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No
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County cuts attorney fee budget by \$55,000

By ED BALDRIDGE
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SEBRING — Commissioners decided to reduce their budget for attorney fees during a special meeting on Monday, amounting to an additional \$55,499 in budget cuts.

The cuts were not on the agenda during the budget

review meeting, but Commissioner Don Elwell asked the board to consider reducing the amount set aside for County Attorney Ross Macbeth during the final minutes of the meeting.

The cuts originally proposed by Elwell added up to an approximately \$80,000 savings in the budget.



Elwell



Macbeth

"Currently his litigation budget is \$90,000 and he is at \$31,625 and is trending at

\$42,000. His contract is currently at \$162,000 trending towards \$216,000," Elwell stated.

The county budget for just contractual services in 2011-12 was set at \$355,499, and Elwell felt that the extra from the two line items was not necessary.

"I am suggesting a 4 or 5

percent increase over what he is tracking for the year and it is still an \$80,000 savings," Elwell stressed.

Board Chairwoman Barbara Stewart disagreed with Elwell's suggesting, and argued to leave the litigation and contractual budget at the proposed rates.

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And the walls come tumbling down



News-Sun photo by KATARA SIMMONS
Track-hoe operator Ron Knous of Sonny Glasbrenner Inc., works Tuesday to demolish the old Scotty's building in Sebring Plaza. According to Knous, the demolition will take nearly a month.

Sebring officials have confirmed the demolition begun at the Sebring Plaza on U. S. 27 is in preparation for a Sam's Club.

Ron Knox, who works with Sonny Glasbrenner Inc., the contractor in charge of the demolition, told the News-Sun Tuesday that the work,

which began Monday, should be completed in about a month.

Everything from the old Scotty's Hardware, down to the Dollar General will go.

There is no word on when construction will begin.

— Christopher Tuffley

2 teens jailed in attempted shooting

Man also jailed for trying to hide gun

News-Sun staff

LAKE PLACID — Three people, two of them teenagers, were arrested Thursday in connection with a shooting on Josephine Avenue in Lake Placid.

According to Highlands County Sheriff's Office reports, 15-year-old Wallace Damon Legree and 16-year-old Derwin Callahan Jr. got into a verbal altercation with the victim, who is also 15, at around 5 p.m. Thursday. During the altercation, Callahan produced a handgun, later identified as a .380 caliber, and threatened the victim with it, saying "I'm tired of you; we're fixing to kill you."

Reports said that Legree took the weapon and fired several shots at the fleeing victim, who was not injured and was able to get to a relative's house and call 911.

When deputies approached Legree's residence on Robinson Street, they reported that 29-year-old Kenneth Jamal Deveaux was exiting the home. When he saw the deputies, Deveaux reportedly tried to flee, but was caught.

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Walking for a cause

Former Marine wants to create new holiday

By SAMANTHA GHOLAR
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AVON PARK — Marine veteran Lance Robinson has spent the last 11 months on a journey all over the country in order to persuade lawmakers to create a new national holiday, Brother to Brother Day.

Robinson, 53 and a resident of Export, Pa., has set a goal to walk through each of the contiguous 48 states, spending time at each of the state capitals speaking to politicians and promoting Brother to Brother Day, a



News-Sun photo by KATARA SIMMONS
Marine veteran Lance Robinson heads north on U.S. 27 through Highlands County on Saturday.

potential holiday to honor veterans.

His walk began Sept. 10 of last year in Washington D.C.. Florida marks the 18th

state that Robinson has walked through. He passed through Highlands County

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County votes to sell asphalt to cities

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SEBRING — County commissioners voted 3-0 to sell asphalt to the municipalities during their regular meeting on Tuesday.

Commissioner Greg Harris was not present at the meeting, and no announcement was made as to why he was absent.

County Administrator Ricky Helms proposed the sale of asphalt to the municipalities and companies who are doing projects within the county.

No exact cost was set during the meeting and Helms said that the costs

would vary based on production runs.

"The materials that go into the production, the cost of the Board of County Commissioners and the service of the debt will all be included in the cost to the municipalities," Helms said. "That would be a price that would fluctuate based on the cost of the materials used in production."

"I just wanted to make sure that the debt is being serviced," County Commissioner Don Elwell said.

Helms assured the commission that the debt serv-

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2 adults, 4 kids hurt in crash

By ED BALDRIDGE

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AVON PARK — Two adults and four children were injured in a head-on collision Monday on State Road 17 just outside of Avon Park.

Around 5:10 p.m., April D. Coulter-Manuel, 36, and four children — Aiden A. Manuel, 8, Abigail R. Manuel, 5, Jacklynn D. Manuel, 7, and Sophia R.

Manuel, 5, — were all transported to Florida Hospital Heartland Medical Center with minor injuries after their 2007 Toyota SUV collided head-on with a 2011 Kia SUV.

The driver of the Kia SUV, Ariana K. Roman, 20, was also transported to Florida Hospital Heartland and suffered serious injuries from the accident.

The report by Florida Highway Patrol

Cpl. Larry H. McClellan Jr. stated that Coulter-Manuel was heading south on S.R. 17 and was attempting to turn onto Arbuckle Creek Road when she collided head-on with Roman's Kia.

Both vehicles came to rest in the northbound lane of S.R. 17 facing east.

Alcohol was not a factor in the accident, and seat belts were in use, according to the report.

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

The Salvation Army seeks program sponsors

SEBRING — The Salvation Army (3135 Kenilworth Blvd.) is in need of sponsors for its Back to School Clothing Program for families. Help by calling to sponsor a child or a family for their back to school clothing to begin the year with.

Help make it a great beginning of the year for a child.

Call 385-7548, ext. 100.

Free amplified telephones distributed

SEBRING — Hearing Impaired Persons will distribute free amplified telephones to Florida residents who have a hearing or speech loss. The distribution will take place at Nu-Hope Elder Care Services conference room, 6414 U.S. 27 South, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday.

Breastfeeding event is Friday

SEBRING — Celebrate the TALK TO ME! annual Breastfeeding Event with WIC and Healthy Start. Are you pregnant or currently breastfeeding? Then bring the family and celebrate National World Breastfeeding Week with the Highlands County WIC and the Healthy Start programs.

This event will take place from 1-3 p.m. Friday at the Bert J. Harris Jr. Agricultural Center, 4509 N. George Blvd. Free admission, prizes, refreshments and games.

Call the Healthy Start Program at 386-6040 for more information.

Model Railroad Club will not meet

SEBRING — All Sebring Model Railroad Club will not meet in August. The group meets on the third Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at the Church of Christ, 3800 Sebring Parkway. The next meeting is Sept. 20.

Members build and run

an 'HO' Gauge model railroad layout. All rail-buffs and all other model railroad gauges hobbyists are welcomed.

For information, or updates on meeting locations, call Gene Archer at 452-0334 or Curtis Petersen at 382-6967.

Events planned at lodges, posts

AVON PARK

The Combat Veterans Memorial VFW Post 9853 House Committee will meet at 7 p.m. today. Bar bingo is planned for 1 p.m. Thursday. For more information, call 452-9853.

LAKE PLACID

The Veterans of Foreign Wars 3880 will have Wii games at 6 p.m. today. On Saturday, Aug. 20 will be a prime rib dinner (get tickets early). For details, call 699-5444.

The American Legion Auxiliary Placid Unit 25 will host a casino trip to Immokalee on Tuesday, Aug. 30. Cost is \$35 (receive \$30 free play and \$5 food voucher). Coffee and doughnuts served from 7:45-8:15 a.m. Bus leaves at 8:30 a.m. from the American Legion Post, 1490 U.S. 27 North. Sign up before Wednesday, Aug. 24. Non-members welcome. For more information or to sign up, call 655-0232.

The American Legion Placid Post 25 will host L&L Duo today. Call for time. For more information, call 465-0975.

SEBRING

The Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 4300 will have Gary O. providing music from 5-8 p.m. today. For more details, call 385-8902.

Crossroads Fellowship offers VBS

SEBRING — Vacation Bible School is just around the corner. Don't miss getting your child registered for Vacation Bible School. Cost is free.

VBS will be from 9 a.m. to noon through Aug. 5 for

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POLICE BLOTTER

The News-Sun would like to remind the readers that the names listed below reflect those who have been charged with a crime, but they are all innocent until proven guilty by a court of law. If anyone listed here is acquitted or has charges dropped, they can bring in proof of such decision or mail a copy to the paper and the News-Sun will be happy to report that information. The News-Sun is at 2227 U.S. 27 South, Sebring, FL 33870.

The following people were booked into the Highlands County Jail on Monday, August 1:

◆ Lee Marvin Anderson, 25, of Sebring, was sentenced to 24 months for possession of drug equipment and/or use; and possession of cocaine with intent to sell, manufacture or deliver, etc.

◆ Eduardo Dominguez Atilano, 25, of Palm Beach, was charged for operating motor vehicle without valid driver license.

◆ Benjamin Michael Benchina, 19, of Sebring, was charged with possession of drug paraphernalia.

◆ Frank Ralph Branca, 53, of Avon Park, was charged with possession of drug equipment and/or use; and possession of marijuana, not more than 20 grams.

◆ Dale Evans-Williams Brown, 25, of Sebring, was charged with possession of drug paraphernalia; and possession of cannabis.

◆ James Paul Griswold, 21, of Sebring, was charged for using or possessing drug paraphernalia.

◆ Chelsea Lindsay McGuire, 21, of Lake Placid, was charged for battery, touch or strike.

◆ Mark Christopher Noland, 21, of Lake Placid, was charged for resisting officer, obstruction without violence.

◆ Rosewell Jermaine Simpson, 35, of Sebring, was charged with larceny or grand theft; burglary of unoccupied conveyance, unarmed; and dealing in stolen property.

◆ Jaime Rose Taylor, 33, of Sebring, was charged with larceny, petit theft, second degree, first offense.

◆ Louis Timothy Wells, 40, of Avon Park, was charged for withholding support, non-support of children or spouse.

The following people were booked into the Highlands County Jail on Sunday, July 31:

◆ Paul Quincy Anderson, 38, of Holiday, was charged on an out-of-county warrant for battery.

◆ Michael Joseph Bright, 29, of Sebring, was charged with domestic violence or battery.

◆ Leroy Claitt, 53, of Avon Park, was charged with violation of probation.

◆ Kevin Thomas Crain, 45, of Sebring, was charged for driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

◆ David Ryan Giles, 50,

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Soldier visits Arc



Courtesy photo
United States Army Private E-2 Ethan Lawrence demonstrates Friday how the Army does a push up to the consumers and staff at Ridge Area Arc in Avon Park. He just finished his basic training and came to Arc to talk about his military experience. His mom, Susan, works at Arc. Ethan, a 19-year-old Sebring High School graduate, will be leaving soon for Korea to work with the Special Troops Battalion.

Boys and Girls Club hosting Back to School Bash on Aug. 18

Donation, sponsors still being sought

By SAMANTHA GHOLAR

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SEBRING — The 12th annual Back to School Bash is fast approaching and members of the committee are ready to prepare Highlands County youth for the upcoming school year.

The Back to School Bash will take place from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. Aug. 18 at the Boys and Girls Club at 111 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.

This year's event is co-sponsored by the Florida Sportsmen's Association, Washington Heights Concerned Citizen's Group and the Boys and Girls Club. The BGC will host the event for the second year in a row.

Chairmen for the event, Robert Saffold, is expecting a huge turnout for the event and is inviting volunteers and sponsors to contribute.

"Last year we gave out 440 backpacks I think. We only had one barber out there giving haircuts but we have three barbers already interested for this year. We have two beauticians that will be there," said Saffold.

The committee is accepting

more participants. Each organization that participates in the Back to School Bash will have its logo printed on the school supplies and backpacks.

"We expect to have a full day of fun. The health department will be there for immunizations and physicals. We're going to have a basketball tournament, bounce houses and the sheriff or fire department will be there for a safety demonstration," Saffold said.

The event will provide free backpacks for students in grades kindergarten through the sixth. Supplies will also be included in the backpacks for each of the students who receive a backpack.

"We also give out supplies to the older kids. If a senior or a sophomore or something needs paper or notebooks, of course we give it to them, but the backpacks are for the elementary students," Saffold said.

The event committee is accepting any donations or services from organizations and individuals.

"Any service that you can provide is good. We have

pop-up tents for those who want to help. We want to send the kids back to school with everything they need and looking sharp," said Saffold.

Anyone interested in donating to the event may contact Saffold at 381-5166. Checks should be made payable to The Florida Sportsmen Association and can be mailed to 608 Bowman Ave. Sebring, FL 33870.



Lottery Center



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Next jackpot \$34 million

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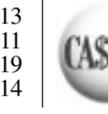
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July 29 20 40 41 47 55 PB: 19 PP: 2
Next jackpot \$160 million
July 27 38 40 41 51 59 PB: 33 PP: 2
July 23 1 7 27 38 48 PB: 30 PP: 3

Note: Cash 3 and Play 4 drawings are twice per day; (d) is the daytime drawing, (n) is the nighttime drawing.
PB: Power Ball PP: Power Play

Panera Bread hosts Operation Lemon-aid for Kids this weekend

Special to the News-Sun

SEBRING — Panera Bread will host Operation Lemon-aid for Kids to benefit Highlands County children involved in the Make-A-Wish Foundation.

From 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, stop by the Sebring Panera Bread and for \$1 sample Panera homemade lemonade at the Lemon-Aid Stands created to support the Make-A-Wish Foundation.

Sebring Panera is committed to helping the community

anyway it can. Not only will this event benefit children in the community, but it will be a fun event to break up the summer doldrums and beat the heat with some great tasting lemonade.

Face painting for the kids and cookies will also be available.

All proceeds will go for making a child's wish come true. Panera Bread is at 1760 U.S. 27 North, in the Shelby Crossing Shopping Center next to Mattress Giant.

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Panther Youth students speak to chamber members about their goals

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AVON PARK — Members of the three chambers of commerce gathered Friday at the Jacaranda Hotel to share a meal and meet several unusual students, all of whom are a part of the Panther Youth program. They attend local high schools, or the career academy, and some already take courses at South Florida Community College.

Panther Youth has served young people between the ages of 16 and 21 for 15 years.

The program is funded by a grant from the Heartland Workforce Investment Board.

Its goal is to show students the wide range of career options existing in the world today and prepare them for the adult business world by teaching them, among many things, basic etiquette, how to dress for the workplace and public speaking.

Small stipends are available to pay for things like the cost of taking the SATs.

Students meet business people, take two- and three-week specialized courses throughout the year, do volunteer work and meet weekly with a mentor.

Jennifer Swygard is entering her senior year at Sebring High School and her second year with the program. She said, "They provide the best opportunities nobody would know about otherwise, and push you out there to do it."

Friday, as part of the program, four young ladies had to stand and address chamber of commerce members. Each spoke on a topic of particular interest to them, and came prepared with notes on index cards.

In her speech, which was a



News-Sun photo by CHRISTOPHER TUFFLEY
Shontonia Williams, an Avon Park High School senior and member of the Panther Youth, speaks Wednesday about the importance of recycling.

tribute to Oprah Winfrey and rising above poverty, she said, "It is important to know that no matter what comes your way, you are in control of how you react. You choose success, it's you."

Swygard plans on attending Southeast University, a Christian school, and work as a Biblical counselor.

Honestee Wynn is interested in an entirely different field. She plans on studying animal science and work with exotic animals. Her message was that the entire community has to work together to prevent child abuse. The effects of that abuse, she said, are "mind crippling and life changing."

Shontonia Williams will be a senior at Avon Park High School when school starts. She plans on becoming a psychoanalyst.

Friday she spoke about pollution and dwindling natural resources, and how people can help by recycling.

She said, "Recycling significantly reduces the harmful effects to the environment, therefore every com-



News-Sun photo by CHRISTOPHER TUFFLEY
Angie Rodriguez wants to become a nurse. Right now she's a senior at Sebring High School

munity should press to have its residents recycle. By making more facilities available and by raising awareness, more people will recycle. One community starts a domino effect that leads to a large number of materials being saved."

Angie Rodriguez, entering her senior year at Sebring High School, is focused on becoming a nurse. Her

speech reflected that interest, addressing the issue of how disabled students are treated by teachers and fellow students.

The topic is of special interest to her, because her brother is autistic. She wants to see a program developed for parents, teachers and students to help them overcome their fears of those who are different.

'I don't want \$80,000 in a budget that doesn't need to be when I am cutting service, cutting jobs and it could help somewhere else.'

DON ELWELL
county commissioner

County decides to trim attorney fee budget by \$55,000

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"It has got to be part of the budget. We would just be moving it from the board budget to contingency," Stewart argued.

"I understand that, but we need to find some middle ground somewhere. We are over-funding this by \$80,000," Elwell said.

"But, that's it. You cannot put it another budget to be spent. So what's the point?" Stewart asked. "What do you do if all of a sudden you get hit with lawsuits?"

"I don't want \$80,000 in a budget that doesn't need to be when I am cutting service, cutting jobs and it could help somewhere else," Elwell countered.

Stewart continued to argue that the cuts could affect contingency funds, but when asked, Tim Mechlin of the county's Office of Budget and Management stated that more than \$350,000 out a reserve of \$850,000 was still available in contingency.

"I think we've got the \$80,000 there," Elwell said.

"Just so we know that it is not going to affect the budget by just putting it into contingency," Stewart said.

"Why don't we hear from Mr. Macbeth and Mr. Helms," Stewart said, turning the discussion over to

the individual who would directly benefit from any budget changes.

Macbeth pointed out that the board has gone out to contingency once over the past 20 years to fund litigation.

"The downturn in building permits and planning are finally showing. I would expect that to continue in the next two years," Macbeth said.

Macbeth himself recommended \$250,000 in his contractual services and \$50,000 in litigation, resulting in the \$55,499 budget savings.

"I would expect that to be relatively safe," Macbeth said.

"You feel comfortable with the \$300,000, especially with the significant projects we have planned?" Stewart asked Macbeth.

Macbeth assured Stewart that Elwell's projections were accurate as long as the entire budget, litigation and contractual needs, stayed around \$300,000.

Stewart insisted that an additional \$40,000 be placed in contingency.

"We don't have anything right now, but boy that can change in a minute," Stewart said. "I just want to make sure that when Rick does his budget, that there is enough earmarked for that."

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EDITORIAL & OPINION

TODAY'S EDITORIAL

Two different faces of transparency

An unexpected side effect of the age of social media is government transparency, especially here in Highlands County.

Transparency in government can sometimes be painful and embarrassing in the short term, but history has shown that when the people are informed, they make appropriate choices and are more engaged in their government. It is a necessary element is any democracy.

Along comes Don Elwell, who announced during his campaign that he would encourage transparency in government if elected to the board of commissioners.

Elwell stated that his mission was to foster discussion

and to create transparency. His Facebook wall is full of thousands of comments and responses about everything from county tourism to views on the national debt policy.

Elwell tries to corral the discussion, but dang that free speech, some people will just talk about the first thing that comes to mind. But so far Elwell has used Facebook to poll, kick-start conversations and inform the public during a tough budget season.

Reading Elwell's page is thought provoking for anyone who wishes to openly discuss

local government. The posts have generated some excellent ideas as well as crackpot solutions to how to deal with decreasing revenues and increasing costs.

Elwell has even convinced county staff to start a Facebook page to do the same concept from an "official" standpoint.

The Board of County Commission's staff, with Elwell's help, has started its own social experiment in their own words to "provide accurate information about county issues."

"From time to time this page is going to have informational items to make the citizens of Highlands County more aware of how the County operates," states the

seventh of about 15 posts.

The first and second post simply say Test and Test 2.

Just like Elwell's Facebook page, the county's "official" Facebook entries include hot links to the budget, meeting notices and one bulldog that is available for adoption.

Further comparison shows that Elwell has 776 friends who regularly view and sometimes post, while the Highlands County Board of County Commission's has just two members listed.

Maybe that's because the BOCC experiment has only been active since July 7 and Elwell's has been around since last October, or maybe it's because the BOCC stated public information mission is to "convert passive consumers

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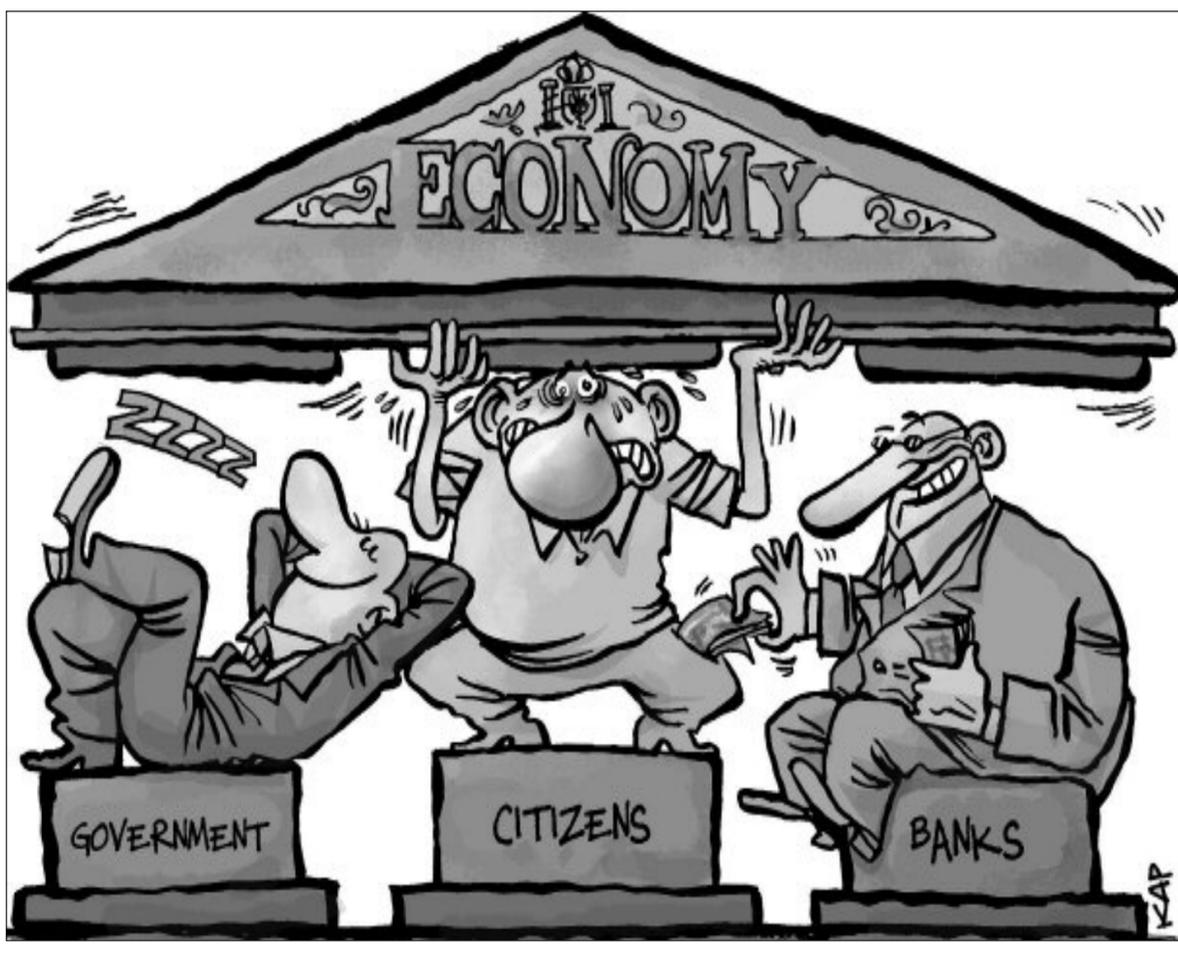
of public services into responsible, supportive citizens."

Since when do citizens need to be "converted?" Maybe they meant "convinced."

Despite the differences,

both pages are striving to inform, each in their own way, and when elected officials and government agencies inform, that's a good thing.

It's the results that may vary.



TODAY'S LETTERS

A fourth option for Choice

Editor:

I would like to add a fourth option for Choice and the county.

