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School board
pays tribute to
volunteers

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Green Dragons roll to title

A return to the field at Webber University made for a return to glory as Lake Placid destroyed DeSoto 11-0 Thursday to win the district championship for the first time in seven years — since the last time a district tournament was played at Webber. They will host Tampa Catholic in the Class 4A regional quarterfinals Wednesday.

SPORTS, B1

BEING A LOSER CAN BE GOOD FOR YOU

By SAMANTHA GHOLAR
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SEBRING — Since its inception just over a year ago, the Highlands County YMCA Biggest Loser Challenge has become more than just a weight loss campaign but a way to change a person's life for the better.

Eric Marshall was named the Biggest Loser for this year's challenge put on by YMCA Program Director and fitness instructor Laura VanFleet.

VanFleet has challenged dozens of individuals over the past 18 months with lifestyle changes and healthier choices, and Marshall has definitely exceeded VanFleet's expectations, as well as his own.

During VanFleet's third Biggest Loser Challenge, Marshall's efforts and dedicated attitude to become a healthier man paid off.

Marshall had lost 47 pounds and a total of 20 percent of his body fat at the end of the challenge in early April.

The accomplishment wasn't an easy one. In fact, it almost didn't get started.

"I got an e-mail from the Sebring Chamber of Commerce about the Biggest Loser Challenge. I saw it and kind of just set it aside. It was in the back of my mind for a

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Courtesy photos

Before and after: Eric Marshall lost 47 pounds in the latest YMCA's Biggest Loser competition.



Inside

Let's potty

Tips to help you and your child through the trails of toilet training

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Trinder tapped to lead AP Chamber

Final details still being worked out

By BARRY FOSTER
News-Sun correspondent

AVON PARK — Tori Trinder is well on her way to becoming the newest executive director of the Greater Avon Park Chamber of Commerce.

"They have made an offer and I've accepted," Trinder said. "Now we just have to finish out details of the contract."

She's no stranger to the post, having served as interim director since the retirement of her predecessor, Laura Wade, in January.

Trinder said that the time has given her the opportunity to see the inner workings of the business organization and has given her a feel for what has been working well, what could use some improvement and some new ideas which may not yet have been tried. During the past few months, Trinder has taken the opportunity to develop a business plan for the chamber with an eye toward the future. Trinder said the plan revolves around more member services, better use of technology, additional events in the City of Charm and perhaps even some training classes.

"Understand, this all will

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Online



This week's question:
Should Sun 'N Lake have a full-time fire department?

Yes 69.4% **No 30.6%**

Total votes: **170**

Next question:

Should the legislature pass a proposed bill that would streamline the death penalty process?

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Three decades pass in the snip of a scissors

By CHRISTOPHER TUFFLEY
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SEBRING — Pamela J. Kirouac pats the back of the barber chair in front of her. "I've been in this chair for 30 years," she said, then pointed to the large plate glass window looking onto the street, "inside looking out."

Kirouac has owned and operated the Off The Top barber shop at 117 N. Ridgewood Drive for 25 of those years. She cuts anyone's hair, children and adults. "Just no pets," she grinned.

Kirouac bought the business in 1988, from the couple for whom she had worked since 1983.

"There have been a lot of changes since I've

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News-sun photo by CHRISTOPHER TUFFLEY

Pam Kirouac has looked out onto Ridgewood Drive for thirty years, and has seen many changes. She said her business is the oldest in downtown Sebring, operating in its original location.

Forecast

Rainy.
Low 86
High 64

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Community Briefs

Car wash to benefit Tanner fund

SEBRING — The DeBree Family and Desoto City Volunteer Fire Department are hosting a car wash fundraiser for Jonny "JT" Tanner and family at 10 a.m. today until the last vehicle comes through at 4612 Desoto Road. This fundraiser will help with medical bills and future costs.

Tanner was a victim of a hit and run accident. He remains in critical condition in Lakeland Regional Hospital.

Commissioner Don Elwell will discuss county items of interest, including the Highlands County Tourism Development Council. Also, Sebring Fire Chief Brad Batz will discuss the recent fire in Downtown Sebring.

The meetings are to discuss events and happenings within the Downtown Sebring area. These monthly "What's Up Downtown?" meetings are open to the public. Anyone with an interest in Downtown Sebring is encouraged to attend.

Change of Pace hosts Caregiver's Luncheon

SEBRING — Caring for a loved one with Alzheimer's or another type of dementia? Change of Pace is hosting its first Caregiver's Appreciation Luncheon from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Tuesday.

RSVP at 382-1188. Change of Pace is at 4514 Hammock Road.

'What's Up' to discuss Fox 13 TV show

SEBRING — The Sebring Community Redevelopment Agency will host its monthly "What's Up Downtown Sebring?" meeting at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday at Weight Watchers (211 Circle Park Drive, No. 7; upstairs) to discuss the FOX 13 TV Show's visit and live television airing that will take place in Circle Park from 6-10 a.m. May 17.

Highlands County

SNO features artist/writer

SEBRING — Scribes' Night Out moderator Lynn Ullin has asked artist and writer Christine Yarbour to be the featured reader at 6 p.m. today at Brewster's Coffee House.

Yarbour will read from her new novel, which nears completion.

The public is invited to arrive early, enjoy good coffee, good listening and good reading.

If you are a writer, consider reading (approximately five minutes) in the open mike program segment.

For more information, contact Art Lefkowitz at 385-1554.

'Night of Stars' showcases achievements

AVON PARK — Avon Park High School's annual "Night of Stars" will be from 6-8 p.m. Tuesday at

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News-Sun photo by CHRISTOPHER TUFFLEY

Fourteen of the 17 outstanding volunteers of the year. Each individual received a certificate of thanks and a book in their name was donated to their school. The volunteers, in alphabetical order, are: Suzanne Armand; Tina Barber; Clara Boone; Arnold Davis; JoAnne Debose; Jeanette Furman; Karen LaCourt; Marianne Reason; Camille Schaffer; Tobey Smoak; Diane Thompson; Mark Wolf; and Pamela Zipperer.

SBHC honors outstanding volunteers

By CHRISTOPHER TUFFLEY
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SEBRING — This year alone, school volunteers donated 50,000 hours of their time helping to educate the students of Highland County's schools. Their work saved the school district \$500,000, Bonnie Johns said.

She is Deputy Superintendent Rodney Hollinger's executive secretary and was the master of ceremonies at the school board chamber ceremony honoring 17 individuals selected as outstanding volunteers of the year. Each school chose a volunteer from among their own. These generous people performed a variety of tasks over the school year, from helping in the school office, to helping teachers prepare for classes, to tutoring and counseling children.

When Chris Doty, principal of Hill-Gustat Middle School, introduced Suzanne Armand, for example, he said she was at the school so often "I thought she worked for me. I didn't know she was a volunteer."

Mark Wolf volunteers at Sebring High School as the assistant band master. "It's unreal the amount of time he gives," said Anne Lindsay, the school's principal. He is at every program, game and competition. He probably spends 1,000 hours with the band every year. I can't thank you enough."

Tobey Smoak donated 516 hours to Cracker Trail Elementary. Among other contributions, she began the Poll Parent Program.

Tina Barber from Fred Wild Elementary is considered "a true treasure." Barber helps students make up math and was a proctor during the FCAT this year. She spends two days a week at the school.

Pamela Zipperer volunteers at the Kindergarten Learning Center. "She retired from the cafeteria and now she's back for free," said Richard Kogelschatz, the school's dean.

Karen LaCourt at Lake Country Elementary works with small groups. She was described as "a blessing."

Marianne Reason of Lake Placid Elementary works with the kids one on one. "The teachers love her," said Carey Conner, the school's principal.

Jeanette Furman is considered Memorial Elementary's "school mom."

Park Elementary Principal Brenda Longshore quoted outstanding volunteer Clara Boone. "If I can help someone, then my life is fulfilled. My life's purpose is to help others."

Sun 'N Lake volunteer Camille Schaffer "goes beyond the call of duty. We're so proud to have her as volunteer of the year," said Principal Linda Laye.

JoAnne DuBose was chosen by Woodlawn Elementary



News-Sun photo by CHRISTOPHER TUFFLEY

Mark Wolf, volunteer of the year at Sebring High School, gets a kiss from board member Jan Shoop. Wolf volunteers as the high school's assistant bandmaster.

School. "If I could be blessed with a fraction of her commitment, and a small portion of her energy," Melissa Blackman, assistant principal, said.

Arnold Davis is an icon and role model at Avon Park Middle where he counsels students during lunch time, three times a week.

Diana Thompson began the "Girl Talk Program" at Lake Placid Middle. "Thank you very much for your impact and positive outlook," said Assistant Principal Michael Halpern.

Four volunteers were unable to attend: Lucy Miller of Avon Elementary; Te-Ara Hunter of Sebring Middle School; Robert Crews of Avon Park High; and Steve Bullard of Lake Placid High School.

Fla. House not backing down on conservative agenda

BY BRENDAN FARRINGTON
Associated Press

TALLAHASSEE — While the GOP on the national level discusses whether it needs to change its messaging to appeal to a broader base, Republicans in the Florida House are clearly sticking with a conservative social agenda.

They voted to send a message to Congress and President Barack Obama to keep their hands off citizens' guns in the wake of the Newtown, Conn., elementary school shootings. In addition, the House is considering a bill that would allow guns in schools. It already has sent the Senate three bills aimed at protecting fetuses, along with another that would speed up the death penalty.

Then there's the bill the chamber passed to ban Shariah, or Islamic law, and other foreign laws from being applied in state courts,

though there's no evidence judges have used foreign law against Floridians.

"We don't need to change our principles; we do need to communicate that there is compassionate reason for some of the things that we do and why we hold to those principles," Rep. Dennis Baxley, R-Ocala, said. "Principles are the foundation upon which you build, and that's a pragmatic choice to have the right foundation in place. That's what value issues are all about."

Democrats say the focus on conservative social issues in the House distracts from more serious and immediate issues facing the state, such as the economy and unemployment.

"The challenge back to our Republican colleagues is to say, 'Look, what does this do to advance the dialogue of making Florida better?'" said Rep. Alan Williams. "I don't

think it does a whole lot. Right now we should be focused on how do we come out of this recession as a stronger, better Florida."

Williams, D-Tallahassee, said the conservative agenda doesn't reflect the state's moderate makeup or the message voters sent by backing Obama in the past two elections.

"I understand that they feel that they have to stick to their conservative core values, but Florida is a very moderate state," Williams said. "We miss the mark when we focus on bills like speeding up the death penalty, when we focus on a lot of the abortion issues, when we don't expand Medicaid."

House Democrats did join Republicans on one abortion bill sent to the Senate. The measure (HB 1129) would require medical care for newborns surviving botched abortions.

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SFSC offers driving courses

Special to the News-Sun

South Florida State College's Community Education Department is offering an Alcohol Drug Accident Prevention Training (ADAPT) course for first-time driver's license applicants.

The four-hour course will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday, May 4 at the SFSC Desoto Campus, 2252 N.E. Turner Ave., Arcadia; and Saturday, May 18 at the SFSC Hardee Campus, 2968 U.S. 17 N., Bowling Green.

The fee is \$38 and may be paid by cash, check, or credit card.

The college is also offering a Safe Driving Accident Prevention Program (SDAPP) course for drivers who have received a traffic citation, were court ordered to attend, or were involved in a traffic accident and issued a ticket.

The course is also offered to senior citizens who wish to brush up on current laws or get a discount on car insurance. Senior citizens should check with their insurance companies to see if they qualify.

The four-hour courses will be held from 5:30-9:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 8 at the SFSC DeSoto Campus, 2252 N.E. Turner Ave., Arcadia; from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday, May 11 at the SFSC Highlands Campus, 600 W. College Drive, Avon Park; and from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday, May 18 at the Hardee Campus, 2968 U.S. 17 N., Bowling Green.

The fee is \$43 and may be paid by cash, check, or credit card.

The Community Education Department is also offering a 12-hour Advanced Driver Improvement Course for drivers who have a suspended license or who have too many points on their license.

The course will be held from 5:30-9:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 21, and Thursday, May 23 at the SFSC Hardee Campus, 2968 U.S. 17 N., Bowling Green. The fee is \$145.

Pre-registration is required for all classes. Participants may register in Building B on the Highlands Campus or at any SFSC campus or center. For more information, contact the Community Education office at 784-7388.

Rare butterflies may be extinct

Associated Press

MIAMI — Federal wildlife officials are reviewing a South Florida butterfly survey that concluded that five rare species have vanished.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service hired entomologist Marc Minno to perform the survey. In reports filed late last year, Minno concluded that the Zestus skipper, the rockland Meske's skipper, the Zarucco duskywing, the nickerbean blue and the Bahamian swallowtail apparently had disappeared for good in Florida.



Sara Canali, of Sebring, (third from the left) poses with other contestants who participated in the Ms. Wheelchair Pageant in St. Petersburg on April 6.

Courtesy photo

Canali uses pageant to discuss problems in transportation for disabled

Special to the News-Sun

SEBRING — Sara Canali recently participated in the Ms. Wheelchair Pageant at the Hilton Carillon Park Hotel in St. Petersburg.

There were nine contestants from all over the state of Florida in the pageant on April 5-6. It was based on the person's platform about disability awareness. It was not a beauty pageant.

This was the first time Sebring's Canali participated in the contest. She spoke about how important it is for colleges, universities and programs for people with learning disabilities to provide wheelchair accessible transportation. In her experiences with the local college, she is unable to participate in field trips with the Art Club because the college only has regular vans and there is not a wheelchair-accessible van available to accommodate her.

"My grandparents can bring me, but that's not being independent," Canali said.

Highlands County is limited on transportation services for people with disabilities. Vans are available for medical appointments or other health needs but there are no services for people in wheelchairs who need to shop or work, let alone obtain a higher education, according to Canali.

"I took a tour at College Living Experience School in Jacksonville," she said. "They provide assistance for students with disabilities for academics and living skills. They don't have wheelchair accessible vans either."

They take students to the

college, grocery shopping and social outings. They also teach students how to take public transportation. Staff are available to assist with trips to doctors.

The college focuses primarily on individuals with learning disabilities and not those with physical disabilities. They do assist people with cerebral palsy.

Canali has cerebral palsy and a processing disorder, but she needs to use a wheelchair in order to get around.

"That program should meet all needs including physical disabilities, not just focus on learning disabilities," Canali said.

During the contest on April 5, Canali met Mayra Paulina Reyes, Ms. Wheelchair of 2011, for the first time in person. They have been friends through email.

"We have a lot in common. Mayra read my article when I got my GED in 2010, and she's also going for her GED and has cerebral palsy. She tried to help me by giving me confidence to give my speech. So we're helping each other," Canali said.

The next day, Canali and the other contestants met with a coach to practice giving their speeches. They also heard speakers on women's health, health fitness, disability policies and judging sessions.

"I knew one of the judges that I haven't seen in 10 years. She is my friend Robyn, who used to work at Shriners when I was a patient there. She is one of my role models. She has CP, graduated with a BA in journalism, does paralympics

and is an adaptive sports coach at a local YMCA. I met some people who have graduated from college with a degree and they are inspiring as well," Canali stated.

Camile Araujo was crowned Ms. Wheelchair 2013. She served 11 years for the Miami-Dade Police Department. She was in a car accident that left her paralyzed from the chest down.

"Even though I didn't win, I had a good time, a great learning experience and met many inspiring people. I hope to attend Ms. Wheelchair Pageant next year," Canali said.

Canali was sponsored at the contest by Central Barber Styling, Special STARS of Highlands County and Charla Ellerker, Disabilities Specialist counselor of South Florida State College.

USPCA to hold regional certification trials in Highlands

Special to the News-Sun

SEBRING — The United States Police Canine Association (USPCA) has chosen Highlands County to hold their Region I Certification and Field Trials. The event will be May 20-24 and will be hosted by the Highlands County Sheriff's Office. The competition is expected to draw officer/canine teams from across Florida and South Georgia.

HCSO Lieutenant Jim McGann, supervisor of the HCSO Canine Unit, is pleased to have this event in Highlands County. "We are relatively new members of the USPCA so we are honored to be selected to host this competition."

While competition headquarters will be the Chateau Elan Hotel, individual events will take place at various locations through the county. All events begin at 8 a.m.

Obedience and Agility will be Monday, May 20 and Box Searches and

May 21 at the Softball Complex on Martin Luther King Boulevard. Also on May 21 will be Detector Dogs — Vehicles at Sebring Raceway and Airport. Wednesday, May 22 will be Apprehension without Gunfire at Softball Complex on MLK, and at the Raceway will be Detector Dogs Inside Rooms. Apprehension with Gunfire will be Thursday, May 23 at the Softball Complex on MLK.

The highlight of the week will be a public display featuring all competitors at their finest. This event will take place on May 23 at the Sebring High School Football Stadium and will begin at 7 p.m. Further details on this event will follow. The week concludes with an invitation-only awards luncheon on Friday, May 24 at the Chateau Elan Hotel.

All events, including the public display are free and open to the public. For more information, contact McGann at 402-7463.

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Obama: Flight delay fix a 'Band-Aid'

By **JOSH LEDERMAN**
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Barack Obama says the congressional fix for widespread flight delays is an irresponsible way to govern, but he's prepared to sign the legislation that lawmakers fast-tracked.

He says the bipartisan bill to end furloughs of air traffic controllers is a "Band-Aid" solution rather than a lasting answer to this year's \$85 billion in across-the-board spending cuts known as the sequester.

The cuts have affected all federal agencies, and flight delays last week left thousands of travelers frustrated and furious and Congress feeling pressured to respond.

"Republicans claimed victory when the sequester first took effect, and now they've decided it was a bad idea all along," Obama said in his weekly radio and Internet address, aired Saturday.

He singled out the GOP

even though the bill passed with overwhelming Democratic support in both the House and Senate.

The president scolded lawmakers for helping the Federal Aviation Administration while doing nothing to replace other cuts that he said harm federal employees, unemployed workers and preschoolers in Head Start.

Rushed through Congress with remarkable speed, the bill marked a shift for Democrats who had hoped the impact of the cuts would increase pressure on Republicans to reverse the broad cuts.

"There are some in the Obama administration who thought inflicting pain on the public would give the president more leverage to avoid making necessary spending cuts, and to impose more tax hikes on the American people," said Rep. Bill Shuster of Pennsylvania in the Republican address.

EDITORIAL & OPINION

TODAY'S EDITORIAL

Rotting on death row a waste of space and time

On April 10, the State of Florida executed a man held on death row for 32 years.

Between 1980 — when he was convicted of kidnapping and murdering 10-year-old Eliza Nelson — and 1990 he was re-sentenced three times. It still took another 23 years.

This is not a discussion about the death penalty. The death penalty is a fact of law, whether you approve of it or not. In that context we feel a critical issue is the amount of time that passes between sentence and execution.

Once jury or judge have made a decision as to an individual's guilt or innocence, and a reasonable appeals process settles all the legal issues concerning evidence, witnesses and competent counsel, it should not take decades to follow through on the death penalty. For example, one death row inmate has been awaiting execution since he was sentenced in 1974 — 39 years.

According to the Florida Department of Corrections website, currently there are 405 individuals on death row — 249 white men and 148 black men. Thirteen are clas-

sified as "other." There are five women on Florida's death row.

Since 1979, when the U.S. Supreme reinstated the state's right to execute convicted criminals, Florida has put 74 people to death.

On average, those who are sentenced to death row live 13.22 years before facing the executioner.

Ten years just too much wasted time.

We do not favor a fast track into the execution chamber — it is a sin for the state to kill an innocent man or woman. We strongly feel the state must prove guilt, as opposed to a suspect proving his or her innocence.

Once a suspect is proven guilty, however, and had an honest appeal process to be sure the trial was fair, we can see no reason to drag things out for years.

It is cruel to the families of victims, who need justice in order to find some peace. It is unfair to society because any possible lesson is lost over the long years of delay. It is unfair to all the victims, who by the time their killer is executed often have faded from the public's eye. Why should convicted murderers become better known than the people they kill?

Justice must come quickly if it is to truly act as a deterrent.

TODAY'S LETTERS

'Political correctness' will be another nail in coffin

Editor:

Please stop calling the Tsarnaev brothers "radical" Muslims as though they were somebody special. They are true Muslims to the core in that they exemplify the mind of the founder of Islam, Muhammad. Anything less would be forsaking true Islam. Moderates and "peace-loving" Muslims are offensive to their own religion.

The Islam religion has never been from its beginning with Muhammad to this day "peace loving". Read the Qur'an and history!

"Political correctness" will be another nail in the coffin of the United States of America. Tolerance is sure death, destruction and defeat. Wake up America.

