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20 fingers, 20 toes, a lot of love



Swaddled in an American flag, twins Hayden Olivia and Carter Mac get some love from mom Alicia Jetton on Wednesday morning at Florida Hospital in Sebring. Jetton's husband, Pfc. Joshua Jetton, was killed in combat in Afghanistan in June. See the story, page 2A.

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21-year-old shot to death during argument

By **SCOTT DRESSEL**
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SEBRING — An argument in front of 418 Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard just after midnight on Thursday left one man dead and another one potentially facing murder charges.

According to Cmdr. Steve Carr of the Sebring Police Department, Earl James Downs, 27, and Clinton Anthony Fletcher Jr., 21, both of Sebring, got into an argument. During the argument, Carr said, Downs pulled out a gun and shot Fletcher in the head. The time of the incident was

listed as 12:04 a.m. on Thursday.

Fletcher was transported to Highlands Regional Medical Center where he was pronounced dead.

A witness to the shooting fled the scene, Carr said, and Downs allegedly fired shots at the fleeing witness. Downs then fled the scene, but was later caught by Highlands County Sheriff's Office deputies in Parkcrest Terrace at 1:27 a.m.

Downs was in custody, but at the

hospital, Thursday being treated for a gunshot wound to the leg. The SPD is investigating the cause of that injury.

Carr said investigators were trying to determine what the argument was about.

Downs, who had not been booked as of press time, has a lengthy booking sheet at www.highlandssheriff.com/, the last arrest being on March 18 when he was booked for battery on an officer/firefighter/EMT, resisting an officer with violence, possession of cocaine, possession of drug equipment and evidence tampering.



Downs

Board, union at odds over evaluation system approval

By **CHRISTOPHER TUFFLEY**
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SEBRING — There was a moment of tension at Tuesday's school board meeting, brought about by the stress of meeting mandated deadlines.

The district must have its new teacher evaluation system approved by the Florida Department of Education by the end of September, but getting that approval has been a challenge. The state has required constant changes and adjustments throughout the entire process. An approval for one aspect, for example, had only been received Monday afternoon. As a result the district has been hard pressed to keep to the schedule.

Worried about the deadline, district staff wanted the school board to go ahead and approve the new system Tuesday night.

The difficulty is that teacher evaluation systems are a contractual item, meaning the Highlands



News-Sun photo by **CHRISTOPHER TUFFLEY** School board attorney John McClure (right) explains the collective bargaining process during a discussion of the new teacher evaluation system. Teachers have to approve it. Board member Ronnie Jackson listens.

County Educational Association — the teachers' union — has to vote its approval first.

"Why pass this when there are still negotiations to come?" union

president Steve Picklesimer asked.

"It's as complete as we can

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Manager interviews today in AP

By **CHRISTOPHER TUFFLEY**
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AVON PARK — City council members will interview the three candidates for city manager today starting at 9 a.m.

The event has been advertised as a special council meeting and takes place at council chambers at 123 E. Pine St. It is open to the public.

All three candidates have a graduate degree. All three have municipal management experience. Two are unknown, one has worked for the city since Sept. 28, 2009.

Lillie Latimore, city manager of Pahokee and president of Innovative Business Strategies Inc., is scheduled to be interviewed first.

Julian Deleon, Avon Park's director of public works and utilities and interim city manager, is scheduled to appear before the council at 11 a.m.

Following a lunch break, the third candidate, Kenneth Fields, is scheduled for his interview at 2 p.m. Fields' last position was village manager of the Village of Islamorada.

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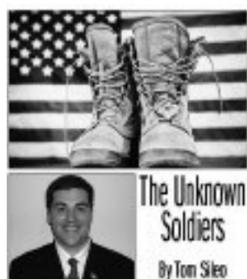
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The Unknown Soldiers
By Tom Sileo

Stand by them

During a deadly, tragic summer in Afghanistan, where we stand on the war politically is irrelevant. All that matters is standing beside our troops and their families as they shoulder the heaviest burdens of America's longest war.

Cpl. Zachary Mills, 22, is an ordnance technician with Marine Attack Squadron 513, stationed in Kandahar. His job is to arm Harriers, the ground-breaking military jets capable of lifting off vertically without forward speed.

It was 6:30 a.m. Kandahar time when Cpl. Mills spoke via satellite phone to The Unknown Soldiers, and the temperature outside a hangar where the Marine usually works was already creeping toward 100 degrees. When asked how he copes with doing a difficult job amid unrelenting heat similar to conditions inside a furnace, he shrugged off the question.

"I just drink a lot of water, I guess," the Orlando native told The Unknown Soldiers. "I'm normally stationed out in Yuma (Az.), so this is not bad at all."

Mills was fully aware of the risks involved when he joined the military in January 2008. More than three and a half years later, he is deployed to one of the world's most dangerous regions. As the wars in Afghanistan and Iraq both continue, the proud Marine said he has no regrets about his decision to enlist.

"I basically wanted to better myself," Mills explained, "and I thought the military would be the right way to serve your country. I think that's a very important thing, especially during these times."

With this summer shaping up to be the deadliest of the entire Afghanistan conflict, which has lasted almost a decade, Mills said spirits in the war zone are in fact very high.

"Morale is good," he said. "Once you get (Marines) in gear, it motivates them to work hard."

Capt. Pete Hegseth is an Army National Guardsman currently deployed to Kabul, where he is an instructor at a counterinsurgency training center. The soldier, who has also deployed to Iraq, said he becomes exasperated when media pundits inside air-conditioned newsrooms suggest that because of increased risk, the military is tired or unwilling to fight.

"This 'talk' is a complete misnomer," Capt. Hegseth said in an email from Afghanistan to The Unknown Soldiers. "Troops are here because they want to be here, and we believe in what we're doing."

Hegseth, 31, knows first-hand about the strains of multiple deployments. Coupled with the visible and invis-

Decades of Change



A lot of changes have happened in Avon Park since the 1930s, and the historical display Decades of Change provides an oral representation of some of those changes.

Government Center display features oral history of AP

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SEBRING — Throughout

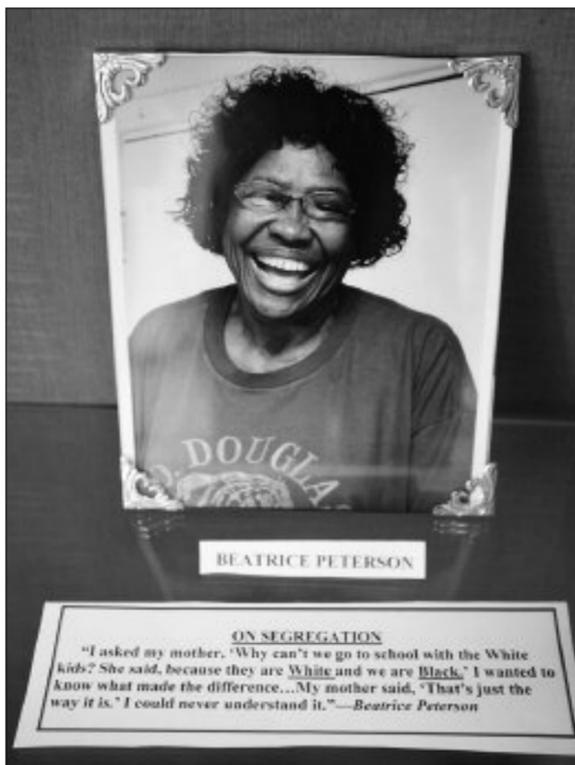
upcoming month, the Government Center Lobby will play host to a display featuring the oral history of Avon Park.

The display is part of a lengthy project called Decades of Change captured the recollections of four black and four white lifelong residents of the City of Charm.

According to a press release from the Highlands County Historical Society, "The current display at the Government Center offers some answers to the question, 'What was life like in a small, sleepy, Central Florida community back in the 1940s, '50s and '60s?'"

The orations were gathered by the Avon Park Historical Society and South Florida Community College and originally placed on display at the Museum of Florida Art and Culture.

"I was intrigued by the



News-Sun photos by KATARINA SIMMONS
Lifelong Avon Park resident and community activist Beatrice Peterson is featured in the exhibit Decades of Change on display until December in the Sebring Government Center.

comments of the residents," said Elaine Levey, director of the Avon Park Depot Museum, who created the display at the Government Center in conjunction with the Highlands County Preservation Commission. "It opened my eyes to a world I wasn't familiar with."

"It was thought provoking," said Else Johnson, a visitor to the Government Center on Monday who was waiting on a friend to pay for their registration at the tax collector's office just down the hall.

"I had a few minutes and I just wandered by and started reading the quotes. It really tells the history, and some of the quotes are really interesting," Johnson said.

The four black residents interviewed were Bishop Thomas Brown Sr., Wilma Conner, Beatrice Peterson

and Robert Wilson Jr. The White residents included Robert Barben, Roberta Flowers, Jean Jordan and David Lanier.

Working on the oral history project were Larry Levey, then-president of the society, who headed up the effort; Charlotte Pressler, Ph.D., professor of English and history and director of the Honors Program at SFCC; Mollie Doctrow, MOFAC curator; and Maxine Floyd, a 1953 graduate of E.O. Douglas High School in Sebring (the only such school for blacks in this area). A retired educator, she moved back to Avon Park and is now a board member of the historical society.

The Government Center exhibit, located at 601 S. Commerce in Sebring, runs through the end of December.

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Highlands County NAACP to host Freedom Fund Dinner

LAKE PLACID — This year's Freedom Fund Awards Dinner, sponsored by the Highlands County Branch of NAACP, takes place at 6:30 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 3, at the Elks Lodge in Lake Placid (behind Winn-Dixie).

Key note speaker is Dr. Jessie Jackson, superintendent of the Lake Wales Charter Schools.

The event, which is open to the public, also includes recognition of former presidents of Highlands County NAACP.

Tickets are available for a donation of \$35 each, or a table for eight for \$280 (this includes one membership and a logo in the souvenir journal). Space for business advertising and/or a personal ad in the journal is also available.

For more information, call Al Hinson at 399-2243; Bea Peterson, 453-7482; Pat Sholtz, 382-3405; or Jackie Haynes, 531-1544. For souvenir ads, call Arnold Wilson at 446-3018. Deadline for tickets and ads is Aug. 25.

Events at local lodges, posts

AVON PARK
The Combat Veterans Memorial VFW Post 9853 in Avon Park will host the following events this week:

Friday, August 19 - Fish and shrimp dinner for \$7 served from 5-7 p.m. Music by Big Freddie from 5-8 p.m.

Saturday, August 20 - Karaoke by Peg and Perry from 5-8 p.m. Bar menu served from 4-7 p.m.

For more information, call 452-9853.

The public is invited to play bunco at the Highlands Shrine Club, 2604 SR 17 South on Tuesday at 11:30 a.m. The event is open to new or experienced players. Cost is \$2/person. Phone 471-2425 for information.

LAKE PLACID
The Veterans of Foreign Wars 3880 Lake Placid, will host the following events this week:

Saturday - Ladies Auxiliary bingo 2 p.m. Prime rib dinner (get tickets early please). Music with Tony 5:30-7 p.m. Men's Auxiliary bingo 2 p.m. Corn hole game 5 p.m.

For details, call 699-5444.

The Lake Placid Moose Lodge 2374 will host the following events this week:

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Jetton welcomes twins at Blessed Beginnings

Special to the News-Sun
SEBRING — Twenty fingers, 20 toes, plenty of work heaven knows.

The Jetton twins arrived ahead of schedule on Aug. 15, bringing great joy to the family and mom Alicia.

Carter came first weighing 5 pounds, 3 ounces at 8:41 p.m. with his sister Hayden following one minute later and weighing 5 pounds, 15 ounces.

Mom Alicia is feeling doubly blessed.

"I just want to thank the Heartland community for providing such loving support during this difficult and exciting time in our lives," said proud mother Alicia Jetton.

"Thanks to all the donations of diapers, toys, formula and gift cards, I can just focus on loving my new two bundles of joy."

Carter Mac was born at 8:41 p.m.

He weighed 5 pounds, 3

ounces and was 18.5 inches in length. Hayden

Olivia was born one minute later at 8:42 p.m.

She weighed 5 pounds, 15 ounces and was 18 inches in length.

Maternal grandmother is Denise Moore of Sebring. Paternal grandparents are Rick Jetton of Lake Placid and Amanda Prabhakaran of Mooresville, Ind.

Women's Wellness Center obstetrician and family friend Dr. Guinevere Bullard delivered the twins.

"As I said when I first saw them, 'Oh, Alicia, they're perfect.' May God continue to watch over you, the twins and your family."

Jetton, who is the widow of Pfc. Joshua Jetton, is one of the first mothers to deliver at the new Jarrett Family Blessed Beginnings Birthing Center at Florida Hospital in Sebring.

Pfc. Jetton was killed June 20 in Afghanistan.

Sebring man hit by garbage truck Wednesday

By ED BALDRIDGE
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SEBRING — A Sebring man remains in critical condition after being struck by a garbage truck on Wednesday.

According to the report from Florida Highway Patrol trooper Patrick J. Roberts, David A. Bellamy, 53 was hit at 5:24 a.m. while he was walking just south of Youth Care Lane on South Highlands Avenue.

The report states that Bellamy was walking south on South Highlands in the middle of the road.

The garbage truck was traveling north on South Highlands when it struck Bellamy.

The driver of the garbage truck did not see Bellamy in the early morning darkness, and Bellamy was not wearing any reflective clothing or lights of any kind and was improperly walking in the roadway.

The front left of the garbage truck driven by Phillip Lee Vitelli, 52, of Sebring struck Bellamy and knocked him down.

Bellamy came to rest in the northbound lane facing west and the garbage truck only traveled a few more feet before stopping.

No charges are pending that the time of the report, according to Roberts, and Bellamy was taken to Highlands Regional Medical Center.

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TODAY'S EDITORIAL

The fine art of interviewing

A special good morning to all you members of the Avon Park City Council. We know you have a busy day before you, what with three prospective city managers to interview.

First, we are glad that you all decided to interview interim city manager Julian Deleon, even though that hadn't been your original plan. We can understand why his interview might be considered superfluous. After all, as he has pointed out himself, he is a known quantity, and has a track record with the city.

But, the interviewing process is simply too important to blow off, which is why we thank you for changing your minds.

Not only is an interview the perfect time for you to make your will known, but you can discuss priorities, policies and set out expectations.

We hope you take a moment to remember that you are hiring an individual who will be working on behalf of the people — not just yourselves; that both you and city staff answer at all times to the voter.

We understand why it won't be easy to keep an open mind.

In many ways, Deleon has certainly been an asset to Avon Park. He re-organized the utilities and public works department, lowering rates; and showed leadership as interim city manager by cutting costs and annexing properties to broaden the tax base.

Given that the other two candidates for city manager are unknown, it will be difficult for you to remain unbiased — especially as it seems clear to us that you and Deleon have a comfortable working relationship.

Second, we hope that you take the interview process seriously and don't ask superficial questions and don't accept vague answers.

For example, we expect you to draw out specifics from the candidates.

It isn't enough for one to

say, "We need to stabilize revenue," and stop there.

You need to ask — How? What is the plan?

Questions of character matter too, of course.

Please ask Deleon if he regrets an official letter that Buddy Whitlock, then president of the Sebring City Council, wrote in August of 2008 and sent to Michael Wright, the county administrator. In it, Whitlock deemed Deleon's behavior "an interference with city/county business and both improper and unethical."

Of course, you all might give Deleon bonus points for what he did to get the City of Sebring so angry — from one perspective, we have to kind of admire his stealth ourselves.

Whitlock said that while Sebring was negotiating an interlocal agreement with the county to provide water and sewer services to a project being constructed by Advanced Developers, Deleon "apparently approached" the company offering the same utility services through Sun 'N Lake.

We hope you ask Deleon if Whitlock was accurate when he wrote, "... Sun 'N Lake staff prepared an alternate Interlocal Agreement, received approval from their Board of Supervisors, prepared engineering cost estimates and had numerous e-mails and other communications with County staff and Commissioners. All of this was between August 5th — 7th, 2008, the date of the next Board of Commissioners meeting." This meant the county had to choose between Sebring and Sun 'N Lake, and went with the latter, hence the letter.

Deleon certainly shows he is efficient and focused, able to close a deal.

But here's the thing, he won in a way that created problems, made enemies and left a bad taste.

Making a city work is not a game. It takes more than cunning. It takes cooperation and a soul.

Please ask Deleon if he ever thinks in terms of actual people living their lives, and if he cares at all for Highlands County as a whole.

And while you're at it, ask yourselves.

Obama could learn from Ronald Reagan

If President Obama really wants to get the U.S. economy going again, he could do worse than to study the results of my Dad's 1981 Economic Recovery Act, which boosted the economy by leaps and bounds.

Take the matter of jobs, for example. Thanks to the 1981 act, an astounding 20 million new jobs were created. Moreover, inflation dropped from 13.5 percent in 1980 to a mere 4.1 percent by 1988, and unemployment fell from 7.6 percent to 5.5 percent.

Moreover, the net worth of families earning between \$20,000 and \$50,000 annually grew by 27 percent. At the same time, the real gross national product jumped by 26 percent and the prime interest rate was slashed by half — from 21.5 percent in January 1981 to 10 percent in August 1988.

The amount of individual tax revenues rose from \$244 billion in 1980 to \$446 billion in 1989. Moreover, total tax revenues jumped by almost 100 percent, rising by 99.4 percent dur-

ing the 1980s. The act produced 92 months of healthy economic growth — the longest period of peacetime in the post WWII period.

Under my Dad, marginal tax rates were cut from a top rate of 70 percent to a mere 28 percent, while revenues to the U.S. government from all taxes nearly doubled — increasing from roughly \$500 billion to an astronomical \$1.1 trillion in 1990.

Such stellar economic growth was the result of my Dad's economic policies, which were rooted in his belief in the ability of the American people to make the right decisions concerning their nation's economic activity. Contrast that with the Obama administration's quasi-Marxist policies, which seek to make Washington the center of the nation's economic activity.

This results in aberrations, such as non-elected



Making Sense

Michael Reagan

Incredibly, the National Labor Relations Board (NLRB) is trying to block that move, claiming that it is based solely on the status of that state as a right-to-work state, putting the government in league with Big Labor, which hates giving workers their rights to work as they see fit and wants to prevent the move.

Ronald Reagan would have been appalled by that outrage. When faced with a similar attempt by a labor union to twist the rules governing the behavior of air traffic controllers, my Dad simply fired them all and replaced them. He would have defied any attempt to prevent a company from

government boards seeking to dictate to corporations and business where they can and cannot locate their various operations, as we've seen in the case of Seattle-based Boeing's decision to open a plant in South Carolina, a right-to-work state.

moving some of their operations to a new location because a labor union opposed the move on the grounds that it freed employees from the grip of Big Labor bosses.

The Obama administration has displayed outright hostility toward Boeing, using the NLRB to harass the company as it attempts to operate free of government interference. Too bad my Dad isn't around to curb the power of an out-of-control government agency slavishly bowing to the dictates of a powerful labor union, and not the workers it pretends to represent.

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TODAY'S LETTERS

Back to school at 89

Editor:

My mother, Magdalen Stahl, who just celebrated her 89th birthday, is excited about next week. She will once again be back in the classroom teaching second grade Catechism to the children of St. Catherine Parish in Sebring. She said, "I'm getting older. I hope it's a small class of around 35 to 40 children!"

My mother's passion truly is teaching. She started at the age of 9 when neighborhood children would gather in the back yard of her Milwaukee, Wis., home to learn from little Miss Maggie. After several months, astonished parents would come to her house to thank her for all their children had been learning. From there she went on to Milwaukee State Teacher's College and started teaching night classes to the foreign born adults while her husband, my dad, cared for me and my four brothers. During her college years and in her internship as a teacher she had to teach in a variety of environments. The one room school house, schools in the poor sections, the rich and elite. Only the strong would survive, and she was truly the strongest.

In 1956 my parents moved to Hialeah, Fla., and it wasn't long before my mother was once again in the classroom. This time it was second grade students at Immaculate Conception school. It was here she would remain for the next 25 years until her retirement with the Diocese of Miami.

After the death of my father on July 12, 2009 (my mother's birthday), my mom became more and more depressed, sad, and lonely. The love of her life was now gone and she was with us only in body — her heart, mind, and soul was with my dad. She felt she no longer had any reason to live. Until that all changed last February with the lovely parishioners of St. Catherine Church.

I prayed to God for help in finding a way to bring some joy and happiness back into my mother's life. He answered. I soon found myself contacting St. Catherine Parish and asking them what was involved in becoming a Catechist. I thought it would be great to teach the children about Jesus and to have my mother assist me (I also was a teacher for emotionally disturbed children). What started off as just a feeling of going in an endless circle of frustration ended up giving my mother new life, new hope, and new happiness. Last year we worked together with kindergarten students and this school year we will work with the second-graders as they prepare to make their First Communion. This year my mother looks forward with much excitement of being immersed in teaching her new class. Attending the monthly "Into the Fields" meetings, the seminars in Sarasota, and even a spring retreat. She is alive again.

She is happy to be "going back to school."

*JoMarie Grinkiewicz
Sebring*

Global Republicans

Editor:

Many blame the Obama Administration for the loss of jobs caused by the global economy. They obviously haven't read the Republican Platforms for 2000, 2004 and 2008 lately.

The 2000 Republican Platform has the heading "Trade: The Force of Economic Freedom" and complains of the "counterproductive vestiges of protectionism." The benefits of free trade are "enormous" and will be "incalculable." The Platform advocates a free trade area of the Americas and attacks President Clinton for failing to accomplish this.

"Republican Presidents fought off protectionist pressure," "started to enlarge free trade arrangements" and

"signed the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA)," the 2000 Platform says. Republican legislators are praised for passing the Caribbean Basin Initiative. A Republican administration committed to NAFTA can bring about "hemispheric free trade."

The 2004 Platform credits the Bush Administration for completed free trade agreements with 12 countries, including Chile, Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua, the Dominican Republic and also Jordan and Morocco. The Platform expresses support for President Bush's plan for a Middle East Free Trade Area by 2013.

The average American consumer saves \$2,000 a year because of free trade agreements, we are told. There's no word on how much the American worker loses.

The 2008 Republican Platform favors "mutually beneficial trade agreements" with Latin America. Union bosses and Capitol Hill Democrats are blamed for blocking a free trade agreement with Columbia. The Platform talks about "China's full integration into the global economy."

"Greater international trade" means more jobs and higher wages, we are told. Foreign markets are an opportunity for small business. Agriculture can face problems caused by "turbulence in global markets," the Platform admits.

Senator Marco Rubio is fully on board. According to his website, Rubio "supports free trade agreements with Columbia, Panama and South Korea."

Though unhelpful, Rep. Tom Rooney has a different stance. According to ontheissues.org, Rooney's stand on free trade is "No Stance On Record." Rep. Dennis Ross holds the seat formerly held by Adam Putnam. Again, Rep. Ross' position is "No Stance On Record."

*Dale L. Gillis
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Commission directs sheriff to cut \$1.73 million

By ED BALDRIDGE

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SEBRING — County commissioners told representatives from the Highlands County Sheriff's Office that they would not tell them where to make cuts, but they still wanted the sheriff's budget trimmed \$1.73 million.

County Administrator Ricky Helms informed the public that his staff estimated a \$22,681,611 cap on the sheriff's portion of the budget and that number was needed to

keep the "budget in balance."

Sheriff Susan Benton stated that she had different numbers, and her budget was approximately \$24,413,000.

After some jousting with Board Chair Barbara Stewart at last week's meeting, Sheriff Susan Benton sent a memo to county staff asking for a decision on proposed cuts of close to \$1.006 million in specific programs and personnel.

The board balked at approving specific line-by-line cuts to the



Benton

sheriff's budget, and directed her department to get to the number Helms quoted.

"That recommendation has not changed," Helms told the commission as he declined to comment on



Helms

the sheriff's memo and proposed cuts.

"We don't have the authority to determine where the money is spent," said Stewart.

"With the million or so she is giving back this year and the few hundred thousand or so we are going to shuffle over, this current year there is a possibility to make cuts and not effect services," Commissioner Don Elwell said.

In the proposed budget from the sheriff, \$250,419 was set aside for

raises to employees and approximately \$286,000 was proposed for contributions to the dispatcher's retirement program.

"I don't know if that is a wise decision in these economic times," Elwell said.

