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Spartacus the cockatoo sneaks the opportunity to evade handler Christin Anne Burford and run into the audience at Minneola City Hall. Burford of the CARE Foundation brought a collection of animals to city hall as part of the city's summer reading series. A large crowd of children and adults came to see her show off her animal friends. In addition to Spartacus, there was Opie the opossum, who hung from Burford's hand like a sloth (right photo); Brutus the alligator, who shows off his teeth with a little help from Burford (photo below); and Rosie the white-faced capuchin monkey (not shown).



CLERMONT

Cops accuse each other at city meeting

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Clermont police Chief Steve Graham placed Lt. James Loughman on administrative leave this week pending an initial review by Professional Standards and an internal investigation into allegations of discrepancies on his employment application and resume.



GRAHAM

This comes after a group of officers and residents — including former Clermont Sgt. Kim Meintzchel, one of six officers who claim they were all eventually terminated following a

two-year-old complaint against Graham — provided the information to officials during a city council meeting on June 12.

It's not the first meeting they attended. Groups of former officers and residents with complaints against the department regularly attend to ask for resignations from Graham and other city officials.

At the latest council meeting, Graham read from a prepared statement he'd submitted to City Manager Wayne Saunders on June 22 regarding the

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GROVELAND

Council members vote to cut pay by 10 percent

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Groveland's city council members went into Monday's meeting earning \$850 per month in pay for their services and left making \$765 — or 10 percent less.

Mayor Mike Radzik took a 27 percent pay cut, taking him from \$1,050 per month to \$765.

"People were asking that in these economic times, cuts in Groveland start at the top, so the council cutting its pay I think is a positive and proactive step to show our

willingness to make those sacrifices," Councilman James Smith said.

The motion, introduced by Councilman John Griffin, came after a handful of residents approached the council earlier this year demanding members cut their pay.

The council had been considering cutting city employee bonuses and incentive pay as a way to trim the budget.

Resident Glen Wilson suggested a cut to \$300 per month for council

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CLERMONT

Hospital names new chief operating officer

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South Lake Hospital, in partnership with Orlando Health, recently welcomed Paul Johns as its new chief operating officer.

"We're very excited to have him on board," South Lake Hospital President John Moore said. "He brings tremendous operational experience and leadership skills, and we think he'll be a great addition."

According to information from SLH officials, Johns, a Lake County resident who received his master's degree in business administration from Webster University in Orlando and his bachelor's degree in professional studies from SUNY College in Brockport, N.Y., has been with the Orlando Health system for 10 years.

Most recently, he was the administrator of Ancillary and Support Services at Dr. P. Phillips Hospital in Orlando.

Johns' initial focus with the Orlando Health system in 2003 was as director of rehabilitation at Dr. P. Phillips Hospital's (formerly Sand Lake Hospital) Brain Injury Recovery Center. His expertise in planning and evaluating service lines led him to several other administrative positions within the Orlando Health organization before joining South Lake Hospital as the COO.



PAUL JOHNS

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JONATHAN HICKS
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I play video games inside. I'm really not too much of an active person.

ALEX GRIFFITH
MASCOTTE



We swim in the pool as much as possible and sometimes. We also go to movies and visit the library often since they have a lot of fun indoor activities.

ADRIANE PELLEGRINO
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I jump in my pool sometimes and look for things to do in the A/C, like play video games.

COURTNEY LYNCH
CLERMONT



No matter what I'm doing, I look for shade.

BRANDON RAMNATH
CLERMONT

COPS

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accusation and his actions surrounding the matter. In it, Graham verified that he asked for an initial review and internal investigation on Loughman.

"Lt. Loughman's qualifications will be thoroughly reviewed as part of the investigation. That investigation is being assigned to Capt. Chuck Broadway and upon completion, the results will be forwarded to the administrative services director in city hall for any final decision should a violation of general orders be sustained," Graham said.

According to Loughman's application and resume on file, the discrepancies include inconsistencies regarding dates. For instance, one entry on Loughman's employment application, filled out in August 2008, indicated that he had worked for the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office from December 1989 to June 2003, at the Palm Beach County School Police from June 2004 to February 2007, and at the Ocean Ridge Police Department from February 2007 to July 2008.

His resume shows he worked at Ocean Ridge from 2005 to 2007, at the Palm Beach County School District from 2001 to 2005, and at the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office from 1989 to 2001, although a resignation

from that department states an effective date as February 2000.

Another entry on his resume says he worked at the Boynton Beach Police Department from 1983 to 1989.

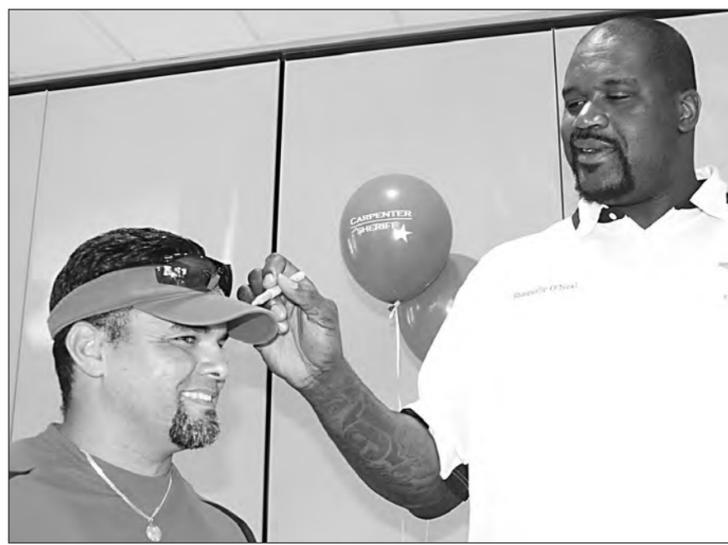
Derek Brett, an Orlando attorney and professor at the University of Central Florida who represents two of the former officers who filed a suit against the Clermont Police Department for wrongful termination, said he asked Loughman about the discrepancies at a recent hearing.

"To me, his explanation was the equivalent of someone claiming 'the dog ate my homework.' He said his wife wrote his resume," Brett said. "Now come on, you know it's a violation of state law to falsify documents such as these, and you don't cross check to verify what's being submitted is all correct?" he said.

According to Meintzchel, Loughman claims he received awards he may not have received and that Loughman was given the position because he is Graham's friend.

In his statement, Graham said he has copies of those awards on file to prove Loughman's entries are correct and said two outside agencies and Broadway tested and graded all candidates for the position.

Still, Meintzchel said the Loughman incident is just one example of wrongdoing by police officials.



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Rodney Samayoa, left, of Clermont gets his sun visor autographed by retired NBA star Shaquille O'Neal on Sunday at Waterfront Park in Clermont.

CLERMONT

Shaq wows locals at campaign function

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A long line wound around Waterfront Park in Clermont on Sunday afternoon, where men, grandmas and children gushed at meeting and posing for pictures with 7-foot, 1-inch retired NBA superstar Shaquille O'Neal.

O'Neal didn't disappoint. He autographed basketballs, T-shirts and hats. He melted at the sight of babies, and cradled each infant carefully in his large hands.

Most of all, O'Neal was at the "meet-and-greet" to show support for his longtime friend and law enforcement veteran Sandy Carpenter, who is running for Lake County sheriff.

"Sandy has been my professional mentor, business mentor, law enforcement mentor for the past 20 to 25 years," said O'Neal, who first met the Orange County Sheriff's deputy when O'Neal was playing for the Orlando Magic. "I met him when I was a young, spoiled rich kid, and it could have went in either direction."

O'Neal remembers they bonded immediately. He regarded Carpenter "like my father."

"I could tell that Sandy cares about people, all types of people. He's sort of like myself in that I

don't see color, and he's a people person and that's what I liked about him," O'Neal said. "I want people to know that he's a trustworthy person. He's a classy person and the great thing about him is that he's not a politician."

The two men found they had similar interests and upbringing. Their friendship grew to where each was encouraging the other to chase after their dreams.

"I realized that he was a gentle giant, and he truly was a man, even though he was young in his career," Carpenter recalled of the first meeting. "We just clicked, we became associates, so to speak."

O'Neal was the one who inspired Carpenter to run for Lake County sheriff, the county where Carpenter has long lived. If elected, Carpenter is pleased that O'Neal wants to get more involved in helping Lake County youths.

"He will be working for the Lake County taxpayers for \$1 a year as a special projects deputy working in the schools with children, doing a program called 'You Can Be A Star Or You Can Wear Stripes,'" Carpenter said, adding the program would be geared around O'Neal's ability to motivate youths.

NEW COO

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Prior to his work with Orlando Health, Johns spent eight years with Leesburg Regional Medical Center, where he held several positions, including vice president.

At South Lake Hospital, Johns will work closely with Moore and assist with operational strategies and oversee all ancillary services.

"This is certainly an exciting time for South Lake Hospital as we

continue to grow our campus, and I think having Paul here will help us to continue serving the community as we have for many years," Moore said.

South Lake Hospital, in partnership with Orlando Health, is part of a 180-acre health, wellness and education campus that employs approximately 1,100 team members and includes the 122-bed hospital, the Centre for Women's Health, the National Training Center, an outpatient surgery center and an endoscopy center.

South Lake Briefs

CLERMONT

Deadline for beginner birding workshop Friday

The deadline to register for a beginner birding workshop with John Thomson is Friday.

Thomson will share his knowledge of birds, binoculars and tricks of the trade at the Florida Scrub-Jay Trail, 11490 Monte Vista Road in Clermont, from 8 to 11 a.m., July 14, as part of the continuing educational series being offered by the Florida Scrub-Jay Consortium.

The workshop will cover the basics in identification of species through their silhouettes, flight patterns and their beaks, and the proper use of binoculars.

Cost is \$10 for Florida Scrub-Jay Trail members and \$15 nonmembers.

To register send an email to info@scrubjaytrail.org, or call 352-429-5566.

MINNEOLA

Backpacks of Food to be distributed Saturday

Kids backpacks full of food items will be distributed from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Saturday at New Beginnings Helping Hands Outreach program in the Winn-Dixie shopping plaza near Real Life Christian Church, 1501 Steve's Road in Clermont.

It is the first of three such planned distributions. The other two will be held on July 14 and Aug. 4, also from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.,

The backpacks will be filled with nonperishable food items, and will be given to children who were on the free and reduced lunch program during the school year.

For information about New Beginnings, 200 E. Washington St. in Minneola, visit newbeginningslake.org, or call 352-404-6946.

CLERMONT

Kidz Care will start its enrollment on Aug. 20

Clermont Kidz Care, 606 West Ave., Clermont, has announced it will participate in the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Child Care Food Program, which is a federally funded program that reimburses child care providers for serving nutritious meals and snacks to enrolled, eligible children.

Also, beginning Aug. 20, Clermont Kidz Care will be enrolling children for the upcoming school year.

The school accepts child care vouchers, and has a VPK program for all eligible four year olds.

For information call Patricia Mark at 352-241-0165.

CLERMONT

Free school physicals available on July 12, 13, 21

Back to School is COOL Lake County, a local charity that empowers homeless and underprivileged students to succeed at school level, has partnered with Paramount Urgent Care to ensure students have the physicals required to start school in the fall in Lake, Sumter and Orange counties.

The physicals are available on the following dates and Paramount Urgent Care locations:

■ In Clermont – From 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., July 12 and 13, at 628 Cagan View Road. Call 352-242-1988 for information.

■ In Orlando — From 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., July 21, at 8972 Turkey Lake Road in Orlando. Call 407-226-1906 for information.

CLERMONT

Belk hosts 'Brownies for the Cure' Aug. 3.

The Belk store in Clermont will be selling brownies donated by Chick-fil-A from 10 a.m. to noon, Aug. 3, at the store, 270 Citrus Tower Blvd.

Brownies can be purchased for a minimum donation of \$1 with all proceeds going to the Susan G. Komen Cancer Foundation.

The foundation supports many medical facilities in the area with grants, including South Lake Hospital, Florida Hospital Waterman Community Primary Health Clinic, and others.

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Tickets available for 'Lia Maivia'

Special to the South Lake Press

Tickets now available for 4th annual "Lia Maivia" fundraising scholarship banquet

Big name sports collectible items will be available at this fundraising event for the Samoan Family Foundation (USOS) for underprivileged kids.

The event begins at 5 p.m., Aug. 4, at the Minneola City Hall Recreation Center in Minneola.

Tickets are \$50 and include dinner, dessert, scholarship presentation and entertainment.

Silent auction items include an autographed poster from Dwayne "The Rock" Johnson, an autographed basketball from Shaquille O'Neal, and other sports greats including Terrell Owens.

Tickets are available at: www.usosfoundation.org.

For information send an email to usosfoundation@aol.com, or call 352-988-5499.

No tickets will be available at the door.

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members and \$400 per month for the mayor, matching what Clermont council members make for similar services in a much larger city.

Wilson started a petition drive to get the matter placed on a ballot come November.

Monday's motion passed 3-1.

Radzik said he dissented out of concern that a 10 percent cut was not substantial enough and because he did not agree on voting on such changes with a fellow council member away. Councilman Jared Mincey is on vacation.

"I am in favor of council pay cuts. I've even said I would work for no pay, but I am not in support of the 10 percent reduction," Radzik said. "We're talking a huge difference in what the voters are asking for because if you look at the numbers closely, what the council is saving the city with a 10 percent decrease is \$7,500 annually. What we could be saving the city at the level being proposed by petitions, however, is about \$34,000."

"It's not enough. It's unacceptable. All I keep hearing is that in these economic times 'we can't, we can't, we can't,' but yet the council can't further cut their pay to make a real difference?"

Griffin said he feels 10 percent is a good start, considering that council also cut its pay by 15 percent in 2010.

"With this economy, everybody needs to make some sort of contribution and I feel we've done our part," he said.



MAYOR MIKE RADZIK

Vice Mayor Tim Loucks said that Griffin "stepped up to the plate" with the motion and said he was "shocked" that Radzik voted against it or did not offer a counter motion for a higher rate.

