

Ambushed: Gators routed by Michigan /B1

MONDAY

TODAY & next morning



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56

Partly sunny, with a 30 percent chance of rain.

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QUESTION OF THE WEEK



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Week.

Where do you
take your
out-of-town
guests to give
them the
Citrus County
experience?

Diane Fuller
Wild Bills for an
airboat ride, Cooter
Pond to look for gators and
Crystal River to look for
manatees! My family from up
north loves it! Oh, and Monkey
Island!

John Pepe
County Road 48 in
Floral City to look at
the trees then to the Shamrock
for wings or a hamburger
topped off with strawberry
shortcake at Ferris Groves.

Sandy Valente
Wildlife Park and then
Grumpy Gators!

Steve Dobbyn
Weather permitting,
an airboat ride or a
manatee tour out of
Homosassa or both.

SO YOU KNOW

Entertainment news moving

The Chronicle's entertainment page will move to Page A4 beginning Tuesday, April 2. Look there for horoscopes, Today in History and entertainment news.

Lottery results will continue to publish in the Sports section.

POLL

ONLINE POLL: Your choice?

Do you agree local tourism promoters should rebrand the county as something other than "Citrus County"?

A. Yes. Capitalize on Crystal River-Inverness-Homosassa.

B. No. "Citrus County" is the only all-encompassing moniker.

C. Yes. Capitalize either on The Seven Rivers Region or the Withlacoochee Region.

D. Sure, market it as the Istachatta-Withlapopka-Chassahowitzka Triad. That'll draw tourists!

To vote, visit [www.chronicleonline.com](#). Click on the word "Opinion" in the menu to see the poll.

Results will appear next Monday. Find last week's online poll results./Page A4

Woman shot, killed

Detectives seek Bradenton man in overnight shooting

CHRIS VAN ORMER
Staff writer

FLORAL CITY — A woman was shot and killed during the early hours of Easter Sunday, according to

the Citrus County Sheriff's Office, and detectives are looking for a Bradenton man as a person of interest.

Communications dispatchers received a call at 3:49 a.m. in reference to a shoot-

ing that occurred at 10495 E. Rabbit Lane in Floral City, it was reported by Heather Yates, CCSO public information officer.

The woman killed was identified as Deseray Lynn Bowles, 24, of Inverness.

Deputies responded to Sleepy Hollow, a restaurant on nearby East Gobbler Drive, where witnesses had

taken Bowles. The victim was transported to Citrus Memorial hospital, where she died from her injuries.

CCSO detectives are looking for 29-year-old Gregory Scott Holub, of 5236 26th St. W., Bradenton, in connection with the shooting that resulted in Bowles' death.

Holub was last seen on foot

See SHOOTING/Page A4



Gregory Holub
Bradenton man sought.

Diligent detecting



MATTHEW BECK/Chronicle

Citrus County Sheriff's Deputy Brian Coleman explains Thursday how thieves were recently able to steal a vehicle and belongings from this Homosassa business.

Grainy video and a lot of leg work helps crack theft case

A.B. SIDIBE
Staff writer

It is a case of many tentacles and recesses. It also is a case of dogged police work and the tale of a grainy video chronicling the activities of three alleged burglars in the still of a mid-December night at a local concrete business.

Gardner's Concrete is set back a little ways off West Homosassa Trail with a small sign by the side

of the road with the business's name on it.

Around the back is a fenced-in area that leads to the back and side of the office building where Wes Gardner kept tools of the trade — generators, expensive saws with enough mettle to cut through concrete, and drills and bits and power washers. He also parked his trucks there.

However, the trio of burglars wearing gloves the night of Dec. 10 were unaware of several small

cameras recording their moves.

Gardner said the security system captured the burglars cutting through the fence and loading a bunch of his equipment on one of his trucks.

They damaged the gate and drove off.

The stolen truck was found torched a few miles away. Citrus County Sheriff's Office investigators were able to connect the

See DILIGENT/Page A5

Park folk get bill

Dean delivers on fair rent solution

CHRIS VAN ORMER
Staff writer

A legislator has kept his promise to some county residents and introduced a bill designed to help them sell their manufactured homes.

"Everybody, including the legislators, the manufacturers and the homeowners (are) facing the same problem," said Edward Green, president of the Citrus County Citizens Coalition, a manufactured homes residents' association. "Senate Bill 1168 that Sen. (Charlie) Dean has proposed offers a solution. It's a win-win-win for everyone."

At a town hall meeting in October in the Walden Woods club house, Dean, R-Inverness, said he would introduce a bill to regulate the rates and frequency of lot rent increases in manufactured home parks throughout Florida.

More than 1,000 people from across the state had signed a petition asking for "the creation of legislation designed to control, govern and regulate proposed market rent upon the resale of a leased lot rental property." Dean received the petition and heard the issue from manufactured home residents from Citrus and neighboring counties.



Charlie Dean
state senator proposed bill.

Lecanto Relay for Life gears up

Crystal River relay begins Friday

ERYN WORTHINGTON
Staff writer

LECANTO — Citrus County has supported the fight against cancer by raising thousands of dollars yearly during the Relay for Life events in Crystal River, Inverness and Lecanto.

Determined to amplify their revenue and attendance, Lecanto Relay for Life organizers are eager for the county to see the event's anti-cancer-style "decades" theme.

"I invite everyone to come out to Lecanto and give it a shot to see what it is all about," said Lecanto

RELAY SCHEDULE

- 6 p.m. April 5, Crystal River Relay for Life at Crystal River High School.
- 6 p.m. April 12, Lecanto Relay for Life at Lecanto High School.
- 6 p.m. April 19, Inverness Relay for Life at Citrus High School.

Relay for Life operation coordinator Holli Herndon. "Lecanto has a different culture there because it is a mix of the whole county. There are a lot of people coming that are adding their own style and flair."

American Cancer Society's Relay for Life at Lecanto High

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ERYN WORTHINGTON/Chronicle
Holli Herndon, operation coordinator for the Lecanto Relay for Life, handles the behind-the-scenes efforts for the upcoming event.

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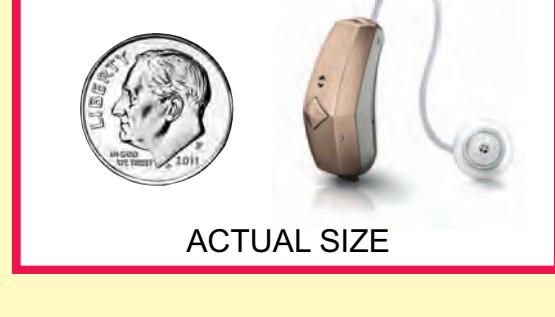
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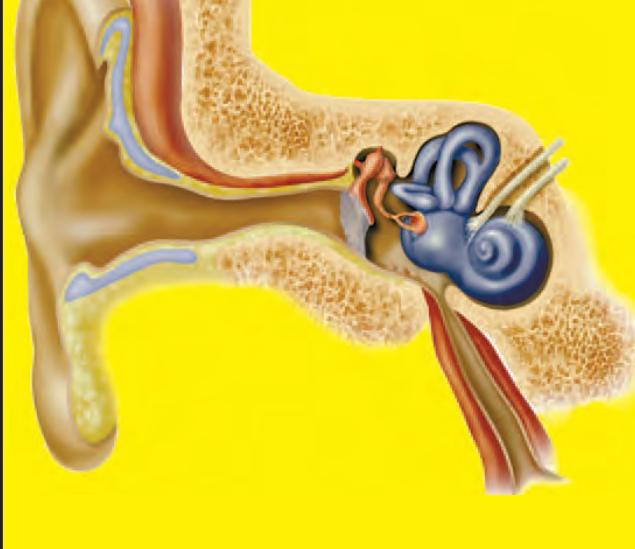
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Around the STATE

Citrus County

Meadowcrest project to impact traffic

This week, traffic will be slow through the intersection of Meadowcrest Boulevard and State Road 44 near Crystal River as workers install poles for a new traffic signal.

There will be temporary lane closures and traffic shifts through the work area starting on Tuesday through Wednesday.

Workers will be directing traffic in the area during these two days of pole installation. The new traffic signal is anticipated to be fully operational by the end of the first week of May.

Donations of pet food sought

Citrus County Animal Services is asking for the public's help in meeting the needs of financially challenged citizens who own pets. The goal is to help those residents feed their pets.

Animal Services is asking citizens to deliver pet food donations to their local food bank or to the Animal Services shelter in Inverness to help those residents keep their animals rather than surrender them to the shelter because they don't have the money to feed them.

Animal Services staff said dog food is in especially short supply. For information on how to help, call 352-746-8400. Monetary donations may be mailed to Citrus County Animal Services, 4030 S. Airport Road, Inverness, FL 34450. The shelter is at the end of Airport Road, off U.S. 41 between the Inverness Airport and the county auditorium/fairgrounds, just south of Inverness.

Democrats plan annual dinner

From 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday, April 27, the Citrus County Democratic Executive Committee will host the annual FDR/JFK Fundraising Dinner in the Hampton Room at the Citrus Hills Country Club. Entertainment is by Steve Robinson. Tickets are \$40. Contact 352-726-3898 or palex3099@aol.com for tickets or information about the event.

Vets case manager available

The Citrus County Veterans Services Department has announced a case manager will be available during the week to assist veterans to apply for benefits and provide information for other veterans' benefits.

■ First Wednesday monthly: Lakes Regional Library, 1511 Druid Road, Inverness.

■ Second Wednesday monthly: Homosassa Library, 4100 S. Grandmarch Ave., Homosassa

■ Third Wednesday monthly: Coastal Regional Library, 8619 W. Crystal St., Crystal River.

Hours are 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. To make an appointment, call 352-527-5915.

Miami

Four-year-old girl shot dead in car

A 4-year-old girl was fatally shot while she sat in a car outside her grandfather's Miami home, and now detectives are trying to determine if another child pulled the trigger, police said Sunday.

Rahquel Carr was shot in the upper body with a handgun believed to have been fired from inside the vehicle, Miami-Dade Police Detective Roy Rutland said. The owner of the weapon and the car was not present.

At least two other children were in the vehicle at the time, all believed to have been younger than 10, Rutland said.

—From staff and wire reports

PDC looks at cottage, frontage, abandoned land

CHRIS VAN ORMER
Staff writer

Four applications will go before the planning panel on Thursday, including requests to build a guest cottage, to amend a subdivision's recreation site, to help a business impacted by roadwork and to improve a mobile home park.

■ Brian Kowalski of Custom Family Homes for David Huffman and Ursula Schwutte will make a conditional-use request to the Citrus County Planning and Development Commission (PDC) to con-

vert a 900-square-foot detached garage into a 1,260-square-foot guest cottage that is exceeding the 750-square-foot maximum at 16219 E. River Road, Inglis.

As the cottage would not adversely affect public interest and is generally compatible with adjacent properties, staff recommends approval on condition that the guest cottage shall not be sold separately.

■ Timothy C. Pitts for Crystal Glen Properties Inc. has asked that a tract of land dedicated to the Crystal Club be vacated because the Crystal Club

■ **WHAT:** Citrus County Planning and Development Commission meeting.

■ **WHEN:** 9 a.m. Thursday.

■ **WHERE:** Room 166, Lecanto Government Building, 3600 W. Sovereign Path, Lecanto.

■ **CALL:** 352-527-5239.

■ **AGENDA:** <http://www.bocc.citrus.fl.us/commissioners/advboards/pdc/pdc.htm>.

was dissolved three years ago.

Staff recommends approval as the request has been determined as consistent with the comprehensive plan. The action would allow other development on the property.

■ DPD for Citrus Equip-

ment and Victor Nadal has requested a land-use change regarding two lots of about 1.13 acres on West Rich Street in Crystal River. Two adjacent lots lost some frontage because of a project to widen County Road 486.

The land-use change is

recommended for approval, as it is consistent with the comprehensive plan and serves as a cure to road project issues.

■ Denise A. Dymond Lyn for Kathryn Trabert and Marilyn Ann Lee has requested land-use changes for about 3.48 acres in Chassahowitzka known as Golden Knight Mobile Home Park for improvements to the park: open space, recreation and placement of R.V. pads. Staff recommends approval with conditions.

Contact Chronicle reporter Chris Van Ormer at 352-564-2916 or cvanormer@chronicleonline.com.



Crystal River resident Ralph Shafer, center, pictured with Tom Accardo and Glenn Sheffield, was part of the chorus for a performance of "A Masked Ball" at the Straz Center for the Performing Arts in Tampa.

Six nights at the opera

Retiree gets chance to perform in two shows at Straz Center

NANCY KENNEDY
Staff writer

CRYSTAL RIVER T he first time Ralph Shafer went to an opera, he cried.

"It's the beauty of the music," he said. "It's in a foreign language, but you get the message because of the emotion. I got tears in my eyes and thought, 'I want to do this!'"

Earlier this year, the tenor baritone got the opportunity, performing as part of the chorus in two operas, "A Masked Ball" and "La Bohème."

Before that, despite studying music in college, Shafer's varied career never allowed him the time to pursue his love of singing.

He worked at a number of social services and teaching jobs that were mostly at night, which meant he wasn't available to attend rehearsals.

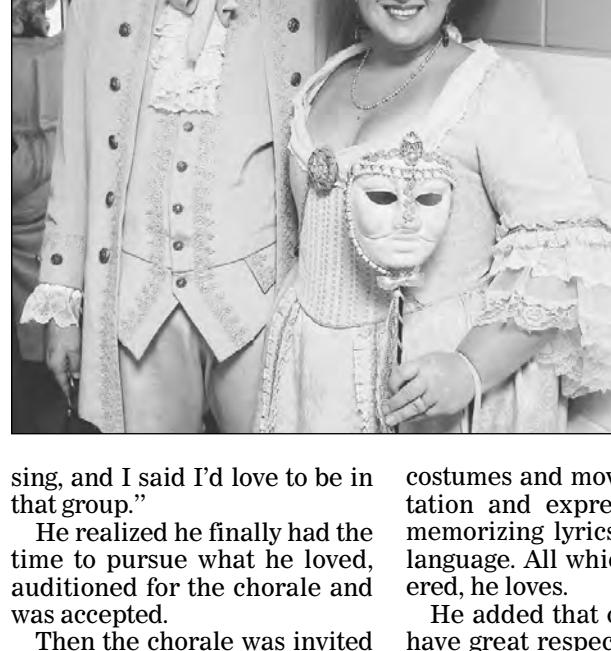
By the time he retired and moved to Citrus County in 2005, he was ready to pursue his passion with all he had.

"They say when you retire you should do that thing you always wanted to do but couldn't," he said. "For me, that's singing."

Currently, Shafer sings with Master Chorale of Tampa Bay, a group of about 170 voices.

It was as part of this group that he wound up on an opera stage.

"I was a season ticketholder to the Florida Orchestra, which performs at the Straz, the Mahaffey in St. Pete and Ruth Eckerd Hall in Clearwater, and the Master Chorale performs with them at least twice a year," he said. "So, I'd go and hear them



Ralph Shafer of Crystal River and Suzanne McCormick, members of the Master Chorale of Tampa Bay, wait to go on stage for the opera "A Masked Ball" at the Straz Center for Performing Arts in Tampa.

Special to the Chronicle

sing, and I said I'd love to be in that group."

He realized he finally had the time to pursue what he loved, auditioned for the chorale and was accepted.

Then the chorale was invited to perform with the Cleveland Orchestra in Miami.

"That was my first performance with the Tampa Bay (chorale), and I have to tell you that it was something special," he said. "At the last note of the piece, the conductor put his hands down and the audience jumped up and roared to a standing ovation."

After that, the chorale was invited to perform with the opera company. The rest, as they say, is history.

Shafer said opera goes beyond singing choral music because it involves acting out the part as well as singing the music. It's

costumes and movement, affection and expression — and memorizing lyrics in a foreign language. All which, he discovered, he loves.

He added that opera soloists have great respect for the chorus, which was a pleasant surprise. He experienced a genuine camaraderie among the cast. He said he'd love to do more.

"I love to sing and I love to make music, and to make music with people who have a very high level of perfection and dedication," he said. "When you're with that kind of group, it's really inspiring and uplifting. I'm a better singer because I'm singing with people who are better than I am."

Contact Chronicle reporter Nancy Kennedy at 352-564-2927 or nkennedy@chronicleonline.com.

Glenn: Nuclear power in Florida's future

PAT FAHERTY
Staff writer

Addressing a state House subcommittee last week, Progress Energy Florida President Alex Glenn emphasized the role of nuclear power in Florida's energy mix.

He and other speakers addressed advanced nuclear cost recovery, Florida's dependence on natural gas and the status of the proposed Levy County nuclear plant.

"Florida is about 61 percent on natural gas and we will be the third most natural-gas-dependent state by 2020," he said. "This is the most volatile fuel source (cost-wise) we have."

He noted gas prices are at an all-time low right now, but that Progress/Duke Energy are planning for growth and are concerned with the reliability and cost-effectiveness of natural gas, as well as its role in energy security and its impact on the environment.

He said prices on solar have come down, but there are still issues.

"A game-changer would be solar storage; it's one option we are looking at," he said. "But generally, Florida is not a great solar state, and wind energy is basically nonexistent in Florida."

"Peninsular Florida is essentially an island with two big transmission lines and two natural gas lines — leaving nuclear as one of the options."

Glenn said they expect full approval of the Levy plant by December 2014.

"We're taking steps to maintain nuclear for the long-term of the state," he said. "We need an 'all-of-the-above' approach."

He denied advanced cost recovery equated to giving utilities a blank check.

Steven Scroggs of Florida Power and Light said advanced cost recovery only paid about 10 percent of a project's cost, but enabled utilities to borrow the necessary money to build plants.

The Levy project got a boost last week when the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board rejected a challenge by two environmental groups to the plant's final environmental impact statement.

On March 1, Progress Energy Florida filed petitions with the Public Service Commission to recover approximately \$65 million for the Levy plant and \$18.4 million for costs associated with the now-defunct Crystal River area nuclear plant. Those were the adjusted costs incurred in 2012 to be considered for recovery by advanced-cost refunding through a charge on customer electric bills.

TBARTA hosts phone forum to talk transportation

CHRIS VAN ORMER
Staff writer

Citrus County residents may call the regional transportation group soon to talk about updates to its master plan.

During a 10-day period beginning this week, TBARTA

will host five telephone town hall meetings to discuss the region's transportation future, the Regional Transportation Master Plan and its priority projects.

