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## Open hearts, open home



### Franklins heard call, became foster parents



Katara Simmons/News-Sun

Foster parents Gary and Mary Franklin have an open door policy when it comes to foster children and their families. The Franklins currently have four foster children in their care, but usually care for five kids at a time.

BY CHRISTOPHER TUFFLEY  
News-Sun Correspondent

SEBRING — May is Foster Care Month. The News-Sun honors all the families who open up their homes to children in need of shelter, protection and love. It takes courage and generosity to care for unsettled youngsters going through a time of crisis.

Gary and Mary Franklin are one such unusual couple, and the News-Sun is honoring them as the Unsung Heroes for May.

The Franklins moved to Spring Lake from Baltimore,



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Stuffed animals and toys are stacked in the living room at the Franklin's home in Sebring.

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## GRADUATION SCHEDULE

**Avon Park**  
7 p.m. Friday at SFSC

**Sebring**  
9 a.m. Saturday at county fairgrounds convention center

**Lake Placid**  
1 p.m. Saturday at SFSC



## Hurricane seminar set for Saturday

BY BARRY FOSTER  
News-Sun Correspondent

SEBRING — It has been 10 years since hurricanes Charley, Frances and Jeanne pounded Highlands County in succession.

It began with Hurricane Charley. The Category 4 storm made landfall just west of Fort Myers on Aug. 13, 2004. It moved northeasterly through Hardee County, brushing Highlands with hurricane-force winds. At the time it was the second costliest hurricane in history.

On Sept. 5, Frances made landfall on the east coast of Florida with 105 mph winds, moving very slowly northwesterly again pummeling Highlands County with high winds and torrential rain.

Finally, Jeanne — a Category 3 storm — made landfall at Stu-



## Hurricane season prep

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art on Sept. 26 with 120 mph winds. The eye of that storm crossed through Highlands County as it moved across the Sunshine State.

The storms left in their wake billions of dollars in property damage and stories of how residents coped with weeks of power outages, limited phone service, schedule interruptions and the constant drone of generators in various

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## Election precinct changes considered

BY BARRY FOSTER  
News-Sun Correspondent

SEBRING — The 2014 election season has been underway for months now, with some candidates already in full campaign mode.

Today, Highlands County Supervisor of Elections Penny Ogg will

be inviting members of the media in to tour her operation and learn some of the issues that will be of importance to voters both in the upcoming primary and general elections.

"We will be giving out important election dates

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Katara Simmons/News-Sun file photo

The Restoration Center at Sparta Road and State Road 66 in Sebring has been a popular spot for candidates to get in one last push as voters drive to the polling place, but plans are in the works to discontinue using the vacant church, which is in foreclosure.

## AP audit is good news

BY CHRISTOPHER TUFFLEY  
News-Sun Correspondent

AVON PARK — Representatives from CliftonLarsonAllen LLP presented the city council with Avon Park's annual independent auditor's report for the fiscal year 2012-2013 Wednesday night.

The news is good for the city. At

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# Got Shoes?

## 'God's children' give theirs up to help student's mission

BY PHIL ATTINGER  
Staff Writer

SEBRING — Diners and shoppers on Sunday may have noticed people in Sebring dressed for church, but without shoes.

One woman asked a group she saw at Walmart about it, and when they told her the story, she bought a bunch of shoes to give away.

The shoes will travel this summer to the feet of orphaned and underprivileged children in the Dominican Republic with Sarah-Beth Rogers, 17, who graduates from the Sebring High School International Baccalaureate program this year. Rogers, who has taken two mission trips with Homeless and Orphans Outreach Inc. in Lake Placid, plans to take another trip on June 30.

She said 100 of the shoes will go with her. The rest will be shipped in September to the mission's orphanages and schools with 60 children in San Cristobal and a community feeding center in San Pedro de Macoris that feeds 150 children each day.

It may take a big box. She collected 500-600 pairs in three services at Grace Bible Church in Sebring, directly off the church-goers' feet.

"The response from

## Rogers big winner of Alan Jay scholarship

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the congregation was amazing," Rogers said. "The majority of them left the shoes they were wearing."

Rogers had approached Dustin Woods, lead pastor, about putting a collection box at the church, but he invited her to talk to the congregation at the Saturday night and Sunday morning services.

"I felt this was something that God wanted to challenge Grace Bible (Church) to do," Woods said.

He had met Rogers once before, while judging candidates for the 2014 Sebring Chamber of Commerce Outstanding Student of the Year — which she won. He was impressed with her passion then, he said.

Rogers said she even had 50 pairs of shoes waiting at the door of the church on Sunday morning, after they had already collected shoes from the Saturday service. Two hours after the services, people were still bringing shoes to the church, she said — enough to fill the bed of a full-size



Provided to News-Sun

Members of Grace Bible Church in Sebring count the many dozens of shoes donated during the Memorial Day weekend church services to a local outreach to take shoes to orphans in the Dominican Republic. SarahBeth Rogers, 17, who organized the effort, said the three services collected 500-600 shoes.



Provided to News-Sun

SarahBeth Rogers, 17, of Lake Placid pauses while packing up a few dozen of the hundreds of shoes collected over Memorial Day weekend for orphans in the Dominican Republic. When she asked to put a collection box at Grace Bible Church in Sebring, Lead Pastor Dustin Woods instead had her make a plea directly to parishioners.

pickup truck bed.

Woods said photographs from Rogers' Facebook posts started trending and at least one person from California bought shoes to send to the mission.

This Sunday, she hopes to talk to her home church — United Methodist Church in Lake Placid — about funding the cargo container to help her send the shoes to the children.

When asked if Sunday shoes would be practical for orphans in the Dominican Republic, Rogers said she has never had problems finding children who can wear the shoes she receives and expects these shoes will find new feet, too.

"There will always be children who can wear them," Rogers said. "They wear broken shoes that they mend themselves."

She said shoes are often a forgotten need, ranked behind food and clothing, but it's a

need nonetheless. "I knew God had a mission for these shoes and he would fulfill it," Rogers said.

This third trip is also a bit of a triumph for Rogers, who before age 16 couldn't travel anywhere. She said she has hereditary spherocytosis, a genetic red blood cell disorder characterized by anemia, jaundice and enlargement of the spleen.

Rogers said her spleen quit working, so she had to have it removed.

he now takes penicillin each day, but that has made her immune system strong enough to travel, especially on mission trips.

"I want to do everything. I want to go more places," Rogers said.

# Jacob's ride continues

BY CHRISTOPHER TUFFLEY  
News-Sun Correspondent

SEBRING — Jacob Landis, 24, rode down U.S. 27 through Highlands County Wednesday on his way to Miami and Marlin Park. He was finishing a remarkable bicycle odyssey he began in 2013.

Landis began to lose his hearing at the age of age of 2. To this day, doctors have no idea what went wrong.

By kindergarten, he was fitted for a hearing aid, his father Randy Landis said. By fourth grade, the aids no longer helped his hearing. Things came to a head one evening, Randy Landis added "when Jacob burst into tears when he saw his sister and brother running to answer the phone and realized he could no longer hear it ring."

In 1999, when he was 10 years old, Landis' parents managed to provide him with a cochlear implant — which typically cost between \$70,000 and \$100,000. It took sacrifice from his parents, Landis said, something he keeps in mind.

Fourteen years later,

Landis decided to take a long bike ride to raise money so other individuals with hearing loss, but without the financial means to get cochlear implants. His goal is to raise enough money to pay for 100 cochlear implants.

So, in 2013 he mounted his bike and set off on an odyssey to raise money. A lover of baseball, Landis organized his bike ride by visiting the country's 30 major league ball parks. For six months, he rode from state to state with his cousin alongside in a chase van.

He had successfully visited 29 ball parks, and was on his last lap to Miami and Marlin Park, when he was clipped by a semi — whose driver never stopped — on U.S. 27 near Frostproof after bicycling more than 10,000 miles. Landis sustained a concussion, broken nose and cheek as well as severe road rash. While the injuries were not life threatening, he was unable to finish his ride.

Which is why he was out on U.S. 27 Wednesday afternoon one year later — with a sheriff's office escort and his fa-



Christopher Tuffley/News-Sun

Jacob Landis takes a break while riding through Highlands County on Wednesday.

ther driving alongside — determined to accomplish his mission.

While he sat in the shade by Lake Josephine Drive drinking Gatorade catching his breath — having ridden over from Tampa that morning headed for Clewiston that night — his dad took pleasure in bragging on him.

"He's changed lives," Randy Landis said. "He's shown that even if you are hearing impaired you don't have to feel limited. You should go for your dreams."

For more about Jacob Landis, cochlear implants or to make a donation go to [www.JacobsRide.com](http://www.JacobsRide.com).

### LOTTERY

#### LOTTO

Wednesday, May 28  
13-14-18-26-37-45 X-2  
Next Jackpot: \$4 million

#### POWERBALL

Wednesday, May 28  
2-24-28-32-59 PB-25 X-3  
Next Jackpot: \$173 million

#### MEGA MONEY

Tuesday, May 27  
1-26-38-44 PB-2  
Next Jackpot: \$1.1 million

#### MEGA MILLIONS

Tuesday, May 27  
1-6-10-46-58 PB-13 X-2  
Next Jackpot: \$26 million

#### CASH 3

Monday, May 26  
Day: 4-3-3 Night: 0-6-0  
Tuesday, May 27  
Day: 9-5-0 Night: 4-5-2  
Wednesday, May 28  
Day: 2-9-6 Night: 5-3-1

#### PLAY 4

Monday, May 26  
Day: 9-6-7-6 Night: 9-4-3-9  
Tuesday, May 27  
Day: 6-3-4-4 Night: 8-5-9-8  
Wednesday, May 28  
Day: 3-5-4-7 Night: 7-4-3-0

#### FANTASY 5

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Tuesday, May 27  
4-9-16-18-33  
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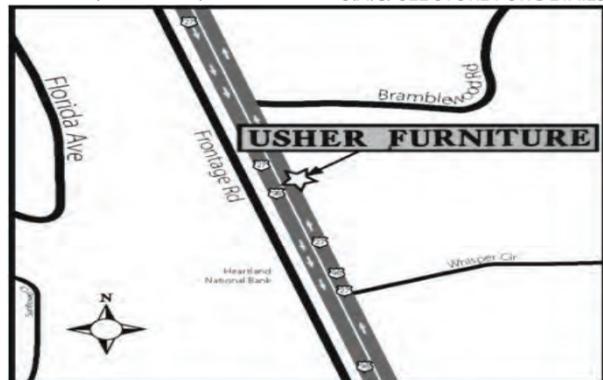
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# Alan Jay Network hands out scholarships

BY BARRY FOSTER  
News-Sun Correspondent

SEBRING — Many Highlands County high school seniors that have scored A's over the past year will be watching during graduation ceremonies this weekend as the Alan Jay Automotive Network again will be giving out cars in its annual Wheels for A's program.

At the close of ceremonies Saturday, the local auto dealership will have given out just short of 60 vehicles to students who have scored top marks. In addition to Avon Park, Lake Placid and Sebring, cars also have been given to seniors in Wauchulla and in Clewiston, where Alan Jay maintains dealerships.

On Thursday, The Alan Jay Automotive Network again teamed up with the Greater Sebring Chamber of Commerce to give out \$6,000 in scholarships to a trio of Sebring High School students.

Walking away with top honors and a

\$3,000 scholarship was SaraBeth Rogers. With a weighted grade point average of 5.37, she has done a number of local projects, including missions work for people in the Dominican Republic and work for the Mason G. Smoak Foundation.

Rogers is a member of the Christian Blue Streaks and an International Baccalaureate diploma candidate, among other accomplishments. She plans to attend Wake Forest University.

Receiving a \$2,000 scholarship was Jared Lang. He was top scholar in his class with a weighted grade point average of 5.9. Lang has been accepted at the United States Naval Academy, the University of Florida and Harvard University. He plans to attend Harvard.

Senior Angie Patino picked up \$1,000 in scholarship money. Born in Bogota, Colombia, she emigrated to the United States as a child. Her plans are to attend the University of Florida with an



Barry Foster/News-Sun

Angie Patino, Jared Lang and SaraBeth Rogers hold their checks after receiving scholarships at the Alan Jay Automotive Network/Greater Sebring Chamber of Commerce awards banquet held Thursday at the Island View Restaurant at Sun 'N Lake. In all, \$6,000 in scholarship money was awarded.

eye toward being a veterinarian. A member of the FFA, Patino said one of her goals would be to fight world hunger through agriculture.

The three were selected from a short list of eight finalists. All of the students received "swag bags" containing an array of food

and retail discount cards, movie tickets and a voucher good for \$250 in gasoline purchases.

Over the course of the past 21 years, the scholarship fund has given out more than \$250,000 to students. Alan Wildstein, who formulated the program with former

Greater Sebring Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Mike Lee over two decades ago, said he wanted to raise enough money to make an endowment fund.

Attendees at Thursday's luncheon pledged more than \$4,800, which was matched by the Alan

Jay Automotive Network.

The Alan Jay Wheels for A's program has given out 54 cars since its inception with a vehicle price tag in excess of \$600,000. The first of this year's cars will be given out this evening at the Avon Park Senior High School graduation ceremonies.

## Paul J. Gustat Band Fund hoping donations come marching in

BY KIRSTEN  
SCARBOROUGH  
News-Sun Intern

SEBRING — The Paul J. Gustat Band Fund will begin aiding students for the 2014-2015 academic school year in the Sebring school system.

This scholarship fund is available on a need basis, to provide musically-inclined students with support for the pay-to-play costs in Highlands County schools.

The PJGBF was founded due to the loss of Paul J. Gustat, Sebring High School's former band director of thirty-six years, who passed in late 2013. It was Paul's father, Peter J. "Prof" Gustat, who founded the Sebring band program in 1927, and Paul Gustat followed in his footsteps.

It is this family legacy that the PJGBF wishes to memorialize.

This fund will become part of the SHS band's ongoing fund-

raising activities, but it is not necessary to wait for a SHS band fundraising event to make a donation to the fund.

As for fundraising progress, so far a total of \$2,250 has been donated.

The fund has been provided with a commitment of \$10,000 over an eight-year time period from an extended member of the Gustat family, Stephen and Tammy James of Atlanta.

An additional donation has been made by Paul's Widow, Merrillou K. "Skee" Gustat, offering \$1,000 to begin the community-wide fundraising campaign. The Jameses offered a matching amount of \$1,000 once Mrs. Gustat's pledge was made.

The PJGBF has outlined a set of operating guidelines and pay-to-play costs as well.

The operating guidelines for donations to this fund are to spend up to one-half of the annual donations on

Sebring community students, saving the other half to build an endowment base.

It is hoped that at some future time, the base of these funds can provide ample dividends which will further aid in the amount of available scholarships.

Currently, the pay-to-play cost per student is between \$200-\$260 per year, the higher cost being when a student leases an instrument through the band program, rather than through a private sector music store.

Once the fund's capital base has increased, there is a plan in place to expand to the Avon Park and Lake Placid school programs as well.

Any donations made to The Paul J. Gustat Band Fund are tax-deductible and should be directed to the fund's fiduciary, Mr. Robert Perry, 426 School St., Sebring, 33870.

## Toddler dies after shooting in WP Beach

Associated Press

WEST PALM BEACH — An 18-month-old West Palm Beach boy has died after being shot.

The Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office

said Izarion Colin died at St. Mary's Medical Center on Thursday.

The boy was shot during an altercation Wednesday.

The sheriff's office said the boy and another child were in a

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## ANOTHER VIEW

Turning the tide  
on insurance rates

When it comes to Florida's property insurance rates, what a difference a little pressure from the state's chief financial officer can make.

In 2013, most of Florida's property insurers, as usual, filed for rate increases — despite eight straight years without a hurricane and sharp reductions in insurers' costs.

And why not? The state Office of Insurance Regulation had approved more than 100 rate increase requests each year since 2009 — many of them in double digits.

As a result, Florida's average property insurance premium — \$1,933, based on 2011 figures — became the highest in the nation, and double the national average, according to the National Association of Insurance Commissioners.

Then, late last year, Florida CFO Jeff Atwater, who oversees insurance regulation, directed Insurance Commissioner Kevin McCarty to compile a report detailing how much property insurers had saved in 2013 and why consumers had not benefited.

After all, besides avoiding hurricane-damage payments since 2005, Florida insurers had saved hundreds of millions when the cost of reinsurance — the policies they buy to back up their claims — fell by 20 percent or more.

The 10 largest Florida-based property insurance companies had made "\$283 million in net underwriting profits through the third quarter of 2013," the Sarasota Herald-Tribune reported.

And most of the property insurers were looking for more.

But, after Atwater asked for the report, things began to change.

McCarty reported in January that "a half-dozen of the state's 30 major property insurers have a recently approved or pending request for a rate cut between 2.4 percent and 9.2 percent," the Tampa Bay Times reported.

Some companies that initially sought increases even have backtracked.

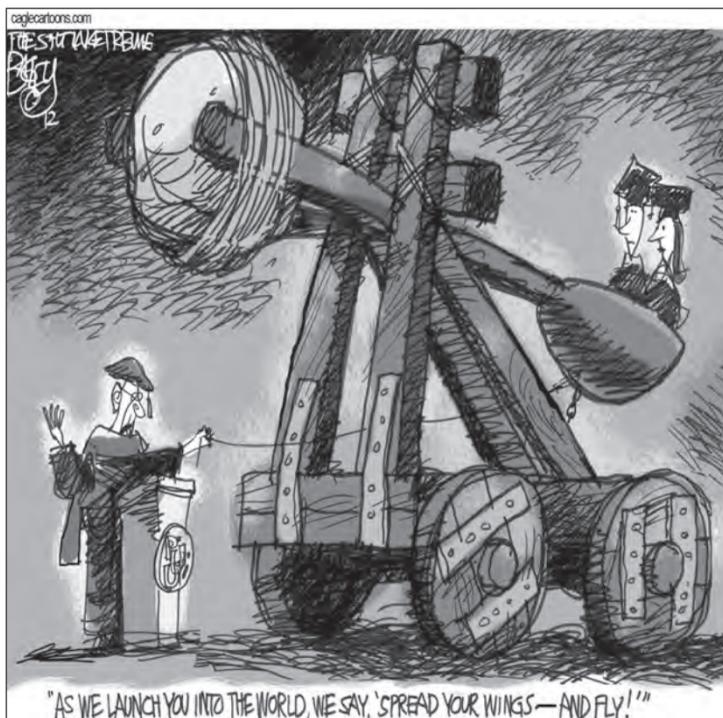
The single-digit reductions so far are dwarfed by the increases Florida insurers reaped for several years. Last year alone, homeowner insurance rates across the state rose 11 percent, according to insurance consultants Perr & Knight. Still, the rate cuts that McCarty reported are a start and, thankfully, just a start, Atwater indicated in a recent statement.

There's no doubt that Florida homes and businesses face special risks, including the threat of hurricanes and tornadoes, rising sea levels and even the increased frequency of sinkholes.

But when nature spares Florida from the onslaught of hurricanes for an eight-year period — and insurers benefit from reduced costs as a result — property insurance rates should reflect that good fortune.

Thanks to Atwater's pressure, the tide has begun to turn in favor of homeowners.

An editorial from The Gainesville Sun.

Some advice for this  
year's graduates

A commencement speaker at Point Park University here in Pittsburgh urged graduates to brush their teeth. Whether she was grasping at a clever metaphor for handling life after college or she actually felt that a diploma along with good dental hygiene were keys to happiness, I couldn't tell. Commencement speeches come in many flavors.

I'll be attending three college graduation ceremonies this month and I imagine that besides tooth brushing I'll also hear about rising to one's full potential, reaching for the stars, and not being discouraged by failure.

Solid advice, indeed. But to the Class of 2014 I also offer this:

- Read a newspaper. Also, watch C-SPAN periodically, become a fan of "60 Minutes," and try listening to NPR. The more college students I speak with, the more alarmed I become about the general disregard for current events. I don't mean what's trending on the Internet or what's hot in Hollywood, I mean real news. If you truly hope to get ahead, keep up with the information you ought to know — not just the material you want to know.
- Limit mobile devices. At Point Park, administrators were compelled to warn students not to use cellphones while crossing the stage to receive their diplomas. They should have extended the ban to the seating areas, where thumbs tapped furiously throughout the speeches. Instant communication has revolutionized our lives and your generation, but don't let it become an obsession.
- Go slowly. Sure, you want a good career, a lot of money and a family of your own. But if those things don't present themselves immediately, then get a paid internship, work for a non-profit, or be a volunteer if you can afford to. Do the things that many of us wish we had done after college, and then found too difficult to arrange once our lives became more complicated.
- Call home. After college I went for almost a decade in a self-absorbed world of my own. I felt I didn't need help with life, and I took that to mean I could drift away from



GUEST COLUMN

Peter Funt

my family. Big mistake. The time is precious and if you squander it now, chances are you'll regret it later. Being independent doesn't mean cutting family ties.

■ Vote. Now there's an unusual piece of advice for college grads,

but it's troubling to learn how many people in their twenties aren't registered and don't vote. Sometimes it's because they are transplanted to new communities; or, it's just a conviction that a single vote won't mean anything. Voting is not only your civic responsibility, it actually makes you feel good when you do it.

■ Smile once each day. We live in an age when the letters LOL are typed routinely by people sitting at keyboards without even cracking a smile. Laughing out loud — or at least smiling — isn't just a mental exercise, it's a facial exercise; in fact, it's a full-body workout. And try doing it once in a while when you're alone. Andy Rooney was right when he said, "If you smile when no one's around, it proves you really mean it."

■ Go somewhere. As soon as you can manage it, get out of the country and see what the rest of the world is about. Broadening the horizons of your mind is enhanced by expanding the horizons of your travels.

■ Get over yourself. At graduation they pump you up because you've earned it. Now, get real. The diploma counts for a lot, but it doesn't mean you know it all — or even a small part of it. View the next phase of life as an even greater learning experience than the one you just went through. In fact, if you really want to help your own cause, sign up now for that literature class you were afraid to take last year because it might have hurt your GPA.

Plus, I suppose, you should brush after meals and floss regularly. If nothing else it will cut the dental bills, once your parents are no longer paying them. Good luck!

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## YOUR VIEWS

## Stop further erosion now

First it was the Fast and Furious gun smuggling incident, then the IRS investigating the returns of Tea Party people, the Benghazi disaster and now the VA scandal, all of which that community organizer in the White House claims no knowledge of and his Attorney General refuses to prosecute anyone involved.

Obama apparently only hears of these problems after the fact, usually while he is out making yet another campaign speech at a donor's dinner somewhere...

The head of the VA, General Eric Shinseki, has commented that 26 VA facilities are under investigation for various problems and others for falsifying records. This is all due to the fact of the overwhelming number of veterans and underwhelming number of people to handle the cases.

Senator John McCain and Representative Nancy Pelosi have both said the VA should allow veterans to go to private hospitals and local medical facilities to lessen the workload on the VA hospitals. I agree, the only difference in VA and private medical care is the VA people are government employees, which in turn allows the federal government absolute control, which of course is the whole purpose of this administration...

The most "transparent administration," as promised back in 2008, has become the most deceptive and closed administration in recent memory. Read Bob Gates recent book, "Duty ... Memories of a Defense Secretary," and get a look at how the Oval office views the world.

The 2014 elections are an absolute reason to change the makeup in the U.S. Senate if we are to stop the further erosion of our Constitution and further sliding into Socialism.

How is your day going so far?

HAL GRAVES

Sebring

## Many gather for flag wave

Friday, May 23 the Highland Tea Party held a Memorial Day weekend flag wave on U.S 27 in front of Boom Booms Guns and Ammo, in remembrance of our fallen men and women who gave their all for the freedoms that we so enjoy today in America.

We had 15 hardy souls, including veterans, who participated.

I want to extend a heartfelt appreciation to Brian Rohrabough, sales consultant for Alan Jay Nissan. Brian walked over to our group across 27 with his arms filled with bottles of cold water. His first words to me were "Thank you for your service", then he said "Thanks for our patriotism". I want to say thanks from The Highlands Tea Party to Brian, and the member of Alan Jay Nissan for their hospitality. The water was welcome in the 90-degree heat.

I also want to extend a big thanks to Boom Booms Guns and Ammo for sponsoring the event.

A veteran showed up to wave a flag, who had open heart surgery a week ago. What a veteran! Thanks Terry for your service/patriotism.

We were honored by young man currently serving. He drove by and said to himself, "I have to be involved". He came and took a flag in hand.

I want to thanks to all of the drivers who honked, gave us waves and high signs. I am disappointed in the number of people who showed total indifference to the flag of our country, by turning away or giving us offensive gestures. Very sad!

JOHN NELSON

Chairman, The Highlands Tea Party



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Hurricane Francis made a slow-motion trek across the state in September of 2004, leaving behind plenty of damage.

## SEMINAR

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neighborhoods.

This year's hurricane season begins Sunday. To help get people prepared, Highlands County Emergency Management officials will present a hurricane seminar at the Bert J. Harris Jr. Agricultural Civic Center this Saturday beginning at 10 a.m.

Among other things, the meaning and different levels of warnings will be explained, information will be distributed on where emergency shelters are locat-

ed and where water and ice might be available as well as instructions on building and maintaining hurricane supply kits and where to find emergency information.

"We will have pamphlets and some handouts," said Highlands County Public Information Officer Gloria Rybinski. "We usually have a few speakers to present information. It usually lasts about an hour and half."

Florida emergency officials are especially urging elderly citizens to take precautions to ensure they are prepared. They say people with mobility issues or health problems should register with local

emergency officials for extra help in a major storm.

The Florida Department of Elder Affairs is urging people to prepare evacuation kits with a supply of their regular prescription medications, water, flashlights, non-perishable foods and other items they might need if they get stuck on the road while evacuating.

Officials also say it is important for people to know where they will go if a storm approaches and to leave well ahead of the storm.

On Sunday, the state will begin a nine-day tax-free holiday on hurricane readiness supplies to help in the

effort. It will cover hurricane supplies such as flashlights, batteries, weather radios and other basic items.

It was the hurricane seasons of 2004 and 2005 that prompted state officials to start offering the tax-free holidays. The sales tax holiday is expected to save Florida families \$3.7 million as they prepare for the upcoming hurricane season.

