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Two more arrested in dog fighting probe

By **ED BALDRIDGE**
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SEBRING — Two more arrests were made this week in Sebring in connection to a dog fighting operation where 29 dogs were rescued, according to Nell Hays, Highlands County Sheriff's Office Public Information Officer.

Wanda Ann Paul, 40, was arrested Wednesday and booked on 28 counts of selling, possession or causing ani-

mals to fight.

Paul was also charged with one count of animal cruelty.

All the charges are third-degree felonies.

Marcus Ledell Sanders, 28, was also booked into the Highlands County Jail on three counts of animal cruelty and possession of animals to fight as well as possession of more than 20 grams of marijuana.

Both Paul and Sanders bailed out

of jail on Wednesday, Paul on \$58,000 bond and Sanders on \$6,500 bond, Hays said.

HCSO deputies were dispatched to a alleged dog fight on Dec. 6 and discovered a batch of pit bull puppies and 15 dogs who had shown obvious wounds and scars from fighting, according to reports.

Paul allegedly helped her roommate, James Reed, raise puppies at their house on 207 Atteberry Drive,

Hays said, but the extent of her involvement was revealed during the currently ongoing investigation.

Sanders admitted under oath on a Jan. 6 civil court hearing that three of the 16 original dogs seized belonged to him.

Sanders told the court that he had taken the dogs to Reed's house the week before, but stated the scars and

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Bringing history back to life

Scouts plant orange trees at state park

By **CHRISTOPHER TUFFLEY**
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SEBRING — It was already hot by 9:30 Saturday morning, but it didn't seem to slow down members of Boy Scout Troop 808 who had turned out to help Justin Smith complete the community service project he needed to advance to Eagle Scout.

Smith was leading the group of about 10 scouts and a scattering of parents in planting 20 orange trees in Highlands Hammock State Park — 10 Hamlins and 10 Valencias.

The group brought their own tools with them and worked in the area which had once been private property, where an early Highlands County pioneer had planted an orange grove.

Over the years the trees have died away, but the grove is considered an important cultural artifact. Which is why Dorothy Harris, park service specialist, and Steven Dale, the park manager, were happy to help Smith when he called volunteering to work on an improvement project.

Smith does not have an agricultural background.

When asked if he had done any special study to get ready, he said, "I looked up planting oranges on



Justin Smith of Troop 808 works to plant citrus trees at Highlands Hammock State Park in Sebring Saturday morning in an effort to become an Eagle Scout.

News-Sun photo by **KATARA SIMMONS**

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Beebe funeral Monday

Viewing today

News-Sun staff

SEBRING — Funeral arrangements for Richard "Rick" Beebe, a candidate for Supervisor of Elections, were announced on Thursday.

According to a Highlands County Tea Party press release, viewing for Beebe will begin on Sunday at 6 p.m. and last until 8 p.m. at St. Catherine's Catholic Church, 882 Bay St., Sebring.



Beebe

The funeral mass will be held on Monday at 9:30 a.m. again at St. Catherine's Catholic Church and the burial will begin at 11 a.m. Monday at Lakeview Memorial Gardens, Inc., 854 Memorial Drive, Avon Park.

Beebe died on Tuesday night while he was attending a candidate panel held by the Tea Party at Homer's Restaurant.

Witnesses stated that Beebe did well during his turn at the discussion, answered questions and the expired during the thank-you phase of the meeting at the end.

Toward the end of the event, just before 8 p.m., when candidates were taking the final questions from the audience, someone noticed Beebe was no longer sitting on his chair.

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DUI program aims to scare Sebring students straight

By **SAMANTHA GHOLAR**
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SEBRING — Eight teens die every day in DUI crashes — a sobering statistic. Unfortunately, statistics are not enough to keep teenagers sober.

Which is why the Smith Center at Sebring High School was eerily dark Friday morning as students entered for a special program put together by Resource Officer Shannon Purvis.

"We had this program last year but it was a little shorter. I wanted to up it this year. Each year I want to make it bigger and better," Purvis said.

The program is a realistic look at what poor decision making can lead to for students. The life-altering consequences of reckless partying, drinking and driving and other decisions can easily take a student's life from flying high to low.

The skit featured a scenario of two of Sebring's most popular students, football star Anthony Powell and homecoming queen Sara Carol.

Powell and Carol are close friends and very well-liked around the campus which makes

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News-Sun photo by **SAMANTHA GHOLAR**

An emergency room scene from the Sebring High DUI/Prom program skit shows juniors and seniors the consequences of bad choices with partying and alcohol.

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Centennial Notebook

Time capsule to be part of Centennial celebration

Did you know that there was a time capsule buried on the Circle during the Bicentennial of Sebring in July 1976? Yes, it's true.

Unfortunately, it was destroyed as it was accidentally dug up in the early 1980s. What was left of the time capsule was not in good shape at all. The box had leaked and all the items that were contained in the capsule were rotted and rusted, and mold was the main item featured. Carole Goad, Archivist at Sebring Historical Society remembers it well.

Time capsules are an ancient tradition dating back to the seventh century B.C. Some people say they are the closest we can come to time traveling. They are a unique way of communicating with future generations through objects from today. The first time capsules were used to preserve documents or items of interest. They are considered a way to share culture and history that might be lost over time as people forget or change stories passed down from one generation to another.

These capsules were buried in foundations of buildings or near landmarks that would lead to the easy recovery of the time capsule in the future. The first time that it was recorded and buried was in the seventh century B.C. by Esarhaddon, who was king of Assyria.

Time capsules are also placed at times of celebration. There was a time capsule placed to celebrate the centennial of the United States of America near the steps of the Capitol Building in Washington, D.C. and was opened as directed during the Bicentennial, at which time a new time capsule replaced the one just opened. This is a common tradition among people to mark time at important events in history.

During Centennial Celebration week in October, we will have another time capsule to place in the ground, marking our 100th birthday, and the event will take place during the Centennial Marker Dedication (as of now scheduled for Oct. 18), to be opened again 100 years from now. The plans are for the 18x11x11 vault to have a granite slate on top to state what it is and, of course, this one will be waterproof.

A time capsule buried in Seward, Neb., claims to be the largest in the world and is the work of Harold Keith Davison, who was a local celebrity, store owner and town character. Davison wasn't that concerned with the far-distant future but was mostly thinking about his grandkids and to show them what his life was like in 1975. He also wanted his time capsule to be the biggest one in the world. The 45-ton vault was

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Courtesy photo

(From left) Rachel Nawrocki, executive director Samaritan's Touch Care Center; Dawn Pisarski ARNP, SFCC nursing professor; Dr. Michele Heston, SFCC director of Nursing Education; Tonya Chancey, SFCC nursing professor; Sylvia Lauchman, nursing student; Maggie Rodriguez, nursing student.

SFCC nursing students launch 'Who Can Help' project

Special to the News-Sun
AVON PARK — Members of the South Florida Community College Nursing Program have launched an aggressive community resource project to address the overwhelming need to link low-income, uninsured individuals with access to free county, state and federal resources.

The "Who Can Help" project, led by student nurses Sylvia Lauchman and Maggie Rodriguez, was presented to Rachel Nawrocki, executive director of Samaritan's Touch Care Center on May 2.

Under the direction of SFCC Nursing Professor Tonya Chancey, Lauchman and Rodriguez developed an all-inclusive (health, social and human service) resource guide and display panel. The display features more than 150 free resources available at the local, county and state level.

Information provided will serve as a tool to connect patients with vital resources, such as food, housing, clothing, medication, medical supplies, support groups and wellness education (e.g., smoking cessation classes, diabetes education classes).

The goal of the project will improve accessibility to

All-inclusive resource guide for those in financial need

community resources as well as provide the Samaritan's Touch team with a variety of resources, right at their fingertips. Samaritan's Touch Care Center is the only organization of its type in Highlands County, providing free primary and specialized health care to those who have no insurance of any kind and who are at or below 200 percent of federal poverty guidelines.

Samaritan's Touch receives no state or federal funding and relies primarily on the support of a caring community to continue to provide health care to the county's most at risk individuals.

"The project is ambitious and represents the commitment of our nursing students to the community," said Dr. Michele Heston, director of Nursing Education at SFCC. "Projects such as the one presented by Lauchman and Rodriguez vibrantly illustrate the core values of our institution and the vision of our nursing program: Students

Focused on Competence and Compassion."

"I am overwhelmed by the magnitude of time and effort that went into creating the 'Who Can Help' resource guide," Nawrocki said. "This project is working evidence of the high quality, caring, and compassionate graduates the SFCC nursing program is producing. The SFCC Nursing program, faculty, and students continue to raise the bar."

The student nurses of SFCC will carry the project forward annually. Each year a needs assessment will be conducted in which new resources will be identified and provided via the "Who Can Help" resource guide and display panel.

Contact Chancey at SFCC at 863-784-7425 for details.

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Senate candidate to speak to Tea Party

SEBRING — Candidate for U.S. Senate candidate Marielena Stuart will speak to the Highlands Tea Party on Tuesday at Homer's Restaurant, 1000 Sebring Square. The buffet is at 5:30 p.m. and the meeting is at 6 p.m.

For more information, visit www.thehighlandsteaparty.com, email JLPARZ@embarqmail.com or call 699-0743.

Free foreclosure prevention workshop

SEBRING — The foreclosure epidemic is showing no signs of a slow-down. Millions of Americans owe more than their home is worth. Get information from a reputable source while learning your options and staying current with developments in the marketplace that affect foreclosures.

A free workshop will be held from 7-9 p.m. on Wednesday at the LaQuinta Inn & Suites, 4115 US 27 South, Sebring.

An independent, non-profit organization based in Sarasota, the Neighborhood Community Foundation strives to help residents develop a better understanding of the foreclosure process, legal rights, and available options and solutions to remain in their homes.

The Workshops will answer many questions and provide insight to guide homeowners to the next positive step, wherever they may be in the process.

During the workshop

Hicks will share free legal advice about the most common types of errors and violations found in loan documents and provide a full explanation of the laws that protect homeowners when facing foreclosure eviction. In addition, homeowners will receive information from other non-profit agencies to help them properly assess a practical course of action for their needs.

Topics of the workshop include: loan modifications, federal foreclosure programs, loan audits, lender paybacks, simple steps to postpone your move, protecting against foreclosure predators, county agency resources and real legal defenses. To register for the Save Your Home Foreclosure Prevention Workshop, visit www.NeighborhoodCommunity.org or call The Neighborhood Community Foundation at 877-306-5299.

CFRPC meets Wednesday

WAUCHULA — The next meeting of the Central Florida Regional Planning Council is scheduled for Wednesday at 9:30 a.m. at the Hardee County Agri-Civic Center, 515 Civic Center Drive in Wauchula. A copy of the Agenda is attached.

Council meeting agenda exhibit materials can be accessed at cfrpc.org/.

If you have any questions or comments concerning an agenda item, you may contact Patricia M. Steed, executive direc-

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Rock'n Heartland

YOUTH TRI SERIES

Be a guitar hero, then swim, bike and ride

By CHRISTOPHER TUFFLEY christophertuffley@newssun.com

SEBRING — A special happening at the Highlands County Family YMCA does triple duty May 12-13 — raising money for Julie's Funds for Kids, providing an exciting physical challenge for young athletes, and furnishing a fun-filled fiesta.

As Kevin Shutt, media coordinator for the event, said, "It's going to be the party of the decade, or at least of that weekend."

Called the Rock'n Heartland Youth Triathlon Series — which has no connection to the Heartland Triathlon — the event is built around the race for athletes from 5-16 years of age on May 13 at the YMCA.

Shutt asked, "How do you

Rock a triathlon?" Then answered his own question.

"First we created a family friendly, centrally located series with race distances appropriate for the children in your immediate and extended families, youth groups, church groups and classrooms.

"Next we issued a challenge to the principals of our schools to (compete for the) Rock the Julie's Kids Challenge Trophy," which will be awarded to the school with the most representation at the races.

"Now," Shutt continued, "we're introducing the Guitar Hero Challenge. It's our opening act, debuting 6 p.m., Saturday May 12 at the YMCA, where 'Game On!

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EDITORIAL & OPINION

TODAY'S EDITORIAL

Animal control is a sad necessity

It's sometimes seems like a horrible job, but it's called animal control for a reason.

So many people see dogs and cats as disposable, and that is the problem both animal control and humane societies face.

In the mean time, those groups that have to take care of animals others discard are up to their arm pits in pets that need good homes.

In nature, there are environmental checks and balances to population control for animals. When the population gets too large, the food source decreases and there is an adjustment.

In an ever-increasing urbanized county, there is no population control mechanism except animal control agencies.

It is a sad situation, but a natural balance is maintained until humans get involved and cause a tip. Then humans have to address the problems they create.

Irresponsible breeding and impulsive pet acquisition are the main sources for abandoned pets.

The American Human Society says that each year approximately 8 million stray and unwanted animals are taken in by shelters across the country.

Tragically, about 3.7 million – nearly half – of these animals must be euthanized because good homes cannot be found.

The AHS also states that, sadly, shelter euthanasia is the leading cause of death for both dogs and cats in the United States.

Despite increased public awareness over the past 40 years, 35 percent of pet owners in the U.S. still choose not to spay or neuter their pets. Many intentionally choose to breed animals, either for profit or for what they mistakenly believe to be a “fun” experience. Others choose not to spay or neuter out of ignorance, thinking their pets won't breed accidentally because they are kept indoors.

Additionally, many people acquire pets without thinking about the time, effort and expense involved in keeping them.

The most common reason a pet ends up at Animal Control? Owners state they don't have the time.

These owners without time drop their pets at the shelters, along the side of the road, or if the animal is lucky — in a rescue.

That's when an animal control agency is needed.

Moving, can't afford and behavior problems are also top excuses recorded at

the Highlands County Animal Control when a pet is dropped off.

If the only animals that came into the shelter were ones where the owner died, then there would be plenty of time, room and other resources to deal with them.

So why do so many people consider pets to be disposable, and what can we do to change this way of thinking?

This is a question that most shelter professionals ask themselves every day, and unfortunately, there is no simple answer.

To solve this problem, more effort has to be put into a cultural change where every individual fully considers all of the responsibilities and consequences of pet ownership before adopting and making a lifetime commitment to their pet.

That perfect world may not be realized anytime soon, and therefore, animal control is necessary.

A mindset change is needed and that can only be accomplished when laws, and hearts, are changed.

That's where the passion and emotion and resources should go.

Not at finger pointing or name calling.

But, until those changes are enacted, we still have to have some form of animal control.

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The case for chocolate

Laura's Look

Laura Ware

Recently my mother-in-law told me she'd seen a news report that stated chocolate is bad for you. Something about it being addictive like a drug. They probably threw in some comments about it being fattening as well.

I didn't see this news report. I tried to find it using Google, and have not been successful. Not that there aren't about a zillion articles about chocolate on the Internet, but this particular one eludes me.

It's just as well. I'd like to think that whoever wrote the story had second thoughts and pulled it.

Because when it comes to messing with my chocolate, a line is crossed.

I've listened to the diet cops preach at me for much of my life. They tell me something is bad for me, then change their mind and say it's fine, then change their mind again and say, oops, we were right the first time. It gets old.

Right now, carbs are the bad guys. Protein and vegetables are all fine and dandy, but eat one slice of bread and you'll puff up to the size of a house. These people would've had a hard time wandering around the wilderness with Moses and the Israelites, who survived on manna, a bread-like substance if I read my Bible right.

I am currently trying to stay on the low carb wagon, but I'm the first to admit I fall off it. Frequently, I grumble and climb back on, hoping one day I will find I like broccoli and cauliflower as much as pasta. Don't hold your breath on that.

Then there are the exercise people, who preach the gospel of sweat. They tell me if I'll just get out there and try to kill myself either by walking a treadmill or bicycling or any of a number of activities that the weight will come off and I will be happier and healthier for it.

I do see the exerciser's point of view. I know exer-

ercise can be good for one's health. And I know that my job of writing doesn't afford one with a lot of opportunity for that. So yes, in a perfect world exercising would be in the schedule.

But I don't live in a perfect world yet. I'm working on getting the exercise in as a part of my life. I just wish reading and typing burned up as many calories as a half hour on a treadmill.

But now they want to meddle with my chocolate? Sorry, that crosses a line. Yes, it has sugar in it. So? I'm not saying you should scarf down a bag of Hershey's Kisses, but a couple aren't going to have that big an impact.

As for chocolate being addictive, that's not true. We chocoholics can get by for days without the stuff – but why would we want to? Chocolate can take the sting out of a bad day and bump a good day up a notch. It tastes good. Small amounts of the dark stuff (the good stuff, in my opinion) are supposed to have health benefits. And I don't think it's possible to frown with chocolate in your mouth.

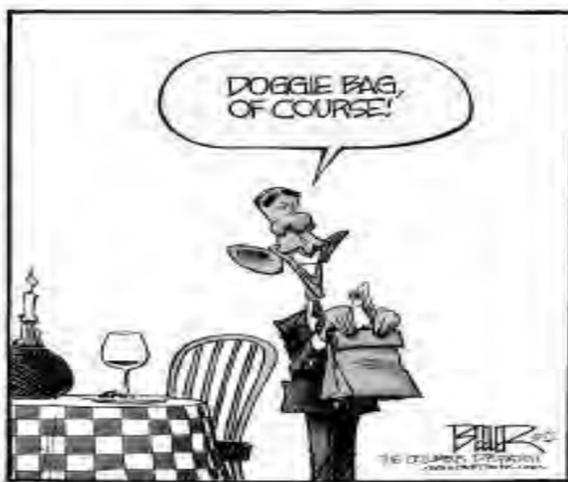
So, diet cops, here's the deal. I will make an effort to eat right. I will work harder to drop the pounds off my body. I will even attempt to get some kind of exercise in that actually burns some calories.

But keep your hands off my chocolate. I am not giving it up. Unless, of course, you just want a bite for yourself. In that case, I can share.

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Guest columns are the opinion of the writer, not necessarily those of the staff of the News-Sun.

HOT ISSUE: WHAT is the PROPER METHOD of TRANSPORTING a DOG?



TODAY'S LETTERS

Beebe's untimely death a reminder

Editor:

Our family and campaign team would like to offer sincerest sympathies to the family and friends of Richard Beebe. As reported by this paper, Mr. Beebe passed away while at a campaign stop this week. He was a candidate for local office.

There is nothing more honorable or more American than offering yourself for public service. There are also few things that require more hard work and create more stress for oneself and our families than the campaign trail.

While none of us know what caused Mr. Beebe's passing, we can all agree that he spent the last days of his life trying to make his community a better place for all of us ... and that is truly what public service is all about. As each of us who would propose to serve in government office make our case to the public, I am reminded how important it is to treat each other well, and take the high road when speaking about others.

As a member of the Florida House for four terms I have spent much time on the campaign trail. I've run against many opponents that I didn't agree with, but I have never met anyone who was willing to run that didn't honestly want to make the place better, and was willing to put up with a sometimes hostile environment often found in today's elections.

Mr. Beebe was willing to take on the difficulties found on the campaign trail in order to improve his community. It is a rare person who is willing to make that sacrifice. Regardless of party or

policy issues, that willingness to serve deserves both pause and respect.

Mr. Beebe will be remembered for having the courage to be heard. In his honor we stand down our campaign operations today and offer our prayers on behalf of his family.

Randy Johnson
Sebring

Mandate is proof of another empty promise

Editor:

When the Obama Administration's healthcare financing plan was signed into law, President Obama and Congress promised that funds under the new law would not cover abortions.

This has now been proven to be an empty promise.

Why? Because the Department of Health of Human Services (HHS) has mandated that under the health care law, private health insurance plans must cover the “full range of FDA-approved contraception” in this category. HHS explicitly included the abortion-induced drug Ella.

This mandate includes a so-called “religious employer exemption,” yet the exemption is so narrowly defined that most religious schools, colleges, hospitals and charitable organizations serving the public do not qualify. Even an expanded definition of “religious employers” would fail to protect non-religiously affiliated organizations, individuals and even religiously affiliated health insurers whose pro-life consciences are nonetheless violated.

This is an attack on the freedom of conscience of

millions of Americans, taking their freedom of choice to purchase private insurance that does not violate their ethical, moral or religious objections. I hope all readers will contact their elected representatives in Washington, D.C. and voice outrage over this anti-life mandate.

Mary E. Stratton
Lake Placid

Middle class America may never recover

Editor:

An open letter to the President of these United States:

America and the false impression given to the world – a nation where the power doesn't belong to its people, but to the highest bidder. Our nation has never been a nation of “We, the people” but rather a nation of power-brokers where money controls. We could become a nation where the people are in control if we had term limits for all people.

In my youth I was taught to honor public officials. After seeing many of our public officials make public office a lifetime career, “after more than two terms,” they changed from representing the people to representing large corporations, the very rich and themselves. They sold the power of their office to the highest bidder.

In my youth I had great expectations for a change in government when the 22nd amendment gave only two terms to the highest office but failed to expand the two terms to “all” public office, local, state and all three branches of the federal gov-

ernment.

President Truman should have demanded two terms for all public officeholders before he signed the change. He could have ran for a third term. Seeing the wisdom of two terms only, he declined.

With the total control that multinational corporations have over the American public and the total outsourcing of our jobs and resources, the next president should make it a priority in the future to give back to the people the power to control their fate by changing the 22nd amendment to two terms for “all” public officials.

The 99 percent should demand that this be a number one priority of the next president. If power is not willingly given back to the people, our nation will collapse into civil unrest.

The American people truly believe in a nation of laws that makes all Americans equal under those laws. Multinational corporations believe only in profits and the power profits give them.

This problem can be handled without bloodshed “only” if our leadership acts to protect the rights of the American people and create a truly “free” election process.

Without term limits to give power back to the people, middle class America will never recover.

Multinational corporations and foreign governments through unfair trade laws will continue to hold American jobs hostage.

The political party that promotes term limits could win the 2012 election hands-down.

Billie E. Jewett
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AP Farmers' Market doesn't qualify for federal grants

Special to the News-Sun

The Department of Agriculture this month announced that it is seeking grant applicants for the 2012 Farmers Market Promotion Program (FMPP), but local Avon Park Farmers' Market Organizer Ed Baldrige said their group does not qualify.

The USDA has set aside approximately \$10 million for marketing operations such as farmers' markets, community supported agriculture and road-side stands.

"The organization itself does not qualify for the USDA Marketing Grant Program," said Baldrige.

"Some group out there may qualify, and there are some other great efforts going on to organize something in each town for the next snowbird season. This could be a great opportunity.

"Commissioner Don Elwell sent this out during the week sometime with the hopes that some of the roadside stands or non-profits could take advantage of the opportunity. The time line is really short, I think it is May 21, but I forwarded the information to both the Highlands County Economic Development Commission and the Avon Park Community Redevelopment

Agency, so I am not sure if one of those groups can participate," Baldrige said.

The Avon Park Market received a grant for the first quarter of advertising from the Avon Park Main Street Community Development Advisory Committee, which went for newspaper and radio advertising as well as signs.

"We felt after the first seed investment that the market could raise the money itself for advertising and the money from the CRA could possibly fund another effort," said Baldrige.

The grants, which are adminis-

tered by USDA's Agricultural Marketing Service, are available through a competitive application process on www.grants.gov/ and the project is designed to help expand healthy food choices in food deserts or low-income areas where the percentage of the population living in poverty is 20 percent or above.

According to the government's website, "the USDA, in coordination with the Departments of the Treasury and Health and Human Services, seeks to increase access to fresh, healthy and affordable food choices for all Americans, while expanding market opportunities for

farmers and ranchers."