Radzik said he wants council members to agree on further cuts to help balance the budget should it be necessary for the next fiscal year.

Loucks, who previously said a cut was not warranted when it was brought up in April, voted for the 10 percent cut Monday after a drop in the city's taxable values was announced recently.

"In hard economic times you have to sacrifice a little to help the city," Loucks said. "What I'm interested in doing, however, is finding some way to help all our citizens, not just a few."

Wilson, who was at the meeting, said the 10 percent cut is "a joke."

"If they wanted to talk about a compromise they could start at 50 percent reduction, which would still have them making more than Clermont," Wilson said Tuesday, adding that he plans to have more than the required 400 signatures to get the matter of council pay placed on the ballot by the next council meeting on July 16.

"At this meeting I will be asking the Council to recognize the 'will of the people' and place a charter amendment on the Nov. 6, 2012, election ballot to establish a salary structure of \$300 per month for the council and \$400 per month for the mayor," he said.

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OUR VOICE

County's economic development work pays big dividends

MONEY WELL SPENT:

We can't afford to step back and hope good, clean industry finds Lake and Sumter counties on the map. We must invest in our prosperity and tell the world why we call this our home.

The phrase "economic development" carries little meaning outside the circles of local government. Government leaders tout the benefits of economic development but sometimes can offer little tangible evidence of how or whether it helps.

Lake County has spent more than \$1.2 million in the last five years to help nine companies expand or move to the area. That assistance reportedly created 974 jobs.

A third of those companies have since either closed or moved away, which caused a loss of 597 of those jobs.

Critics of spending on economic development point to those statistics and the county's budget tightening as good reasons to shift focus to other priorities.

The lesson in the recent news, critics assert, is that economic development efforts are a waste of money, especially in hard times.

However, viewing economic development merely in immediate cost-benefit terms is short sighted. It misses the big picture.

Economic development officials pitch an area's benefits and the reasons for building or expanding local companies. In turn, leaders of prospective businesses and industries consider the sales pitches and plan accordingly.

Lake and Sumter counties have plenty to offer prospective employers — but without that information, entrepreneurs have fewer options to consider. Economic development provides that information link.

It is an investment in our area's future. Companies build or expand locally; they pay taxes; they hire workers, who pay taxes. All this allows government to provide better and higher-quality services.

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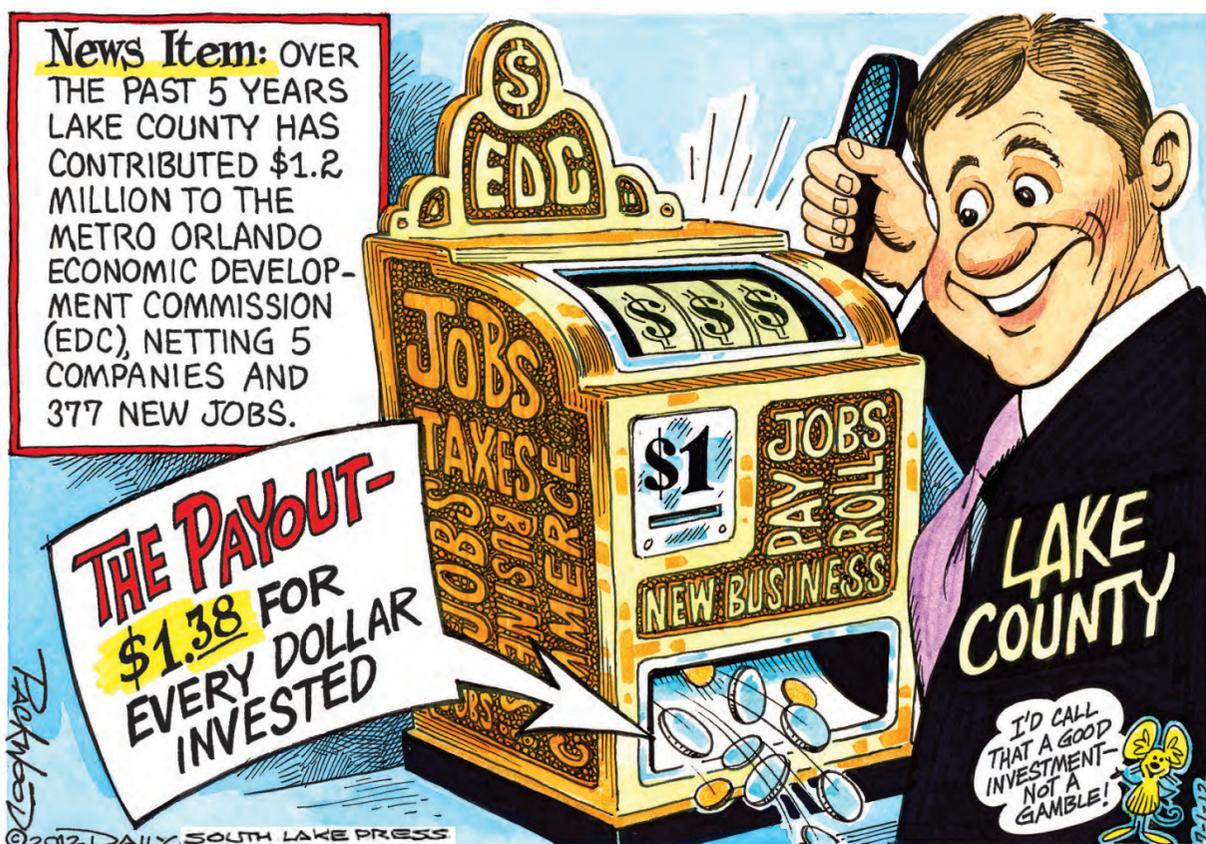
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YOUROPINIONS

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Every public office race should be nonpartisan

In Lake County the race for sheriff is a partisan affair; however, now it is open to all voters.

Until so-called opposition write-in candidate Mark Edwin Thompson was declared ineligible, only members of the private Republican Party were allowed to determine who would be the next sheriff because only they could vote in the private Republican primary. There were no other private political party candidates.

That is awful and needs correcting.

What is worse is the write-in candidate fiasco, used by both political parties, which has disenfranchised voters for years. Because of it, in Seminole County, the commissioner's race is restricted to only Republicans.

Do we really need a Republican sheriff or a Libertarian sheriff; or simply a sheriff for all the people? Doesn't the sheriff protect members of all political stripes? Why does it have to be a partisan race?

In Orange County, Rich Crotty, former legislator and county mayor, and Earl K. Wood, both Democrats, had a goofy time trying to outfox one another for the office of tax collector. Democrat Wood, having served half a century, thinks the job belongs to him or who he picks to succeed him (nepotism is rampant). It doesn't; it is the people's office.

So is every other publicly elected office, including constitutional offices. They are all paid for by all the people, Republicans, Democrats, Libertarians, socialist, Green Party and no party affiliated citizens.

We must take our offices back and return them to the people by allowing every legal voter to realize the American voting right to vote in every election.

Over in Osceola County, state Rep. Mike Horner wants county commissioner offices to be nonpartisan; great!

However, that worthwhile citizen's ballot initiative should also include the office of state representative, state senator, governor and members of Congress. Already school boards and some municipal elected offices are nonpartisan.

Every public office should be nonpartisan; they are not the property of private political parties.

Nonpartisan offices and open primaries are the democratic way to include all eligible voters in the electoral process.

Horner decries the legal expense of a court battle over timing of the initiative in Osceola County. Hypocritically, Horner and other legislators paid little heed to the advice of so many against so much ill-conceived legislation passed by the last Legislature and now finding opposition in the courts. An expensive comeuppance, indeed! However, now legal expense is an important issue to him. Go figure.

Horner should work in the next Legislature to make sure laws do not restrict the legitimate registration and

LETTER of the WEEK



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Out-of-wedlock pregnancies have been incentivized by social welfare policies

You recently ran an article about Mississippi's efforts to fight teenage pregnancy. In the article, you cite economists Phillip Levine and Melissa Kearney — that it is "hard to find evidence that supports" the "assumption" that pregnancy is a deciding factor in whether a young woman slides into poverty.

I don't know whether this is a misprint, a misunderstanding of their research or just an outright lie.

A June 3 op-ed in the Los Angeles Times entitles, "The single-mom catastrophe — The demise of two-parent families in the U.S. has been an economic catastrophe for society" utilized some of this abundant research that this Associated Press author could not seem to find.

That article stated: "The single-mother revolution has been an economic catastrophe for women. Poverty remains relatively rare among married couples with children; the U.S. Census puts only 8.8 percent of them in that category, up from 6.7 percent since the start of the Great Recession. ... But of the two-fifths of bottom-quintile households that are families, 83 percent are headed by single mothers. The Brookings Institution's Isabel Sawhill calculates that virtually all the increase in child poverty in the United States since the 1970s would vanish if parents still married at 1970 rates."

voting rights of legal citizens. While American soldiers fight for the right to vote in other countries, officials work to deny that right here!

All elections should be open to all the voters not just the members of a private political party as the primaries now are in Florida. Florida is one of 19 such states. All of our public offices ought to be nonpartisan; this isn't the Kiwanis or the AFL/CIO, where only members can vote!

This is America, and we all are entitled to vote in each and every election

This is just one example of the massive research proving conclusively that starting a family as a single, teenage mother was, is and will be for the foreseeable future, regardless how much money we as a society spend on the interventions for the mother and her offspring such as Medicaid, housing assistance, food stamps, special education programs and a host of other expensive programs, the number one cause of poverty in our country.

The real news about their study, which was published this spring in the *Journal of Economic Perspectives*, was not even cited in the AP article. Teen pregnancy rates in the U.S. are high according to Levine and Kearney because "... they (young women) choose nonmarital motherhood at a young age instead of investing in their own economic progress because they feel they have little chance of advancement."

In other words, these girls are not getting pregnant because they didn't have access to or knowledge of contraception but rather it is a "choice" they make because they see unwed motherhood as their financial future.

What does that mean in plain speak? That our social welfare policies have incentivized out of wedlock pregnancy. These are policies that desperately need reforming.

DARLA HUDDLESTON | Bushnell

to fill our public offices.

How refreshing it will be to not have to declare a private political party affiliation in order to exercise the American right to vote!

Choice Edwards is a resident of Clermont.



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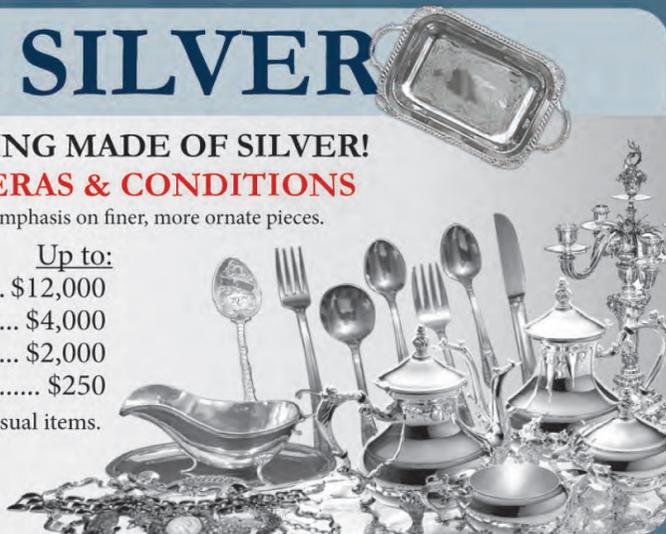
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LAKE COUNTY | WINNING READERS

Motel manager arrested on child porn charges

MILLARD K. IVES | Staff Writer
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A motel desk manager in Clermont was arrested Tuesday after Lake County detectives said they found more than 8,000 images of child pornography on his laptop computer.

Michael Chenoweth, 30, of Lake Panasoffkee, is accused of downloading the porn at his job at Days Inn off U.S. Highway 27 in Clermont and at his Sumter County home.

Chenoweth was charged with 200 counts of possession of child pornography, but detectives say additional charges may be coming, according to an arrest affidavit.

Chenoweth remained in the Lake County jail Wednesday in lieu of \$200,000 bail.

Through an ongoing undercover investigation to detect those downloading child porn, detectives discovered someone had been downloading such images at an IP address assigned to the Clermont Days Inn.

According to the affidavit, when detectives showed up at Chenoweth's job on June 13 to question him, he appeared nervous but in-itially only confessed to downloading adult pornography and even showed detectives his laptop.



CHENOWETH



COURTESY PHOTO

Staff from Lake County schools who met the superintendent's Reading Challenge were recognized in June before the Lake County School Board. Elementary schools that met the Reading Challenge and received a set of books for their libraries are: Astatula Elementary, Beverly Shores Elementary, Leesburg; Clermont Elementary, Cypress Ridge Elementary, Clermont; Fruitland Park Elementary, Grassy Lake Elementary, Clermont; Lost Lake Elementary, Clermont; Mascotte Charter Elementary, Mascotte; Round Lake Charter Elementary, Mount Dora; Sawgrass Bay Elementary, Clermont; Spring Creek Charter Elementary, Paisley; Tavares Elementary, Treadway Elementary, Leesburg and The Villages Elementary.

LSCC president: Dual-enrollment program unsustainable

GREG JONES | Staff Writer
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Lake County School Superintendent Susan Moxley met with Lake-Sumter Community College President Dr. Charles R. Mojock this week to discuss the future of a dual-enrollment program which the college says is unsustainable.

"This was a chance to see where each person stands," said Chris Patton, school district information officer. "We are confi-

dent something will get worked out. The negotiations are ongoing..."

LSCC says it is losing about \$1.27 million a year on dual-enrollment students because, by law, it cannot collect tuition money from them. About 700 students currently use the program to get college credit while still in high school.

Unless LSCC can get some financial assistance from the school district, the college is looking at curbing the number

of dual-enrollment students by limiting classes to two per term. LSCC also could prevent students from signing-up for classes until all fee-paying students have registered first.