Frank Parker
Sebring

Gun owners will be ready for 2014

Editor:

The recent U.S. Senate vote on anti-second amendment gun control legislation left little doubt which side the various Senators were

on. The vote of John McCain was interesting. He sided with the gun control crowd. John McCain just showed the anti-gun colors that many Republicans suspected he had back in 2008. What about the GOP Presidential candidate in 2012, Mitt Romney? The same Mitt Romney who passed anti-second amendment legislation as governor of Massachusetts.

Neither candidate was considered a stalwart defender of gun rights by many politically active gun owners. Both McCain and Romney were considered the lesser evil compared to Obama by gun rights groups, but gun owners didn't see it.

In 2012 many gun owners in swing states like Florida and Ohio saw little difference between Obama and Romney on guns so they voted based on other issues. The loss of these and other pro-gun swing states cost Romney the election. Law-abiding gun owners will, however, be galvanized in the next two elections by the attacks on them and their rights by the elitist left.

The past elections should be a cautionary tale for both parties. For the democrats,

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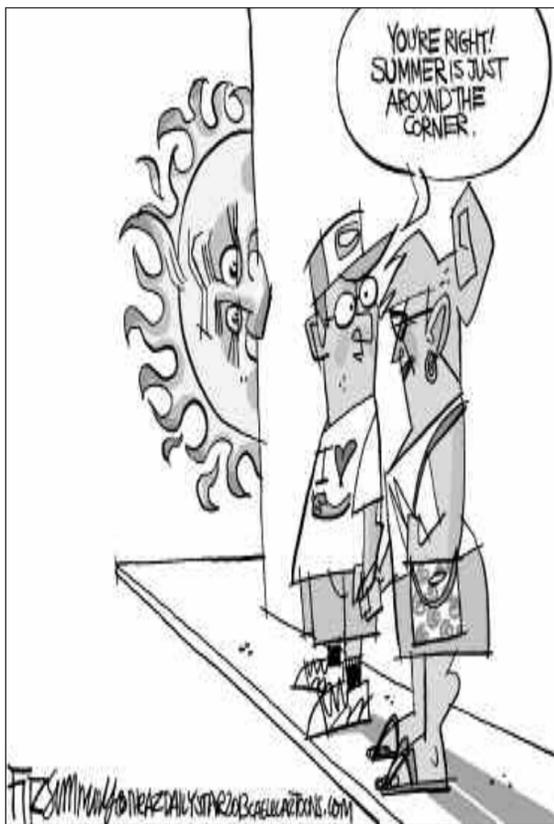
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One of the nice things I like about being a writer is that I can be very flexible when it comes to my time. I have written at all hours of the day, under all kinds of circumstances, in different places. Try that with your boss.

This flexibility has a downside, however. It's easy to get up and think, "I have all day to write." I then spend the day doing all kinds of important things such as spending time on Facebook or playing word games. Later in the day, I look back and smack my forehead. "Why didn't I get anything done?"

In an effort to help me out, Don sat me down and together we put together a schedule for me to follow. It has time for writing, time for housework, time to (ugh) exercise, and other things. We even plugged play time and reading into the schedule, so that I wouldn't have to quit my iPod games cold turkey.

I've tried to follow the schedule, but I keep running into problems. One is I'm supposed to be writing early in the morning several days a week, but I'm finding myself listening to Barry Foster on AM 730 and struggling to get my brain started. Theoretically I could listen to Barry and write at the same time, but I haven't quite pulled it off yet.

And the time we set aside for exercise? I made it once since we put the schedule in place. I admit to feeling slightly guilty about that. But it seems when the schedule gets knocked off-kilter and something has to be pitched, exercise gets picked.

I recently discovered another flaw in the schedule. While we tried to include every possible thing that I can do or should be doing, we left out something pretty important. We did not schedule any naptime for me.

To understand my affinity for naps, you have to understand that I am a night person forced to live in a world run by day people. This means that I'd like to stay up late and sleep in. While I have the staying up late part down, life keeps interfering with my desire to sleep in.

So around the middle of the afternoon I'm often starting to flag. This is where the strong desire to drop everything and take a snooze is the strongest. If I don't at least lay down for a bit then I finish out the day feeling somewhat cranky. I am not a very fun person to be around when I'm cranky.

I don't know why people are down on midday naps for adults. We encourage kids to take naps, so why do we have to stop the habit when we're adults? A siesta in the middle of the day has the potential to re-energize one without resorting to caffeine. www.webmd.com has an article that talks about naps and their benefits to one's creativity and energy levels.

Take a stand with me for naps. Or better yet, lay down. Even a short 15- to 20-minute snooze will recharge your body's batteries. Let's encourage employers throughout the country to accommodate the afternoon nap!

There's more that can be said about this subject, but it's getting to the middle of the afternoon. I hear a nap calling me. And I am answering the call. If only exercise had a louder voice.

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Editor:

It is past time for the Politically Corrects in Washington to tell America the truth about the terrorists. Not all Muslims are terrorists, but most terrorists are Muslims. To hear all the PCs in Washington speak they want us to believe that they must be Christians, Jews, Tea Party people, anyone but a Muslim.

Thousands of Americans have died in Iraq, Afghanistan and in America at the hands of terrorists. We should remember forever the photo of the Boston bomber walking past the crowd at the finish line moments before the explosion that killed and injured innocent Americans.

The PCs in Washington do not want you to ask who did this, just move along and don't ask any questions about terrorists. It only takes one terrorist to kill and injure hundreds, if not thousands, of innocent Americans.

If there are any honest speaking politicians in Washington they would be telling Americans the truth about who the terrorists are and not try to hide behind the PC banner of "we must not offend a class of people". Some of our schools of higher learning are teaching that the Jews and Americans are the enemy, not the terrorists that continue to kill and injure innocent Americans.

Are we to feel safe at any major event knowing that terrorists may be there with the intent to kill innocent Americans. It is time to stand up to the PC politicians in Washington and if they do not speak out with the truth about who the enemy is that wants to kill all Americans, vote them out of office as they are not there to protect Americans but to hide behind their PC desk.

John Larsen
Sebring

HCSO sniper shines in state competition

Sgt. David Stewart sixth out of 32

Special to the News-Sun
SEBRING — The Highlands County Sheriff's Office recently sent one of its Special Weapons And Tactics (SWAT) Team Snipers to participate in the Florida SWAT Association's Spring Shootout. The event was held in Orlando and drew competitors from law enforcement agencies across the state.

Sgt. Dave Stewart finished sixth in the individual competition in a field of 32 competitors.

The event spanned two days and included eight individual events. Each event was designed to test the sniper's fitness level, speed,

endurance, marksmanship and problem solving ability. The snipers were required to maneuver through obstacles while carrying their equipment and fire on targets ranging from 15 to 500 yards away. Each target was different in size and appearance — some as large as a human, some as small as a wooden dowel.

The different events were set up to mimic scenarios the sniper might have to deal with in an actual SWAT incident.

Since Stewart went to the competition as an individual, he was paired up with a partner from the Orlando Police Department to compete in the two-man team events. Together they finished a respectable 12th overall as a team.



Courtesy photo
Highlands County Sheriff's Office Sgt. Dave Stewart (front row, middle) finishes sixth in state competition at the Florida SWAT Association event earlier this month.

Community Briefs

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the high school. It will be an evening of showcasing the academic achievements of our students. There will be free food and drawings for prizes.

All students and parents can come and enjoy this evening.

Sign up night set for Cub Scouts

SEBRING — The Gulf Ridge Council, Boy Scouts of America will hold a Cub Scout sign up at 6 p.m. Tuesday at the Kindergarten Learning Center's cafeteria, 3560 U.S. 27 South.

All boys entering first grade in the fall of 2013 through fifth grade are welcome to attend. Come out and learn all about Scouting. For more information about Cub Scouts or Boy Scouts in Highlands County, contact Julie Diaz at (863) 370-7608 or jdiaz@boyscouting.com.

Host an exchange student

World Heritage Student Exchange Program, a non-profit, public benefit organization, is seeking local host families for high school boys and girls from Spain, Germany, Thailand, Norway, China, Russia, France, the former Soviet Republics, Denmark, Italy, Sweden and more.

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the student as a member of their family. Couples, single parents and families with and without children in the home are all encouraged to host. You can choose a student for a semester or for the school year.

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Imagine a world of peace and greater understanding. Imagine yourself as part of the solution. Today's teens are tomorrow's parents, international business people and possibly even future political leaders. Please share your corner of America by hosting a World Heritage exchange student and helping them experience life in your area. For more information, call local World Heritage area representative Maggie Japinoski at (407) 346-1316 or (800) 888-9040 toll free. Also visit www.whHosts.com for more information.

Events planned at lodges, posts

LAKE PLACID

The American Legion Post 25 will host music by Jimmy Black from 5-8

p.m. today. Casino trip set for 8:30 a.m. Tuesday. Call 655-0232 for details. For more information, call 465-0975.

The VFW Post 3880 Men's Auxiliary meets at 7 p.m. Thursday. Music by Bud Followell on Friday; call for time. Get tickets early for baby-back ribs being served at 5:30 p.m. (\$7 for half rack and \$10 for full rack). For more information, call 699-5444.

SEBRING

The Sebring Moose Lodge 2259 will host NASCAR on the screen (call for time) and corn hole game from 3-6 p.m. today. For more information, call 655-3920.

The Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 4300 will host karaoke with Mega Soundz from 5-8 p.m. today. Music by Frank "E" will be from 6-9 p.m. Tuesday. For details, call 385-8902.

Sebring Recreation Club, 333 Pomegranate Ave., will host ice cream shuffleboard at 6:30 p.m. Monday. For more information, call 385-2966.

VFW Post 4300 will host music by Chrissy from 5-8 p.m. Wednesday. Music by Gary Oliver from 6-9 p.m. Friday. Kentucky Derby Day is Saturday with mint juleps and a prize for Best Hat contest. The race fun starts at 3 p.m. Honor Guard, Bob's famous meatloaf from 5-7 p.m. Music by Todd Allen from 6-9 p.m. For details, call 385-8902.

Obituaries

BARBARA RIGGLEMAN

A memorial service will be held at 7 p.m. Wednesday, May 1 for Barbara L. (Bobby) Riggleman, of Lake Placid, who died Feb. 2, 2013 at the age of 72.

Bobby was born Feb. 6, 1940 in Columbus, Ohio, to John and Thelma Lykings. She was the manager of human resources for U.S. Shoe Corp. and Elder Beerman Retail prior to retiring in 1993 and moving to Lake Placid with her husband, James. She was a member of the American Legion Auxiliary, Ladies of the Elks and the VFW

Auxiliary.

She was preceded in death by her parents, son-in-law David Schweller and granddaughter Nikki Schweller, both of Wilmington, Ohio. She is survived by her husband of 48 years, James; daughter, Dawn Carl (Skip) of Lake Placid; granddaughters, Haley Carl of Lake Placid and Leah M. Schweller Carpenter (Don); great-grandchildren, Katelynn, Brooke, Kelly and D.J.

The memorial service will be at 7 p.m. Wednesday, May 1 at Trinity Lutheran Church, 25 Lakeview St., Lake Placid.



Riggleman

JACQUELINE TILLMAN

Jacqueline "Jackie" Feyes Tillman, age 66, passed away on Thursday, April 25, 2013 in Lakeland, Fla. She was born in Wilkensburg, Pa. on March 26, 1947 to Alex and Elsie (Arendas) Feyes. A resident of Vero Beach, Fla. since

1947, she graduated from Vero Beach High School in 1965. She received an Associate in Arts Degree from Lakeland Institute of Fine Arts. She was a receptionist for Rissman, Barrett, Hurt, Donahue & McLain, P.A. in Vero Beach, Fla. for 14 years. She was a member of St. Helen's Catholic Church in Vero Beach and a member of the Indian River County chapter of MADD where she served as a state representative. She also worked with the Indian River County Sheriff's Department Victim's Assistance program.

She moved to Sebring, Fla. in 2005 to be closer to her only sister. For the last eight years, she was employed with South Florida State College, Avon Park, Fla., where she served as a case data specialist, Panther Youth Partners. She was a member of St. Catherine Catholic Church in Sebring and a member of the Eagles Club.

She had a knack for quoting movies and a passion for searching on Google. She was a fiery, independent woman, who fought for what she believed to be important. With that fighting spirit, she was never afraid to offer her opinion, even if you didn't ask for it. Her booming laugh and

jubilant voice often preceded her into a room. Those who knew her will most likely remember her contagious smile and unending compassion. And though we lost her light here on

earth, heaven just became that much more interesting. She is survived by her only daughter and son-in-law, Trinity (Hundredmark) and Joseph Fitzpatrick of Atlanta, Ga.; her sister, Dr. Deborah Fuschetti of Sebring, Fla.; and granddaughter, Elsa Fitzpatrick.

Visitation will be held on Sunday, April 28, 2013 from 5-7 p.m. at the Stephenson-Nelson Funeral Home with service at St. Catherine Catholic Church on Monday, April 29, 2013 at 11 a.m. with Father Peter Sheehan officiating. A graveside service will take place at Hillcrest Memorial Gardens in Fort Pierce, Fla. on Tuesday, April 30, 2013 at 1 p.m. Arrangements entrusted to Stephenson-Nelson Funeral Home, Sebring, Fla.



Tillman

United Way receives \$1 million planned gift

Special to the News-Sun
SEBRING — The United Way of Central Florida - Highlands County division recently received a \$1 million planned gift to be added to its endowment. The gift, which has been thoughtfully and carefully placed in an investment account by the Highlands County board, is to be used to support United Way programs in Highlands County.

Only a portion of the earnings from this investment will be used each year in order to allow the endowment to continue to grow. The expressed wish of the donor family was to remain anonymous.

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Courtesy photo

Eric Marshall shows off his new look after losing 47 pounds and trimming his body fat by 20 percent.

Biggest Loser winner has new body, new outlook on life

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while, but I actually waited until the very last minute to sign up. I wasn't going to do it," Marshall said.

After completing his first 5K run on day one of the Challenge, Marshall discovered a confidence and drive in himself that hadn't ever emerged before. Marshall said completing the run felt good and he was surprised at his completion time of 37.9 minutes.

Marshall began his journey on the Biggest Loser Challenge at 227 pounds with approximately 27 percent body fat. Marshall is a type 1 diabetic, diagnosed when he was 13. At the time Marshall started his challenge, his metabolic age was 44 and he was using more than 100 units of insulin a day.

"When I saw my metabolic age I just thought 'Wow. I'm only 29,'" Marshall said.

The ah-ha moment put Marshall in an even higher gear, giving him the motivation he needed to go at the challenge with everything he had.

VanFleet created a diverse series of workouts that were both fun and physically challenging for the 15 participants.

"Oh, she kept it interesting. There was a broad range of activities. We didn't ever know what we were getting

If you want to change, you have to try to want to change and you have to stay dedicated. If you don't, it's just not going to work. You can't give up.

Eric Marshall
YMCA Biggest Loser challenge winner

into. She just told us where to meet up and what to wear," Marshall said. "There was never a dull moment."

Marshall admits balancing a tough training regimen, early workout hours and a full-time job was a difficult task, but he managed to stick with it, despite the fact that the first four weeks of the challenge were "really brutal."

"His transformation was a jaw-dropper for sure," VanFleet said. "The percentage of weight loss was great. The second-place winner wasn't even really close to what he lost. He is the Biggest Loser poster boy."

The last challenge for the 13-week project was a second 5K run, which Marshall had no problem finishing. His new time was 24.4 minutes.

Marshall lost a total of 47 pounds over the course of the Biggest Loser Challenge. His current metabolic age is now 19 years old.

"Getting healthy for myself has become addicting. I'm very active now. If you want to change, you have to try to want to change and you have to stay dedicated. If you don't, it's just not going to work. You can't give up. I didn't know doing something just for myself, just to better myself, would inspire so many other people, but I'm glad it has," Marshall said.

Marshall received a \$250 check, a one-year family membership to the YMCA, a gift basket full of Everglades Seasoning goodies, personal training sessions with VanFleet and many other items for his accomplishment. Marshall has also been featured on the NBC Biggest Loser website, www.nbc.com/the-biggest-loser/.

The next Biggest Loser Challenge will take place later in the year. VanFleet is launching a Biggest Loser Boot Camp, which will last only six weeks rather than 13, on May 28. For more information on becoming a member of the Biggest Loser Challenge, contact the Highlands County YMCA at 382-9622 or visit www.highlandsymca.org/.

Trinder picked to take reins at Avon Park Chamber of Commerce

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have to be approved by the board and I have not presented any of this to them yet," she cautioned.

A graduate of Avon Park High School, Trinder attended Florida State University, worked for a time at Walt Disney World then went into the local financial world both at SunTrust and Highlands Independent banks. Most recently, she has been doing information technology consulting, which leads to the direction she would like to take the chamber.

"I think we could make better use of Internet and technology – even automation," she said.

In addition to using the Internet for marketing, Trinder said plans are under way to work more closely with her fellow chamber executives in Sebring and Lake Placid. Plans are being formulated to hold additional tri-chamber events and for Trinder to get together with Greater Sebring Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Steve Nyhan and

Lake Placid Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Eileen May on a more regular basis to see how they can maximize their efforts by working together.

Because most of the big Avon Park chamber events have already taken place, Trinder said it would give the organization time to implement and perfect programs before the season picks up again in the fall.

The one large event yet to be taken care of is the chamber's annual banquet – that will be in June.

Although the serving as the director for the chamber and working for a board is a bit different from her past jobs, Trinder said she is looking forward to it.

"I think this is going to be good. I love a challenge," she said.

Reportedly, things have started moving forward, with more volunteers already working at the chamber offices. Trinder said more things will be nailed down following the next meeting of the chamber board.

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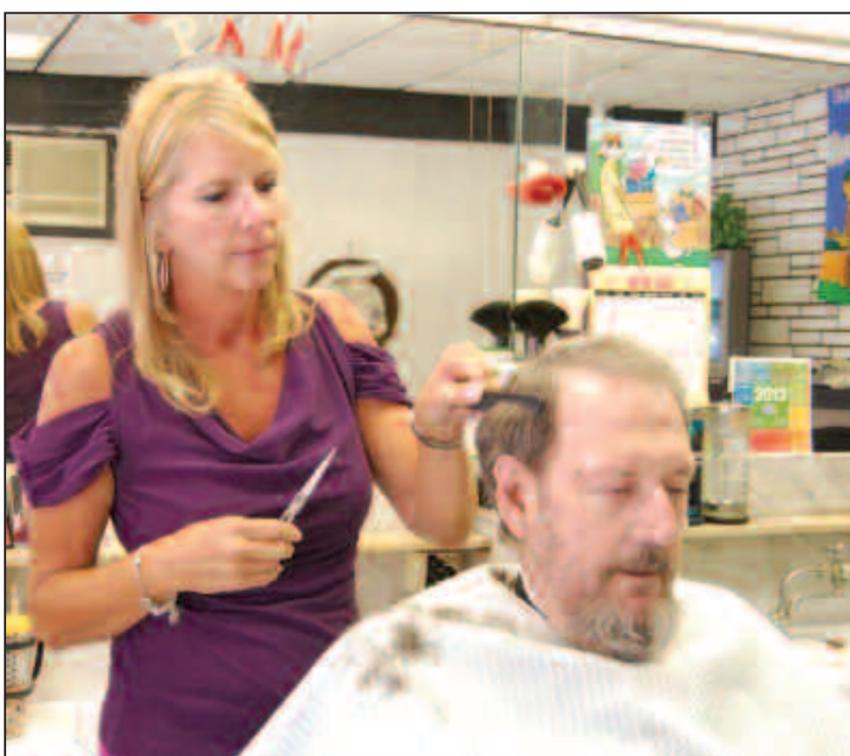
By **HOLBROOK MOHR**
Associated Press

JACKSON, Miss. — A Mississippi man whose home and business were searched as part of an investigation into poisoned letters sent to the president and others has been arrested in the case, according to the FBI.

Everett Dutschke, 41, was arrested about 12:50 a.m. Saturday at his Tupelo home by FBI special agents in connection with the letters, FBI spokeswoman Deborah Madden said. The letters, which allegedly contained ricin, were sent last week to President Barack Obama, Sen. Roger Wicker of Mississippi and earlier to an 80-year-old Mississippi judge, Sadie Holland.

Madden said FBI special agents arrested Dutschke (pronounced DUHS'-kee) without incident. She said additional questions should be directed to the U.S. attorney's office. The office in Oxford did not immediately respond to messages Saturday.

Dutschke's attorney, Lori Nail Basham, did not immediately respond to phone or text messages Saturday. Basham said earlier this week that Dutschke was "cooperating fully" with investigators. Dutschke has insisted he had nothing to do with the letters.



News-Sun photo by CHRISTOHER TUFFLEY
Pamela J. Kirouac cuts Robert Renner's hair. In 30 years, Kirouac has seen hair styles change. Renner keeps to the old ways.

Many changes seen in area, business

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been looking through the window," she said.