The program is authorized by the Farmer-to-Consumer Direct Marketing Act of 1976 and amended by the Food, Conservation and Energy Act of 2008 (the Farm Bill).

The Farmers Market Promotion Program is in the seventh year of funding direct markets that benefit local and regional economies.

More than \$23.3 million in grant funds were awarded for FMPP from 2006-2011.

AMS awarded 20 grants in 2006; 23 grants in 2007; 85 grants in 2008, 86 grants in 2009, 81 grants in 2010, and 149 grants in 2011.

SFCC's Class of 2012 enjoys its moment in the sun

Special to the News-Sun

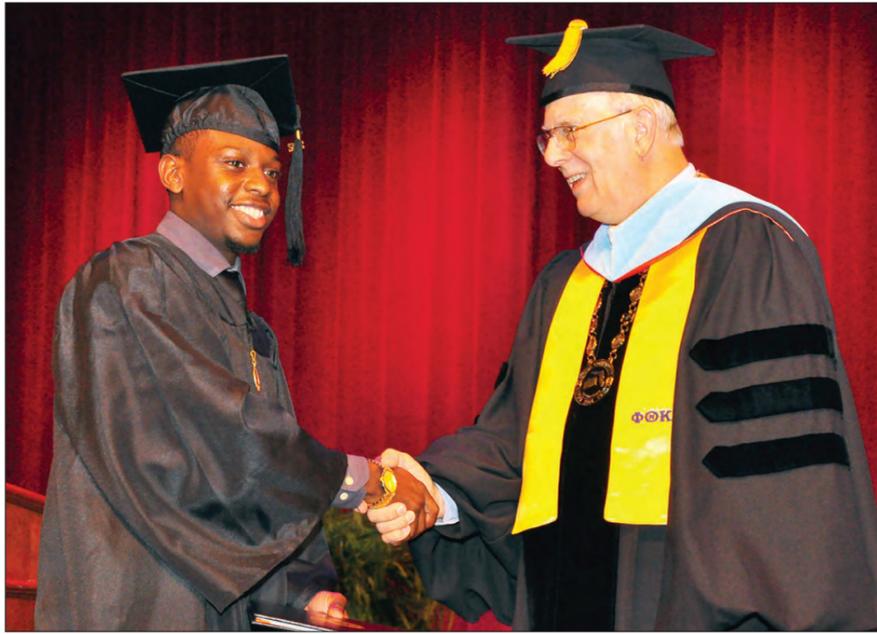
AVON PARK — South Florida Community College's Class of 2012 hugged friends, family members, and favorite professors, reminisced about classes and club activities, and talked about what they plan to do with the next adventure of their lives at the college's annual commencement service Thursday evening.

"We are at our graduation. How does that feel?" Keiarria Williams, student speaker, asked the new graduates who assembled in the SFCC Theatre for the Performing Arts to accept their hard-earned degrees, certificates, and diplomas. Judging from the joyous, enthusiastic response from her peers, being part of the Class of 2012 felt pretty good.

Along with sharing her pride in their common accomplishments, Williams encouraged her fellow Panthers to apply the knowledge and abilities they acquired at SFCC the challenges that will meet them in their journey through life. "I know that we are all going to move on to do great things," Williams said. "I hope that we embrace life as it comes our way and that we continue to work hard because I'm sure it's the only way."

"The point is to be able to look back at these times, not to be stuck in them. No rush, though, because we're about to reach our dreams, and we don't even have our arms stretched. Imagine the heights you would reach if you could just get a little higher."

Williams is no stranger to hard work. During the 2011-12 academic year, she was a member of SFCC's Brain Bowl team, which competed in the National Academic Quiz Tournament's (NAQT) Community College National Championships for the first time in its history.



Jakarius Lindsey (left) is congratulated by Dr. Norman L. Stephens Jr., SFCC president, for earning his vocational certificate in cosmetology.

She served as public relations officer and secretary for SFCC's Student Government Association (SGA) and was the student representative to the SFCC Museum of Art and Culture (MOFAC) advisory committee. She also formed the college's first yoga club.

This year, 538 students applied to receive two-year associate in art, associate in science, or associate in applied science degrees. College credit certificates, vocational certificates, and advanced technical diplomas were presented to 235 students.

Another 114 graduated from SFCC's Adult Education program.

Dr. Norman L. Stephens Jr., SFCC president, joined Williams in congratulating the new graduates for their efforts and expressed his hope that they would use their education and talents in the service of others.

"On behalf of our very dedicated faculty and staff and our Board of Trustees, I



Angie Noonon (left), South Florida Community College registration data specialist, pins Alyssa Thompson's cap in place before the 2012 commencement service. Thompson received her Associate in Arts degree Thursday night and now plans to study psychology at the University of Central Florida.

commend our graduates for reaching this important milestone. You have worked hard and learned important lessons that should prepare you for a successful future. We encourage you to serve the interests of others and to help those who may be less fortunate.

"We expect you will con-

tinue to learn as you experience life along with its many gifts and challenges, and that you will find fulfillment in all of your endeavors."

Dr. Stephens recognized five Honors Program graduates: Matthew Broxson, Sharleen Focant, Laura Patino, Rachel Reid, and Jennifer Segers.

Video contest looking for creative artists

'Stomp Out Arson' the theme

By CHRISTOPHER TUFFLEY

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SEBRING — Ever wanted to make a meaningful video? Love the outdoors? Here is an opportunity to combine interests and make a difference.

The Florida Forestry Arson Alert Association, which directly supports the Florida Forestry Service, is hosting a video competition in order to bring awareness about the serious threat of arson-caused wildfires.

According to the Forest Service, so far this year more than 20 percent of Florida's wildfires were caused by woods arsonists — that is, individuals who set fires deliberately. At the current rate there will be twice the number of intentionally set fires as occurred in 2011, which saw more than 800 wildfires burning up to 15,000 acres.

Chelsea Parker, coordinator of wildfire mitigation specialists in Tallahassee, issued a press release Wednesday describing the rules and objectives of the contest.

"Videos must center on the theme of 'Stomp Out Arson,' and highlight the negative effects of woods arson in a fun, safe and informative way."

Videos should be posted on the Florida Forest Service Facebook page. The video that obtains the most Facebook "likes" by Saturday will be declared the winner and receive a \$50 gift card.

Granted the time is short, and the prize small, but the true reward will be rising to the creative challenge and showcasing one's talent, while doing a public service in raising awareness to a serious problem.

Here are the guidelines:

Videos must incorporate the theme "Stomp Out Arson;" be no longer than 90 seconds — shorter is fine; have absolutely no profanity or vulgarity; and absolutely no live flame. Any videos which contain either profanity or live flames will be removed from the Facebook page and immediately disqualified.

Always remember safety comes first. "Do not do anything in your video that will cause harm or injury to yourself or others."

Only videos posted to the Florida Forest Service Facebook page will be considered. Go to the page for more information.

Parker reminds people that the Florida Forest Service manages more than 1 million acres of public forest land, while protecting more than 26 million acres of homes, forest land and natural resources from the devastating effects of wildfire.

Current conditions in Central Florida pose a serious threat of fire. Drying winds and lack of rain mean wild places are filled with quickly burning fuel. Dead vines provide easy access to tree crowns, and airborne embers easily blow over fire breaks.

The Forest Service and Office of Agricultural Law Enforcement are asking citizens for help in identifying suspected arsonists. Please report suspicious activity to the Arson Alert Hotline at 1-800-342-5869. Callers may remain anonymous. Information could be worth a reward of up to \$5,000.

Follow the contest at www.facebook.com/FLForestService, or Twitter at <http://twitter.com/FLForestService/>.

Time capsule to be buried as part of Sebring Centennial celebration

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In the second time capsule, Davisson entombed another car, a beat-up Datsun or Toyota (no one can remember which) to show what society does to a car in 10 years. Davisson died in 1999 at the age of 91 and his time cap-

sule will be opened on July 4, 2025.

Wouldn't a simple time capsule be a great tradition for your family? Perhaps the birth of a baby, a wedding date, or an annual event that your family can look back at

the last year with some terrific memories.

Remember to stop by the Sebring Historical Society or the Greater Sebring Chamber of Commerce and get your coffee table book "The One-Hundred Years of Sebring"

and your hat, T-shirt, lapel pin, grocery tote bag, cup or bumper sticker, all sporting the official Centennial logo.

Mayor George Hensley urges all citizens, groups, clubs, societies and businesses to join in the celebration.

Call 863-655-5554, email events@sebring100.com, like us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/CelebrateSebringCentennial, or go to the website www.Sebring100.com to get involved. Thanks to the News-Sun for the opportunity

to keep everyone informed on Sebring's Centennial Celebration. Reference this article every Sunday and you won't miss a thing.

Jen Brown is a member of the Sebring Centennial Committee.

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tor, at psteed@cfrpc.org or 863-534-7130 ext.130. The issues that come before the Council affect the entire Region. The opportunity to comment on agenda items is provided to everyone during the meetings.

If you would like further information or require special assistance, please contact Kathy Hall at khall@cfrpc.org or 863-534-7130 ext.129.

'How to Live to 100' presentation set

SEBRING — Donald Goddard, M.D., a family medicine physician, will present "How to Live to 100: Blue Zones Lessons for Living Longer, Better" at the next Your Health Connection lecture, Thursday, 6:30 p.m., at Florida Hospital Heartland Medical Center on Sun n' Lake Boulevard in Conference Room 1.

Dr. Goddard will explain what Blue Zones are, and why the people that live in those areas are some of the longest-lived individuals on earth. These people manage to live longer and better, and it's not through pills, surgery or medications. They also reach their golden years with fewer diseases, active lives and close, vibrant circles of friends and family.

This informational lecture is free, but registration is required by calling 402-3627.

Childs boat ramp close for repair

LAKE PLACID — Highlands County Parks and Recreation Department will close the Lake Placid (Childs) boat ramp at 3349 Placid View Drive for repair and maintenance from Monday, May 7 through Thursday, June 22. The ramp is schedule to reopen on Friday, June 23.

To access the lake, use the boat ramp at 150 Harris Drive.

For further information on boat ramp closings, contact the Highlands County Parks and Recreation Department at 402-6812.

SFCC offers new Child Development classes

South Florida Community College's Corporate and Community Education Department is offering exciting opportunities in child care classes for the summer 2012 term.

Introduction to Child Care is a 40-hour class that will cover child care facility rules and regulations, health, safety and nutrition, identifying and reporting child abuse and neglect, child growth and development, behavioral observation and screening, special needs appropriate practices. The class meets from 5:30-9:30 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays, May 14 through June 20 at the SFCC Highlands Campus. The cost is \$199.99 and includes six manuals.

Completion of both the FCCPC I and II courses are key elements to earning a Florida Child Care Professional Credential (FCCPC). FCCPC I and II addresses eight core areas of knowledge and skill associated with delivery of quality education to preschool children and builds upon the content of the state-mandated training courses previously completed by the caregiver.

Elks support Special STARS



Courtesy photo

Sebring Elks 1529 is a proud sponsor of the Highlands County STARS. Pictured here is the Elks Past Exalted Ruler, Heide Stover, throwing out the first pitch in the STARS annual softball tournament.

SFCC is offering both the FCCPC I and FCCPC II courses in English. FCCPC I meets from 6-9 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays, May 9 through July 30 at the SFCC Highlands Campus. The cost \$300. FCCPC II meets from 6:15-9:15 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays, May 8 through July 12 at the SFCC Lake Placid Center. The cost is \$300.

Register in Building B at the Highlands Campus or any SFCC campus or center. For more information email Debbie Gutierrez, program specialist, Corporate and Continuing Education, at gutierrezd@southflorida.edu or call (863) 784-7032.

Gem and Mineral Society meets Thursday

SEBRING — The next meeting of the Highlands Gem and Mineral Club will be at 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 8. Meetings take place in the rear fellowship hall of the Church of Christ, 3800 Sebring Parkway.

There are no dues or fees and the public is welcome. The purpose of the club is to further the educational and scientific pursuit of the wonders of the earth.

This meeting will focus on fossils, also rockhounding trips by members and guests.

The birthstone for May is the emerald, one of the oldest known gems found with mummies in Egyptian tombs. A member of the beryl family, Chromium and Vanadium turn it to brilliant emerald.

For more information, call 453-7054 or 655-0770.

Events planned at lodges, posts

AVON PARK
The Combat Veterans Memorial VFW Post 9853 will have NASCAR on the screen at noon today. Installation of Officers, Post, Men's Auxiliary and Ladies Auxiliary at 2 p.m. The Ladies Auxiliary meet at 4 p.m. Wednesday. The Men's Auxiliary meets at 6 p.m. Post meets at 7 p.m. Music by J.T. from 5-8 p.m. Friday. Karaoke from 5-8 p.m. Friday. NASCAR at 6:30 p.m. For more information, call 452-9853.

LAKE PLACID
The Lake Placid Elks Lodge 2661 BPOE Board meets at 7:30 p.m. Monday. The BPOE meets at 7 p.m. Tuesday. For more information, call the lodge at 465-2661.

The Lake Placid Moose Lodge 2374 will host karaoke with Fireman today. Call for time. Loyal Order of

the Moose Officers meet at 6:30 p.m. Monday. House Committee and Women of The Moose meets at 7 p.m. LOOM General meeting at 7:30 p.m. Karaoke with Fireman from 6:30-9:30 p.m. Wednesday, music with Franke from 6:30-9:30 p.m. Thursday, music with Larry Musgrave from 7-10 p.m. Friday, and music with Ransom from 7-10 p.m. Saturday. For more information, call 465-0131.

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The Sebring Elks Lodge 1529 will host its monthly golf game at 8 a.m. Monday at Golf Hammock. The board meets at 7 p.m. Wacky Wednesday is from 5-6:30 p.m. Wednesday. To dance only, the cost is \$3. Music will be by Frank E. from 4:30-7:30 p.m. Buffet is from 5-6:30 p.m. Friday. Dance to Do in' It Right from 6:30-9:30 p.m. To dance only on Wednesday or Friday, the cost is \$3. For details, call 471-3557.

OBITUARIES

RICHARD J. BEEBE

Richard J. Beebe, 52, of Sebring, died May 1, 2012. He was born in Binghamton, N.Y. He moved to Sebring in 2004 from Lakeland and was manager for CVS Pharmacy, Sebring.

He was a member of the Knights of Columbus where he was a trustee and youth leader. Rick was very active in many positions in St. Catherine Catholic Church.

Visitation will be from 6-8 p.m., Sunday at St. Catherine Catholic Church. Funeral Mass is at 9:30 a.m., Monday at St. Catherine Catholic Church. Entombment will be at Lakeview Memorial Gardens. Condolences may be expressed at www.morrisfuneralchapel.com.

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JOHN VANCE

John Wilson Vance, 84, passed away on April 19, 2012 at his residents in Avon Park surrounded by his loving family.

He was born in Banbridge, North Ireland and came to Florida in 1974.

He is survived by his wife, Pat of 59 years, two daughters, four grandchildren, a brother and a sister.

JOYCE E. WENTZ

Joyce E. Wentz, 78 of Sebring, died May 2, 2012. Joyce was born in Wauseon, Ohio, daughter of the late, Kenneth and Theola (Zimmerman) Fraker. She was a life-long resident of Wauseon, where she worked as a receptionist for Sterling Milk Company.

Joyce wintered in the Spring Lake area of Sebring since 1980 and attended Memorial United Methodist Church, Lake Placid. Joyce was preceded in death by her sister, Phyllis Altman, and she is survived by her loving family, husband, Richard E. Wentz; son, Bradley (Carol) Stoll; daughter, Cheryl Pelkey; sister, Annette Quillet; grandchildren, Katie, Kenny and Kevin Stoll.

The family will receive friends from 6:30 p.m. until 8 p.m., Monday at Morris Funeral Chapel, 307 S. Commerce Ave., Sebring. Those desiring may make memorials to NU-HOPE, 6414 US 27 S., Sebring, FL 33876. morrisfuneralchapel.com.

Youth tri series ready to rock

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Mobile Arcade' is helping Rock'n Heartland throw the party."

All pre-registered competitors and their siblings are eligible for the Guitar Hero Challenge.

"Save your 'A' game for Sunday's race," Shutt said, "but bring your rhythm and showmanship Saturday. Prizes will be awarded to the top three finishers in the dual-bracket, guitar-strumming and music-jamming contest."

As if the excitement of the race and the fun of the

Guitar Hero Challenge aren't enough, those who are pre-registered are invited to the YMCA at noon Saturday to pick up "swag-filled goody bags" and take a tour of the course.

To register online, visit Active.com (search Sebring, Heartland or Rock'n) or visit the YMCA.

The entry fee is \$30 for individual participants and \$55 for relay teams (who may split the cost). All participants are required to be a U.S.A. Triathlon member. That costs \$15, but is good for a year. Keep in mind

there will be a second Rock'n Heartland Youth Triathlon Series race on Aug. 12.

As for the race itself — beginners (ages 5-6) swim 25 yards, bike 1 mile and run one-quarter mile. Juniors (7-8) swim 50 yards, bike 2 miles and run a half-mile. Intermediates (9-11) swim 100 yards, bike four miles, and run one mile. Seniors (12-16) swim 200 yards, bike six miles and run 1 1/2 miles.

For more information call Shutt at 214-8679.

Officials remove 263 dogs from Venice home

VENICE (AP) — Animal welfare workers have removed 263 dogs from a southwest Florida home during an investigation of animal hoarding.

The last of the dogs were taken from the home in Venice, south of Sarasota,

on Friday in a process that officials said took three days. The investigation came about as the result of anonymous tips.

The dogs were reportedly well fed but many had matted fur and open sores, suffered from diseases and had

fleas. Some of the dogs were living in chicken coops on the expansive property.

Officials suspect the couple that owns the dogs were breeders at one point. They are expected to face misdemeanor charges.

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DUI program gives students a look at consequences

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the skit a little bit more convincing and powerful for students.

"This year we used the homecoming king and queen. I wanted the students to see that these things can happen to the good kids, not just the students that everyone knows drink normally," said Purvis.

The skit depicted Powell and Carol enjoying a night of fun at a party following prom. Carol, who doesn't drink, begins to let loose at the party and drinks to fit in with the rest of the crowd. Football star Powell was depicted as a social drinker who remains attentive to his best friend's altered state. Powell eventually offers to drive Carol home as she is too inebriated to do so herself.

The room went pitch black as the skit continues; voices of friends and 911 dispatchers, flashing police lights and sirens fill the room, setting the scene of a horrific car accident.

Lights returned in the building and the audience was then brought to the scene of an emergency room where a couple waits anxiously for news about their infant child, who was injured in the accident with Carol and Powell.

Doctors regretfully notified the parents of the child as well as Carol's mother

of their deaths due to the accident and Powell is left with guilt and sadness. Purvis eventually arrested Powell for the deaths of Carol and the infant.

"My biggest message from this is to let (students) know that it doesn't just affect them. Their choices can hurt others. In this skit, Anthony hurt more than himself. He lost his best friend and caused this family to lose their child," Purvis said.

Several students could be heard speaking about how the skit had an impact on them and how they will remember it come prom night Saturday.

"Junior and seniors were required to come to this. I think it's a great thing," said Brittany Lockhart.

"I had kids come to me and tell me that last year's program scared them. One girl said that she was so freaked out that she went home and watched 'Harry Potter' after prom," Purvis said. "It made me feel good."

Purvis stated that there had been no prom-related accidents or deaths involving Sebring students in the past several years, however the group did dedicate this year's program to former student Christopher Newell, who died in a vehicle accident last year.

Staff members Kenneth Palmerton, Wendy Cloud, Penny Decker, Suzanne Comedo and parent Karen Woods acted



News-Sun photo by SAMANTHA A GHOLAR
Sebring High School Resource Officer Shannon Purvis "arrests" Anthony Powell during the schools DUI and Prom Program.

in the skit. Students Catelyn Bryner, Brittany Lockhart, Sara Carol Anthony Powell, Ian Lockwood, Eric Ferretti Maureen Calhoun and Tessa Shoemaker each participated in the production.

The Sebring High School Chorus also sang Amazing Grace at the "funeral" during the program. Local EMS workers and sheriff's deputy also contributed to the production.

Beebe's funeral service planned for Monday morning

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Beebe was removed to the ambulance when it arrived, and was pronounced dead at 8:37 p.m.

"Rick Beebe was not only a candidate, but also a personal friend who, when asked a favor of, always came through," wrote Jack Nelson on the Highlands Tea Party web site Wednesday morning.

The current Supervisor of Elections, Joe Campbell, said on Friday that Beebe was still approximately 17 signature cards short of those required for qualification and his name would not appear on the 2012 ballot.

Beebe graduated from Syracuse University in 1998. From 2000 to 2010 he worked as a community leader and store manager for the Walgreens Corporation, overseeing four stores. In the company position of coordinator for

community fundraising events he helped many local organizations, including the American Cancer Society Relay for Life, Junior Achievement, and Habitat for Humanity. He also served as the Walgreens Highlands County flu shot coordinator.

He had served as Chairman of the Highlands County Republican Party, was a member of the Highlands County Group for Better Government, and a member of the Lake Placid Historical Society.

On a resume he listed his off hour activities as fishing, target practice, gardening, ATV riding and animals. Beebe was an active member of St. Catherine's Church and a member of the Knights of Columbus. He was also a member of the Highlands Tea Party.

Beebe is survived by his wife Lucy, three children and five grandchildren.



News-Sun photo by KATARA SIMMONS
Scouts from Boy Scout Troop 808 watch as Justin Smith demonstrates how to measure and cut wire fencing that will be used to protect new citrus trees from deer and raccoons.

Scouts plant orange trees

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Google." Then he grinned and added, "Google is a teenager's best friend."

In fact, he had also consulted with school board member Andy Tuck, who does work in the agricultural industry, and with J. Robinson, of Ward's Nursery in Avon Park. Robinson donated the 20 orange trees — which are about shin high.

In addition to planting the trees, steps had to be taken to protect them from the deer in the park.

Smith, who planted the flags showing where each tree would go some time earlier, explained that he's already found chew marks on the tops of the flags. "I thought it was kind of funny," he said.

For that reason some of the scouts went to work making round cages out of wire fencing. Each tree got a fence to keep the deer at bay.

Throughout the morning, Smith not only dug holes, but taught the younger scouts how to build the cages, prepare the roots and plant them properly.

He did have an expert on hand to help with the details. William Moore, whose 10-year-old son Will Moore is a member of the troop, manages 200 acres of citrus in Okeechobee. He explained the steps to be taken and how they should be done.

"Break up the roots," Moore said, "don't be afraid to be mean to it. Hold it up nice and straight, put it in the hole, then wash it in. You want to turn the dirt into mud so there are no air pockets. That way it will grow. Put the fertilizer on top. Water runs down, if (the fertilizer) is below the tree it won't catch it."

The boys began to work in small groups. Smith asked one of them, "Did you see what he did?" Referring to

Moore's demonstration.

"Not really," the other said.

"Come, I'll show you," Smith replied, grabbing a shovel.

Smith is a remarkable young man. He graduates from the International Baccalaureate Program at Sebring High School in a few weeks and is headed to the University of Florida where he plans to study aeronautical engineering.

His mother, Charlene Smith, couldn't help beaming as she watched him at work. "He's an IB nerd," she said with great pride. "He's president of the area's SWAT (Students Working Against Tobacco), on the community investment team for the United Way, in the National Honor Society, a member Mu Alpha Theta, the math honor society, and he's taking flight lessons out at the airport to get a sporting license."

