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CLERMONT

Christmas at the 'White House'

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The Presidents Hall of Fame, one of Clermont's oldest attractions, will forever have a day to recognize as its own.

On Nov. 16, many of South Lake's city officials and those belonging to the South Lake Chamber of Commerce gathered together for a ribbon cutting and reading of a city proclamation declaring Nov. 16 as "Presidents Hall of Fame Day."

Attendees listened as Councilman Ray Goodgame read the proclamation, which included recognizing the museum's presence in the community since 1961 and its 50th year anniversary this month, its owners John and Jan Zweifel, and the commemoration of the return of the scale-model replica of the White House that had been on tour throughout the United States since 1976.

PRESIDENTS HALL OF FAME

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In July, it made its debut at the Clermont museum.

"After years of living here, I now know where the 'Gem of the Hill' is," Goodgame said in reference to Clermont's own motto. "This (the Presidents Hall of Fame Museum) is it. It is truly a Gem of the Hill."

John Zweifel called the event "an honor," but clarified that while he and Jan are the technical owners of the museum, like the real White House in Washington, he thinks of the museum and the replica as "The People's House."

"We are just the guardians. Everybody owns the White House," John Zweifel said. "And we love sharing it with all of you because there is no other place like this anywhere in the world.

"(Ronald) Reagan once called it a national treasure."

Jan Zweifel said she's looking forward to the next 50 years and more.

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ABOVE: The miniature White House at the Presidents Hall of Fame displaying holiday decor.
BELOW: Jan Zweifel makes Christmas decorations for the miniature White House, which is now on display at the Presidents Hall of Fame in Clermont.

MINNEOLA

Did policy misstep lead to tragedy?

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A little more than six months ago, a 10-year-old Minneola boy died at his south Lake County bus stop after an illegal alien allegedly ran over him. And it should never have happened, one immigration expert contends.

According to Jessica Vaughan, director of policy studies for the Center for Immigration Studies in Washington, DC, the death of Anthony Moore at the hands of Mario Alberto Saucedo is a perfect example of why changes are needed in the deportation program called Secure Communities.

MARIO SAUCEDO

The program — managed by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) — was designed to identify foreign nationals, mainly illegal aliens, who are involved in crimes so they are removed and not allowed to continue living in the United States in defiance of immigration laws.

The problem, Vaughan recently told the Homeland Security Advisory Council's Task Force on Secure Communities, is that local authorities all too commonly drop felony charges upon learning that ICE has issued a detainer on a subject they believe is removable.

"Thus, ICE becomes an unwilling pressure valve used by prosecutors and police to mitigate the effects of burgeoning state and local criminal court dockets, although they are often ignorant of the adverse impact this has on ICE's ability to timely and effectively remove aliens charged with crimes," she said.

Vaughan, who worked as a foreign

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BUSHNELL

Military order for vets behind bars

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Life has just become more regimented for about 84 inmates at Sumter Correctional Institution in Bushnell. And they all volunteered.

In the latest re-entry program overseen by the Florida Department of Corrections, veterans at the Bushnell prison have started living the military life. Simply called the "Veteran's Dormitories," the program was instituted four months ago at five Florida prisons, including those at Lowell in Marion County and Martin, Gulf and Santa Rosa counties.

Participating inmates are required to conduct a daily flag raising, abide by military standards,

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Marine Corps veterans Thaddius Williams, left, and Andrew Lewis prepare to present colors.

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My family, because family is truly everything.
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GROVELAND

Being alive and healthy ... and retired.
ROGER RITCHASON
GROVELAND

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"We hope we can all work together for many years to come. We're looking forward to big things," she said.

Many of those in attendance, though having lived in the area for years, admitted that Nov. 16 was their first visit into the Presidents Hall of Fame.

After looking around at the loads of memorabilia and history located inside the museum, many of those people also said they regretted never having visited before and not realizing the value of what for 50 years, has stood right before them.

Of all the attractions inside however, the 10-ton, 60-foot by 20-foot White House replica was the biggest hit.

"This is one of the premier attractions in South Lake County and it's really the coup de grace to have the miniature back in Clermont because it's a one-of-a-kind thing," Ray San Fratello, executive director of the chamber, said.

"The intricate exquisite details have to be seen to be believed, from the tiny functional TVs and light fixtures that really light up, to the miniutensils on the table.

Cecilia Smith, who works at Lake County's Office of Economic Development and Tourism, said she'd like to see more tourist-focused promotions surrounding the museum.

"Now that we have a more aggressive economic development team, we are discovering treasures here in Lake County and this is one of them," Smith said.

Clermont City Manager Wayne Saunders agreed, adding that he wishes more people knew about the museum because "it's such a fantastic place to visit."

And if people do visit from now until about mid-January, they will be treated to witnessing the White House completely decked out for the holidays.

In preparation, the Zweifels have been working on the replica's transformation for the last six weeks, adding about 100 miniature Christmas trees, dozens of wreaths, tiny red bows and holiday themed decorations, snow and more than 1000 lights to the replica.

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Making miniature Christmas decorations is painstaking work for Jan Zweifel.

As always, everything in the replica is exactly the way it looks in the White House today.

And when something changes in the White House, it changes in the Clermont White House, as well.

Volunteer Frank Hense said that since there are not very many people who actually get to see the White House, the Zweifels' replica is a good way to get a feel for the building..

"We want to create the experience and make people feel they were really in the White House," John Zweifel said.

Zweifel can also answer any questions about the White House replica or the real one, and recite facts and answer trivia about most of the presidents, the first ladies, the conventions and more.

In fact, since the 1970s, when the Zweifels started on the project, they have met many of the presidents and families personally, attended almost every Republican and Democratic convention, have stayed at the White House, and gathered memorabilia galore.

The museum, John said, holds about 10 percent of his entire collection. That is why one day, he hopes to expand it and share even more.

Gary Tolley, a local businessman and chamber ambassador, had a simpler, yet impossible, wish.

"The replica is so detailed and full of so much detail that is makes me wish I could turn tiny and really get a good look at everything in it, and walk through all the rooms," Tolley said. "But seriously, it's amazing."

In addition to the White House replica, the museum houses hundreds of other displays, including a state dining room replica and dioramas of 12 detailed presidential oval offices down to working television sets.

There are wax statues of all 43 presidents and two first ladies, and thousands of pieces of memorabilia.

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service officer with the U.S. State Department before joining the Center for Immigration Studies, specifically mentioned the Saucedo case when addressing the task force.

Moore was struck shortly before 8 a.m. on May 10 at the corner of Lake Minneola Shores Road and Oklahoma Street, the Florida Highway Patrol said.

Saucedo did not flee the scene and there was no question that he hit and killed Moore.

"Saucedo had at least two prior charges for DUI and a probation violation, but prosecutors had declined to pursue convictions, or charge Saucedo with the criminal offense of unlicensed driving in the prior offenses, enabling him to escape the ICE attention that could have saved the little boy's life if he had been removed promptly when first brought to the attention of police and prosecuting authorities," Vaughan said.

The day after his arrest by the FHP last May, ICE put a detainer on Saucedo because he had been identified as a Mexican national.

Although he could have faced felony charges of driving without a license and causing death or serious injury, and driving with an expired license for more than six months, court records show that Saucedo was given a misdemeanor charge of driving without a license.

Walter Forgie, an assistant state attorney in charge of the Lake County prosecutor's office, said the decision to charge Saucedo with a misdemeanor "had nothing to do with Saucedo's immigration status or ICE in any way, shape or form."

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South Lake Briefs

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Kiwanis hosts Santa's Hut toy Drive on Dec. 2

Kiwanis Club of South Lake will host its Santa's Hut Toy Drive and free pictures with Santa on Dec. 2.

Santa and Mrs. Claus, along with their hard-working elves, will be accepting donations of toys and food during the Light Up Clermont festivities from 6:30 to 9 p.m.

The toys and food will be distributed to underprivileged children in the South Lake area.

Donations also will also be accepted until 2 p.m., Dec. 3.

For information call Lucy Hage at 352-446-3853.

GROVELAND

3 schools get $550 minigrants for gardens

Three Groveland schools are receiving $500 school garden minigrants from Florida Agriculture in the Classroom.

The grants will fund schoolyard and classroom garden projects.

According to the grant guidelines, school garden projects must grow only Florida fruits and vegetables, and must educate students about the importance of Florida agriculture.

Schools awarded the minigrants are:

■ Gray Middle (agriscience teacher Casey Ferguson)

■ Groveland Elementary (third-grade teachers Noris Aguayo and Tiffany Forsyth)

■ South Lake High (agriscience teachers Sara Eck and Cori Griffin)

The "Gardening for Grades" is free to Florida teachers. Log on to www.flagintheclassroom.com for information.

CLERMONT

St. Nicholas Festival is Dec. 3 at St. Matthias

There will be a free St. Nicholas Day celebration from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Dec. 3, on the side lawn at St. Matthias Episcopal Church, 574 W. Montrose St., downtown Clermont.

Hot cocoa and cookies will be served throughout the day, and children will be able to participate in games, puzzles and make a St. Nicholas ornament.

St. Nicholas will visit bearing candy and fruit and photos.

For details call 352-394-3855.

GROVELAND

Faith Neighborhood Center needs community's help

The FAITH Neighborhood Center, a nonprofit agency in South Lake County provides clothing and household items, as well as food to needy families in South Lake County.

All services are provided at no cost to clients.

At the present time, donations are down and the center, located at 7432 S.R. 50 in Groveland, is in need of clothing.

Call 352-429-1200 for information.

CLERMONT

American history essay contest is under way

The Tomoka Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution in Clermont is sponsoring an essay contest for Grades 5-12 in public, parochial, private and home schools.

In grades 5-8, the topic is "The War of 1812."

For grades 9-12, the topic is "Christopher Columbus."

Essays are due on or before Dec. 2.

For information call Joanne Rhodes at 352-242-1744, or send an email to grhodes13@cfl.rr.com.

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Alzheimer's support group meets on Dec. 8

A support group for caregivers of Alzheimer's meets at 2 p.m. the second and fourth Thursdays of each month at Clermont Health and Rehabilitation Center, 151 E. Minnehaha Ave., Clermont.

The next meeting is Dec. 8.

For information call Linda Begley of Clermont Health and Rehab at 352-394-2188, ext. 302.

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‘Pinocchio’ dazzles audiences at Moonlight Theatre

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The Moonlight Theatre’s newest show — “Pinocchio,” written by William Glennon and performed with permission from Dramatists Publishing — opened Nov. 18 with nearly a full house.

Director James “Scotty” Schultz said he was pleased with his cast and the way the performers won the entire crowd.

“It’s not the Disney version, so there is no long nose and no Jiminy Cricket, but it’s still basically the same story,” Schultz said. “It’s about Pinocchio learning to walk, to share and about learning what’s naughty and nice. Most importantly, Pinocchio learns that going to school is more important than having fun.”

Schultz said on opening night some of the children in the audience got so into the performance that when Pinocchio (on the stage) was walking toward trouble, they began talking to him and trying to warn him of impending danger by exclaiming, “No, don’t go that way, go the other way.”

“It’s a super show to bring your kids to or for grandparents to bring their grandchildren to,” Schultz said.

The show includes the classic characters Geppetto, Fire Eater, Fox, Cat and the Blue Fairy, who in this version of the story is Pinocchio’s conscience.

Schultz said those characters make for a nonstop comedic adventure that is sure to leave the audience breathless with laughter.

On the other hand, some unexpectedly touching moments will leave audience members reaching for a tissue.

“The performers are all super and just caught on to the play amazingly fast. They are a highly talented group,” Schultz said. “They work together professionally and superbly, and play together like family.”

On stage, the character of Pinocchio is being played by Nicolas Neto. Geppetto is being played by Kenny Forthun and the Blue Fairy is Nicole Durbin.

As for Schultz, 69, this is his third directing stint with the Moonlight Theatre, after having started his acting career with the company at the age of 55.

At that time, Schultz said he had an inkling to try out for a bit part in “Man of La Mancha” after attending a “Guys and Dolls” production in the 1990s.

He auditioned and ended up with a small part of the commandant.

After a twist of fate and an actor leaving, Schultz ended up with three significant roles, playing the Knight of the Mirrors, Dr. Carrasco and the Duke in Prison.

Schultz has been hooked ever since.

“That’s how my theatrical career began at the age of 55,” Schultz said.

He’s appeared in about 30 productions with the Moonlight Players, two with the Baystreet Players, and two with the Celebration Players.

Schultz’s first directing came as co-director for a production of “Misery,” after which he went solo and directed “12 Angry Jurors” two years ago, followed by “Holy Cannoli” earlier this year and now “Pinocchio.”

“Pinocchio” runs through Dec. 11 with shows at the theater on 732-B W. Montrose St. in Clermont, beginning 8 p.m on Fridays and Saturdays, and 2 p.m. on Sundays.

Tickets for adults are $15 and tickets for children (ages 3-17 for this show only) are $6 each with at least one paying adult. Normally, children’s tickets are $12.

“Just call it our holiday special,” Schultz said of the price break.

For information or to reserve tickets, call 352-319-1116, or visit www.moonlightplayers.com.

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Nicholas Bethencourt who plays Pinocchio, and Nicole Durbin who is the Blue Fairy during rehearsal of the production “Pinocchio” at the Moonlight Theater.

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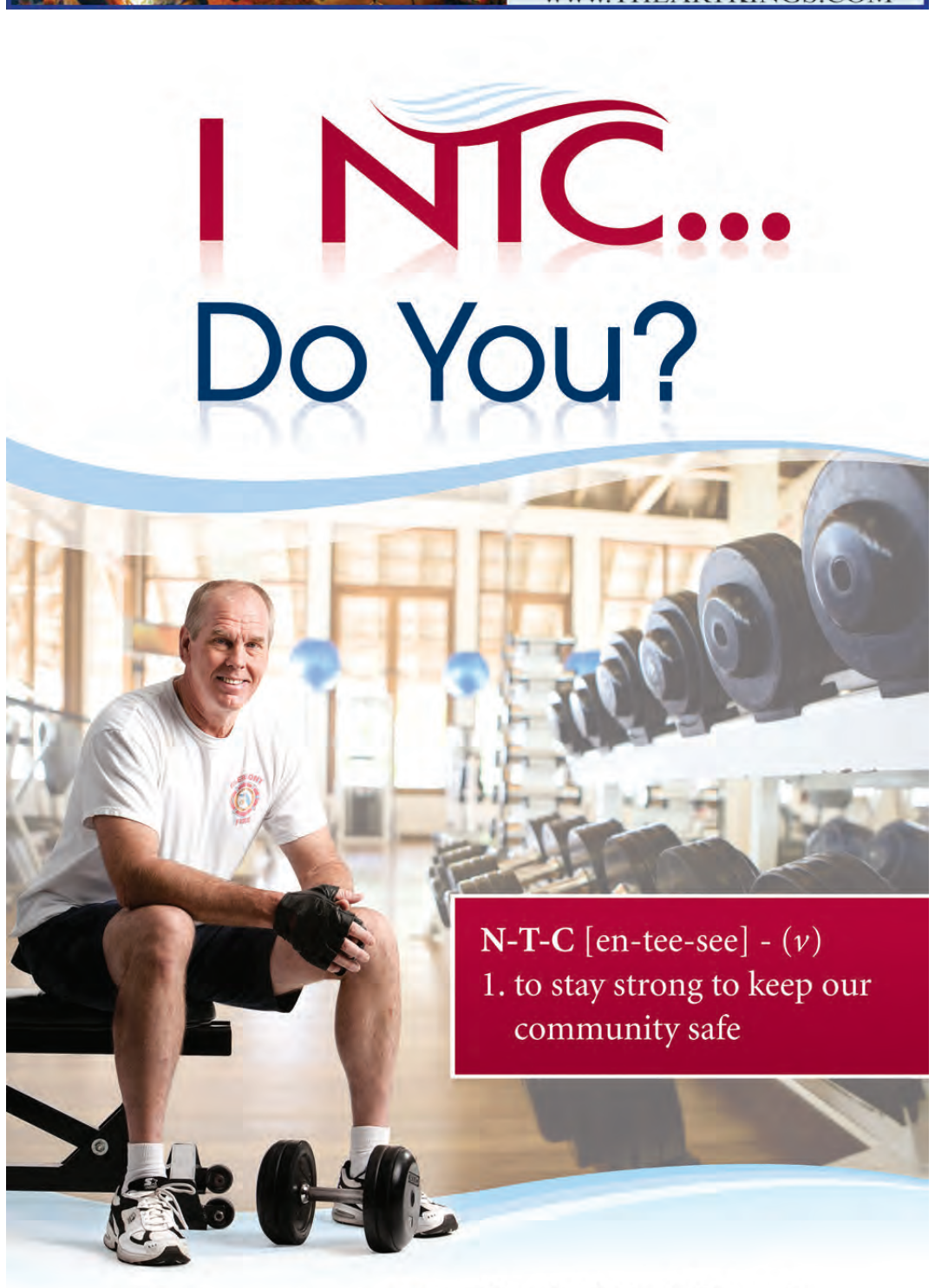
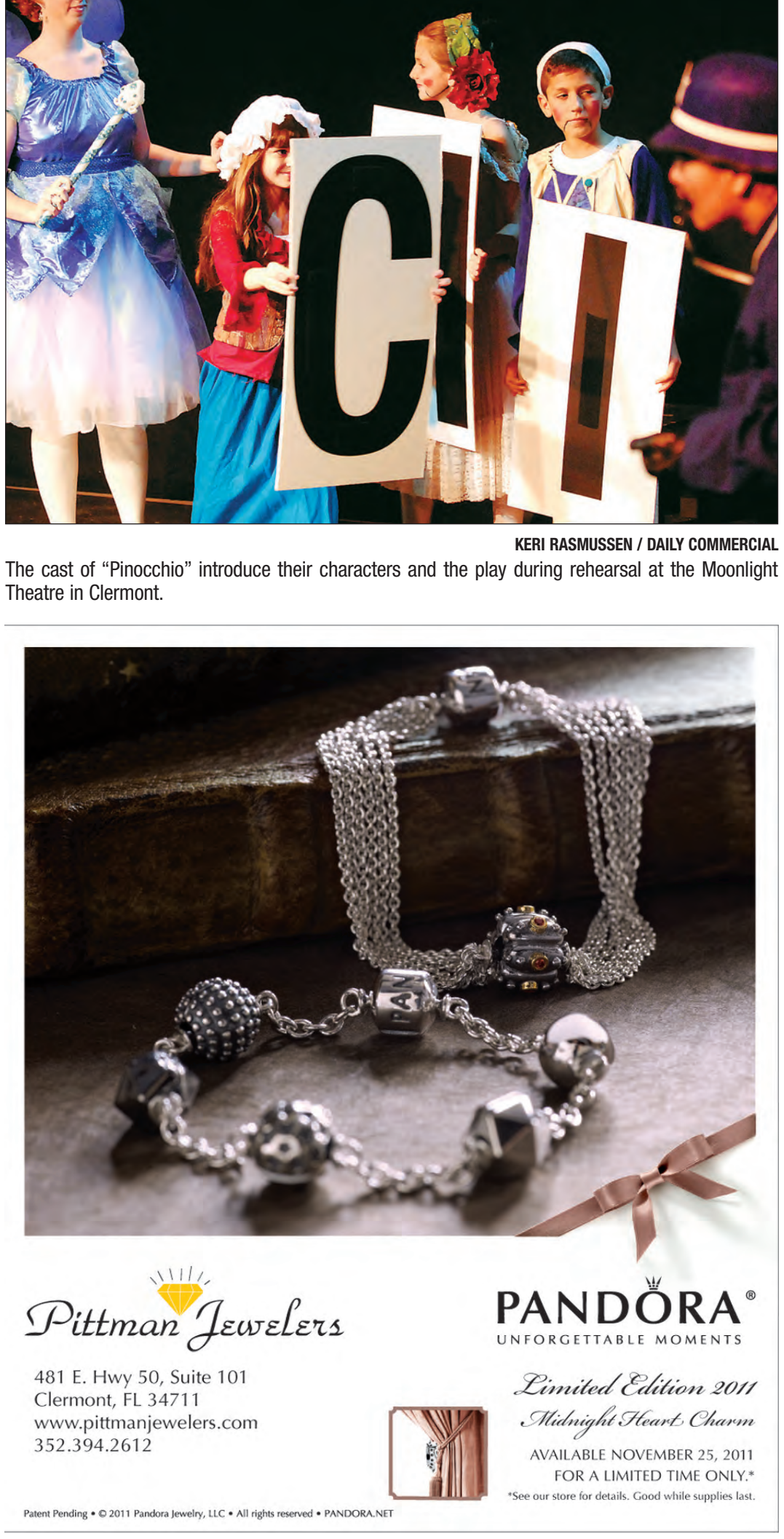
The cast of “Pinocchio” introduce their characters and the play during rehearsal at the Moonlight Theatre in Clermont.





