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Summer is prime time for crime

Burglaries more frequent

By SCOTT DRESSEL
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Summer means longer days, warmer nights and more chances to get outside and do something.

It also means more opportunities for criminals.

"It's prime time for burglaries," Nell Hays, public information officer for the Highlands County Sheriff's Office, said.

When people go out to do things in the evenings, they sometimes leave their homes unsecured. And even if they lock up tight, the fact they aren't there gives thieves an opportunity. Throw in the fact that many residents are heading back to their summer homes up north, and you've got even more potential targets.

Hays said that while there had been a recent string of burglaries in the northern end of the county that are under investigation, it's not just one particular part of the county that needs to be vigilant.

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The best eyes on the street that we have in our neighborhoods are the residents themselves.

Nell Hays
HCSO public information officer

UNSUNG HEROES



News-Sun photo by KATARA SIMMONS

Bruce Rogers' Brewster's Coffee House has become a central location for coffee, quiet and art for many residents in the county. Not only does Rogers provide foods and beverages for his patrons, he opens the doors nearly every night of the week for organizations and groups to hold meetings, events and special occasions in a comfy, eclectic atmosphere.

The motto of Brewster's Coffee House in Sebring is "May all who enter leave with a refreshed heart."

That rings true for anyone, whether you are looking for a warm cup of hot chocolate on a cold winter's night, a mid-morning pick-me-up on an uneventful Wednesday or a good story while you sip your latte on a Sunday evening.

Modest and always humble, owner Bruce Rogers has always shied away from the spotlight, only wishing to do his deeds behind

COFFEE & CARING

By SAMANTHA GHOLAR
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the scene and, if he can help it, with little recognition.

Even in a troubled economy, Rogers is always willing to offer the coffee shop for musical performances, political rallies and meet-and-greets, concerts, theater shows, art displays and a number of different Bible study groups — all without charging a fee.

Paul Ferrell is a member of Peace of Highlands County, an art organization that focuses on spreading the arts and peace and

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News-Sun photo by KATARA SIMMONS

Damaris Garro is deeply concerned about her husband Edwin Serrano, who suffered a major heart attack two months ago and may need a heart transplant. A fundraiser spaghetti dinner is scheduled at 4 p.m. Saturday at St. John's United Methodist Church in Sebring.



Heartfelt: A church bands together to help

Fundraiser for Serrano is Saturday

By CAROL KLINE
News-Sun Correspondent

SEBRING — It's one of those horrifying moments when a family realizes their father is very near death. The call to 9-1-1. The family gathers; they pray, but fear strikes relentlessly. Such was the case in the Edwin Serrano family on March 11 when he suffered a massive heart attack at about 1 a.m.

It came from nowhere. Serrano is 54, very healthy, does not drink nor smoke, runs three miles every day, and has coached, as well as refereed, soccer at the YMCA for 16 years. Moreover, Serrano has served as referee for the Florida High School Athletic Association at various sports agendas throughout Highlands, DeSoto, Hardee, and Polk counties for 10 years.

What could have caused this severe, sudden heart attack?

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AP council calls on private sector to help with cemetery maintenance

By BARRY FOSTER
News-Sun correspondent

AVON PARK — Council members turned down a request from Deputy Mayor Brenda Gray to take over maintenance duties at the Lincoln Gardens Cemetery Monday night.

Described as a low-income internment facility, the cemetery is run by a volunteer board, of which Gray is a member. She told council members that while most cemetery plots in Highlands



Gray

that there is no official owner of the land and no property taxes are assessed against it.

County cost \$1,000 or more just for the land, people may be buried at the 6.8-acre site at Cummings and Garrett roads for just \$300.

That money goes into a maintenance fund. Gray told the council

When asked about its status as a not-for-profit facility, Gray said seeking that designation was found to be cost prohibitive.

"There's a whole lot of things that the Federal government requires — especially for a cemetery and we don't meet all those criteria," she said.

Gray said one legal counsel told the group it was better to leave it "as is."

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'Her life a gift to all'

Bench, trees dedicated in memory of late teacher

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Ross to deliver her book 'Wildflower' to schools

Local sponsors chip in to help fund donation

Special to the News-Sun
Rhoda A. Ross will have the opportunity to deliver sponsored copies of her book, "A Wildflower for All Seasons," 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 at 2800 Kenilworth Blvd., 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 received her books May 14 at Fred Wild to be placed in second-grade classes at the three schools where she is the librarian.

Later, 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.



Rhoda A. Ross 'Wild Flower' (left) presents teacher Donna Reed at Fred Wild Elementary School with two classroom copies of 'A Wildflower for All Seasons.'

There are still opportunities to sponsor up to 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.

Community Briefs

Kruisin' 4 Kids Fundraiser today

SEBRING — The Florida Hospital Heartland Medical Center Foundation will hold its Fifth Annual Kruisin' 4 Kids drive event today. All it takes is 15 minutes time and Ford Motor Company will donate \$20 for each driver. The event is from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. All proceeds raised will benefit the renovation of the Sebring Pediatric Unit.

Ford Motor Company has also chosen Florida Hospital Heartland Medical Center's Kruisin' 4 Kids event to film their video for future marketing material to be used (possibly) nationwide. Ford will be on sight filming between 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Drivers must be 18 years of age and must have a valid driver's license. Free goody bags will be given to all participants while supplies last. Plus, prizes are given to every fifth participant who comes. Cook-out lunch available for \$5. For more information, call 402-5369.

LPHS Band Car Wash is Saturday

LAKE PLACID — Lake Placid High School Green Dragon Band Car Wash will

be from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday at Bank of America on the corner of U.S. 27.

The proceeds will benefit the Lake Placid High School Marching Band event for the Young Eagles program to give kids a introductory flight from 7:30-11 a.m. Saturday, June 8; ages 8-17 may participate. This will be the first event in the new EAA Chapter 1240 Aviation Development Center building on the south flight line at Sebring Regional Airport.

There will also be a pancake breakfast as a fundraiser for the youth aviation programs.

Register the youngsters by contacting the Young Eagle's coordinator John H. Rousch by email at jhr@strato.net; by mail to Lake Placid High School, 202 Green Dragon Drive, Lake Placid, FL 33852; phone 699-5010, ext. 247 or 273-0522 cell.

Boy Scouts have pancake breakfast and car wash

SEBRING — Boy Scout Troop 827 on Saturday at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints will have a pancake breakfast/car wash from 8-11 a.m. Enjoy pancakes while the car is being

washed and vacuumed. Breakfast tickets are \$5 each and car wash is donation only.

This is not the usual pancakes and syrup breakfast. Order from a variety of fruits and nuts, or cook them yourselves, topping them with blueberries or strawberries and whipped cream, etc.

The church address is 3235 Grand Prix Drive, in the area of Walmart.

Billy Glades plays at Highlands Hammock

SEBRING — Music in the Park features Billy Glades in concert from 7-9 p.m. Saturday at Highlands Hammock State Park.

Admission is \$5, accompanied children age 12 and under are admitted free of charge. Park entrance fee is \$6 (up to eight people); after 6 p.m., the fee waived.

Bring a lawn chairs or blankets and flashlights; the concerts are outdoors. Food will be available at the Hammock Restaurant and by local vendors.

Proceeds benefit park improvements via Friends of Highlands Hammock. Call 386-6094 or visit www.FloridaStateParks.org for more information.

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100 years of dedicated service



Sebring sworn police officers renew their Oath of Honor Wednesday afternoon, during an open house reception at the police station to celebrate the department's 100 years of service to the city.

SPD renews vows and thanks the people it serves

By CHRISTOPHER TUFFLEY christopher.tuffley@newssun.com
SEBRING — The Sebring Police Department celebrated its 100th birthday with an open house and reception for the people they serve Wednesday afternoon.

In addition to welcoming residents, the department's officers and staff paid homage to fallen fellow officers and renewed their oaths of honor.

Mayor George Hensley, Judge J. David Langford and St. Catherine Catholic

Church's Very Reverend Jose Gonzalez took part in the ceremony.

Hensley was applauded when he said, "We are very, very proud of our police department.

"We hear about crime, but we don't hear when police help people (in their day-to-day lives). Our police officers are courteous, very kind and have passion for their job. Thank you for all you do. Stay safe out there," he said to the officers.

Langford issued the oath

of honor. He also commended the officers. "(I know) these are not just words spoken. These are words taken to heart," he said.

The officers pledged: "On my honor, I will never betray my badge, my integrity, my character or the public trust. I will always have the courage to hold myself and others accountable for our actions. I will always uphold the Constitution, my community and the agency I serve. So help me God."

Online

YOUR VOICE

This week's question: Did the city council make the right decision about Sebring firefighter pensions?

Yes 56.7% No 43.3%

Total votes: 282

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Scott rejects Amazon deal

TALLAHASSEE (AP) — Florida Gov. Rick Scott, who has made job creation his top priority since coming into office, has rejected a proposed deal to bring major Internet retailer Amazon to the state.

After months of behind-the-scenes negotiations, Scott ultimately said no to a deal that would have led to the construction of at least one Amazon warehouse in the state and brought jobs along with it.

state, however, would have meant that Floridians would have to pay sales tax on Internet purchases made through the company.

Amazon wanted to defer collecting the state's 6 percent sales tax until next February or when its warehouse was open and occupied. The retailer has reached similar arrangements in several other states.

But accepting the deal meant Scott could have been portrayed as being supportive

of allowing taxes on Internet purchases.

Scott, whose poll numbers remain low, has said in the past he could only support the taxation of Internet purchases if the money were offset by tax cuts elsewhere.

"Gov. Scott does not want to raise taxes in Florida, and we are confident Amazon will invest in our state because of our low-tax, pro-business jobs climate," Melissa Sellers, a spokeswoman for Scott, said in a statement on Thursday.

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Editorial & Opinion

ANOTHER VIEWPOINT

Military needs to get serious about rape

If the military were truly serious about stemming the plague of sexual assaults in the ranks, the number of incidents would drop dramatically. Instead, rapes and assaults have increased.

If the officers in charge were deeply committed to protecting women serving their country, they wouldn't issue memos that, in effect, tell those women who have been violated to shut up and get over it.

If servicemen who rape their fellow soldiers had any reason to fear punishment, they wouldn't do it. But when women are muzzled, and the few convictions are overturned, then what's a guy got to worry about?

And if Air Force Lt. Col. Jeffrey Krusinski really believed that the rules applied to him, he would not have allegedly grabbed a woman's breasts and rear end in an



Arlington County, Va., parking lot. She was a complete stranger. He is the officer in charge of the Air Force's sexual-assault prevention program. He was arrested. ...

President Barack Obama sounded appropriately outraged at the news of Krusinski's arrest and the Defense Department report. Talk is cheap. He needs to push his military leaders to act. Women in the Senate already are taking the lead.

Sen. Claire McCaskill has put the brakes on the nomination of Lt. Gen. Susan Helms for vice commander of the Air Force Space Command. Sen. McCaskill first wants a clear explanation as to why Lt. Gen. Helms last year overturned a jury conviction

in a sexual-assault case. Sens. Kirsten Gillibrand, Patty Murray and Kelly Ayotte propose a special victim's counsel.

Gillibrand also proposes removing the investigation and prosecution of a sexual assault case from the victim's chain of command, which clearly has led to an insular and secretive process that too often gives transgressors a pass. That authority would rest instead with impartial military prosecutors. In addition, Gillibrand's bill would eliminate the ability of a senior officer to toss out a jury's guilty verdict.

Defense Secretary Chuck Hagel, however, is balking at what could be a major step forward in giving victims'

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justice and punishing the guilty.

Sexual assault is as much a crime in the military as it is in civilian society. Hagel must set the tone for zero tolerance and swift consequences. Discipline and integrity must rule.

An editorial from the Miami Herald.

TODAY'S LETTERS

Rules shouldn't have been changed midstream

Editor:

The Sebring City Council has done a terrible injustice to the employees and citizens by cutting benefits to the firefighters, and by changing the benefits package of those employees who are not yet vested. These employees were hired with specific benefits, in writing, and trusted that the contract given them would be honored. Now you've decided that you didn't really mean what you said?

When you, as a businessman, hire any employee, do you change what you offered them upon employment after they've worked for you, maybe for several years? My guess is that you wouldn't consider doing that unless it meant adding something to the package.

I do understand economics, so if changes need to be made, start with new hires. Sage advice would be "don't change the rules in the middle of the game."

One of the main arguments for this action was that other businesses do not offer similar benefits. Other businesses cannot be compared to any public service position.

Mr. Businessman, how many times in your entire career have you risked your life for your customer? How often have you stood on the highway to aid a traffic accident victim or given CPR to a heart attack victim who might just happen to be a friend, and then tried to sleep that night? Have you ever been atop a tanker filled with flammable materials, desperately hoping to put out the fire before it blows and takes the school next door with it? Have you ever tried to save a SIDS baby or search for a frightened child in a burning building?

My guess is that the most chilling experience you've ever had is calming a disgruntled employee or patron ... not a life-changing moment in all of your years.

The job that a firefighter does is extremely physical. Staying at that job past 50 years of age is very risky. Cutting benefits means that these employees have to retain their employment beyond safe limits.

Our firefighters, police officers and paramedics face potentially life-threatening situations every time the uniform is donned. To compare what they do to a business is ridiculous, and shows that you truly do not care about the people that you employ.

*Kathy Border
Avon Park*

Bouquet

Clays for Kids a big success

Editor:

Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Sun Coast would like to give a big thank you to all the sponsors, volunteers, board members, and everyone who took part in Clays for Kids 2013! Eighty-eight shooters came out to Square One Sporting Clays to raise money to give promising futures to the children in our community through their one-on-

one mentoring programs to provide children facing adversity with strong and enduring, professionally supported relationships that change their lives for the better.

Because of companies, organizations, and volunteers like those in our wonderful community Clays for Kids was a huge success.

Presenting Sponsor was CFIndustries. Top - Gun Sponsors were AT&T, Heartland National Bank, Representative Cary Pigman, and Sebring Optimist Club. Sharpshooter Sponsor was Budget Bi-Rite Insurance. Team & Station Sponsors were Bill Jarrett Ford, Chris Miller Marine Construction and Positive Medical Transport. Team Sponsors were Comcast, Cowpoke's Watering Hole, Dr. Willey Dental Care, EMS - Representative Cary Pigman, Green Parrot, Highlands County Sheriff's Office and Polk County Sheriff's Office.

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Thank you to the volunteers and board members for your help.

All proceeds from the event will go towards enabling Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Sun Coast to give promising futures to the children in our community through their one-on-one mentoring programs to provide children facing adversity with strong and enduring, professionally supported relationships that change their lives for the better.

Thank you to all of our sponsors.

*Big Brother Big Sisters
of the Sun Coast*

Getting it wrong



Candid Thoughts

Peter Funt

Scott Pelley of CBS News raised eyebrows and passions among journalists at a Quinnipiac University luncheon the other day when he said, "Our house is on fire." He was talking about challenges to the news business from with-

in, as reporters become careless in a rush to be "first"; and, from outside, where social media supply what he labeled "more bad information" than at any time in history.

Pelley is a worthy recipient of the Fred Friendly First Amendment Award that provided the occasion for his remarks. But in assembling the facts he was unfair to his profession, while overlooking the real issues igniting fires that threaten journalism today.

Referring to the Newtown school shooting and Boston Marathon bombing, Pelley said, "We're getting big stories wrong, over and over again." Putting social media aside, that's a gross exaggeration.

Errors are regrettable but nothing new when journalists operate under pressure, nor are they directly linked to social media, which Pelley went on to lambaste. "We were attacked by terrorists," he said, "and amateur journalists became amateur vigilantes."

Those gossiping via Twitter and Facebook are not journalists. If news professionals were to put stock in such chatter without verification they would be wrong, but there is little evidence of that really happening. The wild frontier of social media shouldn't be conflated with the established world of journalism.

Pelley's other main point was that journalists place too much importance on being first with a story, rather than having the patience to make certain it's right.

That, too, is valid — but getting a scoop has driven journalists since the



profession began. And, to some extent, it actually does matter. Viewers changing channels during high-drama events do get a sense of which network is ahead on a story and which is lagging behind, which is why ABC benefited greatly by fast reporting from its Boston affiliate during the days following the bombing.

Coverage of the 1963 Kennedy assassination, and particularly Walter Cronkite's reporting on CBS, is often cited as the gold standard for handling breaking news in the pre-Internet era. Cronkite's work, brilliant as it was, along with that of affiliate KRLD, contained many errors in the early going, among them: that a suspect was under arrest, when in fact none was; that a secret service agent was killed; that a witness saw a "colored man" fire the shots.

In his memoir year's later, Cronkite boasted, "We beat NBC onto the air by almost a minute."

Here are three areas I wish Scott Pelley had touched upon. First, the biggest threats to established media are cutbacks. As I write this, new layoffs are reported at two New York papers, and NBC has canceled the news magazine "Rock Center." Accurate reporting requires layers of editors and fact-

checkers, and it's those layers that are going up in flames.

Second, media shouldn't really be judged on emergencies that captivate the nation's attention as much as they should on digging up the truth about topics like government and the economy, to name just two. Does anyone fear the impact of Twitter and Facebook in these areas? Need we worry about journalists trying to be "first" with this type of news?

Finally, conventional news outlets are being influenced too much by creeping tabloidism and, in the case of electronic media, by an overdose of politically-weighted opining. These matters are governed largely by the business office, by the people also responsible for sweeping cutbacks.

In the digital age there undoubtedly is more bad information than ever before. That's not the fault of the choir Scott Pelley was addressing at a luncheon of journalists.

Their house, as he referred to it, isn't on fire, but it is being fired upon.

Peter Funt's new book, "Cautiously Optimistic," is available at Amazon.com and CandidCamera.com/. Guest columns are the opinion of the writer, not necessarily those of the News-Sun staff.

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APCI has new warden

Full circle for Tim Sheffield

By BARRY FOSTER

News-Sun correspondent
SEBRING – There’s a new chief at the Avon Park Correctional Institution. Tim Sheffield began work as the new warden at the facility on the grounds of the Avon Park Bombing Range earlier this month.

It’s actually a homecoming of sorts for Sheffield, who began his career at APCI in the late 1980s.

“I started here as a corrections officer back in 1989,” he said.

Since that time, Sheffield has worked his way up through the ranks, from sergeant all the way to his last post at Martin Correctional Institution, where he served as assistant warden.

Like APCI, the MCI facility in Indiantown houses adult male inmates.

The International Exposition Center, which is a joint venture between the Department of

Corrections and the Department of Agriculture for the purpose of housing and showing cattle, is under the supervision of

I started here as a corrections officer back in 1989

Tim Sheffield new APCI warden

the MCI. The Glades Work Camp, the Loxahatchee Road Prison, West Palm Beach Work Release Center, Atlantic Work Release Center, Sago Palm Work Camp and Fort Pierce Work Release Center also are part of the MCI operation.

The Avon Park facility was established in 1957 to house minimum- and medium-custody adult males. In 1977, it began accepting close-custody inmates. Avon Park Work Camp remains under the supervision of APCI.

Sheffield said when he first began here, much of the old work camp was still in full operation.

“I think the chapel is the only original part of that camp left,” Sheffield said.

Interestingly enough, he said that over the years the census of the facility has dropped.

“We had around 700 when I first started. I think we have a little over 500 now,” he said.

In the past, APCI was noted for having a larger population of elderly and disabled inmates.

However, Sheffield said that no longer is the case. “We have them from 20 on up,” he said.

Sheffield has only been in the post for about two weeks. He said he has spent the bulk of his time getting to know the staff and the facilities as they are currently. Other than a few procedural changes, he said he had no plans to make any major modifications.

“Because of the current budget constraints, I don’t see that there will be much different for a while,” he said.



News-Sun photo by KATARA SIMMONS

The Serrano family is learning to cope with Edwin Serrano’s severe heart condition. Son Kenny Serrano (from left), daughter Karen Serrano, wife Damaris Garro, father/husband Edwin Serrano and son Diego Serrano (not pictured).

Church rallies behind member with mystery heart ailment

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The doctors at Florida Hospital Heartland Medical Center were definitely perplexed, but they believed from the outset he would have to have a heart transplant. So destructive and damaging was the attack, there seemed no alternative. Meanwhile, Serrano developed severe complications from a variety of medications he received to help with pain and to continue to stabilize him. That, in turn, caused him to sink very suddenly even closer to death’s door.

Panic ensued. Prayer requests began filtering to and throughout St. John United Methodist Church, where the Serrano family has attended for about 12 years. Vigils and special prayers led by Rev. Ronald DeGenaro Jr. are ongoing.

Faith is the thread that knits this very active church family together. But soon another fear surfaced: How would the Serrano family pay for all the medical expenses and the costs of Edwin’s month-long hospital stay? They had no insurance.

The Costa Rican-born Serrano was employed at the Holiday Inn Express on U.S. 27, north of Sebring. Edwin and Damaris have three children: Kenny, who served four years in the U.S. Army and is now assistant manager at Subway; Karen, who is employed at Newsome Eye & Laser Center; and Diego, who is now a student at South Florida State College, hoping to become a pilot in the U.S. Air Force, and working part time at Yianni’s.

The Serrano family is very close and very strong in their Christian faith. “We believe our prayers were answered,” Serrano said in a recent interview. “The doctor at Florida Hospital said I should have a transplant, but the medications had really messed me up.”

“After three weeks,” Serrano continued, “I was sent to Orlando where a well-known professor and cardiologist said my situation was ‘weird.’”

The heart specialist quite obviously was referring to the tremendous damage his heart sustained and stated that, if Serrano had not been in top physical condition or had he been over weight, he would have likely died instantly. But the Orlando specialist decided against immediate transplant surgery, putting Serrano on new medications and setting a three-month watch period. Serrano wears a Life Alert button.