Dog fighting arrests continue

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damage to the animals was due to hog hunting, not fighting.

The HCSO report states that a licensed veterinarian testified the injuries and scars were consistent with animal fighting and the dogs suffered from flea infestation and hair loss.

Many of scars were older than one week old and were enough to show that they occurred while in the possession of Sanders, the report said.

The arrest of Paul and Sanders, as well as Reed's previous arrest, brings the total count of those allegedly involved to seven, according to the HCSO.

Others arrested in the case included, Ernest Reed, 53, Corey Lee Love, 35, David Sims, 30 and Quandra Nicole Brown-Sims, 29. All are listed as Sebring residents.

Hays said on Friday that the investigation was ongoing and deputies were possibly seeking others involved.

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Five-Day forecast for Highlands County

TODAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
A thunderstorm in the afternoon	A p.m. shower or thunderstorm	Partly sunny, a t-storm possible	Partly sunny	Partly sunny, a t-storm possible
90° / 67°	90° / 68°	89° / 67°	87° / 67°	87° / 67°
Winds: W at 6-12 mph	Winds: WNW at 4-8 mph	Winds: WSW at 4-8 mph	Winds: WSW at 7-14 mph	Winds: WSW at 6-12 mph



Almanac

Temperature
Readings at Archbold Biological Station in Lake Placid
High Tuesday 89°
Low Tuesday 66°
High Wednesday 90°
Low Wednesday 64°
High Thursday 91°
Low Thursday 57°

Heat Index
For 3 p.m. today
Relative humidity 43%
Expected air temperature 89°
Makes it feel like 91°

Barometer
Tuesday 30.01
Wednesday 30.02
Thursday 30.06

Precipitation
Tuesday 0.00"
Wednesday 0.00"
Thursday 0.00"
Month to date 0.07"
Year to date 5.27"

Tides

Readings at St. Petersburg
High 3:51 a.m.
Low 7:49 a.m.
High 2:00 p.m.
Low 9:49 p.m.

Readings at Palm Beach
High 9:21 a.m.
Low 2:57 a.m.
High 10:02 p.m.
Low 3:17 p.m.

Lake Levels

Readings as of 7 a.m. yesterday
Lake Jackson 78.36'
Lake Okeechobee 11.66'
Normal 14.51'

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Regional Summary

Intervals of clouds and sun today with a thunderstorm during the afternoon. Partly cloudy tonight. Periods of clouds and sunshine tomorrow with a shower or thunderstorm around in the afternoon.

Farm Report

A thunderstorm this afternoon. Winds west 6-12 mph. Expect 4-8 hours of sunshine with a 55% chance of precipitation and average relative humidity 65%. Drying conditions fair.

Water Restrictions

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

Weather History

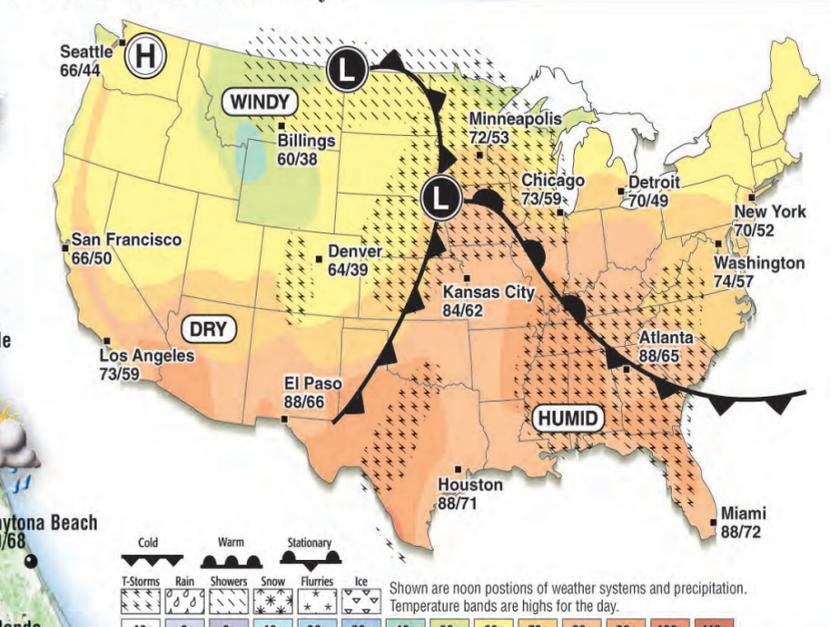
On May 6, 1975, near Omaha, Neb., a massive tornado killed three people and injured 133, while causing \$150 million in damage.

Sun and Moon

	Today	Monday
Sunrise	6:45 a.m.	6:44 a.m.
Sunset	8:00 p.m.	8:01 p.m.
Moonrise	8:59 p.m.	10:05 p.m.
Moonsset	7:00 a.m.	7:59 a.m.

Full May 5, Last May 12, New May 20, First May 28

National Forecast for May 6



National Summary

After summerlike weather across much of the Northeast, cooler temperatures are in store for the Northeast today with clouds and some sunshine. A cold front slicing into the Southeast will provide the spark for afternoon showers and thunderstorms from Kentucky to Florida. A storm system over the central Plains will bring showers and thunderstorms from Kansas to Minnesota. Hot temperatures will continue to scorch the southern Plains. Another storm will bring some showers and strong winds to the northern Rockies.

U.S. Cities

City	Today	Mon.	Tue.	City	Today	Mon.	Tue.
Albuquerque	81/55/s	75/50/pc	66/49/pc	Los Angeles	73/59/pc	75/58/s	80/59/s
Atlanta	88/65/t	81/66/pc	79/65/pc	Louisville	88/68/pc	82/66/t	79/58/t
Baltimore	72/52/pc	72/55/c	78/58/t	Memphis	90/71/pc	88/69/t	83/63/c
Birmingham	90/67/pc	89/66/t	87/65/pc	Milwaukee	66/51/c	63/47/sh	65/47/pc
Boston	64/47/pc	64/48/s	55/50/c	Minneapolis	72/53/r	69/48/pc	62/44/c
Charlotte	82/59/pc	80/60/pc	82/62/pc	Nashville	90/68/pc	88/64/t	83/59/t
Cheyenne	60/37/c	50/36/c	59/39/pc	New Orleans	86/68/pc	87/70/pc	86/68/pc
Chicago	73/59/c	67/50/r	70/46/pc	New York City	70/52/pc	70/52/c	68/56/sh
Cleveland	72/50/pc	72/55/r	68/49/c	Norfolk	68/57/pc	71/57/pc	77/62/t
Columbus	80/60/pc	77/62/r	77/50/t	Oklahoma City	87/65/t	77/57/s	73/53/pc
Dallas	92/72/pc	84/68/t	80/60/pc	Philadelphia	71/54/pc	71/54/c	72/57/sh
Denver	64/39/c	53/39/sh	62/42/pc	Phoenix	93/66/s	91/66/s	91/66/s
Detroit	70/49/pc	63/52/r	69/48/pc	Pittsburgh	76/54/pc	76/60/r	74/50/t
Harrisburg	72/55/pc	67/55/t	71/56/sh	Portland, ME	65/38/pc	65/44/s	55/44/c
Honolulu	85/72/s	85/71/s	85/70/pc	Portland, OR	71/45/pc	78/49/s	74/45/pc
Houston	88/71/pc	88/71/pc	85/68/pc	Raleigh	77/58/pc	79/60/t	82/63/pc
Indianapolis	82/65/pc	75/58/r	74/51/pc	Rochester	66/43/pc	69/54/t	68/50/sh
Jackson, MS	90/67/pc	90/66/pc	89/65/c	St. Louis	91/70/t	81/60/t	76/54/pc
Kansas City	84/62/t	72/52/c	72/50/pc	San Francisco	66/50/s	68/50/s	69/50/s
Lexington	86/64/pc	83/63/t	80/54/t	Seattle	66/44/pc	72/48/s	66/45/pc
Little Rock	91/68/pc	87/66/t	81/61/pc	Wash., DC	74/57/pc	72/59/c	78/63/t

World Cities

City	Today	Mon.	Tue.	City	Today	Mon.	Tue.
Acapulco	90/75/s	89/73/s	89/74/s	London	52/41/c	57/48/r	59/50/pc
Athens	84/63/s	86/64/pc	85/64/pc	Montreal	61/41/s	64/50/c	59/50/sh
Beirut	77/61/s	75/64/s	77/67/s	Moscow	71/55/pc	71/52/sh	66/51/c
Berlin	57/43/c	57/43/c	64/48/pc	Nice	65/55/sh	72/56/sh	70/55/pc
Bermuda	73/64/sh	72/64/sh	70/64/s	Ottawa	63/39/pc	69/51/c	60/48/sh
Calgary	56/39/pc	67/44/pc	72/44/pc	Quebec	57/34/s	61/39/s	59/46/pc
Dublin	50/38/c	51/43/r	55/37/sh	Rio de Janeiro	78/67/sh	79/67/pc	79/66/r
Edmonton	58/37/s	63/41/s	72/42/s	Seoul	72/48/s	72/52/pc	79/51/pc
Freeport	83/74/pc	85/72/s	85/73/pc	Singapore	87/77/t	90/79/t	90/77/t
Geneva	63/44/sh	64/41/pc	70/48/c	Sydney	70/50/pc	70/50/pc	73/54/s
Havana	87/66/s	87/67/sh	90/65/t	Toronto	64/44/pc	61/53/r	63/46/c
Hong Kong	84/77/c	86/78/pc	88/79/s	Vancouver	54/44/pc	60/50/s	60/46/c
Jerusalem	78/57/pc	73/54/s	73/57/s	Vienna	72/54/pc	61/49/r	69/47/s
Johannesburg	76/51/s	77/50/s	72/49/pc	Warsaw	64/40/sh	57/42/c	62/45/c
Kiev	77/56/t	79/57/pc	78/59/sh	Winnipeg	53/42/t	60/41/sh	56/41/c

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Help for women alcoholics and their families

FAMILY FEATURES

It's just a few drinks with dinner, or some wine to unwind at the end of the day — that's not a problem, right? For some women, it's not. But it's estimated that 5.3 million women in the U.S. drink in a way that threatens their health, safety and general well-being. It's a significant women's health issue that more people need to be made aware of.

Women and Alcohol

When it comes to how the body responds to alcohol, men and women are decidedly different. Women are at greater risk for developing alcohol-related problems, and some of that is due to simple biology.

When alcohol passes through the digestive tract, it gets dispersed in your body's water. The more water available, the more diluted the alcohol gets. Alcohol also gets stored in body fat. Pound for pound, women have less water and more body fat than men do. So even with equal consumption, women's brains and other organs are exposed to more alcohol and more of the toxic byproducts formed when the body breaks down and eliminates alcohol.

This means that women get intoxicated faster than men do. Women also develop alcohol-abuse problems, as well as alcohol-related physical health problems, at lower doses and in less time than men.

The National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence (NCADD) says that women who develop alcoholism have death rates nearly 75 percent higher than male alcoholics. Death from alcohol-related accidents, heart disease, stroke, cirrhosis of the liver and suicide happens more frequently in women.

Barriers to Getting Help

Even with such high risk factors and such dire consequences, fewer women than men are in alcohol treatment programs. While 75 percent of alcohol clients in U.S. treatment centers are men, only 25 percent are women, according to the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Prevention (NIAAA).

"Women face some significant barriers to getting treatment," said Molly O'Neill, president and CEO of First Call, (www.firstcallkc.org) an affiliate of NCADD based in Kansas City. "Lack of child care and limited financial resources are two of the biggest practical issues women face. They have a harder time paying for treatment costs and the child care they need in order to attend. And as the primary family caregivers, women have added responsibilities that make it harder to participate in regular treatment sessions."

The stigma of alcoholism is a unique barrier to women seeking help. "There are different social expectations for women," said O'Neill. "Women with substance abuse problems are treated much more harshly than men. If a drunk-driving accident is caused by a man, it's seen as unfortunate. But if it's caused

by a woman, particularly a mom, people tend to think, 'How could she do that? She's a mother!' One way we can help these women is to make sure people understand that alcoholism is not a character failing — it's an addictive disease that can be treated."

Getting Help

The good news is that once in recovery, women are more likely to stick with it. There are plenty of opportunities available through organizations such as Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) and the NCADD, which offer programs in most cities across the country. And many women take their first steps toward recovery by talking with their healthcare providers.

Addiction to alcohol doesn't just affect the user — it affects their families, significant others and friends. "Children of alcoholics have greater physical, emotional and behavioral problems than children of non-alcoholics," said O'Neill, "and they're three to four times more likely to abuse alcohol or other drugs themselves. That's why at First Call we offer programs for family members and friends impacted by a loved one's abuse, in addition to help for the one who is addicted."

To make getting access to help easier, and to help other human services agencies manage client care, First Call developed Community CareLink. This online program helps people connect with substance abuse professionals in a safe, secure way, and helps them stay on track with treatment plan goals and get the help they need. "We've found that women and children have trouble getting coordinated care," said O'Neill. "Community CareLink helps facilitate referrals and evaluations, and it gives people access to care they might not otherwise receive. We're very excited to share this program with agencies all across the country." (Learn more about Community CareLink at www.mobilecl.org.)

Alcohol addiction is a serious health issue, particularly for women. If you even suspect a problem, don't wait to reach out. There is hope, help and healing for you and the women you love.

What is a drink?

Do you really know how much you're drinking? You may think you only have a little wine with dinner, but you could be drinking more than what is recommended. Here is how the NIAAA defines "a drink":

- One 5-ounce glass of wine
- One 12-ounce bottle of beer
- 1.5 ounces of 80-proof distilled spirits

Ask yourself ...

- Do I drink when I feel depressed or stressed, hoping that it will make me feel better?
- Do I need a drink to feel more sociable?
- Am I more permissive with my children because I feel guilty about how I behaved while drinking?
- Do I ever wonder if anyone knows how much I drink?
- Have I tried to cover up when I couldn't remember promises, or felt ashamed when I have misplaced or lost things?

Answering yes to these types of questions can indicate you have a problem with alcohol.



Where to Get Help

- Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) — Visit www.aa.org, or call 212-870-3400. You can download the Steps Away smartphone app to help you find an AA meeting no matter where you are. Find it at www.aastepsaway.com, or www.appbrain.com.
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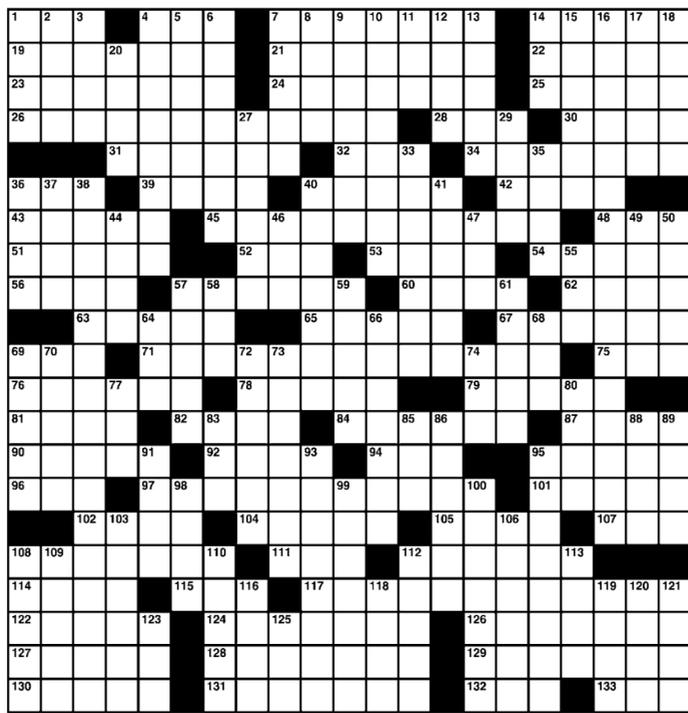
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By PATTI VAROL

The springtime of the soul



Pause And Consider

Jan Merop

Walking in our neighborhood one beautiful March morning, I felt the inspiration of springtime. Jaunty steps propelled me along as I breathed in the freshness of the cool, breezy air.

It prompted me to do some container gardening and brighten our little patch of earth. It's amazing how good it felt to work in the soil with pretty, colorful flowers.

As the weeks have flown by, those containers are bursting with vivid hues of pink and red, yellow, purple and orange. A touch of white adds a purity that intensifies the colors. I smile each time I glance at them. It's not like we've never planted flowers before; it's just that each time we do it's a fresh new beginning all over again.

Sometimes it's like that in our spiritual lives, too.

Have you ever re-read a favorite novel? You remember some of the story line; but, along the way hidden treasures you've forgotten about pop up and bless you again.

That is especially true of Bible study. The Bible is God's living word. The more we nurture and water it, the more beautiful the blooms that are produced in our hearts. The truths revealed bring newness, freshness and a sense of satisfaction like no other book can do.

While continuing my

study in Beth Moore's Believing God, I'm making new discoveries. It's like those container plants that started out small and have grown and become fuller and more vivid.

When God's truth is planted in the prepared soil of the heart, you can be sure you won't be disappointed. Even while praying for things for which I don't yet have an answer, I'm learning to thank God for what he is doing that I cannot see.

I'm learning that when we are called upon to wait, God isn't still. But, sometimes we must be so that trust will develop. When trust is securely placed in the One who holds my life in his hands, who gives me my next breath; then waiting and hoping encircle trust and connect me to the Lord.

One of my favorite verses is Psalm 27:14, NKJV, where the Psalmist says, "Wait on the Lord; be of good courage, and He shall strengthen your heart; wait, I say, on the Lord."

As I walk with the Lord, my steps are buoyant with expectancy and anticipation. It's a fresh, new beginning. The springtime of my soul is blooming from the living water of his word and the "Sonlight" of in his presence. Selah

Jan Merop of Sebring is a News-Sun correspondent.

Cancer, you shouldn't be keeping secrets

Special to the News-Sun

Aries (March 21-April 20)

— Aries, although you may have your mind set on one outcome, it might be good to expect the unexpected this week. Keep your eyes and ears open.

Taurus (April 21-May 21)

— Think of this week as the opportunity to rest and recharge, Taurus. Schedule a family movie night or lounge in the yard instead of packing your schedule.

Gemini (May 22-June 21)

— Gemini, you have been thinking about getting into something creative, and your plans just may come to fruition soon. You just have to finalize some of the details.

Cancer (June 22-July 22)

— Cancer, keeping secrets doesn't often turn out well because sooner or later those secrets are revealed. Honesty usually is the best way to go in most situations.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 23)

— Beating the doldrums could involve some creative thinking, Leo. If you're fresh out of ideas, you can ask someone you are close to for some suggestions.

Virgo (Aug. 24-Sept. 22)

— Virgo, you are on the road to recovery from an issue that's been bothersome. This recovery is long overdue, but you will be stronger for having gone through these trials.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)

— Libra, it's good to go with the flow, but speak up for yourself from time to time, especially when something is important to you. Your

Horoscope

opinions count, too.

Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — Sometimes there is no shortcut to success, Scorpio. You just have to trudge through and hope that all the effort will be worth it in the long run.

Sagittarius (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)

— Sagittarius, someone is worried about you and this week you will recognize their concerns. Maybe the worry is because you have been out of touch for so long.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 20)

— Capricorn, when a new career path is presented to you, it may be difficult to decide whether you should make a move. Go with your gut and trust your instincts.

Aquarius (Jan. 21-Feb. 18)

— Those close to you are finding your more accommodating nature very appealing, Aquarius. This new attitude is bound to paint you in a new light.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20)

— Pisces, you have a huge support system in the way of family and friends. Expect them to rally behind you when needed.

Famous birthdays

May 6 - Bob Seeger, singer (67); May 7 - Taylor Abrahamse, actor (21); May 8 - Melissa Gilbert, actress (48); May 9 - Rosario Dawson, actress (33); May 10 - Kenan Thompson, comic (34); May 11 - Corey Monteith, actor (30); and May 12 - Kim Fields, actress (43).

In-laws' invitation snubs still rankle after 27 years

Dear Abby: I have been married to my husband, "Stu," for 27 years. His brother's family continues to send invitations addressed only to Stu. When they call to invite us to anything and I answer, they ask to speak to him. He has asked them not to do that.

When RSVPing to the latest invitation to our niece's graduation party - addressed only to my husband - I said that he would attend as he was the only one invited. I also asked if I had done something to offend anyone. I was told, "No, of course not," and they were "sorry if there was a misunderstanding," because the invite was for the whole family.

When we see each other, they are polite. I feel that pushing the point or not attending would reflect badly on me. What do you suggest? I am hurt by years of this treatment, and Stu is just as offended.

— Had Enough in New Hampshire

Dear Had Enough: Either your brother-in-law and his family never learned how to properly address an invitation (i.e., "Mr. and Mrs." or "and family"), or



Dear Abby

on some emotional level you were never accepted as a full-fledged family member. As I see it, you have two choices: Continue to attend these events as you have for the past 27 years, or both of you decline and tell them exactly why.

Dear Abby: My 17-year-old daughter, "Corey," is in a two-year relationship with "Greg," who's 19 and in the Naval Academy at Annapolis. They have exchanged promise rings and agreed to make this long-distance relationship work. She went to visit him for Thanksgiving and he came home for Christmas. He also returned for spring break. He takes advantage of every opportunity to see Corey.

We live in California and Corey is a junior in high school. Prom is almost here, and Greg has told her he

doesn't want her to miss out on anything. I feel she should not go with anyone else - that it's a sacrifice you make when you have a boyfriend. Well, she accepted an invitation from a guy "friend" and Greg said he was fine with it. I sent Greg a text message, and he repeated that sentiment.

I believe Greg was thinking she wouldn't actually go to the prom and he was just trying to be nice, hoping she'd make the better decision. I am stressed that this may ruin her relationship and she'll be devastated. What's the etiquette? Is it OK for her to go to the prom with a friend, even if she has a boyfriend?

— Only Wants the Best For Her

Dear Only: If your daughter cleared it with her boyfriend and he said he's fine with it, then it's all right for her to go to the prom. I'm more concerned that you took it upon yourself to text your daughter's boyfriend to "double-check." Greg appears to be a mature, confident and stable young man. If you'll stop trying to run interference for your daughter and let the relationship

continue to evolve naturally, the romance might actually pan out.

Write Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069. What teens need to know about sex, drugs, AIDS and getting along with peers and parents is in "What Every Teen Should Know." Send your name and mailing address, plus check or money order for \$7 (U.S. funds) to: Dear Abby, Teen Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, IL 61054-0447.

Actor Gary Sinise supporting veterans in Ill.

LISLE, Ill. (AP) — Hollywood actor Gary Sinise is helping promote a summer concert in suburban Chicago that will benefit veterans.

The "Forrest Gump" star helped kickoff ticket sales for "Rockin' for the Troops" on Thursday at the Navistar headquarters in Lisle.

The concert is planned for July 21 in near-by Wheaton. Sinise is slated to perform with

his Lt. Dan Band, which is named for his character in the Oscar-winning movie.

The Daily Herald reports that proceeds will benefit Operation Support Our Troops America. The Naperville-based charity has raised \$2 million for projects benefiting veterans, including research on post-traumatic stress disorder and traumatic brain injury.

Sinise says "we all enjoy what the military provides for us."

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South Florida Community College's Student Support Services (SSS) TRIO students (from left) Vanette See, Kerry Mushrush, Jacob Jordan, Comforter Davis, Ana Cendejas, Yesenia Calderon, Amber Cherwonik, and Gregory Artrip receive Academic Excellence awards for maintaining a GPA of 3.5 or higher.