TBARTA wants to engage

residents across its seven-county region to call in from home, office or wherever is most convenient.

Citrus County residents

Participants will be able to review key materials and documents online while listening to the call.

Anyone who wishes to

participate in a town hall meeting may call a toll-free number that will be posted at www.tbarta.com next week.

SHOOTING

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near the intersection of East Pintail Drive and East Rabbit Lane in Floral City. He was wearing a white shirt with blue jeans and may be wearing a brown hooded sweatshirt. He is 6 feet tall, approximately 180 pounds with brown hair

and blue eyes.

Holub is believed to be armed and dangerous. Anyone who sees Holub is advised not to approach him, but to call 911 immediately.

To be eligible for a cash reward, contact CrimeStoppers of Citrus County by calling 888-ANY-TIPS, texting the word CITRUS, plus your tip, to 274637 (CRIMES) or visit crimestopperscitrus.com.

BILL

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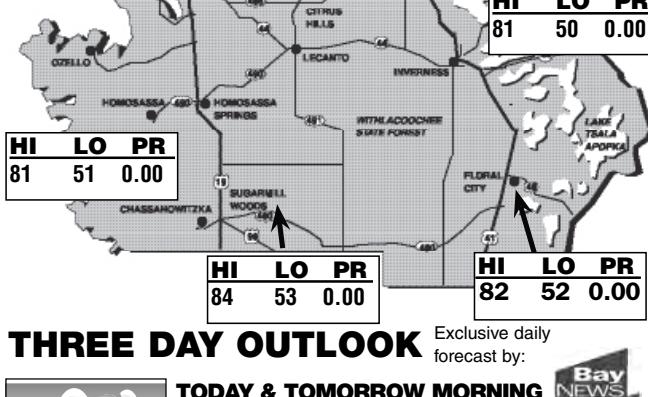
Residents described how they felt trapped with the homes they own because the owner of the land beneath their homes would raise the rent to a new tenant, which scared off homebuyers. They asked Dean for legislation linking lot rent increases to the Consumer Price Index to stabilize a potential owner's expectation of future rent expenses.

"It allows people that have a need to leave — death, illness or be closer to family and friends — it allows for that to happen, though it still allows for an increase to the park owners as far as an increase in rent," Green said. "It may be a little bit restricted; it may be a little bit regulated. But it's fair and reasonable. And it's also a giant win-win-win for the state of Florida and all of the entrepreneur businesspeople for the trickle-down effect of allowing all the changes to happen."

Some manufactured-home owners have faced the prospect of walking away from a home that has no buyer, leaving it to the owners of the park, because a lot rent increase stops sales.

"The main intent of the bill is to allow people to sell their homes and not have to involuntarily give them away," Green said.

YESTERDAY'S WEATHER



THREE DAY OUTLOOK

Exclusive daily forecast by:



TODAY & TOMORROW MORNING
High: 81 Low: 56
Partly sunny; 30% chance of showers

TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY MORNING
High: 81 Low: 54
Partly cloudy

WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY MORNING
High: 83 Low: 63
Partly sunny; 10% chance of a shower

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TEMPERATURE*

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|------------------------|-----------|
| Sunday | 81/50 |
| Record | 92/33 |
| Normal | 80/52 |
| Mean temp. | 66 |
| Departure from mean | +0 |
| PRECIPITATION** | 0.00 in. |
| Total for the month | 1.30 in. |
| Total for the year | 3.40 in. |
| Normal for the year | 10.27 in. |

*As of 7 p.m. at Inverness

UV INDEX: 10

0-2 minimal, 3-4 low, 5-6 moderate, 7-9 high, 10+ very high

BAROMETRIC PRESSURE

Sunday at 3 p.m. 30.07 in.

SOLAR TABLES

| DATE | DAY | MINOR (MORNING) | MAJOR (MORNING) | MINOR (AFTERNOON) | MAJOR (AFTERNOON) |
|------|---------|-----------------|-----------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| 4/1 | MONDAY | 11:03 | 4:48 | 11:33 | 5:18 |
| 4/2 | TUESDAY | — | 5:51 | 12:06 | 6:20 |

CELESTIAL OUTLOOK

SUNSET TONIGHT 7:49 P.M.
SUNRISE TOMORROW 7:19 A.M.
MOONRISE TODAY 12:36 A.M.
MOONSET TODAY 11:26 A.M.

BURN CONDITIONS

Today's Fire Danger Rating is: HIGH. There is no burn ban.

For more information call Florida Division of Forestry at (352) 754-6777. For more information on drought conditions, please visit the Division of Forestry's Web site:

http://flame.fl-dof.com/fire_weather/kbdi

WATERING RULES

Lawn watering limited to two days per week, before 10 a.m. or after 4 p.m., as follows:

EVEN addresses may water on Thursday and/or Sunday.

ODD addresses may water on Wednesday and/or Saturday.

Hand watering with a shut-off nozzle or micro irrigation of non-grass areas, such as vegetable gardens, flowers and shrubs, can be done on any day and at any time.

Citrus County Utilities' customers should CALL BEFORE YOU INSTALL new plant material 352-527-7669. Some new plantings may qualify for additional watering allowances.

To report violations, please call: City of Inverness @ 352-726-2321, City of Crystal River @ 352-795-4216 ext. 313, unincorporated Citrus County @ 352-7769.

TIDES

*From mouths of rivers **At King's Bay ***At Mason's Creek

| City | Monday | High/Low | High/Low | Monday | High/Low |
|-----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------|
| Chassahowitzka* | 10:41 a/5:57 a | 9:42 p/5:42 p | 11:55 a/6:58 a | 10:43 p/6:40 p | |
| Crystal River** | 9:02 a/3:19 a | 8:03 p/3:04 p | 10:16 a/4:20 a | 9:04 p/4:02 p | |
| Withlacoochee* | 6:49 a/1:07 a | 5:50 p/12:52 p | 8:03 a/2:08 a | 6:51 p/1:50 p | |
| Homosassa*** | 9:51 a/4:56 a | 8:52 p/4:41 p | 11:05 a/5:57 a | 9:53 p/5:39 p | |

KEY TO CONDITIONS: c=cloudy; dr=drizzle; f=fair; h=hazy; pc=partly cloudy; r=rain; rs=rain/snow mix; s=sunny; sh=showers; sn=snow; ts=thunderstorms; w=windy.

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*From mouths of rivers **At King's Bay ***At Mason's Creek

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

Sunday

Monday

Forgotten US airship crash recalled 80 years later

Associated Press

LAKEHURST, N.J. — History buffs will gather this week near the New Jersey coast to commemorate a major airship disaster.

No, not that one.

Newsreel footage and radio announcer Herbert Morrison's plaintive cry, "Oh, the humanity!" made the 1937 explosion of the Hindenburg at the Lakehurst Naval Air Station probably the best-known crash of an airship.

But just four years earlier, a U.S. Navy airship seemingly jinxed from the start and later celebrated in song crashed only about 40 miles away, claiming more than twice as many lives.

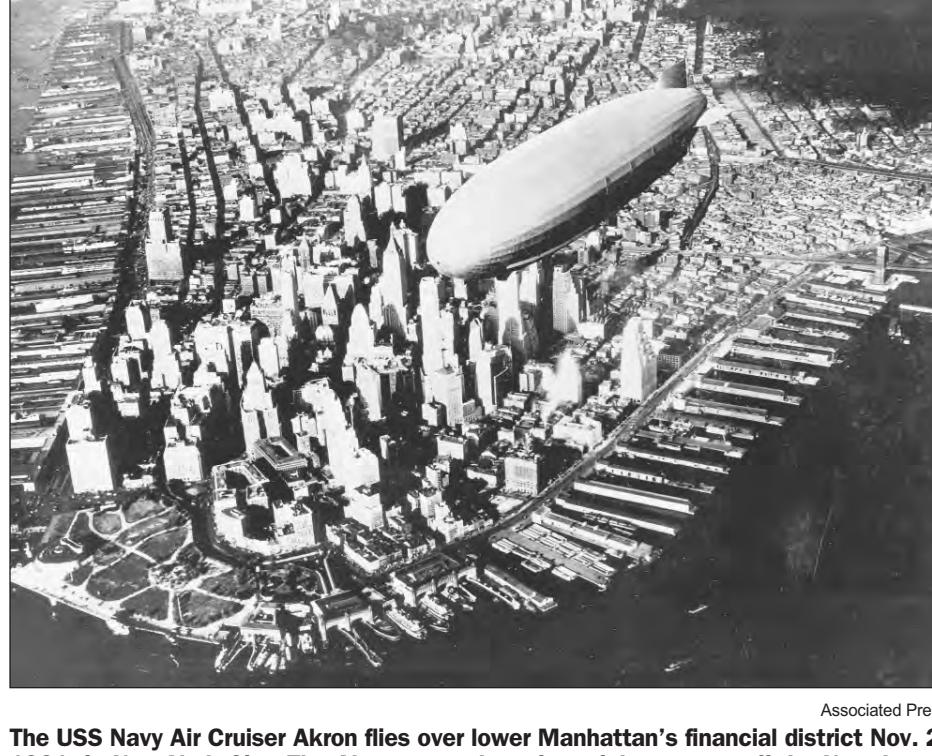
The USS Akron, a 785-foot dirigible, was in its third year of flight when a violent storm sent it plunging tail-first into the Atlantic Ocean shortly after midnight April 4, 1933.

"No broadcasters, no photographers, no big balls of fire, so who knew?" said Nick Rakocza, a member of the Navy Lakehurst Historical Society. "Everybody thinks that the Hindenburg was the world's greatest (airship) disaster. It was not."

A ceremony to commemorate the 80th anniversary of the crash, the deadliest airship disaster on record, is being conducted Thursday at a veterans park where there is a tiny plaque dedicated to the victims.

Below it is a small piece of metal from the airship.

Few in the area seemed to know about the disaster,



Associated Press

The USS Navy Air Cruiser Akron flies over lower Manhattan's financial district Nov. 2, 1931, in New York City. The Akron went down in a violent storm off the New Jersey coast. The disaster claimed 73 lives, more than twice as many as the crash of the Hindenburg four years later. The USS Akron, a 785-foot dirigible, was in its third year of flight when a violent storm sent it crashing tail-first into the Atlantic Ocean shortly after midnight April 4, 1933.

let alone the memorial plaque; even a Navy officer sent on an underwater mission to explore the wreckage many years later had not heard of the Akron.

"It's almost a forgotten accident," said Rick Zitarosa, historian for the Navy Lakehurst Historical Society. "The Akron deserves to be remembered."

The Akron crashed off the community of Barnegat Light just a few hours after taking off from Lakehurst, killing 73 of the 76 men aboard, largely because the ship had no life

vests and only one rubber raft, according to Navy records and the Navy Lakehurst Historical Society. They had been moved to another airship and were never replaced.

Lt. Cmdr. Herbert Wiley, Moody Erwin and Richard Deal were pulled from the frigid waters by a German tanker that had been nearby.

Erwin and Deal had been hanging on a fuel tank. Wiley was clinging to a board, according to an account he gave to a newspaper the next day.

In a newsreel interview, Wiley, standing next to the other survivors, said he was in the control car just before the crash. He said crew members could not see the ocean until they were about 300 feet above the water.

"The order was given to stand by for a crash," Wiley said. "The ship hit the water within 30 seconds of that order and most of us, I believe, we catapulted into the water."

Among the casualties was Rear Adm. William Moffett, the first chief of the Bureau



A plaque and a piece of the USS Akron airship are seen March 21 at a small veterans' memorial park in a neighborhood in Manchester Township, N.J.

of Navy Aeronautics.

When the wreckage was found, Zitarosa said, the airship had collapsed to about 25 feet in height. It had originally stood at about 150 feet.

"It was a catastrophic disintegration of the ship once it hit the water," Zitarosa said.

Part of the wreckage was lifted from the sea a few weeks after the accident.

The Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co. in Akron, Ohio, had been awarded a Navy contract in 1928 to build the Akron and a second rigid airship, the Macon. Construction of the Akron by the Goodyear-Zeppelin Corp. was completed in 1931.

It was plagued by problems from the start.

It was involved in three accidents before its final flight, including one in which its tail slammed into the ground several times. Another accident killed two sailors.

Some men who died in the Akron had survived the airship crash of the USS Shenandoah less than a year before.

A day after the Akron disaster, a blimp sent out to look for bodies malfunctioned and crashed in Barnegat Light, killing two more crew members.

A year later, Wiley was the commanding officer on the USS Macon when it was lost in a storm off of Port Sur, Calif., also killing two crew members. Wiley survived, but that was it for him and airships.

DILIGENT

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vehicle to Gardner's, where the owner shared a list of missing items and the video.

The video and subsequent stills from the video revealed three faces authorities were not familiar with.

That's all investigators had: a grainy video and a list of missing items.

Enter Deputy Brian Coleman, community resource officer in the Crystal River substation, inherited the case because one of the detectives was off. He got rolling, logging 80 hours on the case in addition to his regular duties.

Luck and tenacity took over rather quickly. Pictures of the suspects were distributed among agency personnel, businesses and other sources.

"Three days later, we get a call from a business and they said one of the guys was in the store," Coleman said. He rushed over there, but the man had left.

However, workers at the business were able to snap a clearer picture of the suspect and wrote down his vehicle tag. After running the

The third suspect's case remains under investigation.

information through normal law enforcement investigative tools, it was found that a car bearing that South Carolina license plate was stopped in Tampa recently. Two names came out of that stop: Sean Martin Osborne, 45, of Tampa, and Hector Luis Martinez, 25, of Brandon.

With the names, license numbers and pictures plus a vehicle, Coleman was able to issue a nationwide be-on-the lookout (BOLO) notice. He also found out Osborne was wearing an ankle monitor for a Citrus County violation, and the monitor was able to place him at the Gardner property at the same time as the video was recorded.

Three days after Christmas, Osborne was nabbed in Chattanooga, Tenn., and charged with arson, grand theft auto and burglary. He has yet to be extradited to Citrus County.

Coleman continued his painstaking investigation of Martinez and the third suspect seen in the video, poring over pawn shop records.

He eventually got a hit linking Martinez to pawn

transactions in Hillsborough County, for which he was arrested by authorities there. One of the items was a generator belonging to Gardner that Martinez reportedly pawned a day after the burglary. Martinez was arrested Feb. 23 and transferred to the county jail.

The third suspect's case remains under investigation.

"It is really gratifying, but it took a lot of time," Coleman said.

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Obituaries**Joy Beckett, 67
INVERNESS**

The Service of Remembrance for Mrs. Joy Acker Beckett, 67, of Inverness, Fla., will be at 7 p.m. Wednesday, April 3, 2013, at the Inverness Chapel of Hooper Funeral Homes with Pastor Larry Powers officiating. The family will receive friends from 5 p.m. until the hour of service. The family requests expressions of sympathy take the form of memorial donations to Hospice of Citrus County, P.O. Box 641270, Beverly Hills, FL 34464. Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.HooperFuneralHome.com.



Joy Beckett

Joy was born May 8, 1945, in Cleveland, Ohio, daughter of the late Richard and Mary (Hinckley) Acker. She worked as a secretary for the state attorney's office. She moved to Inverness, Fla., from Parma, Ohio, in 1972. Mrs. Beckett was a member of Inverness Church of God.

Mrs. Beckett was preceded in death by her husband, Richard Stephen Kanter. Survivors include her husband of 10 years, Donald B. Beckett; three children, Richard (Maryann) Kanter, Michael E. Kanter and daughter Katherine Kanter; two brothers, Bert (Kathy) Acker and Tom (Ginny) Acker; a sister, Debi (Bob) Starner; and two grandchildren.

Arrangements are under the direction of the Hooper Funeral Homes & Crematory.

**Audrey Berger, 84
INVERNESS**

Audrey Jean Berger, 84, of Inverness, died Sunday, March 31, 2013.

Chas. E. Davis Funeral Home with Crematory is in charge of private arrangements.

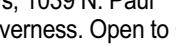
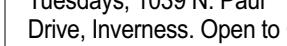
**Nettie Thomas, 84
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Nettie May Thomas, 84, of Inverness, died Friday, March 29, 2013, at Citrus Memorial Health System.

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Paralyzed ex-athlete's foundation helping others

JOHN ROGERS
Associated Press

CLAREMONT, Calif. — As he rolls through the front door of the sprawling Claremont Club fitness center and shouts a friendly hello here and there, for just a moment it's as if nothing has changed since Hal Hargrave Jr. was the big, friendly teenage gym rat who haunted this place.

The burly Hargrave's head was filled with dreams of playing college baseball as he strode into the gym, stretched out on a bench and pressed 300 pounds above his body. Again and again.

He's still big and burly, his arms still muscular and he still works out nearly every day. Only these days Hargrave uses that strength to move his wheelchair in and out of the gym, where he still works out 20 hours a week and knows just about everybody in the place.

These days, though, Hargrave's goal is to get walking again, something he lost the ability to do on July 26, 2007, when he swerved his truck to avoid debris in the road. It flipped four times, the cab collapsing on him and snapping his spine. It left him paralyzed from the neck down.