Stewart was moving on with the agenda when Helms asked for clarification if the issue needed to be on next week's agenda.

The board decided to stick to the \$22,681,611 sheriff's budget without a formal vote.



News-Sun photo by KATARA SIMMONS

Albin "Big Al" Pelski of Toby the Clown Foundation makes balloon sculptures Thursday during the 12th Annual Boys and Girls Club of Sebring.

Back to School Bash gets students ready

By SAMANTHA GHOLAR

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SEBRING — The sixth annual Back to School Bash was held Thursday morning at the Highlands County Boys and Girls Club. The bash, headed by the Washington Heights Concerned Citizens Group along with the Florida Sportsmen Association, was a welcomed event for the upcoming school year.

Hundreds of kids and parents turned out for the event. Volunteers Carla Bullock and Vann Crumity were busy tearing off raffle tickets for students around noon Thursday.

"Right now we are giving away tickets for prizes. We are all out of backpacks and school supplies, but we have gift cards so that they can go purchase things they might need," said Crumity.

The volunteers gave out more than 160 backpacks Thursday morning, but it simply was not enough to help everyone.

The event also offered various services to get the students back to school in tip-top shape.

Licensed barber Dennis



News-Sun photo by KATARA SIMMONS

Marquille Tory sorts through his backpack Tuesday during the Back to School Bash at the Boys and Girls Club of Sebring. More than 160 backpacks were given away during the free event.

Davis was busy giving hair cuts to young boys inside the Boys and Girls Club building. Several boys were seated on the stage waiting for their turn in the chair.

The Highlands County Health Department was present as well, giving par-

ents sound advice on health care with an emphasis on dental care.

"We have toothbrushes, pamphlets and information about the clinics in the county. This is a list of parents...they sign up and we give them a call about appointments and other info," said one health department employee.

One Sebring police officer was informing students and parents about bicycle safety. The officer also offered pamphlets, coloring sheets and information on being a safe pedestrian and cyclist.

Reflectors, bracelets and lights were handed out to students at the station.

The Sebring Fire Department gave a demonstration of a safety routine and displayed their tools and items to the students.

The students whose raffle numbers were called were awarded various gift cards and certificates including a K-Mart gift card, Chili's and Outback gift certificates, as well as free hair service certificates.

New evaluation system approval proving to be difficult problem

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get," said Vivianne Waldron, director of Human Services, urging the board to go ahead. "We have to get this all ready by Sept. 30."

One of her biggest concerns is that union members won't be meeting until Sept. 2, and that leaves almost no time. The district would lose more than \$2 million in Race To The Top funding if it doesn't meet the deadline, she said.

"It's an unfair labor practice," Picklesimer said. "I can't say it any stronger than that. It is not my intent to have a 'gotcha' moment.

What can we do to make this mutually beneficial? I want to be able to move forward, but the deck is always stacked against us. We just want to follow the rules."

Board members asked school board attorney John McClure for his advice.

"We have a very difficult situation here," he said. "It pains me to say this, but we are where we're at. You could call it an unfair labor practice. I don't make the rules, I just tell you the rules."

The board withheld approval of the teacher evaluation system pending the union's negotiation.

Specialty license plate sales on decline

TAMPA — Sales of specialty license plates in Florida are on the decline.

Records show 1.4 million specialty plates were sold in 2010, compared to 1.6 million the year before.

Just two of the top 60 plates saw an increase: "In God We Trust," which sold more than 6,000 in 2010, and the Miami Heat plate, which sold 21,600.

The economy and fewer registered vehicles are among possible factors.

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Please be advised that the Sebring City Council will hold a Special Council meeting on Monday, August 22, 2011 at 5:30 p.m. The purpose of the meeting will be to consider the preliminary rate resolution regarding the fire assessment for 2011/2012. The meeting will be held at Sebring City Hall, 368 South Commerce Avenue, Sebring, FL.

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Influx of working-age adults fuels state's growth

By MIKE SCHNEIDER
Associated Press

ORLANDO — Working-age adults made up Florida's fastest-growing age group in the past decade, according to census data released Thursday, helping push the Sunshine State down several rungs in the ranking of states with the nation's oldest population.

The figures show that residents ages 18 to 64 propelled Florida's growth in boom counties on the periphery of major metro areas — places such as Osceola County outside Orlando, St. Johns and Flagler counties near Jacksonville and Pasco County outside St. Petersburg — at least until the boom ended in a housing bust at the end of the decade.

At the same time, traditional retiree havens such as Broward and Pinellas counties lost seniors and gained working-age adults. Gulf Coast counties with large numbers of retirees, such as Hernando and Pasco counties, saw their concentration of seniors diluted with the arrival of younger residents.

"There have been a lot more young people moving in," said Jeff Johnson, AARP Florida interim state director. "Some of the big Broward condos, which are sort of stereotypical of Broward

County, a lot of those condos have had a pretty good piece of turnover in the last 10 years. There are a lot of people who are younger who are living in places that before you would have expected not to see anybody under the age of 75."

From 2000 to 2010, working-age residents grew by more than a fifth, while Florida's seniors, 65 years and older, grew by only a sixth. Floridians under age 18 rose by less than a tenth.

The influx of working-age adults helped push Florida down the rankings of states with the oldest population. Florida now has the fifth-highest median age, 40.7, trailing Maine, Vermont, West Virginia and New Hampshire. It had the second-highest a decade ago, and two decades ago it had the highest median age.

Monroe County, home to the Florida Keys, was Florida's only county that lost working-age adults. It also had about a fifth fewer residents under the age of 18 than it did a decade ago, but it gained in senior residents.

Traditional retiree havens such as Broward County, home to Fort Lauderdale, and Pinellas County, home to St. Petersburg, even lost seniors during the decade. The working-age population rose in

Broward County, known for its "condo canyons" of retirees, as it did in Pinellas County, whose retiree population was given the Hollywood treatment in the 1985 movie "Cocoon."

Florida's seniors flocked to new retiree destinations in the state, such as The Villages in Sumter County, north of Orlando, and new golf communities in north-east Florida near Jacksonville.

Richard and Catherine Conti owned a condo in Boca Raton that they used for vacations away from their home in Rhode Island. But when they wanted to retire full time in 2001, they decided to live in The Villages. They were lured by the chance to play nonstop golf, but they also found that the dollar went a lot further in central Florida than it did in South Florida.

"It's more expensive there than here," said Catherine Conti, 70. "I didn't want to go into debt or anything. I wanted to have a nice retirement."

For female retirees in Florida, the dating pool improved over the past decade. The average number of males for every 100 females over age 65 in Florida went from 76.5 to 80.2.



Courtesy photo

Lance Cpl. Peter E. Clary, at left under aircraft, a Moscow, Idaho, native; Lance Cpl. Kyle M. Rowe, a Troy, Ohio, native; and Cpl. Zachary G. Mills, an Orlando, native, all Marine Attack Squadron 513 ordnance technicians, disarm one of the squadron's AV-8B Harriers before it returns to the docking area at Kandahar Airfield, Afghanistan, on June 6.

Stand by our soldiers

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ible wounds of war, these issues are very serious concerns for U.S. troops, veterans and military families. But according to Hegseth, challenges should not be mistaken for weariness.

"We're not 'tired,'" Hegseth, the former executive director of Vets for Freedom, an organization committed to victory in Afghanistan and Iraq, wrote. "We're savvy, committed, war-tested, and more experienced than ever. America's military today is the greatest fighting force the world has ever seen, and the only way we will 'break' our military is if we don't give it the resources it needs to fight and support it needs to win."

Hegseth's steadfast belief in America's post-9/11 mis-

sion in Afghanistan doesn't mean this summer has been easy.

"Yes, it's tough," the soldier wrote. "And yes, it's hard to be away from family."

Before Hegseth's latest combat deployment, the soldier and his wife welcomed their first child, a son who is now 13 months old. Hegseth said he misses his little boy tremendously and worries about his wife, who must spend a year raising their child on her own.

Yet because of his soul mate's support and strength, as well as the opportunity to see his son via Skype, Hegseth remembers what he is fighting for.

"I'm able to talk to her regularly and see my little son grow up," Hegseth

wrote. "He sees me on the computer, lunges for the screen, and says 'Dada.'"

"It melts my heart and reminds me why I'm doing this," the soldier continued. "(It's) for them and for the simple joys that all Americans cherish."

At this hour, as more flag-draped caskets come home from the battlefield, our brave men and women in uniform are standing guard around the world. No matter how difficult, we must set aside our differences and stand by them, even from half a world away.

To find out more about Tom Sileo or to read features by other Creators Syndicate writers and cartoonists, visit the Creators Syndicate website at www.creators.com.

Report of oil sheen in Gulf

Associated Press

LONDON — A new oil sheen was spotted in the Gulf of Mexico, although energy company BP said Thursday the discovery had nothing to do with its operations and was far from the site of its disaster-hit Macondo well.

A spokesman for another company involved in investigating the sheen said he believed it had already dissipated since being first spotted last week.

BP spokesman Daren Beaudou said his company had sent several remotely controlled mini-submersibles into the water over the weekend to investigate the source of the

sheen — a shiny coating that floats on the surface of the water which generally comes from leaked or spilled oil — but had concluded "that it couldn't have been from anything of ours."

A statement from BP PLC placed the site of the sheen near two abandoned exploration well sites in the Green Canyon Block in the Gulf of Mexico, although its size and exact location wasn't disclosed.

The Green Canyon Block — a huge square-shaped area of water south of Louisiana — is south and west of the Mississippi Canyon Block where the Macondo well blew up.

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SHEILA UCCELLINI
Sheila Ryan (Mullen) Uccellini, 64, of Brunswick, N.Y., and Marco Island, Fla., passed away unexpectedly Wednesday, Aug. 10, 2011.

Sheila was born Nov. 22, 1946 in North Adams, Mass., to Martin J. "Jack" Mullen and Geraldine "Gerry" (Shaw) Mullen of Pittsfield, Mass.. She grew up in North Adams, and spent many memorable summers with her parents, sisters and brother water skiing in the Long Island Sound off Hawk's Nest Beach in Old Lyme, Conn. as well as snow skiing on Dutch Hill in Heartwellville, Vt. While attending Kenwood Academy in Albany, N.Y., Sheila met her husband Walter Uccellini, then a student at RPI. After graduation, the couple remained in the Capital Region where Sheila worked for the Latham Medical Group.

Sheila was a world traveler along with her family. She was a superb athlete, a gifted golfer and skier. She was a member of the Country Club of Troy, Hideaway Beach Club, and The Island Country Club where she won several golfing tournaments and awards, made many lasting friendships and cherished many memories. She enjoyed skiing on Whiteface Mountain, and her homes in Marco Island and Lake Placid, where her children and grandchildren vacationed with her every year. She was devoted to her family and they were a source of deep joy to her, especially all of

her grandchildren who called her "Gummy". Sheila was called Gummy after her own grandmother, Gertrude Virginia Ryan Mullen, who lived with Sheila while growing up in North Adams. Sheila loved all the children in her life, especially her nieces, nephews, and children of close friends.

She devoted herself every year to helping underprivileged children in Immokalee, Fla. through her volunteer efforts with the Guadalupe Center of Immokalee. She served as a member of the Rensselaer County Hospice Board, The Capital District Regional Board for Planned Parenthood, and the Rensselaer County Historical Society, and volunteered at the Saint Gregory's School, Emma Willard School, and the Junior League of Troy. She was a communicant of Sacred Heart Church, Troy and San Marco Catholic Church, Marco Island.

All of her family and friends loved her laugh, humor and warmth. When she was in your presence she made you feel special, and her energy and compassion filled every environment she was in. Sheila was a charismatic woman both in personality and in giving of herself wholeheartedly to her husband, children, grandchildren, parents, sisters, brother, and in her many friendships. She will

be deeply missed. Survivors, in addition to her parents, Jack and Gerry, and husband, Walter, include three children, Michael (Aimee) Uccellini of Brunswick, Jessica (Erik) Steffensen, Chicago, Ill., Tyler Uccellini of Minneapolis, Minn.; five grandchildren, Gabriella Uccellini, Ryan Uccellini, Isabelle Uccellini, Charlotte Steffensen and Audrey Steffensen; three sisters, Barbara Devine (Jack) of Troy, Shannon Kirby (Thomas) of Ballston Spa, and Mary Mullen (Larry Oberwager) of Stockbridge, Mass.; a brother, Martin J. Mullen Jr. (Denise) of Richmond, Mass.; and several nieces and nephews.

Mass of Christian Burial was held on Monday, Aug. 15, 2011 at 11 a.m. at Sacred Heart Church, Troy, N.Y.

Burial was in St. Mary's Cemetery, Troy.

Arrangements by the McLoughlin & Mason Funeral Home, 8-109th Street, Troy, N.Y. 12182.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions would be appreciated to the Guadalupe Center of Immokalee, 509 Hope Circle, Immokalee, FL 34142, www.guadalupecenter.net, or the Community Hospice of Rensselaer County, 295 Valley View Blvd, Rensselaer, NY 12144, www.communityhospice.org. For guestbook please visit www.mcloughlinmason.com.



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Arcadia man files suit against Sheriff's Office

By ED BALDRIDGE
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SEBRING — An 83-year-old Arcadia man who was charged with battery on a Highlands County Sheriff's Deputy has filed a lawsuit in federal court alleging that he was falsely arrested and imprisoned and his civil rights were violated.

Paul Baker was charged with cursing and pushing deputy David Lightsey Jr. after he tried to find the entrance to the county jail on April 18, 2009.

Baker claims in his lawsuit that he was attempting to find the entrance to the jail to bail out a friend and mistakenly tried to open the door to the HCSO purchasing department when Lightsey approached him and asked in an "aggressive manner" what was he doing.

Baker and the Highlands County State Attorney's Office cut a deal for deferred prosecution of his battery charges, which were later dismissed.

According to the deputy, "Paul appeared to be upset and started yelling at me due to the fact that he was trying to locate the Highlands County Jail and was unable to do so," the report said. "Paul approached me in an aggressive manner and was waving his hands in front of my face. I ordered Paul to step back for my safety and his and asked him to calm down."

Lightsey asserts that at this

point Baker reportedly cursed the deputy and then stated he would "find the jail on his own."

Lightsey claims that he tried to call Baker back to him and to explain where the entrance was located when Baker "pushed me in my chest with his right hand."

Baker claims the deputy grabbed his left wrist "with-out warning" and pushed him

against the back of the police car before handcuffing him.

Backup deputies arriving on the scene claimed that Baker was irate and repeatedly called Lightsey a "liar."

Baker's original suit was filed in Highlands County, but the venue was changed to the U.S. Southern District Court in Miami at Sheriff Susan Benton's request.

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

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Today - Texas Hold'em 2 p.m. Wings, shrimp and fish 6 p.m.; music with Patsy and Johnny 6-9 p.m.
Saturday - Bingo-bango 2 p.m. Pork loin dinner; music with Fireman 6-9 p.m.
For more information, call 465-0131.

SEBRING
The Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 4300 will host the following events this week:

Today - Happy hour 3-6 p.m. Men's Auxiliary Pizza Night (call for time). Gary O. music 6-9 p.m.
Saturday - Men's Auxiliary VFW - Mike Claxton music from 6-9 p.m.
For more details, call 385-8902.

AMVET Post 21 will have Karaoke with Jewels of the Night at 7 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 20.

A memorial service for Peg and Al Lepine will be held at AMVET Post 21, 2029 U.S. 27 on Sunday. The service will begin at 2 p.m. with a luncheon to follow. For more information, call 385-0234

Loose Change Band at Duffer's Saturday

SEBRING — The Loose Change Band will be playing at Duffer's Sports

Grille this Saturday. This local band will play a variety of country, rock and dance music for everyone to enjoy from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. They provide music for line dancing as well.

The Longshot Band will be back on stage from 6-9 p.m. Friday. It is recommended, but not mandatory, to make reservations for this group since they fill the house.

Duffer's is at 6940 U.S. 27 North, Sebring. Call 382-6339.

After-School Program starts Monday

LAKE PLACID — The Highway Park Community Star Center will be open Monday for the After-School Program.

Hours are from 2:30-5 p.m. Students will be able to complete homework, receive tutoring and participate in a tutoring program two days a week from 5 Star Tutoring service which will be delivered on site at the Star Center.

Students will be introduced to the All Star prevention Character Building program, which deals with bullying, not being violent, saying no to drugs and alcohol and making the choice to say no to sex before marriage.

For more information contact, Theresa Williams, Star Program All

Star Prevention Specialist, at -465-8131 or email starcenter@centurylink.net/.

Calling all Masons

SEBRING — Florida Grand Master Jim J. Harris will be visiting Sebring on today. The reception is being held at the Sebring Civic Center, 355 W. Center Ave. Sign in is at 5:30 p.m. and dinner is at 6:30 p.m.

All Masons in good standing and wives are welcome. The meal consists of barbecue pork or chicken with all the fixings at no cost to the attendees.

Highway Park Community Fun Day is Sunday

LAKE PLACID — The ninth annual Highway Park Community Fun Day will start at 3 p.m. on Sunday.

Sponsored by Mr. Frank Branch Jr. and Selvin McGahee, Highlands Lodge 20, W.M. Antron Felton & Brothers, and Hwy Park Community Star Program, the event will be at the Highway Park Community Star Center at 141 Josephine Ave.

There will be free hot dogs and hamburgers, music in the park from DJ Shack and more.

For more information contact, Frank Branch Jr. at 239-707-1283, Selvin McGahee at 214-6276 or the Star Center at 465-8131.

Rules prohibit teachers from social networking with students

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ber Richard Norris raised concerns from the audience, especially regarding regulation and freedom of speech issues.

Norris said, regulating a "no friending" policy won't

stop a determined pedophile, but could jeopardize a teacher.

"What if a teacher says something negative about an administrator or another teacher? How regulated are you going to get?"

Steve Picklesimer, who

teaches high school science and is the president of the local teachers' union, said he has deep reservations about students and teachers communicating online through personal pages.

On the one hand, he worries about a student's sense of

rejection and the loss of an important method of communication.

On the other, he said there are real risks of serious misunderstandings. Because of his reservations, he has only "friended" one student and would not do so again.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 10TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA
 Case #: GCS 11-452
 Judge: J. David Langford
BROWN & BRWON INVESTMENTS, LLC
 Plaintiff(s),
 -vs.-
JIMMIE JOHNSON, CHARLENE HORNES, CARMINA L. MESSNER, and FORREST H. HILTON,
 Personal Representative of the Estate of Lois W. Bagwell, deceased.
 Defendant(s)
NOTICE OF ACTION - PROPERTY
 TO: Jimmie Johnson
 812 S. Florida Ave.
 Avon Park, FL 33825

Charlene Hornes
 812 S. Florida Ave.
 Avon Park, FL 33825

or if any of the aforesaid persons is dead, then his or her unknown heirs, devisees, legatees or grantees; and any and all other persons or parties claiming by, through, under or against them; and all claimants, persons or parties, natural or corporate, or whose exact legal status, if known, claiming under any of the above named or interest in and to the lands hereinafter described.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an Action to Quiet Title for the following described property in Highlands County, Florida, to wit:

Lot 16, Block H, TOWN OF AVON PARK, Section 22, Township 33 South, Range 28 East, according to the Plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 1, Page 58, Public Records of Highlands County, Florida.

Parcel ID Number A 22-33-28-010-00H0-0160 has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to, to the Plaintiff(s) attorney, whose name and address is: David F. Lanier, Esq., P.O. Box 400, Avon Park, Florida 33826-0400, and file the original with the Clerk of the above styled Court on or before September 20, 2011, otherwise a judgment may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of said Court on August 9, 2011.

ROBERT W. GERMAINE
 Clerk of said Circuit Court
 By: /s/ Priscilla Michalak
 Deputy Clerk
 August 12, 19, 26; September 2, 2011

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA
 CIVIL DIVISION
 Case No.: 502011CA245XXXMB
HIGHLANDS INDEPENDENT BANK,
 Plaintiff,
 vs.
MICHELLE FOGG and JEFF FOGG
 Defendants.

NOTICE OF ACTION AS TO JEFF FOGG

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT Highlands Independent Bank, (the "Plaintiff"), by and through its undersigned attorneys, filed a complaint (the "Complaint") in the Tenth Judicial Circuit in and for Highlands County, Florida.

1. In the Complaint, the Plaintiff seeks relief against defendant, Jeff Fogg.
2. This is an action for damages in excess of \$15,000.00. The Complaint alleges damages resulting from the default of certain Loan Documents, as more fully described in the Complaint, including, but not limited to, a Promissory Note and a Mortgage, and seeks foreclosure of real property, as more fully described below.
3. This action is pending in the Tenth Judicial Circuit in and for Highlands County, Florida.
4. The real property is located at 1059 Cor-

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dova Street, Lake Placid, Florida 33852 and its more fully described as:
 Lot 1, Block 449, Leisure Lakes Section Seventeen, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 9, Page(s) 15, Public Records of Highlands County, Florida.
 5. The Defendant is required to file written defenses with the Clerk of the Court and to serve a copy within thirty (30) days after the first publication of this Notice on Lynn A. Brauer, Esq., Anthony & Partners, LLC, 201 N. Franklin Street, Suite 2800, Tampa, Florida 33602, attorney for the Plaintiff, Highlands Independent Bank.
DATED on August 5, 2011.

BOB GERMAINE
 As Clerk of the Court
 By: /s/ Toni Kopp
 As Deputy Clerk
 August 19, 26, 2011

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 10TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA
 CASE NO. 28-2011-CA-000433
METLIFE HOME LOANS, A DIVISION OF METLIFE BANK, N.A.,
 Plaintiff,
 vs.
DORIS H. TRAVIS, et al.,
 Defendants.

NOTICE OF ACTION

TO: **DORIS H. TRAVIS AND UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF DORIS H. TRAVIS** if alive, and/or dead his (their) unknown heirs, devisees, legatees or grantees and all persons or parties claiming by, through, under or against him (them).
 Residence is unknown.

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an Action for foreclosure of a mortgage on the following property in HIGHLANDS COUNTY, Florida:

LOT 8845 AND 8846, AVON PARK LAKES UNIT NO. 27, AS PER PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 5, PAGE 27, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on SPEAR AND HOFFMAN, P.A., Attorneys, whose address is 9700 South Dixie Highway, Suite 610, Miami, Florida 33156, (305) 670-2299, within 30 days after the first publication of the notice, and to file the original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on SPEAR AND HOFFMAN, P.A., attorneys or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint or Petition.

WITNESS my hand and seal of this Court on this 8 day of AUGUST, 2011.

ROBERT W. GERMAINE, CLERK
 As Clerk of the Court
 By: /s/ Annette E. Daff
 As Deputy Clerk
 August 19, 26, 2011

NOTICE OF MEETING DATES
SOUTH FLORIDA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The regular monthly meetings, planning workshop, and budget workshop of the South Florida Community College District Board of Trustees will be held, with the general public invited, as listed below:

Wednesday, August 24, 2011
 Board Meeting - 6:00 p.m.
 Highlands Campus, 600 W. College Dr., Avon Park, FL

Wednesday, September 28, 2011
 Board Meeting - 6:00 p.m.
 Hardee Campus, 2968 US Hwy 17 N. Bowling Green, FL

Wednesday, November 2, 2011
 Board Meeting - 6:00 p.m.
 Lake Placid Center, 500 Interlake Blvd. Lake Placid, FL

Wednesday, December 7, 2011
 Planning Workshop - 4:00 p.m.
 Highlands Campus, 600 W. College Dr., Avon Park, FL

Wednesday, December 7, 2011
 Board Meeting - 6:00 p.m.
 Highlands Campus, 600 W. College Dr., Avon Park, FL

Wednesday, January 25, 2012
 Board Meeting - 6:00 p.m.

