



### Dueling banners

Signs made by both backers of Anderson and Deleon are presented

INSIDE, A2

## Former AP cop, city at odds over trips

*AP city manager denies city vehicles used improperly*

By BARRY FOSTER

*News-Sun correspondent*

AVON PARK – Private investigator and former Avon Park police officer Dan Burke is questioning whether city officials have improperly used their city-owned vehicles, charges that City Manager Julian Deleon said are “pettiness.”

Burke was supposed to be on the agenda for Thursday’s city council meeting, but Deleon pulled him from it.

Burke apparently followed Deleon, Administrative Services Director Maria Sutherland and Administrative Services Coordinator Brenda Sliva to a Polk County

See VEHICLE, A4



Metro

## Florida orange crop drops 9%

*Special to the News-Sun*

LAKELAND – The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) issued its final forecast Thursday pegging the 2012-2013 Florida orange crop at 133.4 million boxes, down 9 percent from last season.

To arrive at the total, the USDA cut Valencias by 700,000 boxes to 66.3 million boxes while early-mid varieties climbed 100,000 boxes to 67.1 million.

“This year’s crop really shows the dev-

See ORANGE, A4

### Index

Business B5

Classifieds A9

Community Briefs A2

Crossword Puzzle B11

Dear Abby B11

Editorial & Opinion A3

Obituaries A5

Sports on TV B2

Sudoku Puzzle B9



Rain, T-storms  
High 88  
Low 72

Details, A1S



0 90994 01007 9

Jasone DeWitt will take over the Sebring baseball program

SPORTS, B1



# A celebration of heritage

## Artist Keith Goodson working on Lake Placid's 44th mural

By ROD LEWIS

*Special to the News-Sun*

LAKE PLACID — Artist Keith Goodson is dodging rain and wiping sweat to give Lake Placid its 44th mural.

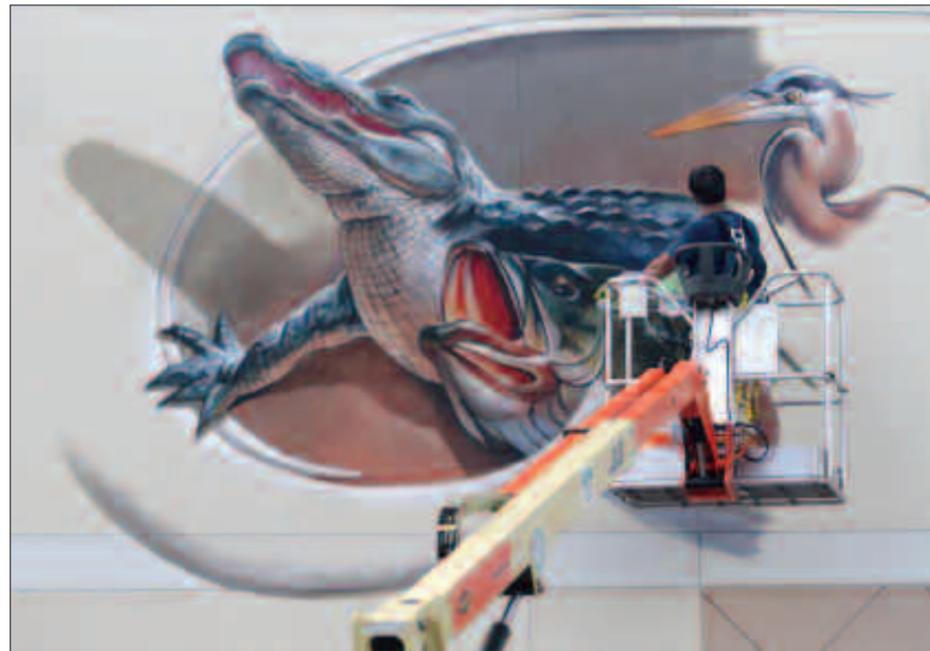
The artist is busy painting his latest creation — his 12th mural in Lake Placid — on the Walgreens building at U.S. 27 and Interlake Boulevard. The painting will incorporate elements that help make Lake Placid the interesting place that it is.

“Celebrate Lake Placid” will include an alligator, a blue heron, a bass, an eagle, a Florida panther, oranges, the founding fathers of Lake Placid, a Native American in a canoe and, of course, a caladium.

When asked which was his favorite Goodson, quipped “the next one that I do” before admitting his favorite is the one called “Bassin’.”

Goodson said that his biggest challenge in doing a mural is Mother Nature.

“The rain as well as the heat,” he said. “Stucco walls absorb heat, so you get a lot



Artist Keith Goodson works on his new mural, ‘Celebrating Lake Placid,’ which is on the Walgreens building at U.S. 27 and Interlake Boulevard. Above is a rendering of the final scene.

Rod Lewis/News-Sun

more heat when you are on the wall then when you are off the wall. The reflection is also a challenge so you get a good pair of polarized glasses.”

“Height can be a challenge because everything has to be OSHA compliant,” he added.

“Celebrate Lake Placid” will not be the first mural at that

location. When Walgreens came to town, the building that was on the property had to be

See MURAL, A4

## SNL fire crew sent home 11 days early

*West Sebring VFD now handling fire duties for district*

By CHRISTOPHER TUFFLEY

*christopher.tuffley@newssun.com*

SEBRING — Firefighters for the Sun 'N Lake district arrived at work Friday morning to discover their jobs were being terminated as of 3 p.m.

Closing the station has been discussed for about a year as the district and county looked to save money by shifting responsibilities to the West Sebring Volunteer Fire Department, but the last day was apparently set as July 23 until Friday’s announcement.

“This should not be a surprise to anyone, except that we moved up the date,” District Administrator Michael Wright said Friday afternoon.

When asked why the date was moved up, Wright only said, “It was just a decision we made.”

Sun 'N Lake has been hiring full-time, paid firefighters from other departments to work part time for eight-hour daytime shifts,

See SUN 'N LAKE, A5



KATARA SIMMONS/News-Sun

South Florida State College student volunteer Guliette Perez and Owen Harris, 5, work together to plant flowers Friday afternoon at Cracker Trail Elementary School.

## Butterflies are elementary

*4-H, Master Gardners team up on butterfly garden project*

By CHRISTOPHER TUFFLEY

*christopher.tuffley@newssun.com*

SEBRING — While threatening black clouds gathered in the east Friday afternoon, about 10 students at Cracker Trail Elementary School’s summer program happily dug holes.

They were planting a butterfly garden with the help of the 4-H and the county’s master gardener program. It was a part of a larger, 4-H

countywide effort.

Deputy sheriffs and a school custodian sparked the idea, said Jackie Harris, a teacher at Avon Elementary School and the 4-H leader who came up with the project.

She had never thought about butterfly gardens until one day the deputies arrived at Avon Elementary regarding an overgrown, unkempt garden that created line-of-

sight issues. That was when she discovered it had been a butterfly garden. A school custodian told Harris each elementary school had one in the past, but now they were mostly neglected and overrun with weeds.

Harris explained that every year the 4-H organizes a countywide community service project for its stu-

See BUTTERFLIES, A4

locally owned community minded



Avon Park  
800 West Main St.  
863.453.6000

FDIC

Lake Placid  
600 U.S. Hwy 27 N.  
863.699.1300

www.heartlandnb.com

Sebring  
327 U.S. Hwy 27 N.  
863.386.1300

Sun 'n Lake North  
5033 U.S. Hwy 27 N.  
863.386.1322



# Dueling banners at AP council meeting

By BARRY FOSTER

News-Sun correspondent

AVON PARK — There were two banner presentations at the Thursday night special meeting of the Avon Park City Council. The first came from resident Doris Millier, the wife of former city councilman Paul Miller.

Saying there had been “a lot of talk” about Avon Park City Manager Julian Deleon that “simply, simply is not true,” Miller said she and her friend Doris Smith had a banner made in support of the city manager.

Miller presented the banner noting Deleon’s accomplishments, including lower municipal debt, annexation of property into the city, reduced taxes and a recycling program.

She said there were “many new businesses that had opened their doors” to sign the banner.

The two had taken the banner around to have it signed by local citizens. Some agreed, some did not. However, Miller assured the council that the signatures represented many of the business and community leaders of the City of Charm.

Miller was thanked by Deputy Mayor Brenda Gray Giles, who officiated at the meeting in the absence of Mayor Sharon Schuler, who was recovering from surgery.

Later, a similar banner was presented in support of Avon Park city councilman Garrett Anderson. The



Avon Park City Manager Julian Deleon and city Administrative Services Director Maria Sutherland pose under a banner presented Thursday in support of Deleon.



City Councilman Garrett Anderson (right) and James Anderson hold up the banner presented Thursday to Garrett Anderson by his supporters.

poster was made by citizens who had heard about Miller and Smith’s effort in support of Deleon and wanted to make their side of the issue known

Instead of having the banner signed before giving it to Anderson, it was sug-

gested that he hang it in his place of business so that those who wanted to come by and express their support could do so.

Anderson and Deleon have had several disagreements both inside and outside council chambers.

## Community Briefs

### APHS Pool opens to public

AVON PARK — The pool at Avon Park High School has set Open Swim Dates and Times beginning Tuesday.

The pool will be open from 9-11:30 a.m. Monday-Friday, as well as 1-3 p.m. and 4-6 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

The cost is \$2 per swimmer.

### Sunny Serafino headlines Scribes Night Out

SEBRING — Today’s Featured Reader at Scribes Night Out (SNO) is Sunny Serafino, well known for her many award-winning books, especially her “Christian novels about women, courageous women.”

Serafino also conducts writing classes and workshops. Asked if an award makes a book special, she said, “I like to think it was special because it reached the heart and soul of the reader; that there was something real, unique or compelling about the story and the characters which made it special.”

SNO starts at 6 p.m. today at Brewster’s Coffee House, just south of Home Depot on U.S. 27. The group’s schedule is to gather on the second and fourth Sundays of the month at 6 p.m. at Brewster’s. The event is free of charge and is open to the public.

Serving as the moderator

for July is Art Lefkowitz, who invites local writers, published or not, to participate in the “Open Mike” portion of the session. This allows other authors to briefly share their works.

“We also invite folks who just want to listen,” he says.

Refreshments will be on sale. For more information, call Lefkowitz at 385-1554.

### Barbecue benefits Humane Society

LAKE PLACID — A pulled pork dinner will be served from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. today at the Lake Placid Masonic Lodge, 102 N. Main Ave., with proceeds

going to the Highlands Humane Society. The cost is \$8 and includes cole slaw, baked beans, bread, drink and desert. There will be musical entertainment provided by Jake Riley.

Donations of dog and cat food, cleaning supplies and donations of cash will also be accepted.

For information call Devin Wilson at 243-1356 or Jim McQuigg at 465-8185.

### FHREDI meets Monday

SEBRING — The Florida Heartland Regional

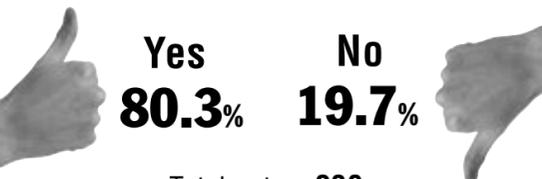
Continued on A8

### Online



### This week’s question:

Do you think that the Obama Administration’s decision to delay a major part of the ‘Obamacare’ system for a year is an attempt to influence the 2014 elections?



Total votes: 239

Poll open through Friday. [www.newssun.com](http://www.newssun.com)  
Make your voice heard at

**Next question:** Do you think cable news channels have spent too much time talking about the Zimmerman case and not enough time covering other important issues?

# Deputies warn about ‘grandparent scam’

DAYTONA BEACH (AP)

— Two central Florida grandmothers lost money in a “scam” when someone called pretending to be a grandchild in need of cash to get out of trouble.

A 78-year-old Deltona woman recently lost \$50,500 and an 82-year-old New Smyrna Beach woman lost \$1,500 in the “grandparent scam,” according to the Volusia County Sheriff’s Office.

Sheriff’s spokesman Brandon Haught is warning the public not to fall victim to such phone calls.

“The fake grandchild asks for money to be sent to him or her in another country or state where the person was supposedly arrested or in a car crash,” according to Haught.

Once the money is wired, the money and the suspect disappear. “Then the victim later finds out that the real grandchild was never in trouble or even in the place the money was sent to,” he added.

The Deltona grandmother received a call in June from someone who claimed to be her grandson.

The Daytona Beach News-Journal reports the caller said he had been in a car verses house accident and needed \$5,000 to bond out of a jail in South America. She wired the money to South America.

Over the next few weeks, a man claiming to be the grandchild’s lawyer called the victim for more money to cover mounting legal expenses and to pay the homeowner whose house was damaged.

“Finally she called her grandson directly and



Metro

Law enforcement officials are warning of a scam where someone pretending to be a grandchild in trouble calls and asks for money.

The fake grandchild asks for money to be sent to him or her in another country or state where the person was supposedly arrested or in a car crash.

Brandon Haught  
Volusia County SO

learned that he wasn’t the one who had called her,” Haught said.

In the second case, a man claiming to be the victim’s grandson called, saying he had been in an accident and had been arrested for driving under the influence in New York.

According to authorities, the woman said the young man sounded “exactly like” her grandson. She believed him when he asked for \$1,800 to cover fees.

She sent the money order and later that day contacted her grandson to find out how he was. She learned he had never been in New York.

The sheriff’s office is warning people not to fall victim to scammers. They encourage anyone who is a victim of a scam to report it to authorities.

“Before even thinking about sending money anywhere, contact the grandchild or other relative to see if the emergency story can be verified or debunked,” Haught said.

“Keep in mind that once money is sent through wire transfer, it’s gone. There is no getting it back.”

## Kaylor & Kaylor P.A.

**Social Security Disability**  
New Claims • Hearings by a Judge  
Reconsiderations • Appeals Court  
**863-382-1900**

Mark Kaylor

## Lottery Center

	<b>FLORIDA LOTTO</b>	<p><b>July 9</b> 13 17 20 23 24 30 x:2 <i>Next jackpot \$36 million</i></p> <p><b>July 6</b> 1 7 35 39 43 47 x:3 <b>July 3</b> 3 13 42 47 52 53 x:4</p>	
<b>SUNDAY eZmatch</b>	<p><b>July 12</b> 1 6 22 23 36 <b>July 11</b> 7 13 17 21 32 <b>July 10</b> 6 11 12 31 33 <b>July 9</b> 7 9 22 28 31</p>	<b>Play 4</b>	<p><b>July 12 (n)</b> 9 4 2 6 <b>July 12 (d)</b> 4 2 7 4 <b>July 11 (n)</b> 4 4 9 1 <b>July 11 (d)</b> 5 2 9 9</p>
<b>MEGA MONEY</b>	<p><b>July 12</b> 2 19 37 43 13 <b>July 9</b> 12 18 28 39 22 <b>July 5</b> 6 17 39 41 15 <b>July 2</b> 19 23 24 43 2</p>	<b>CASH 3</b>	<p><b>July 12 (n)</b> 1 3 7 <b>July 12 (d)</b> 9 7 8 <b>July 11 (n)</b> 0 3 3 <b>July 11 (d)</b> 5 8 9</p>
<b>FLORIDA POWERBALL</b>	<p><b>July 10</b> 30 31 45 55 59 <b>PB: 27</b> <i>Next jackpot \$94 million</i></p> <p><b>July 6</b> 2 13 35 36 52 <b>PB: 11</b> <b>July 3</b> 3 6 29 40 51 <b>PB: 4</b></p>		
<b>MEGA MILLIONS</b>	<p><b>July 12</b> 4 5 25 27 51 <b>MB: 10</b> x:3 <i>Next jackpot \$20 million</i></p> <p><b>July 9</b> 3 21 43 45 48 <b>MB: 14</b> x:2 <b>July 5</b> 2 23 41 47 54 <b>MB: 42</b> x:4</p>		

## Kaylor & Kaylor P.A.

**Workers Compensation Law**  
**863-382-1900**  
205 S. Commerce Ave., Sebring

Mark Kaylor

www.newssun.com

# NEWS-SUN

Highlands County’s Hometown Newspaper Since 1927

Published every Sunday, Wednesday & Friday at 2227 U.S. 27 South, Sebring, FL 33870  
A HarborPoint Media Company

<p><b>Office:</b> 2227 US 27 S, Sebring, FL 33870 <b>Office Hours:</b> 8 a.m. – 5p.m., Mon-Fri <b>Phone:</b> (863) 385-6155 <b>Main Fax:</b> (863) 385-1954 <b>Newsroom Fax:</b> (863) 385-2453</p>	<p><b>Postmaster:</b> Send address change to: News-Sun, 2227 U.S. 27 S., Sebring, FL 33870 <b>USPS - ISSN 0163-3988</b> Periodical postage paid at Sebring, FL and additional entry office(s)</p>																
<p><b>Circulation, Sunday, Wednesday &amp; Friday Editions:</b> If you do not receive your home delivered newspaper by 6 a.m., please phone the circulation department before 10 a.m. on Wednesday and Friday publications days, and before 11 a.m. on Sunday publication days. A replacement copy will be delivered to you. Subscribers who notify us after said times will be issued credit to their account.</p>	<table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <th style="text-align: left;">SUBSCRIPTION RATES</th> <th>12MO.</th> <th>7% FL TAX</th> <th>TOTAL</th> </tr> <tr> <td>HOME DELIVERY</td> <td>\$68.78</td> <td>\$4.81</td> <td>\$73.59</td> </tr> <tr> <td>IN FLORIDA MAIL</td> <td>\$102.13</td> <td>\$7.15</td> <td>\$109.28</td> </tr> <tr> <td>OUT OF FLORIDA MAIL</td> <td>\$116.58</td> <td>\$8.16</td> <td>\$124.74</td> </tr> </table>	SUBSCRIPTION RATES	12MO.	7% FL TAX	TOTAL	HOME DELIVERY	\$68.78	\$4.81	\$73.59	IN FLORIDA MAIL	\$102.13	\$7.15	\$109.28	OUT OF FLORIDA MAIL	\$116.58	\$8.16	\$124.74
SUBSCRIPTION RATES	12MO.	7% FL TAX	TOTAL														
HOME DELIVERY	\$68.78	\$4.81	\$73.59														
IN FLORIDA MAIL	\$102.13	\$7.15	\$109.28														
OUT OF FLORIDA MAIL	\$116.58	\$8.16	\$124.74														

Deadlines for subscription changes are noon on Tuesday for the Wednesday editions, noon Friday, for the Friday and Sunday editions. Changes received after the times stated will be processed on the following publication date.

Romona Washington – Publisher and Executive Editor  
(863) 385-6155, ext. 515

## Editorial &amp; Opinion

## TODAY'S EDITORIAL

## Talk to us ... we are ready to listen

Highlands County Commissioner Don Elwell is a breath of fresh air. We're not saying he walks on water. We don't agree with him on all issues. We do, however, admire him for reaching out to his constituents through bi-annual town hall meetings.

Elwell uses the time to explain issues facing the commission and listen to citizen opinions, ideas and complaints.

Elwell is different in another way — he speaks on the record, something it is extremely difficult to get elected officials to do.

A democratic government only works if its citizens are informed and involved. The more they are informed, the more involved people get.

Elwell understands this. Unfortunately, few other elected officials do.

We don't just mean the other county commissioners. We mean the constitutional officers and municipal mayors and city council members, too.

The Sheriff's Office, for example, would benefit by stepping out from

behind its curtain of secrecy. The Supervisor of Elections could help voters before the next election by holding a town meeting to explain how it works.

The Property Appraiser and Tax Collector should hold annual meetings to explain their responsibilities, what state or federal mandates they have to obey, how this year compares with the one just past and what is expected in the near future. Mayors and city councils should have informal gatherings with their constituents on a regular basis — mainly to listen, but also to answer questions.

Should specific controversial situations arise, governments and their agencies should have meetings on just the topic, like the county commission

had regarding Swamp Hammock.

We know the first thing the cynics among you will say — "Oh that's all very well and good, but do you really expect people to leave their homes to come to these meetings?"

Yes. In fact, we do. Not because we are hopelessly naive — we've seen enough official meetings where we are the only member of the audience — but because more and more citizens have been coming to Elwell's meetings. From only a handful of people at the first meeting, more than 100 took part Tuesday night.

OK, so there was free pizza and soda. But that doesn't mean the audience was there for the food.

These individuals turned out so they can be better voters and citizens. They are doing what every American should be doing, paying attention and holding their elected officials to account. The News-Sun admires and honors their commitment.

We urge our officials to open up and reach out. The public will reach back.

## NEWS-SUN

Highlands County's Hometown Newspaper Since 1927

2227 U.S. 27 South • Sebring, FL 33870 • 863-385-6155

## NEWSROOM

ROMONA WASHINGTON

Publisher/Executive Editor  
Ext. 515  
publisher@newssun.com

SCOTT DRESSEL

Editor  
Ext. 516  
editor@newssun.com

DAN HOEHNE

Sports Editor  
Ext. 528  
daniel.hoehne@newssun.com

## ADVERTISING

VICKIE WATSON

Ext. 518  
vickie.jones@newssun.com

MITCH COLLINS

Ext. 507  
mcollins@newssun.com

## BUSINESS OFFICE

JANET EMERSON

Ext. 596  
legals@newssun.com

## A trip to Sin City

As I type this, I'm sitting in my hotel room in Las Vegas, Nevada. Yes, the same Las Vegas, Nevada, that's known for its gambling and fun. Well, "fun" according to some people's definitions.

I am here because Don and I are attending a conference called Freedomfest. Freedomfest, according to its printed materials, is "the world's largest gathering of free minds." It focuses on a lot of different things, but they can probably be boiled down to two categories: financial and political.

I would tell you more about the conference except that it just started this evening and aside from mentioning how crowded the cocktail reception was (it was incredibly crowded, Don and I didn't stay) there isn't a lot to share yet. Next week I will have more to say about it.

What I do want to talk about is Vegas. This is my third visit to the city, the last one being a number of years ago. Some things have changed — for example, I don't think the hotel we're staying in, Planet Hollywood Resort and Casino, existed in its current form when I was here before. Others remain the same, such as casinos everywhere you look.

To be honest, Las Vegas isn't my favorite city. I say this not wanting to offend any of my readers who might have fond feelings for the place. I especially do not want to offend the former mayor of the city, who before he was mayor defended members of the mob in court (I am not kidding). So let me start off by saying something nice about the place.

Okay, give me a minute...

There's ... oh, no, not that...

Hmmm...

Okay, that was just me being funny. Truth be told we are in a very nice room here in Vegas which is far away from all the noise of downstairs. They have some shows that could be entertaining if Don and I had time to go to them. And the food is great, albeit expensive.

Vegas is an expensive

## Laura's Look

Laura Ware

place to visit. I admit I wonder why the Freedomfest people, who are very concerned with the financial mess our country is in, picked an expensive place like Vegas. Wouldn't Orlando work out just as well? It wouldn't have cost as much, I'll tell you that.

Unfortunately, Planet Hollywood's shows are not things Don and I would attend. One of them is advertised as a striptease. The other seems to be offering naughty comedy. This is not my kind of entertainment.

And did they have to advertise the striptease on their elevator doors? I mean, you're standing there, waiting for your elevator and have the image of three scantily clad women staring back at you. For me, a Christian, it wasn't something I found very enjoyable.

Vegas, to no one's surprise, is hot. It is, I grant you, a dry heat, as opposed to Florida, which is humid. But both will suck the energy right out of you. We did some walking on the Strip, and Don and I grew very appreciative of things like air conditioning and gelatos.

It doesn't help that while you're walking in the heat people are trying to get you to go to some sort of presentation. They offer tickets to shows and money if you'll just give them some of your time. Don and I are not fond of hard sells. We had to say "no" a lot on this walk we took.

So you probably won't find me moving to Vegas any time soon. But if you like it, that's great. I'm happy for you. Please don't tell the former mayor about this column.

Laura Ware is a Sebring resident. She can be contacted by e-mail at [bookwormlady@embarqmail.com](mailto:bookwormlady@embarqmail.com). Visit her website at [www.laurahware.com](http://www.laurahware.com). Guest columns are the opinion of the writer, not necessarily those of the staff of the News-Sun.

## EDITORIAL PAGE POLICY

Make sure to sign your letter and include your address and phone number. Anonymous letters will be automatically rejected.

Please keep your letters to a maximum of 400 words. We have to make room for everybody. Letters of local concern take priority.

Send your letter to 2227 U.S. 27 South, Sebring, FL 33870; drop it off at the same address; fax 385-1954; or e-mail [editor@newssun.com](mailto:editor@newssun.com).



## We should be watching Egypt, not Zimmerman



## Making Sense

Michael Reagan

Overseas, the Arab Spring is turning into the Arab Nightmare that everyone but the Obama administration always saw coming.

At home the Obama Crew is fighting to socialize all of America's health care system, strangling the energy industry with new emissions regulations, and being exposed for ordering federal employees to spy on each other.

And what do our mainstream media think is the most important issue of the day? The minute-by-minute play-by-play of the Zimmerman trial.

Yes sir, America.

Don't worry your little heads about the coming chaos in the Middle East. Or how the Obama administration's neutral position in the Egyptian coup is going to make it a virtual certainty Egypt will explode into a long and bloody religious civil war.

Don't worry about revelations that the federal government has been merrily intercepting our email, scanning



the envelopes of our snail mail, and collecting communications data traveling on our undersea cables.

And don't worry about the weekly slaughter of dozens of young blacks in the streets of Chicago.

What the TV media think is really important to all of us is whether "white Hispanic" George Zimmerman killed a young black kid in self defense, as he says he did, or whether Zimmerman stalked and shot Trayvon Martin because he's a racist creep and a wanna-be cop.

It doesn't matter to the TV media what the evidence is. It doesn't even matter to them whether Zimmerman is guilty of second-degree murder or

manslaughter or nothing at all.