The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration predicts between eight and 13 named storms this season, which lasts until Nov. 30. Three to six could become hurricanes with one or two major storms.

# Documents show another delayed GM recall

TOM KRISHER  
AP Auto Writer

## Documents: GM recalled Pontiac midsize cars but left 2 nearly identical models on the road in 2009

DETROIT — General Motors recalled a small number of Pontiac G6 midsize cars to fix a faulty brake light system in 2009, yet waited more than five years to call back over 2 million other cars with the same system, according to company documents filed with federal safety regulators.

The documents, filed Thursday, show that GM recalled about 8,000 Pontiacs from the 2005 and 2006 model years because the brake lights might not work when the driver stepped on the

brake pedal. But the company didn't recall later-model G6s or the Chevrolet Malibu and Saturn Aura until three weeks ago. The cars are nearly identical.

GM says the problem has caused 13 accidents and 2 injuries. GM thought the addition of a lubricant would fix the problem in newer cars, but it proved insufficient. Dealers were made aware of the problem, but car owners weren't

told directly. As a result, a potential safety problem went uncorrected for years.

The company waited to recall the other cars until this year because the problem didn't happen as frequently as it did in the 2005 and 2006 G6 models, spokesman Alan Adler said. "We were monitoring these vehicles and looking to see what was happening with them all along," he said. "We

made a decision that we thought was appropriate."

In addition, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration didn't pressure GM to recall the newer cars. It even closed an investigation into the matter in 2009 after GM announced the initial G6 recall.

The company says it has changed its criteria for recalling cars. It now issues recalls based on the severi-

ty of a safety problem rather than the number of warranty claims or complaints, Adler said.

It's another example of how GM previously resisted recalling cars and trucks to fix safety problems.

The company is facing investigations from Congress and the Justice Department over why it waited at least a decade to recall about 2.6 million older small cars to fix an ignition switch problem. The company says that problem is linked to crashes that killed 13 people, but trial lawyers say the death toll is at least 60.

## Man pleads guilty to voter intimidation

TAMPA (AP) — A Seattle man has pleaded guilty to charges related to sending letters to GOP donors questioning their citizenship status and ability to vote in the 2012 election.

James Webb Baker Jr. pleaded guilty in Tampa federal court Thursday to a count of voter intimidation and a count of identification fraud.

Prosecutors say Bak-

er became angry after reading about efforts in Florida to purge voter registration rolls of non-U.S. citizens. Baker believed the purges were an effort to suppress voter turnout of naturalized citizens who were likely minorities and more likely to vote Democratic.

Authorities say Baker created letters that looked like they had come from county election officials.

## OBITUARIES

### CAROL PALSGROVE

Carol S. Palsgrove of Avon Park was born July 2, 1936 at Rockville Center, Long Island, New York. She and her husband, John E Palsgrove, DDS moved to Avon Park in 1962. She worked for many years as office manager for her husband's dental practice. April 12, 2014, she died in the emergency room of Erlanger Hospital, Chattanooga, Tennessee.

She is survived by her husband, John; son and

daughter-in-law, Michael and Patty Palsgrove of Avon Park; her daughter, Diane Loweke of Tampa; her sister and brother-in-law, Judy and Jim Leeper of Cottonwood, Arizona; three grandchildren and one great-grandson.

A memorial service will be Saturday, June 7, at 4 p.m. in the Avon Park Seventh-day Adventist Church.

No flowers please. Memorial gifts may be made to Wildwood Lifestyle Center, 435 Lifestyle Lane, Wildwood, GA 30757-4174.



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## ELECTION

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for the upcoming cycle as well as other exciting things that are happening in our office," Ogg said.

Among other things will be the possible splitting of the county's largest polling place — Precinct 15. That decision apparently was driven by the fact the Restoration Center located at the intersection of State Road 66 and Sparta Road is in foreclosure.

There had been indications as far back as 2012 that the facility might not be able to be used, but Ogg said they had held off the decision, hoping the property might have been sold.

However, with election dates looming on the horizon, Ogg said she felt that new provisions now needed to be made.

Preliminary plans reportedly call for the precinct to be split. Some of the voters would be sent to Lake Josephine Baptist Church with the rest to cast their ballots at the Bible Fellowship Church.

Also, Precinct 21, which now is located at South Florida State College, may go away altogether. That reportedly is a result of annexations by the city of Avon Park. Ogg said it now has reached the point where it does not make sense financially to maintain a presence at the school, as there now may not be enough voters there to support a polling place.

Both of those changes are scheduled to be brought to Highlands County commissioners at their meeting this coming Tuesday.

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Gary Franklin talks about a tandem bike they call 'the limo,' which he rides with some of the older foster kids. Franklin said they also attach a bicycle trailer to the 'limo' for younger kids to enjoy. The garage is full of bikes and toys to help entertain kids living at the foster home in Sebring.

## UNSUNG

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Maryland, in 2010. Married for 25 years and restless after the move, they began to think about what to do next.

Mary was aware of the need for foster parents. The idea of opening their home to children in need had been "festering in the back of my mind," she said. She contacted the Florida Baptist Children's Home in Lakeland to get information, but did nothing right away.

One day their church, Highlands Community Church, had a guest speaker. He was a missionary involved overseas, but reminded the congregation one didn't have to journey to distance places to do God's work.

"I felt as if he was speaking directly to me," Mary said. "I asked Gary if he thought the same thing, and he said yes." When the couple arrived home from the service there was an e-mail follow-up from the Baptist Children's Home.

"Okay God, I gotcha," Mary said, and she and Gary applied. They have been taking in children for going on three years now. Typically they have five at a time.

Most of their fos-

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ter children have been five years or younger. They've come in all colors, shapes and sizes — a few arriving with only the clothes on their backs. Some children stay for months, some only a few days.

The most difficult part of fostering, Gary said, is saying goodbye to the children when they go back to their families.

"That's the heart problem," said Mary. "When they come in they are my children. I rock them to sleep. I take them to the doctor. It's a big adjustment for everyone when someone leaves, for the other kids and for us. But I'm just here to take care of the children while their parents can't."

"I'm 57 years old," Gary said. "I've done more crying in the last three years than I did in the 54 years before. It's hard to let go." He smiled, "But the memories of these children last a lifetime. I wouldn't take \$5 billion for them."

There have been moments of challenge. For example, one very young boy insisted on pushing the beds and

cribs around the floor. It got to be a problem. Gary said he waited until the boy was at daycare and screwed all the beds to the walls.

One 4-year-old had never used a fork. At their first meal together, the child lowered his head to the plate and shoved the food into his mouth using his hands.

And while the couple started out using bunk

beds, they stopped when one boy refused to use the ladder and kept jumping to the floor instead.

Ashley Vaughn is the Franklins' case worker. "(Gary and Mary) take kids in with open arms, and create a support system," she said. Then added that what makes them so unusual as foster parents is "the effort they put into building relationships with the parents, to get them involved with their children."

For opening their hearts and home, for helping parents and children get back together and for putting other people's needs before their own, the News-Sun is privileged

# Clermont police probe middle school plot

Student had knife, written details of plot to hurt teachers and himself

Associated Press

CLERMONT — Deputies in central Florida are investigating a possible plot by a middle school student to harm some of his teachers.

Officials said Thursday that the student at East Ridge Middle School in the Orlando suburb of Clermont is undergoing a mental health evaluation.

No charges have been filed.

Deputies say the student brought a knife to school last week and had a black book detailing a plot to kill some of his teachers and then himself.

Deputies searched the student's home but found no other weapons.

Officials say the student had recently been suspended from school for 10 days and the school was looking for an alternative placement for him.

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## 2 deputies, suspect injured in Tampa

Associated Press

TAMPA — A man and woman are in custody after an armed robbery and police chase that ended with two Hillsborough County Sheriff's deputies being hit by the suspects' vehicle.

Authorities say 30-year-old Jovanny Pena is in stable condition after deputies fired at him as he drove his Jeep Liberty toward them on Wednesday

evening. His 30-year-old accomplice Bryna McLaughlin was also taken to the hospital after complaining of an unrelated medical issue. Both were arrested.

According to deputies, the pair robbed a Radio Shack, threatening a customer, store clerk and the manager and general manager. They took about 90 cell phones and some \$56,000. A 911 call alerted deputies.

# Maya Angelou, the nation's wise woman

JESSE J. HOLLAND  
Associated Press

She had lasting impact on discussions about race and gender

Maya Angelou walked into a meeting of civil rights leaders discussing affirmative action back in the 1990s, looked around, and put them all in their place with a single, astute observation.

"She came into the room," recalled Al Sharpton, "and she said: 'The first problem is you don't have women in here of equal status. We need to correct you before you can correct the country.'"

Angelou, who died Wednesday at 86, made an impact on American culture that transcended her soaring poetry and searing memoirs. She was the nation's wise woman, a poet to presidents, an unapologetic conscience who became such a touchstone that grief over her loss poured from politi-

cal leaders, celebrities and ordinary people in generous doses.

"Above all, she was a storyteller — and her greatest stories were true," President Barack Obama said.

Never hesitant to speak her mind, Angelou passionately defended the rights of women, young people and the ignored. She effortlessly traversed the worlds of literature and activism, becoming a confidante to the original civil rights leaders, their successors and the current generation.

"I've seen many things, I've learned many things," Angelou told The Associated Press in 2013. "I've certainly been exposed to many things and I've learned something: I owe it to you to tell you."



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Maya Angelou died Wednesday at the age of 86.

Marc Morial, president of the National Urban League, remembered the "incredibly powerful experience" of being invited to Angelou's home. They sat at her kitchen table for hours, Morial said, as Angelou told stories and talked about life, art, culture and humankind.

"With equal parts majesty and humil-

ity, she held court — and I listened intently, absorbing every word and meaning that she had to impart," Morial said.

A former singer and dancer — as well as once being the first black streetcar conductor in San Francisco — she also put her imprint on the new world of celebrity, mentoring Oprah Win-

frey, instructing Alicia Keys in "lining out," a call-and-response form of singing popular in Southern black churches, acting in a television sketch with Richard Pryor and inspiring singers, authors and actors of all races and genders.

Angelou was a "phenomenal woman of insight, eloquence and artistry who gave voice to the rawness and loftiness of our history and our humanity," said Rep. Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., the nation's first female House speaker.

Angelou's talents and platforms were boundless: poetry, books, movies, the spoken word, television, a weekly SiriusXM satellite radio show and even Twitter and Facebook. She collected accolades from all por-

tions of society: a Tony Award in 1973 for her appearance in the play "Look Away"; three Grammys for her spoken-word albums; an honorary National Book Award for her contributions to the literary community; a National Medal of Arts; and the Presidential Medal of Freedom, the country's highest civilian honor.

Whether talking about the scourge of discrimination or the evil of sexism, "she has much to teach this generation and generations unborn about what it means to be an authentic person, and the power of the genuine," the Rev. Jesse Jackson said.

Before becoming a famed author, Angelou worked as a coordinator for the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, and lived for years in Egypt and Ghana.

## AUDIT

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the close of 2012-2013, assets exceeded liabilities by a net \$37.7 million.

"Financially speaking, the city is in excellent shape," City Manager Julian Deleon said in an email to the News-Sun. "Our general fund has a reserve balance of 41 percent of the total general fund expenditures. Most organizations aim for 20 percent. Because expenditures were minimized in 2013, we added \$492,075 to the general fund, bringing total reserves to (more than \$2.5 million)."

This was accomplished despite a decrease of almost \$200,000 in property tax revenue due to lowering the millage rate from 5.9 mills in 2012 to 3.6 mills in 2013.

Avon Park's enterprise funds also showed growth. The water and sewer fund revenues increased by more than \$885,000 to \$2.8 million, and solid waste revenues increased more than \$23,000. In all, excess revenue increased by

more than \$900,000 to more than \$2.6 million.

The airport fund remains a disappointment, however, continuing to operate at a loss. For years the airport revenues, which come from rental of facilities, have been up and down, typically in the red.



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In fact, the auditors said, the airport fund owes the sanitation department more than \$500,000 from what can be called an in-house loan. The city should either set up a repayment schedule, the auditors said, or forgive the debt and take it off the books. That is a decision the city council will have to make.

"Last year we did not complete our audit in a timely manner," Deleon said in his email. "Because of delays, we went past the required state law deadline. For this year, we completed the audit within the allowable time frame in compliance with state law."

Auditors had made 13 significant findings over the years, Deleon

said. In 2013 the city cleared seven of those issues and partially cleared another two. "This leaves us with four more findings that need to be cleared going into 2014."

Most of the issues involve internal control, like the need for more precise accounting or clearer policy language in specific situations. For example, the auditors said there is confusion regarding the limit for petty cash expenditures. One city publication states a \$25 maximum, another says \$50.

The city also needs to do an inventory of all its equipment and tools, the auditors said, and regularly review of journal entries for accuracy.

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# SPORTS

## Tractors plow past Milkmen

BY DAN HOEHNE  
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SEBRING – “Are you seeing what I’m seeing?”

Those were the words of a frustrated Sebring Tractor Service head coach Ceasar Martinez Tuesday night, as his team was off to a slow start against Got Milk? in Dixie Boys action at the Max Long Recreation Complex.

His team had avoided an early deficit in the first, as the Milkmen loaded the bas-

es, but starting pitcher Hunter Martinez got a come-backer and threw to the plate for the force to end the threat.

But the Tractor Service couldn’t get it to turn over and failed to get a runner on board in their half of the frame – aided by a diving snare of a line-drive by Milk short-stop J.C. Crenshaw.

And then Got Milk got on the board in the second.

With two on and one out, Lucas Missall belted an RBI double and

Crenshaw followed with a grounder that brought Travus Hill home for a 2-0 lead.

The Tractor’s then started to chug along and tied it in the bottom of the inning.

Damion Lusby singled through the left side and Eli Fautheree shot a single to right.

A wild pitch sent Lusby racing home for a score and an error on a Carson Angell fly ball brought Fautheree home with the tying run.

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Damion Lusby gets to the plate just ahead of Phillip Hamilton for a run Tuesday night in Sebring Tractor Service’s Dixie Boys win.

## Elite Plumbing, Firemen pick up and play

BY LAUREN WELBORN  
News-Sun correspondent

SEBRING—It wouldn’t be a Dixie season without a little rain to stir things up now, would it?

Due to the recent downpours, Elite Plumbing and Firemen had to reschedule their Monday night game for Wednesday.

The schedule change not only put them under the threat of more rain, but also made the game a bit more interesting.

With no umpires, Firemen sent out a coach who anchored behind the pitcher to call for the whole field.

In addition, Pool Paradise’s Desmond Gaines, who was attending as a spectator, was pulled from the bleachers to play for Elite Plumbing.

Sporting his school clothes, Gaines was the ninth player Elite Plumbing needed to play.

Boys who come to



Lauren Welborn/News-Sun

Keyshawn Hicks steps home to a Firemen celebration after his grand slam Wednesday night, though Elite Plumbing would eke out the win.

play ball do just that – come to play ball, so neither team was going home without playing.

Thus, with all the conditions accommodated, the now-unofficial game commenced.

Leading off the night was Mason Price for Firemen, who ripped

a single to right-center, with a repeat effort from Robert Spooone putting two men on base,

Both runners were able to steal second and third before Drew Smith’s hit went to the Elite Plumbing third baseman who was able

to make the play to throw out Smith, but not before Price would cross the plate for Firemen.

Keyshawn Hicks followed with a drive down the third base line to score Spooone,

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## Florida Fishing Records

BY DON NORTON  
Special to the News-Sun

Customers ask me all the time, “what’s the state record for largemouth bass?” Or, “what’s the state record for bluegill or crappie.”

Obviously, a lot of fishermen don’t know the answers, and some, who believe they know, are wrong.

For example, many fishermen believe the Florida State record for a largemouth bass is over 20 pounds.

They are off by a good three pounds.

The “official” Florida State record is 17.27 pounds, caught and certified in 1986 by Bill O’Berry in an unnamed lake in Polk County.

There have been a number of bigger largemouth bass caught, or at least “claimed” to have been caught, but none were certified and recognized by the state.

The most famous, and certainly a fish that could have been the official state record was caught by Frederick Friebe in



### FISHIN’ AROUND

Don Norton

Big Fish Lake in 1923, weighing in at 20 pounds 2 ounces.

This fish was caught on a Creek Chub number 700 Pikie Minnow nine years before George Perry’s world record largemouth that weighed 22.4 pounds.

But the weight of the fish was never certified and as a result, stands in the record books as the “unofficial Florida State record”.

According to the Florida Fish and Wildlife Commission, “uncertified state record” means “it is believed to be accurate based on reliable witnesses and other evidence, but is not certifiable according to FWC regulations.”

So the bar is set at

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## CERVERA’S DAILY DOUBLE



Dan Hoehne/News-Sun

There were a flurry of grand slam home runs this week in Dixie action, with Elite Plumbing’s Abe Cervera having a game for the ages Tuesday. In a 14-0 win for Elite Plumbing, Cervera hit two grand slams and also had a bases-loaded triple to account for 11 RBI. Over on the opposite field Tuesday, in a Pool Paradise win, Shaun Algate Jr. also put one over the fence with the bases loaded. And then Firemen’s Keyshawn Hicks hammered a grand salami Wednesday night, though Elite Plumbing would rally for the win.

## HYF Eagles are gearing up

Special to the News-Sun

The Highlands Youth Football and Cheer Organization (HYF) is gearing up for the upcoming season and will be having open registration session for players and cheerleaders on Saturday, May 31, at Lakeshore Mall in Hibbett Sports from 11 a.m.-3 p.m.

HYF is growing and has just recently merged with Florida Elite Football and is now known as Florida PAL Elite.

This is an exciting merger and HYF will be seeing some new teams this season such as the

Avon Park Red Devils and Frostproof Bulldogs and others in the Central Florida area.

Practice is scheduled to begin at the Highlands County Sports Complex on Field “D” on Monday, July 7.

All home games will be held at Avon Park High School.

Florida PAL Elite offers five divisions of football and cheerleading which include Flag – Ages 4-6, Mighty-Mite – Ages 7-8, Pee Wee – Ages 9-10, Junior Varsity – Ages 11-12 and Varsity – Ages 13-14.

Ages are based on a

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Courtesy photo

The Highland Eagles Youth Football and Cheer is readying to roll into the new season with sign-ups this weekend.

**SPORTS ON TV**

**TODAY**

<b>GOLF</b>		
■ EuroPGA – Nordea Masters	9 a.m.	GOLF
■ LPGA – ShopRite Classic	Noon	GOLF
■ PGA – Memorial Tournament	2:30 p.m.	GOLF
■ PGA – Principal Charity Classic	7 p.m.	GOLF

**MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL**

■ Tampa Bay at Boston	7 p.m.	SUN
■ Chicago Cubs at Milwaukee	8 p.m.	WGN

**NBA PLAYOFFS**

■ Indiana at Miami	8:30 p.m.	ESPN
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**TENNIS**

■ French Open, Third Round	9 a.m.	ESPN2
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**SATURDAY**

**AUTO RACING**

■ NHRA – Lucas Oil Series	9:30 a.m.	ESPN2
■ NASCAR – Nationwide Series, Qual.	10:30 a.m.	ESPN2
■ NASCAR – Nationwide Series	2 p.m.	ESPN
■ IndyCar – Dual in Detroit	3:30 p.m.	ABC
■ NHRA – Toyota Summernationals, Qual	4:30 p.m.	ESPN

**BOXING**

■ Carl Froch vs. George Groves	4 p.m.	HBO
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**COLLEGE BASEBALL**

■ NCAA Tournament	5 p.m.	ESPN2
■ NCAA Tournament	8 p.m.	ESPN2

**GOLF**

■ PGA – Memorial Tournament	12:30 p.m.	GOLF
■ LPGA – ShopRight Classic	2:30 p.m.	GOLF
■ PGA – Memorial Tournament	3 p.m.	CBS
■ PGA – Principal Charity Classic	5 p.m.	GOLF

**MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL**

■ San Diego at Chicago White Sox	2 p.m.	WGN
■ Tampa Bay at Boston	7 p.m.	FOX

**NBA PLAYOFFS**

■ San Antonio at Oklahoma City	9 p.m.	TNT
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**TENNIS**

■ French Open, Third Round	Noon	NBC
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**SCOREBOARD**

<b>NBA Playoff Glance</b>		
<b>CONFERENCE FINALS (Best-of-7; x-if necessary)</b>		
<b>EASTERN CONFERENCE</b>		
<b>Miami 3, Indiana 2</b>		
Sunday, May 18: Indiana 107, Miami 96		
Tuesday, May 20: Miami 87, Indiana 83		
Saturday, May 24: Miami 99, Indiana 87		
Monday, May 26: Miami 102, Indiana 90		
Wednesday, May 28: Indiana 93, Miami 90		
Friday, May 30: Indiana at Miami, 8:30 p.m.		
x-Sunday, June 1: Miami at Indiana, 8:30 p.m.		
<b>WESTERN CONFERENCE</b>		
<b>San Antonio 2, Oklahoma City 2</b>		
Monday, May 19: San Antonio 122, Oklahoma City 105		
Wednesday, May 21: San Antonio 112, Oklahoma City 77		
Sunday, May 25: Oklahoma City 106, San Antonio 97		
Tuesday, May 27: Oklahoma City 105, San Antonio 92		
Thursday, May 29: Oklahoma City at San Antonio, 9 p.m.		
Saturday, May 31: San Antonio at Oklahoma City, 8:30 p.m.		
x-Monday, June 2: Oklahoma City at San Antonio, 9 p.m.		
<b>NHL Playoff Glance</b>		
<b>CONFERENCE FINALS (Best-of-7; x-if necessary)</b>		
<b>EASTERN CONFERENCE</b>		
<b>N.Y. Rangers 3, Montreal 2</b>		
Saturday, May 17: N.Y. Rangers 7, Montreal 2		
Monday, May 19: NY Rangers 3, Montreal 1		
Thursday, May 22: Montreal 3, NY Rangers 2, OT		
Sunday, May 25: NY Rangers 3, Montreal 2, OT		
Tuesday, May 27: Montreal 7, NY Rangers 4		
Thursday, May 29: Montreal at NY Rangers, 8 p.m.		
x-Saturday, May 31: NY Rangers at Montreal, 8 p.m.		
<b>WESTERN CONFERENCE</b>		
<b>Los Angeles 3, Chicago 2</b>		
Sunday, May 18: Chicago 3, Los Angeles 1		
Wednesday, May 21: Los Angeles 6, Chicago 2		
Saturday, May 24: Los Angeles 4, Chicago 3		
Monday, May 26: Los Angeles 5, Chicago 2		
Wednesday, May 28: Chicago 5, Los Angeles 4, 2OT		
Friday, May 30: Chicago at Los Angeles, 9 p.m.		
x-Sunday, June 1: Los Angeles at Chicago, 8 p.m.		

<b>Major League Baseball</b>		
<b>American League</b>		
<b>East</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>
Toronto	32	22
New York	28	24
Baltimore	26	25
Boston	23	29
Tampa Bay	23	31
<b>Central</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>
Detroit	29	20
Chicago	28	27
Minnesota	24	26
Kansas City	24	28
Cleveland	24	30
<b>West</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>
Oakland	32	21
Los Angeles	29	23
Texas	27	26
Seattle	26	26
Houston	22	32
<b>Wednesday's Games</b>		
Houston 9, Kansas City 3		
Toronto 3, Tampa Bay 2		
Boston 4, Atlanta 0		
Milwaukee 8, Baltimore 3		
Chicago White Sox 3, Cleveland 2		
Texas 1, Minnesota 0		
N.Y. Yankees 7, St. Louis 4		
Oakland 3, Detroit 1		
Seattle 3, L.A. Angels 1		
<b>Thursday's Games</b>		
Texas at Minnesota, late		
Detroit at Oakland, late		
Kansas City at Toronto, late		
Atlanta at Boston, late		
Baltimore at Houston, late		
L.A. Angels at Seattle, late		
<b>Friday's Games</b>		
Colorado (Nicasio 5-2) at Cleveland (Kluber 5-3), 7:05 p.m.		
Minnesota (Nolasco 2-5) at N.Y. Yankees (Nuno 1-1), 7:05 p.m.		
Texas (Lewis 4-3) at Washington (Strasburg 3-4), 7:05 p.m.		
Kansas City (Vargas 4-2) at Toronto (Happ 4-1), 7:07 p.m.		
Tampa Bay (Price 4-4) at Boston (Workman 0-0), 7:10 p.m.		
Baltimore (Mi.Gonzalez 3-3) at Houston (Oberholzer 1-6), 8:10 p.m.		
San Diego (Kennedy 3-6) at Chicago White Sox (Joh.Danks 3-4), 8:10 p.m.		

<b>National League</b>				
<b>East</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>Pct</b>	<b>GB</b>
Atlanta	28	24	.538	—
Miami	28	25	.528	½
Washington	25	27	.481	3
New York	24	28	.462	4
Philadelphia	23	27	.460	4
<b>Central</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>Pct</b>	<b>GB</b>
Milwaukee	32	22	.593	—
St. Louis	29	24	.547	2½
Cincinnati	23	28	.451	7½
Pittsburgh	23	29	.442	8
Chicago	19	32	.373	11½
<b>West</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>Pct</b>	<b>GB</b>
San Francisco	34	19	.642	—
Los Angeles	29	25	.537	5½
Colorado	28	25	.528	6
San Diego	24	30	.444	10½
Arizona	22	33	.400	13
<b>Wednesday's Games</b>				
N.Y. Mets 5, Pittsburgh 0				
San Francisco 5, Chicago Cubs 0				
Philadelphia 6, Colorado 3				
Miami 8, Washington 5, 10 innings				
Boston 4, Atlanta 0				
Milwaukee 8, Baltimore 3				
N.Y. Yankees 7, St. Louis 4				
Arizona 12, San Diego 6				
Cincinnati 3, L.A. Dodgers 2				
<b>Thursday's Games</b>				
N.Y. Mets at Philadelphia, late				
Atlanta at Boston, late				
San Francisco at St. Louis, late				
Cincinnati at Arizona, late				
Pittsburgh at L.A. Dodgers, late				
<b>Friday's Games</b>				
Colorado (Nicasio 5-2) at Cleveland (Kluber 5-3), 7:05 p.m.				
N.Y. Mets (R.Montero 0-2) at Philadelphia (A.Burnett 3-4), 7:05 p.m.				
Texas (Lewis 4-3) at Washington (Strasburg 3-4), 7:05 p.m.				
Atlanta (Teheran 4-3) at Miami (Koehler 4-4), 7:10 p.m.				
Chicago Cubs (T.Wood 5-4) at Milwaukee (Estrada 4-2), 8:10 p.m.				
San Diego (Kennedy 3-6) at Chicago White Sox (Joh.Danks 3-4), 8:10 p.m.				
San Francisco (Bumgarner 6-3) at St. Louis (Wainwright 8-2), 8:15 p.m.				
Cincinnati (Leake 2-4) at Arizona (Arroyo 4-3), 9:40 p.m.				
Pittsburgh (Liriano 0-5) at L.A. Dodgers (Beckett 3-1), 10:10 p.m.				

