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Pharmacist charged with theft of pills

BY PHIL ATTINGER
Staff Writer

SEBRING — A Kmart pharmacist is facing charges of stealing drugs from his place of work and giving them to third parties to sell.

Kwabena Yeboah Boateng, 35, of 3237 N. Buckingham Road in Avon Park, is facing a charge of grand theft. According to Highlands County Sheriff's Office reports, pills started disappearing from the Kmart Pharmacy at Lakeshore Mall on Sept. 14, 2013.

He was arrested Wednesday. The thefts reportedly continued for six months. Reports said he took 1,000 Oxycontin pills (30 mg each) at a retail value of $888.65 and

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Education budget up, but no new buses on list

BY PHIL ATTINGER
Staff Writer

SEBRING — A federal grant and a services contract make up part of a $411,493 increase in the Highlands County School District budget for the coming school year.

That still doesn't mean the school district has money for buses, said Superintendent of Schools Wally Cox and Assistant Superintendent Mike Averyt, head of operations.

Averyt said $129,600 of the hike is to cover

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A reluctant hero comes up big

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Christopher Tuffley/News-Sun

Brad Millsap, has been a big brother to 15-year-old Eddy Batista since late in 2013.

Brad Millsap had to be talked into it, but he now loves being a 'Big'

BY CHRISTOPHER TUFFLEY
News-Sun Correspondent

Because June is the month in which we celebrate fathers, we wanted to find an Unsung Hero who touches young people's lives. We reached out to Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Gold Coast to find a volunteer who goes out of his way to mentor young people.

KiKo Vasquez, community director for Highlands, Hardee and DeSoto counties, said there are dozens of men and women who mentor children, generously giving of their time and their hearts to help young people be successful.

"All of them deserve special recognition," he said of the people known as "Bigs." The ones they mentor are known, of course, as "Littles."

But if he could chose only one Big, Vasquez said, he wanted the community to know about Brad Millsap, who has been a big brother to 15-year-old Eddy Batista since late in 2013.

Vasquez met Millsap during a Highlands County Leadership class. Impressed, Vasquez worked to recruit him as a mentor.

Millsap told Vasquez, "I've already

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Compton appointed to school board seat

She's in five-way race to win election to post

BY BARRY FOSTER
News-Sun Correspondent

SEBRING — One of the candidates for District 5 Seat of the Highlands County School Board has gotten a leg up on her competition from Tallahassee.

Gov. Rick Scott has announced the appointment of Jill Compton as a school board member of Highlands

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Phil Attinger/News-Sun

Jill Compton, candidate for Seat 5 on the School Board of Highlands County, states her qualifications at the beginning of Thursday night's candidate's forum at the Sebring Elks Lodge on Lake Jackson as (from left) Clinton Culverhouse, William 'Pep' Hutchinson, William 'Tres' Stephenson and Trevor Murphy listen.

School board candidates field questions

BY BARRY FOSTER
News-Sun Correspondent

SEBRING — It was a lightning round session, with five candidates for Highlands County School Board District 5 handling 10 questions each before the Highlands County Republican Executive Committee Thursday night.

Most questions were given either 30- or 60-second response times. It was the first session for the group after officially qualifying as candidates for the post, which was left vacant when former member Andy

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FREE ICE CREAM ON A HOT DAY

Katara Simmons/News-Sun

Ari Montalvo, 6, takes enjoys an ice cream cone Saturday afternoon along with his sister Arieli, 12, and mom Elizabeth at the new Twistee Treat location in the Wal-Mart parking lot in Sebring. Elizabeth Montalvo said 'It was delicious, very good and we had excellent service.' While not officially open, Twistee Treat was serving up free frozen treats and mini Nathan's hot dog sliders during a trial run before they open for business Wednesday. Twistee Treat employees were encouraging visitors to make a donation to the Miracle League instead of paying for their ice cream. The Miracle League was was on site raising awareness about their program for disabled individuals and collecting donations.

Highlands Hammock seeks volunteers

SEBRING — Highlands Hammock State Park is seeking volunteers for the following:

- Custodian for the Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) Museum. Duties include cleaning restrooms, vacuuming carpet, and hosting visitors.
- Volunteer experienced with zero-turn mowers to assist with mowing.
- Sebring residents to open and close Seven Lakes.

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LOCAL NEWS

■ Lake Placid residents to open and close Lake June-in-Winter Scrub State Park. Opportunities to assist with trail and facility maintenance are also available.

■ Handyman to maintain and repair rental bicycles;

■ Seven Lakes water quality monitor with lightweight kayak or portable boat.

■ Volunteers / birders to assist with Jay Watch, Florida Scrub-jay monitoring, in the mornings during the week of July 7- July 12, 2014 at Highlands Hammock, Seven Lakes and Lake June-in-Winter Scrub State Park.

Call 863-471- 5324, office of the Park Services Specialist.

Bunco at Shrine Club Tuesday

AVON PARK — The public is invited to play Bunco at the Highlands Shrine Club, 2604 SR 17 South at 11:30 a.m. Tuesday. Cost is $4 per person.

Call (863) 991-1298 for information.

Man charged with collecting debt through robbery

BY PHIL ATTINGER
Staff Writer

LAKE PLACID — An Avon Park man allegedly tried to collect on a debt by arming himself, forcing his way into the debtor's friend's home and taking that person's laptop computer and phone.

Hector Garza Jr., 32, of 2000 N. Martin Road in Avon Park is facing charges of armed burglary and robbery with a weapon. He allegedly took items in exchange for a $300 debt.

According to the Highlands County Sheriff's Office, Garza — also known to both the victim and debtor as "Peno" — knocked on the door of 17212 Brymwood Lane in Okeechobee at approximately 3 a.m. Sunday.

The man and woman living there told law enforcement officers that they opened the door to find Garza, who barged through the door holding a crowbar and demanded $300 owed to him by a third party — or anything worth that much.

Arrest reports state that Garza told the man if they didn't comply he would "crack him in the head" with the crowbar.

Garza reportedly walked through the house and took a $300 black Dell Samsung laptop, with its charger, and an $85 Boost Hydro mobile phone.

The man reported seeing two other people with Garza at the time, two of which had handguns, reports said. He didn't see what kind of car they were driving, but knew Garza drove a red Ford Mustang.

At 3:30 a.m. that same morning, the debtor was notified through Facebook about the incident. He went to 17441 Brinkerhoff Lane in Lake Placid and confronted Garza, reports said.

They argued outside Garza's car, reports said, and Garza allegedly admitted to taking the items, saying he would only give them back when the debtor paid him $300.

The debtor also said he saw three other people in the car, reports said.

EDC's Weeks job to be evaluated

BY BARRY FOSTER
News-Sun Correspondent

SEBRING — When the Highlands County Commission approved a $97,000 outlay to the Highlands County Industrial Development Authority this past March Commissioner Jim Brooks called for a probe.

"I would like to see an evaluation by the board of directors of the IDA/EDC not only of executive director Stephen Weeks but of what they are doing, where they are going and have that available to us when we look at funding for the future, coming year," he said.

Brooks called on the Economic Development Commission to coordinate with South Florida State College as well as with the Florida Heartland Rural Economic Development Initiative and Enterprise Florida, the local chambers of commerce and major employers in the county.

He also questioned whether the board of the IDA/EDC has looked into the county's comprehensive land use management plan to determine how it fits in with the overall scope of development in the county.

"All of these things I want to see done as part of the focus. I think there is a lot that needs to be done before we go running off to a trade show — unless we have a contact there we have to meet or something," he said.

"I think there are a lot of things we need to work on."

Brooks, the liaison to the IDA/EDC from the board of county commissioners, reminded commissioners he was an original member of the Council of 100 from which the IDA/EDC was created.

At least part of that request currently is under way. Highlands County EDC Chairman Paul McGehee reported an evaluation of Weeks has begun.

"The board didn't like the original format of the evaluation," he said. "So we're getting a new, upgraded form to fill out.

"I expect those to be turned in next month."

The EDC's next regularly scheduled meeting will be the second week in July.

Cops: Man assaults woman with a lemon

BY PHIL ATTINGER
Staff Writer

SEBRING — A man asked a woman to give him money for drugs, but when she said "no," he threw a lemon at her, arrest reports said.

When her husband came to her aid, he threatened to hit the man, but didn't.

Jose Luis Arroyo, 31, of Sebring has been charged with two counts of simple assault with intent to do violence.

ccording to arrest reports, the woman, 49, was inside the laundry room Wednesday when Arroyo, who lived there, asked her for $20 to go buy drugs.

She told him she was no longer going to support him, and so he blocked the doorway and demanded the money, reports said. She said no again and called for her husband to help her. That's when Arroyo threw a lemon at her. Reports said he tried to hit her face, but missed.

The husband then came out of the bedroom to the living room to tell Arroyo to leave. Reports said Arroyo became aggressive, telling the man he was going to punch him and raising his fists, but never doing it.

Deputies charged him with intent based on the fact that he had threatened the husband and had the ability to carry out the threat, reports said.

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Thursday, June 26
Day: 3-1-5 **Night:** 9-6-4
Friday, June 27
Day: 7-2-5 **Night:** 5-3-0

PLAY 4
Wednesday, June 25
Day: 6-5-1-8 **Night:** 9-0-5-9
Thursday, June 26
Day: 3-0-9-7 **Night:** 7-4-1-8
Friday, June 27
Day: 5-0-0-2 **Night:** 2-5-2-9

FANTASY 5
Wednesday, June 25
3-7-13-28-34
Thursday, June 26
9-22-25-28-30
Friday, June 27
2-9-15-16-24

LOTTO
Wednesday, June 25
2-9-21-36-39-48 X-3
Saturday's Jackpot:
$12 million

POWERBALL
Wednesday, June 25
10-20-25-50-53 PB-35 X-4
Saturday's Jackpot:
$80 million

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Friday, June 27
9-18-21-28 PB-20
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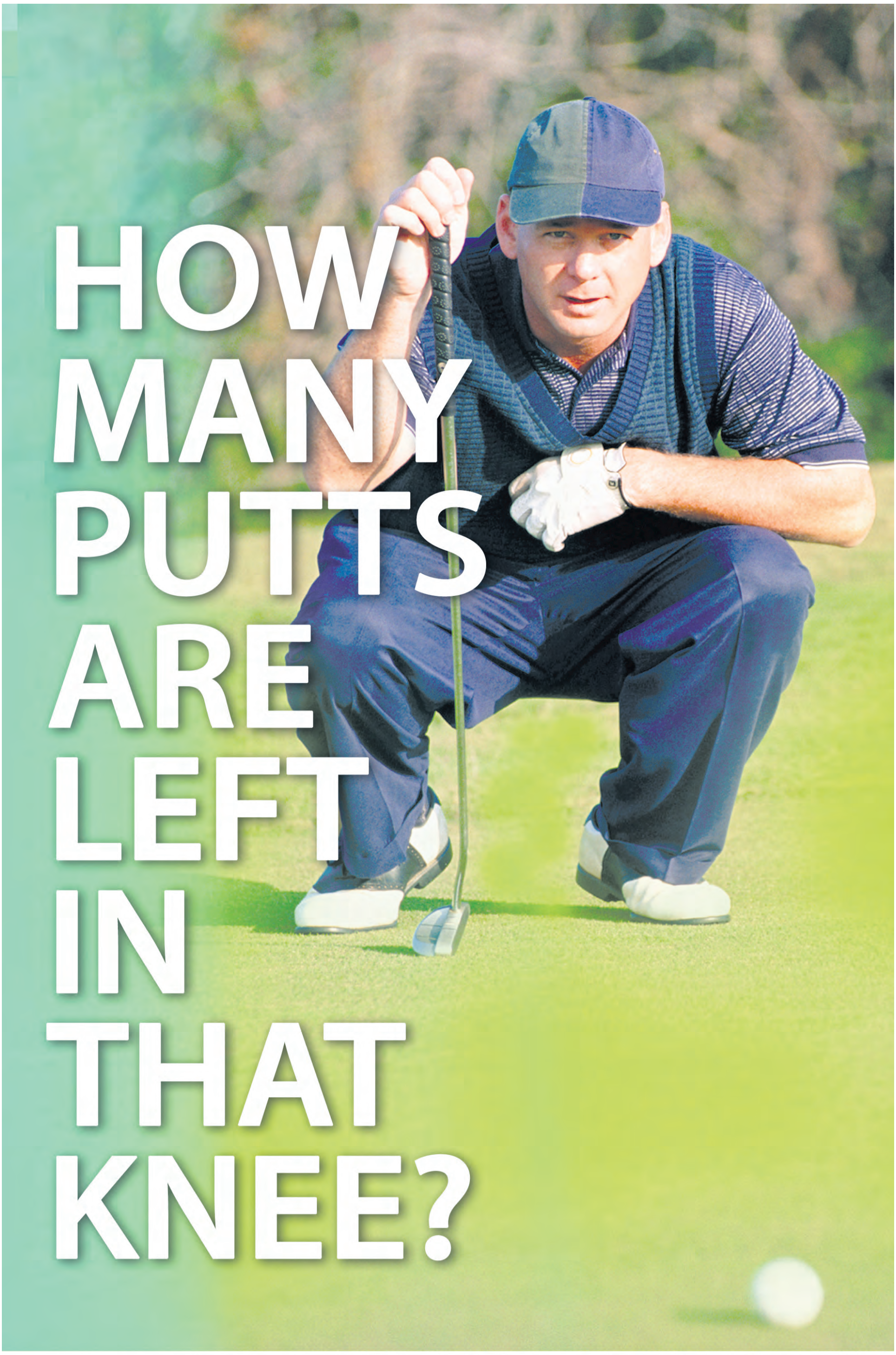

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Florida House District 55 Representative Cary Pigman congratulates Oaks at Avon Interim Administrator Melissa Fijalkowski on the U.S. News & World Report "Best Nursing Home" award as Director of Nursing Joyce Cadena looks on.

Oaks at Avon honored as one of nation's top nursing homes

BY BARRY FOSTER
News-Sun Correspondent

AVON PARK — The Oaks at Avon has been tapped as one of the best nursing homes in the country.

That honor comes from *US News & World Report* and represents evaluations of nearly 16,000 facilities across the country. Although the honorarium was issued officially this past March, the designation was celebrated Thursday in Avon Park when District 55 Florida House Representative Cary Pigman made the presentation of the plaque at the facility in the City of Charm.

"We are very excited about this. It comes on top of us winning an award for Best Nursing Home in Highlands County," said Interim Administrator Melissa Fijalkowski.

The designation is based on a number of different criteria, including data from Nursing Home Compare — a program run by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services — as well as a customer satisfaction ranking system that involves assessments submitted on behalf of residents at the facility.

"It is calculated on a star system — and we are a five-star facility," she said. "It represents their highest overall rating."

The Oaks at Avon has been serving Highlands County for better than a dozen years. According to their Website, they provide a number of post-acute services and rehabilitative services, with both short and long-term care.

Now in its sixth year, the U.S. News' "Best Nursing Homes" award is designed to help Americans who will spend time in such a facility.

The ranking provides data and information on care, safety, health inspections and staffing among other things.

Pigman talks about session at AP chamber luncheon

Touches on Stand Your Ground, Charlotte's Web

Special to the News-Sun

AVON PARK — Highlands County's State Representative Cary Pigman spoke at the Avon Park Chamber of Commerce monthly luncheon Thursday, which was sponsored by Highlands Independence Bank.

Pigman completed the Tallahassee wrap-up by providing the county with important information regarding local legislative issues.

He touched on the Charlotte's Web Bill, Stand Your Ground, and much more.

Chamber members walked away with a better understanding of the Charlotte's Web Bill. Pigman explained who it will help by telling a story of a young child suffering with epileptic seizures.

PIGMAN

The Charlotte's Web Bill legalizes the use of a noneuphoric strain of marijuana to treat conditions such as epilepsy, Lou Gehrig's disease and cancer.

Earlier this month, Gov. Rick Scott signed Senate Bill 1030, which approves the medication, and SB 1700, which protects the identities of the patients who use it.

"I now understand this new bill," said Angel Wiggins, marketing director of Royal Care of Avon Park. "It would be legalizing a strain of marijuana, a noneuphoric cannabidol (CBD). I'm not saying I agree or disagree, but I now understand."

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The events for the fourth of July will start at 11:00 a.m., with multiple food vendors, craft vendors, music, bounce houses and family activities, and a beer garden sponsored by the American Legion. It promises to be a fun-filled day, and will be followed by the amazing fireworks display sponsored by the Avon Park Jaycees and the Main Street CRA. Bring your own chairs and stay for the entire day!

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July 3.....1pm - 2pm Alzheimer's Caregivers Support Group
Where: Sebring Christian Church on Hammock Rd.

July 4.....All Day Kids Club Summer Camp.
Mon June 9, 2014 – Fri Aug 1, 2014
Where: Sun 'N Lake of Sebring,
Sun N Lake Boulevard, Sebring
Calendar: Community Events
Created by: Information Chamber

All Day Red, White & Blues Festival.
Fri, July 4 – Sat, July 5, 2014
Where: Historic Downtown Sebring
Calendar: Community Events
Created by: Information Chamber

July 9.....All Day The Wizard of Oz. July 9 – July 20, 2014
Where: Highlands Little Theatre

July 10.....1p.m. – 2p.m. Alzheimer's Caregivers Support Group
Where: Sebring Christian Church on Hammock Road

July 11.....5p.m. - 8p.m. Downtown Sebring Wine Walk
Where: Historic Downtown Sebring

July 12.....5p.m. - 8p.m. Saturday Night Cruise
Where: Historic Downtown Sebring

July 17.....1p.m. - 2p.m. Alzheimer's Caregivers Support Group
Where: Sebring Christian Church on Hammock Road

LAKE PLACID

July 4.....Lake Placid Fireworks – Lake June Ball Fields at 9p.m.

July 4.....Red, White & Blues Festival in downtown Sebring – details can be found at www.RedWhiteBluesFest.com

July 25, 26, 27.....Caladium Festival – Come enjoy the festivities, food, caladium bus tours and arts & crafts vendors in Stuart Park and uptown Lake Placid.

July 26.....Annual Car Show at DeVane Park. Pre-registration $15.00 – Day of Show $20.00, Live music and food. Registration begins at 7a.m. and closes at 2p.m. Award winners announced at 2p.m.

July 27.....3rd Annual Airboat & Swamp Buggy from 9a.m. to 3p.m. – DeVane Circle in Lake Placid – Free Admission.Trophy winners announced at 1 p.m.

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Hydromorphone (8 mg each) at a retail value of $51.20.

Boateng told deputies that he started having marital difficulties in June or July 2013. His boss also provided deputies with a written statement, which allegedly said he gave the pills to two women who found buyers for them.

This statement also allegedly "apologized for his actions and asked for forgiveness." However, most of his comments and written statement were redacted from arrest reports.

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OUR VIEW

Impact fees don't have much impact

On paper, impact fees have an appeal. The idea of looking ahead to ensure there are funds to pay for modernizing roads, additional public safety service personnel and a wider variety of parks and recreational areas simply seems sensible.

The surprise is that as good as these outcomes sound, impact fees have a poor history of getting the job done.

In 2006, with the effervescent housing boom still sizzling, 1,150 building permits were issued in Highlands County. In 2009, with the economy dragging the impact fees were put on moratorium. Even so, there were only 129 requests for new permits that year and new construction has trended downwards ever since. In 2012 and 2013, only 58 were requested.

Growth relies on a combination of factors, perhaps the most important being employment opportunities. In other words, new construction is the result of growth, not the cause.

During periods of high growth, counties also generally raise impact fees and it seems to have no impact on growth until there is a recession. During a housing bust, dropping the impact fees does almost nothing to stimulate growth until the housing market recovers.

For example, if you are buying a $150,000 house during an economic expansion and the price is $153,000, that doesn't make a whole lot of difference. Likewise, if there is a bust and the house you want to buy is $147,000 instead of $150,000, it still doesn't mean much.

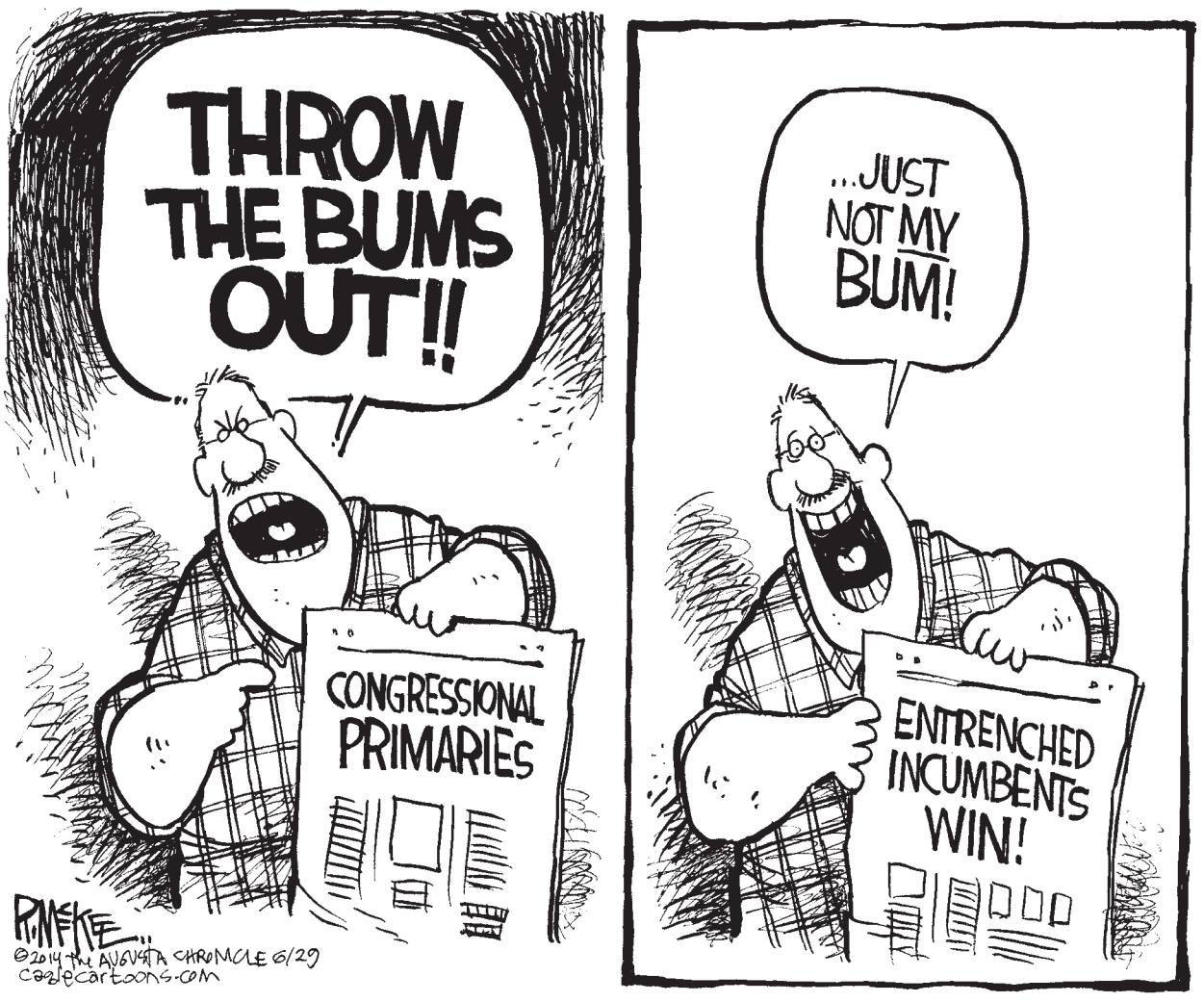
It is not the impact fees — which vary widely — that determine a sale. Much more important is the community and its opportunities as a whole.

