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HIGHER TAXES *or* FEWER DEPUTIES?



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Lake County Sheriff's Sgt. Michael Marden works traffic duty in Leesburg.

Sheriff wants \$3.2M more to boost salaries, county leaders say revenues aren't sufficient

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Sheriff Gary Borders has proposed a \$3.2 million budget increase for fiscal year 2014-15 budget to boost salaries for all employees. "We are starting to lose good, quality deputy sheriffs, not only to the private sector but to local police departments," Borders said. "We have got to be competitive in our salaries so we can not only hire but retain good, quality employees." The Sheriff's Office has had no pay increases in the last five years, according to Lt. John Herrell, spokesman for the sheriff.

Compared with 12 Lake County cities, LCSO ranked sixth in highest annual starting salaries for officers. The cities of Clermont, Mount Dora, Groveland, Lady Lake and Leesburg have higher salaries. Borders said he is concerned because 10 deputies have left in the past year. A total of 648 employees work at the LCSO: 267 in law enforcement, 168 in corrections and 213 in civilian positions. "A starting LCSO deputy makes \$35,485, the same as a five-year deputy," Borders said. "They put their life on the line every day to go out and do a good job for the citizens of this county. We have to start working on

increases in deputy salaries to pay them a decent income for the job they do. They have a dangerous job and we are just behind." Herrell said the \$3.2 million increase will "allow the sheriff to raise the starting pay some this coming fiscal year, as well as provide tiered raises for the rest of the employees." "The exact percentage rates for each category of raises have not been calculated at this point," he wrote in an email. "However, the largest percentage rates will go to the lower level deputies." Several county commissioners said meeting the sheriff's request and other needs in

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Church land may soon be developed

200 acres up for grabs near The Villages of Fruitland Park

STEVE FUSSELL
Special to The Daily Commercial

When First Baptist Church of Leesburg recently sold 750 acres along the western edge of Fruitland Park, bordering the Sumter County line adjacent to The Villages, they did not include were 200-plus additional. Now, with the massive retirement community having announced it will build 2,050 homes in The Villages of Fruitland Park, the church is courting other suitors for that left-over acreage. Church officials say they have started preliminary discussions with commercial property interests and hope to develop a new church campus on some of that acreage adjacent to the proposed development. The irregularly-shaped strip

of land runs north-and-south along the eastern boundary of The Villages of Fruitland Park, and creates a de facto buffer separating luxury-priced homes planned in the new development from the rest of the city. The church property borders both Pine Ridge Dairy Road and County Road 466A, which city and county officials would like to widen to four lanes. Art Ayris, assistant pastor at First Baptist Church, who heads the church community's finance ministry, said he thinks the church could see \$4-5 million from the sale of a portion of its CR 466A frontage to a commercial developer. The resulting cash could fund the new church campus, he said.

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AP FILE PHOTO

This undated file image provided by the U.S. Army shows Sgt. Bowe Bergdahl.

General: Bergdahl may face desertion charges

LOLITA C. BALDOR
Associated Press

BRUSSELS — The Army may still pursue an investigation that could lead to desertion or other charges against Sgt. Bowe Bergdahl, who was freed from five years of Taliban captivity in a prisoner exchange last weekend, Gen. Martin Dempsey, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff said Tuesday. Dempsey also told The Associated Press in a telephone interview from his plane that Bergdahl's next promotion to staff

sergeant, which was set to happen soon, is no longer automatic because Bergdahl isn't missing in action any longer. Speaking publicly for the first time about the case, Dempsey said he does not want to prejudge the outcome of any investigation or say anything that might influence a commander's decision. But he said U.S. military leaders "have been accused of looking away from misconduct, and it's premature" to assume

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Borders confident he can wrangle Animal Services

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Lake County Sheriff Gary Borders said this week if given the opportunity to take over Lake County's Animal Services, he is confident he could run an efficient operation and do a good job. Lake County Commissioner Leslie Campione proposed the idea at an April commission meeting as a way to improve all operations at the



DAILY COMMERCIAL FILE PHOTO

Veterinarian Boyd Harrell gives a dog a shot at Lake County Animal Services in Tavares.

shelter, including animal overpopulation, customer service and hiring a rescue animal registration coordinator, lowering while addressing the euthanization rate

and increasing the adoption rate. If county commissioners approve the sheriff's proposal at the Tuesday commission meeting, Lake will become the eighth county in Florida to have the sheriff's office oversee animal services. Brevard County plans to hand over its animal services to the sheriff by Oct. 1, while Bradford, Dixie, Hendry, Martin, Polk,

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TAVARES

Human error blamed in Blue Rhino explosion

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Repeating similar findings from a federal agency earlier this year, the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services cited human error as the cause of the Blue Rhino depot summer explosion in Tavares that injured seven workers.

The investigation was conducted by inspectors with the department's Bureau of Liquefied Gas Inspections and does not ascribe blame, but contains conflicting statements from the plant's managers and workers.

State fire investigators earlier this year said they believe sparks from a forklift starting ignited a propane cloud in the storage yard the night of July 29 as the 20-pound metal cylinders were drained of leftover gas. The explosion turned many of the estimated 50,000

cylinders into flaming missiles.

According to the Agriculture and Consumer Services report released Tuesday, Brandon Stewart, the plant's acting manager at the time of the explosion, told investigators he was not aware employees were venting propane containers in the storage yard — which is a violation of the company's operating procedures.

"Plant policy is that no propane is to be manually released at any time into the atmosphere from any container while the container is in the yard," the report stated.

According to statements from four injured workers, the practice of bleeding the tanks in the storage yard was not unusual, and some uninjured workers said they were not surprised by the practice.

It is not clear when the Florida Department of Agriculture and

Consumer Services will take action on the report.

The report released Tuesday comes after the Occupational Safety and Health Administration contended earlier this year that Blue Rhino violated 26 federal workplace rules and was fined \$73,000.

Blue Rhino responded to OSHA that any unsafe conditions leading to the explosion resulted from "unpreventable" and "unforeseeable" employee and or supervisor misconduct, according to the company's challenge of federal workplace-safety violations released in May.

A hearing for Blue Rhino to contest OSHA's citations in front of the agency's review commission is set for Sept. 10 in Houston.

No criminal charges were filed in the case.

BUDGET

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the county, from IT and infrastructure to a shortfall in the parks budget, would require raising taxes.

The county's budget has an \$8 million shortfall because of past declining property values and the sheriff's budget increase.

In order to maintain 7 percent in reserves, that shortfall must be met, according to Stephen Koontz, budget director.

According to county officials, preliminary budget numbers showed there are not sufficient revenues to meet needs without a tax increase.

Commissioner Leslie

Campione said she did not support a tax increase.

"I wholeheartedly support that Lake County Sheriff's Office employees should have competitive wages," she said. "But I am looking for other solutions that do not require a tax increase. I don't believe a tax increase is prudent considering that our local economy is attempting to make a comeback and this would be the worst time to raise taxes in Lake County. I feel it is important to be clear I would not support a tax increase."

Borders said in the last three years he has made about \$8 million in cuts to his budget.

Over the last seven years the department

has reduced its ranks by 68 employees through attrition and vacancies that have remained unfilled.

Borders said deputies have also had to contend with insurance rate increases and a new law requiring them to contribute 3 percent of their salary into the Florida Retirement System.

Commissioner Tim Sullivan said the sheriff's budget is realistic.

"It is hard to hire the best when you are not paying as much as other local units," he said. "That is a concern."

The commission has tough budgetary decisions ahead, Sullivan said.

"Probably to do everything that is comfortable for us we

are probably looking at some kind of tax increase," he said.

"Public safety is right at the top of the things we are required to do. I believe if the need is there, the taxpayers understand that."

Commissioner Jimmy Conner said his inclination is to support the sheriff's budget.

"Nobody wants to raise taxes," he said. "I think when the sheriff has cut his budget three years in a row, you either support the sheriff or you don't. We know continuing to cut is not sustainable, not when you are losing deputies to six other cities paying more. Part of our responsibility is to make sure the sheriff can offer competitive salaries."

BUILDING

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First Baptist has been holding services in The Villages for several months. About 80 Villages residents are First Baptist members, Ayris said.

"We want to serve The Villages community and the Fruitland Park property affords us the opportunity to do that," he said.

Ayris, who grew up in Fruitland Park, said he isn't talking to just any developer, and he doesn't plan to start development soon.

"We have to be careful

to choose a development plan that is compatible with our community and our mission," Ayris said. "I'm aiming to start work sometime in 2015, but realistically it will probably be 2016 or even 2017."

In December, The Villages paid a reported \$8 million for the 750-acre parcel — known locally as the Pine Ridge Dairy tract — where it plans to develop 2,050 homes and three village clubhouses.

Church officials said most of that money was used to retire debt obligations on the property and to provide for former Pine Ridge

Dairy workers.

Fruitland Park City Manager Gary La Venia said he has had preliminary discussions with church officials already.

"Development of The Villages of Fruitland Park increases the value of their property and also gives them access to city sewer and water, which with the roadway frontage makes the site all the more valuable," La Venia said.

The city has other interests at stake, too. When the Pine Ridge Dairy tract was annexed into the city in 1996, church officials agreed to commit approximately 77 acres for public

use such as parks, recreational facilities, schools or well fields.

Ayris said he thinks some of the future church facilities could be open to the public and that might satisfy part of its public use obligation to the city.

La Venia said he is approaching all options with an open mind.

The Pine Ridge Dairy Tract had been bequeathed to First Baptist Church when the former owner died. Former Pastor Charles Roessel had the tract annexed into the city in 2009 and reached out to The Villages for a possible land sale about 14 months ago.

SHELTER

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Putnam and Sarasota counties already have such arrangements in place.

The proposal comes after the head of the Animal Services division announced her resignation in March, citing a tight budget and public pressure over the department's euthanization rate.

Cyndi Nason was the second director of Animal Services to resign within the past year.

Nason and Marjorie Boyd both resigned amid pressure from animal activists who claim the shelter was putting down too many animals.

Before Nason took the position last May, two internal audits — one focused on the shelter's record keeping and the other on pet licensing laws — cited at least 45 areas for improvements.

Brian Sheahan, director of the Department of Community Safety and

Compliance, and Nason's boss, said euthanizations have been reduced.

But the public criticism is only a partial reason for the resignations, county officials said, pointing to funding issues that kept the county from hiring a field supervisor and rescue coordinator to help take the pressure off the director.

County commissioners agreed in a meeting on March 11 to delay funding those positions until Oct. 1.

Borders said if the sheriff's office oversees Animal Services it would use inmate labor for many tasks currently done by Animal Service employees.

"We would take current employees, reassign positions and fill some of the positions needed out there without adding to the budget," he said, referring specifically to the rescue coordinator position.

While there would not be a cost savings when looking at the bottom dollar, Borders said he would be able to fill

critical positions without costing the county more money.

Borders said he is traveling all over the state visiting different animal control departments run by sheriff offices.

"As part of the proposal we have taken what we think are good ideas from each county and hopefully at some point we will be able to implement some of those changes," Borders said.

One idea is to have the animal control officers work closely with patrol officers in responding to animal complaints, he said.

"It would be a benefit to the county," he said.

While Borders submitted his proposed budget this week, he said if he takes over Animal Services, his budget would have to be amended. Currently, the county spends \$1.4 million on animal services and has 27 employees.

Borders acknowledged there are challenges.

"Honestly there are some challenges the county is

going to have to address, whether they run animal control or I run animal control," he said. "There are building concerns out there. We have to look at their fleet."

Recently, the shelter has experienced challenges.

At the end of April, the shelter had a common parvovirus outbreak resulting in 16 dogs being put down.

That outbreak sparked an audit of intake and vaccination policies, county officials said.

Earlier in April, six puppies adopted from the shelter died as a result of what a veterinarian said was a case of hookworm. Two other puppies adopted from the same litter were also found to have hookworm but received blood transfusions and intravenous drips and lived, said Allison Zachary, a member of Plenty of Pit-bulls, a rescue organization that adopted the animals.

Shelter officials assert the incident was unique and protocols have been

strengthened to ensure it will never happen again.

Meanwhile, officials with another animal rescue group that works with the shelter, Houndhaven of Minneola, said the failure to deworm or vaccinate animals has occurred in several cases.

A previous audit found issues with record keeping at the shelter, and questions have now surfaced whether this case is symptomatic of an ongoing problem.

Commissioner Tim Sullivan said he is very interested in seeing the sheriff's proposal.

"I think he has an organization setup that will be beneficial to animal services and he may be able to do it more efficiently," he said.

Commissioner Jimmy Conner agreed.

"It is pretty obvious there is a lot of improvement that can be done out there," he said. "I have supreme confidence that he can get the job done."



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Area Briefs

EUSTIS

One arrested after stabbing in the backseat of a car

One person was taken to the hospital after being stabbed in the backseat of a vehicle in Eustis Tuesday evening and the suspect was arrested, according to police. Officer Robert Simken said the injury wasn't life threatening. The stabbing occurred in the Kurt Street area.

According to Simken, three men and one woman were traveling in the vehicle when a backseat passenger stabbed another backseat passenger. The driver pulled over quickly and the victim was taken to Orlando Regional Medical Center. The driver was also taken to the hospital because of blood pressure issues.

The attacker's name wasn't released Tuesday evening.

LEESBURG

Man arrested after pizza rolls dispute

A Leesburg man was arrested Monday after allegedly attacking his two roommates for cooking his food. Jordan David McCracken, 18, was charged with two counts of domestic battery and remained in the Lake County Jail Tuesday in lieu of \$2,000 bail.

According to an arrest affidavit, Lake County Sheriff's deputies responded to reports of a fight at the Ruby Street home just before 5:30 p.m. Monday. McCracken's sister and former girlfriend live in the home with him.

The women told deputies McCracken got upset after learning the former girlfriend was cooking his pizza rolls and he attempted to stop both women from eating them, kicked the stove and unplugged it. The women added they "feared" McCracken would hurt them and barricaded themselves in a bedroom. But McCracken allegedly broke down the bedroom door, knocking down both women. He then allegedly grabbed and shook his sister.

According to police, both women had visible scratches on them.

CLERMONT

Coast-to-coast bike trail funding coming

House Bill 5001, allocating \$15 million for work on a coast-to-coast bicycle trail that will cut through Lake and Sumter counties, was among 21 bills signed into law Monday by Gov. Rick Scott.

The project has been a priority for incoming Senate President Andy Gardiner, R-Orlando, especially since Scott vetoed a \$50 million allocation for the trail a year earlier.

The money would be used to start filling in gaps in Central Florida between existing bicycle and pedestrian trails on both of Florida's coasts. The largest gap remaining is a 30-mile stretch between the end of the Withlacoochee State Trail in northern Pasco County and the beginning of the South Lake Trail in south Lake County.

Closing the gap would take the trail from Pasco County through eastern Hernando County, through Sumter County near Webster, and east through Lake County to Clermont, where the South Lake Trail continues east to Orlando and beyond.

EUSTIS

Summer Camp 2014 begins next week

Summer Camp 2014, for boys and girls in grades K-5, begins Monday and runs until Aug. 13.

The camp will be held at the Recreation Department, 2214 E. Bates Ave., from 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily and will be closed on July 4. Registration fee is \$25 and is non-refundable. Camp costs are \$550 per child or \$85 per week per child and costs include all field trips and daily snacks. Payment plans are available. For information and registration, call 352-357-8510.

LADY LAKE

Son accused of trying to stab mother

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A Lady Lake man was arrested early Tuesday morning after his mother accused of him to trying to stab her to death.

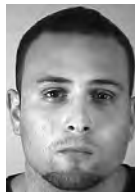
Justin A. Polito, 25, was charged with aggravated battery with a knife and he remained in the Lake County Jail Tuesday afternoon on \$30,500 bail.

According to an arrest

affidavit, Lady Lake police arrived at the mother's home late Monday night, where she said she had just escaped an unprovoked knife attack by her son.

The woman told police she was home when Polito walked into the apartment and said, "I'm going to kill you."

The mother added Polito



POLITO

grabbed a knife from the kitchen and attacked her, knocking her to the floor. She said he then put the knife to her neck and tried to cut her throat. The woman yelled "I'm your mother, you can't kill me please," and struggled with her son for about 10 to 15 minutes as she screamed for her life.

According to police, the mother said she was able to get up one time, only for Polito to knock her back down and continue to try to cut her throat. The woman finally was able to escape by getting up again and running to a neighbor's home.

It's not clear if the woman was injured and how police caught Polito, but he was also charged with resisting arrest.



HALIFAX MEDIA GROUP FILE PHOTO

Steve Scott, of Sarasota, president of 'All U.S. Citizens Should Vote' waits in line for former Gov. Charlie Crist who was in Sarasota for an evening fundraiser and book signing at a book store in Sarasota.

Voters are split

Candidates twist facts in campaign for governor

GARY FINEOUT
Associated Press

TALLAHASSEE — When it comes to talking about education in Florida, Gov. Rick Scott and former Gov. Charlie Crist and their campaign allies may need to hit the books.

The election is still five months away, but already there has been a flurry of press releases, staged media events and television ads where each side blames the other for everything from college tuition to education policy and education spending in the state. Crist, who is now a Democrat, is one of several candidates challenging the GOP incumbent but so far Republicans have largely targeted him.

The increased emphasis on education is an acknowledgment that the issue continues to resonate with voters. Even members of Scott's inner circle have long thought that his lackluster poll numbers track back to his decision to push cuts

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to school funding during his first year in office.



SCOTT



CRIST

Unfortunately for voters, sometimes what the parties and campaigns have said recently is wrong, misleading or exaggerated.

For example The Republican Party of Florida on Tuesday issued a press release comparing Crist's record on education to Scott's. It faulted Crist for vetoing spending on education projects like pilot reading programs and teacher training.