The option is quite simple. It's that you do your job just exactly as you do it now. There will be no changes except you'll dump in a different part of the same landfill. You will not charge any extra for this service nor will you get a contract extension as you are under contract now.

Here's how it will work: You will continue to come to my home on Monday and collect my garbage that I set out. You will transport that to a county landfill just as you and every other company has since 1990. Then on Thursday you will come to my home, just as you are required, and pick up my bags again. These bags will contain my recycled items, which is of no concern to you. None whatsoever. Unless something illegal is in those bags you have no rights about collecting them. The difference will be instead of taking it up the hill. You will take it to a new spot. One which the county staff will get off its duff and provide for you, something which should have been done before now.

This represents one of the largest taxes that you pay in the county and, folks, no matter what you call it, it's a tax. I know I was the one who suggested it in the committee in 1989. The county has allowed for things in this department to change for the worse and if they continue with this plan and its three options it will get even worse than now.

Should the county not be able to do its job in solid waste collection any more, then perhaps they should consider getting out of the business. They are, believe it or not, the controlling party in your collection. I realize it doesn't look like it but it's true folks. Now commissioners, grow some and tell staff what you expect and tell Choice that they can do their job for the same

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money or leave and we'll use their bond money to purchase our own trucks.

Folks no matter what they try to tell you. This was the easiest job I ever had in my life; I was the manager for one of the companies when we started this in 1990. I served on both solid waste committees and so I have a wee bit of knowledge in this area. The short story is very simple indeed; "Dear homeowners and business owners, bend over."

*Ray Napper
Sebring*

Be careful what you wish for

Editor:

Now that the Tea Party Republicans in the house have finished giving themselves high-fives, it is time to examine the fruit of their labors. Arguing for massive cuts in governmental spending without specifying which branches of government should be cut and why, they put me in mind of the tailors who cut their cloth before measuring the customer, whose suit they were making.

Ignoring the time honored adage to "measure twice, cut once," they have attacked the budget process on the front end, insisting on massive cuts in spending, no increase in revenues and expect as if by magic, a smaller, more efficient, less costly government.

What we can expect? For one, an FAA without revenue, air safety in jeopardy, tax revenue on airlines lost. For the future; a less efficient FBI, less efficient TSA with increased risk of terrorism, less enforcement and reduced scrutiny in SEC and stock markets, creating more opportunity for the Maddoff's and Enron's of the future. Add to this a reduction in Social Security benefits, Medicare coverage, unemployment compensation and related benefits while reducing tax liabilities for the ultra wealthy and big corporations and no closure of obvious tax loopholes enjoyed by these groups and you have a pretty good road map for the future; that is for openers.

Jobs?
We'll think about it.

*Randy Ludacer
Lake Placid*

Beat the heat; go online

If the dog days of summer have you turning up the air conditioning or fan, here's a hot tip to keep cool. When the time comes to apply for your Medicare benefits, don't worry about trudging into the heat and making your way in the blazing sun to a Social Security office. Just pour yourself a tall glass of iced tea, sit back in the comfort of your home or office, and go to www.socialsecurity.gov.

Winter, spring, summer, or fall, all you have to do is go online. You can use our online application to sign up for Medicare, even if you are not ready to retire. It takes less than 10 minutes.

Keep in mind that if you're applying to start receiving Social Security benefits at age 65 or are already receiving benefits, your enrollment in Medicare is automatic and no additional application is needed. However, if you're within four months of your 65th birthday and you plan to delay your retirement benefits, you should consider applying for Medicare.

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Guest Column

Michael W. Grochowski

mail.

For more information about applying for Medicare only and delaying retirement benefits, read our Retirement Planner page: Applying for Medicare Online at www.socialsecurity.gov/retire2/justmedicare.htm.

Once you've read over the information and reviewed your situation, you can make a clear decision on whether the time is right for you to apply for Medicare. When you're ready to apply, here's exactly what you need to do:

- Go online to www.socialsecurity.gov and select "Apply for Medicare;"
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- Use the "More Info" links if you need more information;
- Answer questions about current benefits you may be receiving, such as Medicaid or other health insurance; and
- Select "Sign Now" to send your application electronically to Social Security.

Social Security makes it easy to apply for Medicare and do a number of other things from the comfort of your home or office. Stay cool and visit www.socialsecurity.gov.

Michael W. Grochowski is the regional commissioner for Social Security with an office in Atlanta.



POLICE BLOTTER

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of Lake Placid, was charged with possession of cannabis; and possession of drug paraphernalia.

◆ Patricia Maoneli Gordillo, 33, of Lake Placid, was charged on a municipal ordinance violation.

◆ Alphonso Grier, 21, of Sunrise, was charged for driving while license suspended, first offense.

◆ Jeremy Boone Jones, 28, of Lake Placid, was charged for domestic violence or battery, touch or strike.

◆ Merry J. Lindo, 57, of Lake Placid, was charged with domestic violence or battery, touch or strike.

◆ Steffeni Michelle Smith, 39, of Avon Park, was charged with possession of drug equipment and/or use; and possession of marijuana, not more than 20 grams.

The following people were booked into the Highlands County Jail on Saturday, July 30:

◆ Jeffrey Benjamin Arquitt, 18, of Camden, S.C., was charged with resisting officer, obstruction without violence.

◆ Alex Erick Bertrand, 18, of Sebring, was charged for driving while license suspended, habitual offender; possession of liquor by person under 21 years of age, first offense; possession of drug equipment and/or use; and possession of marijuana, not more than 20 grams.

◆ Aaron Heath Harmon, 33, of Sebring, was charged on an out-of-county warrant.

◆ Ragnauth Latchman, 38, was charged for domestic violence or battery, touch or strike.

◆ Willie Jerome Sanders, 38, of Lake Placid, was charged with possession of marijuana, not more than 20 grams; and possession of narcotic equipment and/or use.

◆ Donald Craig Strange, 16, of Avon Park, was charged with violation of conditional release.

◆ Ronald Williams, 36, of Sebring, was charged with domestic violence or cruelty toward child, infliction of physical or mental damage.

The following people were booked into the Highlands County Jail on Friday, July 29:

◆ Marcellous Douglas Bryant, 52, of Lake Placid,

was charged with selling cocaine within 1,000 feet of church; and possession of cocaine with intent to sell or distribute within 1,000 feet of a church.

◆ Robert Lee Daniels, 31, of Lake Placid, was charged resisting officer with violence; battery on officer or firefighter; assault on law enforcement officer; and battery.

◆ Dustin Lee Davidson, 29, of Palm Bay, was charged for withholding support, non-support of children or spouse.

◆ Kenneth Jamal Deveaux, 29, of Lake Placid, was charged with possession of cocaine with intent to sell, manufacture or deliver etc.; homicide, murder, dangerous, depraved behavior, accessory after the fact; and possession of weapon or ammo by convicted Florida felon.

◆ Frederic Ivan Eison, 56, of Babson Park, was charged with petit theft.

◆ Michael A.J. Gonzalez, 22, of Avon Park, was charged with carrying a concealed weapon.

◆ Logan Allen Kunz, 30, of Sebring, was charged with driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs and damaging property; and resisting officer, obstruction without violence.

◆ Luis Miguel Medina, 21, of Sebring, was charged for hit and run, failing to stop, remain at crash involving damage; and operating motor vehicle without valid driver license.

◆ Tracy Denise Moses, 46, of Avon Park, was charged for knowingly driving while license suspended or revoked, second offense.

◆ Jeffery Scott Peacock, 47, of Sebring, was charged for robbery, no firearm or weapon.

◆ Evagelos K. Rallis, 50, of Sebring, was detained for a municipal ordinance violation.

◆ Victor Reyes-Hernandez, 19, of Lake Placid, was charged with driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

◆ Demetrick Dion Williams, 32, of Sarasota, was charged for contempt of court for non-payment of child support.

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

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ages from kindergarten through eighth grade. Participants will learn about children from five other nations and learn crafts and tasting authentic foods from those countries.

Crossroads Fellowship is at 605 State Road 66. Call Janet Allwood (655-0212 or 446-6646) to fill out the forms over the phone for you.

Historical Society plans open house

LAKE PLACID — The Lake Placid Historical Society will host an open house today at the Depot Museum following a meeting of the Lake Placid Merchants Association. The open house will be from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. See newly discovered historical photographs of the area. Meet the volunteers and join the organization.

Nominations being accepted for 50-year residents of Lake Placid as Pioneer Man or Woman for 2012, which is also the 85th birthday of our town. This is an annual program of the Historical Society.

Local residents who would like to sign up for the Melvil Dewey Contest can call or come by purchase a custom made mug of the Historical Society or a new Kazoo. Call 465-1771. Watch for

news about the Caladium Festival.

Writer's group will host local author

SEBRING — The Florida Writer's Association group, Sebring Scribblers and Scribes, will hold its monthly meeting at the Sebring Beef O' Brady's, 2940 U.S. 27, at 7 p.m. today. The group meets the first Wednesday of each month. Come earlier to have dinner.

The guest speaker will be Millie Richmond, who is recently retired from teaching locally. She will introduce her new book, "Hildy," a light-hearted children's story about a young girl's hearing impairment.

Richmond will also discuss her next book and her publishing experiences with a book signing to follow.

The public is invited and membership in FWA is encouraged but not required. For more information, call Barbara Beswick at (954) 257-5652.

Genealogical Society meets Thursday

SEBRING — The Highlands County Genealogical Society will meet at 2 p.m. Thursday at the Downtown Chamber of Commerce Office on the Circle (the building with the blue awning).

Debt-limit bill passes Senate

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Senate emphatically passed emergency legislation Tuesday to avoid a first-ever government default, rushing the legislation to President Barack Obama for his signature just hours before the deadline. The vote was 74-26.

Tuesday's vote capped an extraordinarily difficult Washington battle pitting tea party Republican forces in the House against Obama and Democrats controlling the Senate. The resulting compromise paired an essential increase in the government's borrowing cap with promises of more than \$2 trillion of budget cuts over the next decade.

Much of the measure, which the House passed Monday night, was negotiated on terms set by House Speaker John Boehner, including a demand that any increase in the nation's borrowing cap be matched by spending cuts. But the legis-

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MITH McCONNELL
Senate GOP leader

lation also meets demands made by Obama, including debt-limit increases large enough to keep the government funded into 2013 and curbs on growth of the Pentagon budget.

"We've had to settle for less than we wanted, but what we've achieved is in no way insignificant," said Senate GOP leader Mitch McConnell of Kentucky. "But I think it was the view of those in my party that we'd try to get as much spending cuts as we could from a government we didn't control. And that's what

we've done with this bipartisan agreement."

Many supporters of the legislation lamented what they saw as flaws and the intense partisanship from which it was forged. In the end, it was a lowest-common-denominators approach that puts off tough decisions on tax increases and cuts to entitlement programs like Medicare.

"What troubles me about it is that the bipartisan compromise also represents a kind of bipartisan agreement by each party to yield to the other party's most politically and ideologically sensitive priority," said Joseph Lieberman, I Conn. "In the case of Democrats, it's to protect entitlement spending. ... In the case of Republicans, it's to not raise taxes."

The measure would provide an immediate \$400 billion increase in the \$14.3 trillion U.S. borrowing cap, with \$500 billion more assured this fall.

OBITUARIES

JOSEPH DE RENZIS

Joseph DeRenzis, 80, passed away at Highlands

Regional Medical Center in Sebring, Fla., surrounded by his family, on Aug. 1, 2011. Joe was born in White Plains, N.Y., on July 8, 1931, to the late Frank and Laura DeRenzis. He served in the U.S. Navy during the Korean War from 1951-1955, after which he worked as a licensed electrician for 37 years for Local No. 3 in New York. In 1959, Joe married the love of his life, Catherine "Kay" Sullivan, of Nova Scotia, Canada, and spent many summers vacationing there with his family. He loved playing the piano, reading and spending time with his grandchildren, who he was so proud of. He was a member of St. Catherine



DeRenzis

Catholic Church in Sebring and a member of Elks Lodge No. 1529 in Sebring.

He is survived by his wife, Kay; son, Joseph Jr. (Vicki); and grandchildren, Amanda and Thomas, all of Sebring; sister, Frances (Charles) Russo, White Plains, N.Y.; nieces, Theresa and Donna; and many relatives in Canada.

The family will receive friends and relatives from 5-7 p.m., with a Rosary Service at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 3, 2011, at Stephenson-Nelson Funeral Home in Sebring. A Funeral Mass will take place at 9:30 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 4, 2011, at St. Catherine Catholic Church, Sebring, with the Very Reverend Jose Gonzalez officiating. Family flowers only. Donations may be made to the charity of choice. Arrangements have been entrusted to:

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Teen ordered to create memorial for Ga. toddler

Associated Press

JONESBORO, Ga. — A judge has ordered an unusual punishment for a teen charged in the death of a toddler left in a hot van outside a Georgia day care center.

The 16-year-old who pleaded guilty Monday to involuntary manslaughter and reckless conduct must create some kind of memo-

rial to 2-year-old Jazmin Green.

The Atlanta Journal-Constitution reports that Jazmin's mother, April McAlister, says it made her feel good for the judge to order someone to make a memorial for her baby.

The teen worked at the day care and is not being named because she is a juvenile.

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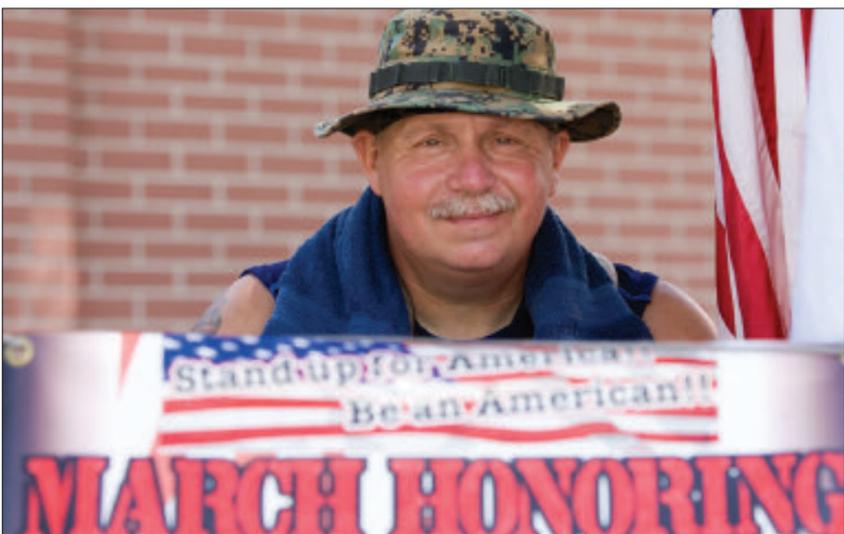
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53-year-old Marine veteran, Lance Robinson, takes a break from his long walk through Highlands County. Robinson is walking to show support of veterans and active military members and hopes to create a new holiday to show appreciation of those who serve the country and the communities.

Former Marine on a long walk

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over the weekend.

"I started in Gainesville then I went to Flagler Island then Palm Bay," Robinson said.

Robinson said he then took a 30-day break due to some health concerns before starting his journey again.

Robinson has set no time frame for himself to complete his goal of walking through each state, but he does plan to finish it as well as speak to lawmakers along the way.

"I'm trying to get a proclamation. I spoke to Gov. (Rick) Scott, but he shot me down," said Robinson.

As Robinson made his way through Highlands County this weekend, he stopped at the American Legion Post in Lake Placid for a brief period to rest and speak to other veterans and supporters.

Robinson traveled to Lake Placid City Hall with residents in an attempt to

get a proclamation signed on Friday before he headed back north on U.S. 27.

Robinson pulls a heavy cart behind him filled with supplies and a camping tent everywhere he goes.

Flags for each of the branches of the military fly next to him as he walks along the highway. The U.S. flag Robinson stated represents the other men and women in uniform— police officer, fire fighters, and EMT's.

"On a good day I get about 25 miles done. I get about 2 miles an hour. If it's a really hot day, who knows? My days start at 4 a.m. and I go all day and take breaks here and there. I try to find shelter. Sometimes the last hotel or motel I rest in will call another one and let them know I'm coming. I don't have any sponsorships; I'm doing this alone and with the help of the people I meet along the way," Robinson said.

Robinson said the jour-

ney was a divine assignment from God and that he placed it on his heart to go on this mission.

"I'm not out here trying to take away from Veteran's Day or Memorial Day and I'm not trying to make any money off of this. I started this mission with \$40. People's donations keep me alive," Robinson said.

Robinson plans to be done with the last 600 mile stretch of his Florida walk by late next week. After finishing up in Florida, Robinson plans to return home to Pennsylvania, regroup and visit his wife.

"It's like I'm deployed. My wife is at home holding down the fort," Robinson said.

From Pennsylvania, Robinson plans to walk to Columbus, Ohio. Robinson hopes to make the 200-mile trip within a couple days.

For more information on Robinson's journey, visit www.brothertobrotherday.wbs.com/.

Possible Columbia shuttle item found in Texas lake

Associated Press

NACOGDOCHES, Texas — Authorities say a piece of the space shuttle Columbia may have been found in a drought-stricken Texas lake.

The shuttle broke apart and burned in February 2003, killing seven people and scattering shuttle pieces across East Texas.

Nacogdoches police on Monday announced that an item described as about 4 feet in diameter and "full of mud" was recovered from a lake that had seen its water levels drop because of the drought.

Sgt. Greg Sowell says the lower water level has exposed a larger than normal area on the north side of Lake Nacogdoches. Sowell says a large, round object became visible.

Federation defends sales tax holiday

TALLAHASSEE — The Florida Retail Federation is defending the state's sales tax "holiday" on back-to-school purchases against criticism from a conservative think tank. Retail Federation CEO

Rick McAllister on Tuesday disputed The Tax Foundation's arguments.

The Washington, D.C.-based foundation says such temporary tax breaks do little stimulate the economy or benefit consumers.

Florida is lifting the state's 6 percent sales tax as well as local taxes on certain clothing and school supplies for three days — Aug. 12 through 14.

The foundation contends consumers don't spend more — they just change the timing of their purchases.

Teens jailed after shooting incident

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In his pocket, deputies said they found a .380 caliber pistol and a pill bottle containing what deputies identified as 12 pieces of crack cocaine.

Deputies say the gun in his pocket was the same one used to shoot at the victim.

Legree was charged with attempted first degree murder and Callahan was charged

with aggravated assault with a deadly weapon without intent to kill and resisting an officer without violence. Both juveniles were transported to the detention center in Bartow.

Legree was booked for being an accessory after the fact to the attempted murder, possession of a weapon by a convicted felon and possession of cocaine with intent to sell. He is being held on \$100,000 bond.

Asphalt from county plant to be sold to area municipalities

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ice was part of the formula that was projected on each project.

"The pricing is based on a formula calculated by our Road and Bridge Department and we use the internal auditor from the Clerk of Courts to validate the costs," Helms said.

At a meeting in September of 2010, Road and Bridge Supervisor Kyle Green stated that his department was paying an estimated \$72.14 per

ton, and that includes all the expenses, including the fuel, materials and insurance at the plant.

Green also assured the commission at that previous meeting that the plant was producing more than anticipated because of increased efficiencies.

The amount that can be produced is restricted by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, and Helms assured the board that the current production was way below the maximum

allowed.

Green took over supervision of the plant in April of 2010 after citizen complaints about the money the plant was losing.

The plant was plagued by equipment outages, financial miscalculations, fluctuating materials costs and fuel costs.

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Americans cut spending for first time in 20 months

By MARTIN CRUTSINGER
AP Economics Writer
WASHINGTON

Americans cut back on their spending in June for the first time in nearly two years and their incomes grew by the smallest amount in nine months, a troubling sign for an economy that is barely growing.

Consumer spending dropped 0.2 percent in June, the Commerce Department said Tuesday. Some of the decline was caused by declining food and energy prices, which had spiked in recent months. When excluding spending on those items, consumer spending was flat.

Incomes rose 0.1 percent, the weakest growth since September. Many people are responding by saving more. The personal savings rate rose to 5.4 percent of after-tax incomes, the highest level since August 2010.

The data confirmed last week's report that showed the economy expanded at a tepid annual rate of 1.3 percent in the spring after only 0.4 percent growth in the first three months of the year. But it also highlighted that consumer spending weakened during the April-June quarter, which could mean the sluggish economy is worsening.

Stock futures were trading lower after the report was released.

"The recent run of weak economic news has made us more concerned that any

rebound will be more modest than previously looked likely," said Paul Dales, senior U.S. economist at Capital Economics.

High gas prices and unemployment have squeezed household budgets this spring. Many Americans are cutting back on purchases of cars, furniture, appliances and electronics. Consumer spending is closely watched because it accounts for 70 percent of economic activity.

Employers have responded by reducing hiring. The economy added just 18,000 net jobs in June, the fewest in nine months. The unemployment rate rose to 9.2 percent, the highest level this year.

The government issues its July employment report on Friday.

The biggest drop in spending occurred in such items as food and gasoline. Spending on such non-durable goods fell 5.5 percent, reflecting the price declines after spikes early this year. An inflation gauge tied to consumer spending dropped 0.2 percent in June, the biggest one-month decline since September 2009. Outside of food and energy, prices were up 0.1 percent.

Still, spending on durable goods, such as autos, also fell in June 1.1 percent. One reason for the decline may be the shortage of popular car models in showrooms. Supply chain disruptions caused by the March earth-

quake in Japan have limited production of auto and electronic parts.

Many analysts are still hopeful that growth will rebound in the second half of the year. They expect auto production and sales to pick up once supply chain disruptions ease.

But the turnaround may not come for a while. Manufacturers had their weakest growth in two years in July, according to the Institute for Supply Management.

The private trade group of purchasing executives said that its index of manufacturing activity fell to 50.9 percent in July from 55.3 percent in June. The reading was the lowest since July 2009 — one month after the recession officially ended.

And gas prices remain high, even after coming down from their peak of nearly \$4 a gallon in early May. The average price for a gallon was \$3.70 on Tuesday — 14 cents higher than a month ago and almost a dollar more than the same month last year.

Some economists have begun to trim their forecasts for the second half of the year. Dales and his colleagues at Capital Economics have cut their outlook for second half growth to 2 percent, down from a previous forecast of 2.5 percent growth in the second half of this year.

Oil falls to near \$94 a barrel as US economy weakens

By PABLO GORONDI
Associated Press

Oil prices fell to near \$94 a barrel Tuesday in Europe as worries over the state of the U.S. economy overshadowed a deal to raise the U.S. debt ceiling, a move that avoids the risk of a debt default.

By early afternoon in Europe, benchmark oil for September delivery was down 80 cents at \$94.09 a barrel in electronic trading on the New York Mercantile Exchange. Crude fell 81 cents to settle at \$94.89 on Monday.

In London, Brent crude was down 45 cents at \$116.36 a barrel on the ICE Futures exchange.

"The threat of U.S. insolvency would appear to have been averted, but the worry now is the country's economy," said analysts at Commerzbank in Frankfurt.

A jump in the oil price Monday — sparked by an agreement to raise the U.S. debt limit and cut spending — fizzled as traders focused in on a particularly weak manufacturing survey. The Institute for Supply Management said manufacturing activity in the U.S. barely grew in July, stoking fears that the world's largest economy may be heading back to recession.

"The soft patch is getting patchier still," HSBC economist Frederic Neumann said. "The message from the U.S. and Europe is that the industrial sector has decelerated further."

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CAMERON HANOVER
U.S. energy consultant

The U.S. economy is already growing fairly slowly. Figures last week showed that it grew at an annualized 1.3 percent in the second quarter. First quarter growth was also revised down to 0.4 percent from 1.9 percent.

"After seeing the horrible GDP number and revision last week, there are a lot more concerns about where this economy is headed," energy analyst and trader Blue Ocean Brokerage said in a report.

Markets are also on the watch for the latest reports on U.S. stockpiles of crude and refined products.

Data for the week ending Oct. 1 is expected to show builds of 2 million barrels in crude oil stocks and a rise of 350,000 barrels in gasoline stocks, according to a survey of analysts by Platts, the energy information arm of McGraw-Hill Cos.