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OUR VOICE

Honor Flight: An effort we support

A TRIP DESERVED: Honor Flight wants to provide seniors who fought in World War II the opportunity to see the national war memorial. Those seniors deserve the chance to reconnect with that part of themselves — so savagely torn from their youth.

The horrors of World War II are fading. The most intimate and vivid memories of what happened on the battlefields live in the memories of those who served.

But it's been 66 years. And those who served are a diminishing breed. They range in ages from 84 to the late 90s.

World War II transformed our nation, and only history — and the memories — keeps the lessons of the human struggle alive.

A newly formed group, Honor Flight for Lake, Sumter and Marion counties, wants to provide seniors the opportunity to visit Washington, D.C., to see the national memorial.

Organizers believe the veterans deserve a free flight. The first trip is planned for April 2012.

The group wants to raise enough money to send about 100 veterans living in the counties of Marion, Lake or Sumter to see the memorial.

The memorial honors the 16 million people who served in the U.S. armed forces during the war and the 400,000 who died.

"I'm so passionate about this," said Debbie Winters, an Honor Flight volunteer, who has been contacting organizations and businesses with hopes they will help pay $500 to sponsor a veteran.

Unless you've served or witnessed military combat, it's difficult to fathom the sacrifice of veterans.

We urge our readers to find a way to give. Find a way to help.

Those seniors who served deserve to see and reconnect with that part of themselves — so savagely torn from their youth.

This was a fight for good. This was a battle for what's noble and right. This was a war for the history books.

Some 75 veterans have signed up, yet Winters expects more.

More than 1,000 World War II veterans die each day. The time is imperative.

To help, call Allison Metcalfe, local coordinator, at 352-446-2900, or volunteer Debbie Winters at 503-577-6595.

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YOUR OPINIONS

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

We must seize the tide, or fall victim to 'evil empire'

Since my last letter to the newspaper those guys who wear $2,500 pinstripe suits have really been showing their bitterness toward the average working people.

Today, you can't tell the difference between the Wall Street parasites and Republican politicians; they are twins!

Their (exceedingly obvious) goal is to impoverish almost all Americans; deny countless citizens the right to vote; deny them health care and decent wages; destroy their unions; and even deny the majority of American children a decent education and health care.

Those objectives are immoral and exceedingly un-Christian to say the least!

Hey, that's not to mention that the Cheney-Bush and associates Republican administration (through their lies and erroneous propaganda) initiated not just one but two unnecessary wars that cost the ultimate sacrifice and permanent disabilities of so many young Americans; and a financial cost which still remains unknown and hidden in truth, a likely $3 trillion.

Considering the unmentioned "fringe costs." They simply ran a "tab" on all that for future working people and their descendants to pay, while in the same timeframe borrowed money from China to give the rich and corporations "big-time" tax breaks and subsidies they don't need.

Even today the "party of NO" won't let the Democrats put a fair tax on the rich, who own so many politicians.

We must understand that the words (lies) and actions of the Republican "party of NO" emanate from their ignorance and greed; not because they lack formal education, but rather from their high egos and low morality and greed which are the forces that direct them.

Therefore, don't hate them, but rather pity them and pray for them because they have allowed themselves to become pawns of evil forces.

Meanwhile, Americans engaged in protests in cities across our nation have awakened and see these truths, and they realize that if we do not turn this tide, we could become what we once labeled the Soviet Union — "an evil empire"!

CARL A. FERGUSON | Leesburg

Vets, keep up with news, or suffer consequences

In the best interest of the many U.S. military veterans and the many honorable military retirees, I find a significant void of information emanating from the mouths of my former comrades-at-arms.

Is that due to their incompetence to keep abreast of the plight of military veteran rights and medical care? Or is it due to the disrespect of the national media which tends to brush-off military veterans' concerns into the usual big dust bin of yesterdays news?

It must stop!

So, I ask every military veteran to ensure that you know what is going on, and what is being denied from you everyday. Consult your veterans magazines and its newspapers. Also, consult the military computer news briefs as much as possible.

Read every issue of your service newspaper or magazine ... no matter if you are ex Army, Navy, Marine, Coast Guard or Air Force. You'll be surprised what you can glean from these intelligent monthly newspapers. All you have to do is open up your service newspaper ... and read!

Also, ensure your hometown TV, radio and newspapers keep you informed about America's veterans' needs.

And contact your local, state and national politicians in your area. Ask that they strive to make life a bit easier for us veterans, who may still struggle to find the right information for success.

Obviously, President Obama and Congress only seem interested in reducing your benefits — but not theirs!

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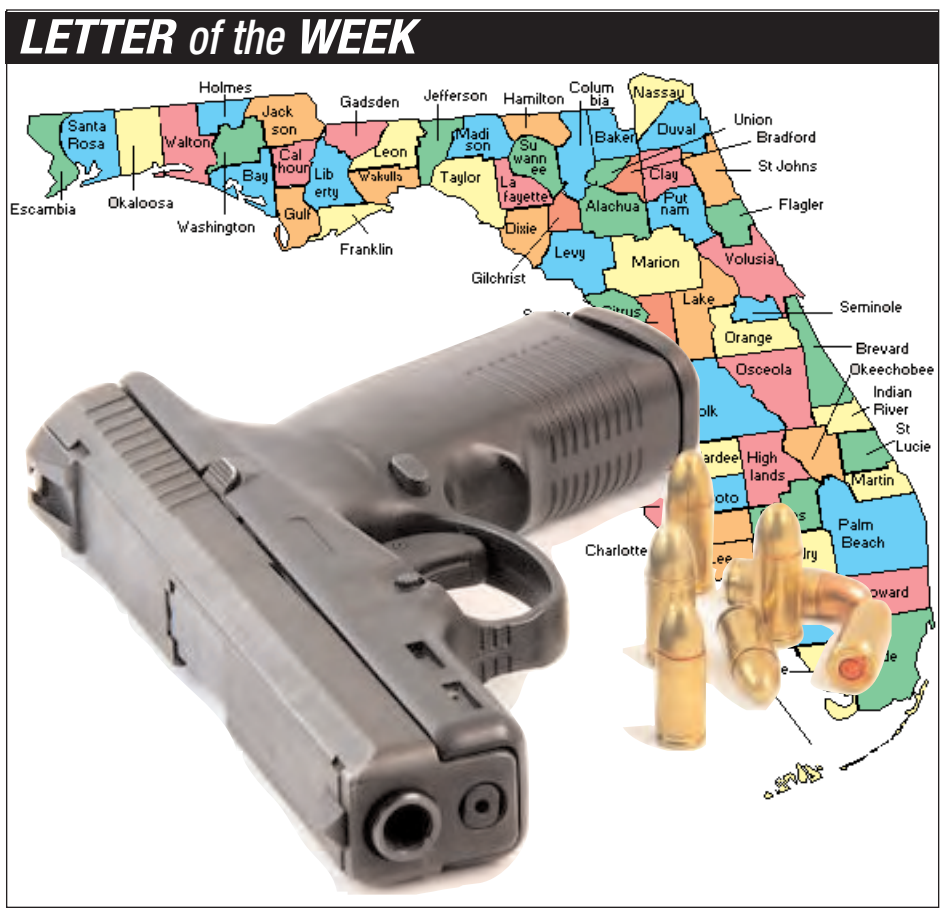

State gun laws need provisions for reckless endangerment

The new Florida gun law brings out necessity of provision for reckless endangerment of citizens.

The recent article (Public Policy Polling) in reference to problems with the new gun law, brought some concerns to mind.

The failure in the law to provide for a "reckless endangerment to others provision," should have been addressed, and I am sure that it soon will be. The article mentioned that our local legislator, Sen. Alan Hays, will address local concerns when he returns to the state Legislature.

Personally, it is sad to read that a property owner that exercises his right to firearms seemingly cares more about his own rights rather than the safety of others.

In the article, it also mentions, that a local police officer stated he could lose his job and receive a $5,000 fine. I contacted the governor's office, which transferred me to a department that looks up new and older state laws that are in existence. The young man I spoke with stated that the law was not for police officers but for local officials who make laws.

It seems the new bill that addresses local, county and municipal laws is intended to erase laws that contradict state laws. While I agree that laws should have conformity, I totally understand why municipal laws were enacted.

It is the responsibility of state legislators, however, to now enact safety measures. When gun owners are so irresponsible that they have to be treated like misbehaving children, reckless endangerment of others should be a law.

As a supporter of the Second Amendment, it is my opinion that it is worded to mean exactly what it says: "The right of the people to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed upon." However, that right carries a huge responsibility in the use of those arms.

RON ELDRIDGE | Lady Lake

PRISON

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refrain from profanity and participate in other military-like duties.

At the Sumter Correctional Institution, there's even a color guard where inmates must have polished boots and tidy personal attire. Their dormitories are set up almost as replicas of military boot camp housing — with their bunk beds neatly made up and footlockers beside them.

An American flag is painted on a wall, and flags are posted outside the dorm. Inside, military creeds from various branches of the service are posted throughout the dorms.

"A lot of dignity and pride is coming back to these guys," said Paulette Julien, assistant warden of programs at the Sumter prison.

On a recent sunny day, members of the prison's color guard could be seen practicing their marching. They were led by Andre Lewis, a United States Marine Corps veteran who is completing a prison bid on a sex-crime conviction.

"Your left. Your left. Your left, right, left."

One prisoner outside the group even clapped after seeing the performance.

"We've all lost a lot of discipline," Lewis said. "This is a good way to get it back."

Florida Department of Corrections officials said the program is helping inmates who took a wrong turn after their military service get back on track.

Harlan Mackall, 48, a three-year Army veteran, is finishing a prison bid on an armed robbery conviction. He said after getting out of the military, his life turned to drugs.

"I'm hoping the program will get me back on the right road," he said.

The program also includes 61-year-old Thaddeus Williams, a five-year USMC vet who served time in Vietnam.

He's in prison on a drug trafficking conviction.

"This really brings back memories," said Williams, standing at attention beside his bunk.

Robert Perkins, 78, the oldest member in the program, said the same thing. The Army vet spent time fighting in Korea.

While Lewis is considered the gunnery sergeant of the program, it's more in name only.

"You can't give an inmate the authority over another one," said Jeffrey P. Trovillion, the prison's warden.

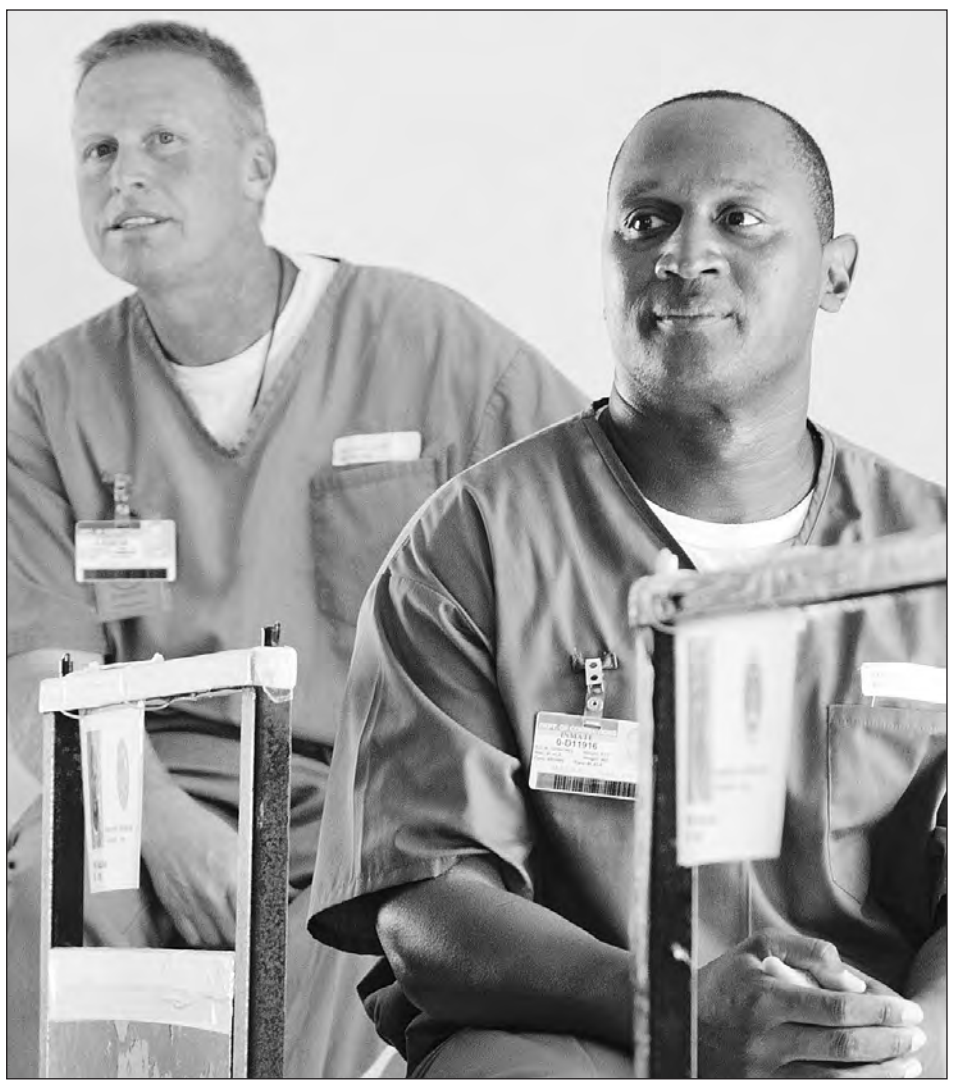
The Sumter prison has about 1,850 inmates.

Numbers weren't available on how many are military veterans. But the Florida DOC estimates that 6.7 percent of its 101,000 inmates are veterans.

Only inmate veterans with three years or fewer remaining on their prison sentences can volunteer to participate in the program.

The program also provides inmates the opportunity to participate in specialized prerelease services, such as cognitive thinking training, Post Traumatic Stress Disorder counseling and improved access to Veterans Affairs Benefits.

"It's a good way to make sure that once they are released, they can stay out," said prison Sgt. Gerald Vanderham, who runs the program at the prison.



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ABOVE: Inmates John Keena, left, and Harlan Mackall. **BELOW:** Inmates relax before lunch in the veterans dorm at the Sumter Correctional Institution.

LAKE COUNTY

Parents: Beware of vodka-soaked gummy bears

Staff Report

Lake County's substance abuse prevention coalition, Safe Climate, is warning parents, teachers and law enforcement of an alarming new fad kids are using to get buzzed — vodka soaked gummy bears.

This fad has quickly gone viral via YouTube and other Internet vehicles, with videos showing the candy quickly soaking up the alcohol and masking the taste, coalition Executive Director Debi MacIntyre said.

The cities of Jacksonville and Miami are already reporting problems there.