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DeSoto Campus, 2251 NE Turner Ave. Arcadia, FL

Wednesday, February 22, 2012
 Board Meeting - 6:00 p.m.
 Lake Placid Center, 500 Interlake Blvd. Lake Placid, FL

Wednesday, March 28, 2012
 Board Meeting - 6:00 p.m.
 Highlands Campus, 600 W. College Dr., Avon Park, FL

Wednesday, April 25, 2012
 Board Meeting - 6:00 p.m.
 Highlands Campus, 600 W. College Dr., Avon Park, FL

Wednesday, May 23, 2012
 Board Meeting - 6:00 p.m.
 Highlands Campus, 600 W. College Dr., Avon Park, FL

Wednesday, June 27, 2012
 Board Meeting - 6:00 p.m.
 Hardee Campus, 2968 US Hwy 17 N Bowling Green, FL

Wednesday, July 25, 2012
 Board Meeting - 6:00 p.m.
 DeSoto Campus, 2251 NE Turner Ave. Arcadia, FL

General Subject Matter to Be Considered: Items of interest to the District Board of Trustees, including but not limited to, personnel matters, policy matters, business affairs, academic and student affairs, curriculum, grants, agreements, purchasing/construction, fee changes, monthly financial report, and other routine business. A copy of the Agenda may be obtained by contacting the President's office at (863)784-7110.

IF A PERSON DECIDES TO APPEAL ANY DECISION MADE BY THE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES WITH RESPECT TO ANY MATTER CONSIDERED AT THIS MEETING, THAT PERSON WILL NEED A RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS, AND MAY NEED TO ENSURE THAT A VERBATIM RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS IS MADE, WHICH RECORD INCLUDES THE TESTIMONY AND EVIDENCE UPON WHICH THE APPEAL IS TO BE BASED.

August 17, 19, 2011

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA
 PROBATE DIVISION
 FILE NO. PC 11-344

IN RE: ESTATE OF HOWARD EDWARD JONES
 a/k/a EDWARD JONES
 a/k/a H.E. JONES
 Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of Howard Edward Jones a/k/a Edward Jones a/k/a H.E. Jones, deceased, whose date of death was February 4th, 2011, is pending in the Circuit Court for Highlands County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 590 South 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.

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

ALL CLAIMS NOT SO FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN SECTION 733.702 OF THE FLORIDA PROBATE CODE WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIOD 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 August 19, 2011.

Personal Representative:

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Ronald A. Jones
 4276 Sturgeon Drive
 Sebring, FL 33870

BREED & NUNNALLEE, P.A.
 Attorneys for Personal Representative:
 325 NORTH COMMERCE AVENUE
 SEBRING, FL 33870
 Telephone: (863) 382-3154
 By: /s/ Thomas L. Nunnallee
 Florida Bar No. 0062162
 E-mail Address: trunnallee@bnpalaw.com
 August 19, 26, 2011

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA
 PROBATE DIVISION
 FILE NO. PC 11-350

IN RE: ESTATE OF JACK E. HIBBLER, SR.,
 Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of JACK E. HIBBLER, deceased, whose date of death was July 13, 2011, and whose social security number is 278-24-4648, 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.

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

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 August 19, 2011.

Personal Representative:
 /s/ JACK E. HIBBLER, JR.
 1010 Exeter Road
 Whitehall, OH 43213

Attorney for Personal Representative:s
 /s/ ROBERT E. LIVINGSTON
 Florida Bar No. 0031259
 445 S. Commerce Avenue
 Sebring, FL 33870
 Telephone: (863)385-5156
 August 19, 26, 2011

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA
 PROBATE DIVISION
 FILE NO. PC 11-336

IN RE: ESTATE OF LEONARD WALTER RISING
 a.k.a. LEONARD W. RISING
 Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of LEONARD WALTER RISING a.k.a. LEONARD W. RISING, deceased, whose date of death was December 8, 2010, and whose social security number is xxx-xx-xxxx, is pending in the Circuit Court for Highlands County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 430 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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RIODS 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 August 12, 2011.

Personal Representative:
 /s/ John J. Drost
 1944 Highlands Blvd
 Avon Park, Florida 33825

Attorney for Personal Representative:
 /s/ David F. Lanier
 E-Mail Address: lanier30@embarqmail.com
 Florida Bar No. 045399
DAVID F. LANIER
 P.O. Box 400
 Avon Park, Florida 33826-0400
 Telephone: (863)453-4457
 August 12, 19, 2011

STATE OF FLORIDA
 DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
NOTICE OF DRAFT PERMIT

The Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) gives notice of its preparation of a draft permit for Triple G Dairy, to be issued to Goolsbys Incorporated. The proposed permit authorizes the operation of the waste management system in accordance with the approved Nutrient Management Plan, which also limits the herd size and management practices. The permit will also provide coverage under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES), as delegated to the state by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. The dairy is located at 1275 Triple G Road, Sebring, Florida 33870. An Administrative Order (No. AO-11-008-IW-28-SED) will also be issued concurrent with the permit. The Order requires a ground water investigation to determine if there is excessive seepage from the Lagoons/Waste Storage Pond. The Department has assigned permit application file number FLA136590-003-IW4A to the project.

Any interested person may submit written comments on the draft permit of the Department or may submit a written request for a public meeting to Bradley Akers, FDEP Southeast District, 400 North Congress Avenue, Suite 200, West Palm Beach, FL 33401, in accordance with rule 62-620.555 of the Florida Administrative Code. The comments or request for a public meeting must contain the information set forth below and must be received in the Office within 30 days of publication of this notice. Failure to submit comments or request a public meeting within this time period shall constitute a waiver of any right such person may have to submit comments or request a public meeting under Rule 62-620.555, Florida Administrative Code.

The comments or request for a public meeting must contain the following information:

- (a) The commenter's name, address, and telephone number, the applicant's name and address, the Department Permit File Number and the county in which the project is proposed;
 - (b) A statement of how and when notice of the Department action or proposed action was received;
 - (c) A statement of the facts the Department should consider in making the final decision;
 - (d) A statement of which rules or statutes require reversal or modification of the Department action or proposed action; and
 - (e) If desired, a request that a public meeting be scheduled including a statement of the nature of the issues proposed to be raised at the meeting. However, the Department may not always grant a request for a public meeting. Therefore, written comments should be submitted within 30 days of publication of this notice, even if a public meeting is requested.
- If a public meeting is scheduled the public comment period is extended until the close of the public meeting. If a public meeting is held any person may submit oral or written statements and data at the meeting on the Department proposed action. As a result of significant public comment the Department final action may be different from the position taken by it in this draft permit.
- The permit application file and supporting data are available for public inspection during normal business hours, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except legal holidays, at the DEP Southeast District office, 400 North Congress Avenue, Suite 200, West Palm Beach, FL 33401, Tel. (561) 681-6600.
- August 19, 2011

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA
 GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION
 CASE NO. 09-000508-GCS
BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING, L.P.,
 F/K/A COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING, L.P.,
 Plaintiff,
 vs.
BRYAN G. HOFFMAN, et. al.
 Defendant(s)

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated August 3, 2011, and entered in Case No. 09-000508-GCS of the Circuit Court of the Tenth Judicial Circuit in and for Highlands County, Florida, wherein BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING, L.P. F/K/A COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING, L.P., is a Plaintiff and BRYAN G. HOFFMAN, NIN P. HOFFMAN, UNKNOWN TENANTS are the Defendants. Robert Germaine as the Clerk of the Circuit Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash in the JURY ASSEMBLY ROOM, BASEMENT, 430 SOUTH COMMERCE AVENUE, SEBRING, FL 33870 AT 11:00 A.M. on September 6, 2011, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

LOT 5383 AND LOT 5384, AVON PARK LAKES, UNIT NO. 17, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 5, PAGE 10, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale.

Dated this 3rd day of August, 2011.
 Robert Germaine
 As Clerk of the Court
 By: /s/ Annette E. Daff
 As Deputy Clerk
 August 19, 26, 2011

IMPORTANT
 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the undersigned Clerk of the Circuit Court of Highlands County, Florida, will on the 7th day of September, 2011, at 11:00 o'clock A.M. at the in the Jury Assembly Room in the basement of the Highlands County Courthouse located at 430 South Commerce Avenue, Sebring, Florida at 11:00 A.M., offer for sale and sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash, the following-described property situated in Highlands County, Florida:
 LOTS 5, 6, 11, 13 AND 14, BLOCK 97 OF UNIT ONE OR LAKE LILLIAN SECTION HIGHLANDS LAKES SUBDIVISION, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 2, PAGE 77 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.
 AND
 ALL OF BLOCK 85 AND ALL OF BLOCK 97, AND THE E 1/2 OF DURANTA ROAD, LYING SOUTH OF THE SOUTH RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF AVON

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA
 CIVIL DIVISION
 CASE NO.: 10-000433-GCS
DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY AS TRUSTEE FOR THE HOLDERS OF GSAMP TRUST 2004-AR1, MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2004-AR1
 Plaintiff,
 vs.
BEN MAGNO; JOVITA MAGNO; , AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER, AND AGAINST THE HEREIN NAMED INDIVIDUAL DEFENDANT(S) WHO ARE NOT KNOWN TO BE DEAD OR ALIVE, WHETHER SAID UNKNOWN PARTIES MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST AS SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES OR OTHER CLAIMANTS; JOHN DOE AND JANE DOE AS UNKNOWN TENANTS IN POSSESSION
 Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
 NOTICE is hereby given that the undersigned Clerk of the Circuit Court of Highlands County, Florida, will on the 7th day of September, 2011, at 11:00 o'clock A.M. at the in the Jury Assembly Room in the basement of the Highlands County Courthouse located at 430 South Commerce Avenue, Sebring, Florida at 11:00 A.M., offer for sale and sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash, the following-described property situated in Highlands County, Florida:
 LOTS 5, 6, 11, 13 AND 14, BLOCK 97 OF UNIT ONE OR LAKE LILLIAN SECTION HIGHLANDS LAKES SUBDIVISION, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 2, PAGE 77 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.
 AND
 ALL OF BLOCK 85 AND ALL OF BLOCK 97, AND THE E 1/2 OF DURANTA ROAD, LYING SOUTH OF THE SOUTH RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF AVON

Dated this 3rd day of August, 2011.
 Robert Germaine
 As Clerk of the Court
 By: /s/ Annette E. Daff
 As Deputy Clerk
 August 19, 26, 2011

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BOULEVARD AND NORTH OF THE NORTH RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF ACACIA DRIVE AND THAT PORTION OF STRATFORD ROAD LYING WESTERLY OF THE WEST LINE OF LOT 5, IN BLOCK 97, (EXTENDED) OF A REPLAT OF UNIT ONE OR LAKE LILLIAN SECTION HIGHLANDS LAKES SUBDIVISION, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 44, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.

pursuant to the Final Judgment entered in a case pending in said Court, the style of which is indicated above.

Any person or entity claiming an interest in the surplus, if any, resulting from the foreclosure sale, other than the property owner as of the date of the Lis Pendens, must file a claim on same with the Clerk of Court within 60 days after the foreclosure sale.

WITNESS my hand and official seal of said Court this 4th day of August, 2011.

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the Office of the Court Administrator, (941)534-4690, within two (2) working days of your receipt of this notice; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call (TDD) (941) 534-7777, or Florida Relay Service 800-955-8770.

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
By: /s/ Toni Kopp
Deputy Clerk
August 19, 26, 2011

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT
OF THE 10TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT,
IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA
CIVIL DIVISION

CASE NO.: 28-2010-CA-000737
WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A.,
Plaintiff,
vs.

ALBERTO BLANCO; GRISELLE BLANCO; UNKNOWN TENANTS(S); IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY,
Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated the 3rd day of August, 2011, and entered in Case No. 28-2010-CA-000737, of the Circuit Court of the 10th Judicial Circuit in and for Highlands County, Florida, wherein WELLS FARGO BANK, NA, is the Plaintiff and ALBERTO BLANCO; GRISELLE BLANCO and UNKNOWN TENANTS(S) IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY, are defendants. I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the HIGHLANDS COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 430 SOUTH COMMERCE AVENUE, SEBRING, FL 33870 at the Highlands County Courthouse in Sebring, Florida, at 11:00 a.m. on the 6th day of September, 2011, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit: LOT 5, BLOCK 751, OF SUN 'N LAKES ESTATES OF SEBRING UNIT 15 R1, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 15, PAGE 64, BEING A 1989 REPLAT OF UNIT 15 AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 15, PAGE 40, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.

ANY PERSON CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN THE SURPLUS FROM THE SALE, IF ANY, OTHER THAN THE PROPERTY OWNER AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS MUST FILE A CLAIM WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER THE SALE.

Dated this 3rd day of August, 2011.

Robert W. Germaine
Clerk Of The Circuit Court
By: /s/ Annette E. Daff
Deputy Clerk
August 19, 26, 2011

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT
FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROBATE DIVISION
FILE NO. PC 11-290

IN RE: ESTATE OF
MARIA ANTONIA COSTA,
Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of MARIA ANTONIA COSTA, Deceased, whose date of death was January 15, 2011, is pending in the Circuit Court for Highlands County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 590 South Commerce Avenue, Sebring, FL 33870-3867. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

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

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

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 August 12, 2011.

Personal Representative:
Josephine Salome Costa Yuhack
314 Starfruit Avenue
Lake Placid, Florida 33852

Attorney for Personal Representative:
Scott R. Bugay, Esquire
Attorney for the Personal Representative
Florida Bar No. 5207
Citicentre, Suite P600
290 North West 165th Street
Miami, FL 33169
Telephone: (305) 956-9040
Fax: (305) 945-2905

August 12, 19, 2011

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT
OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO. 11-128 GCS

MIDFLORIDA CREDIT UNION,
F/K/A MIDFLORIDA FEDERAL CREDIT UNION,
Plaintiff,
v.

MAYRA E. GARCIA; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF MAYRA E. GARCIA; TENANT #1; TENANT #2; and ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, AND UNDER, AND AGAINST THE HEREIN-NAMED DEFENDANTS WHO ARE NOT KNOWN TO BE DEAD OR ALIVE, WHETHER SAID UNKNOWN PARTIES MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST AS SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS,
Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Final Judgment entered in this case in the Circuit Court of Polk County, Florida, the real property described as:

LOT 26 AND THE NORTH 1/2 OF LAT 27, BLOCK 55, LAKEWOOD TERRACES, SHEET 3, ACCORDING TO THE MAP OR PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 2, PAGE(S) 94, PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.

will be sold at public sale to the highest and best bidder for cash on 31 day of August, 2011, at 11:00 a.m. at the Highlands County Courthouse, 590 S. Commerce Avenue, Sebring, Florida 33870
DATE: July 29, 2011.

BOB GERMAINE
Clerk of Court
By: /s/ Annette E. Daff
Deputy Clerk

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the Office of the Court Administrator, 255 N. Broadway Avenue, Bartow, Florida 33830, (863) 534-4686, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

August 12, 19, 2011

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY CIVIL DIVISION Case No. 28-2011-CA-000337

CENLAR FSB Plaintiff, vs. THURMAN L. HARLOW, et al. Defendants.

NOTICE OF ACTION TO: UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF SHIRLEY M. HARLOW CURRENT RESIDENCE UNKNOWN LAST KNOWN ADDRESS 3916 RAMIRO ST SEBRING, FL 33872

You are notified that an action to foreclosure a mortgage on the following property in Highlands County, Florida:

LOT 26, BLOCK 22, OF SUN 'N LAKE ESTATES OF SEBRING, UNIT 2, ACCORDING TO PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 9, PAGE 48, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.

commonly known as 3916 RAMIRO ST, SEBRING, FL 33872 has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Ashley L. Simon of Kass Shuler, P.A., plaintiff's attorney, whose address is P.O. Box 800, Tampa, Florida 33601, (813)229-0900, on or before September 26, 2011, (or 30 days from the first date of publication, whichever is later) and file the original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on the Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise, a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

Dated: August 9, 2011.

CLERK OF THE COURT Honorable ROBERT W. GERMAINE 590 S. Commerce Avenue Sebring, Florida 33870-3701 /s/ Annette E. Daff Deputy Clerk

(COURT SEAL) August 19, 26, 2011

NOTICE OF POLICY AMENDMENT SOUTH FLORIDA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The following policy will be considered at the regular Board meeting to be held Wednesday, August 24, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. at the Highlands Campus at 600 W. College Drive, Sebring, FL. The general public is invited.

Policy Development: Proposed amendments to the following policy. Policy 1.02 Vision, Mission, and Institutional Care Values

For additional information, interested parties may visit the college website at www.southflorida.edu/trustees, or contact the Office of the President, South Florida Community College at 600 West College Drive, Avon Park, FL 33825.

IF A PERSON DECIDES TO APPEAL ANY DECISION MADE BY THE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES WITH RESPECT TO ANY MATTER CONSIDERED AT THIS MEETING, THAT PERSON WILL NEED A RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS, AND MAY NEED TO ENSURE THAT A VERBATIM RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS IS MADE, WHICH RECORD INCLUDES THE TESTIMONY AND EVIDENCE UPON WHICH THE APPEAL IS TO BE BASED.

August 17, 19, 2011

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NUMBER: GC 10-803

SUN 'N LAKE OF SEBRING IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT, a special district and a public corporation of the State of Florida, Plaintiff,

vs. TARPON IV LLC, a Limited Liability Company not registered with the State of Florida, its successors and/or assigns;

NATIONAL RECREATIONAL PROPERTIES OF SUN 'N LAKES, LLC, a Florida Limited Liability Company, its successors and/or assigns;

CAPITAL SOURCE FINANCE, LLC, a Delaware corporation; its successors and/or assigns; and WALTER McCORMACK, if alive and if not, his unknown spouse, heirs, devisees, grantees, creditors, or other parties claiming by, through, under or against WALTER McCORMACK, and all claimants under any of such party; Defendants.

RE-NOTICE OF SALE Notice is hereby given that pursuant to a final decree of foreclosure entered in the above-titled cause in the Circuit Court of Highlands County, Florida, I will sell the property situated in Highlands County, Florida, described as:

Lot 45, Block 342, Unit 16, Sun 'n Lake Estates of Sebring, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 10, Page 04, of the Public Records of Highlands County, Florida.

at public sale, to the highest and best bidder for cash, in the Jury Assembly Room in the basement of the Highlands County Courthouse located at 430 South Commerce Avenue, in Sebring, Florida at 11:00 A.M. on the 7th day of September, 2011.

SIGNED this 8th day of August, 2011. ROBERT W. GERMAINE CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT BY: /s/ Annette E. Daff Deputy Clerk August 19, 26, 2011

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Pursuant to a WRIT OF EXECUTION issued out of the County Court of the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit In and For St. Lucie County, Florida, on the 3rd day of November, 2010, in the cause wherein RIVERSIDE NATIONAL BANK OF FLORIDA, is Plaintiff, and ALBERT MIDDLETON and KIMBERLY MIDDLETON a/k/a KIMBERLY MIDDLETON, are Defendants, being Case No. 562010CA001223 in the said Court, I, Susan Benton, Sheriff of Highlands County, Florida, have levied upon all of the Defendant, KIMBERLY MIDDLETON's, right, title and interest in and to the following described PERSONAL property in Highlands County, Florida, to-wit:

2005 FORD EXPEDITION - VIN #1FMPU17505LB13670 2006 CHRYSLER PT CRUISER - VIN #3A4FY58B36T284736

and on the 6th day of September, 2011, at DUCK'S BODY SHOP, 1153 Hawthorne Dr. in the City of Sebring, Highlands County, Florida, at the hour of 1:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as possible, I will offer for sale all of the said defendant, KIMBERLY MIDDLETON's, right, title and interest in the 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, August 3, 2011 SUSAN BENTON, SHERIFF OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA By: /s/ Lt. J. Bailey Jr. Lt. Jack Bailey, Jr. DEPUTY SHERIFF

1050 Legals

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.

August 5, 12, 19, 26, 2011

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Pursuant to a WRIT OF EXECUTION issued out of the Circuit Court of the Seventeenth Judicial Circuit In and For Broward County, Florida, on the 13th day of January, 2010, in the cause wherein ADORNO & YOSS, LLP, a limited liability partnership, is Plaintiff, and FRED STERNBERG, an individual, BONNIE STERNBERG, an individual, BBBENTLEY CORP., f/k/a Baxter International Corp. a dissolved Florida profit corporation, and BBBaxter LLC, a dissolved Delaware limited liability company, are Defendants, being Case No. 09-020781-09 in the said Court, I, Susan Benton, Sheriff of Highlands County, Florida, have levied upon all of the Defendant, BONNIE STERNBERG's, right, title and interest in and to the following described REAL property in Highlands County, Florida, to-wit:

LOT 4, PLANTATION HILL SUBDIVISION, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 16, PAGE 56, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA STREET ADDRESS FOR THE SUBJECT PROPERTY IS:

1706 West Stryker Road, Avon Park, FL 33825 and on the 6th day of September, 2011, at the Commerce Avenue entrance to the Highlands County Courthouse, 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, BONNIE STERNBERG's, right, title and interest in the 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 26, 2011 SUSAN BENTON, SHERIFF OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA By: /s/ Lt. J. Bailey Jr. Lt. Jack Bailey, Jr. DEPUTY SHERIFF

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July 29; August 5, 12, 19, 2011

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION

Case No.: 11-000134-GCS HIGHLANDS INDEPENDENT BANK, Plaintiff,

vs. DAVID WILLIAM SIMONS, CITICAPITAL COMMERCIAL LEASING CORP., CITICAPITAL COMMERCIAL CORP., ROYAL'S, INC., a/k/a ROYAL'S FURNITURE, INC., U.S. BANK, N.A. db/a ELAN FINANCIAL SERVICES, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the "Final Judgment on Verified Complaint" (the "Final Judgment"), entered in the above-styled action on August 4, 2011, the Clerk of Highlands County will sell the property situated in Highlands County, Florida, as described below at a Public Sale, to the highest bidder, for cash, at 590 South Commerce Avenue, Sebring, Florida 33870, on September 6, 2011, at 11:00 a.m.:

SEE ATTACHED EXHIBIT "A" EXHIBIT "A"

Parcel 1: Lot 7 and Lot 8, in Block 2, of VACATION ESTATES, according to the Plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 5, Page 11, of the Public Records of Highlands County, Florida.

Parcel 2: Lot 5898, SYLVAN SHORES ESTATES, SECTION D, According to the Plat thereof, recorded in Plat Book 7, Page 13 of the Public Records of Highlands County, Florida.

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale.

BOB GERMAINE Clerk of the Circuit Court Highlands County, Florida /s/ Annette E. Daff Deputy Clerk August 12, 19, 2011

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION

Case No.: 11-133-GCS HIGHLANDS INDEPENDENT BANK, Plaintiff,

vs. GREGORY B. SOMMERFIELD, ALLISON M. SOMMERFIELD, and BRUCE R. SOMMERFIELD, Defendants.

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Lot 4434, Lot 4435, and Lot 4436, AVON PARK LAKES, UNIT No. 14, according to the Plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 5, at Page 7, of the Public Records of Highlands County, Florida.

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale.

BOB GERMAINE Clerk of the Circuit Court Highlands County, Florida /s/ Annette E. Daff Deputy Clerk August 12, 19, 2011

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1055 Highlands County Legals

HIGHLANDS COUNTY LEGAL NOTICES

The following legal notices are from the Highlands County Board of County Commissioners and are being published in the font, size, and leading as per their specifications.

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1050 Legals

SHEILA R. UCCELLINI Sheila Ryan (Mullen) Uccellini, 64 of Brunswick, NY and Marco Island, FL, passed away unexpectedly Wednesday, August 10, 2011.

Sheila was born November 22nd, 1946 in North Adams, MA, to Martin J. "Jack" Mullen and Geraldine "Gerry" (Shaw) Mullen of Pittsfield, MA. She grew up in North Adams, and spent many memorable summers with her parents, sisters, and brother water skiing in the Long Island Sound off Hawk's Nest Beach in Old Lyme, CT as well as snow skiing on Dutch Hill in Heartwellville, VT. While attending Kenwood Academy in Albany, NY, Sheila met her husband Walter Uccellini, then a student at RPI. After graduation, the couple remained in the Capital Region where Sheila worked for the Latham Medical Group.

Sheila was a world traveler along with her family. She was a superb athlete, a gifted golfer and skier. She was a member of the Country Club of Troy, Hideaway Beach Club, and The Island Country Club where she won several golfing tournaments and awards, made many lasting friendships and cherished many memories. She enjoyed skiing on Whiteface Mountain, and her homes in Marco Island and Lake Placid, where her children and grandchildren vacationed with her every year. She was devoted to her family and they were a source of deep joy to her, especially all of her grandchildren who called her "Gummy".

Sheila was called Gummy after her own grandmother Gertrude Virginia Ryan Mullen, who lived with Sheila while growing up in North Adams. Sheila loved all the children in her life, especially her nieces, nephews, and children of close friends.