But one of the vetoes cited by the party actually stopped a 5 percent tuition hike for community college students. And the 2009 vetoes didn't cut education spending. Instead Crist was blocking cuts proposed by the Legislature. State legislators

held a special session that year to cut state spending because revenues were dropping that year.

"It was also very important to me that we preserve our investment in K-12 education by providing funds necessary to support Florida's classrooms and our teachers," Crist wrote back in 2009 when he announced he was blocking the cuts.

When asked about the release, GOP spokeswoman Susan Hepworth acknowledged it was a mistake and the party planned to correct it.

This week a campaign committee backing Scott's re-election launched a new television ad criticizing Crist for signing into law measures that allowed

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ASTATULA

Armed motorist charged with chasing people

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Astatula police said they arrested an armed Zellwood motorist on a number of charges early Monday after he was accused of pointing a gun at people and then fighting with responding officers.



MAHON

Police said when they reached the scene after receiving reports of an armed motorist driving recklessly and chasing people, they found the suspect, Gary Mark Mahon, smelling of alcohol, rambling about the

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EUSTIS

Construction worker accused of stealing from grade school

Staff Report

Two men, including one who worked at a construction site at Eustis Heights Elementary School, are accused of breaking into a trailer there to steal copper wire, police said.

Efrain Manuel Baez-Torres, 33, and Efrain David Baez-Torres, 30, both of Winter Springs, are charged with grand theft, burglary, possession of burglary tools, trespassing and criminal mischief.

Police said they responded after an alarm was triggered at about 2 a.m. Sunday. While searching the property, one officer said he found 12 spools of copper wire near a fence line.

The two suspects were also



MANUEL



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LEESBURG

Three men accused of stealing recyclable oil

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Three men traveling in a tanker truck early Monday morning were jailed after they were allegedly spotted siphoning used cooking oil from recycle tanks at various businesses.

According to Leesburg police, an employee of Ramshackle Café on North 14 Street, who said the business had a number of such thefts, noticed the tanker

truck in the parking lot of the closed cafe after midnight Sunday. The truck drove off after seeing her.

The woman followed the tanker to at least two other businesses, where she says she witnessed them stealing oil from other recycle tanks. When the men drove back to Ramshackle to allegedly hook up their hoses to her oil tank, she called police.

The suspects — driver

Vidal E. Funes, 57, of Groveland, and passengers Jose Manuel Marrero Huertas, 39, of Minneola, and Jorge David Camacho, 58, of Center Hill, were all placed in the Lake County Jail Tuesday in lieu of \$2,500 bail.

Capt. Rob Hicks, police spokesman, said on Tuesday that detectives were trying to determine how many businesses were victimized.

The truck, which police seized, is a white tanker with

green hoses connected to it.

According to an arrest report, after the woman initially spotted the tank, she followed them to Family Discount Mart on Griffin Road where she said they hooked up the hose to a recycle oil tank there. About 10 minutes later, the woman said the truck drove off and she followed it to a Burger King, also on North 14th Street,

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ARMED

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U.S. Marshal's office and speaking gibberish with a gun in his front pocket.

Mahon, 62, was jailed on a number of charges, including his second DUI, possession of a firearm while intoxicated, aggravated assault with a firearm, disorderly intoxication, carrying a concealed weapon and improper exhibition of a firearm.

He has been released from the Lake County Jail after posting a \$15,900 bail.

According to an arrest affidavit, police initially responded to a woman's call of a reckless driver in a white truck about 7:20 a.m. Monday on County Road 561 in Astatula. An officer in the area of CR 561 and County Road 48 said he spotted the vehicle as police received another call about the same truck swerving over the road and the driver pointing the gun at another man.

Police said when they caught up with Mahon, he was leaning against his white Ford

truck with its doors opened, the engine running, music blasting and an open bottle of Jameson Irish Whiskey was sitting on the driver's seat.

The affidavit adds when officers asked Mahon about the gun, he said his derringer was inside the vehicle but a pat down of the suspect revealed the pistol was in his front pocket — cocked with the safety off.

Police said while on the scene, another man arrived and said he was driving home when Mahon started chasing him. And when he pulled into his driveway, Mahon pulled in behind him and pulled a gun on him.

When officers began to question Mahon, he allegedly started rambling about church, speaking gibberish and saying something about the U.S. Marshal's office.

Mahon also was charged with battery on a law officer and four counts of resisting arrest after he was accused of struggling with officers and punching one in the mouth during their attempt to arrest him.

OBITUARIES

Jacquelyn Hester

Jacquelyn Hester, 90, resident of Altoona, FL died Monday, June 2, 2014. Jacky was born in Leesburg, FL on March 18, 1924 to Earle and Katherine Ross Hester and lived in Leesburg until moving to Lakeview Terrace Retirement Community in 2003. She was a fifth generation Floridian, descending from Thomas Robertson who homesteaded in the Leesburg area in 1842. After graduating from Leesburg High School in 1941, Jacky attended Camp Roosevelt, a National Youth Administration program where she received certificates in Sheet Metal Work and Radio Code & Theory. She was employed in 1942 by Pan American World Airways in Miami as the first female radio telegraph operator in commercial aviation. After World War II, she enrolled in Florida State University, receiving her BS degree in 1950. She returned to Lake County and taught mathematics at Leesburg High School for three years. She then became the office Manager and Secretary-Treasurer of the family business, Hester & Stinson Lumber Company. In 1961 she was asked by newly elected County Judge, William A. Milton, Jr., to become his Chief Clerk. Later Jacky became an instructor of accounting and allied business courses at the Lake County Area Vocational Center (now Lake Tech), retiring in 1984. Jacky was an avid learner. Af-

ter she completed her master's degree at the University of South Florida,

she enjoyed taking evening classes just for fun. When Lake-Sumter Junior College was established in Leesburg, she was one of the first to enroll in evening classes—such as art, investments, health, Spanish or genealogy. Jacky loved her hometown of Leesburg and sought ways to be involved. She served as Director and Treasurer of the Chamber of Commerce, President of the Business and Professional Women's Club, Corresponding Secretary of the state BPW and Treasurer of the Lake County Classroom Teachers. She was a lifetime member of the First Baptist Church and a strong supporter of the historic Lone Oak Cemetery. Jacky was the family historian and spent many hours researching the family history. Her papers have been deposited with the Leesburg Public Library. She was a lifetime member of the Leesburg Heritage Society and the Lake County Historical Society, serving as its president. Jacky loved to travel. With her good friend, Dixie Allen, she enjoyed trips to Europe, the British Isles, Africa, the Caribbean, Mexico, Central and South America, New Zealand, Canada and most of the 50 states. Jacky was predeceased by her parents, brother, Earle, Jr and sister-in-law, Mary



HESTER

IN MEMORY

Julia. She is survived by her sister, Erlaine of Altoona. Other survivors include nephew, Jeff (Doris) of East Lake Weir; great nephew, Jarrod (Kimberly), great-great niece, Julia of Miccanopy; great niece, Lindsay Nunez (Adam); great-great nephews, Connor and Wade of Gainesville; nephew, Judson (Mary Louise) of Tallahassee and great nephews, Paul of Miami and Pierce of Tallahassee. A graveside service will be held at Lone Oak Cemetery, Leesburg on Saturday, June 7, 2014 at 11:00 AM. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Lakeview Terrace Residents' Association Scholarship Fund, 331 Raintree Drive, Altoona, FL 32702. Online condolences may be left at www.beyersfuneralhome.com Arrangements entrusted to Beyers Funeral Home and Crematory, Leesburg, FL

Julie Ann Rood

Julie Ann Rood, 36, Okahumpka, FL went to be with the Lord on May 31, 2014 in Orlando, FL. Julie was born on April 23, 1978 in Warren, Ohio and had moved from Warren, Ohio to the Lake County area in 1985. She was of the Christian faith and attended Immanuel Baptist Church of Oxford and Faith World of Leesburg. Julie was a graduate of Tavares High School. A Celebration of Life Memorial Service will be held on Friday, June 6, 2014 at 10:00AM at Immanuel Baptist Church in Oxford, FL. In lieu of flowers the family has

requested donations to Rhonda Reese's Benefit Trust Fund in care of Citizens First Bank of the Villages at 1050 Lake Sumter Landing The Villages, FL 32162. Services entrusted to Page-Theus Funeral Home, Leesburg, FL. On line condolences and memories may be shared by visiting www.pagetheusfuneralhome.com

Tom Neil Tuttle

Tom Neil Tuttle, October 27, 1943 — May 19, 2014. Leesburg, Florida

"As a child growing up on a farm in Ohio, and an avid reader of National Geographic, I wondered what I would do as a grown up. Well, the answer



TUTTLE

was on the pages of that magazine. I wanted to do everything and go everywhere. I covered half the planet as a sailor and travel photographer/film maker. I have had lots of money and had none. Had a fabulous job at 20th Century-Fox in Hollywood and a crazy job harvesting corn for the Jolly Green Giant. Loved them both and everything in between. I have flown a Cessna 150 and a F1-11 Phantom fighter jet (for just a minute). I am on a waiting list for a seat on a Virgin Galactic space flight in 2014. I got a golden E-Ticket when I was born, and it is now so worn and tattered that you can hardly read it. But it is still good for one lifetime, my holiday on planet earth."

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Plus it was House Speaker Will Weatherford who just a year ago contended that college tuition in Florida was affordable. During a meeting before the state panel that oversees state universities Weatherford held up a iPhone and said that most college students in Florida were paying roughly the same amount for their phone bills as they were for college.

The exaggerations are coming

"For three years, Floridians have witnessed the devastating effects Rick Scott has had on public education. Now, in addition to running for re-election, Rick Scott is trying to run from his record of slashing education funding while lining the pockets of special interests and top campaign contributors."

Allison Tant, chair of the Florida Democratic Party

from the Democrats as well.

Florida Democrats launched a hard-hitting web video this week that faulted Scott for approving \$1.3 billion in cuts to schools back in 2011.

In a written statement Allison Tant, the chair of the Florida Democratic Party, said that "for three years, Floridians have witnessed the devastating effects Rick Scott has had on public education. Now, in addition to running for re-election, Rick Scott is trying to run from his record of slashing education funding while lining the pockets of special interests and top campaign contributors."

But Tant's statement ignores the fact that state legislators have boosted spending on public schools recently, including a decision to set aside nearly \$500 million last year for teacher salary increases.

Kevin Cate, a spokesman for Crist, has also told reporters that Scott's "first budget cut education by \$4.8 billion so he could give tax breaks to his corporate contributors."

Scott did recommend large cuts during his first year in office, but they were actually part of a two-year budget proposal that was not adopted by state legislators.

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where the men allegedly hooked up to another recyclable oil tank and drove off about 10 minutes later before heading back to Ramshackle.

When the truck returned to Ramshackle, the woman said she started taking pictures and the men fled again. She continued following the truck as it passed Herlong Park and officers intercepted the vehicle nearby.

The report adds Funes admitted to officers he owned the Green Future Holdings Recycling in Groveland and he and his employees drive around searching for oil containers that are not locked.

Police said the Perkins restaurant on U.S. Highway 27 may also have been victimized.

According to a December 2013 article in the *Ocala Star-Banner*, the State Attorney's Office decided not to press similar charges against Funes and Camacho, as well as another Center Hill man, Jason Rivera.

Police had stopped Camacho and Rivera, and accused them of driving around Ocala last September, looking for used cooking oil storage tanks behind local businesses. The *Star-Banner* article adds Funes told officials he had been operating the business for about three months and believed it was legal to pick up used cooking oil because "the Internet said so."

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found near the fence line and taken into custody. Police said Manuel had a backpack containing a battery-operated saw that officers suspect was used to cut off a lock at the trailer.

A K-9 was called to the scene and backtracked from where the suspects were apprehended to the trailer, where police said they found similar spools of copper wire.

The two suspects said they were dropped off at the school by a third person, whom they refused to identify, according to an arrest affidavit.

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\$15 minimum wage permits few luxuries

DONNA GORDON BLANKINSHIP
Associated Press

SEATTLE — A \$15 minimum wage like the one adopted in Seattle doesn't buy many luxuries in most American cities.

Lattes, theater tickets and cable television will still be out of reach for most minimum-wage workers. But about \$31,000 a year should be enough to pay the average rent for a shared one-bedroom apartment, plus utilities, health insurance, groceries and an inexpensive cellphone plan.

Monday's vote by the Seattle City Council created the nation's highest minimum wage. The state minimum wage in Washington was already \$9.32 an hour, the highest state wage in the U.S.

Expatistan, a website that tracks the cost of

living in cities around the world, says New York, San Francisco, Washington, D.C., Honolulu, Boston and Seattle are the most expensive U.S. cities overall, in that order.

An Associated Press comparison of the cost of living in several other major U.S. cities shows a higher wage would make a difference in those places too, but it won't allow for many extras.

NEW YORK CITY

- **MINIMUM WAGE:** \$8
- **RENT:** The median Manhattan rent is \$3,420, according to a recent report.
- **GAS:** A gallon of gas is \$3.93.
- **TRANSPORTATION:** A ride on the subway is \$2.50. The average taxi fare is a bit over \$15.
- **MILK/COFFEE/OTHER:** A large coffee at Star-



AP PHOTO

Wendy Harrison, a waitress at the Icon Grill in Seattle, picks up a food order as she works during lunchtime.

bucks is about \$2.45. A gallon of milk is just over \$4. A foot-long sandwich at Subway is \$6.90.

New York's minimum wage, which is set by the state, is slated to rise to \$8.75 on Dec. 31 and then \$9 at the end of next year. Gov. Andrew Cuomo has recently opened the door to let cities set their own minimum wage at 30 percent

higher than the \$10.10 proposed by President Barack Obama, which could mean a \$13 wage in New York's future.

SEATTLE

- **MINIMUM WAGE:** \$9.32
- **RENT:** A typical one-bedroom apartment goes for \$1,400 a month.
- **GAS:** A gallon of gas is \$3.94.

- **TRANSPORTATION:** A ride on the bus is \$2.50.
- **MILK/COFFEE/OTHER:** A gallon of milk averages about \$3.60. A 16-ounce latte at Starbucks is \$3.35, a pint of local beer \$4.50.

Seattle's wage is set to begin climbing in April 2015, with many workers reaching \$11 an hour next year. That will surpass San Francisco's minimum wage, which at \$10.55 an hour is currently the highest of any American city.

MIAMI

- **MINIMUM WAGE:** \$7.93
- **RENT:** The median rent in Miami is \$2,329, according to Zillow.
- **COFFEE:** A large coffee is about \$3.
- **TRANSPORTATION:** Regular gas in Miami costs about \$3.50 a gallon, a basic bus ride

\$2.25. Cab fares are \$2.50 for the first sixth of a mile and then 40 cents per sixth of a mile.

■ **MILK/OTHER:** About \$4 a gallon for milk, and a quality sub is about \$8.

CHICAGO

- **MINIMUM WAGE:** \$8.25
 - **RENT:** The median rent price in Chicago is \$1,550, according to Zillow.
 - **GAS:** A gallon of regular gasoline surpasses \$4, behind only Los Angeles and San Francisco on a list of major cities.
 - **TRANSPORTATION:** A bus fare is \$2. Rides on the El trains are \$2.25.
- Mayor Rahm Emanuel has formed a task force to study the minimum-wage issue, and a group of City Council members have already proposed an ordinance to phase in a \$15 wage.

Midwest VA hospitals also had secret waiting lists

JOHN MILBURN
Associated Press

TOPEKA, Kan. — The problems with delayed care and unauthorized wait lists that caused a furor at a Veterans Affairs health care campus in Arizona existed at several facilities in the Midwest, but in much smaller numbers, VA officials said in letters to two U.S. senators.

The Department of Veterans Affairs maintained 10 such "secret waiting lists" of military veterans in need of care at facilities in Kansas, Missouri, Illinois and Indiana, the letters said. They also said at least 96 veterans waited more than 90 days for treatment at seven facilities in those states, including 26 in St. Louis and 19 in Columbia, Missouri.

The letters said that eight of the 10 lists "served to complement authorized lists to more fully support Veteran care and access." But the two other lists, including one at the Wichita facility, "placed Veterans at risk."

The information about conditions in the VA's Heartland Network was sent to U.S. Sens. Pat Roberts and Jerry Moran of Kansas late last week, as the VA released a summary of 216 site-specific audits detailing widespread falsification of waiting list records and unreported treatment delays at VA facilities nationwide. In that release, the VA did

not reveal any information about conditions at individual sites.

The VA is conducting a system-wide investigation after it was found that the Phoenix VA Health Care System had about 1,700 veterans in need of care on secret waiting lists, and another that had 1,400 waited over 90 days for primary care appointments. The scandal led to the resignation last week of Veterans Affairs Secretary Eric Shinseki.

Roberts said Tuesday he wanted more answers about conditions at the Robert J. Dole Veterans Administration Medical Center in Wichita and the other facilities. One letter said 21 veterans waited longer for 90 days for care in Wichita; the second put that total at nine. Roberts said he had earlier been assured by VA officials there were no such problems at the hospital.

"My top priority is who is on that secret list and what is the status of their care?" Roberts said.

The letters were sent to the senators by Francisco Vasquez, director of the Dole medical

center, and Dr. William P. Patterson, the director of the VA's Heartland Network. The two senators said they forwarded the information in the letters to the VA's Office of Inspector General.

The letters were first reported by *The Wichita Eagle*. They both said the practices had been "immediately discontinued" and veterans were being contacted to ensure they are receiving care.

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SOLDIER

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they would do so in Bergdahl's case, despite the soldier's five years as a Taliban prisoner.

Bergdahl was handed over to U.S. Army special forces Saturday in exchange for the release of five detainees at the Guantanamo Bay, Cuba detention facility.