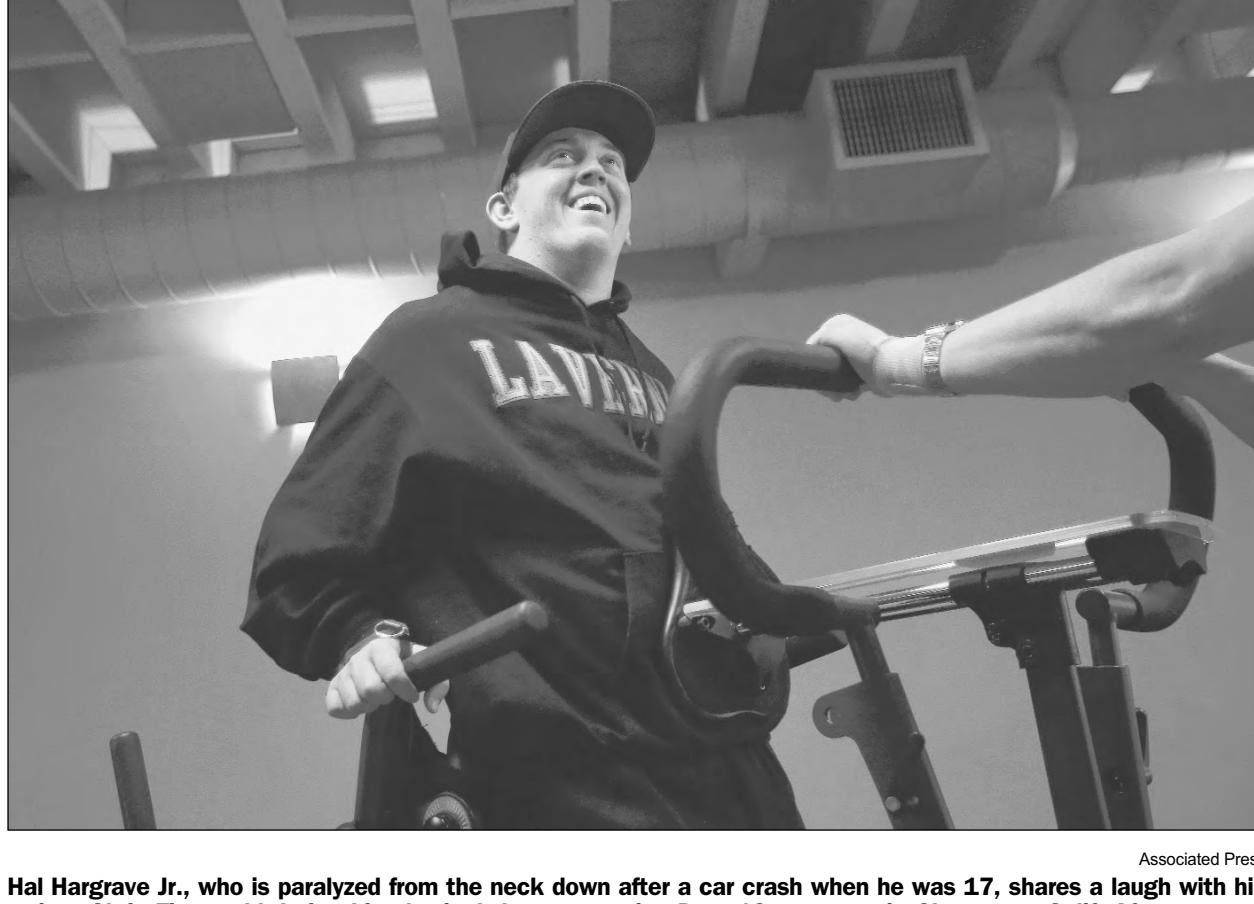
The irony is never lost on Hargrave that he was delivering handicapped-accessible bathroom doors as part of a summer job. If it was a sign to a strapping 17-year-old athlete that his life was headed in the wrong direction, it would seem to have been a particularly harsh one, but Hargrave doesn't see it that way.

"Some people call me crazy for putting it this way, but I have been given a gift," the talkative, friendly 23-year-old says with a smile over lunch at the gym's small cafe. "They see this as an ailment. I don't."

He sees it instead as something that gave him a chance to help others, to have his life truly make a difference.

It inspired him to create the Be Perfect Foundation, a nonprofit charity that has raised \$1.2 million to provide wheelchairs, make homes more accessible and, most importantly, keep more than 100 people in rehabilitation programs they otherwise couldn't afford.

All of which would have



Associated Press

Hal Hargrave Jr., who is paralyzed from the neck down after a car crash when he was 17, shares a laugh with his trainer Chris Fitzgerald during his physical therapy session Dec. 19 at a gym in Claremont, Calif. After years of grueling physical therapy, Hargrave started the nonprofit Be Perfect Foundation and raised \$2 million to help other young people who couldn't afford the same kind of rehabilitation program available to him.

been pretty impressive if Hargrave had just stopped there. But he didn't.

He persuaded the Claremont Club president to turn a racquetball court and a basketball court into a wing for people with paralyzing injuries. Then he got Project Walk, a spinal rehabilitation center where he'd been treated, to open its first franchise in this bucolic college town 35 miles east of Los Angeles for those who couldn't make the commute to its San Diego area headquarters.

"Here's a 17-year-old boy who had a debilitating, life-changing accident," said Mike Alpert, who runs the Claremont Club and whose daughter has known Hargrave since the two were in kindergarten. "So many people that go through that would give up. Would be depressed.

"And he said to me, 'DO NOT be sorry! It was a blessing.'"

Then he gave her a Be Perfect bracelet that she wears to this day.

Not that the road back from the accident was easy.

"It was very touch and go the first two weeks," recalled his father, Hal Hargrave Sr., who still chokes up when he talks about what his son has overcome and accomplished. "They had him on breathing machines. He got pneumonia. ... We didn't know if he was going to stay with us or not."

Hargrave himself thought he would die as he lay trapped in the truck. Those stories about your life passing before you, he says, are true.

Although he's big and strong again, nerve damage keeps his body in a near perpetual state of motion, giving the impression he's fidgeting uncomfort-

ably in his chair although he really feels little.

Given only a 1 percent to 3 percent chance of walking again, he threw himself into rehabilitation with the same fervor that once made him a high school sports star. Gradually, movement returned to his shoulders, then his arms and hands. Lately, he's started to get some in his legs, as well.

"It's nothing that's too controlled movement yet, but it's coming back and I'm doing things that doctors are in disbelief about," he says happily.

He was told that running a foundation wouldn't be easy, especially for a guy going through his own grueling rehabilitation. But he was adamant.

"He didn't like the word no. And he didn't like the word can't," Hargrave Sr. says, chuckling at the memory of raising the old-

have insurance and couldn't afford any more rehabilitation.

Before he left the center, Hargrave persuaded his father to pick up the cost of O'Neil's rehabilitation.

Then, on the ride home, he decided why not help others as well?

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est of his four children. O'Neil was blown away — and still is.

"For such a young man he's very — I can't even find the words to mention the kind of guy Little Hal is," O'Neil, using the nickname close friends call Hargrave by, says emotionally. "He's just a great kid."

Hargrave scheduled the first of what would become annual fundraisers at the height of the Great Depression and he hoped he might get lucky and raise maybe \$30,000. After \$250,000 poured in, he thought: "Maybe we can do this forever."

So he soldiered on, getting up each day, working out, running the foundation, hanging out with friends, going to school. Still a sports fanatic, he's earning a degree in communications with the hope of someday becoming a sports broadcaster.

But the foundation will always come first.

"I had dreams of going off and going to school and becoming a baseball player and doing this and that," he says as he finishes lunch. "But when I think back on it, it was so selfish. And now my dreams are much different. My dreams are to keep people in therapy and my dreams are to help other people. That's what my life is about at this point."

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Immigration deal not final, senators warn

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Even with one of the largest hurdles to an immigration overhaul overcome, optimistic lawmakers on Sunday cautioned they had not finished work on a bill that would provide a path to citizenship for 11 million illegal immigrants.

The AFL-CIO and the pro-business U.S. Chamber of Commerce reached a deal late Friday that would allow tens of thousands of low-skill workers into the country to fill jobs in construction, restaurants and hotels. Yet despite the unusual agreement between the two powerful lobbying groups, lawmakers from both parties conceded the negotiations were not finished.

"With the agreement between business and labor, every major policy issue has been resolved," said Sen. Chuck Schumer, the New York Democrat who brokered the labor-business deal.

But it hasn't taken the form of a bill, and the eight senators searching for a compromise haven't met about the potential breakthrough.

"We haven't signed off," said Sen. Lindsey Graham, R-S.C.

"There are a few details yet. But conceptually, we have an agreement between business and labor, between ourselves that has to be drafted," he added.

Yet just before lawmakers began appearing on Sunday shows, Sen. Marco Rubio warned he was not ready to lend his name — and political clout — to such a deal without hashing out the details.

"Reports that the bipartisan group of eight senators have agreed on a legislative proposal are premature," said Rubio, a Florida Republican who is among the lawmakers working on legislation.

Rubio, a Cuban-American who is weighing a presidential bid in 2016,



Sen. Marco Rubio, R-Fla., speaks March 14 at the 40th annual Conservative Political Action Conference in National Harbor, Md.

is a leading figure inside his party. Lawmakers will be closely watching any deal for his approval and his skepticism about the process did little to encourage optimism.

Rubio, who is the group's emissary to conservatives, called the agreement "a starting point," but said 92 senators from 43 states haven't yet been involved in the process.

The detente between the nation's leading labor federation and the powerful business lobbying group still needs senators' approval, including a nod from Sen. John McCain, the Arizona Republican whose previous efforts came up short.

"I think we're on track ... But as Sen. Rubio correctly says, we have said we will not come to final agreement 'til we look at all of the legislative language, and he's correctly pointing out that that language hasn't been fully drafted," Schumer said.

Sen. Jeff Flake, R-Ariz., also noted the significance of the truce between labor and business but added this wasn't yet complete.

"That doesn't mean we've crossed every 'i' or dotted every 't,' or vice versa," said Flake, who is among the eight lawmakers working on the deal.

Schumer negotiated the deal between AFL-CIO president Richard Trumka and Chamber of Commerce head Tom Donohue during a late-Friday phone call.

Under the compromise, the government would create a new "W" visa for low-skill workers who would earn wages paid to Americans or the prevailing wages for the industry they're working in, whichever is higher. The Labor Department would determine prevailing wage based on customary rates in specific localities, so that it would vary from city to city.

The proposed measure would secure the border, crack down on employers, improve legal immigration and create a 13-year pathway to citizenship for the millions of illegal immigrants already here.

It's a major second-term priority of President Barack Obama's and would usher in the most dramatic changes to the faltering U.S. immigration system in more than two decades.

"This is a legacy item for him. There is no doubt in my mind that he wants to pass comprehensive immigration reform," said David Axelrod, a longtime political confidant of Obama.

The new program would fill needs employers say they have that are not currently met by U.S. immigration programs. Most industries don't have a good way to hire a steady supply of foreign workers because there's one temporary visa program for low-wage nonagricultural workers, but it's capped at 66,000 visas per year and is only supposed to be used for seasonal or temporary jobs.

Nevada youth coaches charged in post-game fight

Associated Press

RENO, Nev. — Two Nevada youth football coaches are facing criminal charges in connection with a bloody fist fight in front of dozens of players and parents after a game in northeastern Nevada.

The coaches are accused of "chest-bumping," punching and yelling obscenities at each other during the Oct. 16 midfield fight in the casino town of West Wendover along the Utah line.

Prosecutors filed misdemeanor battery and disturbing the peace charges last week against Luis Perez, 53, and Frank Sanchez, 38, in West Wendover Justice Court.

The fight stemmed from the final play of a game that involved 10- to 13-year-old boys and was won by Perez's team, police said.

Perez told investigators he asked his quarterback to kneel down with the ball to end the game, but Sanchez tried to get his bigger players to hurt the quarterback.

Sanchez denied the allegation and maintained he acted in self-defense during the fight.

"There's no association or league, youth or adult, that will accept that kind of behavior," Robert Loncar, head of the Great Basin Youth Football League, told The Associated Press. "The game was over and there was no reason for that."

"They let their tempers get the best of them. It's just a very poor example. The kids watch everything and we adults need to be role models," he added.

Both coaches have unlisted phone numbers and could not be reached for comment. It was not immediately clear whether they had attorneys.

While witnesses disagree over who threw the first punch, they say the fight began after Perez and Sanchez got in a heated argument over the final play. The two exchanged punches until the fight was broken up, according to witnesses.

Both coaches refused medical attention at the time. Perez suffered a bloody nose and swollen eye, while Sanchez had no immediate visible injuries, police said.

The coaches, who have been permanently banned from the league, are scheduled to be arraigned May 8 in justice court.

Sanchez, in a statement to police, acknowledged he regretted the fight.

"I feel really bad for my action that (night)," he wrote. "I thought we were going to exchange words and that was all. We both made mistakes that night. We both hurt the sport and kids that we love."

"For that I will willfully (accept) any action against me ... I believe that both of us made a huge mistake and hopefully we are forgiven by the kids and parents and community someday."



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IMPROVING THE ODDS

Teen driver program saves lives

Every year, parents get calls and visits no parent ever wants to receive — the call from a hospital telling them their child has been injured in an accident, or the visit from a deputy telling them their child's car wreck was fatal. The statistics are sobering.

Automobile accidents are the No. 1 cause of death among teenagers. In 2010, the last year for which there are

encies, there is an added incentive. Taking the course is required to get a parking permit at county high schools, and students can take the day off from school to attend the course.

While this is a benefit, it is also the only leverage the school system has to encourage students to take the course, because it is not required to get a license.

Since the program began in Citrus County in 2007, nearly 2,500 teens have taken the course, and no student who took the course has been killed in an automobile accident. The program seems to have a positive impact on driving safety of those who participate.

While planning for the program was under way when the two young women died in a terrible accident, the pain of two families who lost daughters in an accident that could have been avoided helped drive the program from planning into reality. Today, young drivers are learning the skills to help them avoid becoming another grim statistic.

The program is now established, and it is saving lives. It is a tribute to the families of these two young women, the school system and the sheriff's office that this personal tragedy helped promote a program that saves lives year after year.

THE ISSUE:

Teen Driver Challenge.

OUR OPINION:

A life-saving program.

Per mile driven, teen drivers ages 16 to 19 are three times more likely than all other ages combined to be involved in a fatal automobile accident, and in six out of 10 fatal accidents involving teenagers, the driver of the car was a teen.

In Citrus County, a cooperative agreement between the school system and the sheriff's office, which was worked out following a crash that took the lives of two teens, allows high school juniors and seniors to take at no cost a Florida Sheriff's Association driver training program called the Teen Driver Challenge.

In addition to learning defensive driving skills and how to respond to drivingemer-

Thanks for your thanks

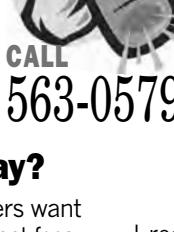
I want to express my appreciation to the editorial board of the Chronicle for its excellent coverage of the dispute between the Citrus Memorial Foundation and the county hospital board which resulted in the cost of millions of dollars in legal fees to the hospital and ultimately to the public. Assuming the unification as presently proposed occurs, I would ask one final favor of the Chronicle: Please print, for the benefit of the citizens of Citrus County, the names, occupations and dates of service of the members of both of these quasi-governmental bodies in order that we may well remember them in the event they seek further service to our county in the future.

Who's left to pay?

I see where the developers want us to do away with the impact fees. Well, you know who's going to have to pick up the difference if that's done. They make more money, but the citizens have to pay the extra taxes. It doesn't take a nuclear scientist to understand that.

Say it again

A letter was written to the editor, "When America lost its way." Truer words were never spoken.



Sale-stopper

To the person who took my yard sale sign this week: Thank you very much. I had no customers. I hope that you enjoyed taking it.

Plagiarized letter

I've read the Chronicle's guidelines for call-in comments and letters. I was really surprised that there is no mention about using someone else's written work. I'm prompted to call in by a letter that I read in the Chronicle just recently and it was signed by a resident of Citrus County. I located that same exact same composition on the Internet. The letter in the Chronicle was a truncated version, but nonetheless identical. Perhaps it was an honest error on the part of the writer, but I wonder.

I'll be carrying

I read now that four people were stabbed in a Target store. Now I have had a concealed weapons permit and know how to use my gun, but I have rarely carried it. I think from now on I will carry my gun everywhere so that these people won't know which grandma has got the gun. I'm seriously putting mine in my car, my .22.

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Is it too much to ask for a human?

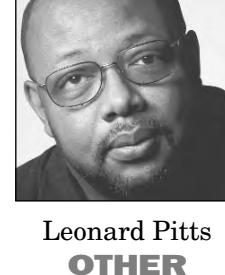
Dear Whomever is in Charge of Customer Service for DirecTV:

All I wanted was to watch the game.

I was back in my hotel room after a long day and I figured, what better way to unwind? Now, the game wasn't available on the hotel channels, but I've got that League Pass service you offer and one of its perks — supposedly — is that you can watch the game right on the ol' iPad.

So I got out the ol' iPad and I fired up the app and I retrieved the password and I tried to sign in and nothing happened, so I

called you guys and the robot lady answered and told me to OPRIMA NUMERO DOS if I wanted to conduct my business in Spanish, which I didn't, so I didn't and I said yes when the robot lady asked if I was a subscriber and I gave her my phone number when she asked for it and then she asked me to tell her what I wanted, and I tried to explain twice but she didn't get it, so I told her I had a question about League Pass and she gave me this long spiel about how I could buy League Pass, which I didn't need to do, since I already had it, so I asked the robot lady to connect me with technical support and she said she would and that's about when she hung up on me, so I called again and I went through the whole thing again and this time I got to a human being who



Leonard Pitts
OTHER VOICES

By this point, the game was at halftime. I gave up.

So anyway, Mr. or Ms. Whomever is in Charge, here's the thing: Can I talk to a human being next time? I'll pay extra if you simply have the phone answered by someone with a pulse.

Not just you. I make the same offer to my cellphone company, my Internet provider, the electric company and the bank. I am willing to pay more if it means that when I call your company, my call will be answered by an actual, knowledgeable human being who will listen to my problem and solve it.

That doesn't seem much to ask. Once upon a time, it wasn't. But that was before technology made our lives simpler and more convenient. It was before the age turned distant and impersonal and human beings be-

came cost inefficient. It was before someone got the bright idea to let robots answer the phone.

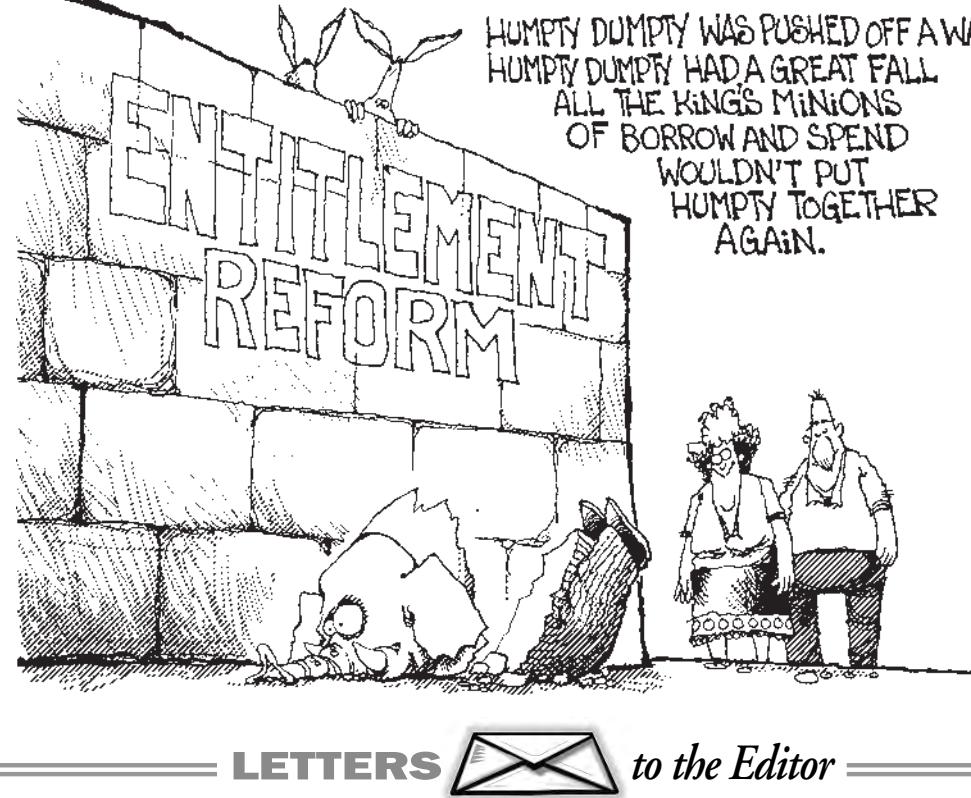
Meaning not just machines that use voice recognition software to misunderstand what you're asking for and route your call to the wrong department, but also those human robots who, once they do get your call, read mechanically from a script that requires them to express remorse for your problem, explain why they can't fix your problem, try to upsell you on some new service that does not address your problem, then ask if you are satisfied with how they have resolved your problem.

