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Groveland votes to pay for courtesy busing

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The Groveland City Council unanimously voted last week to fund courtesy busing to the end of the school year for students residing north of State Road 50 who attend Groveland Elementary School.

The busing for 30 students was scheduled to be discontinued on Jan. 6 unless parents wanted to start paying for it, according to the Lake County School District.

"The council felt that the amount of money was worth allocating for the safety of our kids," Groveland Mayor Tim Loucks said. "That is a minimal amount of money."

Loucks said the \$1,398

for courtesy busing would be taken out of council discretionary funds.

County and city officials have expressed concerns about students' safety crossing State Road 50.

Because of continued shortfalls in revenue, courtesy busing for students within two miles of their home school was eliminated district wide a few months ago, according to school officials. That funding for Groveland was reinstated until Jan. 6.

By law, the state of Florida provides transportation funding only for traditional education students that live two or more miles from the school.

The Lake County School Board unanimously voted at an emergency meeting

on Dec. 20 to extend courtesy busing to the end of the school year for those students in Groveland.

Bill Mathias, board member, announced at the meeting that he had positive discussions with the acting city manager of Groveland, Willie Morgan, about funding busing for students.

In any event, Mathias said he was prepared to fund the busing out of his own pocket.

"I think (the Groveland City Council) showed real leadership and set an example of how the county, municipalities and the school board can work together for the benefit and safety of our children," he said in a phone interview Wednesday morning.



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CLERMONT

Bloodsworth hired by city as PR person

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Doris Bloodsworth has been hired as Clermont's new public information officer, beginning Jan. 6, City Manager Darren Gray said.

Bloodsworth, a former journalist who is nationally accredited in public relations, will be coordinating communication for the city.

Bloodsworth, a life-long resident of south Lake County, is employed as the Clermont Chamber of Commerce's director of marketing and communications, a post she's held for the past 15 months.

Bloodsworth owned her own public relations firm, has worked in marketing and has been a reporter for Bloomberg News and the *Orlando Sentinel*.

"I'm very excited about the new position. I enjoyed my time with the chamber and now, I'm looking forward to serving the citizens of Clermont," Bloodsworth said.

She said that after attending the city's visioning sessions during the summer months, she feels in touch with the direction the city is heading.

Bloodsworth said she is impressed the work of city staff and officials deemed important to the city's future. "It's a really exciting time to be with the city of Clermont. There are so many opportunities," she said.

The position is new to the city. Bloodsworth, author of a history of Clermont, will work for the city manager's office. She will be in charge of issuing media releases and preparing content for print and electronic publications.

"Effective communication plays a vital role in helping our citizens stay informed about the city's initiatives that impact their lives," Gray said. "We are confident that Doris' experience will be invaluable in providing that information."



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GROVELAND

City negotiating with chosen city manager

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The only thing standing in the way of Redmond Jones being named as Groveland's new city manager is a contract negotiation.

Last week, council members reviewed the changes Jones requested after he was tentatively offered the job last week and countered with a few of their own.

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Mayor Tim Loucks

try to balance looking out for our citizens. They are the taxpayers, and while we want to be fair to them, we also want to make sure we negotiate a good contract that brings someone good into the city as well," said Mayor Tim Loucks.

Jones wants \$10,000 for moving expenses, but the council is offering \$7,500. Jones also wanted a monthly vehicle allowance instead of a city vehicle, but because the city already has a car allotted to the city manager, he was asked to accept the vehicle.

Jones also asked for 12 weeks of severance as opposed to the six weeks the city had first offered. Council members decided to meet Jones halfway, offering 8 weeks.

Finally, Jones wants to work a four-day, 10-hour-per day

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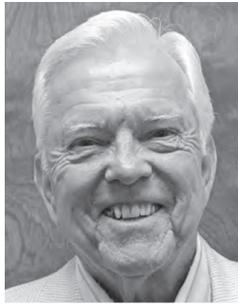
Peace, for everyone. We're supposed to be the peacemakers, not the new Romans.

ROGER WOHLGEMUTH
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A replacement of the President and Congress. These last three years we have put our country so far in debt that my grandchildren don't have a chance. Math is something I understand. Saving \$300 billion over 10 years does nothing to an \$18 trillion debt.

TOM YEARICH
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A return to our Christian values. It seems like we're getting further and further from God. We're getting more and more secular. I think He will take His blessings off of us if we don't return to Him — like He's done to all other countries throughout history.

DAN JONES
GENEVA



Get rid of Obama. He says he fixes everything, but he's fixed nothing. The health care web site — it still ain't fixed.

LARRY MILLER
CLERMONT

Area Briefs

TAVARES

Experienced players needed for local baseball club

The Central Florida Elite Baseball Club, based in Lake County, is looking for experienced players to fill out rosters for the spring 2014 season in 13U and 14U age groups with the goal of offering a fun, yet competitive baseball experience to all participating athletes.

Tryouts will be held in January in Tavares.

For information, call 407-701-0160 or 407-463-7995, or go to www.cflelitebaseball.com.

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Volunteers needed for Tax-Aide assistance

The AARP foundation, under the auspices of the Internal Revenue Service, provides the free service, Tax-Aide, assisting low- and middle-income taxpayers in preparing and filing their tax returns.

Volunteer training, developed by AARP, will be offered to assist those in need at the Cooper Memorial Library in Clermont beginning in January.

AARP membership is not a requirement to be a volunteer.

For information, call Tony Apicella at 352-243-8249, send an email to MT3435@aol.com, or go to the AARP website at www.aarp.org/taxaide.

CLERMONT

Astronomy program to be offered at the Cooper Library

Astronomer Kevin Manning will present "Roadmap to the Stars: the Night Sky Explained" from 5:30 to 7 p.m., Jan. 16, in Room 108, at the Cooper Memorial Library, Oakley Seaver Drive, Clermont.

The free program will include information all about light pollution and its effects on viewing the night sky, and is fun and educational for all ages.

For information, call Dennis Smolarek at 352-536-2275, or send an email to dsmolarek@lakeline.lib.fl.us.

BUSHNELL

Dade Battlefield to host reenactment this weekend

Relive the beginning of the Second Seminole War at the 178th anniversary of Dade's Battle on Saturday and Sunday at Dade Battlefield, 7500 County Road 603 in Bushnell.

The reenactment of the engagement marking the Second Seminole War, the longest and costliest Indian war in U.S. History, will host period soldier attire, Seminole and civilian camps, Sutler Trade Fair, historic arts and crafts, demonstrations and more.

Grounds open at 9 a.m. on both days and the battle reenactment is at 2 p.m. Cost to enter the park is \$5 per person and children age 6 and younger enter free. Special rates apply to Boy and Girl Scout troops, and to military and first responders in uniform.

For information, call the park at 352-793-4782, or go to www.dadebattlefield.com.

MINNEOLA

Race for Recovery 5K fundraiser run is Jan. 11

The Giancarlo Zamora Race for Recovery 5K will be held at the Minneola Trailhead Park on Jan. 11.

Registration begins at 7:30 a.m., with the race beginning at 9 a.m. The cost is \$20 (cash or checks only) with all proceeds going to help pay for Giancarlo Zamora's medical expenses.

For information, call Minneola Elementary School at 352-394-2600, or Sherry Watts at 352-551-4072.

TAVARES

Lady Rave 12U travel softball team seeks players

The Lady Rave 12U travel softball team seeks girls ages 12 and under to participate in the travel softball team with all positions considered. Season begins in January and runs through June.

For information and to register, call Jennifer Rice at 352-255-7269, or send an email to jennifer.rice1973@gmail.com.

South Lake educators among those in running for Teacher of the Year honor

Staff Report

Forty-seven of the best teachers in Lake County, including a number in south Lake County, have been named Teacher of the Year for their individual schools, all hoping to become Lake's overall top instructor.

Over the next month they will work on a comprehensive packet designed by the Florida Department of Education. This packet will be scored by six judges and the three teachers, and those teachers with the highest scores will be named finalists.

According to school district spokesman Chris Patton, a team of judges from out of county will make site observations and conduct interviews to select the 2015 Lake Coun-

ty Teacher of the Year. The winner will be announced on Feb. 22 at the Teacher of the Year Celebration at Lake Receptions, located at 4425 N. Highway 19A in Mount Dora.

The nominees are: Matt Burris, Astatula Elementary; Karen Zachar, Beverly Shores Elementary; Linda Wright, Carver Middle; Jennifer Lykins, Clermont Elementary; Nethia McConnell, Clermont Middle; Stacey M. Taylor, Cypress Ridge Elementary; Betty Howard, East Ridge High; Cheryl Manganiello, East Ridge Middle; Kristy Beach, Eustis Elementary; Damian Bardon, Eustis Heights Elementary; Jessica Dawn Mariani, Eustis High; Roberta Schneck, Eustis Middle; Ellen Miller, Fruitland

Park Elementary; James Neiford, Grassy Lake Elementary; Chelsey Gismonde, Gray Middle School; Amy Tarquine, Groveland Elementary; John Wall, Humanities of Fine Arts Charter; Gina M. Hay, Lake Hills; Stephanie Dunlap, Lake Minneola High; Beth L. Thornton, Lake Technical Center; Carolyn Mendez, Lake County Virtual; Jessica Hunter, Leesburg Elementary; Keith Hyndshaw, Leesburg High; Sue Reid, Lost Lake Elementary; Wendi Newman, Mascotte Charter Elementary; Natalie Dyer, Minneola Charter Elementary; Billye Kozlowski, Mount Dora High; Tifany Scott, Mount Dora Middle; Andrea Smith, Oak Park Middle; Kristin O'Hara, Pine Ridge Ele-

mentary; Theresa Daugherty, Rimes Early Learning Center; Rachael Adams, Round Lake Charter Elementary; Imali Kent, Sawgrass Bay Elementary; Edwin Anderson, Seminole Springs Elementary; Jennifer Hurley, Sorrento Elementary; John Hebert, South Lake High; Kelly Ferrie, Spring Creek Charter; Terri Reynolds, Tavares Elementary; Debbie Ziebart, Tavares High; Thomas Valenta, Tavares Middle; JulieAnn Feezor, Treadway Elementary; Whitney Fraizer, Triangle Elementary; Wendy Clark, Umattilla Elementary; Jaime Adkins, Umattilla High; Kerry McLaughlin, Umattilla Middle; Tatyana Baty, Villages Elementary; and Laurie Lindsay-Zahn, Windy Hill Middle.