According to MacIntyre, this new trend allows teens to consume alcohol without carrying bottles, cans or a flask.

Most adults are completely unaware, and the teens even laugh about consuming right in the presence of their parents, she said.

As more and more people begin experimenting with the fad, they have been quick to share tips via the Internet, such as using raspberry flavored vodka to further hide the taste and smell of the alcohol.

Safe Climate's main concern is that teens are unaware of the amount of alcohol they are ingesting, MacIntyre said.

Stories are circulating of teens using 100-proof alcohol leading to the potential of alcohol toxicity which is a dangerous medical condition that can even lead to death.

"Discuss this with the teens in your life, and to make sure that any gummy candy they are consuming is alcohol free," MacIntyre said.

Started in 2003, the Safe Climate Coalition is comprised of concerned Lake County citizens determined to understand the substance use and abuse challenges in this area.

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CLERMONT | PINK PARTY AT SUPERIOR RESIDENCES

COURTESY PHOTO

Staff, residents and guests of Superior Residences of Clermont, Assisted Living and Memory Care Community wore pink on Oct. 21 for a Pink Party in support of Breast Cancer Awareness month. Eight residents and one staff member are survivors. The group released pink balloons representing a loved one who survived or lost their bout with breast cancer. The event was sponsored by Nurse on Call in The Villages and raised money for the South Lake Hospital Mammography Fund.

CLERMONT | KIWANIS INDUCTION

COURTESY PHOTO

Karen Dorr and Jack Kennedy were inducted into the Kiwanis Club of South Lake and were presented with their Kiwanis pins by their sponsors at a recent meeting. Ann Dupee sponsored Dorr and Linda Sheets sponsored Kennedy. The Kiwanis Club of South Lake meets at 7:30 a.m., Thursdays, at Cheeser's Palace. From left are Dupee, Dorr, Kennedy and Sheets.

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December 7, 6:30 PM – 9:00 PM
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December 14, 6:00 PM – 10:00 PM
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February 22, 6:00 PM – 10:00 PM
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CLERMONT | 'THE SINGING TREE'

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The South Lake County Historical Society would like to thank all the people who came to "The Singing Tree" concert on Oct. 16 at the Jenkins Auditorium in Clermont. Guests enjoyed two hours of enchanting music with Ray Belanger and Lloyd Goldstein as they shared their talents playing music from China, France, Ireland, Israel, Scotland and Spain. The duo played one of Goldstein's own compositions.

CYPRESS RIDGE ELEMENTARY | TERRIFIC KIDS

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Dam closing talk stirs outrage

Critics say plans will hurt local lakes

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Frustrated with water managers' plans to temporarily close two dams and shut off water flow to Lake Griffin, critics are hoping to mount a show of opposition at an upcoming legislative summit.

The St. Johns River Water Management District recently announced that it will close the dam at the Apopka-Beauclair Canal and the Burrell dam on Haines Creek starting Dec. 8 and continuing as late as April 30, just as it did a year ago. The district also will reduce water flow at the Moss Bluff dam in Marion County.

The move is intended to help maintain water levels in the Harris Chain of Lakes and Lake Apopka, as well as protect water quality, particularly in polluted Lake Apopka, district spokesman Hank Largin said. The lower the water levels, the more sediment can be stirred up.

But Fruitland Park resident Ann Wettstein Griffin says the plan will benefit Lake Apopka to the detriment of the chain of lakes. She said she has gathered nearly 600 signatures on a petition opposing the closing of the dams. She hopes many of those objectors attend the Lake Apopka Summit on Dec. 14 at the Clermont campus of Lake-Sumter Community College. Griffin said she also is trying to retain a lawyer who will represent the stakeholders.

State Sen. Alan Hays, R-Umatilla, who is spearheading the summit, said he was aware of the conflict over the dams, but the meeting will address only Lake Apopka restoration efforts. No public comments will be heard.

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> *— Skip Goerner, chairman of the Harris Chain of Lakes Restoration Council*

All agencies that have spent money on the restoration efforts will make presentations on the costs and results of their work, Hays said. Those agencies include the Harris Chain of Lakes Restoration Council, whose chairman, Skip Goerner, also opposes the closing of the dams. He will address the summit panel, and he said he hopes for a large turnout.

"They're cutting off Lake Griffin to maintain poor water quality in Lake Apopka," Goerner said.

Both Griffin and Goerner presented their arguments to the district board at its Nov. 8 meeting. Goerner said his council recommended that the district maintain water levels at the highest possible levels during the sportfish spawning season, which is now through the spring.

Griffin, a former Lake County Water Authority board member who lives on Lake Griffin, says lakes Harris, Eustis, Dora and Beauclair will become stagnant with low oxygen, and fish will suffer. Lake Griffin, Haines Creek and Ocklawaha River will continue to lose water, she added. Water flows north from Lake Apopka through the Apopka-Beauclair Canal and into the Harris Chain, and eventually through the dam on Haines Creek and into Lake Griffin, the last lake in the chain.

While Griffin maintains that the water level of Lake Griffin is execessively low, Largin said last winter's five-month pilot study showed that water levels in the Harris Chain were 6 inches higher than they would have been if the dams had not been closed last winter. He said that water levels are low now because of less rainfall than usual in recent years. This year, the forecast again is for a winter with less-than-average rainfall, he said.

Goerner disputes that the closing of the dams resulted in better water levels. He said that last winter did not turn out to be as dry as expected, and that there actually was more rainfall than average, which raised the water levels. He said the water levels in all the lakes should be equalized relative to land elevation. He said Lake Griffin is a foot below its minimum desired water level, while the upper lakes are 6 inches below their minimum desired levels.

"If you put just one inch in Lake Griffin, it means over 100 acres of shoreline habitat. That's considerable," Goerner said.

Griffin believes that a group called Friends of Lake Apopka carries political influence with the district. The Winter Garden-based group is dedicated to restoration of the lake.

"The money's over there in Lake Apopka," Griffin said. "They're not willing to sacrifice Lake Apopka, but one way or another all the lakes are getting hurt, and Lake Griffin is getting the worst of it."

Griffin also pointed to a recent outbreak of microcystis, toxic algae, along her shoreline that she suspects was caused by the previous closing of the dams. Goerner, however, said the lower the water levels, the more wind can blow algae across lakes, and that could be the cause of the problem. Largin said the district was unaware of any problems with toxic algae on Lake Griffin.

A young volunteer scours the bottom of Lake Harris during the Ibini Tera cleanup at Hickory Point Recreational Complex in Tavares in 2010.

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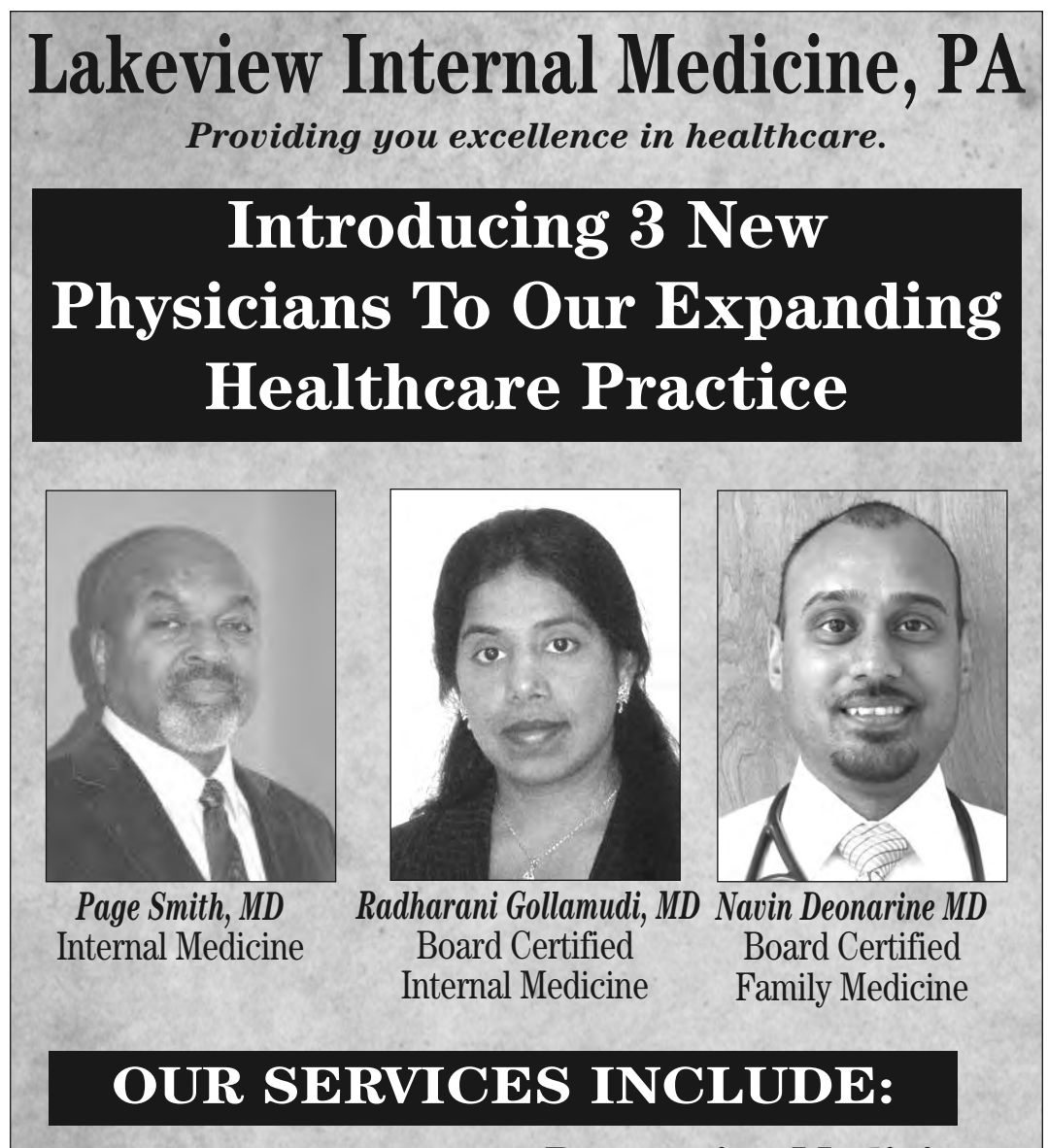

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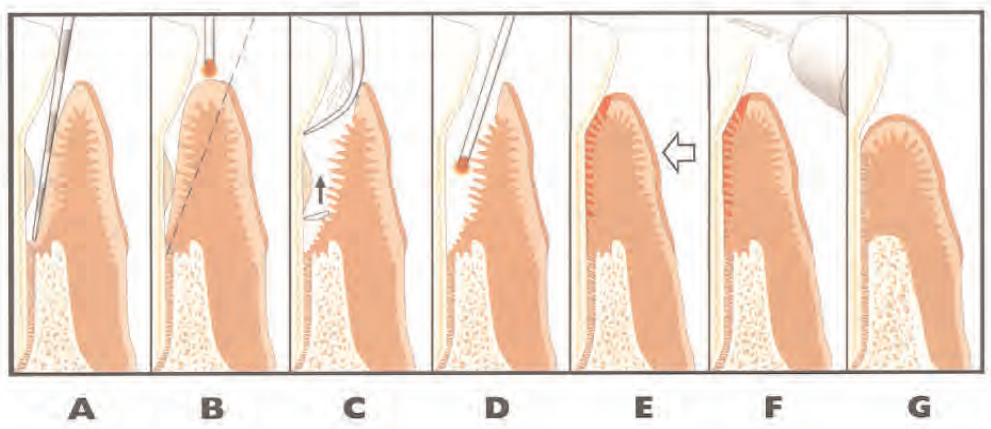

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MASCOTTE

Crimeline hikes reward for cold case

Staff Report

Crimeline, which normally pays tipsters up to $1,000 if they help solve a crime, has upped the ante to $7,000 for information on a three-year-old unsolved murder in Mascotte.

The slaying is among 13 cold cases — mostly murders, missing people and bank robberies — now eligible for "Enhanced Awards" from Crimeline.

The facts of the case are:

At around 9:24 p.m. on Oct. 31, 2008, Mascotte police responded to a report of a home invasion robbery and shooting at a white mobile home at 828 Anderson Ave. They found two people shot, one of whom later died.

Witnesses and the surviving victim said a young white female and young, light-skinned male (white or Hispanic), entered the residence pointing small, black-colored, semautomatic pistols at the victims and witnesses.

The female suspect spoke some Spanish, while the male subject had a dark-colored covering over his head/facial area and dark sunglasses on. Both demanded money and cell phones.

The surviving victim resisted, not wanting to give up his money, and the female shot him.

One of the two suspects then shot the second victim, who later died.

The two then fled on foot in east on Anderson Avenue and then toward State Route 50.

In the past 12 months, Crimeline has given out more than $260,000 in rewards to tipsters.

It has received more than 10,000 tips, cleared more than 1,000 cases and helped arrest nearly 800 people.

Anyone with information about the Mascotte murder may call Crimeline at 1-800-423-TIPS (8477) and speak to someone.

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GROVELAND

Couple charged with child neglect, drug possession

Staff Report

Police have charged a Groveland couple with child neglect and two drug counts after responding to a call about a child having trouble breathing and finding marijuana in the house, reports said.

Matthew Temples, 25, and Shelsea Temples, 22, of 15718 State Road 19, Groveland, are both charged with neglect of child, possession of cannabis and possession of drug paraphernalia.

According to an arrest affidavit, police responded to the residence and found the child sitting on a couch. The responding officer said he could smell marijuana in the home.

After making sure the child was being checked by Lake EMS, the officer said Matthew Temples admitted that he and his wife had been smoking marijuana. The officer then received permission to search a portion of the home, finding 3.2 grams of marijuana, rolling papers, two glass bongs, a pipe and other paraphernalia, the affidavit said.

The Department of Children and Families got involved and allowed the child to be turned over to Shelsea Temple's mother, police said.

LAKE COUNTY

Water district establishes new irrigation rules

Staff Report

Once-a-week lawn and landscape irrigation is in effect in Lake County with the ending of daylight saving time on Nov. 12.

The rules for Standard Time, according to officials with the St. Johns River Water Management District and Lake County Code, include:

■ Irrigation is prohibited between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.

■ Irrigation is limited to no more than once per week on scheduled days.

■ Residential irrigation at odd-numbered addresses or no addresses is allowed on Saturday.

■ Residential irrigation at even-numbered addresses is allowed on Sunday.

■ Nonresidential irrigation is allowed on Tuesday.

■ Irrigation is limited to no more than ¾-inch of water per zone per irrigation day.

■ Irrigation is limited to no more than one hour per irrigation zone per irrigation day.

■ Irrigation is limited to only that amount necessary to meet landscape needs.

■ When reclaimed water is available for use, the use of private irrigation wells is not authorized.

■ Irrigation limitations apply to water withdrawn from ground or surface water, from a private well or pump, or from a public or private utility.

■ Irrigation limitations apply to all landscape irrigation not currently regulated by a consumptive-use permit.

Typically, this includes residential, commercial and industrial establishments.

■ People irrigating with an automatic lawn irrigation system installed after May 1991 shall install, maintain and operate a rain sensor device or switch that overrides the system when adequate rainfall has occurred.

In May 2009, Lake County commissioners approved a local ordinance that mirrors water management district rules.

The first violation of the ordinance is a written warning.

The second violation is a minimum $50 fine with subsequent violations doubling each time to a maximum of $1,000 for each violation.

Residents can make a landscape irrigation complaint by calling the code enforcement services division at 352-343-9639.

A searchable database of open and closed code enforcement cases and complaints is available at www.lakecountyfl.gov, keyword search "code enforcement."

For information about restrictions, visit www.sjrwmd.com-/wateringrestrictions.

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The Orlando Business Journal honored Montverde Academy Headmaster Dr. Kasey C. Kesselring as one of the business publication's "Top Ten Men to Watch 2011" at the Journal's 10th annual Most Influential Businessmen Awards Celebration held Oct. 27 at the Hilton in Orlando. The award is an honor that exemplifies both the dedicated focus and vision of the headmaster. It acknowledges his hard work, significant accomplishments and respected reputation as an academic leader, civic advocate and successful businessman. Following the awards ceremony, Kesselring said, "Knowledge, character and community are the three pillars of Montverde Academy, and I have long believed that our involvement in the community is paramount to setting the right example for our students, faculty, parents and alumni to know and understand the value of service to others."

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IN MEMORY

OBITUARIES

Sara W. Sloan

Sara W. Sloan, 83 of Groveland died Sunday, Nov. 20, 2011 at the Mike Conley Hospice house in Clermont. A Refined, Godly Lady Sara was married to late Rev. G. P. Sloan of Sloans Ridge for 60 years and accompanied him as a Sunday school teacher, pianist and faithful minister's wife for 45 years until his death in May 2005. She was born in Glascock County, Georgia to Emmit & Annie Laura Williams and is survived by her three children Jane Franklin of Clermont, FL, Perry & Sandee Sloan of Bradenton, FL and Dale Odom of Lake Panasoffkee, FL Three Brothers Lewis & Gloria Williams of Louisville, GA, Ernest & Elizabeth Williams of Dade City, Raymond & Susan Williams of Darien, GA, Two Sisters Ruby Johnson of Acworth, GA and Laura & David Smith of Louisville, GA. Her Four grandchildren Rick & Sandy Franklin of Harrisburg, NC, Chris Franklin of New York, NY Chuck & Anna Sloan of Stuart, FL and Greg Franklin of Lake Panasoffkee, FL Four Great Grand Children Ashlee, Miles & Brenna Franklin and Alex Sloan. The family will receive friends on Friday, Nov. 25, 2011 from 5:00 pm until 7:00 at the First Missionary Baptist Church, 118 Myers Blvd. Mascotte, FL 34753 where services will be held at 11:00 am on Saturday, Nov. 26, 2011. Mrs. Sloan will be laid to rest next to her husband at Empire Church Cemetery in Mascotte. Hodges Family Funeral Home, Dade City (352) 567-0000 in charge of arrangements.