Those old movies that told us how machines would take over the world had it wrong. One does not see human skulls crushed beneath robot feet. No, one just sees human spirit crushed beneath robot customer service. One misses the days when companies employed actual people to serve actual people and if they were occasionally surly, clueless or unhelpful, they were at least real — capable of acknowledging your presence.

How much to get that back? Seriously. You could market it as a premium package. DirecTV Pulse — Now With Real Humans!

Give me a call and let's discuss. Press 3 for English.

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LETTERS to the Editor

Wealthy few leads to anemic economy

The "Living paycheck to paycheck" letter from Mr. Lawrence has me wondering if he really understands basic economics. Consider:

1. Research on human motivation indicates people would prefer to work than to do nothing (Think about all the volunteer workers in this county!);

2. There are more people than there are paid jobs, so there are going to be people who can't find work and must do nothing;

3. When money is distributed through unemployment checks, food stamps, Social Security, etc., to those who have very little of it, all of that money is spent — which is a good thing, because it continues to circulate throughout the economy and helps the economy to grow;

4. When money is distributed through tax breaks to the wealthy (who already have a lot of it), some of that money is invested in foreign countries, some goes to foreign banks, or is just taken out of circulation and "squirrelled" away. The point is: It is taken out of circulation, which hurts our economy;

5. Anyone who is smart enough to be wealthy will not invest in job creation if they can't sell a product because the masses of people do not have money to purchase the

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product. No amount of tax breaks for the wealthy will change that.

A high percentage of people in Citrus County are middle-class. They have seen their salaries cut (teachers), pensions reduced or eliminated (government workers), or they have seen their jobs disappear completely. That does not help private businesses to flourish. Businesses are hurt when people have less money to spend. The more we shift our country's resources into the hands of a few, the more slowly our

economy will grow. If we cut one segment of the economy (government spending), we need to cut the other segment as well by increasing taxes on large corporations and the wealthy to ensure a healthy economy.

Nancy Nehring, Ph.D., ASID interior designer Crystal River

Thanks for attending dance

The Inverness Lions held a dance Feb. 9, at Dudley's Auction House to raise money for applicants in the community who are in need of eye exams, glasses or eye surgery. We had a very nice turnout and everyone enjoyed themselves. Thanks to club members who worked to set up and clean afterwards, baked brownies for sale or participated in other ways to make this event successful; to all who donated gifts for the Chinese auction; to Chris and Robert Dudley for the use of their establishment and their time; to Catfish Johnny and the Roaring Fever Band from Lake Panasoffkee and their many friends.

We could not have done it without the help of all of you who made this event so successful. We thank you very much for all you did.

Madeline Gendron chairwoman

Robert Emerson president, Inverness Lions Club

Letters to THE EDITOR**Make changes to political system**

For most of my adult life, I have considered myself a Republican (no more); however, I do not understand where they plan to lead this country. I have several ideas to share:

They are promoting increasing the minimum age for Social Security. Do they really think people of age can continue to fulfill jobs where they do hard labor like climbing utility poles, standing on your feet over 12 hours a day, or carrying heavy loads?

I feel they could contain the high costs of Medicare in two ways: (1) Have a single-payer system for all people who have the authority to limit excessive costs for equipment, medication, laboratory and imaging fees to name a few. Consider the cost of a power scooter. It was estimated they cost about \$700 to build; however, these companies bill Medicare for \$4,000 to \$7,000 each. I think reasonable profit margins would save a lot of money.

I know a lot of people question Medicaid costs. I also think we could lessen this burden by covering all citizens with a basic health care policy and applying copays for misuse of urgent care or emergency room care. All people need to have a primary-care physician; they can take care of most needs at a lower fee than specialists and lessen the need for more expensive interventions.

Also, when considering elected officials, I thought our political system says they are elected to represent us—the people—why do they bow to unelected people like Karl Rove and Grover Norquist over the people?

We as citizens and consumers also have the responsibility to see what our elected officials are promoting and if, indeed, they are not representing us, vote them out of office while we can. Far too many “public servants” have priorities set by (1) the political party leaders, (2) constant fundraising for re-election, and (3) answering to lobbyist or other monetary influences. This is not representative government of the people for the people in my book. And as consumers, promote American jobs by supporting products made in the United States.

Sandy Engelman
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Takers vs. makers

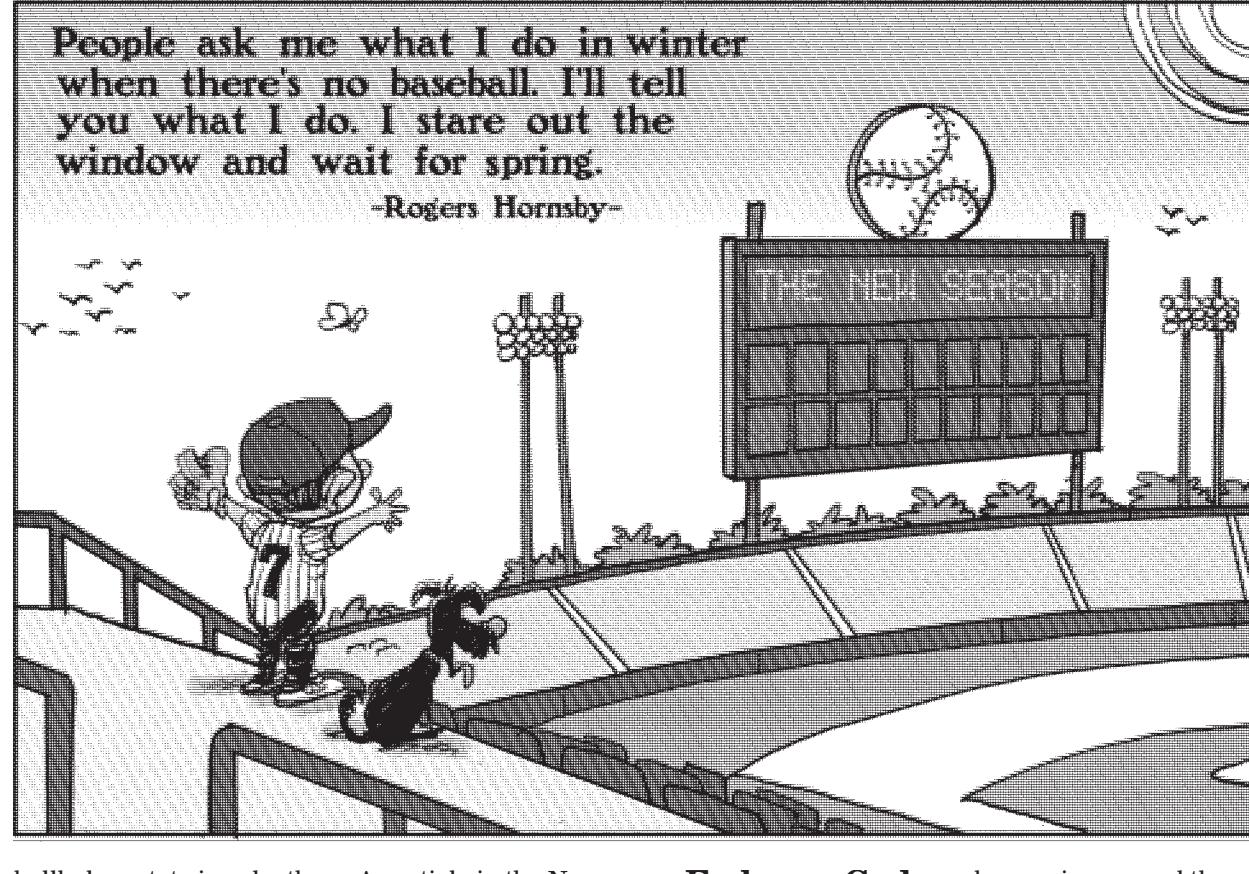
Unlike Barack Obama, I will admit it when I mis-speak. I misspoke when I said there were 11 states with more people on welfare than working. What I should have said is “there are 11 states with more takers than makers.” The quote came from William Baldwin’s article “Do You Live in A Death Spiral State?” published in Forbes magazine. I could just blow it off like Obama and say “It’s the same thing,” but that wouldn’t be fair. Another way to say it is there are 11 states where the number of citizens in the government sector outnumber the number of citizens in the private sector, and that would be very accurate even if there is some overlap. The point is that big overreaching government is doomed to failure.

Baldwin defines takers as government workers, government retirees and welfare recipients, and throws in one person for every \$100,000 in unfunded state pension fund obligations. When you look at a state like California that has \$167 billion dollars of unfunded pension obligations, that does skew the comparison. Since it is a financial article, his point is don’t buy a house there or invest in their bonds.

Let’s take California and look at it closely. It is one of the states that Baldwin labels a fiscal

People ask me what I do in winter when there's no baseball. I'll tell you what I do. I stare out the window and wait for spring.

—Rogers Hornsby—



hellhole, a state in a death spiral. I like California; I've lived there three times in my life and enjoyed it every time. I couldn't afford it today. Money has no meaning there. I recently looked at a cute little 1,400-square-foot house in Half Moon Bay on a 4,500-square-foot lot that listed for \$750,000. It was a half a block from the ocean but it had no view of it.

California has a population of 38,041,430 people. About 1 of every 8 Americans live in California. They have an average per capita income of \$29,634, and a median household income of \$61,632. With a GDP of just under \$2 trillion, California would rank No. 9 in the world in GDP if it was a country. That's down from a No. 5 ranking 10 years ago. California has the highest average salary for state employees in the country at \$70,777. I have seen it listed as just over \$60,000. But I'll use the higher number. When you compare either one to the average salary of \$29,634, you begin to see the problem: State government is big business and pays very well.

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**Embrace God, Constitution, guns**

Respectfully written to Mr. Cary McMullen:

I hope your statement that Christians who cling to God might actually require them to throw away their guns and turn their backs on the Constitution is your way of joking or some type of light detestation for Mrs. Palin.

If we turn our backs on what made and is this country, we have nothing and deserve nothing. I, as many, believe in God, America, our Constitution, all of the Amendments and the freedoms they bring. Some of us will and have fought and died to protect the very fiber and being of the great U.S. Constitution. I believe this country is in trouble, and if the people in America do not get more involved to educate themselves of politics, the laws, Constitution, what is

happening around the world and actually read and know our founding history, stand up, speak out and replace most of the useless people in power and put forth less government involvement we will end up enslaved by government, and the controlling politicians who think it is a lifetime job to rule instead of working for the people, by the people, will rule as autocrats.

Not everyone has to agree, but I believe the majority will: Embrace your God, the Constitution and your right to keep and bear arms. To protect this nation and cling to its Constitution is not a rant and those who believe so need to be more open-minded, tolerant and educated on the founding of this country no matter your faith, politics and beliefs.

Don B. Powell
Hernando

Doctors responded when needed

I would like to send my sincere thank you and appreciation to our affiliated physicians Dr. William Gelinis, Dr. John Royalty and Dr. Shaun Saint for their willingness on Feb. 25 to personally respond to the multiple vehicle accidents that occurred on U.S. 19 in front of Seven Rivers Regional Medical Center.

I cannot recall experiencing numerous different motor vehicle accidents on the same morning in front of our hospital due to four different causes. Your presence and guidance was calming to the hospital associates who responded as well as to the law enforcement/fire/emergency medical crew members that worked each scene.

I also commend our hospital team for its efforts in responding quickly and compassionately to those in need. To our law enforcement/fire/emergency medical crews, I thank you for efficiently and effectively managing the scene. I appreciate everything that you do each and every day for our community. We will be sharing for some time the story of how traffic was closed in both directions so that the trauma helicopter could land on the highway and rapidly transport one of the victims.

All of our thoughts and prayers are with the injured and their family members, yet our appreciation for your dedication is heartfelt and I wanted to express those feelings with each of you. On behalf of Seven Rivers Regional, thank you for what you do every day, but especially on this day.

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Nation BRIEFS**Pipeline bursts**

Associated Press

A worker starts to clean up the oil that threatened Lake Conway after a crude oil pipeline ruptured Friday afternoon in Mayflower, Ark. Mayflower Police Chief Robert Satkowski said an ExxonMobil pipeline sprung a leak Friday in the small city about 20 miles northwest of Little Rock.

Suspect sought in abduction of girl, 10

LOS ANGELES — A transient with a long criminal record is being sought in the kidnapping of a 10-year-old girl who was snatched from her San Fernando Valley home before dawn last week and abandoned hours later in front of a hospital.

Police identified Tobias Dustin Summers, 30, as a suspect Saturday, but they couldn't elaborate on the motive or what led them to him.

About 40 detectives have been investigating since the girl was abducted from her home at around 3 a.m. Wednesday.

"As of right now, there are no new developments on the case," Officer Norma Eisenman, a police spokeswoman, said Sunday.

The girl was found about 12 hours after she was abducted, wandering near a Starbucks several miles away.

She was barefoot, had bruises and scratches, and wasn't wearing the same clothes she had on when she vanished.

Four hurt in crash, attack at Walmart

SAN JOSE, Calif. — Authorities said four people were hurt when a driver crashed his vehicle into a Walmart in California and assaulted people in the store.

San Jose police said after the crash on Sunday, the driver got out his vehicle and used a blunt object to attack people.

It's not known how badly those attacked were hurt, but one person suffered what police described as serious injuries.

The driver of the vehicle was arrested when officers arrived. His name has not yet been released.



Three killed in 75-vehicle pileup

WILLIAM BOTTOMLEY/WXXI

Three people were killed Sunday in a 75-vehicle pileup on Interstate 77 near the Virginia-North Carolina border.

Three killed in 75-vehicle pileup

GALAX, Va. — About 75 vehicles crashed Sunday along a mountainous, foggy stretch of interstate near the Virginia-North Carolina border, killing three people and injuring more than 20 others, police said.

Traffic backed up for about 8 miles in the southbound lanes of I-77 in southwest Virginia. Authorities closed the northbound lanes so fire trucks, ambulances and police could get to the wreck.

Several vehicles caught fire in the wreck, but the blaze was put out, Virginia State Police spokeswoman Corinne Geller said.

—From wire reports

■ Louisville women stun No. 1 Baylor in regional semifinals. /B3



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Michigan crushes Florida's Final Four hopes

Gators start slow, never lead in 79-59 loss

Associated Press

ARLINGTON, Texas — Trey Burke and Michigan had the perfect response for everyone who said they were too young or not tough enough to make it all the way to Atlanta.

The championship trophy for the South Region is headed back to Ann Arbor, while another fabulous group of young Wolverines is going to the Final Four.

Led by Burke and sharp-shooting guard Nik Stauskas, one of three freshmen starters, Michigan controlled Florida from start to finish in a 79-59 win Sunday.

"It means the world — 20 years has passed and we haven't been on that stage yet," said Tim Hardaway Jr., the junior elder statesman in the starting lineup.

The last time Michigan made it this far was the Fab Five era of the early 1990s, what until now had been considered the

2013 NCAA men's Final Four

Saturday, April 6 at Atlanta
6:09 p.m. — Louisville vs. Wichita State
8:49 p.m. — Michigan vs. Syracuse

program's glory years.

Might be time to start rethinking that. Once they got ahead Sunday, the Wolverines (30-7) maintained a double-digit lead against the experienced Gators (29-8), who won the regular-season title in the Southeastern Conference, but lost in a regional final for the third straight year.

"We've almost become numb to it now. Been here before," Gators junior center Patric Young said. "I just really wish we were out there cutting the nets down."

Stauskas scored 22 points while making all six of his 3-pointers. Burke, the South Region's most outstanding player, scored 15 points, and 6-foot-10 freshman Mitch McGary had 11 points and nine rebounds.

When the game ended, Burke and several of his teammates went to the opposite

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Associated Press
Florida forward Will Yeguete shoots between Michigan's Jordan Morgan, left, and Tim Hardaway Jr. on Sunday during a regional final in Arlington, Texas.

= Girls Basketball Player of the Year finalists AND ALL-CHRONICLE TEAM =

Standing tall



**Shenelle Toxen,
Citrus junior**



**Alexis Zachar,
Seven Rivers junior**



**Lindsay Connors,
Citrus senior**

Chronicle file photos

All three finalists for the Chronicle's Girls Basketball Player of the Year excelled in multiple facets of the game.

Despite standing just 5-foot-8, Citrus junior Shenelle Toxen provided a serious scoring and rebounding threat around the basket.

Teammate Lindsay Connors, a senior, is a sharpshooter from the outside who was also second in the county in assists per game.

Finally, Alexis Zachar of Seven Rivers could score inside or out while rebounding and blocking shots at a high rate.

The winner will be announced at the Chronicle sports banquet,

which is currently being planned for after our local high school graduations in May. Full details will be released soon.

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ON POINT

All-Chronicle girls basketball team

Lindsay Connors, Citrus senior shooting guard

A 5-foot-4 scorer, the Hurricane averaged 12.4 points, 5 assists (second on the team) and 2.1 steals a game while also surpassing the 1,000-point career mark during her final season.

Shenelle Toxen, Citrus junior forward

A 5-foot-8 interior player, the Hurricane put up 12.8 points, 8.8 rebounds, 2.5 assists per contest for the Class 6A regional playoff squad.