Lake County's jobless rate continues to fall

Staff Report

Lake County's jobless rate, which dropped to the low est point of the year in October, dropped a little more in November.

The 6.3 percent jobless rate beat the statewide average of 6.4 percent, according to the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity.

Lake's jobless rate has been lower than the national rate of 7 percent for the last three months.

Lake's unemployment rate started above 8 percent in January and

steadily dropped over the following three months before rising in May. The jobless rate in January was 8.3 percent, followed by 7.6 percent in February, 7.1 percent in March, 6.9 percent in April, 7.2 percent in May, 7.6 percent in June, 7.6 percent in July, 7.3 percent in August, 6.9 percent in September, 6.4 percent in October and 6.3 percent in November.

Last year at this time, the unemployment rate here was about two percentage points higher at 8.2 percent.

Sumter's rate was 5.5

percent in November, the same as it was the month before.

In Lake, from a labor force of 130,855 people, 122,588 had jobs in November and 8,297 did not. In Sumter, the labor force was 36,796, with 34,759 employed and 2,037 unemployed.

In November, Monroe County had the state's lowest unemployment rate (3.7 percent), followed by Walton County (4.0 percent); Okaloosa County (4.5 percent); and Alachua and St. Johns counties (4.9 percent each). Many of the

counties with the lowest unemployment rates were those with relatively high proportions of government employment, the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity reported.

Hendry County had the highest rate (11.3 percent), followed by Flagler County (9.2 percent), Putnam County (8.4 percent), Madison County (8.3 percent) and St. Lucie County (8.2 percent). Hendry was the only county in Florida with double-digit unemployment in both October and November.

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work week until he can get settled in town.

Instead, the council offered to advance Jones 15 days leave and changed his start date from Jan. 2 to Jan. 6.

"I was just thrilled to hear that he intends to live in the city — that's a plus," Loucks said, adding that he

prefer Jones be at city hall five days. "We really need our city hall fully staffed and with our city manager there as much as possible," Loucks said.

"I think Jones would bring with him a new feeling and new ideas for our new city. The staff and council is working hard to work together as one team with each other and the citizens of Groveland and I think Mr. Jones would fit in nicely," he said. "He's young, am-

bitious, knowledgeable and I'm really excited to have him on board. We hope to know something by the end of this week."

Jones has been offered the position of city manager with a salary of \$87,500, an offer he's tentatively agreed to pending final negotiations.

Jones was an assistant to the city manager in Davenport, Iowa for eight years and in Temple Terrace for two years.

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Pam Clements assembles some of the last pieces of her Christmas village on Tuesday at her Weirsdale home. She has 4,000 pieces and wants to expand her village from her living room into a bedroom.

WEIRSDALE

Christmas village of 4,000 pieces brings joy to collector

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Twenty-four years ago Pam Clements bought a 12-piece Christmas Village from Heilig Meyers, a former furniture store in Leesburg. Today, her village resembles a bustling metropolis of 4,000 pieces that takes up the entire living room of her 3-bedroom Weirsdale home.

"It has everything from a Walmart, a Dollar General, a bowling alley, theaters, and a fire department. Instead of a village, it's more like a city now," said the 53-year-old grandmother of two young boys. "It has a mountain scene with houses, ski slopes, and it's really neat to see."

She plans to make her collection a permanent fixture that stays up year round.

"It will probably take up two rooms within the next couple of years," Clements said. "We're planning on knocking

a wall down between a spare bedroom and the living room ... I would just like to see it get bigger and bigger. I want to make it as big as I can get it."

She envisions her Christmas village growing to around 7,000 pieces.

Clements has already invested \$10,000 in her collection and has no plans to stop. She delights in buying new items after Christmas, when stores mark down holiday decorations.

"I have had a blast with it," she said, noting each piece is special, including the Santa sleeping in a hammock that she received last year as a Christmas gift from one of her daughters. "I always enjoy trying to figure out where to put the pieces; they're all my favorites."

Clements was joined by her husband, Robbie, as they two began putting up the collection in October, and it has

been a work-in-progress all the way up to Christmas Eve for the finishing touches. The last items to install were the roadways, townspeople figurines and turning on the lights.

"One of our friends came by and he had never seen it before, and his jaw just hit the floor," Clements said. "He said he never imagined that it would be so big."

The family has a 1 1/2 foot walkway in a U-shape around the village, and the grandmother said she can't wait for her two grandsons, ages 3 and 9, to see the massive village today.

"My girls don't like it at all," Clements said with a chuckle, noting her daughters, ages 28 and 24, have made it very clear that they do not want to inherit the village.

That's OK with Clements, who intends to enjoy her collection year round and for many Christmases to come.

MINNEOLA

Study to evaluate traffic patterns, walking paths

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Lake County's Public Works Department is studying walking paths and traffic patterns near Lake Minneola High School to gauge exactly where sidewalks will be built and a traffic signal may be installed.

The county has now received state funding for the North Hancock Road extension project. Construction is expected to begin in September 2014 with a completion date of 2016. The project involves constructing sidewalks on the west side of North Hancock Road, all the way past Lake Minneola High School. A biking trail will also be extended on the east side of the road.

The Lake County School Board has requested that the county pay for courtesy busing for those students in the Skyridge subdivision who attend Lake Minneola High School until the sidewalks are built.

County officials say the decision on courtesy busing rests with the school board and not the county.

On Jan. 14, county commissioners will discuss the school board's request to pay for past and current costs of courtesy busing at Lake Minneola.

Fred Schneider, director of engineering for Lake County's Public Works Department, said it is important to assess how many students are expected to walk in the area if they are not bused.

"It is looking at current projected walkers, the traffic and the directions they are going," he said.

So far, the study's preliminary results have highlighted the need to install a traffic signal at North Hancock and Fosgate Road, Schneider said.

"The preliminary results is that we can find a warrant for it because of the current and projected traffic in the area," he said.

"That is the main drive into the high school."

Traffic is expected to increase with the building of the turnpike interchange within the city of Minneola, Schneider noted.

T.J. Fish, executive director of the Lake-Sumter Metropolitan Planning Organization, agreed the signal is warranted.

"The long-range plans call for Fosgate Road to be connected to U.S. Highway 27 to the west," he said.

"That would create east-west volumes of traffic in addition to the north-south volumes of traffic on Hancock with the new interchange opening."

School board officials have expressed concern about the lack of sidewalks on Turkey Farm Road and have requested they be constructed for students' safety.

"Because of the lack of sidewalks on Turkey Farm, there is concern about students walking along the shoulder and the volumes of traffic and speed," Schneider said.

As a result, he said, the Hancock Road extension project includes converting Turkey Farm Road to a neighborhood road where speed limits would be 25mph.

High Court will review Sumter County murder case

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A man with a low IQ, convicted for the rape and murder of a Sumter County woman, will be the focus of a U.S. Supreme Court review early next year on how to determine the mental disability threshold in deciding when to execute inmates.

Freddie Lee Hall, 68, was sentenced to death in 1979 after he was convicted of killing Karol Lea Hurst of Wildwood in 1978. The woman was seven months pregnant when she was abducted leaving the Pantry Pride grocery store in Leesburg, raped and shot to death in a deserted Sumter County field.

After the Florida Supreme Court threw out Hall's original death penalty in 1989, a judge re-sentenced him to death, while declaring the defendant was mentally disabled. However, that decision took place before a 2002 U.S. Supreme Court ruling that banned the execution of mentally dis-

abled inmates but left it to the states to determine mental disability.

Florida, one of nine death penalty states with a strict IQ limit, prohibits anyone with an IQ of 70 or higher from being classified as mentally disabled.

Hall's scores on IQ tests ranged from 71 to 80 and he lost another appeal on the death sentence after the same judge ruled his IQ scores were too high.

The case will be argued in March, according to U.S. Supreme Court documents.



HALL

After the 21-year-old Hurst was raped, Hall and his accomplice, Mack Ruffin Jr., forced her to write them a \$20,000 check and then shot

her in the head. The two men then went to Hernando County to commit a robbery, but their plans were interrupted after they fatally shot a deputy there who had approached the pair after they were acting suspiciously.

The two men were eventually captured and tried. Ruffin is serving life in prison.

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OURVIEW

Groveland council deserves praise for bus funding

Sometimes the consequences of mixing politics and governing aren't pretty.

Sometimes politicians have to put a spin on difficult financial decisions to make them appear more palatable to a skeptical and cynical public.