The highest growth counties — which generally have higher impact fees — have "nicer" amenities and therefore attract more residents. The lower impact fee counties generally have fewer amenities and lower growth.

For example, Charlotte County's impact fees are about $2,000, and Collier County's are about $24,000, yet Collier is booming, while Charlotte is shrinking or stable. Obviously, impact fees are having a lack of impact there.

While we agree with the Highlands County Commission's decision to continue the moratorium of impact fees, we also think new development is so slow in coming back, they don't make a difference. Keeping them suspended is more of a feel-good measure than anything else.

There are two things we must do. We must be patient and allow economic forces to stabilize, and we should be thinking of other types of incentives — like tax breaks instead of suspended impact fees — to attract new business to the area.



True or false? It's always wise to check

LAURA'S LOOK
Laura Ware

I first read the story on Facebook, if I remember correctly. According to the tale, a little 3-year-old girl was asked to leave a Jackson, Miss., Kentucky Fried Chicken because her scarred face was "disturbing" other customers.

Kelly Mullins, the little girl's grandmother, is the one who first reported the incident on a Facebook page called "Victoria's Victories." The child, Victoria Wilcher, had been attacked by three pit bulls on her grandfather's property back in April. According to an article on www.cnn.com, she suffered bites all over her body. But her face took serious damage.

The grandmother told a CNN affiliate that Victoria lost sight in her right eye, couldn't move the right side of her face and displayed facial scars. She primarily eats through a feeding tube.

The grandmother claimed that she'd ordered mashed potatoes for the girl, thinking she could handle them. After ordering that and sweet tea, an employee allegedly asked Mullins and Victoria to leave.

The story got picked up by news networks and people went nuts. Calls went out for the firing of the employee in question. KFC launched an investigation, promising to donate $30,000 towards Victoria's medical bills. Other people sent money to the family, reportedly over $100,000. A Las Vegas doctor offered to perform reconstructive surgery on the child for no charge.

All makes for a touching tale, right? Had the story ended there I might have commented on the heartlessness of some people making a little girl self-conscious about her appearance. I might have urged readers to pray for the little girl and her family. I might have gone on about how we are too quick to judge by appearances.

But, as Paul Harvey might say, here is "the rest of the story."

The Laurel Leader-Call, a newspaper in Laurel, Miss., reported earlier this week and casted doubts on the story, claiming unnamed sources. The paper said there was no evidence that Victoria was asked to leave either Jackson Kentucky Fried Chicken or that she was even at a KFC on the day the grandmother claims they were.

Tuesday, Kentucky Fried Chicken issued the findings of not one but two investigations into the incident (one was conducted by an independent investigator). The conclusion: the incident never happened.

In a statement, the restaurant chain said it would uphold its promise to donate $30,000 to the family even though no evidence of wrongdoing was found. The statement also urged people to keep Victoria in their thoughts and prayers.

The family defended themselves on the Facebook page, claiming they were telling the truth. Soon after, the Facebook page was taken down. As I type this, there is no additional word from the family.

As I review the story, I can't help but feel sorry for Victoria. If the incident happened, she was treated cruelly. If, as the evidence appears to suggest, her family has been lying about it for whatever reason, she is being used by people who should be loving and supporting her.

It is a cautionary tale in this world of social media, where anyone with a computer and minimal skills can post whatever they want. At the risk of sounding cynical, I would tend to double and triple check stories that get their start on Facebook or the like — just because it's on the Internet or even covered by national news media doesn't make it automatically true.

(I don't know whether to feel worried or consoled by the fact the national media was taken in by this — at least it wasn't just folk like you and me).

In the end, whatever the truth is, there is still a hurting little girl out there who needs prayers and love. I am praying for her — I hope you will too.

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

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OBITUARIES

CHESTER AYDELOTTE JR.

Chester Maris Aydelotte Jr., age 94, of Portage, Ind., entered heaven June 12, 2014. He was born June 6, 1920 in Gary, Ind., the son of Chester Maris Aydelotte and Margaret (Benz) Aydelotte. Chester's early years were spent in Glen Park, Chesterton, and East Gary, Ind. where he graduated from Edison High School in 1938. During the tough times of the Great Depression he helped out by working at a dairy farm and driving a dump truck. At 18 he hired in at US Steel.

Answering Uncle Sam's call during World War II he was a Navy man on the oiler USS Lackawanna for four years in the south Pacific. Chet worked as a switchman for the EJ & E Railroad at the Gary Works of USS. He retired in 1980 with 47 years of service.

Chet is now joyously reunited with his sweetheart, Anne, who preceded him in February 2014. They were blessed with 57 years of marriage. They made their home in Portage. After retiring, they enjoyed 20 years of being Snowbirds with a home in Sebring. A kid at heart, he loved hosting kids and grandkids at Disney World and other parks. Chet and Annie returned to Portage in recent years to be near family.

Chester is survived by his children, Candice (John) Klimut of Istanbul, Turkey, Kathy (Mike) Bloomquist of Gleason, Wis., Denise (late Ed) Wodesky of Las Vegas, N.V., Lori (Tim) Larson of Portage, Ind., and Michael (Chaya) Aydelotte of Demotte, Ind.; daughter-in-law, JoAnn Aydelotte of Garner, Iowa; grandchildren, Jim (Darlene) Aydelotte and Scott (Michelle) Aydelotte of Iowa, Julie (Jamie) Belant of Wisconsin, Eric Bloomquist of Alaska, and Travis Larson of Indiana; great-granchildren, Salida Aydelotte, Derek Burgener, Cameron, Mackenzie, and Cadence Belant, Noah, Hannah, Jessie, and Kaycee Bloomquist; brother, Elmer (Billie) Aydelotte of Sebring; and brother-in-law, Paul Lazar of Bartlett, Ill. He is also survived by special friends, Julie and Felix Bannon, plus many extended relatives, step-grandchildren, and friends.

AYDELOTTE

Beside his parents, Chester was also preceded by his son, Terry Aydelotte; sisters, Katherine Speering and Helen Koda; and brothers, Raymond, Tommy and Jackie Aydelotte.

A very loving husband, dad, grandpa, great-grandpa, brother, and son, Chet was all about family. He loved deeply and unconditionally and was always there for us. Fun loving and very generous, you could always count on Dad. Dad had a special warmth about him and a great sense of humor. A Storyteller Extraordinaire, he was always willing to share his wit and wisdom. He was a very hard-working guy all his life and shared what he had with everyone.

Cameras, CB's, scanners, recorders, and computers were his passion. He used his laptop into his 90's. He enjoyed many road trips around the USA and Canada. Chet loved politics, jazz, & chocolate! Next to grandkids, campers, motorcycles, scooters, fishing and his Florida home were more favorites. What a ride!!

Dad, Miss you so much but we're happy you're free and with Mom again. Always remember how very much you're loved! "I'll see you again sometime"!! We've been richly blessed to have you in our lives!

A Celebration of Chester's Life will be held Saturday, June 28, 2014 at Evangelical Covenant Church of Portage, 5051 Central Ave., Portage with Pastor Michaile Broadnax officiating. Visit with family at 10 a.m. til time of Celebration at 11:30 a.m. Lunch at church following service. Memorials in Chester's name may be given to VNA Hospice Foundation, 2401 Valley Drive, Valparaiso, IN 46383. Arrangements were handled through Rees Funeral Home, Olson Chapel, 5341 Central Ave., Portage, IN 46368. Call (219) 762-3013 or online at www.reesfuneralhomes.com.

WESLEY NEWSOME

Wesley F. Newsome, age 77, passed away Thursday, June 26, 2014 in Avon Park Mr. Newsome was born in Statesboro, Ga. on Nov. 6, 1936 to James Hubert and Luree (Fordham) Newsome. Mr. Newsome was a plant engineer, member of the First Baptist Church in Avon Park, served in the United States Navy.

Mr. Newsome grew up in Avon Park and graduated from Avon Park High School in 1955, he was a past member of the Lions Club and past coach of Little League Baseball in Avon Park.

He is survived by his wife, Linda Newsome of Avon Park; son, Wesley Newsome Jr. (Renae) of Avon Park; step-son, Lee Trigg (Melissa) of Aledo, Texas; step-daughter, Tina Thompson (Jamie) of Avon Park, Florida; sister, Jewellene Sullivan (Matthew) of Avon Park; grandchildren, Lucas, Alex, Abby, Austin, Taylor, Kyle, Weston, Andrew, Connor and Emma; and three great-grandchildren, Alexis, Bradley and Conner. Mr. Newsome was preceded in death by his parents, James Hubert and Luree (Fordham) Newsome; daughter, Lisa Bullard; brothers, James Newsome and Delmas Newsome; and a sister, Waldyne Fletcher.

A memorial service will be held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, July 1, 2014 at the First Baptist Church in Avon Park with Rev. Jon Beck and Rev. Lee Trigg officiating. Memorial contributions may be made to Good Shepherd Hospice, 1110 Hammock Road, Sebring, FL 33870.

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MARIE PRATT

Marie L. Pratt, age 76, passed away Monday, June 23, 2014 in Sebring Mrs. Pratt was born in Fall River, Mass. on Feb. 6, 1938 to Rene and Doris (Lasonde) Choquette. She was a seamstress, member of Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church and had been a resident of Avon Park since 1998 coming from Fall River, Mass.

She is survived by her husband, William E. Pratt of Avon Park; daughters, Barbie Ann Sweeny of Attleboro, Mass. and Debbie Longworth of Mattapoisett, Mass.; step-daughter, Janet Rego of Westport, Mass.; brothers, Robert G. Choquette, Sr. of Sebring, Raymond Choquette of Pittsburg, N.H., and Roger Choquette of Fall River, Mass.; sisters, Sandra Massey of Westport, Mass. and Joan Southworth of Tiverton, R.I.; four grandsons and four granddaughters, and several nieces and nephews. Mrs. Pratt was preceded in death by her parents, a son, Edward W. Pratt and a brother, Rene Choquette Jr.

PRATT

A Memorial Mass will be held at 10 a.m. Monday, June 30, 2014 at Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church in Avon Park with Father Nick McLoughlin officiating. Memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Foundation of America, 322 Eighth Ave., 7th Floor, New York, N.Y. 10001.

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WILLIAM SELLERS

William Harold Sellers (Billy), 54, passed away May 15, 2014. He was born Sept. 7, 1959 in Lake Wales, Florida. He had a long battle with cancer.

He is survived by his mother, Shirley; father, Leland; brother, Robert; sister, Cheryl; children, Sarah, Peter, and Dylan; and four grandchildren.

Billy graduated from Sebring High School where he lettered in baseball for two years. Billy was in the Navy for four years. He was discharged with an honorable discharge. He received The Navy and Marine Corp Expeditionary Metal, Feb-Mar 80; The Navy Expeditionary Metal, Feb-July 81; and The Sea Service Ribbon, Feb-Apr 81.

SELLERS

A military memorial service will be held July 1, 2014 at 3 p.m. at the Sarasota National Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, Billy and the family wish that donations be made to Bay Pines Hospice, P.O.Box 5005, Bay Pines, FL 33744. Sign his guest book at veteransfuneralcare.com

Felon charged with owning guns, Tasers and a tomahawk

BY PHIL ATTINGER
Staff Writer

LAKE PLACID — While conducting a search of a convicted felon's home, deputies and parole officers found 14 guns, seven knives, two Tasers and a tomahawk.

He also had 26 various weapons magazines and more than 4,000 rounds of ammunition, according to Highlands County Sheriff's Office arrest reports.

They have charged Robert Alan Jolley, 58, of 1126 Sycamore St. in Lake Placid, with two counts of possession of a weapon by a convicted felon and a count of violating probation. Reports said he was under probation for a felony-level third conviction for driving under the influence.

Sheriff's deputies and members of the Florida Department of Corrections Probation and Parole office visited Jolley at 2:45 p.m. Wednesday and found guns in his bedroom and office. Reports said Jolley showed officers where the guns were located and opened the gun safe for them.

His possessions included:

- Glock model 36, a .45-caliber semi-automatic handgun
- Ruger .22-caliber revolver Single-Six
- Ruger .357-caliber Security-Six
- Smith & Wesson .45-caliber semi-automatic
- Ruger .22-caliber MKII
- Mossberg 12-gauge semi-automatic handgun
- Bushmaster .223-caliber AR-15
- Mossberg 410-gauge pump shotgun model 500E
- Ruger .22-caliber 10/22 semi-automatic rifle
- Remington .22-caliber Win Mag model 597 rifle
- Fie Corp. .25-caliber semi-automatic model Titan
- Two Smith & Wesson silver-color .380-caliber handguns
- River Johnson Arms .380-caliber handgun
- S.K. Electronics Thunder Master Taser
- Zap Enforcer Stun Gun
- Four throwing knifes
- Two hunting knives in sheaths
- One polycarbonate knife
- A tomahawk
- More than 4,000 rounds of live ammunition

Reports said Jolley and his wife gave statements, but their remarks were redacted from reports.

HERO

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raised two sons, I'm really not interested."

If it came to fundraising, he was more than happy to help, but he didn't have the time for a one-on-one relationship.

Vaquez, however, was persistent. He got Millsap to meet Eddy and Eddy's family. The family welcomed the help. Eddy's dad had little time, stretched thin earning a living, and his mother had her hands full raising Eddy and his four sisters. Eddy needed a a mentor to help him through the difficult adolescent years.

Millsap and Eddy bonded from the first time they met. The older man saying that instead of having nothing in common, "We never have enough time together. I like to visit Eddy and pick his brain. It's interesting to spend time with the next generation.

"We really talk about everything," Millsap said. "Cars, sports, how to avoid conflicts. There's nothing we don't talk about."

The pair do much more than just have conversations. Thanks to the Big Brothers Big Sisters support system, they have had access to unusual opportunities.

For example, they took a tour of Florida State University, including watching a basketball game from courtside.

What impressed Eddy the most, however, was the school library. "A whole building just filled with books," he said in wonder.

He loves that Millsap takes him out into the world, for example, showing him parts of Florida that bring the book Eddy is reading — "A Land Remembered," by Patrick Smith — to life.

They are going to take guitar lessons together, partly because they both want to learn, and partly because Eddy wants to be able to play traditional songs for his grandfather when he returns to Mexico so his grandfather will know how how much he missed him.

"We have a checklist, like a bucket list, of things we want to do," Millsap said with a grin.

For giving of himself and making a material difference in the world by introducing a young man to it, the News-Sun is pleased and grateful to name Brad Millsap our Unsung Hero for the month of June, 2014.

Prosecutors to seek death penalty in child's death

WEST PALM BEACH (AP) — Prosecutors will seek the death penalty against a woman accused of killing her ex-partner's 2-year-old daughter in an act of revenge she purportedly justified with a Bible passage, according to court documents filed earlier this week.

A court filing by the State Attorney's Office indicated prosecutors' intentions regarding Kimberly Lucas, 40, of Jupiter, who is jailed awaiting trial for first-degree murder in the May killing of Elliana Lucas-Jamason and attempted first-degree murder of the girl's 10-year-old brother, who police say was drugged. Lucas was considered a second mother to both children.

Police said she left a bizarre note to the children's biological mother, with whom she had a relationship of more than 20 years that ended last year.

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BUDGET

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the loss of a federal seed grant for "Race to the Top," a program to support teacher evaluations and professional development.

Another increase is $217,618 to cover increases in pest control ($79,000), lawn services ($8,400) and the contract with GCA Services Group to staff and manage the district's custodial and maintenance work.

Averyt said some the district has managed to save $770,000 per year over the last two years with GCA. This year's contract will be $1.69 million, along with $60,000 for custodial substitutes.

The district started outsourcing custodial work in 2002 and made a contract with GCA in 2012, Averyt said.

So far, the district has outsourced 50 percent of the work, replacing board custodians as they retire.

Averyt said there was only one new position added — a clerk in food service — and all other departments either transferred or reassigned people. Food service is self-supporting. "They break even," he said.

Vivian Waldron, director of human resources, said the district also looks to hire more teachers as they find qualified candidates.

Meanwhile, there are no plans to buy any buses until after the proposed half-cent sales tax goes to a vote this November, he said. So the transportation budget is staying at $1.61 million per year, which covers salaries, benefits, training and operations costs, including tools, parts and repairs.

According to presentations at a school district budget workshop on Thursday, only seven buses are less than five years old, while 63 percent are now older than 10 years and 37 percent will soon be older than 15 years.

With and 95 percent of the fleet is out of warranty and being inefficient, fuel costs are going up, buses are more likely to break down on the road and morale among drivers will suffer, the transportation report said.

Highlands County schools lost capital improvement revenue over the last seven years from drops in property values during the recession and when the Florida Legislature redirected a half mill — 50 cents for every $1,000 of taxable value — from the district's capital improvement fund into its general fund.

Averyt said that cut annual capital improvement revenue from $13 million to $6.9 million. School maintenance has dropped to $200,000 per year, Cox said, and the district went from buying 10 new buses each year to none in the last five years, despite buses starting to reach and exceed 250,000 miles.

Two join Heacock Insurance Group

SPECIAL TO THE NEWS-SUN

SEBRING — Heacock Insurance Group, with offices in Lakeland and Sebring, proudly announce J.C. Shoop and Michele Burton have joined the agency.

Shoop has returned to central Florida bringing several years of insurance experience to the agency in his position of commercial sales producer. In addition to building new business relationships he will continue to expand current commercial accounts in Highlands and surrounding counties.

Burton, bond specialist in the state of Florida, brings 25 years of experience to her new position with Heacock. She specializes in bonding education for new contractors, surety bonds (small, medium and large) and is a member of the National and Florida Surety Associations

Judge who punched lawyer returning to bench

ASSOCIATED PRESS

VIERA — A Florida judge accused of punching an assistant public defender during an altercation outside a courtroom is returning to the bench but in a different capacity.

Brevard County Court Judge John Murphy returns to the bench on Monday. But instead of hearing criminal cases, he will handle civil cases. Chief Judge John Harris said Friday that the reassignment isn't a form of discipline.

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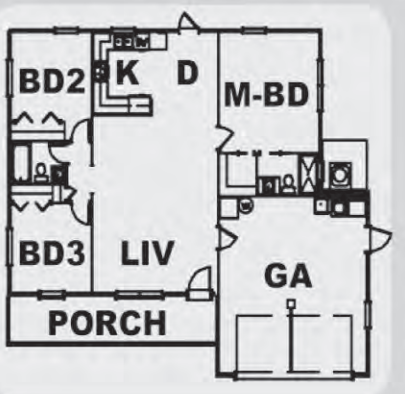

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Five candidates are running for Seat 5 of the Highlands County School Board: (from left) William 'Pep' Hutchinson, William 'Tres' Stephenson, Clinton Culverhouse, Jill Compton and Trevor Murphy.

FORUM

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Tuck was appointed to Florida's State Board of Education.

In the running are Jill Compton, Clinton Culverhouse, William "Pep" Hutchison, Treavor Murphy and William "Tres" Stephenson.

Master of ceremonies for the event was Highlands County Commissioner Don Elwell. Elwell was returned to office when he drew no opposition for the upcoming election.

"I will be having a good time watching some of these other folks campaigning tonight," he joked.

Questions were submitted on cards, then sorted by topic to avoid duplication. The candidates were taken in rotation, so that each had an opportunity to be first and a chance to answer last on a wide range of topics — from Common Core standards to the issue of bullying and even sex education in schools.

"Given the high rate of pregnancies in schools, do you favor sex education or the message of abstinence?" Elwell asked.

Murphy told the group that "this is an issue we need to face," saying that in the face of the number of pregnancies in schools, students needed to be given more education in their decision making.

Compton, Culverhouse and Hutchison all came down on the side of abstinence.

"I'd love for it to be abstinence, but it's a different world," said Stephenson in favoring additional education.

Another hot-button issue was a question about the distribution of Bibles and copies of the United States Constitution on campus. While all agreed that copies of the Constitution should be allowed to be distributed on campus, there was disagreement over distribution of Bibles.

"If you allow for one religion, then you have to allow all of them," said Compton. Stephenson also disagreed with permission to distribute Bibles on campus.

As in a previous forum, all five candidates echoed support for a proposed half-cent sales tax, which will appear on the November ballot as a voter referendum.

"This is an absolute must," said Hutchison, who warned that failure to pass the tax could result in additional expenditures being funded by a hike in local property taxes.

When asked about their top policy issue, Culverhouse cited accountability, Hutchison said graduation rates, Stephenson said underachieving schools and students, Murphy called for the establishment of measurable goals while Compton cited accountability.

The five will appear on the Aug. 26 primary ballot and are running as non-partisan candidates.

COMPTON

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County, meaning she now will run for the office as an incumbent. She takes the seat left vacant when Andy Tuck left the school board to take a post on the state Board of Education.

Scott appointed her to a term that started Friday and will last until Nov. 11.

If Compton wants to keep the job, she will have to win a five-way run for the seat with Clinton Culverhouse, Trevor Murphy, William "Pep" Hutchison and William "Tres" Stephenson. The 38-year-old Vice President of Century 21 Compton Realty has been running on a platform of having a perspective as a parent, an educator and a businesswoman.

Compton is currently an ESE Resource teacher at the Kindergarten Learning Center.

Compton received her bachelor's degree from the University of Central Florida and her Master's of Educational Leadership from the University of South Florida as well as a Master's of Communication Science and Disorders from Northern Arizona University.

Former Miss Florida says officials did right thing

ASSOCIATED PRESS

ORLANDO — A day after a vote tabulation error took away her Miss Florida crown, the former pageant winner says she's devastated about losing the title, but believes officials did the right thing.

Elizabeth Fechtel, who won the crown last week before being reduced to runner-up on Friday, told The Associated Press on Saturday that she believes that "it's fair that they go back and initially play by the rules."

Miss Florida Executive Director Mary Sullivan said Friday that the error was noticed during a routine recount and that a mark on one judge's ballot was inadvertently overlooked. The ballots were retabulated by an independent auditor, and the contestants were notified of the correct results.

The woman who'd come in second — Victoria Cowen — was named the new Miss Florida.

The change came after the Miss Delaware winner was disqualified for being too old.

Wayfinding Signage Open House

The City of Sebring Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) will continue the wayfinding master planning process July 15 & 16, inviting residents, business owners, and community stakeholders to provide input regarding the development of the city's new wayfinding signage system. AECOM, an internationally recognized design firm, will conduct a two-day wayfinding design charrette. The charrette will provide the City of Sebring CRA with recommended sign concepts and guidelines to further develop the look and feel of new wayfinding sign system. Final concepts will be based on the feedback AECOM receives from participants and stakeholders during this visit.

During the charrette, AECOM will create design recommendations and guidelines to better assist visitors and residents in navigating to and throughout Historic Downtown Sebring. The guidelines will include recommendations for gateway signs, vehicular and pedestrian directional signs, parking identification, kiosks/maps, and district identification.

Open House Schedule

Residents, business owners, community stakeholders are invited to watch AECOM work and share thoughts before the design guidelines are completed for final presentation on Wednesday, July 16th at noon.