DEATH NOTICES

Lou Evan Brannon

Lou Even Brannon, 89, of Groveland, died Saturday, Nov. 19, 2011. Becker Family Funeral Home, Clermont.

Raymond Ralph Busch

Raymond Ralph Busch, 68, of Clermont, died Friday, Nov. 18, 2011. Becker Family Funeral Home, Clermont.

Edward Joseph Kuglich

Edward Joseph Kuglich, 90, of Clermont, died Wednesday, Nov. 16, 2011. Becker Family Funeral Home, Clermont.

Cecil Elwood Lakey

Cecil Elwood Lakey, 91, of Clermont, died Wednesday, Nov. 16, 2011. Becker Family Funeral Home, Clermont

Marie Ella Cecilia LaPierre

Marie Ella Cecilia LaPierre, 84, of Clermont, died Tuesday, Nov. 15, 2011. Becker Family Funeral Home, Clermont.

Jennifer Fay Mohr Richards

Jennifer Fay Mohr Richards, 36, of Minneola, died Wednesday, November 2, 2011. Becker Family Funeral Home, Clermont.

Jack Leon Severyns

Jack Leon Severyns, 70, of Groveland, died Friday, Nov. 18, 2011. Cremation Choices, Minneola.

Julia May Wilcoxon

Julia May Wilcoxon, 91, of Mt. Plymouth, died Wednesday, Nov. 16, 2011. Becker Family Funeral Home, Clermont.

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SOUTH LAKE Business in Action CHAMBER of COMMERCE

IT PAYS TO SHOP SouthLake

It is hard to believe that my year as Board Chairman is coming to an end. The year, with all its successes and challenges, has gone by quickly. As I noted in January, we looked to 2011 as being a positive turning point for businesses and our economy. We have seen signs within our Chamber that we are turning the corner. Our membership has stabilized this year and our retention rate has seen marked improvement. In addition, nearly 175 new members will have joined our South Lake Chamber of Commerce by year end.

We also have seen a number of successes in the Public Policy and Economic Development arena. The Chamber continues to serve as a community leader on issues like local redistricting and the development of a Business Incubator in South Lake, We have jointly hosted a south Lake Summit on water resources with the St. John's River Water Management District, and facilitated three local candidate forums in Groveland, Mascotte and Minneola in partnership with the Daily Commercial and South Lake Press.

Our Education Committee worked to develop enhanced relationships between our schools and the business community and was a voice on a variety of issues including school uniforms, transportation logistics in the area of the new Lake Minneola High and supported the AVID program for middle and high school students looking to pursue a future college experience.

We successfully established a new Sports and Tourism Committee that has worked closely with the Lake County Tourism and Economic Development Department along with South Lake cities and businesses to create an inventory of our diverse sports/tourism assets. The goal in coming years is improved communication and coordination of events and to assist visitors coming here for work, fun, or simple relaxation.

Our major Signature Events including our Annual Gala, Howard Stockton Memorial Golf Outing, Teacher Appreciation Breakfast, and lastly our new Taste of South Lake event that attracted nearly 900 attendees, were all tremendous successes. We continue to be THE organization to create and maintain opportunities for networking and community/business engagement in south Lake County.

I am also pleased to report that after several years of dedicated effort, we have finalized a plan to continue our 40 plus year partnership the City of Clermont and provide management services for a new community center on Montrose Street that will also house our headquarters. Through this partnership we continue to provide information related to opportunities in south Lake County for business development and business relocation.

The bottom line of all that this organization represents is a passionate focus on the success of the entire business community. We have focused on Member First during this year and without fail we have supported each other. Each BAH that is well attended, each Breakfast that provides insight, each issue for which we provide advocacy , each networking opportunity that is offered could not happen without the dedication of the members of this Chamber, the amazing volunteers and the tremendous and creative staff that are truly tireless in their efforts. This Chamber is well positioned to address the issues of the day into 2012 and beyond.

I congratulate Dr. Kasey Kesselring, Headmaster of Montverde Academy as he assumes the role as Chairman. Let us all continue to proudly support the efforts of our Chamber of Commerce.

Lastly, I thank you for affording me the opportunity to serve this organization. It has been a rewarding experience. May each of you have a prosperous and productive new year.

John Moore
2011 Board Chairman

Committee Notes & News

MEMBER SERVICES
Chair: Gary Tolley
In 2011, Member Services focused on two main initiatives that would strengthen the Chamber by growing membership and enhancing their experience. The committee and staff created a marquee event for recruiting new members. Our inaugural Member Drive was held at the Lakeridge Winery. Current members were asked to participate in the contest by inviting potential members to a presentation explaining features and benefits of a Chamber membership. The event was deemed a success and laid the foundation for an annual member drive.
We also worked to develop a Young Professionals group. This group was formed to give our members under the age of 40 an outlet for networking and professional growth. It is from this group that the future Chamber and community leaders will be fostered.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
Chair: Curt Binney
Over the past year, your Economic Development committee has been involved in many initiatives to improve the business climate in Lake County and support future economic development. This year was the culmination of several years of effort realized in the creation of a South Lake Business Opportunity Center at the former visitors center on highway 27, slated to open this January.

We also hosted the first ever water summit between the County, cities, St. John's River Water Management District and Business leaders. This summit, along with the ongoing efforts to create regional collaboration throughout South Lake will hopefully help our water utilities effectively leverage all of their resources for the benefit of all of South Lake and the stability of future economic growth.

The Chamber was a proud sponsor of the Lake County Economic Summit that was recently held. This event that was put on by the County Economic Development staff, and featured seven highly respected experts on economic development, encouraged the creation of a positive climate for economic development throughout the county. As we move into a new year, the Economic Development committee will continue to look at initiatives to encourage entrepreneurial opportunity, business development and expansion and the attraction of new business into South Lake. Through these efforts, we believe all of our members will benefit.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE
Chair: Robin Revis-Pyke

The 2011 year was a productive and busy year for the South Lake Chamber Education Advisory Committee. Meetings are held the first Tuesday of the month at Lake Sumter Community College. The Committee is comprised of educators and business leaders with the purpose of providing vision and influence on issues of importance in relation to the local school system; partner with relevant educational programs and services within the local community; increase awareness among the business community; and to foster relationships among the educators, local businesses, and community leaders.

The agenda for the first meeting of the 2011 year was a review of the Resolution by the Chamber regarding transportation infrastructure issues of the new Lake Minneola High School. In 2010, the Committee members discussed issues and/or concerns for schools located in South Lake County. Among the concerns discussed were school safety and traffic. The question was asked as to whether or not a traffic study has been conducted of the South Lake County schools, specifically Grassy Lake Elementary School and Minneola Elementary School, due to the construction of Lake Minneola High School. Concern was expressed in regards to Lake Minneola High School. It was voiced that the construction of the new high school would increase the volume of traffic. At the time, the discussion focused on the absence of caution lights and the safety of the walkers and bikers attending the neighboring elementary schools when the high school opens. Following the discussions, a meeting was coordinated with Jim Stivender, Lake County Public Works Department, to discuss the concerns. In response to the concerns, the South Lake Chamber of Commerce submitted a resolution. The resolution was reviewed at the beginning of the 2011 year. A follow up discussion was held with Dr. Susan Moxley, Lake County School Board Superintendent, and Debbie Stivender, Chair of Lake County School Board, in April 2011. Also in attendance were Dr. Robin Revis-Pyke, Chair of the Education Advisory Committee, Ray San Fratello, Chamber President; Mike Bucher, and Lucy Hage.

As the year progressed, the Committee continued to review education issues such as the current dress code policy. Within the Lake County communities support for a uniform dress code policy had surfaced, therefore the Education Advisory Committee members spent time throughout the year in dialogue in order to evaluate as to whether or not a uniform dress code policy was necessary and/or supported. At the end of 2011, the decision of the Lake County School Board was to continue with the current dress code policy.

The Education Advisory Committee was visited by Lake Eustis Institute at the September 2011 meeting. Virginia Barker, Executive Director, presented information about Lake Eustis Institute in order to explore as to whether or not there is an interest in lifelong learning opportunities in South Lake County.

In the fall of 2011, the Education Advisory Committee was successful in presenting the Lake County School Board's AVID Program (Advancement Via Individual Determination) at the October 21st Chamber Breakfast. The AVID Program is a School Board initiative. Clinton Pownall, Computer Business Consultants, Inc., and committee member, sponsored the Breakfast for the AVID Program presentation. The presentation was a great opportunity to create awareness among the business community. In addition, the Education Committee participated in the annual Education Innovations at Lake Minneola High School in October 2011. The AVID Program was presented to the participants of the event. As the 2011 year draws to a close, the committee is continuing to discuss HB 071 and HB 111. HB 071 has been withdrawn. HB 111 is currently in review. HB 111 creates a career diploma track in the public high schools.

Window Genie – Chamber Ambassadors recently welcomed Window Genie owners Steve and Judy Frommeyer to the South Lake Chamber! Window Genie offers affordable home care services such as window cleaning, window film, window treatments, gutter protection, deck + concrete washing, along with tile and grout cleaning. You can contact them at 352.324.0156 or visit www.windowgenie.com!

The Taste of South Lake was held Thursday, November 3, 2011 at the Clermont's Waterfront pavilion and featured the music of Brutha Niel and the Real Deal. More than 800 participants sampled food and drinks from 24 of the area's best restaurants, and voted for the "Best of South Lake." There were also 39 area businesses that participated in the Inaugural Event.

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Best of South Lake Desserts - *Ritter's Frozen Custard*
Best of South Lake Entree - *Gator's Dockside*
Best of South Lake Appetizer - *Chick-fi-A*
People's Choice - Best of South Lake - *Carrabba's Italian Grill*

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Business After Hours
Presented by: BANKFIRST
When: Thursday, Dec. 1
Where: 1000 E. Highway 50, Clermont, FL
Time: 5:30-7 p.m.

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When: Friday, December 4
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CLERMONT | KIWANIS CLUB

COURTESY PHOTO

Jim Lester introduced his long-time friend of more than 50 years, McCoy Gibbs, as the guest speaker at a Kiwanis Club of Clermont luncheon meeting in October. Gibbs is a fellow Kiwanian from the Leesburg Noon Club and pastor emeritus at Morrison United Methodist Church in Leesburg. His message was on integrity. From left, Jim Lester, Pastor Gibbs and club president Kathy Scherer.

IMAGINE CHARTER ELEMENTARY | HISTORIC VILLAGE

COURTESY PHOTO

Students from the Imagine Charter Elementary School of South Lake in Clermont recently visited the Historic Village. More than 150 second graders toured the village, with a guided tour through the Train Depot, Townsend and Kern homes, and the original Cooper Memorial Library. Above, several of the students look at the wood-burning stove found in the Townsend House. Visit southlakehistoricalsociety.com for information.

Libraries to close for holidays

Staff report

The following Lake County Library System libraries will close today and Saturday for the holidays.

Libraries will reopen on Nov. 28 with regularly scheduled hours.

- Cagan Crossings Community Library, 16729 Cagan Oaks, Clermont
- Cooper Memorial Library, 2525 Oakley Seaver Drive, Clermont
- Helen Lehmann Memorial Library, 17435 Fifth St., Montverde
- Marianne Beck Memorial Library, 112 W. Central Ave., Howey-in-the-Hills
- Marion Baysinger Memorial Library, 756 W. Broad St., Groveland
- Minneola Schoolhouse Library, 100 S. Main St., Minneola

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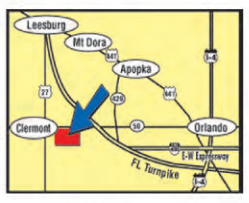

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During 25 years in business, thousands of wall beds sold

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Over the past 25 years, the father and son team of John and Jeff Jones have sold thousands of Murphy beds — also known as wall beds — to Central Floridians.

For those not familiar with what Murphy Beds are, they are beds with inner springs or memory foam mattresses expertly incorporated into cabinetry made of different materials, such as smooth, high-pressure laminate, raised thermo-foil panels and solid woods.

"We have some of the most inventive and unique Murphy Beds in the country at our showrooms here in Florida," Jeff said. "People come in sometimes and say things like, 'Wow, we never knew you could do that with a Murphy Bed.'

"That's what we like to hear, because then we can tell them that we have a style to fit their every need."

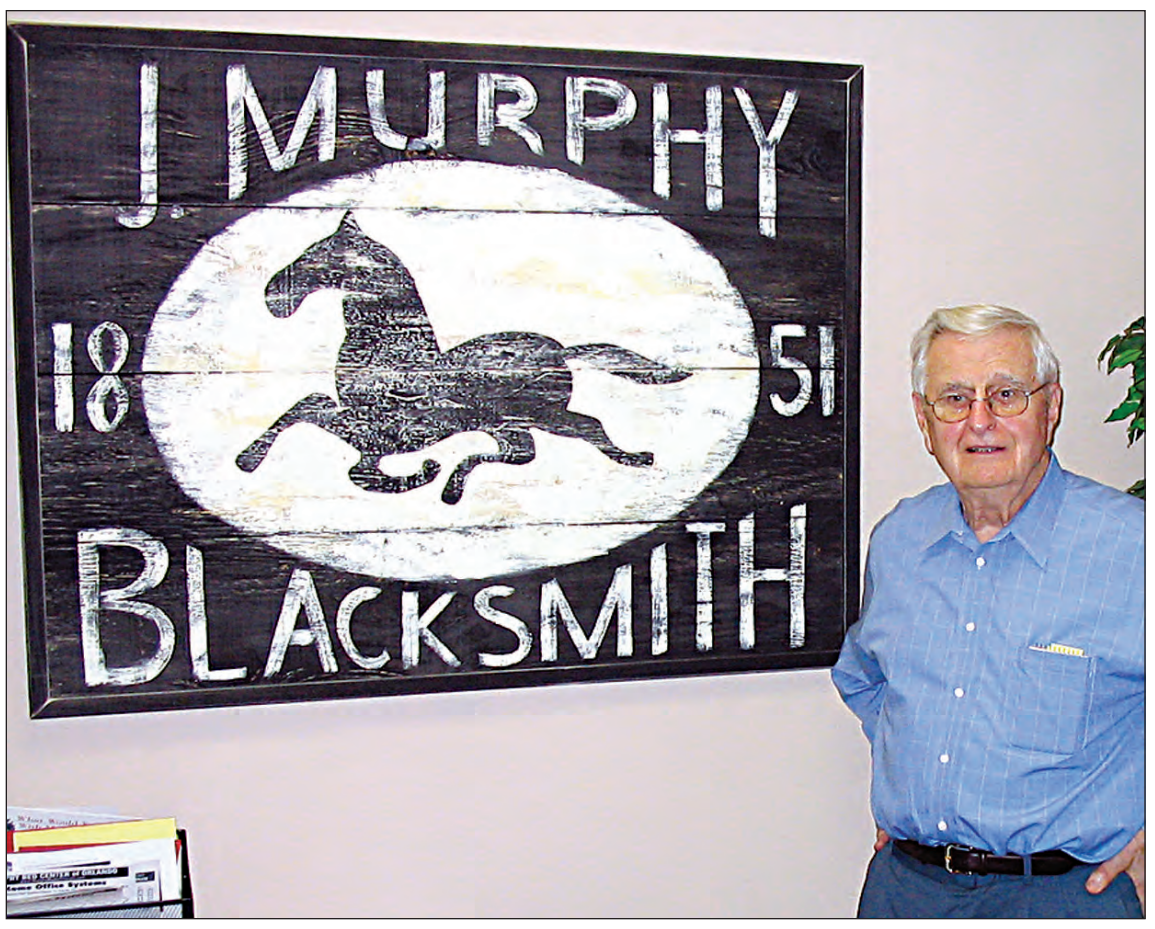
John and Jeff Jones own three Murphy Bed showrooms, the one in Clermont celebrating five years in the community, one on South Orange Blossom Trail and another — considered one of the biggest in the country — in Altamonte Springs.

According to Jeff, the Clermont showroom, now virtually construction-zone free, attracts customers from all over Lake County, including Leesburg, Mount Dora and The Villages.

During some of those visits, Jeff said he's heard many customers comment on how beautiful the showroom is.

"We're very pleased with our Clermont location, and have made so many friends since opening," Jeff said.

The Murphy bed vision began when William L. Murphy applied for a patent on April 1, 1916. He was granted a design patent in June of that year, started the Murphy Wall Bed Company and began production in San Francisco.



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John Jones, who with son, Jeff Jones (not pictured), owns the Murphy Beds store in Clermont, as well as one on Orange Blossom Trail in Orlando and one in Altamonte Springs.

John, who is now 89 years old and still working every day, and son, Jeff, jumped on board with the company in the mid 1980s.

Back then, the styles of beds were more limited compared to today, though the concept has remained the same, Jeff said.

Technology and comfort of the beds have greatly improved, along with the contemporary styles that have evolved to meet the growing demand for double-duty rooms, such as home office systems.

"In addition, because we are such a large volume dealer, we can offer a lot of different styles, finishes and flavors of Murphy Beds to all our customers," Jeff said. "And though there have been a lot of copy cats that have come and gone, we're still standing strong after 25 years."

According to the Joneses, one of their most popular styles is the library bed, where

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Meet Your NEIGHBOR

JAMES "SCOTTY" SCHULTZ

■ **HOMETOWN:** The Bronx, New York

■ **OCCUPATION:** Cashier at Walt Disney World

■ **FAMILY:** Wife, Doris, and two sons, Scott and Shawn

What do you enjoy most about South Lake County?

It was a very nice place to raise my children.

If you had to summarize your philosophy of life in one sentence, what would it be?

Wake up with a smile on your face, thinking, "This will be a wonderful day."

Name a person or incident you've come across recently that's touched you in some way. Why did this person or incident impress you so much?

