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Driver takes plea deal in fatal wreck

BY PHIL ATTINGER
Staff Writer

Sentenced to 10 years in prison

SEBRING — Nicholas Steven Fox, 33, of Fort Lauderdale has taken a plea deal in a 2012 traffic homicide case.

At approximately 6:30 p.m. March 28, 2012, Fox's GMC Envoy SUV swerved out of control while southbound on U.S. 27, crossed a curbed me-

dian near Alan Jay Automotive Headquarters, hit a raised concrete drain, went airborne and landed on top of a northbound Ford Focus. Peggy Sue Roaf, 52, of Sebring was killed instantly by the impact, accident investigation reports said.

He pleaded no contest to vehicular homicide on

Monday, March 31, and was sentenced to 10 years in prison, five years probation and a lifetime driver's license suspension, said Assistant State Attorney Richard Castillo.

Castillo expressed cynicism as to whether a lifetime suspension would keep Fox off the road.

"He didn't have a (valid) driver's license the day of the wreck," Castillo said.

The State Attorney's Office opted to try Fox on only the vehicular homicide charge. There was an additional charge of driving on a suspended license resulting in death, but that charge would have been double jeopardy and

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Christopher Tuffley/News-Sun file photo

Nicholas Steven Fox will serve 10 years in prison after pleading no contest to vehicular homicide for this rash on U.S. 27 on March 28, 2012, that killed Peggy Sue Roaf, 52, of Sebring.

Fruit drop not as bad as last year

Still expected to be at least 20-25 percent of crop

BY BARRY FOSTER
News-Sun correspondent

SEBRING — As local citrus growers await the latest numbers from the U.S. Department of Agriculture, they say fruit drop continues to be a problem this harvesting season, saying it could be as high as 20-25 percent of this year's crop.

"I think it is a serious problem in some blocks but some blocks are faring better than others," said Highlands County Citrus Growers Association Executive Director Ray Royce. "It doesn't appear to be as bad across the board as it was a year ago."

Determining why it's happening is another matter altogether.

Although the citrus greening disease has been an increasing concern, Royce said there is a variety of other factors.

"Greening certainly gets most of the blame, but I think growers are wondering if it might actually be a combination of things," he said.

Royce explained the presence of greening exacerbates any stress on the trees. Stress factors include such things as the levels of water, herbicides and other chemicals, and weather factors.

"For instance, we had

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'We walk for them'



Samantha Gholar/News Sun

First time Relay for Life participant Larua Jenkins (center) cheerfully leads a pack of Relayers Friday evening around the track at Roger Scarborough Memorial Field in Lake Placid. Jenkins joined the First Baptist Church of Lake Placid's Relay team in order to spread awareness and honor survivors.

Lake Placid Relay for Life draws survivors, supporters

BY SAMANTHA GHOLAR
Staff Writer

LAKE PLACID — "We walk for our dad. He's a cancer survivor," said Nancy Santana. "His name is Benjamin, he is 68 years old and he was diagnosed with prostate cancer in 2009."

Santana and her sister, Sandra Padilla, were part of the Glades Electric team, one of several that circled the Roger Scarborough Memorial Field Friday evening for the American Cancer Society's annual Relay for Life.

Though Benjamin Santana resides one county away, the sis-

ters spend a great deal of time caring for, supporting and helping their father in any way possible.

"He's doing so well. He just got back from the doctor the last week of March and he is clear.

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Deputies seeking info on homicide

BY PHIL ATTINGER
Staff Writer

LAKE PLACID — Deputies went out to investigate a 911 call a week ago about a man with head injury lying on the ground.

The man was rushed to the hospital, but died. Now deputies want to know who fatally injured him and how.

Highlands County Sheriff's deputies found the man at approximately 11 p.m. March 28. He was badly injured and lying on a dirt trail behind Lupita Grocery in Lake Placid. The victim, whose identity has not been released by investigators, was airlifted to Lee Memorial Hospital, where he later died from his injuries.

Nell Hays, public information officer for the Sheriff's Office, said the man was a migrant worker from Mexico, and deputies want to be certain family has been notified of his death before his name is published.

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Teachers teaching teachers

BY PHIL ATTINGER
Staff Writer

Local educators grow professional development program

SEBRING — It started with a conference and an idea: Have teachers show teachers how to improve their teaching.

It has grown into a local movement that, at a national conference in February, had educators from Los Angeles,

Chicago and New York City asking to talk with "the people from Highlands County" to learn how they can collaborate within their school dis-

tricts to improve teaching skills.

It's called "Elevating and Celebrating Effective Teaching and Teachers," or ECET2. District reading content specialist Kim Ervin and Woodlawn fifth grade teacher John Spencer attended the national conference

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Phil Attinger/News-Sun

Woodlawn Elementary School reading coach Cheryl Vermilye (center) talks about her school's echniques under the Elevating and Celebrating Effective Teaching and Teachers program. Vermilye, along with International Baccalaureate English teacher Holly Rapp at Sebring High, wrote a \$35,000 grant application to the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation to host a conference on the program this fall.

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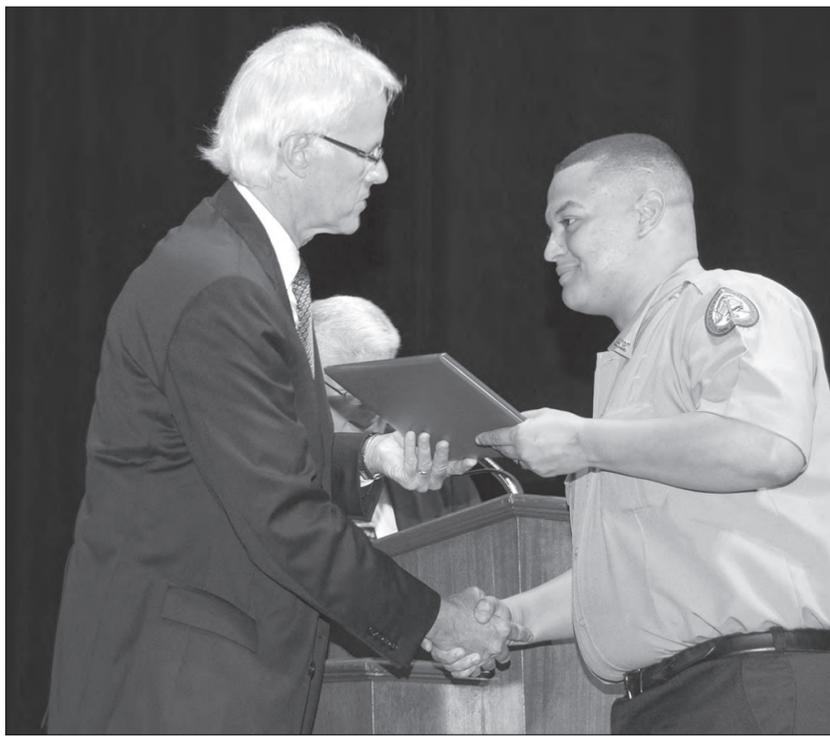
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SFSC'S BASIC LAW ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM GRADUATES 14 IN CLASS 240



Courtesy photo

Dr. Tom Leitzel (left), president of South Florida State College, presents a Basic Law Enforcement occupational certificate to DeJung Magnum during the graduation ceremony for Basic Law Enforcement Academy Class 240 on Wednesday. Other graduates of Class 240 were Damien Christophers, Volney Glenn, Jason Guaba, Trenton Haralson, Daniel Lamarre, Joshua Lewis, DeJung Mangum, Amber White, Robert Wiggins, Matthew Wilson, Robert Wright, Tynique Green, and Cale Whitlock. SFSC's Basic Law Enforcement program trains students to become law enforcement officers in Florida by passing the state certification exam. For more information about the Basic Law Enforcement program, call SFSC's Criminal Justice Academy at 784-7280, or email publicservice@southflorida.edu.

Convicted felon found with weapons, drugs

BY PHIL ATTINGER
Staff Writer

SEBRING — Sheriff's deputies arrested a convicted felon Thursday after serving a search warrant at his house and finding weapons and drugs, including handguns, pills and possible methamphetamine.

David Lozano Jr., 22, of 1322 Citrus Drive in Sebring, has been charged with possession of a weapon or ammunition by a felon, grand theft of a firearm, two counts of possession of a controlled substance without a prescription, possession of marijuana with intent to sell or deliver, possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of methamphetamine, either 14 or more grams or trafficking.

Lozano was found guilty of robbery with a firearm on Feb. 8, 2007,

and found guilty of possession of a firearm by a convicted felon on Feb. 13, 2010, reports said. Under Florida law, he is not allowed to own a firearm, ammunition, illegal drugs or drug paraphernalia.

Highlands County Sheriff's deputies served a search warrant on Lozano's house at 9:01 a.m. Thursday and found:

- A Lorcin 9mm semi-automatic handgun with chrome-color finish and black grips.
- A Jennings .22-caliber J22 semi-automatic handgun with black finish, confirmed to be stolen.
- Three rounds of .40-caliber ammunition.
- Nine rounds of 9mm ammunition.
- Forty-one rounds of .22-caliber ammunition.
- One Vibertrek stun

weapon, colored pink.

- Approximately 306 grams of a green leafy substance that field-tested positive for cannabis.
 - Approximately 24 grams of a hard crystallized substance that field-tested positive for methamphetamine.
 - Two Xanax pills.
 - Several plastic baggies, scales and spoons with residue and smoking devices.
- Reports said one of the guns had a round in the chamber and four rounds in the magazine. Reports also said that the baggies were near the cannabis near an electronic scale, such as would be used for packaging.

Lozano was questioned by deputies and made a statement, but that statement was redacted from reports.

Pool contractor facing more fraud, theft charges

BY PHIL ATTINGER
Staff Writer

SEBRING — Jim Williams Terry, 53, of Jim Terry Pools is already facing charges of fraud and grand theft from a Lorida customer, but he has two other cases levied against him, too.

Those cases involve pools not installed or not completed at two Sebring homes. In all cases, charges were filed and Terry arrested on Tuesday. Names of victims, although available in reports, are not being used to protect their privacy.

According to one arrest report from the Highlands County Sheriff's Office, a customer contracted Terry in June 2013 and handed him a check to start work at a home on U.S. 98 in Sebring.

On Oct. 1, 2013, concrete was poured for the pool. The customer, at Terry's request, issued a check to him for concrete to pour the inner walls of the pool and the pool patio.

This \$3,500 check was only meant to be issued after the concrete work was done, reports said, but the check was cashed and the concrete never ordered or poured.

On Oct. 22, the customer received a "notice to owner" from Jahna Concrete that Terry had not paid for the concrete.

At the other home on Jackson Heights Drive, the homeowner had contracted Terry last year to install a pool heater with accessories on an existing pool. He paid Terry \$3,594.13 for the work, including parts and labor, on Nov. 11,

2013, arrest reports said.

Reports said the check was cashed the next day, and after several attempts to get the work done, the customer was told many different excuses for why Terry couldn't get the work done.

An existing case involves a contract on Nov. 5, 2013, to install a pool on Sunnyside Drive in Lorida.

The customer had written Terry a check, but no work was done until three weeks later on Nov. 27, when Terry had the pool dug.

While there, he asked for an additional \$4,632, which according to contract, wasn't supposed to be done until steel work was complete. Steel work didn't start until two days later and was never finished, reports said.

Benton to speak to Democratic Party

SEBRING — Highlands County Sheriff Susan Benton will speak at the Monday meeting of the Highlands County Democratic Party.

Meetings are held the first Monday of the month at 6:30 p.m. at party headquarters, 4216 Sebring Parkway, beside Ruby Tuesday. The public is welcome to attend.

Are you divorced? Separated?

LAKE PLACID — People who are divorced or separated are invited to join a group and make a new network of friends who experience similar feelings and who accept you where you are at this point of your life.

The program starts at 7 p.m. Thursday, May 1 and runs on consecutive Thursdays through June 26. It will be held at St. James Catholic Church, 3380 Placid View Drive, Lake Placid. The cost is \$15 (stipends available.) All faiths are welcome.

For more information or to sign up, call 699-2788 or 633-8142.

LP Chamber luncheon set

LAKE PLACID — The Greater Lake Placid Chamber of Commerce Membership Luncheon will take place at 11:45 a.m. Wednesday at the Lake Placid Camp & Conference Center. A presentation will be made by Highlands County Property Appraiser Raymond McIntyre, CFA.

The luncheon is sponsored by MidFlorida Credit Union. Cost is \$10 per person. Make reservations to chamber@lpfla.com or call the chamber at 465-4331 no later than noon Monday. This event is open to chamber members and their guests only.

Texas Hold'em benefits Project Graduation

SEBRING — Sponsors are needed for a Texas Hold'em Tournament to be held Saturday, May 3 at Cowpoke's Watering Hole. This is a tournament to support Avon Park High School Project Graduation.

Entry fee is \$50 and includes lunch. Registration begins at 10 a.m. Top 15 guaranteed prizes.

To play or sponsor a table, contact Amy Guerndt at 443-1133 or Doreen Pearlman at 443-0602.

SNAPSHOTS

LOCAL NEWS

Gem and Mineral Club meets Tuesday

SEBRING — The Highlands Gem and Mineral Club will hold its meeting at the church of Christ, 3800 Sebring Parkway, in the rear fellowship hall at 7 p.m. Tuesday.

This club is open to all who are interested in the fields of earth science, mineral collecting, lapidary arts and fossils. There are no dues or membership fees.

The birthstone for April is a girl's best friend — diamonds. Known for its exceptional luster and brilliant fire, the diamond is the most highly prized of all gems.

A special assignment was for members to give brief presentations of the rock, gem or mineral, which happen to be the symbol of their respective home or adopted state.

Joe DePietro, long-time member and opal expert, will speak on another of his favorite subjects: oil shale and its importance today. Carolyn Beahm and daughter Pat will also regale members with their recent trip to China.

For more information, call 453-7054.

MARSP meets Tuesday

AVON PARK — The Michigan Association of Retired School Personnel (MARSP) will meet at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday in the conference room of the Avon Park Library on Museum Street off Main Street. This will be the final meeting of this season to go over the year in review and plan for the meetings in 2015.

All retired school personnel from Michigan are invited to attend. Call 655-6825 with questions or suggestions for next season (January through April 2015).

Week of the Child recognized

AVON PARK — Week of the Young Child, held April 6-12, is a time to recognize the needs of young children and thank the adults involved in their education and care. Parents, teachers, caregivers and other adults play an important role in the lives of young children, and Week of the Young Child celebrates their efforts.

Week of the Young Child is a time to remind all that early years are learning years.

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LOTTO

Wednesday, April 2
13-23-38-41-45-48 X-2
Saturday's Jackpot:
\$30 million

POWERBALL

Wednesday, April 2
8-13-19-22-53 PB-24 X-2
Saturday's Jackpot:
\$70 million

MEGA MONEY

Friday, April 4
10-16-17-38 PB-4
Tuesday's Jackpot: \$1 million

MEGA MILLIONS

Friday, April 4
1-10-15-41-54 PB-9 X-2
Tuesday's Jackpot: \$15 million

CASH 3

Thursday, April 3
Day: 6-7-1 Night: 8-5-8
Friday, April 4
Day: 1-3-9 Night: 7-4-3

PLAY 4

Thursday, April 3
Day: 3-9-5-1 Night: 0-6-5-7
Friday, April 4
Day: 6-2-7-4 Night: 7-3-6-2

FANTASY 5

Thursday, April 3
1-6-17-19-35
Friday, April 4
11-20-22-24-31



Katara Simmons/News-Sun

Boy Scout Ronald McMahon drives a race car simulator Saturday at the Sebring International Raceway. Boy Scout Troop 846 spent the morning touring the track and learning about Skip Barber racing.

Local Boys Scouts get taste of racing life

BY SAMANTHA GHOLAR
Staff Writer

SEBRING — Boy Scout Troop 846 of Sebring got the chance to get up close and personal with up-and-coming Skip Barber racer Brandon Angel Saturday at the Sebring International Raceway.

Angel, a 21-year-old Ocala resident, earned his Eagle Scout rank in 2009 and uses his Boy Scout experience to help bring the younger scouts into the world of racing.

"I started Scouts at the age of 13 when we moved back to the U.S. from the Philippines," said Angel. "Scouts has been a big part of my life, just as racing has."

Though Angel only became a professional racer one year ago, the Troop 172 member has been racing go-carts since the age of 8 and has remained active in the Eagle Scouts since 2005.

Throughout the morning and afternoon, young Scouts participated in a number of activities related to the Skip Barber school, including driving simulators, ride-alongs and even waving the flags for the races.

Wade Allison was plenty excited about his opportunity to be a part of a real race Saturday.

"I got to wave the checkered flag. It was really cool," said Allison. "I've never even been out to the race track before; this is my first time here. The coolest part about it was when the cars would go by it vibrated the crow's nest. It was really loud out there, too."

A second scout, Max Carlisle, waved the flag at the 11:25 a.m. race.

Three scouts were lucky enough to ride along in the Skip Barber pace car that signaled the start of the race.

Matthew Andrews, Noah Allison and Julian

Crozier hopped into the Mazda pace car just before the start of the second race and enjoyed their ride.

"This is something we are hoping and trying to adopt at each race we go to," said Angel. "This is the first time they've allowed Boy Scouts out here to participate in anything like this."

Angel's father, Walter, said that Sebring is the "test run."

"We wanted to start here to see if it would work. We are working with the National Eagle Scouts Association to see if we can take it to future races and adopt a local troop at each race," Walter Angel said.

Angel's next stop is a F1600 Series race in Road Atlanta April 11-13, where he is hoping to bring out another troop.

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Elwell named Citizen of the Year by United Way

BY BARRY FOSTER
News-Sun Correspondent

SEBRING — Highlands County has a new Citizen of the Year. Highlands County Commissioner Don Elwell was given the honor Thursday morning at the Highlands County United Way's annual breakfast and awards ceremony held at the Jack Stroup Civic Center in Sebring.

Elwell is known both for his work at the commission and throughout county government as well as with local groups ranging from the Highlands Art League, to the Salvation Army to Heartland Idol.

"He seems to be involved in every aspect of Highlands County," said Sebring Mayor John Shoop, himself a former Citizen of the Year. "Whether it is government related, volunteering on multiple boards or entertaining crowds with his humor and exceptional skills as an emcee."

The commissioner called the honor "tremendously humbling" and said the award came as a complete surprise.

"I knew something was up, but I had no idea it was for the Citizen of the Year,"



ELWELL

Elwell said. "I'd ruled that out. When you look at the names on the list it really is like a Who's Who of founders in the community."

Elwell said he realized they were talking about him during the presentation when they mentioned his "emcee activities."

Highlands County Area Director for United Way of Central Florida Kristin Handley said the Citizen of the Year selection comes through a committee process.

"We have a roundtable that sits down once a year and goes over the nominations and then we make our selection," she said. "It is not a complicated process."

Among the criteria used are candidates' activities, achievements in the com-

munity and their impact on the local United Way efforts.

Elwell serves as the United Way Employee Coordinator for the Alan Jay Automotive Network, where he is the director of marketing and public relations.

"He's my lead person there, he leads the campaign, gets everything organized and takes care of things," Handley said. "In fact, Alan Jay has always been in the top 10 of donors as long as they have been participating with us."

Although the Citizen of the Year honor has been given out for some time, Handley said the Highlands County award dates back to 2003.

"It used to be for the entire tri-county region — Polk, Hardee and Highlands — because that's our United Way of Central Florida," she said. "But then we started having one just for Highlands."

The next United Way event will be the annual Day of Caring May 21. Volunteer teams from businesses and organizations will go out an help various United Way clients and partners with everything from landscaping to painting and even clerical work.