Difficult decisions sometimes lead to sour feelings. This was the case with the Lake County School Board's decision earlier this year to eliminate courtesy busing for students who live within two miles of their public schools.

The savings for the school district was relatively minor, but board members insisted it was a significant enough savings in austere times.

What inevitably followed was something of a small-scale firestorm from parents who had to adjust their schedules to get their children safely to school. School district officials later said they would in fact provide courtesy busing to students within that 2-mile range — for a fee.

While a small, somewhat political concession, that still wasn't well received by many parents who argued that it hardly resolved the problem in the first place and placed a financial burden on many of them.

Along comes the Groveland City Council, which committed to paying for busing those students living north of State Road 50 and who attend Groveland Elementary School to the end of this school year.

Groveland has certainly not been a stranger to controversy. Complaints over the last year of draconian governing and micromanaging by city officials have haunted council members and led to a state investigation over allegations of conflicts of interests and violations of open-government laws.

In the past few months, we have taken a hard line in our editorials against some of the allegations and inaction by council members.

This decision by the council, however, deserves our attention, for different reasons.

We applaud the council for considering the safety of students by allocating the money.

While the amount — \$1,398 — is relatively insignificant, the principle behind it is commendable.

City officials said they would withdraw the money from the city's discretionary fund.

School board members voted to extend courtesy busing to those Groveland students following the council's action.

We agree — and we're hoping that this is the decision that turns the page on Groveland's not-so-pleasant picture of local governance during 2013. It sure looks that way to us.

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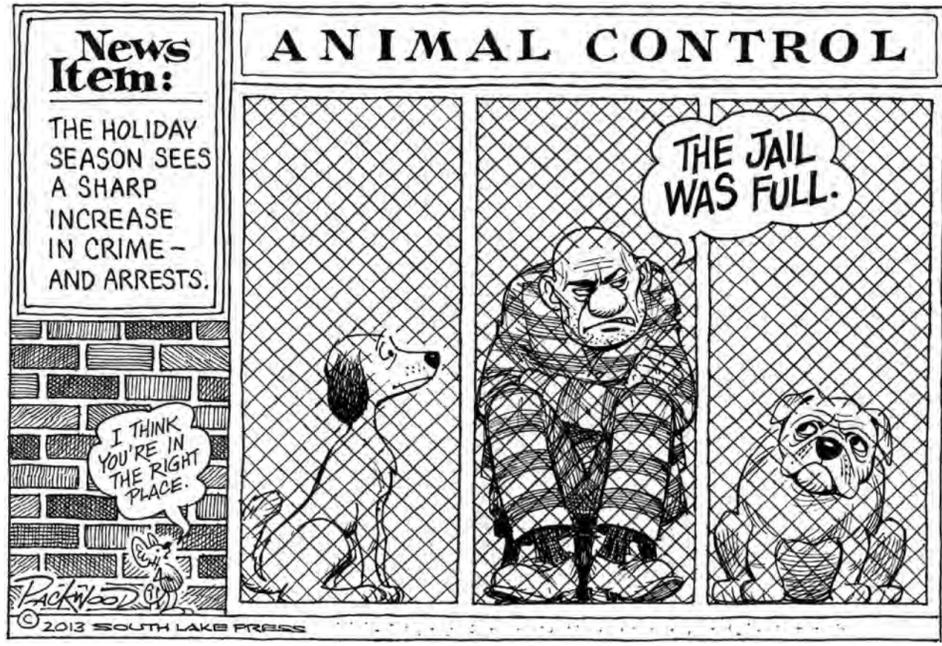
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YOUROPINIONS

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Vote Democrat, the reasons are clear

Thomas Abrehamson's letter from Dec. 8 asks why he should vote Democrat.

First reason: Most of what he writes is incorrect, and I wonder where he gets his information.

I am a life-long Democrat. I have never gotten anything from the government for "free," nor have I experienced a loss of any freedom. I am a member of a large family born of a hard-working, independent Irish immigrant mother.

All of my six siblings were taught to work hard from an early age, give a good day's work for a good day's salary, pay taxes willingly and be grateful for all of the advantages of being an American.

Democrats believe in the middle class and every American's right to a decent public education and an equal opportunity to progress. We are law-abiding, compassionate people, which is why we extend a helping hand to those who have suffered severely, such as those in the Philippines due to the typhoon.

He believes smaller government would be best. Does he really believe that living under a plutocracy, as we are experiencing now, or an oligarchy with only a few very rich people ruling our country, would be better? It would be smaller, yes. The government needs to consolidate many agencies and can definitely find ways to cut spending, but the government also needs more income to do the necessary infrastructure work — bridges, roads, tunnels, schools, etc., and protect our country.

Is it fair that corporations, oil companies and the wealthiest have multiple loopholes to avoid paying their fair share? Democrats think not. Democrats care about their fellow Americans and do not grovel at the feet of the greedy. We are proud Americans who recognize the many problems in government and are willing to cooperate and look for solutions rather than play political tit for tat.

MARY O'HANLON | Clermont

Mall theater was clean, employees were helpful

In response to recent negative reports as to the "uncleanliness" of the Lake Square Mall's AMC movie theaters — sometimes when someone fails, let them fix the problem before spreading blown-out-of-proportion stories.

My husband and I enjoy going to the movies and having a good selection of new movies to choose from at a theater

close by. On Dec. 3, we went to the movies and as usual the theater was clean and the employees friendly and helpful.

Please go and enjoy a good movie and don't let negative comments ruin what could be a pleasant time at the movies. Because, if we don't support our local businesses, and give them a second chance they close down and they usually don't come back.

Let's support our community.

CAROL DEVLIN | Leesburg

Consumers can help boost job growth

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The Christmas season is the time of year when the consumer has the greatest impact because that's when they spend the most money. That is true whether you greet people with "Merry Christmas" or "Happy Holidays."

Use your power wisely. Buy products made in the USA to create American jobs. You need not buy only American products. The Million Jobs Project says if we only spend an additional 5 percent on American-made products we will create one million jobs.

Second, look for a union label on the products you buy. They may be difficult to find because the unions have been reduced to a fraction of what they were in the past, but give it a try. Union workers earn living wages and have the benefits to lead a better life, which they deserve. We should do what we can to enable American workers to lead good lives.

Finally, when you buy imported products, try to find out if they were manufactured under the review of organizations that demand an end to sweatshops and develop "codes of conduct" for manufacturers, such as the Workers Rights Consortium (WCR) or Interfaith Center for Corporate Responsibility (ICCR).

The Fair Trade movement certifies ethically produced items like handicrafts, soccer balls, chocolate and wine. While these organizations don't cre-

ate American jobs they enable us to incorporate the "spirit of Christmas" in our holiday purchases.

BILL LORSON | Leesburg

Newspaper does good job on water stories

Kudos to the *Daily Commercial* for covering a series recently on Florida's natural water and the concern for the growing depletion and pollution of the natural springs, one of Florida's great natural resources and source of beauty.

The Dec. 3 article, especially, ("Water rules muddied by politics") was so informative. Though I worked for over a year with the Florida Park Service, both in High Springs and in Tallahassee, I learned much more.

Just the disclosure of a farmer permit request to discharge 5.5 million gallons from the acquirer is staggering. There are so many Floridians interested in protecting and preserving these natural resources, and yet we know the reality we are facing with the ever growing demand for water from a growing population, development, and businesses.

There is often more than one way to solve a problem, and there is one obvious way to greatly alleviate the water problem, especially for the cattle farmers who need much more water than a household. Last time I checked, rain comes from the sky. I find it interesting that cisterns are hardly heard of in Florida.

Believe it or not, compared to ancient Israel, we are living in the dark ages when it comes to collecting and storing water, at least in some aspects. One of my areas of research has been the archaeology of the Middle East (and the religions of).

One just needs to study the elaborate rainwater channeling system and water collection system that Qumran had. One would find it amazing that in that climate with as little rain as it gets per year, when it did come, and within minutes, it would be channeled to cisterns and they will fill up in sections, like water "gushing in the wilderness" (c.f. Is. ch. 35). A good book highlighting this is Prof. Jodi Magness, "The Archaeology of Qumran and the Dead Sea Scrolls," Eerdmans, 2002.

All farmers should be collecting some rainwater. This makes the most sense. And no farmer should be permitted to draw 5.5 million gallons a day from the aquifer. That should be totally unacceptable. Let them collect it from the sky.

PAUL WHEELHOUSE | Leesburg

CALLING ALL VETERANS

If you know of a veteran living in Lake, Sumter or Marion counties whose name should be added to the Lake County Veterans Memorial, call 352-314-2100, or go to www.lakeveterans.com.

IN MEMORY

DEATH NOTICES

Billy Forrest Brunson

Billy Forrest Brunson, 66, of Paisley, died Saturday, December 21, 2013. Beyers Funeral Home, Umatilla.

Charles W. Conley

Charles W. Conley, 68, of Sorrento, died Wednesday, December 25, 2013. Harden/Pauli Funeral Home, Eustis.

Wieka Dykstra

Wieka Dykstra, 67 of Palmetto, died Thursday, December 19, 2013. Page-Theus Funerals & Cremations, Leesburg.

Melanie Hatcher

Melanie Hatcher, 50, of Clermont, died Tuesday, December 17, 2013. Beyers Funeral Home and Crematory.

Ronald Earl Hutchins

Ronald Earl Hutchins, 76, of Leesburg died Wednesday, December 18, 2013. Hamlin & Hilbish Funeral Directors.