Liz Lynch, Citrus senior point guard

Standing 5-foot-2, the Hurricanes' four-year starter led the county in assists (7.8) and steals (3.4) per contest while also adding 8.6 points a game.

Paige Richards, Lecanto junior point guard

A 5-foot-6 combo guard, the Panther

took over the reigns of her team during a strong second-half charge while averaging 14.3 points per game, second in the county.

Megan Wells, Crystal River junior guard

In a year in which her team made the Class 5A regional playoffs, Wells was the most consistent performer. She averaged 12.1 points, 3.4 rebounds, 2.6 assists and 1.4 steals per game.

Alexis Zachar, Seven Rivers junior forward

A force at 6-foot-3, the Warrior was equally adept at playing inside or popping out to stick a jumper en route to averaging 14.6 points, 7.6 rebounds, 3.7 blocks and 1.9 steals per game for the District 2A-3 winner.

Andrea Zachar, Seven Rivers forward

At 6-foot-2, the Warrior was a formidable presence on the court and contributed 12 points, 7.2 rebounds and 1.5 steals per game for the District 2A-3 champions.

— Compiled by CJ Risak and Jon-Michael Soracchi

**Points
wins,
makes
Masters**

Associated Press

HUMBLE, Texas — D.A. Points came back from a long rain delay and made four pars, the last one giving him a one-shot victory in the Houston Open and a trip to the Masters.

With a putter he once borrowed from his mother and never returned, Points rolled in a putt from just outside 12 feet on the final hole to polish off a 6-under 66 and avoid a sudden-death playoff with Masters-bound Henrik Stenson and Billy Horschel.



D.A. Points

It was quite a turnaround for Points, whose only other PGA Tour win was at Pebble Beach two years ago with actor Bill Murray along for the laughs.

He started the year by missing the cut seven times in nine tournaments. He arrived at Redstone Golf Club having not broken 70 in last nine rounds. But he stayed in the hunt after opening with a 64, and he kept his calm when he returned to the golf course after a rain delay of nearly three hours.

"Thank you for staying," Points said to the sparse gallery in the bleachers as he walked off the green.

Stenson birdied his last two holes for a 66 before the storms rolled across Houston, and while he came up one shot short, he moved up to No. 42 in the world ranking to earn an invitation to the Masters. Horschel was on the 18th tee when play was halted, and then had to wait some more for his turn to hit on the tough driving hole. He split the middle, found the green and two-putted for par to join Stenson in the clubhouse lead.

They waited around for a play-off that wasn't necessary when Points saved par on his last two holes.

"I've been having a really

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Openers feature Strasburg, rivalries, AL vs NL

Associated Press

The Kansas City Royals have been absent from the playoffs since the day Billy Butler was born. They've barely had a winning season in the last two decades. They've often lost 100 games in a year.

And yet, buoyed by the best record in spring training, hope abounds — for the Royals, for most everybody putting on a big league uniform.

"There's no reason we shouldn't be better," said Butler, the Royals' All-Star slugger. "How much better that is? I'm not a mind reader. I'm not a projector."

Ah, opening day.

The hot dogs taste better; the boxscores mean more and most every team thinks it's just a break or two away from reaching the World Series.

A dozen games were set for today across the majors. Star pitchers Justin Verlander, Stephen Strasburg and Adam Wainwright try to get off to great starts, old rivalries are renewed at Yankee Stadium and Dodger Stadium, and a quirky interleague schedule unfolds.

No snow is in the forecast for any ballpark on April Fools' Day, but freezing temperatures are expected at Target Field in Minnesota when Verlander and the AL champion Tigers take on the Twins.

"It's going to be cold, but I've pitched in that kind of weather before," Verlander said. "I don't think about it. It's always cold in Detroit on opening day."

The season started Sunday night in Houston when the Astros, who shifted from the National League to the American League during the winter, hosted the Texas Rangers.

Long the site of baseball's traditional opener, Cincinnati was going to have a new look today. That's when Josh Hamilton and his new Los Angeles Angels teammates visit Cincinnati in the first interleague matchup this season.

The Astros' move left 15 teams in each league, meaning an AL vs. NL matchup most every day this season.

"It is very strange," Reds manager Dusty Baker said.

On both coasts, there was a very familiar look — Red Sox-Yankees and Giants-Dodgers.

Mariano Rivera was set for his final opening day when the banged-up Yankees hosted Boston. The New York

closer is among several big names who missed most or even all of last year — Troy Tulowitzki, Victor Martinez and John Lackey are in that group.

Injured stars Derek Jeter, Alex Rodriguez, Curtis Granderson and Mark Teixeira won't be in pinstripes for the first pitch.

"It's still the Yankees, it's still going to be a good lineup," Boston starter Jon Lester said. "They're missing a few of their big guys, but anybody that fills in for them, it's like what I said, they're going to put professional at-bats together and still — it's not going to be a walk in the park."

No easy decisions, either, for Boston manager John Farrell, one of six new skippers in the majors this year.

At Dodger Stadium, Matt Cain starts for the World Series champion San Francisco Giants when they play Los Angeles in the century-old rivalry.

It will mark the 64th season at the microphone for Dodgers announcer Vin Scully. Heck, Tigers manager Jim Leyland seems like a mere pup by comparison, now

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2013 MLB season outlook

AMERICAN LEAGUE PREVIEW CENTRAL

Hamilton, Angels set to take on Tigers

Associated Press

Josh Hamilton joined forces with Albert Pujols and Mike Trout in Los Angeles, primed to pry the American League pennant from Miguel Cabrera, Prince Fielder and Victor Martinez in Detroit.

Not so fast, big boys.

The Toronto Blue Jays want in, too, and they brought a bevy of All-Stars, led by knuckleballer R.A. Dickey and shortstop Jose Reyes, north of the border for their shot.

Tampa Bay locked up Evan Longoria for six more years. The White Sox signed young ace Chris Sale for five. The AL West champion Oakland Athletics are hoping Yoenis Cespedes can keep them on top in a loaded division.

One thing is certain: A bunch of swaggering bats are ready to give the Houston Astros a rude welcome to the American League.

A look at the AL in predicted order of finish:

EAST

TAMPA BAY RAYS

The spendthrift Rays opened their checkbook to keep Longoria for six more seasons and \$100 million. Now, he must stay healthy if light-hitting Tampa Bay is going to make a run in this hefty division. Longoria missed 74 games last season and the Rays went 41-44 without him.

Led by AL Cy Young Award winner David Price and arrow-pointing closer Fernando Rodney, the Rays will be tough to beat no matter how many runs they score. Even with the departure of James Shields and Wade Davis, this staff is deep, and youngsters Jeremy Hellickson, Alex Cobb and Matt Moore are only improving.

TORONTO BLUE JAYS

The Blue Jays proved this winter how they think the 20th anniversary of Joe Carter's World Series-clinching homer in 1993 should be celebrated — with their first trip back to the playoffs since that dramatic win.

GM Alex Anthopoulos went on a trading spree, unloading spare parts and prospects for Dickey, the NL Cy Young Award winner, Reyes, All-Star game MVP Melky Cabrera and former aces Josh Johnson and Mark Buehrle.

The dynamic Reyes and Cabrera, returning from a 50-game suspension, should set the table for Jose Bautista and Edwin Encarnacion.

NEW YORK YANKEES

The aging Yankees came into camp in poor health and things quickly got worse. They'll start the season with Curtis Granderson, Mark Teixeira, Alex Rodriguez, Derek Jeter and Phil Hughes on the disabled list.

New York will count on spare parts such as Vernon Wells, Lyle Overbay and Brennan Boesch, oft-injured Travis Hafner and Kevin Youkilis to keep Brett Gardner and Ichiro Suzuki zipping around the bases until the big hitters return.

But a pitching staff led by CC Sabathia, who's coming back from offseason elbow surgery, and closer Mariano Rivera, returning from a torn ACL, could help this club to their 18th trip to the postseason in 19 years.

BOSTON RED SOX

The one-year experiment with Bobby Valentine was a bust, Boston turned to its old pitching coach John Farrell to guide the club out of last place (69-93).

The Red Sox brought in Ryan Dempster. They need Jon Lester and Clay Buchholz to return to form, and John Lackey to be effective after missing last season because of elbow surgery.

Boston was beset by injuries last year. A full season from Jacoby Ellsbury — not to mention another MVP-caliber season like he had in 2011 — would go a long way to helping an offense that could be without David Ortiz (heels) for a time at the start of the season.

BALTIMORE ORIOLES

The Orioles made a stunning turnaround last season, going from a team that lost 93 games to winning a wild-card spot with a 93-69 record — Baltimore's first winning season in 15 years.

And they did it with exuberance, racking up wins in 16 straight extra-inning games and going 29-9 in one-run games, taking the Yankees to a fifth game in the division series. The luck could run out, though, in the rugged East.

Jim Johnson's 51 saves were a big reason why the Orioles won so many close ones. Can he repeat the performance in his second year as a full-time closer?



Miguel Cabrera

The Tigers feel they have some unfinished business to take care of after being so handily swept by the San Francisco Giants, and the only thing that could keep them from a return trip to the World Series is their bullpen.

Improving a lineup anchored by Triple Crown winner Cabrera and Fielder sounds difficult, but Detroit did it. Martinez is back from the disabled list and Torii Hunter is here to provide a potent lineup with even more punch.

Justin Verlander leads a solid rotation with Max Scherzer and late-season addition Anibal Sanchez. But who will close after Jose Valverde's meltdown in the playoffs?

CHICAGO WHITE SOX

The White Sox made a surprising run under first-year manager Robin Ventura, leading the division into September before fading. They've locked up Sale with a five-year, \$32.5 million contract, re-signed a rejuvenated Jake Peavy and brought in Jeff Keppinger to help boost a league-worst .221 average in the No. 2 hole.

KANSAS CITY ROYALS

Trading away their top prospect, outfielder Wil Myers, for pitchers James Shields and Wade Davis was a big gamble for the Royals to make. But along with Ervin Santana, the three are being counted on to turn around the Royals biggest problem area: starting pitching.

If Mike Moustakas, Eric Hosmer and Jeff Francoeur can rebound at the plate, then the Royals could surprise some people and end streak of nine straight losing seasons.

CLEVELAND INDIANS

The Indians spent money this winter, all right. Will it help? Hard to say.

No matter how many runs Nick Swisher, Michael Bourn, Drew Stubbs and Mark Reynolds produce for new manager Terry Francona, the starting rotation is still a problem.

MINNESOTA TWINS

Joe Mauer and Justin Morneau appear to be at full health, but the Twins appear headed for a third straight last-place finish in the Central because their rotation is such a question mark with newcomer Mike Pelfrey coming off Tommy John surgery, Scott Diamond still rehabbing after minor arm surgery and Kevin Correia getting hit hard this spring.

WEST

TEXAS RANGERS

After an embarrassing collapse in the final week of the season and a loss in the wild-card game, the Rangers irked some fans. They didn't open their wallet to keep Hamilton or Mike Napoli and traded the team's career hits leader, Michael Young, to the Phillies.

There's no panic in Texas, though, and rightly so. The Rangers' lineup is still formidable, with MVP candidate Adrian Beltre, Ian Kinsler and Nelson Cruz.

Texas might not be able to match the Angels run for run, but it will outpitch Los Angeles. Matt Harrison and Yu Darvish, with 16 wins as a major league rookie last year, lead a deep rotation. Joe Nathan returned to form as the closer.

LOS ANGELES ANGELS

Fans will be sticking to their seats when the hitters are taking their hacks, but when Jered Weaver's not on the mound the concession lines could get a little long.

Weaver's an ace and C.J. Wilson can be a formidable No. 2, although he had an up-and-down first season in California. After that, who knows?

OAKLAND ATHLETICS

The A's rode a young pitching staff — five rookies at times after Bartolo Colon was suspended for 50 games for a drug violation — and the surprising performances by players such as Brandon Moss and Josh Donaldson to the West title.

For Oakland to pull off another stunner in this division, it's going to need ace-in-the-making Brett Anderson to remain healthy and the veteran Colon to help bolster the young staff.

SEATTLE MARINERS

Step one in the Mariners' long-term health is taken care of: they locked up 2010 Cy Young Award winner Felix Hernandez with a \$175 million, seven-year contract. Now, they need everything else to follow.

Seattle improved one of baseball's worst offenses by bringing in Kendrys Morales, Michael Morse, Jason Bay and Raul Ibanez.

HOUSTON ASTROS

The inexperienced, overmatched Astros are going to be fodder for the big bats at the top of the division. Still, GM Jeff Luhnow has the team headed in a better direction.

This season, though, Houston could become the first team since the New York Mets from 1962-65 to lose at least 100 games for three straight years.

NATIONAL LEAGUE PREVIEW

Challengers gear up to take down Giants

With ace pitcher Stephen Strasburg set to go an entire season, are the Washington Nationals the team to beat in the National League?

Associated Press

by a career-threatening arm injury. No Rafael Furcal, either. He went down with a season-ending elbow injury during spring training. And starting pitcher Kyle Lohse left in free agency.

While St. Louis had a rough offseason, there are reasons for hope. Sluggers Matt Holliday, Allen Craig and Carlos Beltran remain a part of a dangerous lineup, and bright young arms Trevor Rosenthal, Shelby Miller and Joe Kelly could have an impact in the rotation and bullpen.

PITTSBURGH PIRATES

Andrew McCutchen is coming off a breakthrough performance, and the pressure is on to come up with an appropriate sequel in 2013.

The All-Star center fielder hit .327 with 31 homers and 96 RBIs last year, helping Pittsburgh contend for much of the summer before another late fade sent the Pirates to their 20th straight losing season.

The big offseason acquisition was All-Star catcher Russell Martin, who signed a \$17 million, two-year deal as a free agent. Closer Joel Hanrahan was traded to Boston, leaving journeyman Jason Grilli to pick up the slack.

MILWAUKEE BREWERS

Milwaukee got off to a terrible start last year, then closed with a 27-13 push that nearly got the team back into the playoffs.

The prolific lineup that produced an NL-best 776 runs returns largely intact, with speed in Carlos Gomez and Norichika Aoki and power in Corey Hart and Aramis Ramirez. Then there is Ryan Braun, who can do it all.

But the biggest problem for Milwaukee could be the rotation beyond Yovani Gallardo, which is largely unproven. It got a boost late in spring training when Lohse agreed to a \$33 million, three-year contract.

CHICAGO CUBS

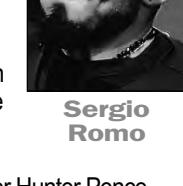
The Cubs are encouraged by the progress of prospects Albert Almora, Jorge Soler and Javier Baez. And that's going to have to be enough for now, because the rebuilding project under Theo Epstein is still at least a year away.

Edwin Jackson signed with Chicago for a \$52 million, four-year contract, providing a workhorse for the rotation. But right-hander Matt Garza will miss the start of the season with an injured muscle in his side. The rebuilding process could get a boost if Garza, closer Carlos Marmol and outfielder Alfonso Soriano play well, making them attractive targets for teams ready to win right now.

WEST

SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS

Romo was one of the breakout stars in San Francisco's title run last year. The animated right-hander was 1-0 with a sparkling 0.84 ERA in 10 playoff games, collecting four saves in four opportunities.



Sergio Romo

Now Romo begins the season as the closer, and it remains to be seen if he can handle the challenges of the role over the whole year.

Steady second baseman Marco Scutaro and outfielder Hunter Pence each came over in trades during San Francisco's run to the division title, and they're hoping for a repeat performance.

LOS ANGELES DODGERS

The Dodgers' feel-good spring was stymied by a double dose of bad news. First, Greinke was diagnosed with inflammation in the back of his right elbow. Then Hanley Ramirez hurt his right thumb in the World Baseball Classic and was expected to be sidelined for eight weeks.

Carl Crawford is on his way back following left elbow surgery, and Matt Kemp appears to be ready to go following October surgery on his left shoulder.

ARIZONA DIAMONDBACKS

One of the most uplifting scenes this spring was Brandon McCarthy back on the mound for the first time since he was struck by a liner up the middle last September.

He joins a strong rotation fronted by 15-game winner Ian Kennedy and right-hander Trevor Cahill.

The focus with the Diamondbacks is on the lineup, which is missing Justin Upton's potent bat after the trade with Atlanta.

COLORADO ROCKIES

The Rockies are pinning their hopes on a pair of shortstops.

Walt Weiss became the manager in November, replacing Jim Tracy. He inherits a club coming off a franchise-worst 64-98 season and a last-place finish in the NL West.

The most important shortstop in Colorado is Troy Tulowitzki, who was limited to 47 games last year due to a groin injury.

SAN DIEGO PADRES

Chase Headley appears to be the latest star on the road out of San Diego.

The third baseman had a career year last season, finishing with a .286 batting average, 31 homers and 115 RBIs. He avoided salary arbitration by agreeing to an \$8,575,000, one-year contract, but there is no indication that a long-term deal is coming.

CENTRAL

CINCINNATI REDS

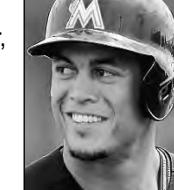
Joey Votto was still one tough out when he returned last season following left knee surgery. But his power was noticeably absent when the Reds were eliminated by the Giants in the first round of the playoffs.

Fast forward to this spring, when the 2010 NL MVP felt so good that he played for Canada in the World Baseball Classic.

Todd Frazier gets third base all to himself after hitting .273 with 19 homers, and shortstop Zack Cozart looks to improve on his .246 average from his rookie season.

ST. LOUIS CARDINALS

No more Chris Carpenter, who is sidelined



Giancarlo Stanton

with slinger Josh Hamilton, left, joining Albert Pujols and the Angels, Los Angeles has its sights set on the World Series.

Knicks whip Celtics

Shorthanded Heat win at San Antonio

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Carmelo Anthony had 24 points and 10 rebounds, and the New York Knicks extended their winning streak to eight games and moved closer to ending Boston's hold on the Atlantic Division title with a 108-89 victory over the Celtics on Sunday night.

The Knicks beat the Celtics for the second time this week and won the season series for the first time since 2003-04, when they also went 3-1 against Boston. New York climbed back into a tie with Indiana in the race for the No. 2 seed in the Eastern Conference, which would currently mean a playoff meeting with the Celtics.

Chris Copeland added 22 points and Raymond Felton had 18 for the Knicks, who last won eight in a row from Nov. 28 to Dec. 12, 2010. They will try to extend the streak Tuesday at Miami.