<b>Arena Football League NATIONAL CONFERENCE</b>					
<b>West</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>Pct</b>	<b>PF PA</b>
Arizona	10	0	0	1.000	663 477
Los Angeles	2	8	0	.200	336 495
San Antonio	1	9	0	.100	447 566
<b>Pacific</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>Pct</b>	<b>PF PA</b>
San Jose	7	3	0	.700	566 405
Spokane	5	5	0	.500	527 480
Portland	3	7	0	.300	407 510
<b>AMERICAN CONFERENCE</b>					
<b>South</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>Pct</b>	<b>PF PA</b>
Orlando	6	4	0	.600	580 588
Tampa Bay	4	6	0	.400	504 555
Jacksonville	3	7	0	.300	525 531
New Orleans	2	7	0	.222	403 514
<b>East</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>Pct</b>	<b>PF PA</b>
Cleveland	9	0	0	1.000	463 374
Pittsburgh	7	3	0	.700	553 454
Philadelphia	5	5	0	.500	570 560
Iowa	5	5	0	.500	477 512
<b>Friday's Games</b>					
Tampa Bay at New Orleans, 8:30 p.m.					
Portland at Spokane, 10 p.m.					

<b>WNBA</b>				
<b>EASTERN</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>Pct</b>	<b>GB</b>
Chicago	4	1	.800	—
Atlanta	2	2	.500	1½
New York	2	2	.500	1½
Washington	1	2	.333	2
Connecticut	1	3	.250	2½
Indiana	1	3	.250	2½
<b>WESTERN</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>Pct</b>	<b>GB</b>
Minnesota	5	0	1.000	—
Los Angeles	2	1	.667	2
Phoenix	2	1	.667	2
San Antonio	3	2	.600	2
Seattle	1	4	.200	4
Tulsa	0	3	.000	4
<b>Wednesday's Games</b>				
San Antonio 82, Tulsa 79				
<b>Thursday's Games</b>				
Connecticut at Indiana, late				
<b>Friday's Games</b>				
New York at Washington, 7 p.m.				
Seattle at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.				
San Antonio at Minnesota, 8 p.m.				
Connecticut at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.				
Tulsa at Phoenix, 10 p.m.				

**Sebring Elks Golf Tourney**

The Sebring Elks Lodge No. 1529 monthly golf outing will be held at Golf Hammock Golf and Country Club on Monday, June 2, 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](mailto:jacknjudy33872@gmail.com) or leave a message on 863 471-3295.

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

**Summer Sunrise 5K Series**

SEBRING – The inaugural Summer Sunrise 5K Series will be held on Saturday's June 7, June 28, 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.

Series entry fee is \$40 for the four races thru Thursday, June 5 and \$50 on race morning.

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

Entry forms at: [cbrojek@comcast.net](mailto:cbrojek@comcast.net) at 385-4736.

**SHS Summer of Swim**

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

The first session begins Monday, June 9 and runs 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 be sent to [catonp@highlands.k12.fl.us](mailto: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.

Additional hours will be added once school is out.

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

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Program will again offer four (4) instructional sessions.

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

The Program will offer eight 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.

**Sunrise Rotary Charity Golf**

SEBRING – The Sebring Sunrise Rotary 25th Annual Charity Golf Tournament will tee off on Saturday, June 7 at Sun ‘N Lake on the Turtle Run course.

Format is a four-person Scramble

## RECORD

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17.27 pounds, and has been for the last 28 years.

Surely there has to be a bass larger than 17 pounds swimming around in one of our lakes here in Highlands County.

Of course catching it is another matter.

Two years ago, the Florida Fish and Wildlife Commission created "Trophy Catch", a program that recognizes trophy catches in every species.

I've mentioned it before in this column.

It's easy to register a fish, and worth it to just register since they give away a boat, motor and trailer every year to one of the lucky people who registered on the site.

Cash awards, as well as certificates are available to fishermen

weighing in their catch. Anyone who fishes in the state of Florida should register.

But what about some of the other popular gamefish in Florida?

Again, most fisher-

men don't readily know when they catch a large fish if it's a potential state record or not.

The following list may help.

The recognized state record for Black Crappie is 3.83 pounds; Bluegill is 2.95 pounds; Redear Sunfish is 4.86 pounds; Warmouth is 2.44 pounds; Chain Pickerel is 6.96 pounds; Longnose Gar is 41 pounds and the Blue Tilapia is 9.38 pounds.

Other species listed for the state of Florida can be found on their website.

For those of you interested in the World Record Largemouth Bass, and the top 25 largest bass according to B.A.S.S., the list is painfully lacking big fish from Florida.

The Top 25 Large-mouth Bass of all time

1a. 22.3106, caught by Kurita, Manabu in Lake Biwi, Japan on July 2, 2009

1b. 22.2500, caught by George Perry in Montgomery Lake, Georgia on June 2, 1932

3. 22.0100, caught by Robert Crupi in Lake Castiac, California on March 12, 1991



Photo courtesy of www.luckytutes.nl

This whopping, 21.6875-pounder, caught by Jed Dickerson in Lake Dixon, California on May 31, 2003, is just fifth on the all-time record list.

4. 21.7500, caught by Mike Arujo in Lake Castiac, California on March 5, 1991

5. 21.6875, caught by Jed Dickerson in Lake Dixon, California on May 31, 2003

6. 21.2000, caught by Raymond Easley in Lake Casitas, California on March 4, 1980

7. 21.0100, caught by Robert Crupi in Lake Castiac, California on March 9, 1990

8. 20.9375, caught by Dave Zimmerlee in Lake Miramar, California on June 23, 1973

9. 20.8600, caught by Leo Torres in Lake Castiac, California on February 4, 1990

10. 20.7500, caught by Mike Long in Lake Dixon, California on April 27, 2001

11. 20.2500, caught by Gene Dupras in Lakes Hodges, California on May 30, 1985

12. 20.1250, caught by Fritz Friebe in Big Fish Lake, Florida on May 19, 1923

13. 19.7000, caught by George Coniglio in Lake Mission Viejo, California on March 21, 2006

14. 19.5000, caught by Mark Balloid in Lake Castiac, California on May 28, 1990

14. 19.5000, caught by Randy Crabtree in Lake Casitas, California

on April 9, 2002

14. 19.5000, caught by Keith Gunsauls in Lake Miramar, California on February 29, 1988

17. 19.4375, caught by Mac Weakley in Dixon Lake, California on May 20, 2003

18. 19.2500, caught by Chris Brant in Lake Miramar, California on March 22, 1998

19. 19.1875, caught by Steve Beasley in Lake Wohlford, California on February 3, 1986

19. 19.1875, caught by Charles Hanline in Lake Morena, California on February 17, 1987

21. 19.1500, caught by Kazuya Shimada in Lake Ikehara, Japan on April 22, 2003

22. 19.0625, caught by Sandra DeFranco in Lake Miramar, California on March 14, 1988

23. 19.0400, caught by Dan Kadota in Lake Castiac, California on January 8, 1989

24. 19.0313, caught by Larry Kerns in Success Lake, California on January 27, 2001

25. 19.0000, caught by Riley Witt in Lake Tarpon, Florida on June 26, 1961

So there you have

it! The top 25 largest bass according to the Bass Anglers Sportsman Society, (B.A.S.S.). How many of these fish are actually certified and recognized by their respective states or countries is another matter.

But it is surprising that on this list there are only two bass from the state of Florida.

What's not so surprising is that all the bass, even those caught in Japan have been certified as Florida strain-largemouth bass.

It's time Florida starts adding a few wallhangers to the list!

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# B.A.S.S. survey excludes Istokpoga

BY JOHN RAWLINGS  
Guest Columnist

A recent survey taken by B.A.S.S. establishing the top 100 bass fisheries in the United States of America left Lake Istokpoga off the list, raising the question, "Why?"

Could it be since they had the "Major League Fishing Show" televised nationwide with the best fishermen world saying the lake was a tough fishery?

Could it be even though the Fish and Wildlife Commission recommends 20-40 percent aquatic vegetation, the lake has gotten as low as 12 percent due to the excessive weed eradication?

In mid-2000, the Florida Lake Istokpoga had a plan to take Lake Istokpoga to a new level of bass fishing experience, a trophy bass lake.

Millions of dollars were spent bulldozing the dead sediment left from the years of submerged weeds that had been treated with chemicals and left to

rest on the bottom of the lake.

This raises another question.

After they removed the sediment off the bottom of the lake down to the sand, why did they return to killing the submerged weeds again causing the same problem all over again?

Not to mention all the fish we lost when the gates were opened.

Now they have used stronger or different chemicals to eradicate the weeds because the weeds have built up a tolerance to previous chemicals used.

Since Lake Istokpoga is sometimes used for irrigation, I wonder if these chemicals are getting into our food chain and also from fish caught from the lake.

The pan fishermen went home with their tails between their legs because the spec and bream fishing was way off.

Could this be due to the water clarity affecting the fish to spawn? A water clarity read-

ing taken by a Secchi Disk from 2001 through 2004 shows it decreased 40 percent in Lake Istokpoga.

The last time I was on the lake, you couldn't see down six inches.

Lately I have heard several people refer to it as the "mud hole."

Many people believe if we get rid of the weeds, the alligators, snakes and unwanted species will leave the lake.

That is true to some extent, but these creatures are a part of the beauty of Florida.

Lake Jackson is a good example of what happens when you get rid of all the weeds.

It is great for skiing, but not for fishing or sightseeing.

I don't see very many skiers and even less people fishing on Lake Jackson.

At one time you could catch 50 bass in a single day on Lake Istokpoga and limits of specs and brim were common.

Twenty-five pound bags of fish were not

uncommon with most tournament fishermen and most of them caught fish.

Most fishermen that had visited the area couldn't wait to come back because of the great fishing.

Now 25 pounds might win a tournament, but a majority of the anglers get skunked.

The question must be asked, why Okeechobee's water clarity is so much better than Istokpoga's.

Okeechobee made the top 100 list at number 6.

Kissimmee was 21st, Stick Marsh ranked 42nd and St. Johns was 48th.

Could it be that too much of a good thing has gone sour and the lake needs to return to at least 20-40 percent submerged weeds like the LakeWatch people

recommended back in early 2000.

If we could take a deep breath for a year or so and let nature repair the damaged excessive chemical spraying, digging the tussock and burning off acres of natural vegetation has done, wouldn't it be interesting to see if there was some improvement in the fisheries.

The hydrilla and the pond weed, which by the way helps filter the water, has all but disappeared.

The old saying spoken by many pros, "Find the grass and you will find the bass," is true.

Since Lake Istokpoga is mostly a fishing lake you would think the county and the Florida Wildlife Commission would try to do things to improve the fishing including stocking

Lake Istokpoga from the FWC's state of the art hatchery.

Everyone that cares about Lake Istokpoga needs to ask why it was left out of the top 100 lakes in the nation when at one time it was number 3.

Now it has the nickname the mud hole.

I also wonder how much this is costing Highlands County in lost revenue.

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## HYF

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cutoff date of July 31.

Registration Fees are \$100 for the Tackle Division and Cheerleading and \$80 for Flag Football.

Cheerleading includes an additional Cheer Package for \$40 that includes Cheer shoes, socks, bows and bloomers.

Limited spots are

available for all divisions of football and cheerleading.

Flag Cheer is full and is not accepting any registrations.

Online registration is available on the Highlands Eagles website at [www.highlandseagles.com](http://www.highlandseagles.com).

To register online, click on the Registration Tab, select the Participant Registration Form then fill out all the information and submit it online.

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All registration fees are to be paid in full by Monday, June 30.

For additional information regarding football, please call Cliff Howell at (863) 253-7070 or Chrissi Merrick at (863) 381-8623 for Cheerleading.

**ELITE**  
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putting Firemen up 2-0 after their first at-bat.

Elite Plumbing was able to respond with a run of their own in the bottom of the first.

A single from Sam Lieske and another borrowed player Gaines followed by Abe Cervera's walk loaded the bases with only one out.

A fielder's choice then scored Lieske to put the board now at 2-1.

The top of the second saw no scoring opportunities for Firemen, while Elite Plumbing overcame the lead in the bottom of the inning.

Tyler Simmons beat out a throw to put himself on second base before Kaleb Lindsey drew a walk and both stole bases to put two runners in scoring position.

Kyle Mercer's pop-up caused some confusion amongst the Firemen defense, allowing it to fall to the ground and score Simmons to tie things up.

The Firemen defense still appeared a bit shaky, which allowed Lindsey to score and Elite Plumbing to take their first lead of the night.

With runners in scoring position again, Gaines' grounder was fielded by the Firemen third baseman, who was able to recoup from the mishaps and throw out Gaines.

This effort, however, scored one more for the Plumber boys to put them up 4-2.

In spite of a shaking performance in the last inning, Firemen took back their lead in the top of the third.

Cody Little, Price and Spooone quickly loaded the bases before Smith stepped into the batter's box, drawing

a walk and bringing in another Firemen run.

Hicks then rattled the field just like the lingering thunderstorm, sending a grand slam over the fence.

Elite Plumbing could not respond to this, despite putting two men on base, ending the third inning 7-4 with the lead back in Firemen's hands.

Not to be silenced just yet, Elite's defense forced Firemen to go three up, three down in the top of the fourth.

Then, in the bottom of the same inning, Elite Plumbing crept back on Firemen's lead.

Mercer, Lieske and Gaines loaded the bases early on before Cervera's single scored two runs to see the score now at 7-6.

Elite Plumbing ended the inning with the bases loaded, and where they could not capitalize in the bottom of the fourth, they made up for it in the bottom of

the fifth.

Simmons stole home to tie the game up one more time before Lieske's RBI scored Lindsey to give Elite Plumbing the lead again.

Three outs later, Elite Plumbing won the game.

While the win was not an official one, it certainly gave each team some learning experiences.

"They came out and hit the ball, but they kind of took the night for granted," said Firemen coach Issac Martz. "They just did not get the runs when they needed to, and (Elite Plumbing) came out with their best pitcher and shut us down when they needed to."

Martz spoke of Cervera, a southpaw who performed well for Elite Plumbing throughout the night.

"The kids played very well," shared Elite Plumbing coach Micky



Lauren Welborn/News-Sun

Elite Plumbing's Kyle Mercer didn't have to move far to snare this pop-up on the mound Wednesday night in Dixie Ozone action.

Mercer. "We had some struggles with the bats towards the bottom of the lineup, but the kids did very well."

"They're coming along and I know they are going to make it,"

he said, and hopefully the night's outcome gave them the confidence boost they needed.

"All of the kids have improved a lot, and I'm proud of them."



Dan Hoehne/News-Sun

Lucas Missall belted this pitch for an RBI double Tuesday night.

**TRACTOR**  
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Got Milk was able to get the lead back in the third, with Jace Lewis bringing Jaylen Wheelock in to make it 3-2.

But that's when the Tractors kicked it into gear and took the lead for good.

Five runs would

come across in the bottom of the third, highlighted by a Dayvon Terry RBI triple.

Another run was "milked" for the visitors in the fourth to squeeze a little closer, but another five runs came across in the bottom of the frame.

With a run in and the bases loaded, Lusby blasted a shot to deep center field for a

triple to make it 11-3, and when Fautheree followed with a single to bring Lusby in, the lead stood at 12-3.

Wheelock came on in relief and got a strike out to end the frame, but Terry took to the hill for the Tractors and struck out the side in the fifth before two more runs scored in the bottom to end this one on the mer-

cy rule.

The Tractor Service traveled down to Lake Placid to face Bevis Construction Thursday night and are off until Tuesday, June 3, when they will take on Bevis again, this time at Max Long.

Got Milk is back in action Monday, June 2, against Sweet Frogs at Max Long.

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# PLAY IT SAFE

## Tips to keep kids safe all summer long

### Family Features

Summer is a time of playground fun, camping, swimming and other outdoor activities. When kids are outdoors, their sense of adventure and curiosity soars, which can, unfortunately, lead to a higher risk of injuries.

In fact, according to the Safe Kids Worldwide organization, each year one in four children 14 years of age and younger will sustain an injury that requires medical attention. The good news is that many of these injuries are preventable by following a few simple tips and learning how to avoid accidents and injuries.

“We know kids are active, especially during the summer months,” said John Cinotto, chairman of the board of directors of Shriners Hospitals for Children. “At Shriners Hospitals for Children, we see patients every day with life-changing injuries caused by accidents. We’re always working to help raise awareness that our medical experts are here to get young patients back on track to the childhood they deserve, regardless of the families’ ability to pay.”

Here are some tips to help your family safely enjoy all the fun summer has in store.

### Drive with Care

According to the American Academy of Pediatrics, motor vehicle injuries are the leading cause of death and acquired disability for children and teens. These tips can help you and your children to stay out of harm’s way while in or around vehicles.

- Teach your children to buckle up every time they get into a car, regardless of the length of the car ride. Buckling children in age- and size-appropriate car seats, booster seats and seat belts dramatically reduces the risk of serious and fatal injuries.
- Check around your parked car for children before you pull away. Teach children to be aware of moving vehicles and to wait in safe areas where drivers can see them.
- Accompany young children when they get in and out of a vehicle. Hold their hands when walking near moving vehicles, in driveways and parking lots.

### Mowing Matters

While it may seem like just a common household tool, thousands of children are injured in lawn mower accidents each year, some with severe effects.

Teach children to never play on or around a lawn mower, even when it is not in use. They should never be permitted to walk along side, in front of or behind a moving mower.

Children under six years of age should

be kept inside the home while mowing.

### Fire Safety Simplified

Every hour, approximately 16 children are injured from fires or burns, according to the Safe Kids Worldwide organization. Use these tips to keep your little ones safe around fireworks, grills and other heat sources:

- Teach kids never to play with matches, gasoline, lighter fluid or lighters. Make a habit of placing these items up and away from young children.
- Do not leave children unattended near grills, campfires, fire pits or bonfires. Always have a bucket of water or fire extinguisher nearby when burning fires.
- To ensure a safe celebration, leave fireworks to the professionals.
- If your child is injured by fire or fireworks, immediately take them to a doctor or hospital.

### Playground 101

The Centers for Disease Control revealed that emergency departments treat more than 200,000 children ages 14 and younger for playground-related injuries every year.

Before you let them play at the park or school playground, be sure they keep these precautions in mind:

- Use appropriate and properly fitting safety equipment when participating in any sport, such as helmets and goggles,

which can greatly reduce the risk of head and eye injuries.

- Take your children to playgrounds with shock absorbing surfaces. Choose parks and playgrounds that are appropriate for their age. Check for hazards or broken equipment and continuously supervise your children while they are at play.
- Teach children to use playground and sports equipment properly.
- Remind children that pushing, shoving and crowding on the playground can result in accidents and injuries.

### Make a Safe Splash

While playing poolside may be a blast, the Safe Kids Worldwide organization also revealed that drowning is the leading injury-related cause of death for children between 1–4 years of age.

Fill your family’s summer days with these safe practices around the water:

- Teach children to never go near or in the water without an adult present. Children and adults should never swim alone.
- Give children your undivided attention when they are swimming or near any body of water.
- Always have your children wear a Coast Guard approved, properly fitting life jacket while on a boat, around an open body of water or when participating in water sports.

To learn more, visit [www.shrinershospitalsforchildren.org/safesummer](http://www.shrinershospitalsforchildren.org/safesummer).



### LOVE TO THE RESCUE

With a talented and experienced team of medical professionals, Shriners Hospitals for Children is transforming lives every day through innovative pediatric specialty care, world-class research and outstanding medical education. One young patient who experienced this remarkable care is 14 year-old Brendon Wiseley, who lost his foot and part of his leg in a lawn mower accident. A fifth generation race car driver, Wiseley was referred to Shriners Hospitals for Children when his first prosthetic leg did not fit correctly and was difficult to use. The event had caused him to lose hope of ever racing again. But with an experienced team of medical experts, he was provided with a custom-built prosthetic and child-centric rehabilitation that not only rebuilt his strength, but also his spirit.

“I was injured in a lawn mower accident. Thanks to Shriners Hospitals for Children, I was able to get back to doing what I love,” said Wiseley, who is now a patient ambassador for the organization.

With 22 locations in the United States, Canada and Mexico, the hospital provides advanced care for children with orthopaedic conditions, burns, spinal cord injuries, and cleft lip and palate.



DEAR ABBY

Family wants mom to lighten up on tan

DEAR ABBY: I love my daughter-in-law and I am afraid she is harming herself because of her addiction to tanning. Her boys are in high school and cannot remember their mother without a really dark tan.

One son told his classmates in grade school that his mother was African-American when they were doing African-American studies. (She's Caucasian.)

My son says he cannot convince her to "lighten up" a bit. I don't know what to do. I am ...

SO CONCERNED FOR HER IN ILLINOIS

DEAR SO CONCERNED: You are right to be concerned for your daughter-in-law. For years, dermatologists have cautioned the public about the dangers of exposure to the sun.

With the invention of tanning beds, the rates of melanoma among young people have soared. For anyone who isn't aware, melanoma is an aggressive type of skin cancer that can be fatal.

Tanning can be addictive, and you should urge your daughter-in-law to discuss this with a dermatologist. Because tanning also causes premature aging of the skin, she should explore "sunless tanning," which is much safer.

DEAR ABBY: We play softball at school a lot, and I can't play well. I don't know what to do, and the others laugh at me. What should I do?

— ANXIOUS FOR ADVICE

DEAR ANXIOUS: I know of no athlete, amateur or professional, who can become proficient at a sport without lots of practice.

Talk to your coach about what you need to do to improve, and see if another adult would be willing to play catch and pitch to you.

If you keep trying, you will improve.

If not, there may be another sport you will like better.

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Walt Disney Studios

Angelina Jolie in 'Maleficent.'

Jolie's a fun hero-villain in 'Maleficent'

JOCELYN NOVECK AP National Writer

MOVIE REVIEW

CRITIC'S RATING: ★ ★ 1/2

Maybe it's too soon to say the tide has shifted definitively. But it's certainly been a unique time for fairy-tale villains.

After hundreds of years of moral clarity, suddenly we're getting a new look at these evil creatures, who are actually turning out to be complex beings, and not that bad at all. Really, they've just been misunderstood. (And, by the way, those charming princes? Highly overrated.)

The most obvious recent example is "Frozen," the animated Disney blockbuster that showed us how the Snow Queen, long portrayed as an icy-hearted villain, was actually a tragic victim of circumstance, with a pure and loving heart. And now we have "Maleficent," which tells us that one of the most evil characters in all of pop culture is equally vulnerable and misunderstood.

All this is a rather seismic development in fairytale-dom. There are numerous versions of "Sleeping Beauty," stemming back even before Charles Perrault's from 1697, but the fairy who casts an angry spell on the baby princess, dooming her to prick her finger, has always been, well, just nasty.

But now, 55 years after Disney introduced the character named Maleficent in its 1959 classic film—and colored her skin an eerie

green—the studio is back with a live-action (not to mention 3D) Maleficent who's more superheroine than evil fairy. Think Maleficent by way of Lara Croft.

And though Maleficent is no longer green-skinned, it's hard not to think of another green-skinned villainess who's also been rehabilitated, by means of the durable Broadway hit "Wicked": the witch Elphaba from "The Wizard of Oz," who, it turns out, we just didn't know enough about.

And so it is in "Maleficent," in which director Robert Stromberg and screenwriter Linda Woolverton take us back to the fairy's youth to better understand her. She's a plucky young thing with lovely wings and bright pink lipstick, which will turn blood-red when she becomes an adult (the fairy world clearly isn't lacking for cosmetics.)

One day she meets a young man from that other, darker world, where humans live. The two form a strong bond. But the ugliest human emotions—jealousy and ambition—will intervene. Young Stefan will grow into the power-hungry older Stefan (the wild-eyed South African actor Sharlto Copley.) And his stunning betrayal of Maleficent will instantly harden her, turning her into the villainess we recognize.

Alas, the story's still

all about a guy, in the end. But we digress.

"Maleficent" is surely targeted to the same audience—young and female—which has so lovingly embraced "Frozen" and its appealing message of female solidarity and empowerment. But "Frozen" felt clever, charming, and fresh. "Maleficent," less so.

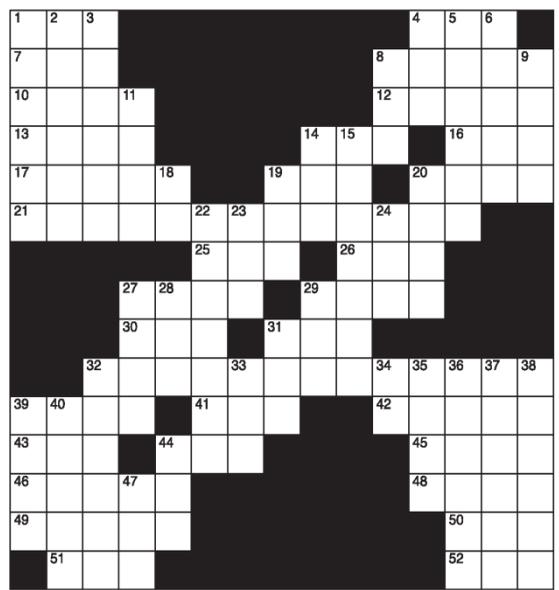
Part of this is due, paradoxically, to Jolie's star wattage. Don't get us wrong: she's the best thing about the movie, and always worth watching. But it blunts the effectiveness of the narrative if we can never quite believe Maleficent is bad. That's because we know she's essentially good, and she seems to know that we know it; You can see it in the upturned wrinkle of her mouth.