The American Petroleum Institute will release its report on oil stocks later Tuesday, while the report from the Energy Department's Energy Information Administration — the market benchmark — will be out on Wednesday.

"Traders will try to find solace in this week's DOE statistics, but they might not find any," U.S. energy consultant Cameron Hanover said in a report. "The picture is starting to become more bearish, with the economy looking quite weak."

In other Nymex trading, heating oil fell 1.48 cents to \$3.0826 a gallon while gasoline dropped 1.6 cents to \$3.0380 a gallon. Natural gas futures gained 1.3 cents at \$4.201 per 1,000 cubic feet.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION FILE NO. PC 11-302

IN RE: ESTATE OF GARY F. DUFOUR Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of GARY F. DUFOUR, deceased, whose date of death was June 23, 2011, and whose Social Security Number is 372-42-3030, is pending in the Circuit Court for Highlands County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 590 S. Commerce Avenue, Sebring, FL 33870. 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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ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN SECTION 733.702 OF THE FLORIDA PROBATE CODE WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

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 July 27, 2011.

Personal Representative:
 /s/ Clarissa Therese Dufour
 1240 CR 17 North
 Lake Placid, FL 33852
 Attorney for Personal Representative:
 /s/ Michael A. Rider
 Florida Bar Number: 175661
 13 N. Oak Avenue
 Lake Placid, FL 33852
 Telephone: (863)465-1111

July 27, August 3, 2011

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION FILE NO. PC 11-317

IN RE: ESTATE OF JOSEPH J. GLASS Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of JOSEPH J. GLASS, deceased, whose date of death was June 29, 2011, is pending in the Circuit Court of HIGHLANDS County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 590 S. Commerce Ave., Sebring, FL 33870. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

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The date of first publication of this Notice is August 3, 2011.

Personal Representative:
 /s/ Gail Askin
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 Attorney for Personal Representative:
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August 3, 10, 2011

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION FILE NO. PC 11-310

IN RE: ESTATE OF WILLIAM E. BRUNSON Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of WILLIAM E. BRUNSON, deceased, whose date of death was July 1, 2011, is pending in the Circuit Court for Highlands County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 590 S. Commerce Avenue, Sebring, FL 33870. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

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The date of first publication of this Notice is August 3, 2011.

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 /s/ Ernest W. Brunson
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August 3, 10, 2011

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NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Pursuant to a WRIT OF EXECUTION issued out of the Circuit Court of the Tenth Judicial Circuit In and For Highlands County, Florida, on the 19th day of July, 2011, in the cause wherein HIGHLANDS INDEPENDENT BANK, is Plaintiff, and BRIAN L. OGG, is Defendant, being Case No. 10-001314-GCS in the said Court, I, Susan Benton, Sheriff of Highlands County, Florida, have levied upon all of the Defendant, BRIAN L. OGG's, right, title and interest in and to the following described PERSONAL property in Highlands County, Florida, to-wit:

2004 DODGE RAM TRUCK
 MAROON/BURGANDY
 VIN # 1D7HU18D54S683916

and on the 30th day of August, 2011, at Duck's Body Shop, in the City of Sebring, Highlands County, Florida, at the hour of 11:00 a.m., or as soon thereafter as possible, I will offer for sale all of the said defendant, BRIAN L. OGG's, right, title and interest in aforesaid property at public outcry and will sell the same, subject to all prior liens, encumbrances and judgments, if any, to the highest and best bidder or bidders for CASH, the proceeds to be applied as far as may be to the payment of costs and the satisfaction of the above-described execution.

Dated this, July 25, 2011
 SUSAN BENTON, SHERIFF OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA
 By: /s/ Lt. J. Bailey Jr.
 Lt. Jack Bailey, Jr.
 DEPUTY SHERIFF

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons with disabilities needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact the agency sending this notice at 434 Fernleaf Ave., Sebring, FL 33870, Telephone 863/402-7228 not later than seven days prior to the proceeding. If hearing impaired, (TTD) 1-800-955-8771, or Voice (V) 1-800-955-8770, via Florida Relay Services.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION FILE NO. PC 11-304 Division

IN RE: ESTATE OF ROBERT M. RYAN Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of ROBERT M. RYAN, deceased, whose date of death was December 10, 2010, is pending in the Circuit Court for Highlands County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 590 S. Commerce Avenue, Sebring, FL 33870. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

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The date of first publication of this Notice is August 3, 2011.

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 /s/ Thomas Klyve
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August 3, 10, 2011

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PUBLIC AUCTION: AUGUST 19, 2011 AT: 9:00 AM

LOCATION: AVON TOWING: 1102 KERSEY ST. AVON PARK, FL 33825

YEAR MAKE VIN #
 1997 FORD 1FALP52U2VG279543
 August 3, 2011

PUBLIC NOTICE

Heartland Workforce has submitted an application to Workforce Florida, Inc., requesting renewal of its authorization to operate as direct service provider (Direct Control) for delivery of certain services in the DeSoto, Hardee, and Highlands county One-Stop Career Centers. The application is available for viewing on the Heartland Workforce website at: [HYPERLINK http://www.hwfb.org](http://www.hwfb.org) www.hwfb.org. Questions or comments on the application may be directed to pkazic@hwfb.org

August 3, 5, 7, 10, 12, 14, 2011

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE Notice is hereby given that on 8/19/11 the following vehicles will be sold for towing storage charges pursuant to F.S. 713.78
 1999 FORD UT 1FMPU18L4LA29190 1988 CHEV SV 1GNCT18Z1J81G1982 2001 KIA 4D KNAFBY12125054940 2005 DODGE PK 1D7H418N35300846 1989 FORD SUV 1FMCU14T3KUB97796
 All sales to be held at Alan Jay Automotive Network 411 US 27 N Sebring, FL 33870 863 402 4210

August 3, 2011

Notice of Public Sale, Notice is hereby given that on 08/26/2011 10:30 am. The following vehicles will be sold at public auction:
 The 1999 FORD 4D 1FAFP53U4X4140158 Will be sold at public auction pursuant to F.S. 713.585 to satisfy Towing, Storage & Labor Charges. The vehicle will be sold for \$1698.34 Sale will be held by Lienor, TIRES PLUS SEBRING 800 US Hwy 27 n Sebring, FL 33870 863 382 8000 Pursuant to F.S. 713.585 the cash sum amount of \$1698.34 would be sufficient to redeem the vehicle from the lienor. Any owner, lien holders, or interested parties have a right to a hearing prior to the sale by filing a demand with the Highlands County Clerk of Circuit Court for disposition. The owner has a right to recover possession of the vehicle prior to the sale, by posting a bond pursuant to F.S. 559.917, and if sold proceeds remaining from the sale will be deposited with the Clerk of the Circuit Court in Highlands County for disposition. Lienor reserves the right to bid.

August 3, 2011

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION FILE NO. PC 11-305

IN RE: ESTATE OF ELEANOR M. FERNER, Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of ELEANOR M. FERNER, deceased, whose date of death was January 4, 2011, and whose social security number 713-18-6929, is pending in the Circuit Court for Highlands County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 590 S. Commerce Avenue, Sebring, FL 33870. The names and addresses of the personal representatives 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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The date of first publication of this Notice is July 27, 2011.

Personal Representatives:
 /s/ Lorna M. Nitz
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 Plymouth, MI 48170
 /s/ Herbert W. Horrom
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 Auburn, IN 46706
 Attorney for Personal Representative:
 /s/ Robert E. Livingston
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NOTICE OF INTENDED AGENCY ACTION
 The South Florida Water Management District gives notice of its intent to issue a modification of existing Permit No 28-00102-W, (Application No.110418-7, dated April 18, 2011) to Blue Head Ranch, L.L.C. & Blue Head Farms, L.L.C., authorizing the converting 180 acres of existing citrus to blueberries and the addition of three proposed wells withdrawing from the upper Floridan Aquifer located in Highlands County, Sections 2-11, 14-22, 27-34, Township 37S, Range 28E; Sections 19-21, 27-34, Township 36S, Range 28E; Sections 1-12, Township 39S, Range 28E; Section 1-36, Township 38S, Range 28E; Sections 6, 7, 18, 19, 26-35, Township 38S, Range 29E; Sections 6 and 7, Township 39S, Range 29E.

The Staff Report setting forth the staff recommendation regarding the permit, including proposed limiting conditions to provide reasonable assurances that the project meets SFWMD statutes and rules, can be obtained by contacting the Regulatory Records Management Section, during normal business hours, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except legal holidays, at 3301 Gun Club Road, West Palm Beach, FL 33406, Water Resource Regulation Department, by telephone at 682-6911, or e-mail at permits@sfwmd.gov, or by accessing the Staff Report directly from the District's website (www.sfwmd.gov) using the Application/Permit Search on the ePermitting page.

The District's proposed agency action as set forth in the Staff Report shall become final unless a timely petition for an administrative hearing is filed under Sections 120.569 and 120.57 of the Florida Statutes before the deadline for filing a petition.

As required by Sections 120.569(1), and 120.60(3), Fla. Stat., following is notice of the opportunities which may be available for administrative hearing or judicial review when the substantial interests of a party are determined by an agency. Please note that this Notice of Rights is not intended to provide legal advice. Not all the legal proceedings detailed below may be an applicable or appropriate remedy. You may wish to consult your attorney regarding your legal rights.

A person whose substantial interests are or may be affected by the South Florida Water Management District's (SFWMD or District) action has the right to request an administrative hearing on that action pursuant to Sections 120.569 and 120.57, Fla. Stat. Persons seeking a hearing on a District decision which does or may determine their substantial interests shall file a petition for hearing with the District Clerk within 21 days of receipt of written notice of the decision, unless one of the following shorter time periods apply: 1) within 14 days of the notice of consolidated intent to grant or deny concurrently reviewed applications for environmental resource permits and use of sovereign submerged lands pursuant to Section 373.427, Fla. Stat.; or 2) within 14 days of service of an Administrative Order pursuant to Subsection 373.119(1), Fla. Stat. "Receipt of written notice of agency decision" means receipt of either written notice through mail, or electronic mail, or posting that the District has or intends to take final agency action, or publication of notice that the District has or intends to take final agency action. Any person who receives written notice of a SFWMD decision and fails to file a written request for hearing within the timeframe described above waives the right to request a hearing on that decision.

Filing Instructions
 The Petition must be filed with the Office of the District Clerk of the SFWMD. Filings with the District Clerk may be made by mail, hand-delivery or facsimile. Filings by e-mail will not be accepted. Any person wishing to receive a clerked copy with the date and time stamped must provide an additional copy. A petition for administrative hearing is deemed filed upon receipt during normal business hours by the District Clerk at SFWMD headquarters in West Palm Beach, Florida. Any document received by the office of the SFWMD Clerk after 5:00 p.m. shall be filed as of 8:00 a.m. on the next regular business day. Additional filing instructions are as follows:

- Filings by mail must be addressed to the Office of the SFWMD Clerk, P.O. Box 24680, West Palm Beach, Florida 33416.
- Filings by hand-delivery must be delivered to the Office of the SFWMD Clerk. Delivery of a petition to the SFWMD's security desk does not constitute filing. To ensure proper filing, it will be necessary to request the SFWMD's security officer to contact the Clerk's office. An employee of the SFWMD's Clerk's office will receive and file the petition.
- Filings by facsimile must be transmitted to the SFWMD Clerk's Office at (661) 682-6010. Pursuant to Subsections 28-106.104(7), (8) and (9), Fla. Admin. Code, a party who files a document by facsimile represents that the original physically signed document will be retained by that party for the duration of that proceeding and of any subsequent appeal or subsequent proceeding in that cause. Any party who elects to file any document by facsimile shall be responsible for any delay, disruption, or interruption of the electronic signals and accepts the full risk that the document may not be properly filed with the clerk as a result. The filing date for a document filed by facsimile shall be the date the SFWMD Clerk receives the complete document.

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Initiation of an Administrative Hearing

Pursuant to Rules 28-106.201 and 28-106.301, Fla. Admin. Code, initiation of an administrative hearing shall be made by written petition to the SFWMD in legible form and on 8 and 1/2 by 11 inch white paper. All petitions shall contain:

- Identification of the action being contested, including the permit number, application number, District file number or any other SFWMD identification number, if known.
- The name, address and telephone number of the petitioner and petitioner's representative, if any.
- An explanation of how the petitioner's substantial interests will be affected by the agency determination.
- A statement of when and how the petitioner received notice of the SFWMD's decision.
- A statement of all disputed issues of material fact. If there are none, the petition must so indicate.
- A concise statement of the ultimate facts alleged, including the specific facts the petitioner contends warrant reversal or modification of the SFWMD's proposed action.
- A statement of the specific rules or statutes the petitioner contends require reversal or modification of the SFWMD's proposed action.
- If disputed issues of material fact exist, the statement must also include an explanation of how the alleged facts relate to the specific rules or statutes.
- A statement of the relief sought by the petitioner, stating precisely the action the petitioner wishes the SFWMD to take with respect to the SFWMD's proposed action.

A person may file a request for an extension of time for filing a petition. The SFWMD may, for good cause, grant the request. Requests for extension of time must be filed with the SFWMD prior to the deadline for filing a petition for hearing. Such requests for extension shall contain a certificate that the moving party has consulted with all other parties concerning the extension and that the SFWMD and any other parties agree to or oppose the extension. A timely request for extension of time shall toll the running of the time period for filing a petition until the request is acted upon.

If the District takes action with substantially different impacts on water resources from the notice of intended agency decision, the persons who may be substantially affected shall have an additional point of entry pursuant to Rule 28-106.111, Fla. Admin. Code, unless otherwise provided by law.

Mediation
 The procedures for pursuing mediation are set forth in Section 120.573, Fla. Stat., and Rules 28-106.111 and 28-106.401-405, Fla. Admin. Code. The SFWMD is not proposing mediation for this agency action under Section 120.573, Fla. Stat., at this time.

RIGHT TO SEEK JUDICIAL REVIEW
 Pursuant to Sections 120.60(3) and 120.68, Fla. Stat., a party who is adversely affected by final SFWMD action may seek judicial review of the SFWMD's final decision by filing a notice of appeal pursuant to Florida Rule of Appellate Procedure 9.110 in the Fourth District Court of Appeal or in the appellate district where a party resides and filing a second copy of the notice with the SFWMD Clerk within 30 days of rendering of the final SFWMD action.

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED 1100007010S CHAPTER 197.512 F.S.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that WILLIAM K. BRANTLEY II the holder of the following certificates has filed said certificates for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate No.: 07/12586
 Year of Issuance: May-31-2008
 Tax ID: C-22-37-30-250-3230-0250
 Description of Property:
 LOT 25 BLOCK 323 SUN N LAKE ESTATES SECTION 25 ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 9, PAGE 29, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.
 Name in which assessed:
 LEONARDO DE LA ROSA; MARIA A DE LA ROSA;
 All of said property being in the County of Highlands, State of Florida. Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at Highlands County Government Center in the Board of County Commissioners Boardroom in accordance with Chapter 45, Florida Statutes at 10:00 A.M., or thereafter on 31st day of August, 2011.
 Dated this 12th day of July, 2011.
 ROBERT W. GERMAINE
 Clerk of the Circuit Court of Highlands County, Florida
 Signature: /s/ Sandy Parker
 SANDY PARKER, Deputy Clerk
 July 27; August 3, 10, 17, 2011

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED 11000138TDS CHAPTER 197.512 F.S. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that HAVERILL MANAGEMENT LLC the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificates for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows: Certificate No.: 943 Year of Issuance: 05-31-2008 Tax ID: A-23-33-28-210-00A0-0050 Description of Property: LOTS 5, 6, & 7, BLOCK A, ORANGE CREST SUBDIVISION, AS RECORDED IN THE PLAT THEREOF IN PLAT BOOK 2 PAGE 35 AND RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3 PAGE 69 IN THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA. Name in which assessed: PRODIGY ENTERPRISES LLC; All of said property being in the County of Highlands, State of Florida. Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at Highlands County Government Center in the Board of County Commissioners Boardroom in accordance with Chapter 45, Florida Statutes at 10:00 A.M., or thereafter on 7th day of September, 2011. Dated this 20th day of July, 2011. ROBERT W. GERMAINE Clerk of the Circuit Court of Highlands County, Florida Signature: /s/ Misty Blackburn MISTY BLACKBURN, Deputy Clerk August 3, 10, 17, 24, 2011

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED 11000091TDS CHAPTER 197.512 F.S. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that EVMAR I LLC, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificates for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows: Certificate No.: 1132 Year of Issuance: May-31-2008 Tax ID: C-22-33-28-140-0020-0030 Description of Property: LOT 3 BLOCK 2 TULANE PARK SUB ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 9, PAGE 36 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA. Name in which assessed: MONICA SHANNON; All of said property being in the County of Highlands, State of Florida. Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at Highlands County Government Center in the Board of County Commissioners Boardroom in accordance with Chapter 45, Florida Statutes at 10:00 A.M., or thereafter on 31st day of August, 2011. Dated this 19th day of July, 2011. ROBERT W. GERMAINE Clerk of the Circuit Court of Highlands County, Florida Signature: /s/ Sandy Parker SANDY PARKER, Deputy Clerk July 27; August 3, 10, 17, 2011

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED 11000092TDS CHAPTER 197.512 F.S. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that EVMAR I LLC, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificates for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows: Certificate No.: 1170 Year of Issuance: May-31-2008 Tax ID: C-29-33-28-020-0730-0040 Description of Property: LOTS 4 - 5 AND 6 BLOCK 73, SECTION B OF OAK RIDGE SUB ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 1, PAGE 107 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA. Name in which assessed: DONOVAN CAMERON; DELSIE DUMERVIL; All of said property being in the County of Highlands, State of Florida. Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at Highlands County Government Center in the Board of County Commissioners Boardroom in accordance with Chapter 45, Florida Statutes at 10:00 A.M., or thereafter on 31st day of August, 2011. Dated this 21st day of July, 2011. ROBERT W. GERMAINE Clerk of the Circuit Court of Highlands County, Florida Signature: /s/ Sandy Parker SANDY PARKER, Deputy Clerk July 27; August 3, 10, 17, 2011

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED 11000093TDS CHAPTER 197.512 F.S. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that EVMAR I LLC, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificates for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows: Certificate No.: 1171 Year of Issuance: May-31-2008 Tax ID: C-29-33-28-020-0730-0220 Description of Property: LOTS 22 - 23 AND 24 BLOCK 73, SECTION B OAK RIDGE SUB ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 1, PAGE 107 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA. Name in which assessed: DONOVAN CAMERON; DELSIE DUMERVIL; All of said property being in the County of Highlands, State of Florida. Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at Highlands County Government Center in the Board of County Commissioners Boardroom in accordance with Chapter 45, Florida Statutes at 10:00 A.M., or thereafter on 31st day of August, 2011. Dated this 14th day of July, 2011. ROBERT W. GERMAINE Clerk of the Circuit Court of Highlands County, Florida Signature: /s/ Sandy Parker SANDY PARKER, Deputy Clerk July 27; August 3, 10, 17, 2011

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED 11000119TDS CHAPTER 197.512 F.S. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that PPTS I LLC, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificates for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows: Certificate No.: 8048 Year of Issuance: May-22-2009 Tax ID: C-27-34-29-A00-0021-0000 Description of Property: THE N 1650 FT OF THE WEST 660 FEET OF SECTION 27 LESS A 1 ACRE TRACT, MORE FULLY DESCRIBED IN OR BOOK 668 PAGE 846 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA. Name in which assessed: RUBIN EARL ANCRUM; BLANCHIE ANCRUM; All of said property being in the County of Highlands, State of Florida. Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at Highlands County Government Center in the Board of County Commissioners Boardroom in accordance with Chapter 45, Florida Statutes at 10:00 A.M., or thereafter on 31st day of August, 2011. Dated this 19th day of July, 2011. ROBERT W. GERMAINE Clerk of the Circuit Court of Highlands County, Florida Signature: /s/ Sandy Parker SANDY PARKER, Deputy Clerk July 27; August 3, 10, 17, 2011

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED 11000073TDS CHAPTER 197.512 F.S. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that WILLIAM K. BRANTLEY II, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificates for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows: Certificate No.: 12596 Year of Issuance: May-31-2008 Tax ID: C-22-37-30-250-3290-0110 Description of Property: LOT 11 BLOCK 329 SUN N LAKES ESTATES SECTION 25 ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 9, PAGE 29 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA. Name in which assessed: NYLSA I. RIOS-CARMONA; GUSTAVO F. GRANA RIOS; NYLSA I. RIOS-CARMONA; GUSTAVO F. GRANA RIOS; All of said property being in the County of Highlands, State of Florida. Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at Highlands County Government Center in the Board of County Commissioners Boardroom in accordance with Chapter 45, Florida Statutes at 10:00 A.M., or thereafter on 31st day of August, 2011. Dated this 21st day of July, 2011. ROBERT W. GERMAINE Clerk of the Circuit Court of Highlands County, Florida Signature: /s/ Sandy Parker SANDY PARKER, Deputy Clerk July 27; August 3, 10, 17, 2011

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION
FOR TAX DEED 11000085TDS
CHAPTER 197.512 F.S.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that WILLIAM K. BRANTLEY II, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificates for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate No.: 12614
Year of Issuance: May-31-2008
Tax ID: C-22-37-30-250-3350-0030

Description of Property:
LOT 3 BLOCK 335 SUN N LAKES ESTATES SECTION 25 ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 9, PAGE 29 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.

Name in which assessed:
MARGARITA COLEMAN;

All of said property being in the County of Highlands, State of Florida. Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at Highlands County Government Center in the Board of County Commissioners Boardroom in accordance with Chapter 45, Florida Statutes at 10:00 A.M., or thereafter on 31st day of August, 2011.

Dated this 14th day of July, 2011.

ROBERT W. GERMAINE
Clerk of the Circuit Court of Highlands County, Florida
Signature: /s/ Sandy Parker
SANDY PARKER, Deputy Clerk

July 27; August 3, 10, 17, 2011

NOTICE OF APPLICATION
FOR TAX DEED 11000094TDS
CHAPTER 197.512 F.S.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that EVMAR I LLC, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificates for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate No.: 1273
Year of Issuance: May-31-2008
Tax ID: C-04-34-28-060-0650-0060

Description of Property:
LOT 6 BLOCK 65 SUN N LAKE ESTATES OF SEBRING UNIT 6 ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 9, PAGE 52, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.

Name in which assessed:
NORMAN LUTWAK

All of said property being in the County of Highlands, State of Florida. Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at Highlands County Government Center in the Board of County Commissioners Boardroom in accordance with Chapter 45, Florida Statutes at 10:00 A.M., or thereafter on 31st day of August, 2011.

Dated this 14th day of July, 2011.

ROBERT W. GERMAINE
Clerk of the Circuit Court of Highlands County, Florida
Signature: /s/ Sandy Parker
SANDY PARKER, Deputy Clerk

July 27; August 3, 10, 17, 2011

NOTICE OF APPLICATION
FOR TAX DEED 11000095TDS
CHAPTER 197.512 F.S.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that EVMAR I LLC, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificates for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate No.: 1274
Year of Issuance: May-31-2008
Tax ID: C-04-34-28-060-0650-0070

Description of Property:
LOTS 7 BLOCK 65, SUN N LAKE ESTATES OF SEBRING UNIT 6 ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 9, PAGE 52 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.

Name in which assessed:
NORMAN LUTWAK

All of said property being in the County of Highlands, State of Florida. Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at Highlands County Government Center in the Board of County Commissioners Boardroom in accordance with Chapter 45, Florida Statutes at 10:00 A.M., or thereafter on 31st day of August, 2011.

Dated this 14th day of July, 2011.

ROBERT W. GERMAINE
Clerk of the Circuit Court of Highlands County, Florida
Signature: /s/ Sandy Parker
SANDY PARKER, Deputy Clerk

July 27; August 3, 10, 17, 2011

NOTICE OF APPLICATION
FOR TAX DEED 11000115TDS
CHAPTER 197.512 F.S.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that PPTS I LLC, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificates for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate No.: 16113
Year of Issuance: May-22-2009
Tax ID: C-04-34-28-130-2510-0010

Description of Property:
LOT 1 BLOCK 251 SUN N LAKE OF SEBRING UNIT 13 ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 9, PAGE 71, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.

