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Katara Simmons/News-Sun file photo

The fireworks will fire over Lake Jackson on July 4 after the city council agreed to fund up to \$10,000 for the show if the CRA provides \$5,000.

## Fireworks will fly on 4th of July in Sebring

With deadline looming, council OKs funds

BY SAMANTHA GHOLAR  
Staff Writer

SEBRING — In exactly three months, the night sky above Lake Jackson will fill with red, white and blue excitement ... and the sighs of relief of countless residents and business owners throughout the city. After serious doubt, the fireworks show will go on this year on Friday, July 4 after the Sebring City Council, with three newly elected

officials, voted unanimously to allocate funds to contribute to the annual Fourth of July fireworks display over Lake Jackson. It was the first meeting for newly elected council members Mark Stewart and Lenard Carlisle Jr., as well as for Mayor John Shoop. For the past several years, the City has been contributing to the cost of the firework display for several years, paying \$5,000 of the overall \$10,000 cost the last two fiscal years while the Rotary Club

of Sebring raised the rest through donations and sponsorships. In October 2013, the Rotary Club told the city it wasn't going to be able to continue and that other local organizations declined or showed no interest in coordinating the event. With the potential of having no firework show for the Fourth of July holiday, Push Event Productions, which organizes numerous

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## Power plant clean-up comes with steep price

City approves \$35,000 for water testing at Park St. plant

BY SAMANTHA GHOLAR  
Staff Writer

SEBRING — A hefty price tag came along with Sebring Utilities Director Bob Boggus' request for further testing at the abandoned Park Street pow-

er plant Tuesday evening during the city's regular council meeting. "It was built in the 1920s, but hasn't been in use since the '90s. As you know, the building is empty now and a while back some contamination had been found," Boggus said. The Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) has said the city "must deal with the

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Courtesy photo

Volunteers work to clean up Highway Park Cemetery Wednesday.

## Rescuing a resting place

Volunteers work to clean up cemetery

Special to the News-Sun

LAKE PLACID — Almost unreadable headstones lay broken, toppled and overgrown by

weeds, while large trees with deep roots had shifted monuments and toppling other headstones at Highway Park Cemetery in Lake Placid. But that is changing. On Wednesday, volunteers from the Interact Club — consisting of

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## Dealing with the 'ripple effect'

Ms. Florida Dawn Lightsey to help raise funds for autism center

BY PHIL ATTINGER  
Staff Writer

SEBRING — When Ms. Florida 2013 Dawn Lightsey read to autistic students on Wednesday, she spent just a few minutes entertaining them for Autism Awareness Day. What she hopes to do is increase awareness and

raise funding to help a local couple set up an education center designed for children with autism and other developmental disabilities. The couple — Gary and Melissa Duffey of Sebring — want to build a center in Highlands County devoted to caring for students with developmental disabilities. Melissa Duffey said she would like it to be as caring as the Exceptional Student Education classrooms at Memorial

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Phil Attinger/News-Sun

Ms. Florida Dawn Lightsey (right) tickles a student Wednesday at Memorial Elementary School as they gather for a group photo after she read 'Windows,' written by Gary Duffey, father of Makayla Duffey, a fellow autistic student. Exceptional Student Education teacher Lisa Schrader (left) invited Lightsey to her class to entertain them, raise awareness for autism and help promote an effort by Gary Duffey and his wife, Melissa, to build an education center devoted to special needs children.

## New school to host open house Sunday

BY BARRY FOSTER  
News-Sun correspondent

AVON PARK — It was a year ago that officials of the Avon Park Lakes Baptist Church announced that they would be opening Cornerstone Academy as Highlands County's newest private school. This Sunday afternoon at 2 p.m., they plan to hold an open house to show off their success. The crown jewel is the new two-story, 20,000-square-foot building on the North Highlands Avenue campus of the church, which now houses school activities as well

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A West Sebring volunteer firefighter sprays hot spots with a hose from a brush truck Tuesday evening at an area thick with pine and palmetto at the corner of Thunderbird Road and LeMans Drive. The two-acre area surrounded by homes was quickly contained by a fire break from a Florida Forestry Division bulldozer, but Fire Chief Scott Mann suspects the fire was set, either deliberately or by carelessness.

# Brush fire quickly contained

BY PHIL ATTINGER  
Staff Writer

SEBRING — Ray Williams didn't want to think that the column of smoke he saw just before 5 p.m. Tuesday on Thunderbird Road was his in-laws' home.

It wasn't, but the fire was in a vacant area of two acres thick with pines and palmettos right beside the house at 4236 Thunderbird Road. The vacant land was bordered by homes and the fire was burning toward LeMans Drive.

His wife called 911 while he broke out the garden hose to protect the house.

"(The fire) was calm as glass when we arrived. When we called 911, it

started spreading," Williams said. "The wind hurled it every which way."

He was glad to see West Sebring Volunteer Fire Department arrive. His wife's parents, Arnold and Alice Belcher, were founders of the department, he said.

"These guys did a good job," Williams said, "especially with a tanker to protect the house."

West Sebring Chief Scott Mann said he had 12 firefighters with four brush trucks, two engines and a tanker.

Florida Forestry Division sent a bulldozer and a brush truck while DeSoto City Volunteer Fire Department sent an engine with a load of water to help out the effort.

Emergency Medical Services and Highlands County Sheriff's deputies stood by, helping block the Thunderbird Road from through traffic.

Mann said time is marching toward the time of year when brush fires will be more common, but there has been plenty of rain recently and no lightning strikes this week.

Mann suspects the fire was set, either deliberately or by carelessness. "This thing didn't start by itself," Mann said.

Although most hot spots were doused within 90 minutes, fire crews were still being called as late at 7:45 p.m. to help soak the area and make sure it didn't reignite.

# Simple Acts United to present 'Willy Wonka Jr.'

Today and Saturday at Circle Theatre

BY BARRY FOSTER  
News-Sun correspondent

SEBRING — Audiences have seen the youthful version of "The Nutcracker" and enjoyed a grown-up version of fairytales with "The Big Bad," now Simple-Acts United will present the kids version of Charlie and the Chocolate Factory with their production of Ronald Dahl's "Willie Wonka Jr." today and Saturday.

The stage play actually was created with educators and students in mind, which made it a perfect fit for the troupe put together by the chief executive officer of Simple-Acts United, Trish Davis.

"With this production you really can go either way — with the 1971 Gene Wilder Version or with the more modern Johnny Depp interpretation," she said.

Davis said she has borrowed from both films to come up with a melding of the two styles while staying true to the story.

She said putting together a cast was a creative task since finding young-



sters that fit the parts who both could sing and act proved to be a challenge.

One of the adaptations has been that all three of the lead roles — Wonka, Charlie Bucket and Grandpa Joe — all will be played by girls.

"Cara Keller is Willie Wonka Jr., Madelyn Weaver will be Charlie Bucket and Grandpa Joe will be portrayed by Shaelyn MacCool," she said.

Even though there are nearly three dozen different roles, Davis said she was not able to acquire that many youngsters, meaning some of them have doubled up in their roles.

"There are some of the children who play grandparents in the first half and come back as squirrels in the second half," she said.

Not only the youngsters have doubled up, but stage sets and props are also have been dou-

bled up with a switch out coming at intermission.

"The Circle Theatre is a fabulous venue, but I have to tell you there is not much room backstage," she said.

To help alleviate the problem, Davis said she had rented an enclosed trailer for prop storage. Additionally, all of the backdrops will be done digitally, using the theater's state-of-the-art sound and projection facilities.

"We just don't have the room for 10-20 individual backdrops. Digitally, we can have as many as we like," she said.

The show will have performances tonight at 7 p.m. and Saturday evenings at 7 p.m. with a 2 p.m. Saturday matinee. Tickets will be \$20 for adults and \$10 for youngsters on the day of show.

The next production will be a staging of "Alice in Wonderland" in July.

## Anytime Fitness grand opening set in LP

LAKE PLACID — Anytime Fitness will host its grand opening at 138 Plaza Ave. from 9 a.m. until 6 p.m. The ribbon cutting is at 11 a.m. Attendees are eligible to enter for the grand prize of a one year free membership. Light refreshments will be served. Contact Lisa or Greg Hill at 659-1647.

## Karaoke night at Tanglewood

SEBRING — Tanglewood will host a free karaoke night from 7-10 p.m. on Saturday.

With almost 80,000 songs available, Phil Candela probably has your favorite. Check his list online at www.songbookslive.com under "Philsharmonics."

The event is BYOB. Snacks and ice will be provided. Tanglewood is on U.S. 27, one mile north of Walmart.

## Tampa Bay Downs tickets to be raffled

LAKE PLACID — Team Lykes will be raffling a Race 4 Pack to Tampa Bay Downs Saturday at the Lake Placid Relay for Life event. The Race 4 Pack includes lunch for four in the Skye Terrace Dining Room, clubhouse admission and racing programs for Tampa Bay Downs. Winner will be required to make reservations at the Skye Terrace on a date of their choice. Raffle tickets will be on sale at the Relay event from 6-9 p.m. for a donation of \$2 per ticket or \$10 for six tickets. The winner will be drawn at 9 p.m. at Team Lykes' campsite. The winner does not need to be present to collect prize. The Relay for Life be-

## SNAPSHOTS

### LOCAL NEWS

gins at 6 p.m. today at the football field.

## Highlands Park Estate plans dinner

LAKE PLACID — The annual Spring Dinner will be held Sunday at 1:30 p.m. at the Highlands Park Estates Firehouse on Columbus Street. Ham and drinks will be provided by the Homeowners Association and those attending are asked to bring a dish to pass and their own service. Reservations are preferred to help with planning and seating. Guests may attend for a charge of \$5.

Final plans for the Clubhouse will be on display and a short update on the building and plans for flood control will take place. Call Helen at 465-2468 for details.

## Caladium Co-op open late today

LAKE PLACID — The Caladium Arts and Crafts Cooperative will be open for the "1st Friday" today until 8 p.m. Artist of the Month Michelle Weidner from Micanopy will be available to explain her artistic gourds and there will be members available from 4-8 p.m. to explain the new membership program. Light refreshments will be served and you can register for the gift basket. The other non-profit groups will not be joining the 1st Friday again until the fall.

The Caladium Arts & Crafts Co-operative, 132 E. Interlake Blvd., is open Monday-Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Call 699-5940 or visit www.caladiumarts.org.

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Tuesday, April 1

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Monday, March 31

Day: 1-7-2 Night: 9-7-6

Tuesday, April 1

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Wednesday, April 2

Day: 1-9-3 Night: 3-8-5

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Monday, March 31

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# AUTISM

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Lisa Schrader's class of sensory learners at Memorial Elementary School take a moment with Ms. Florida 2013 Dawn Lightsey to celebrate Autism Awareness Day on Wednesday. Lightsey read from a book titled 'Windows,' written and illustrated by the father of 8-year-old Makayla Duffey (center front, standing), who was diagnosed with autism at a young age. Her parents, Melissa and Gary Duffey, want to establish an educational center to help both children with disabilities and their families.

rant or store and having people scowl or scold her for the child acting out.

Now she is sponsoring a Run for Autism 5K on July 19 at Highlands Hammock State Park to support the Duffeys' efforts.

"I'm just helping them raise the money to where they want to be," Lightsey said.

It's not been easy. Melissa Duffey said she worked 12- to 14-hour shifts at Florida Hospital to get a nursing degree before the demands of caring for Makayla became too great, even with the help of her husband and her two older children, Laura Castle, now 14; and Desmond Gaines, now 12.

At one point, both she and her husband lost their jobs, then lost their home, she said. Gary Duffey works out of town for months at a time as a contractor for Duke Energy, but even when he's home,

Melissa cannot work a regular job.

Gary Duffey, speaking by phone, said many people have spoken to him about finding cures, but he's more interested in helping families cope with the "ripple effect" of caring for a special needs child.

"(Children) need to be in an environment that is comforting for them," Gary Duffey said.

Melissa Duffey said anything would be a tremendous help to couples to help keep them together.

"How many marriages can we help or families can we help because they can then go and do with (help from) the center?" Melissa Duffey asked.

By Schrader's count, quite a few.

To register for the Run for Autism 5K, message Lightsey on Facebook at Ms. Florida US Continental 2013.

bles," McGinn said.

"It's probably going to take about a year and a half to get this clean up completed."

Scott Stanley cast the only dissenting vote in the 4-1 approval of the requested action from Boggus.

"I'm just not a believer in it. We've been messing around with this since 1997. We just spent thirty-something thousand last year on this. It's an endless

cycle," Stanley said.

The original bid for the project was estimated to cost the city \$189,000. Council approved Boggus' request for \$159,529 for the testing and cleaning project at Park St.

Council approved two other requests from Boggus. One was for a \$68,275 project headed by Excavation Point to finish work on Sebring Parkway manholes.

# Pool contractor charged with fraud

BY PHIL ATTINGER  
Staff Writer

LORIDA — It was taking too long for a pool to be installed at a home on Sunnyside Drive in Lorida, even though the checks had already been cashed by the contractor.

After four months, the homeowner contacted deputies, and now Jim William Terry, 53, of 1534 Assembly Point Drive in Sebring has been charged with grand theft and fraud

by swindling.

The victim had contracted Terry, owner of Jim Terry Pools, on Nov. 5, 2013, to install a pool at 1809 Sunnyside Drive. After three weeks, however, no work had been done on the pool, despite the fact that the homeowner had written Terry a check, arrest reports said.

On Nov. 27, Terry traveled to the victim's home and had the pool dug.

While there, he asked for another check of \$4,632,

which the victim wrote.

Terry reportedly promised the victim additional pool accessories for paying in advance.

Reports said that check was only supposed to have been given when steel work for the pool was finished. The work was started, but never finished, reports said.

Deputies noted that Terry had four other similar incidents of unfinished work where he was charged with grand theft.

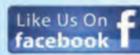


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contamination on the site," Boggus told the council.

"There's no way around it. We really don't have the option to do nothing at this point," said Imperial Testing representative Al McGinn.

McGinn placed a bid to do testing on the property in order to locate the contamination and begin clean up efforts. Testing the ground water will cost the city \$35,000.

Following the test, drilling, extraction and recirculation of the ground water through the underground water tables must take place in order to provide safe water at the site.

"It's going to take between three and four weeks to drill and get in there. We have a known method that will work to clean up the heavy oils that is at the bottom of these wells. After all the oil is extracted, we'll have to send the ground water back through the water ta-



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# Heartland Pops to take 'Musical Trip'

Show set for tonight at SFSC

BY BARRY FOSTER  
News-Sun correspondent

SEBRING — Fans of the Heartland Pops have an opportunity to take a trip around the world when they perform their last concert of the season tonight at 7:30 p.m. at the South Florida State College Performing Arts Center.

"We have music from England, Japan, Spain, Israel and of course the United States," said group spokesman Steve Newell.

Formed in 2009, the Pops has grown to more than three dozen musicians and performs concerts throughout the year.

"We offer advanced student musicians the opportunity to play with experienced musicians — some who have as much as 50 years experience," Newell said.

Friday evening's show is a series of selections including "British Colors," "Yagi Bushi," "Jungle Drums," "El Relicrio," and "Songs of Israel," among others.

There also will be a wide selection of American music including "Sinatra in Concert,"

"Armed Forces Salute" and the Pops' standard rendition of "Stars and Stripes Forever."

As part of the performance, Newell said he has obtained a real Japanese Taiko drum for the band's rendition of the folk song "Yagi Bushi."

"I got a small one — it's only about 4 feet wide — I'd wanted to get an 8-by-12 footer," he said.

The program will be narrated by Marti Wandelt, "flying" the audience from country to country and back again.

Newell said that while the Pops has become renowned for some of the tunes, the bulk of the playlist is comprised of new music. One of those will be a rendition of "Bugler's Holiday."

"Three of our guys will trade off on that number. Devere Fader, our associate conductor, along with Dave Naylor and Dick Babino all will play on it," Newell said.

The Pops usually performs at least three shows at SFSC with other, special performances, including the Music on the Mall in Avon Park, as well as for Memorial Day and Independence Day.

Tickets are \$10 each and will be available at the door.

## RESCUE

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students from Lake Placid High School and Lake Placid Middle School — under the guidance of Deputy Michael Brod joined the Keep Highway Park Beautiful Commission, the Highway Park Neighborhood Council and local volunteers to clear brush and overgrowth from the historic cemetery.

"Each of those stones has an interesting story to it and it is important to maintain that piece of our town's history. We must not let it be buried, literally, again," said Evelyn Colon, executive director of the Highway Park Neighborhood Council in appeals to the community to help restore the cemetery.

More than 15 volunteers, most from within the Highway Park Community, came to help with the clean up. Debris, shrubbery and trash filled 29 oversized garbage bags. The 20-foot flagpole holding the U.S. flag, which had been damaged in a storm, was removed to be replaced in the very near future. Loose stones were picked up, grass was mowed, weeds trimmed away from the graves and trees were trimmed.

Unincorporated towns with no budgets have often had little to no money to improve their cemeteries, leading to disrepair, crumbling gravestones, overgrown grass, persistent weeds and no irrigation to sustain flowers or grass.

This clean-up is one of

**'Each of these stones has an interesting story to it and it is important to maintain that piece of our town's history.'**

*Evelyn Colon  
Highway Park  
Neighborhood Council*

many planned activities to restore the Highway Park Cemetery, organizers said. "It is hoped that with this and subsequent efforts, the cemetery will be better preserved to include historic signage and fencing. The Highway Park Neighborhood Council, Keep Highway Park Beautiful, and the Highway Park Ministerial Alliance are working together to restore dignity and add beautification to our cemetery," a press release on the event said.

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## HIGHLANDS COUNTY CHORAL FESTIVAL



Katara Simmons/News-Sun

Two Sebring High School choirs directed by Luanne Hawk take the stage Thursday morning during the 2014 Highlands County Choral Festival at South Florida State College auditorium in Avon Park. Nearly every school in the county was represented during the annual event. It was a full house with about 1,400 elementary, middle and high school students performing.

## SCHOOL

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as a number of church functions.

"There won't be any formal presentations as such on Sunday," said Cornerstone Headmaster Jenny Cornell. "We will have our classrooms open with some of our students and staff to show people around."

Cornell is a longtime elementary educator and former Avon Park Middle School assistant principal. She was appointed to the post last year even before the school was a reality.

In addition to classrooms, visitors will have an opportunity to see the school's music room and computer lab. The tour will end upstairs in the sprawling fellowship hall,

## Nursing home bill passes Senate

TALLAHASSEE (AP) — Investors and those not directly tied to the operation of nursing homes would be protected from lawsuits by a measure passed by the Florida Senate.

The bill (SB 670) passed the Senate Thursday with a 36-3 vote.

Proponents say the move will free up more money for new homes and investment in current facilities.

**'We will have our classrooms open with some of our students and staff to show people around.'**

*Jenny Cornell  
Cornerstone Academy headmaster*

where light refreshments will be served.