The Serranos still do not know what the future holds. The folks at St. John United Methodist Church have decided to help the Serrano family defray medical



News-Sun photo by KATARA SIMMONS

Edwin Serrano must take 15 pills a day after he suffered a massive heart attack two months ago.

expenses by hosting a spaghetti dinner at the church at 4 p.m. Saturday. All proceeds will go to their cause.

Tickets are: adults, \$8; children under 12, \$5. Seating times will be 4, 5 and 6 p.m., with take-out and walk-in tickets available at the door. If you wish to donate to the fundraising effort, checks can be sent to St. John United Methodist

Church, 3214 Grand Prix Drive, Sebring, FL 33872. Make checks payable to St. John U.M. Church, and mark in the “Memo” for “Serrano Family.” Call the church at 382-1736 for details.

“We praise God for my life being spared,” Serrano said. “A valve does not work still, and the doctor said he does not understand how I am still here.”

Crime tends to rise with temperatures

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“Summertime is when we have the least amount of residents here in Highlands County. Especially in our mobile home communities; vacant houses far outnumber occupied ones and unfortunately this is a great environment for burglary, vandalism and other related crimes,” she said. “Deputies do their best to conduct random patrols, however calls for service continue and they must respond to these immediate needs.”

“The best eyes on the street that we have in our neighborhoods are the residents themselves. No one knows better what is normal in a community than the people who live there every day.”

Hays said if residents see something suspicious, they should call the HCSO or their local police department.

Summer also brings an increase in car burglaries, with three reported in the Sebring Country Estates and Sebring Hills areas Tuesday night.

Hays said that car burglaries tend to come in bunches.

“We seldom get just one. When this person or these people go through an area they hit numerous vehicles so we’ll get three to maybe as many as 10 in one place,” she said.

“Mobile home communities are especially vulnerable because of the proximity of residences next to one another.

“Neighborhoods like Sebring Hills and Sebring Country Estates are also likely targets because of the

Summertime is when we have the least amount of residents here in Highlands County.

Nell Hays
HCSO public information officer

number of homes and it’s pretty easy to walk from house to house, not so much like maybe Spring Lake where the homes are spaced a bit farther apart.”

Teens don’t have the constraints of school nights during the summer and may be looking for something to do — and that something to do doesn’t always fall within the confines of the law. Sometimes, they just go around checking car doors.

“When they find an unlocked vehicle sometimes the temptation is too great and they help themselves to items such as cell phones, wallets, purses, credit cards, CD and DVD players. Simply locking your vehicle and taking these items with you can prevent this crime.”

Hays said that anyone who wishes to help their local Neighborhood Watch — or wants to start one in their community — should contact her at 402-7369.

“And don’t wait until the seasonal residents return to get your group together,” she added.

“This is the time when extra eyes are most needed in our neighborhoods. Start the group now, and when the northern residents return augment the program to accommodate them.”

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Blackmon still teaching students through memorial Bench, trees a lasting tribute

By SAMANTHA GHOLAR

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AVON PARK — Rene Collette Blackmon passed away two years ago after working for the Highlands County school district for more than 20 years. The faculty and students of Avon Elementary School honored Blackmon by dedicating a tree and a bench during a ceremony on the campus Wednesday afternoon.

“There was this tree that use to be outside Mrs. Blackmon’s room. She’d always look out her window and watch the squirrels play in it and get excited. She just loved that tree. When we got back to school from summer that August after she passed, we noticed that her tree was dead,” said special education instructor and ceremony coordinator Jackie Harris.

Harris touched base with the Keep Highlands County Beautiful organization to get some insight on doing something about the tree. Many Avon Elementary students are 4-H members, so Harris thought the project would be a great way to include those students.

With the help of KHCB, Robbins Nursery donated



Courtesy photo

Former special education instructor Rene’ Collette Blackmon was honored Wednesday afternoon at Avon Elementary School. A bench and live oak tree were dedicated in Blackmon’s memory. Family members, students, faculty and parents were present during the ceremony.

Blackmon’s tree, along with the seven others that were placed around the playground area. Each of the trees represent author Stephen Covey’s “7 Habits of Highly Effective People,” known to the students as “Covey Habits.”

“Each of the trees represents one of the habits the children are learning. Each of the trees have been adopted by two classes; they water it and look after it every day,” Harris said.

“Even if we don’t get to have a recess that day, they still remember to run out and water the trees.

“She (Blackmon) was a wonderful teacher. She worked hard and she loved her students.

“The inscription on her bench is perfect: ‘Rene Collette Blackmon, Her life a gift to all.’ She really was,” Harris said.

The leadership skills the students are learning through the trees and the Covey



Courtesy photo

Avon Elementary School students (from left) Ian Harris, Isis Gogins, Destiny Saldana, Angelica Bautista, Kayla Hendrix tend to their class tree on the schools campus. The live oak is one of seven newly planted trees that was dedicated Wednesday to the schools during a ceremony in honor of a former instructor.

Habits are an example of how Avon Elementary is becoming a “Leader In Me” school.

The program is a “transformation model” that results in the improvement of an entire school by improving academics, discipline issues and teacher/parent interaction. The seven

Covey Habits give students the skills and confidence they need to become the leaders that are needed in the 21st century.

The program takes a total of two to three years to complete. Avon Elementary is in its second year and is the last of the Avon Park schools to complete the program.

Marathon invites stopped runners to return

BOSTON (AP) — Boston Marathon runners who were stopped on the course when bombs went off at the finish line will have a chance to come back and run again next year, race organizers said on Thursday.

One month and one day after the April 15 explosions that killed three people and wounded hundreds more, the Boston Athletic Association said that 5,633 people who were stopped on the second half of the course when the race was shut down at 2:50 p.m. will be allowed to register early for next year’s race.

“The opportunity to run down Boylston Street and to cross the finish line amid thousands of spectators is a significant part of the entire Boston Marathon experience,” B.A.A. executive director Tom Grilk said. “With the opportunity to return and participate in 2014, we look forward to inviting back these athletes.”

The B.A.A. said runners who passed the halfway checkpoint at 13.1 miles but hadn’t reached the finish line will get a code to register in August; regular registration is scheduled to begin in September. Runners will be required to pay the entry fee — the amount hasn’t been determined yet — but they will not have to re-qualify by running another marathon in a given time.

Community Briefs

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APHS cheerleaders plan clinic

AVON PARK — The Avon Park High School 2013-14 cheerleaders will hold their first fundraiser of the year from June 10-13, as they hold a cheerleading clinic for those ages 4 to eighth-grade from 8 a.m. to noon each day.

The \$40 cost includes a T-shirt as well as the opportunity to cheer at an APHS home football game in the fall. Questions may be sent to Assistant Varsity Cheer Coach Melanie Jackson by email at jacksonteacher@hotmail.com/.

Chamber will have walk/run in LP

LAKE PLACID — From about 6:30 a.m. to noon Saturday, the Lake Placid Chamber of Commerce will conduct a 5K-10K walk/run that will intermittently close Interlake Boulevard from Oak Avenue to Tangerine; Heartland Boulevard from Heartland Drive to Tangerine; and Tangerine from Interlake to Heartland Boulevard.

Traffic will be directed/detoured around the race route by Lake Placid police officers and volunteers. Local traffic will be allowed on race route pending presence of runners in

the area.

Community Sidewalk Sale, Farmers Market Saturday

SEBRING — Downtown Sebring will host its Community Sidewalk Sale and Farmers Market from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday. These fun and exciting Downtown Community Sidewalk Garage Sales, which are held one Saturday a month, are the perfect way to find bargains.

Sellers can also benefit as space will be available for vendors to reserve in order to sell merchandise in Downtown Sebring during these events.

To reserve a space, down-

load an application at www.DestinationDowntownSebring.com or contact Linda Tucker at 382-2649.

The next event will be June 15.

SFSC offers Pre-ACT Class

AVON PARK — South Florida State College is offering a Pre-ACT class at SFSC Highlands Campus, Avon Park.

The morning session covers math and the afternoon session covers language arts. Both sessions will include test taking tips. A break-out session will be held from noon to 1 p.m., with lunch on your own.

The class will be held

from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday in Building H, Room 110, on the Highlands Campus, 600 W. College Drive. The course number is (CRN 30803) and the cost for the class is \$46, which includes the book, The Real ACT 2nd edition, ISBN-13: 978-0-7689-2675-0.

Register in Building B, Highlands Campus, or at any SFSC campus or center.

For more information, contact Lauren Redick, SFSC Community Education Department, at 784-7388 or by e-mail at CommunityEducation@southflorida.edu.

Obituaries

JEANETTE SHUMAKE

Jeanette (Janet) McMullan Shumake, of Lake Placid, Fla., passed into the heavenly church on Tuesday, May 14, 2013. She was born Jan. 29, 1918 in Brunswick, Md., the only child of Bertrand and Maggie Reed McMullan. She was reared in Mt. Sidney, Va., attended Shenandoah College in Dayton, Va. and graduated from James Madison University in Harrisonburg, Va. She and her husband, Octer, owned and operated grocery and clothing stores in Mt. Sidney and Shenandoah, Va. and she later returned to teaching in Page and Augusta counties. At the Verona school, she taught fourth grade for 17

years before retiring. She and her husband traveled around the country, living in Navarre, Ohio; Springfield, Va.; Staunton, Va. and Clermont, Fla., and at age 82, finally settled in Lake Placid, Fla. Her church affiliation was with Memorial United Methodist Church in Lake Placid, where she taught Ladies Bible Class for several years. After her husband, Octer died in 2004, and daughter, Donna Harman in 2005, she moved to the Palms Estates in Lorida, until her health brought her to Rosewood Senior Care and to Southern Lifestyle Assisted Living in Lake Placid.

She is survived by her daughter, Agatha Johnson

and her husband, Harry, of Lorida, Fla.; four grandchildren, Brian Harman and Barbara McKaskle of Fort Lauderdale; Stephanie Harman of South Carolina and Edward (Susan) Pratt of Fairfax, Va.; six great-grandsons and three great-granddaughters and a great-great-grandson; cousins, Colleen Long and Winifred Foley of Harrisonburg, Va.; and sister-in-law, Alleen Shumake of Staunton, Va.

A memorial service will be held at a later date at

Memorial United Methodist Church in Lake Placid, Fla. Memorials may be made to Mt. Pisgah UMC, P.O. Box 48, Mt. Sidney, VA 24467; Salem Lutheran Cemetery Fund, 417 Salem Church Road, Mt. Sidney, VA 24467 or Good Shepherd Hospice, 1110 Hammock Road, Sebring, FL 33870. Arrangements are entrusted to:

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Rogers serves up coffee and a place to meet

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was founded in 1982.

When Ferrell needed to locate a place to house artwork from elementary students who participated in a Peace of Highlands County contest by drawing about "Good Deeds," Ferrell had only one location in mind.

"Brewster's popped in my head as a venue right away," Ferrell said. "When I thought about the contest and thought about Bruce, I didn't give it a second thought. No one else even came to mind.

"I've known for some years that Bruce was a patron of the arts here in Highlands County. Bruce was quite enthusiastic about it. The artwork has been on display in Brewster's for about three weeks now and he's allowing it to stay through the end of May," Ferrell said. "Bruce is just a wonderful guy. He's great to work with and he is just a great supporter of the arts."

Art Lefkowitz is one of the coordinators for the Scribes Night Out events that take place every second and fourth Sunday at Brewster's, an event that allows local writers, poets, novelists and storytellers to showcase their written works.

Lefkowitz has been a part of the organization since its inception and recalled how the group went about deciding where to house their monthly events and meetings.

"Well, years ago when Brewster's first opened, we heard about the new coffee shop and how nice the owner was, so we just started going there. About three years ago, when we started Scribes Night Out, we just thought that Brewster's would be the best place to have it," Lefkowitz said.



Brewster's Coffee House owner Bruce Rogers sips espresso behind his counter. Rogers' advocacy for arts and cancer awareness has gained him much respect and admiration in the community.

Rogers opens the coffee shop doors to those looking for a place to share the things they love with like-minded people. Many writers and singers have performed and shared their intimate and private works in a safe, inviting place because of Rogers' altruism.

"He is really a great guy and has become a great friend. He's giving us a roof over our head for free. He allows us to use his speakers, his microphone, all of his equipment for nothing. He

constantly offers us his support and help. He's just a fun guy to know both socially and professionally," Lefkowitz said.

The coffee shop has continued to grow over the years, yet Rogers still manages to find time to volunteer at events such as Heartland Idol.

"There are days when he works just horrible hours and he's on his feet 10 or 12 hours, but he will stay open late for us," Lefkowitz said. "We try to have quick meet-

ings and get out of his hair early but he always says 'No, no you guys just keep going, take your time.'"

Rogers does more than just offer a meeting place. He sometimes offers advice, too.

"He jumps in from time to time and puts his two cents in," Lefkowitz said with a chuckle. "It's usually really great advice, to be honest. He doesn't ignore us. We aren't (just) his customers; he treats us friends and we appreciate what he does for us."

Scott urged to veto \$107 million from state budget

Associated Press

TALLAHASSEE — A Tallahassee group with close business ties is urging that Gov. Rick Scott veto more than \$100 million worth of projects included in the new state budget.

Florida TaxWatch on Thursday said it had found 107 items worth nearly \$107 million that should be considered for vetoes.

Scott has until May 24 to act on the budget and is unlikely to announce his decisions until next week.

TaxWatch officials maintain they are not questioning the merit of the projects, but that they identified spending items added with little scrutiny and outside the normal budget process.

This year TaxWatch criticized millions set aside in construction projects for colleges, including \$14 million for a building at Gulf State College and \$9 million for a lab at Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University

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Ex-death row inmates: Veto Timely Justice Act

By KELLI KENNEDY
Associated Press

MIAMI — Two former death row inmates who have since been exonerated urged Florida Gov. Rick Scott on Wednesday to veto legislation that would expedite the state's capital punishment process, worrying it will condemn some innocent men to death.

"If (this bill) had been law, it would have ended my life. I am innocent," said Seth Penalver, who was exonerated after 18 years in prison.

Penalver and Herman Lindsey, who was freed after three years on death row, pleaded with the Republican governor to grant him a meeting, saying at least 13 people currently on death row have exhausted their post-conviction appeals and gone through the clemency process. They fear that if Scott signs the Timely Justice Act, the governor could be putting innocent inmates to death without ample time and adequate assurance that they truly are guilty. The two appeared at a news conference Wednesday.

The bill, which was recently passed by the Republican-led Legislature, essentially minimizes the time between sentencing and execution by creating tighter timeframes for appeals and post-conviction motions and by imposing reporting requirements on case progress. The measure also re-establishes a separate



James Richardson became a minister while serving 21 years in Florida prison — five of them on death row — before a woman, who was baby sitting his seven children and step children, admitted that she, not Richardson, killed them by lacing their food with pesticide and he was exonerated.

agency for north Florida to provide appellate-level legal representation to inmates sentenced to death, and requires them to "pursue all possible remedies in state court."

It would also require a governor to sign a death warrant within 30 days of a State Supreme Court review of a capital conviction. The state would be required to execute the defendant within 180 days of the warrant.

The law comes as Florida's capital punishment process has come under intense scrutiny and has been

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Seth Penalver exonerated after 18 years in prison

criticized for allowing some condemned inmates to languish for decades on death row. A New York Times editorial published Tuesday said

the bill was "grotesquely named."

Florida has exonerated 24 men on death row since 1973, more than any other state, according to the Death Penalty Information Center.

Florida now has 405 inmates on death row, more than any other state except California. It takes an average of 13 years for an inmate to move from sentencing to execution.

Penalver hired a private investigator and found new evidence, which he said prosecutors had hid from him, that pointed to other

suspects. He was freed in December 2012, after "crying like a baby" and dropping to his knees in prayer in the courtroom as jurors exonerated him on three first-degree murder convictions, armed robbery and armed burglary. After 18 years in prison, the first thing he vowed to do was to find a church. It was 3:30 a.m. in downtown Fort Lauderdale, but Penalver, now 40, found a church and prayed. Then, he hit the beach, longing to see palm trees and the ocean.

Lindsey said many attorneys handling death row cases are underpaid and don't have the resources to conduct extensive investigations for new evidence.

Critics worry that DNA evidence might be introduced later that proves a condemned prisoner's innocence.

"You're willing to sign a bill for the death warrants, but you're not willing to take a look at what is really happening," Lindsey said, referring to Scott.

The governor has given little indication about where he stands on the bill, but his spokeswoman, Jackie Schutz, said Wednesday, "We want to hear from Floridians about the merits of this legislation, which our general counsel's office is currently reviewing."

Supporters of the measure say that numerous people have sat on Florida's death row for longer than 30 years,

making a mockery of the justice system and further hurting the victims' families because they have to wait for years for closure.

Mark Schlackman, senior program director for Florida State University's Center for Advancement of Human Rights, said the bill was ill-conceived but has also been mischaracterized by some advocacy groups. He said it wouldn't necessarily mean immediate death warrants for a set number of inmates.

He also said the portion of the law requiring the governor to sign a death warrant within 30 days of review is moot because the governor's clemency powers cannot be abridged.

Schlackman hopes the governor will sign the bill as a signal that the state is open to more meaningful reforms going forward, including unanimous jury legislation. Under state law, a jury now only needs a majority, not a unanimous recommendation, for a death sentence. He pressed for similar reforms that were pointed out in a scathing 2006 report by the American Bar Association.

"The concerns about undue delay in the process shouldn't be ignored but they should be cast within the larger context of comprehensive review of Florida's entire death penalty process to minimize risk that innocent people be put to death and that was not the emphasis of this bill," he said.

Council declines request to help maintain cemetery

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Nevertheless, the board now has had the operation classified as a limited liability corporation, or LLC, through the state of Florida.

Councilman Garret Anderson asked what liabilities the city might be under were it to undertake a mowing program for the site.

"Any time you own or manage a property you are going to have liabilities," City Attorney Gerald Buhr said.

"You have insurance for that, but if you start this you may be in the business of doing it."

There were concerns about the council setting precedent by agreeing to maintain private property, with Avon Park Mayor Sharon Shuler indicating similar requests have been denied in the past.

"I remember very clearly when the folks from Bougainvillea Cemetery came up here and begged us to take over the maintenance and mowing of that area," she said.

"They did it several years in a row and each time the city said 'no' and they had money to pay for it."

She agreed with others that the city should not be in the "cemetery business."

"If you talk with any of the other cities that maintain cemeteries, there is always a problem," she said.

Gray said her request to the city was a "last resort," with work days turning out fewer and fewer volunteers.

She said that getting help for the project from area churches also had not been rewarding.

A suggestion that the Southside Community Redevelopment Agency

If you talk with any of the other cities that maintain cemeteries, there is always a problem.

Sharon Shuler Avon Park mayor

might be able to help reportedly will be investigated. The question hinges on whether such a project would be allowed under the CRA's plan.

"It is the removal of slum and blight," suggested Avon Park Administrative Services Director Maria Sutherland.

Cemetery Board member and former Avon Park city councilman Aljoe Hinson suggested there might be a racial component in the decision.

"It seems as though when it belongs to black folks you struggle ...," he said.

Council members responded that their hesitation was the issue of entering into a long-term contract with a private property owner.

Former Avon Park mayor Tom Macklin offered his personal help in mowing at the site and said he would query his church about adopting a month for clean-up at the site.

"I think there still are some opportunities for the faith community to step up, even if it's the men and the youth of the church, regardless of whether they are north of Main Street or south of Cornell, which seems to be a problem we run into," he said.

Councilman Parke Sutherland doubled down on Macklin's offer, pledging to personally chip in some money if needed.

Feds propose overhaul for child care centers

By KELLI KENNEDY
Associated Press

Federal health officials say are proposing to overhaul federally funded child care centers across the country, beefing up safety standards including background and fingerprint checks for employees and requiring states to better monitor the facilities.

Roughly 1.6 million U.S. children attend child care centers on subsidies from the federal government. But health, safety and program quality requirements for those facilities vary widely and states monitor them through a patchwork of rules, according to three senior administration officials, who spoke about the proposed rules to The Associated Press on condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to speak publicly before Thursday's scheduled announcement.

The proposed changes are part of a broader agenda by President Barack Obama to ensure health and safety across all early learning environments and to improve the quality of facilities and their workers to prepare children for kindergarten.

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services officials said the rules would increase accountability among child care providers and improve transparency so parents know more about the facility their child is attending. States would have to comply with the standards to receive the federal funds.

Workers would undergo fingerprinting and background checks and be required to receive training in first aid, CPR, safe sleeping for babies and poison prevention, the officials said. The proposal also would set guidelines for transporting children in an effort to reduce the number of deaths of children left in cars.

States also would be required to conduct unannounced, in-person inspections at each child care center. States vary widely on how they monitor child care

centers, with some allowing self-certification for facilities to check off on a mailed-in form whether they have smoke detectors and safety

plans. That wouldn't fly under the new rule, the officials said.

Many parents mistakenly think their child care facilities

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By: /s/ Toni Kopp
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Prepared by:
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May 10, 17, 2013

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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. 09-CA-001138
BRANCH BANKING AND TRUST COMPANY,
Plaintiff,
v.
JAMES MITCHELL, ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER, AND AGAINST THE HEREIN NAMED INDIVIDUAL DEFENDANTS WHO ARE NOT KNOWN TO BE DEAD OR ALIVE, WHETHER SAID UNKNOWN PARTIES MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST AS SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS; TENANT #1; TENANT #2,
Defendants.

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

LOT 96, OF THE PLAT OF HIGHLAND LAKES RESERVE, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 16, AT PAGE 96, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.

and commonly known as: 2017 Overlook Bay Drive, Avon Park, FL 33825 at public sale, for cash, in the basement of the courthouse in the Jury Assembly Room, 430 S. Commerce Ave., Sebring, FL 33870, on May 30, 2013, at 11:00 A.M.