Name in which assessed:
DIMITRIOS LINARDATOS

All of said property being in the County of Highlands, State of Florida. Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at Highlands County Government Center in the Board of County Commissioners Boardroom in accordance with Chapter 45, Florida Statutes at 10:00 A.M., or thereafter on 31st day of August, 2011.

Dated this 19th day of July, 2011.

ROBERT W. GERMAINE
Clerk of the Circuit Court of Highlands County, Florida
Signature: /s/ Sandy Parker
SANDY PARKER, Deputy Clerk

July 27; August 3, 10, 17, 2011

NOTICE OF APPLICATION
FOR TAX DEED 11000116TDS
CHAPTER 197.512 F.S.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that PPTS I LLC, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificates for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate No.: 6113
Year of Issuance: May-22-2009
Tax ID: C-04-34-28-130-2510-0010

Description of Property:
LOT 11 BLOCK 251 SUN N LAKE OF SEBRING, UNIT 13 ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 9, PAGE 71, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.

Name in which assessed:
DIMITRIOS LINARDATOS

All of said property being in the County of Highlands, State of Florida. Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at Highlands County Government Center in the Board of County Commissioners Boardroom in accordance with Chapter 45, Florida Statutes at 10:00 A.M., or thereafter on 31st day of August, 2011.

Dated this 19th day of July, 2011.

ROBERT W. GERMAINE
Clerk of the Circuit Court of Highlands County, Florida
Signature: /s/ Sandy Parker
SANDY PARKER, Deputy Clerk

July 27; August 3, 10, 17, 2011

NOTICE OF APPLICATION
FOR TAX DEED 11000116TDS
CHAPTER 197.512 F.S.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that PPTS I LLC, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificates for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate No.: 6128
Year of Issuance: May-22-2009
Tax ID: C-04-34-28-130-2610-0070

Description of Property:
LOT 7 BLOCK 261 SUN N LAKE OF SEBRING UNIT 13 ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 9, PAGE 71, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.

Name in which assessed:
JOEL F. WALKUP; PATRICIA A. WALKUP;

All of said property being in the County of Highlands, State of Florida. Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at Highlands County Government Center in the Board of County Commissioners Boardroom in accordance with Chapter 45, Florida Statutes at 10:00 A.M., or thereafter on 31st day of August, 2011.

Dated this 19th day of July, 2011.

ROBERT W. GERMAINE
Clerk of the Circuit Court of Highlands County, Florida
Signature: /s/ Sandy Parker
SANDY PARKER, Deputy Clerk

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION
FOR TAX DEED 11000117TDS
CHAPTER 197.512 F.S.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that PPTS I LLC, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificates for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate No.: 7629
Year of Issuance: May-22-2009
Tax ID: C-34-34-28-022-0000-1120

Description of Property:
LOT 112 GOLF HAMMOCK UNIT 3 ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 14, PAGE 10, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.

Name in which assessed:
KIMBERLEE L. GREENE DION;

All of said property being in the County of Highlands, State of Florida. Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at Highlands County Government Center in the Board of County Commissioners Boardroom in accordance with Chapter 45, Florida Statutes at 10:00 A.M., or thereafter on 31st day of August, 2011.

Dated this 19th day of July, 2011.

ROBERT W. GERMAINE
Clerk of the Circuit Court of Highlands County, Florida
Signature: /s/ Sandy Parker
SANDY PARKER, Deputy Clerk

July 27; August 3, 10, 17, 2011

NOTICE OF APPLICATION
FOR TAX DEED 11000090TDS
CHAPTER 197.512 F.S.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that EVMAR I LLC, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificates for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate No.: 767
Year of Issuance: May-31-2008
Tax ID: C-19-33-28-080-0120-0050

Description of Property:
LOTS 5 AND 10 BLOCK 12 AVON PARK ESTATES UNIT III ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 10, PAGE 43, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.

Name in which assessed:
THOMAS D. AST; TRUDY L. AST;

All of said property being in the County of Highlands, State of Florida. Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at Highlands County Government Center in the Board of County Commissioners Boardroom in accordance with Chapter 45, Florida Statutes at 10:00 A.M., or thereafter on 31st day of August, 2011.

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July 27; August 3, 10, 17, 2011

NOTICE OF APPLICATION
FOR TAX DEED 11000118TDS
CHAPTER 197.512 F.S.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that PPTS I LLC, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificates for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate No.: 799
Year of Issuance: May-22-2009
Tax ID: A-22-33-28-010-0190-0030

Description of Property:
LOT 3 BLOCK 19 TOWN OF AVON PARK, SUNNY RIDGE MOBILE HOME PARK, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 1, PAGE 58, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF DESOTO COUNTY (OF WHICH HIGHLANDS COUNTY WAS FORMERLY A PART) FLORIDA.

Name in which assessed:
FREEDOM LAND TRUST LLC;

All of said property being in the County of Highlands, State of Florida. Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at Highlands County Government Center in the Board of County Commissioners Boardroom in accordance with Chapter 45, Florida Statutes at 10:00 A.M., or thereafter on 31st day of August, 2011.

Dated this 21st day of July, 2011.

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Certificate No.: 8048
Year of Issuance: May-22-2009
Tax ID: C-27-34-29-400-0021-0000

Description of Property:
THE N 1650 FT OF THE WEST 660 FEET OF SECTION 27 LESS A 1 ACRE TRACT, MORE FULLY DESCRIBED IN OR BOOK 668 PAGE 846 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.

Name in which assessed:
RUBIN EARL ANCRUM; BLANCHE ANCRUM;

All of said property being in the County of Highlands, State of Florida. Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at Highlands County Government Center in the Board of County Commissioners Boardroom in accordance with Chapter 45, Florida Statutes at 10:00 A.M., or thereafter on 31st day of August, 2011.

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Name in which assessed:
DIMITRIOS LINARDATOS

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Certificate No.: 6128
Year of Issuance: May-22-2009
Tax ID: C-04-34-28-130-2610-0070

Description of Property:
LOT 7 BLOCK 261 SUN N LAKE OF SEBRING UNIT 13 ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 9, PAGE 71, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.

Name in which assessed:
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All of said property being in the County of Highlands, State of Florida. Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at Highlands County Government Center in the Board of County Commissioners Boardroom in accordance with Chapter 45, Florida Statutes at 10:00 A.M., or thereafter on 31st day of August, 2011.

Dated this 19th day of July, 2011.

ROBERT W. GERMAINE
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July 27; August 3, 10, 17, 2011

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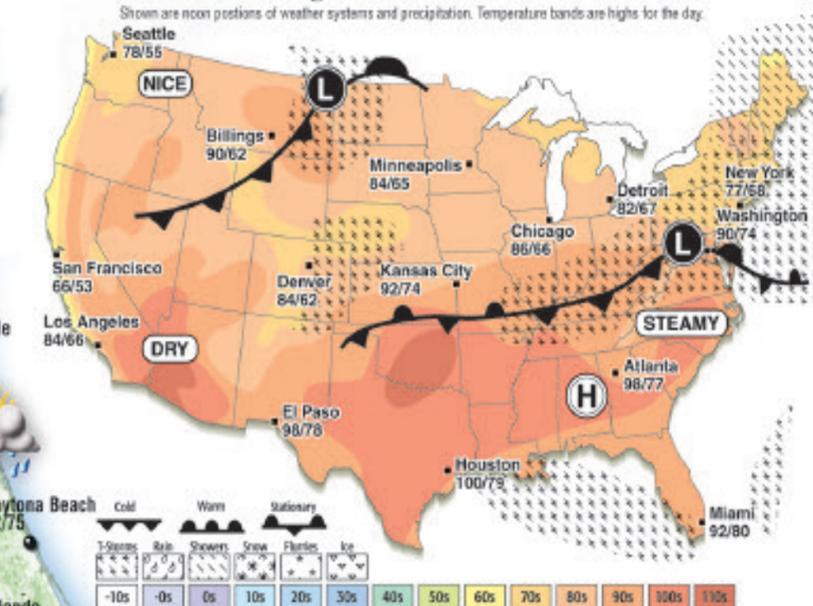
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Five-Day forecast for Highlands County

TODAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
An afternoon thunderstorm	A couple of afternoon thunderstorms	A couple of afternoon thunderstorms	Tropical storm possible	Clouds and sun, a t-storm possible
95° / 77°	95° / 78°	94° / 77°	94° / 77°	94° / 78°
Winds: W at 4-8 mph	Winds: SW at 4-8 mph	Winds: S at 6-12 mph	Winds: SSE at 20-30 mph	Winds: WSW at 7-14 mph

National Forecast for August 3



Almanac

Readings at Anstbold Biological Station in Lake Placid

High Friday	96°
Low Friday	68°
High Saturday	96°
Low Saturday	70°
High Sunday	94°
Low Sunday	71°
High Monday	96°
Low Monday	69°

Heat Index
For 3 p.m. today

Relative humidity	50%
Expected air temperature	95°
Makes it feel like	106°

Barometer

Saturday	29.99
Sunday	29.93
Monday	29.95

Precipitation

Saturday	0.00"
Sunday	0.00"
Monday	0.00"
Month to date	0.00"
Year to date	26.50"

Regional Summary

Some sunshine giving way to clouds today with a thunderstorm in the afternoon. A thunderstorm around in the evening; otherwise, partly cloudy tonight. A couple of thunderstorms around tomorrow and Friday afternoon.



Farm Report

A thunderstorm this afternoon. Winds west 4-8 mph. Expect 4-8 hours of sunshine with a 55% chance of precipitation and average relative humidity 65%. Drying conditions fair.

Water Restrictions

- Even addresses may water on Thursday and Sunday.
- Odd addresses may water on Wednesday and Saturday.
- All watering should take place before 10 a.m. and after 4 p.m.

Weather History

The South was in the midst of a record heat wave Aug. 3, 1980. Dallas, Texas, had its 42nd consecutive day with temperatures at or above 100 degrees.

Sun and Moon

	Today	Thursday
Sunrise	6:53 a.m.	6:53 a.m.
Sunset	8:12 p.m.	8:11 p.m.
Moonrise	10:54 a.m.	11:57 a.m.
Moonset	10:49 p.m.	11:31 p.m.

Florida Cities

City	Today	Thu.	Fri.
Cape Coral	93/77a	94/77a	94/77a
Clearwater	93/80a	93/81a	93/80a
Coral Springs	92/77a	92/79a	91/81a
Daytona Beach	92/75a	92/77a	92/77a
Fl. Laud. Bch	92/81a	90/80a	91/83a
Fort Myers	93/77a	93/77a	93/78a
Gainesville	95/75a	91/76a	94/75a
Hollywood	92/77a	92/76a	93/81a
Homeshead AFB	90/76a	90/79a	90/80a
Jacksonville	95/74a	97/76a	95/77a
Key West	92/80a	91/83a	92/83a

World Cities

City	Today	Thu.	Fri.
Acapulco	88/75a	91/77a	89/79a
Athens	84/73a	90/73a	91/75a
Beirut	86/71a	86/71a	86/75a
Berlin	74/62a	72/66a	78/64a
Bermuda	82/74a	83/74a	84/73a
Calgary	70/53a	74/53a	79/53a
Dublin	68/55a	66/52a	63/50a
Edmonton	72/44a	76/50a	79/51a
Freeport	91/79a	90/78a	92/79a
Geneva	83/61a	77/61a	71/58a
Havana	93/72a	93/73a	90/74a
Hong Kong	91/81a	93/82a	93/82a
Jerusalem	85/63a	82/62a	83/63a
Johannesburg	60/40a	64/41a	64/44a
Kiev	73/51a	64/49a	72/52a

National Summary

Searing, triple-digit heat will keep a firm grip on the southern Plains, while expanding further across the Southeast today. With daytime heating, scattered thunderstorms will fire up during the afternoon along the Gulf Coast and across Florida. These thunderstorms will provide a bit of relief from the heat. More comfortable and less humid air filtering into the Great Lakes region and Midwest, will clash with the hotter air to the south. A stormy zone will result from the clashing air masses.

U.S. Cities

City	Today	Thu.	Fri.
Abuquerque	92/73a	93/72a	94/73a
Atlanta	98/77a	103/78a	95/76a
Baltimore	87/67a	89/67a	90/70a
Birmingham	100/78a	101/78a	97/79a
Boston	76/66a	78/64a	75/65a
Charlotte	99/73a	99/73a	94/73a
Cheyenne	80/56a	84/57a	89/58a
Chicago	86/65a	87/65a	84/68a
Cleveland	82/68a	82/68a	87/70a
Columbus	89/70a	87/67a	91/71a
Dallas	107/83a	106/83a	106/81a
Denver	84/60a	91/62a	95/63a
Detroit	82/67a	86/66a	83/68a
Hannburg	78/67a	86/66a	90/70a
Honolulu	89/75a	89/76a	89/76a
Houston	100/79a	100/77a	99/77a
Indianapolis	92/67a	86/68a	90/72a
Jackson, MS	100/77a	99/76a	98/75a
Kansas City	92/74a	90/75a	91/73a
Lexington	96/71a	89/68a	94/73a
Little Rock	100/78a	100/78a	101/79a

World Cities

City	Today	Thu.	Fri.
London	81/57a	72/55a	68/54a
Montreal	78/53a	79/54a	81/67a
Moscow	68/50a	72/50a	70/55a
Nice	81/67a	81/67a	82/67a
Ottawa	70/60a	83/60a	85/64a
Quebec	74/60a	76/59a	81/63a
Rio de Janeiro	70/58a	68/58a	72/67a
Seoul	88/75a	90/75a	93/77a
Singapore	86/79a	88/79a	87/77a
Sydney	75/50a	75/50a	73/52a
Toronto	82/62a	85/66a	87/66a
Vancouver	74/59a	76/59a	79/59a
Vienna	81/67a	73/68a	82/71a
Warsaw	72/50a	73/51a	72/58a
Winnipeg	84/60a	79/67a	79/69a

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Josh Freeman and the Bucs were glad to be back in pads on Monday.

Bucs re-sign LB Hayward

Associated Press

TAMPA — The Tampa Bay Buccaneers have re-signed linebacker Adam Hayward to a three-year contract.

The team announced the deal with the unrestricted free agent on Monday.

Tampa Bay coach Raheem Morris said Hayward was probably the Bucs' special teams MVP last year.

In four seasons with the Buccaneers, Hayward has 58 kick-coverage tackles, including a team-best 20 in 2010.

To make room for Hayward on the 90-man training camp

roster, the Buccaneers released rookie running back Deonte Jackson.

Also, Tampa Bay worked out in pads for the first time at training camp during its Monday afternoon practice.

"The first day of pads is always a fun one," quarterback Josh Freeman said. "You've got a lot of energy, a lot of passion."

Both candidates for the starting offensive right tackle spot, Jeremy Trueblood and James Lee, are among the players not allowed to practice yet because of the new collective bargaining

agreement reached last week.

"It is strange," Morris said. "But it's fine. Everybody is going to start at the same time. We'll have two guys competing to start once they get an opportunity to get out there on the field."

Once the CBA is fully squared away, veteran free agents who have signed new contracts recently will be allowed to practice with their teams.

Those players are currently allowed to attend team meetings, work out individually and watch — but not participate — in practice.



Outta' the Woods

Tony Young

Get ready for opening day

With the dog days of summer upon us, it's hard to think about hunting.

But if you're between the ages of 16 and 36, and haven't yet taken the state's hunter safety class — now's just the time to be thinking about it.

Many of these classes, offered statewide, fill up fast during hunting season while people scramble to get certified.

Summer months offer smaller class sizes and offer a better opportunity for students to attend, because they often have more free time then.

People 16 years old or older and born after May 31, 1975, must complete the FWC's hunter safety requirement before they can buy a Florida hunting license.

There is an exception though.

A law passed a few years ago that allows individuals to hunt under the supervision of a licensed hunter, 21 years old or older, without having to complete the state's hunter safety certification.

It's called the Hunter Safety Deferral License, and it allows those people who purchase one to hunt on a one-year trial basis.

It's designed to encourage experienced hunters to teach novice hunters about our sport and is a great incentive for getting more people to give hunting a try.

Individuals taking advantage of this would have to pass a hunter safety class to be eligible to buy a license and hunt the following year.

If you're a youngster and

See HUNTER, Page 4B

Wolfe working her way back

By DAN HOEHNE

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It's an aspiration she's had since her grade school days, in a sport she was born into.

But former Sebring stand-out Megan Wolfe is having a harder time of it these days, as her litany of injuries have forced her to temper her quest for the time being.

"I've always had a love for the water and swimming is sort of in my blood," she said. "My dad's mom was one of the first Water Safety Instructors in Highlands County, so the water is like second nature for my family."

And so the journey began.

"I started competing when I was 3-years old, thought I didn't go to many meets at that age," Wolfe said. "But as I grew, I realized I was a very competitive person, which I get from both my parents, and the thing about swimming is that it all depends on me and not anyone else. If I want to get better it is up to me."

And so under the guidance of her father, area swimming guru Marvin Wolfe certainly got better,

though there were bumps along the way, physically.

As a manager of a volleyball team in sixth grade, she tore her right shoulder labrum.

The injury healed, in the short term, and her high school career was nothing short of spectacular, where she qualified for state in the 50 Free all four years, taking seventh as a junior and thirds as both a sophomore and senior — and setting numerous school time records along the way.

Building upon her success, Wolfe was offered a scholarship to restart the Daytona State College swimming program and saw that even her years of hard training were nothing compared to what she faced at the next level.

"I went from a max of 5,000 yards of swimming a day to 14,000 yards," she said. "Plus weight training and dryland."

But even as she had this whole new workload to adjust to, Wolfe had an immediate impact.

She brought home seven medals from the National Junior College Athletic



Courtesy photo

Former Sebring stand-out Megan Wolfe had an impressive college debut at Daytona State. But injuries have her working her way back toward her lifelong goal.

Association championships her freshman year, four as part of relay teams, all of which came in second, and three individually.

Wolfe took fifth in the 100 Free, and third in both the 50 and 200 Free, helping the women's team to an overall third-place finish.

And the hard work and busy schedule helped her in the classroom as well.

"I was able to keep a balance better than I thought I would," she said. "I was actually in bed by 9 every

night, which was good because I had to be up at 5 every morning."

But then, heading into what should have been a banner sophomore year, the injury bug came back to bite her.

The bad right shoulder was bad again and as a result of compensating for it, perhaps, her left shoulder started giving her problems.

"It's mostly inside. The front, back, top and side — well, pretty much everywhere," she said. "The left

shoulder is giving me problems too, but I can't do anything for that until the right one is fixed."

And so, it's back home for this coming school year, where Wolfe will have the time to heal while taking classes online at Florida Gulf Coast.

She received her Associate of Arts in Sports Nutrition and will be continuing in Health Science as she envisions working with athletes with her goal to be a

See WOLFE, Page 4B

Dolphins draw good crowd to practice

Associated Press

MIAMI GARDENS — The Miami Dolphins drew a crowd of 10,109 to Sun Life Stadium for the team's first full-contact practice Monday night, and for the first time in four days fans seemed happy.

Well, until maligned quarterback Chad Henne, who had 15 touchdowns passes and 19 interceptions last season, made a couple of bad plays.

That's when someone led a chant saying, "We want Orton!"

That was a reference to the Dolphins' recent interest in Denver quarterback Kyle Orton.

Nevertheless, there were appreciative oohs and ahhs on long passing plays, big hits and nice moves.

Fans were into it and much more enthusiastic than the small crowds Miami had at its practice facility for the first three days of practice.

The first few days of

training camp included the signing of former Carolina quarterback Matt Moore, the departure of linebacker Channing Crowder, and wide receiver Brandon Marshall saying he suffers from borderline personality disorder.

Monday was about the on-field product.

Earlier in the day, linebacker Jason Taylor, one of franchise's all-time favorites as well as its leader in sacks (124), rejoined the team for his third go-round.

Taylor, drafted by Miami in 1997, was traded to Washington in 2008.

He returned in 2009, but played last season with the New York Jets.

"This guy is a tremendous closer, he makes plays at the end of games," Dolphins coach Tony Sparano said.

Taylor, who had five sacks for the Jets and has 132.5 for his career (tied for 9th all-time in NFL history) is expected to

See MIAMI, Page 4B

Lady Panthers prepping to pounce



News-Sun photo by DAN HOEHNE
Above: Former Blue Streak Brittany "Beamer" Whittington is one of a slew of new faces that will look to help SFCC toward a strong season on the volleyball court. Right: High-flying Desirae Burris is one of just three returning Lady Panthers and will be looked to for leadership this upcoming season. See Sunday's News-Sun for a preview of the Lady Panthers.



THE SCOREBOARD

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Major League Baseball

AMERICAN LEAGUE

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	66	41	.617	—
New York	65	42	.607	1
Tampa Bay	56	51	.523	10
Toronto	55	53	.509	11½
Baltimore	42	63	.400	23

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Detroit	57	51	.528	—
Cleveland	54	52	.509	2
Chicago	52	55	.486	4½
Minnesota	50	58	.463	7
Kansas City	46	62	.426	11

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Texas	61	48	.560	—
Los Angeles	59	50	.541	2
Oakland	49	60	.450	12
Seattle	46	62	.426	14½

Sunday's Games

N.Y. Yankees 4, Baltimore 2
 Kansas City 5, Cleveland 3
 Detroit 3, L.A. Angels 2
 Toronto 7, Texas 3
 Boston 5, Chicago White Sox 3
 Oakland 7, Minnesota 3
 Tampa Bay 8, Seattle 1

Monday's Games
 Cleveland 9, Boston 6
 N.Y. Yankees 3, Chicago White Sox 2
 Seattle 8, Oakland 4

Tuesday's Games
 Texas at Detroit, late
 Cleveland at Boston, late
 Toronto at Tampa Bay, late
 Baltimore at Kansas City, late
 N.Y. Yankees at Chicago White Sox, late
 Minnesota at L.A. Angels, late
 Oakland at Seattle, late

Wednesday's Games
 Oakland (G.Gonzalez 9-8) at Seattle (Undecided), 3:40 p.m.
 Texas (M.Harrison 9-7) at Detroit (Fister 3-12), 7:05 p.m.
 Cleveland (C.Carrasco 8-9) at Boston (Wakefield 6-4), 7:10 p.m.
 Toronto (C.Villanueva 6-2) at Tampa Bay (Shields 9-9), 7:10 p.m.
 Baltimore (Guthrie 5-14) at Kansas City (Hochevar 7-8), 8:10 p.m.
 N.Y. Yankees (A.J.Burnett 8-9) at Chicago White Sox (Flyod 9-9), 8:10 p.m.
 Minnesota (S.Baker 8-6) at L.A. Angels (Pineiro 5-5), 10:05 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Philadelphia	69	39	.639	—
Atlanta	63	47	.573	7
New York	55	54	.505	14½
Florida	54	55	.495	15½
Washington	52	56	.481	17

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Milwaukee	61	49	.555	—
St. Louis	57	52	.523	3½
Pittsburgh	54	53	.505	5½
Cincinnati	53	56	.486	7½
Chicago	44	65	.404	16½
Houston	36	73	.330	24½

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
San Francisco	61	48	.560	—
Arizona	60	49	.550	1
Colorado	51	58	.468	10
Los Angeles	49	59	.454	11½
San Diego	47	63	.427	14½

Sunday's Games

Cincinnati 9, San Francisco 0
 Florida 3, Atlanta 1
 Washington 3, N.Y. Mets 2
 Philadelphia 6, Pittsburgh 5, 10 innings
 Milwaukee 5, Houston 4
 San Diego 8, Colorado 3
 Arizona 6, L.A. Dodgers 3
 Chicago Cubs 6, St. Louis 3

Monday's Games
 Washington 5, Atlanta 3
 Chicago Cubs 5, Pittsburgh 3
 Florida 7, N.Y. Mets 3, 10 innings
 Houston 4, Cincinnati 3, 10 innings
 Milwaukee 6, St. Louis 2
 Philadelphia 4, Colorado 3, 10 innings
 L.A. Dodgers 6, San Diego 2
 Arizona 5, San Francisco 2

Tuesday's Games
 Atlanta at Washington, late
 Chicago Cubs at Pittsburgh, late
 Florida at N.Y. Mets, late
 Cincinnati at Houston, late
 St. Louis at Milwaukee, late
 Philadelphia at Colorado, late
 L.A. Dodgers at San Diego, late
 Arizona at San Francisco, late

Wednesday's Games
 Atlanta (Beachy 4-2) at Washington (Wang 0-1), 1:05 p.m.
 St. Louis (E.Jackson 1-0) at Milwaukee (Wolf 7-8), 2:10 p.m.
 Philadelphia (Halladay 13-4) at Colorado (Hammel 6-10), 3:10 p.m.
 Arizona (Marquis 8-5) at San Francisco (Vogelsong 8-1), 3:45 p.m.
 Chicago Cubs (Garza 4-8) at Pittsburgh (Morton 8-6), 7:05 p.m.
 Florida (Hensley 1-3) at N.Y. Mets (Gee 10-3), 7:10 p.m.
 Cincinnati (Willis 0-1) at Houston (Lyles 0-6), 8:05 p.m.
 L.A. Dodgers (Lilly 7-10) at San Diego (Stauffer 6-8), 10:05 p.m.

