)

Capital One Bowl
At Orlando, Fla.
Nebraska (9-3) vs. South Carolina (10-2), 1 p.m. (ESPN)

Outback Bowl
At Tampa, Fla.
Georgia (10-3) vs. Michigan State (10-3), 1 p.m. (ABC)

Gator Bowl
At Jacksonville, Fla.
Florida (6-6) vs. Ohio State (6-6), 1 p.m. (ESPN2)

Rose Bowl
At Pasadena, Calif.
Oregon (11-2) vs. Wisconsin (11-2), 5 p.m. (ESPN)

Fiesta Bowl
At Glendale, Ariz.
Stanford (11-1) vs. Oklahoma State (11-1), 8:30 p.m. (ESPN)

Tuesday, Jan. 3
Sugar Bowl
At New Orleans
Michigan (10-2) vs. Virginia Tech (11-2), 8 p.m. (ESPN)

Wednesday, Jan. 4
Orange Bowl
At Miami
West Virginia (9-3) vs. Clemson (10-3), 8 p.m. (ESPN)

Friday, Jan. 6
Cotton Bowl
At Arlington, Texas
Kansas State (10-2) vs. Arkansas (10-2), 8 p.m. (FOX)

Saturday, Jan. 7
BBVA Compass Bowl
At Birmingham, Ala.
Pittsburgh (6-6) vs. SMU (7-5), Noon (ESPN)

Sunday, Jan. 8
GoDaddy.com Bowl
At Mobile, Ala.
Arkansas State (10-2) vs. Northern Illinois (10-3), 9 p.m. (ESPN)

Monday, Jan. 9
BCS National Championship
At New Orleans
LSU (13-0) vs. Alabama (11-1), 8:30 p.m. (ESPN)

Saturday, Jan. 21
East-West Shrine Classic
At St. Petersburg, Fla.
East vs. West, TBA, (NFLN)

Saturday, Jan. 28
Senior Bowl
At Mobile, Ala.
North vs. South, 4 p.m. (NFLN)

Saturday, Feb. 5
Texas vs. Nation
At San Antonio
Texas vs. Nation, 2 p.m. (CBSSN)

For the record

Florida LOTTERY



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

CASH 3 (early) 7-3-0
CASH 3 (late) 5-0-1
PLAY 4 (early) 8-5-8-3
PLAY 4 (late) 2-8-4-3
FANTASY 5 6-16-18-23-33

On the AIRWAVES

TODAY'S TELEVISION SPORTS

FOOTBALL

1 p.m. (SUN) High School Football Florida Class 5A, Final: Miami Norland vs. Wakulla. (Live)
7 p.m. (ESPN2) College Football NCAA Division III, Championship: Mount Union (Ohio) vs. Wisconsin-Whitewater. From Salem, Va.
7 p.m. (SUN) High School Football Florida Class 7A Championship: First Coast vs. Manatee.
8 p.m. (ESPN) College Football NCAA Division I, First Semifinal — Montana at Sam Houston State.
9 p.m. (FSNFL) High School Football Texas UIL Championship Class4 A DI: Lake Travis vs. Waco Midway.

GOLF

3 p.m. (GOLF) Golf Omega Dubai Ladies Masters, Third Round. (Same-day Tape)
8:30 p.m. (GOLF) Golf JBWere Masters, Third Round.
1:30 a.m. (GOLF) Golf Asian Tour: Thailand Championship, Third Round. (Taped)

SOCCER

1 p.m. (FSNFL) English Premier League Soccer Arsenal vs. Everton. (Taped)

Note: All times and channels are subject to change at the discretion of the network. If you are unable to locate a game on the listed channel, please contact your cable provider.

Prep CALENDAR

TODAY'S PREP SPORTS

GIRLS BASKETBALL

6:30 p.m. Seven Rivers at St. Johns
7:30 p.m. Lecanto at West Port
7:30 p.m. Central at Citrus

BOYS BASKETBALL

7:30 p.m. West Port at Lecanto
8 p.m. Seven Rivers at St. Johns
7 p.m. Dunnellon at Crystal River

BOYS SOCCER

7:30 p.m. Lecanto vs. Vanguard, Booster Stadium
7:30 p.m. Citrus at Crystal River

GIRLS SOCCER

7:30 p.m. Vanguard at Lecanto
7:30 p.m. Crystal River at Citrus

GIRLS WEIGHTLIFTING

6 p.m. Citrus/Lecanto at River Ridge Invitational

WRESTLING

2 p.m. Citrus at St. Cloud IBT

HOCKEY

NHL standings

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA	
Philadelphia	30	20	7	3	43110	85	
N.Y. Rangers	29	17	8	4	38	84	65
Pittsburgh	31	17	10	4	38	95	79
New Jersey	30	16	13	1	33	79	86
N.Y. Islanders	29	9	14	6	24	67	96

Northeast Division

GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA	
Boston	30	20	9	1	41102	61	
Toronto	30	16	11	3	35	93	95
Buffalo	30	15	12	3	33	81	82
Montreal	32	13	12	7	33	82	84
Ottawa	32	14	14	4	32	96	112

Southeast Division

GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA	
Florida	31	16	9	6	38	84	80
Washington	30	16	13	1	33	90	94
Winnipeg	31	14	13	4	32	84	94
Tampa Bay	31	13	16	2	28	84	105
Carolina	33	10	18	5	25	84	113

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division

GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA	
Chicago	31	19	8	4	42103	95	
Detroit	30	19	10	1	39	96	67
St. Louis	30	18	9	3	39	75	63
Nashville	31	16	11	4	36	83	83
Columbus	31	9	18	4	22	74	102

Northwest Division

GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA	
Minnesota	32	20	8	4	44	83	70
Vancouver	31	18	11	2	38101	77	
Edmonton	30	14	13	3	31	83	80
Calgary	31	14	14	3	31	78	87
Colorado	31	14	16	1	29	82	94

Pacific Division

GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA	
Dallas	30	18	11	1	37	77	80
San Jose	28	15	10	3	33	78	68
Phoenix	30	15	12	3	33	78	80
Los Angeles	31	14	13	4	32	67	71
Anaheim	30	9	16	5	23	71	96

GOLF

Dubai Ladies Masters

Thursday
At Emirates Golf Club, Dubai, United Arab Emirates
Purse: \$650,000
Yardage: 6,425, Par: 72

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Alexis Thompson, United States	70-66 — 136
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Anna Nordqvist, Sweden	75-72 — 147
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BASKETBALL

Men's Top 20 Fared

Thursday

- Syracuse (10-0) did not play. Next: at N.C. State, Saturday.
- Ohio State (9-1) did not play. Next: at South Carolina, Saturday.
- Kentucky (8-1) did not play. Next: vs. Chattanooga, Saturday.
- Louisville (9-0) did not play. Next: vs. Memphis, Saturday.
- North Carolina (8-2) did not play. Next: vs. Appalachian State, Saturday.
- Baylor (8-0) did not play. Next: at BYU, Saturday.
- Duke (9-1) did not play. Next: vs. UNC Greensboro, Monday, Dec. 19.
- Xavier (8-0) did not play. Next: vs. Oral Roberts, Sunday.
- UConn (8-1) did not play. Next: vs. Holy Cross, Sunday.
- Missouri (10-0) beat Kennesaw State 104-67. Next: vs. William & Mary, Sunday.
- Marquette (9-0) did not play. Next: vs. Northern Colorado, Saturday.
- Kansas (7-2) did not play. Next: vs. Davidson, Monday, Dec. 19.
- Florida (7-2) did not play. Next: vs. No. 22 Texas A&M, Saturday.
- Wisconsin (10-2) beat Savannah State 66-33. Next: vs. MVSU, Friday, Dec. 23.
- Pittsburgh (9-1) did not play. Next: vs. South Carolina State, Saturday.
- Georgetown (8-1) did not play. Next: vs. American, Saturday.
- Mississippi State (10-1) did not play. Next: at Detroit, Saturday.
- Indiana (9-0) did not play. Next: vs. Notre Dame, Saturday.
- Illinois (10-0) did not play. Next: vs. UNLV, Saturday.
- Michigan (8-2) did not play. Next: vs. Alabama A&M, Saturday.

Sports BRIEFS

CF holiday hoops camp coming soon
College of Central Florida men's basketball coach Tim Ryan is hosting a Holiday Basketball Camp at CF in Ocala from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Dec. 19-22.
The camp is for boys and girls ages 8-18 and provides complete skills for all ages.
Cost is \$100 for the full camp. Extended hours are available from 8:15 a.m. to 5:15 p.m. for an additional \$20 fee. Campers may attend for just one day at a cost of \$35.
Half days are also offered for

\$20 per day. To register or for additional information, please contact coach Ryan at 352-427-7435.
DelGuidice Baseball Camp signups now
The Key Training Center's Who's On First is accepting signups for the inaugural Nick DelGuidice Winter Baseball Camp.
The camp will be from Dec. 19 to 22 at Bicentennial Park in Crystal River. Each day will run from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.
Campers signing up by Dec. 12 will pay \$65. After that day,

the cost will be \$70.
Lunch will be provided each day. Campers are encouraged to bring their own baseball equipment and wear athletic attire.
Nick DelGuidice is a former graduate of Citrus High School and Florida Atlantic University. He plays baseball in the Kansas City Royals minor league system.
Instruction from Lake-Sumter Community College Rich Billings and professional coaches will also be featured.
For information or to reserve a spot, call (352) 344-0209.



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Atlanta Falcons running back Michael Turner (33) works against Jacksonville Jaguars defensive end Jeremy Mincey (94) during the first half Thursday in Atlanta. The Falcons routed the Jaguars 41-14.

Falcons clinch winning season in beating Jags

Associated Press

ATLANTA — Matt Ryan threw three touchdown passes, John Abraham had 3½ sacks and the Atlanta Falcons clinched a fourth straight winning season with a 41-14 rout of the Jacksonville Jaguars on Thursday night.
This one was over by halftime. The Falcons (9-5) were up 27-0 when the teams trotted to the locker room, the shell-shocked Jaguars (4-10) saddled with a net passing total of minus-1 yard.
Jacksonville rookie Blaine Gabbert coughed up the ball twice on hits by Abraham, both turnovers leading to Atlanta scores. Defensive tackle Corey Peters scooped up the second fumble and ran it in for a touchdown early in the third quarter, ending any thought of a Jacksonville comeback.
Ryan was 19 of 26 for 224 yards, hooking up with Roddy White on two scoring passes.
White had a 6-yard TD reception in the second quarter and a 29-yarder in the third as Atlanta got its fourth victory in five games. He went over 1,000 yards receiving for the

year, becoming the first Falcons wideout to accomplish the feat in five straight seasons and the eighth NFL player to have at least 80 catches and 1,000 yards receiving in five consecutive years.
Jacksonville finally got on the board late in the third when Kassim Osgood blocked a punt and Zach Potter returned it 46 yards to make it 41-7.
The Falcons got off to a fast start and took advantage of a Jacksonville gaffe early in the second quarter to expand their lead.
Jarett Dillard failed to catch a punt that bounced off his body at the Jacksonville 15. Atlanta's Sean Weatherspoon fell on the loose ball at the 5, and Turner scored on the next play.
White, who finished the first half with seven catches for 90 yards, ran a left-to-right pattern in the back of the end zone to catch Ryan's pass for a 24-0 lead.
Jacksonville, coming off a victory last week over Tampa Bay, was attempting to win consecutive games for the first time this season. But that elusive set of back-to-back victories looked unlikely early on.

Falcons 41, Jaguars 14

Jacksonville	0	0	7	—	14	
Atlanta	10	17	14	0	—	41

First Quarter

Atl—Jones 29 pass from Ryan (Bryant kick), 10:51.
Atl—FG Bryant 33, 3:18.

Second Quarter

Atl—Turner 5 run (Bryant kick), 13:03.
Atl—White 6 pass from Ryan (Bryant kick), 1:49.
Atl—FG Bryant 31, :00.

Third Quarter

Atl—Peters 13 fumble return (Bryant kick), 13:33.
Atl—White 29 pass from Ryan (Bryant kick), 6:38.
Jac—Potter 46 blocked punt return (Scobee kick), 2:12.

Fourth Quarter

Jac—West 16 pass from Gabbert (Scobee kick), :59.
A—68,856.

	Jac	Atl
First downs	12	20
Total Net Yards	207	373
Rushes-yards	19-116	35-97
Passing	91	276
Punt Returns	1-0	4-28
Kickoff Returns	6-143	2-53
Interceptions Ret.	0-0	1-21
Comp-Att-Int	12-22-1	24-32-0
Sacked-Yards Lost	5-50	1-4
Punts	7-43.4	5-40.8
Fumbles-Lost	3-3	0-0
Penalties-Yards	5-40	4-31
Time of Possession	21:29	38:31

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING—Jacksonville, Jones-Drew 17-112, Gabbert 1-5, D.Harris 1-(minus 1), Atlanta, Turner 19-61, Snelling 5-22, Rodgers 8-10, Jones 1-6, Redman 2-(minus 2).
PASSING—Jacksonville, Gabbert 12-22-1-141, Atlanta, Ryan 19-26-0-224, Redman 5-6-0-56.
RECEIVING—Jacksonville, West 3-38, Lewis 3-30, Price 2-39, Dillard 2-12, Cloherty 1-21, Jones-Drew 1-1, Atlanta, White 10-135, Jones 5-85, Snelling 4-26, Turner 4-4, Gonzalez 1-14, Douglas 1-12, Rodgers 1-4.
MISSED FIELD GOALS—None.

Clippers welcome Paul

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Chris Paul endured two weeks of sleepless nights, stressful days and at least one imploded trade before he found a new home with the Los Angeles Clippers.
The Pacific Ocean looked awfully peaceful to the superstar point guard on Thursday when he finally left the New Orleans Hornets for life on the West Coast, and now CP3 can't wait to start turning Staples Center's longtime second-class citizens into the greatest show in Hollywood.
The Clippers' bold new acquisition spent the day at their Playa Vista training complex, trying on his new No. 3 jersey after meeting with Blake Griffin and the rest of the players who can't wait to catch the four-time All-Star's passes.
"This is not my day, by the way. This is the Clippers' day," Paul told an overflowing media crowd. "This is a humbling experience, and I'm so grateful and thankful to be here."
A day earlier, the Clippers acquired Paul in a four-player trade with the Hornets, outmaneuvering the Lakers and several other suitors for the player widely considered the NBA's best point guard. Paul averaged 18.7 points and 9.8 assists last season.



Associated Press

Newly acquired Los Angeles Clippers basketball point guard Chris Paul holds up his jersey during an NBA basketball news conference to introduce him on Thursday in Los Angeles.

Boise St. stuck with flop

Broncos deserve better for Moore's finale

Associated Press

Kellen Moore deserves a better send-off.

The Boise State quarterback, who has more victories as a starter than any college quarterback in history, will conclude his brilliant career Thursday night at the MAACO Bowl Las Vegas against Arizona State, a 6-6 team that has already had its coach fired.

What a waste. In many ways there is no more damning indictment of the Bowl Championship Series and college football's bloated bowl postseason than Moore and this group of Boise State seniors being relegated to a third-tier game.

Even mild-mannered coach Chris Peterson finally snapped at the BCS after his team's latest snub. The Broncos were No. 8 in the final AP Top 25 for the regular season.

"Everybody is just very tired of the BCS," Peterson told reporters in Idaho earlier this month. "I think that's the bottom line. Everybody is frustrated. Everybody doesn't really know what to do anymore. It doesn't make sense to anybody. I don't think anybody is happy anymore."

"The whole thing needs to be changed, there's no question about it," he said. "... I think (change) is coming, I really do."

Too late for this band of Broncos, though.

In four seasons as a starter, Moore has led Boise State to 49 victories and thrown 140 touchdown passes, second on the NCAA career list.

Of course, it's not just Moore.

Fellow seniors such as second-team All-American tackle Nate Potter, third-team All-American safety George Iloka, defensive tackles Billy Winn and Chase Baker and running back Doug Martin have formed the foundation of team that has lost twice the last two seasons. Both times they were a last-second field goal away from earning BCS bids.

Instead, it's been two straight postseason trips to Las Vegas.

There's no denying Boise State's gaudy record has been inflated by playing in conferences — the Western Athletic Conference, before coming to the Mountain West this season — with more than a few soft spots.

There is also no denying the Broncos have proved capable of beating good teams from power conferences. Just ask Oregon, Georgia and Virginia Tech.



JOE JASZEWSKI/AP Photo/The Idaho Statesman

Boise State's Kellen Moore has more victories than any starting quarterback in NCAA history, but will end the season in the Las Vegas Bowl for the second year in a row. The Broncos finished No. 8 in the AP poll.

The bowl seasons should have been another chance to see Boise State take on the heavyweights, to find out if the Broncos were truly worthy of being labeled national championship contenders.

Maybe Moore would have gotten buried by a good SEC defense. Maybe Winn and company would have gotten shredded by a Big 12 offense. The haters could have happily dismissed Boise State as a fraud.

Or maybe the Broncos would have cut a couple more of the so-called college football elite down to size and stuck it to the doubters.

Come to think of it, it's not just Moore who deserved better; it's all college football fans.

The picks:

SATURDAY

New Mexico Bowl
Wyoming (plus 7) vs. Temple

Player to watch: Owls RB Bernard Pierce ... TEMPLE 21-17.

Idaho Potato Bowl
Utah State

(minus 2 1/2) vs. Ohio Aggies bowling for first time in 14 years ... UTAH STATE 33-24.

UPSET SPECIAL
New Orleans Bowl

La-Lafayette (plus 5 1/2) vs. San Diego State Ragin' Cajuns have short trip for first bowl since 1970 ... LA.-LAFAYETTE 35-28.

TUESDAY

Beef 'O'Brady's Bowl
Marshall (plus 4 1/2) vs. FIU

Player to watch: FIU receiver T.Y. Hilton ... FIU 28-21.

WEDNESDAY

Poinsettia Bowl
TCU (minus 10 1/2) vs. Louisiana Tech

Horned Frogs deserve better, too ... TCU 38-24.

THURSDAY

MAACO Bowl
Boise State (minus 14) vs. Arizona State

Broncos don't get bored ... BOISE STATE 42-21.

SATURDAY, DEC. 24

Hawaii Bowl
Nevada (plus 6) vs. Southern Mississippi

Last game of the Larry Fedora era at Southern Miss ... SOUTHERN MISS 41-21.