Service members who are missing in action routinely continue to be promoted on the same schedule as their peers. But, Dempsey said, "his status has now changed, and therefore the requirements for promo-

tion are more consistent with normal duty status." As a result, he said, other things needed for promotion, such as proper levels of education and job performance, would now apply. That makes Bergdahl's promotion less automatic.

There are a variety of offenses related to an absence without proper approval, and a number of potential actions could be taken by the military. He could be tried by court martial under the Uniform Code of Military Justice for desertion; he could be given a non-judicial punishment for a lesser charge, such as being away without leave.

And he could be given credit for time already served while he was a prisoner.

Dempsey stressed that any decision would be up to the Army.

He said he has not yet spoken to Bergdahl or his parents since the release, noting that medical personnel want him to come to grips first with his new freedom and status.

Members of Bergdahl's unit and military officials have complained that Bergdahl's decision to leave his base unarmed put his fellow soldiers in danger and that some were killed in missions that included looking for him.



PATRICK SEMANSKY / AP

A worker inspects the underside of the Interstate 495 bridge over the Christina River near Wilmington, Del., on Tuesday after it was closed due to the discovery of four tilting columns.

Important East Coast highway bridge crumbling

RANDALL CHASE
Associated Press

WILMINGTON, Del. — Highway engineers say a crucial bridge on the Eastern Seaboard's interstate highway system could imperil drivers if traffic is allowed back on it.

The bridge, near Wilmington Delaware, was closed Monday when its support pillars were found to be tilting. The bridge won't reopen anytime soon, highway officials said Tuesday, and the 90,000 vehicles that cross it every day are being diverted onto the main north highway, I-95, further overloading one of the most crowded arteries in America.

It's the latest crisis involving the half-century-old interstate system.

Engineers say ground under the pillars moved and caused the supports to tilt on the Interstate 495 bridge. Officials said Tuesday they believe the bridge over the

An Associated Press analysis of more than 600,000 bridges last year showed that more than 65,000 were classified as "structurally deficient" and more than 20,000 as "fracture critical."

Christina River is stable enough to support itself, but that re-opening it to traffic could overload the structure.

Tripp Shenton, an expert on bridge superstructures and chairman of the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering at the University of Delaware, said it would be tough to speculate on how close the bridge might have been to collapsing while carrying traffic.

"I don't know that anybody at this point would be able to answer that, just because they

don't know how quickly this movement has occurred," he said. "We really don't know, and the engineers are still doing their analysis to look at the structure as it exists right now."

Four pairs of 50-foot columns have been found to be leaning, with the top of one column roughly two feet out of line with the bottom. The closing forces more traffic onto I-95, which runs through downtown Wilmington, and already is heavily clogged during the morning and afternoon rush hours.

Engineers are conducting tests to determine the exact cause of the problem. No exact timetable for the bridge to reopen has been determined.

"It's not going to be open anytime soon," said state Transportation Secretary Shailen Bhatt said in an interview Tuesday with The Associated Press.

An Associated Press analysis of more than 600,000 bridges last year showed that more than 65,000 were classified as "structurally deficient" and more than 20,000 as "fracture critical." Of those, nearly 8,000 were both — a combination of red flags that experts say indicate significant disrepair and similar risk of collapse.

The now-closed Delaware bridge was classified as "fracture critical." A bridge is deemed that when it doesn't have redundant protections and is at risk of collapse if a single component fails.

A section of a Washington state bridge collapsed last year when it was struck by a truck with an oversize load, sending a car and pickup truck into the water. Three people were rescued.

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Security kept tight on eve of Tiananmen anniversary

CHRISTOPHER BODEEN
Associated Press

BEIJING — Beijing put additional police on the streets and detained government critics Tuesday as part of a security crackdown on the eve of the 25th anniversary of the crushing of pro-democracy protests centered on the capital's Tiananmen Square.

Police manned checkpoints, and officers and paramilitary troops patrolled pedestrian overpasses and streets surrounding the square.

The increased security comes on top of heightened restrictions on political activists, artists, lawyers and other government critics. Dozens have been taken into detention, forced out of Beijing or confined to their homes in other parts of the country.

"June 4 has come again and the plainclothes officers are here to protect us. I can't leave the house to travel or lecture," Jiangsu province-based environmental activist Wu Lihong said in a text message.

Artist and former activist Guo Jian was also taken away by authorities on Sunday night, shortly after a profile of him appeared in the Financial Times newspaper in commemoration of the crackdown's anniversary. As he was being detained, Guo, an Australian citizen, told an Associated Press reporter he would be held until June 15.

A writer and officer of



KIN CHEUNG / AP

Police officers try to stop a protester throwing "ghost money" into the Chinese liaison office in Hong Kong Tuesday to mark the 25th anniversary of China's crackdown on pro-democracy protests on Tiananmen Square on June 4. The banners read from left, "Stop one party rule in China," "Memorial" and "Demand accountability for the massacre."

the Independent Chinese PEN Center, who writes under the name Ye Du, was also taken from his home in the southern city of Guangzhou to join a forced "tour trip," his wife, Wan Haitao, said by phone. Such compulsory trips are a common method of keeping government critics under 24-hour watch without the need to initiate legal proceedings.

In an apparent sign of government nervousness, connections to the global Internet appeared to have been disrupted, with Google's mail and other services mostly inaccessible. China already routinely blocks popular overseas social media sites such as Twitter and YouTube and heavily censors Chinese sites for politically sensitive content.

China allows no public discussion of the events of June 3-4, 1989, when soldiers accompanied by

tanks and armored personnel carriers fought their way into the heart of the city, killing hundreds of unarmed protesters and onlookers. The government has never issued a complete, formal accounting of the crackdown and the number of casualties.

Beijing's official verdict is that the student-led protests aimed to topple the ruling Communist Party and plunge China into chaos. Protest leaders said they were merely seeking greater democracy and freedom, along with an end to corruption and favoritism within the party.

Asked about the crackdown at a regularly scheduled news conference, Foreign Ministry spokesman Hong Lei did not refer directly to Tiananmen Square or the military crackdown. "Regarding the political incident which happened in the late 1980s

in China, as well as issues related to it, the Chinese government reached a conclusion a long time ago," Hong said before launching into a defense of China's economic reforms that have created a burgeoning middle class amid relative political stability.

Hong also denied cases of political persecution, saying: "In China, there are only law offenders. The so-called dissidents as you mentioned do not exist."

Authorities regularly tighten security ahead of June 4, but this year's suppression is notably harsher than in the past. Activists who previously received no more than a warning have been taken into custody and police have told foreign journalists they would face unspecified serious consequences for covering sensitive issues ahead of the anniversary.

"I urge the Chinese

authorities to immediately release those detained for the exercise of their human right to freedom of expression," U.N. Commissioner for Human Rights Navi Pillay said in a statement Tuesday. She also criticized authorities' restrictions on social media and the press around the anniversary.

Pillay called for a truth-seeking process into the events a quarter-century ago. "It is in the interests of everyone to finally establish the facts surrounding the Tiananmen Square incidents," she said.

A French broadcaster said its journalists were interrogated for six

hours by Beijing police when they were found interviewing people on the street about the events 25 years ago.

Despite China's discouragement, the crackdown is recalled with rallies and commemorations in Chinese communities worldwide, especially in Hong Kong, a former British colony that has retained its own legal system and civil liberties since returning to Chinese rule in 1997.

Thousands marched through the city on Sunday in remembrance of the crackdown, and organizers said they expected about 150,000 people to join a candlelight vigil in a city park Wednesday.

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Obama boosting US military effort in Europe

JULIE PACE

AP White House Correspondent

WARSAW, Poland — President Barack Obama pledged Tuesday to boost U.S. military deployments and exercises throughout Europe, an effort costing as much as \$1 billion to demonstrate American solidarity with a continent rattled by Russia's intervention in Ukraine.

But even as Obama warned that Moscow could face further punishments, leaders of Britain, France and Germany were lining up to meet with Russian President Vladimir Putin at week's end.

Those one-on-one meetings would appear to send a mixed message about the West's approach to relations with Russia, given that the same leaders are also boycotting a summit Putin had been scheduled to host this week.

Obama does not plan to hold a formal meeting with Putin while both attend events Friday marking the 70th anniversary of the D-Day invasion that hastened the end of World War II, though the two leaders are likely to have some



CHARLES DHARAPAK / AP

U.S. President Barack Obama and Poland's President Bronislaw Komorowski make statements and meet with U.S. and Polish troops at an event featuring four F-16 fighter jets, two American and two Polish, as part of multinational military exercise in Warsaw, Poland on Tuesday.

interaction. The U.S. president suggested there was no contradiction between efforts to isolate Russia and engaging directly with Putin.

"The fact of the matter is that Russia is a significant country with incredibly gifted people, resources, an enormous

land mass, and they rightfully play an important role on the world stage and in the region," Obama said during a news conference with Polish President Bronislaw Komorowski. He added that it could be possible for Putin to "rebuild some of the trust that's been shattered during this past year" but

said that would take time.

Western leaders, including Obama, have spoken with Putin by phone multiple times since Russia annexed the Crimean Peninsula from Ukraine and stationed tens of thousands of troops on its border with the former Soviet republic. But until this week,

they've avoided face-to-face meetings with Putin to avoid giving the impression that the Russian leader can slide back into normal relationships with U.S. and European leaders that have accused him of stoking instability in Ukraine.

Putin's meetings this week will be closely watched by Poland and other Central and Eastern European nations. Many countries in the regions have been pressing for broader NATO assistance to serve as a buffer in case Russia tries to advance beyond Ukraine.

Obama's announcement Tuesday of a "European Reassurance Initiative," costing up to \$1 billion, was aimed at quelling some of that anxiety. It marks a significant departure from a two-decade trend toward a smaller U.S. military presence in Europe amid a shift by the Obama administration to a more visible and active naval and air power presence in the Asia-Pacific region. Just three years ago the Pentagon downgraded the top U.S. Army Europe commander from a four-star to a three-star general.

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Syrians vote for president as civil war continues

DIAA HADID and ALBERT AJI
Associated Press

DAMASCUS, Syria — Against a backdrop of civil war, tens of thousands of Syrians voted in government-controlled cities and towns Tuesday to give President Bashar Assad a new seven-year mandate, with some even marking the ballots with their own blood.

The carefully choreographed election was ignored and even mocked in opposition-held areas of Syria where fighting persisted, with some rebels derisively dropping their shoes in a phony ballot box in a show of disgust. Western leaders also called it a sham.

A victory for Assad is likely to bolster his base of support at home and provide further evidence that he has no intention of relinquishing power, making a protracted conflict the likely outcome in fighting that has already lasted three years.

Fears that the rebels would rain down mortar shells on government-controlled territory did not materialize, but fighting persisted.

State-run media reported that voting closed on midnight Tuesday, and election officials began the process of checking the number of votes against lists of registered voters to ensure numbers matched. In one central Damascus voting booth, 2,196 people cast their ballots — all but two were for Assad, counted an AP reporter who watched representatives of each presidential candidate tally votes.

The announcement was accompanied by wild beeping and cheering in central Damascus by Assad supporters. It was not immediately clear when election results would be announced.

Earlier in Damascus, the dull sounds of explosions reverberated in the

distance as government forces and rebels battled in nearby rural towns and plumes of gray smoke marked the skyline. Several mortar rounds reportedly hit in the capital, including one that fell near the Opera House on a major plaza.

At least three fighter jets roared low over the city, which residents said was unusual. Government warplanes and helicopters pounded the rebellious Damascus suburb of Daraya, the southern city of Daraa and the nearby town of Nawa, as well as opposition-held districts of the divided northern city of Aleppo.

Voting took place only in government-controlled areas, excluding much of northern and eastern Syria. Tens of thousands of Syrians abroad voted last week, although many of the more than 2.7 million Syrian refugees across the region either abstained or were excluded by law.

There were ostentatious shows of support for the 48-year-old Assad, who has ruled Syria since 2000, when he took over after the death of his father, Hafez. There was a carnival-like atmosphere, with voters singing, banging drums and dancing with Syrian flags. Chants of "God, Syria and Bashar!" were heard.

At a polling station in the upscale Dama Rose hotel in central Damascus, a blue cup filled with pins was set out for those who wanted to vote in blood. Some pricked their fingers repeatedly to draw enough blood to mark the circle under Assad's name on the ballot — an act of allegiance and patriotism that has been used in previous elections under both Assads.

Most voted in ink, though, and some made their choice for Assad in full sight of other voters and TV cameras instead of using a curtained booth for privacy.

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Politics shaping searches for state university presidents

As Florida State University prepares to interview a politician to be its president, the University of Florida is trying the opposite approach.

UF trustees last week approved a 25-point list of qualifications that they're seeking in the next university president. The job description calls for a leader with a "distinguished academic career."

In contrast, Florida State's presidential search committee has so far decided to interview only state Sen. John Thrasher for the job. The group has suspended its hunt for other candidates until Thrasher, a former Florida House speaker who chairs Gov. Rick Scott's re-election campaign, is interviewed this month.

Thrasher also has had stints as state Republican Party chairman and as a lobbyist. His academic experience is limited to serving on Florida State's board of trustees.

While the ability to raise money and work with lawmakers are qualities that a public university president needs, that UF is emphasizing academic experience in its credentials is laudable. But that doesn't mean that politics has been taken out of its search process.

UF is about six months removed from the governor blowing up its last search. Scott met with a potential candidate for the job before reportedly asking UF President Bernie Machen to postpone his retirement.

That has worked out well so far for UF, given that the university has been allocated tens of millions of dollars in its bid to be a top-10 public university. But now that UF has resumed its search, it is an open question whether politics will influence the process or the threat of that happening will scare away quality candidates.

UF has touted the transparency in its search process, but the reality is far different. Buried in a UF trustee's letter announcing the new qualifications was news that the university hired Jan Greenwood, who worked on its last two presidential searches, again as a search consultant.

Greenwood has been critical of Florida's Sunshine Law for keeping top candidates from seeking the job. The university is again following the formula used during past searches, in which the real work happens behind the scenes.

Top candidates formally apply at the last minute before a three-day interview process, limiting public scrutiny and increasing the possibility of out-of-sight political interference.

Florida has a long history of using state college and university presidencies for political patronage. Today our higher education system is chock full of former pols who needed a job after they left Tallahassee. But in an increasingly challenging global marketplace where education and skills are more and more critical, it would seem obvious that academic leadership at our colleges and universities is much more important to long-term success than currying political favor.

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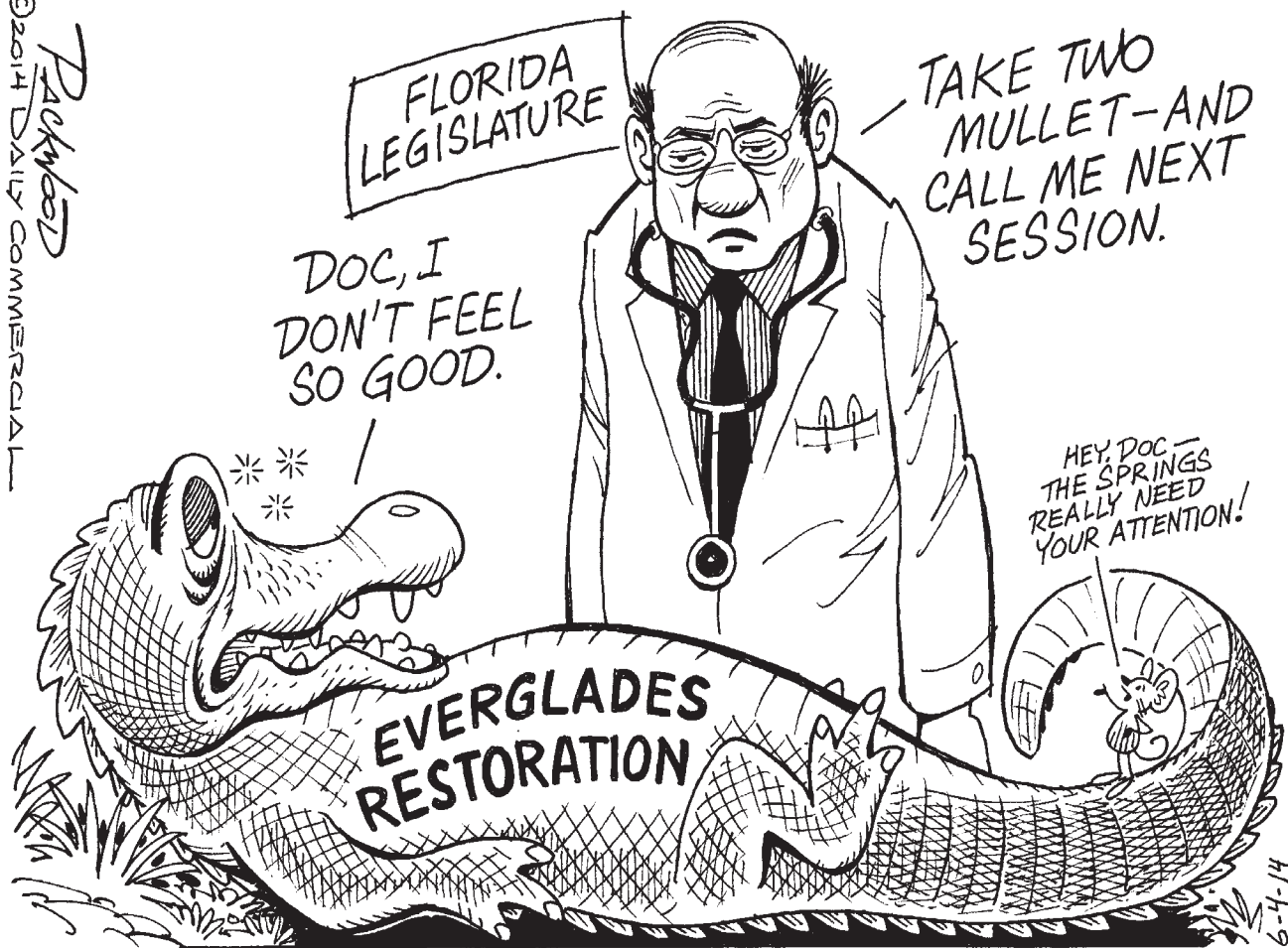
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OTHER VOICES

Negotiating with terrorists may have severe consequences for US

Euphoria over the Taliban's release of Army Sgt. Bowe Bergdahl was quickly tempered by media reports that Bergdahl had abandoned his post and that his father made comments opposing the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. Bergdahl's father tweeted, "I am still working to free all Guantanamo prisoners. God will repay for the death of every Afghan child."