Major League Soccer

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Columbus	9	6	7	34	24	20
Philadelphia	8	5	7	31	25	18
New York	6	5	12	30	37	30
Sporting KC	6	6	9	27	29	28
Houston	6	7	9	27	27	27
D.C.	6	8	6	26	26	30
New England	4	9	9	21	20	30
Toronto FC	3	11	10	19	21	43
Chicago	2	6	12	18	20	25

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Los Angeles	12	2	9	45	32	16
FC Dallas	12	5	6	42	30	21
Seattle	10	5	8	38	33	26
Colorado	8	6	10	34	33	31
Real Salt Lake	9	4	6	33	27	14
Chivas USA	6	8	8	26	27	24
San Jose	5	8	9	24	24	29
Portland	6	10	4	22	24	34
Vancouver	2	11	9	15	21	34

NOTE: Three points for victory, one point for tie.

Saturday's Games

Los Angeles 4, Vancouver 0
 Houston 3, Seattle FC 1
 Sporting Kansas City 1, New England 1, tie
 Columbus 2, Real Salt Lake 0
 D.C. United 2, San Jose 0



LIVE SPORTS ON TV

BASEBALL WEDNESDAY

6 p.m. Big League Tournament Final ESPN2

GOLF THURSDAY

11:30 a.m. PGA – Cox Classic. GOLF
 2 p.m. PGA – WGC Bridgestone Invitational GOLF
 6:30 p.m. PGA – Reno-Tahoe Open GOLF

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL WEDNESDAY

7 p.m. N.Y. Yankees at Chicago White Sox ESPN
 7 p.m. Toronto at Tampa Bay SUN
 Noon Toronto at Tampa Bay SUN
 8 p.m. N.Y. Yankees at Chicago White Sox. WGN

SOCCER WEDNESDAY

8:30 p.m. Barcelona vs. Club Deportivo Chivas ESPN2
 10:30 p.m. MLS – Los Angeles at Portland. ESPN2

Times, games, channels all subject to change

Portland 2, Toronto FC 2, tie
Sunday's Games
 FC Dallas 1, Chivas USA 0
Wednesday's Games
 Real Salt Lake at Sporting Kansas City, 8:30 p.m.
 Philadelphia at Chicago, 9 p.m.
 Los Angeles at Portland, 10:30 p.m.
Friday, August 5
 Columbus at Colorado, 9:30 p.m.
Saturday, August 6
 Chivas USA at New England, 7:30 p.m.
 Toronto FC at D.C. United, 7:30 p.m.
 Houston at Philadelphia, 8 p.m.
 Seattle FC at Sporting Kansas City, 8:30 p.m.
 New York at Real Salt Lake, 9 p.m.
 FC Dallas at Los Angeles, 10:30 p.m.
 Portland at San Jose, 10:30 p.m.
Sunday, August 7
 Chicago at Vancouver, 7 p.m.

WNBA

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
Indiana	14	6	.700	—
Connecticut	11	6	.647	1½
New York	10	8	.556	3
Chicago	9	11	.450	5
Atlanta	8	10	.444	5
Washington	3	14	.176	9½

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
Minnesota	13	4	.765	—
San Antonio	11	6	.647	2
Phoenix	11	7	.611	2½
Seattle	10	8	.556	3½
Los Angeles	7	11	.389	6½
Tulsa	1	17	.056	12½

Sunday's Games

Minnesota 70, San Antonio 69
 Connecticut 99, Atlanta 92
 Indiana 98, Los Angeles 63
Monday's Games
 No games scheduled
Tuesday's Games
 New York at Atlanta, late
 Phoenix at Minnesota, late
 San Antonio at Seattle, late
Wednesday's Games
 Connecticut at Los Angeles, 3 p.m.

Transactions

BASEBALL

MAJOR LEAGUE
 BASEBALL—Suspended Cleveland RHP Carlos Carrasco six games and fined him an undisclosed amount for throwing at Kansas City DH Billy Butler during Friday's game.
American League
 BALTIMORE ORIOLES—Optioned LHP Mike Ballard and LHP Pedro Viola to Bowie (EL).
 CLEVELAND INDIANS—Purchased the contract of INF Argenis Reyes from New Jersey (Can-Am) and assigned him to Columbus (IL).
 KANSAS CITY ROYALS—Placed RHP Kyle Davies on the 15-day DL, retroactive to July 26. Agreed to terms with C Cameron Gallagher and assigned him to the Arizona League Royals.
 LOS ANGELES ANGELS—Optioned OF Mike Trout to Arkansas (TL).
 SEATTLE MARINERS—Placed RHP Chris Ray on the 15-day DL, retroactive to July 30. Recalled LHP Aaron Laffey from Tacoma (PCL).
National League
 ARIZONA DIAMONDBACKS—Optioned RHP Sam Demel and RHP Ryan Cook to Reno (PCL). Selected the contract of INF Paul Goldschmidt from Mobile (SL).
 ATLANTA BRAVES—Placed RHP Scott Linebrink on the 15-day DL, retroactive to July 30. Activated OF Michael Bourn.
 LOS ANGELES DODGERS—Placed RHP Rubby De La Rosa on the 15-day DL. Recalled RHP John Ely from Albuquerque (PCL).
 PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES—Released RHP Danys Baez.
 PITTSBURGH PIRATES—Designated 1B Lyle Overbay for assignment. Optioned SS Pedro Ciriaco to Indianapolis (IL).
 SAN DIEGO PADRES—Recalled OF Aaron Cunningham from Tucson (PCL) and OF Blake Tekotte from San Antonio (Texas). Optioned LHP Wade LeBlanc to Tucson.
 WASHINGTON NATIONALS—Released OF/1B Matt Stairs unconditionally. Optioned LHP Atahualpa Severino to Syracuse (IL).
American Association
 AMARILLO SOX—Sold the contract of OF Cyle Hankerd to the Philadelphia Phillies.

FARGO-MOORHEAD
 REDHAWKS—Released HP Chad Rhoades.
 FORT WORTH CATS—Released RHP Matt Sartor.
 GRAND PRAIRIE AIRHOGS—Released RHP Cody Railsback and OF Jeremy Saucedo. Signed OF Joey Gomes and RHP Trent Montgomery.
 ST. PAUL SAINTS—Traded RHP Robert Manuel to Fort Worth for a player to be named.
 SHREVEPORT-BOSSIER
 CAPTAINS—Released LHP Steven P. Kent and LHP Joel Kirsten. Signed LHP Pedro Flores and RHP Hector Carrasco.
 SIOUX CITY EXPLORERS—Signed RHP Emiliano Fruto and INF Mike Murphy.
Can-Am League
 BROCKTON ROX—Released RHP Robert Bono and INF Mathieu Beauchesne.
 NEWARK BEARS—Sold the contract of OF Daryle Ward to the Arizona Diamondbacks. Released INF Kyle Davis. Signed LHP Victor Gonzalez and RHP Evan Jachno.
 PITTSFIELD COLONIALS—Signed OF Keith Beauregard.
 QUEBEC CAPITALES—Released C Patrick Hanley. Signed C Matt Blazynski.

FOOTBALL

National Football League
 BUFFALO BILLS—Activated CB Reggie Corner from the physically-unable-to-perform list.
 CAROLINA PANTHERS—Agreed to terms with DT Terrell McClain.
 CHICAGO BEARS—Waived P Richmond McGee and DT Sean Murnane.
 CINCINNATI BENGALS—Acquired WR Andrew Hawkins off waivers from St. Louis. Signed CB Nate Clements.
 CLEVELAND BROWNS—Signed DE Jayme Mitchell. Sent an undisclosed 2012 draft pick to St. Louis to complete an earlier trade for G John Greco.
 DENVER BRONCOS—Agreed to terms with DE Derrick Harvey. Re-signed DE Marcus Thomas. Signed TE Daniel Fells and TE Dante Rosario. Waived S Nick Polk, CB James Rogers and WR Marshall Williams.
 DETROIT LIONS—Signed WR Maurice Stovell. Released WR Jared Jenkins.
 INDIANAPOLIS COLTS—Agreed to terms with DL Jamaal Anderson.
 JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS—Signed G Wade Grayson. Waived WR Nate Hughes.
 KANSAS CITY CHIEFS—Signed OT Barry Richardson to a restricted free agent tender and LB Brandon Siler.
 MIAMI DOLPHINS—Agreed to terms with OT Marc Colombo. Signed LB Jason Taylor and LB Mark Masterson.
 MINNESOTA VIKINGS—Signed OL Charlie Johnson. Placed OT Bryant McKinnie on the non-football injury list.
 NEW ORLEANS SAINTS—Agreed to terms with LB Clint Ingram. Signed G Carl Nicks and C Cecil Newton. Re-signed OT Zach Strief.
 NEW YORK GIANTS—Signed QB David Carr and TE Ben Patrick. Waived-injured RB Martell Mallard. Waived/non-football injury S Chad Jones.
 NEW YORK JETS—Re-signed CB Antonio Cromartie to a four-year contract. Signed CB Donald Strickland. Placed WR Jericho Cotchery and G Brandon Moore on the physically unable to perform list.
 OAKLAND RAIDERS—Agreed to terms with LB Kamerion Wimbley on a five-year contract.
 PHILADELPHIA EAGLES—Agreed to terms with OL Danny watkins on a four-year contract. Traded DT Brodrick Bunkley to Denver for an undisclosed 2013 draft pick. Waived WR Keith Carlos.
 SAN DIEGO CHARGERS—Placed TE Antonio Gates and LB Larry English on the physically-unable-to-perform list.
 TAMPA BAY BUCCANEERS—Re-signed LB Adam Hayward to a three-year contract. Released RB Deonte Jackson.
 TENNESSEE TITANS—WR Randy Moss announced his retirement. Agreed to terms with DE Dave Ball and FB Ahmad Hall. Signed DE Jacob Ford.
 WASHINGTON REDSKINS—Signed OT Jammal Brown, LB Horatio Blades, WR Isaac Anderson, LB Obi Ezeke, LB Eric McBride, DB Devonte Shannon, TE Joe Torcia, QB Marc Verica and DT Thomas Weaver.

Arena Football League

ORLANDO PREDATORS—Announced coach Pat O'Hara will not return next season.

Dixie Donations

SEBRING – The State Champion Sebring All-Stars have marked their ticket to the Dixie World Series in Madison Heights, VA., from Aug. 6-11.

But along with the prestige this gives the defending Ozone champs comes the cost to make the trip.

Transport, hotel and new uniforms for Team Florida all add up and the team, in addition to upcoming fundraisers, are requesting donations.

There are currently three area businesses that are serving as drop-off locations for anyone wanting to donate – Sebring Florist, Heartland National Bank (by Don Jose and Gate) and McPhail's Auto Sales.

All donations are tax exempt and a tax exempt number will be provided if needed.

Checks are to be made payable to Sebring Youth Baseball, with Ozone All-Stars noted in the memo section.

Any amount is appreciated to help this group of talented youngsters defend their World Series title and represent Sebring, Highlands County and the Heartland to the best of their ability.

Any other questions, or for more information, call Dean Frazier at 381-9583.

Panther Hitting Camps

The SFCC Baseball program will be hosting hitting camps this fall for aspiring players aged 6-14.

The camps will be held Saturday's Sept. 10 and 24 as well as Oct. 15 and 29.

Each day, the camps will run from 8:30 -11 a.m. on Panther Field at the SFCC Avon Park campus.

Under the guidance of Panther head coach Rick Hitt, along with assistant coach Andy Polk and members of the 2011 SFCC squad, campers will learn all aspects of hitting, with drills, instruction and hitting analysis.

Registration begins at 8 a.m. each day and players should bring glove, cap, bat and any desired baseball attire.

Camp cost is \$25 per camper.

To register, print Application and Consent and Release forms from www.southflorida.edu/baseball/camp and mail to address on application form.

Register by phone, all area codes 863, at 784-7036 for Sebring and Avon Park residents, 465-5300 for Lake Placid, 494-7500 for DeSoto County or 773-2252 for Hardee County.

Walk-up registrations are also accepted.

For further information, call any of the above numbers or email coach Hitt at hittr@southflorida.edu.

Lake Placid Youth Bowling

LAKE PLACID – The Royal Palms Youth Bowling League, for ages 7 and up, begins its' new season Saturday, Sept. 3.

The sign-up fee is \$25, which includes a shirt, and new bowlers are welcome.

Bowling is every Saturday morning at 9 a.m. through December 10.

Weekly cost is \$11 and includes three games of bowling, shoes and prize fund.

All Youth Bowlers are also eligible for reduced rate open bowling, though some restrictions may apply, and free bowling with instruction on Friday's from 4-6 p.m. – must be accompanied by an adult.

For more information, call Frank Peterson at 382-9541, or Donna Stanley at 441-4897.

Sebring Summer Swim

SEBRING – The summer season for swimming is upon us as the Sebring High School pool is open to the public.

Pool hours for open swim will be 6-7:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and 1-3 p.m. Saturday's and Sunday's – additional hours will be added once school is out.

Cost is \$2 per swimmer with big savings for frequent swimmers.

A family pass can be bought for \$50 for the first swimmer and \$15 for each additional family member.

Swimming lessons will also be available with four separate sessions throughout the summer for eight different levels of instruction, ranging from Adult Beginner, Parent and Tot, Fundamentals, Introduction to Water Skills, Pre-School Aquatics, Fundamental Aquatic Skills, Stroke Development, Improvement and Refinement, Personal Water Safety and Diving Fundamentals and Fitness.

Session IV runs from July 25-August 5. Water aerobics return as well, with certified instructor Ricki Albritton, Tuesday's and Thursday's from 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Cost is just \$2 per workout, or just \$1 if you have the Summer Swim Pass.

For questions call 471-5500 ext. 228 and leave a message for Pat Caton.

Firemen Memorial Golf

SEBRING — The 12th annual Sebring Firemen Inc. Memorial Golf Tournament presented by AXA Advisors LLC and Home Depot is scheduled for Saturday, Aug. 20 at Sun 'n Lake.

The tourney will once again feature a four-man scramble with \$75 entry fees.

That includes range balls, golf, food and drink on the course and the pre-tourney mixer on Friday night with great appetizers.

There will also once again be a silent auction featuring autographed sports memorabilia from people like Tim Tebow, Jimbo Fisher, Will Muschamp, Nick Saban and many others.

Hole sponsorships are available for \$100 and team sponsorships, which include a team entry and hole signs, are \$500.

All proceeds will help benefit Sebring athletics.

The tourney will begin with an 8:30 a.m. shotgun start on both Deer Run and Turtle Run.

For more information, call Tommy Lovett at 385-5100 or 382-2255.

Warrior Golf Classic

LAKE WALES — Webber Football Warrior Golf Classic, a fundraising event in support of the Warrior Football program will be held Saturday, August 27, at the Lake Wales Country Club. Shotgun start 9 a.m.

Fees: \$60 per player/\$240 team of four; \$5 Mulligans; 50/50 \$1 ticket or 15 tickets for \$10 (includes green fees and lunch buffet).

NASCAR THIS WEEK

ON THE TUBE

All times Eastern
Sprint Cup
 Good Sam RV Insurance
 5:00, 1 p.m., Sunday **ESPN**

Nationwide Series
 U.S. Cellular 250,
 7:30 p.m., Saturday **ESPN 2**

Truck Series
 Good Sam RV Emergency Road
 Service 125,
 1 p.m., Saturday **SPEED**

BURNING ISSUES

► Before this season, Regan Smith had never finished in the top 10 of a Sprint Cup race. This year he has finished in the top 10 in four big races: first at Darlington, third at Indy, seventh in the Daytona 500 and eighth in Charlotte's Coca-Cola 600.

► Paul Menard became the 11th driver to win in 18 NASCAR races at Indy. He's the first to claim the first victory of his career at the Brickyard.

► Menard also became the season's fourth first-time winner, joining Smith, Trevor Bayne and David Ragan.

► What is, at least for now, the final Nationwide Series race at Lucas Oil Raceway (nee O'Reilly Raceway Park, and before that, Indianapolis Raceway Park) went to Brad Keselowski. Next year, the Nationwide Series race will be held at the Brickyard.

► Attendance for the Brickyard 400 was estimated at 138,000, as compared with 140,000 in 2010. Both figures were likely a tad high.

► Menard's victory put him in solid position to make the Chase, but much could change over the final six regular-season races.

► Two big names, Tony Stewart and Dale Earnhardt Jr., are in grave danger of missing out on the Chase. They are, at the moment, ninth and 10th in the points standings, respectively. Stewart has a 22-point edge over 11th-place Denny Hamlin, and Earnhardt leads Hamlin by 19. Neither has a victory.

► Menard became the 14th Cup driver to win this season. That's already one more than 2010 and as many as 2009. The last time more than 14 drivers won in a single season was 2007 (16).

► It's generally true that speed at Indianapolis translates to Pocono, site of the next race. Both tracks are 2.5 miles, relatively flat and uniquely shaped. Indy has four distinct turns; Pocono has three.

► Since Watkins Glen, the latter road course, comes after Pocono, the potential for radical changes in the Chase outlook exists. Michigan's latter race comes after the Glen.

2011 STANDINGS

Sprint Cup Series	Pts.
1. Carl Edwards	682
2. Jimmie Johnson	- 11
3. Kevin Harvick	- 12
4. Kyle Busch	- 16
5. Matt Kenseth	- 16
6. Kurt Busch	- 18
7. Jeff Gordon	- 52
8. Ryan Newman	- 64
9. Tony Stewart	- 73
10. Dale Earnhardt Jr.	- 76
11. Denny Hamlin	- 95
12. Clint Bowyer	- 108

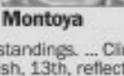
Nationwide Series	Pts.
1. Ricky Stenhouse Jr.	740
2. Reed Sorenson	- 3
3. Elliott Sadler	- 24
4. Justin Allgaier	- 51
5. Aric Almirola	- 69
6. Jason Leffler	- 94
7. Kenny Wallace	- 103
8. Steve Wallace	- 168
9. Brian Scott	- 174
10. Michael Annett	- 175

Camping World Truck Series	Pts.
1. Johnny Sauter	453
2. Austin Dillon	- 4
3. James Buescher	- 20
4. Timothy Peters	- 22
5. Cole Whitt	- 29
6. Matt Crafton	- 38
7. Parker Kligerman	- 46
8. Joey Coulter	- 50
9. Ron Hornaday Jr.	- 52
10. Todd Bodine	- 70

WHO'S HOT AND WHO'S NOT

► **Who's hot:** Paul Menard managed to win for the first time on one of the world's great motor sports stages. ... Tony Stewart managed to finagle a top-10 finish and moved up to ninth in the standings. Without a win, the top 10 is supremely important to his Chase hopes.

► **Who's not:** High hopes didn't pan out at Indy for Juan Pablo Montoya, who is winless and 20th in the season standings. ... Clint Bowyer's Indy finish, 13th, reflects his recent fortunes.



Stewart
Montoya

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SPRINT CUP

Race: Good Sam RV Insurance 500
Where: Pocono Raceway, Long Pond, Pa. (2.5 mi.), 200 laps/500 miles.
When: Sunday, Aug. 7.
Last year's winner: Greg Biffle, Ford.
Qualifying record: Kasey Kahne, Dodge, 172.533 mph, June 11, 2004.
Race record: Rusty Wallace, Ford, 144.892 mph, July 21, 1996.
Last week: In a season marked by upsets, Paul Menard became the first NASCAR driver to post his first career victory at Indianapolis Motor Speedway. Menard's Chevy held off the charge of another, driven by four-time Indy winner Jeff Gordon.

NATIONWIDE

Race: U.S. Cellular 250
Where: Iowa Speedway, Newton (.875 mi.), 250 laps/218.8 miles.
When: Saturday, Aug. 6.
Last year's winner: Kyle Busch, Toyota.
Qualifying record: Ricky Stenhouse Jr., Ford, 135.135 mph, Aug. 1, 2009.
Race record: Ricky Stenhouse Jr., Ford, 106.132 mph, May 22, 2011.
Last week: Brad Keselowski drove a Dodge to victory in what, at least for now, is the final series race at Lucas Oil Raceway in Clermont, Ind. Ricky Stenhouse Jr. led 189 laps but wound up finishing third.

CAMPING WORLD TRUCK

Race: Good Sam RV Emergency Road Service 125
Where: Pocono Raceway, Long Pond, Pa. (2.5 mi.), 50 laps/125 miles.
When: Saturday, Aug. 6.
Last year's winner: Elliott Sadler, Chevy.
Qualifying record: Elliott Sadler, Chevy, 162.602 mph, July 31, 2010.
Race record: Elliott Sadler, Chevy, 111.966 mph, July 31, 2010.
Last week: Timothy Peters, in a Toyota, collected the third victory of his career at Lucas Oil Raceway. James Buescher finished second in a Chevy, followed by Toyota drivers David Starr and Miguel Paludo.

POCONO DATA

June 12 Aug. 7 **ESPN**

Distance:.....2.5-mile oval
Length of frontstretch:.....3,740 ft.
Length of backstretch:.....3,055 ft.
Length of shortstretch:.....1,780 ft.
Miles/Laps:.....500 mi. = 200 laps

14° Banking in turn 1
 Turn 2: 8°
 Turn 3: 6°

IN THE SPOTLIGHT

PAUL MENARD SPRINT CUP SERIES **NO. 27 CERTAINTEED/MENARDS CHEVROLET**



John Clark/NASCAR This Week
Thirty-year-old Paul Menard got the first victory of his Cup career at Indianapolis Motor Speedway on Sunday. Menard could sneak into the Chase with a wild-card slot after the victory. The driver, who edged Jeff Gordon, says his team has a lot of work to do with six races left.

Menard Magical At Brickyard

Richard Childress Racing driver could make Chase with a wild-card bid

By Monte Dutton
 NASCAR This Week

The Brickyard 400, NASCAR's annual visit to world-famous Indianapolis Motor Speedway, has experienced something of a reversal of form.

Previously noted as a precursor to Sprint Cup championships, Indy has rewarded surprise winners in consecutive years. Paul Menard, who held off Jeff Gordon's late charge, became the first driver to claim the first victory of his career at the 2.5-mile track that first hosted the Indianapolis 500 in 1911.

The 2010 winner, Jamie McMurray, produced a milder surprise, but McMurray, who finished fourth this time, failed to make the Chase and is not going to do so this time.

Menard, 30, may just get in. He is safely in the top 20 in points and, at least for the moment, in position to claim one of two wild-card slots in the Chase for the Sprint Cup.

Brickyard winners who went on to win the

championship in the season of their Brickyard victories were Jeff Gordon in 1998 and 2001, Dale Jarrett in 1999, Bobby Labonte in 2000, Tony Stewart in 2005 and Jimmie Johnson in 2006, 2008 and 2009.