Open house sessions will take place at Sebring City Hall Council Chambers, 368 S Commerce Ave, Sebring at these times:

• Tuesday, July 15, 2014 , 1 p.m to 4 p.m.

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SPORTS

Heartland Football Camp a hit

BY DAN HOEHNE
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SEBRING – The Heartland Football Camp sponsored by the Mary Toney H.O.P.E. Foundation took place Saturday at the Highlands County Sports Complex and continued its growth with nearly 150 campers ranging in age from grades 4 through 12.

"I wanted to do something for the Heartland," organizer and Blue Streak head coach LaVaar Scott said. "For these kids to go to camps out on the coasts, it costs gas money and then another $75 to $100 for the camp itself.

"I wanted a place where kids and coaches can come from DeSoto, Frostproof, Hardee and Okeechobee, as well as Highlands County kids, where it's not such a drive and a lower cost."

Dan Hoehne/News-Sun

Camp organizer LaVaar Scott sits in front of the nearly 150 campers who turned out for this year's Heartland Football Camp on Saturday.

At only $20 for the camp and the close proximity to other area programs, that mission is certainly on track and taking hold, as the number of campers hit a new high.

And while the campers were put through a variety of drills to improve their football skills, the aim of the camp goes beyond football as well, with Scott having a no-cursing rule and instructing the players in being attentive, respectful and doing things the right way, both on the field as well as off.

Dan Hoehne/News-Sun

Above left: There were plenty of agility drills the campers went through to enhance players quickness. Above center: There were also drills to work on player strength such as this shoulder and core routine. Above right: And although a bit too young to join in the activities on the field, Christian Toney, left, and Dalonte Trent had their own football fun Saturday morning.

Bandits help Amber Hicks become a Bronc Buster

BY DAN HOEHNE
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Travel team softball sure does broaden horizons, and in the case of Sebring's Amber Hicks, it can also open some doors.

The soon to be senior made a verbal commitment Friday to continue her softball career on the college level at Garden City Community College in Kansas.

It began when her travel team, the Stump Bandits out of Royal Palm Beach, played in a Diamond 9 showcase in Orlando.

"Coach (Becky) Gundy saw me and another girl and talked to us," Hicks said. "Before then, I had never heard of that school or knew it existed. But she was great and we set up a visit."

It so happened then that the Bandits took a trip to play a tournament in Denver, with Hicks and her parents arriving a couple days ahead of time in order to make the five-hour drive to Garden City.

Courtesy photo

Amber Hicks is a Blue Streak during the school year, a Bandit over the summer and soon to be a Bronc Buster.

"I loved it there and I knew the minute I saw the whole school that I wanted to go there because it felt as if I was at home," she said. "The coaches are awesome and all the staff that I met today were awesome as well."

And so Hicks made her decision and verbally committed to become a Bronc Buster after her senior year is complete.

"I'm not sure where I'll play, but I'll play anywhere they need me," she said. "They liked that I'm a utility

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Heat trades for Napier on draft night

TIM REYNOLDS
AP BASKETBALL WRITER

MIAMI — The Miami Heat got the guard they wanted, and made LeBron James thrilled in the process.

The Heat acquired the draft rights to Connecticut guard Shabazz Napier in a trade with the Charlotte Hornets on Thursday night, giving up the 26th and 55th picks to make the deal happen, along with a future second-round choice and cash considerations.

"My favorite player in the draft!" James tweeted in reference to Napier.

And that's a very good sign for Miami's future.

"It's a perfect moment for my family," Napier said.

Napier was taken at No. 24 by Charlotte, two slots before Miami drafted former North Carolina guard P.J. Hairston for the Hornets.

Miami took former Xavier guard Semaj Christon in the second round, also sending his rights to the Hornets.

"We're very fortunate to have drafted Shabazz and we feel very excited about him and what he can bring," Heat President Pat Riley said. "He's a two-time champion, high-motor guy, character guy."

'It's a perfect moment for my family.'
Shabazz Napier

James has opted out of the last two years of his Heat contract and will become a free agent next week, but he's clearly a fan of Napier's game.

During Connecticut's run to the NCAA title this spring, James tweeted, "No way u take another PG in the lottery before Napier."

Napier wasn't a lottery pick, but wound up on a team that clearly both wanted him and wanted to make James happy.

"It's just something special to know that one of the best players in the world thinks about you and appreciates your talent," Napier said. "That's something that I'm so humble for."

Napier averaged 13.7 points in his four seasons at Connecticut, going 12-1 in NCAA tournament games and winning two titles with the Huskies.

He averaged 18 points per game as a senior, and improved his outside shot in each of his final three college seasons.

And the Heat have done fairly well with UConn guards in the past: Ray Allen has been in Miami for the last two seasons.

"The first thing that jumps off is the winning attitude," Napier said, when asked about the parallels he sees between Miami and Connecticut. "That's one of the biggest things. When you compete at that high level, you want to win every single game.

SPORTS ON TV

TODAY

AUTO RACING

■ NHRA – Route 66 Nationals	3 p.m.	ESPN2

FIFA WORLD CUP

■ Netherlands vs. Mexico	11:30 a.m.	ESPN
■ Costa Rica vs. Greece	3:30 p.m.	ESPN

GOLF

■ PGA – Quicken Loans National	1 p.m.	GOLF
■ PGA – Quicken Loans National	3 p.m.	CBS
■ PGA – Constellation Senior Players	3 p.m.	GOLF
■ LPGA – NW Arkansas Championship	5 p.m.	GOLF
■ PGA – United Leasing Championship	7 p.m.	GOLF

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

■ Chicago White Sox at Toronto	1 p.m.	WGN
■ Tampa Bay at Baltimore	1:30 p.m.	SUN
■ Boston at N.Y. Yankees	8 p.m.	ESPN

MONDAY

FIFA WORLD CUP

■ France vs. Nigeria	11:30 a.m.	ESPN
■ Germany vs. Algeria	3:30 p.m.	ESPN

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

■ Tampa Bay at N.Y. Yankees	7 p.m.	ESPN/SUN

TUESDAY

FIFA WORLD CUP

■ Argentina vs. Switzerland	11:30 a.m.	ESPN
■ USA vs. Belgium	3:30 p.m.	ESPN

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

■ Tampa Bay at N.Y. Yankees	7 p.m.	SUN

WNBA

■ Indiana at Atlanta	8 p.m.	ESPN2
■ Chicago at Los Angeles	10 p.m.	ESPN2

SCOREBOARD

Major League Baseball

American League

East	W	L	Pct	GB
Toronto	45	37	.549	—
Baltimore	42	37	.532	1½
New York	41	37	.526	2
Boston	36	44	.450	8
Tampa Bay	33	49	.402	12
Central	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
Detroit	43	33	.566	—
Kansas City	41	38	.519	3½
Cleveland	38	41	.481	6½
Minnesota	36	42	.462	8
Chicago	37	44	.457	8½
West	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
Oakland	49	30	.620	—
Los Angeles	44	34	.564	4½
Seattle	43	37	.538	6½
Texas	36	43	.456	13
Houston	35	46	.432	15
Arizona	34	48	.415	13

Friday's Games

Tampa Bay 5, Baltimore 2, 1st game
N.Y. Yankees 6, Boston 0
Baltimore 4, Tampa Bay 1, 2nd game
Chicago White Sox 5, Toronto 4
Oakland 9, Miami 5
Texas 5, Minnesota 4
Houston 4, Detroit 3, 11 innings
Kansas City 8, L.A. Angels 6
Seattle 3, Cleveland 2

Saturday's Games

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

Sunday's Games

Chicago White Sox (Quintana 4-7) at Toronto (Buehrle 10-4), 1:07 p.m.
Oakland (Milone 5-3) at Miami (Heaney 0-2), 1:10 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Cobb 2-6) at Baltimore (Mi.Gonzalez 4-5), 1:35 p.m.
Detroit (Smyly 4-6) at Houston (Feldman 3-5), 2:10 p.m.
L.A. Angels (C.Wilson 8-6) at Kansas City (Guthrie 5-6), 2:10 p.m.
Minnesota (Gibson 6-6) at Texas (Lewis 5-5), 3:05 p.m.
Cleveland (House 0-1) at Seattle (F.Hernandez 9-2), 4:10 p.m.
Boston (Lackey 8-5) at N.Y. Yankees (Whitley 3-1), 8:05 p.m.

LEAGUE LEADERS

BATTING–Altuve, Houston, .342; VMartinez, Detroit, .328; Beltre, Texas, .325; Brantley, Cleveland, .322; MiCabrera, Detroit, .321.
RUNS–Dozier, Minnesota, 60; Donaldson, Oakland, 55; Encarnacion, Toronto, 55; Bautista, Toronto, 54; Kinsler, Detroit, 54.
RBI–NCruz, Baltimore, 66; Encarnacion, Toronto, 65; MiCabrera, Detroit, 64; JAbreu, Chicago, 63; Donaldson, Oakland, 59; Trout, Los Angeles, 59.
HITS–Altuve, Houston, 111; MeCabrera, Toronto, 103; AJones, Baltimore, 99; Kinsler, Detroit, 98; Markakis, Baltimore, 97; VMartinez, Detroit, 95.
DOUBLES–MiCabrera, Detroit, 28; Altuve, Houston, 24; Kinsler, Detroit, 24; Pedroia, Boston, 23; EEscobar, Minnesota, 22; Plouffe, Minnesota, 22; 5 tied at 21.
TRIPLES–Rios, Texas, 8; Bourn, Cleveland, 7; Eaton, Chicago, 6; Trout, Los Angeles, 5; Gardner, New York, 4; Reddick, Oakland, 4.
HOME RUNS–JAbreu, Chicago, 25; NCruz, Baltimore, 25; Encarnacion, Toronto, 25; VMartinez, Detroit, 20; 4 tied at 18.
STOLEN BASES–Altuve, Houston, 32; RDavis, Detroit, 21; Ellsbury, New York, 21; AEscobar, Kansas City, 20; Andrus, Texas, 18; LMartin, Texas, 17.
PITCHING–Tanaka, New York, 11-2; Porcello, Detroit, 10-4; Buehrle, Toronto, 10-4; FHernandez, Seattle, 9-2; Scherzer, Detroit, 9-3; Kazmir, Oakland, 9-3.
ERA–Tanaka, New York, 2.11; FHernandez, Seattle, 2.24; Buehrle, Toronto, 2.52; Darvish, Texas, 2.62; Kazmir, Oakland, 2.66.
STRIKEOUTS–Price, Tampa Bay, 144; FHernandez, Seattle, 128; Kluber, Cleveland, 122; Scherzer, Detroit, 119; Tanaka, New York, 119.
SAVES–Holland, Kansas City, 23; Rodney, Seattle, 22; Perkins, Minnesota, 19; DavRobertson, New York, 18; Nathan, Detroit, 16; Uehara, Boston, 16.

National League

East	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlanta	41	38	.519	—
Washington	41	38	.519	—
Miami	39	41	.488	2½
Philadelphia	36	43	.456	5
New York	36	44	.450	5½
Central	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
Milwaukee	50	32	.610	—
St. Louis	44	37	.543	5½
Cincinnati	41	38	.519	7½
Pittsburgh	41	39	.513	8
Chicago	34	44	.436	14
West	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
San Francisco	46	34	.575	—
Los Angeles	45	37	.549	2
Colorado	35	45	.438	11
San Diego	34	46	.425	12

Friday's Games

Chicago Cubs 7, Washington 2
Atlanta 4, Philadelphia 2
Pittsburgh 3, N.Y. Mets 2, 11 innings
Oakland 9, Miami 5
Milwaukee 3, Colorado 2
Arizona 2, San Diego 1
St. Louis 3, L.A. Dodgers 1
Cincinnati 6, San Francisco 2

Saturday's Games

Washington at Chicago Cubs, 1st game, late
Atlanta at Philadelphia, 1st game, late
N.Y. Mets at Pittsburgh, late
Colorado at Milwaukee, late
Oakland at Miami, late
Atlanta at Philadelphia, 2nd game, late
St. Louis at L.A. Dodgers, late
Washington at Chicago Cubs, 2nd game, late
Cincinnati at San Francisco, late
Arizona at San Diego, late

Sunday's Games

Oakland (Milone 5-3) at Miami (Heaney 0-2), 1:10 p.m.
Atlanta (Harang 6-6) at Philadelphia (D.Buchanan 4-3), 1:35 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (Colon 8-5) at Pittsburgh (Volquez 5-6), 1:35 p.m.
Colorado (J.De La Rosa 7-6) at Milwaukee (Gallardo 5-4), 2:10 p.m.
Cincinnati (Bailey 7-4) at San Francisco (Hudson 7-4), 4:05 p.m.
Arizona (Bolsinger 1-3) at San Diego (Despaigne 1-0), 4:10 p.m.
St. Louis (S.Miller 7-6) at L.A. Dodgers (Kershaw 8-2), 4:10 p.m.

LEAGUE LEADERS

BATTING–Tulowitzki, Colorado, .351; Lucroy, Milwaukee, .330; MaAdams, St. Louis, .327; AMcCutchen, Pittsburgh, .314; Stanton, Miami, .312; McGehee, Miami, .311.
RUNS–Tulowitzki, Colorado, 61; Goldschmidt, Arizona, 58; Pence, San Francisco, 57; Stanton, Miami, 56; Rizzo, Chicago, 53; MCarpenter, St. Louis, 52.
RBI–Stanton, Miami, 59; Morneau, Colorado, 57; Goldschmidt, Arizona, 53; Howard, Philadelphia, 50; AdGonzalez, Los Angeles, 48; AMcCutchen, Pittsburgh, 48.
HITS–DanMurphy, New York, 97; Lucroy, Milwaukee, 96; McGehee, Miami, 95; AMcCutchen, Pittsburgh, 94; Pence, San Francisco, 94; Stanton, Miami, 94.
DOUBLES–Goldschmidt, Arizona, 28; Lucroy, Milwaukee, 26; Span, Washington, 25; Utley, Philadelphia, 24; SCastro, Chicago, 23; FFreeman, Atlanta, 23; AMcCutchen, Pittsburgh, 23.
TRIPLES–DGordon, Los Angeles, 9; BCrawford, San Francisco, 8; Owings, Arizona, 5; Revere, Philadelphia, 5; Span, Washington, 5; Yelich, Miami, 5; 8 tied at 4.
HOME RUNS–Stanton, Miami, 21; Tulowitzki, Colorado, 18; Frazier, Cincinnati, 17; Rizzo, Chicago, 17; Gattis, Atlanta, 16; JUpton, Atlanta, 16.
STOLEN BASES–DGordon, Los Angeles, 40; BHamilton, Cincinnati, 33; Revere, Philadelphia, 22; SMarte, Pittsburgh, 18; EYoung, New York, 18; Blackmon, Colorado, 15.
PITCHING–Simon, Cincinnati, 10-3; Wainwright, St. Louis, 10-4; Lohse, Milwaukee, 9-2; Ryu, Los Angeles, 9-4; Greinke, Los Angeles, 9-4; WPeralta, Milwaukee, 9-5; Bumgarner, San Francisco, 9-5.
ERA–Cueto, Cincinnati, 1.88; Wainwright, St. Louis, 2.01; Beckett, Los Angeles, 2.11; HAlvarez, Miami, 2.32; Teheran, Atlanta, 2.34; Samardzija, Chicago, 2.53.
STRIKEOUTS–Strasburg, Washington, 123; Cueto, Cincinnati, 122; Bumgarner, San Francisco, 114; Kennedy, San Diego, 111; Wainwright, St. Louis, 105; Teheran, Atlanta, 103.
SAVES–FrRodriguez, Milwaukee, 26; Rosenthal, St. Louis, 24; Jansen, Los Angeles, 24; Kimbrel, Atlanta, 23.

Arena Football League

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

West	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
z-Arizona	14	1	0	.933	970	721
Los Angeles	3	10	0	.231	487	702
San Antonio	1	13	0	.071	590	840
Pacific	**W**	**L**	**T**	**Pct**	**PF**	**PA**
x-San Jose	10	4	0	.714	780	561
Spokane	7	7	0	.500	720	639
Portland	4	10	0	.286	637	763

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

South	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Orlando	8	6	0	.571	778	768
Tampa Bay	8	7	0	.533	760	790
Jacksonville	5	8	0	.385	661	630
New Orleans	2	12	0	.143	592	820
East	**W**	**L**	**T**	**Pct**	**PF**	**PA**
x-Cleveland	13	1	0	.929	762	626
x-Pittsburgh	11	3	0	.786	780	597
Philadelphia	6	8	0	.429	819	782
Iowa	6	8	0	.429	668	765

x-clinched playoff spot
z-clinched conference

Thursday's Games

Portland 62, New Orleans 56

Friday's Games

Cleveland 48, Tampa Bay 41
San Jose 62, Arizona 33

Saturday's Games

Pittsburgh at Jacksonville, late
Philadelphia at Iowa, late
Spokane at Los Angeles, late

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Summer Sunrise 5K Series

SEBRING – The inaugural Summer Sunrise 5K Series continues its' next two races Saturday's July 12 and August 16 at Highlands Hammock State Park starting at 7 a.m.

The unique series will award trophies to winners in 5-year age divisions whose cumulative times in all four races are the fastest.

Individual races may be entered for $12, but will not be eligible for series awards or shirt.

Entry forms at: *cbrojek@comcast.net* at 385-4736.

Come test your skills in this exciting new race series!

Sebring Summer of Swim

Sebring High School will be offering swimming lessons with four sessions to choose from.

The first session began Monday, June 9 and ran through Friday, June 20.

The second session runs from June 23-July 3, the third session July 7-July 18 and the fourth from July 21-August 1.

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

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

Emails can also be sent to *catonp@highlands.k12.fl.us*.

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

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

Sebring Summer Swim Program

The Summer Swim Program will again offer four instructional sessions.

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

The Program will offer eight types of instruction:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

There will be no refunds after completion of registration and payment of fees, unless the swim class is cancelled.

There must be at least four swimmers per class for the lessons to be taught.

Co-Ed Basketball Camp

AVON PARK – All girls and boys entering 6th to 12th grade next school year (up to 18 years old) that are interested in playing basketball, plan to join in the fun at Basketball Camp.

Learn advanced drills, team play, set plays, contests and competition.

Camp fee is $100, which includes a t-shirt.

There will be MVP awards and Most Improved Contest.

Coached by Bill Farmer, Boyette Magpayo and former Walker Memorial Academy players, the camp will begin on Sunday, June 29 from 9 a.m.-Noon and 1-5 p.m. Monday, June 30 and continue through Friday, July 3 from 9 a.m.-Noon in the Walker Memorial Academy Gym located at 1525 W. Avon Blvd. in Avon Park.

For more information or to register, call 453-3131 ext. 201.

Steak dinner for Dragon Football

LAKE PLACID – Pat Myers, owner of Pat's Barbecue, is organizing a special fund raising steak supper for the benefit of the football team on Saturday, July 12.

The event will be held at the Elks Lodge with a donation of $50 per person.

"There will be door prizes and other attractions," Myers says.

Tickets are available at Pat's Barbecue, Highlands Independent Bank and Lake Placid Marine.

Sebring Elks Golf Tournament

The Sebring Elks Lodge No. 1529 monthly golf outing will be held at Golf Hammock Golf and Country Club on Monday, July 7, beginning at 8 a.m.

Cost is $28 which includes golf, cart, lunch and prize fund.

To sign up contact Jack McLaughlin at *jacknjudy33872@gmail.com* or leave a message on 863 471-3295.

Check in not later than 7:40 a.m. by the Pro Shop.

Florida Trail Association – Heartland Division, July Activities

Saturday, July 12

Activity: Chapter Meeting, Pot luck, and Moonlight hike

Location: Tenoroc Fish Management Area: Tenoroc Mine Road (off of Combee Road); Lakeland, FL

Description: Meet at the Picnic Lake parking area. Driveway for Picnic Lake is a left turn after office. Driveway does have sign. Chapter meeting will be followed by a Pot Luck. Following the pot luck we will be doing a moonlight hike.

Bring: For the pot luck lunch, bring a dish to share based on last names beginning with A-H salad, I-Q main dish, R-Z dessert. For environmental reasons, it is requested that you bring your own dishes and silverware; however, if you can't, we will have plates and silverware available. Please bring something to drink. And for hike bring flashlight, walking or hiking shoes, water, and insect protection.

If you're not attending the chapter meeting or pot luck, please note the gate to Tenoroc will be closing at 7:15 p.m. There will be no entry after that time.

Contact: Monika Hoerl at 863-858-3106 for meet up time and other information.

Saturday, July 26

Activity: Bike Ride on Fort Frazer trail followed by lunch at Palace Pizza

Location: Highland City Trailhead; 4st St SE; Highland City, FL

Description: Driving south of Polk Parkway on US 98 look for signs for trailhead. Left turn to get to trailhead is at intersection of Clubhouse Road (CR540). Note, on right is the Highland City Town Center. We will be biking on the Fort Frazer trail. Following bike ride, all are invited to lunch at Palace Pizza in the shopping center.

Distance and/or time info: Bike ride approximately 14 miles

Bring: Bicycle, water, snacks, sun and insect protection. Helmets advised for all but required for anyone under age 16. If you are joining us for lunch, please bring money.

Contact: Eileen Valachovic at 863-956-2145 or email: *eileenv3@gmail.com* for meet up time and other information.

Sunday, June 27

Activity: Hike at Circle B Bar

Location: Circle B Bar Reserve; 4399 Winter Lake Road (SR 540); Lakeland, FL

Description: This is a moderately paced walk with lots of opportunity to observe wildlife. We will see the new exhibit on the Florida citrus industry along the Lost Bridge Trail. It will be a two-part walk. The first half will be approximately 2.5 miles. Those wishing to leave at this point may do so. The second half of the hike will be another approximately 2.0 miles. Meet at the Nature Center parking area. Please be prompt. Please note, pets are not allowed at this location.

Bring: Hiking shoes, brimmed hat, water, sun and insect protection Binoculars and/or cameras may be useful..

Contact: Jan Wells at 863-608-2046 (no texts please) or *bkpknboots@aol.com* for meet up time and other information.

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Summer Sunrise Series 5K results

The Summer Sunrise Series 5K held the second race of the season Saturday morning and saw 93 finishers cross the line. The third race of the series will take place Saturday, July 12.