The TV media found the perfect white-on-black crime to exploit, and it exploited it to the max, stirring up racial passions and getting the ratings they wanted.

Of course, the TV media — which have exaggerated the case far beyond its social or political importance — are saying they sure hope an innocent verdict for Zimmerman doesn't create riots in the streets.

Yeah, right.

If riots come, you can bet the TV media will be on hand en masse to fan the flames — and spike their ratings — as long as they can.

The Zimmerman trial has been covered to death by TV,

but there's little about the trial that's important to us in the long run.

It's a tragic — and rare — case that has been cynically milked and exploited by TV and professional race-baiters such as Al Sharpton.

What's important is what's happening in Egypt.

Michael Reagan is the son of President Ronald Reagan, a political consultant, and the author of "The New Reagan Revolution" (St. Martin's Press). Visit his websites at [www.reagan.com](http://www.reagan.com) and [www.michaelreagan.com](http://www.michaelreagan.com). Send comments to [Reagan@caglecartoons.com](mailto:Reagan@caglecartoons.com). Guest columns are the opinion of the writer, not necessarily those of the News-Sun staff.

# Avon Park adopts county fortune teller rules

By BARRY FOSTER

News-Sun correspondent

AVON PARK – It was a reluctant Avon Park City Council that passed its new fortune teller regulatory ordinance at a special Thursday night meeting.

Only one speaker appeared before the council during the public hearing portion of the second reading of the measure. Former Avon Park mayor Tom Macklin told the council he understood why they were taking the action but lamented the circumstances surrounding it.

“As a Christian I don’t appreciate the fact that we find ourselves in the position in society that we cannot make this type of choice for our community,” he said.

Councilman Parke Sutherland echoed those sentiments, again saying that he had received more citizen

feedback on the fortune teller ordinance than any other issue with the exception of last year’s discussion on police protection in the City of Charm. That ultimately led to the leasing out of law enforcement duties to the Highlands County Sheriff’s Office.

“I don’t know that any of us as council people are in support of this kind of business in our community,” he said. “The efforts that we take are to limit the liability and exposure to the city.”

The new municipal ordinance is a re-write of the Highlands County ordinance that regulates such things as fortune tellers, clairvoyants and soothsayers. The Highlands County ordinance was selected from a dozen such statutes enacted by various cities and counties throughout the state of Florida, presented to council

for its consideration earlier this year.

At an earlier meeting, Mayor Sharon Schuler liked the Highlands County regulations, saying they are both very specific and very time consuming for anyone who actually is interested in doing a such a business the city. She noted there are “a lot of things an applicant is going to have to do.”

Mandates include such things as fingerprinting, background checks and other information as part of the permitting process.

City Attorney Gerald Buhr said the point of the ordinance was to make certain the city does its best to prevent fraud.

Even so, the passage measure was not a unanimous vote. Councilman Garrett Anderson cast a lone “no” vote.

# Mural celebrates Lake Placid

Continued from A1

torn down to make way for the new building.

When the old building was demolished, so was the mural entitled, “Scrub Jays.” Goodson said Walgreens was approached to be involved in what the town was doing.

The management of the store liked the idea and even funded the new mural.

“The process for a new mural is complex,” Goodson said.

“First you have to have a neutral idea that all of the businesses will accept. Then we do a rendering, or a picture of what it will look like when it is finished.

We want images Lake Placid, and what makes the town unique, which has to be approved by the mural society.

“And finally we have to have the funding. Then we



Rod Lewis/News-Sun

Artist Keith Goodson says the weather is the biggest challenge to painting murals in Lake Placid.

start the process. Once it is painted we coat it with a UVC sealer that has to be repeated every few years.”

The mural should be completed in two to three

weeks, Goodson said.

For more information about Keith Goodson or to view his other projects, check out his web page at [www.KeithGoodson.com/](http://www.KeithGoodson.com/)

# Orange crop hit by greening

Continued from A1

astating effects of HLB, or citrus greening disease,” said Michael W. Sparks, executive VP/CEO of Florida Citrus Mutual. “We had severe fruit drop and a lot of citrus from stressed trees with HLB ended up on the ground.”

“If anything, this season provides stark evidence that growers, scientists and the state and federal governments need to work together to beat this disease and save the \$9 billion Florida citrus industry and the 76,000 jobs it supports.”

“The ongoing research looks positive and I’m optimistic it will ultimately find

a solution to HLB but at this time there is no cure.”

The USDA makes its initial estimate in October of each year and revises it monthly as the crop takes shape until the end of the season in July. The USDA’s initial October orange estimate for 2012-2013 was 154 million boxes. During the 2011-2012 season, Florida produced 146.7 million boxes of oranges

Visit [www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics\\_by\\_State/Florida/Publications/Citrus/cpfp.htm](http://www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics_by_State/Florida/Publications/Citrus/cpfp.htm) for the complete USDA estimate.

The 2012-2013 Florida grapefruit crop stayed at 18.4 million boxes.

Tangerines and tangelos also remained steady at 3.35 million and 1 million respectively. The yield for from concentrate orange juice (FCOJ) decreased slightly to 1.59 gallons per 90-pound box.

The Florida citrus industry creates a \$9 billion annual economic impact, employing nearly 76,000 people, and covering about 550,000 acres. Florida Citrus Mutual is the state’s largest citrus grower organization. For more information, visit [www.flcitrusmutual.com](http://www.flcitrusmutual.com). To receive winter weather updates follow FCM on Twitter.



KATARA SIMMONS/News-Sun

Master gardener Charlie Reynolds teaches youngsters Friday about butterflies and their habitat.

# Butterflies will be in attendance at Cracker Trail next year

Continued from A1

dents. Resurrecting the gardens at the elementary schools is that project for 2013. At least four elementary schools are already involved. Harris wants to hear from others as well.

“If you’re interested, we are willing to help,” she said.

Kate Stewart, assistant 4-H director for the county, Charlie Reynolds, who is with the master gardener program and head of community gardens, and Guliette Perez, a college student and

4-H alumnae, joined Harris and Stewart helping the children get the mostly native plants safely into the ground.

Butterfly gardens are excellent projects for elementary schools, Harris explained. The second-grade science curriculum studies the different animals’ cycles of life. Because butterflies go through three distinct changes as they grow, students can see a life cycle up close. “It’s a perfect learning lab,” Harris said.

It began to rain and the group moved indoors.

Reynolds brought a soft net cage. It was filled with plant cuttings on which zebra longwing caterpillars were chomping away. One or two were already in cocoons.

Reynolds lifted out caterpillars, putting them on the children’s palms. Hanna Allison, who will be going into fifth grade, made a face. “It’s ticklish,” she said.

Reynolds only smiled. “That’s the official butterfly of Florida,” he said.

Hanna still put the caterpillar down.



**E.O. Koch Construction**  
1417 Swank Avenue • Sebring, FL 33870  
**(863) 385-8649**  
COMMERCIAL & RESIDENTIAL CONSTRUCTION

Let our highly qualified staff develop your commercial property, build your dream home, or do your remodeling.

**SEAMLESS GUTTERS – Specials**

<b>5 INCH GUTTERS</b>	<b>6 INCH GUTTERS</b>
<b>\$2.99</b> PER LINEAR FOOT	<b>\$3.99</b> PER LINEAR FOOT

**Many Colors Available**

“For all of your Aluminum, Steel, and Conventional construction needs”

Email: [kochcon@strato.net](mailto:kochcon@strato.net) State Certified License #CGC1515338

if you could SPOT a

# MURDERER

BEFORE IT KILLS  
...would you?

## MELANOMA IS THE KILLER

If you do not know how to SPOT the killer, YOU could be the victim.

American Institute of Dermatology, P.A. can SPOT the killer.

Let us find it, before it finds you.

# 863-386-0786

- Darrin A. Rotman M.D.
- Julie L. Iellimo P.A.-C.
- Jennifer A. Wolf P.A.-C.





**CENTRAL FLORIDA WHEELS.COM**  
EVERYTHING AUTOMOTIVE

Find hundreds of local cars in Highlands County.

[Centralfloridawheels.com](http://Centralfloridawheels.com)

# Obituaries

**EDMOND MOSSER**  
Edmond A Mosser, 80, of Clyde, Ohio, formerly of Avon Park, Fla., passed away on Tuesday, June 25, 2013, at the Willows of Bellevue. Ed was born in Sandusky, Ohio, on April 25, 1933. On Oct. 29, 1971, he married Fran E. (Bowers) Dick.

He is survived by his wife, Fran, of 41 years; stepdaughters, Sandra Gray and Suzanne (Harry) Newsome, all of Clyde, Ohio; and sisters, Rosalyn

(Jerome) Freeh and Madelene (Robert) Hershey, all of Freemont, Ohio.  
Memorials may be made to Stein Hospice, Sandusky, Ohio, or St. Paul Lutheran Church, Clyde, Ohio. Online condolences may be made to www.auxterfuneralhms.com. Cards and letters to be mailed to Fran Mosser at The Willows of Bellevue, 101 Auxillary Drive, Bellevue, OH 44811.

**ROBERT PFEIFFER Jr.**  
Robert Fredrick Pfeiffer Jr., age 93, of Indianapolis, formally of Lake Placid, Fla., passed away Monday, July 8, 2013. He was born to the late Robert Sr. and Esther (Kahnt) Pfeiffer in Louisville, Ky., on Feb. 23, 1920. Bob married Ruth Byrer on Dec. 20, 1941. Bob served in the U.S. Army Infantry during World War II. He participated in the Battle of the Bulge under the leadership of Gen. George Patton. Bob was a Boy Scout troop leader and earned the distinguished Silver Beaver award for his dedication to Scouting. He was an avid model railroader and he loved to carve animal figures. He also loved golfing. He worked for United Telephone Company for 37

years, retiring in 1982. He was active in the American Legion and served as a commander of Post 49 in Warsaw, Ind.  
He is survived by a son, Fred Pfeiffer, and his wife, Jan; twin brother, Frank Pfeiffer; granddaughter, Theresa Reames; and niece, Sally Woidich. He also has two great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild. Bob was preceded in death by his wife; Ruth; daughter, Sandra Lea Reames; and grandson, Bryan Alan Reames.  
A private service was held. Leppert Mortuary & Crematory, Nora Chapel, assisted during Robert's passing. Memorial contributions may be made to either The American Cancer Society or The American Heart Association.

**MARY WORDEN**  
Mary Lucille Worden, age 80, passed away Wednesday, July 10, 2013 in Avon Park, Fla. Mrs. Worden was born in Sebring, Fla. to Frank I. and Inez (Geiger) Morgan. She was a homemaker and worked at the family business, Worden Realty, as a receptionist in her earlier years. A faithful member of the First Baptist Church in Avon Park, she taught Children's Sunday School for many years; she loved her church. She enjoyed spending time with her grandkids, rose gardening, cooking, playing piano and organ; she loved music. She was a giving and sharing person who enjoyed doing things for others. She was a lifelong resident of Highlands County having lived in Avon Park since 1954.



Worden

Mrs. Worden is survived by her husband of 59 years, Harold "Bud" Worden of

Avon Park, Fla.; sons, Hal Worden of Avon Park, Fla. and Gary (Tracy) Worden of Avon Park, Fla.; daughter-in-laws, Anita Worden and Tammy Worden; sisters, LaQuida Dover of Eau Gallie, Fla. and Edith Tolar of Sebring, Fla.; grandchildren, Lindsey, Grant and Danielle; grandchildren by marriage, Shasta, Darla, Mandie and Josh; and many nieces and nephews. Mrs. Worden was preceded in death by her parents, son, Frank Worden, and a sister, Ellen Morgan.  
Visitation was to be held Saturday, July 13, 2013, at First Baptist Church in Avon Park. A memorial service was held with Pastor Jon Beck and Dr. Vernon Harkey officiating. Memorial contributions may be made to the Florida Baptist Children's Home, 1015 Sikes Boulevard, Lakeland, FL 33815 or the First Baptist Church in Avon Park, Florida.

Stephenson-Nelson Funeral Home  
Avon Park, Fla. 33825  
www.stephensonnelsonfh.com

**BETTY SUE TAYLOR**  
Betty Sue Taylor, 79, of Sebring, Fla. died July 11, 2013. She was born July 6, 1934 in Hartford, Ala., moving to Sebring in 1957 from Alabama. She was a graduate of Geneva County High School. Her employments included sales clerk at Kahn's Department



Taylor

Store; secretary for John Carson, Realtor; and working in the office of Sebring High School for more than 20 years. Betty had been a member of the Sebring Jr. Women's Club and the Sebring Historical Society. For many years she played bridge in both the ladies' and couples clubs. She was a long-time faithful member of First United Methodist Church of Sebring where for a while she served as a Sunday school teacher in the elementary department and for years she served on the Communion Committee. After retirement she volunteered for 12 years at Highlands Regional Hospital in the Auxiliary as a front desk Pink Lady receptionist. She also, along with her good friend Louise Sauls, delivered Meals on Wheels for more than 15 years.

Betty was preceded in death by her parents, Charles and Eura Bottoms, and brothers, Earl, Paul and Junior, and her first husband, Billy R. Galloway. She is survived by her loving husband of 52 years, Haywood Taylor; son, Michael Taylor (Alice); and daughter, Alison. Also sisters-in-law, Kate Bottoms, Jo Commander (Bill), Reba Taylor (O.L.), and Christine Taylor. Other survivors include many dear cousins, nieces, nephews and a host of friends.

The family will receive friends Sunday from 4-6 p.m. at Morris Funeral Chapel. Funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Monday, July 15, 2013 at First United Methodist Church with Rev. A.C. Bryant officiating. Memorials may be made First United Methodist Church Building Fund, 136 S. Pine St., Sebring, FL 33870 or Sebring Historical Society, 321 W. Center Ave., Sebring, FL 33870. Morris Funeral Chapel www.morrisfuneralchapel.com.

Morris Funeral Chapel  
307 S. Commerce Ave.  
Sebring, FL 33870

# Two arrested after raid on AP home

*News-Sun staff*  
**AVON PARK** — A man and a woman were booked on several felony drug charges after a search turned up large stash of drugs and a gun in an Avon Park home.

Deputies executed a search warrant at 1442 S. Georgia Ave. at 4:24 p.m. on Thursday. Inside, they found Clifton Bernard Hall, 39, and 24-year-old Davina Andrea Bellamy.

They also reportedly found 12.7 grams of crack cocaine, 248.2 grams of marijuana, 86 MDMA pills and a stolen .357 pistol.

The cocaine was broken into small pieces and some was found stored in a small tube in Hall's pocket, while more of it was found on an electronic scale and also in a large piece that is known as a "crack cookie," the report said. The marijuana was packaged in individual bags known as "dime bags."

Both were charged with possession of a weapon by a convicted felon, grand theft

of a firearm, possession of cocaine with intent to sell, possession of marijuana with intent to sell, felony-level possession of cocaine and marijuana charges and possession of drug equipment.

Bellamy was also charged with possession of a controlled substance without a prescription and trafficking in phenethylamines of 10 grams or more.

## Seat belt leads to drug arrest

**AVON PARK** — A traffic stop for an unbuckled seat belt led to a man being charged with marijuana distribution charges on Thursday.

According to a Highlands County Sheriff's Office report, a blue Mercury was stopped at 7:59 p.m. at Canberra Circle and Marble Avenue in Avon Park when it was noted the passenger was not wearing his safety belt.

While talking to the driver, 24-year-old Rinaldo

Jaquar Walker of Avon Park, deputies noticed a smell of marijuana coming from the vehicle. A search of the car and Walker turned up a total of 128/4 grams of marijuana.

The report said 3.7 grams was found in Walker's pocket, 6.8 grams was found in plain view and another 114.4 grams was found in a bag under the passenger's seat.

Walker was charged with marijuana distribution, felony possession of marijuana and possession of drug equipment



The Least Expensive Funeral Home in Polk County is offering the same great services in Highlands County Too!!

**Natural Cremation (No Fire)**

**\$800**

Includes: Cremation, Transportation, Urn & 1 Death Certificate

**Full Service Burial**

**\$ 4250.00**

Includes: All Services, Casket & Vault

Pay your Respects! Not your Life Savings!

Crematory on premises.

Phone 24 Hours Daily  
**(863) 669-1617**

www.casketstore.net

2090 East Edgewood Dr.  
Lakeland, Florida

**SUPER SUMMER FUN PROGRAM**  
JUNE 7<sup>TH</sup> TO AUGUST 16<sup>TH</sup>  
**FREE Breakfast & Lunch!**  
Swimming For 2 Hours Everyday! • Awards • Movies • Trophies • Bowling • Mall Arcade • Martial Arts Training • And More...  
**Free Martial Art T-Shirt for first 50 Enrolled For All Weeks!**  
**\$5500 Per Week** Plus event fees  
Life Skills With a Positive Attitude!  
**Amartial arts FAMILY LEARNING CENTER**  
Located on Kenilworth Blvd., Sebring **471-2467**

Classified ads get results! Call 314-9876

**1655 Lakeview Dr. Sebring 2/2 Condo on Lake Jackson**  
Immaculate corner unit condo right on Lake Jackson! Beautifully remodeled with brand new carpet, wood flooring, tile & paint, kitchen cabinets. 7 upgraded kitchen appliances. Great location close to shopping, the cultural center, and library. Beautifully landscaped grounds surrounding the community pool. Immediate occupancy!

**TOMOKA HEIGHTS**  
Carole Polk, CRS, GRI  
**(863) 840-1083**

Reduced to **\$90,000**

**IR REALTOR®** **CRS Certified Residential Specialist**

carole@carolepolk.com • www.carolepolk.com

# Sun 'N Lake fire protection now belongs to West Sebring

Continued from page 1A

Wright said. After hours, the firefighters worked off the clock as volunteers.

The department's after-hours response rate, Wright said, was only 40 percent, because many of the firefighters are on duty elsewhere or live outside the district.

"The West Sebring Volunteer Fire Department has been covering the district after hours through mutual aid for a long time as a result," Wright said. "We're just extending their coverage to 24 hours."

The paid firefighters, however, are very upset. Lt. Craig Maranas said that everyone knew the closing was coming July 23, but were taken by surprise when it occurred 11 days early.

"I'm so upset," Maranas said. "I'm at a loss. It's really about how they did it (closing the station). There

was no warning. We were blindsided. I feel so bad for those guys."

Maranas said 11 men were affected.

The News-Sun has not been able to confirm the exact date when the new radio system replaces the old. Lt. J. P. Fane, representing the sheriff's office in the transition, said no date has been set, although it should be soon.

**Ike Lee, M.D.**  
Internal Medicine  
End of Stage Vietnam Veteran

• Board Certified in Internal Medicine  
• Board Certified in Geriatric Medicine

Accepting New Patients  
**402-0909**  
3101 Medical Way, Sebring

Follow the News-Sun on **facebook**  
www.facebook.com/newssun

**STEPHENSON-NELSON FUNERAL HOME & CREMATORY**

**Give them the RESPECT they deserve.**

Our military deserves the utmost and undivided respect. We offer the best funeral services for our Veterans, their spouses & dependent children.

**What you are entitled to:**  
(2) Burial Spaces • (2) Burial Vaults • (2) Opening and Closing of Graves  
(2) Cemetery Markers, these are guaranteed companion spaces.

**A \$5500 value, at no charge.**

- Florida National Cemetery, Bushnell, FL
- South Florida National Cemetery, Lake Worth, FL
- Sarasota National Cemetery, Sarasota, FL

THE ABOVE LISTINGS ARE THE BURIAL SITE LISTING THE FORM IS LOW AS A VETERAN'S BENEFIT INFORMATION REQUEST FORM.

**FILL OUT THIS FORM & MAIL TO ONE OF OUR TWO OFFICES.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Branch of Service: \_\_\_\_\_  
City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Age: \_\_\_\_\_

**Sebring Office:** 4001 Sebring Pkwy, Sebring, FL 33870 • 863.385.0125  
**Avon Park Office:** 111 E. Circle St., Avon Park, FL 33825 • 863.453.1011  
Locally owned & operated. Visit us on the web at www.stephensonnelsonfh.com

# Vehicle usage sparks point-counterpoint in Avon Park

Continued from A1

Sam's Club in a city-owned Dodge Durango on Friday, May 10. Burke said there had been other trips, as well.

Burke voiced concern over the length of the trip on a working day and how the items were distributed once the trio returned to Avon Park. Burke said Sutherland put a box of items into her personal car, items that Deleon said Sutherland paid for with her own money.

"Is this city business activity?" Burke asked. "Were these items not available from a local vendor? Under current IRS mileage guidelines, that 100-mile trip

cost taxpayers \$56.10 and that does not count the cost of what they purchased ..." he said.

Deleon explained to the News-Sun that the trips to buy supplies were also "team-building trips" that served as brainstorming and creative thinking strategy session meetings. The employees included in the trips are in a managerial and coordination capacity, he said.

"These individuals and I often discuss high-level thoughts. Many great ideas have materialized on the road with in-depth discussions regarding the city

being debt free by this December and reducing property taxes by 39 percent," Deleon said.

In a May 28 city council meeting, Deleon told council members they could check the gas use and mileage on city vehicles to decide for themselves if there had been any abuse.

Burke said he had done just such calculations on the city-owned Jeep assigned to Deleon.

Burke said public records show that between April 2012 and May 14, 2013 there had been 55 fuel transactions recorded for the vehicle assigned to the city

manager. Excluding weekends, holidays and days off in the 270 business days that remained, Deleon had logged just short of 23,000 miles on the car.

Burke alleged that when the 54-mile round-trip between the city hall and Deleon's home in Lake Placid was deducted, his calculations showed the city manager drove an average of 31.5 miles a day, which he said added up to \$4,488 in fuel costs.

Deleon said his city vehicle "has been used for 99 percent business and 1 percent incidental use" and said Burke's accounting failed to

take into account the fact that Deleon was serving as the city's public works director during that period, overseeing multiple projects.

Deleon said his engineering field duties are significant and require repeated field driving from his office to the field work site in designing, supervising construction and certifying more than 20,000 feet of pipe constructed by Avon Park employees and contractors along with lift station improvements, and various other city projects.

Deleon also pointed to numerous out-of-town meetings for mediations and dep-

ositions. He said those had included a number of trips to Tampa to meet with the city's labor attorney, Brian Koji.

He has also attended depositions in Sebring and Bartow.

"All of this mileage adds up, and it is all city business related," Deleon said.

As to the issue of Burke being pulled from the July 11 agenda, the city manager said, "I could care less what Mr. Burke thinks or wants, so I opted not to put him on the city council agenda. This was my call as city manager."

## Obama: Immigration overhaul can boost recovery

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Barack Obama says overhauling the nation's immigration system can provide a big boost to the economic recovery.

In his weekly Internet and radio address, Obama cites former President George W. Bush's support for a comprehensive solution on immigration. He says if Democrats and Republicans can agree on something, it's a good place to start.

The Senate has already passed a bipartisan bill. Obama says now the House must act. He says Americans should use email and Facebook and phone calls to tell their representatives to take action.

In the Republican address, Sen. Mike Enzi of Wyoming says Americans are paying the price for Obama's health care law.

**SUMMER BISTRO**

*Chicanes*

Located inside Inn on the Lakes  
3101 Golfview Rd. Sebring, FL  
863-314-0348

Tavern Tilapia  
Mussels A La Mariniere  
Murfreesboro Ribeye  
Red Hook Ale Battered Shrimp  
Orange Glazed Salmon  
Almond Crusted Chicken  
Chicken Picatta

Dinner served with a fresh baked Ciabatta Roll, Butter, and a complimentary glass of house wine.

**Early Bistro Hours:**  
Monday-Thursday: 3:00 - 7:00pm  
Friday & Saturday: 3:00 - 6:00pm  
Sunday: 12noon - 8:00pm

# WELLS MOTOR COMPANY

SINCE 1931

<p><b>2013 Jeep Patriot Latitude</b></p> <p>MSRP: \$22,430 Wells Discount: -\$1,000 <b>NO DEALER FEE:</b> \$0 Consumer Cash: -\$2,000 Fast Start: -\$500</p>	<p><b>2013 Dodge Charger</b></p> <p>MSRP: \$29,775 Wells Discount: -\$1,000 <b>NO DEALER FEE:</b> \$0 Consumer Cash: -\$2,500</p>
<p><b>2013 Jeep Grand Cherokee Laredo X</b></p> <p>MSRP: \$38,100 Wells Discount: -\$2,000 <b>NO DEALER FEE:</b> \$0 Consumer Cash: -\$1,000</p>	<p><b>2013 Dodge Journey SE</b></p> <p>MSRP: \$25,430 Wells Discount: -\$900 <b>NO DEALER FEE:</b> \$0 Consumer Cash: -\$1,500 Fast Start: -\$500</p>
<p><b>2013 Chrysler 200 Touring #5</b></p> <p>MSRP: \$23,550 Wells Discount: -\$975 <b>NO DEALER FEE:</b> \$0 Consumer Cash: -\$2,500 Fast Start: -\$500 Bonus Cash: -\$1000</p>	<p><b>2013 RAM 1500 Reg Cab</b></p> <p>MSRP: \$24,320 Wells Discount: -\$1250 <b>NO DEALER FEE:</b> \$0 Consumer Cash: -\$500 Reg Cab Bonus: -\$500 SouthEast Bonus: \$500 Trade In Assist: -\$1000</p>
<p><b>2013 Chrysler 300</b></p> <p>MSRP: \$31,140 Wells Discount: -\$1,000 <b>NO DEALER FEE:</b> \$0 Consumer Cash: -\$2,500 Bonus Cash: -\$750</p>	<p><b>2013 RAM 3500 Reg Cab/Chassis 4x4</b></p> <p>MSRP: \$42,900 Wells Discount: -\$3,800 <b>NO DEALER FEE:</b> \$0 Consumer Cash: -\$1,500 Chrysler Capital Bonus Cash: -\$1000</p>

\* PLUS TAX AND TAG, BASED ON TITLING IN SOUTHEAST BUSINESS CENTER, TRADE ASSIST IS WITH TRADE IN. CHRYSLER CAPITAL IS W.A.C. EXP. 7/20/13

# WELLS MOTOR COMPANY

DODGE // CHRYSLER // Jeep // RAM

[www.WellsMC.com](http://www.WellsMC.com)

1600 US 27 South, Avon Park, FL 33825  
453-6644 • 1-888-896-5846



0003247500-01

# THE GNOMES PROTECT ASTRID'S GARDEN.... *Dr. Beissinger protects her knees.*

*"With my new knees, I feel like I'm 30 again and I have my life back! Now the three most important men in my life are my late husband, my son and Dr. Beissinger!"*

*- Astrid Scholl  
Center for Bone, Joint & Spine Patient*

Astrid has 150 gnomes that take care of her orchids, but they couldn't take care of her ailing knees. A native of Germany's Black Forest region and a ballroom dance instructor for nearly 30 years, Astrid didn't like the idea of walking with two canes or using a wheel chair, so she put her trust in Dr. Stephen Beissinger. Now, after two knee replacements, she's able to walk up and down stairs without pain.

