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Duke aside, tax values still lag

Greene: Citrus County has reached real estate bottom

MIKE WRIGHT
Staff writer

Duke Energy's tax situation has thrown the entire 2013 tax roll out of whack, with Property Appraiser Geoff Greene presenting Friday his estimate

along with a "worst-case scenario" for local governments. Outside of Duke, the overall taxable value of the county declined about 2 percent, though Greene's office believes Citrus has reached the real estate bottom and should start seeing im-

provements next year. Greene presents the approximate tax roll June 1 to allow local governments time to begin preparing their budgets and proposed 2013 tax rates. The final tax roll is due July 1. Greene on Thursday

announced his office had increased Duke Energy's assessed value from \$2.32 billion to \$3.45 billion — knowing, however, the company is likely to challenge the assessment in court. The company, which paid just \$19.4 million on a \$36 million tax bill in 2012, is expected to pay the same amount or less in

2013, according to a letter Duke Energy Florida President Alex Glenn sent Citrus officials in January. Because local governments use the tax roll to compute millages, Greene said he also presented a "worst-case scenario" based on Duke's expected tax

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Summer camps begin

YMCA of the Suncoast's Citrus County Branch, is hosting a variety of day camps this summer. At left, Saura Pierce, 12, admires the tie-dye shirt she created Friday morning as the first of 10 weeks of camp wrap up. The Y is offering camps in Inverness, Lecanto and Crystal River. Campers may attend one, all 10 weeks of activities or any number of weeks in between. The camp operates from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. and includes field trips, breakfast, lunch, and activities such as swimming, putt-putt golf and bowling. The cost is \$89 per child. For more information, call 352-637-0132, or to register a child go to www.ymca-suncoast.org.

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Inverness man captured in Belleview



Kyle Chunn charged with attempted murder.

Charged with attempted felony murder

ERYN WORTHINGTON
Staff writer

An Inverness man wanted in several counties for multiple offenses was found hiding in a Belleview home Thursday, according to the Marion County Sheriff's Office.

Kyle Lee Chunn, 22, of E. Dove Court, Inverness, is facing charges of one count of armed home invasion robbery, attempted felony murder, grand theft of motor vehicle, burglary of an unoccupied dwelling, armed burglary of an unoccupied dwelling, and two counts of grand theft more than

\$5,000 but less than \$10,000. Bond is \$30,000. Kenneth Roy Stewart, 21, S.E. 110th Street, Belleview, was also arrested. Stewart is facing charges of two counts of burglary of an unoccupied dwelling and two counts of grand theft of more than \$5,000 but less than \$10,000. His bond is \$20,000. Chunn and Stewart reportedly broke into a residence May 19 in the

Marion County community of Summerfield where a man and child were at home. The family heard several "pop" sounds, and when the man went to investigate the sound outside he was confronted by someone with a black mask and gun. The resident attempted to quickly shut the door when he was shot in the finger. He ran to the child in the living room, and Stewart and Chunn

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Playful porcine pet inspires with its handicap

Potbellied pig uses wheelchair

Associated Press

SUMTERVILLE — In many circumstances, a piglet without the use of its hind legs would be put down. But Chris P. Bacon's unusual condition has made him an international star and an inspiration to those with disabilities.

When Chris was born in January, a woman brought him into Dr. Len Lucero's veterinary office in central Florida. The piglet's two back legs were deformed because of a congenital defect that left the joints fused together. Lucero said the woman thought the animal would need to be euthanized.

ON THE NET

- www.chrispbacon.org
- <http://tinyurl.com/kefdwdl>

But Lucero watched as the baby potbellied pig crawled out of the carrier. "His front legs were down on the ground, his back legs were up in the air, and he was balancing and walking forward," said Lucero. "He was full of life. So I thought there was no way I could put this thing down, I'd rather give him a fighting chance, at least if not at my home, I would find someplace for him."

Lucero, who lives on a farm in central Florida, brought the little pig home to his wife, two kids and menagerie of animals. The animal's official name became

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Potbellied pig "Chris P. Bacon," owned by veterinarian Dr. Len Lucero, uses a special harness Thursday in Sumterville.

Associated Press

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*Customer must qualify for 5-year financing at 4.99% APR.

TAX

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payment to give governments a more realistic view.

With Duke representing 24 percent of the county's taxable property, the difference is huge.

For example, with Greene's new assessment of the Duke complex, taxable property values countywide rise 12.4 percent.

The Duke issue aside, Citrus continues to see a slide in assessed values

that began in 2008.

Les Cook, chief deputy property appraiser, said the county is experiencing an increase in transactions but home sale prices are still lagging.

"We don't see that median and average prices are increasing so we can't raise values," he said.

Cook said homes are estimated to sell this year at an average of \$100,000, down 4 percent from 2012. He noted that tax rolls are usually a year behind whatever is taking place currently, so his office takes about a year to catch up to increases in home-sale prices.

Cook said prices are on the rise in deed-restricted/high-end communities, such as Citrus Hills and Pine Ridge, and also on waterfront properties in Homosassa.

On the other hand,

Average Citrus County single-family home sale prices

Table with 2 columns: Year (2006-2013) and Price (\$163,746 to \$100,309*)



Geoff Greene property appraiser.

Source: Citrus County property appraiser

prices continue to slump in areas that had been high in foreclosures, such as Beverly Hills and the Inverness Highlands North.

The drop in residential assessments was offset some by new construction, which added \$84.1 million to the tax roll. Greene's

office noted the year brought two new Walmarts, two assisted living facilities, new showrooms at two existing car dealerships and significant remodels to several restaurants.

Contact Chronicle reporter Mike Wright at 352-563-3228 or mwright@chronicleonline.com.

Two charged in scuffle with bats

ERYN WORTHINGTON Staff writer

On May 24, two men were arrested after they showed up at a residence with baseball bats and dozens of friends, according to the Citrus County Sheriff's Office.

Jared Allen Gusha, 20, of Southeast Third Court, Crystal River, is facing charges of battery. His bond is \$500.

Dylan Bryan Ayala, 18, of N. Ferdinandina Avenue, Dunnellon, faces a charge of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon. His bond is \$5,000.

Ayala was the Chronicle's 2012-13 Wrestler of the Year.

Reportedly, Ayala showed up at a Beverly Hills residence and was asked to leave numerous times. He did not cooperate and a fight ensued.

Ayala then left the resi-

dence stating he would return with a crew and weapons.

Ten minutes later he returned with Gusha and approximately 30 friends with baseball bats. They were threatening the resident, stating they had guns as well.

Another fight broke out during which a resident was struck in the head and fell to the ground. Then Gusha is accused of kicking him in the head.

The father of the resident brought out his gun and told everyone to leave his property.

Gusha, Ayala and their friends left the property and the sheriff's office was notified.

Gusha and Ayala were later found at a Crystal River convenience store.

They were arrested and transported to the Citrus County Detention Facility.



Jared Gusha faces battery charge.



Dylan Ayala faces aggravated assault charge.

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followed, according to arrest information.

They ordered the two to lay face down on the floor and demanded money, jewelry and drugs.

The resident reportedly did not have any jewelry or drugs. They exited the residence, taking guitars, a



Kenneth Stewart facing burglary charges.

Kindle e-reader, wallet, phone and truck. The man waited several minutes before crawling to his bedroom to use his home computer to message his

brother on Facebook that he had been shot.

Deputies were notified.

In a separate incident, on May 21 Chunn reportedly shot at two men in Brooksville who refused to give him money. He and a 19-year-old woman left the scene in a stolen car. Chunn later abandoned the car and woman and left on foot as officers pursued him, according to reports.

After receiving a tip,

investigators found Chunn hiding in Stewart's home. Officials searched the residence where he was found and recovered electronics, televisions, stereo equipment, jewelry and other items they believe were stolen in the course of multiple home invasions in Marion, Hernando and Citrus counties.

They were arrested and transported to Marion County Jail.

HAVE A NEWS TIP?

The Chronicle welcomes tips from readers about breaking news. Call the newsroom at 352-563-5660.

For the RECORD

Citrus County Sheriff's Office Burglaries

A residential burglary was reported at 2:50 a.m. Monday, May 20, in the 10 block of Michigan St., Beverly Hills.

A residential burglary was reported at 2:29 a.m. Tuesday, May 21, in the 300 block of S. Tyler St., Beverly Hills.

A residential burglary was reported at 2:03 a.m. Thursday, May 30, in the 1000 block of N. Dannielle Point, Crystal River.

A residential burglary was reported at 11:54 a.m. May 30 in the 400 block of Davidson Ave., Inverness.

A residential burglary was reported at 1:33 p.m. May 30 in the 100 block of S. Suncoast Blvd., Crystal River.

A residential burglary was reported at 1:56 p.m. May 30 in the 5000 block of S. Sandspur Point, Homosassa.

A residential burglary was reported at 6:27 p.m. May 30 in the 2000 block of N. Yawkey Point, Hernando.

Thefts

A grand theft was reported at 8:52 a.m. Monday, May 20, in the 6400 block of W. Park Drive, Homosassa.

A grand theft was reported at 11:39 a.m. May 20 in the 4000 block of E. Bass Lane, Hernando.

A grand theft was reported at 1:12 p.m. May 20 in the 20 block of S. Lincoln Ave., Beverly Hills.

A grand theft was reported at 1:55 p.m. May 20 in the 2900 block of S. Pine Ridge Ave., Homosassa.

A larceny petit theft was reported at 2:43 p.m. May 20 in the 2400 block of E. Gulf-to-Lake Highway, Inverness.

A petit theft was reported at 7:49 p.m. May 20 in the 7900 block of N. Citrus Ave., Crystal River.

An auto theft was reported at 9:27 p.m. May 20 at N. Melbourne St., Beverly Hills.

A petit theft was reported at 1:13 a.m. Thursday, May 30, in the 700 block of S. Rowe Terrace, Lecanto.

A petit theft was reported at 1:27 a.m. May 30 in the 3800 block of S. Suncoast Blvd., Homosassa.

A grand theft was reported at 10:08 a.m. May 30 in the 600 block of Long Ave., Inverness.

A grand theft was reported at 2:58 p.m. May 30 in the 200 block of N. Suncoast Blvd., Crystal River.

A petit theft was reported at 5:44 p.m. May 30 in the 2400 block of N. Heritage Oaks Path, Hernando.

Vandalism

A vandalism was reported at 8:44 a.m. Thursday, May 30, in the 3500 block of E. Glenn St., Inverness.

A vandalism was reported at 9:14 a.m. May 30 in the 2900 block of S. Coleman Ave., Homosassa.

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In Loving Memory Carlos F. Gonzalez, MD 1930 - 2013. A true servant in the medical field, in the community and in the family. A legend we will all miss dearly.

Around the
COUNTY

TPO's TAC and CAC to meet

The Citrus County Transportation Planning Organization (TPO) Transportation Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) and Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) will meet Wednesday, June 12, in Room 280 at the Lecanto Government Complex, 3600 W. Sovereign Path, Lecanto, to discuss the business of the Transportation Planning Organization.

The TAC will meet at 1 p.m. and the CAC will meet at 3 p.m. Any person requiring reasonable accommodation at this meeting because of a disability or physical impairment should contact the Citrus County Administrator's Office, 352-341-6560, at least two days before the meeting. If you are hearing or speech impaired, use the TDD Telephone 352-341-6580.

If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Transportation Planning Organization with respect to any matter considered at this meeting, he/she will need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record shall include the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

Apply for spot on tourism board

The Citrus County Commission is seeking applications for one vacant position on the Citrus County Tourist Development Council. The council is responsible for overseeing the spending of bed tax revenue, providing operational oversight for the Citrus County Visitors & Convention Bureau, implementing a Tourist Development Plan and making recommendations to the commissions on tourism-related issues.

Six members of the council are persons who are involved in the tourism industry and who have demonstrated an interest in tourist development. Of those six, not less than three or more than four are owners or operators of tourist accommodations in the county and subject to the Tourist Development Tax. One member is a representative from the county commissioner. Two are elected municipal officials.

The TDC meets at 9 a.m. the second Wednesday monthly at the Lecanto Government Building.

The regular member position expires Jan. 31, 2017. Applicants may be either the owner or operator of a hotel, motel, campground or other property that collects the 3 percent bed tax, or an individual interested in tourism development. Applicants are required to be Citrus County residents and registered to vote in Citrus County.

Applications will be accepted until June 6. Applications that meet the eligibility requirements will be forwarded to the Board of County Commissioners for evaluation, nomination and selection. Interested persons should contact Marti Spewock of the Citrus County Visitors and Convention Bureau at 352-628-9305 for information.

—From staff reports

Correction

Due to editor error, the Chevrolet Bel Air pictured on Page C1 of Friday's edition was incorrectly described. The car is a 1957 Chevrolet Bel Air convertible, and belongs to Janet Thomas of the Citrus County Cruisers. The *Chronicle* regrets the mistake.