MONDAY, DEC. 26

Independence Bowl
North Carolina

(plus 4 1/2) vs. Missouri Player to watch: North Carolina DE Quinton Coples ... MISSOURI 24-21.

TUESDAY, DEC. 27

Little Caesars Pizza Bowl
Western Michigan

(plus 2 1/2) vs. Purdue Boilermakers last bowl was in same spot against MAC team in 2007 ... PURDUE 38-20.

Belk Bowl
North Carolina State

(minus 2 1/2) vs. Louisville Wolf Pack finished up-and-down season with two straight victories ... LOUISVILLE 27-23

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 28

Military Bowl
Air Force (plus 3) vs. Toledo

Player to watch: Toledo WR Eric Page ... TOLEDO 45-35.

Holiday Bowl
Texas (minus 3) vs. California

Longhorns primed for big rebound in 2012 ... TEXAS 28-20.

THURSDAY, DEC. 29

Champs Sports Bowl
Florida State (minus 3) vs. Notre Dame

The winner is overrated going into next season ... NOTRE DAME 24-21.

Alamo Bowl
Baylor (minus 9) vs. Washington

RG3's going away party? ... BAYLOR 54-48

FRIDAY, DEC. 30

Armed Forces Bowl
Tulsa (pick'em) vs. BYU

Tulsa only loses to ranked teams ... TULSA 31-24

Pinstripe Bowl
Rutgers (minus 2) vs. Iowa State

Player to watch: Rutgers WR Mohamed Sanu ... IOWA STATE 28-24.

BEST BET
Music City Bowl

Miss. St. (minus 6 1/2) vs. Wake Forest

Middling SEC team vs. middling ACC team. Advantage, SEC ... MISSISSIPPI STATE 31-14.

Insight Bowl
Oklahoma

(minus 14) vs. Iowa Sooners went from preseason No. 1 to playing on Dec. 30 ... OKLAHOMA 38-21.

Championship weekend record: 10-2 (straight); 6-6 (vs. spread).

Season record: 211-53 (straight); 127-112-1 (vs. spread).

Best bets: 9-4. Upset specials (vs. spread): 7-6.

Bears' Hurd faces drug charges

Associated Press

CHICAGO — Chicago Bears wide receiver Sam Hurd was locked up in federal custody Thursday as his stunned teammates learned he had been charged with trying to set up a drug-dealing network following his arrest with more than a pound of cocaine.

U.S. Magistrate Young Kim ordered Hurd held until at least Friday while prosecutors and defense attorneys work out bond details before he is sent to Texas to face charges.

The handcuffed Hurd declined to comment on the charges. Asked before the hearing if he was still a member of the Bears, he said: "As far as I know." He shook his head when asked if he had talked to anyone on the team.

"Sam stands ready to fight this case, but we're going to take it one step at a time," said defense attorney Brett Greenfield, who briefly met with Hurd.

Greenfield said he is hopeful that Hurd will be released from custody on Friday.

Hurd, 26, was arrested Wednesday night after meeting with an undercover agent at a Chicago restaurant, according to a criminal complaint that says the player was first identified as a potential drug dealer over the summer as the NFL lockout

was coming to an end.

Hurd told the agent that he was interested in buying five to 10 kilograms of cocaine and 1,000 pounds of marijuana per week to distribute in the Chicago area, the complaint said. He allegedly said he and a co-conspirator already distribute about four kilos of cocaine every week, but their supplier couldn't keep up with his demands. A kilogram is about 2.2 pounds.

Hurd told the agent "his co-conspirator is in charge of doing the majority of the deals" while he focused on "higher-end deals," the complaint said.

He agreed to pay \$25,000 for each kilogram of cocaine and \$450 a pound for the marijuana, according to the charges, and then said he could pay for a kilo of cocaine after "he gets out of practice." He walked out of the restaurant with the package and was arrested.

The criminal complaint was filed in Texas, where the U.S. attorney said Hurd faces up to 40 years in prison and a \$2 million fine if convicted of conspiracy to possess with the intent to distribute more than 500 grams of cocaine, or half a kilogram.

Hurd's agent, Ian Green-gross, did not return messages seeking comment. The NFL said it was looking into the incident while the NFL Players Association declined to comment.



Associated Press

Chicago Bears wide receiver Sam Hurd (81) was in jail Thursday after authorities accused him of trying to set up a drug distribution network in the Chicago area and arrested him after he allegedly agreed to buy a kilogram of cocaine from an undercover agent.

NFL BRIEFS

Gates five catches from breaking team record

SAN DIEGO — Antonio Gates is five catches away from breaking Charlie Joiner's San Diego Chargers team record for receptions.

Gates has 582 career catches going into Sunday night's home game against the Baltimore Ravens and their tough defense. Joiner had 586 catches from 1976-86, the final 11 seasons of his 18-year NFL career.

Joiner, a Hall of Famer who's the Chargers' wide receivers coach, said there's no better person to break his record than Gates. Joiner describes the star

tight end as both a magnificent player and a great person.

Broncos trying to buck trend of slow starts

ENGLEWOOD, Colo. — Tim Tebow has tried everything else. Now, he's going to set his alarm for the crack of dawn.

Maybe the early bird will get the offense rolling. With the Denver Broncos relying on his last-minute magic to pull off six comebacks in the eight games he's started, Tebow joked that maybe he should arrive at the stadium even earlier than he already does on game days.

-From wire reports

NFL Stats CENTRAL

NFL standings

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
New England	10	3	0	.769	396	274
N.Y. Jets	8	5	0	.615	327	270
Buffalo	5	8	0	.385	288	341
Miami	4	9	0	.308	255	246
South	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
y-Houston	10	3	0	.769	330	208
Tennessee	7	6	0	.538	266	251
Jacksonville	4	9	0	.308	193	252
Indianapolis	0	13	0	.000	184	382
North	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Baltimore	10	3	0	.769	320	202
Pittsburgh	10	3	0	.769	282	198
Cincinnati	7	6	0	.538	285	270
Cleveland	4	9	0	.308	178	254
West	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Denver	8	5	0	.615	269	302
Oakland	7	6	0	.538	290	354
San Diego	6	7	0	.462	324	299
Kansas City	5	8	0	.385	173	305

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
N.Y. Giants	7	6	0	.538	324	349
Dallas	7	6	0	.538	317	281
Philadelphia	5	8	0	.385	297	292
Washington	4	9	0	.308	229	290
South	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
x-New Orleans	10	3	0	.769	415	286
Atlanta	8	5	0	.615	300	267
Carolina	4	9	0	.308	313	355
Tampa Bay	4	9	0	.308	232	370
North	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
y-Green Bay	13	0	0	1.000	466	278
Detroit	8	5	0	.615	367	305
Chicago	7	6	0	.538	301	255
Minnesota	2	11	0	.154	274	364

Week 14 Quarterbacks

Att	Com	Yds	TD	Int	
Brady, HOU	496	328	4273	33	11
Schaub, NWE	292	178	2479	15	6
Roethlis, PIT	429	276	3526	21	11
Rivers, SND	480	302	3745	22	17
Mat. Moore, MIA	263	162	1864	10	6
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Dallas at Tampa Bay, 8:20 p.m.

Sunday, Dec. 18

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Seattle at Chicago, 1 p.m.
Cincinnati at St. Louis, 1 p.m.
Carolina at Houston, 1 p.m.
Green Bay at Kansas City, 1 p.m.
Tennessee at Indianapolis, 1 p.m.
Miami at Buffalo, 1 p.m.
Washington at N.Y. Giants, 1 p.m.
Detroit at Oakland, 4:05 p.m.
New England at Denver, 4:15 p.m.
Cleveland at Arizona, 4:15 p.m.
N.Y. Jets at Philadelphia, 4:15 p.m.
Baltimore at San Diego, 8:20 p.m.

Monday, Dec. 19

Pittsburgh at San Francisco, 8:30 p.m.

Thursday, Dec. 22

Houston at Indianapolis, 8:20 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 24

Oakland at Kansas City, 1 p.m.
Jacksonville at Tennessee, 1 p.m.
St. Louis at Pittsburgh, 1 p.m.
Denver at Buffalo, 1 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Carolina, 1 p.m.
Minnesota at Washington, 1 p.m.
Cleveland at Baltimore, 1 p.m.
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Arizona at Cincinnati, 1 p.m.
San Diego at Detroit, 4:05 p.m.
San Francisco at Seattle, 4:15 p.m.
Philadelphia at Dallas, 4:15 p.m.

Sunday, Dec. 25

Chicago at Green Bay, 8:20 p.m.

Monday, Dec. 26

Atlanta at New Orleans, 8:30 p.m.

NFL leaders

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Rushers

Player	Att	Yds	Avg	LG	TD
Jones-Drew, JAC	277	1222	4.41	41	7
R. Rice, BAL	234	1029	4.40	67	10
A. Foster, HOU	239	957	4.00	43	8
Fy. Mathews, SND	185	943	5.10	39	4
F. Jackson, BUF	170	934	5.49	80	6

ENTERTAINMENT

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Spotlight on PEOPLE

MTV names Perry artist of the year

NEW YORK — **Katy Perry's** run of No. 1 singles has earned her the distinction of becoming MTV's first artist of the year. Perry topped **Adele** after a spirited discussion among MTV's internal panel of experts, the network said Thursday. Adele's "Rolling in the Deep" was chosen top song of 2011, said **Amy Doyle**, the network's chief of music programming.

MTV also declared **Skrillex** its electronic dance music artist of the year over **David Guetta**.

Marsalis named TV correspondent

NEW YORK — Musician and educator **Wynton Marsalis** has been named as cultural correspondent for CBS News. The network said Thursday that Marsalis will report on a range of cultural and educational developments on "CBS This Morning" and "CBS Sunday Morning." His first appearance is scheduled for Jan. 16, as the nation observes the birthday of **Martin Luther King Jr.**

Marsalis has been associated with CBS News for a number of years. He has appeared on "60 Minutes," and it's his trumpet fanfare that opens "Sunday Morning" each week.

He is a composer and has been the artistic director of jazz at New York City's Lincoln Center since 1987. He has won nine Grammy Awards.

Ferrell tapped by Mardi Gras krewe

NEW ORLEANS — Comedian **Will Ferrell** has been named the god of wine for next year's Mardi Gras in New Orleans.

The Bacchus krewe of the popular Carnival season parade announced the choice Thursday. Ferrell rose to fame on "Saturday Night Live" and has had a string of movie hits including "Talladega Nights," "Old School," and "Anchorman."

Ferrell is currently in New Orleans shooting the movie "Dog Fight." Other comedians who have reigned as the god of wine over the years include **Bob Hope**, **Phil Harris**, **Billy Crystal**, **Jim Belushi**, **Drew Carey** and **Dom DeLuise**.

— From wire reports

'Golden' shortlist

'The Artist' leads Globes nominations

Associated Press

— BEVERLY HILLS, Calif.

Ah, Paris. City of Light. Land of romance. Gobbler of all the best Golden Globe nominations.

Presented by overseas reporters based in Hollywood, the Globes may be a worldwide affair; but this time, they have a real French flair: The silent film "The Artist," from French filmmaker Michel Hazanavicius, led with six nominations Thursday, while the field includes Woody Allen's French romance "Midnight in Paris" and Martin Scorsese's Paris adventure "Hugo."

Steven Spielberg has two nominees with French connections: the World War I epic "War Horse," set partly in France's countryside, and the animated tale "The Adventures of Tintin," based on comic-book stories created in Belgium.

"War Horse" and "Hugo" are up for best drama, along with two George Clooney films, the Hawaiian family story "The Descendants" and the political thriller "The Ides of March"; the 1960s



Associated Press

In this image released by Paramount Pictures, **Asa Butterfield** portrays **Hugo Cabret** in a scene from "Hugo." The film, adapted from **Brian Selznick's** award-winning illustrated book "The Invention of Hugo Cabret," is about a 12-year-old orphan who lives in a 1930s Paris train station. The film was nominated Thursday for a Golden Globe award for best motion picture drama. The Golden Globes will be presented Jan. 15.

racial saga "The Help"; and Brad Pitt's baseball tale "Moneyball."

"The Artist," "50/50" and "Midnight in Paris" are competing for the Globes' other best-picture prize —

for a musical or comedy. Also nominated are Kristen Wiig's wedding romp, "Bridesmaids," and Michelle Williams' Marilyn Monroe tale, "My Week with Marilyn."

GOLDEN GLOBE NOMINEES

MOTION PICTURES

- Picture, Drama: "The Descendants," "The Help," "Hugo," "The Ides of March," "Moneyball," "War Horse."
- Picture, Musical or Comedy: "50/50," "The Artist," "Bridesmaids," "Midnight in Paris," "My Week with Marilyn."
- Actor, Drama: George Clooney, "The Descendants"; Leonardo DiCaprio, "J. Edgar"; Michael Fassbender, "Shame"; Ryan Gosling, "The Ides of March"; Brad Pitt, "Moneyball."
- Actress, Drama: Glenn Close, "Albert Nobbs"; Viola Davis, "The Help"; Rooney Mara, "The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo"; Meryl Streep, "The Iron Lady"; Tilda Swinton, "We Need to Talk About Kevin."
- Director: Woody Allen, "Midnight in Paris"; George Clooney, "The Ides of March"; Michel Hazanavicius, "The Artist"; Alexander Payne, "The Descendants"; Martin Scorsese, "Hugo."
- Actor, Musical or Comedy: Jean Dujardin, "The Artist"; Brendan Gleeson, "The Guard"; Joseph Gordon-Levitt, "50/50"; Ryan Gosling, "Crazy, Stupid, Love"; Owen Wilson, "Midnight in Paris."
- Actress, Musical or Comedy: Jodie Foster, "Carnage"; Charlize Theron, "Young Adult"; Kristen Wiig, "Bridesmaids"; Michelle Williams, "My Week with Marilyn"; Kate Winslet, "Carnage."

- Supporting Actor: Kenneth Branagh, "My Week with Marilyn"; Albert Brooks, "Drive"; Jonah Hill, "Moneyball"; Viggo Mortensen, "A Dangerous Method"; Christopher Plummer, "Beginners."
- Supporting Actress: Berenice Bejo, "The Artist"; Jessica Chastain, "The Help"; Janet McTeer, "Albert Nobbs"; Octavia Spencer, "The Help"; Shailene Woodley, "The Descendants."

- Foreign Language: "The Flowers of War," "In the Land of Blood and Honey," "The Kid with a Bike," "A Separation," "The Skin I Live In."

- Animated Film: "The Adventures of Tintin," "Arthur Christmas," "Cars 2," "Puss in Boots," "Rango."

- Screenplay: Woody Allen, "Midnight in Paris"; George Clooney, Grant Heslov, Beau Willimon, "The Ides of March"; Michel Hazanavicius, "The Artist"; Alexander Payne, Nat Faxon, Jim Rash, "The Descendants"; Steven Zaillian, Aaron Sorkin, "Moneyball."

- Original Score: Ludovic Bource, "The Artist"; Abel Korzeniowski, "W.E."; Trent Reznor, Atticus Ross, "The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo"; Howard Shore, "Hugo"; John Williams, "War Horse."

- Original Song: "Hello Hello" (music by Elton John, lyrics by Bernie Taupin), "Gnomeo & Juliet"; "The Keeper" (music and lyrics by Chris Cornell), "Machine Gun Preacher"; "Lay Your Head Down" (music by Brian Byrne, lyrics by Glenn Close), "Albert Nobbs"; "The Living Proof" (music by Mary J. Blige, Thomas Newman, Harvey Mason Jr., lyrics by Mary J. Blige, Harvey Mason Jr., Damon Thomas), "The Help"; "Masterpiece" (music and lyrics by Madonna, Julie Frost, Jimmy Harry), "W.E."

TELEVISION

- Series, Drama: "American Horror Story," FX; "Boardwalk Empire," HBO; "Boss," Starz; "Game of Thrones," HBO; "Homeland" Showtime.

- Actor, Drama: Steve Buscemi, "Boardwalk Empire"; Bryan Cranston, "Breaking Bad"; Kelsey Grammer, "Boss"; Jeremy Irons, "The Borgias"; Damian Lewis, "Homeland."

- Actress, Drama: Claire Danes, "Homeland"; Mireille Enos, "The

- Killing"; Julianna Margulies, "The Good Wife"; Madeleine Stowe, "Revenge"; Callie Thorne, "Necessary Roughness."

- Series, Musical or Comedy: "Enlightened," HBO; "Episodes," Showtime; "Glee," Fox; "Modern Family," ABC; "New Girl," Fox.

- Actress, Musical or Comedy: Laura Dern, "Enlightened"; Zoey DeSchanal, "New Girl"; Tina Fey, "30 Rock"; Laura Linney, "The Big C"; Amy Poehler, "Parks and Recreation."

- Actor, Musical or Comedy: Alec Baldwin, "30 Rock"; David Duchovny, "Californication"; Johnny Galecki, "The Big Bang Theory"; Thomas Jane, "Hung"; Matt LeBlanc, "Episodes."

- Miniseries or Movie: "Cinema Verite," HBO; "Downton Abbey (Masterpiece)," PBS; "The Hour," BBC America; "Mildred Pierce," HBO; "Too Big to Fail," HBO.

- Actress, Miniseries or Movie: Romola Garai, "The Hour"; Diane Lane, "Cinema Verite"; Elizabeth McGovern, "Downton Abbey (Masterpiece)," Emily Watson, "Appropriate Adult"; Kate Winslet, "Mildred Pierce."

- Actor, Miniseries or Movie: Hugh Bonneville, "Downton Abbey (Masterpiece)"; Idris Elba, "Luther"; William Hurt, "Too Big to Fail"; Bill Nighy, "Page Eight (Masterpiece)"; Dominic West, "The Hour."

- Supporting Actress, Series, Miniseries or Movie: Jessica Lange, "American Horror Story"; Kelly Macdonald, "Boardwalk Empire"; Maggie Smith, "Downton Abbey (Masterpiece)"; Sofia Vergara, "Modern Family"; Evan Rachel Wood, "Mildred Pierce."

- Supporting Actor, Series, Miniseries or Movie: Peter Dinklage, "Game of Thrones"; Paul Giamatti, "Too Big to Fail"; Guy Pierce, "Mildred Pierce"; Tim Robbins, "Cinema Verite"; Eric Stonestreet, "Modern Family."