Dale Leroy Kellam

Dale Leroy Kellam, 93, of Waco, Texas, died Thursday, December 19, 2013. Page-Theus Funerals & Cremations, Leesburg.

Christina Lynne Kitchens

Christina Lynne Kitchens, 27, of Ocklawaha, died Thursday, November 21, 2013. Page-Theus Funerals & Cremations, Leesburg.

Margaret Lillian Leavitt

Margaret Lillian Leavitt, 77, of Paisley, died, December 18, 2013. Beyers Funeral Home, Umatilla.

Louis J. Matteo

Louis J. Matteo, 79, of Leesburg, died Sunday, December 22, 2013. National Cremation Society, Fruitland Park.

Renard McCain

Renard McCain King, 62, of Coleman died Tuesday, December 24, 2013. Beyers Funeral Home, Umatilla.

Roger W. Roberson

Roger W. Roberson, 74 of Wildwood, died Tuesday, December 17, 2013. Page-Theus Funerals & Cremations, Leesburg.

Efrain Rodriguez

Efrain Rodriguez, 39, of Mount Dora, died Saturday, December 21, 2013. Hamlin & Hilbish Funeral Directors, Eustis.

Daniel Shawn Roberts

Daniel Shawn Roberts, 40, of DeLand, died Sunday, December 22, 2013. Beyers Funeral Home, Umatilla.

Thomas Sanders

Thomas "Buddy" Sanders, 71, of Bushnell, died Thursday, December 26, 2013. Marvin C. Zanders Funeral Home, Inc., Apopka.

Edwin O. Sykes, Jr.

Edwin O. Sykes, Jr., 66 of Bradenton, died Wednesday, December 18, 2013. Page-Theus Funerals & Cremations, Leesburg.

James Stephen Turner

James Stephen Turner, 73, of Leesburg, died Friday, December 27, 2013. Beyers Funeral Home and Crematory, Leesburg.

Robert Earl Vance

Robert Earl Vance, 83, of Tavares, died Tuesday, December 24, 2013. National Cremation Society, Fruitland Park.

SUMMERFIELD

Severely beaten dog recovering

Theresa Campbell | Staff Writer
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Johna McCormick, 79, broke down in tears after being reunited this week with her beloved dog, Cuddles, who is now home recuperating from two surgeries after being severely beaten in a deliberate attack.

The Dec. 16 beating on Cuddles was reported to the Marion County Sheriff's Office, and McCormick believes the attack on the small 6-pound dog, a Chinese crested powderpuff, may be linked to a string of neighborhood burglaries that have taken place in her Summerfield retirement community near The Villages.

"I was so afraid that I would lose her," said McCormick, distraught that someone would deliberately harm Cuddles, leaving the dog with fractured ribs and broken legs sustained when the indoor pet was outside on a potty break.

"Sometimes it takes her 45 minutes to an hour to do her business; we never dreamed that somebody would jump the fence and hurt her," McCormick said, noting her dog rarely barks. "She has soft barks that are more like whimpers."

When Cuddles was first found unable to move, McCormick feared her dog had suffered a stroke.

Cuddles was rushed to Petsmart in Lady Lake, where the veterinary team told McCormick that the cruel attack on her dog "was no accident; it was deliberate."

Cuddles needed extensive care and was referred to the



PHOTOS BY BRETT LEBLANC / DAILY COMMERCIAL

Johna McCormick, 79, holds her dog Cuddles, 7, in Summerfield on Thursday. Cuddles suffered four breaks in three of her legs and several broken ribs during what McCormick believes was a deliberate attack.

University of Florida Small Animal Hospital in Gainesville, where she was placed in the intensive care unit.

"They had her in observation for two days because she was so traumatized, and they had to do a lot on her because she was so bad," McCormick said.

"The doctors were all so wonderful, all so good, every one of them," McCormick said, noting some of the surgeons reduced the \$10,000 medical bill on Cuddles down to \$6,000.

"It's still a lot of money," said McCormick, who was approved for a partial loan, while some friends have do-

nated \$270 to the cause. Monetary donations to cover Cuddles medical bill may also be sent to University of Florida Small Animal Hospital in Gainesville in the dog and McCormick's name.

"We have no proof of who hurt her, but whoever did it, it was terrible what they did to her, just terrible," McCormick said.

Cuddles now wears a collar to prevent her from gnawing at her recovering legs. McCormick can't wait for the day when she can cuddle Cuddles in her arms and take her beloved pet back out on walks just like old times.

"I had bought her a little

jacket and we'd go walking every morning and every night. She loved it and was so happy," McCormick said of the dog she rescued more than 12 weeks ago when Cuddles nearly got hit on Highway 42.

She found Cuddles appeared to have been thrown out and neglected. The dog didn't have any teeth and she learned from a veterinarian that Cuddles previously had a broken jaw.

McCormick vowed to give Cuddles the proper attention she deserved.

"She was like my shadow," McCormick said of her beloved lap dog following her around. "She would do everything that I told her."

McCormick continues to work fulltime and does private duty care in The Villages, and she made arrangements to bring Cuddles with her on the job while her pet is recuperating.

She hopes the perpetrator of the cruel act on Cuddles is arrested.

"There have been a lot of robberies and we're all afraid," McCormick said of her neighbors. "There are a lot of elderly people in the area. If someone is going to hurt a dog, can you imagine what they could do to one of us? It's terrible."

McCormick said she will be forever grateful for the veterinary team at UF Small Animal Hospital, and she was thrilled to be able to bring Cuddles home for the holidays.

"She was scared, but once I petted her and talked to her, she quit shaking," said McCormick. "She was real sweet."

LEESBURG

Officials consider incentives for crate company cleanup

Staff Report

Land behind Palm Plaza on U.S. 27 could be more easily developed with financial incentives for the landowner that the city of Leesburg is asking the state to support.

The city wants the Florida Department of Environmental Protection to designate the Walling Crate Company behind the plaza as a Brownfield Area "for the purposes of economic development, environmental remediation and rehabilitation."

If given that status, the owner of the four-acre tract — which has buildings dating back to 1922 — would be eligible for clean-up tax credits, sales tax credits on building materials, a loan guarantee program and clean-up liability protection from the state.

The owner, Walling Crate Company Inc. and Walling Enterprises Inc., would additionally be eligible to receive fully deductible past and future clean-up costs from the federal government.

The city would have no financial involvement.

The Walling Family made wooden and wire crates for citrus and vegetables in Weirsdale before moving the company to Leesburg

nearly 100 years ago. The company's steam whistle summoned workers in the morning and told them when to go home at night.

Freezes hurt the citrus industry, business slowed and the switch to cardboard boxes led to the closure of the crate and pallet mill in 1986. Robert Walling ran it for years but state records list the company's officers now as Stuart and Bennett Walling.

Walling Enterprises also owns Palm Plaza and all of the undeveloped land behind the shopping center not associated with the crate company, property records show.

According to the state, the primary goals of the Brownfield Redevelopment Act are to reduce public health and environmental hazards on existing commercial and industrial sites that are abandoned or underused due to these hazards; create financial and regulatory incentives to encourage voluntary clean-up and redevelopment of sites; and derive clean-up target levels.

The Wallings could not be reached for comment Thursday. Robert Sargent, spokesman for the city, is on vacation until the first of the year.

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MONTVERDE

Students stick to the task

Staff report

Students at Montverde Academy recently collected 540 jars of peanut butter and jelly — enough to create 2,070 sandwiches to feed hungry kids on Christmas vacation from their schools.

Students in the academy's middle-school National Junior Honor Society conducted their "Peanut Butter and Jelly Drive" between Dec. 3 and Dec. 11, according to sixth-grade teacher Sara Parets.

"We collected enough (peanut butter and jelly) to feed children for more than 450 weekends," she said in a press release. "We are very proud of the NJHS and the middle school student body."

The NJHS will partner with Buses n' Backpacks again in the spring to help prepare for spring break.

Buses n' Backpacks is a community outreach program sponsored by non-profit religious organization Church at South Lake Community Ministries, located in Clermont. The group's Buses n' Backpacks charity programs act in



partnership with 16 local schools.

Last school year, more than 60,000 meals were provided and officials hope to double that amount this year by serving more schools and students

"Many are homeless in our area," Parets said. "Every week, the organization gathers up supplies and volunteers and packs plain, unmarked backpacks with nutritious food for the weekend. Students are given the full backpacks discreetly on Friday and return them empty today."

"During extended breaks, like the upcoming Winter break, the organization strives to send them home with enough food to cover at least one meal a day."



CINDY DIAN / SPECIAL TO THE DAILY COMMERCIAL

Delia's Boutique owner Diane Salutare has been in retail since she was 16.

Leesburg boutique makes shopping fun

RICK REED
Special to The Commercial

Monday is "Make An Offer Day" at Delia's Boutique in downtown Leesburg.

It's just one of the many gimmicks proprietor Diane Salutare employs to attract customers to her shop, which is as eclectic as her promotions.

How does it work? "If something costs \$25 the customer may say how about \$20," explained Salutare. "I say yes or no."

She either accepts the offer, or she doesn't.

On Tuesdays, if you buy two you get half off on one. And Wednesday it's buy one and get one item of equal value.

And every day is 10 percent off for seniors.

"It's something every day," she said.

But she complained that on her last Mon-

day nobody dickered on the price.

Nobody made an offer.

Delia's Boutique offers clothing, gifts and jewelry.