But Patton said the school district has costs associated with the program, too, such as textbooks used by the dual-enrollment students. He didn't discuss what was said at the meeting, only that it was an opportunity for both sides to dis-

cuss their positions.

School Board member Tod Howard said he believes something can be worked out.

"It is a good experience for the students but, unfortunately, it is expensive for the kids to go to college," he said. "I hope we find a solution. But money rules at the end of the day."

Fellow board member Jim Miller said he wants what's fair for the district and college.

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OLIVE MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH Sunday Worship Service - 11:00 AM Sunday School - 9:30 AM Prayer Service - Saturday 8:30 AM Bible Study - Wednesday 7:00 PM & 2nd and 4th Sundays 4:00 PM Mt. Olive Missionary Baptist Church 15641 Stuckey Loop Stuckey, FL 34736 (West of Mascotte) Rev. Clarence L. Southall-Pastor Phone: (352)429-3888</p>	<p style="text-align: center; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.2em;">TEMPLE OF THE LIVING GOD</p> <p>415 Old Hwy 50 • 394-4596 Sunday School 9:30 am Sunday Worship & Children's Church 11:00 am Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 pm Wed Worship & Youth Service 7:00 pm Rev. Loyce Rowland</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.2em;">MONTVERDE</p> <hr/> <p>CROSSROADS FAMILY FELLOWSHIP Come to the Country... Where God, families and community are our priority. 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SOUTH LAKE | SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS



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Lake-Sumter AAUW scholarship winners are: Michelle Benght, second from left; Evelyn Guzman, second from right; scholarship committee chair Rosella Valentine, center; committee members Patti Weasel, left, and Joyce Tisovec, right. In its continuing support of higher education for women, the Lake-Sumter branch of the American Association of University Women (AAUW) has awarded scholarships to Michelle Benght and Evelyn Guzman. Benght, a resident of Groveland, graduated from Lake-Sumter Community College and will transfer this fall to the University of South Florida in Tampa to major in International Studies, with a goal to head an organization that seeks to improve the status of women through education, HIV/AIDS awareness, and protection against domestic violence. Evelyn Guzman, a Fruitland Park resident, received an associate's degree in Elementary Education from Lake-Sumter Community College and plans to transfer to the University of Central Florida this fall to earn her bachelor's degree in Elementary Education.

IN MEMORY

DEATH NOTICES

Norajane C. Adam

Norajane C. Adam, 76, of Wildwood died Wednesday, June 27, 2012. **Banks / Page - Theus Funerals and Cremations, Wildwood.**

George Ayers

George Ayers, 81, of Mount Dora, died Thursday, June 28, 2012. **Harden/Pauli Funeral Home, Eustis.**

Virginia Margaret Durand

Virginia Margaret Durand, 81, of Leesburg, died Monday, June 25, 2012. **Beyers Funeral Home and Crematory, Leesburg.**

Edwin Eilenberger

Edwin Eilenberger, 90, of Tavares, died Wednesday, June 27, 2012. **Steverson, Hamlin & Hilbish Funerals and Cremations, Tavares.**

David Lee Everett

David Lee Everett, 84, of Wildwood, died Monday, July 2, 2012. **Beyers Funeral Home and Crematory, Leesburg.**

Elizabeth Fish Fuhu

Elizabeth Fish Fuhe, 96, of Mount Dora, died Wednesday, June 27, 2012. **Harden/Pauli Funeral Home, Eustis.**

George Green

George Green, 86, of Eustis died Saturday, June 30, 2012. **Hamlin & Hilbish Funeral Directors, Eustis.**

Betty Jayne Lausman

Betty Jayne Lausman, 85, of Lady Lake, died Monday, July 2, 2012. **Page-Theus Funerals & Cremations, Leesburg.**

Basil Gene Lewis

Basil Gene Lewis, 82, of Leesburg, died Thursday, June 28, 2012. **Steverson, Hamlin & Hilbish Funerals and Cremations, Tavares.**

Barbara L. Nelson

Barbara L. Nelson, 75, of Mount Dora died Saturday, June 30, 2012. **Harden/Pauli Funeral Home, Eustis.**

Carmine Salvatore

Carmine Salvatore, 92, of Leesburg, died Monday, July 2, 2012. **Beyers Funeral Home and Crematory, Leesburg.**

Christine Rebecca Smith

Christine Rebecca Smith, 53, of Oxford died, Tuesday, June 26, 2012. **Banks / Page - Theus Funeral Home, Wildwood.**

Lucy Ann Smith

Lucy Ann Smith, 90, of Eustis died Friday, June 29, 2012. **Marvin C. Zanders Funeral Home, Inc.,**

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Donald Dean Tirrell

Donald Dean Tirrell, 61, of Tavares, died Tuesday, June 26, 2012. **Steverson, Hamlin & Hilbish Funerals and Cremations, Tavares.**

Clell Upton

Clell Upton, 88, of Fruitland Park, died Wednesday, June 28, 2012. **Page-Theus Funerals & Cremations, Leesburg.**

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MONTVERDE | HORSE WINNERS



From left, trainer Candy Huening, "Fringe Benefits;" Christy Morrison; Carrie Martin-Campbell, "A Hard Line;" and Skyler Berk. On June 15-16, Montverde Academy ninth grader Christy Morrison and eighth grader Skyler Berk participated in two different equestrian competitions in Petersburg, Tenn., competing in the Smith County Horseshow and the Celebration Versatility Show Series. Berk and Morrison both achieved remarkable results in their performance events.

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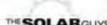
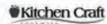


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The original Board of Directors included John H. Land, Lester Morgan, William H. Hinson, L. C. Warden and Charles B. Roe. Honorable John H. Land remains on the Board to this day. Over the next several years, LANGD along with engineers, contractors and investors began the construction of the natural gas system and by 1963 was ready to set in motion the process of serving its community.

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Over the next 35 years the Company prospered and with continued growth required additional office and warehouse space. The SR535 office building project began in 1997. After moving once more in 1998, the Company remains at Winter Garden-Vineland Road, also with an office in Clermont as well as in Apopka. With predicted development and the desire to meet future challenges, changes are currently being made to the warehouse and office to enlarge some areas, better utilize space in others and to create a training room.

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SOUTH LAKE | DISNEY'S CORPORATE ROLE



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Guest speaker Nancy Gidusko, director of Community Relations for the Walt Disney World Resort, spoke on June 14 at the Community Leadership Council meeting hosted by the Community Foundation of South Lake. She spoke about Disney's role in corporate philanthropy and giving pointers to nonprofits seeking any type of corporate philanthropic support.

CLERMONT | BLESSED KNIGHTS



COURTESY PHOTO

The Clermont Blessed Sacrament Knights of Columbus Council No. 13240 installed new officers for the year, effective July 1 with newly elected Grand Knight James Laria, right, being congratulated by Grand Knight Peter Capece. Laria has previously served the council as trustee, financial secretary and for the past two years as deputy Grand Knight. Capece reported at the meeting that for the fiscal year 2011-2012 the council donated more than \$11,000 to local charities.

MINNEOLA | ORGANICALLY GROWN



COURTESY PHOTO

The recent guest at a South Lake Rotary Club meeting was Rick Monaco, left, with Rotarian Rick Ojeda. Rick Monaco, owner and operator of Green Acres CSA in Minneola, talked about the challenges and rewards of organic farming and the health benefits that can be gained from eating organically raised crops. His farm produces a variety of all-organic fruits, vegetables, and flowers and are available for purchase by the public. As a token of appreciation for Monaco's presentation a book will be placed in his honor at a local school library.

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'Don't leave until you see Steve'

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Steve D'Amico's best advice for anyone in town looking for the best insurance rates is: "Don't leave until you see Steve."

All joking aside, D'Amico says his company — D'Amico and Associates — looks out for the best interest of each of their customers from providing them with homeowner's insurance to commercial, boat, automobile, renter's or life insurance.

"Our goal at D'Amico and Associates is to provide our clients with the best possible coverage for the least amount of money," Steve D'Amico, owner and president, said. "We also make sure that our clients are covered for anything from the smallest of claims to those that are the most catastrophic."

D'Amico, who along with his wife, Andrea, own the Clermont company, have been in the insurance business since 1995.

In 2003, they opened their current location at 223 Citrus Tower Boulevard, and since then have been striving to please and meet the insurance needs for the people of Lake County and other Florida communities.

"The best thing about this job is to be able to sit down with clients, evaluate their needs and provide them with peace of mind coverage that saves them a substantial amount of money, especially in these economic times," he said.

D'Amico and Associates is a full-service financial services and property agency. The company's specialty is homeowner's and auto insurance, representing more than 25 companies.

To help, D'Amico relies on his



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From left, Stephen D'Amico, owner and president of D'Amico and Associates, agent Cindy Neuschwanger, customer service personnel Anna McFarland, and Alex D'Amico.

staff, which include several other agents and Cindy Neuschwanger, his office manager, who he said is known throughout the industry for her knowledge and focus on customer service.

D'Amico and Associates represents many A-rated companies, such as Traveler's Mercury, Nationwide, Progressive, American Integrity, St. John's and more.

Most of all, however, D'Amico said he is honored that his company was named by Tower Hill Insurance Company — a 40-year, "A-rated" homeowner's insurance company out of Gainesville — as their number one agent in Lake County.

In addition, D'Amico, an independent licensed financial advisor, works with clients needing his services for things like 401K rollovers, obtaining life insurance, annuities and mutual funds.

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DEANDRAE SPRADLEY



■ **HOMETOWN:** Orlando

■ **OCCUPATION:** Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) manager for the City of Groveland

■ **FAMILY:** Married, no kids

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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?

DJ Brian Clarke, who is an autistic DJ that I recently met. He is really great as a DJ. By observing him in action, I've learned that it's a great thing in life when you can do something that you enjoy and get paid to do it; especially when so many others have put limitations on your life.

How does what you do contribute

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'CHIT-CHAT' ABOUT THE CLERMONT, MINNEOLA CHAMBER

The October 1981 issue of the Clermont, Minneola Area Chamber of Commerce newsletter, "The Chamber Chit-Chat," had a picture logo on the front that featured the Citrus Tower, oranges, a boat, a woman swimmer, Jaycee Beach pier, a fisherman, a golfer, the flag flying over Citizens Bank and two hard-hat workmen.

For several years the offices were located free of charge at 3011 East S.R. 50 and the phone number was the same at 394-4191.

Officers were Tom Willis, Sun Bank, president; Dennis Thomas, realtor, vice president; Ann Ritch, Press Time Printing, secretary/-treasurer; directors, Lillian Holtz-

claw, Chris Giachetti, Matt Graham, Walter Poynter, Lynda McMurphy, Jack Ulch, Mary Ogilvie, Joe Washuta, James Walker, Phil Searles, executive director; and Bill Rogers, volunteer.

The board approved hiring a part-time secretary to work afternoons as soon as funds became available.

"The chamber will finish the year in a good financial posture. Next year we must plan on becoming actively involved in economic growth and have the where-with-all to carry out a strong and aggressive program," said Willis.

Monthly get-togethers were a luncheon at Jenkins Auditorium the third Friday of each month. In September, top people from the

state chamber of commerce in Tallahassee took the time to be here and present the program.

At the time there was a United Chambers Insurance Plan with 60 chambers in the state participating. (The law does not now allow this group insurance plan.) Businesses had to be a chamber member.

A function known as the Orange Blossom Breakfast was held the last Wednesday of each month, and many residents attended with chamber members.

Executive Director Phil Searles wrote, "The chamber is always interested in Lake County's unemployment rate, which normally is higher than the Florida average. In a recent study for 1980, Lake County, out of 67

counties, ranked No. 60 in unemployment rates. The second quarter of 1981 unemployment rate for Lake County was 11.7 or 4 percent higher than other Central Florida counties and Florida overall."

(The Cooper Memorial Library Board was able to get a \$50,000 stimulus grant from the state because it was a depressed area. Because of a bequeath from former board member Louise Arnett, the library had matching funds and built an addition to the building that since has been torn down and is the site of the new Clermont Community Center at Montrose Street and Lake Avenue.)

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ROXANNE BROWN | Staff Writer
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Harmon David Biehl grew up as an angry teenager in Illinois, someone at 6 foot 4 inches tall that nobody would want to mess with.

He served six years (1965-71) in the U.S. Army with the First Infantry Division in Vietnam, but the anger returned when he came home in 1968.

"I was treated like dirt so bad as a Vietnam veteran," Biehl said. "Those are times I don't talk about but I got myself a guitar and trained myself to play it as a way to console myself."

Music put him in a more spiritual state of mind and he committed himself to God, preaching in the streets of Orlando along Orange Blossom Trail.

"My church was OBT, anywhere from Holden all the way to Fair Villa, off the back of my motorcycle," Biehl said, adding that he also worked with the community in Winter Garden with the First Baptist church there. "It was like a big field I had to plant the seeds in, water them and help to harvest the good that came out of it. Sometimes, I just planted seeds."

"I handed out clothes, I handed out food and I handed out Jesus Christ."

The door to his street ministry, however, was shut hard when a woman that ministered with him was shot and killed.