The Globes help narrow down prospects for the Academy Awards, whose nominations come out Jan. 24. If "The Artist" earns a best-picture nomination then, it will be the first silent movie with a serious shot at Hollywood's top prize since the first year of the Oscars, for 1927-28, when the silent flicks "Wings" and "Sunset" took top honors.

"It's really strange and rare to not hear anything in the theater," said "The Artist" star Jean Dujardin, a dramatic actor nominee for his role as a silent-era superstar whose career capsizes after talking pictures take over in the late 1920s. "It's a new visual and emotional experience for people."

The French connection this year comes heavily from U.S. filmmakers telling stories set in France. Scorsese earned a directing nomination for "Hugo," about an orphan boy living in a Paris train station, where he becomes caught up in a mystery surrounding French film trailblazer Georges Melies. Allen also made the directing cut for "Midnight in Paris," his first film shot entirely in France, the romantic fantasy following an American writer (Owen Wilson) whose nostalgia for the 1920s Paris of Hemingway and Fitzgerald leads him on time-bending adventures.

Florida LOTTERIES

SO YOU KNOW

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

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 14

Powerball: 2 – 24 – 46 – 52 – 56
Powerball: 19
5-of-5 PB No winner
No Florida winner
5-of-5 6 \$200,000
Lotto: 1 – 3 – 4 – 9 – 33 – 38
6-of-6 No winner
5-of-6 52 \$4,197.50
4-of-6 3,490 \$49.50
3-of-6 65,346 \$5
Fantasy 5: 2 – 3 – 5 – 6 – 30
5-of-5 1 winner \$244,342.31
4-of-5 504 \$78
3-of-5 12,480 \$8.50

TUESDAY, DEC. 13

Mega Money: 16 – 27 – 29 – 42
Mega Ball: 7
4-of-4 MB No winner
4-of-4 10 \$1,049
3-of-4 MB 59 \$388.50
3-of-4 1,128 \$60.50
2-of-4 MB 1,672 \$28.50
1-of-4 MB 14,252 \$3.50
2-of-4 32,255 \$2
Fantasy 5: 1 – 2 – 12 – 34 – 36
5-of-5 3 winners \$71,071.01
4-of-5 307 \$112

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

Today is Friday, Dec. 16, the 350th day of 2011. There are 15 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight:

On Dec. 16, 1811, the first of the powerful New Madrid earthquakes, with an estimated magnitude of 7.7, struck the central Mississippi Valley. (There were, according to the U.S. Geological Survey, three main shocks in all; the second struck in Jan. 1812 and the third was in Feb. 1812.)

On this date:

In 1653, Oliver Cromwell became lord protector of England, Scotland and Ireland.

In 1773, the Boston Tea Party took place as American colonists boarded a British ship and dumped more than 300 chests of tea into Boston Harbor to protest tea taxes.

In 1944, the World War II Battle of the Bulge began as German forces launched a surprise attack against Allied forces in Belgium (the Allies were eventually able to beat the Germans back).

Ten years ago: After nine weeks of fighting, Afghan militia leaders claimed control of the last mountain bastion of Osama bin Laden's al-Qaida fighters, but bin Laden himself was nowhere to be seen.

Five years ago: Ten players, including NBA scoring leader Carmelo Anthony, were ejected for fighting during a wild brawl near the end of a game between the Denver Nuggets and the New York Knicks.

One year ago: Interviewer Larry King, joined by a parade of former guests, concluded his CNN talk show after 25 years.

Today's Birthdays: Civil rights attorney Morris Dees is 75. Actress Liv Ullmann is 73. CBS news correspondent Lesley Stahl is 70. TV producer Steven Bochco is 68. Pop singer Benny Andersson (ABBA) is 65. Actor Ben Cross is 64. Rock singer-musician Billy Gibbons (ZZ Top) is 62. Actor Xander Berkeley is 56. Actor Sam Robards is 50. Actor Benjamin Bratt is 48. Country singer-songwriter Jeff Carson is 48. Rhythm-and-blues singer Michael McCary is 40. Country musician Chris Scruggs is 29. Actress Hallee Hirsh is 24.

Thought for Today: "It's discouraging to think how many people are shocked by honesty and how few by deceit." — Sir Noel Coward, English actor, playwright, composer (born this date, 1899; died in 1973).

Today's HOROSCOPE

Your Birthday: Certain alliances and/or relationships that you'll be establishing in the year ahead will prove to be extremely fortunate for all parties. The mutual reinforcement will pay off for everyone.

Sagittarius (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — Because your financial aspects are looking so encouraging at this time, you should look for new ways to better your lot in life. Don't waste this chance.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — An important upcoming involvement that includes a number of your friends will benefit if you take the reins. Everyone realizes this and won't make any bids for the top slot.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — Some kind of financial matter that you've viewed with distaste could make an abrupt turnaround for the better. There's a lesson to be learned from this.

Pisces (Feb. 20-March 20) — A role reversal is likely to

take place between you and someone who has long served as your instructor. You have some valuable information that they will want to learn from you.

Aries (March 21-April 19) — A pleasant surprise could be in the making. From out of nowhere, a debt or a reward that you thought would never be met will be paid in full.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) — Although you might not be very lucky on your own, someone you're with will be, and this person's good fortune is likely to rub off on you. Choose your companions with this in mind.

Gemini (May 21-June 20) — Wishful thinking might not be a frivolous pastime if it influences you to transform your fantasies into realities. Make your dreams count for something.

Cancer (June 21-July 22) — It's OK for your mind to operate on a philosophical level, because it could make you more effective and able to see past the mere outward

appearance of things.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) — You're likely to finally perceive how to circumvent some kind of stumbling block that has been vexing you in your work. Make your move with vim and gusto.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Continue to just be yourself, because it encourages you to do and say all the right things. The residual effects will be an increase in your popularity with your friends and workmates.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — When it comes to matters that pertain to your work, don't hesitate to improvise your way out of dilemmas. The way you handle things will be both constructive and resourceful.

Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — Smoother sailing is finally ahead, because the measures you take are likely to instill harmony in several areas of your life that have proven to be a bit tempestuous lately.

In Saturday's Classifieds

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Students dancing to 'different' tune

Dance school to perform 'Coppelia' this weekend

CAITLYN DUNNING
 For the Chronicle

For the 21st year, Victoria's School of Dance will host its annual recital.

In years past, dancers have presented fall recitals and a performance of "Secret River." However, this year, the dance school's owners wanted to do something a bit different.

This holiday season, Victoria's School of Dance will showcase "Coppelia" at 2 p.m. Saturday at Curtis Peterson Auditorium in Lecanto. Tickets are \$12 per person, cash only, at the door.

"Coppelia" is a contemporary story written in the 1800s about a toymaker, Dr. Coppelius, who has made a doll so real and lifelike that when he puts her out on the balcony to dry, the people of the village begin to believe she is real.

"We decided to do 'Coppelia' because it has a nice holiday undertone," Shalyn Barker, co-owner of Victoria's School of Dance, said. "Everyone does something like the 'Nutcracker,' so we wanted to do something a bit different."

This 19th-century story originally had four toys in the store; however, Barker and her students wanted to shake up the original storyline a little bit. "Coppelia" has a cast of 40 ranging in ages from 2 to 55.

"I incorporated more toys into the toy store for a different feel,"

Barker said. "We are aiming at a modern audience, and each of the three acts are to the point and only 20 minutes long."

"The performance is going to be a comedy, as the villagers go into the toy store to play a prank."

Several of Barker's students hail from Dunnellon or Citrus County. She said her studio is partnering with Williston School of Dance for this recital.

For more information, call 352-489-6756.

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Dancers Sara Schirmer, from left, Suzy Potts and Zoe Cahal, salute soldiers, from left, Micah O'Leary, Isabella Cole and Victoria Peterson during a dress rehearsal of "Coppelia," presented by Victoria's School of Dance. Students will perform the ballet at 2 p.m. Saturday at Curtis Peterson Auditorium.



Santa Claus ARRIVES AT RAINBOW SPRINGS

JULIE MANCINI/For the Chronicle

Santa and Mrs. Claus arrive at the state park upon their well-lit pontoon boat. The annual event, hosted by the Friends of the Rainbow Springs State Park, continues Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Gates open at 6 p.m. and the event wraps up at 8:30 p.m. Admission is \$1 for those 5 and older.

Annual Santa Over the Rainbow continues at state park

CAITLYN DUNNING
 For the Chronicle

If the madness of the Black Friday shopping frenzy has you feeling the winter blues, the Friends of Rainbow Springs have just the treat to get you back into the holiday spirit.

Once again, Rainbow Springs State Park will host its annual Santa Over the Rainbow event. There will be entertainment, shopping, food, a light extravaganza and photo opportunities with the guests of honor, Santa and Mrs. Claus.

"We have quite a few volunteers (who) help out," said FORS member Linda Booth, one of the event coordinators. "We have a wonderful lighting and construction crew. We have so many wonderful volunteers (who) help out with this every year; we get about the same volunteers; they do a fantastic job, and they've been doing this for a quite a long time."

"We get a lot of people coming from out of town, they come every single year. One couple comes



Music group Sue Ann Reichelt, Herb Reichelt, Greg Thomas and Tom Lorich perform at annual Santa Over the Rainbow.

every night, and they sit on the veranda and watch the kids go by."

Santa and his wife will be leaving their sleigh at the North Pole this year and arriving via pontoon boat to visit with all youngsters and those who are young at heart.

Santa will arrive each day at 7 p.m. Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Hours for the events will be from 6 to 8:30 p.m. Cost of admission into the park is \$1 for adults and children 5 and older; any child 5 and younger is free.

Photo opportunities with Santa

SANTA OVER THE RAINBOW

- **TIME:** 6 to 8:30 p.m. with Santa arriving at 7 p.m. each night
- **DATES:** Dec. 16 to 18.
- **COST:** \$1 for all ages 5 and older; any child younger than 5 free.
- **"LIGHTS ONLY:"** 6 to 8:30 p.m. Dec. 26 and 27.
- **CALL:** For more information, call (352) 465-8555.

and Mrs. Claus will be available at the Santa House each evening by Friends of Rainbow Springs Volunteers. Digital souvenir photos can be purchased for \$2 each. Parents are welcome to take their own photos in limited numbers. Well-behaved pets are welcome each night, but wait until the lines are shorter if you plan to have your photo taken with Santa.

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Band swings into season

Encore band to perform holiday music

KAREN KENNEDY-HALL
 Special to the Chronicle

If you assume playing and enjoying big band and jazz music from the 1930s and '40s is just for the young at heart, think again.

The Encore Swing Band of Inverness boasts 25 members ranging in age from 16 to 86 and will pack the house at 6 p.m. Friday at Calvary Chapel on U.S. 41 for its 11th annual "Swing in the Holidays" dinner and concert with dancing.

The band's signature tunes are Glenn Miller's "In the Mood" and the Andrews Sisters' World War II hit, "Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy."

In addition to the horns, including saxophones, drums, guitars, vocalists and piano are featured.

"After dinner, the Swing Band will start to play music — a few of our standards, most of it is holiday music in the big band style," founder and director Chaz Ianaci said.

Some of the group's standards include lots of songs of the Rat Pack — Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin — Rosemary Clooney and Nat King Cole, she said.

Holiday music includes such tunes as "Have a Cool Yule," a medley of "Santa Claus is Coming to Town," "Merry Christmas," "Silver Bells," "Silent Night" all in the jazz style, plus a piano solo of "Chestnuts Roasting on an Open Fire."

"We'll finish up the night with asking everyone to sing along with 'Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas,'" said Iannaci, who "occasionally sits in on trumpet or trombone."

The music and talent of the musicians attracted 18-year-old Dustin Ferguson of Lady Lake to join the band. A newcomer, he plays alto saxophone and is one of about a half-dozen teen and young adult members.

"I listen to a lot of jazz and I love it," said the senior at Leesburg High School, who is a member of the school's jazz band.

Although he's only been a member for a month or two, he's been to every Monday night rehearsal and is looking forward to his first gig.

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Parades sail down local waterways this weekend

Homosassa event starts at Bird Island

ROCHELLE KAISER
 Homosassa Beacon Editor

Gather the kids and a jacket to come down to the Homosassa River for the annual Homosassa Christmas Boat Parade at 6 p.m. Saturday.

Join residents along the banks of the river to enjoy decorated boats with bright lights and vari-

ous themes as they float down the river. Openings are still available to join in the parade. Just bring your decorated boat to Marker 75 at Bird Island to join in.

Brightly decorated boats will begin lining up at 5 p.m. Capt. Jeff Beeler will safely lead parade boats along the river past Riverhaven, MacRae's and Riverside Resorts. Boats will then turn around and pass by Seagrass before the finish line at Magic Manatee Marina. This parade route will only pass by MacRae's and Riverside Resorts once instead of

twice as it has in previous years.

"I've had people call me who have never done the parade before who are interested," said Ricky Olpinski, organizer. "The Freezer is donating all of the money we need to put this on, and the boats don't even go past their business."

Judges will be stationed at MacRae's, Riverside Resorts and Magic Manatee Marina. First-place residential winner will receive \$100, second place receives

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Crystal River boaters to float across King's Bay

CLAIRE PHILLIPS LAXTON
 Current Editor

Get your boat decorated and join the Crystal River Christmas Boat Parade on Saturday, Dec. 17.

According to Captain Suzie Martin, the boat parade kicks off at 6:15 p.m. and can be viewed by the public from anywhere on King's Bay including Crackers Restaurant, the Crystal

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THEATER

■ **"What in the Dickens Happened to Scrooge"** 3 and 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 17, and 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 18, at The Bridge Christian Life Center, 7279 Pinehurst Drive, Spring Hill, Florida 34606. A social event will happen before each performance. They include:

- 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 17, picture with Santa and a "Victorian" arts and crafts Fair.
- 7 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 17, a delicious dessert bar.
- 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 18, a Victorian tea including with tea biscuits and delectable

treats and tea. Bring own tea cup and saucer for high tea. Ticket prices are \$15 for adults, and \$5 for children 13 and younger. Student price for high school and college students with I.D. at \$10 one half hour before show time. For information and to order tickets, call (352) 593-0027 or purchase tickets in person at The Bridge on Tuesdays and Fridays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. starting Tuesday, Nov. 29.

■ **Auditions for "The Last Dance of Dr. Disco,"** a March dinner theater mystery production by Encore Ensemble Theater Inc., will be from 5 to 7

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p.m. Sunday, Dec. 18, and Jan. 8 at The Central Ridge Community Center in Beverly Hills. Men and women of all ages are encouraged to audition. Singing and dancing ability is a plus for a show with a 70s theme. For information, call director Jeri Augustine at 352-795-3077.

FESTIVALS

■ **26th Annual Hoggetowne Medieval Faire**, Jan.

28 and 29 and Feb. 4 and 5, at the Alachua County Fairgrounds in Gainesville. Special School Day celebration Friday, Feb. 3, features half-price tickets for guests. Faire hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays, and 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Friday, Feb. 3. Admission is \$14 for adults, \$7 for children ages 5 to 17 and free for children younger than 5. For more information, call (352) 334-ARTS or visit www.gvlculturalaffairs.org.

FARMERS' MARKETS

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

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

■ **Market Day with Art & Treasures**, an outdoor event with plants, produce, arts,

crafts, collectibles and more, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. second Saturdays on the grounds of Heritage Village, 657 N. Citrus Ave., Crystal River. Call 352-564-1400.

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

■ **Circle Square Commons Farmers' Market** new fall/winter hours, from 4 to 7 p.m. Thursdays. Winter hours end in May. For information, call (352) 854-3670 or visit www.CircleSquareCommonsFarmersMarket.com.

ENTERTAINING NOTIONS



Moschello's and Moschello's II

Moschello's Italian Restaurants in Homosassa and Beverly Hills offer a full menu, pizza by the slice and a casual, family atmosphere.

From appetizers to lunch specials to full dinner entrees, Moschello's has a corner on Italian favorites.

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Entrees range from \$7.00 to \$14.00. They also serve beer and wine.

Owners Cara and Ron Moschello have two locations. Cara manages their first at 3772 S. Suncoast Blvd. in Homosassa. Ron takes care of their new location in Beverly Hills at 750 W. Hampshire Blvd.

Originally from Long Island, the Moschellos came to Citrus County about eleven years ago. She said she had lived here before and her sister was in the first graduating class at Lecanto High School; she graduated the next year.

Ron Moschello managed the Mulberry Street Pizza and Italian restaurant for eight years in Suffolk County, Long Island. The couple has two sons, Ronnie and Charlie, both of whom work at the family owned and operated restaurants.

Moschello's is at 3772 S. Suncoast Blvd. (in the Winn-Dixie and Walmart shopping plaza), Homosassa. Hours are 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Friday and Saturday and closed Sundays. For information and carry-out orders, call (352) 628-7704.

Moschello's II is at 750 W. Hampshire Blvd. near the corner of County Road 491 in Beverly Hills, and has the same hours. Call 746-5000 for information or carry-out orders.

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SPECIAL INTEREST

■ **26th annual Weeki Wachee River Christmas Boat Parade**, 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 17, at Rogers Park, 7244 Shoal Line Blvd., Spring Hill FL 34607. To enter, bring a new unwrapped toy for Hernando County Dawn Center or cash donation. No charge to watch the parade at Rogers Park or Bayport Pier. For more information, call 352-596-2852 and ask for Jim Lanier Jr.

■ **Universal Orlando's Holidays** celebration from Dec. 3 to Jan. 1 includes:

● Macy's Holiday Parade at Universal Studios Florida.

● Mannheim Steamroller, masters of Christmas music, Music Plaza stage in Universal Studios on Dec. 17 and 18.

For more information, visit www.UniversalOrlando.com/holidays.

■ **Crystal River Preserve State Park boat tour**, 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, Crystal River Preserve State Park Visitor Center. \$10 for adults; \$8 for children age 7 to 12; free, children 6 and younger. Tickets go on sale in the Preserve Visitor Center one hour prior to departure; arrive no less than 15 minutes prior to departure. (352) 563-0450 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday or www.crystalriverstateparks.org.

■ **Mental Flossing**, an Inverness community-based Comedy-4-Charity theatre, will have "running auditions" at noon Sundays at the Community Center in Rain Tree Apartments (behind Winn

Dixie). These will continue until a full improv troupe is assembled. No experience necessary. For information or to register, email Sid@MentalFlossing.org and/or info@mentalflossing.org.