SFCC's TRIO program recognizes students

Special to the News-Sun
AVON PARK – South

Florida Community College's Student Support Services (SSS) TRIO program held an award ceremony on April 27 recognizing students who achieved academic excellence.

Students Katherine Fannin and Rose Josue received the Pressing Through to Excellence award.

"Katherine has overcome substantial personal obstacles to succeed in school and graduates this summer with a high GPA," said Vivian Scott, director, SSS TRIO.

"Rose recently lost her home in a fire, but even after that day, she's come to school with a positive attitude and continues to give to others."

"Everybody has been so helpful and encouraging," Josue said.

"I have a whole support system through the SSS TRIO program and from everyone at SFCC. It's hard, but I just have to keep going and not give up. I've learned through this that I am a lot stronger than I thought I was."

Josue is a member of Phi Beta Lambda, the International Student Organization, the SFCC Honors Program, the Choir Club, and the Drama Club. Once she graduates from SFCC, she hopes to attend either Southeastern University or the University of Central Florida and then



Courtesy photo

SSS TRIO student Rose Josue receives the Pressing Through to Excellence award for overcoming adversity. Pictured (from left) Sandi Urmann, administrative assistant II, Student Support Services, Josue, Vivian Scott, director, Student Support Services, and Ricardo Pantoja, coordinator, Student Support Services.

enroll in medical school.

Students were also recognized for achieving 3.5 and higher grade point averages. Students recognized were Gregory Artrip, Angela Barrett, Ashley Blatt, Yesenia Calderon, Ana Cendejas, Amber Cherwonik, Josean Cruz, Comforter Davis, Carmen Espinoza, Claudia Garcia, Robert Gollihue, Amber Harris, Jesus Hernandez, Jacob Jordan, Fatima Lozano, Kate Matthews, Gladys Mejia, Rito Melendez, Noemi Molina, Kerry Mushrush, Laura Patino, Lenisa Ragoodial,

Vanette See, Stacy Westbrook, and Huifang Zhao.

SSS TRIO is a federal program that assists eligible students who are seeking their Associate in Arts or Associate in Science degrees and plan to pursue further education at four-year institutions.

The SSS program is open to students who are currently enrolled at SFCC and are first-generation college students (parents do not hold a bachelor's degree), meet federal income guidelines, and/or have a documented disability.

SFCC Career Academy students excel

Special to the News-Sun

AVON PARK – South Florida Community College (SFCC) Career Academy students celebrated their hard work and long hours of study during commencement on Thursday in the Theatre for the Performing Arts, Highlands Campus. This is the first year that Career Academy of SFCC students will walk across the stage at graduation to receive their occupational certificates.

Through the Career Academy at SFCC, high school students earn their high school diploma and work toward a vocational certification at the same time.

It gives students the opportunity to enter the workforce immediately upon high school graduation.

"The Career Academy helps reinvigorate students and inspire them to really want to be in school," said Jennifer Westergom, lead teacher, Career Academy. "The students really enjoy their vocational classes and the face-to-face interaction with their instructors."

Twenty-six Career Academy juniors and seniors will earn their occupational certificates in networking, dental assisting, cosmetology, medical assisting, computer electronics, air conditioning, culinary, or drafting.

"The seniors will be graduating with their high school



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Career Academy students participate in Ms. Preston's Math class.

diploma and occupational certificate." Westergom said. "The graduating juniors have the option of returning to their high schools for their senior year or enrolling in a different occupational certificate program at SFCC."

"The thing I like most about the Career Academy is the mixed environment of high school students and college students, because there are so many things that we can learn from each other," said Austin Foster, computer networking program graduate.

"By earning my certificate while I was in high school, it has helped me land a really great job and I continue to surprise people with how knowledgeable I am in the networking field."

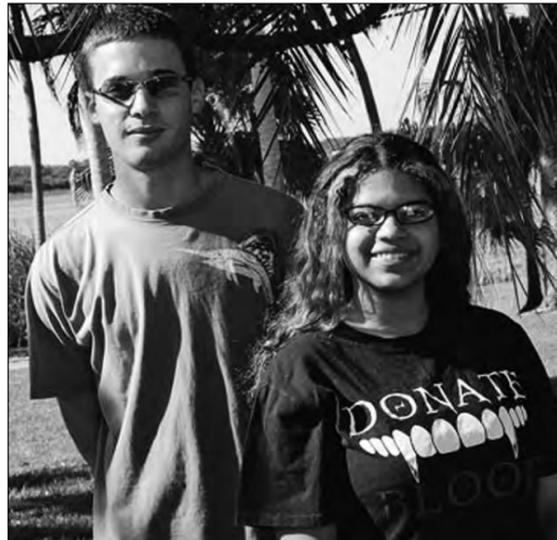
"I would definitely recommend this program to other students because it definitely helps prepare you

for the real world," said Shea Hubbard, culinary arts program graduate.

"This program has better prepared me for a possible culinary internship; if I would have pursued a career without this certificate I wouldn't know key techniques, such as food safety, that's so important in the culinary world."

"It is amazing that some of these students are graduating from high school and earning an occupational certificate at the same time," said Kevin Brown, dean, Division of Applied Sciences and Technologies.

"This is definitely a partnership that SFCC and the Highlands County School Board can be proud of."



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Austin Foster (left) and Shea Hubbard are two of 26 Career Academy students who graduated Thursday with their occupational certificates.

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SFCC students compete in cardboard chair competition

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AVON PARK – South Florida Community College's Technical Drawing II class competed in its annual cardboard chair competition on April 26.

The chairs had to be made only out of cardboard, could not weigh more than the student could lift, had to hold at least 200 pounds, and could not cost more than \$30 to make. Two teams of students participated.

The chairs were judged based on aesthetic value, comfort level, functionality, and blueprints.

This year's competition was the closest ever, with only one point determining the winner. Team SAT placed first in the competition with its rock chair.

"We designed it to be as strong as a rock with a lot of support and to resemble one too," Camden Harkins said.

Team members Harkins and Tony Barrera made the chair out of layers of cardboard as well as cardboard tubing and applied a rock textured spray paint to give it a more realistic look.

The second place team, The Traditional Thrones, created a toilet-shaped chair out of cardboard.



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South Florida Community College students Camden Harkins and Tony Barrera of Team SAT pose with their winning chair design.

Inspirational Thoughts & Scriptures



Inspirational Thoughts

by Patricia Valentine

Galatians 4:4, "But when the fulness of the time was come, God sent forth his Son, made of a woman, made under the law". The Bible is filled with examples of people waiting for God's promises. Abraham and Sarah waited for God to give them their promised son. The children of Israel waited in captivity for their deliverer to appear. David waited on God while he was being pursued by Saul's men. Israel waited for her Messiah, and the disciples waited for the coming of the Holy Spirit. We are waiting now for our blessed hope, the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ for his church. God always came through for those who waited on him. The promised Son was born. The deliverer appeared. Enemies were defeated; the Messiah was sent; and the Holy Spirit came. One day we who are waiting expectantly will be caught up in the clouds to be with our Lord forever. God is never late, and he never forgets his promise. David said, "Wait on the Lord; be of good courage, and he shall strengthen thine heart; wait, I say, on the Lord". Psalm 27:14. Don't give up on your promise. Keep believing God and it shall come to pass. **Be Blessed!**

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Vintage Hearts to rock at Highlands Hammock on May 19

“What can I say other than we are soul mates performing our favorite old country, rock-a-billy, blues, bluegrass, jazz and gospel music? We play current hits and some originals. We hope our audience enjoys our music and has fond memories while we perform songs of yesterday,” says Renee Riddle, lead vocals and fiddle player of Vintage Hearts. “We want our listeners to walk away with their hearts beating stronger, their minds wrapped up in memories and a smile on their face.”



Guest Column
Dorothy L. Harris

her beloved fiddle. Eddy Riddle plays lead guitar, harmonica and sings. Known as Rockin’ Rattlesnake Riddle, it was when he was performing with Eddy Riddle & Kickin Country that he met Renee at that county fair. Raised in South America by mis-

sionary parents, Eddy had mastered a whole slew of instruments before he returned to the states at age seventeen. He fell in love with the blues and studied music at College of the Ozarks. He later studied and taught classical guitar, but it’s his version of Lester Flat’s Great Big Woman & Little Bottle of Wine that is delighting audiences today.

It’s this wide variety of music, melting into one seamless performance that makes Vintage Hearts such a wonderful experience. This blend of tunes is now referred to as Americana and features all sorts of surprises.

Renee will wow listeners with her rendition of Orange Blossom Special and Charlie Daniel’s “Devil Went Down to Georgia.” “I’ve actually



Courtesy photo

Vintage Hearts will bring some old country, rock-a-billy, blues, bluegrass, jazz and gospel music to Highlands Hammock State Park on Saturday, May 19.

performed with Charlie Daniels on several occasions,” Renee gushes.

During “Rocky Top,” you’ll hear fellow band member Kathy “Bayo” Chewning picking her banjo and mandolin while Loretta “Ma” Woodson plays rhythm guitar. Kristin Jenkins rounds out the group on bass and guitar.

Together they are Vintage Hearts and at 7 p.m. Saturday, May 19 they perform at Highlands Hammock State Park. Bring your lawn chairs for this outdoor concert, which is just \$5 per person and benefits park

improvement projects. Accompanied kids age 12 and under are admitted free of charge and you’re welcome to bring picnic baskets or coolers.

Regular park admission of \$6 per vehicle is waived after 6 p.m. on concerts night, making this a very affordable evening out. Hope to see you there!

Call 386-6094 for more information or check out Vintage Hearts online at www.VintageHearts.biz/.

Dorothy Harris is a park services specialist at Highlands Hammock State Park.

Trophies and laughs await on ‘The Comedy Awards’

Associated Press
NEW YORK — The notion that TV viewers need another awards show may be laughable.

Exactly. “The Comedy Awards,” which began last year, celebrates the art of comedy. And this year’s presentation, which airs today at 9 p.m. EDT on Comedy Central, is a funny affair packed with masters of mirthmaking including Ty Burrell, Tina Fey, Chris Parnell, Maya Rudolph, Adam Scott and Jim Carrey.

Taped April 28 at New York’s Hammerstein Auditorium, the gala event salutes comedy achievements in standup, TV, films and digital.

Robin Williams gets the Standup Icon Award.

Don Rickles is honored with the Johnny Carson Award For Comedic Excellence, presented by Jon Stewart and Robert De Niro (who demonstrates his own shortcomings as a standup, bobbling wisecracks such as telling Rickles, “I’ve always thought of you as a comedian and actor. But since we did ‘Casino’ together, I’ve come to think of you as, well, more of a comedian”).

“Rango” is the best animated comedy film. French actor (and Oscar winner)

Jean Dujardin is named best film actor for “The Artist.”

NBC’s “Parks and Recreation” is chosen as best comedy series, and its star, Amy Poehler, is named best actress, while FX’s “Louie” is the best sketch/alternative comedy series. Best club comic: Hannibal Buress.

Most of the two dozen categories were judged by 1500 working members of the comedy community, choosing from nominees selected by a board of directors comprising such names as Carol Burnett, James Burrows, Stephen Colbert, Budd Friedman, Conan O’Brien, Joan Rivers, George Schlatter, Jon Stewart and Lily Tomlin.

But several categories are left to the public, who, through airtime on Sunday, can make their picks on the Comedy Awards website to choose: the funniest person on Twitter; best comedy podcast; best comedy app; and best remix, mash-up or supercut.

The two-hour telecast begins with a bang as Chris Rock announces the year’s best comedy special, among whose five nominees, he jokes, “Three are funny. One used to be funny. And one was NEVER funny!”

Highlands Little Theatre presents ‘Doubt’ May 25-27

Special to the News-Sun
SEBRING — Highlands Little Theatre will present the 2005 Pulitzer Prize and Tony Award Winning Play “Doubt, A Parable,” by John Patrick Shanley for one weekend — May 25-27.

This will be the first stage play presented on the McCollum Stage in the Thakker Pavilion, which allows Highlands Little Theatre to present compelling theatre in a very intimate environment. The play has a stellar cast comprised of four of HLT’s finest actors.

Portraying Sister Aloysius Beauvier is Zenon award winning actress Tammie Pollard. Returning to the HLT stage after a long hiatus will be Zenon Award winning actor Jim Lanier, who will be playing Father Brendan Flynn. Playing the young innocent Sister James is Katie Zelenenki and Nelly Guzman Ford will be seen as Mrs. Muller.

The play is being directed by Pete Pollard.

So what is this play about? Why is a play set in a Catholic school in the Bronx in 1964 relevant today? There is no one better than the playwright to offer an explanation of his work. The following is an excerpt from the preface to “Doubt” writ-

First stage play on McCollum Stage

ten by John Patrick Shanley.

“There’s a symptom apparent in America right now. It’s evident in political talk shows, in entertainment coverage, in artistic criticism of every kind, in religious discussion. We are living in a courtroom culture. We were living in a celebrity culture, but that’s dead. Now we’re only interested in celebrities if they’re in court. We are living in a culture of extreme advocacy, of confrontation, of judgment and of verdict. Discussion has given way to debate.

“Communication has become a contest of wills. Public talking has become obnoxious and insincere. Why? Maybe it’s because deep down under the chatter we have come to a place where we know that we don’t know ... anything. But, nobody’s willing to say that.

“What is doubt? Each of us

is like a planet, there’s the crust, which seems eternal. We are confident about who we are but it is doubt (so often experienced initially as weakness) that changes things.

“Doubt is when a man feels unsteady, when he falters, when hard-won knowledge evaporates before his eyes, like you’ve gone the wrong way and you’re lost. Life happens when the tectonic power of your speechless soul breaks through the dead habits of the mind.

“Doubt is nothing less than an opportunity to reenter the Present. I’ve set my story in 1964, when not just me, but the whole world seemed to be going through some vast puberty. I have never forgotten the lessons of that era, nor learned them well enough. I still long for a shared certainty, an assumption of safety, a reassurance of believing that others knew better than me what’s for the best. But I have been led by the bitter necessities of an interesting life to value that age-old practice of the wise: Doubt.”

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Cee Lo Green performs at the halftime of Super Bowl XLVI in February.

Cee Lo Green says he's sticking with 'The Voice'

By RYAN PEARSON
AP Entertainment Writer
LOS ANGELES — Cee Lo Green says he'll stick with "The Voice" singing competition show "as long as it's fresh."

The rapper turned singer joined the show last year as coach and judge alongside Christina Aguilera, Blake Shelton and Adam Levine.

"I would like to think that we were irreplaceable, you know what I'm saying?" he said in an interview with The Associated Press. "But the truth of the matter is, we're still working-class artists and artists can be very fickle. I would like to be here as long as it's fresh and new and exciting and fun for me."

Green, 37, said considers the gig a "day job" and expects that NBC has plans in place should any of the judges decide to leave. But for now he's happy to continue "building the brand of Cee Lo Green" on the popular TV series, which ends its second season next week.

Aguilera's appearance on Maroon 5's hit from last

year "Moves Like Jagger" has led to further musical collaboration among the show's stars. Green said he'd recently recorded a tune with Aguilera and has been in discussions with Levine.

"And I have a song for Blake Shelton that I gave to him. And I'd like to do it alongside him. I'd like for it to be a duet," he said.

And what about a super-group featuring all four of the singers?

"Why not, man? Why not? Everybody's talented. Everybody's available and highly enthusiastic," he said. "I think everybody would be up for it, man, because it's a great idea."

Green was in a recording studio this week in Los Angeles finalizing a remix of the Meow Mix cat food jingle featuring the Persian cat Purrfect, which he often holds on "The Voice."

His first major acting role comes in this summer's remake of "Sparkle," Whitney Houston's last film.

WMA students give the Sun 'N Lake Preserve a helping hand



News From The Watershed
Corine Burgess

Ask any student if they'd rather be in a classroom or get outside and you'll probably get the same answer from most of them. Most kids

love to be outdoors and they learn more from hands-on experience than from any text book. Being outdoors and working with living things in their environment, students begin to understand how the natural world really works, and develop the attitudes, values and commitment needed to become good stewards of the earth.

Gordon Davis teaches at Walker Memorial Academy. He believes that getting students outdoors and learning by doing is a great way for students to understand and truly appreciate their subject matter. That's why he brings his science, ecology and biology students out to the Sun 'N Lake Preserve on a regular basis. It's their outdoor classroom and they love it.

On April 25, a diverse group of people got together to work, learn and have fun. The Preserve is in the process of a pine thinning project and, as a result, some of the bike trails are getting quite a bit of debris on them. A couple of the Highlands Pedalers Bike Club members, 18 Walker Memorial students, along with teacher Gordon Davis and facilitator Kaylene Walz spent the day cleaning up the trails. After a hot and hard day's work, they celebrated their efforts with pizza and later had a star party where they gazed at the heavens to study and reflect.

Upon their arrival, they broke up into three groups. One group was led by Gordon and Kaylene and the other two groups were split between Ken New and John Spain, bike club members. Each group went ahead of the other and met up at the end. Sam VanHook, forester and contractor for the thinning project, was also there to lend a helping hand.

Reshma Pinnamaneni was having a good time and said, "We are cleaning out God's living room. This is very fun and I hope the trail improves. I love the wildlife preserves and I have a special connection with them."

Working along side Reshma was Bin Ni who stated, "I really love this. It's better than a work out at the gym. I love to help with nature." And Bin must have been sincere since it was her birthday and she chose to spend it working the trails.

Nicholas Ruffini loves giving back to nature. "I like doing this where not so many



Courtesy photo
Walker Memorial Academy students Patrick Atiga, Nicholas Garcia and Neal Cordova along with Highlands Pedalers member John Spain and the thinning project's contractor, Sam VanHook, all worked together for some much needed trail cleanup at the Sun 'N Lake Preserve.

people see it but it benefits them in such an indirect way. I have been out here countless times. We have done fundraisers like races and other activities. We'll be out here until 11 tonight doing an astronomy project. We also collect flowers and press them and study them. We do weather studies. But we're also out here to have fun. These trips are crucial to all outdoor experiences educational and non."

Ken New was happy with his group of students. "They're a good group. They're trying to do a lot. Hopefully they'll be able to hang in there. They are doing a good job." One student in the group, Jonathan Tangunan said, "This brings back memories of summer Biology class. Mr. Davis brings us out here a lot."

Meanwhile up ahead, John Spain was working with his group of students. Neal Cordova was tired but happy to be out of school. Nicholas Garcia was grateful for the opportunity to get good exercise. He stated, "It feels like we're doing something good for the community. We're helping out with nature. I'd much rather be out here than taking a test. Mr. Davis isn't even our teacher any more, but we still volunteered to come out here."

Patrick Atiga said, "It's refreshing to be out here in nature and out of the classroom. This is hands-on experience and it's a good way to help people who come out here."

Every spring Gordon Davis brings students out to the Preserve to spend one or two days. He also has an Ecology summer course that uses the Preserve as an outdoor classroom along with a high school studies grades ninth through 12th six-week course. Gordon said, "Some of the activities we do include collecting, pressing and identifying wildflowers. Usually I bring 14 to

20 kids and they use watercolors to paint images of the flowers they collect. They love it. We also have team building challenges that help them to learn to plan. Once they do something and fail, then they know what it's all about. It teaches them to discuss the challenge with each other and figure out how to do something. It's all about communication and planning. We also work with the Global Learning and Observations to Benefit the Environment (GLOBE) program, which is a school-based science and education program that promotes and supports students, teachers and scientists to collaborate on investigations of the environment."

GLOBE participants work in close partnership with NASA, NOAA and NSF Earth System Science Projects in study and research about the dynamics of Earth's environment. According to Gordon a lot of data can be collected by students.

An example of some of the projects these kids are involved in are coring trees to look at the rings to determine age, drought conditions, rain

and other historical events that occurred in the area. They identify trees, measure height and biomass of the forest. Gordon said, "We put the data on servers and Environmental Scientists use that information. Our school is number two on the list of data collecting in the uplink, FSU is number one. We also partner with the University of Florida LAKEWATCH and collect data for Lake Lillian."

The students were an inspiration in their work ethic and attitudes. Each one was truly enjoying being out in nature and felt good about doing something positive for the environment. The Preserve certainly benefited from their labors and the bike club is happy with their beautiful, smoothly raked trails.

Thanks to all for the hard work. It's good to know that the earth's future rests in the hands of students like these.

Corine Burgess is and Environmental Specialist for the Highlands County Parks and Natural Resources Department. Guest columns are the opinion of the writer, not necessarily those of the News-Sun.

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Bus tour brings fake RI 'Family Guy' town to life

PROVIDENCE, R.I. (AP) — The fictional Rhode Island town of Quahog is coming to life.

The hometown of Peter Griffin and his dysfunctional relatives on "Family Guy" will meld with reality Saturday when a local tourism council sponsors a bus tour highlighting the Rhode Island institutions featured on Fox's hit show.

Fans will visit the real-life bar known as The Drunken Clam and drive past the downtown

Providence skyscraper off which the politically incorrect main character jumps in one episode because he's "immortal."

Kim Polson came up with the idea for the tour. She says she sees the show's Rhode Island roots as an homage to the nation's smallest state — and its quirks.

Creator Seth MacFarlane attended the Rhode Island School of Design, and writer Danny Smith grew up in Smithfield.

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AP apologizes for firing reporter over WWII scoop

By DAVID B. CARUSO

Associated Press

NEW YORK — In World War II's final moments in Europe, Associated Press correspondent Edward Kennedy gave his news agency perhaps the biggest scoop in its history. He reported, a full day ahead of the competition, that the Germans had surrendered unconditionally at a former schoolhouse in Reims, France.

For this, he was publicly rebuked by the AP, and then quietly fired.

The problem: Kennedy had defied military censors to get the story out. British Prime Minister Winston Churchill and President Harry Truman had agreed to suppress news of the capitulation for a day, in order to allow Russian dictator Josef Stalin to stage a second surrender ceremony in Berlin. Kennedy was also accused of breaking a pledge that he and 16 other journalists had made to keep the surrender a secret for a time, as a condition of being allowed to witness it firsthand.

Sixty-seven years later, the AP's top executive is apologizing for the way the

company treated Kennedy.

"It was a terrible day for the AP. It was handled in the worst possible way," said president and CEO Tom Curley.

Kennedy, he said, "did everything just right." Curley rejected the notion that the AP had a duty to obey the order to hold the story once it was clear the embargo was for political reasons, rather than to protect the troops.

"Once the war is over, you can't hold back information like that. The world needed to know," he said in an interview.

Curley, who is retiring this year, has also co-written an introduction to Kennedy's newly published memoir, "Ed Kennedy's War: V-E Day, Censorship & The Associated Press."

Kennedy, who died in a traffic accident in 1963, had long sought such public vindication from his old employer. His daughter, Julia Kennedy Cochran, of Bend, Ore., said she was "overjoyed" by the apology.

"I think it would have meant a lot to him," she said.

The German surrender



Field Marshal Wilhelm Keitel, signs the surrender terms for the German Army at Russian Headquarters in Berlin, Germany, May 7, 1945.

happened at 2:41 a.m. French time on May 7, 1945.

Kennedy was one of 17 reporters taken to witness the ceremony. He and the others were hastily assembled by military commanders, then pledged to secrecy by a U.S. general while the group flew over France. As a condition of being allowed to see the surrender in person, the correspondents were barred from reporting what they had witnessed until authorized by Allied headquarters.

Initially, the journalists were told the news would be held up for only a few hours. But after the surrender was

complete, the embargo was extended for 36 hours — until 3 p.m. the following day.

