State’s attorney: Man shot by deputy brandished toy gun

By CHRISTOPHER TUFFLEY
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SEBRING — Deputy Sheriff Steven Rittenour has been cleared of any legal wrongdoing in the July 31 incident where he shot and killed Sebring resident Peter Russo.

Stephen Ruschen, assistant state attorney, released a letter he had delivered to Sheriff Susan Benton on Sept. 29 which reviewed the case and explained its conclusion.

The letter said that Russo was brandishing a large knife and when turned out to be a toy gun when he was shot three time by Rittenour in the front yard of a home on Wrightman Avenue in Sebring.

The investigation consisted of witness interviews, crime scene investigation and statements of law enforcement officials, including Rittenour.

The letter states that around noon on July 31, a domestic disturbance call was received by the Seb DEPT. XX, page 4A

Fred Wild students cheer with excitement as they watch Sebring High School cheerleaders perform stunts and cheers at their R.O.A.R pay rolly on Thursday morning.

Fred Wild students R.O.A.R with behavior program

By SAMANTHA GHLOR
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SEBRING — Students and faculty gathered Thursday morning at Fred Wild Elementary to reinforce and reward students for their discipline and positive behavior.

The students at Fred Wild have been using the R.O.A.R. (Respect others. Obey rules. Act responsibly. Ready to learn) program to help them remember and demonstrate positive behavior both at school and at home.

Principal Laura Waldron was excited for the fourth-year event. “We are glad the kids are learning and demonstrating positive actions through this program,” said Waldron.

Students were excited to see the Sebring High School cheerleaders.

This is the fourth year the high schoolers have visited Fred Wild for their program. See STUDENTS, page 3A

Sebring council differs on opinion of new planters on the Circle

By CHRISTOPHER TUFFLEY
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SEBRING — A sharp difference of opinion between city council members revealed itself Tuesday night at the council’s regular meeting.

In a discussion of the planting islands being added to the streetscape around the Circle and down the spoke streets, Margie Rhoades made it very clear she thinks they are more of a traffic hindrance than upgrade.

“They’re too small,” she said. “And you can’t plant high plants.”

“Damn you can’t plant high plants.”

MARGIE ROHADES council member

Sebring High School cheerleader and senior Kaili Graham answers the questions of eager Fred Wild Elementary students at Thursday morning’s “R.O.A.R.” Pep Rally.

News-Sun photo by ED BALDRIDGE

Avon Park business destroyed by Thursday fire

By ED BALDRIDGE
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AVON PARK — Quick action by the Avon Park Fire Department kept a structure fire at 1104 W. Pleasant St. from jumping to the adjoining house Thursday morning.

Around 9 a.m., a 911 call informed emergency officials that the Management Experts Building located on the corner of Pleasant Street and U.S. 27 was fully involved.

Smoke could be seen as far north as Lake Jackson in Sebring when fire fighters arrived on scene a few minutes later and called for mutual aid from the surrounding fire departments.

It was not clear how the fire started, but the lone employee working at the time heard a loud noise outside and noticed the fire around a trash can could not take the north- west corner of the building.

The employee escaped with minor injuries, according to city officials.

The fire quickly spread to the back of the building and into the structure itself. No damage was reported to the building just next door at 1106 W. Pleasant St. despite the flames being a large structure.

A total loss.

Interim Fire Chief David Cloud could not comment on a cause for the fire by press time, and the fire is under investigation by the State Fire Marshall.

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See Roots for Business Solutions to fit your needs!
Don Hansen will be honored for starting Sebring youth football

**POLICE BLOTTER**

The Sebring News would like to acknowledge the names listed below as a result of challenges being met and crimes that have been charged with a crime, but the Sebring News did not prove guilty by a court of law. If anyone listed below is not while their record is dropped, they can bring in the actual record of such decision and mail a copy to the paper and the Sebring News will be happy to report that information.

The following people were booked into the Highlands County Jail on Wednesday, Oct. 6:
- **Romona Washington**
- **Fantasia Jones**
- **Shain M. Dace**
- **Reggie Goodloe**
- **Kathleen L. Sasser**
- **Tara R. Smith**
- **Lorraine A. Spain**
- **Chad A. Watford**

The following people were arrested with operating a vehicle without a valid license:
- **Dwayne D. Bradley**
- **Donnie Allen Stewart**
- **Todd V. Eason**
- **Michael R. Thomas**

The following people were arrested with possession of marijuana:
- **Ernest R. Gaines**
- **Bernard R. Williams**

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- **Juan Francisco Palacios**

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The renovations started in 2013. In 1989, it was regulated as a historical building. The station has been in use for many years between 1927-1955. The current station was opened, as it is today.

