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## NEWS

Appeals court favors Olsen Chris Van Ormer
Staff Writer
A federal court of appeals has affirmed the decision of a district court in a long and against the develope of the Black Diamond community in Lecanto. The decision Wednesday by the
Fleventh Circuit Court Eleventh Circuit Court
favored the developer favored the developer,
Stan Olsen, in a case dismissed in 2010 when a U.S. magistrate judge ruled that plaintiffs had not proven claims that OIsen raised the price
of Black Diamond Club equity memberships to equity mumbership of the golf courses out of members' hands. The appeal was filed by two Black Diamond residents, who had
sought a iun trial. sought aurar trial
However, all parties consented to a trial before the magistrate judge, who held a fourday bench trial, and then entered a final judgment in favor of
Olsen as to al the plaintiffs's' claims. On review, the court of appeals found all issues without merit, but addressed an issue of federal right to a jury,
as the plaintifs argued as the plainififs argued
that the district court erred in denying their federal ight to a jury. The court of appeals found that assuming the plaintiffs had the right to a jury on their
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## State ranks high in child homelessness

County works to reduce statistics

Shemir WILES
Staff Writer
LECANTO - The face of homelessness is changing. According to a report, "America's Youngest Outcasts 2010," recently released by The National Center on

Family Homelessness, one
in 45 children in America
more than 16 million in 45 children in America--
more than 1.6 million chil-
dren - are homeless in a year, an increase of 38 percent since 2007. It's a growing a trend. One Florida knows all too well. Based on the number of
homeless children, the risks for homelessness and state policies and other factors listed in amon the report, Florida has ne of the among the fastest growing segments the report, Florida has one of the of the homeless population. More
and more families are finding themselves living from motel to
motel, in the woods inside motel, in the woods inside
makeshift tents or at the homes of relatives.
Two years ago, the county became painfully aware of the escalating concern with homelessness when hey were contacted by Jim
Sleighter, director of Mission in Citrus, about a tent city in the county rus, about a tent city in the county

## Christmas memories



Jim and Patricia Baumspark's Christmas decorations include a 14-foot-plus tree in the living room of their Crystal River home They are pictured with Albert "Pop" Wilson, Patricia's father.

Couple's Crystal River home brimming with momentos of past holidays

SANDRA
Frederick
Staff Writer

- CRYSTAL RIVER J Baumspark Patricia Christmas. love They also love They
tradition. The couple's 6,000-square-foot King's Bay Drive home is brimming
with memories of Christmases past. Homemade ornaments by their children and annual White House ornaments bought during Jim's tour in
Washington, D.C., adorn the tree. And, a half-century-old manger sits on the mantle above the fireplace. the couple said in unison. After entering the
massive wooden massive wooden door surrounded by deco

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Christmas Tree

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 There are approxi-mately 25 million to 30 million real Christmas trees sol year.

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350 million Christ. mas trees currently growing on Christ-
mas tree farms in
- It can take as many as 15 years to grow a tree of typical
height ( 6.7 feet) or as little as 4 years, but the average growing
years.
- The top Christmas tree producing
states are Oregon states are Oregon, North Carolina,
Michigan, Pennsylva Michigan, Pennsylva
nia, Wisconsin and Wiashington.


NATIONAL CHRISTMAS TREE ASSOCIATION/
The centerpiece of the Blue Room is the official White House Christmas tree - a breathNeshkoro, Wisconsin.

White House decorations shine in spirit of season

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## Inverness street upgrades continue into new year

Nancy Kennedy Staff Writer

INVERNESS - Good news for Santa Claus: nempkins Street in Inverby Christmas, making gift deliveries in the residential area near the downtown area easier for the bearded
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And if jolly old Saint Nick long-term plans to upgrade wants to return to Inver- all the major arteries that ness, he's welcome to attomethe ribbon cutting ond week of Janing the secebrate the completion of ebrate the completion of
Phase II of the $\$ 1.3$ million upgrade from Cherry Avenue west to Ella Avenue. The Tompkins Street
project is part of the city's
all the major arteries that
lead to major roadways, such as S.R. 44 . Next up on the city's road
upgrade list is "sicyole upgrade list is "Bicycle
Boulevard," North Apopka Boulevard," North Apopka
Avenue from Dampier Street to the trailhead. "That'll be more aggresive landscaping, a median, sive landscaping, a median,
also push-button crosswalks
at the trail for cyclists so cars will see the lights flashing, which will improve
safety for cyclists," said Inverness City Manager Frank DiGiovanni. "That could start in $2012, "$
Also in 2012 is planned for the Forest Drive upgrade. "We just received support
ment of Transportation) of $\$ 35,000$ to commence engineering, with the goal to incalming theme light traffic other amenities - slow and ple down and create a peo ple down and create a neigh-
borhood effect and build some energy in that section of the city," DiGiovanni said.


## STATE \& LOCAL

## Around THE STATE

## Orlando

Fla. has third-largest population growth Florida had the nation's
third-largest population third-largest population growth in the past year. Wednesday that Florida grew Wednesday that Florida grew
by 256,000 residents from April 2010 to July 2011. Texas and California were the only states with larger growth.
Florida now has 19.1 million residents, making it the nation's fourth most populous
state. distance of surpassing New York in population size. All it
would take is an additional would take is an addition 400,000 residents. If current growth trends
continue, Florida could pass continue, Florida could pass
New York in population size in two years.

## Auburndale

Juice plant adding
60 workers
An Auburndale orange
juice processing plant is expanding with up to a $\$ 580,000$ assist from Florida taxpayers. The $\$ 99$ million project by Coca-Cola Refreshments is
expected to add 60 permanent jobs. Wednesday hailed the pansion as a testament to Florida's pro-business environment
The plant, though, is also grown fruit that goes into the Simply Orange products it produces. The facility also uses juice from Brazil. Simply Orange is a chilled product made entirely from
fresh juice rather than frozen fresh juice rath
concentrate.
The state paved the way for the project by granting
Polk County $\$ 400,000$ for Polk County $\$ 400,000$ for road infrastructure serving the plant. Coca-Cola is also
getting up to $\$ 180,000$ is getting up to $\$ 180,000$ in
state and local tax rebates.
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The plant currently has 361 full-time employees.

## Ormond Beach

Five children, 2 adults escape burning home Fire officials said five children and two adults escaped when a fire broke out at a central Florida home. Orlando television station
WKMG reported the fire had WKMG reported the fire had
engulfed one home and was enguifed one home and was
spreading to a second one when deputies and firefighters arrived at the scene in Ormond Beach early Wednesday. The television station re-
ported that the second home ported that the second hom
housesd disabled adults. They were safely evacuated Deputies said two people were treated at the scene for smoke inhalation.
Two other homes were
evacuated as a precaution evacuated as a precaution.
Officials said the state fire marshal's office will investigate the cause of the fire.

## Fort Lauderdale

## DNA, prints lead to

 arrest in shooting DNA from a soda bottle and fingerprints from a capled to an arrest in a recent shooting of a taxi driver in Broward County. Broward Sheriff's Office investigators said Weenie
that 30 -year-old Semie Robinson is being held with out bail on an attempted murder charge. Authorities said cabbie Williamson Joseph was shot twice after picking up Robinson as a
Nov. 18. Joseph is Nov. 18. Jos
recovering.
The assailant left behind a cooler bag containing a baseball cap and a partial bottle of soda. Investigators were able to match DNA from the bottle and fingerprints on the cap to
Robinson, who has a violent criminal history.

## Officials assist ‘distressed’ manatee

Animal taken to Tampa for evaluation

MATTHEW BECK HOMOSASSA - Rescue workers went into action ing the discovery of a manatee in distress, according to Homosassa Springs Wildlife State Park Manager Ar

Yerian. Yerian. manatees in the spring an we saw this one nosing down, crawling on the bot
 tom and crunching like a marks on its body to indi-
human would if you had a cate a boat strike, so it
bad stomachache or might have ingested some-
cramps," he said. "Once we thing. But it ididn't have any
realized it was in some type marks on it. It didn't put up
of distress, we closed the much of a struggle when we
gate to keep it inside the netted it to pull it up on the
spring area so it wouldn't bank, either. You never
get back outside of the know what could have
park."
Normally a metal gate is happened." The six-foot long male
open, allowing wild ani- manatee, weighing an esti-
mals to move in and out of mated 600 to 800 pounds, ac-
the park freely.
"We called Florida Fish tranding to tYerian, was
and Willdife Conservation Lowry Park by truck to the
Commission and the U.S. Care facility forobservation
Fish and Widdlife Service so and treatment.
they could determine the Chronicle reporter
next step," he said. next step," he said. Yerian wasn't sure "It didn't have any visual Mached at 352-564-2919 or mbeck@chronicleonline loaded into a vehicle for transport to Lowry Park Zoo in Tampa for examination.

## 'Santa' for seniors

Shemir Wiles
Staff Writer
LECANTO - Like a kid on Christmas morning, Lurline Christmas-themed wrapping paper to unveil a green-and-white department store box. Lifting the top ever so slightly,
she peeked to see what was inside before completely removing the lid. Her eyes lit up with delight as she examined her new bathroom accessories.
"You know, I've been wanting a new rug, she said, running her
hands over the soft tan bathmat. It was a need fulfilled, Brooks said. Since she can't get around to shop for herself, getting a gift as
simple as towels, washcloths and a new rug means the world to her. "It's just good to get anything ... and it's the right color," she said with a bright smile.
Brooks is just one of the many
local homebound seniors whe re ceived gifts through the "Be a Santa to a Senior" program this year. The program, sponsored by
Lecanto Levi's $4-\mathrm{H}$ Club, Rotary Lecanto Levi's 4-H Club, Rotary
Club of Crystal River, Ease's Rough Riders 4-H Club and Home Instead 2,000 gifts for more than 450 senors this year.
Tuesday morning, Cece Douglas, a case manager with senior serv-
ices, loaded up the back of her SUV with a few gifts and food baskets, which were provided by Citrus
United Basket in Inverness. United Basket in Inverness.
Douglas has been a case man-
ager since 2009 , and it is obvious just from chatting with her that helping people is her passion. "It's been the joy of my life," she said. "It's a job that gives back everyday,"
Starting in August, Douglas ors she knew could use gifts come ors she knew could use gifts come
Christmastime. Making sure each senior receives the perfect gift, she said, is as easy as just listening to what someone might say they need. had mentioned in passing how she had trouble opening a can of food or her cat, Sparkles.
Sitting comfortably in her black leather recliner Tuesday morning, gratitude as she pulled the electric can opener from its gift bag. "Oh gosh, I could use one of
those," she said placing her hand mouth in surprise
But she wasn't prepared for her next gifts: an oven glove and dish owels for her kitchen and a beautiful white shirt with light blue embroidery. Oh, this is nice," Jensen said in her eyes. "This is really nice."


ABOVE: Senior services case manager CeCe Douglas gives Jennifer Jensen a big hug to go along with her Christmas presents. BELOW: CeCe Douglas, helps Lurline Brooks open her Christmas presets from the "Be a
Santa to a Senior Program." Many organizations provided the gifts and Citrus United basket gave each senior a food basket.


After a heartfelt embrace, she her way to be more than just a case "Iang Douglas' praises $\qquad$ her way to be more than just a case
manager. She considers her like "I wouldn't make it from point A to family.
point B without her," she said. "I tell "She's always there for me," she her my innermost thoughts and se-" said. "She goes to the limits for me." crets. I just loved her from day one." Chronicle reporter Shemir Wiles
Jensen said Douglas has taken a can be reached at $352-564-2924$ or Jensen said Douglas has taken a can be reached at 352-564-292
lot of time with her and goes out of swiles@chronicleonline.com.

## State: Don't be duped by deceptive sites

Special to the Cbronicle TALLAHASSEE - The Highway Department of Highway Safety and Motor ing to its customers about deceptive websites that lure people into paying a fee to access DHSMV's online motorist services. The
official-looking websites require their customers to pay a surcharge for their assistance. DHSMV does not require a surcharge for either of its

Renew.com and www. and credit card informaflhsmv.gov. The Department
posts fees on www ilhsmv.gov.
The way
The way the scheme works is quite simple: The misleading webssites have paid a fee to search engine ompanies to ensurc thine mpanies to ensure their webpage when Internet users search for DHSMV's nww.GoRenew.com. When ustomers go to the webites, they are asked for acket." DHSMV officials say the
gusted that any entity would attempt such a scheme. However, the websites add a disclaimer that they are not affiliated with the Department or governthey are doing technically is legal. "The Department wants orm our customers with information about these ilnot duped into paying unecessary fees of any kind," Jones added. "The nethical."