There are too many to write here, but if you want just one incident, it would be, working at the ABC Commissary restaurant at Walt Disney World. I have literally met people from all over the world.

How does what you do contribute to the welfare of the area?

I would have to say working with

SEE NEIGHBOR I B3

FROM THE FILES I 35 YEARS AGO — 1976

Reliving history through the pages of the South Lake Press

Ann Dupee
REMEMBER WHEN

A weekly column that reprints some of the more interesting news stories that have appeared over the years in the South Lake Press.

'STAND UP FOR AMERICA' SALUTES FORMER POWS

Grand Marshals of the May 1 "Stand Up for America" parade were two former prisoners of war, representing Vietnam and World War II. Air Force Lt. Col. Glendon W. Perkins, now an Orlando resident, was a prisoner of the North Vietnamese for 6 1/2 years. Rex T. Winn of Groveland was a POW in Stalag 3 in Germany for 11 months and four days.

Keynote speaker, Congressman Richard Kelly, presented the American flag that flew over the U. S. Capitol building April 9, 1975, to Paul Anderson Jr. His name was drawn from those registered at various merchants. Master of ceremonies and organizer of "Stand Up for America" Day was the Rev. Leon Drummond, pastor of Minneola Alliance Church.

Fifty-seven marching units participated in the 10 a.m. parade. Winners: Marching units, first, Delta Nu Chapter of Epsilon Sigma Alpha sorority; second, the Umatilla Unicycle team. Float division: first, Davis Elementary; second, Minneola Alliance Church; honorable mention, Clermont Junior Woman's Club. Group participation: first, Midway Elementary; second, First United Methodist Church of Clermont; honorable mention, First Lutheran Church of Clermont.

Window decorating contest winners: Most original patriotic theme with emphasis on red, white and blue, Rambo Florist; second, Olivenbaum Insurance. Most unusual historical, first, Patti-Lu Casuals; second, Leonard's Men's and Boys Store; honorable mention, student decorations at Grandview Apartments. Bike decorating contest: first, Andy Sperle; second, Susan Thomas; honorable mention, Mary Smythe and Christy Moherek. Old-fashioned costumes: first, Arthur Everly; second, Regina Ahern.

Clermont Senior and Junior High School bands gave concerts; there were games for children; and South Lake Rotary Club served a country-style steak dinner.

COACH WINS TROPHY NAMED AFTER HIS MENTOR

Gerald Shepard, coach of the winning Publix Babe Ruth League team, received the first Clarence Bishop Memorial Trophy. Shepard was assistant coach for seven years under Bishop and has been head coach the last three years.

Gary Henderson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Henderson of Ferndale, won the Dale Shepard Memorial Trophy given yearly to the player exemplifying outstanding sportsmanship.

Publix team members are: Larry Dority, Jeff Henderson, Frank Stearns, Scott Boyatt, Ron Boyatt, Keith Henderson, William Wills, David McGinley, Dwayne Deramus, David Shepard, Scott McLean, John McLean, Tony Chandler, Coach Gerald Shepard and Assistant Coach Jim Stearns.

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Health care and insurance can be confusing

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No matter what you think about Obamacare or the health care industry in this country, and no matter what the Supreme Court says about it, we are all having to deal with health insurance — or not having it.

One of the first questions I hear is, "Do you take my insurance?" I tell people that "I take any insurance that takes me."

Insurance is all about what your individual policy says is covered. That's the first thing you need to know.

Before I go farther, let me say this: I am not an expert in health insurance or the U.S .health-care model, so check out everything I say with your insurer, your agent or your attorney! I will try to give my perspective on the issues though.

You need to find out what your policy covers no matter where you go.

People go into all sorts of doctors offices and hospitals and expect that since they pay for insurance, it is supposed to "take care of their health-care costs." That's just not the way it works in most cases.

You pay a premium to access a negotiated rate, which the insurance company contracts with certain doctors, clinics and facilities. If you buy a plan that hasn't contracted with a specific doctor or for a specific service you are not covered, and need to pay for that service just like someone with no insurance.

Different plans have different contracted rates. Sometimes it makes no sense as what is being paid or why.

The second, very related thing you need to know is that in most cases your insurance company does not care if you will get better or not. It is concerned with what your plan says is covered, and who you go to.

I have seen people who are scheduled for an expensive surgery that is covered by insurance come to me. The patient then asks the insurance company if it would cover my visits (which will be much less than what the surgery costs), and the insurance company says "no," but we will pay for the surgery when you need it!

It doesn't make sense, does it?

The other issue is that we don't know how much we are paying for insurance.

After the employer pays some of the cost, you pay the rest, and you still need to pay for deductibles, co-pays, etc. I have seen people paying $800 per month, which is $9,600 per year, plus having a $2,500 deductible. That's more than $11,000 the person would pay in one year before anything is actually covered.

The insurance company isn't paying for much of anything.

I had a health savings account last year that I paid about $300 per month and had $2,500 deductible. From $2,500 to $5,000, I only had to pay 20 percent. After $5,000 the insurance covered 100 percent.

You do the math. That's about $6,000 max out of pocket, which is much less than $11,000. If neither of us went to the doctor. I saved more than $6,000 in the year.

The biggest issue is that many people think they are paying for insurance, and they will only go to people who'll take their insurance.

Insurance is a business. There are a lot of good MDs, DOs, chiropractors, massage therapists, physical therapists, acupuncturists, naturopathic doctors, nutritionists, etc., who are not covered by your insurance that may serve you better than the health-care providers that your insurance does covers.

You have to decide if you are going to continue to trust your health and life to the lowest bidder.

Remember, it's your life. It's your health. It's your choice!

An example of a Murphy Bed.

WALL BED

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two bookshelves slide open to reveal a Murphy wall bed, a concept that they say fits perfectly with current times since more and more people are working out of their homes.

"The space utilization that Murphy Beds provide is very well geared to the current economy and the way things are going," Jeff said. "More people are working out of their homes and many find it easy with this type of unit to incorporate home offices into spaces they can still also use for other things."

Jones also said the company views the customization and professional installation of a Murphy bed as an equally important experience for every customer.

Jones said people have the cabinets placed in all kinds of rooms from the ever- popular home office to dens, studies and exercise or hobby rooms.

Anywhere where someone may need a bed but doesn't want to give up the space for it permanently, he noted.

"For 350 days out of the year, people need to use the rooms for their own purposes. Still, they want to have a good decent bed for their company, not a sofa bed or futon," Jones said. "That's where the Murphy beds come in and why they have become so popular."

"People just love them."

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of Jess Thomas Chapter, Disabled American Veterans, and Elbert Ritchie, adjutant of VFW Post 5277, presented American flags during opening ceremonies at Bishop Field.

In other news:

■ David Radzewski of Mascotte received four awards at Awards Day, tying a Lake Sumter Community College record. He was top student academically in general physics, fundamental mathematics, general biology and college chemistry.

■ Dick Douglass is Green Valley Country Club's new men's champion, shooting 241 for the 54-hole tournament. Opal McClanahan defended her women's title by shooting 260.

■ For the third year, Hanks Electric of Clermont and Groveland has won General Electric's most prestigious dealer award, the Monogram Distinguished Dealer award, for its outstanding contributions to the development, growth and maturity of the central air conditional industry.

■ High point ribbons were awarded Candy Ogden, Debbie Queen and Reba Queen at the Girl Scout Rodeo held at Meg Lewis' Tin Cup Ranch. The Girl Scout Drill Team performed a "Square Dance on Horseback," directed by Candy Ogden. Drill team members are Madeline Hoffman, Susan Homan, Marty Jo Pottorff, Patricia Posey, Cherie Blanchard, Janice Cook, Jeanne Olson, Susan Davis, Denise Wolfe, Wendy Blanchard and Mary Ann Rice.

Mrs. Lewis presented appreciation trophies to four special friends of the mounted unit — Chuck Kuharske, Harry Spooner, Phil Kuharske and announcer Bill Rice.

■ Clermont High School's student body officers elected for next year are Sue Provost, president, and Linda Lory, vice president.

■ Laura Roberson, Sheila Ann Parker, Tony Pegg, Tara Parker and Gina Pegg are among the kindergartners through third graders from Clermont and Minneola Elementary schools who will join the March of Dimes "Order of the Battered Boot" by participating in a two-mile walk.

20 YEARS AGO – 1991

Last school year, selected sixth graders at Clermont Junior High School participated in the Florida Mathematics League Contest. Students were required to answer 40 questions on a variety of topics within a 30-minute time limit. The top five raw scores were combined for a team score that was then submitted to contest headquarters.

Clermont's team members — Tim Valdes, Eric Ernst, Sarah Edwards, Bret Jones and Jeremiah Castleman — scored a total of 157, earning them first place in the region that includes Citrus, Lake, Levy, Marion and St. Johns counties.

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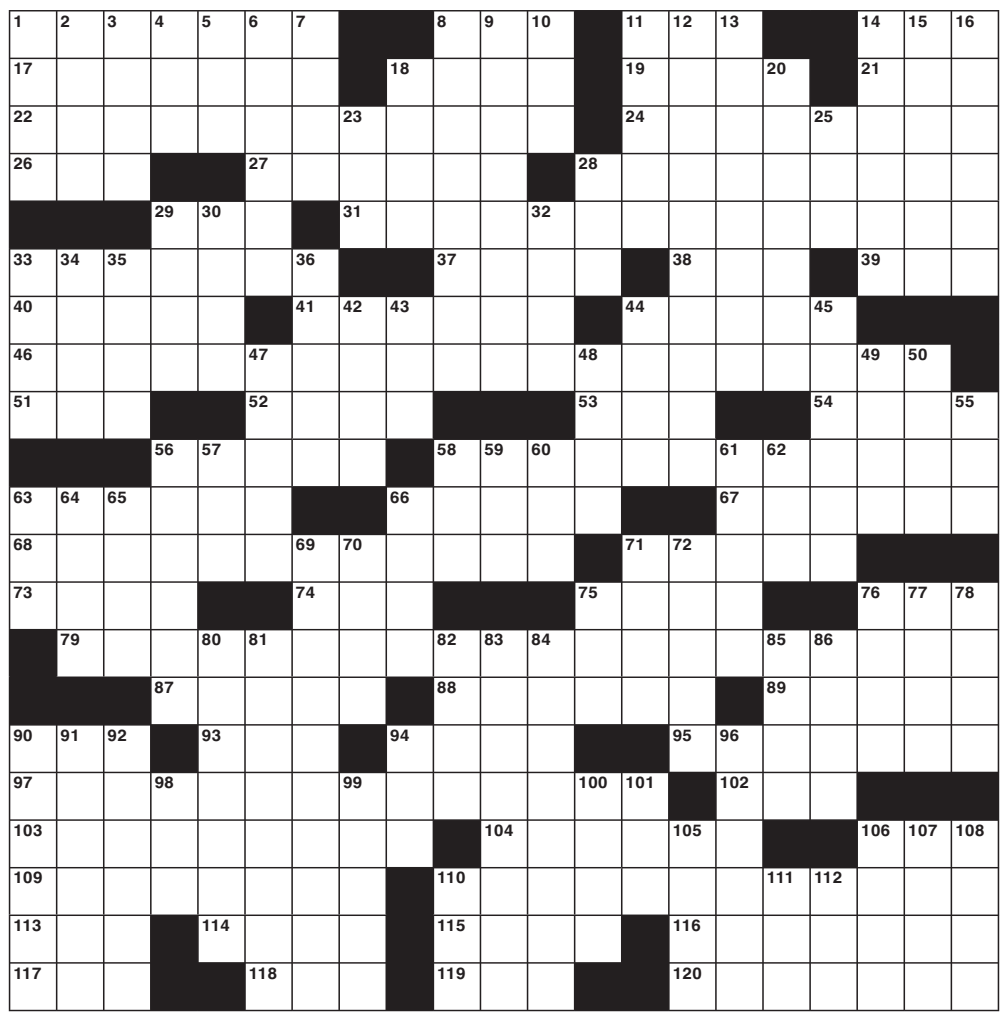

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1 Followers of William the Conqueror
8 ___ Pepper
11 African menace
14 Part of a sentence: Abbr.
17 Tracing paper, e.g.
18 Twosomes
19 Partner of raised
21 Who said "Learn from the masses, and then teach them"
22 Students err?
24 Bonus reel fodder
26 Punk offshoot
27 Pistil complement
28 "10" in a bikini
29 Oklahoma city
31 Medusa killer takes his agent to court?
33 Feel that one's had enough, say
37 Temptation
38 Singsong syllable
39 Part of N.C.A.A.: Abbr.
40 Rig
41 Foreign tender?
44 Open hearings in courts
46 Reinforced ice cream container?
51 What Eng. majors pursue
52 Kay of "Rich Man, Poor Man"
53 "That's it!"
54 Info on modern business cards
56 Just sort, supposedly
58 Inferior tour vehicle for Snoop Dogg?
63 One side in a bullfight
66 Em and Bee, e.g.
67 Up
68 Recollection from a winter tourist in Poland?
71 Cut, in a way
73 It serves a duel purpose
74 Flip of a flop
75 Bit of progress
76 One encountered in a close encounter
79 Disparaging Argentine leader badly injured?
87 Ads
88 Perks
89 "Shucks!"
90 Actress Thurman
93 With 65-Down, stuck
94 The old man
95 "We totally should!"
97 One-on-one job for a ladies' man?
102 Spin meas.
103 Place to buy stage props
104 Stanza alternative
106 Former J.F.K. line
109 Rug type
110 "Son of Darius, please confirm my dog is male"?
113 Hip-hop's ___ Def
114 Rein in
115 Denizens: Suffix
116 Risk
117 Approx.
118 Guitar great Paul
119 Emergency broadcast
120 "Do it"

Down
1 "Don't think so!"
2 Ooplasm locale
3 Take back
4 Picture of health, for short?
5 Best effort
6 Long Island county west of Suffolk
7 Part of GPS: Abbr.
8 1970 #1 R&B hit for James Brown
9 Not be spoken aloud
10 Rx qty.
11 French clergymen
12 Way passé
13 One who gets things
14 1998 Masters champion Mark
15 It may be settled over beers
16 Nativity figure
18 Stopping point?
20 A lack of compassion
23 Come full circle?
25 "Reading Rainbow" network
28 "That ... can't be ... "
29 Busy
30 Send out press releases, e.g.
32 The Auld Sod
33 Former N.B.A. star Spud
34 A pastel
35 "Shoot!"
36 It's stunning
42 Pres. Carter's alma mater
43 Candy company whose first flavor was Pfefferminz
44 Federal org. with inspectors
45 Cry with a forehead slap, maybe
47 Pipe fitting
48 Drains
49 Cities, informally
50 Down in the dumps
55 Dashed fig.
56 They may be sore after a game
57 Nest egg option, briefly
58 Big ___
59 Italian article
60 Start of an aside, to tweeters
61 Jah worshiper
62 Total
63 Hampshire mother
64 SoCal squad
65 See 93-Across
66 Italian vineyard region
69 "Too bad!"
70 River islands
71 Whom Han Solo calls "Your Worship"
72 Constantly shifting
75 TiVo, for one
76 Press
77 They may be metric ... or not
78 Dedicated offerings
80 Deluxe
81 Completely flip
82 Scaloppine, usually
83 Show, as something new
84 Curio displayers
85 Sound dumbfounded
86 Their necks can turn 270 degrees
90 Repulsive
91 Skirts smaller than minis
92 Having a policy of reverse seniority?
94 Top 40 fare
96 Lead's counterpart
98 Wedded
99 Producers of scuff marks
100 "New Sensation" band, 1988
101 Former telco giant
105 Get back to
106 "That's a fact"
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Solution to puzzle on page B9.

CHURCH CALENDAR

A LIST OF EVENTS

RECYCLING PROGRAM: Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church, 13600 Caspian Lane, Clermont. All proceeds from recycling benefit the FAITH Neighborhood Center food bank. For information call 242-9519.

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A gem of a thrift store

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The staff consists of all volunteers, working three- to six-hour shifts Monday through Saturday. Call 352- 394-4094 for information.

NEIGHBOR

CONTINUED FROM B1

and around children. For more than 20 years, between Little League baseball and community theater, I have seen these kids grow and learn, and now some of them are grown, married and have children of their own. I'd call that a great accomplishment.

What's something you've always wanted to do but haven't yet?

Besides winning the lottery, I'd have to say take a trip back to the Bronx to go to the new Yankee Stadium, eat a great big New York pizza, and get a real Jewish bagel.

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THIS WEEK'S GAMES

All games start at 7 p.m. unless noted.

EAST RIDGE (8-3) at **ORLANDO EVANS (10-1)**

The Skinny: The Knights slipped past Ovideo, 21-18, in their first-round playoff game, setting up a rematch with Class 7A, District 4 rival Orlando Evans. On Oct. 7, Evans handed East Ridge a 35-7 loss, and then went on to claim the District 4 regular season title. Since then, the Knights have reeled off five straight wins. During that streak, the Knights have outscored their opponents 173-84. They'll need that offensive firepower against Evans, which has rolled up 313 points in its 11 games, while holding opponents to two TDs per outing.

LAST WEEK'S GAMES

EAST RIDGE 21, OVIEDO 18

The recap: The Knights generated just enough offense to beat Oviedo in their first-round playoff contest. Equally important was the performance of the defense. For the second straight outing, East Ridge's defensive unit held its opponents to under three TDs.

THE VILLAGES 56, BALDWIN 35

The recap: Jessie Chavis rushed for 180 yards and scored four touchdowns to lead the Buffalo past Baldwin in the Class 1A semifinals. Chandler Holt added a TD and 89 yards rushing, as the Buffalo punished the Indians defense with a bruising running game. Two late-game miscues by Baldwin — an interception and a blocked punt — broke open a tight game and lifted the Buffalo to victory.