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**Police blotter**

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Students celebrate good behavior

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the cheerleaders spent a few minutes asking questions from the eager elementary students.

"It took a few weeks to plan this. We of course had to set up a time for the cheerleaders to be available and once we did that we contacted Chris Taylor," said Walbors.

After a few minutes of questions, the cheerleaders then put on a short stunt and cheer performance for the students.

Fred Wild students yodeled and clapped excitedly as the cheerleaders landed back on hand-stands and performed pirouettes.

The first- through fifth-graders in the basket-ball court to hear special guest speaker Chris Taylor. Taylor is a part of Youth for Christ Ministry in Sebring. Taylor spoke to students about respect, friendship and honesty. Taylor used examples from the Disney movie "Cars" to relate to the students throughout the speech.

"Was Lightning McQueen a very good friend to Mac when he made him drive all night and not stay awake with him?" No," shouted the group of first- and second-graders.

No. He wasn’t. Is that what friends do? Is that being respectful to a friend? Taylor asked. Another loud "no" echoed across the court.

The students have learned that respect, obedience, responsibility, and an avid learning attitude are keys to being a good student.

The students shouted the meaning of each letter sever-
al times throughout the pep rally, showing both faculty members and themselves that they are learning and growing continuously.

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Associated Press

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Cooking up a few ideas to promote great cooking

L ast weekend was quite a NEWSROOM.

Even those of us who find motorcycle-racing or hissing to the Run to the Runland was as well attended as always and the visitors politely.

Especially impressive was the speed of the clean-up and the lack of litter.

The Pig Fest, too, was a success. — in the sense that there were no lines. D-Hours and hungrier people entered the contest from out-of-town vendors. People, including drivers, people, and even shouts by vendors. People called news.

The Pig Fest is a fun and tasty time. It is a shame more could join forces with the Hook up with the culinary classes at the high schools and colleges. We have in them a special competition among the sidewalks and restaurants.

Make sure to sign your letter and include your address and phone number. Anonymous letters will be automatically rejected. We reserve the right to edit letters.

Send your letter to 2227 U.S. 27 South, Sebring, FL 33870; drop it off at the same address; fax 385-1954; or e-mail editor@newssun.com or anthony.mccowan@newssun.com. You may contact the editor at 863-385-6155 or ext. 515.

Tea Party is non-partisan all the way

Our readers — before the advent of soy-based typing — should know that our audience resented it, we never made a presentation at Homer’s, we never made a presentation at any other event. We are a non-partisan group, and we do much more non-partisan things.

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Thank you for your letter. We respect your opinion and as a personal prize, we like to see a personal letter in our columns.

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sherriff’s office. The caller said Russo was intoxicated and had broken a glass door in an effort to reach his girlfriend inside with an aim to harm her.

Russo had actually been sent as a back-up unit to the call, but arrived first on the scene. He was in uniform, driving a marked R-6 vehicle.

He did not activate his video camera as he arrived and pulled into the complainant’s driveway, behind what proved to be Russo’s vehicle.

The letter states that when Ritenour got out of his truck Russo was standing in the open door of his sport utility vehicle.

Based on Ritenour’s statement, the letter states that as Ritenour approached Russo, “Russo turned toward the deputy with a large butcher knife in his left hand. Russo ignored orders to drop the knife so Deputy Ritenour drew his semi-automatic handgun.

As Russo completed his turn, Deputy Ritenour observed what he believed to be a black revolver in Russo’s right hand. He then stepped toward (Ritenour) and extended the revolver.

“Believing that he was about to shot, Deputy Ritenour back pedaled (and) towards the street and discharged his firearm six or seven times. Russo was hit in the chest area three times.”

The letter goes on to say that the sheriff’s office made-dash telephone hearing Russo say “drop the knife,” then “shots fired, suspect down,” and then that the suspect had dropped the knife and the gun.

“When other officers arrived, Deputy Ritenour was Crowned at the edge of the street with his gun trained on Russo who was down on the ground.”

The scene was secured. Russo gave first aid and transported to a local hospital where he died shortly after ward.

A review of the statements made by Joyce Santos, the woman who lived in the home Russo attempted to enter, is included in the letter. Santos said a friend who had arrived at her home intoxicated and that he had cut his hand as he forced his way into the house. Santos called her daughter, Teresa Schiffer, asking her to come over.

When Schiffer arrived she made the call to 911.