And frankly, the other characters are simply not that interesting—Stefan, but also Elle Fanning's Aurora, or "Sleeping Beauty."

In the end, "Maleficent" is fun for its appealing visuals—especially in the forest—and for watching Jolie. But that's not enough to make the whole film interesting. As the minutes tick by, you might even start feeling a bit like Sleeping Beauty herself comes to feel: Drowsy.

"Maleficent," a Walt Disney Studios release, is rated PG by the Motion Picture Association of America "for sequences of fantasy action and violence, including frightening images." Running time: 97 minutes.

PUZZLE CORNER



Solution on B4

CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Thyroid-stimulating hormone
4. Spigot
7. Military mailbox
8. Electric auto company
10. Fastest man alive
12. Expressed pleasure
13. Venice beach
14. Teletypewriter (abbr.)
16. A young man
17. Evade
19. Volcanic Japanese mountain
20. Danson, Turner & Kennedy
21. March holiday
25. Fruit drink
26. Come about
27. Capital of Yemen
29. Tayra genus
30. Mandela's party
31. Vestment
32. Eye exam instrument
39. Plural of 47 down
41. Ingest
42. Coneless volcanic craters
43. The woman
44. Make a mistake
45. Horse gait
46. Father of Lot
48. The destroyer (Hindu)
49. Remove
50. Remains after deductions
51. Clairvoyance
52. Gourde (abbr.)

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Contents lists
2. Condition of inedible food
3. Armed robbery
4. Traditional Asian beverage
5. Scarlett's first love
6. Beg
8. Scotland's longest river
9. Sums up
11. People of southern India
14. Expression of disappointment
15. Japanese electronics firm
18. And, Latin
19. Highest card in a suit
20. Paper Mulberry bark
22. Cattle farmer
23. Actress Lupino
24. Constitution Hall org.
27. Plant fluids
28. Small social insect
29. Shade tree
31. Model Carol
32. Classical singing dramas
33. Swiss river
39. Atomic #62
35. Felines
36. Paddling
37. Established beyond doubt
38. Personal property
39. Tennis great Arthur \_\_\_\_
40. Stock certificate
44. Point midway between NE and E
47. Egyptian cobra

CRYPTO FUN
Determine the code to reveal the answer!

Solve the code to discover words related to vision.
Each number corresponds to a letter.
(Hint: 8 = a)
A. 6 8 13 8 10 8 6 13
Clue: Eye ailment
B. 18 21 18 5
Clue: These allow you to see
C. 9 14 5 14 11 15
Clue: Being able to see
D. 14 2 26 8 14 10
Clue: Weaken or damage

Answers: A. cataract B. eyes C. vision D. impair

SUDOKU

Fun By The Numbers
Like puzzles? Then you'll love sudoku. This mind-bending puzzle will have you hooked from the moment you square off, so sharpen your pencil and put your sudoku savvy to the test!
Here's How It Works:
Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

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

CATARACT WORD SEARCH

Grid for CATARACT WORD SEARCH with letters G, C, A, H, Y, Y, X, E, T, R, O, C, I, N, C, I, S, I, O, N, G, A, S, F, R, Y, B, R, Y, O, L, T, M, L, I, A, R, L, E, P, F, T, T, D, T, G, A, D, L, A, L, R, L, A, Y, B, L, S, H, C, N, A, I, I, E, U, E, M, S, T, R, A, T, N, U, L, O, E, I, O, P, R, G, L, M, R, L, E, G, A, C, N, O, I, N, A, T, N, N, R, A, M, A, O, A, R, G, L, O, M, S, A, T, O, C, O, S, F, G, E, C, A, I, N, E, Y, U, F, S, Y, P, F, E, I, L, A, L, E, O, T, T, R, O, P, C, X, L, X, G, A, D, R, T, P, A, T, A, N, P, I, I, I, T, O, F, N, X, B, O, R, I, R, C, O, R, I, M, I, E, I, S, B, A, C, N, T, O, C, L, E, L, O, A, T, Y, N, O, M, T, R, R, M, R, H, S, O, N, U, B, O, N, A, I, R, Y, N, N, A, A, A, L, T, A, Y, O, I, E, A, T, M, C, T, R, F, R, G, N, T, L, I, N, C, I, R, O, T, I, T, S, O, L, A, M, Y, I, E, E, O, O, I, L, T, F, V, N, A, C, A, T, S, O, A, M, O, T, E, R, T, L, I, O, H, V, R, I, F, D, I, N, A, A, A, H, T, N, N, N, A, O, T, N, R, E, O, S, R, N, O, M, I, P, R, C, T, G, O, A, Y, L, G, A, U, D, C, E, T, I, N, O, V, M, T, T, U, H, N, S, M, G, U, Y, I, S, N, X, C, O, P, C, U, A, U, N, I, P, I, I, T, Y, B, C, D, F, H, E, O, N, M, E, O, X, O, I, T, O, G, R, M, D, M, L, A, V, D, S, D, C, X, S, Y, E, O, C, Y, X, A, I, U, M, A, U, R, D, L

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OUTPATIENT
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Find the words hidden vertically, horizontally & diagonally throughout the puzzle.

## HEALTHY LIVING

## If I had known I would live this long ...

I would have taken better care of my bones. Bone mass peaks in the early 30s. After that, everyone begins losing bone (osteoporosis). This makes the bones more vulnerable to fractures especially in the vertebrae (bone building blocks of the spine), the wrist and hip.

Women start losing bone mass earlier and lose 30-50 percent of their bone mass. Men start losing bone later and, on average, have larger bones. As a result, they lose about 20-30 percent of their total mass. In 2005 \$19 billion was spent on treating osteoporotic fractures.

Compression fractures (squashing the bone) in either the last vertebra "fixed" in place by the rib or the first of the unconstrained vertebra of the lower back were called "grandma" fractures. As men are living past 80 when the bone loss in men catches up with that in women, grandpa is starting to have the same problem.

One third of men with hip fractures and one in five women will die within one year of



GUEST COLUMN

Dr. Diana Carr

hip fracture. After a hip fracture, only one third of patients will return to pre-injury function. Many will not be able to return to independent living.

Heredity, smoking, excessive alcohol intake, some drugs especially steroids and inactivity are all risk factors. Vitamin D and calcium deficiencies are common as people eat out more. The current recommended daily amount of calcium is 1,000-1,200 units and for vitamin D is 400-800 units. Milk, even low fat milk has both calcium and vitamin D.

The best predictor of sufficient bone to prevent fracture is a significant fall without a fracture in your hip, wrist or vertebra. Since this "testing" method has obvious drawbacks, DEXA scanning



Metro

The longer you live, the more bone you lose, which makes you more likely to suffer a fracture.

is preferred. It is recommended for women over 50 and men over 65. For those with risk factors, scanning may be started at a younger age.

A quick screening test you can do yourself is to subtract your age from your weight in kilograms and divide by five. Women

with a score of less than 2 and men with a score of less than 4 are considered at risk.

What can you do to decrease your fracture risk? Make sure you get enough calcium and vitamin D in your diet. Stop smoking. (This is easier said than done but will do many other good things for your

overall health). Start doing regular weight-bearing exercise (think walking). This is also good for your heart and your weight.

If these are not enough then you may want to talk to your doctor about bone strengthening drugs. Most of these work by slowing the work of

the bone clean up cells (osteoclasts) to remove dead bone. There is also one that works by increasing bone formation.

You can also help your children and grandchildren by encouraging healthy diet and exercise habits to build a bigger bone mass. It is also far easier not to start smoking than it is to stop. Our Dad always told us that we did not have to worry about the long-term effect of smoking as he would just kill us now. None of my siblings smoke so I guess it worked!

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## FOUR STUDENTS RECEIVE SONNI FAMILY FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP

Soon-to-be high school graduates Juan Patino, Tamara Stokes, Jessie Sanders and Jessica Sturgill are recipients of the annual Sonni Family Foundation Scholarship. After four years of hard work and dedication, the seniors will be on their way to college with the help of longtime community business owners and philanthropists Ashok and Rajeswarl Sonni.

The Sonni's built a successful medical practice from the ground up. Dr. Rajeswari was an early pediatrician and neonatologist in Highlands County while her physician husband Ashok Sonni was an Orthopedic Surgeon when they landed here 32 years ago. They have never forgotten their own humble beginnings in India and the help they received from others when they needed it most.

"We have been a part of this community for many years. We just want to give back a small portion of what we received both in



India and here in United States. We want to be active in the community in a positive way" Sonni said. The Sonni's have long been supporters of local organizations such as the Children's Advocacy Center and similar agencies and work closely with South

Florida State College for a number of things. Education is a big part of what makes the Sonni Family Foundation work. "The purpose of this scholarship is to help a student complete college and earn a bachelor's degree by establishing a safety net for those who might otherwise fall through the cracks in our present system" said Sonni.

Four years ago, we started this and they currently have six students that are still receiving scholarship funds." This year's recipients from Avon Park, Juan Patino and Tamara Stokes are two of only six applicants to apply for the scholarship at the high school. Of the nearly 30 applicants graduating from Sebring High School, the Sonni Family Foundation chose only Jessica Sturgill. Lake Placid's recipient Jessie Sanders was one of 20 applicants from the high school.

Each of the students will receive a total of \$16,000 each spread out over four years to complete their educations. Each semester the money will be given to either the student or the institution they are attending in monthly installments. Patino, Stokes, Sturgill and

Sanders must all maintain a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 in order to keep their scholarships. Recipients must attend an in-state community /state college or a public university and should take enough credit courses to qualify as a full time student. Whereas there no required courses to be under taken by the recipients, we do want them to get a college degree at the end of four years in order to qualify for the scholarship.



The Foundation, which was established over a decade ago has made continuing to support the community as their top priority. "Both my children are Sebring High School graduates. They've gone on to complete their higher studies as Doctor and Banker and both are very successful. They whole heartedly subscribe to the notion that we have to continue to support the community where they came from and where they got a great education from.

This is something that we will always continue to do as a family as long as we have the resources" said Sonni. The Sonni Family Foundation pays out these scholarships through a generous donation made by Ashok and Rajeswari Sonni.

This year's recipient Patino will attend the University of Central Florida following graduation. Stokes has planned to attend South Florida State College. Sanders will attend Barnett Honors College at the University of Central Florida. Sturgill will attend South Florida State College. Brittany Taylor Wentland, Jessica Leitch, Alexandra Torres, Donovan White, Alexis Harris and Allison Mann are the six current college students still receiving funds from the Sonni Family Foundation.

The 2013-2014 school year marks the first year the Sonni Family Foundation has awarded four Scholarships to deserving students in the county.



# HEALTHY LIVING

## How to keep yourself from fainting spells

**Dear Pharmacist:** I've been fainting (or almost fainting) several times a year for the last six years, and no one has been able to figure out why. I've done every scan on my brain and arteries, and everything is normal. I take two blood pressure medications, something for depression and thyroid. What can you say to someone prone to fainting?

- B.W., Silver Springs



**DEAR PHARMACIST**  
Suzy Cohen

yanks too much, you could pass out.

Same thing can happen if you reduce blood pressure too quickly, if you bear down for bowel movements, or if you vomit or have chronic diarrhea.

So eat slowly, and nurture your digestive tract by eating well, taking probiotics and avoiding food triggers. Check your blood pressure routinely, your medication dose may be too high, or the combination of your two drugs could be triggering this.

The vagus nerve is a touchy little nerve that could be infected. I truly believe most people carry pathogens in their body that attack the vagus nerve, and you don't even know it. Images don't show these bugs on MRIs, MRAs, CT or CTA scans.

Definitely avoid dehydration. Too little water in your bloodstream lowers your blood pressure (plus you take medicine), and this stimulates the vagus nerve causing

dizziness and fainting. Living in hot climates can make this worse. So can anxiety, like the sight of blood or shocking news. Drinking alcohol or taking certain drugs, even prescription drugs, can cause blood vessel relaxation and dehydration which cause fainting. Diuretics like HCTZ, furosemide or natural diuretics can make the lights go out in your brain!

Other medications that make you more prone to fainting include nitrates for angina, stimulants for attention-deficit, heart drugs and all the blood pressure medications.

A condition called "carotid sinus hypersensitivity" occurs in elderly men and the slightest rubbing to a certain area of the neck can make you drop. Doctors don't usually look for this. Heart disease, anemia and hypothyroidism are other common causes for fainting.

More on that at my new website, [www.TheThyroidSummit.com](http://www.TheThyroidSummit.com).

Bottom line is to keep exploring why the blood drains from your brain so quickly and don't resign yourself to living with this.

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

## Cohen hosting Thyroid Summit June 2-9

Special to the News-Sun

Suzy Cohen, author of Dear Pharmacist, a popular column in the News-Sun, is hosting a worldwide event, broadcasting it via the Internet.

The Thyroid Summit, a free online event, will be available for viewing from June 2-9.

The Thyroid Summit brings together more than 30 of the world's leading authorities on thyroid wellness.

You don't have to fly anywhere. You don't have to wait in long lines. You don't have to watch from the back of a room. You don't have to spend another dime to hear what the experts have to say. It's all free!

There will be a different speaker at midnight each day during this week-long summit.

The public can tune

in every day for seven life-changing days.

The topics covered are broad, as in weight, depression, anxiety, heart, blood pressure, hair loss, libido, etc. Some of the topics include:

- Why conventional medicine has failed most thyroid patients
- What are the best lab tests to order

■ Which blood test you don't need

■ Why you're always the coldest one in the room

■ What are the best ranges for certain blood tests (because your lab "normals" are not ideal)

To "save a seat" go to [www.TheThyroidSummit.com](http://www.TheThyroidSummit.com) and sign up any time during the week.

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# RELIGION

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### ANGLICAN

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

### ASSEMBLY OF GOD

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

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

### BAPTIST

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

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

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

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

**First Baptist Church of Avon Park**, N. Lake Ave., Avon Park, FL - 453-6681. Rev. Jon Beck, pastor; Rev. Johnattan Soltero, Hispanic pastor; Joy Loomis, director of music. Sunday - Sunday school, 9:30 a.m.; Worship, 10:45 a.m.; Children's Church, 10:45 a.m.; Youth Choir, 4:30 p.m.; Evening Worship, 6 p.m. Nursery provided for both services. Wednesday - Wednesday Night Supper, 5:15 p.m.; Children's Choir, 5:45 p.m.; Youth Activities, 6 p.m.; Prayer Meeting/Bible Study, 6 p.m.; Worship Choir Practice, 6 p.m.; Mission Programs for Children, 6:45 p.m. Hispanic Services: Sunday school at 9:30 a.m., worship service at 11 a.m. Wednesday Bible study at 7 p.m. To watch services online, go to the website at www.fbcp.net. "In the heart of Avon Park, for the hearts of Avon Park."

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

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

**First Baptist Church of Lorida** located right on U.S. 98 in Lorida. Sunday School begins at 9:45 a.m. for all ages.

Sunday worship services are at 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. Preschool care is provided at the 11 a.m. worship service. Wednesday evening Bible Study and Prayer meeting is at 6:30 p.m., followed by adult choir rehearsal. From September the AWANA groups meet. First Lorida is the "Place to discover God's love." For more information about the church or the ministries offered, call 655-1878.

**First Baptist Church, Sebring**, 200 E. Center Ave., Sebring, FL 33870. Telephone: 385-5154. Rev. Matthew D. Crawford, senior pastor; Rev. Nuno Norberto, associate pastor, minister of music and senior adults; and Dixie Kreulen, preschool director. Group Bible Studies, 9:15 a.m.; Blended Service, 10:30 a.m.; 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 Arbutle Creek Road.) Sunday School, 9 a.m.; Morning Worship, 10:15 a.m.; Evening Service, 6 p.m. Mid-week service, Wednesday, 6 p.m. Daily Prayer and Bible Study, 8 a.m., Hamman Hall. Pastor Gerald Webber and Associate Pastors Don Messenger and Ted Ertle. Phone 382-4301.

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

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

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

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

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

### CATHOLIC

**Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church**, 595 E. Main St., Avon Park, 453-4757. Father Nicholas McLoughlin, pastor. 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@st-cathe.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; Deacons, Rev. Mr. James R. McGarry and Rev. Mr. Max M. Severe. WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE: Saturday: - 4 p.m.; Sunday - 8 and 10 a.m., 12 p.m. (Spanish), 5 p.m. (Holy Family Youth Center), every third Sunday of the month at 2 p.m. (French Mass). Daily Mass: Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. and 12 p.m. Saturday at 9 a.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation: 7:15-7:45 a.m. first Friday, 2:30-3:15 p.m. Saturday and 9-9:45 a.m. Sunday. Office Hours: 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Monday-Friday.

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

### CHRISTIAN

**Cornerstone Christian Church**, (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. Sunday Worship, 9:30 a.m.; Sunday School, 11 a.m.; Wednesday night meals, 5:30 p.m. followed by classes at 6:30 p.m. Alzheimers Caregivers Support Group meets at 1 p.m. Thursdays. Phone 382-6676.

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

### CHRISTIAN & MISSIONARY ALLIANCE

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

### CHURCH OF BRETHREN

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

### CHURCH OF CHRIST

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

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

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

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

### CHURCH OF GOD

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

### CHURCH OF NAZARENE

**First Church of the Nazarene of Avon Park**, P.O. Box 1118., Avon Park, FL 33825-1118. 707 W. Main St. Sunday: Sunday school begins at 9:45 a.m. for all ages; morning worship at 10:45 a.m.; and evening service at 6 p.m. Wednesday evening service is at 7 p.m.

with special services for children and adults. If you need any more information, call 453-4851.

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

### CHURCHES OF CHRIST IN CHRISTIAN UNION

**Community Bible Church - Churches of Christ in Christian Union**, (Orange Blossom Conference Center) 1400 C-17A North (truck route), Avon Park. Presenting Jesus Christ as the answer for time and eternity. Sunday morning worship service, 10:30 a.m. Nursery provided. Junior Church activities at same time for K-6 grade. Sunday School Bible hour (all ages), 9:30 a.m. (Transportation available.) Sunday evening praise and worship service, 6 p.m. Wednesday evening prayer service, 7 p.m. Children and youth activities at 7 p.m. Wednesday. Everyone is welcome, please come worship with us. Tom Schwankweiler, Pastor. Phone 453-6052.

### EPISCOPAL

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

**St. Agnes Episcopal Church**, 3840 Lakeview Drive, Sebring, FL 33870. Father Scott Walker. Sunday Services: Holy Eucharist Rite I - 7:30 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: Sunday, 8 a.m., 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. Sunday Bible study at 9:15 a.m. Sunday School at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday Worship 6 p.m. and Thursday 9 a.m. Holy Communion with Healing. Call the thrift store for hours open - 699-0221.

### EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH OF AMERICA

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

### GRACE BRETHERN

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

### INDEPENDENT

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

### INTERDENOMINATIONAL

**World Harvest and Restoration Ministries**, (non-denominational) 2200 N. Avon Blvd., (non-denominational) 2200 N. Avon Blvd., Avon Park, FL 33825. Phone: 452-9777 or 453-3771. Sunday service: Sunday School, 10 a.m. and worship, 11 a.m. Wednesday services: 7 p.m. prayer meeting/Bible study. Pastor: W.H. Rogers.

### LUTHERAN

**Atonement Lutheran Church (ELCA)**, 1178 S.E. Lakeview Drive., Se-

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

**Christ Lutheran Church Avon Park - LCMS**, 1320 County Road 64, 1/2 mile east of Avon Park High School past the four-way stop sign. Sunday Divine Worship is at 10 a.m. Holy Communion is celebrated every week with traditional Lutheran Liturgy, hymns and songs of praise. Fellowship time with coffee and refreshments follows worship. Come worship and fellowship with us. For information call Pastor Scott McLean at (863) 471-2663 or see christlutheranavonpark.org.

**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 Wednesday evening during Advent and Lent. Call church office at 465-5253 or visit the website at www.Trinitylutheranlp.com. Other activities and groups include: Choir; Ladies Guild and LWML; Men's Fellowship Group, Small Group Bible Studies; Trinity Tots Pre-school, and Youth Group.

### NON-DENOMINATIONAL

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

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

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

**Crossroads of Life**, 148 E. Interlake

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# RELIGION

## PLACES TO WORSHIP

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

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

**Grace Bible Church**, 4541 Thunderbird Road, (second church on left) Sebring, FL 33872. Phone, 382-1085. Dustin Woods, lead pastor. Saturday Worship, 6:30 p.m. Sunday, 9 and 11 a.m. Monday, 5:30-7:30 p.m.; Wednesday, Children's & Youth Programs, 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 8:30 p.m., College Ministry. www.GBCconnected.org

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

**New Beginnings Church of Sebring**, worshipping at The Morris Chapel, 307 S. Commerce Ave., Sebring, FL 33870. Pastor Gary Kindle. Bible study every Sunday, 9 a.m. Blended Church Service, 10:15 a.m. Phone (863) 835-2405. newbeginningschurchofsebring.com Begin your week with us.

**The Lord's Sentinel Fellowship Church**, 148 E. Interlake Blvd., Lake Placid (at Lake Placid Christian School), Pastor Juanita Folsom. Sunday morning service, 10:30 a.m.; Monday, Sentinel School of Theology, 7 p.m.; Church service, Tuesday, 7 p.m. More information at www.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.cpc-sebring.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. Tuesday: Youth Groups meet for devotions/Bible study, crafts, sport activities and dinner. Middle and high school, 3:30-6:30 p.m. Elementary School, 4-5:30 p.m. Wednesday: Adult Bible Study, 10:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal, 5:30 p.m. A nursery is available during worship. Call the church office for more information and other classes.

**Spring Lake Presbyterian Church (USA)**, 5887 U.S. 98, Sebring, FL 33876. Sunday School, 8:30 a.m.; Worship Service, 10 a.m. Nursery available. Session meets at 7 p.m. the second Tuesday of the month, September through June. Board of Deacon's meet at 5:30 p.m. first Monday of the month. Choir rehearsals at 7 p.m. each Wednesday. Adult Bible study is Tuesdays at 11 a.m. Pastors: John and Harriet Davis. Organist: Richard Wedig. Choir Director: Suzan Wedig. Church phone, 655-0713; e-mail, springlakepc@embarqmail.com, Web site, http://slpc.embarqspace.com.

## SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST

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

**Sebring Seventh-Day Adventist Church**, 2106 N. State Road 17, Sebring: 385-2438. Worship Services: 9:15 a.m. Worship hour, 11 a.m. Prayer meeting, Tuesday, 7:15 p.m. Community service: every Monday 9-11 a.m. Health Seminar with Dr. Seralde, every Friday, 10:00 a.m. Pastor Nathan Madrid.

## THE CHURCH OF LATTER DAY SAINTS

**The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints**, 3235 Grand Prix Dr., Sebring, FL 33872; (863) 382-9092 Steve Austin, Bishop; Mark Swift, 1st Counselor; Del Murphy, 2nd Counselor. Family History Center (863) 382-1822. Sunday Services: Sacrament Meeting, 10-11:10 a.m.; Gospel Doctrine, 11:20 a.m. to noon; Priesthood/Relief Society, 12:10-1p.m.; Primary for children, 11:15 a.m. to 1 p.m.; Youth Activities: Wednesdays, 7-8:20 p.m. Scouts: first and third Wednesday, 7-8:20 p.m. Activity Days: 8-11 yr old Boys and Girls, second and fourth Wednesdays, 7-8:20 p.m.

## THE SALVATION ARMY

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

## UNITED METHODIST

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

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

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

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

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

## UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

**Emmanuel United Church of Christ**, Jesus didn't reject people, neither do we. Join us for worship every Sunday at 9:30 a.m. and you'll be embraced by a compassionate congregation that is all-inclusive. We're at the corner of Hammock and Hope. Choir and Bell Choir practice on Wednesday; Bible studies throughout the week. 471-1999; sebringemmanuelucc.com.

# Comparative religion — the origin of the priest

Even a casual reader/student of the Bible recognizes the division of the Old Testament and New Testament and their many differences.

One of the most evident difference is seen in the priest and priesthood. A Biblical and historical understanding of this matter is essential in understanding the gospel of Christ and the blood purchased church of Christ and the blessings therein.

The patriarchs (Noah, Abraham, Job, Isaac, Jacob, etc.) performed priestly acts in their capacity as fathers of the family or heads of clans.

From the beginning, priesthood with its acts of worship was thus recognized as a Divinely instituted office. But in pre-Mosaic times there was no special class of priest recognized. Priestly succession in a single family was established by the authority of God through Moses in Exodus 28:1-3.

From this time onward the priesthood (priest and high priest) of Israel was confined to the family of Aaron. All of these served as a shadow of the real that was to come: "Therefore, if perfection were through the Levitical priesthood (for under it the people received the law), what further need was there that another priest should rise according to the order of Melchizedek, and not be called according to the order of Aaron? For when the priesthood is changed, of necessity there

## Monday Night of Prophecy June 2

SEBRING — Pastor Reinhold Buxbaum from The Church of the Way at 1005 N. Ridgewood Dr., Sebring will present the monthly Monday night prophecy at Homer's Restaurant at 6:30 p.m. on June 2.

He takes the current events happening around the world, especially the Middle East and relates them to biblical prophecy. You may come early and treat yourself to a meal beforehand if you wish.

## VBS set at First Baptist of Lake Placid

LAKE PLACID — First Baptist Church of Lake Placid at 119 East Royal Palm St. will host Vacation Bible School June 9-13.

The theme is "Weird Animals-- Where Jesus' Love Is

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takes place a change of law also" (Hebrews 7:11,12).

The Hebrew letter, an inspired treatise expounding the superiority of the gospel of Christ in a point to point comparison to the law, clearly portrays Jesus as the High Priest. (2:17; 3:1; 6:20; 8:1) This position of Jesus, Messiah, Christ is shared with no man: "Seeing then that we have a great High Priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession, for we do not have a High Priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but was in all points tempted as we are, yet without sin" (Hebrews 4:14,15).

This profound truth is repeated in 1 Timothy 2:5,6: "For there is one God, and one mediator also between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, who gave Himself as a ransom for all, the testimony given at the proper time."

