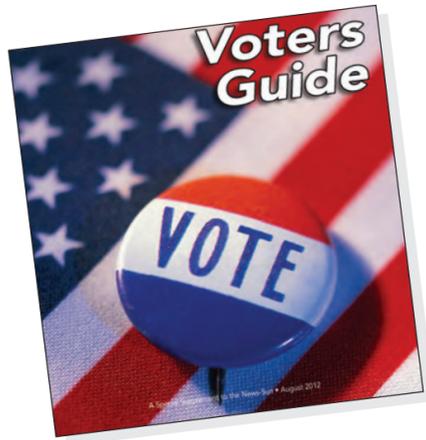


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## Woman struck, killed while helping traffic accident victim

39-year-old Lori Ann McKenna called 'heroic caregiver'

News-Sun staff  
LAKE PLACID — A 39-year-old Lake Placid woman was struck by a vehicle and killed Thursday night while trying to give aid to the victim of a traffic crash.

According to a press release from the Lake Placid Police Department, Lori Ann McKenna was shopping at a nearby store when she heard about a crash

involving a motorcycle and an SUV. Witnesses said McKenna "rushed to the aid of the motorcyclist without hesitation," the press release said.

"The operator of the motorcycle described McKenna as a heroic caregiver as she examined him roadside verifying he was not seriously injured."

While McKenna was helping

the motorcyclist, who had minor injuries, McKenna stepped away and was hit by an oncoming vehicle.

She was pronounced dead a short time later by Florida Hospital staff.

The investigation is still under way, the press release said. No charges have been filed at this time.

## Love those bugs



News-Sun photos by SAMANTHA GHOLAR

Cracker Trail Elementary third grader Piper Ieslin purchases a Volkswagen Beetle toy car Saturday morning during the Volkswagen Summer of Love Jubilee in downtown Sebring. Local minister Eric Wilson has collected a number of VW toy cars over the past 10 years and was thrilled about his first time as a vendor at the event. Attendees began showing up early in anticipation of the weekend-long event. Two of them were Lake Placid residents Carol and Dave Walters (right), who take a look at a classic Volkswagen. The Walters are classic car enthusiasts and enjoyed the event. "We don't have any but we love old classic cars. It doesn't matter what kind of old car it is we love them," Dave said. The Jubilee is expected to bring in close to 100 classic VWs throughout the weekend. The Jubilee will end today with a drive on the historic Sebring International Raceway.



## AP opts to go with SO

Council votes 5-0

By CHRISTOPHER TUFFLEY

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AVON PARK — Members of the city council voted unanimously Saturday to approve a four-year contract with the Highlands County Sheriff's Office to provide law enforcement for the city.

The special meeting was held at the Avon Park Community Center, which was nearly filled.

Mayor Sharon Schuler made it clear she would tolerate no nonsense, and while there were occasional heavy sighs, whispers and applause, the meeting went calmly.

Both the Police Benevolent Association and Sheriff Susan Benton made presentations, pro and con arguments for both sides. Representatives from Fort Meade reported they were satisfied with the service provided by the Polk County Sheriff's Office.

After about two hours of presentations

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## Schools to spend \$485K on health insurance

By SAMANTHA GHOLAR

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SEBRING — Highlands County School Board meeting Thursday included a lengthy discussion regarding the school district's health insurance policy.

The board voted 3-1 for the approval of the renewal with CIGNA Insurance, Donna Howertown casting the dissenting vote.

Currently the district is under CIGNA's insurance policy which accounts for 10 percent of the school district's entire budget. Present at the regular board meeting were members of the school district's Insurance Committee, which includes multiple teachers and administrators, as well as CIGNA representatives.

The new policy would change the

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### CANDIDATE PROFILE

## Canale says she will draw on her experience

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SEBRING — Jeri Canale is running for the District 3 seat on the Highlands County Commission.

When family and friends pushed her to enter the race, she told them she was interested, but she had to have a sign. Shortly afterwards she bought a ticket for a 50/50 draw-

ing. As she put her money in the basket, she told people, "All right, I never win, so if I do it means I'm meant to run." She won.

In fact, Canale served on the county commission before, from 1994 to 1998.

"I just think a little experience is a good thing right now. I am up to speed. I understand the budget process and know state statutes," she said. "I know what I'm getting

into." She added that she has a sense of humor, which helps.

In addition to elected office, Canale said she has served in a number of other positions that helped prepare her for office, including serving on the board of directors of the Florida Association of Counties, as a member

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# City of Sebring's first election was held in 1913

More and more people are moving to Sebring every day for exactly the same reason people have always lived here; its good government, fine weather, schools, recreation and most of all its wonderful people. Sebring has come a long way in its 100 years of existence and will continue to do so by the leadership of those elected and appointed to serve its best interest. Today, government is ever changing to meet the needs of the time we live in – some good, some not so good. We can be justly proud of Sebring and its people that have served it and those that will continue to serve in the years to come.

This week we are taking a brief look at our city council, and inviting you to a special city council

reception during the Centennial Focus week. Save the date now for this special reception meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 16 beginning at 6 p.m.; it will be held at the City Hall on South Commerce Avenue. This will be a terrific time to go and meet your elected officials if you have not already done so, to witness history being made, and to have your say on issues that concern you as a Sebring resident.

Your council wants to hear what is important to you; your feedback helps our local government body make the best decisions for our city.

The first election in Sebring was held on July 1913. At that time, city residents elected a mayor, city council of five members, a treasurer



## Centennial Notebook

and a clerk. Only 15 votes were cast in that first election and J.H. Lopp became Sebring's first mayor.

The first council meeting confronted issues of sidewalks, paving of streets and taxes, which they soon found out no one wanted to pay. The very first ordinance passed by the new town council was a resolution offering a \$5

reward for the arrest and conviction of anyone selling intoxicants. The need to establish such a law suggests that there were at that early date people in the town who did not share the same convictions. Everyone in town did not agree with George Sebring's anti-alcohol views, and there was rampant disobedience of this ordinance.

Although George Sebring's leadership was evident as the driving force for the quick progress of the new town, he never held public office, preferring to stay in the background and be the guiding influence. Orvel Sebring, the son and partner of his father, did serve on the city council for several years.

Sebring has been exceedingly

fortunate in its choice of mayors over the years. By the first charter, the term of office was one year, but with the revision in 1925 this was extended to two years, but the men who were elected have all done such a good job that each of them was re-elected as often as he would agree to serve.

For the most part, the mayors, while acting as judges, were intent on maintaining a serene and happy community. Many fine citizens have served honorably in the city government. Ed Hasti served as city clerk at a difficult time during the Great Depression and World War II years, from 1933 until December 1945; Dan Stevenson,

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Metro

Several groups are collecting school supplies to give to those in need.

## Back-to-school drives gearing up in county

By SAMANTHA GHOLAR  
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SEBRING – Hundreds of local students will come together to celebrate the upcoming new school year with friends and strangers during the 13th annual Back to School Bash at the Boys and Girls Club of Sebring.

This year's bash is sponsored by the Florida Sportsmen's Association, Washington Heights Concerned Citizens Group and the B&GC.

The bash provides local kids and teens with school supplies and backpacks along with many health services and a last dose of fun before the school year begins.

Eric Wilson, co-supervisor at the B&GC, stated that last year's bash was a huge success.

"Last year was really good, we ran out of backpacks pretty early though ... We are looking to supply more this year," Wilson said.

Chairman of the Back to School Bash Committee Robert Saffold is hoping to hand out packs to every student that attends the event but knows help is needed from the local community.

Saffold and the committee needs approximately 300 backpacks to accommodate the students that are expected to attend the bash.

One local business, Affinity Health Professionals, has already jumped on board and is currently collecting items to donate to the Back to School Bash.

Affinity is offering a special gift for those who donate – a free 15-minute massage will be given to donors who drop off items at the Affinity office, 2827 Alt. 27 South in Sebring.

Supply items may also be donated directly to the B&GC. The B&GC will also gladly accept cash/check donations.

Suggested items needed are: backpacks, crayons, pencils, folders, spiral notebooks, notebook paper, markers, Kleenex, hand sanitizer, etc.

The Boys and Girls Club Back to School Bash will be held at the B&GC of Sebring, 111 N. Martin Luther King Blvd. The bash will be held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 18.

Attendees will receive free backpacks, school supplies, community resources, health department screenings, immunizations, and haircuts. Hot dogs, popcorn and refreshments will be available as well as music, bounce houses and more.

For monetary donations make checks payable to The Florida Sportsmen Association, 608 Bowman Ave. Sebring, FL 33870. For more information on donations or how to become a sponsor, call 381-5166.

Statler Financial, 803 U.S. 27 S, has made it their mission to help supply the Kindergarten Learning Center's teachers with needed items for the little ones in their classrooms.

"After learning about the shortage on school supplies from my daughter, Maggie (KLC physical education instructor), I wanted to be able to help out with school supplies for children in need," Philip Statler said.

Statler contacted KLC principal Andrew Lethbridge to obtain a copy of the KLC's supply list.

"After purchasing the items it adds up to almost \$30 per student. This is especially hard for parents that have multiple children in the household," Statler said.

Statler Financial is accepting donations for the KLC throughout the month of August. Items on the KLC's supply list include backpacks, plastic supply box, scissors (blunt tip), pencils, 8-count crayon, glue, gluesticks, hand sanitizer, wet wipes, ziplock bags (gallon or quart), Kleenex and paper plates.

The items were dropped off at Statler Financial Services (in the Keys Professional Plaza) between 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday-Friday. Contact Tera at 382-0037.

## Sebring man charged with rape

News-Sun staff

SEBRING — A man Sebring police say forced his way into a woman's home and sexually assaulted her before she chased him away with a knife was arrested Wednesday.

According to Sebring Police Department reports, Toby Dean Chapman, 48, was booked into the Highlands County Jail on charges of sexual assault with physical force, burglary with assault or battery and violation of probation.

The call came in a 5:42 p.m. Wednesday about a sexual assault that had just occurred. The victim, a 44-year-old woman, said that a man came to her door and said he was the maintenance man and asked where the office was. The victim told him where the office was and tried to close the door, but the man forced his way inside, said "we're going to have some fun" and shoved her down on the floor, where he sexually assaulted her.

The suspect eventually asked the woman for a drink and allowed her to get up and go to the kitchen, where she grabbed a knife and told the suspect to leave. He fled in a large, gold-colored SUV.

The victim told police that the man was wearing a grey shirt and black silky shorts and that the second and third toe of his left foot were fused together.

A short time later, Cpl. Joe Stump saw a gold SUV pass him and made a traffic stop. Chapman was driving the SUV, and Stump noticed he was "sweating profusely," the report said. He was also wearing the clothing described by the victim and

flip-flops, which allowed Stump to see that Chapman's left foot had two toes that were fused together.

The victim identified Chapman as the man who raped her, the arrest report said.

### Teen charged with arson, burglary

LAKE PLACID — A 15-year-old boy is facing arson, burglary and criminal mischief charges after police say he repeatedly broke into a vacant apartment and vandalized it.

According to a Lake Placid Police Department arrest report, the teenager entered an empty apartment at 321 Phoenix St. multiple times between June 6 and June 20 and wrote graffiti on the walls, a counter top and the

refrigerator with a black permanent marker.

Police also say that he "vomited a number of times on the floor and walls as the result of nausea caused from smoking synthetic marijuana referred to as spice" and smoked cigarettes and left the butts and trash throughout the apartment.

The teen is also accused of intentionally starting a fire in the apartment, using lighter fluid to burn window screens, an air conditioner filter and a bag of sugar on the floor of the living room. Damage from the actual fire was minimal, the police say, but every room suffered smoke damage.

The suspect "should have known that other adjoining apartments were occupied" since he lives nearby, the report said.



Chapman

## COMMUNITY BRIEFS

### Sheriff candidates to speak to Tea Party

SEBRING — Sheriff Susan Benton and Cadido Garcia, who is running against her in the November election, will speak to the Highlands County Tea Party Tuesday night.

The meeting will be held at Homer's Restaurant, 1000 Sebring Square. There will be a 5:30 p.m. buffet and the meeting will begin at 6 p.m.

The public is invited to attend.

### Pied Piper's Youth Choir holding auditions

SEBRING — The Pied Piper's Youth Choir is holding auditions for Mini-Music Camp and fall programs.

Audition appointments for Mini-Music Camp are available until Aug. 14 for boys and girls ages 4-14. Mini-Music Camp is Aug. 15-16 from 9 to noon and after school Aug. 22-23 from 3:15-4:55 p.m., ending with a program at the Lake Placid Caladium Festival Saturday, Aug. 25 at 3 p.m.

Regular rehearsals are held after school Wednesdays from 3:15-4:55 p.m. for the 2012-2013 season. Camp and rehearsals are held at Highlands Art League Center on Lakeview Drive in Sebring. Several programs are already scheduled and several more will be scheduled.

For appointment and additional information, call Director Dr. Sal Mowery at 863-257-4127 or 863-258-2107, or email drmom84@yahoo.com or piedpipers07@yahoo.com/.

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# EDITORIAL & OPINION

## TODAY'S EDITORIAL

# Congratulations to Sheriff Benton

It is always a pleasure to acknowledge when a public figure has done well. Even more so when a public figure is honored by peers.

This week Sheriff Susan Benton was elected president of the Florida Sheriff's Association. This is the first time in its 118-year history the organization has chosen a woman to lead it.

Benton already made history by being the first woman in Florida elected sheriff in her own right, and then being re-elected. She is currently running for a third term.

Under Benton's leadership, the Highlands County Sheriff's Office has developed a high level of professionalism.

She led the effort in gaining state accreditation by the Florida Corrections Accreditation Commission for the jail in February of 2011,

and the Sheriff's Office itself on June 30, 2011 by the Commission for Florida Law Enforcement.

On her watch, emergency dispatchers from the county's many agencies were consolidated into one unit for faster responses.

Perhaps even more important, Benton is as motivated to prevent crime and deal with difficult social issues. Her approach has been one of involving the community.

Children, in particular, are a main focus. She created the Special Victims Unit, and has been working with the school board on strategies to deal with student truancy. More than once she has warned that

today's truant is tomorrow's inmate.

One of Benton's frustrations, she has said in the past, is state legislation that works against local authorities trying to deal with the truancy problem. Students have to be absent from school so long before measures may be taken that negative habits set in. The laws as written allow parents to escape accountability.

As president of the FSA, she now has a chance to bring more attention to this vital issue.

On Friday morning she explained how excited she is about the future.

"One of the main functions of the FSA is providing professional leadership and collective ability to impact crime," she said, adding that individual sheriffs are more and more pooling resources, expertise and equipment and working together on larger initiatives,

like fighting pill mills, and sexual predators online.

While women have done much to prove they are capable, inventive and as good at leading as men, in a male dominated world such as law enforcement a woman's ability has been a hard sell.

What makes Benton special is that she has proven her worth and gained respect through her actions.

As president of the FSA her voice will be heard, and her ideas considered.

When you think about how small Highlands County is, compared to Miami-Dade, Broward or Duval counties for instance, it is especially gratifying when our officials are recognized for their leadership statewide.

Congratulations Sheriff, you've done us all proud.

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# What would Jesus do?

## Laura's Look

Laura Ware

One of the things that frustrate me as a Christian is when people claim to be followers of Jesus but ignore what He taught.

These people will even go so far as to twist the Bible to try to justify their ungodly beliefs.

This is troubling for a number of reasons. The fact they claim God supports their incorrect views means they are sending out the wrong message, forcing others to go behind them and clean up the messes they make. Then there are those who are always looking for a chance to discredit the faith. They like to point to those who fail to follow Christ's teachings (though they claim otherwise) and tar all Christians with the same broad brush.

Sadly, there are numerous examples of such "Christians." One prominent one came to my attention this week.

Charles and Te'Andrea Wilson were slated to be married at the First Baptist Church in Crystal Springs, Miss. They had the rehearsal there the Thursday before the scheduled ceremony, no problem. The next day, the day before they were to be married, Pastor Stan Weatherford broke the news to them. Some parishioners came to him, complaining. One news account said they threatened to fire him if he chose to go through with the ceremony.

Why were they complaining? What terrible thing had this couple done that so offended these church members? Apparently, it wasn't what they'd done but what they were — you see, the Wilsons are black. The church there is predominantly white and, according to the article I read at news.yahoo.com, there hadn't ever been a black wedding at the building since the church was founded in 1883.

According to another article at www.cnn.com, Weatherford apparently gave in to the unhappy members "to avoid controversy." He married the couple at another nearby church.

The pastor really miscalculated the no controversy thing. Members of the community and congregation reacted to the situation with dismay and outrage.

Both the articles I read on the story had thousands of comments about the situation, most of them in support of the couple.

The thudding sound you're hearing is me hitting my head against a wall. What is wrong with the people who objected?

Read your Bible. Go from Genesis to Revelation. You will discover that there is nothing there that excuses treating people differently because of the color of their skin. Zip. Zero. Nada. You have to perform some interesting textual gymnastics to justify believing otherwise.

Then there is Weatherford, who for whatever reason didn't seek to teach this small group of members better but caved in to their demands instead. Instead of trying to minimize controversy (and that worked out so well) he should've called them out — even if it meant his job. Sometimes you gotta take a stand and pay the price. Jesus did.

And finally, there may be some that want to take me to task for "judging" these people. "No church is perfect, look at the church of Corinth in the Bible. They had horrible problems but were still God's church," they might say.

It's not wrong for us to call sin what it is. And make no mistake; the attitude of that small group of members is sinful. As to the Corinthian church — yes, they had issues. And the apostle Paul had no problem with telling them they were wrong and had to shape up.

I'm not an apostle. I'm just a Christian who tries to shine her light. And part of that is teaching the truth. And the truth is, Jesus would've married that couple and told the objectors to learn His way more perfectly. For their sakes, I hope they do.

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# 'Always the opposite of Obama' is a tricky campaign platform



If Barack Obama had been the Democratic president who said, "The only thing we have to fear is fear itself," Republicans would call it capitulation. "Obama surrenders to America's enemies!" Commentators on Fox News would

opine it's actually an Islamic saying he picked up in a madrassa in Indonesia. "The prophet Mohammed talked about fear, it speaks to his Muslim leanings." Fox and Friends would lead the next morning with the question, "Did Obama include a part of the Koran in his speech last night?"

"Karl Marx's whole campaign was to eliminate — completely obliterate fear! Now we have a president following in his footsteps!" Rush Limbaugh would bellow. All his doppelgangers and ditto-heads would repeat it on every corner of the Internet and talk radio: "Fearless is Marxist!"

Those more moderate would just call him out of touch. "Obama doesn't understand how Americans feel: they're fearful of Obamacare!" Mitt Romney would go on five networks to announce he's always been a big fan of fear. "In America, the fear is the right height," he'd declare. "Saying we have nothing to fear is foreign-sounding to a lot of Americans." Days later, video of Romney telling a crowd not to be afraid would come to light. His campaign would counter with another weather balloon about his VP pick. "Paul Ryan? How about Ginny Thomas?" would be the entire body of an email to Romney supporters.

Internet message boards would speculate there's an Obama plot to criminalize negative emotions ... tied to fluoride in the water, of course. "Mr. President, what are you trying to hide?"



Congressman Darrell Issa would launch an investigation into this alleged plot outlined on these said message boards. Sideshow Michele Bachmann would mutter about how fear is profoundly Christian and Obama with his contempt of fear has shown his contempt for Jesus ... and of course Israel. "Obama wants to destroy Israel!" Allen West would say it's a form of slavery. John Boehner, wiping back tears, would proclaim, "Fear is a job creator — Mr. President why do you want to punish success?"

Suddenly fear would be a constitutional right. "Barack Hussein Obama is trying to take away our god-given right to be afraid!" "We have nothing to fear! I fear our right to fear will be stripped away if Obama gets a second term."

Yes, the party that bravely came out against empathy (a trait lacking in all sociopaths) when Obama admired it in Sonia Sotomayor, would come out in favor of fear. It would become their signature issue. AstroTurf busses would drop grassroots activists on the capitol lawn for the Million Phobics March. It would mainly consist of security personnel (pro-fear remember) and Sarah Palin proclaiming, "Unlike Barack Obama — we're god-fearing Americans!" SuperPAC funded T-shirts handed out

at the rally would read, "I'm god-fearing not Mohammed-quoting!"

Inevitably there would be Democrats being forced to defend denouncing fear. "Look, I think we can all agree fear is not helpful to Americans. No no, the president doesn't want to see it criminalized. He just said, however inartfully, we don't need it." That would be dubbed a gaffe by the 24-hour news cycle. Right-wing commentators would gasp, "The administration all but admitted to their ambition of outlawing fear. 'We don't need it!?' This is about freedom and governmental overreach!"

Nancy Pelosi would be asked to weigh in on the controversy. She'd say, "This is not a debate about who's for fear and who's against fear — this is about a struggling middle-class." The video clip would end up actually setting up several debate segments on cable news shows about who's for fear and who's against.

To sum up: You have the right to be afraid! The Democrats want to take away that right! That is the choice this November!

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# National Night Out brings residents, law enforcement together

By SAMANTHA GHOLAR  
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National Night Out returns this year to Highlands County to show appreciation to residents who stick around throughout the year as well as raise awareness about crime while heightening community spirit and strengthening ties with local law enforcement.

For 29 years, NNO has been bringing residents out of their houses and into their streets for fun and fighting back.

Highlands County Sheriff's Office is gearing up for this year's NNO, which will be held on Tuesday.

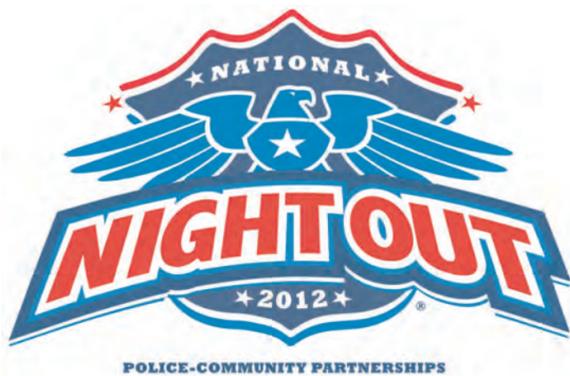
Nell Hays, HCSO public

information officer, is once again coordinating the event that will be held in various locations around the county.

"We have seven locations this year. The idea behind National Night Out is to get people out of their homes, turn their porch lights on and take back their streets," Hays explained.

The NNO event has been taking place in the county for several years; it was first began in the late 1990s but took a long hiatus. According to Hays, NNO has occurred in Highlands County for the past four years.

Two challenges arise, however, with planning the NNO event for Hays.



"Our problem is we are seasonal. There aren't a whole lot of people here in August but we still want to have the event the same night as the national organization

does. It is important that we (HCSO) pay back to the people that are in these communities in the off-season. They have been our eyes and will continue to be even when the

winter folks return," Hays said.

The other issue Hays has run into with NNO is a monetary one. NNO is nationally sponsored by Target stores.

"It's a challenge because we don't have a Target ... I've reached out to the closest stores but they haven't responded yet. So we (HCSO) foot the whole bill, which is fine.

"This is something that I budget for and believe in; the sheriff believes in it too," Hays said.

NNO will take place in seven communities throughout Highlands County. (Hays hopes to continue to expand the number of communities

in the upcoming years.) The NNO event will offer residents a number of activities right outside their doors.

"We will be having food available; hot dog, chips and beverages. There'll be cooks at each of the locations as well as shows and K-9 demonstrations.

"We want the residents to meet some of the sheriff's office staff that they may not be familiar with. We just want to show thanks to the people that have been here," Hays said.

The events will begin simultaneously in each of the communities at 6 p.m.

For more information on NNO visit [www.natw.org/](http://www.natw.org/).

## Circle Park trees, special events manual to be voted on Tuesday

By SAMANTHA GHOLAR  
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SEBRING — Council members will revisit a couple of tabled items Tuesday evening during the first monthly council meeting.

The long-discussed special events manual, which was tabled during the July 3 meeting, will make its way back on the agenda for council members to take action.

The previous discussion of the special events manual suggested that council wanted the assistant city administrator to act as special events coordinator. The council also agreed at the July 3 meeting that the application fee would be set at \$25 per day. The consensus was that the City would assume the monetary responsibility for the first \$500 of services provided for the event ( police, public works, etc.) and the event organizer would then be responsible for any additional cost exceeding \$500.