Kennedy was astounded. "The absurdity of attempting to bottle up news of such magnitude was too apparent," he would later write.

Nevertheless, he initially stayed quiet. Then, at 2:03 p.m., the surrender was announced by German officials, via a radio broadcast from Flensburg, a city already in Allied hands. That meant, Kennedy knew, that the transmission had been authorized by the same military censors gagging the press.

Furious, Kennedy went to see the chief American censor and told him there was no way he could continue to hold the story. Word was out. The military had broken its side of the pact by allowing the Germans to announce the surrender. And there were no military secrets at stake.

The censor waved him off. Kennedy thought about it for 15 minutes, and then acted.

He used a military phone, not subject to monitoring by censors, to dispatch his account to the AP's London bureau. Notably, he didn't brief his own editors about the embargo or his decision to dodge the censors. The AP put the story on the wire within minutes of his call.

To some of Kennedy's competitors, the scoop was a betrayal on the scale of Pearl Harbor. Compounding their anger, military censors continued to refuse to allow any other news organization to send their own stories, meaning the AP would continue to have an exclusive for a day.

"I am browned off, fed up, burnt up and put out," wrote Drew Middleton, a New York Times correspondent.

He called the suppression of the story "the most colossal 'snafu' in the history of the war." His newspaper followed with an editorial chastising the AP for initially boasting of a historic "news beat."

"If it was a 'beat,'" the paper wrote, "it was one only because Mr. Kennedy's sixteen colleagues chose to stand by their commitments."

Retribution was swift. The military briefly suspended the AP's ability to dispatch any news from the European theater. When that ban was lifted, more than 50 of Kennedy's fellow war correspondents signed a protest letter asking that it be reinstated. The military expelled Kennedy from France.

Condemnation also came from the AP's president at the time, Robert McLean.

"The Associated Press profoundly regrets the distribution on Monday of the report of the total surrender in Europe which investigation now clearly discloses was distributed in advance of authorization by Supreme Allied Headquarters," he said in a public statement on May 10.

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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 6:30 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; Charlie Parish, associate pastor/youth and families; Joy Loomis, music director; Rev. Johnattan Soltero, Hispanic pastor. 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; 6 p.m. evening worship. Wednesday schedule: 5:15 p.m. supper; 6 p.m. Bible Study and Prayer; 6:30 p.m. Adult Choir Practice; 6 p.m. children's choir rehearsals; 7 p.m. mission programs. Hispanic Services: Sunday school at 9:30 a.m., worship service at 11 a.m. and evening worship at 7 p.m. Wednesday Bible study at 7 p.m. Call 453-6681 for details.

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■ **First Baptist Church of Lake Placid**, Knowing God's Heart and Sharing God's Hope, 119 E. Royal Palm St., Lake Placid, FL 33852 (863) 465-3721. Website: www.fbclp.com. Email: information@fbclp.com. 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 at 6 p.m. Wednesday Activities: Family dinner at 5 p.m. (\$4 per person, reservations required). Prayer meeting, Youth Intersections, and MaxKidz Extreme meet at 6:15 p.m. The church is at 119 E. Royal Palm St., Lake Placid. For information, call 465-3721 or go to www.fbclp.com.

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a.m.; Blended Service, 10:30 a.m.; Mision Buatista 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.

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■ **Maranatha Baptist Church (GARBC)**, 35 Maranatha Blvd., Sebring, FL 33870 (A half mile east of Highlands Avenue on Arbucl 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.

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■ **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; fax, 385-5169; email, office@stcathe.com; website, www.stcathe.com. Very Rev. José González, V.F., frjose@stcathe.com; Parochial Vicar, Rev. Victor Cavedes, 385-3993; Assisting Priest (retired), Rev. J. Peter Sheehan; Deacons, Rev. Mr. James R. McGarry and Rev. Mr. Max M. Severe. Parish office hours, 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Monday-Friday. CONFESION: First Friday 7:15-7:45 a.m.; Saturday 3-3:45 p.m.; Or by appointment with any priest.

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■ **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

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CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

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■ **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.

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■ **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.

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BOOKS

HARDCOVER FICTION

1. "The Wind Through the Keyhole" by Stephen King (Scribner)
2. "The Innocent" by David Baldacci (Grand Central)
3. "Calico Joe" by John Grisham (Doubleday)
4. "The Witness" by Nora Roberts (Putnam)
5. "Crystal Gardens" by Amanda Quick (Putnam)
6. "The Lost Years" by Mary Higgins Clark (Simon & Schuster)
7. "Guilty Wives" by James Patterson (Little, Brown)
8. "The Shoemaker's Wife" by Adriana Trigiani (Harper)
9. "Unnatural Acts" by Stuart Woods (Putnam)
10. "Sacre Bleu: A comedy d'Art" by christopher Moore (Morrow)
11. "The Limpopo Academy of Private Detection: No 1. Ladies Detective Agency" by Alexander McCall Smith (Pantheon)
12. "A Dance with Dragons" by George R.R. Martin (Bantam)
13. "Into the Dreaming" by Karen Marie Moning (Delacorte)
14. "Come Home" by Lisa Scottoline (St. Martin's)
15. "What Doesn't Kill You" by Iris Johansen (St. Martin's)

PUBLISHER'S WEEKLY BEST-SELLERS

HARDCOVER NONFICTION

1. "Drift" by Rachel Maddow (Crown)
2. "Lots of Candles, Plenty of Cake" by Anna Quindlen (Random House)
3. "Prague Winter" by Madeleine Albright (Harper)
4. "The Pioneer Woman Cooks: Food from My Frontier" by Ree Drummond (William Morrow Cookbooks)
5. "Imagine" by Jonah Lehrer (Houghton Mifflin Harcourt)
6. "The Blood Sugar Solution" by Mark Hyman, M.D. (Little, Brown)
7. "The Presidents Club" by Nancy Gibbs & Michael Duffy (Simon & Schuster)
8. "Weeknights with Giada" by Giada De Laurentiis (Clarkson Potter)
9. "The 17 Day Diet" by Dr. Mike Moreno (Free Press)
10. "Let's Pretend That This Never Happened" by Jenny Lawson (Putnam/Amy Einhorn)
11. "The Laptop Millionaire" by Mark Anastasi (Wiley)
12. "Killing Lincoln" by Bill O'Reilly & Martin Dugard (Holt)

13. "Vegan Cooking for Carnivores" by Roberto Martin (Grand Central)
14. "The Power of Habit" by Charles Duhigg (Random House)
15. "Worth Every Penny" by Sarah Petty & Erin Verbeck (Greenleaf)

MASS MARKET PAPERBACKS

1. "The Lucky One" by Nicholas Sparks (Vision)
2. "Under a Vampire Moon" by Lynsay Sands (Avon)
3. "A Game of Thrones" by George R.R. Martin (Bantam)
4. "Sunrise Point" by Robyn Carr (Mira)
5. "The Fifth Witness" by Michael Connelly (Vision)
6. "Chasing Fire" by Nora Roberts (Jove)
7. "A Clash of Kings" by George R.R. Martin (Bantam)
8. "The Affair" by Lee Child (Del Ray)
9. "Mystery" by Jonathan Kellerman (Bellantine)
10. "Abraham Lincoln: Vampire Hunter" by Seth Grahame-Smith (Grand Central



11. "I'll Walk Alone" by Mary Higgins Clark (Pocket)
12. "Tricked" by Kevin Hearne (Del Ray)
13. "The Girl Who Kicked the Hornet's Nest" by Stieg Larsson (Vintage)
14. "The Postcard Killers" by James Patterson & Lisa Marklund (Vision)
15. "All for You" by Lynn Kurland (Jove)

TRADE PAPERBACKS

1. "Fifty Shades of Grey" by E.L. James (Vintage)
2. "Fifty Shades Darker" by E.L. James (Vintage)

PLACES TO WORSHIP

EPISCOPAL

■ **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 p.m. Child care available at the 8 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Sunday service. Come see what makes us different.

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■ **The Way Church EFCA**, 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: 273-3674. Email: thewaychurch@hotmail.com. Web site: www.TheWayChurch.org

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 Child Development Center, 385-3232. Rev. Gary Kindle, pastor. Traditional Worship service, 8 a.m. Sunday; Sunday Praise Worship Service, 10:30 a.m. Communion is served the first, third and fifth Sunday of the month. Sunday school and Bible classes: 9:15 a.m. Sunday. Worship service is broadcast at 8 a.m. on WITS 1340 AM each Sunday. Educational opportunities include weekly adult Bible studies. Faith's Closet Thrift Store (385-2782) is open from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and 9 a.m. to noon Saturday. All are warmly welcome in the Family of Faith.

■ **Good Shepherd Lutheran Church (AALC) American Association of Lutheran Churches**, 3240 Grand Prix Drive, Sebring, FL 33872. James Weed, pastor. Worship Service, 10:30 a.m. Sunday. Bible Study, 9 a.m. Nursery provided. Social activities: Choir, Missions, Evangelism. Phone 385-2346.

■ **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 school at 8:30 a.m., Sunday worship at 9:30 a.m.. 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 9 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 p.m. Wednesday: Children ages 4 years through fifth grade, 6 p.m.; 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.; Sunday evening service, 6 p.m.; Wednesday Prayer and Bible Study, 6:30 p.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, lindadowning@live.com. Casey L. Downing, associate minister, caseydowning@hotmail.com. Church phone: 314-0482. Web site: 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 Church**, 106 N. Butler Ave., Avon Park, FL 33825.

Contemporary worship service is at 6:30 p.m. Saturday with Pastor Tiger Gullett. Sunday traditional worship service is at 7:45 a.m. and 9 a.m. Contemporary Sunday worship service is at 10:45 a.m. Nursery and children's church on Saturday nights and 9 and 10:45 a.m. Sundays. Breakfast and lunch menus at Solid Grounds. Senior Pastor is Bill Breylinger. Office: 453-3345. Web page at www.weareunion.org.

■ **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.

PRESBYTERIAN

■ **Covenant Presbyterian Church (PCA)**, 4500 Sun 'N Lake Blvd., Sebring, 33872-2113. A Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America. Sunday morning worship: Informal service, 8 a.m.; traditional service, 10:30 a.m.; Sunday school, 9:15 a.m.; evening service, 6 p.m. Wednesday evening Prayer Meeting, 6 p.m.; Children's/Youth Group, 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: 8:30-12:30 a.m. Monday-Friday.

■ **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 Tuesday; 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.; Tuesday: Grief Support Group, 1 p.m.; Youth Group (middle and high school), 3:30-6:30 p.m.; Wednesday: Adult Bible Study, 10:30 a.m.; Choir Rehearsal, 5:30 p.m. 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. Traditional Worship 9 a.m., Contemporary Worship 11 a.m., Sunday School for adults to grade school will be from 10:10-10:50 a.m. Wednesday evenings: Adult Bible Study (7 p.m.), Youth Group - (Middle and High School), (7 p.m.), RockSolid (Kindergarten through fifth grade) 7 p.m. Bible Counseling available by appoint-

ment, 699-0132. 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 Deacon's 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: avonparksda@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 Boling. 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:

3. "Fifty Shades Freed" by E.L. James (Vintage)
4. "The Lucky One" by Nicholas Sparks (Grand Central Publishing)
5. "Heaven is for Real: A Little Boy's Astounding Story of His Trip to Heaven and Back" by Todd Burpo, Sonja Burpo, Colton Burpo and Lynn Vincent (Thomas Nelson)
6. "Bossypants" by Tina Fey (Back Bay/Reagan Arthur)
7. "The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks" by Rebecca Skloot (Broadway)
8. "Abraham Lincoln: Vampire Hunter" by Seth Grahame-Smith (Grand Central Publishing)
9. "The New Jim Crow" by Michelle Alexander (New Press)
10. "Act Like a Lady, Think Like a Man" by Steve Harvey (Amistad)
11. "The Girl Who Kicked the Hornet's Nest" by Stieg Larsson (Vintage)
12. "Moonwalking with Einstein" by Joshua Foer (Penguin)
13. "The Vow" by Kim & Rickitt Carpenter with Dana Wilkerson (B&H)
14. "The Magic" by Rhonda Byrne (Atria)
15. "Caleb's Crossing" by Geraldine Brooks (Penguin)

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. Middle School Youth, 4 p.m.; High School Youth, 5:30 p.m. We offer Christ-centered Sunday school classes, youth programs, Bible studies, book studies and Christian fellowship. Church office, 465-2422 or www.memorialumc.com. Lakeview Christian School, VPK to grade 5; 465-0313. ■ **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.; Adult Sunday School, 11 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.

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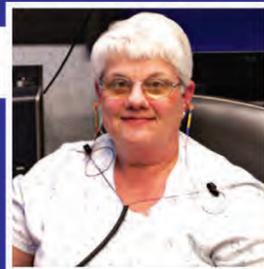


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News-Sun

Economy keeping lid on hiring

WASHINGTON (AP) — U.S. job growth slumped in April for a second straight month. It suggested an economy that is growing steadily but still sluggishly, which could tighten the presidential race.

A drop in the unemployment rate wasn't necessarily a healthy sign for the job market. The rate fell from 8.2 percent in March to 8.1 percent in April. But that was mainly because more people gave up looking for work.

People who aren't looking for jobs aren't counted as unemployed.

The 115,000 jobs added in April were fewer than the 154,000 jobs added in March, a number the government revised up from its first report a month ago of 120,000. It also marked a sharp decline from December through February, when the economy averaged 252,000 jobs per month.

The percentage of adults working or looking for work has fallen to its lowest level in more than 30 years. Many have become discouraged

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News-Sun photo by KATARA SIMMONS
Theresa Henderson browses through racks of gowns at the newly opened GB's Ladies and Men's Formal Wear shop. The bridal and wedding shopped is the newest addition to the Downtown Sebring businesses.

Bridal shop, wedding planner opens its doors on the Circle

By SAMANTHA GHOLAR
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SEBRING — Gorgeous gowns line the wall just inside the entrance of Ginibeth Henderson's new bridal shop in Downtown Sebring. Located at 207 Circle Drive, GB's Ladies and Men's Formal Wear is the newest addition to the Sebring Circle business family and Henderson is thrilled to be a part of it all.

GB's is a full service bridal shop offering essentials for any couple's big day — wedding gowns to tuxedos, linens to bridesmaids dresses.

Henderson opened her doors a few short weeks ago in the beautiful space just off the Circle. The shop itself feels "homey," as Henderson described it, and the wide open

GB's Ladies and Men's Formal Wear next step for Henderson

areas are perfect for big groups or wedding parties in search of attire for the big day.

Henderson, a former state's attorney's office employee, stepped away from the security of that job to follow a mission of her heart.

"I feel like this is the way the Lord was leading me. God opens doors you got to step through them and step out on faith," Henderson said.

Henderson isn't a newbie to the bridal and wedding planning business. She has worked as a wedding planner for the last 14 years as well as having a full time job.

"I started with a little online place at first now I'm moving on to this," said Henderson.

The shop and wedding planning are

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How to avoid being a bad roommate

For many people, having roommates is a natural transition between leaving their parent's house and buying their own home. It can be a great way to trim expenses and save for the future. But if you're not careful, cohabitating can also devolve into constant bickering over finances and dirty dishes.

Roommate tensions are not limited to strangers. When cash-strapped young adults return to the nest, or older parents move in with grown kids for financial or caregiver assistance, long-suppressed family grievances can erupt if you're not careful.

The key to living amicably with others is open communication. All parties must feel free to ask candid questions about their roommate's financial situation and living preferences. Schedule regular meetings to discuss household issues and air any complaints or perceived inequities before they magnify and sour the relationship.

Try to agree on living arrangement details before moving in together. If you're moving into an established household, make sure you understand and agree with how financial obligations and tasks will be divided. A few con-



Personal Finance

Jason Alderman

siderations:

- Whoever signs the lease is responsible for paying rent and meeting other legal obligations, so you may want to have all roommates sign the lease if possible.

- You may need the landlord's permission for a new roommate to move in. The landlord may want to run a credit check and may even ask that a new lease be signed.

- If one bedroom is more spacious or has a private bath, a 50/50 split may not seem fair. The same goes if assigned parking or other amenities aren't equitable. Calculate rent amounts together so no one feels slighted later on.

- Find out which utilities are paid by the landlord and which you'll split.

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BUSINESS

Bridal Shop opens on Circle

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Henderson's full-time gig now and she plans to go above and beyond for her clients.

"I've worked as far away as Fort Pierce and all the way down to Santa Bella Island," Henderson said.

In total, Henderson has planned nearly 100 weddings, making the shop the logical next step.

Henderson promises to provide full services to clients with some of the best designers in the business. Henderson's shop is currently the only carrier of Alfred Angelo designs in the county.

"I carry and push the Alfred Angelo dresses. He's a great designer and the dresses are the best. The best fabrics, the best colors, they are just like the ones brides see in magazines and now they can get them here," Henderson said.

GB's also carries Jasmine and Impressions Bridal designs. The shop also carries a variety of prom and special event gowns as well as tuxedos.

"People can come in here and be able to get what they want. I can provide everything. Florists, photographers, I have been doing bridal planning for a long time and I have kept good relationships with many people," Henderson said.

The goal behind GB's is to provide affordable, convenient services to the community.

"You have to run your business as a Christian. I realize that people are having



News-Sun photo by KATARA SIMMONS
Brides now have a place to shop with the opening of Ginibeth Henderson's new bridal and wedding shop, GB's Ladies and Men's Formal Wear in Downtown Sebring.

a hard time. I carry Alfred Angelo but I also carry the less expensive lines. I want it to be affordable and I want everyone to have a pretty wedding," Henderson said.

Henderson plans to get the ball rolling on the expansion of her business by adding linen rental and sales in the upstairs section of GB's. Right now, however, Henderson is focused on providing gowns for any occasion, especially local high school proms.

GB's has several magazines and catalogs available for clients and customers to view when choosing a special gown. Henderson is able to

have customers view their intended purchase in the shop and have the order shipped right to the shop.

Henderson also works closely with a local seamstress to provide any alteration needs.

"I'm here because I want to take the stress away from the bride so that she can enjoy the experience with her loved ones and her family," Henderson said. "I love meeting new people and providing a service to them, that's the best part of the job."

GB's is open from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. weekdays and by appointment. Call 873-1858.

How to be a good roommate

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Consider usage levels: Say one roommate works from home and runs the heat all day, or another never watches TV or uses the Internet.

- Some people are territorial about their food, especially when budgets are tight. Decide whether you'll go in together on groceries, cleaning supplies and other household items or each buy your own, and set rules for replacing used items.

- Many landlords (and utilities) will only accept a single check, so it's up to everyone to settle up and pay each monthly bill on time. Spread the risk by putting each utility in a different person's name.

- Each roommate should carry their own renters insurance; otherwise your possessions and liability aren't covered in case of theft or accident.

- If your place needs common area furniture or appliances, it may be simpler to buy pieces individually - and keep the receipts - so when you move there's no question of ownership.

- Inevitably, your possessions will get mixed in together. To make it easier when your household eventually disbands, make an inventory of who owns what.

You may want to draft a roommate agreement that establishes household rules and duties. In addition to the billing and cost-sharing information outlined above, also include details such as:

- Rules for recovering your share of the security deposit.

- Rules governing pets, houseguests, parties, noise, smoking, alcohol and other potential disagreements.

- Housecleaning schedule and responsibilities.

- Agreement about how to handle damages caused by roommates or their guests.

- Move-out procedures, including how much notice is required and who is responsible for finding the new tenant.

Jason Alderman directs Visa's financial education programs.

Chapman & Morris Accounting opens



Courtesy photo
Community leaders and Lake Placid Chamber of Commerce officials showed up April 30 for the ribbon cutting ceremony and grand opening of the Chapman & Morris Accounting, 150 Dal Hall Blvd. Attending were (from left) Dili Campbell, Blanche Peragine, Justin Morris, Brooke Chapman, Braelyn Chapman, partner Jenifer Morris, partner Marie Chapman, Trish Matthews, and Eileen May, Lake Placid Chamber director.

Modest economy keeps hiring levels from increasing

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about their prospects.

Over time, strong economic growth is vital for strong job growth.

But early this year, hiring accelerated much faster than economic growth did. Job gains averaged a strong 229,000 in the first three months. By contrast, the economy grew at a sluggish annual rate of 2.2 percent.

Economists began to wonder: Would growth catch up with hiring? Or would hiring slow to match economic growth as measured by gross domestic product, or GDP?

Some analysts say April's disappointing job growth suggests an answer, and it's not a cheerful one:

"It now appears that jobs have decelerated into line with GDP, rather than GDP accelerating to catch up with jobs," said Nigel Gault, an economist at IHS Global Insight.

The job market seems to look better with hindsight.

The Labor Department has revised job growth upward for 10 straight months - and for 18 of the past 21. Over the past 10 months, it's added 413,000 jobs to the original estimates.

The job figures are revised twice. They're updated in the two months after they first come out. And they're revised again in an annual update.

History shows that the updated totals typically follow the trend in job creation: When the economy is creating jobs consistently, the revisions tend to be positive. Months of job losses typical-

ly lead to negative revisions.

A falling unemployment rate would seem to be good news for President Barack Obama's re-election hopes. Dating to 1956, no incumbent president has lost when unemployment fell in the two years leading to an election.

On Election Day, unemployment will almost surely be less than it was two years earlier: 9.8 percent in November 2010.

But for the past two months, the rate has fallen for the wrong reason: More than 500,000 Americans have stopped looking for jobs and are no longer counted as unemployed. Job growth averaged a healthy 252,000 from December through February. It slowed to an average of 135,000 in March and April.

The question is whether voters will focus more on the falling unemployment rate (good for Obama) or the modest job growth (not so good).

Mitt Romney seized on the latter. He noted that the

declining number of people seeking work explains the drop in the unemployment rate.

"This is way off from what should be happening in a normal recovery," Romney said on Fox & Friends. "You have more people dropping out of the work force than you have getting jobs."

"This is not progress," Romney said.

The percentage of Americans 16 and older working or looking for work is now 63.6 percent, the lowest since 1981.

For men, the so-called "labor force participation rate" is 70 percent. That's the lowest since the government started keeping records in 1948.

The rate peaked at 67.3 percent in early 2000 after women had poured into the work force over the previous four decades. Since then, it's turned south.

Demographic and social trends help explain the drop: Baby boomers are aging and retiring.



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PROPER SPENDING OR TAXPAYER WASTE?

By Roberta Peck - for Superintendent of Schools • (25% of my salary will be donated to our Schools)

I wrote the 'School Energy Hog Needs Diet' letter which appeared as a letter to the editor two years ago. I only focused at the school waste at my school, HGMS. Last year I was told by Superintendent Cox that the procedures I suggested had already saved over \$300,000. However, regarding electrical waste, here is an update on what voters still need to ask.

1. Why does one school, Hill-Gustat Middle School still have outside walkways being heated and air conditioned through outside overhead vents (As of April 29, 2012, Superintendent Cox has been provided with this information). Las Vegas casinos are designed to have such outdoor walkway air-conditioning vents because the energy from the Hoover Dam is virtually free. Teachers have been asked to crawl under desks to unplug and re-plugs computers, while most are unaware of this major money drain.

2. Why is it that HGMS is still lit up like the Arc-of-the-Covenant at night with 'architectural lighting'? I am not talking about the large goose neck security lights. The school is as secure as Fort Knox with motion detectors and cameras everywhere. It is fenced with a literal moat in front, where an alligator used to live. I am talking about the type of decorative architectural lights multi-million dollar homes are dolled up with. This waste can be seen glowing from nearly a mile down Cougar Ave. As the art teacher there (now retired), I know that no one at the school can control these major problems including Principal Doty. Everything is controlled from the county office.