"We'll have a video up there that will show the different activities our students have done throughout the year," Cornell said.

Currently, the school houses students from kindergarten through fifth grade. The curriculum includes standard courses in reading, writing mathematics, science, social studies and physical education.

"We also have Bible studies," Cornell added.

Arts also are included as an integral component for students, with administrators saying it is part of educating "the whole student."

Moreover, each morning at Cornerstone, the day begins with prayers, pledges and songs.

Mission projects also are included in the curriculum throughout the school year with students

participating in outreach programs both locally and globally.

"We have collected shoes for orphans in Honduras and now are making salvation bracelets for one of our church members who will be going to South America later this spring," Cornell said.

Students accepted to the academy must demonstrate that they are at or above their current grade level with an exemplary conduct history.

Those unable to attend the open house may visit the group's web site at [www.ccaap.org](http://www.ccaap.org) or call the school at 453-0894.



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## ANOTHER VIEW

## Vital goals lie ahead for Obamacare

On Monday, the Affordable Care Act passed its enrollment deadline. Sign-up numbers eclipsed the Obama administration's ratcheted down goal of 6 million and came close, media groups say, to meeting the original 7 million target. It's time to focus on the more important questions:

Will ACA significantly reduce the numbers who are uninsured and make health care affordable and accessible to all Americans? Will it lead to — or provide the foundation for — lower medical costs for individuals, families and businesses? Most importantly, will it lead to improved overall health outcomes and better health services?

Those questions likely won't be answered for at least two or three years. But ACA can't be judged a success or failure without them.

For a lot of people, though, the verdict is already in. Polls show from 46 percent to 57 percent opposing the law, depending on the survey.

The disastrous launch last fall of health-care.gov didn't help. Technology glitches kept millions sidelined from enrolling for health-care coverage on the federal website. Glitches continued on Monday, putting the website out of commission again. Administration officials said anyone who started the process or tried to get on the website and couldn't by Monday's deadline will be granted extra time to enroll.

Obamacare critics, though, should pay attention to what else the polls are saying. Survey respondents say they don't want to repeal it. Nearly 60 percent in a recent Kaiser Family Foundation poll said Congress should work to improve the measure or keep it the way it currently stands.

The polls also show public approval of specific parts of the law. A recent Bloomberg poll showed nearly 75 percent approve of allowing children to stay on their parents' insurance up to age 26. More than 66 percent approve of prohibiting insurers from denying health-care coverage based on pre-existing conditions.

The enrollment numbers underscore that many Americans are eager for access to affordable health care coverage.

Much work lies ahead to fulfill ACA's goal of making affordable, quality health services accessible to all Americans — improvements that will lead to better health outcomes. With the enrollment hoopla over, it's time for policymakers to focus squarely on that goal.

An editorial from the Charlotte (N.C.) Observer.



# Still investing in newspapers

We purchased the Sebring *News-Sun* newspaper Tuesday. I'd like to take this opportunity to address all of our employees, news correspondents and delivery partners on why we made this acquisition. Readers and advertisers are welcome to follow along.

We believe in a bright future for community news and advertising. That does not mean the future will be easy — just that if we work hard and compete intelligently, the future will be ours to create. With all the innovation of the past 100 years, the local newspaper is still the primary source for local news and local advertising.

We create a unique news product every day. Each new day, that requires significant news gathering, analysis and writing. The Internet and mobile news sites are ways to extend our reach — not a replacement for the labor intensive news gathering required to properly serve a local community. The privilege of fulfilling a community's need for local news will be ours



PRESIDENT'S INBOX  
David Dunn-Rankin

as long as we stay true to the mission of helping our communities become a better place to live.

Likewise, we are still the number one local advertising partner because no national company has been able to replicate what a local newspaper does to create local sales for local companies. Yes, the Internet has replaced yellow pages for search. But local merchants are more swamped than ever with places to put their money — search engine advertising, search engine optimization, websites, Facebook, Twitter and email.

This is in addition to the

traditional players crossing their doorway like cable, TV, radio, magazines, and specialty promotion products. With even more marketing choices, it is now even more difficult for the local business to know where to put their money to get advertising results.

As long as we focus on creating compelling advertising that works for our advertisers, instead of just taking their money for ad space, we will have a successful growing business as we do now.

With so many other needs inside our company, why buy Sebring now? We purchased Sebring now for three reasons: 1) Sebring is already a part of the community that we serve with our existing papers in Sarasota, Charlotte, DeSoto, Highlands and Polk counties; 2) it was available now; 3) the purchase will increase our financial strength as a company making it easier to meet our other needs.

The Sebring *News-Sun* more fully adds to a geographic community we

serve in our newspaper footprint between the newspapers we own in Lake Placid and Arcadia to the south and west and Bartow, Lake Wales, Frostproof and Fort Meade to the north. There should be opportunities for advertising and news sharing we don't have today.

The acquisition utilizes our existing building, presses and distribution equipment. That, along with the advertising and news sharing opportunities that come with the Sebring *News-Sun* acquisition should strengthen our resources as a company — benefiting not only our employees but also the communities we serve. It is our goal to be a stronger, safer business as a result of this new addition to our newspaper family.

Every community deserves a top-notch community newspaper — and that's the business we're in.

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## Can Rand Paul really get the 2016 GOP nomination?



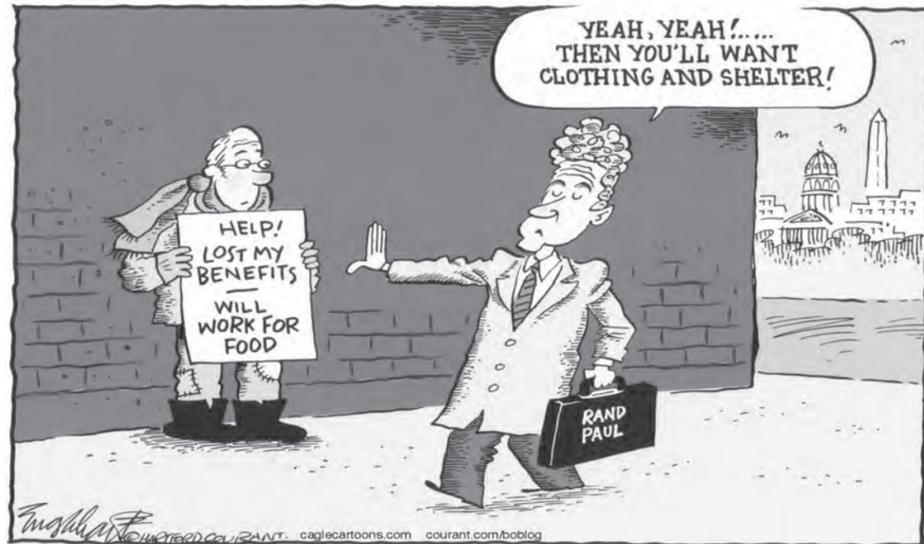
GUEST COLUMN  
Joe Gandelman

He's the GOP's emerging conservative "rock star" who sets the base on fire. But can he go the distance? Is it realistic to think that Kentucky Sen. Rand Paul can really get the 2016 Republican Presidential nomination and usher in a new GOP era in more ways than one? Or does he have too much political hubris — some of it from his father?

If you believe a series of polls of Republicans and activists, he is indeed serious. At last month's Conservative Political Action Conference he won its straw poll for the second time and electrified the membership. In Republican poll after poll he's on top. The latest WPA Opinion Research poll has Paul and former Arkansas Gov. Mike Huckabee at 13 percent, with former Florida Gov. Jeb Bush at 11 percent.

Because of his positions on foreign issues, Paul's chances are often pooh-poohed, but the GOP seems poised for a takeover and not-liberal makeover.

The Daily Beast's Patricia Murphy called Paul "the de facto head of the libertarian wing of the party, still pushing the GOP to broaden its message and its membership." Paul is urging the Republican Party to woo groups no already in its coalition, arguing



there should be "a struggle to make the party better," rather than the usual mantra that the party must be more conservative and needs ideological bouncers.

The question: can Paul win over voters who don't know the difference between a libertarian and a librarian? Can he take his father's libertarianism — a kind of boutique libertarianism that appealed to niche voters — and make it more accessible?

For months Paul seemed engaged in a growing war of zingers with his perceived presidential nomination rival, the more moderate New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie. But then came Christie's "Bridge Over Troubled Political Waters." Comeback, shmomeback. Christie is now badly damaged political goods, which is why some influential Republicans are scrambling to draft Jeb Bush to run.

Paul has shown an ability to play the insider's political game more skillfully than his dad. He seemed embarrassed and apologetic supporting the re-election bid of the quintessential Republican establishment in-

sider, Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell. But it's something he had to do. Being a pragmatist and an idealist could serve him well.

He also distinguished himself from the party's most extreme, nay saying elements by getting into a feud and public rivalry with Texas Sen. Ted Cruz. One scenario for Paul winning the nomination is for him to get momentum in early primaries, woo disaffected and millennial voters and hope his political competition blows it. Some charge that's a flawed analysis. But others, such as MSNBC's Chris Matthews, predict Paul has a good shot at it.

If so, he'll have to walk some political tightropes. He'd have to win over distrustful social conservatives and neocons, and if he calibrates positions too much he could negate his libertarian appeal. Nationally, he must do some image repair. On his Facebook page, satirist Andy Borowitz — who often captures the general national culture's thinking — wrote: "POLL: Given choice between Paul and Cruz, most voters choose suicide."

Paul's Achilles heel is foreign policy. Neocons and many other Republicans consider his foreign policy naive, impractical and isolationist. And the long knives are out.

Another storm cloud: billionaire GOP fat cat Sheldon Adelson. Adelson is prepared to donate millions to bolster a potential nominee who (1) can win the election, and (2) strongly supports Israel. Rand Paul is not the most Israel-friendly candidate, and many Jews considered his father Ron Paul an outright disaster and an anti-Semite.

There are many factors about Paul that conventional wisdom says will sink him. But has the political and cultural context shifted for the conventional wisdom? Has what normally played well in prime time America changed enough to make Rand Paul the wave of the GOP's future?

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# Woman who killed three loses license

BRADENTON (AP) — Two months after running over and killing three people in a parking lot following a church service, a 79-year-old Florida woman had her license suspended for a year and was fined \$1,000. Doreene Landstra pleaded no contest in court Wednesday to improper backing, which is a noncriminal traffic infraction. The maximum penalty is usually a six-month license suspension, but a judge can impose up to a year when fatalities and other serious circumstances are involved. The Florida Highway Patrol said Doreene Landstra accidentally backed her SUV into a group of people leaving a church service in the Sugar Creek Country Club.

# Teens jailed for attack on 83-year-old

PINELLAS PARK (AP) — Two teenagers have been arrested in connection with an attack on an 83-year-old man and the theft of his car. Police say a 13-year-old boy turned himself in to Pinellas County Sheriff's deputies late Wednesday. He's charged with grand theft of a motor vehicle and is being held in the Pinellas County juvenile assessment center. According to police, a 16-year-old boy was arrested Wednesday and they're looking for a 15-year-old girl.

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events in downtown Sebring including the monthly wine walks, the Roaring 20's Festival and the Red White and Blues Festival planned for the Fourth of July. But Push told the city on March 19 that without fireworks, that event would be called off.

"Since our agreement was to coordinate and manage the festival (and not the fireworks) and since the Red, White and Blues Festival will only be successful with confirmed fireworks show, we will regretfully decline this festival opportunity..." a letter from Lora Todd and Casey Wohl of Push Events Promotion said.

Council members discussed the options to make the fireworks show happen with City Administrator Scott Noethlich Tuesday.

# COLLECTING FOR DIAPER DUMP DAY



Courtesy photo

Aktion Club members Gerald Bass and Angie Luft wave Saturday, March 29, at traffic and collect donations along U.S. 27 in front of Florida Hospital Heartland Medical Center in Sebring with One Hope United Family Support Worker Rebecca Brownell. One Hope is just one of the nine charities who will benefit from the Diaper Dump Day collections sponsored by the Aktion Club of Highlands County. Saturday's event brought in 3,212 diapers and \$994. This total will be added with the club's previous collection from last week and it will be presented to the charities once the cash is turned into diapers. In addition to One Hope, the diapers will help babies at Avon Park Community Child Development Center, Children's Advocacy Center, Family Safehouse, Guardian ad Litem, Healthy Families, Healthy Start and the Early Steps Program. The club also received 1,257 adult diapers, which will benefit needy people served by Nu-Hope Elder Care Services and Ridge Area Arc.

# Fort Hood gunman sought mental health treatment

FORT HOOD, Texas (AP) — An Iraq War veteran being treated for mental illness was the gunman who opened fire at Fort Hood, killing three people and wounding 16 others before committing suicide, in an attack on the same Texas military base where more than a dozen people were slain in 2009, authorities said.

Within hours of the Wednesday attack, investigators started looking into whether the man's combat experience had caused lingering psychological trauma. Fort Hood's senior officer, Lt. Gen. Mark Milley, said the gunman had sought help for depression, anxiety and other problems.

Among the possibilities investigators planned

to explore was whether a fight or argument on the base triggered the attack.

"We have to find all those witnesses, the witnesses to every one of those shootings, and find out what his actions were, and what was said to the victims," said a federal law enforcement official who spoke on condition of anonymity.

The official said authorities would begin by speaking with the man's wife, and expected to search his home and any computers he owned.

The shooter was identified as Ivan Lopez by Texas Rep. Michael McCaul, chairman of the House Homeland Security Committee. But the congressman offered no other details, and the military

declined to identify the gunman until his family members had been notified.

Lopez apparently walked into a building Wednesday afternoon and began firing a .45-caliber semi-automatic pistol. He then got into a vehicle and continued firing before entering another building, but he was eventually confronted by military police in a parking lot, according to Milley, senior officer on the base.

As he came within 20 feet of an officer, the gunman put his hands up but then reached under his jacket and pulled out his gun. The officer drew her own weapon, and the suspect put his gun to his head and pulled the trigger a final time.

them this year," Noethlich said. "He's already placed his orders for the other cities."

Bud Whitlock made a motion to fund up to \$10,000 for this year's fireworks contingent upon the CRA contributing \$5,000. The CRA has provided \$2,500 towards the cost of the show for the past three years and contributed \$5,000 for the 2011 firework show.

Mayor John Shoop stated a commitment from last year's local major sponsor has been made to contribute \$2,500 to the cost of the show.

Wohl said the Red, White and Blues Festival will be held July 4-5.

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# OBITUARIES

## MARVIN SPIRES



Marvin E. Spires, 81, went to be with the Lord on Monday, April 1, 2014. He was born in Center Hill, son of the late, William Henry and Lizzie (Selph) Spires.

He was a lifelong resident of Sebring and was a former city police officer, firefighter and retired owner of Spires Roofing. He was a member of Sebring Firemen, Inc.

Marvin was preceded in death by his grandson, Coy Benson, and great grandson, Tristan Roberts. A loving and

devoted husband and father, he married Imogene Lightsey on Sept. 1, 1951 and are proud parents of daughters Marva (Mike) Willingham, Cheryl (Russ) Sharp, Beverly (Ted) Glarner, Nancy (Ron) Owens; a son, Eugene (Sarah) Spires; 11 grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren.

Visitation is from 10-11 a.m. Friday, April 4, with Service to follow at 11 a.m. at Morris Funeral Chapel with Dr. Eugene Bengston officiating. Burial with military honors by V.W.W. Post #4300 at Pinecrest Cemetery. Those desiring may make donations to any charity. www.morrisfuneralchapel.com.

# Senate passes ballot measure on court appointments

BRENDAN FARRINGTON  
Associated Press

TALLAHASSEE — This year's gubernatorial race could have even greater implications if a proposed constitutional amendment on Florida Supreme Court appointments is approved.

The Senate voted 26-14 on Thursday to place a question on the fall ballot that could mean an outgoing governor would make appointments to the Supreme Court for vacancies that are created the same day a new governor is sworn in.

The issue is particularly important now because three of the seven high court justices will have to retire the same day in 2019 when the governor is sworn in because they will have reached the mandatory retirement age of 70 during their current six-year terms. That means if Gov. Rick Scott is re-elected, he will be able to replace the justices as he leaves office.

And the justices he would replace — Barbara Pariente, Fred Lewis and Peggy Quince — are part of an ongoing majority that has ruled against Scott and the GOP-controlled Legislature in a line of high-profile cases, including a recent decision to let a medical marijuana amendment go on this year's ballot.

Likewise, if a Democrat is elected in November, he or she would be able to appoint the three justices even if he or she loses a 2018 re-election bid or simply decides not to

seek a second term.

Sen. Tom Lee said he sponsored the bill to avoid a potential constitutional crisis if the appointments become an issue, and he noted the constitution doesn't make it clear how appointments should be handled when Supreme Court vacancies occur when there's a change in the governor's office.

Democrats agreed that the way appointments are handled in cases like this needs to be addressed, but they opposed the bill (SB 1188) because they believe if people elect a governor in November, that governor should be the one to appoint the Supreme Court justices for vacancies that begin on inauguration day two months later.

"It's not a partisan issue. We don't know who will be the next governor," said Sen. Jeremy Ring, D-Margate. "I just believe that the incoming governor should have those appointments."

Senate Democratic Leader Chris Smith said it's customary for governors-elect to form a transition office and make decisions that lay the ground for their first day in office, and the Supreme Court appointments should be part of that.



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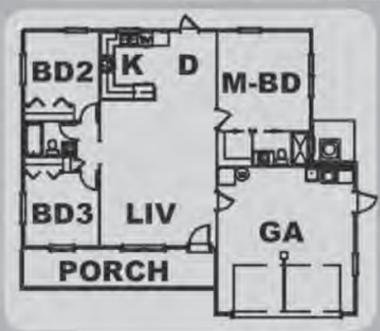
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# SPORTS

## Lady Dragons get tie on the track

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The Lady Dragons showed their strength at Tuesday's track and field meet in Lake Placid, tying for first with LaBelle at 70 points apiece.

Hardee took third on the girls side with 66 points and Avon Park fourth with 51 in this evenly matched meet.

Things were a little more spread out on the boys side as the Wildcats won with 115.5 points, Avon Park was second with 62, the Green Dragons third with 42.5 and the Cowboys fourth with 39.

Starting with the field events, the Red Devils started strong in the shot

put as Imani Tate took second on the girls side and Bryan Johnson won with a toss of 38-feet.

Tate also took second in the discus with a throw of 86-feet, 10-inches.

Christian Suarez was third on the boys side of the event with a distance of 96-feet, 4-inches.

The Dragons got things going in the girls long jump, getting a win from Quiahja Williams (16-feet, 11-inches) and a third from Devany Moore, while Lady Devil Torianna Jones was second.

Moise Satine got another Avon Park win on the boys side, leaping to a distance of 16-feet, 8.5-inches.