Place	Name	Time
1	Leonel Ayala	15:52.5
2	Michael Quigley	18:44.2
3	Logan Lashley	20:09.4
4	Zoe Wortinger	21:39.2
5	Nicholas Gregor	21:39.3
6	David Drach	22:04.2
7	Maria Munoz	22:08.6
8	Jesus Garcia	23:23.5
9	Katlyn Cooper	23:24.3
10	Zackary VanFleet	23:31.2
11	Marcos Rivera	24:01.8
12	Karen Spurlock	24:04.1
13	Katie Stoll	24:06.8
14	Yini Schreiber	24:15.0
15	Ian Naylor	24:19.4
16	Emily Smith	24:35.9
17	Peter Lewia	25:17.1
18	Shane White	25:20.1
19	Terry Owens	25:20.4
20	Aleesa White	25:24.3
21	Russell Andrews	25:28.8
22	Nancy Drach	25:31.8
23	Jacob McClelland	25:50.0
24	Eli Collins	25:57.3
25	Vicki Musselman	26:08.5
26	Jason True	26:23.1
27	Tony Darrow	26:26.8
28	Christen Pyles	26:27.1
29	Marlene Brantley	26:28.8
30	Evelyn Colon	26:29.2
31	Randy Severn	26:42.1
32	Laura VanFleet	26:51.5
33	J.J. Wortinger	27:27.6
34	Ron Scali	27:38.7
35	Claudia Cendejas	27:49.7
36	Michael Eastman	28:40.6
37	David Ocheita	28:58.3
38	Mary Ann Andrews	29:29.3
39	Harold Smith	29:34.3
40	Diorelly Marquez	30:17.0
41	Jared Revell	30:43.9
42	Peggy Essex-Klammer	30:49.7
43	Trisha Johnson	30:51.0
44	Cali Figeiredo	30:51.8
45	Hailey McMahon	30:58.6
46	Jan Shoop	31:05.7
47	Amaia Unanue	31:30.6
48	Christian Angeletti	31:31.8
49	Nicole Moore	31:46.2
50	Heather Owens	31:50.9
51	Jennifer Canevari	32:06.3
52	Dorothy Lyons	32:09.9
53	Dusty Johnson	32:21.5
54	Antonia Rivera	32:44.5
55	Martha Brooker	32:48.4
56	Michele Bednosky	33:08.0
57	Leah Moore	33:55.3
58	Debbie Webber	34:02.4
59	Patrice Holman	34:17.0
60	Deborah Witmer	34:34.3
61	Kim Darrow	34:39.8
62	Niki Gregor	35:19.0
63	Kim Dorman	35:34.0
64	Heather Stephenson	36:19.1
65	Mary Beth Przychocki	37:15.4
66	Donald Hart	37:43.1
67	Shirley Whitsitt	37:49.6
68	Nelson Pacheco	38:16.4
69	Susan Patterson	38:43.3
70	Todd Patterson	38:43.7
71	Dayna Carlton	38:57.6
72	Laura Bowen	39:14.4
73	Robin Dodd	39:20.9
74	Bettye Hart	39:39.5
75	Mary Carol Plott	39:42.3
76	Barb Sheasley	39:55.1
77	Deborah Eldridge	40:15.9
78	Judy Bassett	40:35.1
79	Ronald McMahon	41:35.8
80	Leigh Ann Brimlow	41:39.1
81	Kenny Vincent	41:58.8
82	Dale Barger	42:02.3
83	Sharon Mercer	42:46.3
84	Audrey Smith	42:55.1
85	Austin Ulm	44:40.0
86	Savannah Eldridge	44:43.9
87	Terri Coyle	46:42.3
88	Jan Coyle	46:54.8
89	Romonita Pacheco	48:36.5
90	Eric Skalski	49:29.9
91	Kelly Skalski	49:30.1
92	Susan Cook	50:33.6
93	Tina Scali	55:34.0

Courtesy photo

Amber Hicks spends her summers playing with the Royal Palm Beach Stump Bandits, which helped put her in view of college coaches from around the country.

HICKS

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player and really liked what they saw of me at second base."

A quick and versatile defender, Hicks was named by her Sebring teammates as the defensive player of the year this past season.

And though she still has one more year of high school left and doesn't officially sign until January, Hicks is both glad the decision has been made and already looking ahead.

"I'm ready to take it on," she said. "I'm sure I'll get homesick, but I think it's a good experience to get away from home. I'm just excited to know I'll be playing softball in college and it's a relief to get it off my shoulders.

"I will continue to work on everything because I can always get better and need to in order to play at the next level," Hicks continued. "I am ready for this new experience."

SNAPSHOTS

GOLF

Golf Hammock

Last Monday, June 23, the Mezza Group played Individual Pro-Am Points and saw Don Brewer grab first place in A group with +2 and Paul (Taff) Brown got second place with +1.

In B group, Les Campbell came in first with +3, followed by Mike Anselm with +2.

C group went to Bob Troup with his +7, followed by Jack Stafford at +1.

Len Westdale took first place in D group with +2 and there was a tie for second place between Ralph Pickering and Terry Yandle, both with -1.

E group had John Robertson in first place with +3, followed by a tie between Joe Hamilton and Jack Carlton at +1.

There was a tie for first place in F group between Billy Parr and Doug Haire, both with +2.

G group was won by Jimmy Black with Even, followed by a tie between Bob Hughes and Richard Ramazetti Sr. at -2.

And in H group, Larry Spry won with +3, followed by a tie at +2 between Richard Lindsay and Sal Sboto.

Next Monday, June 30, the Mezza Group will continue to play at Golf Hammock beginning at 7:45 a.m.

Please arrive early due to a big field of players.

For more information, call Pete at 382-1280 or 414-2110.

Placid Lakes

The Men's Association played a 2 Best Balls Plus Net Birdies event on Wednesday, June 25.

John Moss, Dave Colvin, Bob Sheets and Ken Burnette teamed up to score a -20 to run away with the win while Bob McMillian, Lane Capp and Woody Cook took second at -13.

Carding a -5 for third was the trio of Jack Marceau, Tony Grande and Bud Snyder.

In closest to the pin, Burnette could not have gotten much closer as he stuck his shot on No. 11 to a mere 6 inches from the cup.

The Women's Association played an Individual Net Even Holes event on Tuesday, June 24.

Handan Schneider came in with a 32 for the win, with Sue Mackey taking second with a 34.

Bobbie Miller and Pam Thomas each carded 35s, with Miller getting the nod for third and Thomas fourth.

Mackey had closest to the pin on the day, hitting to an even 6 feet from No. 2.

SpringLake

On Tuesday, June 24, the SpringLake Men's Golf Association held an Individual Net Scored tournament on the Panther Creek golf course.

There were 18 members present playing in three flights.

In the A Flight, Jan Hard took first place with a league lowest score, a net 69 strokes that included a net 33 on the Back Nine.

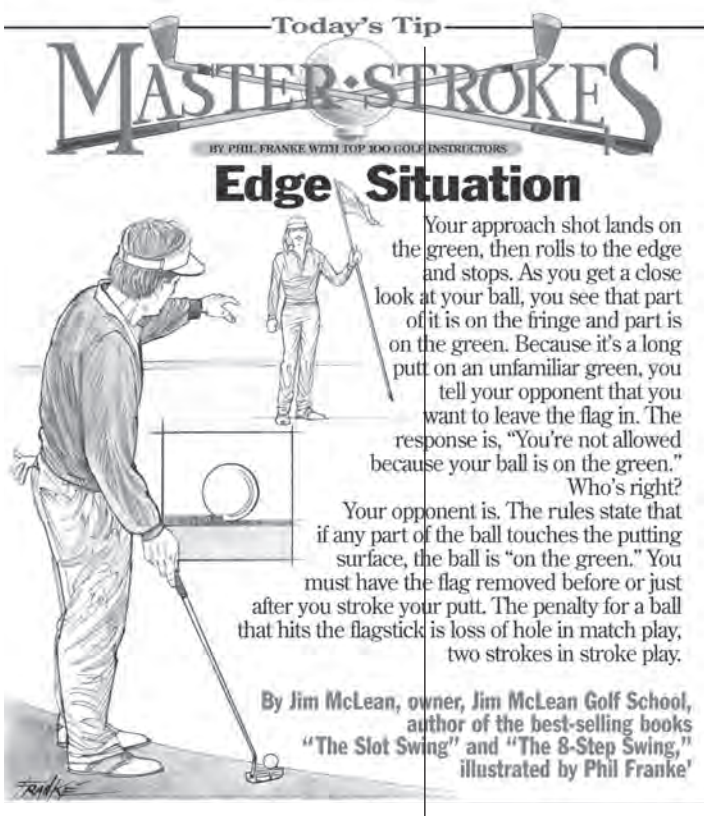
Will David came close with a net 70 for second place and Joe Austin turned in a net 73 for third place in the A Flight.

The B Flight was won by Leon Van with a net 70, followed by Richie Eastep with a net 71 and Dave Docherty with a net 74.

C Flight, with handicaps of 19 and up, was won by Ray McKenzie with a net 72 – even par.

Ron Brochu came in second with a net 75.

There was a tie for third place at net 76 between Ed Griffith and John Schroeder. The tie-breaker was the best Back Nine score of Mr. Griffith's 38 over Mr. Schroeder's 39.



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TECH TIPS FOR Summer Travel Abroad

FAMILY FEATURES

Whether you're seeking the view from the London Eye, the thrill of zip-lining in Belize or the taste of an icy cold gelato in the streets of Rome — summer adventure is calling.

World Travel on the Rise

According to the airline industry association A4A, air travel is expected to rise to its highest level in six years this summer, with a record number of people travelling internationally. However, if you count yourself among those travelers — perhaps one of the estimated hundreds of thousands of Americans headed to Brazil for the World Cup — are you prepared to stay connected with friends and family back home and easily share your adventures with them?

Many travelers hit the road expecting to use their smartphones abroad in the same way they use them at home, relying on them for navigation, using their favorite apps for travel tips and freely posting pictures to social media. But many are unclear about international roaming costs and coverage.

"For those who do travel or call overseas, it's hugely expensive or requires all kinds of workarounds to avoid the huge fees," said Ovum analyst Jan Dawson. "So this is a real pain point for some customers, at least."

A recent Kelton survey confirmed a high level of exasperation that international travelers feel when journeying abroad. Here are some of the results:

- Nearly everyone surveyed (88 percent) reported being frustrated by the expenses and challenges of staying connected while abroad.
- Among customers of the big three carriers, nearly 20 percent leave their devices at home or never turn them on while travelling outside the U.S.
- Another 40 percent turn off data roaming to avoid high costs, and 20 percent say they would turn off data roaming if they knew how.

Make Sure You're Prepared

So, before you head off on your summer journey, T-Mobile wants to make sure you're armed with the best mobile tech tips for staying connected internationally. These ideas can save you from unnecessary headaches and a ton of money along the way.

- **Check your coverage:** Before you travel, make sure you know the network specifications and international data rates for your carrier in the places where you're travelling. Be sure to make adjustments if necessary to avoid costly surprises in your bill when you return.
- **Find the best international plan:** Look for carriers, such as T-Mobile for example, that provide unlimited data and texting in 120-plus countries and destinations worldwide with their Simple Choice plan, freeing you from the worry of coming home to bill shock from outrageous roaming fees. Because most carriers tack 90 percent margins into their global roaming plans, many consumers see their costs total more than $1,000 a day when they use their phones abroad the way they normally do at home. Last Fall, T-Mobile launched international data roaming and texting at no extra charge — plus slashed calls to a low flat rate of 20 cents a minute — in more than 120 countries and destinations worldwide.
- **Explore the extras:** Prepaid international calling cards may also be available through your wireless provider. Also, special day or week passes can get you access to high speed data or additional services.
- **Don't forget insurance:** In case your device gets lost, stolen or damaged along the way, be sure to secure an insurance plan to protect it.

Travel blogger Summer Hull of Boarding Area's Mommy Points column notes her own personal experience with trying to stay connected while abroad.

"I am honestly sick of having to jump through so many hoops and keep such close tabs on usage internationally with other providers," said Hull. "I'm also sick of the big bills that come with having international add-ons. This T-Mobile approach sounds so much, well, simpler."

Vacation-worthy Devices and Accessories

Here is a list of the smartphones, tablets and accessories to take with you to keep up with your summer travel needs:

- **Samsung Galaxy S5:** This water-resistant phone is perfect for all your outdoor activities and includes a story album to journal your travels with pictures and notes that can be published as actual books.
- **HTC One M8:** The highlights for this device include Boomsound for listening to music outside, HTC Duo Camera for taking brilliant day or night shots and Zoe for creating mini-movies in seconds.
- **Samsung Galaxy Note 10.1 2014 Edition:** A lightweight and durable tablet that allows you to take your games, music, movies and social network virtually anywhere you go. For affordable data, the T-Mobile Tablet Freedom program allows you to get more than a gig of free data every month through 2014 and 200 MB of free data for life every month after that.
- **Samsung LTE Mobile HotSpot PRO:** This half-inch-thick device expands your mobile freedom, allowing you to take the Internet with you on your qualifying service. Plus, you can share your connection with up to 10 other Internet devices.
- **TYLT Zumo Portable Battery Pack:** Did you finish up a long day of sightseeing? Don't get caught with a dead device. This portable pack provides up to four hours of extra battery life. With these tips in mind, summer travel can go back to being a carefree experience. For more information, visit www.t-mobile.com.

Worry-free Wireless Travel Abroad

Following are a few simple tips from T-Mobile to help keep your travels on track and free of complications:

- **Pack the essentials:** This includes portable chargers, an international power converter and MicroSD cards to give you added storage space for photos and more.
- **Travel safe:** Use features such as Bluetooth for hands-free driving while navigating the twists and turns of unfamiliar roads, or applications like T-Mobile's DriveSmart Plus, which silences incoming notifications, sending callers to voicemail and auto-responds to incoming text messages.
- **Make packing light:** Use a multi-function smartphone that allows you to access entertainment with videos and games, mobile music player, GPS navigator, high quality digital camera, and in some cases, even a mobile hotspot.

Best Apps for Travel

Check out these leading apps to help you navigate a successful journey:

- **GateGuru** (Android, iOS, Windows Phone): Especially helpful when traveling with children, GateGuru can locate kid-friendly restaurants, clean public restrooms and more. View your TripIt and Kayak itineraries, as well as view or post airport security wait times and see a structured list of airport food, shops and services.
- **Viator** (Android, iOS): Helps you find and book countless tours, day trips, shows and activities for the best travel experiences worldwide.
- **Unit Conversion Free, Currency** (iOS, but others are available for most platforms): Converts temperature, distance, weight, volume, speed and more, including currency in real time.

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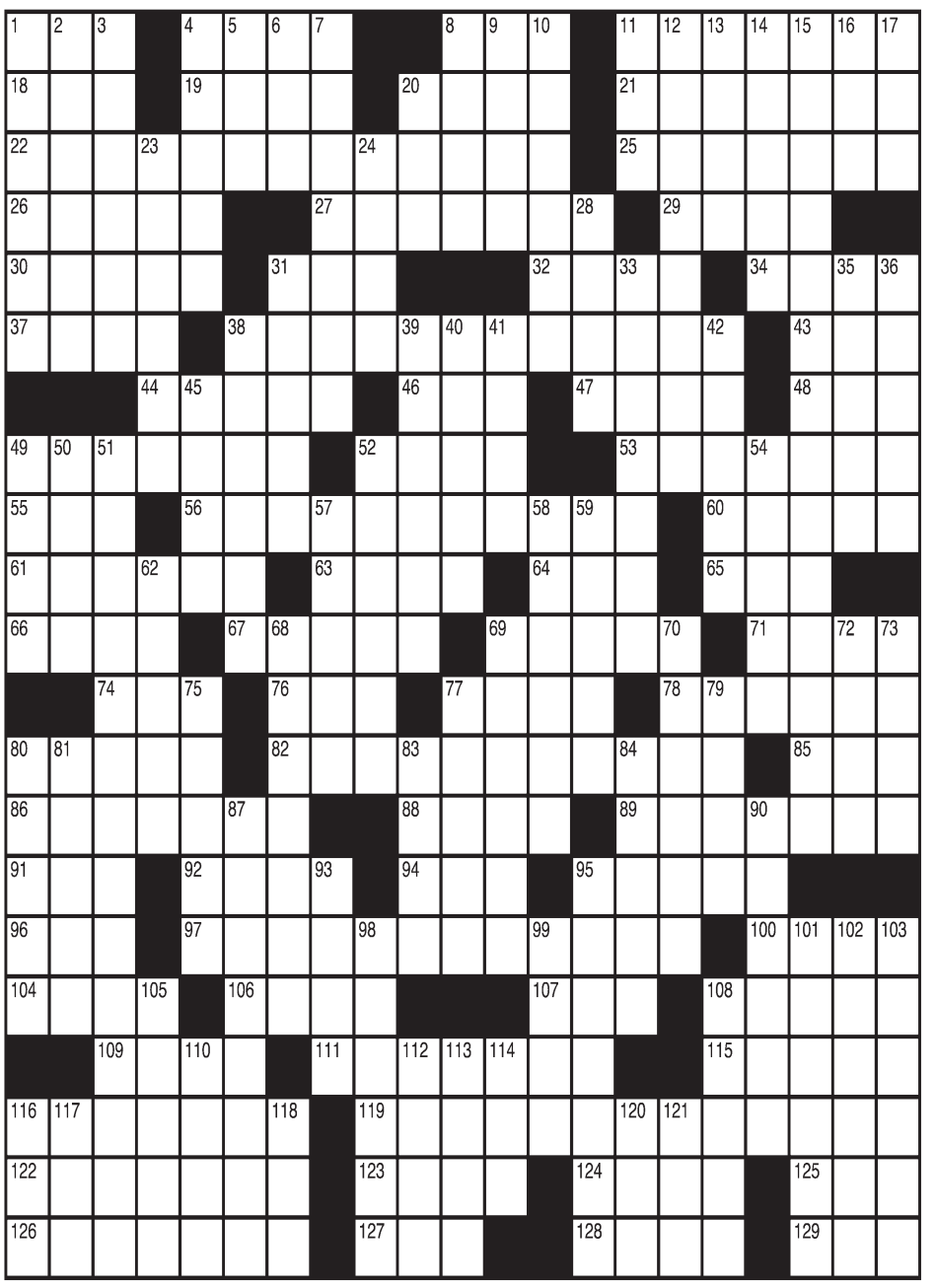

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Solution on B4

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25 Fuel storage unit
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31 Political satirist Stewart
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44 They're sometimes written by guests
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47 Identical
48 Respond to a tort, perhaps
49 Not in time
52 Class-conscious one, briefly?
53 Bleeping overseers
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56 Sign of embarrassment?
60 Searches carefully
61 Glassmaking ingredient
63 Alarmed cries
64 Court tactic
65 Disease-stricken tree
66 Fly off the shelves
67 Yoga posture
69 Dummies
71 Caracas crackers?
74 Org. concerned with CFCs
76 Sky god after whom a weekday is named
77 Radius, e.g.
78 Webpage button under a bill
80 Gets in the game
82 Sale on ornamental bands?
85 "The Book of __": 2010 film
86 "Star Trek" diagnostic tool
88 Three-part snack
89 Altar attendant
91 E.T. from Melmac
92 Retro sign word
94 Co. involved in arrangements
95 Rugged ridge
96 Infamous 1974 bank-robbing gp.
97 Shopper comparing iPad prices?
100 Pieces of 8?
104 Sword handle
106 Distance swimmer Diana
107 Brit. lexicon
108 Flat substitute
109 Pool accessory
111 Fake it, in a way
115 __ Sound
116 "Let me repeat ..."
119 Oldest in a delivery line?
122 Swiss tourist city
123 "Chocolat" actress
124 Parting words?
125 Galoot
126 Fit to be tied
127 Target in some sports
128 Carry on
129 TV's "Science Guy"

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4 What a junker might be good for
5 Angular shape
6 Shad output
7 Means
8 One way to run
9 Addition to the staff
10 "Psst!"
11 Available without a scrip
12 Hand-waving kid's cry
13 Rip
14 Van Gogh inspiration
15 Wine bar tip containers?
16 It's a cinch in Sapporo
17 Former Giants pitcher Robb
20 Case worker: Abbr.
23 '60s Israeli prime minister
24 Hit, say
28 They're often blitzed
31 Herod's kingdom
33 Control group handout
35 Place for a case
36 Hair piece
38 "You __!"
39 California's motto
40 Easy gaits
41 Place for a link
42 Jittery
45 "I'd rather not"
49 Pub array
50 English horn kin
51 Bargain mall in the Sahara?
52 Full legislative assembly
54 Nonsensical
57 Put on again
58 "The Tempest" king
59 Hard to crack
62 French high spots
68 One way to fly
69 College URL ending
70 Orthodontic device
72 Maker of the Commando rifle
73 Toddler's boo-boo
75 Race site for more than 300 years
77 Sea bed?
79 Bunches
80 Shame
81 Nabisco snack brand
83 Artist's rental
84 Like sea lions
87 "Matzo Balls for Breakfast" author
90 Jump to one's feet
93 Israir alternative
95 Suffered humiliation
98 National Inventors' Day is observed on his birthday
99 It's prohibited
101 Sleeve type seen in sportswear
102 Spine-tingling
103 Parlor piece
105 It's a stunner
108 Ill will
110 "Flashdance... What a Feeling" singer
112 Athlete dubbed "O Rei do Futebol"
113 Pique
114 Taoist force
116 Poetic pugilist
117 It may be blocked by a screen
118 Bad ending?
120 Sched. uncertainty
121 Drilling equipment

Cancer, professional obligations may prevent you from spending time with loved one

METRO NEWS SERVICE

ARIES — Your impulsive nature is apparent this week, Aries. While this nature has often served you well, it's still a smart move to carefully consider all angles before making any big decisions.

TAURUS — Taurus, the goal this week is to find a happy medium where you can help others but remain true to yourself. It may take a little juggling, but you can handle it.

GEMINI — Gemini, although you are initially willing to go along with the group's plans, in the long run you want to set off in your own direction. A few stragglers may join you.

CANCER — Cancer, professional obligations may prevent you from spending time with loved ones, but only if you let them. Let higher-ups know where your priorities lie.

LEO — Leo, share your emotions with a friend, especially if the friendship does not seem to be going in the direction you had hoped. Keep the lines of communication open at all times.

VIRGO — Virgo, you may think your intentions are obvious to others, but sometimes you send mixed signals. You may have to be more concise to achieve your desired results.

LIBRA — Take the high road, Libra. Leading by example has always been your forte, and taking the high road now is a great example to set for those around you.

SCORPIO — It can be quite difficult to keep your cool when you are feeling emotional, Scorpio. Channel any nervous energy you have into a productive project this week.

SAGITTARIUS — Sagittarius, you are on a quest for a deep connection. You will not be content with mere friendship, but desire something that is more intimate and meaningful.

CAPRICORN — You are in high demand this week, Capricorn. You have the ability to get things done when others struggle with similar tasks. Keep up the good work.

AQUARIUS — Aquarius, you just may find yourself on shaky ground while juggling multiple responsibilities this week. Don't let the stress of this juggling act get the better of you.

PISCES — Pisces, you find yourself face-to-face with your biggest fears this week. Draw on your inner strength and you will conquer any obstacle.

FAMOUS BIRTHDAYS

June 29:Nicole Scherzinger, Singer (36); June 30 Rupert Graves, Actor (51); July 1 Dan Aykroyd, Comic Actor (62);July 2: Wendy Schaal, Actress (60); July 3: Kurtwood Smith, Actor (71); July 4: John Waite, Singer (62); July 5: Francois Arnaud, Actor (29).

Mother tells son's wife to get lost during visit

DEAR ABBY: I recently took my children to spend a week with my mother-in-law, "Bea." Three days after we arrived, my husband flew in to join us. The next day, Bea handed me a hotel room key and told me to take as many of the children as I wanted, but I could not take my husband because she never gets to spend time with him!

I told Bea I was offended, and that I should not have been invited if it wasn't a "family" trip. As I was packing to leave, my mother-in-law left and spent the rest of our visit in the hotel herself while my family and I stayed at her home.

My husband has now told me that I will not be "allowed" to visit her again, and when she visits us next, it will be just him and the kids because I make his mother "uncomfortable." Must I stay away as he says, or should I pursue keeping myself included when they visit my mother-in-law?