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

City: Felines must go

Humanitarians, city of Inverness seek to relocate cats in Whispering Pines

NANCY KENNEDY
Staff writer

INVERNESS — If you feed them, they will come.

For the past few years, the Humanitarians of Florida have cared for a colony of cats that have claimed Whispering Pines Park as their home.

The six or seven cats are all spayed or neutered, microchipped and vaccinated, according to Donna Schmid, a longtime Humanitarians member. A caretaker has fed and monitored them daily since August 2011.

But now, city of Inverness officials have given the Humanitarians notice the cats have to go.

"They've been here for years, and now we have to move them," Schmid said Friday. "We've been

trying to trap them — we need to get them out of harm's way. But we don't know right now what we'll do with them. They're used to living here."

The problem, said Eric Williams, assistant city manager and manager-in-training, is that the cats conflict with the city's agreement with the state of Florida, which owns the park property and is part of the state forest system, not to alter the habits or habitats of the natural wildlife.

"I know that people feed the cats out of a good heart; they're trying to do what they believe is the right thing, but the park was never designated as a feeding station or a designated cat colony," he said.

"So, we've been asking people to stop feeding the cats — there's a

cadre of people who feed them in addition to the Humanitarians.

"What happens, by feeding the cats, they're encouraging an unnatural behavior of wildlife there. It's drawing in animals such as raccoons and foxes, and I've even seen coyote tracks out there," he said.

Williams has a background in forestry and wildlife management.

"We made the decision to humanely remove the cats, with the help of the sheriff's office animal control and Laura Peckam supervising the traps," Williams said.

When members of the Humanitarians heard about it, they showed up at the park to express their concerns.

Williams said even though it sounds counterintuitive, feeding the cats is not in their best interest and upsets the natural ecosystem of the forest.

"The wildlife itself has become dependent on (the cat food), as well as digging in the trash next to

the areas where they're feeding," he said, adding the area is near the park pavilion and a sand playground where young children play.

Williams said he was appreciative of the Humanitarians' efforts to relocate the cats.

However, as of Friday, the Humanitarians don't know what they will do with the cats once they trap them.

"Even though these cats have lived in the wild, we've seen no aggression in them," Schmid said. "They've been interacting with people. Our main concern is to get them out of harm's way. Only as a last resort will we use euthanasia."

Meanwhile, the city of Inverness wants people who use Whispering Pines Park to not feed the cats or the wildlife they may encounter in the park.

To contact the Humanitarians of Florida, call 352-563-2370.

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

Great blue heron nest



MATTHEW BECK/Chronicle

Springtime is nesting time in the bird world. Great blue herons are a common site along all of the waterways of the Nature Coast, and nests often appear in the trees near the birds' feeding grounds. This adult bird, most likely a male, guards a young chick that lays low in its nest. According to the Great Blue Heron Nature Reserve Society, chicks that have reached about 3 weeks of age are guarded during the daylight hours by the male parent, while the female hunts for food. During the night, the roles are reversed. Young herons develop rapidly, and at 2 weeks they clean their plumage and stand upright. The chicks are fed partially digested food the parents provide. A few weeks later, they walk among branches near their nest, preparing for flight. At 8 weeks of age, the young will fly from tree to tree and return to the nest to be fed by their parent. Finally, at around 10 weeks of age, the chicks leave their nest for good and are independent from their parents. These two birds were photographed recently on Christmas Island on King's Bay in Crystal River.

State BRIEFS

Gov. Scott rebuffs Nelson on health bill

TALLAHASSEE — Florida Gov. Rick Scott is ignoring the advice of U.S. Sen. Bill Nelson by signing a contentious health insurance bill into law.

Scott signed four bills on Friday, including another measure that repeals a state law requiring gasoline to be blended with ethanol.

Nelson wanted Scott to veto a bill (SB 1842) that removes the ability of state regulators to challenge health insurance rates for a two-year period.

The provision was included in a bill intended to bring state laws into compliance with the federal health care overhaul.

Nelson called the legislation "unconscionable" and said it was passed so legislators could blame the overhaul.

The governor also signed the ethanol bill (HB 4001) although it is expected to have limited effect since federal standards also mandate the blend.



Bill Nelson
 U.S. senator.

Senator: Give a boost to storm supercomputers

ST. PETERSBURG — U.S. Sen. Bill Nelson says it's imperative for the United States to upgrade two supercomputers that forecast major weather events.

Nelson said Thursday that \$25 million will be spent in the next two years to upgrade those computers as part of the Hurricane Sandy supplemental bill approved by Congress. Nelson said another \$50 million from the bill will be spent on laboratories and research.

The 2013 hurricane season starts today.

Meteorologists say the two American supercomputers that provide storm models are underpowered. The two computers are based in Reston, Va., and Orlando.

Forecasters at the National Hurricane Center in Miami use several hurricane models to form a storm's projected path. The computers take data from weather satellites, observations and weather balloons, then plug the data into algorithms.

USF asks for permits to exhume bodies

TALLAHASSEE — The University of South Florida is asking permission from state authorities to exhume human remains on the site of a now-defunct Panhandle reform school.

USF made the request one week after a circuit judge rejected a request filed by Florida Attorney General Pam Bondi.

The judge ruled not enough evidence existed to justify an order. But he also said state officials had authority to proceed with exhumations on state land. But he cautioned USF and others that it would not protect them if families protested their actions.

USF wants to exhume bodies from "Boot Hill Cemetery" and surrounding areas, where it is believed there may be unmarked graves and unaccounted-for bodies of boys who died. The school was closed in 2011.



Pam Bondi
 attorney general.

—From wire reports

Fire damages general store

Chronicle

Late Thursday night, fire damaged a store in the Floral City area, according to the Citrus County Sheriff's Office Fire Rescue.

Fire Rescue received a call at 11:53 p.m. and arrived at the scene, 10855 E. Gobler Drive, at 12:10 a.m. and found the 2,500-square-foot Boondocks General Store's roof on fire.

According to the report, the commercial structure appeared to be vacant and without power. Crews accessed the roof with ground ladders, advancing a hose line to extinguish the fire. The fire was extinguished at 12:18 a.m.

Crews also searched the building for occupants and none were found.

The state fire marshal is investigating. The store's estimated damage is \$8,600.

Today's HOROSCOPES

Today's Birthday — Because of a desire to help others, you could be busier than ever in the months ahead. Your good intentions will yield rewards.

ENTERTAINMENT

The Roots live large in new mural

PHILADELPHIA — The house band for NBC's "Late Night With Jimmy Fallon" is living large in its hometown of Philadelphia.



Ahmir "Questlove" Thompson

Members of The Roots are now depicted on a multistory mural on the back wall of a school. The group attended a dedication of the project on Friday.

The mural is called "Legendary." It uses a colorful collage of images to trace the history of the Grammy-winning hip-hop group.

Roots drummer Ahmir "Questlove" Thompson said it's hard to believe how far the band has come since its founding in the city in 1992.

The art project was created by the city's Mural Arts Program. There are more than 3,600 murals in Philadelphia.

17th century art to be auctioned in NY

NEW YORK — A 17-century Dutch painting that was owned by Catherine the Great's art adviser is coming to a New York City auction.

"The Duet" by Gerrit van Honthorst once hung at the Hermitage Museum in St. Petersburg, Russia.

Christie's estimates it could fetch \$2 million to \$3 million at next Wednesday's sale.

Bruno and Ellen Spiro bought the Old Master in 1931. The Nazis seized it from their Berlin home during World War II.

It was later acquired by the Montreal Museum of Fine Arts,



Associated Press

Canadian singer Justin Bieber's former pet, the capuchin monkey named Mally, looks out of its quarantine room Friday at his new home at Serengeti Park near Hodenhagen, northern Germany.

where it hung for more than 40 years.

It was restituted this year to the Spiros' heirs.

The painting depicts a nocturnal scene. A man with a moustache and a scantily-dressed young woman sing by candlelight over an open book.

Napster co-founder set to wed in Calif.

BIG SUR, Calif. — Napster co-founder and early Facebook adviser Sean Parker is set to get married in California's Big Sur region.

The San Jose Mercury News reported his wedding to singer and songwriter Alexandra Lenas is scheduled for Saturday at the swanky Ventana Inn & Spa.

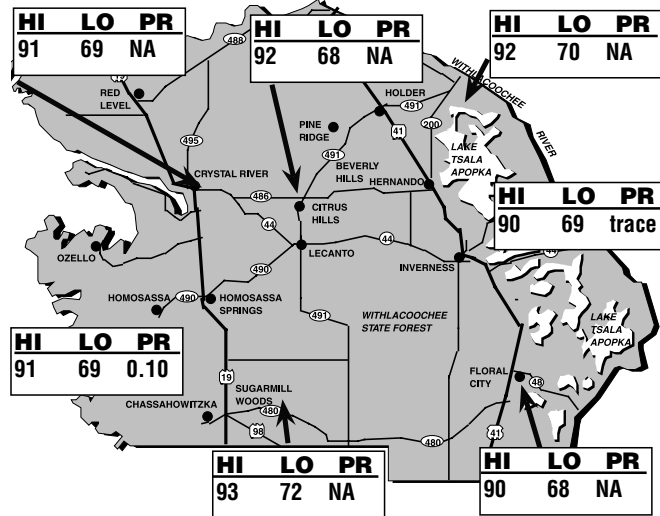
Parker declined to comment to the newspaper through a spokesman.

But Stan Russell with the Big Sur Chamber of Commerce said Parker is building the equivalent of a movie set for the wedding.

Forbes estimates the 33-year-old Parker's net worth at \$2 billion.

—From wire reports

YESTERDAY'S WEATHER



THREE DAY OUTLOOK

Weather forecast for Today, Sunday, and Monday with icons and temperature ranges.

FLORIDA TEMPERATURES

Table with 3 columns: City, High, Low, Forecast. Lists temperatures for major Florida cities.

MARINE OUTLOOK

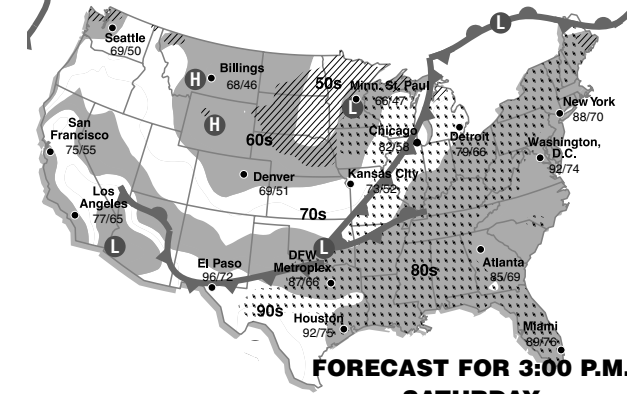
East winds around 10 knots. Seas 2 feet. Bay and inland waters will have a light chop.

Gulf water temperature 80 degrees taken at Aripeka.

LAKE LEVELS

Table with 4 columns: Location, Thu., Fri., Full. Shows lake levels for various Florida lakes.

THE NATION



Forecast for Saturday with city-specific weather, precipitation, and wind data.

Today in HISTORY

Today is Saturday, June 1, the 152nd day of 2013. There are 213 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight: On June 1, 1813, the mortally wounded commander of the USS Chesapeake, Capt. James Lawrence, gave the order, "Don't give up the ship" during a losing battle with the British frigate HMS Shannon in the War of 1812.

On this date: In 1533, Anne Boleyn, the second wife of King Henry VIII, was crowned as Queen Consort of England.

Ten years ago: Leaders of the world's seven wealthiest nations and Russia pledged billions of dollars to fight AIDS and hunger on the opening day of their summit in Evian, France.

Five years ago: Hillary Rodham Clinton won a lopsided, but largely symbolic, victory in Puerto Rico's presidential primary.

One year ago: A judge in Sanford, Fla., revoked the bond of the neighborhood watch volunteer charged with murdering Trayvon Martin and ordered him returned to jail within 48 hours.

Today's Birthdays: Singer Pat Boone is 79. Actor-writer-director Peter Masterson is 79.

Thought for Today: "Patience! Patience! Patience is the invention of dullards and sluggards. In a well-regulated world there should be no need of such a thing as patience."

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CELESTIAL OUTLOOK section with columns for SUNSET TONIGHT, SUNRISE TOMORROW, MOONRISE TODAY, MOONSET TODAY.

BURN CONDITIONS section with Today's Fire Danger Rating is: HIGH. There is no burn ban.

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

PERCEPTION PROBLEMS

Keep hospital meetings in sunshine

Bids are now being solicited from hospital corporations around the state and country that might be interested in purchasing Citrus Memorial hospital in Inverness.

Proposals are being prepared, and this summer the Citrus County Hospital Board will consider the offers.