*"We spoke German together and connected. She's a wonderful lady and I'm so pleased we were able to get her back to her self again."*

*- Stephen Beissinger, MD*



**FLORIDA HOSPITAL  
HEARTLAND MEDICAL CENTER**

*Center for Bone, Joint & Spine*

[www.FHHeartland.com](http://www.FHHeartland.com)



# Community Briefs

Continued from A2

Economic Development Initiative, known as FHRE-DI, will meet at 10 a.m. Monday at Heartland Workforce, 5901 U.S. 27 South.

For information, call 385-4900.

## Sponsors/donors needed for program

SEBRING – Sponsors and donors are needed for the children enrolled in The Salvation Army's Back to School Clothing Program.

Stop by the office at 3135 Kenilworth Blvd. to pick up a child's apple with all the information needed for shopping. The deadline for returning the items back to The Salvation Army is Friday, Aug. 2.

For more information, call 385-7548, ext. 100.

## NARFE meets Tuesday

SEBRING – NARFE Chapter 288 of Highlands County will meet Tuesday at Homer's Buffet, Sebring Square. Lunch is at 11:30 a.m. There will not be a business meeting for the months of July and August (summer schedule only). Members will meet for an informal luncheon get together.

The business/luncheon meetings will resume Sept. 17.

All meetings are open to active and retired federal employees and their spouses.

For information, call L.R. "Corky" Dabe, president, at 382-9447.

## LPPD offers first aid, CPR classes

LAKE PLACID – The next First Aid class will be offered at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday and the next regular CPR class will be offered at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday.

Private classes for medical offices and businesses are also offered.

For information visit the website at www.lppd.com or call 699-3757

## Highlands Tea Party meets Tuesday

SEBRING – Cheryl Couture, field coordinator for "Americans for Prosperity," will be the guest speaker at The Highlands Tea Party meeting at 6 p.m. Tuesday at Homer's Restaurant. The group will gather at 5 p.m. for a buffet dinner.

Couture will give a 20- to 25-minute presentation on economic freedom that begins at the international level, rating the United States today and then brings it down to the state level, as well as about the upcoming AFP Conferences in Orlando.

Defending the American Dream is usually held in Washington, D.C. However, Florida has the opportunity to host the event this year at the Loews Pacific at Universal Studios Aug. 30-31. In addition, AFP will host the Right Online Conference simultaneously at the Loews Portofino nearby. The focus of Right Online will be new media and technology for limited government activists. A few of the speakers who have been announced are Ted Cruz, Michelle Malkin, Greg Gutfeld (comedian Fox News) and author Arthur Brooks ('The Road to Freedom'). There will be many more announced as the time gets closer.

There is a special room rate and conference rates for senior citizens and families. Visit [www.thehighlandsteaparty.com](http://www.thehighlandsteaparty.com) for more details.

## Events planned at posts, lodges

### AVON PARK

American Legion Post 69 will have karaoke by Double D from 4-7 p.m. Wednesday. Kamikaze Karaoke will be Thursday. Music by Lora Patton from 4-6 p.m. Friday. Installation of Post officers will be at 4 p.m. Saturday. Call 453-4553. Tickets available now for the July 25 dinner and music videos. Cost for the filet mignon dinner is \$14. Music will be The Grand Ole Opry.

VFW 9853 will have a fish and shrimp dinner on Friday for \$7 from 5-7 p.m. Big Freddie will provide music. Johnny B will have karaoke from 5-8 p.m. Saturday. Call 452-9853.

### LAKE PLACID

VFW Post 3880 meeting at 8 p.m. Thursday. Prime rib dinner at 5:30 p.m. Saturday. Music by Todd Allen. For information, call 699-5444.

Moose Lodge 2374 will host Jay's Karaoke today and have NASCAR on the screen. There will be a Loyal Order of the Moose meeting at 6:30 p.m., followed by meetings of the House Committee and Women of the Moose at 7 p.m. and a general meeting at 7:30 p.m. BobKat Karaoke is set for Wednesday. Frank E plays Thursday, and Red Neck Joe

Band plays Friday. Big Freddie plays Saturday. Music times from 6:30-9:30 p.m.

American Legion Post 25 will have Gary and Shirley playing from 5-8 p.m. today. Lou and Connie will play from 5-8 p.m. Wednesday. Steak Nite is Friday with Buddy Canova playing from 6:30-9:30 p.m. Installation is at 10 a.m. Saturday. Call 465-0975 for details.

### SEBRING

VFW Post 4300 will have Karaoke by BilDi from 5-8 p.m. today. VFW Post meeting at 7 p.m. Monday. Frank "E" will play music from 6-9 p.m. Tuesday. Lora Patton will play music from 5-8 p.m. Wednesday. Frank "E" will play music from 6-9 p.m. Friday. Gary & Shirley will play from 6-9 p.m. Saturday. For information, call 385-8902.

Elks Lodge 1529 will have Wacky Wednesday from 5-6 p.m. for \$6.50. Dance only for \$3 to music by Frank E. from 4:30-7:30 p.m. Friday buffet is \$10 with dance only for \$3 to music by Gary & Shirley from 6:30-9:30 p.m. Call 471-3557.

Moose Lodge 2259 will have a Women of the Moose meeting at 6 p.m. Monday. Music by Big Freddie from 6-9 p.m. Wednesday. On Thursday, the Women of the Moose Chapter 893 of Moose Lodge 2259 will have a country fried steak dinner for \$6 from 5-7 pm with DD Karaoke starting at 6. Bar Games and a 50/50 will be offered. Music by Todd Allen from 7-10 p.m. Friday. Poker Tournament at 9 a.m. Saturday. Music by Billy Glades from 7-10 p.m. Call 655-3920.

AMVETS Post 21 Ladies Auxiliary will have a bean and ham dinner for a \$5 donation from 5-7 p.m. Saturday, July 20. Music will be with Thomas McGannon from 6-9 p.m. Saturday.

## AMVETS supports Boys & Girls Club



Courtesy photo  
AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary members Bonnie Berdelle (left) and Ginny Taggart (right) present a check to Brittany Olds for the Boys and Girls Club summer program.

# Schools could get a break from FCAT standards

By GARY FINEOUT  
Associated Press

TALLAHASSEE — Seeking to ease the transition to tough new education standards, Florida could make last-minute changes to the annual school grades used by parents to evaluate how well their child's public school is performing.

Florida Education Commissioner Tony Bennett on Friday said that he wants to alter the formula used to calculate annual school grades. The A-to-F grades have been a hallmark of the sweeping education changes first put into place by then-Gov. Jeb Bush back in 1999.

The grades are used to reward top schools with additional money and sanction those that get failing marks.

Bennett recommended keeping in place a "temporary" rule first adopted last year that would limit a school grade from dropping more than one letter at a time. The state Board of Education will consider the change at a special meeting scheduled for next week.

The commissioner is responding to worries from school superintendents that recent changes to the grading system would create a large drop in the grades. The grades are based primarily on student performance on a series of high-stakes tests, but also other factors such as learning gains made by students.

Florida is currently in the middle of a transition away from the tests and standards that have been in place.

The state is scheduled to

shift over to what is known as common core standards during the 2014-15 school year. But at the same time the state has also been revising its tests — and graduation requirements even before the shift to common core takes place.

Bennett said that in order to protect the "credibility" of the state's standards and create a "glidepath" to the common core standards he was willing to make some alterations to this year's school grading formula.

"To be clear, my recommendations ... are made not to soften the blow of higher standards or to reduce the number of failing schools, but rather to advance the best policy for Florida's students and position our state for a successful transition," Bennett wrote.

## Nigerian extremist: Burn schools, kill teachers

LAGOS, Nigeria (AP) — The leader of Nigeria's extremist Islamic sect threatens to burn down more schools and kill teachers. But he denies his fighters are killing children.

Islamic radical Abubakar Shekau speaks in a video released Saturday and denies his Boko Haram group is negotiating a peace with the Nigerian government.

He says he supports fighters who have burned down several schools in northeastern Nigeria in recent weeks but that the Quran teaches one must not kill children, women and elderly people. Dozens of children have been killed.

But he says "School teachers who are teaching Western education? We will kill them! We will kill them."



Give your home a whole new look,

with Custom Window Treatments!

We offer stylish window solutions for every budget. Come in today, browse our store, and consult with our in-house interior designer. Let us show you how we can style and customize any treatment to fit your home today!

Graber Horizontal Blinds Special!

Free Upgrade to "no holes" or "cloth tape" to your Horizontal order.

Family owned & operated since 1978

• Financing Available

Established 1974  
**Griffin's**  
CARPET MART, INC.

Chamber of Commerce Member

560 U.S. 27 North • Sebring • 385-4796 • [www.CarpetPatioBlinds.com](http://www.CarpetPatioBlinds.com)

## Eric Palosky D.O.

Board Certified in Family Medicine

GERIATRIC, ADULT AND FAMILY MEDICINE

Comprehensive • Preventive & Personalized Care • Since 1990

Welcomes

**Sherry Smith**

MSN, ARNP, FNP-BC

Now Accepting New Patients Including Walk-Ins and Medicare Patients Preventive Screenings Also Available

New Office Hours: Mon. - Thurs. 7:00 - 5:00, Fri: 9:00 - 1:00

**863-385-1777**

4511 Sun 'n Lake Blvd., Suite 108 • Sebring



VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT: newssun.com 863-314-9876

# Classified

Free ad is limited to a 4-line ad that runs for 3 consecutive issues. Must be a non-commercial item. Asking price is \$100 or less. We offer 2 ads per month and can rerun the same ad 2 times in 30 days, only if it's the same ad. The price is allowed to change. All ads placed under the "Bargain Buys" discount rate must have 1 item with 1 asking price. The customer can list the ads as Chairs (2) ... \$40 for both. To list an ad stating "Each," the ad must be charged at the non-discounted rate, using the "Open Rate" pricing. No commercial items are allowed to be placed under our "Bargain Buys" specials. Items must be common household items. Ads for Pets, stating "Free to Good Home," are allowed to be placed under the "Bargain Buy" category.

## AD RATES

**GARAGE SALE**  
6 lines - 2 days  
**\$11<sup>50</sup>**

**3 days**  
**\$14**  
(additional lines \$1 each)

**MISCELLANEOUS merchandise over \$100**  
5 lines - 6 pubs  
**\$17<sup>50</sup>**  
(additional lines \$3 each)

**REAL ESTATE EMPLOYMENT TRANSPORTATION**  
5 lines - 6 pubs  
**\$31<sup>50</sup>**  
6 lines - 14 pubs  
**\$71**



- ### Index
- 1000 Announcements
  - 2000 Employment
  - 3000 Financial
  - 4000 Real Estate
  - 5000 Mobile Homes
  - 6000 Rentals
  - 7000 Merchandise
  - 8000 Recreation
  - 9000 Transportation

**ADD A BORDER - ATTENTION GETTER - LOGO**  
**For Just A Little More And Make Your Ad Pop!**

**DEADLINES**

Publication Place by:  
 Wednesday ..... 4 p.m. Monday  
 Friday ..... 4 p.m. Wednesday  
 Sunday ..... 4 p.m. Friday  
 All fax deadlines are 1 hour earlier.

**ADJUSTMENTS**

- Please check your ad for errors the first day it appears since the News-Sun will not be responsible for incorrect ads after the first day of publication. If you find an error, call the classified department immediately at 314-9876.
- The publisher assumes no financial responsibility for errors or for omission of copy. Liability shall not exceed the cost of that portion of space occupied by such error.

**Cancellations:** When a cancellation is called in, a KILL number will be given to you. This number is very important and must be used if ad failed to cancel. All ads cancelled prior to scheduled expiration date will be billed for complete run unless a KILL number can be provided.

## 1050 Legals

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA  
 CASE NO: 11-631-GCS  
 WORLD O WORLD CORPORATION, a New York corporation in good standing, authorized to do business in the State of Florida, Plaintiff,  
 vs.  
 JAMES E. HILL, SERENA T. HILL, a/k/a JANE T. HILL, a/k/a SERENA JANE HILL, n/k/a SERENA JANE SOTTILE, HEARTLAND NATIONAL BANK, N.A., SHOWCASE PUBLICATIONS, INC., and THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY, AMERICAN EXPRESS BANK, FSB, and any unknown heirs, devisees, grantees, creditors and other unknown persons or unknown spouses claiming by, through and under the Defendants,  
 Defendants.

**NOTICE OF ACTION**  
 To: Serena Jane Sottile  
 126 Lake Ridge Drive  
 Lake Placid, FL 33852  
 YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose a mortgage on real property has been filed against you in Circuit Court Case No. 11-631-GCS and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to Plaintiff's Complaint, on the Plaintiff's attorney, Rickey L. Farrell, Attorney at Law, P.A., 1595 S.E. Port St. Lucie Boulevard, Port St. Lucie, FL 34952, on or before July 31, 2013 and file the original with the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Highlands County, Florida either before service on the Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a Default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.  
 Dated: July 2, 2013.

As Clerk of the Court  
 By: /s/ Priscilla Michalak  
 As Deputy Clerk  
 July 7, 14, 2013

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA  
 GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION  
 Case No. 12000047GCS  
 CitiMortgage, Inc. successor by merger to First Nationwide Mortgage Corporation, Plaintiff,  
 vs.  
 Clayton D. Colquitt; Tonya F. Colquitt, et al  
 Defendants.

**NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE**  
 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Summary Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated July 2, 2013, entered in Case No. 12000047GCS of the Circuit Court of the Tenth Judicial Circuit, in and for Highlands County, Florida, wherein CitiMortgage, Inc. successor by merger to First Nationwide Mortgage Corporation is the Plaintiff and Clayton D. Colquitt; Tonya F. Colquitt; United States of America on behalf of the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, are the Defendants, that I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the Jury Assembly Room in the basement of the courthouse, 430 South Commerce Avenue, Sebring, FL 33870, beginning at 11:00 AM on the 4th day of October, 2013, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:  
 LOT 430, SEBRING HILLS SUBDIVISION, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 6, PAGE 2, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.  
 Dated this 8th day of July, 2013.

Robert Germaine  
 As Clerk of the Court  
 By: /s/ Priscilla Michalak  
 As Deputy Clerk  
 July 14, 21, 2013

Having something to sell and not advertising is like winking in the dark. You know what you're doing, but no one else does. Call News-Sun classifieds today! 314-9876

## 1050 Legals

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA  
 CASE NO. 13000264GCAAXM  
 RESURGENT CAPITAL SERVICES, LP Plaintiff,  
 vs.  
 JOHN E. STEFFNER, III A/K/A JOHN STEFFNER, III A/K/A JOHN EMERY STEFFNER, III, et al Defendant(s).

**NOTICE OF ACTION**  
 TO: JODIE L. STEFFNER  
 A/K/A JODIE STEFFNER  
 A/K/A JODIE LEE STEFFNER  
 RESIDENT: Unknown  
 LAST KNOWN ADDRESS: 4235 Cremona Drive, Sebring, FL 33872

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose a mortgage on the following described property located in HIGHLANDS COUNTY, Florida:  
 Lot 5253 and 5254, Avon Park Lakes, Unit No. 17, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 5, Page 10, of the Public Records of Highlands County, Florida.  
 has been filed against you, and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to this action on Phelan Hallinan, PLC, attorneys for plaintiff, whose address is 2727 West Cypress Creek Road, Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33309, and file the original with the Clerk of the Court, within 30 days after the first publication of this notice, either before or immediately thereafter, July 24, 2013 otherwise a default may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.  
 This notice shall be published one a week for two consecutive weeks in The News-Sun.

DATED: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Clerk of the Circuit Court  
 By: /s/ Priscilla Michalak  
 Deputy Clerk of the Court  
 Movant counsel certifies that a bona fide effort to resolve this matter on the motion notice has been made or that, because of time consideration, such effort has not yet been made but will be made prior to the scheduled hearing.  
 If you are a person with a disability who needs assistance in order to participate in a program or service of the State Courts System, you should contact the Office of the Court Administrator at (863) 534-4686 (voice), (863) 534-7777 (TDD) or (800) 955-8770 (Florida Relay Service), as much in advance of your court appearance or visit to the courthouse as possible. Please be prepared to explain your functional limitations and suggest an auxiliary aid or service that you believe will enable you to effectively participate in the court program or service.  
 PH#18051  
 July 7, 14, 2013

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA  
 CIVIL DIVISION  
 Case No.: 282012CA000288GCAAXM  
 BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., SUCCESSOR BY MERGER  
 TO BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING LP, FKA COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING LP Plaintiff,  
 vs.  
 CARLOS PENA, et al.,  
 Defendants.

**NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE**  
 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order or Final Judgment entered in Case No. 282012CA000288GCAAXM of the Circuit Court of the Tenth Judicial Circuit in and for Highlands County, Florida, wherein, NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE, LLC, Plaintiff, and CARLOS PENA, et al., are Defendants, I will sell to the highest bidder for cash at Highlands County Courthouse, in the Jury Assembly Room, 430 South Commerce Avenue, Sebring, FL 33870 at the hour of 11:00 AM, on the 30th day of July, 2013, the following described property:  
 LOT 636, SEBRING HILLS, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 6, PAGE 2, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA. ALSO, THE RIGHT TO USE IN COMMON WITH OTHERS LOT 1, OF BLOCK L, OF LAKE JACKSON BOULEVARD SUBDIVISION, HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.  
 Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the Lis Pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale.  
 DATED this 1st day of July, 2013.

BOB GERMAINE  
 CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT  
 By: /s/ Priscilla Michalak  
 Deputy Clerk  
 IMPORTANT  
 If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the Office of the Court Administrator, (863) 534-4690, within two (2) working days of your receipt of this Notice of Foreclosure Sale; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call TDD (863) 534-7777 or Florida Relay Service 711.  
 July 7, 14, 2013

Classified ads get fast results

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA  
 CIVIL DIVISION  
 CASE NO. 28-2012-CA-000293  
 THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON F/K/A THE BANK OF NEW YORK, AS TRUSTEE FOR THE CERTIFICATEHOLDERS OF CWABS, INC., ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-2, Plaintiff,  
 vs.  
 CHERYL L. WARD A/K/A CHERYL WARD A/K/A CHERYL LYNN WARD A/K/A CHERYL LYNN RAY; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF CHERYL L. WARD A/K/A CHERYL WARD A/K/A CHERYL LYNN WARD A/K/A CHERYL LYNN RAY; 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;  
 DEFENDANTS.

**NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE**  
 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated June 3, 2013, and Order Rescheduling Foreclosure Sale dated July 3, 2013, both entered in Case No. 28-2012-CA-000293, of the Circuit Court of the 10th Judicial Circuit in and for HIGHLANDS COUNTY, Florida. THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON F/K/A THE BANK OF NEW YORK, AS TRUSTEE FOR THE CERTIFICATEHOLDERS OF CWABS, INC., ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-2 is Plaintiff and CHERYL L. WARD A/K/A CHERYL WARD A/K/A CHERYL LYNN WARD A/K/A CHERYL LYNN RAY; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF CHERYL L. WARD A/K/A CHERYL WARD A/K/A CHERYL LYNN WARD A/K/A CHERYL LYNN RAY; UNKNOWN TENANT(S) IN POSSESSION N/A/JESSICA WARD; are defendants. The Clerk of Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the JURY ASSEMBLY ROOM, BASEMENT, 430 S. Commerce Avenue, Sebring, FL 33870, bidding begins at 11:00 A.M., Eastern Time, on the 12th day of August, 2013, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:  
 LOT 25, BLOCK 54, OF SEBRING COUNTRY ESTATES SECTION THREE, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 9, PAGE(S) 6, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.  
 A/K/A 4316 Talbot Street, Sebring, FL 33872  
 Dated this 8th day of July, 2013.

ROBERT W. GERMAINE  
 As Clerk of said Court  
 By: /s/ Priscilla Michalak  
 As Deputy Clerk  
 In accordance with requirements of Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA), Highlands County will not discriminate against qualified individuals with disabilities on the basis of disability in its services, programs, or activities. 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 provisions of certain assistance. Please contact Melissa Bruns, ADA Coordinator, at 863-402-6509 (Voice), via Florida Relay Services 711, by e-mail mbruns@hcbcc.org, by regular mail at 600 S. Commerce Ave., Sebring, FL 33870 request for CART or interpreter services should be made at least 24 hours in advance to permit coordination of the services.  
 11826.1845  
 July 14, 21, 2013

IN THE CIRCUIT CIVIL COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY  
 CIVIL DIVISION  
 CASE NO.: 28-2012-CA-000361  
 BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING LP, FKA COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING LP Plaintiff,  
 vs.  
 GRAHAM W. HAYES, BRANDI R. HAYES A/K/A BRANDI R. MELTON, FRANCES L. JOHN A/K/A FRANCES L. GAARZ, DAN JOHN, 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 January 8, 2013, in the Circuit Court of HIGHLANDS COUNTY, Florida, I will sell the property situated in Highlands County, Florida described as:  
 LOTS 3 AND 4, BLOCK 219, OF CARVA HILLS SUBDIVISION, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 2, PAGE 110, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA  
 and commonly known as: 6316 CAMBRIDGE DR, SEBRING, FL 33876; including the building, appurtenances, and fixtures located therein, at public sale, to the highest and best bidder, for cash. Sales are held in the Jury Assembly Room in the basement of the Highlands County Courthouse located at 430 S. Commerce Avenue, Sebring, Florida 33870, on August 7, 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 9th day of July, 2013.

Clerk of the Circuit Court  
 ROBERT W. GERMAINE  
 By: /s/ Priscilla Michalak  
 Deputy Clerk  
 July 14, 21, 2013

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA  
 CIVIL ACTION  
 CASE NO.: 28-2013-CA-000160  
 DIVISION:  
 U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR J.P. MORGAN MORTGAGETRUST 2006-S2 Plaintiff,  
 vs.  
 DEBBIE HEARIN  
 ALSO KNOWN AS DEBORAH J. HEARIN  
 ALSO KNOWN AS DEBORAH HEARIN, et al,  
 Defendant(s).

**NOTICE OF ACTION**  
 To: Debbie Hearin  
 also known as Deborah J. Hearin  
 also known as Deborah Hearin  
 The Unknown Spouse of Debbie Hearin  
 also known as Deborah J. Hearin  
 also known as Deborah Hearin  
 Last Known Address: 4416 Medina Way, Sebring, FL 33875-5045  
 Current Address: Unknown  
 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  
 Last Known Address: Unknown  
 Current Address: Unknown  
 YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose a mortgage on the following property in Highlands County, Florida:

LOT 9, LESS THE SOUTH 10 FEET THEREOF AND THE SOUTH 15 FEET OF LOT 10, SCENIC ESTATES, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 9, PAGE 63, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.  
 A/K/A 108 Karola Dr, Sebring, FL 33870-1078  
 has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses within 30 days after the first publication, if any, on Albertelli Law, Plaintiff's attorney, whose address is P.O. Box 23028, Tampa, FL 33623, and file the original with this Court either before July 24, 2013 service on Plaintiff's attorney, or immediately thereafter; otherwise, a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint or petition.  
 This notice shall be published once a week for two consecutive weeks in the News-Sun.  
 WITNESS my hand and the seal of this court on this 1st day of July, 2013.

Clerk of the Circuit Court  
 By: /s/ Priscilla Michalak  
 Deputy Clerk  
 Albertelli Law  
 P.O. Box 23028  
 Tampa, FL 33623  
 016345F01  
 \*\*See the Americans with Disabilities Act  
 If you a person with a disability who needs assistance in order to participate in a program or service of the State Courts System, you should contact the Office of the Court Administrator at (863)534-4686 (voice), (863) 534-7777 (TDD) or (800) 955-8770 (Florida Relay Service), as much in advance of your court appearance or visit to the courthouse as possible. Please be prepared to explain your functional limitations and suggest an auxiliary aid or service that you believe will enable you to effectively participate in the court program or service.  
 July 7, 14, 2013

## 1050 Legals

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA  
 CASE NO.: GC-12-000936  
 JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION Plaintiff,  
 vs.  
 WALTON PEART; SHEENA PEART; UNKNOWN TENANT I; UNKNOWN TENANT II, and any unknown heirs, devisees, grantees, creditors, and other unknown persons or unknown spouses claiming by, through and under any of the above-named Defendants,  
 Defendants.