It was at this time Schiffer stated that Russo said, “Let the cops come, I’m ready for them.” Also according to her testimony, Russo then went outside to his vehicle and waited for deputies to arrive.

According to the letter, the ensuing criminal investigation revealed “an apparent black revolver and large knife on the ground where Russo fell. There were six spent shell casings from the deputy’s gun in a pattern consistent with the deputy retreating as he fired.”

The projections that did not strike Russo hit the vehicles and mobile home directly behind Russo.

“When the gun Russo had been holding was examined it proved to be a toy cap pistol painted black to resem-ble a real gun.”

During a search of Russo’s home, another identical gun, although not painted black, was found. Both toy guns had been gifts from Russo’s father as “collector’s items.”

Houchin’s review concludes that after considering the facts and applicable law and because Ritenour was “in fear of imminent death when he shot Peter Russo,” the state attorney would take no further action.

Immediately following the incident, as per procedure, Ritenour was removed from duty, then returned to administrative duty, and has since been returned to active duty.

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charged with probation violation.

• Troy Frank Dilama, 22, of Sebring, was charged with possession of a controlled substance without a prescription and possession of drug equipment.

• Andrew Onel Gayle, 32, of Avon Park, was charged with battery.

• Nathan Ray Hutchins, 31, of Avon Park, was charged with a probation violation.

• Terry Lee Jones, 39, of Avon Park, was charged with possession of drug equipment and possession of less than 20 grams of marijuana.

Jonathan Eugene Reed, 29, of Sebring, was charged with first degree petit theft powers, grand theft $100 to less than $5,000 and fraud-swindle to obtain property under $20,000.

Richard Stevenson, 29, of Sebring, was charged with reckless driving.

Nancy Jeanne Thomas, 27, of Sebring, was arrested on an out-of-county warrant for knowing delivery while license suspended or revoked.

Crime scene tape blocks 1016 Wightman Ave. on July 31 after a Deputy Steven Ritenour shot and killed Peter Russo, who was reportedly armed with a large knife and a toy gun.

Planners an issue for Sebring city council

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The second choice was to relocate some of the planters, sacrificing six full-size parking spaces.

Rhoades moved to select the first option and remove all planters. John Griffin voted with her.

But Staney and Buddy Whittuck voted against the idea.

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Notice of Foreclosure Sale

The undersigned Trustee will sell on October 7, 2010 at 11:00 A.M., in the Jury Assembly Room in the Highlands County Courthouse, 430 South Commerce Avenue, Sebring, Florida 33870, for cash at Jury Annex, FLORIDA, will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at Jury Annex, FLORIDA, the following described property:

Promissory Note dated June 15, 2009 in the amount of $36,155.00, made by Robert Todd Burcham to Melissa Ruth Clark, both of Highlands County, Florida, bearing interest at the rate of 7.00% per annum due and payable on June 15, 2010, together with the security instrument referred to in the above described promissory note constituting a Note Secured by Deed of Trust (the "Deed of Trust") on parcel of real property located in Highlands County, Florida, known as Lot 22, in Block 1, of J.O. YOUNCE, AKA SWALLOW AVENUE, in the City of Sebring, Florida ("Lot") and described as follows:

Lot 22, in Block 1, of J.O. YOUNCE, AKA SWALLOW AVENUE, in the City of Sebring, Florida, together with all easements, fixtures, and appurtenances thereto, and all buildings, improvements, and other interests or rights now existing or hereafter created or appurtenant thereto, together with all buildings, improvements, and other interests or rights now existing or hereafter created or appurtenant thereto.

Any person claiming an interest in the sur-

Dated this 15th day of September, 2010.

ROBERT W. GERMAINE, Clerk of Court

As Deputy Clerk

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT

IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA

CIVIL ACTION

DIVISION:

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PETITIONER:

AMERICA, N.A., is the Plaintiff, and MARIA LANDS County, Florida wherein BANK OF

RESPONDENTS:

DEFENDANTS.

GROWING MEDICAL PRACTICE

PARTNER: 

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The following position closes on 10/07/2010

Secretary II – 116 PG 9


The following position closes on 10/13/2010

Caretaker 906 PG 8


Laborer PG 7

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Pleasant with bright sunshine. Tonight: partly cloudy with a shower possible.
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Pensacola 87°F, 62°F
Orlando 85°F, 62°F
Miami 85°F, 71°F
Jacksonville 84°F, 55°F
Homestead AFB 85°F, 70°F
Daytona Beach 83°F, 61°F

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National Forecast for October 8

Today Tomorrow Sunday

Avon Park 86°F, 60°F 87°F, 60°F 87°F, 60°F
Venus 86°F, 60°F 87°F, 59°F 85°F, 60°F

Regional summary:
- Pleasant today with bright sunshine.
- Mainly clear.