Spring Wildflower Walk planned today at Archbold

Special to the News-Sun

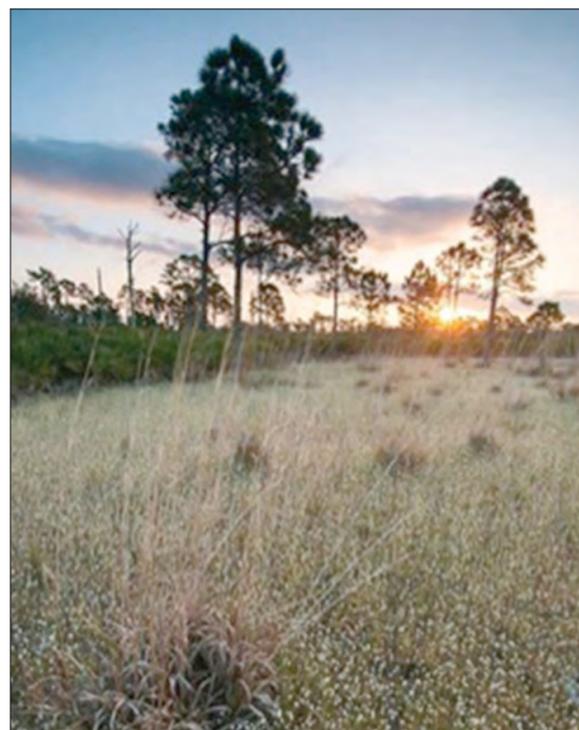
VENUS — After a wet winter this year, the native flowers are blooming in profusion all over the Florida scrub. The wetlands are shimmering with hatpins and yellow and purple flowers are springing up throughout the oaks and pinelands.

The public is welcome to join Dr. Eric Menges, Archbold's plant ecologist, on a guided walk to learn about the secret lives of our "Local Plant Treasures" at 1:45 p.m. today.

You'll learn how we discovered that our native plants really need regular fire to survive in the long term. Menges, who is a renowned scientist working at Archbold, will be guiding visitors along Archbold's trails and sharing what he has learned about Highlands County's rarest plants, many of which are found nowhere else on Earth.

The guided walk will start from the Frances Archbold Hufty Learning Center at Archbold. Please remember to bring a hat, water, and sunblock. You'll be walking along sandy trails so closed shoes are best. The guided walk is free, although donations are always appreciated.

Archbold Biological Station is eight miles south of Lake Placid. The entrance is 1.8 miles south of State Road 70 on Old State Road 8. Visit www.archbold-station.org or call 465-2571.



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Hatpins flower this year in an Archbold wetland.

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Rod Lewis/News-Sun

The first shovel breaks the ground for the coming Grace Place Dormitory at Lake Placid Camp and Conference Center on Wednesday.

Grace Place continues Dewey's dream in LP

BY ROD LEWIS
News-Sun Correspondent

LAKE PLACID — Representatives from the Southern Florida District of Church of Nazarene, county and local officials converged on the Lake Placid Camp and Conference Center Wednesday for the official groundbreaking of Grace Place and a new addition to the dining center.

"Grace Place is a 152-bed dormitory that will be able to be divided into small 'pods' for small groups, or a 152-bed dorm," said Anthony Haney, Lake Placid Camp and Conference Center executive director.

Haney went on to say that there are going to be two wings on the building, each one making up a 300-seat, multi-purpose auditorium.

"The original dream may have started in 1926, when Melville Dewey and his wife built the southern version of the Lake Placid Club," said Dr. Dennis Moore, Southern Florida District Advisory Board secretary. "The club was to

New facility at Lake Placid Camp and Conference Center

attract the brightest and best young people to advance new ideas and that would impact people."

Moore went on to say that in the year just ending, revenue for the center approached \$1.9 million, with 43,000 guests. Out of the 43,000, he said, more than 4,000 young people found Jesus Christ as their savior, which he related back to Melville Dewey's dream.

Grace Place was a result of a grant from Dr. Fred Bertolet and his wife, Grace, who led revivals all over the America. Shortly before his death, Bertolet bequeathed nearly \$1 million to the Southern Florida District with the simple wish that an appropriate building be build to honor his late wife.

The added dormitory space will augment the mission of the Center.

"The mission statement was to establish a base of godliness," Haney said. "The vision statement that came of that was serving Jesus Christ by serving others. This summer, there will be approximately 40,000 visitors to the Lake Placid Camp and Conference Center. There will be about 8,000-9,000 youth and children for summer camps."

Not only is the camp open for the campers, the facility is open to the public. Corporate events are available as are lunches and catering on and off campus. Haney estimates that the visitors will infuse approximately \$3 million in revenue throughout Highlands County.

There was also a groundbreaking ceremony for a dining area patio that will seat 200-250. The addition will blend in with the existing building, and will look like it has always been there.

Haney estimated that this project will not begin until the fall because of the number of visitors that are expected during the summer.

Tecnam Aircraft opens Sebring airport facility

BY BARRY FOSTER
News-Sun correspondent

SEBRING — The announcement reportedly was made miles away earlier this week at Lakeland Linder Airport, but the effects could be felt in Highlands County for some time to come.

Officials at the Sebring Regional Airport say they are delighted following the formal announcement that the Italian-based Tecnam Aircraft has established a U.S. customer service center and will operated from the industrial park there.

Tecnam joins E-stone as the second Italian company to be established at the Sebring airport. Reportedly, the effort to land the firm began as many as five years ago by the Highlands County Industrial Development Authority/Economic Development Commission under then-Executive Director Dan Murphy.

The Tecnam facility is designed to cover the U.S., Central and South America and Canada for parts supply, sales and marketing. It eventually will provide the company with a base for final

Delivery center, assembly facility and U.S. headquarters established

assembly of aircraft for sales in those markets.

"We are working to be more proactive by making this investment in production, training, customer service and parts supply in the U.S.," said Shannon Yeager, director of sales for Tecnam U.S. "We plan to have maintenance training at the Sebring facility, as well."

The Tecnam US Inc. Sebring customer delivery center, assembly facility and U.S. headquarters has been established in a 43,000-square-foot facility at the airport.

Formerly used by the Leza Lockwood Corporation, it more recently was used by Sebring Aviation.

Plans are to use about 21,000 square feet in the first phase of operation.

Tecnam is no stranger to the Sebring airport, having participated in the US Sport Aviation Expo for several years. This past January, com-

pany executives said they made a number of sales including a pair of their popular P2008 TC aircraft — the 115-horsepower, turbocharged version of the P2008 LSA, featuring the Rotax 914.

Tecnam had a strong showing at the Expo this year, with four aircraft on display, daily seminars showcasing the history of Tecnam in the world of aviation, as well as several manufacturers showcase flights showing off the flying capabilities of the Tecnam models.

"We are proud to be the home of the annual US Sport Aviation Expo and our motto... 'the place to see, try, fly and buy' really does ring true, with Tecnam choosing Sebring as their showcase facility in North America," said Sebring Regional Airport Director Mike Willingham.

Company officials indicated the establishment of Tecnam US Inc. is a result of a significant investment that will include not only the new Sebring facility and personnel but will create an enhanced nationwide sales and support network offering a wide range of services.

ERA Advantage Realty helps New Testament Mission

Special to the News-Sun

SEBRING — ERA Advantage Realty and Advantage Realty's monthly Outreach Program focused on helping the New Testament Mission in March. The agents gathered in the cafeteria on Saturday, March 29, and helped serve the lunch meal and cleaned up afterwards.

The New Testament Mission has been providing Christian mission services for more than 38 years without the assistance of government grants or other programs. The mission feeds an average of 40 people three meals a day in the cafeteria. They provide shelter in a limited housing facility and help those in need on clothing and household goods, while sharing their Christian faith.

"I'm really delighted to have agents who are willing to share their time and efforts to assist worthy mission services," ERA

Advantage Realty owner Greg Karlson said. "We also hope and believe the people in need will realize that Christians care about them and there is hope in Christ".

ERA Advantage is holding a food drive for the mission through April 18. Boxed and canned food items can be brought to the offices at 743 U.S. 27 South in Sebring or 301 Dal Hall Blvd. in Lake Placid. Call 386-1111 for more information.



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ERA Advantage staff Sarah Franklin (from left), Fred Wooton, Bethany Rojas, Andrea Mills, Marilyn Stokes, Dana Olson help the New Testament Mission. Also helping was Ben Rojas.

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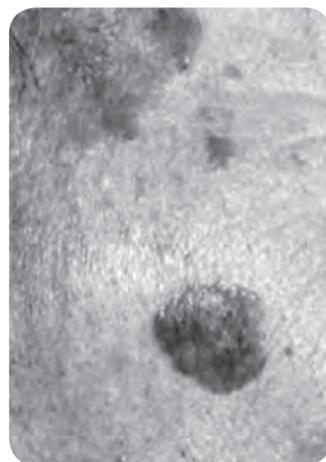
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OUR VIEW

Free speech to the highest bidder

It is possible future historians will look back at our time and call it the "Irrational Age."

Take the example the U. S. Supreme Court just set — deciding in a 5-4 vote that it is unconstitutional to limit the number of candidates to whom a donation may be given by an interested party. The dollar limits per donation remain the same, but now donors may give to as many different candidates across the country as they choose, making it easier to spread money around.

In addition, the Supreme Court has already decided that corporations are people too, so this ruling applies to them.

We think this is a mistake. Chief Justice John Roberts wrote the majority opinion and focused it narrowly. He said that the goal of campaign financing reform should be to prevent quid-pro-quo corruption — such as cash for an individual favor. Otherwise, he said, it violates First Amendment protections.

We wish Roberts and the court had taken a more thoughtful approach, especially when it comes to granting human rights to inanimate organizations. How can a corporation speak with one voice? Or have only one opinion? A corporation is a thing, not a breathing organism with feelings, a conscience and ideas of its own.

We think there is something else at work.

As a newspaper, we value freedom of speech, and fight to protect it. We know an effort to monopolize the conversation when we see it.

Being able to stand and express yourself is a fundamental American right. A healthy democracy requires the exchange of ideas.

Spending money, however, to repeat the same political message over and over is not healthy at all. It's propaganda, plain and simple. The result of the Supreme Court's decision means those with the most money get to out-shout everyone else.

It's ridiculous to think of corporations and unions as individual people. It is sillier still to think that not being to throw money at every candidate who may one day be in position to do you a favor is a violation of your constitutional rights.

And it is completely irrational that the Supreme Court said all this is OK — as future historians will say.



Hollywood-style Noah can't beat original

LAURA'S LOOK

Laura Ware

Last weekend Don and I went to see "Noah," a big-budget film that claimed to be based on the Bible story of Noah and the ark. The creators of the film admitted to some "artistic license," but insisted that the tale was true to the Biblical account.

I admit I went into the film with warnings about it ringing in my ears. Many Bible believers trashed the film for various reasons. My hope was that the things that were talked about were exaggerated. After all, the story of Noah is sketchy on some details. Films have always fleshed out their Bible stories — "The Ten Commandments" took artistic license as well, and it's a classic Biblical film.

So I went to the film wary, but hopeful. My first surprise was when Don and I arrived at the theater — the 4 p.m. showing was sold out. Obviously a lot of people were coming to see this film.

We managed to get in at 7 p.m. and settled down to see Noah on the big screen.

The good news: The movie isn't as bad as I thought it would be. The special effects are pretty cool, the acting is well-done, and were this not purporting to be based on a true story it would've been an entertain-



ing couple of hours.

But it does claim to tell the story of Noah. And therein lies my problem with the film. Saying that "Noah" takes artistic license with the subject matter is like saying the Atlantic Ocean is a body of water. It's much bigger than the words imply.

It is true, for example, that the name "God" is not used in the whole film. Instead, he is referred to as "the Creator" throughout. If that was the worst thing they did I could forgive them for it. After all, I can buy they call God by that name. He is, indeed, the Creator.

But the changes they make are much more egregious than what to call God. In fact, God never directly

speaks to Noah in the film — He communicates with the man through dreams and visions that Noah is forced to interpret. Quite different from the Biblical account, which has God giving Noah specific instructions, down to the type of wood he is to use and the dimensions of the ark.

While Noah's oldest son, Shem, has a wife to bring into the ark, his younger sons enter the ark without mates. This directly contradicts the Bible account, which states that Noah's sons and his son's wives all went into the ark.

This makes a lot more sense than the movie, where the problem of mates for Noah's other two sons is solved by Shem's wife bear-

ing twin girls while on the ark.

Those babies bring me to the most disturbing change the film makes, that to the character of Noah himself. The Bible calls Noah a righteous man. In the film, this same man decides that it is the Creator's will that all mankind be destroyed, including his own family. When the twins are born, he decides he must kill them in order to ensure that the human race will die off.

See what happens when you are forced to rely on visions? If God had been speaking directly to him like the Bible says this point would've been made clear. But Noah goes by what he thinks is best, though in the end he chooses to spare the children and comes around to the concept that mankind is to continue in the new world.

There is so much more wrong with this film, but I don't have room to raise these points. Sadly, I can't recommend this film if you are into Biblical epics. But if you are interested in the story of Noah, I can say this much: like so many other film adaptations, the book is better. Go give it a read.

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The premature Obamacare victory lap



GUEST COLUMN

Rick Jensen

President Obama took a victory lap on Tuesday, celebrating 7 million Obamacare enrollees.

Let's take a look at this success.

President Obama and the Democrats pushed through their signature domestic policy stating the "Affordable" Care Act would cover "every American." They have used the figure of "48 million uninsured Americans."

To date, Obamacare has then enrolled less than 2 percent of those uninsured Americans.

"It's working!" exclaimed the President.

The Rand Corporation crunched the numbers and discovered only 858,000 people of the 7 million enrollees have actually paid their premiums, which is required to actually be covered.

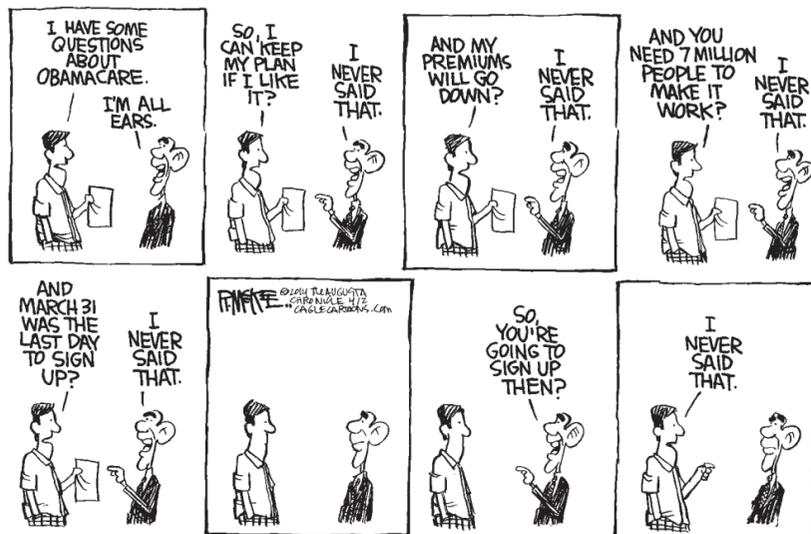
"It's working!" You will soon read that many of the applications in the official White House count are actually duplicate and incomplete applications.

The worst of this naively ambitious plan is beginning and the Democrats know it, with millions of Americans having their doctors and hospitals excluded from these government-designed insurance plans.

Debbie Wasserman-Schultz, a particularly virulent attacker against all criticism of this failing program, actually said recently that there are no "glaring problems" with Obamacare.

Administrators at Seattle's Children's Hospital told reporters they filed standard requests for specialty care for 125 children through the Obamacare exchange. These include terribly sick children who will die without specialized procedures and medical treatments.

Obamacare officials only responded to 20 percent of those requests and de-



nied eight of them.

President Obama promised his plan would "require that all children have health care coverage."

The hospital is currently treating the children but they can't keep doing so for long.

Apparently the death panels are already at work.

"It's working!"

The *New York Post* reports, "leading cancer centers — including New York's Memorial Sloan Kettering — are excluded by the largest plans. California's state-of-the-art Cedars-Sinai cancer center isn't in any ObamaCare plan. Only a few plans include the Mayo Clinic. And if you want a doctor outside such networks, you'll generally have to pay the full cost of care" out of your own life savings.

No "glaring" problems." Democrat Senator Harry Reid, another crusader for Obamacare, has publicly told the country that all of these stories about people losing coverage and doctors are "lies."

The *Post* also reports on "Michael Cerpok, a leukemia survivor in Fountain Hills, Ariz."

"The ObamaCare law forced his insurer to kill (his insurance) plan for one that fits the law's rules.

Now he'll have to pay more for drugs, and his Mayo Clinic doctor is no lon-

ger in his network.

Last year, his treatment bill was more than \$350,000, but thanks to insurance his out-of-pocket was only \$4,500.

Now, to keep his doctor, the one who has kept him alive for seven years, Cerpok will have to pay \$26,000 out of pocket."

Mr. Cerpok is another of Sen. Harry Reid's "liars," like the kids with cancer losing their doctors and medical care. But then, Senator Reid has never cared much for such kids.

The CEO of the Cleveland Clinic reports three quarters of Americans who have signed up for Obamacare have seen their premium costs increase.

In 2008, President Obama told you, "We can cut the average family's premium by about \$2,500 a year."

Kids with cancer denied medical care, millions of families hammered with cost increases, millions losing their doctors and hospitals while Democrats call these people "liars" and claim there are no "glaring" problems.

Good job, Democrats. "It's working."

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Gun range supporters gather at clay pit

BY BARRY FOSTER
News-Sun Correspondent

SEBRING — More than a dozen people turned out Wednesday at a county-owned clay pit north of Avon Park to talk about the possibility of renting the facility.

Of the approximately 15 people who turned out for the pre-bid tour, there were two official entities represented: the Heartland Gun Club and Sebring-based Spray & Pray Guns and Ammo.

The facility, once home to a BMX bicycle racing facility, has been suggested as a gun range site the by owners of Boom Booms Guns & Ammo in Sebring.

Jeri Canale and Steve Maribel, owners of Boom Booms, were not at the Wednesday tour, saying they already are well familiar with the site.

Highlands County commissioners last month called for request for proposals to be issued for those interested in the site for any reason after first asking for letters of interest about turning the site into a gun range and getting two responses — from the Heartland Gun Club and Boom Booms. Highlands County Parks

Tour of facility raises a few questions for county staff

and Recreation Director Vicki Pontius said it appeared at this time that nobody is interested in reviving the BMX track.

Although bids are set to be opened at 2 p.m. on April 24 at the Highlands County Purchasing Department, an addendum to the bid is slated to be released after April 11 to answer a number of questions that were asked at the meeting.

“One of the questions that came up was the boundary lines,” Pontius said. “One of the gentlemen said they want to open a rifle range, so he’s looking for a long stretch of space. For some reason, our site plan has a demarcation across it so actually the land does not go all the way to County Road 17.”

Apparently, the area on the north side of the site had been used for parking when the bike racers were there but is not included on the current proposal. Pontius said the

staff plans to get with the county’s mapping department to try and determine why the site has been delineated.

“There were questions about drainage and water retention at the site,” said Highlands County Purchasing Agent Danielle Gilbert, who also was part of the tour. “There also were questions about permitting and about the building that is there now.”

Once the RFPs have been received, they will be looked over by an evaluation committee comprised of Pontius. Highlands County Zoning Supervisor Linda Conrad and Highlands County Road and Bridge Department Director Kyle Green to determine whether or not they have met the list of requirements.

“The proposals are given points based on the criteria,” Gilbert said. “The committee then tallies the scores and makes a recommendation.”

That recommendation is then given to the administration, who then will take it to the county commission, which may reject any or all of the proposals.

No date for that has yet been set.



Samantha Gholar/News Sun

The Glades Electric Company Relay for Life mini team dons purple and pink to stand out Friday evening at the annual Lake Placid Relay for Life event. The Santana family has been touched numerous times by cancer and continue their participation and support of the Relay events.

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Everything looks good, the doctor didn’t see anything. He beat it,” Santana said.

Unfortunately, that’s not the only time the family has been touched by cancer.

“Our cousin Delilah Santana is also a survivor. She is a breast cancer survivor of two years,” said Padilla.

“Yes. She had it in both breasts so she fought hard too,” Santana added.

“Lung cancer got our aunt. She died from it a few years back. Her name was Elizabeth and she was 50,” Santana said.

“It (cancer) has touched us in so many ways. It’s touched our family and we walk for them and for all the other families like ours. This is our second year walking and we love it,” Padilla said.

Throughout the stadium, teams took to the track to honor and remember the many people who have been affected by cancer. Lake Placid Middle School student Chakiah Sampson joined the First Baptist Church of Lake Plac-



Samantha Gholar/News Sun

Giggles the clown prepares to make a new balloon animal for Lake Placid Relay for Life participants Kinzey Green and Khloe Mittendorf Friday evening during the annual Relay event. The elementary students are joined by Sebring Relay Survivor Chair Tracy Palmer (center).

id for their team walk for the first time ever Friday evening. Melissa Ojeda, another LMPS student, joined the fun on a whim and others returned to the track for another fun year.