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Sonia Becerra earned a pair of points for the Lady Dragons by taking fourth in the pole vault Tuesday.

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## It's Bluegill Season!

In South-central Florida, the first week of April generally marks the beginning of "gill" season.

Not that you can't catch this feisty panfish throughout the year, but with the warming water and the seasonal change, bluegills typically begin spawning in late March and early April.

For many anglers, bass fishing can be fun, but challenging; crappie fishing offers a better chance for success, as well as a great meal, but bluegill fishermen are a completely different breed.

Fishing light lines, light and ultra-lite rods and even flyrods offers up some of the "funnest" fishing Florida has to offer.

According to the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, Florida has more than 7,700 named lakes and ponds and over 10,000 miles of streams and rivers, all brimming with "bream."

"Bream" is the local term throughout the southeast that includes a variety of deep-bodied panfish belonging to the sunfish family.

The most common of these are bluegill, redear sunfish (shellcrackers), redbreast sunfish, spotted sunfish (stumpknockers) and warrmouth.

Although black bass are technically in the sunfish family, they are not considered to be bream.

Almost any body of water in the Sunshine State, regardless of size or locale, contains the popular bluegill and, probably to a lesser extent, redear sunfish.

Sunfish concentrate to



FISHIN' AROUND

Don Norton

spawn in water depths that range anywhere from three to ten feet, but are usually found at the shallower end of this range.

Bluegills seem to opt for slightly shallower areas, but it's not unusual to see shellcracker and bluegills intermingle, using the same bedding areas at the same time.

Shellcrackers typically begin spawning about a month before bluegill.

In South Florida, shellcrackers may spawn as early as the last week of February but more likely around the fourth week of March.

In central Florida, they could first go into spawning beds during late March.

If the water temperature remains low in March, shellcrackers will concentrate on spawning between the second and the fourth weeks of April.

Lake Istokpoga is outstanding for bluegill.

Panfish anglers can concentrate their efforts from April through June around the inshore and offshore cattail and bulrush areas.

In other months, likely spots for bluegill and shellcrackers include the Big Island, Grassy Island, Bumblebee Island, around various sandy bars, and along edges of

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## Red Devils ride fireworks to win

Kyle Kelley grand slam in sixth highlights high-scoring affair

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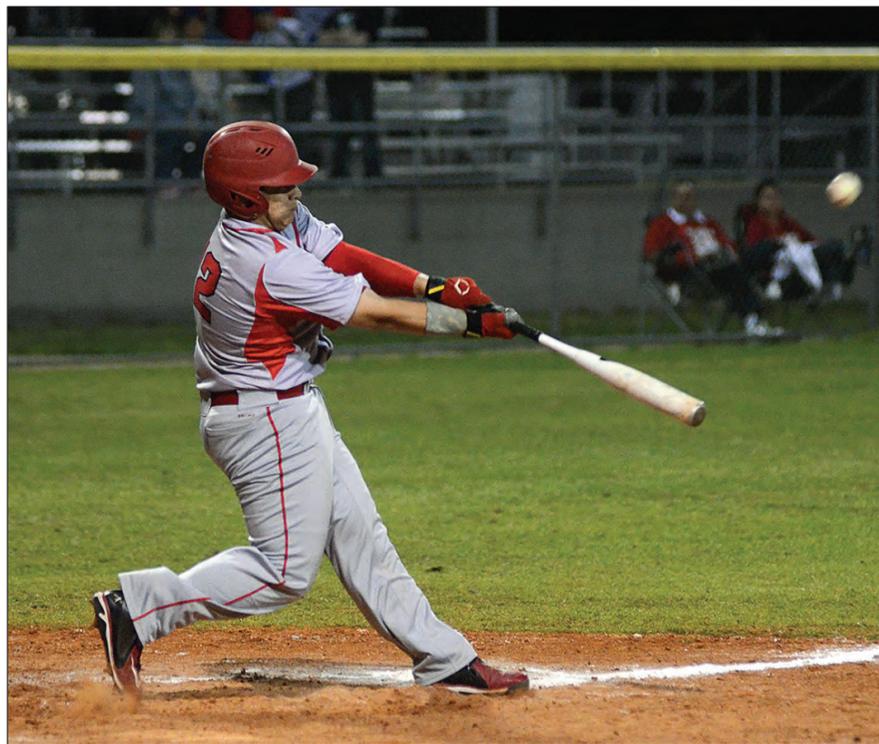
It was three months and three days early, but the Avon Park nine did their best Fourth of July tribute Tuesday night, sparking fireworks in an 18-10 win at Frostproof.

And they exploded right out of the gate, scoring five runs in each of the first two innings.

Ma-son Jahna singled home two in the first, Alex Gomez knocked a run in and Trey Frazier belted an RBI double.

The Devils then sent 13 batters to the plate in the second, with Alfred Brown singling twice and Luis Martinez reaching base both times he came up in the frame.

But the big blow came off Gomez's bat when he launched a two-run homer to left-center to help push Avon Park's lead to a stunning 10-0



Dan Hoehne/News-Sun files

Alex Gomez smashed a second-inning home run in Avon Park's 18-10 win at Frostproof Tuesday.

after two.

The real stunner, however, came in the bottom of the second, when the Bulldogs plated seven and got right back into the game.

Though their surge wasn't so much fireworks

as Red Devil misfires as the seven runs came courtesy of five walks, one hit batter, two errors and two singles.

But however the runs were scored, this was now a barn-burner.

Frazier, on in relief dur-

ing the second, held the Bulldogs down in the third, while the Avon Park offense added two in the fourth and one in the fifth.

Kyle Kelley doubled to

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## Lady Streaks runner-up in districts, heading on to regionals

BY DAN HOEHNE  
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The Lady Blue Streaks of the tennis courts came in second in the two-day, District 2-2A Tournament Monday and Tuesday.

After the first day of battles, Sebring had three girls move into Tuesday's singles finals.

At No. 3 singles, Alaina Keith bounced back from a 6-1, opening set loss to push Lemon Bay's Sarah Low, before falling 7-5.

In the No. 4 singles match, Sarah Beth Rogers gave Madison Casad a wake-up call by taking the first set 6-2.

The pair fought hard in the second set, with Casad outlasting Rogers 7-6.

The third set was another grueling grapple back and forth before Casad took it 6-4 for the match win.



Courtesy photo

The district runner-up Lady Streaks, left to right, Destiny Lewis, Sarah Beth Rogers, Ashley Castelli, Micaela DeVane, coach Janie Hollinger, Alaina Keith, Nisha Patel and Amanda Rios.

Ashley Castelli then fell in No. 5 singles to Lemon Bay's Ashley Tormey 6-2, 6-3.

The No. 2 doubles team of Keith

and Castelli also reached the finals, but to the Lemon Bay Bay duo of

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## A guide to the Final Four

Final Four Guide: Bo and Billy, Gators and Cats, Shabazz and Scottie

JOHN MARSHALL  
AP Basketball Writer

Texas.

We've got a rundown of what to look for:

### THE TEAMS

Florida. The top overall seed in the NCAA tournament has played like it by extending its winning streak to 30 games.

Kentucky. John Calipari's latest group of one-and-dones needed a little time to get going.

Once the roll started, no one has been able to stop it.

Wisconsin. The Badgers are feisty, fundamentally sound and one of those teams opponents hate to play.

UConn. The Huskies won the 2011 behind Kemba Walker.

The invitation to this year's Final Four seemed to have specific rules: No upstarts or Cinderellas.

Big boys only.

Yes, we're well aware that Kentucky was a No. 8 seed and UConn was a 7.

But c'mon.

These are two power programs with storied histories, each with a championship under their belt within the past four seasons.

Following a string of NCAA tournaments with mid-major party crashers, the Final Four is going back to the big time with Florida and Wisconsin joining the Wildcats and Huskies in North

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**COMING UP**

**High School Baseball**  
 Today – Avon Park vs. McKeel, 7 p.m.; Lake Placid vs. Frostproof, 7 p.m.; Sebring vs. Oviedo, 7 p.m.

**College Baseball**  
 Today – SFSC vs. Southeastern, 6 p.m.  
 Saturday – SFSC vs. U. of Tampa B team,

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 ■ LPGA – Kraft Nabisco Championship Noon GOLF  
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 ■ Dick’s Sporting Goods National Tournament2:30 p.m.ESPN2  
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**MLB**  
 ■ Philadelphia at Chicago Cubs 2 p.m. WGN  
 ■ Texas at Tampa Bay 7 p.m. SUN

**NBA**  
 ■ Denver at Memphis 7 p.m. ESPN  
 ■ Oklahoma City at Houston 9:30 p.m. ESPN

**TENNIS**  
 ■ WTA – Family Circle Cup 1 p.m. ESPN2  
 ■ Tampa Bay at Colorado 8 p.m. SUN

**SATURDAY**  
**AUTO RACING**  
 ■ Gulf Air Bahrain Grand Prix, Qualifying 11 a.m. CNBC

**COLLEGE BASKETBALL**  
 ■ Reese’s All-Star Game Noon CBS  
 ■ NCAA Tournament 6 p.m. TNT  
 ■ NCAA Tournament 8:30 p.m. TNT

**GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL**  
 ■ Dick’s Sporting Goods National Tournament10 a.m. ESPN2  
 ■ Dick’s Sporting Goods National TournamentNoon ESPN2

**GOLF**  
 ■ PGA – Shell Houston Open 1 p.m. GOLF  
 ■ PGA – Shell Houston Open 3 p.m. NBC  
 ■ LPGA – Kraft Nabisco Championship 5 p.m. GOLF

**MLB**  
 ■ Chicago White Sox at Kansas City 2 p.m. WGN  
 ■ Texas at Tampa Bay 7 p.m. SUN

**NBA**  
 ■ Chicago at Washington 7 p.m. WGN

**TENNIS**  
 ■ WTA – Family Circle Cup 1 p.m. ESPN2

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x-Toronto	43	32	.573	—
x-Brooklyn	40	34	.541	2½
New York	33	43	.434	10½
Boston	23	52	.307	20
Philadelphia	16	59	.213	27
Southeast				
W	L	Pct	GB	
y-Miami	52	22	.703	—
x-Washington	39	36	.520	13½
Charlotte	37	38	.493	15½
Atlanta	32	42	.432	20
Orlando	21	54	.280	31½
Central				
W	L	Pct	GB	
y-Indiana	53	23	.697	—
x-Chicago	43	32	.573	9½
Cleveland	31	45	.408	22
Detroit	27	48	.360	25½
Milwaukee	14	61	.187	38½
WESTERN CONFERENCE				
Southwest	W	L	Pct	GB
y-San Antonio	59	16	.787	—
Houston	49	25	.662	9½
Dallas	44	31	.587	15
Memphis	44	31	.587	15
New Orleans	32	43	.427	27
Northwest				
W	L	Pct	GB	
x-Oklahoma City	54	19	.740	—
Portland	49	27	.645	6½
Minnesota	37	37	.500	17½
Denver	33	42	.440	22
Utah	23	52	.307	32
Pacific				
W	L	Pct	GB	
y-L.A. Clippers	54	22	.711	—
Golden State	46	29	.613	7½
Phoenix	44	31	.587	9½
Sacramento	27	48	.360	26½
L.A. Lakers	25	50	.333	28½

National Hockey League									
EASTERN CONFERENCE									
Atlantic	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA		
y-Boston	76	52	18	6	110	243	161		
x-Tampa Bay	76	42	25	9	93	226	202		
x-Montreal	77	43	27	7	93	200	192		
Detroit	76	36	26	14	86	205	215		
Toronto	77	37	32	8	82	223	241		
Ottawa	76	32	30	14	78	219	252		
Florida	77	27	42	8	62	184	254		
Buffalo	75	21	45	9	51	145	224		
Metropolitan									
GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA			
x-Pittsburgh	76	48	23	5	101	233	189		
N.Y. Rangers	77	43	30	4	90	208	184		
Philadelphia	75	39	27	9	87	213	211		
Columbus	75	38	30	7	83	210	203		
Washington	76	34	29	13	81	217	231		
New Jersey	76	32	28	16	80	186	198		
Carolina	76	33	32	11	77	191	211		
N.Y. Islanders	76	31	35	10	72	212	250		

WESTERN CONFERENCE									
Central	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA		
x-St. Louis	75	51	17	7	109	241	168		
x-Colorado	75	48	21	6	102	230	204		
x-Chicago	76	42	19	15	99	248	200		
Minnesota	76	39	26	11	89	189	191		
Dallas	75	37	27	11	85	219	212		
Winnipeg	77	34	33	10	78	214	226		
Nashville	76	33	32	11	77	190	229		
Pacific									
GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA			
x-Anaheim	76	50	18	8	108	247	193		
x-San Jose	77	48	20	9	105	237	188		
Los Angeles	77	45	26	6	96	195	162		
Phoenix	77	36	28	13	85	207	218		
Vancouver	77	34	32	11	79	185	209		
Calgary	76	31	38	7	69	194	226		
Edmonton	77	26	42	9	61	190	257		

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

Wednesday’s Games				
Cleveland 119, Orlando 98	Indiana 101, Detroit 94	Washington 118, Boston 92	Charlotte 123, Philadelphia 93	New York 110, Brooklyn 81
Toronto 107, Houston 103	Miami 96, Milwaukee 77	Chicago 105, Atlanta 92	Minnesota 102, Memphis 88	San Antonio 111, Golden State 90
Denver 137, New Orleans 107	L.A. Clippers 112, Phoenix 108	Sacramento 107, L.A. Lakers 102	<b>Thursday’s Games</b>	
San Antonio at Oklahoma City, late				
Dallas at L.A. Clippers, late				
Friday’s Games				
Denver at Memphis, 7 p.m.	Indiana at Toronto, 7 p.m.	Orlando at Charlotte, 7 p.m.	Detroit at Brooklyn, 7:30 p.m.	Philadelphia at Boston, 7:30 p.m.
Minnesota at Miami, 7:30 p.m.	Cleveland at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.	Washington at New York, 7:30 p.m.	Milwaukee at Chicago, 8 p.m.	New Orleans at Utah, 9 p.m.
Oklahoma City at Houston, 9:30 p.m.	Phoenix at Portland, 10 p.m.	Sacramento at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.	Dallas at L.A. Lakers, 10:30 p.m.	

League Leaders				
Scoring				
G	FG	FT	PTS	AVG
Durant, OKC	72	756	629	23.17
Anthony, NYK	73	719	440	20.42
James, MIA	71	698	389	18.88
Love, MIN	71	600	470	18.44
Harden, HOU	66	499	497	16.55
Griffin, LAC	75	673	444	18.01
Curry, GOL	72	589	284	16.96
Aldridge, POR	64	605	281	14.94
DeRozan, TOR	73	567	472	16.66
Insane, SAC	65	522	402	14.46
George, IND	76	551	377	16.51
Nowitzki, DAL	73	570	318	15.74
Jefferson, CHA	66	625	170	14.23
Davis, NOR	65	513	343	13.71
Irving, CLE	65	494	266	13.71

Wednesday’s Games				
N.Y. Islanders 2, Ottawa 1	Detroit 3, Boston 2	Anaheim 3, Edmonton 2	Los Angeles 4, Phoenix 0	Columbus at Philadelphia, late
Dallas at Carolina, late	Boston at Toronto, late	Calgary at Tampa Bay, late	Minnesota at Chicago, late	Buffalo at St. Louis, late
Pittsburgh at Winnipeg, late	N.Y. Rangers at Colorado, late	Los Angeles at San Jose, late	Montreal at Ottawa, 7 p.m.	Chicago at Columbus, 7 p.m.
Washington at New Jersey, 7 p.m.	Buffalo at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.	Calgary at Florida, 7:30 p.m.	Edmonton at Phoenix, 10 p.m.	Nashville at Anaheim, 10 p.m.

Wednesday’s Games				
Detroit 2, Kansas City 1, 10 innings	Chicago White Sox 7, Minnesota 6, 11 innings	Oakland 6, Cleveland 1, 1st game	Boston 6, Baltimore 2	Toronto 3, Tampa Bay 0

**Sebring Chamber Golf Classic**

SEBRING – The Greater Sebring Chamber of Commerce will hold their Spring Golf Classic tournament on Saturday, April 5, at Sun ‘N Lake Golf Club. The event is a four person scramble with handicapped flights. There will be cash prizes: \$2,000 for hole-in-one, \$250 for longest drive and \$250 for closest to the pin. Entry fee is \$60 per player, or \$225 for a four-person team, and includes greens fee, cart, drinks on the course and lunch. Corporate sponsorship includes a four-person team and hole sign for \$300. Registration is at 7:30 a.m., and a shotgun start at 8:30 a.m. All proceeds benefit the Sebring Chamber of Commerce. For questions or a registration form, call (863) 385-8448 or email [information@sebring.org](mailto:information@sebring.org).

**SHS Golf Tournament**  
 SEBRING – Sebring High School will be holding its Project Graduation 2014 Golf Tournament on Saturday, April 5, at Golf Hammock Country Club. Format is a four-person scramble, flighted by handicap, with registration starting at 7 a.m. and a shotgun start at 8 a.m. Entry fees are \$65 per player, \$240 per foursome and includes greens fee, cart and lunch. Mulligans will be available for purchase at \$3 each or \$5 for two, and hole sponsors are available for \$100. There will be a 50/50 raffle and raffle prizes available as well. Make checks payable and remit to SHS Project Graduation, 2157 US 27 S, Sebring, FL 33870. For more information, call Tim Baker at 385-5100.