It's an eclectic mix of clothes from 3 small to 3XXX. Delia's has ready to wear evening wear and country wear.

And, unlike most clothing shops in downtown Leesburg, the merchandise is new, not used or consigned.

"Most stores downtown are resale; I'm retail," Salutare said. "I'm getting my own people who don't want used clothing."

Salutare knows the business.

"I've been in retail since I was 16," she said. "Now I'm 55 and this is my ninth store. Originally I'm from New York. I was always fashion and went to the Fashion Institute of Technology in New York City. I took art illustration and design. I wanted to sketch clothes."

She worked at Saks Fifth Avenue and moved to Florida in 1990.

Her first store was in Ft. Lauderdale, then DeLand, across from Stetson University.

She moved to California for 10 year and in 2005 returned to Florida, and opened stores in Winter Springs and then Sanford.

After selling the store in Sanford she found herself in Leesburg one day.

"I stumbled along Main Street and found a store I rented for three months," Salutare said. "I found Leesburg to be very warm and received a welcome reception."

After three months, she moved into her

present location at 200 W. Main St., across the street from the old Tropic Theatre. That was three years ago.

Her long journey to Leesburg has influenced how she buys merchandise from her shop.

"I don't go to market, after having all these stores and being in business so long I just pick up the phone," Salutare said. "I'll tell them my cap is \$200 this week."

She never knows what she'll get. But she gets it at a good price.

"It could be a bathing suit in winter and a blanket in the summer," she said. "You never know what you will find."

"But if you need a costume, for sure come here."

Salutare said she has a background with movie people and a little room in the back that has costumes in it.

Another thing she offers is good customer service.

"I know when I go somewhere that I like to get help," she said. "I like to help. I pride myself on customer service."

For instance, she offers layaway.

"I'm doing what other stores don't do," she said.

Delia's Boutique is open Monday through Saturday from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. and Sunday by appointment.

"I have something for everyone," she said. "But I'm catering more to seniors."

Salutare likes being in Leesburg and is involved in her community, offering things gift certificates for charity events.

Delia's Boutique is at 200 W. Main St. For information, call 352-321-0628.

ATTENTION RESIDENTS OF THE CITY OF GROVELAND

The City of Groveland has been awarded Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding to provide Housing Rehabilitation assistance for a minimum of nine (9) single-family housing units throughout the City. The City of Groveland is currently accepting applications from residents of the City that are interested in participating in the City's CDBG program. If you are interested in obtaining an application, the City has made the application available upon request by contacting Shannon Ferrell at (352) 429-2141 x233, City of Groveland, 156 S. Lake Avenue, Groveland, FL 34736 or the office of Jordan & Associates at (904) 264-6203. **Upon completion, the application must be submitted to Shannon Ferrell, City of Groveland, 156 S. Lake Avenue, Groveland, FL 34736.** All applications are due by 5:00 pm, on January 13, 2014.

Residents interested in obtaining additional information regarding the City's CDBG Housing Rehabilitation program or requiring assistance with the Homeowner Application are encouraged to attend the Homeowner Application Workshop on January 9, 2014. The Homeowner Application Workshop will be held at the **E.L. Puryear Building, 243 South Lake Avenue, Groveland, FL 34736.** The City's Homeowner Application Workshop will include a general presentation on the CDBG Housing Rehabilitation program and the Homeowner Application, followed by individual sessions with residents requiring assistance with the Homeowner Application. The Homeowner Application Workshop will be conducted on January 9, 2014, from 2:30 pm – 5:00 pm.

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MONTVERDE

Soccer tourney will feature top national talent

Staff Report

Montverde Academy will host its third annual Montverde Academy Invitational Soccer Tournament January 16 to 18 at the MVA Athletic Complex.

The tournament will feature six teams ranked among the top 50 winter soccer programs in the nation by Studentsports.com.

Each day will feature four games. Contests on Thurs-

day and Friday will start at 2 p.m. and run every two hours. On Saturday, games will start at 12:30 p.m., 2:30 and 4:30. The M.A.S.T. championship game will be played at 7:30 p.m.

Adult admission is \$10 and students are \$7. Concessions will be available.

All games will be streamed live by Montverde.tv site (PPV), and updated tournament information and logistics can be found by

visiting the M.A.S.T. Facebook page (third annual Montverde Academy Soccer Tournament) and following on Twitter @MontverdeMAST.

Sponsorships of the M.A.S.T. are available by contacting M.A.S.T. Director Brad Long at 407-469-2561.

The high-school soccer teams participating in this year's M.A.S.T. are:

■ North Broward Prep –

Coconut Creek

■ Auburndale High School – Auburndale

■ Coppell High School – Coppell, Texas

■ Brophy Prep – Phoenix, Ariz.

■ San Clemente High School – San Clemente, Calif.

■ West Orange High School – Winter Garden

■ American Heritage Plantation – Delray Beach

■ Montverde Academy – Montverde



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Both freshman Miguel Cartagena and sophomore Patricio Garino attended Montverde Academy after traveling from Puerto Rico and Argentina respectively.

Former Montverde stars making an impression at George Washington

SEAN HURD
 GW Hatchet

After helping his high school team win ESPN's National High School Invitational last April, freshman Miguel Cartagena — GW's newest point guard talent — saw a familiar face in the stands.

It was Patricio Garino, GW's defensive stopper who had just come off a standout year for the Colonials.

Garino, a teammate of Cartagena's at Montverde Academy just a year ago, was not there only to cheer on his old team. He had come to entice Cartagena to GW in part because of a strong bond the two developed at the prep school.

"He used to take care of me, and watch out for me," Cartagena said. "Patricio is like the older brother I never had. He's

"He used to take care of me, and watch out for me. Patricio is like the older brother I never had. He's always being that brother to me. When things are not going good, he's always been there. He's always that guy to tell me, 'Hey, tomorrow is another practice, another day, just keep it up.'"

Miguel Cartagena

always being that brother to me. When things are not going good, he's always been there. He's always that guy to tell me, 'Hey, tomorrow is another practice, another day, just keep it up.'"

Much of that connection was spurred by the distances the two men had traveled. Both

came from outside the U.S.: Garino from Mar del Plata, Argentina, and Cartagena from Aibonito, Puerto Rico.

They both also dazzled on the national stage for their home countries.

Cartagena has represented Puerto Rico since he was eight years old, most notably in 2011, where he played in the FIBA Americas Under-16 Championship. He led the competition in scoring at 22.4 points, scoring a high of 36 points against Canada.

Meanwhile, Garino joined the Argentinean junior national team at the age of 14. Both players said that representing their countries have been some of the best experiences of their lives.

Cartagena decided to make the transition to the U.S. in the

SEE HOOPS | B4

Mount Dora Bible wins holiday classic title

Staff Report

Mount Dora Bible trounced opponents on back-to-back nights recently to claim the championship in the Cletus Stutzman Holiday Classic tournament.

Mount Dora took the semifinal game from South Sumter High, 77-57 on Dec. 20 as Zack Ward poured in 35 points and grabbed 10 rebounds. Lamar Smith added 21 points and 10 rebounds and Zack Brock chipped in 12 and 8 assists.

In the final the next night, Mount Dora (9-4) handled Merritt Island High School with ease, 59-49, behind 25 points from Smith. Ward added 16 points and 4 rebounds and Brock contributed 9 points and 5 assists.



Leesburg boys top Lake Minneola, 2-0

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Leesburg got two goals in the opening 16 minutes of the game and that was more than enough behind the Yellow Jackets' stout defense in a 2-0 win against Lake Minneola Dec. 19 at Lake Minneola.

The Yellow Jackets improved to 11-0-1 with the win.

Clayton McDaniel scored Leesburg's first goal, in the fourth minute, off an assist from Lane Gonzalez. Uzi

Hernandez added an insurance goal in the 16th minute.

LAKE MINNEOLA GIRLS UPSET LEESBURG

The Leesburg girls soccer team's hopes for an undefeated season ended Dec. 19 when Lake Minneola edged the Yellow Jackets 2-1.

Leesburg (14-1-1) got its lone goal from Kristen Sullivan.

Sarah McKinney stopped 12 shots for Leesburg (14-1-1).

Lake Minneola improved to 8-2-1.



BRETT LEBLANC / DAILY COMMERCIAL

Leesburg freshman Uziel Hernandez (14) and Lake Minneola senior Austin MacCraw (4) chase after a loose ball.

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MVA's Racanelli among top 500 tennis players

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Montverde Academy is known nationally for its boys basketball and soccer programs.

The Eagles now are branching out and finding themselves with standouts in the various individual sports, as well.

Montverde Academy senior Francesco Racanelli recently was named as one of the top 500 tennis players in the world, based on the latest rankings from the International Tennis Federation. Partly as a result of his rankings, Racanelli has earned a chance to play in the junior competition at the upcoming Australian Open in Melbourne, Australia.

Racanelli's coach, Cesar Villarroel, said Racanelli has received "several" offers to play tennis in college. For now, however, Villarroel said Racanelli is focused on meeting his academic requirements at Montverde Academy and is looking forward to play for the Eagles this season.

Still, Villarroel acknowledges that Racanelli could explore playing professionally after graduation. Villarroel, who runs a branch of his tennis

academy — the Cesar Villarroel Tennis Academy — at Montverde Academy, said he will support Racanelli, no matter what future plans might include.