She devoted herself every year to helping underprivileged children in Immokalee, Florida through her volunteer efforts with the Guadalupe Center of Immokalee. She served as a member of the Rensselaer County Hospice Board, The Capital District Regional Board for Planned Parenthood, and the Rensselaer County Historical Society, and volunteered at the Saint Gregory's School, Emma Willard School, and the Junior League of Troy. She was a communicant of Sacred Heart Church, Troy and San Marco Catholic Church, Marco Island.

All of her family and friends loved her laugh, humor, and warmth. When she was in your presence she made you feel special, and her energy and compassion filled every environment she was in. Sheila was a charismatic woman both in personality and in giving of herself wholeheartedly to her husband, children, grandchildren, parents, sisters, brother, and in her many friendships. She will be deeply missed.

Survivors in addition to her parents, Jack and Gerry, and husband, Walter, include:

Three children Michael (Aimee) Uccellini of Brunswick, Jessica (Erik) Steffensen, Chicago, Illinois, Tyler Uccellini of Minneapolis, Minnesota, Five grandchildren Gabriella Uccellini, Ryan Uccellini, Isabelle Uccellini, Charlotte Steffensen and Audrey Steffensen, Three sisters Barbara Devine (Jack) of Troy, Shannon Kirby (Thomas) of Ballston Spa, Mary Mullen (Larry Oberwager) of Stockbridge, MA, A brother Martin J. Mullen, Jr. (Denise) of Richmond, MA, and several nieces and nephews.

Mass of Christian Burial was held on Monday, August 15, 2011 at 11:00 a.m. at Sacred Heart Church, Troy, NY. Burial was in St. Mary's Cemetery, Troy.

Arrangements by McLoughlin & Mson Funeral Home, 8-109th Street, Troy NY 12182. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions would be appreciated to the Guadalupe Center of Immokalee, 509 Hope circle, Immokalee, FL 34143, www.guadalupecenter.net or the Community Hospice of Rensselaer County, 295 Valley View Blvd, Rensselaer, NY 12144, www.communityhospice.org For guestbook please visit www.mcloughlinmason.com.

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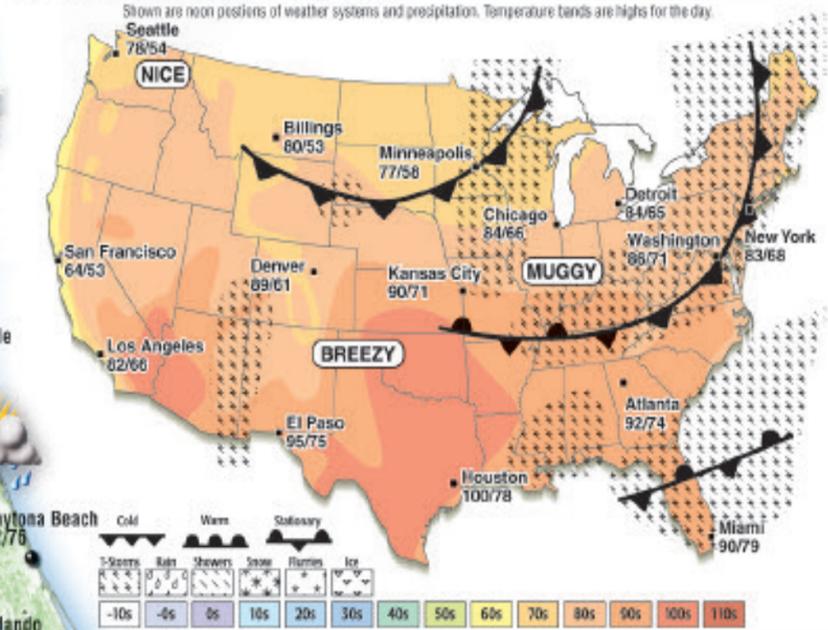
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A couple of afternoon thunderstorms	A couple of afternoon thunderstorms	A p.m. shower or thunderstorm	Chance for an afternoon t-storm	Partly sunny, a t-storm possible
93° / 76°	94° / 76°	94° / 76°	93° / 76°	93° / 76°
Winds: ESE at 4-8 mph	Winds: ESE at 6-12 mph	Winds: E at 7-14 mph	Winds: E at 7-14 mph	Winds: ENE at 7-14 mph

National Forecast for August 19



Almanac

Temperature Readings at Archbold Biological Station in Lake Placid

High Sunday	95°
Low Sunday	71°
High Monday	93°
Low Monday	72°
High Tuesday	91°
Low Tuesday	73°
High Wednesday	95°
Low Wednesday	70°

Heat Index For 3 p.m. today

Relative humidity	51%
Expected air temperature	93°
Makes it feel like	102°

Barometer

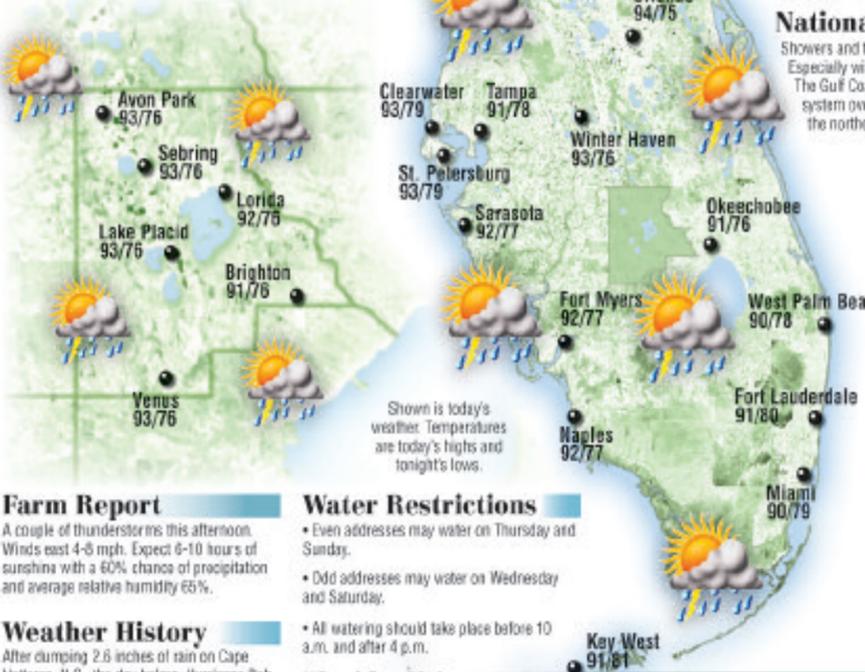
Monday	29.85
Tuesday	29.91
Wednesday	29.91

Precipitation

Monday	0.14"
Tuesday	0.00"
Wednesday	0.70"
Month to date	3.87"
Year to date	30.37"

Regional Summary

Partly sunny today with a few showers and a thunderstorm during the afternoon. A shower or thunderstorm around this evening. A couple of showers and a thunderstorm tomorrow and Sunday afternoon.



Farm Report

A couple of thunderstorms this afternoon. Winds east 4-8 mph. Expect 6-10 hours of sunshine with a 60% chance of precipitation and average relative humidity 65%.

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.

Florida Cities

City	Today	Sat.	Sun.
Cape Coral	93/77	92/77	92/77
Clearwater	93/79	93/79	93/79
Coral Springs	90/78	90/80	92/79
Daytona Beach	92/76	93/76	96/74
FL. Land. Bch	91/80	90/81	90/81
Fort Myers	92/77	92/78	93/77
Gainesville	93/72	94/72	94/72
Hollywood	90/78	91/80	92/80
Homestead AFB	88/78	89/78	90/80
Jacksonville	92/71	94/73	94/74
Key West	91/81	91/83	91/83
Miami	90/79	92/80	92/80
Okeechobee	91/76	89/77	91/76
Orlando	94/75	93/75	94/75
Pembroke Pines	96/78	91/80	92/80
St. Augustine	89/75	89/74	89/75
St. Petersburg	93/79	93/78	93/78
Sarasota	92/77	94/77	95/77
Tallahassee	95/74	96/75	90/74
Tampa	91/78	92/78	92/78
W. Palm Bch	90/78	91/80	93/80
Winter Haven	93/76	95/75	95/76

Weather History

After dumping 2.6 inches of rain on Cape Hatteras, N.C., the day before, Hurricane Bob ripped through eastern New England during the afternoon of Aug. 19, 1991.

Sun and Moon

	Today	Saturday
Sunrise	7:00 a.m.	7:01 a.m.
Sunset	7:59 p.m.	7:53 p.m.
Moonrise	11:13 p.m.	11:53 p.m.
Moonset	11:58 a.m.	12:51 p.m.

Tides

Readings at St. Petersburg

High	5:19 a.m.
Low	12:24 p.m.
High	6:35 p.m.
Low	11:40 p.m.

Lake Levels

Readings as of 7 a.m. yesterday

Lake Jackson	78.36'
Lake Okeechobee	10.34'
Normal	14.51'

UV Index Today



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National Summary

Showers and thunderstorms will continue across the Eastern Seaboard today as a cold front cuts into muggy air. Especially with recent rounds of heavy rain, the localized downpours could contribute to incidents of flash flooding. The Gulf Coast and Florida will also remain unsettled as a front remains stalled across the area. Yet another storm system over the Upper Midwest will trigger showers and thunderstorms across the western Great Lakes back to the northern High Plains.

U.S. Cities

City	Today	Sat.	Sun.
Albuquerque	90/70	91/70	92/70
Atlanta	92/74	95/76	93/73
Baltimore	84/65	86/68	88/68
Birmingham	94/75	96/75	97/75
Boston	84/67	81/68	83/67
Charlotte	92/67	94/73	96/73
Cheyenne	83/57	80/56	85/59
Chicago	84/66	90/64	84/63
Cleveland	84/65	84/62	86/69
Columbus	88/68	87/69	87/71
Dallas	100/82	105/79	101/79
Denver	89/61	89/61	90/63
Detroit	84/63	85/63	82/66
Harrisburg	84/53	83/55	87/65
Honolulu	89/73	89/73	89/73
Houston	100/78	100/78	100/78
Indianapolis	88/69	85/68	87/72
Jackson, MS	98/74	96/72	97/73
Kansas City	90/71	89/71	91/73
Lakeland	90/80	90/80	93/79
Little Rock	100/79	99/75	98/75
Los Angeles	82/66	82/66	82/66
Lucasville	90/73	94/73	93/75
Manassas	96/80	100/79	96/77
Minneapolis	77/58	82/62	88/64
Nashville	94/74	96/75	95/75
New Orleans	92/77	93/78	92/77
New York City	83/63	85/63	85/70
Norfolk	86/72	92/75	91/74
Oklahoma City	118/77	110/74	110/72
Philadelphia	85/68	88/70	88/71
Phoenix	105/87	103/84	104/85
Pittsburgh	84/64	88/63	84/63
Portland, ME	78/61	78/53	79/52
Portland, OR	82/67	88/64	84/65
Raleigh	90/69	92/70	94/70
Rochester	80/59	85/62	83/65
St. Louis	90/74	89/75	92/75
San Francisco	64/53	63/54	67/56
Seattle	78/54	82/56	78/59
Wash., DC	86/71	90/72	91/73

World Cities

City	Today	Sat.	Sun.
Acapulco	91/77	91/77	89/78
Athens	93/71	90/70	93/74
Bahia	85/72	86/72	87/73
Berlin	74/58	70/54	77/61
Bermuda	83/77	82/79	82/75
Calgary	67/45	67/44	75/53
Dublin	63/45	64/52	66/54
Edmonton	67/44	69/47	70/50
Fredericton	88/78	91/78	91/78
Geneva	83/55	87/63	90/65
Hanalei	88/75	89/75	90/75
Hong Kong	89/82	89/82	90/80
Jerusalem	81/62	85/64	85/63
Johannesburg	64/46	68/47	71/47
Kiev	73/58	80/66	86/55
Lندن	73/54	75/66	83/70
Montreal	82/64	82/66	79/57
Moscow	73/51	67/56	65/54
Nice	87/71	89/74	89/74
Ottawa	82/62	81/62	78/59
Quebec	79/61	81/59	75/53
Rio de Janeiro	94/78	79/61	66/53
Seoul	87/66	86/65	85/67
Singapore	88/77	88/77	88/77
Sydney	63/46	64/47	64/46
Toronto	88/64	85/60	79/60
Vancouver	73/53	72/53	74/58
Vienna	83/64	79/61	80/62
Warsaw	75/50	63/53	72/56
Winnipeg	74/46	76/51	69/51

Honoring The Greatest Sacrifice

Vickie Jones of the News-Sun presents Alicia Jetton (Left) a check to help with her twins. Her husband, Pfc. Joshua Jetton was killed June 20th in Afghanistan.

The News-Sun would like to thank the following businesses for participating in July's CELEBRATE FREEDOM section from which part of the proceeds were donated to Alicia. As always we appreciate your community support to pull together for this family. Hours after leaving the News-Sun Monday, Alicia gave birth to Carter and Hayden.

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12th Annual Firemen Memorial set to tee off

By DAN HOEHNE
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SEBRING - In existence since 1927, with the sole purpose of raising money for area student-athletes, the Sebring Firemen will host the 12th Annual Memorial Golf Classic presented by AXA Advisors and Home Depot, Saturday, Aug. 20, on both the Deer and Turtle Run courses of Sun 'N Lake Golf and Country Club.

The event, which tees off in a Four-Person Scramble format at 8:30 a.m., following registration that begins at 7:30 a.m.

"For all these years, 80-plus now, we've been helping the kids," tourna-

ment organizer Tommy Lovett Sr. said. "It's all about the student-athletes, with the emphasis on both, because if they're not doing well as a student, they probably shouldn't be playing a sport. And we wouldn't be able to do any of it without the support of the public and all the businesses that help us out."

As with all Firemen events, proceeds go toward maintaining the Sebring High School Football and Baseball fields, as well as assist with all area athletic programs - last year's event generated more than \$20,000.

"Every dollar goes to

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News-Sun photo by DAN HOEHNE

The 2011 Lady Blue Streak volleyball team. Back row, left to right: Lyndsey Whittington, Stephanie Struck, Kenzie Hargaden, Kaley Walter, Meghan Lollis, Bella Caraballo, Sydney Connelly and Jordan Hinkle. Front row, left to right: Allie Mann, Madison Harris, head coach Vanessa Sinness, Dino Lower and Bianca Nortelus. Below: Connelly leads a host of high-flying, heavy-hitters for the Lady Blue Streaks this season.

Lady Streaks ready to roll

By DAN HOEHNE
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SEBRING - With a senior-heavy roster, one would think that experience would be among the Sebring volleyball team's greater strengths heading into this 2011 season.

"Yes and no," head coach Vanessa Sinness said. "We have experience, but a lot of the girls were back and forth last year. Stephanie (Struck) and Kaley (Walter) were the main ones that played regularly."

But even the smaller doses of varsity experience add up, with perhaps the biggest step forward being taken by setter Dino Lower.

"She has grown immensely since last year, leadership wise," Sinness said.

Something, Lower says, that comes from growing into the position.

"Last year was my first as the varsity setter and it was real nerve-wracking at times," she said. "I'm a lot more comfortable and confident with it this year."

Ability and size this team

does have as great assets heading into the year, with middles Walter and Meghan Lollis each hovering around 6-feet and hitters like Struck, Sydney Connelly, Kenzie Hargaden and Bella Caraballo all 5-foot-9 or above - also with the hops to take them higher.

"We've got some real big hitters," Lower said, speaking of their ability as well as their stature.

The defense on the back line will be anchored by senior Bianca Nortelus, coming in with two years of varsity experience, and will be flanked by the Madison Harris and Allie Mann.

And though not quite as tall as her outside hitting counterparts, sophomore Jordan Hinkle throws a wrinkle into the mix with surprising leaps and a strong left-handed spike.

Finally there's Lower's understudy at setter, sophomore Lyndsey Whittington, who Sinness has high hopes for.

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News-Sun file photo by DAN HOEHNE

There is still room and time to join in as the 12th Annual Firemen Memorial Golf Classic, presented by AXA Advisors and Home Depot, sets to tee off tomorrow morning at the Sun 'N Lake Golf and Country Club.

Highlands Youth Football kicks off new season

Special to the News-Sun
HAINES CITY - The Highlands Youth Football & Cheer Organization (HYFC) began their season on Saturday, Aug. 13, as the newest youth football and cheer sports program in Highlands County.

HYFC is part of the Police Athletic League (PAL) Association Sunshine Conference and participated in the Kick-Off Classic foot-

ball game. The Highlands Eagles football teams and cheerleaders have been working hard since practice began in early July at the Highlands County Sports Complex.

Coaches have been very pleased with the progress the teams and cheerleaders have made.

Teams have really come together, relationships have formed and the coaches are

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Courtesy photo

Nyke Echvarria gets around the corner on his way to one of two touchdowns he would score in last Saturday's win for the Highlands County Eagles JV team.

Will Miami case lead to 'fundamental change'?

By STEVEN WINE

Associated Press

CORAL GABLES — The latest scandalous allegations in college football — this time at the University of Miami — have renewed talk by the NCAA of the need for "fundamental change" in athletics.

And Hurricanes officials say they're eager to resolve the case.

Former booster Nevin Shapiro, now serving 20 years in federal prison for his role in a Ponzi scheme, claims he provided Miami players with prostitutes, cars and other gifts over the past decade.

"If the assertions are true, the alleged conduct at the University of Miami is an illustration of the need for serious and fundamental change in many critical aspects of college sports," NCAA president Mark Emmert said in a statement.



MCT photo

The Miami Hurricanes' Mascot, Ibis, rushes the field with players at start of the Miami football team's annual spring game April 16. The team is now facing a harsh reality of major violations

In the past 18 months, last week, Emmert led a group of university presidents — including Miami's Donna Shalala — in drafting an outline for change in college sports.

Shalala said she was upset, disheartened and sad-

dened by Shapiro's allegations.

"We will vigorously pursue the truth, wherever that path may lead, and I have insisted upon complete, honest and transparent

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THE SCOREBOARD

SPORTS SNAPSHOTS

Major League Baseball

AMERICAN LEAGUE				
East Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	74	47	.612	—
Boston	74	48	.607	½
Tampa Bay	66	56	.541	8½
Toronto	63	60	.512	12
Baltimore	47	74	.388	27
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Detroit	65	58	.528	—
Cleveland	61	58	.513	2
Chicago	61	61	.500	3½
Minnesota	54	68	.443	10½
Kansas City	51	73	.411	14½
West Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Texas	72	52	.581	—
Los Angeles	65	59	.524	7
Oakland	55	68	.447	16½
Seattle	53	69	.434	18

Tuesday's Games
 Boston 3, Tampa Bay 1, 1st game
 Detroit 7, Minnesota 1
 Tampa Bay 6, Boston 2, 2nd game
 Chicago White Sox 8, Cleveland 7, 14
 innings
 N.Y. Yankees 9, Kansas City 7
 Oakland 8, Baltimore 4
 Texas 7, L.A. Angels 3
 Toronto 13, Seattle 7

Wednesday's Games
 Tampa Bay 4, Boston 0
 Oakland 6, Baltimore 5
 Minnesota 6, Detroit 5
 Cleveland 4, Chicago White Sox 1
 Kansas City 5, N.Y. Yankees 4
 Texas 4, L.A. Angels 3
 Toronto 5, Seattle 1

Thursday's Games
 Boston at Kansas City, late
 Cleveland at Chicago White Sox, late
 N.Y. Yankees at Minnesota, late
 Texas at L.A. Angels, late
 Toronto at Oakland, late

Friday's Games
 Cleveland (Tomlin 12-5) at Detroit
 (Scherzer 12-7), 7:05 p.m.
 Seattle (F.Hernandez 11-10) at Tampa
 Bay (W.Davis 8-7), 7:10 p.m.
 Boston (A.Miller 4-1) at Kansas City
 (Francis 4-13), 8:10 p.m.
 N.Y. Yankees (P.Hughes 3-4) at
 Minnesota (Slowey 0-0), 8:10 p.m.
 Texas (M.Harrison 10-8) at Chicago
 White Sox (Peavy 5-5), 8:10 p.m.
 Baltimore (Jo-Reyes 6-9) at L.A.
 Angels (Haren 12-6), 10:05 p.m.
 Toronto (Cecil 4-5) at Oakland (Harden
 3-2), 10:05 p.m.

LEAGUE LEADERS
BATTING — Gonzalez, BOS, .346;
 Young, TEX, .342; **Kotchman**, TB, .332;
 Martinez, DET, .325; Cabrera, DET, .323
HOME RUNS — Bautista, TOR, 35;
 Granderson, NYY, 34; Teixeira, NYY, 32;
 Reynolds, BAL, 27; Konerko, CHW, 27
RBI — Granderson, NYY, 95; Gonzalez,
 BOS, 92; Teixeira, NYY, 89; Cano, NYY,
 86; Young, TEX, 85
DOUBLES — Zobrist, TB, 40; Gordon,
 KC, 36; Gonzalez, BOS, 36; Young, TEX,
 36; Francoeur, KC, 35; Cabrera, KC, 33
WINS — Verlander, DET, 18-5; Sabathia,
 NYY, 16-7; Weaver, LAA, 14-6; Nova,
 NYY, 12-4; 3 tied at 12-5
STRIKEOUTS — Verlander, DET, 204;
 Hernandez, SEA, 176; Sabathia, NYY,
 175; **Shields**, TB, 173; **Price**, TB, 164
SAVES — Valverde, DET, 35; Rivera,
 NYY, 32; League, SEA, 30; Papelbon,
 BOS, 28; Walden, LAA, 26

NATIONAL LEAGUE				
East Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Philadelphia	79	42	.653	—
Atlanta	72	52	.581	8½
New York	60	63	.488	20
Washington	58	63	.479	21
Florida	57	66	.463	23
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Milwaukee	73	51	.589	—
St. Louis	66	58	.532	7
Cincinnati	60	63	.488	12½
Pittsburgh	58	64	.475	14
Chicago	54	70	.435	19
Houston	40	84	.323	33
West Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Arizona	69	54	.561	—
San Francisco	67	57	.540	2½
Colorado	58	67	.464	12
Los Angeles	55	67	.451	13½
San Diego	55	70	.440	15

Tuesday's Games
 Arizona 3, Philadelphia 2
 Washington 6, Cincinnati 4
 Pittsburgh 5, St. Louis 4, 11 innings
 Atlanta 2, San Francisco 1, 11 innings
 Houston 6, Chicago Cubs 5
 Milwaukee 2, L.A. Dodgers 1
 Florida 6, Colorado 5
 San Diego 6, N.Y. Mets 1

Wednesday's Games
 Houston 4, Chicago Cubs 3
 N.Y. Mets 7, San Diego 3
 Philadelphia 9, Arizona 2
 Cincinnati 2, Washington 1
 St. Louis 7, Pittsburgh 2
 San Francisco 7, Atlanta 5
 Milwaukee 3, L.A. Dodgers 1
 Colorado 12, Florida 5

Thursday's Games
 L.A. Dodgers at Milwaukee, late
 Arizona at Philadelphia, late
 Cincinnati at Washington, late
 San Francisco at Atlanta, late
 Florida at San Diego, late

Friday's Games
 St. Louis (J.Garcia 10-6) at Chicago
 Cubs (R.Wells 4-4), 2:20 p.m.
 Cincinnati (H.Bailey 7-5) at Pittsburgh
 (Correia 12-11), 7:05 p.m.
 Philadelphia (Oswalt 5-7) at
 Washington (L.Hernandez 7-11), 7:05
 p.m.
 Milwaukee (Marcum 10-3) at N.Y. Mets
 (Pelfrey 6-9), 7:10 p.m.
 Arizona (D.Hudson 12-8) at Atlanta
 (D.Lowe 7-11), 7:35 p.m.
 San Francisco (Vogelsohn 10-2) at
 Houston (W.Rodriguez 8-9), 8:05 p.m.
 L.A. Dodgers (Kuroda 8-14) at Colorado
 (Hammel 7-11), 8:40 p.m.
 Florida (Volstad 5-9) at San Diego
 (LeBlanc 1-2), 10:05 p.m.