Kirouac would know. Moving here at 3 years of age with her family from Wheeling, W.Va., Kirouac graduated from Sebring High School in 1981.

Over time, she said, changes mostly had to do with business openings and closings. "Back then downtown was a circle of different businesses, and there were a lot more (of them).

"There were bad times, then good times. We're back to a trying time. I see a new business move in, and a month later they're gone.

"I often say if you're not a needed business you're not

going to survive downtown."

Another challenge, Kirouac said, is that downtown ebbs and flows with the tourist season. Winter resident customers outnumber those who live here year round, but "my regulars keep the bills paid in the summers," she said.

Kirouac wistfully remembers the hey-day of the annual 24 Hours of Art festival held every November. "When we used to do the art festival, the men would come in for haircuts while their wives went browsing and shopping," she said.

Hair styles have changed over the year too, Kirouac said. "With little kids it used to be flat-tops and crew cuts, now they're more into fades.

Older men are wearing their hair much shorter if it's thinning."

Prices have risen. In the early 1980s, Kirouac said, a haircut cost \$4; 30 years later a haircut costs \$12.

Three decades takes its toll physically too.

"I don't know how much longer I can do this," Kirouac said. "I have a bad back from bending my knees, and I stand on my feet and legs all day." She laughed and added, "flapping my arms up and down like a bird."

Kirouac hopes to retire in five years from cutting hair, but right now she's content. "I'm so happy to have had it this long," she said.

US tries new aerial tools in Caribbean drug fight

By **BEN FOX**

Associated Press

ABOARD THE HIGH SPEED VESSEL SWIFT — Drug smugglers who race across the Caribbean in speedboats will typically jettison their cargo when spotted by surveillance aircraft, hoping any chance of prosecuting them will vanish with the drugs sinking to the bottom of the sea.

That may be a less winning tactic in the future. The U.S. Navy on Friday began testing two new aerial tools, borrowed from the battlefields of Afghanistan and Iraq, that officials say will make it easier to detect, track and videotape drug smugglers in action.

One of the devices on display aboard the High Speed Vessel Swift is a large, white balloon-like craft known as an aerostat, which is tethered up to 2,000 feet (600 meters) above the ship's stern. The other tool on board for tests in the Florida Straits is a type of drone that can be launched by hand from the deck.

Together, they expand the ability of Navy and Coast Guard personnel to see what's beyond their horizon, according to officials from both military branches and the contractors hoping to sell the devices to the U.S. government.

The devices should allow authorities to detect and monitor suspected drug shipments from afar for longer sustained periods, giving them a better chance of stopping the smugglers. They also should allow

them to make continuous videotapes that can be used in prosecutions.

"Being able to see them and watch what they are doing even before we get there is going to give us an edge," said Chief Chris Sinclair, assistant officer in charge of a law enforcement detachment on board the Swift, a private vessel leased to the Navy that is about to begin a monthlong deployment to the southwestern Caribbean, tracking the busy smuggling routes off Colombia and Honduras.

Crews practiced launching and operating both systems before a small contingent of news media on board the Swift, managing to bring back video of vessels participating in a mock surveillance mission as well as radar and video images of the fishing charters and sailboats that dot the choppy seas separating Cuba from the U.S. mainland.

Both the aerostat and the drone have been used widely by the U.S. government for overseas actions, but Harris and others aboard the Swift said neither has been used before by the Navy to conduct counter-drug operations.

Unmanned aerial devices, however, are not new to the drug fight. U.S. Customs and Border Protection operates 10 Predator drones, including two based in Cape Canaveral, Florida, that patrol a wide swathe of the Caribbean through the Bahamas and down to south of Puerto Rico.

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Summer swim program set for Lake Placid

Special to the News-Sun

LAKE PLACID – The Summer Swim Program will offer six sessions this summer. Each session will be one week long and the swim class meets each weekday, Monday-Friday.

The program will offer nine types of instruction:

1. Adults only– For the novice or experience but no experience is necessary. Can also assist swimmers with development of stroke and breathing technique. All levels welcome.

2. Parent and Child Aquatics - Helps develop swimming readiness by leading the parents and their children in water exploration activities with the objective of having fun and becoming comfortable in, on and around the water.

3. Preschool Aquatics - The objective is to promote the developmentally appropriate learning of fundamental water safety and aquatic skills by young children including breath control, buoyancy, treading water and swimming on front and back.

4. Learn to Swim Level 1 - Introduction to Water Skills - Helps the student feel comfortable in the water and enjoy the water safely while teaching elementary aquatic skills.

5. Learn to Swim Level 2 - Fundamental Aquatic Skills -

Provides the student with opportunities for success with fundamental skills and marks the beginning of true locomotion skills. Participants further develop simultaneous and alternating arm and leg actions on the front and back.

6. Learn to Swim Level 3 - Stroke Development - Student must have passed level 2 and be able to swim on their front for 20 feet, roll to their back and float for 15 seconds, roll to their front and continue swimming for 20 additional feet. Additional kicks and diving are introduced.

7. Learn to Swim Level 4 - Stroke Improvement - Student must have passed level 3, be able to jump into deep water on their front for 15 yards with rotational breathing, float for 30 seconds and swim back crawl for 15 yards. Participants learn to improve their skills and endurance as well as additional strokes and turns.

8. Learn to Swim Level 5 - Stroke Refinement - Student must have passed level 4, swim a full length of the pool doing front crawl, then change directions and return doing backstroke, as well as tread water for one minute and be able to swim breaststroke for 15 yards. Stroke refinement and increased distance is the focus of this level.

9. Learn to Swim Level 6 - Various topics to include: Diving, Fitness Swimming and Lifeguard

Readiness. Student must be able to swim two full lengths of the pool swimming crawl and one length of breaststroke and back crawl, dive and perform all strokes.

There will be a \$25 fee for each one-week session. The schedule of sessions is as follows:

Week 1 - June 11-14; Week 2 - June 17-21; Week 3 - June 24-28; Week 4 - July 8-12; Week 5 - July 15-19; and Week 6 - July 22-26.

Weeks 1-3 - 9-9:50 a.m. - Level 1, Level 2, Level 3 and Preschool Aquatics.

From 10-10:50 a.m. - Level 1, Level 2, Level 3 and Level 4 and 5.

From 11-11:50 a.m. - Level 1, Level 2, Level 3, Preschool Aquatics and Mom and Tot.

From 5:10-6 p.m. - Level 1, Level 2, Level 3 and 4, Mom and Tot and Adult Beginner.

Weeks 4-6:
From 9-9:50 a.m. - Level 1, Level 2, Level 3, Level 4 and 5.

From 10-10:50 a.m. - Level 1, Level 2, Level 3, Mom and Tot and Preschool Aquatics.

From 11-11:50 a.m. - Level 1, Level 2, Level 3 and Preschool Aquatics.

From 5:10-6 p.m. - Level 1, Level 2 and 3, Level 5 and 6, Mom and Tot and Adult Beginner.

If a level you need is not offered at the time you need, every effort will be made to accommodate a child.

Parents may begin signing up students Monday, May 6 at Lake Placid High School pool. Parents may sign up for any and all sessions they wish and remember, it is "first come, first served." Sign up on the pool deck weekdays 6-7:30 p.m. from May 6 until classes begin.

There will be no refunds after completion of registration and payment of fees, unless a swim class is canceled or discontinued.

If you have any questions, call LPHS at 699-5010 or Karl Lambert at 441-0309.

Open Swim admission is \$2.50, and will be available from 6-8 p.m. weekdays from May 6 through June 7. Beginning June 10, open swim will be from 1-4 p.m. Monday through Saturday, and 6-8 p.m. Monday-Friday.

During evening swim time, there will be lanes set up for lap swimming. Season passes may be purchased for \$50 per person or \$100 family. These are good for any time that the pool is open to the public.

The pool will be closed on Memorial Day (May 27) and for Independence Day (July 4).

If you have any questions, call Cindy Rivers at LPHS at 699-5010 or Lambert at 441-0309.

Florida lawmakers sign off on college tuition hikes

By GARY FINEOUT
Associated Press

TALLAHASSEE — Top Florida Republican legislators — insisting that tuition in the state remains a "bargain" — are calling for a 3 percent tuition hike this fall.

It's not clear, however, if the tuition hike for college and university students will take effect because Gov. Rick Scott has said he would oppose any attempts to raise tuition.

But budget negotiators went ahead Friday night and agreed to the tuition hike as part of the final negotiations over a \$74 billion proposed budget. Legislators have until Tuesday to wrap up their work in order to end the session by May 3.

Sen. Joe Negron, R-Stuart and Senate budget chief, defended the proposed hike as a modest increase. He also pointed out that in the final go-round of negotiations, legislators agreed to put more money into financial aid programs.

"We have made a number of wise investments in making sure students in Florida can attend college," Negron said.

Florida college students do pay among some of the lowest tuition rates in the nation. But Scott earlier this week repeated his opposition to any tuition hikes this year.

"Florida families can't afford it," said Scott, a Republican who faces reelection next year. "...Every time they raise tuition, which they have done for five straight years, it impacts the poorest families in the state."

Some say immigration bill is bad deal for GOP

By CHARLES BABINGTON
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Some feisty Republicans are challenging a claim widely held among GOP leaders that the party must support more liberal immigration laws if it's to be more competitive in presidential elections.

These doubters say the Republican establishment has the political calculation backward. Immigration

"reform," they say, will mean millions of new Democratic-leaning voters by granting citizenship to large numbers of Hispanic immigrants now living illegally in the United States.

The argument is dividing the party as it tries to reposition itself after losing the popular vote in five of the past six presidential elections. It also could endanger President Barack Obama's

bid for a legacy-building rewrite of the nation's problematic immigration laws.

Many conservatives "are scared to death" that the Republican Party "is committing suicide, that we're going to end up legalizing 9 million automatic Democrat voters," radio host Rush Limbaugh recently told Sen. Marco Rubio (R-Fla.), a leader of the bipartisan team pushing an immigration

overhaul. Strategists in both parties say several factors, including income levels, would make many, and probably most, newly enfranchised immigrants pro-Democratic, at least for a time.

"Every political movement, conservatism included, depends on the ability to convince people that do not agree with you now to agree with you in the future,"

Rubio told Limbaugh. Politically, Republicans face two bad options.

They can try to improve relations with existing Latino voters by backing a plan that seems likely to add many Democratic-leaning voters in the years ahead. Or they can stick with a status quo in which their presidential nominees are losing badly among the electorate's fastest-growing segment.

AUCTIONS

Okeechobee, Florida
May 17, 2013
BULL HEAD RANCH

- Previously offered at \$1,440,00
- Suggested opening bid: \$450,000
- 192 acres offered as two separate parcels
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- Parcel "B" has 141.3 +/- acres of improved pasture with a pond.

For the Okeechobee Property, please contact:
Jerry R. Hetfield and Billy McGee (954-449-2700)
Licensed Florida Real Estate Brokers
Prudential Florida Realty
1306 SE 17th Street
Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33316



Avon Park, Florida
May 18, 2013
21 N. Lake Avenue

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- Suggested opening bid \$9.00 / sq. ft.
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For the Avon Park Property, please contact:
Worden Realty (800-780-9550)
615 W. Main Street
Avon Park, Florida 33825



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6 p.m.

Thursday, May 2
6 p.m.



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1050 Legals

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION
Case No.: 11-937-GCS
HIGHLANDS INDEPENDENT BANK, Plaintiff,
vs.
N. RUSSELL KERN and JANICE R. KERN, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the "Final Judgment on Amended Verified Complaint (the "Final Judgment"), entered in the above-styled action on April 17, 2013, 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 May 15, 2013, at 11:00 a.m.:

EXHIBIT A
All of Lot 22, Block F, and a portion of Parcel G of SPRING LAKE VILLAGE VIII, as per plat recorded in Plat Book 11, Page 8, of the Public Records of Highlands County, Florida, with the portion of Parcel G being more particularly described as follows: Begin at the Southwesterly corner of Lot 22, Block F, of said subdivision; thence run South 37 degrees 05'22" East a distance of 169.73 feet; thence North 80 degrees 34'00" East a distance of 52.97 feet; thence North 29 degrees 39'00" West a distance of 191.27 feet to a point on the arc of a curve concave to the Southeast; thence in a Southwesterly direction and along the arc of said curve to the left curve having for its elements a radius of 553.62 feet; a central angle of 7 degrees 26'22"; and a chord bearing of South 56 degrees 37'49" West a distance of 71.88 feet to Point of Beginning.

Lot 23, in Block F, and a portion of Parcel G of SPRING LAKE VILLAGE VIII, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 11, Page 8, of the Public Records of Highlands County, Florida. That portion of Parcel G, being more particularly described as follows: BEGIN at the Southwesterly corner of Lot 23, Block F of said subdivision; thence run South 29 degrees 39 minutes 00 seconds East a distance of 191.27 feet; thence North 80 degrees 34 minutes 00 seconds East a distance of 48.11 feet; thence North 22 degrees 12 minutes 38 seconds West a distance of 204.96 feet to a point on the arc of a curve concave to the Southeast; thence in a Southwesterly direction and along the arc of said curve to the left (curve having for its elements a radius of 553.62 feet, a central angle of 7 degrees 26 minutes 22 seconds and a chord bearing of South 64 degrees 04 minutes 11 seconds West) a distance of 71.88 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/ Toni Kopp
Deputy Clerk
April 21, 28, 2013

NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION/DISPOSITION
ACCORDING TO THE FLORIDA SELF STORAGE ACT, THE FOLLOWING STORAGE UNITS, LOCATED AT 1ST SECURITY SELF STORAGE, 1866 WILBURN DRIVE, AVON PARK, FL 33825 WILL BE DISPOSED OF ON MAY 6, 2013 AT 10:00 AM. ALL UNITS ARE SAID TO CONTAIN HOUSEHOLD GOODS UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED:

- NAMES AND UNIT NUMBER ARE AS FOLLOWS:
- A004 Basil Makris
 - A010 Milton Lewis
 - A013 Catherine Wyatt
 - B042 Heinz Tengler
 - B046 Donald Cook
 - C007 Jason Lister
 - C016 Susan Machinsky
 - C077 Sharon Rowlson
 - D092 Heinz Tengler
 - D108 James Brown
 - D132 Namoi Breevold
 - E028 Basil Makris
 - E056 Reggie Moore
 - E083 Richard Ellington
 - F027 Michael Plum

DISPOSITION being made to SATISFY LANDLORD'S LIEN. MANAGEMENT reserves ALL RIGHTS under FLORIDA LAW. ALL PAYMENTS MUST BE MADE IN CASH, OR CERTIFIED FUNDS.
April 21, 28, 2013

1050 Legals

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO. 11000634GCS

THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON FKA THE BANK OF NEW YORK, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY AS TRUSTEE FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE CERTIFICATEHOLDERS OF THE CWABS INC., ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2005-16, PLAINTIFF,
VS.
GARY B. BINGER, ET AL., DEFENDANT(S).

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated September 20, 2012, in the above action, I will sell to the highest bidder for cash at Highlands, Florida, on July 23, 2013, at 11:00 AM, at Basement of courthouse in Jury Assembly Room - 430 S. Commerce Ave., Sebring, FL 33870 for the following described property:

LOT 60, GOLF HAMMOCK UNIT TWO, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 12, PAGE 47, 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 sixty (60) days after the sale. The Court, in its discretion, may enlarge the time of the sale. Notice of the changed time of sale shall be published as provided herein.

DATED: _____
By: /s/ Toni Kopp
Deputy Clerk of the Court

Prepared by:
Gladstone Law Group, P.A.
1499 W. Palmetto Park Rd., Suite 300
Boca Raton, FL 33486
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, 255 North Broadway Avenue, Bartow, FL 33830 at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

April 28; May 5, 2013

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 10TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO. 13000566CAXMX
BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON TRUST COMPANY, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FKA THE BANK OF NEW YORK TRUST COMPANY, N.A., AS SUCCESSOR TO JPMORGAN CHASE BANK N.A. SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO BANK ONE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION AS TRUSTEE FOR RAMP 2001RS1 Plaintiff
vs.
RHONDA R. SEGERT A/K/A RHONDA SEGERT, ET AL Defendants

NOTICE OF ACTION
TO: WILLIAM JAMES SEGERT
607 WASHINGTON BLVD.
LAKE PLACID, FL 33852

WILLIAM JAMES SEGERT
1335 COUGAR BLVD.
SEBRING, FL 33872

WILLIAM JAMES SEGERT
106 SUNNYSIDE COURT
LAKE PLACID, FL 33852

AND TO: All persons claiming an interest by, through, under, or against the aforesaid Defendant(s).

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose a mortgage on the following described property located in Highlands County, Florida:

LOT 4, BLOCK 2, OF HIGHLANDS PARK ESTATES, SECTION L, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 5, PAGE 72, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA,
has been filed against you, and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to this action, on Greenspoon Marder P.A., Default Department, Attorneys for Plaintiff, whose address is Trade Centre South, Suite 700, 100 West Cypress Creek Road, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33309, and file the original with the Clerk within 30 days after the first publication of this notice, in the NEWS SUN or on or before May 28, 2013; otherwise a default and a judgment may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL OF SAID COURT on this 15th day of April, 2013.
ROBERT W. GERMAINE
As Clerk of said Court
By: /s/ Darren Whidden
As Deputy Clerk
April 21, 28, 2013

1050 Legals

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION Case No. 2012 CA 000727

U.S. Bank, National Association, as Trustee for the Holders of the Specialty Underwriting and Residential Finance Trust, Mortgage Loan Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2006-BC4 Plaintiff,
vs.
Kevin Dewberry, et al., Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Summary Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated April 18, 2013, entered in Case No. 2012 CA 000727 of the Circuit Court of the Tenth Judicial Circuit, in and for Highlands County, Florida, wherein U.S. Bank, National Association, as Trustee for the Holders of the Specialty Underwriting and Residential Finance Trust, Mortgage Loan Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2006-BC4 is the Plaintiff and Kevin Dewberry; Amanda Dewberry; Unknown Tenant #1; Unknown Tenant #2 are the Defendants, that I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at, the Jury Assembly Room in the basement of the courthouse, 590 South Commerce Avenue, Sebring, FL 33870, beginning at 11:00 AM on the 3rd day of July, 2013, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

LOT 22, BLOCK 28, OF SUN 'N LAKE ESTATES OF SEBRING, UNIT 2, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 9, PAGE 48 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.
Dated this 19th day of April, 2013.

Robert Germaine
As Clerk of the Court
By: /s/ Toni Kopp
As Deputy Clerk

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.

April 28; May 5, 2013

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION FILE NO. PC 13-143

IN RE: ESTATE OF DONNA MARIE JACKSON Division: Probate Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
The administration of the estate of Donna Marie Jackson, deceased, whose date of death was February 20, 2013, is pending in the Circuit Court for Highlands County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 590 S. Commerce Ave., Sebring, FL 33870. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

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

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

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

NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.
The date of first publication of this Notice is April 21, 2013.

Personal Representative:
/s/ Timothy Pickering
2017 Wightman Avenue
Sebring, Florida 33870
Attorney for Personal Representative:
/s/ Charlotte Stone
Charlotte C. Stone, Esq.
Attorney for Personal Representative
Florida Bar Number: 21297
STONE & WALDER, P.L.L.C.
3200 U.S. Hwy 27 S., Suite 304
Sebring, FL 33870
Telephone: (863)402-5424
Fax: (863)402-5425
E-Mail: Charlotte@stoneandwalder.com
April 21, 28, 2013

1050 Legals

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 10TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION: CASE NO.: 28-2009-CA-000552

CHASE HOME FINANCE, LLC Plaintiff,
vs.
DANIEL J. KNAUER A/K/A DANIEL JOSEPH KNAUER; MARY F. KNAUER A/K/A MARY KNAUER; MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INCORPORATED AS NOMINEE FOR SECURED FUNDING CORP.; SEBRING RIDGE PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.; UNKNOWN TENANT(S); IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY, Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
Notice is hereby given that pursuant to Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated the 18th day of April, 2013, and entered in Case No. 28-2009-CA-000552, of the Circuit Court of the 10th Judicial Circuit in and for Highlands County, Florida, wherein FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION is the Plaintiff and DANIEL J. KNAUER A/K/A DANIEL JOSEPH KNAUER; MARY F. KNAUER A/K/A MARY KNAUER; MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INCORPORATED AS NOMINEE FOR SECURED FUNDING CORP.; SEBRING RIDGE PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.; UNKNOWN TENANT(S) AND UNKNOWN TENANT(S) IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY are defendants. The Clerk of this Court shall 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 11th day of June, 2013, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

LOT 538, SEBRING RIDGE, SECTION A, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 7, PAGE 45, 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 19th day of April, 2013.