3. Regrading raising property taxes, taxpayers need to ask such questions: Why does HGMS have a heated and cooled gym when sister schools Sebring Middle and Avon Park Middle have always operated without air conditioned gymnasiums? Does choosing to spend taxpayer money on air conditioning for gymnasiums create a perfect environment for students? I don't know about how students at Lake Placid Middle experience their AIR-CONDITIONED gym, but students at Hill-Gustat Middle, as of this year still complain about the gym being freezing cold, preferring to go outside for P.E. When I taught at SMS coaches opened doors and used two large 4' fans on rollers to create cross ventilation.

4. With 16.3 million less to operate out of than in 2007, AC is now being turned off when schools are closed, with the reappearance of the 'mystery mold'. The mold problem throughout our schools occurred when the Assistant Superintendent to Wally Cox (prior to Rodney Hollinger) had all the carpets cleaned at the end of the school year, followed by closing down buildings. These wet carpets mildewed. When schools opened this carpet mold was pulled through the AC units. The solution decided on was: Remove all carpeting and replace with hard surfaces, and (2) keep AC units running full-tilt endlessly - weekends, holidays, all summer to keep mold spores from multiplying inside the AC Units, at a cost in millions over the years. However, mold is like toenail fungus, hard to get rid of once established. My research found that UV lights in air handling units kill bacteria and spores, also fans and strategically placed dehumidifiers discourage mold growth when units are turned off. Continued lack of proper procedures in air-conditioning will only set our broke school system up for future costly litigation if Legionnaires Disease spores develop and start bellowing out the vents. Awareness leads to refinements in cost saving solutions.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA
 CASE NO.: 2012-209 -CICI
 DIVISION:
 HARDER HALL RESORT CLUB, LAKESIDE CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, INC., Plaintiff,
 vs.
 BILLY CUNNINGHAM, et al, Defendants.
 NOTICE OF ACTION
 TO:
 Cunningham, Billy and Roberteen Cunningham
 4911 W. 185th Court
 Country Club Hills, IL 60478

Dillard, George S, III and Renee B. Dillard
 311 Revolution Drive
 Peachtree, City, GA 30269

Farias, Mildred K.
 58 Shad Road W
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Flinn Enterprises, LLC
 Registered Agent: Thomas W. Flinn, Jr.
 Vero Beach, FL 32962
 Audrey I. Bulmer
 11888 192nd Avenue
 Big Rapids, MI 49307

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 245 Collier Road
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 PO Box 232
 Thomaston, ME 04861

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 PO Box 412
 Gatlinburg, TN 37738

O'Neal, M. Wells and Mary H. Wells
 310 Bynum Ridge Road
 Forest Hill, MD 21050

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose the Claim of Lien on the following described real property, located in Highlands County, Florida, to-wit:

Unit Numbers and Week Numbers in HARDER HALL RESORT CLUB, LAKESIDE II, A Condominium, according to the Declaration of Condominium thereof, as recorded in Official Records Book 735, Page 0082, in the Public Records of Highlands County, Florida.

Unit	Weeks
05	16, 18, 21
13	16, 50, 51

Unit Numbers and Week Numbers in HARDER HALL RESORT CLUB, LAKESIDE II, A Condominium, according to the Declaration of Condominium thereof, as recorded in Official Records Book 804, Page 0001, in the Public Records of Highlands County, Florida.

Unit	Weeks
16	24
17	27, 45
18	07, 16
22	20
24	12
25	32
27	15

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defense, if any, on the Plaintiff's attorney, to-wit:

ROBERT E. KRAMER, ESQUIRE
 555 West Granada Boulevard, Suite A-9
 Ormond Beach, FL 32174
 U.S.A.

and file the original with the Clerk of the above styled Court on or before May 29, 2012, otherwise a default judgment may be entered against you for the relief sought in the Complaint to foreclose the Claim of Lien held by the Plaintiffs.

WITNESS MY HAND AND OFFICIAL SEAL of this Court, this 19th day of April, 2012.

HIGHLANDS COUNTY CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
 By: /s/ Priscilla Michalak
 Deputy Clerk
 April 29, May 6, 2012

1050 Legals

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE 10TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA
 CASE No. 11-288-GCS
 DIVISION:
 HSBC BANK USA, N.A., AS TRUSTEE ON BEHALF OF ACE SECURITIES CORP. HOME EQUITY LOAN TRUST AND FOR THE REGISTERED HOLDERS OF ACE SECURITIES CORP. HOME EQUITY LOAN TRUST, SERIES 2007-ASAP1, ASSET BACKED PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, Plaintiff,
 vs.
 ADOLFO HERRERA-ALVARADO, INGRID GRAESEL HERRERA, Defendants.
 Notice of Action
 TO: Ingrid Graessel Herrera
 Residence Unknown
 If living: if dead, all unknown parties claiming interest by, through, under or against the above named defendant(s), whether said unknown parties claim as heirs, devisees, grantees, creditors, or other claimants; and all parties having or claiming to have any right, title or interest in the property herein described.
 YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose a mortgage on the following described property in Highlands County, Florida:
 LOT 69, BLOCK 260, OF SUN N' LAKES ESTATES OF SEBRING UNIT 13, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 9, PAGE 71, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.
 Street Address: 3432 SUNRISE DRIVE, 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 Steven J. Clarfield, Esquire, Plaintiff's attorney, whose address is 500 Australian Avenue South, Suite 730, West Palm Beach, FL 33401, within 30 days after the date of the first publication of this notice and file the original with the Clerk of this Court, otherwise, a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint or petition.
 DATED on April 19, 2012.

Bob Germaine
 Clerk of the Circuit Court
 By: /s/ Annette E. Daff
 As Deputy Clerk

Clarfield, Okon, Salomone & Pincus, P.L.
 Attorney for Plaintiff
 500 Australian Avenue South, Suite 730
 West Palm Beach, FL 33401
 Telephone: (561) 713-1400
 April 29: May 6, 2012

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA
 CASE NUMBER: 11-726 GCS
 HIGHLANDS INDEPENDENT BANK, Plaintiff,
 vs.
 FRANCES MAGGIO, an unmarried woman, if alive and if not, her unknown spouse, heirs, devisees, grantees, creditors, or other parties claiming by, through, under or against FRANCES MAGGIO, and all claimants under any of such party; PALISADES COLLECTION, LLC., a Foreign Limited Liability, as Assignee of Provider; AMERICAN GENERAL FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC. a/k/a SPRINGLEAF FINANCIAL SERVICES OF INDIANA, INC., a Foreign corporation; and, MIDFLORIDA CREDIT UNION I/k/a MIDFLORIDA FEDERAL CREDIT UNION; Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE
 Notice is hereby given that pursuant to a final judgment 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:
 The Property: 5301 Lake Haven Blvd., Sebring, FL 33875
 Lot 16, Block 32, LAKE HAVEN ESTATES SECTION TWO, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 7, Page 61, of the Public Records of Highlands County, Florida.
 Real Property Tax I.D. # C-01-35-28-030-0320-0160
 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 31st day of May, 2012.
 SIGNED this 26th day of April, 2012.

ROBERT W. GERMAINE
 CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
 BY: /s/ Annette E. Daff
 Deputy Clerk
 April 29, May 6, 2012

IF you are a person with a disability who needs 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 Court Administrator (941) 534-4690, within tow (2) working days of publication of this Notice of Sale; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call TDD (941) 534-7777 or Florida Relay Service (800) 955-8770.

WITNESS my hand and official seal of said Court this 24th day of April, 2012.
 If you are a person with a disability who needs 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/ Priscilla Michalak
 Deputy Clerk
 May 6, 13, 2012

1050 Legals

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 10TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA
 CIVIL DIVISION
 CASE NO.: 28-2011-CA-000307
 ONEWEST BANK, FSB, Plaintiff,
 vs.
 UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF MARY C. FERRELL, et al, Defendants.
 NOTICE OF ACTION
 TO:
 UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF MARY C. FERRELL, DECEASED.
 Last Known Address: Unknown
 Current Residence: Unknown
 YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for Foreclosure of Mortgage on the following described property:
 LOT 379, SEBRING HILLS, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 6, PAGE 2, 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 Marshall C. Watson, P.A., Attorney for Plaintiff, whose address is 1800 NW 49TH STREET, SUITE 120, FT. LAUDERDALE FL 33309 on or before June 12, 2012, a date which is within thirty (30) days after the first publication of this Notice in THE NEWS SUN and file the original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint.
 If you are a person with a disability who needs assistance in order to participate in a program or service of the State Courts System, you should contact the Office of the Court Administrator at (863)534-4686 (voice), (863)534-7777 (TDD) or (800)955-8770 (Florida Relay Service) as much in advance of your court appearance or visit to the courthouse as possible. Please be prepared to explain your functional limitations and suggest an auxiliary aid or service that you believe will enable you to effectively participate in the court program or service.
 WITNESS my hand and the seal of this Court this 30th day of April, 2012.

ROBERT W. GERMAINE
 As Clerk of the Court
 By: /s/ Torii Kopp
 As Deputy Clerk
 May 6, 13, 2012

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA
 CASE NO.: GC-09-001115
 BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING, L.P. FKA COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING, L.P., Plaintiff,
 vs.
 GERALD L. DUNCAN A/K/A GERALD DUNCAN; SYLVIA L. DUNCAN A/K/A SYLVIA DUNCAN; MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., AS NOMINEE FOR TAYLOR, BEAN AND WHITAKER MORTGAGE CORP., and any unknown heirs, devisees, grantees, creditors, and other unknown persons or unknown spouses claiming by, through and under any of the above-named Defendants, Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
 NOTICE is hereby given that the undersigned Clerk of the Circuit Court of Highlands County, Florida, will on the 24th day of May, 2012, 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 situate in Highlands County, Florida:
 LOT 11, GRAN-LORE RANCHETTES FIRST ADDITION, ACCORDING TO THE MAP OR PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 12, PAGE 76, 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 24th day of April, 2012.
 If you are a person with a disability who needs 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/ Priscilla Michalak
 Deputy Clerk
 May 6, 13, 2012

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 10TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA
 PROBATE DIVISION
 FILE NO. PC 12-118
 DIVISION PROBATE
 IN RE: ESTATE OF CRUZ F. SANTIAGO a/k/a CRUZ F. SANTIAGO, SR. Deceased.
 NOTICE TO CREDITORS
 The administration of the Estate of CRUZ F. SANTIAGO, deceased, whose date of death was August 1, 2010, and whose social security number is xxx-xx-8118, is pending in the Circuit Court for Highlands County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 590 S. Commerce Avenue, Sebring, FL 33870. The names and addresses of the personal representatives and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.
 All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.
 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 May 6, 2012.

/s/ Nidia Santiago
 NIDIA SANTIAGO, Personal Representative
 1940 Wallace Avenue
 Bronx, NY 10462
 /s/ Cruz Santiago
 CRUZ SANTIAGO, Personal Representative
 5 Greta Street
 Apt. 303
 West Haven, CT 06516

/s/ Marshal D. Gibson
 Attorney for Personal Representatives:
 Florida Bar No. 195977
 265 Church Street
 Suite 504
 New Haven, CT 06510
 203-562-8080
 May 6, 13, 2012

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 10TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA
 CIVIL DIVISION
 CASE NO.: 282010CA000073A000XX
 BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING, L.P. FKA COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING, L.P., Plaintiff,
 vs.
 DIPCHAND PANCHU; JANKI PANCHU; UNKNOWN TENANTS(S); IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY, Defendants.
 NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order Resetting Foreclosure Sale dated the 19th day of April, 2012, and entered in Case No. 282010CA000073A000XX, of the Circuit Court of the 10th Judicial Circuit in and for Highlands County, Florida, wherein BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING, L.P. FKA COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING, L.P. is the Plaintiff and DIPCHAND PANCHU, JANKI PANCHU 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 11:00 a.m. on the 16th day of May, 2012, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to-wit:
 LOT 15, BLOCK A, CLEARVIEW TERRACE SUBDIVISION, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 10, PAGE 42, 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 20th day of April, 2012.

Robert W. Germaine
 Clerk Of The Circuit Court
 By: /s/ Priscilla Michalak
 Deputy Clerk
 April 29, May 6, 2012

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 10TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA
 CIVIL DIVISION
 CASE NO.: 282010CA000073A000XX
 BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING, L.P. FKA COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING, L.P., Plaintiff,
 vs.
 DIPCHAND PANCHU; JANKI PANCHU; UNKNOWN TENANTS(S); IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY, Defendants.
 NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order Resetting Foreclosure Sale dated the 19th day of April, 2012, and entered in Case No. 282010CA000073A000XX, of the Circuit Court of the 10th Judicial Circuit in and for Highlands County, Florida, wherein BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING, L.P. FKA COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING, L.P. is the Plaintiff and DIPCHAND PANCHU, JANKI PANCHU 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 11:00 a.m. on the 16th day of May, 2012, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to-wit:
 LOT 15, BLOCK A, CLEARVIEW TERRACE SUBDIVISION, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 10, PAGE 42, 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 20th day of April, 2012.

Robert W. Germaine
 Clerk Of The Circuit Court
 By: /s/ Priscilla Michalak
 Deputy Clerk
 April 29, May 6, 2012

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 10TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA
 CIVIL DIVISION
 CASE NO.: 282010CA000073A000XX
 BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING, L.P. FKA COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING, L.P., Plaintiff,
 vs.
 DIPCHAND PANCHU; JANKI PANCHU; UNKNOWN TENANTS(S); IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY, Defendants.
 NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order Resetting Foreclosure Sale dated the 19th day of April, 2012, and entered in Case No. 282010CA000073A000XX, of the Circuit Court of the 10th Judicial Circuit in and for Highlands County, Florida, wherein BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING, L.P. FKA COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING, L.P. is the Plaintiff and DIPCHAND PANCHU, JANKI PANCHU 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 11:00 a.m. on the 16th day of May, 2012, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to-wit:
 LOT 15, BLOCK A, CLEARVIEW TERRACE SUBDIVISION, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 10, PAGE 42, 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 20th day of April, 2012.

Robert W. Germaine
 Clerk Of The Circuit Court
 By: /s/ Priscilla Michalak
 Deputy Clerk
 April 29, May 6, 2012

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 10TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA
 CIVIL DIVISION
 CASE NO.: 282010CA000073A000XX
 BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING, L.P. FKA COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING, L.P., Plaintiff,
 vs.
 DIPCHAND PANCHU; JANKI PANCHU; UNKNOWN TENANTS(S); IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY, Defendants.
 NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order Resetting Foreclosure Sale dated the 19th day of April, 2012, and entered in Case No. 282010CA000073A000XX, of the Circuit Court of the 10th Judicial Circuit in and for Highlands County, Florida, wherein BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING, L.P. FKA COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING, L.P. is the Plaintiff and DIPCHAND PANCHU, JANKI PANCHU 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 11:00 a.m. on the 16th day of May, 2012, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to-wit:
 LOT 15, BLOCK A, CLEARVIEW TERRACE SUBDIVISION, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 10, PAGE 42, 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 20th day of April, 2012.

Robert W. Germaine
 Clerk Of The Circuit Court
 By: /s/ Priscilla Michalak
 Deputy Clerk
 April 29, May 6, 2012

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 10TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA
 CIVIL DIVISION
 CASE NO.: 282010CA000073A000XX
 BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING, L.P. FKA COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING, L.P., Plaintiff,
 vs.
 DIPCHAND PANCHU; JANKI PANCHU; UNKNOWN TENANTS(S); IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY, Defendants.
 NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order Resetting Foreclosure Sale dated the 19th day of April, 2012, and entered in Case No. 282010CA000073A000XX, of the Circuit Court of the 10th Judicial Circuit in and for Highlands County, Florida, wherein BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING, L.P. FKA COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING, L.P. is the Plaintiff and DIPCHAND PANCHU, JANKI PANCHU 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 11:00 a.m. on the 16th day of May, 2012, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to-wit:
 LOT 15, BLOCK A, CLEARVIEW TERRACE SUBDIVISION, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 10, PAGE 42, 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 20th day of April, 2012.

Robert W. Germaine
 Clerk Of The Circuit Court
 By: /s/ Priscilla Michalak
 Deputy Clerk
 April 29, May 6, 2012

1050 Legals

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 10TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA
 CIVIL DIVISION
 CASE NO.: 28-2009-CA-001209
 BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING, L.P. FKA COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING L.P., Plaintiff,
 vs.
 JOHN ESTEVEZ; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF JOHN ESTEVEZ; UNKNOWN TENANT(S); IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY, Defendants.
 NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated the 24th day of April, 2012, and entered in Case No. 28-2009-CA-001209 of the Circuit Court of the 10th Judicial Circuit in and for Highlands County, Florida, wherein BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING, L.P. FKA COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING L.P. is the Plaintiff and JOHN ESTEVEZ, UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF JOHN ESTEVEZ and UNKNOWN TENANT(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 24th day of May, 2012, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to-wit:
 LOT 11, BLOCK W, SPRING LAKE, VILLAGE III, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 9, PAGE 54, 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.
 If you are a person with a disability who needs assistance in order to participate in a program or service of the State Courts System, you should contact the Office of the Court Administrator at (863)534-4686 (voice), (863)534-7777 (TDD) or (800)955-8770 (Florida Relay Service), as much in advance of your court appearance r visit to the courthouse as possible. Please be prepared to explain your functional limitations and suggest an auxiliary aid or service that you believe will enable you to effectively participate in the court program or service.
 Dated this 24th day of April, 2012.

Robert W. Germaine
 Clerk Of The Circuit Court
 By: /s/ Priscilla Michalak
 Deputy Clerk
 May 6, 13, 2012

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 10TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA
 CIVIL DIVISION
 CASE NO.: 282010CA000073A000XX
 BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING, L.P. FKA COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING, L.P., Plaintiff,
 vs.
 DIPCHAND PANCHU; JANKI PANCHU; UNKNOWN TENANTS(S); IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY, Defendants.
 NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order Resetting Foreclosure Sale dated the 19th day of April, 2012, and entered in Case No. 282010CA000073A000XX, of the Circuit Court of the 10th Judicial Circuit in and for Highlands County, Florida, wherein BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING, L.P. FKA COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING, L.P. is the Plaintiff and DIPCHAND PANCHU, JANKI PANCHU 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 11:00 a.m. on the 16th day of May, 2012, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to-wit:
 LOT 15, BLOCK A, CLEARVIEW TERRACE SUBDIVISION, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 10, PAGE 42, 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 20th day of April, 2012.

Robert W. Germaine
 Clerk Of The Circuit Court
 By: /s/ Priscilla Michalak
 Deputy Clerk
 April 29, May 6, 2012

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 10TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA
 CIVIL DIVISION
 CASE NO.: 282

1050 Legals

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO: PC 12-186 GCS
 SUN 'N LAKE OF SEBRING IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT, a special district and a public corporation of the State of Florida,
 Plaintiff,
 LONNIE L. ROSE a/k/a LONNIE ROSE and SARITA R. ROSE f/k/a SARITA R. CARTER, Husband and Wife, if alive and if not, their unknown spouse, heirs, devisees, grantees, creditors, or other parties claiming by, through, under or against LONNIE L. ROSE a/k/a LONNIE ROSE and SARITA R. ROSE f/k/a SARITA R. CARTER and all claimants under any of such party;
 GROW FINANCIAL FEDERAL CREDIT UNION f/k/a MACDILL FEDERAL CREDIT UNION;
 and
 ONEMAIN FINANCIAL, INC., a Foreign corporation, f/k/a CITIFINANCIAL SERVICES, INC., a Foreign corporation;
 Defendants.
 NOTICE OF SUIT-PROPERTY TO: LONNIE L. ROSE a/k/a LONNIE ROSE and SARITA R. ROSE f/k/a SARITA R. CARTER, Husband and Wife, if alive and if not, their unknown spouse, heirs, devisees, grantees, creditors, or other parties claiming by, through, under or against LONNIE L. ROSE a/k/a LONNIE ROSE and SARITA R. ROSE f/k/a SARITA R. CARTER, and all claimants under any of such party;
 3821 Palazzo Street, Sebring, FL 33872
 YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose certain bonded capital improvements and operation and maintenance assessments on the following property in Highlands County, Florida:
 The Property: 3821 Palazzo Street, Sebring, FL 33872.
 Lot 29, Block 019, Unit 02, Sun 'n Lake Estates of Sebring, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 9, Page 48, of the Public Records of Highlands County, Florida.
 Property Tax Identification No.: C-04-34-28-020-0190-0290
 has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to John K. McClure, Esquire, JOHN K. MCCLURE, P.A., 211 South Ridgewood Drive, Sebring, FL 33870, the Plaintiff's attorney, and file the original with the Clerk of the above styled court on or before May 14, 2012 otherwise a default may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.
 WITNESS my hand and seal of said Court on the 17th day of April, 2012.
 ROBERT W. GERMAINE
 CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
 By: /s/ Annette E. Daff
 Deputy Clerk

In accordance with the Americans With Disabilities Act, persons with disabilities needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact Court Administration at Highlands County Courthouse, 430 South Commerce Avenue, Sebring, Florida 33870; telephone (863) 402-6591, not later than seven (7) days prior to the proceeding. If hearing impaired, (TDD) 1-800-955-8771, or Voice (V) 1-800-955-8770, via Florida Relay Service.

April 29; May 6, 2012

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 10TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION CASE NO.: 10-799 GCS

CARRIE M. STOLPMANN, ESTATE OF ROBERT J. LEVISON, Deceased; and ROSE MARIE STOLPMANN, Plaintiffs, vs. LOUIS DE ANGELIS and CYNTHIA DE ANGELIS, his wife, and BOLLMAN'S ELECTRIC COMPANY, a Florida corporation, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45 "PLEASE PUBLISH IN THE NEWS-SUN"
 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to the Final Judgment entered in this case now pending in said Court, the style of which is indicated above.