LEAGUE LEADERS
BATTING — Reyes, NYM, .336; Braun,
 MIL, .329; Morse, WAS, .322; Voitto,
 CIN, .321; Murphy, NYM, .320
HOME RUNS — Pujols, STL, 30;
Stanton, FLA, 29; Berkman, STL, 28;
 Kemp, LAD, 28; Fielder, MIL, 27; Uggla,
 ATL, 27
RBI — Howard, PHL, 95; Fielder, MIL,
 89; Kemp, LAD, 89; Tulowitzki, COL, 85;
 Bruce, CIN, 80
DOUBLES — Upton, ARI, 34; Tulowitzki,
 COL, 32; Beltran, SF, 31; A. McCutchen,



LIVE SPORTS ON TV

AUTO RACING

SATURDAY
2:30 p.m. NASCAR — NAPA Auto Parts 200 ESPN
11 p.m. NHRA — Lucas Oil Series ESPN2

BOXING

FRIDAY
9 p.m. Friday Night Fights ESPN2

GOLF

FRIDAY
9 a.m. EuroPGA — Czech Open GOLF
12:30 p.m. PGA — Constellation Energy Players GOLF
3 p.m. PGA — Wyndham Championship GOLF
6:30 p.m. LPGA — Safeway Classic GOLF

SATURDAY
1 p.m. PGA — Wyndham Championship GOLF
3 p.m. PGA — Wyndham Championship CBS
3 p.m. PGA — Constellation Energy Players GOLF
6:30 p.m. LPGA — Safeway Classic GOLF

LITTLE LEAGUE WORLD SERIES

FRIDAY
1 p.m. Canada vs. Saudi Arabia ESPN
3 p.m. Rhode Island vs. California ESPN
5 p.m. Kentucky vs. Pennsylvania ESPN2
8 p.m. Netherlands vs. Venezuela ESPN

SATURDAY
Noon Teams TBA ESPN
3 p.m. Teams TBA ABC
6 p.m. Teams TBA ESPN
8 p.m. Teams TBA ESPN

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

FRIDAY
7 p.m. Seattle at Tampa Bay SUN

SATURDAY
4 p.m. Regional — Cincinnati at Pittsburgh, Milwaukee
 at N.Y. Mets or St. Louis at Chicago Cubs FOX
7 p.m. Texas at Chicago White Sox WGN

NFL PRESEASON

FRIDAY
8 p.m. Atlanta at Jacksonville. FOX

SOFTBALL

SATURDAY
7 p.m. Junior League, Final. ESPN2

TENNIS

FRIDAY
1 p.m. ATP — Western and Southern Open . . . ESPN2
7 p.m. ATP — Western and Southern Open . . . ESPN2

SATURDAY
1 p.m. ATP — Western and Southern Open . . . ESPN2
6 p.m. USTA Boys 18s and 16s SUN
7 p.m. ATP — Western and Southern Open . . . ESPN2

Times, games, channels all subject to change

PIT, 30; Pence, PHL, 30; Holliday, STL, 30	Connecticut	16	8	.667	1½
WINS — Kennedy, ARI, 15-3; Halladay, PHL, 15-5; Kershaw, LAD, 14-5; Hamels, PHL, 13-7; Hamels, PHL, 13-7	New York	14	11	.560	4
STRIKEOUTS — Kershaw, LAD, 193; Lee, PHL, 184; Halladay, PHL, 177; Lincecum, SF, 175; A. Sanchez, FLA, 160	Atlanta	12	12	.500	5
SAVES — Axford, MIL, 36; Kimbrel, ATL, 36; Wilson, SF, 35; Nunez, FLA, 33 ; Storen, WAS, 32; Bell, SD, 32	Chicago	11	14	.440	7
	Washington	5	17	.227	11½

WESTERN CONFERENCE					
	W	L	Pct	GB	
Minnesota	18	6	.750	—	
Phoenix	14	10	.583	4	
San Antonio	13	11	.542	5	
Seattle	13	12	.520	5½	
Los Angeles	9	14	.391	8½	
Tulsa	1	22	.043	16	

Major League Soccer

EASTERN CONFERENCE						
	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Columbus	10	7	7	37	27	23
Philadelphia	8	5	10	34	29	22
Sporting KC	8	7	9	33	35	31
Houston	7	7	11	32	31	30
New York	6	6	13	31	39	35
D.C.	7	6	9	30	33	33
Toronto FC	4	11	11	23	25	46
New England	4	11	10	22	24	37
Chicago	2	7	14	20	25	32

WESTERN CONFERENCE						
	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Los Angeles	13	3	9	48	35	20
FC Dallas	12	6	7	43	33	26
Seattle	11	5	9	42	35	27
Colorado	10	6	10	40	37	32
Real Salt Lake	10	6	6	36	30	17
Chivas USA	7	8	9	30	30	26
Portland	7	12	5	26	30	40
San Jose	5	9	10	25	26	32
Vancouver	3	12	9	18	25	40

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

Wednesday's Games
 New England 1, Houston 1, tie
 Sporting KC 3, Portland 1

Thursday's Game
 D.C. United at Chicago, late

Saturday's Games
 Philadelphia at Columbus, 7:30 p.m.
 New York at New England, 7:30 p.m.
 Real Salt Lake at Houston, 8:30 p.m.
 Seattle FC at FC Dallas, 9 p.m.
 Chivas USA at Colorado, 9 p.m.
 Vancouver at Portland, 10 p.m.
 San Jose at Los Angeles, 10:30 p.m.

Sunday's Games
 Toronto FC at Chicago, 7 p.m.
 D.C. United at Sporting KC, 8:30 p.m.

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Red Devil golf tryouts

AVON PARK — Avon Park High School boys and girls golf team tryouts began 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.

Kayak Tours

SEBRING — Sebring Kayak Tours has three upcoming trips this month for some fun times on area waters.

Saturday Aug. 20 — Morning Tour — Arbuckle Creek, Sebring

Launching at 9 a.m. from Lake Istokpoga 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 202-0815 or email SebringKayakTours@yahoo.com.

Hope to see you on the water!

Avon Park Fall Ball

AVON PARK — The Avon Park Dixie Youth Baseball Inc. is currently holding Fall Ball registration from today through Sept. 9, for kids aged 4-12-years old.

Players can pick up their registrations at the Top Shop at 12 N. Anoka Ave. in Avon Park from 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

When registering, players must provide a copy of Birth Certificate, recent photo and payment in full.

For more information and any questions, call Chris Tolar at (863) 253-0897.

Softball sign-ups

SEBRING — Sebring Youth Fastpitch Softball has begun Fall registration.

Age groups include 6 through 16-years old.

Parents can register their child online at www.sebringsoftball.com, by calling 381-6521, or in person on Friday, Sept. 2 from 5-8 a.m. at the Max Long Batting Cages.

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 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.

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.

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

SEC ADs staying mum on expansion

By KYLE HIGHTOWER

Associated Press

ORLANDO

Tennessee's interim athletics director said Wednesday that she is referring all questions about possible expansion of Southeastern Conference to the league's commissioner.

During the SEC's annual meeting of athletic directors, Tennessee's Joan Cronan said don't expect any expansion news from the meeting.

"I think all you're going to get from any of us is 'no comment,' Cronan said. She added that the ADs "are deferring all questions about expansion to the (SEC) commissioner."

Several other SEC athletic directors declined any comment.

The meetings concluded on Thursday.

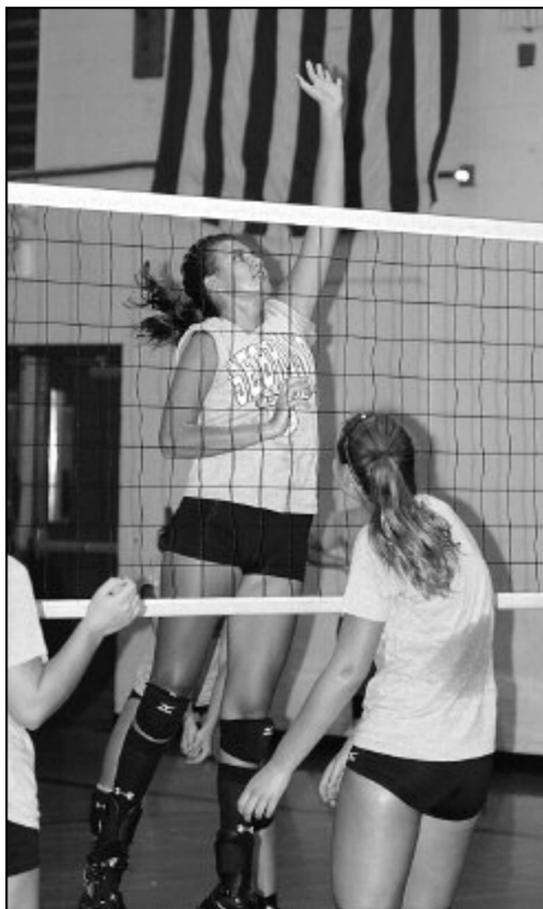
Reports continue to swirl this week about Texas A&M possibly becoming the SEC's 13th member.

Florida president and SEC president and chancellors committee chairman Bernie Machen said recently that though they are satisfied with their current alignment, future conditions may make it advantageous to expand.

Texas A&M plans to take a while before making a decision on its conference affiliation.

School President R. Bowen Loftin has said there is no timetable for any decision and any realignment by Texas A&M will take place after a "lengthy" process.

"What we do, if anything, will be in the best interest of Texas A&M and the state of Texas," Loftin said earlier this week. "We're also very concerned about the members of the Big 12. We don't want the Big 12 to go away. We have no intention of doing anything that might precipitate that."



News-Sun photo by DAN HOEHNE
The imposing presence of the likes of Meghan Lollis in the middle should benefit the Lady Streaks this season.

Sebring to see small, tough new district

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"Lindsey is a very good setter already, but Dino's going to do a lot of mentoring this season," she said. "She's still growing and I could see her as a Britt (Augustine) type who can set and be a scoring threat."

"We have the size, athleticism and ability, but we're slow in our transitions right now," Sinness continued. "We're working on getting past having to think it too much and that will come with experience."

And so it may be a growing process as the team will make its way through a new district this year.

Sebring joins up with Lakeland-Kathleen, Winter Haven and Lake Gibson to form a small, though very tough district.

"Lake Gibson is really good and Winter Haven didn't lose anyone from last year, so they're going to be hard for anyone to get past,"

Sinness said. "But we'll be in the mix and if we continue to get better, you never know where we'll end up. It always seems like that, no matter what district we're in, how many teams are in it, we're just outside the top two or three. One of these years we're going to break through."

Which the optimistic Lower wouldn't doubt could be this year.

"I think we're going to be really good," she said. "With the big hitters we've got and how good our passing is already, I'm real confident we'll do well."

The season kicks off Tuesday with the annual Pre Season Classic, with Okeechobee and Lake Placid squaring off at 6 p.m. and Sebring facing Avon Park at 7:30 p.m.

The losing teams of those two match-ups play Thursday at 6 p.m. with the winning teams meeting after.



Miami under investigation

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cooperation with the NCAA from our staff and students," Shalala said in a statement.

Most cases are resolved in six to seven months, but more complex investigations take longer, an NCAA official said.

Shapiro began making his allegations about a year ago.

He told Yahoo Sports that 72 football players and other athletes at Miami received improper benefits from him in the past decade.

Shapiro was sentenced to prison in June for masterminding a \$930 million Ponzi scheme, plus ordered to pay more than \$82 million in restitution to investors.

NCAA investigators were on the Miami campus this week and have interviewed Shalala and athletic director Shawn Eichorst.

Eichorst was hired as athletic director in April to replace Kirby Hocutt, who became AD at Texas Tech.

Al Golden became the Hurricanes' coach in December after Randy Shannon was fired.

Golden's entire team practiced Wednesday, even though the claims by Shapiro involve several current players.

Golden said it was too soon to take disciplinary action.

His team opens the season Sept. 5 against Maryland.

Yahoo Sports published its story Tuesday, saying it spent 100 hours interviewing Shapiro over the span of 11 months and audited thousands of pages of financial and business records to examine his claims, some involving events nearly a decade ago.

The NCAA's four-year statute of limitations doesn't apply when there is a pattern of willful violations that continues into the past four

years.

A person familiar with the situation said much of Shapiro's access to Hurricane programs in recent years was approved by Hocutt.

The person spoke to The Associated Press on condition of anonymity because of the ongoing investigation.

Hocutt, the person said, allowed Shapiro on the sideline before football games at times during the 2008 season, plus invited him to select gatherings reserved for the athletic department's biggest donors.

"That's what Kirby did," the person said. "His No. 1 job was to raise money and this Nevin Shapiro guy was one of the few people Kirby could get to write checks."

In a statement, Hocutt said Shapiro was treated like other members of the Hurricane Club.

"While I was athletics director, the benefits and experiences Mr. Shapiro received were consistent with those provided to others at his membership level," Hocutt said. "I never personally approved any special access for Mr. Shapiro to university athletics events or programs."

Larry Coker, who coached the Hurricanes in 2001-06, said he had not been contacted by the NCAA or Miami about the investigation.

Any coach or athletic direction involved in the case who now works at another school could be subject to NCAA punishment if found guilty of a violation.

The AP interviewed more than a dozen former Miami players, and their reactions ranged from denials of involvement to declining comment.

AP Sports Writers Michael Marot, Tim Reynolds, Betsy Blaney and Paul Weber contributed to this report.

Jarrett 65s Softball win

Courtesy photo

The Bill Jarrett Ford 65 Softball Team won their bracket at a recent tournament held in Altamonte Springs. Kneeling, left to right: Bill Todd, Harold Baucom, Andy Timermanis, Victor Rodriguez and Ross McMinn. Standing, left to right: Brian Pluta, Gary Tankersly, Harry Bell (Manager), Ron Berkum, Curt Brown, John Kloet, Bob Richards, Bob Roth and Bobby Fulcher.



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Golf Hammock

The Mezza Group played Individual Pro-Am Points at Golf Hammock CC on Monday, Aug. 15..

Ed Northrup scored a minus 1, good for first place in A group and Doug Haire had a minus 5 for second place.

In B group Tony Frances was even to take first place and Shorty Crocker was minus 2 for second place.

Terry Yandle shot a plus 3 to take the lead in C group and Bill Ringo made a plus 2 for second place.

Larry Sproy shot a plus 4 for first place in D group while Frank Branca and Ralph Scharff tied for second place at minus 1.

Next Monday, Aug. 22, the Mezza Group will play at Golf Hammock CC beginning at 7:45 a.m.

For more information call Pete Mezza at 382-1280.

Lake June West Golf Club

A Mixed Scramble was played on Thursday, August 11.

Winning first place was the team of Joe and Joyce Swartz, John and Gloria Huggett and Betty Billau with 54; second place, Dick and Norma Denhart, John and Sue Ruffo and Margaret Schultz with 56; and third place, Ron Hesson, Dick and Nancy Reaney and Charlotte Mathew with 60.

Closest to the pin: (Ladies), No. Joyce Swartz, 23-feet-1-inch.

The Men's Association played a Men's League event on Wednesday,

August 10.

Winning first place was the team of Ron Hesson, Jack Maginnis, Don Boulton and John Ruffo with 45; and second place, Dick Denhart, Dave Colvin, Dick Reaney and Joe Swartz with 46.

Closest to the pin: No. 4, Dave Colvin, 10-feet-9-inches; and No. 8, Joe Swartz, 8-feet-9-inches.

Pinecrest

On Wednesday, Aug. 17, the Men's Association played Team and Pro-Am Points.

Winning first place was the team of Ron Taylor, Chuck Primeua and Paul Ford won with plus-8 points.

Individual winners were: A division - First place, Nic Staffiere with plus-10. B division - First place, Chuck Primeua with plus-5. C division, tying for first place were Paul Ford and J.W. McCamic with plus-5 each.

River Greens

The Men's Association played a

Senior Tip

MASTER STROKES

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Retirement Party Many seniors have nervous, quick, "handsy" putting strokes. Seniors also are notorious for being too attached to their old equipment. If you're a senior who's having putting woes, try this cure: Switch out your "old faithful" for a putter with a much heavier head weight. A heavier putter will automatically slow down your nervous, quick stroke. It also will help keep the clubhead down during the stroke, as opposed to snatching the putter upward on the backstroke. All this will help restore a calm, slow, even tempo, with the clubhead moving levelly and squarely at impact, resulting in a smoother roll to the ball. Try a heavier putter on the practice green to see if it can restore your putting confidence, and let your ol' putter retire.

By Jim McLean, owner, Jim McLean Golf School, author of the best-selling books "The Slot Swing" and "The 8-Step Swing," illustrated by Phil Franke'

Men's Day event on Saturday, Aug. 13. Tying for first/second places were the teams of J.R. Messier, Len Westdale and Harold Kline; Cecil Lemons, Jim Cercy and Fred Evans with minus-21 each.

Closest to the pin: No. 3, Bob Streeter, 6-feet-3-inches; No. 5, Joe

Craigo, 5-feet-10-inches; No. 12, J.R. Messier, 3-feet; and No. 17, Cecil Lemons, 25-feet-7.5-inches.

On Friday evening, Aug. 12, a Scramble was played.

Winning first place was the team of Don and Jody Ethan, Tom Stewart, Pat and Joe Graf.

The Morrison Group played a game on Thursday, Aug. 11.

Winning first place was the team of Romy Febre, Harold Plagens and Jim Cercy with minus-20.

The Ladies Association played a Pro-Am tournament event on Thursday, Aug. 11.

The winners were: First place, Barb Stuber; and second place, Fran Neil.

The Men's Association played a Pro-Am tournament on Wednesday, Aug. 10.

Winning first place was the team of Keith Kincer, Jim Cercy, Lefty St. Pierre and Joe Graf with plus-5.

Individual winners were: First place, Bob Streeter with plus-1.5; second place, Tim Thomas with plus-5; and

third place, Joe Graf with plus-1.

SpringLake

The SpringLake Women's Golf Association played a Four Person Scramble Tournament on Wednesday, Aug. 17 on Cougar 10 and Panther 1 courses.

Team No. 4, consisting of Teri Swisher, Judy Dunn and Jean Donahue, won first place with a par 72.

Dottie Blackwell, Rita Jaskowski, Rosie Foote and Julia Starr, Team No. 1, came in with a 73 to win second place.

On Tuesday, Aug. 15, the SpringLake Men's Golf Association held an Individual Net Score tournament, using the front nine of Panther and the back nine of Cougar.

The front nine of Cougar is closed for construction of two new holes.

In the A Flight, Pat Jaskowski won first place with a net 69 and Bob Hinde took second place with a net 70.

There was a tie for third place in A Flight between Edd Vowels and Gary Behrendt at 71.

We want to congratulate a new member, 18-year old Russell Rigg, a local high school golfer, who shot a scratch 72.

In B Flight, Chips Ryan got hot and won first place with a net 66.

Grouchy old Ed Clay took second place with a net 69 and Jim Foote placed third with a net 70.

Firemen host biggest fundraiser of the year

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the kids, from Dixie all the way up through high school," Lovett said. "Every athletic function that goes on in the greater Sebring area, we want to help."

Last year alone, the Firemen gave a \$33,000 check to the Sebring High School athletic department, in addition to many other contributions given on an as-needed basis.

"I think if you added it all up, we wrote checks that totaled nearly \$100,000," Lovett said. "We want to give out all of it."

While times are tough, the entry fee of \$75 per player has remained one of the few prices that hasn't gone up.

The fee includes golf cart for the day of play, one mulligan, range balls and prizes - with food and beverages

being provided on the course.

Bronze sponsorships are also available for \$500, which gives the contributor a free four-man team as well as a hole sponsorship on each of the courses.

"As a fundraiser, it's hard to really have a cut-off for entries," Lovett said. "We'll wait until Friday for all the teams to sign up so we can make the most of the money we hope to raise. The folks at Sun 'N Lake work that real well for us.

"The last few years, we've had to use both the Turtle and Deer Run courses and have had between 200 and 240 golfers," Lovett continued. "We hope to get the same sort of support this year. Right now we have around 240. It's all about the kids. Our sole purpose is to raise money for the kids of the area, so we need golfers to sign up."

Preceding the day of golf, a mixer will be held at the new Sun 'N Lake Golf and Country Club Friday, Aug. 19, beginning at 6 p.m., and will feature music, bar and a slew of strong hors d'oeuvres.

At the mixer, the various raffle items and silent auction memorabilia can be perused, for the drawings and bids being revealed at the post-tournament luncheon Saturday.

Up for raffle are two 50" TVs, assorted other televisions of various sizes, golf equipment and four tickets each, at the 40-yard line, to the Capital One Bowl (SEC vs. Big Ten) and Champs Sporting Goods Bowl (ACC vs. Big Ten), four courtside tickets to the Florida-Stetson basketball game at the Amway Center Monday, Nov. 28 and gift cards from busi-



News-Sun file photo by DAN HOEHNE
An estimated 240 golfers have already signed up for this year's Firemen's Memorial Golf Classic, with more room and time left to sign up.

nesses throughout the community.

Autographed memorabilia feature the likes of Tim Tebow, Percy Harvin, Urban Meyer, Steve Spurrier, Will Muschamp, Nick Saban and Jimbo Fisher among state

football standouts.

"For the Firemen, this is our biggest fund raiser of the year," Lovett said. "There are many others, the FACA All-Star events, barbecues and the like, but this is our biggest."

With its great setting, organization, play and fun, the event has grown into one of the largest one-day events in central Florida and, as with all that the Firemen do, is an ever-growing way to give back.

Eagles see first-day success at Haines City

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expecting good things to come during the season.

The Eagles traveled to Cook Field in Haines City to take on the Haines City Rattlers.

The anticipation of getting to play in the first jamboree game was finally here.

Coaches have been getting their game strategies together and player hopes were high.

Full games with each team playing four quarters of ball were scheduled for the day.

Taking the field in new helmets and uniforms, the Eagles teams made their first appearance with cheerleaders on the sidelines, cheering the teams on and looking awesome in their new uniforms.

The first team to take the field was the Flag team, ages 5 and 6 years old, coached by Bob Ford.

The game was a very exciting, close game with the Eagles getting their first win of the day with a score of 20-19

Next to take the field was the Mighty Might team, ages 7, 8 and 9, coached by Willis McGuire.

The Eagles took the field with pride and quickly domi-

nated the Rattlers and taking the second win of the day with a score of 28-0.

Next up was the Pee Wee team, ages 10 and 11, coached by Tim Hooks.

It was a tough, defensive game with the Rattlers.

The game went tit-for-tat when the Rattlers broke through to make the only score of the game.

The Pee Wee offense rallied together and drove down the field, but was just unable to get into the end zone, giving the Eagles the first loss of the day by an 8-0 score.

Following the Pee Wee game, the Junior Varsity team, ages 12 and 13, coached by Cliff Howell took the field.

The game got off to a great start with Sammy Smith scoring the first touchdown of the game, taking the lead 7-0.

The JV Eagles defensive dominated the Rattlers while the offense continued to take the ball down the field.

Niyke Echavarria scored two touchdowns for the day; running the ball in for one and scoring on a pass play thrown by Smith.

An awesome two-point conversion catch in the air as

he was going into the end zone was hauled in by Timothy Jordan.

The Eagles shut down the Rattlers allowing them only one score for the day, taking their first win of the season 21-6.

The last game of the day was the Varsity team, ages 13, 14 and 15, coached by John Bishop.

The Eagles took the field with pride, focused and ready for some football.

The Rattlers took an early lead in the game, 8-0, but the Eagles defense stood strong and the offense came out

tough driving down the field. Unfortunately, due to heavy lightning, the referees called the game early in the third quarter.

All in all it was a great day of football.

The Eagles had taken flight as the newest association and team in the PAL association and had some great results during the day.

The HYF Board of Directors want to express their appreciation to the parents, players, cheerleaders and coaches for your participation and contributions.

You have made this new

association and this opening day of football a success.

The Highlands Eagles will be playing in their first official season game this Saturday, Aug. 20, in Lake Wales against the Gators.

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Here's a good story. A friend of mine had a persistent cough that developed every winter when she was a child. She kept telling her parents that she was coughing because it felt like she had hair in her throat. That was back in the days when every other child in America, it seemed, had a tonsillectomy. Predictably, her pediatrician recommended a tonsillectomy.

To make a long story short, my friend had her tonsils removed. And it didn't make a bit of difference. She kept on coughing, year after year, every winter. As an adult, my friend had a light bulb go off inside her head. That cough really was from hair, or rather fur. Her mother used to cover her against the cold with a squirrel coat. She went to sleep every night with her face buried in the folds of that old fur coat—that old shedding fur coat. If her parents had only listened to her about the "hair," she might have been spared the surgeon's scalpel.