ROBERT W. GERMAINE
Clerk Of The Circuit Court
By: /s/ Toni Kopp
Deputy Clerk
April 28; May 5, 2013

IN THE CIRCUIT CIVIL COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY CIVIL DIVISION CASE NO.: 28-2012-CA-000310 Division

WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A. Plaintiff,
vs.
NICOLE WHITTEN, RICHARD WHITTEN, LEISURE LAKES HOME OWNERS CMVC ASSOCIATION, INC., AND UNKNOWN TENANTS/OWNERS, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE
Notice is hereby given, pursuant to Final Judgment of Foreclosure for Plaintiff entered in this cause on April 18, 2013, in the Circuit Court of HIGHLANDS County, Florida, I will sell the property situated in Highlands County, Florida described as:

LOT 5, BLOCK 152A, LEISURE LAKES SECTION THREE, ACCORDING TO THE MAP OR PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 6, PAGE 25, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA,
and commonly known as: 3228 GLEN SPRINGS AVE., LAKE PLACID, FL 33852; including the building, appurtenances, and fixtures located therein, 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 July 3, 2013 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 19th day of April, 2013.

Clerk of the Circuit Court
ROBERT W. GERMAINE
By: /s/ Toni Kopp
Deputy Clerk

1050 Legals

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION FILE NO. PC 13-134

IN RE: ESTATE OF ANTOINETTE BRESKE a.k.a. ANTOINETTE G. BRESKE Division PROBATE Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
The administration of the estate of ANTOINETTE BRESKE a.k.a. ANTOINETTE G. BRESKE, deceased, whose date of death was February 23, 2013, and whose social security number is xxx-xx-4822, is pending in the Circuit Court for Highlands County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 430 S. Commerce Avenue, Sebring, FL 33870. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

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

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

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

NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.

The date of first publication of this Notice is April 21, 2013.

Personal Representative:
/s/ Ronald Niewodak
50727 Russell Drive
McComb, Michigan 48044-1287

Attorney for Personal Representative:
/s/ David F. Lanier
E-Mail Address: lanier30@embarqmail.com
Florida Bar No. 045399

DAVID F. LANIER
P.O. Box 400
Avon Park, Florida 33826-0400
Telephone: (863)453-4457

April 21, 28, 2013

IN THE CIRCUIT CIVIL COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY CIVIL DIVISION CASE NO.: 28-2012-CA-000986 Division

CENLAR FSB Plaintiff,
vs.
MICHAEL P. ISAIA A/K/A MICHAEL ISAIA, AVON PARK LAKES ASSOCIATION, AND UNKNOWN TENANTS/OWNERS, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE
Notice is hereby given, pursuant to Final Judgment of Foreclosure for Plaintiff entered in this cause on April 17, 2013, in the Circuit Court of HIGHLANDS County, Florida, I will sell the property situated in Highlands County, Florida described as:

LOT 4684, LOT 4685, LOT 4686 AND LOT 4687, OF AVON PARK LAKES, UNIT 15, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 5, PAGE 8, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.

PARCEL IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: C013328-01000004684
and commonly known as: 2625 W KENT RD, AVON PARK, FL 33825; 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 July 17, 2013 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 18th day of April, 2013.

Clerk of the Circuit Court
ROBERT W. GERMAINE
By: /s/ Priscilla Michalak
Deputy Clerk
April 26; May 3, 2013

1050 Legals

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION Case No. PC 13-104

IN RE: ESTATE OF ALVERDA BOCHNIAK, Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
The administration of the estate of Alverda Bochniak, deceased, Case Number PC 13-104 is pending in the Tenth Judicial Circuit Court for Highlands County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 590 S. Commerce Ave., Sebring, FL 33870. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

ALL INTERESTED PERSONS ARE NOTIFIED THAT: All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is served within three months after the date of the first publication of this notice must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF THREE MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

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

ALL CLAIMS, DEMANDS AND OBJECTIONS NOT SO FILED WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

The date of the first publication of this Notice is April 28, 2013.

Personal Representative:
Carol Reddington
555 Sutton Pl.
Longboat Key, FL 34228

Attorney for Personal Representative:
Sherril L. Johnson
Florida Bar No. 0134775
Johnson Legal of Florida, P.L.L.C.
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April 28, 2013

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR A VARIANCE REQUEST HEARING NO. 1734

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a PUBLIC HEARING will be held before the HIGHLANDS COUNTY Board of Adjustment on the 14th day of May, 2013, beginning at 3:00 P.M., or as soon thereafter as possible, in the County Commissioners' Board Room, Highlands County Government Center Building, 600 South Commerce Ave., Sebring, Florida, to consider a variance to allow the height of an accessory structure (storage shed) to be 16" (inches) higher than the house, within the area described as follows: An approximate 0.49 acre parcel located on Sebring Lakes Boulevard on the west side of Grand Concourse in Sebring Lakes; the address being 4650 Sebring Lakes Blvd., Sebring, FL; and legally described as follows: Lots 109, 110, 111, and 112, Block 31, of Sebring Lakes, Unit 2C, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 7, Page 10 of the Public Records of Highlands County, Florida.

Any person or persons interested or affected by this change are invited to attend this hearing. You may submit comments in writing to the attention of Linda Conrad, Zoning Supervisor, P.O. Box 1926, Sebring, Florida 33871-1926, or you may call (863) 402-6638, for further information. Please reference the above hearing number when calling or writing.

ALL INTERESTED PERSONS ARE INVITED TO ATTEND. ALL INTERESTED PERSONS MAY APPEAR AND BE HEARD AT THE TIME AND PLACE SPECIFIED ABOVE. ANY PERSON WHO DECIDES TO APPEAL ANY DECISION MADE BY THIS COMMITTEE/GROUP, IN PUBLIC HEARING OR MEETING IS HEREBY ADVISED THAT HE OR SHE WILL NEED A RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS, AND THAT, FOR SUCH PURPOSE, HE OR SHE MAY NEED TO ENSURE THAT A VERBATIM RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS IS MADE, WHICH RECORD WILL INCLUDE THE TESTIMONY AND EVIDENCE UPON WHICH SUCH APPEAL IS TO BE BASED.

THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT AND THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA, DOES NOT DISCRIMINATE UPON THE BASIS OF ANY INDIVIDUAL'S DISABILITY STATUS. THIS NON-DISCRIMINATORY POLICY INVOLVES EVERY ASPECT OF THE BOARD'S FUNCTIONS, INCLUDING ONE'S ACCESS TO, PARTICIPATION, EMPLOYMENT OR TREATMENT IN ITS PROGRAMS OR ACTIVITIES. ANYONE REQUIRING REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION AS PROVIDED FOR IN THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT OR SECTION 286.26, FLORIDA STATUTES, SHOULD CONTACT MRS. MELISSA BRUNS, ADA COORDINATOR AT 863-402-6509 (VOICE), VIA FLORIDA RELAY SERVICE 711, OR BY E-MAIL: MBRUNS@HCCOCC.ORG. REQUEST FOR CART OR INTERPRETER SERVICES SHOULD BE MADE AT LEAST 24 HOURS IN ADVANCE TO PERMIT COORDINATION OF THE SERVICE. ONE OR MORE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MAY BE PRESENT AT THE MEETING. ONE OR MORE LAKE PLACID TOWN COUNCIL MEMBERS MAY BE PRESENT AT THE MEETING.

Rick Ingler, Chairman

April 28; May 3, 2013

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A t-storm in spots in the afternoon	A couple of showers and a t-storm	Couple of thunderstorms	A couple of showers and a t-storm	Periods of sun, t-storms possible
86° / 64°	86° / 66°	86° / 65°	86° / 65°	84° / 59°
Winds: ESE at 7-14 mph	Winds: SE at 6-12 mph	Winds: SE at 4-8 mph	Winds: E at 4-8 mph	Winds: SSE at 3-6 mph



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Temperature
Readings at Anchoast Biological Station in Lake Placid

High Tuesday 86°
Low Tuesday 53°
High Wednesday 87°
Low Wednesday 54°
High Thursday 88°
Low Thursday 52°

Heat Index
For 3 p.m. today

Relative humidity 43%
Expected air temperature 84°
Makes it feel like 84°

Barometer

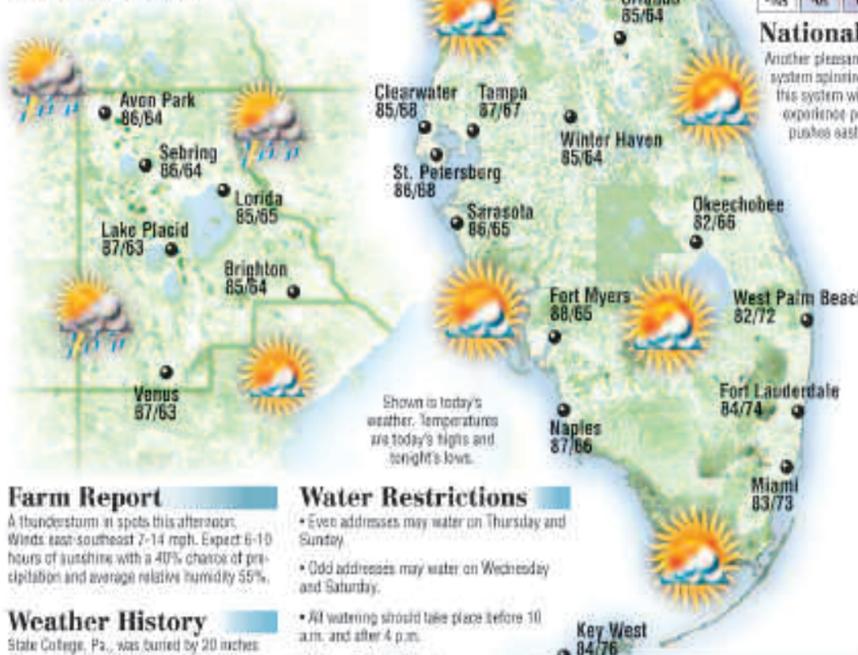
Tuesday 30.09
Wednesday 30.13
Thursday 30.16

Precipitation

Tuesday 0.00"
Wednesday 0.00"
Thursday 0.00"
Month to date 5.11"
Year to date 8.02"

Regional Summary

Times of clouds and sunshine today with a shower or thunderstorm in spots in the afternoon. Partly cloudy tonight. Variable clouds tomorrow and Tuesday with a couple of showers and a thunderstorm.



Farm Report

A thunderstorm in spots this afternoon. Winds east-southeast 7-14 mph. Expect 6-10 hours of sunshine with a 40% chance of precipitation and average relative humidity 55%.

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

State College, Pa., was buried by 20 inches of snow on April 28, 1928. The train from Pittsburgh to Philadelphia was blocked for two days.

Sun and Moon

	Today	Monday
Sunrise	8:51 a.m.	8:50 a.m.
Sunset	7:56 p.m.	7:57 p.m.
Moonrise	11:17 p.m.	none
Moonset	9:19 a.m.	10:21 a.m.



National Forecast for April 28



National Summary

Another pleasant day will be in store for the Northeast today as high pressure remains in place. However, a storm system splintering across the Ohio Valley will deliver afternoon showers to Pennsylvania. A cold front associated with this system will spark up showers and thunderstorms from Ohio down through Tennessee. Closer to the coast will experience periods of rain and breezy conditions. Thunderstorms will also roll through the Southeast as the front pushes eastward.

U.S. Cities

City	Today	Mon.	Tue.	City	Today	Mon.	Tue.
Albuquerque	70/51h	82/51pc	86/55h	Los Angeles	70/57pc	75/57pc	74/56pc
Atlanta	69/50h	74/50h	77/52h	Louisville	70/50h	74/50pc	82/58h
Baltimore	70/52pc	82/50pc	84/54h	Memphis	72/54pc	79/50h	84/53h
Birmingham	74/56h	77/55h	82/61pc	Milwaukee	82/47pc	86/52pc	73/52pc
Boston	67/47h	69/48pc	69/48pc	Minneapolis	77/51pc	70/50pc	72/48h
Charlotte	63/53h	71/53h	73/57h	Nashville	72/58h	75/54pc	82/57h
Cheyenne	72/43h	72/41h	59/25h	New Orleans	72/62h	80/63h	82/64h
Chicago	66/49h	74/54pc	80/58pc	New York City	72/54pc	62/50h	61/50h
Cleveland	82/53h	86/53pc	74/58pc	Norfolk	68/56h	67/60h	88/57h
Columbus	80/57h	71/56pc	79/52pc	Oklahoma City	81/57pc	83/60h	84/58h
Dallas	84/58pc	80/53pc	86/67h	Philadelphia	71/54pc	62/53h	64/52h
Denver	76/40h	78/50h	71/33h	Phoenix	83/71h	100/72h	100/71h
Detroit	64/52h	70/53pc	78/58h	Pittsburgh	61/50h	69/52pc	73/54pc
Harlemburg	69/51pc	63/53h	63/52h	Portland, ME	62/49h	65/43pc	63/37h
Honolulu	87/89pc	86/89pc	87/70pc	Portland, OR	66/51h	69/38h	84/41pc
Houston	82/63h	85/63h	82/66h	Raleigh	69/51h	69/58h	73/56h
Indianapolis	66/53h	74/55pc	78/57h	Rochester	74/51pc	67/51h	70/51h
Jackson, MS	74/56h	80/56h	82/59pc	St. Louis	69/53pc	80/51pc	84/59h
Kansas City	75/56pc	80/51pc	81/53pc	San Francisco	68/50pc	70/50pc	73/52pc
Longpton	69/54h	72/54pc	79/54h	Seattle	58/45h	55/38h	62/44pc
Little Rock	75/52pc	82/57h	85/57h	West, DC	71/55pc	62/57h	64/59h

World Cities

City	Today	Mon.	Tue.	City	Today	Mon.	Tue.
Asapuka	90/88pc	88/77pc	88/87pc	London	55/45h	53/38pc	59/37pc
Athens	79/58h	85/62h	86/64h	Montreal	71/51pc	72/52pc	73/49pc
Beirut	85/68h	86/68h	86/71h	Moscow	57/77h	50/40h	62/66h
Berlin	50/45pc	62/43pc	62/43pc	Nice	66/58h	75/61h	73/61h
Bernada	88/62h	89/63h	70/64h	Ottawa	72/47pc	84/48pc	72/46pc
Calgary	57/26h	49/23h	41/22pc	Quebec	61/45pc	69/46pc	65/47pc
Dublin	52/26c	52/25h	52/28pc	Rio de Janeiro	80/69h	83/69pc	84/70h
Edmonton	51/21c	42/20h	39/23pc	Seoul	75/57h	89/45h	83/43h
Frederic	80/66h	80/73h	80/74h	Singapore	80/78h	80/79h	80/79h
Gonwa	54/43c	57/48h	58/49h	Sydney	82/59h	79/61pc	77/59pc
Havana	88/80h	80/80pc	82/80h	Toronto	67/40pc	85/40h	70/49h
Hong Kong	82/75pc	82/75pc	82/75h	Vancouver	59/45h	54/38h	65/39pc
Jerusalem	86/64h	86/65h	86/65h	Vienna	72/51pc	76/55h	73/56h
Johnsburg	71/51h	72/43h	69/43pc	Warsaw	53/50h	67/40h	68/45h
Kiev	79/58h	86/54c	80/61pc	Winnipeg	62/33pc	56/27h	49/27h

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Dragons take district title

By DAN HOEHNE

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BABSON PARK – It was seven years in the making, with karma perhaps playing a role as Lake Placid claimed the District 10-4A Tournament Title with Thursday's crushing, 11-0 defeat of DeSoto.

It was, after all, on the Webber International University baseball field, perched along the shores of Crooked Lake, that head coach Dan Coomes Dragons had last won a district championship, back in 2006.

"When they said they were moving the games here, it felt pretty good," Coomes said afterward. "It was a nice feeling knowing that last time we played here, we had won."

The progress of the season matchups between the two squads also gave an indication that this latest contest would be a good one.

In the season's early days, the Bulldogs had handled Lake Placid 7-2, but the Dragons greatly closed the gap in their most recent contest, falling just short in a 4-3 loss.

And with Heath Harris and Donovan Day locking horns on the mound, it seemed a low-scoring contest would be in order, which the first inning indicated.

Lake Placid went down in order in the top of the opening frame, and save for an infield single for DeSoto, their half of the inning went by quietly.

But in the second, the Dragons went on the attack.

Laine Daum lead it off with a solid single to center before Tyler Carr was hit by a pitch.

Jacob Cram followed with an RBI single to center, moving Carr to third, and Rufino Gutierrez brought car in with a sharp single to right.

With runners on first and



Above: The 2013 District 10-4A Tournament Champion Lake Placid Green Dragons show off their trophy after demolishing DeSoto Thursday night. Below: Heath Harris was dominant on the mound Thursday, needing just 61 pitches over six innings to record a two-hit shutout.

News-Sun photos by DAN HOEHNE

second, Harris put down a bunt to move them both into scoring position.

The bunt trickled out to the right of home plate, and a hustling Harris caused a rushed throw to first, which got away, allowing Cram to come in and put runners on second and third with still nobody out.

Day did retire the next batter for that first out, but Ricky Miller followed with a single to score a run.

One out later, Morgan Lott was hit by a pitch to load the bases and Daum came through with a single up the middle to bring home two.

A battered Day finally ended the inning, but the Bulldogs were suddenly looking up at a 6-0 deficit, and Day's day was done.

Harris, meanwhile was just settling into what would be a masterful performance.

Oh, he did hit a batter after striking out the lead-off hitter in the bottom of the second.

But DeSoto helped him out a bit when the next batter struck out as well.

The bounced curve ball that induced the swinging third strike got away, but both the Bulldog batter and runner, perhaps caught up in the tension of having this big

lead to overcome in the biggest game of the season, took off running.

In the moment they forgot the rule that, with first base occupied and less than two out, a dropped third strike is merely a strikeout, with the batter not being able to advance.

The runner can, though by now a moment of confusion set in and the Bulldog runner found himself in no-man's land and was soon tagged out to end the inning on a bizarre dropped third strike double play.

Both teams were held

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Devils give Streaks the blues

By LAUREN WELBORN

New-Sun correspondent

LAKE GIBSON – The moon shone brightly over center field in Lake Gibson Thursday night during the last few innings of the District 9-6A championship game where Sebring took on Winter Haven.

Unfortunately, as Creedence Clearwater Revival would have put it, there was a "Bad Moon Rising" for the Streaks as they were unable to come back from a 12-1 deficit, thus granting the Blue Devils the tournament title.

If Sebring were going to pick a game to have a few hiccups, this would be the one to do it.

After Tuesday night's win against Kathleen, the Blue Streaks automatically clinched a spot in the Regional quarterfinals no matter the outcome of the championship.

The Streaks were able to put some early pressure on Winter Haven as Wyatt Johnson and Cullen Lovett found their way to third and second base in the top of the first, yet no runs would be scored as the third out was made.

In the next innings, Winter Haven kept the bats alive and managed to bring the threat of a 10-run mercy rule.

Sebring proved to still have a little fight left in them



News-Sun photo by LAUREN WELBORN
 Landon Willey gets back in ahead of this pick-off attempt, but Winter Haven held the Streaks down to win the District 9-6A Tournament title Thursday.

as they managed to load the bases in the top of the third, but they were unable to capitalize on the opportunity.

In the top of the fourth, Ty Little started the inning with a stand-up double and was later brought home by a sacrifice fly from Brad Doty.

Even with the lifted spirit of the Streaks, this was the final run scored, offering one run to Winter Haven's 12 for the night.

"I have got to give Winter Haven credit, they are a good team and they swung the bats tonight," said Sebring head coach Buck Rapp. "Seemed like everything we threw up there, ball or strike, they hit it somewhere."

Fighting the powerhouse Blue Devil offense were

pitchers CJ Payne and Matthew Portis.

"We didn't play excellent defense behind our pitchers but we still have a chance to play next Wednesday," added Rapp.

"That is where you have got to put it behind you. I'm still proud of the guys, they fought.

"We were a little bit short-handed going into it with injuries, but each guy stepped up in their own way and hopefully we can do that again next Wednesday and scratch out a win."

Sebring will now take the weekend to clear their minds before coming back Monday to prepare for the journey to New Port Richey where they will take on Mitchell.

Dolphins take CBs in 2nd, 3rd round of NFL draft

Associated Press

DAVIE — Eager to force more turnovers, the Miami Dolphins drafted two cornerbacks Friday with a knack for interceptions.

Miami added Jamar Taylor of Boise State in the second round, then traded up to select Will Davis of Utah State in the third round.

Taylor made four interceptions last year and Davis had five, while the Dolphins totaled only 10 to tie for fourth-worst in the NFL.

"Both Will and Jamar have very good ball skills," general manager Jeff Ireland said. "Taylor is very physical. He can go up and get it, or he can knock it out. Will is very good at getting the ball out too. I think they're both going to be playmakers."

A dearth of takeaways contributed to the Dolphins' 7-9 record, and they've devoted three of their four picks so far to changing that.