The process for making a bid is very detailed, and the public is a key stakeholder. As a public hospital, Citrus Memorial Health System is owned by the taxpayers of Citrus County.

That is why it is very distressing that State Sen. Charles Dean, R-Inverness, and CCHB attorney Bill Grant held a private meeting with one of the potential bidders to discuss the process.

The meeting with Regional-Care Hospital Partners was brokered by another powerful Florida politician — former Florida Attorney General Bill McCollum — and held in the offices of attorney Grant.

The amended bidding document very clearly states if prospective bidders have questions, they should contact the consultant the CCHB hired to handle the process. Josh Nemzoff, the consultant employed to make sure the bidding process is handled in a fair and appropriate manner, sent a notice to board members that the meeting with the attorney and the powerful Florida politicians was not appropriate.

We agree. The three-year governance controversy that has engulfed the hospital should be enough to put all parties involved on high alert that any deviation from the official process will be looked upon with scorn.

Private meetings with potential bidders and powerful

politicians send out the message that decisions are being made behind closed doors.

The five members of the hospital governing board ultimately will make the decision about the future of the hospital. (There is a vacancy on the board now awaiting a nomination from the governor). What's in question is what role the members of the CMH Foundation board will have in that decision — since they are the current leaseholders of the public hospital.

We do admit that it is Sen. Dean who is pulling the strings behind the scenes on the hospital sale. When members of the governing board don't go in the direction he approves, the powerful senator blocks their confirmation in the Legislature and forces their removal.

This meeting in private with potential bidders creates the perception that the governing board isn't really making the decision. We are disappointed that Gov. Rick Scott, who actually appoints the governing board, has not taken a stronger role in protecting the integrity of this process.

The potential sale or lease of our public hospital is a difficult and emotional decision for this community. Casting doubt on the integrity of process can only create more controversy and another round of expensive lawsuits for the taxpayer.

Criteria for the sale of the hospital should be based on the health care needs of the citizens of Citrus County. Tens of millions of dollars are at stake, but so is the future health care service delivery in our community.

The decision must be made in public and for the public. That goal can't be achieved with secret meetings and private agendas.

THE ISSUE:

Private meetings about hospital sale.

OUR OPINION:

All decisions must be made in public.

Christie's directness refreshing

DOUGLAS COHN AND ELEANOR CLIFT

WASHINGTON You couldn't find two more different personalities. The buttoned-down reserved intellectual, pencil thin and disciplined at the dinner table, and the gregarious Jersey boy, equal parts bully and schmoozer, together on the boardwalk enjoying a moment of solidarity.

For President Obama, you could say it was just what the doctor ordered, a chance to follow up on government intervention he had ordered, and to see that it was working well. An energetic and somewhat slimmed down Gov. Chris Christie, R-N.J., grateful for the federal aid Obama sent his way after Hurricane Sandy, was only too happy to oblige another presidential visit.

Conservative radio talk show host Rush Limbaugh characterized the relationship between these two politicians as one of master and servant because Obama controls the purse strings and Christie has to be nice to him. But watching their body language, they looked on top of the world, and no wonder: the photo op of Obama high-fiving Christie after the governor bested him on his first try in a football throwing arcade game is priceless.

Both men come across as magnanimous and bipartisan, and that's what the voters want from their leaders. Obama won't be facing another election, but anything that boosts his job approval numbers is

money in the bank when he's trying to navigate tough issues with a stubborn Congress.

State Sen. Barbara Buono, the Democrat who is challenging Christie's bid for a second term, was almost an afterthought. She was included in a group of local officials that Obama met with, but the Eastern media is in such a swoon over Christie that MSNBC host Chris Hays confessed on air that it took an awkwardly long time before his young and supercharged political staff could even come up with her name in a planning session for his show.

Christie's approval rating is 69 percent in the most recent local polls, down only a few percentage points from a high of 72 in the immediate aftermath of Sandy. He's regarded as a lock for re-election in November, and his recent decision to undergo surgery to band his stomach in an effort to lose weight has been covered in the context of what it means for 2016.

Will Christie run for president, and if he does, can he navigate the politics of a Republican primary race? Christie said he had the surgery because he turned 50 and wants to be around to see his children become adults, and that he's not making decisions in the context of politics. Either way, he comes across as authentic, which in politics is a rare attribute. He says what's on his mind, and when it gets him in trouble, as it often does, he shrugs it off. So far, that's worked for him in the

big picture, but when you drill down in Republican politics, it's not clear there is a path for him in GOP primaries, that in recent elections have been hard-wired on the right.

One thing is certain; if Christie chooses to run, he won't be shy about taking on the more ideological figures in his party. He's not afraid of a smack down with anybody, and he seems to enjoy getting into hot water every now and then. During a call-in show he does monthly, he responded to a question about whether the president of Rutgers University should step down in the wake of revelations that newly hired athletic director Julie Hermann was guilty of verbally and emotionally abusing players at another university in the 1990s.

"Not my call," Christie replied. He declined to offer an opinion about Hermann and expressing confidence in Rutgers President Robert Barchi's judgment. "I'm the governor of New Jersey. I'm not a recruiter for Rutgers University. My point is, let Rutgers handle this." Christie said. Whether you agree with Christie or not, there's a directness that's refreshing; he's more longshoreman than law professor.

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



LETTERS to the Editor

Dogs aid disabled

Regarding "dogs should be left at home" printed several weeks ago: I am insulin-dependent and the owner of a service dog. She can alert to a possible coma, medication times and soon-to-be high and low sugar levels. My service animal (no longer called a pet) is 18 pounds of life-saving love.

We do not take her into restaurants. However, per the Americans with Disabilities Act, she is permitted. We do take her into department and grocery stores. She is always wearing her identifying vest and leash. She walks alongside me and has made many friends while "on duty."

We spent good money on her training and I consider her my lifeline. My advice to the persons who cannot understand/accept this is that perhaps you should stay at home. The disabled have to shop and eat just like you do.

Andrea Phillips
 Crystal River

Keep cynicism out

Carl Hiasen, *Miami Herald* columnist, obviously is not a sportsman, hunter, gun collector or shooter. His narrow-minded attitude about Marco Rubio shows him to be prejudiced and unwilling to view firearm issues open-mindedly.

I wholeheartedly agree with and have been subjected to background checks in order to purchase firearms. However,

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human and drug trafficking, unemployment, foreclosures, health-care issues, and, as Marco Rubio said, violence problems. Gun control? When will we stand up and fight to control our government?

Bad-mouthing "the junior senator from Florida" is a poor excuse for journalism. Mr. Hiasen's biased ramblings demonstrate that he is out of touch with reality. His remarks reveal him as a cynical slave to a corrupt government which should be made to haunt him.

Joanie Welch
 Inverness

Fines follow patrols

If I may use Commissioner John "JJ" Kenny's words, the commissioners have become "freaking thugs" with their new taxing units.

Sugarmill Woods is the largest community in the county, yet we do not see the sheriff's office patrol cars in our neighborhoods. We do, however, see the constant county patrols for water restrictions generating large fines and revenues for the county while it issues permits to companies to take our water for its profit. We are told by JJ "just give up one carton of cigarettes."

Claude Strass
 Homosassa

Editor's note: The Southwest Florida Water Management District, not county government, issues water permits.

Wake up, recycle

I live in Pine Ridge and my garbage company, FDS, is now offering us recycling next month. I just want to make a comment to residents. I have neighbors who are complaining because they don't want recycling and it's, like, you've got to be kidding. People, we need to wake up and come to the 20th century, that this is the way to go. We need to do recycling so we don't fill up the landfill with stuff that doesn't have to be in there.

Please return clip

Approximately two months ago, I lost my money clip. That clip means more to me than the money that was in it. Please, if you find it, if you have found it,

you can gladly keep the money and there's no questions asked. You may return it to 6764 Bluebird Lane or call 464-4139.

I would be eternally grateful if you return this clip. As I say, it means more to me than the money that was in it.

Mixed messages

I see our lawmakers are wanting to drop the level down from .08 to .05 percent on drunk driving. I mean, here we are, we've got the Oktoberfest, where the county commission and all these businesses put on a beer fest in the middle of the pasture in front of all the kids, just like all these festivals, but yet they'll (punish you) for leaving a bar drunk.



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Nation BRIEFS

Twisters hit



Belinda Russell hugs Red Cross worker Sue Morey on Friday after surveying damage to her home in Broken Arrow, Okla., after a tornado passed through the area overnight. A storm formed west of Oklahoma City late Friday afternoon, dropped a tornado in a suburb and rolled into the state capital. A number of injuries were reported.

Firefighters killed in motel fire

HOUSTON — Four firefighters were killed while battling a fire that engulfed a Houston motel and restaurant on Friday, and at least five other people were hospitalized, authorities said.

The loss of life is the single worst in the history of the 116-year-old Houston Fire Department. The blaze broke out just after noon Friday at a restaurant and club at the motel, then quickly spread to the section of the building housing the motel. About 150 firefighters responded and were able to extinguish the blaze within about two hours.

Woman freed from Mexican jail

The weeklong detention of an American woman after Mexican authorities said they found 12 pounds of marijuana under her bus seat illustrates one of the perils Americans face while traveling in Mexico.

Yanira Maldonado, 42, walked out of a prison on the outskirts of Nogales, Mexico, and into her husband's arms late Thursday after a judge dismissed drug-smuggling charges against her.

The judge determined Maldonado was no longer a suspect after viewing video that showed the couple climbing on the bus with just a purse, blankets and bottles of water.

Officials: Planes collide; four dead

PHOENIX — Two small planes collided and then crashed in the desert on Friday, killing all four people aboard the two aircraft, officials said.

Phoenix and Daisy Mountain Fire Department officials said the collision and crash involved two single-engine planes with two people in each aircraft.

Officials said the crash occurred in Phoenix, about 15 miles northwest of Deer Valley Airport.

An initial report said three people were killed and two people were injured. Fire officials with the Phoenix and Peoria city fire departments and Daisy Mountain Fire Department later said four people had died and there were no survivors.

N.Y. teen wins spelling bee

OXON HILL, Md. — New York City has its first Scripps National Spelling Bee winner in 16 years. Arvind Mahankali has never had a "knaidel," but he was able to spell the German-derived Yiddish word for a matzo ball Thursday night to earn the huge trophy and more than \$30,000 in cash and prizes.

Arvind finished third the two previous years, eliminated both times on German words.

Arvind admires Albert Einstein and hopes to become a physicist.

—From wire reports

Intel dilemma in attacks

Associated Press

PARIS — Intelligence agencies that have succeeded in thwarting many of al-Qaida's plans for spectacular attacks are struggling to combat the terror network's strategy of encouraging followers to keep to themselves, use off-the-shelf weapons and strike when they see an opportunity.

In recent weeks — at the Boston Marathon, in the streets of London and in the shadow of one of Paris' most recognizable monuments — young men allegedly carried out attacks with little help, using inexpensive, widely available knives and explosives from everyday ingredients. In each of the attacks, suspects had previously been flagged by law enforcement and deemed not to be a priority.

There are no indications

the suspects in recent attacks were responding specifically to al-Qaida calls to act in a vacuum — but their alleged actions closely follow the lone-wolf model the network has been promoting.

A tough debate now rages within the intelligence community — previously focused on searching for al-Qaida cells — on how to assess red flags without violating basic liberties.

Confronting an overwhelming sea of mostly harmless individuals who act suspiciously, authorities are still struggling with questions about how

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and how much to keep tabs on people who spout jihadist rhetoric online or buy material that could be used to make explosives — or something innocuous.

A French government report last week recommended a radical new approach in light of the 2012 terror in which a French-born radical Muslim attacked French paratroopers and a Jewish school in Toulouse, killing seven people. It called for an overhaul of the country's intelligence networks to combat the rising threat of militants working outside established terror networks.

One of the report's advisers, Mathieu Guidere, said last week's attack showed that intelligence services haven't learned their lesson.

"They're not originally made for fighting against this kind of threat. They're intended to fight against cells, against groups, against organizations, but not against individuals," he said. "It's a question of adapting. That's why there are the same errors in Boston, London and France. There was identification — but not detention — before the suspects passed into the realm of action."

World BRIEFS

Thai protest



Associated Press

Masked Thai protesters stage an anti-government rally Friday in Bangkok, Thailand. About 100 protesters took part in a rally to voice opposition to Prime Minister Yingluck Shinawatra's government.

Filmmaker goes to notorious prison

CARACAS, Venezuela — A human rights group said Venezuelan authorities have transferred a U.S. filmmaker accused of espionage to a notoriously unruly prison where more than 20 inmates were killed in a 2011 riot.

Patricia Andrade of the Miami-based Venezuela Awareness Foundation said Timothy Tracy was moved Wednesday from the secret police lockup in Caracas to the El Rodeo II prison.