Does that include those children killed while being used as human shields by the Taliban? Where is Bergdahl's concern for women who die from "honor killings" and for girls who are denied an education?

The up-front cost of this "prisoner exchange" is the release of five terrorists from the U.S. prison at Guantanamo Bay. Future costs could be much higher. Not to mention the fact that news of the controversial exchange knocked reports on the VA fiasco right off the front pages. Was this partly the administration's intent?

Official U.S. policy has been "we don't negotiate with terrorists." Except when we do. Sgt. Bergdahl, America's only prisoner of war, was reportedly in failing health after more than five years in captivity and negotiations to secure his release were urgent and laborious, but freeing five dangerous men to secure the release of one soldier could very well put this country in increased danger. What should we have done? It depends upon the outcome one is seeking. If rescuing one man is paramount, then any price is worth it. But if that rescue leads to the deaths of others, as is likely, then the price is too high.

In a joint statement following President Obama's announcement of the terrorists' release, House Armed Services Committee Chairman Howard P. McKeon (R-Calif.), and Sen. James Inhofe (R-Okla.), the ranking Republican on the Senate Armed Services



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Committee, spoke of "consequences for the rest of our forces and all Americans. Our terrorist adversaries now have a strong incentive to capture Americans."

The five terrorists include two senior militant commanders alleged to have been implicated in murdering thousands of Shiites in Afghanistan. The five have been shipped to Qatar. President Obama says the Qatari government has assured him they will be subjected to security restrictions and won't be a threat to the U.S. How does he know this? Even in a "moderate" Muslim state like Qatar, Islamic blood is thicker than the "water" of infidels.

The prisoner release is another in a growing list of executive actions that bypass Congress, which has imposed strict statutory restrictions on moving detainees out of Gitmo. These include a determination by the secretary of defense that any transfers are in America's national security interests;

that procedures are in place to substantially mitigate any future threats by the terrorists and most importantly, that Congress receives notification 30 days before any planned release. Congress received no such notice. Once again, President Obama has circumvented the law.

The track record of previous terrorist prisoners released from Gitmo is not a reason for confidence. According to a recent U.S. intelligence report, 603 prisoners have been freed from Guantanamo; 100 of them are confirmed to have returned to terrorism, and another 74 former inmates are suspected of returning to terrorism.

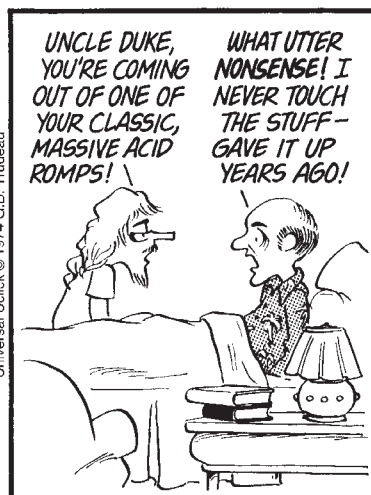
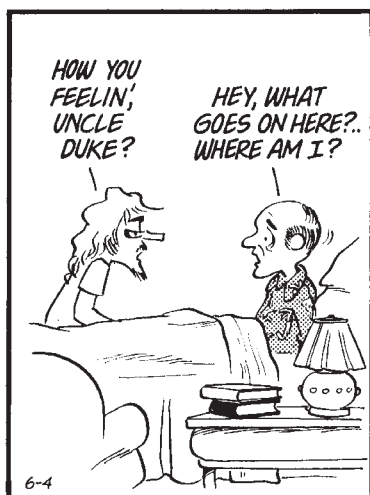
Wayne Simmons, a former CIA operative, told Foxnews.com what he observed during several visits to Gitmo: "These guys come in wounded, they take care of their wounds. No limbs? We give them brand new prostheses. Turn them loose, guy goes home, picks up arms and uses that leg to help kill us."

Brigadier General Jay Hood, who once ran Gitmo, confirmed this scenario in testimony before a House panel in 2005. About a detainee named Abdullah Mehsud, Gen. Hood said, "He came to us without one leg ... we fitted him with a prosthetic leg before he left while in U.S. custody." The cost was reported to be between \$50,000 and \$75,000. After his release, Pakistani officials say he directed an attack in Pakistan that killed 31 people. Two months later he blew himself up to avoid capture.

Radical Islamists are serious about killing in pursuit of their extreme objectives. Releasing their soldiers can only embolden them to take more Americans hostage. The deal for Sgt. Bergdahl may well turn out to have been a bargain with the devil.

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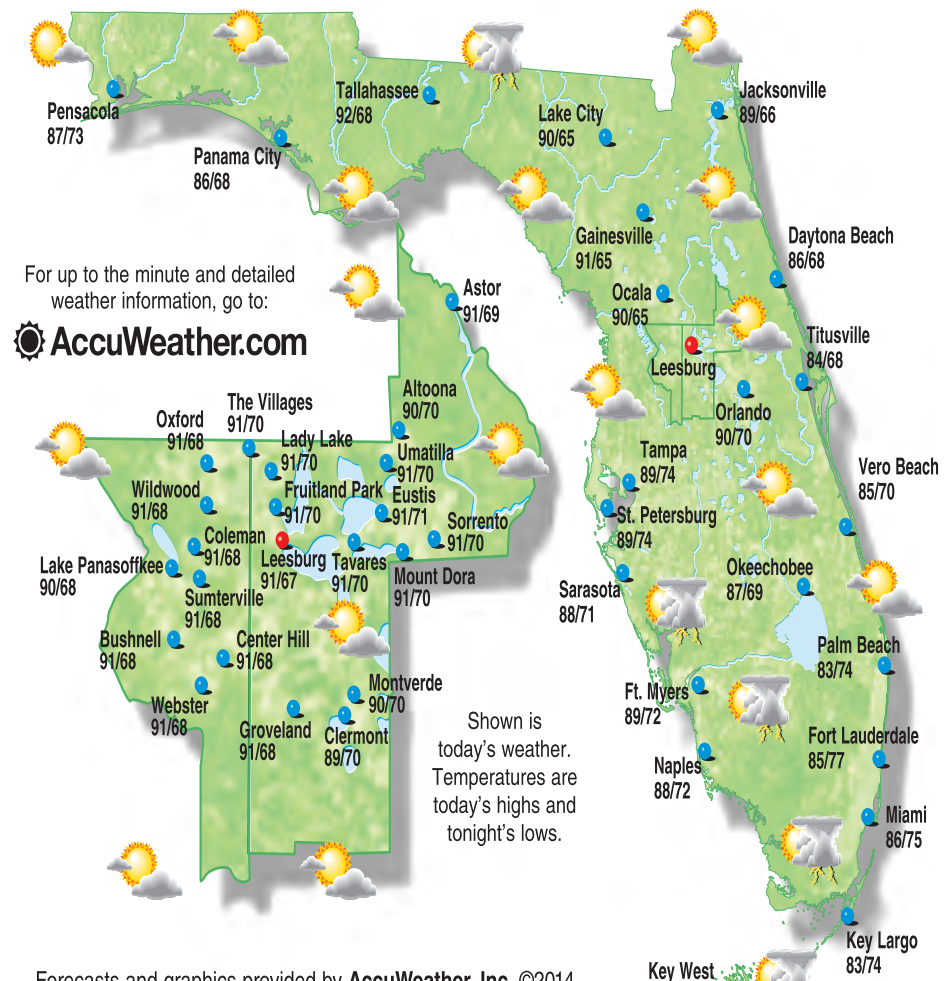


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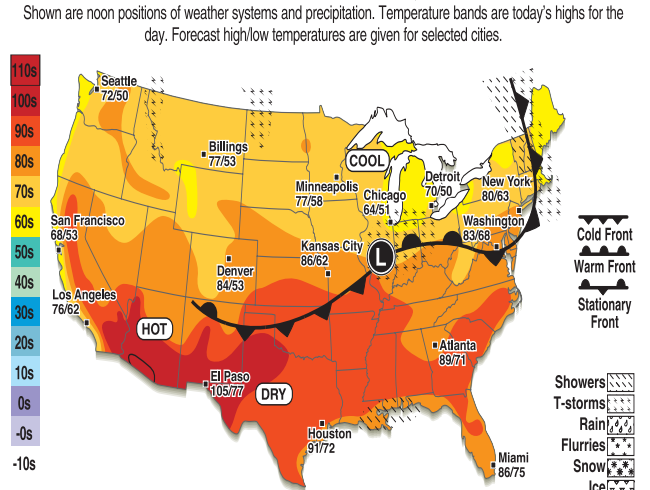
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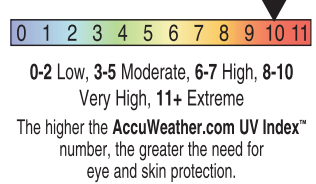
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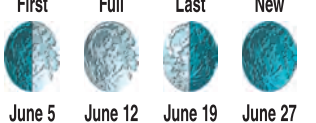


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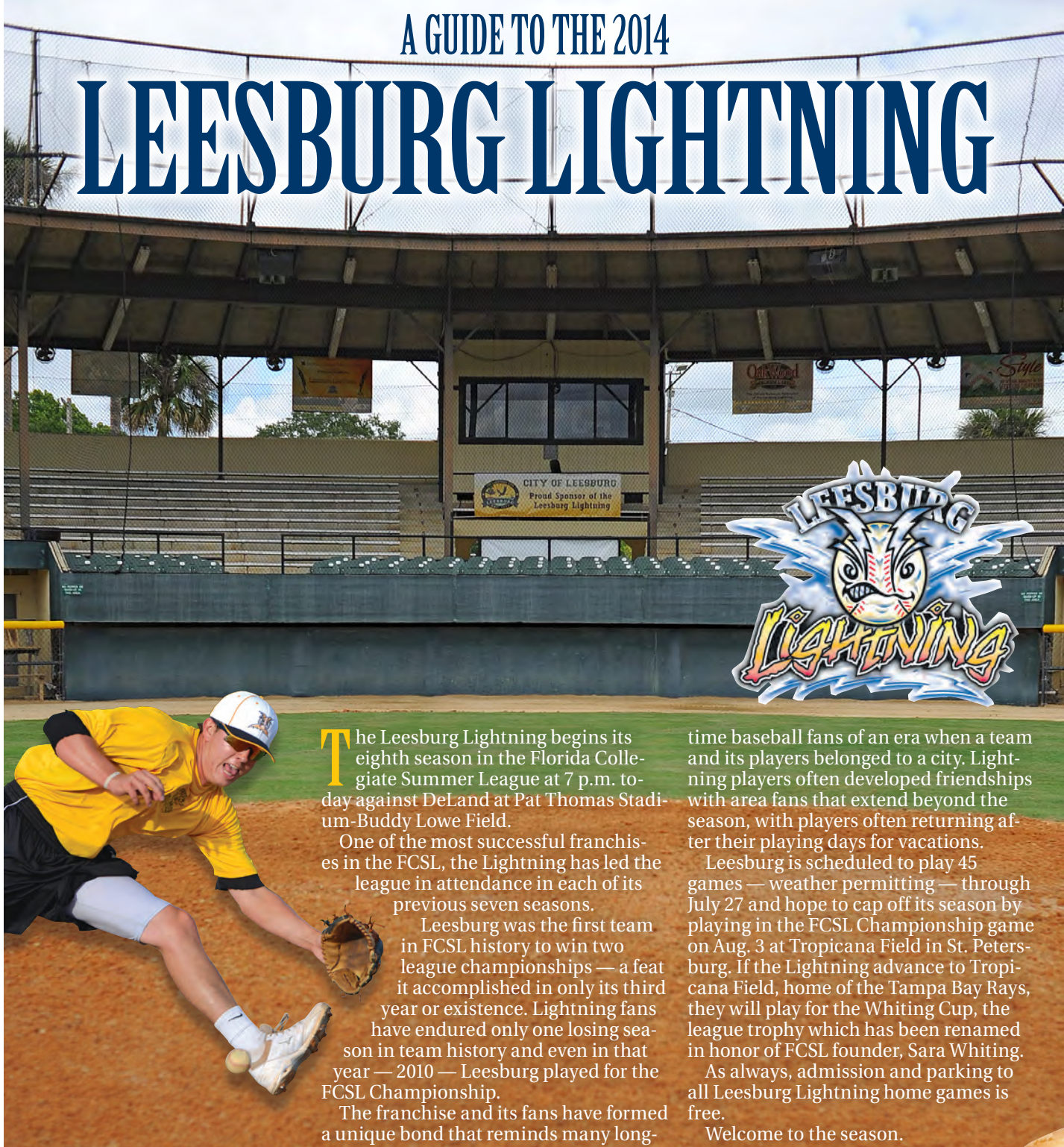
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The Leesburg Lightning begins its eighth season in the Florida Collegiate Summer League at 7 p.m. today against DeLand at Pat Thomas Stadium-Buddy Lowe Field. One of the most successful franchises in the FCSL, the Lightning has led the league in attendance in each of its previous seven seasons. Leesburg was the first team in FCSL history to win two league championships — a feat it accomplished in only its third year of existence. Lightning fans have endured only one losing season in team history and even in that year — 2010 — Leesburg played for the FCSL Championship. The franchise and its fans have formed a unique bond that reminds many long-

time baseball fans of an era when a team and its players belonged to a city. Lightning players often developed friendships with area fans that extend beyond the season, with players often returning after their playing days for vacations. Leesburg is scheduled to play 45 games — weather permitting — through July 27 and hope to cap off its season by playing in the FCSL Championship game on Aug. 3 at Tropicana Field in St. Petersburg. If the Lightning advance to Tropicana Field, home of the Tampa Bay Rays, they will play for the Whiting Cup, the league trophy which has been renamed in honor of FCSL founder, Sara Whiting. As always, admission and parking to all Leesburg Lightning home games is free. Welcome to the season.

Gators top Bama to win WCWS

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The University of Florida got to Alabama's highly touted starter Jaclyn Traina for the second time in two nights on Tuesday to give the Gators their first Women's College World Series title in school history. Florida wrapped up the season with a 55-12 record, while Alabama fell to 53-13. The Gators put the game away with four runs in the second inning. Former South Sumter High School standout Kirsti Merritt led the onslaught with a home run. Merritt finished the game going 1-for-4 with three RBIs. She wrapped up her sophomore season with a .299 batting. Lauren Haeger started for Florida and pitched three innings before giving way to Delanie Gourley, who tossed a pair of shutout frames. Gators' ace Hannah Rogers sealed the win with two solid innings. Rogers gave up two hits and one run.

California Chrome on target for Belmont Stakes

MIKE FARRELL
Associated Press

NEWYORK — Art Sherman got his first glimpse of California Chrome in action in two weeks, and the trainer liked what he saw. Sherman arrived in New York on Monday afternoon and watched his Triple Crown contender gallop at Belmont Park on Tuesday morning. It was the first time Sherman had observed the chestnut colt since he captured the Preakness. "I thought he looked better now than he did after the Preakness," Sherman said. "I couldn't believe how much weight he put on. Going on the Triple Crown trail, it's kind of rough. He's an amazing horse." California Chrome will try for the first Triple Crown since Affirmed in 1978 on Saturday in the \$1.5 million Belmont Stakes. The flashy 3-year-old with four white feet will be the heavy favorite in the 1½-mile Belmont, known as the "Test of the Champion" for its history of crushing Triple Crown

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JUNE 18, 7 p.m. vs. Winter Park, \$2 Hot Dog and Soda Night
JUNE 24, 7 p.m. vs. Sanford, Insight Credit Union Night
JULY 1, 7 p.m. vs. College Park, Lake County Economic Development and Tourism Day
JULY 4, 6 p.m. vs. Winter Park, Independence Day/Fireworks
JULY 16, 7 p.m. vs. Winter Garden, Team Picture Day and \$1 Hot Dog
JULY 17, 5 p.m. vs. Winter Park, Host Family Appreciation Night
JULY 18, 7 p.m. vs. Sanford, Ro-Mac Lumber Night

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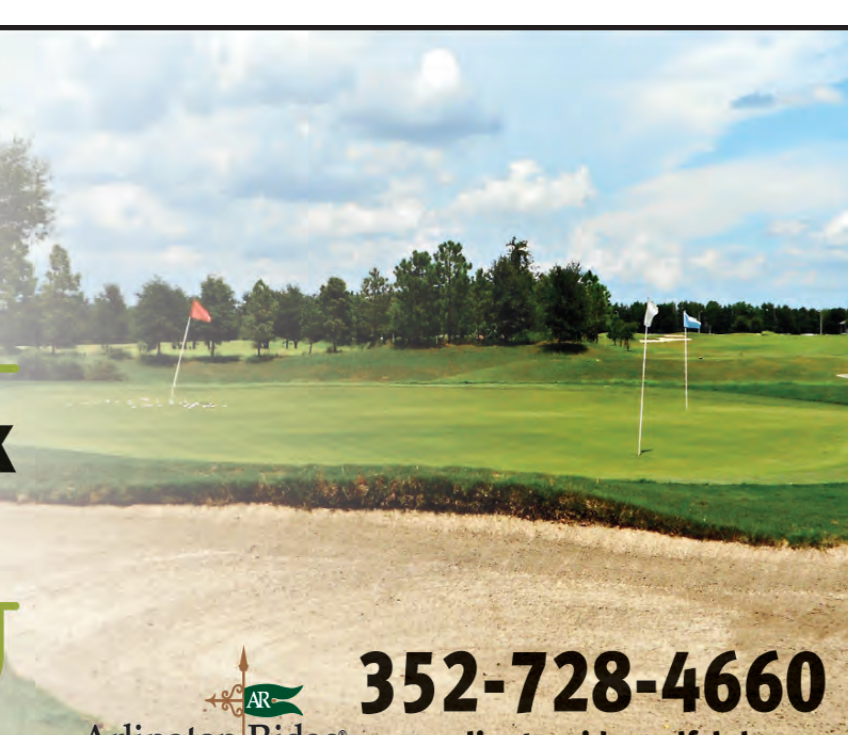
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SCOREBOARD

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NASCAR

Sprint Cup Leaders

Through Sunday

Points

1, Matt Kenseth, 463. 2, Jeff Gordon, 461. 3, Carl Edwards, 438. 4, Jimmie Johnson, 436. 5, Dale Earnhardt Jr., 429. 6, Joey Logano, 414. 7, Kyle Busch, 411. 8, Brad Keselowski, 404. 9, Denny Hamlin, 379. 10, Kyle Larson, 377.