The doctrines and councils of men have introduced the concept that Mary, the mother of Jesus, and "saints" are intercessors also. This is supposed to be supported by James 5:16: "Therefore, confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another so that you may be healed.

The effective prayer of a righteous man can accomplish much." The claim is that Mary was sinless (no such

Biblical doctrine) and therefore her prayers are more powerful. Righteous does not mean sinless as proved by the context and the example of Elijah in verses 17,18 where he is described as a man with a nature like ours! Praying to statutes of Mary or any person has their origin in man and not Revelation! Paul's sermon in Athens (Acts 17:23-31) carries the same message and warning as Jehovah's law to Israel, "You shall have no others gods before Me" (Exodus 20:3).

Let us hear the conclusion of the matter: "For it was fitting for us to have such a high priest, holy, innocent, undefiled, separated from sinners and exalted above the heavens; who does not need daily, like those high priests, to offer up sacrifices, first for His own sins and then for the sins of the people, because this He did once for all when He offered up Himself" (Hebrews 7:26,27).

The one and only Advocate is clearly identified: "My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. And if anyone sins, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and He Himself is the propitiation for our sins; and not for our sins only, but also for those of the whole world" (1 John 2:1,2). Amen!!

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One-of-a-Kind."

It will be open for children age 4 (Pre-K) through fifth grade and will be from 9 a.m. until noon.

Pre-register online at www.fbclp.com or call 465-3721.

## VBS set at LP Memorial United Methodist

LAKE PLACID — Wilderness Express Vacation Bible School at Memorial United Methodist Church starts Sunday, June 15 until Thursday, June 19 from 5:30-8 p.m. Dinner is provided for all students.

The students will explore what life was like for the ancient Israelites. They've escaped slavery in Egypt but now what? There will be music, craft projects in the Israelite camp, visits with

Moses, dinner, and much more.

VBS is available to all students entering kindergarten up to students entering sixth grade. Memorial is located at 500 Kent Ave. in Lake Placid.

To register visit www.memorialumc.com or visit the church office at 436 Kent Ave For more information, call 863-465-2422

## VBS set at Sebring Christian

SEBRING — Sebring Christian Church, 4514 Hammock Road, will host Vacation Bible School June 8-13.

The theme is "Weird Animals: Where Jesus' Love is One of a Kind." There will be amazing experiments, untamed games, incredible music and lip-smacking snacks.

It will be held from 6-8:30 p.m. each day and is open to K3 through fifth grade.

Call 382-6676.

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## Avon Park Christian Church

AVON PARK — Pastor Greg Ratliff will be bringing sermon No. 4 of the “God is NOT Dead” sermon series on Sunday. Pastor Greg’s sermon, “Make A Choice,” will look at the scripture from Joshua 24:15. Pastor Greg will be asking you to “make a belief choice now and stand firm on your choice no matter what anyone says.”

Wednesday evening at 6 PM we have Bible Studies for all ages. We hope you can join us for learning, fellowship and fun!

Avon Park Christian Church is at 1016 W. Camphor (behind the Wells Fargo Bank). Call 453-5334 or email avonparkchristian-church@yahoo.com.

## Christian Training Church

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

## Faith Lutheran Church

SEBRING — Sunday, the church celebrates The Seventh Sunday of Easter. Guest Pastor Tony Douches will deliver his sermon based on the days readings, “Beyond Belief: Exploring the Character of God”.

The first study is God’s holiness at 1 p.m. Thursday.

For more information on any event, check the Facebook page: www.facebook.com/FaithLutheranSebring

## First Baptist Church of Lake Josephine

SEBRING — Sunday will be a special ‘favorite’ Sunday service! By popular vote of the congregation, Pastor Kevin Ahrens will preach on the most ‘favorite’ sermon topic. The congregation will hear the most ‘favorite’ scripture, sing the most ‘favorite’ songs, and listen to its most ‘favorite’ singer.

Coming soon will be Vacation Bible School Preregistration Day. From 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, June 14 kids will enjoy a huge ‘gyn-animous’ water slide. There’ll be crafts, snacks and fun as kids pre-register for VBS, which begins Sunday, June 22. Kids, just wear a bathing suit and a t-shirt, bring a towel and join the fun!

First Baptist Lake Josephine is at 111 Lake Josephine Drive in Sebring, halfway between Sebring and Lake Placid. For more

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### CHURCH SERVICES

information, call (863) 655-1524.

## First Christian Church of Sebring Disciples of Christ

SEBRING — Sunday’s message is from 1 King 17: 12-14, “The Widow of Zarephath” by Pastor Ron Norton.

Greeting the congregation will be Johnny Kelly. Elders are Sandra Laufer and Linda Ellis.

The church is at 510 Poinsettia Ave. Call (863) 385-0352.

## First Presbyterian Church of Avon Park

AVON PARK — On Sunday, Pastor Bob Johnson’s sermon is titled “A Wise and Understanding People”, based on Deuteronomy 4:1-10.

Members are asked to bring non-perishables for the Church Service Center.

Special music will be by organist Cheryl Sanders, playing “Moment by Moment” on the piano.

The adult Sunday School class will be on furlough from June 1 until Sept. 7.

Installation of Women’s Ministries officers will take place during the morning worship service.

On June 7, there will be no quarterly luncheon. The Youth Group will travel to Myakka State Park for a fun day.

The church is at 215 E. Circle St. (with two entrances on Lagrand Street). Call the church at (863) 453-3242 or check out the website at avonparkapchurch or check out the Avon Park Chamber website.

## Grace Pointe Ministries

SEBRING — Grace Pointe Ministries meets at 200 Lark Ave., Sebring Hills Association Clubhouse. Sunday morning Worship Experience celebrates Pentecost Sunday.

The Tuesday Home Bible Study series continues in “Messiah: Shadow to Image”.

Call the church office for location and directions at (863) 658-2534.

The 2014 Florida Camp Meeting will be from June 9-13 at Lake Wimauma Convention Center/Campground. Call (813) 620-3366, ext. 119 for service times and speakers.

## Heartland Christian Church

SEBRING — Pastor Ted Moore’s sermon this week will be “On Fearing God” with scripture from

Proverbs 9:10.

The service will include specials by Bev Nuske and Dave Nuske.

Bible study will resume in September.

The church is at 2705 Alternate Route 17 South in Sebring (behind Publix). Call (863) 314-9693.

## Independent Baptist Church

SEBRING — Sunday, Independent Baptist Church will celebrate its 30th anniversary. Former members and visitors are invited to be part of this special time of celebration. Former Pastor and present Evangelist Dr. John Hankins will speak.

Pastor Larry Ruse will kick off the Families By Faith Conference, preaching the Sunday evening service. The conference will continue at 7 p.m. Monday through Wednesday.

The church’s new logo will also be revealed during the Sunday morning service. The service will honor some of the long-standing members on this special anniversary.

The church is at 5704 County Road 17 South. Call (863) 655-1899 for information, or visit the website at ibcsebring@gmail.com.

## Memorial United Methodist Church

LAKE PLACID — Pastor Tim Haas will preach “Waiting for the Power” using Acts 1:6-14 at both services. Devotions to prepare for this sermon are available for download at www.memorialumc.com. Holy Communion will be served at both services.

Sunday is Promotion Sunday. Rising fourth-graders move to be a part of the 45 Zone Sunday School class. Also, rising sixth-graders become part of the youth group on Sunday mornings and are invited to come to the Lighthouse at 5 p.m. Sunday, June 8.

Coming soon, the Wilderness Express Vacation Bible School starts Sunday, June 15 until Thursday, June 19 from 5:30-8 p.m. Dinner is provided for all students.

The students will explore what life was like for the ancient Israelites. They’ve escaped slavery in Egypt but now what? There will be music, craft projects in the Israelite camp, visits with Moses, dinner, and much more.

## New Beginnings Church

SEBRING — On Sunday, Pastor Gary Kindle’s sermon is ti-

tled “A Prowling, Roaring Lion” based on 1 Peter 5: 6-11

The church’s present location is The Morris Chapel, 307 S. Commerce Ave. For more information, call (863) 835-2405.

## St. Agnes Episcopal Church

SEBRING — Sunday, the seventh Sunday of Easter, the Holy Eucharist. Morning Bible Study is at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday. On Thursday, there is an evening Bible Study with light dinner.

For more information about church activities, call the church office at (863) 385-7649.

## St. John United Methodist Church

SEBRING — Pastor Ronald De Genaro Jr. will bring the message, “The Real Lord’s Prayer”, with scripture reading from John 17:1-11 on Sunday.

Men’s Prayer and Fellowship Breakfast begins at 7:30 a.m. Wednesday in the fellowship hall.

## Sparta Road Baptist Church

SEBRING — Roger L. Jaudon, evangelist, will resume full-time evangelistic ministries beginning June 1. Jaudon has served, on an interim basis, as a supply preacher for Sparta Road Baptist Church for over the past year.

Sparta Road Baptist will introduce new speakers and continue in its effort to install a full-time interim pastor or a full-time pastor.

The church has served the Sparta Road community for over 20 years. It has recently celebrated its annual homecoming.

Jaudon, at the invitation of the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association, attended and participated in the Historic International Conference of Itinerant Evangelists held in Amsterdam, the Netherlands.

## Spring Lake Presbyterian Church

SEBRING — Copastors John and Harriet Davis, will offer communion on Sunday. The Sermon will be “Looking Up” along with Scripture from Acts 1:6-12.

Look for the big white cross on Highway 98. Fellowship with cookies, coffee and punch follows worship service.

Vacation Bible School will be June 9-13 from 8 a.m. to noon for K-third grade. This year will be “Weird Animals.” Call 655-0713 for information.

# The devil DID NOT make you do it!

There was once a preacher’s family who was very poor (hard to believe, huh?). The wife came home from shopping one day with a dress that was very expensive. In fact, it was simply more expensive than they could afford.

In an effort to justify her purchase, the wife told her husband that the temptation to have the dress was more than she could bear, so she bought it.

The preacher responded to his wife’s claim of overwhelming temptation by asking, “Did you tell Satan to get behind you?”

“As a matter of fact I did,” replied the wife, “and he said the dress looked marvelous from the back, as well.”

Many times, I wish that I could wave some sort of magic wand and do away with all of the temptations in my life. I know, without a doubt, that I want to do what is right, but I do not always make the right decisions. However, when I choose the wrong path, it is not because I cannot help it. Rather, it is because I give in to the temptation, instead of finding the way out that God promises to provide me.

1 Corinthians 10:13 reads, “No temptation has overtaken you but such as is common to man; and God is faithful, who will not allow you to be tempt-



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ed beyond what you are able, but with the temptation will provide the way of escape also, so that you will be able to endure it.” In other words, no temptation can overtake us, unless we allow it to happen. God always provides a way to escape sin and Satan.

The next time you hear someone say, “The devil made me do it,” realize that you are listening to an excuse given by a person who has made a bad choice but refuses to take responsibility for his actions.

When it comes right down to it, choosing to live the right way or the wrong way is just that — a choice. And, it is our choice to make.

So, which path will you choose? Make it the path to Heaven.

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# Less Southern Baptist members for 7th year

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — The nation’s largest Protestant denomination saw membership decline for the seventh straight year in 2013, according to an annual report released Wednesday.

The report by the Southern Baptist Convention’s publishing arm, Lifeway Christian Resources, puts total membership in the Nashville-based SBC at 15.7 million. That’s down from 15.9 million in 2012, a decrease of a little less than 1 percent.

Weekly church attendance decreased more than 2 percent last year, falling to 5.8 million as a weekly average for the year.

The report also notes a 1.5 percent decrease in the number of baptisms, falling to 310,368. Baptisms are an important measure for the denomination because of its strong commitment to evangelism.

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The convention has been concerned about the membership and baptism trends for several years. After 2012 saw a drop in baptisms of 5.5 percent, a task force was convened to study why. The group of pastors released their report earlier this month and recommendations included praying for a “spiritual awakening in our churches and our nation.”

Lifeway President and CEO Thom S. Rainer said in a news release about the 2013 declines, “I am grieved we are clearly losing our evangelistic effectiveness.”

David W. Key Sr., director of Baptist studies at Emory University’s Candler School of Theology, said the declines are not surprising. They mirror an overall decline in Protestant church membership.



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 (additional lines \$3 each)

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## LEGAL NOTICES

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA  
 JUVENILE DIVISION  
 CASE NO. JP14-000063-XX  
 IN THE INTEREST OF:  
 B., N. L.  
 Minor children DOB  
 SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF ADVISORY HEARING FOR TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS AND GUARDIANSHIP  
 THE STATE OF FLORIDA TO: COURTNEY KAY CROYLE  
 DOB: 02/11/1992  
 Address Unknown and  
 ZACHARY TYLER BROWN  
 DOB: 11/09/1991  
 Address Unknown

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a Petition for Termination of Parental Rights under oath has been filed in the above-styled Court by the Department of Children & Families, seeking the termination of your parental rights to:  
 N. L. B.  
 a white female child  
 born 02/24/2010  
 and you are hereby commanded to personally appear before the Honorable Sheryl D. Snodgrass, a Magistrate/hearing officer in the Juvenile Division of the Circuit Court in and for Highlands County, State of Florida, on the 11th day of June, 2014 at 10:00 A.M., at the Highlands County Courthouse, 430 South Commerce Avenue, Sebring, Florida, Courtroom 1A. YOU MUST PERSONALLY APPEAR ON THE DAY AND TIME SPECIFIED OR YOU WILL LOSE ALL RIGHTS AS A PARENT TO THE CHILD NAMED IN THE PETITION. YOUR FAILURE TO PERSONALLY APPEAR WILL BE DEEMED TO BE YOUR CONSENT TO THE TERMINATION OF YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS TO THE CHILDREN NAMED IN THE PETITION.  
 YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO HAVE AN ATTORNEY REPRESENT YOU IN THIS MATTER. IF YOU CANNOT AFFORD AN ATTORNEY, YOU MUST BE PRESENT AND REQUEST THAT THE COURT APPOINT AN ATTORNEY FOR YOU IF YOU WANT ONE.  
 In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons with disabilities needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact the individual or agency sending the notice at 1968 Sebring Parkway, Sebring, FL 33870, Telephone: (863)402-7722, not later than seven (7) days prior to the proceeding. If hearing impaired, (TDD) 1-800-955-8771, or voice (V) 1-800-955-8770, via Florida Relay Service. ROBERT W. GERMAINE, CLERK  
 By: /s/ Anita Reiley  
 Deputy Clerk  
 DATED THIS 6TH DAY OF MAY, 2014.  
 ROBERT W. GERMAINE, CLERK  
 (Clerk's Seal)  
 May 16, 23, 30; June 6, 2014

### NOTICE OF ACTION 16

THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 9, PAGE 12, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA, TOGETHER WITH 1979 JACOBSON MOBILE HOME HAVE ID# 3C5640A AND 3C5640B.  
 has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on counsel for Plaintiff, whose address is 6409 Congress Avenue, Suite 100, Boca Raton, Florida 33487 on or before June 4, 2014 (30 days from Date of First Publication of this Notice) and file the original with the clerk of this court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint or petition filed herein. WITNESS my hand and the seal of this Court at Highlands County, Florida, this 9th day of May, 2014.  
 CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT  
 BY: /s/ Priscilla Michalak  
 DEPUTY CLERK  
 14-41140  
 May 30; June 6, 2014

Century Storage - Bayview  
 2609 Bayview Street  
 Sebring, FL 33870  
 (863) 386-0880

Notice of this Public Sale or Auction of the contents of the following storage units located at Century Storage-Bayview 2609 Bayview Street, Sebring, FL 3387 on 6/13/2014 at 11:00am. Contents are to contain Household Goods/Business Items unless otherwise specified

Unit Number	Tenant Name
AA005	Beharie, Melissa
E324	Packer, Marquittisha
F424	Washburn, Howard

May 30; June 6, 2014

### Classified = Sales

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY  
 Case No.: GCS 14-182  
 Judge: Estrada

JUAN OSCAR GONZALES and MATILDE PENELOPE GONZALES, Husband and Wife (Plaintiff)  
 vs.  
 NATIONAL LOTS, Inc., a Florida Corporation, ANDREW SESTA, and unknown spouse if Married, CARLOS CAMPANA and INEZ CAMPANA, Husband and Wife (Defendants)

NOTICE OF ACTION - PROPERTY TO: Inez Campana  
 2513 W. Chestnut Lane  
 Port St. Lucie, FL 34953

Andrew Sesta  
 2513 W. Chestnut Lane  
 Port St. Lucie, FL 34953

Carlos Campana  
 2513 W. Chestnut Lane  
 Port St. Lucie, FL 34953

Unknown Spouse of Andrew Sesta  
 2513 W. Chestnut Lane  
 Port St. Lucie, FL 34953

or if any of the aforesaid persons is dead, then his or her unknown heirs, devisees, legatees or grantees; and any and all other persons or parties claiming by, through, under or against them; and all claimants, persons or parties, natural or corporate, or whose exact legal status, if known, claiming under any of the above named or interest in and to the lands hereafter described.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an Action to Quiet Title for the following described property in Highlands County, Florida, to wit:  
 Lot 10, Block 13 of Sebring Hills South according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 8, Page 93, Public Records of Highlands County, Florida.  
 has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any to it, on the Plaintiff(s) attorney, whose name and address is: David F. Lanier, Esq., PO Box 400, Avon Park, Florida 33826-0400, an file the original with the Clerk to the above styled Court on or before July 2, 2014, otherwise a judgment may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.  
 WITNESS my hand and the seal of said Court on May 22, 2014.  
 ROBERT W. GERMAINE,  
 Clerk of Circuit Court  
 By: /s/ Priscilla Michalak  
 Deputy Clerk  
 May 30; June 6, 13, 20, 2014

### NOTICE OF ACTION 16

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION  
 CASE NO. 14000195GCAXMX  
 NOTICE OF ACTION - CONSTRUCTIVE SERVICE

TO: THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF BERTHA I. TRUSCOTT whose residence is unknown if he/she/they be living; and if he/she/they be dead, the unknown defendants who may be spouses, heirs, devisees, grantees, assignees, lienors, creditors, trustees, and all parties claiming an interest by, through, under or against the Defendants, who are not known to be dead or alive, and all parties having or claiming to have any right, title or interest in the property described in the mortgage being foreclosed herein.  
 YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose a mortgage on the following property:  
 LOT 16, FAIRMOUNT MOBILE ESTATES, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT

### NOTICE OF AUCTION 19

Notice is hereby given that Downtown Mini Storage LLC will sell at public auction at 195 S. Railroad Ave, Avon Park, Florida 33825 at 1:00 P.M. Saturday 7th June 2014 to the highest bidder.  
 Items held for Melanie C. Hamilton, washing machine, stereo, microwave, 2 coolers, tv, pots, coffee table, king bed, boxes & bags of unknown contents.  
 Items held for Sarah J. Locke, bb gun, sleeping bag, turkey fryer, gun case, table, suitcase, boxes of unknown contents.  
 Items held for Socha Lewis, 2 beds, crib, chair, nightstand, mirror, toys, boxes & bags of unknown contents.  
 May 30; June 1, 2014

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS 20

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION  
 FILE NO. PC 14-193  
 Probate Division

IN RE: ESTATE OF KAREN W. WARCHOL SHROYER, a/k/a KAREN WARCHOL 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 KAREN W. WARCHOL SHROYER, deceased, File Number PC 14-193, by the Circuit Court for HIGHLANDS County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 590 S. Commerce ave., Sebring, FL 33870; that the decedent's date of death was February 28, 2014; that the total value of the estate is \$7,900.00 and that the names and addresses of those to whom it has been assigned by such order are:  
 Name/Address  
 KEVIN H. MORAHAN  
 1022 Red Rock Canyon Drive  
 Katy, TX 77450-3719  
 ALL INTERESTED PERSONS ARE NOTIFIED THAT:

All creditors 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 May 30, 2014.

Person Giving Notice:  
 /s/ Kevin H. Morahan  
 1022 Red Rock Canyon Dr.  
 Kathy, TX 77450-3719

Attorney for Person Giving Notice  
 /s/ Pamela T. Karlson  
 Florida Bar Number: 0017957  
 301 Dal Hall Blvd.  
 Lake Placid, FL 33852  
 Telephone: (863) 465-5033  
 Fax: (863) 465-6022  
 E-Mail: pam@karlsonlaw.com  
 May 30; June 6, 2014

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION  
 File No. PC 14-143  
 Division

IN RE: ESTATE OF FRANCIS L. GERO Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS The administration of the estate of Francis L. Gero, deceased, whose date of death was October 31, 2013, is pending in the Circuit Court for Highlands County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 590 South Commerce Avenue, Sebring, FL 33870. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court ON OR BEFORE THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS 20

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 May 23, 2014.

Personal Representative:  
 Rebecca J. Fuller  
 Post Office Box 104  
 Port Kent, NY 12975

BREED & NUNNALLEE, P.A.  
 Attorneys for Personal Representative  
 325 NORTH COMMERCE AVENUE  
 SEBRING, FL 33870  
 By: /s/ E. Mark Breed III  
 E. MARK BREED III  
 Florida Bar No. 338702  
 May 23, 30, 2014

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION  
 File No. PC 14-181  
 Division

IN RE: ESTATE OF BARBARA L. GERO Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS The administration of the estate of Barbara L. Gero, deceased, whose date of death was November 2, 2013, is pending in the Circuit Court for Highlands County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 590 South Commerce Avenue, Sebring, FL 33870. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

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

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

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

The date of first publication of this notice is May 23, 2014.

Personal Representative:  
 Rebecca J. Fuller  
 Post Office Box 104  
 Port Kent, NY 12975

BREED & NUNNALLEE, P.A.  
 Attorneys for Personal Representative  
 325 NORTH COMMERCE AVENUE  
 SEBRING, FL 33870  
 By: /s/ E. Mark Breed III  
 E. MARK BREED III  
 Florida Bar No. 338702  
 May 23, 30, 2014

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION  
 File No. PC 14-183  
 Division

IN RE: ESTATE OF ERNEST M. BREED, JR. a/k/a ERNEST M. BREED a/k/a E.M. BREED Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS The administration of the estate of Ernest M. Breed, Jr., deceased, whose date of death was March 16, 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 other 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

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

The date of first publication of this notice is May 23, 2014.

Personal Representative:  
 E. Mark Breed III  
 325 North Commerce Avenue  
 Sebring, FL 33870-3206

BREED & NUNNALLEE, P.A.  
 Attorneys for Personal Representative  
 325 NORTH COMMERCE AVENUE  
 SEBRING, FL 33870  
 By: /s/ E. Mark Breed III  
 E. MARK BREED III  
 Florida Bar No. 338702  
 May 23, 30, 2014

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA  
 CIVIL DIVISION  
 CASE NO.: 2013CA000520  
**FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION, Plaintiff,**  
 vs.  
**ALEJANDRO LOPEZ; THE MERCADO ASSOCIATION, INC.; UNKNOWN TENANT #1; UNKNOWN TENANT #2; IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY, Defendants.**

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated the 29th day of April, 2014, and entered in Case No. 2013CA000520, of the Circuit Court of the 10TH Judicial Circuit in and for Highlands County, Florida, wherein FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION is the Plaintiff and ALEJANDRO LOPEZ; THE MERCADO ASSOCIATION, INC.; UNKNOWN TENANT #1; and UNKNOWN TENANT #2 N/K/A EJAJ CHOWDHURY 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 17th day of June, 2014, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit: LOT 25, BLOCK 250, SUN 'N LAKE ESTATES OF SEBRING UNIT 13, ACCORDING TO THE MAP OR PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 9, PAGE(S) 71, 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 participate in the court program or service.

Dated this 30th day of April, 2014.  
 ROBERT W. GERMAINE  
 Clerk Of The Circuit Court

### NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE 22

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA  
 CIVIL DIVISION  
 CASE NO.: 28-2009-CA-001607-A000XX  
**FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION, Plaintiff,**  
 vs.  
**CHRISTOF J. COOK; PAMELA V. COOK; UNKNOWN TENANT #1; UNKNOWN TENANT #2; DEFENDANT(S).**

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Summary Judgment of Foreclosure dated April 29, 2014, entered in Civil Case No.: 28-2009-CA-001607-A000XX of the Circuit Court of the Tenth Judicial Circuit in and for Highlands County, Florida, wherein FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION, Plaintiff, and CHRISTOF J. COOK; PAMELA V. COOK; are Defendants.