Jeff Green scored 27 points, and Paul Pierce had 24 points and 15 rebounds as the Celtics had a two-game winning streak snapped.



Associated Press

San Antonio's Tim Duncan is pressured Sunday by Miami's Chris Bosh, left, and Udonis Haslem during the first half in San Antonio. Playing without LeBron James and Dwyane Wade, the Heat won 88-86.

Heat 88, Spurs 86

SAN ANTONIO — Chris Bosh scored 23 points, including a game-winning 3-pointer with 1.9 seconds remaining, and the Miami Heat beat the San Antonio Spurs 88-86 with LeBron James and Dwyane Wade sitting out due to injuries.

Ray Allen had 14 points, Norris Cole added 13 and

Mike Miller 12 for Miami (58-15), which swept the season series with San Antonio (55-18). By earning the head-to-head tiebreaker with San Antonio, the Heat essentially have a four-game cushion with nine remaining for the league's best record and home-court advantage throughout the playoffs.

Tim Duncan had 17 points and 12 rebounds and Kawhi

Leonard added 17 points and 11 rebounds for the Spurs.

Bulls 95, Pistons 94

CHICAGO — Luol Deng scored 28 points, Jimmy Butler and Nate Robinson each added 16, and the Chicago Bulls beat Detroit 95-94 to extend their winning streak to 18 straight against the Pistons.

Rodney Stuckey scored 25 points and Greg Monroe

added 18 points for the Pistons, who have not beaten Chicago since Dec. 23, 2008.

The Bulls rallied from a 13-point deficit to tie the score 78-all with 9:27 remaining on Butler's dunk after a steal.

Robinson then fed Deng for a layup for an 80-78 lead.

Hornets 112, Cavaliers 92

NEW ORLEANS — Greivis

Vasquez scored 25 points and Ryan Anderson added 23 to lead the New Orleans Hornets to a 112-92 victory over the Cleveland Cavaliers.

Anthony Davis had 17 points and 10 rebounds, Brian Roberts scored 15 and Eric Gordon 14 for the Hornets, who snapped a two-game losing streak. Davis' double-double was his 17th, tops among NBA rookies.

Kyrie Irving returned from a shoulder injury and led the Cavaliers with 31 points and six assists. Cleveland, which lost its eighth straight, was 1-7 in Irving's absence.

Wizards 109, Raptors 92

WASHINGTON — Bradley Beal scored 24 points in his return to the lineup, leading the Washington Wizards to a 109-92 victory over the Toronto Raptors.

Emeka Okafor had 19 points and 10 rebounds, and John Wall added 18 points and 10 assists for Washington. The Wizards, who came in having lost two in a row on the road, won their seventh straight at home and moved into a tie with Toronto for 10th place in the Eastern Conference.

Jonas Valanciunas had 18 points and 10 rebounds to lead the Raptors, losers of six of their last seven. Toronto leading scorer Rudy Gay scored 11 points — about seven below his average — while being limited to 26 minutes due to foul trouble.

Louisville stuns Baylor in regional semifinals

Associated Press

OKLAHOMA CITY — Shoni Schimmel scored 22 points and Monique Reid hit two free throws with 2.6 seconds left to lift sixth-seeded Louisville to a stunning 82-81 upset of top-ranked, defending national champion Baylor on Sunday night in the regional semifinals of the NCAA women's tournament.

Odyssey Sims scored 29 points and hit a pair of free throws with 9.1 seconds left to give the Lady Bears (34-2) their only lead of the game.

Reid caught an inbounds pass near the baseline after that and went coast to coast before getting fouled by All-American Brittney Griner on her way to the basket.

Sims had one last chance to save Baylor's season after Reid's free throws but was off-target and late on a desperation heave.

The Lady Bears had been practically invincible for the past four months, winning 32 straight games mostly by double digits.

It was the end of a remarkable college career for Griner, a record-setting 6-foot-8 post player who ended up as the second-highest scoring player in NCAA history.

Griner, who had averaged 33 points in Baylor's first two games in the tournament, wound up with 14 points and 10 rebounds, making only four of her 10 shots.

Louisville (27-8) tied an NCAA record with 16 3-pointers to pull off the upset.

Oklahoma City regional

No. 2 Tennessee 74, No. 6 Oklahoma 59

OKLAHOMA CITY — Kamiko Williams scored 15 points, Cierre Burdick had 13 and second-seeded Tennessee routed Oklahoma 74-59 in the regional semifinals of the NCAA women's tournament.

The Lady Vols (27-7) opened a 20-point lead in the first half and never let Oklahoma make a comeback, improving to 26-5 in regional semifinals.

Tennessee will face No. 5 seed Louisville Tuesday night in the round of eight. The Lady Vols have lost in the regional finals the past two seasons and



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Louisville guard Shoni Schimmel, left, and guard Antonita Slaughter, top, pressure Baylor guard Jordan Madden on Sunday as she looks for a teammate to pass to in a regional semifinal game in the women's NCAA tournament in Oklahoma City. Louisville stunned the defending champion Bears 82-81.

haven't made it to the Final Four since winning the national title in 2008.

Sharane Campbell scored 22 points and Joanna McFarland had 14 for No. 6 seed Oklahoma (24-11), which got an upset to make it to the round of 16, but couldn't capitalize on a friendly home environment in the Oklahoma City regional. McFarland also matched her career best with 16 rebounds.

Norfolk regional

No. 1 N. Dame 93, No. 12 Kansas 63

NORFOLK, Va. — Skylar Diggins scored 22 of her 27 points by halftime and became the school's career scoring leader, helping the top-seeded Fighting Irish to a 93-63 victory against Kansas in the semifinals of the Norfolk Regional.

And Diggins made it look easy, adding nine assists and three steals, and scoring nine straight during a 16-2 first-half run that put the Irish (34-1) ahead to stay.

The victory was the 29th in a row for Notre Dame, and left the Irish one victory shy of a third consecutive trip to the Final Four.

Carolyn Davis led the upset Jayhawks (20-14) with 25 points on 11-for-17 shooting.

No. 2 Duke 53, No. 6 Nebraska 45

NORFOLK, Va. — Tricia Liston scored 17 points and Duke shook off a slow start to beat Nebraska 53-45 in the semifinals of the Norfolk Regional of the women's NCAA tournament.

Alexis Jones added 14 points for the Blue Devils (33-2). They advanced to Tuesday night's game against top-seeded Notre Dame with a berth in the Final Four on the line.

Lindsey Moore led the Cornhuskers (25-9) with 11 points.

Saturday late game

Spokane regional

No. 2 California 73, No. 6 LSU 63

SPOKANE, Wash. — Layshia Clarendon scored 19 points to lead California to a 73-63 victory over LSU on Saturday, sending the Bears to the round of eight for the first time in program history.

Gennifer Brandon had 17 points and 13 rebounds, and Brittany Boyd added 14 points for second-seeded Cal (31-3).

Theresa Plaisance had 15 points and 12 rebounds for sixth-seeded LSU (22-12).

Chicago crushes Detroit

Associated Press

DETROIT — Brandon Saad had two goals and an assist and Dave Bolland scored twice in the Chicago Blackhawks 7-1 win over the Detroit Red Wings on Sunday.

Jonathan Toews added a goal and two assists and Jeremy Morin and Nick Leddy also scored for Chicago. Cory Crawford made 33 saves.

Chicago led 3-0 at the end of the first period after scoring on its first three shots in a 1:39 span in the game's first four-and-a-half minutes.

Flyers 5, Capitals 4, OT

PHILADELPHIA — Ruslan Fedotenko scored 1:34 into overtime after Kimmo Timonen got the tying goal with 9.5 seconds left in regulation and the Philadelphia Flyers beat the Washington Capitals 5-4.

Maxime Talbot, Matt Read and Claude Giroux also scored for the Flyers, who moved within two points of the idle New York Rangers and New York Islanders for the final playoff spot in the Eastern Conference.

The Capitals are a point ahead of Philadelphia in a jumbled East.

Kings 3, Stars 2

DALLAS — Brad Richardson and Justin Williams scored third-period goals just over a minute apart to help lift the Los Angeles Kings to a 3-2 victory over the Dallas Stars.

Jeff Carter also scored his 20th goal of the season for Los Angeles, which has lost just once in regulation in Dallas in its last 14 visits (11-1-2) and outshot the Stars 40-15.

Jonathan Bernier needed to make just 15 saves for the Kings.

Jamie Benn and Ray Whitney scored for Dallas.

Crosby out indefinitely with broken jaw

PITTSBURGH — The Pittsburgh Penguins said Sidney Crosby has a broken jaw and is out indefinitely after being hit in the mouth with a puck in a win against the New York Islanders.

The Penguins said on the team website Sunday that Crosby had surgery Saturday night, and there will be an update on his status later in the week.

Crosby, the NHL's leading scorer, was struck in the face with a puck in the first period of the Penguins' 2-0 win on Saturday.

Blue Jackets 2, Ducks 1, OT

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Mark Letestu set up the only goal in regulation and scored the game-winner in overtime, and Sergei Bobrovsky stopped 29 of 30 shots to lead the Columbus Blue Jackets to a 2-1 win over the Anaheim Ducks.

Emerson Etem had the only goal for the Pacific Division-leading Ducks.

Bruins 2, Sabres 0

BUFFALO, N.Y. — David Krejci and Nathan Horton scored goals less than three minutes apart in the third period, and Anton Khudobin stopped 26 shots in leading the Boston Bruins to a 2-0 win over the Buffalo Sabres.

Khudobin earned the second shutout of his career, while the Bruins improved to 2-5 in their last seven road games.

The Bruins (22-8-4) closed to within a point of Northeast Division-leading Montreal.

Buffalo (13-17-6) fell into 13th place in the Eastern Conference standings.

Murray rallies past Ferrer

Associated Press

KEY BISCAYNE — Andy Murray erased a championship point Sunday and rallied past David Ferrer 2-6, 6-4, 7-6 (1) in a grueling, dramatic final at the Sony Open.

One point from defeat in the last set, Murray skipped a forehand off the baseline to stay in the match. He then dominated the tiebreaker, while Ferrer appeared to cramp and collapsed to the court after one long exchange.

The match was filled with grinding baseline rallies, including at least a dozen of more than 20 strokes and one lasting 34. Murray and Ferrer dueled for 2 hours, 45 minutes.

Murray became the first Key Biscayne men's champion to save a championship point.

"Both of us fought as hard as we could, both struggling physically at the end," Murray said. "I just managed to come



Associated Press

Andy Murray holds up his trophy Sunday after defeating David Ferrer 2-6, 6-4, 7-6 (1) in the final of the Sony Open in Key Biscayne.

through."

Murray also won the title in 2009. His path to this year's championship was made easier because Roger Federer and Rafael Nadal skipped the tournament and Novak Djokovic lost in the fourth round.

Murray will now move ahead of Federer to No. 2 in the rankings behind Djokovic.

The No. 3-seeded Ferrer, who was seeking the biggest title of his career, fell to 0-13 against top-five players in finals.

BASKETBALL**NBA standings**

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

| | W | L | Pct | GB |
|--------------|----|----|------|-----|
| x-New York | 46 | 26 | .639 | — |
| x-Brooklyn | 42 | 31 | .575 | 4% |
| Boston | 38 | 35 | .521 | 8% |
| Philadelphia | 30 | 43 | .411 | 16% |
| Toronto | 27 | 46 | .370 | 19% |

Southeast Division

| | W | L | Pct | GB |
|------------|----|----|------|-----|
| z-Miami | 58 | 15 | .795 | — |
| x-Atlanta | 41 | 33 | .554 | 17% |
| Washington | 27 | 46 | .370 | 31 |
| Orlando | 19 | 55 | .257 | 39% |
| Charlotte | 17 | 56 | .233 | 41 |

Central Division

| | W | L | Pct | GB |
|-----------|----|----|------|----|
| x-Indiana | 47 | 27 | .635 | — |
| x-Chicago | 40 | 32 | .556 | 6 |
| Milwaukee | 35 | 37 | .486 | 11 |
| Detroit | 24 | 50 | .324 | 23 |
| Cleveland | 22 | 50 | .306 | 24 |

WESTERN CONFERENCE

| | W | L | Pct | GB |
|---------------|----|----|------|-----|
| x-San Antonio | 55 | 18 | .753 | — |
| x-Memphis | 49 | 24 | .671 | 6 |
| Houston | 40 | 33 | .548 | 15 |
| Dallas | 36 | 37 | .493 | 19 |
| New Orleans | 26 | 48 | .351 | 29% |

Northwest Division

| | W | L | Pct | GB |
|-----------------|----|----|------|-----|
| x-Oklahoma City | 54 | 20 | .730 | — |
| x-Denver | 50 | 24 | .676 | 4 |
| Utah | 38 | 36 | .514 | 16 |
| Portland | 33 | 40 | .452 | 20% |
| Minnesota | 26 | 46 | .361 | 27 |

Pacific Division

| | W | L | Pct | GB |
|-----------------|----|----|------|----|
| x-L.A. Clippers | 49 | 25 | .662 | — |
| Golden State | 42 | 32 | .568 | 7 |
| L.A. Lakers | 38 | 36 | .514 | 11 |
| Sacramento | 27 | 47 | .365 | 22 |
| Phoenix | 23 | 51 | .311 | 26 |

x-clinched playoff spot

z-clinched conference

Saturday's Games

Dallas 100, Chicago 98

Atlanta 97, Orlando 88

Houston 98, L.A. Clippers 81

Memphis 99, Minnesota 86

Philadelphia 100, Charlotte 92

Oklahoma City 109, Milwaukee 99

Utah 116, Brooklyn 107

Indiana 112, Phoenix 104

L.A. Lakers 103, Sacramento 98

Golden State 125, Portland 98

Sunday's Games

New Orleans 112, Cleveland 92

Washington 109, Toronto 92

Chicago 95, Detroit 94

Miami 88, San Antonio 86

New York 108, Boston 89

Today's Games

Detroit at Toronto, 7 p.m.

Cleveland at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.

Orlando at Houston, 8 p.m.

San Antonio at Memphis, 8 p.m.

Boston at Minnesota, 8 p.m.

Charlotte at Milwaukee, 8 p.m.

Portland at Utah, 9 p.m.

Indiana at L.A. Clippers, 10:30 p.m.

Tuesday's Games

Chicago at Washington, 7 p.m.

New York at Miami, 8 p.m.

Dallas at L.A. Lakers, 10:30 p.m.

HOCKEY

NHL standings

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

| | GP | W | L | OT | Pts | GF | GA |
|----------------|----|----|----|----|-------|-----|-----|
| Pittsburgh | 36 | 28 | 8 | 0 | 56123 | 84 | |
| New Jersey | 35 | 15 | 11 | 9 | 39 | 88 | 97 |
| N.Y. Rangers | 34 | 16 | 15 | 3 | 35 | 78 | 84 |
| N.Y. Islanders | 35 | 16 | 16 | 3 | 35 | 100 | 112 |
| Philadelphia | 35 | 15 | 17 | 3 | 33 | 95 | 108 |

Northeast Division

| | GP | W | L | OT | Pts | GF | GA |
|----------|----|----|----|----|-------|-----|-----|
| Montreal | 34 | 22 | 7 | 5 | 49107 | 83 | |
| Boston | 34 | 22 | 8 | 4 | 48 | 97 | 75 |
| Ottawa | 35 | 19 | 10 | 6 | 44 | 89 | 76 |
| Toronto | 36 | 20 | 12 | 4 | 44122 | 100 | |
| Buffalo | 36 | 13 | 17 | 6 | 32 | 94 | 113 |

Southeast Division

| | GP | W | L | OT | Pts | GF | GA |
|------------|----|----|----|----|-----|-----|-----|
| Winnipeg | 36 | 18 | 16 | 2 | 38 | 89 | 106 |
| Carolina | 33 | 16 | 15 | 2 | 34 | 92 | 97 |
| Washington | 35 | 16 | 17 | 2 | 34 | 102 | 100 |
| Tampa Bay | 34 | 15 | 18 | 1 | 31 | 110 | 103 |
| Florida | 36 | 11 | 19 | 6 | 28 | 88 | 125 |

WESTERN CONFERENCE

| | GP | W | L | OT | Pts | GF | GA |
|------------------|----|----|----|----|-------|----|----|
| Central Division | 34 | 26 | 5 | 3 | 55116 | 74 | |
| Chicago | 35 | 17 | 13 | 5 | 39 | 91 | 92 |
| Detroit | 35 | 17 | 13 | 5 | 39 | 91 | 92 |
| Columbus | 36 | 15 | 14 | 7 | 37 | 87 | 97 |
| St. Louis | 33 | 17 | 14 | 2 | 36 | 94 | 93 |
| Nashville | 35 | 14 | 14 | 7 | 35 | 87 | 96 |

Northwest Division

| | GP | W | L | OT | Pts | GF | GA |
|-----------|----|----|----|----|-----|----|----|
| Minnesota | 34 | 21 | 11 | 2 | 44 | 97 | 86 |
| Vancouver | 35 | | | | | | |

ENTERTAINMENT

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CITRUS COUNTY CHRONICLE

Spotlight on PEOPLE

Study portrays Bard as ruthless businessman

LONDON — New research depicts William Shakespeare as a grain hoarder, money-lender and tax dodger who became a wealthy businessman during a time of famine.

Academics from Aberystwyth University in Wales combed through historical archives to uncover details of the playwright's parallel life as a merchant and property owner whose practices sometimes brought him into conflict with the law.

He was pursued by authorities for tax evasion, and in 1598 he was prosecuted for hoarding grain during a time of shortage.

The academics argue we can't fully understand Shakespeare unless we study his business-savvy side and the era of hunger in which he lived.

Researcher Jayne Archer said Sunday that those aspects are overlooked because many people "cannot countenance the idea of a creative genius also being motivated by self-interest."

Malibu homeowners, celebs struggle with beach-saving plan

MALIBU, Calif. — Malibu's celebrity haven of Broad Beach is struggling to survive as nature chews away at the shoreline and a \$20 million effort to replace sand appears to be stuck in the mud.

Homeowners have run up against opposition and complicated approval processes as they pursue a plan to dredge sand from elsewhere and dump it to restore the 1.1-mile beachfront, the *Los Angeles Times* reported.

In recent years, winter storms and rising high tides have reduced the formerly broad beach, where Steven Spielberg, Dustin Hoffman and others have their beach houses.

Waves sometimes lap up to an 8-foot-high 4,100-foot-long emergency rock wall that state regulators allowed homeowners to build about three years ago to protect dozens of multi-million-dollar homes.