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

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

Dated this May 2, 2013.

ROBERT W. GERMAINE
Clerk of the Circuit Court
By: /s/ Toni Kopp
Deputy Clerk
May 10, 17, 2013

ROBERT W. GERMAINE
Clerk of said Circuit Court
By: /s/ Toni Kopp
As Deputy Clerk
May 10, 17, 2013

1050 Legals

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO. 11000209GCS
WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., AS SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO WACHOVIA BANK, N.A.
Plaintiff,
vs.
ALL UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, LEGATEES, DEVISEES, PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES, CREDITORS AND ANY OTHER PERSON CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST DARVILLE W. MCLEMORE, JR. A/K/A DARVILLE W. MCLEMORE, DECEASED, ET AL.
Defendants.

NOTICE OF ACTION
To the following Defendant(s):
ALL UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, LEGATEES, DEVISEES, PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES, CREDITORS AND ANY OTHER PERSON CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST DARVILLE W. MCLEMORE, JR. A/K/A DARVILLE W. MCLEMORE A/K/A DARVILLE W. MCLEMORE (RESIDENCE UNKNOWN)
YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for Foreclosure of Mortgage on the following described property:
LOT 10, BLOCK 2, ERIN PARK, ACCORDING TO THE MAP OR PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 5, PAGE 77, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.
a/k/a 1405 KILLARNEY DRIVE, SEBRING, FLORIDA 33870
has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it, on Moskowitz, Mandell, Salim & Simowitz, P.A., Attorney for Plaintiff, whose address is 800 Corporate Drive, Suite 500, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33334 on or before June 18, 2013, a date which is within thirty (30) days after the first publication of this Notice in THE NEWS SUN and file the original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint.

If you are a person with a disability who needs assistance in order to participate in a program or service of the State Courts System, you should contact the Office of the Court Administrator at (863) 534-4686 (voice), (863) 534-7777 (TDD) or (800) 955-8770 (Florida Relay Service), as much in advance of your court appearance or visit to the courthouse as possible.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of this Court this 10th day of May, 2013.

As Clerk of the Court
By: /s/ Toni Kopp
As Deputy Clerk
May 17, 24, 2013

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 2012-258 GCS
DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE FOR THE REGISTERED HOLDERS OF MORGAN STANLEY ABS CAPITAL I INC. TRUST 2007-NC3 MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-NC3,
Plaintiff,
vs.
OMAYRA A. TORRES;
Defendant.

NOTICE OF SALE
PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Summary Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated May 1st, 2013, and entered in Case No. 2012-258 GCS of the Circuit Court of the 10th Judicial Circuit in and for Highlands County, Florida, wherein DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE FOR THE REGISTERED HOLDERS OF MORGAN STANLEY ABS CAPITAL I INC. TRUST 2007-NC3 MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-NC3, is Plaintiff and Omayra A. Torres, are Defendants, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash in the Jury Assembly Room, Basement 430 South Commerce Avenue, Sebring, FL at 11:00 o'clock A.M. on the 30th day of May, 2013, the following described property as set forth in said Summary Final Judgment, to-wit:

Unit	Weeks
02	13
05	01, 02
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12	23
13	04

Unit Numbers and Week Numbers in HARDER HALL RESORT CLUB, LAKESIDE II, A Condominium, according to the Declaration of Condominium thereof, as recorded in Official Records Book 804, Page 0082, in the Public Records of Highlands County, Florida.

Unit
15 05
19 12
20 02
24 14

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defense, if any, on the Plaintiff's attorney, to-wit:
ROBERT E. KRAMER, ESQUIRE
555 West Granada Boulevard, Suite A-9
Ormond Beach, FL 32174
U.S.A.

and file the original with the Clerk of the above styled Court on or before June 18, 2013, otherwise a default judgment may be entered against you for the relief sought in the Complaint to foreclose the Claim of Lien held by the Plaintiffs.

WITNESS MY HAND AND OFFICIAL SEAL of this Court, this 13th day of May, 2013.

ROBERT W. GERMAINE, CLERK
HIGHLANDS COUNTY
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
By: /s/ Toni Kopp
Deputy Clerk
May 17, 24, 2013

ROBERT W. GERMAINE, CLERK
By: /s/ Toni Kopp
Deputy Clerk

1050 Legals

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 2013-300-GCS
DIVISION:
HARDER HALL RESORT CLUB, LAKESIDE CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, INC.,
Plaintiff,
vs.
DOLORES C. ASTI, et al,
Defendants.

NOTICE OF ACTION
TO:
Ast, Dolores C.
2710 Del Prado Blvd S #2-33
Cape Coral, FL 33904
Canada

Cawley, Donald
3643 Lakewood Road
Sebring, FL 33875

M A Rogers Family Holdings, LLC
13503 SE 268th Street
Campton, NH 03223

Streck, Joseph E. and
Mary Ann Streck
2710 Del Prado Blvd S #2-33
Cape Coral, FL 33904

Williams, Bobby R. and
Nina M. Williams
3700 Bridgewater Road, Apt. P12
Columbus, GA 31909

Earl, Marvin I. and
Luella W. Earl
13503 SE 268th Street
Kent, WA 98042

Morris, Robert W. and
Eva E. Morris
1804 Pine Log Road
Aiken, SC 29803

Kenney, Mary R.
RR1 Box 221C
Springville, PA 18844

Vacation Solutions, LLC
1350 17th Street, Suite 101
Denver, CO 80202
OR
PO Box 412
Gaittinsburg, TN 37738

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose the Claim of Lien on the following described real property, located in Highlands County, Florida, to-wit:
Unit Numbers and Week Numbers in HARDER HALL RESORT CLUB, LAKESIDE II, A Condominium, according to the Declaration of Condominium thereof, as recorded in Official Records Book 804, Page 0082, in the Public Records of Highlands County, Florida.

Unit
15 05
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has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defense, if any, on the Plaintiff's attorney, to-wit:
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555 West Granada Boulevard, Suite A-9
Ormond Beach, FL 32174
U.S.A.

and file the original with the Clerk of the above styled Court on or before June 18, 2013, otherwise a default judgment may be entered against you for the relief sought in the Complaint to foreclose the Claim of Lien held by the Plaintiffs.

WITNESS MY HAND AND OFFICIAL SEAL of this Court, this 13th day of May, 2013.

ROBERT W. GERMAINE, CLERK
HIGHLANDS COUNTY
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
By: /s/ Toni Kopp
Deputy Clerk
May 17, 24, 2013

ROBERT W. GERMAINE, CLERK
By: /s/ Toni Kopp
Deputy Clerk

1050 Legals

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA
CIVIL ACTION
CASE NO.: 2009-001624
DIVISION:
HSBC MORTGAGE SERVICES, INC.,
Plaintiff,
vs.
CRAIG COUCH, et al,
Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN Pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated May 1st, 2013, and entered in Case No. 2009-001624 of the Circuit Court of the Tenth Judicial Circuit in and for Highlands County, Florida in which HSBC Mortgage Services, Inc., is the Plaintiff and Craig Couch, Kimberly Couch, Accredited Home Lenders, Inc., American General Financial Services, Inc., Carmel Financial Corporation, Inc., Highlands County, Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Accredited Home Lenders, Inc., are defendants, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash in/on the Jury Assembly Room in the basement, Highlands County Courthouse, 430 South Commerce Avenue, Sebring, FL 33870, Highlands County, Florida at 11:00AM on the 30th day of May, 2013, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment of Foreclosure:
LOTS 17 AND 18, BLOCK 3, LAKE JOSEPHINE HEIGHTS 2ND ADDITION, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 7, PAGE 2, PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.
A/K/A 128 ROSEMARY AVENUE, SEBRING, FL 33875

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the Lis Pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale.
Dated in Highlands County, Florida this 2nd day of May, 2013.

Clerk of the Circuit Court
Highlands County, Florida
By: /s/ Toni Kopp
Deputy Clerk

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If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the Office of the Court Administrator, (863) 534-4690, within two (2) working days of your receipt of this (describe notice); if you are hearing or voice impaired, call TDD (863) 534-7777 of Florida Relay Service 711. To file response please contact Highlands County Clerk of Court, 590 S. Commerce Ave., Sebring, FL 33870-3867, Tel: (863) 402-6591; Fax: (863) 402-6664.
May 10, 17, 2013

ROBERT W. GERMAINE, CLERK
By: /s/ Toni Kopp
Deputy Clerk

1050 Legals

IN THE CIRCUIT CIVIL COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY CIVIL DIVISION
CASE NO.: 28-2010-CA-000399
Division
U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR CSMC MORTGAGE-BACKED PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-8
Plaintiff,
vs.
JEFFREY W. CHUDOBA, AS PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ESTATE OF STELLA D. LUNDBERGH, DECEASED, ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER, AND AGAINST THE HEREIN NAMED INDIVIDUAL DEFENDANT(S) WHO ARE NOT KNOWN TO BE DEAD OR ALIVE, WHETHER SAID UNKNOWN PARTIES MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST AS SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES OR OTHER CLAIMANTS, THE BLUFFS OF SEBRING CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, INC., THOMAS J. CHUDOBA, WILLIAM R. CHUDOBA, JEFFREY W. CHUDOBA, 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 30, 2013, in the Circuit Court of HIGHLANDS County, Florida, I will sell the property situated in Highlands County, Florida described as:

UNIT C-21, THE BLUFFS OF SEBRING CONDOMINIUM, PHASE II, BLDG H + INT IN COMMON ELEMENTS, ACCORDING TO THE DECLARATION OF CONDOMINIUM AS RECORDED IN O.R. BOOK 849, PAGE 363 AND AMENDED IN O.R. BOOK 883, PAGE 323; O.R. BOOK 916, PAGE 579 AND AS AMENDED IN O.R. BOOK 916, PAGE 581; AND AMENDED IN O.R. BOOK 934, PAGE 293; AND AMENDED IN O.R. BOOK 934, PAGE 738 AND AMENDED IN O.R. BOOK 952, PAGE 222 AND AMENDED IN O.R. BOOK 952, PAGE 229, AND AMENDED IN O.R. BOOK 958, PAGE 456; AND AMENDED IN O.R. BOOK 967, PAGE 486; AND AS AMENDED IN O.R. BOOK 972, PAGE 99, AND AS AMENDED IN O.R. BOOK 973, PAGE 510; AND AS AMENDED IN O.R. BOOK 985, PAGE 34; AND AS AMENDED IN O.R. BOOK 990, PAGE 309; AND AS AMENDED IN O.R. BOOK 1028, PAGE 272; AND AS AMENDED IN O.R. BOOK 1053, PAGE 192 AND AS AMENDED IN O.R. BOOK 1130, PAGE 1768; AND AS AMENDED IN O.R. BOOK 1209, PAGE 412, AND AS AMENDED IN O.R. BOOK 1213, PAGE 52, AND AS AMENDED IN O.R. BOOK 1281, PAGE 64; AND AS AMENDED IN O.R. BOOK 1356, PAGE 1552; AND AS AMENDED IN O.R. BOOK 1365, PAGE 1473; AND AS AMENDED IN O.R. BOOK 1398, PAGE 1158; AND AS AMENDED IN O.R. BOOK 1596, PAGE 287; ALL IN THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA and commonly known as 6750 US 27 N., UNIT C-21, SEBRING, FL 33870; including the building, appurtenances, and fixtures located therein, at public sale, to the highest and best bidder, for cash, Sales are held in the Jury Assembly Room in the basement of the Highlands County Courthouse located at 430 S. Commerce Avenue, Sebring, Florida 33870, on May 29, 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 1st day of May, 2013.

Clerk of the Circuit Court
ROBERT W. GERMAINE
By: /s/ Toni Kopp
Deputy Clerk
May 10, 17, 2013

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AO-10-65417

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May 17, 24, 2013

ROBERT W. GERMAINE, CLERK
By: /s/ Toni Kopp
Deputy Clerk

1050 Legals

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA
CIVIL ACTION
CASE NO.: 28-2011-CA-000856
DIVISION:
PHH MORTGAGE CORPORATION,
Plaintiff,
vs.
KATHERINE E. SMITH A/K/A KATHERINE E. GARCIA, et al,
Defendants).

NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN Pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated May 1, 2013, and entered in Case No. 28-2011-CA-000856 of the Circuit Court of the Tenth Judicial Circuit in and for Highlands County, Florida in which PHH Mortgage Corporation, is the Plaintiff and Katherine E. Smith a/k/a Katherine E. Garcia, Tim W. Smith, Sebring Ridge Property Owners Association, Inc., are defendants, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash in/on the Jury Assembly Room in the basement, Highlands County Courthouse, 430 South Commerce Avenue, Sebring, FL 33870, Highlands County, Florida at 11:00AM on the 9th day of July, 2013, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment of Foreclosure:
LOT 3, BLOCK 5, SEBRING RIDGE SECTION G, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 12, PAGE 28, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.
A/K/A 4216 SHAD DR., SEBRING, FL 33870
Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the Lis Pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale.
Dated in Highlands County, Florida this 2nd day of May, 2013.

Clerk of the Circuit Court
Highlands County, Florida
By: /s/ Toni Kopp
Deputy Clerk

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May 17, 24, 2013

ROBERT W. GERMAINE, CLERK
By: /s/ Toni Kopp
Deputy Clerk

1050 Legals

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA
CIVIL ACTION
CASE NO.: 28-2012-CA-000846
DIVISION:
HSBC BANK USA, N.A.,
Plaintiff,
vs.
ROBERT K. HARBAUGH, et al,
Defendants).

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Mortgage Foreclosure dated May 02, 2013 and entered in Case No. 28-2012-CA-000846 of the Circuit Court of the Tenth Judicial Circuit in and for HIGHLANDS County, Florida wherein HSBC BANK USA, N.A. is the Plaintiff and ROBERT K. HARBAUGH, JALENE J. HARBAUGH, are the Defendants, The Clerk of the Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at JURY ASSEMBLY ROOM IN THE BASEMENT OF THE HIGHLANDS COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 430 SOUTH COMMERCE AVENUE at 11:00 AM, on the 3rd day of June, 2013, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment:
LOT 33, BLOCK 231, OF SUN N LAKES ESTATES, SECTION 19, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 8, PAGE 88, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.
A/K/A 866 LAKE BETTY DRIVE, LAKE PLACID, FL 33852
Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the Lis Pendens must file a claim within sixty (60) days after the sale
WITNESS MY HAND and the seal of the Court on May 2, 2013.

ROBERT W. GERMAINE
Clerk of the Circuit Court
By: /s/ Toni Kopp
Deputy Clerk
Ronald R Wolfe & Associates, P.L.

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In accordance with the Americans Disabilities Act, persons with disabilities needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact the individual or agency sending the notice at Echevarria & Associates, P.A., P.O. Box 25018, Tampa, FL 33622-5018, telephone (813) 251-4766, not later than seven (7) days prior to the proceeding. If hearing impaired, (TDD) 1-800-955-8771, or voice (V) 1-800-955-8770, via Florida Relay Service.

May 10, 17, 2013

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL ACTION CASE NO.: 28-2011-CA-000614 DIVISION:

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A., Plaintiff, vs. SUTHIDA L. KENNEDY, et al, Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Mortgage Foreclosure dated May 02, 2013 and entered in Case No. 28-2011-CA-000614 of the Circuit Court of the Tenth Judicial Circuit in and for HIGHLANDS County, Florida wherein JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A. is the Plaintiff and SUTHIDA L. KENNEDY; DEBRICK C. KENNEDY; are the Defendants, The Clerk of the Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at JURY ASSEMBLY ROOM IN THE BASEMENT OF THE HIGHLANDS COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 430 SOUTH COMMERCE AVENUE at 11:00 AM, on the 30th day of May, 2013, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment:

LOT 3, BLOCK 4, SEBRING SHORES DEVELOPMENT SECTION 2, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 7, PAGE 30, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.

A/K/A 108 SPRINGDALE ROAD, SEBRING, FL 33870

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the Lis Pendens must file a claim within sixty (60) days after the sale

WITNESS MY HAND and the seal of the Court on May 2, 2013.

ROBERT W. GERMAINE
Clerk of the Circuit Court
By: /s/ Toni Kopp
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May 10, 17, 2013

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL ACTION CASE NO.: 28-2012-CA-000815 DIVISION:

WELLS FARGO BANK, NA, Plaintiff, vs. JOSE PRADO, et al, Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Mortgage Foreclosure dated May 02, 2013 and entered in Case No. 28-2012-CA-000815 of the Circuit Court of the Tenth Judicial Circuit in and for HIGHLANDS County, Florida wherein WELLS FARGO BANK, NA is the Plaintiff and JOSE G. PRADO A/K/A JOSE PRADO; SHERRI PRADO; WELLS FARGO BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO WACHOVIA BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION; are the Defendants, The Clerk of the Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at JURY ASSEMBLY ROOM IN THE BASEMENT OF THE HIGHLANDS COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 430 SOUTH COMMERCE AVENUE at 11:00 AM, on the 3rd day of June, 2013, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment:

LOTS 1 AND 2, BLOCK 2, AVON PARK LAKES RED HILL FARMS ADDITION UNIT L, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 5, PAGE 68, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.

A/K/A 2301 W HAVILAND ROAD, AVON PARK, FL 33825-9157

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the Lis Pendens must file a claim within sixty (60) days after the sale

WITNESS MY HAND and the seal of the Court on May 2, 2013.

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

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May 10, 17, 2013

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION FILE NO. PC 13 181 Division Probate

IN RE: ESTATE OF LAURA L. SMITH Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
The administration of the estate of Laura L. Smith, deceased, whose date of death was July 21, 2012, is pending in the Circuit Court for Highlands County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 430 South Commerce Avenue, Sebring, FL 33870. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

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

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

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

The date of first publication of this Notice is May 17, 2013.

Personal Representative:
Richard L. Smith
118 Rhapsody Court
Lake Placid, Florida 33852

Attorney for Personal Representative:
Catherine E. Davey
Attorney for Richard L. Smith
Florida Bar Number: 0991724
Post Office Box 941251
Maitland, FL 32794-1251
Telephone: (407) 645-4833
Fax: (407) 645-4832
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May 17, 24, 2013

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT
FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROBATE DIVISION
FILE NO. PC 13-169
Division

IN RE: ESTATE OF
DOROTHY KENT DYAL
a/k/a DOROTHY K. DYAL
Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of Dorothy Kent Dyal a/k/a Dorothy K. Dyal, deceased, whose date of death was March 18, 2013, is pending in the Circuit Court for Highlands County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 590 South Commerce Avenue, Sebring, FL 33870. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

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

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The date of first publication of this Notice is May 10, 2013.

Personal Representative:
Margaret L. Scholtz
4209 W Virginia Avenue
Tampa, FL 33614

BREED & NUNNALLEE, P.A.
Attorneys for Personal Representative
325 NORTH COMMERCIAL AVENUE
SEBRING, FL 33870
Telephone: (863) 382-3154
By: /s/ E. Mark Breed III
Florida Bar No. 338702
E-mail Address: service@bnpalaw.com

May 10, 17, 2013

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT
FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROBATE DIVISION
FILE NO. PC 13-96
Division

IN RE: ESTATE OF
JERRY P. SHIFFLETT
Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of Jerry P. Shifflett, deceased, whose date of death was September 09th, 2012, 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 representatives and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

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

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The date of first publication of this Notice is May 17th, 2013.

Personal Representative:
Teresa L. Baker
6725 Loco Lane
Sandston, VA 23150

Mary J. Cole
1376 Burning Tree Road
Henrico, VA 23231

SHEEHAN & CELAYA, P.A.
Attorneys for Personal Representatives
300 DAL HALL BLVD.
LAKE PLACID, FL 33852
Telephone: (863)465-1551
Florida Bar No. 184165
E-Mail Address: tim@sqjuris.com

May 17, 24, 2013

Notice is hereby given that the following vehicles will be sold at public auction pursuant to F.S. 713.585 on the sale dates at the locations below at 9:00 a.m. to satisfy labor and storage charges. 2003 Dodge 1B3E526XC0179336 Total Lien: \$488.32 Sale Date:06/03/2013 Location:64 West Collision Repair, Inc 2215 S.R. 64 West Avon Park, FL 33825 863-453-5445 Pursuant to F.S. 713.585 the cash amount per vehicle would be sufficient to redeem that vehicle from the lien. Any interested party has a right to a hearing prior to the sale by filing a demand for the hearing with the Clerk of the Circuit Court in Highlands and mailing copies of the same to all owners and lienors. The owner/lienholder has a right to recover possession of the vehicle by posting bond pursuant to F.S. 559.917 and if sold any proceeds remaining from the sale will be deposited with the Clerk of Circuit Court for disposition.

May 17, 2013

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE: CITY TOWING OF SEBRING gives Notice of Foreclosure of Lien and intent to sell these vehicles on 05/29/2013, 09:00 am at 280 S Avon Way, Avon Park, FL 33825, pursuant to subsection 713.78 of the Florida Statutes. CITY TOWING OF SEBRING reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all bids.

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May 17, 2013

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FOR TOWING & STORAGE
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AT PRECISION AUTO BODY
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May 17, 2013

1050 Legals

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT
OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT,
IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO. 28-2013-CA-000094
NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE, LLC,
PLAINTIFF,
VS.

JUSTIN L. BEUKELMAN A/K/A JUSTIN LANE
BEUKELMAN, ET AL.
DEFENDANT(S).

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated May 2, 2013, in the above action, I will sell to the highest bidder for cash at Highlands, Florida, on May 30, 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:

Condominium Unit No. 12, of Lakeview Villas Condominium, a Condominium, according to the Declaration thereof, as recorded in Official Records Book 649, a Page 732, 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 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: MAY 2, 2013.