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

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

■ **The Florida Chapter of the National Historical Novel Society** meets at 1 p.m. the first Saturday monthly at Central Ridge Library in Beverly Hills. For more information, call Marian Fox at (352) 726-0162.

MUSEUMS

■ **"Phosphate Boom Years in Citrus County"** exhibit opens at 5:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 2 and runs through spring 2012 at Floral City Heritage Museum. Exhibit features the history of the phosphate industry in Citrus County and includes new photos and artifacts. The Museum is open for free from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. every Friday and Saturday and is in the new Town Center at 8394 E. Orange Avenue/County Road 48. For more information, visit www.floralcityhc.org or call Council Chairman and

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A Grinch at Christmas



Special to the Chronicle
A "Grinchmas Wholiday Spectacular," is a live stage show from Dec. 3 to Jan. 1 at Universal Studio's Islands of Adventure. For more information, visit www.UniversalOrlando.com/holidays.

BEST BETS

■ **Swing in the holidays** with the Encore Swing Band, Friday, Dec. 16, at Calvary Chapel Hall of Inverness, 960 S. U.S. 41. Dinner will be served at 6 p.m. Tickets \$15. Call 352-726-1480.

■ **Adopt a Christmas Tree** and light up the Beverly Hills Activity Center on Friday, Dec. 16. Official lighting of the trees by county commissioners, music and activities. The lighted trees will remain at the center for five days and then be delivered to local needy families. Call 352-746-1882.

■ **Homosassa Boat Parade**, 6 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 17. Event begins at Marker 75 by Bird Island and ends at Magic Manatee. For information, call 352-302-5779.

■ **Boat parade in Crystal River**, 6:15 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 17. It can be viewed from anywhere on King's Bay. Santa Claus will exit his boat at Cracker's with treats for children. For more information, call 352-586-8068.

■ **Light Shine Cultural Series** presents **The Joy of Christmas**, 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 18, at the Shepherd of the Hills Episcopal Church at 2540 W. Norvell Bryant Hwy, Lecanto. The celebration of music features organist Bill Kinley and soloist Stacey Adams. Free. For more information, call 352-527-0052.

■ **The Citrus Springs Christmas Parade**, 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 18. Parade begins at the Fountain and follows Citrus Springs Boulevard to Wesley Jones Park. For more information, call (352) 465-3123.

■ **Annual Celebration of Lights**, Dec. 19-24, 26, at Ellie Schiller Homosassa Springs Wildlife State Park. Thousands of holiday lights greet visitors to entertainment, concerts and festivities. For more information, call 352-628-5343.

Museum Director Frank Peters at 352-860-0101, email the-fchc@hotmail.com.

■ **"Scenes from the South: American Art from the Collection of James Fuller"** and **"For the Love of the Sea: Watercolors of Philip Steel"** are showcased in January at the Appleton Museum of Art, College of Central Florida.

"Scene from the South" will run through Jan. 15 with landscapes of the southern U.S. painted by some of the

country's finest artists. "For the Love of the Sea: Watercolors of Philip Steel" opens Jan. 21 and exhibits 35 original paintings produced by the award-winning New England artist whose nautical-themed works reflect his knowledge of the sea and deep respect for those who make a living from the ocean. Daily admission to the Appleton Museum is \$6 for adults; \$4 for seniors 55 or better and students 19 and over; \$3 for youths ages 10-18;

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■ **Ballroom and Latin Dance Social**, 7 to 10 p.m. every other Saturday, at Beverly Hills Recreation Center, 77 Civic Circle. Free half-hour lesson at 7 p.m. Free snacks and beverages. Cost \$8 per person. Call 352-746-5845 or visit www.ballroomsocials.com.

■ **Allan O'Neal** sings and deejays every first and third Saturday at Citrus County Builders Association, 1196 S. Lecanto Hwy. (County Road 491 across from Havana House Café) Lecanto. The next dinner dance is Dec. 17. Free dance lesson from 5 to 6 p.m. Saturday with June Queripel. Dancing from 6 to 10 p.m. Cost \$10 per person

including food and drinks Saturdays.

On Saturday, Dec. 17, the dinner dance is catered by Natalias Restaurant. Cost \$15 and advance ticket purchase recommended. Call Linda at 352-464-0004 in advance to reserve table for eight guests \$65.

Two tables of eight are available for New Year's. Cost is \$35 per person. Ten individual seats at singles table also are available.

■ **Coppélia**, the first and only comedic Ballet, 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 17, at Curtis Peterson Auditorium, Lecanto. Tickets are \$12 in advance for general admission to \$18 in advance for preferred seating. Call 352-489-6756 or visit www.vsdance.com for tickets.

■ **Afternoon tea dances** and classical ballroom music, twice a month at the community centers, hosted by deejay Sapphire. On the second Wednesday monthly, the tea dance is at Central Citrus Community Center, 2804 W. Marc Knighton Court,

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Lecanto 352-527-5993, at 1:30 to 4 p.m. On the last Friday monthly, the tea dance is at West Citrus Community Center, 8940 W. Veterans Drive, Homosassa. 352-795-3831, from 2 to 4 p.m.

\$5 per person with a portion of the proceeds to benefit In-

Home Senior Services. This is an all-year, ongoing ballroom dance.

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

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

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

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

■ **Citrus Squares**, 7 p.m. Thursdays, Fellowship Hall of the First United Methodist Church of Dunnellon, 21501 W. State Road 40, Dunnellon. 352-489-1785 or 352-465-2142.

■ **Spirit of Citrus Dancers'** dances are at the

Kellner Auditorium Jewish Center in Beverly Hills. Doors open at 6:45 p.m. A complimentary dance lesson at 7 p.m.; general dancing from 7:30 to 10 p.m. Admission \$6 for members; \$9 for non-members. Ice and coffee provided; sodas and bottled water are available for a small fee.

For information, call Barb and Jack at (352) 344-1383 or Kathy at (352) 726-1495 or visit www.socdancers.org.

New Year's Eve dance tickets on sale now for \$25; four tables of eight and one of 16 are set aside for singles. Chances for giveaways from local businesses. Call Linda at 352-464-0004 or 352-746-7560.

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

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ARTS & CRAFTS

■ **Spring Hill Art League and Easy Street Home Decor** will display **Valdora Ward's** for the month of December. An artist reception for her will be 5 to 7 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 17. Free. Refreshments served. Free drawing for an umbrella hand-painted by Ward. Easy Street Home Decor is at 100 N. Brooksville Ave., Brooksville. For information, call Sandra LaValley at 352-799-9690.

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

■ **Needlecraft Workshop of FCNA** offers instruction in quilting, embroidery, knitting, crochet and more, for beginners to advanced levels at no charge. This is a group of needle artists who like to share knowledge and experiences of their craft. The group meets from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. the second and fourth Tuesdays monthly at the Floral City Community House (between the library and the museum) on Orange Avenue. Call Beth for more information at (352) 344-5896.

■ **The Spring Hill Art League** artist **Laura Diehm** will have her artwork on display in December at Art, Craft, Bridal & Frame. The store is in Town Square Shoppers Mall, 3021 U.S. 19, Spring Hill.

■ Spring Hill Art League members **Grace Ashcraft, Beverly Fromal, Sandra La Valley, Virginia Phillips** and **Ellen Snyder** will have their artwork on display at the Rising Sun Café during December. The Rising Sun Café is at 10 South Main St. in Brooksville. For information, call Sandra La Valley at 352-722-9690.

ART CLASSES

■ Classes at **The Pink House Art Studio**, 8300 E. Magnolia, Floral City. For information or to register, email pinkhouseart@gmail.com or call Thelma Noble at 352-726-2431.

● **Beaded Bracelet Class**, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 12. Instructor Marcia Balonis. Student choice of one from Trio of Bracelets. Cost \$20 including materials. Beginners welcome. Prepaid advance registration required by Jan. 10. For information or to register call Thelma at 352-726-2431.

● **New Afternoon Needle Arts Group**, 12:30 to 4:30 p.m., second and fourth Tuesdays monthly. Group begins Jan. 10. All hand needle arts welcome such as knitting, crochet, embroidery, tatting, etc. Bring needle art project and \$2. Tea and coffee provided. For information or to register call Thelma at 352-726-2431.

■ **The Florida Artists Gallery**, at 7737 S. Old Floral City Road, Floral City, offers

several art classes taught by local artists. For more information about the classes, call 352-344-9300 or visit www.floridaartistsgallery.com. Upcoming classes include:

● **Experience landscape painting with acrylics**, 1 to 3 p.m. Tuesdays, beginners to advanced. \$15 per session. To register, call instructor **Connie Townsend** at 352-400-9757.

● **Acrylics and Oils painting class**, 1 to 3 p.m. every Tuesday with **Connie Townsend** for beginners to advanced. Cost \$15 per session. For information, call **Connie** at 352-400-9757.

● **Painting with Watercolor**, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., Thursdays, Jan. 5, 12 and 19. \$15 per person if prepaid; \$20 at the door. Instructor **Darla Goldberg**. Learn to enjoy the magic of watercolor painting. All levels of artists are welcome. Call **Darla Goldberg** at 352-341-6226.

● **Drawing with Ann**, 10 to 11:45 a.m. Saturdays, mornings Jan. 7, 14, 21 and 28 and Feb. 11, 18 and 25. \$20 per class or \$15 if paying in advance for month. Instructor **Ann Covington**. Charcoal, pencils and color pencils available. Class size is limited. For information, call **Ann Covington** at 352-726-2979.

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● **Journaling with Art**, 5 to 7 p.m. Wednesdays, Jan. 11, 18 and 25. \$20 per session. Instructor **Marti Estep**. Work with watercolor, pastel, collage, pen and paint. No art experience is necessary. Each session introduces new media and techniques. Poetry is woven throughout. Contact **Marti** at **artmarti@tampabay.rr.com** or call 352-419-5882.

● **Life Drawing**, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Monday, Jan. 16 and 23. \$10 per person per class if prepaid or \$15 at door. Instructor **Darla Goldberg**. Live model for class and a small model fee will be collected. Primarily a drawing class, but students can bring whatever medium they like. No photography permitted. Call **Darla Goldberg** at 352-341-6226.

● **PICASA Photo Improvement Workshop**, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Thursdays, Jan. 19 and 26. \$45 for the two sessions. Instructor **Gary Kuhl**. "Practical application" workshops with plenty of "online" demonstrations of how to improve the quality of photographs using free software accessible to anyone with the capability of online hookup to Google. One opportunity for "outdoor" photo shoot in area (minimal travel time). Contact **Gary** at **gwkuhl@gmail.com** or 352-232-0923.

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Spring Hill artist of month



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The Spring Hill Art League along with Art, Craft, Bridal and Frame, Spring Hill, had an artist reception for Spring Hill artist Linda Jaglois. Linda credits her passion for watercolor to her fascination for pastoral scenes with contours of the landscapes incorporating trees, flowers, water and gardens. She is a retired teacher and recent newcomer to the Spring Hill Art League. She maintains studios in Michigan and Florida.

Florida Citrus Campus offers creative art courses at **Cubby's Art Studio**, 1065 N. Paul Drive in Inverness. January classes include:

● **Introduction to Glass Fusing**, 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Tuesdays, Jan. 10 through 31. \$79. Students will learn types of glass, layering, and how to decorate and fire pieces.

● **Introduction to Mosaics**, 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Wednesdays, Jan. 11 through Feb. 1. \$50. Students will work with glass mosaics and apply them to a cement stepping stone; they will learn everything needed to create projects at home.

● **Stained Glass, Beginner/Advanced**, 6 to 8:30 p.m. Thursdays, Jan. 19 through Feb. 9. \$79. Students will learn the copper foil method of stained glass and will start with a sun-catcher or a small panel. To register or for information on other noncredit courses, call 352-249-1210 or visit **CFItraining.cf.edu**. The college will be closed Dec. 21 through Jan. 2 for winter break. Register online any time at **CFItraining.cf.edu**.

■ **Art Center Academy of the Arts** winter classes begin in January. Classes include: Courses for 17-year-olds to adults:

● **Painting with Acrylics**, 1 p.m. Mondays. Instructor **Sharon Harris**. Limit of 15 students. Materials not included. Call 352-527-9372.

● **Special Effects with Acrylics**, 3 p.m. Mondays. Instructor **Sharon Harris**. Limit of 15 students. Materials not included.

● **Dance improv/yoga**, 10:30 a.m. Mondays. Instructor **Karen Hedley**.

● **Acting**, 5 p.m. Tuesdays. Instructor **Mac Harris**. Limit of 15 students.

Courses for 8-year-olds to adults:

● **Dance Technique/Improv**, 10 a.m. Saturdays. Instructor **Jessica Watson**. Limit of 20 students.

● **Line Dance**, 11 a.m. Saturdays. Instructor **Chelsey Rigdon**.

Courses for youths ages 7 to 16:

● **Acting**, 4:30 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays. One course meets twice a week.

● **Youth Art**, Tuesdays. In-

structor **Sharon Harris**. Limit of 15 students.

● **Choral Voice**, 4 p.m. Thursdays. Instructor **Jackie Stevio**. Limit of 30 students.

Registration is open. Limited space is available, so register before Jan. 13 for winter courses. Academy fees are \$25 for each 12-week course. For information, visit **www.artcenter.cc**. To register, call the Art Center at 352-746-7606.

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

■ **Classes at The Garden Shed:**

● **Party Time painting classes**, 4 to 6 p.m. every Sunday. Supplies provided. Bring food and beverage of choice. Instructor **Ken Rogers**.

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■ **Art Center of Citrus County** art instruction classes conducted by private instructors in January:

● **Intermediate Water Color**, 9:30 a.m. Tuesdays, starting Jan. 10. Instructor **Ron Affee**. Four-week session at \$50 per session. Call 352-726-3137.

● **Basic Drawing**, 1 p.m. Tuesdays, starting Jan. 10. Instructor **Ron Affee**. Four-week session at \$50 per session. Call 352-726-3137.

● **Oil Painting Techniques**, 2 p.m. Wednesdays, starting Jan. 11. Instructor **Suzanne Mahr**. Six-week sessions at \$65 session. All levels of experience. Call 352-465-9391. Contact instructors for information and to register.

■ **Watercolor classes**, 1 to 4 p.m. Wednesdays, with instructor **Delores Witt**, at **Lorna Jean Gallery**, 6136 W. Gulf-to-Lake Highway, Crystal River. Call 352-564-2781 to register.

Music

■ **Swing in the Holidays** with the **Encore Swing Band** on Friday, Dec. 16, at Cal-

vary Chapel Hall of Inverness, 960 S. U.S. 41. Dinner served at 6 p.m. Beverages and desserts served all evening. Tickets are \$15. Call 352-726-1480.

■ **Downtown Countdown**, a free New Year's Eve celebration concert, 9 p.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 31, 2011, at **Bo Diddley Community Plaza**, on the corner of Southeast First Street and East University Avenue. Headlining the concert is the band **Fast Lane**. This six-piece band plays a blend of R&B, funk, soul and rock and roll. Opening for **Fast Lane** is the group **Couch Messiahs**. This Gainesville-based band plays a varied mix of classic rock, Americana roots music, R&B and country alternative. For more information or to schedule an interview, please contact **David Ballard** at 352-393-8746.

■ **The Country Sunshine Band**, 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Fridays, East Citrus Community Center, 9907 East Gulf-to-Lake Hwy. (State Road 44 East), Inverness. Call **Annie** at 352-465-4860.

■ **John Thomas Traditional Country Music Show and Jam**, 6 to 9 p.m. Mondays weekly, Oxford Community Center, 4027 Main St., Oxford. \$5. 352-560-7496.

■ **Pianist and singer Andrea** will perform an extended engagement in the east dining room every Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday beginning at 6 p.m. at **The Boathouse Restaurant**, 1935 S.E. U.S. 19, Crystal River, 34429. A dance floor is now available. No admission charge. Reservations are not necessary, but recommended for dining in the entertainment room. Call (352) 564-9636 for more information or go to **www.jazzyandrea.com**.

■ **Jazz pianist Terry Coats**, 5:30 p.m. every Thursday through Saturday in November and December, at **The Olive Tree Restaurant**, 963 N. Suncoast Blvd. (U.S. 19), in Crystal River. Reservations not necessary, but recommended on weekends. Call 352-563-0075 or visit **www.olivetreedining.com**.

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Dec. 19 through Dec. 24 (Christmas Eve.) and Tues., Dec. 27, 2011 - 5:30 - 9:00 pm

Featuring "Sebastian's Winter Wonderland," a Spectacular Synchronized Light and Sound display in the Garden of the Springs by Sebastian Hawes

Holiday music most nights in the Garden by DJ Joe Dube with special appearances by our nightly entertainment.

Refreshments available most nights at the Miss-L-Toe Cafe in the Garden

For more information, please call (352) 628-5343.

Sponsored by Friends of Homosassa Springs Wildlife Park and also the Citrus County Chronicle, Citrus 95.3 FM and Classic Hits 96.3 FM

Monday, Dec. 19: Hearts to Hands Deaf Choir performs in the Garden of the Springs
Tuesday, Dec. 20: Citrus Community Concert Choir performs in the Garden of the Springs.
Wednesday, Dec. 21: Toboggan Ice Slide and Six Tons of Snow! Taylor Eve and Sophie Robitaille performing in the Garden of the Springs.
Thursday, Dec. 22: Cajun Night with music by Cajun Dave, sponsored by Neon Leon's.
Friday, Dec. 23: Visit with Santa and Mrs. Claus and the Animals, sponsored by Wal-Mart of Homosassa Springs.
Saturday, Dec. 24: Non-denominational, Candlelight Christmas Eve service by Nature Coast Community Church starting at 6:30 pm. Please bring non-perishable food items to donate to the We Care Food Bank.

Tuesday, Dec. 27: After-Christmas Do-Wop party with DJ Joe Dube with special performances by Elvis (Billy Lindsay from Tampa) throughout the evening.

Suggested donations: \$3.00 for adults; \$1.00 for children ages 6 - 12; and children 5 and under are free.

Transportation will be provided from US 19 Visitor Center parking lot.