**AMENDED NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE**  
 NOTICE is hereby given that the undersigned Clerk of the Circuit Court of Highlands County, Florida, will on the 11th day of September, 2013, at 11:00 o'clock A.M. at the in the Jury Assembly Room in the basement of the Highlands County Courthouse located at 430 South Commerce Avenue, Sebring, Florida at 11:00 A.M., offer for sale and sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash, the following-described property situate in Highlands County, Florida:  
 LOT 7, OF OAK LANE SUBDIVISION, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 6, PAGE 38, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA, pursuant to the Final Judgment entered in a case pending in said Court, the style of which is indicated above.

Any person or entity claiming an interest in the surplus, if any, resulting from the foreclosure sale, other than the property owner as of the date of the Lis Pendens, must file a claim on same with the Clerk of Court within 60 days after the foreclosure sale.  
 WITNESS my hand and official seal of said Court this 9th day of July, 2013.  
 AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT. If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the Office of the Court Administrator, 255 N. Broadway Avenue, Bartow, Florida 33830, (863)534-4686, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT  
 By: /s/ Priscilla Michalak  
 Deputy Clerk  
 (COURT SEAL)  
 B&H #307201  
 July 14, 21, 2013

## 1050 Legals

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA  
 PROBATE DIVISION  
 FILE NO. PC 13-293

IN RE: ESTATE OF HARRIET LOUISE BADALATO aka HARRIET BADALATO, Deceased.

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**  
 The administration of the estate of HARRIET LOUISE BADALATO aka HARRIET BADALATO, deceased, whose date of death was June 22, 2012, is pending in the Circuit Court for Highlands County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 590 South Commerce Avenue, Sebring, Florida 33870. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

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

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

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

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

The date of first publication of this Notice is July 14, 2013.

Personal Representative:  
 /s/ Lea King  
 P.O. Box 48681  
 Sarasota, FL 34230  
 Attorney for Personal Representative:  
 CLIFFORD M. ABLES III, P.A.  
 551 SOUTH COMMERCE AVE.  
 SEBRING, Florida 33870  
 Telephone: (863) 385-0112  
 Fax: (863) 385-1284  
 E-mail: cmables@cmablespa.net  
 /s/ Clifford M. Ables III  
 Florida Bar Number: 178379

July 14, 21, 2013

# Subscribe to the News-Sun Call 385-6155

City of **SEBRING** 368 So. Commerce Ave. Sebring, FL 33870 Ph: 863-471-5100 Fax: 863-471-5142

## NOTICE

Please be advised that the Sebring City Council will hold a Special Council meeting on July 24, 2013 at 5:30 p.m. The purpose of the meeting will be to (1) establish a proposed millage rate for FY 2013/14, (2) announce the current year rolled back rate, (3) announce the public hearings for final adoption of the millage rate and budget and (4) present the tentative proposed general fund budget for FY 2013/14. The meeting will be held at Sebring City Hall, 368 South Commerce Avenue, Sebring, FL.

Any person who might wish to appeal any decision made by the Sebring City Council is hereby advised that he will need a record of the proceedings and for such purpose may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made which will include the testimony and evidence upon which such appeal is to be made. The Sebring City Council does not discriminate upon the basis of any individual's disability status. Anyone requiring reasonable accommodations as provided for the American with Disabilities Act should contact Mrs. Kathy Haley, City Clerk at (863) 471-5100.

*Kathy Haley*  
 Kathy Haley, CMC, City Clerk

1050

Legals

Classified ads get fast results

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE DIRECTORY

Advertise Your Business Here! News-Sun Call 385-6155

Mike and Rob FULL LAWN CARE Affordable • Satisfaction Cutting Trimming Blowing Trimming of Palm Trees Weekly • Biweekly • Monthly 863-453-3606 or 863-257-4588

Advertise Your Business Here! News-Sun Call 385-6155

THE RIGHT WAY INDUSTRIES No short cuts or quick fixes. The right way out. JACK YOUNG Maintenance Tech. A complete home and business maintenance company (863) 473-2838

Diabetic Footwear • Custom Orthotics Work Shoes • Comfortable Shoes SAS • New Balance Shoe Box CELEBRATING 25 Years 1130 S. Parrot Ave • Okeechobee, FL 34974 863-763-4401 • Fax 863-763-6335 shoeboxlady@hotmail.com

WILLIAMS JANITORIAL CARPET CLEANING \$10.95 Per Room 3 Rooms Minimum • Upholstery Cleaning • All Types of Flooring • Free Estimates Lic • Bonded • Ins (863) 214-1940

HANDYMAN BOB Install doors, windows, flooring, plumbing & more! Licensed & Insured Lic# HM0096 Call 863-452-5201 or 863-449-1744

Advertise Your Business Here! News-Sun Call 385-6155

Roger's Handyman Services Roger McCartney JR licensed and insured! No job is too small. We can take care of all your home repairs and maintenance needs. • Small Flooring Jobs • License #HM01711 863-381-6677 Free Estimates

Computer Repair \$45 Flat Rate No Hidden Charges Banyan Bay 2121 Lakeview Dr., Sebring 863-202-0152

ICS CREMATION SERVING HIGHLANDS COUNTY & ALL OF FLORIDA \$895.00 | \$795.00 (Special Magic Petrol Price) Plus Cost of Death Certificates "No Additional Costs" Contact: Linda O'Neal Lake Placid: 863-441-2514

Advertise Your Business Here! News-Sun Call 385-6155

Bell Fisheries Inc. Farm Raised Catfish. We sell by the pound or you can come & catch yourself in our 3 acre pond! We have two large docks you can fish from. We also have large trophy Bass and Bream that we feed twice a day. Great fun for everyone, call or come by and see us! James I. Bell, Jr., Owner 120 Sandspur Lane, Lake Placid, FL 33852 863-465-7112 Florida Aquaculture Certification A05138017

MIKE'S PAINTING Interior & Exterior Residential & Mobile Homes Also Pressure Washing Over 25 Years Experience Free Estimates • Lic. & Ins. 863-453-3606

Bell Cleaning Services For all jobs. Large or small, done right! Homes, Business, Construction Parties and Events! Diane Bell Bonded and Insured Free Estimates 863-465-7112 863-633-8780 120 Sandspur Lane, Lake Placid FL 33852

Joe Johnson's ALL AMERICAN TREE SERVICE, INC. TRIMMING • REMOVAL SOD INSTALLATION • STUMP GRINDING LOT CLEARING • PRESSURE CLEANING Will Beat Any Written Estimate! Peoples Choice Award 863-465-7491 Free Estimates Licensed & Insured

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION FILE NO. PC 13-269 Division Probate

IN RE: ESTATE OF BARBARA BRONSING LANGDON a.k.a. BARBARA MARGARET LANGDON a.k.a. BARBARA M. BRONSING LANGDON a.k.a. BARBARA B. LANGDON a.k.a. BARBARA M. BRONSING a.k.a. BARBARA BRONSING Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS The administration of the estate of BARBARA BRONSING LANGDON a.k.a. BARBARA MARGARET LANGDON a.k.a. BARBARA M. BRONSING LANGDON a.k.a. BARBARA B. LANGDON a.k.a. BARBARA M. BRONSING a.k.a. BARBARA BRONSING, deceased, whose date of death was June 4, 2013, and whose social security number is XXX-XX-1181, is pending in the Circuit Court for Highlands County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 430 S. Commerce Avenue, Sebring, Florida 33870. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

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

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

ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, 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 July 14, 2013.

Personal Representative: /s/ Robert Bronsing 623 Puffin Drive Sebastian, Florida 32976

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

July 14, 21, 2013

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA JUVENILE DIVISION CASE NO. JP13-000029-XX

IN THE INTEREST OF: H., R. 11/13/2000 S., N. 01/22/2002

Minor childred DOB SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF ADVISORY HEARING FOR TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS AND GUARDIANSHIP

THE STATE OF FLORIDA TO: JEFFREY SPENCER HARRELL DOB: 02/27/73 Address unknown

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a Petition for Termination of Parental Rights under oath has been filed in the above styled Court by the Department of Children & Families, seeking the termination of your parental rights to: R. H.

a white female child born November 13, 2000 mother - Ruth Vermillion

and you are hereby commanded to personally appear before the Honorable Sheryl D. Snodgrass, a Magistrate/hearing officer in the Juvenile Division of the Circuit Court in and for Highlands County, State of Florida, on the 7th day of August, 2013 at 10:00 A.M., at the Highlands County Courthouse, 430 South Commerce Avenue, Sebring, Florida, Courtroom 1A.

YOU MUST PERSONALLY APPEAR ON THE DAY AND TIME SPECIFIED OR YOU WILL LOSE ALL RIGHTS AS A PARENT TO THE CHILD NAMED IN THE PETITION. YOUR FAILURE TO PERSONALLY APPEAR WILL BE DEEMED TO BE YOUR CONSENT TO THE TERMINATION OF YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS TO THE CHILD NAMED IN THE PETITION. YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO HAVE AN ATTORNEY REPRESENT YOU IN THIS MATTER. IF YOU CANNOT AFFORD AN ATTORNEY, YOU MUST BE PRESENT AND REQUEST THAT THE COURT APPOINT AN ATTORNEY FOR YOU IF YOU WANT ONE. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons with disabilities needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact the individual or agency sending the notice at 1968 Sebring Parkway, Sebring FL 33870, Telephone (863)402-7722, 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.

ROBERT W. GERMAINE, CLERK DATED THIS 1ST DAY OF JULY, 2013.

By: /s/ Anita E. Reiley Deputy Clerk

(Clerk's Seal)

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION FILE NO. PC 13-239

IN RE: ESTATE OF PERRY L. RICE, SR. Deceased.

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

You are hereby notified that an Order of Summary Administration has been entered in the estate of PERRY L. RICE, SR., deceased, File Number PC 13-239, by the Circuit Court for HIGHLANDS County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is Clerk of the Court, Highlands County Courthouse, 430 South Commerce Avenue, Sebring, Florida 33870; that the decedent's date of death was February 1, 2013; that the total value of the estate is less than \$75,000.00 and the names and addresses of those to whom it has been assigned by such order are: Kay Ann Rice, 3902 Sunrise Drive, Sebring, Florida 33872.

ALL INTERESTED PERSONS ARE NOTIFIED THAT:

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

The date of first publication of this Notice is July 14, 2013.

Person Giving Notice: Kay Ann Rice 3902 Sunrise Drive Sebring, Florida 33872

Attorney for Person Giving Notice: John K. McClure Attorney for Petitioner Florida Bar No. 286958 MCCLURE & LOBOZZO 211 S. Ridgewood Drive Sebring, Florida 33870 Telephone: (863) 402-1888 Fax: (863) 402-2436 E-Mail: jkmcleadings@mlaw.net Secondary E-Mail: johnmc@mlaw.net

ADVERTISE ON THIS PAGE TODAY!

Call Anita at: 863-385-6155 or Email: amarsella@newssun.com

**1100** Announcements

**CHECK YOUR AD**

Please check your ad on the first day it runs to make sure it is correct. Sometimes instructions over the phone are misunderstood and an error can occur. If this happens to you, please call us the first day your ad appears and we will be happy to fix it as soon as we can. If We can assist you, please call us: **314-9876 News-Sun Classified**

**2000** Employment

**2100** Help Wanted

INTERVIEWERS WESTAT seeks motivated, detail-oriented individuals to work part time on an important study, the National Study of Health-Related Behaviors (NSHB). Interviewers will collect information from respondents about tobacco use and its effects on health. Interviewers will show respondents how to collect cheek cells and urine samples using a self-collection kit and coordinate appointments for a blood sample to be taken by a trained health professional. To learn more about this position and apply, go to [www.westat.com/fieldjobs](http://www.westat.com/fieldjobs) and enter Job ID 6345BR. WESTAT EOE

**2100** Help Wanted

**ACCOUNTANT (F/T)**  
Application review begins: 7/18/13. Please visit <http://sfsc.interviewexchange.com> for detailed position posting. 863-784-7132 EA/EO/VETEREN'S PREF

**SOUTH FLORIDA State College**

DAWG HOUSE PET RESORT - Has 2 p/t openings for "Kennel Assistant". Duties include feeding, walking, and general care of our pets. Successful candidate must have reliable transportation, enthusiastic attitude and ability to work with pets. Weekend and holiday hours will be expected. 25-30 hours per week minimum. \$9.00 p/h. Send resume to: [finchmichael69@gmail.com](mailto:finchmichael69@gmail.com)

**DIRECT SUPPORT PROFESSIONALS** wanted for Avon Park Intermediate Care Facility serving disabled adults. HS diploma or 1 year associated experience, valid FL Drivers License and clean criminal background req. Please complete application at [www.jobs.thementornetwork.com/florida](http://www.jobs.thementornetwork.com/florida) 863-452-5141

**CUTRALE**

FARM SUPERVISOR with exp. & knowledge of running and operations of a Citrus Grove. Send resumes to [tdurbine@cutrale.com](mailto:tdurbine@cutrale.com)

**Classified ads get fast results**

**2100** Help Wanted

**Current Opportunity**

EXPERIENCE THE JOYS AND REWARDS Of Being A Comfort Keeper. If you have a passion for improving the quality of life for others while helping people live independently and happily in their own homes, you could be a Comfort Keeper! We are now hiring CNA, HHA and Homemaker Companion Positions in the Highlands County area. We offer flexible full-time or part-time hours. Contact us to learn more about how you can develop a rewarding career enriching the lives of others with Comfort Keepers. Apply online today at: <http://ck381.ersp.biz/employment> 863-385-9100

FLORIDA MENTOR is looking for an Area Director/Administrator for the Avon Park Intermediate Care Facility for the Developmentally Disabled. This 24-bed residential facility serves people with developmental disabilities with medically complex needs in a quiet park like setting. Candidates must have at a minimum a Bachelor's degree in Human Services, 5 years of managerial experience, 1 year of experience working with people with developmental disabilities and knowledge of ICF/DD regulations is preferred. Florida MENTOR offers full benefits including health insurance, dental, vision, matching 401k, short/long term disability, life insurance and more. Please apply at <http://jobs.thementornetwork.com/florida/healthcare-management/job-id3776067-area-director-jobs> EEO/AAE

**2100** Help Wanted

LAWN MAINTENANCE workers needed to run mowers & trimmers. 863-385-6768

LPN F/T 3-11 & PRN P/T Avon Park Intermediate Care Facility serving disabled adults is seeking nurses for all shifts. Casual work environment, benefit package and paid training. Call Melissa or Angelina 863-452-5141

P/T DRIVER Wanted for local deliveries with small dump truck, also, some lifting and use of small loader. Must have clean driving record. Apply at Butwell Stone & Soil Inc. 300 W. Lake Isis Ave. Avon Park, FL. 33825

**PHYSICAL THERAPY DIRECTOR**  
An opportunity for a strong therapist looking to run a rehab department in Avon Park, Fl.

This position requires a minimum of 1 year of SNF experience and management experience is preferred.

Ideal candidate will have strong interpersonal skills and a desire to grow with this department. Candidate also needs to have an understanding of the rules and regulations of medicare as they pertain to therapy.

If you are interested in this great opportunity, please send resume with salary requirements to [hr@rcavonpark.com](mailto:hr@rcavonpark.com) or apply in person at Royal Care of Avon Park, 1213 W. Stratford Rd., Avon Park, Fl. 33825 EOE/MF/DFWP

QC MANAGER needed for local precast hollowcore company. Experience with precast, quality control & concrete testing required. PCI Level I&II & ACI Certified REQUIRED. Email resume/salary requirements to [jmachia@spancrete.com](mailto:jmachia@spancrete.com), Fax: 863.655.1215

ROYAL CARE OF AVON PARK is expanding its Rehab Department, With our New Rehab Building do to open in August

CURRENT POSITIONS AVAILABLE

Physical Therapist

Physical Therapist Assistant

Come and be a part of an experienced and dynamic rehab team. SNF experience a plus! Competitive Salaries, benefits and flexible schedules.

Contact Maria Perez, HR Director (863) 435-6674 EOE/MF/DFWP

SEBRING HALOS HAIR DESIGNS has moved to a Big Beautiful New Salon. Needs Stylist. Booth Rental \$120 per week. Call 863-385-2728 or 863-414-6903

SEEKING WELL Exp. Medical office help. Exc. billing/collection, communication, typing, computer skills & medical terminology are a MUST. Fax resume to: 866-593-0635 or email to: [medicalofficebilling@yahoo.com](mailto:medicalofficebilling@yahoo.com)

**4000** Real Estate

**4040** Homes For Sale

**HEARTLAND REAL ESTATE**  
YOUR 1st to REAL ESTATE

If you want to buy or sell, call Dawn Dell.

"We treat you like family."

Just Reduced!

Sebring Hills, 520 Loan Ave.

This 3 bed 2 bath 2 car garage main house and additional inc with detached garage & shed. Large kitchen with a great pantry. Inhouse laundry room with shelves. Whole house central vacuum. Nice porch off back of home. \$124,900.

Ph: 863-381-0400  
Fax: 863-382-4284  
[dawndell1@gmail.com](mailto:dawndell1@gmail.com)  
[www.heartlandhomesforsale.com](http://www.heartlandhomesforsale.com)  
3200 US 29 S. Suite 201, Sebring

**4040** Homes For Sale

IN 55+COMMUNITY-BEAUTIFUL 2 bedroom 2 bath home in Village Setting with all of the amenities and security for an active and serene senior lifestyle on the historic Suwannee RIVER. A few amenities are: \*Planned Activities, Social Clubs Church Groups \*Medical Pharmacy available \*Fitness and Wellness Center Nature Trail \*Village Square Shops and Services \*Conference Retreat Center \*Village Lodge/Other Guest Accommodations \*Artist Series Please visit [www.acfillage.net](http://www.acfillage.net) for a complete list of amenities. CALL TODAY! Hallmark Real Estate, Janet Creel @ 1-877-755-6600 or visit [www.hallmarklakecity.com](http://www.hallmarklakecity.com)

**4120** Villas & Condos For Sale

SPRING LAKE 2/2 Villa Central Air/Heat, Washer Dryer Hook Up, Dishwasher, Fridge w/ice maker, Range & Cable incl. in rent. 863-381-8069.

**5000** Mobile Homes

**5050** Mobile Homes For Sale

MOBILE HOMES FOR SALE AFFORDABLE LOT RENT AVON MOBILE HOME PARK 55 PLUS PARK SORRY NO PETS 863-453-3415

NEW PALM FACTORY LIQUIDATION SALE TEXT STORE 126A TO: 313131 Call John Lyons @ 800-622-2832 ext 210 for details

**6000** Rentals

**6050** Duplexes for Rent

PLACID LAKES Nice, Lg. split plan, 2/2, W/D hookup, screen porch, fenced yard. Near Golf. Water incl. \$500 mo. C/H/A. Excellent Cond. 954-695-8348

SUN-N-LAKES, L.P. 2/2 Duplex 226 Deerwalk Ave. Patio, tile floors, W/D, A/C, sm. dog ok, no cats. \$475 mo. + \$500 sec. Text 954-829-1641/email: [tib2go@aol.com](mailto:tib2go@aol.com) to apply

**6200** Unfurnished Apartments

\* SUMMER SPECIALS \* 1BR & 2BR Avon Park / Lake Placid / Sebring \$375 and Up. Call For More Info 863-243-9191 or 863-244-2577 Or Visit [www.mylakeplacid.com](http://www.mylakeplacid.com)

AVON PARK \* LEMONTREE APTS \* 1BR \$520 mo. + \$350 Sec. Deposit, available immediately, Washer/Dryer & WSG included. Pets OK! Call Alan 386-503-8953

LAKE PLACID - \* Placid Lakes \* Nice, Lg. split plan, 2BR, 2BA, W/D hookup, Screen porch, Fenced yard. Near Golf. Water incl. \$550 mo. C/H/A. Excellent Cond. 954-695-8348

SEBRING - DINNER LAKE AREA 1BR, 1BA Apartments for Rent. \$425.00 / mo. Includes water. Large rooms, fresh paint & tile floors. Call Gary Johnson @ 863-381-1861.

**AVON PARK RENT SUBSIDIZED**

1,2,3,& 4 BR Apts in a Central Location, Separate Family & Elderly/Disabled properties; Ridgedale Apts, Lakeside Park & Delaney Hgts. Based on household income.

No Application Fee!

Please Call 863-452-4432 TTY 800-955-8771 On-Line Applications! [www.AvonParkHA.org](http://www.AvonParkHA.org)

LOOKING FOR THAT SPECIAL HOME? Search the News-Sun Classifieds every Sunday, Wednesday and Friday.

**6300** Unfurnished Houses

LAKE PLACID 2bdrm., 1.5 bath, Screen room, Family room, 1 car garage. Very clean. No pets, no smoking inside. \$650/mo., + utilities. 1st., last & security. 863-441-4899

LAKE PLACID 3/2 131 Loquat Rd. Screened patio. \$700/mo. + \$1,000. security. Call 305-804-5464

LAKE PLACID Townhouse, 2/2, washer/dryer, screen room, remodeled, close to town. No pets, no smoking inside. \$650/mo., + utilities. 1st., last & security. 863-441-4899.

**AVON PARK**  
North Central Heights Homes, a new "Rent Restricted" single family home development in Avon Park. Rents range from \$350 to \$550 per month. 2, 3 and 4 BR Available! DON'T DELAY APPLY TODAY! NO APPLICATION FEE!

**EQUAL HOUSING OPPORTUNITY**

CALL: TTY 800-955-8771 863-452-4432 On-line Applications [www.avonparkha.org](http://www.avonparkha.org)

SEBRING \*\* COTTAGE \*\* 1BR / 1BA, W/ Carport, Nice, Private. Woodlawn area. Air & Heat, W/D hookup. No Pets. Lawn Service included. \$375/mo. plus \$250 Security Deposit. Call 863-465-9100

SEBRING 3 BR/2BA Lakefront home w/pool. Many upgrades. Nice yard. Boating, fishing & swimming, in your back yard! \$1100 per mo 1st./2mo. sec. 863-446-1861 or 321-452-7090

**Classified ads get fast results**

**7000** Merchandise

**7300** Miscellaneous

\*QUEEN SIZE BED\* Complete with Frame, Mattresses White Headboard. Also, Mattress cover, Coverlet in Tan Design with 3 Decorative Pillows. \$200. 863-382-9289

TOOLS - Sm. Compressor, New Victor torch set-in pkg., Tanks etc., New 5HP Lawnmower-push, New Snapper 4 stroke, Weedeater, Black & Decker 18 volt tools. Many-Must See Golf Clubs Name Brands! 863-202-6394

**7310** Bargain Buys

ANTIQUA BREAKFAST SET W/Pitcher. \$50. obo. Call 863-835-1734

SEWING MACHINE Singer table top. \$50. obo. Call 863-835-1734

SONY CD CHANGER Holds 200 CD's includes manual, remote, hooks to your stereo. 863-441-2443

**7320** Garage & Yard Sales

AVON PARK Fri. - Sun. 8 - 3pm. 2656 N. Labelle Rd. Clothes, girls & women, housewares, electronics, DVD's, movies, Wii games, DS games, collectibles, TV & toys. Too much to list!

SEBRING \*\* ESTATE SALE \*\* 1709 Valencia Ave. Sebring, Fl. 33870 July 12, 13 & 14 8AM-4PM Rain or Shine! Sun. 1/2 price Wheelchair lift (needs repair), garage items, gray storage shelving, very large collection of vintage high power CB equipment and antennae, lovely glassware, lots of king sized sheets, blue and white Bavarian service for twelve dishes. Visit our 50 cent table! King bed/ headboard (Sears-a-Pedic), chest & bureau. Frigidaire dryer, recliner black metal rocker, double pedestal mahogany table with fold-away leaf, matching china cupboard and large sideboard, nice collection Vision Ware, 2pc. Cut glass compote, coin glass, 2 motorized chairs sold AS IS. Miniature dogs, miniature Toby's (2), doll clothes, vintage lunchbox, girl scout uniform, baby doll anatomically correct, lg. souvenir dolls, lots of yarn, electric, balance scale clock, Forestville domed clock w/ china face, electric blankets & elec. mattress pads in exc. cond. Betty Boop bedcover, Betty Boop cookie jar, toaster oven, blender glass jar, electric meat slicer, pots, pans, chenille king bedspread, flatware, Twin mattress & spring (no frame), Baldwin Spinnet organ, Spinnet Piano. Round 3-legged table w/ claw feet, tension pole lamp, table lamps, cleaners, stereo, Vtg. record player & AM radio, large area rug; dark floral. Sterling chain and setting with gorgeous peridot, and more not listed. No Early Bird Sales! [www.estatesles.net](http://www.estatesles.net) Donna Collins Estate Sales

**8000** Recreation

**8400** Recreational Vehicles

CAMPING TRAILER, 30' in excellent condition "Kingsport by Gulf Stream 2008. Location: Lake Placid, Fl. For more information call at: 863-840-2311 or 863-840-2209. Price: \$6,000.00

**9000** Transportation

**9100** Motorcycles & ATVs

2011 KAWASAKI 900 CLASSIC LT LIKE NEW! 4,200 miles, LOADED WITH EVERYTHING. \$5850. obo 863-202-6394

**9450** Automotive for Sale

1997 ESCORT WAGON 5 Speed 90K miles. New Tires and Other Parts. A Must See! \$2200. obo 863-202-6394

**A Great Place to Work!**

**BE A HERO like Brant Rakoski**

**Now Hiring**

- Customer Service Representatives
- For Our Connected Vehicle and Roadside Teams

Bilingual is a plus Spanish and French Differential Comprehensive Benefits Package!

**Brant Rakoski**  
Associate of the Month

**Agero**

Safe. Smart. Driven.