— MOM OF FOUR IN MARYLAND

DEAR MOM OF FOUR: Did this happen out of the blue, or have you always had a strained relationship with your husband's mother? (I'm guessing it's the latter.) If so, why?

If the genesis of this is something you have said or done, and you can't mend fences, then perhaps it would be better if you made other plans while Bea visits. If it isn't, then face it: You married a mama's boy, and for that you have my sympathy.

DEAR ABBY

Were I in your shoes, rather than inflict my presence on "Queen Bea," I'd grab the chance to treat myself to a well-earned vacation when the "lady" is in town — and ditto when your husband and the kids go to visit Granny. Check into a spa and let yourself have a good time!

DEAR ABBY: I'm a 13-year old boy who loves to play baseball and football. Because of my hard work and dedication over the years, along with the help of my coaches and my dad, I'm pretty good at both sports.

The issue is, my mom does not support me and repeatedly tells me I'm not good at either one. When she says it, it cuts my heart out.

My parents have been divorced since I was 2, and Dad has always done everything for me. Even though he gives me encouragement, it still stings when Mom tells me I'm not good. She constantly says negative and bad things about my dad that I know are not true, but when I defend him she goes crazy with rage. What can I do to get her to stop being so negative?

— VERY DISCOURAGED IN TEXAS

DEAR VERY DISCOURAGED: Your letter made me sad because there is nothing you can do to make your mother change her attitude. She appears to be an angry and unhappy person, who may perceive your closeness with your father as a threat to her. What you CAN do is stop placing so much importance on receiving her approval. If your coach thinks you're doing well, and these sports bring you a sense of closeness with your father, then you should enjoy them for those reasons.

Abby shares more than 100 of her favorite recipes in two booklets: "Abby's Favorite Recipes" and "More Favorite Recipes by Dear Abby." Send your name and mailing address, plus check or money order for $14 (U.S. funds) to: Dear Abby, Cookbooklet Set, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, IL 61054-0447. (Shipping and handling are included in the price.)

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ANSWER:

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Arts & Entertainment

Oranges selected as official print for 48th Art Festival

Special to the News-Sun

SEBRING — The official festival print for the 48th Annual Highlands Fine Arts & Crafts Festival has been selected. The Festival Committee chose 'Oranges' by Sebring watercolor artist and one of the winners of last year's festival, Janet King.

King attended Baum School of the Arts in Allentown, Pa. She is a Signature Member of the Florida Watercolor Society, and her work has won awards throughout Florida and the United States. Some of her work is displayed in Florida's Capitol Building in Tallahassee.

Her watercolors can be viewed at www.JanetKingWatercolors.com.

"Janet's watercolor painting, 'Oranges', is a great representation of Highlands County and surrounding areas, and we are honored to feature her work as the official festival print this year," said Mona Sutphin-O'Neill, co-chair of the 48th Annual Highlands Cine Arts & Crafts Festival, which is hosted each year by HAL. "It also maintains the citrus theme that HAL has been showcasing this year with our Citrus Labels & Crate Expectations exhibit at the Highlands Museum of the Arts, as well as our citrus-themed Art Uncorked classes and some of our special events."

Festival sponsors of $500 or more will receive a complimentary giclee print of the official festival print, 'Oranges,' in addition to a variety of promotional benefits.

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The Festival Committee chose â€˜Orangesâ€™ by Sebring watercolor artist and one of the winners of last yearâ€™s Festival, Janet King, as the official print for this years 48th Annual Highlands Fine Arts & Crafts Festival.

48th Annual Fine Arts & Crafts Festival

Visual artists are invited to apply for the festival, which will take place on Saturday, Nov. 1 and offer more than $3,000 in cash awards to juried art. Original works and limited editions of fine art in all media, including ceramics, fiber, glass, jewelry, painting, photography, printmaking, sculpture, wood, and mixed media, will be considered. Only artists displaying their own work are eligible to participate. Fees apply. Submissions must be postmarked by Oct. 2.

Details regarding festival sponsorship, volunteering or artist submissions that can be found online at www.HighlandsArtLeague.org or by calling the HAL office at (863) 385-6682.

MoTA hosting photography contest

Special to the News-Sun

SEBRING — The Highlands Museum of the Arts (MoTA) will host a photography exhibit "In Focus" from Aug. 1 to Sept. 19, featuring local and regional photography talent.

Photographs must be submitted for consideration for the exhibit, which will be reviewed by the Highlands Museum of the Arts curatorial staff. Submission does not guarantee that your work will be accepted. The staff will notify the photographers as soon as possible as to whether their work will be accepted for exhibition.

An Opening Reception will be planned for Friday, August 8 from 5-7 p.m.

To have your portfolio reviewed by MoTA, please either complete the online submission form at www.HighlandsArtLeague.org or send/deliver the following to MoTA (351 W. Center Ave):

- A CD or DVD of digital images
- A short statement about the work, as well as the title and short description of each photograph
- A current resume and an artist statement
- Images and payment must be submitted for review by 5 p.m. on Monday, July 7

Please note:

- MoTA does not accept or review submissions sent via email.
- Materials will not be returned.
- Digital images must submitted as high-resolution JPEG files (300 dpi)
- Digital images must be sized to 1000 pixels at their longest dimension.
- Digital files that do not follow these specifications will not be considered.
- No more than 15 images will be reviewed.
- Supporting text should be saved on the CD/DVD as a Word document.
- Entrants must be at least 18 years old. If younger than 18, you must have a parent or legal guardian make the submission for you.
- If images are for sale, please indicate the asking price.
- Photographer must be able to frame accepted work according to Framing Guidelines (see next section). MoTA will not pay for framing.

Accepted and framed photographs must be delivered to MoTA by Friday, July 25 at 5 p.m. and must be picked up at MoTA on either Sept. 22 or 23 by 5 p.m. or they become property of MoTA.

All submitted photos must have been taken by the photographer making the entry. If you are a parent or legal guardian submitting for a minor, please make it clear who you are actually submitting for.

Up to four images may be submitted for a non-refundable fee of $24. Additional images may be submitted for an additional $5/per image.

Once an accepted piece of artwork is installed in a show, please do not ask to change its location. It is up to the Hanging Committee to place and hang artwork.

Photographers retain all rights to their work, except for submissions accepted for exhibition: artists grant Highlands MoTA and the Highlands Art League (HAL) the right to use their images to promote the exhibition and for display on HAL's website, social media and print materials.

Winners will be announced at the Opening Reception on Aug. 8. Awards will be presented as follows: Best in Show winner will receive 25 percent of the total submission/entry fee funds and three Honorable Mentions will receive recognition during the remainder of the exhibit.

For submissions that are selected, photographers may offer their work for sale and establish their own price for framed and unframed prints. MoTA retains 25 percent commission on the sale of featured art. Local sales tax of 7 is collected on all sales at the Highlands Art League.

Due to the volume of unsolicited materials that MoTA receives, submissions will be reviewed in the order in which they are received. Responses may take up to several days. Please be patient and please DO NOT contact MoTA regarding the status of your portfolio. Your patience is appreciated.

Please address work to: Highlands Museum of the Arts (MoTA), 351 W. Center Avenue, Sebring, FL 33870. Questions? Please contact MoTA at 863-385-6682 or Manager@HighlandsArtLeague.org

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WIZARD OF OZ TRIVIA CHALLENGE

3:30 p.m., Friday, July 4

Highlands Little Theatre Thakkar Pavilion, Sebring

Form a 4-person team knowledgeable in the "The Wizard of Oz" movie, book and author. Create an Oz team name. Costumes optional. Prize given to best dressed team.

RULES

1. *Form and register a 4-person team with Oz name. No age restrictions.*
2. *No electronic devices or reference materials.*
3. *No shouting out answers by team/audience.*
4. *Two teams face off individually to answer 4 trivia questions for 1 point each. Tie breaker played if needed.*
5. *Team can earn 2 bonus points if they answer face-off round correctly. Team choses category and gives 1 final answer.*
6. *Highest points wins and advances in single elimination tournament.*

NO ENTRY FEE.

Register from 3-3:30 p.m., July 4, at Thakkar Pavilion. Contest begins at 3:30 p.m. The public is invited.

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Business

Delcosta Florist ready to deliver

By KIRSTEN SCARBOROUGH
News-Sun Intern

AVON PARK— After making a move down south in 2008, dealing with a shop that burned down in Lakeland on July 21, 2013, and a relocation transition, Delcosta Florist is open and running.

Shop owner Shanon Costa has not let barriers stop her from doing what she loves while continuing to keep her business values prioritized.

"It's all about the customer, customer, customer," explained Costa. "That's what I drill into my employees' heads."

Costa opened her new shop on May 15 at 2523 U.S. 27 South, Suite 100, in Avon Park.

"The Highlands community has been fabulous to us, we really want to be able to spread our roots here," said Costa.

Delcosta Florist offers arrangements for special occasions, weddings, graduations, funerals and much more, including special gifts such as balloons and candy bouquet arrangements.

Costa's shop delivers locally as well as their products being available to order online and be picked up in store.

Costa's husband, Michael, does design and delivery, her sister, Amanda Pember, is the office manager, and her son, Chris, is in charge of internet and online sales.

"An arrangement does not leave the shop without me first taking it by and showing my sister, husband, and son. I like to get their approval and input before I see it as complete," said Costa.

Family is a large factor in why Costa even began making floral arrangements.

"My family is very crafty. It is a family tradition to do arrangements and such for family events like weddings and graduations. We all get together and work on these projects; we've been doing them ever since I can remember," Costa said.

Costa took horticultural classes in high school and had hours of practice while doing crafts at her grandmother's while she was growing up.

This is one of the wreaths that is curently on display at Delcosta Florist.

Delcosta Florist, located at 2523 U.S. Hwy 27 S, suite 100, in Avon Park recently opened May 15th, and has their Grand Opening event set for this Saturday, June 28th, at 2:00 p.m.

PHOTOS BY KIRSTEN SCARBOROUGH

A lighthouse mural as well as this patriotic table and stool set were both hand painted and designed by Delcosta Florist.

"Some days the shop exceeds my expectations, but on slow days I have to remind myself of a customer I delivered to recently at a hospital," explained Costa. "Just to see the woman's face when I was bringing the flowers into her served as a reminder of why I'm doing this; these really are heartfelt gifts."

"My job is to bring a customer's feelings forward through an arrangement and we are economically friendly. I can work with any budget," stated Costa.

Costa will be offering D.I.Y. bride classes on Saturdays starting in July, providing participants with a new style of arrangement to work on each week. She eventually hopes to start a kids art program.

"Expanding in the future would be ideal if possible," Costa said.

Delcosta Florist is open Tuesday through Friday from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and closed Sunday and Monday.

The florist has provided products from a range of locations from Haines City to Sebring and was the featured and preferred florist on wedding.com for 2013 and was continued for 2014.

Delcosta Florist is a branch of 1-800-flowers and the wire service bloom.net.

For further information, visit www.delcosta-florist.net or call Shannon Costa at 863-453-4349.

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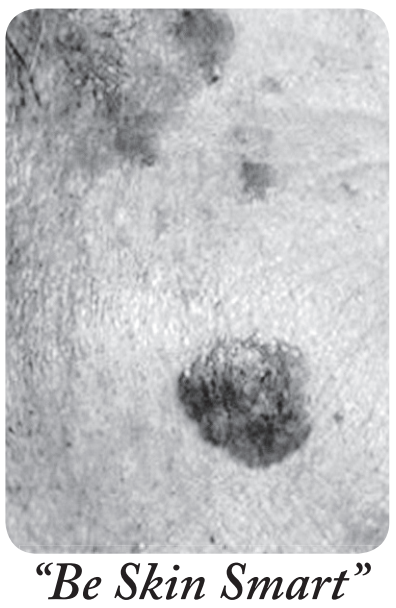
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The purpose of this award is to recognize outstanding service by an individual whohas improved the quality of life for children and youth in Highlands County.

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Criteria for Champion for Children Award
- Resides in Highlands County.
- Demonstrates a deep, caring desire to help children.
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- Has provided five (5) years of service directly affecting the well-being of children.
- Past nominees for this award may be renominated
- Current members of Children's Services Council and Foundation are not eligible.

***Nomination Form** - please print*

Nominee Name _____

Street Address _____

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1.) Where does nominee work or volunteer (past or present)?

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2.) What kind of service to children does the nominee provide?

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3.) Why do you think the nominee deserves the award?

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Please answer each question as completely as possible and submit the form to:

Champion for Children Foundation,
P.O. Box 7125, Sebring, FL 33872-0103 by July 7, 2014

You may include additional material to support your nominee.
All nominees will be screened by a selection committee.

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PLACES TO WORSHIP

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ANGLICAN

New Life Anglican Fellowship, 10 N. Main Ave. (Woman's Club), Lake Placid, FL 33852. Rev. Susan Rhodes, Deacon in Charge, (863) 243-3191; strhodes1020@yahoo.com. Sunday Worship, 10 a.m. Teaching, Holy Communion, Music, Fellowship, Healing Prayer. "Pastoral and Spiritual".

ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Christ Fellowship Church (Assembly of God), 2935 New Life Way. Bearing His Name; Preaching His Doctrine; and Awaiting His Coming. "Worshiping God in Spirit and in Truth." Sunday School, 9 a.m.; Morning Worship, 10 a.m.; Evening Worship, 6 p.m. Wednesday: Worship, 7 p.m. Pastor Eugene Haas. Phone 471-0924.

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

BAPTIST

Avon Park Lakes Baptist Church, 22600 N. Highlands Blvd., Avon Park, FL 33825. George Hall, Pastor. Christ centered and biblically based. Sunday worship services, 8:30 a.m., 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. Nursery facilities are available. Bible studies at 9:45 a.m. Sunday and 7 p.m. Wednesday. Prayer Time 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday. Bible classes at 9:45 a.m. are centered for all ages. Choir practice at 5 p.m. Sunday. Church phone: 452-6556.

Bethany Baptist Church (GARBC) We are located at the corner of SR17 and C-17A (truck route) in Avon Park. Join us Sunday morning at 9:00 AM for coffee and doughnuts, followed with Sunday School for all ages at 9:30. Sunday morning worship service begins at 10:30 a.m., and evening worship service is at 6 p.m. On Wednesdays, the Word of Life teen ministry and the 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.fbcap.net. "In the heart of Avon Park, for the hearts of Avon Park."

First Baptist Church of Lake Josephine, 111 Lake Josephine Drive, Sebring (just off U.S. 27 midway between Sebring and Lake Placid). Your place for family, friends and faith. Sunday morning worship service is 11 a.m. Nursery is provided for both services with Children's Church at 11 a.m. Life changing Bible Study for all ages starts at 9:45 a.m. Sunday night worship at 6 p.m. Wednesday Bible Study and Prayer meeting at 7 p.m. along with youth worship in the youth facility, and missions training for all children. Call the church at 655-1524.

First Baptist Church of Lake Placid, Knowing God's Heart and Sharing God's Hope, 119 E. Royal Palm St., Lake Placid, FL 33852 (863) 465-3721, Website: www.fbclp.com. Email: information@fbclp.com. Sunday services - Traditional Service 9 a.m., Contemporary Service 10:30 a.m. Link Groups at 9 and 10:30 a..m., Wednesday Activities: Family dinner at 5 p.m. ($4 per person, reservations required — dinner is not held during the summer). Prayer meeting, Youth Intersections, and MaxKidz Extreme meet at 6:15 p.m. The church is at 119 E. Royal Palm St., Lake Placid. For information, call 465-3721 or go to www.fbclp.com.

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

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

Florida Avenue Baptist Church, 401 S. Florida Ave., Avon Park. Mailing address is 710 W. Bell St., Avon Park, FL 33825. Telephone, 453-5339. Rev. John D. Girdley, pastor. Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Sunday Worship, 11 a.m.; 11 a.m. Children's Church; Sunday Evening Worship, 6 p.m. Wednesday night programs for children and youth at 6 p.m. and for adults at 6:30 p.m.

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

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

Maranatha Baptist Church (GARBC), 35 Maranatha Blvd., Sebring, FL 33870 (A half mile east of Highlands Avenue on Arbuckle Creek Road.) Sunday School, 9 a.m.; Morning Worship, 10:15 a.m.; Evening Service, 6 p.m. Mid-week service, Wednesday, 6 p.m. Daily Prayer and Bible Study, 8 a.m., Hamman Hall. Pastor Gerald Webber and Associate Pastors Don Messenger and Ted Ertle. Phone 382-4301.

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

Sparta Road Baptist Church, (SBC) 4400 Sparta Road. 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. For information, call 382-0869.

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

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

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

CATHOLIC

Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church, 595 E. Main St., Avon Park, 453-4757. Father Nicholas McLoughlin, pastor. Father Luis Pacheco parochial vicar. Saturday Vigil Mass is 4 p.m. in English and 7 p.m. in Spanish; Sunday mass 8 and 10:30 a.m. in English. Weekday mass at 8 a.m. English confession at 3:30 p.m. Saturday; Spanish confession at 6:30 p.m. Religious Education Classes (September to May) are 9-10:20 a.m. Sunday for grades K through 5th. Grades 6th through Youth Bible Study are from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Wednesday.

St. Catherine Catholic Church, 820 Hickory St., Sebring. Parrish office/mailing address: 882 Bay St., Sebring, FL 33870, 385-0049, 385-6762 (Spanish); fax, 385-5169; email, office@stcathe.com; website, www.stcathe.com. School Office/Mailing, Principal Dr. Anna V. Adam, 747 S. Franklin St., Sebring, FL 33870; 385-7300; fax, 385-7310; email school@stcathe.com. School office hours 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday-Friday. Clergy: Very Rev. José González, V.F., frjose@stcathe.com or 385-0049; Parochial Vicar, Rev. Victor Caviedes, 385-3993; Assisting Priest (retired), Rev. J. Peter Sheehan; Decons, Rev. Mr. James R. McGarry and Rev. Mr. Max M. Severe. WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE: Saturday: - 4 p.m.; Sunday - 8 and 10 a.m., 12 p.m. (Spanish), 5 p.m. (Holy Family Youth Center), every third Sunday of the month at 2 p.m. (French Mass). Daily Mass: Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. and 12 p.m. Saturday at 9 a.m. Sacrament of Reconcilliation: 7:15-7:45 a.m. first Friday, 2:30-3:15 p.m. Saturday and 9-9:45 a.m. Sunday. Office Hours: 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Monday-Friday.

St. James Catholic Church, 3380 Placidview Drive, Lake Placid, 465-3215. Father Michael J. Cannon. Mass schedule: Sunday 8 a..m. and 10 a.m. year round. Saturday Vigil 4 p.m. Weekdays 9 a.m. Holy days 9:30 a.m. (Vigil evening before at 7 p.m.) First Saturday of each month: Healing Mass, 9 a.m.

CHRISTIAN

Cornerstone Christian Church, (Saxon Hall) 1003 W. Pine St., Avon Park, FL 33825. Love Christ - Love People. Jon Carter, Music Minister. Sunday, 9 a.m. Bible Study; 10 a.m. Worship; Communion available each week. Wednesday, 7 p.m. Fellowship Group. For more information call 453-7679.

Sebring Christian Church, 4514 Hammock Road, Sebring, FL 33872. Tod Schwingel, Preacher. Kristy Marvin, Childrens Director. Youth Minister Blake Rushing. Sunday Worship, 9:30 a.m.; Sunday School, 11 a.m.; Wednesday night meals, 5:30 p.m. followed by classes at 6:30 p.m. Alzheimers Caregivers Support Group meets at 1 p.m. Thursdays. Phone 382-6676.

First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), 510 Poinsettia Avenue, (corner of Poinsettia and Eucalyptus), Sebring, FL 33870. Phone: 385-0358 or 385-3435. The Rev. Ronald Norton, Pastor; Sunday School, 9 a.m.; Praise Breakfast, 10 a..m., Morning Worship, 10:30 a.m.; Children's Church, 10:30 a.m. Youth Fellowship, 7:15 p.m.

CHRISTIAN & MISSIONARY ALLIANCE

The Alliance Church of Sebring, 451 Sparta Road, Sebring, FL 33875. Call 382-1343. Rev. Steve Hagen, pastor. Sunday services: Sunday School meets at 9:30 a.m.; Sunday Morning Worship Service meets at 10:30 a.m.; Sunday Evening Bible Study meets at 6 p.m. (off site); Wednesday Prayer Gathering meets at 6 p.m.

CHURCH OF BRETHREN

Church of the Brethren, 700 S. Pine St., Sebring, FL 33870. Sunday: Church School, 9 a.m.; Morning Worship, 10:15 a.m. Wednesday: Temple Choir, 7:30 p.m. Phone 385-1597.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Avon Park Church of Christ, 200 S. Forest Ave., Avon Park, FL 33825. Minister: Don Smith. Sunday Worship Services, 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. Nursery facilities are available at every service. Bible Study: Sunday, 9:30 a.m. and Wednesday, 7 p.m. Bible centered classes for all ages. Church phone: 453-4692.

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

Lake Placid Church of Christ, 1069 Hwy 27 North, Lake Placid, FL 33852. Mailing address is P.O. Box 1440, Lake Placid, FL 33862. Sunday morning worship is at 10 a.m. Sunday evening worship is 6 p.m. Bible class 9 a.m. Sundays and Wednesday evenings at 7 p.m. All are invited to join us. For more information, call the church at 863-465-4636 or visit the website www.thelordsway.com/lakeplacidcofc/.

Sebring Parkway Church of Christ, 3800 Sebring Parkway, Sebring, FL 33870; 385-7443. Minister: Kevin Patterson. Times of service are: Sunday Bible Class, 9 a.m.; Sunday Worship Service, 10 a.m.; Sunday Evening Service, 6 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Class, 7 p.m.

CHURCH OF GOD

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

CHURCH OF NAZARENE

First Church of the Nazarene of Avon Park, P.O. Box 1118., Avon Park, FL 33825-1118. 707 W. Main St. Sunday: Sunday school begins at 9:45 a.m. for all ages; morning worship at 10:45 a.m.; and evening service at 6 p.m. Wednesday evening service is at 7 p.m. with special services for children and adults. If you need any more information, call 453-4851.

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

CHURCHES OF CHRIST IN CHRISTIAN UNION

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EPISCOPAL

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St. Agnes Episcopal Church, 3840 Lakeview Drive, Sebring, FL 33870. Father Scott Walker. Sunday Services: Holy Eucharist Rite I - 7:30 a.m., Holy Eucharist Rite II - 10 a.m. Nursery available for the 10 a.m. service. Wednesday Bible study, 9:30 a.m. Visitors are always welcome. Church office 385-7649, for more information.

St. Francis of Assisi Anglican Episcopal Church, 43 Lake June Road, Lake Placid, FL 33852. Phone: 465-0051. Rev. Elizabeth L. Nelson, Rector. Worship: Summer Sunday schedule, June 1-Sept. 1, 2014: 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.. Sunday School at 10 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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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 variosu other classes for teens, married couples, "prime-timers," and Bible studies in Spanish. "Kid City" Day Care, Preschool and After-School Monday-Friday: 7 a.m.-6 p.m. (For registration call: 385-3111). Check us out on the Web at www.sebringgrace.org.