## Officer dies

 from gunshot Seven lawmen killed in 2011Associated Press

LAKELAND - A central Florida police officer who was shot in the head earlie
this week died Wednesday this week died Wednesday,
making him the seventh of ficer in the state to be killed by gun violence in 2011. Rookie Lakeland Office Arnulfo Crispin, 25 , was sho Sunday night after respond-
ing to a complaint of some suspicious males in a park a police report said. An officer who arrived as backup found Crispin unresponsive Crispin apparently was sho
after asking permission after asking permission
from the men to pat them down for weapons and drugs.
Authorities have arrested the suspect, 19-year-old Kyle Monday morning at the urg ing of his mother. He is being held without bail and is scheduled to be arraigned Jan. 24
On Tuesday, police found in a crawlspatic handgun in a crawlspace outside the
apartment complex where Crispin was shot. The gun is being sent to a crime lab for
testing to determine if it was testing to determine if it wa
used to shoot the officer. Crispin grew up in nearby Mulberry and had been a Lakeland officer for just 18 months. Funeral survice are scheduled for Tuesday. nity well," police Chief Lisa Womack said Tuesday night in announcing that Crispin was not expected to survive. "He will be sorely missed The seven gun deaths o Florida officers this year ties 2007 for the third most in the state since 1900, according to the National Law Enforcement Officers Me-
morial Fund, which tracks officer deaths nationwide The most was 10 in 1987 and there were eigh recorded in 1988. This deadly year for Jan. 20 when detective Roger Castillo and Amanda Haworth were fatally shot trying to arrest a fugitive in
a notoriously crime-ridden a notoriously crime-ridden
section of Miami. Another officer shot and killed the Four days later, St. Petersburg officers Thomas Baitinger and Jeffrey
Yaslowitz were killed trying Yaslowitz were killed trying an attic. A U.S. marshal was wounded. The shooter was later killed by officers. On Feb. 2, Greg Malloy, a
correctional officer at the correctional officer at the
Holmes County Correc tional Facility in the Panhandle, was killed in a shootout while assisting local officers in tracking a murder suspect. The sus



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Cooter Pond linear board- community as well, maybe begin in 2014. walk, also for evening for the Valerie Theatre," he "That boardwalk is $1,700 \quad$ Also on the horizon: feet long and 5 or 6 feet Highland Boulevard, that could accommodate include widening the street foodie-type events, wine from Citrus Memorial hostasting events, art, music - pital to Apopka Avenue,
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$\square$ Finish final phase of hedowntown restoration Martin Luther King Jr. Avfrom N. Apopka Avenue to Seminole Avenue. Chronicle reporter Nancy
Kennedy can be reached at Kennedy can be reached at nkennedy@chronicle
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display of replicated holidisplay of replicated holi-
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1835, when President An 1835, when President An-
drew Jackson created an indoor winter wonderland or children - complete with a cotton ball snowball fight - the East Room has
been part of the White House holiday tradition. - Green Room - Handcrafted, glittering trees minum of recorate the Green Room, drawing attention to office

## Public Notice

The City of Crystal River residents are invited to apply for our City Volunteer Boards. The Planning Commission and the Waterfronts Florida Advisory Board currently have vacancies. $\frac{\text { Planning Commission. These terms are for } 3 \text { years. The Planning Commission serves as the Local }}{\text { Planning Agency (LPA) pursuant to Florida Statutes and makes recommendations to the City Council }}$ Planang Agency (LPA) yes and applications that come before this Commission relative to zoning
regarding various issues regarding various issues and appications that come before this Commission relative
subdivisions, planned unit developments, variances and other types of land use scenarios. Waterfronts Florida Advisory Board. This Board does allow for two seats to be filled by County residents; however, currently we need City residents to fill the open seats. The terms for these
positions are 4 years. This Board is charged with studying and monitoring water positions are 4 years. Tors and fauna, the care and protection of the Florida Manatee and the impact of
the Floridian aquifer, flora and storm water and septic tanks.
Tree City USA Board. This is a 3 -year term. This Board is charged to study, investigate, council and develop and/or update annually, and administer a written plan for the care, preservation, pruning, planting, replanting, removal or disposition of trees and shrubs in parks, along streets and in other
public areas.
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## EPA: Dirty plants should clean up

## Borowich-Kelly, $\mathbf{5 3}$

 CRYSTAL RIVER Wendy C. Borowich-Kelly, 53 , of Crystal River, passedunexpectedly on Friday, De-

Dwight Tanis 55 S
Dwight Tanis, 55, of Inver-
ness, died Tuesday, Dec. 20 , ness,
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lution in the United States lution in the United States,
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fired power plants, will be forced to reduce their emissions or shut down under a federal regulation released
Wednesday. Wednesday. The long-overdue na-
tional standards for mercury and other toxic pollutants are the first to be applied to nation's oldest
and dirtiest power plants and dirtiest power plants.
About half of the 1,300 About half of the 1,300
coal- and oil-fired units nationwide still lack modern pollution controls, despite
the Environmental Protection Agency in 1990 getting
the authority from Congress the authority from Congress
to control toxic air pollution from power plant smokestacks. A decade later, in 2000, the agency
concluded it was necessary concluded it was necessary
to clamp down on the emissions to protect public health.
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changing political winds changing political winds
have allowed power plants have allowed power plants
to keep running without adto keep running fill environmental and public health
EPA administrator Lisa
Jackson said in a statement

One of the stacks at the Four Corners Power Plant, operated by Arizona Public Services on tribal land near Fruitland, N.M., is shown in this July 27, 2010, file photo. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is slated to release rules aimed at reducing mercury pol-
lution from large coal-fired power plants. The new standards factored into a plan by APS o shutter three conerators at Four Corners.
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 Jackson said in a statement
that the standards "will protect millions of families and children from harmful and costly air pollution and provide the American peo-
ple with health benefits ple with health benefits,
that far outweigh the costs." The rule ranks as one of the most expensive in the EPA's history, with an estimated $\$ 9.6$ billion price tag.
Its release comes after intense lobbying from power producers and criticism from Republicans, who said the rule would
threaten jobs and electric threaten jobs and electric
reliability and raise elec tricity prices. the administration will encourage states to make ditional fourth year to comply with the rule, as
allowed by the law. Case-by-case extensions could
also be granted to address local reliability issues, ac-
cording to a presidential memorandum to Jackson. In the memorandum, President Barack Obama
said the new standard said the new standards will promote the transi-

tion to a cleaner and more efficient U.S. electric power system." He diChas. E. Davis | CAROLLN LATTA |
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that implementation of the effective proed in a costsures electric reliability" Some in the industry wanted an automatic and longer delay, to ensure that plants retiring and power shutting down temporarily to install pollution control equipment would not affect reliability. But even the
chair of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, the independent body that
ensures electric reliability, did not see evidence for a blanket extension.
An AP survey of 55 power
plant producers found that more than 32 mostly coal-
fired power plants in a fired power plants in a
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An AP survey of $\quad \begin{aligned} & \text { power plant retirements } \\ & \text { alone would not cause }\end{aligned}$ 55 power plants homes to go dark. Another 36 power plants may have
to shut down because it and hat more than 32 mostly coal-fired power plants in a dozen states would retire because of the regulation issued Wednesday.
other rule aimed at reduc pollution downwind power plants. The surwould be cheaper than complying with the rule. The estimated age of the units retiring or at risk was 51 years.
For coal, which was al-
ready struggling because of low natural gas prices and low natural gas prices and tricity, the environmental regulations may well be the
final blow. ,
Two other federal envithe works to aldrions in ing water intakes and coolash disposal could lead to more power plant retireents, according to Crystal River Private
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The Citrus County Board of County Commissioners (BCC) proposes to adopt the following by ordinance:
AN ORDINANCE OF CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE CITRUS COUNTY LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE ATLAS BY REDESIGNATING THE
 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES/OFFICE; REDESIGNATING THE ZONING OF APPROXIMATELY 131.6 ACRES FROM PLANNED RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT TO TRANSPORTATION/COMMUNICATION/UTILITES; REDESIGNATING THE ZONING OF APPROXIMATELY 19.3 ACRES FROM PLANNED RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT TO GENERAL COMMERCIAL, AND LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL; REDESIGNATING THE ZONING OF APPROXIMATELY 3.7 ACRES FROM PLANNED RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT TO TRANSPORTATION/COMMUNICATION/UTILITIES; REDESIGNATING THE ZONING OF APPROXIMATELY 49.9 ACRES FROM LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL TO MEDUN CONMITY RESIDENTIAL, AND RECREATIN ; REDESIGNATING THE ZONING RESIDENTIAL TO TRANSPORTATION/COMMUNICATION/UTILITIES; REDESIGNATING THE ZONING OF APPROXIMATELY 2.5 ACRES FROM COASTAL AND LAKES RESIDENTIAL TO PUBLIC/SEMI-PUBLIC, INSTITUTIONAL; REDESIGNATING THE ZONING OF APPROXIMATELY 39.5 ACRES FROM LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL WITH MOBILE HOMES ALLOWED TO TRANSPORTATION/COMMUNICATION/UTILITIES; REDESIGNATING THE ZONING OF APPROXIMATELY 3.7 ACRES FROM RURAL RESIDENTIAL WITH MOBILE HOMES ALLOWED TO TRANSPORTATION/COMMUNICATION/UTILITES REDESIGNATING THE ZONING OF APPROXIMATELY 6.1 ACRES FROM RECREATION TO LOW INTENSITY COASTAL AND LAKES; REDESIGNATING COMMERCIAL; REDESIGNATING THE ZONING OF APPROXIMATELY 328.7 ACRES FROM LOW INTENSITY COASTAL AND LAKES WITH MOBILE HOMES ALLOWED, RURAL RESIDENTIAL WITH MOBILE HOMES ALLOWED, AND COASTAL AND LAKES RESIDENTIAL WITH MOBILE HOMES ALLOWED TO RURAL RESIDENTIAL WITH MOBILE HOMES ALLOWED; LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL WITH MOBILE HOMES ALLOWED AND CONSERVATION REDESIGNATING THE ZONING OF APPROXIMATELY 22.4 ACRES FROM MEDIUM DENSITY RESIDENTIAL TO MEDIUM DENSITY RESIDENTIAL WITH MOBILE HOMES ALLOWED, REDESIGNANG BILIY; PROVIDING FOR MODIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILTY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

AA-11-04 - Department of Development Services - is requesting a Land Development Code (LDC) Atlas Amendment to change the land use designation on multiple parcels of land on the Atlas of the Land Development Code.
Property Location: Area 2: Section 31, Township 17 South, Range 19 East. Further described as Parcel 11341, Cemetery Site, Holder Lane, Holder, FL. Redesignation from TCU, Transportation/Communications/Utilities to PSI, Public/Semi-Public, Institutional on the Atlas of the Land Development Code.

Property Location: Area 4: Section 15, Township 18 South, Range 18 East. Further described as Parcels 12000, 12000-00B0 and 12000-00B1, whose addresses are 3719, $3735,3737,3745,3771,3775$, and 3777 N. Lecanto Highway, Beverly Hills, FL. Redesignation from PDR, Planned Residential Development to GNC General Commercial (Parcel 12000) and PSO, Professional Services/Office (Parcels 12000-00B0 and 12000-00B1) on the Atlas of the Land Development Code
Property Location: Area 5: Section 23, Township 18 South, Range 18 East. Further described as Parcel 70000 (Brentwood Wastewater Treatment Facility), Lecanto

Property Location: Area 6: Section 24, Township 18 South, Range 18 East. Further described as Parcel 4A000-0010, whose address is 555 W. Norvell Bryan Highway, Hernando, FL. Redesignation from PDR, Planned Residential Development to GNC, General Commercial, and LDR, Low Density Residential, on the Atla of the Land Development Code

Property Location: Area 7: Section 26, Township 18 South, Range 18 East. Further described as Parcel 70001, whose address is 1298 N. Jill Avenue, (County well site) Hernando, FL. Redesignation from PDR, Planned Residential Development to TCU, Transportation/Communication, on the Atlas of the Land Development Code Property Location: Area 8: Section 35 and 36, Township 18 South, Range 19 East. Further described Inverness Highlands Unit 4, Block 85, Lots 28 through 46 Block 128, Lots 138 through 209, Block 132, Lots 1 through 5; Block 133, Lots 1 through 16; Block 134, Lots 1 through 50 ; Block 135, Lots 2 through 41; Block 136 Lots 1 through 144; Block 137, Lots 1 through 50; and Block 132, Park site, whose lots are located on E. Perry Street, N. Woodlake Avenue, N. Corbin Avenue, Density Residential, and REC, Recreation (Park site in Block 132 only), on the Atlas of the Land Development Code.

Property Location: Area 9: Section 15 and 16, Township 19 South, Range 20 East. Further described as Parcel 94000-145B (Area 9A); Parcel 94000-136B (Area 9B); Parcel 94000-144A aka 90000-144A (Area 9C); and Parcel 94000-115C aka 90000-115B (Area 9D), which are FDOT drainage retention areas lying on the sout side of E. Gulf to Lake Highway (S.R. 44) in the inverness, FL area. Redesignation from CLC, Coasta and Lakes Commercial (Area 9A), CL, Low intensity Coasta Development Code.

Property Location: Area 10: Section 24, Township 18 South, Range 19 East. Further described as Parsons Point Addition to Hernando, Block 25, Lots 43 through 57, and a portion of park site, all lying south of E. Parsons Point Road, Hernando, FL. Redesignation from CLR, Coastal Lakes Residential to PSI, Public/Semi
Public, Institutional, on the Atlas of the Land Development Code.