ROBERT W. GERMAINE, CLERK
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

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May 10, 17, 2013

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TODAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY
Mostly sunny and more humid	An afternoon thunderstorm in spots	A thunderstorm in the afternoon	An afternoon thunderstorm possible	Partly sunny, a t-storm possible
90° / 67°	90° / 66°	91° / 67°	92° / 67°	91° / 67°
Winds: SSE at 4-8 mph	Winds: WSW at 4-8 mph	Winds: ESE at 3-6 mph	Winds: ESE at 3-6 mph	Winds: E at 4-8 mph

Almanac

Temperature Readings at Apalachicola Biological Station in Lake Placid

High Sunday	89°
Low Sunday	61°
High Monday	86°
Low Monday	49°
High Tuesday	87°
Low Tuesday	42°
High Wednesday	86°
Low Wednesday	50°

Heat Index For 3 p.m. today

Relative humidity	30%
Expected air temperature	89°
Makes it feel like	90°

Barameter

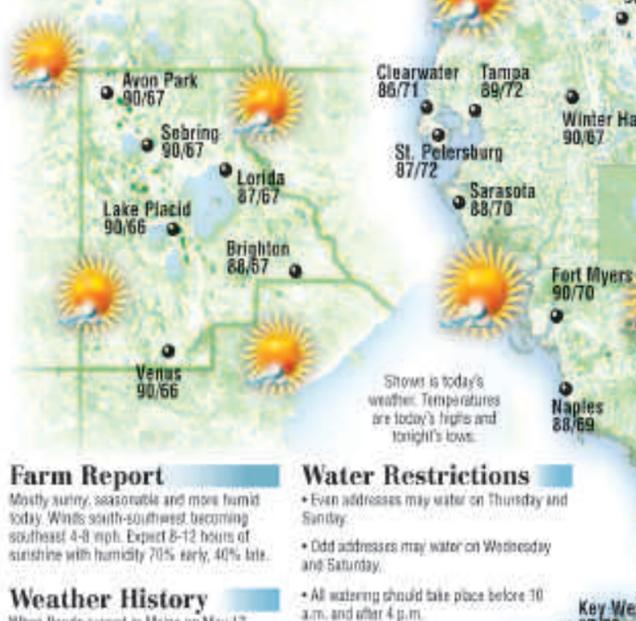
Monday	30.16
Tuesday	30.17
Wednesday	30.09

Precipitation

Monday	0.00"
Tuesday	0.00"
Wednesday	0.00"
Month to date	2.56"
Year to date	10.84"

Regional Summary

Mostly sunny, seasonably warm and more humid today. Partly cloudy tonight. Partly sunny, warm and humid tomorrow with widely separated thunderstorms in the afternoon.



Tides

Readings at St. Petersburg

High	9:17 a.m.
Low	2:06 a.m.
High	2:18 p.m.
Low	1:49 p.m.

Readings at Palm Beach

High	2:11 a.m.
Low	8:11 a.m.
High	2:30 p.m.
Low	8:29 p.m.

Lake Levels

Readings as of 7 a.m. yesterday

Lake Jackson	78.36'
Lake Okechobee	13.51'
Normal	14.51'

UV Index Today

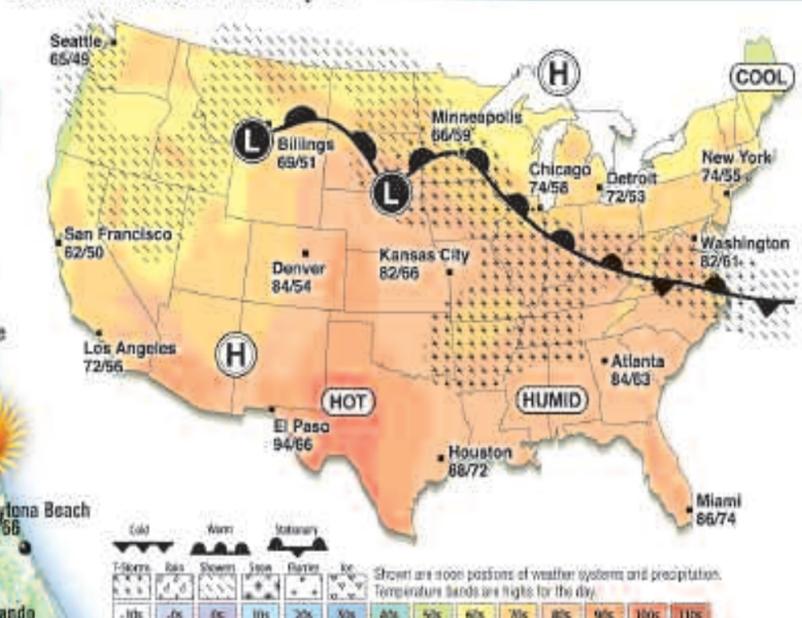
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National Forecast for May 17



National Summary

Cooler and drier weather will settle into the Northeast today in the wake of a cold front, but more showers and thunderstorms will blossom across the Ohio Valley and into the Southeast. Showers and thunderstorms will be found from North Carolina into Kentucky and northern Alabama and Mississippi. Farther north, showers and thunderstorms will also develop across much of Illinois and Missouri into Iowa, Minnesota and Wisconsin. Very hot weather will grip much of Texas, western Oklahoma and Kansas.

U.S. Cities

City	Today	Sat.	Sun.	City	Today	Sat.	Sun.
Albuquerque	88/57pc	83/65h	80/54h	Los Angeles	72/56h	74/55pc	76/57pc
Atlanta	84/63h	84/67h	83/61h	Louisville	60/60h	62/61h	65/67h
Baltimore	70/54pc	74/56h	68/56h	Memphis	60/70h	63/71pc	61/71pc
Birmingham	83/66h	85/67h	85/67pc	Minneapolis	64/51h	66/50pc	69/55pc
Boston	66/53pc	66/50h	66/51h	Missouri	66/59h	62/64h	62/67h
Charlotte	87/61h	84/65h	80/65h	Nashville	82/60h	81/66h	86/66h
Chicago	84/51pc	78/47h	72/40pc	New Orleans	84/70pc	86/69h	86/70pc
Denver	74/58h	76/58pc	82/62pc	New York City	74/55h	74/57h	68/58h
Detroit	72/55pc	74/55h	71/54h	Norfolk	79/61h	77/60h	76/60h
Fort Worth	78/60h	79/63h	79/61h	Oklahoma City	84/70h	83/70pc	80/68h
Houston	88/72pc	89/71pc	92/73h	Philadelphia	77/55h	78/58pc	70/58h
Indianapolis	80/62h	80/62h	80/64h	Phoenix	96/73h	92/70h	93/71h
Jackson, MS	84/70h	86/69h	90/67h	Pittsburgh	78/56pc	77/58h	74/58h
Kansas City	82/66h	86/69pc	80/68h	Portland, ME	68/43pc	64/44pc	59/42pc
Las Vegas	83/62h	79/62h	80/61h	Portland, OH	65/50pc	62/50h	63/44h
Little Rock	88/67h	85/65pc	82/66pc	Raleigh	87/62h	85/63h	80/61h
Los Angeles	72/56h	74/55pc	76/57pc	Rochester	69/47h	73/48pc	70/53pc
Los Angeles	72/56h	74/55pc	76/57pc	St. Louis	86/69h	86/69h	90/71pc
Los Angeles	72/56h	74/55pc	76/57pc	Salt Lake City	62/51pc	66/51pc	70/51pc
Los Angeles	72/56h	74/55pc	76/57pc	San Francisco	62/51pc	66/51pc	70/51pc
Los Angeles	72/56h	74/55pc	76/57pc	Seattle	65/49pc	60/49h	61/45h
Los Angeles	72/56h	74/55pc	76/57pc	Wash., DC	62/61pc	77/61h	89/61h

World Cities

City	Today	Sat.	Sun.	City	Today	Sat.	Sun.
Annapolis	80/76h	80/75pc	83/72pc	London	56/43pc	55/46h	64/52h
Atlanta	84/63h	84/67h	83/61h	Montreal	64/43pc	70/46h	73/52h
Bahia	77/66h	82/66pc	80/66h	Moscow	76/61h	76/60pc	72/45h
Bangkok	74/61h	74/61h	79/65h	Nice	68/53pc	65/56h	65/52pc
Buenos Aires	74/68h	74/67pc	75/64h	Osaka	68/43pc	74/46h	77/48pc
Calgary	65/42h	66/45h	64/41h	Quebec	58/41h	64/41h	75/46pc
Dublin	54/40h	54/40h	57/47pc	Rio de Janeiro	73/69h	78/69h	80/68pc
Edmonton	66/42h	73/45h	65/42pc	Seoul	81/61pc	73/61pc	73/58h
Fredericton	64/73h	63/73pc	63/74pc	Singapore	91/79h	92/79h	91/78h
Geneva	62/41h	61/46h	58/38h	Sydney	69/45pc	67/45h	65/42h
Hankou	82/60h	81/60pc	80/61h	Toronto	64/47h	69/50pc	71/52pc
Hong Kong	80/74h	80/73h	81/79h	Vancouver	62/51pc	59/49h	61/48h
Jakarta	73/60h	66/62h	67/60h	Vienna	71/56h	75/51pc	81/53h
Johannesburg	69/46pc	62/45pc	61/45pc	Warsaw	74/58h	79/53h	80/57pc
Kiev	74/59h	83/60pc	85/62h	Winnipeg	69/49h	66/54h	68/53h

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News-Sun photo by DAN HOEHNE
Jair Watson fires downfield during spring practice Wednesday as the Blue Streaks get set for their annual Blue and White game and Barbecue tonight at Firemen's Field.

Streaks snap into Spring

By DAN HOEHNE

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SEBRING — Spring, a time of renewal, where seeds planted are hoped to flourish.

Such is the time and scenario for high school football teams throughout the state.

Perhaps some fresh new faces coming up from the junior varsity level to take their chance at cracking the varsity line-up.

Often, it is a matter of a new offensive scheme, or set of plays, that even returning veterans need to get familiar and comfortable with.

And above all else, it gives the players the chance to get ready in the relatively cooler conditions — a far cry from the brutal, dog days of the late-summer practice season.

And so the Blue Streaks were on Firemen's Field Wednesday afternoon, continuing their spring practice schedule and getting set for tonight's Blue and White game at

6:30 p.m., along with the 3rd Annual Spring Football BBQ preceding the game from 4-6 p.m.

And at this stage of the proceedings, the usual stations of drills, from tackling to blocking to pass patterns, are at a minimum as the team gets itself fully familiar and fluid with the play calls.

Two sets of offenses running through plays, with quarterback hopefuls Jair Watson and Connor Cook leading their respective squads.

A few rounds of plays to get the timing down, and then full speed and virtually full contact against a defense.

After the battle for in-team bragging rights tonight, the Streaks will practice for another week before facing Avon Park in the Spring Game to close out this season of preparation.

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News-Sun photo by DAN HOEHNE
Head coach LaVaar Scott overlooks Wednesday's practice as his squad gets familiar with the plays they will be running tonight, as well as in the upcoming fall season.

The Golden Years

Retirement.

I guess it happens in every man's life, or at least if you're lucky enough to make it to retirement age.

In my case, after working in the corporate world for the last 45 years, I'm finally hanging up my suits and putting the briefcase away to enter a new phase in my life.

I've dreamed of this day for a long time — being able to go fishing whenever I want, working around the house and finally getting around to some of my wife's "honey-lists" and finally having time to work on my many hobbies.

The good news is I'll finally be able to take guide trips during the week.

As many of you know, my guide fishing trips have been pretty much limited to fishing on the weekend, with a few exceptions.

Now, instead of referring folks to other guides that are able to fish Monday through Friday, I can schedule trips any day of the week.

Not to mention the fact that I can pick and choose the days I want to fish, based on the weather.

It's always been tough watching the weather channel and seeing the perfect days — days with light winds, minimal chance of rain or days just before a cold front — and not being able to go fishing.

I can also extend my fishing area to include places like the Stick Marsh, the Everglades and the phenomenal fishing in the canal system in Ft. Lauderdale and Miami.

Trips to Santee-Cooper, Lake Fork and Toledo Bend are also on the horizon.

Expanding my custom rod building business is also something I'll have time for.

I've been building rods for over 30 years, but it's always been challenging try-



Fishin' Around...

Don Norton

ing to combine this small business with a full-time job.

Over the years, I've tied flies, poured jugs and spinnerbaits and worked on a number of prototypes for different lures.

With time on my hands, I can finally get back into the many hobbies I've been forced to shelve over the years.

And finally, I'll have time to finish a book I've been working on for the last 15 years.

I've started and stopped, edited and re-written, and all but started over a dozen times on this manuscript, only to reach those "writer-block" periods where I put it away and forget about it.

Like all "want-to-be writers," I think the book will be a best seller, at least with fishermen and women who are passionate about bass fishing.

The name of the book is "Queenie, The Legend of Lake Okeechobee."

I'm sure you can figure out from the title, the story is about a legendary largemouth bass.

In the past, I've also written articles for a number of fishing publications, which I hope to continue, as well as my weekly column with the News-Sun.

Although I've had no real formal training, I've always enjoyed writing and my col-

See NORTON, Page B3

Orb to have an inside view of Preakness from rail



MCT photo
Trainer Shug McGaughey leads Kentucky Derby winner Orb at Pimlico Race Course in Baltimore, Maryland, Tuesday, May 14. The 138th running of the Preakness Stakes is Saturday.

By DAVID GINSBURG
Associated Press

BALTIMORE — For a while there, it looked as if the Preakness was shaping up to be a runaway victory for Kentucky Derby winner Orb.

Then came the post-position draw. Suddenly things got very interesting.

Orb's pursuit of the Triple Crown received an unexpected jolt Wednesday when trainer Shug McGaughey's horse drew the rail for Saturday's race.

McGaughey tried to brush off the development as a mere inconvenience, but he couldn't entirely mask his disappointment over starting inside eight other horses in the smallest Preakness field since 2007.

"Obviously, if I was going to pick it out, I wouldn't have picked the 1," McGaughey said. "But with only nine horses in there to run a mile and three-sixteenths, with a rider like Joel (Rosario), he's going to figure out what to do. He'll have him in the right spot."

That's the plan.

Yet, if Orb doesn't get in front early, he risks becoming pinned on the rail or pushed to the back of the field.

The inside post is even worse in the Derby, where this year there were 19 horses

in the field.

"If it had come out the 1 in the Derby, you'd almost have felt like you needed to go home," McGaughey said. "But I don't feel that way here."

Still, history suggests Orb's advantage in this race has dwindled, even though he was made the even-money favorite in the morning line.

Only twice since 1950 has a horse won from the No. 1 post — Bally Ache in 1960 and Tabasco Cat in 1994.

So the rest of the field has a little bit more hope than it did before Orb got stuck on the rail.

"Out of the nine numbers, the 1 is probably the one you want the least," said Al Stall Jr., the trainer of Departing.

Mylute, who will start from the No. 5 post as the second-favorite at 5-1, trailed Orb for much of the race in Kentucky.

This race could develop quite differently with Orb inside.

"We need to make up three or four lengths, and that may be one of the factors that helps us," said Todd Quast, general manager of GoldMark Farm, co-owner of the Derby's fifth-place finisher.

See ORB, Page B4

Heat dispatch Bulls, move to conference finals



MCT photo
Dwyane Wade came up big late as the Heat advanced over an undermanned but pesky Bulls team with Wednesday's 94-91 win. Miami advances to the Eastern Conference Finals where they will face the winner of the Indiana Pacers-New York Knicks series. See page B4 for a recap of the Wednesday win.

THE SCOREBOARD

NBA Playoffs

CONFERENCE SEMIFINALS
(Best-of-7)
(x-if necessary)
EASTERN CONFERENCE
Miami 4, Chicago 1
Monday, May 6: Chicago 93, Miami 86
Wednesday, May 8: Miami 115, Chicago 78
Friday, May 10: Miami 104, Chicago 94
Monday, May 13: Miami 88, Chicago 65
Wednesday, May 15: Miami 94, Chicago 91

Indiana 3, New York 1
Sunday, May 5: Indiana 102, New York 95
Tuesday, May 7: New York 105, Indiana 79
Saturday, May 11: Indiana 82, New York 71
Tuesday, May 14: Indiana 93, New York 82
Thursday, May 16: Indiana at New York, late
x-Saturday, May 18: New York at Indiana, 8 p.m.
x-Monday, May 20: Indiana at New York, 8 p.m.

WESTERN CONFERENCE
San Antonio 3, Golden State 2
Monday, May 6: San Antonio 129, Golden State 127, 2OT
Wednesday, May 8: Golden St. 100, San Antonio 91
Friday, May 10: San Antonio 102, Golden State 92
Sunday, May 12: Golden State 97, San Antonio 87, OT
Tuesday, May 14: San Antonio 109, Golden State 91
Thursday, May 16: San Antonio at Golden State, late
x-Sunday, May 19: Golden State at San Antonio, TBA

Memphis 4, Oklahoma City 1
Sunday, May 5: Oklahoma City 93, Memphis 91
Tuesday, May 7: Memphis 99, Oklahoma City 93
Saturday, May 11: Memphis 87, Oklahoma City 81
Monday, May 13: Memphis 103, Oklahoma City 97, OT
Wednesday, May 15: Memphis 88, Oklahoma City 84

NHL Playoffs

CONFERENCE SEMIFINALS
(Best-of-7)
(x-if necessary)
EASTERN CONFERENCE
Pittsburgh 1, Ottawa 0
Tuesday, May 14: Pittsburgh 4, Ottawa 1
Friday, May 17: Ottawa at Pittsburgh, 7:30 p.m.
Sunday, May 19: Pittsburgh at Ottawa, 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday, May 22: Pittsburgh at Ottawa, 7:30 p.m.
x-Friday, May 24: Ottawa at Pittsburgh, 7:30 p.m.
x-Sunday, May 26: Pittsburgh at Ottawa, TBD
x-Tuesday, May 28: Ottawa at Pittsburgh, TBD

Boston vs. N.Y. Rangers
Thursday, May 16: N.Y. Rangers at Boston, late
Sunday, May 19: N.Y. Rangers at Boston, 3 p.m.
Tuesday, May 21: Boston at N.Y. Rangers, 7:30 p.m.
Thursday, May 23: Boston at N.Y. Rangers, 7 p.m.
x-Saturday, May 25: N.Y. Rangers at Boston, TBD
x-Monday, May 27: Boston at N.Y. Rangers, TBD
x-Wednesday, May 29: N.Y. Rangers at Boston, TBD

WESTERN CONFERENCE
Chicago 1, Detroit 0
Wednesday, May 15: Chicago 4, Detroit 1
Saturday, May 18: Detroit at Chicago, 1 p.m.
Monday, May 20: Chicago at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.
Thursday, May 23: Chicago at Detroit, 8 p.m.
x-Saturday, May 25: Detroit at Chicago, TBD
x-Monday, May 27: Chicago at Detroit, TBD
x-Wednesday, May 29: Detroit at Chicago, TBD

Los Angeles 1, San Jose 0
Tuesday, May 14: Los Angeles 2, San Jose 0
Thursday, May 16: San Jose at Los Angeles, late
Saturday, May 18: Los Angeles at San Jose, 9 p.m.
Tuesday, May 21: Los Angeles at San Jose, 10 p.m.
x-Thursday, May 23: San Jose at Los Angeles, 10:30 p.m.
x-Sunday, May 26: Los Angeles at San Jose, TBD
x-Tuesday, May 28: San Jose at Los Angeles, TBD

MLB

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East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	25	15	.625	—
Baltimore	23	17	.575	2
Boston	23	17	.575	2
Tampa Bay	20	19	.513	4.5
Toronto	17	24	.415	8.5

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Detroit	22	16	.579	—
Cleveland	22	17	.564	.5
Kansas City	20	17	.541	1.5
Minnesota	18	19	.486	3.5
Chicago	17	21	.447	5

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Texas	26	14	.650	—
Oakland	20	22	.476	7
Seattle	19	21	.475	7
Los Angeles	15	25	.375	11
Houston	11	30	.268	15.5

Tuesday's Games
Philadelphia 6, Cleveland 2
San Diego 3, Baltimore 2
N.Y. Yankees 4, Seattle 3
Toronto 10, San Francisco 6
Detroit 6, Houston 2
Tampa Bay 5, Boston 3
Chicago White Sox 4, Minnesota 2
L.A. Angels 6, Kansas City 2
Texas 6, Oakland 5, 10 innings

Wednesday's Games
San Diego 8, Baltimore 4
Cleveland 10, Philadelphia 4



LIVE SPORTS ON TV

AUTO RACING

SATURDAY
5:30 p.m. NHRA – Kansas Nationals ESPN2

BOXING

SATURDAY
9:15 p.m. Lamont Peterson vs. Lucas Matthyse . SHOW

COLLEGE BASEBALL

SATURDAY
1 p.m. Texas A&M at Tennessee SUN

COLLEGE LACROSSE

SATURDAY
12:30 p.m. NCAA Tournament, Quarterfinal ESPN2
3 p.m. NCAA Tournament, Quarterfinal ESPN2

COLLEGE SOFTBALL

SATURDAY
3 p.m. NCAA Tournament, Regional ESPN
5:30 p.m. NCAA Tournament, Regional ESPN
8 p.m. NCAA Tournament, Regional ESPN2

GOLF

FRIDAY
12:30 p.m. PGA – BMW Charity Pro-Am GOLF
3 p.m. PGA – Byron Nelson Championship GOLF
6:30 p.m. LPGA – Mobile Bay Classic GOLF

SATURDAY

1 p.m. PGA – Byron Nelson Championship GOLF
1 p.m. PGA – Byron Nelson Championship CBS
3 p.m. PGA – BMW Charity Pro-Am GOLF
5 p.m. LPGA – Mobile Bay Classic GOLF

MLB

FRIDAY
2:10 p.m. N.Y. Mets at Chicago Cubs WGN
7 p.m. Tampa Bay at Baltimore SUN

SATURDAY
4 p.m. Tampa Bay at Baltimore FOX

NBA PLAYOFFS

FRIDAY
7 p.m. Oklahoma City at Memphis, if necessary ESPN
9:30 p.m. Miami at Chicago, if necessary ESPN

SATURDAY
8 p.m. New York at Indiana, if necessary ESPN

SPANISH PREMIER DIVISION SOCCER

FRIDAY
3:25 p.m. Real Madrid vs. Club Atletico de Madrid ESPN
Times, games, channels all subject to change

Houston 7, Detroit 5
Chicago White Sox 9, Minnesota 4
Texas 6, Oakland 2
Seattle 12, N.Y. Yankees 2
Toronto 11, San Francisco 3
Boston 9, Tampa Bay 2
Kansas City 9, L.A. Angels 5

Thursday's Games
Seattle at N.Y. Yankees, late
Boston at Tampa Bay, late
Detroit at Texas, late
Chicago White Sox at L.A. Angels, late

Friday's Games
Houston (Lyles 1-1) at Pittsburgh (J.Gomez 2-0), 7:05 p.m.
Seattle (Maurer 2-5) at Cleveland (UJimenez 3-2), 7:05 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Hellickson 1-2) at Baltimore (Hammel 5-1), 7:05 p.m.
Toronto (Buehrle 1-2) at N.Y. Yankees (Kuroda 5-2), 7:05 p.m.
Detroit (Porcello 1-2) at Texas (Tepesch 3-3), 8:05 p.m.
Boston (Buchholz 6-0) at Minnesota (Worley 1-4), 8:10 p.m.
Chicago White Sox (Sale 4-2) at L.A. Angels (C.Wilson 3-2), 10:05 p.m.
Kansas City (Shields 2-3) at Oakland (Parker 2-5), 10:05 p.m.