3310 Hwy. 27 South EOE Sebring, FL 33870 **863-402-2786**

Apply at [www.apply2jobs.com/Agero](http://www.apply2jobs.com/Agero)  
For more information about Agero Services, we encourage you to visit our website at: [www.Agero.com](http://www.Agero.com)

70± Property Online Real Estate

**REO AUCTION**

"Most Selling Absolute Regardless of Price"

Homes • Commercial • Multi-Family • Lots

Colorado, Iowa, Indiana, Florida, Louisiana, Illinois, Mississippi, Nebraska, Missouri, New Jersey & Texas

July 31 - August 7

Properties Located in your Area with Local Listing Broker on Each Property

[www.BidOnBankREO.com](http://www.BidOnBankREO.com)

**Sperry Van Ness** 504.468.6800  
Commercial Real Estate Advisors  
L. Fisher FL 40220

Having something to sell and not advertising is like winking in the dark. You know what you're doing, but no one else does. Call News-Sun classifieds today! 314-9876

Five-Day forecast for Highlands County

TODAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
A couple of showers and a 1-storm	A couple of showers and a 1-storm	An afternoon thunderstorm	A p.m. shower or thunderstorm	A couple of showers and a 1-storm
88° / 72°	89° / 73°	90° / 73°	91° / 73°	90° / 73°
Winds: SE at 4-6 mph	Winds: NE at 7-14 mph	Winds: E at 7-14 mph	Winds: E at 5-12 mph	Winds: ESE at 4-8 mph

National Forecast for July 14



Almanac

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

High Tuesday	88°
Low Tuesday	68°
High Wednesday	89°
Low Wednesday	70°
High Thursday	90°
Low Thursday	69°

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

Relative humidity	62%
Expected air temperature	57°
Makes it feel like	94°

**Barometer**

Tuesday	29.99
Wednesday	29.93
Thursday	29.88

**Precipitation**

Tuesday	0.93"
Wednesday	0.61"
Thursday	0.48"
Month to date	8.59"
Year to date	30.38"

Regional Summary

Showers and a thunderstorm today. A shower or thunderstorm this evening. A few showers and a thunderstorm tomorrow. Tuesday: an afternoon shower or thunderstorm. Wednesday: a shower or thunderstorm.

**Tides**  
Readings at St. Petersburg

High	6:47 a.m.
Low	12:27 a.m.
High	6:42 p.m.
Low	12:39 p.m.

**Readings at Palm Beach**

High	1:06 a.m.
Low	7:00 a.m.
High	1:37 p.m.
Low	7:20 p.m.

Farm Report

A couple of showers and a thunderstorm today. Winds southeast 4-8 mph. Expect 4-8 hours of sunshine with a 60% chance of precipitation and average relative humidity 70%.

Weather History

The mid-Atlantic was in the middle of a monsoon-like storm July 10, 1975. By the end of the storm, parts of northern New Jersey received up to 34 inches.

Sun and Moon

	Today	Monday
Sunrise	6:43 a.m.	6:43 a.m.
Sunset	8:21 p.m.	8:20 p.m.
Moonrise	12:16 a.m.	1:13 p.m.
Moonset	none	12:15 a.m.

	First	Fall	Last	New
	July 15	July 22	July 29	Aug 6

Water Restrictions

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

Florida Cities

City	Today	Mon.	Tue.
Cape Coral	88/70	90/71	90/73
Clearwater	88/70	91/70	89/71
Cocoa Beach	88/70	88/71	89/71
Daytona Beach	87/74	86/75	89/75
Fort Myers	88/70	88/70	88/70
Gainesville	88/71	90/72	91/73
Hollywood	88/71	90/71	89/71
Jacksonville	89/71	89/71	89/72
Key West	89/71	89/71	89/71

National Summary

Showers and thunderstorms will stretch from Florida to Louisiana, northward to the Ohio Valley and Northeast today. Some thunderstorms along the Carolina Coast can bring torrential downpours and flash flooding. Looking elsewhere, heavy rain and thunderstorms will break out across Oklahoma and Colorado as moist air from the Gulf of Mexico pushes northward. The main threat in these areas will be flash flooding and reduced visibility. Meanwhile, high pressure will keep the Great Lakes and surrounding areas mainly dry.

U.S. Cities

City	Today	Mon.	Tue.	City	Today	Mon.	Tue.
Albuquerque	82/66	78/59	77/60	Los Angeles	84/66	82/62	77/62
Alford	84/70	86/70	87/71	Louisville	91/74	92/72	92/74
Baltimore	81/73	84/74	84/74	Memphis	88/74	86/75	93/75
Birmingham	86/72	89/73	90/72	Minneapolis	87/65	89/73	92/74
Boston	85/72	92/74	88/74	Nashville	86/70	90/71	94/73
Charlotte	85/69	89/69	92/72	New Orleans	87/74	87/74	89/74
Chesapeake	83/59	79/59	85/59	New York City	87/76	92/76	92/77
Chicago	88/70	88/70	92/74	Portland	86/72	90/75	94/77
Cleveland	90/71	90/70	92/72	Portland, ME	84/66	88/68	89/68
Columbus	91/72	92/72	91/70	Raleigh	90/69	91/71	94/73
Dallas	86/71	86/70	87/74	Philadelphia	90/74	93/76	92/75
Denver	86/63	81/56	84/59	Phoenix	106/89	109/91	106/91
Detroit	89/71	93/72	92/73	Pittsburgh	90/68	92/71	92/71
Harrisburg	90/71	92/75	90/72	Portland, OR	84/55	87/58	92/61
Honolulu	89/73	89/73	89/73	Raleigh	90/69	91/71	94/73
Houston	94/77	93/75	93/75	Rochester	88/68	90/69	89/71
Indianapolis	88/72	90/70	89/72	St. Louis	86/73	90/74	94/75
Jackson, MS	89/71	87/71	91/70	San Francisco	67/54	65/55	65/54
Kansas City	85/67	87/69	91/71	Seattle	79/54	81/56	88/58
Lexington	90/71	94/71	94/71	Wash., DC	90/76	94/77	95/76
Little Rock	89/71	90/73	92/73				

World Cities

City	Today	Mon.	Tue.	City	Today	Mon.	Tue.
Agartsh	91/77	90/77	90/76	London	83/66	85/67	85/65
Athens	93/74	93/73	90/73	Montreal	82/66	82/69	87/70
Beirut	89/75	87/75	87/75	Moscow	70/58	73/60	77/60
Berlin	73/52	75/54	80/54	Nice	89/69	87/70	82/70
Bermuda	84/76	85/75	83/74	Ottawa	88/64	90/66	89/67
Calgary	69/49	64/46	70/49	Quebec	84/63	86/64	85/63
Dublin	73/55	73/54	73/54	Rio de Janeiro	82/68	77/65	74/65
Edmonton	69/47	69/46	75/49	Saudi	87/71	82/73	81/73
Frederic	85/77	86/79	86/79	Singapore	88/79	88/78	88/78
Garyow	81/61	81/62	83/63	Sydney	66/55	66/57	68/48
Hawaii	90/72	88/72	89/72	Toronto	82/70	90/69	85/74
Hong Kong	88/81	87/81	86/81	Vancouver	72/56	75/62	78/61
Jakarta	86/85	86/86	87/84	Vienna	80/63	78/60	86/59
Johannesburg	62/41	64/41	63/39	Warsaw	72/51	67/50	74/50
Kiev	74/57	71/57	73/57	Winnipeg	75/59	81/68	88/60

*Highlands Little Theatre* presents...

**July 17-28, 2013**  
Adults \$20 • Youth \$10

Music by Stephen Sondheim  
Book by Burt Shrevelove & Larry Gelbart

Presented by arrangement with Music Theater International

**A THING HAPPENED ON THE WAY TO THE FORUM**

**LEND ME A TENOR**  
Sept. 11-22, 2013

**DOUBLE YOUR FUN!**  
2 Hilarious Comedies, 1 Special Price!

*Buy tickets to both shows and save \$4!*

Sponsored by the John & Dianne Juve Family and The Home Depot

356 W. Center Ave. Sebring, FL 33870  
HighlandsLittleTheatre.org  
863-382-2525

**WWW.WARRENAUTOSALES.COM**  
**A CIRCUS OF SUMMER SAVINGS**

<b>2012 DODGE JOURNEY SE MODEL, 4,000 MILES, 5/100 WARRANTY</b>	<b>2012 KIA FORTE EX MODEL, 14,000 MILES, 5/60 WARRANTY</b>	<b>2002 CHEVROLET TRACKER LT HARDTOP, 40,000 MILES, V-6, AUTO, NICE</b>
<b>\$17,800</b>	<b>\$14,500</b>	<b>\$7,500</b>
<b>2012 TOYOTA COROLLA 3,000 MILES, LE MODEL, 5/60 WARRANTY</b>	<b>2000 BMW KZ1200LT, WELL MAINTAINED, THE ONE</b>	<b>2012 NISSAN VERSA SPECIAL EDITION, AUTO, 5/60 WARRANTY</b>
<b>LIKE NEW</b>	<b>\$6,500</b>	<b>7,700 MILES</b>
<b>2001 CHEVROLET MALIBU V-6 LT MODEL, 65,000 MILES, ONE OWNER</b>	<b>2012 FORD FUSION SE MODEL, ONE OWNER, 14,000 MILES</b>	<b>2008 FORD F-150 MOM &amp; POP TRADE, 28,000 MILES, AUTO</b>
<b>\$7,500</b>	<b>\$16,500</b>	<b>\$12,800</b>

**WARREN'S AUTO SALES**  
811 US HWY 27 S. AVON PARK  
863-452-2931  
Sales • Mon-Fri 8-6:30 | Saturday 8-5

ALL PRICES PLUS ONLY TAX, TAGS AND TITLE. WARRANTIES BALANCE OF MANUFACTURERS.



Associated Press

Carlos Diaz, president of the Stickball Hall of Fame, hits during a game of stickball in East Harlem, N.Y., Friday, July 12, 2013. Six players are being inducted into the Stickball Hall of Fame by a committee of so-called old timers who have been following the famous urban sport since its heyday in the 1940s and 50s.

## Aging NYC stickballers keeps street game alive

By JAKE PEARSON  
 Associated Press  
 and JON GERBERG  
 Associated Press

NEW YORK — They run with a little less speed, hit with a little less power and worry less about shattering nearby windows, but a graying crew of stickball enthusiasts is keeping the urban sport alive and honoring the legends who shaped the game.

Six players from around the country were being added Friday to the 144 peo-

ple already in the Stickball Hall of Fame, selected by a committee of so-called old-timers who have followed the sport since its heyday in the 1940s and '50s.

Their grading scale is not exactly scientific.

The game's lore is passed on in stories and arguments about whether the Pleasant Avenue Boys were better than the 100th Street Boys and which pitcher was harder to hit, which batter most feared at the plate.

"We don't have statistics;

we have bragging rights," said Carlos Diaz, 64, a hospital administrator who held the first induction ceremony a dozen years ago and now runs the Stickball Community Gallery out of an old storefront in East Harlem.

"When we were playing, if you broke a window, you ran or the cop would come and take the stick away from you and put it down the manhole covers," Diaz said.

See BALL, Page B4



LAUREN WELBORN News-Sun

Beckham Donovan follows through on his drive Thursday morning and won his age group in the Sertoma Junior Tour's event at Golf Hammock.

## Sertoma hammers through Hammock

By LAUREN WELBORN  
 News-Sun correspondent

SEBRING- Golf Hammock played host to what would have been the fifth Sertoma event of the summer this Thursday.

Rather, after the seemingly endless rains washed away the July 1 event scheduled for The Bluffs, Thursday's outing

became the fourth event of the summer season.

As usual, stiff competition kept things interesting as these golfers battled through the course and Florida's summer heat.

Cole Berger swept the boys 17-18 division with

See GOLF, Page B3

## DeWitt tapped to lead Blue Streak baseball

By DAN HOEHNE

daniel.hoehne@newsun.com

SEBRING — It didn't take long for Sebring High School to fill its vacant, varsity baseball head coaching job.

And they didn't have to look very far.

Fresh off an extended and successful run as the head man at Lake Wales, Jasone DeWitt has accepted the job to now lead the Blue Streaks.

"I'm real excited," he said. "Between the support from the community, the feeder programs and what this means for my family, it's a great opportunity.

"We live in Highlands County and my son is about to start T-ball next year, my daughter is at EDGE cheer-leading, and there were too many days where I'd leave in the morning, and with games, not see them until the next day," he continued. "This allows me to be closer, with my family more and still be able to do what I love."

That love is, of course, baseball.

And DeWitt sure brings with him quite an impressive resume.

After a strong playing



DAN HOEHNE News-Sun

Jasone DeWitt, the new head coach of the Sebring High School baseball Blue Streaks.

career at Avon Park, DeWitt graduated in 1991 and stuck around to play in the last season of the first incarnation of the baseball program at South Florida Community College.

After that, his college playing career continued at Polk and Embry-Riddle, and

then it was on to two years in the independent Frontier League in Newark NJ and Kalamazoo, MI.

And when his playing career ended DeWitt jumped right into coaching, first as an assistant at Sebring in '97-98 and at SFCC from '98-02.

Also working as an associate scout for the Colorado Rockies, he took the head coaching job at Lake Wales in '02 where he lead the program to being a perennial power.

"I was fortunate to continue the successful path at Lake Wales, and that's my goal for the program at Sebring as well," DeWitt said.

Given the coaches he's played for and worked under, his success shouldn't be surprising.

At Avon Park, he played under legends Ronnie and Mort Jackson, as well as Clay Gooch during his year at SFCC.

"I am also fortunate to have been in contact with some great baseball minded people throughout the state and country," DeWitt said. "Coach Tyus at Polk State, the Guillian brothers at Embry-Riddle, along with the Jackson's and coach Gooch, gave me a mixture of different coaching styles and personalities. Coach Hitt then provided me the opportunity to begin my coaching career and I have had some great assistants at Lake Wales. And it is great to be

See DEWITT, Page B3



## Diggin' up a good time at Don's



DAN HOEHNE News-Sun

Nearly a dozen teams gathered at Don Jose's Saturday morning for a four-on-four beach volleyball tournament, organized by the Highlands County YMCA. Under sunny skies and in the sand along the edge of Lake Jackson, all sorts of sets, spikes, dives and digs were seen as players of all ages enjoyed a day of friendly and fun competition.



# THE SCOREBOARD



## LIVE SPORTS ON TV

### AUTO RACING SUNDAY

1 p.m. NASCAR – New Hampshire 300 . . . . . TNT

### GOLF SUNDAY

9:30 a.m. EuroPGA – Scottish Open . . . . . GOLF  
Noon EuroPGA – Scottish Open . . . . . NBC  
1 p.m. PGA – John Deere Classic . . . . . GOLF  
2:30 p.m. LPGA – Manulife Financial Classic . . . . GOLF  
3 p.m. PGA – John Deere Classic . . . . . CBS  
3 p.m. U.S. Senior Open Championship . . . . . NBC  
7 p.m. PGA – Utah Championship . . . . . GOLF

### MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL SUNDAY

1 p.m. Texas at Detroit . . . . . TBS  
1:30 p.m. Houston at Tampa Bay . . . . . SUN  
1:30 p.m. Chicago White Sox at Philadelphia . . . . WGN  
8 p.m. St. Louis at Chicago Cubs . . . . . ESPN  
8 p.m. 2013 Home Run Derby . . . . . ESPN  
7:30 p.m. 2013 All-Star Game . . . . . FOX

### MINOR LEAGUE BASEBALL SUNDAY

2 p.m. All-Star Futures Game . . . . . ESPN2

### SOFTBALL SUNDAY

1 p.m. World Cup – Puerto Rico vs. U.S.A. . . . . ESPN  
3 p.m. Slow Pitch Showdown – United States vs. . . . United States Futures . . . . . ESPN  
9 p.m. World Cup Final – Teams TBA . . . . . ESPN2  
10 p.m. All-Star Legends and Celebrity Game. . . . . ESPN  
*Times, games, channels all subject to change*

LEAGUE LEADERS BATTING  
Cabrera, DET 357 72 131 .367  
Trout, LAA 362 64 117 .323  
Ortiz, BOS 279 49 90 .323  
Mauer, MIN 345 49 110 .319  
Pedroia, BOS 368 57 117 .318

LEAGUE LEADERS BATTING  
Molina, STL 316 37 106 .335  
Cuddyer, COL 277 43 92 .328  
Craig, STL 338 48 111 .328  
Segura, MIL 365 52 117 .321  
Carpenter, STL 350 71 112 .320  
Posey, SF 316 35 101 .320

LEAGUE LEADERS HOME RUNS  
Gonzalez, COL 25  
Alvarez, PIT 24  
Brown, PHL 23  
Goldschmidt, ARI 21  
Beltran, STL 19  
Goldschmidt, ARI 77  
Craig, STL 72  
Phillips, CIN 71  
3 tied with 64

LEAGUE LEADERS WON-LOST  
Zimmermann, WAS 12-4  
Wainwright, STL 12-5  
Corbin, ARI 11-1  
Lynn, STL 11-3  
Lee, PHL 10-3  
Harvey, NYM 147  
Kershaw, LAD 139  
Samardzija, CHC 128  
Latos, CIN 127  
Wainwright, STL 126

LEAGUE LEADERS SAVES  
Grilli, PIT 28  
Mujica, STL 26  
Kimbrel, ATL 25  
Soriano, WAS 24  
Chapman, CIN 21  
Romo, SF 21

### Arena Football

### NATIONAL CONFERENCE Central Division

Chicago 8 7 0 .533802808  
San Antonio 8 7 0 .533642737  
Iowa 6 9 0 .400700719

### West Division

x-Arizona 13 2 0 .867998716  
x-Spokane 11 4 0 .733998783  
x-San Jose 11 4 0 .733847752  
Utah 5 11 0 .313793901

### AMERICAN CONFERENCE South Division

x-Jacksonville 10 5 0 .667791728  
Tampa Bay 7 8 0 .467836812  
New Orleans 5 10 0 .333700861  
Orlando 5 10 0 .333777884

### Eastern Division

y-Philadelphia 11 5 0 .688959754  
Cleveland 3 12 0 .200704869  
Pittsburgh 3 12 0 .200615838  
x-clinched playoff spot  
y-clinched division

### Friday's Game

Philadelphia 69, Utah 39  
Saturday's Games  
Spokane at Jacksonville, late  
Iowa at Orlando, late  
San Jose at Pittsburgh, late  
Cleveland at Chicago, late  
Tampa Bay at San Antonio, late  
New Orleans at Arizona, late

### WNBA

### EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlanta 10 2 .833 GB  
Chicago 10 4 .714 1

Washington 7 7 .500 4  
New York 6 7 .462 4.5  
Indiana 4 8 .333 6  
Connecticut 3 9 .250 7

### WESTERN CONFERENCE

Minnesota 10 3 .769 —  
Los Angeles 9 4 .692 1  
Phoenix 8 6 .571 2.5  
Seattle 5 8 .385 5  
San Antonio 4 9 .308 6  
Tulsa 3 12 .200 8

### Thursday's Games

Minnesota 69, Indiana 62  
Los Angeles 94, Tulsa 78

### Friday's Games

Chicago 83, Connecticut 70  
Washington 83, San Antonio 73

### Saturday's Games

Indiana at New York, late  
Minnesota at Tulsa, late

### Sunday's Games

San Antonio at Connecticut, 5 p.m.  
Los Angeles at Phoenix, 6 p.m.  
Atlanta at Seattle, 9 p.m.

### Transactions

### BASEBALL American League

BALTIMORE ORIOLES—Optioned RHP Josh Stinson to Norfolk (IL). Designated RHP Jair Jurrjens for assignment. Selected the contract of RHP Jairo Asencio from Norfolk. BOSTON RED SOX—Signed RHP Myles Smith, SS Mauricio Dubon, OF Nick Longhi, 3B Rafael Oliveras, RHP Pat Goetze and RHP K.J. Trader. Acquired LHP Matt Thornton and cash considerations from the Chicago White Sox in exchange for OF Brandon Jacobs. NEW YORK YANKEES—Agreed to terms with OF Aaron Judge on minor league contract.

### National League

ATLANTA BRAVES—Sent C Evan Gattis to Gwinnett (IL) for rehab assignment. CHICAGO CUBS—Agreed to terms with 3B Kris Bryant on minor league contract. MIAMI MARLINS—Agreed to terms with SS Colin Moran on minor league contract. NEW YORK METS—Sent RHP Scott Atchison to Binghamton (EL) for a rehab assignment. PITTSBURGH PIRATES—Traded RHP Tim Alderson to Baltimore for 1B/OF Russ Canzler, and optioned Canzler to Indianapolis (IL). Transferred RHP James McDonald to the 60-day DL. SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS—Optioned LHP Mike Kickham to Fresno (PCL). Recalled RHP Jean Machi from Fresno. WASHINGTON NATIONALS—Sent RHP Ryan Mattheus to the GCL Nationals for a rehab assignment.

### BASKETBALL National Basketball Association

BOSTON CELTICS—Traded Fs Kevin Garnett, Paul Pierce and D.J. White and G Jason Terry to Brooklyn for Fs Gerald Wallace, Kris Humphries and Kris Joseph, Gs MarShon Brooks and Keith Bogans and 2014, 2016 and 2018 first-round draft picks. LOS ANGELES LAKERS—Signed C Chris Kaman. MINNESOTA TIMBERWOLVES—Agreed to terms with Fs Chase Budinger and Corey Brewer on three-year contracts and F Shabazz Muhammad on a two-year contract. OKLAHOMA CITY THUNDER—Signed C Steven Adams and G/F Andre Roberson.

### FOOTBALL National Football League

DALLAS COWBOYS—Released FB Lawrence Vickers. SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS—Claimed WR Charly Martin off waivers.

# SPORTS SNAPSHOTS

## SHS Swim

SEBRING – Sebring High School will be offering swimming lessons with three more sessions to choose from.

The first two sessions are complete with the third session July 8-July 19 and the fourth from July 22-August 2.

Registrations are being taken at the front office of Sebring High School during the day from 9 a.m.-2 p.m., where office secretaries can sign you up.

Emails can also be sent to [catonp@highlands.k12.fl.us](mailto:catonp@highlands.k12.fl.us).

The Sebring High School pool is currently open Monday through Friday from 6-7:30 p.m. and Saturdays and Sundays from 1-3 p.m.

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

Cost is \$2 per swimmer, and family passes are available at \$50 for first family member and \$15 for each additional.

Water aerobics are also underway, meeting on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 6:30-7:30 p.m. at \$2 per class.

Those with a summer pass can take the class for \$1 per.

Sebring Summer Swim Program The Summer Swim Program will again offer four (4) instructional sessions.

Each will last two weeks and the swim class meets each weekday, Monday through Friday.

The Program will offer eight (8) types of instruction:

Adult Beginner: Adults Only. For the novice-no experience necessary.

Parent and Tot: Water Orientation. Mother/Father must participate with child. (6 months to 2 years of age.)

Level I: Introduction to Water Skills. Students first water orientation without Mother/Father.

Part A--Preschool Aquatics (2-4 years of age)

Part B-School Age (4-5 years of age)

Level II: Fundamental Aquatic Skills. Students do not need Mother/Father in pool. (4-5 years of age.)

Level III: Stroke Development. Students must be comfortable in water.

Level IV: Stroke Improvement. Students must be able to swim 10 yards, do a front dive, and float on their backs.

Level V: Stroke Refinement. Students must be able to swim 50 yards, tread water 30 seconds, and elementary back stroke 25 yards.

Level VI: Part A – Personal Water Safety/Diving Fundamentals. Students must be able to swim 100 yards, tread water for 3 minutes, backstroke 100 yards. Will learn basics of diving.

Part B – Fitness Swimmer/Diving Fundamentals. Students will learn necessary skills to make swimming part of their exercise program. Will learn basics of diving.

There will be a \$50 fee for the two-week session and students will be enrolled on a “first come, first served” basis.

For questions, call 471-5500, ext. 229, or 381-7092 and leave a message for Ms. Pat.

## SFSC Volleyball Camps

AVON PARK – Lady Panther Volleyball is again offering summer camps, both indoor and out on the sand courts, for players from Grade 6 and up who wish to learn the game and sharpen their skills for the upcoming fall seasons.

For the indoor camps, there is just one four-day session left to take advantage of, with separate times for those from grades 6-8 and those from grades 9-12.

The remaining session will run July 15-18, with the same time frames.

Cost is \$100 per session, or \$30 per daily session.

Out on the sand volleyball courts at SFSC, there will be one more Friday session, meeting from 9:30-11:30 a.m., with a cost of \$30 for the daily session.

The meeting date for the sand camp is Friday, July 19.

For both indoor and sand camps, there is a limit of 20 athletes per session.

For more information, contact Lady Panther head coach Kim Crawford at [Kimberly.Crawford@southflorida.edu](mailto:Kimberly.Crawford@southflorida.edu), or (863) 784-7037.

## NAACP Golf

SEBRING – The Highlands County NAACP invites the community to take part in its first golf tournament on Saturday, July 20 at the Golf Hammock Golf and Country Club.

Registration will begin at 7 a.m. with a shotgun start time of 8 a.m.

The event will include closest to the pin, hole in one, raffle and door prizes.

An awards ceremony and lunch will follow.

The tournament is a four-person scramble.

ble.

Registration is \$60 per player/\$240 per foursome includes green fees, golf cart, post event luncheon, prizes, beverages on the course and more.

For more information, to register, sponsor or donate to this event, contact Art Williams at 873-5031, Jim Windsor at 414-8471 or Leon Thomas at 414-4005.

## STR8 UP seeks help

LAKE PLACID – As STR8 UP Youth Ministry in Lake Placid celebrates its one-year anniversary as a ministry, they are looking for ways to enhance their programs in order to maintain and challenge the influx of teenagers that enter the ministry.

“Mr. Greg Foster of GSF Enterprises has been gracious enough to incorporate his lot into our lease, on which we would like to construct a NBA-regulation size basketball court,” STR8 Up president Sammy Telesco said. “This will be a one-of-a-kind, outdoor, regulation-sized court in Lake Placid.”