FHSAA PLAYOFFS

Games involving area teams

FIRST-ROUND SCORES;
CLASS 7A-REGION 1

East Ridge 21, Oviedo 18

CLASS 4A-REGION 2

Jacksonville Bolles 42, **South Sumter 21**

CLASS 1A-REGION 4

The Villages 56, Baldwin 35

Lake Butler Union County 42, **Wildwood** 14

THIS WEEK'S GAMES
FRIDAY

CLASS 7A-REGION 1 SEMIFINALS

East Ridge at Orlando Evans, 7:30 p.m.

CLASS 1A-REGION 4 FINALS

The Villages at Lake Butler Union County, 7:30 p.m.

GROVELAND

Principal: Banks was not fired

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FILE PHOTO

In five years as head coach, Walter Banks led South Lake High School to a 22-27 record, including a 4-6 mark in 2011. Banks said he expects to remain on the faculty until the end of the school year.

Robert McCue has high expectations for every program and activity at South Lake High School.

As school principal, McCue wants his students to succeed in the classroom as well in the athletic arena.

While McCue is pleased with the academic progress being made around campus, he is less than happy with the school's athletic successes, particularly with the football team. After considering his options, McCue decided that a change was needed to inject new life into the football program.

The process of turning around the Eagles fortunes, from McCue's perspective, began late Wednesday when he decided not to bring Walter Banks back as the schools football coach for next season.

"Since coaching football is a supplemental position, I did not fire Coach Banks," McCue said. "I did, however, make the decision not to keep Coach Banks as our football coach. We're grateful for everything he's done for our football program, but it was time for a change.

"I don't remember the last time South Lake played in the playoffs, and that shouldn't be the case."

Banks had just completed his fifth season as Eagles head coach. He led South Lake to a 4-6 record this season after losing 11 starters from last year's team which finished 6-4.

During his tenure at South Lake, the Eagles were 22-27.

Banks was unable to end South Lake's postseason drought. The Eagles last appeared in the Florida High School Athletic Association playoffs in 1996, losing to Port Orange Atlantic in the first round of the Class 4A regionals.

"I was extremely disappointed when I was informed on Wednesday that I wouldn't be asked back for another season," Banks said. "I'm proud of what we've accomplished in terms of finding colleges for our players. I wish we had won more football games, but my goal always has been to help our student-athletes earn a college degree.

> We're grateful for everything he's (Banks) done for our football program, but it was time for a change.
>
> *— Robert McCue, principal South Lake High School*

"From my perspective, that's the most important job for a high-school coach."

McCue said he will form a hiring committee made up of school and community leaders. Once potential candidates are identified, McCue said the committee will analyze each candidate's resume and interview those most qualified.

McCue said he will not place a timetable on the hiring process, but he plans to have a new coach in place and on campus before spring practice begins on May 1.

"I don't want this process to linger needlessly for months, but I'm not going to rush through it, either," he said. "I want to bring in the best coach I can find. This will be a thorough process and our new coach will be someone that everyone will be happy with.

"Our student-athletes, our school and our community deserves the best out there."

Banks and McCue said the former coach will remain on the school's teaching staff as a Physical Education teacher. Banks said he hopes to coach again as soon as next season, although he doesn't know if there will be a job opening in Lake or Sumter County.

If Banks is forced to leave the area for a new coaching position, his departure almost certainly will create two vacancies in south Lake County. Banks' wife, Sabrina, is an assistant principal at East Ridge.

"I'm going to explore my options," Banks said. "My family and I love living in Lake County, but I also want to continue coaching football. If there are no openings in Lake or Sumter counties, I may have to leave to find a job.

"Right now, I'm still a PE teacher at South Lake."

Said McCue, "My decision replace Coach Banks was based solely on our football team's performance on the field. He is an important member of our faculty. He does a great job and our students respect him and enjoy being around him.

"But, our football team needed to go in another direction."

Sports fans welcome return of Knights to postseason play

High school football's second season is under way, and for a quartet of schools in Lake and Sumter counties — East Ridge, South Sumter, Wildwood and The Villages — the buzz and excitement created by a Florida High School Athletic Association playoff game was apparent in all its glory last weekend.

For South Lake fans, it was great to see the Knights back in postseason action following a two-year hiatus.

Friday night's 21-18 victory over Ovideo moves East Ridge into a second-round game against Class 7a, District 4 rival Orlando Evans.

The return of the Knights to the postseason lends an aura of legitimacy that's been missing in recent years.

The posteason just hasn't seemed the same without East Ridge. My gridiron universe has been out of sync the last couple of postseasons.

Playoff brackets without East Ridge have to be the reasons for my recent malaise, because the Knights are back this year, I'm feeling an extra jolt. It's like someone connected a set of jumper cables to a battery and ... to me.

The naysayers likely will bring up the fact the Knights have not won a state championship. Well, only eight schools in the entire state win state championships, and no area school has won since Eustis took the Class 2A championship in 1983.

It's not like we have teams playing for titles every year.

Who can forget the Knights' 2005 regional quarterfinal clash against Orlando Edgewater at The Dungeon?

East Ridge entered the game as the top-ranked team in Class 6A and Orlando Edgewater was ranked No. 6. A standing-room-only crowd, including countless thousands who watched from perches on the hills and roads surrounding the field, saw a classic that ended with the Eagles knocking off the Knights in overtime. It was, arguably, the biggest football game ever played in Lake County, the kind of game that tradition — and legends — are built on.

Other football fans might hang their hats on The Villages' recent success. Despite not playing their first game until 2004, the Buffalo have compiled a 53-29 record and topped out with a school record 9-2 mark last season.

I wish the Knights and Buffalo the best of luck. I hope to see one of you in the Citrus Bowl in Orlando in December, playing for a state championship.

I really do.

And with East Ridge and The Villages still in play, our football universe is spinning again on its proper axis.

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■ Be on time and prompt with your mail-in rebate. It is a good rule of thumb to get the rebate submitted right away, and not at the end of the offer. This ensures that you get exactly what is advertised on the form.

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Jennings Joins Superior Residences as director

Special to the South Lake Press

James "Jim" Jennings has been named executive director for Superior Residences of Clermont, located at 1600 Hunt Trace Blvd.

Jennings has extensive experience in this field having served as executive director at assisted living facilities in Albany, Ga., and Bradenton.

For the last five years he served as the divisional director of human resources for Emeritus Senior Living.

Jennings has a master's in public administration and health services management from Webster University, St. Louis. He also earned a B.S. in marketing with a minor in economics from the University of North Carolina.

On the personal side, he spent 22 years in the U.S. Marine Corps and retired as a major. For a short while, he played professional baseball for the St. Louis Cardinals until an injury ended his career.

Jennings' involvement with communities he has lived in includes volunteering with the Manatee County Sheriff's Department and the Orlando Police Department.

He has two daughters, one attending college and one a senior in high school.

JIM JENNINGS

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L.A. Tan names new manager, assistant manager

Special to the South Lake Press

L.A. Tan has promoted Lisa Zelaya to manager and Lisa Lowry to assistant manager at the Clermont salon at 1670 E. Highway 50.

Rick Patel, owner and chief executive officer, said Zelaya joined L.A. Tan early this year as a manager trainee.

She has more than 20 years of experience in the retail and hospitality industry, and was formerly in the management program at Panera Bread, he said.

Zelaya attended Valencia College. She is also the CEO of L.A. Zelaya Construction Inc. (formerly known as L.A.

Lowry has been with the company since 2005 and recently graduated from Westside Vocational Technical School with a license in massage therapy.

In her new role, Zelaya was also recently involved in training and hiring a new manager for the new L.A. Tan in Tampa located at 5323 Gunn Highway.

"Lisa is an exceptional administrator with personal drive, customer appeal and creativity," said Patel. "We expect her to play a key role in our continued growth."

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Public can leave a legacy at new library

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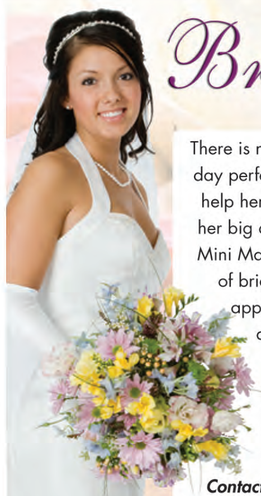

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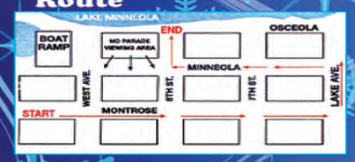

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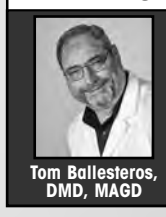

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IN THE COUNTY COURT IN AND FOR LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA
COUNTY CIVIL DIVISION
Case No: 11CC2345
SUMMER BAY PARTNERSHIP, a Florida general partnership
Plaintiff,
vs.
KENNETH E. ABERCROMBIE JR. and SANDRA L. ABERCROMBIE et al
Defendant(s)

NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO F.S. CHAPTER 45
NOTICE IS GIVEN, that pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure in the captioned matter dated **November 8, 2011**, I will sell to the highest bidder for cash at the front door of the Lake County Judicial Center, 550 West Main Street, Tavares, Florida 32778, at 11:00 a.m. on **December 8, 2011** the following-described property, all of which are SUMMER ISLES CONDOMINIUM I according to the Declaration of Condominium, thereof recorded in Official Records Book 2172, page 2336, Public Records of Lake County, Florida, as amended.

Count 1 KENNETH E. ABERCROMBIE JR and SANDRA L..ABERCROMBIE Timeshare Period Week (O)11 in Condominium Unit No. 402305

Dated November 8, 2011
NEIL KELLY
Clerk of the Court
By: /s/V.UHL
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Clermont, FL 34712
Telephone: 352-242-2670
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Ad. No. 00310124
November 18 &25, 2011

IN THE COUNTY COURT IN AND FOR LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA
COUNTY CIVIL DIVISION
Case No: 11CC2370
SUMMER BAY PARTNERSHIP, a Florida general partnership
Plaintiff,
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DAVID G. AHL and EDEN DAWN AHL et al
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Count 8 DONNA MAE HANN and WILLIAM B. HANN Timeshare Period Week (E)33 in Condominium Unit No. 401105

Dated November 8, 2011
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IN THE COUNTY COURT IN AND FOR LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA
COUNTY CIVIL DIVISION
Case No: 11CC2406
SUMMER BAY PARTNERSHIP, a Florida general partnership
Plaintiff,
vs.
JAMES T. BARKER and LOIS M. RANDALL et al
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Count 11 ROBERT C. MELLAS JR. Timeshare Period Week (E)6 in Condominium Unit No. 407205

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November 18 & 25, 2011

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COUNTY CIVIL DIVISION
Case No: 11CC2407
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Count 11 MAURICIO A. ROBALLO and MARTHA L. TABARES Timeshare Period Week (W)12 in Condominium Unit No. 408403

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November 18 &25, 2011

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF:
Alexia Ann Martin a/k/a Lexie Anna Martin

DOB: 04/23/02

CASE NO.: 231092

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ADOPTION PROCEEDING

To: Charles Raymond Marlow III, Whose whereabouts are unknown, you are notified that David Lee Barnett has filed in this Court a Petition for Leave to Adopt Alexia Ann Martin a/k/a Lexie Anna, a minor, DOB 04/23/02, and it is ordered that a dispositional hearing be and the same is hereby set for Wednesday, January 11, 2012, at 2:00 P.M.. in said Court in the City of Birmingham, Jefferson County, Alabama. Please be advised that if you intend to contest the adoption, you must file a written response within thirty (30) days hereof with counsel for said Petitioner, whose name and address is shown below and with the clerk of the said probate Court.

Donald J. Nettles, Esq., attorney for Petitioner David Lee Marlow, Baker Donelson Bearman Caldwell & Berkowitz, PC
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Done and ordered this 14th day of Sept. 2011
Judge Sherri C. Friday
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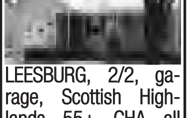

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Two master suites, one upstairs and one downstairs.

ERA TOM GRIZZARD

Lake Harris frontage

A Million Dollar View for a fraction of the price! 113' of Lake Harris frontage. You will be mesmerized by the view the moment you walk in the front door. The living room with hardwood floors, massive stone fireplace, double set of sliding glass doors that 'pocket' out of sight brings the outdoors right inside with you or just continue on to the pool and spa area! Great room space with the open kitchen area with oak cabinets, Corian countertops, breakfast bar, tile backsplash,under-cabinet lighting and huge tiled island. This area also includes the dining room and Florida room with breakfast nook and sitting area where youwill enjoy your morning coffee while watching the eagles, hawks and blue heron. There are two master suites (one downstairs with separate sliding door access to the pool) and one upstairs with the most spectacular view of the lake! This home had a major renovation in 2003 with practically every surface upgraded (bathrooms gutted and replaced, new flooring throughout, all new windows and sliders on the lake side). Dock re-built in September, 2011. Dru Foley, Realtor, 352-978-8914

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A horse lover's dream

This 3 bedroom 2 bath manufactured home is located 8.9 on acres with 2280 sq ft living area. Home also features dining room, living room, familyroom with corner fireplace, huge kitchen with island seating and an open, split floor plan. Master bath features garden tub with separate shower stall. Mature landscaping with oak trees. A beautiful setting with beautiful views. Property also has a 6 stall barn with workshop and tack room. In another pasture there is a 3 stall barn plus a round pen for training. Wash area for the horses. Possible income from boarding horses. The property is fenced and cross fenced. This is definitely country living at its best but yet very convenient to shopping in Eustis and Mt. Dora with all of its quaint shops and restaurants. Only 15-20 minutes away from the Sanford area and close for all the Orlandocommuters. Great place to raise a family and a wonderful place to bring your horses. It is definitely a horse lover's dream spot. Reduced to $189,500. Call JoLeen Cooper for a viewing of this home at 352-267-0770 at Morris Realty & investments.

Master bath features garden tub with separate shower stall.

Living room plus dining room with built in china display cabinet.

PAL REALTY-THE PLANTATION AT LEESBURG

Views of Sawgrass Lake

Beautiful landscaping w/ tiered stone trim, oversized corner lot with views of Sawgrass Lake, tinted & vinyl enclosed raised porch with A/C, a living room plus dining room with built in china display cabinet, an updated kitchen features built in eating area and many cabinets, large master bedroom and master bath features walk in shower & dual sink vanities, a guest bedroom with guest bath nearby. New paint, all appliances included, new flooring throughout, oversized carport, work shop / shed with double door entry, decorative finish on driveway, ceiling fans, gutters & downspouts, irrigation system with timer and affordable association fees make this a very nice manufactured home priced in the 60's! The Plantation at Leesburg is a resident owned active adult gated golf and tennis community with 2 manned gates, a 3rd is monitored plus a roving patrol. Stop by or call the sales office for your personal tour of this home and the facilities. Our office is located in Plantation Plaza, PAL Realty, 25327 US Hwy 27, Suite 202, Leesburg, FL 34748 (352) 326-3626. See more pictures of #1253 on our web site www.theplantation.com

Don't just list my house, sell it, part 2

Last week we discussed some continuing market conditions that will make selling a home every bit as challenging as it has been in recent years. As a way to address potential difficulties, I suggested that delivering an informative, organized sales presentation to each prospective buyer would be very effective. We also determined that the logical person to do this is your listing agent. This week we will cover how to get this done, what should be included and what benefits you may realize from it.

By the way, planning this strategy doesn't guarantee it will happen all the time. There is a protocol among Realtors that a listing agent not directly interact with another agent's prospect, without permission. What typically works well is simply asking, "Would you like to view the home alone or would you like me to show you through?" More often than not, the listing agent's assistance will be welcome. When another agent is not involved, the listing agent should always make the presentation to his or her own prospects. No one can be expected to notice everything a home has to offer on his own.

Attention should be drawn to the value of items like a double oven or an oversized cooktop in case the prospect has a large family or penchant for frequent entertaining. A fenced yard should be noted for the safety of children and pets. Emphasis should be placed on simple things like extra storage areas, special indoor or outdoor lighting, upgraded storm protection, closet organizers, rain gutters, irrigating from waterways, 42" kitchen cabinets - whatever your home contains that legitimately contributes to its comparative value. Your contribution to this endeavor is to provide your agent with a comprehensive list of upgrades and, if possible, their cost. All of this should be presented in the context of benefits to the homeowner - not just a litany of features. A world famous sales trainer wisely observed - "What it is has nothing to do with them wanting it. What it will do for them has everything to do with them wanting it." The more expensive and upgraded the home is, the more important it will be to use this approach. Money affords those who have it the power of choice. If your home is to be their choice, it must make the strongest impression.

Carroll Jaskulski, Jr.

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Besides ensuring that prospects are made aware of all the house has to offer, there are several significant advantages that could be realized: 1) A knowledgeable person is available to answer questions that may require information not obvious on the listing form; 2) An open exchange involving a member of your team could reveal useful insights into the prospects' decision-making "hot buttons", personalities and qualifications; 3) Buyers will be more likely to remember this home, which is very important in the context of viewing many properties in a compressed time period; 4) When negotiations begin on an offer, the home's value will have already been established proactively (if value-added items are stressed for the first time in response to a low offer price, it appears defensive and weakens your negotiating position) and reviewing them at that time will serve as effective reinforcement; 5) This demonstrates respect for each prospect's time and makes the visit more meaningful.

Requiring your agent to control all showings is no promise that you will get a higher price or quicker sale, but you may. Or, you may sell a little faster. You may even attract a stronger buyer who is able to secure a loan commitment faster, satisfy other contingencies more easily, or who doesn't need to sell another home before you have a done deal!

REAL ESTATE NEWS

Home Builders Association presents coveted award

TAVARES — The home builders association of Lake-Sumter announced the selection of Joseph Williams, president of TownSquare Construction as the Association's 2011 Builder of the Year and Loretta Maimone, president of Maimone Realty as Associate of the Year.