Tracy was making a film about Venezuelan politics when arrested April 24 at Caracas' airport.

Guards shut down oil field in protest

TRIPOLI, Libya — A Libyan gas company official said guards at a southern oil field have shut down the facility in protest over back pay and are demanding better living conditions.

The official from the Mellitah Oil and Gas complex said Friday 45 guards forced the closure of the Elephant field the previous day. The field produces 74,000 barrels a day. Libya produces 1.6 million barrels a day.

Country cracks down on tobacco

BRAZZAVILLE, Republic of Congo — A Republic of Congo official said the country is announcing a new law that limits the sale and consumption of tobacco.

Minister of Health Francois Ibovi said Friday the law prohibits the consumption, purchase and possession of tobacco for minors, pregnant women and the mentally ill, with fines for those selling to that population starting at nearly \$400. It also prohibits advertising or promotion for tobacco.

The law also prohibits smoking in public places, such as schools, hospitals and public transportation.

Orphans returned to North Korea

UNITED NATIONS — The U.N. human rights chief has expressed dismay that Laos and China returned nine young North Korean defectors, all reportedly orphans, in apparent violation of their international obligations.

The U.N. deputy spokesman said the office of Human Rights Commissioner Navi Pillay is urging Chinese and Laotian authorities to publicly clarify the fate of the nine defectors and the conditions under which they were returned to North Korea.

Slaying suspect leaves hospital

LONDON — The second of two suspects in the vicious slaying of a British soldier was discharged from a hospital Friday and taken to a London police station, police said.

The Metropolitan Police said the 28-year-old man would be interviewed by counterterrorism detectives on suspicion of murder and the attempted murder of a police officer.

—From wire reports



Associated Press

Treasury Secretary Jacob Lew, center, accompanied by members of the Social Security and Medicare Boards of Trustees, speaks during a news conference Friday at the Treasury Department in Washington to talk about Social Security and Medicare.

A respite for Medicare

Social Security no worse — or better

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Medicare's long-term health is starting to look a little better, the government said Friday, but both Social Security and Medicare are still wobbling toward insolvency within two decades if Congress and the president don't find a way to shore up the trust funds established to take care of older Americans.

Medicare's giant fund for inpatient care will be exhausted in 2026, two years later than estimated last year, while Social Security's projected insolvency in 2033 remains unchanged, the government reported.

An overall slowdown in health care spending is helping Medicare. Spending cuts in President Barack Obama's health care law are also having a positive impact on the balance sheet, but they may prove politically unsustainable over the long run.

The relatively good news about two programs that provide a foundation of economic security for nearly every American family is a respite, not a free pass. Program trustees urged lawmakers anew to seize a current opportunity and

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make long-term changes to improve finances. Action now would be far less jarring than having to hit the brakes at the edge of a fiscal cliff.

Politically, however, Friday's positive report and the absence of a crisis could make legislative action less likely, especially in light of the lack of trust between President Barack Obama and Republicans in Congress. No end is in sight for the partisan standoff over what to do about Social Security and Medicare, two of the government's costliest programs, and the mammoth budget deficits they help fuel.

Still, fresh warnings were sounded.

"Under current law, both of these vitally important programs are on unsustainable paths," said economist Robert D. Reischauer, one of two independent public trustees overseeing the annual reports.

The window for action "is in the process of closing even as we

speak," said his counterpart, Charles Blahous III, also a prominent economist.

Social Security provides monthly benefit checks to about 57 million people, including 40 million retirees and their dependents, 11 million disabled workers and dependents and 6 million survivors of deceased workers. Medicare covers nearly 51 million people, mainly retirees but also disabled workers.

If the funds ever become exhausted, the nation's two biggest benefit programs would collect only enough money to pay partial benefits.

Social Security could cover only about 75 percent of benefits, while Medicare's fund for hospital and nursing rehabilitation care could pay 87 percent of costs.

With 10,000 baby boomers turning 65 every day, America's aging population is straining both programs.

While the combined Social Security fund was projected to be depleted in 2033, the trustees warned that the threat to one of its component trust funds that makes payments to workers on disability is much more urgent. They projected that the disability trust fund would deplete its reserves in just three years, in 2016. That date is unchanged from last year's report.

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Yankees gain ground on Red Sox

Sabathia strikes out 10 in 4-1 win

Associated Press

NEW YORK — CC Sabathia's fastball returned to the New York Yankees along with Mark Teixeira and Kevin Youkilis.

Throwing at up to 94 mph after two months of decreased velocity, Sabathia matched his season high with 10 strikeouts while pitching into the eighth inning to lead New York over the Boston Red Sox 4-1 Friday night and stop the Yankees' season-high, five-game losing streak.

Out since injuring his right wrist March 5, Teixeira made his season debut and was 0 for 3 with a walk. Youkilis, sidelined by a back injury since April 27, was 1 for 4 with an RBI single in the fifth.

Rays game delayed

Due to several rain delays in Tampa Bay's game Friday at Cleveland, results were not available before deadline.

Sabathia (5-4) ended a five-game winless streak, one shy of his career high, allowing six hits and no walks in 7 1/3 innings.

The Yankees closed within a game of first-place Boston in the AL East.

Given a 2-0 lead in the second on RBI singles from Jayson Nix and Ichiro Suzuki, Sabathia improved to 9-2 with a 2.63 ERA in 13 starts following Yankees losses since the start of the 2012 season. He threw 73 of 109 pitches for strikes and allowed his only run on Mike Napoli's RBI double in the seventh.

Jon Lester (6-2), who won at Yankee Stadium on opening day, lost his second straight decision.



Associated Press

New York's Brett Gardner is tagged out Friday by Boston second baseman Dustin Pedroia while attempting to steal second during the first inning at Yankee Stadium in New York.

Letting off steam

Nadal calls French Open schedule 'not fair'

Associated Press

PARIS — Rafael Nadal wanted to get a few things off his chest.

Not about the quality of his play Friday, which fell below his usual standards at Roland Garros — for the second match in a row, he dropped a lethargic opening set before winning.

What really bothered the usually affable Nadal was the way the French Open's scheduling decisions, and the weather, combined to force him to now play on consecutive days, while his third-round opponent Saturday, Italy's Fabio Fognini, was "watching the TV in the locker room" on Friday.

"That's not fair," Nadal said, his arms crossed, his voice stern. "This is not right," the seven-time champion in Paris said moments later, shaking his head and arching his left eyebrow.

What flustered Nadal, basically, was that his 4-6, 6-3, 6-3, 6-3 victory over Martin Klizan of Slovakia was supposed to be played Thursday but wound up being postponed because of rain — in part because it was the third match slated for its court.

The 27th-seeded Fognini's second-round victory win over Lukas Rosol, meanwhile, was No. 2 on its court and finished Thursday. Nadal's point: When there's rain in the forecast, everything possible should be done to ensure that two matches whose winners will face each other next should be completed on the same day.

Nadal also didn't like that while Fognini-Rosol followed one women's match — which, because they are best-of-three-sets, tend to be shorter than the men's best-of-five — on Thursday's program, Nadal-Klizan followed both a men's match and a women's match. His match should have taken priority on a day when showers made rescheduling likely, Nadal argued, because if women "have to play two days in a row, (it) is not a big deal."

Ana Ivanovic, the 2008 French Open women's champion, sided with Nadal on that point, saying men should "get more time to recover."

"Especially now, when he has to play day after day, I think he's right. They should play early," Ivanovic said after reaching the fourth round with a 6-3, 6-2 win against Virginie Razzano, the Frenchwoman who stunned Serena Williams in the first round last year.

Now Nadal will need to win six matches over 10 days if he's going to be the first man to collect eight trophies at one Grand Slam tournament.

Williams, seeking her first French Open title since 2002, extended her career-best winning streak to 27 matches by defeating Sorana Cirstea 6-0, 6-2 and has

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Unfinished business

Haas leads Memorial as rain delays finish of second round

Associated Press

DUBLIN, Ohio — Bill Haas played the best golf in the toughest conditions Friday in the rain-delayed Memorial.

When the second round was suspended as dark clouds rolled in and forced the third stoppage in play, Tiger Woods and Rory McIlroy were close to each other on the leaderboard, even if they were miles away from Haas, who had a 5-under 67.

That didn't bode well for Woods, the five-time Memorial winner who had a most peculiar round in wind and on fast greens. He three-putted from 5 feet for double bogey on the par-5 15th, chopped up the final hole for a bogey and wound up with a 74.

"Tough conditions out there, and I didn't exactly play my best, either," said Woods, who had his worst 36-hole total (145) at the Memorial since he first played it in 1997.

McIlroy was in danger of missing the cut until he fired off five birdies, looking more comfortable with his putts and attacking with his driver. He was 4 under for his round and one shot inside the cut line — and one shot behind Woods. McIlroy was in a greenside bunker in two shots at the par-5 15th when play was stopped.

"The major goal today was to try to make it into the weekend," McIlroy said. "I'm on the right track to do that."

The second round was to resume at 7:30 a.m. today.

The Memorial has a long history of bad weather, and it's a tough spot for it to happen. Slugger White, the tour's vice president of competition, said more storms were expected early this afternoon and into Sunday morning. Ohio is on the western edge of the eastern time zone, allowing for long hours of daylight. But several players have U.S. Open qualifying Monday.

Morning or afternoon, Muirfield Village was no picnic. The wind was a factor in the morning and it began to increase in strength, while the greens were firm and crispy and required caution even on the shorter putts.

Haas played through it beautifully, taking advantage of one bad tee shot that he

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Associated Press

Bill Haas hits out of a bunker on the ninth hole Friday during the second round of the Memorial in Dublin, Ohio.

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Musical dilemma



JOHN TERHUNE/Journal & Courier

The Mustard Seeds, Greg Deason, left, Ross Deason, Dave Evans, and Paul Addison, right, lead parishioners in "God of Wonders" during the mid-week worship service Wednesday, May 15, at Saint Andrew United Methodist Church in West Lafayette, Ind.

As churches seek to broaden appeal, conflicts about music choices arise

TAYA FLORES
Journal & Courier

WEST LAFAYETTE, Ind. — On a recent Wednesday evening, the band began to play. Dean Brusnighan sat at a table in the back of the room at St. Andrew United Methodist Church in West Lafayette. At times he clapped. During other moments, he mouthed the lyrics

intently. His eyes closed tightly as he sung the words quietly to God.

Although Brusnighan values both traditional and contemporary styles of worship music, he has a preference.

"There are aspects of the traditional service I like, but I have become more accustomed to the contemporary service," the 53-year-old Lafayette man told the *Journal*

& Courier. "It's more interactive. With contemporary worship music, we have a praise band and it feels like there's more energy."

For several decades, Protestant churches have had to figure out what worship music should sound like. Some churches still stick to the traditional spirituals, while others have completely forgone tradition in favor of more

culturally relevant worship bands.

Are traditional hymns and organs still at odds with contemporary worship music, which typically features guitars and drums?

John Witvliet, director of the Calvin Institute of Christian Worship in Grand Rapids, Mich., said some churches

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Nancy Kennedy
GRACE NOTES

Practice for heaven

Generally when my friend Tara and I get together, food is both talked about and consumed.

I taught her my secret to amazing stir-fry vegetables (season them with onion powder and dried red chili flakes), and she introduced me to pad thai and satay at a Thai restaurant.

Last Saturday, to celebrate her birthday, she and I and our husbands went to a seafood, prime rib and sushi buffet where we, as always, both talked about and consumed incredibly delicious food.

My husband and I took Tara and her husband, Gary, to our favorite place where we usually go just the two of us. But last Saturday there were four of us — five, if you count God.

"For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them," Jesus told his followers (Matthew 18:20).

Something supernatural happens when the followers of Jesus gather

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Lecanto church celebrates 120 years

NANCY KENNEDY
Staff writer

LECANTO — The congregation of First Baptist Church in Lecanto goes back even further than 120 years, to a time when the first few members shared a one-room log schoolhouse with other area churches and met for services only once a month.

Their "new" church, built in 1893 on County Road 491, was demolished when the current "new" church building was built in 1955.

To raise money to pay for the new church, members raised rabbits in the church yard. They'd kill them and clean them and

take them to Crystal River to sell.

The old church didn't have electricity or air conditioning and no padded pews — just old board benches. They used wood heaters in the winter, and none of the windows had screens.

Electricity came in 1948. Their first preacher traveled by horse and buggy; the next two drove cars.

The church's pastor, the Rev. Gary Bailey, has been with them almost 30 years.

Ten years ago, at their 110-year homecoming, they celebrated the completion of a remodeling project on their now-58-year-old building. They bricked the back to match

the front, installed new bathroom facilities, re-roofed, put in central heat and air conditioning in the educational building and purchased an electronic piano-organ.

In 2000, the church received an anonymous gift of more than \$99,000. Six churches in Citrus County were chosen by a man in Citrus County to inherit his estate; Lecanto First Baptist was one of them.