11, Ryan Newman, 374. 12, Kevin Harvick, 373. 13, Brian Vickers, 366. 14, Paul Menard, 362. 15, Austin Dillon, 358. 16, Greg Biffle, 357. 17, Clint Bowyer, 350. 18, Kasey Kahne, 349. 19, Aric Almirola, 344. 20, A.J. Allmendinger, 337.

Money

1, Dale Earnhardt Jr., \$3,271,269. 2, Brad Keselowski, \$3,222,218. 3, Jimmie Johnson, \$3,154,257. 4, Jamie McMurray, \$3,043,064. 5, Jeff Gordon, \$3,024,502. 6, Denny Hamlin, \$2,837,366. 7, Joey Logano, \$2,830,377. 8, Kevin Harvick, \$2,823,528. 9, Matt Kenseth, \$2,783,536. 10, Kyle Busch, \$2,617,409. 11, Greg Biffle, \$2,301,729. 12, Paul Menard, \$2,227,882. 13, Austin Dillon, \$2,172,938. 14, Clint Bowyer, \$2,162,184. 15, Brian Vickers, \$2,134,794. 16, Carl Edwards, \$2,127,839. 17, Tony Stewart, \$2,116,678. 18, Ricky Stenhouse Jr., \$2,042,960. 19, Kyle Larson, \$2,031,015. 20, Aric Almirola, \$1,978,568.

GOLF

PGA Tour

FedExCup Leaders

Through Sunday

Rank	Player	Points	Money
1	Jimmy Walker	2,239	\$4,722,075
2	Bubba Watson	2,048	\$4,978,679
3	Matt Kuchar	1,625	\$3,566,602
4	Dustin Johnson	1,505	\$3,696,475
5	Jordan Spieth	1,441	\$3,369,464
6	Chris Kirk	1,429	\$2,784,093
7	Patrick Reed	1,364	\$3,038,426
8	Harris English	1,327	\$2,606,972
9	Brendon Todd	1,237	\$2,477,223
10	Kevin Na	1,214	\$2,404,228
11	Jim Furyk	1,165	\$2,919,936
12	Adam Scott	1,148	\$2,521,450
13	Zach Johnson	1,138	\$2,303,003
14	Hideki Matsuyama	1,125	\$2,283,868
15	John Senden	1,080	\$2,163,404
16	Matt Every	1,051	\$2,102,826
17	Ryan Moore	1,043	\$2,311,218
18	Webb Simpson	905	\$2,118,756
19	Kevin Stadler	975	\$1,969,998
20	Graham DeLaet	954	\$2,071,196
21	Gary Woodland	940	\$2,043,013
22	Charles Howell III	916	\$1,738,229
23	Martin Kaymer	909	\$2,318,602
24	Ryan Palmer	897	\$1,769,371
25	Will MacKenzie	880	\$1,782,250
26	Matt Jones	874	\$1,759,235
27	Keegan Bradley	868	\$1,710,280
28	Seung-Yul Noh	854	\$1,703,173
29	Brian Stuard	853	\$1,653,919
30	J.B. Holmes	845	\$1,877,440
31	Charley Hoffman	817	\$1,467,956
32	Bill Haas	814	\$1,455,768
33	Josely Garcia	802	\$2,037,867
34	Jason Day	799	\$2,035,780
35	Russell Knox	793	\$1,247,924
36	Rory McIlroy	786	\$1,890,140
37	Russell Henley	786	\$1,635,328
38	Jason Dufner	774	\$1,583,086
39	Daniel Summerhays	739	\$1,242,899
40	Luke Donald	688	\$1,325,800
41	Ryo Ishikawa	680	\$1,266,138
42	Justin Rose	675	\$1,696,179
43	Steven Bowditch	673	\$1,356,069
44	Chris Stroud	671	\$1,336,482
45	Marc Leishman	661	\$1,305,042
46	Pat Perez	663	\$1,277,550
47	Brian Harman	658	\$1,159,394
48	Chesson Hadley	649	\$1,237,706
49	Jason Bohn	643	\$1,280,214
50	Scott Brown	641	\$1,133,907

LPGA Tour

Money Leaders

Through Sunday

Tm	Money		
1	Stacy Lewis	12	\$1,102,756
2	Michelle Wie	11	\$821,994
3	Anna Nordqvist	11	\$736,464
4	Lexi Thompson	11	\$651,360
5	Karrie Webb	10	\$620,872
6	Lydiah Ko	11	\$559,486
7	Inbee Park	10	\$519,510
8	Jessica Korda	11	\$485,632
9	Azahara Munoz	13	\$483,152
10	Lizette Salas	11	\$470,615
11	Paula Creamer	12	\$445,988
12	Chella Choi	13	\$417,994
13	Jenny Shin	12	\$348,863
14	Cristie Kerr	10	\$333,714
15	Angela Stanford	11	\$307,731
16	So Yeon Ryu	10	\$279,140
17	Gerina Pillier	12	\$277,260
18	Na Yeon Choi	11	\$254,621
19	Shanshan Feng	8	\$253,235
20	Catrona Matthew	10	\$247,899
21	Christina Kim	9	\$245,331
22	Se Ri Pak	11	\$237,938
23	Meena Lee	12	\$230,052
24	Pornanong Phatlum	12	\$219,043
25	Julietta Granada	12	\$209,175
26	Eun-Hee Ji	12	\$205,344
27	Suzann Pettersen	9	\$202,910
28	Morgan Pressel	12	\$199,681
29	Karina Icher	11	\$195,777
30	Amy Yang	9	\$178,631
31	Yani Tseng	11	\$172,464
32	Jennifer Johnson	11	\$163,186
33	Sandra Gal	11	\$158,613
34	Hee Young Park	13	\$148,994
35	Haru Nomura	11	\$147,553
36	Mirim Lee	9	\$146,452
37	Haeji Kang	11	\$146,050
38	Brittany Lang	12	\$136,832
39	Sarah Jane Smith	10	\$131,771
40	Mina Harigae	12	\$128,986
41	Line Vedel	9	\$125,966
42	Jodi Ewart Shadoff	11	\$125,487
43	Mi Hyang Lee	11	\$124,490
44	PK. Kongkrakphan	12	\$117,288
45	Caroline Masson	13	\$115,681
46	Dori Carter	9	\$104,110
47	Thidapa Suwannapura	12	\$102,007
48	Katherine Kirk	13	\$100,693
49	Brittany Lincicome	12	\$93,912
50	Christel Boeljon	9	\$91,972

BASKETBALL

NBA Playoffs

CONFERENCE FINALS

(Best-of-7)

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Miami 4, Indiana 2

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: Miami 117, Indiana 92

WESTERN CONFERENCE

San Antonio 4, Oklahoma City 2

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: San Antonio 117, Oklahoma City 89
Saturday, May 31: San Antonio 112, Oklahoma City 107, OT

FINALS

(Best-of-7; x-if necessary)

Thursday, June 5: Miami at San Antonio, 9 p.m.
Sunday, June 8: Miami at San Antonio, 8 p.m.
Tuesday, June 10: San Antonio at Miami, 9 p.m.
Thursday, June 12: San Antonio at Miami, 9 p.m.
x-Sunday, June 15: Miami at San Antonio, 8 p.m.
x-Tuesday, June 17: San Antonio at Miami, 9 p.m.
x-Friday, June 20: Miami at San Antonio, 9 p.m.

HOCKEY

NHL Playoffs

CONFERENCE FINALS

(Best-of-7)

EASTERN CONFERENCE

N.Y. Rangers 4, Montreal 2

Saturday, May 17: N.Y. Rangers 7, Montreal 2
Monday, May 19: N.Y. Rangers 3, Montreal 1
Thursday, May 22: Montreal 3, N.Y. Rangers 2, OT
Sunday, May 25: N.Y. Rangers 3, Montreal 2, OT
Tuesday, May 27: Montreal 7, N.Y. Rangers 4
Thursday, May 29: N.Y. Rangers 1, Montreal 0

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Los Angeles 4, Chicago 3

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 4, Los Angeles 3
Sunday, June 1: Los Angeles 5, Chicago 4, OT

FINALS

(Best-of-7; x-if necessary)

Wednesday, June 4: N.Y. Rangers at Los Angeles, 8 p.m.
Saturday, June 7: N.Y. Rangers at Los Angeles, 7 p.m.
Monday, June 9: Los Angeles at N.Y. Rangers, 8 p.m.
Wednesday, June 11: Los Angeles at N.Y. Rangers, 8 p.m.
x-Friday, June 13: N.Y. Rangers at Los Angeles, 8 p.m.
x-Monday, June 16: Los Angeles at N.Y. Rangers, 8 p.m.
x-Wednesday, June 18: N.Y. Rangers at Los Angeles, 8 p.m.

BASEBALL

NCAA Division I Super Regionals

Best-of-3; x-if necessary

Host school is Game 1 home team; visiting school is Game 2 home team; coin flip determines Game 3 home team

At Jim Patterson Stadium

Louisville, Ky.

Friday: Kennesaw State (40-22) at Louisville (48-15), 6:30 p.m.
Saturday: Kennesaw State vs. Louisville, 7 p.m.
x-Sunday: Kennesaw State vs. Louisville, 6 p.m.

At Hawkins Field

Nashville, Tenn.

Friday: Stanford (34-24) at Vanderbilt (44-18), 1 p.m.
Saturday: Stanford vs. Vanderbilt, 3 p.m.
x-Sunday: Stanford vs. Vanderbilt, 3 p.m.

At Allie P. Reynolds Stadium

Stillwater, Okla.

Friday: UC Irvine (38-23) at Oklahoma State (48-16), 9:30 p.m.
Saturday: UC Irvine vs. Oklahoma State, 2 p.m.
x-Sunday: UC Irvine vs. Oklahoma State, 2 p.m.

At UFCU Disch-Falk Field

Austin, Texas

Friday: Houston (48-16) at Texas (41-19), 4 p.m.
Saturday: Houston vs. Texas, 2 p.m.
x-Sunday: Houston vs. Texas 2 p.m.

At Davenport Field

Charlottesville, Va.

Saturday: Maryland (39-21) at Virginia (47-13), Noon
Sunday: Maryland vs. Virginia, Noon
x-Monday: Maryland vs. Virginia, 4 p.m.

At M.L. Tigue Moore Field

Lafayette, La.

Saturday: Mississippi (44-18) at Louisiana-Lafayette (57-8), 8 p.m.
Sunday: Mississippi vs. Louisiana-Lafayette, 9 p.m.
x-Monday: Mississippi vs. Louisiana-Lafayette, 7 p.m.

At Charlie and Marie Lupton Stadium

Fort Worth, Texas

Saturday: Pepperdine at TCU, 4 p.m.
Sunday: Pepperdine vs. TCU, 6 p.m.
x-Monday: Pepperdine vs. TCU, 7 p.m.

At Rip Griffin Park

Lubbock, Texas

Saturday: College of Charleston (44-17) at Texas Tech (43-19), 1 p.m.
Sunday: College of Charleston vs. Texas Tech, 3 p.m.
x-Monday: College of Charleston vs. Texas Tech, 1 p.m.

SOFTBALL

NCAA Division I World Series Glance

At ASA Hall of Fame Stadium

Oklahoma City

x-if necessary

Championship Series

(Best-of-3)

Monday, June 2: Florida 5, Alabama 0, Florida leads series 1-0
Tuesday, June 3: Florida (54-12) vs. Alabama (53-12), late
x-Wednesday, June 4: Florida vs. Alabama, 8 p.m.

TENNIS

French Open

Tuesday

At Stade Roland Garros

Paris

Purse: \$34.12 million (Grand Slam)

Surface: Clay-Outdoor

Singles

Men

Quarterfinals

Novak Djokovic (2), Serbia, def. Milos Raonic (8), Canada, 7-5, 7-6 (5), 6-4.
Ernesto Gulbis (18), Latvia, def. Tomas Berdych (6), Czech Republic, 6-3, 6-2, 6-4.

Women

Quarterfinals

Maria Sharapova (7), Russia, def. Garbine Muguruzza, Spain, 1-6, 7-5, 6-1.
Eugenie Bouchard (18), Canada, def. Carla Suarez Navarro (14), Spain, 7-6 (4), 2-6, 7-5.

Doubles

Men

Quarterfinals

Andrey Golubev, Kazakhstan, and Sam Groth, Australia, def. Lukasz Kubot, Poland, and Robert Lindstedt (9), Sweden, 6-3, 6-3.
Julien Barneteau and Edouard Roger-Vasselin (11), France, def. Maximo Gonzalez and Juan Monaco, Argentina, 7-5, 4-6, 7-6 (5).

Women

Quarterfinals

Hsieh Su-wei, Taiwan, and Peng Shuai (1), China, def. Cara Black, Zimbabwe, and Sania Mirza (5), India, 6-2, 3-6, 6-3.
Sara Errani and Roberta Vinci (2), Italy, def. Ashleigh Barty and Casey Dellacqua (7), Australia, 6-0, 6-1.

Mixed

Quarterfinals

Anna-Lena Groenefeld, Germany, and Jean-Julien Rojer, Netherlands, def. Arantxa Parra Santonja, Spain, and Santiago Gonzalez, Mexico, 6-2, 6-4.
Yaroslava Shvedova, Kazakhstan, and Bruno Soares (3), Brazil, def. Kristina Mladenovic, France, and Daniel Nestor (5), Canada, 6-3, 1-6, 10-3.
Johan Sebastian Tatlot (9), France, def. Naoki Nakagawa (8), Japan, 6-2, 6-2.
Hong Seong-chan, South Korea, def. Jan Choinski, Germany, 6-4, 6-1.

Transactions

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TV2DAY

COLLEGE SOFTBALL

8 p.m.

ESPN — World Series, finals, game 3, Florida vs. Alabama, at Oklahoma City (if necessary)

TGC — European PGA Tour, Lyoness Open, first round, part 1, at Atzenbrugg, Austria

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Noon

MLB — Seattle at Atlanta

7 p.m.

SUN, FS-Florida — Miami at Tampa Bay

ESPN2 — Oakland at N.Y. Yankees

8 p.m.

WGN — N.Y. Mets at Chicago Cubs

TENNIS

Sharapova advances to French Open semifinals

CHRIS LEHOURITES
Associated Press



MICHEL EULER / AP

Maria Sharapova returns the ball against Garbine Muguruza during Wednesday's quarterfinal match at the French Open at the Roland Garros stadium, in Paris.

PARIS — Maria Sharapova needed a set to get going, and once she got going, she couldn't be stopped.

The seventh-seeded Russian advanced to the semifinals of the French Open for the fourth straight year, rallying to beat Garbine Muguruza of Spain 1-6, 7-5, 6-1 Tuesday.

In the men's tournament, second-seeded Novak Djokovic and 18th-seeded Ernests Gulbis advanced and will face each other in the semifinals.

It's the second straight match in which Sharapova lost the first set but completely controlled the third. Against Muguruza, Sharapova won nine of the last 10 games. In the previous round against Samantha Stosur, she won the last nine.

"When you just don't feel like anything is going your way, you want to try to find a little door to get into," Sharapova said. "It's always that little part that's the toughest."

Sharapova lost in the semifinals at Roland Garros in 2011, then won the title a year later to complete a career Grand Slam. She lost in last year's final to Sere-

na Williams.

"It was so tough losing in the final last year, being the defending champion," Sharapova said. "This year, to come back, I have the extra motivation to go further, and to be back on (this) stage is a really nice feeling."

Sharapova will face Eugenie Bouchard in the semifinals. The 18th-seeded Canadian beat Carla Suarez Navarro of Spain 7-6 (4), 2-6, 7-5.

Bouchard is playing in only her fifth Grand Slam tournament, but

she is already into her second major semifinal. She also reached the last four at the Australian Open in January.

Muguruza, who was playing in a Grand Slam quarterfinal for the first time in her career, eliminated Williams in the second round.

"The younger generation is ambitious," said Sharapova, who beat Bouchard in the second round at the French Open last year. "That's why they are in these stages of the tournament."

Djokovic beat

eighth-seeded Milos Raonic of Canada 7-5, 7-6 (5), 6-4 to reach the semifinals at Roland Garros for the sixth time. He has only played in one final, however, losing to Rafael Nadal in 2012.