**Sebring Elks Golf**  
 SEBRING – The Sebring Elks Lodge No. 1529 monthly golf outing will be held at Golf Hammock Golf and Country Club on Monday, April 7, beginning at 8 a.m. Cost is \$32, which includes golf, cart, lunch and prize fund. To sign up contact Jack McLaughlin at [jacknjudy33872@gmail.com](mailto:jacknjudy33872@gmail.com) or leave a message on 863 471-3295. Check in no later than 7:40 a.m. by the Pro Shop

**H.O.P.E. Basketball Tournament**  
 SEBRING – The 4th Annual Mary Toney H.O.P.E. Foundation 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament will tip off Saturday, April

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**SPORTS**

19, in the Sebring High School Gym. From 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m. teams will compete amid concessions and music, with a cost of just \$5 per player. Monetary prizes will be awarded to first-place teams, with second-place finishers receiving gift card awards. The tournament will have male and female brackets consisting of three players per team. For boys and girls, age groups are 7-9 years old, 10-12, 13-15 and 16-19. The 7-9 and 10-12 year-old teams begin play at 8:30 a.m., with the 13-15s and 16-19s starting at 11 a.m. Teams need to report to the gym 30 minutes prior to the first game of their division. Registration deadline is Thursday, April 17. For more information, call LaVaar Scott at (863) 214-3880, Nick Brooks at (850) 322-8398 or Princeton Harris at (863) 381-8898

**Nu-Hope Golf tournament**  
 AVON PARK – NU-HOPE Elder Care Services will hold the Sandy Foster Memorial Golf Tournament on Saturday, April 19. This year’s event, sponsored by MIDFLORIDA, will be held at Pinecrest Golf Club in Avon Park. The event is a 2-person scramble. Cost is \$65/person (\$130 per 2-person team.) Sponsorship opportunities are available. Registration opens at 7:30 a.m., with a Shot Gun start at 8:30 a.m. An awards luncheon follows the event. All funds raised are used to support services for seniors in Highlands and Hardee County. To register or for more information, please contact Laurie Murphy at 382-2134 or [MurphyL@nuhope.org](mailto:MurphyL@nuhope.org) or visit [www.nuhopeeldercare.org](http://www.nuhopeeldercare.org)

**Florida Hospital Clay Shoot**  
 OKEECHOBEE – The Florida Hospital Heartland Clay Shoot will be held on Friday, April 25, at the Quail Creek Plantation beginning at 8:30 a.m. A continental breakfast will be served at 8 a.m. at Quail Creek, located at 12399 NE 224th St., Okeechobee. There will also be a home-cooked BBQ lunch and fantastic raffle and green bird prizes. There are four levels of sponsorships available, from Station Sponsor which includes advertising on course station signage and lunch for two for \$100, Individual Sponsor for \$125 which includes registration for one shooter and lunch. The \$500 Team Sponsor

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**Wings of Faith Golf**  
 SEBRING – The Wings of Faith Christian Worship Center will be hosting their 4th Annual Scholarship Golf Tournament on Saturday, April 26, at Sun ‘N Lake. Format is a four-person scramble with handicapped flights. Entry fee is \$65 per person, which includes greens fee, golf cart and lunch. Registration is at 7:30 a.m. the day of the tournament, with an 8:30 a.m. shotgun start. Please submit entries by Thursday, April 24. Make checks payable to Wings of Faith CWC Scholarship Fund. All proceeds go to benefit college-bound senior graduates for the class of 2014. For questions, call Alvin Walters at 381-5706 or 381-6578.

**Bass ‘N Trash Tournament**  
 SEBRING – The Sebring Sr. FFA will host the First Annual Bass ‘N Trash Fishing Tournament on Saturday, May 17, on Lake Jackson at the Veteran’s Beach boat ramp. Cost is \$25 per person, with a maximum of four people per team, with all registered team members receiving a free T-shirt and lunch. Meet time is 7 a.m. and fishing will get underway at 7:30 a.m. Weigh-in takes place at Noon. Cass prizes will be given to heaviest total of three bass, three trash fish, heaviest bass and heaviest trash fish. All fish must be alive at weigh-in. Registration deadline is May 1, which guarantees a shirt, registrations after that, up through the day of the tournament, aren’t guaranteed a shirt. To register, or for more information, contact Sarah Cleveland at (352) 214-9883, or Rebekah Wills at (863) 273-0208.

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# Area Golf League Results

## FISH

FROM PAGE A7

care how old we were or whether we were experienced fishermen.

They would bite all day long.

We learned how to clean fish at about the same time, and although we both had a hard time throwing the small ones back, we learned quickly from our father, "if you keep em', you clean em'.

With bluegill season upon us, now's the time to take that young boy or girl and teach them how to fish.

Children have a short attention span and bluegill tend to be pretty accommodating, so they shouldn't lose interest in catching them.

With any luck, and with the experience learned from catching "gills", they'll be hooked on fishing for life.

### REDS Friday Istokpoga Bass Tournament

Rough weather kept most of the guys' home Friday (including me).

Only four boats participated in the event, which is held every Friday out of the State Park on Route 98.

Charlie Houser and his partner Tom won with three nice fish, and the big bass of the day topping 7 1/2 pounds.

Everyone is eligible to participate in this weekly event and you can pay at the ramp - just be there early.

We check livewells and once you've paid your entry fee, you can head out.

Artificial bait only, no live shiners.

Entry fee is \$30 per boat, with \$10 of every entry fee going to the big bass winner.

Kyle King will be running the tournaments going forward and I'll fish as many as I can.

This is a three fish per boat limit, and state exemption certificates are provided to each angler, requiring all fish to be released alive at the end of the tournament, 100 yards from the opening of the canal at the state park.

Come on out and join us. The tournament ends at 1 p.m.

*Don Norton is a professional tournament bass fisherman, bass fishing guide, and custom rod builder. He lives in the Golf Hammock area of Sebring with his wife Lexie, and is the owner of a custom rod building company appropriately named "The American Fisherman". He is also the owner of REDS II, a full-service fishing tackle store located at 3603 Sebring Parkway, in Sebring, FL. You can reach him at 863-273-4998 or by email at donorton13@gmail.com. Visit his REDS FISHING facebook page or his website at theamericanfisherman.com. or stop by the store to see him anytime.*

### Golf Hammock

The Golf Hammock Ladies played Low Gross/Low Net on Wednesday, April 2, and winning the First Flight Low Gross was Jeannie Fivecoat with a 90, while Judy Kelly took second with 98.

There was a tie for third between Shirley Enochs and Florence Towell with dueling 106s.

In Low Net for the flight, Judy Trier came in with a 71 for the win, while Anne Coffey was second with 72 and Ruth Kirk third with 77.

Low Gross in Second Flight went to Carol Troup and her 103.

Joyce Stanley was second with 104 and Roxie McMillon third with 107.

Low Net went to Alma Barefoot and her 66, while Kaydee Depolito was second at 71 and Jean Haig third at 73.

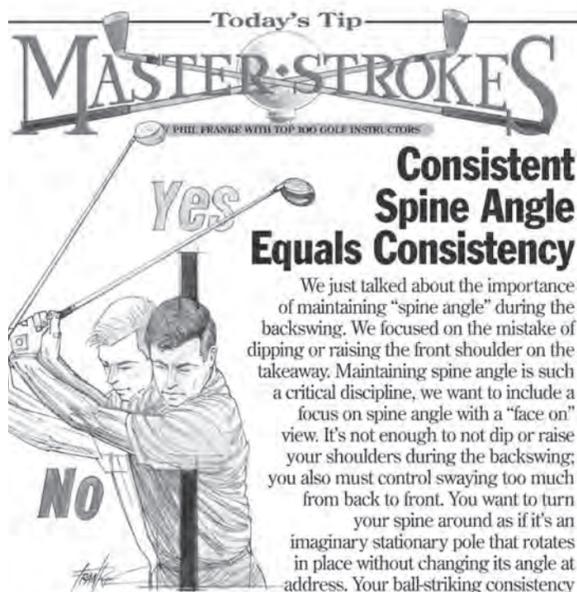
Last Monday, March 31, the Mezza Group played Individual Pro-Am Points and saw Ike Richards win A group with a +4, while Les Campbell's +2 put him in second, and Gary Towel took third with Even.

In B group, Joe Hynzy took first with -1, second went to a tie at -2 between Mike Lajinness and Fred Latshaw.

C group had Dana Smith and Bobby Culbert sharing first place with +3, followed by Taff Brown at +2, and Gary Fivecoat at +1.

Ned Bauer took first in D group with +1, Bob Trier was second with Even, and David Mulligan was third at -2.

In E group, Jan Nigh came in first with +4, Mike



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

Anselm in second with +3, and David Mangold grabbed third with -2.

F group was lead by Ed Northrup, who took first with +7, Curt Matterson grabbed second with Even, and third went to Paul Skidmore at -2.

Terry Yandle took first in G group with +4, followed by a tie for third between Doug Haire and John Robertson at +3.

H group went to Ozzie Bergroth with +4, Dick Bothelo took second with +3, and Bob Wimmers was in third with +2.

In I group, Doc Thomas grabbed first with +6, Jack Carlton took second with +1, followed by Terri Trumbull at Even.

J group saw Jerry Linsley take first place with +6, followed by Ginny McVey in second at +5, and Ralph Pickering in third with +4.

Pete Mezza's +3 got him

first place in K group, followed by a tie for third between Ken Porter and Dave Hankinson at +1.

And in L group, Ron Geoque was in first place with +7, Frank Branca in second with +6, and followed by Don Meitz at Even.

Next Monday, April 7, the Mezza Group will continue to play at Golf Hammock, beginning at 7:45 a.m.

Please arrive early due to a big field of players.

For more information, call Pete at 382-1280.

### Harder Hall

The streak of aces continued Tuesday, April 1, as Michael Jozsa recorded another hole in one.

From 115 yards on the par-3 fifth hole, Jozsa used a 5 wood to span the distance and find the bottom of the cup.

The feat was witnessed by playing partners Tom Wilhelm and Len Dependler.

### Lake June West

The Ladies League played on Monday, March 31, and needed a match of cards to declare a winner.

The team of Wanda Jones, Eva Huffman, Beryl Hansen and Barb Cash got the nod as their 36 out-matched the 36 brought in by Donna Palmatier, Carol Cobert, Jan Mann and Janice Barringer.

Taking third, with a 37, were Kim Fiers, Mary McNamee, Virginia Simmons and Charlotte Mathew.

In closest to the pin, Jane Roush hit to 26-feet, 6-inches from No. 4, Huffman to 5-feet, 6-inches from No. 2 and Doris Weeks to 3-feet, 7-inches from No. 8.

A Mixed Scramble was played on Thursday, March 27, and also required a match of cards to settle the placings.

A pair of 51s were brought in, with top honors going to the team of Doyan Eades, Beth Schuenke, Wayne Eades and Mary McNamee.

Taking second were Wanda Jones, Charlotte Mathew and John and Donna Stewart.

Carding a 52, for third place, were Joe and Joyce Swartz with Jane Roush and Betty Bevard.

For closest to the pin, Walt Nagel hit to 16-feet, 4-inches from No. 4, Mathew to 12-feet, 6-inches from No. 8 and Art Schmeltz to 3-feet, 10-inches from No. 2.

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Dalton Shelton found no peers in the distance running Tuesday, getting wins in the 800-, 1,600- and 3,200-meter runs.

## TRACK

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Lashaday Love got another win for the Lady Devils in the triple jump and the Lady Dragons earned some points in the pole vault from Kathryn LeBlanc (third) and Sonia Becerra (fourth).

Gabriel Yungbluth got fourth on the boys side of the event for a pair of Lake Placid points.

Williams got her second win of the meet for the Dragons, taking the girls high jump, clearing 4-feet, 10-inches and Avon Park got a second and third on the boys side from Jermi-

ah Almondea and Ahmad Smith.

Back on the track, the Lady Dragons took third in the 4X800 relay with the foursome of Jacqueline Barajas, Gabriella Perez, Elizabeth Gloria and Rosa Ramirez, while the boys quartet of Gabriel Mercer, Julian Obregon, Scott Sigrist and Dalton Shelton finished second on the boys side.

Shanice Levenson got a win for the Lady Devils in the 100-meter hurdles, with Quincy Claitt taking third for the Avon Park boys and Johnathan Gervais fourth for Lake Placid.

Lady Dragons took the top three spots in the

100-meter dash in the forms of Williams, Briana Bodon and Ramirez, and the Avon Park boys took the top four spots on their side with Josh Jones, Satine, Caludy Antoine and Almondea getting the job done.

Shelton then showed his distance prowess in winning the 1,600 by more than five seconds.

In the 4X100 relay, Lake Placid's girls took second while Avon Park's boys won their side.

Jones then got another Lady Devil win in the 400, with teammate Keyanesahe Fullard taking third and Lady Dragon Belkis Rivero finishing fourth.

Levenson took a third in

the 300 hurdles for Avon Park and Allison Kinchen was fourth for Lake Placid.

And on the boys side, Gervais got third for the Dragons and Dominick Hutchins and Claitt went fourth and fifth for the Devils.

LeBlanc and Shelton got Lake Placid wins in the 800-meter run, with Kinchen getting another win in the 200.

Jones and Satine went first and third for Avon Park in the 200, before Shelton finished off the Dragon wins by taking the 3,200 by nearly 30 seconds.

Avon Park got their final win from the girls 4X400 relay team.

## DEVILS

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that pushed the lead to the 18-10 margin that would stand at games end.

"We feel good. We are all getting better as a team, we still have our little moments where we break down, but our teammates pick us back up and we are back to business," Gomez said. "But there is always room for improvement. And that's what we are trying to do, improve each and every day."

That mentality, along with their now 13-3 record on the season, bodes well for the team as it heads into the closing stretch of the regular season.

The Devils hosted LaBelle Thursday, and get back into District 9-4A play tonight against McKeel at Head Field and Tuesday at the Mulberry Panthers.

start the fourth, Gomez walked and after a stolen base, both would come in on a J.C. Cobb single.

Kelley then drove in Martinez in the fifth with a base-knock to center.

Frostproof scratched for single runs in the fourth, fifth and sixth, but the Devils pretty much put it away with another five-run frame in the sixth.

Frazier lead it off with a walk and came around on consecutive singles from Kyle Thompson, Brown and Martinez.

Then, with two outs and the bases loaded, Kelley had the games' big bang with a grand slam blast over the center-field fence

## SEBRING

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days of tennis with nine teams," head coach Janie Hollinger said. "The girls played beyond my expectations and are excited to play next week at Regionals."

The teams will play the first- and second-place teams from District 12, which covers the Fort Myers and Naples area.

Lown and Casad 6-2, 6-2.

The overall point totals saw Lemon Bay on top with 27 points and Sebring edging out Cape Coral for second, 17-14.

"We had two great

## NCAA

FROM PAGE A7

Shabazz Napier is the one-man gang this time.

### THE STARS

Shabazz Napier, UConn. A 6-foot-1 point guard who can do it all and had a great mentor in Kemba Walker.

Julius Randle, Kentucky. The projected No. 1 overall NBA draft pick is big, athletic and often unstoppable.

Frank Kaminsky, Wisconsin.

When he's hitting his 3-pointers, this 7-footer is all but unguardable.

Scottie Wilbekin, Florida.

From being asked to transfer by his own coach to becoming one of college basketball's best closers.

### THE OTHERS

Patrick Young, Florida. The Gators' big man is like a linebacker in basketball shorts.

Aaron Harrison, Kentucky.

Hit the winning jumper against Michigan despite struggling with his shot.

Has a twin brother who's not bad, either.

Sam Dekker, Wisconsin.

He's scrappy, versatile and a good shooter — a perfect fit for the Badgers.

Ryan Boatwright, UConn.

Napier's backcourt sidekick can shoot and has become a point-guard stopper on defense.

### THE COACHES

Billy Donovan, Florida.

So much for not being able to get the Gators to the Final Four without NBA-ready players.

Might be the best coaching job of his career. Calipari, Kentucky.

The slick coach with the designer suits might irritate some, but he sure can recruit players — and win games.

Bo Ryan, Wisconsin.

His has been the feel-good story so far, making the Final Four for the first time as a coach after taking his late father, Butch, every year since 1976 as a birthday gift.

Kevin Ollie, UConn.

Thrust into a difficult situation following the retirement of Jim Calhoun and NCAA sanctions last

season.

Managed it all incredibly well, particularly for a first-time head coach.

### NUMBERS

0 – Points by Kentucky's Marcus Lee had in the 10 games prior to scoring 10 against Michigan in the Elite Eight.

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– Percentage of people (612 total) who accurately

predicted the Final Four out of 11 million entries in ESPN's Tournament Challenge.

2 – SEC teams (Kentucky and Florida) in the Final Four out of three that made it into the NCAA tournament.

3 – Teams that Kentucky beat in the bracket that were in the Final Four a year ago (Wichita State, Louisville and Michigan).

4 – Times UConn's men's and women's teams have reached the Final Four in the same season, most of any school.

8 – Years since there were no repeat Final Four teams before this

season.

8.1 – Turnovers per game by Wisconsin, best in the nation.

16 – Straight NCAA tournament appearances by Wisconsin, most among the Final Four teams.

73 – Years since Wisconsin's last and only national championship.

2,720 – Points scored by Wisconsin this season, a school record.

### FAMOUS ALUMNI

Connecticut: Actress Meg Ryan, physicist David Lee, actor Ron Palillo (Horseshack!), screenwriter/producer Jeremy Leven.

Florida: Actress Faye Dunaway, Nobel Prize winners Marshall Nirenberg and Robert Grubbs, Yankees owner Hal Steinbrenner, Wendy's owner Dave Thomas.

Kentucky: Actress Ashley Judd, Sen. Mitch McConnell, astronaut Story Musgrave, Nobel Prize winner William Lipscomb.

Wisconsin: Baseball Commissioner Bud Selig, Vice President Dick Cheney, architect Frank Lloyd Wright, actor Don Ameche, singers Steve Miller and Boyz Scaggs.



## British sailor praises mates after ocean rescue

Sailor says he's 'a very, very lucky boy'

BERNIE WILSON  
Associated Press

but did wonder if his mates would be able to find him in the big waves.

Says Taylor: "I believe I'm a very, very lucky boy. There were many eventualities and possibilities that could have ended very differently."

Taylor injured his right leg when he smashed into the rudder after he fell overboard Monday.

He'll have X-rays when the 70-toot Derry-Londonderry-Doire reaches San Francisco in the Clipper Round the World Yacht Race.

SAN DIEGO — A British sailor who fell overboard during a yacht race and spent nearly two hours in the cold, rough North Pacific says he never gave up hope of being rescued because he knew his fellow crew members were well-trained for such an emergency.

Andrew Taylor tells The Associated Press via satellite phone that he didn't panic even though he lost sight of his boat,

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## REFRESH YOUR ROUTINE

### Make it a scent-filled season

According to a recent survey conducted by Glade, nearly 90 percent of Americans say that scent has the power to inspire feelings. Experience the powerful effect fragrance can have on everyday life by following these tips:

#### ■ Create everyday indulgences

Freshen up your bathroom by adding soaps or room sprays in your favorite fresh scents, like lavender or citrus.

#### ■ Invigorate your senses

Liven up your home with fragrance, while awakening your taste buds by trying new recipes with seasonal fruits, vegetables and spices like refreshing mint, zesty grapefruits and sweet cherries.

#### ■ Bring in some buds

Plant a window garden using your favorite herbs or grab some fresh-cut flowers from your garden for an instant pop of color and a burst of fresh fragrance.

### Family Features

**T**he changing season evokes a sense of renewal, inside and out, making it the perfect opportunity to rejuvenate you and your surroundings. It's time to let a little sunlight in and celebrate the warmer months ahead.

From trying a bold, new hue with living room accents to taking a yoga class, there are numerous ways to reinvent yourself and your surroundings as you mentally prep for the season ahead — even if the weather is saying otherwise. Use your senses and embrace the unbridled joy that comes with the change of seasons — from the bright pops of color that enliven your home to the comforting floral scents that enhance your mood. Use these simple tips to transition into this exciting and vibrant time of year.