Pleasant with bright sunshine. Temperatures are today’s highs and tonight’s lows.

High 87°F/Low 59°F High 87°F/Low 63°F High 87°F/Low 65°F High 88°F/Low 67°F High 85°F/Low 66°F

Tuesday: partly sunny with a shower possible.

Sun and moon

Sunrise .. 6:38 a.m.
Sunset ...... 6:52 p.m.
Moonrise .. 9:08 a.m.
Moonset .... 9:47 p.m.
Moon phase: Full

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Joe King still leading the charge

The Highlands County Bee & The Highlands County Leader

By DANT HORDNE

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The road to district title number six hasn’t been a smooth one for the Lake Placid Lady Dragons. An early loss to Avon Park and another some ball later to Columbia County McKeel three weeks ago had left the Lady Dragons scrambling to come ground to make up. Tuesday’s 3-1 win over visiting Mulberry was the last step in that effort, marking Lake Placid’s fifth straight win on the district calendar since the McKeel loss. Though head coach Linette Wells wasn’t overly pleased with her team’s first half, she said, “Even though the win, it wasn’t the way we deserved,” she said. “We

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Horse crab declines

For a 10-year-old from New York, it was a splendid experience, but for the 10 million horseshoe crabs that annually travel the Atlantic Ocean, it is one of the most frightening times of the year. The 10 million horseshoe crabs are not what they seem. They are not strong or are fast . The guys who are actually horse crabs are 200-250 pounds, and they carry their young in their mouths. In fact, the horse crab’s eggs are bonded to the female crab’s mouth. The eggs hatch and are kept in her mouth. The female horse crab walks on the beach during the night, with a tiny horse crab in her mouth. The process is a long and difficult one. The horse crab’s embryonic development is slow, and the eggs take about 90 days to hatch. The baby horse crabs are released into the ocean, where they will spend the next 10 years of their lives as horseshoe crabs. It is a long and difficult process, but it is necessary for the survival of the species.
Chargers too much for Thunderbolts

Continued from 1B touchdown by Casey Hawkinson, and getting the lead back in the third quarter.

With the final game of the day

The annual Doc Decker Memorial Tournament will be held on November 13.

The public is invited to participate.

Crabs facing new challenges, threats

Continued from 1B upon looking at the results of the first three games, that they may be chicken to take part in the tournament.

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Second leading cause of blindness

Some patients will benefit from low vision aids, especially if they suffer from central vision loss in one or both eyes. Patients suffering from the eye doctor may be observed by the eye doctor, as well as new blood vessel growth (neovascularization) beneath the retina. The end result is decreased retinal function and blind spots. For example, a patient who just wants to see the TV more clearly.

Focal Point

Dr. Valerie Moulds

There are two types of ARMD and two types of AMD. The dry form of AMD is characterized by decreased visual acuity and the associated loss of independence that comes with it. For some patients, that loss may be more or less tolerable. They will experience the pain of specific goals and exactly what is desired, but what they cannot see as well.

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Skin tags may point to diabetes

Dear Pharmacist:

I used to have beautiful skin and now I’ve got older and more spots and more age spots. How can I get rid of the ones I have and stop more from forming? I’m also curious as to why some people get skin tags as age spots. Thanks.

— A.S., Los Angeles, California

Answer:

First adolescent bloomers, then skin tags; then age spots bun, bum, bum. Most of us at some point in our lives must deal with regular visits from this well-worn, three-piece ensemble. Thought of as the quintessential skin tag and age spots. Fortunately, both are benign. A trait of your dermatologist is the quickest and easiest way to eliminate either problem. In just one or two visits your doctor can snap or freeze away most skin tags and literally erase age spots with a laser beam and clean your skin in a clear. These are minor procedures and not overly expensive.

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First Christian Church - Grace in the Face of the Savior is the sermon title for the Rev. Ray Cameron, senior pastor. The service will begin at 10:30 a.m., but the church door will be open at 9 a.m. The church, 126 W. Center St., has two entrances on Orange Street, one with a ramp and another with stairs. The church office is at 9 a.m. Additional services: Lent and Holy Week services. Call the church office for more information. The Web site is www.firstchristianavon.com.