I will sell to the highest bidder for cash, in the Jury Assembly Room in the basement of the Highlands County Courthouse, 430 S. Commerce Avenue, Sebring, FL 33870, at 11:00 AM, on the 17th day of June, 2014, the following described real property as set forth in said Final Summary Judgment, to wit:  
 LOT 32, LAKE HUNTLEY ESTATES, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 5, PAGE 100, PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.  
 A/K/A: 119 DANBAR DR, LAKE PLACID, FL 33852

If you are a person claiming a right of funds remaining after the sale, you must file a claim with the clerk no later than 60 days after the sale. If you fail to file a claim you will not be entitled to any remaining funds. After 60 days, only the owner of record as of the date of the lis pendens may claim the surplus. WITNESS my hand and the seal of the court on April 30, 2014.  
 ROBERT W. GERMAINE  
 CLERK OF THE COURT (COURT SEAL)  
 By: /s/ Toni Kopp  
 Deputy Clerk  
 11-28370

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the Office of the Court Administrator, 255 North Broadway Avenue, Bartow, FL 33830, (863)534-4686, at least seven days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than seven days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

May 30; June 6, 2014

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA  
 CASE NO. 28-2012-CA-001145  
**BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING, LP, FKA COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING, LP, PLAINTIFF,**  
 vs.  
**DENISE R. BENOIT, ET AL. DEFENDANT(S).**

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated February 5, 2014, in the above action, I will sell to the highest bidder for cash at Highlands, Florida, on 11th day of June, 2014, at 11:00 AM, at Basement of courthouse in Jury Assembly Room - 430 S. Commerce Ave., Sebring, FL 33870 for the following described property:

LOT 28 AND THE SOUTH 1/2 OF LOT 29, BLOCK 30, OF LEISURE LAKES, SECTION FOUR, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 6, PAGE 29, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within sixty (60) days after the sale. The Court, in its discretion, may enlarge the time of the sale. Notice of the changed time and sale shall be

By: /s/ Toni Kopp  
 Deputy Clerk  
 11-20220  
 May 30; June 6, 2014

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA  
 CASE NO.:  
 28-2009-CA-001607-A000XX  
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**ALEJANDRO LOPEZ; THE MERCADO ASSOCIATION, INC.; UNKNOWN TENANT #1; UNKNOWN TENANT #2; IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY, Defendants.**

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated the 29th day of April, 2014, and entered in Case No. 2013CA000520, of the Circuit Court of the 10TH Judicial Circuit in and for Highlands County, Florida, wherein FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION is the Plaintiff and ALEJANDRO LOPEZ; THE MERCADO ASSOCIATION, INC.; UNKNOWN TENANT #1; and UNKNOWN TENANT #2 N/K/A EJAJ CHOWDHURY 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 17th day of June, 2014, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit: LOT 25, BLOCK 250, SUN 'N LAKE ESTATES OF SEBRING UNIT 13, ACCORDING TO THE MAP OR PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 9, PAGE(S) 71, 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

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published as provided herein.  
/s/ **Priscilla Michalak**  
Deputy Clerk of the Court  
May 23, 30, 2014

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA  
GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION  
CASE NO. **2010CA000600**

**PNC BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO NATIONAL CITY BANK SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO HARBOR FEDERAL SAVINGS BANK,** Plaintiff,  
vs.  
**BODHNARAIN HARPARSAD; BHARATI HARPARSAD; SWARESH HARPARSAD; PLACID LAKES AVIATION ESTATES HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.** Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated **April 29, 2014**, and entered in Case No. **2010CA000600** of the Circuit Court of the Tenth Judicial Circuit in and for Highlands County, Florida, wherein **PNC BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO NATIONAL CITY BANK SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO HARBOR FEDERAL SAVINGS BANK,** is the Plaintiff and **BODHNARAIN HARPARSAD; BHARATI HARPARSAD; SWARESH HARPARSAD; PLACID LAKES AVIATION ESTATES HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.** are the Defendant(s). Robert Germaine as Clerk of the Circuit Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, the Jury Assembly Room 430 S. Commerce Ave., Sebring, FL 33870, at 11:00 AM on **June 17, 2014**, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

**LOT 2, IN BLOCK 48, OF PLACID LAKES SECTION NINETEEN, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 9, PAGE 14, 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. Dated this **30th day of April, 2014**.

Robert Germaine  
As Clerk of the Court  
By: /s/ **Toni Kopp**  
As Deputy Clerk

**IMPORTANT**

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the Office of the Court Administrator, (863)534-4690, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; Notice of Foreclosure Sale; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call TDD (863)534-7777 or Florida Relay Service 711.

13-08574  
May 30, 2014

**NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE 22**

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA  
GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION  
CASE NO. **2008CA000644**

**NATIONAL CITY MORTGAGE,** Plaintiff,  
vs.  
**ARIEL PADRON, et al.** Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated **May 8, 2014**, and entered in Case No. **2008CA000644** of the Circuit Court of the Tenth Judicial Circuit in and for Highlands County, Florida, wherein **NATIONAL CITY MORTGAGE,** is the Plaintiff and **ARIEL PADRON; HELEN LASASSO; SPRING LAKE PROPERTY ASSOCIATION INC.; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF ARIEL PADRON NKA DAMARIS ROCUO; UNKNOWN TENANTS; FRANK LASASSO** are the Defendant(s). Robert Germaine as Clerk of the Circuit Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, the Jury Assembly Room 430 S. Commerce Ave., Sebring, FL 33870, at 11:00 AM on **June 10, 2014**, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

**LOT 9, BLOCK P, SPRING LAKE VILLAGE II, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 9, PAGE 43, 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. Dated this **9th day of May, 2014**.

Robert Germaine  
As Clerk of the Court  
By: /s/ **Toni Kopp**  
As Deputy Clerk

**IMPORTANT**

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the Office of the Court Administrator, (863)534-4690, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; Notice of Foreclosure Sale; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call TDD (863)534-7777 or Florida Relay Service 711.

13-20500  
May 23, 30, 2014

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**ALICE J. FRITTITTA; LIEBOLD, INC. D/B/A OWL CONSTRUCTION COMPANY; PLACID LAKES HOME AND PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.; ALICE J. FRITTITTA; LIEBOLD, INC. D/B/A OWL CONSTRUCTION COMPANY; PLACID LAKES HOME AND PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.; UNKNOWN TENANTS** are the Defendant(s). Robert Germaine as Clerk of the Circuit Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, the Jury Assembly Room 430 S. Commerce Ave., Sebring, FL 33870, at 11:00 AM on **June 17, 2014**, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

**LOT 1, BLOCK 37, PLACID LAKES SECTION NINETEEN, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 9, PAGE 14, 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. Dated this **24th day of April, 2014**.

Robert Germaine  
As Clerk of the Court  
By: /s/ **Toni Kopp**  
As Deputy Clerk

**IMPORTANT**

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the Office of the Court Administrator, (863)534-4690, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; Notice of Foreclosure Sale; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call TDD (863)534-7777 or Florida Relay Service 711.

13-20739  
May 30, June 6, 2014

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**WILLIAM R. BAUSERMAN, JR.** are the Defendant(s). Robert Germaine as Clerk of the Circuit Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, the Jury Assembly Room 430 S. Commerce Ave., Sebring, FL 33870, at 11:00 AM on **June 17, 2014**, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

**LOT NINETEEN (19), OF VALENCIA ACRES SUBDIVISION UNIT II, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 14, PAGE 74, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA TOGETHER WITH A MOBILE HOME, PERMANENTLY AFFIXED AND SITUATED THERETO, UPON THE REAL PROPERTY DESCRIBED ABOVE.**

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale. Dated this **24th day of April, 2014**.

Robert Germaine  
As Clerk of the Court  
By: /s/ **Toni Kopp**  
As Deputy Clerk

**IMPORTANT**

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the Office of the Court Administrator, (863)534-4690, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; Notice of Foreclosure Sale; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call TDD (863)534-7777 or Florida Relay Service 711.

13-22797  
May 30, June 6, 2014

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as set forth in said Final Summary Judgment, to wit:  
**THE NORTH 1/2 OF LOT 8, BLOCK 50, OF AVON PARK ESTATES UNIT 2, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 10, PAGE 22, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA. A/K/A: 2315 W HAMPTON RD, AVON PARK, FL 33825**

If you are a person claiming a right of funds remaining after the sale, you must file a claim with the clerk no later than 60 days after the sale. If you fail to file a claim you will not be entitled to any remaining funds. After 60 days, only the owner of record as of the date of the lis pendens may claim the surplus.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of the court on April 30, 2014.  
**ROBERT W. GERMAINE**  
CLERK OF THE COURT (COURT SEAL)  
By: /s/ **Toni Kopp**  
Deputy Clerk  
13-36624

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the Office of the Court Administrator, 255 North Broadway Avenue, Bartow, FL 33830, (863)534-4686, at least seven days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than seven days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

May 30, June 6, 2014

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA  
GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION  
CASE NO. **2011-CA-000712**

**OCWEN LOAN SERVICING, LLC,** Plaintiff,  
vs.  
**JAY CALE, et al.** Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated **May 7, 2014**, and entered in Case No. **2011-CA-000712** of the Circuit Court of the Tenth Judicial Circuit in and for Highlands County, Florida, wherein **OCWEN LOAN SERVICING, LLC** is the Plaintiff and **JAY CALE; UNKNOWN PARTIES IN POSSESSION #1** are the Defendant(s). Robert Germaine as Clerk of the Circuit Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, the Jury Assembly Room 430 S. Commerce Ave., Sebring, FL 33870, at 11:00 AM on **June 13, 2014**, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

**Exhibit "A"**  
**File Number: 07-1276**  
**Lot 16, Block C, FAIRWAY LAKES, as per plat thereof, recorded in Plat Book 12, Page 43, 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. Dated this **18th day of May, 2014**.

Robert Germaine  
As Clerk of the Court  
By: /s/ **Priscilla Michalak**

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As Deputy Clerk  
**IMPORTANT**  
If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the Office of the Court Administrator, (863)534-4690, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; Notice of Foreclosure Sale; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call TDD (863)534-7777 or Florida Relay Service 711.

**14-30427**  
May 30, June 6, 2014

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA  
CASE NO: **CA-10-000684**  
**BANK OF AMERICA, N.A.** Plaintiff,  
vs.  
**ESTATE OF PAUL THOMAS, ET AL.,** Defendants.

**AMENDED**  
**NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE**  
NOTICE is hereby given that the undersigned Clerk of the Circuit Court of Highlands County, Florida, will on the **9th day of June, 2014** at 11:00 o'clock A.M., at in the Jury Assembly Room in the basement of the Highlands County Courthouse located at 430 South Commerce Avenue, Sebring, Florida at 11:00 A.M., offer for sale and sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash, the following-described property situate in Highlands County, Florida:

**Lot 4 and a Portion of Lots 18 and 19, in Block 6, of VENETIAN VILLAGE (REVISED), according to the Plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 11, Page 12, of the Public Records of Highlands County, Florida, more particularly described as follows: BEGIN at the Northwest Corner of Lot 4, in Block 6; thence South 16 degrees 32 minutes 46 seconds East a distance of 101.0 feet; thence Easterly along the arc of a curve to the right having for its elements a central angle of 2 degrees 46 minutes 31 seconds and a radius of 999.0 feet a distance of 48.39 feet; thence North 13 degrees 46 minutes 15 seconds West a distance of 101.0 feet to the Southerly right of way line of Hillcrest Street; thence Westerly along the arc of a curve of the left having for its elements a central angle of 2 degrees 46 minutes 31 seconds and a radius of 1100.0 feet, a distance of 53.28 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING.**

pursuant to the Final Judgment entered in a case pending in said Court, the style to which is indicated above.

Any person or entity claiming an interest in the surplus, if any, resulting from the foreclosure sale, other than the property owner as of the date of the Lis Pendens, must file a claim on same with the Clerk of Court within 60 days after the foreclosure sale.

WITNESS my hand and official seal of said Court this **7th day of May, 2014**.

**AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT.** If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to

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participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the Office of the Court Administrator, 255 N. Broadway Avenue, Bartow, Florida 33830, (863)534-4686, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

ROBERT W. GERMAINE, CLERK CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT By: /s/ Toni Kopp Deputy Clerk B&H #281229 May 23, 30, 2014

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL ACTION CASE NO.: 28-2009-CA-000971 DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE ON BEHALF OF GSA HOME EQUITY TRUST 2006-16, Plaintiff, vs. MARSHAS MYRTHIL, et al, Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF RESCHEDULED FORECLOSURE SALE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order Rescheduling Foreclosure Sale dated May 15, 2014 and entered in Case No. 28-2009-CA-000971 of the Circuit Court of the Tenth Judicial Circuit in and for Highlands County, Florida wherein BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., SUCCESSOR BY MEGER TO BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING, LP FKA COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING, LP, is the Plaintiff and MARSHAS MYRTHIL; THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF MARSHAS MYRTHIL; 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, GRANTEEES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS; TENANT #1 N/K/A JERRY VANWY; TENANT #2 N/K/A JENNIFER VANWY; TENANT #3 N/K/A SERGIO CHAVEZ are the Defendants. The Clerk of the Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at JURY ASSEMBLY ROOM IN THE BASEMENT OF THE HIGHLANDS COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 430 SOUTH COMMERCE AVENUE AT 11:00AM, on the 18th day of June, 2014, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment: LOT 15, IN BLOCK 1, OF ALTA-MOOR PLACE ADDITION NO. 2, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 10, PAGE 45, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA. A/K/A 2211-2215 MELADY AVENUE, SEBRING, FL 33870 Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the Lis Pendens must file a claim within sixty (60) days after the sale.

WITNESS MY HAND and the seal of this Court on May 15, 2014. Robert W. Germaine Clerk of the Circuit Court By: /s/ Toni Kopp Deputy Clerk F09055290 NATIONSTAR-CONV B/C- hpullen-Team 4-F09055290 \*\*See Americans with Disabilities Act If you are a person with a disability who needs assistance in order to participate in a program or service of the State Courts System, you should contact the Office of the Court Administrator at (863) 534-4686 (voice), (863) 534-7777 (TDD) or (800) 955-8770 (Florida Relay Service), as much in advance of your court appearance or visit to the courthouse as possible. Please be prepared to explain your functional limitations and suggest an auxiliary aid or service that you believe will enable you to effectively participate in the court program or service. May 30; June 6, 2014

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION CASE NO. 10001172GC WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A. Plaintiff, vs. HAYDEE ANTIOQUIA A/K/A HAYDEE F. ANTIOQUIA A/K/A HAYDEE FAJARDO MESIA, et al Defendants. NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Summary Final Judgment of foreclosure dated May 8, 2014 and entered in Case No. 10001172GC of the Circuit Court of the Tenth Judicial Circuit in and for HIGHLANDS COUNTY, Florida, wherein WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., is Plaintiff, and HAYDEE ANTIOQUIA A/K/A HAYDEE F. ANTIOQUIA A/K/A HAYDEE FAJARDO MESIA, et al are Defendants, the clerk will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, beginning at 11:00 A.M. in the JURY ASSEMBLY ROOM, Basement, 430 S. Commerce Avenue, Sebring, FL 33870, in accordance with Chapter 45, Florida Statutes, on the 10th day of June, 2014, the following described property as set forth in said Summary Final Judgment, to wit: LOT 18, BLOCK 23, SUN 'N LAKE ESTATES OF SEBRING, UNIT 2, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 9, PAGE 48, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA. Any person claiming an interest in the surplus funds 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 at Sebring, HIGHLANDS COUNTY, Florida, this 8th day of May, 2014.

Robert W. Germaine Clerk of said Circuit Court (CIRCUIT COURT SEAL) By: /s/ Priscilla Michalak As 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)534-4686 (voice), (863)534-7777 (TDD) or (800)955-8770 (Florida Relay Service), as much

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in advance of your court appearance or visit to the courthouse as possible. Please be prepared to explain your functional limitations and suggest an auxiliary aid or service that you believe will enable you to effectively participate in the court program or service. PH #49496 May 23, 30, 2014

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION Case #: 2010-CA-001331 Federal National Mortgage Association Plaintiff, vs. Jorge I. Gomez; Mariana Gomez a/k/a Mari Gomez; BankAtlantic; 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-CA-001331 of the Circuit Court of the 10th Judicial Circuit in and for Highlands County, Florida, wherein Federal National Mortgage Association, Plaintiff and Jorge I. Gomez 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 June 10, 2014, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to-wit: THE NORTH HALF OF LOT 2, IN BLOCK 217, OF PLACID LAKES SECTION TWENTY, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 9, PAGE 31, 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 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 10-200565 FCO1 WCC May 23, 30, 2014

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL ACTION CASE NO.: 10-00819 DIVISION: BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING, LP FKA COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING LP, Plaintiff, vs. DENISE MARTIUK, et al, Defendant(s). NOTICE OF RESCHEDULED SALE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN Pursuant to an Order Rescheduling Foreclosure Sale dated May 15, 2014, and entered in Case No. 10-00819 of the Circuit Court of the Tenth Judicial Circuit in and for Highlands County, Florida in which BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING, LP FKA COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING LP, is the Plaintiff and DENISE MARTIUK, are defendants, the Highlands County Clerk of the Circuit Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash in the Jury Assembly Room in the basement, Highlands County Courthouse, 430 South Commerce Avenue, Sebring, FL 33870, Highlands County, Florida at 11:00AM on the 18th day of June, 2014, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment of Foreclosure: LOTS 7317 AND 7318 AND THE NORTHWEST HALF OF LOT 7319, AVON PARK LAKES UNIT NO. 23, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 5, PAGE 19, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA. A/K/A 2355 NORTH CARPENTER RD, AVON PARK, FL 33825 Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the Lis Pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale. Dated in Highlands County, Florida this 15th day of May, 2014.

Clerk of the Circuit Court Highlands County, Florida By: /s/ Toni Kopp Deputy Clerk If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the Office of the Court Administrator, (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. To file response please contact Highlands County Clerk of Court, 590 S. Commerce Ave., Sebring, FL 33870-3867. Tel: (863)402-6591; Fax: (863)402-6664. May 30; June 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. 28-2011-CA-000756-XXAX-MX Division: Civil Division BANK OF AMERICA, N.A. Plaintiff, vs. FRANKLIN S. CARDEN AKA SHANE CARDEN; DENISE M. CARDEN AKA DENISE CARDEN; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF CHRISTY L. OTTO NKA CHRISTY SINGLETARY; UNKNOWN TENANT #1; UNKNOWN TENANT #2; 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, GRANTEEES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS; 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 NORTH 1/2 OF LOT 1141, AND ALL OF LOTS 1142 AND 1143, AVON PARK LAKES UNIT NO. 3, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 4, PAGE 90, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA. 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 June 10, 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 9th day of May, 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) 534-4686 (voice), (863) 534-7777 (TDD) or (800) 955-8770 (Florida Relay Service), as much in advance of your court appearance or visit to the courthouse as possible. Please be prepared to explain your functional limitations and suggest an auxiliary aid or service that you believe will enable you to effectively participate in the court program or service. 157048 seg2 May 23, 30, 2014

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL ACTION CASE NO. 28-2011-CA-000803-GCS U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION Plaintiff, vs. KELLEY COLUMBIE A/K/A KELLEY LYNN COLUMBIE; LINDA C. LARAIA; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF KELLY COLUMBIE A/K/A KELLY LYNN COLUMBIE; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF LINDA C. LARAIA; 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, GRANTEEES, 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 April 22, 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: THE WEST 1/2 OF LOT 10, BLOCK 249, SUN 'N LAKE ESTATES OF SEBRING, UNIT 13, ACCORDING TO THE MAP OR PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 9, PAGE 71, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA. a/k/a 4611 GRANADA BLVD., SEBRING, FL 33872-2387 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 June 9, 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 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. 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. 665112616 May 23, 30, 2014

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT Pursuant to a WRIT OF EXECUTION issued out of the Circuit Court of the Seventh Judicial Circuit in and for Broward County, Florida, on the 11th day of April, 2014, in the cause wherein US BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, etc, is Plaintiff, and CECILIA LOPEZ and RAMIRO DAZA and others, is Defendant, being Case No. 08-52496 in the said Court, I, Susan Benton, Sheriff of Highlands County, Florida, have levied upon all of the Defendants, CECILIA LOPEZ and RAMIRO DAZA and others, right, title and interest in and to the following described PERSONAL property in Highlands County, Florida, to-wit: 2002 Land Rover, VIN#SALTY15412A749841, TAG# J70ZHM, DECAL# 14666325 and on the 09th day of July, 2014 at the hour of 10:00am or as soon as thereafter as circumstances permit, at Ducks Body Shop located at 1153 Hawthorne Dr, Sebring, Florida, I will offer for sale all of the said defendant, CECILIA LOPEZ and RAMIRO DAZA and others, right, title and interest in aforesaid PERSONAL property at public outcry and will sell the same, subject to all prior liens, encumbrances and judgments, if any, to the highest and best bidder or bidders for CASH, the proceeds to be applied as far as may be to the payment of costs and the satisfaction of the above-described execution. Dated this, May 23, 2014 SUSAN BENTON, SHERIFF OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA By /s/ Lt. Kenny Johnson, Judicial Process Unit In accordance with the American with Disabilities Act, persons with disabilities needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact the agency sending this notice at 434 Fernleaf Ave., Sebring, FL 33870, Telephone 863/402-7228 not later than seven days prior to the proceeding. If hearing impaired, (TTD) 1-800-955-8771, or Voice (V) 1-800-955-8770, via Florida Relay Service. Prepared by Lt. Kenny Johnson Highlands County Sheriff's Office 434 Fernleaf Ave. Sebring, FL 33870 May 30; June 6, 13, 20, 2014

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Plaintiff, vs. FRANKLIN S. CARDEN AKA SHANE CARDEN; DENISE M. CARDEN AKA DENISE CARDEN; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF CHRISTY L. OTTO NKA CHRISTY SINGLETARY; UNKNOWN TENANT #1; UNKNOWN TENANT #2; 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, GRANTEEES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS; 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 NORTH 1/2 OF LOT 1141, AND ALL OF LOTS 1142 AND 1143, AVON PARK LAKES UNIT NO. 3, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 4, PAGE 90, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA. 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 June 10, 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 9th day of May, 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) 534-4686 (voice), (863) 534-7777 (TDD) or (800) 955-8770 (Florida Relay Service), as much in advance of your court appearance or visit to the courthouse as possible. Please be prepared to explain your functional limitations and suggest an auxiliary aid or service that you believe will enable you to effectively participate in the court program or service. 157048 seg2 May 23, 30, 2014

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/s/ Toni Kopp Deputy Clerk Robert W. Germaine CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT Highlands County, Florida FL-97007770-12 May 30; July 6, 2014

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Five-Day forecast for Highlands County

TODAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY
An afternoon thunderstorm or two	An afternoon thunderstorm or two	A p.m. shower or thunderstorm	A t-storm possible in the afternoon	Partly sunny, a t-storm possible
89° / 71°	88° / 71°	90° / 70°	88° / 70°	86° / 72°
Winds: S at 4-8 mph	Winds: ESE at 4-8 mph	Winds: ENE at 7-14 mph	Winds: ENE at 7-14 mph	Winds: ENE at 7-14 mph

**Almanac**  
 Temperature  
 Readings at Archbold Biological Station in Lake Placid  
 High Sunday ..... 94°  
 Low Sunday ..... 60°  
 High Monday ..... 92°  
 Low Monday ..... 67°  
 High Tuesday ..... 89°  
 Low Tuesday ..... 65°  
 High Wednesday ..... 93°  
 Low Wednesday ..... 62°

**Heat Index**  
 For 3 p.m. today  
 Relative humidity ..... 51%  
 Expected air temperature ..... 89°  
 Makes it feel like ..... 94°

**Barometer**  
 Monday ..... N.A.  
 Tuesday ..... 29.99  
 Wednesday ..... 29.95

**Precipitation**  
 Monday ..... 0.00"  
 Tuesday ..... 0.00"  
 Wednesday ..... 0.00"  
 Month to date ..... 4.75"  
 Year to date ..... 10.66"

**Tides**  
 Readings at St. Petersburg  
 High ..... 5:09 a.m.  
 Low ..... 8:20 a.m.  
 High ..... 2:46 p.m.  
 Low ..... 10:42 p.m.

**Lake Levels**  
 Readings as of 7 a.m. yesterday  
 Lake Jackson ..... 78.36'  
 Lake Okeechobee ..... 12.50'  
 Normal ..... 14.51'

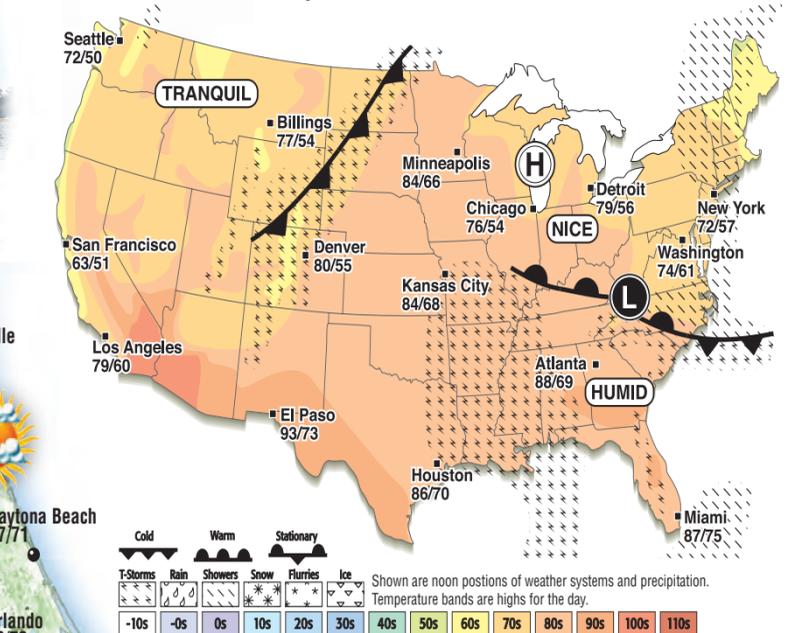
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National Forecast for May 30



**National Summary**  
 Flooding rain will target the southern Mississippi Valley once again today as a stubborn upper-level low continues to spin overhead. Slow-moving storms will drench western Florida as well. Spotty showers and storms will dot the Southeast. A weak area of low pressure will drop into the Northeast and will bring a few showers and thunderstorms. A cold front will kick up a few storms across the Dakotas and Rockies. High pressure will bring pleasant conditions to the Great Lakes and Ohio Valley.