I don't suggest use over-the-counter



researchers have shown that most of the time they don't work well on children, plus they can have some serious side effects. For example, in a 2007 study at the Pennsylvania State University College of Medicine groups of children with upper respiratory tract infections received either remedies containing the cough suppressant dextromethorphan or a spoonful of honey or no treatment at all before going to bed.

Researchers had parents report on both coughing and whether the child got a good night's sleep. Guess which remedy won the day? That old-fashioned, tried-and-true remedy — a teaspoon of honey.

Here's what the researchers said: "Parents rated honey most favorably for symptomatic relief of their child's nocturnal cough and sleep difficulty due to upper respiratory tract infection."

You should never give honey to children under the age of 1 or 2, there's even debate on that. It may trigger allergic reactions in very young children and has been associated with various toxins, depending on the type of honey.

However, let me be clear that one should also never give cough suppressant medication to young children either, unless recommended by a pediatrician because they can slow breathing.

Did You Know?

Researchers just found that GABA receptors in the retinal cells stopped functioning properly when vitamin C was deficient, so taking vitamin C may help preserve vision.

cough remedies for your child although cough drops are OK. That may sound like an odd recommendation coming from a pharmacist. But medical

Suzy Cohen is a registered pharmacist and the author. Visit www.DearPharmacist.com for more information. This information is not intended to treat, diagnose or cure your condition.

Addiction a brain disorder, not just bad behavior

By LAURAN NEERGAARD
AP Medical Writer

WASHINGTON — Addiction isn't just about willpower. It's a chronic brain disease, says a new definition aimed at helping families and their doctors better understand the challenges of treating it.

"Addiction is about a lot more than people behaving badly," says Dr. Michael M. Miller of the American Society for Addiction Medicine.

That's true whether it involves drugs and alcohol or gambling and compulsive eating, the doctors group said Monday. And like other chronic conditions such as heart disease or diabetes, treating addiction and preventing relapse is a long-term endeavor, the specialists concluded.

Addiction generally is described by its behavioral symptoms — the highs, the cravings, and the things people will do to achieve one and avoid the other. The new definition doesn't disagree with the standard guide for diagnosis based on those symptoms.

But two decades of neuroscience have uncovered how addiction hijacks different parts of the brain, to explain what prompts those behaviors and why they can be so hard to overcome.

The society's policy statement, published on its website, isn't a new direction as much as part of an

effort to translate those findings to primary care doctors and the general public.

"The behavioral problem is a result of brain dysfunction," agrees Dr. Nora Volkow, director of the National Institute on Drug Abuse.

She welcomed the statement as a way to help her own agency's work to spur more primary care physicians to screen their patients for signs of addiction. NIDA estimates that 23 million Americans need treatment for substance abuse but only about 2 million get that help.

Trying to add compassion to the brain findings, NIDA even has made readings from Eugene O'Neill's "Long Day's Journey into Night" a part of meetings where primary care doctors learn about addiction.

Then there's the frustration of relapses, which doctors and families alike need to know are common for a chronic disease, Volkow says.

"You have family members that say, 'OK, you've been to a detox program, how come you're taking drugs?'" she says. "The pathology in the brain persists for years after you've stopped taking the drug."

Just what does happen in the brain? It's a complex interplay of emotional, cognitive and behavioral networks.

Snapshots

Community outreach schedule

Ace Homecare community outreach events for August:

Today: 9 a.m., Health Fair, Highlands Village, Villa Road, Sebring

Monday: 9 a.m., Coping with Transitions, Resthaven Assisted Living facility, off S.R. 64 on Resthaven Road, Zolfo Springs; 1 p.m., Caregivers Support Group, Crown Pointe Assisted Living Community, Sun 'n Lake Blvd., Sebring.

Tuesday: 9 a.m., Health Fair, Groves, behind Sebring Diner, U.S. 27, Sebring; 10:30 a.m., Health Fair, Lake Placid Meal Site, Interlake Boulevard.

Wednesday: 9 a.m., Health Fair, Avon Park Meal Site, Main Street; 1 p.m., Health Fair, Tanglewood, U.S. 27 Sebring

Aug. 29: 1 p.m., Caregivers Support Group, Crown Pointe.

FDA approves first gene-targeting skin cancer drug

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Food and Drug Administration has approved a first-of-a-kind drug to treat the deadliest form of skin cancer by targeting a particular genetic mutation found in about half of patients.

The pill called Zelboraf, made by Roche, is the first treatment for melanoma that targets a specific gene found in skin-cancer tumors. The FDA said Wednesday it also approved a test to screen patients for the mutation.

Melanoma is the fastest-growing form of cancer in terms of new diagnoses. Researchers attribute the acceleration to longer life expectancies among the elderly and increased indoor tanning by the young.

About 68,000 people in the U.S. were diagnosed last year and 8,700 died, according to the American Cancer Society.

Melanoma has long been considered one of the toughest

est cancers to treat, with few drug options. In March the FDA approved a Bristol-Myers Squibb drug that was the first drug shown to prolong survival in patients with advanced skin cancer.

Zelboraf will provide a second option for melanoma patients with a mutated form of a protein called BRAF that helps with cell growth when working normally. Zelboraf works by blocking the mutated form of the protein, slowing tumor growth.

The FDA approved the drug based on a 675-patient study in which patients received either Zelboraf or a chemotherapy drug. The study is ongoing, but 77 percent of people on Zelboraf are still alive, compared with 64 percent of those taking the older drug, according to the FDA.

Despite the higher survival rate, melanoma adapts quickly, and patients on Zelboraf saw their tumors resume growth after seven months on

the drug, on average. The study hasn't yet established a comparison for survival time between the two drugs.

A six-month course of Zelboraf will cost about \$56,400.

Side effects with the drug included skin rashes, joint pain, fatigue, diarrhea and hair loss. About 26 percent of patients developed a less serious form of skin cancer.

Melanoma patient advocates praised the FDA for clearing the drug well ahead of an Oct. 28 target date to complete its review.

"The FDA's quick action on this drug approval is important because it gives melanoma patients a new way to fight this deadly disease," Timothy Turnham, director of the Melanoma Research Foundation, said.

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RELIGION

Atonement Lutheran Church, ELCA

SEBRING — The 10th Sunday after Pentecost service, with Holy Eucharist will be led by the Rev. Jefferson Cox. Eucharist Assistant/Lector is Ron Fitzpatrick.

The church is accepting donations for the upcoming Trash and Treasure Yard Sale Sept. 15-17. Please call Jim Schwandt at 655-1495 or the church at 385-0797 and leave a message to make arrangements for pick-up of donations.

The Labyrinth Prayer Garden is open to the community as well as congregation seven days per week. All are welcome to do this "walking meditation."

Avon Park Church of Christ

AVON PARK — "The Lord Is Dealing with Me," (Hebrews 12:7), will be the message presented by Minister Larry Roberts on Sunday. The Lord's Supper is served every Sunday.

The Sunday evening service will be a devotional with a fingerfood fellowship to follow.

RELIGION GUIDELINES: The *News-Sun* publishes religion news on Fridays.

The submission deadline is 5 p.m. Monday to be considered for publication in the following Friday's paper.

Submit items to the *News-Sun's* from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays; fax to 385-2453; send e-mail to editor@newssun.com; or mail to Lifestyle Editor, *News-Sun*, 2227 U.S. 27 South, Sebring, FL 33870. For information, call 385-6155, ext. 516.

Avon Park Church of Christ is at 200 S. Forest Ave. For information, call 453-4692.

Christ Lutheran Church - LCMS

AVON PARK — This Sunday, Pastor Scott McLean will be preaching a sermon entitled "Storming the Gates of Hell."

The church is at 1320 C.R. 64, east the Avon Park High School. For more information, call 471-2663 or search the Internet for christlutheranavonpark.org. This is an LCMS congregation.

Christian Training Church

SEBRING — Associate Minister Casey L. Downing will bring the message titled "Facing the Daily Grind" at the Sunday morning service.

The Wednesday night Bible study will continue the book of Hebrews.

Eastside Christian Church

LAKE PLACID — Wednesday evening's our mid-week Bible study and discussion time is an informal setting with open discussion.

Eastside Christian Church is at 101 Peace Avenue in Lake Placid, two miles east of U.S. 27 on C.R. 621. Call 465-7065.

Emmanuel United Church of Christ

SEBRING — The Rev. George Miller will deliver the Sunday morning sermon, "Wounded but not Defeated" with Scripture taken from Psalm 124.

The church is 1.7 miles west of U.S. 27 on County

Road 634 (Hammock Road). Call 471-1999 or visit sebringemmanuelucc.com.

Faith Lutheran Church

SEBRING — Pastor Gary Kindle will be delivering his sermon entitled: "Living Sacrifices" based on Romans 11:33-12:8.

Students, preschool through adult, bring your backpacks or lunch boxes to worship service at 9:30 a.m. The services will lift up children and students of all ages, dedicating them to God's glory as we begin a new school year.

Teachers, aides, principals, administrators, secretaries, cooks, librarians, janitors and bus drivers come to church to be blessed, affirmed in your vocation, and encouraged as you serve children and families in your daily work.

Everyone is encouraged to bring school supplies to church, also.

First Baptist Church of Avon Park

AVON PARK — The Rev. Jon Beck will be speaking at the morning service and the evening service.

Wednesday services include prayer meeting/Bible study as well as children and youth Activities.

Spanish Church, led by the Rev. Jonathan Soltero, meets Sunday and Wednesday

The church is at 100 N. Lake Ave. For more information, call (863) 453-6681 or e-mail info@fbcap.net.

First Baptist Church of Placid Lakes

LAKE PLACID — On Sunday, pastor Darryl George will preach the sermon entitled "The Rules for the Disciples!" with regards to Luke 6:12-17.

The church is at the corner of Washington and Kemper Avenues in Placid Lakes. A nursery is provided for all services. For more information, please call 465-5126 from 8 a.m. to noon,

Monday through Thursday or e-mail the church at placid-lakes@hotmail.com.

First Christian Church of Avon Park

AVON PARK — "Living Comfortably in Christ" is the sermon for this week in Pastor Greg's sermon series "Cooling Off In This Hot, Hot World" from II Corinthians and I Peter.

This Wednesday evening there will be regular Bible studies for all ages.

First Christian Church of Avon Park's motto is at 1016 W. Camphor (behind the Wachovia Bank). Call 453-5334 or e-mail firstchristianap@embarqmail.com. The website is www.firstchristianap.com.

First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

SEBRING — At the Lord's Table will be Walter and Anna Coley.

Communion will be served by Fanny Goff, Sandi Laufer, Chris Baker and Mike Graves.

Greeters will be Cy and

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PLACES TO WORSHIP

Places to Worship is a paid advertisement in the *News-Sun* that is published Friday and Sunday. To find out more information on how to place a listing in this directory, call the *News-Sun* at 385-6155, ext. 502.

APOSTOLIC

■ **Greater Faith Apostolic Church**, 24 Rainer Drive, Lake Placid, FL 33852. invites you to come worship with us in spirit and truth at 10:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. Sunday, 9 a.m.; and 7:30 p.m. Wednesday. For information contact 840-0152. Pastor Larry Carmody.

ASSEMBLY OF GOD

■ **Christ Fellowship Church (Assembly of God)**, 2935 New Life Way. Bearing His Name; Preaching His Doctrine; and Awaiting His Coming. "Worshipping God in Spirit and in Truth." Sunday School, 9 a.m.; Morning Worship, 10 a.m.; Evening Worship, 5 p.m. Wednesday: Worship, 7 p.m. Pastor Eugene Haas. Phone 471-0924.

■ **First Assembly of God**, 4301 Kenilworth Blvd., Sebring. The Rev. Wilmont McCrary, pastor. Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship and KIDS Church, 11 a.m.; Evening Worship, 7 p.m. Wednesday Family Night, (Adult Bible Study), LIFE Youth Group, Royal Rangers, Missionettes, 7:30 p.m. Phone 385-6431.

BAPTIST

■ **Avon Park Lakes Baptist Church**, 2600 N. Highlands Blvd., Avon Park, FL 33825. George Hall, Pastor. Christ centered and biblically based. Sunday worship services, 8:30 a.m., 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. Nursery facilities are available. Bible studies at 9:45 a.m. Sunday and 7 p.m. Wednesday. Prayer Time 6 p.m. on Wednesday. Bible classes at 9:45 a.m. are centered for all ages. Choir practice at 5 p.m. Sunday. Church phone: 452-6556.

■ **Bethany Baptist Church (GARBC)** We are located at the corner of SR17 and C-17A (truck route) in Avon Park. Join us Sunday morning at 9:00 AM for coffee and doughnuts, followed with Sunday School for all ages at 9:30. Sunday morning worship service begins at 10:30 a.m., and evening worship service is at 6 p.m. On Wednesdays, the Word of Life teen ministry and the Catelyst class (20's+) begin at 6:30 PM. The adult Bible and Prayer Time begins at 7 p.m. For more information go to www.bethanybaptistap.com or call the church office at 863-452-1136.

■ **Faith Missionary Baptist Church**, off State Road 17 North of Sebring at 1708 LaGrange Ave. Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Evening Worship, 6 p.m. Wednesday Service, 7 p.m. Deaf interpretation available. Ken Lambert, Pastor. Phone 386-5055.

■ **Fellowship Baptist Church**, 1000 Maxwell St., Avon Park, FL 33825. Sunday: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Morning Worship, 10:45

a.m.; Wednesday: Evening Service, 7 p.m.; Children/Youth, 7 p.m. Telephone: 453-4256. Fax: 453-6986. E-mail: office@apfellowship.org; Web site, www.apfellowship.org.

■ **First Baptist Church of Avon Park**, 100 N. Lake Ave., Avon Park. Rev. Jon Beck, pastor; Scott King youth minister; and Joy Loomis, music director. Regular Sunday schedule: 8:30 a.m. Orchestra rehearsal; 9 a.m. Library open; 9:30 a.m. Sunday School; 11 a.m. Morning Worship; 11 a.m. Children's Church; 4 p.m. Evening Service. Tuesday schedule: 8-10 a.m., basic computer class/Sonshine House; 7-9 p.m. conversational English and citizenship classes/Sonshine House. Regular Wednesday schedule: 5:15 p.m. Family Night Supper; 6 p.m. Bible Study and Prayer; 6 p.m. Adult Choir Practice; 6:30 p.m. children's choir rehearsals; 7 p.m. children's mission groups. Call 453-6681 for details. Primera Mision Bautista, 100 N. Lake Ave., Avon Park, Johnattan Soltero, Pastor. Regular Sunday schedule: 10 a.m., Bible Study; 11 a.m., Worship Service. Wednesday schedule: 7 p.m., Bible study.

■ **First Baptist Church of Lake Josephine**, 111 Lake Josephine Drive, Sebring (just off U.S. 27 midway between Sebring and Lake Placid). Your place for family, friends and faith. Sunday morning worship service is 11 a.m. Nursery is provided for both services with Children's Church at 11 a.m. Life changing Bible Study for all ages starts at 9:45 a.m. Associate Pastor Allen Altwater leads the youth in their quest to become more like Christ. Sunday night worship at 6 p.m. Wednesday Bible Study and Prayer meeting at 7 p.m. along with youth worship in the youth facility, and missions training for all children. Call the church at 655-1524.

■ **First Baptist Church of Lake Placid**, Knowing God's Heart and Sharing God's Hope, 119 E. Royal Palm Street. (2 blocks south of Interlake Blvd) Lake Placid, FL 33852 (863) 465-3721. Email: www.fbclp.com. Pastor Brett Morey, senior pastor. Sunday services - Traditional Service 9 a.m., Contemporary Service 10:30 a.m. Link Groups at 9 and 10:30 a.m., Senior Sunday Night and Sunday Evening Bible study at 6 p.m. Wednesday Activities: Family dinner at 5 p.m. (\$4 per person, reservations required). Adult-LifeSource classes, prayer meeting, Youth Intersections, and Kids K-5-MaxKidz Extreme meet at 6:15 p.m. Men meet at 8 a.m. every Tuesday for prayer breakfast and women's prayer breakfast is at 8 a.m. every Wednesday, both at the Family Restaurant.

■ **First Baptist Church of Lorida** located right on U.S. 98 in Lorida. Sunday School begins at 9:45 a.m. for all ages. Sunday worship services are at 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. Preschool care is provided at the 11 a.m. worship service. Wednesday evening Bible Study and Prayer meeting is at 6:30 p.m., followed by adult choir rehearsal. From September the AWANA groups meet. First Lorida is the "Place to discover God's love." For more information about the church

or the ministries offered, call 655-1878.

■ **First Baptist Church, Sebring**, 200 E. Center Ave., Sebring, FL 33870. Telephone: 385-5154. Dr. David E. Richardson, senior pastor; Rev. Joe Delph, minister of youth and activities. Group Bible Studies, 9:15 a.m.; Blended Service, 10:30 a.m.; Mision Bautista Hispana, 2 p.m.; Sunday Evening Worship, 6 p.m. Wednesday night programs at the ROC begin 5:30 p.m., at church begin 6:30 p.m. Preschool and Mother's Day Out for children age 6 weeks to 5 years old. Becky Gotsch, director. Call 385-4704.

■ **Florida Avenue Baptist Church**, 401 S. Florida Ave., Avon Park. Mailing address is 710 W. Bell St., Avon Park, FL 33825. Telephone, 453-5339. Rev. John D. Girdley, pastor. Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Sunday Worship, 11 a.m.; 11 a.m. Children's Church; Sunday Evening Worship, 6 p.m. Wednesday night programs for children, youth and adults at 7 p.m.

■ **Independent Baptist Church**, 5704 County Road 17 South, Sebring, FL 33876. Sunday School, 9:30 a.m. Sunday worship, 10:30 a.m. Sunday evening, 6 p.m. Wednesday service, 7 p.m. Fundamental, soul-winning, mission-minded, King James Bible Church. Larry Ruse, pastor. Phone 655-1899. Bus transportation.

■ **Leisure Lakes Baptist Church**, 808 Gardenia St., Lake Placid (just off of Miller at the west end of Lake June) "Where the old fashion gospel is preached." Sunday School begins at 9:45 a.m.; Sunday Worship service at 11 a.m.; Sunday Evening Service is at 6 p.m. Wednesday Prayer Meeting and Bible Study at 7 p.m. Call the church at 699-0671 for more information.

■ **Maranatha Baptist Church (GARBC)**, 35 Maranatha Blvd., Sebring, FL 33870 (A half mile east of Highlands Avenue on Ar buckle Creek Road.) Sunday School, 9 a.m.; Morning Worship, 10:15 a.m.; Evening Service, 6 p.m. Mid-week service, Wednesday, 6 p.m. Daily Prayer and Bible Study, 8 a.m., Hamman Hall. Pastor Gerald Webber and Associate Pastors Don Messenger and Ted Ertle. Phone 382-4301.

■ **Parkway Free Will Baptist Church**, 3413 Sebring Parkway, Sebring, FL 33870. Welcome to the church where the "Son" always shines. Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Sunday Evening Worship, 6 p.m.; and Wednesday Evening Worship, 7 p.m. End-of-the-Month-Sing at 6 p.m. on the last Sunday of each month. The Rev. J.S. Scaggs, pastor. Church phone: 382-3552. Home phone: 214-3025. Affiliated with the National Association of Free Will Baptists, Nashville, Tenn.

■ **Sparta Road Baptist Church, (SBC)** 4400 Sparta Road. Rev. Ken Geren, interim pastor. Sunday school, 9:45 a.m.; Sunday Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Sunday Evening Worship, 6 p.m. Wednesday: Prayer/Bible Study, 6 p.m. Nursery provided. For information, call 382-0869.

■ **Southside Baptist Church (GARBC)**, 379 S. Commerce Ave., Sebring. David C. Altman, Pastor;

Aaron Snider, Youth Pastor. Sunday School for all ages, 9:30 a.m.; Morning Worship Service, 10:45 a.m.; Awana kindergarten through fifth grade, 5:30 p.m.; Evening Worship, 6 p.m. Wednesday: Student ministry, 6:30 p.m.; Adult Midweek Prayer and Bible Study, 7 p.m. A nursery for under age 3 is available at all services. Provisions for handicapped and hard-of-hearing. Office phone, 385-0752.

■ **Spring Lake Baptist Church**, "Where the Bible is Always Open." Pastor Richard Schermerhorn. 7408 Valencia Road; 655-2610. On U.S. 98 at the Spring Lake Village II entrance. Sunday School, 9:45 a.m. for all ages; Morning Worship, 10:45 a.m.; Sunday Evening Worship, 6 p.m. Wednesday Midweek Bible Study and Prayer Service, 6:30 p.m. Nursery available for all services.

■ **Sunridge Baptist Church, (SBC)** 3704 Valerie Blvd. (U.S. 27 and Valerie, across from Florida Hospital), Sebring. Tim Finch, pastor. Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Sunday Morning Worship, 10:45 a.m.; and Sunday Evening Service, 6 p.m. Wednesday: Prayer, Bible Study, and Youth, 6:30 p.m. Nursery provided. For information, call 382-3695.

CATHOLIC

■ **Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church**, 595 East Main St., Avon Park, 453-4757. Father Nicholas McLoughlin, pastor. Saturday Vigil Mass is 4 p.m. in English and 7 p.m. in Spanish; Sunday mass 8 and 10:30 a.m. in English. Weekday mass at 8 a.m. Confessions are at 3:30 p.m. Saturday. Religious Education Classes are 9-10:20 a.m. Sunday for grades K through 8th. Confirmation class is from 6:30-8 p.m. Wednesday. Youth Nights grades 6th and up, 6:30-8 p.m. Wednesday.

■ **St. Catherine Catholic Church**, 820 Hickory St., Sebring. Mailing address: 882 Bay St., Sebring, FL 33870, 385-0049. www.stcatholic.com. Very Rev. José González, V.F. Masses - Saturday Vigil, 4 p.m.; Sunday, 8 and 10:30 a.m.; Spanish Mass, noon; Daily Masses 8 a.m. and noon Monday-Friday; 9 a.m. Saturday. Confession: every Saturday 3-3:45 p.m. or first Friday of the month 7:15-7:45 a.m., or by appointment. Enroll your students today for Catholic School grades Pre-K3 through 5th grade.

■ **St. James Catholic Church**, 3380 Placidview Drive, Lake Placid, 465-3215. Father Michael J. Cannon. Mass schedule: Summer (May 1 to Oct. 31) - Saturday Vigil, 4 p.m.; Sunday 8 a.m. and 9:30 a.m.; Weekdays, 9 a.m. December thru Easter - Saturday, 4 p.m.; Sunday, 8 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m.; Weekdays 9 a.m.; and Holy Days 8 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and 7 p.m., first Saturday at 9 a.m.

CHRISTIAN

■ **Eastside Christian Church**, 101 Peace Ave., Lake Placid, FL 33852 (two miles east of U.S. 27

on County Road 621), 465-7065. Ray Culpepper, senior pastor. Sunday: Bible classes, 9 a.m.; Worship Celebration with the Lord's Supper each week 10:15 a.m. Thelma Hall, organist; and Pat Hjort, pianist. Wednesday: Praise and Prayer, 6:30 p.m.; "Building God's Kingdom for Everyone." "Jesus Christ, the Way, Truth and Life!" "Alive and Worth the Drive!"

■ **Sebring Christian Church**, 4514 Hammock Road, Sebring, FL 33872. Tod Schwingel, Preacher; Marco Gallardo, Youth Pastor. Sunday Worship, 9:30 a.m.; Sunday School, 11 a.m.; Sunday Youth Service, 6 p.m.; Evening service at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday night meals, 5:30 p.m. followed by classes at 6:30 p.m. Changing Seasons, a men's grief support group, meets at 1 p.m. Wednesday. Alzheimers Caregivers Support Group meets at 1 p.m. Thursdays. Office hours, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday-Friday. Phone 382-6676.

■ **First Christian Church**, 1016 W. Camphor St., Avon Park, FL 33825; (863) 453-5334; on the Web at www.firstchristianap.com. Our motto is "Jesus is First at First Christian Church." Greg Ratliff, Senior Minister; Ray Culpepper, Family Life Minister; Jon Carter, Music Director. Bible School 9 a.m.; Worship 10 a.m.; Bible Study, 6 p.m.; Wednesday studies for all ages, 6 p.m. Nursery provided for all events.