Williams was selected by his peers for outstanding leadership and commitment to the Association and the industry during this past year. He is chair of the Association's Remodelers Council, the newly elected Vice President of the Association, and an active volunteer for Habitat for Humanity.

Maimone was the association's 2010-11 Business Silver Sponsor. She is the association's newly elected associate vice president and serves on the Governmental Affairs Committee, Banking and Finance Task Force, the Fall Home Show Committee and the Remodelers Council.

WILLIAMS AND MAIMONE

The Home Builders Association of Lake-Sumter is a non-profit trade industry association representing 240 construction companies and associated business industries. Formed in 1973, the HBA is the local affiliate of the National Association of Builders (NAHB) and the Florida Association of Home Builders (FHBA).

Contact Linda Nagle, Executive Director of the HBA at 352-343-7101 for information.

Stirling Sotheby's named sales agents for estate

ORLANDO — Stirling Sotheby's International Realty was recently named exclusive sales and marketing agents for a luxury lakefront country estate just west of Orlando in Lake County that comes with a notable pedigree.

Roger Soderstrom, founder and owner of Stirling Sotheby's International Realty, said the 55-acre luxury estate at 19035 Orange Ave. in Groveland features a 5,600 square foot lakefront hacienda designed by Arizona architect John B. Sholz, whose Uptown Court, a 103-room estate home outside the village of Windlesham in Surrey, England, ranked as the most expensive home offered for

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PEOPLE, EVENTS AND PLACES

Ashton Woods has homes ready

ORLANDO — Ashton Woods Homes has two ready-to-move-in homes at Eagles Landing at Westyn Bay, which overlooks Lake Apopka off of West Road and Ocoee-Apopka Road in Ocoee.

Michael Roche, vice president of sales and marketing for Ashton Woods Homes in the Orlando region, said both homes offer five bedrooms, with offering 2,550 square feet of space, priced at $292,147 and the other home has 3,433 square feet, priced at $329,131.

The homes start at $269,900, Roche said.

Only 15 home sites remain at Eagles Landing, Roche added.

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NAI negotiates office lease

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NAI Realvest Senior Broker Associate Mary Frances West, CCIM brokered the transaction.

The landlord at Primera Court I is Interchange-Primera I, LLC based in Daytona Beach.

The new tenant America's Mortgage Professionals, is a lender that specializes in residential mortgages including FHA, VA, Freddie Mac and Fannie Mae, is headquartered in Fort Lauderdale.

Contact Mary Frances West CCIM, NAI Realvest, at 407-875-9989 or email to mwest@realvest.com or visit www.NAIRealvest.com.

Associate Elliott earns a CIPS

ORLANDO — Stirling Sotheby's International Realty Associate Bruce

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PAL REALTY-THE PLANTATION AT LEESBURG

Updated to nearly new

This home sits on a fairway of the golf course on a quiet, dead-end street in one of Central Florida's finest active adult communities and has curb appeal, shade trees and privacy. All at an inviting price. A living room, formal dining room plus the kitchen has a breakfast nook, and there are 2 nice sized bedrooms and 2 baths. There is covered parking and a utility shed with double doors. New water heater 2007, new A/C 2006 w/10 year warranty, new dishwasher 2005, new range 2005, new refrigerator 2002, upgraded kitchen sink, newer paint, indoor laundry, ceiling fans, gutters and downspouts, irrigation system with timer and priced in the 60's! The Plantation at Leesburg is a resident owned active adult gated golf and tennis community with 2 manned gates, a 3rd is monitored plus a roving patrol. On site restaurant, 2 golf courses with equity memberships available, 3 clubhouses, 3 pools, full time activity directors, 100+ activities perweek. Our office is located in Plantation Plaza, PAL Realty, 25327 US Hwy 27, Suite 202, Leesburg, FL 34748 (352) 326-3626. See more pictures of #1254 on our web site www.theplantation.com

Formal dining room plus the kitchen has a breakfast nook.

The spacious lanai (12x19) includes sliding acrylic windows, an air conditioning unit and a sink.

ERA TOM GRIZZARD

Conservation lot

No rear neighbors – terrific backyard! This 3/2 expanded Opal model with 1,751 sq.ft. is located on a lovely conservation lot in Royal Highlands 55+ Active-Adult 24-hour gated community. The eat-in kitchen features a breakfast bar, gas stove, built-in microwave, cabinets with pull-outs, recessed lighting, ceramic tile floor, ceiling fan and closet pantry. The large master bedroom(16x16) has plantation shutters and a walk-in closet. The spacious lanai (12x19) includes sliding acrylic windows, an air conditioning unit and a sink. There is an inside laundry room with washer, dryer and storage shelves and it is adjacent to the two car garage with sliding screen door. Other highlights: Driveway pavers, 10x10 outside patio in back and all appliances are included. Royal Highlands is located within easy access to the FL Turnpike. Royal Highlands offers many amenities and a low monthly association fee of $130, which includes cable TV and RV/boat storage. To learn more about Royal Highlands and this beautiful home listed at $179,000 visit my website: www.RoyalHighlands.net. MLS# G4677577. Call Doug DuVarney of ERA Tom Grizzard, Inc. at (352)255-3236.

'Hot Lips' sofa could get some love at auction

HELAINE FENDELMAN and JOE ROSSON
Scripps Howard News Service

DEAR HELAINE AND JOE:

This sofa has been in my family for the past 19 years. We are packing to move and maybe it is time for the piece to go to a better home. After doing some Internet research, I think the piece may be an original, even though there is no label. Are you able to help us with a resale value?

THANK YOU,
P.M., NAPLES.
DEAR P.M.:

Because of the movie and television versions of "MASH," the term "Hot Lips" is one that is familiar to many. But this "Studio 65 Bocca lip sofa" certainly qualifies as an entirely different kind of "Hot Lips."

Sofas such as the one in today's question are an icon of modern design. They are often seen in popular commercial media, and while some are valuable, many others are somewhat less so.

This sofa was designed in 1971 by Studio 65, a design group based in Turin, Italy, and was called the "Bocca," which mean "mouth" in Italian. It is also called the "Marilyn Lip Sofa" (a reference to actress Marilyn Monroe), but it really was inspired by a work by surrealist painter Salvador Dali, who had created a lips sofa in the 1930s.

Dali was inspired by his own work, a gouache painting of actress Mae West. As an artistic movement, surrealism drew upon the dream life for inspiration and featured shapes and images that were fantastic in nature.

On occasion, modern design shared this same theme, and Dali's "lip sofa" was perfect for reinterpretation. When Studio 65 updated the Dali design, the company named it in honor of Monroe. It gained international attention in 1972 when it was exhibited in "Italy" at New York City's Museum of Modern Art.

There are two different versions of this sofa available on the market, one by Gufram and the other by Heller. The difference between the two editions is that the Gufram is made of soft polyurethane (a high-resiliency flexible foam) and upholstered with an elastic fabric that can be removed and washed.

The Heller edition, on the other hand, is made entirely out of polymer plastic, which meant that it can be used outdoors. The Gufram "lips sofa" cannot be used outdoors and is considerably more expensive in the collectibles market.

JOE ROSSON and HELAINE FENDELMAN / SHNS

This 20th-century sofa exudes a sense of whimsy.

The Gufram can still be purchased for around $8,000, while the Heller is reportedly available for about $1,000. The current value of the piece owned by P.M. depends on which manufacturer produced the piece.

It appears from the photos that the sofa in today's question has the removable fabric cover of the Gufram edition. It would, however, have been much, much better if the original tag stating when this particular sofa was made and by what company had survived.

With modern design, the term "original" can be a bit tricky, especially if the piece in question is still being produced and sold in the current marketplace. If P.M.'s example is a vintage Gufram, this sofa would probably sell in the $4,000-$5,000 range at a high-quality modern-design auction conducted by a company that specializes in this sort of merchandise.

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October home sales rose 1.4 percent

DEREK KRAVITZ
AP Real Estate Writer

WASHINGTON — The number of Americans who bought previously occupied homes rose slightly last month but remained at depressed levels.

Home sales rose 1.4 percent last month to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 4.97 million, the National Association of Realtors said Monday. That's below the 6 million that economists say is consistent with a healthy housing market and slightly ahead of last year's sales — the worst in 13 years.

The sales are measured when buyers close on the homes.

Many deals are falling apart before that point. One third of Realtors say they've had at least one contract scuttled in October, up from 18 percent in September.

Contracts have been cancelled for a number of reasons: Banks have declined mortgage applications; home inspectors have found problems; appraisals showed a home was worth less than the bid; a buyer lost a job before the closing.

Still, the October increase in home sales beat analysts' expectations. Some economists took that as a positive sign for the troubled market.

"We are not looking for a housing renaissance but the straws in the wind suggest that activity in the sector might be improving slightly," said John Ryding, chief economist at RDQ Economics.

More than two years after the recession officially ended, many people can't qualify for loans or meet higher down-payment requirements. Even those with excellent credit and stable jobs are holding off because they fear that home prices will keep falling. Home sales are also being hurt by a steep decline in first-time buyers, who are critical to reviving the housing market.

Activity among first-time buyers rose slightly last month to make up 34 percent of sales. That's up from 32 percent in September.

At the same time, homes at risk of foreclosure made up 28 percent of sales last month.

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Elliott was recently awarded the Certified International Property Specialist professional designation (CIPS) by the National Association of Realtors.

Roger Soderstrom, founder and owner of Stirling Sotheby's International Realty, said Elliott successfully completed a rigorous course of requirements to achieve the honor.

"The CIPS designation is the gold standard in our industry, the highest assurance that a professional has demonstrated solid experience and a thorough grasp of the peculiarities of international real estate transactions," he said.

Elliott has been with Stirling Sotheby's International Realty since November 2008 and has focused on international marketing of luxury homes throughout Central Florida.

Soderstrom said the U.S. real estate downturn and resulting recession have generated market conditions that bring international real estate transactions into a sharp focus.

"Economic uncertainty is a way of life in most other countries around the world," Soderstrom said. "Worldwide, particularly in Asia, India, Russia, Eastern Europe, the Middle East and now western Europe, the American Dream is highly desirable by the more resourceful and affluent families and international home buyers," Soderstrom explained.

Elliott said the CIPS designation was the result of hard work.

"The study requirements are pretty strenuous but there's a lot to learn," Elliott said.

Elliott said he is now able to use the designation "CIPS" after his name in official correspondence and will soon receive a formal certificate and a lapel pin that identifies his professional expertise to colleagues.

Elliott said certification by NAR's CIPS program provides him with access to research and reports on international real estate trends and transactions and access to the CIPS Network.

CIPS tools are valuable to my career," Elliott said.

Contact Bruce Elliott, CIPS, at 407-581-7890 or visit www.StirlingSIR.com.

SBA offering low rates for certain working capital cost

ALTAMONTE SPRINGS — The federal government recently released new regulations enabling business owners to refinance owner-occupied commercial real estate loans, and to include, for the first time ever, certain working capital costs.

Small businesses facing high interest rates on commercial debt may now use loan refinancing proceeds for such working capital items as: salary, rent, utilities, inventory and other business obligations as part of a U.S. Small Business Administration 504 program loan.

The new refinancing regulations are part of the Small Business Jobs and Credit Act of 2010, and while the rules were drafted last year, the final regulations were just released this week. According to small business lender Mercantile Capital Corporation, the new guidelines may be just in time to help business owners struggling with high interest rate loans on commercial buildings and an inability to tap traditional working capital methods.

"The new provisions that enable owners to include business expenses in a refinancing project is a phenomenal development," said MCC CEO Chris Hurn. "The government is responding to the cries of many entrepreneurs and small business employers who are desperately in need of any means to finance working capital costs."

The loan structure for the refinancing program mirrors the traditional 504 loan structure. A third party lender, like MCC, funds a first lien portion (usually not less than 50 percent of the project costs), a Community Development Company (CDC) acting with the SBA funds no more than 40 percent of the project and the borrower funds no less than 10 percent of the project, which doesn't necessarily need to be cash with these new refinance provisions. Interest rates on 504 loans have been hovering near record lows for most of 2011 (October's rate is 4.61 percent fixed for 20 years).

One downside to the new loan provisions is that they expire in September of 2012. "While the deadline is nearly a year away, we encourage all commercial property owners to immediately investigate refinancing into a 504 loan," said Hurn. "The rates are very low right now, and they'll get to re-amortize their loan on a longer term with these business expenses now eligible to be rolled-in. But, this is a financing opportunity that may not be available 12 months from now."

A former member of the Inc. 500 list, Mercantile Capital Corporation focuses on providing SBA 504 loans for small business owners to acquire or enhance their own facilities. A wholly-owned subsidiary of Old Florida National Bank, the company has been named a Small Business Financial Services Champion by the U.S. Small Business Administration twice in the past four years.

For information, visit www.504Experts.com.

Stirling negotiates sale of luxury estate site

ORLANDO — Stirling Sotheby's International Realty recently negotiated the sale of a 3.81 acre estate site on Lake Maitland near Winter Park for $2.25 million.

Roger Soderstrom, founder and owner of Stirling Sotheby's International Realty, said the estate site located at 700 Manor Rd. in Maitland, is one of the largest in the area and has one of the lake's longest shorelines.

"The estate site fronts on Lake Maitland as well as a canal that connects to Lake Nina," Soderstrom said.

Altogether, the property boasts approximately 1,000 feet of water frontage.

Sungate Trust acquired the property.

Dick Toth, an International Luxury Home Specialist with Stirling Sotheby's International Realty in Orlando, negotiated the sale representing the Bichette family.

Visit www.StirlingSIR.com for information.

NAI Realvest negotiates 2 industrial lease renewals

ORLANDO — NAI Realvest recently negotiated two lease renewals for industrial space totaling 10,515 square feet at commerce centers in Sanford and Orlando.

Michael Heidrich, principal at NAI Realvest, brokered both transactions representing the landlords.

At Monroe CommerCenter South, the tenant Highway 46 Holdings, LLC, based in Lake Mary, renewed its lease of 8,640 square feet in suites 1001-1013 at 4295 Church St. where COP-Monroe, LLC of Maitland is the landlord.

Heidrich also represented the landlord COP Hanging Moss, LLC in a renewal lease agreement with El Neato, Inc. d/b/a Kona Ice for the 1,875 square feet leased at suite 320, 6124 Hanging Moss Road in the Hanging Moss CommerCenter.

Contact Michael Heidrich, Principal, NAI Realvest at 407-875-9989 or email to mheidrich@realvest.com or visit www.NAIRealvest.com.

Mercantile reports closing 4 commercial loans

ALTAMONTE SPRINGS — Mercantile Capital Corporation, one of the nation's largest and most active providers of U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) 504 loans for small business owners who want to acquire or develop their own facilities, reported it closed four commercial loans in October to finance projects that total more than $9.4 million.

Geof Longstaff, chairman of Mercantile Capital Corporation, said the firm's largest single loan in October financed a $5.1 million diabetes treatment center in Citrus County.

Since the start of the year, Mercantile Capital Corporation has closed 46 commercial loans to finance projects that total more than $134 million, Longstaff said.

Chris Hurn, chief executive officer of Mercantile Capital Corporation, said, "We expect to finance over $150 million in total projects in 2011. That would mark a substantial increase over 2010 and be our all-time record for volume."

Mercantile Capital Corporation will relocate from Altamonte Springs to Downtown Orlando in December, Hurn added. The firm is a wholly owned subsidiary of Old Florida National Bank, which is headquartered in Orlando.

Architects awarded contract on 2 Winn-Dixies

ORLANDO — Baldwin Park based Cuhaci & Peterson Architects LLC., was recently awarded contracts to design the transformation remodeling of two Winn-Dixie grocery stores — one in Jupiter and the other in Pembroke Pines.

Lonnie Peterson, chairman at Cuhaci & Peterson Architects, said both facilities will offer 45,000 square feet of space and the transformation remodeling assignment includes modern, up-to-date, unique concepts in both stores.

Peterson added that Winn-Dixie spent approximately $5 million each to modernize the grocery stores.

Contact Lonnie Peterson, Chairman Cuhaci & Peterson Architects, LLC, at 407-661-9100 for information.

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sale anywhere in the world at the height of the real estate boom.

Recently the palatial estate sold for half its former asking price, or about $67 million.

Soderstrom said the Groveland hacienda, built in 2002, is a brilliant example of the California Craftsman architectural style with pecky-cypress doors and cypress plank ceilings.

"The hacienda is a work of art," said Stirling Sotheby's luxury residential specialists Sally Taylor and Emily White.

The Taylor/White International Team for Stirling Sotheby's International Realty are representing the Groveland estate, which is listed for sale for $2.6 million.

The four-bedroom luxury home offers three full baths and a guest half-bath along with a game room, a private library, and a grand entrance with a 25-foot high rotunda.

A white, sandy beach on secluded Lake Arthur is a focal point of the 55-acre estate property, which includes a park-like 15-acre homestead and gardens with extensive wooden decking and a secluded stone waterfall, Taylor said.

The estate earns its agricultural property tax exemptions with its 10-acre irrigated organic citrus grove and 30 acres of well-fenced cattle pasture are served by a 3,750 square foot workshop, garage and farm vehicle storage building.

The entire property is well fenced and the cattle pasture is cross-fenced, Taylor said.

The property is protected by a gated entrance and extensive electronic security system.

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Guggenheim collection paint colors bring art home

EMILY FREDRIX
Associated Press

NEW YORK — The calm gray-blue sky in an otherwise agitated Vincent Van Gogh painting. The flesh of a nude woman as painted by Amedeo Modigliani.

Or the vibrant yellows, blues and chartreuse in a Franz Marc geometric masterpiece.

Your next wall color could be famous. Or at least, it could share specks of colors seen in pieces on display at one of the world's most famous art museums, the Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum.

The museum has chosen 150 colors from its collections and galleries in a new partnership with Fine Paints of Europe, an upscale paint company based in Vermont.