Property Location: Area 11: Section 33, Township 19 South, Range 20 East. Further described as Parcel 41000, Iying on S. Eva Holden Point in Inverness, FL Redesignation fro
Development Cod
Property Location: Area 12: Section 36, Township 20 South, Range 18 East. Further described as Parcel 70000, lying on the south side of CR-480 (W. Oak Park Boulevard), Homosassa, FL. Redesignation from RUR*, Rural Residential with mobile homes allowed to TCU, Transportation, Communication and Utilities on the Aoulevard), Homosassa, FL. Redesig

Property Location: Area 13: Section 02, Township 20 South, Range 20 East. Further described as Parcels 43400 and 43400-0010, whose address is 8901 E Gobbler Drive, Floral City, FL. Redesignation from REC, Recreation to CL, Low Intensity Coastal and Lakes, on the Atlas of the Land Development Code.
Property Location: Area 14: Section 22, Township 20 South, Range 20 East. Further described as portions of Parcels 44410 and 44420, whose addresses are 8520 and 8550 S . Florida Avenue, Flocral City, Florida. Redesignation from RUR, Rural Residential to LDR*, Low Density Residential with mobile homes allowed; and GNC General Commercial, on the Atlas of the Land Development Code.

Property Location: Area 15: Section 35, Township 17 South, Range 19 East. Further described as Parcels 1A000-0010 through 1A000-0090; Brookshire Acres Lots 13 and 14; Parcels 24100-0167 through 24100-0173 (aka 2D000-0167 through 2D000-0173); Hill N Dale, Block C, Lots 1 through 16; Parcel 32300 (aka Parcels 32300 and 32320 ); Parcel 33310 (aka Parcel 33300); Parcel 33000; Parcels $34000-0010$ through $3400-0040$; Hill N Dale, Block B; Parcel 43200 (aka Parcels 43210
and 43200 ); Parcel 33300 (aka Parcel 33400); Parcel 43300; Hill N Dale, Block D, Lots 1 through 26; Hill N Dale, Block A; Hill N Dale, Block F, Lots 1 through 13; Hill N Dale, Block E, Lots 1 and 2 (aka Lots 6 and 7), and Lots 8 through 19, Parcels 2D000-0130 through 2D000-0163, Parcel 1A000, Parcel 11200 and Parcel 12200 lying south of N. Lecanto Highway (CR-491) and north of N. Carl G. Rose Highway (SR-200), Hernando, Florida. Redesignation from CL*, Low Intensity Coastal and Lakes with mobile homes allowed, RUR, Rural Residential, and CLR*, Coastal Lakes Residential with mobile homes allowed to RUR*, Rural Residential with mobile homes allowed; LDR*, Low Density Residential with mobile homes allowed; and CON, Conservation (Parcels 11200, 1A000 and 12200 only), on the Atlas of the Land Development Code

Property Location: Area 16: Section 11. Township 19 South, Range 19 East. Further described as Golden Terrace Unrecorded Subdivision, Lots 1 through 71
 Lake Highway (aka S.R.-44), Inverness, Florida. Redesignation from MDR, Medium Density Residential to MDR*, Medium Density Residential with mobile home allowed, on the Atlas of the Land Development Code
Property Location: Area 17: Section 01, Township 21 South, Range 19 East. Further described as Parcel 41000 (aka a portion of Parcel 32000 ); and Section 36 Township 20 South, Range 19 East, Parcel 32100, lying on S. Pleasant Grove

A complete legal description of the properties is on file with the Land Development Division.


A public hearing on the proposed ordinance will be held by the Citrus County Planning and Development Review Board (PDRB) on January 5, 2012, at the Lecanto Government Building, 3600 West Sovereign Path, Room 166, Lecanto, Florida at 9:00 AM for their review and recommendalian 5 , 2012, ard of Count the PDRB moves through the Interested parties may appear at the meeting and be heard with respect to the proposed ordinance amendment.

A copy of the proposed application and supporting materials is available for public inspection and copying between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. at the Land Development Division, Suite 141, 3600 West Sovereign Path, Lecanto, Florida. For more information about this application please contact a Planner at the
Department of Development Services, Land Development Division, (352) 527-5239.

If any person decides to appeal any decision made by the board with respect to any matter considered at this hearing, he or she will need a record of the proceedings and, for such purpose, he
the appeal is to be based.

Any person requiring reasonable accommodation at this meeting because of a disability or physical impair should contact the County Admistrator's Office, Citrus County Courthouse, 110 North Apopka Ave
impaired, use the TDD telephone (352) 341-6580

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## Mixed day for stocks; tech sector takes hit

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QUESTIONABLE PROPOSAL

## Gain focus before role

is expanded

In a meeting with the Citrus funding some of the roles of the County Chronicle editorial county's public health agency board, Citrus County Hos- This is the second similar idea pital Board (CCHB) Chairman to float up from the board re-
Michael
cently. The earlier Midge offered ridge offered a
proposal for issuing identification cards to low-
income residents who have no insurance and yet do not qualify for Medicare
Medicaid.
Under SmallCCHB would con tract with Citrus

## THE ISSUE:

Hospital Board
chairman proposes ID cards for low. icome health care.

## OUR OPINION:

This is not the role the board was created to fill. one that died quietly was for a mo moetly was for a mo-
bile public health
clinic that would clinic that would travel around the county.
We recognize that the changes in law governing the last legislative session authorize a public health dimension to be in cluded in the role System and possibly with of the board, but this is not Seven Rivers Regional Med- what the board was created to cians to offer the medical care tax was enacted to support to individuals who have the This board is not our public identification cards.
He said he had not discussed the idea with other members of
the board, and wasn't sure how the board, and wasn't sure how the program would operate ad-
ministratively. He said he developed the idea after CCHB LaMarche said she heard of a card program in Lake City.
While this idea has not been fleshed out and no real details have been provided, on the surface it appears to be pro-
posing that CCHB take on health agency.
The tax was enacted and the board was created to support a county hospital. We believe this is still the appropriate role for the board. The fact that proposals such as this are floating does not have a cohesive strategy and focus.
There is nothing inherently wrong with issuing cards to help low-income residents ge health care, but this is not the
$T$ he United Way of Citrus County is trying to help feed the hungry this year and you can help. If each family in Citrus County con-
tributed $\$ 30$ (or more), the fundraising organization could meet its
 $\$ 50,000$ to match a private $\$ 50,000$ grant to push for the completion of the ood pantry in Homosassa Springs, vide food supplies to 51 nonprofit and

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

- Gerry Mulligan


## Thanks for your help.

## Too much demand

I see where California now has a minimum wage of $\$ 10.24$ an hour
No wonder the manufacturers are using China workers and we are jobless. Can't blame the manufac-
turers. When the demanders make

## Happy everything

 Wishing me happy holi-days is ust fine with me.
|t's al It's all inclusive - Thanks giving, Christmas, New
Year's, Hanukah, Kwanza or whatever. People canno tell by looking at you what your religion is. This is a
country of many religions, country of many religions,
so we're tolerant. Happy
$\qquad$
Breathing dirt
Once again the Republicans in
Congress have voted against the environmental protection for the people that live here. I don't know.
One of these days we'll probably be breathing dirt, if they have anything to do with it. The only thing they know is,

## Demand a ‘no’ vote

 Wake up, seniors. We have hadCOLA freeze for the past two years while Obama has given the workers a 2 percent reduction in Social Security trust fund from 6.2 percent to 4.2 percent. And in 2012, Obama wants to reduce the into the Social Security
trust fund to 3.1 percent. Social Security is
insolvent and this will reduce funds going into the Social Security trust
fund. The fact is, this $\$ 1,000$ savings Obama is claiming is a tax in-
crease, is false. It is a reduction of the contri. bution to the Social Se-
curity trust fund Take action and call your senators and your congressmen to vote no on

## Celebrate!

Armistice Day, now called Vet-
erans Day, is supposed to be a day of celebration. In this county it is considered a second Memorial Day. Why? Are we so


Of meatheads and Muslims

Where is Archie Bunker What viewers might gather from
when you need him? The the show is that the
reat reactionary, bigoted cur- of Muslims in America lead lives

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order changes in the social
order order. But because Archie was also portrayed with depth and VOIC sympathy, the laughs at his expense helped the audience come to grips with the turmoil they felt
wrestling with their own biases wrestling with their own biase
and those of family members. Perhaps an updated version Perhaps an updated version of the trend of bashing American Muslims, most recently on view in
the activism of the Florida Family the activism of the Florida Family
Association. This evangelical Association. This evangelical
Christian group is riled that a new television show, "All-American
Muslim" portrays its subjects alitMuslim," portrays its subjects a little too benignly. "Where are ji-
hadists?" the association demands hadists? the association demands to know. Why hasn't the program
featured terrorists, bomb-throwers or violence against women?
"All-American Muslim," which airs on TLC, chronicles the lives
of five families in Arab-American of five families in Arab-American
communities in Dearborn Mich a Detroit suburb with a genera-tions-long history as a home to Arabs, both Muslim and Chris-
tian. It's a reality show tian. It's a reality show - and not a particularly entertaining one in
the Snooki/Kardashian/toddlersine Snooki/Kardashian/toddilersslow and very, very explanatory. Zzzzzzz.
Perha
Perhaps that is because "AllAmerican Muslim" is portraying reality, and TLC (formerly known
as The Learning Channel) recog nizes some value in Americans, well, learning something on TV.

that are as mundane
and ordinary as their and ordinary as their
own. Lives filled with own. Lives filled with
work, faith and home. The episodes aired so far have been unapolo-
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ing that fact.
The Florid The Florida Family
Association calls this "propaganda." It complains that the show profiles only Muslims
that appear to be ordithat appears."
How deplorable. Imagine, a re-
ality show highlighting a broad ality show highlighting a broad
reality. reality.
There
There is a Muslim sheriff's deputy, a head football coach at
the local high school, a single mom and an adult daughter living with her somewhat overproSoctive mother.
Some of the characters are tra-
ditional, very focused on their ditional, very focused on their
faith, such as the couple who are new parents. Others are less so, like the ultra-hip mom who wants to open a nightclub. Some of the
women wear the hijab and many women wear the hijab and many
do not. And they- gasp!- speak Midwestern English.
In an effort to protect innocent Americans from this shocking truth, the Florida Family Association has pressured advertisers, most notably the hardware comadvertising.
We've seen this kind of thing before. Right-wing Christian groups love to target TV shows
and movies that portray gays and and movies that portray gays and
lesbians in a positive light. Right now, the Florida Family Association is also fretting that a new "Spider-Man" character is going to turn out to be gay. They're campaigning against Marvel and Dis-
ney to keep him in the closet ney to keep him in the closet.
The more this activism The more this activism suc-
ceeds, the more it fails. Ask

Lowe's how happy it is to be in the middle of this. The company has pulled a thread from its Facebook page on it decision to pull
advertising from "All-American Muslim." The company became alarmed at the rising hatred posted in comments.
That's all the more evidence that shows like "All-American
Muslim" are needed Recall what Muslim" are needed. Recall what icans' perception of race - yes, blacks can be affluent and uppermiddle class and funny. Then there was "Ellen" for gay Amerifor the portrayal of gay parenting in ABC's "Modern Family." The show doesn't shy from the often
effeminate characteristics of its popular co-stars. Most viewers
get the humor, and are willing to get the humor, a
live and let live.
In a sense, such programs don't change opinions on a given social issue so much as reflect the ways in which American opinions have already changed. In the 1970s, the Archie Bunker. America was ready to acknowledge and laugh at
the ignorance that lived on in the ignorance that lived on in his resentful heart. Such a character
wouldn't have been possible a generation earlier, when the struggle for civil rights was still very much These days, and death. These days, anti-Muslim ac-
tivism in America is a fringe phe tivism in America is a fringe phe-
nomenon, the province of opportunists on the right. Yet the fears it appeals to cannot be denied. A healthy dose of perspective is needed, and, strange as it
is to say, a sitcom or a reality is to say, a sitcom or a reality
show might just be the ticket.

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First kiss


Petty Officer 2nd Clas Marissa Gaeta, left, greets her girlfriend of two years, Petty Officer 3rd Class Cit at Joint Expeditionary Base Little Expeditionary ginia Beach, Va., after Gaeta's ship returned from
80 days at sea. A Navy tradition caught up with the repeal of the U.S. military's "don't ask, don't when the two women sailors became the first to kiss" on the pier afte Gaeta returned from 80 days at sea.

## Man crashes new

Lamborghini
SANTAQUIN, Utah - A truck driver who won a $\$ 380,000$ Lamborghini in a convenience store contest crashed the sports car six plans to sell the 640 -horsepower convertible because he cannot afford the insurance or taxes. "I already had offers on it. I'm going to sell it," David havp bills more important than a Lamborghini. I've got family to support." Dopp, a 34 -year-old truck driver for Frito-Lay, spun out of control just a few hours after taking the keys to the Murcielago Roadster that Lambo" contest sponsore by Maverik convenience store
World briefs
Polish loss


Polish soldiers with the NATO-led International Se curity Assistance Force (ISAF) stand guard where five Polish soldiers were killed when their armored military vehicle was hit by a roadside bomb in Ghazni, wes
Afghanistan.

## France weighs

 implant removal PARIS - French health authorities are considering a an bstimated 30,000 women to get their breast implants removed amid warnings about health risks.Officials from the Health Ministry are meeting Friday to decide what to recommend for women who have silicone implants made by Fren Prothese, or PIP. Some doctors say the implants pose a risk of rupture. A French cancer institute is also studying whether there are links between the implants and eight women
developed cancer after receiving them. Some 40,000 women in Britain are believed to have the PIP implants as well. Britain's Medicines and Healthcare Products Regulatory Agency said its own test-
ing had found no evidence of toxicity in the PIP implants and no evidence to suggest women should have them removed.