Survivors enjoyed a break from the glaring sun under the Survivors Tent near the center of the stadium, where live music and special guests entertained nearly 100 individuals who beat many different forms cancer over the years.

Participants of all ages enjoyed the warm weather and activities throughout the night.

Sebring Relay for Life survivor chairperson Tracy Palmer was in Lake Placid Friday.

“I’m here just checking things out and help-

ing. Nancy Sanders is the new Lake Placid survivor chair and she is doing just a fabulous job. It’s going really well,” Palmer said.

Lake Placid’s 17 Relay for Life teams have raised more than \$47,000 for the American Cancer Society this year. Final funds raised will be available in the coming weeks following the close of the Relay season.

Sebring’s Relay for Life is up next and will be start Saturday, Apr. 12, at 6 p.m. and go until 7 a.m. on Sunday, Apr. 13 at Firemen’s Field.

Avon Park will hold its annual Relay for Life at from 6 p.m. Friday, May 2, to 7 a.m. on May 3 at the Avon Park High School’s Joe Franza Stadium.

THOMAS HULEN

Thomas Isaiah Hulen was born in Craven County, N.C. on June 6, 1948 to James Lee and Ozia Manley-Hulen. As a child, Thomas, better known as “Tom”, traveled with his parents as a military family from base to base. In 1966 after Thomas graduated from Newbold High School in Dove, N.C. the Hulen family arrived in Avon Park. The base assignment was the Bombing Range and his brothers, Gene and Curtis, began attending school. At some time in Thomas’ life he was given the opportunity to attend a professional school for guitarist and he excelled there. This talent would serve him throughout his life. After high school, Thomas entered the U.S. Marine Corp.

He entered the service on Jan. 27, 1972 and was discharged after serving four years of honorable service on March 3, 1976. While in service he received the rank of Corporal (CPL) E-4. Thomas was awarded the Good Conduct Medal and the National Defense Service Medal. After leaving the service he returned to Avon Park, and was employed as a construction laborer.

He met and married the love of his life, Mary Alice Taylor on Aug. 6, 1977. To this union four children were born. Thomas was a member of Deliverance Temple C.O.G.I.C. in Clewiston for 26 years and moved in 2001 to Greater Love C.O.G.I.C. along with his father who was his pastor.

Thomas is preceded in death by his parents, James L. Hulen and Ozia Manley-Hulen; a brother, Gene Hulen; a son, Jimmie Taylor; and a daughter, Roberta Darlene. He leaves to cherish his life a devoted wife, Mary A. Hulen; a brother, Curtis R. (Mamie) Hulen of New Bern, N.C.; three sons, Thomas Jr. USA (Man-

dy), James L. II (Ashley) of Avon Park, Royal Taylor of Sebring; one daughter, Alicia (Maurice) Warren of Avon Park; 10 grandchildren, Keona, Thomas III, JayShawn, SeyQuan, Kenna, Maurice II, James, Desiree, A’mauri, and Avante; three aunts, Laure Wright of Philadelphia, Pa., Mary F. White of New Bern, N.C., and Gladys Battle of Brooklyn, N.Y.; one sister-in-law, Catherine Dickerson of Long Beach, Calif.; two brothers-in-law, Waymon Spradley of Sebring, and Vander Burgess of Moultrie, Ga.; step-mother: Arnetta G. Hulen, Avon Park, one sister-in-law, Aida P. Hulen of Baltimore, Md.; one niece, Lauren A. Hulen, Capt. USAF; a special sister, Ernivy Hargett of New Bern, N.C.; a special brother, Michael Cromes of Clewiston; special sons, Demetrius Williams, Latroy Hillard, Travis Caldwell, and Travis Gray; and a host of cousins and friends.

On April 2, not by mistake, God decided that the clay he formed into a man called Thomas Isaiah Hulen had gone his last mile. He had come to the end of his journey and he allowed him to go to sleep. Home-going services will be on Saturday, April 12, 2014, at 11 a.m. at Antioch Church of God in Christ, 1320 Carolina Ave., Avon Park with Elder Ardis W. Jackson, pastor, officiating. The family will receive friends beginning at 9 a.m. Burial will take place on Monday, April 14, 2014 at Sarasota National Cemetery, Sarasota Memorial contributions may be made to Good Shepherd Hospice, 1110 Hammock Road, Sebring, FL 33870 or Greater Love Church of God in Christ, 143 Vision St. (Highway Park), Lake Placid, FL 33852.

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Clarification

Contrary to some interpretations of coverage on Sunday, March 30, William “Pep” Hutchinson, 67, of Sebring did not serve as a member of the Florida Legislature.

The candidate for District 5’s seat on the School Board of Highlands County said he attended legislative sessions and committee meetings in 2010, 2011 and

2013 as a private citizen, learning from lobbyists and legislators.

Also, Hutchinson said he taught in Highlands County schools from 2005-2008 as a substitute teacher, and wished to clarify that his statement on Highlands County schools having the third lowest scores on the Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test referred to scores for kindergarten through eighth-grade students.

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Detectives seek theft victims

BY PHIL ATTINGER
Staff Writer

SEBRING — Deputies have investigated numerous thefts and made arrests in theft cases from boats around the county.

“We have recovered many more items than have been reported, leading our detectives to believe that folks might not realize that they have been a victim or they chose not to report the theft,” said Sheriff Susan Benton.

Thefts were reported from boats on Lake Jo-

sephine in Sebring and Lakes June, Carrie and Francis in Lake Placid. Deputies have identified victims in Buttonwood Bay, Lake Josephine Mobile Home Park, Leisure Lakes and around Lake Francis. Items taken included fishing rods, reels and trolling motors.

Deputies are asking all fishing and boating enthusiasts living on area lakes to check their boats and docks. Those missing items should call Detective Kenny Young at 863-402-7254 or 863-402-7250.

DROP

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those storms a couple of weeks ago and we had a lot of wind. I got reports from some of our members that a lot of fruit hit the ground because of that,” he said. “Whatever stresses out the tree takes a greater toll on one infected by greening than it would on a completely healthy one.”

Determining the amount of fruit drop from year to year also has been a difficult task. While growers do not keep such statistics, Royce said local groves are closely watched as a barometer of statewide production.

“Florida Ag Statistics is counting pieces of fruit throughout the year and you can even see their notations on the USDA reports regarding fruit drop,” he said.

Trees dropping part of their production is not a new phenomenon. Royce said that even under ideal conditions there usually is 5-10 percent of the crop that falls from the trees prematurely.

That means a 20-25 percent drop actually represents only 10-15 percent above normal, ideal conditions.

The numbers appear far better than last season, when it was estimat-

ed that fruit drop was as much as an “unprecedented” 40-45 percent.

Erratic weather and greening were pointed to as culprits. For instance, weather last season was marked by severe temperature shifts.

As this season heads into warmer months, officials worry that the rate of drop could get worse. That, apparently has to do with overlapping growth cycles.

“A lot of the guys have had multiple blooms, so when you look into the harvesting trucks you’ll see a lot of different pieces. Some are big orange ones, some are a lot smaller and not very orange,” he said.

The good news seems to be that the season evened out to help the upcoming Valencia orange harvest. February and March had a very uniform bouquet bloom. That could translate into a more consistent crop than the past years.

“Last year, there was bloom that was occurring from early February through as late as early May and therefore you had a lot of fruit that was in different stages of development,” Royce said. “There’s speculation that in itself created stress.”

The latest USDA prediction for the 2013-2014 harvest season is set to be released Wednesday.

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Investigators are treating this case as a homicide and are interested in speaking with anyone who may have seen what happened, she said. There has not been much to go on because of a language barrier in the neighborhood and fear of law enforcement.

“Deputies will not question witnesses about their immigration status,” Hays said. “They

simply want to know what happened.”

Anyone with information is requested to contact Detective Nathan Coogan of the Sheriff’s Office Criminal Investigations Unit at 863-402-7341 or 863-402-7250.

Anyone with information who wants to remain anonymous, and eligible for a cash reward is asked to contact Heartland Crime Stoppers at 1-800-226-TIPS (8477) or on the Internet at www.heartlandcrimestoppers.com.



Phil Attinger/News-Sun

Holly Rapp (left), International Baccalaureate English teacher at Sebring High School, speaks with Jennifer Westergom, district mathematics curriculum specialist, at Wednesday’s forum at Sebring Middle School on ‘Elevating and Celebrating Effective Teaching and Teachers.’ The program helps teachers train each other on better teaching methods. Rapp, along with Woodlawn Elementary School reading coach Cheryl Vermilye, wrote a \$35,000 grant application to the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation to host a conference on the program this fall.

TEACHERS

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in February 2013 in La Jolla, Calif. They then took six teachers to the Florida conference in May of last year in St. Petersburg, then had the district host a regional conference Nov. 8-9 at Chateau Élan in Sebring. More than 120 local teachers attended, including teachers from DeSoto and Okeechobee counties, Ervin said.

They want to host another conference this October or November, and recruited Woodlawn Elementary School reading coach Cheryl Vermilye and Sebring High School International Baccalaureate teacher Holly Rapp to write \$35,000 grant application to the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation for the venue, food and supplies.

“With the grant, we want the numbers to grow,” Vermilye said. “We want to share (this) with everybody.”

Rapp said representatives from the Gates Foundation were “blown away” by what they’ve seen from Highlands County.

She loves how the pro-

gram brings teachers out of their classrooms to share best practices in their schools and throughout the district.

“We all have great ideas,” Rapp said. “This is our forum.”

Each teacher who had attended the regional conference was asked to bring another teacher to Wednesday’s event. Each school had a booth at the Sebring Middle Commons to explain how their teachers collaborate.

School Board member Donna Howerton said the fact that teachers are talking about how to help each other is a great sign.

“Now they’re sharing across the grade levels,” Howerton said.

David Schuknecht, science teacher at Sebring Middle, said the conference helps remind teachers about why they became teachers.

“We get to see changes happen with students that we wouldn’t see in other careers,” Schuknecht said.

His colleague, Josh McGhee, in his fifth year teaching third grade at Memorial Elementary School, said he looked forward to hearing what other schools do.

Aside from doing work-

shops to share effective teaching methods, schools use incentives. At Memorial Elementary, for example, public “data boards” showcase student and classroom progress to recognize those who do their best.

Other strategies that stood out included Sun ’N Lake Elementary School, where students learn to find symbolism and character motivation in stories so they will read with that direction in mind.

Park Elementary School is teaching students to formulate their own questions. Avon Elementary School has math and science labs to help students apply what they learn.

Lake Placid Middle School and Sebring High School both use WICOR, a system to focus on writing, inquiry, collaboration, organization and reading to help balance those skills.

Lake Country Elementary School uses the Kagan Cooperative Structure, which gets students working with each other.

At Sebring Middle, students are asked to work on classwork during normal “social time,” such as while having lunch, but there are incentives. Those with good grade averages may go to special events.

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unconstitutional. So if a jury had found him guilty on both charges, the judge would have had to throw out the lesser charge, he said.

Fox was reported to be under the influence at the time, and had five passengers, two of them minors. All were treated and released at Highlands Regional Medical Center.

Castillo said Fox had “a trace” of alcohol and marijuana in his system, which was not enough for a DUI manslaughter

charge. However, he said, those trace amounts and reports that he was speeding and weaving through traffic prior to the wreck were enough to establish recklessness for a vehicular homicide charge.

Castillo added that Fox had to be going fast to cross a curbed, uphill grass median and go airborne at the location of the crash.

Fox wasn’t charged until almost a year later — on March 11, 2013 — and

wasn’t booked into the Highlands County Jail until Feb. 3 of this year, on two counts of failing to appear for the felony offenses of vehicular homicide and driving without a valid driver’s license.

According to reports, police had trouble getting a witness statement and Fox, who was from Broward County, took a while to find and charge.

“We had an outstanding warrant, but we couldn’t locate him,” Castillo said.

Miss AP to be crowned Friday

Special to the News-Sun

AVON PARK — The upcoming 2014 Miss & Jr. Miss Avon Park Chamber of Commerce Pageant will be held Friday, April 11. Fifteen high school girls will compete for the Miss title and 10 middle school aged girls will compete for Jr. Miss.

The pageant will begin at 6 p.m. with doors opening at 5:15. The venue this year is Union Congregational Church. Admission is \$5 for adults, \$3 for students, and children (under 5 years old) free.

Reserved seating will be available for all reigning visiting queens and all former Miss and Jr. Miss Avon Park Chamber of Commerce.

A child care service will be provided at Union Congregational Church’s youth facility, across the parking lot from the church, during the pageant for those parents of young children who would like to enjoy the pageant. The cost for the child care service is a donation of \$2 per child. Proceeds to benefit the upcoming pageants.

Contestants will vote on Miss Congeniality, and an Orlando-based group of judges will vote on Miss Photogenic. A panel of out-of-town, experienced pageant judges will judge these ladies on a pre-written essay; their personality wear, where the ladies were asked to show their personality in the selection of the attire; a formal wear competition, and finally an on-stage question.

Raffle tickets will be old at the door for \$5 to offset pageant costs. Prizes will include \$250 cash prize, \$50, and gifts, to be awarded, the night of the pageant.

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SPORTS



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Cullen Lovett drove home two runs Friday night, but that marked all the Sebring production in a 4-2 loss to Oviedo at Firemen's Field.

Streaks overcome by Oviedo

BY DAN HOEHNE
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SEBRING – The rough stretch for Blue Streak baseball continued Friday night in a 4-2, extra-inning loss to visiting Oviedo.

“It’s frustrating because we’re playing well, for the most part,” designated hitter Cullen Lovett said. “But it’s just been a little thing here or there that’s hurt us.”

As was the case this night, culminating a week that saw Monday’s loss to county rival Lake Placid and Thursday’s 5-4 loss at district foe Lemon Bay.

In this one, Josh Crouch was locked in a pitcher’s duel with Lions right-hander Aaron Norman.

Sebring got on the board in the third with Everett Hurst rocketing a frozen rope that one-hopped the left-center field wall – but was hit so hard and ricocheted so quickly that he was held to a single.

Eli White then laid down a sacrifice bunt to move Hurst to second and one out later, Lovett sliced a single to left for the opening run.

And that run held up as the innings progressed, with Crouch and the

Streaks dodging a few bullets.

With two outs and Jeff Woodard on second in the top of the fourth, Ryan Anderson hit a chopper halfway between the mound and the third-base line.

Crouch swept in to snare it, but his off-balance throw pulled first baseman Seth Cannady off the base.

But Cannady alertly saw Woodard trying to advance to third and whipped it across the diamond, with David DeGenaro swiping the tag down for the third out.

And in the fifth, John

OVIEDO
4
SEBRING
2

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Red Devils keep on rollin’

BY DAN HOEHNE
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AVON PARK – Averaging 12 runs per game during the week, the Avon Park nine sure made things easy on their pitching staff.

And it paved the way to a 3-0 record with Friday’s 9-2 win over visiting McKeel Academy at Head Field.

AVON PARK 9
MCKEEL 2

After Tuesday’s 18-run explosion at Frost-proof, the Red Devils tallied another nine in Thursday’s 9-4 home win over LaBelle, courtesy of four Mykel Gordon RBI and a three-run homer from J.C. Cobb.

It was more of the same Friday night, as the Devils also had a little payback in mind.

It was exactly one month earlier, on Tuesday, March 4, that the Tigers scored six in the bottom of the seventh for a 7-6 win that gave Avon Park its lone district loss of the season.

Southpaw starter Kenny McGrath kept McKeel scoreless through three and the Devils drew first



Dan Hoehne/News-Sun files

Mykel Gordon tallied five hits and drove in seven runs in the Red Devils two late-week wins.

blood in the bottom of the third.

With two out, Luis Martinez and Tyrone Perry drew consecutive walks.

Gordon then singled sharply to left for the first dent on the scoreboard.

McGrath worked a scoreless fourth and his offense plated two more in the bottom of the frame.

With one out, Trey Frazier walked and Kyle Thompson was hit by a pitch.

An Alfred Brown single loaded the bases and Martinez then singled Frazier home.

A Perry ground out scored Thompson and the lead stood at 3-0.

McGrath walked the

first batter of the fifth, but that was erased when a grounder to Gordon at first was turned into a double play.

But back-to-back singles marked the end of McGrath’s night as Perry came on to get the last out.

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Recreational hog hunting popularity soaring

LINDSEY SHELTON
The Natchez Democrat

NATCHEZ, Miss. — A quick tap on the roof of the electric hunting cart and the pop of two rifle shots and Jody Greene and Jeff Goeggle have taken down their first hog of the night.

It’s one of hundreds they will kill this year; they bagged 420 last year.

Goeggle’s tap on the roof of the cart signals he has spotted a hog, and he and Greene both shoot to ensure one of them hits the animal.

It’s a routine they’ll repeat during approximately 200 hunts in 2014.

You might call them hog wild, but they are just two of many local hunters who are part of a national trend of recreational hog hunting that’s popularity has soared in recent years.

Goeggle and Greene, who run Double G Hog Control in Monterey with Greene’s wife, Tracy, have hunted hogs to-

gether for nearly three years for farmers and landowners who have problems with wild hogs rooting up their property.

While they are happy to be of service to those whose land or crops are overrun by hogs, Goeggle and Greene enjoy hog hunting and don’t charge for their services.

The hunters generally stop at gas stations or other places after hunts and give away the hogs.

The network of farmers and friends they’ve created provides them with 150,000 acres in Mississippi and Louisiana to hunt anytime they want.

“It’s fun to do, and it’s challenging,” Greene said. “It’s something I can do with my family and friends, and it’s pretty exciting out there at night.”

Greene and Goeggle hunt during the day and also at night using night-vision goggles and thermal scopes.

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Lady Panthers work their way through trying week

BY DAN HOEHNE
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Phrases like “a trying week” or a “rough week” don’t even begin to do justice to what the South Florida State College softball team went through.

From a Thursday, March 27, loss at Hillsborough, to being awakened the next morning with the horrifying news that beloved teammate Lauren Phillips had been taken from them, to trying to regroup and stay strong through Tuesday’s pre-game tribute to Phillips and honoring her family and then taking on conference rival

Polk State.

The team has nobly adopted the motto to “Do it for 20,” Phillips’ uniform number.

“The girls were obviously shocked. Lauren was a huge part of the team. They’ve described her as the glue that held the team together,” assistant coach Heather Barnes said early in the week. “From a coaches standpoint you can’t even ask for a better player.

“She came to us as a walk on and worked her butt off and instantly earned a scholarship,” Barnes continued. “Her work ethic, her want to

get better, and her overall positive attitude is something that is going to be missed. We are dedicating this season to her. She wanted to go to states so bad so were gonna fight to get there. We’ve kind of been using the quote #doitfor20 as our motivation.”

But in such a whirlwind of tragedy and emotion, the words are often easier to say than to initially live up to.

Though it seemed to be taking hold as the Lady Panthers took a 6-2 lead over Polk in Tuesday’s



Dan Hoehne/News-Sun

Balloons were released as part of the pre-game ceremony Tuesday at SFSC, with Lauren Phillips’ parents on hand to be honored.

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COMING UP

High School Baseball
 Tuesday – Avon Park at Mulberry, 7 p.m.;
 Lake Placid at McKeel, 7 p.m.; Sebring vs. Hardee, 7 p.m.

College Baseball
 Monday – SFSC vs. Pasco-Hernando, 5 p.m.
 Wednesday – SFSC at Polk State, 6 p.m.

High School Softball
 Monday – Avon Park at LaBelle, 6/7:30

p.m.; Lake Placid at DeSoto, 5:30/7:30 p.m.; Sebring at Mulberry, 6/7:30 p.m.
 Tuesday – Sebring vs. Frostproof, 6/7:30 p.m.

College Softball
 Tuesday – SFSC at St. Petersburg, 5 p.m.

Girls Tennis
 Tuesday – Sebring at Regional Match, TBD, 3 p.m.