**U.S. Cities**

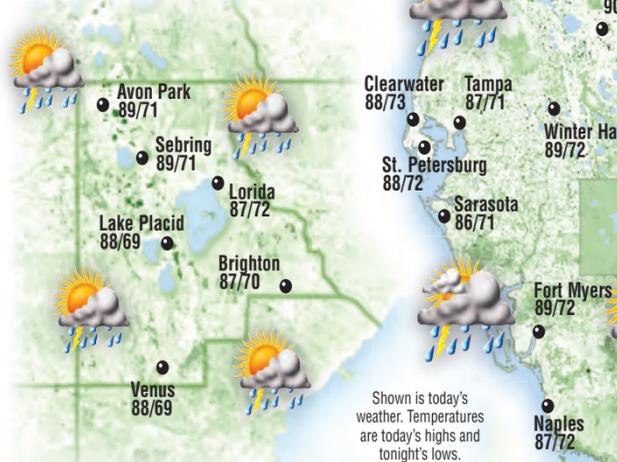
City	Today	Sat.	Sun.	City	Today	Sat.	Sun.
Albuquerque	86/66/t	89/67/s	91/65/s	Los Angeles	79/60/pc	77/58/pc	73/58/pc
Atlanta	88/69/t	85/69/t	83/66/t	Louisville	85/64/pc	88/64/s	91/70/t
Baltimore	70/56/pc	78/54/s	78/56/s	Memphis	87/71/t	90/73/t	91/73/t
Birmingham	87/67/t	91/69/t	87/71/t	Milwaukee	69/54/s	73/58/s	78/63/pc
Boston	68/52/t	62/49/pc	68/56/s	Minneapolis	84/66/pc	82/67/t	83/68/t
Charlotte	83/65/t	80/64/c	81/60/pc	Nashville	86/66/t	91/68/pc	89/70/t
Cheney	72/51/t	79/52/t	82/50/pc	New Orleans	82/72/t	83/70/t	88/71/t
Chicago	76/54/s	81/60/s	85/66/pc	New York City	72/57/pc	72/54/pc	74/59/s
Cleveland	73/53/s	75/53/s	83/61/s	Norfolk	70/60/pc	76/60/pc	73/59/s
Columbus	80/57/s	82/59/s	87/65/s	Oklahoma City	84/68/t	85/69/pc	88/70/pc
Dallas	84/71/t	84/72/t	91/74/pc	Philadelphia	73/59/pc	75/56/pc	77/56/s
Denver	80/55/t	85/56/t	87/54/pc	Phoenix	103/83/s	107/84/pc	103/79/s
Detroit	79/56/s	79/55/s	81/63/pc	Pittsburgh	78/54/s	78/52/s	81/59/s
Harrisburg	74/54/pc	78/51/s	77/56/s	Portland, ME	65/49/t	62/43/sh	69/50/s
Honolulu	88/75/s	88/75/s	88/74/s	Portland, OR	77/53/pc	77/54/pc	73/53/pc
Houston	86/70/t	84/71/t	87/71/t	Raleigh	78/62/pc	82/56/pc	82/58/s
Indianapolis	82/60/s	83/61/s	85/68/pc	Rochester	74/49/pc	74/49/s	80/58/s
Jackson, MS	82/67/t	87/66/t	95/69/t	St. Louis	84/63/pc	86/71/t	89/71/pc
Kansas City	84/68/t	83/68/t	87/71/pc	San Francisco	63/51/pc	63/51/pc	65/51/s
Lexington	84/59/pc	85/59/s	88/67/pc	Seattle	72/50/pc	76/51/s	73/52/pc
Little Rock	82/68/t	87/70/t	89/71/pc	Wash., DC	74/61/pc	79/58/s	77/60/s

**World Cities**

City	Today	Sat.	Sun.	City	Today	Sat.	Sun.
Acapulco	91/77/t	91/78/t	91/79/t	London	68/48/pc	71/52/pc	72/53/sh
Athens	73/64/s	78/64/pc	78/62/s	Montreal	69/51/t	70/52/pc	75/60/pc
Beirut	85/76/s	85/66/s	75/65/pc	Moscow	73/59/sh	77/55/r	77/58/pc
Berlin	66/48/pc	71/46/s	69/47/s	Nice	72/55/s	72/60/pc	72/60/pc
Bermuda	76/69/s	76/67/t	74/67/s	Ottawa	73/51/pc	73/50/pc	76/54/pc
Calgary	68/42/pc	67/42/t	69/43/pc	Quebec	63/48/t	68/48/pc	74/53/pc
Dublin	61/44/pc	66/53/pc	63/53/r	Rio de Janeiro	75/66/s	79/67/s	78/68/s
Edmonton	67/41/s	74/41/s	71/45/s	Seoul	87/61/s	87/59/s	87/64/s
Freeport	82/76/sh	84/75/sh	84/74/sh	Singapore	89/78/t	88/79/t	88/79/t
Geneva	65/47/sh	70/44/s	72/47/c	Sydney	70/51/pc	71/52/sh	69/46/r
Havana	88/69/t	88/69/pc	87/72/t	Toronto	74/50/pc	72/50/s	74/53/pc
Hong Kong	90/82/pc	89/83/pc	90/83/pc	Vancouver	66/51/pc	71/52/pc	70/52/pc
Jerusalem	88/71/pc	85/59/s	74/55/s	Vienna	63/48/c	68/51/pc	70/51/c
Johannesburg	71/46/s	70/47/s	72/46/s	Warsaw	63/45/pc	67/48/c	68/48/c
Kiev	74/59/sh	71/56/sh	73/55/t	Winnipeg	76/58/t	77/54/r	70/55/pc

Regional Summary

Some sun, a thunderstorm or two this afternoon; storms will be slow moving and bring heavy rain. A thunderstorm on the prowl tonight. A couple of thunderstorms around tomorrow; storms will be slow moving and bring heavy rain.



**Farm Report**  
 A couple of thunderstorms this afternoon. Winds south-southeast 4-8 mph. Expect 4-8 hours of sunshine with a 60% chance of precipitation and average humidity 70%.

**Weather History**  
 On May 30, 1968, flooding in northeastern New Jersey caused \$133 million in damage. This followed a severe drought in the mid-1960s that led to water restrictions in the area.

**Sun and Moon**

	Today	Saturday
Sunrise	6:34 a.m.	6:34 a.m.
Sunset	8:13 p.m.	8:13 p.m.
Moonrise	8:12 a.m.	9:03 a.m.
Moonset	9:55 p.m.	10:40 p.m.

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**Water Restrictions**  
 • Even addresses may water on Thursday and Sunday.  
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 • All watering should take place before 10 a.m. and after 4 p.m.

**Florida Cities**

City	Today	Sat.	Sun.	City	Today	Sat.	Sun.
Cape Coral	89/71/t	89/71/t	91/71/t	Miami	87/75/pc	87/76/pc	87/76/pc
Clearwater	88/73/t	89/75/t	90/74/t	Okeechobee	86/71/t	83/71/t	86/72/pc
Coral Springs	87/73/pc	87/74/pc	88/75/pc	Orlando	90/70/t	89/71/t	89/71/t
Daytona Beach	87/71/pc	86/72/pc	87/72/pc	Pembroke Pines	87/73/pc	88/74/pc	88/75/pc
Ft. Laud. Bch	86/76/pc	88/77/pc	87/76/pc	St. Augustine	85/71/pc	84/73/sh	83/70/pc
Fort Myers	89/72/t	90/72/t	91/72/t	St. Petersburg	88/72/t	88/74/t	91/74/t
Gainesville	87/67/t	89/68/t	87/67/t	Sarasota	86/71/t	87/72/t	91/71/t
Hollywood	87/73/pc	88/74/pc	88/75/pc	Tallahassee	89/68/t	92/69/t	89/69/t
Homestead AFB	85/73/pc	85/74/pc	86/75/pc	Tampa	87/71/t	87/72/t	90/74/t
Jacksonville	89/68/t	87/70/pc	85/66/pc	W. Palm Bch	86/73/pc	86/74/pc	87/75/pc
Key West	87/80/sh	87/78/t	87/78/pc	Winter Haven	89/72/t	88/72/t	89/71/t

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

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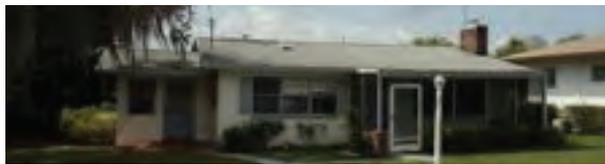
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**POND & GOLF VIEWS**

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221215

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225458

**55+ PARADISE!**

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229881

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229836

**PREMIER LOCATION!**

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# Add quality and comfort with room-to-room home additions

## Family Features

When considering a home renovation, think outside the box for design inspiration and setting the overall tone.

With homeowners staying in their homes longer due to the economy, renovations should focus on usability and personal style. For those homeowners looking to sell, the market is still very much a buyer's space, so quality additions that increase value are certainly top of mind. Luckily, there's no need knock down walls or move plumbing to make an impact - simply start with small, quality updates to pack a dramatic punch for less money. Here are some ways to add quality and comfort within the different spaces of your home:

## Entryway

As the first thing visitors see, your front door should always provide a good impression, reflecting the beauty that emanates throughout your home. With doors, matching the exterior and interior creates a flow into outdoor living spaces. Using doors as a part of the overall aesthetic can also allow for some creativity with glass accents or bold color choices. Choose a reliable door manufacturer, such as Masonite, that offers a wide breadth of finishes and styles using wood, steel and fiberglass.

## Living room

Add decorative touches to your living room with repurposed items found around the house. Fill a decorative pitcher or an old tin water-

ing can with fresh flowers from the garden to add elegance to your coffee table. Wrap assorted globe lighting fixtures or mason jars with wire and hang them in a grouping to display votive candles. For an eclectic and shabby chic feel, turn a vintage drawer on end to use as a bookshelf or bring in an old wooden crate to use as a side table.

## Kitchen

Refreshing your kitchen doesn't require a major update. Add a new color to existing cabinetry by refinishing or adding a new coat of paint. Would you like to add a glossy shine to the kitchen? Simply apply mesh-back glass tile to fit the dimensions of cabinet door panels. Finish the update with a modern touch by replacing outdated hardware with the many new, stylish options available.

## Bathroom

From tiles and countertops to faucets and showerheads, the options are endless for bathroom updates. With wall-hung, stand-alone or pedestal styles, your choices for a new vanity are no exception. During a renovation, some homeowners begin their project by focusing on other bathroom elements like those mentioned above. But starting with the addition of a new vanity, like one of the many beautiful options from Ronbow, will set the stage for your bathroom and provide a focal point for the other design elements.

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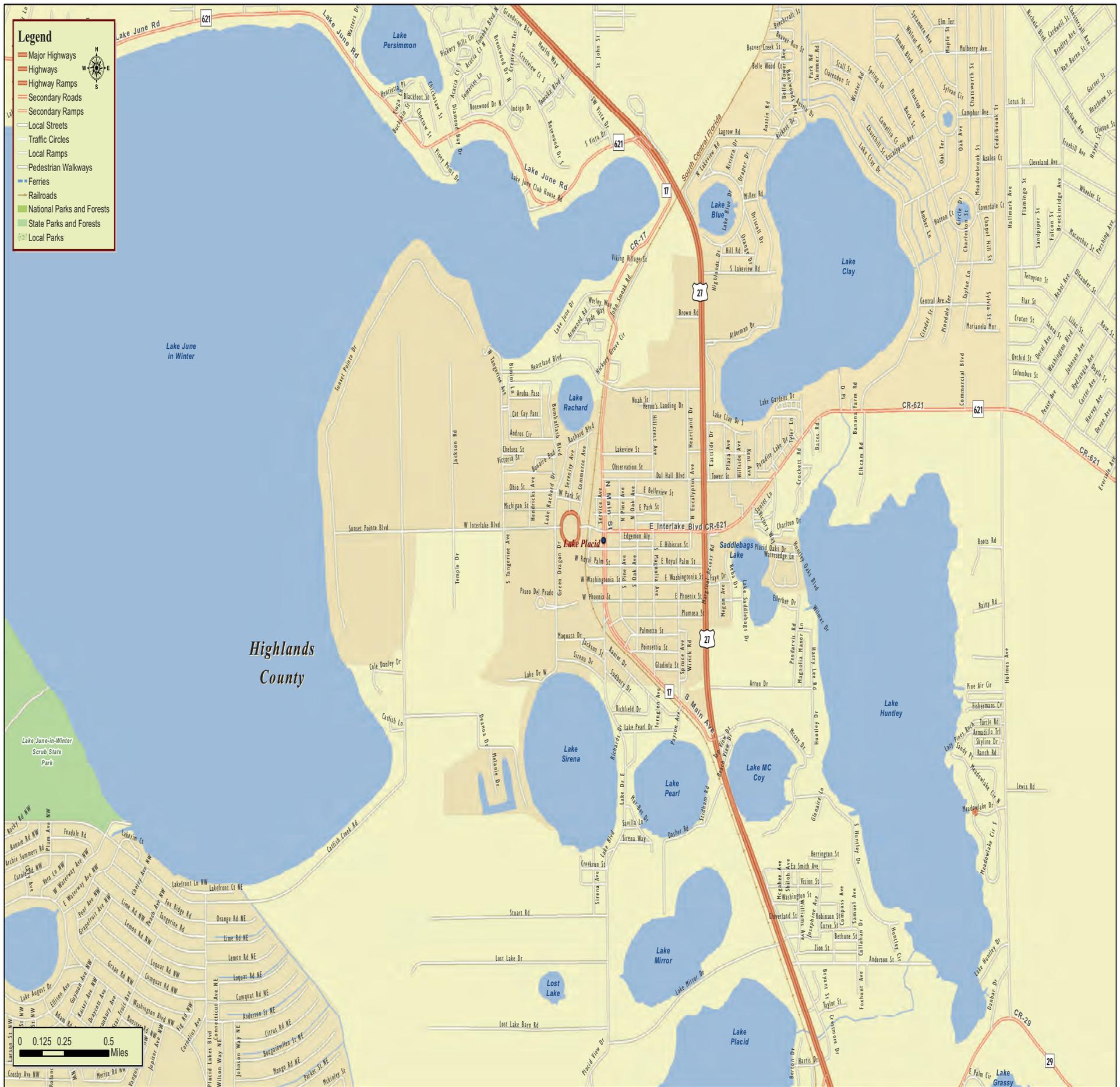
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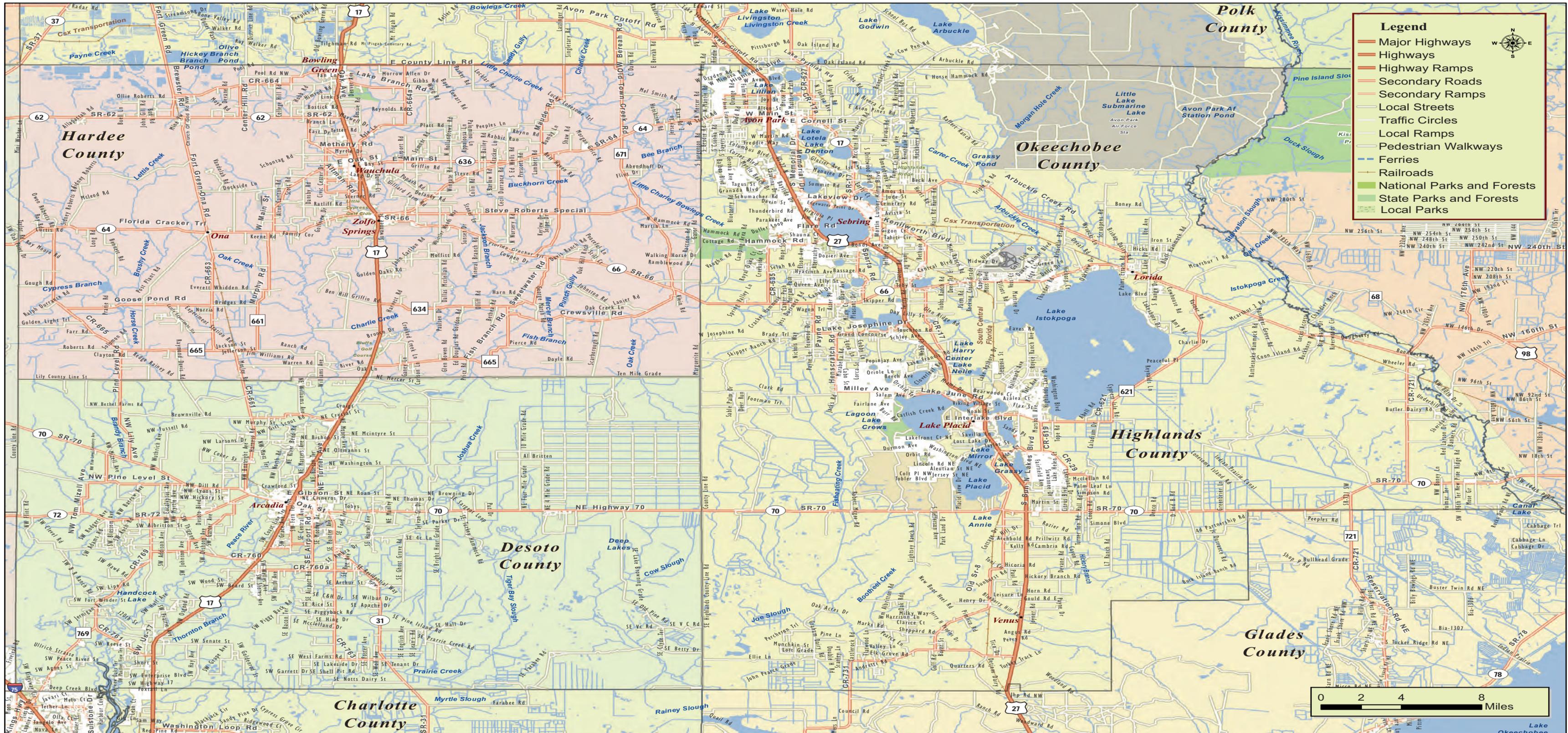
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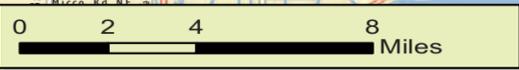
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# Things to consider before downsizing your home

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The decision to downsize a home is often bittersweet. Many couples who downsize their homes do so after raising a family. A home might be filled with memories, but downsizing a home helps couples save more money, and that financial flexibility often allows men and women to more fully enjoy their retirement.

But in spite of the financial impact of downsizing a home, there's more than just money at stake for homeowners thinking of downsizing their homes. The following are a handful of factors homeowners should consider before downsizing to a smaller home.

## Furniture

When downsizing to a smaller home, many couples realize their current furniture is unlikely to fit into a smaller home. That means couples will have to sell or donate their current furniture and then buy all new items for their new home. If it's been a while since you purchased new furniture, you might be in for some sticker shock on your first visit to the furniture store.

Another thing to consider regarding your furniture is which items you simply can't live without. An antique dinner table might have been the centerpiece for your family holidays over the last several decades, but there's no guarantee it will fit into your smaller home. You may want to pass this down to your son or daughter, but that's only possible if he or she has the room for it.

Before deciding to downsize, consider your attachment to certain items that you may or may not be able to take with you to your new



home and the emotional toll that selling such items might take if you're left with no other options.

## Real estate market

The real estate market can be a seller's friend or foe. Many sellers have a sale price in mind when they decide to sell their home, but the real estate market can be fickle, so homeowners should do their research before putting their home up for sale. Will the current market make it easier for you to get the most for your home, or will you have to settle for less than you prefer? How fast are similar homes in your area selling? When studying the real estate market, it's also a good idea to study the market for smaller homes.

If you plan on moving into a condominium but the market is not flush with properties, you might end up paying more than you want to for your new home, which might negate the savings you are hoping for.

## Proximity to family

When downsizing to a smaller home, many couples move out of the suburbs and into cities or towns with more ready access to culture and restaurants. While that accessibility is great, grandparents may find that it comes at the cost of less time with their grandchildren. That's a steep price to pay for doting grandparents, and it may also impact your children if they frequently rely on grandma

and grandpa for babysitting. Before downsizing, consider if you're willing to move further away from your family. If not, you likely can still find a smaller home in close proximity to your current home and any nearby family members.

## Medical care

Many older men and women must also consider the effect that moving may have on their medical care. Downsizing to a home in the country may make it harder to maintain contact with your current physician, and rural areas typically have less medical practitioners than more densely populated towns and cities. In addition, if you have been visiting the same physician for years, you may not want to move and have to start all over again with a physician who is unfamiliar with your medical history.

Consider how much maintaining your existing relationship with your physician means to you, and if your next home will provide the kind of access to medical care you're likely to need. Downsizing a home is not just about moving into a smaller property. To ensure you're making the right decision, many factors must be considered before making that move.

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Older couples must consider a host of factors before deciding to downsize their homes.

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	4%	4.5%	5%	5.5%	6%	6.5%	7%	7.5%	8%	8.5%	9%	9.5%
\$ 50000	370	382	395	409	422	436	449	464	478	492	507	522
\$ 75000	555	574	593	613	633	653	674	695	717	739	761	783
\$100000	740	765	791	817	844	871	899	927	956	985	1014	1044
\$125000	925	956	988	1021	1055	1089	1124	1159	1195	1231	1268	1305
\$150000	1110	1147	1186	1226	1266	1307	1348	1391	1433	1477	1521	1566
\$175000	1294	1339	1384	1430	1477	1524	1573	1622	1672	1723	1775	1827
\$200000	1479	1530	1582	1634	1688	1742	1798	1854	1911	1969	2029	2088
\$225000	1664	1721	1779	1838	1899	1960	2022	2086	2150	2216	2282	2350
\$250000	1849	1912	1977	2043	2110	2178	2247	2318	2389	2462	2536	2611
\$275000	2034	2104	2175	2247	2321	2396	2472	2549	2628	2708	2789	2872
\$300000	2219	2295	2372	2451	2532	2613	2696	2781	2867	2954	3043	3133
\$325000	2404	2486	2570	2656	2743	2831	2921	3013	3106	3200	3296	3394
\$350000	2589	2677	2768	2860	2953	3049	3146	3245	3345	3447	3550	3655
\$375000	2774	2869	2965	3064	3164	3267	3371	3476	3584	3693	3803	3916
\$400000	2959	3060	3163	3268	3375	3484	3595	3708	3823	3939	4057	4177

## House Payment Chart for 30 Year Mortgage

	4%	4.5%	5%	5.5%	6%	6.5%	7%	7.5%	8%	8.5%	9%	9.5%
\$ 50000	239	253	268	284	300	316	333	350	367	384	402	420
\$ 75000	358	380	403	426	450	474	499	524	550	577	603	631
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\$200000	955	1013	1074	1136	1199	1264	1331	1398	1468	1538	1609	1682
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# What to expect when getting a tree removed

Metro

Trees serve many purposes for a landscape, providing shade and habitats for birds and other animals and serving as natural blinds between two homes. Trees are often beautiful elements of a natural landscape, adding aesthetic appeal to a property or even an entire community. But there are times when a tree must be removed, an action that, in many instances, requires the services of a professional tree service.

A tree with roots invading the foundation of a home or infringing on a patio or walkway can become a safety hazard. Other trees may cast shade where a pool is planned or cause disagreements between neighbors when the tree straddles a property line. These are instances when tree removal will be necessary, and a reputable service can advise as to the best methods for ridding the property of the troublesome tree.

Homeowners will need to do a bit of planning and research to remove trees safely and securely. It is best to contact a variety of different tree removal services

and compare their offerings and prices. The cost of a tree removal will vary depending on various factors, including the height of the tree, its width, the number of branches it has, its location on a property and the proximity of that location to potential hazards like power lines. Tree removal may range from a few hundred dollars to several thousand.

When a tree is being removed, most of the branches will be removed to make the tree more manageable. Trees are rarely chopped at the base and allowed to fall, as there simply isn't enough room to safely take this approach. Sections of the tree will be cut, roped off and slowly lowered. A climber will scale the tree or use a cherry picker machine to reach the top of the tree to facilitate the process.

The pieces of the tree will be loaded into a wood-chipper for grinding before they are hauled away.

Larger, heavier portions of the stumps may need to be moved later on with machinery. Hauling trees off the property may cost extra, so it is important that homeowners read their contract thor-

oughly before signing on the dotted line.

Additional costs may be factored into the bill. These can include stump-and-root grinding. Trees will be cut down to the stump.

To prevent eyesores or tripping hazards, some homeowners opt to have the stumps ground down into sawdust. This will not remove all of the roots but will take care of most of the above-ground portion of the remaining stump. It is usually up to the homeowner to discard the sawdust or use it as a mulching material.

Expect the ground around the former tree to be soft, and there may be a depression depending on how much stump grinding took place. Some people prefer to wait a season for the ground to recover before planting something new.

It may take a while for grass to sprout where a tree was once located, and there may be bare spots when grass starts to grow in.

Tree removal can be an expensive venture but is necessary for different reasons. Be sure that tree-removal services are fully insured before signing a contract.



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# These animals may help your garden

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Not every creature that scurries is out to get prized petunias or to devour tomatoes. In fact, many can prove beneficial to gardens.

## Bats

Bats have a bad reputation, as people unnecessarily fear bats because they believe them to be carriers of disease. But many bats feed off of insects or fruits and will not harm a human. The average brown bat can eat 1,000 mosquitoes in an hour, so it's easy to see why bats are good to have around.

## Frogs

Frogs and toads will prey on insects and make the local insect population more manageable. Toads eat mainly slugs, who feed on the leaves and fruits of many plants. Frogs and toads are attracted to water, so including a pond or another water feature in the garden will provide them with a habitat they like.

## Birds

While it is true that some birds can damage crops, many birds are content to feed on insects attracted to

the garden, which helps to keep insect numbers in check. Chickadees, for example, will dine on aphid eggs, while larger birds may prey on mice or other rodents or simply scare them out of the garden. Jays and mockingbirds are known to be feisty and can even deter dogs and cats from a yard.

Hummingbirds will sip on the nectar of flowers and help pollinate plants.

## Snakes

Snakes in a garden can be disconcerting to some people, but snakes are ideal predators who feed on insects and rodents several times their size. Snakes are the right size and shape to invade the burrows of pest animals.

## Butterflies and bees

Butterflies and bees are responsible for pollinating the vast majority of plants. Avoid using pesticides that may diminish butterfly or bee populations. A beehive right next to a garden may not be practical, but don't make attempts to destroy it.