Fear, threats drive N. Korean grief

| Associated Press | Party, the military and state |
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| companies and institutions. |  |



Mourners grieve as they pay respects in front of a portrait of late North Korean leader Kim Jong II on Wednesday at
the Grand People's Study House in Kim II Sung Square in Pyongyang, North Korea.


Pro-regime protesters gesture toward a statue of a solider during a rally Wednesday at Umayyad Squareciaied Dases Pro-regime protesters gesture toward a statue of a solider during a rally Wednesday at Umayyad Square in Dam-
ascus, Syria. Syrian troops assaulting a northwest town with machine-gun fire and shelling have killed dozens in one of the deadliest episodes of the 9 -month-old uprising against President Bashar Assad's regime.

## Syrians kill 100

Activist calls attack on village 'organized massacre'

Associated Press BEIRUT - As govern ment troops advanced on a village in northwestern
Syria, activists say the Syria, activists say the
terrified residents fled terrified residents fled
into a valley for fear of into a valley for fear of What happened next,
one of the activists said, one of the activists said,
was "an organized was "an
massacre."
The troops surrounded the valley and unleashed a barrage of rockets, tank shells, bombs and gunfire in an hours-long assault, according to two human rights groups and a wit100 people and leaving no survivors in one of the bloodiest days of a crackdown by President
Bashar Assad against a Bashar Assad against a rising.
The White House said it was "deeply disturbed" by Tuesday's attack, France called it a "murArab League reminded the Assad regime of its re-


The death toll from two A Syrian solider flashes the victory sign as he is is thrown in the air during a raly
in Damascus, Syria
 Damascus, Syria.
massacre," said Rami British-based activist Abdul-Rahman, head of group. "The troops sur-
the Syrian Observatory rounded people, then

Economy ends 2011 on surprising upswing

Associated Press

## WASHINGTON

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a roll. 2011 on The job market is healthier. Americans are spend-
ing lustily on holiday gifts a long-awaited turnaround for the depressed housing industry may be under way. Gas is cheaper. Factories are bu
higher.

## higher. Not bad for an economy

 faced with a debt crisis inthis summer, scattered predictions of a second reces-
sion at home. Instead, the economy has grown faster
each quarter this year, and each quarter this year, and
the last three months should be the best.
When The Associated Press surveyed 43 economists in August, they pegged the likelihood of
another recession another recession at roughly one in four. The
Dow Jones industrial averDow Jones industrial aver-
age was lurching up or down by 400 points or more

There was plenty of rea-
son for gloom. A political son for gloom. A political
standoff over the federal borrowing limit brought the United States to the brink of default and cost the na-
tion its top-drawer credit tion its top-drawer credit
rating. Most analysts now rule out another recession. They think the economy will grow at an annual rate of more than 3 percent from October through December,
the fastest pace since a 3.8 percent performance the spring of 2010 .

Many economists still
worry that the year-end worry that the year-end
surge isn't sustainable, in surge isn't sustainable, in worker's pay is barely rising. And Europe may al-
ready be sliding into a ready be sliding into a
recession that will infect recession that will infect
the United States. The outlook could darken further if Congress can't break the impasse blocking an extension of a Social Se-
curity tax cut for 160 milcurity tax cut for 160 mil-
lion Americans and emergency unemployment benefits.

Obama to Boehner: Twomonth tax cut only option

## Associated Press

WASHINGTON - Careening toward a politically toxic tax hike, President Barack Obama implored House Speaker John
Boehner on Wednesday to get behind a two-month stopgap until a longer deal could be struck early next year, calling it the only real way ning the paychecks of 160 million workers and isolating House Republicans. In a weary Washington, the outreach accomplished little. All sides seemed to
end the day where they began, with heavy political and economic consequences at stake. Boehner remained insisent on a full-year extension cut before Jan. 1, urging Obama to haul Senate Democrats back to town to talk "Let's chot this nogotiators, "Let's get this done today,"
Boehner told Obama, according to a speaker's aide, who required anonymity to characterize a private But the Cap But the Capitol was empate showed no inclination to return, having already passed a bipartisan twomonth tax cut it thought had
settled the matter.
For taxpayers, and for an
economy starting to show some life again, the standoff was all holiday gloom. Barring any action by
Congress, Social Security Congress, Social Security
payroll taxes will go up almost $\$ 20$ a week for a worker making a $\$ 50,000$
salary - that's $\$ 40$ less for a salary - that's $\$ 40$ less for a ypical paycheck or $\$ 1,000$ 2 million people would lose unemployment benefits as well.
The political risks seemed only to deepen, too,
particularly for House Reparticularly for House Repoised to take the biggest blame for a tax increase even while pushing for a deeper one.
The reliably conservative
editorial page of The Wall Street Journal blasted both Boehner and Sen. Mitch McConnell, the GOP leader, for how they handled the matsomehow managed the remarkable feat of being blamed for opposing a oneyear extension of a tax holiday that they are surely editorial said.
In a year of legislative brinksmanship remarkable even by Washington stan-
dards, the latest fight spilled into the lap of Republican candidates
president.
Former House Speaker
Newt Gingrich chastised Congress, particularly the Senate, for failing to extend the 2 percentage point tax uth a full yea
"They can't figure out how sion, so the Senate leaves town?" Gingrich remarked while campaigning in Iowa. "It's an
Rival Mitt Romney refused to take a position,
again steering clear of Washington's hot policy debate.
"'m not going to get into the back-and-forth on the ing process," the former Massachusetts governor told reporters after events in New Hampshire. "I hope woyr out a solution that works for the American people."

## Sports

Pigskin Predictions/B2
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## Griffin picked Player of the Year

Baylor QB keeps rolling up accolades with latest award

Associated Press

WACO, Texas - Robert Griffin III played football for years simply because he was good at it.<br>Then Baylor's exciting dual-threat quarterback tore the ACL in his right knee and missed the last nine games of the 2009 season. While stuck on the side- line watching, he realized just how much

he loved the game.
"After a knee injury like that, a lot of times you see guys come back and it's not the same," Griffin said. "So I didn't want that to be attached to me, great player, got
hurt, never was the same. ... My goal was to come back better, not only for myself, but for my teammates. Goal accomplished for Griffin, who ex celed while raising Baylor out of the Big 12 basement.
Already th
Arophy and Davey O'Brien Award, Griffin won AP Player of the Year on Wednesday The aspiring lawyer, who arrived at
Baylor nearly four years ago as a 17-year Baylor nearly four years ago as a 17 -year
kid after graduating high school early, is the nation's most efficient passer this sea-
son, throwing for 3,998 yards with a Bi 12-eading 36 touchdowns and only six in-
terceptions. He also ran for 644 yards and nine more scores.
Baylor (9-3) has a five-game winning streak, its longest in 20 years, going into the Alamo Bowl next week. With a win over Washington, the 15th-ranked Bears
would match the school record of 10 wins set during Mike Singletary's senior sea son in 1980.
Baylor quarterback Ree AP/Page B won The Associated Press college fort III has player of the year, adding another award er of the year, adding another award
to his impressive postseason haul. Associated Press


## SPORTS BRIEFS

## Magic slip by Heat

 in preseason finale ORLANDO - Glen Davis had 18 points, Dwight Howard and Jason Richardson each added 15 and theOrlando Magic overcame a 14 -point halftime deficit to beat the Miami Heat 104-100 on Wednesday nigh in the preseason finale for both teams. Davis had a 13 -point third quarter to help ignite the comeback and Or
lando got a late lift from its reserves to secure the win, including strong fourth-quarter efforts by veteran Larry Hughes and rookie Justin Harper.
LeBron James had 27 points and Dwyane Wade added 21 for the Heat. Reserve Norris Cole chipped in 11 points.
son as part of the NBA regular sea Christmas Day schedule. Miami travels to defending champion Dallas for a finals rematch and Oklahoma City hosts the Magic. Both teams entered Wednesday night's game dealing with some
training camp injury issues. The training camp injury issues.
Magic played without Hedo Turkoglu, who sat with a bruised left hip. Quentin Richardson took his place in the starting lineup. The Heat also were tender, with Mik Miller (hernia), Shane Battier (quadriceps), Eddy Curry (hip) and
Eddie House (knee) all resting Whether it was just the iniur bug or something else, the rust definitely showed for both sides early on. James badly missed on a pair of free throws in the opening minutes, including an air ball on one attemp. Both James and his teammates
were able to settle down, however, were able to settle down, however,
with James and Wade each scoring to push the lead to as many as 23 en route to the halftime advantage. Orlando missed its first 12 shots from the field overall and its first 13 3 -point attempts. The Magic regrouped to make 8 of its final shots from beyond the arc. have a small dust-up late in the third quarter when Richardson was called for a technical after he was caught delivering a shoulder into James' chest. The contact came after the pair collided while running down the court.

Penske hires

## Allmendinger to drive

MOORESVILLE, N.C. - AJ Allmendinger hit the jackpot Wednesday. After losing his primary sponsor with Richard Petty's team, Roger Penske quickly hired the improving Sprint Cup driver to replace Kurt Busch in the No. 22 car. pairing. To the Penske team, it was a move that simply made sense. "I guess the word 'potential' is what continues to come up, Penske Racing president Tim Cindric said on a conference call. "We looked at everybody, we did our due diligence. AJ is somebody we've
talked to over the years, but he wa n't somebody we considered until really the 11 th hour when there was noise that they (Petty's team) might not be able to make things work over there. But nobody has had a better progression than he has." Cindric would not divulge details
of the contract, though it is believed of the contract, though it is believed
to be a one-year deal. He also acto bowledged that the team's short list of candidates was actually quite long and included many of the rumored names - Brian Vickers, David Ragan and David Reutimann among them.

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| Follow the Chronicle's "experts" all season long as they pick the biggest games of the year. |  |  | A.B. Sidibe |  |  |  |  |
| Last Week's Results | 9-11 | 10-10 | 8-12 | 9-11 | 8-12 | 6-14 | 12-8 |
| Season total | 299-135 | 299-135 | 286-148 | 280-154 | 276-158 | 273-161 | 217-217 |
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| Houston at Indianapolis | Indy | Houston | Houston | Houston | Houston | Houston | Houston |
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| St. Louis at Pittsburgh | Pittsburgh | Pittsburgh | Pittsburgh | Pittsburgh | Pittsburgh | Pittsburgh | St. Louis |
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| Minnesota at Washington | Wash. | Wash. | Wash. | Wash. | Wash. | Minnesota | Minnesota |
| Tampa Bay at Carolina | Carolina | Carolina | Carolina | Carolina | Carolina | Carolina | Tampa Bay |
| Cleveland at Baltimore | Baltimore | Baltimore | Baltimore | Baltimore | Baltimore | Baltimore | Cleveland |
| San Diego at Detroit | Detroit | Detroit | Detroit | Detroit | Detroit | San Diego | Detroit |
| Philadelphia at Dallas | Philly | Dallas | Dallas | Philly | Dallas | Philly | Dallas |
| San Francisco at Seattle | San Fran. | San Fran. | Seattle | San Fran. | San Fran. | San Fran. | Seattle |
| Chicago at Green Bay | Green Bay | Green Bay | Green Bay | Green Bay | Green Bay | Chicago | Chicago |
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| COLIECE BOWL GAMES |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Arizona St. vs. Boise State | Boise St. | Boise St. | Boise St. | Boise St. | Boise St. | Boise St. | Boise St. |
| Nevada vs. Southern Miss. | So. Miss. | So. Miss. | So. Miss. | So. Miss | So. Miss | So. Miss. | Nevada |
| Mizzou vs. North Carolina | Mizzou | Mizzou | UNC | Mizzou | Mizzou | Mizzou | UNC |
| W. Michigan vs. Purdue | Purdue | West. Mich. | Purdue | Purdue | Purdue | Purdue | Purdue |
| Louisville vs. NC State | NC State | Louisville | Louisville | NC State | Louisville | Louisville | Louisville |
| Toledo vs. Air Force | Air Force | Toledo | Air Force | Air Force | Air Force | Air Force | Air Force |
| California vs. Texas | Texas | Texas | Texas | Texas | Texas | Texas | Texas |

## AP picks Big Blue over Gang Green in NY matchup

## Jets, Giants both fighting for playoffs

 Associated PressNew York, New York. If you can make it there, you can make it Unywhere.
playoffs, in which case the loser of the Big Apple showdown Saturday between the Giants and Jets will need loads of help to get in. Even the winner will be guaranteed virIt's not exactly a battle of the elite of the NFL; more like grounded airplanes hosting Lilliputians. boroughs, Westchester, Rockland,
Long Island and, of course, New Jersey, where both teams actually live and work. "We're playing for our playoff guard Brandon Moore said. "(It) definitely will be that kind of atmosphere coming up, so I think, to us, that's the biggest focus. Whatever rivalry there is, that'll be
taken care of with all of the other taken care of with all of the other
type of things that come into play." type of things that come into play."
The Jets are 3-point favorites, and don't anyone dare say that's for home-field advantage. Some-
how, Pro Picks thinks the Giants how, Pro Picks thinks the Giants
will be comfortable at Met Life will be comfortable at Met L
Stadium on Christmas Eve. Stadium on Christmas Eve.