SPORTS ON TV

TODAY

AUTO RACING

■ NHRA – Lucas Oil Series	Noon	ESPN2
■ NASCAR – Duck Commander 500	2:30 p.m.	FOX

BOWLING

■ PBA League – Silver Lake vs. Philadelphia	1 p.m.	ESPN2
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CRICKET

■ ICC World Twenty, Final	9 a.m.	ESPN2
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GOLF

■ Drive, Chip and Putt Championship	9 a.m.	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

■ Texas at Tampa Bay	1:30 p.m.	SUN
■ Philadelphia at Chicago Cubs	2 p.m.	WGN
■ San Francisco at L.A. Dodgers	8 p.m.	ESPN2

NBA

■ New York at Miami	1 p.m.	ABC
■ L.A. Lakers at L.A. Clippers	3:30 p.m.	ABC

NHL

■ St. Louis at Chicago	Noon	NBC
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PREMIER LEAGUE SOCCER

■ West Ham United FC vs. Liverpool FC	10:30 a.m.	CNBC
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WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

■ NCAA Tournament, Semifinal	6:30 p.m.	ESPN
■ NCAA Tournament, Semifinal	9 p.m.	ESPN

MONDAY

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

■ NCAA Tournament Final	9 p.m.	CBS
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MLB

■ Texas at Boston	7 p.m.	ESPN
■ Tampa Bay at Kansas City	8 p.m.	SUN

TUESDAY

MLB

■ Tampa Bay at Kansas City	8 p.m.	SUN
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NBA

■ Brooklyn at Miami	8 p.m.	TNT
■ Houston at L.A. Lakers	10:30 p.m.	TNT

WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

■ NCAA Tournament Final	8:30 p.m.	ESPN
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SCOREBOARD

National Basketball Association

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Toronto	44	32	.579	—
x-Brooklyn	41	34	.547	2½
New York	33	44	.429	11½
Boston	23	53	.303	21
Philadelphia	17	59	.224	27
Southeast	W	L	Pct	GB
y-Miami	52	23	.693	—
x-Washington	40	36	.526	12½
Charlotte	38	38	.500	14½
Atlanta	33	42	.440	19
Orlando	21	55	.276	31½
Central	W	L	Pct	GB
y-Indiana	53	24	.688	—
x-Chicago	44	32	.579	8½
Cleveland	31	46	.403	22
Detroit	27	49	.355	25½
Milwaukee	14	62	.184	38½

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Southwest	W	L	Pct	GB
y-San Antonio	59	17	.776	—
San Antonio	50	25	.667	8½
Dallas	46	31	.597	13½
Memphis	45	31	.592	14
New Orleans	32	44	.421	27
Northwest	W	L	Pct	GB
y-Oklahoma City	55	20	.733	—
Portland	49	28	.636	7
Minnesota	38	37	.507	17
Denver	33	43	.434	22½
Utah	24	52	.316	31½
Pacific	W	L	Pct	GB
y-L.A. Clippers	54	23	.701	—
Golden State	47	29	.618	6½
Phoenix	45	31	.592	8½
Sacramento	27	49	.355	26½
L.A. Lakers	25	51	.329	28½

x-clinched playoff spot
 y-clinched division

	G	OFF	DEF	TOT	AVG
Jordan, LAC	77	314	751	1065	13.8
Drummond, DET	75	395	569	964	12.9
Love, MIN	72	215	691	906	12.6
Howard, HOU	68	226	613	839	12.3
Cousins, SAC	66	206	562	768	11.6
Noah, CHI	74	262	562	824	11.1
Aldridge, POR	65	152	567	719	11.1

Assists

	G	AST	AVG
Paul, LAC	58	629	10.8
Lawson, DEN	62	543	8.8
Wall, WAS	76	662	8.7
Rubio, MIN	75	645	8.6
Curry, GOL	73	612	8.4
Jennings, DET	74	576	7.8
Lowry, TOR	74	560	7.6

National Hockey League

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
y-Boston	77	52	18	7	111	246	165
x-Montreal	78	44	27	7	95	207	196
x-Tampa Bay	77	42	26	9	93	227	206
Detroit	77	37	26	14	88	208	217
Toronto	78	38	32	8	84	227	244
Ottawa	77	32	31	14	78	223	259
Florida	78	27	43	8	62	185	256
Buffalo	77	21	47	9	51	148	229
Metropolitan	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
y-Pittsburgh	77	49	23	5	103	237	191
N.Y. Rangers	78	43	30	5	91	210	187
Philadelphia	76	39	28	9	87	213	213
Columbus	77	39	31	7	85	215	207
New Jersey	77	33	28	16	82	188	199
Washington	77	34	30	13	81	218	233
Carolina	74	34	32	11	79	195	212
N.Y. Islanders	76	31	35	10	72	212	250

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
x-St. Louis	76	52	17	7	111	243	169
x-Colorado	76	49	21	6	104	233	206
x-Chicago	78	44	19	15	103	255	205
Minnesota	77	39	26	12	90	191	194
Dallas	76	37	28	11	85	220	216
Nashville	77	34	32	11	79	195	231
Winnipeg	78	34	34	10	78	216	230
Pacific	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
x-Anaheim	77	50	19	8	108	249	198
x-San Jose	78	49	20	9	107	239	189
x-Los Angeles	78	45	27	6	96	196	164
Phoenix	78	36	28	14	86	209	221
Vancouver	77	34	32	11	79	185	209
Calgary	78	33	38	7	73	200	228
Edmonton	78	27	42	9	63	193	259

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

Friday's Games

Memphis 100, Denver 92
 Toronto 102, Indiana 94
 Charlotte 91, Orlando 80
 Brooklyn 116, Detroit 104
 Philadelphia 111, Boston 102
 Minnesota 122, Miami 121, 2OT
 Atlanta 117, Cleveland 98
 Washington 90, New York 89
 Chicago 102, Milwaukee 90
 Utah 100, New Orleans 96
 Houston 111, Oklahoma City 107
 Phoenix 109, Portland 93
 Golden State 102, Sacramento 69
 Dallas 107, L.A. Lakers 95

Saturday's Games

Minnesota at Orlando, late
 Chicago at Washington, late
 Brooklyn at Philadelphia, late
 Charlotte at Cleveland, late
 Boston at Detroit, late
 Toronto at Milwaukee, late

Sunday's Games

New York at Miami, 1 p.m.
 L.A. Lakers at L.A. Clippers, 3:30 p.m.
 Dallas at Sacramento, 6 p.m.
 Atlanta at Indiana, 6 p.m.
 Denver at Houston, 7 p.m.
 Memphis at San Antonio, 7 p.m.
 Oklahoma City at Phoenix, 9 p.m.
 Utah at Golden State, 9 p.m.
 New Orleans at Portland, 9 p.m.

Friday's Games

Edmonton 3, Phoenix 2, SO
 Montreal 7, Ottawa 4
 Chicago 4, Columbus 3
 Calgary 7, Toronto 3
 Winnipeg 2, Washington 1
 Detroit 3, Buffalo 2
 Calgary 2, Florida 1
 Nashville 5, Anaheim 2

Saturday's Games

Philadelphia at Boston, late
 Colorado at St. Louis, late
 Washington at N.Y. Islanders, late
 Winnipeg at Toronto, late
 Detroit at Montreal, late
 Dallas at Tampa Bay, late
 Ottawa at N.Y. Rangers, late
 New Jersey at Carolina, late
 Pittsburgh at Minnesota, late
 Los Angeles at Vancouver, late
 Nashville at San Jose, late

Sunday's Games

St. Louis at Chicago, 12:30 p.m.
 Dallas at Florida, 5 p.m.
 N.Y. Islanders at Columbus, 6 p.m.
 Buffalo at Philadelphia, 7:30 p.m.
 Pittsburgh at Colorado, 8 p.m.
 Anaheim at Edmonton, 8 p.m.

League Leaders

Scoring

	G	FG	FT	PTS	AVG
Durant, OKC	74	774	646	2373	32.1
Anthony, NYK	74	724	440	2052	27.7
James, MIA	72	710	397	1922	26.7
Love, MIN	72	611	474	1872	26.0
Harden, HOU	67	508	514	1694	25.3
Griffin, LAC	76	682	451	1826	24.0
Curry, GOL	73	594	285	1709	23.4

Rebounds

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 jacknju-dy33872@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 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.

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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 or visit www.nuhopeeldercare.org

LP Project Graduation

LAKE PLACID – The Lake Placid High School Project Graduation 2014 Golf Tournament will tee off on Saturday, March 29, at the Placid Lakes Golf Course.

Registration begins at 7 a.m. before a shotgun start kicks off play at 8 a.m.

Cost is \$60 per person, \$240 per team, and includes greens fee, cart and meal.

There will be a 50/50 drawing, a raffle, straightest drive and closest to the pin contests and a \$2,000 Hole in One prize sponsored by Cohan Radio Group.

For more information, contact Charlotte McQuillen at 633-8450.

Sottile Memorial Golf

LAKE PLACID – The Lake Placid Athletic Association will be hosting the 8th Annual Nick Sottile Memorial Golf Tournament on Saturday, April 12, at the Placid Lakes Country Club.

The event is a four-person scramble with cash prizes for winning teams in each flight and individual cash prizes for closest to the line, closest to the pin and a \$2,000 Hole in One prize sponsored by Cohan Radio Group.

Cost is \$100 per golfer, \$400 per team, and there will be an 8 a.m. tee-off time.

Entry fee includes greens fee, cart, complementary beverages and

temperatures and dumped heavy snow from the Northeast to the Midwest forced the postponement of American League openers in New York, Detroit, Chicago, Cleveland and Milwaukee, and National League openers in Philadelphia and Pittsburgh.

2009 – Brad Wilkerson hit for the cycle to lead Washington over Philadelphia 7-3.

2009 – Tony Clark and Felipe Lopez each homered from both sides of the plate to lead Arizona to a 9-8 victory over Colorado.

2009 – Emilio Bonifacio hit the majors' first inside-the-park homer on opening day since 1968, swiped three bases and had four hits in Florida's

This Date In Baseball

April 6

1972 – For the first time in history, the major leagues failed to open on schedule because of a player strike, which started on April 1. The traditional season opener between Houston and Cincinnati was canceled and a total of 86 games were lost before the strike was settled.

1973 – Ron Blomberg of the New York Yankees became the first major league designated hitter. With the bases loaded in the first inning, he was walked by pitcher Luis Tiant, but the Red Sox

won 15-5.

1973 – At the Oakland Coliseum, Tony Oliva became the first designated hitter to homer. The Twins DH hit a two-run shot in the first inning off of Catfish Hunter to Minnesota to a 8-3 win.

1974 – Due to renovations at Yankee Stadium, the New York Yankees' home opener took place at Shea Stadium. It was their first home game outside Yankee Stadium since 1922.

1977 – The Seattle Mariners played their first regular-season game and lost 7-0 to the California Angels at the Kingdome.

1982 – A freak storm that brought subfreezing

lunch catered by Smoke Shack BBQ, with appetizers of shrimp and crab clusters.

Bill Jarrett Ford is helping to underwrite the event for the eighth consecutive year, but more sponsors are needed.

Sponsorship ranges from \$1,000 to \$50 hole-sponsors and lunch tickets are included with most sponsorship levels.

Proceeds from the tournament directly benefit youth sports in Lake Placid and a portion of the proceeds are donated to the Nick Sottile Memorial Scholarship Fund.

A portion of the proceeds will also be used for completion of a new sports weight-training facility

FORBES, PANTHERS STAY AHEAD OF FIRE



Dan Hoehne/News-Sun

Rodney Forbes beats this throw to first for an infield hit Friday. The Panthers would also stay just ahead of the Southeastern JV squad in the 4-3 win. South Florida plays at home again Monday night, with a 5 p.m. start against Pasco-Hernando.

HOGS

FROM PAGE A9

"The thermals pick up heat, and there's no way they can hide from them," Greene said.

Goeggle and Greene have developed a system involving teamwork to effectively hunt hogs at night.

Goeggle rides on the back of a Polaris hunting cart scanning the horizon through his thermal scope before moving his eyes to the farmland, looking for signs of rooting or a bright white spot, indicating heat from an animal.

When he spots something, Goeggle taps on the roof of the cart and gives Greene — who's wearing the night-vision goggles — directions to the animal.

Sometimes it's an armadillo, a deer, maybe even a bear.

But if it is a hog or a group of hogs, called a sounder, Goeggle and Greene determine who takes the first shot, and then a second shot from the other hunter follows to ensure a kill.

Goeggle and Greene don't want to give away all their secrets, but they say it takes perseverance and perfected techniques to hunt hogs.

Hogs are highly intelligent and thrive in a variety of climates and conditions, which Greene and

Goeggle say means they can be run off one spot only to pop up in another.

The surge in popularity of wild hog hunting locally follows a national trend of hunting hogs recreationally.

Some would argue the increased popularity of hog hunting came as a response to farmland and other property becoming overrun with wild hogs.

Others, like Mississippi State extension associate Bill Hamrick, say the translocation and release of wild hogs for hunting is largely responsible for the pervasiveness of wild hogs, which number in the millions around the country.

"There have always been some pockets of them around, but it seems like in the past 10 years, it's really gotten worse," Hamrick said.

Wild hogs are considered nuisance animals in Mississippi and Louisiana and have looser regulations than traditional game.

Landowners and leaseholders — and any hunter with the landowner or leaseholder's written permission — may hunt nuisance animals year-round at any time of day or night with no caliber restrictions on the lands they own or lease in Mississippi.

In Louisiana, wild hogs can be hunted year-round during the day.

Nighttime wild hog

hunting is allowed March 1-Aug. 31.

Those loose regulations — compared to regulations on other game — are one of the main appeals to local hunters who like to hunt all year and practice their shot between deer, turkey, duck and other game seasons.

Hogs are not Tres Atkins' go-to game animal, but he does hunt them to stay sharp in between seasons.

"There's no season on them, and there's no set limit, and it's something for me to do in between deer and turkey season," he said.

Hunter Billy Fitt was hunting coyotes when he came up on a group of hogs on a hunting trip years ago on Glasscock Island.

"I've been hunting them basically my whole life, but I got real serious about it probably three years ago," he said.

Fitt mainly hunts hogs using traps, occasionally with dogs.

"You have to be relentless," he said. "It's not like deer hunting. It takes a lot of time, and they go nocturnal if you pressure them. They're unpredictable, too. They can be in one spot one day and then two miles from it the next day.

"But it's a lot of fun when you get one."

Information from: *The Natchez Democrat*, <http://www.natchezdemocrat.com/>

DEVILS

FROM PAGE A9

The Devils then padded their lead with four more. Alex Gomez singled with one out and moved to third on a Frazier double to left.

Thompson singled Gomez home and Brown's base-knock brought Frazier in.

Martinez hit a deep fly to left-center, which

brought Thompson home, and Gordon would single up the middle to bring Brown around for a 7-0 lead.

The Tigers would scratch for two unearned runs in the top of the sixth, but Avon Park got those right back in their half.

Gomez and Frazier both walked and Brown doubled to bring Gomez in.

Frazier would soon come in on a passed ball to make it a 9-2 game.

Which it would stay as Perry squashed any notion of another McKeel rally by retiring the side in order, with two strike outs, to end it.

Now 15-3 overall, the Devils are 6-1 and sit alone atop the District 9-4A standings, two games ahead of Mulberry.

And it's the Panthers who are next on the docket as Avon Park heads to Mulberry Tuesday for their final district game of the regular season.



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Kenny McGrath threw four and two-thirds shutout innings in Avon Park's win at Head Field Friday.



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Wolves win wild double-OT affair in Miami, 122-121

Missed chance for Miami: Brewer's late FT in 2OT wins it as Heat fall to Minnesota, 122-121

TIM REYNOLDS
AP Basketball Writer

MIAMI — Corey Brewer hit one of two free throws with 1.8 seconds left in the second overtime, and the Minnesota Timberwolves beat the Miami Heat 122-121 on Friday night.

Kevin Love scored 28

points and grabbed 11 rebounds for Minnesota, which got 24 from Chase Budinger, 15 from Gorgui Dieng and 13 apiece from JJ Barea and Ricky Rubio, who also added 14 assists.

Referee Ken Mauer called the last foul on Miami's Norris Cole, saying he hit Brewer on a pass

into the paint.

Ray Allen missed a wild jumper as time expired for Miami, which blew a chance to move two games clear of Indiana in the loss column atop the Eastern Conference standings.

LeBron James scored 34 points for the Heat.

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Back on the field, Jayme Faircloth fires to first for an out as the team tries to regroup and hold true to their pledge, 'do it for 20.'

PHILLIPS

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opening game.

But it wasn't to be as the Eagles came back to win it and then took the night-

cap as well.

The results didn't get better in Thursday's twin-bill either, as the team dropped both ends to Webber, but watching the games, a difference in the team was noticeable.

In a hard-fought open-



Dan Hoehne/News-Sun

Lauren Phillips' jersey will be with the Lady Panthers as a reminder of their mission for the rest of the season.

er, South Florida held a 1-0 lead until the seventh, when an error opened the gates to a winning rally for the Warriors.

The positive trend continued in the second game as the Panthers pushed it into extra innings before

falling.

And it is a positive feeling that the team had afterward.

"It was a really good game. We all finally came together and performed," third baseman Kala Thompson said. "Instead

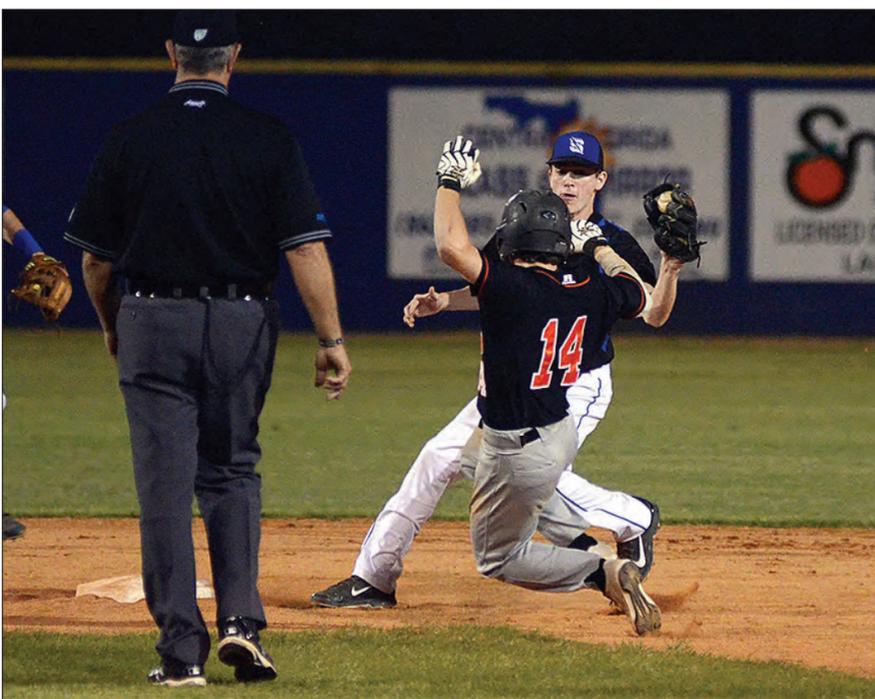
of just saying 'do it for 20' we actually did it for her."

A mindset that they hope to hold onto in what will surely be a season that continues to test them.

"It's definitely going to be the toughest season of our lives," Barnes said.

"Everything is going to remind us of her but we know that she's still with us cheering us on and believing in our girls.

"We're going to travel everywhere with her jersey so that her presence will still be in the dugout."



Dan Hoehne/News-Sun

Everett Hurst takes the throw at second and is about to tag out Lion baserunner John Tatum Friday night at Firemen's Field.

SEBRING

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McDaniel lead off with a double and reached third with one out.

But Crouch got out of it and keep the narrow lead intact.

Their run of good fortune, however, would go by the wayside in the seventh.

Norman singled to start the frame, moved up to second and then to third on a sacrifice bunt.

Crouch got Shane Miller to pop out to DeGenaro at third for the second out.

But an error on a Cameron Peppiatt groundner allowed the tying run to come in and move the game into extras.

But there would be just the one extra inning, as

Oviedo burst through for three runs in the top of the eighth.

Sebring would load the bases in the bottom half and get one run back on a Lovett sacrifice fly.

But that would be all the could muster as a frustrating week came to an end.

The team will look to regroup as they get back into district action Tuesday against Hardee.

Snow is keeping many spring athletes inside

WILSON RING
Associated Press

MONTPELIER, Vt. — The late spring is delaying time on the fields for many Vermont high school sports teams.

Montpelier High School boys' baseball team had a home scrimmage scheduled for next week and the girls' tennis team had a home match scheduled for Monday.

But both events are being pushed back because spring has been slow to

arrive.