City Administrator Scott Noethlich will

provide council with all upcoming events scheduled in the downtown area through the spring and seek guidance on what to do with those events.

The Circle Park tree discussion will also be brought back to the council. Following the July 17 meeting, a Circle Park Tree Committee was created to discuss the future of the park.

At a recent meeting, the committee voted to recommend to council to place one large live oak in the bare section between South Ridgewood and West Center. The committee also suggested to leave an open space between Ridgewood and Commerce as an alternate stage set-up are during special events on the Circle. The committee also voted to recommend a handful of conditions regarding the type of tree and the open soil in the area.

The Sebring City Council meeting will be held at 6 p.m. at City Hall.



Courtesy photo  
Youth campers from Highlands County visited the Florida Sheriff's Youth Ranch and were escorted by local sheriff deputies, a Sebring Police officer and school resource officers.

## Highlands campers visit Florida Sheriff's Youth Ranch

Special to the News-Sun

Twenty-two youngsters from Highlands County were escorted to the Florida Sheriff's Youth Ranch in Inglis by School Resource Officers for a week of adventure, activity and fun. The camp hosts boys and girls from ages 10-15 from around the state at no cost to parents except for the physical exam required for acceptance.

The one week sessions go on throughout the summer and provide an opportunity for deputies and other law enforcement volunteers to interact with the youngsters and build relationships.

Camper Michael Helms said the camp helped him "...face the fear of the high rope and meet new people." Jensen Sapp enjoyed playing four square and the trip to Rainbow Springs." Elizabeth Griffin said it was "...really fun and even when it rained we played games indoors."

Mikayela Berrones enjoyed "...meeting new people and singing camp songs."

As president of the Florida Sheriff's Association, Sheriff Susan Benton said, "The Florida Sheriff's Youth Ranches was founded in 1957 by the

Sheriffs of Florida and remains one of our constant priorities."

The mission of the Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches is to prevent delinquency and develop strong, lawful, resilient, and productive citizens who will make a positive contribution to the communities for years to come. The camping programs have been in existence since 1982 and have been at Inglis for the past 10 years.

"Our children always have an outstanding time at camp. We look forward each summer to taking our kids on this journey," Benton said.

## New Hurricane App brings Red Cross safety info to smart phones

Special to the News-Sun

ORLANDO — The American Red Cross launched its official Hurricane App Wednesday, putting lifesaving information right in the hands of people who live in or who visit hurricane prone areas.

This free app is the second in a series to be created by the American Red Cross, the nation's leader in emergency preparedness, for use on both iPhone and Android platforms. It gives instant access to local and real time information on what to do before, during and after hurricanes.

The launch of the Red Cross hurricane app comes just before what is traditionally the busiest period of the Atlantic hurricane season.

Features of the app include:

- One-touch "I'm safe" messaging that allows users to broadcast reassurance to family and friends via social media outlets that they are out of harm's way
- Location-based NOAA weather alerts for the United

States and its territories users can share on social networks

- Remote monitoring of personalized weather alerts where family and friends reside
- Locations of open Red Cross shelters
- Simple steps and checklists people can use to create a family emergency plan
- Preloaded content that gives users instant access to critical action steps, even without mobile connectivity

- Tool kit with flashlight, strobe light and audible alarm
- Badges users can earn through interactive quizzes and share on social networks

The app enables people across the country to receive alerts for locations in areas where they like to vacation or where loved ones live, giving peace of mind to travelers, people who winter in warmer climates and those with elderly relatives or college students in coastal areas.

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# School board votes to erect monument to E.O. Douglass

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deductible for employees as well as provide an option of having a flexible spending account that would provide help for employees trying to reach or pay their deductibles.

Board member Andy Tuck stated his concerns regarding the new policy and the money it would cost the district.

"I was under the impression that last year we said weren't going to spend any more money on insurance this year. We need to get the best plan we can get for the same amount of money we've been spending," Tuck said.

The CIGNA employees presented the board and the full room of attendees with the newly polished policy for approval. According to CIGNA representatives, the only real change to the policy is the amount of the deductible.

CIGNA also followed the board's recommendation to find a way to help the employees afford their deductibles and insurance premiums.

Kindergarten Learning Center principal Andrew Lethbridge addressed the board with the Insurance Committee's decision to recommend a 50/50 plan.

"I think anytime you're in the budget crisis that we're in, you look at everything. We have some hurting people out there. We cut benefits by about 30 percent. Through that we had a lot of people that were greatly affected

*'We'd like to have it under the Tree of Knowledge. We want the school board to be a part of placing something there that helps us to never forget the principals and students that were part of that school.'*

**ROBERT SAFFOLD**  
former E.O. Douglass student

think that most of these plans that work well, they have about a 50 percent gap between the deductible and the fund balance. This (new policy) would get us there.

"I know that it's money, I know that we have a limited amount. We were trying to be conservative. I know that we as an insurance committee never understood Mr. Tuck's position that there will never be an increase to insurance anymore. We did hear that last year and that's why we came forward with the plan. That was never an understanding of the committee nor were we acting on that preference," Lethbridge stated. "I'm really thinking of our employees as a group, as a whole. Instead of a \$1,750 gap, it's down to a \$1,000 gap. I think that's significant. I think the employees are

going to appreciate that."

The total cost for the CIGNA insurance renewal and policy is \$485,000, according to the Insurance Committee.

The HCSB also approved the implementation of an E. O. Douglass School Historical Monument. Former E.O. Douglass students Robert Saffold and Al Joe Hinson spoke to the board about what it means to have the monument placed under the old oak tree on the campus.

"We'd like to have it under the 'Tree of Knowledge,'" Saffold explained. "We want the school board to be a part of placing something there that helps us to never forget the principals and students that were part of that school."

Staff will speak with Saffold and others involved about ideas and input on the design and development of the monument in the coming weeks.

A request for the naming of Lake Placid High School's gymnasium after former student and basketball star Malcolm "Bill" Ross was also approved unanimously by the board Thursday night.

Family members and loved ones of Ross explained that they wanted to honor the LPHS graduate and all that he brought to the school and his many years of services to the community of Lake Placid.

Board members unanimously approved both requests.

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# HCSO to take over AP law enforcement

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and audience participation, the council made its decision.

Only Deputy Mayor Brenda Gray and Councilor Parke Sutherland spoke to the issue directly. Neither Terry Heston nor Paul Miller spoke.

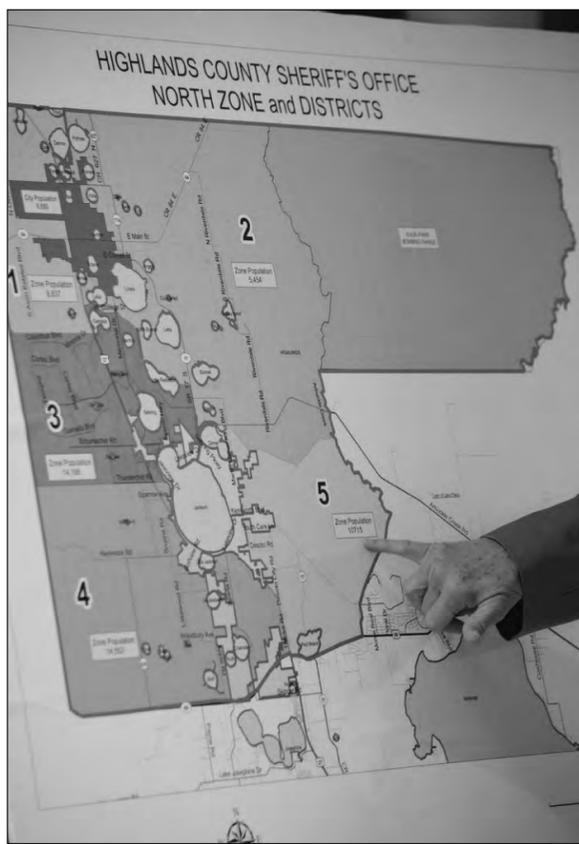
Gray said she would be voting in favor of the contract, partly because she represents the Southside of the city and her constituents had urged the change. She also pointed to the more than \$2 million the city would save in four years. Ultimately, she said, the most important point was that, "Citizens walk out their door and feel safe doing it."

Sutherland, too, referred to the financial savings as being an important part of his decision.

Sutherland asked the most questions during the presentations, seeking answers to questions and worries that city residents brought him. For example, he asked the mayor of Fort Meade if the city felt it had lost a sense of identity. The mayor replied that beyond having patrol cars without the city logo there was no change.

Benton presented her proposal, going over it point by point. For example, she told the police officers present that every one of them would have a job, even those who are not hired to fill the 16 Avon Park positions. Applicants would have to take the standard psychological tests required by statute and have a background check, but she was holding additional positions open so there were enough for all of the department's 22 sworn officers.

Initially, the former police officers would have to serve elsewhere in the county, she said, as sheriff deputies have to be familiar with the entire



News-Sun photo by CHRISTOPHER TUFFLEY  
**Sheriff Susan Benton shows the audience Saturday morning the northern district boundaries that will soon include the city of Avon Park, with the Avon Park Police Department building on Pleasant Street serving as headquarters**

county. The deputies assigned to within city limits would be a permanent presence.

Coverage of the city would equal and surpass what the APPD can provide, Benton said, because the HCSO has the infrastructure to absorb the transition and would be providing the change of command supervision, all at the sheriff's cost.

A northern district of the county, from Schumacher Road north, will have its headquarters at the APPD building on Pleasant Street.

"That's where the city's saving is," Benton said. "We assume all of the supervision management."

Benton introduced the

chain of command to the audience, including the sergeant (Manuel Gonzalez), lieutenant (Gasper Garcia) and captain (Randy Labelle, himself a former Avon Park police officer) who would be working in the city.

Booker Johnson will be the major overseeing the Avon Park unit. Mark Schrader, as chief deputy, will also be available to the city residents. At least four of those named are residents of the Avon Park area.

Benton promised open access to the HCSO at all times.

# Sebring's political history

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1946-1957; Jack Stroup, 1958-1990; Shirley Kitchings, 1991-1996; and Kathy Haley, 1996-present, followed her. Robert Hoffman was city administrator from 1990-2008, succeeded by Scott Noethlich, who currently holds that position. Two of the mayors have had notably long careers in that position – Smith J. Rudasill Jr. served from 1975-1999, and George L. Hensley Jr. served from 1999 and is our mayor today. Our current city council members as of 2012 are John Clark, Andrew Fells, John Griffin, Scott Stanley and Bud Whitlock, with Kathy Haley as city clerk and George Hensley Jr. as current mayor.

Since the council meetings are open to the public

it only makes sense to attend, to stay informed, and to see how our local government works for us. Plan to join with the community at the Special Centennial City Council Reception on Oct. 16 at 6 p.m. Mayor George Hensley urges all citizens, groups, clubs, societies and businesses to join in the celebration. The Centennial focus week is quickly approaching, enter the Centennial Float Parade, Boat Parade, Bed Race, Period Costume Contest, and/or be a sponsor and make sure you attend the events planned. Share your ideas, excitement and love of Sebring, find out how you can be a part of creating tomorrow's history.

A reminder 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. For more information on any of the events, or for sponsor opportunities, Call 655-5554, email events@Sebring100.com, we are active on Facebook at www.facebook.com/SebringCentennial, or Sebring100.com. Thanks to the News-Sun for the opportunity to help us 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.

# Canale running for commission

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of the canvassing board, the board of adjustments and as the chairperson of the library board.

Canale said she was voted "Woman of the Year" for the Sebring Business and Professional Woman's Club, received the "President's Award" from the Women's Republican Club Federated, and was inducted into the Realtor's Hall of Fame in 2010.

Her background in real estate has given her a detailed understanding of some of the county's thorniest problems, she said, like the high rate of foreclosures.

Canale added, however, that property is still a bargain in Highlands County compared with the rest of the state. That is something that should be used to draw people here, she said. "We are the affordable Florida."

She added that tourism is an important part of the economy. "We can take advantage of the tourist dollars to bring in more tourists."

Financial problems still loom large for the county. She warns, "we have to say no to people we didn't say no to before. We have to set goals; if you don't focus we'll never reach them."

Canale believes one of her strengths is that she likes to do research and is good at digging out facts. "I like to look at the whole picture and get to the bottom, hear the whole story," she said.

She strongly supports the Sunshine Laws. "People are the major stakeholder and must be kept informed," she said. "We want to be above board. Our decisions affect people every day."

She believes the government should leave people

and businesses alone whenever possible. She doesn't understand, for example, why people should have to pay for the right to work with an occupational license.

The county, however, does have to do more to bring business to the county, she said.

"Only 15 building permits have been pulled since January," Canale said. "We have to be aware of that." She suggests developing a one stop concierge service that would walk new businesses through their start-up process.

Canale has a sense of urgency as well as possibility. "I take service to my community very seriously. We don't have time to waste," she said, "and we can't afford to make mistakes."

# Gov. Scott a hit at conservative meet

By BRENDAN FARRINGTON  
 AP Political Writer

JACKSONVILLE — Gov. Rick Scott shot back Saturday at opponents who have sued and criticized his conservative agenda and was cheered by an audience who supports his efforts to drug test welfare recipients, strip teachers of tenure and make Florida more business friendly.

Scott was a big hit addressing a gathering organized by the conservative RedState blog, drawing laughs several times as he made fun of people who oppose his policies. The governor whose approval rating was 36 percent in a poll released last week clearly was in front of a friendly crowd and he received a standing ovation when he wrapped the 24-minute speech.

"If you do conservative things in Florida, now you get sued," Scott said, adding he then gets criticized for spending money on lawyers to defend the laws. "After they sue you ... then they say 'Why are you wasting state dollars?' Because it's the

right thing to do. That's why you're doing it."

Scott has been sued over laws that require drug testing for welfare recipients, create stricter voter registration rules, prevent doctors from asking patients about gun ownership, force state workers to contribute to their pension plans and more. He was also sued for ordering a purge of voter rolls to make sure non-citizens can't vote. Opponents said people who do have the legal right to vote were also being removed from the lists.

"We're going to have honest, fair elections. If you've passed away, you don't get to continue to vote," Scott said to laughter. "If you have the right to be here, but you're not a U.S. citizen — they'd never allow you to vote in Spain or Italy — why would you have a right to vote here? You don't. You never did and you're not going to."

He also expressed disbelief that anyone would oppose Florida's law to drug test people on welfare. A federal judge has blocked implementation of the law.

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# Breakfast at stroke rehab brings a new set of challenges

Breakfast on the first day at stroke rehab.

That was a chore. My face doesn't work right, the right side droops, and my mouth doesn't close all the way on that side. I tend to drool. Well, most people think reporters drool anyhow, so when I slur out that I am a journalist, they just nod knowingly.

No, not the main stream media who has perfected spin. But the main street media. I am a real journalist who tries to chronicle events as they happen. Neutral, as much as I can, and centered away from each side. I take pride when someone says, "You covered that fairly."

I am the local government watchdog, on guard for graft and corruption, and a champion for free speech, even for idiots. My goal is to give open access to everything government does, especially when the public would rather watch Swamp People.

Besides, who else is going

to dig through the mayor's garbage?

They tell me my brain is still trying to make new paths for what was routine, so that simple things, like not drooling, does not work like it is supposed to do.

The whole right side of my body is drooping now. Right leg, right arm. Nothing is working. The stroke was caused by a blood clot and 6.37 millimeters of my brain died because of a lack of oxygen.

Hey, seems like a cruel twist of fate. They say every time you drink alcohol you can kill brain cells. Apparently I hadn't killed the key ones when I was young. Not for a lack of trying, you understand. The key ones decided they would wait until I was 46 and party like rock stars. Luckily, only a few thousand were in the Conga line when they went over the cliff.

The small kill zone just happens to be in the area



**Mr. Ed Says**  
*Ed Baldridge*

where the left side of the brain communicates with the spinal fibers for right side motor control. Near the brain stem, but not in it. I could do the whole technical thing, but you can look it up on the Internet when you can take a moment from Facebook and stealing music.

One thing I can do is the John Belushi thing with my eyebrows. With the droop, the right brow hangs lower and the left one looks like it can move a foot.

While I was trying to keep the scrambled eggs from

escaping, I decided I would use the new skill to do the Spock look. You know the one. Raise one brow and say "Fascinating." I find that if you can control the drool and not speak a whole lot, people think you are a genius.

I had just finished my eggs and was working the toast when my roommate started making noises like he was in pain. He did that a lot.

The toast was right. It is hard to get toast right. Not too burnt, not too soggy. Toast is an art and somewhere in the bowels of this place there was a toast artist.

I was trying to ignore other people at the moment and trying to enjoy the toast and thinking about where the call button was in case the neighbor needed help behind the curtain that separated us. Hey, I know it's mean, but I didn't want to talk to anyone for awhile. A stroke does that to you. Besides, he had quit

and I could hear him eating, so I went back to self-absorption.

There was warm tea, so I decided to make some. The water was warm, not hot like advertised, but hey, I'm not picky.

I was trying to lean back and look grown up with a warm, albeit weak, beverage in my left hand. You know, like in the TV commercials, and I was working the eyebrow, when the nurse (yep, that one) came in and opened the curtains between me and the neighbor. Got to remember to order that hit man.

My neighbor was in just the hospital gown. You know it. It covers your front but your rear hangs out the open back. His face was turned

right at me and his eyes were half opened.

He was sort of short and the gown hung down past his knees about six inches above his bright yellow socks.

I smiled, trying to be sociable, and sipped more tea, trying to look important. I raised the eyebrow on cue.

He smiled back, moaned and mumbled softly like he was trying to say something. I was just about to say good morning when he slipped the urinal out from under his gown. He sat in on his table next to his tray and began to eat again.

I crossed the tea off my lunch menu.

*Ed Baldridge is a News-Sun staff writer.*

## COMMUNITY BRIEFS

### Continued from page 2A Complete Health Improvement Project planned

LAKE PLACID — The Better Living Community Center of Lake Placid is holding a Complete Health Improvement Project (CHIP) beginning Aug. 24.

CHIP is a 16-meeting class series that also includes two health screenings. In 30 days, those that attend can eat more and lose weight, disarm diabetes, decrease heart attack risk, lower cholesterol, lower blood pressure and reduce cancer risk, organizers say.

Free informational meetings will be held at 6 p.m. on Aug. 9, Aug. 15, Aug. 16 and Aug. 21 at the Better Living center, 22 East Phoenix St.

Space is limited, so please call Dorie Roa, CHIP director, at 441-2422 or Nora Aviles at 832-1955.

### CFRPC meets Wednesday

SEBRING — The next meeting of the Central Florida Regional Planning Council is scheduled for 9:30 a.m. Wednesday at the Sebring Civic Center, 355 W. Center Ave.

Questions or comments concerning an agenda item, contact Patricia M. Steed, executive director, by email at psteed@cfrpc.org or call (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 during the meetings.

For further information or to require special assistance, contact khall@cfrpc.org or (863) 534-7130, ext. 129.

### Entries needed for Caladium Festival design competition

LAKE PLACID — On behalf of the Greater Lake Placid Chamber of

Commerce, the Lake Placid Garden Club would like to invite the public to enter a floral arrangement in the upcoming Caladium Festival's floral design competition.

The garden club has been asked to chair this event and is hoping that everyone who is interested in floral arrangement and design will participate.

Entries must be all fresh flower material with no less than 80 percent caladiums in the design. There will be ribbons and cash awarded for first, second, third, and people's choice.

Arrangements must be dropped off at the Caladium Co-op on Interlake Boulevard between 1-3 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 23; judging will take place after all the arrangements are placed. All entries will be displayed at the Caladium Arts & Crafts Co-op throughout the festival, Aug. 24-26.

All entries must be picked up by 2 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 26.

For more information and to pre-register by Aug. 17, call 699-6783 or 699-2981.

### Stamp Club meets Monday

SEBRING — Highlands Stamp Club meets on the first Monday of each month. The next meeting is Aug. 6. The group meets at 1 p.m. at St. John United Methodist Church, 3214 Grand Prix Drive (behind Walmart).

All are welcome. Call president Don Ludwig at 385-6214 or vice president Lee Sorel at 699-2796.

### Leisure Lakes HOA meets Tuesday

LAKE PLACID — Leisure Lakes Homeowners Association will hold its summer meeting from 6-8 p.m. Tuesday at the Leisure Lakes Fire Station. The meeting will include the National Night Out celebration with the Highlands

County Sheriff's Office.

The sheriff's office will discuss crime statistics and there will be a K-9 demonstration. Hot dogs, chips, ice cream and beverages will be provided.

This meeting is open to all members and prospective members of the Leisure Lakes HOA. Come meet with the volunteers and families of the fire department and the Highlands County Sheriff's Office.

For questions, contact Mike or Kathy Sorenson by calling 465-2477.

### LPPD sponsors CPR, First Aid classes

LAKE PLACID — The Lake Placid Police Department will sponsor a CPR class at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday and an American Heart Association First Aid class at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 14. Register for each class by calling 699-3757.

More information is available at www.lppd.com. The cost of the First Aid class is only \$15 if you have taken a CPR class from the department.

### Events planned at lodges, posts

AVON PARK — The Combat Veterans Memorial VFW Post 9853 will have NASCAR on the screen at noon today. The Ladies Auxiliary meet at 4 p.m. Wednesday, with the Men's Auxiliary meeting at 6 p.m. and the post meeting at 7 p.m. Music by Mike King from 5-8 p.m. Friday. Karaoke by Bil and Di from 5-8 p.m. Saturday.

The American Legion Post 69 will host karaoke by

Naomi today. The SAL meeting is at 6 p.m. Monday. Music by Double D on Wednesday and by Lora Patton on Friday. Call for times. For more information, call 453-4553.

AMVETS Post 21 at 623 U.S. 27 South will have karaoke with Bil and Di from 6-9 p.m. Saturday. Pizza will be available.

LAKE PLACID

The American Legion Placid Post 25 will host music from L&L Duo from 5-8 p.m. Wednesday and from Frank E. from 6-9 p.m. Friday. A casino trip is planned for Tuesday. For details call 655-0232. For more information on post activities, call 465-0975.

The Lake Placid Moose 2374 will host KJ entertainment and has NASCAR on the screen today. Call for times. Legion meets at 6:30 p.m. Monday followed by the Loyal Order of the Moose officers, House Committee and Women of the Moose all meeting at 7 p.m. The general meeting is at 7:30 p.m. Karaoke with Fireman on Wednesday, music by Franke on Thursday, with Sho-Nuf Country on Friday and with Flashback on Saturday. All times from 6:30-9:30 p.m. For more information, call 465-0131.

The Lake Placid Elks Lodge 2661 will hold their BPOE Investigation at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 7. Call 465-5707 for details and/or the location.

The Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 3880 will host music with Patsy Howard on Friday. Call for time. For more information, call 699-5444.