Pass rusher Dion Jordan of Oregon was their first-round choice Thursday.

On the second day of the draft, Miami also added guard-tackle Dallas Thomas of Tennessee and dealt away receiver Davone



MCT photo
 The Dolphins were defensive minded in the early going of the 2013 Draft, selecting Dion Jordan, defensive end from Oregon, in the first round and taking cornerbacks in both the second and third rounds.

Bess.

The Dolphins made three trades involving draft picks and now have five in the final four rounds Saturday.

Bess is under contract for \$3.4 million this year, and became expendable when the Dolphins acquired free agent receivers Mike Wallace and Brandon Gibson.

"We did some things in the offseason that made us feel better about the position," Ireland said. "We feel very good about the group we have."

While tackle was considered the Dolphins' most

pressing need, their early focus was on defense.

Taylor, the 54th overall selection, was a three-year starter at Boise State, and his 40-yard dash time of 4.39 was among the fastest at the NFL Scouting Combine.

As the third round wound down, Ireland decided one rookie cornerback wasn't enough.

He traded with Green Bay to acquire the 93rd overall pick and took Davis, a two-year starter at Utah State.

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THE SCOREBOARD

NBA Playoffs

FIRST ROUND
(x-if necessary)
(Best-of-7)

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Miami 3, Milwaukee 0

Miami 110, Milwaukee 87
Tuesday: Miami 98, Milwaukee 86
Thursday: Miami 104, Milwaukee 91
Sunday: Miami at Milwaukee, 3:30 p.m.
x-Tuesday, April 30: Milwaukee at Miami, TBA
x-Thursday, May 2: Miami at Milwaukee, TBA
x-Saturday, May 4: Milwaukee at Miami, TBA

New York 3, Boston 0

New York 85, Boston 78
Tuesday: New York 87, Boston 71
Friday: New York 90, Boston 76
Sunday: New York at Boston, 1 p.m.
x-Wednesday, May 1: Boston at New York, TBA
x-Friday, May 3: New York at Boston, TBA
x-Sunday, May 5: Boston at New York, TBA

Indiana 2, Atlanta 0

Indiana 107, Atlanta 90
Wednesday: Indiana 113, Atlanta 98
Saturday: Indiana at Atlanta, late
Monday: Indiana at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.
x-Wednesday, May 1: Atlanta at Indiana, TBA
x-Friday, May 3: Indiana at Atlanta, TBA
x-Sunday, May 5: Atlanta at Indiana, TBA

Chicago 2, Brooklyn 1

Brooklyn 106, Chicago 89
Monday: Chicago 90, Brooklyn 82
Thursday: Chicago 79, Brooklyn 76
Saturday: Brooklyn at Chicago, late
Monday: Chicago at Brooklyn, TBA
x-Thursday, May 2: Brooklyn at Chicago, TBA
x-Saturday, May 4: Chicago at Brooklyn, TBA

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Oklahoma City 2, Houston 0

Oklahoma City 120, Houston 91
Wednesday: Oklahoma City 105, Houston 102
Saturday: Oklahoma City at Houston, late
Monday: Oklahoma City at Houston, 9:30 p.m.
x-Wednesday, May 1: Houston at Oklahoma City, TBA
x-Friday, May 3: Oklahoma City at Houston, TBA
x-Sunday, May 5: Houston at Oklahoma City, TBA

San Antonio 3, L.A. Lakers 0

San Antonio 91, L.A. Lakers 79
Wednesday: San Antonio 102, L.A. Lakers 91
Friday: San Antonio 120, L.A. Lakers 89
Sunday: San Antonio at L.A. Lakers, 7 p.m.
x-Tuesday, April 30: L.A. Lakers at San Antonio, TBA
x-Thursday, May 2: San Antonio at L.A. Lakers, TBA
x-Saturday, May 4: L.A. Lakers at San Antonio, TBA

Golden State 2, Denver 1

Denver 97, Golden State 95
Tuesday: Golden State 131, Denver 117
Friday: Golden State 110, Denver 108
Sunday: Denver at Golden State, 9:30 p.m.
Tuesday, April 30: Golden State at Denver, TBA
x-Thursday, May 2: Denver at Golden State, TBA
x-Saturday, May 4: Golden State at Denver, TBA

L.A. Clippers 2, Memphis 1

L.A. Clippers 112, Memphis 91
Monday: L.A. Clippers 93, Memphis 91
Thursday: Memphis 94, L.A. Clippers 82
Saturday: L.A. Clippers at Memphis, late
x-Tuesday, April 30: Memphis at L.A. Clippers, TBA
x-Friday, May 3: L.A. Clippers at Memphis, TBA
x-Sunday, May 5: Memphis at L.A. Clippers, TBA

NHL

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
x-Pittsburgh	35	12	0	70	157	116
x-N.Y. Islanders	24	17	7	55	139	139
x-N.Y. Rangers	25	18	4	54	126	112
New Jersey	19	18	10	48	112	125
Philadelphia	22	22	3	47	131	140

Northeast Division

	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
x-Boston	28	13	5	61	127	102
x-Montreal	28	14	5	61	145	125
x-Toronto	26	16	5	57	144	129
x-Ottawa	24	16	6	54	111	100
Buffalo	21	21	6	48	125	143

Southeast Division

	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
y-Washington	26	18	3	55	146	128
Winnipeg	24	21	3	51	128	144
Carolina	19	24	4	42	125	152
Tampa Bay	18	25	4	40	145	145
Florida	14	27	6	34	107	168

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division

	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
z-Chicago	36	6	5	77	154	99
x-St. Louis	28	17	2	58	126	114
Detroit	23	16	8	54	121	115
Columbus	23	17	7	53	117	118
Nashville	16	22	9	41	110	136

Northwest Division

	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
y-Vancouver	26	14	7	59	125	114
Minnesota	25	19	3	53	119	126
Edmonton	18	22	7	43	118	132
Calgary	19	25	4	42	128	160
Colorado	16	24	7	39	115	149

Pacific Division

	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
y-Anaheim	30	11	6	66	137	113
x-Los Angeles	26	16	5	57	130	116
x-San Jose	25	15	7	57	122	113
Phoenix	20	18	9	49	120	128
Dallas	22	21	4	48	130	139

NOTE: Two points for a win, one point for overtime loss.
x-clinched playoff spot
y-clinched division
z-clinched conference

Thursday's Games

Philadelphia 2, N.Y. Islanders 1
Ottawa 2, Washington 1, OT
N.Y. Rangers 4, Carolina 3, OT
New Jersey 3, Pittsburgh 2
Toronto 4, Florida 2
Detroit 5, Nashville 2
Boston 2, Tampa Bay 0



LIVE SPORTS ON TV

AUTO RACING

SUNDAY

1 p.m. NHRA – Sportsman Series ESPN2
2 p.m. NHRA – O'Reilly SpringNationals ESPN2

COLLEGE BASEBALL

SUNDAY

3 p.m. South Carolina at LSU ESPN

GOLF

SUNDAY

9 a.m. EuroPGA – Ballentine's Championship GOLF
1 p.m. PGA – Legends of Golf CBS
1 p.m. PGA – Zurich Classic of New Orleans GOLF
3 p.m. PGA – Zurich Classic of New Orleans CBS
3 p.m. LPGA – North Texas Shootout GOLF

MLB

SUNDAY

1 p.m. Toronto at N.Y. Yankees TBS
2 p.m. Tampa Bay at Chicago White Sox SUN/WGN
8 p.m. Atlanta at Detroit ESPN
7 p.m. Washington at Atlanta ESPN
8 p.m. Tampa Bay at Kansas City SUN

NBA PLAYOFFS

SUNDAY

1 p.m. New York at Boston ABC
3:30 p.m. Miami at Milwaukee ABC
7 p.m. San Antonio at L.A. Lakers TNT
9:30 p.m. Denver at Golden State TNT
7 p.m. Chicago at Brooklyn TNT
9:30 p.m. Oklahoma City at Houston TNT
7 p.m. Milwaukee at Miami, if necessary TNT
9:30 p.m. Golden State at Denver TNT

MEXICAN PREMIER LEAGUE SOCCER

SUNDAY

5 p.m. Puebla FC vs. Club Atlas ESPN2

Times, games, channels all subject to change

Montreal 4, Winnipeg 2
St. Louis 4, Calgary 1
Columbus 3, Dallas 1
Anaheim 3, Vancouver 1
Friday's Games
Buffalo 2, N.Y. Islanders 1, SO
Colorado 5, Phoenix 4, SO
Edmonton 6, Minnesota 1
Chicago 3, Calgary 1
Saturday's Games
New Jersey at N.Y. Rangers, late
Detroit at Dallas, late
Nashville at Columbus, late
Florida at Tampa Bay, late
Boston at Washington, late
Philadelphia at Ottawa, late
Montreal at Toronto, late
Minnesota at Colorado, late
Carolina at Pittsburgh, late
Chicago at St. Louis, late
Phoenix at Anaheim, late
Vancouver at Edmonton, late
San Jose at Los Angeles, late
Sunday's Games
Ottawa at Boston, 7 p.m.

MLB

AMERICAN LEAGUE

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	16	7	.696	—
Baltimore	14	9	.609	2
New York	13	9	.591	2.5
Tampa Bay	10	13	.435	6
Toronto	9	15	.375	7.5

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Kansas City	11	8	.579	—
Detroit	11	10	.524	1
Minnesota	9	10	.474	2
Chicago	10	12	.455	2.5
Cleveland	8	11	.421	3

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Texas	16	7	.696	—
Oakland	13	11	.542	3.5
Los Angeles	9	13	.409	6.5
Seattle	9	16	.360	8
Houston	7	16	.304	9

Thursday's Games

Kansas City 8, Detroit 3, 10 innings
Boston 7, Houston 2
N.Y. Yankees 5, Toronto 3
Chicago White Sox 5, Tampa Bay 2
Texas 2, Minnesota 1
Baltimore 10, Oakland 2
Seattle 6, L.A. Angels 0

Friday's Games

Detroit 10, Atlanta 0
N.Y. Yankees 6, Toronto 4
Boston 7, Houston 3
Chicago White Sox 5, Tampa Bay 4
Texas 4, Minnesota 3
Cleveland at Kansas City, ppd., rain
Baltimore 3, Oakland 0
L.A. Angels 6, Seattle 3

Saturday's Games

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

Sunday's Games

Toronto (Dickey 2-3) at N.Y. Yankees (P.Hughes 0-2), 1:05 p.m.
Houston (B.Norris 3-2) at Boston (Lackey 0-1), 1:35 p.m.
Cleveland (Masterson 4-1) at Kansas City (Guthrie 2-0), 2:10 p.m., 1st game
Tampa Bay (Price 0-2) at Chicago White Sox (Axelrod 0-1), 2:10 p.m.

Texas (Ogando 2-1) at Minnesota (Correia 2-1), 2:10 p.m.
Baltimore (Mig.Gonzalez 2-1) at Oakland (Colon 3-0), 4:05 p.m.
L.A. Angels (Vargas 0-2) at Seattle (Iwakuma 2-1), 4:10 p.m.
Atlanta (Minor 3-1) at Detroit (Fister 3-0), 8:05 p.m.
Cleveland (Undecided) at Kansas City (Undecided), 8:10 p.m., 2nd game

NATIONAL LEAGUE

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlanta	15	7	.682	—
Washington	12	11	.522	3.5
New York	10	11	.476	4.5
Philadelphia	10	14	.417	6
Miami	5	18	.217	10.5

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
St. Louis	14	8	.636	—
Pittsburgh	13	10	.565	1.5
Cincinnati	13	11	.542	2
Milwaukee	11	10	.524	2.5
Chicago	8	14	.364	6

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Colorado	15	8	.652	—
Arizona	13	10	.565	2
San Francisco	13	10	.565	2
Los Angeles	11	11	.500	3.5
San Diego	7	15	.318	7.5

Thursday's Games

Pittsburgh 6, Philadelphia 4
L.A. Dodgers 3, N.Y. Mets 2
Washington 8, Cincinnati 1
Chicago Cubs 4, Miami 3
Arizona 3, Colorado 2

Friday's Games

Detroit 10, Atlanta 0
Washington 1, Cincinnati 0
Chicago Cubs 4, Miami 2
Philadelphia 4, N.Y. Mets 0
St. Louis 9, Pittsburgh 1
Colorado 6, Arizona 3
L.A. Dodgers 7, Milwaukee 5
San Diego 2, San Francisco 1

Saturday's Games

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

Sunday's Games

Chicago Cubs (Villanueva 1-0) at Miami (Nolasco 1-2), 1:10 p.m.
Philadelphia (Hamels 0-3) at N.Y. Mets (Niese 2-1), 1:10 p.m.
Cincinnati (Cingrani 1-0) at Washington (Detwiler 1-1), 1:35 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Locke 2-1) at St. Louis (S.Miller 3-1), 2:15 p.m.
Colorado (Garland 2-1) at Arizona (Corbin 2-0), 4:10 p.m.
Milwaukee (Lohse 1-1) at L.A. Dodgers (Kershaw 2-2), 4:10 p.m.
San Francisco (Vogelsong 1-1) at San Diego (Marquis 1-2), 4:10 p.m.
Atlanta (Minor 3-1) at Detroit (Fister 3-0), 8:05 p.m.

Transactions

BASEBALL

COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE—Suspended Tampa Bay RHP Jose Disla 50 games for violation of the Minor League Drug Prevention and Treatment Program.
National League
ATLANTA BRAVES—Sent C Brian McCann to Rome (SAL) for a rehab assignment.

LOCAL SCHEDULE



Lake Placid

WEDNESDAY: Baseball hosts Class 4A Regional Quarterfinal, vs. Tampa Catholic, 7 p.m.



Sebring

WEDNESDAY: Baseball at Class 6A Regional Quarterfinal, at Mitchell, 7 p.m.
FRIDAY: Track at FHSAA 3A State Finals, Jacksonville, 1 p.m.



SFSC

FRIDAY: Softball at FCCAA State Tournament, Pensacola, vs. Gulf Coast State, Noon

SPORTS SNAPSHOTS

Sebring Elks Golf Tourney

SEBRING – The Sebring Elks Lodge No. 1529 monthly golf outing will be held at Golf Hammock Golf and Country Club on Monday, May 6, beginning at 8 a.m. Cost is \$27, which includes golf, cart, lunch and prize fund. To sign up, contact Jack McLaughlin at jacknjudy33872@gmail.com or leave a message on 863 471-3295. Check in not later than 7:40 a.m. by the Pro Shop.

Blue Streak Golf

SEBRING – The 30th Annual Blue Streak Golf Classic will tee off Saturday, May 18, on both the North and South courses of Highlands Ridge. The four-person scramble format has an 8:30 a.m. shotgun start, and the \$65 entry fee includes one mulligan, lunch, beverages, prizes, cart, greens fees, range balls and a lot of fun. Each team members tee shot must be used at least twice, ladies shoot from the ladies tees, all ties are determined by a match of cards and professionals are not eligible for Hole In One prizes. Among those prizes are a \$10,000 Hole in One prize, a chance to win a 50-foot putt for \$5,000, \$25-\$100 gift certificates in the Closest to the Pin contest, and additional prizes on all par 3s.

Other door prizes include a 50-inch widescreen TV and BBQ grill. Sebring Firemen Inc. are the major sponsor, so come out, join in the fun and support Sebring High School Athletics.

Panther Softball Camp

AVON PARK – The 2013 SFSC Panther Softball Camp will take place Tuesday and Wednesday, May 28-29, from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. each day for players aged 6-18. Cost of the camp is \$45, with registration and check-in at 8 a.m. Pre-registration is not necessary and walk-ups are accepted. The SFSC Panther Camps are designed to provide quality softball instruction, with emphasis on fundamentals and improvement in all areas of the game. Each day, campers will have the opportunity to improve their skills and softball knowledge with the help of Panther head coach Carlos Falla, assistant coach Heather Barnes and members of the Lady Panther softball team.

To register, go to www.southflorida.edu/athletics/softball and print out the Admissions Application form. Mail the form as indicated, or bring it to the camp. For further information, call Coach Falla at the following campus phone numbers at extension 7038 – Avon Park/Sebring, (863) 784-7038; Lake Placid, (863) 465-5300; DeSoto, (863) 494-7500; Hardee, (863) 773-2252. Coach Falla can also be reached via email at fallac@southflorida.edu.

YMCA Flag Football

SEBRING – The Highlands County Family YMCA is now taking registrations for our YMCA/Eagles Youth Flag Football Program for ages 5-14. We are also taking registrations for our Cheerleading Program ages 5-16. Any questions please call 382-9622.

Miracle League 5K

LAKE PLACID – Heartland National Bank presents The Miracle League for Highlands County 2013 5K-10K Run Walk Team Challenge Saturday, May 18, at DeVane Circle Park in Lake Placid. Entry fees - Early student \$15; early team member \$20; early individual \$25; day of race \$30 (day of race, registration closes promptly at 7 a.m.) Race starts at 7:30 a.m. sharp. First 150 registered entrants guaranteed a Dri-fit T-shirt. Send entry name, gender, race you're doing, team name, address, phone number, age, shirt size and e-mail. Any lack of information will not be acceptable. Make check out to Greater Lake Placid Chamber of Commerce, 18 North Oak Avenue, Lake Placid, FL 33852. Awards for each race - 5K and 10K. Team awards will be presented for Most Creative Team and Team with Most Finishes. Proceeds from this new event will directly benefit the Miracle League for Highlands County as \$200 plus \$3 of each paid entry (more than 150) will be donated to this wonderful organization. Sponsored by Cohan Radio Group; CORA Rehabilitation and Sports Medicine; Delray Plants (sponsors of Miracle League shirts); Eastside Christian Church; Howard fertilizer and chemical; The Journal; Lake Placid Health Care Center; Wheeler Farms Inc.; Winn Dixie; and Party Dog Entertainment. For more information, contact Niki Gregor, event chair at 386-1300 or nregor@heartlandnb.com.

SEBRING — Sebring Sunrise Rotary 24th annual Charity Golf Tournament will be Saturday, June 1, with an 8 a.m. shotgun start on the Deer Run course at Sun 'N Lake Golf and Country Club. Format is a Four-person Scramble (double Bogey maximum). Cost is \$220 per team and includes greens fees, cart, range balls, lunch and on-course beverages along with some fabulous raffle prizes. Sponsorships available: \$100 Hole sponsor; \$155 Hole sponsor including single entry; and \$320 Hole sponsor including team entry. Hole-In-One sponsors are being provided by Cohan Radio Group (\$2,000 cash) and Alan Jay Automotive Network. Trophy sponsor is the Florida Hospital Heartland Medical Center. Make checks payable to Sebring Sunrise Rotary, P.O. Box 1363, Sebring, FL 33871. Please enter by Tuesday, May 28.

Home run for Habitat 5K

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Bucs select CB Johnthan Banks in second round

By FRED GOODALL
Associated Press

TAMPA — If Josh Freeman isn't Tampa Bay's long-term solution at quarterback, the Buccaneers are hoping they've found an alternative.

The team selected North Carolina State's Mike Glennon in the third round of the NFL draft Friday night, saying he was too good a fit for their offense to ignore even though Freeman became the franchise's first 4,000-yard passer while also setting a club record by throwing for 27 touchdowns last season.

General manager Mark Dominik and coach Greg Schiano reiterated Freeman is the starter, while also noting Glennon was highly productive in college has the size — 6-foot-6, 220 pounds — and arm strength they like in a quarterback.

"If something happens to Josh Freeman, we want to be able to keep the season rolling," Dominik said.

With Freeman entering the final year of the contract he signed as the 17th pick of the 2009 draft, the Bucs eventually will have to make a decision on whether to give him a new deal.

The 25-year-old led the team to 10 wins and narrowly missed the playoffs in his second full season as a starter in 2010, however his career has been marked by inconsistency.

Schiano has said he'd like to increase competition at every position on the team, including quarterback.

Veteran Dan Orlovsky currently in Freeman's backup, and the hope is Glennon will be able to learn the system and develop without having the pressure that comes with being a high draft pick expected to come in and start right away.

Glennon, who played behind Russell Wilson for three years at North Carolina State, completed over 58 percent of his passes for 4,031 yards, 31 touchdowns and 17 interceptions for the Wolfpack as a senior.

He was the third quarterback selected in the draft behind first-rounder E.J. Manuel and second-rounder Geno Smith.

"It comes as somewhat of a surprise, but I'm excited to go down there and play football," Glennon said,

adding he hadn't had much contact with Tampa Bay since the NFL combine.

Schiano recruited Glennon coming out of high school when the coach was at Rutgers and the quarterback was the state of Virginia's player of the year, so they've been familiar with each other for years.

Wilson, who transferred to Wisconsin, led the Seattle Seahawks to the playoffs as a rookie in 2012.

Glennon plans to speak with him about what Wilson did to make a successful transition to the NFL.