Baseball coach J.B. McCarthy says spring sports are tough, but after a string of mild winters that saw many teams practicing outside in March, this year is a reminder that weather rules.

McCarthy says his baseball players can throw and hit inside, although they can't shag fly balls.

Senior player Zach Morrill says that can make practices more difficult, but he's more interested in getting to know

his new team.



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KIDS' HEALTH

How to stop diseases before they start

Family Features

As a parent, you make decisions every day to keep your child safe and healthy, which include keeping your child up-to-date on vaccines to help protect against serious diseases.

You may wonder if the diseases that vaccines prevent are even a threat to your child, how they offer protection and why your child needs to get their shots at certain ages.

Learning about vaccines will help you better understand why the disease protection they provide is so important for you and your family.

Germ, Germ Everywhere

There are many ways your child could be exposed to germs, like bacteria and viruses, that cause diseases. For example, germs could come from people coughing or sneezing around them or when they put toys in their mouths. When these germs get into your child's body — through their eyes, nose, mouth, or open cuts — they attack and multiply. This invasion is called an infection, which is what makes your child sick. Your child's immune system then has to work to fight it off.

If your child has received a vaccine to

protect him against a disease, it will help his immune system safely fight off the disease, and develop immunity. Vaccines act like, or imitate, an infection. This "imitation" infection does not cause illness, but instead, it causes the immune system to react in a way similar to how it does to a real infection. As a result, your child's immune system will create cells to recognize and fight the vaccine-preventable disease in the future. This protection is called immunity.

Immunity Stops Outbreaks

Immunity is important to protect your child against vaccine-preventable diseases, like whooping cough — also known as pertussis — and chickenpox, both of which still occur in the United States.

If people stopped vaccinating, even the few cases of the vaccine-preventable diseases that don't occur as commonly in the United States, like measles, could very quickly become tens or hundreds of thousands of cases.

Some of these diseases are still common in other parts of the world.

You may think this isn't a problem if you don't travel to these countries, but your child could come into contact with international travelers anywhere in your community. Kids that are not fully vaccinated

and are exposed to a disease can become seriously sick and spread it through a community.

To stop the spread of a disease, the majority of a community has to be immunized against that disease. When the majority of the community has the safe, proven protection of the vaccine, the outbreak doesn't get the opportunity to keep spreading.

Timing Is Everything

When you vaccinate your child according to CDC's recommended schedule, you are providing him with the best protection early in life, before he is exposed to life-threatening diseases. This recommended schedule is designed to protect infants and children by providing immunity when they are susceptible to diseases. The consequences of these diseases can be very serious, and even life-threatening, for infants and young children.

The CDC sets the U.S. childhood immunization schedule based on recommendations from a group of medical and public health experts called the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP). This group carefully studies all safety and effectiveness data to make recommendations about vaccines. The ACIP also looks at how severe the disease is, and the number of children who get it when there is no vaccine.

Vaccines Give You the Power to Protect

Immunizations have helped to greatly improve the health of children in the United States. By continuing to vaccinate your baby according to the recommended immunization schedule, you are giving him the best protection against 14 serious childhood illnesses before he is two years old.

To learn more about immunizations, visit the CDC online at www.cdc.gov/vaccines/parents or call 800-CDC-INFO.

Stress less at your next shot visit

Even though you know vaccines are protecting your baby against diseases, it doesn't make it less stressful for you to see your little one get shots.

Fortunately, there are simple ways you can support your child before, during and after shots.

Before Getting Shots

- Read any vaccine materials you receive from your child's health care professional and write down questions.
- Pack a favorite toy or book, and a blanket that your child uses regularly for comfort.

FOR OLDER CHILDREN

- Be honest with your child. Explain that shots can pinch or sting, but that it won't hurt for long.

At the Doctor's Office

- Ask the doctor the questions you wrote down ahead of time.
- Sit the child upright on your lap.
- Distract and comfort your child by cuddling, singing or talking softly.
- Ask your child's doctor for advice on steps you can take to comfort your child at home.

FOR OLDER CHILDREN

- Take deep breaths with your child to help "blow out" the pain.
- Point out interesting things in the room to help create distractions.
- Tell or read stories.
- Support your child if he or she cries. Never scold a child for not "being brave."

After the Shots

- Review information your doctor gives you about the shots, especially the Vaccine Information Statements or other sheets that outline which side effects might be expected.
- Use a cool, wet cloth to reduce any redness, soreness or swelling from the injection.
- Give your child lots of liquid. It's normal for some children to eat less during the 24 hours after getting vaccines.
- Pay extra attention to your child for a few days. If you see something that concerns you, call your doctor.

Preventable Diseases

Make sure your baby gets all doses of each vaccine according to the CDC's schedule for best protection against 14 serious diseases before he turns two years old:

- Chickenpox
- Diphtheria
- Flu (Influenza)
- Haemophilus influenzae type b (Hib)
- Hepatitis A
- Hepatitis B
- Measles
- Mumps
- Polio
- Pneumococcal Disease
- Rotavirus
- Rubella
- Tetanus
- Whooping Cough (Pertussis)

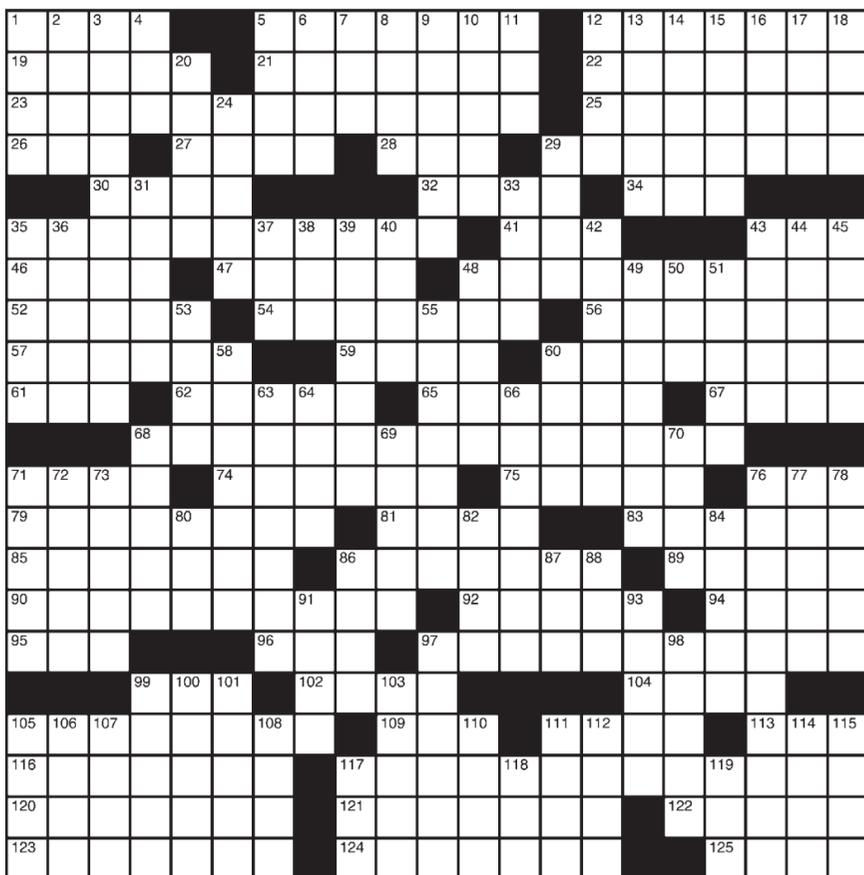


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BY J. CAPERNICK & C.C. BURNIKEL

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WEEKLY HOROSCOPE

Metro News Service

Your feelings are transparent this week, Leo

ARIES — Aries, despite a full workload, you are already looking ahead to some much-needed rest and relaxation. Focus on what's on your plate at the moment.

TAURUS — Taurus, your personal life follows you to work this week. You can often compartmentalize things, but you are finding it difficult to do that this week.

GEMINI — Gemini, information that may alter your future plans is brought to your attention this week. It is not necessarily bad news, but you will need to alter your plans a little.

CANCER — Cancer, financial responsibilities must be a priority this week. Now is the time to make important financial decisions that you have been putting off for several weeks.

LEO — Your feelings are transparent this week, Leo. You can't hide much from others, especially your romantic feelings. The person you admire will soon learn of your feelings.

VIRGO — Virgo, a lot of drama is going on behind the scenes this week. How much you get involved is entirely up to you. Just be prepared for the consequences.

LIBRA — Libra, you might have to set your personal needs aside this week in order to help a friend out of a difficult situation. You are ready to provide any assistance you can.

SCORPIO — Responsibility comes naturally to you, Scorpio. However, sometimes you just have to let loose and show off how you are feeling. Others will have a new appreciation for you.

SAGITTARIUS — You are on the brink of a breakthrough, Sagittarius. You just don't know when it is coming. Be patient and you will be pleasantly surprised with events that unfold.

CAPRICORN — A serious issue arises this week, Capricorn. You may have avoided addressing this issue in the past, but there is no putting it off now. Approach the issue with an open mind.

AQUARIUS — When an associate presents a problem, you are the perfect one to present a solution, Aquarius. Make the most of this opportunity and others will appreciate your efforts.

PISCES — Responsibilities at work may be a bit overwhelming, Pisces. You are held to a higher standard than others, and now is the time to show why.

Famous birthdays

- April 6, Paul Rudd, Actor (45); April 7, John Oates, Singer (65); April 8, John Schneider, Actor (54); April 9, Elle Fanning, Actress (16); April 10, Kasey Kahne, Race Car Driver (34); April 11, Dustin Rhodes, Wrestler (45); April 12, David Cassidy, Actor/Singer (64).

Wife is hurt over being ignored by husband's dad

DEAR ABBY: I have been married to my wonderful husband for 10 years. My father-in-law, "John," has always been a man of extremely few words with me. He mostly just ignores me when I'm around. I have mentioned it to my husband and mother-in-law over the years, and they say he's just "weird."

Last year, my brother-in-law married a nice woman, "Donna." It turns out that John talks just fine with her. He's not overly chatty, but he's friendly and polite. They had a 20-minute conversation on Christmas Eve, and I don't remember ever exchanging more than three sentences with the man. I'm naturally sociable and easygoing, and I don't know why John would treat me so rudely for so long.

Of course, I'm jealous. I would trade the father-in-law I have had for the one Donna has in a heartbeat. I'm so hurt and angry that I find it difficult to be in the same room with him now. I am seeing a therapist, which helps, but I'm still not sure how to get over this or how to proceed. Can you offer me some advice?

— LIKE I'M NOT HERE

DEAR LIKE: I'll try. There could be any number of reasons why your father-in-law has been unable to connect with you, and I can think of at least one that might have nothing to do with you. Has it occurred to you that this may have something to do with the way he feels about your husband? Sometimes the negative feelings a parent has toward a child



DEAR ABBY
Jeanne Phillips

can spill over onto the spouse. That might explain his warmer attitude toward your sister-in-law. However, if that's not the case, then you will have to accept that people don't always have the same level of chemistry with everyone — and your father-in-law isn't being intentionally hurtful. I have experienced this, and if you think about it, I'm sure you probably have, too.

I'm glad you're seeing a therapist, although I hope the reason isn't your father-in-law. If being around him is uncomfortable for you, then limit the time you spend with your in-laws. That's what I'd do.

DEAR ABBY: Over the past 35 years I have saved all the cards, letters and photographs sent to me by friends.

I thought it would be fun to make them into scrapbooks and give them back to those friends one day.

Now that I finally have the time to organize them all, I'm not so sure. They are pre-Facebook. There are lots of letters about their pregnancies, birth announcements, child-rearing experiences and holiday letters.

Can you ask your read-

ers if they would welcome something like this or should I toss them all? It's time to clean house.

— UNSURE IN THE WEST

DEAR UNSURE: I'll put the question out there, but the people who really should answer are the friends for whom you're thinking of creating those

scrapbooks. Speaking for myself, I think they would be priceless gifts, but I can't answer for everyone.

Dear Abby is written by Abigail Van Buren, also known as Jeanne Phillips, and was founded by her mother, Pauline Phillips. Write Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069.

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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!

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5	3	2	3	9	6	1	4	7
4	7	6	1	7	6	5	3	2
3	1	9	8	7	2	4	5	6

ANSWER:

'Breaking Bad' actor's memoir due in fall 2015

NEW YORK (AP) — Bryan Cranston is going to share some "secrets and lies." The Emmy-winning actor, known for his role as Walter White in "Breaking Bad," has a deal with Scribner for what is described as a "deeply can-

Cranston promises to disclose 'secrets and lies'

did" memoir.

Scribner announced Thursday the book is due out in the fall of 2015. It is currently untitled.

The 58-year-old Cranston said in a statement issued by Scribner that he promises to disclose the "secrets and lies" he en-

dured while starring in "Breaking Bad." He said that from his tortured TV character he learned both "useful" and "dangerous" lessons. Cranston also is known for his featured role in the Oscar-winning "Argo."

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

Highlands Art League has full April

Plenty of adult and kids' art classes offered

Special to the News-Sun

SEBRING — The Highlands Art League has a full schedule of classes planned for April.

If you become a HAL member, you can receive class discounts and advance notification of new classes.

For information, call 385-5312.

Adult classes

ART UNCORKED

April 8: Art Uncorked watercolor 'Wings of Spring' with instructor Kristy Harris; 6 p.m.

April 16: Art Uncorked acrylic 'Paradise Shores' with instructor Sally Lemke; 6 p.m.

April 17: Art Uncorked acrylic 'Marilyn Monroe' with instructor Megan Ekenstedt; 6 p.m.

April 24: Art Uncorked acrylic 'Shore Birds' with instructor Alice Hansen; 6 p.m.

April 25: Art Uncorked acrylic 'Funky Citrus Tree' with instructor Kristy Harris; 6 p.m.

April 29: Art Uncorked watercolor 'Parrot' with instructor Alice Hansen; 6 p.m.

April 30: Art Uncorked acrylic 'Happy Wishes' with instructor Sally Lemke; 6 p.m.

EVERY THURSDAY

Portraiture and still life drawing classes with instructor Shirley Stone. Beginning instruction on how to draw with graphite art pencils and understanding value in still life and portraiture and will carry the student through beginning and intermediate painting of still life and portrait subjects in oils. Class structured to each student's ability and progression.

EVERY TUESDAY THROUGH APRIL 29

Adult pottery classes with instructor Darian Dumont. Learn the basics of hand-building (pinch, slab and coil) and glazing, 6-8 p.m.

MAY 1: COCKTAILS & CULTURE: CITRUS

Art will focus on citrus culture, cuisine and



Courtesy photo

Kristy Harris' 'Wings of Spring' Art Uncorked watercolor class will be offered April 8.



Courtesy photo/

Alice Hansen's 'Parrot' Art Uncorked watercolor class will be offered April 29.

cocktails with the second Cocktails & Culture at the Highlands Museum of the Arts (MoTA), 351 W. Center Ave. in downtown Sebring's Cultural Center (behind Library). Citrus industry representatives will discuss the history of the citrus industry while attendees savor the flavors of citrus from 6-8 p.m. Limit 50 attendees.

MAY 22: GET SAUCED: CITRUS

HAL's first culinary art class! Local celebrity Chef Mac Gentlemen from the

Palms of Sebring, will lead attendees through the perfection of various citrus sauces. While Chef prepares the tastings, attendees will learn culinary techniques to try at home. Citrus-themed cocktails and light snacks will be provided.

Kids classes

April 12: Mommy & Me: 'Princesses and Heroes' with instructor Cheyenne Reeves; 10 a.m. Suggested ages: 2-5 years old.

April 26: Story Time Painting: 'The Sun Egg' with instructor Darian Dumont; 10 a.m. Suggested ages 6-plus who can draw a picture based on story and paint it.

EVERY TUESDAY AFTER SCHOOL

After-school children's pottery with instructor Darian Dumont. Classes are open to students ages 6-12 from 3:30-5 p.m.

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The Highlands Art League is at 1989 Lakeview Drive in Sebring.

Lake Placid Art League artists to be honored on Friday

Special to the News-Sun

SEBRING — The Highlands Art League welcomes the artists of the Lake Placid Art League as the April Artists of the Month on Friday, April 11, at the Yellow House Gallery and Gift Shop from 5-8 p.m.

The Art League will also host the Highlands County Student Art Show in its opening reception at the newly renovated Clovelly House at the same time

The Lake Placid Art League started in 1985 with humble beginnings, but now boasts an active membership with regularly scheduled events each month. Located near downtown Lake Placid, at 127 Dal Hall Blvd., it offers art classes and showcases its artists and students each month with an open house. Contact the Lake Placid Art League at 699-2058 or online at www.lakeplacidartleague.org.

Among the artists displaying their work are Joanne Rohrbaker, Joan Swanson, Christine Yarborough and Joan Pizzi, with beautiful acrylic paintings. There will also be delicate and unusual parchment art by Mary Bahler and Maria Lorant, and oils by Pat Kiesling. Also on hand are fine wood sculptures by Bill Snyder and stunning pencil artwork by Herb Frazier, as well as artwork by many talented Lake Placid Art League members.

The Friday reception includes snacks and light refreshments with live music supplied by Steve Jones. The Yellow House Gallery and Gift Shop is at 1989 Lakeview Drive. Hours are Tuesday to Friday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturdays. Call 385-5312 or visit www.highlandsartleague.org.

Student art exhibition at MOFAC

Special to the News-Sun

AVON PARK — The South Florida State College Museum of Florida Art and Culture will present "Art for All," the SFSC Juried Student Art Exhibition, April 17 through May 7

A ceremony and reception will be held on Thursday, April 17, from 12:30-3:30 p.m., in MOFAC. The exhibition will showcase the outstanding art created by SFSC art students in a juried art exhibition featuring painting, drawing, pottery, sculpture design and graphics.

Art students develop the title of the show, promotional graphics, assist with matting and framing the artwork, and help install the pieces.

Awards will be given for outstanding achievement in painting, drawing, pottery, sculpture design, and graphics. The exhibition will be juried by Joey Sacco.

The Tanglewood Art League will present the Tanglewood Art League Scholarship in the amount of \$300 to an outstanding art student. The Max Gooding Award in the amount of \$200 will be used to purchase an exceptional student art piece for the SFSC Student Art Collection.

A new award this year is the MOFAC Docents Art Award, created to recognize a student who has achieved artistic excellence and contributed to MOFAC and the Art Department.

MOFAC is open to the public Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, 12:30-4:30 p.m. Visit www.mofac.org, or contact Curator Mollie Doctow at 863-784-7240 for details.

'River Monsters' returns for 6th season

NEW YORK (AP) — Often television stars travel with assistants in charge of makeup and wardrobe. Jeremy Wade brought a tank with a black piranha and a candiru to a recent appointment.

Wade hosts Animal Planet's "River Monsters," the network's most popular series, where he goes around the world to find ugly and often legendary creatures that lurk in murky waters. "River Monsters" begins its sixth

season tonight at 9 p.m. with a story on a 1981 shipwreck in the Amazon.

Much of the season's stories are set in the Amazon, hence the piranha and candiru. Toothy piranha — you already know about them. The candiru? You don't want to. The tiny, eel-like creature has been known for very unpleasant infiltrations into humans.

Unlike many "River Monsters" episodes, where the fisherman Wade

hunts for creepy creatures, Sunday's story about the Sobra Santos is a mystery.

The overcrowded ship sank at a particularly inopportune time and location. It was pitch-black, and the ship wrecked in an eddy near a fish processing plant that attracted a hungry and vicious type of catfish. Some 200 people were killed, and many body parts of victims were missing. The catfish are known to feed on human remains.



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David Letterman, who has been hosting 'Late Show' on CBS since 1993 and was on NBC for 11 years before that. Thursday, he announced that next year will be his last on the air.

'Wrapping things up'

Letterman announces plans to retire in 2015

FRAZIER MOORE
AP Television Writer

NEW YORK — David Letterman's departure from the late-night realm won't just end an unmatched run on television.

It also will close the book on an era reaching almost to the birth of TV.

During a taping of Thursday's edition of "Late Show," Letterman startled his audience with the news that he will step down in 2015, when his current contract with CBS expires.

He specified no end date, saying he expects his exit will be in "at least a year or so, but sometime in the not too distant future — 2015, for the love of God, (band leader) Paul (Shaffer) and I will be wrapping things up."