#### Freshen up your home

From the drapes that adorn your windows to the artwork that lines the walls — your home is a true reflection of your personality and style. As you break free from last season's routine, be sure to update your space too. Store away old decor and make room for more upbeat, invigorated gear. Add vibrant pops of color and bright patterns with new accessories for a simple update that feels fresh.

#### Wake up your senses

Fragrance offers another easy way to invigorate your routine. Choose fragrances that embody the rejuvenation

and excitement of the season. The new Glade Limited Edition Spring Collection for example, is a refreshing assortment of five fragrances inspired by the uplifting feelings of the season, such as Lift Off and Let Loose.

#### Make time for hobbies you love

As the weather warms up, you will likely find yourself attending more get-togethers, outdoor sporting events and other celebrations with friends and family. As schedules become increasingly hectic, be sure to set aside time for the hobbies you love most. Whether it's gardening, cooking or reading, scheduling time for the activities you en-

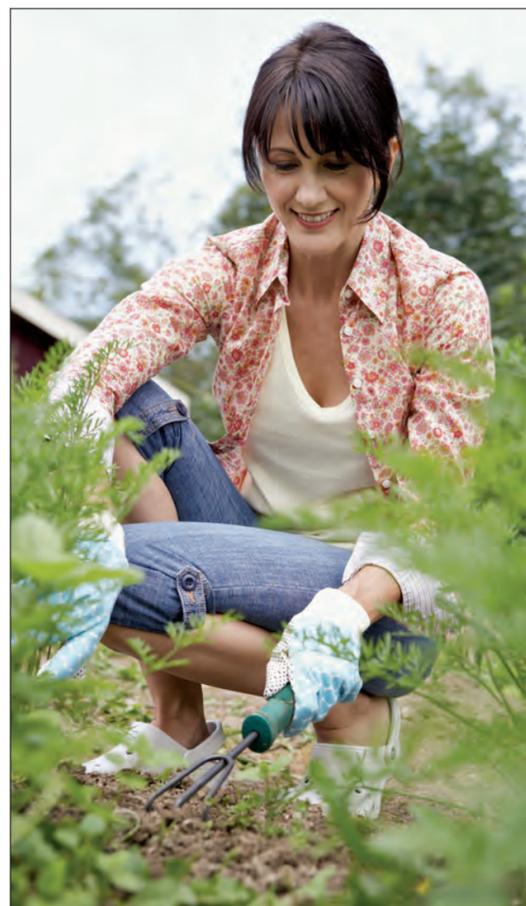
joy will help ensure they happen. After all, making "me time" a priority can benefit your overall happiness in more ways than one.

#### Try something new

This is a time of new beginnings and what better way to start fresh than by trying something new? Work a new hobby into your routine, such as yoga or painting. Or, attempt something you've always been afraid to try. The thrill of accomplishing something you haven't done or feared doing will leave you feeling empowered.

#### Feel the breeze

When the birds are chirping and the tulips are blooming, take ad-



vantage of the beautiful, mild weather. Incorporate more outdoor activities into your schedule and find ways to enjoy time outside each day. Some fun outdoor activities include biking to work, hosting a dinner party on your

patio or planting a garden. And while you're at home, be sure open up those windows and welcome the lovely breeze inside.

For more fresh ideas to embrace the season, visit [www.glade.com](http://www.glade.com).

# 'Captain America' zippy but hollow

JAKE COYLE  
AP Film Writer

NEWYORK — For the latest Marvel release, "Captain America: The Winter Soldier," most fan boys might prefer a Consumer Reports-style product review.

New character introductions: Smooth. Action sequences: Excellent if sometimes lacking finesse. Viewer satisfaction: Likely high. Box-office prospects: Bankable. Teasers for future Marvel installments: Yes, two.

With slick design and plushy interiors, "The Winter Soldier" is an excellent product. But is it a good movie? Are the two indistinguishable at this point?

Like the recent "Thor: The Dark World," "Winter Soldier" is a sequel to a pre-"Avengers" franchise starter. The earlier "Captain America: First Avenger" was a mostly clever period film, set in the '40s and awash with a charming WWII thriller nostalgia.

"Winter Soldier" brings Steve Rogers — the weakling recruit made a brawny Greatest Generation icon, played by Chris Evans — up to present day for a Washington D.C. conspiracy thriller. Fittingly, Marvel has attracted the default hero of such films, Robert Redford. He's a major get for the franchise, especially since (unlike in last year's "All is Lost") he's actually talking now.

While Rogers runs laps around the Lincoln Memorial Reflecting Pool and jots notes on the pop culture he missed while frozen for 70 years, there's trouble brewing at S.H.I.E.L.D. Its head, Nick Fury (Samuel Jackson), believes something is amiss with the agency's latest project: a trio of "helicarriers" that can kill evildoers from the sky even before the evil is done.

It's in this way that Marvel films use a complicated current-events issue — NSA-like spying — to feign contemporary relevance. It's the appearance of having something to say.

Captain America, a stand-in for a more innocent, noble America, wonders if the helicarriers are like "holding a gun to everyone on Earth and calling it protection."

But that's about the extent of such



Courtesy Marvel Studios/MCT

Chris Evans, left, and Scarlett Johansson in "Captain America: The Winter Soldier."

## MOVIE REVIEW

CRITIC'S RATING: ★★½

talk in "Winter Soldier": a political thriller without the politics. (Be warned: some small spoilers follow.)

Fury, having doubted the project, finds himself a hunted man. Captain America is left to investigate with only a few trustworthy friends: Scarlett Johansson's scarlet-haired former KGB agent Natasha Romanoff, a.k.a. the Black Widow (an "Avengers" toss-in, added like a dash of paprika) and Anthony Mackie's veteran Sam Wilson (a welcome newbie).

The best thing "Winter Soldier" has going for it is its cast, a uniformly likable bunch, particularly the winning Mackie, whose character dons mechanical wings to become the Falcon. And then there's Redford, who plays Alexander Pierce, a S.H.I.E.L.D. director.

Redford, naturally, classes up the joint. Historically, in films like "Three Days of the Condor" and "All the President's Men," he's been the regular guy fighting government conspiracy — which makes his duplicitous turn in "Winter Soldier" exciting. Like Jackson, he lends a gravitas to the film that it perhaps doesn't quite deserve.

Directing brothers Anthony Russo and Joe Russo ("You, Me and Du-

pre") and screenwriters Christopher Markus and Stephen McFeely ("Thor: The Dark World") put perhaps a bit more into character development than these films often do. (The biggest misstep is with the handling of the title character, an assassin played by Sebastian Stan, whose true identity is mysterious.)

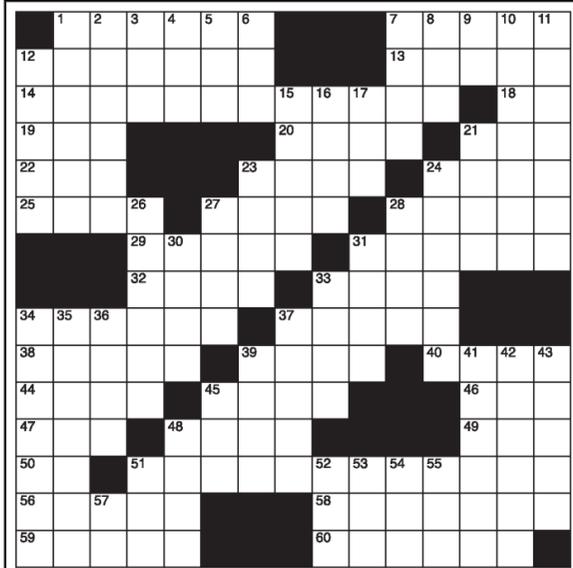
The brightly lit D.C. environs, too, give the film something of a sense of the real world. Yet when Marvin Gaye's "Trouble Man" plays — pop-culture homework for Rogers — it's like a window into another, wholly separate universe. One with soul.

It's getting difficult to tell the Marvel movies apart. The fight scenes on a departing aircraft blur together. The reversals of friend and foe refract like an infinity mirror. The characters are spread across so many movies that you'd need a detective's cork board to keep it straight.

So while "The Winter Soldier" succeeds as finely engineered merchandise built to be crowd-pleasing entertainment, for moviegoers and shareholder alike, it has a shelf life that won't last much past its running time.

"Captain America: The Winter Soldier," a Walt Disney release, is rated PG-13 by the Motion Picture Association of America for "intense sequences of violence, gunplay and action throughout." Running time: 136 minutes.

## PUZZLE CORNER



### CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Nonviolent reformer
- 7. Saudi people
- 12. Dawns
- 13. Former German state
- 14. Dallas & Miami coach
- 18. 3rd tone
- 19. Iguania genus
- 20. Expresses pleasure
- 21. Tear apart
- 22. Jacob's 7th son
- 23. Mold-ripened cheese
- 24. Peel
- 25. Survivor Baskauskas
- 27. A Scottish Highlander
- 28. More normal
- 29. Plural of 23 across
- 31. Lettuce dishes
- 32. Fleshy seed cover
- 33. Abundant
- 34. Parcelings
- 37. Competitions
- 38. Paths
- 39. Take heed
- 40. Journey
- 44. Japanese sashes
- 45. Archaic word for worry
- 46. They
- 47. General Mills on NYSE
- 48. Heroic tale
- 49. Wrath
- 50. Indicates position
- 51. Whoopie's birth name
- 56. Namaqualand peoples
- 58. Beginnings
- 59. Cooks slowly
- 60. Stopwatches

### CLUES DOWN

- 1. Urban instrument
- 2. Fleet
- 3. \_\_\_ de plume
- 4. Moisture free
- 5. Pilgrim's journey
- 6. Equal, prefix
- 7. Native Australians
- 8. Norse sea goddess
- 9. Public promotion
- 10. Soiled with mud
- 11. Crack shots
- 12. Bugle weed
- 15. Leporid mammals
- 16. Pointed fastener
- 17. The woman
- 21. Frog genus
- 23. Yellow edible Indian fruit
- 24. Most pallid
- 26. Shows mercy
- 27. Spanish cubist
- 28. Risk-free
- 30. Greek god of war
- 31. Ailing
- 33. Stand
- 34. Topical phrases
- 35. The natural home of a plant
- 36. Cuckoos
- 37. Showed old movie
- 39. Fury
- 41. Cultivator
- 42. Mistakes
- 43. Laments
- 45. Wheeled vehicle
- 48. Impertinence
- 51. Crow sound
- 52. Note
- 53. Near, against
- 54. Be hesitant
- 55. Point midway between N and NE
- 57. Of I

# Romantic night comes at a cost

**DEAR ABBY:** My boyfriend and I have been together for two years. We recently spent a romantic night at a hotel, complete with dinner, drinks — the whole shebang — that he organized.

I know he was a little stressed about money because he mentioned it. He asked if I could shell out some money, which I did, and when the bill came, he asked me if I could shell out some more.

I was a little upset because I wasn't planning on spending that much. He says he is going to pay me back some of it, and now I just feel bad.

I told him I didn't enjoy being put in that situation and things got awkward quickly.

Now I am the one apologizing, and I feel like I ruined our night. Am I being a brat?

— NEW YORK READER

**DEAR N.Y. READER:** I don't think so. If your boyfriend couldn't afford to pay for the romantic evening, he should have discussed it with you beforehand so you wouldn't be put on the spot.

**DEAR ABBY:** I work at an elementary school, and



DEAR ABBY

Jeanne Phillips

I help out during lunch, keeping order and making sure the kids are not too loud.

Two of their moms work

here. The kids are bullies and have no respect for adults whatsoever.

When I try to discipline them or give them a time out, they go to their moms and accuse me of targeting them because they are black.

Then the moms come to me and complain and ask me why I'm "targeting" them.

This is causing me a lot of stress. I can't allow them to bully other kids, but at the same time I don't want trouble with the parents.

How can I approach this

situation without it getting more complicated?

— SCHOOLYARD MOM IN FLORIDA

**DEAR SCHOOLYARD MOM:** Because these women are preventing you from effectively supervising the children, which is your job, you should address this problem with the principal of the school.

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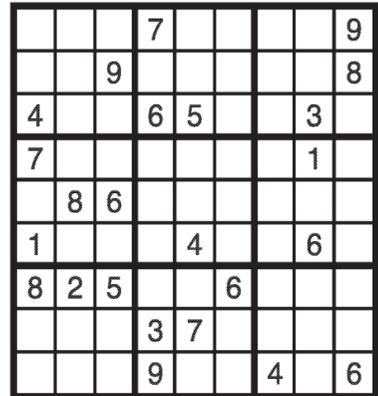
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### WORDS

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 ANTS IRRIGATION  
 BROADLEAF LANDSCAPE  
 BROWN MOLES  
 CLAY MOSS  
 CLOD MOWING  
 CLOVER MULCH  
 COMPOST ORGANIC  
 CRABGRASS OSMOSIS  
 DESTICCANT PESTS  
 DRAINAGE RESEEDING  
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Find the words hidden vertically, horizontally & diagonally throughout the puzzle.

## SUDOKU



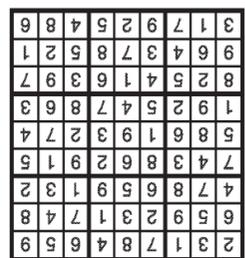
Fun By The Numbers

Like puzzles? 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!

Level: Advanced

### Here's How It Works:

Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. 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 numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!



ANSWER:

Answers: A. prescribe B. pills C. doctor D. caution

## HEALTHY LIVING

## Wartime medicine has led to advances



## GUEST COLUMN

Dr. Diana Carr

Until the advent of penicillin in World War II, the biggest cause of death in war was disease.

George Washington had the soldiers of the Army of the Potomac vaccinated for smallpox because of his concern about losing troops to that scourge. Sixty percent of Union soldiers and 54 percent of World War I soldiers died of disease.

With the discovery of antibiotics, only 28 percent of World War II deaths were due to disease. Penicillin was discovered in England before the war, but it was the wartime need that led to a cooperative effort of many drug companies in the United States that got penicillin into mass production.

The biggest killer in battle is blood loss. Early wounds were cauterized with boiling oil or hot metal. In the 16th century a French barber, Ambrose Pare, acting as a field surgeon, decided there must

be a better way. He began finding, clamping and then tying off arteries using silk ligatures. He had improved results, but it took nearly 100 years for his "ligatures" to become standard.

Blood banks were started in France in 1918 to improve the care for wounded soldiers. Korea and Vietnam saw increased survival rates due to better blood management in the field.

Today, troops carry tourniquets that can be applied one-handed to a leg or arm injury in the field. The high survival rate of the Boston Marathon bombing was attributed in part to the large number of first responders who had studied or had practical experience with explosive war wounds.

During the Korean War, a registry of vascular injuries, the repairs and the outcomes was started.

The 8,000 case records were one of the first attempts to improve care with evidenced-based medicine.

Knowing which injuries could be repaired and what methods worked helped save many limbs.

The number of limbs lost due to explosive devices has led to improved prosthetics as the young, otherwise healthy, amputees returned from Vietnam and Afghanistan. They refused to be limited



Metro

Many of the advances in medical technology that we now take for granted were pioneered by doctors treating war casualties.

by their injuries and demanded better answers to the limitations of older prosthetics.

The carbon "blades" that allowed Oscar Pistorius to participate in the Olympics and the other specialized "feet" that allow skiing, hiking and even swimming, are good examples of this.

Perhaps the most exciting area is in hand transplants. These were controversial because of the serious long-term consequences of the anti-re-

jection drugs. The Department of Defense, in cooperation with the University of Pittsburgh, is funding a study using bone marrow taken from the limb donor and then injected, after processing, into the limb recipient. This has dramatically decreased the need for anti-rejection drugs.

This technique may turn out to be applicable to other transplants, decreasing both the risk and the long-term drug costs. Wars have brought ad-

vances in civilian medicine as new procedures are developed to help our troops.

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## Medicare to release billing data for 880K doctors

WASHINGTON (AP) — Patients may soon get an unprecedented look at how their doctor compares to other physicians, after Medicare announced Wednesday it plans to publicly post billing data for more than 888,000 practitioners.

Considered the mother lode of information on doctors, the Medicare claims database has been off-limits to the public for decades, blocked in the courts by physician groups. The American Medical Association has argued that its release would amount to an invasion of doctors' privacy. Consumer groups, insurers, employers and the news media have sought the information to help them evaluate clinicians.

Wednesday, the Obama administration came down on the side of disclosure.

Medicare Deputy Administrator Jonathan Blum said in a letter to the American Medical Association that the agency intends to post the data publicly as early as next week.

## Stop nerve pain in its tracks

**Dear Pharmacist:** I have neuropathies all over my body, it feels like pins and needles. I take pain medications. Is there anything natural I can do or take?

— G.D. Seattle, Colorado

**Answer:** Neuropathy may cause more than the discomfort you describe. It can also cause pain, weakness, dizziness when standing up, burning sensations (even in the tongue), shooting pain, trigeminal neuralgia, tingling, numbness, cystitis, urinary urgency, and vibration/buzzing sensations. In men, erectile dysfunction is possible.

Recognizing that your neuropathy is related to another disorder is huge. If you treat the neuropathy as a disease in and of itself, then you miss the big picture, and the opportunity to cure yourself.

Neuropathy is a symptom of post-herpetic neuralgia (shingles), high insulin, diabetes, gluten sensitivity or Celiac, heavy metal toxicity, autoimmune disorders, Lyme disease and medications.

A little-known fact is that medications can mug your body of nutrients that would otherwise protect your nerves, so neuropathy pain is a side effect. The list of drugs that can indirectly do this goes is in the hundreds and some classic 'offenders' include antacids, acid blockers, oral contraceptives, hormone replacement therapy, corticosteroids, statin cholesterol reducers, breast



## DEAR PHARMACIST

Suzy Cohen

cancer drugs and fluoroquinolone antibiotics.

That last class of drugs, the fluoroquinolones (Cipro, Floxin, Avelox, Levofloxacin) have a fluoride backbone. Fluoride is known to harm the thyroid gland, reduce thyroid production and cause irreversible damage to the nervous system.

One solution for neuropathies is to reduce insulin and blood sugar. My book "Diabetes Without Drugs" offers natural remedies to help. I'd get off medications that cause neuropathies (with physician approval) and simultaneously get on medications that support nerve growth. Thyroid medications, specifically "T3" and/or growth hormone shots can help.

If your doctor approves and supervises you, you could take a few of the following supplements. It's all trial and error, I don't know what's right for you:

■ **Thiamine:** A glass of wine every night can steal nerve-protective nutrients like vitamin B1 (thiamine). You can also try benfotiamine, a

fat-soluble form of thiamine.

■ **Probiotics:** Sounds strange, but here's a connection. Probiotics allow you to make methylcobalamin (vitamin B12) which you need to produce myelin and protect the nerve cells.

■ **Methylcobalamin (B12):** When your body starves for B12, you lose the myelin sheath and your nerves short circuit. This can cause neuropathy and depression. There are dozens of drug muggers of B12, including the diabetic medications that you take as well as processed foods, sugar, antibiotics, estrogen hormones and acid blockers.