■ **First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)**, 510 Poinsettia Avenue, (corner of Poinsettia and Eucalyptus), Sebring, FL 33870. Phone: 385-0358 or 385-3435. The Rev. Ronald Norton, Pastor; Sunday School, 9 a.m.; Praise Breakfast, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship, 10:30 a.m.; Children's Church, 10:30 a.m. Thursday, Praise and Worship, 6:45 p.m. Youth Fellowship, 7:15 p.m.; Midweek Bible Study, 7:15 p.m.

CHRISTIAN & MISSIONARY ALLIANCE

■ **The Alliance Church of Sebring**, 4451 Sparta Road, Sebring, FL 33875. Call 382-1343. Rev. Steve Hagen, pastor. Sunday services: Sunday School meets at 9:30 a.m.; Sunday Morning Worship Service meets at 10:30 a.m.; Sunday Evening Bible Study meets at 6 p.m. (off site); Wednesday Prayer Gathering meets at 6 p.m.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

■ **Christian Science Church**, 146 N. Franklin St. Sunday: 10:30 a.m. morning worship and Sunday school. Testimonial meetings at 4 p.m. each second and fourth Wednesday. A free public reading room/bookstore, located in the church, is open before and after church services. The Bible and the Christian Science textbook, 'Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures' by Mary Baker Eddy are our only preachers. All are welcome to come and partake of the

comfort, guidance, support and healing found in the lesson-sermons.

CHURCH OF BRETHREN

■ **Church of the Brethren**, 700 S. Pine St., Sebring, FL 33870. Sunday: Church School, 9 a.m.; Morning Worship, 10:15 a.m. Wednesday: Temple Choir, 7:30 p.m. Phone 385-1597.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

■ **Avon Park Church of Christ**, 200 S. Forest Ave., Avon Park, FL 33825. Minister: Larry Roberts. Sunday Worship Services, 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. Nursery facilities are available at every service. Bible Study: Sunday, 9:30 a.m. and Wednesday, 7 p.m. Bible centered classes for all ages. Church phone: 453-4692.

■ **Sebring Parkway Church of Christ**, 3800 Sebring Parkway, Sebring, FL 33870; 385-7443. We would like to extend an invitation for you and your family to visit with us here at Sebring Parkway. Our hours of service are: Sunday Bible Class, 9 a.m.; Sunday Worship Service, 10 a.m.; Sunday Evening Service, 6 p.m.; Wednesday Service, 7 p.m.

CHURCH OF NAZARENE

■ **First Church of the Nazarene of Avon Park**, P.O. Box 1118., Avon Park, FL 33825-1118. 707 W. Main St. Randall Rupert, Pastor. Sunday: Sunday school begins at 9:45 a.m. for all ages; morning worship at 10:45 a.m.; and evening service at 6 p.m. Wednesday evening service is at 7 p.m. with special services for children and adults. Special services once a month for seniors (Prime Time) and Ladies ministries. If you need any more information, call 453-4851.

■ **First Church of the Nazarene of Lake Placid**, 512 W. Interlake Blvd., Lake Placid, FL 33852. Sunday school, 9:30 a.m.; Morning worship, 10:45 a.m.; Evening service, 6 p.m. Wednesday evening, 7 p.m. Classes for adult children and youth. Call 465-6916. Pastor Tim Taylor.

CHURCHES OF CHRIST IN CHRISTIAN UNION

■ **Community Bible Church - Churches of Christ in Christian Union**, (Orange Blossom Conference Center) 1400 C-17A North (truck route), Avon Park. Presenting Jesus Christ as the answer for time and eternity. Sunday morning worship service, 10:30 a.m. Nursery provided. Junior Church activities at same time for K-6 grade. Sunday School Bible hour (all ages), 9:30 a.m. (Transportation available.) Sunday evening praise and worship service, 6 p.m. Wednesday evening prayer service, 7 p.m. Children and youth activities at 7 p.m.

RELIGION

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Ruby Nicholson. Lynne Warman will be responsible for the Call to Worship.

Children's Church, under the leadership of Noel and Juanita Roberts, will begin meeting again.

Pastor Ron's sermon is titled "Jesus Forgives an Adulterous Woman," taken from John 8:7-8.

Adrienne Diaz will be serving in the nursery the whole month of August. The acolyte for the month of August is Heaven Kunsak.

First Presbyterian Church of Avon Park

AVON PARK — On Sunday morning, Pastor Bob Johnson's sermon is entitled "Forsaking the Lord" based on Joshua 24:1-22.

Special music will be provided by Beth Helms singing "We Shall Behold Him" and "In the Garden."

Sunday school is available for all ages. The adult Sunday school class is watching a video series published by Focus on the Family and narrated by renowned teacher and historian Ray VanderLaan.

These videos visit different places in the Holy Land and make the viewer feel as if they are back in

Bible times. Sunday's video is entitled "Ears to Hear." Wendy Garcia is teaching the youth class and their lessons discuss how the Bible applies to life today.

On Thursday, the Men's Fellowship meets at The Depot for breakfast and returns to the church for a short Bible study and a work project at a member's home.

The church is at 215 E. Circle Street (with two entrances on Lagrande Street). For more information, call the church office at 453-3242.

First Presbyterian Church of Sebring

SEBRING — "Faith: Turning Heart Affections to Jesus," is the title of Sunday morning's sermon given by the Rev. Darrell A. Peer.

Deacons meeting is Monday in the conference room. Tuesday, the Grief Support Group, meets in the adult classroom. Wednesday's adult Bible study meets in the adult classroom.

Grace Pointe Ministries

SEBRING — Home Bible study on Tuesday will be "A New Song" from Revelations 14. Special times

for kids on Tuesday night including Bible study, arts and crafts, games, snacks and other activities.

Pastor Zimmer continues river renewal sermon series on the Psalms continues every Sunday through August.

Ustream available (live or 24/7) of all services in Sebring. Log on to ustream.tv, and enter gracepointtv in the search box. Choose your session.

Heartland Christian Church

SEBRING — Pastor Ted Moore's sermon this Sunday will be "Make a Difference" with Scripture from Matthew 5:13-16. Communion is offered during the service weekly.

The service will also include George Kelly singing "My Savior's Love;" and Flossi Moore singing "Wherever you go."

Bible study resumes Sept. 6 and 7.

Tuesday's adult Bible study will be taught by Pastor Ted Moore

Wednesday night's young adult and children's programs taught by George Kelly, Jon and Amanda Armentrout and Toby Cribbs. It features a free meal by Barbara

Kelly and Dorothy Newton.

The church is at 2705 Alternate Route 17 South in Sebring (behind Publix). Call 314-9693.

Memorial United Methodist Church

LAKE PLACID — A series on how God helps you deal with stress continues this week. The topic is God's Antidote to Your Hurt. Senior Pastor Fred Ball will preach in the Sanctuary for the Heritage (traditional) Worship Service and the Celebration (blended) Worship. Pastoral Assistant Claude Burnett will lead the Contemporary New Song Worship Service in Rob Reynolds Fellowship Hall.

It's Back to School Messy Night for the Youth group (students sixth through 12th grade), so they need to dress appropriately and meet in the Lighthouse at 5 p.m.

The church is behind the tower at 500 Kent Ave. in Lake Placid. Call 465-2422 for more information.

Parkway Free Will Baptist Church

SEBRING — The Sunday morning Bible lesson, "Empowering the

Needy" is taken from Ruth 2 (King James Version). Pastor Jim Scaggs will bring the message in the Sunday morning and evening services. The Wednesday evening service will be praise, prayer and Bible study.

St. John United Methodist Church

SEBRING — On Sunday, the sermon topic will be "Non-conformed for the Lord" taken from Romans 12:1-8. Nursery is provided at all three services.

Sebring Church of the Brethren SEBRING — On Sunday morning, Pastor Keith Simmons will have a sermon titled "Pure Love." The Scripture reading will be from Romans 12:9-21.

Sunday school will meet in the Fidelis Room. They will be studying "God Calls For Obedience," taken from the Scripture Deuteronomy 6.

Southside Baptist Church

SEBRING — "Judges - When the World is Dark" is the title of the message the Rev. David Altman

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PLACES TO WORSHIP

EPISCOPAL

■ **The Episcopal Church of the Redeemer.** Service time is 9:30 with Holy Communion. Coffee hour following services. Newcomers welcome. Call 453-5664 or e-mail redemer1895@aol.com Web site: redemeravon.com. The church is at 839 Howe's Way, Avon Park (two miles north of Sun 'N Lake Boulevard, across from Wells Dodge.)

■ **St. Agnes Episcopal Church,** 3840 Lakeview Drive, Sebring, FL 33870. Sunday Services: Holy Eucharist Rite I - 7:45 a.m., Holy Eucharist Rite II - 10 a.m. Midweek service on Wednesday at 6 p.m. Sunday School for all ages at 9 a.m. The nursery is open 8:45 a.m. until 15 minutes after the 10 a.m. service ends. Wednesday: Adult Bible study, 9:30 a.m. Visitors are always welcome. The Rev. Jim Kurtz, rector. Church office 385-7649, for more information.

■ **St. Francis of Assisi Episcopal Church,** 43 Lake June Road, Lake Placid, FL 33852. Phone: 465-0051. Rev. Elizabeth L. Nelson, Rector. Sunday Worship, 8 a.m., 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. Wednesday evening: Holy Communion with Healing Service, 6:15 p.m. Child care available at the 8 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Sunday service. Come see what makes us different.

GRACE BRETHREN

■ **Grace Brethren Church,** 3626 Thunderbird Road, (863) 835-0869. Dr. Randall Smith, senior pastor. Sunday services at 9 a.m., 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday services at 7 p.m. We offer "Kid City" Children's Ministry throughout all services, and there are various other classes for teens, married couples, "prime-timers," and Bible studies in Spanish. "Kid City" Day Care, Preschool and After-School Monday-Friday: 7 a.m.-6 p.m. (For registration call: 385-3111). Check us out on the Web at www.sebring-grace.org.

INTERDENOMINATIONAL

■ **World Harvest and Restoration Ministries,** (non-denominational) 2200 N. Avon Blvd., Avon Park, FL 33825. Phone: 452-9777 or 453-3771. Sunday service: Sunday School, 10 a.m. and worship, 11 a.m. Wednesday services: 7 p.m. prayer meeting/Bible study. Pastor: W.H. Rogers.

LUTHERAN

■ **Atonement Lutheran Church (ELCA),** 1178 S.E. Lakeview Drive., Sebring. David Thoresen, Deacon, Spiritual Leader, on first, third and fifth Sunday each month, and Rev. Jefferson Cox on the second and fourth Sunday of each month. Jim Helwig, organist/choir director. Worship service at 9:30 a.m.; Holy Eucharist is every Sunday. Coffee hour on the first and third Sunday of each month. Council meeting on the first Monday of month; Ladies Group WELCA meets at noon second Monday of month with lunch. Bring a dish to pass. Church Vegetable Garden Club meets as needed. Labyrinth Prayer Garden open seven days a week to congregation and community. Like to sing? Come join the choir. Visitors always

welcome. Come grow with us. Phone 385-0797.

■ **Christ Lutheran Church Avon Park – LCMS,** 1320 County Road 64, 1/2 mile east of Avon Park High School. Sunday Divine Worship is at 10 a.m. Holy Communion is celebrated every week with traditional Lutheran Liturgy, hymns and songs of praise. Fellowship time with coffee and refreshments follows worship. Come worship and fellowship with us. For information call Pastor Scott McLean at 471-2663 or see christlutheranavonpark.org.

■ **Faith Lutheran Church – LCMS,** 2740 Lakeview Drive, Sebring. Church phone: 385-7848, Faith Closet, 385-2782. Gary Kindle, Pastor. Faith Child Development Center, 382-3232. Kathy Pontious, director. Preschool/VPK/Extended Day Care. Summer Worship services: 9:30 a.m. Sunday; Bible class is 8:30 a.m. Sunday. Communion is served the first and third and fifth Sunday of the month. Worship service is broadcast live on WITS 1340 AM.

■ **Good Shepherd Lutheran Church (AALC) American Association of Lutheran Churches,** 4348 Schumacher Road, Sebring, one mile west of Wal-Mart. James Weed, pastor. Worship Service, 9 a.m. Sunday. Bible Study, 11 a.m. Nursery provided. Social activities: Choir, Missions, Evangelism. Phone 385-1163.

■ **New Life Evangelical Lutheran Church,** 3725 Hammock Road, a Congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod (ELS) in fellowship with the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS). Sunday Worship at 10 a.m.; Bible Study, 9 a.m. For more information, call Pastor Brian Klebig at 385-2293 or visit the Web site at www.newlife-sebring.com.

■ **Resurrection Lutheran Church – ELCA,** 324 E. Main St., Avon Park. Pastor: Rev. John C. Grodzinski. Sunday service at 9:30 a.m. Sunday school will resume in the fall. Coffee and fellowship hour follow the service. Midweek Fragrance Free Wednesday worship, (year round) 7 p.m. Office phone number is 453-6858.

■ **Trinity Lutheran Church - LCMS,** 25 Lakeview St., Lake Placid, FL 33852; 465-5253. The Rev. Richard A. Norris, pastor; Susan C. Norris, Trinity Tots Preschool director; and Noel Johnson, minister of youth and family life. Worship schedule after Easter through December: Worship service 10 a.m., and Education Hour, 8:45 a.m. Worship schedule for January through Easter: Worship service, 8:30 and 11 a.m., Education Hour 9:45 a.m. Traditional Service with Holy Communion each first and third Sunday. Non-Traditional Service each second, fourth and fifth Sunday. Seasonal mid-week services Wednesday evenings during Lent and Advent. Call church office for additional Worship times and special holiday services. Other activities and groups include: Choirs; Ladies Guild and LWML; Men's Fellowship Group, Small Group Bible Studies as scheduled; Trinity Tots Pre-school, Youth Group activities (call for meeting times and dates). Visit us online at: www.Trinitylutheranlp.com.

NON-DENOMINATIONAL

■ **Bible Fellowship Church,** 3750

Hammock Road, Sebring, FL 33872. Sunday: American Sign Language: First Worship sermon, songs signed first and second Worship services. First Worship service, 9 a.m.; Second Worship service, 10:45 a.m. Nursery (up to 2 years old) and Sunday school classes both hours. BFC Youth, 6 p.m.; Evening Service, 6:30 p.m. Wednesday: Youth, 6-7:30 p.m.; Prayer time, 6:15 p.m. Todd Patterson, pastor; Andy McQuaid, associate pastor. Web site www.bfcsebring.com. Church office 385-1024.

■ **Calvary Church,** 1825 Hammock Road, Sebring, FL 33872; 386-4900. An independent community church. Sunday morning worship, 10 a.m.; Bible study, 11:15 a.m. Pastor Lester Osbeck. A small friendly church waiting for your visit.

■ **Christian Training Ministries Inc.,** on Sebring Parkway. Enter off County Road 17 on Simpson Avenue. Sunday service is at 10 a.m.; Wednesday Bible study at 7 p.m. A nursery and children's church are provided. The church is part of Christian International Ministries Network, a full gospel, non-denominational ministry. Linda M. Downing, minister: Phone, 314-0482, lindadowning@live.com. Casey L. Downing, associate minister: Phone, 385-8171, caseydowning@hotmail.com. Web site is www.ctmforme.com

■ **Grace Bible Church,** 4541 Thunderbird Road, (second church on left) Sebring, FL 33872. Phone, 382-1085. Andrew Katsanis, senior pastor. Saturday Worship, 6:30 p.m. Sunday, 9 and 11 a.m. Tuesday 6 p.m. Grace Bible Academy Adult Investigating Truth; first and third Tuesday, Prayer Gathering, 7:15 p.m.; Wednesday, Children's & Youth Programs, 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 8:30 p.m., College Ministry. www.GBCconnected.org

■ **Highlands Community Church,** a casual contemporary church, meets at 3005 New Life Way. Coffee at 9:30 a.m.; Worship at 10 a.m. Nursery and Kid's World classes. Small groups meet throughout the week. Church phone is 402-1684; Pastor Bruce A. Linhart.

■ **The Lord's Sentinel Fellowship Church,** 148 E. Interlake Blvd., Lake Placid (at Lake Placid Christian School), Pastor Juanita Folsom. Sunday morning service, 10:30 a.m.; Monday, Sentinel School of Theology, 7 p.m.; Church service, Tuesday, 7 p.m. More information at www.juanitafolsomministries.com.

■ **Union Congregational Church,** 106 N. Butler Ave., Avon Park, FL 33825. Sunday worship services are at 8:45 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. in the Millennium Church. Sunday school for all ages is at 9:15 a.m. We also offer a Saturday service at 6 p.m. with Pastor Tiger Gullett in the Millennium Church. Nursery/child care is available for all services. Senior Pastor is Bill Breylinger. Office: 453-3345. Web page at www.weareunion.org. All teachings are taken from the Manufacturer's Handbook - The Holy Bible. Come join us.

■ **Unity Life Enrichment Centre,** new location, 10417 Orange Blossom Blvd. S., Sebring, FL 33875; 471-1122; e-mail unity@vistanet.net. Web site, www.unityofsebring.org. 10:30 a.m. Sunday Celebration Service, Nursery and Children's Church. Weekly Classes, Christian

Bookstore and Cafe, Prayer Ministry, Life Enrichment Groups. Rev. Andrew C. Conyer, senior minister transforming lives from ordinary to extraordinary.

■ **The Way Church,** 1005 N. Ridgewood Drive, Sebring. Sunday school and worship service at 9 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Youth activities, 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays. The Way is a church family who gathers for contemporary worship, teaching of God's Word, prayer and fellowship. Come early and stay after for fellowship time. Child care and children's church are provided. Reinhold Buxbaum is pastor. The Way - A place for you. Office Phone:471-6140, Church Cell Phone:381-6190. Email: thewaychurch@hotmail.com. Web site: www.TheWayChurch.org

PRESBYTERIAN

■ **Covenant Presbyterian Church (PCA),** 4500 Sun 'N Lake Blvd., Sebring, 33872-2113. A Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America. Worship services: Sunday morning worship, 10 a.m.; Sunday School, 9 a.m.; Sunday evening, 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday evening Prayer Meeting, 6 p.m.; Youth Group and Kids Quest, 5:30-7 p.m.; choir practice, 7:15 p.m. Phone: 385-3234; Fax: 385-2759; e-mail: covpres@strato.net; Web site: www.cpcsebring.org. Rev. W. Darrell Arnold, pastor. Office hours: 8:30-11:30 a.m. Monday through Thursday.

■ **First Presbyterian Church ARP,** 215 E. Circle St., (two entrances on LaGrande), Avon Park, FL 33825. Phone: 453-3242. The Rev. Robert Johnson is the pastor. Sunday School, 9:15 a.m.; Sunday Worship, 10:45 a.m.; Wednesday Bible study, 10:30 a.m.; Potluck dinner, 6 p.m. third Wednesday; choir practice, 6:30 p.m. each Wednesday; Mary Circle business meeting, 1 p.m. second Wednesday; Sarah Circle business meeting, 4 p.m. second Thursday; Women's Ministries Combined Bible study, 4 p.m. third Thursday. Be a part of a warm, caring church family with traditional services, following biblical truth.

■ **First Presbyterian Church, ARP,** 319 Poinsettia Ave., Sebring, FL 33870. 385-0107. Sunday School, all ages, 9:30 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Monday-Friday, Summer Day Camp (youth ages 11-14) 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. excluding holidays; Tuesday: Grief Support Group, 3 p.m., adult classroom; Wednesday: Adult Bible Study, 10:30 a.m., adult classroom. Nursery available during worship. Call the church office for more information and other classes. Rev. Darrell A. Peer, pastor.

■ **First Presbyterian Church, ARP,** www.fpclp.com, 118 N. Oak Ave., Lake Placid, 465-2742. The Rev. Ray Cameron, senior pastor; the Rev. Drew Severance, associate pastor. Sunday morning traditional worship is at 9-10 a.m. in the sanctuary; contemporary worship is from 11 a.m. to noon. Sunday school classes for adults and children will be 10:10-10:50 a.m. in the educational building. Call the church office for more information about the classes offered. Nursery is provided for babies and toddlers; while young children up to second grade have a special Children's Church offered during the worship service to help them grow in their spiritual knowledge.

■ **Spring Lake Presbyterian Church (USA),** 5887 U.S. 98, Sebring, FL 33876. Sunday School, 9 a.m.; Worship Service, 10 a.m. Session meets at 6:30 p.m. the second Thursday of the month, September through June. Board of Deacons meet at 5:30 p.m. first Monday of the month. Choir rehearses at 7 p.m. each Wednesday, September through April. Presbyterian Women meet at 10 a.m. the third Thursday of the month. Organist: Richard Wedig. Choir Director: Suzan Wedig. Church phone, 655-0713; e-mail, springlakepc@embarqmail.com, Web site, <http://slpc.embarqspace.com>.

SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST

■ **Avon Park Seventh-day Adventist Church,** 1410 West Avon Blvd., Avon Park. Phone: 453-6641 or e-mail: avonparksa@embarqmail.com, Sabbath School, 9:30 a.m. Saturday. Church Service 10:45 a.m. Saturday. Wednesday prayer meeting 7 p.m. Community Service hours on Tuesday and Thursday is from 9:00 a.m. till 2 p.m. A sale takes place the first Sunday of each month. Senior Pastor Paul Boiling; and Associate Pastor Kameron DeVasher. Walker Memorial Academy Christian School offering education for kindergarten through 12th grades. ALL ARE WELCOME. Website is www.discoverjesus.org

■ **Sebring Seventh-Day Adventist Church,** 2106 N. State Road 17, Sebring; 385-2438. Worship Services: 9:15 a.m. Worship hour, 11 a.m. Prayer meeting, Tuesday, 7:15 p.m. Community service: every Monday 9-11 a.m. Health Seminar with Dr. Seralde, every Friday, 10:00 a.m. Pastor Amado Luzbet.

THE CHURCH OF LATTER DAY SAINTS

■ **The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints,** 3235 Grand Prix Dr., Sebring, FL 33872; (863) 382-9092 Steve Austin, Bishop; Mark Swift, 1st Counselor; Del Murphy, 2nd Counselor. Family History Center (863) 382-1822. Sunday Services: Sacrament Meeting, 10:11-10 a.m.; Gospel Doctrine, 11:20 a.m. to noon; Priesthood/Relief Society, 12:10-1p.m.; Primary for children, 11:15 a.m. to 1 p.m.; Youth Activities: Wednesdays, 7-8:20 p.m. Scouts: first and third Wednesday, 7-8:20 p.m. Activity Days: 8-11 yr old Boys and Girls, second and fourth Wednesdays, 7-8:20 p.m.

THE SALVATION ARMY

■ **The Salvation Army – Center for Worship.** Sunday: Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Holiness meeting, 11 a.m.; and Praise meeting and lunch, noon. Tuesday: Bible study, 6:30 p.m.; and Women's Ministries, 7 p.m. Wednesday: Youth Ministries, 4 p.m. All meetings are at 120 N. Ridgewood Ave., Sebring. For more information, visit the Web site www.salvationarmy-sebring.com or call Major Bruce Stefanik at 385-7548, ext. 110.

UNITED METHODIST

■ **First United Methodist Church,** 105 S. Pine St., Sebring, FL 33870. The Rev. A.C. Bryant, pastor. Traditional Worship Service at 8:10 and 10:50 a.m. in the sanctuary, Contemporary Worship in the FLC at 9:30 a.m. Sunday School at 9:30 and 10:30 a.m. Methodist Youth Fellowship at 5:30 p.m. Sundays with Rick Heilig, youth director. The 10:55 a.m. Sunday worship service is broadcast over WITS 1340 on AM dial. There is a nursery available at all services.

■ **First United Methodist Church,** 200 South Lake Avenue, Avon Park, FL 33825. (863) 453-3759. R. James Weiss, Pastor, Sunday School - 9 a.m., Worship - 10:30 a.m. Bible study third Tuesday of every month at 6 p.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry on the second and fourth Friday of the month at 2 p.m. for women who love God and crocheting. Visit us at our church Web site: www.fumcap.org.