What he'll be wrapping up is three decades on the air — the longest tenure of any late-night talk show host in U.S. television history — since he launched "Late Night" at NBC in 1982.

But more than that, he'll be ending a lineage of late-night hosts who pioneered talk and humor in the wee hours — Johnny Carson, of course, and, before him, Jack Paar and especially Steve Allen.

Ironically, they were all on NBC, the network that denied Letterman the "Tonight Show" crown he sought and, after he lost out to Jay Leno, prompted him to pitch his tent at CBS as Leno's rival.

Referring to CBS chairman Leslie Moonves as "the man who owns this network," Letterman told viewers Thursday, "I phoned him just before the program, and I said, 'Leslie, it's been great, you've been great, and the network has been great, but I'm retiring.'"

Along with his network, Letterman thanked "all of the people who have worked here, all of the people in the theater, all the people on the staff, everybody at home — thank you very much."

"What this means now," he cracked, "is that Paul and I can be married."

Since premiering with "Late Show" in 1993, Letterman, who turns 67 next week, has reigned at Broadway's Ed Sullivan Theater, a historic venue nearly a century old that was famously home to "The Ed Sullivan Show."

The Los Angeles-based Leno, 63, retired from "The Tonight Show" this year, clearing the way, not by his choice, for "Late Night" host Jimmy Fallon to move up to that TV institution.

In contrast to Leno, Letterman's leave-taking appears to be his choice.

"For 21 years, David Letterman has graced our network's air in late night with wit, gravitas and brilliance unique in the history of our medium," Moonves said. "It's going to be tough to say goodbye."

Letterman, who was a radio talk show host and local TV weatherman, moved to Los Angeles in the 1970s and, among his early gigs, was a writer and performer on a summer variety show and a member of the comedy troupe of a short-lived program starring Mary Tyler Moore.

In 1980, he hosted an NBC morning show, which lasted only five months — while winning two Emmy awards.

Two years after that, he was turned loose with "Late Night," where he clicked.

A generation later, Letterman will leave with an unparalleled comic leg-

acy of weirdness, laser-focused sarcasm and an ironic sensibility that saturated the culture. ("Letterman-esque" may not be in any dictionary, but his fans know what it means.)

Meanwhile, the famously private Letterman, a true product of his Midwest upbringing, gave the world an occasional glimpse into his inner life in ways that were as notable for their intensity as they were for their rarity.

Viewers will never forget the real-life drama surrounding his quintuple heart bypass and his triumphant return to the air in February 2000, when he brought onstage the doctors and nurses who had saved him. He was nearly in tears as he thanked them.

A week after the Sept. 11 attacks, he delivered a riveting, from-the-heart monologue, connecting with his viewers in their shared mourning and disbelief.

10 memorable quotes from David Letterman

The Associated Press

Ten memorable quotes from David Letterman, who announced he's retiring from "Late Show" on Thursday:

"I think the longer we just sit here, the more uncomfortable it will make Jay."

— Letterman after sharing awkward silence with Conan O'Brien following the fellow talk show host's mix-up with Jay Leno in 2012.

"You're going to be sick for weeks. You won't be out of the egg for a month."

— Letterman to Lady Gaga after the outlandish pop star put his notes in her mouth during an appearance in 2011.

"The creepy stuff was that I have had sex with women who worked for me on this show. Now, my response to that is yes I have. I have had sex with women who worked on this show. Would it be embarrassing if it were made public? Perhaps it would, especially for the women."

— Letterman addressing an extortion scandal that led him to bare his infidelities on the show in 2009.

"Joaquin, I'm sorry you couldn't be here tonight."

— Letterman to Joaquin Phoenix after the "Walk the Line" star's bizarre 2009 interview in which he claimed he was dropping acting to become a hip-hop musician.

"This doesn't smell right. This is not the way a tested hero behaves. Somebody's putting something in his Metamucil."

— Letterman after Republican presidential

candidate Sen. John McCain canceled his appearance at the last minute in 2008.

"How'd you like being in jail?"

— Letterman to Paris Hilton following her prison time in 2001.

"If you didn't believe it before — and it's easy to understand how you might have been skeptical on this point — if you didn't believe it before, you can absolutely believe it now: New York City is the greatest city in the world."

— Letterman during his monologue on his first show back after the Sept. 11 attacks in 2001.

"While I was gone, I had quintuple bypass surgery on my heart. Plus, I got a haircut."

— Letterman during his monologue on his first show after heart surgery in 2000.

"I can't thank you enough for that."

— Letterman after Drew Barrymore flashed her breasts to him on his birthday in 1995.

"I wanna thank you folks for coming in for this run-through show. Thank you very much. This, of course, will never see the light of day. You won't miss a thing tonight."

— Letterman to the audience after Madonna repeatedly cursed during an interview in 1994.

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

BAPTIST

Avon Park Lakes Baptist Church, 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 Catylist class (20's+) begin at 6:30 PM. The adult Bible and Prayer Time begins at 7 p.m. For more information go to www.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."

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

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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

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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.

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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.

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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.

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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.

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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/.

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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.

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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.

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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).

Faith & Familylife Worship Center, Pastors Leroy and JoAnn Taylor invite you to discover one of Sebring's hidden treasures at 2349 U.S. 27 South (Banyan Plaza off Sparta Road and Lake Jackson). We provide biblical solutions for everyday challenges through our multicultural worship services available on Sundays at 11 a.m. and Wednesdays at 7 p.m. Child care is available for all who attend. For more information, all 385-1800. Plan your first visit. Matthew 7:7 says, "Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you." Our guests are very important, so please let us know how we can meet your need by emailing theffwc@gmail.com. Our mission at Faith & Familylife is centered around Restoring Lives, Families and Communities.

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

Judge a book by its cover

Have you ever picked up a book and decided to read it because the cover caught your eye? Or vice versa?

Since the cover is the first thing you see, it's important in attracting readers. Smart publishers seek the right artistic design to draw us in. However, the contents far surpass the cover. If what's inside doesn't hold your attention, the beauty of the cover is lost.

When we published a collection of my columns in a devotional-style book, I asked myself what I wanted the reader to take away from time spent between its pages.

I wanted them to be inspired to know their Creator and experience God's peace, joy, tranquility, hope and rest; to live expectantly in his presence.

So, when a photo I had taken some years before came to mind, I quickly located it and knew I had found my cover. A tranquil lake scene with mountain backdrop and a Japanese maple in full color gracefully leaning toward the



PAUSE & CONSIDER

Jan Merop

lake quietly spoke to what was inside.

Isn't it the same with each of us?

Aren't we books that some people read by just looking at us from the outside? Perhaps, we're judged too swiftly before they get to know us. Or, just maybe we belie what is inside by putting on a good front.

In either case, it's good to consider that if we are Christians, our cover and content should match and be a reflection of the One we call Lord. We will not achieve perfection in this sinful world, but we should definitely not be practicing sinful behaviors. Rather we should

seek to please God with our lives...our choices.

Meeting with the Lord through prayer and Scripture reading allows his thought patterns to become ours. "Be diligent to present yourself approved to God, a worker who does not need to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth," says 2 Timothy 2:15, NKJV. Growing in our faith chokes out the weeds that would mar the garden of our lives.

When our son became a Marine, he had a code of ethics he must live by. Anyone seeing him in uniform knew what this courageous young man stood for. Recently, I saw a bumper sticker that gave us both shared laughter. It said, "I may look harmless, but I raised a U.S. Marine." Sometimes a humble exterior will house a courageous spirit!

Let's be open minded when looking at others while doing our best to rightly reflect our Lord from the inside out. Selah

Jan Merop of Sebring is a News-Sun correspondent.

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 Deacons meet at 5:30 p.m. first Monday of the month. Choir rehearses at 7 p.m. each Wednesday, September through April. Presbyterian Women meet at 10 a.m. the third Thursday of the month. Organist: Richard Wedig. Choir Director: Suzan Wedig. Church phone, 655-0713; e-mail, springlakepc@embarqmail.com, Web site, http://slpc.embarqspace.com.

SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST

Avon Park Seventh-day Adventist Church, 1410 West Avon Blvd., Avon Park. Phone: 453-6641 or e-mail: avonparksda@embarqmail.com, Sabbath School, 9:30 a.m. Saturday. Church Service 10:45 a.m. Saturday. Wednesday prayer meeting 7 p.m. Community Service hours on Tuesday and Thursday is from 9:00 a.m. till 2 p.m. A sale takes place the first Sunday of each month. Senior Pastor Frank Gonzalez. Walker Memorial Academy Christian School offering education for kindergarten through 12th grades. ALL ARE WELCOME. Associate Pastor is Ryan Amos. Website is www.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: Sacramento Meeting, 10-11:10 a.m.; Gospel Doctrine, 11:20 a.m. to noon; Priesthood/Relief Society, 12:10-1p.m.; Primary for children, 11:15 a.m. to 1 p.m.; Youth Activities: Wednesdays, 7-8:20 p.m. Scouts: first and third Wednesday, 7-8:20 p.m. Activity Days: 8-11 yr old Boys and Girls, second and fourth Wednesdays, 7-8:20 p.m.

THE SALVATION ARMY

The Salvation Army - Center for Worship. Sunday: Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Holiness meeting, 11 a.m.; and Praise meeting and lunch, noon. Tuesday: Bible study, 6:30 p.m.; and Women's Ministries, 7 p.m. Wednesday: Youth Ministries, 4 p.m. All meetings are at 120 N. Ridgewood Ave., Sebring. For more information, visit the Web site www.salvationarmysebring.com or call Major Bruce Stefanik at 385-7548, ext. 110.

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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BOOKS

The Associated Press

WALL STREET JOURNAL BEST-SELLERS

FICTION

1. "Insurgent" by Veronica Roth (Katherine Tegen Books)
2. "Allegiant" by Veronica Roth (Katherine Tegen Books)
3. "The Fault in Our Stars" by John Green (Dutton Books)
4. "NYPD Red 2" by James Patterson and Marshall Karp (Little, Brown)
5. "Divergent Series Complete Box" by Veronica Roth (Katherine Tegen Books)
6. "Frozen" by Victoria Saxton (Random House)
7. "Rush Revere and the First Patriots" by Rush Limbaugh (Threshold Editions)
8. "Missing You" by Harlan Coben (Dutton Adult)
9. "Blossom Street Brides" by Debbie Macomber (Ballantine)
10. "Disney Frozen" by Bill Scollon (Random House)

NONFICTION

1. "The Hungry Girl Diet" by Lisa Lillien (St. Martin's Griffin)
2. "Thrive: The Third Metric" by Arianna Huffington (Harmony)
3. "Heaven Is for Real" by Todd Burpo with Lynn Vincent (Thomas Nelson)
4. "The Hungry Girl Diet" by Lisa Lillien (St. Martin's Griffin)
5. "Thrive: The Third Metric" by Arianna Huffington (Harmony)
6. "Call the Midwife: Shadows" by Jennifer Worth (Harper Collins)
7. "Unbroken" by Lauren Hillenbrand (Random House)
8. "Killing Jesus: A History" by Bill O'Reilly & Martin Dugard (Macmillan)
9. "Uganda Be Kidding Me" by Chelsea Handler (Grand Central Publishing)
10. "Call the Midwife: Farewell" by Jennifer Worth (Ecco Press)

FICTION E-BOOKS

1. "Shadow Spell" by Nora Roberts (Berkley)
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5. "Allegiant" by Veronica Roth (Katherine Tegen Books)
6. "The Maze Runner" by James Dashner (Delacorte Books for Young Readers)
7. "Missing You" by Harlan Coben (Dutton Adult)
8. "Little Girl Lost" by Brian McGilloway (Witness Impulse)
9. "Fatal Jeopardy" by Marie Force (Carina Press)
10. "Blossom Street Brides" by Debbie Macomber (Ballantine)

NONFICTION E-BOOKS

1. "Twelve Years a Slave" by Solomon Northup (HarperCollins)
2. "The Nazi Officer's Wife" by Edith Hahn Beer (Harper Collins)
3. "Heaven Is for Real" by Todd Burpo with Lynn Vincent (Thomas Nelson)
4. "The Hungry Girl Diet" by Lisa Lillien (St. Martin's Griffin)
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USA TODAY BEST-SELLERS

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4. "Allegiant" by Veronica Roth (Katherine Tegen Books)
5. "The Fault in Our Stars" by John Green (Dutton's Children)
6. "Divergent Series Complete Box Set" by Veronica Roth (Katherine Tegen Books)
7. "NYPD Red 2" by James Patterson and Marshall Karp (Little, Brown)
8. "The Maze Runner" by James Dashner (Delacorte Books for Young Readers)
9. "Missing You" by Harlan Coben (Dutton Adult)
10. "The Fixed Trilogy" by Laurelin Paige (Published via Kindle Direct Publishing)
11. "Blossom Street Brides" by Debbie Macomber (Ballantine)
12. "The Hungry Girl Diet" by Lisa Lillien (St. Martin's Griffin)
13. "Heaven Is for Real" by Todd Burpo with Lynn Vincent (Thomas Nelson)
14. "Little Girl Lost" by Brian McGilloway (Witness Impulse)
15. "The Book Thief" by Markus Zusak (Knopf Books for Young Readers)
16. "Fatal Jeopardy" by Marie Force (Carina Press)
17. "NYPD Red" by James Patterson and Marshall Karp (Little, Brown)
18. "Daddy's Gone A Hunting" by Mary Higgins Clark (Pocket)
19. "The Goldfinch" by Donna Tartt (Little, Brown)
20. "Four Friends" by Robyn Carr (Harlequin MIRA)

Inspirational THOUGHTS & SCRIPTURES



By Patricia Valentine
Psalm 56:3-4, "What time I am afraid, I will trust in thee. In God I will praise his word, in God I have put my trust; I will not fear what flesh can do unto me." It is in the midst

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

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First lady plants White House garden for spring

DARLENE SUPERVILLE
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Spring has sprung at the White House and soon the vegetables will, too.

With lots of helping hands on Wednesday, Michelle Obama replanted her fruit and vegetable garden on the South Lawn.

New this year is a pollinator garden, an area with a variety of flowers that were chosen to help encourage the production of bees and Monarch butterflies to help spread pollen, Mrs. Obama told about two dozen students from four local schools who were invited to help with the sixth annual garden planting.

“We’re going to plant

all kinds of flowers that attract bees and butterflies, which is not going to make the Obama girls happy because they don’t really like bees,” she said of her daughters, Malia, 15, and Sasha, 12. “But bees are good. Bees are a good thing.”

Other additions to the garden are oats, specifically a variety known as Lincoln Oats, and a paw paw tree. The paw paw fruit is native to the eastern part of the country and has a soft, orange flesh that tastes like the mash-up of a banana and a mango.

Mrs. Obama’s planting effort also was aided by the founders of Food-Corps, which is part of the AmeriCorps national service program, and six of its volunteers.

New house rules

No rent from jail, bonus for snake eyes among 5 Monopoly house rules fans pick for new set

LEANNE ITALIE
Associated Press

NEWYORK — No rent collection while in jail, double the dough for landing on Go and clean out Free Parking if your luck takes you there are among five made-up Monopoly rules Facebook fans voted in for future editions of the board game.

Several thousand people weighed in on “house rules” over 10 days of recent debate and a year after Hasbro Inc. added a cat token and retired the iron in a similar online stunt aimed at keeping the 79-year-old game fresh.

“Our goal is to stay current and deliver Monopoly in a way that they want to engage with it and that means sometimes being new and having modern takes on the brand,” said Jonathan Berkowitz, vice president of marketing, ahead of Friday’s house rules announcement.

New means old all over again in this case since house rules are often passed on through generations.

Some casual players may have thought a few of the 10 in the running before debate ended Thursday were already in the official rule book.

And some, even regular players, might not have

heard of others.

Did you know some people play that moms get out of jail for free? Always. No questions asked. That one didn’t make the cut. Nor did buying houses for a property without an actual monopoly (a complete color set of properties), or starting the game by placing half of all the money on the game board for a cash-grabbing free-for-all on the count of three.

Hasbro’s house rules debate came after the company received results of a survey showing nearly 70 percent of 1,000 respondents reported never having read all Monopoly rules and 34 percent said they had made up rules more than once.

The winning house rule for landing on Go means players get 400 Monopoly dollars instead of the official 200. As for Free Parking, official rules call for absolutely nothing to happen when a player lands there.

Under the house rule, any taxes and fees collected are thrown into the middle for a lucky someone who lands on that corner square.

Rounding out the five winners are players must travel around the board one full time before they can begin buying properties, and collecting 500

bucks for rolling double ones. To appease hardcore players not interested in new rules, the Pawtucket, R.I., company will put the winners into a special House Rules Edition to be released in the fall and add them to classic Monopoly’s game guide next year as unofficial.

“There are a lot of Monopoly purists who want to play by the classic rules and don’t want to change it, but we love the idea of there being some optional rules in there that can mix up the game a little bit,” Berkowitz said.

Penney teams up with Macpherson for lingerie

ANNE D’INNOCENZO
AP Retail Writer

NEWYORK — J.C. Penney is hoping that some supermodel magic will win over shoppers in the lingerie department.

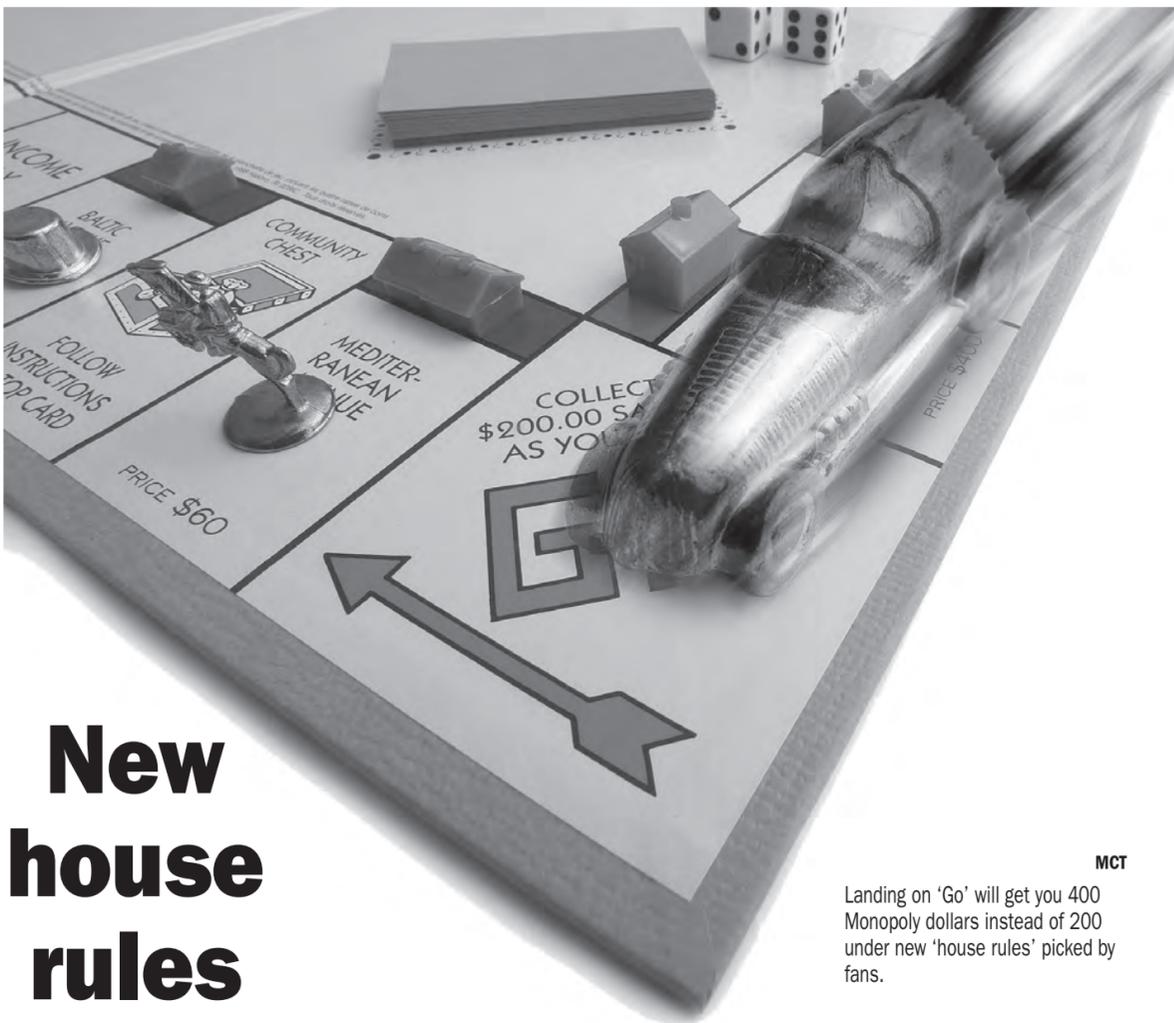
The beleaguered department store chain is launching an exclusive lingerie collection in the U.S. with a partnership with Elle Macpherson, who along with Christy Turlington, Cindy Crawford and others defined a new generation of supermodels in the 1980s.