Last Sunday, the church celebrated its 120th homecoming with a Southern Gospel concert by Ralph Walker and River Jordan, followed by a covered dish dinner.

"Several things have

happened during the past 10 years," said the Rev. Gary Bailey. "We installed a lighted church sign with the name of the church and the times of our services. It also allows us the opportunity to add new inspirational messages each week. We do this as a ministry for the hundreds of drivers who pass by our church every day on their way to work or school. We get a lot of positive comments and feedback about our sign."

He said they also added a covered driveway at the back of the church, which is helpful to the elderly members during stormy weather.

"In describing our

church, I tell people we are like the Energizer Bunny in the TV commercial," Bailey said. "We don't do anything flashy or spectacular, and we don't have a lot of historical highlights or milestones. Like the bunny, we just keep 'going and going and going.' And we have been doing just that for 120 years. That in itself is reason to celebrate."

The church is at 1020 S. Lecanto Highway (County Road 491), a half-mile south of the intersection of C.R. 491 and State Road 44.

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



Terry Mattingly
ON RELIGION

Church and state in conflict

IRS Commissioner Steven Miller was already having a rough day at the House Ways and Means Committee when one particularly hot question shoved him into the lower depths of a church-state inferno.

The question concerned a letter sent by IRS officials in Cincinnati to the Coalition for Life of Iowa, linked to its application for tax-exempt status.

"Please explain how all of your activities, including the prayer meetings held outside of Planned Parenthood, are considered educational," said the letter, which was released by the Thomas More Society, which often defends traditional religious groups.

"Organizations exempt under 501(c)(3) may present opinions with scientific or medical facts. Please explain in detail the activities at these prayer meetings. Also, please provide the percentage of time your organization spends on prayer groups as

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Summer fun

■ Victory Baptist Church will host VBS for grades one through six from 9 a.m. to noon Monday through Friday. The VBS theme is "Fun Fair — Where God's World Comes Together." A church kick-off will take place during the Sunday morning service tomorrow. A "Family Carnival Day," will take place Friday with a cookout, professional face painter, balloons and fun for the whole family. VBS awards for the children and family will be awarded during the Sunday morning service June 9. The church is at 5040 E. Shady Acres Drive, Inverness. Call 352-726-9719 or 352-465-8866.

■ Children ages 3 through sixth grade are invited to "Tell It On The Mountain" VBS from 9 a.m. to noon Monday through Friday, June 10 to 14, at Faith Lutheran Church, 935 S. Crystal Glen Drive (in Crystal Glen Subdivision), Lecanto. Register at faithlecanto.com or at the church office, or by calling 352-527-3325 or email office-fatih

lecanto@tampabay.rr.com. This is a Thrivent Financial for Lutherans sponsored event.

■ First United Methodist Church of Dunnellon will offer its 3rd annual "SPARK Summer Camp," from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. June 10 through Aug. 2. This program also accepts children with special needs. There are different themes, crafts and games for each week. The church is at 21501 W. State Road 40, Dunnellon.

■ Children in prekindergarten through sixth grade are invited to VBS from 6:15 to 8 p.m. Monday through Friday, June 10 to 14, at Heritage Baptist Church, 2 Civic Circle, Beverly Hills. The theme is "Investigation Destination: Follow Clues to the King of Kings." For more information or registration, call the church at 352-746-6171.

■ St. Anne's Church, at 9870 W. Fort Island Trail in Crystal River, will host Vacation Bible School from 8:30 a.m. to noon Monday through Friday, June 17 to 21. This year's theme is "Kingdom Rock — where we stand

strong for God." This ecumenical outreach offers an outstanding program for ages 3 through adults. Invite your family and friends. There is no fee. Call 352-795-2176 to register. St. Anne's, First Presbyterian and St. Timothy Lutheran Churches in Crystal River sponsor this VBS.

■ Register for "Kingdom Rock Vacation Bible School" at First Presbyterian Church of Inverness. VBS is from 9 a.m. to noon Monday through Friday, June 17 to 21. There will be a closing celebration Friday evening, June 21. At Kingdom Rock, kids discover how to stand strong for God. Each day is filled with incredible Bible-learning experiences and tons of fun. Everything is hands-on, so send them in their play clothes. Register by calling 352-637-0770 or online at groupvbspro.com/vbs/ez/fpcinv.

■ Hernando Church of the Nazarene invites children ages 3 through 6th grade to "Sonrise National Park Vacation Bible School" from 6 to 8:30 p.m. Monday through

Friday, June 17 to 21. Take a daily trek with new friends and discover extreme challenges as you learn to depend on God's promises. To register, call the church office at 352-726-6144. There will be a closing program for parents at 6 p.m. Sunday, June 23. The church is at 2101 N. Florida Ave., off U.S. 41 in Hernando.

■ First Baptist Church of Homosassa, 10540 W. Yulee Drive, invites children ages 4 through sixth grade to VBS as we travel with Paul as he tells people about Jesus. VBS is from 6 to 8:30 p.m. Sunday through Friday, June 23 to 28. Register online at fbc-homosassa.org and follow the link to VBS, call the church office at 352-628-3858 for a registration form or stop by the church and pick up one during normal business hours. Registration will also be open at 5 p.m. Sunday, June 23. Bus pickup is available.

■ Faith Alive Day Camp is from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday, June 24 to 28, at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church. Call 352-726-7161 for registration information.

The church is on County Road 486 opposite Citrus Hills Boulevard in Hernando.

■ Children age 4 and/or those who have completed the fourth grade are invited to celebrate God's welcoming love for everyone at "Everywhere Fun Fair VBS," where God's world comes together. The fun begins Tuesday, June 25, at Hernando United Methodist Church with registration and continues from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Wednesday through Friday, June 26 to 28. No cost. The church is at 2125 E. Norvell Bryant Highway (County Road 486). Call 352-726-7245.

■ St. Margaret's Episcopal Church will host Vacation Bible School from 5:15 to 8 p.m. Sunday through Thursday, July 21 to 25. This year's theme is "God's Backyard Bible Camp" where kids discover which two are the most important Commandments. All ages are invited and a nursery is provided. Supper every night. There is no fee. Call 352-726-3153.

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As part of its annual Summer Missions Project, Rock Crusher Road First Church of God has set a "God-size" goal of contributing 500 hours of their time in community service. Members can serve as volunteers anywhere in the community. The reason behind the goal is to get the church outside of the building and into the community where they can help make a difference. The church is at 419 N. Rock Crusher Road, Crystal River. Call the church office at 352-795-5553 or visit www.rockcrusherchurch.com.

Special events

The Citrus County Community Choir will present a concert of music by Andrew Lloyd Webber at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 2, at First Presbyterian Church of Crystal River (U.S. 19, next to Sweetbay Plaza). Admission donation is \$10 for adults. Children 12 and younger are free. For information, call 352-795-2259.

Floral City United Methodist Church invites everyone to enjoy its "Community Breakfast" and a time of fellowship from 8 to 11 a.m. today. Enjoy biscuits and sausage gravy, scrambled eggs, fresh fruit and coffee. Cost is \$5. The church is on E. Marvin Street across from the elementary school. Call 352-344 1771.

First United Methodist Church will host its fifth annual "Body, Mind & Soul Health Fair" from 9 a.m. to noon Thursday. More than 60 businesses and health organizations will provide health screenings and valuable information. The LifeSouth bloodmobile will accept donations. Lots of free stuff, including



Special to the Chronicle

The Nature Coast Unitarian Universalists held a Memorial Day service in their Memorial Garden. Deceased relatives who served in the military were honored, along with all deceased members of the congregation. Shown here are Irene LeMon, Don Wright, Kathy Fleissner, Jeanne Wright, Les Eastman, Pam Ricker, Joan Burnett and Stan Brumaghim.

door prizes, gifts and promotional items, will be available. There will also be a Corvette display coordinated by the Touch of Class Corvette Club. All Corvettes are invited to participate. The church is at 8831 W. Bradshaw St. at the intersection of Yulee Drive in Homosassa, just down from Burger King. Visit www.1umc.org or call 352-628-4083.

The Forgotten Films Festival will take place at 3 p.m. Thursdays during June at the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship at 7633 N. Florida Ave., Citrus Springs. Films include: "Hitchcock" on June 6; "The

Master" on June 13; "The Painted Veil" on June 20; and "A Good Year" on June 27. Admission is a \$3 donation. Call 352-465-4225.

The Summer Book Club at St. Timothy Lutheran Church, Crystal River, will start up again at 1 p.m. Tuesday, June 11, in the fellowship hall. Men and women of the community are invited. The club will read and discuss some books that are very relevant to our lives and our personal spiritual journey. The first book is "In His Steps," by Charles M. Sheldon. First published in 1897, this book has sold more than 30 million

copies and ranks as one of the bestselling books of all time. Call Gail Sirak at 352-634-2021.

The third Saturday night supper will take place from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. June 15 in the Dewain Farris Fellowship Hall at Community Congregational Christian Church, 9220 N. Citrus Springs Blvd., Citrus Springs. Menu includes smoked ham dinner, potatoes, vegetables, dessert, coffee and tea. Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$5 for children and can be purchased at the door. Takeouts available. Call the church at 352-489-1260.

Celebrate Father's Day

at a very causal service at 11 a.m. Sunday, June 16, at First United Methodist Church, Homosassa. After the service, stay for a picnic on us. Wear your shorts, T-shirts, etc., and be comfortable. You will be blessed by the message and the food and fellowship. Turn west at Burger King in Homosassa and you will come to the back of the church setting on the left side of the road. Call 352-628-4083.

Worship

First Presbyterian Church of Crystal River will celebrate worship at

10:30 a.m. Sunday. Pastor Jack Alwood will deliver his sermon titled "A Good Day." A Christian education study on "How to Read the Bible" will precede worship at 9 a.m. in Westminster Hall. New church members were received and welcomed during the May 26 worship service. Call the office at 352-795-2259 or visit fpcocrystalriver.org for more information.

Shepherd of the Hills Episcopal Church in Lecanto will celebrate the second Sunday after Pentecost with Holy Eucharist services at 5 p.m. today and 8 and 10:30 a.m. Sunday. A nursery is provided during the 10:30 a.m. service Sunday. There is a healing service at 10 a.m. Wednesday. SOS summer hours are 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. Thursdays at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church. Evening Bible study is at 7 p.m. Thursday.

St. Raphael Orthodox Church in America invites the public to attend Great Vespers at 5 p.m. today and Divine Liturgy at 10 a.m. Sunday. The Holy Myrrhbearers ask attendees to bring a box or can of food for distribution at Family Resource Center in Hernando. The church is at 1277 N. Paul Drive, Inverness, off U.S. 41 North, across from Dollar General. Call 352-726-4777.

Worship services at St. Timothy Lutheran Church include a "come-as-you-are" worship service with Communion at 5 p.m. Saturdays; early service with Communion at 8 a.m. Sundays with Sunday school classes for all ages at 9:30 a.m., coffee fellowship hour at 9 a.m., and traditional service with Communion at 10:30 a.m. Special services are announced. A nursery is provided. The church is at 1070 N. Suncoast Blvd. (U.S. 19), Crystal River.

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■ "Eyes of Faith," from Luke 7:1-10, is the sermon topic by Pastor Stephen Lane at Faith Lutheran Church at 6 p.m. today and 9:30 a.m. Sunday. The church is off State Road 44 and County Road 490 in Lecanto in Crystal Glen Subdivision. All are invited to worship and participate in activities. On Sunday there is a time of fellowship after the service, followed by adult Bible study and children's Sunday school classes at 11 a.m. Hearing assistance and large-print bulletins provided. There is a cry room where the parents can see and hear the service in progress with their child. Call 352-527-3325 or visit faith.lecanto.com for more information.

■ St. Margaret's Episcopal Church will celebrate Holy Eucharist Rite 1 at 8 a.m. Sunday and Holy Eucharist Rite 2 at 10:30 a.m. Adult Sunday school begins at 9:30 a.m. Feed My Sheep, a feeding program for people in need, is at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday followed by a Holy Eucharist and healing service at 12:30 p.m. Food pantry hours are 9:30 to 11:45 a.m. Tuesday and Wednesday.

■ St. Anne's Episcopal Church (a

parish in the Anglican Communion) is on Fort Island Trail West. St. Anne's will celebrate the second Sunday after Pentecost at the 8 and 10:15 a.m. services tomorrow. St. Anne's will host Our Father's Table from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. today. Alcoholics Anonymous meets at 8 a.m. Monday and Friday in the parish library. The "Widows Network" meets the fourth Monday monthly at various locations. All widows are welcome. Call the church of time and place. The young adults meet for a light meal and Bible study the first Friday monthly at one of the group member's homes. For details, call Dave or Kathy Jackson at 352-344-1167. All are welcome to join St. Anne's at 6 p.m. the fourth Sunday monthly for a Bluegrass Gospel sing-along. Annie and Tim's United Bluegrass Gospel Band will perform and lead the singing.