I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash in the Highlands County Courthouse, 430 South Commerce Avenue, Sebring, Florida, at 11:00 A.M. on the 15th day of May, 2012, the following described property as set forth in said Order or Final Judgment, to-wit:
 Lot 5, Block C, of PLACID PARK LAND FIRST ADDITION, according to the Plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 13, at Page 2, of the Public Records of Highlands County, Florida.
 a/k/a 12400 S. Jefferson Avenue, Lake Placid, Florida 33852
 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.
 ORDERED at Sebring, Highlands County, Florida, this 18th day of April, 2012.
 BOB GERMAINE
 As Clerk of the Circuit Court
 By: /s/ Toni Kopp
 Deputy Clerk
 April 29; May 6, 2012

1050 Legals

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO. 28-2011-CA-000266
 WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A. AS TRUSTEE, FOR CARRINGTON MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST, SERIES 2006-NC3 ASSET-BACKED PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, Plaintiff(s), vs. WILLIAM H. HAUCK; et al., Defendant(s)
 NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45
 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Sale will be made pursuant to an Order or Final Summary Judgment. Final Judgment was awarded on April 24, 2012 in Civil Case No. 28-2011-CA-000266, of the Circuit Court of the TENTH Judicial Circuit in and for HIGHLANDS County, Florida, wherein WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A. AS TRUSTEE, FOR CARRINGTON MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST, SERIES 2006-NC3 ASSET-BACKED PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, is the Plaintiff and WILLIAM H. HAUCK; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF WILLIAM H. HAUCK N/A MARY RAMOS; UNKNOWN TENANT #1 N/A GLORIA URBANOWSKI and UNKNOWN TENANT #2 N/A RICHARD URBANOWSKI are Defendants.
 The Clerk of the 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 May 24, 2012, the following described real property as set forth in said Final Summary Judgment, to wit:
 LOT 358, SEBRING RIDGE, SECTION A, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 7, PAGE 46, 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.
 WITNESS my hand and the seal of the court on April 24, 2012.
 CLERK OF THE COURT
 Robert W. Germaine
 By: /s/ Priscilla Michalak, Deputy Clerk
 May 6, 13, 2012

1050 Legals

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO. 11-676GCS SECTION NO. Civil
 MIDFLORIDA CREDIT UNION f/k/a MIDFLORIDA FEDERAL CREDIT UNION, Plaintiff, v. CHARLES D. SMYTH; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF CHARLES D. SMYTH; MIDFLORIDA CREDIT UNION f/k/a MIDFLORIDA FEDERAL CREDIT UNION; 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.
 AMENDED NOTICE OF SALE
 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Final Judgment entered on March 6, 2012 in this case in the Circuit Court of Highlands County, Florida, the real property described as:
 Lots 21 and 22, Block 35, SEBRING LAKES UNIT 2C, according to the plat thereof recorded at Plat Book 7, Page 10, of the Public Records of Highlands County, Florida.
 Physical Address: 13304 W. Waterway Drive, Sebring, FL 33875-9672
 will be sold at public sale to the highest and best bidder for cash, on 15th day of MAY, 2012, at 11:00 a.m. at the Highlands County Courthouse, 590 S. Commerce Avenue, Sebring, Florida 33870.
 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 Court
 By: /s/ Annette E. Daff
 Deputy Clerk
 DATE: April 17, 2012
 April 29; May 6, 2012

1050 Legals

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO.: 28-2010-CA-000513 SEC.: Civil
 U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE, ON BEHALF OF THE HOLDERS OF THE CREDIT SUISSE FIRST BOSTON MORTGAGE SECURITIES CORP., HOME EQUITY PASS THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-1, Plaintiff, v. RONALD F. KELLY A/K/A RONALD KELLY; KEISHA SMITH; ANY 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; BANK OF AMERICA, N.A.; SEAN W. FIELDER; DAWN FIELDER; AND FINANCIAL INDEPENDENCE SERVICES, CO Defendant(s).
 NOTICE OF SALE
 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order Granting Plaintiff's Motion to Reschedule Foreclosure Sale dated April 19, 2012, entered in Civil Case No. 28-2010-CA-000513 of the Circuit Court of the Tenth Judicial Circuit in and for Highlands County, Florida, wherein the Clerk of the Circuit Court will sell to the highest bidder for cash on 15th day of May, 2012, at 11:00 a.m. in the Jury Assembly Room, Courthouse Basement, 430 South Commerce Avenue, Sebring, Florida 33870, relative to the following described property as set forth in the Final Judgment, to wit:
 THE SOUTHERLY 1/2 OF LOT 6, ALL OF LOT 5, AND ALL OF LOT 4, LESS AND EXCEPT THE SOUTHERLY 15 FEET THEREOF, LYING IN BLOCK 270, LAKE SEBRING SUBDIVISION, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 2, AT PAGE 16, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA, BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCE WHERE THE COMMON LINE OF LOTS 3 AND 4 INTERSECTS CLEVELAND ROAD; THENCE RUN NORTHWESTERLY ALONG CLEVELAND ROAD A DISTANCE OF 15 FEET FOR POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE RUN NORTHEASTERLY AND PARALLEL TO THE COMMON LINE OF LOTS 3 AND 4 TO THE REAR LOT LINE OF LOT 4; THENCE RUN NORTHWESTERLY ALONG THE REAR OF LOTS 4, 5 AND 6 A DISTANCE OF 130.50 FEET; THENCE RUN SOUTHWESTERLY ALONG THE CENTER LINE OF LOT 6 TO POINT ON CLEVELAND ROAD; THENCE RUN SOUTHEASTERLY ALONG CLEVELAND ROAD A DISTANCE OF 110 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.
 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.
 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:
 Office of the Court Administrator Phone: (863) 534-4686
 TDD: (863) 534-7777
 or (800) 955-8770 (Florida Relay Service), as much in advance of your court appearance or visit to the courthouse as possible. Please be prepared to explain your functional limitations and suggest an auxiliary aid of service that you believe will enable you to effectively participate in the court proceeding or service.
 DATED AT SEBRING, FLORIDA THIS 19TH DAY OF APRIL, 2012.
 By: /s/ Priscilla Michalak
 ROBERT W. GERMAINE
 CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
 HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA
 April 29; May 6, 2012

1050 Legals

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO.: 11-676GCS SECTION NO. Civil
 MIDFLORIDA CREDIT UNION f/k/a MIDFLORIDA FEDERAL CREDIT UNION, Plaintiff, v. CHARLES D. SMYTH; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF CHARLES D. SMYTH; MIDFLORIDA CREDIT UNION f/k/a MIDFLORIDA FEDERAL CREDIT UNION; 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 pursuant to an Order or Summary Final Judgment of foreclosure dated April 24, 2012, entered in Case No. 282010CA000103XXXXXX of the Circuit Court of the Tenth Judicial Circuit in and for Highlands County, Florida, wherein WELLS FARGO BANK N.A., AS TRUSTEE, FOR CARRINGTON MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST, SERIES 2006-NC1 ASSET-BACKED PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-NC1; UNKNOWN TENANT NO. 1; UNKNOWN TENANT NO. 2; and ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING INTERESTS BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST A NAMED DEFENDANT TO THIS ACTION, OR HAVING OR CLAIMING TO HAVE ANY RIGHT, TITLE OR INTEREST IN THE PROPERTY HEREIN DESCRIBED, are Defendants, I will sell, pursuant to Chapter 45, Florida Statutes, to the highest and best bidder for cash at the Highlands County Courthouse, 430 S. Commerce Ave., Sebring, FL 33870, on the 24th day of May, 2012, at 11:00 am, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment:
 GENERALLY DESCRIBED AS BEING A PORTION OF LOT 3, AND ALL OF LOT 4 AND A PORTION OF LOT 5, BLOCK 267 OF LAKE SEBRING SUBDIVISION, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 2, PAGE(S) 12-16, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCE AT THE MOST SOUTHERLY CORNER OF LOT 4, BLOCK 267, AS THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE IN A SOUTHEASTERLY DIRECTION ALONG THE NORTHEASTERLY R/W LINE OF AVALON ROAD ALONG A CURVE TO THE LEFT HAVING A RADIUS OF 1,623.02 FEET AN ARC DISTANCE OF 0.4 FEET TO A POINT, THENCE NORTH 42 DEGREES 32'37" EAST AND PARALLEL TO THE LOT LINE COMMON TO LOTS 3 AND 4, A DISTANCE OF 142.23 FEET TO A POINT ON THE REAR OF LOT 3; THENCE NORTH 48 DEGREES 37'58" WEST ALONG THE REAR OF LOTS 3, 4 AND 5, A DISTANCE OF 75.86 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE SOUTH 46 DEGREES 18'25" WEST AND PARALLEL TO THE LOT LINE COMMON TO LOTS 5 AND 6, A DISTANCE OF 139 FEET TO A POINT ON THE R/W OF AVALON ROAD, THENCE IN A SOUTHEASTERLY DIRECTION ALONG THE R/W OF AVALON ROAD ALONG A CURVE TO THE LEFT HAVING A RADIUS OF 1,623.02 FEET AN ARC DISTANCE OF 84.6 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.
 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.
 In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, persons needing special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact the Clerk of the Court not later than five business days prior to the proceeding at the Highlands County Courthouse. Telephone 863-386-6565 or 1-800-955-8770 via Florida Relay Service.
 DATED at Sebring, Florida, on April 24, 2012.
 ROBERT W. GERMAINE
 As Clerk, Circuit Court
 By: /s/ Priscilla Michalak
 AS DEPUTY CLERK
 May 6, 13, 2012

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IN THE COUNTY COURT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO. CC 11-646
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO. 28-2011-CA-000266
 WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A. AS TRUSTEE, FOR CARRINGTON MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST, SERIES 2006-NC3 ASSET-BACKED PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, Plaintiff(s), vs. WILLIAM H. HAUCK; et al., Defendant(s)
 NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45
 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Sale will be made pursuant to an Order or Final Summary Judgment. Final Judgment was awarded on April 24, 2012 in Civil Case No. 28-2011-CA-000266, of the Circuit Court of the TENTH Judicial Circuit in and for HIGHLANDS County, Florida, wherein WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A. AS TRUSTEE, FOR CARRINGTON MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST, SERIES 2006-NC3 ASSET-BACKED PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, is the Plaintiff and WILLIAM H. HAUCK; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF WILLIAM H. HAUCK N/A MARY RAMOS; UNKNOWN TENANT #1 N/A GLORIA URBANOWSKI and UNKNOWN TENANT #2 N/A RICHARD URBANOWSKI are Defendants.
 The Clerk of the 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 May 24, 2012, the following described real property as set forth in said Final Summary Judgment, to wit:
 LOT 358, SEBRING RIDGE, SECTION A, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 7, PAGE 46, 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.
 WITNESS my hand and the seal of the court on April 24, 2012.
 CLERK OF THE COURT
 Robert W. Germaine
 By: /s/ Priscilla Michalak, Deputy Clerk
 May 6, 13, 2012

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO. 11-676GCS SECTION NO. Civil
 MIDFLORIDA CREDIT UNION f/k/a MIDFLORIDA FEDERAL CREDIT UNION, Plaintiff, v. CHARLES D. SMYTH; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF CHARLES D. SMYTH; MIDFLORIDA CREDIT UNION f/k/a MIDFLORIDA FEDERAL CREDIT UNION; 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.
 AMENDED NOTICE OF SALE
 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Final Judgment entered on March 6, 2012 in this case in the Circuit Court of Highlands County, Florida, the real property described as:
 Lots 21 and 22, Block 35, SEBRING LAKES UNIT 2C, according to the plat thereof recorded at Plat Book 7, Page 10, of the Public Records of Highlands County, Florida.
 Physical Address: 13304 W. Waterway Drive, Sebring, FL 33875-9672
 will be sold at public sale to the highest and best bidder for cash, on 15th day of MAY, 2012, at 11:00 a.m. at the Highlands County Courthouse, 590 S. Commerce Avenue, Sebring, Florida 33870.
 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 Court
 By: /s/ Annette E. Daff
 Deputy Clerk
 DATE: April 17, 2012
 April 29; May 6, 2012

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO.: 28-2010-CA-000513 SEC.: Civil
 U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE, ON BEHALF OF THE HOLDERS OF THE CREDIT SUISSE FIRST BOSTON MORTGAGE SECURITIES CORP., HOME EQUITY PASS THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-1, Plaintiff, v. RONALD F. KELLY A/K/A RONALD KELLY; KEISHA SMITH; ANY 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; BANK OF AMERICA, N.A.; SEAN W. FIELDER; DAWN FIELDER; AND FINANCIAL INDEPENDENCE SERVICES, CO Defendant(s).
 NOTICE OF SALE
 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order Granting Plaintiff's Motion to Reschedule Foreclosure Sale dated April 19, 2012, entered in Civil Case No. 28-2010-CA-000513 of the Circuit Court of the Tenth Judicial Circuit in and for Highlands County, Florida, wherein the Clerk of the Circuit Court will sell to the highest bidder for cash on 15th day of May, 2012, at 11:00 a.m. in the Jury Assembly Room, Courthouse Basement, 430 South Commerce Avenue, Sebring, Florida 33870, relative to the following described property as set forth in the Final Judgment, to wit:
 THE SOUTHERLY 1/2 OF LOT 6, ALL OF LOT 5, AND ALL OF LOT 4, LESS AND EXCEPT THE SOUTHERLY 15 FEET THEREOF, LYING IN BLOCK 270, LAKE SEBRING SUBDIVISION, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 2, AT PAGE 16, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA, BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCE WHERE THE COMMON LINE OF LOTS 3 AND 4 INTERSECTS CLEVELAND ROAD; THENCE RUN NORTHWESTERLY ALONG CLEVELAND ROAD A DISTANCE OF 15 FEET FOR POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE RUN NORTHEASTERLY AND PARALLEL TO THE COMMON LINE OF LOTS 3 AND 4 TO THE REAR LOT LINE OF LOT 4; THENCE RUN NORTHWESTERLY ALONG THE REAR OF LOTS 4, 5 AND 6 A DISTANCE OF 130.50 FEET; THENCE RUN SOUTHWESTERLY ALONG THE CENTER LINE OF LOT 6 TO POINT ON CLEVELAND ROAD; THENCE RUN SOUTHEASTERLY ALONG CLEVELAND ROAD A DISTANCE OF 110 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.
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 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:
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 or (800) 955-8770 (Florida Relay Service), as much in advance of your court appearance or visit to the courthouse as possible. Please be prepared to explain your functional limitations and suggest an auxiliary aid of service that you believe will enable you to effectively participate in the court proceeding or service.
 DATED AT SEBRING, FLORIDA THIS 19TH DAY OF APRIL, 2012.
 By: /s/ Priscilla Michalak
 ROBERT W. GERMAINE
 CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
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 NOTICE OF SALE
 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order or Summary Final Judgment of foreclosure dated April 24, 2012, entered in Case No. 282010CA000103XXXXXX of the Circuit Court of the Tenth Judicial Circuit in and for Highlands County, Florida, wherein WELLS FARGO BANK N.A., AS TRUSTEE, FOR CARRINGTON MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST, SERIES 2006-NC1 ASSET-BACKED PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-NC1; UNKNOWN TENANT NO. 1; UNKNOWN TENANT NO. 2; and ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING INTERESTS BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST A NAMED DEFENDANT TO THIS ACTION, OR HAVING OR CLAIMING TO HAVE ANY RIGHT, TITLE OR INTEREST IN THE PROPERTY HEREIN DESCRIBED, are Defendants, I will sell, pursuant to Chapter 45, Florida Statutes, to the highest and best bidder for cash at the Highlands County Courthouse, 430 S. Commerce Ave., Sebring, FL 33870, on the 24th day of May, 2012, at 11:00 am, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment:
 GENERALLY DESCRIBED AS BEING A PORTION OF LOT 3, AND ALL OF LOT 4 AND A PORTION OF LOT 5, BLOCK 267 OF LAKE SEBRING SUBDIVISION, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 2, PAGE(S) 12-16, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCE AT THE MOST SOUTHERLY CORNER OF LOT 4, BLOCK 267, AS THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE IN A SOUTHEASTERLY DIRECTION ALONG THE NORTHEASTERLY R/W LINE OF AVALON ROAD ALONG A CURVE TO THE LEFT HAVING A RADIUS OF 1,623.02 FEET AN ARC DISTANCE OF 0.4 FEET TO A POINT, THENCE NORTH 42 DEGREES 32'37" EAST AND PARALLEL TO THE LOT LINE COMMON TO LOTS 3 AND 4, A DISTANCE OF 142.23 FEET TO A POINT ON THE REAR OF LOT 3; THENCE NORTH 48 DEGREES 37'58" WEST ALONG THE REAR OF LOTS 3, 4 AND 5, A DISTANCE OF 75.86 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE SOUTH 46 DEGREES 18'25" WEST AND PARALLEL TO THE LOT LINE COMMON TO LOTS 5 AND 6, A DISTANCE OF 139 FEET TO A POINT ON THE R/W OF AVALON ROAD, THENCE IN A SOUTHEASTERLY DIRECTION ALONG THE R/W OF AVALON ROAD ALONG A CURVE TO THE LEFT HAVING A RADIUS OF 1,623.02 FEET AN ARC DISTANCE OF 84.6 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.
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 In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, persons needing special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact the Clerk of the Court not later than five business days prior to the proceeding at the Highlands County Courthouse. Telephone 863-386-6565 or 1-800-955-8770 via Florida Relay Service.
 DATED at Sebring, Florida, on April 24, 2012.
 ROBERT W. GERMAINE
 As Clerk, Circuit Court
 By: /s/ Priscilla Michalak
 AS DEPUTY CLERK
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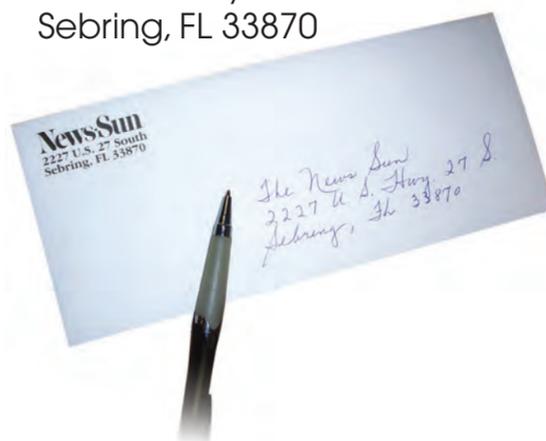
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News-Sun photo by DAN HOEHNE
Colton Brock gets in safely for the lone run Avon Park would score in Thursday's 5-1 loss to Tampa Catholic in the Class 4A Regional Playoffs.

Devils shut down

By DAN HOEHNE

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AVON PARK – The curtain closed on the 2012 Avon Park baseball season Thursday night, as the Crusaders of Tampa Catholic rode a strong pitching performance and timely hitting to a 5-1 win in the Region 3-4A quarterfinals.

Left-hander Luke Helms surrendered a lead-off double to left from Tyrone Perry in the bottom of the first, but would mix his fastball with a knee-buckling curve to quiet

the Devil bats the rest of the night.

After a Jorge Romero RBI single brought in the game's first run in the top of the second, Avon Park (18-8) answered in the bottom of the frame.

Catcher Anthony Caruthers took one for the team and gave way to courtesy runner Colton Brock.

Brock then swiped second on a pick-off attempt, stole third straight up and came racing home when the throw to third got away to even it

up at 1-1.

But Tampa Catholic (16-8-1) added three more in the top of the third off starter Lane Crosson and reliever Perry.

A single, two walks and a fielder's choice brought one in, before a smash glanced off the tip of Brad Torres' glove at first, trickling into short right and bringing two more runs plateward.

What then happened personified the difference in the

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As good as gold

By DAN HOEHNE

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It was all one could ask for as four Blue Streaks made the trek to Jacksonville for the FHSAA Class 3A Finals and all four came home with medals from Friday's competition.

Amid a field of representatives from more than 60 high schools throughout the state, the quartet of Sebring student-athletes all finished in the top eight of their respective events to make the trip pay off.

It all began in the pole vault, where the Streaks were represented on both the boys and girls side of the event.

Blake Fort was one of four girls to clear 10-feet-6, equaling her high water mark of the season, with the number of attempts sorting out the placements and placing Fort eighth and claiming her hardware.

Even more good news is that the top three finishers in the event were all seniors, giving the junior a chance to move up a few notches next year.

On the boys side, senior Colton Dillon was also among a few all clearing the same height, 13-feet-6, and tying him for fourth place and earning his state-level medallion.

Reaching this level of competition, qualifying out of districts and then regionals, to reach the state finals is a feat in and of itself.

But keeping ones' head clear and focused amongst the intensity of this ultimate level is another.



Courtesy photo
Donavon White won gold Friday, winning the Class 3A high jump at the FHSAA Finals in Jacksonville.

It even got to Taylor Tubbs who has been to state before and was in Jacksonville this year in two events – but an odd case of nerves got the best of her.

"After the mile I was just really dizzy and had to lay down for a while," she said. "I'm not sure why that happens to me. It was the same thing after state last year, and that was the only time."

"I was too dizzy to run the 800," she said. "I was really nervous and I guess it just got to me."

But Tubbs was able to keep herself steady enough for the 1,600-meter run and took seventh.

"The competition was awesome," she said. "The whole race I had a huge group of girls to run with and my splits were pretty consist-

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News-Sun photo by DAN HOEHNE
The ultimate moment of White's last high school athletic endeavor.



News-Sun photo by LAUREN WELBORN
Wyatt Johnson sets to tag a Tarpon Springs runner attempting to cross the plate in the bottom of the first. The Spongers had put up three runs before this one was thrown out by Kyle Cunningham in center.

Streaks struggle, Spongers succeed

By LAUREN WELBORN

News-Sun correspondent

TARPON SPRINGS – The transition from regular season play to regional quarterfinals definitely poses a different atmosphere on the field.

These are no longer teams that have been faced since the early history of the school, but rather teams from all over the state that little, if anything, is known about.

Such was the case as Sebring High took on Tarpon Springs Thursday in the Class 6A state playoffs.

This unfamiliarity as well as a few first-inning jitters may have been factors to ultimately seeing 4-0 in favor of the Spongers.

The pace started a little choppy for both sides of the field, working against the strike zone as well as the nerves, as Blue Streak Aaron Hart faced off against Spongers pitcher Michael Dunnigan, both walking the first batter of the inning.

However, Tarpon Springs capitalized on the shaky Streaks as soon as they could, seeing three straight RBI before center fielder Kyle Cunningham gunned a runner out at home to cease the cadence.

"We had a few butterflies the first inning," Sebring head coach Buck Rapp said. "I think after that Aaron settled down and threw a good game."

It wasn't until the bottom of the fifth that the Spongers squeezed in another insurance run while the Streaks struggled to find a gap in Tarpon Springs' defense.

"He was just throwing fastballs and the dice kind of fell his way today," said Cunningham of the Tarpon Springs pitcher. "We put the ball in play, just not at the right time and left a few too many men on base."

"I said it all year, I'm just so proud of this group of kids – I don't even call them kids, I want to call them young men," said Rapp. "We've had adversity throughout the season; we had to overcome this and that, especially this group of seniors."

"The work ethic, the blood, sweat and tears they put in for the last few years, I take my hat off to them and I'm proud of them."

Rapp gave his last post-game pep talk of his first year as head coach this night, capping off a successful season for the Streaks, who haven't advanced this far in tournament play in a few years.

"In the grand scheme of things, if this is the worst thing that ever happens to them in life, I told them 'you'd be the luckiest men alive,'" he said. "These younger kids, now they know what it's like to go to the postseason and hopefully they learn from this and want to build on it for next year."

Special athletes compete in tennis

Special to the News-Sun

AVON PARK – Special STARS athletes competed in tennis on Saturday, April 28, at South Florida Community College.

There were 22 athletes with disabilities who competed either in skill levels or doubles on the courts.

They practiced for two weeks with volunteers.

In doubles competition, the athletes played one set.

Shawn Squires and Nicole Lewis, both of Sebring, won against Eva Monk and Alex Lopez, also of Sebring. The game score was 6-4.

The skill level is designed to help teach the fundamentals of the game to players.

They are then tested on each skill such as volleys, serves and ground strokes.

The players are matched up against others who have

similar abilities and placed in heats.

In Heat 1, Greg Robinson took first place over Eddie Thomas who won second.

Both of the competitors reside in Avon Park.

In Heat 2, Franchesca DiMeglio, of Avon Park; won first, Mac Smith, of Avon Park, won second; and Joe Singha, of Sebring, took third place.

In Heat 3, Ilana Levey, of Sebring, won first; Angie Luft, of Avon Park, won second; Bill Wheeler, of Avon Park, took third; and John Davis, of Sebring, won fourth.

In Heat 4, Annie Horn won first; Jacqueline Furry won second; and Dustin Akey won third.

Each of the trio reside in Sebring.