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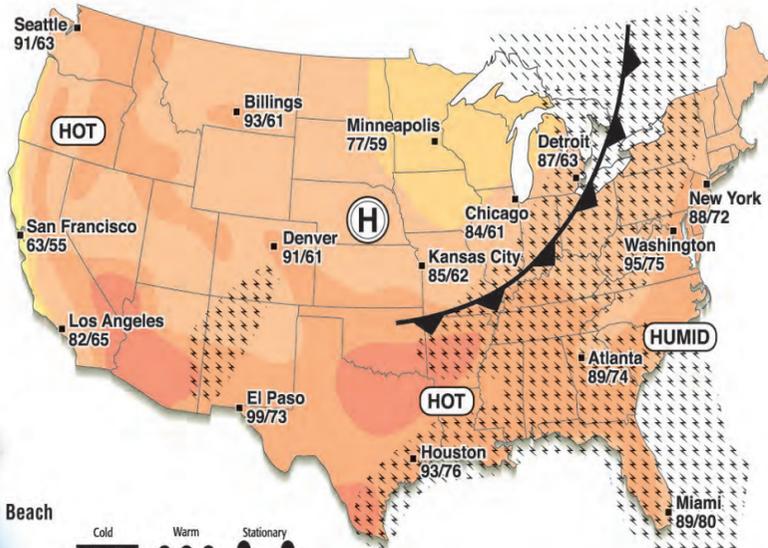
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Five-Day forecast for Highlands County

TODAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
Some sun with a shower or t-storm	A couple of showers and a t-storm	Clouds and sun, a t-storm possible	A t-storm possible in the afternoon	Some sun with a t-storm possible
92° / 75°	93° / 76°	91° / 74°	92° / 75°	91° / 75°
Winds: S at 6-12 mph	Winds: ESE at 4-8 mph	Winds: SSE at 6-12 mph	Winds: SE at 6-12 mph	Winds: ESE at 6-12 mph

National Forecast for August 5



Almanac

**Temperature**  
Readings at Archbold Biological Station in Lake Placid

High Tuesday	95°
Low Tuesday	68°
High Wednesday	95°
Low Wednesday	67°
High Thursday	95°
Low Thursday	67°

**Heat Index**  
For 3 p.m. today

Relative humidity	54%
Expected air temperature	92°
Makes it feel like	102°

**Barometer**

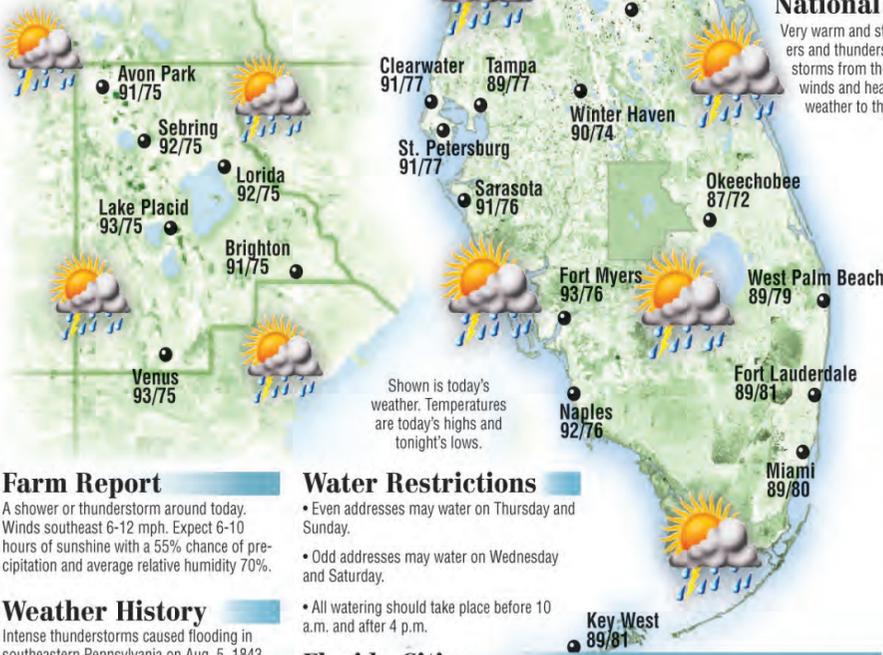
Tuesday	29.93
Wednesday	29.92
Thursday	29.93

**Precipitation**

Tuesday	0.00"
Wednesday	0.00"
Thursday	0.03"
Month to date	0.03"
Year to date	29.83"

Regional Summary

Times of sun and clouds today with a shower or thunderstorm around. A couple of showers and a thunderstorm this evening. A couple of showers and a thunderstorm tomorrow. Tuesday: a shower or thunderstorm possible.



Farm Report

A shower or thunderstorm around today. Winds southeast 6-12 mph. Expect 6-10 hours of sunshine with a 55% chance of precipitation and average relative humidity 70%.

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

Intense thunderstorms caused flooding in southeastern Pennsylvania on Aug. 5, 1843. Up to 16 inches of rain fell in three hours.

Florida Cities

City	Today	Mon.	Tue.	City	Today	Mon.	Tue.
Cape Coral	92/77/t	91/76/t	91/77/t	Miami	89/80/t	90/79/t	90/79/pc
Clearwater	91/77/t	92/78/t	91/78/t	Okeechobee	87/72/t	89/73/t	88/73/pc
Coral Springs	89/78/pc	90/78/t	91/78/pc	Orlando	91/76/t	91/75/t	91/75/pc
Daytona Beach	89/74/t	89/75/t	90/73/pc	Pembroke Pines	89/79/t	90/78/t	90/79/pc
Ft. Laud. Bch	89/81/t	90/80/t	90/81/pc	St. Augustine	89/75/t	89/75/t	90/75/pc
Fort Myers	93/76/t	92/77/t	91/76/t	St. Petersburg	91/77/t	91/77/t	90/78/t
Gainesville	89/72/t	92/72/t	92/73/pc	Sarasota	91/76/t	91/76/t	91/76/t
Hollywood	89/78/t	91/78/t	91/79/pc	Tallahassee	92/74/t	92/72/t	92/73/t
Homestead AFB	87/78/pc	89/79/t	90/79/pc	Tampa	89/77/t	90/77/t	90/77/t
Jacksonville	90/73/t	90/73/t	91/74/pc	W. Palm Bch	89/79/t	90/80/t	90/78/pc
Key West	89/81/pc	89/81/t	89/80/t	Winter Haven	90/74/t	91/75/t	91/75/pc

Weather (W): s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, r-rain, sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, i-ice.

Sun and Moon

	Today	Monday
Sunrise	6:54 a.m.	6:54 a.m.
Sunset	8:10 p.m.	8:09 p.m.
Moonrise	10:19 p.m.	10:55 p.m.
Moonset	10:12 a.m.	11:06 a.m.

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Aug 9 Aug 17 Aug 24 Aug 31

National Summary

Very warm and steamy air found across the eastern third of the country will aid in the development of spotty showers and thunderstorms today. A cold front slicing into this warm and sticky air will produce widespread strong storms from the interior Northeast down into the Ohio Valley. These storms will be capable of producing damaging winds and heavy downpours. In the wake of this system, high pressure will bring plenty of sunshine and cooler weather to the Midwest and northern Plains.

U.S. Cities

City	Today	Mon.	Tue.	City	Today	Mon.	Tue.
Albuquerque	88/70/t	91/67/pc	95/70/pc	Los Angeles	82/65/pc	87/67/pc	89/68/s
Atlanta	89/74/t	89/74/t	84/72/t	Louisville	89/68/t	88/67/s	90/66/s
Baltimore	93/73/t	88/66/t	89/68/pc	Memphis	94/76/t	92/71/t	91/70/pc
Birmingham	93/75/pc	90/75/t	90/73/pc	Milwaukee	81/60/pc	80/65/s	86/67/pc
Boston	88/73/pc	84/66/t	81/68/s	Minneapolis	77/59/s	84/69/pc	86/66/pc
Charlotte	89/72/t	89/70/t	85/71/t	Nashville	91/73/t	89/65/t	90/65/pc
Cheyenne	86/61/pc	90/61/pc	90/58/pc	New Orleans	91/77/t	93/77/t	91/78/pc
Chicago	84/61/pc	84/62/s	86/66/pc	New York City	88/72/pc	86/68/t	86/70/s
Cleveland	84/63/t	77/59/s	83/63/s	Norfolk	90/76/pc	88/74/t	82/73/t
Columbus	85/64/t	84/59/s	85/62/s	Oklahoma City	99/70/s	99/76/t	102/77/s
Dallas	103/79/s	105/80/t	105/80/s	Philadelphia	93/74/pc	89/69/t	88/70/s
Denver	91/61/pc	97/65/s	98/65/pc	Phoenix	109/87/s	111/87/s	111/87/s
Detroit	87/63/t	82/59/s	84/66/pc	Pittsburgh	84/64/t	80/57/s	85/60/s
Harrisburg	90/71/t	86/62/pc	86/66/s	Portland, ME	78/69/pc	84/62/t	79/61/s
Honolulu	87/72/s	87/73/pc	87/73/pc	Portland, OR	93/65/s	87/62/s	87/56/pc
Houston	93/76/t	93/77/t	95/77/s	Raleigh	95/73/t	90/72/t	86/72/t
Indianapolis	87/61/pc	87/54/s	87/64/s	Rochester	85/65/t	78/60/pc	83/62/s
Jackson, MS	93/73/pc	95/75/t	93/72/pc	St. Louis	89/63/pc	89/63/s	90/64/s
Kansas City	85/62/pc	88/66/s	95/69/s	San Francisco	63/55/pc	67/55/pc	70/53/pc
Lexington	86/65/t	85/61/t	87/62/pc	Seattle	91/63/s	81/59/pc	82/57/pc
Little Rock	101/76/pc	95/70/t	97/67/pc	Wash., DC	95/75/t	89/68/t	87/73/pc

World Cities

City	Today	Mon.	Tue.	City	Today	Mon.	Tue.
Acapulco	92/78/t	91/79/t	92/79/t	London	72/55/sh	72/54/sh	70/59/sh
Athens	99/80/s	100/81/s	101/81/s	Montreal	88/61/t	79/59/pc	81/63/pc
Beirut	87/77/s	88/77/s	90/74/s	Moscow	79/56/t	80/61/s	88/68/pc
Berlin	82/66/pc	79/59/sh	73/55/pc	Nice	81/70/pc	80/61/t	83/70/s
Bermuda	85/79/s	87/59/pc	85/79/pc	Ottawa	81/60/t	78/59/pc	81/62/pc
Calgary	79/60/t	87/59/pc	81/55/pc	Quebec	86/66/t	77/57/pc	77/57/pc
Dublin	64/52/sh	64/52/c	64/54/r	Rio de Janeiro	74/64/pc	70/61/sh	75/67/s
Edmonton	79/51/pc	85/55/s	78/53/pc	Seoul	97/79/s	95/75/s	93/73/s
Freeport	87/81/t	88/81/t	89/80/pc	Singapore	88/79/t	88/79/t	89/79/t
Geneva	77/60/t	72/51/t	76/49/s	Sydney	70/46/s	64/43/s	66/43/s
Havana	90/74/t	87/73/t	86/74/t	Toronto	81/61/t	78/59/s	81/62/pc
Hong Kong	91/81/t	91/82/t	93/84/pc	Vancouver	81/66/pc	78/60/pc	76/59/pc
Jerusalem	83/67/s	85/69/s	89/70/s	Vienna	89/69/t	91/66/t	81/62/sh
Johannesburg	71/51/pc	68/35/s	50/29/pc	Warsaw	85/67/pc	91/64/t	77/57/sh
Kiev	90/64/pc	93/68/s	94/62/s	Winnipeg	79/57/s	78/53/pc	78/57/pc

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# Butterflies of the world



Butterflies not to scale

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From the tiny grey pansy to the large paperkite, the world is aflutter with beautiful butterflies. Here's a quick guide to just a few:

## 1 CLIPPER

**Scientific name:** *Parthenos sylvia*  
**Wingspan:** Up to 3½ inches  
**Habitat:** India to China, Malaysia and the Philippines  
**Fun fact:** The clipper is a fast flyer, and its wings seem to change color as they catch different light.

## 2 SMALL POSTMAN

**Scientific name:** *Heliconius erato*  
**Wingspan:** 3 inches  
**Habitat:** Mexico to the Amazon Basin  
**Fun fact:** Like other butterflies in the Heliconiinae family, the small postman has a longer-than-average lifespan — it can sometimes live for months, not just a couple of weeks.

## 3 GREY PANSY

**Scientific name:** *Junonia atlites*  
**Wingspan:** About 2 inches  
**Habitat:** Malaysia  
**Fun fact:** See those spots on its wings? They're eye spots, and they're a way to startle or scare off predators. Lots of butterflies have these.

## 4 CRIMSON PATCH

**Scientific name:** *Chlosyne janais*  
**Wingspan:** About 2 inches  
**Habitat:** Central and South America  
**Fun fact:** The crimson patch likes subtropical wooded or scrub areas, especially along streams.

## 5 COMMON MORMON

**Scientific name:** *Papilio polytes*  
**Wingspan:** 3½ inches  
**Habitat:** Malaysia, India, Sri Lanka, China, Japan, the Philippines  
**Fun fact:** Males and females have different color patterns on their wings. Some consider the common Mormon a pest because it lays its eggs on citrus flowers.

## 6 RED RIM

**Scientific name:** *Biblis hyperia*  
**Wingspan:** 2 to 3 inches  
**Habitat:** Mexico, Central America  
**Fun fact:** The red rim tends to feed on rotting fruit instead of nectaring flowers.

## 7 WHITE PEACOCK

**Scientific name:** *Anartia jatrophae*  
**Wingspan:** 2 to 2½ inches

**Habitat:** Central and South America  
**Fun fact:** The white peacock likes swampy places, watersides, shorelines and disturbed ground.

## 8 RUSTY-TIPPED PAGE

**Scientific name:** *Siproeta epaphus*  
**Wingspan:** 4 inches  
**Habitat:** Central or South America, maybe Mexico  
**Fun fact:** The rusty-tipped page often flies lower than other species; you might find it on plants close to the ground.

## 9 BANDED ORANGE HELICONIAN

**Scientific name:** *Dryadula phaetusa*  
**Wingspan:** 3½ to 4½ inches  
**Habitat:** Central America; sometimes as far north as the Rio Grande Valley  
**Fun fact:** It is distasteful to predators because it feeds on a toxic plant as a caterpillar. Its bold colors are a warning for predators to stay away — “eat me, and I’ll make you sick.”

## 10 BLUE MORPHO

**Scientific name:** *Morpho peleides*  
**Wingspan:** 5 to 6 inches  
**Habitat:** Mexico through Central

America to Venezuela  
**Fun fact:** That pretty blue isn't a pigment — it's iridescence. We see blue because the blue morpho's wings reflect and refract light like a prism.

## 11 COMMON BIRDWING

**Scientific name:** *Troides helena*  
**Wingspan:** 5 to 7 inches  
**Habitat:** Sri Lanka, India, New Guinea, Burma, Thailand, Vietnam, Malaysia  
**Fun fact:** The birdwing is a threatened species because of its dwindling habitat, the rain forest. But now, in parts of Asia, people have started conserving parts of the rain forest in order to raise and sell these butterflies.

## 12 PAPER KITE

**Scientific name:** *Idea leuconoe*  
**Wingspan:** Up to 6 inches  
**Habitat:** Malaysia, Philippines  
**Fun fact:** This one's the most likely to be photographed. It lands, spreads its wings, then stays in place as if it's posing.

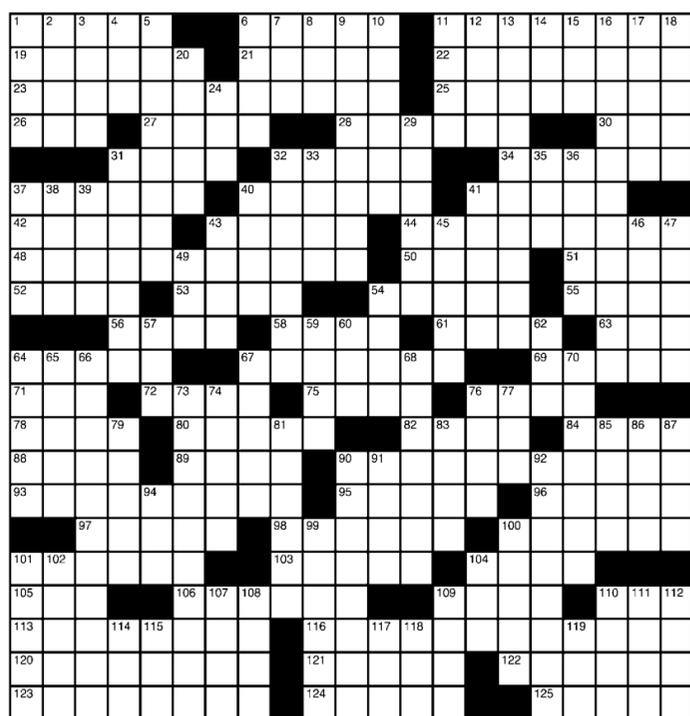
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By ELIZABETH C. GORSKI

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# Hearing, listening and freedom



## Pause And Consider

Jan Merop

On most evenings after dinner, my husband Ken and I read short reflections and a chapter in a book we're going through together. Then we pray.

Words that direct us to walk with God birth fresh conversations connecting us on new levels.

Lately, we've cried out to truly hear (recognize) God's voice.

Praying in agreement, baring our souls with each other and before God creates vulnerability weaving new intimacy as Ken, I and God intertwine.

As I reflect on sharing this beautiful personal experience with you, I admit how easy it is to be distracted when reading and praying. Not surprising since the enemy of our souls would like to prevent a closer walk with God.

Sometimes I need to ask Ken to re-read a paragraph because I realize my mind has drifted. Other times, he looks at me puzzled because a truth has nudged him, but not left its mark. And so we re-read again.

But, our Father God is pleased and blesses us beyond measure in even our pitiful attempts to draw closer to him. And as we learn to listen well, we do begin to hear and recognize his voice.

One morning after having prayed with Ken and on my own about a sense of uselessness that had been plaguing me for some time,

I left our bed early and sat in the dim light of the gently rising sun.

"Be still, and know that I am God," says Psalm 46:10, NKJV. I was truly attempting to do that.

As I sat there in silence ... breathing out more of a wordless sigh than a prayer, I knew his unmistakable voice as it quietly, but in an all-encompassing way, filled my soul in a momentous way ... giving an unexpected answer to my cry.

"You are listening to the accuser. That is not my voice. I don't speak to my children that way."

I cannot explain how totally cleansed ... how refreshingly washed ... I felt from head to toe.

Jesus is the truth and Truth with a capital "T" had just dispelled darkness. Truth had relieved my mind of lies. Truth had embraced me and reminded me that God's Word encourages, uplifts, challenges and brings hope not despair even when it is convicting.

Suddenly I knew it was all right to be exactly where I was. Waiting on the Lord and trusting him. My usefulness wouldn't be measured by doing; but, by being. And, for now, that was exactly where I was supposed to be.

Hear, listen and be set free. Selah

Jan Merop is a News-Sun correspondent.

# It's finally time to relax, Scorpio

Metro Services

## Horoscope

**Aries (March 21-April 20)** — Marked improvement is on your horizon, Aries. As new possibilities seem to rise without cause or reason, you see the silver lining in the cloud.

**Taurus (April 21-May 21)** — Taurus, it's difficult when you feel like you're being pulled in too many directions. This may require sitting down and making a priority list to get started.

**Gemini (May 22-June 21)** — Don't try to mask your emotions this week, Gemini. It is OK if others see the truth about how you feel. Let others explore the honesty in your expression and actions.

**Cancer (June 22-July 22)** — Cancer, if you haven't done so already, plan a trip to somewhere for a respite from the grind. Try to book something that is outside of your comfort zone.

**Leo (July 23-Aug. 23)** — Leo, your energy is infectious and many people notice how well you keep going when others will simply tire out. You'll need that energy for work this week, too.

**Virgo (Aug. 24-Sept. 22)** — Virgo, a big opportunity comes your way that you shouldn't pass up. Resist the urge to point out all of the negatives and focus only on the positives for the time being.

**Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)** — There's more than meets the eye to a particular situation, but you seem biased, Libra. Consider all sides of the situation before you decide which

side you're on.

**Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)** — It's finally time for you to relax, Scorpio. After weeks of running here and there, you now have the opportunity to simply kick up your feet and enjoy yourself.

**Sagittarius (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** — What you may view as some innocent comments could be viewed much differently from someone else, Sagittarius. It's better to censor yourself when you can.

**Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 20)** — There is no easy way around the work you have to get done, Capricorn, but there are plenty of helpers who may be able to pitch in and lend a hand.

**Aquarius (Jan. 21-Feb. 18)** — Stop looking to others for solutions to your problems, Aquarius. The only one who is qualified to handle them is you and possibly a spouse or romantic partner.

**Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20)** — Pisces, this week you feel like you're walking around on a cloud. But you know well you have everything handled.

**Famous birthdays**

Aug. 5, Maureen McCormick, Actress, 56; Aug. 6, Geri Halliwell, Musician, 40; Aug. 7, Charlize Theron, Actress, 37; Aug. 8, Roger Federer, Athlete, 31; Aug. 9, Eric Bana, Actor, 44; Aug. 10, Antonio Banderas, Actor, 52; Aug. 11, Hulk Hogan, Wrestler, 59.

# Wife's choice of wardrobe for son is too girly for dad

**Dear Abby:** I'm becoming increasingly concerned about my wife, "Traci," and her influence over our 3-year-old son, "Grant." I love having a son, as does Traci, although she always wanted a little girl. Unfortunately, we haven't been able to have another child, and my wife's focus on our son appears to be somewhat skewed.

Over the last few months, Traci has been buying Grant more and more feminine clothing. I'm OK with a pink shirt now and then, but lately it has gotten out of hand. She has been close to dressing Grant in drag. My wife says not to take it so seriously, but it bothers me when people tell us we have a "lovely little girl."

I'm worried that what my wife is doing will have an adverse effect on my son, but at the same time I need to know if I'm overreacting.

— *It's a Boy!*

**Dear It's a Boy!** My experts tell me that there is no data that demonstrates what your wife is doing will cause gender confusion in your son. What's important is that you talk to her and express your concerns privately. Your little boy is at an age where he can sense stress in your marriage, and that could cause him problems later on. More important than what clothes he's wearing is decreasing the level of stress on the boy.



Dear Abby

**Dear Abby:** I'm dating a man who is genuine, considerate, thoughtful, humble, responsible, committed to his family, and we have great physical chemistry. Unfortunately, there is no intellectual/social "connection."

We have never had an intellectually stimulating conversation, and I'm not sure he's even someone I would have picked to be friends with, although we do share interests in the outdoors and our faith. I feel emotionally secure with him and keep wondering if I'm being overly critical or choosing to stay in a relationship out of fear of not finding someone better in time to start a family. (I'm in my early 30s.) Please advise.

— *Indecisive in Pleasanton, Calif.*

**Dear Indecisive:** To be frank, no one person has "everything." If intellectual stimulation is the quality that's most important to you, then the man you have been dating isn't the one for you. The fine qualities you listed would weigh heavily in his

favor with many women. What you must ask yourself is whether or not you can be with him and find intellectual stimulation elsewhere when you feel you need it.

**Dear Abby:** I have four grown children between the ages of 21 and 25. For years I had a career, supported them financially and put them through college and trade schools.

I remarried last January. My youngest daughter now says my kids are no longer No. 1 in my life and she will no longer speak to me. I told her my husband and all my children will always be No. 1 — just in a different way.

She's having a baby soon and hasn't included me in her life since January. Mind you, the baby is from a drug cartel man, they both have felonies, and she recently married her high school sweetheart.

I'm torn between getting on with my life or trying to reach out to her with hugs and kisses every now and then via snail mail. She has blocked me on Facebook and changed her cellphone number. Any suggestions?

— *Torn in Tucson*

**Dear Torn:** Yes. Get on with your life. On her birthday and at Christmas send cards to let her know you love her and are thinking of her. When she needs you for something, I guarantee she'll contact you. Until then,

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# 50 years later, Marilyn's star power still shines bright

By JOCELYN NOVECK  
AP National Writer

NEW YORK — Only 11 years after her death, Elton John sang his ode to Marilyn Monroe. "And I would have liked to have known you, but I was just a kid," went the lyrics. "Your candle burned out long before your legend ever did."

What John didn't know was how much truer his words would ring a few decades later.

Monroe passed away a half-century ago today, a murky death that remains one of Hollywood's most tantalizing mysteries. But look around: Her legend lives on, more vibrantly than ever. In a development this fiercely ambitious actress surely would have appreciated, this 1950's bombshell has become a 21st-century pop culture phenomenon.

Just flip through a celebrity magazine: Some-of-the-moment young starlet or pop singer will be channeling (or outright appropriating) those platinum locks, the bright red lips, moist and slightly parted, and that joyously, almost defiantly curvy figure, sheathed in something skin-tight and glamorous.

Was that Marilyn on the red carpet at last year's Teen Choice Awards? No, it was Taylor Swift, wearing a white halter-style dress just like Marilyn's in "The Seven Year Itch," in which the actress stood atop a subway grate and let the breeze of a passing train lift her skirts. (Oh, and that dress? It sold at auction last year for a mind-boggling \$5.6 million, including commission.)