"The (wall) is perilously close to certain homes," said Kenneth A. Ehrlich, an attorney for the homeowners. "The homes are certainly in danger. ... There's no beach right now that anyone can enjoy."

Steve Levitan, co-creator of the TV series "Modern Family," recalled taking family strolls on the beach but said he now plans walks to avoid high tide.

With the reduced footage, "surfers can't get out to the good surf spots, and the homeowners can't get there, either," he said. Residents are proposing a \$20 million project to dredge tons of sand and transplant it to restore the dunes and shoreline, both public and private.

Manhattan Beach blocked plans to use its sand, and residents now are considering using sea-bottom sand from Dockweiler Beach in Los Angeles.

However, the Los Angeles County Department of Beaches and Harbors has objected, saying the sand might be needed to restore other public beaches as sea levels rise.

For years, Broad Beach was the subject of feuding between homeowners and the public over access. At one point, security guards were hired to patrol the beach, and sunbathers contended they were harassed.

In 2005, 108 property owners took tons of sand from the public beach and packed it up into a berm on their property. The work was ordered halted by the California Coastal Commission.

—From wire reports



Associated Press

Caroline Kennedy flips through her new book "Poems to Learn by Heart" Tuesday during an interview with The Associated Press in New York.

A return to poetry

Caroline Kennedy's latest book a collection for kids

Associated Press

BEGINNING work a few years ago on her latest book, an anthology of poems for young people, Caroline Kennedy found herself looking through one of her mother's scrapbooks. She burst into laughter, she says, as she came across a poem that her brother John, as a youngster, had picked out and copied as a gift to their poetry-loving mom.

"Willie with a thirst for gore, Nailed his sister to the door," went the poem, by an unknown author. "Mother said with humor quaint, 'Careful, Willie, don't scratch the paint!'"

The poem "brought back memories of our relationship," Kennedy told a bookstore audience this week. "I laughed so hard."

But for Kennedy, now 55 and a mother of three grown children, there's a deeper meaning to that irreverent ditty. Poetry was a central part of her home life growing up. She and John regularly copied out and illustrated poems for their mother, Jackie, upon birthdays and Mother's Days. Sometimes, they'd recite them too, "if we were feeling competitive." And at family gatherings with their grandmother, there were frequent challenges to recite Henry Wadsworth Longfellow's famous (and famously lengthy) "Paul Revere's Ride." Only Uncle Ted, it seems, was able to recite it in its entirety.

Fourteen percent of American adults can't read. It's a slow-motion disaster. Kids need a way in, and reading needs to be fun.

Caroline Kennedy
on why she chose poetry for her latest book.

Now, with her 10th book, Kennedy wants to share with young readers the love for the written word that she feels her poetry-filled childhood helped instill in her (even though her own son, she quips, hates reading and only likes two poems.) Hence the title: "Poems to Learn By Heart."

"It was a combination of remembering my own childhood and thinking about gifts I'd been given," she said in an interview last week at her husband's downtown Manhattan design firm, explaining the genesis of the latest book.

"And working in schools and seeing the role that poetry can play in kids' lives."

It's also an effort to promote literacy, a cause Kennedy has supported in a number of ways. "Fourteen percent of American adults can't read," Kennedy says.

"It's a slow-motion disaster."

She believes poetry can help. "Kids need a way in,"

she says, "and reading needs to be fun. Poetry can give

them that — with the cur-

rent emphasis on poetry

slams, and these other open

mic events. That's actually

why I think poetry has a chance."

Another pet project: Libraries, which she says are still critical places for young people to learn analytical skills. She's the honorary chair of National Library Week next month.

"I'm into things that are dying out," she quips, then adds that actually they're not: "My son goes to the library all the time (at college.) There's a lot more socializing at the library than you think."

Kennedy asked each of her own three kids — Rose and Tatiana, who have finished college, and Jack, who is still there — to contribute a favorite poem to her new book. (Tatiana, the "bookworm" according to her mother, translated a poem from Ovid's Metamorphoses, from the original Latin.) But she herself has trouble picking her favorite.

Asked by an audience member at her book reading to do just that, though, she settled on "Don't Worry if Your Job is Small."

"Don't worry if your job is small, and your rewards are few," it says.

"Remember that the mighty oak, was once a nut like you."

'G.I. Joe' commands No. 1 at box office

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — After a nine-month delay, "G.I. Joe: Retaliation" deployed to the top spot at the box office.

The action film starring Dwayne "The Rock" Johnson, Bruce Willis and Channing Tatum as the gun-toting military toys brought to life marched into the No. 1 position at the weekend box office, earning \$41.2 million, according to studio estimates Sunday.

"Retaliation" opened Wednesday at midnight, which helped bring its domestic total to \$51.7 million.

Paramount postponed



Associated Press

Ray Park, left, and Dwayne Johnson are pictured in a scene from "G.I. Joe: Retaliation."

the sequel to 2009's "G.I. Joe: Rise of Cobra" last May from its original June opening date to convert the film to 3-D. The last-minute switcheroo came just weeks after

"Battleship," another movie based on a Hasbro toy, sank at the box office.

At that time, Paramount already began its advertising campaign for "Retaliation."

"It certainly vindicates the decision," said

Don Harris, the studio's head of distribution. "Any time you make those sorts of moves, people always assume the worst. The truth is I'd seen this movie a long time ago in 2-D, and the movie worked in 2-D. It's not trying to be 'Schindler's List.' This movie is intended to be enjoyed as a big, action spectacle."

After debuting in the top spot last weekend, the 3-D animated prehistoric comedy "The Croods" from DreamWorks Animation and 20th Century Fox slipped to the No. 2 spot with \$26.5 million in its second weekend.

Florida LOTTERIES

SO YOU KNOW

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

SATURDAY, MARCH 30

Powerball: 11 – 23 – 26 – 46 – 55

Powerball: 27

5-of-5 PB 1 winner \$40 million

No Florida winner

5-of-5 2 winners \$1 million

No Florida winners

Lotto: 4 – 9 – 13 – 40 – 41 – 50

6-of-6 1 winner \$16 million

5-of-6 34 \$5,360

4-of-6 1,961 \$77.50

3-of-6 41,310 \$5

Fantasy 5: 3 – 29 – 31 – 32 – 34

5-of-5 1 winners \$280,949.59

4-of-5 346 \$130.50

3-of-5 11,193 \$11

FRIDAY, MARCH 29

Mega Money: 12 – 30 – 39 – 44

Mega Ball: 10

4-of-4 MB 1 winner \$500,000

4-of-4 5 \$1,440

Fantasy 5: 10 – 26 – 27 – 29 – 36

5-of-5 2 winners \$118,738.52

INSIDE THE NUMBERS

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

Today in HISTORY

Today is Monday, April 1, the 91st day of 2013. There are 274 days left in the year. This is April Fool's Day.

Today's Highlight:

On April 1, 1789, the U.S. House of Representatives held its first full meeting in New York; Frederick Muhlenberg of Pennsylvania was elected the first House speaker.

On this date:

In 1853, Cincinnati, Ohio, established a fire department made up of paid city employees.

In 1933, Nazi Germany staged a daylong national boycott of Jewish-owned businesses.

In 1939, the United States recognized the government of Gen. Francisco Franco in Spain, the same day Franco went on radio to declare victory in the Spanish Civil War.

In 1945, American forces launched the amphibious invasion of Okinawa during World War II.

In 1963, New York City's daily newspapers resumed publishing after settlement was reached in a 114-day strike. The daytime drama "General Hospital" premiered on ABC-TV.

In 1972, the first Major League Baseball players' strike began; it lasted 12 days.

In 1976, Apple Computer was founded by Steve Jobs, Steve Wozniak and Ronald Wayne.

In 1984, recording star Marvin Gaye was shot to death by his father, Marvin Gay Sr. in Los Angeles, the day before his 45th birthday. (The elder Gay pleaded guilty to voluntary manslaughter, and received probation.)

In 1992, the National Hockey League Players' Association went on its first-ever strike, which lasted 10 days.

Ten years ago: American troops entered a hospital in Nasiriyah, Iraq, and rescued Army Pfc. Jessica Lynch, who'd been held prisoner since her unit was ambushed on March 23.

Five years ago: The Pentagon made public a legal memo dated March 14, 2003 that approved the use of harsh interrogation techniques against terror suspects, saying that President George W. Bush's wartime authority trumped any international ban on torture. (The memo was rescinded in December 2003.)

• Top executives of the country's five biggest oil companies told a skeptical Congress they knew record fuel prices were hurting people, but argued it wasn't their fault and that their huge profits were in line with other industries.

One year ago: A coalition of more than 70 partners, including the United States, pledged to send millions of dollars and communications equipment to Syria's opposition groups.

Today's birthday: Actress Jane Powell is 85. Actress Ali MacGraw is 75. Rhythm-and-blues singer Rudolph Isley is 74. Reggae singer Jimmy Cliff is 65. Supreme Court Justice Samuel Alito is 63. Director Barry Sonnenfeld is 60.

Thought for Today: "A caval donato non si guarda in bocca." (Don't look a gift horse in the mouth.) — Italian proverb.

Today's HOROSCOPE

Birthday — A number of benefits could come your way in the year ahead, through contacts in large organizations, groups or clubs. Circulate in places

where you have a chance to cultivate new friends.

Aries (March 21-April 19) — Your creativity is sky-rocketing, so take advantage of it. Your ideas will be successful, as long as you follow through on them.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) — Don't despair if your recent schemes have yet to pan out. Check to make sure that you've done everything possible.

Gemini (May 21-June 20) — Intangible ideas could prove to be of greater value than things of a material nature. This will become very evident today.

Cancer (June 21-July 22) — Even if benefits are

presently coming your way without too much exertion on your part, imagine how much more could happen if

you put forth some effort.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) — It could be to your benefit to try to help others realize their hopes and expectations.

What would be beneficial for them could be of advantage to you as well.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — You're destined to accomplish something of significance that could produce more than a few benefits. However, it may not be apparent that a bonus is on its way — it is.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — This is a good day to once again analyze a problem that you've been unable to resolve. A number of solutions that previously eluded you could now become quite obvious.

Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — If an important enterprise in which you're involved has a dire need for

something you possess, do your best to deliver.

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MONDAY EVENING APRIL 1, 2013