"I think there's a lot of talent in this class," Glennon said of this year's crop of quarterback prospects, which was not highly rated by draft experts. "Hopefully, 10 years from now, we'll look back and say this class was a little under-rated."

The selection of Glennon with the 73rd overall pick came after the Bucs used their second-round pick to seek more help on defense.

When Johnthan Banks learned Tampa Bay had acquired the top cornerback in football in the days leading up to the draft, he figured there was no way he'd wind up being selected by the Bucs.

Much to the former Mississippi State star's delight, he's going to get a chance to learn from Darrell Revis as part of the Bucs' effort to rebuild the worst pass defense in the league.

"It's a dream come true," 2012 Jim Thorpe Award winner said by telephone after becoming the 11th pick of the second round, No. 43 overall. "I can't wait to get there."

The Bucs did not have a pick in Thursday's opening round after trading the 13th overall pick to the New York Jets in exchange for Revis, a three-time All-Pro who's the centerpiece of what Dominik and Schiano are doing to shore up a secondary that came within 38 yards of setting a NFL record for passing yards allowed last season.

In addition to obtaining Revis and drafting Banks, who had 16 career interceptions in college, the Bucs added All-Pro safety Dashon Goldson to their defensive backfield through free agency in March.

"We've improved our

size, physicality and ball skills," Dominik said of the collective moves this off-season.

The 6-foot-2, 185-pound Banks was a captain at Mississippi State, where he tied the school record for interceptions and routinely was assigned to cover opponents' No. 1 receiver.

"He was the guy who made their defense go, period," Schiano said. "He's a strong, rangy guy. ... We're happy to have him."

Despite not having a first-round pick for the first time in 10 years, Dominik entered Friday night feeling the Bucs had done more to help the team by acquiring Revis than they could ever have hoped to by holding onto the 13th pick of the first round and using it to upgrade a defense that contributed to a late-season collapse in 2012.

The Bucs lost five of six down the stretch to finish 7-9.

Revis is a proven star who's generally regarded as the game's best player at his position.

The Bucs signed him to a new six-year, \$96 million contract and are counting on the seventh-year pro to be a mentor for Banks, who despite winning the Thorpe Award as the nation's top defensive back wasn't the first player from his college secondary selected in the draft.

Mississippi State cornerback Darius Slay was taken earlier in the second round, No. 36 overall, by the Detroit Lions.

But Banks wasn't complaining.

Tampa Bay had been one of his preferred destinations since spending time with members of coaching staff and scouting departments at the Senior Bowl in January.

"It's a blessing I got drafted. There are a lot of kids still sitting home waiting and hoping to be picked," the 23-year-old native of Maben, Miss., said.

"God works in mysterious ways. ... Revis is the best and I get a chance to play next to him. I'm going to try to learn everything I can from him," Banks added. "I play with passion. I give it everything I've got. ... That's what I'm coming there to do."

Miami moved up nine spots to No. 3 overall to draft Jordan, trading the 42nd overall pick to the Raiders.

Oakland coincidentally used that pick on a tackle — Florida State's Menelik Watson.

If the Dolphins had kept the No. 12 overall pick, a team official said, they would have taken Notre Dame tight end Tyler Eifert.

As part of the Bess trade, Miami and Cleveland swapped picks.

The Dolphins acquired the Browns' fourth-round choice (104th overall) and fifth-round choice (164th overall) and gave up their fourth-round choice (111th overall) and seventh-round choice (217th).

Te'o time in San Diego; Geno Smith goes to Jets

By BARRY WILNER
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Manti Te'o and Geno Smith provided the sizzle previously missing from the NFL draft.

Te'o is headed to San Diego, Smith is a Jet, and Radio City Music Hall shook with the kind of noise usually heard in stadiums when they were selected.

The theater rocked with two picks within minutes of each other Friday night.

Te'o, the Notre Dame All-America linebacker, was chosen sixth in the second round by the Chargers, drawing a loud roar from the fans.

One spot later, the Jets took the West Virginia quarterback, drawing a raucous reaction of cheers and boos.

The big names had taken over from the bulk and beef of opening night, when 18 linemen went in the first round.

Te'o, who led the Fighting Irish to the national championship game, was projected as a first-rounder last year.

But his poor performance in a rout at the hands of Alabama, some slow 40-yard dash times, and a tabloid-ready hoax involving a fake girlfriend that became a national soap opera dropped his stock.

"I did expect to go in the first round," Te'o said. "But things happened and all it did was give me more motivation."

When former Chargers defensive back Jim Hill was handed the card to make the announcement by Commissioner Roger Goodell, he was told, "You're going to get a big cheer when you announce this pick."

It was more a mix of surprise and recognition of the most talked-about player in the draft finally finding a landing spot at No. 38 overall.

The Chargers traded up with Arizona to grab Te'o, the Heisman Trophy runner-up.

Te'o ran a 4.82-second 40-yard dash at the NFL combine, slow for a linebacker.

He did better at Notre Dame's pro day, but NFL teams already had plenty of football reasons to doubt his worthiness as a first-round pick.

San Diego was willing to gamble on him.

"We did a lot of work on Te'o and I've seen him for a number of years," first-year general manager Tom Telesco said. "He loves football. He's passionate about it. He loves to practice. He loves to play."

Two officials, each with a different team, said their clubs passed on Te'o in the first round partly because of

his off-field issues.

The men, speaking on condition of anonymity because team draft strategy is confidential, said the decision was not just because of a disappointing combine performance or the linebacker's poor performance in the national title game.

Te'o was the third linebacker chosen in this draft.

"It's a perfect scenario. My parents can come and watch, I can go home, it's San Diego," said Te'o, a native of Hawaii. "We're all excited. I can't be any happier."

With the very next pick, the Jets sent their QB situation spiraling into further chaos.

They already have Mark Sanchez, who struggled last season but was brought back in great part because of a prohibitive contract.

They still have Tim Tebow, who almost certainly soon will be cut.

They signed David Garrard, who hasn't played in the NFL since 2010.

And now there is Smith, who waited futilely throughout the first round, returned to the theater Friday and was rewarded.

"It's extremely relieving. I withstood the test of time," he said. "It felt like forever in there."

If Smith thought that was tough, wait until he enters the cauldron overseen by Jets coach Rex Ryan, where every move by every QB on the roster is tabloid-Internet fodder for days.

"I'm a competitor and I'm going to accept my role on the team, whatever is handed to me," Smith said, "but my job is to compete day in and day out."

Safety Johnathan Cyprien of Florida International was the first selection of the second round.

Cyprien was a standout in the Sun Belt Conference and really solidified his stock with an excellent performance in the Senior Bowl.

"He's got a passion for the game," coach Gus Bradley said. "He is very animated. He just enjoys it. He loves to play the game. I think he's going to add to what we have here and the attitude that we're looking for."

Arizona added some spice to the third round by selecting former LSU cornerback-kick returner Tyrann Mathieu.

The Honey Badger was a 2011 Heisman Trophy finalist that LSU dismissed from the team last August for failing a drug test.

He was arrested in late October after police said they found marijuana at Mathieu's apartment.

"He impressed me so much in my office one on one, knowing at this point in time

what he needs to do in his life," Cardinals first-year coach Bruce Arians said. "I was really taken aback a little bit.

He knows what his problems are, he knows what he has done to himself, but he also knows that someone will give him a chance, that he knows what he needs to make sure he succeeds."

Other notable second-round picks Friday were Tennessee wide receiver Justin Hunter by the Titans, who traded up with San Francisco; Stanford All-America tight end Zach Ertz by Philadelphia; and North Carolina's Gio Bernard, the first running back chosen, by Cincinnati.

After no running backs were selected in the first round, five were taken in the second.

The number of linemen dropped to five.

The presumed top-rated running back, Eddie Lacy of Alabama, went with the next-to-last selection of the round, to Green Bay.

NCAA record-setting RB Montee Ball of Wisconsin was chosen by Denver.

Washington, which traded its first-rounder last year to draft Robert Griffin III, went for defensive back David Amerson of North Carolina State at No. 51.

New England, known for trading early picks for a bunch of later selections, chose linebacker Jamie Collins of Southern Mississippi at No. 52.

Seattle, after trading down six spots with Baltimore, closed out the second round by taking running back Christine Michael of Texas A&M.

Cleveland used its second-rounder, which would have been 39th overall, in last year's supplemental draft to take wide receiver Josh Gordon of Baylor, who made 50 catches for the Browns in 2012.

New Orleans was stripped of its second-round pick in the bounty scandal.

The final pick of Day 2 was the Titans' selection of Missouri linebacker Zaviar Gooden.

Among those who didn't go were quarterbacks Matt Barkley of Southern California, Landry Jones of Oklahoma and Ryan Nassib of Syracuse; South Carolina RB Marcus Lattimore, who is recovering from a severe knee injury; and two starters from national champion Alabama, OL Barrett Jones and DT Jesse Williams.

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Miami addresses defensive woes

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The Dolphins gave the Packers three picks Saturday — the 109th, 146th and 224th.

Taylor and Davis will compete for a starting job after the departure of Sean Smith to the Kansas City Chiefs via free agency.

"I'm just going to try to contribute the best way I can," Taylor said. "I'm happy to be a Dolphins, and man, I can't even explain it right now."

Davis, who broke up 17 passes last season, said the Dolphins are correct that he has a nose for the ball.

"I think that's one thing I've got above a lot of people," Davis said. "I know at the combine I showed it."

The 6-foot-5, 310-pound

Thomas was the 77th overall selection.

He started at left tackle for two seasons with Tennessee but switched to guard as a senior, and he said he's flexible regarding his position.

"I can do it all," he said. "I can play left or right. It's just up to coach. I'm just happy I got picked."

Miami is in the market to replace Pro Bowl left tackle Jake Long, who departed to the St. Louis Rams via free agency.

But Ireland and coach Joe Philbin were coy about their plans for Thomas.

"I love the versatility," Ireland said. "We see a big guy who can pull and move his feet and play guard and tackle on the left side. That's pretty unique."



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Champs win big, await Tampa Catholic

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scoreless in the third, with Harris striking out one in a one-two-three bottom half, but the Dragons added two more in the top of the fourth.

Miller reached and stole second before a swinging bunt, a high chopper to the pitcher, off Nathan Stanley's bat moved him to third.

Lott then laced a double down the third-base line for an RBI and Daum reached on an error to put runners on the corners.

Carr followed with a fly to deep left center that brought Lott in and bump the lead up to 8-0.

Harris retired the side in order in the bottom of the fourth, on three straight ground-outs, and the fifth, with a pop-out and two strike-outs.

And it was in the top of the sixth that Lake Placid put it away.

With two out, Daum reached on an error and Carr singled on the infield.

Cram then doubled to right-center, bringing both runners all the way around, and moving to third himself on the throw home.

Gutierrez blooped a single to right to score Cram and the Bulldogs were down to their final three outs — needing to score two or else an early ending on the mercy rule.

It looked like they might make some noise as a hump-back liner off the end of the bat dropped just at the outer edge of the infield behind second base for DeSoto's first hit since the first inning.

A fielding error followed and two were on with nobody out.

But Harris caught the next batter looking, got a pop-out to second baseman Miller and Carr snagged a grounder to short, raced to second and just beat the runner for a



News-Sun photo by DAN HOEHNE

It wasn't all fun for the Dragons Thursday night, at least not for Tyler Carr when he got drilled by this fastball in the second inning.

game-ending, championship-winning force-out.

"I said before the season started that this team had the makings to be real good," coach Coomes said. "It's a great group of kids that likes to have fun, but they listen. For example, just two weeks ago we really started working on two-strike swings, cutting down the swing and making contact, putting the ball in play. They listened, worked at it, and it really came through for us tonight."

And while the offense proved timely and tenacious, it was the dominance of Harris on the mound that stood out.

Over six innings of work, the senior right hander threw just 61 pitches, hit one batter, surrendered just the two hits and struck out six.

In fact, the hardest hit ball of him all night may well have been a deep fly-out to

left leading off the first inning for DeSoto.

"My first inning is normally always my worst," Harris said. "But after that first inning my command got better, and that's when everything started falling in my favor."

And when the Bulldog bats fell silent while the Dragons roared to the District Championship — the fifth claimed by Lake Placid High School this year.

In addition to the glory of the title and trophy, the win gets Lake Placid a home game in the first round of the Class 4A State Playoffs.

The Green Dragons will play host to Tampa Catholic Wednesday at 7 p.m.

"We had a pretty good crowd here tonight, and love that we'll get to have a game at home," Coomes said. "I imagine we'll have a big and lively crowd Wednesday."



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Above: Moments after the final out was made, the celebration erupted as the Green Dragons pile on after claiming the District 10-4A crown with an 11-0 win over DeSoto. Below left: Perhaps the hardest hit ball off Heath Harris was this deep fly to left, leading off the DeSoto first, which was tracked down by Rufino Gutierrez. Below right: Nathan Stanley slides in with the final run of Lake Placid's big, six-run, second inning.



This day in Baseball History

April 28

1901 — Cleveland pitcher Bock Baker gave up a record 23 singles as the Chicago White Sox beat the Indians 13-1.

1930 — The first night game in organized baseball was played in Independence, Kan. In a Western Association game, Muskogee defeated Independence 13-3.

1934 — Detroit's Goose Goslin hit into four double plays, but the Tigers still beat Cleveland 4-1.

1945 — Chicago's Hank Wyse pitched a one-hitter over Pittsburgh for a 6-0 win. The only Pirate hit was by Bill Salkeld in the eighth inning.

1956 — Cincinnati rookie Frank Robinson hit the first home run of his 586 lifetime homers in a 9-1 win over Chicago. Robinson homer came off Paul Minner in Crosley Field.

1961 — Warren Spahn, at the age of 40, no-hit the San Francisco Giants 1-0 at Milwaukee.

1966 — Cleveland's Sonny Siebert defeated the Angels 2-1 as the Indians tie the modern major league record with its 10th straight win since opening day.

1971 — Hank Aaron connected off Gaylord Perry for his 600th career home run in the Atlanta Braves' 10-inning, 6-5 loss to the San Francisco Giants.

1982 — Philadelphia's Pete Rose went 5-for-5 to tie Max Carey for the NL record with nine career 5-hit games. The Phillies scored six runs in the top of the ninth

to beat Los Angeles 9-3.

1988 — The winless Baltimore Orioles set an American League record by losing their 21st straight, falling to the Minnesota Twins 4-2.

1989 — Rickey Henderson of the New York Yankees set a major league record when he led off a game with a home run for the 36th time in his career, breaking a tie with Bobby Bonds.

1989 — Toronto's Nelson Liriano broke up a no-hitter in the ninth inning for the second time in six days ending Kirk McCaskill's bid with a pinch-hit double. McCaskill settled for a one-hitter as California won 9-0.

1999 — Colorado's Larry Walker hit three home runs and drove in eight runs to lead the Rockies to a 9-7 win over the St. Louis Cardinals.

2002 — The Angels defeat the Blue Jays 8-5 as SS David Eckstein hits a grand slam for the second day in a row a 14th inning blast off Pedro Borbon. He also homered in yesterday's 11-4 win over Toronto. Eckstein hit eight home runs for the year.

2011 — Ben Zobrist set a Tampa Bay record with eight RBIs, hitting a home run and two doubles as the Rays routed the Minnesota Twins 15-3 in the first game of a day-night doubleheader.

Today's birthday: Dillon Gee 27; David Freese 30.

Duncan's steady Spurs put Lakers on the brink

By GREG BEACHAM

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — While the Los Angeles Lakers have been a jumble of injury, inconsistency and general weirdness throughout their tumultuous season, Tim Duncan's San Antonio Spurs have spent yet another year as the model of NBA efficiency as they grind out wins with their usual dominance.

It's not tough to guess which team has the other on the brink of playoff elimination — particularly with Steve Nash watching in a suit and Kobe Bryant sitting in the training room.

Duncan had 26 points and nine rebounds, Tony Parker added 20 points and seven assists, and the Spurs beat the Lakers 120-89 in Game 3 on Friday night, the worst home loss in Los Angeles' lengthy postseason history.

A largely silent Staples Center watched San Antonio bully the Lakers to the precipice of first-round playoff elimination for the first time since 2007.

The short-handed Lakers played without their top four guards due to injury, and the Spurs posted their biggest win of a series thoroughly controlled by coach Gregg Popovich's playoff-tested club.

"We respect these guys, and we're not trying to give them any momentum whatsoever," Duncan said. "We try to play the whole 48

(minutes), and try to play it the right way. We don't want to build their confidence, and they don't get their rhythm."

The Lakers exceeded their 29-point home loss to Portland on May 22, 2000, the previous worst home defeat for the 16-time NBA champion franchise.

Staples Center's lower bowl was half empty in the final minutes, an unfamiliar sight in an arena used to celebrating championships.

San Antonio led throughout the final 44 minutes, going up by 18 in the first half and 25 early in the fourth quarter with its smooth, flexible offense.

Tiago Splitter limped to the Spurs' locker room late in the third quarter with a sprained left ankle, but not much else went poorly for San Antonio.

"I think we're playing fairly well," Popovich said. "Whether the team you're playing is whole, or banded up like the Lakers are ... we have to bring the energy and the professionalism to play."

Game 4 is Sunday night. "It's been a very tough year, but we're not going to make any excuses, and we're not going to quit," Dwight Howard said. "We're not going to hold our heads down because of the things that have happened this season."

Howard had 25 points and 11 rebounds, and Pau Gasol

added his first career playoff triple-double with 11 points, 13 rebounds and 10 assists, but the Spurs barely seemed to notice.

Andrew Goudelock scored a career-high 20 points in his first playoff start, and fellow starter Darius Morris scored 12 of his 24 points in the blowout fourth quarter.

"We've been murdered by injuries, and it's tough to overcome that," Gasol said. "We're extremely short-handed."

With Bryant and Nash joined by Jodie Meeks and Steve Blake on the injured list, the Lakers started Goudelock, signed from the NBA's D-League 12 days ago, and Morris, who barely played for long stretches of this season.

The young guards didn't play poorly, but they weren't enough to overcome Duncan's dominance and Parker's continued move back to top form.

"The first half, we gave everything we had, and it obviously wasn't enough," Los Angeles coach Mike D'Antoni said. "I thought our guys played as hard as they can play."

The Lakers' tumultuous season appears to be drawing to a merciful end, since they're nearly out of healthy players after beginning the season with a star-studded roster and championship aspirations.

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Business

Holmes travels to DC on behalf of individual investors

Special to the News-Sun SEBRING — Alan Holmes, a Sebring financial advisor for the financial-services firm Edward Jones, recently met with legislators in Washington, D.C., to seek legislation to increase savings and enhance retirement security. This is the 29th year for this effort — making it one of the longest-running nationwide grassroots outreach efforts to Congress in existence.

Holmes was one of 51 financial advisors chosen from among the firm's nearly 12,000 who traveled to Washington, D.C., to lobby on behalf of individual investors.

Holmes does this as a member of the firm's Grassroots Task Force, a group dedicated to voicing the investment concerns of individual investors to local, state and national lawmakers.

Edward Jones is the only large brokerage firm in the nation to organize this kind of grassroots effort. The financial advisors carry significant weight with legislators because they speak for the needs and concerns of nearly 7 million clients.

While meeting with legislators, Holmes discussed how the Edward Jones Grassroots Task Force supports saving and investing incentives that encourage people to save for their retirement and other long-term financial goals.

"We appreciate the opportunity to communicate the concerns of individual investors, especially those here in Sebring, and make sure they are heard on Capitol Hill," Holmes said.

Edward Jones provides financial services for individual investors in the United States and, through its affiliate, in Canada. Every aspect of the firm's business, from the types of investment options offered to the location of branch offices, is designed to cater to individual investors in the communities in which they live and work.

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Reed, Ferry honored



Courtesy photo Country Club Realty's Helen Ferry (left) and Kim Reed were honored at the recent Heartland Realtors Association banquet. Ferry was named 2012 Realtor of the Year. Reed was awarded the Hall of Fame honor for the year.

Review, exam set for food managers

Special to the News-Sun AVON PARK — A Certified Professional Food Manager Review Class & Exam is scheduled for Saturday, May 18 at Ridge Area Arc Training Room.

The review class will be from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The exam will be from 1:30-3:30 p.m. The facility is located at 120 W. College Drive. Ridge Area Arc has been providing foodhandler training classes since last September, but this is the first food manager training to be offered by Arc in Highlands County. This is just one more service Arc is bringing to the community in addition to the services it provides for people with disabilities.

The cost is \$160 per student. The fee includes a ServSafe Manager Review Guide, Review Class, ServSafe CPEM Exam and a First Time Passing Guarantee for those attending the review class and buying the guide. If a student does not pass the first time, the second time the review class and exam are free as long as the student calls within 21 days. Seating is limited.