Was that Marilyn in the Dolce & Gabbana ad a while back? No, it was Scarlett Johansson, all white-blonde hair and ruby lips. And there was Charlize Theron in a Dior ad last year, meeting up with the real Marilyn, not to mention Marlene Dietrich and Grace Kelly, via CGI. Magazine spreads have featured Nicole Kidman, Lindsay Lohan, Rihanna, Michelle Williams, Viola Davis and others having their Marilyn moment.

Madonna, of course, has famously appropriated Monroe's look into her image. So have singers Christina Aguilera and Gwen Stefani. In June, on what would have been Marilyn's 86th birthday, Lady Gaga tweeted "Happy Birthday Marilyn — They'll never take our blonde hair and lipstick," along with a picture of herself, Monroe-like. Nicki Minaj says she's "obsessed with Marilyn Monroe."

On the big screen, actress Williams earned an Oscar nomination for her moving portrayal of Monroe in "My Week With Marilyn." And one of TV's most popular new shows is "Smash" on NBC, which follows a Broadway musical based on Marilyn's life, with two actresses competing to play her.

Heck, there's even been a giant Marilyn traversing the country: A 26-foot-tall, 34,000-pound statue of the actress, white dress billowing and undies showing, by artist Seward Johnson, now resting in Palm Springs, Calif.

And there are plans for much more — thanks to the purchase in late 2010 of Monroe's estate, which includes her image, by Authentic Brands Group and



A statue of Marilyn Monroe stands at its new home in downtown Palm Springs, Calif. on May 16. Tourists and local residents snap photos of 'Forever Marilyn,' a 26-foot-tall sculpture of the Hollywood legend who was known to visit Palm Springs

its partner, NECA. The company's CEO, Jamie Salter, says he aims to upgrade the Marilyn brand by moving away from cheap souvenirs and developing Marilyn-themed cosmetic lines, spas and salons, sportswear, swimwear, footwear, handbags and more. There are even plans for — wait for it — the inevitable Marilyn Monroe reality show, in which young women would compete to become a new Hollywood icon.

But just what is the secret of Marilyn's enduring appeal? It depends on whom you ask — and that's fitting, really, because Marilyn, more than other iconic celebrities, was different things to different people.

There was, most simply, Marilyn the actress — a Marilyn that often got lost in all the hype, despite her desperate aspirations to be taken seriously. Film historian Leonard Maltin laments that many people know Marilyn "as an image and an icon," but not as an actress.

Monroe showed off her dramatic chops in "The Misfits," for example, and "Bus Stop." But she is probably best remembered for her delightful comic turns in "Gentlemen Prefer Blondes" as the gold-digging Lorelei Lee who sang "Diamonds Are a Girl's Best Friend" in that classic pink gown; as the sensuous but ditty Girl in "The Seven Year Itch"; and as sexy band singer Sugar Kane in "Some Like It Hot."

"Marilyn just leaps off the screen," says Maltin. "She

has a luminosity that transcends everything else."

Still, an entire younger generation is enamored of her for something completely different, says Brandon Holley, editor of Lucky magazine, which draws women in their 20s and 30s.

"I think most women under 40 haven't seen her movies," Holley says. "For them, she's a style type — the ultimate hourglass figure. And a lot of women identify with that."

Christopher Nickens agrees. "Marilyn was the epitome of a certain kind of feminine ideal," says the co-author of the recently released "Marilyn in Fashion," a rare look at Monroe's influence in that field. Her key fashion legacy, he says, was to bring body-conscious clothes into everyday life.

Though she wasn't seen as a fashion icon during her lifetime, Nickens thinks Marilyn shared something with other style icons like Jackie Kennedy, Grace Kelly, and Audrey Hepburn. "They didn't follow trends," he says. "It's about knowing yourself and what works for you, and having that confidence."

Confidence isn't necessarily something one associates with Monroe, of course. In that Elton John song, "Candle in the Wind," she's a beautiful innocent victimized by a terrible Hollywood machine — people who "whispered into your brain" and "set you on the treadmill" and "made you change your name."



Jane Russell, right, and Marilyn Monroe commemorate their 1953 hit movie 'Gentlemen Prefer Blondes' in the favored Hollywood way, planting their hands in a slab of freshly poured cement in front of Grauman's Chinese Theater in Hollywood, Calif.

## Marilyn's 5 best performances

By CHRISTY LEMIRE  
AP Movie Critic

LOS ANGELES — There is the well-honed Marilyn Monroe screen persona — the breathy, girlish voice, the glamorous curves and the flirty sex appeal — and then there are the films that allowed her to stretch, or at least allowed her to try. A devout Method actress, Monroe took her craft seriously, dug deep in search of motivation and worked harder than her effortless screen presence would suggest. For a while, that is, until her demons took over.

On the 50th anniversary of her death, here's a look at five of her most memorable film performances, the ones that stand out over her prolific but short career:

### Some Like It Hot (1959)

This was the first title that came to mind when I began pondering this list. Maybe because it's the best film she was ever in — the Billy Wilder classic is listed as the greatest comedy ever by the American Film Institute — but also, the role of Sugar Kane Kowalczyk is just so quintessentially "her." Monroe is totally magnetic, with innocence and sexuality in equal measure. As the lead singer of an all-girl orchestra, she gets to sing, dance, play the ukulele and show off her comic timing. Monroe finds a tricky balance between her otherworldly looks and a down-to-earth charm, and plays beautifully off Jack Lemmon and Tony Curtis.

### Gentlemen Prefer Blondes (1953)

Describing her performance as gold-digging Lorelei Lee as iconic would not be hyperbole. Her rendition of "Diamonds Are a Girl's Best Friend" remains so enduring, it inspired Madonna's "Material Girl" video, down to the blonde waves, candy-colored pink dress, admiring back-up dancers and tightly structured choreography. Monroe actually gets second billing behind Jane Russell in Howard Hawks' musical comedy, based on the Broadway show about a couple of showgirls and best friends who travel to Paris, run into misadventures and revel in all the attention thrown their way.

### The Seven Year Itch (1955)

Here's Monroe again at the center of one of film's most famous images: standing over a New York City subway grate, letting the wind from a passing train send her ivory, pleated halter dress billowing all around her. (The dress itself sold at auction last year for a whopping \$5.6 million, including commission.) But the whole performance is a great example of her screen presence in a nutshell: naive, sweet, beguiling and irresistible. She's such an idealized incarnation of classic female allure, she's known only as The Girl. Working for the first time with Wilder (who famously had difficulty with her), based on the George

Axelrod play, Monroe plays the sexy upstairs neighbor who bewitches Tom Ewell's character while his family is away for the summer.

### Bus Stop (1956)

A rare opportunity for Monroe to show some dramatic ability. But really, everything she can do is on display here: Joshua Logan's film, based on the William Inge play, offers the full range of Monroe's abilities. She stars as Cherie — that's pronounced "Sher-EE," not "Cherry" — a lousy saloon singer toiling away in Phoenix until she can find a way to get to Hollywood. Yes, her Arkansas accent grates — and if we're being honest, the way overzealous cowboy Don Murray carries her off and forces her into an engagement would merit a restraining order now.

### The Misfits (1961)

A poignant pop culture time capsule: This is not just Monroe's final film but Clark Gable's, too. Co-star Montgomery Clift would be dead a few years later. Monroe's then-husband, playwright Arthur Miller, wrote the script for her to give her a meatier role. But by all accounts, alcohol and pills made her an absolute mess and she was frequently late to John Huston's set. Given that her newly divorced character is drunk most of the time, along with the lost souls with whom she seeks solace in the Nevada desert, it's hard to tell where the performance ends and real life begins.

## Inspirational Thoughts & Scriptures



### Inspirational Thoughts

by Patricia Valentine

Psalm 62:5, "My soul, wait thou only upon God; for my expectation is from Him." Are you waiting to hear from God? Are you still waiting for God to answer your prayer? Too many of us,

when we pray, don't wait to hear God. We just simply pray and walk off. He has heard our request, now we must wait and listen with expectation of hearing from him. How can God speak to us if we don't take time to listen? Quietness is essential to listening. If we are too busy to listen, we won't hear. It takes time and quietness to prepare to listen to God. Some things He will tell us instantaneously. We're not always ready, so God will sometimes withhold information until we are prepared to listen. We must be willing to listen to him patiently, because these times may draw out and stretch our faith. He has promised to speak to our hearts. So we can expect him to, but he is not compelled to tell us everything we want to know the moment we desire the information. Again, are you still waiting for God to answer your prayer? When your mind begins to be still, ask God to speak about the decision facing you. Then Listen. **Be Blessed!**

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# ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

## Highlands Little Theatre celebrates 30th season with audience favorites

Special to the News-Sun  
SEBRING – With a blend of revivals and shows that were popular with past audiences and/or ranked high on the annual patron survey, Highlands Little Theatre presents its 30th series with “Annie”, “Auntie Mame”, “Sex Please We’re Sixty”, “A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum” and “Lend Me a Tenor.” Subscription packages are available now; tickets to individual shows will be available Oct. 10.



### The shows

The new year begins in November with “Annie”, the always popular musical based on the Little Orphan Annie comic strip. “Annie” has won seven Tony Awards on Broadway and has twice been chosen Best Play of the Year by HLT patrons. Auditions for “Annie”, directed by Mike McMillian, are 10 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. Aug. 17 for adult roles. Youth tryouts are 10 a.m. Aug. 18. The script was written by Thomas Meehan, music by Charles Strous and lyrics by Martin Charnin. The show runs Nov. 7-18 and is sponsored by the News-Sun.

Pete Pollard returns as the director of “Auntie Mame” Jan. 16-27. A Tony Award winning revival from HLT’s first season, “Auntie Mame” is about the adventures of a boy and his eccentric aunt spanning from the 1920s to the 1960s, and the zany characters they meet along the way. Written by Jerome Lawrence and Robert E. Lee, based on the novel by Patrick Dennis, the play is a comedic portrayal of a woman who meets all obstacles with good humor, unflagging spirit and a

remarkable ability to adapt and persevere in any situation.

“Sex Please We’re Sixty” is written by Florida playwrights Michael and Susan Parker, and directed by Art Harriman. Prim and proper Mrs. Stancliffe runs a Bed and Breakfast that caters to middle aged women. One neighbor, Bud, thinks the ladies come to see him. The other neighbor, Henry, develops Venusia, a little blue pill for women. Someone swaps Bud’s Viagra with Venusia, which causes him to experience the symptoms of menopausal women, and the fun begins. The show, which consistently ranked high on the annual patron survey, runs March 20 -31, 2013.

Tammie Pollard, who won both a Best Play and Best Director Zenon Award for “A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum” in 1997 returns to direct it again July 17 -28, 2013. Set in ancient Rome, “Forum” introduces us to the crafty slave Pseudolus, who will go to nearly any length to gain his freedom. After learning his master is in love with a courtesan who is promised to a soldier, Pseudolus begins a convoluted plan to use that

longing to his advantage. In the tradition of great farce, the plot twists and turns and includes slamming doors and mistaken identities. “Forum” won eight 1963 Tony Awards, was revived on Broadway in 1974 and 1996 was written by Burt Shevelove and Larry Gelbart. Music and lyrics are by Stephen Sondheim.

The last in the line of comedies will be “Lend Me a Tenor” written by Ken Ludwig and directed by Allan Grosman. Another farce, this one revolves around the mistaken identity of an opera singer and a cast of characters gone haywire. “Tenor” won two Tony Awards in 1989 and was chosen by Highlands Little Theatre patrons to receive the Best Play of the Year Zenon Award in 1994. “Lend Me a Tenor” takes the stage Sept. 11-22, 2013.

### Also new this season

Production runs have been shortened from three weeks to two to make room for an annual youth show. As requested by many attendees, two Saturday matinees have been added to each play, and evening shows will

begin at 7:30 p.m.

### Packages and special offers

Full Season Packages include all five shows: “Annie”, “Auntie Mame”, “Sex Please We’re Sixty”, “A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum” and “Lend Me a Tenor”. The Opening Night package, which is for the first Wednesday performance of each show, is \$70, or \$30 less than buying all five shows individually. All other evening and matinee Full Season packages are \$90, saving \$10.

Winter Triple Play Packages include the November, January and March productions: “Annie”, “Auntie Mame”, and “Sex Please We’re Sixty.” The Winter Opening Night package is \$42, a reduction of \$18. All other evening and matinee Winter Triple Play packages are \$51, or \$9 less.

Additionally, HLT is offering \$2 off one \$20 ticket to the upcoming “The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee” for each new 2012-2013 package purchased. “Spelling Bee”, directed by Rhonda Wilson, is the final show of the current season. The musical comedy is an adult take on the experiences of six adolescents competing in a local spelling bee. The funny story and jubilant score celebrates the joy of nerdiness and the triumph of doing the best that you can. “The 25th Annual Putnam County

Spelling Bee” runs Aug. 24-Sept. 9. The musical, which contains mild adult content and language, won Tony, Theatre World, Drama Desk and Lortel Awards when it was on Broadway.

### Box office

Packages and tickets may be purchased at the Box Office at 356 W. Center Ave., by phone at 382-2525 or online at www.highlandslittletheatre.org. Box Office hours are 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday-Friday, and one hour before shows start.

## Country duo Love and Theft start over, yet again

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — The members of country duo Love and Theft view the last few years as addition by subtraction.

First, they lost their record label. Then Brian Bandas, the third member of their trio, quit. But with a new deal with Sony Music Nashville imprint RCA Nashville and a single chugging up the charts, Eric Gunderson and Stephen Barker Liles love their new lives.

“We’re both on the same page,” Liles said. “We’re way closer friends than either of us were with Brian. We musically have the same influences. We have the same goals and visions with what we want to do with our band.”

“And let’s be honest,” Gunderson joked, “it doesn’t take a genius to realize that if you split money two ways instead of three ways, you make more money.” You can’t blame Gunderson, 27, and Liles, 28, for feeling nervous upon the release of their self-titled second album, which came out last week. They’ve been to this point before and had everything fall apart — twice.

Originally signed by Disney Music Group to Carolwood Records, that imprint was shuttered just a few months after the release of their debut album, “World Wide Open.” They moved to Disney’s Lyric Street, which was already home to another trio you might have heard of, Rascal Flatts. That label

closed in 2010, leaving the band to start over from scratch. They didn’t even have the rights to re-record their own music.

Executives at Sony had looked closely at the band early on and were again interested in signing a deal last year. But on the day the offer came through, Bandas called Gunderson and Liles and told them he was quitting.

They weren’t about to give up, though, and tried to convince label executives they were still viable as a duo.

“I think when you hear Stephen’s and Eric’s voices together that’s the answer right there,” Sony Music Nashville President and CEO

Gary Overton said.

When Overton first heard the group’s work as a trio, he said he liked the music but didn’t know who was singing what part. As a duo, Liles and Gunderson still trade off on vocals — sometimes mid-song — but there was something more distinctive about Love and Theft’s newest incarnation.

“They love to perform,” Overton said. “And I talked to our radio staff here and they said they checked them out at radio and radio loves them. But really it just comes down to that music piece. I spent a little time with those guys and I told them I don’t care if you’re a duo or a trio.”

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# CHALK TALK

## 21 graduate from SFSC Cross Over Academy

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**AVON PARK** — Twenty-one students in South Florida State College's Criminal Justice Academy's Cross Over Academy were honored in a graduation ceremony July 26.

Keynote speaker Shane Pollard, special agent in charge for the Florida Department of Law Enforcement, commended the class on finishing what they had started. "You are taking the extra step in your lives to better yourselves. Every single one of you that started together has finished together. That's not very common."

that they still have a lot to learn. "There's so much that comes along with the job than you can ever encompass. You cannot doubt yourself on the decisions you will be forced to make. Sometimes you will do everything right, and the outcome will still be the same, but it will be your character in those difficult times that defines you."

The Cross Over Academy assists those who are already correctional officers become law enforcement officers. The last Cross Over Academy was held in 2004.

"We don't hold the program often because it's a 457-contact hour program," said Jerry DeJonge, director,

SFSC Public Service Academy. "For six months, our students come to class every day from 6 to 10 p.m. after working 10- to 12-hour shifts at full-time jobs. Some miss out on important times with their families to do this. Cross Over Academy students have a high level of commitment."

"We only get one chance in the real world," said James West, student speaker. "As law enforcement officers, we will face all kinds of new challenges. Go enforce the laws in your community, but remember that law enforcement is only a small part of the job."



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 SFSC Cross Over Academy student Sherry L. Smith receives her certificate from Jerry DeJonge, director, SFSC Public Service Academy, during the academy's graduation ceremony held July 26. Smith was one of 21 students who graduated from the program. The last Cross Over Academy was held in 2004. Also present were Tim Backer (left), SFSC District Board of Trustees member, and Adam Martin, coordinator, Criminal Justice.



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 Nixolas Littlefield, of Sebring, recently attended Aviation Challenge at the U.S. Space and Rocket Center and won The Right Stuff Award.

## Sebring's Littlefield has the Right Stuff at Space and Rocket Center camp

*Special to the News-Sun*  
**HUNTSVILLE, Ala.** - Nixolas Littlefield, of Sebring, recently attended Aviation Challenge at the U.S. Space and Rocket Center where he received the camp's highest and most coveted award, The Right Stuff Award. This award, named for Tom Wolfe's 1979 book "The Right Stuff," is given to an outstanding trainee who goes above and beyond in leadership, teamwork and technology throughout the week. The week-long educational program promotes science, technology, engineering and math (STEM), while training students and adults with hands-on activities and missions based on teamwork, leadership and decision-making.

Nixolas was part of the Aviation Challenge MACH II Program, a program specifically designed for students

who have an interest in military aviation and the mechanics of flight. He spent the week training with a team that flew a simulated F/A-18 fighter jet. The crew learned critical land and water survival skills and mastered Top Gun flying maneuvers. Nixolas and crew returned to land in time to graduate with honors.

Aviation Challenge crew trainers who lead each 16-member team must have at least a year of college and 67 percent of the staff are college graduates. Aviation Challenge operates year-round in Huntsville, Ala., and uses fighter pilot training techniques to engage trainees in real-world applications of STEM subjects.

Students sleep in barracks designed to resemble military bays. More than 560,000 trainees have graduated from Space Camp and Aviation Challenge

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# Watery world is needed for animals, plants to survive



## News From The Watershed

Corine Burgess

Each plant community or ecosystem is unique in its makeup. The plants and animals that make their homes in different environments are adapted to their specific habitat. Aquatic environments such as swamps, marshes, rivers, streams, lakes and ponds support plants and animals that are unique to their watery world.

The plants in a wet ecosystem provide oxygen, shelter and food for the animals that live there. There are three different types of wetland plants including emergents, floating plants and submergents. All of these plants are important components to the ecosystem.

Emergents are plants that grow in the water but pierce the surface so that they are exposed to air. Pickerel weed is an example of an emergent plant. This perennial plant can reach heights of over three feet out of the water. The leaves are shiny, green and lance shaped. The flower is a purplish color and is tubular in form. Poking out of the water allows emergents to photo-

synthesize more efficiently as well as reproduce. Generally these types of plants are pollinated by wind or insects. The portion of the plant that is under water provides habitats for various micro and macro invertebrates, which are food for larger species of wildlife such as fish.

Floating plants have adapted so that their leaves float on the surface of the water. These plants can be free-floating or anchored to the bottom of the water body. Regardless of the type of floating plants, all provide food and habitat for fish and wildlife. The roots of floating-leaved plants provide a stable surface for successful fish spawning. When these aquatic plants die, they significantly contribute to the sediment, often making the water body shallower and nutrient rich.

American lotus is an example of a floating plant. Mostly known for its large, beautiful blooms, the seed pods are often sold as ornamental items. The flowers are approximately six inches wide and appear to be a luminescent yellow bloom floating on the water.

Growing underneath the water's surface are the submergents. Most of these plants are anchored to the bottom of the water body by roots, however some are actually free floating under the water with no roots. Coontail is actually a free



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**American Lotus is an example of a floating plant. These plants, as well as emergent and submergent vegetation have an important role to play in the ecosystem. Aquatic plants provide habitat and food for wildlife as well as contribute to the nutrients to the sediment.**

floating submersed plant that has feathery leaves which are arranged in whorls on the stem giving it the look of a raccoon's tail, which is how it got its name. Coontail does produce flowers, but they are so small that usually they are not seen. All submersed plants provide habitats for the smaller species that live in the water. These are consumed by fish and other wildlife. Once the plant dies, their decomposition by bacteria and fungi provides food for other aquatic species.

Many animals inhabit the wet areas of our planet. Dragonflies rely on plants that grow in wet areas. Although the dragonfly lives its

adult life on land, while in the larval stage it is completely aquatic. The female lays her eggs in the water. The eggs hatch into the nymphal stage, which have a special appendage on their head used to spear small fish. These nymphs are predators from the time they hatch from the eggs. These interesting insects actually go through a metamorphosis process where they grow their wings. Most of the life of a dragonfly is spent in the larva stage, which can be up to three years. Once the creature reaches adulthood, it lives only a few weeks.

Animals including fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals

can all be found in the wet ecosystems. Bluegill live in shallow and slow-moving waters. They prefer areas where there is an abundance of aquatic vegetation where they are able to hide and search for food. The adult fish feeds on aquatic insect larvae including that of the dragonfly. They will also munch on crayfish, leeches, snails and small fish.

Turtles are another creature that can be found in or near the water. They enjoy basking in the sun on a nearby log or rock where they can quickly dive into the water if threatened. Turtles are omnivores and will eat algae, aquatic plants, dead and live animals such as fish, snails and frogs.

There are literally thousands of plants and animals that rely on these watery worlds to survive. Wetlands are a very important piece of a healthy planet. In addition to providing homes, shelter and food to countless species of wildlife, these areas filter runoff water, ease flooding conditions and help stop erosion.

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### CHRISTIAN

■ **Cornerstone Christian Church**, 1850 US 27 South, Avon Park, FL 33825 (Saxon Hall in Reflection Community). Bill Raymond, Minister. Sunday, 10 a.m. Worship; Communion is available each week. Thursday, 7 p.m. Home Fellowship Group. Our goal is: Love Christ - Love People. For more information call 453-7679 or 453-8929.

■ **Eastside Christian Church**, 101 Peace Ave., Lake Placid, FL 33852 (two miles east of U.S. 27 on County Road 621), 465-7065. Ray Culpepper, senior pastor. Sunday: Bible classes, 9 a.m.; Worship Celebration with the Lord's Supper each week 10:15 a.m. Thelma Hall, organist; and Pat Hjort, pianist. Wednesday: Praise and Prayer, 6:30 p.m.; "Building God's Kingdom for Everyone." "Jesus Christ, the Way, Truth and Life!" "Alive and Worth the Drive!"

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

■ **First Christian Church**, 1016 W. Camphor St., Avon Park, FL 33825; (863) 453-5334; on the Web at [www.firstchristianap.com](http://www.firstchristianap.com). Our motto is "Jesus is First at First Christian Church." Greg Ratliff, Senior Minister; Bible School 9 a.m.; Worship 10 a.m.; Wednesday studies for all ages, 6 p.m. Nursery provided for all events.

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

### CHRISTIAN & MISSIONARY ALLIANCE

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

### CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

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

are our only preachers. All are welcome to come and partake of the comfort, guidance, support and healing found in the lesson-sermons.

### CHURCH OF BRETHREN

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

### CHURCH OF CHRIST

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

■ **Lake Placid Church of Christ**, 1069 Hwy 27 North, Lake Placid, FL 33852. Mailing address is P.O. Box 1440, Lake Placid, FL 33862. Jimmy Goins, pastor. Sunday morning worship is at 10 a.m. Sunday evening worship is 6 p.m. Bible class 9 a.m. Sundays and Wednesday evenings at 7 p.m. All are invited to join us. For more information, call the church at 863-465-4636 or visit the website <http://www.thelordsway.com/lakeplacidcofc/>.

■ **Sebring Parkway Church of Christ**, 3800 Sebring Parkway, Sebring, FL 33870; 385-7443. Minister: Kevin Patterson. Times of service are: Sunday Bible Class, 9 a.m.; Sunday Worship Service, 10 a.m.; Sunday Evening Service, 6 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Class, 7 p.m.