The youth currently play basketball on the back parking lot area and have long since outgrown it.

They need the challenge of a full court and higher goals.

William E. Lewis and Associates have donated the NBA-style fiberglass goals.

Bevis Construction and Concrete has once again partnered with the program to provide the labor for this considerable project.

STR8 UP is seeking to raise \$7,500 for 80 yards of concrete.

STR8 UP is asking for donations towards the goal – one quarter of a yard of concrete is \$25, half a yard is \$50, and one yard of concrete is \$100.

All donations are welcome.

Please make checks payable to STR8 UP Youth Ministry P.O. Box 654 Lake Placid, FL 33862 or PayPal can be used from their website [www.str8up.org](http://www.str8up.org).

## 14th Annual Firemen Memorial

SEBRING – As one of their biggest fundraisers of the year, Sebring Firemen, Inc. will hold the 14th Annual Memorial Golf Classic on Saturday, Aug. 10, at the Sun N’ Lake Golf and Country Club.

Presented by AXA Advisors, LLC and Home Depot, the day-long tournament will begin with registration at 7:30 a.m. and cannon start at 8:30 a.m.

The format is a 4-person Scramble, flighted by handicap, utilizing both the Deer Run and Turtle Run courses, and the entry fee remains at \$75 per player.

And though the fee has not gone up, it still includes golf cart, one mulligan, range balls and prizes, while food and beverages will be provided on the courses.

There will also be contests for Longest Drive, Closest to the Pin and Hole in One, with unbelievable prizes attached.

As is their nearly 90-year old custom, the Firemen seek to raise funds to help all area student-athletes and athletic programs.

And in so doing, make it a fun and memorable event for all those involved.

The festivities, in fact, begin the night before at the Pre-Tournament Mixer on Friday, Aug. 9, at 6:30 p.m. in the Sun N’ Lake restaurant for early registration and a heavy dose of hors d’oeuvres.

Deadline for entry is Thursday, Aug. 8, and checks should be made payable and remit to Sebring Firemen, Inc., P.O. Box 1981, Sebring, FL 33871, (863) 382-2255.

Team entry agreements can also be faxed to Sebring Firemen, Inc. at (863) 385-7773.

Last year’s field of more than 250 golfers set a new high for the ever-expanding fundraiser, so make sure to get those entries in to be part of a great day of helping the Firemen give back.

## American Legion

### Baseball Trip

SEBRING – American Legion Post 25 will be hosting its’ 5th Annual Baseball Trip on Sunday, Aug. 25, to Tropicana Field to see the Rays vs. Yankees.

Cost is \$45 per person for tickets and bus trip, with money due by Wednesday, July 24.

For more information, call Robert at the American Legion between 10 a.m.-1 p.m. at 465-0975.

## APHS Pool Schedule

AVON PARK – Beginning Tuesday, July 16, the Avon Park High School Pool will be open Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

Monday, Wednesday and Friday 1-3 p.m. and 4-6 p.m.

The cost is \$2 per swimmer.

## DeWitt set to begin with Blue Streaks

Continued from B1

coming in after a coach with the baseball knowledge of Buck Rapp, the program is in good shape.”

Which he has a definite plan to continue with an ingrained philosophy that has served him and his teams well.

“We will play the game the way it is supposed to be played,” he said. “We will be prepared for teams and hustle on and off the field, whether we’re up 10 runs or

down 10 runs.

“I want my passion and energy for baseball to cross over to my players,” DeWitt continued. “And they will continue to work hard in the classroom and represent the school, community and family in a first-class manner. These are the things we are able to control every day, no matter the outcome of a game.”

And while he will be pushing to get the best out of his players for the benefit of the program, DeWitt also

aims for those efforts to be pushed to benefit the players themselves.

“Getting guys to the next level, whether it is Juco, Division I, II or III, or NAIA, will also be a goal for myself and our staff,” he said.

He has done that quite well at Lake Wales, with former Highlander Justin Shafer coming off a strong second season with the Florida Gators.

And it’s with those strong feeder programs he refer-

enced that he sees those possibilities at Sebring as well.

“From T-ball on up, these guys here learn the fundamentals at a very young age,” DeWitt said. “I was just out at some of the state tournaments here and could see that, and just seeing the support and enthusiasm of the community there, I was really impressed and it made me all the more excited for the opportunity to coach here.”

## Puig, Pirates and Harper highlight 1st half

BEN WALKER

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Just for fun, let’s turn back the baseball clock a few months.

A well-rested Stephen Strasburg and the Washington Nationals are destined to face Josh Hamilton and the Los Angeles Angels in the World Series.

The Houston Astros have the best record in baseball, Manny Ramirez is playing in Taiwan and no one is quite sure how to pronounce the name of this Puig guy.

Well, a few things are still the same: Homer Bailey remains the last guy to throw a no-hitter, Miguel Cabrera swings the most devastating bat in the majors and, well, the drug cloud isn’t going away anytime soon.

As the All-Star game approaches next week at Citi Field, a look at the first half of the season:

### EXTRA! EXTRA!

By the time Matt Harvey and the New York Mets let the hovering seagulls take over AT&T Park well past midnight, they were wiped out.

This week’s win at San Francisco took 16 innings — the Mets already had lost a 20-inning game and a pair of 15-inning contests.

“I’ve never heard of anything like this. It’s unbelievable,” manager Terry Collins said. “At least we’re used to it.”

All over, fans are getting way more than their money’s worth.

Going into this weekend, 19 games had lasted at least 14 innings; there were a total of 20 last year, according to STATS.

“Is a lunar eclipse coming?” Oakland outfielder Josh Reddick wondered. “I

have no idea. Probably more of a coincidence than anything. That’s how the game goes sometimes.”

### WACKY WEATHER

Even in ski country, this was a bit extreme: When the Atlanta Braves and Colorado Rockies started up at Coors Field in late April, it was 23 degrees.

That made it the coldest game-time temperature in STATS’ records, dating back more than two decades.

Braves pitcher Mike Minor threw six innings and won — in short sleeves.

He figured long sleeves wouldn’t help much.

He also got a trainer to rub his arms, back and thighs with a heating ointment.

“I was burning up there,” he said, smiling.

Snow at Target Field, hail at Yankee Stadium and buckets of rain from coast to coast.

More than 30 games postponed so far, going in the weekend.

Last year? Just 21, the whole season.

The crummy conditions have wreaked havoc with the schedule.

With interleague games most every day, there’s not a lot of wiggle room for makeups.

So there’s been a push to get the games in — Tampa Bay waited out almost five hours of rain delays in Cleveland to win a game that started on a Friday night in May and finished on an early Saturday in June.

The Mets, meanwhile, played in three different time zones in three days.

In St. Louis, there was a 4 1/2-hour rain delay in the ninth inning before Kansas City outlasted the Cardinals.

The game ended at 3:14 a.m. at Busch Stadium, and created travel trouble for the umpires, too — they worked at Wrigley Field in Chicago the next afternoon.

“We worry about that game when we get to that one,” crew chief Joe West said. “We had to worry about this game tonight.”

And recently, a Giants-Reds rainout in Cincinnati had the teams talking about making it up at Coors Field, of all places.

A neutral site in Denver might indeed be the most convenient spot for both clubs later this year.

### NEW WAVE

Be it Manny Machado, Bryce Harper or Mike Trout, the face of baseball is changing.

Young stars are dominating, and also revving up the debate:

Should Dodgers sensation Yasiel Puig — that’s “Pweeg” — be on the All-Star team?

Jeff Locke is trying to pitch Pittsburgh toward its first playoff spot in two decades, Shelby Miller is dealing in St. Louis and Wil Myers is finding his stroke in Tampa Bay while Paul Goldschmidt and Patrick Corbin are leading Arizona.

They were all excelling at the same time former perennial All-Stars Derek Jeter, Alex Rodriguez and Ramirez were toiling in the minors.

Oh, and let’s salute Orioles slugger Chris Davis, who’s proven HR-or-K hit-

ters can learn the strike zone.

Davis hit his major league-best 35th homer in Baltimore’s 8-5 victory over Toronto on Friday night.

### SUMMER SURPRISES

Overhauled Toronto and R.A. Dickey, the powerized Angels and Hamilton, plus the revamped Dodgers have all struggled to reach the .500 mark.

The Nationals also hit a wall — rather, Harper did while chasing a ball and landed on the disabled list.

Houston moved to the American League and got off a terrific start, beating Texas in the major league opener.

Reality quickly set in, however.

Their next time out, the overmatched Astros came within one out of having Yu Darvish throw a perfect game against them.

Much harder to figure, Matt Cain and the World Series champion San Francisco Giants.

A year ago, Cain pitched a perfect game.

This year, he had one start when he gave up nine runs in an inning, another start when he permitted nine hits in an inning and, earlier this week, he was chased in the first inning.

Added up, the pitching-rich Giants fell far below the break-even point as the All-Star neared.

“For the way we think we are as a group and the team that we are, we feel like this is really, really funky,” Cain said.

AP Baseball Writer Janie McCauley contributed to this report.



LAUREN WELBORN News-Sun

Jackson Griffin powers through his downswing Thursday at Golf Hammock during Sertoma Junior Tour play.

## Golf tour heads to match play event

Continued from B1

his score of 74, coming in just before Rhett Pooley’s 76 followed by Colin Walkup’s 83.

The 15-16 boys were led by a 75 from Colin Kresl, a 79 from Nic Staffeiri, and an 81 from Sam Rogers.

The Hamilton twins topped the boys 13-14 division, with Seth carding 48 and Scott not far behind with a 50.

They were trailed by Julian Crozier who came in with a 54.

Beckham Donovan set the pace for the 11-12 boys with a score of 49.

Coming in behind him was Will Redding with a 54 and David Herbert with a 58.

A round of 49 from Zach Doorlag gave him first place in the 9-10 boys division.

Billy Carol was not far

behind with a 54, and Jaxon Davis was nipping at his heels with a 55.

Taking the girls 14-18 division this week was Morgan Bacendale’s 71, six strokes under Kendall Griffin’s 77 and still ahead of Sarah Likes’ 83.

The 11-13 girls division was won with Ashley Engle’s round of 55, shy of Hannah Revell’s 68 and Alyssa Armentrout’s 70.

The 6-8 year old boys and girls group was led by Parker Griffin’s 33, with Jack DuPriest and Brody Hall both turning in a 38 to tie for second.

Moving on to what is now the fifth event of the Sertoma slate, Thursday and Friday, July 18-19, will be the two-day, Bill Jarrett Ford Match Play Championship at River Greens.

## Marlins sign Moran

Associated Press

MIAMI — North Carolina third baseman Colin Moran, the sixth overall pick in baseball’s amateur draft, finalized an agreement with the Miami Marlins before Friday’s deadline.

Moran agreed to a signing bonus of \$3,516,500, which was the slot value assigned to the selection.

A native of Rye, N.Y., Moran hit .345 with 13 homers and an NCAA-high 91 RBIs as a junior for the Tar Heels, who lost to UCLA in the final of the College World Series.

The Marlins signed 29 of their 42 selections.

Third-round pick Ben Deluzio, an infielder from Wundermere, Fla., taken with the 80th selection, did not sign and plans to attend

Florida State.

Moran, a nephew of former big leaguer B.J. Surhoff, is expected to begin his professional career with Class A Greensboro on Monday.



STAY CLEAN  
IN '13

---

**UPHOLSTERY: CLEAN ONE PIECE OF UPHOLSTERY AT REGULAR PRICE AND RECEIVE A SECOND PIECE 1/2 OFF!**

The cleaning of the second piece is an add-on charge. See us for details. \*Some restrictions apply. Offer valid on residential carpet cleaning only. See us for details. ©2013 Stanley Steemer.



STANLEY STEEMER

AVON PARK 452-5800 • SEBRING 655-2190  
LAKE PLACID 465-1530

## Inspirational THOUGHTS & SCRIPTURES



By Patricia Valentine  
Psalms 56:3-4, “What time I am afraid, I will trust in thee. In God I will praise his word, in God I have put my trust; I will not fear what flesh can do unto

me.” It is in the midst of life’s storm that God lets us glimpse Him and worship Him as we never can otherwise. We sometimes get in an emotional storm because God wants to hear us say what David said: “What time I am afraid, I will trust in thee. When you are in the shadows and you see no way out, you have been taken there for a purpose, and that purpose is entirely about your view of Him. It’s only when you realize He’s all you have that you discover He’s all you need. Be Blessed!

Please support the above businesses. They have made this page possible.



ONE HOUR

HEATING & AIR CONDITIONING

Always On Hand... On Site! Pay & Go!

Residential • Commercial • Mobile Homes

“Small Enough to Know You... Large Enough to Serve You!”

302-8300 LAKE WALENS 465-3019

W.W. LUMBER CO.

“We’re More Than Just Lumber”

COMPLETE Building Supplies

465-3331

May 27 E. Lake Placid

Stephenson-Nelson Funeral Home



4001 Sebring Parkway Sebring, FL 33842  
111 E. Canal St. Avon Park, FL 33822

Chris T. Nelson  
Craig M. Nelson

WELLS MOTOR COMPANY

Jeep

DODGE CHRYSLER

Established 1931

1600 US 27 South • Avon Park

## ROOFING SPECIALIST

- Shingles
- Flat Roofs
- Roof Repairs
- Mobile Home Roofers

Cochran Brothers Roofing, Inc.

FULLY LICENSED & INSURED

State Lic # RC - 0066817

Quality Work at a Reasonable Price

FREE Estimates

863-385-4690

# Ball game of the streets living on

Continued from B1

The game is played on city streets in New York City's neighborhoods and took off around the turn of the 20th century.

It's a form of baseball with a twist: Instead of bats, hitters use broomsticks; instead of baseballs, pink rubber balls; instead of three strikes, each batter gets just one swing to hit the ball off the bounce; and instead of a baseball diamond, the field is determined by street lamps, manhole covers and parked cars.

Teams were largely reflections of the neighborhoods where they played: Italian players from Queens, black players from Harlem, Spanish players from East Harlem.

Professional baseball players such as Rusty Torres and former New York Yankees manager Joe Torre played growing up in Brooklyn.

The game was more than a diversion, said Alfred Jackson, who was still shagging fly balls barehanded at age 78.

He proudly identified himself as from 112th and Lexington, recalling a time when every block had a team.

"Every Sunday you'd see the kids out playing stickball in the street, and the cops chasing us," he said. "We played for money. It's how we got money to pay for whatever we needed — food, clothes, rent. And not every Sunday was a winning Sunday."

George "Lolin" Osorio, a Hall of Famer from Puerto Rico who moved to Manhattan in 1945, told of watching the older guys play when he was a kid.

They would play for big money, and give the kids a quarter to run up on the roof and fetch the balls.



Associated Press  
Stickball Hall of Famer George Osorio, from Puerto Rico, bats during a game in East Harlem, N.Y., Friday, July 12, 2013.

But the game has lost popularity with time, said Diaz. Players moved away, first to fight in wars overseas and later as the ravages of drugs and crime stripped city neighborhoods of their safety, their populations and their sense of community.

A small group of followers including George Vega, who was being inducted Friday, kept the game alive by playing in the late 1970s, '80s and '90s.

"I'm getting inducted because of the way I used to play, not the way I play now," said Vega, now 58, who grew up playing stickball on 104th Street in East Harlem but now resides in Bayonne, N.J. "The cataracts are getting in there. I'm a little slower, but I still run and I still hit."

Diaz estimates there are probably around 2,000 active competitive stickball players, playing in leagues in the

Bronx and Manhattan; Miami; Tampa, Fla.; San Diego; Puerto Rico; the Dominican Republic and Panama.

At a game prior to Friday's induction ceremony, a dozen old-timers gathered in a weed-choked, concrete schoolyard in Spanish Harlem.

They jovially talked trash in a mix of Spanish ("Ay! Que macho!"), Brooklynese ("Fughgedaboutit!") and general profanity-laced New York City English.

Their laughter was often sealed with a hacking cough. At 76, Osorio was still one of the fastest guys out there.

"It's not like any other sport," he said. "You don't really have fans and reporters and announcers. What you have is a small community. We don't forget. We have our memories that keep us going."

# Riley: Heat not planning to use amnesty

Associated Press

MIAMI — For now, the prospects of paying a big luxury-tax bill next year is not enough to dissuade Miami from its plan to keep the Heat's current championship core intact.

Heat President Pat Riley said Friday that the team does not currently plan to use its one-time amnesty option as a way of lightening its looming tax load, with the team's focus instead being on simply finding ways to get better.

"Right now, we're not using amnesty, no," Riley said.

Amnesty would allow the Heat to essentially cut one player and pay whatever is left on his contract, but without that salary counting against the team's cap space or add to future luxury-tax bills.

Miami is currently in line to pay more than \$30 million in tax for the coming season, though could shave off at least one-quarter of that by parting with someone like Joel Anthony or Mike Miller.

In a conference call Friday, Riley made clear that the team's plan is to add and not subtract, especially coming off two straight NBA championships.

"We want to win and we

want to win again next year and we're going to try to do everything we can to do that," Riley said. "What I said at the end of the season is what I meant. I want to try to keep this team intact as long as we can because we have a championship basketball team here and continuity being, I think the most important thing to when it comes to winning championships ... I would hate to break it up."

Riley said team officials will meet next week before this summer's amnesty window ends, so a change of plans is possible.

Still, Miami is expected to be the favorites heading into next season, even though several teams in the Eastern Conference should be better than they were this past season.

Brooklyn, most notably, made a huge splash this summer by acquiring Kevin Garnett, Paul Pierce and Jason Terry from the Boston Celtics — a move that helped drive the Nets' potential luxury-tax bill for this coming season well past the \$70 million mark.

"We understand the economic-slash-basketball ramifications of where we are in the game today," Riley said. "We're very diligent when it

comes to the economic-slash-basketball decisions that you have to make. What one other team does, it doesn't have any bearing on what we're thinking about. We're a three-time finalist, we've won back to back championships, we've got our entire core back, signed, opted-in and we're tickled to death with that."

As of now, all players from Miami's rotation this past season are expected back.

Ray Allen exercised his player option to return, and Chris Andersen signed a one-year deal to stay in Miami, a move that Riley said was huge.

"He'll be even better for us next year," Riley said. "It was crucial to keep him and we're very fortunate that he stayed."

Riley also said the team tried to land a perimeter player by offering the taxpayer mid-level during free agency, to no avail.

He has also remained in contact with the camp of free agent center Greg Oden, who is attempting a comeback after years of serious knee issues and hopes to be with an NBA club in time for training camp this fall.

SPORTS • EVENTS • LOCAL NEWS • NA

# Get

# The BEST

# Coverage

# in

# Highlands

# County

# Subscribe

# to

# the

# NEWS-SUN

Highlands County's Hometown Newspaper Since 1927

**CENTRAL FLORIDA WHEELS.COM**  
EVERYTHING AUTOMOTIVE

**FIND**  
The Best Car Deals On  
Centralfloridawheels.com



Business

# Two for one: Couple opens pair of businesses in AP

By ROD LEWIS

News-Sun correspondent

AVON PARK – It was getting harder to make a living in Rantoul, Ill., for Greg and Laura Henderson. Business was dropping off, and it seemed their business of almost 30 years was in jeopardy.

On a visit to Avon Park to visit Springtime on the Mall, they knew they had found a new place to live and to revitalize their business. On June 10, Avon Park welcomed two new businesses under one roof. Satori (which means to enlighten or enhance) Custom Merchandise, and Greg Henderson's Traditional Martial Arts studio, at 121 W. Main St.

Greg mentions his struggle with Aspergers syndrome, or autism, and how coping with that challenge has made him what he is today. When he was 4 years old, he began his training of martial arts in Okinawa. "Martial Arts helped him develop himself," says Laura.

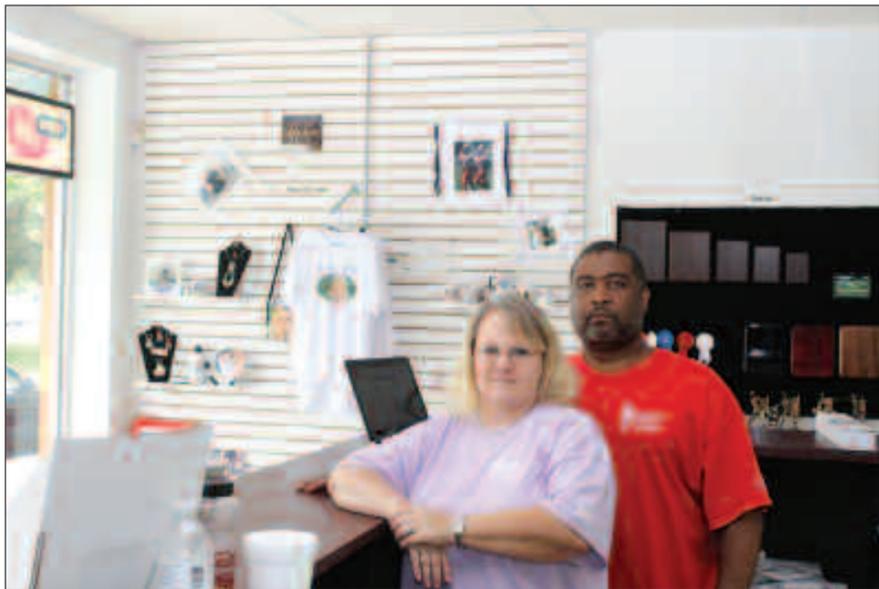
Greg talks about the confidence that the training has provided him, and the ability to cope with the pressures of life. He also talks about the journey of the arts.

He teaches in a very traditional style. Focusing on child development, he said, "We feel that Judo is a wonderful way for children to grow physically, mentally, and socially and for that reason we include a healthy dose of life skills in our lesson plans."

Greg has been teaching the martial arts for more than 40 years and teaches classes in Karate, Judo, Kendo, Iaido, Jujitsu, and Aikido. In addition to teaching the art, he also teaches students to read and write in Japanese.

"Satori Custom Merchandise came by necessity," Laura said.

Greg started a video production company that



Rod Lewis/News-Sun

Greg and Laura Henderson have opened two businesses under the same roof — Satori Custom Merchandise and Greg Henderson's Traditional Martial Arts Studio — at 121 W. Main St. in Avon Park.

## Satori Custom Merchandise, Henderson's Martial Arts both at 121 W. Main St.

stemmed out of his college career of marketing.

Laura said, "He needed business cards and could not afford to buy them, so he made them himself. He also did martial arts tournaments and needed awards, so he made the awards himself. Everything that is done was self taught."

They have been running the businesses successfully since 1992, until recently, when the economic downturn made it necessary to make a change. That change was relocating to Avon Park.

"We love it here; everyone is so inviting and welcoming," Laura said.

She thinks the quality products with the low prices will allow more people to take advantage of professional quality printing on a



budget they can afford. Available services include web design, digital printing, awards that include trophies and plaques, embroidery, signs and banners, screen-printing, full-color photo gift items, and advertising specialties.

For more information on Satori Custom, view its web page at Satoricustom.com, or check them out on Facebook and see samples of what they have done.

For Henderson's Martial Arts, check out <http://www.hendersonsmartialarts.com/>.

# Cranmer joins ERA Advantage Realty

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

Cranmer has more than 20 years in sales experience working in the construction and automotive industries.

Being a native Floridian, Cranmer grew up in West Palm Beach and moved to Highlands County in 2007.

Cranmer will be working alongside with her sister and mentor, Anita Zahn, Realtor.

"We first started coming to Highlands County in 1994 and immediately fell in love with the area. We were pleased to be able to move to the area in order to be closer to family and raise three children in a community with a small town atmosphere," Cranmer said.

"In today's market, growth is the only option, and attracting top talent is a surefire way to achieve that goal," said Greg Karlson, broker-owner. "We are thrilled to have a professional of Andreja Cranmer's caliber join our firm."

"Unwavering commitment to clients has been critical to my success, and ERA Advantage Realty's culture of collaboration,



Andreja Cranmer

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

As part of ERA Advantage Realty, Cranmer will be able to offer homebuyers and sellers global exposure plus a wide variety of innovative and market-relevant products and services, as well as robust online marketing programs, extensive listings distribution partners, and related services including mortgage, title and home warranty.

Contact Cranmer by calling ERA Advantage Realty's office at 386-1111, directly at 451-6400, email [acranmerrealtor@gmail.com](mailto:acranmerrealtor@gmail.com), or stop by the office at 743 U.S. 27 South, Sebring. The agency website is [www.erahighlands.com](http://www.erahighlands.com).

## Attend Private School for FREE!

Highlands University Preparatory School now enrolling for Fall 2013 semester.



All students in 5-8 grades take an etiquette class at HUPrep which includes an end of semester banquet.



Contact us if you want a quality education in a Christian environment.

863-385-3850 | [www.huprep.com](http://www.huprep.com)

Scholarships and financial aid may be available if there is a need.

Grades K4-12, educating the youth of Highlands County since 1979.

Free Tuition for a Year!

One new student that registers between now and the start of school will win free tuition for the entire year of 2013-2014 school year!

Just write a short note (less than one page) as to why your son or daughter wants to attend Highlands U-Prep.

All letters must be received by August 1, 2013 in the office.

1160 Persimmon Ave. Sebring, FL 33870  
Email: [admin@huprep.com](mailto:admin@huprep.com)

GET YOUR LOCAL NEWS STRAIGHT FROM THE SOURCE...