Gulbis, who defeated Roger Federer in the fourth round, reached his first career Grand Slam semifinal by beating sixth-seeded Tomas Berdych of the Czech Republic 6-3, 6-2, 6-4.

Gulbis is competing at his 27th major tournament, but this is only the third time he

has advanced past the third round. He reached the quarterfinals at the French Open in 2008, but lost to Djokovic.

On another overcast day at Roland Garros, Sharapova quickly fell behind 4-0, losing 15 of the first 20 points. But she then started to land her shots, and her serves, with more consistency.

Sharapova finally held her serve in the fifth game, but she was broken again, this time at love, to lose the first set.

"I didn't do much in the first set to hurt her. She was doing many things well," Sharapova said. "I still had a fair bit of time to change things around. Little by little, I started playing a bit better."

At 1-1 in the second set, Sharapova finally broke, with some help from Muguruza.

The unseeded Spaniard, ranked 35th in the world, double-faulted twice in a row to give Sharapova her second break point of the match. The tall Russian converted when Muguruza sent a backhand long.

Although Sharapova was broken again in the set, again with a double fault, she started to hold serve more easily while giving Muguruza more trouble while receiving.

By the time the third set started, Sharapova was moving Muguruza all over the court, landing her forehands and backhands easily.

The only hiccup came in the fourth game, when Muguruza had five break points but couldn't convert any of them.

"That was one of the most important games," Sharapova said. "After I won that game, I certainly gained more confidence."

Like Sharapova, Bouchard also struggled early in her match, trailing Suarez Navarro 5-2 before taking the first set. In the third, Bouchard fell behind 4-1, but won 12 straight points to get to 4-4.

In the final game of the match, the chair umpire twice called for points to be replayed. Bouchard won both replays, with the second one giving her match point.

She double-faulted.

On the third match point, Suarez Navarro hit a backhand into the net.

"I am going to rest a lot now. I'm quite tired, but it's OK," Bouchard said. "I'm really excited to be in Paris for two more days and to play in the semifinals at Roland Garros."

NATIONAL BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION

Spurs' Parker plans to play in Game 1 of NBA Finals

RAUL DOMINGUEZ
Associated Press

SAN ANTONIO — Tony Parker plans to play in Game 1 of the NBA Finals.

The San Antonio Spurs open their rematch with the Miami Heat on Thursday, and their star point guard is nursing a balky left ankle.

"He's getting better every day, and I expect him to play," coach Gregg Popovich said Tuesday.

Parker aggravated the injury Saturday, missing the second half of San Antonio's series-clinching victory over Oklahoma City in the Western Conference finals.

Parker didn't practice Tuesday, but said he expects to be back Wednesday.

Parker is averaging a team-leading 17.2 points and 4.9 assists this postseason but has been bothered by injuries the past two rounds.

"I always try to be honest with Pop," Parker said. "He knows, but

if I'm 50 percent I'll try to play. If I'm under 50 percent, we can argue."

Parker conceded the ankle has bothered him since San Antonio's second-round series against Portland, although he did not divulge it at the time.

"I don't like to talk about when I'm hurt," he said. "I played on it for the whole series against Portland. That's why I think my hamstring got hurt because I was playing on a bad ankle."

Parker had tightness in his left hamstring midway through the second quarter of Game 5 against the Trail Blazers, forcing him to miss the rest of the Spurs' series-clinching victory.

He did not miss any of the Western Conference finals because of his hamstring. But he aggravated the ankle injury in Game 4 against Oklahoma City.

"I twisted it again, but didn't say anything," Parker said. "Played on it, and then Game 6 I think



SUE OGRONKI / AP

San Antonio guard Tony Parker wipes his brow between plays against Oklahoma City Thunder during Game 6 of the Western Conference finals on Saturday in Oklahoma City.

my body is like, 'That's enough.' It's perfect timing to get five days and to get better and to be ready for Game 1."

San Antonio was still able to clinch the series without Parker, holding off Oklahoma City for a 112-107 overtime victory to advance to its sixth finals

appearance.

Parker said he wanted to return for the second half, but was overruled by Popovich and the team's medical staff.

"I wanted to play. I wanted to play," Parker said. "Pop was like, 'No, we never know for Game 7.' So I un-

derstand where he was coming from, but it was hard to watch

from the locker room. At the same time, I was very proud of my teammates. They stepped up big. It was huge for us because I think those five days (off) are big for us to prepare for the finals."

Asked whether he would possibly hold Parker out if he was less than 50 percent, Popovich smirked and alluded to the calf injury that was supposed to keep the Thunder's Serge Ibaka out of the Western Conference finals — but didn't.

"It's too early — he's either 50 percent or out for the rest of the playoffs," Popovich said. "One of the two. I had to do it. I'll never do it again, I promise. We're done with that joke."

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MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL



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Table with columns: W, L, PCT, GB, WCGB, L10, STR, HOME, AWAY. Rows: Toronto, New York, Baltimore, Boston, Tampa Bay.

CENTRAL

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NATIONAL LEAGUE

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CENTRAL

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WEST

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MONDAY'S GAMES

Cleveland 3, Boston 2
Seattle 10, N.Y. Yankees 2
Miami 3, Tampa Bay 1
Milwaukee 6, Minnesota 2
Kansas City 6, St. Louis 0
L.A. Dodgers 5, Chicago White Sox 2

TUESDAY'S GAMES

Boston at Cleveland, late
Oakland at N.Y. Yankees, late
Toronto at Detroit, late
Seattle at Atlanta, late
Tampa Bay at Miami, late
Kansas City at St. Louis, late
Baltimore at Texas, late
L.A. Angels at Houston, late
Minnesota at Milwaukee, late

MONDAY'S GAMES

N.Y. Mets 11, Philadelphia 2
Miami 3, Tampa Bay 1
Milwaukee 6, Minnesota 2
Kansas City 6, St. Louis 0
L.A. Dodgers 5, Chicago White Sox 2
Pittsburgh 10, San Diego 3

TUESDAY'S GAMES

Philadelphia at Washington, late
San Francisco at Cincinnati, late
Seattle at Atlanta, late
Tampa Bay at Miami, late
Kansas City at St. Louis, late
N.Y. Mets at Chicago Cubs, late
Minnesota at Milwaukee, late
Arizona at Colorado, late
Chicago White Sox at L.A. Dodgers, late

TODAY'S GAMES

Seattle (Iwakuma 3-2) at Atlanta (Minor 2-3), 12:10 p.m.
Boston (Workman 0-0) at Cleveland (Kluber 6-3), 7:05 p.m.
Oakland (J.Chavez 4-3) at N.Y. Yankees (Nuno 1-2), 7:05 p.m.
Toronto (Dickey 5-4) at Detroit (Porcello 8-2), 7:08 p.m.
Miami (Koebler 4-5) at Tampa Bay (Price 4-4), 7:10 p.m.
Baltimore (B.Norris 3-5) at Texas (N.Martinez 1-1), 8:05 p.m.
L.A. Angels (Richards 4-2) at Houston (Cosart 4-4), 8:10 p.m.
Milwaukee (Estrada 5-2) at Minnesota (Nolasco 3-5), 8:10 p.m.
St. Louis (Wainwright 8-3) at Kansas City (Vargas 5-2), 8:10 p.m.

TODAY'S GAMES

Seattle (Iwakuma 3-2) at Atlanta (Minor 2-3), 12:10 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Liriano 1-5) at San Diego (Kennedy 4-6), 6:40 p.m.
Philadelphia (A.Burnett 3-4) at Washington (Strasburg 4-4), 7:05 p.m.
Miami (Koebler 4-5) at Tampa Bay (Price 4-4), 7:10 p.m.
San Francisco (Vogelsong 3-2) at Cincinnati (Cingrani 2-5), 7:10 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (Matsuzaka 2-0) at Chicago Cubs (E.Jackson 3-5), 8:05 p.m.
Milwaukee (Estrada 5-2) at Minnesota (Nolasco 3-5), 8:10 p.m.
St. Louis (Wainwright 8-3) at Kansas City (Vargas 5-2), 8:10 p.m.
Arizona (Collmenter 4-2) at Colorado (Lyles 5-1), 8:40 p.m.

AMERICAN LEAGUE LEADERS

BATTING: VMartinez, Detroit, .335; Cano, Seattle, .327; AlRamirez, Chicago, .326; MiCabrera, Detroit, .325; Rios, Texas, .320; Altuve, Houston, .318; NCruz, Baltimore, .314.
RUNS: Donaldson, Oakland, 48; Dozier, Minnesota, 45; Bautista, Toronto, 43; Encarnacion, Toronto, 40; NCruz, Baltimore, 39; Kinsler, Detroit, 38; Brantley, Cleveland, 37; McCabrera, Toronto, 37.
RBI: NCruz, Baltimore, 52; Encarnacion, Toronto, 50; MiCabrera, Detroit, 49; Donaldson, Oakland, 48; Moss, Oakland, 46; JAbreu, Chicago, 44; Bautista, Toronto, 40; Brantley, Cleveland, 40.
HITS: Altuve, Houston, 78; McCabrera, Toronto, 74; Al-Ramirez, Chicago, 73; Rios, Texas, 71; Markakis, Baltimore, 69; Cano, Seattle, 68; Kinsler, Detroit, 68.
DOUBLES: Hosmer, Kansas City, 20; Plouffe, Minnesota, 20; Kinsler, Detroit, 19; MiCabrera, Detroit, 18; Pedroia, Boston, 18; Altuve, Houston, 17; Vicedo, Chicago, 16.
TRIPLES: Rios, Texas, 6; Bourn, Cleveland, 5; Trout, Los Angeles, 4; 10 tied at 3.
HOME RUNS: NCruz, Baltimore, 20; Encarnacion, Toronto, 19; JAbreu, Chicago, 16; Donaldson, Oakland, 15; Bautista, Toronto, 14; Pujols, Los Angeles, 14.
STOLEN BASES: Altuve, Houston, 20; RDavis, Detroit, 16; Ellsbury, New York, 15; AEscobar, Kansas City, 15; Andrus, Texas, 13; Gardner, New York, 13; Dozier, Minnesota, 12.
PITCHING: Buehrle, Toronto, 10-1; Tanaka, New York, 8-1; FHernandez, Seattle, 8-1; Porcello, Detroit, 8-2; 13 tied at 6.
ERA: Tanaka, New York, 2.06; Darvish, Texas, 2.08; Buehrle, Toronto, 2.10; Kazmir, Oakland, 2.36; Gray, Oakland, 2.45; FHernandez, Seattle, 2.57; Keuchel, Houston, 2.70.
STRIKEOUTS: Kluber, Cleveland, 95; Lester, Boston, 95; FHernandez, Seattle, 91; Price, Tampa Bay, 90; Scherzer, Detroit, 89; Tanaka, New York, 88.
SAVES: Holland, Kansas City, 15; Rodney, Seattle, 14; Perkins, Minnesota, 14; Nathan, Detroit, 13; DavRobertson, New York, 12; TomHunter, Baltimore, 11; Uehara, Boston, 11; Soria, Texas, 11.

NATIONAL LEAGUE LEADERS

BATTING: Tulowitzki, Colorado, .350; Puig, Los Angeles, .340; Pagan, San Francisco, .327; Lucroy, Milwaukee, .325; MaAdams, St. Louis, .325.
RUNS: Tulowitzki, Colorado, 45; Pence, San Francisco, 43; Goldschmidt, Arizona, 42; Stanton, Miami, 41; Yelich, Miami, 38; MCarpenter, St. Louis, 37; Blackmon, Colorado, 36; CGomez, Milwaukee, 36.
RBI: Stanton, Miami, 51; Howard, Philadelphia, 40; Puig, Los Angeles, 40; Blackmon, Colorado, 38; Goldschmidt, Arizona, 38; AdGonzalez, Los Angeles, 38; Morse, San Francisco, 38.
HITS: DWright, New York, 72; Goldschmidt, Arizona, 70; DanMurphy, New York, 69; Puig, Los Angeles, 69; MCarpenter, St. Louis, 66; Lucroy, Milwaukee, 66; Stanton, Miami, 66; Utley, Philadelphia, 66.
DOUBLES: Yelich, Philadelphia, 23; Goldschmidt, Arizona, 22; Lucroy, Milwaukee, 21; Arenado, Colorado, 17; Byrd, Philadelphia, 17; HRamirez, Los Angeles, 17.
TRIPLES: Yelich, Miami, 5; DGordon, Los Angeles, 4; Pollock, Arizona, 4; Rendon, Washington, 4; ASimmons, Atlanta, 4; 15 tied at 3.
HOME RUNS: Stanton, Miami, 16; Tulowitzki, Colorado, 14; Reynolds, Milwaukee, 13; JUpton, Atlanta, 13; Ad-Gonzalez, Los Angeles, 12; Gattis, Atlanta, 11; CGomez, Milwaukee, 11; Howard, Philadelphia, 11; Morse, San Francisco, 11; Puig, Los Angeles, 11.
STOLEN BASES: DGordon, Los Angeles, 34; BHamilton, Cincinnati, 20; EYoung, New York, 17; Revere, Philadelphia, 15; Bonifacio, Chicago, 12; SMarte, Pittsburgh, 12; ECabrera, San Diego, 11; CGomez, Milwaukee, 11; Pagan, San Francisco, 11.
PITCHING: Greinke, Los Angeles, 8-2; Wainwright, St. Louis, 8-3; Lohse, Milwaukee, 7-1; Simon, Cincinnati, 7-3; Bumgarner, San Francisco, 7-3; 7 tied at 6.
ERA Cueto, Cincinnati, 1.68; Hudson, San Francisco, 1.75; Teheran, Atlanta, 1.83.
STRIKEOUTS: Cueto, Cincinnati, 92; Strasburg, Washington, 90; Bumgarner, San Francisco, 85.
SAVES: Street, San Diego, 17; Jansen, Los Angeles, 17; FrRodriguez, Milwaukee, 17; Romo, San Francisco, 17; Rosenthal, St. Louis, 16; Kimbrel, Atlanta, 15; AReed.



LYNNE SLADKY / AP

Tampa Bay Rays' Kevin Kiermaier watches after hitting a triple during the third inning of Tuesday's interleague game against Miami at Marlins Park in Miami.

Box score for Mets 11, Phillies 2. Includes batting, pitching, and fielding stats for both teams.

Box score for Pirates 10, Padres 3. Includes batting, pitching, and fielding stats for both teams.

Box score for Indians 3, Red Sox 2. Includes batting, pitching, and fielding stats for both teams.

Box score for Mariners 10, Yankees 2. Includes batting, pitching, and fielding stats for both teams.

This Date in Baseball
June 4
1940 - The Pirates beat the Boston Bees 14-2 in the first night game at Pittsburgh's Forbes Field.
1940 - The St. Louis Cardinals play their first night game at Sportsman's Park, beating the Brooklyn Dodgers 10-1.
1951 - Pittsburgh's Gus Bell hit for the cycle to lead the Pirates to a 12-4 victory over the Phillies at Philadelphia.
1964 - Sandy Koufax pitched his third no-hitter, striking out 12, as the Los Angeles Dodgers beat the Phillies 3-0 in Philadelphia.
1968 - Don Drysdale of the Dodgers blanked the Pirates 5-0 for his sixth straight shutout en route to a record 58-23 scoreless innings.
1974 - The game between the Cleveland Indians and the Texas Rangers at Cleveland's Municipal Stadium was forfeited to Texas. Umpire Nestor Chtyak had problems with the fans throughout the evening - primarily because it was 10-cent beer night. They got out of control when the Tribe tied the score 5-5 in the bottom of the ninth.
1990 - Ramon Martinez struck out 18 batters and pitched a three-hitter as the Los Angeles Dodgers beat the Atlanta Braves 6-0.
1996 - Pamela Davis pitched one inning of scoreless relief and got the win in a minor league exhibition game.

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Community helps make Lightning unique

ZACHARY HANKLE
Special to the Daily Commercial

Player talent and coaching strategy are the keys to many baseball success stories.

The Leesburg Lightning, like other teams, has enjoyed a bevy of standout players and quality coaches.

Unlike many other teams, however, the Lightning enjoy an additional benefit — the help of a rabid fan base that has come to be known as the 10th man. Leesburg has led the Florida College Summer League in attendance in each of its seven years and, in many cases, has drawn more fans per game than the combined total for the rest of the league.

Boston and New York might be known on a national level for their fan support, but Lightning officials feel that Leesburg has staked its claim as a “baseball town” in Florida.

“Leesburg baseball fans don’t come to our games rooting for a major league affiliate,” said John Brandeburg, Lightning president and general manager. “Our fans are loyal to the Leesburg Lightning. They wear Lightning caps and T-shirts, and many even travel with the team to road games.”

Even before FCSL founder Sara Whiting announced that there would be a team in Leesburg during a showcase game in 2006, the city was known for its baseball. Since then, Brandeburg said the bond between community and team has grown.

When the Lightning played their first game



BRETT LE BLANC / DAILY COMMERCIAL

Groundskeepers get the field at Pat Thomas Stadium-Buddy Lowe Field ready for action in Leesburg on Monday. The Lightning begin play today at 7 p.m.



on June 7, 2007, more than 1,300 fans crowded into venerable Pat Thomas Stadium-Buddy Lowe Field. Although the Lightning dropped an 8-7 decision to Winter Park that day, a love affair was born.

It is a romance that continues to this day.

Brandeburg has been with the Lightning from the beginning. He was team president for the first six seasons and took on the duties of general manager this year following the departure of longtime GM Bruce Ericson.

Brandeburg has stressed the importance of the Lightning’s fan base for years now. He is often seen in the grandstands during games, selling raffle tickets or mingling with fans.