Through a meticulous selection and matching process that involved everything from holding up paint chips beside century-old paintings to stopping someone on the subway because of her shirt color, they have developed two distinct collections: one of colors used on gallery walls and another of colors used in paintings.

Homeowners are more likely to use paint to create a mood for a room than to display multimillion-dollar works of art.

But the same principles that museums use in designing galleries apply, said Karen Meyerhoff, managing director for business development at the Guggenheim.

They use colors to evoke emotions or theatrics, and to highlight paintings on display.

"We have specialized expertise and it's something we do every day," Meyerhoff said.

The 150 colors are striking. The classical collection takes colors directly from the museum's vast collection, focusing primarily on the period from the late 19th century to 1937, including works by Paul Cezanne, Vasily Kandinsky and Van Gogh. The colors are not named or identified as being from a particular painting because they have been taken out of that context, Meyerhoff said.

The gallery colors are taken directly from the background walls and fixtures in the Guggenheim's galleries, a range of neutral tans, greys and whites, but also more vibrant colors including a deep navy and a smoky red.

Some were created by Frank Lloyd Wright, who designed the museum on New York's Upper East Side.

There's a beige that was the original exterior color of the museum, and a rusty red that is the original — and current — color of the central elevator.

Curators and gallery workers spent months selecting the colors, studying paintings and noticing which colors appeared most often, or were most unique.

Then, they had to find real-life samples so the paint company could develop color formulas to match.

Meyerhoff and the Guggenheim staff used Pantone chips, paint decks, magazines.

"I stopped someone on the subway because of her yellow shirt," Meyerhoff laughed.

Then the samples went to Fine Paints of Europe, which replicated the colors by using a spectrometer, which isolates a hue and determines a formula to create it in paint.

"This is not eye matching. This is not human judgment," said John Lahey, founder and owner of the Woodstock, Vt.-based company.

"This is technology."

But for Meyerhoff, and for homeowners who use the paints, it's all about emotion and feelings.

Galleries use background colors to play off paintings, either by drawing directly from colors in the works or by creating the feel of a particular time and place.

For instance, Meyerhoff uses light and dark browns and pale gray greens to evoke 1930s Europe.

The Guggenheim paint collections cost $35 per half liter, or $130 per 2.5-liter can, which is about two-thirds of a gallon. By comparison, a typical gallon of paint sold at most retail stores costs about $27. Lahey said the paint can get as much as 50 percent more coverage than traditional paints.

Homeowners may use wall color to enliven a living space, creating a calming atmosphere or one of warmth.

Meyerhoff has some tips on choosing colors for rooms at home:

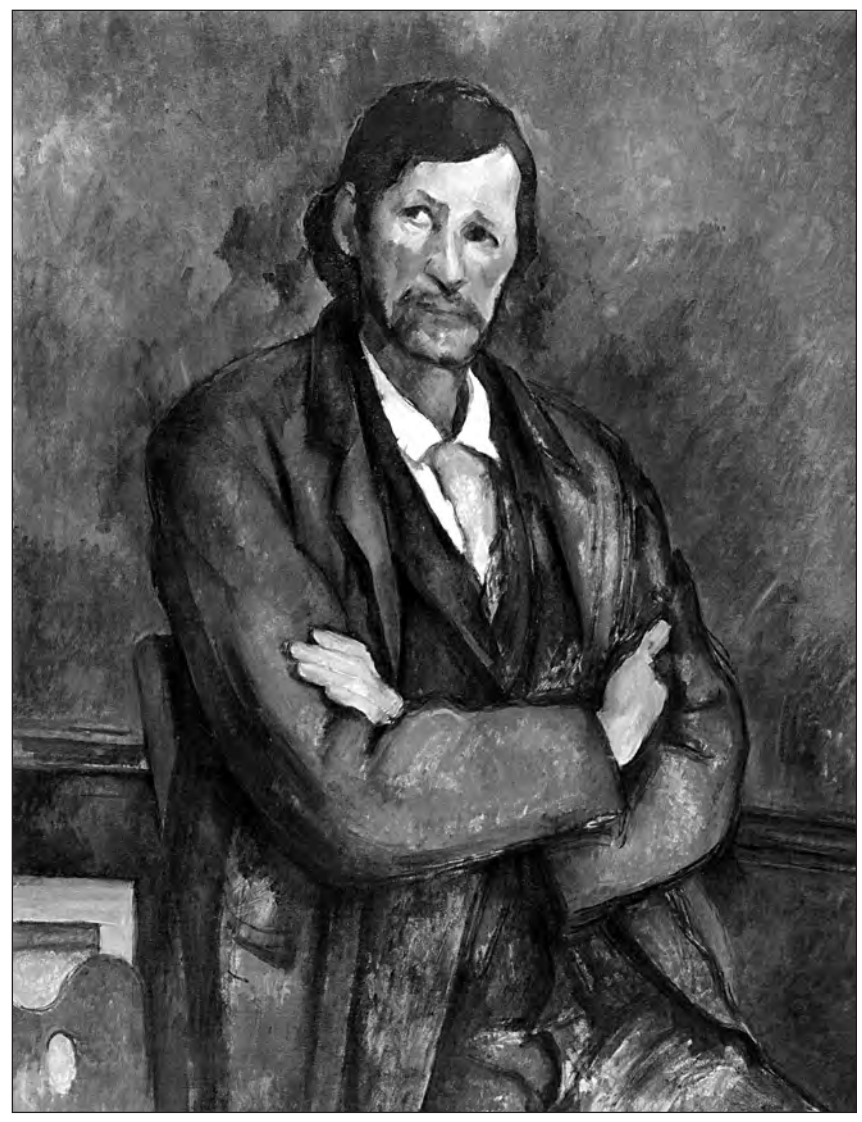
■ Use gray to mute the background and put the focus on your objects, whether they're works of art, or features such as fireplaces, crown molding or furniture.

■ Pick up a tone for a featured object in the room — such as a couch — and use a similar tone on the walls. Having the same tone throughout will soften a room.

■ If you have something you want to hide — such as bad corners or pipes — use dark colors.

■ To make a dramatic statement, paint one wall a strong color, such as a vibrant red or blue.

Fine Paints of Europe offers color consultations to customers six days a week by phone.



THE SOLOMON R. GUGGENHEIM MUSEUM / AP

This image courtesy of The Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum, New York shows Paul Cezanne's, "Man with Crossed Arms," ca. 1899.

This image shows Vincent van Gogh's "Mountains at Saint-Rémy," July 1889.

Here's ideas for gift giving

ROSEMARY SADEZ FRIEDMANN
Scripps Howard News Service

Gift giving — oh my, what a daunting chore it can be. With Christmas just a few weeks away, that sometimes-intimidating task can give us anxiety. Will we choose the right gift for the right person? Will the one receiving the gift like it? Will the gift fit? So many questions. Let's see if we can think of some interesting gifts to give that will be pleasing to the recipient.

Handmade or items that look handmade are usually a hit, such as needlepoint items. They impart a sense of nostalgia and feel old-fashioned, which can be a nice feeling, particularly around Christmastime. A needlepoint pillow cover is an example. Did you know that there are iPad and Kindle needlepoint cases for sale? Check around the Internet.

Do you like to bake? Ah, you've given baked items for Christmas before, but have you put them into special containers that can be displayed and used year-round? A nice bowl that will work in the kitchen or can be displayed in the dining room would be nice.

Personalized items are another idea that makes it feel like you really thought of the person you are gifting. Anything monogrammed will work. Personalized stationery is usually a very welcome gift as well.

Of course, we can't forget the pets. Pet owners love gifts for their pets, so why not a pet sweater for your friend's best friend? If you don't know what to give someone and he or she has a dog, perhaps a gift for the dog would be better appreciated than something for the pet owner.

Robes, pajamas and slippers are items most people don't usually buy for themselves, so those could be a choice for the right person. Flannel pajamas? Ooh, nice. On the same comfy thought, how about a nice chenille throw for cold winter nights? The throws can be used as decoration on a sofa, loveseat or chair when not in use.

A cocktail table can usually use a nice, big interesting book or two. They make the table look dressed and can be conversation pieces. Perhaps a book would be a gift idea.

At any rate, give from the heart.

A look at 'Decoding Gardening Advice'

SUSAN BANKS
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

"DECODING GARDENING ADVICE: THE SCIENCE BEHIND THE 100 MOST COMMON RECOMMENDATIONS"

By Jeff Gillman.

Timber Press ($18.95)

I have often said I wanted to found a group called the Commonsense Gardeners because, truth be told, common sense is lacking in a great many areas of life, gardening included.

If such a group existed, scientist and author Jeff Gillman would be the president. His new book, "Decoding Gardening Advice: The Science Behind the 100 Most Common Recommendations," written with Meleah Maynard, will hit bookshelves this month. It takes common questions about soil, water, pests, diseases, mulch, annuals, perennials, trees, veggies and lawn care and dissects them in scientific fashion.

For instance, Gillman debunks the use of mycorrhizae fungi, saying: "There is no question that naturally occurring mycorrhizae are beneficial. The only questions are whether you need to add them to the soil, and whether they are alive when you buy them."

His conclusion: When they were tested at the University of Minnesota with otherwise healthy plants growing in reasonably healthy soils, there was no benefit to their use.

On the question of using organic instead of synthetic fertilizers, he has plenty to say. He points out that not all organic fertilizers are harvested or mined in ways that are ecologically friendly.

His conclusion: Wisely chosen organic fertilizers are a good idea for the garden, but if you are on a budget, synthetics can do the job just as well.

SALES

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That's down from 30 percent in September. Many of the sales went to investors, who are increasingly buying homes priced under $100,000. Sales in that category have increased more than 24 percent over the past year while sales of more expensive homes have fallen.

Sales have fallen in four of the five years since the housing boom went bust in 2006. Declining prices and record-low mortgage rates haven't been enough to boost sales.

Most economists say home prices will keep falling, by at least 5 percent, through the rest of the year. Many forecasts don't anticipate a rebound in prices until at least 2013.

The median sales price dropped roughly 2 percent to $162,500 in October.

The high rate of foreclosures has made re-sold homes much cheaper than new homes. The median price of a new home is roughly 30 percent higher than the price of one that's been occupied before — twice the normal markup.

Investors are taking advantage of the discounts. Their purchases made up 19 percent of all sales last month, compared with less than 10 percent in healthier housing markets.

Home sales rose across the most of the country. Sales increased 4.4 percent in the West, 2.8 percent in the Midwest and 2.1 percent in the South. They fell 5.1 percent in the Northeast.

The glut of unsold homes declined slightly in August to 3.33 million homes. At last month's sales pace, it would take 8 months to clear those homes. Analysts say a healthy supply can be cleared in six months.

The housing market continues to struggle even as the broader economy has shown some improvement in recent months.

The economy grew at an annual pace of 2.5 percent in the July-September quarter. Many economists expect slightly better growth in the October-December quarter.

Last week, the government reported further improvement in the number of people seeking unemployment benefits for the first time. The number fell to 388,000, the fewest since April.

In October, the economy added a net total of 80,000 jobs. It was the 13th straight month of gains. Still, the additional jobs were fewer than the roughly 125,000 that are needed each month just to keep up with population growth.

PROPERTY TRANSFERS

LOCATION: 8866 Hillsdale Drive, Orlando **FEATURES:** 3BR/2BA **LISTING PRICE:** $127,000 **SELLING PRICE:** $115,000 **LISTING AGENT & OFFICE:** Alan Bloom, Sabal Palm Real Estate. **SELLING AGENT & OFFICE:** Kim Ducharme, Morris Realty & Investments.

LOCATION: 28130 Price Road, Okahumpka **FEATURES:** 4BR/2BA, 2,091 sq. ft., Built in 2007, Mobile **LISTING PRICE:** $79,900 **SELLING PRICE:** $79,900 **LISTING AGENT & OFFICE:** Jessica Graham, ERA Tom Grizzard. **SELLING AGENT & OFFICE:** Brenda Flagg, Vangie Berry Signature Realty.

LOCATION: 13 Cove Lane, Eustis **FEATURES:** 2BR/2BA, 1,040 sq. ft. Cute townhome is clean, spacious and open. Screened porch and lake access. **LISTING PRICE:** $65,000 **SELLING PRICE:** $59,800 **LISTING AGENT & OFFICE:** Loretta Maimone, Maimone Realty. **SELLING AGENT & OFFICE:** Anthony Roberts, John Roberts Realty.

LOCATION: 34328 S. Haines Creek Road, Leesburg **FEATURES:** 2BR/2BA, 1,008 sq. ft., Built in 1975, MH/Siding. **LISTING PRICE:** $35,000 **SELLING PRICE:** $35,000 **LISTING AGENT & OFFICE:** Ryan Berry, Vangie Berry Signature Realty. **SELLING AGENT & OFFICE:** Angie Biederman, RE/MAX Realty Centre.

LOCATION: 1201 Holly Drive, Mt. Dora **FEATURES:** 3BR/2BA, 1,159 sq. ft., Built in 2006, Block **LISTING PRICE:** $85,000 **SELLING PRICE:** $88,000 **LISTING AGENT & OFFICE:** Ryan Berry, Vangie Berry Signature Realty. **SELLING AGENT & OFFICE:** Skye Runnels, Vintage Realty Inc.

LOCATION: 545 Shadow Run, Leesburg **FEATURES:** 2BR/2BA **LISTING PRICE:** $104,900 **SELLING PRICE:** $95,000 **LISTING AGENT & OFFICE:** Theresa Morris, Morris Realty & Investments. **SELLING AGENT & OFFICE:** Patricia Tiver, Weichert Realtors Hallmarkl Properties.

LOCATION: 5550 Huron Street, Mount Dora **FEATURES:** Unique 4-unit property in the heart of Tangerine **LISTING PRICE:** $114,900 **SELLING PRICE:** $75,000 **LISTING AGENT & OFFICE:** Betty Hensinger, ERA Tom Grizzard Inc. **SELLING AGENT & OFFICE:** Brian Warner, Coldwell Banker Residential

LOCATION: 1054 Bluegrass Drive, Groveland **FEATURES:** 3BR/2BA Huge backyard with pirate ship playground. 1,198 sq. ft. **LISTING PRICE:** $70,000 **SELLING PRICE:** $68,500 **LISTING AGENT & OFFICE:** Tania Matthews, Keller Williams Homestead Realty. **SELLING AGENT & OFFICE:** Joann Bonilla, Mighty Realty Inc.

LOCATION: 9930 Spring Lake Drive, Palisades, Clermont **FEATURES:** 4BR/2.5BA, 2,151 sq. ft. **LISTING PRICE:** $230,000 **SELLING PRICE:** $206,000 **LISTING AGENT & OFFICE:** Michael Hammert, Watson Realty Corp. **SELLING AGENT & OFFICE:** Arsene Georges, Weichert Realators Hallmark Properties.

LOCATION: 2287 Knollwood Drive, Leesburg **FEATURES:** 4BR/3BA **LISTING PRICE:** $179,900 **SELLING PRICE:** $170,000 **LISTING AGENT & OFFICE:** Theresa Morris, Morris Realty & Investments. **SELLING AGENT & OFFICE:** Lena Williams &Lauren Fickett, Morris Realty & Investments.

LOCATION: 2610 Botello Avenue, The Villages **FEATURES:** 2BR/1BA **LISTING PRICE:** $97,850 **SELLING PRICE:** $94,000 **LISTING AGENT & OFFICE:** Camie Kennedy & Lena Williams, Morris Realty & Investments. **SELLING AGENT & OFFICE:** Lena Williams, Morris Realty & Investments.

LOCATION: Cypress Springs Loop, Okahumpa **FEATURES:** Vacant land. **LISTING PRICE:** $11,800 **SELLING PRICE:** $10,000 **LISTING AGENT & OFFICE:** Theresa Morris, Morris Realty & Investments. **SELLING AGENT & OFFICE:** Theresa Morris, Morris Realty & Investments.

LOCATION: 11250 Lake Drive, Leesburg **FEATURES:** 3BR/2BA, 1,650 sq. ft., Lakefront with Pool. **LISTING PRICE:** $144,900 **SELLING PRICE:** $144,900 **LISTING AGENT & OFFICE:** Cindy Wheeler, ERA Tom Grizzard Inc. **SELLING AGENT & OFFICE:** Mary Dunn, Dunn Realty.

LOCATION: 4615 Inverness Drive, Leesburg **FEATURES:** 3BR/2BA, 1,671 sq. ft., with enclosed lanai. **LISTING PRICE:** $119,900 **SELLING PRICE:** $110,000 **LISTING AGENT & OFFICE:** Tom Schnell, Weichert Realators. **SELLING AGENT & OFFICE:** Kathy O'Brien, ERA Tom Grizzard Inc.

LOCATION: 732 Timbercrest Drive **FEATURES:** 2BR/2BA, 1,422 sq. ft., Enclosed Lanai. **LISTING PRICE:** $147,500 **SELLING PRICE:** $110,000 **LISTING AGENT & OFFICE:** Bill Gander, ERA Tom Grizzard Inc. **SELLING AGENT & OFFICE:** Bill Gander, ERA Tom Grizzard Inc.

LOCATION: 1252 N. Alexander Street, Mount Dora **FEATURES:** Charming 3BR/2BA with lovely wood accents. Walk to downtown Mt Dora. **LISTING PRICE:** $110,000 **SELLING PRICE:** $80,000 **LISTING AGENT & OFFICE:** Cheryl Hilty, ERA Tom Grizzard Inc. **SELLING AGENT & OFFICE:** Sharon LaPointe, Keller Williams Advantage III

LOCATION: 2578 Bainbridge Lane **FEATURES:** 2BR/2BA **LISTING PRICE:** $189,900 **SELLING PRICE:** $185,000 **LISTING AGENT & OFFICE:** Karen Sartele, Remax Realty Center. **SELLING AGENT & OFFICE:** Marlene Mead, Foxfire Realty.

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