The collection will be

in 300 of Penney’s 1,100 stores starting April 11. Penney says it will wait to see how the brand fares before deciding whether to roll it out to its other stores.

The collection, called The Body by Elle Macpherson, which refers to her nickname, offers bras and panties in mostly cotton. Its emphasis is on the smoothest, most precise fit that can be worn every day.

The collection builds on Macpherson’s lingerie business that she founded in 1990.



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Landing on ‘Go’ will get you 400 Monopoly dollars instead of 200 under new ‘house rules’ picked by fans.



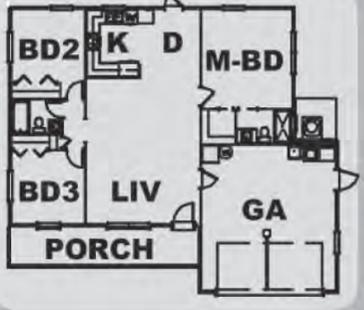
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION FILE NO. PC-14-97

IN RE: ESTATE OF JAMES OTIS KIGHT, A/K/A JAMES O. KIGHT, Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of James Otis Kight a/k/a James O. Kight, deceased, File Number PC 14-97, whose date of death was November 18, 2013, is pending in the Circuit Court for Highlands County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 590 S. Commerce Avenue, Sebring, FL 33870-3867. The name and address 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 has been served must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE TIME 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 SO FILED 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 30, 2014.

Petitioner:
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION FILE NO. PC 14-122 Division

IN RE: ESTATE OF MARY L. (Q.) THOMAS Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of MARY L. (Q.) THOMAS, deceased, whose date of death was December 1, 2013, is pending in the Circuit Court for HIGHLANDS County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 590 S. Commerce Ave., Sebring, FL 33870. The names and addresses of the personal representatives and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

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

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

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

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

The date of first publication of this Notice is April 6, 2014.

Personal Representatives:
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL ACTION CASE NO.: 28-2013-CA-000553 DIVISION: JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, Plaintiff, vs. ELIZABETH L. BENNETT, et al, Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN Pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated March 26, 2014, and entered in Case No. 28-2013-CA-000553 of the Circuit Court of the Tenth Judicial Circuit in and for Highlands County, Florida in which JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, is the Plaintiff and Elizabeth L. Bennett also known as Elizabeth L. Crews also known as Elizabeth Louise Crews, Capital One Bank (USA), N.A., Howard E. Bennett III, Tenant #1 also known as Robert Gillis, Tenant #2 also known as Jessica Gillis, The Unknown Spouse of Elizabeth L. Bennett also known as Elizabeth L. Crews also known as Elizabeth Louise Crews, are defendants, the Highlands County Clerk of the Circuit Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash in/on the Jury Assembly Room in the basement, Highlands County Courthouse, 430 South Commerce Avenue, Sebring, FL 33870, Highlands County, Florida at 11:00 AM on the 25th day of April, 2014, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment of Foreclosure:

LOT 6829 AND LOT 6830, OF AVON PARK LAKES UNIT NO. 21, ACCORDING TO THE MAP OR PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 5, PAGE 124, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.

A/K/A 3181 W XAVIER RD AVON PARK FL 33825-9488

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

Dated in Highlands County, Florida this 27th day of March, 2014.

Clerk of the Circuit Court
Highlands County, Florida
By: /s/ Priscilla Michalak
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, (863) 534-4690, within two (2) working days of your receipt of this (describe notice); if you are hearing or voice impaired, call TDD (863) 534-7777 of Florida Relay Service 711. To file response please contact Highlands County Clerk of Court, 590 S. Commerce Ave., Sebring, FL 33870-3867, Tel: (863) 402-6591; Fax: (863) 402-6664.

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Dated in Highlands County, Florida this 27th day of March, 2014.

Clerk of the Circuit Court
Highlands County, Florida
By: /s/ Priscilla Michalak
Deputy Clerk

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April 6, 13, 2013

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL ACTION CASE NO.: 28-2013-CA-000119 DIVISION: JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, Plaintiff, vs. SANDRA W. UPCHURCH, et al, Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN Pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated March 26, 2014, and entered in Case No. 28-2013-CA-000119 of the Circuit Court of the Tenth Judicial Circuit in and for Highlands County, Florida in which JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, is the Plaintiff and Sandra Upchurch, Sandra W. Upchurch a/k/a Sandra Upchurch, Florida Housing Finance Corporation, Las Villas Community Association, Inc., Lawrence E. Upchurch also known as Lawrence Upchurch, Tenant #1, Tenant #2, The Unknown Spouse of Sandra W. Upchurch also known as Sandra Upchurch, Tiki Financial Services, Inc., are defendants, the Highlands County Clerk of the Circuit Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash in/on the Jury Assembly Room in the basement, Highlands County Courthouse, 430 South Commerce Avenue, Sebring, FL 33870, Highlands County, Florida at 11:00 AM on the 25th day of April, 2014, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment of Foreclosure:

LOT 70B, LAS VILLAS AT KENILWORTH, ACCORDING TO THE MAP OR PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 17, PAGE 3, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.

A/K/A 1424 LAS VILLAS BLVD SEBRING FL 33870-1605

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

Dated in Highlands County, Florida this 27th day of March, 2014.

Clerk of the Circuit Court
Highlands County, Florida
By: /s/ Priscilla Michalak
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, (863) 534-4690, within two (2) working days of your receipt of this (describe notice); if you are hearing or voice impaired, call TDD (863) 534-7777 of Florida Relay Service 711. To file response please contact Highlands County Clerk of Court, 590 S. Commerce Ave., Sebring, FL 33870-3867, Tel: (863) 402-6591; Fax: (863) 402-6664.

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April 6, 13, 2013

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL ACTION CASE NO.: 28-2013-CA-000553 DIVISION: LPP MORTGAGE LTD., Plaintiff, vs. KIMBERLY A. SMITH, et al, Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN Pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated March 26, 2014, and entered in Case No. 28-2013-CA-000553 of the Circuit Court of the Tenth Judicial Circuit in and for Highlands County, Florida in which LPP Mortgage Ltd., is the Plaintiff and Kimberly A. Smith, Bank of America, N.A., Michael J. Smith, Tenant #1, Tenant #2, The Unknown Spouse of Kimberly A. Smith, are defendants, the Highlands County Clerk of the Circuit Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash in/on the Jury Assembly Room in the basement, Highlands County Courthouse, 430 South Commerce Avenue, Sebring, FL 33870, Highlands County, Florida at 11:00 AM on the 25th day of April, 2014, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment of Foreclosure:

LOT 2, BLOCK 526, SEBRING SHORES ADDITION, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 124, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.

A/K/A 1232 LAKEVIEW DR SEBRING FL 33870-7946

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

Dated in Highlands County, Florida this 27th day of March, 2014.

Clerk of the Circuit Court
Highlands County, Florida
By: /s/ Priscilla Michalak
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, (863) 534-4690, within two (2) working days of your receipt of this (describe notice); if you are hearing or voice impaired, call TDD (863) 534-7777 of Florida Relay Service 711. To file response please contact Highlands County Clerk of Court, 590 S. Commerce Ave., Sebring, FL 33870-3867, Tel: (863) 402-6591; Fax: (863) 402-6664.

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April 6, 13, 2013

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL ACTION CASE NO.: 28-2013-CA-000091 DIVISION: JPMC SPECIALTY MORTGAGE LLC F/K/A WM SPECIALTY MORTGAGE LLC, Plaintiff, vs. KENNETH RAY TAYLOR, et al, Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN Pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated March 26, 2014, and entered in Case No. 28-2013-CA-000091 of the Circuit Court of the Tenth Judicial Circuit in and for Highlands County, Florida in which JPMC Specialty Mortgage LLC f/k/a WM Specialty Mortgage LLC, is the Plaintiff and Kenneth Ray Taylor, are defendants, the Highlands County Clerk of the Circuit Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash in/on the Jury Assembly Room in the basement, Highlands County Courthouse, 430 South Commerce Avenue, Sebring, FL 33870, Highlands County, Florida at 11:00 AM on the 25th day of April, 2014, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment of Foreclosure:

THE NORTH 170 FEET OF LOT 2, BLOCK 43, LESS THE EAST 60 FEET THEREOF, TOWNSHIP OF AVON PARK, IN SECTION 22, TOWNSHIP 33 SOUTH, RANGE 28 EAST, HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.

A/K/A 24 EAST WALNUT STREET, AVON PARK, FL 33825

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

Dated in Highlands County, Florida this 27th day of March, 2014.

Clerk of the Circuit Court
Highlands County, Florida
By: /s/ Priscilla Michalak
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, (863) 534-4690, within two (2) working days of your receipt of this (describe notice); if you are hearing or voice impaired, call TDD (863) 534-7777 of Florida Relay Service 711. To file response please contact Highlands County Clerk of Court, 590 S. Commerce Ave., Sebring, FL 33870-3867, Tel: (863) 402-6591; Fax: (863) 402-6664.

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April 6, 13, 2013

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL ACTION CASE NO.: 282012CA000619GCAXMX DIVISION: JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, Plaintiff, vs. THERESA BROWN A/K/A THERESA L. BROWN, et al, Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN Pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated March 26, 2014, and entered in Case No. 282012CA000619GCAXMX of the Circuit Court of the Tenth Judicial Circuit in and for Highlands County, Florida in which JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, is the Plaintiff and Theresa Brown a/k/a Theresa L. Brown, Any And All Unknown Parties Claiming By, Through, Under, And Against The Herein Named Individual Defendant(s) Who Are Not Known To Be Dead Or Alive, Whether Said Unknown Parties May Claim An Interest As Spouses, Heirs, Devisees, Grantees, or Other Claimants, are defendants, the Highlands County Clerk of the Circuit Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash in/on the Jury Assembly Room in the basement, Highlands County Courthouse, 430 South Commerce Avenue, Sebring, FL 33870, Highlands County, Florida at 11:00 AM on the 25th day of April, 2014, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment of Foreclosure:

LOTS 13358, 13359, 13373 AND 13374, OF AVON PARK LAKES UNIT NO. 42, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 5, PAGE 89, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.

A/K/A 1641 W BATAVIA RD, AVON PARK, FL 33825

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

Dated in Highlands County, Florida this 27th day of March, 2014.

Clerk of the Circuit Court
Highlands County, Florida
By: /s/ Priscilla Michalak
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, (863) 534-4690, within two (2) working days of your receipt of this (describe notice); if you are hearing or voice impaired, call TDD (863) 534-7777 of Florida Relay Service 711. To file response please contact Highlands County Clerk of Court, 590 S. Commerce Ave., Sebring, FL 33870-3867, Tel: (863) 402-6591; Fax: (863) 402-6664.

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE CITY OF AVON PARK CITY COUNCIL

Please take notice the City of Avon Park City Council will conduct the final reading of **Ordinance 08-14** at their regular meeting on Monday, April 14, 2014 at 6:00PM or shortly thereafter, in the City Hall Council Chambers located at, 123 E. Pine Street, Avon Park, FL 33825. Public comments will be heard during the discussion of this agenda item. Copies of the ordinance and metes and bounds legal description are available in the City Manager's office, City Hall, 110 E. Main Street, Avon Park, FL 33825.

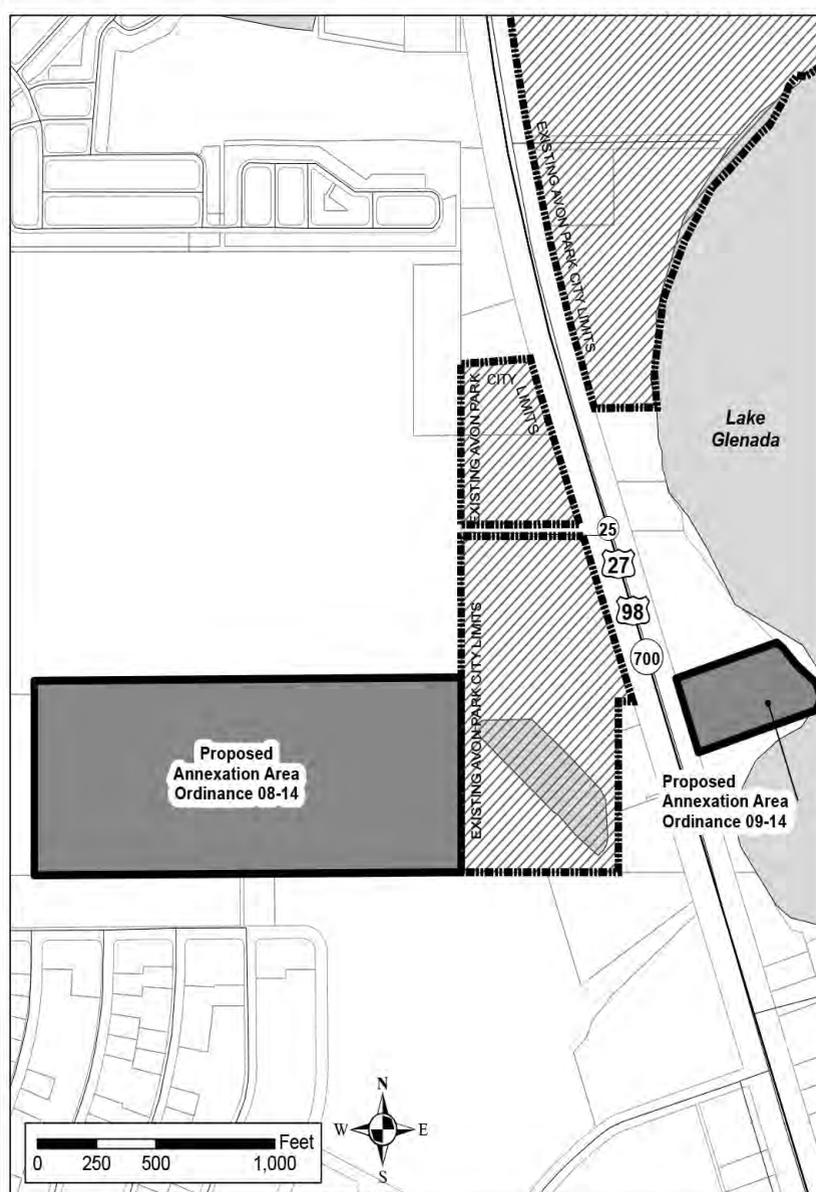
AN ORDINANCE TO ANNEX APPROXIMATELY 31.0 ACRES OF LAND OWNED BY THE CITY OF AVON PARK, LOCATED AT 2055 US 27 N. INTO THE CITY OF AVON PARK, HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA, PROVIDING FOR FINDINGS OF APPROPRIATENESS OF THE ANNEXATION, AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

The property is located at 2055 US 27 North, approximately 843 ft west of US 27 South, 545 ft to the South of Robinette Road, West of Lake Glenada's shore and 2,283 ft to the South of Lake Glenada Road.

Please take notice the City of Avon Park City Council will conduct the final reading of **Ordinance 09-14** at their regular meeting on Monday, April 14, 2014 at 6:00PM or shortly thereafter, in the City Hall Council Chambers located at, 123 E. Pine Street, Avon Park, FL 33825. Public comments will be heard during the discussion of this agenda item. Copies of the ordinance and metes and bounds legal description are available in the City Manager's office, City Hall, 110 E. Main Street, Avon Park, FL 33825.

AN ORDINANCE TO ANNEX APPROXIMATELY 3.6 ACRES OF LAND OWNED BY GURU KRUPA INVESTMENT LLC, LOCATED AT 2511 US 27 INTO THE CITY OF AVON PARK, HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA, PROVIDING FOR FINDINGS OF APPROPRIATENESS OF THE ANNEXATION, AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

The property is located at 2511 US 27 South, approximately 2,240 ft to the South of Lake Glenada Road, West of Lake Glenada's shore.



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 April 6, 13, 2014

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 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT
 OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
 IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA
 CIVIL DIVISION
 CASE NO. 28-2012-CA-000487
 ONEWEST BANK, F.S.B.
 Plaintiff,
 v.
 LAWRENCE R. HOLMES, DECEASED;
 JANET M. HOLMES, DECEASED;
 THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE HEIRS,
 BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, GRANTEES,
 ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS,
 TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHER PARTIES
 CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR
 AGAINST THE ESTATE OF JANET M.
 HOLMES, DECEASED; KARLA CARILLO
 A/K/A KARLA KAY HOLMES; UNITED
 STATES OF AMERICA, ACTING ON BEHALF
 OF THE SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND
 URBAN DEVELOPMENT;
 UNKNOWN TENANT #1; UNKNOWN
 TENANT #2; ALL OTHER UNKNOWN
 PARTIES CLAIMING INTERESTS BY,
 THROUGH, UNDER, AND AGAINST A
 NAMED DEFENDANT(S) WHO ARE NOT
 KNOWN TO BE DEAD OR ALIVE,
 WHETHER SAME UNKNOWN PARTIES
 MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST AS SPOUSES,
 HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, OR
 OTHER CLAIMANTS,
 Defendants.
 NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a
 Final Summary Judgment dated March 13,
 2014, entered in Civil Case No.:
 28-2012-CA-000487, of the Circuit Court of
 the Tenth Judicial Circuit in and for High-
 lands County, Florida, wherein ONEWEST
 BANK, F.S.B., is Plaintiff, and LAWRENCE R.
 HOLMES, DECEASED; JANET M. HOLMES,
 DECEASED; THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE HEIRS,
 BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, AS-
 SIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES
 AND ALL OTHER PARTIES CLAIMING BY,
 THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST THE ESTATE
 OF JANET M. HOLMES, DECEASED; KARLA
 CARILLO A/K/A KARLA KAY HOLMES;
 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, ACTING ON
 BEHALF OF THE SECRETARY OF HOUSING
 AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT; UNKNOWN
 TENANT #1; UNKNOWN TENANT #2; ALL
 OTHER UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING IN-
 TERESTS BY, THROUGH, UNDER, AND
 AGAINST A NAMED DEFENDANT(S) WHO
 ARE NOT KNOWN TO BE DEAD OR ALIVE,
 WHETHER SAME UNKNOWN PARTIES MAY
 CLAIM AN INTEREST AS SPOUSES, HEIRS,
 DEVISEES, GRANTEES, OR OTHER CLAIM-
 ANTS, are Defendant(s).
 ROBERT W. GERMAINE, the Clerk of
 Court shall sell to the highest bidder for cash
 at 11:00 a.m. in the Jury Assembly Room in
 the Basement of the Highlands County
 Courthouse, located at 430 South Com-
 merce Avenue, Sebring, Florida, 33870 on
 the 15th day of April, 2014, the following
 described real property as set forth in said
 Final Summary Judgment, to wit:
 LOT 10 OF HORTON'S LANDING ADDITION,
 ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, RE-
 CORDED IN PLAT BOOK 5, PAGE 21, OF THE
 PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY,
 FLORIDA.
 The property is located at the Street address
 of: 839 Lake June Road, Lake Placid, FL
 33852.
 If you are a person claiming a right to
 funds remaining after the sale, you must file
 a claim with the clerk no later than 60 days
 after the sale. If you fail to file a claim you
 will not be entitled to any remaining funds.
 After 60 days, only the owner of record as of
 the date of the lis pendens may claim the
 surplus.
 WITNESS my hand and the seal of the court
 on March 13, 2014.
 CLERK OF THE COURT
 ROBERT W. GERMAINE, CLERK
 By: /s/ Toni Kopp
 Deputy Clerk
 (COURT SEAL)
 Attorneyfor Plaintiff:
 Elizabeth R. Wellborn, P.A.
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 IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE AMERICANS
 WITH DISABILITIES ACT. If you are a person
 with a disability who needs any accommo-
 dation in order to participate in this proceed-
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 the provision of certain assistance. Please
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 tor, (863) 534-4690 withing two (2) working
 days for your receipt of this notice; if you are
 hearing or voice impaired call TDD (863)
 534-7777 or Florida Relay Service 711.
 FILE #2012-03609
 March 30; April 6, 2014
 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT
 OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
 IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA
 CIVIL DIVISION
 CASE NO.: 2012-CA-000286
 Nationstar Mortgage LLC
 Plaintiff,
 -vs.-
 David D. DeGrange a/k/a David DeGrange;
 Andrea C. West a/k/a Andrea West; Bank of
 America, National Association;
 Unknown Parties in Possession #1,
 If living, and all Unknown Parties claiming by,
 through, under and against the above named
 Defendant(s) who are not known to be dead
 or alive, whether said Unknown Parties may
 claim an interest as Spouse, Heirs, Devisees,
 Grantees, or Other Claimants; Unknown
 Parties in Possession #2, If living, and all
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 der and against the above named not known to
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 NOTICE OF SALE
 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an
 Order dated November 21, 2013, entered in
 Civil Case No. 2012-CA-000286 of the Cir-
 cuit Court of the 10th Judicial Circuit in and
 for Highlands County, Florida, wherein Na-
 tionstar Mortgage LLC, Plaintiff and David D.
 DeGrange, a/k/a David DeGrange are defen-
 dant(s), I, Clerk of Court, ROBERT W. GER-
 MAINE, will sell to the highest and best bid-
 der for cash, AT THE JURY ASSEMBLY
 ROOM IN THE BASEMENT OF THE HIGH-
 LANDS COUNTY COURTHOUSE LOCATED AT
 430 SOUTH COMMERCE AVENUE, SE-
 BRING, FLORIDA AT 11:00 A.M., April 25,
 2014, the following described property as
 set forth in said Final Judgment, to-wit:
 LOT 34, BLOCK 69, SEBRING COUNTRY
 ESTATES SECTION THREE, ACCORDING TO
 THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT
 BOOK 9, PAGE 6, PUBLIC RECORDS OF
 HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.
 ANY PERSON CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN
 THE SURPLUS FROM THE SALE, IF ANY,
 OTHER THAN THE PROPERTY OWNER AS
 OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS MUST
 FILE A CLAIM WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER THE
 SALE.
 If you are a person with a disability who
 needs any accommodation in order to partic-
 ipate in this proceeding, you are entitled,
 at no cost to you, to the provision of certain
 assistance. Please contact Court Administra-
 tion at 430 S. Commerce Avenue, Sebring,
 Florida 33870, telephone (863) 534-4690,
 within two (2) working days of receipt of this
 notice; if you are hearing or voice impaired,
 call 1-800-955-8771.