## UURCE: Bary Winer, AP

"It's one of those environments at is electric," Giants linebacker defense, because neither team ha Mathias Kiwanuka said. "You ceivers. That bodes far better for have two teams that share a build- Eli Manning, who's having an exing, we hang out, we live and cellent year despite the Giants' 7 -
everything within close quarters. 7 record, than it does for Mark everything within close quarters. 7 record, than it does for Mar We share some fans. We just un-
derstand that it's a big game re-
GIANTS,
and the Jets ( $8-6$ - $)$. at New Orleans to see them just because of how passionate the fans are on both sides."
There will be plenty There will be plenty of passion, are letting good times roll.
for sure. And probably not much
BEST BET: SAINTS, $30-20$

San Diego (plus $21 / 2$ ) at Detroit
Typical late-season charge by Typical late-season charge by
Bolts might be too late. Bolts might te too late.
UPSET SPECIAL: CHARGERS, 28-27

Houston (minus 6 ) at Indianapolis
Can the Colts mess up getting
Andrew Luck by winning again? Andrew Luck by winning again? TEXANS, 17-13 Philadelphia (plus 2 1/2 Philadelphia(plus $21 / 2$ )
at Dallas One more step toward .500 sea-
son for Philly. But Giants win ends Eagles' playoff chances. $\underset{\text { at Cincinnati }}{\text { Arizona }} \mathbf{( \text { plus }} 41 / 2$ ) Bengals can taste wild card with win, but it won't be easy.
BENGALS, 21-20 BENGALS, 21-20 Oakland (plus 1)
at Kansas City Been a while since this con Centious rivalry meant something CHIEFS, 19-16
Denver (minus 3) Tebow and company get back to winning ways.
BRONCOS, 22-13
San Francisco (minus 3)
San Francisco (min
at Seattle
Tough assignment for Niners, who showed they are tough team against Pittsburgh.

Miami (plus 10)
Patriots going for home-field
edge throughout AFC playoffs. This will help.

Cleveland (plus 13) at Baltimore A bunch of angry birds take it put on Browns.
RAVENS $20-10$

Jacksonville (plus 8)
at Tennessee After losing to Indy, Titans can
fall to anybody - except Jags this fall to anybody - except Jags this
week. week.

Minnesota (plus $61 / 2$ ) at Washington
ared Allen on sacks mission, needs five to tie record.
REDSKINS 21-10 REDSKINS, 21-10
Chicago (plus 12 1/2) Chicago (plus $121 / 2$ )
at Green Bay Injuries have turned Chicago
into the Bad News Bears. into the Bad News Bears.
PACKERS, $31-10$ PACKERS, $31-10$
Tampa Bay (plus $71 / 2)$ at Carolina Panthers showing much more
life than moribund Bucs. life than moribund Bucs.
PANTHERS, 27-13 PANTHERS, 27-13
St. Louis ( OFF ) at Pittsburgh
Rams, like Vikings, still alive for op draft slot.
STEELERS,
RECORD
Against spread: 9-5 (overall 110-
4-4); straight up 9-7 (overall 14480).

Best Bet: 2-13 against spread,
$10-5$ straight up. $0-5$ straight up.
Upset Special: 10-5 against


WACO, Texas - Brittney Griner had 15 points, 13 re bounds and four blocks in just ranked Baylor beat Mc Neese State $90-50$ on Wednesday night.
Freshman Sune Agbuke also had a double-double
with 10 points and 15 rewith 10 points and 15 re-
bounds for Baylor (12-0), which had six players score in double figures. Odyssey Sims had 16
Kimetria Hayden Kimetria Hayden 15, Des
tiny Williams 13 points and tiny Williams 13 points and
Ashley Field scored 10

No. 2 UConn 72,
Col. of Charleston 24
CHARLESTON, S.C. - Bria Hartley scored 15 points and
Kaleena Mosqueda-Lewis added 13 as No. 2 Connecticut bounced back from a rare regular season loss with a $72-2$ victory over the College of Charlest
night.
night. The Huskies' defense befuddled Charleston (2-8). The Cougars made just seven of their 49 shots ( 14 percent) and turned the ball over 24 times. Charleston's 24 points were just four away from the best fensive effort ever by the
No. 17 Georgetown 71,
17 Georgetown
No. 7 Miami 46 WASHINGTON - Sugar Rodgers scored 24 points and
No. 17 Georgetown held sev-enth-ranked Miami to 21 percent shooting in a $71-46$ rout Wednesday night. The Hoyas (10-2) limited the nation's highest-scoring team to its s. They stifled the Hurricanson ) for the start goin ahead $34-21$ at haltitime holding Miami to just one field goal in the last six minutes, and maintained a double-digit lead the rest of the way
With just over seven minutes remaining, Suriya McGuire hit
3-pointer to bring Miami within 15. But the Hoyas answered with a 12-0 run, highlighted by Tia Magee's three-point play.

No. 8 Kentucky 90,
Samford 61
LEXINGTON, Ky. - Samantha Drake scored 18 points and No. 8 Kentucky rebounded from its first loss of the season
by routing Samford $90-61$ by routing Samford $90-61$ cats' 31 st straight nonconference home victory. Kentucky (11-1) never trailed against Samford (6-5) after falling at No. 3 Notre Dame on Sunday. Aganst the Buldog everyone got involved wis all 13 players on his bench in all the first half.
No. 16 Penn State 78,
Bucknell 54
LEWISBURG, Pa. - Maggie Lucas scored 22 points to help No. 16 Penn State beat Bucknell $78-54$ on Wednesday night in the Nittany Lions' final nonleague contest before Big Ten play starts next week. tame topping 20 points for game topping 20 points for Penn
State (10-2), which is now off until Dec. 30 when it opens conference play against Nebraska. The Nittany Lions took advantage of 24 percent shooting by the Bison (2-10) in the first half.

Horned Frogs, Bulldogs tangle in Poinsettia Bowl


Associated Press CHAPEL HILL, N.C. Harrison Barnes scored a season-high 26 points to
help No. 5 North Carolina beat Texas 82-63 on Wednesday night. John Henson added 14
points for the Tar Heels (11points for the Tar Heels (11-
2), who won their fifth straight and avenged last season's last-second loss to the Longhorns. North Carolina went on a 13-1 run to build a double-
digit lead midway through digit lead midway through looked back, turning a $39-23$
halftime lead into a 24 pint halftime lead into a 24 -poin
margin late in the game. margin late in the game.
Barnes was coming off consecutive nine-point performances, but the sophoactive and assertive against
the Longhorns by attacking good job of get the rim or posting up on
shorter defenders. He made 9 of 15 shots and finished with 10 rebounds, part of UNC's 49-34 advan-
tage on the glass J'Covan Brown on the glass.
J' of three players with 16 points for Texas (9-3), which shot just 35 percent
and never recovered from a and nevert.
It was a far more focused performance by North Carolina after looking flat and
disinterested during Mondisinterested during Monday night's 50-point win
against Nicholls State. The Tar Heels showed just nough spark in the second half of that one to talk an early morning practice day, whil
ready to play.
The Tar Heels looked eady this time around perhaps partly due to what meeting. in last year' The Longhorns had eaten North Carolina in each of the previous two Decembers. Last year, Cory umper with 1.4 seconds left to help Texas win 78-76 in Greensboro, about an hour west of Chapel Hill. Two years ago, the Longboys Stadium.
In fact, Texas had won ine past four meetings dat75 win over the Tar Heels in the second round of the nd Willa tournament to
$\frac{\text { B4 Turban, December 22, }}{\text { HOCKEY }}$

## NHL standings



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1 p.m. (SUN) Loyola (Md.) at Kentucky.
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11 p.m. (FSNFL) Kansas at USC
11 p.m. (FSNFL) Kansas at USC.
NBA BASKETBALL
6:30 p.m. (SUN) Preseason: Miami Heat at Or
6:30 p.m. (SUN) Preseason: Miami Heat at Orlando Magic. (Taped)
COLLEGE FOOTBALL 8 pm. (ESPN)
Boise State.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL
co Bowl Las Vegas: Arizona State vs
NFL FOOTBALL
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8:20 pm. (NFL NETWORK) Houston Texans at Indianapolis Colts.
HOCKEY
7:30 pm. (FSNFL) Florida Panthers at Ottawa Senators.
7:30 p.m. (FSNFL) Florida Panthers at Ottawa Senators.
PREMIER LEAGUE SOCCER
2:55 pm. (ESPN2) Tottenham Hotspur vs. Chelsea.


## AP

In his comeback from in jury last year, after getting a Griffin helped lead the Bears to their first Top 25 ranking since 1993 and their first bowl game in the Big 12 era. Baylor hadnt even had a win-
ing season in the first 14 Big
That year on the sideline
was the toughest for Griffin


JAIL welterweight sup ally measured.
A long-awaited fight between the two men re-
garden as among the best of their generation has been delayed by stalling techniques and verbal sparring. The two men have a
defamation lawsuit pending in Las Vegas federal ments by Mayweather that he suspects Pacquiao was

## WEBER

runners usually have the
benefit of running year
round including the summer Weber didn't have that
summer warm-up period. summer warm-up period. you don't know if she ran
over the summer," over the summer," Lattin
said. "Her being a ninth grader made it that much
more incredible" more incredible."
She showed
something fresh.
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"I th
"I think that she led by ex-
ample," her coach ample," her coach said
"The older girls on the team liked her as a person. It didn't take long for the rest of the team to understand that Alyssa is a special runner."
Lattin is figuring on more satin is figuring on more trips to state possibly with
Weber alone or with the rest Weber alone or with the re
of the Citrus High team. Maybe, she will even. collect a medal or
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the vessel, you will be responsible for all costs of removing said vessel, and possibly subject to a fine.
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While were on the subeject, if you happen to find an
abandoned vessel, forget about simple salvage. You cant just recover the vessel and say it's now yours. In the "Vessel Salvage there are no Vessel Salvage Rights," and in order to claim title to an follow the "Statutes for Found Property," You must report said found property, in this case a boat, to law en-
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$\qquad$ columnist RG Schmidt can be reached at rgschmidt@ embarqmail.com
licenses for all fighters exmire on Saturday, and most,
including Mayweather, have yet to reapply for next
He said Mayweather would be asked on his license application if he was convicted of any mi Kizer said commission ers would then decide
whether to approve or deny his license or hold a hearing to talk about it. The commission has been in and Mayweather's lawyers as cases against him have progressed, he said.


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Florida has many couple months
advantages For many Florida has many rivers at just about any time of the year.
With the coldest months of the year right around the
corner, many boaters choose corner, many boaters choose
to leave their vessel in the garage for extended periods
of time and that can have a of time and that can have a
detrimental effect if the boat sits too long, accordin to one marine technician. Dave's Mobile Marine Service, has been a marine technician since 1974 and has seen just about everything
there is to see in relation to there is to see in relation to Miller offers some valuable tips on protecting your investment during those times when your boat may
have to sit for extended periods of time.
"Very rarely do you have
to winterize a motor in thi to winterize a motor in this part of Florida," he said. "We are blessed in this part of the country with beauti-
ful weather. But if your boat is going to sit longer than a month, you need to do a few things to pre
related issues."
In a perfect world Miller says it's best to use your boa at least every two to weeks, but sometimes that is not possible.
He recommends if you know you will be lettin tended period, to take some time for some preventative measures. The short time it takes to do the preventative dreds, even thousands, of dollars in repair work. "I recommend when you take your boat out for the last time that you put fuel
conditioner in the gas tank and run the gas completely out of the tank. That will get the conditioner throughou the entire fuel system," Miller advises.
many fuel system problem that boaters are experiencing today. He says there is a number of good, quality additives such as Marine STA-
BIL, Startron or Marvel Mystery Oil can be used pe the manufacturer's direc- should be checked as wel tions to help fight the effects as grease added to whee of ethanol in today's fuel. $\quad$ Miller. also advises if you Some other simple steps intend to cover your boat
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Dave Miller, owner of Dave's Mobile Marine Service, works on an outboard MATHEW BECKChronicis解 plans are not in your future this winter.
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says that shouldn't be a WHEN: 2 to 5 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 21.
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## Outdoors BRIEFS

Boating safety course offered for 2 Saturdays The United States Coast Guard Auxiliary, Homosassa Fotilla 15-4, will condacct two-session "About Boating Jan. 14 and 21 , from 9 am. to 1 p, This safe boating class will be taught at the West Cinte class wil be laught 8940 Veterans Drive Homity Center Subjects covered will include knowledge of your boat, boating preparation, how to navigate on the waterways, safe vessel operation and the legal requirements, both federal and state. Also included will be information on boating emergencies/what to do, carbon monoxid
hypothermia warnings
At the completion of this program, the student will receive a certificate of completion, a safe boating card and the knowledge and information for safe boating to truly enjoy the beautiful Florida waters. Total cost is $\$ 30$. for the class, call Rusty Hayes at 352 for the class, call Rusty rayes at 352 -
$598-4369$, or Elaine Miranda at 352 -564-2521.