CHRONICLE

Lights, sounds fill local state park

Special to the Chronicle

HOMOSASSA — The annual Christmas Celebration of Lights featuring a spectacular, synchronized light and sound display in the Garden of the Springs by Sebastian Hawes will ignite next week at the Ellie Schiller Homosassa Springs Wildlife State Park in Homosassa.

The seven-evening event will be from 5:30 to 9 p.m. Monday, Dec. 19, through Dec. 24 and open once again Tuesday, Dec. 27. Holiday lights, decorations, music and refreshments will create the perfect setting for the holiday wonderland.

The Miss-L-Toe Café will be set up in the Garden of the Springs with a selection of holiday refreshments. Emcee Joe Dube will present special appearances by nightly entertainers. They include:

- Monday, Dec. 19 — Hearts to Hands Deaf Choir.
- Tuesday, Dec. 20 — Citrus Community Concert Choir.
- Wednesday, Dec. 21 — Sophie Robitaille and Taylor.
- Thursday, Dec. 22 —

Cajun Night with Cajun Dave sponsored by Neon Leon's.

■ Friday, Dec. 23 — Santa and Mrs. Claus will arrive with their animals to visit with children.

■ Saturday, Dec. 24 — The Nature Coast Community Church candlelight service in the Garden of the Springs.

■ Tuesday, Dec. 27 — After-Christmas Do-Wop party with DJ Joe Dube with special performances by Elvis (Billy Lindsay from Tampa).

A donation of \$3 for adults and \$1 for children ages 6 through 12 is suggested. Children age five and under are free.

For our visitors' convenience, transportation will be provided by tram from the Visitor Center parking lot on U.S. 19 to the West entrance on Fishbowl Drive. For more information, call the park office at 352-628-5343, ext. 1002, Mondays through Fridays.

Along with the park and Friends of Homosassa Springs Wildlife Park, other sponsors are the *Citrus County Chronicle*, Citrus 95.3 FM, Classic Hits 96.3 FM, Fun Oldies 102.7 FM, and WWJB 1450AM.

Parade to roll into Dunnellon

Marching starts at 5:30 p.m. on Saturday

JEFF BRYAN
Riverland News Editor

Charlene Williams is aiming for a "Family Tradition" style celebration Saturday night as the annual Dunnellon Chamber of Commerce Christmas Parade rolls along Chestnut Street and Pennsylvania Avenue.

And, she's not talking about a Hank Williams-style "Family Tradition." So, she said, leave your "rowdy friends at home." The theme for this year's parade is "Family Tradition," so chosen for this year's parade marshals, the Scally family, who are owners and operators of the famous Front Porch Restaurant and Scally's Lube and Go as well as Scally's Towing.

"They were chosen in honor of their dearly

beloved Stan Scally, who embraced the family values and traditions that our country was founded upon," Williams said about the family patriarch.

Kathleen Cunningham, one of his daughters, said it's an honor the family was chosen for the honor.

"We just appreciate the support of the town," she said. "We've been here a long time, love the Dunnellon area and the people. We just do what we do, try to make people happy and feed them good food. We try to take care of our obligations, try to make people happy. Family is family and family comes first. We were raised to help other people and that's what (we) live by."

The parade will start at 5:30 p.m. along Cedar Street and move toward Pennsylvania Avenue, where it will move east toward the Rainbow River. During the parade, all side streets along both streets will be closed. Williams said the parade will last up to an hour, at

which time the roads will reopen. She asks for courtesy and patience while the roads are closed for the event.

"It'll be for a short while, but we just ask that people are aware they'll be closed for a short time for this fabulous event," she said.

Williams said she's excited about the upcoming parade, her final one as chairwoman of the event after leading the charge for the past four years.

"Words cannot express my overall enjoyment and excitement about the parade," she said.

Among the groups and organizations that will follow the Scally family in the annual Christmastime event include: Dunnellon Police and Fire departments, Dunnellon High School Air Force Jr. ROTC, Scally's, Dunnellon High and Middle school marching bands, Queen of the Rainbow Danielle Prinz, Little Ms. and Mr. Dunnellon, Dunnellon Animal Hospital, Dunnellon Christian Academy,

Boys & Girls Club of Dunnellon, First United Methodist Church Youth Group, Cub Scout Pack 469, Dunnellon Women's Club, Viola Sofie, the Boomtown mayor, Cross at the River Cowboy Church with approximately 16 riders and two rodeo clowns, Sepulveda's ATA Martial Arts, the Kiwanis Aktion Club, the state Division of Forestry with Smokey the Bear, Meeks/Eason Family, Dunnellon 4-H and the Military Vehicle Preservation Association.

Girl Scout Troop 379 will sell drinks, food and glow necklaces and reindeer headbands during the parade to raise money Washington, D.C., for a once-in-a-lifetime trip to the 100th anniversary of Girl Scouts celebration.

The judge's station will again be in front of the *Riverland News*, a community partner.

For information about the Christmas parade, call the Dunnellon Chamber of Commerce at 352-489-2320.

MUSIC

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■ **Crystal River Music in The Park** is looking for any talented individuals or groups who would be willing to perform for two hours on the third Saturday of any month. All are invited to audition. For more details, call 352-601-3506.

■ **Woodview Coffee House**, at 2628 Woodview Lane, Lecanto, in fellowship hall of Unity Church of Citrus County, opens with a Talent Showcase of area musicians, starting when doors open at 6:30 p.m. Featured performers appear at 8 p.m. Admission \$5 per person. Refreshments available. In the new season, Woodview Coffee House will sometimes appear at the Old Courthouse in Inverness. Featured season performers and dates include:

- Jan. 6 — Rod MacDonald at Unity Church Fellowship Hall.

For more information www.woodviewcoffeehouse.org

or Woodview@tampabay.rr.com or 352-726-9814.

■ **Jackie Mason**, 8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 7, at Capitol Theatre. Tickets cost \$45 and \$35. Call (727) 791-7400 or visit www.atthecap.com for information.

■ **International concert organist David Hart**, 3 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 8, at First United Methodist Church, 1126 E. Silver Springs Blvd., (State Road 40), Ocala. Admission is free but a free-will offering will be taken. For information, call 352-537-0207.

■ **Gregg Allman**, 8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 14, Ruth Eckerd Hall. Special guest is Jaimoe's Jasssz Band. Reserved tickets \$69.50, \$42.50 and \$35. Call 727-791-7400, or visit www.rutheckerdhal.com.

■ **Gordon Lightfoot**, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 19, Daytona Beach Peabody Auditorium. \$48.65, \$67.10. www.ticketmaster.com.

■ **The Lennon Sisters**, 2:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 20, Daytona Beach Peabody Auditorium. \$43.50, \$49.65.

SWING

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"I love the music," he said, in particular the variety from jazz, Latin, salsa, rock, swing to slow waltz. "Here, I have to be independent. I love to hear all the individuals play. It really makes it easy to play music with each other and blend well."

He said he went to a rehearsal with other teens and they all joined the group.

What makes the Encore Band different than the school band is the influence of the older people who have much more experience and he loves hearing about all their connections and things they've done in the past.

"It's a very exclusive group, so we thought it was really cool and now we love it," said Ferguson, who will pursue music education in the fall at a Florida university. "The people there are really funny, especially when they tell you about the old days. It's cool."

Tickets for Friday's performance are \$15 and can be purchased at the door. The three-hour evening includes a complete chicken dinner, dessert and beverages.

"It's a lot of music and singing. They do a great job," said Brenda Reid, Calvary Chapel event coordinator. "We have a dance floor for them and they do their music, usually about 2 to 2 1/2 hours."

The band will share the profits with the nondenominational church as they use the facility free for weekly rehearsals.

"It's their way of giving back to the church," Reid said.

ENCORE SWING BAND

- 11th annual 'Swing in the Holidays'
- 6 p.m. dinner, concert, dancing.
- Calvary Chapel, 960 S. U.S. 41, Inverness.
- Tickets are \$15 at the door.
- Call (352) 341-6616 or (352) 726-1480.

About 125 people usually attend the concert.

"It's probably their people and friends, the community and our church family," said Reid, who grew up in the early 50s and loves the music.

CRYSTAL

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River Ale House and Marina, Dockside Ice Cream Shop, Pete's Pier and from the City of Crystal River's Roger Goettlemann Third Street pier.

"Anyone wanting to participate is welcome to meet with a decorated boat near the river markers in King's Bay beginning at 4:45 p.m.," she said.

The theme for this year's boat parade is "Christmas in Florida."

Children will see Santa on a boat that will have lots of Christmas caroling before he heads back to the North

Pole.

"Santa will exit at Crackers with treats for the kids," Martin said.

Prizes will be given for the best-themed boat and most lights. All participants are responsible for his or her vessel.

To register or for more information, call Martin at 352-586-8068 or visit <http://crystalriverboatparade.wikispaces.com/>

Claire Phillips Laxton is the editor of the *Crystal River Current*.

PARADE

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\$75 and third place will receive \$50. A commercial division offers the winners' name on a large traveling trophy and an advertising certificate donated by the *Citrus County Chronicle*.

Anyone wishing to enter their boat at the last minute may call ahead to make plans to meet other boats. Entries will be taken

up to the final minute. All residents are also invited to attend a special awards presentation at Magic Manatee following the parade. Every participant will receive a trophy.

"We are doing this for children and our local residents. It's a tradition in Homosassa," Olpinski said.

The boat parade is sponsored by The Freezer and the *Citrus County Chronicle*.

For information or to register for the parade, call Olpinski at 352-302-5779.



JULIE MANCINI/For the Chronicle

ABOVE: The visitor center at Rainbow Springs State Park is adorned with lights. RIGHT: Santa Claus visits with a young girl last year during Santa Over the Rainbow. The event will continue this weekend.



call (352) 465-8555.

Riverland News Editor

Jeff Bryan contributed to this report.

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Ball will benefit ACS

Special to the Chronicle

The Cattle Baron's Ball Committee for the 2012 American Cancer Society is planning its annual fundraiser for Feb. 11. The gala supports the local ACS, as well as contributes to research and advocacy in the fight against cancer.

The evening will include musical entertainment, games, activities and auctions, all to bring awareness to the mission of the American Cancer Society.

The theme for the 2012 festivities will be Heart of a Cowboy. There are many areas where Citrus County businesses and individuals can take part.

■ To reserve a table, seating eight, which includes cocktails and dinner, call 352-422-0356 or email diannebrashear@gmail.com.

■ For businesses and individuals wishing to become sponsors of this event, call 352-464-0983 or email kathybags@hotmail.com.

■ To contribute items for the live and silent auctions, call 352-422-4438 or email jen@citrusortho.net.

■ To find out more, call 352-422-0356 or email diannebrashear@gmail.com.

A Humane Society CENTRAL FLA.

Bailey



Special to the Chronicle

Bailey is a small, spayed, about 19-pound dog that every child should have instead of the tiny, very fragile little mini dog. She has a great disposition, is lovable, young, playful, sweet, patient, tolerant, forgiving, affectionate, housebroken, family oriented and loves kids, dogs and cats. She will enjoy the companionship of children of all ages and they will have a great friend in her, with whom to grow up. See Bailey and her Chihuahua friends at A Humane Society of Central Florida Pet Rescue Inc.'s weekly adoptions from 10 a.m. to noon Saturdays at Pet Supermarket, Inverness. Visit the website at AHumaneSocietyPetRescue.com.

Free toys, clothes, food

Annual Spot center party to be Dec. 23, 24

Special to the Chronicle

Even though economic times are causing budgets to dwindle, the giving spirit of the community is abundant. Join The Spot Family Center's seventh annual Christmas Jam and celebrate the reason for the season.

The Spot is at 405 S.E. Seventh Ave. in Crystal River in Jim LeGrone Park. The event dates are Dec. 23 and 24, from 5:30 until 9:30 p.m. both days.

You must register before 7 p.m. to participate.

The two-day event is free and includes a special Christmas message of hope and features live music, bounce

houses, clowns, Christmas crafts, popcorn, candy and more; groceries (while supplies last) on Dec. 23; wrapped presents on Dec. 24. Hot dinners and beverages will be served each night, and there will be a free community clothing giveaway.

On Christmas Eve, all children receive



presents (donated during the Spot Toy Drive). All teens and adults also receive a special Christmas gift.

To fund their mission, The Spot relies on several partner businesses, along with community support and donations. The Spot is still conducting the annual Spot Toy Drive, and is requesting new, unwrapped toys to give to children on Christmas Eve at the Jam.

Call 352-794-3870 for more information about donating, volunteering or attending the event.

Make a financial contribution toward the event by sending a check payable to The Spot Family Center, P.O. Box 2046, Lecanto, FL 34460.

TOY DRIVE DROP-OFF LOCATIONS:

- **Beverly Hills:** Backyard Pool and Spa, Pinch a Penny (Beverly Hills Plaza).
- **Citrus Springs:** Michael Paul Hair & Nail Studio.
- **Crystal River:** The Spot Family Center, Advanced Family Hearing, Blackshears Aluminum, Citrus Equipment, Nature Coast Bank, Hometown Athletics, Advanced Health, Crystal River Church of God, ERA Suncoast Realty, King's Bay Self Storage, TD Bank, Nails by Angela, Natalia's Pizza & Pasta, TLC Rehab, Sandy's Barber Shop, HomeTown Athletics and Orange Bank.
- **Hernando:** Cattle Dog Coffee Roasters, Neapolitan Ice Cream Shoppe and Nature Coast Bank.
- **Dunnellon:** TLC Rehab.
- **Homosassa:** TLC Rehab, Twisters Design Studio.
- **Inverness:** Dynabody Fitness Club, TD Bank, TLC Rehab, and Love Chevrolet.
- **Marion/Lake counties:** Various TLC Rehab locations.

To designate your business as a drop-off location, volunteer to help or for more information, call Evelyn Vissicchio, program director, at 352-794-3870, or email her at evthespot@yahoo.com.

Truckful of toys



Special to the Chronicle

Citrus Kia employees gather in front of a truckful of toys they collected for the area Toys for Tots drive. Toys will be collected at the dealership on U.S. 19 through Monday, according to General Manager Gary Sweigart.

Candlelight memorial service set for Dec. 22

Special to the Chronicle

The Hunger & Homeless Coalition of Citrus County will host a Candlelight Memorial service at 6 p.m. Thurs-

day, Dec. 22, to remember the homeless who died this year.

The service will take place in front of the Old Hernando School in Hernando near the traffic light. All coal-

itions in the country join in this annual remembrance on the first day of winter. The public is invited.

For more information, call Jane at (352) 746-7416.

Religion NOTES

Congregation Beth Shalom

The public is invited to an outdoor Hanukkah Candle Lighting and Celebration at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 20, at the Old Courthouse in downtown Inverness. There will be music, potato pancakes and doughnuts.

Hanukkah Shabbat Dinner — Join us for a traditional Shabbat dinner as we also celebrate Hanukkah at 5 p.m. Friday, Dec. 23, in Kellner Auditorium. Greek salad/pita and dip, grilled salmon, vegetarian lasagna with Alfredo sauce, potato latkes with apple sauce and sour cream, dessert, beverages, wine/hallah are on the menu. Catered by Joe's Family Restaurant. Cost is \$20 for adults; children younger than 13 eat for \$10. Deadline for RSVPs is Dec. 19. Call Eileen at 352-637-3947 or eileensilverstein8@gmail.com.

The fall semester of the Etz Hayim Institute-Adult Education Program of Congregation Beth Shalom continues Monday evenings:

"Medieval Jewish History" covers 1,300 years as students gain an insight into how the Dark Ages in European history was a period of "light" for Jewish history. Time is 7 to 8 p.m.; 20 sessions.

"Studies in Bible — The Writings (Part 2)" is a survey course on seven books of the last section of the Bible — The Writings. Time is 8:15 to 9:15 p.m.; 14 sessions.

Classes are open to the community. Each class is \$5 per session, plus textbook. Register by email to mkamlot2@gmail.com or call 352-643-0995.

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

The address is 102 Civic Circle, Beverly Hills. Call 352-643-0995 or 352-746-5303.

Inverness SDA

Saturday Sabbath school starts at 9:10 a.m.; Saturday Children's classes begin at 9:30; Toddler class at 9:45; adult Bible study at 9:50 a.m.

Former Pastor Hershel Mercer will offer the sermon on "It is What it Is" at 11 a.m. Vespers will be at 5 p.m. in the sanctuary.

Prayer meeting is at 6 p.m. Wednesday. Thrift store is open 9 a.m. to noon Wednesday. The Health Food Store is open 9 a.m. to noon and re-

opens again at 7 p.m. Wednesday. The Health Food Store is also open after Vespers on Saturday.

The church is at 638 S. Eden Gardens, 4.5 miles east of Inverness off State Road 44.

The church phone number is 352-726-9311. See www.sda-inverness.org.

Hernando SDA

Hernando Seventh-day Adventist services start at 11 a.m. Saturday. A fellowship luncheon will follow the service.

The adult Bible study begins at 9:15 a.m. Saturday with a song service, followed by a short program and then main Bible study at 10 a.m. Classes for children are at 9:30 a.m.

The church is at 1880 N. Trucks Ave., west of Hernando; phone 352-344-2008.

Glad Tidings

Sabbath school begins at 9 a.m. Saturday with song, then study at Glad Tidings Church. Divine hour follows at 11 a.m. Elder Zaremsky will bring the "bread of life" this Sabbath. A vegan lunch will follow.

Bible study is at 6 p.m. Thursday. All are invited. CHIP (Coronary Health Improvement Program) alumni meet at 5 p.m. the first Monday monthly. Interested persons are invited.

For information, call Bob at 352-628-1743. The church is at 520 N.E. Third Ave., Crystal River (behind the Gettin' Place Pawn Shop).

Homosassa SDA

There will be a special Christmas program at the 11 a.m. divine service Saturday.

The Sabbath school program at 9:30 a.m. will be with Susanne Adams. Sabbath school study begins at 10 a.m. with Andy Roberts on "Living by the Spirit." Sue Halstead will talk about "A Colossal City in Space" at the 10 a.m. adult beginners Bible study class.

Men's study group is at 6:30 p.m. Thursday. Call Bob Halstead at 352-382-7753. The church is at 5863 Cardinal St., Homosassa.

Advent Hope

Bible study is at 10 a.m. Saturday for all ages. The worship service begins at 11:30 a.m. After the service, there is a weekly potluck to which all are invited.