### CHURCH OF NAZARENE

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

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

### CHURCHES OF CHRIST IN CHRISTIAN UNION

■ **Community Bible Church - Churches of Christ in Christian Union**, (Orange Blossom Conference Center) 1400 C-17A North (truck route), Avon Park. Presenting Jesus Christ as the answer for time and eternity. Sunday morning worship service, 10:30 a.m. Nursery provided. Junior Church activities at same time for K-6 grade. Sunday School Bible hour (all ages), 9:30 a.m. (Transportation available.) Sunday evening praise and worship service, 6 p.m. Wednesday evening prayer service, 7 p.m. Children and youth activities at 7 p.m. Wednesday. Everyone is welcome, please come worship with us. Tom Schwankweiler, Pastor. Phone 453-6052.

# BOOKS

## Publisher's Weekly

### HARDCOVER FICTION

1. "Friends Forever" by Danielle Steel (Delacorte)
2. "Where We Belong" by Emily Giffin (St. Martin's)
3. "Gone Girl" by Gillian Flynn (Crown)
4. "Black List: A Thriller" by Brad Thor (Atria)
5. "The Fallen Angel" by Daniel Silva (Harper)
6. "I, Michael Bennett" by James Patterson, Michael Ledwidge (Little, Brown)
7. "Broken Harbor" by Tana French (Viking)
8. "Shadow of Night" by Deborah E. Harkness (Viking)
9. "Backfire" by Catherine Coulter (Putnam)
10. "Judgment Call" by J.A. Jance (William Morrow)
11. "Creole Belle" by James Lee Burke (Simon & Schuster)
12. "A Dance with Dragons" by George R.R. Martin (Bantam)
13. "The Next Best Thing: A Novel" by Jennifer Weiner (Atria Books)
14. "Wicked Business" by Janet Evanovich (Bantam)
15. "Calico Joe" by John Grisham (Doubleday)

## BEST-SELLERS

### HARDCOVER NONFICTION

1. "The Corruption Chronicles" by Tom Fitton (Threshold Editions)
2. "Wild" by Cheryl Strayed (Knopf)
3. "The Mobile Wave" by Michael Saylor (Vanguard)
4. "Killing Lincoln" by Bill O'Reilly & Martin Dugard (Holt)
5. "The Amateur" by Edward Klein (Regnery)
6. "Wheat Belly" by William Davis (Rodale Press)
7. "How: Why How We Do Anything Means Everything...in Business (and in Life)" by Dov Seidman (Wiley)
8. "Steve Jobs" by Walter Isaacson (Simon & Schuster)
9. "Cowards" by Glenn Beck (Threshold Editions)
10. "The Skinny Rules" by Bob Harper with Greg Critser (Ballantine)
11. "Bailout" by Neil Barofsky (Free Press)
12. "The Art & Making of the Dark Knight Trilogy" by Jody Duncan Jesser (Abrams)
13. "Dream Team" by Jack

- McCallum (Ballantine)
14. "Days of Destruction, Days of Revolt" by Chris Hedges (Nation Books)
15. "The Great Destroyer" by David Limbaugh (Regnery)

### MASS MARKET PAPERBACKS

1. "Happy Birthday" by Danielle Steel (Dell)
2. "The Litigators" by John Grisham (Dell)
3. "Lethal" by Sandra Brown (Grand Central)
4. "Safe Haven" by Nicholas Sparks (Grand Central)
5. "Private Games" by James Patterson (Vision)
6. "Split Second" by Catherine Coulter (Jove)
7. "Savor the Moment" by Nora Roberts (Jove)
8. "An Unsuitable Bride" by Jane Feather (Pocket Books)
9. "Family Affair" by Debbie Macomber (Avon)
10. "Sleepwalker" by Karen Robards (Pocket Books)
11. "The Silent Girl" by Tess Gerritsen (Ballantine Books)

12. "Gun Games" by Faye Kellerman (Harper)
13. "Explosive Eighteen" by Janet Evanovich (Bantam)
14. "The Dark Knight Rises" by Greg Cox (Titan Books)
15. "Trace" by Patricia Cornwell (Berkley)

### TRADE PAPERBACKS

1. "Fifty Shades of Grey" by E.L. James (Vintage)
2. "Fifty Shades Darker" by E.L. James (Vintage)
3. "Fifty Shades Freed" by E.L. James (Vintage)
4. "Bared to You" by Sylvia Day (Berkley)
5. "To Heaven And Back" by Mary C. Neal (WaterBrook Press)
6. "11/22/63" by Stephen King (Gallery Books)
7. "The Litigators" by John Grisham (Bantam)
8. "The Night Circus" by Erin Morgenstern (Anchor)
9. "In the Garden of Beasts" by Erik Larson (Broadway)
10. "Private Games" by James Patterson and Mark Sullivan (Vision)
11. "Rules of Civility" by Amor Towles (Penguin)

12. "A Stolen Life: a Memoir" by Jaycee Lee Dugard (Simon & Schuster)
13. "Maine" by J. Courtney Sullivan (Vintage)
14. "Fahrenheit 451" by Ray Bradbury (Simon & Schuster)
15. "A Discovery of Witches" by Deborah E. Harkness (Penguin)

## USA Today

1. "Fifty Shades of Grey" by E.L. James (Vintage)
2. "Fifty Shades Darker" by E.L. James (Vintage)
3. "Fifty Shades Freed" by E.L. James (Vintage)
4. "Gone Girl" by Gillian Flynn (Crown)
5. "Where We Belong" by Emily Giffin (St. Martin's Press)
6. "Friends Forever" by Danielle Steel (Delacorte)
7. "Mockingjay" by Suzanne Collins (Scholastic Press)
8. "Black List" by Brad Thor (Atria/Emily Bestler Books)
9. "Catching Fire" by Suzanne Collins (Scholastic Press)
10. "Bared to You: A Crossfire Novel" by Sylvia Day (Berkley)
11. "Fifty Shades Trilogy Bundle" 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. Church office 385-7649, for more information.

■ **St. Francis of Assisi Anglican 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. Thursday: Holy Communion with healing service, 9 a.m. Child care available at the 8 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Sunday service.

## EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH OF AMERICA

■ **The Church of the Way 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](mailto:thewaychurch@hotmail.com). Web site: [www.TheWayChurch.org](http://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](http://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](http://christlutheranavonpark.org).

■ **Faith Lutheran Church - LCMS**, 2740 Lakeview Drive, Sebring. Reverend Robert Reinhardt, Pastor. Church phone: 385-7848, Faith Child Development Center, 385-3232. Summer Sunday Worship Service, 10 a.m. Communion is served the first, third and fifth Sunday of the month. Sunday school and Bible classes, 9 a.m. Sunday. Worship service is broadcast at 10 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 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. 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](http://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 Pre-School director; and Noel Johnson, minister of youth and family life. Worship schedule after Easter through December: Worship service 10 a.m., and Education Hour, 8:45 a.m. Worship schedule for January through Easter: Worship service, 8:30 and 11 a.m., Education Hour 9:45 a.m. Traditional Service with Holy Communion each first and third Sunday. Non-Traditional Service each second, fourth and fifth Sunday. Seasonal mid-week services Wednesday evenings during Lent and Advent. Call church office for additional Worship times and special holiday services. Other activities and groups include:

Choirs; Ladies Guild and LWML; Men's Fellowship Group, Small Group Bible Studies as scheduled; Trinity Tots Pre-school, Youth Group activities (call for meeting times and dates). Visit us online at: [www.TrinityLutheranlp.com](http://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: Youth, 6-7:30 p.m.; Prayer time, 6:30 p.m. Todd Patterson, pastor; Andy McQuaid, associate pastor. Web site [www.bfcsebring.com](http://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. 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](mailto:lindadowning@live.com). Casey L. Downing, associate minister, [caseydowning@hotmail.com](mailto:caseydowning@hotmail.com). Church phone: 314-0482. Web site: [www.ctmforme.com](http://www.ctmforme.com)

■ **Crossroads of Life**, 148 E. Interlake Blvd., Lake Placid, FL 33852; Tel. 863-655-9163. The place of your Divine appointment. We expect our supernatural God to transform our lives through His power and grace. Come, learn of His plan and destiny for you. With His plan we receive His provision along with His perfect timing and opportunity. What you have longed for, but have been missing, can now be received. The direction you have been thirsty for will suddenly quench your parched soul. Come to experience what you have been missing for so long - empowerment in every area of life. We teach, train and send forth to win souls. You don't speak English - no problema. We have a Spanish interpreter. We look forward to fellowship and worship with you at 7 p.m. every Wednesday. Pastors Gil and Rosa Benton (Faith Never Fails).

■ **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., Colleague Ministry. [www.GBCconnected.org](http://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](http://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](http://www.weareunion.org).

■ **Unity Life Enrichment Centre**, new location, 10417 Orange Blossom Blvd. S., Sebring, FL 33875; 471-1122; e-mail [unity@vistanet.net](mailto:unity@vistanet.net). Web site, [www.unityofsebring.org](http://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: Traditional service, 10:30 a.m.; Sunday school, 9:15 a.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](mailto:covpres@strato.net); Web site: [www.cpcsebring.org](http://www.cpcsebring.org). 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 Thursday; Women's Ministries Combined Bible study, 4 p.m. third Thursday. Be a part of a warm, caring church family with traditional services, following biblical truth.

■ **First Presbyterian Church, ARP**, 319 Poinsettia Ave., Sebring, FL 33870. 385-0107. Email: [faith@htn.net](mailto:faith@htn.net), Rev. Darrell A. Peer, pastor. Sunday School, all ages, 9:30 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. Summer Camp (middle school), 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. daily. Wednesday: Adult Bible Study, 10:30 a.m. Nursery available during worship. Call the church office for more information and other classes.

■ **First Presbyterian Church, ARP**, [www.fpcip.com](http://www.fpcip.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 appointment, 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 rehearsals 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](mailto: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](mailto: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](http://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 Nathan Madrid.

## 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 Prayer meeting and lunch, noon. Tuesday: Bible study, 6:30 p.m.; and Women's Ministries, 7 p.m. Wednesday:

Youth Ministries, 4 p.m. All meetings are at 120 N. Ridgewood Ave., Sebring. For more information, visit the Web site [www.salvationarmysebring.com](http://www.salvationarmysebring.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 S. Lake Ave., Avon Park, FL 33825. (863) 453-3759, Devon Jarrett, 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 website: [www.fumcap.org](http://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](http://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](http://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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## Sebring Friends of the Library plan sale

*Special to the News-Sun*  
SEBRING — The Sebring Friends of the Library Book Store is featuring an August sale in several sections of their bookstore.

The bookstore is at 117 E. Center Ave. off The Circle. The bookstore consists of several rooms. There is the fireplace room, which has fiction, cookbooks, biography, large paperbacks, lots of self-help books sections and a Florida section. The front room has all the religious books.

There is a mystery room, which includes paranormal and fantasy, a romance room and a children's room. Signs have been posted throughout the store to let patrons know the sections that have sale items.

The store will be closed for reorganization and updates the month of September so don't forget to revisit the store in October. The Friends of the Library is a non-profit



The Friends of the Sebring Library will be closing the month of September for renovations.

organization that provides items that are not funded by the state or county to the Sebring Library.

The store is run by volunteers.

If interested in becoming a member and/or volunteer, the

annual dues are \$10 a year for membership.

For more information, contact the store at 314-0053.

## What healthcare reform plan means to you

Much was made of the size and complexity of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act when President Obama signed it into law in 2010. But now that the Supreme Court has upheld much of the act's constitutionality, it's a good time to review key provisions that have already gone live and to plot out what's expected to happen in the next two years.

Changes already in place include:

- Children under 19 cannot be denied coverage because of pre-existing conditions.

- Adult children may remain on parents' medical plan until they turn 26.

- Lifetime insurance maximum payouts were eliminated. In addition, annual coverage limits are being phased out. Effective Sept. 23, 2012 the annual limit increases to \$2 million.

- All new plans now must provide certain preventive services for free, such as mammograms, immunizations and colonoscopies.

- People who've been refused insurance because of preexisting conditions may now be eligible for coverage through a "high-risk pool" program. Go to



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www.pcip.gov/ for information and to apply online.

- Medicare Part D participants who reach the infamous doughnut hole now receive a 50 percent discount on brand-name prescription drugs – 14 percent on generics. (These discounts will gradually increase until 2020 when the doughnut hole will disappear.)

Many core features of the Affordable Care Act won't take full effect until 2014 and details are still being finalized, but here are highlights of what's expected to happen between now and then:

- By Aug. 1, 2012 insurance companies that didn't spend at least 85 percent of 2011 premium dollars for large group plans (over 50 employees) on medical care must refund the differ-

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## Parnell joins ERA Advantage Realty team

*Special to the News-Sun*  
SEBRING — ERA Advantage Realty recently announced the addition of Anna Parnell to its team of real estate sales professionals serving consumers in the Highlands County area.

When searching for a Realtor experience counts. Parnell is a 21-year veteran in the real estate industry. She specializes in all phases of real estate, including turning foreclosures into high profits.

"In today's market, growth is the only option, and attracting top talent is a surefire way to achieve that goal," said



Parnell

Greg Karlson, Broker-owner. "We are thrilled to have a professional of Anna's caliber join our firm."

"Unwavering commitment to clients has been critical to my success, and ERA Advantage

Realty culture of collaboration, innovation and knowledge sharing combined with its reputation for superior service will not only enhance my career, it will enhance the experience of my clients as well," Parnell said.

As part of ERA Advantage Realty, Parnell will be able to offer homebuyers and sellers a wide variety of innovative and market-relevant products programs such as the ERA Sellers Security Plan and the ERA Gold Star Property program as well as robust online marketing programs, extensive listings distribution partners, and related services including mortgage, title and home warranty.

Reach Parnell by calling ERA Advantage Realty's office at 386-1111, Parnell's direct line at 585-3451, email at annie1140@yahoo.com or stop by the office at 743 U.S. 27 South.

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**BUSINESS**

# MidFlorida gets nod for mergers

*Special to the News-Sun*  
**LAKELAND** – On the heels of the successful completion of the spin-off of Space Coast Credit Union's Tampa Bay assets to MidFlorida, MidFlorida has announced that federal and state regulators have given swift approval to move forward with two other mergers – Indian River Federal Credit Union and Bay Pines Federal Credit Union.

Both credit unions cited similar reasons for the decision to merge. Economic conditions and continuing changes in federal regulations were at the forefront, but also an interest on behalf of both credit unions to offer enhanced products and services and additional member convenience that would come as part of a credit union with a larger branch network and extended hours of operation.

As for selecting MidFlorida as a merger partner, William Garrett, president and CEO of Indian River Federal Credit Union stated, "MidFlorida's approach to improving each member's financial well-being coupled with the ability to provide access to branches across the state and new services such as mobile banking, bill pay and 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. extended drive-thru hours, made them an ideal merger candidate." The sentiment was shared by Anthony Dominick of Bay Pines Federal Credit Union as well.

If approved by the memberships, MidFlorida would add three new full-service locations (Vero Beach, Sebastian and Bay Pines) and its Central Florida service area would span from coast to coast. "We are thrilled at the expansion opportunity available to us through these mergers. With Bay Pines, our presence would increase to over 50,000 members and 12 locations in the greater Tampa Bay area. Adding Indian River will allow us to introduce the MidFlorida brand of banking to the east coast – a completely new market for us," stated Kevin Jones, president and CEO of MidFlorida.

MidFlorida is also excited to announce the opening of its Plant City branch. The new Plant City office opened today at 2903 James L. Redman Parkway. Including this branch, the new Brandon office scheduled to open on September 30, and the three offices gained through the above mergers, MidFlorida will soon have 38 offices in Central Florida, serving nearly 190,000 members with over \$1.8 billion in assets.

The final step for each credit union will be a member vote. Ballots will mail in early August to all members in good standing from each credit union. Members will be able to cast their vote by mail or at a special meeting of the membership. Both meetings are slated to take place during the fourth week of August.

## What the healthcare law will mean to you

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ence, through refund checks or discounted future premiums (80 percent for individual or small group plans).

- By Oct. 1, 2012 plans must begin adopting rules for the secure electronic exchange of health information – this will reduce paperwork, costs and medical errors.

- By Jan. 1, 2013 new federal funding will be in place to state Medicaid programs that choose to cover preventive services to patients at little or no cost.

- By Oct. 1, 2013 states will receive two additional years of funding to continue coverage for children not eligible for Medicaid.

Effective Jan. 1, 2014 most key provisions will be in place. For example:

- Individuals and those whose employers don't offer health insurance will be able to buy it directly from state-based Affordable Insurance Exchanges, which will offer a choice of health plans that meet certain benefits and cost standards.

- Most who can afford basic health coverage will be required to obtain it or pay a fee to offset the costs of caring for uninsured Americans.

- Americans earning less than 133 percent of the poverty level will be eligible to enroll in Medicaid.

- Refundable tax credits will be available to those earning between 100 and

400 percent of the poverty level to help pay for affordable insurance. They also may qualify for reduced copayments, coinsurance and deductibles.

- Annual coverage dollar amount limits will be prohibited.

- Adults will no longer be refused coverage due to pre-existing conditions.

- Insurance companies will no longer be able to charge higher rates to individuals and small groups due to gender or health status.

These are only a few of the many healthcare changes we'll see as a result of the Affordable Care Act. To learn more, please visit [www.HealthCare.gov](http://www.HealthCare.gov).

*Jason Alderman directs Visa's financial education programs. To follow Jason Alderman go to [www.twitter.com/PracticalMoney](http://www.twitter.com/PracticalMoney).*



Courtesy photo  
**Linda Riggs, co-owner of Sebring Signs and Promotions, will add national sales manager for American Car Signs to her job duties.**

## Riggs joins American Car Signs

*Special to the News-Sun*  
**SEBRING** – A new direction for New York-based manufacturing company American Car Signs was established in July 2012. Its owner, Eulaila Kulikoff, has entered into a partnership arrangement with Linda Riggs, co-owner of Sebring Signs and Promotions at the corner of Lakeview Drive and Kenilworth Drive.

She will now serve American Car Signs as the national sales manager, and will continue to oversee the operations at Sebring Signs and Promotions.

Riggs has been in the sign industry since 1989. She has added more large format printing for the purpose of manufacturing plastic back-lit film for the inserts in the sign units for American Car Signs.

The signs provide a LED lit box sign unit that can light up the inside or outside of your business or on the roof top of your automobile or golf cart.

Sebring Signs and Promotions is at 1570 Lakeview Drive No. 108; the phone is 471-1800. For more on American Car Signs, visit [AmericanCarSigns.com](http://AmericanCarSigns.com).

## US hiring picks up in July with 163,000 jobs added

**WASHINGTON (AP)** — Employers added 163,000 jobs in July after three months of sluggish hiring, a pleasant surprise that could signal the U.S. economy may be resilient enough to shake off a midyear slump.

The economy has added an average of 151,000 jobs a month this year, although that's not been enough to drive down the unemployment rate, which ticked up to 8.3 percent from 8.2 percent in June. The Labor Department's July employment report did little to settle the political debate about the economy, with Obama administration officials and Gov. Mitt Romney seizing on the latest data to bolster their campaigns with less than four months to go until Election Day.

Before Friday's report, economists were increasingly worried that a slowdown in hiring and growth from April through June could get worse and develop into something more long-lasting. Now they are breathing a little easier.

"After a string of disappointing economic reports ... we'll certainly take it," said James Marple, senior economist at TD Economics.

Stocks rose sharply in midday trading. The Dow Jones industrial average added 247 points to 13,126, while the broader Standard & Poor's 500 index rose 28 points to 1,393.

The government uses two surveys to measure employment trends. Hiring is measured through a survey of businesses. The unemployment rate comes from a survey of households and is calculated by dividing the number of

people who say they are unemployed by the size of the labor force. In July, more people said they were unemployed, while the size of the labor force shrank.

Economists say the business survey is more reliable. A better outlook on hiring

could make the Federal Reserve reluctant to take more action to spur growth. The Fed, which ended a two-day policy meeting Wednesday, signaled in a statement a growing inclination to take further steps if hiring doesn't pick up.

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LOT 9, BLOCK 2, H.E. COY SUBDIVISION, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 1, PAGE 9, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA. A/K/A 7TH ELDER STREET, AVON PARK, FL 33825

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 sixty (60) days after the sale

WITNESS MY HAND and the seal of the Court on July 25, 2012.

ROBERT W. GERMAINE Clerk of the Circuit Court By: /s/ Priscilla Michalak Deputy Clerk

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION CASE NO.: 10000029GCS BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING, L.P. F/K/A COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING, L.P. Plaintiff, vs. JANET LAFATA; MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS INCORPORATED AS A NOMINEE FOR COUNTRYWIDE BANK FSB; VINCENT A. LAFATA; 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 17th day of July, 2012, and entered in Case No. 10000029GCS, of the Circuit Court of the 10TH Judicial Circuit in and for Highlands County, Florida, wherein BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING, L.P. F/K/A COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING, L.P. is the Plaintiff and JANET LAFATA, MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS INCORPORATED AS A

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NOMINEE FOR COUNTRYWIDE BANK FSB; VINCENT A. LAFATA AND UNKNOWN TENANT(S) IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY, and UNKNOWN TENANT(S) IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY are defendants. The Clerk of this Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the HIGHLANDS COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 430 SOUTH COMMERCE AVENUE, SEBRING, FL 33870, 11:00 AM on the 17th day of August, 2012, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

LOT 3, BLOCK 28, SUN N LAKE ESTATES OF SEBRING, UNIT 2, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 9, PAGE 48, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.

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Dated this 18th day of July, 2012.

Robert W. Germaine Clerk Of The Circuit Court By: /s/ Priscilla Michalak Deputy Clerk July 29; August 5, 2012

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION CASE NO. 2012-CA-000126-0 DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE FOR FREMONT HOME LOAN TRUST 2006-2, ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-2, Plaintiff, vs. PEDRO A. DIAZ A/K/A PEDRO DIAZ AND OLIVIA HERNANDEZ, et al. Defendant. NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated July 18, 2012, and entered in Case No. 2012-CA-000126-0 of the Circuit Court of the TENTH Judicial Circuit in and for Highlands County, Florida, wherein DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE FOR FREMONT HOME LOAN TRUST 2006-2, ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-2, is the Plaintiff and PEDRO A. DIAZ A/K/A PEDRO DIAZ; OLIVIA HERNANDEZ; MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., AS NOMINEE FOR FREMONT INVESTMENT & LOAN; UNKNOWN TENANT #1; UNKNOWN TENANT #2 are the Defendant(s). Robert Germaine as the Clerk of the Circuit Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at 430 SOUTH COMMERCE AVENUE, SEBRING, FL 33870 AT 11:00 A.M. on August 20, 2012, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

LOT 13, BLOCK 143, LAKEWOOD TERRACES, SHEET 3, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 2 PAGE 94, 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 19th day of July, 2012.

Robert Germaine As Clerk of the Court By: /s/ Priscilla Michalak As Deputy Clerk

IMPORTANT If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the Office of the Court Administrator, (863) 534-4690, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; Notice of Foreclosure Sale; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call TDD (863) 534-7777 or Florida Relay Service 711.

July 29; August 5, 2012

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION Case No.: 28-2011-CA-000941 Division: Civil DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE FOR THE REGISTERED HOLDERS OF NOVASTAR MORTGAGE FUNDING TRUST, SERIES 2007-2 NOVASTAR HOME EQUITY LOAN ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-2 Plaintiff, vs. PATTY LEE YOUNG A/K/A PATTY L. YOUNG; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF PATTY LEE YOUNG A/K/A PATTY L. YOUNG; CITY OF SEBRING, FLORIDA; UNKNOWN PERSON(S) IN POSSESSION OF THE

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SUBJECT PROPERTY: ALL OTHER UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING INTERESTS BY, THROUGH, UNDER, AND AGAINST A NAMED DEFENDANT(S) WHO ARE NOT KNOWN TO BE DEAD OR ALIVE, WHETHER SAME UNKNOWN PARTIES MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST AS SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS, Defendants. NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Summary Judgment dated July 17, 2012, entered in Civil Case No.: 28-2011-CA-000941, of the Circuit Court of the Tenth Judicial Circuit in and for Highlands County, Florida, wherein DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE FOR THE REGISTERED HOLDERS OF NOVASTAR MORTGAGE FUNDING TRUST, SERIES 2007-2 NOVASTAR HOME EQUITY LOAN ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-2 is Plaintiff, and PATTY LEE YOUNG A/K/A PATTY L. YOUNG AND CITY OF SEBRING, FLORIDA, are Defendants.