"Francesco has some options available to him due to his abilities and world-wide rankings as a tennis player," Villarroel said. "Francesco is from Venezuela where he is ranked number 2 in his country in the junior division. He is currently ranked 430 in the world in the junior division and will be ranked in the top 350 in 2014."

Racanelli has played in countless tournaments around the world this year, said Villarroel, with "great results." He reached the semifinals in several tournaments and recorded a win in doubles.

Most recently, Racanelli reached the semifinals in singles and doubles in a ITF tournament in Panama.

"I am a firm believer in the old saying the 'Champions are not born, they are made' and winners are the ones that give their all to become the best player and person they can be," Villarroel said. "Francesco fits that saying perfectly. He's an excellent player and an excellent person."



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summer of 2011 to play basketball for head coach Kevin Boyle at Montverde — a nationally renowned program built up by former GW assistant coach Kevin Sutton. The program modeled that of a college team, with a high level of competition, scouting and television exposure.

Initially, Cartagena struggled to adjust to boarding school life in the U.S.

“It was tough, being away from home that much of the time,” Cartagena said. “I think that the biggest fact that I always point out is the type of independence that you have to have. It was something that helped me grow as a human being and as a player.”

Having gone through the same experience himself, Garino was able to help Cartagena tremendously during his transition, acclimating him to school life and the team. The pair became close, so when Garino came back to present him with the opportunity to play side by side again, Cartagena weighed the offer heavily.

Within weeks, Cartagena visited GW, met with the players and coaching staff, gave his verbal commitment, and days later signed his national letter of intent to play for head coach Mike Lonergan’s team.

Garino, who is most familiar with Cartagena’s on-the-court tendencies, rattled off a scouting report for his teammate’s on-court strengths.

“He’s not selfish at all, he has a really high IQ, and he knows how to play the game,” Garino said. “He can really shoot. He’s not that tall, but that’s not a problem for him. He might have to put on some weight at the college level, but he knows how to move his feet, he is really quick and

understands how everything goes.”

Now, with Garino coming off a strong freshman season that saw him finish fourth in the Atlantic 10 in steals and Cartagena entering as a skilled point guard, the pair hopes their chemistry can help GW.

Garino says that he has worked hard on his ball-handling and outside shooting, which will complement his already strong defensive presence that helped him set a GW freshman record with 68 steals. The 6-foot-6-inch forward says he’s also gotten stronger, and will feel more comfortable going to the rim this season after playing through a meniscus injury at the end of last season.

Garino faces adversity already, though, before even having played a single game this year: He fractured a finger during a preseason practice, which required surgery Oct. 25. Lonergan said he expects Garino to return to the lineup in early December.

Cartagena, the 6-foot-2 guard, will look to back up sophomore point guard Joe McDonald for most of the season, but right now, has a chance to make a great first impression with McDonald recovering from a hip injury. In the team’s exhibition game against Bowie State, he showed his ability to avoid defenders with his ball-handling, scoring 11 points. Cartagena is ready to be Lonergan’s second option, and at this point, just wants to learn and improve his game — like he once did before with Garino.

“I really just want to be a sponge and learn as much as I can,” Cartagena said. “I also want to improve my body as much as I can, and make a transition to become a better point guard and a better player. I want to do as many things as I got to do to make our team win.”

Sean Hurd is a contributing editor for the GW Hatchet, the student newspaper at George Washington University in Washington, D.C.



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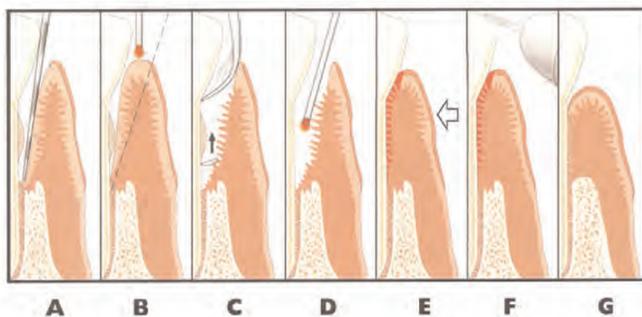
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GROVELAND

FAITH Neighborhood Center in need of bigger home

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The FAITH Neighborhood Center has been providing assistance to low-income families throughout south Lake County for more than 40 years, but now finds itself in need.

Jerry Colyer, the organization's executive director, said each year, the center helps about 32,000 people or about 9,000 families by providing food, clothes, and financial aid for utilities and medical treatment.

In addition, computer training and life skill workshops are offered, along with scholarships for academic and job-related training. Assistance in applying for food stamps is also provided.

In 1972, when it first opened, the organization was located in downtown Clermont and was known as the Clermont Neighborhood Center. Several years ago, the center moved to a warehouse on the east side of Groveland (7432 State Road 50) and became the FAITH Neighborhood Center.

A recent change in ownership, however, has Colyer wondering whether he should begin looking for a new home once again.

Colyer said the new owner is honoring the 10-year lease, and he is grateful.

"Randy Langley (building owner) was letting us have the space at essentially no cost. We had a 10-year lease with him. Several months ago Randy sold the building and the new owners have plans for the space which are incompatible with the Center operation," Colyer said.

"We have a lease good until 2018, and the new owners are not active-



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Jonathan Moreno visits Santa during the Faith Neighborhood Center Christmas giveaway.

ly trying to break it but Randy was allowing us to utilize some space not covered with the lease. The new owner rescinded that element, which is perfectly within his rights, but the bottom line is that our ability to operate effectively is severely curtailed."

"I am not, by any means, criticizing the owner, but we may need to find another space to operate in," Colyer said.

Colyer said he does not know exactly where to start or where to look for

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Meet Your NEIGHBOR

JOHN WEST



■ **HOMETOWN:** Monroe, Mich.

■ **OCCUPATION:** Owner of Genesis Sourcing Solutions, a credit card processing and merchant financing company. Allows companies to take credit cards or secure small-business loans for operating capital.

■ **FAMILY:** I have been married to my wife, Pam, for more than 20 years. We met at the University of Michigan. We have five children. Sarah, 18, attends Indiana Wesleyan University for nursing; Brittany, 16, is a junior at Lake Minneola High and committed to the University of Pittsburgh for gymnastics; John, 15, is a freshman football player at LMHS; Madison is 13 and dances at Shooting Stars here in Clermont; and David is 11 and loves Pop Warner football with the Knights. We also have two dogs, Bella and Oreo.

What do you enjoy most about South Lake County?

We just recently moved from Chicago, so the weather is pretty obvious. A few days ago it was negative 5 where we used to live and 65 here. Seems like a no-brainer. But this community is more than

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Ann Dupee

REMEMBER WHEN

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

JACKSON RECOGNIZED FOR HEROIC RESCUE

The Carnegie Foundation of Pittsburgh, Pa., has awarded Clermont's Fred Jackson its bronze medal in recognition of "Your outstanding heroism in saving Mrs. Sullivan and attempting to save Mr. Earnest Howard from drowning on Jan. 20, 1970, in East Lake in Clermont."

Jackson will receive a medal and \$500 for educational purposes. Mrs. Roy Lassiter drew his heroism to the foundation's attention.

"MIDDLE SCHOOL" DESIGNATION BEGINS

Clermont Junior High Prin-

cipal Bill Cockcroft reports the change in the school's educational system, which changed it to the "middle school" designation, was successful the past months.

He said the school is pleased with the results and believes the students are getting a better education than ever before. Students' needs are more adequately being met by the following interest courses: Spanish, gymnastics, archery, model construction, chorus, speed reading, creative art, independent study, slide rule, landscaping, knitting, pleasure reading, golf, volleyball, chess, drama, newspaper, sewing and drawing.

Course planning to meet each student's level and using teacher aides are making it possible for teachers to give more individual help.

"Under the new system we feel the student is more relaxed, enjoying school more, finding more success and receiving more attention from the teachers than was possible under the former traditional system," says Cockcroft.

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS IN SOUTH LAKE

Mrs. Jan Thompson, president of the Minnehaha Estates Association, will have open house at her new home for all the residents.

On Dec. 16 the Green Valley Country Club's membership will decorate their Christmas tree. The annual membership Christmas party is Saturday evening, Dec. 19. Ladies are asked to bring hors d'oeuvres. Louise Simpson and Alice Roberts are planning special prizes for costumes during the ladies 9-hole play and Christmas luncheon Dec. 17.

Mrs. Phyllis Hoebeke, the Methodist Church choir director and a graduate of the Recreation Club's annual Christmas covered dish supper at Jenkins Auditorium, according to correspondent

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Being organized is a key to couponing success

Happy New Year! Did you make any New Year's resolutions? In almost everyone's top 5 resolutions is getting organized in some way or the desire at least to be more organized. The same holds true for couponing. Being frugal is the easy part; the organization that comes with being frugal is the key to your success.

1) Getting your Sunday paper is a must! In a digital age, newspapers are and will remain your number one source for manufacturer coupons.

Savvy Savers Tip: If you are a family of 2-plus, it is best to get a paper for every member living under your



TANYA SENSENEY
SAVINGS DIVA

roof. I am a family of 5 and get a minimum of 6 Sunday papers each week simply for the coupons. (One for reading and the sales ads, the other 5-plus for couponing).

2) Clip your coupons each week. 85 percent of what is in your Sunday paper this week will be on sale in your area. The other products WILL go on sale before the coupon expires. It is not the simple act of clipping a coupon that saves you mon-

ey, the magic happens when you pair the coupon with a sale! By doing this you can save 50 percent or more.