Vegetarian store is open from 10 a.m. to noon each Wednesday. The church is at 428 N.E. Third Ave., Crystal River. Call 352-794-0071 or visit online at www.adventhopechurch.com.

News NOTES

ReStores to close for holidays

Habitat for Humanity ReStores in Inverness and Crystal River will close at 2 p.m. Friday, Dec. 16. Normal hours will resume on Saturday, Dec. 17, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Christmas week, both stores will close at 1 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 24, Christmas Eve, and Saturday, Dec. 31, New Year's Eve.

Habitat's Crystal River ReStore is at 7800 W. Gulf-to-Lake Highway; phone 352-564-2300. Habitat's Inverness ReStore is at 3685 E. Forest Drive; phone 352-341-1800.

Drill team to appear in show

BROOKSVILLE — Citrus Stampede Rodeo 4-H Drill Team will take part in the "Night of Amazing Horses" Saturday, Dec. 17, at Hernando County Fairgrounds, Brooksville. The show begins at 6 p.m.

In addition to the drill team, there will be performances by Loyal Repensky Riders, Maverick the Wonderdog, Incredible Liberty and more.

For advance tickets, visit the website at www.equine-extremist.com. Advance tickets are \$8 for seniors and children; \$13 for adults. Tickets at the door are \$10 for seniors and children; \$15 for adults.

Habitat to raise walls for No. 74

Habitat for Humanity of Citrus County will raise the walls on house No. 74 for the Lozoya family at 8 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 17, at 8656 N. Buscetta Loop, Crystal River. Habitat volunteers, friends, family and everyone interested in Habitat for Humanity's work are invited to attend and help.

For driving directions, call the Habitat office at 352-563-2744, or visit the website at www.habitatcc.org.

Sale to benefit Relay team

Inverness Relay For Life, Stevenson Family Team, will have a yard/garage sale from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Friday, Dec. 16, and Saturday, Dec. 17, at 3708 S. College Ave. off South Apopka Avenue.

Many items will be available including Christmas items, household, knick knacks, linens, girls' clothing, women's clothing, CDs, cassette tapes, toys and books.

Absolutely no early birds. All proceeds go to American Cancer Society's Inverness Relay For Life.

Inverness Relay For Life will be April 20, 2012. Team are being recruited now. To participate and for more information, call the American Cancer Society at 352-637-5577 or 800-227-2345.

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(WFTS) ABC 23	11	11			11	11	ABC Action News at 6 PM	ABC World News	Wheel of Fortune (N) 'G'	Jeopardy! (N) 'G'	Extreme Makeover: Home Edition "Rhodes Family, Part 1" (N) 'PG'	Extreme Makeover: Home Edition "Rhodes Family, Part 2" (N) 'PG'	20/20 Maternal health. (N) (In Stereo) 'PG'		ABC Action News at 11 PM		Nightline (N) 'PG'		
(WMOR) IND 25	12	12					Family Guy '14' 'PG'	Family Guy '14' 'PG'	The Big Bang Theory 'PG'	The Big Bang Theory 'PG'	Law & Order: Criminal Intent Hunt for a con man's killer. '14' 'PG'	Law & Order: Criminal Intent Exiled pedophile confesses. '14' 'PG'	How I Met Your Mother '14'	How I Met Your Mother '14'	The Office 'PG'		The Office 'PG'		
(WTTA) MNT 28	6	6	6	6	9		Love-Raymond	Seinfeld 'PG'	Family Feud	Family Feud	Monk (In Stereo) 'PG'	Monk (In Stereo) 'PG'	Excused '14'	Seinfeld 'PG'	Excused '14'		Scrubs 'PG'		
(WACX) TBN 40	21	21	21	21			The Faith Show	The 700 Club 'PG'	Variety	Variety	Connection 'Jump Ministries	Jewish Voice	Wisdom Keys	Gaither Gospel Hour 'G'	Variety		Times Ministries		
(WTOG) CW 42	4	4	4	4	12	12	The King of Queens 'PG'	The King of Queens 'PG'	Two and a Half Men '14' 'PG'	Two and a Half Men '14' 'PG'	Nikita "Falling Ash" Nikita and Michael run into Owen. '14' 'PG'	Supernatural Sam suffers from hallucinations. (In Stereo) '14' 'PG'	Friends 'PG'	Friends 'PG'	The Simpsons 'PG'		According to Jim 'PG'		
(WYKE) FOX 47	16	16	16	16			JUNK'D 'G'	I.N.N. News	Your Citrus County Court	Florida Naturally	Crosswords	Hangin With the Homeless	Treasure Hunters Roadshow		Movie 'MA'				
(WOGX) FOX 51			13	13	7	7	The Simpsons	The Simpsons	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	"Happiness Is a Warm Blanket"	Ice Age: Xmas	The Simpsons		FOX 35 News at 10 (N) 'PG'		TMZ (N) 'PG'	Access Hollyw'd	
(WVEA) UNI 52	15	15	15	15	15	15	Noticias	Noticiero Univ.	Cuando Me Enamoro (N) '14'	Una Familia con Suerte (N) 'PG'	La Fuerza del Destino (N) '14'	Protagonistas 'PG' (SS)		Noticias		Noticiero Univ.			
(WXPX) ION 55	17						Ghost Whisperer 'PG'		Flashpoint "The War Within" '14'	Flashpoint (In Stereo) 'PG'	Flashpoint (In Stereo) 'PG'	Criminal Minds "Plain Sight" 'PG'	Criminal Minds 'PG'		Flashpoint "The War Within" '14'				
(A&E)	54	48	54	54	25	27	Criminal Minds "Mayhem" '14'		Criminal Minds "Soul Mates" '14'	"Stephen King's Bag of Bones" (2011, Suspense) Pierce Brosnan, Melissa George. A troubled author communicates with his late wife. 'PG-13'									
(AMC)	55	64	55	55			*** "Mission: Impossible" (1996)		Tom Cruise. PG-13 'PG'	*** "The Aviator" (2004, Biography) Leonardo DiCaprio. Premiere. Howard Hughes produces movies and flies airplanes. PG-13 'PG'									
(ANI)	52	35	52	52	19	21	Fatal Attractions '14'		Fatal Attractions 'PG'	Fatal Attractions (In Stereo) '14'	Fatal Attractions (In Stereo) '14'	My Extreme Animal Phobia 'PG'	My Extreme Animal Phobia 'PG'						
(BET)	96	19	96	96			106 & Park: BET's Top 10 Live 'PG'			*** "Undercover Brother" (2002) Eddie Griffin. Premiere. PG-13 'PG'		*** "King's Ransom" (2005, Comedy) Anthony Anderson. PG'							
(BRAVO)	254	51	254	254			The Real Housewives of Atlanta	The Real Housewives of Atlanta	The Real Housewives of Atlanta	The Real Housewives of Atlanta	**** "The Silence of the Lambs" (1991, Suspense) Jodie Foster, Scott Glenn. R' 'PG-13'	**** "Angels & Demons" (2009, Thriller) Tom Cruise, Ewan McGregor. PG-13 'PG'							
(CC)	27	61	27	27	33		Daily Show	Colbert Report	30 Rock 'PG'	30 Rock 'PG'	Tosh.0 '14'	Tosh.0 '14'	Tosh.0 '14'	Daniel Tosh: Completely Serious	Dane Cook Vicious Circle The comic performs. MA'				
(CMT)	98	45	98	98	28	37	*** "Urban Cowboy" (1980, Drama)	John Travolta. A Texas oil worker looks for love at a popular honky-tonk. 'PG'						*** "Pure Country" (1992, Drama) George Strait, Lesley Ann Warren. PG'					
(CNBC)	43	42	43	43			Mad Money (N)	Report	Trading-Globe	American Greed	American Greed	Crime Inc. "Stolen Goods"		Mad Money					
(CNN)	40	29	40	40	41	46	John King, USA (N)	Erin Burnett OutFront (N)	Anderson Cooper 360 (N)	Anderson Cooper 360 (N)	Piers Morgan Tonight (N)	Anderson Cooper 360		Erin Burnett OutFront					
(DISN)	46	40	46	46	6	5	Shake It Up! 'G'	Good-Charlie	Austin & Ally 'G'	Austin & Ally 'G'	Phineas, Ferb	A.N.T. Farm 'G'	*** "The Game Plan" (2007) Dwayne Johnson. PG'		Austin & Ally 'G'		Austin & Ally 'G'		
(ESPN)	33	27	33	33	21	17	SportsCenter (N) (Live) '14'		To Be Announced										
(ESPN2)	34	28	34	34	43	49	NFL32 (N) (Live) 'PG'		NFL Kickoff (N) (Live) 'PG'		College Football NCAA Division I, First Semifinal: Teams TBA. (N) (Live) 'PG'				SportsCenter (N) (Live) '14'				
(EWTN)	95	70	95	95			Church-Poor	Ascent-Mount	Daily Mass: Our Lady	Life on the Rock 'G'	Catholicism	The Holy Rosary	John of the Cross A biography.		Reflections		Women of		
(FAM)	29	52	29	29	20	28	Mickey's	Mickey Ch	*** "Beauty and the Beast" (1991)	Voices of Paige O'Hara. 'G'	*** "Up" (2009, Comedy) Voices of Ed Asner. Premiere. PG'				The 700 Club 'PG'				
(FNC)	44	37	44	44	44	32	Special Report With Bret Baier (N)	FOX Report With Shepard Smith	The O'Reilly Factor (N) 'PG'	Hannity (N)	On Record, Greta Van Susteren				The O'Reilly Factor				
(FOOD)	26	56	26	26			Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Best Thing Ate	Best Thing Ate	Bama Glama	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives	Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives				
(FSNFL)	35	39	35	35			XTERRA Advent.	Sports Stories	Football Preview	Football Weekly	High School Football Texas UIL Championship Class 4A DI: Teams to Be Announced. (N) (Live) 'PG'								
(FX)	30	60	30	30		51	*** "Deck the Halls" (2006, Comedy)	Danny DeVito. PG'			*** "Christmas With the Kranks" (2004, Comedy) Tim Allen. PG'		*** "Christmas With the Kranks" (2004, Comedy) Tim Allen. PG'						
(GOLF)	67						Golf Central (N) 'PG'	Playing Lessons	Golf Academy	Golf Academy	Golf Now 'G'	Golf JBWere Masters, Third Round. (N) (Live) 'PG'							
(HALL)	39	68	39	39	45	54	*** "The Good Witch's Gift" (2010, Drama)	Catherine Bell. 'PG'			*** "Annie Claus Is Coming to Town" (2011) Maria Thayer. 'PG'				*** "Battle of the Bulbs" (2010, Comedy-Drama) Daniel Stern. 'PG'				
(HBD)	302	201	302	302	2	2	*** "Bend It Like Beckham" (2002)	Parminder Nagra. A teen hides her soccer-playing from her strict parents. (In Stereo) PG-13 'PG'		24/7 Flyers/Rangers: Road to the NHL Winter Classic PG-13 'PG'	The Life & Times of Tim	*** "The Adjustment Bureau" (2011) Matt Damon. A man battles the agents of Fate to be with the woman he loves. PG-13 'PG'		The Life & Times of Tim					
(HGTV)	23	57	23	23	42	52	Hunters Int'l	Hunters Int'l	Hunters Int'l	Hunters Int'l	Hunters Int'l	Hunters Int'l	Hunters Int'l	Hunters Int'l	Hunters Int'l				
(HIST)	51	25	51	51	32	42	American Pickers '14'	Restoration	Restoration	Pawn Stars 'PG'	Pawn Stars 'PG'	Real Deal 'PG'	Real Deal 'PG'	Invention USA	Invention USA	IRT Deadliest Roads '14'			
(LIFE)	24	38	24	24		31	Unsolved Mysteries '14'		Unsolved Mysteries '14'		America's Most Wanted '14'		America's Most Wanted (N) 'PG'		Starving Secrets		Unsolved Mysteries '14'		
(LMN)	50						*** "James Patterson's Sundays at Tiffany's" (2010)	Alyssa Milano. A woman's imaginary friend from childhood returns as a man. 'PG'			*** "Nothing Like the Holidays" (2008) John Leguizamo. Members of a Chicago family reunite for Christmas. PG-13 'PG'				*** "Under the Mistletoe" (2006, Drama) Jaime Ray Newman. A woman unwittingly enters a dating contest on a radio station. NR 'PG'				
(MAX)	320	221	320	320	3	3	*** "The Nutty Professor" (1996)	Eddie Murphy. A plump scientist transforms himself into a svelte swinger. (In Stereo) PG-13 'PG'			*** "The Lost World: Jurassic Park" (1997) Jeff Goldblum. An expedition returns to monitor dinosaurs' progress. PG-13 'PG'			Strike Back A double-cross involving Hasani. (In Stereo) MA' 'PG'		Lingerie "The Morning After"		Life on Top "Vajazzled" MA'	
(MSNBC)	42	41	42	42			PoliticsNation (N)	Hardball With Chris Matthews	The Ed Show (N)	The Rachel Maddow Show (N)			MSNBC Documentary	MSNBC Documentary					
(MTV)	97	66	97	97		39	That '70s Show	That '70s Show	Beavis	Beavis	Ridiculousness	Ridiculousness	Ridiculousness	Ridiculousness	*** "Bam Margera Presents: Where the ... Is Santa?" (2008, Comedy) R'				
(NGC)	65				44	53	Drugs, Inc. "Meth" '14'		Jesus' Tomb 'PG'		To Catch a Smuggler 'PG, L'	Locked Up Abroad '14'		Drugs, Inc. "Heroin" Heroin. '14'		To Catch a Smuggler 'PG, L'			
(NICK)	28	36	28	28	35	25	Victorious 'G'	Victorious 'G'	iCarly 'G'	iCarly 'G'	Kung Fu Panda	SpongeBob	That '70s Show	George Lopez	George Lopez	Friends 'PG'	Friends 'PG'		
(OXY)	44						*** "Legends of the Fall" (1994, Drama)	Brad Pitt. R' 'PG'			*** "Troy" (2004) Brad Pitt. Premiere. Achilles leads Greek forces in the Trojan War. R' 'PG'				*** "Troy" (2004) Brad Pitt. R'				
(SHOW)	340	241	340	340			*** "Letters to Juliet" (2010, Drama)	Amanda Seyfried. iTV. A young woman finds an old note to someone's lover. (In Stereo) PG-13 'PG'			*** "3 Backyards" (2010, Drama) Embeth Davidtz. Three people experience a curious day in a small town. R' 'PG'		*** "The Switch" (2010, Romance-Comedy)	Jennifer Aniston. iTV. (In Stereo) PG-13 'PG'		*** "Faster" (2010, Action) Dwayne Johnson. iTV. R'			
(SPEED)	122	112	122	122			Chop-Rebuild	Chop-Rebuild	Chop-Rebuild	Chop-Rebuild	NASCAR Hall of Fame Biography	NASCAR Hall of Fame Biography	NASCAR Hall of Fame Biography	NASCAR Hall of Fame Biography	NASCAR Hall of Fame Biography				
(SPIKE)	37	43	37	37	37	36	DEA "Marijuana Grow House" '14'		DEA (In Stereo) '14'		*** "Star Wars: Episode I - The Phantom Menace" (1999, Science Fiction)	Liam Neeson, Ewan McGregor. (In Stereo) PG'			DEA '14'				
(SUN)	36	31	36	36			Future Phenoms	Tampa-Sports	High School Football Florida Class 7A Championship: Teams TBA. (N) (Live) 'PG'		WWE Friday Night SmackDown! (N) (In Stereo) 'PG'			Sanctuary "The Depths" (N) 'PG'		Haven "Silent Night"			
(SYFY)	31	59	31	31	26	29	*** "Jeepers Creepers 2" (2003, Horror)	Ray Wise. R' 'PG'			House of Payne	House of Payne	House of Payne	Better Worse	Better Worse	*** "Anchorman: Legend of Ron" (2010, Comedy) Will Ferrell, James Caan. PG-13 'PG'			
(TBS)	49	23	49	49	16	19	King of Queens	King of Queens	Seinfeld 'PG'	Seinfeld 'PG'	*** "The Bishop's Wife" (1947, Fantasy)	Cary Grant, Loretta Young. An angel lends a hand in funding a new church. NR 'PG'		*** "Christmas in Connecticut" (1945, Comedy)	Barbara Stanwyck. A newspaper columnist is made to play host to a war hero. NR 'PG'				
(TCM)	169	53	169	169	30	35	*** "The Wet Parade" (1932, Drama)	Walter Huston, Dorothy Jordan. Prohibition is revealed as no solution to alcohol abuse. NR 'PG'			Gold Rush "Gold At Last" 'PG'	Gold Rush "On the Gold" (N) 'PG'		Flying Wild Alaska (N) 'PG'		Gold Rush "On the Gold" 'PG'			
(TDC)	53	34	53	53	24	26	Gold Rush "Drill or Die" 'PG'		Gold Rush "Lovestruck" 'PG'		Gold Rush "Gold At Last" 'PG'	Gold Rush "On the Gold" (N) 'PG'		Flying Wild Alaska (N) 'PG'		Gold Rush "On the Gold" 'PG'			
(TLC)	50	46	50	50	29	30	Toddlers & Tiaras 'PG'		Say Yes, Dress	Say Yes, Dress	Say Yes, Dress	Say Yes, Dress	Say Yes: Bliss	Brides-Hills	Brides-Hills	Say Yes, Dress	Say Yes: Bliss		
(TNT)	48	33	48	48	31	34	Law & Order "Corner Office" '14'		Law & Order "Venom" '14'		Christmas in Washington 2011 'G'	*** "Fred Claus" (2007, Comedy)	Vince Vaughn, Paul Giamatti. PG-13 'PG'		Christmas 2011				
(TRAV)	9	54	9	9		44	Ghost Adventures 'PG'		The Dead Files 'PG'		Ghost Adventures "Rose Hall"	Ghost Adventures (N) 'PG'		The Dead Files 'PG'		Ghost Adventures 'PG'			
(truTV)	25	55	25	25	98	98	World's Dumbest... '14'		Wipeout (In Stereo) 'PG'		Wipeout (In Stereo) 'PG'	Wipeout (In Stereo) 'PG'		Imp. Jokers	Imp. Jokers	Forensic Files	Forensic Files		
(TVL)	32	49	32	32	34	24	M*A*S*H 'PG'		M*A*S*H 'PG'		Roseanne 'PG'	Roseanne 'PG'		Love-Raymond	Love-Raymond	King of Queens	King of Queens		
(USA)	47	32	47	47	17	18	NCIS "Switch" '14'		NCIS "Under Covers" 'PG'		NCIS "Probies" '14'	*** "Elf" (2003, Comedy)	Will Ferrell, James Caan. PG-13 'PG'		CSI: Crime Scene Investigation		CSI: Crime Scene Investigation		
(WE)	117	69	117	117			Charmed (In Stereo) 'PG'		Charmed "Little Monsters" 'PG'		Frasier 'PG'	Frasier 'PG'		Frasier 'PG'		Frasier 'PG'			
(WGN-A)	18	18	18	18	18	20	30 Rock '14'		30 Rock '14'		America's Funniest Home Videos	How I Met		How I Met		30 Rock '14'		Scrubs '14'	