NEWS-SUN

**Heartland's BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT**

Your Ad Here!  
Call Terri at 863-386-5628

A boutique for 2 and 4 legged friends!  
Dogtown, USA opened earlier this year at 112 N. Ridgewood Drive, in Downtown Sebring. Owner Lora Todd, who is quite involved in organizing many downtown events, opened Dogtown USA because she felt a doggie boutique fits in perfectly with the uniqueness of downtown. Being a pet owner herself who loves spoiling her dog, Levi, Todd wants to offer unique gifts for not only the pet but the owners as well.  
Dogtown is a boutique for two- and four-legged friends. It is the local retailer for FROMM and NUTRI-SOURCE Grain Free Dog Food in a variety of flavors and sizes. It features Pet Art by Local Artists, spa products, clothing, toys, bedding, home decor items and more! We now offer Grooming Services! Call for an appointment.  
The store is open from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday-Friday, and from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturdays. For more information, call 402-0083. Pets are always welcome to stop in for a visit.

Your Ad Here!  
Call Terri at 863-386-5628

**OUTDOOR POWER EQUIPMENT**  
Service • Parts • Repairs  
Pete's Service for Most Brands  
Cub Cadet  
Is it time for your mower to be serviced?  
Royce Supply  
830 US 27 S. Lake Placid  
863-465-2180

Your Ad Here!  
Call Terri at 863-386-5628

**HAPPY OWL**  
Educational Resources  
Balloons • Party Supplies  
Lamination Services  
Gift Certificates  
327 N. Ridgewood Dr. NEW STORE HOURS:  
863-385-4544 8-11:00am-1pm  
Sun: 11am-1pm

## Outdoors

## Wildlife corridors the highways for fauna


**News From  
The  
Watershed**
*Corine Burgess*

Human beings need roads to get where they are going. Without these asphalt wonders, we would still be traversing in covered wagons over the dusty and rugged terrain. Animals also need paths and open areas where they can travel

safely from one natural space to another. Thousands of animals are killed every year by vehicles traveling along the many roads in Florida. Wildlife corridors are one solution to this huge problem for animals. By connecting green spaces or natural areas, animals have safe passage to move from one area to another without the danger of being hit by a passing car.

More and more people move to Florida every day. Many of the natural and agricultural areas are being converted into urban development.

As a result, the land that once housed many species of wildlife is now paved or developed in some way and the wildlife can no longer exist in those places. If you think about the needs of wildlife, you can well imagine that they would rather be in a wooded area of fairly large size. Also, most wild animals will move from one area to another throughout their lives in search of water, food or mates. Animals would prefer to move through protective cover, hidden from predators. That is where connecting corridors come in to play.

Connecting corridors are the strips of grass and/or shrubs and trees that connect larger habitat areas— whether they are wetlands, native grasses, woodlands, or other habitat. In recent years, interest in connecting corridors has grown because wildlife corridors are seen as ways to allow wildlife and plants



Courtesy photo

**Wildlife corridors give animals a way to move around without becoming a danger on roadways.**

to spread across natural landscapes that have been cut into pieces by roads, development, logging or other land disturbances.

This “cutting into pieces” is referred to as fragmentation. The dangers to wildlife are plentiful when this occurs. One of the negative effects of fragmentation is that it dramatically decreases the diversity of wildlife. It is critical to many species to have large areas of habitat for a variety of reasons such as migration patterns, species dispersion and gene flow. (National Wildlife Federation)

The corridors allow animals to find new resources and prevent isolation of species. Studies have shown that wild areas connected by corridors have more wildlife or greater biodiversity than disconnected fragments. There is some

concern about corridors entrapping some wildlife species, since predators can more easily find their prey in a narrow strip of habitat. For that reason, the wider the corridor, the better.

In most situations, landowners creating corridors may want to consider a design that is edge feathered, which includes zones of grasses, shrubs and trees all in the same corridor. The center of the corridor would be planted with trees, with strips of shrubs on each side, bordered on the outside by zones of grasses and legumes. This combination offers habitat for wildlife that may use all three types for food and cover, as well as wildlife that needs only one of the habitat types.

Many species have either disappeared or been drastically reduced in number because of habitat frag-

mentation. It is important to look to the future for the purposes of including these wildlife corridors in land management planning. If we want to enable wildlife to exist alongside of development, it is essential that future planning include these areas in an effort to allow wild animals and vegetation a place to travel and exist.

It is critical that species are allowed to move to new areas and travel to provide for their needs regarding diet, reproduction and protection. Their survival depends on it.

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

**11-foot, 700-pound croc found in Lake Tarpon**

TARPON SPRINGS (AP) — Wildlife officials say a 700-pound, 11-foot-long crocodile will likely be released back into the wild after it was captured in Tarpon Springs.

The Tampa Bay Times reports it took trapper Mike Amyx and three crew members more than four hours to capture the crocodile. Homeowner Wanda Vekasi called the trapper on Monday evening.

Florida Fish and Wildlife officials told the Times no other crocodile has been captured as far north as Tarpon Springs, in Pinellas County. In 2011, a croc was photographed in St. Petersburg.

Rumors of the crocodile circulated for more than a year.

American crocodiles are an endangered species. Experts say there are about 2,000 in Florida.

**SFWMD hires new executive director**

WEST PALM BEACH — There's a new executive director at the state agency overseeing water supply, flood control and Everglades restoration between Orlando and Key West.

The South Florida Water Management District's governing board on Thursday approved hiring Blake Guillory to replace Melissa Meeker.

Board chairman Daniel O'Keefe says Guillory brings more than two decades of water resource experience to the position.

Since 2011, Guillory has been executive director of the district managing water resources in west-central Florida, roughly from Williston to Port Charlotte.

# Union

*"Where you matter to God"*

# REVIVAL 65

## 3 inspiring messages:

July 15 - "What Are You Hungry For?"

July 16 - "The Grace Test"

July 17 - "What Must I Do To Be Saved?"

106 N. Butler Ave.  
Avon Park, FL 33825  
(863) 453-3345

[www.WEAREUNION.org](http://www.WEAREUNION.org)

**July 15-17 • 7:00pm**

*-Childcare provided*

*Celebrating Life And Ministry  
With Pastor Bill Breylinger*

*-Solid Grounds Cafe' open from  
5:30 pm - 6:45 pm*



## The Lists

## Spotify

- Most streamed tracks**
1. Robin Thicke, "Blurred Lines" (Star Trak LLC)
  2. Miley Cyrus, "We Can't Stop" (RCA Records)
  3. Imagine Dragons, "Radioactive" (KIDinaKORNER/Interscope Records)
  4. Macklemore & Ryan Lewis feat. Ray Dalton, "Can't Hold Us" (Macklemore)
  5. Daft Punk, "Get Lucky — Radio Edit" (Columbia Records)
  6. Daft Punk, "Get Lucky" (Columbia Records)
  7. Bruno Mars, "Treasure" (Atlantic Records)
  8. Macklemore & Ryan Lewis feat. Wanz, "Thrift Shop" (Macklemore)
  9. Justin Timberlake, "Mirrors" (RCA Records)
  10. J. Cole, "Power Trip" (Roc Nation/Columbia)

## Most viral tracks

1. Avicii, "Wake Me Up" (Avicii Music AB)
2. Krewella, "Live for the



- Night" (Columbia Records)
3. Lorde, "Royals" (Lava Music/Republic Records)
  4. Martin Garrix, "Animals — Original Mix" (Spinnin' Records)
  5. Lorde, "Tennis Court" (Lava Music/Republic Records)
  6. Atmosphere, "Bob Seger" (Rhymesayers)
  7. Robin Thicke, "Blurred Lines" (Star Trak, LLC)
  8. Lee Greenwood, "God Bless the U.S.A." (Capitol Nashville)
  9. Robin Thicke, "Give It 2 U" (Star Trak, LLC)
  10. Smallpools, "Dreaming" (RCA Records)

## iTunes

## Top songs

1. "Blurred Lines (feat. T.I. & Pharrell)," Robin Thicke
2. "We Can't Stop," Miley Cyrus
3. "Radioactive," Imagine Dragons
4. "Get Lucky (feat. Pharrell Williams)," Daft Punk
5. "Treasure," Bruno Mars
6. "Can't Hold Us (feat. Ray Dalton)," Ryan Lewis, Macklemore
7. "Cruise (Remix) (feat. Nelly)," Florida Georgia Line
8. "Same Love (feat. Mary Lambert)," Macklemore & Ryan Lewis
9. "Cups (Pitch Perfect's "When I'm Gone" - Pop Version), Anna Kendrick
10. "Come & Get It," Selena Gomez

## Top albums

1. "Magna Carta Holy Grail," Jay-Z
2. "Born Sinner," J Cole
3. "The Gifted," Wale
4. "Night Visions," Imagine Dragons
5. "Yeezus," Kanye West
6. "Pitch Perfect," Various Artists
7. "Random Access Memories," Daft Punk
8. "The Heist," Macklemore & Ryan Lewis
9. "Here's to the Good Times," Florida Georgia Line
10. "Glorious Ruins (Live)," Hillsong Live



## iPhone &amp; iPad

## Top Paid iPhone Apps

1. WhatsApp Messenger (WhatsApp Inc.)
2. Where's My Mickey? (Disney)
3. Heads Up! (Warner Bros.)
4. Minecraft - Pocket Edition (Mojang)
5. LEGO Batman: DC Super Heroes (Warner Bros.)
6. iTranslate Voice (Sonico GmbH)
7. Contra: Evolution (PunchBox Studios)
8. AfterLight (Simon Filip)
9. LIMBO Game (Playdead)
10. Rhonna Designs (Rhonna Farrer)

## Top Free iPhone Apps

1. Despicable Me: Minion Rush (Gameloft)
2. Candy Crush Saga, (King.com Limited)
3. True or False - Test Your Wits! (Games for Friends GmbH)
4. Google Maps (Google Inc.)
5. Instagram (Burbn Inc.)
6. Snapchat (Snapchat Inc.)
7. YouTube (Google Inc.)
8. Ask.fm (Ask.fm)
9. Facebook (Facebook Inc.)



10. Escape If You Can (Kaarel Kirsipuu)

## Top Paid iPad Apps

1. LEGO Batman: DC Super Heroes (Warner Bros.)
2. Minecraft - Pocket Edition (Mojang)
3. LIMBO Game (Playdead)
4. Where's My Mickey? XL (Disney)
5. SpongeBob Moves In (Nickelodeon)

## Top Free iPad Apps

1. Despicable Me: Minion Rush (Gameloft)
2. Candy Crush Saga, (King.com Limited)
3. Secret Passages: Hidden Objects (Pocket Gems Inc.)
4. Can You Escape (Kaarel Kirsipuu)
5. Design It! - Outfit Maker for Fashion Girls Makeover : Dress Up , Make Up and Tailor (TabTale LTD)

## PLACES TO WORSHIP

**Places to Worship is a paid advertisement in the News-Sun that is published Friday and Sunday. To find out more information on how to place a listing in this directory, call the News-Sun at 385-6155, ext. 596.**

## 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; strhodes1020@yahoo.com. Sunday Worship, 10 a.m. Teaching, Holy Communion, Music, Fellowship, Healing Prayer. "Pastoral and Spiritual".

## ASSEMBLY OF GOD

♦ **Christ Fellowship Church (Assembly of God)**, 2935 New Life Way. Bearing His Name; Preaching His Doctrine; and Awaiting His Coming. "Worshipping God in Spirit and in Truth." Sunday School, 9 a.m.; Morning Worship, 10 a.m.; Evening Worship, 6 p.m. Wednesday: Worship, 7 p.m. Pastor Eugene Haas. Phone 471-0924.

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

## BAPTIST

♦ **Avon Park Lakes Baptist Church**, 2600 N. Highlands Blvd., Avon Park, FL 33825. George Hall, Pastor. Christ centered and biblically based. Sunday worship services, 8:30 a.m., 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. Nursery facilities are available. Bible studies at 9:45 a.m. Sunday and 7 p.m. Wednesday. Prayer Time 6:30 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 Catylist 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@apfellowship.org; Web site, www.apfellowship.org.

♦ **First Baptist Church of Avon Park**, 100 N. Lake Ave., Avon Park. Rev. Jon Beck, pastor; Charlie Parish, associate pastor/youth and families; Joy Loomis, music director; Rev. Johnattan Soltero, Hispanic pastor. 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."

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

♦ **First Baptist Church of Lake Placid**, Knowing God's Heart and Sharing God's Hope, 119 E. Royal Palm St., Lake Placid, FL 33852 (863) 465-3721, Website: www.fbcpl.com. Email: information@fbcpl.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.fbcpl.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. Rev. Matthew D. Crawford, senior pastor; Rev. Nuno Norberto, associate pastor, minister of music and senior adults; and Dixie Kreulen, 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 Gardenia St., Lake Placid (just off of Miller at the west end of Lake June) "Where the old fashion gospel is preached." Sunday School begins at 9:30 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 Ar buckle Creek Road.) Sunday School, 9 a.m.; Morning Worship, 10:15 a.m.; Evening Service, 6 p.m. Mid-week service, Wednesday, 6 p.m. Daily Prayer and Bible Study, 8 a.m., Hamman Hall. Pastor Gerald Webber and Associate Pastors Don Messenger and Ted Ertle. Phone 382-4301.

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

♦ **Sparta Road Baptist Church, (SBC)** 4400 Sparta Road. Rev. 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 E. 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 (September to May) are 9-10:20 a.m. Sunday for grades K through 5th. Grades 6th through Youth Bible Study are from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Wednesday. Youth Nights grades 9th and up, 6:30-8:30 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@stcath.com; website, www.stcath.com. School Office/Mailing, Principal Dr. Anna V. Adam, 747 S. Franklin St., Sebring, FL 33870; 385-7300; fax, 385-7310; email school@stcath.com. School office hours 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday-Friday. Clergy: Very Rev. José González, V.F., fjose@stcath.com or 385-0049; Parochial Vicar, Rev. Victor Caviedes, 385-3993; Assisting Priest (retired), Rev. J. Peter Sheehan; Deacons, 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 Culpepper, senior pastor. Sunday: Bible classes, 9 a.m.; Worship Celebration with the Lord's Supper each week 10:15 a.m. Thelma Hall, organist; and Pat Hjort, pianist. Wednesday: Praise and Prayer, 6:30 p.m.; "Building God's Kingdom for Everyone." "Jesus Christ, the Way, Truth and Life!" "Alive and Worth the Drive!"

♦ **Sebring Christian Church**, 4514 Hammock Road, Sebring, FL 33872. Tod Schwingel, Preacher; Josh Knabel (812-618-7118), Youth Pastor. Sunday Worship, 9:30 a.m.; Sunday School, 11 a.m.; Sunday Youth Service, 6 p.m.; Evening service at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday night meals, 5:30 p.m. followed by classes at 6:30 p.m. Changing Seasons, a men's grief support group, meets at 1:30 p.m. Wednesdays. Alzheimer's 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 &amp; 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/lakeplacidcofc/.

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

## CHURCH OF 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.

# The Lists

## Concerts

**Pollstar's top tours**  
Ranks artists by average box office gross per city and includes the average ticket price for shows in North America. The previous week's ranking is in parentheses.

1. (1) The Rolling Stones; \$7,969,276; \$346.09.	\$566,551; \$36.20.
2. (2) Taylor Swift; \$2,188,099; \$85.18.	10. (11) Carrie Underwood; \$495,724; \$62.39.
3. (3) Kenny Chesney; \$1,919,435; \$74.36.	11. (13) Widespread Panic; \$416,309; \$46.05.
4. (4) Bon Jovi; \$1,612,999; \$104.13.	12. (14) Barry Manilow; \$354,265; \$57.72.
5. (5) Fleetwood Mac; \$1,390,010; \$108.91.	13. (15) Motley Crue; \$329,571; \$75.99.
6. (6) New Kids On The Block; \$838,510; \$66.69.	14. (16) Styx / REO Speedwagon / Ted Nugent; \$221,234; \$38.78.
7. (7) Jason Aldean; \$780,014; \$51.47.	15. (17) Jeff Dunham; \$211,902; \$48.20.
8. (8) Tim McGraw; \$575,811; \$36.47.	
9. (9) Brad Paisley;	



## Best-Sellers

### Wall Street Journal

#### FICTION

1. "Inferno" by Dan Brown (Doubleday)
2. "Second Honeymoon" by James Patterson, Howard Roughan (Little, Brown)
3. "And the Mountain Echoed" by Khaled Hosseini (Riverhead)
4. "Middle School: How I survived Bullies, Broccoli, and Snake Hill" by James Patterson, Chris Tebbetts and Laura Park (Little, Brown)
5. "Tales From a Not-So-Happy Heartbreaker" by Rachel Renee Russell (Aladdin)
6. "Affliction" by Laurell K. Hamilton (Berkley)
7. "The Heist" by Janet Evanovich, Lee Goldbert (Bantam)
8. "The Fault in Our Stars" by John Green (Dutton Books)
9. "Bad Monkey" by Carl Hiaasen (Knopf)
10. "The Ocean at the End of

the Lane" by Neil Gaiman (William Morrow)

#### NONFICTION

1. "Happy, Happy, Happy: My Life and Legacy as the Duck Commander" by Phil Robertson and Mark Schlabach (Howard Books)
2. "Lean In" by Sheryl Sandberg (Knopf)
3. "Jesus Calling: Enjoy Peace in His Presence" by Sarah Young (Thomas Nelson Publishers)
4. "The Duck Commander Family" by Willie Robertson (Howard Books)
5. "StrengthsFinder 2.0" by Tom Rath (Gallup Press)
6. "American Gun" by Chris Kyle with William Doyle (William Morrow & Co.)
7. "Let's Explore Diabetes with Owls" by David Sedaris (Little, Brown)
8. "Unbreakable: My Story, My Way" by Jenni Rivera (Atria)
9. "The Wimpy Kid Do-it-



Yourself Book" by Bill O'Reilly (Crown-Archetype)  
10. "Life Code: The New Rules for Winning in the Real World" by Phil McGraw (Bird Street Books)

#### FICTION E-BOOKS

1. "This Man Confessed" by Jodi Ellen Malpas (Grand Central Publishing)
2. "Second Honeymoon" by James Patterson, Howard Roughan (Little, Brown)
3. "Out of Breath" by Rebecca Donovan (Skyscape)
4. "Inferno" by Dan Brown (Doubleday)
5. "And the Mountains

Echoed" by Khaled Hosseini (Riverhead)

6. "Affliction" by Laurell K. Hamilton (Berkley)

#### NONFICTION E-BOOKS

1. "Forever, Erma: Best-Loved Writing From America's Favorite Humorist" by Erma Bombeck (Open Road Publishing)
2. "The Rise and Fall of the Third Reich: A History of Nazi Germany" by William L. Shirer and Ron Rosenbaum (Rosetta Books)
3. "Proof of Heaven" by Eben Alexander (Simon & Schuster)
4. "Unbreakable: My Story, My Way" by Jenni Rivera (Atria)
5. "Lean In" by Sheryl Sandberg (Knopf Doubleday Publishing Group)
6. "Bossypants" by Tina Fey (Little, Brown)
7. "Born Standing Up: A Comic's Life" by Steve Martin (Scribner)

# 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. Summer Sunday schedule, 9 a.m. and 6 p.m., June 2-Sept. 1, 10 a.m. Bible study, 6 p.m. Wednesday: Holy Communion with healing service, 9 a.m. Thursday. St. Francis Thrift Shop, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Friday, and 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday. (863) 840-3715.

## EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH OF AMERICA

♦ **The Church of the Way EFCA**, 1005 N. Ridgewood Drive, Sebring. Sunday school and worship service at 9 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Youth activities, 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays. The Way is a church family who gathers for contemporary worship, teaching of God's Word, prayer and fellowship. Come early and stay after for fellowship time. Child care and children's church are provided. Reinhold Buxbaum is pastor. The Way - A place for you. Office Phone: 471-6140, Church Cell Phone: 273-3674. Email: [thewaychurch@hotmail.com](mailto:thewaychurch@hotmail.com). Web site: [www.TheWayChurch.org](http://www.TheWayChurch.org)

## GRACE BRETHREN

♦ **Grace Brethren Church**, 3626 Thunderbird Road, (863) 835-0869. Dr. Randall Smith, senior pastor. Sunday services at 9 a.m., 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday services at 7 p.m. We offer "Kid City" Children's Ministry throughout all services, and there are various other classes for teens, married couples, "primitimers," 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.sebringrace.org](http://www.sebringrace.org).

## INDEPENDENT

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

## INTERDENOMINATIONAL

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

## LUTHERAN

♦ **Atonement Lutheran Church (ELCA)**, 1178 S.E. Lakeview Drive., Sebring. David Thoresen, Deacon, Spiritual Leader, on first, third and fifth Sunday each month, and Rev. Jefferson Cox on the second and fourth Sunday of each month. Jim Helwig, organist/choir director. Worship service at 9:30 a.m.; Holy Eucharist is every Sunday. Coffee hour on the first and third Sunday of each month. Council meeting on the first Tuesday of month; Ladies Group WELCA meets at noon second Tuesday of month with lunch. Bring a dish to pass. Labyrinth Prayer Garden open seven days a week to congregation and community. Come grow with us. Phone 385-0797.  
♦ **Christ Lutheran Church Avon Park** -

**LCMS**, 1320 County Road 64, 1/2 mile east of Avon Park High School past the four-way stop sign. Sunday Divine Worship is at 10 a.m. Holy Communion is celebrated every week with traditional Lutheran Liturgy, hymns and songs of praise. Fellowship time with coffee and refreshments follows worship. Come worship and fellowship with us. For information call Pastor Scott McLean at (863) 471-2663 or see [christlutheranavonpark.org](http://christlutheranavonpark.org).  
♦ **Faith Lutheran Church - LCMS**, 2740 Lakeview Dr, Sebring Church phone: 385-7848 Faith Child Development Center: 385-3232. Summer Sunday Worship Service: 10 a.m. Communion served 1st, 3rd & 5th Sunday. Sunday School & Bible Classes: 9:00 a.m. Worship Svc. Broadcast at 10 a.m. on WITS 1340AM each Sunday. Educational opportunities include weekly adult Bible studies, Faith's Closet Thrift Store (385-2782) is open from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Tuesday-Friday and 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday. All are warmly welcome in the Family of Faith.

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

♦ **New Life Evangelical Lutheran Church**, 3725 Hammock Road, a Congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod (ELS) in fellowship with the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS). Sunday Worship at 10 a.m.; Bible Study, 9 a.m. For more information, call Pastor Luke Willitz at 385-2293 or visit the Web site at [www.newlifesebring.com](http://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 Preschool, Youth Group activities (call for meeting times and dates). Visit us online at: [www.Trinitylutheranlp.com](http://www.Trinitylutheranlp.com).

## NON-DENOMINATIONAL

♦ **Bible Fellowship Church**, 3750 Hammock Road, Sebring, FL 33872. Sunday: American Sign Language: First Worship sermon, songs signed first and second Worship services. First Worship service, 9 a.m.; Second Worship service, 10:45 a.m. Nursery (up to 2 years old) and Sunday school classes both hours. BFC Youth, 6 p.m.; Evening Service, 6 p.m. Wednesday: 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](http://www.bfcsebring.com). Church office 385-1024.

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

♦ **Christian Training Ministries Inc.**, on Sebring Parkway. Enter off County Road 17 on Simpson Avenue. Sunday service is at 10 a.m.; Wednesday Bible study at 7

p.m. A nursery and children's church are provided. The church is part of Christian International Ministries Network, a full gospel, non-denominational ministry. Linda M. Downing, minister, [lindadowning@live.com](mailto:lindadowning@live.com). Casey L. Downing, associate minister, [caseydowning@hotmail.com](mailto:caseydowning@hotmail.com). Church phone: 314-0482. Web site: [www.ctmforme.com](http://www.ctmforme.com)

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

♦ **Grace Bible Church**, 4541 Thunderbird Road, (second church on left) Sebring, FL 33872. Phone, 382-1085. 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](http://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.  
♦ **New Beginnings Church of Sebring**, meeting at The Morris Chapel, 307 S. Commerce Ave., Sebring, FL 33870. Pastor Gary Kindle. Bible study every Sunday, 9 a.m. Blended Church Service, 10:15 a.m. Phone (863) 835-2405. [www.newbeginningschurchofsebring.com](http://www.newbeginningschurchofsebring.com) Begin your week with us.

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

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

♦ **Unity Life Enrichment Centre**, new location, 10417 Orange Blossom Blvd. S., Sebring, FL 33875; 471-1122; e-mail [unity@vistanet.net](mailto:unity@vistanet.net). Web site, [www.unity-ofsebring.org](http://www.unity-ofsebring.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. Pastor Tom Schneider. A Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America. Sunday morning worship: Traditional service, 10:30 a.m.; Sunday school, 9:15 a.m. Wednesday evening Prayer Meeting, 6 p.m.; Children's/Youth Group, 5:30-7 p.m.; choir practice, 7:15 p.m. Phone: 385-3234; Fax: 385-2759; e-mail: [covpres@strato.net](mailto:covpres@strato.net); Web site: [www.cpc-sebring.org](http://www.cpc-sebring.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](mailto: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.fjplp.com](http://www.fjplp.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](mailto:springlakepc@embarqmail.com), Web site, <http://slpc.embarqspace.com>.

## SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST

♦ **Avon Park Seventh-day Adventist Church**, 1410 West Avon Blvd., Avon Park. Phone: 453-6641 or e-mail: [avon-parkada@embarqmail.com](mailto:avon-parkada@embarqmail.com), Sabbath School, 9:30 a.m. Saturday. Church Service 10:45 a.m. Saturday. Wednesday prayer meeting 7 p.m. Community Service hours on Tuesday and Thursday is from 9:00 a.m. till 2 p.m. A sale takes place the first Sunday of each month. Senior Pastor Frank Gonzalez. Walker Memorial Academy Christian School offering education for kindergarten through 12th grades. ALL ARE WELCOME. Associate Pastor is Ryan Amos. Website is [www.discoverjesus.org](http://www.discoverjesus.org)  
♦ **Sebring Seventh-Day Adventist Church**, 2106 N. State Road 17, Sebring; 385-2438. Worship Services: 9:15 a.m. Worship hour, 11 a.m. Prayer meeting, Tuesday, 7:15 p.m. Community service: every Monday 9-11 a.m. Health Seminar with Dr. Seralde, every Friday, 10:00 a.m. Pastor Nathan Madrid.