“The less formal the better,” Brandeburg said. “We are the type of team that wears its hair down and does the YMCA!”

In many ways, each home game is a community event.

Along those lines, the team’s front office is filled with Leesburg natives. Staff members include Chuck Johnson, the team’s public address announcer, and John Meier, team statistician.

Members of the Leesburg High School athletic boosters run the concession stand, with proceeds going to support the Yel-

low Jackets’ various sports programs.

Even the bat boy, 13-year-old Liam Knowles, is a local product.

“He just loves being around the team,” said Elizabeth Knowles, Liam’s mother. Elizabeth also oversees the Lightning’s host family program.

“The Lightning has always been about community,” Brandeburg. “The team has been as successful as it has because of the support it gets, and the players recognize that and they return support by playing hard and representing us with pride. That’s what separates the Lightning from the rest of the teams in the Florida College Summer League.”

Zachary Hankle is the journalism intern for the Leesburg Lightning.

SCHEDULE

Today	DeLand
Thursday	at DeLand
Friday	Sanford
Saturday	at Sanford
Sunday	Sanford, 5 p.m.
Tuesday	Winter Garden
June 11	at Winter Garden
June 12	Winter Garden
June 13	at College Park
June 14	College Park
June 15	at College Park, 5 p.m.
June 17	at Winter Park
June 18	Winter Park
June 19	at Winter Park
June 20	DeLand
June 21	at DeLand
June 22	DeLand, 5 p.m.
June 24	Sanford
June 25	at Sanford
June 26	at Sanford
June 27	at Winter Garden
June 28	at Winter Garden
June 29	at Winter Garden, 1 p.m.
July 1	College Park
July 2	at College Park
July 3	College Park
July 4	Winter Park, 6 p.m.
July 5	Winter Park
July 6	at Winter Park, 1 p.m.
July 8	All-Star Game at Sanford
July 10	at DeLand
July 11	DeLand
July 12	at Winter Park
July 13	DeLand
July 14	at Winter Garden
July 15	Winter Garden
July 16	Winter Garden
July 17	at Sanford
July 18	Sanford
July 19	at Sanford, 1 p.m.
July 20	at SE Prospect Showcase in Atlanta
July 22	at College Park
July 23	College Park
July 24	at College Park
July 25	at DeLand
July 26	Winter Park
July 27	Winter Park

All games will start at 7 p.m. unless otherwise noted.

BRAD ANTCHAK

NE OKLAHOMA A&M COLLEGE



POSITION: SS
HEIGHT: 6' 1"
WEIGHT: 185
BATS: R
THROWS: R
AVG: .295
HOME RUNS: 2
RBI: 29

RYAN BRINLEY

SAM HOUSTON STATE



POSITION: C/P
HEIGHT: 6' 1"
WEIGHT: 204
BATS: L
THROWS: R
RECORD: 3-2
ERA: 2.74
SAVES: 8

MATT BROADBENT

TEXAS TECH



POSITION: IF
HEIGHT: 5' 10"
WEIGHT: 190
BATS: R
THROWS: R
AVG: .228
HOME RUNS: 0
RBI: 11

BRANDON CAPELS

ALABAMA STATE UNIVERSITY



POSITION: P
HEIGHT: 6'
WEIGHT: 165
BATS: R
THROWS: R
RECORD: 0-0
ERA: 3.75
SAVES: 2

DILLON COOPER

ALABAMA STATE UNIVERSITY



POSITION: OF
HEIGHT: 6'
WEIGHT: 220
BATS: R
THROWS: R
AVG: .216
HOME RUNS: 3
RBI: 12

KAMERON ESTHAY

BAYLOR UNIVERSITY



POSITION: LF
HEIGHT: 6'
WEIGHT: 215
BATS: L
THROWS: L

JAKE FOSSICK

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH FLORIDA



POSITION: P
HEIGHT: 6' 1"
WEIGHT: 175
BATS: R
THROWS: R

BRETT JONES

UNIVERSITY OF TAMPA



POSITION: OF
HEIGHT: 6'
WEIGHT: 165
BATS: L
THROWS: R
AVG: .545
HOME RUNS: 0
RBI: 5

COLBY LUSIGNAN

SANTA FE COLLEGE



POSITION: IF
HEIGHT: 6' 3"
WEIGHT: 210
BATS: L
THROWS: R
AVG: .331
HOME RUNS: 1
RBI: 38

KUEHL MCEACHERN

FLAGLER COLLEGE



POSITION: P
HEIGHT: 6' 4"
WEIGHT: 190
BATS: R
THROWS: R
RECORD: 2-3
ERA: 9.39
SAVES: 1

MATT MENARD

BAYLOR UNIVERSITY



POSITION: C
HEIGHT: 6'
WEIGHT: 210
BATS: R
THROWS: R
AVG: .219
HOME RUNS: 0
RBI: 12

ANDREW MILLER

NE OKLAHOMA A&M COLLEGE



POSITION: 3B
HEIGHT: 6' 4"
WEIGHT: 220
BATS: L
THROWS: R
AVG: .339
HOME RUNS: 2
RBI: 32

DANNY MILLER

STETSON UNIVERSITY



POSITION: P
HEIGHT: 6'
WEIGHT: 203
BATS: L
THROWS: L

TREY NORRIS

STETSON UNIVERSITY



POSITION: P
HEIGHT: 6' 3"
WEIGHT: 203
BATS: R
THROWS: R
RECORD: 0-0
ERA: 8.22
SAVES: 1

KEVIN OLMEDA

ALABAMA STATE UNIVERSITY



POSITION: 2B
HEIGHT: 5' 9"
WEIGHT: 160
BATS: R
THROWS: R
AVG: .273
HOME RUNS: 0
RBI: 1

SHEA PIERCE

SAM HOUSTON STATE



POSITION: C
HEIGHT: 6' 5"
WEIGHT: 238
BATS: L
THROWS: R
AVG: .199
HOME RUNS: 2
RBI: 23

RONNIE PLESAC JR.

PARKLAND COLLEGE



POSITION: P/IF
HEIGHT: 6' 2"
WEIGHT: 238
BATS: L
THROWS: L
AVG: .260
HOME RUNS: 1
RBI: 22

MATT RINEY

TEXAS TECH



POSITION: P
HEIGHT: 6' 3"
WEIGHT: 155
BATS: R
THROWS: R

FRANKIE ROMANO

STETSON UNIVERSITY



POSITION: P
HEIGHT: 6' 4"
WEIGHT: 225
BATS: R
THROWS: R
RECORD: 0-0
ERA: 6.43
SAVES: 0

JOE SABATINI

BAYLOR UNIVERSITY



POSITION: C
HEIGHT: 6' 1"
WEIGHT: 205
BATS: R
THROWS: R
AVG: .250
HOME RUNS: 0
RBI: 3

FRANKIE SAGARESE

FLAGLER COLLEGE



POSITION: OF
HEIGHT: 5' 10"
WEIGHT: 160
BATS: R
THROWS: R
AVG: .273
HOME RUNS: 0
RBI: 13

KYLE SCHACKNE

LAKE-SUMTER STATE COLLEGE



POSITION: P
HEIGHT: 6' 2"
WEIGHT: 167
BATS: R
THROWS: R
RECORD: 4-3
ERA: 5.32

TYLER SOURIS

STATE COLLEGE OF FLORIDA



POSITION: P/IF
HEIGHT: 6' 2"
WEIGHT: 175
BATS: R
THROWS: R
RECORD: 3-1
ERA: 2.57

HANK TRULUCK

FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY



POSITION: IF
HEIGHT: 6' 1"
WEIGHT: 190
BATS: R
THROWS: R
AVG: .286
HOME RUNS: 0
RBI: 3

DAVID WOOD

LAKE-SUMTER STATE COLLEGE



POSITION: P
HEIGHT: 6' 2"
WEIGHT: 167
BATS: R
THROWS: R
RECORD: 2-5
ERA: 3.90

2014 LEESBURG LIGHTNING

Lightning kick off season with 'Meet the Players'

PAUL BARNEY
Staff Writer

Food, music and baseball. It doesn't get much better than that.

That's exactly what Leesburg Lightning fans got Tuesday night at the team's annual "Meet the Players" practice and dinner at Pat Thomas Stadium-Buddy Lowe Field.

The dinner — which was catered by Oakwood Smokehouse and Grill — is a tradition for the Lightning, who open their eighth season in the Florida Collegiate Summer League tonight at 7 with a home game against the DeLand Suns.

Fans, however, got to see and meet the team a day early, giving both a chance to rekindle friendships and establish new ones.

"Whenever I recruit players, we talk a lot about how much the fans love it and the mystique here," said Leesburg coach David Therneau, who is in his fourth year with the team. "Obviously playing here is different than playing anywhere else in the league. The fans love them here."

First year general manager, John Brandenburg, was busy walking around the stadium interacting with those



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Lightning pitching coach Robert Clayton throws a batting practice session during the team's Meet the Players event at Pat Thomas Stadium-Buddy Lowe Field on Tuesday in Leesburg.

fans. "Meet the Players' is appropriate because most of us have never met them," Brandenburg said. "Half of these players came in last night. Some of them practiced two days ago, some of them practiced yesterday, and this is the bulk of the team. This is the first time they've even practiced together, so we'll know what we have after a couple of games."

What Brandenburg and the Lightning do

know is that they have the best fan base in the league.

Pat Thomas Stadium-Buddy Lowe Field is the only field in the FCSL that offers free admission. Last season 24,000 fans packed the venue throughout the summer. Leesburg has led the league in attendance every year since the team joined in 2007.

A lot of those fans were in attendance Tuesday night and not only got to watch practice, but during formal

introductions got to hear where each player is from and what college they attend or will be transferring to in the fall.

That includes South Lake alum and tonight's starting pitcher, David Wood.

Wood played for Lake Sumter State College this year and was a key member of the Lightning last season when they finished runners-up in the league.

He went 2-0 on the mound last season for

Leesburg, boasting a 1.38 ERA while allowing four earned runs with 18 strikeouts in 26 innings of work.

Wood is happy to be back for another season playing in front of the home crowd.

"It's awesome," Wood said. "I was actually in the stands watching this before and wanted to play here. It's like a goal that I achieved."

Outfielder and Flagler College attendee, Frankie Sagarese, is also one of the five returning

players for the Lightning this season.

Sagarese was a Futures Collegiate Baseball League call-up last summer and played a crucial role in Leesburg's playoff run, hitting .282 with three RBI, four doubles and eight runs scored in just 11 games.

Getting to the FCSL championship game at Tropicana Field was an experience Sagarese is hoping the team can be a part of again.

After all, the Lightning have played in five league championships in their brief history.

Getting to play in front of a big crowd helps, too.

"They're (the fans) really interactive. They love you, they hate you," Sagarese said with a smile. "At my college we don't even get a crowd like this, so it's just outstanding. It's awesome that they're really into the game."

They were certainly into it Tuesday night.

"They look forward to this," Therneau said. "There's always the build up, they always want to know who's here, like who are the players that are here and they want to know what they can do. They enjoy seeing them workout and play, so it's a big deal."

What makes a Leesburg Lightning fan different from others?

ZACHARY HANKLE
Special to the Daily Commercial

What makes a Leesburg Lightning fan?

Many Lightning supporters believe their are traits that distinguish Lightning fans from others throughout the Florida Collegiate Summer League.

Longtime Leesburg native and Lightning public address announcer, Chuck Johnson, considers himself to be an authority on the makings of Lightning fans.

"If you want to make (the baseball game) better, then you are a Lightning fan."

Johnson adamantly believes that Lightning fans try to make every game as enriching and community oriented as possible.

It first starts with the ballpark.

Pat Thomas Stadium is the only stadium that offers free admission and is not an alcohol vendor. But Johnson said it's the food that makes Pat Thomas Stadium better than the rest.



PHOTOS BY BRETT LE BLANC / DAILY COMMERCIAL

ABOVE: Striker, the Lightning's mascot, and fans dance along to the Village People's Y.M.C.A. during the Leesburg Lightning's Meet The Players event at Pat Thomas Stadium-Buddy Lowe Field on Tuesday in Leesburg. RIGHT: Fans watch as players take batting practice swings on Tuesday, during the Lightning's final preseason practice.



"There is no reason why you should be served lackluster (quality) food when at a sporting event," he said. "I am content that this is the finest ballpark food around."

Johnson also mentioned how the Light-

ning offer a community experience. He talked about how the crowd loves to do the YMCA during every home game.

Individuals have often gone to great lengths to make the players feel at home as

well by offering to be host families and donating baked goods to the team. But this family is not afraid to call the players out when they are playing badly.

"These fans can be like your grandparents," Johnson said, "when you play bad

they (the fans) will take it upon themselves to let you hear about it."

What makes a Lightning fan, however, is sticking by the team during the good and the bad times. They are determined to make Lightning home games

the best place to be on a summer night.

"We make sure to give more to the game than we take away, regarding the rapid growth of Lightning's fan base," Johnson said. "That is what baseball is about."

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Aging population will cause alzheimer's numbers to soar

DEAR ABBY: More and more of my friends are trying to work and take care of parents who have Alzheimer's disease. One of my closest friends' husbands was recently diagnosed with it. He is only 62. I thought Alzheimer's was only memory loss, but it seems like so much more. His personality has changed. She tells me he gets angry with her when she tries to help him.

What exactly is Alzheimer's, and what can be done to stop it? — **UNSURE IN OAK PARK, ILLINOIS**

DEAR UNSURE: I'm sorry to say — from personal experience — that Alzheimer's disease, while often thought of as "minor memory loss," is a disease that is ultimately fatal. Its cause is not yet understood. I lost my mother to it. Alzheimer's kills nerve cells and tissue in the

brain, causing it to shrink dramatically. It affects a person's ability to communicate, to think and, eventually, to breathe. At least 44 million people worldwide are now living with Alzheimer's disease and other dementias. As our populations age, those numbers will swell to 76 million by 2030.

Currently there is no way to prevent, stop or even to slow the progression of Alzheimer's disease. Some drugs manage the symptoms, but only temporarily. This is why more funding for Alzheimer's and more support for the families who are caring for loved ones who have it are so urgently needed. Please suggest to your friend that she contact the Alzheimer's Association for help because it offers support groups for spouses.

Readers, June is Alz-



JEANNE PHILLIPS

DEAR ABBY

heimer's and Brain Awareness Month. If you are concerned about Alzheimer's disease — and we all should be — you can get involved by joining the global fight against this very nasty disease. To learn more, visit alz.org/abam.

DEAR ABBY: I'm currently dating a man who is 10 years older than I am. I'm 24; he's 34. We have known each other for two years and we live together. He has two beautiful daughters I adore.

His older daughter, "Pearl" (age 12), called me "Mom" the other night, and then asked me if it was OK. I'm not their mother, and I would never try to take

that role away from my boyfriend's ex, but this puts me in an awkward situation. As much as I love his girls, I don't want to cause drama or have Pearl get in trouble with her mother. — **SHE CALLED ME MOM**

DEAR CALLED ME MOM:

Talk to Pearl. Tell her you were touched knowing she feels that way about you and deeply flattered when she called you "Mom," but you feel if her mother knew about it that she would be hurt. (This is especially true if the girls live with their mother.) Then ask Pearl to come up with another affectionate name for you, or suggest one to her.

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HOROSCOPES

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Wednesday, June 4, 2014:

This year is significant to your security and well-being. Your home and your personal life become even higher priorities. You will ask yourself what is most important to you in life. If you are single, getting into a relationship becomes a higher priority. There is a strong possibility of meeting someone after July because of an expanding circle of friends. If you are attached, the two of you find each other more interesting, as you start to see new facets of each other's personalities. VIRGO can be sensible, but sometimes his or her requests can be a burden.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Your usual style of handling an issue won't be as successful as you might have hoped it would be. Others might be confused about your vision and your expectations. Break it down to a realistic, simple perspective for them to understand.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) You could have difficulty getting going in the morning, but around noon you are likely to get a second

wind and feel energized. You seem to be able to come up with ideas for solving problems. Others see you as a creative source of inspiration.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Schedule an important talk for the morning, because other events could distract you later. In fact, you are likely to close your door in the afternoon and do some heavy thinking. Don't push yourself beyond what you are able to handle.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Communication will flourish in the afternoon. You finally will have time for a conversation with a loved one that you have been putting off. Though you might not always see eye to eye, you both care about each other.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) You might want to reconsider a change of pace. You often can be found dashing from one meeting or happening to another. Stopping and becoming more detail-oriented will give you some time to consider an issue that is likely to affect your life.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You could be off-kilter for a



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BIGAR'S STARS

while, but you'll loosen up considerably by noon. You need to do what you feel is important, as you could be unusually successful at the present moment. A meeting could be more important than you realize.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) You might want to think through a decision that comes up in a meeting. You'll need to settle down to do some solid reflecting and brainstorming. You could be confused as to which way to go. Take some time to process your thoughts.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) Be willing to look at your obligations as well as your passion regarding a project. Only then can you make a solid choice about your direction and needs. You could be quite talkative as you try to decide what works best for you.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) You might not be sure about taking a stand,

but you'll sense that it is important. Others don't seem to be in agreement, but you have a different perspective to offer. A family member could be confused about your choices.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) You might want to look at your long-term desires, as you could want to revise your thinking. Once you get your goals in order, success will come more easily. Someone you might want to share with could appear from out of the blue.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) You'll prefer to relate on a one-on-one level. Take the opportunity to have that type of conversation with a special associate. You might want to get to know this person better, and vice versa. Use caution with your funds and commitments.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) Consider what is happening with a loved one. On many levels, the two of you have a lot in common; however, this person lives in constant stress while you are able to look at the big picture. Make a point of sharing your perspective.

BRIDGE

Eliminating the Risk Element

South dealer. Neither side vulnerable.