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 RN/LPN
FULL Time 3-11 Shift
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 April 6, 13, 2014

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 FOR SALE, CBS 3BR/2BA, 1 car
 gar., in Avon Park Lakes, fenced
 back yard, built in 2006, newly
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 Telephone: (863) 402-1888
 Fax: (863) 402-2436
 E-Mail: jkmpleadings@mllaw.net
 Secondary E-Mail: johnmc@mllaw.net
 Person Giving Notice:
 Candace S. Payne, Personal Representative
 9314 Payne Road
 Sebring, FL 33852
 April 6, 13, 2014

1050 Legals
 SURPLUS STATE LAND
 HIGHLANDS COUNTY S/T/R: 26/34S/28E
 COMMERCIAL BLDG on .34 acres+/-
 1205 US 27 N, Sebring, FL 33870
 PID#C-26-34-28-020-0000-0060
 Sold by quitclaim dead "AS IS," "WHERE IS"
 For complete bid and terms:
 C.J.Parks/DEP 850-245-2699 or
 Mike Millard/CBRE 561-346-2382
 Bid Deadline MAY 6, 2014 10:30 a.m. EDT

1050 Legals
 NOTICE OF INTENT OF THE SCHOOL BOARD
 OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA TO
 CONSIDER THE DEVELOPMENT OF AMEND-
 MENTS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT
 TECHNOLOGY PLAN AND NOTICE OF
 POTENTIAL PUBLIC HEARING
 NOTICE is hereby given that THE SCHOOL
 BOARD OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY is develop-
 ing amendments to the District Technology
 Plan to be effective from July 1, 2014 until
 June 30, 2017. The School Board will dis-
 cuss/approve future plans to amend the Dis-
 trict Technology Plan at a regular meeting of
 the Board on Tuesday, May 6, 2014, at 5:30
 p.m. in the Board Meeting Room, George
 Douglas Administration Building, 426 School
 Street, Sebring, Florida 33870. If requested
 by an affected person in writing within 21
 days of the date of this notice, a plan devel-
 opment workshop will be noticed in a local
 newspaper. The request must be submitted
 to Wally Cox, Superintendent, at 426 School
 Street, Sebring, Florida 33870. The purpose
 and effect of the proposed amendments is to
 modify the plan to update in accordance with
 annual review and implementation of statu-
 tory and district changes and other corrective
 measures as deemed necessary. The follow-
 ing topics will be amended: General-Since
 the original version of this District Technol-
 ogy Plan, the district no longer has school
 based technology resource teachers. Refer-
 ences to "school based" will be changed to
 "district level"; Appendix E, F and G will be
 removed; Section 2 will be updated with cur-
 rent data; Section 3.1, the list of sources to be
 used for needs assessment will be updated.
 This and latter sections includes refer-
 ences to Universal Design for Learning
 (UDL). UDL is an educational framework
 based on research in the learning sciences,
 including cognitive neuroscience, that guides
 the development of flexible learning environ-
 ments that can accommodate individual
 learning differences; All references to "Com-
 mon Core" will be changed to "Florida Stan-
 dards"; All references to South Florida Com-
 munity College will be updated to South Flor-
 ida State College; Section 3.3, Goal I. - re-
 move all references to No Child Left Behind
 (NCLB) and reword to more clearly state stu-
 dent needs. Generalize the curriculum map-
 ping software; Section 3.3 Goal II. - Provide
 adequate number of computers for computer
 based testing and increase technology sup-
 port when possible to include technical and
 instructional support. Remove all references
 to 2-way communications; Section 3.3, Goal
 III. - Remove specific reference to ISTE stan-
 dards, add statement to encourage the use
 of technology by teachers and students; Sec-
 tion 3.3, Goal IV. - Implement a full elec-
 tronic employee evaluation system, continue
 to streamline where employees can elec-
 tronically retrieve forms and documents, and
 implement an electronic benefits system;
 Section 8, Update number of district technol-
 ogy resource teachers and remove all refer-
 ences to NETS (National Education Technol-
 ogy Standards). The specific legal authority
 includes Sections 120.54, 1001.41, and
 1001.42, Florida Statutes. The School Dis-
 trict believes that the proposed rule or
 amendment will have no effect on small
 business. The School District believes that
 the proposed rule or amendment will not re-
 sult in substantial increase in costs or prices
 paid by consumers, individual industries or
 state or local government agencies, and will
 not result in significant adverse effects on
 competition, employment, investment, pro-
 ductivity, innovation or international trade
 and/or alternative approaches to the regula-
 tory objective either do not exist and/or are
 precluded by law. The cost to the School
 District of promulgating the proposed rule or
 amendment is estimated to be \$200. The
 estimated annual cost of implementing and
 enforcing the proposed rule or amendment is
 \$0. The text of the proposed rule or amend-
 ment can be obtained at the Superinten-
 dent's office (Attn. Marlene Welborn) George
 Douglas Administration Building, 426 School
 Street, Sebring, Florida 33870, between the
 hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday
 through Friday.
 THE SCHOOL BOARD
 OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY,
 BY: Wally Cox
 Superintendent & ex officio secretary
 April 6, 2014

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 FILE NO. PC 13-485
 Division
 IN RE: ESTATE OF
 ROBERT W. HALE
 Deceased.
 NOTICE TO CREDITORS
 The administration of the estate of Rob-
 ert W. Hale, deceased, whose date of death
 was August 21st, 2013, is pending in the
 Circuit Court for Highlands County, Florida,
 Probate Division, the address of which is
 430 S. Commerce Avenue, Sebring, FL
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 personal representatives and the personal
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 Personal Representative:
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 248 Tope Road
 Lake Placid, FL 33852

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Five-Day forecast for Highlands County

TODAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
Humid with times of clouds and sun	An afternoon thunderstorm possible	A couple of t-storms; not as warm	Partly sunny	Partly sunny
88° / 67°	88° / 71°	79° / 56°	75° / 53°	80° / 60°
Winds: S at 6-12 mph	Winds: S at 10-20 mph	Winds: WSW at 10-20 mph	Winds: NW at 8-16 mph	Winds: ENE at 6-12 mph

Almanac

Temperature
Readings at Archbold Biological Station in Lake Placid

High Tuesday	84°
Low Tuesday	45°
High Wednesday	85°
Low Wednesday	47°
High Thursday	86°
Low Thursday	49°

Heat Index
For 3 p.m. today

Relative humidity	39%
Expected air temperature	87°
Makes it feel like	87°

Barometer

Tuesday	30.14
Wednesday	30.09
Thursday	30.03

Precipitation

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

Tides

Readings at St. Petersburg

High	6:34 p.m.
Low	2:04 a.m.
High	none
Low	none

Readings at Palm Beach

High	2:08 a.m.
Low	8:13 a.m.
High	2:20 p.m.
Low	8:37 p.m.

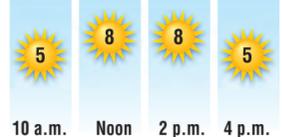
Lake Levels

Readings as of 7 a.m. yesterday

Lake Jackson	78.36'
Lake Okeechobee	13.55'
Normal	14.51'

UV Index Today

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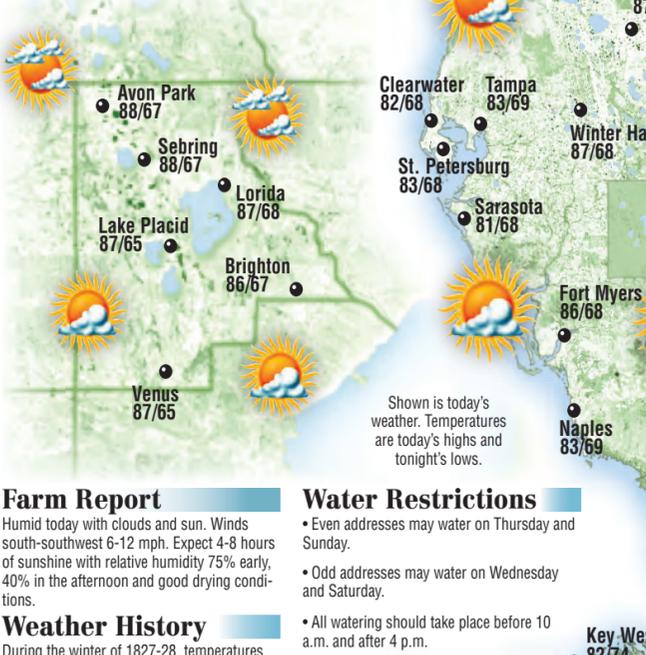


0-2 Low; 3-5 Moderate; 6-7 High; 8-10 Very High; 11+ Extreme
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Regional Summary

Humid today with clouds and sun. Partly cloudy tonight. Partly sunny and breezy tomorrow with a shower or thunderstorm possible in the afternoon. Tuesday: not as warm with showers and a thunderstorm.



Farm Report

Humid today with clouds and sun. Winds south-southwest 6-12 mph. Expect 4-8 hours of sunshine with relative humidity 75% early, 40% in the afternoon and good drying conditions.

Weather History

During the winter of 1827-28, temperatures never dropped to freezing in central Louisiana, but a sudden freeze on April 6, 1828, killed many early crops as far south as Florida.

Sun and Moon

	Today	Monday
Sunrise	7:12 a.m.	7:11 a.m.
Sunset	7:45 p.m.	7:46 p.m.
Moonrise	12:30 p.m.	1:21 p.m.
Moonset	1:23 a.m.	2:08 a.m.



Water Restrictions

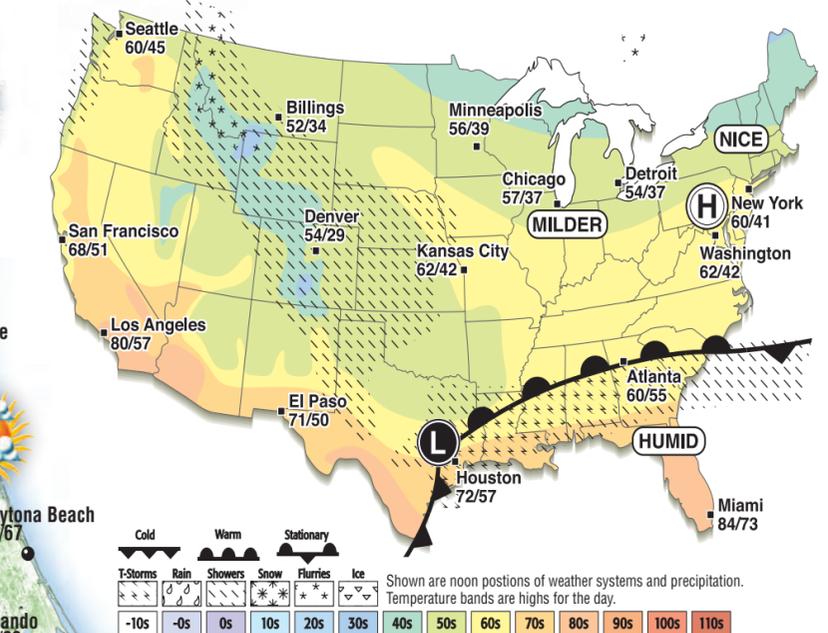
- Even addresses may water on Thursday and Sunday.
- Odd addresses may water on Wednesday and Saturday.
- All watering should take place before 10 a.m. and after 4 p.m.

Florida Cities

City	Today	Mon.	Tue.	City	Today	Mon.	Tue.
Cape Coral	86/67/pc	86/73/pc	79/58/t	Miami	84/73/pc	87/76/pc	87/64/t
Clearwater	82/68/pc	83/72/pc	73/62/t	Okeechobee	84/68/pc	86/73/pc	81/59/t
Coral Springs	85/72/pc	87/75/pc	86/62/t	Orlando	87/66/pc	87/69/pc	74/58/t
Daytona Beach	84/67/pc	84/69/pc	73/56/t	Pembroke Pines	85/73/pc	87/76/pc	87/61/t
Ft. Laud. Bch	85/76/pc	86/76/pc	87/63/t	St. Augustine	78/66/c	82/67/pc	74/53/sh
Fort Myers	86/68/pc	86/73/pc	79/60/t	St. Petersburg	83/68/pc	83/72/pc	73/62/t
Gainesville	84/63/c	82/67/pc	74/49/sh	Sarasota	81/68/pc	81/73/pc	78/58/t
Hollywood	84/73/pc	86/76/pc	87/61/t	Tallahassee	77/61/sh	76/60/t	72/45/c
Homestead AFB	83/72/pc	86/75/pc	86/64/t	Tampa	83/69/pc	83/69/pc	73/57/t
Jacksonville	77/62/c	80/63/t	75/46/sh	W. Palm Bch	83/72/pc	86/74/pc	84/61/t
Key West	82/74/pc	83/77/pc	83/67/t	Winter Haven	87/68/pc	87/70/pc	73/57/t

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

National Forecast for April 6



National Summary
Rain and thunderstorms will slowly move from south to north near the Gulf Coast today. Storms will stretch from near Houston to near Savannah; a couple could contain gusty winds. The biggest impact will be heavy, potentially flooding rainfall. Florida will be the only state in the South to escape the wet weather; it will be humid, though. Farther north, high pressure will protect the mid-Atlantic, Ohio Valley and Northeast from any weather risks. It will be mostly sunny and seasonably warm across those regions.

U.S. Cities

City	Today	Mon.	Tue.	City	Today	Mon.	Tue.
Albuquerque	63/41/pc	65/45/s	74/47/s	Los Angeles	80/57/s	90/59/s	92/62/s
Atlanta	60/55/r	68/49/t	66/42/pc	Louisville	64/50/pc	62/45/r	59/40/sh
Baltimore	60/37/s	53/45/r	67/38/c	Memphis	63/53/r	59/46/c	56/42/c
Birmingham	62/59/r	69/47/t	65/42/sh	Milwaukee	55/37/pc	50/35/c	46/33/c
Boston	55/38/s	58/44/pc	66/43/c	Minneapolis	56/39/pc	52/37/sh	49/36/c
Charlotte	66/48/c	64/53/r	67/39/pc	Nashville	68/55/c	66/43/r	60/43/sh
Cheyenne	50/31/c	50/33/c	64/39/pc	New Orleans	75/68/t	77/56/pc	68/53/c
Chicago	57/37/pc	52/37/r	45/33/c	New York City	60/41/s	58/44/r	64/41/c
Cleveland	54/36/s	48/40/r	47/33/r	Norfolk	54/43/s	60/56/r	70/46/c
Columbus	60/44/s	59/45/r	54/38/c	Oklahoma City	56/43/r	66/38/c	73/47/pc
Dallas	58/46/r	64/44/pc	72/52/pc	Philadelphia	61/42/s	56/45/r	65/40/c
Denver	54/29/c	57/33/sh	70/39/pc	Phoenix	82/60/s	88/66/s	94/69/s
Detroit	54/37/s	48/37/r	50/33/c	Pittsburgh	61/37/s	54/43/r	48/34/r
Harrisburg	61/36/s	53/44/r	62/37/c	Portland, ME	48/28/s	52/35/pc	53/38/r
Honolulu	82/70/pc	79/67/pc	80/68/pc	Portland, OR	63/45/r	72/48/s	68/47/pc
Houston	72/57/r	73/50/pc	72/49/pc	Raleigh	66/45/c	64/57/r	69/40/pc
Indianapolis	60/44/pc	49/39/r	52/36/c	Rochester	54/31/pc	57/39/r	50/29/r
Jackson, MS	63/60/r	68/47/pc	64/45/t	St. Louis	62/45/c	54/44/r	52/40/sh
Kansas City	62/42/c	57/38/sh	58/40/pc	San Francisco	68/51/s	73/53/s	73/52/s
Lexington	63/49/pc	65/43/r	58/37/c	Seattle	60/45/r	67/47/s	65/43/c
Little Rock	60/48/r	62/46/pc	61/42/c	Wash., DC	62/42/s	55/49/r	65/43/c

World Cities

City	Today	Mon.	Tue.	City	Today	Mon.	Tue.
Acapulco	89/68/s	89/69/pc	89/69/pc	London	58/52/r	58/41/r	56/41/pc
Athens	68/55/c	63/53/sh	70/52/pc	Montreal	48/34/pc	57/37/pc	45/32/r
Beirut	82/62/pc	82/61/s	70/58/s	Moscow	49/37/pc	45/30/r	41/26/pc
Berlin	66/49/pc	67/54/c	60/39/r	Nice	70/56/pc	71/56/s	72/58/r
Bermuda	73/65/pc	72/67/pc	74/69/pc	Ottawa	48/32/pc	52/35/pc	43/26/sn
Calgary	47/31/pc	57/39/pc	60/32/pc	Quebec	41/30/pc	43/32/s	39/32/sn
Dublin	57/44/r	52/35/r	52/40/pc	Rio de Janeiro	83/72/pc	86/73/pc	87/76/pc
Edmonton	46/29/pc	54/34/c	59/35/pc	Seoul	57/39/pc	62/38/pc	64/40/s
Freeport	81/72/pc	82/74/pc	82/66/t	Singapore	89/78/sh	93/78/pc	90/78/pc
Geneva	67/44/pc	72/51/pc	68/46/r	Sydney	76/60/sh	76/59/c	78/58/pc
Havana	91/68/s	90/73/pc	89/68/t	Toronto	50/34/pc	51/36/r	47/28/sn
Hong Kong	71/67/c	73/68/r	77/69/pc	Vancouver	54/46/r	57/47/pc	57/44/r
Jerusalem	80/59/s	79/53/s	69/52/s	Vienna	71/54/sh	72/53/pc	78/47/r
Johannesburg	71/48/pc	71/47/s	69/50/pc	Warsaw	59/39/pc	64/53/c	66/42/r
Kiev	54/41/s	59/42/pc	65/51/r	Winnipeg	42/29/pc	38/27/pc	43/33/pc



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