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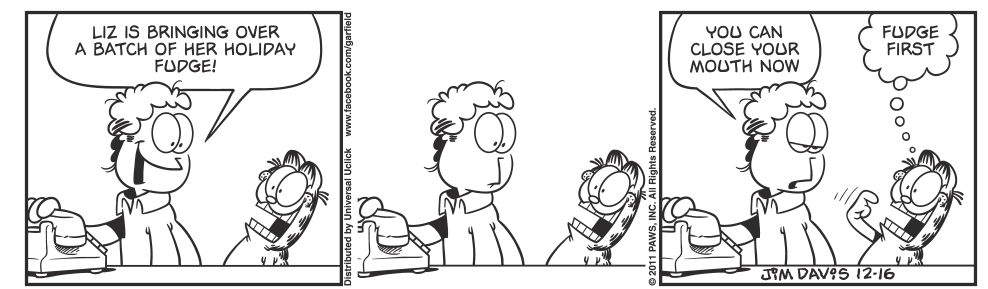
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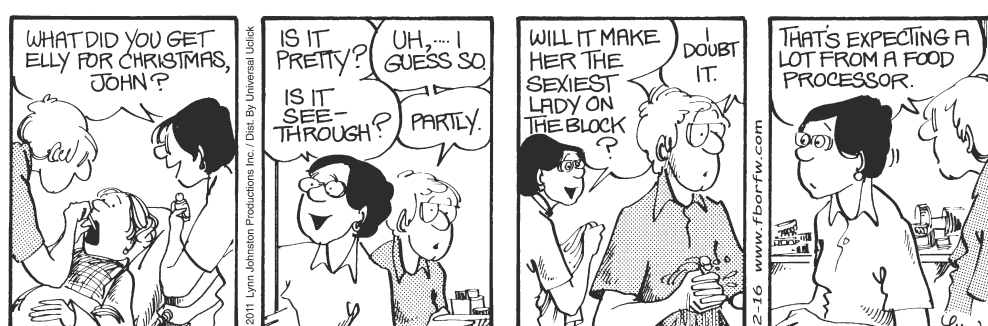
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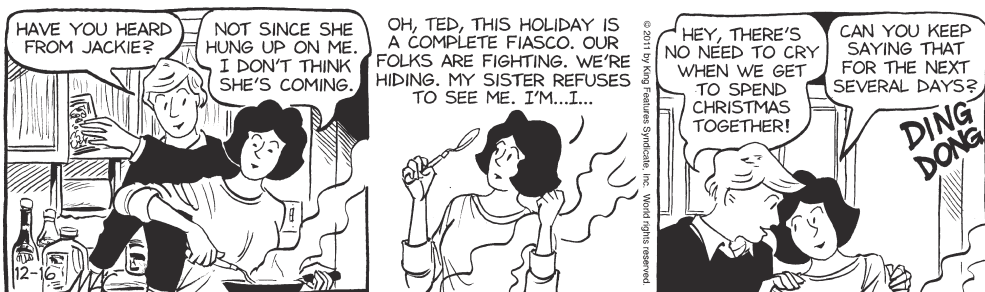
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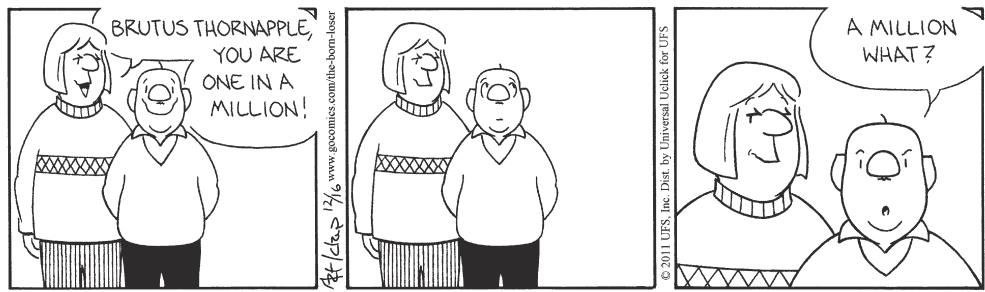
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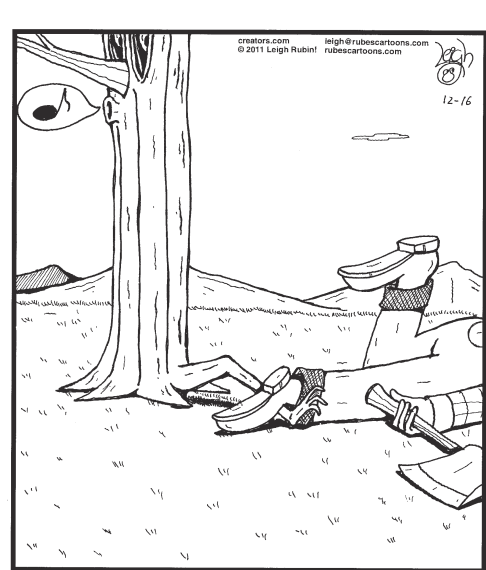
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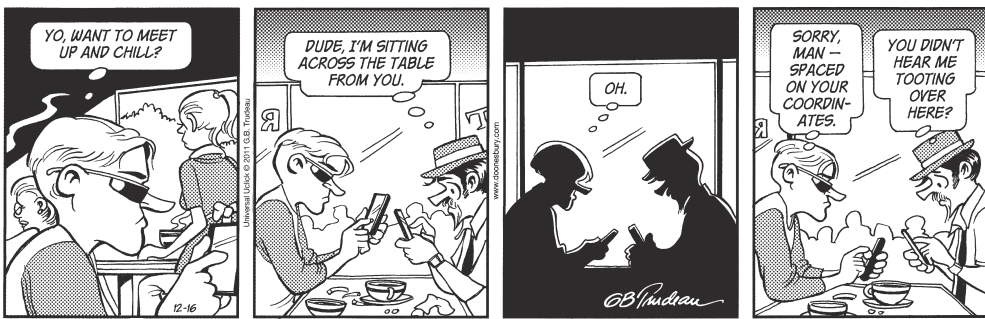
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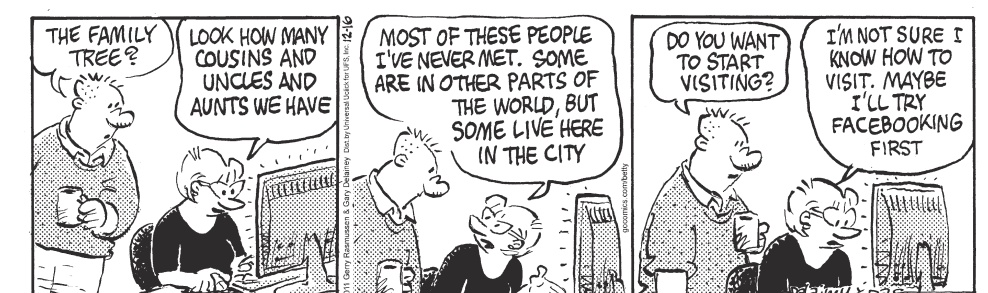
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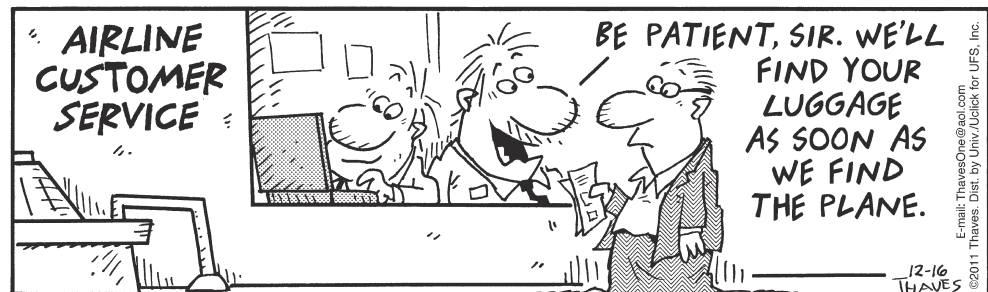
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 "Sherlock Holmes: A Game of Shadows" (PG-13) 1 p.m., 4 p.m., 7 p.m., 10:05 p.m. No passes.
 "Alvin and the Chipmunks: Chipwrecked" (G) 12:30 p.m., 2:45 p.m. 5 p.m., 7:30 p.m., 9:50 p.m. No passes.
 "New Year's Eve" (PG-13) 1:10 p.m., 4:10 p.m., 7:15 p.m., 10:10 p.m.
 "The Sitter" (R) ID required. 1:30 p.m., 4:20 p.m., 7:40 p.m., 10 p.m.
 "Hugo" (PG) 3:50 p.m.
 "Hugo" (PG) In Real 3D. 12:45 p.m., 7:05 p.m., 9:55 p.m. No passes.
 "The Twilight Saga: Breaking Dawn — Part I" (PG-13) 1:20 p.m., 4:15 p.m., 7:20 p.m., 10:10 p.m.

Crystal River Mall 9; 564-6864
 "Sherlock Holmes: A Game of Shadows" (PG-13) 1:30 p.m., 4:30 p.m., 6:30 p.m., 7 p.m., 7:30 p.m., 9:30 p.m., 10 p.m., 10:30 p.m. No passes.

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 by Luis Campos
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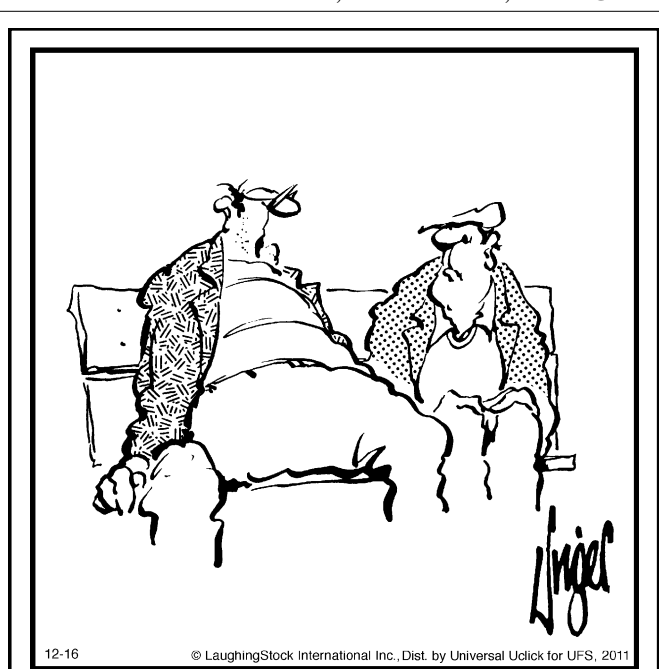
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ACA Shih-Tzu Pups.
Lots of colors, average
\$450-\$600 + Beverly
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Jack Russell Terrier
puppies Health Cert.,
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\$300. (352) 949-0131

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Puppies,
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\$350 obo
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BREEDING SUN CON-
JURES PAIR I have a
beautiful pair of sun con-
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they are proven par
proven to me I'm asking
I'm having to down size
my flock due to the econ-
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beautiful, silver/cocoa
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and neutered, male
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CKC SHIH TZU For sale:
9 month old CKC regis-
tered male Shih Tzu.
Very playful, loves kids
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\$325.00 obo
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my breeds, all
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MULTI-POO PUPPIES
Great combination
8 WK adorable,
non-shed, will hold
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Small Breed puppies,
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DUNNELLON
5159 W. Disney Ln 2/2,
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2 1/2 Fresh & Clean,
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\$650/\$650 fireplace
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No pets. (386)871-5506

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2/2, No Pets \$500. Mo.
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Inv./Homosassa
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1st. last. sec.
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RENT SPECIAL: Secs. dep.
prior-refd over 3 mo.
prior in the INVERNESS
WATERFRONT 55+ Park
w/5 piers for fishing &
enjoyment, clubhouse,
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much more! 1 BR home
\$325 plus. 2BR home
\$450 includes H2O. 2 BR,
1.5 bath, Park Model
\$500. Pets considered.
Section 8 accepted.
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MOBILE HOME,
Over 55 Park \$190 Lot
Rent Village Pine, Inglis
Lot 4 A512,500
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New 2012 Jacksonville
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Apx. 1200 sq. ft. 3/2,
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porches,
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Hernando
\$44,500
(352) 270-8310

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CRYSTAL RIVER
2 BR, fully furn W/D,
DW, big screen TV,
water, sewer, trash
lawn \$595. mo
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LAKEFRONT 1 Bedrm.
AC, Clean, No Pets
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Alexander Real Estate
(352) 795-6633

Crystal River Apts
2 BR/1 BA \$375-\$500

CRYSTAL RIVER 1/1
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Large 2/2 CHA, Ds/Wa,
W/D hk-up \$550/mo.,
1st Mo. FREE 726-2006

CRYSTAL RIVER
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up, dishwasher, lawn
water & sewer \$450 mo
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FREE Use of boat ramp,
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Jon boat rentals. 1 BR
unit avail. walk to river
Trails End Camp, A
Friendly Place to Live
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HOMOSASSA
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util. Includ. \$500. mo.+
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Notices to Creditors/ Administration

their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

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

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

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

The date of first publication of this Notice is December 9, 2011.

Personal Representative: /s/ David E. Naylor
752 W. Olympia, Hernando, Florida 34442
Attorney for Personal Representative: /s/ Gregory G. Gay, Esquire Florida Bar No. 1692024 The Nature Coast Law Offices of Gregory G. Gay, P.A. 450 S.E. Highway 19, Crystal River, FL 34423 Telephone (352) 794-0025 Fax: (727) 848-4466 E-Mail: greggg@willtrust.com December 9 and 16, 2011.

825-1223 FCRN
James Sr., Raymond Vincent 2011 CP 000833 Notice to Cred. (Summ.Admin.)
PUBLIC NOTICE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION
File No. 2011-CP-000833
IN RE: ESTATE OF RAYMOND VINCENT JAMES, SR., ALSO KNOWN AS RAYMOND JAMES Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS (Summary Administration)
TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS OR DEMANDS AGAINST THE ABOVE ESTATE:
You are hereby notified that an Order of Summary Administration has been entered in the estate of Raymond Vincent James, Sr., also known as Raymond James, deceased, File Number 2011 CP 000833, by the Circuit Court for Citrus County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 110 North Apopka Avenue, Room 101, Inverness, Florida 34450-4299; that the decedent's date of death was October 18, 2010; that the total value of the estate is \$6,174.00 and that the names and addresses of those to whom it has been assigned by such order are:

Name Address
Joanne Leuci 16 Asparagus Court, Homosassa, Florida 34444
Phyllis James 16 Asparagus Court, Homosassa, Florida 34444
Archie Dean 55 Middle Avenue, Shelton, Connecticut 06484

ALL INTERESTED PERSONS ARE NOTIFIED THAT:
All creditors of the estate of the decedent and persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent other than those for whom provision for full payment was made in the Order of Summary Administration must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN SECTION 733.702 OF THE FLORIDA PROBATE CODE.
ALL CLAIMS AND DEMANDS NOT SO FILED WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.
NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER APPLICABLE TIME PERIOD, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.
The date of first publication of this Notice is December 16, 2011.

Person Giving Notice: Joanne Leuci
16 Asparagus Court, Homosassa, Florida 34444
Attorney for Personal Giving Notice: Tara M. O'Connor, Esquire Florida Bar Number: 0254680 O'Connor Law Group, P.A., 9743 U.S. Highway 19, Port Richey, Florida 34668 Telephone: (727) 841-6991 Fax: (727) 841-8997 E-Mail: taracannon@verizon.net December 16 and 23, 2011.

826-1223 FCRN
Edwards, Helen M. 2011-CP-000775 Notice to Cred.
PUBLIC NOTICE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE CASE NO. 2011-CP-000775
IN RE: THE ESTATE OF HELEN M. EDWARDS, Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
The administration of the estate of Helen M. Edwards, deceased, whose date of death was October 9, 2011, is pending in the Circuit Court for Citrus County, Florida, Probate Division, File Number 2011-CP-000775; the address of which is 110 North Apopka Avenue, Inverness, FL 34450. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

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

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NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.
The date of first publication of this Notice is December 16, 2011.

Personal Representative: Mary C. Schlumberger
6220 West Corporate Oaks Drive, Crystal River, FL 34429
Attorney for Personal Representative: Thomas M. VanNess, Jr., Esq. Florida Bar No. 0857750 1-352-795-1444 VanNess & VanNess, P.A., 1205 N. Meeting Tree Blvd., Crystal River, FL 34429 December 16 and 23, 2011.

Foreclosure Sale/ Action Notices

814-1216 FCRN
Vs. Tropila, Allen A. 2011 CA 3508 Notice of Action
PUBLIC NOTICE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION
CASE NO. 2011 CA 3508

DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE FOR AMERIQUEST MORTGAGE SECURITIES INC., ASSET-BACKED PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES ARSI 2006-M3,
Plaintiff,

vs. ALLEN A. TROPILA; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF ALLEN A. TROPILA; THE BEVERLY HILLS HOME OWNERS ASSOCIATION; INC.; UNKNOWN TENANT #1; UNKNOWN TENANT #2, ET AL.
Defendants.

NOTICE OF ACTION - CONSTRUCTIVE SERVICE
TO: THE BEVERLY HILLS HOME OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., whose current place of business is unknown

THE CORPORATION IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose a mortgage on the following property:

LOT 10, BLOCK 72, BEVERLY HILLS UNIT NUMBER FIVE, ACCORDING TO PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 9, PAGES 2 THROUGH 5, INCLUSIVE, PUBLIC RECORDS OF CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA.