INDEPENDENT

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Faith Lutheran Church – LCMS,2740 Lakeview Dr, Sebring; Church phone: 385-7848; Faith Child Development Center: 385-3232. Sunday Worship Service: 9 a.m. Communion served 1st, 3rd & 5th Sunday. Sunday School & Bible Classes: 10 a.m. Worship Svc. Broadcast at 10 a.m. on WITS 1340AM each Sunday. Educational opportunities include weekly adult Bible studies, Faith's Closet Thrift Store (385-2782) is open from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Tuesday-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 9:30 a.m. 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 Pre-School director Education Hour, 8:45 a.m.; Worship service, 10 a.m. Holy Communion 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 Wwednesday evening during Advent and Lent. Call church office at 465-5253 or visit the website at www.TrinitylutheranIp.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, 33872-4458. Sunday Summer schedule: 9:00 a.m. Worship service. Sermon & songs signed in American Sign Language. (Nursery & Sunday School for Kindergarten through 5th grade) 10:45 a.m. Sunday School for all adults in Sanctuary. (Nursery and Sunday School classes for Kindergarten through Youth). Evening Service, 6:00 p.m. Wednesday: Youth, 6:00-7:30 p.m.; Prayer time, 6:15 p.m. Todd Patterson, pastor; Andy McQuaid, associate pastor. Church office 863-385-1024. Website: bfcsebring.com

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.

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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, worshiping 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.juanitafolsomministries.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.

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.

Avon Park — 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.

Lake Placid — 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, 9 a.m.; Contemporary Worship, 11 a.m.; Sunday School, 10:10 a.m. In addition, children's church (K-2nd grade) will be provided during the 11 a.m. worship service, and children's junior church (3rd-5th grade) is at the 11 a.m. worship service. 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.

Sebring — 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. Summer camp for 6th to 8th graders, Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesday: Adult Bible Study, 10:30 a.m. A nursery is available during worship. Call the church office for more information and other classes.

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SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST

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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.

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UNITED METHODIST

First United Methodist Church, 105 S. Pine St., 105 S. Pine St., Sebring, FL 33870. Pastor John A. Bryant. Traditional Worship Service at 8:10 and 10:50 a.m. in the sanctuary, Contemporary Worship in the FLC at 9:30 a.m. Sunday School at 9:30 and 10:30 a.m. Methodist Youth Fellowship at 5:30 p.m. Sundays The 10:55 a.m. Sunday worship service is broadcast over WITS 1340 on AM dial. There is a nursery available at all services.

First United Methodist Church, 200 S. Lake Ave., Avon Park, FL 33825. (863) 453-3759, Rev. Gary Pendrak, Pastor. Sunday School - 9 a.m., Worship - 10:30 a.m. Bible study every Wednesday at 6 p.m. Visit us at our church website: www.fumcap.org.

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

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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.

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Jan Merop

People often ask if we use GPS when we travel.

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Instead of GPS, my husband, Ken puts in our destination with one of the mapping services on-line where directions are given along with maps.

I've also been a passenger several times where GPS was used. I found the voice interruptions annoying. But, worse than that, we were given wrong directions and had to find our way out anyway.

Even on-line services don't guarantee accuracy.

Recently we followed directions to a street address using the on-line directions only to find that the road we were looking for was not there. We were in another state and unfamiliar with the back roads we were traveling. So, we turned around and followed our way back the way we had come, wondering all the way.

Perhaps many people feel that way about life.

It is a series of twists and turns, ups and downs with no particular destination shining brightly at the end. Sometimes we get it right. Sometimes we don't and we have to back track and start all over again.

But there is a road map for life if we will only dust off its cover, open its pages and begin to prayerfully read it. Yes, the Bible is the book I'm referring to. And in it you will find the only perfect GPS…God's Precious Son.

You'll never be lost with this GPS because he came to save the lost. You'll find wisdom and help for direction in your life because he longs for you to stay on the right path. You'll find a safe haven during troublesome times because he is our fortress and our strength in times of trouble.

Psalm 32: 8, NKJV puts it this way. "I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will guide you with My eye." The verses before speak of God's forgiveness of sin, God being our hiding place and surrounding us with songs of deliverance.

We do our due diligence with maps and directions when traveling. But, most importantly, we never leave home without prayers to the Lord for traveling mercies. We take our perfect GPS with us through the indwelling Holy Spirit.

We'll never be lost with GPS…God's Precious Son. Selah

Ramadan rush: Mega-rich shoppers descend on London

By SYLVIA HUI
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LONDON — Before the fast, let there be a shopping feast.

From Harrods in Knightsbridge to the glittering diamond stores in Mayfair, London has long attracted big spenders. But every year around the holy month of Ramadan, which starts this weekend, a wave of spectacularly rich Middle Eastern shoppers arrives and takes retail therapy to a whole new level — complete with an entourage of bodyguards, chauffeurs, and Gulf-registered Rolls-Royces and Ferraris flown in just for the occasion.

Retailers call the boost in business the Ramadan Rush: A hugely lucrative and fast-growing market driven by wealthy Arabs who travel to Britain to escape the desert heat and indulge in buying luxury gifts before flying home for a month of fasting and increased religious observance. Another surge takes place during the Eid holiday, which marks the end of Ramadan.

The spike in shoppers during the summer months has been so regular and noticeable on London's streets that some have jokingly dubbed the phenomenon the "Harrods Hajj," after the traditional Islamic pilgrimage to the holy city of Mecca.

"London is the place in Europe where the Middle Eastern visitor shops the most. It is almost their second home," said Gordon Clark, U.K. manager at Global Blue, the Switzerland-based retail research firm. The company estimates that pre-Ramadan sales last July jumped 60 percent compared with the previous year.

Although tourists from the oil-rich United Arab Emirates, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia and Qatar make up only a small percentage of total visits to Britain compared with those from the U.S. and Europe, they tend to be much more lavish spenders on average. Official figures show that Middle Eastern tourists ranked just 19th in terms of numbers of people last year, but came second in total spend — 888 million pounds ($1.5 billion).

The Kuwaitis are the biggest spenders, shelling out some 1,340 pounds ($2,275) per transaction last July, Clark said.

That corresponds with data from the London Luxury Quarter, a group that represents some of the highest-end businesses in central London. It said the average spend from Middle Eastern shoppers last year came just behind the Chinese, its top customers.

Unsurprisingly, the best sellers are exclusive designer handbags and shoes, watches and jewelry, though a Harrods spokeswoman said food gifts like luxury fruit baskets and extravagantly packaged dates and cocoa-dusted almonds also sell briskly.

Ramadan falls on the ninth month of the Islamic lunar calendar. Muslims around the world fast from dawn to sunset for a month, starting from Saturday.

The weeks surrounding the month offer retailers an opportunity they can't afford to miss, and many brands have responded to the trend by rolling out VIP services just for the period.

"We have been working with luxury retailers who offer exclusive products during pre-Ramadan," said Myf Ryan, marketing director at west London's Westfield shopping center. "Dior has limited-edition exotic skin handbags, and Louis Vuitton and Burberry are offering private client services."

The Westfield mall — one of Europe's largest — hopes to bring in record sales with the help of extra Arabic-speaking concierges and personal chauffeurs. For the really prolific shoppers, there is a "hands-free" service, which involves helpers who collect the shopping bags and help pack them in the car.

Other cosmopolitan cities, like Paris or Dubai, also see their share of pre-Ramadan shopping. But analysts say London has become the favorite destination.

Language is one reason — most of the shoppers can speak English. But that's just part of it.

"London has got the cultural aspects, the history, and it's a wonderfully inclusive city to visit," Ryan said. "The temperature's comfortable. And because the Middle Eastern customer is so important, hotels and the tourism industry are also very adept at making them comfortable."

All that may leave the average British or American shopper feeling a bit left out. But the Ramadan Rush does bring one direct benefit to the masses: Earlier sales. Many of Britain's department stores and fashion brands have been adjusting their summer sales schedule to make sure the high rollers get to shop new stock when they arrive.

"They're not interested in sales, because the stores are too busy," Clark said. "It's not a good shopping experience for them."

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3 days
$14
(additional lines $1 each)

MISCELLANEOUS
merchandise over $100
5 lines - 6 pubs
$17.50
(additional lines $3 each)

REAL ESTATE
EMPLOYMENT
TRANSPORTATION
5 lines - 6 pubs
$31.50
6 lines - 14 pubs
$71

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LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF WAIT LIST CLOSURE

Notice to the public is hereby given that the Avon Park Housing Authority (APHA) will close its Waiting List for the following Public & Assisted Housing developments, effective August 1, 2014;

Lakeside Park Transitional Housing
Lakeside Park Public Housing
Ridgedale Apartments

No further applications for housing will be accepted for the above referenced housing developments after July 30, 2014. The APHA will review the Waiting List for the above referenced housing developments again in mid-January, 2015 to evaluate/determine if the collective number of applicants appearing on the Wait List for those developments will be considered for admission/placement within a 24 month period of time. If the APHA determines that the volume of existing applicants on the Wait List is sufficient to satisfy the 24 month admission/placement period, notice will be published that the Wait List will be re-opened and applications taken. If the APHA determines that the volume of existing Wait List applicants exceeds the 24 month maximum waiting time for admission/placement, the Wait List for that development will remain closed. This Wait List evaluation process will be performed and administered on a development-by-development basis.

Persons requiring additional information or clarification regarding this notice and process related should contact the Avon Park Housing Authority Main Office located at 21 Tulane Drive, Avon Park, Florida; by phone; 863-452-4432; or website; www.avonparkha.org.

Publication date: June 23, 2014
June 29; July 2, 4, 6, 9, 11, 2014

NOTICE OF INTENT OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA TO CONSIDER ADOPTION OF AMENDMENTS OF SCHOOL DISTRICT RULE 2.90 AND NOTICE OF POTENTIAL PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE is hereby given that THE SCHOOL BOARD OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY intends to adopt amendments to Rule 2.90, Tobacco Use in District Facilities, at a regular meeting of the Board on Monday, July 28, 2014, at 5:30 p.m. in the Board Meeting Room, George Douglass Administration Building, 426 School Street, Sebring, Florida.The proposed amendments to the rule shall be effective upon adoption. Pursuant to Section 120.54, Florida Statutes, any affected person has twenty-eight (28) days after publication of this notice to request the opportunity to present evidence and argument to the School Board of Highlands County, Florida regarding the proposed rule. Such hearing must be requested in writing and received by Wally Cox, Superintendent, 426 School Street, Sebring, FL 33870, within 28 days after publication of this notice. If such hearing is requested, it will be held Monday, July 28, 2014, at 5:45 p.m. Any person desiring to attend such a hearing is requested to call the Superintendent's office to verify whether such hearing has been requested. The purpose and effect of the proposed rule or amendment is to update in accordance with annual review and implement statutory changes and other. A summary of the proposed rule or amendment(s) is as follows: Adds language to Rule 2.90 prohibiting the use of all tobacco products in any form including synthetic tobacco and use of electronic cigarettes. The specific legal authority will now consist of Sections 120.54, 1001.41, and 1001.42, 1001.43 and 386.201-386.209, Florida Statutes. The School District believes that the proposed rule or amendment(s) will have no effect on small business. The School District believes that the proposed rule or amendment will not result 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, productivity, innovation or international trade and/or alternative approaches to the regulatory 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 $150. The estimated annual cost of implementing and enforcing the proposed rule or amendment is $0. The text of the proposed rule or amendment can be obtained at the Superintendent's office (Attn. Marlene Welborn), George Douglass Administration Building, 426 School Street, Sebring, Florida 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
June 29, 2014

NOTICE OF INTENT OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA TO CONSIDER ADOPTION OF AMENDMENTS OF SCHOOL DISTRICT RULE 3.80 AND NOTICE OF POTENTIAL PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE is hereby given that THE SCHOOL BOARD OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY intends to adopt amendments to Rule 3.80, School Volunteers, at a regular meeting of the Board on Monday, July 28, 2014, at 5:30 p.m. in the Board Meeting Room, George Douglass Administration Building, 426 School Street, Sebring, Florida. The proposed amendments to the rule shall be effective upon adoption. Pursuant to Section 120.54, Florida Statutes, any affected person has twenty-eight (28) days after publication of this notice to request the opportunity to present evidence and argument to the School Board of Highlands County, Florida regarding the proposed rule. Such hearing must be requested in writing and received by Wally Cox, Superintendent, 426 School Street, Sebring, FL 33870, within 28 days after publication of this notice. If such hearing is requested, it will be held Monday, July 28, 2014, at 5:45 p.m. Any person desiring to attend such a hearing is requested to call the Superintendent's office to verify whether such hearing has been requested. The purpose and effect of the proposed rule or amendment is to update in accordance with annual review and implement statutory changes and other. A summary of the proposed rule or amendment(s) is as follows: Revises Section II. adding the following language: A person who has been convicted of a crime that would disqualify him/her for employment in the District shall not be accepted as a volunteer; adds citation for authority Section 435.04, Florida Statutes. The specific legal authority includes Sections 435.04, Florida Statutes, in addition to the statutory provisions cited in the current version of the rule. The School District believes that the proposed rule or amendment(s) will have no effect on small business. The School District believes that the proposed rule or amendment will not result 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, productivity, innovation or international trade and/or alternative approaches to the regulatory 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 $150. The estimated annual cost of implementing and enforcing the proposed rule or amendment is $0. The text of the proposed rule or amendment can be obtained at the Superintendent's office (Attn. Marlene Welborn), George Douglass Administration Building, 426 School Street, Sebring, Florida 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
June 29, 2014

NOTICE OF ACTION 16

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 10TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA
CIVIL DIVISION
CASE NO. **14000176GCAXMX**
JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION
Plaintiff,
vs.
ISIDRO GIL; ROSA GIL; UNKNOWN PERSON(S) IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY;
Defendants.
AMENDED NOTICE OF ACTION
To the following Defendant(s):
ISIDRO GIL
(RESIDENCE UNKNOWN)
ROSA GIL
(RESIDENCE UNKNOWN)
YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for Foreclosure of Mortgage on the following described property:
LOT 8, BLOCK 10, HIGHLANDS PARK ESTATES SECTION B, ACCORDING TO THE MAP OR PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 4, PAGE 68, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.
A/K/A 214 WASHINGTON BLVD, LAKE PLACID, FL 33852
has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy fo your written defenses, if any, to it, on Kahane & Associates, P.A., Attorney for Plaintiff, whose address is 8201 Peters Road, Ste. 3000, Plantation, Florida 33324 on or before **July 11, 2014**, a date which is within thirty (30) days after the first publication of this Notice in THE NEWS-SUN and file the original with the Clerk of this Court eithere before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint.
This notice is provided pursuant to Administrative Order No. 2.065.
In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you arr entitled, at no cost to you, to provisions of certain assistance. Pelase contact the Court Administrator at 430 South Commerce Avenue, Sebring, FL 33870, Phone No. (863)534-4690 within 2 working days of your receipt of this notcie or pleading; if you are hearing impaired, call 1-800-955-8771 (TDD); of you are voice impairecd, call 1-800-955-8770 (V) (Via Florida Relay Services).
WITNESS my hand and the seal fo this Court this 20th day of June, 2014.
ROBERT W. GERMAINE
As Clerk of the Court
By: /s/ **Toni Kopp**
As Deputy Clerk
14-00541 JPC
June 22, 29, 2014

NOTICE TO CREDITORS 20

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT
HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROBATE DIVISION
FILE NO. **PC 14-225**
Division Probate
IN RE: ESTATE OF
ANNIE MAE McKENZIE
a.k.a. ANNIE M. McKENZIE
Deceased.
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
(Summary Administration)
TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS OR DEMANDS AGAINST THE ABOVE ESTATE:
You are hereby notified that an Order of Summary Administration has been entered in the estate of **ANNIE MAE McKENZIE a.k.a ANNIE M. McKENZIE**, deceased, File Number **PC 14-225;** by the Circuit Court for Highlands County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 430 S. Commerce Avenue, Sebring, Florida 33870; that the decedent's date of death was **September 9, 2013;** that the total value of the estate is **$47,324.00** and that the names and addresses of those to whom it has been assigned by such order are:
Name Address
Mamie Jones
1600 SW 61st Avenue
North Lauderdale, Florida 33068
ALL INTERESTED PERSONS ARE NOTIFIED THAT:
All creditors of the estate of the decedent and persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent other than those for whom provision for full payment was made in the Order of Summary Administration must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN SECTION 733.702 OF THE FLORIDA PROBATE CODE. ALL CLAIMS AND DEMANDS NOT SO FILED WILL BE FOREVER BARRED. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER APPLICABLE TIME PERIOD, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.
The date of first publication of this Notice is **June 29, 2014.**
Person Giving Notice:
/s/ Mamie Jones
1600 SW 61st Avenue
North Lauderdale, Florida 33068
Attorney for Person Giving Notice:
/s/ **David F. Lanier**
DAVID F. LANIER
E-Mail Address:
lanier30@embarqmail.com
Florida Bar No. 045399
DAVID F. LANIER
P.O. Box 400
Avon Prk, Florida 33826-0400
Telephone: (863) 453-4457
June 29; July 6, 2014

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS OR DEMANDS AGAINST THE ABOVE ESTATE:
You are hereby notified that TREVA H. PAYNE died on April 13, 2014, whose last known address was 250 Blueberry Road, Sebring, Florida 33872. The name and address of the Trustee of the TREVA H. PAYNE REVOCABLE TRUST AS AMENDED AND RESTATED ON NOVEMBER 14, 2005, as amended through the First Amendment is as follows: John K. Payne, c/o McClure & Lobozzo, 211 South Ridgewood Drive, Sebring, Florida 33870, attention John K. McClure, P.A.
ALL INTERESTED PERSONS ARE NOTIFIED THAT:
All creditors of the estate of the decedent and persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent must file their claims with the Successor Trustee WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN SECTION 733.702 OF THE FLORIDA PROBATE CODE. ALL CLAIMS AND DEMANDS NOT SO FILED WILL BE FOREVER BARRED. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER APPLICABLE TIME PERIOD, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.
The date of first publication of this Notice is June 22, 2014.

Person Giving Notice
John K. McClure,
Attorney for John K. Payne, Trustee
Florida Bar Number: 286958
MCCLURE & LOBOZZO
211 S. Ridgewood Drive
Sebring, Florida 33870
Telephone: (863) 402-1888
Fax: (863) 402-2346
E-Mail: efile@mllaw.net
Secondary E-Mail: johnmc@mllaw.net
June 22, 29, 2014

NOTICE TO CREDITORS 20

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT
HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROBATE DIVISION
FILE NO. **PC 14-226**
Division Probate
IN RE: ESTATE OF
LIESELOTTE ABT
Deceased.
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
The administration of the estate of **LIESELOTTE ABT**, deceased, whose date of death was **May 3, 2014** and whose social security number is **XXX-XX-4487**, is pending in the Circuit Court for Highlands County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 430 S. Commerce Avenue, Sebring, Florida 33870. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.
All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.
All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.
ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, IN SECTION 733.702 OF THE FLORIDA PROBATE CODE WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.
NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.
The date of first publication of this Notice is **June 29, 2014.**
Personal Representative:
/s/ Lore M. Foster
18085 Via Roma
Yorba Linda,California 92886
Attorney for Personal Representative:
/s/ **David F. Lanier**
DAVID F. LANIER
E-Mail Address:
lanier30@embarqmail.com
Florida Bar No. 045399
DAVID F. LANIER
P.O. Box 400
Avon Prk, Florida 33826-0400
Telephone: (863) 453-4457
June 29; July 6, 2014

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT
FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROBATE DIVISION
File No. PC 14-229
Division
IN RE: ESTATE OF
JOHN RUSSEL CARUSO
a/k/a JOHN R. CARUSO
Deceased.
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Theadministration of the estate of John Russel Caruso a/k/a John R. Caruso, deceased, whose date of death was May 11, 2014, is pending in the Circuit Court for Highlands County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 590 South Commerce Avenue, Sebring, FL 33870. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.
All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court ON OR BEFORE THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.
All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICTION 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 June 22, 2014.
Personal Representative:
/s/ Frank Thomas English Jr.
574 Sunset Pointe Drive
Lake Placid, Florida 33852
Attorney for Personal Representative:
/s/ Michael A. Rider
MICHAEL A. RIDER
Florida Bar Number: 175661
13 N Oak Avenue
Lake Placid, FL 33852
Telephone: (863) 465-1111
Fax: (863) 465-8100
E-Mail:marider@mariderlaw.com
June 22, 29, 2014

NOTICE TO CREDITORS 20

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT
FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROBATE DIVISION
FILE NO. PC 14-210
Division Probate
IN RE: ESTATE OF
SONJA Y. MCLANE, a/k/a
SONIA Y. MCLANE
Deceased.
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
The administration of the estate of SONJA Y. MCLANE a/k/a SONIA Y. MCLANE, deceased, whose date of death was July 10, 2013, is pending in the Circuit Court for HIGHLANDS County, Florida,Probate Division, the address of which is 590 S. Commerce Ave., Sebring, FL 33870.The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.
All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.
All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.
ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN SECTION 733.702 OF THE FLORIDA PROBATE CODE WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.
NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S
DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.
The date of first publication of this Notice is June 22, 2014.
Personal Representative:
/s/ Frank Thomas English Jr.
574 Sunset Pointe Drive
Lake Placid, Florida 33852
Attorney for Personal Representative:
/s/ Michael A. Rider
MICHAEL A. RIDER
Florida Bar Number: 175661
13 N Oak Avenue
Lake Placid, FL 33852
Telephone: (863) 465-1111
Fax: (863) 465-8100
E-Mail:marider@mariderlaw.com
June 22, 29, 2014

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE 22

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT
OF THE 10TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT,
IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY,
FLORIDA
CIVIL DIVISION
CASE NO.: **12000065GCS**
WELLS FARGO BANK, NA,
Plaintiff,
vs.
ESSMA L. BRIFIL; HIGHLANDS

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE 22

COUNTY, FLORIDA; JORDANY BRIFIL; WILLIAM WOODHOUSE; UNKNOWN TENANT IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY,
Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated the **21st day of May, 2014**, and entered in Case No. **12000065GCS**, of the Circuit Court of the 10TH Judicial Circuit in and for Highlands County, Florida, wherein **WELLS FARGO BANK, NA** is the Plaintiff and **ESSMA L. BRIFIL; HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA, JORDANY BRIFIL; WILLIAM WOODHOUSE; UNKNOWN TENANT IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY** are defendants. The Clerk of this Court shall sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the, HIGHLANDS COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 430 SOUTH COMMERCE AVENUE, SEBRING, FL 33870, 11:00 AM on the **8th day of July, 2014,** the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

THE SOUTHWESTERLY 133.00 FEET OF THE SOUTHEASTERLY 1/2 OF LOT 2, IN SECTIONS 19 AND 20, TOWNSHIP 34 SOUTH, RANGE 29 EAST, DINNER LAKE SUBURB, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 5, PUBLIC RECORDS OF DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA, AND RECORDED IN PRING BOOK 1, PAGE 15, PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA, ALSO DESCRIBED AS PARCEL #3 ON PLAT RECORDED IN O.R. BOOK 290, PAGE 322, HIGHLANDS COUNTY PUBLIC RECORDS AND TOGETHER WITH 1/2 CLOSED CONTIGUOUS ROAD PER RESOLUTION RECORDED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 327, PAGE 564, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.