The National Restaurant Association's ServSafe Food Protection Manager Certification is nationally recognized. It is good for five years from the exam

date. Local laws apply. Earning the certification tells the industry that the certified manager knows food safety and the critical importance of its role — and enables them to share food safety knowledge with every other employee.

According to Florida Statutes and related administrative rules, managers responsible for storage, preparation, display and service of food in the Florida Department of Business & Professional Regulation-licensed food service establishments to pass a Certified Food Manager examination. Every DBPR-licensed food service establishment must have at least one certified food manager, and one must be present any time four or more employees are engaged in preparation, storage, or service of food. Managers have 30 days after employment to become certified.

Register for the class by May 10. Bring payment to Ridge Area Arc Administration, 120 W. College Drive, where students can also pick up their Manager Review Guide. Checks or money orders must be made payable to Ridge Area Arc. Cash and credit cards are accepted. A \$20 fee will apply to all returned checks. A "no show" will result in a loss of all registration fees.

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Revitalization expert to talk about Downtown Sebring

Special to the News-Sun SEBRING — The Sebring Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) is pleased to announce that Marjorie Ferrer, executive director for the Delray Beach Downtown Development Authority (DDA) and an expert on downtown revitalization and redevelopment, will address Downtown Sebring on Thursday, May 2 at 5:30 p.m. at the Sebring Civic Center.



Courtesy photo Marjorie Ferrer, executive director for the Delray Beach Downtown Development Authority.

Anyone who is interested in Downtown Sebring is encouraged to attend and hear Ferrer speak with the community once again about redevelopment and the opportunities within the Downtown Sebring district. Ferrer is an inspiring speaker and a well-respected leader in the area of downtown redevelopment who has turned Downtown Delray Beach into a thriving destination for residents and tourists.

As executive director for the Delray Beach DDA since 1993, Ferrer has spearheaded the revitalization of the City to encompass daytime and nighttime economy and activity. In

less than two decades, she has initiated concepts that have been instrumental to Delray Beach's emergence as a thriving downtown, including Clean & Safe Initiatives, directing award-winning marketing campaigns and promotions that drive economic growth throughout the community.

Under Ferrer's dedicated leadership, Delray Beach continues to be successfully branded as the Village by the Sea. Her responsibilities encompass promoting Delray Beach locally, regionally, nationally and internationally, which has been voted "Most Fun Small Town in the USA"

last year by Rand McNally, USA Today and the Travel Channel.

Simultaneous to the DDA position, she also served as Executive Director of the Delray Beach Downtown Marketing Cooperative from 1993-2010, successfully coordinating a partnership between the Chamber of Commerce, the Community Redevelopment Agency, the Downtown Development Authority and the City of Delray Beach drawing millions of visitors and residents to the town through events.

Many of the signature events included the World Famous 100-Foot Christmas Tree, First Night and Art & Jazz on the Avenue, all of which generated over \$4 million in monetary sponsor support and more than \$11 million in in-kind sponsor support for the events and programs.

For updates, "like" Downtown Sebring on the CRA's Facebook Fan Page at www.Facebook.com/DowntownSebringFL or sign up to receive the monthly E-newsletter at www.DowntownSebring.org

Hagg joins Lake Placid chamber board



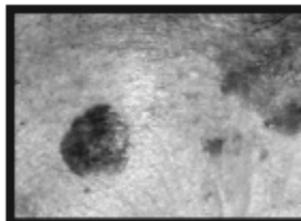
Maria Hagg

Special to the News-Sun LAKE PLACID — Vicki Spires, president of the board of the Greater Lake Placid Chamber of Commerce, announces that Maria Hagg, Florida Hospital Heartland Lake Placid, has joined the cham-

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Environment

In honor of Earth Day, test your planet IQ



News From The Watershed
Corine Burgess

This past Monday, April 22 was Earth Day.

Many schools had students doing educational Earth Day projects.

Various groups of environmentalist around the world took part in clean ups, reforestation projects, educational activities, plant give a ways, and a variety of other earth friendly events.

Did you do anything special to celebrate the planet this year?

You may be asking, what's all this fuss about Earth Day anyway? Well, it all started with a man by the name of Gaylord Nelson, a Wisconsin Senator who was sick and tired of seeing our planet being abused.

In 1969, one of the worst oil spills in history spewed hundreds of thousands of gallons of crude oil and gas into our beautiful oceans over an 800-mile area.

The spill affected 35 miles of coastline and killed more than 10,000 birds and countless other species of wildlife. This, in combination with factory's smoke stacks billowing out black contaminants into the atmosphere, pollutants gushing directly into lakes, streams and oceans, and cars that sported V8 engines pumping gallons of leaded gas, led him to take a stand and make a difference when it seemed that many Americans were oblivious to the damage that was being done to the Earth.

In 1969 Senator Nelson proposed a national teach-in on the environment, which he hoped would send a message to Washington that the general public wanted to see politicians do something about the environmental challenges of the times.

Activism was all the rage in the '60s, and the Senator took advantage of the climate of the times and gathered environmentally passionate students to help rally the public.

This resulted in a national day of recognition regarding the environment. With public support behind it, Earth Day was born and has been celebrated for over four decades.

But just in case you forgot to celebrate or maybe you didn't even know it was Earth Day, here's a little test you can take to help you be more knowledgeable about the planet you live on:

To test your planet IQ –

here are some questions, whose answers may surprise you.

How much solid waste does the United States produce in one year?

- A. 50 million tons
- B. 150 million tons
- C. 250 million tons

Answer: C – 250 million tons, says the EPA. That's more than 1,000 times greater than one of the largest cruise ships in the world.

How many pounds of trash did the United States create, per person, every day in 2010?

- A. 1.23 lbs.
- B. 3.46 lbs.
- C. 4.43 lbs.

Answer: C – Less than 5 pounds may not seem like much, but if you multiply it by 365 days, that's 1,617 pounds of garbage per person over a year.

Which of the following takes the longest time to break down?

- A. Plastic six-pack holder
- B. Hard plastic container
- C. Disposable diaper

Answer: A – A plastic six-pack holder takes 450 years to disintegrate. Consider the impact of plastic water bottles, which take as long to biodegrade. The International Bottled Water Association says that in the top 10 global markets alone, people consumed more than 61 billion gallons of bottled water in 2011.

Which of the following accounts for the greatest percentage of total waste in the United States?

- A. Paper
- C. Plastics
- D. Glass

Answer: A – Paper is by far the No. 1 item Americans dispose of. But it is also the most recycled material.

About 70 percent of the Earth is covered with water. Only a relatively small amount of it is potentially potable fresh water. How much?

- A. 1 percent
- B. 2.5 percent
- C. 7.3 percent

Answer: B – Only 2.5 percent of water on Earth is fresh water. And 70 percent of that is locked up in polar ice.

Though fresh water would seem somewhat precious, Americans use a lot of it every day. On average, what is the approximate daily water use of each household?

- A. 25 gallons
- B. 50 gallons
- C. 300 gallons

Answer: C – 300 gallons. That's what the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency says. Meanwhile, more than 750 million people (more than 10 percent of the world's population) still don't have adequate access to drinking water, according to the United Nations.

A lot of the water is used by Americans on their lawns. What percentage, on average, is used for outdoor purposes?

- A. About 10 percent
- B. About 30 percent
- C. About 60 percent

Answer: B – About 30 percent of U.S. residential and commercial water goes for outdoor use. And up to 50 percent of that evaporates if you water in the heat of the day, the EPA estimates.

It has been said that "knowledge is power," so hopefully now you know a little bit more about what's happening on our earth.

It's actually fairly easy to take a few simple steps and make small lifestyle changes that have a huge impact on our environment.

Cut down on water usage by turning water off when not in use; irrigate less, your lawn only needs so much water.

Recycle and reuse. You'd be amazed how many things are thrown away that can be reused in practical ways. Throw organic waste on your gardens; it decreases the amount of trash and

helps plants grow. Look up some environmental practices; make it a family project. Take care of our planet, it's the only one we have.

"The wealth of the nation is its air, water, soil, forests, minerals, rivers, lakes, oceans, scenic beauty, wildlife habitats and biodiversity ... That's the whole economy. These biological

systems are the sustaining wealth of the world." – Gaylord Nelson 1995

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



Courtesy photo
Senator Gaylord Nelson is credited with the creation of Earth Day as a response to the environmental issues of the 1960s and '70s.

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Inspirational Thoughts & Scriptures

Inspirational Thoughts
by Patricia Valentine

Joel 2:25-26, "And I will restore to you the years that the locust hath eaten, the cankerworm, and the caterpillar, and the palmerworm, and my great army which I sent among you. And ye shall eat in plenty, and be satisfied, and praise the name of the Lord your God, that hath dealt wondrously with you: and my people shall never be ashamed." The same God who brings judgment is pleased to restore blessing to those who repent. God can restore people to usefulness in spite of past disobedience. The desire of the enemy is to destroy and consume lives just as the cankerworm, caterpillar and palmerworm that Joel described. God promises that His people who come to Him will have their lives restored by His might and power. God can take even the most wrecked life and build it again. There is no situation too hopeless for God. Ephesians 3:20 says, "Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us." What God want to do in our lives is beyond what we can ask or think. Take the limit off and watch God work.

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Online

Pair of beloved TV soaps revived on the Web starting Monday

By FRAZIER MOORE

AP Television Writer

STAMFORD, Conn. — Taped to a wall at the entrance to the Connecticut Film Center in Stamford is this greeting: “Welcome (back) to Pine Valley.”

Pine Valley, of course, is the mythical setting of “All My Children,” a daytime drama that ran on ABC for nearly 41 years until it was snuffed in 2011.

But now, in one of those plot twists so common to soap operas but so rare in the real world, “All My Children” has been raised from the dead.

Was its cancellation just a bad dream, from which the show is now awakening? In any case, “AMC” will be back starting Monday with much of its august cast intact (including David Canary, Julia Barr, Jill Larson, Debbi Morgan and Cady McClain, and perhaps even Susan Lucci eventually returning to

the fold), along with shiny new actors to add more pizzazz.

But this time, “AMC” will not be on a broadcast network. It will be online.

So will “One Life to Live,” another venerable soap cut down by ABC after 44 seasons. It, too, will spring back to life on Monday. (Welcome back to Llanview, everybody!) Returning fan favorites include Erika Slezak, Robert S. Woods, Robin Strasser and Hillary B. Smith, each of whom has logged decades on the show.

Being online is going to draw people in. You can click on it and watch it any time you like. We don't want to totally reinvent the wheel, but we want to make the wheel turn better and turn quicker.

Jennifer Pepperman

‘One Life to Live’ executive producer

Each serial will unveil four daily half-hours per week, plus a recap/behind-the-scenes episode on Fridays, with 42 weeks of original programming promised for the first year.

They will be available for streaming on computers on the Hulu website. Subscribers to Hulu Plus can watch on a variety of other devices. And the episodes will be available for purchase on iTunes.

This resurrection could reverse the doomsday plot that has plagued soaps for decades as their viewership

withered and their numbers sank (there are only four left on the broadcast networks; there were a dozen in 1991).

And it is somehow fitting that TV’s oldest genre, carried over from radio, should now be making the transition to a 21st-century online platform complete with Agnes Nixon, who created both shows, as a digital pioneer. It’s a potentially restorative move that could prove the TV medium failed soaps, not the other way around.

Reflecting a new age of viewing patterns and business strategy, “AMC” and

“OLTL” will be the first offerings of The Online Network, an ad-supported outlet for first-run entertainment delivered online.

“What better way to start than with two shows that have been watched by fanatical fans for as much as 40 years?” says Rich Frank, a partner of Prospect Park studios, which owns The Online Network.

He notes that even as ABC pronounced death for these two soaps, “AMC” was averaging 3.2 million viewers a day and “OLTL” had 3.8 million viewers. He sets the threshold of success for his new venture at “a very conservative percentage” of that broadcast audience.

“Being online is going to draw people in,” predicts Jennifer Pepperman, “OLTL” executive producer. “You can click on it and watch it any time you like.”

Meanwhile, the drama will adapt to its new medium.

“We don’t want to totally reinvent the wheel, but we want to make the wheel turn better and turn quicker,” Pepperman says.

“AMC” executive producer Ginger Smith echoes Pepperman from her office a few steps away at the just-moved-in-looking, bustling headquarters the two shows share.

“We want to keep the core,” says Smith, who has risen on “AMC” from production assistant in 1988. “I still want escapism and romance, but we’re going to have stories that are sometimes a little darker and edgier than we did on ABC.”

As she is speaking, “AMC” is wrapping its first weeks in front of the cameras. Then “OLTL” takes over the 27,000-square-foot soundstage to start production. In this back-and-forth arrangement, each series will tape 210 episodes in the year ahead.

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CHRISTIAN

◆ **Cornerstone Christian Church**, (Saxon Hall) 1850 US 27 South, Avon Park, FL 33825. Love Christ - Love People. Bill Raymond, Preaching Minister. Jon Carter, Music Minister. Sunday, 9 a.m. Bible Study; 10 a.m. Worship; Communion available each week. Wednesday, 7 p.m. Home Fellowship Group. For more information call 453-8929 or 449-0203.

◆ **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; Josh Knabel (812-618-7118), 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 (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**, 154 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. 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 www.thelordsway.com/lake-placidcofc/.

◆ **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 GOD

◆ **Church on the Ridge**, Church of God, Anderson, Ind.; 1130 State Road 17 North, Sebring, FL 33870. Worship Service Sunday, 10 a.m.; Bible Study and Prayer, Wednesday, 7 p.m. Pastor Dr. Collet Varner, (863) 382-0773.

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.

Local author Ross to deliver sponsored copies of book

Special to the News-Sun

SEBRING — “A Wildflower for All Seasons,” written by local author Rhoda A. Ross, will be delivered into four Sebring elementary schools, two Lake Placid elementary schools, and one Avon Park school, thanks to the generosity of Martial Arts America, the Lake Placid Noon Rotary, and other individual sponsors in the community.

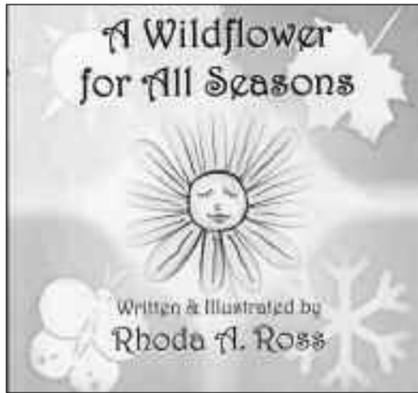
Master Val Henry, owner of Martial Arts America, has purchased 35 books to be placed, two per class, in each second-grade classroom at Fred Wild, Woodlawn, and Sun 'N Lake elementary schools.

Carla Rice will be presented at 7:30 a.m. Tuesday, May 14 at Fred Wild with books to be placed in second-grade classes at the three schools where she is the librarian.

Later in the week, 38 books in total will be placed in Cracker Trail Elementary, Lake Country Elementary, and Lake Placid Elementary schools, thanks to the Lake Placid Noon Rotary.

There are still opportunities to sponsor 1-21 books to place in Memorial and Avon Elementary schools.

Visit Ross's website at noondayheart.com/review to preview “A Wildflower for All Seasons.” Click on lesson



plans to view kindergarten, first-grade, and second-grade lessons aligned to the common core standards and helpful reading hints for parents.

“A Wildflower for All Seasons” is an interactive children's book. Each child can participate in activities and answer questions along the story's journey through each season of the year. The main character, Wild Flower, doesn't want to wither like the other wildflowers. She wants to live year-round. Wild Flower accomplishes her goal by going deep within herself to feel the noonday sun.



News-Sun file photo

Rhoda Ross reads her book 'A Wildflower for All Seasons' to a group of students in March.

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. Web site: www.TheWayChurch.org

GRACE BRETHREN

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

INDEPENDENT

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

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 Tuesday of month; Ladies Group WELCA meets at noon second Tuesday of

month with lunch. Bring a dish to pass. Labyrinth Prayer Garden open seven days a week to congregation and community. 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 past the four-way stop sign. 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 (863) 471-2663 or see christlutheranavonpark.org.

◆ **Faith Lutheran Church - LCMS**, 2740 Lakeview Drive, Sebring. Reverend Robert Reinhardt, Pastor. Church phone: 385-7848, Faith Child Development Center, 385-3232. Sunday Traditional Worship Service, 8 a.m.; Sunday Praise Worship Service, 10:30 a.m. Communion is served the first, third and fifth Sunday of the month. Sunday school and Bible classes, 9:15 a.m. Worship service is broadcast at 8 a.m. on WITS 1340 AM each Sunday. Educational opportunities include weekly adult Bible studies. Faith's Closet Thrift Store (385-2782) is open from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and 9 a.m. to noon Saturday. All are warmly welcome in the Family of Faith.

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

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

◆ **Resurrection Lutheran Church - ELCA**, 324 E. Main St., at Memorial Drive, Avon Park. Pastor Rev. John C. Grodzinski. Sunday worship at 8 and 10:30 a.m.; Sunday School at 9:15 a.m. Fragrance Free Service Wednesdays at 7 p.m. Open Communion celebrated at all services. “God's Work, Our Hands.”

◆ **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.

NON-DENOMINATIONAL

◆ **Bible Fellowship Church**, 3750 Hammock Road, Sebring, FL 33872. Sunday: American Sign Language: First Worship sermon, songs signed first and second Worship service. First Worship service, 9 a.m.; Second Worship service, 10:45 a.m. Nursery (up to 2 years old) and Sunday school classes both hours. BFC Youth, 6 p.m.; Evening Service, 6 p.m. Wednesday: Children, ages 4 yrs through 5th grade, 6 p.m.; Youth, 6-7:30 p.m.; Prayer time, 6:15 p.m. Todd Patterson, pastor; Andy McQuaid, associate pastor. Web site www.bfsebring.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. Casey L. Downing, associate minister, caseydowning@hotmail.com. Church phone: 314-0482. Web site: 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. Dustin Woods, lead pastor. Saturday Worship, 6:30 p.m. Sunday, 9 and 11 a.m. Tuesday 6 p.m. Grace Bible Academy Adult Investigating Truth; first and third Tuesday, Prayer Gathering, 7:15 p.m.; Wednesday, Children's & Youth Programs, 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 8:30 p.m., College Ministry. www.GBCconnected.org

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

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

◆ **Union Church**, 106 N. Butler Ave., Avon Park, FL 33825. Contemporary worship service is at 6:30 p.m. Saturday with Pastor Tiger Gullett. Sunday traditional worship service is at 7:45 a.m. and 9 a.m. Contemporary Sunday worship service is at 10:45 a.m. Nursery and children's church on Saturday nights and 9 and 10:45 a.m. Sundays. Breakfast and lunch menus at Solid Grounds. Senior Pastor is Bill Breylinger. Office: 453-3345. Web page at www.wearunion.org.

◆ **Unity Life Enrichment Centre**, new location, 10417 Orange Blossom Blvd. S., Sebring, FL 33875; 471-1122; e-mail: unity@vistanet.net. Web site, www.unity-of-sebring.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; Web site: 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, Rev. Darrell A. Peer, pastor. Sunday School, all ages, 9:30 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. Youth Group (middle school and high school age), 3:30-6:30 p.m. Tuesdays. 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.fpcdp.com, 117 N. Oak Ave., Lake Placid, 465-2742. The Rev. Ray Cameron, senior pastor; the Rev. Drew Severance, associate pastor. Sunday Traditional Worship, 9 a.m.; Contemporary Worship, 11 a.m.; Sunday School, 10:10 a.m. Wednesday evenings: Adult small group Bible Study 7 p.m. (Nursery available), Youth Group - 6-12th grades) 7 p.m., nursery and children's ministry, 7 p.m. Family Biblical Counseling available by appointment.

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

SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST

◆ **Avon Park Seventh-day Adventist Church**, 1410 West Avon Blvd., Avon Park. Phone: 453-6641 or e-mail: avon-parksda@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 Frank Gonzalez. Walker Memorial Academy Christian School offering education for kindergarten through 12th grades. ALL ARE WELCOME. Associate Pastor is Ryan Amos. Website is www.discoverjesus.org

◆ **Sebring Seventh-Day Adventist Church**, 2106 N. State Road 17, Sebring; 385-2438. Worship Services: 9:15 a.m. Worship hour, 11 a.m. Prayer meeting, Tuesday, 7:15 p.m. Community service: every Monday 9-11 a.m. Health Seminar with Dr. Seralde, every Friday, 10:00 a.m. Pastor 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, 10-11:00 a.m.; Gospel Doctrine, 11:20 a.m. to noon; Priesthood/Relief Society, 12:10-1p.m.; Primary for children, 11:15 a.m. to 1 p.m.; Youth Activities: Wednesdays, 7-8:20 p.m. Scouts: first and third Wednesday, 7-8:20 p.m. Activity Days: 8-11 yr old Boys and Girls, second and fourth Wednesdays, 7-8:20 p.m.