■ **Lipoic Acid:** You can buy it as "alpha" at any health food store, or "R" lipoic acid as a more bioavailable form. This antioxidant squashes free radicals that attack your myelin sheath and 'fray' your nerve wiring. It reduces blood sugar, too. High doses are needed to improve nerve pain, but if you take high doses, you need to also supplement with a little biotin. The reason is because lipoic acid is a drug mugger of biotin.

*Suzy Cohen is a registered pharmacist and the author of 'The 24-Hour Pharmacist' and 'Real Solutions.' For more information, visit [www.suzycohen.com](http://www.suzycohen.com). This information is not intended to treat, diagnose or cure your condition.*



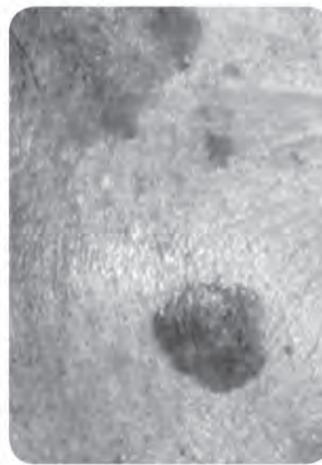
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# RELIGION

## Atonement Lutheran Church

SEBRING — Rev. Sharon Dorr will lead the Sunday service. This will be Birthday Sunday.

Coffee and birthday cake will be served after the service in the fellowship hall.

## Avon Park Christian Church

AVON PARK — Pastor Greg Ratliff will bring a message in the sermon series "Is Something On Fire?" on Sunday.

The church is at 1016 W. Camphor St. (behind the Wells Fargo Bank). Call 453-5334 or email apcc.2014@yahoo.com with any questions or to request information. The website is www.avonpark-christianchurch.com.

## Christ Lutheran Church

AVON PARK — Pastor Scott McLean will preach a sermon titled "Living 'in the Spirit in the Flesh'" on Sunday.

The church is at 1320 County Road 64, east of the Avon Park High School past the four-way stop sign. For more information, call 471-2663 or visit www.christlutheran-avonpark.org.

## Christian Training Church

SEBRING — Rev. Linda M. Downing will bring the message titled "Greater Vision" at the Sunday morning service.

The Wednesday night Bible study is the Gospel of John.

## Church of the Brethren

SEBRING — Pastor David Smalley will preach from Ephesians 1:18-23 on Sunday. This Sunday the title of his sermon will be "Transformation Power."

The theme for Sunday school will be "Creating a Redeemed People." The scripture will be from Isaiah 43.

Call 385-1597.

## Emmanuel United Church of Christ

SEBRING — Rev. George Miller's sermon on Sunday will be "Whole; Holy" from Romans 8:6-11.

The church is 1.7 miles west of U.S. 27 on Hammock Road. Call 471-1999 or visit www.sebringemmanuelucc.com for more information.

## Faith Baptist Church of Lake Placid

LAKE PLACID — Pastor Bill Cole will be preaching "Marching Orders for Believers" from the book of Romans Sunday morning, and Sunday evening he will preach "How Do You Spell Love" from the Gospel of John.

Mid-week prayer & Bible study is held on Wednesday.

The Easter Musical, "Jesus Messiah," will be on Palm Sunday, April 13, at 10:45 a.m.

To listen to Faith

## SNAPSHOTS

### CHURCH SERVICES

Baptist Sunday morning sermons or for more information, visit www.faithbaptistchurchLP.com or call 465-0060. The church is at 660 Holmes Ave.

## Faith Lutheran Church of Sebring

SEBRING — This Sunday, the church celebrates Fifth Sunday in Lent. Guest Pastor Tony Douches will be delivering his sermon at Faith Lutheran titled, "Can These Bones Live?"

Every Tuesday and Thursday morning, Senior Aerobics is offered by teacher Barbara. Classes are no charge and are various levels.

L.I.F.T. — Ladies In Faith/Fellowship Together meets Friday, April 11. The study will be on "Give Work A Rest." The text is from Exodus 31:12-17.

The church is having Lenten services on Wednesday evenings, the theme for Wednesday is "Facing Suffering" from Romans 8:18-19.

For more information on any event, visit www.facebook.com/FaithLutheranSebring.

## First Baptist Church Avon Park

AVON PARK — Rev. Jon Beck will be preaching from James 5:12 on Sunday. Nursery is available for the morning and evening services.

Wednesdays schedule includes supper, children's choir, Bible study/prayer meeting, youth and children activities, choir rehearsal and the Spanish service.

The church is at 100 N. Lake Ave. Call 863-453-6681 or email info@fbcap.net.

## First Christian Church of Sebring Disciples of Christ

SEBRING — Sunday's message by Pastor Ron Norton will be "A Woman Anoints Jesus" from Mark 14: 3-9.

Greeting the congregation will be Terry Ducar. Elders will be Diane Beidler and Linda Ellis.

Deacons and servers will be Carol Graves, Catherine Baker, Barbara Slinkard and Carol Chandler.

The Church is at 510 Poinsettia Ave. Call 385-0352.

## First Presbyterian Church of Avon Park

AVON PARK — Rev. Ed Fleagle will be the guest speaker Sunday. His sermon is entitled ""Baptism with the Holy

Spirit" based on Luke 24:44-49.

The choir's introit will be "I Come to the Cross" and the anthem "How Beautiful."

The adult Sunday school class is using the denominational quarterly. The theme this quarter is the Gospel of Matthew. Sunday's lesson is entitled "Greatness in the Kingdom" based on Matthew 20:1-28.

Youth Group will be led by Dave Blackmon and Kathaleen Black.

On Wednesday, Pastor Bob Johnson will lead Bible study on the book "What is Spiritual Warfare?"

The church is at 215 E. Circle St. (with two entrances on Lagrand St.). Call 453-3242 or visit www.avonparkapchurch.com.

## First Presbyterian Church of Sebring

SEBRING — Rev. Darrell A. Peer's sermon title for Sunday is "Building Faith, Part 2."

Miriam Circle meets Monday. Dorcas Sewing Circle meets Tuesday, as will youth groups. Wednesday is adult Bible study and choir rehearsal.

The church is at 319 Poinsettia Ave. Call 385-0107.

## First United Methodist Church of Sebring

SEBRING — Pastor John Bryant will bring the message with the Youth Choir providing the special music. Holy Communion will be served.

Wednesday evening will be fellowship with dinner and Bible study.

Listen Live on WITS-AM 1340 each Sunday to hear the morning service.

The church is downtown at 126 South Pine St. Call 385-5184.

## Grace Pointe Ministries

SEBRING — The church meets in the Sebring Hills Clubhouse, 200 Lark Ave. Call Myrna at 385-1671 for details.

Sunday's sermon message is celebrating the month of Nissan, Rosh Chodesh of the Jewish calendar. The tribe attached to this month is the Tribe of Judah.

Tuesday Home Bible Study continues the study "Messiah: Shadow to Image." Each week is a independent study.

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## Heartland Christian Church

SEBRING — Pastor Ted Moore's sermon this week will be "Christian Arobics, Part 2" with scripture from 1 Thessalonians 5:12-22. Communion is offered during the service weekly

The service will include specials by Allen Warchak and Ruth Rayburn.

Tuesday night adult Bible study is taught by Pastor Ted Moore. Wednesday night supper is served by Barbra Kelly and Dorothy Newton. The church is at 2705 Alternate Route 17 South in Sebring (behind Publix). Call 314-9693.

## Memorial United Methodist Church

LAKE PLACID — Pastor Tim Haas will preach on "Journey to the Cross-The Dead Man" at the traditional and contemporary worship services, with the scripture lesson from John 11:38-45.

Youth Group will meet Sunday afternoon in Rob Reynolds Hall, led by Pastor Claude Burnett.

The Church is at 500 Kent Ave., east of the Tower. Call 465-2422.

## New Beginnings Church

SEBRING — On Sunday, Pastor Gary Kindle's sermon is titled "Valley of the Dry Bones" based on Ezekiel 37:1-14 New Beginnings Church of Sebring is a Bible-oriented, non-denominational church led by Pastor Gary Kindle.

There is a blended service with contemporary and traditional music.

The church meets in The Morris Chapel, 307 S. Commerce Ave. Call 835-2405.

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# HEALTHY LIVING

## Cornerstone Hospice seeks volunteers with 'hospice hearts'

SEBRING – Highlands and Hardee County residents who want to make a difference in their community are invited to join the team of dedicated and caring Cornerstone Hospice and Palliative Care volunteers.

Hospice volunteers assist with office duties and marketing events, as well as visit hospice patients in their homes, offering conversation and giving caregivers a welcome break.

All Cornerstone Hospice volunteers must complete a 16-hour training session and the next training is scheduled for April, in Sebring:

Tuesday, April 8; Friday, April 11; Tuesday, April 15 and Friday, April 18, each day, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Cornerstone Hospice, 209 N. Ridgewood Drive, Suite 3.

Breakfast and coffee will be provided. All four days of training are required.

Call Dorothy Harris, volunteer specialist, at 382-4563; Lisa Gray, volunteer manager at 352-742-6806 or toll-free, 888-728-6234.

## Caregiver support groups offered

Change of Pace offers several Caring for Caregivers support groups.

In Avon Park, the group meet at the First Christian Church, 1016 Camphor St., every Monday from 10:30-11:30 a.m. Facilitators Cora Schwingel and Jean Maas.

In Sebring, the group meets at Sebring Christian Church/Change of Pace, 4514 Hammock Road, every Thursday from 1-2 p.m. Facilitators are Jean Maas and Ellen McKissock.

There is also an evening group that meets every second and fourth

## SNAPSHOTS

### LOCAL NEWS

Thursday from 6-7 p.m. The facilitator is Cora Schwingel.

There is also an Anticipatory Grief Support Group that meets in Sebring at Sebring Christian Church/Change of Pace, 4514 Hammock Road, every Tuesday 9:30-11 a.m. The facilitator is Charlie Stroup. In Lake Placid, the group meets at Memorial United Methodist Church, 500 Kent St., every Tuesday from 10-11 p.m. Facilitators are Lisa Rodriguez and Sharon Puckett.

Call 382-1188 for more information.

## Childbirth education workshops set

SEBRING — The Florida Department of Health and Healthy Start will host free childbirth education workshops on April 11 and May 15 at 7205 South George Blvd., Sebring.

Space is limited and pre-registration is required. Call 382-7233.

## Free quit smoking program

If you're ready to quit tobacco, there is a six-session program that will help you for free, including free nicotine patches.

For more information, call 877-252-6094 or visit www.ahectobacco.com.

## Diabetes management classes offered

SEBRING — Free diabetes self management classes will be offered at the Health Department, 7205 South George Blvd. April 21-23, from 5:30-8:30 p.m. and again May 5-7 from 8:30-11:30 a.m.

Classes are taught by Peggy Pierce, RN, and nutritionist Aleyda Oliveros. Space is limited. Call 382-7294 to reserve a seat.

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# RELIGION

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### ANGLICAN

**New Life Anglican Fellowship**, 10 N. Main Ave. (Woman's Club), Lake Placid, FL 33852. Rev. Susan Rhodes, Deacon in Charge, (863) 243-3191; 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**, 22600 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 Catalyst class (20's+) begin at 6:30 PM. The adult Bible and Prayer Time begins at 7 p.m. For more information go to www.bethanybaptistap.com or call the church office at 863-452-1136.

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

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

**First Baptist Church of Avon Park, N.** Lake Ave., Avon Park, FL - 453-6681. Rev. Jon Beck, pastor; Rev. Johnattan Soltero, Hispanic pastor; Joy Loomis, director of music. Sunday – Sunday school, 9:30 a.m.; Worship, 10:45 a.m.; Children's Church, 10:45 a.m.; Youth Choir, 4:30 p.m.; Evening Worship, 6 p.m. Nursery provided for both services. Wednesday - Wednesday Night Supper, 5:15 p.m.; Children's Choir, 5:45 p.m.; Youth Activities, 6 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. To watch services online, go to the website at www.fbcp.net. "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.fbclp.com. Email: information@fbclp.com. Sunday services - Traditional Service 9 a.m., Contemporary Service 10:30 a.m. Link Groups at 9 and 10:30 a.m., Wednesday Activities: Family dinner at 5 p.m. (\$4 per person, reservations required). Prayer meeting, Youth Intersections, and MaxKidz Extreme meet at 6:15 p.m. The church is at 119 E. Royal Palm St., Lake Placid. For information, call 465-3721 or go to www.fbclp.com.

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

**First Baptist Church, Sebring**, 200 E. Center Ave., Sebring, FL 33870. Telephone: 385-5154. 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.; Mission 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.fosebring.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 and youth at 6 p.m. and for adults at 6:30 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. Evangelist Roger Jaudon. 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. Sunday Life Teen Mass at 6 p.m. Weekday mass at 8 a.m. English confession at 3:30 p.m. Saturday; Spanish confession at 6:30 p.m. 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.

**St. Catherine Catholic Church**, 820 Hickory St., Sebring. Parish office/ mailing address: 882 Bay St., Sebring, FL 33870, 385-0049, 385-6762 (Spanish); fax, 385-5169; email, office@stcathe.com; website, www.stcathe.com. School Office/Mailing, Principal Dr. Anna V. Adam, 747 S. Franklin St., Sebring, FL 33870; 385-7300; fax, 385-7310; email school@stcathe.com. School office hours 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday-Friday. Clergy: Very Rev. José González, V.F., fr-jose@stcathe.com or 385-0049; Parochial Vicar, Rev. Victor Caviedes, 385-3993; Assistant 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: Sunday 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. year round. Saturday Vigil 4 p.m. Weekdays 9 a.m. Holy days 9:30 a.m. (Vigil evening before at 7 p.m.) First Saturday of each month: Healing Mass, 9 a.m.

### CHRISTIAN

**Cornerstone Christian Church**, (Sax-on Hall) 1003 W. Pine St., Avon Park, FL 33825. Love Christ - Love People. Jon Carter, Music Minister. Sunday, 9 a.m. Bible Study; 10 a.m. Worship; Communion available each week. Wednesday, 7 p.m. Fellowship Group. For more information call 453-

7679.

**Sebring Christian Church**, 4514 Hammock Road, Sebring, FL 33872. Tod Schwingel, Preacher. Kristy Marvin, Children's Director. Sunday Worship, 9:30 a.m.; Sunday School, 11 a.m.; Wednesday night meals, 5:30 p.m. followed by classes at 6:30 p.m. Alzheimers Caregivers Support Group meets at 1 p.m. Thursdays. 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. Youth Fellowship, 7:15 p.m.

### CHRISTIAN & MISSIONARY ALLIANCE

**The Alliance Church of Sebring**, 451 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.

### 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.

**Heartland Church of Christ**, Lakeshore Mall - Suite 42 (outside entrance), 901 U.S. Highway 27 N, Sebring, FL 33870. Sunday worship, 9 a.m. to noon; Wednesday, Bible study, 7 p.m. Evangelist Carl Ford, (863) 402-2159.

**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. 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. If you need any more information, call 453-4851.

**Church of the Nazarene of Lake Placid**, 512 W. Interlake Blvd., Lake Placid, FL 33852. Adult Sunday school, 9:30 a.m.; Morning worship, 10:45 a.m.; Wednesday evening: All church meal, 6 p.m.; Christian Life Study, 6:45 p.m. Winter Life groups pending. Call 446-1339. 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.

### EPISCOPAL

**Episcopal Church of the Redeemer Avon Park**, 910 W. Martin St., Avon Park, FL 33825 (U.S. 27 across from Wells Motor Co.). Rev. Canon George Conger. Sunday services: Holy Communion at 9:30 a.m.; Bible study Wednesday at 10 a.m. Everyone is welcome. Come and worship with us; we would love to meet you. Church office, 453-5664; fax, 453-4853. Visit us at our website at redeemravonpark.com. Email redeemer1895@aol.com. Call the thrift store for hours open and donation pick up at 664-9668 or 453-5664.

**St. Agnes Episcopal Church**, 3840 Lakeview Drive, Sebring, FL 33870. Father Scott Walker. 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. Worship: Sunday, 8 a.m., 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. Sunday Bible study at 9:15 a.m. Sunday School at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday Worship 6 p.m. and Thursday 9 a.m. Holy Communion with Healing. Call the thrift store for hours open - 699-0221.

### EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH OF AMERICA

**The Church of the Way EFCA**, 1005 N. Ridgewood Drive, Sebring, Sunda1005 N. Ridgewood Drive, Sebring. Sunday school and worship service at 9 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Youth activities, 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays. The Way is a church family who gathers for contemporary worship, teaching of God's Word, prayer and fellowship. Come early and stay after for fellowship time. Child care and children's church are provided. Reinhold Buxbaum is pastor. The Way - A place for you. Office Phone: 471-6140, Church Cell Phone: 273-3674. Email: thewaychurch@hotmail.com. Web site: www.TheWayChurch.org

### GRACE BRETHREN

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

### INDEPENDENT

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

### INTERDENOMINATIONAL

**World Harvest and Restoration Ministries**, (non-denominational) 2200 N. Avon Blvd., (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. Rev. Sharon Dorr and Deacon David Thoresen will be the Spiritual Leaders, alternating Sundays. Jim Helwig, organist. Worship service with the Holy Eucharist is at 9:30 a.m. every Sunday. Birthday Sunday is the first Sunday of each month after the service. Council meeting is on the first Tuesday of each month. WELCA meets at noon second Tuesday of the month with a light lunch. Labyrinth Prayer Garden is open to the public 24 hours a day, seven days a week. When in need of prayers or to talk to God, come to the Garden. Come and grow with us; we would love to meet you and your family. Don't worry about how you look. Jesus went to the temple in a robe and sandals. Quilting classes every Monday at 6 p.m. Looking for quilters or people willing to learn. Call 840-3303.

**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 tradition-al Lutheran Liturgy, hymns and songs of praise. Fellowship time with coffee and refreshments follows worship. Come worship and fellowship with us. For information call Pastor Scott McLean at (863) 471-2663 or see christlutheranavonpark.org.

**Faith Lutheran Church - LCMS**, 2740 Lakeview Dr. Sebring; Church phone: 385-7848; Faith Child Development Center: 385-3232. Sunday Traditional Worship Service: 8 a.m.; Sunday Praise Worship Service: 10:30 a.m.; Communion served 1st, 3rd & 5th Sunday. Sunday School & Bible Classes: 9:15 a.m. Worship Svc. Broadcast at 8 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-Saturday. All are warmly welcome in the Family of Faith.