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

If you are a person with a disability who needs assistance in order to participate in a program or service of the State Courts System, you should contact the Office of the Court Administrator at (863)534-4686 (voice), (863)534-7777 (TDD) or (800)955-8770 (Florida Relay Service), as much in advance of your court appearance or visit to the courthouse as possible. Please be prepared to explain your functional limitations and suggest an auxiliary aid or service that you believe will enable you to effectively particpate in the court program or service.

Dated this **21st day of May, 2014**.

ROBERT W. GERMAINE
Clerk Of The Circuit Court
By: /s / **Toni Kopp**
Deputy Clerk

11-15019

June 22, 29, 2014

NOTICE OF SALE 30

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA
CIVIL DIVISION
Case #: **2010 000957 GCS**
Federal National Mortgage Association
Plaintiff,
vs.
The Estate of Scott L. Lane, Deceased; Unknown Heirs, Devisees, Grantees, Assignees, Creditors, Lienors and Trustees of the Estate of Scott L. Lane, Deceased, and all other Persons Claiming By, Through, Under and Against the Named Defendant(s); Melissa L. Lane, Individually and as Guardian of Scott L. Lane, Jr., a Minor and Brian Lane, a Minor; Scott L. Lane, a Minor and Brian Lane, a Minor; Scott L. Lane, a Minor; Brian Lane, a Minor; Tiki Financial Services, Inc.; Unknown Tenants in Possession #1; Unknown Tenants in Possession #2; 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
Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to order rescheduling foreclosure sale or Final Judgment, entered in Civil Case No. **2010 000957 GCS** of the Circuit Court of the 10th Judicial Circuit in and for Highlands County, Florida, wherein **Federal National Mortgage Association**, Plaintiff and **The Estate of Scott L. Lane, Deceased** are defendant(s), I, Clerk of Court, Robert W. Germaine, will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash AT THE JURY ASSEMBLY ROOM IN THE BASEMENT OF THE HIGHLANDS COUNTY COURTHOUSE LOCATED AT 430 SOUTH COMMERCE AVENUE, SEBRING, FLORIDA AT 11:00 A.M. on **July 22**, **2014**, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to-wit:

LOTS 17 AND 18, BLOCK 13, AVON PARK LAKES RED HILL FARMS ADDITION, UNIT F, ACCORDING TO THE MAP OR PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 5, PAGE 49, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.

ANY PERSON CLAIMING AN INTERST 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 participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact Court Administration 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.

Robert W. Germaine
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
Highlands County, Florida
By: /s/ **Toni Kopp**
DEPUTY CLERK OF COURT
10-179608 FC01 WCC

June 29; July 6, 2014

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA,
IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY
CIVIL DIVISION
Case No. **28-2013-CA-000165-GCAX-MX**
Division: Civil Division
JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION
Plaintiff,
VS.
EZEQUIEL SOTO, et al.
Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to a Final Summary Judgment of Foreclosure entered in the above-style case, I will sell the property located in HIGHLANDS County, Florida, described as:

THE SOUTHWESTERLY HALF OF LOT 5351, ADJACENT TO LOT 5352, AND ALL OF LOTS 5352 AND 5353, AVON PARK LAKES, UNIT NO. 17, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 5, PAGE 10, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.

Property address: 2500 W. Seville Dr., Avon Park, FL 33825at public sale, to the highest and best bidder, for cash, by electronic sale at IN THE JURY ASSEMBLY ROOM IN THE BASEMENT OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY COURTHOUSE LOCATED AT 430 SOUTH COMMERCE AVENUE, SEBRING, FLORIDA, beginning at 11:00 AM on **August 5, 2014.**

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.

Witness, my hand and seal of this court on the **4th day of April, 2014.**

CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT
ROBERT W. GERMAINE, CLERK
By: /s/ **Toni Kopp**
Deputy Clerk

If you are a person with a disability who needs assistance in order to participate in a program or service of the State Courts System, you should contact the Office of the Court Administrator at (863) 534-3686 (voice), (863) 534-7777 (TDD) or (800) 955-8770 (Florida Relay Service), as much in advance of your court appearance or visit to the courthouse as possible. Please be prepared to explain your functional limitations and suggest an auxiliary aid or service that you believe will enable you to effectively participate in the court program or service.
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June 29; July 6, 2014

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA
CIVIL DIVISION
Case #: **2012-CA-000007**
Nationstar Mortgage LLC
Plaintiff,
vs.
Kathleen D. Diamond, Surviving Spouse of Kenneth J. Diamond, Deceased; Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as Nominee for Countrywide Home Loans, Inc.; 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 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
Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to order rescheduling foreclosure sale or Final Judgment, entered in Civil Case No. **2012-CA-000007** of the Circuit Court of the 10th Judicial Circuit in and for Highlands County, Florida, wherein **Nationstar Mortgage LLC**, Plaintiff and **Kathleen D. Diamond, Surviving Spouse of Kenneth J. Diamond, Deceased** are defendant(s), I, Clerk of Court, Robert W. Germaine, will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash AT THE JURY ASSEMBLY ROOM IN THE BASEMENT OF THE HIGHLANDS COUNTY COURTHOUSE LOCATED AT 430 SOUTH COMMERCE AVENUE, SEBRING, FLORIDA AT 11:00 A.M. on **July 17**, **2014**, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to-wit:

LOT 6, BLOCK 5, OF ORANGE BLOSSOM ESTATES, UNIT NO. 7, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 6, PAGE 26, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.

ANY PERSON CLAIMING AN INTERST 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 participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact Court Administration 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.

Robert W. Germaine
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
Highlands County, Florida
By: /s/ **Priscilla Michalak**
DEPUTY CLERK OF COURT
10-203919 FC01 CXE

June 22, 29, 2014

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE/DISPOSAL
According to the Florida Self Storage Act, the following storage units located at First Security Self Storage, 1866 S. Wilburn Drive, Avon Park, FL 33825, will be disposed/sold on July 7, 2014 at 10:00 AM. All units are said to contain household goods-unless otherwise stated.

UNIT NUMBERS AND NAMES ARE AS FOLLOWS:
A004 Basil Makris
A010 Milton Lewis
A013 Catherine Wyatte
A022 Sherita Brooks
A023 Kimberly Swindle
B017 Cleo Pyatt
B046 Donald Cook
B055 Michael Russell
B067 Kimeko Billy
C064 Delores Carter
D016 Joyce Kuen
D137 Treyvonne Wilson
E028 Basil Makris
E047 Darrisa Gibson
E056 Latisha Denton
F018 Michael Smith
F022 Mike Tatum
F031 Roger Smith
G008 Derrick Moses
Disposition being made to satisfy landlord's lien. Management reserves all rights under Florida Law. All payments must be made in cash.

June 22, 29, 2014

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA
CIVIL DIVISION
Case #: **2013-CA-000373**
Bank of America, National Association
Plaintiff,
vs.
Ann Marie P. Mathews a/k/a Ann Marie Mathews; Unknown Spouse of Ann Marie P. Mathews a/k/a Ann Marie Mathews; Blue Heron Subdivision, Inc.; Spring Lake Home Owners Association, Inc. d/b/a Spring Lake Property Association, Inc.; BlueHeron Golf Course & Residential Community, Inc.; 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 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
Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to order rescheduling foreclosure sale or Final Judgment, entered in Civil Case No. **2013-CA-000373** of the Circuit Court of the 10th Judicial Circuit in and for Highlands County, Florida, wherein **Bank of America, National Association**, Plaintiff and **Ann Marie P. Mathews** are defendant(s), I, Clerk of Court, Robert W. Germaine, will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash AT THE JURY ASSEMBLY ROOM IN THE BASEMENT OF THE HIGHLANDS COUNTY COURTHOUSE LOCATED AT 430 SOUTH COMMERCE AVENUE, SEBRING, FLORIDA AT 11:00 A.M. on **July 22**, **2014**, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to-wit:

LOT 213, OF BLUE HERON GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 15, PAGE 78, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.

ANY PERSON CLAIMING AN INTERST 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 participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact Court Administration 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.

Robert W. Germaine
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
Highlands County, Florida
By: /s/ **Toni Kopp**
DEPUTY CLERK OF COURT
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June 29; July 6, 2014

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA,
IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY
CIVIL DIVISION
Case No. **28-2013-CA-000175-GCAX-MX**
Division: Civil Division
FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION
Plaintiff,
VS.
NIEVES M. PORTILLA, et al.
Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to a Final Summary Judgment of Foreclosure entered in the above-style case, I will sell the property located in HIGHLANDS County, Florida, described as:

A portion of Lots 51, 52 and 53, SEBRING SHORES DEVELOPMENT, SECTION THREE, according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 7, Page 55, of the Public Records of Highlands County, Florida, being more particularly described as follows: COMMENCE at the Northwesterly corner of Lot 53; thence run South 34 degrees 14'10" West along the Northwesterly line of said Lot 53 for a distance of 48.92 feet to a point of curvature; thence run Southwesterly along a circular curve to the left, having for its elements a radius of 642.06 feet, a central angle of 2 degrees 09'47", for an arc distance of 24.24 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING; thence continue in a Southwesterly direction along said circular curve to the left having for its lements a radius of 642.06 feet, a central angle of 7 degrees 13'08"' for an arc distance of 80.89 feet to a point; thence run South 65 degrees 08'45" East, radial to the last described curve, for a distance fo 134.00 feet to a point on the Southeasterly line of said Lot 51, said point being on a circular curve; thence Northeasterly along said circular curve to the right, having for its elements a radius of 508.06 feet, a central angle of 7 degrees 50'26" for an arc distance of 69.52 feet to a point; thence run North 60 degrees 17'07" West, not radial, for a distance of 134.14 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING.

Property address: 112 Spring Garden Rd., Sebring, FL 33870 at public sale, to the highest and best bidder, for cash, by electronic sale at IN THE JURY ASSEMBLY ROOM IN THE BASEMENT OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY COURTHOUSE LOCATED AT 430 SOUTH COMMERCE AVENUE, SEBRING, FLORIDA, beginning at 11:00 AM on **July 31, 2014.**

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.

Witness, my hand and seal of this court on the **23rd day of April, 2014.**

CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT
ROBERT W. GERMAINE, CLERK
By: /s/ **Toni Kopp**
Deputy Clerk

If you are a person with a disability who needs assistance in order to participate in a program or service of the State Courts System, you should contact the Office of the Court Administrator at (863) 534-3686 (voice), (863) 534-7777 (TDD) or (800) 955-8770 (Florida Relay Service), as much in advance of your court appearance or visit to the courthouse as possible. Please be prepared to explain your functional limitations and suggest an auxiliary aid or service that you believe will enable you to effectively participate in the court program or service.
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June 29; July 6, 2014

IN THE CIRCUIT CIVIL COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY
CIVIL DIVISION
CASE NO.: **28-2012-CA-000744**
Division
BRANCH BANKING AND TRUST COMPANY
Plaintiff,
vs.
COLLEEN GULLIVER RUNNER A/K/A COLLEEN G. RUNNER A/K/A COLLEEN B. RUNNER A/K/A COLLEEN BETH RUNNER, TERRY WARREN MAY, AND UNKNOWN TENANTS/OWNERS,
Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to Final Judgment of Foreclosure for Plaintiff entered in this cause on **June 3, 2014**, in the Circuit Court of HIGHLANDS County, Florida, I will sell the property situated in Highlands County, Florida described as:

LOTS 776, 777 AND 778 OF AVON PARK LAKES, UNIT NO. 2, ACCORDING TO THE MAP OR PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 4, PAGE 89, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.

and commonly known as: **2124 N CARDINAL RD, AVON PARK, FL 33825;** including the building, appurtenances, and fixtures located therein, at public sale, to the highest and best bidder, for cash, Sales are held in the Jury Assembly Room in the basement of the Highlands County Courthouse located at 430 S. Commerce Avenue, Sebring, Florida 33870, on **July 10, 2014** at 11 a.m.

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

Dated this **9th day of June, 2014.**

C4erk of the Circuit Court
ROBERT W. GERMAINE
By: /s/ **Priscilla Michalak**
Deputy Clerk

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June 22, 29, 2014

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA
CIVIL DIVISION
CASE NO. 2012-CA-000919-GCS
Division No.
NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE, LLC
Plaintiff,
KENNETH E. MARION, et al,
Defendants/

RE-NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order or Final Judgment dated May 20, 2014, and entered in Case No. 2012-CA-000919-GCS of the Circuit Court of the TENTH Judicial Circuit in and for HIGHLANDS County, Florida, wherein NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE, LLC is the Plaintiff and WENDY L. MORGAN AND UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF JO ANN B. WILSON NKA MAYNARD WILSON AND Any and All Unknown Parties Claiming By, Through, Under or Against Kenneth E. Marion A/K/A Kenneth Marion A/K/A Ken Marion, deceased, who are not known to be dead or alive, whether said unknown parties may claim an interst as spouses, heirs, devisees, grantees are the Defendants, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, in the Jury Assembly Room, basement, of the Highlands County Courthouse, 430 S. Commerce Ave., Sebring, FL 33870, at 11:00 A.M. on July 8, 2014, the following described property as set forth in said Order of Final Judgment, to wit:

Lot 10, Block 86, Section 2, Town of Harding, According to the Plat Thereof As Recorded In Plat Book 1, Page 104 Of The Public Records Of Highlands County, Florida.

and commonly known as: 17506 BROADLAND LANE, OKEECHOBEE, FL 34974

IF YOU ARE A PERSON CLAIMING A RIGHT TO FUNDS REMAINING AFTER THE SALE, YOU MUST FILE A CLAIM WITH THE CLERK OF COURT 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.

DATED at Highlands County, Florida, this 20th day of May, 2014.

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

In accordance with the Americans With Disabilities Act, persons in need of a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding shall, within seven (7) days prior to any proceeding, contact the Administrative Office of the Court, HIGHLANDS County, 590 SOUTH COMMERCE AVENUE, SEBRING, FL 33870, County Phone: 863-402-6594 TDD 1-800-955-8771 or 1-800-955-8770 via Florida Relay Service.

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June 22, 29, 2014

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO. **28-2013-CA-000271**
GREEN TREE SERVICING LLC
Plaintiff,
v.
ERIN K. KAPALO; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF ERIN K. KAPALO; UNKNOWN TENANT 1: UNKNOWN TENANT 2; AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH. UNDER OR AGAINST THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANT(S), WHO (IS/ARE) NOT KNOWN TO BE DEAD OR ALIVE, WHETHER SAID UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIM AS HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES. LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES, SPOUSES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS; **FIRST HORIZON HOME LOANS, A DIVISION OF FIRST TENNESSEE BANK, N.A.**
Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to the Summary Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on **May 20, 2014,** in this cause, in the Circuit Court of Highlands County, Florida, the clerk shall sell the property situated in Highlands County, Florida, described as:

LOT 19, BLOCK 159, OF PLACID LAKES SECTION 13, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 8, PAGE 13, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.

a/k/a 615 STAR FRUIT AVE, LAKE PLACID, FL 33852

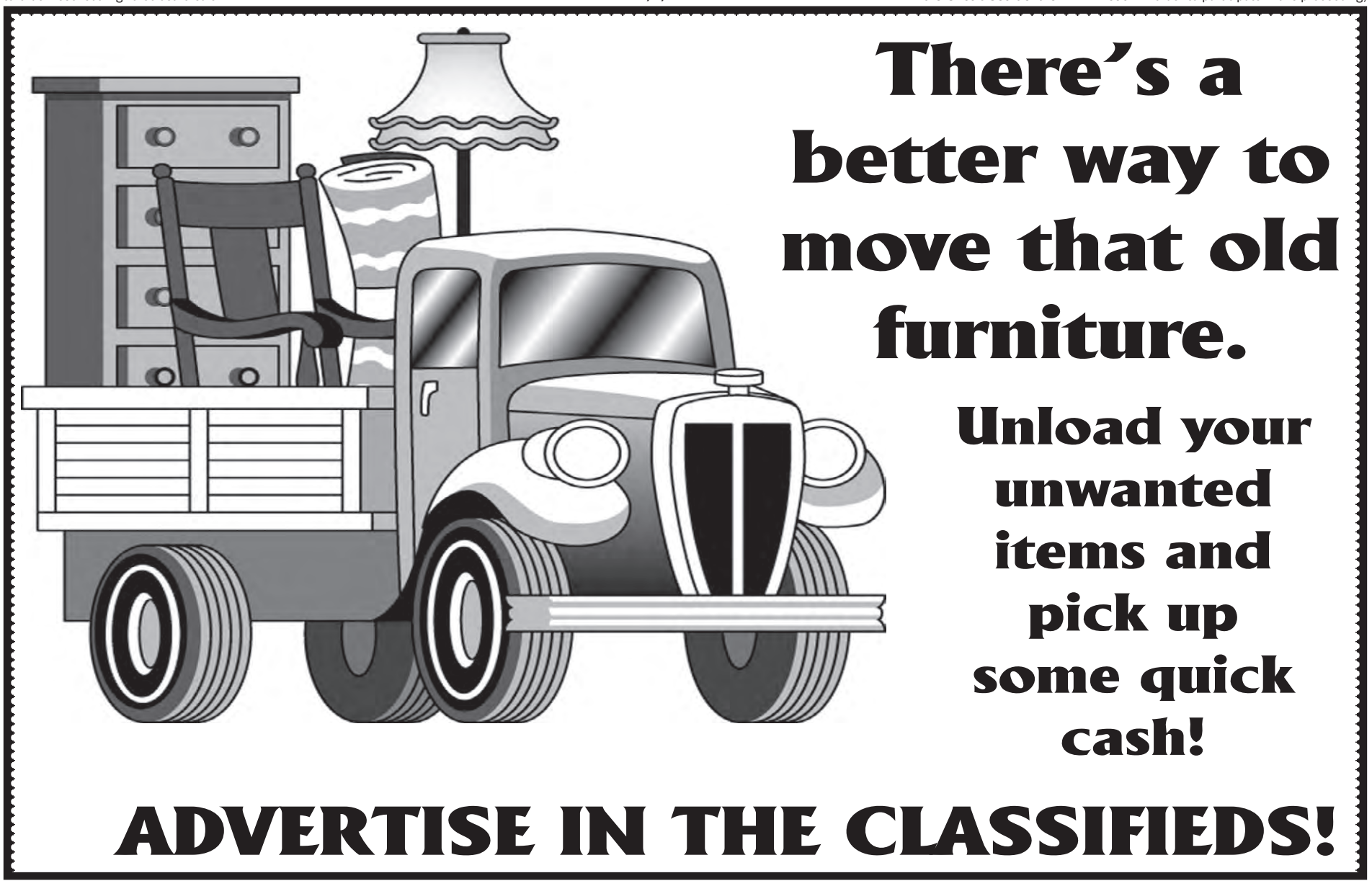
at public sale, to the highest and best bidder, for cash, in the Jury Assembly Room in the basement of the Highlands County Courthouse, located at 430 South Commerce Avenue, Sebring, FL 33870-3867, on **July 8, 2014** beginning at 11:00 AM.

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.

Dated this **20th day of May, 2014.**

Robert W. Germaine
Clerk of the Circuit Court
By: /s/ **Toni Kopp**
Deputy Clerk

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding,



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you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Within Two (2) working days of your receipt of this notice, please contact the Court Administration Office at (863)534-4690. If you are hearing or voice impaired, call TDD 1-800-955-8771 OR 1-800-955-8770 (v), VIA FLORIDA RELAY SERVICE.
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June 22, 29, 2014

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 10TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO. 11000463GCS
NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE, LLC,
Plaintiff,
vs.
NUSRAT SULTANA, THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF NUSRAT SULTANA; KAISER ALI CHOWDHURY; MANOR HILL OWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC.; 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; TENANT #1, TENANT #2, TENANT #3, AND TENANT #4 THE NAMES BEING FICTITIOUS TO ACCOUNT FOR PARTIES IN POSSESSION,
Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated on or about May 8, 2014, entered in Civil Case No. 2011-CA-000463GCS of the Circuit Court of the Tenth Judicial Circuit in and for Highlands County, Florida, wherein NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC is Plaintiff and NUSRAT SULTANA, THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF NUSRAT SULTANA; KAISER ALI CHOWDHURY; MANOR HILL OWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC.; 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; TENANT #1, TENANT #2, TENANT #3, AND TENANT #4 THE NAMES BEING FICTITIOUS TO ACCOUNT FOR PARTIES IN POSSESSION, are the defendants.

Robert W. Germaine, as Clerk of the Circuit Court, will sell to the highest bidder for cash at on July 10, 2014 at 11:00 a.m., in the Jury Assembly Room in the basement of the Highlands County Courthouse, 430 South Commerce Avenue, Sebring, FL 33870 in accordance with S45.031, Florida Statutes, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment of Foreclosure, to wit:

Lot 4, Block 265, SUN 'N LAKE ESTATES OF SEBRING, UNIT 13, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 9, Page 71, of the Public Records of Highlands County, Florida.

Address: 3023 Monza Drive, Sebring, Florida 33872

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.

ROBERT W. GERMAINE
Clerk of the Circuit Court
By: /s/ Priscilla Michalak
Deputy Clerk

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June 22, 29, 2014

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY
CIVIL DIVISION
Case No. **28-2009-CA-001948-XXAX-MX**
Division: Civil Division
BANK OF AMERICA, N.A.
Plaintiff,
VS.
DANIEL R. SAWICKI, SR., et al.
Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to a Final Summary Judgment of Foreclosure entered in the above-style case, I will sell the property located in HIGHLANDS County, Florida, described as:

LOT 11796 AND LOT 11797, OF AVON PARK LAKES, UNIT NO. 37, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 5, PAGE 69, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.

Property address: 2619 WELLSTON ROAD WEST, AVON PARK, FL 33825

at public sale, to the highest and best bidder, for cash, by electronic sale at IN THE JURY ASSEMBLY ROOM IN THE BASEMENT OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY COURTHOUSE LOCATED AT 430 SOUTH COMMERCE AVENUE, SEBRING, FLORIDA, beginning at 11:00 AM on **August 6, 2014.**

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.

Witness, my hand and seal of this court on the **30th day of April, 2014.**

CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT
ROBERT W. GERMAINE, CLERK
By: /s/ **Toni Kopp**
Deputy Clerk

If you are a person with a disability who needs assistance in order to participate in a program or service of the State Courts System, you should contact the Office of the Court Administrator at (863) 534-3686 (voice), (863) 534-7777 (TDD) or (800) 955-8770 (Florida Relay Service), as much in advance of your court appearance or visit to the courthouse as possible. Please be prepared to explain your functional limitations and suggest an auxiliary aid or service that you believe will enable you to effectively participate in the court program or service.
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June 29; July 6, 2014

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA
CIVIL DIVISION
CASE NO. 28-2011-CA-000903
Division No.
DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE FOR THE HOLDERS OF MORGAN STANLEY ABS CAPITAL I INC., TRUST 2007-HE7, MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-HE7
Plaintiff,
ALICIA M. RUIZ AND HERMINIO GARCIA, e.t al.
Defendants/

RE-NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order or Final Judgment dated June 3, 2014, and entered in Case No. 28-2011-CA-000903 of the Circuit Court of the TENTH Judicial Circuit in and for HIGHLANDS County, Florida, wherein DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE FOR THE HOLDERS OF MORGAN STANLEY ABS CAPITAL I INC., TRUST 2007-HE7, MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-HE7 is the Plaintiff and ALICIA M. RUIZ AKA ALICIA MARI RUIZ AKA ALICIA RUIZ AND HERMINIO GARCIA are the Defendants, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, in the Jury Assembly Room, basement, of the Highlands County Courthouse, 430 S. Commerce Ave., Sebring, FL 33870, at 11:00 A.M. on July 10, 2014, the following described property as set forth in said Order of Final Judgment, to wit:

Lot 35, Sebring Oaks,, According to the Plat Thereof, Recorded In Plat Book 7, Page 40, Of The Public Records Of Highlands County, Florida.

and commonly known as: 4904 BLACK OAK STREET, SEBRING, FL 33870

IF YOU ARE A PERSON CLAIMING A RIGHT TO FUNDS REMAINING AFTER THE SALE, YOU MUST FILE A CLAIM WITH THE CLERK OF COURT 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.