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## Chronicle

Tide charts

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## Spotlight on

 PEOPLEBieber skates with Maple Leafs
TORONTO-Back Bieber found some Justin
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The $17-$
year-old
pop star
took the
ice with
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Canada rsday. He skated with players Dion Phaneuf, Jake Gardiner, Tyler Bozak before tap ing his Christmas special at Massey Hall.
Super Bowl to get star treatment
INDIANAPOLIS Patti LaBelle, Bret Michaels and En Vogue
are among the artists are among the artists
who will perform in free who will perform in free
concerts during the week concerts during the week Bowl in Indianapolis. The Super Bowl Host
Committee made the anCommittee made the announcement Wednesday.
The artists will perform on stages along Georgia Street beginning Jan. 27. A specific schedule was not announced.
Other artists scheduled Other artists scheduled toad Todd and the Monsters, Corey Cox, Darius Rucker, Dierks Bentley,
Edwin McCain, Fitz \& the Edwin McCain, Fitz \& the
Tantrums, Fuel, Here Tantrums, Fuel, Here
Come the Mummies, IU's Come the Nu Naser, LMFAO, O.A.R, Railroad Earth, Sixpence None
the Richer, Umphrey's the Richer, Umphreys
McGee and Will Hoge. McGee and Will Hoge.
More artists are expected to be added.
Madonna will perform
Editor ousted over racial slur AMSTERDAM - The editor of a Dutch fashion
 after the publica-
tion used a racial a racial
slur to refer to
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outraged response from the singer Eva Hoeke, editor of zine's publisher said in a joint statement on Facebook that the misuse of a racial slur -"although
without malicious intenwions" - was cause for Hoeke's departure after eight years on the job. Hoeke said at first that her use of the term meant as a joke.
She then put out Twitter item with a more explicit apology. Hoeke said she didn't know the word was so loaded. responded herself via Twitter: "Your magazine is a poor representation of the evolution of huma rights! I find you disre
spectful, and rather spectfu, and desperate!
She ended her tweet
with an indelicate phrase

## Laughing matter?



In this image released by ABC, from left to right, Kate Reinders, Kirstin Eggers, Rebecca Mader and Ben Koldyke are seen during a scene from "Work It," on the ABC Television Network.
ABC's new sitcom 'Work It' gets detractors all worked up


#### Abstract

Associated Press denunciation of one of entertain-

NEW YORK - Viewers may find ABC's new sitcom "Work It" to be cringingly awful fr But the show, which depicts two out-of-work chaps who dress as women to land jobs in a tough economy, has drawn fire from groups with a different complaint: They say community. "Though the show is not about transgender people, it's about the notion that men presenting as women is funny, said Herndon liance Against Defamation. "It re-enforces inaccurate and tired stereotypes that are injurious to transgender Americans," said Fred Sainz of the Human Rights Fred Sainz of the Human Rights tion working on behalf of lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender Americans. HRC is joining GLAAD in urging supporters to ask ABC no to supporters to ask ABC not to air the miere Jan. 3. On Wednesday, the two organizations placed a full-page ad in Daily ""Work It' will harm transgender people" The ad continues "Byen people."" The ad continues, "By enthe characters' attempts at womanhood, the show gives license to similar treatment of transgender "But is the campaign that targets "Work It" also, by extension, a broad ment's most enduring device cross-dressing for comic effect? This is a tradition that includes the late actor-drag queen includes pearing in outrageous female roles in "Hairspray" and other John Waman who adopted a persona as a Scottish nanny in the persona as a 1993 comedy "Mrs. Doubtfire." In 1982, "Tootsie" starred Dustin Hoffman as an out-soft-spoken actress to land a woman's role on a soap opera. The 1959 film classic "Some Like It Hot" starred Jack Lemmon and Tony Curtis as two straight guys who disguise themselves as women to seek refuge in an all-girl band after witnessing a mob hit. The play, films and Broadway musical "La Cage aux Folle"" mict the zany domestic life of a pict the zany domestic life of a nightclub manager and his romantic partner, the star attraction in the club's drag performance. And on TV, Tom Hanks appeared with Peter Scolari in the 1980s sitcom "Bosom Buddies," which depicted male Buddies," which depicted male roommates posing as women to gain entry to a budget-priced apartment building which admitted only female residents. $\quad$ Flash forward to "Work It" which Flash forward to "Work It," which pairs what the network calls "two unrepentant guy's guys" (Lee Stanunrepentant guy's guys" (Lee Stana ladies' man) who lost their jobs at a car dealership and have gone a "It's not a recession, it's a mancession," says a commiserating friend. "Women are taking over the Sork force." Lee (Ben Koldyke) hears of openings for sales reps at a phar maceutical company. But the com pany is looking f to fill the slots. The company has hired guys in he past, Lee learns, but they didn" work out: "The doctors seem to ant to nail them less.' Lee knows what he must do: He dresses up as a woman, however preposterously, and wins a job from the unsuspecting firm. So does his buddy, Angel (Amaury Nolasco), who is similarly costumed. With their linebacker physiques, squeaky voices and amateurish makeup, neither man would fool a 5 -year-old, which is meant to be part of the joke - whereupon aughs ensue (at least, from the But while painfully unfunny, is Work It" poised to inflict real damage on the transgender community? On Wednesday, ABC declined to comment on the brewing contro ersy, and declined to make anyone it. There's been an understanding that to make other minority groups seem ridiculous on the basis of ap pearance alone is not accepted in pearance alone is not accepted in modern media," Graddick said. "I he net result of this show is that it makes it easier to laugh at transgender people or negates their ex perience in our society, it's continuing."


## Prince Harry says he is returning to Afghanistan



Birthday: In the coming months, youil be developing sev eral enviable attributes that will enable you to better cope
with the world around you As these with the world around you. As these qualities de
you're likely to become far more self-assured. Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) - If you hope to be an effe tive leader, you must first set the example that you wish others to follow. They'll believe only in what you do, not necessarily in what you say.
Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb 19) Aquarius (Jan. 200 someone might not be - That sudden whim to drop is in the middle of something and doesn't want to be disturbed, you won't be welcomed. Call first.
Pisces (Feb. 20-March 20) Pisces (Feb. 20-March 20) - Look gift horses in the something for no apparent reason, chances are he or she will be expecting you to return the favor at the drop of a ha Aries (March 21-April 19) - This can be either a good day

## choose to spend your time. Select pals who share the

 same interests as you.Taurus (April 20-May 20) - Your attention span might not have much staying power, so it could be best to do all the demanding lasks tirst. As you tire, switch to no-brainer job Gemini be knocked off quickly.
Gemini (May 21 -June 20) - Don't be too quick to put a new acquaintance. What she or he is selling could be all sizzle and no steak.
Cancer (June 21-July 22) - Should two friends of yours of whom you're equally fond be at odds with one another, stay on you instead.
Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) - If you're using a helpmate to
person is doing. Being less knowledgeable, he or she won't
be as safety-conscious as you.
Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept 22) - As prudent as you are you Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) - As prudent as you are, you could still let your guard down and empty your wallet before especially ones of a social nature.
Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) - When making a request of your mate, a lack of tact on your part could cause him or her to Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) - Friends aren't likely to be prepared to cope with any last-minute changes. Thus, try to let hem know your intentions well in advance, so there won be any glitches in anybody's plans. Sagittarius (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) - Your expectations might not be based upon realistic factors. Thus, self-discipiline is
likely to be required in order to subdue temptations to take

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## Today in

HISTORY= Today is Thursday, Dec.
22, the 356th day of 2011 .
There are nine days left in There are nine days left in the year. Winter arrives at 12:30 a.m. Eastern tim
Today's Highlight: On Dec. 22, 1941, British On Dec. 22, 1941, Britis
Prime Minister Winston Churchill arrived in Washington for a wartime conference with President Franklin D. Roosevelt.
On this date:
In 1864, during the Civil War, Union Gen. William T. to President Abraham Lincoln: "I beg to present you as a Christmas-gift the city of Savannah In 1910, a fire lasting more
than than 26 hours broke out at the Chicago Union Stock
Yards; 21 firefighters were killed in the collapse of a burning building. In 1944, during the World
War II Batle War II Battle of the Bulge, U.S. Brig. Gen. Anthony C.
McAulife rejected a Germa demand for surrender, writing "Nuts!" in his official reply Ten years ago: Hamid Karzai was sworn in as prime minister of Afghanistan's in terim government. Five years ago: Space Earth after a smooth, 13-day flight to rewire the international space station. One year ago: President Barack Obama signed a law allowing gays for the first time in history to serve open Today's Birthdays mer House Speaker Jim Wright is 89. Actor Hector Elizondo is 75 . Country singer Red Steagall is 73 . Former World Bank Group Presiden Paul Wolfowitz is 68. Baseton is 67 . ABC News anchor Diane Sawyer is 66 . Rock singer-musician Rick Nielsen (Cheap Trick) is 65 . Rock singer-musician Michael Bacon is 63 . Baseball All-Star Steve Garvey is 63 . Singer
Robin Gibb is 62 . Golfer Jan Stephenson is 60 . Actress BernNadette Stanis is 58 . Rapper Luther Campbell is 51. Country singer-musicia Chuck Mead is 51 . Actor Ralph Fiennes is 49. Actress Lauralee Bell is 43 . Count
singer Lori McKenna is 43 Actress Dina Meyer is 43 . tress Heather Donahue is 38 . Actor Chris Carmack is 31 . Actor Logan Huffman is 22 Rhythm-and-blues singe

# Baked to order 



Just a Cupcake Bakery and Café offer a variety of gourmet cup cakes as well as freshly made cakes like this Almond Joy cake. Indulge in Christmas cheer with creative confections from cupcake bakery

Julianne Munn
Chronicle food writer

Just a Cupcake Bakery and
Café is the new specialty shop in Heritage Village in ystal River and right now, it's flush with Christmas treats both for sale and made to order. Lynn Coker is the owner at the bakery and cafe on Citrus Av-
enue, but this longtime baker offers much more than cupcakes This week she has plenty of holiday three-layer cakes, cupcakes and cheesecakes, as well as
soups and sandwiches. soups and sandwiches. shares her unique recipes for Christmas pomegranate cupcakes and Boston cream cupcakes, two desserts that won't last long when you bring them
home or share them at parties. Coker, who lives in Citrus Springs with husband Ron and 19 -year-old son Clinton said her experience spanned years of
working in the bakery and deli working in the bakery and deli
at Kash 'n Karry Supermarket in at Kash in Karry Supermarketing specialties for her family. The couple also has two adult daughters, Shauna and Stacey, and McKenzey.
"Baking is my passion," she said, noting her retail baking venture started at the monthly Saturday Market Days on Citrus Avenue with a boothorering he cupcakes. "The first time out,
sold 40 , and after that I could hardly keep up with the orders. That's when she decided to move into her own shop, which once housed the Highlander
Café (now two doors down the block). Coker continues to support
Market Day in a big way. She reMarket Day in a big way. She recently offered $\$ 5$ pancake and sausage and a biscuit and gravy
specials to early shoppers at the Heritage Village Shoppes. It day

 Richmond and Sarah Davis

## JUST A CUPCAKE BAKERY AND CAFE

- LOCATION: 652 N. Citrus Ave., Crystal River. It is about a
- HOURS: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday - CALL: For more information, call 352-601-1556.
may become a regular Market Day event, she said. In addition to baked goods from scratch every day special include a Southwest bistro sandwich of ham or egg salad with apricot mustard on rustic sunflower bread. All choices ar
7.50 with $\$ 2$ extra 7.50 with $\$ 2$ extra for sides.
Other Other goods include hotiches with ham, pork, Swis heese, pickles, mayonnaise and mustard; and chicken salad sliders (three per serving) served on day.

Soup is made daily and might include hot chili, black beans decides. Another side is fresh sweet coleslaw and a house salad. A chef's salad is planned for the menu after Christmas. are available.
Coker also caters for parties
and special events and will de liver in the area for a minimum of five orders.
She said cupcakes are always ready for customers every day, $\$ 2.50$ each or a dozen for $\$ 25$. readily available.

Some of her specialty 10 -inch three-layer cakes (\$45 each) are hree-layer cakes (\$45 each) ar Daniel's Whiskey); Almond Joy carrot, butter rum, Black Forest, red velvet, and Reese's Pieces She suggested ordering them a day or two in advance. $\$ 40$ for the large, whole cakes. In addition to seating inside, wrought iron tables with pink umbrellas are on the terrace Just a Cupcake
Café is on North Citrus Avenue about a block north of U.S. 19 in Crystal River. Hours are from 10 a.m. to $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Monday through
$\qquad$
Coker said her shop will be ering starting Dec family gathreopen Jan. 2. For information call 352-601-1556.

See CUPCAKE/Page C2

## Sharing the ABCs of Christmas trivia <br> Jー

very year, this
column departs
from its usual format. Instead of sug-
gesting a bunch of wines gesting a bunch of wines feast, we write about Christmas trivia, from The co gentle readers are great. So it is fitting to repeat this theme and share some more
 \& SUCH
celebrate or not. F - The Friday and Saturday B - During the before Christmas are the two canes will be made. giving, as many believe. C-Christmas Club G $\quad$ George Washington spent duced in America by the Pennsylaccounts began in 1905. Christmas night 1776 crossing the vania Dutch, who called him Kris Cards were first created in England in 1842. D - Dickens considered using three other names for Tiny Tim for his character in "A
 to recognize Christmas as an offi- Small Sam. cial holiday. The date was 1836. In $\quad \mathrm{E}$ - Christmas trees are edible. 1907, Oklahoma became the last The evergreen needles contain vistate to do so. It's a sanctioned na- tamin C; pine nuts and pine cones
tion event folks. You may choose to are also a good source of nutrition

Delaware in miserable conditions Dinner in 1777 was just as bad consisting of fowl cooked in a broth H turnips, cabbage and potatoes. H - An average household will mail out and receive about 28 I- In Pensacola in 1996, Christ mas caroling was actually banned at two malls. It seems shoppers and merchants complained the singers were too loud and took up oo much space. Bah, humbug on
two Bells" was composed in 1857 and

J - The popular song "Jingle K- Santa Claus was first intro-
uced in America by the Pennsyl-
ninia Dutch, who called him Kris Kringle or "Chriskind."
L - Electric Christmas tree
ghts were first used in 1895 by Ralph Morris, an American scient, using electricity instead of andles.
M-Mistletoe, the kiss encourager during the Christmas season, hagic powers by Celtic peoples, who believed it brought good luck and warded off evil spirits.