Menard, from Eau Claire, Wis., isn't talking title yet, but he is excited about the potential of taking his shot.

"I mean, we're winners in Sprint Cup," he said. "That's the big deal. To do it at Indy, that's an even bigger deal."

"We've got six races left (in the regular season). We've still got a lot of work to do. ... We'll rely on our teammates (Kevin Harvick, Clint Bowyer and Jeff Burton at Richard Childress Racing) a lot. ... We've got to get our short-track program figured out."

Menard also took pride in defeating Gordon, the race's only four-time winner.

"To beat Jeff Gordon at Indy? Big deal," he said simply. "He came to victory lane. ... I watched Jeff win the inaugural Brickyard 400. To have him come down in victory lane after finishing second to us, very special."

Jimmie Johnson stresses Brickyard's importance

By Monte Dutton
 NASCAR This Week

INDIANAPOLIS — The Brickyard 400 has obviously lost some of its allure to fans who do not pack Indianapolis Motor Speedway for the annual NASCAR event as much as they once did.

To most drivers, though, the race is still perched near the sport's pinnacle.

"It's such a tough race," said three-time winner Jimmie Johnson. "There are only a couple tracks on our schedule that, when you walk into the track, you feel the history of the facility."

NUTS AND BOLTS

This is one of them.

"The (Daytona) 500 and the Brickyard 400, it's argued back and forth which is more prestigious and important. It's tough for me to pick one, but they're both very special. I'm very fortunate to have won both of them."

No need to panic — During the past five Sprint Cup races, Dale Earnhardt Jr. has fallen from third to 10th in the points standings. His last six finishes, in reverse order, are 16th, 15th, 30th, 19th, 41st and 21st.

Oh, by the way, for Eskimos who don't already know this, he hasn't

FEUD OF THE WEEK



Kenseth **Menard**

MATT KENSETH VS. PAUL MENARD

Cambridge, Wis., native Kenseth was gracious but a tad cool about Eau Claire native Menard's groundbreaking Brickyard victory: "I'm happy for Paul, although I was irritated with him during the race for running me off on the track on that restart. I wish no race came down to fuel mileage. But he has been running awfully good this year and deserves to get a win."

NASCAR This Week's Monte Dutton gives his take: "Kenseth's frustration was as much with how the race came out as with Menard for what Kenseth perceived to be tactics that were a little over the line."

YOUR TURN

LETTERS FROM OUR READERS

No Face Time For Carl Ever?

This Week welcomes letters to the editor, but please be aware that we have room for only a few each week. We'll do our best to select the best, but individual replies are impossible due to the bulk of mail received. Please do not send stamped and self-addressed envelopes with your letters, which should be addressed to: NASCAR This Week, The Gaston Gazette, P.O. Box 1538, Gastonia, N.C. 28053.

Dear NASCAR This Week,

When the Obama "health boy," Carl Edwards, can't finish a race, he needs to be sent home or to his motor home. Many race fans haven't paid to watch him take over the announcer/broadcaster job, showboat and give his opinion/free time on the air. The broadcasters do a great job, and we can do without favoritism to the select few. There are 42 other drivers at each race and I feel if you want to give free airtime, then give it to a driver and team that need it ...

Ronnie Riggs Sr.
Maysville, N.C.

What's wrong with encouraging people to maintain good health, exercise and live an active lifestyle? Isn't it patriotic to agree to be an example for kids? As for Edwards' frequent appearances on television, the only reason he was there was that the TV networks asked him. What's wrong with drivers being accessible and cooperative? Do you really want no one but the broadcasters on-screen? Would you feel the same if it was your favorite driver?

FAN TIPS

Could Your Style Win For Jr.?

How'd you like to redesign Dale Earnhardt Jr.'s No. 88 Chevrolet for the Talladega fall race? Better hurry. The contest ends on Aug. 10. Prizes include several "packages": Refreshment (mini-fridge and "koozie"), Car (autographed die-cast, key chain and license-plate border) and Fan (signed "hero card," flag and T-shirt). Junior himself will be the judge. For complete contest rules and to enter, visit PaintThe88.com.



Earnhardt Jr.

LEGENDS AND LORE

Richmond Owned Pocono

Tim Richmond won for the third time in his all-too-brief NASCAR career on July 24, 1983, in Pocono Raceway's Like Cola 500. The first of Richmond's four Pocono victories was in an Old Milwaukee-sponsored Pontiac owned by Raymond Beadle. He finished 1.95 seconds ahead of Darrell Waltrip. Bobby Allison finished third and Neil Bonnett fourth. Richmond's first two victories had occurred on road races in Riverside, Calif. At the time of his death in 1989 at age 34, Richmond had won 13 times in NASCAR's premier series.

That's because, officially, it doesn't have a name.

"While some of the other manufacturers have announced the models with which they'll be competing, we haven't done so," said General Motors racing director Mark Kent, "and the reason we haven't done so is because we have yet to unveil the production version of the car we're going to race in 2013."

"... What I can tell you is when you see the 2013 race car next to the 2013 production car, the resemblance is going to be striking. I think everybody is going to be impressed with the car that's going to be on track in the year 2013 from Chevrolet."

Wolfe looks to heal – eye on Olympics

Continued from 1B
collegiate swim coach.
But that's a goal she can work toward for the long term.
In her more immediate conscience, Wolfe has a very lofty, long-held goal in mind.
"My aspirations have not changed since I was in elementary school," she said. "My goal is make it to the Olympics."
Though she knows she's got a lot of work to do.
"I just had my shoulder manipulated on Wednesday and I am back in therapy again," she said. "We are going super slow, so hopefully this will be the step that fixes my shoulder for good. I will have to start from scratch when I am allowed to start training."

And when she does, she has her eye keen on what she needs to do.
"I'd want to drop less than one second in the 50 for trials, about three in the 100," she said. "Of course, I had to choose one of the hardest and most competitive sports to try and make it in."
"To make it, you have to have near a world record to qualify," Wolfe continued. "That's why the U.S. is pretty much number one in swimming. If I was from another country, I could have already made it. But I'm an American and I am always up for a challenge."
Born in the U.S.A., born to swim and now just hoping she'll be able to shoulder the load.



Courtesy photo
Megan Wolfe sports two of the slew of medals she won as a freshman in the NJCAA championships for Daytona State College.

Red Devil Golf tryouts

Special to the News-Sun
AVON PARK — Avon Park High School boys and girls golf team try-outs will begin Monday, August 8.
Boys interested in trying

out, please call Coach Shane Ward at (863) 633-8597.
Girls interested in trying out, call Coach Suzie Gentry at (863) 446-7368.

Sebring Kayak Tours

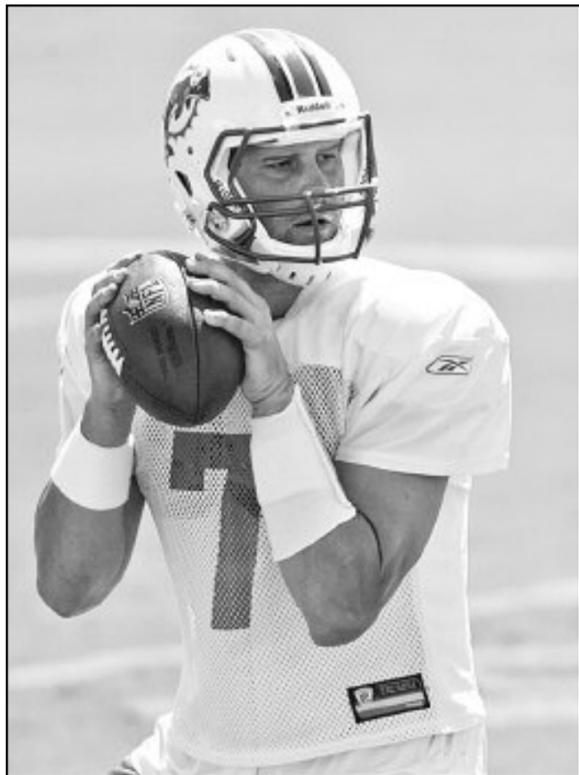
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SEBRING — Sebring Kayak Tours has three upcoming trips this month for some fun times on area waters.
Saturday Aug. 13 — Sunrise Tour and Breakfast – Lake Jackson, Sebring
We will meet and launch at 6:30 a.m. from the boat ramp at Veteran's Beach off of Lakeview Dr.
We will paddle across to the City Pier and back.
Upon arrival we will have breakfast at IHOP (price includes breakfast).
Saturday Aug. 20 — Morning Tour – Arbuckle Creek, Sebring
Launching at 9 a.m. from Lake Istokoga boat ramp, we will make our way up Arbuckle Creek to a favorite spot where we can get out, stretch and have a snack

before starting our descend back.
An approximately 3-hour tour designed for all ages and skill levels.
Saturday Aug. 27 – Peace River – Arcadia
We will meet at the canoe launch at Brownville Park in Desoto County at 10 a.m.
We will be paddling downstream to Arcadia with a stop for lunch about halfway.
We will also stop for homemade ice cream before returning.
\$39 per person (single or tandem kayaks available)
\$19 per person for those bringing their own kayaks
To reserve your spot call us at 863-202-0815 or email us at SebringKayakTours@yahoo.com.
Hope to see you on the water!

Miami keeping busy with signings

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play in pass-rushing situations.
Ideally, he'll be a book-end to weakside linebacker Cameron Wake, who had 14 sacks last season.
Miami also signed right tackle Marc Colombo, a free agent from Dallas.
At the very least, that means competition for veteran Vernon Carey, who missed Monday's night practice.
The team said Sparano gave him a "personal night off."
"My vision for Colombo right now is to see where we are in this tackle mix," Sparano said. "This guy has played a lot of football. There are a lot of different formulas right now that can go into the offensive line

group."
The Dolphins also terminated the contract of veteran linebacker Tim Dobbins and signed undrafted rookie linebacker Mark Masterson (Maine).
Free-agent signees such as Taylor, Moore, Reggie Bush and linebacker Kevin Burnett can't practice until Thursday, according to league rules.
That's fine.
At least fans got to see guys such as rookie center Mike Pouncey, the first-round pick from Florida, and defensive end Jared Odrick, the 2010 first-round pick from Penn State who only played one game last season before succumbing to foot and leg injuries.
And they got to vent more frustration with Henne.



MCT photo
Chad Henne drew some boos, and chants for Kyle Orton, at Monday's practice.

Wade, Paul, Anthony say all options on the table

Associated Press
BEIJING — NBA players Dwyane Wade, Carmelo Anthony and Chris Paul say their options are open if there is no resolution to the NBA lockout.
The three are wrapping up their weeklong promotional tour in China.
Last week, Paul and Anthony said in Hong Kong

they would consider moving to China, where there is a huge NBA following.
Anthony says "as far as coming over here, we've always said this whole trip that our options are open. ... Hopefully we won't have to take that route — coming over here — hopefully we have a season, but who knows. We shall see."

Serena Williams returns to top 100

Associated Press
LONDON — Serena Williams has returned to the top 100 in the women's rankings after winning her first title in more than a year at Stanford on Sunday.
The former No. 1 jumped nearly 90 places to 79th in the rankings released Monday after beating Marion Bartoli 7-5, 6-1 in the Bank

of the West Classic final to win her first title outside of the Grand Slams since 2009.
Williams was sidelined for almost a year until June with foot injuries and blood clots on her lungs, and slid to 175th in the rankings when she failed to defend her Wimbledon title — her lowest spot in 14 years.

Hunter Safety classes prepare you for season

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already hunt, I suggest you go ahead and take a hunter safety class before you turn 16.
Of course, until then, you may hunt under adult supervision.
You can register for a hunter safety class by going to MyFWC.com/HunterSafety or by contacting your nearest FWC regional office.
Also, there are two versions for your convenience.
There's the traditional course, which is 12 hours of classroom instruction plus a four-hour "field day," or you can opt for taking the online or CD-ROM version at home.
But, you'll still have to sign up for the "skills day" part.
The traditional course is offered during four weekdays or on a Saturday-Sunday.
If you take it during the week, each session is three hours and offered after normal working hours.
On the weekend, you'll spend eight hours Saturday

and four hours Sunday morning in the classroom.
The remainder of Sunday you'll move over to the shooting range to complete your certification.
The first thing you'll learn about in the traditional class is Florida's many hunting laws.
An FWC law enforcement officer gives this introduction.
Volunteer hunter safety instructors teach the remaining curriculum.
You'll be taught ethics, hunter responsibility, parts of firearms, various hunting lingo and the proper way to shoot.
You'll discover the differences between various bullets, calibers and gauges; how to identify game animals; and learn wildlife conservation and best management practices for native species.
In addition, you'll find out about outdoor survival techniques and learn how to administer first aid in the field.
Archery and fundamentals of bowhunting also are taught.

In your last hour in the classroom, you'll be given a standardized test of true and false and multiple-choice questions.
All you need is to score an 80 percent or better, and then you get to move outside to the shooting range for the field day portion.
This part takes about four hours.
During that time, you'll get to shoot clay pigeons with a shotgun, practice your archery skills and target practice with a .22 rifle.
You'll also receive a muzzleloader demonstration, where you'll have the chance to shoot one if you'd like.
All guns, bows, targets and ammo are provided.
All you have to do is take aim!
After you complete the field day, you'll be given your hunter safety card.
At that point you can purchase a Florida hunting license and get ready for opening day.
If you choose to take the hunter safety class online or by CD-ROM, you'll learn all of the above-mentioned

material and be given a practice test to prepare you for the last segment — the skills day.
Skill days take about four hours to complete.
You'll learn much of what is taught during the traditional course, including hunting laws and ethics, how to handle firearms safely, when to take a shot and where to place the crosshairs.
Then you'll get to shoot on the range and be given the same standardized test.
Register today to take a hunter safety class 'cause the 2011-2012 hunting season is just around the corner!
Tony Young can be reached with questions about Florida's hunter safety requirement or the Hunter Safety Deferral at Tony.Young@MyFWC.com.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

The Community Calendar provides a brief listing of local clubs and organizations who meet on a regular basis. It is the responsibility of the group to update the *News-Sun* on any changes in this listing by calling 385-6155, ext. 516; send any changes by e-mail to editor@newssun.com; or mail them to *News-Sun* Community Calendar, 2227 U.S. 27 South, Sebring, FL 33870.

TODAY

■ **Adult Children of Alcoholics and Dysfunctional Families. New Life Group** meets Wednesdays at 11:30 a.m. at Grace Bible Church, 4453 Thunderbird Road, Sebring. For details, call 446-0461. For details on the organization, go to www.adultchildren.org.

■ **American Legion Post 25 Lake Placid** has lounge hours from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Burgers served from 5-7 p.m. Live music is from 5-8 p.m. For details, call 465-7940.

■ **American Legion Post 74** open noon to 8 p.m. Hot dogs served. Happy Hour 4-6 p.m. Call 471-1448.

■ **Avon Park Noon Rotary Club** meets noon, Rotary Club Building, corner of Verona Avenue and Pine Street.

■ **Balance Transitions (Support Group For People Suffering With Mental Issues)**

meets every Wednesday at 1 p.m. with Qi-Gong to follow at 2:45 p.m. at 3003 Herring Ave., Sebring (Good Shepard Building). There is no cost for any services BALANCE provides. Call 386-5687.

■ **Bridge Club of Sebring** (American Contract Bridge Club) plays duplicate games at 12:30 p.m. at 347 Fernleaf Ave., Sebring. For details, call 385-8118.

■ **The Bridgettes** meet at 12:15 p.m. at Sebring Recreation Center to play bridge. For details, call Sandra Yates at 655-5815.

■ **Christian Fellowship Group** meets 7 p.m. For details, call 381-9005 or 381-9007.

■ **Country Swingers** has dances at the Sebring Recreation Club, 333 Pomegranate Ave., Sebring. Membership is required. Beginners dancing from 5:15-6:15 p.m. Advanced dancing is from 6:30-8:30 p.m. New dances taught every other week. Call 655-2398.

■ **Gold Wing Road Riders Association** meets at 6 p.m. first Wednesday at Homer's Smorgasbord in Sebring. For details, call Harold Francis at (954) 461-4346.

■ **Heartland Horses & Handicapped Inc.** is offering pony rides every Monday and Wednesday from 4:30-6:30 p.m., weather permitting. \$5 donation per child. Call 452-0006 for more information. All proceeds raised support our free equine assisted riding program for adults and children with special needs, which resumes in September.

■ **Heartland Talk of the Town Toastmasters** meet the first and third Wednesday from 6-7 p.m. at Century 21 Advanced All-Service Realty, 1843 U.S. 27 North in Sebring. The web address is www.toastmasters.org. For information call Cathy Schreima at 382-3574 or Linda Udall at 386-6495.

■ **Highlands County Narcotics Anonymous** meets at 8 p.m. at the Lakeside

house, 1513 S. Highlands Ave., Avon Park. For details, call the 24-hour hotline 1-800-850-7347 or (941) 616-0460.

■ **Highlands Senior Center** is open every Wednesday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at their new clubhouse, 3400 Sebring Parkway (the old Lions Club). Two live bands to dance to and great lunches. All area seniors are invited to join the festivities. Call 386-0752.

■ **Highlands Shrine Club**, 2606 State Road 17 South, Avon Park (between Avon Park and Sebring) meets from 8:30-10:30 a.m. for coffee and doughnuts and socializing for members and any interested person. For details, call 382-2208.

■ **Kiwanis Club of Sebring** meets every Wednesday at noon at Homer's Restaurant. Call Grace Plants 273-1421 for more information.

■ **Lake Placid Elks Lodge 2661** is open to members and their guests. Shuffleboard is at 1:30 p.m. Mah-Jong from 1-5 p.m. For details, call 465-2661. Seafood Nite is held on the first Wednesday of every month. The menu includes baked or fried crab cake, fried shrimp baked potatoe or fries along with a salad bar for \$7 per person.

■ **Lake Placid Moose** plays cards at night. Open to members and qualified guests only.

■ **Lake Placid Loyal Order of the Moose** meets at 7:30 p.m. the first Wednesday at the lodge.

■ **Loyal Order of Moose**, Highlands County Lodge No. 2494, 1318 W Bell St., Avon Park. Dinner served every Wednesday from 5:30-6:30 p.m. Lodge phone number 452-0579.

■ **Narcotics Anonymous Never Alone Candlelight** meets at 7 p.m. at 133 N. Butler Ave. in Avon Park, near the First Congregational Church. For information call Heartland area helpline (863) 683-0630. More information on other meetings and events at www.nafheartland.org.

■ **Over The Hill Gang** meets 10:15 a.m., Jim's Pistolarrow Range for target shooting. For details, call 655-4505.

■ **Rotary Club of Lake Placid (Morning Rotary)** meets at 6:44 a.m. at The Heron's Garden, 501 U.S. 27 North, Lake Placid, just north of the Tower. Visiting Rotarians always welcome. Coffee only is \$2; full breakfast is \$7. Call 465-4834.

■ **Scottish American Society of the Highlands** meets first Wednesday in the First Presbyterian Church Fellowship Hall, corner of Franklin and Poinsettia streets, Sebring. Gathering starts at 7 p.m., meeting begins at 7:30 p.m. Anyone of Scottish heritage or with an interest in Scottish culture can attend. For details, call Joe and Ria Campbell at 471-9438.

■ **Sebring Bridge Club** has Bridge, ACBL Duplicate at the clubhouse, 347 N. Fernleaf, Sebring at 12:30 Wednesdays. For details or info on lessons, call 385-8118.

■ **Sebring Doll Club** meets at 10:30 a.m. the first Wednesday at St. John's Methodist Church in Sebring. For details, call 465-0480.

■ **Sebring Downtown Merchants and Professionals Association** meets 5 p.m. at the Cat House Restaurant, Sebring on first Wednesday.

■ **Sebring Eagles Club 4240** joint officers meet at 6 p.m. first Monday. Pizza and darts is at 7:30 p.m. at the club, 12921 U.S. 98, Sebring. For details, call 655-4007. Auxiliary meeting at 7 p.m. the first and third Wednesday at the club, 12921 U.S. 98, Sebring. For details, call 655-4007.

■ **Sebring Elks Lodge 1529** hosts Wacky Wednesday from 5-6:30 p.m. serving a varied menu of food for \$6 and special drink prices. Lounge open from 1-8 p.m. Open to Elk members and guests. Music provided from 4:30-7:30 p.m. Smoke-free environment. For details, call 471-3557.

■ **Sebring Jaycees** meets 7:30 p.m., Jaycees Clubhouse, State Road 17, Sebring.

■ **Sebring Kiwanis** meets noon, Homer's Smorgasbord, Sebring.

■ **Sebring Library** has story-time at 10 a.m. for ages 3-5 except during holidays.

■ **Sebring Moose Lodge 2259** serves hamburgers, fries and fish sandwiches from 5-7 p.m. at 11675 U.S. 98, Sebring. Beef franks and Italian sausages served from 1 p.m. to closing. There will be music from 4:30-7:30 p.m. For details, call 655-3920.

■ **Sebring Recreation Club** has ice cream shuffleboard at 1:15 p.m. at 333 Pomegranate Ave., Sebring. Call 385-2966.

■ **Sebring Scribblers and Scribes**, a Florida Writer's association group, will meet at Sebring Beef O'Brady's, 2940 U.S. 27, behind McDonald's. The group will meet at 7 p.m. on the first Wednesday of each month. Come earlier to eat dinner. Membership in FWA is encouraged but not required. The public is invited. For information, call 402-9181.

■ **Suicide and Sudden Death Grief Support group** meets every Wednesday, 6 p.m., at Unity Life Enrichment Center, 10417 Orange Blossom Blvd, Sebring. Facilitated by licensed therapist. Call 381-4410.

■ **Sun N' Lakes Lake Placid Recreation District** hosts a card party on first Wednesday at the Sun 'N Lakes South Community Center, 440 S Sun 'N Lakes Blvd., Lake Placid. A full lunch is served. Cost is \$5. Put players together for a table and call 465-2850 for reservations and further information.

■ **Take Off Pounds Sensibly FL 487** meets at 9 a.m. at Whispering Pines Baptist Church, 303 White Pine Drive, Sebring. For details, call 382-7716 or 314-9485.

■ **Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 3800** plays poker at 2 p.m. at the post, 1224 County Road 621 East, Lake Placid. For more details, call 699-5444.

■ **Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 4300** food available 5-7 p.m. Entertainment 5-8 p.m. 2011 SE Lakeview Drive, Sebring. Service officer at post 12-3 p.m. For details, call 385-8902.

■ **Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 9853 Auxiliary** meets at 2 p.m. first Wednesday at the post, 75 N. Olivia Drive, Avon Park.

■ **Volunteers of America of Florida** is a nonprofit organization in Sebring that specializes in assisting person's with mental illness. We are pleased to announce our Drop in Center is open to individuals with a mental illness 6 days a week from 11am to 3 pm. The center offers a welcoming environment where individuals

are accepted and feel comfortable. For more information please contact Wendy at 863-382-2022.

■ **Young Artists String Orchestra** (YASO) rehearses each Wednesday at 5:15 p.m. at Lake Placid Church of the Nazarene (512 W. Interlake). We are looking for violin, viola, cello, and string bass players to be a part of this orchestra. For information, call Diane Osborne, conductor, at 659-4541 or (503) 709-1440.

THURSDAY

■ **Alzheimer's Association Support Group** meets from 1-2 p.m. and from 6:30-7:30 p.m. at the Sebring Christian Church on Hammock Road. For details, call Lisa Rodriguez at 385-3444.

■ **American Legion Placid Post 25 Lake Placid** has lounge hours 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Card games played at 1 p.m. Pool tournament is 7 p.m. For details, call 465-7940.

■ **American Legion Post 74** open noon to 8 p.m. Customer Appreciation Day. Free food. Happy hour all day. Call 471-1448.

■ **Bravehearts**, an Ala-Non support group, meets from 1-2 p.m. at Spring Lake Presbyterian Church. For details, call 655-3274.

■ **Bridge Club of Sebring** (American Contract Bridge Club) plays novice duplicate games at 12:30 p.m. at 347 Fernleaf Ave., Sebring, November through May. For details, call 385-8118.