L.A. Dodgers 3, Washington 1

Thursday's Games
N.Y. Mets at St. Louis, late
Milwaukee at Pittsburgh, late
Cincinnati at Miami, late
San Francisco at Colorado, late
Washington at San Diego, late

Friday's Games
N.Y. Mets (Harvey 4-0) at Chicago Cubs (E.Jackson 1-5), 2:20 p.m.
Cincinnati (Cingrani 2-0) at Philadelphia (Lee 4-2), 7:05 p.m.
Houston (Lyles 1-1) at Pittsburgh (J.Gomez 2-0), 7:05 p.m.
Arizona (Cahill 2-4) at Miami (Slowey 1-3), 7:10 p.m.
L.A. Dodgers (Ryu 4-2) at Atlanta (Maholm 4-4), 7:30 p.m.
Milwaukee (W.Peralta 3-3) at St. Louis (J.Garcia 4-2), 8:15 p.m.
San Francisco (Bumgarner 4-1) at Colorado (J.De La Rosa 4-3), 8:40 p.m.
Washington (G.Gonzalez 3-2) at San Diego (B.Smith 0-0), 10:10 p.m.

Transactions

BASEBALL
American League
CLEVELAND INDIANS—Optioned RHP Trevor Bauer to Columbus (IL).
HOUSTON ASTROS—Assigned RHP Philip Humber outright to Oklahoma City (PCL).
NEW YORK YANKEES—Sent RHP Joba Chamberlain to Scranton/Wilkes-Barre (IL) and LHP Cesar Cabral to Tampa (FSL) for rehab assignments. Selected the contract of INF David Adams from Scranton/Wilkes-Barre. Designated 3B Chris Nelson for assignment.
OAKLAND ATHLETICS—Optioned OF Michael Taylor to Sacramento (PCL). Reinstated OF Coco Crisp from the 15-day DL.
TEXAS RANGERS—Agreed to terms with RHP Scott Richmond on a minor league contract and assigned him to extended spring training.
TORONTO BLUE JAYS—Sent RHP Dustin McGowan to Dunedin (FSL) for a rehab assignment.

National League
LOS ANGELES DODGERS—Reinstated RHP Zack Greinke from the 15-day DL. Placed RHP Josh Beckett on the 15-day DL, retroactive to May 14.
PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES—Agreed to terms with RHP Carlos Zambrano on a minor league contract.
PITTSBURGH PIRATES—Placed INF John McDonald on the 15-day DL. Recalled INF Jordy Mercer from Indianapolis (IL).
SAN DIEGO PADRES—Released RHP Faustino De Los Santos.

FOOTBALL

National Football League
TAMPA BAY BUCCANEERS—Agreed to terms with DT Akeem Spence.

SPORTS SNAPSHOTS

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.

Sebring Football car wash

SEBRING – Blue Streak Football will be hosting a car wash and watermelon sale in three area locations Saturday, May 25, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

In south Sebring, car washes and sales will be at the BP station in the Southgate Shopping Center and the Boys and Girls Club.

In north Sebring, they will be set up at the Eye Express.

Watermelon's will be going for \$4 for one, or two for \$6, with donations being accepted for a car wash.

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 3-on-3

SEBRING – The Highlands County Family YMCA is hosting a 3-on-3 Double Elimination Basketball Tournament Saturday, May 18, at 10 a.m. for ages 16 and up.

The cost is \$30 per team.

Please call 382-9622 for more info.

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 ngregor@heartlandnb.com.

Sunrise Rotary Golf

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

SEBRING — Home run for Habitat 5K Run/Walk will be Saturday, June 1, at Highlands Hammock State Park.

Check-in starts at 7 a.m.; race starts promptly at 8 a.m.

Entry fee \$15 through May 24; \$20 after and until Race Day, June 1 (checks if mailed and cash on day of race).

Shirt sizes can only be guaranteed for pre-registered participants.

Age groups - eight and under; 9-13; 14-19; 20-29; 30-39; 40-49; 50-59; 60-69; and 70-70-plus.

Make checks payable to: Habitat for Humanity and mail information (names, gender, race day age, address, phone number, e-mail address, event you're entering and T-shirt size) and check to: Highlands County Habitat for Humanity, 159 S. Commerce Ave., Sebring.

Spring Football BBQ

SEBRING – The 3rd Annual Firemen's Spring BBQ and Blue and White game will kick off on Friday, May 17, at Firemen's Field.

Dinner of BBQ pulled pork or chicken, with two sides and a cookie, will run from 4-6 p.m., with the Blue and White spring game getting underway at 6:30 p.m.

Tickets for dinner are \$8, and may be purchased from any Blue Streak player through Monday, May 13.

Entrance to the game is \$2, while parking is free.

All proceeds go to benefit Sebring football.

Hill Gustat Basketball Camp

SEBRING – Hill Gustat Middle School will be hosting a youth, summer basketball camp from Monday, June 10, through Friday, June 14.

The camp will cater to players ranging from those who have just completed their 2nd grade year, to those who have just finished their 8th grade year.

There will be two sessions each day.

The 2nd through 5th grade campers will camp from 9 a.m.-Noon, and 6th through 8th grade students from 1-4 p.m.

This camp is for players of all ability and experience levels.

HGMS Athletic Director and basketball coach Nick Brooks and his staff will be utilizing the latest coaching techniques to assist players in taking their games to the next level.

All players must carry a 2.0 grade point average to be eligible to attend the camp, and a copy of each player's most recent report card must be supplied on the first day of the camp.

If you are interested in participating, please contact Coach Brooks at brooksn@highlands.k12.fl.us, or call 850-322-8398.

The fee for this camp is \$60, and the deadline to register is Thursday, June 6.

Sebring Cheer Clinic

SEBRING — Sebring High School Cheerleading Clinic will be from 3-5:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday, June 10-13, at the Sebring High School gym.

Ages: four years through eighth grade.

Each day will have a different theme: Crafts/Fun/Cheers.

Come out and join the fun!

Be taught cheers and chants by our nationally ranked and four-time state championship team perform at our SHS Home Football Game at 6 p.m., Friday, Oct. 4.



Golf Hammock

Last Monday, May 13, the Mezza Group played Individual Pro-Am Points at the Golf Hammock Country Club.

In A group Mike Anselm scored plus 1 to take the lead and Jim Gulick scored minus 2 for second place.

Pat Dell came in first place in B group with plus 2 and David Mulligan had minus 1 for second place.

Billy Parr came in first place in C group with plus 6 and Jimmy Black in second place with plus 4 and there was a tie for third place between Terry Yandle and Ralph Pickering at plus 1.

In D group Pete Mezza came in first place with plus 6 and Bob Hughes with plus 4 in second place and Ray Nault in third place with plus 2.

Next week the Mezza Group will play at Golf Hammock beginning at 7:45 a.m.

For more information, call Pete at 382-1280 or email at piemezz@hotmail.com.

This league will continue to play all summer and is open to the public.

Lake June West

A Scramble was played Thursday, May 9.

Winning first place was the team of Dick Denhart, Norm Grubbs, Margaret Schultz and Joanne McGill with 50; second place, Doyan and Donna Eades, Larry Heath and Chris Heath with 53; and third place, Ken Rowen, Don Boulton, Joe Swartz and Charlotte Mathew with 57.

Closest to the pin: (Ladies), No. 2, Chris Heath, 9-feet-9; and No. 8, Donna Eades, 12-feet-11. (Men), No. 4, Norm Grubbs, 13-feet-6.

The Men's Association played a Men's League event on Wednesday, May 8.

Winning first place was the team of John Byron, Norm Grubbs, Don Boulton, Fred Neer and John Ruffo with 44; and second place, Dick Denhart, Art Schmeltz, Jack Maginnis, Larry Heath and Brian Schmeltz with 45.

Closest to the pin: No. 2, Norm Grubbs, 7-feet; No. 4, Brian Schmeltz, 18-feet-6; and No. 8, Brian Schmeltz, 9-feet-4.

Placid Lakes

A One Best Ball Even Two Best Balls Odd event was played Wednesday, May 8.

Winning first place was the team of Frank Fisher, Jack Hoerner and Bob Sheets with minus-23; second place,

Ed Bartusch, Darrell Horney and Bud Snyder with minus-18; and third place, Bob McMillian, Jack Marceau and Wayne Wood with minus-16.

Closest to the pin: No. 13, Bud Snyder, 6-feet.

A Scramble was played Tuesday, May 7.

Winning first place was the team of Alice Bitzer, Karen Wallin and Narola Rosenberg with 47.6; second place, Sue Mackey, Gloria Ziegler and Jeanne Ransom with 50.2; and third place, Bobbie Miller, Carol Olsen and Handan Schneider with 51.6.

River Greens

The Men's Association played a Men's Day event Saturday, May 11.

The winners were:

Tying for first/second places were Jim Cercy and Gerry Page; Peter March and Tim Thomas with 132 each. Third place, Larry Roy and Ken Koon with 139.

Closest to the pin: No. 3, Al Farrell, 9-feet-7; No. 5, Cliff Steele, 8-feet-10; No. 12, Larry Roy, 10.5-feet; and No. 17, Fred Evans, 6-feet-5.

The Ladies played a pro am tournament on Thursday, May 9.

Winning first place was the team of Fran Neil, Donna Johnson, Bev Rudd and Barb Stuber with plus-2; and second place, Pat Gower, Michele Koon and Karen Speaker with plus-1.

Individual winners were: First place, Michele Koon with plus-3.5; and second place, Barb Stuber with plus-3.

The Morrison Group played a game on Thursday, May 9.

The winners were: First place, Bill Mountford and Tom Auclair with 59; second place, Lefty St. Pierre and Joe Graf with 60; and third place, Cliff Aubin and Romy Febre with 62.

The Men's Association played a pro am tournament on Wednesday, May 8.

Winning first place was the team of Russ Rudd, Ken Brunswick, Al Farrell and Lefty St. Pierre with plus-12.5; and second place, Tim Thomas, Jonn Yoder and Don Ethun with plus-11.

Individual winners were: A Flight (26-over): Cliff Steele with plus-2. B Flight (22-25): Tim Thomas with plus-



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

5.5. C Flight (21-under): Al Farrell with plus-8.

The Golfettes played a flighted, gross/net game Tuesday, May 7.

The winners were: Flight 1 - Gross: Dee Paul with 81; and Net: Linda Therrien with 66. Flight 2 - Gross: Joanne Merkle with 95; and Net: MaryBeth Carby. Flight 3 - Gross: Fran Smith with 103; and Net: Sally Dworak with 69.

The Morrison Group played a game on Tuesday, May 7.

Winning first place was the team of Cliff Steele, Harold Plagens, Tim Thomas and Butch Smith with minus-20.

A Limited Member game was played Monday, May 6.

Winning first place was the team of John Hierholzer, Tom Shaver, Ray and Becky Payne with plus-2.

Individual winners were: First place, John Hierholzer with plus-5.5; and second place, Patsy Miller with plus-3.

The Morrison Group played a Front 9, Back 9 game Monday, May 6.

The winners were: Front 9 - First place, Ken Koon and Cliff Aubin (draw) with 26; second place, Jim Cercy with 26; and third place, Joe Graf and Tim Thomas with 21. Back 9 - Tying for first/second/third places were Russ Rudd and Gerry Page; Cliff Aubin and Tom Auclair; Ken Brunswick and Lefty St. Pierre; Jim Cercy and Cecil Lemons

with 31 each.

The Men's Association played a Flight Tourney, White Tees, Green Tees, Gold Tees event Saturday, May 4.

The winners were: White Tees - First place, Russ Rudd with 68. Tying for second/third/fourth places were Bob Streeter, Cliff Steele and Ken Brunswick with 72 each. Gold Tees - First place, Gil Heier with 66. Tying for second through fifth places were Gerry Page, Joe Graf, Keith Kincer and Ken Koon with 67 each.

Green Tees - First place, Neil Purcell with 66.

Tying for second place were Al Farrell, Bill Mountford and Don McDonald with 65 each.

Closest to the pin:

No. 3, Gerry Page, 20-feet-4; No. 5, Ken Brunswick, 7-feet-3; No. 12, Tim Thomas, 13-feet-5; and No. 17, Butch Smith, 36-feet.

SpringLake

On Tuesday, May 14, the SpringLake Men's Golf Association held a team event called a "Shambles Tournament" on the Cougar Trail golf course.

In this tournament, all players tee off and then play their own ball from where the best tee shot lands.

Then, on Par 5 holes, only the two best balls count, on Par 4 holes, only the 3 best balls count, and on Par 3 holes, all four balls count.

There were six, four-man teams and scores included the hole handicaps of all players.

First place, with a net score of 167 strokes, went to Will David, Rick Nelson, Jay Payne and Jim Foote.

This team scored 32 shots on Par 5's, 77 shots on Par 4's, and 58 shots on Par 3's.

In second place, with a net 171 strokes, was the team of Bob Hinde, Vern Hoffman, Gale Monda and Dan Porter, whose scores were 31 on Par 5's, 83 on 4's, and 57 on the 3's.

Two strokes back at 173 strokes, third place went to Joe Austin, Charlie Keniston, Joe Troia and Ray McKenzie. Their scores were 26 on 5's, 80 on

4's, and 67 on Par 3's.

Following these were the teams headed by Jan Hard - 175 strokes, Gary Behrendt - 177 strokes, and Ken Kirby - 184 strokes.

On Thursday, May 9, the SpringLake Men's Golf Association finished a two day Pick Your Partner tournament on the Panther Creek golf course.

Object of this match was for each two man team to accumulate as many Net Points as possible where bogeys count 1, pars count 2 and birdies count 4 points after the application of hole handicaps.

There were three Flights, with the A Flight having team handicaps of 12 to 29, the B Flight having team handicaps of 30 to about 42; and the C Flight with 43 to 50.

First place in Flight A was awarded to Joe Austin and Gene Hearn who had 86 points on Tuesday and 97 points on Thursday for a total of 183 points.

On Day 2, Joe shot a net 67 and Gene shot a net 69 with three 8 point holes and seven 6 point holes, in compiling the 97 points.

Second place in Flight A went to Bob Hinde and Edd Vowels with 97 on Tuesday and 83 on Thursday totalling 180 points.

Third place was won by Jon Brower and Tom Bates with 94 plus 83 -- 177 points.

In the B Flight, first place was awarded to Rick Nelson and Joe Troia with a total 183; 104 from Tuesday and 79 on Thursday that included 10 points on No. 15, a par 5, where Joe birdied with one stroke handicap for a 6 point eagle and Rick parred with one stroke for a 4 point birdie.

Second place was taken by Will David and Richie Eastep with 78 and 82 for 160 points.

Third place went to Don Cuning and Vern Hoffman, whose scores were 95 and 62, adding up to 157.

The C Flight had the team with the highest number of points..

Dave Docherty and Jim Foote combined for 83 on Tuesday and 104 on Thursday for a total 187 points.

Dave shot a net 66 in taking the advice of the PGA and "moving up" to the Green Tees, even though he lost 4 strokes of handicap.

"Wildman" Foote used 10 strokes on the Par 6 No. 4 hole, but still came in with a net 68 to help out.

Jay Payne and Ray McKenzie took second with 90 and 72 for 162 net points, while Leon Van and Rob Frederick won a tie breaker for third at 150 points over Ed Clay and Dan Porter.

Yandle proves to be a quick study



Courtesy photo

Left to right, Terry Yandle, Frank Branca and Billy Parr. Terry Yandle has been playing for six and a half years and on February 4 made a hole in one on hole 7. This is a 124 yard, par-3 hole. Terry also had an eagle that same day.

Beckham to retire from soccer at end of season

By ROB HARRIS

Associated Press

LONDON — David Beckham is retiring from soccer after the season, ending a career in which he become a global superstar since starting his career at Manchester United.

The 38-year-old Englishman recently won a league title in a fourth country with Paris Saint-Germain.

He said in a statement Friday he is "thankful to PSG for giving me the opportunity to continue but I feel now is the right time to finish my career, playing at the highest level."

Beckham has two games left this season with PSG.

He also played for Real Madrid and the Los Angeles Galaxy, winning titles with both those clubs as well as with United.

"If you had told me as a young boy I would have played for and won trophies with my boyhood club Manchester United, proudly captained and played for my country over one hundred times and lined up for some of the biggest clubs in the world, I would have told you it was a fantasy. I'm fortunate to have realized those dreams," Beckham said.

On the international stage, Beckham has made 115 appearances for England's national team — a record for

a player other than a goal-keeper.

"To this day, one of my proudest achievements is captaining my country," Beckham said. "I knew every time I wore the Three Lions shirt, I was not only following in a long line of great players, I was also representing every fan that cared passionately about their country.

"I'm honored to represent England both on and off the pitch. ... I want to thank all my teammates, the great managers that I had the pleasure of learning from. I also want to thank the fans who have all supported me and given me the strength to succeed."

Norton has his eye on 'Bucket List'

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umn allows me the opportunity to connect to many folks in Highlands County and share my fishing successes and failures.

So, as I head into retirement, I do so with great anticipation that the "best is yet to come."

Oh, and I forgot to men-

tion, one of my "Bucket-List" items that I will now pursue on a full-time basis is catching the Florida State record largemouth bass.

I think I know where she lives.

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Heat rally past Bulls to advance

By TIM REYNOLDS

Associated Press

MIAMI — Knowing his team needed him at his best, Dwyane Wade retreated to the Miami Heat locker room after the third quarter for some quick treatment on his aching right knee.

When he came back, he was good as new.

And now he can rest until the Eastern Conference finals.

LeBron James scored 23 points, Wade added 18 and had a brilliant 45-second sequence that proved crucial, and the Heat clawed back from an 11-point second-half deficit to beat the Chicago Bulls 94-91 on Wednesday night and close out their second-round series in five games.

"We gave it everything we had," James said. "I have no energy left."

The Heat outscored Chicago 25-14 in the fourth quarter to escape and advance.

"I knew the fourth quarter was going to be tough so I wanted to re-tape my knee," said Wade, who has been battling bone bruises on his knee for several weeks. "I knew I was going to come back into a grind. Our trainers did a great job of getting it taped it enough so I could come out and play."

Did they ever.

Wade had a blocked shot, defensive rebound, offensive rebound and putback slam — all in a late 45-second span — to help cap a wild night of wild comebacks.

The Heat blew an early 18-point lead, then pulled off a late rally to finish off the depleted Bulls, who still had two chances on their last possession to force overtime.

But Nate Robinson and Jimmy Butler missed 3-pointers, time expired, and Miami moved on to face Indiana or New York next week.

"Dwyane is uncanny," Heat coach Erik Spoelstra said. "When the competition is at its highest, and its fiercest, he finds a way."

Carlos Boozer finished with 26 points and 14 rebounds for the Bulls, who were without Derrick Rose for the 99th straight game, as well as Kirk Hinrich (calf) and Luol Deng (illness).

Robinson scored 21 points, Butler had 19, and Richard Hamilton 15 for the Bulls, who dropped the final four games of the series.

"Obviously we're disappointed in losing the series," Bulls coach Tom Thibodeau said. "But I was never disappointed in our team. I thought our team fought hard all year long. There was no quit in them."

True — all the way to the end.

A team that played without the 2011 NBA MVP in Rose, and dealt with a slew of other issues along the way, was within a couple shots from forcing the reigning champions to fly back to Chicago for a Game 6 on Friday night.

"We've got warriors here," Boozer said. "If we're healthy next season, we're going to be pretty good."

The Heat say they have more than a few of those warrior-types as well, including

Wade, who said privately before the game that he was amused about constant speculation surrounding his knee — which has been banged up for weeks.

When the stakes were highest Wednesday, he was there for the Heat.

"I'll go on and on about how great he is," James said. "I really don't care for the trash talk that he receives."

Shane Battier opened the fourth quarter with a 3-pointer to get Miami within five.

Another 3-pointer from Battier — over Boozer, his fellow Duke alum — came not long afterward, and he connected on a pair of free throws after being fouled on a 3-point try to cut Chicago's lead to 81-79.