I will sell to the highest bidder for cash at 11:00 AM at the Jury Assembly Room, Basement, 430 South Commerce Avenue, Sebring, FL 33870 on 15th day of August, 2012, the following described real property as set forth in said Final Summary Judgment, to wit:

LOTS 39 AND 40, BLOCK 176-B, SEBRING SUMMIT, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 2, PAGE 62, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.

This property is located at the Street address of: 1731 Evangeline Ave., Sebring, FL 33870.

If you are a person claiming a right to funds remaining after the sale, you must file a claim with the clerk no later than 60 days after the sale. If you fail to file a claim you will not be entitled to any remaining funds. After 60 days, only the owner of record as of the date of the lis pendens may claim the surplus.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of the court on July 18, 2012.

ROBERT W. GERMAINE As Clerk of the Court By: /s/ Priscilla Michalak Deputy Clerk (COURT SEAL) July 29; August 5, 2012

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION Case No.: 10000915GCS Division: Civil FREEDOM MORTGAGE CORPORATION Plaintiff, vs. GEORGE DAVID SIBREL; PATRICIA MAE SIBREL; PRAIRIE OAKS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC.; UNKNOWN TENANT #1; UNKNOWN TENANT #2, Defendants. NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Summary Judgment dated June 28, 2012, entered in Civil Case No.: 10000915GCS of the Circuit Court of the Tenth Judicial Circuit in and for Highlands County, Florida, wherein FREEDOM MORTGAGE CORPORATION is Plaintiff, and GEORGE DAVID SIBREL; PATRICIA MAE SIBREL; PRAIRIE OAKS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC.; UNKNOWN TENANT #1; UNKNOWN TENANT #2, are Defendants.

I will sell to the highest bidder for cash at 11:00 AM at the Jury Assembly Room, Basement, 430 South Commerce Avenue, Sebring, FL 33870 on 30th day of August, 2012, the following described real property as set forth in said Final Summary Judgment, to wit:

LOT 47, OF PRAIRIE OAKS PHASE I ADDITION, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 15, AT PAGE 87, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.

This property is located at the Street address of: 3020 WYNSTONE DR., SEBRING, FL 33875.

If you are a person claiming a right to funds remaining after the sale, you must file a claim with the clerk no later than 60 days after the sale. If you fail to file a claim you will not be entitled to any remaining funds. After 60 days, only the owner of record as of the date of the lis pendens may claim the surplus.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of the court on July 29, 2012.

ROBERT W. GERMAINE As Clerk of the Court By: /s/ Priscilla Michalak Deputy Clerk (COURT SEAL) IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT, 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 Services), 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.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY CIVIL DIVISION Case No. 28-2012-CA-000446 WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A. Plaintiff, vs. HERBERT G. ORELLANA, ELIZABETH ORELLANA, et al. Defendants. NOTICE OF ACTION TO: ELIZABETH ORELLANA CURRENT RESIDENCE UNKNOWN LAST KNOWN ADDRESS 20 NAVARRE AVE CORAL GABLES, FL 33134 You are notified that an action to foreclosure a mortgage on the following property in Highlands County, Florida:

UNIT A-201, THUNDERBIRD HILL MANOR CONDOMINIUM, ACCORDING TO THE DECLARATION OF CONDOMINIUM RECORDED IN O.R. BOOK 969, PAGE 225, AND AMENDMENT RECORDED IN O. BOOK 970, PAGE 602, AND AMENDMENT RECORDED IN O.R. BOOK 1095, PAGE 0394, ALL OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.

LYING IN THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 27, TOWNSHIP 34 SOUTH, RANGE 28 EAST, HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.

commonly known as 611 MANOR CIR # A-201, 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 Paul M. Messina, Jr. of Kass Shuler, P.A., plaintiff's attorney, whose address is P.O. Box 800, Tampa, Florida 33601, (813)229-0900, on or before August 20, 2012, (or 30 days from the first date of publication, whichever is later) and file the original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on the Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise, a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

Dated: July 20, 2012.

CLERK OF THE COURT Honorable ROBERT W. GERMAINE 590 S. Commerce Avenue Sebring, Florida 33870-3701 /s/ Lisa Tantillo Deputy Clerk (COURT SEAL) July 29; August 5, 2012

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION CASE NO. 11-000640GCS LAS PALMAS RESORT HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., a non-profit Florida corporation, Plaintiff, vs. FRANK ORPHE and JULIA GRANT, et al.; Defendant(s). NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Default Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated the 19th day of July, 2012 and entered in Case No. 11-000640GCS, of the Circuit Court of the 10th Judicial Circuit in ad for Highlands County, Florida, wherein LAS PALMAS RESORT HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., a non-profit Florida corporation, is the Plaintiff, and FRANK ORPHE and JULIA GRANT, are the Defendant(s). I will sell to the highest bidder for cash at the Highlands County Courthouse, in Sebring, Florida at 11:00 a.m. on the 17th day of August, 2012, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

Lot No. 623 PLEASE SEE ATTACHED EXHIBIT "A" PROPERTY ADDRESS: 432 LAS PALMAS CIRCLE, AVON PARK, FLORIDA 33825 LOT 623 EXHIBIT A A PORTION OF LOT 12, BLOCK 4, TOWN OF AVON PARK, SECTION 23, TOWNSHIP 33 SOUTH, RANGE 28 EAST, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 1, PAGE 33 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF DESOTO COUNTY (OF WHICH HIGHLANDS COUNTY WAS FORMERLY A PART), FLORIDA, BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCE AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID LOT 12; THENCE NORTH 90 DEGREES 00'00" EAST, ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF SAID LOT 12, 102.00 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 12'35" WEST, PARALLEL TO THE WEST LINE OF SAID LOT 12, 330.01 FEET; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 47'25" WEST, 42.36 FEET FOR THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 52'43" EAST, 58.00 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 07'17" EAST, 26.70 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 52'43" WEST, 58.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 07'17" WEST, 26.70 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.

DATED this 19th day of July, 2012, in Highlands County, Florida.

BOB GERMAINE, as Clerk of the Court By: /s/ Priscilla Michalak Deputy Clerk July 29; August 5, 2012

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 10TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION CASE NO.: 2012-CA-000058 BANK OF AMERICA, NA, Plaintiff, vs. PAMELA CAMPBELL, Defendants. NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated the 17th day of July, 2012, and entered in Case No. 2012-CA-000058, of the Circuit Court of the 10TH Judicial Circuit in and for Highlands County, Florida, wherein BANK OF AMERICA, N.A. is the Plaintiff and PAMELA CAMPBELL IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY are defendants. The Clerk of this Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the HIGHLANDS COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 430 SOUTH COMMERCE AVENUE, SEBRING, FL 33870, 11:00 AM on the 17th day of August, 2012, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

LOT 55 OF GRAND OAKS ON LAKE DAMON, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 16, PAGE 85, 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.

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.

Dated this 18th day of July, 2012.

Robert W. Germaine Clerk Of The Circuit Court By: /s/ Priscilla Michalak Deputy Clerk July 29; August 5, 2012

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION Case No.: 10-2666GCS Division: Civil NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE, LLC. Plaintiff, vs. FRANK GUERRERO; JUDY CHAPARRO; SUN 'N LAKE OF SEBRING PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.; UNKNOWN TENANT #1; UNKNOWN TENANT #2, Defendants. NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Summary Judgment dated July 24, 2012, entered in Civil Case No.: 10-2666GCS, of the Circuit Court of the Tenth Judicial Circuit in and for Highlands County, Florida, wherein NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE, LLC. is Plaintiff, and FRANK GUERRERO; JUDY CHAPARRO; SUN 'N LAKE OF SEBRING PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.; UNKNOWN TENANT #1; UNKNOWN TENANT #2, are Defendants.

I will sell to the highest bidder for cash at 11:00 AM in the Jury Assembly Room in the Basement of the Highlands County Courthouse, located at 430 South Commerce Avenue, Sebring, Florida, 33870 on the 21st day of August, 2012, the following described real property as set forth in said Final Summary Judgment, to wit:

LOT 6, IN BLOCK 191, OF SUN 'N LAKE ESTATES OF SEBRING UNIT 11, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 9, AT PAGE 69, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.

This property is located at the Street address of: 5621 CORTEZ BLVD, SEBRING, FLORIDA 33872.

If you are a person claiming a right to funds remaining after the sale, you must file a claim with the clerk no later than 60 days after the sale. If you fail to file a claim you will not be entitled to any remaining funds. After 60 days, only the owner of record as of the date of the lis pendens may claim the surplus.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of the court on July 26, 2012.

ROBERT W. GERMAINE As Clerk of the Court By: /s/ Priscilla Michalak Deputy Clerk (COURT SEAL) IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT, 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 Services), 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.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE 10TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO.: 28-2009-CA-000091 U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR THE GSAMP TRUST 2006-NC1 MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-NC1, Plaintiff, vs. BETTY GODFREY, A/K/A BETTY JO GODFREY, A/K/A BETTY JONES COLLINS; et al., Defendants. RE-NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Summary Judgment of Foreclosure dated June 23, 2009, and entered in Case No. 28-2009-CA-000091 of the Circuit Court of the 10th Judicial Circuit in and for Highlands County, Florida, wherein U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR THE GSAMP TRUST 2006-NC1 MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-NC1, is Plaintiff and BETTY GODFREY, A/K/A BETTY JO GODFREY, A/K/A BETTY JONES COLLINS; et al., are Defendants. I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash in the Jury Assembly Room, Basement 430 South Commerce Avenue, Sebring, FL at 11:00 o'clock A.M. on the 16th day of August, 2012, the following described property as set forth in said Summary Final Judgment, to wit:

LOTS 12814, 12815, 12817 AND 12818 INCLUSIVE OF AVON PARK LAKES, UNIT 40, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 5, PAGE 83, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.

Street Address: 1905 WEST NASSAU ROAD, AVON PARK, FL 33825 and all fixtures and personal property located therein or thereon, which are included as security in Plaintiff's mortgage.

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus funds 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 at Sebring, Highlands County, Florida, this 19th day of July, 2012.

Bob Germaine Clerk of said Circuit Court By: /s/ Priscilla Michalak As Deputy Clerk July 29; August 5, 2012

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO.: 2009-CA-001609 BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING, L.P. F/K/A COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING, L.P. Plaintiff, vs. ANTHONY D. CASERTA, Defendant(s). NOTICE OF SALE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order of Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated July 18, 2012 entered in Civil Case No. 2009-CA-001609 of the Circuit Court of the 10th Judicial Circuit in and for Highlands County, Florida, wherein BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING, L.P. F/K/A COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING, L.P., Plaintiff and ANTHONY D. CASERTA are defendants(s). I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at 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., August 17, 2012, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to-wit:

LOT 27, BLOCK 100, PLACID LAKES SECTION FOURTEEN, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 8, PAGE 19, 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.

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 Court Administration at 430 S.Commerce Avenue, Sebring, Florida 33870, telephone (863)534-4690, within two (2) working days of receipt of this Notice; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 1-800-955-8771.

ROBERT W. GERMAINE CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT Highlands County, Florida By: /s/ Priscilla Michalak Deputy Clerk of Court

ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF: SHAPIRO, FISHMAN & GACHE, LLP 4630 Woodland Corporate Blvd. Suite 100 Tampa, FL 33614 (813)880-8888 (813)880-8800

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 10TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION  
Case No.: 282010CA000707A000XX  
AURORA LOAN SERVICES, LLC, Plaintiff,  
vs.  
C. GAIL SWANSON; 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 27th day of July, 2012, and entered in Case No. 282010CA000707A000XX, of the Circuit Court of the 10TH Judicial Circuit in and for Highlands County, Florida, wherein AURORA LOAN SERVICES, LLC is the Plaintiff and C. GAIL SWANSON and UNKNOWN TENANT(S) IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY are defendants. The Clerk of this Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the HIGHLANDS COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 430 SOUTH COMMERCE AVENUE, SEBRING, FL 33870, 11:00 AM on the 22nd day of August, 2012, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit: LOT 2, BLOCK K, SPRING LAKE, SECTION ONE, ACCORDING TO THE MAP OR PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 9, PAGE 23, 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 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.

Dated this 27th day of July, 2012.

Robert W. Germaine  
Clerk Of The Circuit Court  
By: /s/ Priscilla Michalak  
Deputy Clerk  
August 5, 12, 2012

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION  
Case No.: 12-358-GCS  
HIGHLANDS INDEPENDENT BANK, Plaintiff,  
vs.  
DELROY A. REID and TANYA FOSTER, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the "Final Judgment on Verified Complaint" (the "Final Judgment"), entered in the above-styled action on July 18, 2012, the Clerk of Highlands County will sell the property situated in Highlands County, Florida, as described below at a Public Sale, to the highest bidder, for cash, at 430 South Commerce Avenue, Sebring, Florida 33870, on August 20, 2012, at 11:00 a.m.

PARCEL 1  
Lot 20, Block 152A, of Leisure Lakes, Section 3, according to the Plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 6, Page 25, of the Public Records of Highlands County, Florida.

And  
PARCEL 2  
Lot 21, Block 152A, of Leisure Lakes, Section 3, according to the Plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 6, Page 25, of the Public Records of Highlands County, Florida.

The Real Property or its address is commonly known as 3221 and 3223 Lake June Boulevard, Lake Placid, FL 33852. The Real Property tax identification number is C-21-36-29-030-152A-0200 & C-21-36-29-030-152A-0210.

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

BOB GERMAINE  
Clerk of the Circuit Court  
Highlands County, Florida  
/s/ Priscilla Michalak  
Deputy Clerk  
July 29; August 5, 2012

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION  
Case No.: 12-387-GCS  
HIGHLANDS INDEPENDENT BANK, Plaintiff,  
vs.  
FERNANDO LUGO, GOLF VILLAS AT PLACID LAKES COMMUNITIES HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., a Florida non-profit corporation, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the "Final Judgment on Verified Complaint" (the "Final Judgment"), entered in the above-styled action on July 18, 2012, the Clerk of Highlands County will sell the property situated in Highlands County, Florida, as described below at a Public Sale, to the highest bidder, for cash, at 430 South Commerce Avenue, Sebring, Florida 33870, on August 21, 2012, at 11:00 a.m.

UNIT 307 at Golf Villas at PLACID LAKES COMMUNITIES, which is more particularly described as:  
Commence, at the Northeast corner of Tract "E-E" COUNTRY CLUB COMPLEX OF PLACID LAKES SECTION ELEVEN as per plat recorded in Plat Book 9, page 74, of the Public Records of Highlands County, Florida, thence run S. 1 degree 13' E along the East line of Tract "EE" for a distance of 479.13 feet; thence run S. 88 degrees 47' W, for a distance of 144.15 feet, thence run S. 1 degree 13' E, for a distance of 38.70 feet; thence run S. 56 degrees 03'20" E, for a distance of 29.67 feet; thence run S. 33 degrees 56'40" W, for a distance of 13.66 feet for the Point of Beginning; thence continue S. 33 degrees 56'40" W, for a distance of 16.67 feet; thence run N. 56 degrees 03'20" W, for a distance of 8.84 feet; thence run N. 33 degrees 56'40" E, for a distance of 2.83 feet; thence run N. 56 degrees 03'20" W, for distance of 8.33 feet, thence run S. 33 degrees 56'40" W, for a distance of 2.83 feet, thence run N. 56 degrees 03'20" W, for a distance of 12.50 feet; thence run S. 33 degrees 56'40" W, for a distance of 0.33 feet; thence run N. 56 degrees 03'20" W, for a distance of 6.00 feet; thence run N. 33 degrees 56'40" E, for a distance of 17.33 feet; thence S. 56 degrees 03'20" E, for a distance of 6.00 feet; thence run S. 33 degrees 56'40" W, for a distance of 0.33 feet; thence run S. 56 degrees 03'20" E, for a distance of 29.67 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.

BOB GERMAINE  
Clerk of the Circuit Court  
Highlands County, Florida  
/s/ Priscilla Michalak  
Deputy Clerk  
August 5, 12, 2012

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 10TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO. 282009CA001630A0000XX  
PNC BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION SUCCESSOR BY NATIONAL CITY BANK SUCCESSOR BY HARBOR FEDERAL SAVINGS BANK Plaintiff,  
vs.  
PATRICK J. WILLIAMS, et al. Defendant(s)

NOTICE OF SALE  
PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45  
NOTICE IS HEREBY given pursuant to an Order or Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated July 19, 2012, and entered in Case No. 282009CA001630A0000XX of the Circuit Court of

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the 10th Judicial Circuit in and for Highlands County, Florida, wherein PNC BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION SUCCESSOR BY NATIONAL CITY BANK SUCCESSOR BY HARBOR FEDERAL SAVINGS BANK is the Plaintiff and PATRICK J. WILLIAMS; SAFFIATU BETTY KANDEH; UNKNOWN SOUSE OF SAFFIATU BETTY KANDEH, AND NY-SOLA GRANT, are the Defendants, the Clerk of Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash in the Jury Assembly Room, Basement, of the Highlands County Courthouse, 430 South Commerce Avenue, Sebring, FL 33870, at 11:00 a.m. Eastern Time, on August 14, 2012, the following described property set forth in said Order of Final Judgment, to wit:  
Being a parcel of land lying in Section 12, Township 38 South, Range 30 East, Highlands County, Florida and being more particularly described as follows:

Commence at the Northeast corner of said section 12; thence bear S 00 degrees 03'13" W, along the East line of said section 12, for a distance of 865.52 feet to the point of beginning; thence continue S 00 degrees 03'13" N, along said East line of section 12, for a distance of 558.81 feet to a point; thence bear S 89 degrees 10'08" W for a distance of 1552.52 feet to a point; thence bear N 00 degrees 0'13" E for a distance of 561.22 feet to a point; thence bear N 89 degrees 10'08" E for a distance of 1552.52 feet to the point-of-beginning.

Containing 20.0 acres, more or less, and being subject to any and all easements, restrictions, reservations and rights of way of record.

Together with and subject to the following described easements:  
A 50.00 feet perpetual non-exclusive easement for right of way ingress, egress and regress lying in sections 1 and 12, Township 38 South, Range 30 East, Highlands County, Florida, and being more particularly described as the West 50.00 feet of Said sections 1 and 12, Township 38 South, Range 30 East, Highlands County, Florida; And

Being 70.00 feet easements for the purpose of ingress, egress, utilities and drainage, lying in sections 1 and 12, Township 38 South, Range 30 East, Highlands County, Florida, and being more particularly described as follows: being the East 70.00 feet of sections 1 and 12, Township 38 South, Range 30 East, Highlands County, Florida; And

Lying in section 1, Township 38 South, Range 30 East, Highlands County, Florida and being 35.00 feet on either side of and parallel with the following described centerline:

Commence at the Southwest corner of said section 1; thence bear N 00 degrees 30'32" E along the West line of said section 1, for a distance of 200.23 feet to the point of Beginning of said centerline of easement; thence bear N 89 degrees 10'08" E for a distance of 5288.00 feet to the intersection with the East line of said section 1, and the point of terminus of said centerline of easement;

And  
Lying in sections 1 and 12, Township 38 South, Range 30 East, Highlands County, Florida, and being 35.00 feet on either side of and parallel with the following described centerline:

Commence at the Southwest corner of said section 1; thence bear N 00 degrees 30'32" E, along the West line of said section 1, for a distance of 200.23 feet to a point; thence bear N 89 degrees 10'08" E for a distance of 3058.61 feet to the point of beginning of said centerline of easement; thence bear the following bearings and distances along Said centerline of easement:  
S 08 degrees 54'09" W for a distance of 256.25 feet to a point;  
S 39 degrees 34'01" W for a distance of 191.60 feet to a point;  
S 26 degrees 1439' W for a distance of 214.13 feet to a point;  
S 33 degrees 09'48" W for a distance of 125.94 feet to a point;  
S 54 degrees 3435' W for a distance of 60.99 feet to a point;  
S 72 degrees 60'41" W for a distance of 105.22 feet to a point;  
S 89 degrees 44'11" W for a distance of 360.18 feet to a point;  
S 75 degrees 06'10" W for a distance of 241.98 feet to a point;  
S 14 degrees 55'30" W for a distance of 107.03 feet to a point;  
S 05 degrees 22'55" E for a distance of 287.70 feet to a point;  
S 24 degrees 07'15" W for a distance of 163.72 feet to a point;  
S 00 degrees 12'06" E for a distance of 252.14 feet to a point;  
S 26 degrees 49'52" W for a distance of 152.10 feet to a point;  
S 10 degrees 10'09" W for a distance of 301.16 feet to a point;  
S 07 degrees 60'61" E for a distance of 123.88 feet to a point;  
S 32 degrees 1750" W for a distance of 329.78 feet to a point;  
N 04 degrees 26'36" W for a distance of 73.66 feet to a point of curvature of a curve concave to the South and having for its elements a radius of 186.68 feet, a central angle 31 degrees 53'29", a chord bearing of S 63 degrees 11'51" W and a chord distance of 102.57 feet; thence bear along said curve for an arc length of 103.91 feet to the point of curvature concave to the southeast and having for its elements a radius of 143.13 feet, a central angle of 69 degrees 26'14", a chord bearing of S 12 degrees 32'29" W and a chord distance of 163.01 feet; thence bear along said curve for an arc length of 173.42 feet to the point of tangency of said curve; thence bear:

S 22 degrees 10'08" E for a distance of 309.76 feet to a point;  
S 08 degrees 54'55" E for a distance of 292.18 feet to a point;  
S 08 degrees 06'57" W for a distance of 198.17 feet to a point;  
S 33 degrees 10'02" E for a distance of 134.22 feet to a point;  
S 02 degrees 12'00" W for a distance of 266.15 feet to a point of curvature of a curve concave to the northeast and having for its elements a radius of 139.87 feet, a central angle of 70 degrees 02'46", a chord bearing of S 30 degrees 33'27" E and a chord distance of 160.54 feet; thence bear along said curve for an arc length of 170.99 feet to the point of curvature of a curve concave to the north and having for its elements a radius of 111.85 feet, a central angle of 64 degrees 66'11", a chord bearing of N 81 degrees 57'04" E and a chord distance of 120.09 feet; thence bear along said curve for an arc length of 126.77 feet to a point of reverse curvature of a curve concave to the south and having for its elements a radius of 136.53 feet, a central angle of 49 degrees 46'36", a chord bearing of N 74 degrees 21'46" E and a chord distance of 114.88 feet; thence bear along said curve an arc length of 118.57 feet to the point of tangency of said curve; thence bear:  
S 80 degrees 46'26" E for a distance of 280.54 feet to a point;  
N 86 degrees 48'44" E for a distance of 483.46 feet to a point;  
N 70 degrees 19'52" E for a distance of 166.64 feet to a point;  
N 52 degrees 33'36" E for a distance of 144.46 feet to a point;  
N 51 degrees 17'35" E for a distance of 134.00 feet to a point;  
N 17 degrees 08'51" E for a distance of 46.38 feet to a point;  
N 14 degrees 44'47" W for a distance of 203.88 feet to a point;  
N 02 degrees 40'47" E for a distance of 137.08 feet to a point;  
N 07 degrees 19'26" W for a distance of 164.46 feet to a point;  
N 45 degrees 11'52" E for a distance of 54.02 feet to a point;  
N 8105113 E for a distance of 159.97 feet to a point;  
S 63 degrees 00'68" E for a distance of 232.42 feet to a point;  
N 84 degrees 59'22" E for a distance of 150.14 feet to a point;  
N 37 degrees 03'19" E for a distance of 470.83 feet to a point;  
S 81 degrees 07'26" E for a distance of 742.85 feet to a point;  
N 59 degrees 08'10" E for a distance of 807.62 feet to the intersection with the East line of said section 12, and the point of terminus of said centerline of easement.