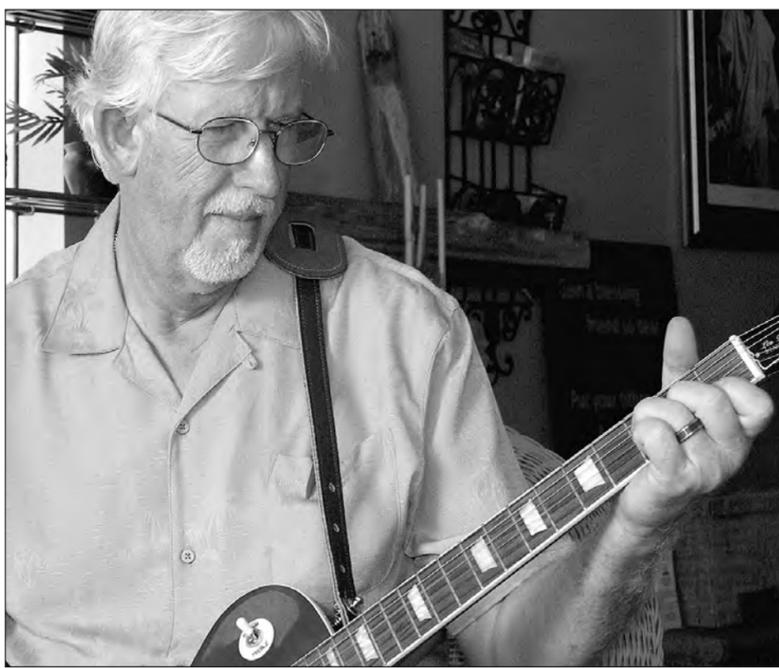
Still wanting to help what he calls the "fringe" people — those on the edge of society, the outlaws and those behind bars — he became a prison minister.

"Working with these people from the 'inside' was an open door for me after that," Biehl said. "I would go into the Orange County Jail, and later to the Lake Correctional Institute, to counsel and visit people."

Today, Biehl still works as LCI's day chaplain, where he not only preaches and teaches classes on evangelism, but leads an 11-man band that plays at the prison.

Biehl also ministers through his own band, The Convicted, which performs upon request at any Christian venue. He also is a member of the Christian Motorcycle Association.

"I'm trying to spread 'the Word' to those who have a long time left in prison and give them hope for the future," Biehl said, adding that



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Harmono Biehl's band, The Convicted, performs on request at any Christian venue.

when people have been in prison for many years, they need help getting reacquainted into society when they get out.

He has accumulated countless stories, some good, some bad. Others are heart wrenching, triumphant, funny or serious; but they all have one thing in common. They're stories about how God has touched him and people he's met through the years, creating the experiences Biehl credits for leading him to where he is today.

Three years ago, Biehl, with his wife Mary Jo by his side, also was led to Crosspoint Presbyterian Church, where he began attending, playing bass and lead guitar in the praise band, and filling in for the regular pastors when needed.

He began taking classes through the University of Dubuque Theological Seminary and, on June 3, was officially named the church's new pastor, known to them now as "Pastor Harm."

"I felt I was ready for this church three years ago, but after taking the classes and learning more about the Presbyterian teachings, I've really grown," he said.

Renee Jones, the director of music there, called Biehl "a man of God on fire."

In turn, Biehl said he is trying to bring "the fire" into the church, taking Crosspoint to a new level through prayer, praise and worship

so that it may break denominational barriers and touch the entire community.

"We want to be those humble servants here at Crosspoint that through praise and worship, and our hearts being in the right place, inspire the Holy Spirit to run freely in this place," he said. "And that's what we're gonna do using our understanding of the church of Jesus Christ."

Biehl has been working with New Beginnings, a not-for-profit organization that helps the homeless, and soon will begin playing music during its Saturday Outreaches. He said Jesus paid no mind to denomination or creed, and neither will he.

"It makes my heart sing to know that we, as leaders of every church within the community, can all get together at the table, break bread and ask, 'What can we do to help each other and join forces?'"

"That's what the real church of Jesus Christ is all about, not denominations," Biehl said.

The church motto, he said, is "When Crosspoint Prays, Good things happen."

"This has been a long time coming for me, to have become the responsible pastor of a church. I've preached for years but leading a church is way bigger than that. You have to be able to talk to people, listen, be there and answer their questions," Biehl said.

NEIGHBOR CONTINUED FROM PAGE B1

to the welfare of the area?

As the CRA manager, I deal with issues regarding the redevelopment and economic development of the community on a daily basis. One of my greatest accomplishments has been convincing local business owners to participate in the CRA's Façade Grant Program.

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

To catch a wahoo or some mahi mahi (I'm a big saltwater fisherman).

What advice would you give to people who want to help out in the community?

It's amazing the joy you receive by helping out someone in the community, and there's plenty of opportunity in every community to give help when needed. My advice: Simply ask around in your local community and get involved (it doesn't have to be something that requires a lot of time).

HISTORY CONTINUED FROM PAGE B1

Searles continued, "During the 1970's per capita personal income stayed at a rank of 15 out of 67 counties, however median family income fell. In 1970, Lake County ranked 38 in median family income but by 1980 fell to No. 45. In percent change in median family income 1970-80 we fell to 61st place. In percent of families with income below the poverty level we rank 31. This isn't bad but we can sure do better because in direct assistance payments we rank 43rd.

"From January to June of 1981 building permits were issued in Lake County for 417 single-family homes, 377 multifamily units and 454 mobile homes. The third largest living-unit development in Lake County was Holiday Travel Park on U.S. Highway 27 South with 524 mobile homes.

"Recently I reported the traffic count was down on U.S. Highway 27 through Clermont. I now learn that gasoline sales in Lake County during the second quarter of 1981 were some two million gallons less than the first quarter. Perhaps this decrease in gallons sold accounts for lower traffic counts.

"The disturbing thing about all this is that at the same time, Florida's Bureau of Visitors reports an increase of almost 25 percent this year in the number of automobiles passing through the state's welcome centers. The number of visiting automobiles to Florida in June and July of 1981 was over a 20 percent increase from last year. Visitors show over a 10 percent increase in numbers so far this year.

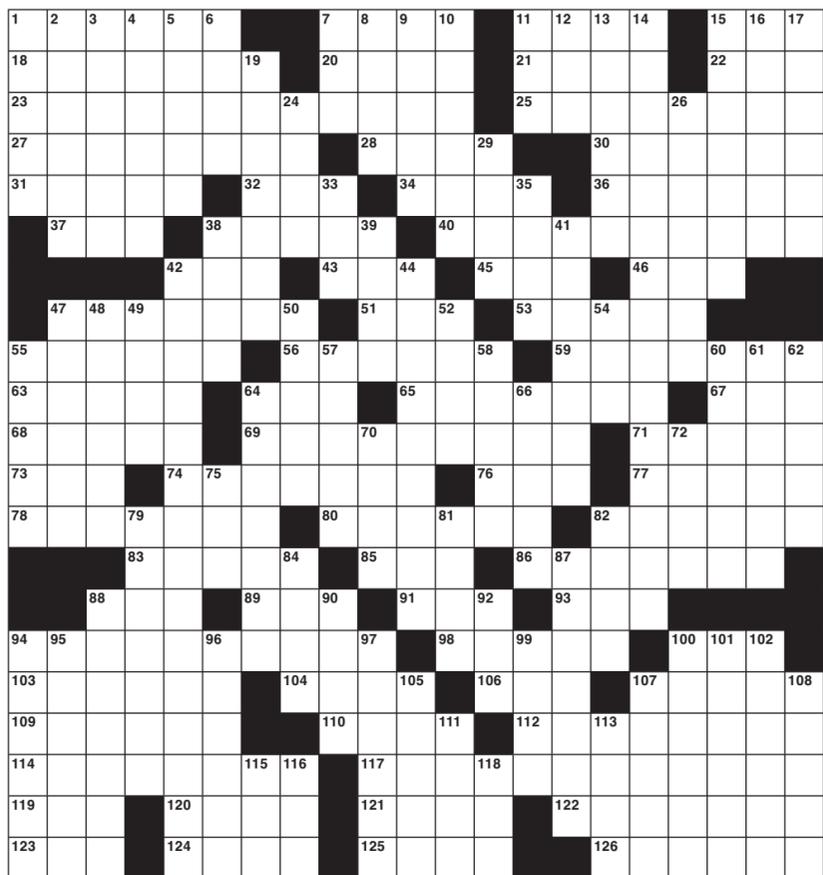
"Why is tourist traffic down on U.S. Highway 27? "The 1981-85 Perspective published by the East Central Florida Regional Planning Council indicates that the overall population in the region will increase about 17 percent over the 1970-80 average increase. However, for Lake County, between 1981-85 they estimate a decrease of 18 percent from the 1970-80 increase.

"The two largest age groups are 25-44 and 45-64 that represent the workforce. Between 1981-85 the 25-44 age category for the work force age population can expect to expand somewhat in response to new job opportunities created by service and manufacturing industries.

No. 0624

ELEMENT OF SURPRISE By Elizabeth C. Gorski / Edited by Will Shortz

- Across
- 1 Went easy on
- 7 Went 90, say
- 11 Pop's relative?
- 15 Nurse
- 18 18th-century Russian emperor
- 20 "___ homo"
- 21 Media executive Bob
- 22 Mobile info organizer
- 23 Every chemical element has one
- 25 Stalks in a soup kitchen
- 27 "Tough-actin" medication
- 28 Ginger cookie
- 30 Eye salaciously
- 31 Bare
- 32 2012 Mark Wahlberg comedy
- 34 Load to bear
- 36 Present from birth
- 37 Antlered animal
- 38 Goggled
- 40 Worrisome Arctic and Antarctic developments
- 42 ___ anglais (English horn)
- 43 Congratulations indicator
- 45 Have loans
- 46 Sue Grafton's "___ for Outlaw"
- 47 Popular Caribbean destination, informally
- 51 "___ 1138" (1971 sci-fi film)
- 53 Search with a fine-tooth comb
- 55 Realm
- 56 Sommelier's pick
- 59 Drapery adornments
- 63 Backup procedure
- 64 Chorus line leader?
- 65 Seeing someone socially
- 67 Fan sound
- 68 Cost
- 69 Conservationist's catchphrase
- 71 Slope
- 73 Pose
- 74 Falls for married women?
- 76 Roker and Pacino
- 77 Supermarket datum
- 78 To date
- 80 Like puns among all forms of humor, it's said
- 82 In the arms of Morpheus
- 83 Place
- 85 ___ Diego
- 86 Harangues
- 88 Arm of the U.S. Cong.
- 89 Big tippler
- 91 Financial page abbr.
- 93 Some nods
- 94 Arborist's catchphrase
- 98 Gemini and Virgo
- 100 Exchange purchase: Abbr.
- 103 Dutch exports
- 104 Sight on an Alaskan cruise
- 106 Animal pouch
- 107 Transnational cash
- 109 Farm machines
- 110 N.Y.C. home of van Gogh
- 112 Cause panic in a theater, perhaps
- 114 Seltzer bottle capacity
- 117 Environmentalist's catchphrase
- 119 Hubbub
- 120 Neighbor of Sask.
- 121 Band with a juiced-up name?
- 122 Tokenish
- 123 Vacation acquisition, maybe
- 124 Edible root
- 125 ___ Hashana
- 126 Flirtatious lot
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- 4 Comment
- 5 Dampier of the N.B.A.
- 6 Webster's ref.
- 7 Theological inst.
- 8 Potential landfill pollutants, for short
- 9 Car opener?
- 10 Presidential middle name
- 11 Signature piece?
- 12 Century, say
- 13 Nervous ___
- 14 Atmospheric worries
- 15 Pasta shapes
- 16 Brainstorm
- 17 Wallops
- 19 Question to a museum visitor
- 24 California's Santa ___ Mountains
- 26 "Girl With a Hoop" and "The Umbrellas"
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- 35 Farm females
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- 39 Processed material
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- 50 Beanpole
- 52 Woman warrior
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- 70 Love personified
- 72 Antagonize
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- 81 Tolkien forest creatures
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MINNEOLA

LMHS boys hoops team continuing to mature



'Baby Hawks' on a 24-1 roll during team camps and summer league play in June

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Last year's "Baby Hawks" are growing up!

The Lake Minneola High School boys basketball team, without a senior on the roster, produced a 15-11 record in the program's inaugural season in 2011-12 and were virtually unbeatable in the month of June.

The Hawks compiled a 24-1 record at a pair of summer camps and in East Ridge's summer league to stake a claim as one of the area's top teams for the upcoming season.

Lake Minneola went 9-1 and reached the championship game during a team camp at Florida State University in Tallahassee, and went 5-0 at Bethune-Cookman University's team camp in Daytona Beach.

Lake Minneola closed out the month with a 10-0 record during summer-league play, pitting itself against five area teams — East Ridge, South Lake, Leesburg, Mount Dora and Tavares.

"The month of June has been excellent to us," Lake Minneola coach Freddie Cole said. "Our kids have really bought into the concept that hard work pays off, and they're working hard whenever they're on the floor. I couldn't be happier with what we've accomplished."

Cole, who spent last week as an instructor at an Orlando Magic youth camp at the RDV Sportsplex in Orlando, said the Hawks have improved on both ends of the floor.

He said the caliber of play at the team camps and during summer league play has forced

his players to ratchet up their games. As a result, his team — which played last season with a shoot-first-and-pass-second mentality — has developed a team-first mentality.

"It's amazing to watch and it shows how dedicated these kids are to improving and becoming complete players," Cole said. "We've got a roster full of shooters but our kids are really enjoying passing the ball around and getting shots for their teammates. We take better shots now, instead of rushed shots. We're playing a lot harder on defense and our offensive effort is more complete."

"Overall, we've simply become a much better team."

The Hawks will be more experienced in 2012-13, with at least three seniors on the roster after having no senior leadership in the program's first season.

In addition to being more experienced, Cole said every player has stepped up their game at

both ends of the floor.

Rising sophomore twins Anthony and Avery Brown have spent the summer working on distributing the ball and playing defense, as has point guard Carlyle Holder. In addition, Cole said Olan McCoy has been "lights out" from behind the 3-point line.

But the biggest mover in terms of improvement, the coach said, would have to be small forward Chris Weech.

"Chris was very inconsistent an offense last year," Cole said. "He would score 20 points in a game and then go three games without scoring. He knew he had to become more consistent and has worked on that."

"In addition, Chris has been attending (former University of Florida standout) Chandler Parsons' camp in Orlando, and from what we're hearing, he's been doing well. Chris actually got to play against Chandler, who said he was very impressed

with Chris' ability and performance."