Norris Cole had a pair of baskets, the second being a left-handed driving dunk, to put Miami on top, and the Heat found a way to close it out from there, even though it wasn't easy, by any measure.

Robinson's 3-pointer with 1:43 left got the Bulls to 94-91.

No one scored again, even though there were plenty of chances both ways.

When it was finally over, the Heat lingered on the court in celebration.

Wade held on to the game ball as he shook a few fans' hands, and he, James and Bosh exchanged some high-fives — the last three Miami players to leave the floor.

"I had a good couple of minutes," Wade said. "I knew they've seen a lot of LeBron and Norris. I knew they weren't prepared for me to attack which is what I was able to do."

Miami will open the East finals at home next week, and it'll be a playoff rematch from its march to the title last season.

If Indiana beats New York — the Pacers lead that series 3-1 — on Thursday night, then the Heat and Pacers will meet in Game 1 in Miami on Monday night.

If the Knicks extend the Pacers to at least six games, then the East finals would open Wednesday night, regardless of opponent.

The Heat will almost surely be big favorites against either Indiana or New York, though it's certain either opponent would enter a series against Miami with plenty of confidence.

The Knicks went 3-1 against the Heat this season, outscoring them by 11.5 points per game and winning both of their games at Miami convincingly.

The Pacers went 2-1 against the Heat, winning twice in Indianapolis and losing their lone game in Miami.

To put that in some more perspective, the Heat went 2-5 against the Knicks and Pacers, and are now 72-12 against all other NBA clubs this season.

"It only gets more difficult and more challenging," Spoelstra said. "That's what competitors want."

Then again, given how Miami has played over the last 3 1/2 months, the notion of the Heat losing to anybody four times might seem downright impossible.

The Heat lost at Indiana on

Feb. 1.

They won at Toronto two days later, the first victory in what became a run of 27 straight wins — and the start of a stretch that has seen Miami go 45-3 in its last 48 games.

More than half the league — 17 of the other 29 teams — didn't win 45 games, total, this season, even including playoffs.

"They're a great team. A great team," Thibodeau said. "They're not going to beat themselves. You have to beat them."

No one would have thought the ending would be so exciting after the way this one started.

Marco Belinelli took the Bulls' first shot, a woefully short airball.

Joakim Noah took their second shot, a very long airball.

Their third possession was a turnover, and the night was shaping up like a Chicago disaster.

It was 10-0 before half the crowd was in their seats, and 22-4 just past the midpoint of the opening quarter.

Since the start of Game 4, in barely over 53 minutes of play, the Heat had outscored the Bulls by 40 points.

Everyone in the building — except for the 20 or so guys in red uniforms or wearing suits on the Chicago bench — had to be thinking that the series was over.

If so, then they were all wrong.

Game 5 turned into a microcosm of the Bulls' season.

They were unfazed, unflappable, unrelenting in the face of being counted out.

And before long, the massive deficit was a thing of the past.

"We kept fighting," Noah said. "And kept fighting."

Boozer went 6 for 7 in the opening quarter, his layup late in the period getting the Bulls within seven before James scored to end the first and give Miami a 30-21 lead.

The Bulls were unbothered, and just kept getting stops on one end, making baskets on the other.

Butler's 3-pointer with 4:46 left in the half gave Chicago its first advantage of the night, 38-36.

To recap, the game started with a 22-4 Heat run — and in the 13 minutes that immediately followed, the Bulls rebutted with a 34-14 burst.

By halftime, it was 53-47.

In the third, after Chicago briefly led by 11 — remember, they were down 18, making that a 29-point turnaround — the Bulls took a 77-69 edge into the final 12 minutes.

"We grinded it out," Boozer said. "We had chances. We just fell a little bit short."

And Miami moved on, now halfway home in its quest for a second straight title.

NOTES: Miami is 6-0 in its last six chances to close out a series. ... The Bulls had 16 turnovers, which Miami turned into 27 points. ... Hinrich's calf injury was improving, the Bulls said, but not to the point where he could play.

Sebring spring sets up summer

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Then it is off to enjoy the summer and get set for the more heated practice season and the advent of a slightly altered district.

Now in District 11-6A, Sebring will still be joined by Winter Haven and Lake Gibson, with Kathleen being moved out and Lake Region coming in.

And while those dog-day practices are further honing the skills and forging a team, this spring season is where it all began.

Where the seeds were planted and look to be in full bloom.

News-Sun photo by DAN HOEHNE

Connor Cook will be leading one squad in tonight's Blue and White game at Firemen's Field.

Orb on inside track at Preakness

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Soon after the draw ended, Mylute jockey Rosie Napravnik said on Twitter, "Perfect draw! super excited!"

Quast said, "We're ecstatic about it. With this horse, it doesn't matter as much, but it sure is nice being inside, a little bit toward the middle, and then having Orb inside us and Departing inside us, the two big threats. It's great to be outside of them."

Departing, a bay gelding, won the Grade III Illinois Derby on April 20 and skipped the Kentucky Derby because Stall did not think the horse was ready.

The trainer thinks it might be an advantage at the Preakness.

"In this day and age, the modern thoroughbred seems

to like a little time in-between races. I don't know why," Stall said. "So we're fortunate enough to have 28 days between the Illinois Derby and now. It gave us time to improve and he really has improved. You can see it on a day-to-day basis when you train him."

Stall is among those who believe the rail won't be a hindrance to Orb.

"The post doesn't really matter in this type of race, this type of track with a nine-horse field," he said. "It's just a good party to come to."

Orb won the Derby by 2 1/2 lengths and has won five straight races, so he's certainly worth of being the favorite in spite of his starting position.

"I don't know that the rail's all that bad," said Hall

of Fame trainer D. Wayne Lukas, who has three horses in the race: Oxbow, Will Take Charge and Titledown Five. "Orb is still the one to beat."

The field, from the rail, with odds in parenthesis: Orb (1-1), Goldencents (8-1), Titledown Five (30-1), Departing (6-1), Mylute (5-1), Oxbow (15-1), Will Take Charge (12-1), Govenor Charlie (12-1) and Itsmyluckyday (10-1).

Lukas was delighted with the post positions drawn by his trio of entrants.

"I love mine. I thought it was real good," he said. "Oxbow for a change got inside a little bit. He'll be forwardly placed. We shouldn't have any trouble. I'm going to have to come up with a different excuse when we get beat."

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Shane Battier and LeBron James defend against Carlos Boozer in the low post Wednesday night. Boozer's strong first quarter helped Chicago bounce back from a big early deficit to make a game of it. But the Heat rallied late to close out the series and advance to the Eastern Conference Finals.

Healthy Living

Finding the cause of migraine headaches

Dear Pharmacist: I've had migraine headaches for 11 years and live on triptan drugs and ibuprofen. There must be something else I can do. Please lend some sensible "Suzy" insight, I'm desperate.

— J.C., Tuscon, Arizona

Answer: The sensible thing for me to do is help you determine the cause of your headaches, rather than list supplements you've probably already tried. Migraines can steal the joy from your life, making you nauseous and sensitive to sounds, perfume and light, not to mention the pain! There are 50 other symptoms too.

Even though your odds increase if a family member has migraines, I still think you can overcome them if you know the cause, that's the hardest part. Women are three times more likely to get migraines, compared to men, which speaks to an estrogen connection. A sudden drop in estrogen (like at the beginning of your natural cycle or when coming off "the pill" for a week) can trigger a headache.



Dear Pharmacist
Suzy Cohen

Food sensitivities are common triggers, so I'd avoid foods that contain gluten, wheat, dairy, soy, eggs, corn, processed cold-cuts, wine, sulfites and chocolate. Give it three months to be

fair. Avoid food additives at all costs, such as artificial colors, sweeteners or MSG. Don't freak, it's not that hard to do if you choose to eat nothing from a box or can.

Have you considered nutritional deficiencies? Magnesium deficiency is a common cause for headaches, depression, cramps and body aches. For the complete list of medica-

tions that rob you, refer to my book *Drug Muggers*.

How crazy would you think I was if I told you that *H. pylori* (the same bug associated with ulcers) is tied to migraines? A randomized, double-blind placebo controlled study proved it in 2012, and that was not the first study tethering bacteria, parasites, worms and viruses to migraines.

Experts cannot agree on

why migraines occur. Some think there are arterial changes which create more blood flow to the head. Drugs like Imitrex, Zomig, and Maxalt work by constricting blood vessels and should be taken immediately. Medicine won't prevent future attacks. That's why I stress the importance of finding the triggers. Speaking of stress, minimize it.

Other experts, including myself, think migraines have more to do with mitochondrial (mito) dysfunction and pain-causing cytokines than with inflamed blood

vessels. Your mito are energy generators and normally pump out ATP (energy molecule) but something goes awry.

Restoring mito health and reducing cytokines should become every migraine sufferer's goal. Eradication of infection can help while supplements that support mito health are critical. CoQ10 (or ubiquinol) is among the best.

A 2002 study (Cephalgia) concluded that 61 percent of participants found at least a 50 percent reduction in the frequency of migraine attacks over 4 months with CoQ10. Migraineurs could also benefit tremendously from magnesium, riboflavin and lipoic acid. Wrap your head around this type of thinking because my new ideas might help you reach your ultimate goal, a pain free life!

Suzy Cohen is a registered pharmacist and the author of 'The 24-Hour Pharmacist' and 'Real Solutions.' For more information, visit www.DearPharmacist.com. This information is not intended to treat, diagnose or cure your condition.



Warm weather shape-up tips

Family Features

Those hot summer months are almost here and it's time to take your workout to the next level to get in shape.

Whether you are looking to shed a few pounds that came with the cold weather, training for a race, or beginning team workouts, there is no time like the present to get moving.

While some people find it easy to make a workout part of their daily routine, many struggle with creating a fitness plan and sticking to it. Below are a few tips to help you create and maintain a diverse and healthy schedule this month and beyond:

Bring a buddy

Exercise doesn't need to seem like a chore. Join a running group or grab a friend and head to the gym - accountability will make you less likely to skip a workout.

Track your trips

Keep a calendar and mark each trip you make to the gym, go for a run, or participate in a fitness activity. Tracking your progress and routines will allow you to make adjustments and improvements to your fitness plan.

Start small

Don't bite off more than you can chew. Set short-term realistic goals that are attainable. Lengthening your running distance each week, upping the number of reps you do on your favorite machine or increasing the weights you lift (by no more



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Adding weights to your exercise routine is a good way to help shed pounds of fat.

than 10 percent each week) will create a sense of accomplishment. Even when you feel like you do not have enough energy for a full workout, go outside for a walk, hop on the treadmill for 15 minutes or simply make it a point to take the stairs when possible — every little step counts.

Switch things up

Do not get stuck doing the same routine each time you are heading to the gym. Try taking a class such as

CrossFit, Boxing or Boot camp; join a summer sports league or sign-up for your first triathlon.

Trying out different types of workouts will make you feel refreshed and allow you to exercise different muscles.

Refuel your body

It is crucial to refuel your body post-workout with a mix of carbohydrates and high quality protein. One such protein-rich choice is Rockin' Refuel Intense Recovery, which is 100 per-

cent real milk with 20 grams of protein and features a 2:1 carb to protein ratio which has been proven to maximize muscle recovery.

Your muscles will feel the difference and your taste buds will appreciate the great taste of real milk.

Remembering these tips can help you maximize your workouts and make them more enjoyable.

Check out RockinRefuel.com or visit [Facebook.com/RockinRefuel](https://www.facebook.com/RockinRefuel) for more tips.

FDA approves genetic test for lung cancer drug

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Food and Drug Administration on Tuesday approved a genetic test from Roche to help doctors identify patients who can benefit from a lung cancer drug made by the company's Genentech unit.

The diagnostic test is the first approved to detect genetic mutations found in roughly 10 percent of patients with the most prevalent form of lung cancer, known as non-small cell lung cancer.

Patients who test positive for the mutation are more likely to respond to Genentech's drug Tarceva as a first-choice treatment, and the FDA said it expanded the drug's approval for that use in its announcement. The drug was originally approved in 2004 as a second-line option after patients failed to respond to chemotherapy.

Lung cancer is the dead-

liest form of cancer among men and women in the U.S. and is expected to kill nearly 160,000 people this year, according to the National Cancer Institute.

Company studies found that patients with the genetic mutation detected by Roche's test lived more than 10 months without their disease progressing, when treated with Tarceva. That compared to more than five months for patients taking a standard chemotherapy drug combination.

"The approval of the cobas EGFR Mutation Test will allow physicians to identify non-small cell lung cancer patients who are candidates for receiving Tarceva as first line therapy," said Alberto Gutierrez, director of the FDA's office for diagnostics, in a statement. Companion diagnostics play an important role in determining which therapies are the safest.

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Healthy Living

What to do about long-term back pain

Are you one of the people who still have back pain one year after the symptoms started? Now what do you do?

If you have not already stopped smoking, this is a good time to stop. Smoking has been shown to increase back pain probably by its effect on the arteries to the discs. This is known to be the cause disc deterioration in the neck but is not as clear an effect in the back.

Work with a physical therapist to strengthen your abdominal muscles, loosen up tight sacroiliac joints (where the spine attaches to the pelvis) or stretch out "knots" in your back muscles, both of which interfere with normal back motion and cause pain. The therapist can also mobilize (very gently if osteoporosis is present) stiff vertebral joints.

Beginning a fitness program to improve your cardiovascular fitness will not only help your heart but has been shown to decrease back pain although the reason is not clear. If your mattress is old you might consider buying a new more supportive one.

If you still have back pain after trying these, more study is needed. An MRI will show spinal stenosis, arthritic facet joints (the joints between vertebrae) or spinal stenosis (narrowing of the space for the spinal cord). If you have a pacemaker or other reason that you cannot have an MRI a CT scan will give much of the same information. It shows bone very well but does not show soft tissues, such as discs, as well as an MRI.

EMG done by a neurologist will show if a specific nerve or nerves is pinched. Using the information from these studies, your complaints and physical exam your doctor will help you decide on the best course of treatment.

A common finding is small disc bulges not impinging on the nerve roots or spinal cord and/or spurring at several levels. This, combined with a complaint of generalized back pain and an exam without weakness or significant numbness, is the most common finding. Steroids are very helpful in relieving peripheral nerve pain. Unfortunately they do not get into spinal fluid well because the brain and spinal cord are protected against all foreign substances — good and bad — by two layers of tough fascial tissue.

Injecting steroids in to the area between these two layers (the epidural space) gets steroids to the irritable area in a time-release dose. This relieves the pain in many cases. It is done by anesthesiologists as it is the same technique with different medicines used for anesthesia in delivering babies. If there are only one or two "bad" joints, the anesthesiologist can inject either the facets or the nerve roots near them with steroids under x-ray control.

Doctors group: Ban sale of tobacco in hospitals

Associated Press

BOSTON — A statewide association of doctors and medical students is backing a proposed ban on the sale of tobacco products by health care institutions.

The Massachusetts Medical Society offered testimony Tuesday at a Beacon Hill hearing by the Legislature's Joint Committee on Public Health.

The bill would not only prohibit hospitals and clinics from selling cigarettes and other tobacco products, it would also block doctors from working in a professional capacity in locations where tobacco products are sold.

The group said doctors, nurses and other health care professionals "should not be permitted by their very presence to legitimize the sale of tobacco products."



Guest Column

Dr. Diana Carr

If the space for the spinal cord is narrowed on MRI/CT and you have increased pain with walking, you probably have spinal stenosis. This is often confused with circulation problems. These also get worse with walking and better with resting. An exam of the pulses in your legs and oxygenation in your toes will differentiate these two diagnoses. Spinal stenosis will sometimes respond to epidural steroids but often requires surgery. The good news is that especially in the older

patient surgery for spinal stenosis has the most predictable good outcome.

More on back pain and its treatment in the next column, so stay tuned.

Dr. Diana D. Carr treats patients at The Hand & Shoulder Specialists offering specialty care close to home with a concentration on healing shoulder, elbow, wrist and hand problems.

She is certified by the American Board of Orthopaedic Surgery and a Fellow of the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons. Dr. Carr's long list of achievements include being the area's only Orthopaedic Surgeon certified as a hand specialist.

For more information, please visit <http://hand-shoulder-specialist.com> or call (863) 382-7777. This information is not intended to diagnose, treat or cure your condition.

Testing should allow your doctor to pinpoint the source of your chronic back pain.



Outreach events planned

Special to the News-Sun

Ace Homecare Community plans the following community outreach events for the coming week:

Monday: 9 a.m., Coping with Transitions at Resthaven Assisted Living facility, off S.R. 64, Resthaven Road, Zolfo Springs; 10 a.m., Health Fair at Chatham Pointe, Stenton Road, Wauchula; and 1 p.m., Caregivers Support Group at Crown Pointe Assisted Living Community, Sun 'N Lake Boulevard, Sebring.

Tuesday: 8 a.m., Health Fair at Sebring Bluffs, U.S. 27, Sebring; 10 a.m., Health Fair at Fair Havens Apartments, Spinks Road, Sebring; and 12:30 p.m., Health Fair at the Groves, behind Sebring Diner, U.S. 27.

Wednesday: 9 a.m., Health Fair at Avon Park Meal Site, Main Street; 10 a.m., Health Fair at Palm Apartments, Hal McRae Boulevard, Avon Park; and 1 p.m., Health Fair at Tanglewood, U.S. 27, Sebring.

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P.O.'S STEADY HEARTBEAT... IS MUSIC TO HIS EARS

A shop teacher for more than two and a half decades and a musician nearly all his 91 years, P.O. mentored kids and made country and mountain music his focus. From his time with the Florida Playboys to playing in North Carolina, his talents as a musician were paired with his skills as a craftsman, producing not just beautiful music, but several beautifully hand-built guitars as well. P.O. led a full, healthy life without any serious issues until his heart attack.

Fortunately, he was taken to Florida Hospital Heartland, equipped with two state-of-the-art cath labs and the area's only Certified Chest Pain and Primary Stroke Center.

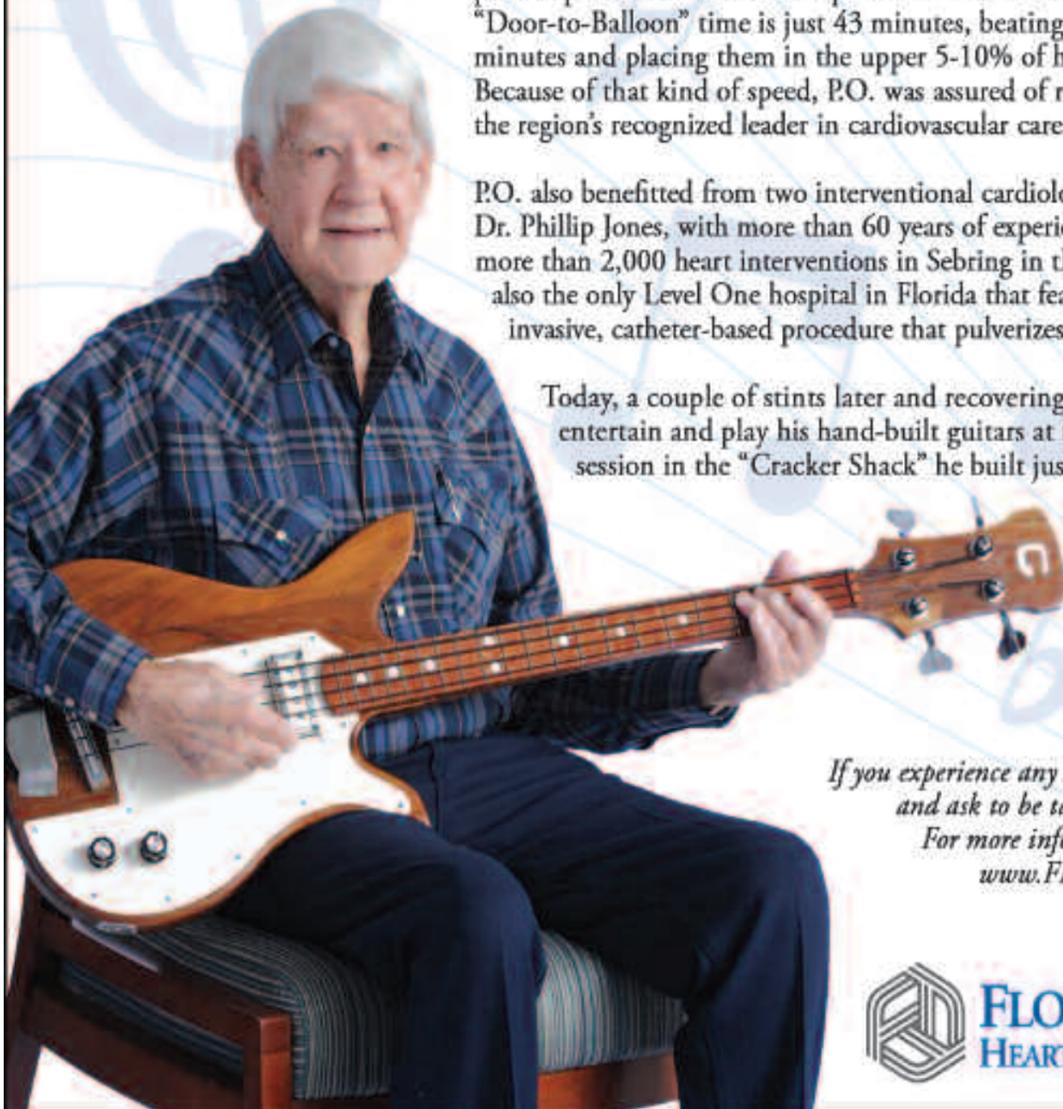
In fact, the Florida Hospital Heart & Vascular Center is one of the nation's fastest at stopping heart attacks. From the point a patient enters their hospital doors until the time the artery is open, their "Door-to-Balloon" time is just 43 minutes, beating the national standard of 90 minutes and placing them in the upper 5-10% of hospitals in the country. Because of that kind of speed, P.O. was assured of receiving quick attention from the region's recognized leader in cardiovascular care.