Julianne Munn OVER EASY
Baby boy blessing to family

0ur family Christmas gift came a bit early this reat-grandson made his ap-great-grandson made his ap of great-granddaughters. And there is no doubt he will be the star of our holiday get
together Dec. 25 . Stacey Joseph D will join his sisters, Anastassia DeMarie and Kristina Leigh, and cousin, Julia Belle around the tree on Christmas
morning. He will be with morning. He will be with nia in spirit.
Baby Stacey's sister, Anastassia, 15, was especially touched this week by the and the miracle of birth. She wrote the following tribute to her new brother. She calls him "The Triple B."
"Baby, burden, blessing. It is a baby. They can be a burden,
but they are a blessing. Just recently, I became aware of the fact that the little man who inhabits my house is ab solutely a blessing from "Every day I wake up, and am given the opportunity to stare into the face of complete innocence. But with every passing hour, I see intellieyes. Those very things I also see shaping his overall look. "No doubt, late at night when he is making the same repetitive loud cry, he seems
to be a burden. Because then, you have to drag yourself out of bed to assess the situation, make sure everything is al right and possibly succeed in calming him down back into a "Then I walk up to cribside (mildly grumpy) and can't help but automatically want to kiss him. Because that little baby has come to recognize growing smile on his face. Babies are too innocent to be bi ased; they love and trust whoever loves them. I love my
little brother so much little brother so much. "The real truth is that many people aren't expecting a
baby, and maybe don't really want a baby. When they find out they are going to have one, the usual feeling of shock
overtakes them Although overtakes them. Although delivered unto them, more often than not, they come to find it was nothing short of an unexpected blessing the miracle who is in the for room to me. I get to watch him grow and help to teach him. At the same time, he is teaching me and giving me things tha We feel so blessed to have our amazing children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. They are all the gifts we need or want.
From our home to yours, we
hope you have the merriest Christmas and a happy and healthy New Year 2012!

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writer for the Citrus County Chronicle. Email her at @etampabay.rr.com


Anastassia is pictured with her baby brother, Stacey Joseph
Daigneau IV.

## Christmas Day brunch food ratings

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## Serve hearty breakfast on Christmas Day

Chronicle
When one thinks of Christ-
mas, thoughts usually drift
toward Santa Claus, pres-
ents, helping your fellow
man and the birth of the
baby Jesus.
But when contemplating
food to serve at Christmas
dinner, most people would
think of a turkey or ham with
all the fixin's of vegetable
casseroles, yams, sweet po-

## CUPCAKE

Here are two very special cupcake recipes from Lynn coker:
CHRISTMAS POMEGRANATE

CUPCAKE
$\square 23 / 4$ cups flour
$\square 3$ teaspoons bakin
powder
$1 / 2$ teaspoon salt

- $3 / 4$ cup shortening
- $12 / 3$ cup sugar
$\square 5$ egg whites
- $11 / 2$ teaspoons
- $11 / 4$ cups milk
-1 cup pomegranate
Stir dry ingredients to-
gether In another bowl gether. In another bowl, beat shortening and sugar
for 2 minutes. Add egg whites and vanilla and beat. Add flour and milk alternately, beating between each addition. Add to egg cup pomegranate seeds. cup pomegranate seeds. using ice cream scoop, into cupcake liners. Bake in $350-$ degree oven for 18 to 20
minutes. minutes. icing.

Cream Cheese Icing:
18 -ounce package
cream cheese

- $1 / 4$ cup butter

2 teaspoons vanilla

- 4 cups powdered
sugar
2 ons milk Beat first 3 ingredients.
Add powdered sugar, 1 cup at Add powdered sugar, 1 cup at
a time. Beat in enough milk to make icing smooth and spreadable. Ice the cooled cupcakes and sprinkle with extra pomegranate seeds. CUPCAKES
- $21 / 2$ cups flour
$-21 / 2$ teaspoons

| torious by one-tenth of a point. The bacon and egg pizza was the slim favorite. <br> Here is the recipe to try in your home. |
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and crumbled - 1 cup frozen shredded $3 / 4$ cup shredded cheddar 4 eggs<br>2 tablespoons milk<br>$\square 1 / 2$ cup grated Parme-<br>Unoll<br>Unroll crescent dough into onto the bottom and $1 / 2$ inch

- 1 cup butter, softened
- $11 / 4$ cups sugar
$\square 3$ eggs
- 2 teaspoons vanilla - $2 / 3$ cup whole milk Box of cook and serve prepared according to package directions. Mix dry ingredients. Beat butter; add sugar and beat for 2 minutes. Add eggs, vanilla. Alternate adding
flour and milk, beating after each addition. Fill cupcake liners $2 / 3$ full. Bake at 350 degrees (preheated) for 20 to 25 minutes. Prepare vanilla pudding cupcakes are baked and cooled, scoop out small center in each cupcake and fill with pudding (a melon
baller will work perfectly)


## Chocolate Icing:

- $1 / 3$ cup butter

2 ounces unsweet-
ened baking chips

- $1 / 2$ cups powdered
sugar
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
$-1 / 3$ cup (more or less)
hot water as needed
to thin icing
Melt butter and chocolate. vanilla until smooth Spread icing over cooled cupcakes.
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## WINES <br> Continued from Page C1

 $\underset{N i c h o l a s ~ l i v e d ~ i n ~ T u r k e y ~}{\text { real }}$ where he was a bishop, in the early 4th century. Christmas trica's official Christmas tree, in King's California, was so designated in 1925 . $\mathbf{P}-$ Per a 2000 Galluppoll, 60 percent poll, 60 percent of Americans thought they would
spend around $\$ 500$ on gifts that year.
Q - To keep children ices, a choir master in-
vented the curved vented the curved candy
cane (originally straight) to depict a shepherd's crook. He passed these out and children were now able to hang them on trees.
$\mathbf{R}-$ Retailers in R - Retailers in the
USA make up to 70 percent of their annual revenue in the month preceding Christmas;
S - "Silent Night" was S- "Silent Night" was
written in 1818 by an Auswritten in 1818 by an Aus-
trian priest. It seems the trian priest. It seems the and he could not think of Christmas without music.
So he wrote the beautiful So he wrote the beautiful
carol (my personal fa carol (my personal fa-
vorite) to be sung by a choir accompanied by guitar music just a few hours before services were to $\underset{\mathrm{T}}{\mathrm{begin}}-$ Americans buy over 37 million Christmas
trees every year. Oregon gins dating back to ancient kept lighted throughout the in the USA, while Nova most Romans, who wished one period to ensure good luck. in the USA, while Nova Sco- another "good health" by ex- The custom dates back to
tia is the world leader.
changing branches of ever- the Druids of Ensland. $\begin{array}{ll}\text { ia is the world leader. } & \text { changing branches of ever- the Druids of England. } \\ \mathrm{U} & \text { In the Ukraine, in } \\ \text { greens. It later became a } \\ Z\end{array}$ what was once the Soviet custom to bend the branches lands, home to the wellUnion, special bread is into a ring hung on a door. known Zuyder-Zee, children placed in the center of the $\mathbf{X}$ - The abbreviation of leave out their shoes before table at Christmas. It is Xmas for Christmas is not a going to bed, hoping to find shaped in the form of a ring shortcut or irreligious. The them filled with candy in
with three layers to symbol- first letter of the word Christ the morning What's that with three layers to symbol- first letter of the word Christ the morning. What's that
in Greek is chi, which is you say? Zuyder Zee is V - In England during identical to our X. Xmas stretching it. OK. the Victorian period, was originally an ecclesias- How about joining me in a urkeys were walked to mar- tical abbreviation used in lovely glass of good Califorket wearing little shoes to tables and charts. nia Zinfandel to go with the rotect their feet from the Y-During the ancient Christmas dinner? W -A wreath is a modern mas, the big log burned was Drink wine. Love one anChristmas custom with ori- called the "Yule Log." It was other.

## Our Home Citrus 2012

Find it in the Chronicle on January $28^{\text {th }}$
Ad deadline is January $10^{\text {th }}$


Back by popular demand our comprehensive directory that features those hard to find, important phone numbers in Citrus County; friendly guides and pertinent information on information on services, business,
organizations, local government recreation and more A "Must" for the office and home.

News notes
Wine fundraiser to benefit United Way The United Way Wine Tasting \& Celebrity Somme-
lier fundraising party will be lier fundraising party will be
from 6 to 9 pm Wednesta Dec. 28, at The Wine Shop II in Crystal River.
Cover charge of $\$ 20$ includes wine tasting from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Wine and beer will be available by the glass or
bottle from 7300 o 9 . bottie rom 7.30 to 9 .m.m. clude Andy Houston Jimmie T. Smith, Ron Drinkhouse and Gery Mulligan. Appetizers will be served and music will be provided by acoustic guitarist Rick DePirro. to RSVP, call Liz Yerian at to RSVP, call Lii
$352-794-3834$.

Genealogists
gather Jan. 10
The Citrus County Ge-
nealogical Society (CCGS) nealogical Society (CCGS)
will meet at 10 a.m. Tuesday, will meet at 10 a.m. Tuessay
Jan. 10 at the Church of Jan. 10, at the Church Saints, 3474 W. Southern St. Lecanto
Guest speaker will be Peter Summers, president of
the Pinellas
Count the Pinellas County Genealogical Society. His topic
will be be Geting the Most Out of the National Archives of the National Archives
Website."
He will talk abour the parts of the website that are of the greatest value to genealogists. Although the website (www.archives.gov) is very large and sometimes
dififuult to use, it does provide free access to numerous records via the Access to Archival Databasases (AAD) link on the Research Our Records page. Guests are welcome to at-
tend CCGS meetings For intend CCCGS meetings. For in
formation, call Mary Ann formation, call Mary Ann
Machonkin at $352-382-5515$
Meet others, make friends with club Citrus Newcomers Club provides an opportunity for women of Citrus County to have fun while making
friends. All women in Citrus County, new or longtime residents, are welcome. In addition to monthly luncheons at various country clubs throughout Citrus County, the club has many activities planned. Check out
the activities and special interest groups on the website at www.citrusnewcomers.org The club's first luncheon of the new year will be Jan. 19 at Plantation Golf and Coun try Club. Speaker Dianne Dorman is a former Playboy "Playboys, Celebrities and Me." It offers a firsthand account of her life in the 1970 with humor and insight. RSVP before Jan. 12. Call Carolyn Moss at 352-7466445 or Sharon
$352-270-3908$.

Animal Shelter ADOPTABLES

Tex


Tex is a handsome youn black-mouth cur mix. He's very sweet and friendly perfect family pet. He would do best as a family play in, or someone who is able to exercise him. Tex is at Citrus County Animal Shelter, 4030 S. Airport
Road, Inverness, behind Road, inverness, behind
the fairgrounds. View all adoptable pets at www. citruscritters.com. Call 352-746-8400.

## Be a good citizen

Next class for community begins Jan. 10
Special to the Cbronicle Nature Coast EMS will offer its next Jan. 10, to Tuesday, Feb. 28. The Nature Coast EMS Citizen's Academy is a hands-on opportunity for community members to see and learn what Nado every day.
Graduates will learn skills they can


Shown with commissioners after graduation from the 2011 Citrus County Citizen's Academy are: Robert Allen, James $\begin{gathered}\text { Specil the Chonicle }\end{gathered}$ Barrows, Debbie Canitia, Renee Christopher-McPheeters, John Clarke, Duane Fraser, Denise Gallagher, Barbara Harmon,
Donald Harmon, Skip Haveyey Robert Hnat Susan Hat Donald Harmon, Skip Harvey, Robert Hnat, Susan Hnat, Mary Ann Lynn, Rebecca Martin, Beverly Overa, John Reeves, Marie
Reeves, Barbara Rudzinski-Skellwies, Kay Russell, Theodora Rusnak, Craig Simpson, Donna Simpson and Suzanne Webb. Not pictured are: Ruth Bowen, Robert Butterfield, Wendy Hall, Curtis James, Donald Moran, Joan Reinhart, John Schempf, Rebecca Martin and Susan Wright.
Citrus County Citizens Academy graduates 32
Special to the Chronicle county departments and di- the Citrus County Citizens county commission adminRecently, 32 Citrus County visions, with presentations Academy scheduled to istration offices in the Recently, 32 Citrus County given by department direc- begin March 15 has been Lecanto Government Build-
citizens graduated from the tors and county staff. The filled; however, citizens are ing or Inverness Courthouse 2011 Citrus County Citizen's class included field trips to encouraged to submit their (second floor commission Academy. The 10 -session the Citrus County Meadowacademy began in Septem- crest Water Reclamation ber and ended Dec. 6 with a graduation at the Board of
County
Commissioners County Commissioners mosassa Springs Wildlife meeting.
Residents were informed Sate Park, Homosassa Liwith an in-depth look at The 2012 more.