■ **Central Avon Park Jaycees** meets 8 p.m., first and third Thursday, city recreation building, North Verona Avenue, Avon Park.

■ **Fibromyalgia Recovery Support Group** meetings are the first Thursday of every month. The introductory video is shown at 12:30 p.m. Returning members will join in at 2 p.m. The group meets at the Union Congregational Church, 106 N. Butler, Avon Park. For more information call 386-5017.

■ **Fletcher Music Club** meets every Thursday and Tuesday at Fletcher Music Center in Lakeshore Mall, Sebring. For more details, call 385-3288.

■ **Harmony Hoedowners Square Dance Club** offers beginning dance lessons for new and returning dancers from 4-6 p.m. Thursday, and classes for last year's dancers from 2-4 p.m. at Reflections On Silver Lake in Avon Park. For more information, call Sam Dunn at 382-6792 or e-mail him at samduinn@samduinn.net.

■ **Heartland Horses & Handicapped Inc.** provides free assisted riding sessions for adults and children with special needs from 9-11 a.m. Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday at 118 W. College Drive, Avon Park. For details or to volunteer, call Mary McClelland, coordinator, 452-0006.

■ **Highlands County Corvette Club** meets 7:30 p.m., first Thursday. For more details, call Walt Blakeslee, 471-9829.

■ **Highlands County Genealogical Society** meets at 1 p.m. first Thursday, October through May, in the Sebring Library. Volunteers help people research family history from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays. For details, call 471-2734, 465-6763 or 452-5939. The Web site is

www.heartlineweb.org/hcgs/.

■ **Highlands County Narcotics Anonymous** meets at 8 p.m. at St. Agnes Episcopal Church on Lakeview Drive in Sebring. For details, call the 24-hour hotline 1-800-850-7347 or (941) 616-0460.

■ **Highlands County Ostomy Support Group** meets from 12-2 p.m. first Thursday at Homer's Smorgasbord. Members purchase own lunch. For details, call Myrtle Pence at 655-4887 or Paul Orth at 386-0287 or e-mail: orthfam@strato.net

■ **Highlands Little Theatre's** general membership meeting is first Thursday. Social hour is at 6 p.m. Meeting is at 7 p.m.

■ **Highlands Pedalers**, a local bicycle club, meets at 7 p.m. first Thursday at Kenilworth Lodge, Sebring. For details, log onto www.highlandspedalers.com.

■ **Highlands Little Theatre** general membership meets first Thursday at 356 W. Center Ave., Sebring. Social hour is at 6 p.m. with the meeting at 7 p.m. New members are welcome. For details, call 385-2175.

■ **Hope Hospice** grief support group meets at 11 a.m. every Thursday at the Avon Park Library, 100 N. Museum Ave. Call 382-0312.

■ **Greater Kenilworth Neighborhood Watch** will now be meeting at the Military Sea Services Museum at the corner of Kenilworth Boulevard and Roseland Avenue, the first Thursday of each month at 6 p.m.

■ **Lake Placid Elks Lodge 2661** has lounge hours beginning at 1 p.m. Card games and bingo are at 6 p.m. with burgers, sandwiches and desserts served. The lodge is open to members and their guests. For details, call 465-2661.

■ **Lake Placid Moose** serves burgers, jumbo hot dogs and fries at 6 p.m. Music provided from 5:30-9 p.m. Darts at 7:30 p.m. Open to members and qualified guests only.

■ **Lake Placid Noon Rotary Club** meets at noon at Peppercorn's, 525 W. Interlake Blvd. For more information, including how to order lunch in advance, call Forrest Steele at 465-0113.

■ **Lake Placid Woodcarvers** meet from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Cultural Center, 127 Dal Hall Blvd. For information call Dan Daszek at 465-7730.

■ **Lifeline Home Health Care** offers blood pressure screening 10 a.m. to noon every first Thursday at Publix Supermarket, Southgate Shopping Center, Sebring.

■ **Loyal Order of Moose**, Highlands County Lodge No. 2494, 1318 W Bell St., Avon Park. Tacos and wings served every Thursday from 5:30-6:30 p.m. Cards at 6:30 p.m. Lodge phone number 452-0579.

■ **Moms Together - A Moms Group** Shattering the Superwoman Myth! Join our moms group the first and third Thursday at First Baptist Church of Sebring from 6-7:30 p.m. Childcare is provided for children to age 12. Call the church office at 385-5154 or Rebekah 314-9336.

■ **Narcotics Anonymous Take It Easy Group** meets at 8 p.m. at St. Agnes Episcopal Church, 3840 Lakeview Drive, Sebring. For information call Heartland area helpline (863) 683-0630. More information on other meetings and events

at www.nafheartland.org.

■ **New Beginnings**, a support group for people with traumatic brain injury and their family members, meets at 6 p.m. every first Thursday (October through April) at the office of Handicapped Americans Love of Life Organization, 112 Medical Center Ave., Sebring. Refreshments will be served. For details, call 385-1196 or e-mail to halla@tnni.net.

■ **Overeaters Anonymous** meets from 4-5 p.m. every Thursday at Ridge Area Arc Cafeteria, 120 W. College Drive. No dues, fees or weigh-ins. Visit www.FloridaRidgeIntergroup.com. For details, call 414-3172. Visit www.aa.org for more information on OA.

■ **Overeaters Anonymous** meets from 5:30-6:30 p.m. every Thursday at Wauchula Seventh-Day Adventist Church, 205 S. 11th Ave., Wauchula. No dues, fees or weigh-ins. Visit www.FloridaRidgeIntergroup.com. For details, call (863) 773-5714.

■ **Placid Lakes Bridge Club** meets 6-9 p.m. at Placid Lakes Town Hall, 2010 Placid Lakes Blvd. For details, call 465-4888.

■ **Pine Ridge Promenaders** will be dancing from 7:30-9:30 p.m. at the Sunshine RV Park recreation hall located 1,000 yards east of U.S. 27 on State Road 70. For more details, call Dan or Nell Sherman at 465-2481 or 243-9676.

■ **Sebring Breakfast Lions Club** meets 7 a.m. at Dot's Restaurant in Sebring Square. For information, call 471-0118.

■ **Sebring Chapter 126 Order of Eastern Star** meets at 7:30 p.m. first and third Thursday at the Masonic Lodge on Home Avenue in Sebring. There are no meetings from July through September. For details, call the Worthy Matron Jo Carney at 655-0371.

■ **Sebring Country Estates Civic Association** hosts Ladies Cards at 12:30 p.m. every Thursday. Business meeting every second Thursday at 7 p.m. Carry-in dinner every fourth Thursday at 6 p.m. Membership is \$10 per person. Located at 3240 Grand Prix Drive. For all residents of Sebring Country Estates and Grand Prix Heights subdivision. Public rentals available for special events. Call 385-9109.

■ **Sebring Eagles Club 4240** serves hamburgers and french fries from 5-7 p.m. Music is from 6-9 p.m. at the club, 12921 U.S. 98, Sebring. For details, call 655-4007.

■ **Sebring Elks Lodge 1529** meets 7 p.m. first and third Thursdays at the lodge on the corner of Lakeview Drive and Kenilworth Boulevard, Sebring. Smoke-free environment. Call 385-8647 or 382-0339 for more details.

■ **Sebring Moose Lodge 2259** has joint officers meeting at 7 p.m. at 11675 U.S. 98, Sebring. Beef franks and Italian sausages served from 1 p.m. to closing. For details, call 655-3920.

■ **Sebring Rhythm Cloggers** dance at 6:30 p.m. at Highlands Hammock State Park Recreation Room in Sebring. If interested, call 382-3735 or 382-6973.

■ **Sebring Sunrise Rotary Club** meets 7 a.m., Sebring Elks Club, corner of Kenilworth Boulevard and Southeast

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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 Lakeview Drive.
■ Sweet Adeline's Show Chorus meets at 7 p.m. every Thursday in the Avon Park Rotary Club, 20 S. Verona Ave. For details, call Jeanne Parzygnat at 699-0743; Bette Killeen at 446-3106 or Anita Helbig at 452-1927.
■ Tender Touch Support Group meets 7 p.m., first and third Thursdays, Marge Brewster Center, 155 U.S. 27 N., Sebring.
■ Take Off Pounds Sensibly meets at Venus United Methodist Church, 962 County Road 731, Venus. Weigh in is from 5-5:30 p.m. Meeting is from 5:30-6:30 p.m. Call 465-9165 for details.
■ Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 3880, 1224 County Road 621 East, Lake Placid. The men's auxiliary meets at 7 p.m. the first Thursday. For more details, call 699-5444.

■ Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 4300 serves hamburgers from 12-1:30 and plays bingo at 1:30 p.m. at the post, 2011 SE Lakeview Drive, Sebring. For more details call 385-8902.
■ Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 9853 bar bingo is at 1 p.m. every Thursday.
FRIDAY
■ Alcoholics Anonymous One Day At A Time group meets for a closed discussion at 9:30 a.m. Monday and Friday at Covenant Presbyterian Church, 4500 Sun 'N Lakes Blvd., Sebring. For details, call 314-0891.
■ American Legion Post 25 hosts a fish fry from 5-7 p.m. at the post, 1490 U.S. 27, Lake Placid. Cost is \$6. Shrimp also is available for same price. Open to the public. Tickets in the lounge on Friday night. Lounge hours are from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. For

details, call 465-7940.
■ American Legion Post 74 has karaoke from 7 p.m. until final call at the post, 528 N. Pine St., Sebring. Post open at noon. Happy Hour from 4-6 p.m. Members and guests only. For details, call 471-1448.
■ Avon Park Breakfast Rotary Club meets 7 a.m., Rotary Club building.
■ Bridge Club of Sebring (American Contract Bridge Club) plays duplicate games at 12:30 p.m. at 347 Fernleaf Ave., Sebring. For details, call 385-8118.
■ Harmony Hoedowners Square Dance Club offers a class in Lake Placid at the Sunshine RV Resort from 9-11 a.m. Friday. For more information, call Sam Dunn at 382-6792 or e-mail him at sam-dunn@samdunn.net.
■ Highlands Social Dance Club hosts ballroom dancing every Friday, October through

March from 7-9:30 p.m. at the Senior Center on Sebring Parkway. Dance the night away to the music of the area's Big Bands. All club dances are open to the public. Appropriate dress required. Admission is \$5 for members and \$7 for non-members. Call 385-6671.
■ Lake Placid Elks Lodge 2661 has lounge hours beginning at 1 p.m. There is a fish fry from 5-7 p.m. Cost is \$8.50 per person. The lodge is open to members and their guests. For details, call 465-2661.
■ Lake Placid Moose serves wings, fish and burgers at 6 p.m. Music provided from 7-11 p.m. Pool tournament is at 8 p.m. Open to members and qualified guests only.
■ Loyal Order of Moose, Highlands County Lodge No. 2494, 1318 W Bell St., Avon Park. Karaoke from 7-10 p.m. Lodge phone number 452-0579.

■ MOM's Club meets at 10:30 a.m. first Friday at the First United Methodist Church on Pine Street in Sebring.
■ Narcotics Anonymous New Day Group meets at 6 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church, 319 Poinsettia Ave, Sebring. For information call Heartland area helpline (863) 683-0630. More information on other meetings and events at www.nafheartland.org.
■ Sebring Bridge Club has Bridge, ACBL Duplicate at the clubhouse, 347 N. Fernleaf, Sebring at 12:30 Fridays. For details or info on lessons, call 385-8118.
■ Sebring Eagles Club 4240 serves chicken or fish baskets from 5-7 p.m. at the club, 12921 U.S. 98, Sebring, for a \$4 donation. Blind darts is played at 7 p.m. For details, call 655-4007.
■ Sebring Elks Lodge 1529 serving buffet dinner at 5-7 p.m. Elks and guests invited.

Dance music in ballroom at 6:30 p.m. Dinner and dance is \$10 donation. Smoke-free environment. For reservations, call 385-8647 or 471-3557. Lounge is open from 1-10 p.m.
■ Sebring Moose Lodge 2259 serves beef franks and Italian sausages served from 1 p.m. to closing at 11675 U.S. 98, Sebring. For details, call 655-3920.
■ Sebring Recreation Club plays bridge at 12:30 p.m. and table tennis at 4 p.m. at 333 Pomegranate Ave. For details, call 385-2966 or leave a name, number and message.
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CELEBRATIONS

A'Mya Coleman

Crystal and Patrick Coleman of Avon Park announce the birth of a daughter, A'Mya Sanaa, at 7:47 a.m. on July 26, 2011 at Florida Hospital Heartland Medical Center, Sebring.

A'Mya weighed 7 pounds, 15 ounces and measured 21.5 inches in length.

Maternal grandparents are Brian and Nancy Wakeland of Avon Park.

Paternal grandparents are James and Linda Coleman of Avon Park.



Births

Christopher Davis Jr.

Christi Walton and Chris Davis of Lake Placid announce the birth of a son, Christopher Clay Jr., at 7:37 p.m. on July 29, 2011 at Highlands Regional Medical Center, Sebring.

Christopher weighed 6 pounds, 2 ounces and measured 18.5 pounds.

Maternal grandparents are Angela and Jesse James and Ellis Walton.

Paternal grandparents are Linda and Ray Davis.

Alicia Hill

Alexis Van Gilder and Jaron Hill of Sebring announce the birth of a daughter, Alicia Leigh-Mae, at 8:45 p.m. on July 25, 2011 at Florida Hospital Heartland Medical Center, Sebring.

Alicia weighed 8 pounds, 4 ounces and measured 20 inches in length.

Maternal grandparents are Pete and Dawn Van Gilder of Hiram, Ga.

Paternal grandparents are Michelle Johnston and Stan Hill of Sebring.

Ayua Jones

Audra Hernandez and Jamar Jones of Frostproof announce the birth of a daughter, Ayua Lauren, at 11:51 p.m. on July 27, 2011 at Florida Hospital Heartland Medical Center, Sebring.

Ayua weighed 9 pounds and measured 22 inches in length.

Maternal grandparents are Celia Johnson and Blaine Johnson.

Paternal grandparents are Noel Jones and Kim Jones of Bowling Green.

Ella Kellaway

Crystal Kellaway of Avon

Matthews.

Paternal grandparents are Larry and Lorraine Lenoff.

Colton Murphy

Courtney Packard and Robert Murphy of Wauchula announce the birth of a son, Colton Michael, at 1:04 p.m. on July 25, 2011 at Florida Hospital Heartland Medical Center, Sebring.

Colton weighed 7 pounds, 3 ounces and measured 19.5 inches in length.

Maternal grandparents are Randy and Cheri Packard of Rotunda.

Paternal grandparents are Wanda and Mickey Murphy.

Jaxon Piriz

Christian and Abdel Piriz of Avon Park announce the birth of a son, Jaxon Lee at 1:45 p.m., on July 21, 2011, at Florida Hospital Heartland Medical Center, Sebring.

Jaxon weighed 6 pounds, 13 ounces and measured 21 inches in length.

Maternal grandparents are Dennis and Amanda Elder of Avon Park.

Paternal grandparents are Jose Luis Gonzalez and Tania Samad of Miami.

Tristen Quetot

Rachel and Philip Quetot of Sebring announce the birth of a son, Tristen James Tyler, at 12:08 p.m. on July

26, 2011 at Florida Hospital Heartland Medical Center, Sebring.

Tristen weighed 8 pounds, 6 ounces and measured 20 inches in length.

Maternal grandmother is Juanita Hartley of Sebring.

Paternal grandparents are Maureen and Rex Neff of Avon Park, Donald Quetot of Lake Wales.

Jordan Strickland

Stephany Hall and Steve Strickland Jr. of Sebring announce the birth of a son, Jordan Wyatt, at 8:17 a.m. on July 26, 2011 at Florida Hospital Heartland Medical Center, Sebring.

Jordan weighed 6 pounds, 11 ounces and measured 19 inches in length.

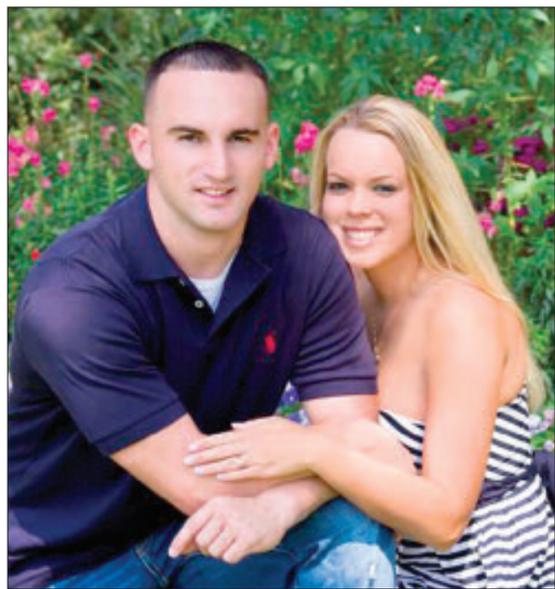
Mackayla Williams

Christina and Michael Williams of Sebring announce the birth of a daughter, Mackayla, at 6:35 p.m. on July 25, 2011 at Highlands Regional Medical Center, Sebring.

Mackayla weighed 8 pounds, 15 ounces and measured 21.25 inches in length.

Maternal grandparents are Dora Wolvin and Bill Wolvin, Bob and Susette Lee.

Paternal grandparents are Michael and Brenda Williams.



Elisabeth Eidenberger and Lewis Carroll

Eidenberger-Carroll

Elisabeth Eidenberger and Lynn Donovan are pleased to announce their engagement and upcoming marriage.

Elisabeth is the daughter of Tom and Sandi Eidenberger of Sebring. A 2004 graduate of Sebring High School, she is a para-

Engagement

medic in Highlands County. Donovan is the son of Marion and Kimberlee Carroll of Lake Placid. A 2004 graduate of Lemon Bay High School, he is employed as a firefighter for Desoto County.

The wedding will be Nov. 5, 2011 at St. Agnes Episcopal Church in Sebring.

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CLUBS & ORGANIZATIONS

Rotary gets K-9 demonstration

Special to the News-Sun
SEBRING — On July 18, the Rotary Club of Highlands County received a special treat. The Sebring Police Department's K-9 dog (J.R.) along with K-9 Officer John Garrison and Detective Paul Deshazo presented an excellent program to the club. Officer Garrison first gave a brief talk about the capabilities of the four-legged officer. Then the club members, guests and visiting Rotarians, along with restaurant patrons and staff, assembled in the parking lot of Beef 'O Brady's to see J.R. in action. After the demonstration it was easy to see why J.R. completed his training well ahead of schedule. You can feel safe knowing that these officers and especially J.R., are on duty.



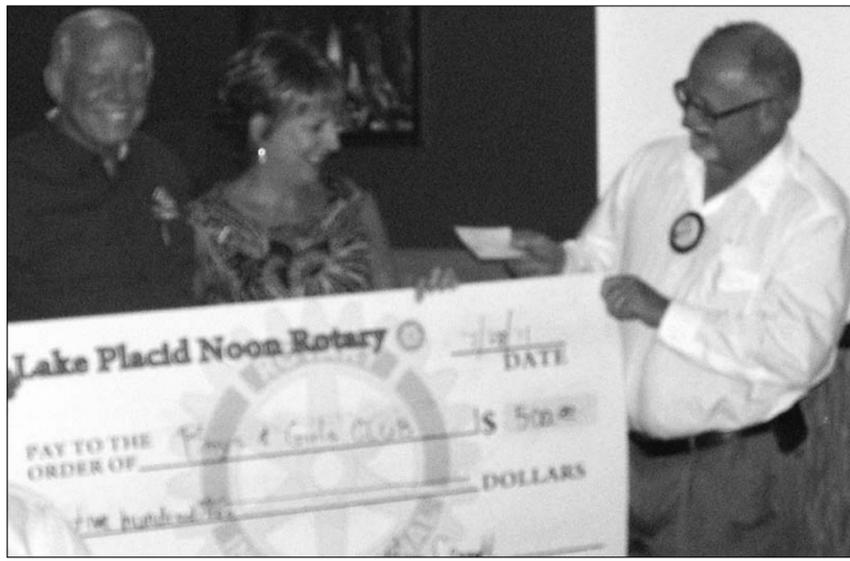
Courtesy photo
The Sebring Police Department's K-9 dog (J.R.) along with K-9 Officer John Garrison made a presentation to the Highlands County Rotary Club on July 18. The club helped raise funds for the dog's bullet-proof vest.

Another treat for the club at this meeting: A number of guests who are possibly potential members of the club. Their attendance was due to the diligent efforts of

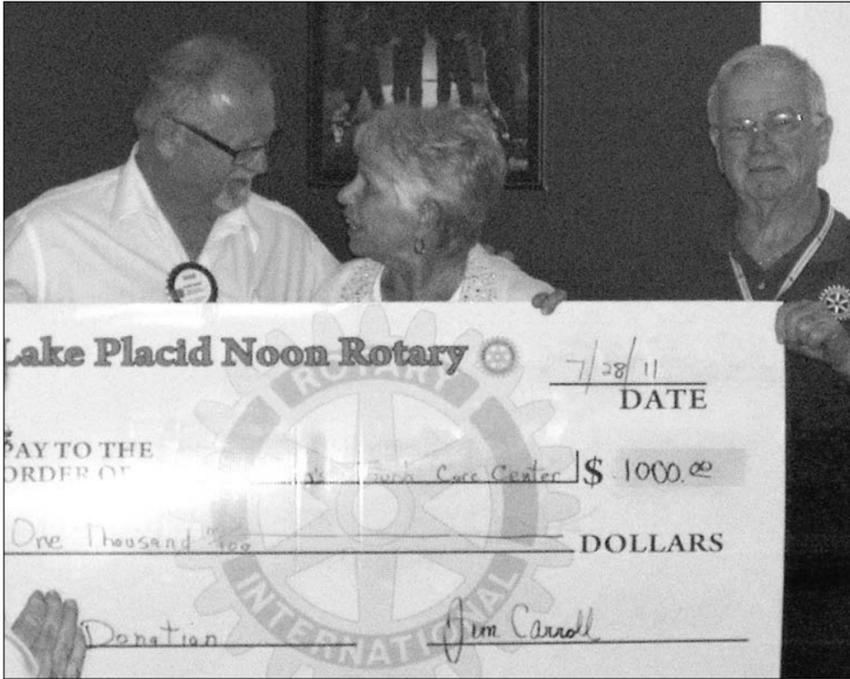
the membership committee attending, meetings are on Terry Elwood, Sarah Palone and Kristen Koetje. During Monday evenings at 6:15 p.m. at Beef 'O Brady's. .

For more information on Rotary, call Joyce Fettingger at 381-8053.

LP Noon Rotary makes donations



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Laura Shirley from ReMax Realty, a diamond sponsor for the Rotary's Wild Game Dinner, was awarded \$500 to give to the organization of their choice, of which they gave to the Boy's and Girl's Club. Wally Randell (left) accepted the check.



Courtesy photo
Susan Elam, operations director, was the speaker from Samaritan's Touch in Lake Placid. The facility supports those in need in the community, and on Aug. 15 will begin offering medical attention to those who qualify. The facility will be open from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday.

TOPS Club 487

SEBRING — The July 27 meeting had six TOPS and three KOPS giving the pledges. Yes-Yeses are portion control, write it down, water, count calories, fruit, vegetables and exercise. There were six winners in the 25-cent contest at 35 cents each. Leslie Maschue won 90 cents in the 10-cent contest. Sharon Flaherty has one week to go to win the Mystery Gift and Ann Marvin found another wrapper on

Snapshots

the Attendance Box. Best Loser was Judy Phillips and last week's Best Loser won the \$1 coupon. Lillian Orton gave the program on "Tips for Staying Healthy on the Road," which are exercise, drink water, keep low calorie snacks handy, eat healthy, to name a few. For information on TOPS and the chapter, call 382-7716 or 314-9485.