In Heat 5, Sebring resi-



Courtesy photo
Special STARS volunteer Matthew Hutchinson (right) pins on a blue ribbon on special athlete Shawn Squires. His partner Nicole Lewis (left) also got a blue ribbon. Alex Lopez (right) won second.

dents Madolyn Anders won first, Bryan Bishop won second and Edrei Lopez took third.

All of the athletes were presented with ribbons during an awards ceremony after lunch.

Yankees closer Rivera says he will pitch in 2013

By DAVE SKRETTA
Associated Press

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Mariano Rivera sat on a chair in the corner of the visitor's clubhouse at Kauffman Stadium, his right knee tightly wrapped Friday night and crutches resting against a nearby locker.

In one declarative statement, the Yankees' closer put to rest any notion that he'd shuffle off into retirement after a devastating injury sustained the previous night in batting practice.

"I'm coming back. Write it down in big letters. I'm not going out like this," Rivera said.

The 12-time All-Star vowed he will return to the mound by 2013, despite hinting in spring training that this season may be his last.

He said he reflected on the injury at his hotel room in the wee hours of Friday morning before making his decision.

"I love to play the game. To me, I don't think going out like this is the right way," Rivera said. "I don't want to retire because I got hurt in the way that it happened. I don't think like that. With the strength of the Lord, I just have to continue."

Rivera tore his ACL and damaged his meniscus when his foot caught near the outfield wall before the series opener against Kansas City.

An MRI taken during the game revealed the extent of the injury, and Rivera dabbed tears from his eyes when he spoke in the clubhouse Thursday night.

He wasn't sure at the time whether he would return.

He was certain of it less than 24 hours later.

"Miracles happen," Rivera said with a smile. "I'm a positive man. The only thing is that I feel sorry I let down my teammates. Besides that I'm OK."

Rivera's decision was merely the start of an encouraging night for New York.

CC Sabathia pitched into the eighth inning and Derek Jeter belted a two-run homer in the seventh inning, helping the Yankees snap a three-game losing streak with a 6-2 win over the Royals.

"It's always tough when you lose the greatest closer in the history of baseball," Sabathia said. "That was the first time since I've been

here that I didn't have him out there."

Rivera spoke with New York Mets medical director Dr. David Altchek, who performed surgery on his shoulder following the 2008 season, and was told that he should be ready to work out again in about five months.

Rivera hopes that allows him to pitch by the start of spring training.

"You know, I just kind of had a feeling in talking to him last night that it wasn't the way he wants to go out," Yankees manager Joe Girardi said. "He still has to get through this rehab and we'll see where he's at, but Mo wants to do things on his own terms, and determine when he's done, and I don't think he wanted to be done because of an injury."

Rivera remained with the team Friday night in Kansas City.

He plans to return to New York this weekend before consulting with Yankees team physician Dr. Christopher Ahmad.

Rivera said he was touched by the outpouring of support he received after the injury — even Miami Heat star LeBron James mentioned the "freak accident."

There was a bouquet of flowers in the empty locker that adjoined Rivera's in the clubhouse, bringing a smile to his face.

"He's special," Red Sox manager Bobby Valentine said Friday night in Boston. "Hopefully he'll come back, even though he's with the bad guys."

Royals manager Ned Yost called Rivera "one of a kind," while Philadelphia closer Jonathan Papelbon referred to him as the "godfather" of their role.

"It's just kind of tough to put into words," Papelbon said. "It's just tough to see your leader, your idol — it's hard to even comprehend it or talk about it."

Longtime Yankees manager Joe Torre called the injury unfortunate.

"Even though he has a tall mountain to climb I think he still has a lot of fight left in him," said Torre, now the MLB's vice president for operations. "It's a testament

to Mariano's work ethic that he was injured while preparing for a game as he has done his entire career."

Rivera had lunch with Alex Rodriguez on Friday and spoke with Derek Jeter in front of the captain's locker when they arrived at the ballpark.

He planned to address the rest of the team before Friday night's game against the Royals.

"We need him around and we need his presence and his leadership," A-Rod said. "He promised me that he's going to be around as much as possible and I'm going to hold him up to that."

Jeter simply shrugged when he was asked about Rivera making a comeback, pointing out that he knew all along that his close friend of some 20 years would never be forced into retirement.

"Regardless of when he decides to retire or slow down, I think we're going to remember him for everything that he's done," Jeter said. "People aren't going to remember him for this. It's an unfortunate incident. Whenever he decides to do it, it's going to be the same story."

Girardi said that David Robertson and Rafael Soriano will close games the remainder of the season, though he seemed to indicate Robertson will get the first shot.

The 27-year-old Robertson emerged as a dependable setup man for Rivera, tossing 11 scoreless innings to start the season.

He's coming off a breakout year in which he appeared in 70 games with a 1.08 ERA, earning his first All-Star selection in the process.

"Very confident in Robby," first baseman Mark Teixeira said. "He's been so good for us in the eighth-inning role. He's got great stuff. He's got confidence. He's got the support from us and we hope to hand him a lot of leads."

The Yankees officially placed Rivera on the disabled list prior to the game, giving them 10 players on the DL — one fewer than the rival Red Sox.

In a flurry of roster moves, right-hander Michael Pineda was transferred to the 60-day DL, and outfielder Dewayne Wise and right-hander Cody Eppley were brought up from Triple-A Scranton/Wilkes-Barre.

Right-handed reliever D.J. Mitchell was optioned to Triple-A.

It's the first time that Rivera has been on the disabled list since 2003, when he missed time with a groin injury.

But the sting of the move was lessened by Rivera's declaration that he would resume his sterling career once his knee has been repaired.

"I thought he was going to come back anyways," Teixeira said. "I was one of those guys that didn't believe he was going to retire. He's still one of the best players in the game. It's tough to think at 42 he'd walk away."



MCT photo
New York Yankees relief pitcher Mariano Rivera returns to the team's clubhouse after talking with members of the media before a game against the Kansas City Royals at Kauffman Stadium on Friday, May 4, in Kansas City. Rivera injured his knee prior to Thursday's game and says he is planning on returning.

'I'm coming back. Write it down in big letters. I'm not going out like this.'

MARIANO RIVERA
Yankee reliever

AP freelance writers Alan Eskew in Kansas City, Mo., Maureen Mullen in Boston and Benjamin Standig in Washington contributed to this report.

Sebring Pool summer hours

Special to the News-Sun

The Sebring High School Pool will be open to the public beginning Tuesday, May 1, with availability Mondays through Thursdays from 6-7:30 p.m. and from 1-3 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays

Additional hours will be added once school is let out for the summer.

Cost is \$2 per swimmer, with family passes available at \$50 for first member and \$20 for each additional family member.

Other activities at the pool include Water Aerobics, which begin Tuesday, May 8 and meet each Tuesday and Thursday from 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Cost is \$2 per class, though with a summer pool pass, the cost is trimmed to \$1.

Swimming lessons are also going to be offered throughout the summer.

The first session runs from June 11-22, the second from June 25-July 6, the third from July 9-20 and the fourth from

July 23-August 3.

Cost is \$50 for each two-week session.

To register for swim lessons, come to the front office of Sebring High School beginning Monday, May 7, between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m.

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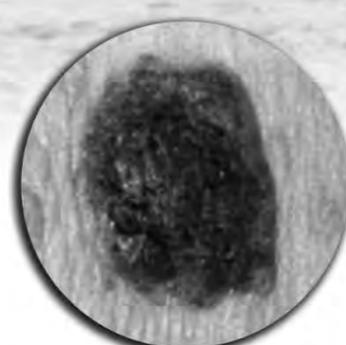
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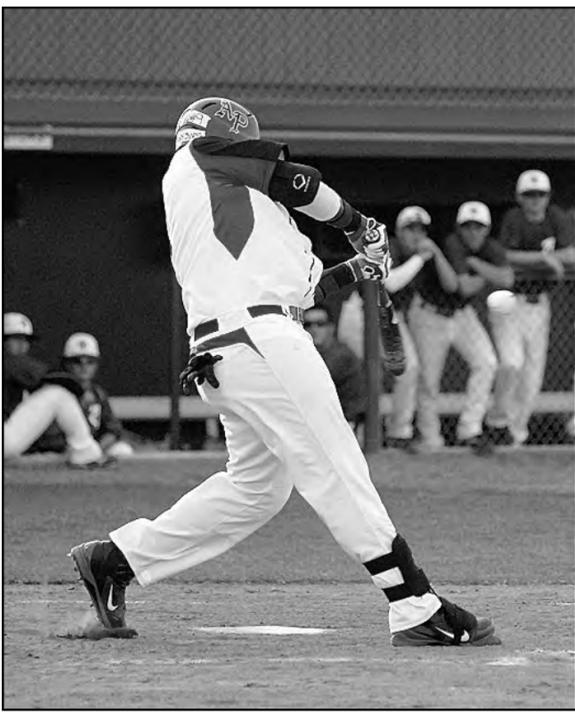
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Tyrone Perry laces this line drive to left for a lead-off double in the bottom of the first inning Thursday.

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game this night as, with Matt Roberts on base in the bottom of the inning, Perry also hit a smash that seemed destined for an extra-base hit down the right field line.

But a sensational snare by the Crusader first sacker turned it into an inning-ending double play.

"They hit some balls that found holes," head coach Whit Cornell said. "And when we hit it well, they found people."

An RBI single from Kyle Barber added an insurance run in the fifth though Helms wouldn't necessarily need it as he continued to shut down the Avon Park bats the rest of the way.

"They're a real good team and I give them credit," Cornell said. "But I'm real

proud of our guys. We won the district title and had a real good season. I give so much credit to our seniors who have worked so hard to get us here. The seniors from recent years that put the work in to get this program where it is.

The Devils will be losing five seniors, Torres, Crosson, Roberts, Trey Marley and Cash Jackson, but will return a strong core from which to continue to build.

"We've got a good group coming back and some real good players from junior varsity will be coming up," Cornell said. "We had a real good year, a good nucleus of players returning and such great support from our fans. They're the best, with the atmosphere they provide for us, who wouldn't want to play here?"

Magic's Anderson chosen NBA Most Improved Player

By KYLE HIGHTOWER
Associated Press

ORLANDO — Magic forward Ryan Anderson has been chosen the NBA's Most Improved Player.

NBA officials were at Amway Center on Friday to present the 23-year-old Anderson with the award.

Anderson is in his fourth season.

"It's very surreal for me to be sitting where I am today," Anderson said. "A year ago if you would have said I would be the Most Improved Player, I'd probably laugh at you in the face. This year has just been a culmination of a lot of different things and a lot of different people helping me."

He started 61 of 66 games during the shortened regular-season and led the league in 3-pointers made (166) and

attempted (422).

He joins Rashard Lewis as the only other power forward to lead the league in 3-pointers made.

Anderson came into the season with a career average of 8.6 points per game.

He averaged career highs in points (16.1) and rebounds (7.7).

Anderson becomes the fifth Magic player to win the award since it was first handed out in 1986, joining Hedo Turkoglu (2008), Tracy McGrady (2001), Darrell Armstrong (1999) and Scott Skiles (1991).

Magic general manager Otis Smith said he was "proud of the basketball player he's become" since Anderson came to Orlando from the Nets as part of a multi-player trade in 2009.

White leaps to state high-jump title

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tent. I actually picked it up for my last lap."

So close was the competition, that even in seventh, Tubbs was less than four seconds out of second place.

"I was happy with my placing," she said. "I gave it my all, came away with a medal and it was a great way to end my junior track season."

That it was, but the highlight of the day came from

senior Donavon White who ended his high school track career in the grandest fashion, winning gold.

The multi-sport athlete saved the best for last, upping his own personal best to take first place in the high jump.

White had equaled his personal record of 6-feet, 4-inches at the regional meet but added another two inches to clear 6-feet-6, the only competitor to reach that height, and take first place.

"I'm so happy for Donavon," Tubbs said. "I almost cried when I saw that he had won."

For White, it was the ultimate ending to his high school career.

"I had tried that height in practice on Thursday and didn't get it," he said. "I cleared it, but my leg knocked the bar off, so I knew I could do it. Talking to coach Sigmund, he said if you don't want to be nervous about 6-4, just do 6-6

and make the rest of them nervous."

The nervousness was certainly there, but White used it to his advantage, knowing he had to go for it one last time.

"The adrenaline of the moment really helped, I knew this was my last time and I had to go for it," he continued. "It's just a great feeling, a great way to finish my last meet in high school."

Knicks hope Stoudemire can play Sunday

Associated Press
GREENBURGH, N.Y. —

Interim coach Mike Woodson thinks Amare Stoudemire is going to play for the New York Knicks on Sunday in Game 4 against the Miami Heat.

With the Heat up 3-0 in the series, the Knicks got some good news when Stoudemire was able to work out with his lacerated left hand wrapped. He was injured when he punched a fire extinguisher case after Game 2, hitting some glass and needing surgery to repair a muscle.

Stoudemire says he is still doubtful and that the hand is still definitely not 100 percent, but was relieved to be back on the court Friday after an injury that could have been much worse.

He says the cut was only a millimeter away from a nerve.

"I'm a team player man, and I feel like right now we've got an opportunity to

where we've got to try to get a win," Stoudemire said. "Sunday we have to play as hard as we can to get one, so I want to be there for my teammates and also for the fans who stuck with me through this process."

Stoudemire was able to catch and palm the ball with his left hand.

But he wants to see how his recovery goes Saturday and again Sunday morning before deciding if he can play.

"With this type of injury, playing Sunday would be out of the question for most people, but for some reason I feel like I'm blessed," Stoudemire said. "I heal fast, I persevere through a lot of injuries. Obviously, the injury to my hand wasn't on purpose, it was accidental. So I feel like the work I put in today and the work I would put in tomorrow, hopefully I would feel better and be ready for Sunday."

Miami is preparing for

both options, whether Stoudemire is in the lineup or not.

"We'll all have to see," Heat guard Dwyane Wade said. "Obviously, if he plays, it'd show a lot to his teammates that he wants to get back out there with them. So that'll bring something to their confidence level. But as a team, we'll prepare if he plays like we did in the first two games."

The Heat practiced briefly Friday at Madison Square Garden without Chris Bosh, who returned to Miami Thursday night to spend more time with his wife and new son born 16 hours before the start of Game 3.

The team hasn't determined when Bosh will come back to New York, other than saying it will be in time for him to play in Game 4.

It was such a light workout that Heat forward LeBron James — who outscored the Knicks by himself in the fourth quarter

of Game 3 and finished with 32 points — declined when asked if he needed icepacks strapped to his knees or anywhere else afterward.

James dealt with sharp criticism from the Garden crowd Thursday night, shaking off a slow start for a big finish that put Miami on the cusp of the second round.

His 17 points in the fourth quarter were the most by anyone in a playoff game this season entering Friday, and matched the biggest final-quarter output of his postseason career.

He also scored 17 against Orlando when playing for Cleveland on May 28, 2009.

Miami has won all three games by double figures and is 6-0 against New York counting the regular season.

With Jeremy Lin and Iman Shumpert also out, the Heat can focus more attention on Carmelo Anthony, who is shooting just 34 percent from the field.

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Blackmon gets NFL career started with Jaguars

By MARK LONG
Associated Press

JACKSONVILLE — Justin Blackmon's first day with the Jacksonville Jaguars was uneventful.

No circus catches. No touchdown receptions. Not even a noteworthy play.

He finished Friday's practice drenched in sweat and saturated in information stemming from new coaches, new teammates, a new system and lots of catching up to do.

"Right now, I'm just a sponge trying to take it all in," he said.

The Jaguars are counting on the former Oklahoma State star catching on quickly.

They traded up two spots to take Blackmon with the fifth overall pick in last week's NFL draft, hoping to add a franchise receiver to an offense that ranked last in the league in 2011.

The first real test will come during organized team activities, which begin in less than two weeks.

That's when Blackmon will get his first repetitions with quarterback Blaine Gabbert and the team's other starters.

This weekend, though, is about getting familiar with the playbook, the coaching and all the nuances that go into an NFL practice.

"He's taking baby steps," coach Mike Mularkey said.

Blackmon got much of the attention on a day when 50 newcomers were trying to catch the coaches' eyes.

Punter Bryan Anger drew plenty of interest, but mostly because the Jaguars

surprised many by drafting him early in the third round.

He is the highest-drafted punter since the Chicago Bears took Todd Sauerbrun in the second round in 1995.

Kicker Long Ding, one of 27 players trying out this weekend, is attempting to become the first Chinese-born player to make an NFL roster.

Defensive end Andre

'I have to work just as hard as everyone else to earn a spot.'

JUSTIN BLACKMON
Jaguar rookie

Branch, a second-round pick from Clemson, and 28-year-old defensive tackle Jeris Pendleton, a seventh-rounder from Ashland, are hoping to get a head start at positions where the Jaguars could use help at right away.

And then there are several undrafted free agents trying to make impressions, including several guys who were disappointed they didn't get picked.

They included Ohio State center Mike Brewster and Bethune-Cookman defensive end Ryan Davis.

"Once the draft was over, I quickly switched gears," Davis said. "It's unfortunate, but Jacksonville is where I wanted to be all along. I'm just happy I'm here now. I

can't cry about it. It's over already. I just have to do what I have to do to make this squad."

Blackmon doesn't have that worry.

But there's certainly plenty of pressure since he's the team's highest-drafted player since Jacksonville chose line-backer Kevin Hardy second overall in 1996.

"Nothing is going to be given to me," said Blackmon, who is wearing No. 14. "I have to work just as hard as (everyone else) to earn a spot."

Not really. But the Jaguars certainly would love to get Blackmon up to speed as quickly as possible.

The strong and speedy wideout caught 253 passes for 3,564 yards and 40 touchdowns in three years at Oklahoma State — the kind of production that prompted the Jaguars to trade up to get him.

"It's the beginning of a foundation for him," receivers coach Jerry Sullivan said. "He's got to learn what to do and how to do. All the pomp and circumstance is over. Now you're down to the nitty gritty. The drawing plans are off the table. Now you're doing the construction part."

"He's got to learn where to line up. He's got to learn his assignments. As he learns them and gets better, things will come easier and he'll be able to really demonstrate all the athletic skill he possesses. Right now, there's a lot of thinking and uncertainty."

Conference USA expands by five members

By STEVE REED
Associated Press

Conference USA announced Friday that it is adding five new schools in 2013.

Commissioner Britton Banowsky said Charlotte, Florida International, Louisiana Tech, North Texas and UT-San Antonio will join the league in all sports, with Charlotte joining in football in 2015.

Charlotte is rejoining Conference USA after several years in the Atlantic 10.

Louisiana Tech has been in the WAC since 2001, and UTSA will play in the WAC next year before joining CUSA.

FIU and North Texas will be leaving the Sun Belt Conference.

Current CUSA members include East Carolina, Marshall, Rice, Southern Mississippi, Tulane, Tulsa, Alabama-Birmingham and UTEP.

Conference USA will lose Houston, SMU, Memphis and Central Florida to the Big East in 2013.

Banowsky says Conference USA and the Mountain West continue to discuss a merger and expansion remains a possibility.

"The discussions with the Mountain West are ongoing," Banowsky added. "What form the relationship will take is still to be determined, but both remain committed to working together."

For now, the conference is happy to be at 13 teams.

"We are excited about adding these new members as part of our bold strategy that focuses on growing institutions in large media markets," Banowsky said. "There is a tremendous upside here. This

is an opportunity for us to add a mixture of established and emerging programs. We also remain committed to divisional scheduling models that are student-athlete and fan-friendly. The more we analyzed it, the more it made sense."

Conference USA noted that the metro area population of the new additions is nearly 18 million. Divisions will be announced later.

The move puts Charlotte on the fast track to go from a school without a football team to one that will play in the Championship Subdivision and then the Bowl Subdivision after just two seasons, the shortest time allowed by the NCAA.

The 49ers will be bowl eligible in 2016.

The other school to do that was UTSA, a program the 49ers have tried to emulate.

UTSA went 4-6 in its inaugural football season under Larry Coker as an independent in FCS last year, but the program has sought to accelerate its national profile.

Charlotte Chancellor Dr. Philip Dubois said that while nobody expected things to move along this quickly it was an opportunity the university simply couldn't pass up.

"To be sure, it is an upgrade to what some of us envisioned," Dubois said. "I certainly have been ahead of the pack in urging us to crawl first, then walk and then run. But when opportunity knocks in Division I athletics, it is most certainly not the Avon lady."

Dubois said the move was "momentous" for the university's football program.

"We have yet to take a snap on McColl-Richardson Field, yet to play our first game, yet to have even our first practice

— but because of who we are, because of what we've done, and because of the great community we live in — we have the unique opportunity to become one of the first programs in history to go from no football to FBS football in the minimum time allowed by NCAA regulations," Dubois said.

Charlotte is planning on meeting with its architects to add 2,500 to 5,000 temporary seats, as well as adding lighting — the wiring was already in place — to allow night games, which would potentially draw additional television revenue.

"In adding football, it was imperative that we find a conference to compete in — and today we struck gold," athletic director Judy Rose said. "We not only found a conference to play in — but we found an FBS conference. A top 10 basketball conference. A conference that includes regional rivals, and holds national attention and it's a conference that has an in-state opponent to fight for bragging rights. It's a strong conference across the board."

Earlier this week, a person with knowledge of the situation told the AP that Utah State and San Jose State are jumping from the Western Athletic Conference to the Mountain West in 2013 for football.

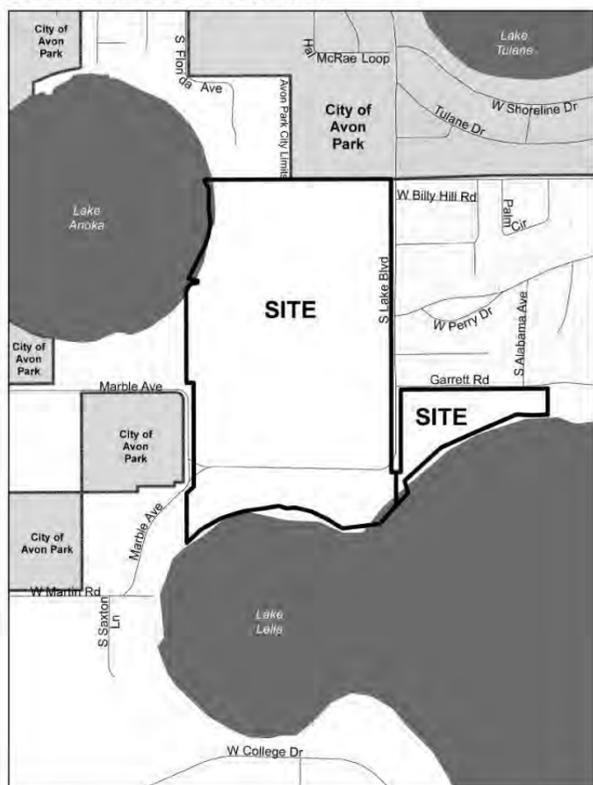
The schools would replace San Diego State and Boise State, which are joining the Big East for football.

As for the Sun Belt, the league recently added Texas State and Georgia State as football members starting in 2013 in anticipation of losing two schools.

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Please take notice the City of Avon Park City Council will conduct the final reading of Ordinance 22-11 at their regular meeting on Monday, May 14, at 6:00 p.m. or shortly thereafter, in the City Hall Council Chambers, 123 E. Pine St., Avon Park, FL. Public comments will be heard during the discussion of this agenda item. Copies of the ordinance and metes and bounds legal description are available in the City Clerk's Office, City Hall, 110 E. Main St., Avon Park, FL 33825.

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