■ Inverness Church of God Sunday worship services are at 8:30 and 10:30 a.m. Children's church is during the 10:30 a.m. service following praise and worship on the second, third and the fourth Sundays monthly. Children remain in the sanctuary for family worship the first Sunday monthly. Sunday school begins at 9:30 a.m. with classes for everyone. Adult Bible class is at 7 p.m. Wednesday.

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Donation



Special to the Chronicle
Dollar General Store 1392, at 3042 S. U.S. 41, Inverness, collected donated canned goods for the St. Margaret's Episcopal Church Food Pantry during May. St. Margaret's Food Pantry is open from 9:30 to 11:45 a.m. Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Dollar General Store will hold a food drive for the American Red Cross during June. From left, are: Ryan Kaneshige; Tom McConnell; Sonia Sharp, manager on duty; Crystal Clendenney; Jennifer Rimes; and Pastor Gene Reuman.

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Trinidad examines Islamic uprising

Associated Press

PORT-OF-SPAIN, Trinidad — The Muslim cleric who led a small army that stormed Trinidad & Tobago's parliament in a blaze of gunfire is a free man. Never convicted of any charges, he cheerfully presides over a mosque and school complex in the country's bustling capital and shares time among his four wives, the maximum Islam allows.

Yasin Abu Bakr and his followers were jailed for two years after the 1990 attempt to overthrow the government of one of the Caribbean's most prosperous countries. But they were freed under an amnesty and attempts to prosecute them failed even though 24 people were killed. More than 50 people were taken hostage, including the prime minister, who was bound and shot in the leg.

After years of lingering questions about the attempted coup by Bakr and 113 armed rebels, a commission appointed by the government in 2010 has been taking a fresh look into the only Islamic revolt in the Western Hemisphere. The commission has held more than a dozen sessions over three years in an effort to understand better how and why the violent upheaval occurred. But the panel has no subpoena power and the findings are unlikely to lead to any arrests.

And Bakr isn't hurrying to provide any answers.

The towering 72-year-old, who dresses in a white robe and skullcap, recently gave The Associated Press a rare interview. Bakr said he hasn't decided if he'll testify before the five-member commission, which is expected to finish collecting testimony by year's end. He said the panel won't learn anything important unless he agrees to help.

"I am the architect; I am the



Associated Press

Yasin Abu Bakr, the head of the Jamaat al Muslimeen group that attempted a coup in Trinidad & Tobago in 1990, poses for a picture May 3 at the group's compound in Port-of-Spain, Trinidad. Nearly 23 years have passed since the homegrown group of radical Muslims stormed Trinidad & Tobago's parliament and began spraying gunfire, setting off six days of chaos that killed two dozen people. A fact-finding commission is trying to find the motive behind the violent upheaval by 114 Muslim rebels and the exact circumstances of how people were killed during the subsequent looting and arson.

leader of the coup," Bakr told the AP at the Jamaat al Muslimeen group's compound, where youngsters carried their books from a two-story school and a group of men chatted outside a spacious domed mosque. "I know everything that happened. If I don't testify to all the things that happened everybody is just guessing."

Against this backdrop, Vice President Joe Biden is visiting Trinidad Tuesday for trade and security talks with Prime Minister Kamala Kamlia Persad-Bissessar and other Caribbean politicians. The commission's work is not on the agenda, even though the failed rebellion by the Islamic group still looms large for the region in a post 9/11 world.

For some people in Trinidad,

Bakr's group remains a painful reminder of the deadly uprising that staggered the Caribbean country's sense of itself as an easygoing land of calypso, cricket and British-style democracy.

"We need to unearth all the facts if only from the point of view of recording history, but perhaps we can also suss out any strategic weaknesses that may still remain," said Foreign Affairs Minister Winston Dookeran, who was held hostage on the first day of the coup attempt launched July 27, 1990, and who was instrumental in launching the inquiry.

There is no evidence linking Bakr and his group of mostly black converts to Islam to international terrorism. U.S. authorities scrutinized the group after

discovering a failed 2007 plot to blow up jet fuel tanks at New York's John F. Kennedy International Airport. Federal investigators reported that a Trinidadian imam and a U.S. citizen from Guyana who were convicted in the case had earlier visited Jamaat's Trinidad compound, but no definitive connection was found.

Some researchers say that Islam isn't the group's central focus.

Jamaat "may be Islamist in its pedigree in that it relied and continues in some respect to use Islamic discourse and symbols ... but it was always more of a revolutionary, pan-Africanist movement than anything else," said Chris Zambelis, a Washington-based risk management consultant who specializes in the

Middle East but has researched Jamaat and interviewed members in Trinidad.

Bakr's reasons for attempting to take over the government have never been fully clear.

A former policeman who converted to Islam while living in Canada and who drew followers mainly among poor urban blacks in Trinidad's slums, Bakr has blamed the islands' government in the past for increasing hardship after world oil prices collapsed in the 1980s. He told AP that he also blamed then-Prime Minister Arthur N.R. Robinson's administration for the slaying of a female police constable who he insists had witnessed a cocaine transaction involving a government minister.

Whatever Bakr's motivation, the rebellion in the resource-rich republic off Venezuela's coast was among the more bizarre events in the history of the English-speaking Caribbean.

It started with a car bomb that gutted a police station near parliament, and continued with the takeover of the legislature.

After the rebels had held Robinson and others hostage for six days, officials promised the insurgents amnesty, then immediately arrested them when they surrendered. Trinidad's High Court later upheld the amnesty on the grounds that Jamaat members were the beneficiaries of a presidential pardon, even though the state argued it was made under duress. Shocking many, Bakr and his followers were freed after two years in lockup and never re-arrested.

Political analysts believe Jamaat members have escaped convictions in part because from the 1980s until at least 2002 they were hired by both major political parties to get out the vote for their factions during elections in poor, politically contested communities. Some experts believe Jamaat currently counts just a few hundred members.

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Growing sectarian divide in Egypt sparks anxiety

Associated Press

ASSIUT, Egypt — In one case, an Egyptian Christian man stabs his wife after she converts to Islam with the support of hard-line Islamists. Then after surrendering to police, he dies in mysterious circumstances, falling from a court building window.

At about the same time, a Muslim woman in another small village converts to Christianity and elopes with a Christian man. A crowd of Muslims attacks the local church in outrage. None of the attackers are prosecuted, but police arrest the Christian man's family.

The case is elevated to a national issue as angry Islamist lawmakers in parliament dedicate a whole committee session to demanding the conversion be stopped and decrying an alleged foreign plot to convert Muslims.

The two recent instances that took place in southern Egypt illustrate the deep sensitivities surrounding conversions in Egypt's conservative society.

But they also demonstrate the discrepancies in how the cases are treated. Christians say politically powerful Islamist hard-liners have stepped up efforts to encourage Christians to embrace Islam. Meanwhile, the rare cases of Muslims turning to Christianity often bring violence against the community. In either case, authorities tend to turn a blind eye.

That has heightened Christians' sense of siege amid the increasing influence of Islamists since the 2011 ouster of autocrat Hosni Mubarak.

Under Mubarak, there were two or three cases a month nationwide of Christians converting to Islam, says Ibram Louiz, an activist who tracks conversions and disappearances of Christian women. "But now I hear at times up to 15 cases coming from just one province," he said.

He estimated some 500 conversions since Mubarak's fall, 25 percent of them involving underage Christian girls, some as young as 15, who end up being married off to older Muslim men.

Public conversions to Christianity are far rarer. Technically, it is not illegal for a Muslim to become Christian — though under Islamic law it can be punishable by death. But in the handful of cases the past decade, converts were imprisoned for insulting religion, threatening national security or other charges.

With communal feeling strong in Egypt, conversions are rarely seen as simply a matter of personal choice. Among Christians and Muslims alike, families are outraged when a loved one switches religion and often react violently. Questions of honor become mixed in when it involves a daughter or wife.

What begin as domestic family dramas easily spin into wider sectarian tensions as each community tries to punish converts or "defend its own." In 2011, for example, a Cairo church was burned by Islamists determined to protect a woman they believed was being held there to force her to renounce her conversion to Islam.

President Mohammed Morsi, of the Muslim Brotherhood, recently declares that Muslims and Christians are equal before the law, and the Brotherhood is not known to be involved in conversions. But hard-line Islamists known as Salafis, allied to the Brotherhood, prominently defend converts to Islam, and they have a powerful presence in parliament. The Christian minority, about 10 percent of the population, has far less political power.

Romani Farhan Amir, an impoverished Christian



Associated Press

Mar Girgis priest Father Angelos speaks to the Associated Press May 15 in Wasta, Egypt. Christian gold stores in Wasta have removed their jewelry from their windows, a telltale sign that they feared attacks by Muslims. The Mar Girgis church, which was attacked on April 26 and has been targeted by a series of protests, is guarded by barricades and dozens of policemen.

day laborer, had little choice but to accept when his wife marched into a police station in the southern city of Assiut, accompanied by members of the hard-line Gamaa Islamiya group, and registered her conversion to Islam in February, his family says. Amir just told police that he did not want her anywhere near their four children, they say.

On May 11, when she showed up at the school of one of their sons, he believed she was trying to snatch the boy — something she denies. He stabbed her in the principal's office, leaving her wounded.

Amir surrendered to police, and while he was at a court complex waiting to be questioned, he fell from a fourth-story window. Police say he committed suicide and deny any foul play.

The provincial security chief acknowledges that, while tragic, Amir's death averted Christian-Muslim violence. If the wife had died "there would have been grave consequences," Abul-Qassim Deif said. "So in the end, that he died and she lived quickly ended the whole affair."

His family is convinced he was killed in retaliation for attacking a Muslim,

though they balk at accusing anyone specifically.

At a memorial prayer for him in the family's tiny apartment in Assiut, his mother argued with one of his six sisters whether to speak out. The sister tried to silence her, fearing retaliation from Islamists. Even the priest who led the memorial prayer advised them to lay low and avoid trouble.

The other conversion story, in Beni Suef province north of Assiut, provides a telling contrast.

In this case, a 22-year-old Muslim woman Rana el-Shenawi disappeared and is believed to have converted and fled abroad with a Coptic Christian she fell in love with.

In retaliation, Muslim mobs hurling rocks and firebombs attacked the Mar Girgis Church in her hometown of Wasta in late April after her father accused a local priest of using witchcraft to convert her. A priest's car was set on fire. Islamist hard-liners forced Christian businesses to shut down for more than a week.

"We want to raise the banner of Islam and not sit and watch our Muslim daughters getting kidnapped and converted to Christianity," said a leaflet distributed in Wasta by Islamists.

Ten people were initially detained for the church attack but were later released. The church is now guarded by police.

Police detained the father, mother and cousin of Ibram Andrews, the Christian with whom el-Shenawi allegedly eloped. They are under investigation on suspicion of helping her disappearance, inciting sectarian tensions, disturbing security and blasphemy.

Salafi groups, meanwhile, drummed up a nationwide uproar, warning of a foreign plot to convert Muslims. Even parliament took an interest. A committee held a hearing April 30, with Islamist lawmakers demanding action to retrieve el-Shenawi. The session devolved into furious arguments between Christian and Islamist lawmakers.

The el-Shenawi family's lawyer — a member of the Salafi Watan Party — was granted meetings with senior aides at the presidency to discuss efforts to retrieve the woman and investigate alleged foreign proselytizing.

The lawyer, Ashraf el-Sissi, told the AP he doesn't want the case to fuel sectarian tensions. But "what I am concerned with is whether there are foreign groups trying to undermine our nation."

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days in rooms 105 and 106. The youth group meets at 7 p.m. Wednesdays in the Youth Ministries Building. K.I.D. Zone (for children pre-K through eighth grade) meets from 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesdays. This includes K.I.D.'s choir practice from 6 to 6:30 p.m.; K.I.D.'s dinner from 6:30 to 7 p.m.; and children's Bible study classes from 7 to 8 p.m. The church is at 416 U.S. 41 S., Inverness. Call 352-726-4524.

■ First Baptist Church of Floral City, 8545 E. Magnolia St., invites everyone to share in the 8:30 a.m. contemporary worship service or the 11 a.m. traditional service every Sunday. Coffee and doughnuts are served in the fellowship hall from 9 to 9:45 a.m. Sunday school classes for all ages begin at 9:45 a.m. Wednesday evenings begin with a supper served from 5 to 6 p.m. Awana and OTEG (Ordinary Teens Extraordinary God) begins at 6:30 p.m. with adult Bible study. Visit www.fbcfloralcity.org or call 352-726-4296.