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

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

**Resurrection Lutheran Church - ELCA**, 324 E. Main St., at Memorial Drive, Avon Park. Pastor Rev. John C. Grodzinski. Sunday worship 8 and 10:30 a.m.; Sunday School at 9:15 a.m. Coffee and fellowship following 10:30 a.m. service. Wednesday Worship Service is 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 Preschool director Education Hour, 8:45 a.m.; Worship service, 10 a.m. Holy Com-

munion each first and third Sunday. Children's Church scheduled during worship service, 4-year-olds through fifth grade. Nursery provided during worship service for infants to 3-year-olds. Seasonal Mid-Week Services each Wednesday evening during Advent and Lent. Call church office at 465-5253 or visit the website at www.Trinitylutheranlp.com. Other activities and groups include: Choir; Ladies Guild and LWML; Men's Fellowship Group, Small Group Bible Studies; Trinity Tots Pre-school, and Youth Group.

### NON-DENOMINATIONAL

**Bible Fellowship Church**, 3750 Hammock Road, Sebring, FL 33872. Sunday: American Sign Language: First Worship sermon, songs signed first and second Worship services. First Worship service, 9 a.m.; Second Worship service, 10:45 a.m. Nursery (up to 2 years old) and Sunday school classes both hours. BFC Youth, 6 p.m.; Evening Service, 6 p.m. Wednesday: Children, ages 4 yrs through 5th grade, 6 p.m.; Youth, 6-7:30 p.m.; Prayer time, 6:15 p.m. Todd Patterson, pastor; Andy McQuaid, associate pastor. Web site www.bfcsebring.com. Church office 385-1024.

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

**Christian Training Ministries Inc.**, on Sebring Parkway. Enter off County Road 17 on Simpson Avenue. Sunday service is at 10 a.m.; Wednesday Bible study at 7 p.m. A nursery and children's church are provided. The church is part of Christian International Ministries Network, a full gospel, non-denominational ministry. Linda M. Downing, minister, lindadowning@live.com. Casey L. Downing, associate minister, caseydowning@hotmail.com. Church phone: 314-0482. Web site: www.ctmforme.com

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

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**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. Monday, 5:30-7:30 p.m.; Wednesday, Children's & Youth Programs, 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 8:30 p.m., College Ministry. www.GBCconnected.org

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

**New Beginnings Church of Sebring**, worshipping 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. 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.juanitafofolsomministries.com.

**Union Church**, 106 N. Butler Ave., Avon Park, FL 33825. Sunday traditional worship service is at 7:45 a.m. (October through Easter) and 9 a.m. Contemporary Sunday worship service is at 10:45 a.m. Nursery and children's church available. Wednesday night worship with Pastor Tiger Gullett and CrossTalk with Pastor Bill Breylinger at 6 p.m. Breakfast and lunch menus at Solid Grounds. Senior Pastor is Bill Breylinger. Office: 453-3345. Web page at www.weareunion.org.

**Unity Life Enrichment Centre**, new location, 10417 Orange Blossom Blvd. S., Sebring, FL 33875; 471-1122; e-mail unity@vistanet.net. Web site, www.unityofsebring.org. 10:30 a.m. Sunday Celebration Service, Nursery and Children's Church. Weekly Classes, Christian Bookstore and Cafe, Prayer Ministry, Life Enrichment Groups. Rev. Andrew C. Conyer, senior minister transforming lives from ordinary to extraordinary.

# RELIGION

## Who wants to go to Heaven?

A preacher for a frontier congregation ended a stirring sermon with, "All those who want to go to Heaven, put up your hands!" Everybody enthusiastically raised their hands. Everybody, that is, except a grizzled old cowboy who had been slouching against the door post at the back of the room.



**KEVIN'S KOMMENTS**  
Kevin Patterson

Raise your hands!"

I believe that most of us would be just as enthusiastic about our answers as the people in the story if someone asked us if we wanted to go to Heaven. Surely, there would be a chorus of people shouting, "YES!" However, Heaven is not simply the result of answering a question in the affirmative. It is the result of following the right direction in our lives.

Jesus said in Matthew 7:13-14, "Enter through the narrow gate; for the gate is wide and the way is broad that leads to destruction, and there are

many who enter through it. For the gate is small and the way is narrow that leads to life, and there are few who find it."

In other words, we have two choices of paths to follow: a way that leads to death and a way that leads to life. There is no other option.

And, just in case you are still unsure about which path to follow, listen once again to the words of Jesus in John 14:6, "Jesus said to him, 'I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father but through Me.'" Jesus is the only means by which one may enter Heaven. He is the one and only way to eternal life. So, which path are you following?

*Kevin's Komments is written by Kevin Patterson and presented by the Sebring Parkway church of Christ assembling at 3800 Sebring Parkway, Sebring, FL 33870. Find us on the internet at www.sebringcoc.com, or e-mail us at sebringparkway@sebringcoc.com. Guest columns are the opinion of the writer, not necessarily those of the News-Sun staff.*

## WINE FAMILY IN CONCERT SUNDAY IN LAKE PLACID



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The Wine Family will be in Sunday at 6 p.m. at Community Church of God, 735 S. Sun 'N Lakes Blvd. (also on C.R. 29, directly across from Lake Country Elementary School) in Lake Placid. Call the church at 454-3715.

## SNAPSHOTS RELIGION NEWS

### Spaghetti dinner set at St. John

SEBRING — St. John United Methodist Church will host a spaghetti dinner on Tuesday. Serving times are 4, 5 and 6 p.m. A limited number of walk-ins and take-outs will be available.

Tickets are \$8 each and may be reserved by calling the church office at 382-1736. The church is at 3214 Grand Prix Drive (just behind Walmart).

### Night of Prophecy set Monday

SEBRING — Pastor Reinhold Buxbaum from The Church of the Way (1005 N. Ridgewood Drive

in Sebring) will present the monthly Monday night prophesy at Homer's Restaurant, 1000 Sebring Square, Monday at 6:30 p.m. Buxbaum will take the

current events happening around the world, especially in the Middle East, and relate them to Biblical prophesy. The event is free. You can come early to eat if you wish.

## The Bear is on the move

The Bear (Russia) has recently taken over Crimea, which belonged until just a view days ago to the country of Ukraine. But did you know that "the Bear" will try to grab Israel in the not so distant future?

This is not the first time that Russia is on the move. Remember Georgia in 2008? Parts of Georgia by the names of South Ossetia and Abkhazia were invaded by Russia and separated from Georgia.

What is even more amazing is that we can know with 100 percent certainty that Russia will come South to invade Israel. How do we know that? Because the Bible tells us in Ezekiel 38-39 that in the "latter years" (expression for end times 38:8) the nation from the "Far North" (39:1) — Russia is as far north as you can get — by the name of Magog (38:1) will come down with many other nations (like Turkey and Iran 38:5-6) to invade Israel.

But why? First of all notice that none of the invading countries are next door neighbors to Israel, even though they all hate Israel. Why are Lebanon, Syria, Jordan, Egypt and Gaza

## GUEST COLUMN Reinhold Buxbaum

not mentioned in this war? Because Israel will "take care" of them in the next war, along with Iran. This war is mentioned in Psalm 83.

The surrounding nations are all mentioned by their ancient names with one goal in mind: "Come," they say, "let us destroy them as a nation, that the name of Israel be remembered no more" (Psalm 83:4 NIV). So the first reason is revenge for the nations attacked by Israel, but supported by Russia.

And secondly, even more important, the Russians want to get their hands on the "spoil" (38:13). What is the spoil? Besides the riches of the land of Israel? As you know, Israel has discovered natural gas. Lots of it. So much so that they started to sell liquified gas to Europe. That hits Russia where it hurts the most, their bottom line. Russia is the greatest exporter of natural gas to Europe. It is their biggest cash crop to the tune of \$515 billion per year.

Recently, Israel has discovered 25 trillion cubic

feet of natural gas just off the coast of Haifa and is on its way not just to be completely energy independent but also turn the gas into an income-producing export item.

When can we expect the Israeli war with Iran and Israel's neighbors? Just before Iran is ready to mount an atomic bomb on a rocket, aimed at Israel. And that will happen very soon. As the Israeli Defense Minister Moshe Ya'alon recently expressed: "Israel can no longer count on the United States." Israel will have to do it alone with a preemptive strike on Iran.

Of course, the rapture of the church can happen at any time, because the Bible does not give us any warning signs for it. All the 400 warning signs are for the second coming of Jesus at the end of the tribulation period.

One thing is for sure, we are very close to these Middle East events.

Yes, the stage is set for our rapture!

*Reinhold Buxbaum is Pastor of The Church of the Way. Guest columns are the opinion of the writer, not necessarily those of the News-Sun staff.*

## PLACES TO WORSHIP

### 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; Web site: www.cpcsebring.org. Office hours: 8:30-12:30 a.m. Monday-Friday.

**First Presbyterian Church ARP**, 215 E. Circle St., (two entrances on LaGrande), Avon Park, FL 33825. Phone: 453-3242. The Rev. Robert Johnson is the pastor. Sunday School, 9:15 a.m.; Sunday Worship, 10:45 a.m.; Wednesday Bible study, 10:30 a.m.; Potluck dinner, 6 p.m. third Wednesday; choir practice, 6 p.m. each Wednesday; Children Ministry and Youth Group, 6 p.m. each Sunday; Mary Circle business meeting, 1 p.m. second Wednesday; Sarah Circle business meeting, 4 p.m. second Thursday; Women's Ministries Combined Bible study, 4 p.m. third Thursday. Be a part of a warm, caring church family with traditional services, following biblical truth.

**First Presbyterian Church, ARP**, 319 Poinsettia Ave., Sebring, FL 33870. 385-0107. Email: faith@strato.net. Rev. Darrell A. Peer, pastor. Sunday School, all ages, 9:30 a.m.; Fellowship Time, 10:30 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. Tuesday: Youth Groups meet for devotions/Bible study, crafts, sport activities and dinner. Middle and high school, 3:30-6:30 p.m. Elementary School, 4-5:30 p.m. Wednesday: Adult Bible Study, 10:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal, 5:30 p.m. A nursery is available during worship. Call the church office for more information and other classes.

**First Presbyterian Church, ARP**, www.fpclp.com, 117 N. Oak Ave., Lake Placid, 465-2742. The Rev. Ray Cameron, senior pastor; the Rev. Drew Severance, associate pastor. Sunday Traditional Worship, 8 and 9:30 a.m.; Contemporary Worship, 11 a.m.; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m. Wednesday evenings: Adult small group Bible Study 7 p.m. (Nursery available), Youth Group (6-12th grades) 7 p.m., nursery and children's ministry, 7 p.m. Family Biblical Counseling available by appointment.

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

### SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST

**Avon Park Seventh-day Adventist Church**, 1410 West Avon Blvd., Avon Park. Phone: 453-6641 or e-mail: avonparksda@embarqmail.com, Sabbath School, 9:30 a.m. Saturday. Church Service 10:45 a.m. Saturday. Wednesday prayer meeting 7 p.m. Community Service hours on Tuesday and Thursday is from 9:00 a.m. till 2 p.m. A sale takes place the first Sunday of each month. Senior Pastor Frank Gonzalez. Walker Memorial Academy Christian School offering education for kindergarten through 12th grades. ALL ARE WELCOME. Associate Pastor is Ryan Amos. Website is www.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

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### UNITED METHODIST

**First United Methodist Church, 105 S. Pine St.**, 105 S. Pine St., Sebring, FL 33870. Pastor John A. Bryant. 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 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, Rev. Gary Pendrak, Pastor. Sunday School - 9 a.m., Worship - 10:30 a.m. Bible study every Wednesday at 6 p.m. Visit us at our church website: www.fumcap.org.

**Memorial United Methodist Church**, 500 Kent Ave., (overlooking Lake Clay) Lake Placid, FL, 33852. Rev. 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 or call the church office at 465-2422. Lakeview Christian School, VPK to Grade 5, 465-0313.

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

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

### UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

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## New Life Evangelical Lutheran Church

SEBRING — Pastor Luke John Willitz will preach from John 11:17-27, 38-45 on Sunday.

The theme is "I am the resurrection and the life."

New Life Evangelical Lutheran Church (ELS/WELS) is at 3725 Hammock Road.

## SNAPSHOTS CHURCH SERVICES

### Parkway Free Will Baptist Church

SEBRING — The Sunday morning Bible lesson, "The Cleansing of the Temple," is taken from Isaiah 56, Zechariah 6, and John 19. Pastor Jim Scaggs will bring the message. The church is at 3413

Sebring Parkway. Call 382-3552.

### St. John United Methodist Church

SEBRING — On Sunday, Pastor Ronald De Genaro Jr.'s sermon topic will be "The Anointed One." Biblical reference is from Luke 4:16-30. Communion will be served.

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Name	Address
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The date of first publication of this Notice is March 28, 2014.

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/s/ Lucy A. Reinsmith  
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**1050 Legals**

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NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION

I, Ken Detzner, Secretary of State of the State of Florida, do hereby give notice that a GENERAL ELECTION will be held in HIGHLANDS County, State of Florida, on the FOURTH day of NOVEMBER, 2014, A.D., to fill or retain the following offices:

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Florida Cabinet - Lieutenant Governor  
Florida Cabinet - Attorney General  
Florida Cabinet - Chief Financial Officer  
Florida Cabinet - Commissioner of Agriculture  
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State Representative: District 55  
Second District Court of Appeal: Retention of Three Judges  
Circuit Judge, Tenth Judicial Circuit: Groups 2, 5, 8, 16, 18, 19, 21, 23, 24, 25 and 26  
County Judge: Group 1  
School Board: Districts 1, 4 and 5  
County Commissioner: Districts 2 and 4  
Highlands Soil and Water Conservation District: Groups 3 and 4  
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**1050 Legals**

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY

GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION  
CASE NO. 13000919GCAXMX  
REAL ESTATE MORTGAGE NETWORK, INC., Plaintiff,  
vs.  
ROY ROBERT ADCOCK, A/K/A ROY ROBER ADCOCK, et al., Defendants.

NOTICE OF ACTION  
To: ROY ROBERT ADCOCK A/K/A ROY ROBER ADCOCK, 1916 SPARTA CIRCLE, SEBRING, FL 33870  
ROSA ISELA FLORES-ADCOCK F/K/A ROSA ISELA FLORES-GUTIERREZ A/K/A ROSA FLORES, 1916 SPARTA CIR, SEBRING, FL 33875

LAST KNOWN ADDRESS STATED, CURRENT RESIDENCE UNKNOWN

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose Mortgage covering the following real and personal property described as follows, to-wit:

LOT 31, OF SPARTA HEIGHTS SUBDIVISION, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 8, PAGE 12, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Sara Collins, McCalla Raymer, LLC, 225 E. Robinson St. Suite 660, Orlando, FL 32801 and file the original with the Clerk of the above-styled Court on or before 30 days from the first publication, otherwise a Judgment may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

WITNESS my hand and seal of said Court on the 31st day of March, 2014.

13-08082-1  
April 4, 11, 2014

**1050 Legals**

**\*\*OFFICIAL\*\***

AVISO DE ELECCIONES GENERALES

Yo, Ken Detzner, Secretario de Estado del Estado de la Florida, por el presente notifico que se llevarán a cabo ELECCIONES GENERALES en el Condado de HIGHLANDS, Estado de la Florida, el día CUATRO de NOVIEMBRE de 2014 d. C., para determinar la ocupación o la retención de los siguientes cargos:

Representante ante el Congreso: distrito 17  
Gabinete de la Florida - Gobernador  
Gabinete de la Florida - Vicegobernador  
Gabinete de la Florida - Procurador General  
Gabinete de la Florida - Funcionario Principal de Finanzas  
Gabinete de la Florida - Comisionado de Agricultura  
Senador Estatal: distrito 26  
Representante Estatal: distrito 55  
Tribunal de Apelaciones del 2.º Distrito: retención de 3 jueces  
Juez del Circuito, 10.º Circuito Judicial: grupos 2, 5, 8, 16, 18, 19, 21, 23, 24, 25 y 26  
Juez del Condado: grupo 1  
Junta Escolar: distritos 1, 4 y 5  
Comisionado del Condado: distritos 2 y 4  
Distrito de Conservación de Tierra y Agua de Highlands: grupos 3 y 4  
Distrito para la Mejora de Spring Lake: escaños 4 y 5  
Distrito para la Mejora de Sun 'N Lake de Sebring: 1 miembro

**1050 Legals**

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA  
CASE NO.: 10-316-GCS

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., Plaintiff,  
vs.  
AVIS ELAINE NEMBHARD F/K/A AVIS SMITH A/K/A AVIS ELAINE SMITH; LORETTA HEADLEY; TRIVON TAYLOR; et al., Defendants).

NOTICE OF ACTION  
TO: Unknown Spouse of Trivon Taylor  
Last Known Residence: 4931 NW 18th Street, Lauderhill, FL 33313  
Unknown Spouse of Avis Elaine Nembhard F/K/A Avis Smith A/K/A Avis Elaine Smith N/K/A Hurton Nembhard  
Last Known Residence: 6646 NW 4th Street, Margate, FL 33063

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

LOT 9, BLOCK 731, SUN N LAKE ESTATE OF SEBRING, UNIT 25R1, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 15, PAGE 59, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Aldridge Connors, LLP, Plaintiff's attorney, at 1615 South Congress Avenue, Suite 200, Delray Beach, FL 33445 (Phone Number: 561-392-6391), within 30 days of the first date of publication of this notice, and file the original with the clerk of this court either before May 2, 2014 on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint or petition.

Dated on March 26, 2014  
Robert W. Germaine, Clerk  
As Clerk of the Court  
By: /s/ Toni Kopp  
As Deputy Clerk  
1092-6040B  
April 4, 11, 2014

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA  
PROBATE DIVISION  
FILE NO. 14-CP-92

IN RE: ESTATE OF LINSLEY OSMOND WALKER A/K/A LINDSLEY WALKER Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
The administration of the estate of LINSLEY OSMOND WALKER A/K/A LINDSLEY WALKER, deceased, whose date of death was May 10, 2013; File Number 14-CP-92, is pending in the Circuit Court for Highlands County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 430 South Commerce Avenue, Sebring, FL 33870. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

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 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 March 28, 2014.