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Tax ID: C-12-38-30-010-0000-0310

IF YOU ARE A PERSON CLAIMING A RIGHT TO FUNDS REMAINING AFTER THE SALE, YOU MUST FILE A CLAIM WITH THE CLERK OF COURT NO LATER THAN 60 DAYS AFTER THE SALE. IF YOU FAIL TO FILE A CLAIM, YOU WILL NOT BE ENTITLED TO ANY REMAINING FUNDS. AFTER 60 DAYS, ONLY THE OWNER OF RECORD AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS MAY CLAIM THE SURPLUS.

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DATED at Highlands County, Florida, this 20th day of July, 2012.

Robert W. Germaine, Clerk  
Highlands County, Florida  
By: /s/ Priscilla Michalak  
Deputy Clerk  
July 27; August 3, 2012

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION  
FILE NO. PC-12-239

IN RE: ESTATE OF CEOLA LUVELLA WELLS a/k/a CEOLA L. WELLS Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS (Summary Administration)  
TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS OR DEMANDS AGAINST THE ABOVE ESTATE:

You are hereby notified that an Order of Summary Administration has been entered in the estate of Ceola Luvella Wells a/k/a Ceola L. Wells, deceased, File Number PC-12-239, by the Circuit Court for Highlands County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 590 South Commerce Avenue, Sebring, FL 33870; that the decedent's date of death was October 9, 2011; that the total value of the estate is \$20,374.00 and that the names and addresses of those to whom it has been assigned by such order are:  
Name and Address  
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Phillip M. Wells, Jr.  
911 South Woodrow Avenue  
Avon Park, FL 33825

Katrecia L. Wells  
167 High Barney Road  
Middletown, NY 10940

Twong P. Wells  
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Pakitta G. Wells  
911 South Woodrow Avenue  
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ALL INTERESTED PERSONS ARE NOTIFIED THAT:

All creditors of the estate of the decedent and persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent other than those for whom provision for full payment was made in the Order of Summary Administration must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN SECTION 733.702 OF THE FLORIDA PROBATE CODE. ALL CLAIMS AND DEMANDS NOT SO FILED WILL BE FOREVER BARRED. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER APPLICABLE TIME PERIOD, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.

The date of first publication of this Notice is July 29, 2012.

Person Giving Notice:  
Pakitta G. Wells  
911 South Woodrow Avenue  
Avon Park, FL 33825

BREED & NUNNALLEE, P.A.  
Attorneys for Person Giving Notice:  
325 NORTH COMMERCE AVENUE  
SEBRING, FL 33870  
Telephone: (863) 382-3154  
By: /s/ Thomas L. Nunnallee  
THOMAS L. NUNNALLEE  
Florida Bar No. 0062162  
E-Mail Address: tnunnallee@bnpalaw.com  
July 29; August 5, 2012

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL ACTION  
CASE NO.: 28-2009-CA-001720 DIVISION:

BAC HOME LOANS SERVING LP, FKA COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVING LP, Plaintiff,  
vs.  
DONALD COMER AKA DONALD E. COMER, et al, Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Mortgage Foreclosure dated July 17, 2012 and entered in Case No. 28-2009-CA-001720 of the Circuit Court of the TENTH Judicial Circuit in and for HIGHLANDS County, Florida wherein BAC HOME LOANS SERVING LP, FKA COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVING LP, is the Plaintiff and DONALD COMER AKA DONALD E. COMER, JUNE S. COMER, are the Defendants. The Clerk of the Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at JURY ASSEMBLY ROOM IN THE BASEMENT OF THE HIGHLANDS COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 430 SOUTH COMMERCE AVENUE at 11:00 AM, on the 16th day of August, 2012, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment:

COMMENCE AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF BLOCK A, OF ORANGE HEIGHTS, AS PER PLAT RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 2, PAGE 55, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA; THENCE RUN EAST ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF BOCK A FOR A DISTANCE OF 155.00 FEET FOR POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE CONTINUE EAST ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF BLOCK A FOR A DISTANCE OF 60.00 FEET; THENCE SOUTH FOR A DISTANCE OF 129.25 FEET; THENCE WEST FOR A DISTANCE OF 60.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH FOR A DISTANCE OF 129.25 FEET TO POINT OF BEGINNING. COMPRISING A PART OF LOTS 15 AND 16, BLOCK A, OR ORANGE HEIGHTS, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 2, PAGE 55, PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA AND IN REPLAT OF ORANGE HEIGHTS, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 129, PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.

A/K/A 8 E. ORANGE STREET, AVON PARK, FL 33825

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 sixty (60) days after the sale

WITNESS MY HAND and the seal of the Court on July 18, 2012.

ROBERT W. GERMAINE  
Clerk of the Circuit Court  
By: /s/ Priscilla Michalak  
Deputy Clerk

Ronald R Wolfe & Associates, P.L.  
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In accordance with the Americans Disabilities Act, persons with disabilities needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact the individual or agency sending the notice at Echevarria & Associates, P.A., P.O. Box 25018, Tampa, FL 33622-5018, telephone (813) 251-4766, 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.

July 29; August 5, 2012

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION  
Case No.: 12-359-GCS  
HIGHLANDS INDEPENDENT BANK, Plaintiff,  
vs.  
LARA GROUP, LLC, a Florida limited liability company, MELISSA M. LARA, and JULIO M. LARA, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the "Final Judgment on Verified Complaint" (the "Final Judgment"), entered in the above-styled action on July 18, 2012, the Clerk of Highlands County will sell the property situated in Highlands County, Florida, as described below at a Public Sale, to the highest bidder, for cash, at 430 South Commerce Avenue, Sebring, Florida 33870, on August 20, 2012, at 11:00 a.m.

Lot 17, Block 104, SUN 'N LAKE ESTATES OF SEBRING, UNIT 8, according to the Plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 9, at Page 58, of the Public Records of Highlands County, Florida.

The Real Property or its address is commonly known as 5034 Fettuccine Avenue, Sebring, FL 33872. The Real Property tax identification number is C-04-34-28-080-1040-0170.

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

BOB GERMAINE  
Clerk of the Circuit Court  
Highlands County, Florida  
/s/ Priscilla Michalak  
Deputy Clerk  
July 29; August 5, 2012

IN THE CIRCUIT CIVIL COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY CIVIL DIVISION  
CASE NO.: 28-2011-CA-000876 Division Civil

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., SUCCESSOR BY MERGENT TO BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING LP Plaintiff,  
vs.

NANCESOWEE SULLIVAN AND UNKNOWN TENANTS/OWNERS, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE  
Notice is hereby given, pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure for Plaintiff entered in this cause on June 26, 2012, in the Circuit Court of HIGHLANDS County, Florida, I will sell the property situated in Highlands County, Florida described as:

A PARCEL OF LAND LYING IN THE N 1/2 OF THE NW 1/4 OF THE NW 1/4 OF THE NW 1/4 OF SECTION 5, TOWNSHIP 35 SOUTH, RANGE 29 EAST, HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA, BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCE AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 5; THENCE SOUTH 01 DEGREES, 12' WEST ALONG THE SECTION LINE A DISTANCE OF 180 FEET; THENCE EAST 33 FEET TO A POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE CONTINUING EAST A DISTANCE OF 176.45 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE SOUTH 01 DEGREES, 12' WEST 158.88 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE IN A WESTERLY DIRECTION A DISTANCE OF 176.45 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE NORTH 01 DEGREES, 12' EAST A DISTANCE OF 157.93 FEET TO A POINT OF BEGINNING; LESS AND EXCEPT THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PROPERTY: A PARCEL OF LAND LYING IN THE NORTH HALF OF THE NW 1/4 OF THE NW 1/4 OF THE NW 1/4 OF SECTION 5, TOWNSHIP 35 SOUTH, RANGE 29 EAST, HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCE AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 5; THENCE SOUTH 01 DEGREES, 12' WEST ALONG THE SECTION LINE A DISTANCE OF 180 FEET; THENCE EAST 33 FEET TO POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE CONTINUING EAST A DISTANCE OF 150 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE SOUTH 01 DEGREES, 12' WEST 79.44 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE IN A WESTERLY DIRECTION A DISTANCE OF 150 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE NORTH 01 DEGREES 12' EAST A DISTANCE OF 78.97 FEET OF POINT OF BEGINNING, AND LESS AND EXCEPT THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PROPERTY: A PORTION OF SECTION 5, TOWNSHIP 35 SOUTH, RANGE 29 EAST, HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA, BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCE AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 5, THENCE RUN SOUTH 01 DEGREES, 12'00" WEST AND ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SAID SECTION A DISTANCE OF 180.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH 90 DEGREES 00'00" EAST A DISTANCE OF 183.00 FEET FOR THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE CONTINUE NORTH 90 DEGREES 00'00" EAST A DISTANCE OF 26.45 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 01 DEGREES, 12'00" WEST A DISTANCE OF 79.51 WEST; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 50'51" WEST A DISTANCE OF 26.45 FEET; THENCE NORTH 01 DEGREES, 12'00" EAST A DISTANCE OF 79.44 FEET TO POINT OF BEGINNING.

and commonly known as: 3142 SPARTA RD., SEBRING, FL 33870; including the building, appurtenances, and fixtures located therein, at public sale, to the highest and best bidder, for cash, Sales are held in the Jury Assembly Room in the basement of the Highlands County Courthouse located at 430 S. Commerce Avenue, Sebring, Florida 33870, on August 22, 2012 at 11 a.m.

Any persons 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 27th day of July, 2012.

Clerk of the Circuit Court  
By: /s/ Priscilla Michalak  
Deputy Clerk  
August 5, 12, 2012

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## Legals

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION  
Case No.: 12-246-GCS  
HIGHLANDS INDEPENDENT BANK, Plaintiff,  
vs.  
CUB CITY LEARNING CENTER, INC., a Florida corporation; KENNETH PALMERTON, Individually; TAMMY PALMERTON, individually, and THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the "Final Judgment on Verified Complaint" (the "Final Judgment"), entered in the above-styled action on July 18, 2012, the Clerk of Highlands County will sell the property situated in Highlands County, Florida, as described below at a Public Sale, to the highest bidder, for cash, at 430 South Commerce Avenue, Sebring, Florida 33870, on August 20, 2012, at 11:00 a.m.

Lot 8, in Block 65, of SECOND ADDITION TO THE TOWN OF SEBRING, according to the Plat thereof as recorded in Transcript Book, Page 7, of the Public Records of Highlands County, Florida.

Address: 204 South Commerce Avenue, Sebring, FL 33870  
Real Property Tax ID No.: S-29-34-29-070-0650-0800

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

BOB GERMAINE  
Clerk of the Circuit Court  
Highlands County, Florida  
/s/ Priscilla Michalak  
Deputy Clerk  
July 29; August 5, 2012

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO.: 09000496GCS  
SEC.: Civil

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR ABFC 2006-HE1 TRUST, Plaintiff,  
vs.

AARON ADALE DRIGGERS AKA ADALE DRIGGERS; 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; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF AARON ADALE DRIGGERS AKA ADALE DRIGGERS NKA TIFFANY DRIGGERS AND AUDREY DRIGGERS Defendant(s).

**1050 Legals**

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT  
OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA  
PROBATE DIVISION  
FILE NO. PC12-314

IN RE: ESTATE OF  
MARILEE ROSE JACOBS,  
Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of MARILEE ROSE JACOBS, deceased, File Number PC12-314, is pending in the Circuit Court for Highlands County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 430 South Commerce Avenue, Sebring, Florida 33870. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate, including unmatured, contingent, or unliquidated claims, on whom a copy of this notice is served must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE 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, including unmatured, contingent, or unliquidated claims, on whom a copy of this notice is served must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

ALL CLAIMS NOT SO FILED WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

The date of first publication of this Notice is August 5, 2012.

Personal Representative:  
/s/ Debra S. Ratay

Attorney for Personal Representative:  
/s/ Michael L. Keiber  
MICHAEL L. KEIBER, ESQUIRE  
Law Office of Michael L. Keiber, P.A.  
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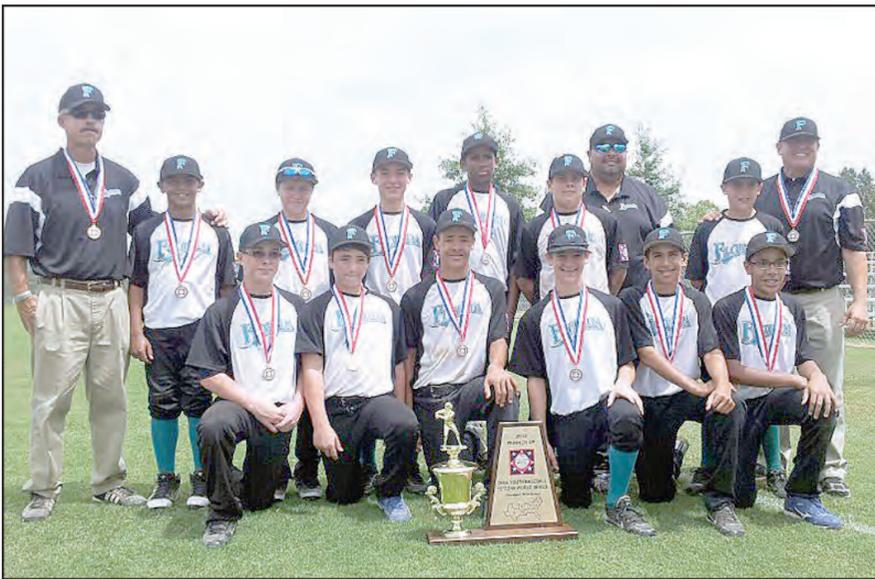
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The Dixie Ozone World Series runner-up, Team Sebring gave it a run that came up just short on Thursday in Cleveland, Miss.

## Ozone runner-up

By DAN HOEHNE

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Hope Mills, North Carolina had taken a page out of the Sebring legacy.

For two years, the junior Streak All-Stars had been the dominant team in the Dixie Ozone World Series, taking back-to-back championships with nary a challenge.

With that group of ballplayers moving on and trying to continue their dynasty at the Pre-Boys level, the team from suburban Fayetteville seemed to be taking their place.

They had run roughshod over the field, outscoring

their opponents 64-5, including a 12-1 win over Sebring's current representatives Tuesday night.

Team Florida had bounced back from that loss with a 5-

**Hope Mills**

**1**

**Sebring**

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1 win over Kosciusko, Miss., Wednesday, setting up a rematch for the title.

And in that Thursday contest, Sebring gave Tar Heel nation quite a scare.

Hope Mills was in its' third straight Ozone World Series, with four returning

starters from last year's squad, while Team Florida, while also in it for the third straight year, had a whole new starting squad this time around.

Though it was a bench player from last year's team, Everett Hurst who had taken in last year's big run and knew the feeling to be on the big stage.

And so it was that he and NC's Christian Jayne locked horns for a good old fashioned pitchers duel extraordinaire.

Inning by inning the

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## TriPower trio going national

By DAN HOEHNE

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It's Olympics time, where we witness remarkable feats of athleticism being performed by youngsters that almost defy logic, in both the feats themselves, as well as in the tender age at which many perform them.

All the more fascinating is the realization of how much more tender of an age they were at when they started.

Well, we may be in the process of witnessing such a thing right here in Highlands County where three young members of TriPower triathlon team will soon be taking part in the Hy-Vee IronKids U.S. Championships in Des Moines, Iowa.

Bud Cox, Chase Doty and Kinsley White are the trio that qualified for the prestigious race at the IronKids event in Haines City this past May.

And this isn't at all a case of a soccer or pageant mom scenario, where the children are being force fed an activity to their detriment.

They were as natural a process as could be.

"Last year my husband Bert decided he wanted to start running," Bud's mom Ginny said. "He got into it



Courtesy photo

Bud Cox (from left), Kinsley White and Chase Doty are headed to Iowa to compete in the IronKids U.S. Championship.

and that lead him to want to give the Heartland Triathlon a try.

"Bud and his sister both saw their daddy doing it and wanted to join in," she continued. "They all really enjoyed it and it was like they couldn't wait to try and

get better to do it again. It just kind of took hold and since then, we've been running in all the 5Ks and doing a lot of biking, which is Bud's favorite part of it."

In the midst of this came the formation of TriPower, the Central Florida Junior

Triathlon Team, headed up by Dan Andrews.

"We started planning it last October and officially started this past February," Andrews said. "We wouldn't exist without the local bike club,

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## Griffin rising in the ranks

*Just returned from good showing at World Cup*

News-Sun staff

Kendall Griffin put yet another Sertoma victory under her belt Thursday as she shot a 1-under 71 at the Torrey Oaks golf course in Bowling Green.

This feat, however, was not the only one for her last week.

Griffin had just recently returned from North Carolina, where she played at the infamous Pinehurst golf resort as she represented the United States.

After finishing in the top 20 last year, Griffin was automatically qualified for the event where she managed to beat out 40 other competitors for a spot in the top two to play in the World Cup.

During match play, Griffin put one point on the board for USA, adding to the overall total of 7-2 against the International team.

"The courses are just immaculate! The greens were so fast, and I love fast greens. It was so much fun playing on those courses," she shared.

"They really did a great job of making us feel special. It was a great opportunity and I learned a lot from it!"

The Sertoma Junior Golf Tour took on the Torrey Oaks Golf Course in Bowling Green for the eighth event of the season.

And again, there were some tight races throughout the age groups, starting with the two-stroke spread between the top three golfers in the Boys 6-8.

Jack DuPriest finished with a 33, just ahead of the 34 carded by Parker Griffin and the 35 by Brody Hall.

Griffin Hall was just another three shots back in fourth at 38.

It was a pretty close finish in the Boys 9-10 as well, though Beckham Donavon continued his strong season with a 42 for the win.

But Billy Carol nearly kept pace, coming in with a 45 for second, with Zach Doorlag five shots back for third.

See SERTOMA, page 3D

## STARS swimmers bring home awards

Special to the News-Sun

AVON PARK – While USA swimmer Michael Phelps is winning gold at the Olympics in London, Special STARS athletes competed in swimming events on Saturday, July 28 at the Sebring High School pool.

There were approximately 45 swimmers from Highlands County with disabilities who competed in a 25-meter lap or noodle races.

Noodle races are done in the shallow water so swimmers can build up confidence in the water and race toward a person holding the noodles.

Noodle racing was divided into two different lengths – one race was 15 meters and one was 25 meters.

In the 25-meter lap competition Nicole Lewis won first in her heat while Joe Singha and Bill Wheeler won first in their divisions.

Second-place ribbons were won by Shawn Squires, Sharon Carpenter and Amy Matthews.

Third-place winners were Greg Robinson, Angie Luft and Stephanie Travi.

Fourth-place finishers were Rob Ward, Ilana Levy and Mac Smith.



Courtesy photo

Special STARS swimmers Greg Robinson (bottom lane) and Shawn Squires go neck-to-neck in their competition as other swimmers cheer for them.

In the 15-meter noodle race, first-place winners were Herb Adkins, Katie Gibson, Ronnie Gladson, Joshua Cronstion and Dama Massey.

Second-place ribbons went to Charles Hodgkinson, Minnie Sue Reid, Edrei Lopez, Patty Toepper and Penny Holder.

Third place went to Jim Kentfield, Dustin Akey,

Maricel Moreno and Sarah Moore.

Fourth-place finishers were Kathy Mitchell, Jeannene Eby and Cody Crouse while Kenny Roberts won fifth.

In the 25-meter race, first-place winners were Annie Horn and Becky Anders.

Second place went to Alan Kufnowski and Larry Rivers. Third-place winners were

John Smith and Linda Decker.

Awards were presented after lunch which was served after competition.

Special STARS will be preparing for billiard competition next, which starts on Saturday, Aug. 18 at Cue Time Billiards in Sebring.

For details, call 452-1295, ext. 124.



Courtesy photo

Kendall Griffin shot a remarkable 71 at Torrey Oaks to win Thursday's Sertoma event, and that was the second most impressive thing she did in the last week.

# THE SCOREBOARD

## Major League Baseball

### AMERICAN LEAGUE

#### East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	62	43	.590	—
Tampa Bay	56	50	.528	6.5
Baltimore	55	51	.519	7.5
Boston	53	54	.495	10
Toronto	51	55	.481	11.5

#### Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	58	47	.552	—
Detroit	56	50	.528	2.5
Cleveland	50	56	.472	8.5
Minnesota	46	60	.434	12.5
Kansas City	44	61	.419	

#### 14West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Texas	62	43	.590	—
Oakland	58	48	.547	4.5
Los Angeles	57	50	.533	6
Seattle	50	58	.463	13.5

### Thursday's Games

Minnesota 5, Boston 0  
 Texas 15, L.A. Angels 9  
 Kansas City 7, Cleveland 6, 11 innings  
 Oakland 4, Toronto 1

### Friday's Games

Detroit 10, Cleveland 2  
 N.Y. Yankees 6, Seattle 3  
 Tampa Bay 2, Baltimore 0  
 Minnesota 6, Boston 5, 10 innings  
 Chicago White Sox 8, L.A. Angels 6, 10 innings  
 Texas 5, Kansas City 3  
 Oakland 5, Toronto 4, 15 innings

### Saturday's Games

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

### Sunday's Games

Cleveland (Undecided) at Detroit (Scherzer 10-6), 1:05 p.m.  
 Seattle (Iwakuma 2-2) at N.Y. Yankees (F.Garcia 4-5), 1:05 p.m.  
 Minnesota (Blackburn 4-6) at Boston (Beckett 5-9), 1:35 p.m.  
 Baltimore (Mig.Gonzalez 3-2) at Tampa Bay (Price 14-4), 1:40 p.m.  
 L.A. Angels (Haren 8-8) at Chicago White Sox (Liriano 3-10), 2:10 p.m.  
 Texas (D.Holland 7-6) at Kansas City (Hochevar 7-9), 2:10 p.m.  
 Toronto (Laffey 2-2) at Oakland (Milone 9-8), 4:05 p.m.