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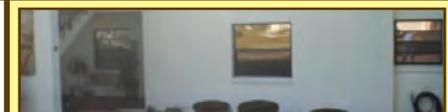
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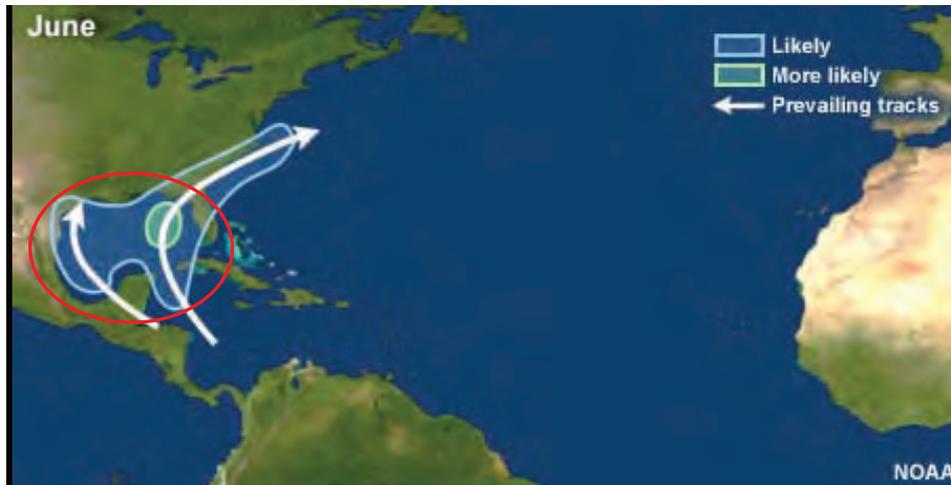
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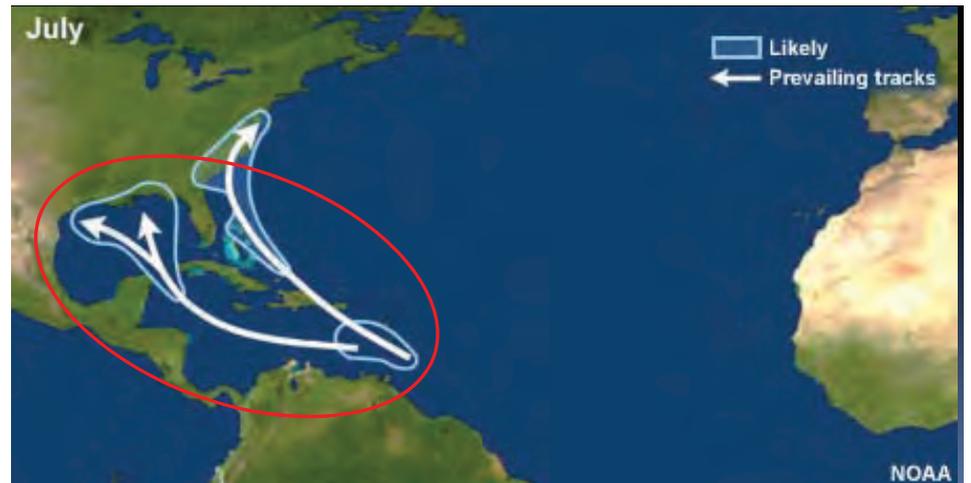


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**June:** On average about one storm every other year. Most June storms form in the northwest Caribbean Sea or Gulf of Mexico.

Season starts slowly, with storms rare in June and July. But things change in August...



**July:** On average about one storm every year. Areas of possible development spreads east and covers the western Atlantic, Caribbean, and Gulf of Mexico.

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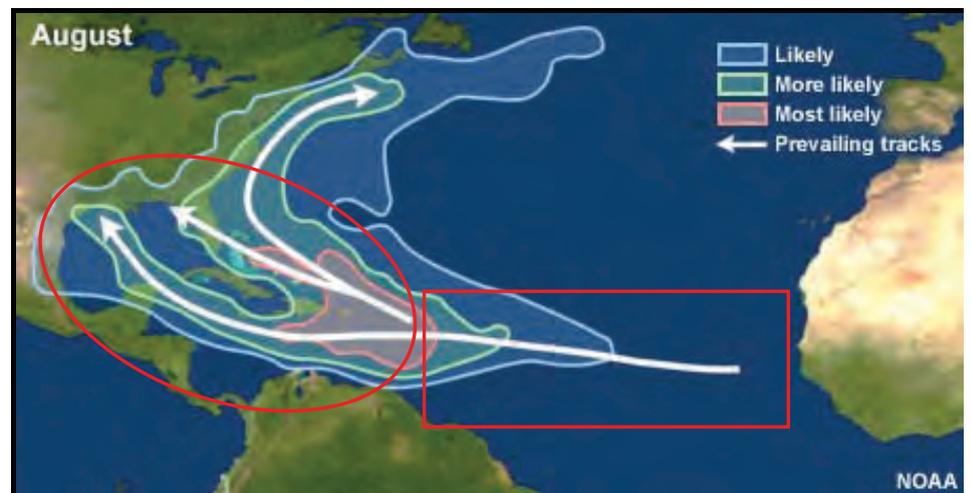
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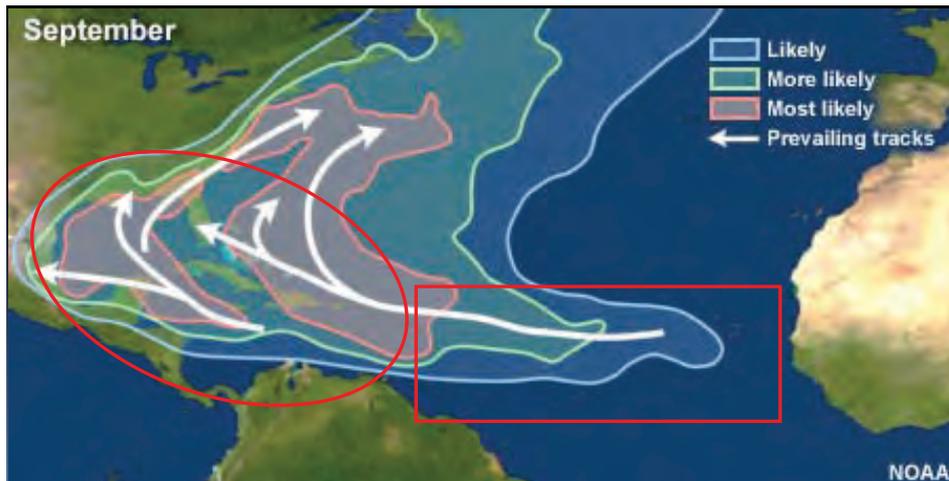
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**August:** Activity usually increases in August. On average, about two to three storms form in August as the Cape Verde season begins.

# Life cycle of a typical hurricane season

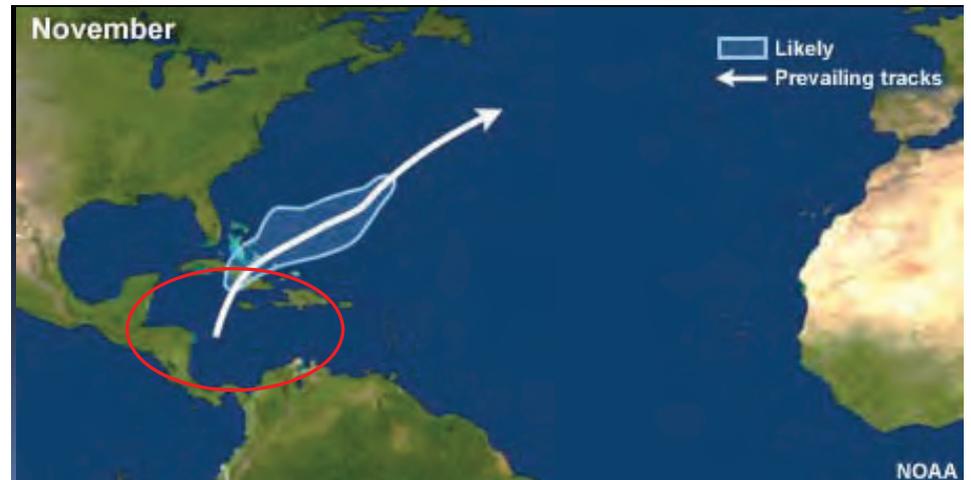
September is the peak of the season, but October is usually busiest for Florida.



**September:** The climatological peak of the season. Storms can form nearly anywhere in the basin. Long track Cape Verde storms are very possible.



**October:** Secondary peak of the season is in mid-October. The Cape Verde season ends and the development area shifts westward, back into the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico and western Atlantic.



**November:** Season usually slows down with about one storm occurring every other year. Storms that do form typically develop in the central Caribbean.



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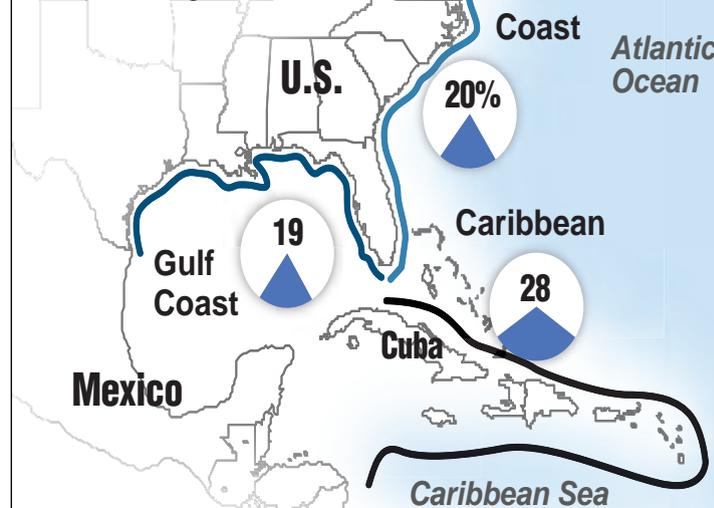
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## Calm season ahead

Forecasters at Colorado State University are predicting a below-average number of named storms for the Atlantic region.

### Likelihood that a hurricane will hit

Chance of a major hurricane (Category 3-5) making landfall

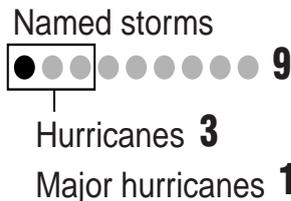


### Name that storm 2014 storm names

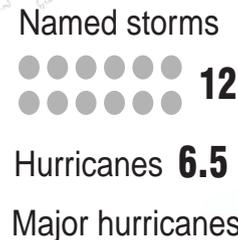
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### How 2014 compares

Predicted for 2014



Annual average, 1981-2010



Source: University of Colorado, National Hurricane Center

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# Forecasters predict slow Atlantic hurricane season ... but they've been wrong before

BY MEGHAN BARR  
Associated Press

NEW YORK — A slower-than-usual hurricane season is expected this year because of an expected El Nino, federal forecasters said Thursday, but they warned that it takes only one storm to wreak havoc and urged Americans to be prepared.

The El Nino, which warms part of the Pacific every few years and changes rain and temperature patterns around the world, will likely reduce the number and intensity of tropical storms and hurricanes, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration said in New York City.

Cooler temperatures on the surface of the Atlantic Ocean compared with recent years will also lower the probability of hurricane formation.

"El Nino helps to reduce the ability of storm systems coming off Africa to strengthen into tropical storms and hurricanes," said Dr. Gerry Bell, NOAA's top hurricane season forecaster.

Bell cautioned that El Nino has

**'El Nino helps to reduce the ability of storm systems coming off Africa to strengthen into tropical storms and hurricanes.'**

*Dr. Gerry Bell  
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not yet developed and officials have not yet issued any forecasts for it.

Officials expect about eight to 13 named tropical storms and three to six hurricanes. One or two major hurricanes with winds over 110 miles per hour are forecast.

The six-month storm season begins June 1.

Forecasters got it wrong last year when they predicted an unusually busy hurricane season. There were 13 named storms and two hurricanes, Umberto and Ingrid, both of which were Category 1, the lowest on the scale that measures hurricanes by wind speed. There were no major hurricanes.

In 2012, storm surge was devastating to the New York area when Superstorm Sandy slammed the East coast, killing 147 people and causing \$50 billion in damage. Sandy

lost hurricane status when it made landfall in New Jersey.

A new mapping tool this year will keep coastal residents updated on the storm surge threat, using tides and currents to predict how high the surge might be and where exactly it will hit, said Dr. Holly Bamford, director of NOAA's National Ocean Service.

"Storm surge can be deadly," Bamford said. "It only takes six inches of fast-moving water to knock an adult over."

The map will be activated when a hurricane or tropical storm watch is announced, or about 48 hours before the onset of tropical storm force winds, and updated along with National Weather Service advisories every six hours.

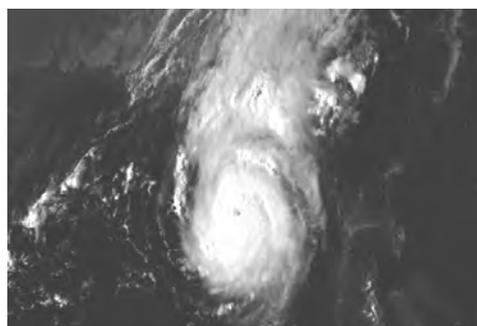
New York City officials also launched "Know Your Zone," a hur-

ricane awareness campaign that is being billed as a "one-stop-shop" for hurricane preparedness. New Yorkers can go onto the city's website (<http://nyc.gov/knowyourzone>) to find out which evacuation zone they reside in and other critical storm-related information.

"The effects of Sandy make it clear why you must be prepared," said Joseph Bruno, the city's commissioner of the office of emergency management.

The Atlantic hurricane season goes through cycles of high and low activity about every 25 to 40 years based on large scale climatic patterns. Since 1995, an average season has 15 named tropical storms, eight hurricanes and about four major storms. The last time a major hurricane made landfall in the U.S. was when Wilma came ashore in 2005, an eight-year stretch that is the longest on record.

During the six-month season, forecasters name tropical storms when top winds reach 39 mph; hurricanes have maximum winds of at least 74 mph.



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# Inland flooding from hurricanes can be deadly

Special to the News-Sun

When it comes to hurricanes, wind speeds do not tell the whole story. Hurricanes produce storm surges, tornadoes and often the most deadly of all — inland flooding.

“In the last 30 years, inland flooding has been responsible for more than half the deaths associated with tropical cyclones in the United States,” said Ed Rappaport, National Hurricane Center.

While storm surge is always a potential threat, more people have died from

inland flooding in the last 30 years.

Intense rainfall is not directly related to the wind speed of tropical cyclones. In fact, some of the greatest rainfall amounts occur from weaker storms that drift slowly or stall over an area.

Inland flooding can be a major threat to communities hundreds of miles from the coast as intense rain falls from these huge tropical air masses.

The United States has a significant hurricane problem. More than 60 percent of our nation's population live in coastal states from

Maine to Texas, Hawaii and Puerto Rico.

Hurricane Floyd (1999) brought intense rains and record flooding to the eastern U.S. Of the 56 people who perished, 50 drowned due to inland flooding.

Tropical Storm Alberto (1994) drifted over the southeast United States and produced torrential rainfall. More than 21 inches of rain fell at Americus, Ga. Thirty-three people drowned. Damages exceeded \$750 million.

Tropical Storm Claudette (1979) brought 45 inches of rain to an area near Alvin,

Texas, contributing to more than \$600 million in damages.

Hurricane Agnes (1972) produced floods in the northeast United States which contributed to 122 deaths and \$6.4 billion in damages.

So, the next time you hear hurricane — think inland flooding.

## What can you do?

- When you hear hurricane, think inland flooding.
- Determine whether you live in a potential flood zone.

■ If advised to evacuate, do so immediately.

■ Keep abreast of road conditions through the news media.

■ Move to a safe area before access is cut off by flood water.

■ Do not attempt to cross flowing water. As little as six inches of water may cause you to lose control of your vehicle...two feet of water will carry most cars away.

■ Develop a flood emergency action plan with your community.

For more information, visit [www.nws.noaa.gov/om](http://www.nws.noaa.gov/om)

## Where to find the latest information

### CURRENT STORM INFORMATION

**National Weather Service**  
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### HISTORICAL STORM INFORMATION

**National Climatic Data Center**  
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**NOAA Coastal Services Center**  
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# Where to go if you need a shelter

When Highlands County is threatened by high winds, the primary shelters will be opened. As these shelters near capacity, officials will open the second tier of shelters, which are primarily public schools and are not wind compliant.

Citizens in the Lake Placid area are encouraged to drive to Sebring and utilize wind compliant shelters.

## Avon Park

### PRIMARY

■ Avon Park Recreation Center, 207 E. State St.

### SECONDARY

■ South Florida Community College University Center, 600 W. College Drive.

■ Avon Elementary School Cafeteria (is wind compliant), 705 W. Winthrop St.

## Lake Placid

### PRIMARY

■ Lake Placid High School, 202 Green Dragon Drive

### SECONDARY

■ None

## Sebring

### PRIMARY

■ Highlands County Fairgrounds Convention Center, 781 Magnolia Ave.

### SECONDARY

■ Sebring High School Multi-use Auditorium, 3514 Kenilworth Blvd.

■ Fred Wild Elementary School cafeteria, 1910 Highlands Ave.

■ Woodlawn Elementary School cafeteria, 718 Fielder Blvd.



## Special Needs Shelter

This shelter does not provide medical care such as a medical facility. It does not provide the comfort and convenience of a home or hotel. No advanced medical equipment or staff will be available.

### PRIMARY

■ Bert J. Harris Jr. Agri-Civic Center, 4509 George Blvd., Sebring

### SECONDARY

■ Highlands County Health Department, 7205 S. George Blvd., Sebring.

## Pet Shelters

When Highlands County will be impacted by high winds, the following Pet shelter(s) would be opened as needed on an first come basis as room is very limited. These shelters are in cooperation with private animal kennels and the Avon Park Holiness Camp:

■ Avon Park Holiness Camp (is not wind compliant), 1001 West Lake Isis Ave., Avon Park

■ Dawg House (pets only), 69 Dawg House Drive, Lake Placid

■ Dog Design by Dana (pets only), 701 Thunderbird Hill Road, Sebring

# What to bring with you if you have to go to a hurricane shelter

First aid kit

Medicine, prescriptions

Baby food and diapers

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Toiletries

Battery-powered radio and cell phone (don't forget the charger).

Flashlights

Extra batteries

A blanket or sleeping bag for each person

Identification (for adults).

Copies of key papers such as insurance policies

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# Hurricane Season 101

## A quick guide on what to do and when to do it

### Before the hurricane season

- Learn location of official shelters.
- Make emergency plans for pets.
- Check emergency equipment, such as flashlights, generators and battery-powered NOAA Weather Radio All Hazards and cell phones.
- Buy food that will keep and store drinking water.
- Buy plywood or other material to protect your home.
- Clear loose and clogged rain gutters and downspouts.
- Trim trees and shrubbery.
- Decide where to move your boat in an emergency.
- Review your insurance policy.

### When there is a hurricane watch for the area

- Frequently listen to radio, TV or NOAA Weather Radio All Hazards for official bulletins of the storm's progress.
- Fuel and service family vehicles.
- Inspect and secure mobile home tie downs.
- Have extra cash on hand.

■ Prepare to cover all windows and doors with shutters or other shielding materials.

■ Check batteries and stock up on canned food, first-aid supplies, drinking water and medications.

■ Bring in light-weight objects such as garbage cans, garden tools, toys and lawn furniture.

### When there is a hurricane warning for the area

■ Closely monitor radio, TV or NOAA Weather Radio All Hazards for official bulletins.

■ Close storm shutters.

■ Follow instructions issued by local officials. Leave immediately if ordered!

■ If evacuating, leave as soon as possible. Stay with friends or relatives, at a low-rise motel or at a designated public shelter.

■ DO NOT stay in a mobile or manufactured home.

■ Notify neighbors and a family member outside of the warned area of your evacuation plans.

■ Take pets with you if possible, but remember, most public shelters do not

allow pets other than those used by the handicapped. Identify pet-friendly motels.

### If staying at home during a storm

■ Turn refrigerator to maximum cold and keep closed.

■ Turn off utilities if told to do so by authorities.

■ Turn off propane tanks.

■ Unplug small appliances.

■ Fill bathtub and large containers with water in case tap water is unavailable. Use water in bathtubs for cleaning and flushing only. Do NOT drink it.

### Plan to leave if you...

■ Live in a mobile home. They are unsafe in high winds no matter how well fastened to the ground.

■ Live near a river or a flood plain.

■ Live in a high-rise building. Hurricane winds are stronger at higher elevations.

### If winds become strong...

■ Stay away from windows and doors, even if they are covered. Take refuge in a small interior room, closet or hallway.

■ Close all interior doors. Secure and brace external doors.

■ If you are in a two-story house, go to an interior first floor room.

■ If you are in a multi-story building and away from water, go to the first or second floor and stay in the halls or other

interior rooms away from windows.

■ Lie on the floor under a table or other sturdy object.

### Be alert for...

■ Tornadoes. They are often spawned by hurricanes.

■ The calm "eye" of the storm. It may seem like the storm is over but after the eye passes, the winds will change direction and quickly return to hurricane force.

### After the storm

■ Keep listening to radio, TV or NOAA Weather Radio All Hazards.

■ Wait until an area is declared safe before entering.

■ Watch for closed roads. If you come upon a barricade or a flooded road, "Turn Around Don't Drown!"

■ Avoid weakened bridges and washed out roads.

■ Stay on firm ground. Moving water only 6 inches deep can sweep you off your feet. Standing water may be electrically charged from power lines.

■ Once home, check gas, water and electrical lines and appliances for damage.

■ Use a flashlight to inspect for damage. Never use candles and other open flames indoors.

■ Do not drink or prepare food with tap water until officials say it is safe.

■ If using a generator, avoid carbon monoxide poisoning by following manufacturer's instructions.

■ Don't walk in flooded areas with downed power lines.

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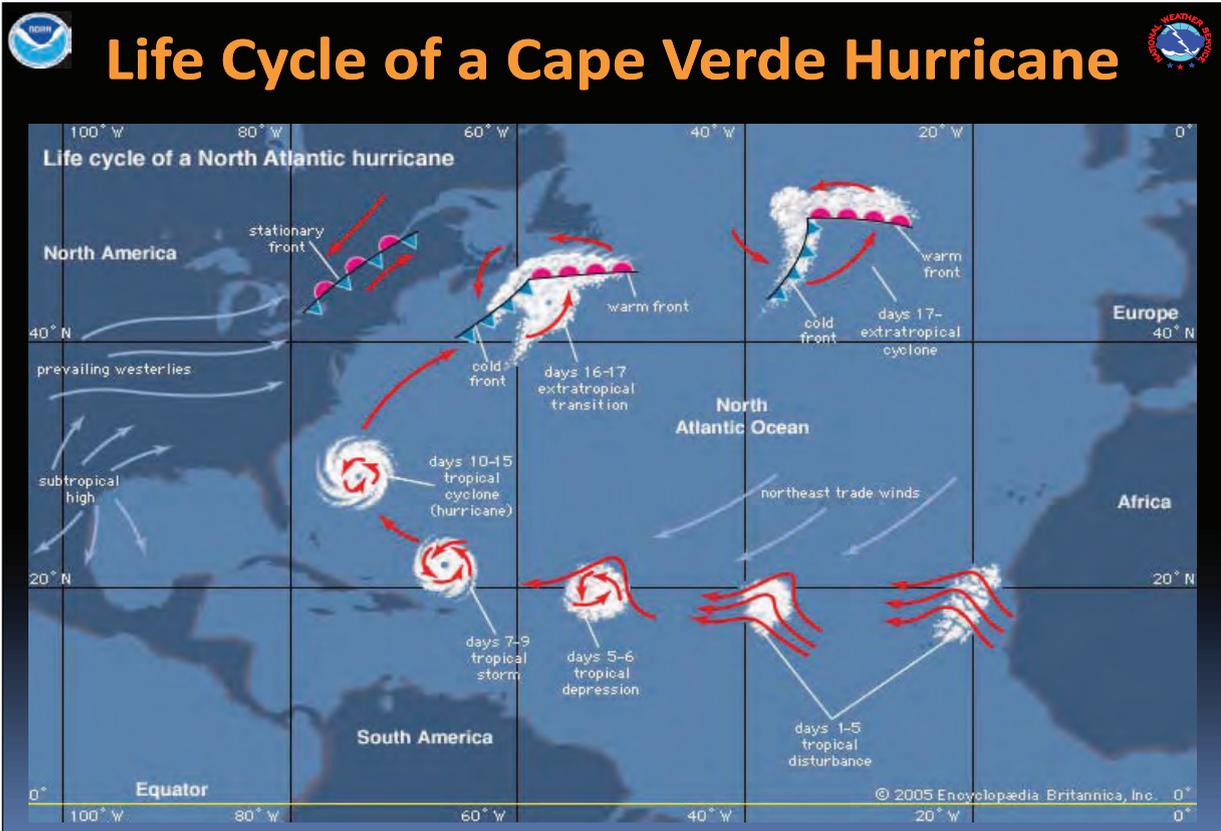
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## Tropical Cyclone Classifications

A hurricane is a type of tropical cyclone – an organized rotating weather system that develops in the tropics and rotate counterclockwise in the Northern Hemisphere. They are classified as follows:

### TROPICAL DEPRESSION

An organized system of persistent clouds and thunderstorms with a closed low-level circulation and maximum sustained winds of 38 mph (33 knots) or less.

### TROPICAL STORM

An organized system of strong thunderstorms with a well defined circulation and maximum sustained winds of 39 to 73 mph (34-63 knots).

### HURRICANE

An intense tropical weather system with a well defined circulation and sustained winds of 74 mph (64 knots) or higher. In the western North Pacific, hurricanes are called typhoons, and similar storms in the Indian Ocean are called cyclones.

## Saffir-Simpson Hurricane Wind Scale

CAT.	WIND SPEEDS	WHAT KIND OF DAMAGE YOU CAN EXPECT TO SEE	EXAMPLES
1	74-95	<b>Minimal:</b> Damage primarily to shrubbery, trees, foliage and unanchored mobile homes. No real damage to other structures. Storm surge typically 4-5 ft. above normal.	Irene, 1999
2	96-110	<b>Moderate:</b> Some trees blown down. Major damage to exposed mobile homes. Some damage to roofing materials, windows and doors. Storm surge typically 6-8 feet above normal.	Georges, 1998 Floyd, 1999
3	111-129	<b>Extensive:</b> Large trees blown down. Mobile homes destroyed. Some structural damage to roofing materials of buildings. Some structural damage to small buildings. Storm surge typically 9-12 feet above normal.	Katrina, 2005 Alicia, 1983
4	130-156	<b>Extreme:</b> Trees blown down. Complete destruction of mobile homes. Extensive damage to roofing materials, windows and doors. Complete failure of roofs on many small residences. Storm surge typically 13-18 feet above normal.	Hugo, 1989 Charley, 2004
5	>157	<b>Catastrophic:</b> Complete failure of roofs on many residences and industrial buildings. Extensive damage to windows and doors. Some complete building failures. Storm surge typically greater than 18 feet above normal.	Florida Keys Hurricane, 1935 Camille, 1969 Andrew, 1992

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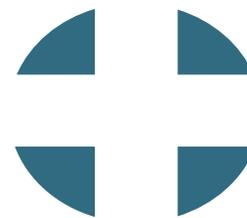
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