Because of their performance during the offseason, Cole said the expectations for Lake Minneola next season have risen significantly. The players' confidence level is higher than it has ever been, and the team now feels it can win whenever it steps on the basketball court.

He said Lake Minneola will even have a chance to stake a claim to the title of Lake and Sumter county's top team before the Christmas break.

"We're looking forward to playing Montverde Academy on Nov. 30," Cole said. "Our kids have circled that date on their calendars, and they keep reminding me of that game. They know what that game represents — a chance to make a name for our program against one of the top high-school programs in the country."

"It'll be a good measuring stick to determine how much our program has progressed."

CLERMONT

3 South Lake High soccer players ink collegiate scholarships

Special to the South Lake Press

Three members of the South Lake Lady Eagles soccer team have landed scholarships to play the sport at the collegiate level.

Kaylee Wooding and Taylor Ness have received scholarships to play with the South Georgia College Lady Tigers in Douglas, Ga.

Both girls were encouraged to attend the college soccer tryouts by their high school coach, Steve Green. The scout for South Georgia had attended a few of South Lake's matches and had asked Green to encourage his team members to participate in the tryouts.

Wooding and Ness have played together for years as members of the Clermont F.C. Soccer Club, and for all four years of varsity soccer at South Lake High School.

The team's third signee was Alyssa Agnew who was picked up by Florida Christian College in Kissimmee.

Agnew will have the honor of being a part of the first Lady Suns soccer team at FCC. The FCC scout also attended a few of South Lake's matches this past year and invited team members to participate in tryouts.



COURTESY PHOTOS

ABOVE: Members of the South Lake High School varsity team Kaylee Wooding and Taylor Ness gather with coaches to congratulate Kaylee Wooding, seated at left, and Taylor Ness after they signed scholarships to play soccer at South Georgia College in Douglas, Ga. Shown with Wooding and Ness are, standing from left, Karina Langer, Julie Waitt, Alexis Anderson, Assistant Coach Alain Leistikow, Aida Rangel, Head Coach Steve Green, Hannah Rogers, Alyssa Agnew, Paige Henderson, Samantha Klein and Megan Shaver.

RIGHT: South Lake Assistant Coach Alain Leistikow watches as team member Alyssa Agnew signs to play soccer at Florida Christian College in Kissimmee. Agnew's parents, Mary and Scott Agnew, are show seated at the table with her. Behind them is Florida Christian Head Coach Doug Johnson.



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and finish from Winn-Dixie, just to name a few.

There is another way you can shop for free or get paid to shop. It is finding deals that make money for you. This is very common in drug stores and stores that offer Catalina's (checkout coupons that are usually red and white). In our area that would be CVS, Walgreens, Kmart, Winn-Dixie and Sweetbay.

Recently, Solo paper products were on sale for \$1.50 each at my grocery store. I had \$1 coupons, which meant each product cost me only 50 cents

each. When you purchased any two Solo products in a single transaction, you earned a \$3 Catalina (coupon good for \$3 off your next shopping order).

To make the most out of this deal, I did this in separate transactions. The best part was that I was able to use the \$3 Catalina (checkout coupon) for each order. I added milk to one order, and other things to other orders so that I would get the overage towards my groceries. At the end, I still had another \$3 Catalina to use!

Kmart also does this weekly with the \$10 off any \$10 purchase coupons that you can get when you purchase specially marked items.

In my household paper products are a hot commodity because they do not last very long with three kids and three teenage boys that are always hanging out at our house. So, I took advantage of the Solo cups, plates, etc.

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CLERMONT

City clerk wins award

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Tracy Ackroyd, Clermont's city clerk, has a new plaque to add to her wall of achievements as 2012 recipient of the President's Award by the Florida Association of City Clerks.

The organization was founded 40 years ago.

"It's a real honor to receive the award. I was excited and surprised when I received it," Ackroyd said, referring to the moment her name was called at a June luncheon at St. Augustine's World Golf Village following the completion of the association's summer academy.

The plaque presented to Ackroyd is engraved with the words, "In recognition of the hard work and dedication toward the goals of the Florida Association of City Clerks."

FACC's Immediate Past President Barbara Estep, the city clerk in Miami Shores, said the president for the association each year, is responsible for picking someone — whether its one of the association's 500-plus members, a staff member, etc. — who was instrumental throughout the year within the organization and who has worked hard for their own city.

Either way, Estep said the award is a quite an



PROVIDED PHOTO

Clermont City Clerk Tracy Ackroyd was recently awarded the President's Award by the Florida Association of City Clerks.

honor because the person receiving it represents exactly what's engraved on the plaque.

"Tracy is extremely helpful and just goes above and beyond anything," Estep said.

Ackroyd has worked as Clermont's clerk for nine years. Prior to her arrival in Clermont, she was the clerk in Dundee for six years.

Ackroyd has been a member of the FACC since the start of her career, is now a board member and has been elected by her peers as director of its Central East District.

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Nomination Form

This September the Daily Commercial and South Lake Press will recognize 40 young individuals in Lake and Sumter County under the age of 40. These individuals will be chosen from Lake and Sumter Counties thru nominations and voted on by a panel of distinguished community leaders. The Lake Sumter 40 Under 40 list will represent the best and brightest in business, government, nonprofits, education, politics, media, healthcare the arts and more.

Candidates must be under the age of 40 as of September 1, 2012. We welcome your nominations now thru Tuesday, July 31, 2012.

The nominations form can be filled out and submitted two ways. They can be e-mailed to: 40under40@dailycommercial.com or snail mailed to 40 Under 40, Daily Commercial, 212 E. Main Street, Leesburg, FL 34748. We cannot accept nominations via telephone.

Please tell us fill out the nomination form and include: the nominee's qualifications are and why the individual deserves to be one of the 40 under 40. We also need the person's age, workplace and place of residence as well as contact information - telephone number and email. You may also send backup information including resumes, Board Position(s), Committees or letters of recommendation.

You may nominate more than one person!

The winners will be published in a special section on Friday, September 21, 2012 in the South Lake Press edition and The Daily Commercial, Sunday, September 23, 2012. The honorees will be notified in advance of the publication and mini interviews will be included in the section along with elements from the nomination form.

About the Candidate

Name _____

Age _____ City _____

Contact Information

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Job Title _____

Place of Employment _____

Briefly explain why you feel this person makes a good candidate:

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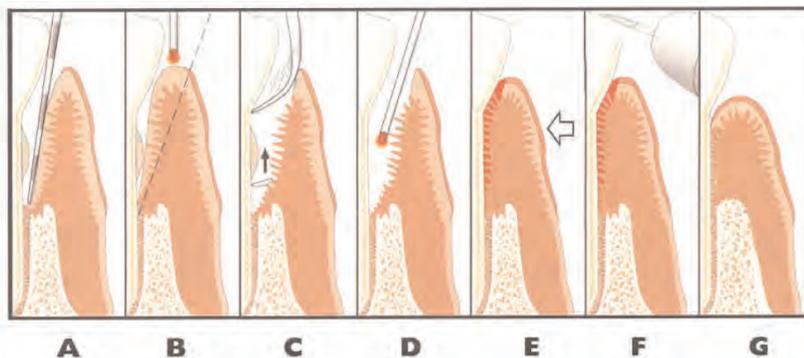
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Treatment Procedure

- A) Perio probe indicates excessive pocket depth.
- B) Laser light removes bacteria and diseased tissue.
- C) Ultrasonic scaler and special hand instruments and are used to remove root tartar.
- D) Laser finishes cleaning and cleaning pocket which aids in sealing the pocket closed so new germs cannot enter.
- E) Healing of gums to clean root surface occurs.
- F) Bite trauma is adjusted.
- G) Healing occurs.



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NOTICE OF SUSPENSION

Case No.: 201202074
TO: David P. Barrow

A Notice of Suspension to suspend and an Administrative Complaint to revoke your license and eligibility for licensure has been filed against you. You have the right to request a hearing pursuant to Sections 120.569 and 120.57, Florida Statutes, by mailing a request for same to the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, Division of Licensing, Post Office Box 3168, Tallahassee, Florida 32315-3168. If a request for hearing is not received by 21 days from the date of the last publication, the right to hearing in this matter will be waived and the Department will dispose of this cause in accordance with law.

Ad No.: 00345911
June 22, 29, July 6, & 13, 2012

NOTICE Under Fictitious Name Statute Law Pursuant to Section 865.09, Florida Statutes

To Whom It May Concern:

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, pursuant to the "Fictitious Name Statute" Florida Statute 865.09, 2009, will register with the Division of Corporations, Department of State, State of Florida, upon receipt of proof of publication for this notice the Fictitious Name, to wit:

PREUETT CONSULTING COMPANY, LLC dba TERRITORY SOLUTIONS INTERNATIONAL

Intends to register the said Fictitious Name located at the below address:

**3676 Doune Way
Clermont Lake County
Florida 34711**

That the interested owner in said business enterprise is as follows:

Wayne P. Preuett

Dated in Lake County, Florida, this 27th day of June, 2012.

/s/Wayne P. Preuett

Ad No. 00347570
Date: July 6, 2012

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HUBBARD THERAPEUTIC MASSAGE

Intends to register the said Fictitious Name located at the below address:

**552-B SOUTH HWY 27
MINNEOLA, LAKE COUNTY,
FLORIDA 34755**

That the interested owner in said business enterprise is as follows:

DAWN HUBBARD, LMT

Dated in Lake County, Florida, this 2 day of July, 2012.

/s/Dawn Hubbard

Ad No.00348009
July 6, 2012

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IN THE COUNTY COURT IN AND FOR LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA COUNTY CIVIL DIVISION
Case No:12CC1346
SUMMER BAY PARTNER-SHIP, a Florida general partnership
Plaintiff,
MELYNE ROBIN CARSON 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 **June 18, 2012** 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 **JULY 19, 2012** 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 MELYNE ROBIN CARSON Timeshare Period Week (E)14 in Condominium Unit No. 108101

Count 2 DENZEL DAKARAI COFER Timeshare Period Week (E)47 in Condominium Unit No. 402405

Count 3 ROY COLE III and AMANDA COLE Timeshare Period Week (E)27 in Condominium Unit No. 108108

Count 6 ELAINE DAVIS Timeshare Period Week (O)23 in Condominium Unit No. 108102

Count 7 JOSE ANTONIO DELGADO MORADO, ANA ANGELES GARCIA LOPEZ and CARLA MARGARITA GARCIA-LOPEZ Timeshare Period Week (E)35 in Condominium Unit No. 108303

Count 8 RAFAEL DELGADO and DORCAS CALAS Timeshare Period Week (E)49 in Condominium Unit No. 402203

Count 9 GUSTAVO M. ESCOBAR Timeshare Period Week (W)41 in Condominium Unit No. 404102

Count 10 PATRICK DERMOTT FITZSIMMONS and PAULA FITZSIMMONS Timeshare Period Week (W)34 in Condominium Unit No. 402304

Count 11 FRANCISCO JAVIER FRANCO and MARIA TERESA MONTIEL Timeshare Period Week (E)21 in Condominium Unit No. 108103

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Count 13 TREMAYNE N. FUNCHERS Timeshare Period Week (O)46 in Condominium Unit No. 404103

Count 14 ANN MAUREEN GEORGE and JUDITH LEONORA MATTHEW Timeshare Period Week (E)12 in Condominium Unit No. 108205

Count 15 NEIL KELLY Clerk of the Court By: /s/J.L.WINTERS Deputy Clerk Paul M. Caldwell Caldwell & Payne, P.A. Post Office Box 120069 Clermont, FL 34712 Telephone: 352-242-2670 Attorney for the Plaintiff Ad No. 00346474 June 29 & July 6, 2012

IN THE COUNTY COURT IN AND FOR LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA COUNTY CIVIL DIVISION

Case No:12CC1348
SUMMER BAY PARTNER-SHIP, a Florida general partnership
Plaintiff,
FERNANDO F. GIL and SANDRA M. GIL 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 **June 18, 2012** 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 **JULY 19, 2012** 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

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Lake County, Florida, as amended.

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Count 2 PEGGY BROWN HARRIS Timeshare Period Week (E)10 in Condominium Unit No. 108302

Count 3 OLLIE B. HENDERSON Timeshare Period Week (O)45 in Condominium Unit No. 402201

Count 4 ANGEL HERRERA and NORMA JARAMILLO-HERRERA Timeshare Period Week (E)47 in Condominium Unit No. 108105

Count 5 DENNIS KRISTIAN NYGREN JENSEN and IRENE JOSEPHINE BROGAARD JENSEN Timeshare Period Week (E)11 in Condominium Unit No. 108304

Count 6 ANTONIO JIMENEZ GARCIA Timeshare Period Week (E)26 in Condominium Unit No. 108205

Count 7 APRIL COLETTE KEMP and EDDIE RAY INLOW Timeshare Period Week (E)45 in Condominium Unit No. 108109

Count 8 HUMBERTO MARGOS GUERRERO Timeshare Period Week (E)37 in Condominium Unit No. 108202

Count 9 ROSA GLADIS MALDONADO Timeshare Period Week (E)40 in Condominium Unit No. 108204

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Count 15 ERICK J. MERCADO TORRES and EVELYN RIVERA MORALES Timeshare Period Week (O)47 in Condominium Unit No. 504206

June 18, 2012
NEIL KELLY
Clerk of the Court
By: /s/J.L.WINTERS
Deputy Clerk
Paul M. Caldwell
Caldwell & Payne, P.A.
Post Office Box 120069
Clermont, FL 34712
Telephone: 352-242-2670
Attorney for the Plaintiff
Ad No. 00346502
June 29 & July 6, 2012

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION

File No. 2012-CP-786
Division Probate
IN RE: ESTATE OF BETTINA BUNT
Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of BETTINA BUNT, deceased, whose date of death was May 18, 2012 is pending in the Circuit Court for Lake County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is Post Office Box 7800, Tavares, FL 32778. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION

File No. 2012-CP-724
Division Probate
IN RE: ESTATE OF ARTHUR F. EGANHOUSE
Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of ARTHUR F. EGANHOUSE deceased, whose date of death was February 10th, 2012, and whose social security number is xxx-xx-4017, is pending in the Circuit Court for Lake County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 550 West Main Street, Tavares, Florida. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

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NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.