THE SALVATION ARMY

◆ **The Salvation Army - Center for Worship**. Sunday: Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Holiness meeting, 11 a.m.; and Praise meeting and lunch, noon. Tuesday: Bible study, 6:30 p.m.; and Women's Ministries, 7 p.m. Wednesday: Youth Ministries, 4 p.m. All meetings are at 120 N. Ridgewood Ave., Sebring. For more information, visit the Web site www.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 every Wednesday at 6 p.m. Visit us at our church website: www.fumcap.org.

◆ **Memorial United Methodist Church**, 500 Kent Ave., (overlooking Lake Clay) Lake Placid, FL, 33852. Rev. John A. Bryant, pastor. Rev. Claude H.L. Burnett, pastoral assistant. Rev. Jerry McCauley, visitation pastor. Sunday worship services: Worship Service, 8:30 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. Sunday School, 9:30 a.m. Loving nursery care provided every Sunday morning. Youth Fellowship, 5 p.m. We offer Christ-centered Sunday school classes, youth programs, Bible studies, book studies and Christian fellowship. We are a congregation that wants to know Christ and make Him known. Check out our church website at www.memorialumc.com or call the church office at 465-2422. Lakeview Christian School, VPK to Grade 5, 465-0313.

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

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

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

◆ **Emmanuel United Church of Christ**, Jesus didn't reject people, neither do we. Join us for worship every Sunday at 9:30 a.m. and you'll be embraced by a compassionate congregation that is all-inclusive. We're at the corner of Hammock and Hope. Choir and Bell Choir practice on Wednesday; Bible studies throughout the week. 471-1999; sebringemmanuelucc.com.

Movies

'Mud' oozes traditional literature, drama qualities

By **TODD McCARTHY**
The Hollywood Reporter

The story of a sympathetic fugitive who forges a bond with two teenage boys near a mighty river down South, "Mud" is shot through with traditional qualities of American literature and drama. Jeff Nichols' much-anticipated follow-up to his breakthrough second feature "Take Shelter" feels less adventurous and unsettling but remains a well-carpeted piece of work marked by some fine performances and resilient thematic fiber.

Nearly every relationship in Nichols's screenplay is threatened, fractured or broken. Ellis (Tye Sheridan) has good reason to believe that his parents (Sarah Paulson, Ray McKinnon) are headed for a divorce, while his best pal, Neckbone (Jacob Lofland), is being raised by his oyster-diving uncle Galen (Michael Shannon). Ellis, who's 14, lives in a funky old houseboat while the nearby Arkansas town is a characterless wasteland of large chain stores and housing developments.

On a deserted island out in the Mississippi, the boys stumble into the grizzled, unkempt Mud (Matthew McConaughey), who's hiding out in an old boat stuck up in a tree. Even though Mud soon admits that he's killed a man in a dispute, the boys are willing to give him the benefit of the doubt and, in exchange for the promise that they can have the boat once he's done, they start ferrying food across to him in a launch.

Nichols readily admits the influence of "The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn" on his story, in addition to those of other Southern writers. Such stories were formerly staples of American writing and there's enough dramatic and emotional meat on this one to suspect that audiences would easily engage with it. The title character is a perennial, a flawed man who admits the error of his ways and hopes for a second chance in the face of those who vengefully seek to take him down.

Significantly more appealing is the boy, Ellis, a sensitive, watchful, tough kid



Movie Review

'Mud'

Rating: R (some violence, sexual references, language, thematic elements)
Running time: 130 minutes
Review: ★★ (of 4)

who's able to stand up for himself. Although much smaller, he punches out an older high schooler and is flirted with seriously enough by an older girl to imagine that she's become his girlfriend. His anger at his parents for not finding a way to remain together is painful enough to give them pause. Sheridan's performance grows in stature and confidence as the film pushes on; he often keeps his words to a minimum, but his eyes and increasingly untrusting attitude toward adults and what they say speak volumes for his burgeoning understanding of the unsavory ways of the world.

Mud's getaway plans require the boys to steal an outboard motor for him but he also asks Ellis to contact his ladylove Juniper (Reese Witherspoon), who's laying low in town waiting for the green light to join Mud. Also hovering, however, is a squad of bounty hunters led by a hulking bad old boy (Joe Don Baker), whose son Mud killed.

There's more than enough anger, disappointment and disillusion to go around in Nichols's carefully constructed, slightly overextended drama. It's easy to criticize Mud for being old-fashioned, too redolent in familiar dramatic tropes, overly intent on establishing interlocking motifs and themes, and happy to fall back on both climactic violence and wishful thinking when it comes to second chances. More than anything, the characters of the boys keep

it real and alive, the film's emotional credibility overriding its dramatic convenience.

With messy hair, tattoos and a chipped tooth, McConaughey's Mud is a mess but still not without charm. After a string of silly and underperforming commercial outings, Witherspoon is on the money here in a strictly supporting turn as a trappy gal who's wasted her life thus far. Young Lofland as Ellis's pal, has a great face; Shannon, the star of "Take Shelter," seems present more for moral support than for his role, which is very incidental, while Sam Shepard puts far more than his recent norm into his acute characterization of a man who may or may not be Mud's real father and may or may not have been a government hit man.



Courtesy James Bridges/MCT

Tye Sheridan, from left, Jacob Lofland and Matthew McConaughey star in Jeff Nichols' 'Mud.'

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'The Rocket,' 'Kill Team' take top Tribeca honors

NEW YORK (AP) — The Laos adventure "The Rocket" and the Afghanistan War documentary "The Kill Team" have taken top honors at the Tribeca Film Festival.

In an awards ceremony Thursday evening in New York, festival jurors selected Kim Mordaunt's "The Rocket" for best narrative film. Its 10-year-old star won best actor.

The young Siththiphon Disamoe stars as Aholo, who enters a rocket festival to help save his poverty-stricken family that's been uproot-

ed for the construction of a dam.

Taking best documentary was Dan Krauss' "The Kill Team," an examination of the so-named group of U.S. soldiers charged with killing Afghan civilians.

The inaugural Nora Ephron Prize, an award for female filmmakers, went to writer-director Meera Menon. Her first film, "Farah Goes Bang," chronicles friends making a road trip to campaign for John Kerry during the 2004 presidential election.

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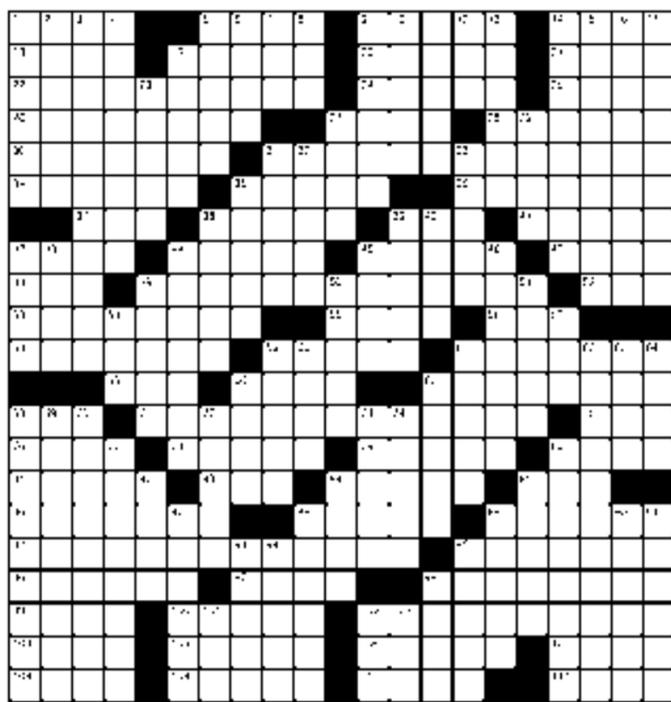
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Skip it
 - 5 Jotting on a Post-it
 - 9 Lowest of the low
 - 14 Artist who was an admirer of Freud
 - 18 Partner
 - 19 Invites over
 - 20 "Invisible Cities" author Calvino
 - 21 Well-versed in
 - 22 Container for mystery meat?
 - 24 How some sleep
 - 25 Nanny ___: security devices
 - 26 Fiddled (with)
 - 27 Word repeated after "que," in song
 - 28 Lure into crime
 - 30 Rapture
 - 31 Action scene in "True Blood"?
 - 34 Pakistani city
 - 35 Order to pounce
 - 36 Like some personalities
 - 37 Fluent speakers avoid them
 - 38 Dull finish
 - 39 Runner on snow
 - 41 Out of breath
 - 42 Ones giving marching orders: Abbr.
 - 44 Like NES video games
 - 45 Pulitzer winner Walker
 - 47 Opposite of exo-
 - 48 Hamilton's prov.
 - 49 Courage of Manhattanites?
 - 52 Crew member
 - 53 Topple
 - 55 Satan's little helpers
 - 56 Mil. decoration
 - 58 Wrote with limited characters
 - 59 Vineyard grape
 - 61 Assess flight risk, in a way
 - 65 Crossword heading: Abbr.
 - 66 Weirdo
 - 67 Panaceas
- 68 Report card calamities
- 71 Cloak for a road trip?
- 75 ___ Fáil: Irish "stone of destiny"
- 76 Villain's base
- 78 Architect Saarinen
- 79 High-ranked Atlanta school
- 80 Bane for bugs
- 81 Wrapped up
- 83 Windy City airport code
- 84 Water filter brand
- 85 Pivotal
- 86 Paleness causes
- 88 ___ Manor: "Batman" setting
- 89 High light?
- 92 Reaction to an alarm?
- 95 Two guys out to dinner, say
- 96 Noted lawmaker
- 97 MLB credits
- 98 Concert setup, briefly
- 99 "Look no further than me"
- 100 Require
- 102 Baby's pre-vacation note to self?
- 104 What a ponytail covers
- 105 River measure
- 106 "Coffee ___?"
- 107 Earthenware pot
- 108 Turned right
- 109 Puréeing aid
- 110 Hardy's "Pure Woman"
- 111 Drudge
- DOWN**
- 1 Washed-out shade
 - 2 Andean herd member
 - 3 Venue for poetry readings in space?
 - 4 Diagnostician's clues
 - 5 Brit's bro
 - 6 Abbr. before a year
 - 7 Part of a GI's URL
 - 8 Late lunch hour
 - 9 Late dinner hr.
 - 10 ___ 2600: old video game console



Solution on page B5

- 11 Capital NW of Monrovia
- 12 Loire land
- 13 Passed on a 19-Down
- 14 Versatile roll
- 15 Common rental
- 16 California city name meaning "pretty knoll"
- 17 Yard worker?
- 19 Silver in movies
- 23 Is worthy of, as repeating
- 27 Hook underling
- 29 Persian breads
- 31 In ___ fertilization
- 32 One may be supporting
- 33 Queen's decree
- 35 Dionysian reveler
- 38 Asked to be stroked, perhaps
- 39 Pursued one's dreams?
- 40 Press packets
- 42 Out of shape
- 43 Eat like a chinchilla
- 44 Stargazer's state
- 45 Supplies for Rambo
- 46 Geriatrician's concern, with "the"
- 49 V-shaped mark
- 50 Twisted
- 51 First name in makeup
- 54 Cow patch
- 57 Wharton Sch. conferral
- 59 Played with, cat-style
- 60 Alphabet addition?
- 61 Kama ___
- 62 Livestock kept between buildings?
- 63 Rival of Bjorn
- 64 Some srs.' source of stress
- 66 Propeller noise
- 67 Thou tenth
- 68 Webinars, e.g.
- 69 Mortgage acronym
- 70 Glancing blow
- 72 Bright finish
- 73 Sophie player
- 74 Nitrogen compound
- 77 Sent payment
- 80 What bad traffic comes to, with "a"
- 82 "The Flintstones" answer to Fido
- 84 Swings at home
- 85 Maasai Mara game reserve locale
- 87 '60s-'70s veep and family
- 88 Twist in agony
- 89 City about 300 miles from Baghdad
- 90 1887 La Scala premiere
- 91 Like the lion slain by Hercules
- 93 ___ union
- 94 "Suburgatory" ailer
- 95 Nets
- 98 Statistician's figs.
- 101 It may be seen opposite VI
- 102 Nursery container
- 103 "The Kids ___ All Right": 2010 Best Picture nominee

By JULIAN LIM

His steps, my shoes



Pause And Consider

Jan Merop

I couldn't wait to kick my sneakers off. My toes pinched and my whole body ached. The wrong fit meant misery. Finally, I found two pair that fit like a glove. What a difference.

The wrong fit influences your walk and skews your perspective. The same concept applies to career choices for one's self or children.

Through a class on "calling," my writing career was confirmed. It was where I was fulfilled and through which others told me they were blessed.

Proverbs 22:6, NKJV, reminds us to "Train up a child in the way he should go." Then it continues to say, "And when he is old, he will not depart from it."

The word child denotes a young child right on up to young adulthood still living under his parents' roof. While they're with us, we're responsible to help them understand the unique way in which God has designed each one. What is his passion, his bent in life? What are her gifts, talents and natural tendencies? Art? Music? Helping? Leadership? Building? Designing? Technology?

As these leanings are discovered, we can help give them a taste for, a desire for nourishment in that area that fulfills them. Through classes, hobbies, or other endeavors, let's initiate in them a hunger

for what God has already built in that will ignite their passion and glorify God.

So, pray, watch, listen, suggest and engage with them in various pursuits that are important to them. I have watched how our

oldest son and his wife do this with their children. And I think of our oldest grandson, Walter, who is 15.

From his toddler years, he has had a winning personality, been a helper, comfortable with people, and willing to work hard to achieve goals. His mom has been actively engaged in Boy Scouts alongside him to help him achieve his goals, as has his dad.

The fact he will achieve Eagle Scout status before he is 16 attests to what is unfolding for the future. His Christian testimony is clear and we are very proud of him and so thankful to God for his faithfulness.

A unique path awaits each of our grandchildren. According to their individual gifts, talents and personalities, they will build on the firm foundation of good parenting in order to walk in the steps God has planned for them.

Let's help all of our children, grandchildren and any others he brings our way to walk in his steps; but, in the right fit of their own shoes. Selah

Jan Merop of Sebring is a News-Sun correspondent.

Dad anticipates tough talks with his teenage daughters

Dear Abby: As a father of two teenage daughters, I have a question about couples living together. Do relationships that start this way have a higher failure rate than those that don't? What should be considered when a young girl has the "living together" question presented to her by a young man? And most important, what can I as a father do to help my daughters make an intelligent decision about this, other than just "load my shotgun" (LOL)?

As always, thank you for broadening my wisdom horizon and giving me examples of solid advice from which both my and my family's life have been enriched.



Dear Abby

Dear Abby: My husband and I are hoping you could shed some light on the practice of throwing rice at a wedding. We were not only wondering when and how the practice started, but also do people still throw rice today at weddings? We had heard that guests had stopped doing so to help protect wildlife (especially birds). Have you found this to be true? If so, what do we throw now?

— Empty-Handed in Wisconsin

Dear Empty-Handed: Rice-throwing is an ancient tradition that may date back to ancient Rome and Egypt or even earlier. It was a ritual having to do with fertility — many grains of rice equating to having many children. In some countries, the couple is pelted with dates, raisins or even eggs, according to Ask Yahoo.

According to Emily Post: "All the traditional materials have their drawbacks: Rice can be dangerous for birds if ingested; birdseed can sprout weeds in unwanted places; rose petals are notoriously slippery; and even bubbles can stain a gown. Instead, you might distribute colored flags or streamers

for guests to wave. ... It beats assigning someone the nearly impossible task of trying to recover grains and seeds from grass and flower beds."

It's Abby again: This is why I recommend that instead of tossing anything, you shower the happy couple with good wishes.

Dear Abby: My husband and I have three daughters, identical triplets. We, like many parents of multiples, are tired of questions and unsolicited comments from strangers concerning IVF — which we did not use, hence "identical" — or anything else triplet-related.

I don't think people realize how rude they are being. I have been asked when did I know, how much did they weigh, what are their full names, etc.

Abby, would you please discuss baby etiquette with the world? I do not feel questions about my children from total strangers are appropriate. They even make me feel unsafe.

— Multiple Mom in Oklahoma

Dear Multiple Mom: Identical triplets are unusual, and what the questioners are doing is exhibiting natural curiosity. While I agree that asking how your daughters were conceived is inappropriate, a polite way to respond would be to say, "They were conceived with love."

Write to DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069.

Be ready to face a few challenges this week, Virgo

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Aries (March 21-April 20) — Aries, avoid making a mistake you may regret later. Difficulties are expected with any situation, but you have to rise above and exhibit grace under pressure.

Taurus (April 21-May 21) — Taurus, address a situation that concerns you so it does not become a major misunderstanding. Others share your concerns, but they might be waiting for someone else to speak up.

Gemini (May 22-June 21) — Gemini, now might be a great time to present a new image. Someone you want to get to know better will respond to the changes you make in a positive way.

Cancer (June 22-July 22) — Ask questions and you will likely get all the right answers, Cancer. Trust your intuition to fill in the blanks and rely on the people you look to for advice to guide you in the right direction.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 23) — Leo, enjoy activities and challenges that enable you to use your talents and skills fully. Stick to relationships with positive people and you will be just fine.

Virgo (Aug. 24-Sept. 22) — Virgo, don't let someone pressure you into doing something you don't want to do. Be prepared to face a few challenges, the most

Horoscope

important of which might be figuring out your love life.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — Listen and observe what everyone is doing this week, Libra. Once you have a clear image you can take the appropriate action to achieve all of your goals.

Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — Scorpio, the people you interact with this week will teach you some valuable lessons. Your gut instinct will lead you in the right direction, but it's up to you to take action.

Sagittarius (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — Sagittarius, consider what made you happy in the past and work toward achieving that happiness again. Things will fall into place if you are honest with yourself.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 20) — Do your best to sort through any strong emotions, Capricorn. Remember, you cannot have happy days all the time, but you can learn from the challenging ones.

Aquarius (Jan. 21-Feb. 18) — Take on a new challenge or hobby to meet new people, Aquarius. Entertaining friends and their mutual friends will open up new possibilities.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) — Pisces, trust your intuition regarding matters of the

heart. Love is in the stars, and you should look for that special person.

Famous birthdays

April 28 - Jessica Alba, actress, 32; April 29 - Jerry Seinfeld, comic, 59; April 30 - Johnny Galecki, actor, 38; May 1 - Tim McGraw, singer, 46; May 2 - Lily Allen, singer, 28; May 3 - Christina Hendricks, actress, 38; May 4 - Will Arnett, actor, 43.

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Potty all the time

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Learning to use the potty is a big deal for little kids — and their parents. While it's definitely a time-consuming process with many ups and downs, it's also a process that can be easier for everyone with a few simple strategies, the right equipment and new, on-the-go tools that help make potty training fun anytime, anywhere.

Is your child ready?

Many children start showing an interest in potty training around age 2, but others aren't ready until they're older — because successful potty training begins when a child is physically and emotionally ready, which doesn't always happen at the same time for everyone. Here are some signs of readiness you can look for:

- ◆ Ability to stay dry for two or more hours during the day.
- ◆ Interest in the potty chair, toilet or wearing underwear.
- ◆ Communicating with words, body language and facial expressions when they need to go.
- ◆ Complaints about wet or dirty diapers.

What you need

Before you start potty training, consider having a few of these tools ready to help make the transition as smooth as possible:

- ◆ **Potty chair** — Put a potty chair in the bathroom. Look for a model with a removable top that can be placed on top of the toilet seat when your child is ready to start making the transition.
- ◆ **A small footstool** — Some kids feel a little insecure sitting on the big potty. Placing a stool under their feet can help stabilize them.
- ◆ **Training pants** — Training pants are a great way to move on from diapers, and help toddlers feel like a big kid before making the jump to underwear.
- ◆ **Rewards** — In addition to verbal praise for their efforts,

consider small rewards such as stickers or stars on a chart.

Every five or 10 stickers equals an extra bedtime story or game.

Try something new

BabyCenter's 2012 American Media Mom Report shows that as many as 65 percent of moms now own a smartphone, and 74 percent of moms let their children use their smartphones.

If your toddler enjoys playing with your smartphone, try using it as an educational tool, incentive and reward for potty training success.

Brands such as Pull-Ups now offer a wide variety of mobile tools to ensure you're always ready for potty training success, wherever you go.

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Overcoming obstacles

You'll probably hit a few roadblocks — and encounter stubbornness at its finest — with your toddler after you've started the potty training process. Keep in mind these dos and don'ts in order to get past them:

- ◆ Don't use punishments or threats.
- ◆ Always use positive reinforcement.
- ◆ Let children learn at their own pace.
- ◆ Stay positive when accidents happen.
- ◆ Take training breaks if needed.
- ◆ Boost fruit and veggie intake to help prevent constipation.

Roadblocks aside, potty training successes are always worth sharing and celebrating.

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