Grace Brethren Church, 1913 U.S. 98, Sebring. The Rev. H. Rogers is pastor. Phone: 385-1024, Church Cell 385-1400. Sunday School, 9 a.m. Wednesday Holy Communion, 5:30 p.m. Adult Education: Basics of Judaism. Through prayer, study and worship, God's Word is proclaimed, and covers issues relevant to today. Nursery/child care is available at all services. Sunday services start at 10 a.m. Contact person: the Rev. David Swearingen.

Grace Brethren Church, 3810 Sandstone Blvd., Sebring. Phone: 385-8171. Sunday School, 9:15 a.m.; Worship service at 10 a.m. Additional services: Lent and Holy Week services. Call the church office for more information. The Web site is www.GBCconnected.org.

Grace Brethren Church, 2005 S. Magnolia St., Avon Park. Phone: 471-6140. Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship service at 10 a.m. Wednesday Holy Communion, 5:30 p.m. Additional services: Lent and Holy Week services. Call the church office for more information. The Web site is www.christlutheranavonpark.org.

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As I look back on my life, I see mistakes done with wrong careless times. As a sinner, I naturally turn to God and do what I please. But there is a record of my sin, it is written against me for my sin. The truth is the person is born in sin. But God only shows those to whom they are willing to admit that they are.
The Social Network epic and intimate at one time

By CHRISTIE LEMIRE

The Social Network

Rating: PG-13 (sexual content, drug use and alcohol)

Running time: 120 minutes

Review: (of)

Just when you think he can’t get away with anything, he does it

Dear Abby:

Dear Abby: I am getting married and several of my bridesmaids are (Danny Trejo)

Don’t be the one to say I didn’t warn you.

Dear Abby: We are going to be attending a wedding in the first place, go away you have a family to run for....

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First love fills young teen with big questions, doubts

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Let’s kick things off here with a cold, hard fact: No artist is entirely original. Everybody is influenced by somebody else. Each artist stands on the shoulders of a giant, who stood on someone else’s shoulders before that. That’s especially true in music, which is why we find it hilarious when critics, bloggers and celebrity watchers squabble over whether divas such as Kesha and Christina Aguilera are stealing from Lady Gaga. Folks, get real — they’re all stealing pages from Madonna’s book. And Madge can trace her lineage back to the likes of Bette Midler, Cher, even Josephine Baker.

With that in mind, it’s time to draw up a proper family tree of modern dance/R&B/pop divas. A similar thing could be done for other genres, such as country (from Loretta Lynn to Tanya Tucker to Gretchen Wilson) and jazz (Billie Holiday to Nina Simone to Diana Krall), but we thought we’d stick with what’s currently hot on the Billboard charts.

All these singers are, indeed, great talents — but don’t let any of them fool you that they’re true trailblazers. As for the guys, well, when Bob Dylan starts wearing conical bras on stage, we will explore this terrain for them, as well.

**CHER**
The multimedia pioneer was wearing crazy, revealing outfits when Madonna was still in diapers. And she’s still at it.

**DIANA ROSS**
The voice, the glamour, the attitude, Diana Ross might have single-handedly brought the diva concept to the pop/R&B era.

**WHITNEY HOUSTON**
Her extraordinary singing talents magically last out to her legendary diva-dom. Is there hope for a comeback?

**MARIAH CAREY**
Along with Whitney (and Aretha Franklin), she ranks as one of the prime influential R&B voices of the last 25 years.

**MADONNA**
She took Cher’s game to a new level and showed countering controversy could pay the bills.

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**Carrie Underwood**
Like Clarkson, an “Idol” champ who forged her own style. Unlike Clarkson, her career seems unstoppable.

**Ke$ha**
She fancies herself another Gaga, but we think her 15 minutes are going “TikTok.”

**Rihanna**
She’s not in Beyonce’s league — yet. Stay tuned.

**Shaft**
We love more than just her hips — she’s a genuine talent who writes and produces her own songs.

**Christina Aguilera**
The “Genie in a Bottle” has a powerhouse voice and evolved into one of pop music’s great chameleons.

**Janet Jackson**
Technically, she predates Madonna, but she borrowed from the Material Girl’s playbook in her later career.

**Katy Perry**
With her looks, hooks and likable kookiness, she could eclipse Gwen’s fame.

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Mariah Carey-like pipes from the U.K., and without all the nuttiness. What a shame that would’ve been.

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The plucky ska-pop singer gets props for making herself into a pop star and fashion icon.

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**Beyonce**
Blazed Mariah’s vocals with Madonna/Cher’s theatrics and her own массивная good dancing, and you have the most thrilling act in popular music.

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