Squeezing in some merry music


Ocala Accordion Club met Nov. 30 at the Cherrywood Clubhouse in Ocala. Participating were members of the Central Florida Accordion Club, accordionists from Citrus County and residents of the private community of Cherrywood, who came to enjoy the music and have a good time. The accordion club meets once a month at the Cherrywood Clubhouse. For information and directions, call Dick Richards at 352-854-6236

## Have some fun in new year with Senior Friends

Special to the Chronicle
$\qquad$ a.m. Monday, Jan. 9, at Inverness Golf Country Club, 1530 Country Club Drive. Registration will begin at 11 a.m.; lunch follows at $11: 30 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. On the menu are beef stroganoff over noodles, or
chicken cacciatore over rice. A program will follow. Sign up by Jan. 4. Activities for January include a Jan. 18 trip to Dade City to the Pioneer

Florida Museum. The bus will leave at 8 nellon at 11:30 a.m. for lunch at Abigail's a.m. from the Winn-Dixie parking lot at Café \& Coffee Shop, 20607 W. Pennsyl-
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$491)$, Beverly Hills. It will leave from the Sign up by Jan. 23 . Walmart Plaza at $8: 30$ a.m. To take the bus, at least 30 people must sign up. The club will tour the Pioneer Florida Museum and Village first at 10
a.m. After the tour, lunch will be at Kafe a.m. After the tour, lunch will be at Kafe
Kokopoelli. The meal will be on your Kokopo On Jan. 27, the club will trek to Dun- lin Reservations must be made for activities by signing the signup sheet, or calling Myrna Hocking at 352-860-0819, Teddie Holler at 352-746-6518, Astrid Grant at 352-341-0346, or Jackie some events have registration deadlines.

All persons in the photo must be identified,
with full names, from

- For more information or to talk to a Chronicle
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News notes
Rotary collects for special auction
Rotary Club of Inverness will have an online and live television auction fundraising benefiting the Rotary Club of Inverness Charitable Foundation.
This auction is a major fundraiser for scholarships which last year provided $\$ 7,000$ for Citrus High School Institute students. The club needs donations of items, a tax-deductible contribution, to help the founation continue to help make life better
Donor companies will also Donor companies will also
benefit with exposure of the company's name to those who attend and watch the event.
Businesses that donate nems for the auction will also per, online and in email marketing, as well as during the televised auction itself. For more information or to make a donation, call Ron Lundberg at 352-746-9502, or email him at rijundber

## Boys \& Girls Clubs

 seek mentorsBoys \& Girls Clubs of Citrus County Central Ridge and
Robert Halleen clubs seek mentors to work with their nembers.
The two clubs have received federal grants through
Boys \& Girls Clubs of ica, allowing mentors to come into the clubs to serve as tutors and special friends of members. All mentors will undergo complete background security Cost of background check will be covered in most cases through grant funding by the Boys \& Girls Clubs of Citrus County. Mentors may be assigned more than one child. A training session will All mentoring at the club sites. Those who are interested may call Amy Stonestreet at 52-270-8841 or Lane Vick at 52-621-9225

## Nordic sons

 convene Jan. 13 SPRING HILL - Sons of Norway, Sun Viking Lodge No. 607 will meet at $6: 30$ p.m Friday, Jan. 13, at Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 6193 Spring Hill Drive, Spring Hill. Come join us for our installation of officers. We will haveopen-face sandwiches, coffee and cake. The public is welcome.
Sons of Norway is an international fraternal society open to persons of Scandinavian background, affiliation by marriage or anyone int
ested in Nordic culture. For more information, call Elsie at 352-666-2220 or
Nellie at $727-846-1584$.

## Thinkers to meet

 at wildlife parkNew Age Thinkers will meet at 2 p.m. Saturday Jan. 14, in the Florida room at the
Ellie Schiller Homosassa Springs Wildlife State Park on Springs
U.S. 19.
Suzasne speaker wili of "The Priest and the Medium." She will discuss her unexpected journey from a the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, to a medium and writer of spiritually inspired books. Giesemann will explain some of the how-to's of mediumship and share ways to
uncover your own spiritual gifts. New attendees are welcome.
For more information, email miss-donna@tampabay. rr.com or call Donna at 352 628-3253.


Phillip Alder David Viscott, a psychiatrist and
author who died in 1996, said: "To author who died in 1996, said: "To ing. To succeed takes time and prolonged effort in the face of
unfriendly odds. To think it will be any other way, no matter what you do, is to invite yourself to be hurt trying again."
I wonder if he was also a bridge player. In today's deal, declarer
seems doomed to defeat after the defenders start well. However, if South spends some time looking for a line that will work, he will sucodds.
South is in four spades. West
leads the diamond queen. East overtakes with his king, cashes the ace, and shifts to the heart jack


North made a game-invitational limit raise. South went for the vul nerable game, hoping for the best nerable game, hoping for the best.
If East held the heart king, he would not have captured both dia mond tricks; he would have over low diamond at trick two for a heart shift through dummy's ace. S there is no point in South's playing his queen. However, although it looks as if heart, two diamonds and one club he has one chance: West has fewer than three clubs.
South should take trick three with dummy's heart ace, draw
trumps, cash his top clubs, and trumps, cash his top clubs, and
trump his last diamond before cast ing adrift with a heart. Here, West takes that trick but must concede a ruff-and-sluff. Declarer ruffs in the dummy and sluffs his remainin



Dgirlfriend and I started Would it be better to wait until dating, but this isn't what you are finished with wait until
you would call a normal relationship. She
and I live about 500 hundred miles apart, and only met in July on a trip to Florida. We connected four
years ago in an online chat room of a popular animated web series
and sent messages and sent messages
back and forth. Then back and forth. The
she found me on Faceshe found few months
book. A
later, she called, and we texted back and forth and then graduated to instant messaging and
then web then web cam chats. We fell in love, even though we knew the
risks and difficulties risks and difficulties of hav. long-distance relationship.
Recently, I have been pondering the feasibility of our relationship. I dont want to break up. I want to spend more time with
her. But I'm a 20 -something with a modest-paying regular job and a part-time weekend job, and I also take classes at a local community college. I find it difficult find the time to visit her. Even if she relocated, she would be mov-
ing away from her friends and ing away from her friends and
family. Is there any hope for us? family. Is there an

- Madly in Love
-Madly in Love quires some difficult choices. You are still young. You haven't spent much time together, and being with someone in close proximity day after day can change how you
feel. Every relationship is a leap of faith. Can she get a job in your and don't speak again unless she
specifically asks you to "go on." If she has to do it often enough, it
might sink in. Dear Annie: "Worried Dad in Dear Annie: "Worried Dad in
Gary, Ind." feared for his daughGary, who was in an abusive relationship. Two years ago, my daughter was murdered by her abusive husband at the young age of 26 . They had been separated
for six months, and two days befor six months, and two days befor a divorce.
My daughter was in this abu-
sive relationship for eight years. sive relationship for eight years. mestic Violence Service Center, but she never did. She was over the age of 18, but in hindsight, I wish I had forcibly driven her to
the center myself. the center myself. All women in abusive relationships need to get help ASAP before they are murdered. We need to have mandatory education in our high schools about abusive dating, as well as bullying. -
Mournful Dad in Wilkes Barre, Penn
Dear Dad: We send our heartDear Dad: We send our heart-
felt condolences and hope your felt condolences and hope your
letter will encourage others to get out of these abusive relationships


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and entertainment information.

## Strolling down Christmas memory lane

 Our church district has a lot of little children, so there are like that. More than 100 children are under the age of 16 in our The potluck was held in the basement of the home where the
services were. We set up the meal buffet-style. The men and boys filed through on one end
and the girls and women on the other. The two serving lines
helped things move faster Jacob, Emma and family ca to our house after the potluck and we played games. The girls penuts in phecorn and we had mily tradition for us to have he peanuts in shells around Christmastime. My grandparents always had peanuts in shells and
an orange in our bag of candy each Christmas.
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$$ road from us. So my aunts, un cles and cousins gathered at our house early in the morning. We

then all went over to grandpa's then all went over to grandpa's
together. It was still dark when together. It was still dark when we got there early in the morn-
ing. Everyone gathered around
their door and we sang the traditheir door and we sang the tradi-
tional New Year's song Grandpa tional New Year's song. Grandpa
and Grandma came to the door and Grandma came to the door
and while everyone kept singing and while everyone kept singing Their house was attached to Uncle Henry and Aunt Barbara's house, which was also used for
that day. Grandpa and Grandma sat on
their rockers while all of their rockers while all of us
grandchildren lined up to take our turns to wish them a happy
New Year. We were 88 grandchilNew Year. We were 88 grandchil-

NO AMISH COLUMN NEXT WEEK

- Lovina Eicher is taking next
week off from writing the column. She will, however, submit a recipe for readers to
young girl, so it took awhile fo veryone to greet them.
The years so so fast The years go so fast. Now my aunts and uncles have passe away. Four out of the eight o mother's siblings have passed way.
It was nice to receive a letter who lives in Ohio. I was named after her. I also happened to run Lovina's daughters, in town last week. We reminisced about growing up and all the good nice to see them all again. We are still planning to have oe's family here for Christmas
My sister Leah and her hus band Paul will wait until next year to have our annual Christmas gathering. The Christmas eason is filled with so many
to find a day which suits every-
body. Leah and Paul last had the body. Leah and Paul last had the
Christmas gathering in 2004. It is hard to believe seven years have passed already.
We all take turns holding the
annual gathering annual gathering. There are eight siblings, but sister Susan
and Verena take their turns together since they are both single. The family has grown in the past seven years. None of my ried seven years ago. Now eight of them are married and my parents have 17 greatOndchildren.
On Thursday, Dec. 22, my husday. That will be his last day of work this year. They will have two weeks off from the factory
and go back to work Jan. 9 . Children will be home from chool the same days Joe will.
Kevin, 6 , reminded me today we only have to sleep one more time before their Christmas school program. Joseph, 9, reminded us here are only six days until We wish
blessed Christmas. May you enjoy the holidays with friends
and loved ones. and loved ones.
Here is a different snack for

FRUITY
POPCORN 6 quarts plain popped
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(about 36)
(aps large marshmallows
13 tablespoons butter
3 tablespoons fruit-flavored
gelatin Place popcorn in a large ver low heat, cook marshmal ows, butter and gelatin until smoothly blended. Remove mallow mixture ourer marshcorn and mix well. Form the popcorn mixture into 3 -inch lightly buttered cookie sheets. lightly buttered
Makes 2 dozen.

Lovina Eicher and her hus-
band, Joe, are raising eight band, Joe, are raising eight
children on their rural Michichildren on their rural Michigan homestead. Lovina inher
ited the Amish Cook column from her mother, Elizabeth Coblentz. For information about the Amish Cook, or to ask a question, write The Amish
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    The theme for the White House Christmas 2011 is Shine, Give, Share - celebrating the countless ways we can lift up those around us, put our
    best self forward in the spirit of the best self forward in the spirit of the
    season, spend time with friends and season, spend time with friends and
    family, celebrate the joy of giving to others, and share our blessings with
    all. This year's décor also includes This year's décor also includes handmade decorations crafted from
    simple materials - paper, felt, and simple materials - paper, elt, and
    even recycled cans. Here is a partial list of White House decorations: $\square$ East Landing - On the Eas Landing, the Gold Star Families Tree
    pays tribute to those who gave their pays tribute to those who gave their
    lives in service to our Nation and to the families who continue to carry their proud legacy forward. Photos of these fallen heroes and messages See DECORATE/Page A5

[^1]:    King's Bay dispute The dispute over King's Bay is about the opposition of f federal agency seizing a water way that
    belonss to the State of Florida The rule is like an octopus, with its long arms affecting everything. It will affect homeowner and their property values, whether you live on the waterfront or not. It will affect businesses; many will be forced to
    close because this rule will nega tively affect tourism. It will affect families coming here for recreation; if you can't anchor your boat, then you car't let your kids jump in for a swim. It will affect crabbers and fishermen; if you
    have to use special mooring lines and anchors, which are not available, then you can't stop and are forced to go elsewhere. It will affect business that service docks and boats, as well as hotels and gas stations. In these tough eco nomic times, do we want to make it so difficult for people to visit because of the threat of massive
    fines if any rule is violated? Thi fines if any rule is violated? Th
    rule is bad, plain and simple. rule is bad, plain and simple.
    And if it passes and you wake to realize you don't like it, it will take an act of Congress to change it - no kidding!
    Proponents for the rule claim
    
    tees. However, the 1991 Citrus County Manatee Plan, the first of its kind in Florida, has been hugely successful. With the goal of a 90 percent adult survival rate, the result is 94 percent to 96 percent adult survival, and 4 percent
    growth per year to now, some 560 happy manatees enjoying our bay when there were only some 38 in the late 1960s. We are the good
    the manatees - some 10 percent
    of Florida's population because of of Florida's population because of
    us. If the federal government is alus. If to federal government is alwill be turning complete control over to bureaucrats in Washington and Jacksonville, giving up our ability to manage wh
    our own backyards.
    Visit www.savecrystalriver
    com for more information.
    Silvia Grillo

    ## Watch Progress

    Our elected officials and the public need to watch this care fully as the Progress Energyplant is obsolete by today's stan dards and has been plagued with problems.
    A failure at this plant would have catastrophic effects. Wouldn't the money Progress Energy
    intends to spend be better used intends to spend be better used replace this plant? Why put our immediate area at great risk to repair a faulty plant that would not begin to provide power right away anyway?
    We don't need the aftermath facility in our region.