## THE CHURCH OF LATTER DAY SAINTS

♦ **The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints**, 3235 Grand Prix Dr., Sebring, FL 33872; (863) 382-9092 Steve Austin, Bishop; Mark Swift, 1st Counselor; Del

Murphy, 2nd Counselor. Family History Center (863) 382-1822. Sunday Services: Sacrament Meeting, 10-11:10 a.m.; Gospel Doctrine, 11:20 a.m. to noon; Priesthood/Relief Society, 12:10-1p.m.; Primary for children, 11:15 a.m. to 1 p.m.; Youth Activities: Wednesdays, 7-8:20 p.m. Scouts: first and third Wednesday, 7-8:20 p.m. Activity Days: 8-11 yr old Boys and Girls, second and fourth Wednesdays, 7-8:20 p.m.

## THE SALVATION ARMY

♦ **The Salvation Army - Center for Worship**. Sunday: Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Holiness meeting, 11 a.m.; and 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](http://www.salvationarmysebring.com) or call Major Bruce Stefanik at 385-7548, ext. 110.

## UNITED METHODIST

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

♦ **First United Methodist Church**, 200 S. Lake Ave., Avon Park, FL 33825. (863) 453-3759, Devon Jarrett, Pastor. Sunday School - 9 a.m., Worship - 10:30 a.m. Bible study every Wednesday at 6 p.m. Visit us at our church website: [www.fum-cap.org](http://www.fum-cap.org).

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

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

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

## UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

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

# Chalk Talk

## Local student graduates from Union College

LINCOLN, Neb. – Kirsten Megan Johnson of Avon Park graduated with a Bachelor of Social Work in Social Work during the Union College Commencement ceremonies on May 5. Union College awarded 166 degrees to 155 students.

Johnson graduated with the honors designation of Summa Cum Laude with a grade-point average of 3.9-4.0.

Union College offers active learning in a vibrant Christian atmosphere where students are empowered to lead. Founded in 1891 by the Seventh-day Adventist church, Union is an accredited, comprehensive college and a member of the Nebraska Independent College Foundation. Union enrolls 900 students from 46 states and 31 countries. The campus, 50 acres of tree-covered property in southeast Lincoln, Neb., is a site of the statewide arboretum system.

With a focus on undergraduate students, Union's nurturing environment offers a traditional liberal arts education combined with practical experiences such as internships, academic and career counseling, study abroad and volunteer opportunities. In the comfortable campus atmosphere where professors, not graduate students, teach classes, Union students can choose from more than 50 majors, emphases and minors in 27 fields of study, including a Master of Physician Assistant Studies, or a personalized degree. For more information, visit [www.ucollege.edu](http://www.ucollege.edu).

## Local resident graduates from William & Mary

WILLIAMSBURG, Va. – Bradley Stayton from Lake Placid recently graduated from the College of William & Mary with a bachelor's degree.

Founded by royal charter in 1693, William & Mary is the second oldest educational institution in the nation. During the past 300 years, the college has educated three U.S. presidents – Thomas Jefferson, James Monroe and John Tyler – numerous senators and members of congress and other national and international leaders. William & Mary is currently ranked among the nation's top 10 public universities and has been designated a "Public Ivy."

## Local youth groups attend program at Walt Disney World

AVON PARK – Walker Memorial Academy of Avon Park traveled to Epcot at Walt Disney World Resort on May 14 to take part in the Disney Youth Education Series Program(s) (Y.E.S.) "Introduction to Global Citizenship."

Each year, individuals and groups from around the world travel to Walt Disney World Resort to take part in one of several Disney Y.E.S. programs. Most of the programs take place in and behind the scenes of the resort's world-famous theme parks.

Areas of study include career discovery, life management, physical science, natural science, history, and art and humanities. The programs use varied resources onstage and backstage to bring real world examples to the learning experience. These two- to three-hour interactive educational experiences are available at both the Walt Disney World Resort in Florida and Disneyland Resort in California. They are led by professional Disney facilitators who help guide the students and assist them in understanding the key lessons.

For more information on Disney Y.E.S. Programs, visit [www.DisneyYES.com](http://www.DisneyYES.com) or call 800-603-0552.

## Clown classes begin Aug. 2



Courtesy photo

Dr. Icky Nicky (Dr. Nick Reed) and C-note (Carol Heausler) visit Florida Hospital Lake Placid with a multitude of gags and gimmicks, including a guitar made out of a bedpan. Join the fun of being a clown in the next clown class being held Aug. 2-4 at The American Clown Museum, School, and Gift Shop in Lake Placid at 109 W. Interlake Blvd. Learn face painting, ballooning, magic and skit production. Call 465-2920 or 243-8473.

## Early Heller story to be published this month

NEW YORK (AP) — Before Joseph Heller satirized the madness of war in "Catch-22," he told a serious tale about the tragedy of racism.

"Almost Like Christmas," to appear next week in Strand Magazine, is a grim short story about the stabbing of a Southern white, the town's thirst for revenge and the black man who has resigned himself to blame. Written in the late 1940s or early '50s, after Heller had returned from World War II, the story has rarely been seen and offers a peek at the early fiction of one of the 20th century's most famous writers.

"Heller was to a large extent a guy who saw through hypocrisy, greed, and the backward nature of a mob better than most writers — so

it's no wonder that he turned his pen to a racist mob in a small southern town," said Andrew Gulli, managing editor of the Strand, a publication based in Birmingham, Mich., that has unearthed little known works by Mark Twain, Graham Greene and others.

From the start, "Almost Like Christmas" is a portrait of a worn out community. One character has the "hopeless, stupid, waxen look of a drunkard." A window's "coarse patterns of grime" reminds another character of "diseased tissue," while the voice of a third man has a "shrill, whinnying, malicious hysteria."

In this unnamed place, a terrible fight ("the primordial brutality of an alley fracas") has left a white man

in a coma, local residents seething and a young black man, Jess Calgary, as the prime suspect. A white school teacher, identified as "Carter," has the awful task of convincing Calgary that he should come into town for questioning.

"Almost Like Christmas" is as bleak as any of Heller's novels, but without the dark humor he would become famous for. Heller biographer Tracy Daugherty said that at the time Heller had yet to develop his own literary voice and was instead mimicking the style of magazine stories.

"William Saroyan was a huge influence on Heller at the time — stories of Depression-era hardships, written in a hard-boiled style," said Daugherty.

# Wells Motor Company - Since 1931

# ★ ★ NO DEALER FEES! ★ ★

NOT NOW. NOT EVER.

<b>2003 Ford Mustang</b>  <b>LOW MILES</b>  \$11,999 <b>\$9,999</b>	<b>2006 Chrysler Town &amp; Country Limited</b>  <b>LOADED</b>  \$11,995 <b>\$10,997</b>	<b>2010 Dodge Calibur SXT</b>  <b>CERTIFIED</b>  \$15,995 <b>\$14,750</b>	<b>2010 Nissan Altima</b>  <b>SHARP</b>  \$18,495 <b>\$16,999</b>
<b>2012 Kia Soul</b>  <b>VERY NICE</b>  \$18,495 <b>\$17,282</b>	<b>2012 Kia Sorrento</b>  <b>LOCAL TRADE</b>  \$20,995 <b>\$18,742</b>	<b>2012 Ford Focus SEL</b>  <b>LOW MILES</b>  \$20,895 <b>\$18,782</b>	<b>2011 Jeep Patriot 4x4</b>  <b>CERTIFIED Jeep</b> \$22,350 <b>\$18,982</b>
<b>2012 Dodge Grand Caravan SXT</b>  <b>CERTIFIED</b>  \$22,995 <b>\$20,782</b>	<b>2012 Dodge Journey</b>  <b>LIKE NEW</b>  \$21,995 <b>\$20,898</b>	<b>2012 Nissan Frontier</b>  <b>CREW CAB</b>  \$24,650 <b>\$22,782</b>	<b>2011 RAM 1500 SLT</b>  <b>CLEAN</b>  \$24,995 <b>\$22,882</b>
<b>2013 Ford Edge</b>  <b>LIKE NEW</b>  \$27,995 <b>\$23,882</b>	<b>2010 Chrysler Town &amp; Country Limited</b>  <b>CERTIFIED</b>  \$26,915 <b>\$23,982</b>	<b>2012 Ram 1500 Laramie</b>  <b>RAM BOX</b>  \$43,995 <b>\$37,882</b>	<b>2011 Ford F350 Crew</b>  <b>4x4</b>  \$43,995 <b>\$40,782</b>

VISIT OUR ONLINE SHOWROOM AT [WWW.WELLSMC.COM](http://WWW.WELLSMC.COM)

# WELLS MOTOR COMPANY

Wells Motor Company is a proud seller of Jeep, Chrysler and Dodge vehicles for over 81 years!

**Jeep DODGE CHRYSLER RAM**



1600 US 27 S Avon Park, FL 33825

Avon Park & Sebring: 863-453-6644  
 Lake Placid & Others: 1-888-453-6644

Visit us online! [www.WELLSMC.com](http://www.WELLSMC.com)



certified pre-owned



View our full inventory online with a click of your smart phone!

Quick Response Code



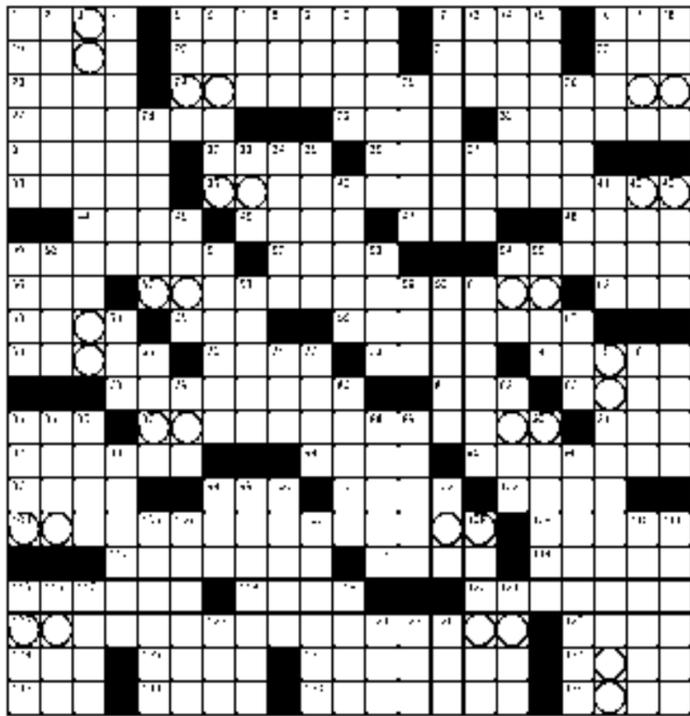
Or visit [www.WellsMC.com](http://www.WellsMC.com). View all our full new & used inventory from the convenience of your home!

# Diversions/Puzzles

## BORDER STATES

- ACROSS**
- 1 Filled fast food
  - 5 Orange County city
  - 12 Picks, with "for"
  - 16 Improv piece
  - 19 Algerian seaport
  - 20 Brand formerly marketed as Philishave outside the U.S.
  - 21 \_\_\_-mutuel
  - 22 Fruity finish?
  - 23 Way off the highway
  - 24 Land on the Red Sea
  - 27 Pick up the tab for
  - 29 Homeowner's burden
  - 30 They include skateboarding and snowboarding
  - 31 "\_\_\_ Angel": doo-wop classic
  - 32 \_\_\_ about
  - 36 Genus subdivision
  - 38 Mall unit
  - 39 Eponymous Italian educator
  - 44 Yule quenchers
  - 46 Ben Gurion airline
  - 47 '60s activist gp.
  - 48 Fancy pitcher
  - 49 Laura Bush's birth city
  - 52 Turow work about first-year law students
  - 54 About to come up
  - 56 "I'd like to buy \_\_\_"
  - 57 Time Warner, to CNN
  - 62 Driller's deg.
  - 63 Diagnostic test
  - 65 Sling spirits
  - 66 Rise dramatically
  - 68 Driver's license word, maybe
  - 70 "Horton Hears a Who!" villain
  - 73 "Don't change that"
  - 74 New Zealand exports
  - 78 Wrongly left the base
  - 81 Russian fighter
  - 83 Rain block
  - 84 MC's aid
  - 87 Periodic "Top Chef" judge with a restaurant in Manhattan
  - 91 Wee
- DOWN**
- 1 Linzer treats
  - 2 Biblical landfall
  - 3 She voiced Princess Fiona in "Shrek"
  - 4 Policing the area
  - 5 Future MD's course
  - 6 Bad news at the inn
  - 7 Altar constellation
  - 8 N.T. epistle
  - 9 Actor Wallace
  - 10 Myth ending
  - 11 Philosophy espousing a single reality
  - 12 Like some auto leases
  - 13 Kitchen cooker
  - 14 Upstairs neighbor of Ralph and Alice
  - 92 Orbital extreme
  - 94 Una y \_\_\_ vez: time after time
  - 95 Grabbed the chance
  - 97 Golfer Aoki
  - 98 Yukon winter hrs.
  - 101 Smaller serving
  - 103 Learned
  - 104 Rioter's weapon
  - 109 City on the Po
  - 112 California city associated with the founding of Hells Angels
  - 113 Normandy river
  - 114 "Friend \_\_\_?"
  - 115 Not vulnerable (to)
  - 118 Score symbol
  - 120 Ford and others
  - 122 Macro, e.g.
  - 127 Bedtime in Burgundy
  - 128 Music-licensing org.
  - 129 Affectedly quaint, in Colchester
  - 130 "Great show!" in headlines
  - 131 Theater
  - 132 Utmost
  - 133 Word often written diagonally on signs
  - 134 Taboo
  - 135 River in central Germany

By R. NORRIS & J. NICHOLS LEWIS



Solution on page B5

- 15 Sears
- 16 "Queen Zixi of Ix" author
- 17 Not going
- 18 Brews for parties
- 25 Gourd fruits
- 26 Got fresh with
- 28 Thing to mind, on train platforms
- 33 Captain Kidd's negative
- 34 DuPont acrylic
- 35 Cheerful
- 37 Amt. after a period
- 40 Smart ones?
- 41 Due
- 42 Stamp on a packing list
- 43 Peeves
- 45 Catch
- 49 Sour \_\_\_
- 50 Worshipper of the sun god Inti
- 51 Hooley
- 53 Hacks
- 54 CN Tower prov.
- 55 Stoooge chuckle
- 58 Zhou of China
- 59 He played Clubber Lang in "Rocky III"
- 60 Vichy verse
- 61 Temple Grandin's disorder
- 64 Below zero: Abbr.
- 67 Stomach part?
- 69 Actor Rob
- 71 Bowl over
- 72 Lamebrain
- 75 Under-the-hood cleaner
- 76 Culinary author Rombauer
- 77 Fix, as a pet
- 79 TV's "Science Guy"
- 80 Ukraine city
- 82 Eat away
- 84 Seriously injure
- 85 \_\_\_ facto
- 86 Stove fuel
- 88 It can be dipped in dip
- 89 Meteorologist's tool
- 90 73-Across writer
- 93 Err
- 96 Allstate online subsidiary
- 98 Many a GI
- 99 Like Capone's face
- 100 Moderates, with "down"
- 102 A, in Augsburg
- 105 From soup \_\_\_
- 106 Punch combo
- 107 Make bread from chips?
- 108 "Earthsea" series author Ursula
- 110 First-aid kit staple
- 111 Empty \_\_\_
- 115 SALT weapon
- 116 NYC cultural center
- 117 International Year of Astronomy year
- 119 Dog who reveals he can speak in "Tik-Tok of Oz"
- 121 Kitchen add-on?
- 123 Sushi selection
- 124 What U can follow
- 125 Mite
- 126 Sulu player John

# U-turn or you-turn?



## Pause And Consider

Jan Merop

"Oh, oh! We need to make a U-turn," my husband Ken exclaimed. "We are definitely going the wrong way."

"The U-turn is probably just up ahead," I responded as I looked at the map and referred to our printed directions again.

We pondered how we could have missed our turn off with all the guidance we had in our hands. But, sometimes while traveling in unfamiliar places, distractions, unclear signs (or lack of them) or misjudgment causes us to fly right by our exit or turn.

As we traveled further along in the wrong direction, signs that said "No U-turn" frustrated our efforts to get turned around.

"I'll keep driving. Surely there must be some place we can turn around," Ken said. Keeping a close watch for signs (and glancing at the clock for the time we felt we were wasting), we finally came to a place where it was safe and permissible to turn around. At last we were heading in the right direction to correct our wrong choice.

And then, up ahead, just a couple of blocks from our destination, traffic came to a standstill while they cleared accident vehicles from a railroad track. So close, yet so far away. After what seemed like hours (but actually took only minutes), the accident was cleared. We proceeded

to locate our destination with time to spare.

Isn't it good to know that God allows U-turns in life's choices too? Or maybe we should call them You-turns.

Next to being a wife and mom, I had always wanted to be a teacher. But, I let fear of the unknown (being away at college) keep me from pursuing my dream. Instead I became an executive secretary.

With God, however, nothing is ever wasted.

Through motherhood and church, the teacher in me never ceased to exist. Then God placed on my heart a passion to write. In that calling and through that craft, he gave me a U-turn while keeping my original desire in tact and using my secretarial skills, too.

Actually, it was a "you-turn." God knew when I was ready. Like the travel obstacles we faced on that day, I came up against bumps in life's journey that seemed to delay progress. But, a "you-turn" embraces submission and perseverance so the Lord can lead us step by step.

Psalm 119: 105, NKJV, reminds us that God's Word will never lead us astray when it says, "Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path."

Is God trying to turn you around? Selah

Jan Merop of Sebring is a News-Sun correspondent.

# You have a lot on your mind, Taurus

Metro News Services

## Aries (March 21-April 20)

– Aries, work to strengthen a relationship with a coworker or acquaintance. Developing this relationship now will bear fruit down the road.

**Taurus (April 21-May 21)** – Taurus, take some time for quiet contemplation this week. You have a lot of things on your mind and need to work through them before you can focus on other things.

**Gemini (May 22-June 21)** – Gemini, you may find yourself on a spending spree and it may be difficult to know when to put your credit cards away. Bring a friend along to help you reign in your spending.

**Cancer (June 22-July 22)** – Cancer, with so many big decisions looming on the horizon, you may be thinking of running away from it all. But all of your problems will still be waiting for you when you get back.

**Leo (July 23-Aug. 23)** – Leo, people have been coming at you from all angles and you're ready for a break. Retreat to a quiet place sometime this week and pamper yourself.

**Virgo (Aug. 24-Sept. 22)** – A change of scenery breathes new life into your daily routine, Virgo. Although it may be temporary, you will embrace the opportunities to recharge for a while.

**Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)** – Libra, a new job may give you a new perspective on life. Make the most of this new perspective and apply it to both your personal and professional lives.

## Horoscope

**Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)** – Scorpio, sometimes people just do not get your sense of humor, so don't be upset if a joke doesn't garner the laughs you anticipated. Your closest companions will still share a laugh.

**Sagittarius (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** – Sagittarius, you will host a house full of guests this week. This role suits you well, so don't worry as the party draws closer and the pressure begins to mount.

**Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 20)** – Capricorn, the final countdown until big changes are in store has begun. Are you ready for all of the things you still have to get done? If not, get busy and enlist a few helpers.

**Aquarius (Jan. 21-Feb. 18)** – Aquarius, you are often supportive of those around you and they appreciate that support. Continue to be a valued friend and confidante, and you'll be happy you did.

**Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20)** – Pisces, you may have to ask for some help this week. Accept this support and recognize it's necessary to get the job done.

## Famous birthdays

July 14 - Jane Lynch, actress (53); July 15 - Lana Parrilla, actress (36); July 16 - Jayma Mays, actress (34); July 17 - Luke Bryan, singer (37); July 18 - Wendy Williams, TV host (49); July 19 - Campbell Scott, actor (52); and July 20 - Julianne Hough, actress (25).

# Woman irked that married friends can't seem to leave spouses at home

**Dear Abby:** I am a 58-year-old woman who would like your take on a problem I have with several married female friends and my married sister. During the many years I have been close to these couples, the women seem unable to have one-on-one conversations, outings or a lunch date with me without including their husbands.

Several times after making a lunch date, one friend, unbeknownst to me, has called her husband and invited him as well. Another friend's husband never seems to allow her to talk to me alone, and will even be on speaker or another phone listening – again, unbeknownst to me until he suddenly says something.

My sister will not read her emails from me, but instead has her husband read them aloud to her while she's doing something else and then dictates a few words to reply to me with. Consequently, I stopped emailing her and told her why.

There is nothing I would say to these ladies that I wouldn't want their husbands to hear, but can you tell me why certain women feel a need to include their spouses in their female relationships in this manner? At the very least, I feel it is extremely rude.

– Frustrated With My BFFs

**Dear Frustrated:** Your friends may assume that you like their husbands' company as much as they do. They may feel that because they tell their spouses "everything," their menfolk might as well hear what you have



Dear Abby

to say directly from you. Or their husbands may be retired or semi-retired and have no social lives of their own. Of course, the way to get a direct answer to your question would be to ask them why they do this, and because you feel it is rude, you should tell them.

As to your sister, she may be too busy with household chores to read your emails and reply to them, which is why she has her husband read them to her, or you may have sent more than she can handle. Not sending her any more emails is not the solution; telling her how you feel might be.

**Dear Abby:** Last year a neighbor confided to me that she had been sexually assaulted. In an effort to both show and invite compassion, I told her I empathized with her because I had been assaulted on multiple occasions as a child and teen decades ago.

I have now learned that this woman has told other neighbors that I "had sex with a lot of men," but she failed to put it in the context that I was a child victim of multiple predators.

How should I respond to this? Should I ignore the situation or explain the truth to the neighbors? I don't know

whether or not to confront the woman who divulged the information. I am shocked that she'd do such a thing.

I have no shame or guilt issues over what happened to me because I worked through that long ago. But I'm at a loss about what, if anything, I should do. I have already learned the painful lesson that she wasn't worthy of my trust and has serious issues of her own.

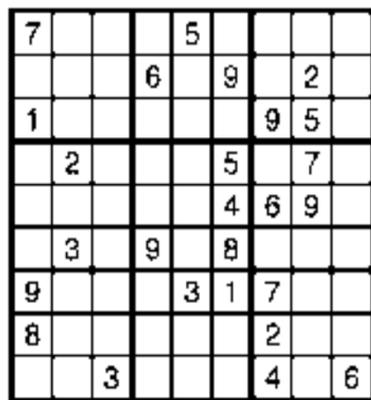
What are your thoughts on this matter?

– Re-Victimized

**Dear Re-Victimized:** You have every right to be angry with the blabbermouth. Because the word is out, set the record straight with the neighbors who were kind enough to tell you your confidence wasn't respected. And in the future, I wouldn't blame you if you avoided the woman who started the rumors whenever possible, and let her know why.

Write Dear Abby at [www.DearAbby.com](http://www.DearAbby.com) or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069.

## SUDOKU



Fun By The Numbers

Use puzzle? Then you'll love sudoku! This mind-bending puzzle will have you hooked from the moment you square off. So sharpen your pencil and put your sudoku savvy to the test!

### Here's How It Works:

Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid broken down into 3x3 sub-grids. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numbers already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!



ANSWER:

# Living

# Help Your Pet

# LIVE A LONG, HEALTHY LIFE

FAMILY FEATURES

**P**et parents do everything they can to ensure their dogs and cats are around as long as possible. Pets, much like humans, need a healthy diet and plenty of exercise to help them live a long and happy life.

## Good nutrition is key

There are many factors involved when it comes to choosing a pet food for your dog or cat. Keep in mind if your pets aren't digesting the ingredients properly, nutrition is not being absorbed. Get maximum nutrition from every bite by purchasing a natural, high quality food with a digestive health support system, such as Holistic Select Natural Pet Food. Ingredients to look for include:

- **Probiotics** — or good bacteria — help keep your pet's immune system healthy. Holistic Select contains live probiotics that are added to the food after it has been cooked and cooled. This process assures maximum survival of the probiotics, so that your pet reaps the full benefits of their food.
- **Prebiotics** stimulate the growth and maintenance of good bacteria, like probiotics, in your pet's digestive tract.
- **Fiber** plays an important role in human digestive health, and it also plays an integral role in your pet's digestive health. Look for foods with fiber-rich ingredients, such as oatmeal, flaxseed, pumpkin and papaya to promote digestive regularity.
- **Digestive enzymes** help your pet's body break down proteins, fiber and carbohydrates. This ensures your pet is getting the nutrients from their food, while reducing stress on their organs. This is especially crucial for aging pets.

## Get pets moving every day

Dogs and cats used to have to work for a living. Many were bred to be mousers, hunters, herders or protectors. Most pets today have a much more sedentary lifestyle. They spend their days lying around, waiting for their human companions to come home and are rewarded for their patience with a big bowl of food. However, regular exercise supports healthy circulation of both nutrients and waste and is essential for a pet to have a happy and long life.

Experts recommend cat owners plan a daily play session. Toys that mimic the actions of their natural prey — birds, mice or bugs — should get them up and moving. Dogs need to be walked for 20 to 30 minutes each day, while larger breeds often need much more. At your next veterinarian visit, ask if your pooch is healthy enough for an exercise program and ask for recommendations based on breed.

Adequate exercise is an important step toward good health. It's also a great way to reduce such unwanted behaviors as chewing, digging, scratching or whining.

To learn more about the importance of digestive health for your pet, visit [www.HolisticSelect.com](http://www.HolisticSelect.com).