GLADYS WALKER  
Personal Representative  
704 West State Street  
Avon Park, FL 33825

Derek B. Alvarez, Esquire - FBN: 114278  
dba@gendersalvarez.com  
Anthony F. Diecidue, Esquire - FBN: 146528  
afd@gendersalvarez.com  
GENDERS - ALVAREZ - DIECIDUE, P.A.  
2307 West Cleveland Street  
Tampa, Florida 33609  
Phone: (813)254-4744 Fax:

**1050 Legals**

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA  
CIVIL ACTION  
CASE NO.: 14000092GCAXMX  
U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR THE HOLDERS OF THE BANC OF AMERICA FUNDING CORPORATION, 2008-FT1 TRUST, MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2008-FT1, Plaintiff,  
vs.  
KAMPAN FARNAM, et al., Defendant(s)

NOTICE OF ACTION  
FORECLOSURE PROCEEDINGS-PROPERTY TO:  
UNKNOWN HEIRS OF JAMES E. FARNAM  
ADDRESS UNKNOWN

Residence unknown and if living, including any unknown spouse of the Defendant, if remarried and if said Defendant is dead, his/her respective unknown heirs, devisees, grantees, assignees, creditors, lienors, and trustees, and all other persons claiming by, through, under or against the named Defendant; and the aforementioned named Defendant and such of the aforementioned unknown Defendant and such of the unknown name Defendant as may be infants, incompetents or otherwise not sui juris.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose a mortgage on the following described property to-wit:

LOT 450 AND LOT 451, OF AVON PARK LAKES UNIT NO. 1, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 4, PAGE 88, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.

more commonly known as: 1730 N VALENCIA DRIVE, AVON PARK, FL 33825

This action has been filed against you, and you are required to serve a copy of your written defense, if any, to it on the Plaintiff's attorney, FLORIDA FORECLOSURE ATTORNEYS, PLLC, whose address is 601 Cleveland Street, Suite 690, Clearwater, FL 33755, on or before 30 days after date of first publication, response due by May 2, 2014, and file the original with the Clerk of the Circuit Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of this Court on this 21st day of March, 2014.

ROBERT W. GERMAINE, CLERK  
Clerk of the Court  
Highlands County, Florida  
By: /s/ Toni Kopp  
Deputy Clerk  
CA13-07431/NN  
April 4, 11, 2014

**1050 Legals**

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA  
PROBATE DIVISION  
Ref. No. : 2014-0081  
Division Probate

IN RE: ESTATE OF PHILLIP GORDON MITCHELL, Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
The administration of the estate of PHILLIP GORDON MITCHELL, deceased, whose date of death was January 15, 2014, is pending in the Circuit Court for Highlands County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 590 South Commerce Ave., 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 ON OR BEFORE THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

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

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

NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME 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 April 4, 2014.

Personal Representative:  
Sharon L. Jill  
2827 St. Croix Drive  
Clearwater, FL 33759

Attorney for Personal Representative:  
RICHARD D. GREEN, ESQ.  
Fl Bar 205877  
rdgreen@greenlawoffices.net  
1010 Drew Street  
Clearwater, FL 33755  
(727) 441-8813  
April 4, 11, 2014

**1050 Legals**

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA  
CASE NUMBER: 13-603 GCS  
HIGHLANDS INDEPENDENT BANK, a Florida banking corporation, Plaintiff,  
vs.  
JAMES B. BUSH and LAUREN D. BUSH, Husband and Wife, if alive and if not, their unknown spouse, heirs, devisees, grantees, assignees, creditors, or other parties claiming by, through, under or against JAMES B. BUSH and LAURNE D. BUSH, and all claimants under any of such party; and CAPITAL ONE BANK (USA), N.A., a national banking corporation; whether dissolved or presently existing, together with any grantees, assignees, successors, creditors, lienors, or trustees of said defendant(s) and all other persons claiming by, through, under, or against Defendant(s); Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE  
Notice is hereby given that pursuant to a final judgment of foreclosure entered in the above- titled cause in the Circuit Court of Highlands County, Florida, I will sell the property situated in Highlands County, Florida, described as:

The Property: 20 Dasher Road, Lake Placid, FL 33852  
Tract 4, of LAKE PEARL ESTATES, Lot 8, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 76, of the Public Records of Highlands County, Florida.

Real Property Tax I.D. #C-06-37-30-050-0040-0000  
at public sale, to the highest and best bidder for cash, in the Jury Assembly Room in the basement of the Highlands County Courthouse located at 430 South Commerce Avenue, in Sebring, Florida at 11:00 A.M. on the 30th day of April, 2014.

SIGNED this 28th day of March, 2014.  
(SEAL) ROBERT W. GERMAINE  
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT  
By: /s/ Toni Kopp  
Deputy Clerk  
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, (941) 534-4690, within two (2) working days of publication of this Notice of Sale; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call TDD (941) 534-7777 or Florida Relay Service (800) 955-8770.  
10-4405-022  
April 4, 11, 2014

**1050 Legals**

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA  
CASE NUMBER: GC 13-535  
HIGHLANDS INDEPENDENT BANK, a Florida banking corporation, Plaintiff,  
vs.  
GERALDINE CAMERON, a single woman; if living including any unknown spouse of said Defendant, if remarried, and if deceased, the respective unknown heirs, devisees, grantees, assignees, creditors, lienors, and trustees, and all other persons claiming by, through, under or against the named Defendant(s); ASSET ACCEPTANCE, LLC, a Delaware corporation; whether dissolved or presently existing, together with any grantees, assignees, successors, creditors, lienors, or trustees of said defendant(s) and all other persons claiming by, through, under, or against Defendant(s); and UNKNOWN TENANT #1, UNKNOWN TENANT #2, the names being fictitious to account for parties in possession; Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE  
Notice is hereby given that pursuant to a final judgment of foreclosure entered in the above- titled cause in the Circuit Court of Highlands County, Florida, I will sell the property situated in Highlands County, Florida, described as:

The Property: a/k/a 124 Washington Blvd., Lake Placid, FL 33852  
Lot 13, Block 9, of HIGHLANDS PARK ESTATE SECTION 8, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 4, Page 68, Public Records of Highlands County, Florida.

Parcel I.D. C-20-36-30-020-0090-0130  
at public sale, to the highest and best bidder for cash, in the Jury Assembly Room in the basement of the Highlands County Courthouse located at 430 South Commerce Avenue, in Sebring, Florida at 11:00 A.M. on the 30th day of April, 2014.

SIGNED this 28th day of March, 2014.  
(SEAL) ROBERT W. GERMAINE  
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT  
By: /s/ Toni Kopp  
Deputy Clerk  
April 4, 11, 2014

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA  
PROBATE DIVISION  
FILE NO. PC 14-90  
Division Probate

IN RE: ESTATE OF LOIS A. CRAMMER 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 LOIS A. CRAMMER, deceased, File Number PC 14-90, by the Circuit Court for HIGHLANDS County, Florida,

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If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the Office of the Court Administrator, (941) 534-4690, within two (2) working days of publication of this Notice of Sale; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call TDD (941) 534-7777 or Florida Relay Service (800) 955-8770.

10-4402-030

April 4, 11, 2014

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT  
HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA  
PROBATE DIVISION  
FILE NO. PC 14-100  
Division Probate

IN RE: ESTATE OF  
DONALD L. JONES  
a.k.a. DONALD LEE JONES  
Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of DONALD L. JONES a.k.a DONALD LEE JONES, deceased, whose date of death was January 29, 2014, and whose social security number is XXX-XX-9551, 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 March 28, 2014.

Personal Representative:  
/s/ Shirley Traci a.k.a. Shirlee Tracy  
1635 Melaleuca Lane  
Ft. Myers, Florida 33901

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

March 28; April 4, 2014

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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, 590 South Commerce Ave., Sebring, FL 33870 (863) 402-6565 at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled court appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call (TDD) (1-800-955-8771) or Voice (V) (1-800-955-8770)."

ROBERT W. GERMAINE, CLERK  
DATED THIS 3RD DAY OF MARCH, 2014.  
ROBERT W. GERMAINE, CLERK

By: /s/ Lisa J. Bass  
Deputy Clerk  
Seal)

(Clerk's Seal)

March 28; April 4, 11, 18, 2014

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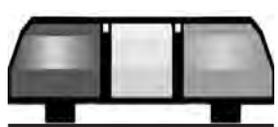
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION FILE NO. PC 14-102

IN RE: ESTATE OF STEPHEN M. SENTERS 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 STEPHEN M. SENTERS, deceased, File Number PC 14-102, by the Circuit Court for Highlands County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 430 S. Commerce Avenue, Sebring, Florida 33870; that the decedent's date of death was May 24, 2013; that the total value of the estate is \$15,000.00 and that the name and address of those to whom it has been assigned by such order is Brian M. Senters, 411 Lynch Street, Flint, Michigan 48503.

ALL INTERESTED PARTIES 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 March 28, 2014.

Attorney for Person Giving Notice  
Charlotte C. Stone  
Attorney for Petitioner  
Florida Bar Number: 21297  
3200 US Hwy 27 S., Suite 307  
Sebring, FL 33870  
Telephone: (863) 402-5424  
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March 28; April 4, 2014

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA JUVENILE DIVISION CASE NO. JP13-000474-XX

IN THE INTEREST OF:  
Z.T.  
07/13/2011

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

THE STATE OF FLORIDA TO:  
THOMAS HENRY THOMPSON: DOB: 4/16/1957  
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:

Z.T.  
a white female child  
born July 13, 2011  
mother - Cara Anne Parnell

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 30th day of April, 2014 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 CHILDREN 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. If you are a person with a disability

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**Five-Day forecast for Highlands County**

TODAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY
Warm with a blend of sun and clouds	Partly sunny, warm and humid	Times of clouds and sun	An afternoon thunderstorm possible	Mostly cloudy, t-storms possible
<b>87° / 65°</b>	<b>87° / 66°</b>	<b>88° / 67°</b>	<b>89° / 69°</b>	<b>82° / 64°</b>
Winds: S at 6-12 mph	Winds: SSW at 4-8 mph	Winds: SSE at 4-8 mph	Winds: SSW at 10-20 mph	Winds: SW at 10-20 mph



**Almanac**

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

High Sunday	78°
Low Sunday	41°
High Monday	78°
Low Monday	42°
High Tuesday	84°
Low Tuesday	45°
High Wednesday	85°
Low Wednesday	47°

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

Relative humidity	41%
Expected air temperature	86°
Makes it feel like	86°

**Barometer**

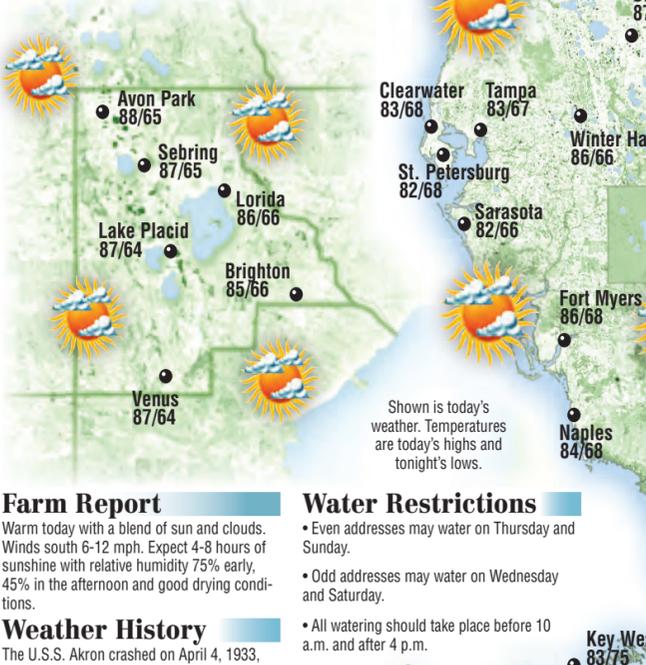
Monday	30.11
Tuesday	30.14
Wednesday	30.09

**Precipitation**

Monday	0.00"
Tuesday	0.00"
Wednesday	0.00"
Month to date	0.00"
Year to date	7.01"

**Regional Summary**

Warm today with a blend of sun and clouds. Partly cloudy and mild tonight. Partly sunny, humid and remaining warm tomorrow. Sunday: clouds and sun. Monday: a thunderstorm possible in the afternoon.



**Farm Report**

Warm today with a blend of sun and clouds. Winds south 6-12 mph. Expect 4-8 hours of sunshine with relative humidity 75% early, 45% in the afternoon and good drying conditions.

**Weather History**

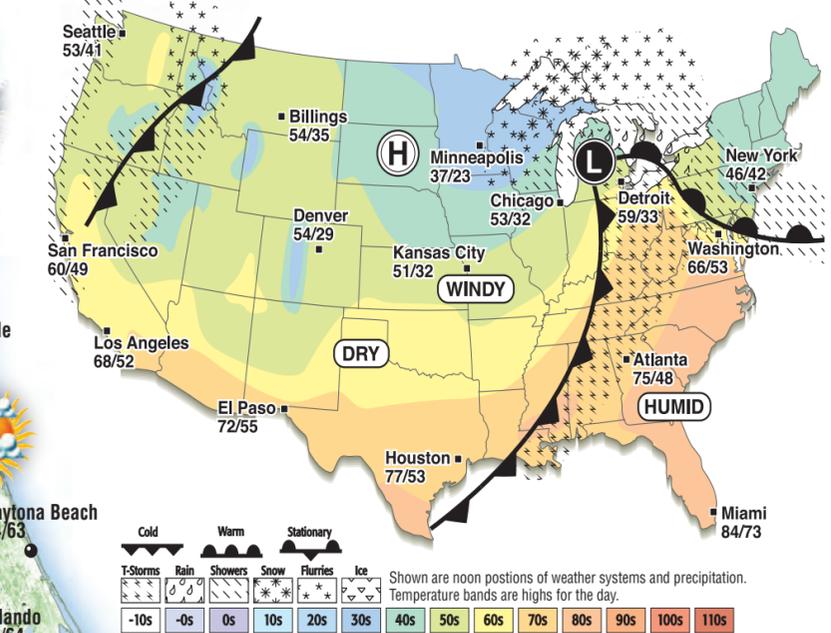
The U.S.S. Akron crashed on April 4, 1933, during a wind-whipped storm near Barnegat Light, N.J. Fog-induced collisions, icebergs and storms have sunk many ships.

**Sun and Moon**

	Today	Saturday
Sunrise	7:14 a.m.	7:13 a.m.
Sunset	7:44 p.m.	7:45 p.m.
Moonrise	10:51 a.m.	11:40 a.m.
Moonset	none	12:35 a.m.



**National Forecast for April 4**



**National Summary**

A cold front associated with a powerful storm system will slice through the East today. Strong thunderstorms will ignite out ahead of the front from Cleveland, Ohio, to Chattanooga, Tenn., as warm and moist air surges in. Rain will fall across parts of the mid-Atlantic. Thunderstorms will also extend into the South but are not expected to be as strong. Cold air will sink in behind the system and will bring heavy snow to Wisconsin and parts of Michigan. While this storm impacts the East, rain will move into the West.

**U.S. Cities**

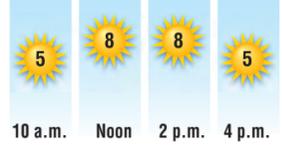
City	Today	Sat.	Sun.	City	Today	Sat.	Sun.
Albuquerque	62/44/s	63/39/pc	61/38/pc	Los Angeles	68/52/pc	71/55/s	77/57/s
Atlanta	75/48/t	70/49/pc	65/56/r	Louisville	69/38/t	59/39/s	68/46/pc
Baltimore	61/47/r	64/37/pc	60/38/s	Memphis	68/45/s	63/47/s	67/52/r
Birmingham	76/46/t	67/48/s	65/56/r	Milwaukee	48/29/sh	45/31/s	48/34/pc
Boston	44/39/c	56/38/pc	56/39/pc	Minneapolis	37/23/sn	46/38/s	48/36/pc
Charlotte	81/54/t	72/44/pc	67/48/c	Nashville	72/42/t	61/42/s	69/49/c
Cheyenne	51/29/s	52/31/pc	50/29/c	New Orleans	79/59/t	68/60/t	80/66/r
Chicago	53/32/sh	50/31/s	55/37/pc	New York City	46/42/r	62/40/pc	56/41/pc
Cleveland	66/37/r	45/30/pc	53/37/pc	Norfolk	78/60/c	70/45/pc	55/45/s
Columbus	71/39/r	54/35/pc	61/42/s	Oklahoma City	62/40/s	67/44/pc	59/44/r
Dallas	68/46/s	69/50/t	62/48/r	Philadelphia	50/44/r	64/38/pc	61/45/s
Denver	54/29/s	54/31/pc	55/29/c	Phoenix	78/57/s	77/58/s	82/60/s
Detroit	59/33/r	48/31/pc	51/36/s	Pittsburgh	70/42/r	50/30/pc	61/37/pc
Harrisburg	55/47/r	57/32/pc	61/36/s	Portland, ME	41/35/pc	50/31/r	48/29/c
Honolulu	85/70/pc	84/70/pc	82/69/pc	Portland, OR	55/45/r	57/46/r	60/47/r
Houston	77/53/pc	67/57/t	73/55/r	Raleigh	85/56/pc	72/44/pc	65/47/pc
Indianapolis	60/33/t	53/36/s	60/42/pc	Rochester	52/39/r	41/26/c	51/32/pc
Jackson, MS	75/47/t	69/53/pc	68/57/r	St. Louis	55/34/pc	58/41/s	63/44/c
Kansas City	51/32/c	59/41/s	60/43/c	San Francisco	60/49/c	63/49/r	69/51/s
Lexington	70/36/t	56/37/s	65/46/pc	Seattle	53/41/r	55/43/r	56/45/r
Little Rock	67/42/s	65/45/s	64/49/r	Wash., DC	66/53/r	65/39/pc	65/43/s

**World Cities**

City	Today	Sat.	Sun.	City	Today	Sat.	Sun.
Acapulco	91/70/s	89/71/s	89/70/s	London	64/45/pc	62/54/sh	61/54/r
Athens	71/59/c	69/54/c	69/53/pc	Montreal	45/37/r	43/30/c	46/32/pc
Beirut	68/55/s	73/62/pc	85/62/pc	Moscow	39/20/sf	38/27/pc	49/33/c
Berlin	61/42/pc	64/46/pc	66/51/pc	Nice	67/57/sh	69/57/s	70/56/s
Bermuda	72/64/sh	73/65/pc	72/64/c	Ottawa	40/33/r	42/26/r	49/35/pc
Calgary	47/25/c	48/31/pc	48/30/pc	Quebec	39/30/pc	37/30/c	41/27/pc
Dublin	54/45/s	58/51/sh	59/44/r	Rio de Janeiro	82/73/sh	83/72/s	85/72/s
Edmonton	42/22/c	43/25/pc	47/29/s	Seoul	54/35/pc	56/36/pc	57/36/s
Freeport	80/70/pc	80/71/pc	82/73/pc	Singapore	91/79/t	88/79/t	91/79/t
Geneva	65/52/c	59/46/r	67/44/c	Sydney	77/64/sh	79/64/sh	77/63/pc
Havana	90/63/s	92/65/s	92/67/s	Toronto	51/31/r	42/28/c	51/29/pc
Hong Kong	76/67/c	75/67/pc	71/69/sh	Vancouver	53/42/r	50/43/r	52/45/r
Jerusalem	64/51/s	74/57/s	81/61/s	Vienna	72/49/s	70/48/s	68/54/s
Johannesburg	73/52/t	72/50/pc	71/48/pc	Warsaw	54/33/s	55/33/s	62/43/c
Kiev	52/30/pc	47/28/s	55/38/s	Winnipeg	32/21/pc	37/25/sf	37/25/pc

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