P.O. also benefitted from two interventional cardiologists, Dr. Roger Wittum and Dr. Phillip Jones, with more than 60 years of experience who have performed more than 2,000 heart interventions in Sebring in the past 4 1/2 years. They are also the only Level One hospital in Florida that features Rotoblator, a minimally invasive, catheter-based procedure that pulverizes plaque.

Today, a couple of stints later and recovering nicely, P.O. continues to entertain and play his hand-built guitars at the regular Tuesday night jam session in the "Cracker Shack" he built just for that purpose.

If you experience any of these symptoms, call 9-1-1, and ask to be taken to Florida Hospital. For more information, please visit www.FHHeartland.org

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Religion

Church News

Atonement

Lutheran Church - ELCA

SEBRING — This is Day of Pentecost Sunday. Rev. Jefferson Cox's sermon will be based on the gospel reading of John 14:8-17, 25-27.

Rev. Cox will be the Bible study leader on May 23 and 30. Sharon Palmer will lead the Bible study when Rev. Cox is not able to attend.

A Memorial Day Salute to the Veterans Picnic will be from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. May 27. Bring family and friends. Memorial programs and free food, fun and games for all ages. More details to follow.

Christ Lutheran Church - LCMS

AVON PARK — This Sunday in Pentecost, Pastor Scott McLean will preach a sermon titled "The Holy Spirit Is the Comforter!" The church is at 1320 County Road 64, east of the Avon Park High School past the four-way stop sign. For more information, call 471-2663 or search online at christlutheranavonpark.org.

Christian Training Church

SEBRING — Rev. Linda M. Downing will bring the message titled "The Fall of Babylon: Part 6" at the Sunday morning service. The Wednesday night Bible study is the Gospel of John.

Emmanuel United Church of Christ

SEBRING — Rev. George Miller will deliver the Sunday morning sermon, "Freeing God" with Scripture taken from Acts 2:1-21.

The church is 1.7 miles west of U.S. 27 on County Road 634 (Hammock Road). Call 471-1999 or visit sebringemmanuelucc.com.

Faith Lutheran Church - LCMS

SEBRING — This Sunday morning, the church celebrates Pentecost. Pastor Robert Reinhardt will deliver his sermon "The Spirit of Truth," based on the readings of the day: Genesis 11:1-9, Acts 2:1-21 and John 14:23-31. Join in as the church celebrates the Confirmation service of Allyson M. Pyle, Savanna R. Roberts, Dominick W. Vinson-Roberts and Kelley M. Young.

The church offers a Beth Moore David -Seeking a Heart Like His workshop on Wednesdays at 1 p.m. (in the sixth week of 11). It is not too late to join and Saturdays has three classes at 9 a.m. meeting again on May 25. All are welcome.

Starting in June there will have one service at 10 a.m. Saturday, June 8 will be a Blow Out the Closet Sale. All items in Faith's Closet will be for sale. Vacation Bible School is being offered from June 17-21 with dinner before classes. To pre-register, call or come by the church (385-7848) or e-mail faithlutheransebring@comcast.net.

First Baptist Church - Avon Park

AVON PARK — Rev. Jon Beck's Sunday morning message will be "That We May Know" from I John 5:6-21.

The church is at 100 N. Lake Ave. For more infor-

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mation, call 453-6681 or e-mail info@fbcap.net.

First Baptist Church - Lake Placid

LAKE PLACID — Morning Worship Pastor Cole is beginning a new series "Unpacking the Great Commandment" with his sermon "God's Love Language" from John 14. He is also beginning a new series, "The Other Gospel," in the evening service with his sermon "Someone's at the Door" from John 1:6-18.

Call the church office at 465-0060 or check out www.faithbaptistchurchlp.com/. Pastor Bill's sermons are now available on the website.

First Christian Church - Avon Park

AVON PARK — "Let's Go Fishing!" is the sermon series this month.

If you missed last Sunday's message, check our website, you can listen

to either a snip-it or in its entirety. You will need a password to listen to the complete message, just give the church office a call for the code.

First Christian Church of Avon Park is at 1016 W. Camphor (behind the Wells Fargo Bank). Call 453-5334 or e-mail firstchristianap@embarq-mail.com with any questions or to request information. The church website is www.firstchristianap.com.

First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

SEBRING — The pastor's sermon is titled "The Holy Spirit Comes At Pentecost" taken from Acts 2:1-4. Assisting the pastor during the Communion service will be Elders Dick and Sharron Campbell.

Deacons for the day are Sandi Laufer, Effie Simmonds and Carol Chandler. Greeting the con-

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Where is your treasure?



Kevin's Comments

Kevin Patterson

A very successful businessman parked his new sports car, a Ferrari, in front of his office in order to show it off to his colleagues. As he was getting out of the vehicle, a truck came along too closely and completely tore off the car's open door. The businessman immediately grabbed his cell phone, dialed 9-1-1, and waited no more than five minutes before a policeman arrived on the scene.

Before the officer could even ask any questions, the businessman started shouting hysterically. His beautiful Ferrari, which he had just picked up the day before, was now completely ruined. He exclaimed that no matter what a body shop did to it, the car would never be the same again.

After the businessman finally calmed down from his emotional tirade, the policeman shook his head in disbelief. "I cannot believe how materialistic you are," he said. "You have been so focused on your precious car that you haven't taken the time to notice anything else!"

"What in the world do you mean?" came the reply with shock and dismay. "How can you say such a thing?"

The officer pointed out, "Do you not realize that your left arm is missing from the

elbow down? It must have been torn off when the truck hit you!"

"Oh no!" screamed the horrified businessman. "Where's my Rolex?"

Learning to be content with what we do have is often difficult when living in a world that is obsessed with what it does not have. We are constantly bombarded with the idea of accumulating possessions and "keeping up with the Jones." God, interestingly enough, wants us to be wealthy. However, His desire is that we be spiritually rich, not materially rich.

Paul told Timothy in 1 Timothy 6:7-10, "For we have brought nothing into the world, so we cannot take anything out of it either. If we have food and covering, with these we shall be content. But those who want to get rich fall into temptation and a snare and many foolish

and harmful desires which plunge men into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all sorts of evil, and some by longing for it have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs."

When we earnestly desire material gain, we find the ruin and destruction that await the world. When we earnestly desire godly gain, we find the eternal peace and contentment that await the faithful few.

Jesus taught in Matthew 6:19-21, "Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys, and where thieves do not break in or steal; for where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."

Where is your treasure right now? Where is your heart right now? Make them both with God in Heaven!

Kevin's Comments by Kevin Patterson is presented by the Sebring Parkway church of Christ assembling at 3800 Sebring Parkway, Sebring. On the Internet, visit www.sebringcoc.com, or e-mail sebringparkway@sebringcoc.com.



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Church News

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gregation will be Tim Wheaton.

The acolyte for the day will be one of the Thibodeau brothers.

Immediately following the worship service there will be a special program and fellowship meal for Chris Baker, who will be graduating next month from Sebring High School.

First Presbyterian Church of Avon Park

AVON PARK — Sunday morning, Pastor Bob Johnson's sermon is titled "Certainty" based on Luke 1:1-4.

Special music will be provided by Bev Rudd, Margaret Desness, Ruth Mann, Margaret Phillips and Betty Schomisch singing "What a Day That Will Be/The King is Coming."

The adult class has been viewing a video series titled "The Life and Ministry of the Messiah" spon-

sored by Focus on the Family. The lessons are filmed on location and narrated by Ray Vander Lann. This new series is titled "I Led You like a Bride" filmed in Jebel Katarina. Matt Sbotto teaches the youth class and they are studying the book of Ephesians.

On Wednesday, Pastor Johnson will lead the Bible study group from the book "What is the Christian's Worldview?"

The church is at 215 E. Circle St. (with two entrances on Lagrande Street). For questions, call 453-3242 or check the website avonparkapchurch.com.

First Presbyterian Church of Sebring

SEBRING — "Making Sure It Is God" is the title of Sunday morning's sermon by the Rev. Darrell A. Peer.

Prayer Vigil and Global Day of Prayer Gathering, sponsored by Highlands County Youth for Christ, will be from 6-8 p.m. Sunday evening in the sanctuary. Everyone

is encouraged to attend.

First United Methodist Church of Sebring

SEBRING — On this Sunday of Pentecost, Rev. A.C. Bryant's message will be "Pray for Bread" with Scripture from Matthew 6:11.

The Florida Blood Mobile will be at the church from 8:30 a.m. to noon Sunday.

The church is downtown at 126 S. Pine St. Visit the website at www.sebringfirstumc.com. Call the church office for information at 385-5184.

Grace Pointe Ministries

SEBRING — Grace Point Ministries meets at 200 Lark Ave., Sebring Hills Association Clubhouse.

Tuesday home Bible study continues "Messiah: Shadow To Image." Call 658-2534 for location and other information.

During Sunday Worship Experience, the sermon series con-

tinue "The Next Fifty Days – From Resurrection to Pentecost and Beyond" to learn the expectations of what the Lord is going to do and what He is going to restore.

Heartland Christian Church

SEBRING — Pastor Ted Moore's sermon Sunday will be "Come Out of Lodebar," with Scripture from II Samuel 9:1-13. The service will include Roland Bates singing.

North American Christian Convention is July 9-12. Vacation Bible School is July 29 to Aug. 2.

The church is at 2705 Alternate Route 17 South (behind Publix); phone number is 314-9693.

Memorial United Methodist Church

LAKE PLACID — Pastor John Bryant will preach "How It's Made" at the Sunday worship services using Psalm 104:24-34, 35b. The church is at 500 Kent Ave.

behind the Tower. The phone number is 465-2422.

St. John United Methodist Church

SEBRING — The Rev. Ronald De Genaro Jr.'s message on Sunday will be "We have an Advocate." Biblical reference is from John 14:25-27.

Sebring Church of the Brethren

SEBRING — This Sunday morning will have visiting minister, Karen Neff, with the church. For more information, call 385-1597.

Spring Lake United Methodist Church

SEBRING — Spring Lake United Methodist Church is at 8170 Cozumel Lane. The Rev. Clyde Weaver's Sunday morning sermon will be "We've Come Here By God's Help." Potluck follows the service.

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ANGLICAN

♦ **New Life Anglican Fellowship**, 10 N. Main Ave. (Woman's Club), Lake Placid, FL 33852. Rev. Susan Rhodes, Deacon in Charge, (863) 243-3191; sthrhodes1020@yahoo.com. Sunday Worship, 10 a.m. Teaching, Holy Communion, Music, Fellowship, Healing Prayer. "Pastoral and Spiritual".

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

BAPTIST

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

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

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

♦ **Fellowship Baptist Church**, 1000 Maxwell St., Avon Park, FL 33825. Sunday: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Morning Worship, 10:45 a.m.; Wednesday: Evening Service, 7 p.m.; Children/Youth, 7 p.m. Telephone: 453-4256. Fax: 453-6986. E-mail: office@apfel-low.org; Web site, www.apfellowship.org.

♦ **First Baptist Church of Avon Park**, 100 N. Lake Ave., Avon Park. Rev. Jon Beck, pastor; Charlie Parish, associate pastor/youth and families; Joy Loomis, music director; Rev. Johnattan Soltero, Hispanic pastor. Sunday – Sunday school, 9:30 a.m.; Worship, 10:45 a.m.; Children's Church, 10:45 a.m.; Youth, 4:45 p.m.; Evening Worship, 6 p.m. Wednesday - Wednesday Night Supper, 5:15 p.m.; Children's Choir, 6 p.m.; Youth Activities, 6-7:30 p.m.; Prayer

Meeting/Bible Study, 6 p.m.; Worship Choir Practice, 6 p.m.; Mission Programs for Children, 6:45 p.m. Hispanic Services: Sunday school at 9:30 a.m., worship service at 11 a.m. Wednesday Bible study at 7 p.m. Morning and evening services available at www.fbcap.net. Select Media, select Sermon Library, select Date. Call 453-6681 for details. "In the heart of Avon Park, for the hearts of Avon Park."

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♦ **First Baptist Church of Lake Placid**, Knowing God's Heart and Sharing God's Hope, 119 E. Royal Palm St., Lake Placid, FL 33852 (863) 465-3721, Website: www.fbclp.com. Email: information@fbclp.com. Sunday services - Traditional Service 9 a.m., Contemporary Service 10:30 a.m. Link Groups at 9 and 10:30 a.m., Wednesday Activities: Family dinner at 5 p.m. (\$4 per person, reservations required). Prayer meeting, Youth Intersections, and MaxKidz Extreme meet at 6:15 p.m. The church is at 119 E. Royal Palm St., Lake Placid. For information, call 465-3721 or go to www.fbclp.com.

♦ **First Baptist Church of Lorida** located right on U.S. 98 in Lorida. Sunday School begins at 9:45 a.m. for all ages. Sunday worship services are at 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. Preschool care is provided at the 11 a.m. worship service. Wednesday evening Bible Study and Prayer meeting is at 6:30 p.m., followed by adult choir rehearsal. From September the AWANA groups meet. First Lorida is the "Place to discover God's love." For more information about the church or the ministries offered, call 655-1878.

♦ **First Baptist Church, Sebring**, 200 E. Center Ave., Sebring, FL 33870. Telephone: 385-5154. Dr. Allen Higginbotham, Interim Pastor; Rev. Nuno Norberto, associate pastor, minister of music and senior adults; and Dixie Kreulien, preschool director. Group Bible Studies, 9:15 a.m.; Blended Service, 10:30 a.m.; Mision Buatista Hispana, 2 p.m.; Sunday Evening Worship, 6 p.m. Wednesday night programs at the ROC begin 5:30 p.m., at church begin 6:30 p.m. Preschool and Mother's Day Out for children age 6 weeks to 5 years old. Call 385-4704. Website www.fbsebring.com

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

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

♦ **Leisure Lakes Baptist Church**, 808 Gardena St., Lake Placid (just off of Miller at the west end of Lake June) "Where the old fashion gospel is preached." Sunday School begins at 9:30 a.m.; Sunday Worship service at 10:45 a.m.; Sunday Evening Service is at 6 p.m. Wednesday Prayer Meeting and Bible Study at 6 p.m. Call the church at 699-0671 for more information.

♦ **Maranatha Baptist Church (GARBC)**, 35 Maranatha Blvd., Sebring, FL 33870

(A half mile east of Highlands Avenue on Arbuckle Creek Road.) Sunday School, 9 a.m.; Morning Worship, 10:15 a.m.; Evening Service, 6 p.m. Mid-week service, Wednesday, 6 p.m. Daily Prayer and Bible Study, 8 a.m., Hamman Hall. Pastor Gerald Webber and Associate Pastors Don Messenger and Ted Ertle. Phone 382-4301.

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

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

♦ **Southside Baptist Church (GARBC)**, 379 S. Commerce Ave., Sebring. David C. Altman, Pastor. Sunday School for all ages, 9:30 a.m.; Morning Worship Service, 10:45 a.m.; Evening Worship, 6 p.m. Wednesday: Student ministry, 6:30 p.m.; Awana kindergarten through fifth grade, 6:30 p.m.; Adult Midweek Prayer and Bible Study, 7 p.m. A nursery for under age 3 is available at all services. Provisions for handicapped and hard-of-hearing. Office phone, 385-0752.

♦ **Spring Lake Baptist Church**, "Where the Bible is Always Open." Pastor Richard Schermerhorn, 7408 Valencia Road; 655-2610. Assistant Pastor Ronald Smith, 386-1610. On U.S. 98 at the Spring Lake Village II entrance. Sunday School, 9:45 a.m. for all ages; Morning Worship, 10:45 a.m.; Sunday Evening Worship, 6 p.m. Wednesday Mid-week Bible Study and Prayer Service, 6:30 p.m. Nursery available for all services.

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

CATHOLIC

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

♦ **St. Catherine Catholic Church**, 820 Hickory St., Sebring. Parrish office/ mailing address: 882 Bay St., Sebring, FL 33870, 385-0049, 385-6762 (Spanish); fax, 385-5169; email, office@stcathe.com; website, www.stcathe.com. School Office/Mailing, Principal Dr. Anna V. Adam, 747 S. Franklin St., Sebring, FL 33870; 385-7300; fax, 385-7310; email school@stcathe.com. School office hours 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday-Friday. Clergy: Very Rev. José González, V.F., fjose@stcathe.com or 385-0049; Parochial Vicar, Rev. Victor Caviedes, 385-3993; Assisting Priest (retired), Rev. J. Peter Sheehan; Decons, Rev. Mr. James R. McGarry and Rev. Mr. Max M. Severe. WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE: Saturday: - 4 p.m.; Sunday - 8 and 10 a.m., 12 p.m.

(Spanish), 5 p.m. (Holy Family Youth Center), every third Sunday of the month at 2 p.m. (French Mass). Daily Mass: Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. and 12 p.m. Saturday at 9 a.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation: 7:15-7:45 a.m. first Friday, 2:30-3:15 p.m. Saturday and 9-9:45 a.m. Sunday. Office Hours: 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Monday-Friday.

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

CHRISTIAN

♦ **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 Culepepper, 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.

Religion

Homecoming service slated

SEBRING — Homecoming 2013 at Sparta Road Baptist Church will take place Sunday, May 19. Rev. Jack White has been invited to preach the Homecoming message this year.

The day of celebration will include a fellowship meal with the church providing chicken and guests bringing a covered dish. Everyone is invited to attend this annual event.

For more information, call the church at 382-0869 or the pastor at 273-2491. The church is at 4400 Sparta Road.

Covenant Presbyterian slates upcoming events

SEBRING — Joel Urban leads a study based on the book "Great Words" by Jack L. Arnold at Covenant Presbyterian Church.

The Men's Bible study will next

meet at 6 p.m. Monday. They are studying the book "Ephesians" by John Stott.

SonWest Roundup Vacation Bible School is just around the corner. It will be from Monday-Friday, June 10-14; call the church at 385-3234 for details.

The Highlands County Community Prayer Vigil and Global Day of Prayer Gathering will be from 6-8 p.m. Sunday at First Presbyterian Church in Sebring.

St. Agnes celebrates

SEBRING — St. Agnes Episcopal Church will celebrate the Day of Pentecost this Sunday at the Solemn Holy Eucharist. The Day of Pentecost marks the coming of the Holy Spirit and the birth of the Christian Church.

Also on this day, the parish will celebrate the 40th anniversary of Father Fernsler's ordination of Word and Sacrament. There will be a reception in the parish hall

Snapshots

immediately following the Holy Eucharist.

Crossroads Fellowship to host two keynote speakers

SEBRING — Crossroads Fellowship Church, 605 State Road 66, will host the following meetings:

John Mulinde, author of "The Wake Up Call", will be speaking at 6 p.m. Sunday. Mulinde is head of World Trumpet Missions, based in Kampala, Uganda, with additional staff in Orlando. He is a Transformation Associate in George Otis' network and serves on the international board for Tom Hess's Jerusalem House of Prayer in Israel.

At 10 a.m. Tuesday, Bill Otten will speak. Otten is the founder of Lifeline International, a ministry that has touched more than 40

nations providing ministry, equipment, literature, finances and other forms of practical help to churches and ministries around the world.

For information, call 655-0212.

Bradenton Stake Conference is this weekend

The annual Bradenton Stake Conference of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints will be held Saturday and Sunday. On Saturday, all meetings will be held at the Bradenton chapel. A Priesthood Leadership meeting will be from 4-6 p.m. Dinner will be served to Priesthood members who attended and their spouses. At 8 p.m., the General Adult Session will be held. Two General Authorities will be in attendance at this conference.

At 10 a.m. Sunday, the Sunday General Session will be broadcast at the Sebring ward. General Authorities will be addressing all

members and guests.

County participates in prayer vigil

SEBRING — Highlands County Community Prayer Vigil and Global Day of Prayer gathering will be from 6-8 p.m. Sunday at First Presbyterian Church, 319 Poinsettia Ave.

Join us as the group prays connecting with millions praying globally and locally for unity in the body of Christ, healing and strengthening of families in the communities, wisdom and strength for the schools' leadership and teachers, and protection of the youth. Participants will also agree together for the success of the businesses, protection and strength for the government. Community praise and worship teams will be ministering.

For more information, call 386-0005.

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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: theway-church@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 congregations 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 christ-lutheranavonpark.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 services. First Worship service, 9 a.m.; Second Worship service, 10:45 a.m. Nursery (up to 2 years old) and Sunday school classes both hours. BFC Youth, 6 p.m.; Evening Service, 6 p.m. Wednesday: Children, ages 4 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.bfcsebring.com. Church office 385-1024.

◆ **Calvary Church**, 1825 Hammock Road, Sebring, FL 33872; 386-4900. An independent community church. Sunday morning worship, 10 a.m.; Bible study, 11:15 a.m.; Sunday evening service, 6 p.m. Pastor Lester Osbeck. A small friendly church waiting for your visit.

◆ **Christian Training Ministries Inc.**, on Sebring Parkway. Enter off County Road 17 on Simpson Avenue. Sunday service is at 10 a.m.; Wednesday Bible study at 7 p.m. A nursery and children's church are provided. The church is part of Christian International Ministries Network, a full gospel, non-denominational ministry. Linda M. Downing, minister, lindadowning@live.com. Casey L. Downing, associate minister, casey-downing@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

◆ **Faith Center West Ministry**,

"Restoring Lives, Families & Communities." In the Banyan Plaza at 2349 U.S. 27 South, Sebring, FL 33870. Pastors Leroy and JoAnn Taylor the public to worship on Sundays at 11 a.m. for Praise & Worship and on Wednesdays at 7 p.m. for Bible study and prayer. Children classes are available for all services. Ministries for youth, men and women are held throughout the month. Please attend these Spirit-filled services. "Moving Forward in Unity". Church office, 385-1800 or 655-2748.