The date of first publication of this notice is **June 29, 2012.**

Attorney for Person Representative:
/s/Dennis L. Horton
Dennis L. Horton, P.A.
Attorney for REX WILLIAM BUNT
Florida Bar No: 187991
DENNIS L. HORTON, P.A.
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Personal Representative:
/s/Rex William Bunt
120 Webster Street
Westbury, New York 11590
Ad No.:00346989
June, 29 & July 6, 2012

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION

File No. 2012-CP-798
Division Probate
IN RE: ESTATE OF MELVIN PAUL LIGHTNER
A/K/A MELVIN P. LIGHTNER
Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of MELVIN PAUL LIGHTNER a/k/a MELVIN P. LIGHTNER, deceased, whose date of death was May 12, 2012 is pending in the Circuit Court for Lake County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is Post Office Box 7800, Tavares, FL 32778. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

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604 Furniture

RECLINER Mauve, good cond. & 1 lg. wicker chair. w/cushion. \$25 obo 330-0874

RECLINER, overstuffed, Waterbed Mattress,, 1st \$50 takes all SOLD!

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605 Appliances

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REFRIGERATOR (2 door) Dorm size. Separate freezer section. \$100. 223-6929

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REFRIGERATOR w/freezer on top. Works great \$100 SOLD

REFRIGERATOR with freezer 1.6 cu.ft. Like new works good. \$50. 352-314-1808

STOVE GE, gas Bisque color. Like new. \$175. Please call 352-430-1581

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606 Electronics

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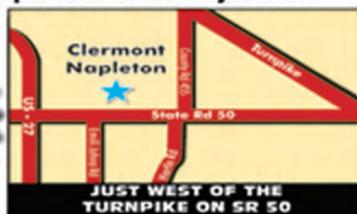


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and leading to the two car garage is an inside laundry room that includes a washer and dryer. All appliances stay. Additional highlights: Driveway pavers, water softener, sliding screen door on garage, upgraded light fixtures and upgraded ceiling fans. Royal Highlands is located within easy access to the FL Turnpike. Royal Highlands offers many amenities and a low monthly association fee of \$125, which includes cable TV and RV/boat storage. To learn more about Royal Highlands and this beautiful home listed at \$209,000 visit my website: www.Royal-Highlands.net. MLS# G4684219. Call Doug DuVarney of ERA Tom Grizzard, Inc. at (352)255-3236.



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NAI negotiates lease renewal at center

ORLANDO — NAI Realvest recently negotiated a lease renewal agreement and a new lease totaling 9,385 square feet of industrial space at the Oviedo Commerce Center, 2460 West S.R. 426 in Oviedo.

George Viele, associate at the firm, brokered both transactions representing the Landlord, Oviedo Commerce Center, LLC based in Winter Park.

The new tenant, Oviedo-based Bill Ault Systems, Inc. leased suites 1002, 1008 and 1036 with 6,526 square feet, and Going Green Services renewed its lease of suite 1004 with 2,859 square feet.

For information contact George Viele at 407-875-9989 or email to gviele@realvest.com.



VIELE

Stirling appoints mortgage banker to home specialist

LAKE MARY — Stirling Sotheby's International Realty recently appointed Nonie Slaalien an International Luxury Home Specialist at its Heathrow Marketing Center in Lake Mary.

Roger Soderstrom, founder and owner of Stirling Sotheby's International Realty, said Slaalien is a former banker who founded her own mortgage company which she expanded into a six-state operation with 225 employees before selling it. She then became a consultant for several financial institutions.

"Nonie Slaalien has a passion for real estate and no desire to rest on her laurels," Soderstrom said. The Alauqua Lakes resident also maintains a home in New York and plans to focus on globally marketing and sales of luxury properties in Seminole and Orange counties."

Visit www.StirlingSIR.com for information.



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Integrity Home Loan expands Lake Mary offices

LAKE MARY — Integrity Home Loan of Central Florida is expanding its offices on International Parkway in Lake Mary.

Matt Malloy, president of Integrity Home Loan of Central Florida, said the firm recently added 3,000 square feet of space to the Lake Mary headquarters facility bringing the total office space occupied at the 901 International Parkway building to 13,000 square feet.

"This will enable us to hire more professionals to handle our workload," Malloy said.

For information contact Matt Malloy at 407-688-8268 or email to matt.malloy@inthomeloan.com.

NAI negotiates new office lease at Wekiva Center

MAITLAND — NAI Realvest recently completed a new lease agreement for 1,600 square feet of office space at Wekiva Center located at 1706 E. Semoran Boulevard near the intersection of U.S. 441 in Apopka.

Tom R. Kelley II, CCIM, principal at NAI Realvest, negotiated the transaction representing the landlord, Maitland-based Wekiva Center Partnership.

The tenant, Blanco Professional Services,

Inc., a bookkeeping services and tax accountants firm, was represented by Zaida Cabrera of Orlando Realty Investments.

Visit www.nairealvest.com for information.

Cuhaci & Peterson selected to design four Aldi

ORLANDO — Cuhaci & Peterson Architects based in Orlando's Baldwin Park have been awarded a contract to design four Aldi Supermarkets stores located in North and South Carolina and Orlando.

Lonnie Peterson, chairman at Cuhaci & Peterson, said each of the supermarket facilities will total 18,000 square feet of retail space.

The Aldi Supermarket facilities are located in Salisbury and Indian Trails, N.C., in Columbia, S.C. and at U.S. Highway 192 and Vineland Road in Southwest Orlando near Disney World.

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

Integrity Home Loan has reverse mortgage solutions

ORLANDO — Integrity Home Loan of Central Florida has a unique solution for active adults who need to sell their family home in order to retire to Florida — a reverse mortgage that will give them the cash now to invest in a retirement home.

Cynthia J. Meyers, CSA, CLTC, senior mortgage specialist at Integrity Home Loan of Central Florida working out of Integrity's Pine Street office in downtown Orlando, said that for some active adults a reverse mortgage makes the perfect solution.

"Many active adults have put off retirement until they can sell their home up north and use the proceeds to buy a retirement home in Florida," Meyers said.

"A reverse mortgage can make a great deal of sense," Meyers explained. "They can use the cash to buy a retirement home now instead of waiting until the real estate market fully recovers," she said.

Homes that are currently listed for sale won't qualify. But the solution to that dilemma is simple, Meyers said.

"To qualify for a reverse mortgage the home must be removed from the MLS listing of homes for sale," Meyers explained. "After the reverse mortgage is approved, the home can be placed on the market for sale again," she said.

"Once you move into a retirement home, it becomes a primary residence and it qualifies for a reverse mortgage," Meyers said. "And the owner can use the reverse mortgage money to start enjoying their retirement now," she added.

Reverse mortgages may not work for everyone, Meyers cautioned.

Generally speaking, reverse mortgages have suffered the same fate as the housing market.

"The amount of equity available to a senior home owner has been affected by the general decline in housing values. In some cases that loss of equity is too much for the program to work," Meyers said.

"However, working with their financial advisors, we can develop attractive alternatives. Many homeowners are choosing to eliminate their monthly mortgage expenses and take advantage of reverse mortgages," she said.

Meyers said the reverse mortgage option is one solution to the retirement dilemma that should be considered with trusted financial advisors.

"For couples who are in the right position, a reverse mortgage can pave the way to their dream of Florida retirement, or retirement anywhere else," Meyers said.

Contact Cynthia J. Meyers, CSA, CLTC Senior Mortgage Specialist 407-428-2727 ext. 107 or email to cyndi.meyers@inthomeloan.com for information.

Emerson reports sales of 28 new homes in May

Altamonte Springs — Emerson International reports it sold 28 new homes in May at the Eagle Creek golf course community located on Narcoossee Road in southeast Orlando.

Eric Emerson, vice president and general manager of Emerson International, said the average sale price of a new home at Eagle Creek in May was \$345,000.

Since January 1, 85 new homes have been sold at Eagle Creek for a total of \$30 million. Centerline Homes is the exclusive builder at Eagle Creek.

Emerson International is a wholly owned subsidiary of The Emerson Group, the global corporation that is one of the largest privately-owned property development companies.

For information contact Eric J. Emerson at 407-834-9560 or email to ejemerson@emerson-us.com, or Larry Vershel or Beth Payan, Larry Vershel Communications, at 407-644-4142.

Orlando interest rate drops to new record low

ORLANDO — The year-to-year median sales price of Orlando area homes jumped more than nine percent in May, marking the fourth consecutive monthly increase and a leap of 11.11 percent since January, reports the Orlando Regional REALTOR® Association.

The overall median price of Orlando homes increased 9.09 percent over May 2011's median price of \$110,000, to \$120,000. In addition, the May 2012 overall median price is 2.56 percent higher than that recorded in April 2012 (\$117,000).

The May 2012 median prices of homes of all sales types increased in comparison to May 2011: bank-owned sales by 4.31 percent (to \$83,450 from \$80,000); short sales by 5.88 percent (to \$108,000 from \$102,000); and normal sales by 3.23 percent (to \$160,000 from \$155,000).

The average interest rate paid by Orlando homebuyers in May was 3.89 percent, the lowest average interest rate since ORRA began tracking the statistic in 1989. A year ago, homebuyers paid an average interest rate of 4.66 percent.

Members of ORRA participated in 2,337 home sales in May 2012, a decrease of 5.88 percent compared to May 2011 and a decrease of 4.06 percent compared to April 2012. More than 47 percent of May 2012 sales were normal; short sales made up 27.47 percent and foreclosure sales made up 25.16 percent. By comparison, in May 2011 normal sales accounted for 37.29 percent while short sales accounted for 27.10 percent and foreclosures accounted for 35.60 percent.

"The small decrease in sales is directly attributed to the enormous decrease in inventory," notes ORRA chairman, Stephen Baker, RE/MAX Central Realty. "There are simply not enough quality homes on the market to meet the demand from buyers. Every day I hear reports from REALTORS about multiple offers within days of a home coming on the market, offers above asking price, and even bidding wars."

"For further evidence of buyer demand for homes, keep an eye on the months-of-supply statistic," points out Baker. "We are now at a record low of 3.53 months, which is below the previous record of 3.58 months during the red-hot market of December 2005."

Homes of all types spent an average of 85 days on the market before coming under contract in May 2012, and the average home sold for 95.57 percent of its listing price. In May 2011 those numbers were 104 days and 95.05 percent, respectively.

Pending sales, those under contract and awaiting closing, are currently at 10,291. The number of pending sales in May 2012 is a mere 0.79 percent higher than it was in May 2011 (10,210) and 2.11 percent higher than it was in April 2012 (10,078).

Short sales, which take much longer to process from contract to close, made up 67.00 percent of pending sales in May 2012. "Normal" properties accounted for 20.00 percent of pendings, while bank-owned proper-

ties accounted for 13.00 percent.

The number of existing homes available for purchase in Orlando is continuing a steady decline that began in back in July 2010 at 16,563 and now rests at 8,243. In May 2012, inventory was 24.85 percent less than it was in May 2011.

The inventory of single-family homes is down by 28.22 percent when compared to May of 2011, while condo inventory has hatched a surprising increase of 1.18 percent.

The month-of-supply statistic has set a new record low. The current inventory combined with the current pace of sales equates to a 3.53-month supply of homes in Orlando, which is a rate not seen since December of 2005 when it was a 3.58-month supply.

The steady increases in median price has led to steady decreases in Orlando's affordability index, the May index of 250.73 percent is two percentage points lower than April 2012's index of 252.51 percent. (An affordability index of 99 percent means that buyers earning the state-reported median income are 1 percent short of the income necessary to purchase a median-priced home. Conversely, an affordability index that is over 100 means that median-income earners make more than is necessary to qualify for a median-priced home.)

Buyers who earn the reported median income of \$54,416 can qualify to purchase one of 4,722 homes in Orange and Seminole counties currently listed in the local multiple listing service for \$300,879 or less.

First-time homebuyer affordability in May dipped to 178.30 percent from last month's 179.57 percent. First-time buyers who earn the reported median income of \$37,003 can qualify to purchase one of the 3,377 homes in Orange and Seminole counties currently listed in the local multiple listing service for \$181,865 or less.

The sales of condos in the Orlando area decreased by 17.37 percent in May when compared to May of 2011 (371 to 448).

The most (122) condos in a single price category that changed hands in May were yet again in the \$1-\$50,000 price range and accounted for 32.88 percent of all condo sales.

Orlando homebuyers purchased 206 duplexes, townhomes, and villas in May 2012, which is a 8.44 percent decrease compared to May 2011. Most (29 each) fell within the \$1-\$50,000 price range and the \$100,000-\$120,000 price range.

Sales of existing homes within the entire Orlando MSA (Lake, Orange, Osceola, and Seminole counties) in May were down by 1.78 percent when compared to May of 2011. Throughout the MSA, 3,028 homes were sold in May 2012 compared with 3,083 in May 2011. To date, sales are down 7.40 percent for all counties combined.

Each individual county's monthly sales comparisons are as follows:

Lake: 24.73 percent above May 2011 (469 homes sold in May 2012 compared to 376 in May 2011).

Orange: 8.20 percent below May 2011 (1,511 homes sold in May 2012 compared to 1,646 in May 2011).

Osceola: 13.42 percent below May 2011 (484 homes sold in May 2012 compared to 559 in May 2011).

Seminole: 12.35 percent above May 2011 (564 sold in May 2012 compared to 502 in May 2011).

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Drought can cause serious structural damage

DWIGHT BARNETT
Scripps Howard News Service

Watching the news, I notice that some areas of the country are receiving unprecedented amounts of rain. But where I live there is an ongoing drought and it has been suggested that I water the foundation to prevent damage. Is this true and, if so, can you explain why?