| | C | B | D/I | F | H | 6:00 | 6:30 | 7:00 | 7:30 | 8:00 | 8:30 | 9:00 | 9:30 | 10:00 | 10:30 | 11:00 | 11:30 | | | |
|-------------|-----|-----|-----|----|----|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|---|--|---|---|---|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|--|--|
| 2 WESH NBC | 19 | | 19 | | | News | News | Ent | Access | The Voice | More vocalists audition. | (N) PG | Revolution (N) '14' | News | Jay Leno | | | | | |
| 3 WEDU PBS | 3 | 3 | | 14 | 6 | World News | Nightly Business | PBS NewsHour (N) (In Stereo) | Antiques Roadshow | Kind Hearted Woman | Single mother and children. | (N) 'Cincinnati' | (N) '14' | To Be Announced | | | | | | |
| 5 WUFT PBS | 5 | | 5 | 5 | 41 | Capitol Business | PBS NewsHour (N) | Antiques Roadshow | Kind Hearted Woman | (N) '14' | | | | | | | | | | |
| 8 WFLA NBC | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | News | Nightly News | NewsChannel 8 | The Voice "The Blind Auditions Continued" | More vocalists audition. | (N) PG | '14' | Revolution "Ghosts" (N) | News | Jay Leno | | | | | |
| 9 WFTV ABC | 20 | 20 | 20 | | | News | World News | Jeopardy! (N) 'G' | Wheel of Fortune | Dancing With the Stars (N) (In Stereo Live) | | | Castle "The Lives of Others" (N) PG | Eyewitness News | Jimmy Kimmel | | | | | |
| 10 WTSP CBS | 10 | 10 | 10 | 10 | 10 | 10 News, 6pm (N) | Evening News | Wheel of Fortune | Jeopardy! (N) 'G' | How I Met | Engagement | 2 Broke Girls '14' | Mike & Molly '14' | Hawaii Five-0 "Ohuna" '14' | 10 News, 11pm (N) | Letterman | | | | |
| 13 WTVT FOX | 13 | 13 | | 13 | 13 | FOX13 6:00 News (N) (In Stereo) | TMZ (N) PG | omg! Insider 'PG' | Bones | ATV producer is murdered. | (N) '14' | The Following (N) '14' (DVS) | FOX13 10:00 News (N) (In Stereo) | News | Access Hollyw'd | | | | | |
| 20 WCJB ABC | 11 | | 11 | 4 | | News | ABC | Ent | Inside Ed. | Dancing With the Stars (N) | 'PG' | 'PG' | Castle (N) 'PG' | News | J. Kimmel | | | | | |
| 22 WCLF IND | 2 | 2 | 2 | 22 | 22 | Christian Fitness | Today | Z. Levitt Presents | Great Awakening | Lova a Child 'G' | Place for Miracles | A. Wommack | Jewels | Life Today | Jentzen Franklin | Great Awaken | | | | |
| 28 WFTS ABC | | 11 | | 11 | 11 | News | World News | The List (N) PG | Let's Ask America | Dancing With the Stars (N) (In Stereo Live) | | | Castle "The Lives of Others" (N) PG | News | Jimmy Kimmel | | | | | |
| 32 WMOR IND | 12 | 12 | | | 16 | Family Guy '14' | Family Guy '14' | Big Bang Theory | Big Bang Theory | Law & Order: Criminal Intent '14' | 'PG' | 'PG' | 'PG' | 'PG' | The Office '14' | The Office 'PG' | | | | |
| 33 WTTA MNT | 6 | 6 | 6 | 9 | 9 | Raymond | Seinfeld | FamFeud | FamFeud | Law & Order: SVU | 'SVU' | Seinfeld | Scrubs | Baggage | Excused | | | | | |
| 40 WAXX TBN | 21 | | 21 | | | Studio | The 700 Club PG | Turning | Child | Give Me the Bible | Jentezen | Studio Direct | Healing | Paid | | | | | | |
| 44 WTOG CW | 4 | 4 | 4 | 12 | 12 | King of Queens | King of Queens | Two and Half Men | Engagement | The Carrie Diaries (N) | Hart of Dixie "Where I Lead Me" PG | Two and Half Men | Engagement | Friends PG | Friends '14' | | | | | |
| 47 WYKE FAM | 16 | 16 | 16 | | 15 | Chamber Chat | Citrus Today | County Court | Casita Big Dog | Auction Adv | Straight Talk Med | Moving On 'G' | Motorsports | Steel Dreams | Softball 360 | Planet X 'G' | | | | |
| 51 WOGX FOX | | 13 | 7 | 7 | | Simpsons | Simpsons | Big Bang | Big Bang | Bones (N) '14' | The Following '14' | Fox 35 News at 10 | TMZ PG | Access | | | | | | |
| 52 WVEA UNI | 15 | 15 | 15 | 15 | 14 | Noticias Notic | Corona de Lágrimas | Porque el Am. | Amores Verdaderos | Amor Bravo (N) '14' | Noticias Noticiero | Criminal Minds '14' | Criminal Minds '14' | Criminal Minds '14' | Criminal Minds '14' | | | | | |
| 66 WXPK ION | | 17 | | | | Criminal Minds '14' | Criminal Minds '14' | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| (AMC) | 55 | 64 | 55 | | | ** "A Knight's Tale" (2001, Adventure) Heath Ledger. PG-13 | | | | *** "The Last Samurai" (2003, Adventure) Tom Cruise, Ken Watanabe, Timothy Spall. A Westerner learns the ways of the samurai in the 1870s. R' | | | | "Md Max-Thndr" | | | | | | |
| (AND) | 52 | 35 | 52 | 19 | 21 | River Monsters: Unhooked PG | River Monsters: The Most Bizarre PG | | | River Monsters: Unhooked PG | River Monsters: Unhooked PG | River Monsters: Unhooked PG | River Monsters: Unhooked PG | River Monsters: Unhooked PG | River Monsters: Unhooked PG | River Monsters: Unhooked PG | River Monsters: Unhooked PG | River Monsters: Unhooked PG | | |
| (BET) | 96 | 19 | 96 | | | 106 & Park: BET's Top 10 Live "Top 10 Countdown" (N) PG | | | | * "Waist Deep" (2006) Tyrese Gibson. A man's son is inside his hijacked car. R' | "Doing Hard Time" (2004, Crime Drama) Boris Kodjoe, Michael K. Williams. R' | | | | | | | | | |
| (BRAVO) | 254 | 51 | 254 | | | Real Housewives | Real Housewives | | | Housewives/OC | Real Housewives | LA Shriks (N) '14' | Happens OC | | | | | | | |
| (CC) | 27 | 61 | 27 | | 33 | Always Tosh.0 '14' | Colbert Report | Daily Show | | Futurama '14' | Futurama '14' | Futurama '14' | Futurama '14' | South Park (South Park Daily Show) | Colbert Report | Cops Reloaded | Cops Reloaded | | | |
| (CMT) | 98 | 45 | 98 | 28 | 37 | Reba PG | Reba PG | Reba PG | | Reba PG | Reba PG | Reba PG | Reba PG | "The Karate Kid Part II" (1986, Drama) Ralph Macchio, Noriyuki "Pat" Morita. (In Stereo) PG | Cops Reloaded | Cops Reloaded | Cops Reloaded | | | |
| (CNBC) | 43 | 42 | 43 | | | Mad Money (N) | | | | The Kudlow Report | 60 Minutes on CNBC | Treasure Detectives | The Car Chasers | Mad Money | | | | | | |
| (CNN) | 40 | 29 | 40 | 41 | 46 | The Situation Room | Erin Burnett OutFront | Anderson Cooper | | Anderson Cooper | Piers Morgan Live | Anderson Cooper | Piers Morgan Live | Erin Burnett OutFront | | | | | | |
| (DISN) | 46 | 40 | 46 | 6 | 5 | Good-Charlie Jessie G | A.N.T. Farm 'G' | A.N.T. Farm 'G' | | *** "Geek Charming" (2011, Comedy) Sarah Hyland. (In Stereo) NR | Austin & Ally 'G' | Austin & Ally 'G' | Austin & Ally 'G' | Good-Charlie Jessie G | A.N.T. Farm 'G' | A.N.T. Farm 'G' | A.N.T. Farm 'G' | | | |
| (ESPN) | 33 | 27 | 33 | 21 | 17 | MLB Baseball | SportCr | Women's College Basketball | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| (FAM) | 29 | 52 | 29 | 20 | 28 | America's Funniest Home Videos PG | | Secret Life of the American Teenager | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (FLIX) | | 118 | 170 | | | ** "Cocktail" (1988, Romance) Tom Cruise, Bryan Brown. (In Stereo) R' | | | | ** "The Distinguished Gentleman" (1992) Eddie Murphy. (In Stereo) R' | ** "It's Pat" (1994) Julia Sweeney. (In Stereo) PG-13 | ** "It's Pat" (1994) Julia Sweeney. (In Stereo) PG-13 | ** "It's Pat" (1994) Julia Sweeney. (In Stereo) PG-13 | "8 Million Ways" | | | | | | |
| (FNC) | 44 | 37 | 44 | | 32 | Special Report | FOX Report | | | The O'Reilly Factor | Hannity (N) | Greta Van Susteren | The O'Reilly Factor | | | | | | | |
| (FOOD) | 26 | 56 | 26 | | | Diners Diners | Diners Diners | Diners Diners | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| (FX) | 30 | 60 | 30 | | 51 | How I Met | How I Met | Two and Half Men | | ** "Pineapple Express" (2008, Comedy) Seth Rogen, James Franco. A stoner flees after witnessing a murder. R' | ** "Pineapple Express" (2008, Comedy) Seth Rogen, James Franco. A stoner flees after witnessing a murder. R' | | | | | | | | | |
| (GOLF) | 727 | 67 | 727 | | | Golf Central (N) | The Golf Fix (N) | | | The Haney Project | The Haney Project | Feherty (N) | Golf Central | | | | | | | |
| (HALL) | 59 | 68 | 59 | 45 | 54 | Brady Bunch | Brady Bunch | Brady Bunch | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (HBO) | 302 | 201 | 302 | 2 | 2 | *** "The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel" (2011) Judi Dench. | Patti LuPone | Real Time With Bill Maher MA | | *** "The Five-Year Engagement" (2012) Jason Segel. (In Stereo) R' | *** "The Five-Year Engagement" (2012) Jason Segel. (In Stereo) R' | Game of Thrones (In Stereo) MA | Game of Thrones (In Stereo) MA | | | | | | | |
| (HBO2) | 303 | 202 | 303 | | | *** "Collateral" (2004) Tom Cruise. | Olivia Wilde. (In Stereo) PG-13 | | | Game of Thrones (In Stereo) MA | Game of Thrones (In Stereo) MA | *** "The Matrix" (1999, Science Fiction) Keanu Reeves. (In Stereo) R' | *** "The Matrix" (1999, Science Fiction) Keanu Reeves. (In Stereo) R' | | | | | | | |
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| (LMN) | | 50 | 119 | | | "Imaginary Playmate" (2006, Suspense) Dina Meyer. (In Stereo) NR | "Legend of Lucy Keyes" (2006, Suspense) Julie Delpy. (In Stereo) R' | | | ** "Still Small Voices" (2007, Suspense) Catherine Bell. (In Stereo) NR | ** "Still Small Voices" (2007, Suspense) Catherine Bell. (In Stereo) NR | | | | | | | | | |
| (MAX) | 320 | 221 | 320 | 3 | 3 | ** "Shaun of the Dead" (2004) Simon Pegg, R' | ** "The Thing" (2011) Mary Elizabeth Winstead. (In Stereo) R' | | | ** "The Thing" (2011, Horror) Mary Elizabeth Winstead. (In Stereo) R' | ** "The Thing" (2011, Horror) Mary Elizabeth Winstead. (In Stereo) R' | ** "Rambo: First Blood Part II" (1985) Sylvester Stallone. R' | ** "Rambo: First Blood Part II" (1985) Sylvester Stallone. R' | | | | | | | |
| (MSNBC) | 42 | 41 | 42 | | | PoliticsNation (N) | Hardball Matthews | The Ed Show (N) | | Rachel Maddow | The Last Word | The Ed Show | | | | | | | | |
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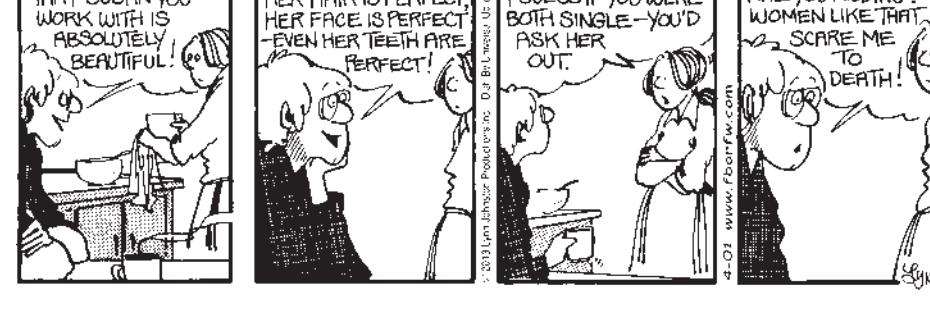
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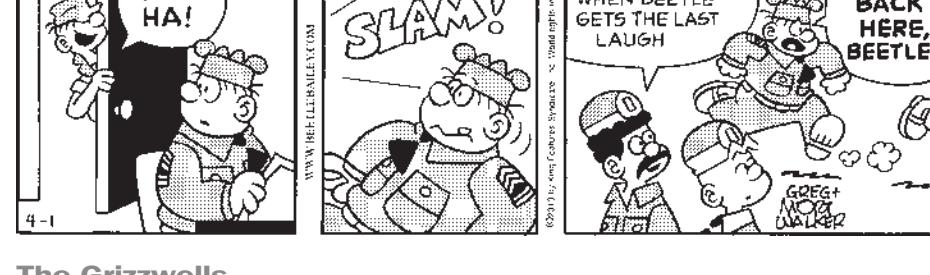
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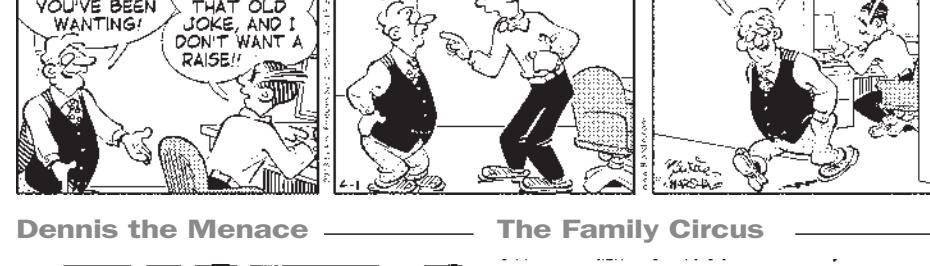
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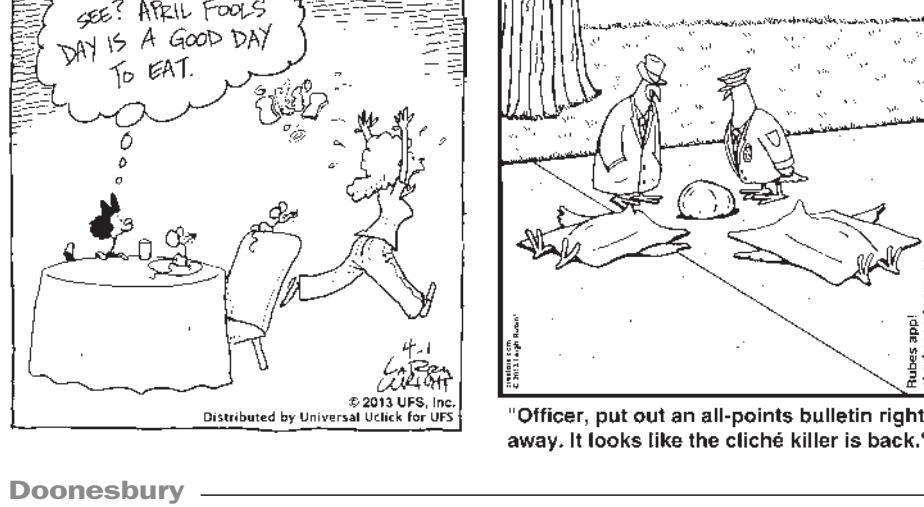
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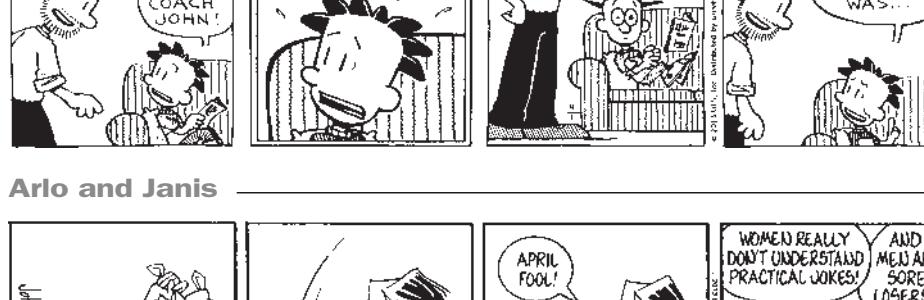
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by Luis Campos

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THMR LZZBI FHUW TZMWR CZ GHXC
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"G.I. Joe" (PG-13) 4:20 p.m. No passes.

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"Oz: The Great and Powerful" (PG) In 3D. 12:45 p.m., 7 p.m. No passes.

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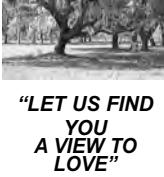
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 7360 S. Kyrene Road, Tempe, AZ 85283.
 Plaintiff,

v.
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 Defendants.

NOTICE OF ACTION

TO: RICHARD W. SOUCIA, IF LIVING, BUT IF DECEASED, THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSEES, CREDITORS, LIENORS, AND TRUSTEES OF RICHARD W. SOUCIA; VIRGINIA SOUCIA
 YOU ARE NOTIFIED THAT A civil action has been filed against you in the Circuit Court, County of Citrus, State of Florida, to foreclose certain real property described as follows:

LOT 39 OF LIV ACRES: THE SOUTH 1/4 OF THE NORTH 2/5 OF THE EAST 1/2 OF THE EAST 1/2 OF THE SW 1/4 OF THE NW 1/4 OF SECTION 10, TOWNSHIP 10, SOUTH, RANGE 17 EAST, ALL LYING AND BEING SITUATE IN CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA; SUBJECT TO A 25 FOOT WIDE EASEMENT ACROSS THE WEST BOUNDARY THEREOF FOR ROAD RIGHT-OF-WAY, TOGETHER WITH THAT CERTAIN 1999, 50 x 28 COUNTRY MANOR MOBILE HOME, SERIAL NUMBER: FLHMB123943286A&B.
 Commonly known as: 4665 NORTH MITCHUM POINT, CRYSTAL RIVER, FL 34428.

You are required to file a written response with the Court and serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Timothy D. Padgett, Plaintiff's attorney, whose address is 6267 Old Water Oak Road, Suite 203, Tallahassee, Florida 32312, at least thirty (30) days from the date of first publication, and file the original with the clerk of this court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise, a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint.

Dated this 22nd day of March, 2013.

CLERK OF COURT
 By/s/ Vivian Cancel, Deputy Clerk

Attorney for Plaintiff: Timothy D. Padgett, Esq., Timothy D. Padgett, P.A.
 6267 Old Water Oak Road, Suite 203, Tallahassee, FL 32312
 (850) 422-2520 (phone)(850) 422-2567 (fax)
 April 1 & 8, 2013.

418-0408 MCRN

Vs. David P. Mahan Case No: 09-2012-CA-001608 Notice of Action
 PUBLIC NOTICE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA
 CASE NO:09-2012-CA-001608

WELLS FARGO BANK, NA,
 Plaintiff,
 VS.
 DAVID P. MAHAN; et al.,
 Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF ACTION

TO: Unknown Spouse of Eleanor L. Hughes
 Last Known Residence: 136 South Sunset Terrace, Inverness, FL 34450
 Current residence unknown, and all persons claiming by, through, under or against the names Defendants.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose a mortgage on the following property in CITRUS County, Florida:

LOT 9, IN BLOCK B OF POINT-O-WOODS, UNIT NO. 1, ACCORDING TO THE MAP OR PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 4, PAGE 5, PUBLIC RECORDS OF CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA.

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on ALDRIDGE I CONNORS, LLP, Plaintiff's attorney, at 7000 West Palmetto Park Road, Suite 307, Boca Raton, FL 33433. (Phone Number: (561) 392-6391), within 30 days of the first date of publication of this notice, and file the original with the clerk of this court either before May 1, 2013 on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint or petition.

Dated on March 22, 2013.

ANGELA VICK, As Clerk of the Court
 (SEAL) By/s/ Vivian Cancel, As Deputy Clerk
 April 1 & 8, 2013.

419-0408 MCRN

Vs. Victoria Gann Case No: 12CA1481 Notice of Action
 PUBLIC NOTICE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 5TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION
 CASE NO.:12CA1481

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION,
 Plaintiff,
 VS.
 VICTORIA GANN, et al.,
 Defendants.

NOTICE OF ACTION

TO:

VICTORIA GANN
 Last Known Address Unknown
 Also Attempted At: 6651 S. REDBIRD AVENUE, LECANTO, FL 34461; 6655 S. REDBIRD AVENUE, LECANTO, FL 34461 AND 9380 W. MILWAUKEE COURT, CRYSTAL RIVER, FL 34428
 Current Residence Unknown

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for Foreclosure of Mortgage on the following described property:

LOT 2, CARDINAL ACRES, ACCORDING TO THE MAP OR PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 6, PAGE 109, PUBLIC RECORDS OF CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA.

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it, on Choice Legal Group, P.A., Attorney for Plaintiff, whose address is 1800 NW 49TH STREET, SUITE 120, FT. LAUDERDALE FL 33309 on or before May 1, 2013, a date which is within thirty (30) days after the first publication of this Notice in the map and file the original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint.

IF YOU ARE A PERSON WITH A DISABILITY WHO NEEDS ANY ACCOMMODATION IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS PROCEEDING, YOU ARE ENTITLED, AT NO COST TO YOU, TO THE PROVISION OF CERTAIN ASSISTANCE. PLEASE CONTACT THE ADA COORDINATOR, TELEPHONE (352) 341-6700, 110 N APOPKA AVENUE, INVERNESS FL, 34450, AT LEAST 7 DAYS BEFORE YOUR SCHEDULED COURT APPEARANCE, OR IMMEDIATELY UPON RECEIVING THIS NOTIFICATION IF THE TIME BEFORE THE SCHEDULED APPEARANCE IS LESS THAN 7 DAYS. IF YOU ARE HEARING OR VOICE IMPAIRED, CALL 711.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of this Court this 22nd day of March, 2013.

Angela Vick, As Clerk of the Court
 (SEAL) By/s/ Vivian Cancel, As Deputy Clerk
 April 1 & 8, 2013.

424-0408 MCRN

Vs. Soucia, Richard Case No: 2012-CA-001394 Notice of Action
 PUBLIC NOTICE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO.:2012-CA-001394

U.S. BANK, NA as Trustee for

YOU ARE REQUIRED to serve a copy of your written defenses on or before May 1, 2013 a date which is within 30 days after the first publication, if any, on Elizabeth R. Wellborn, P.A., Plaintiff's Attorney, whose address is 350 Jim Moran Blvd., Suite 100, Deerfield Beach, Florida 33442, and file the original with this Court either before service on Plaintiff's Attorney, or immediately thereafter; otherwise, a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint or Petition.

This Notice shall be published once a week for two consecutive weeks in the Citrus County Chronicle.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of the court on March 22, 2013.

Angela Vick, CLERK OF THE COURT
 (COURT'S SEAL) By/s/ Vivian Cancel, Deputy Clerk

Attorney for Plaintiff: Melia Manganello, Esq.; Jacqueline C. Herman, Esq., Elizabeth R. Wellborn, P.A. 350 Jim Moran Blvd., Suite 100, Deerfield Beach, FL 33442, Telephone: (954) 354-3544 Facsimile: (954) 354-3545, Email: mmanganello@erflaw.com Secondary email: servicecomplete@erflaw.com

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT, If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator, at (352) 341-6700, 110 N. Apopka Avenue, Inverness, FL 34450, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711. April 1 & 8, 2013.

497-0401 MCRN

Vs. Alexander Y. Genkin Case No: 2012 CA 1797 Notice of Action
 PUBLIC NOTICE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 5th JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA
 CASE NO. 2012 CA 1797

PLYMOUTH PARK TAX SERVICES, LLC,
 Plaintiff

vs. ALEXANDER Y. GENKIN, YULAINA Y. GENKIN, SUNTRUST BANK, UNKNOWN TENANTS IN POSSESSION AND ALL OTHERS CLAIMING AN OWNERSHIP IN THE REAL PROPERTY, Defendants

NOTICE OF ACTION

TO: Defendant, YULAINA Y. GENKIN

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose a mortgage on the following described property located in Citrus County, Florida:

Lots 5 and 7, Block 3, of With-Ic-Popka Islands, Unit No. 1, according to the Plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 93, of the Public Records of Citrus County, Florida.

Property Address: 10276 East Gobbler Drive, Floral City, Florida 34436 ("Property")

You are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Timothy D. Padgett, Plaintiff's attorney, whose address is 6267 Old Water Oak Road, Suite 203, Tallahassee, Florida 32312, at least thirty (30) days from the date of first publication, and file the original with the Clerk of Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise, a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL OF SAID COURT on this 28th day of February, 2013.

ANGELA VICK, As Clerk of said Court
 (SEAL) By/s/ Vivian Cancel, As Deputy Clerk

IMPORTANT

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing a reasonable accommodation to participate in this proceeding should, no later than seven (7) days prior, contact the Clerk of the Court's disability coordinator at COURT ADMINISTRATOR, 110 N APOPKA AVENUE, ROOM 1-337, INVERNESS, FL 34450, 352-341-6700. If hearing or voice impaired, contact (TDD) (800)955-8771 via Florida Relay System. (2643.1715/8B) March 11, 18, 25 & April 1, 2013.

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426-0408 MCRN

4/19 PUBLIC SALE

Pursuant to Fla 83.0806 Notice is hereby given that on or thereafter April 19, 2013, at 10:00 a.m. at A-Mini Storage Hernando, 3640 N. Carl G. Rose Hwy., Hernando, Florida 34442 the miscellaneous personal contents of the following storage units shall be sold for past due rent & fees owed by the tenant.

Unit #81 - HHG

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