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

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

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

◆ **Unity Life Enrichment Center**, new location, 10417 Orange Blossom Blvd. S., Sebring, FL 33875; 471-1122; e-mail unity@vistanet.net. Web site, www.unityofsebring.org. 10:30 a.m. Sunday Celebration Service, Nursery and Children's Church. Weekly Classes, Christian Bookstore and Cafe, Prayer Ministry, Life Enrichment Groups. Rev. Andrew C. Conyer, senior minister transforming lives from ordinary to extraordinary.

PRESBYTERIAN

◆ **Covenant Presbyterian Church (PCA)**, 4500 Sun 'N Lake Blvd., Sebring, 33872-2113. A Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America. Sunday morning worship: 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.cpsebring.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@strato.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.fpcpl.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 Sstudy 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: avonparksda@embarqmail.com, Sabbath School, 9:30 a.m. Saturday. Church Service 10:45 a.m. Saturday. Wednesday prayer meeting 7 p.m. Community Service hours on Tuesday and Thursday is from 9:00 a.m. till 2 p.m. A sale takes place the first Sunday of each month. Senior Pastor 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.discov-erjesus.org

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

THE CHURCH OF LATTER DAY SAINTS

◆ **The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints**, 3235 Grand Prix Dr., Sebring, FL 33872; (863) 382-9092 Steve Austin, Bishop; Mark Swift, 1st Counselor; Del Murphy, 2nd Counselor. Family History Center (863) 382-1822. Sunday Services: Sacrament Meeting, 10-11:10 a.m.; Gospel Doctrine, 11:20 a.m. to noon; Priesthood/Relief Society, 12:10-1 p.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 Hellig, 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.

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Jolie admired for bravery in mastectomy revelation



MCT

Angelina Jolie had three surgeries to remove her breasts and get implants after she learned she was highly likely to develop breast cancer.

By JOCELYN NOVECK
AP National Writer
NEW YORK — “I hope that other women can benefit from my experience,” Angelina Jolie wrote in a powerful op-ed article Tuesday, explaining her decision to go public with having her breasts removed to avoid cancer.

But amid the accolades for the film star’s courageous revelation, doctors and genetic counselors were careful to note that her medical situation — an inherited genetic mutation putting her at high risk of breast and ovarian cancer — was very specific, and that her course of action made sense for only a small category of women.

Still, they hailed her bravery and said that she would surely help increase awareness — and thus, perhaps, help save some lives.

“Having this conversation empowers us all,” said Rebecca Nagy, a genetic counselor who works frequently with women who test positive for a defective version of the BRCA1 gene, as Jolie did. “It’s wonderful what she’s done.”

In a stunning op-ed piece in the New York Times,

Jolie, 37, began by speaking of her late mother, Marcheline Bertrand, who died of cancer at 56, before she was able to meet most of her grandchildren.

The actress revealed that beginning in February, she underwent three surgeries — which she succeeded in keeping secret from the public — in which her breasts were removed, and later replaced by implants.

“I wanted to write this to tell other women that the decision to have a mastectomy was not easy. But it is one I am very happy that I made,” Jolie wrote. “My chances of developing breast cancer have dropped from 87 percent

to under 5 percent. I can tell my children that they don’t need to fear they will lose me to breast cancer.”

The actress also hinted that she might, at some point, have her ovaries removed, saying that she had “started with the breasts” because her risk of breast cancer was higher than that for ovarian cancer. She did not say how long ago she was diagnosed with the faulty gene.

While admiring Jolie’s

straightforwardness, cancer surgeons and others in the medical community were quick to point out that hereditary cases of breast cancer account for only about 5 percent to 7 percent of all cases diagnosed each year. And those connected to the BRCA1 and BRCA2 genes are an even smaller group.

And so, women shouldn’t just run off and get tested for those genes, said Dr. Robert Shenk, medical director of the Breast Center at the University Hospitals Case Medical Center in Cleveland.

“My worry is that people will be inappropriately test-

ed,” said Shenk. “Awareness is great, but people shouldn’t just run in off the street and get a test.”

Instead, he said, genetic counseling, including a close review of a patient’s family history, is crucial. Nagy, the genetic counselor, who is also president of the National Society of Genetic Counselors, agreed.

“The clues are in the family history. Has there been cancer in multiple generations?” she said. “Are there clusters of cancers, like breast and ovarian, on the same side of the family? Has the cancer been diagnosed at an early age — under 50?”

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Angelina Jolie

Religion

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Holistic Health and Wellness Fair is May 20-24

SEBRING — Mini seminars addressing holistic health and wellness will be spotlighted during this week of mini seminars and demonstrations. Each evening, one or two local health and wellness practitioners will share insights into their areas of expertise and will introduce, guide and demonstrate the benefits in a variety of ways.

The mini seminars are open to the public and will be held between 6:30-8:30 p.m. each evening. There is a suggested donation of \$20 per evening, however no one will be turned away. Scholarships are also available.

The schedule is as follows:

- Monday: Chris Williams will present “The Basics of Meditation” and Judiana Albertson will speak on the subject of “Breath-work.”

- Tuesday: Lynn Theil will demonstrate how to use “Reiki” and “Energy

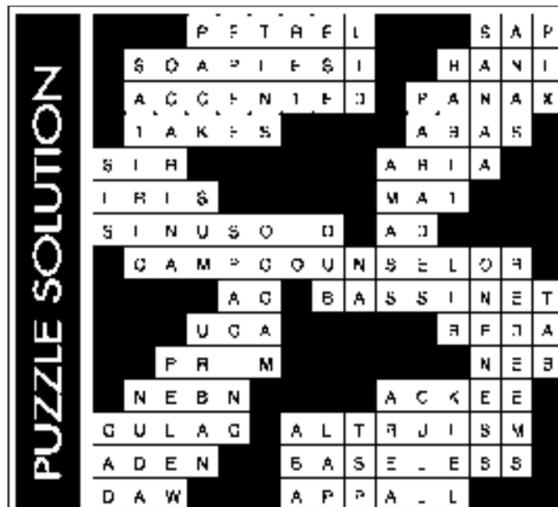
Healing” to promote physical health.

- Wednesday: E.F.T. (Emotional, Freedom Technique) practitioner Janet Ripley will give an overview on “How To Care and Feed Your Energy Body.” A variety of techniques including E.F.T. and sound vibrations will be explored.

- Thursday: Steve Safrans will share a wide variety of disciplines from ancient healing modalities to how flower essence, reflexology, and color therapy enhance wellness.

- Friday, May 24: Sally McDougal will present an introduction to Tai Chi for those with physical limitations. Bill Jones will offer insights in how EFT and the Power of the Spoken Word work together to promote healing in the body and how it helps transform lives.

The seminar series is produced by local holistic practitioners and will be held at Unity Life Enrichment Centre, 10417 S. Orange Blossom Blvd. For more information contact Chris Williams at 471-1122 or email Unity@Vistanet.net.



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Diversions/Puzzles



Dear Abby

RV's need room to roam

Dear Abby: It's vacation time again, time to hit the road in the RV. Please make your readers aware that people driving motorhomes, towing fifth-wheel trailers and travel trailers cannot stop as quickly as a small car or truck.

When people cut in front of an RV or a large truck and slam on their brakes, it puts many people's lives in danger. There is a reason we leave that large space between our RV and the vehicle in front of us. It provides us room to stop as well as the ability to see what's happening in the traffic ahead.

Your readers should also know that even though we RV-ers have mirrors and possibly rear video cameras, there are many blind spots - especially if the car behind us is following too close or weaving in and out of lanes.

The bottom line is: Be safe. Be courteous. Drive like your life and the lives of others are in your control because it is literally true.

- Happy Camper, Pasco, Wash.

Dear Happy Camper: I'm glad you wrote because I have received several letters recently, asking me to alert my readers about the risk of driving too close to RVs and fifth-wheel vehicles. Too many motorists don't realize that it's impossible to stop suddenly while pulling a load that weighs several tons. A word to the wise ...

Dear Abby: I have a friend who was raised Catholic. I'm not Catholic, and every time I attend a wedding or funeral for one of her family members I feel uncomfortable and awkward. I often sit in the very back pew to go unnoticed.

The Catholic Church offers beautiful, unique customs that I am simply ignorant about. I feel if I don't comply with customs at these events, I might come off as rude or disrespectful. On the other hand, if I do try, my ignorance may appear just as rude and disrespectful.

What is the right thing to do in situations like these? I want to be respectful of any religion.

- Mannerly in Indiana

Dear Mannerly: No rule of etiquette demands that you participate in the rituals of another person's religion. If you feel uncomfortable sitting while others kneel or stand, then follow their lead. Or, continue to sit quietly at the back of the church as you are doing, which is perfectly acceptable.

However, only members of the congregation in good standing should take communion.

Write Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069.

At The Movies: 'Star Trek Into Darkness'



Chris Pine (left) returns as James Kirk and Zachary Quinto stars as Mr. Spock in 'Star Trek Into Darkness.'

Going not so boldly into rehash zone

By DAVID GERMAIN AP Movie Writer

'Star Trek Into Darkness' is like fan-boy fiction on a \$185 million budget. It's reverential, it's faithful, it's steeped in "Trek" mythology.

It's also an excessively derivative what-if rehash of themes and interactions that came before, most of the characters lesser copies and even caricatures of the originals. The scenario's been hijacked and rejiggered from better "Trek" plots of decades ago, the best verbal exchanges lifted nearly verbatim from past adventures.

In short, the new chiefs of Starfleet aren't coming up with much to call their own.

They pile on the spectacle in a way that's never been seen before in "Star Trek," whose old big-screen incarnations were so notoriously underfunded they had to go back and borrow props, miniatures and visual effects from previous installments. The action in "Into Darkness" is top-notch, the visuals grand, though the movie's needless conversion to 3-D muddies the images.

But the heart is, well, halfhearted, as though the people of the 23rd century are there to mouth the standard logic-vs.-emotion, needs-of-the-many-vs.-needs-of-the-few patter of "Star Trek" to count time before the next space battle or ray-gun shootout.

Director J.J. Abrams was most definitely not a fan-boy for this franchise when he made 2009's "Star Trek," which reintroduced Kirk, Spock and the rest of the starship Enterprise gang with a time-travel twist that allowed the William Shatner-Leonard Nimoy original to coexist with an entirely different destiny for the new players.

Abrams grew up a fan of

'Star Wars,' the next space saga he'll be reviving with the launch of a third trilogy. But his key collaborators, screenwriters Robert Orci, Alex Kurtzman and Damon Lindelof, are "Trek" fan-boys to their marrow. They know this world, they love this world, and like many fans, they have a particular fixation on 1982's "Star Trek: The Wrath of Khan," the best that the franchise has ever had to offer, on the big-screen or TV.

The 2009 reboot replayed and tweaked elements con-

of half-Vulcan First Officer Spock (Zachary Quinto), who's willing to sacrifice his life to stick to the Starfleet playbook.

It's clear these two young'uns don't play well together, but just as the space brass is about to split them up, Starfleet is hit by savage terrorist attacks by mysterious desperado John Harrison (Benedict Cumberbatch). Kirk, Spock and their Enterprise crew are dispatched to take Harrison out with weapons that could prove the mother of all drone strikes, maintaining the usual see-how-relevant-we-are conceit of the "Trek" cosmos.

But loyalties slip and shift as the Enterprise uncovers the strange history of Harrison and his connections to a hawkish Starfleet admiral (Peter Weller).

Along the way, Spock hits some speed bumps in his romance with Zoe Saldana's beautiful and brilliant Lt. Uhura, while Kirk meets Alice Eve's beautiful and brilliant Dr. Carol Marcus ("Wrath of Khan" fans well know who she is and her importance to "Star Trek").

The rest of the gang keeps up their routines. Curmudgeonly Dr. McCoy (Karl Urban) gripes and moans, helmsman Sulu (John Cho) ably steers the ship, navigator Chekov (Anton Yelchin) does his precocious shtick and engineer Scott (Simon Pegg) works his technical miracles.

As Abrams moves on to "Star Wars," it falls to some next-generation filmmaker to carry on "Star Trek" should more sequels follow. Abrams hasn't really guided the franchise into deep space, but he leaves it in a good place for successors to tell some rip-roaring sci-fi stories, without relying on reruns of old "Trek" moments.



Movie Review

'Star Trek Into Darkness'

Rating: PG-13 (intense sequences of sci-fi action and violence)

Running time: 132 minutes

Review: ★★ (of 4)

nected to "Wrath of Khan," and "Into Darkness" mines that vein further. Some of that revisitation is cool in an alternate-history way, but the filmmakers remain so closely in orbit around yesterday's "Star Trek" that they wind up zigzagging fitfully through the Enterprise's greatest hits.

"Into Darkness" opens with a splashy action sequence to again show the cockiness of Capt. James Kirk (Chris Pine) — with his willingness to flaunt the rules — and the icy intellect

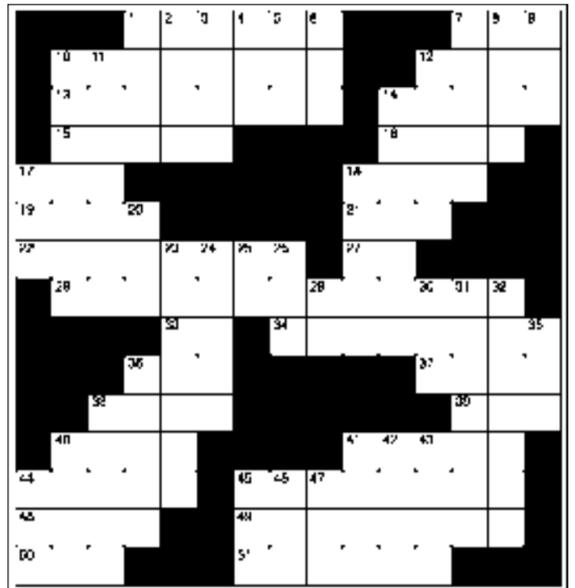
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CORN RESTAURANT
DICE SAUCE
DIPPING SOUR CREAM
ENTERTAINING SPICY
FESTIVE TACO
HEAT TOMATOES
HERBS TOPPING
HOMEMADE TORTILLA

Find the words hidden vertically, horizontally & diagonally throughout the puzzle.



CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Famous
2. Magic food
10. Most-supermarket
12. Icelandic island
13. Svessee pronunciation
14. Götting genus
15. States
16. Uses Arab garments
17. Food of aspen
18. Opened sea
19. Healed his seven
21. Reluctant as host covering
22. Sire's wife
23. In the face of our Lord
24. Dams repairman supervisor
25. Cuzco's institution
31. Italian verb
32. Elderly ends
33. English monk 672-735
34. Spiteful
35. Precise and midsize
36. The heat of a fire
40. Fruit that is one part 'N' of
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42. Eighty-six
44. Sashat political prison camp
45. Involves stress
46. Not an herb
47. Unappreciated
48. Diving suit
49. Male anatomist

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Citizen, female
2. Leaning sword
3. Varieties
4. A way to drink it
5. Part of a way between 1 and 2
6. Ciliated, eardrum-like
7. Number capital
8. Antiques store & album
9. Photography
10. Eggs of only one female
11. Regulated instrument
12. Exploited customer
13. St. Patrick's Mass's host
14. Rose
15. Female sibling
16. Gator-like reptile
17. Total
18. Allowance for interest
19. Medieval philosopher
20. Lumber dealer
21. Artist with long hair
22. Sashat
23. Women's movement
24. Spiteless
25. Name of the river
26. Italian restaurant
27. Old city
28. Roman numeral 10
29. Class of four people
30. Flighty youth
31. The color of the sky
32. Firmly put back into a
33. Child's disease
34. Fruit of the tree
35. One part of a box
36. TV - CBS
Solution, B10

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Determine the code to reveal the answer!

Solve the code to discover words related to roses. Each number corresponds to a different letter. (Hint: 7 = a)
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C. 2 25 21 7 3
D. 21 6 15 8 24 22

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Fresh herbs flavor the day

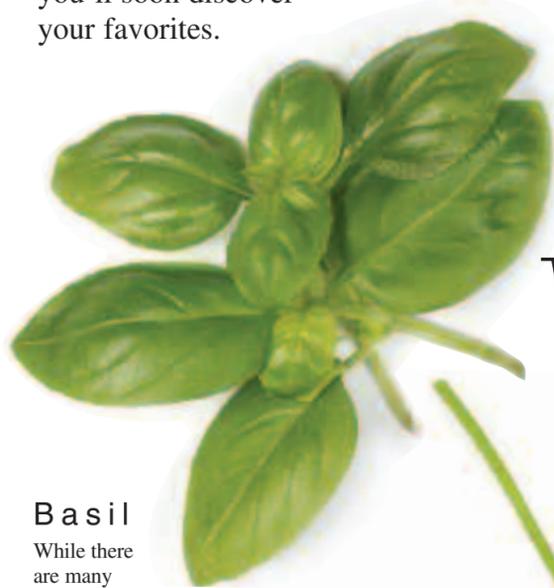
Lisa Abraham, Akron Beacon Journal

If your knowledge of parsley, sage, rosemary and thyme begins and ends with Simon & Garfunkel, this is the perfect time of year to get to know fresh herbs.

Fresh herbs add a powerful punch of flavor to a variety of dishes. The trick is to know which herbs work best to enhance foods without overpowering them.

Here are 15 herbs worth getting to know. Experiment with them in cooking and you'll soon discover your favorites.

flavor with verdure



Basil

While there are many varieties, the large green leaves of sweet basil are the most common. It has a slight anise flavor and is a favorite paired with tomatoes or tomato sauces. It also works well on vegetables and in salads, but it's bold enough to stand up to grilled meats. Use it on pizza, to flavor oils and vinegars or turn it into pesto to spread on bread or mix with pasta.

Cilantro

It's that love-it-or-hate-it flavor so prevalent in Mexican food. To some, it tastes like soap. To others, it is as fresh as parsley. This leaf of the coriander plant is perfect for salsa and guacamole, in Thai cuisine and in some Indian dishes. It can be used in soups and turned into pesto.



Chervil

Often referred to as gourmet parsley, it is used widely in French cuisine. Its taste is similar to parsley, but with a slight anise background. Because it's mild, use it on foods that are easily overpowered by stronger herbs, like fish, chicken and eggs, and in combination with other herbs.

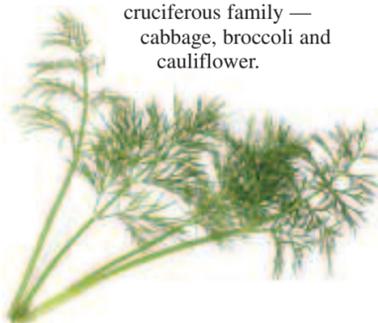


Chives

Chives are the miniature version of scallions so use them in any dish that would be improved by their onion flavor. Their tiny size makes them perfect for chopping as a garnish on appetizers, or tossing with potatoes, in salads, in sauces, dips, and in eggs and herb butters.

Dill

Most of us first experience the flavor of dill in pickles. It's a favorite in sour cream dip for vegetables and with fish. But it also pairs well with a variety of fresh vegetables, including green beans, cucumbers and members of the cruciferous family — cabbage, broccoli and cauliflower.



Chervil

Fennel

Known for its anise flavor, fennel fronds can be used for seasoning fish or in sauces and salads. The seeds from the herb are common for flavoring sausage, sauerkraut, pickles and breads.



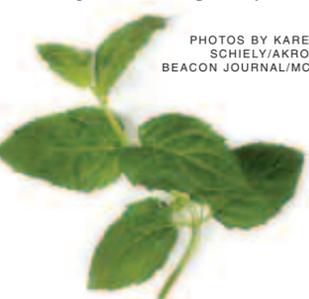
Marjoram

Similar to oregano but subtler, marjoram can add flavor to a wide variety of meat dishes, from beef, pork and lamb to poultry and even some fish. Use it on vegetables and in soups and stews.



Mint

Its flavor is well known, as mint can be used in everything from drinks to dessert. It stands out when paired with lemon. Stir it into yogurt or sour cream for sauces. Use it in salads and teas and for seasoning red meat, especially lamb.



Oregano

Prominent in Italian and Greek cooking, this herb can be pungent. So use it in lots of Italian dishes, including tomato sauce, on pizza and in pasta, but go easy as its strong flavor can easily overpower food.



Parsley

While fresh and green isn't a flavor, it is the best way to describe the taste of parsley. Parsley — flat leaf or curly — brightens every dish and provides a fresh balance for even the heaviest of flavors. For full impact, sprinkle chopped fresh parsley onto a finished dish, not into a dish that is cooking.



Rosemary

It tastes woody with notes of pine. Its strong flavor stands up well to substantial dishes like leg of lamb, beef roast and roasted chicken, but you'll also find it in breads and butters, where it stands out against the plain background.



Sage

When dried, sage is that highly recognizable flavor associated with poultry stuffing or pork sausage. Fresh sage has a subtler flavor and works well for seasoning meats, particularly pork and poultry. Fresh sage leaves, fried in browned butter, are a classic pasta sauce.



Savory

Summer savory is the more popular annual herb (a winter variety is stronger). It is full-flavored, herby and piquant. It's good for adding life to mild-tasting dishes, like chicken or delicate fish. Savory is also popular in Italian cuisine.

Tarragon

There are several types, but French is considered the best for cooking. It has an anise flavor and works well to flavor sauces of all varieties, vinegars, poultry dishes, eggs, green beans and other vegetables.



Thyme

The workhorse of herbs; there are few dishes that won't be improved by a little thyme. It works well with all meats, is good in slow-cooked soups, stews, casseroles and any number of vegetable dishes. It is excellent with lemon, which enhances thyme's own lemony tones, and it pairs well with tomatoes.



Summer Savory

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