■ Good Shepherd Lutheran Church invites the public to worship at 8:30 and 11 a.m. Sunday. A coffee hour follows both services. The church is barrier free and offers a free CD ministry, large-print service helps and hearing devices. Nursery available. The church is on County Road 486 opposite Citrus Hills Boulevard in Herndon. Call 352-746-7161.

■ NorthRidge Church invites the community to the Sunday worship service at 10 a.m. Tomorrow we will share in Communion and collect nonperishables for the local SOS food pantry. We are a nondenominational church where you will find a warm and friendly atmosphere; a place for growing friendships, family and faith. The church meets at 714 Scarboro Ave. in Lecanto at the Realtors Association building on the corner of State Road 44 and Scarboro. Home Bible study meets at 7 p.m. Wednesdays through the summer months. Call for location and directions. Call Pastor Kenzie Berger at 352-302-5813.

■ New Covenant Grace Fellowship of Citrus County meets at 10 a.m. Sunday at the Inverness Community Center, 1082 Paul Drive, In-

verness (U.S. 41 and Independence). This new church is "low on religion, high on grace — a church where you feel better about yourself when you leave than when you arrived." Everyone is welcome. Visit www.ncgrace.com.

■ The Nature Coast Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Citrus County welcomes the Rev. Carole Yorke to the pulpit at 10:30 a.m. Sunday. The Rev. Yorke's topic, "Truth Telling," speaks to the fact that we have all been recipients of a lie, in fact, we all lie at some point. There are social lies and "real lies." The Rev. Yorke will relate a true story about a lie, how it affected her relationship with her sister, and how she failed her sister. The NCUU meets at 7633 N. Florida Ave., (U.S. 41), Citrus Springs. Call 352-465-4225.

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■ Many people are questioning why the weather has been so tragic in the past few years. America has suffered many, many deaths and millions of dollars in damages from tornadoes, major storms and hurricanes. Could this be a sign from God? And if so, what is He trying to tell us? Pastor Stan Stewart will address this topic at 10:45 a.m. Sunday at North Oak Baptist Church in Citrus Springs. North Oak Baptist Church is open to anyone who wishes to come, and complete children's ministries — with background-screened workers — are available from newborn through third grade. The church is at the intersection of North Elkcam Boulevard and North Citrus Springs Boulevard. Call 352-489-1688 for more information.

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HPH free memory screenings

HPH Hospice will host free 20-minute memory screenings for adults age 50 and older from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday, June 12.

Participants will meet privately with Jerry Fisher, program specialist for the Alzheimer's Association Florida Gulf Coast Chapter. While the screening is not considered a diagnostic tool and is not intended for those who have dementia or Alzheimer's, it is extremely helpful when it comes to determining if there is a serious memory problem, according to the Alzheimer's Association.

The screenings will take place at the HPH Hospice Team office, 3545 N. Lecanto Highway, Beverly Hills, in the Winn-Dixie Shopping Plaza inside the Memory Mobile.

Appointments are required. Call 352-527-4600 for an appointment.

Scouts plan Nerf Night

Cub Scout Pack 449 will sponsor its Nerf Night at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, June 6, at the Homosassa Elks Lodge, 7890 W. Grover Cleveland Blvd.

Boys in first through fifth grades are invited, with a parent/guardian, to bring a Nerf gun and start their summer fun with the Cub Scout Nerf Night. The event is free.

For more information, email HomosassaCub ScoutPack449@gmail.com.

Model A club to get together

Citrus A's Model A group will meet at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 4, at the Floral City Lions Club.

All are welcome. For more information, call Patti Tompkins at 352-688-3931 or visit www.citrusas.com.

Ukulele Club to meet, jam

The Citrus County Ukulele Club meeting and jam will be at 1 p.m. Saturday, June 15, at Coastal Region Library, 8619 W. Crystal St., Crystal River.

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Knights' sweet success

Annual 'Tootsie Roll Drive' nets contributions for charities

Special to the Chronicle

The Knights of Columbus holds a drive each year, usually during January and February, for people with intellectual disabilities; the drive may be better known as the "Tootsie Roll Drive," when Knights hand out Tootsie Rolls to

all who donate.

Of the money collected, 90 percent stays in Citrus County and the remaining 10 percent goes to charities worldwide.

This year, the St. Scholastica Council collected approximately \$4,000 and \$3,528.37 was donated to the Lighthouse, CREST School,

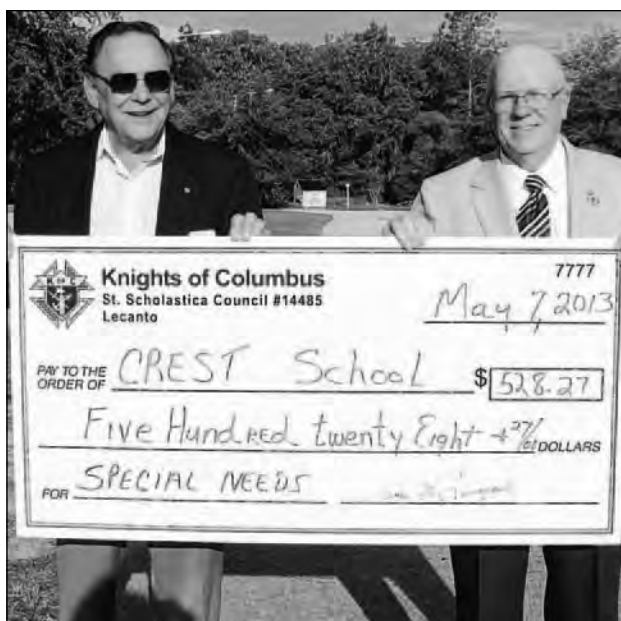
Special Olympics and the Catholic Charities Respite Program.

Additionally, Citrus County has six Knights of Columbus councils, all of which conduct the drive, after which tens of thousands of dollars go to facilities that care for people with intellectual disabilities.



Special to the Chronicle

The Knights of Columbus, St. Scholastica Council 14485, donates a check to the Lighthouse for \$1,000. The Lighthouse is an agency that assists people with a history of mental illness. Its clubhouse gives them a feeling of belonging. The clubhouse is certified by the International Center for Clubhouse Development (ICCD) and is a program under the auspices of The Centers. Pictured, from the left, are: Theresa Ault, Millie Rubio, Lisa Wolski and Rein Bonello, all members; Dana Rossignol, Grand Knight for the Knights of Columbus; Gloria Tucci, coordinator; and Debbie Heydecker, equipment specialist.



ABOVE, LEFT: The St. Scholastica Knights of Columbus Council 14485 donates \$1,000 to the Citrus County Special Olympics. Founded in 1972, the Special Olympics Citrus County provides year-round sports training and competition to children and adults with intellectual disabilities, at no cost to the athlete. Pictured are Dana Rossignol, Grand Knight for the council, and Butch Keiper, county coordinator for the Special Olympics.

ABOVE, RIGHT: The St. Scholastica Knights of Columbus Council 14485 donates \$1,000 to the Citrus County Catholic Charities' Respite Care Program. The program is designed to meet the growing needs of the elderly populations in Hernando and Citrus counties. Staff and trained volunteers provide center-based respite to early stage Alzheimer's and other memory loss clients and their caregivers. Pictured are Dana Rossignol, council Grand Knight, and Charles Locasto, program manager.

LEFT: The Knights of Columbus St. Scholastica Council 14485, donates a check to CREST School for \$528.27. Innovative programs, instruction and curriculum are defining components of CREST. Opportunities for participation and integration into the community are integral components of the school. Pictured are Bill Fischer, trustee and past Grand Knight, and Ron Komatowski, lecturer and public relations director for the council.

Come show your stuff

Park plans Collectors' Day

Special to the Chronicle

Ellie Schiller Homosassa Springs Wildlife State Park invites area collectors of all ages to attend its second Collectors' Day from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, June 15, in the Florida Room at the Park's Visitor Center on U.S. 19.

Experts and appraisers from Dudley's Auction in Inverness will be on hand to appraise special items from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. A \$5 fee will be charged to appraise one item or three items will be appraised for \$12. Proceeds from appraisal fees will benefit the Friends of Homosassa Springs Wildlife Park.

Dudley's Auction appraisal specialties will include, but are not limited to, coins, military, jewelry, tools, postcards, signatures and other paper collectibles and string instruments.

Collectors' displays will be set up starting at 10 a.m. This is an opportunity to display family-friendly collections — antiques, spoons, trains, coins, books, maps, utensils and more. Exhibitors can share their knowledge and enthusiasm with event visitors. There will be no fee to exhibit and there is no charge to attend the Collectors' Day event. Regular park admission will apply for entrance into the Wildlife Park.

Those who would like to set up a display are requested to stop into the park office or call Susan Strawbridge at 352-628-5445, ext. 1002, Monday through Friday. Applications and guidelines will be available at the park office. Space will be limited, so RSVP early. Applications may be returned in person, by mail, fax or email.

Mentors sought for youths

Special to the Chronicle

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

Take Stock scholars join the program in the sixth, seventh, or eighth grades and are assigned a mentor who meets with their student once a week, during regular school hours, and helps the student achieve their goal of a graduating from high school and going to college.

The program is actively seeking adult role models to help support new student scholars who will be entering the program in June. The next mentor training will be from 1 to 3 p.m. Monday, June 10. Call Pat Lancaster, program coordinator, at 352-422-2348 or 352-344-0855 for more information.

Study shows clubs' cost impact

At the Boys & Girls Clubs of Citrus County, after 21 years of serving Citrus County kids, we know we've done a good job. However, we feel so good when a report such as the four-year study done by Florida TaxWatch (March 2013) validates all those great things we do for kids.

Data from our clubs was a part of the study. The study is actually done from an economical viewpoint. Boys & Girls Clubs of Citrus County and clubs all across Florida save taxpayers' money. Taxpayers get a long-term benefit of nearly \$29,080,000 for the 100 kids who graduate from high school and go on to productive, responsible lives.

Research tells us these kids wouldn't have done it without the monitoring and resources of the clubs. Clubs keep kids out of jail, saving taxpayers \$46,305 for each youth the clubs divert from being incarcerated. Consider a "cost avoidance" of \$5,000 for each youth the

clubs distract away from criminal activities into productive life experiences. For the short term, think about the fact that for each club member who is not held back a grade (and the Boys & Girls Clubs of Citrus County have had no retentions in the past two years), taxpayers save \$9,000.

And there are other good findings as well. Boys & Girls Club children have higher FCAT reading scores than non-members; they are promoted more often and are absent from school half as often. Members of Boys & Girls Clubs all across Florida have a lower dropout rate from school than do their nonmember peers.

The juvenile justice system is also impacted by Florida Boys & Girls Clubs. Our members have fewer felonies, misdemeanors and other minor violations. If our kids do get into trouble, most get probation or other diversion services, rather than incarceration. The reason is we're there for

our kids; we watch over them, provide a place for them — it's their club. We provide relationships with trained staff and learning activities with super, proven programs. Boys & Girls Clubs are good for kids and good for the taxpaying public.

We hope you'll consider all of these good reasons when you search for a worthwhile charity and reflect on where your donation will do the most good. The Boys & Girls Clubs of Citrus County will save you money and invest in the future of a child at the same time.

The summer program has just begun and many children need scholarships. Your donation of \$20, \$70, \$700 or \$1,000 is needed. What you give stays in our county with our children. The Boys & Girls Clubs of Citrus County is partially funded by United Way of Citrus County, the Florida Department of Education and Kids Central Inc. Call 352-621-9225 or visit www.citrusbge.com to make a donation.

Lane Vick is grant coordinator of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Citrus County.



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BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS

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Table with columns for channel, time, and program details. Includes channels like WESH, WEDU, WUFT, WFLA, WFTV, WTSP, WTVT, WCJB, WCLF, WFTS, WMMR, WTTA, WACX, WTOG, WYKE, WOGX, WVEA, WXPX, A&E, AMC, ANI, BET, BRAVO, CC, CMT, CNBC, CNN, DISN, ESPN, EWTV, FAM, FLIX, FNC, FOOD, FSNFL, FX, GOLF, HALL, HBO, HBO2, HGTV, HIST, LIFE, LMN, MAX, MSNBC, NGC, NICK, OWN, OXY, SHOW, SPEED, SPIKE, STARZ, SUN, SYFY, TBS, TCM, TLC, TMC, TNT, TOON, TRAV, truTV, TVL, USA, WE, WGN-A.

Bridge section with a hand diagram showing cards for North, South, West, and East. Includes text: 'Dealer: South Vulnerable: Both', 'Opening lead: ♠ 7', and 'South 1 NT West Pass North 3 NT East All pass'.

Bridge PHILLIP ALDER Newspaper Enterprise Assn.