FRIENDS & NEIGHBORS

Tropical Harbor Estates

By Arlene Clouston

LAKE PLACID — There were less than 50 people at our coffee July 25. Where have all our residents gone? Ron Wilds made the coffee. Andy Anderson was our emcee and has been for the month of July. After his usual jokes he called on our Sunshine gal, Bonnie Allen, and she listed the following convalescence: Ed Cromer, Harry Stutzman and Gil Harrington. These people need your thoughts and well wishes and prayers. We were happy to see Peggy Sue Teague back this morning after her rehab stay. It is also good to know that Carol and Will Noel are back from their vacation and Will's unexpected hospital stay.

We sang "Happy Anniversary" to John and Sylvia Fitch. It is their 61st.

James Hogan announced the August date of the pancake breakfast as Aug. 6. The men are continuing the pancake breakfast all through the summer months. Evelyn Guiney said that the Tropical Harbor paper would be coming out this week. People will be able to pick their copy up in the clubhouse as the paper is not delivered during the summer months.

Porch lights will be on the evening of Aug. 2 in Tropical Harbor Estates. It is the National Community Night

Out and get-together of our residents and the sheriff's office. They will come to our park and cook hamburgers and hot dogs while we, the residents, bring dishes to pass. It should be a pleasant for all.

We have guests in the park: Miss Addison Molina came with her parents Terry and Jim Molina to visit Addison's grandparents Brenda and Rick Knoche. Ann Rissmiller was visited by her son, Bill, and his family. Joe and Pat Schweiger were surprised by visits by their two sons, Joe Schweiger and his friend from California and Quentin Schweiger and his family from the east coast. It was good to see that John and Carolyn Reece were back from their vacation. Emma Zweigler is leaving after visiting her grandmother, Dee Zeigler. She

has been helping Dee lead the pool exercises for the past two weeks. We will miss her.

The ladies coffee was handled by Marilyn Cromer. We were glad to see that there were 11 of us at the meeting. We discussed the August schedule: Tuesday, Aug. 9 is the Salad Bar Luncheon; Sunday, Aug. 14 the Military Soup and Sandwich and Thursday, Aug. 25 is the monthly carry-in dinner.

Marilyn Christensen requests help for two hours on Saturday morning as they volunteer at the Lake Placid Health Care Center playing bingo. Men and women can help and your presence is appreciated by the residents.

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Paul McCullough

Hosting Tips and Menu Ideas

- Have a variety of beverages on hand — from fruit juices and a morning cocktail to plenty of hot teas and good coffee. I like serving Starbucks Natural Fusions naturally-flavored coffees because unlike some other flavored packaged coffee, they're made with real ingredients, like vanilla, cinnamon and nutmeg, blended right in with the coffee.
- A continental brunch is the easiest to pull together. Purchase a variety of breakfast breads and artfully arrange. Stack books under a decorative cloth to create different levels and ensure visual interest.
- Keep your guest list small unless you can enlist a friend to help cook. After all, you want to be a good host while enjoying your brunch and spending time with each guest.
- A brunch should incorporate elements of breakfast and lunch with harmony. Contrast the blueberry muffins and coffee-glazed scones with smoked salmon with capers and onions and a hearty egg dish that is packed with flavor. Try a scramble with new filling combinations like chicken and asparagus, or crab and avocado with a dollop of sour cream and chives.
- Superhero Scramble is a taste sensation my Hollywood clients love. It's easy to make; start by sautéing one pound of spinach. Mix with one pound of browned and crumbled turkey sausage and a half cup of julienned sundried tomato. Set that aside. Scramble a dozen eggs until almost finished, but still soft. Fold in the spinach/sausage mixture and sprinkle with eight ounces of seasoned feta cheese. Serve it with Starbucks Natural Fusions Cinnamon flavored coffee.
- Cut pineapple into slices and freeze them without overlapping each other. Use them in place of ice to cool down your sparkling water or Screwdrivers. Freeze grape tomatoes and garnish your Bloody Marys.
- For perfectly fluffy scrambled eggs, heat a medium size pan over medium heat. Melt a tablespoon of butter for every four eggs. Make sure the butter is melted and bubbly but not brown. Beat the eggs in a bowl with a pinch of kosher salt, pepper and one tablespoon of water. Then add to the pan and let them cook without stirring until they set a bit. With a spatula, push the eggs to the center, which creates folds of fluffy eggs. Push again as the eggs firm up. Slide from the pan when they are still a little wet. They'll keep cooking for a minute or two. Top with cheese.
- Create a Sunday Brunch Punch Bowl made of ice. Use two glass bowls, one a little smaller than the other. Cut a 1/2-inch-thick lemon slice and set in the bottom center of the larger bowl. Put the second bowl on top of it and place a weight in it, like a 32-ounce canned product. Fill the space between the two bowls with sliced lemon and oranges or flowers. Slowly pour in distilled water (it freezes clearer than tap). Freeze for four to five hours, checking about 40 minutes in to push any citrus or flowers that have drifted up. To unmold it, place the bowls in a sink of warm water for about 15 seconds. The bottom bowl should release with a twist. Then repeat with the inside bowl. Wrap in aluminum foil and put into the freezer until you're ready to use it.



Maple, Brown Sugar and Coffee Bacon

- 1 pound thick-cut bacon (10 slices)
- 2 tablespoons Starbucks Natural Fusions Vanilla flavored ground coffee
- 2/3 cup packed brown sugar
- 1 tablespoon real maple syrup
- 2 tablespoons freshly brewed Starbucks Natural Fusions Vanilla flavored coffee
- Fresh cracked pepper

Preheat oven to 375°F. Line a rimmed baking pan with parchment or waxed paper and set a flat rack on top.

Lay bacon strips on rack, with edges touching. Sprinkle bacon strips evenly with half of the ground coffee. In a small bowl, combine brown sugar, brewed coffee and maple syrup, stirring to blend. Brush the bacon with half of sugar mixture. Add coarse fresh cracked pepper lightly (or generously) over bacon.

Bake 15 minutes. Carefully turn bacon over and sprinkle with remaining coffee, brush with remaining sugar glaze and cracked pepper. Bake until crispy, 10 minutes more. Caution — sugar glaze is very hot. Allow to cool for 3 to 4 minutes before serving.

Paul's Popovers

Makes 12 popovers

- 5 eggs
- 1 2/3 cups half and half
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- Butter, double cream or jam
- 1 12 cup muffin pan

Preheat oven to 450°F. Place eggs and half and half in a large bowl beat with a whisk until blended. Add flour and salt and mix well. Mixture should resemble pancake batter — small lumps are okay.

Even if you have a non-stick muffin pan, use a light coat of cooking spray. Fill each cup 3/4 full. Place on middle rack of oven. Make sure that the top rack is placed high enough so that the popovers do not come in contact with it as they rise. Close the door and do not peek for 30 minutes.

Serve with butter or double cream and jam.

Owner of Paul's Kitchen catering business, McCullough specializes in classic American cuisine and is known for his simple and down-to-earth approach to cooking, resulting in upscale food that's not uptight.

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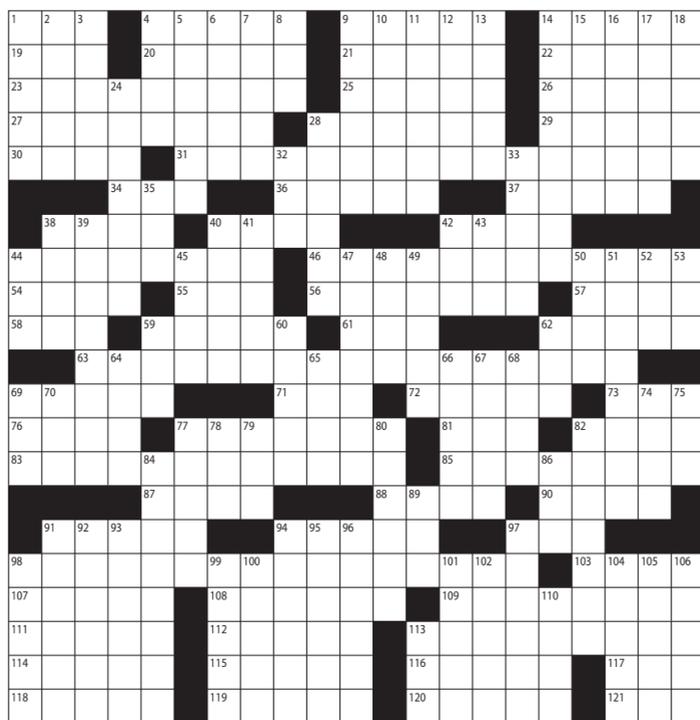
DIVERSIONS

NINE OF DIAMONDS

ACROSS
 1 Crackerjack
 4 Org. fighting pirates?
 9 Pink shade
 14 Wyle and Webster
 19 Man of mystery
 20 Stylish
 21 Mountain ridge
 22 Hit TV show that ended in 2011
 23 Cuts in a cardboard container?
 25 American-born Japanese
 26 Prefix with meter or methylene
 27 Tax lawyer's find
 28 Heel
 29 7'1" former N.B.A. star
 30 Feminine suffix
 31 Yelled initially?
 34 Nursery noise
 36 Empty
 37 26 of the 44 U.S. presidents: Abbr.
 38 Instruction part
 40 Beach site, maybe
 42 It might be skipped
 44 So-so formal dance?
 46 Went far too slowly during the 10K?
 54 State symbols of North Dakota and Massachusetts
 55 Leader who said "All reactionaries are paper tigers"
 56 Slight
 57 "Use the Force, ___"
 58 Arizona is the only state to have one
 59 Attach to
 61 "Rocks"
 62 Certain helicopter
 63 Piece of black-market playground equipment?
 69 Cousin of kerplunk
 71 ___ for life
 72 Purple shade
 73 Press
 76 It comes out in the wash
 77 Northernmost borough of London
 81 Freud's one
 82 Antlered animal
 83 Wool or cotton purchase request?
 85 Disgusting advice?
 87 Way out
 88 24 hrs. ago

90 Isle of the Inner Hebrides
 91 Brown-___
 94 New York's historic ___ Library
 97 Top of a ladder?: Abbr.
 98 Whiskey bottle dregs?
 103 Courtroom entry
 107 Corporate shake-up, for short
 108 Beyond ___
 109 People whose jobs include giving tours
 111 To have, in Le Havre
 112 "I don't give ___!"
 113 Nobleman after a banquet?
 114 Rita Hayworth's femme fatale title role of 1946
 115 Effects of many waterfalls
 116 Felt bad
 117 Bind
 118 Toothpaste brand once advertised as having the secret ingredient GL-70
 119 Not settled
 120 Hits and runs
 121 Rev.'s address

DOWN
 1 Mosey
 2 Perform Hawaiian music, say
 3 Shell alternative
 4 "Uncle Moses" novelist Sholem
 5 Smack
 6 French first lady ___
 Bruni-Sarkozy
 7 Staggering
 8 Game tally: Abbr.
 9 It was invaded in the War of 1812
 10 Prayer
 11 Airlift, maybe
 12 Really bugged
 13 Orphan girl in Byron's "Don Juan"
 14 Seldom
 15 Urging at a birthday party
 16 I-5 through Los Angeles, e.g.
 17 Heckle, e.g.



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18 Thou follower?
 24 Some volcanoes
 28 Doesn't stop, in a way
 32 Pitcher part
 33 Animal with a snout
 35 Urgent transmission, for short
 38 Result of a pitch, perhaps
 39 Schedule opening
 40 Trolley sound
 41 Distant
 42 Side in checkers
 43 Metered praise
 44 Tasseled topper
 45 Leader exiled in 1979
 47 Not much
 48 Nobelist Walesa
 49 Queen's request, maybe
 50 Skin cream ingredient
 51 Adds insult to injury, say
 52 Land on the Sea of Azov: Abbr.

53 Cultural org.
 59 Stomach area
 60 Deferential denial
 62 Junk bond rating
 64 Something on a hog?
 65 Stalk by a stream
 66 Feudal lands
 67 Ex-governor Spitzer of New York
 68 When repeated, a TV sign-off
 69 Kind of story
 70 Hi-tech organizer
 74 Sonoma neighbor
 75 Metric wts.
 77 Vast, in verse
 78 Vietnam's ___ Dinh Diem
 79 "What ___?"
 80 Towel
 82 Reach at a lower level
 84 Emoticon, e.g.
 86 See 102-Down
 89 "___ tu" (Verdi aria)
 91 Words following see, hear and speak
 92 1972 Best Actor nominee for "The Ruling Class"
 93 Winning length in a horse race
 94 Finally
 95 Side in a pickup game
 96 Minute
 97 Swiss quarters?
 98 Confederate general who won at Chickamauga
 99 Noted 1991 Harvard Law grad
 100 Supplied, as data
 101 Slot machine symbols, often
 102 With 86-Down, what Washington purportedly could not do
 104 Boors
 105 Banks who was known as Mr. Cub
 106 Late bloomer
 110 Some notebook screens, for short
 113 Fourth notes

Don't lose your cool

The last thing you need to be doing in the middle of the summer is turning on your oven to make dinner. Unless you like huge utility bills and the extra heat pouring out of your kitchen, that is. I have an easy rule for summer: no oven recipes. My Menu-Mailer subscribers know this and to their great relief, I provide menus from now until September without using the oven. It's easy to implement yourself – let me tell you how you can do this.



Dinner Diva

Leanne Ely

You want to keep the heat in the kitchen to a minimum – especially if your air conditioning is insufficient. So move the cooking, if you can. Utilize your barbecue (and there are so many great recipes just begging for a barbecue – like the one below) as much as you can stand it. You can even grill veggies on the barby – try it, it is absolutely delicious.

You can get these nifty little pans with holes in them and grill to your heart's content (kind of essential, unless you don't mind zucchini slipping through the grill slats). I toss my cut up veggies in a little olive oil and they're just wonderful grilled. Try this combo: red bell pepper, red onion, zucchini, summer squash and mushrooms. Yum!

Another keep-the-kitchen-cool idea is to use your crockpot elsewhere. We used to put it on the screen porch, but I have heard of people moving their slow cookers to the laundry room. You can have all kinds of delicious things cooking in that thing and never have to worry about heating up your kitchen.

When you're dealing with woefully inadequate air conditioning, every little hint helps. And don't forget things like main course salads, sandwiches and fast and easy stove-top suppers.

Doing all of these things will give you a summer kitchen that won't get you all hot and bothered – know what I mean?

Here's a recipe to get you grilling!

Do ahead tip: Make the marinade and get your chicken marinating the night before or first thing in the morning.

Grilled Lemon Garlic Chicken

Serves 6
 6 (6-oz.) boneless skinless chicken breast halves
 1/2 cup lemon juice
 1/4 cup olive oil
 6 cloves garlic, pressed
 2 teaspoons thyme

De Niro to host 9/11 film on CBS

Associated Press
 NEW YORK — Actor Robert De Niro will host CBS' update of its award-winning film on the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks to mark the 10th anniversary next month.

CBS will revisit its film, "9/11," first broadcast in 2002, including new interviews with firefighters and others who were part of the first film. The film contains the only known footage of the first plane striking the World Trade Center.

The special will be broadcast over two hours on the night of the anniversary. De Niro will visit the 9/11 memorial and show viewers progress on the site's rebuilding.

Stylist's hair-raising tales may scare his clients away

Dear Abby: I am a weekly client at an upscale hair salon. I and most of the other customers are over 65. The owner, "Valentino," is a 50ish widower who likes to brag about his romantic conquests. My friends and I agree that his revelations are inappropriate and unprofessional.



Dear Abby

Val is an excellent hairdresser. Should we ignore his behavior, or quit cold turkey and live with bad hair days?

— Embarrassed in the Big Easy

Dear Embarrassed: I have a better idea. Take Valentino aside and tell him privately, as a friend, that hearing the details of his sex life is embarrassing, and that some of his clients have mentioned they're considering changing hairdressers because of it. That should "snip" it.

Dear Abby: My best friend, "Marianne," and I have known each other for 27 years.

She recently got divorced, started playing online games and met a man at one of the sites. Within a couple of months, he had moved across the country with his son and into Marianne's house.

This guy has nothing going for him. He has no job background, no skills, and as near as I can tell, he is a mooch. Marianne says he feels material things aren't important and he is just not

"into" money. Marianne and I get out for a couple of hours a week for "girl time," and when we do, he calls and texts her constantly like a jealous teenager.

Abby, we're 40 years old! I haven't told her how I feel about her new live-in, but I have always had good instincts and my alarm bells are ringing.

Should I tell her how I feel, or try to be happy she has found someone to give her the attention she didn't have in her marriage?

— Sees the Writing on the Wall

Dear Sees the Writing: Of course the man doesn't think material things are important and isn't into money. He is enjoying Marianne's material things and her money. Yes, you should tell your friend you are concerned. Begin by saying your concern stems from a fear that she has gotten seriously involved so quickly after her divorce, and that the man appears to be so insecure and controlling that he can't give her a couple of hours of "girl time" without interruption. That really is a red flag.

And the fact that your friend is supporting him and his son is another.

Dear Abby: A close, longtime family

friend recently passed. In order to relieve some of the pressure on the deceased's family, I volunteered my time and money to organize the reception following the funeral.

There was a lot of food left over, much of it food that I had provided. We offered the leftovers to the family and they took some, but not all of it. I assumed that what was left of my food would go to me and my family, but others (some of whom provided nothing) decided to pack it up for themselves. Am I wrong to feel cheated out of food that I purchased?

— Ticked Off in Massachusetts

Dear Ticked Off: I understand your frustration, but please don't waste your time fuming. The people who took the leftovers without first checking to see who had brought or donated the food probably needed it more than you. These are difficult times, so let it go.

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'Cowboys & Aliens,' 'Smurfs' tie for No. 1 spot

Associated Press
 LOS ANGELES — Little blue Smurfs and not-so-little green men from space are in a photo finish for the No. 1 spot at the weekend box office.

Daniel Craig and Harrison Ford's sci-fi Western "Cowboys & Aliens" and the family adventure "The Smurfs" both opened with \$36.2 million, according to studio estimates Sunday.

That leaves Sony's "Smurfs" and Universal's "Cowboys & Aliens" tied for the top spot. Figuring out the No. 1 movie will have to wait until final numbers are counted Monday.

"In all my years, I've never really seen a race this close," said Paul Dergarabedian, an analyst for box-office tracker Hollywood.com. "Generally, in the world of movie box office, \$1 million is a close

call, so to have two films in a dollar-to-dollar tie is somewhat unprecedented."

Studios often round off their Sunday numbers, which include Friday and Saturday totals plus an estimate of Sunday business based on how similar movies have done in the past.

So Sunday figures typically are rounded off to the nearest \$50,000 or \$100,000, with more accurate, to-the-

dollar numbers generally coming in Monday's final tally.

But Universal released an estimate of \$36,206,250, which would have put "Cowboys & Aliens" a fraction ahead of "The Smurfs" in Sunday's rankings. So Sony, which had reported a rounded-off figure of \$36.2 million, matched that \$36,206,250 estimate for "The Smurfs."

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SUMMER DELIGHTS

Orange Cream Granita

FAMILY FEATURES

Making homemade ice cream for friends and family is a sweet way to celebrate summer — and it's easier than you might think.

Ingrid Hoffmann, host of the Cooking Channel's "Simply Delicioso" and "Delicioso" on Telefuturo/Univision, uses Eagle Brand® Sweetened Condensed Milk as a fool-proof base for these easy-to-make, tropically-inspired frozen treats. You don't even need an ice cream maker — your freezer does the work.



Ingrid Hoffmann

To help you make your summer entertaining even more delightful, Ingrid has some helpful tips:

- Create easy homemade artisan ice cream made fresh with new flavor combinations using berries, lemon, fresh mint, espresso, honey, fresh herbs or spices. Try the recipe for *Fresh Fruit Ice Cream* or *Pineapple and Chipotle Ice Pops* for a cool summer treat.
- For beautiful desserts with little prep work, try layering ice cream between prepared short bread cookies for a gourmet inspired ice cream sandwich or cake. For a real crowd pleaser, create a topping bar where guests can select the ice cream toppings of their choice. You could also serve as ice

pops by freezing the ice cream mixture in molds and inserting wooden craft sticks in the center.

- Instead of serving in a traditional bowl, make a bowl out of your favorite summer fruit. Take half of a small cantaloupe, mini watermelon or pineapple, and scoop out the flesh. Then cut a flat edge off the bottom of the skin to make it stable. Fill it with your ice cream and drizzle with chocolate sauce and add other fun toppings.

Visit www.eaglebrand.com (and in Spanish at www.marcaeeagle.com) for more dessert recipes, as well as helpful baking and entertaining tips.



Fresh Fruit Ice Cream

Fresh Fruit Ice Cream

Yield: about 1 1/2 quarts / Prep Time: 10 minutes

- INGREDIENTS**
- 1 (14 oz.) can Eagle Brand Sweetened Condensed Milk
 - 1 tablespoon vanilla extract
 - 1 cup pureed or mashed fresh fruit, such as peaches, strawberries, bananas and raspberries
 - Food coloring
 - 2 cups (1 pint) heavy cream

- INSTRUCTIONS**
1. COMBINE sweetened condensed milk and vanilla in large bowl; stir in 1 cup pureed fruit and food coloring, if desired. Fold in 2 cups (1 pint) heavy cream (do not use non-dairy whipped topping). Pour into 9 x 5-inch loaf pan or a 2-quart freezer container; cover. Freeze 6 hours or until firm.



Creamy Latte Pops

Orange Cream Granita

Yield: 4 cups
Prep Time: 15 minutes

- INGREDIENTS**
- 3 cups orange juice
 - 1 (14 oz.) can Eagle Brand Sweetened Condensed Milk
 - 1 tablespoon fresh lemon juice
 - 1 tablespoon grated orange peel
 - 3/4 teaspoon rose water (optional)

- INSTRUCTIONS**
1. COMBINE orange juice, sweetened condensed milk, lemon juice, orange peel and rose water, if desired, in large bowl; mix well.
 2. POUR into 9-inch square baking pan. Cover and freeze just until edges are frozen, about 1 1/2 hours. Using a fork, scrape frozen granita toward center to break up ice crystals. Pat mixture evenly into pan. Cover and freeze. Repeat every 30 minutes until granita is firm, about 4 hours.

Creamy Latte Pops

Yield: 12 pops
Prep Time: 10 minutes

- INGREDIENTS**
- 1 (20 oz.) can Eagle Brand Sweetened Condensed Milk
 - 2 cups milk
 - 1 cup heavy cream
 - 1 tablespoon plus 1 teaspoon Folgers Classic Roast® Instant Coffee Crystals
 - 2 teaspoons vanilla extract

- INSTRUCTIONS**
1. BRING sweetened condensed milk to a boil in medium saucepan, stirring frequently. Reduce heat to low and cook, stirring constantly, about 15 minutes or until very thick.
 2. ADD milk, cream and coffee crystals slowly to saucepan on low heat, whisking until well blended. Remove from heat. Stir in vanilla. Cool completely, about 30 minutes.
 3. POUR 1/3 cup cooled mixture into each of 12 (3 oz.) disposable plastic cups or 12 (3 oz.) ice pop molds. Freeze until partially frozen, 1 1/2 to 2 hours. Insert wooden craft sticks. Freeze until firm, about 6 hours or overnight.

TIP: To release from ice pop molds, dip quickly into warm water.

Pineapple and Chipotle Ice Pops

Yield: 8 to 10 servings
Prep Time: 15 minutes

- INGREDIENTS**
- 1 (20 oz.) can crushed pineapple in pineapple juice, undrained
 - 1 (14 oz.) can Eagle Brand Sweetened Condensed Milk
 - 3/4 cup pineapple juice
 - 1 tablespoon fresh lime juice
 - 1/4 teaspoon chipotle chile powder

- INSTRUCTIONS**
1. PLACE pineapple in food processor. Cover and process until pureed. Combine pureed pineapple, sweetened condensed milk, pineapple juice, lime juice and chile powder in large bowl; mix well.
 2. SPOON into 8 (4 oz.) plastic ice pop molds or 10 (3 oz.) wax-coated paper cups. If using paper cups, insert wooden craft stick into the center of each cup. Freeze until firm, about 4 hours.