Should you water your foundation? Yes, if water is available and the drought has not limited the municipal water supply. A drought dewateres the soil, allowing the soil to shrink to a point where severe settlement of the home can lead to serious structural damage.

Improper grading of the yard, installation of a sump pump or directing gutter drains away from the foundation of an older existing home also can dewater foundations.

Drastic changes to the amount of water in the soil will alter the soil's characteristics.

In areas with heavy rains and flooding, the soil becomes unstable and unable to bear the weight of the structure.

Sinkholes form under homes or foundations settle unevenly, causing structural damage.

In areas suffering from droughts, smectite clay soils, which are found in all the continental states, will shrink, leaving voids under the supporting foundation. The voids can lead to foundation settlement, which could then cause major structural damage to the foundation and structure.

According to the American Society of Civil Engineers, about half of the houses built in the United States each year are located on unstable soils and about half of these will suffer some soil-related damage.

There's not much you can do during a drought where water use is restricted unless you can reduce personal use. However, if this is an annual occurrence, you

might consider a well to maintain the soil with a foundation watering system.

If your home has been damaged by flooding or drought, a series of steel piers or helical piers can be installed to support the foundation independent of the soil. Both solutions are expensive, and you should contact a structural engineer before deciding on any type of foundation repairs.

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Keep compass points in mind when planting

JOE LAMP'L

Scripps Howard News Service

Foundation plantings help frame a home and anchor it to its site. They make a natural transition from the building to the land. But houses have at least four walls, each facing a different direction.

As a gardener, knowing the characteristics of the various locations in your landscape is vital. The biggest consideration is usually the amount of light that reaches the plants. Too much or too little moisture, hot summer and cold, drying winter winds also create problems, as do different conditions in the same area, like a south corner's eastern exposure getting stronger sun than the western side.

Foundation planting beds are narrow and the plants in them must look their best at all times, so choose those with a long season of interest.

Keep size in mind. It takes a lot of effort to keep a 10-foot-tall shrub pruned back so it doesn't block the windows. On the other hand, plants that are too small will get lost, especially in front of a tall house.

To draw attention to the front door, set the tallest plants at the outer corners of the house. These should be about two-thirds the height to the roof. Then frame the main entry door with shorter plants. An imaginary line should form a rough "V" from the door plantings to the outer corners, with no plants in between taller than the line.

Here are a few suggestions for the best plants for a given area, no matter which way it faces:

■ **NORTH SHADE.** No matter how tall, the house casts a triangular shadow in the north-facing lot, deepest in the center. Morning light creeps from the east, strong afternoon sun from the west. Plants that thrive on one side may not be happy on the other. Rain may not reach the north side, or the area may stay mushy and wet for a long time. Cold winter winds will be strong here.

Choose plants for the center that tolerate moist or dry soil, depending on the overall condition. Place a tough evergreen on the northwest corner to block winter winds and a tree or shrubs to cast dappled light from the east.

Arborvitae (*Thuja occidentalis*). 12 feet by 6 feet; soft foliage and narrow form allows some late sun, blocks winter wind. Zones 2-7.

Rhododendron (*Rhododendron* spp.). Pink flowers in spring; evergreen shrub; 3 feet by 3 feet; may rebloom in fall. Zones 4-8.

Hosta (*Hosta* spp.). Low-growing perennial with lavender flowers in late summer; 6 inches to 24 inches, depending on variety. Zones 3-9.

■ **SOUTH SCORCH.** Without trees in the yard, the blazing sun, reflecting from the southern walls, can be brutal. In the winter, it can fool plants into thinking it's spring, resulting in damage or death. Rain evaporates fast, supplemental water needed in summer. Choose heat- and drought-tolerant plants and mulch the beds to conserve moisture. Choose varieties that bloom later in the season to avoid buds drying up.

Burning bush (*Euonymus ala-*

tus). Large shrub filters morning sun, shades nearby plants; 8 feet by 8 feet. Zones 4-9.

Lilac (*Syringa pubescens patula* "Miss Kim"). Lavender-pink blooms in late spring; dwarf shrub easily pruned into formal shapes; 4 feet by 4 feet. Zones 5-8.

Juniper (*Juniperus procumbens* "Nana"). Evergreen shrub; low, spreading ground cover, very heat-tolerant; 10 inches by 24 inches. Zones 3-9.

■ **GENTLE EAST.** Cool light, consistent moisture and light winds, but full-sun plants won't be happy after the morning sun moves out of the area. Use part-shade plants that tolerate moist conditions. A small tree on the south corner will provide consistent shade.

Japanese maple (*Acer palmatum* "Bloodgood"). Small tree holds red color in low light; one of the hardiest cultivars; 12 feet by 10 feet. Zones 5-8.

Hydrangea (*Hydrangea macrophylla* "Monred"). Flowering shrub blooms red in summer, flower color holds in summer heat; 4 feet by 3 feet. Zones 5-9.

Hakonechloa (*Hakonechloa macra* "Aureola"). Perennial grass; golden foliage likes cool, moist soil; 18 inches by 24 inches. Zones 5-9.

■ **BLASTING WEST.** Only tough, full-sun plants should be used in this deceptive exposure, even though in shade all morning. Hot sun and west winds suck the moisture out of everything. A tree or shrub on the south end will block some hot sun; dense, hardy shrub on the north corner will block strong winter winds.

Viburnum (*Viburnum sargen-*



GLEN SEIBERT / SHNS

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tii "Onindaga"). Tough shrub blooms white in summer; ornamental red fruit; 10 feet by 10 feet. Zones 4-7.

Fountain grass (*Pennisetum alopecuroides* "Hameln"). Airy perennial grass is tough and

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Hobbies: Dress up your table with a paper runner

DENA FISHBEIN

Scripps Howard News Service

I love making get-togethers feel extra-special — from a small dinner gathering with friends to a child's birthday party. And I love a quick and simple project that I can whip up before guests arrive to make the atmosphere really festive.

A paper table runner can do just that — it will brighten up and customize your table. Use the colors and patterns you love in interesting combinations to complement your dinnerware and the look of your party. Instead of sewing a runner from fabric or buying one at the store, here's a great way to use old scrapbook paper or gift wrap.

GATHER:

■ Scrapbook paper, wrapping paper or perhaps a foreign-language newspaper

■ Scissors

■ Clear tape

■ Double stick tape

■ Sizzix die-cutting machine with decorative strip dies (optional)

■ Decorative-edged scissors (optional)

CREATE:

1 Lay out the paper you'll be using end-to-end on your table to get a rough sense of how much you'll need.

Save some extra strips of paper to use for decorative side edges.

2 Cut the paper to be the length and width you like.

If you're using multiple sheets of coordinating scrapbook paper, cut strips in varying widths and line them up in interesting ways — almost like a paper quilt.

3 Flip the paper pieces over and use clear tape to tape them together, end-to-end.

Once they're all taped together, flip the table runner to the right side.



DENA FISHBEIN / SHNS

A paper table runner can be festive — it will brighten up and customize your table.

You're almost done.

4 Gather 2-inch strips of paper in a coordinating color to the table runner you just created.

I love using my Sizzix die-cutting machine to make the decorative strips for the edges, but if you don't have one, you can use scissors that cut decorative border edges.

Cut out the decorative edges, leaving about a half-inch on one side so you can attach them to the runner.

5 Once you've cut enough to run down all sides of your runner, start adhering them to the edges using double-stick tape.

Put some tape along the top solid edge of your border and slide it underneath the edges of your runner to create beautiful borders.

This project is really versatile — you can even paint your own designs on sheets of newsprint — or lay out crayons and colored pencils at the table so guests can participate in the decoration!

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DEAR HELAINE AND JOE:

At age 85 and 10 months, I seek your expertise in identifying the value of these four spoons that I inherited from my mother-in-law. I received them many years ago, and she claimed they were very old then. They appear to be sterling silver with a gold wash over the entire surface. They are marked "Christofle," and have another hallmark with a scale. An Ohio historical society identifies "Christofle" as an early

Ohio silversmith probably from France. Your assistance is greatly appreciated.

— V.R., MANCHESTER, N.H.

DEAR V.R.:

With all due respect to the Ohio-based historical society, which we chose not to identify with its specific location, we beg to differ.

Yes, we know there is a rather vague reference to a silversmith working in Ohio who was named "Christofle." He was briefly mentioned in "Early Ohio Silversmiths and Pewterers, 1787-1847" by Rhea

Mansfield Knittle, but we are sure these spoons were not made by this person. Instead, they were made by a company founded in Paris by Charles Christofle in 1839 and operates to this day.

Why do we believe this? There are a variety of reasons, but chief among them is the fact that the marks shown by V. R. are associated with this Parisian Christofle company. In addition, the pattern, shape and manufacturing details we can see on these spoons

are not congruent with those of an early-19th-century Ohio maker.

The Christofle family established a jewelry-making business in Paris in 1793. They were makers of sequins, mother-of-pearl buttons, jewelry parts, cloth with silver threads and epaulettes for French army officers. In 1830, Charles Christofle took over the management of the business and began to expand it internationally.

However, the real business coup did not occur until 1842, when Christofle purchased the rights to exploit patents held by Great Britain's Elkington and Co. and by Count Henri de Ruolz. This led the company into the silver- and gold-plating business using

electrolysis, and it established Christofle as a leader in the worldwide manufacture of tablewares.

It is our opinion that the four spoons in today's question are not sterling silver (i.e., items made from metal that is 925 parts per thousand pure silver and is often expressed as either .925 or 925/1000). Instead, they are base metal covered with a comparatively thin layer of pure silver. It is true that Christofle did and does make solid gold and silver items (some were .800 silver, others .950 and reportedly still others were sterling silver as discussed earlier), but the most commonly found items from this company are silver-plated.

Pieces of French .800 or

.950 silver made since 1838 should have the head of Minerva stamped on them, but these spoons do not. This means that they are silver-plate, and not solid silver, but they are still fine-quality wares that are desired by consumers and collectors around the world.

The pictures we have are rather poor and we have no idea how large or small these four spoons might be, and since we cannot see the entire piece, we cannot even determine the pattern. However, these pieces do appear to be from the third quarter of the 19th century (say, circa 1870) and, if they are a good size, should be valued in the \$400-\$500 range for the quartet.



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Are these spoons American sterling, or French silverplate?

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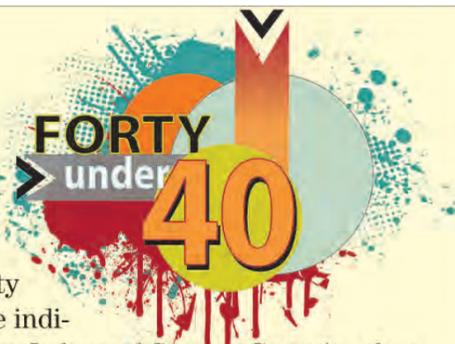
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Please tell us fill out the nomination form and include: the nominee's qualifications are and why the individual deserves to be one of the 40 under 40. We also need the person's age, workplace and place of residence as well as contact information - telephone number and email. You may also send backup information including resumes, Board Position(s), Committees or letters of recommendation.

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Organize a breezy summer party in short order

SARAH WELCH and ALICIA ROCKMORE
getbuttonedup.com

When was the last time you entertained or spent any meaningful time catching up with good friends over a leisurely dinner?

If you answered either option "more than three months ago," then it's time to take advantage of summer's more easygoing pace and organize a gathering of your own.

While that may sound daunting, the truth is that you can organize a lovely party in fairly short order without a lot of work. We've outlined a plan that will take you from dreaming about it to actually doing it in less than 30 minutes. If you're reading this in the morning, follow these steps and you could even host a small gathering this evening — yes, even if you work full time.

Five key steps to quickly organizing a summer party:

1 Create and send a gorgeous invitation via Paperless Post. There's nothing like an invitation to make even a relatively impromptu get-together feel more like a real

party. But skip the paper invites and the generic emails. Instead, create a gorgeous invitation that gets delivered via email in an envelope by PaperlessPost.com. The site offers a library of stunning designs, many of them free. Customizing a template and sending it to your friends should take less than 10 minutes. We both love being on the receiving end of these beautiful e-cards. So go ahead and give guests a reason to feel special.

2 Ask guests to bring a side dish or dessert. Parties are usually more fun when the entire group gets to contribute a culinary delight or two. So be sure to specify in the invitation that part of the RSVP is letting you know which side dish or dessert each guest is bringing. And don't feel guilty! Your job as host is to organize the gathering, supply the heart of the meal (i.e., grill) and provide the space.

3 Whip up a gorgeous table centerpiece using an old wine (or other) bottle. Rather than simply recycling every last wine bottle you use over

the next few weeks, keep a few aside to use as table decorations. Once they are clean, simply add a few tall greens and flowers, like Queen Anne's lace, from your backyard and tie a decorative ribbon around the glass. If you live in a city, pop down to your local deli and get a bunch or two of inexpensive tall greens and flowers. Because the mouth of the bottle is so small, a few flowers go a long way. This exercise should take about 10 minutes.

4 Prepare a mouthwatering marinade for grill items. Whether you're serving up chicken or steak, tofu or veggies, a nice marinade will make all the difference. The good news is that they are incredibly simple to make. Just combine an oil, like olive oil, with an acid, like lemon juice, add some spices and you're done. Even an inexperienced chef could whip up a good one in two or three minutes. If you're looking for good recipes, TheDailyMeal.com has a list of 10 great marinades here: <http://www.thedailymeal.com/10-great-meat->



HOLLIE SEHRT AND CINDY RODRIGUEZ / SHNS

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marinades.

5 Brew some iced tea. There's nothing quite like a cold, refreshing glass of iced tea (or lemonade) on a hot summer day. Skip the sugar-filled store-bought bottles and brew your own in minutes. Heat up some water and put in tea bags to soak. When the tea

cools to room temperature, add ice and serve. If you're looking for a nice twist, use an herbal tea with a bit of zing to it, like Sarah's favorite, Red Zinger from Celestial Seasonings.