Mark Twain said, "Do the right thing. It will gratify some people and astonish the rest." At the bridge table, if you do the right thing, it might both gratify and astonish your partner! After a lot of columns about bidding opposite no-trump with major-suit hands, let's have a fur-lough and play in a no-trump contract. South is in three no-trump. West leads his fourth-highest diamond, the seven. How should South plan the play? As I have noted many times before, if North's five-card suit were a major, he would show it, planning to make it the trump suit when partner has at least three-card support. But since it is so unlikely that five clubs will make and three no-trump fail, responder should just go for the nine-trick game. South has seven top tricks: four spades, two hearts and one diamond. There are more than enough supplementary winners available in clubs. But there is a danger that the opponents will get too many diamond tricks when in with the ace of clubs. If the missing diamonds are breaking 4-3, there is no problem. But what if they are 5-2? Then surely East has honor-doubleton. With a suit headed by the king, queen and jack, West would have led the king, not the seven. And if East does have honor-doubleton, declarer must win the first trick with dummy's ace. This blocks the suit from the defenders' point of view. If East throws his queen under the ace, South's 10 wins the fourth round of the suit. And if East keeps his queen, the defenders cannot untie the suit. Declarer then plays a club, raking in at least one overtrick.

JUMBLE THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME by David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek. Includes a cartoon illustration of a man carrying a treasure chest and a grid for the word game.

- ACROSS 1 Oater backdrop 5 Gorilla 8 Wild tale 12 Building extensions 13 Green shade 14 Speechless 15 "Out of Africa" pen name 16 Turnpike pull-off (2 wds.) 18 Stormed 20 Fleur-de- 21 Cobra cousin 22 Ripple 25 World Series mo. 28 Queen of Scots 29 Sundance Kid's wife 33 Frozen dessert 35 Garden tools 36 Armstrong or Pasteur 37 Rubber boot 38 Bogus butter 39 With, in Caen 41 Sault — Marie 42 Razed 45 Half a bikini 48 Daughter's brother 49 Hardly hip 53 Aged, as paper 56 Skirt panel 57 Dramatic intro (hyph.) 58 Want ad letters 59 Pork, e.g. 60 Red waxed cheese 61 JAMA readers 62 — spumante

Answer to Previous Puzzle. A crossword puzzle grid with filled-in letters: JACOB, FRUG, UNAWED, ALARMS, TAVERN, BONSAI, NEATER, ANT, MIST, OLES, HOD, SAL, TEAK, ACID, YES, LINE, THOR, ERG, FRAT, AMAH, ATT, EVE, MEET, APSE, FAR, CREAKS, EXACTO, BEHOLD, METROS, STAYED, LAIR, OWLET.

Dear Annie: I am 73, and my wife is 68. We've been married 36 years, and we are healthy, active churchgoers. My wife had two young children when we married, and our son, "Cal," is now 34. We have helped all three of our kids financially, as well as with babysitting, yard work, etc. And we are frugal, partly so we can leave as much money to the kids as possible. Like many their age, they are busy and financially on the edge despite decent incomes. Eight years ago, at retirement, we moved across the state to be closer to my stepchildren to help with and be nearer to the grandchildren. They are now three hours away, and although they don't hesitate to call us once a year on the holidays. Yet, they enjoy their nearby in-laws on a regular basis. Last year, Cal moved across the country and married. At that time, his half-siblings were heard saying they "don't need us anymore," and in fact, my stepchildren recently suggested we move closer to Cal. While we enjoy Cal and know he would care for us, moving would be a huge expense. Moving closer to the stepchildren would also incur expense, but the main problem with living closer is that we are less comfortable with them. Their lives are too frenetic. We also realize that friends and neighbors in our

retirement community are more likely to care for one another. Should we stop being so concerned with what the children need and want and put our priorities first? Do you think we are overly sensitive about them having the in-law families nearby and therefore not needing us? Should we stop changing our busy schedules when they call to babysit on short notice? — Pa and Ma



ANNIE'S MAILBOX

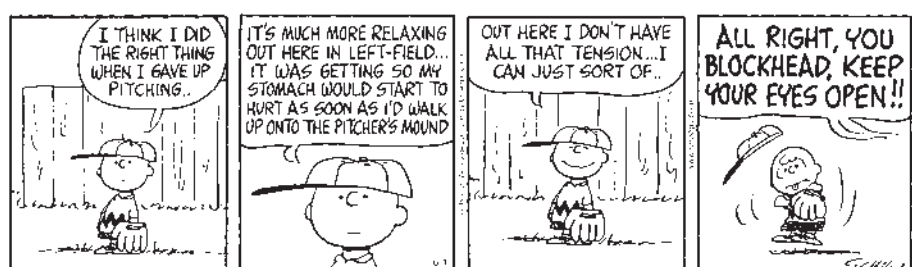
band and I give her credit for. But he is not here when she forgets to turn the water off, puts aluminum pans in the microwave and cancels her insurance coverage. He wasn't here when she started a fire. I want to tell everyone who thinks they know more than the caretakers: You don't live in the home with the elderly parent and do not know the whole story. — The Daughter Dear Daughter: Some people feel an overwhelming need to display their "knowledge," even when they are ill-informed. It is not as flattering to them as they may believe. Dear Annie: As an otolaryngologist, I could not overlook the letter from "Native New Yorker" about a hoarse and gravelly voice. While "Native" did not ask for advice about the voice, I would like to tell readers who have unexplained hoarseness existing for two weeks or more to have their vocal cords examined by an ENT doctor. The problem may be quite correctable, or it may be a sign of cancer of the larynx. — Illinois Otolaryngologist

Want more puzzles? Check out the "Just Right Crossword Puzzles" books at QuillDriverBooks.com. Includes a crossword puzzle grid with numbers 1-62.

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which child you believe will take care of you. You don't really know. Plan as if you had only yourself to rely on. Everything else is gravy. But if you want to see your step-grandchildren, we don't recommend you turn down babysitting jobs if your health allows you to go. We know the favoritism hurts, but being jealous of the other in-laws serves no purpose. Dear Annie: Last year, my 92-year-old mother came to live with us. It was a huge adjustment, and we have made many changes in our lifestyle and living space. Mom has been diagnosed with short-term memory loss and mild dementia. She also has some health issues. But she is very sweet and can carry on a coherent conversation. Recently, some friends spent time with us. The husband insisted that my mother is more aware than my hus-

Peanuts



Garfield



Pickles



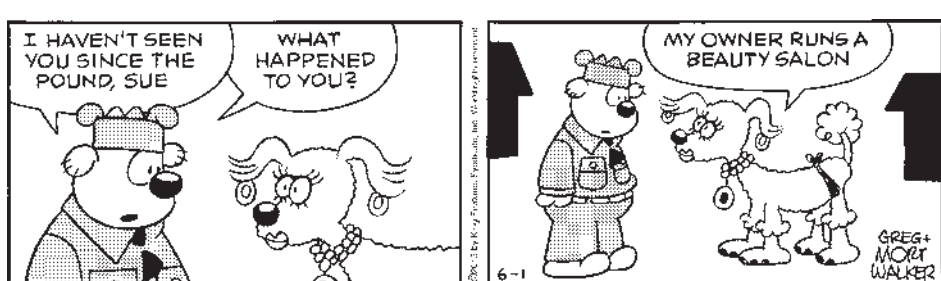
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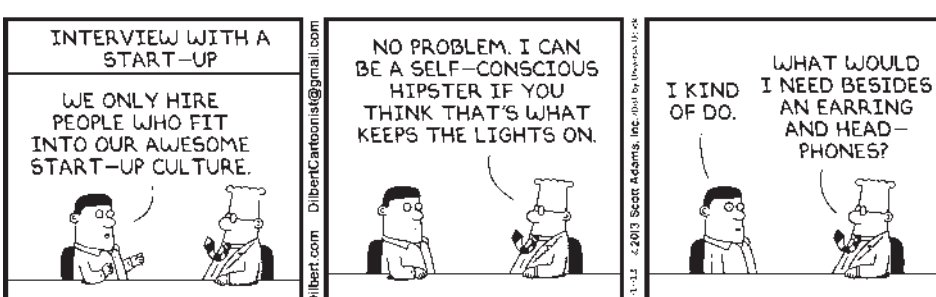
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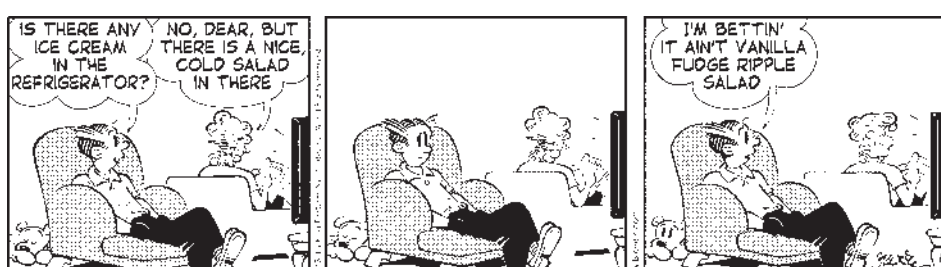
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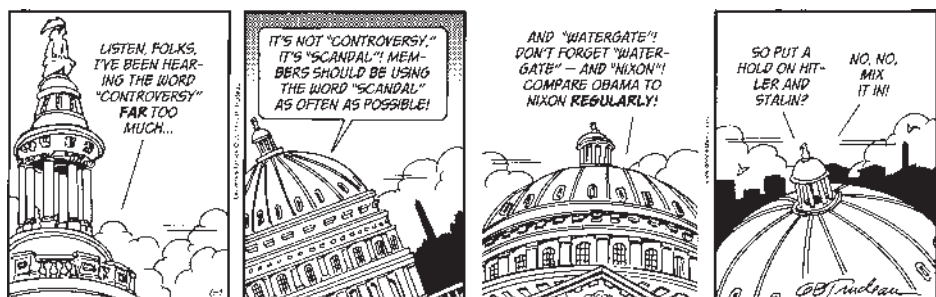
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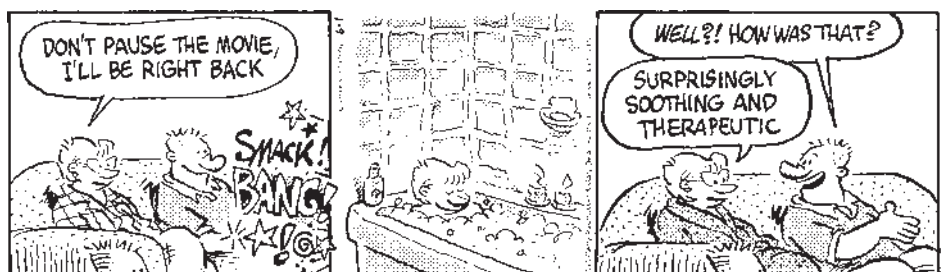
The Family Circus



Doonesbury



Betty



Big Nate



Frank & Ernest



Arlo and Janis



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'Epic' (PG) In 3D 1:40 p.m., 7:05 p.m.
'Fast & Furious 6' (R) 12:45 p.m., 3:50 p.m., 7:10 p.m., 10:15 p.m. No passes.
'The Hangover 3' (R) 1:15 p.m., 4:30 p.m., 7:30 p.m., 10:30 p.m. No passes.
'Now You See Me' (PG-13) 1 p.m., 4:10 p.m., 7:20 p.m., 10:20 p.m.
'Star Trek: Into Darkness' (PG-13) 12:50 p.m., 4 p.m., 7 p.m.
'Star Trek: Into Darkness' (PG-13) In 3D. 10:05 p.m. No passes.

'Epic' (PG) 3:45 p.m., 9:45 p.m.
'Epic' (PG) In 3D. 1:05 p.m., 6:45 p.m.
'Fast & Furious 6' (R) 12:45 p.m., 3:55 p.m., 7:10 p.m., 10:15 p.m. No passes.
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'The Great Gatsby' (PG-13) In 3D. 12:50 p.m., 6:55 p.m. No passes.
'The Hangover 3' (R) 1:15 p.m., 4:45 p.m., 7:45 p.m., 10:20 p.m. No passes.
'Iron Man 3' (PG-13) 1:20 p.m., 7:20 p.m.
'Iron Man 3' (PG-13) In 3D. 4:05 p.m., 10 p.m.
'Now You See Me' (PG-13) 1:35 p.m., 4:40 p.m., 7:40 p.m., 10:30 p.m.
'Star Trek: Into Darkness' (PG-13) 1 p.m., 4 p.m., 7 p.m., 9:55 p.m. No passes.
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CELEBRITY CIPHER by Luis Campos

Celebrity Cipher cryptograms are created from quotations by famous people, past and present. Each letter in the cipher stands for another.

TODAY'S CLUE: G sjenba d

'RYILRR BR CJP OBCHZ, OHBZYWL
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Previous Solution: 'It's funny, I remember doing the Johnny Carson show, and, uh, I couldn't afford my rent.' - Natalie Merchant

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