### LEAGUE LEADERS

#### BATTING

	AB	R	H	BA
Trout, LAA	333	81	116	.348
Konerko, CHW	356	47	115	.323
Cabrera, DET	415	68	134	.323
Mauer, MIN	355	59	114	.321
Jackson, DET	324	64	103	.318

#### HOME RUNS

Dunn, CHW	31
Granderson, NYY	29
Hamilton, TEX	29
Encarnacion, TOR	28
3 tied with	27

#### RUNS BATTED IN

Cabrera, DET	87
Hamilton, TEX	84
Willingham, MIN	79
Dunn, CHW	74
Fielder, DET	73

#### STOLEN BASES

Trout, LAA	31
Davis, TOR	28
Revere, MIN	25
Kipnis, CLE	21
Crisp, OAK	20
De Aza, CHW	20

#### RUNS

Trout, LAA	81
Granderson, NYY	73
Kinsler, TEX	72
Jones, BAL	69
Cabrera, DET	68
Cano, NYY	68

#### WON-LOST

Weaver, LAA	14-1
<b>Price, TB</b>	<b>14-4</b>
Sale, CHW	12-3
Harrison, TEX	12-6
Vargas, SEA	12-7

#### ERA

Weaver, LAA	2.29
Sale, CHW	2.61
Verlander, DET	2.63
Price, TB	2.64
Hernandez, SEA	2.79

#### STRIKEOUTS

Hernandez, SEA	153
Verlander, DET	152
Scherzer, DET	151
<b>Shields, TB</b>	<b>145</b>
Darvish, TEX	145

#### SAVES

J. Johnson, BAL	31
<b>Rodney, TB</b>	<b>31</b>
C. Perez, CLE	29
Soriano, NYY	26
Broxton, KC	23

### NATIONAL LEAGUE

#### East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Washington	63	43	.594	—
Atlanta	61	45	.575	2
New York	52	55	.486	11.5
Miami	49	58	.458	14.5
Philadelphia	47	59	.443	16

#### Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Cincinnati	65	41	.613	—
Pittsburgh	60	45	.571	4.5
St. Louis	57	49	.538	8
Milwaukee	48	57	.457	16.5
Chicago	43	61	.413	21
Houston	35	72	.327	30.5

#### West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
San Francisco	57	49	.538	—
Los Angeles	57	50	.533	.5
Arizona	55	51	.519	2
San Diego	45	63	.417	13
Colorado	38	66	.365	18

### Thursday's Games

Cincinnati 9, San Diego 4  
 N.Y. Mets 9, San Francisco 1  
 Washington 3, Philadelphia 0  
 Atlanta 6, Miami 1  
 Colorado 8, St. Louis 2

### Friday's Games

Washington 7, Miami 4, 1st game  
 Arizona 4, Philadelphia 2  
 Cincinnati 3, Pittsburgh 0  
 Atlanta 4, Houston 1  
 Miami 5, Washington 2, 2nd game



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### BOWLING SUNDAY

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**4 p.m.** PGA – 3M Championship . . . . . GOLF  
**7 p.m.** PGA – Reno-Tahoe Open . . . . . GOLF

### LITTLE LEAGUE WORLD SERIES

#### TUESDAY

**5 p.m.** Southwest Regional Semifinal . . . . . ESPN2  
**8 p.m.** Southwest Regional Semifinal . . . . . ESPN2

### MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

#### SUNDAY

**1:30 p.m.** Baltimore at Tampa Bay . . . . . SUN  
**2 p.m.** L.A. Angels at Chicago White Sox. . . . . TBS  
**5 p.m.** Chicago Cubs at L.A. Dodgers. . . . . WGN  
**8 p.m.** Milwaukee at St. Louis. . . . . ESPN

#### MONDAY

**7 p.m.** N.Y. Yankees at Detroit. . . . . ESPN

#### TUESDAY

**7 p.m.** Toronto at Tampa Bay . . . . . SUN

### MAJOR LEAGUE SOCCER

#### SUNDAY

**9 p.m.** Los Angeles at Seattle . . . . . ESPN2

### OLYMPICS

#### SUNDAY

**3:30 p.m.** Boxing . . . . . CNBC  
**7 p.m.** Gymnastics, Track, Diving . . . . . NBC

#### MONDAY

**10 a.m.** Track and Field, Beach Volleyball . . . . . NBC  
**5 p.m.** Boxing . . . . . CNBC  
**8 p.m.** Gymnastics, Diving, Track and Field . . . . . NBC

#### TUESDAY

**10 a.m.** Track and Field, Beach Volleyball . . . . . NBC  
**5 p.m.** Boxing . . . . . CNBC  
**8 p.m.** Gymnastics, Track and Field . . . . . NBC

### TENNIS

#### SUNDAY

**4 p.m.** ATP – Citi Open, Final . . . . . ESPN2

*Times, games, channels all subject to change*

St. Louis 9, Milwaukee 3	Burnett, PIT	13-3
San Francisco 16, Colorado 4	Lynn, STL	13-4
San Diego 3, N.Y. Mets 1	Cueto, CIN	13-5
L.A. Dodgers 6, Chicago Cubs 1	G. Gonzalez, WAS	13-5

#### Saturday's Games

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

#### Sunday's Games

Pittsburgh (Bedard 5-12) at Cincinnati (Bailey 9-6), 1:10 p.m.  
 Arizona (Cahill 9-9) at Philadelphia (Cl.Lee 2-6), 1:35 p.m.  
 Houston (B.Norris 5-8) at Atlanta (Medlen 2-1), 1:35 p.m.  
 Miami (Nolasco 8-10) at Washington (Strasburg 11-5), 1:35 p.m.  
 San Francisco (Lincecum 5-11) at Colorado (Friedrich 5-8), 3:10 p.m.  
 N.Y. Mets (Harvey 1-1) at San Diego (Marquis 4-6), 4:05 p.m.  
 Chicago Cubs (Volstad 0-7) at L.A. Dodgers (Harang 7-6), 4:10 p.m.  
 Milwaukee (Estrada 0-4) at St. Louis (Lohse 11-2), 8:05 p.m.

### LEAGUE LEADERS

#### BATTING

	AB	R	H	BA
McCutchen, PIT	375	72	140	.373
Cabrera, SF	408	68	142	.348
Votto, CIN	298	52	102	.342
Ruiz, PHL	309	47	105	.340
Wright, NYM	375	65	125	.333

#### HOME RUNS

Braun, MIL	29
Beltran, STL	24
Kubel, ARI	22
McCutchen, PIT	22
3 tied with	21

#### RUNS BATTED IN

Beltran, STL	75
Holliday, STL	75
Braun, MIL	73
Kubel, ARI	72
Wright, NYM	71
Gonzalez, COL	71

#### STOLEN BASES

Gordon, LAD	30
<b>Bonifacio, MIA</b>	<b>29</b>
Bourn, ATL	28
Pierre, PHL	27
Campana, CHC	26
Schafer, HOU	26

#### RUNS

Braun, MIL	72
McCutchen, PIT	72
Bourn, ATL	70
Gonzalez, COL	70
Holliday, STL	70

#### WON-LOST

Dickey, NYM	14-2
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Lynn, STL	13-4
Cueto, CIN	13-5
G. Gonzalez, WAS	13-5

#### ERA

Vogelsong, SF	2.22
Dempster, CHC	2.25
Zimmermann, WAS	2.28
Cueto, CIN	2.39
Cain, SF	2.82

#### STRIKEOUTS

Strasburg, WAS	154
Dickey, NYM	147
Kershaw, LAD	143
Hamels, PHL	138
G. Gonzalez, WAS	137

#### SAVES

Hanrahan, PIT	31
Kimbrel, ATL	30
Castillo, S-F	24
Motte, STL	23
Papelbon, PHL	23
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#### EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
New York	11	6	5	38	38	32
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Sporting KC	11	7	4	37	27	21
D.C.	10	7	3	33	34	27
Chicago	9	7	5	32	23	23
Columbus	8	7	4	28	20	20
Montreal	8	13	3	27	33	43
Philadelphia	7	10	2	23	22	22
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	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
San Jose	13	5	5	44	45	28
Real Salt Lake	13	7	3	42	35	27
Seattle	9	5	7	34	27	22
Vancouver	9	7	7	34	26	28
Los Angeles	10	10	3	33	39	35
Chivas USA	7	8	5	26	14	21
Colorado	7	14	1	22	28	32
FC Dallas	5	11	7	22	25	31
Portland	5	12	4	19	19	36

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

#### Friday's Game

New York at Houston, 8 p.m.

#### Saturday's Games

Columbus at D.C. United,



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Kinsley White, Bud Cox and Chase Doty will try to swim, bike and run their way to a national championship in Iowa.

## Tri sees Rockin' Heartland on tap

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the Highlands Pedalers embracing our idea and helping us all along the way. And now we have 43 kids registered, ranging in ages from 5-16."

Based out of the Highlands County YMCA, the team sees the diversity of the ages, and adapts appropriately.

"Our mindset is, the best athlete is the well-rounded athlete," Andrews said. "It's not about dedicating yourself to just triathlons. We want them to play other sports and see what they enjoy. And rather than one program for all of them, we have coaches and programs for each age level to fit their abilities.

"Actually, most of it is done on their own, we only have one full on practice each week, but have the kids fill out their own activity log

for the rest of the week," he continued. "Whether it's running, a bike ride or swimming with their parents, it's what they want to do."

Which would seem the best way to do it, as left to their own devices in such an individual sport, those most into it will rise to the top.

"That's what is so special about those that qualified," Andrews said. "They really enjoy it, whether it's the practices with us, or with their parents or just on their own. They enjoy it, which means they are going to work hard at it and do well."

Do well is somewhat an understatement as this trio of pre-teens has set the bar high for their TriPower teammates.

While having an eye on the Iowa trip, the kids continue with Saturday team practices

and will have a final warm-up race at next weekend's Rockin' Heartland race on Sunday, Aug. 12.

In the time preceding the big trip, funds are sought to be raised to offset the travel expenses and registration fees.

Businesses throughout the area have donation jars, such as Bike Shop Sebring, Highlands YMCA, Apple a Day, CrossFit Sebring, Fitness Together, Sebring Diner and Rezultz Fitness in Lake Placid.

Also, on Wednesday, Aug. 8, Beef O'Brady's will donate a percentage of dinner tabs, from 5-8 p.m., just tell the server you are there for TriPower.

A car was will also be held Saturday, Aug. 25, from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. at Dr. Guelff's office, 601 US 27 South.

## Sertoma Tour takes on Torrey Oaks in Hardee County

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Four shots separated the top four in the Boys 13-14 for another barn burner.

Jason Cannon's 92 held up for the win, with Sam Rogers, 93, and Coleman Nelson, 94, breathing down his neck, while Sam Weber-Callahan finished with a 96 for fourth.

It was a one-two shootout in the Boys 15-16 where Cole Berger edged Rhett Pooley 76-77, while Easton Davis held on to third at 82 over

Ben Tubb's 84 for fourth.

Ashley Engle had an easier time of it in the Girls 11-13, shooting a 55, while newcomer Alyssa Armentrout gave it a go but never challenged for the lead.

Things were more spread out for the leaders in the older groupings, with Daniel Miller topping the Boys 17-18 with an 81, 12 shots up on William Beatty in second.

Jonah Brown and Kevin Ladue kept relative pace for second, shooting 94 and 95, respectively for third and

fourth.

And it was in the Girls 14-18 that saw Kendall Griffin return from her prestigious outing among the U.S. Teen Ryder Cup on the legendary Pinehurst course.

Tough as Torrey Oaks might be, coming off the challenge of Pinehurst, Griffin made it look easy, carding a one-under par 71 for a 17-stroke win.

Sarah Liles shot an 88 for second, Meredith Aldrich an 89 for third and Chloe Nelson a 91 for fourth.

## Jutanugarn, Shelton win Jr. PGA titles

FORT WAYNE, Ind. (AP) — Thailand's Ariya Jutanugarn successfully defended her title Friday in the Junior PGA Championship, and Robby Shelton of Wilmer, Ala., won the boys' division.

The 16-year-old Jutanugarn, a 10-stroke winner last year, birdied the last four holes at Sycamore Hills for a 5-under 67 and 14-under 274 total, three strokes better than 15-year-old Samantha Wagner of Windermere.

"This year was very different and the girls were all playing so well," said Jutanugarn, the Canadian's Women's Amateur winner last week.

"I was looking at all the scoreboards and I knew I needed to make birdies at the end to win. ... I was not driving the ball well all week until today. My driver actually helped me. I am so proud of how I played. Last year I wanted to play good, but this

year I had to win."

She's the first player to win in consecutive years since In-Bee Park in 2001-02.

The top two players in each division earned spots on the U.S. Junior Ryder Cup team.

Wagner finished with a 70. "I knew after I bogeyed 15 that I needed a few birdies coming in to keep up with Ariya. But I only had one

birdie and she birdied the last four, so that sealed it," Wagner said. "But I played well all week and now I get to play in the Junior Ryder Cup. I am so excited about that opportunity."

The 16-year-old Shelton closed with a 70 to finish at 13 under. He had a course-record 64 on Thursday.

Cameron Champ of Sacramento, Calif., shot a 72 to finish second.

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## Longoria could return to Rays next week

ST. PETERSBURG — Tampa Bay Rays third baseman Evan Longoria could rejoin the team during a three-game series that starts Tuesday against Toronto.

Longoria has been sidelined since May 1 because of a partially torn left hamstring. His return could provide a power bat in the middle of the Rays' struggling batting order.

"When he does come back, I think everybody's going to expect the skies to part, it's going to stop raining and all that other kind of stuff," Tampa Bay manager Joe Maddon said before Friday night's game against Baltimore. "He's going to need to come back and be patient because major league players in August have been playing all year. This guy has not. He's on a rehab assignment. He's basically coming out of spring training with 1 1/2

legs, so you've got to be patient and understand that there might be a little bit of a curve to be worked with here."

Tampa Bay has used eight players at third base since Longoria was hurt. He likely will start off as a designated hitter.

### Upton brothers both hit 100th career HR

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Justin Upton didn't even get bragging rights for one night.

Brothers Justin Upton and B.J. Upton both hit career homer No. 100 on Friday night, just about an hour apart and in different leagues.

Justin Upton connected for Arizona in the second inning at Philadelphia off Kyle Kendrick. Then it was his older brother's turn. B.J. Upton went deep in the

fourth inning for Tampa Bay against Baltimore's Tommy Hunter.

"It was cool. I'm happy for him," Justin Upton said after Arizona's 4-2 win. "It's a big night for the family."

B.J. Upton joins Rickey Henderson, Barry Bonds, Bobby Bonds, Cesar Cedeno, Lloyd Moseby, Eric Davis and Hanley Ramirez as the only players to amass 100 homers and 200 steals before age 28. Upton turns 28 on Aug. 21.

Justin Upton was aware going into the game that he and his brother were tied at 99 homers.

"It was mentioned after the last game," he said. "I definitely wanted to beat him to it."

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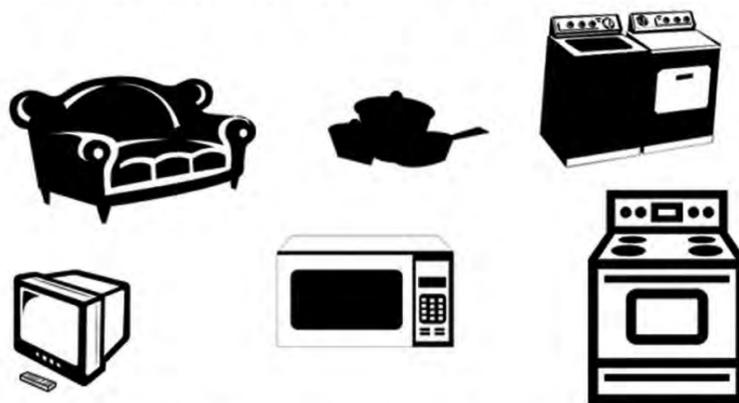
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One dynasty may have ended with this second-place World Series trophy, but another may have also just begun.

## Ozone title goes to North Carolina this time around

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hurlers matched each others' goose eggs, save for an unearned run early on where Hope Mills combined an error and a pair of hits to get on the board.

And as the innings went on, the intensity grew, as both offenses were stymied, but each with the potential to break it open at any time.

Sebring, after all, had flexed its' muscles with 17 and 15 run outbursts earlier in the tournament.

But the bats for both sides would be held in check the rest of the way, with Jayne, one of those returning starters, showing his prowess by setting a World Series record with

16 strikeouts and working his way out of a late threat by the Streaks to secure the 1-0 win.

And so the Ozone title will see a new home this year as the Sebring dynasty couldn't quite continue.

Or could it?

The two-time champs, as it happens, saw their first World Series experience come in the AAA ranks, where they took third, before reeling off the back-to-back Ozone titles.

With a second-place finish in their first foray into the Dixie summer classic, and a multitude of starters likely back again next season, the makings of another dynasty may have just begun.

## UCI tries to block USADA charges against Armstrong

NEW YORK (AP) — Cycling's international governing body is trying to block the case American anti-doping officials filed against Lance Armstrong, saying there may be a lack of due process and that witnesses were promised "advantages" in exchange for incriminating statements against the seven-time Tour de France winner.

The U.S. Anti-Doping Agency brought charges of performance-enhancing drug use against Armstrong in June, threatening to strip him of his victories. A federal grand jury investigation of the cyclist ended four months earlier without any indictments.

Armstrong repeatedly has proclaimed his innocence and sued in federal court in Austin, Texas, claiming USADA rules violate athletes' constitutional right to a fair trial.

In a testy exchange of letters made public Friday as part of the court case, the International Cycling Union (UCI) proposed that it appoint an independent panel to determine whether the charges against Armstrong have merit. The U.S. Anti-Doping Agency responded there should instead be a "Truth And Reconciliation Commission to clean up the sport of cycling once and for all."

"UCI and the participants in the conspiracy who cheated sport with dangerous performance enhancing drugs to win have a strong incentive to cover up what transpired," USADA CEO Travis Tygart said in a statement. "The partici-

pants in the conspiracy have lashed out in the press, gone to Congress and filed a lawsuit to avoid a public display of the evidence before neutral judges. Efforts to intimidate, scare or pressure us to conceal the truth will not stop us from doing the job we are mandated to do."

Armstrong's attorneys raised the UCI jurisdiction claims in a separate court filing late Friday responding to USADA attempts to get his lawsuit dismissed.

Among their claims, Armstrong's lawyers say that blood and urine samples cited in USADA's allegations belong to UCI and that emails from former Armstrong teammate Floyd Landis outlining alleged doping on Armstrong's teams were first sent to a USA Cycling official, who falls under UCI's jurisdiction.

Armstrong's attorneys say now that UCI has asserted its jurisdiction, USADA's case must stop.

USADA claims it has jurisdiction, citing UCI rules.

## Nicks believes Bucs offense will be better

By FRED GOODALL

AP Sports Writer

TAMP — Carl Nicks believes the Tampa Bay Buccaneers should be able to put up plenty of points this season.

The All-Pro guard was acquired in free agency to bolster an offensive line that figures to be one of the team's strongest assets. And he expects the unit to set the tone for quarterback Josh Freeman to re-establish himself as a rising young star.

The 6-foot-5, 343-pound Nicks spent the past four seasons as part of one of the NFL's most prolific offenses in New Orleans. The Bucs had one of the league's worst rushing attacks last season, when Freeman also took a step back in his development.

The arrival of Nicks could make Tampa Bay better on the ground, as well as through the air.

"It all starts up front," said Nicks, who signed a five-year, \$47.5 million contract in March after helping the Drew Brees-led Saints set a single-season record for yards in 2011. "We're going to be the leaders of this team. We're going to win or lose games off our backs. That's how I take it. That's how the whole offensive line's got to take it."

The Bucs have invested heavily to try to protect Freeman, who was sacked 29 times and had 22 interceptions last season.

In addition to bringing in Nicks, two-time Pro Bowl guard Davin Joseph is entering the second season of a seven-year, \$52.5 million deal, and left tackle Donald Penn is in year three of a deal worth \$48 million over six seasons.

Acquiring Nicks also enabled the Bucs to move Jeremy Zuttah from left guard to center — another move coach Greg Schiano thinks will make the line stronger.

The Bucs ranked 30th in rushing in 2011, averaging 91.1 yards en route to a 4-12 record that included 10 consecutive losses to end the season. They were middle of the pack — 16th — in passing, but a porous defense and the lack of a consistent running game made Freeman's job much more difficult.

Nicks is confident that will change with the addition of wide receiver Vincent Jackson, tight end Dallas Clark, rookie running back Doug Martin and himself to an offense also featuring promising young players such as running back LeGarrette Blount and receivers Mike Williams and Arrelious Benn.

"I'm kind of looked at as the veteran, and this is barely my fifth year. It's kind of a different role for me," Nicks said.

"We're a young team that's got a lot of talent that's got to come together. Our attention to detail has got to be second to none, and our game preparation has to be the best," he said.

"If you can protect the quarterback and run the ball, why should you lose. If they score 70, you've just got to score 71. I put it on my back,



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the whole offensive line does."

Teammates say Nicks not only brings championship experience to a team that hasn't won a playoff game since the Super Bowl following the 2002 season, but an element of nastiness.

"It's just going to make our line solid from left to right," Joseph said, adding that Nicks also is leading by example with his work ethic.

"We had a very good line last year, but his level of play is, of course, All-Pro status. He's going to make Donald

Penn a lot better, he going to make Jeremy Zuttah a lot better, he's going to make me a lot better," added Joseph, a Pro Bowl selection in 2008 and 2011. "A guy of that status coming in here, working as hard as he has is really encouraging to see. He's not really going off of his past, he's working to be a better player."

Nicks smiles when asked about the importance of the offensive line jelling into a physical, dominating unit.

With Brees leading the way, the Saints were a pass-

oriented team. He's looking forward to doing more run-blocking as Tampa Bay tries to take some of the pressure off Freeman with a strong rushing attack.

"The first thing is it gets the defensive line tired. We wear them down and that help your pass protection," Nicks said. "Another thing is knocking a guy down and watching him get up, seeing the tiredness and hurt in his eyes. You thrive off that. ... If I could maul somebody on every play, that's what I'd do."

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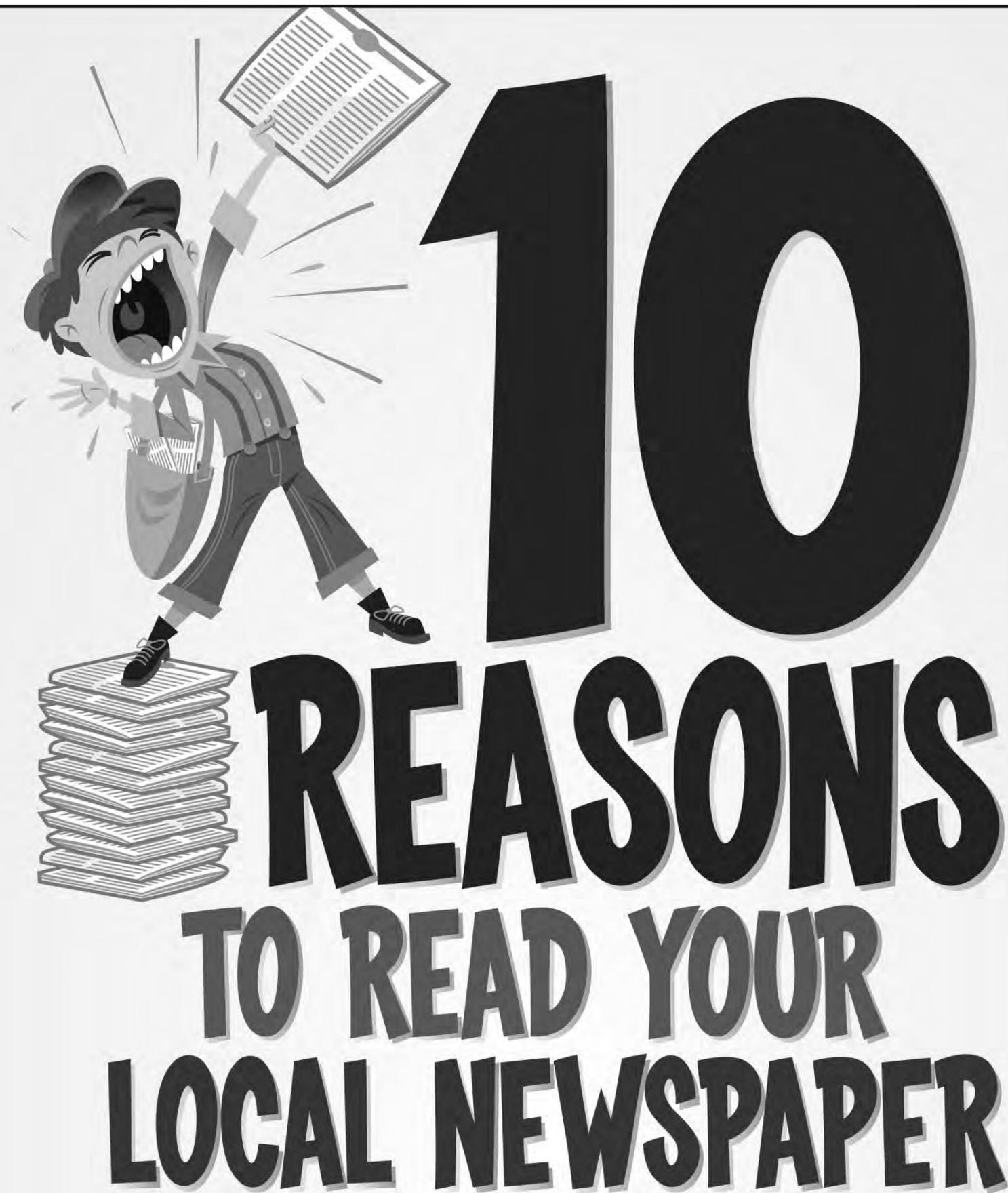
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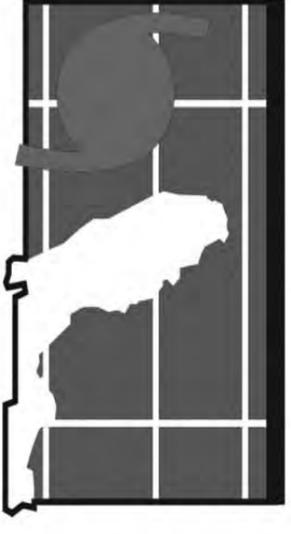
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