3) Find a coupon organization system that works best for you. Many couponers, including me, use a binder to keep and organize coupons. There are many options for you and depending on your desire and personality you will want one that you can keep up.

Coupon wallets similar to what you would find at the dollar store, coupon boxes, zip lock bags and envelopes work, too.

4) Before you head to the checkout line, take a minute to make sure your coupons are easily accessible and

ready for the cashier. This will help make your trip easier at the end.

5) Remember that big savings will not happen overnight, but if you are consistent with it, you will save every time you shop. After four weeks of consistent shopping (weekly or bi-weekly depending on your budget) you will save 50-75 percent.

Tip for shopping with kids: Shopping with little ones can be stressful at times. Add couponing to that and it can be a recipe for disaster. But with a little extra planning you can save 50-75 percent every time you shop. I typically shop with my 6, 11 and 16-year-olds, but have been

couponing and shopping with them since they were all newborns.

If a binder is what you like most, simply put that in the back of the buggy and raise it up on top of your groceries as you shop. My house is always in disarray, but my coupon binder looks like Martha Stewart sprinkled some of her organizational magic over it. Yours will too. Follow my column in January for money savings ideas and strategies to save you more in 2014.

Tanya Senseney has more than 16 years experience saving and teaching others how to reduce their monthly grocery budget. For information on her classes, contact her at Tanya@DivineSavings.com, or go to www.DivineSavings.com.

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Gertrude Van Donselaar. Children of the Day Care Center enjoyed riding various equipment installed by a carnival at the downtown parking center: Barrette Pendergrass, Jonathon McGriff, Debra Wright, Sharon McKinney, Davey Bennett, Danny Hutcheson, Gary Hutcheson, Greg McDonald, Shelly Thompson, Yvonne Thompson and Louis McGriff.

Clermont's Junior Girl Scout Troops held a Christmas party and cookout at Mr. and Mrs. John Harder's Shorewood Park Home. Assisting were Mrs. Eugene Hogue and senior scouts Paula Harris and Mary Margaret Weaver. Mrs. John Louis Jones and Mrs. Charles Konsler assisted the girls in presenting a Christmas tableaux featuring Laurie Jones, Nancy Konsler, Pam Allen, Tamela Sheppard, Sherry Frances, Julie Julich, Clara Papetti, Della Harper, Cathy Cantwell, Cindy Hildreth and Carole Bishop.

GREENBACKS PLACE SECOND IN STATE

Members of the Greenbacks football team, coaching staff and cheerleaders were honored at a Thursday evening supper in the Hill Building in apprecia-

tion for their achievement during the 1970 football season. Peoples State Bank of Groveland and parents and friends hosted the dinner.

Wayne Williams scored two touchdowns to lead the Wildcats of Hastings to the Class C title with a 14-0 victory over the Greenbacks in Hastings Friday night. Groveland placed second in the state in Class C football. Head athletic director is David Harris III, Shaw Buck is head coach and Wendell Bridges is assistant head coach.

NOTABLES IN THE NEWS

Terry Lee Brown and Billie Jean Gilbert of Clermont will receive Associate in Arts degrees from Lake-Sumter Community College. Kaye Hunt Simmons, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hunt of Clermont, received her Bachelor of Arts degree from Florida Technological University in Orlando Dec. 12.

Mr. and Mrs. John Priebe and his mother, Mrs. Mary Priebe, have leased and are now running the Minneola Gift Shop on U. S. Highway 27 from Mrs. Paul Mann. The Priebe family has resided in the Clermont area for 40 years.

GOVERNMENT ACTIONS

Leonard Seaver and C. B. Ogden were elected, unopposed, to the Groveland City Council. Incumbent

Charles Ingalls was returned to office by winning over J. C. Moulton and Roy Barnes.

Lake County Commissioners, at a request from the Pollution and Control Board, introduced for first reading an ordinance prohibiting the sale or distribution of synthetic detergents, prohibiting more than 8.7 percent of phosphorus by weight after March 31, 1971, and any detergent containing any phosphorus after Jan. 1, 1972.

Montverde Town Council awarded bonuses to six firemen who attended 10 meetings throughout the year: Tony Mancuso, David Harden, Aaron Pettus, Wm. F. Gresham, Rex McCammack and Lawrence O'Berry.

SANTA ARRIVES BY HELICOPTER

Glenn Middleton was MC of the well-attended Clermont Christmas parade that saw Santa Claus arrive by helicopter after circling the Clermont area. Parade judges were Mr. and Mrs. Fred Reals and Leon Swing. Parade winners were: Commercial, Big Caddy food store and Hamrick Insurance and Real Estate. Churches, First Christian Church and Jacob's Chapel. Civic and fraternal, Clermont Elementary School.

SPECIAL OLYMPICS RECEIVES \$1,000 DONATION



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Blessed Sacrament Knights of Columbus Council No. 13240 in Clermont, Grand Knight, Jim Laria presented a \$1,000 donation to Special Olympics Florida Senior Vice-President Carl L. Ferguson at the Council's 11th Anniversary dinner on Nov. 23 at Sanctuary Ridge Golf Club in Clermont. Donations were also presented recently to the Mike Conley Hospice House, and the Building Blocks Ministry of Clermont. Made possible due to community support, and the Council's annual Charity Golf Classic held at the Sanctuary Ridge Golf Club.

ROTARY CLUB OF SOUTH LAKE DONATES DICTIONARIES



SUBMITTED PHOTO

The Rotary Club of South Lake donated dictionaries to all third grade students at Lost Lake Elementary recently. Samuel Worrell, Denny Blankenship, Ed Pauley and Annarose Pauley from the Rotary Club, along with Susan Emrick, CRT, went to all of the third grade classrooms and gave a dictionary to each student.

No. 1222

GOOD ONE! By ELIZABETH C. GORSKI / Edited by Will Shortz

Note: When this puzzle is done, draw a line connecting the 21 circled letters from A to U in alphabetical order. The resulting shape will provide a clue to 6-, 8-, 14-, 53- and 70-Down.

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| ACROSS | 39 Jules or Jim in "Jules et Jim" | 84 Bach's "_____, Joy of Man's Desiring" | 6 [See blurb] |
| 1 Help to harm | 40 Amarillo-to-Dallas dir. | 85 Greek earth goddess | 7 Something it's not good to go to |
| 5 Part of a pharaoh's headdress | 41 L.G.B.T. rights advocate | 86 Robe closer | 8 [See blurb] |
| 8 Worker with a trowel | 42 Iowa city | 89 Nuke | 9 Cousin of "aargh!" |
| 13 Much | 43 Done: Fr. | 90 Chef Lagasse | 10 Lose traction |
| 16 Mideast capital | 45 Lands | 92 Unseen scenes | 11 Mrs. _____ cow |
| 17 Symbol of mass density | 47 Without _____ (dangerously) | 94 Taunt | 12 Braced (oneself) |
| 18 Mercurial | 48 It may be full of icons | 95 One _____ customer | 13 Give it the gas |
| 19 "The Caine Mutiny" captain | 51 Tease, with "on" | 96 Name on a swim cap | 14 [See blurb] |
| 21 Many an early French settler in America | 54 2-Down, for one | 98 Funny Anne | 15 Expulsion, as of a foreign diplomat |
| 23 More off-putting | 55 Some H.S. math | 100 Giving a boost | 18 Majority owner of Chrysler |
| 24 European capital | 56 Slanting | 103 How-_____ | 19 Play callers, for short |
| 25 Special seating area in an airplane | 58 "Say what?" | 104 Moneymaker for Money | 20 Big money units, in slang |
| 26 Cry from Scrooge | 59 One more | 106 Compact Olds | 22 Lead-in to while _____ cheese |
| 27 With 63-Down, 1997 P.G.A. champ who captained the 2012 U.S. Ryder Cup team | 61 Words that precede "Born is the King ..." | 107 Futuristic weapon | 26 _____ cheese |
| 29 Good scores in diving | 63 House committee chairman Darrell | 109 Like a rendition of "Deck the Halls" | 28 Beatles tune from "A Hard Day's Night" |
| 30 Like many coats and tunes | 64 Mexican sauces | 110 He's no Einstein | 31 Some wings |
| 33 Make calls | 65 Ear-related study | 111 Boo-boos | 32 Broad |
| 34 General _____ chicken | 66 Hilarious types | 112 Thriller writer Follett | 36 _____Coeur (Paris basilica) |
| 35 Special mall event | 67 Strain | 113 Rural storage | 38 Unknot |
| 37 Bride of 1981 | 68 Reproductive stock | 114 Preserve, in a way | 44 Suffix with sentimental |
| Online subscriptions: Today's puzzle and more than 4,000 past puzzles. nytimes.com/crosswords (\$39.95 a year). | 70 New hire, typically | 115 China producer | 46 Cries of joy |
| | 72 Hydrocarbon suffix | 116 Nettle | 47 Throw for _____ |
| | 73 Target number | 117 Half of a noodle dish? | 48 Common game piece |
| | 74 Fr. holy woman | | 49 Expulsion |
| | 75 British rule in India | | 50 Futuristic weapon |
| | 76 [I'm mad!] | | 51 One of 11 pharaohs |
| | 77 "Don Quixote" composer | DOWN | 52 Bedub |
| | 79 Idiosyncrasies | 1 Gray | 53 [See blurb] |
| | 81 Overseas assembly | 2 Good source of aluminum | 55 Termite's nemesis |
| | 83 Number-crunching | 3 What cowlings cover | 68 Tailors' inserts |
| | | 4 Took up the slack in | 69 Sister of Helios |
| | | 5 River of Pisa | 70 [See blurb] |
| | | | 71 Charged |
| | | | 73 In the role of |
| | | | 78 Guest-star in, say |
| | | | 80 Nile deity |
| | | | 81 Mideast ruler |
| | | | 82 Symbolic effort in support of equal rights |
| | | | 84 "Cloud Shepherd" artist |
| | | | 85 Departs |
| | | | 87 Writer Ann |
| | | | 88 Mideast national |
| | | | 89 Self-sealing bag |
| | | | 91 Vintage wedding gown fabrics |
| | | | 93 Mideast ruler |
| | | | 94 Spanish cession in the Spanish-American War |
| | | | 97 Millennia on end |
| | | | 99 Extension |
| | | | 101 Charge carrier |
| | | | 102 Greek diner order |
| | | | 105 Winter sports locale |
| | | | 108 Son of _____ |
| | | | 109 Bit of winter sports equipment |