When was the last time you entertained? If it's been a while, what's your excuse?

Home Style: 3 fun, fresh ideas for summer parties

MARY CAROL GARRITY
Scripps Howard News Service

Summer parties — filling your home with friends and family, eating and drinking and laughing until your sides hurt — can be addicting. Catch the fever and open your doors to the joy of entertaining. Here are three gorgeous party themes to try.

HAVE A BALL

Paper lanterns are an inexpensive decorating tool that packs lots of visual punch. I started experimenting with different ways to use lanterns for parties a few months ago, and hit on the idea of bringing them inside. I hung a wide assortment of lanterns in the dining room, attaching them to bamboo poles inserted into huge temple urns. As I experimented with how to hang the lanterns from the bamboo poles, I started using fishing line so the lanterns would look like they were suspended in mid-air. I wasn't crazy

about the effect, so I traded the fishing line for ribbons, and my heart soared.

Since my dining room is painted Twilight Blue and I have lots of blue and white dishes and accents, I picked blue and white lanterns for my display. But you could pick any color scheme for your home and it would look fabulous.

The place settings on my blue and white table feature one of my favorite entertaining workhorses: white dishes. I love plain old white dishes because you can remake them over and over again by pairing them with different linens, accent dishes and table accessories.

Beneath the dishes, make a bright and breezy table topper out of outdoor fabric — if it gets dirty, it wipes up in a snap and launders like a dream.

GO GREEN

Take a cue from the shades of green in your garden, and fill the center of a large, outdoor table with a lush centerpiece.



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If your focal point is not tall enough to command attention on the table, put it on top of a riser, like a concrete capital, plant stand, stack of bricks or cake plate.

Start with a large-scale, visually bold accent that will serve as the hub of the centerpiece. I used a white temple jar, but you could try an urn, a birdbath, a garden statue — you name it. If your focal point is not tall enough to command attention, put it on top of a riser, like a concrete capital, plant stand, a stack of bricks or cake plate.

Next, amass a collection

of similar, but not matching, items to cluster around your centerpiece hub. I frequently look to fresh flowers when I want to create showy centerpieces, but recently I turned to ferns instead, using a mixture of live ferns and topiaries tucked into an array of green pots.

You can also surround the central object with pieces from one of your

collections, like an assortment of wooden boxes. If you're having a birthday party, you could print snapshots of your guest of honor and insert them into wire picture holders placed around some central focal point (maybe a tower of beautiful cupcakes?).

With an elaborate centerpiece, go with simple place settings. I started with a perky green and

white placemat, topped with majolica leaf plates, ideal for salad. A gold-rimmed bread plate layers in more color, and the place setting is finished off with playful ramekins to hold fresh fruit or mini-souffles.

BRING THE OUTSIDE IN

A garden gazebo can transform your dining room to make it feel like a garden at dusk. Bring one inside, and suspend hurricane lanterns from the ceiling of the gazebo at all different heights, filling each with a candle so they twinkle like stars.

Put a dramatic silver candelabrum at the table's center, and cover it with flowers, keeping the arrangement high enough for guests to see under.

To add a bit of whimsy, use cutout paper butterflies perched on the rims of the wine glasses for place cards. A magical final touch for a memorable table!

Rehberg blames housing bust on federal government

MATT GOURAS
Associated Press

HELENA, Mont. — One of U.S. Rep. Denny Rehberg's talking points on the campaign trail has been to blame the housing crash on the federal government for making it too easy to get credit.

But the six-term Republican himself once backed legislation to help people get into loans even if they didn't have enough money for a down payment.

Rehberg has repeatedly referred to the problems with mortgage giants Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac as he challenges incumbent U.S. Sen. Jon Tester, a Democrat. Rehberg often criticizes U.S. government rules that he says forced lenders to take bad loans.

And at the first debate between with Tester, Rehberg went further and said bankers, builders and consumers were not the problem.

"They were sucked into something believing that the government told them, that they can get something for nothing, that they can buy a home for zero down and zero interest, that they can keep doing that," Rehberg said.

But during the Bush administration,

Rehberg supported congressional plans to make it easier for people to get homes with less money down.

One of those made its way into law. The American Dream Downpayment Initiative was signed by then-President George W. Bush in 2003. Bush hailed the \$200 million bill as way to help low-income families and minorities get homes they otherwise would not be able to afford.

The program gave poor first-time homebuyers funds for down payments, closing costs and other costs in purchasing the home, according to the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

The Rehberg campaign said that initiative differs from the congressman's criticism of Fannie and Freddie. The congressman says the legislation he supported is different than the mortgage giants' issues because the down payment plan had safeguards to ensure lenders could reject bad loans, properly helped families buy a home and that the program would end if it failed.

He argues that Freddie Mac and Fannie Mae, by contrast, wrongly forced lenders

to make risky loans.

Rehberg spokesman Chris Bond pointed out that Tester supported a 2008 bailout of Fannie and Freddie, even though the Democrat has touted an opposition to government bailouts.

"Denny believes helping folks achieve home ownership is a worthwhile, important goal. But unlike Sen. Tester, he doesn't believe that when lenders like Fannie and Freddie make mistakes, taxpayers should have to bail them out," Bond said.

The Tester campaign does not consider the Bush administration-era rescue of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac a bailout since they had government backing prior to the intervention. And Tester has argued government backing of mortgage loans is needed to ensure the survival of the 30-year loan that allows the housing market to continue.

The Tester campaign said Rehberg's past support of down payment assistance demonstrates the Republican is flip-flopping on the role government should play in helping with mortgages.

"Congressman Rehberg was the government problem that led to the housing crisis," said Tester spokesman Aaron

Murphy.

The Tester-Rehberg matchup is one of the hottest U.S. Senate races in the country, with both sides expecting a tight finish to the end. Both are receiving millions of dollars in outside help as the parties vie for control of the U.S. Senate.

And both sides are making hay by pointing out apparent position switches.

The Rehberg campaign has hammered Tester for being a top recipient of lobbyist and Wall Street campaign donations after running in 2006 on a platform to clean up Washington D.C., and for taking some outside spending while criticizing other sources of outside campaign money.

The Tester campaign has pointed out that Rehberg first supported the Patriot Act and Real ID before he then opposed them when it became clear the measures were unpopular in Montana.

Adding fuel to the fire, Rehberg appeared to again embrace the Patriot Act in a radio interview earlier this week when he said it was not a mistake and was necessary at the time. Rehberg, however, explained that he simply believes that some of the measure's tools for law enforcement are no longer necessary.

PROPERTY TRANSFERS



LOCATION: The Plantation at Leesburg **FEATURES:** CBS, Split plan, 3BR/2BA, formal rooms, family room open to kitchen, oversized garage. 2,368 sq. ft. **LISTING PRICE:** \$235,000 **SELLING PRICE:** \$215,000 **LISTING AGENT & OFFICE:** Audrey Mackiewicz, PAL Realty. **SELLING AGENT & OFFICE:** Adriana Skoloda, PAL Realty.



LOCATION: 756 Old Oaks Lane **FEATURES:** 2BR/2BA, 1,386 sq. ft., Enclosed Pool **LISTING PRICE:** \$134,900 **SELLING PRICE:** \$130,500 **LISTING AGENT & OFFICE:** Dalemarie Lamb-Witter, ERA Tom Grizzard Inc. **SELLING AGENT & OFFICE:** Dalemarie Lamb-Witter, ERA Tom Grizzard Inc.



LOCATION: 3804 Woodleaf Ct **FEATURES:** 2BR/2.5BA, 2,668 sq. ft., Enclosed Lanai **LISTING PRICE:** \$249,500 **SELLING PRICE:** \$222,000 **LISTING AGENT & OFFICE:** Sandy Knox Forinash, ERA Tom Grizzard Inc. **SELLING AGENT & OFFICE:** Jel Parker, ERA Tom Grizzard Inc.



LOCATION: 3314 Manatee Drive, Tavares **FEATURES:** 3BR/2BA **LISTING PRICE:** \$84,428 **SELLING PRICE:** \$82,000 **LISTING AGENT & OFFICE:** Joan DeFoe, Morris Realty & Investments. **SELLING AGENT & OFFICE:** Joan DeFoe, Morris Realty & Investments.



LOCATION: Silver Charm Ct., Leesburg **FEATURES:** Vacant land **LISTING PRICE:** \$79,900 **SELLING PRICE:** \$65,000 **LISTING AGENT & OFFICE:** Debbie Woods & Roland Stults, Morris Realty & Investments. **SELLING AGENT & OFFICE:** Michelle Hayhurst, Dottie Gray Realty.



LOCATION: 33440 Shady Acres Road **FEATURES:** 5BR/3BA, 2,800 sq. ft., 2 Enclosed Lanai's **LISTING PRICE:** \$189,900 **SELLING PRICE:** \$158,000 **LISTING AGENT & OFFICE:** Craig Yox, ERA Tom Grizzard Inc. **SELLING AGENT & OFFICE:** Trish Bitsios, ERA Tom Grizzard Inc.



LOCATION: 13205 Casper Lane, Clermont **FEATURES:** Short Sale! Gorgeous remodeled 3BR/2.5BA pool home. **LISTING PRICE:** \$169,900 **SELLING PRICE:** \$180,000 **LISTING AGENT & OFFICE:** Tammy King, ERA Tom Grizzard Inc. **SELLING AGENT & OFFICE:** Pamela Eddy, CB/Tony Hubbard Realty Inc.



LOCATION: 1417 County Drive, Tavares **FEATURES:** Immaculate 2BR/2BA double wide - great winter retreat. **LISTING PRICE:** \$44,900 **SELLING PRICE:** \$37,000 **LISTING AGENT & OFFICE:** Tammy King, RA Tom Grizzard Inc. **SELLING AGENT & OFFICE:** Marlene Cook, ERA Tom Grizzard Inc.



LOCATION: 22102 O'Brien Road, Howey-in-the-Hills **FEATURES:** Fantastic horse property on ten acres with 9-stall barn. **LISTING PRICE:** \$149,000 **SELLING PRICE:** \$140,000 **LISTING AGENT & OFFICE:** Tammy King & Lisa Jones, ERA Tom Grizzard Inc. **SELLING AGENT & OFFICE:** Tammy King & Lisa Jones, ERA Tom Grizzard Inc.



LOCATION: 2506 Valley Forge Court, Eustis **FEATURES:** Short Sale - Great 3BR/2BA block pool home with detached shed **LISTING PRICE:** \$113,500 **SELLING PRICE:** \$110,000 **LISTING AGENT & OFFICE:** Lisa Jones, ERA Tom Grizzard Inc. **SELLING AGENT & OFFICE:** Joy Zahn, Front Porch Realities.



LOCATION: 39825 Greenbrier Street, Eustis **FEATURES:** Royal Trails 3BR/2BA immaculate condition with access to Lake Norris **LISTING PRICE:** \$149,900 **SELLING PRICE:** \$135,000 **LISTING AGENT & OFFICE:** Shelley Sherman & Lindsey McQuaig, ERA Tom Grizzard Inc. **SELLING AGENT & OFFICE:** Donald Brown, Coldwell Banker Tyre & Taylor.



LOCATION: 6026 Sailboat Avenue, Tavares **FEATURES:** Royal Harbor - Upgraded 2BR+den/2BA with no rear neighbors **LISTING PRICE:** \$125,000 **SELLING PRICE:** \$123,500 **LISTING AGENT & OFFICE:** Roxanne Logan, ERA Tom Grizzard Inc. **SELLING AGENT & OFFICE:** Roxanne Logan, ERA Tom Grizzard Inc.



LOCATION: 3897 Beacon Ridge Way Legends, Clermont **FEATURES:** 3BR/2BA, 1,930 sq. ft. **LISTING PRICE:** \$199,964 **SELLING PRICE:** \$190,722 **LISTING AGENT & OFFICE:** John Muller, Watson Realty Corp. **SELLING AGENT & OFFICE:** Nancy Pruitt, Avaral Real Estate Services.



LOCATION: 324 Skye Ct., Leesburg **FEATURES:** 2BR/2BA **LISTING PRICE:** \$87,000 **SELLING PRICE:** \$87,000 **LISTING AGENT & OFFICE:** Valerie Foerst, Morris Realty & Investments. **SELLING AGENT & OFFICE:** Valerie Foerst, Morris Realty & Investments.



LOCATION: 7811 SE 168th Loneoak Loop, The Villages **FEATURES:** 3BR/2BA **LISTING PRICE:** \$304,777 **SELLING PRICE:** \$297,777 **LISTING AGENT & OFFICE:** Lena Williams & Camie Kennedy, Morris Realty & Investments. **SELLING AGENT & OFFICE:** Lena Williams & Camie Kennedy, Morris Realty & Investments.



LOCATION: 5437 E Harbor Drive, Fruitland Park **FEATURES:** 3BR/3BA **LISTING PRICE:** \$162,900 **SELLING PRICE:** \$158,000 **LISTING AGENT & OFFICE:** Theresa Morris, Morris Realty & Investments. **SELLING AGENT & OFFICE:** Theresa Morris, Morris Realty & Investments.



LOCATION: 2221 Sandridge Circle, Eustis **FEATURES:** 3BR/2BA **LISTING PRICE:** \$114,000 **SELLING PRICE:** \$114,100 **LISTING AGENT & OFFICE:** Valerie Foerst, Morris Realty & Investments. **SELLING AGENT & OFFICE:** Tony Chapman, RE/MAX Realty Center.



LOCATION: 1112 W Main Street, C7, Leesburg **FEATURES:** 2BR/2BA **LISTING PRICE:** \$35,000 **SELLING PRICE:** \$30,000 **LISTING AGENT & OFFICE:** Debbie Woods & Roland Stults, Morris Realty & Investments. **SELLING AGENT & OFFICE:** David Cook, Sennett Realty Group.



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