■ **Memorial United Methodist Church,** 500 Kent Ave., (overlooking Lake Clay) Lake Placid, FL, 33852. The Rev. Fred Ball, pastor. Claude H.L. Burnett, pastoral assistant. Sunday schedule: Heritage Worship Service, 8:30 a.m.; Sunday School for all ages, 9:30 a.m.; Celebration Worship Service at 10:45 a.m.; New Song worship service at 10:45 a.m. Loving nursery care provided every Sunday morning. Youth Fellowship, 5 p.m. Bible Fellowship Class, 6 p.m. (October-May only). We offer Christ-centered Sunday school classes, youth programs, Bible studies, book studies and Christian fellowship. We are a congregation that want to know Christ and make Him known. Call the church office at 465-2422 or check out our church Web site at www.memorialumc.com.

■ **St. John United Methodist Church,** 3214 Grand Prix Drive, Sebring, FL 33872. The Rev. Ronald De Genaro Jr., Pastor. Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Sunday Morning Worship, 8 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. Nursery provided for all services. Phone 382-1736. www.stjohnsebring.org

■ **Spring Lake United Methodist Church,** 8170 Cozumel Lane, (Hwy 98) Sebring. The Rev. Clyde Weaver Jr., Pastor. Worship service starts at 9:55 a.m. Bible Study meets at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday. Choir Practice at 4:00 p.m. on Thursday. Church office phone: 655-0040.

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

■ **Emmanuel United Church of Christ,** where God is still speaking. 3115 Hope Street, Sebring, FL 33875 (1.8 miles west of U.S. 27 and Hammock Road). Sunday worship, 9:30 a.m.; Communion with worship first Sunday of month; Chapel Communion, 8:45 a.m. all other Sundays. All are welcome to receive the sacrament. For more information, call the church office at 471-1999 or e-mail eucc@earthlink.net or check the Web site sebringemmanuelucc.com. No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you're welcome here.

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.

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.

■ **Buttonwood Bay Squares** meets first and third Friday in recreation hall, Sebring. Early rounds are from 7-7:30 p.m., alternate mainstream/plus/rounds are from 7:30-9:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend. For details, call Larry Gow at 382-6995.

■ **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 samdunn@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.

■ **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. For reservations, call 385-8647 or 471-3557. Smoke-free environment. 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.

■ **Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 3880**, 1224 County Road 621 E., Lake Placid. Texas Hold 'em lessons, 2 p.m. For more details, call 699-5444.

■ **Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 4300** serves pizza from 5:30-7 p.m. and music is from 6-9 p.m. at the post, 2011 SE Lakeview Drive, Sebring. For details, call 385-8902.

■ **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.

SATURDAY

■ **American Association of University Women** meets at 10 a.m. third Saturday at various locations. For details, call 465-2581 or 452-2493.

■ **American Legion Post 25** serves sirloin burgers from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the post, 1490 U.S. 27, Lake Placid. Jam session is from 2-4 p.m. The lounge hours are 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Members and guests invited. For details, call 465-7940.

■ **American Legion Post 69** in Avon Park serves dinner at 5 p.m. and music is from 6-9 p.m.

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

■ **Avon Park Lakes Association** has a pancake breakfast on the third Saturday of every month. \$4 for adults, \$2 for children under 12. The clubhouse is at 2714 Nautilus Drive in Avon Park.

■ **Avon Park Public Library** has a free Adult Film Series at noon. For details, call 452-3803.

■ **Heartland Avian Society** meets at 1 p.m. third Saturday at various homes or a restaurant. Pet bird owners meet to share food and fellowship and take occasional

field trips. Looking for other bird owners to join us. For details, call Sharol at 465-7350.

■ **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 Shrine Club**, 2606 State Road 17 South, Avon Park (between Avon Park and Sebring) has a flea market from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., country store open from 8 a.m. to noon and pancake breakfast served from 7:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Vendors are welcome. No setup fee is charged for the summer months. Plenty of off road parking. For details, call 382-2208.

■ **Historical Society of Greater Lake Placid** meets at noon quarterly on the third Saturday of March, June, September, and December at the Masonic Hall, 106 N. Main for a potluck luncheon.

■ **Hot Rod Nights Cruise In**, meets from 5-8 p.m. every third Saturday at the Home Depot parking lot in Sebring. For details, call 441-3051 or 441-3086.

■ **Lake Placid Art League** has a class in Pastels/Acrylics taught by Llewellyn Rinald from 9 a.m. to noon at the Cultural Center, 127 Dal Hall Blvd. For information call Dan Daszek at 465-7730.

■ **Lake Placid Elks Lodge 2661** opens the lounge at 1 p.m. Card games are played at 1 p.m., and Bar Bingo is at 1:30 p.m. The lodge is open to members and their guests. For details, call 465-2661.

■ **Narcotics Anonymous New Day Group** meets at 7 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.

■ **Overeaters Anonymous** meets at 10:30 a.m. at First Presbyterian Church, Oak Street, Lake Placid. For more details, call 382-1821.

■ **Sebring Eagles Club 4240** serves dinner from 5-7 p.m. at the club, 12921 U.S. 98, Sebring. Music is from 7-10 p.m. For details, call 655-4007.

■ **Sebring Moose Club 2259** offers line dancing lessons at 2 p.m. the first and third Saturday for members and guests at 11675 U.S. 98, Sebring. For details, call 655-3920.

■ **Twelve Step Study Group for Adult Children of Alcoholics** meets at 11 a.m. first and third Saturday, at first building south of Union Congregational Church, 105 N. Forest Ave., Avon Park. Parking available south of old church.

■ **Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 3880**, 1224 County Road 621 E., Lake Placid. Spaghetti dinner and karaoke at 5:30 p.m. on the third Saturday of each month. For more details, call 699-5444.

■ **Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 4300** serves a meal for \$6 from 5:30-7 p.m. and music is from 6-9 p.m. at the post, 2011 SE Lakeview Drive, Sebring. For details, call 385-8902.

RELIGION

Tenn. sheriff revises rules to allow religious headgear in courthouses, jail

Associated Press
NASHVILLE, Tenn. — The Davidson County Sheriff's Office is changing its policies regarding religious head coverings at the courthouses or in jail.

Hedy Weinberg, the executive director of the American Civil Liberties Union of Tennessee, said in Tuesday that the sheriff's office rewrote its policies after the ACLU contended current practices violate the First Amendment and federal and state law.

Weinberg said a Muslim woman was required to remove her headscarf for a booking photo and a Muslim man was ordered to remove his head covering before entering a courthouse.

Karla Weikal, a sheriff's spokeswoman, said two booking photos can be taken, one including head coverings and one with only veils

removed. The second change allows people visiting the courthouse to wear religious head coverings after a security screening.

Indiana school voucher program still in place

INDIANAPOLIS — A judge declined to halt Indiana's broad new school voucher program, allowing the law to remain in effect while a group of teachers and religious leaders challenge it.

Marion Superior Court Judge Michael Keele sided Monday with the state in denying a temporary injunction.

Attorneys for the state argued that granting the injunction could have forced students who received vouchers to leave their private schools just as the academic year was beginning and to

scramble to re-enroll in public schools.

Keele ruled only on the plaintiffs' request for a preliminary injunction. Their complaint challenging the law hasn't gone to trial yet.

The law allows even middle-class parents to use taxpayer money to send their children to private secular and religious schools.

The measure passed this year by the Republican-dominated General Assembly and signed into law by Gov. Mitch Daniels is the nation's broadest private school voucher program. A group of teachers and religious leaders backed by the Indiana State Teachers Association is challenging it. An attorney for the plaintiffs, John West, argued the new law violates the state constitution because it provides public money to schools whose main purpose is to promote religion.

Snapshots

St. James hosts Catholic inquiry event

LAKE PLACID — Is there something about the Catholic faith that interests you? Perhaps a member of your family or even a good friend has become a Catholic. If you would like to find out for yourself what Catholics believe, now is the time to plan on coming to St. James RCIA Open House. The RCIA Team will welcome you and make ourselves available to you. You may be interested in our Catholic Inquiry Process, which will be explained at the Open House.

If you have recently become a member of THE Catholic family, you are also cordially invited to attend as well for an additional opportunity for new Catholics to continue to learn more about their new found faith.

The Open House will be held on Wednesday, Sept. 14 at 7 p.m., in the parish social hall. Parish members will be present to assist you.

Fr. Michael Cannon, pastor of St. James, will be the main speaker. Refreshments

will be served. If you would like more information, call Alice at 699-0466 or the parish office at 465-3215.

Movie night at First Assembly of God

LAKE PLACID — Movie night at First Assembly of God, 327 Plumosa St., Lake Placid (465-2363) will be at 6 p.m. on Sunday in the gymnasium.

The movie will be "Flywheel." As Jay works on restoring a classic convertible, he begins to see that God is working on restoring him as well. Coming face-to-face with the reality of how he truly conducts himself, Jay Austin begins the ride of his life as he learns to honor God with his business, his relationship and his life. Free popcorn and beverage.

Marriott in concert at Spring Lake Presbyterian

SEBRING — On Wednesday, James Marriott will perform in concert at Spring Lake Presbyterian Church at 7 p.m..

Marriott serves as the

director of worship at Trinity Lutheran Church in Lisle, Ill. and is also pursuing his Ph.D. in Liturgical Studies from Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary in Evanston. A frequent recitalist throughout the country, James delights audiences with his inviting demeanor and virtuosic technique. The 65-minute program will include fun and engaging organ literature as well as four congregation hymns, so come ready to sing.

Admission is free. There will be a potluck supper at 5:30 p.m.

Giveaway at Parkway Church of Christ clothing room

SEBRING — Sebring Parkway Church of Christ, located at 3800 Sebring Parkway, will be holding an all-day giveaway at the clothing room on Thursday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Anyone may come, even if you have already been there during the month of August.

Each person must have a picture identification to be admitted. Call 385-7423.

Church News

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will bring in the Sunday morning worship service. Children's church and a nursery are available. The Sunday evening service will focus on prayer for all nations.

The church is at 379 S. Commerce Ave. For information, call 385-0752.

Spring Lake Presbyterian Church

SEBRING — The sermon for Sunday morning will be "Micah and the Main Message" taken from Micah 6:6-8, given by the Rev. Don Davis.

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Admission is free. There will be a potluck supper at 5:30 p.m., before the concert, so bring a dish to share.

Spring Lake United Methodist Church

SEBRING — Spring Lake United Methodist Church is at 8170 Cozumel Lane.

Sunday morning, the Rev. Clyde Weaver's sermon will be "Stephen Was A Forgiving Martyr." Potluck follows the service.

The Way Church

SEBRING — Pastor Reinhold Buxbaum will continue sharing his experiences and thoughts from his recent trip to Israel.

The Way Church is at 1005 N. Ridgewood Drive. The church phone is 471-6140 AND the pastor's cell is 214-6190. For church information and the pastor's messages go to www.thewaychurch.org.

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DIVERSIONS

Perry ties Jackson record on Billboard

Associated Press
NEW YORK — When Katy Perry first came on the scene, some dismissed her as a one-hit wonder. Three years later, she's proven she's a multi-hit wonder, becoming the first woman to score five No. 1 songs from one album on the Billboard Hot 100 chart.

Her "Last Friday Night (T.G.I.F.)" set the precedent: It's the latest No. 1 from her platinum album "Teenage Dream." Only Michael Jackson had five No. 1s from one album before Perry, from "Bad."

But Jackson spent a total of seven weeks at the top with his "Bad" songs; Perry has been at the top perch now for a cumulative 18 weeks. Perry's first major hit was the song "I Kissed a Girl" in 2008.

Abercrombie asks 'The Situation' to shop elsewhere

NEW YORK (AP) — The Situation doesn't usually require a lot of motivation to lose the shirt. But Abercrombie & Fitch wants him to go one further — the company has offered to pay "Jersey Shore" cast members to stop wearing clothes carrying their brand.

Abercrombie & Fitch Co. said in a news release posted Tuesday that it's concerned that having Mike "The Situation" Sorrentino seen in its clothing could cause "significant damage" to the company's image.

Abercrombie says a connection to The Situation goes against the "aspirational nature" of its brand and may be "distressing" to customers. The Ohio-based retailer says it has offered a "substantial payment" to Sorrentino and producers of the MTV show so he'll wear something else.

The company says it also is making the offer to others in the hard-partying cast.

"It's a clever PR stunt and we'd love to work with them on other ways they can leverage Jersey Shore to reach the largest youth audience on television," MTV said.

It's official: Lopez returning to 'Idol'

NEW YORK (AP) — If there was ever any doubt, it's gone now. Jennifer Lopez will be back at the judge's panel for the 11th season of "American Idol."

The Fox network has made Lopez's return official, along with her fellow judges, Aerosmith rocker Steven Tyler and record producer Randy Jackson. In addition, Fox said Wednesday that Ryan Seacrest will be back as host. Lopez debuted as a judge this past season. But in recent weeks, she had publicly been coy about whether she would stay with the hit musical competition.

Any lingering skepticism was dispelled last week by "Idol" executive producer Nigel Lythgoe. He declared, unofficially, that Lopez would be back while interviewed on Seacrest's radio program. "American Idol" begins its new season Jan. 22.



Jason Momoa stars as Conan in 'Conan the Barbarian.'

Lionsgate Films

New 'Conan' is a barbaric bore

By **CHRISTY LEMIRE**

AP Movie Critic

No one ever turns into a giant snake in the new "Conan the Barbarian."

That, in a nutshell, is what's wrong with this remake: The knowing sense of big, ridiculous fun that marked the 1982 original is gone, and in its place we get a self-serious series of generic sword battles and expository conversations.

Fight, talk, fight, talk, fight, talk, then an enormous throwdown followed by a denouement that dangles the possibility of a sequel (dear God, no) — that's the basic structure here. And yet, despite seeming so simplistic, director Marcus Nispel's film is mind-numbingly convoluted. The fact that it's been converted to a murky, smudgy, barely-used 3-D doesn't help matters. At one point, I scrawled in my notes: "Incomprehensible underwater serpent attack." There you have it.

The script is credited to three writers, based on Robert E. Howard's Conan character, but everyone involved would probably prefer that you not think of this as a remake.

Remakes have become Nispel's bread and butter in recent years. The longtime music-video director also made the 2003 version of "The Texas Chainsaw Massacre" and the 2009 version of "Friday the 13th." But while the original "Conan" — the movie that signaled the arrival of Arnold Schwarzenegger as a bona fide movie star — looks extremely dated nearly 30 years later, it still functions just fine as both an epic adventure tale and an admitted guilty pleasure.

There's very little that's pleasurable in this new "Conan," aside from allowing us to ogle the muscular, 6-foot-5 physique of up-and-coming action star Jason Momoa. If you're into that kind of thing, that is — he is a spectacle to behold, albeit in a romance-novel cover-model kind of way.

"I live. I love. I slay ... I am content," Conan says to the innocent Tamara (Rachel Nichols), whom he's been tasked with protecting. Not quite as poetic as one of Schwarzenegger's most famous lines: "To crush your enemies, see them driven before you, and to hear the lamentation of their women," but at least we know he's confident enough



Movie Review

'Conan the Barbarian'

Rating: R (strong bloody violence, some sexuality and nudity)

Running time: 102 minutes

Review: ★ (of 4)

to avoid suffering an existential crisis. Good for him. He also doesn't evolve, though, which doesn't make him terribly compelling. It didn't seem possible for there to be even less characterization than there was in the original "Conan," but voila.

Once again, the Cimmerian warrior is on a mission to avenge the deaths of his father (Ron Perlman, who's in no way being put to his best use) and the rest of his village. He's after the evil warlord Khalar Zym (Stephen Lang), who's after the Mask of Acheron, which resembles a dried-up octopus. But it can spring to life and provide unlimited power to the wearer with the help of some drops of pure blood — which Tamara has. Hence, she's in demand.

Khalar Zym is aided in his quest by his half-witch daughter Marique, played by an over-the-top Rose McGowan in the kind of daring, skin-baring outfits she used to wear on the red carpet when she was still dating Marilyn Manson. Marique tries out her burgeoning supernatural powers in a battle with Conan himself, but when it comes time to fight Tamara as part of the film's climax, it's all mano-a-mano. Why? Because it's sexier for them to be writhing around on the ground with each other.

If only the rest of the movie had such an unabashed sense of camp, we might have been onto something.

'One Day'

Maybe it was all more resonant, more poignant on the page: the many highs and lows and major life shifts that occur during the

decades-spanning friendship/romance between Emma (Anne Hathaway) and Dexter (Jim Sturgess).

But here they feel so cursory and rushed, it's as if we're watching a filmed version of the CliffsNotes of David Nicholls' best-seller. The central conceit is this: Em and Dex meet after a long night of post-college graduation partying on July 15, 1988.

"One Day" keeps coming back to that one day, year after year, and checks in with them as they date other people, forge careers, share awkward dinners and basically wait around until the inevitable July 15 when they'll be together. Big, weighty moments are thrust before us — and these should be serious hanky moments — but since the emotional groundwork hasn't been laid for them, we're not moved. We're just not there yet. Emma and Dexter feel more like ideas, types, rather than fleshed-out characters, so the supporting players who supposedly play crucial roles for them barely register either. It's a hand-some misfire, though. And it's all the more curious coming from Danish director Lone Scherfig, whose last film was the excellent "An Education" (2009), which was nominated for three Academy Awards including best picture. PG-13 for sexual content, partial nudity, language, some violence and substance abuse. 104 minutes. One and a half stars out of four.

Bigger apartment may not be better with a roommate

Dear Abby: My fiancée and I are living in a studio apartment owned by her mother. We're currently looking for another place to live, and can't decide whether or not to get a two-bedroom and a roommate.



Dear Abby

in our hearts. With love ..." because this will be anything BUT a happy anniversary. If you live near your husband's grandmother, offer to invite her over or take her out to dinner so she won't be alone.

We both know the pros and cons of living with other people, and I have a potential roommate I trust completely. But I'm apprehensive because I had a roommate once before and it wasn't a great experience. We're still friends, but I would never live with him again.

We're trying to get out soon. I don't want to make the wrong decision and lose either a friend or a future wife because of money, hurt feelings or anything else. Please advise.

— *Mike in Florida*

Dear Mike: Living together, as you have probably already learned, requires adjustment on the part of all of the parties concerned. While you trust this friend to be a responsible roommate, what if something unforeseeable were to happen and the person should have to unexpectedly move out? Would he or she be on the lease with you? Could you pay the rent without the help of another roommate? How would you manage if the roommate were to have a live-in, too?

Because of these questions, it might be better to take a place with one bedroom to avoid possible complications.

Dear Abby: Is it appropriate to send anniversary flowers to a widow? My husband's grandfather just passed away, and this will be his grandmother's first wedding anniversary as a widow.

Etiquette guides conflict in their advice regarding sending anniversary cards and flowers to widows. Would flowers be inappropriate? If not, what should the delivery card say?

— *Sentimental in Keller, Texas*

Dear Sentimental: Sending flowers would be a kind and thoughtful gesture. The card could read, "You're in our thoughts and

Dear Abby: I'm a 21-year-old guy who needs to know how to properly introduce myself to a lady. My first instinct is to shake her hand — that's how I introduce myself to guys. I'm always uneasy shaking a girl's hand because I am not sure if it is appropriate. If I am seated, I will stand to introduce myself, but then there's an awkward pause afterward. Please advise.

— *A Proper Gentleman*

Dear Gentleman: According to the rules of etiquette, it's the woman who dictates whether or not to shake hands. If she extends her hand, you should shake it. If not, keep your hands at your sides — smile, tell her your name and say, "It's nice to meet you." That's all you have to do.

Dear Abby: I live in a nice, quiet neighborhood. A few months ago, however, a young woman who lived across the street from me was brutally stabbed to death by her jealous boyfriend. After a few months of getting the rental home cleaned up, there are new people moving in. Should I make sure they're aware of what happened or should I keep quiet?

— *Concerned in Missouri*

Dear Concerned: Exactly what are you concerned about — that the boyfriend will come back and stab the new renters? They should have already been informed about the history of the place by the person renting the property. But if they weren't, I see little to be gained by your being the bearer of those bad tidings.

Dear Abby is written by Abigail Van Buren, also known as Jeanne Phillips, and was founded by her mother, Pauline Phillips. Write Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com.

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Fun By The Numbers

Like puzzles? Then you'll love sudoku. This mind-bending puzzle will have you hooked from the moment you square off, so sharpen your pencil and put your sudoku savvy to the test!

Here's How It Works:

Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

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NURTURING YOUNG Nature Lovers

FAMILY FEATURES

Whether you're a parent, a classroom teacher, or a homeschool instructor, you know that students learn best when they can interact with their subject. It can be fun and inspirational to explore and experience an educational concept first hand.

The sample project featured here comes from a new, free resource that's helping to inspire an appreciation of botany in elementary-aged students across the country. The educator website MyBotanicPlanet.com is a creative collaboration between TruGreen, the nation's largest professional lawn, tree and shrub care service provider, and the Memphis Botanic Garden.

U.S. standardized lesson plans in botany and related activities available on MyBotanicPlanet.com were created by professional curriculum developers to help grades K-5 teachers and students explore the diverse plant world. Through online and hands-on experiences, this creative educator resource lets students customize an avatar to explore colorful plant environments and interactive games as they learn. My Botanic Planet visitors can interact with educational guides Flavor Flores on an adventure in the origin of plant flavors, and with Inspector Nectar on a flower mystery investigation.



TruGreen's MyBotanicPlanet.com guide Flavor Flores helps K-5 students enjoy learning about the origin of flavors from plants.

My Botanic Planet Flower Investigation

There's no better way for students to investigate the parts of a flower than by dissecting real ones.

What you need

- Enough real flowers for pairs or groups to work together. Alstroemerias and gladiolus work well and are available year round in supermarket floral departments. Azaleas or any member of the lily family could also be used because the parts are well-defined and easy to see.
- Plastic knives and tweezers could be used for dissecting equipment.
- A magnifying glass would allow for closer inspection.

Getting started

- Open up the flower. This is easily done by first locating the base of the flower and slicing or splitting it in half. Use a dissection tool or even a fingernail.
- Next, slice or pinch off the petals. Remind students to be careful with all of the tiny pieces. It's easy to damage or brush away some of the most important parts.

Review the parts of the flower

- **Petal:** This is the colorful part of the flower that attracts the attention of birds, bees and butterflies, letting them know that there is food inside the flower. Have students record how many petals their flower has and what they look like.
- **Stamen:** This is where the pollen is made. For older students, you could also point out that the top part that holds the pollen

is the anther and the stem part is called the filament. Students should record how many stamens their flower has. If it has six petals, it will also have six stamens. If they have an extra piece, then one should look a little bit different, and is actually part of the pistil.

- **Pistil:** This is where the seeds are made. The pistil is made of three different parts. The very top of the pistil is called the stigma. The stigma is where the pollen falls when a pollinator brings it in. The pollen travels down the tube (style) and goes down to the bottom (ovary) where the seeds will form. Split the pistil lengthwise to look inside. You should see unfertilized beginnings of seeds. The seed pattern inside will be the same pattern of seeds within the fruit later.
- If you cut an apple in half horizontally and see the five seeds in a star pattern, you will know that the flower's pistil had five compartments.
- **Sepal:** These are the tiny leaves on the lower part of the flower that protect it before it begins to bloom. Every flowering bud is hidden safely behind these two little leaves until the flower is fully developed. When the bloom begins to grow, the sepal will split open and the petals can break out.

Have kids take home papers and draw flowers they see at home or in their neighborhood. Collect all of the images and sort the flowers according to color, type, where they were seen, etc. Then create a "Students in Bloom" bulletin board where the pictures are showcased.

For Grades 3-5

- **Pollinator Power:** Ask students to research a specific pollinator, such as bees, butterflies or moths, and find out where they live, how much nectar they eat, how many plants they visit in a day, etc., and report back to the class. For example, hummingbirds can visit up to 1,500 flowers a day and consume almost twice their body weight in nectar daily.

Extension lesson

Every fruit began as a flower. In an apple, for example, the petals withered away and the ovary grew containing the seeds, but there are other parts still there, like the sepal and flower stem. Bring in various fruits to "dissect" and examine the seeds and other parts. Chart their similarities and differences.

Visit TruGreen's www.MyBotanicPlanet.com with your student to explore some of the flowers in our environment. The website reinforces concepts featured in this sample activity in botany with an interactive glossary and games.

Next steps

For Grades K-2

- Fold a piece of paper in half twice, creating four smaller panels. Go on a school discovery where kids draw pictures of various flowering plants.