SOLUTION ON PAGE D3

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a new home, so he is soliciting the community for help. He is also looking for a place that is centrally located since clients come from all over south Lake County, but his main priority is keeping it open. "The Center has been in operation since 1972 and I

would hate to have to close it down, but we have no room to operate as we have been operating and we don't have too much money for rent," he said. The current facility contains 2500 square feet, but he said 5000 square feet would accommodate the current operation and allow for expansion of the mission. "Also, depending on where we go or who has space

we might be able to use, we could pay some rent, but I don't know exactly how much. Every dollar we spend on rent is a dollar taken away from someone in need of assistance." As for the space, Colyer said the center has food, clothing and other equipment and supplies in storage "all over the place" and could not even hold their annual Christmas party at their location.

Maria Cassanova, a client of Faith Neighborhood Center who lives in Groveland, said she hopes that the center can find a location so it can continue to do what it has been doing for her and so many others. "If the center was not here, I think a lot of people would suffer," Cassanova said. "I wouldn't ask for help if I didn't need to but I need it. It's tough right now. Times are tough. In my

home, I have three grown children and two young grandchildren I take care of and only me and one of my sons have a job and are working." "We come here for help with food and clothes. I would miss that help. They (people) tell me there are other places I could go for help too, but I don't know where they are." To help, call Jerry Colyer at 352-874-6708.

NEIGHBOR
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that. My wife has run two marathons, so this being the number one spot for triathlons in the nation is a real plus. Keeping her from doing one is going to be hard to do. But once you start walking and running all the trails you understand why. We have not seen a community anywhere that allows you to do so much outdoors like the trails, the waterfront and the lakes. It is all just great.

- 1) **If you had to summarize your philosophy of life in one sentence, what would it be?**
Worry about nothing; pray about everything.
- 2) **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?

The Pastor (Renaut van der Riet) at Mosaic Church on Oakland Ave. He and his wife (Brooke) are about my wife and I's age. We attended their church on a day they call orphan Sunday and he talked about a passage in the Bible, James 1:27, that says being a Christian means caring for orphans in a way I had never realized. But what was most impressive, wasn't what he said, but that his wife and he lived it out. They have four children of their own and then adopted four more from Ethiopia. Talk about a house in chaos when the oldest is like 14. The fortitude and courage that takes to live out is amazing. He actually is living out the old adage, Practice what you Preach. More people could learn from that; I know I did.

tribute to the welfare of the area?

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unselfish in our society. Parents are losing the battle to the world in the fight to raise our kids to be the children we dream about. Instead we just hope for the best. My wife and I have been blessed beyond measure with the five children we have and the approach they take to life. I am filled with joy with each comment I hear about any of my kids.

5) **What's something you've always wanted to do but haven't yet?**
I want to start an orphanage that rescues kids from human trafficking and shows them the love that every child deserves. This is a newer dream but one I hope to see in my life. My daughter is becoming a nurse to care for orphans, so I have my first recruit. This is such a terrible tragedy. Bringing kids out of this situation and to a sanctuary we develop and build to house, educate,

and love on them would be more fulfilling than climbing Everest to me.

6) **What advice would you give to people who want to help out in the community?**
Don't try and just do something in the community. Join an organization that is successfully doing things in the community and come alongside them. It will multiply the success of your efforts. My family joined Mosaic church, which is tremendously active in the community through everything from food banks to charities helping drug addicts. Business-wise, I joined the Chamber of Commerce. It is an organization that can help your business. But, if that is the only reason you join, you only are getting 10 percent of what it offers. It really is business owners influencing their community, and this one does a great job.



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003 Legal Notices

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE OR DISPOSITION

According to the Florida Self Storage Act, Groveland Mini Storage, LLC located at 178 Groveland Farms Road, Groveland, FL 34736 gives notice that the following Tenants are in default of the rental agreement.

Pat Besch, 20
Lizette Gonzales, 15
Charles Holbrook, 133
Miriam Trejo, 45

Unit contents are said to contain household goods, furniture, misc. Units will be sold or disposed of on January 18, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. We have the right to sell or refuse any bids, and may dispose of all contents according to Florida State Statutes. All Sales Final, CASH ONLY. Everything sold as is where is. No guarantees. Please call to confirm sale at 352-429-0090

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134 Cemetery Lots/Crypts

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200 At Your Service

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NOTICE
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281 Roofing

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410 Sales

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KITCHEN TABLE white tile top w/wood trim. Good cond. \$50. 408-5357

LOVE SEAT full size w/hide-a-bed. Good cond. \$50 Call 225-939-0376

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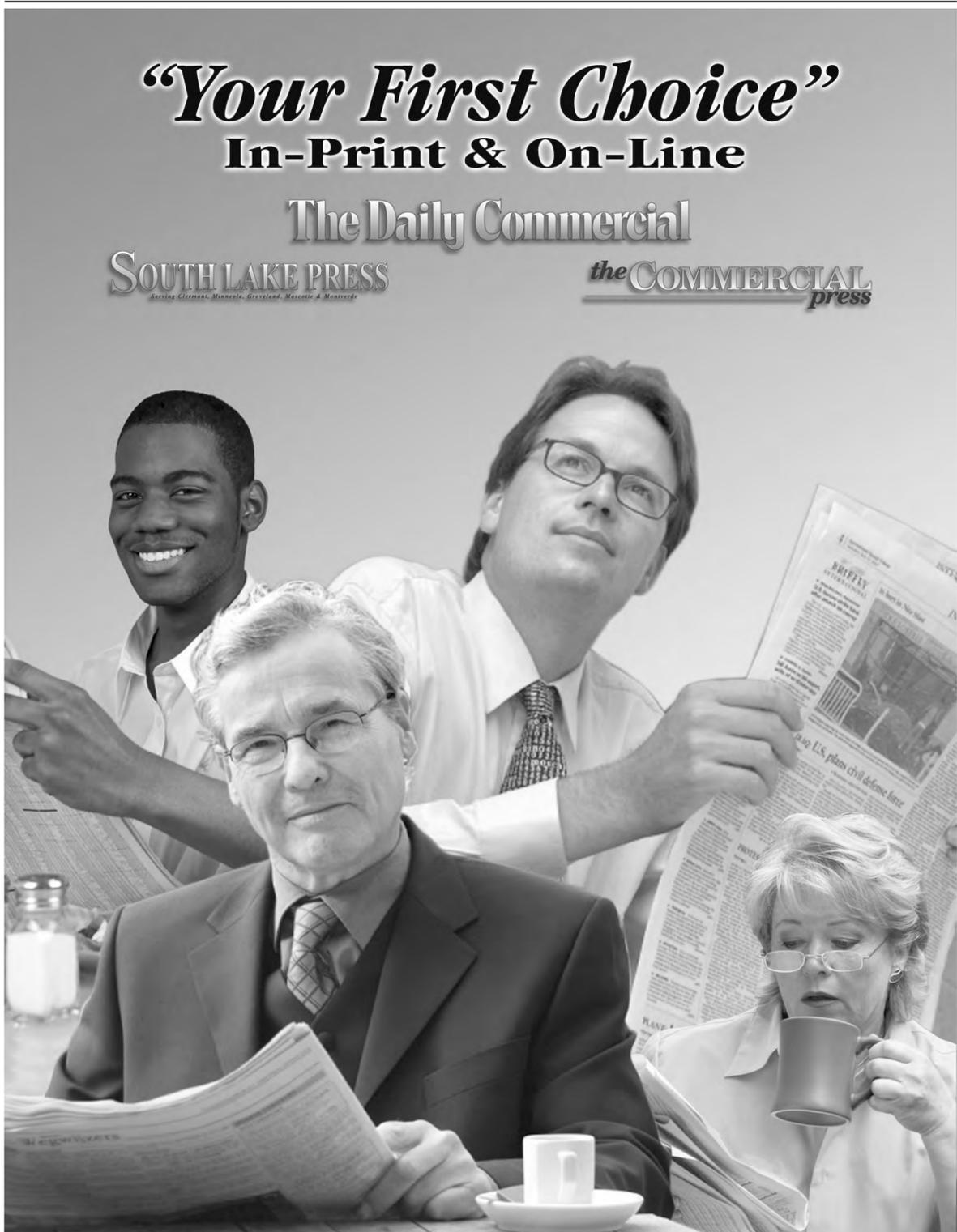
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HEALTH MAX, cost over \$500, brand new. Asking \$100. 352-603-1779

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