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on counsel for Plaintiff, whose address is 3010 North Military Trail, Suite 300, Boca Raton, Florida 33431 on or before January 9, 2012 / (30 days from Date of First Publication of this Notice) and file the original with the Clerk of this court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint or petition filed herein.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of this court at Citrus County, Florida, this 2 day of December, 2011.
BETTY STRIFLER, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
(SEAL)
By: /s/ Kathy Staibbaum, DEPUTY CLERK

December 9 and 16, 2011.

815-1216 FCRN
Vs. Richard F. Gray heirs 092011CA002488XXXXX Notice of Action
PUBLIC NOTICE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION
CASE NO. 092011CA002488XXXXX

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A. SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING, LP,
Plaintiff,

vs. THE UNKNOWN SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES, CREDITORS, AND ALL OTHER PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST RICHARD F. GRAY, DECEASED; et al.
Defendants.

NOTICE OF ACTION
TO: THE UNKNOWN SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES, CREDITORS, AND ALL OTHER PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST RICHARD F. GRAY, deceased RESIDENCES UNKNOWN

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose a mortgage on the following described property in Citrus County, Florida:

LOT 149, GREEN ACRES, ADDITION NO. 5 UNIT NO. 3, ACCORDING TO THE MAP OR PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 5, PAGE 86 AND 87, PUBLIC RECORDS OF CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on SMITH, HIATT & DIAZ, P.A., Plaintiff's attorneys, whose address is 2691 East Oakland Park Blvd., Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33306, (954) 564-0071, within 30 days from first date of publication, and file the original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorneys or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint or petition.

DATED on December 1, 2011.
BETTY STRIFLER, Clerk of Courts, As Clerk of the Court
(Seal)
By: /s/ Kathy Staibbaum, As Deputy Clerk

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, persons needing special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact the Clerk of the Court not later than five business days prior to the proceeding at the Citrus County Courthouse. Telephone 352-637-9400 or 1-800-955-8770 via Florida Relay Service.

December 9 and 16, 2011. 1183-97763

816-1216 FCRN
Vs. Murphee, Richard D. 09-2010-CA-002231 Notice of Action
PUBLIC NOTICE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 5TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION
CASE NO. 09-2010-CA-002231

FORECLOSURE ADVISORS, LLC
Plaintiff,

vs. RICHARD D. MURPHREE A/K/A RICHARD E. MURPHREE; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF RICHARD D. MURPHREE A/K/A RICHARD E. MURPHREE; TINA M. MURPHREE; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF TINA M. MURPHREE; ALL THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, CREDITORS, DEVISEES, BENEFICIARIES, GRANTEEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, TRUSTEES, AND ALL OTHER PARTIES CLAIMING AN INTEREST BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST GLENN NEWTON CHAFFIN, DECEASED; ALMA MARIE ST. CHARLES F/K/A ALMA CHAFFIN; JUANITA M. JENNINGS; LUCILLE M. BUNNER; ALL THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, CREDITORS, DEVISEES, BENEFICIARIES, GRANTEEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, TRUSTEES, AND ALL OTHER PARTIES CLAIMING AN INTEREST BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST ALBERTA A. MCDONALD LILES, DECEASED.; THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF ALBERTA M. LILES, DECEASED; WELLS FARGO FINANCIAL, INC., F/K/A NORWEST FINANCIAL, INC.; UNKNOWN PERSON(S) IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY;
Defendants.

NOTICE OF ACTION
To the following Defendant(s): ALL THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, CREDITORS, DEVISEES, BENEFICIARIES, GRANTEEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, TRUSTEES, AND ALL OTHER PARTIES CLAIMING AN INTEREST BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST GLENN NEWTON CHAFFIN, DECEASED. (RESIDENCE UNKNOWN)

ALL THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, CREDITORS, DEVISEES, BENEFICIARIES, GRANTEEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, TRUSTEES, AND ALL OTHER PARTIES CLAIMING AN INTEREST BY,

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THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST ALBERTA MCDONALD LILES, DECEASED. (RESIDENCE UNKNOWN)

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for Foreclosure of Mortgage on the following described property:

**LOT 15, BLOCK C OF GLEN FLORA ACRES, AN UNRECORDED SUBDIVISION FURTHER DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:
LOT 15, BLOCK C, COMMENCING AT THE SOUTH EAST CORNER OF SECTION 29, TOWNSHIP 19 SOUTH, RANGE 18 EAST, RUN THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 50' 15" WEST 521.86 FEET, THENCE NORTH 0 DEGREES 06' 24" WEST 354.27 FEET, THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 38' 00" WEST 699.66 FEET FOR THE POINT OF BEGINNING, THENCE CONTINUE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 38' 00" WEST 234.00 FEET, THENCE NORTH 0 DEGREES 20' 10" WEST 301.11 FEET, THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 27' 00" EAST 234.00 FEET, THENCE SOUTH 0 DEGREES 20' 10" WEST 301.90 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.
TOGETHER WITH: THAT SINGLE WIDE 1984 CLARK WELDING MOBILE HOME.
VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: FL11AE087006414.**

a/k/ 4245 W ROADRUNNER CT, HOMOSSASSA, FLORIDA 34446

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it, on Kahane & Associates, P.A., Attorney for Plaintiff, whose address is 8201 Peters Road, Ste. 3000, Plantation, FLORIDA 33324, on or before Jan. 9, 2012, a date which is within thirty (30) days after the first publication of this Notice in the CITRUS COUNTY CHRONICLE and file the original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint. This notice is provided pursuant to Administrative Order No. 2.065.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to provisions of certain assistance. Please contact the Court Administrator at 110 N. Apopka Avenue, Inverness, FL 34450-4299, Phone No. (352) 637-9853 within 2 working days of your receipt of this notice or pleading; if you are hearing impaired, call 1-800-955-8771 (TDD); if you are voice impaired, call 1-800-995-8770 (V) (Via Florida Relay Services).

WITNESS my hand and seal of this Court this 28 day of November, 2011.
BETTY STRIFLER, As Clerk of the Court
(SEAL)
By: /s/ Kathy Staibbaum, As Deputy Clerk

December 9 and 16, 2011. 10-08272 FA

817-1216 FCRN
Vs. McLeish Sr., Leonard A. 09-2011-CA-003038 Notice of Action
PUBLIC NOTICE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION
Case No.: 09-2011-CA-003038

GMAC MORTGAGE, LLC
Plaintiff,

vs. LEONARD A. MCLEISH SR; DORIS M MCLEISH; UNKNOWN TENANT #1; UNKNOWN TENANT #2; ALL OTHER UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING INTERESTS BY, THROUGH, UNDER, AND AGAINST A NAMED DEFENDANT(S) WHO ARE NOT KNOWN TO BE DEAD OR ALIVE, WHETHER SAME UNKNOWN PARTIES MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST AS SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS,
Defendants.

NOTICE OF ACTION
TO: Leonard A. Mcleish, Sr.; Doris M. Mcleish
Last Known Address: 8122 N. Princess Avenue, Dunnellon, Florida 34433
Current Address: Unknown
Previous Address: 52 Husted Lane, New Jersey 08345

ALL OTHER UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING INTERESTS BY, THROUGH, UNDER, AND AGAINST A NAMED DEFENDANT(S) WHO ARE NOT KNOWN TO BE DEAD OR ALIVE, WHETHER SAME UNKNOWN PARTIES MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST AS SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS
Last Known Address: 8122 N. Princess Avenue, Dunnellon, Florida 34433
Current Address: Unknown

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose a mortgage on the following property in Citrus County, Florida:

LOT 26, BADGER ACRES, AN UNRECORDED SUBDIVISION IN SECTION 23, TOWNSHIP 17 SOUTH, RANGE 17 EAST, CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA; COMMENCE AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 324, PLAT OF TOWNSHIP OF CITRONELLE, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 1, PAGE 15, PUBLIC RECORDS OF CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA, THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 40' 44" EAST ALONG THE WEST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF CHURCH STREET AS SHOWN ON SAID PLAT A DISTANCE OF 232.75 FEET; THENCE WEST 782.80 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 420 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE CONTINUE SOUTH 100 FEET; THENCE WEST 220 FEET; THENCE NORTH 100 FEET; THENCE EAST 220 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. SUBJECT TO A 15 FOOT WIDE EASEMENT ON THE EAST BOUNDARY THEREOF FOR ROAD RIGHT-OF-WAY AND UTILITY PURPOSES.

This property is located at the Street address of: **8122 N. Princess Avenue, Dunnellon, FL 34433**

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses on or before Jan. 9, 2012, a date which is within 30 days after the first publication, if any, on Elizabeth R. Wellborn, P.A., Plaintiff's attorney, whose address is 350 Jim Moran Blvd., Suite 100, Deerfield Beach, Florida 33442, and file the original with this Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney, or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint or petition. This Notice shall be published once a week for two consecutive weeks in the Citrus County Chronicle.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of the court on November 28, 2011.
BETTY STRIFLER, CLERK OF THE COURT
(COURT SEAL)
By: /s/ Kathy Staibbaum, Deputy Clerk

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE AMERICAN'S WITH DISABILITIES ACT, If you are a person with disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the Disability Coordinator at 2825 Judge Fran Jamieson Way, Melbourne, FL 32940; 321-633-2171; within 2 working days of your receipt of this writ; if you are hearing impaired, call 1-800-955-8771; if you are voice impaired, call 1-800-955-8770. For other information, please call 321-633-1950.

December 9 and 16, 2011. 0719-29002

818-1216 FCRN
Vs. Borrero, Chad E. 2011-CA-002768 Notice of Action
PUBLIC NOTICE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION
Case No.: 2011-CA-002768

GMAC MORTGAGE, LLC
Plaintiff,

vs. CHAD E. BORRERO; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF CHAD E. BORRERO; UNKNOWN TENANT #1; UNKNOWN TENANT #2; ALL OTHER UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING INTERESTS BY, THROUGH, UNDER, AND AGAINST A NAMED DEFENDANT(S) WHO ARE NOT KNOWN TO BE DEAD OR ALIVE, WHETHER SAME UNKNOWN PARTIES MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST AS SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS,
Defendants.

NOTICE OF ACTION
TO: Chad E. Borrero
Last Known Address: 6022 E. Wingate Street, Inverness, Florida 34452
Current Address: Unknown

ALL OTHER UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING INTERESTS BY, THROUGH, UNDER, AND AGAINST A NAMED DEFENDANT(S) WHO ARE NOT KNOWN TO BE DEAD OR ALIVE, WHETHER SAME UNKNOWN PARTIES MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST AS SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS
Last Known Address: Unknown
Current Address: Unknown

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose a mortgage on the following property in Citrus County, Florida:

LOT 6, BLOCK 409, INVERNESS HIGHLANDS WEST, A SUBDIVISION, ACCORDING TO THE MAP OR PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 5, PAGES 19 THROUGH 33, PUBLIC RECORDS OF CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA.

This property is located at the Street address of: **6022 E. Wingate Street, Inverness, Florida 34452**

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses on or before Jan. 9, 2012, a date which is within 30 days after the first publication, if any, on Elizabeth R. Wellborn, P.A., Plaintiff's attorney, whose address is 350 Jim Moran Blvd., Suite 100, Deerfield Beach, Florida 33442, and file the original with this Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney, or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint or petition. This Notice shall be published once a week for two consecutive weeks in the Citrus County Chronicle.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of the court on November 28, 2011.
BETTY STRIFLER, CLERK OF THE COURT
(COURT SEAL)
By: /s/ Kathy Staibbaum, Deputy Clerk

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE AMERICAN'S WITH DISABILITIES ACT, If you are a person with disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the Disability Coordinator at 2825 Judge Fran Jamieson Way, Melbourne, FL 32940; 321-633-2171; within 2 working days of your receipt of this writ; if you are hearing impaired, call 1-800-955-8771; if you are voice impaired, call 1-800-955-8770. For other information, please call 321-633-1950.

December 9 and 16, 2011.

819-1216 FCRN
Vs. Raffa, Dolores 09-2009-CA-006710 Notice of Action
PUBLIC NOTICE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR CITRUS COUNTY CIVIL DIVISION
CASE NO. 09-2009-CA-006710

CITIMORTGAGE, INC. SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO ABN AMRO MORTGAGE GROUP, INC.,
Plaintiff,

vs. DOLORES RAFFA A/K/A DOLORES KUEFNER; JOSEPH F. KUEFNER; IF LIVING, INCLUDING ANY UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF SAID DEFENDANT(S), IF REMARRIED, AND IF DECEASED, THE RESPECTIVE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES, ASSIGNEES, CREDITORS, LIENORS, AND TRUSTEES, AND ALL OTHER PERSONS CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST THE NAMED DEFENDANT(S); MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEM, INC.; JOHN DOE; JANE DOE;
Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF ACTION
TO: JOSEPH F. KUEFNER;
Whose residence are/s/ unknown.

YOU ARE HEREBY required to file your answer or written defenses, if any, in the above proceeding with the Clerk of this Court, and to serve a copy thereof upon the plaintiff's attorney, Law Offices of Daniel C. Consuegra, 9204 King Palm Drive, Tampa, FL 33619-1328, telephone (813) 915-8660, facsimile (813) 915-0559, within thirty days of the first publication of this Notice, the nature of this proceeding being a suit for foreclosure of mortgage according the following described property, to wit:

LOT 62, BLOCK B, INDIAN SPRINGS, UNIT 1, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 4, PAGE 73 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA.

If you fail to file your response or answer, if any, in the above proceeding with the Clerk of this Court, and to serve a copy thereof upon the plaintiff's attorney, Law Offices of Daniel C. Consuegra, 9204 King Palm Dr., Tampa, Florida 33619-1328, telephone (813) 915-8660, facsimile (813) 915-0559, within thirty days of the first publication of this Notice, a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint or petition.
DATED AT CITRUS COUNTY this 28 day of November, 2011.
BETTY STRIFLER, Clerk of the Circuit Court
(Seal)
By: /s/ Kathy Staibbaum, Deputy Clerk

If you are a person with a disability who needs an accommodation in order to participate in a proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, the provision of certain assistance. Please contact John Sullivan, ADA Coordinator for the Courts within 2

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working days of your receipt of your notice to appear in Court at 352-341-6700. You can also use the online Florida State Courts System Title II ADA, Accommodation Request Form. Once submitted, this will go to the appropriate ADA Coordinator in your county.

December 9 and 16, 2011.

827-1223 FCRN
Vs. Hemer, Roberta L. 09-2011-CA-003565 Notice of Action
PUBLIC NOTICE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 5TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION
CASE NO.: 09-2011-CA-003565

GMAC MORTGAGE, LLC,
Plaintiff,
vs. ROBERTA L HEMER, et al,
Defendants.

NOTICE OF ACTION
TO: UNKNOWN HEIRS AND/OR BENEFICIARIES OF THE ESTATE OF RONALD STUDEN
Last Known Address: Unknown
Current Residence: Unknown

PATRICIA STUDEN
Last Known Address: 6360 South Lima Street, Citrus, FL 34444
Also Attempted At: 209 South Shore Crest Drive, Tampa, FL 33609
Also Attempted At: 5455 South Suncoast Boulevard, #62, Homosassa, FL 34446
Current Residence: Unknown

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for Foreclosure of Mortgage on the following described property:

LOT 24, BLOCK H, CINNAMON RIDGE, AS PER PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 12, PAGES 35 AND 36, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA.

TOGETHER WITH A MOBILE HOME, PERMANENTLY AFFIXED AND SITUATED THERETO, UPON THE REAL PROPERTY DESCRIBED ABOVE.

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it, on Marshall C. Watson, P.A., Attorney for Plaintiff, whose address is 1800 NW 49th STREET, SUITE 120, FT. LAUDERDALE FL 33309 on or before Jan. 17, 2012, a date which is within (30) days after the first publication of this Notice in the CITRUS COUNTY CHRONICLE and file the original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint.

IF YOU ARE A PERSON WITH A DISABILITY WHO NEEDS ANY ACCOMMODATION IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS PROCEEDING, YOU ARE ENTITLED, AT NO COST TO YOU, TO THE PROVISION OF CERTAIN ASSISTANCE. PLEASE CONTACT THE ADA COORDINATOR, TELEPHONE (352) 341-6700, 110 N APOPKA AVENUE, INVERNESS FL, 34450, AT LEAST 7 DAYS BEFORE YOUR SCHEDULED COURT APPEARANCE, OR IMMEDIATELY UPON RECEIVING THIS NOTIFICATION IF THE TIME BEFORE THE SCHEDULED APPEARANCE IS LESS THAN 7 DAYS. IF YOU ARE HEARING OR VOICE IMPAIRED, CALL 711.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of this Court this 8 day of December, 2011.
Betty Strifler, As Clerk of the Court
(SEAL)
By: /s/ Kathy Staibbaum, As Deputy Clerk

December 16 and 23, 2011. 10-36969

828-1223 FCRN
Vs. Princess Link 2011-CA-4164 Notice of Action
PUBLIC NOTICE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO. 2011-CA-4164

BRANNEN BANK, a Florida State Banking Corporation f/k/a THE BANK OF INVERNESS,
Plaintiff,
v. PRINCESS LINK,
Defendant.

NOTICE OF ACTION
TO: PRINCESS LINK and PRINCESS LINK
Post Office Box 419 and 3340 E. Lee Drive
Fort City, FL 34436 Inverness, FL 34453

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose a Mortgage and Note on the following described property in Citrus County, Florida:

Lots 94, 95, 96, 97 and 98, Block 88, INVERNESS HIGHLANDS UNIT NO. 4, according to plat therof recorded in Plat Book 2, Pages 109 through 113, inclusive of the Public Records of Citrus County, Florida.

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Plaintiff's attorney, DONALD F. PERRIN, Esq., DONALD F. PERRIN, P.A., Post Office Box 250, Inverness, FL 34451-0250 within thirty (30) days after the first publication of this notice, to-wit: on or before the 17 day of January, 2012, and file the original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

DATED This 7 day of December, 2011.
BETTY STRIFLER, Clerk of the Court
(SEAL)
By: /s/ Kathy Staibbaum, As Deputy Clerk

December 16 and 23, 2011.



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