DATED at Highlands County, Florida, this 4th day of June, 2014.

ROBERT W. GERMAINE, CLERK
HIGHLANDS County, Florida
By: /s/ Priscilla Michalak
Deputy Clerk

In accordance with the Americans With Disabilities Act, persons in need of a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding shall, within seven (7) days prior to any proceeding, contact the Administrative Office of the Court, HIGHLANDS County, 590 SOUTH COMMERCE AVENUE, SEBRING, FL 33870, County Phone: 863-402-6594 TDD 1-800-955-8771 or 1-800-955-8770 via Florida Relay Service.
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June 22, 29, 2014

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO. **28-2013-CA-000415**
WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A.
Plaintiff,
v.
JESSIE ANDREW RUSSELL; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF JESSIE ANDREW RUSSELL; UNKNOWN TENANT 1: UNKNOWN TENANT 2; AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH. UNDER OR AGAINST THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANT(S), WHO (IS/ARE) NOT KNOWN TO BE DEAD OR ALIVE, WHETHER SAID UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIM AS HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES. LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES, SPOUSES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS; Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to the Summary Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on **March 05, 2014,** and the Order Rescheduling Foreclosure Sale entered on July 9, 2014, in this cause, in the Circuit Court of Highlands County, Florida, the clerk shall sell the property situated in Highlands County, Florida, described as:

LOT O, SUBDIVISION OF TRACT M IN BLOCK 100, PLACID LAKES SECTION SEVENTEEN, PLAT BOOK 8, PAGE 40, HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 12, PAGE 4, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.

a/k/a 787 LAKE AUGUST DR, LAKE PLACID, FL 33852-4035

at public sale, to the highest and best bidder, for cash, in the Jury Assembly Room in the basement of the Highlands County Courthouse, located at 430 South Commerce Avenue, Sebring, FL 33870-3867, on **July 9, 2014** beginning at 11:00 AM.

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

Dated at Sebring, Florida, this **7th day of May, 2014.**

Robert W. Germaine
Clerk of the Circuit Court
By: /s/ **Toni Kopp**
Deputy Clerk

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Within Two (2) working days of your receipt of this notice, please contact the Court Administration Office at (863)534-4690. If you are hearing or voice impaired, call TDD 1-800-955-8771 OR 1-800-955-8770 (v), VIA FLORIDA RELAY SERVICE.
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June 22, 29, 2014

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: **28-2013-CA-000460**
THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON TRUST COMPANY, N.A., NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY IN ITS CAPACITY AS TRUSTEE ON BEHLF OF THE FDIC 2013-N1 ASSET TRUST,
Plaintiff,
v.
WILBERT HOLDMAN et al.
Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered in the cause pending in the Circuit Court of the Tenth Judicial Circuit, in and for Highlands County, Florida, **Case No. 2013-CA-000460**, in which **THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON TRUST COMPANY, N.A., NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY IN ITS CAPACITY AS TRUSTEE ON BEHALF OF THE FDIC 2013-N1 ASSET TRUST**, is Plaintiff, and **Wilbert Holdman, Ford Motor Credit Company, LLC, Unknown Spouse of Wilbert Holdman and Unknown Tenant,** are Defendants, the undersigned Clerk will sell the following described property situated in Highlands County, Florida:

That Portion of the South Half of Lot 7, in Block C, of CROSBYS SUBDIVISION, A Subdivision of the Southeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter, in Block 16, in Section 15, Township 33 South, Range 28 East, according to the Plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 1, Page 74, of the Public Records of DeSoto County, (now Highlands) and in Transcript Book, Page 27, of the Public Records of Highlands County, Florida, described as follows: START at the Southeast Corner of said Lot 7 and run West along the South Line thereof 6 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING; thence continue West along the South Line of said Lot a distance of 57 feet; thence North and parallel with the East Line of said Lot a distance of 135 feet; thence East and parallel with the South Line of said Lot 1 distance of 57 feet; thence South and parallel with the East Line of said Lot to the POINT OF BEGINNING.

a/k/a 7 E. Winthrop Street, Avon Park, Florida 33825

Together with an undivided percentage interest in the common elements pertaining thereto at public sale, to the highest and best bidder for cash at 11:00 am on the **17th day of July, 2014**, at the Jury Assembly Room Foyer at the Highlands County Courthouse, 430 South Commerce Avenue, Sebring, FL 33870.

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

Dated this **3rd day of June, 2014.**

ROBERT W. GERMAINE, CLERK
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
As Clerk of the Court
BY: /S/ **Toni Kopp**
Deputy Clerk

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please conact the Office of the Court Administrator, (863)534-4690, within two (2) working days of your receipt of the Notice of Sale; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call TDD (863)534-7777 or Florida Relay Service 711.

June 29; July 6, 2014

1000 REAL ESTATE

"We Are Pledged To The Letter And Spirit of U.S. Policy For The Achievement Of Equal Housing Opportunity Throughout The Nation. We Encourage And Support An Affirmative Advertising And Marketing Program In Which there Are No Barriers To Obtaining Housing Because of Race, Color, Religion, Sec, Handicap, Familial Status Or National Origin."

HOMES FOR SALE AVON PARK 1025

By owner, 3/2 1/2, 3 pool home w/ dream kitchen, boxed ceilings, crown molding throughout,fireplace,3400 living area w/home generator on half acre, 863 453-4465 directions only.

MOBILE HOMES FOR SALE 1090

LARGE 1/1 MOBILE, great condition. New carpet/air/screen room, 55+ park, $310 lot rent, $3000 cash owner financing, 863-304-2849,

Palm Harbor Homes - limited time offer! $5K towards any exterior package. We have 24 wide, 26, 28 & 30 wide homes. 3 stock units reduced 26K, Homes from the $60's plantcity.palmharbor.com or 800-622-2832 *Se habla espanol

FURNISHED HOUSE FOR RENT 1212

1 BEDROOM/1 BATH furnished, Lake Placid near boat ramp, $450 month, 863-465-1354.

UNFURNISHED HOUSE FOR RENT 1214

River Greens GCC, beautiful 3 bdrm.1& 1/2 bath, lanai, all air conditioned. 1mile from 27 N. No pets. Call 865 323-0467 or 865 207-8279

Sebring,Large remodeled 3/2 overlooking Lake Jackson. 1525 sq ft w/ 1 car garage & carpt Large windows Landscaped. Yard maint incl in rent. Rent is $1055. Alan Miller at 440 235-5533 or heavybarrel@sbcgloval.net.

2000 EMPLOYMENT

HELP WANTED 2001

Budweiser
Has an immediate opening for a Delivery Route Trainee, work week is Tue thru Sat, 50 hours per week avg. Starting wage approx. $500 per week to start, increase once on a route. Class A CDL a plus, but not required. Bernie Little Dist offers an excellent benefits package. Apply in person at 8049 Associate Blvd., Sebring.

SKILLED TRADES 2050

HVAC Pipefitters wanted for Large Commercial Mechanical Contractor in Sebring/Lake Placid Area. Great career opportunity for movtivated persons. Excellent benefits:Drug Free Workplace. Compensation depends on experience. EOE M/F/D/V Call 866 584-9528 or Fax resume to : 321 541-1381

MANAGEMENT 2060

Full Time Mission Specialist
Girl Scouts of Gulfcoast Florida, Inc. seeks a new team member to serve Highlands & Hardee counties; responsible for managing the development, delivery and extension of Girl Scout leadership program and membership in assigned geographical area with a focus through series, event, and troop pathways. She/he represents and extends Girl Scouting in the community through presentations, collaborative efforts, and networking; ensures Girl Scout program is accessible throughout assigned juridiction. Complete position description and requirements at www.gsgcf.org/about/careers
EOE/Drug Free Workplace. Position is open - June 24, 2014

GENERAL 2100

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
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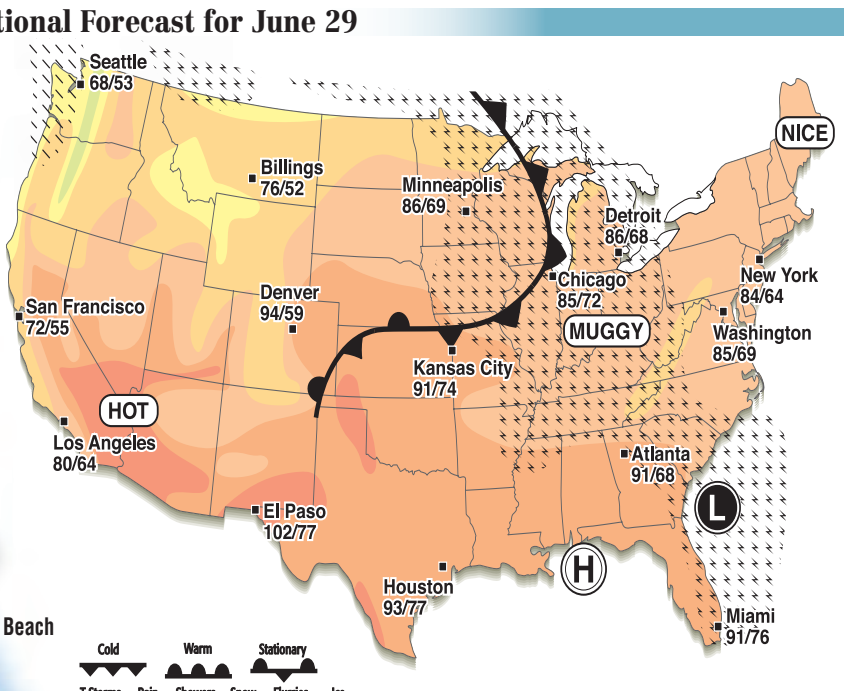
Five-Day forecast for Highlands County

TODAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
Partly sunny, a couple of t-storms	Heavy afternoon thunderstorms	Drenching afternoon thunderstorms	A couple of t-storms, mainly later	An afternoon thunderstorm in spots
94° / 75°	92° / 75°	93° / 75°	92° / 74°	92° / 74°
Winds: NNW at 4-8 mph	Winds: NW at 4-8 mph	Winds: W at 3-6 mph	Winds: SSW at 4-8 mph	Winds: SSW at 4-8 mph

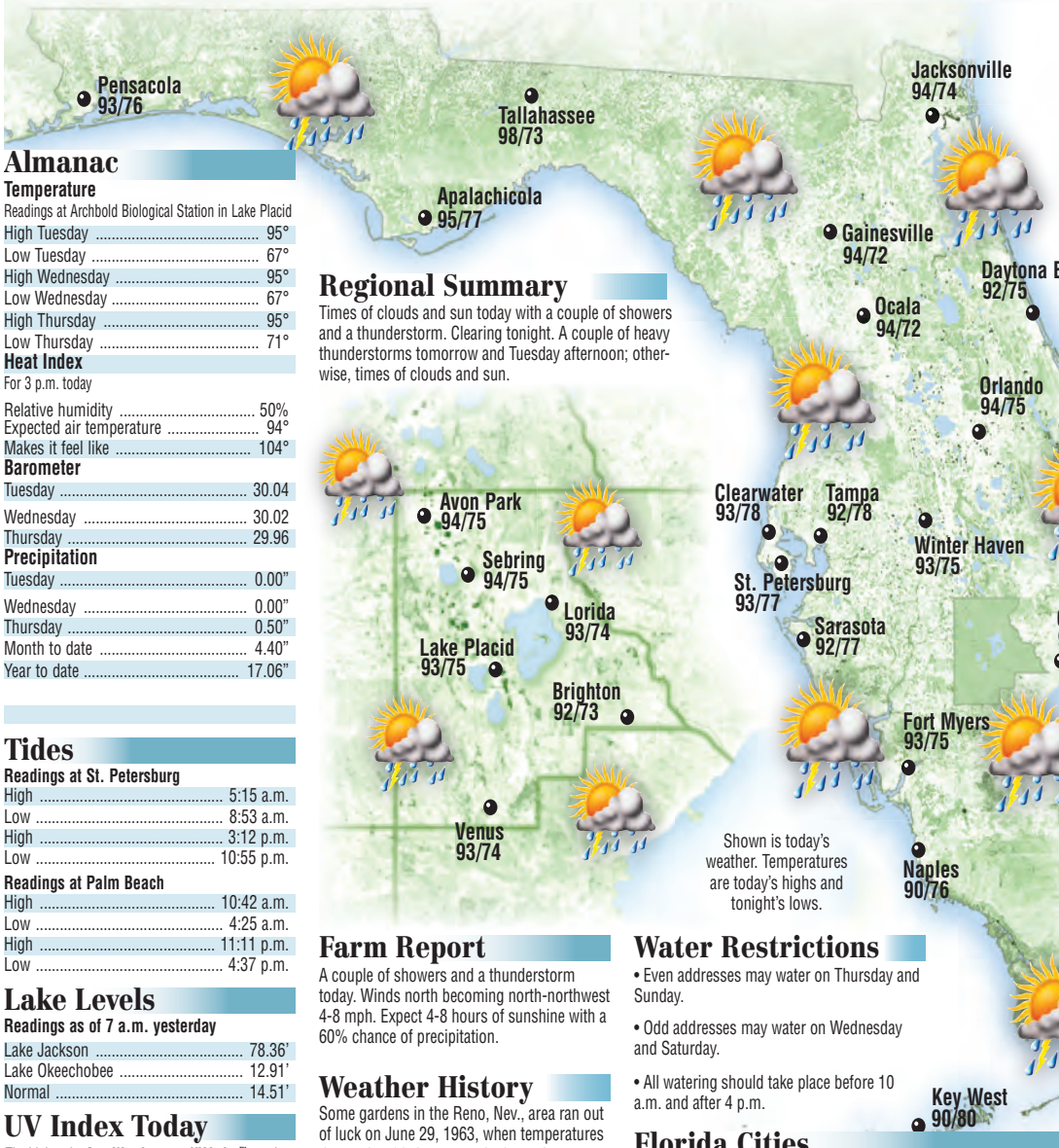
National Forecast for June 29



Shown are noon postions of weather systems and precipitation. Temperature bands are highs for the day.

National Summary

Another round of strong to locally severe storms will target the upper Mississippi Valley today. Gusty winds and flooding downpours are possible as these storms rumble through. A warm and moist flow will be in place across the Great Lakes to the Southeast and will aid in showers and thunderstorms. Most of these will remain below severe criteria but could produce quick and drenching downpours. New England will continue to remain dry and nice as high pressure holds on off the coast.



Shown is today's weather. Temperatures are today's highs and tonight's lows.

Regional Summary

Times of clouds and sun today with a couple of showers and a thunderstorm. Clearing tonight. A couple of heavy thunderstorms tomorrow and Tuesday afternoon; otherwise, times of clouds and sun.

Almanac

Temperature

Readings at Archbold Biological Station in Lake Placid

High Tuesday	95°
Low Tuesday	67°
High Wednesday	95°
Low Wednesday	67°
High Thursday	95°
Low Thursday	71°

Heat Index

For 3 p.m. today

Relative humidity	50%
Expected air temperature	94°
Makes it feel like	104°

Barometer

Tuesday	30.04
Wednesday	30.02
Thursday	29.96

Precipitation

Tuesday	0.00"
Wednesday	0.00"
Thursday	0.50"
Month to date	4.40"
Year to date	17.06"

Tides

Readings at St. Petersburg

High	5:15 a.m.
Low	8:53 a.m.
High	3:12 p.m.
Low	10:55 p.m.

Readings at Palm Beach

High	10:42 a.m.
Low	4:25 a.m.
High	11:11 p.m.
Low	4:37 p.m.

Lake Levels

Readings as of 7 a.m. yesterday

Lake Jackson	78.36'
Lake Okeechobee	12.91'
Normal	14.51'

UV Index Today

The higher the **AccuWeather.com UV Index™** number, the greater the need for eye and skin protection.

10 a.m.	Noon	2 p.m.	4 p.m.
6	10	10	5

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

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Farm Report

A couple of showers and a thunderstorm today. Winds north becoming north-northwest 4-8 mph. Expect 4-8 hours of sunshine with a 60% chance of precipitation.

Weather History

Some gardens in the Reno, Nev., area ran out of luck on June 29, 1963, when temperatures dropped to 32 degrees -- the latest freeze on record there.

Sun and Moon

	Today	Monday
Sunrise	6:37 a.m.	6:37 a.m.
Sunset	8:22 p.m.	8:22 p.m.
Moonrise	8:39 a.m.	9:29 a.m.
Moonset	9:59 p.m.	10:36 p.m.

First	Full	Last	New
July 5	July 12	July 18	July 26

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 Hi/Lo/W	Mon. Hi/Lo/W	Tue. Hi/Lo/W	City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Mon. Hi/Lo/W	Tue. Hi/Lo/W
Cape Coral	92/75/t	92/75/t	91/75/t	Miami	91/76/t	89/76/t	90/77/t
Clearwater	93/78/t	93/77/t	91/79/pc	Okeechobee	90/72/t	88/71/t	90/72/t
Coral Springs	91/74/t	90/75/t	89/76/t	Orlando	94/75/t	92/75/t	94/76/t
Daytona Beach	92/75/t	89/74/t	91/75/sh	Pembroke Pines	91/74/t	90/75/t	90/76/t
Ft. Laud. Bch	91/77/t	90/77/t	89/78/t	St. Augustine	92/75/t	90/74/t	91/74/pc
Fort Myers	93/75/t	92/75/t	91/76/t	St. Petersburg	93/77/t	93/77/t	92/79/t
Gainesville	94/72/t	93/72/t	92/72/t	Sarasota	92/77/t	91/77/t	90/78/t
Hollywood	91/74/t	90/75/t	90/76/t	Tallahassee	98/73/t	97/74/t	97/76/pc
Homestead AFB	90/74/t	88/75/pc	88/76/t	Tampa	92/78/t	92/78/t	91/79/t
Jacksonville	94/74/t	91/72/t	91/72/pc	W. Palm Bch	91/74/t	90/73/t	89/77/t
Key West	90/80/pc	89/82/pc	91/81/pc	Winter Haven	93/75/t	92/75/t	93/75/t

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

U.S. Cities

City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Mon. Hi/Lo/W	Tue. Hi/Lo/W	City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Mon. Hi/Lo/W	Tue. Hi/Lo/W
Albuquerque	97/68/s	98/69/t	92/66/s	Los Angeles	80/64/pc	80/64/pc	81/64/pc
Atlanta	91/68/t	92/73/t	94/74/t	Louisville	87/72/t	91/76/pc	92/72/t
Baltimore	85/64/pc	87/69/pc	93/74/t	Memphis	89/75/t	94/76/pc	95/74/pc
Birmingham	91/72/t	92/72/t	95/74/s	Milwaukee	81/68/t	84/67/t	79/59/pc
Boston	83/65/s	85/67/pc	85/70/pc	Minneapolis	86/69/t	83/62/t	66/54/pc
Charlotte	85/67/t	88/69/t	92/70/t	Nashville	89/71/t	91/73/pc	95/73/t
Cheyenne	87/53/s	79/46/s	71/51/s	New Orleans	91/78/t	92/76/pc	92/75/s
Chicago	85/72/t	88/71/t	83/61/pc	New York City	84/64/pc	83/71/pc	86/74/t
Cleveland	86/70/t	86/74/t	88/69/t	Norfolk	79/68/pc	85/73/pc	89/76/pc
Columbus	88/72/t	90/75/t	91/70/t	Oklahoma City	93/75/pc	95/73/s	90/68/t
Dallas	93/76/pc	95/76/pc	93/76/s	Philadelphia	86/65/pc	86/70/pc	90/75/t
Denver	94/59/s	89/50/s	77/56/t	Phoenix	107/84/s	109/84/s	111/84/s
Detroit	86/68/t	87/75/pc	86/67/pc	Pittsburgh	83/68/t	87/70/t	91/70/t
Harrisburg	85/64/pc	86/68/pc	92/73/t	Portland, ME	81/60/s	83/63/pc	83/67/pc
Honolulu	90/74/s	88/74/s	90/74/pc	Portland, OR	72/55/pc	83/58/s	92/63/s
Houston	93/77/pc	93/76/pc	92/76/s	Raleigh	88/66/t	91/70/pc	93/73/t
Indianapolis	83/70/t	89/73/pc	87/66/pc	Rochester	87/71/t	87/72/t	92/72/t
Jackson, MS	92/72/t	93/72/pc	95/72/s	St. Louis	90/76/t	95/75/pc	89/66/pc
Kansas City	91/74/pc	90/69/t	83/63/pc	San Francisco	72/55/pc	76/56/s	72/54/s
Lexington	87/70/t	89/73/t	91/70/t	Seattle	68/53/pc	76/57/s	84/59/s
Little Rock	91/74/pc	94/74/pc	95/73/t	Wash., DC	85/69/pc	88/73/pc	93/77/t

World Cities

City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Mon. Hi/Lo/W	Tue. Hi/Lo/W	City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Mon. Hi/Lo/W	Tue. Hi/Lo/W
Acapulco	90/78/t	88/76/t	88/76/t	London	69/50/t	71/52/pc	70/52/pc
Athens	88/68/s	92/70/s	92/71/s	Montreal	86/68/pc	86/68/t	86/70/t
Beirut	89/75/s	86/73/s	86/73/s	Moscow	65/50/pc	76/56/c	82/59/s
Berlin	68/54/c	69/51/sh	69/50/pc	Nice	77/65/t	78/66/s	77/65/s
Bermuda	80/72/sh	79/69/r	80/73/pc	Ottawa	87/67/pc	85/68/t	86/66/t
Calgary	61/49/sh	68/48/t	73/51/pc	Quebec	84/62/pc	83/66/t	87/70/t
Dublin	63/46/pc	64/49/pc	67/50/pc	Rio de Janeiro	85/69/pc	80/68/pc	79/68/c
Edmonton	67/50/t	74/52/s	80/53/s	Seoul	85/69/pc	84/67/pc	86/72/pc
Freeport	87/78/pc	87/79/t	86/80/t	Singapore	89/78/t	87/78/t	87/77/t
Geneva	66/51/r	70/47/s	75/57/t	Sydney	60/41/pc	61/46/s	64/48/s
Havana	90/71/t	91/71/pc	89/71/t	Toronto	82/66/t	86/69/t	84/64/t
Hong Kong	91/83/pc	91/83/r	91/84/t	Vancouver	66/52/c	71/55/pc	77/58/s
Jerusalem	90/67/s	85/64/s	84/66/s	Vienna	85/59/t	68/55/t	75/57/s
Johannesburg	63/43/s	65/42/s	62/41/s	Warsaw	81/59/t	65/55/r	70/50/sh
Kiev	77/59/pc	80/60/s	84/58/pc	Winnipeg	70/60/t	67/50/sh	58/46/pc