NORTH			
♠	9 5 4		
♥	7 2		
♦	K Q 10 9 3		
♣	A Q 4		
WEST			
♠	10 8 6 2		
♥	A 10 8 5 4		
♦	6 5		
♣	J 2		
EAST			
♠	K Q		
♥	J 9 3		
♦	J 7 4 2		
♣	10 9 7 3		
SOUTH			
♠	A J 7 3		
♥	K Q 6		
♦	A 8		
♣	K 8 6 5		

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1 NT	Pass	3 NT	Pass

Opening lead — five of hearts.

Declarer occasionally adopts a line of play designed specifically to prevent a particular defender from gaining the lead. One reason might be that the opponent in question has good tricks that he can cash. Another reason might be to protect a holding that is vulnerable to attack if led by one defender rather than the other.

Today's deal presented declarer with the latter type of situation, and he came through with flying colors. After winning East's jack of hearts with the king at trick one, South

could count eight certain winners — three diamonds, three clubs, a heart and a spade. He had excellent chances for a ninth trick if the jack of diamonds fell under the A-K-Q, or if the opposing clubs were divided 3-3.

But before staking the outcome on either of these possibilities, South pondered what might happen if both suits divided unfavorably. He realized he could overcome J-x-x of diamonds in the West hand simply by conceding a trick to West's jack on the fourth round of the suit. But if East had J-x-x and was given a trick with the jack, a heart return could sink the contract.

It was at this point that it dawned on South that he had a sure way to make nine tricks. So, at trick two he led a club to the queen, returned the diamond three and finessed the eight! When the eight held, he cashed the ace, crossed to the ace of clubs and cashed three more diamonds to finish with 10 tricks.

The great advantage of South's method of play was that it assured a favorable outcome regardless of which opponent had the jack of diamonds or how the suit was divided. Even if the finesse of the eight had lost to West, any return he made would leave South with at least nine certain winners.

Tomorrow: The Grand Slam Force.
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TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Wednesday, June 4, the 155th day of 2014. There are 210 days left in the year.

Today's Highlights in History: On June 4, 1944, during

World War II, U-505, a German submarine, was captured by a U.S. Navy task group in the south Atlantic; it was the first such capture of an enemy vessel at sea by the U.S. Navy since the War of 1812.

AXYDLBAAXR
is LONGFELLOW

One letter stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

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YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION

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How to play: Fill in the blank squares with the numbers 1 through 9 so that each horizontal row, vertical column and nine-square sub-grid contains no repeated numbers.

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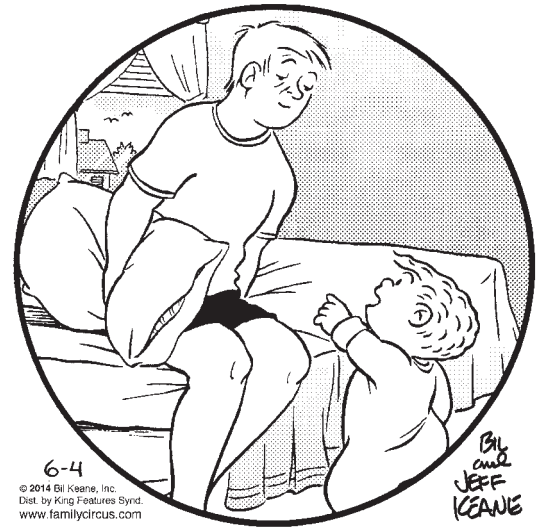
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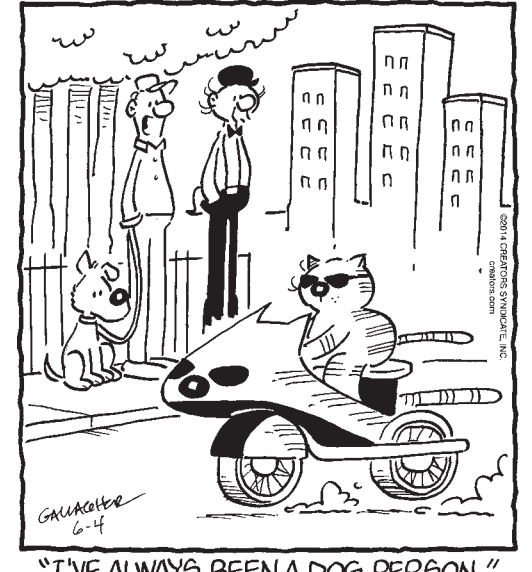
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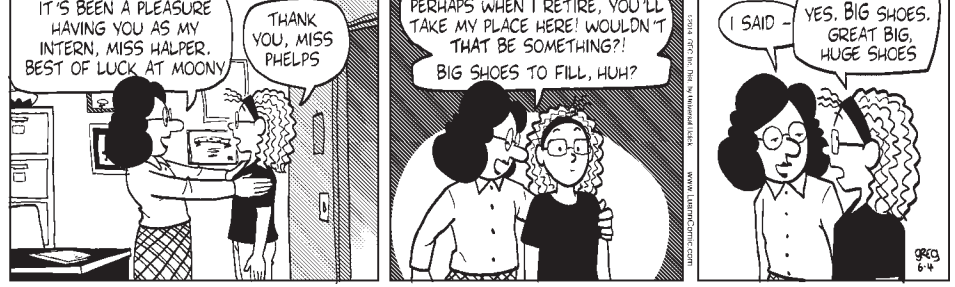
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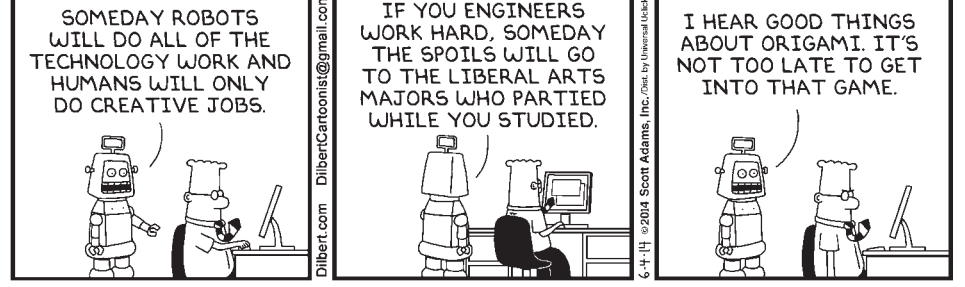
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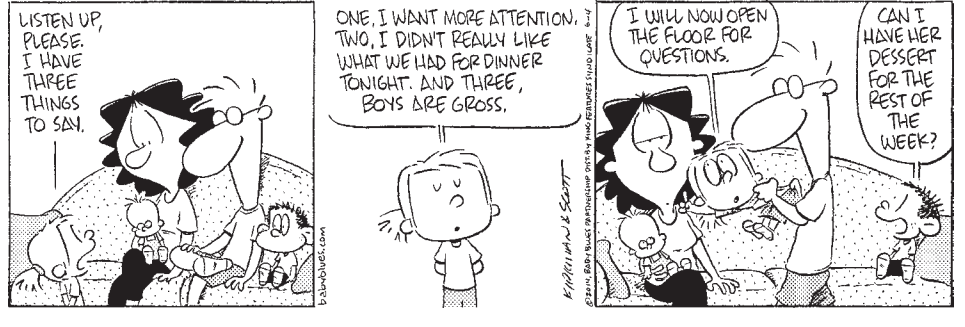
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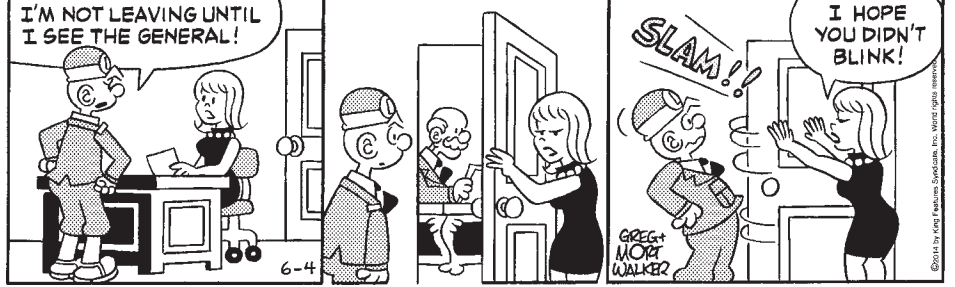
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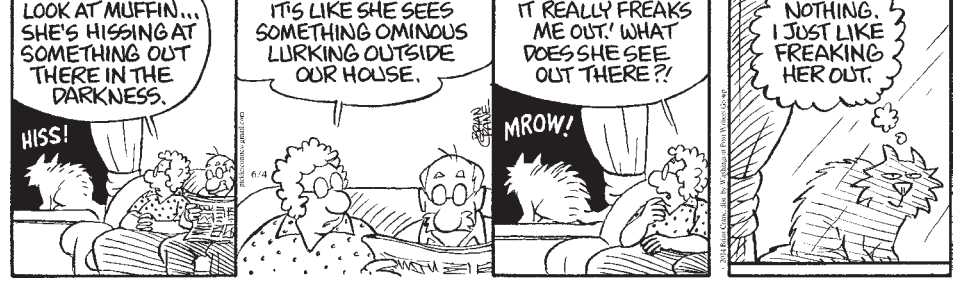
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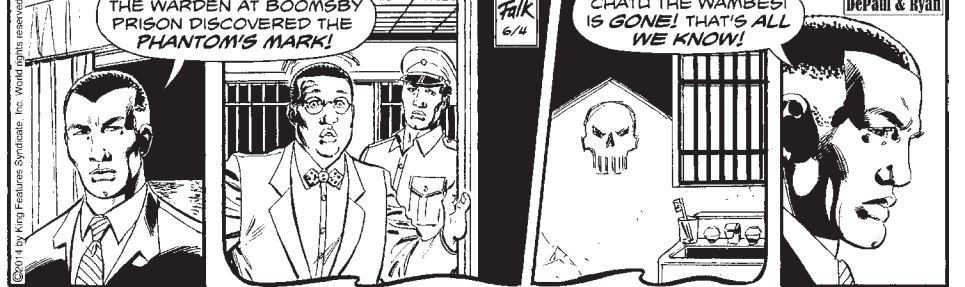
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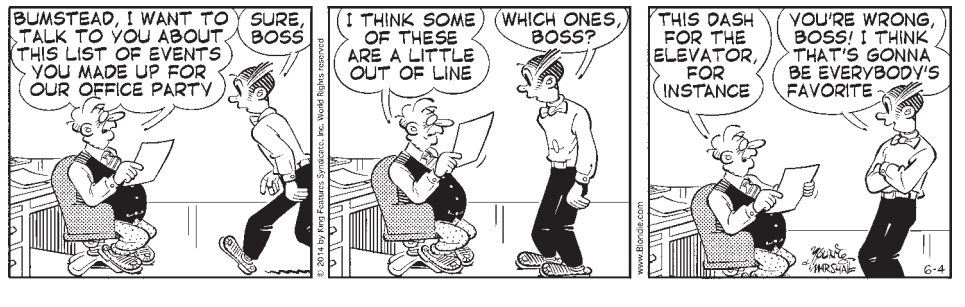
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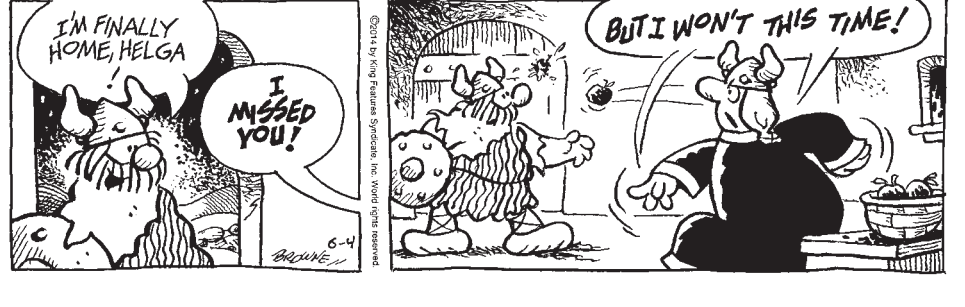
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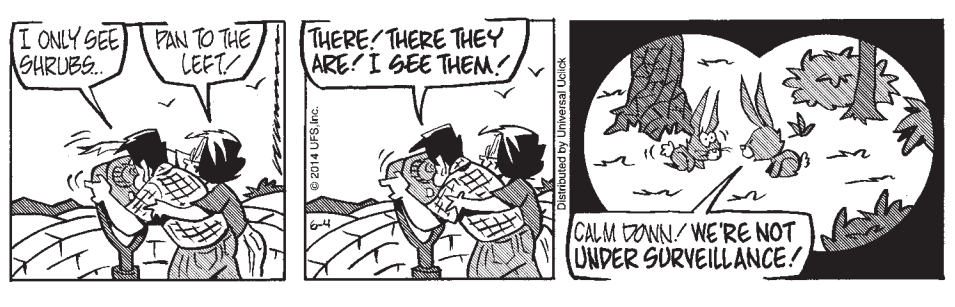
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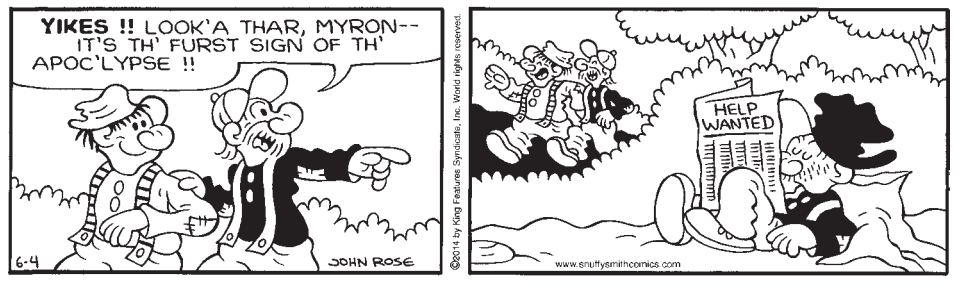
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Sorghum success

Once ignored Southern food suddenly getting hot

MICHELE KAYAL
Associated Press

When chef Josh Feathers was growing up in Tennessee, his grandmother always had a jar of sorghum syrup in the cupboard. But he never gave much thought to it, or its significance to Southern culture.

That didn't happen until he'd grown up, moved away, then returned home to work at Blackberry Farm in Walland, Tennessee. "My mentor, while we were creating desserts he said, 'This is one of the main ingredients you need to look at,'" recalls Feathers, now corporate chef at Blackberry Farm. "This is a truly Southern heritage ingredient we want to highlight."

Today, much of the country — even the South itself — is experiencing a similar delayed appreciation for sorghum.

Sorghum syrup — or "sorghum molasses" as it's sometimes called — has long been a staple of certain Southern cupboards. Pressed from the tough, grassy stalks of the sweet sorghum plant, then boiled down, it was seen as the province of grandmothers, a stodgy, household ingredient no one paid much mind.

No more. Sorghum syrup and even sorghum grain are being thrust into the limelight by a new generation of chefs in the South and beyond who appreciate its complexities and its provenance.

"Sorghum wasn't considered a noble ingredient 10 years ago," says Edward Lee, chef of two Louisville, Kentucky, restaurants and author of the cookbook "Smoke and Pickles." "The first thing I



get is this very rustic nuttiness, this umami nuttiness, then the grassiness. And then the sweetness unfolds around that. It's a unique flavor. And it adds a lot of depth to what you're cooking, more so than honey."

Lee is not alone. He uses sorghum as a glaze for foie gras and highlights its distinct flavor in sorghum-and-grits ice cream. Feathers calls it "an all-purpose item" that can be drizzled over biscuits, shines up breakfast sausage and enlivens vinaigrettes.

Vivian Howard, chef and co-owner of The Chef and the Farmer in Kinston, North Carolina, has deployed sorghum in candied yams. Washington, D.C., chef and restaurateur Jeff Tunks uses sorghum on his "low-and-slow" roast duck. And in Philadelphia, chef Jeremy McMillan of Talula's Garden combines it with black garlic to glaze carrots.

Demand for sorghum syrup has doubled during the last five years, says James Baier, executive secretary of the National Sweet Sorghum Producers and Processors Association, rising so fast that some of his 300 members have begun running out before the new season starts.

Demand is being driven by the public's search for alternative sweeteners, Baier says, and also by the light shined on sorghum by chefs, restaurants, even cocktail mixologists.

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MATTHEW MEAD / AP

A caramelized onion and feta grilled pizza in Concord, N.H.

A grilled pizza for when you have too many onions

J.M. HIRSCH
AP Food Editor

Onions are a bit of a problem for me. They are one of my reflex buys.

So I decided to come up with a grill-friendly way of using a whole mess of caramelized onions. My solution? A grilled white pizza topped with onions and garlic spiked with caraway seeds and gold-

en raisins. I top it with roasted red peppers, pine nuts and crumbled feta for a kind of Middle Eastern take on grilled pizza.

CARAMELIZED ONION AND FETA GRILLED PIZZA

INGREDIENTS:

- 20-ounce ball purchased pizza crust
- 2 tablespoons butter
- 2 medium yellow onions, thinly sliced

SEE ONION | C3

Lesser-known seasoning is a surprisingly versatile spice

A friend recently informed me that she had found a nice sale on spices and bought two jars of cumin.

"So what do I use it for?" she wanted to know.

I had to stop and think. There had been a partly used container of cumin the last time I cleared out my outdated spices, but I couldn't immediately recall why I had stocked it.

"I think it's used in curry," I said. "And in Latin American cook-



MARY RYDER

PRACTICAL POTWATCHER

ing. Maybe for Jamaican jerk chicken."

"That sounds too hot and spicy to me," she said. "But if you think of anything else, let me know."

So I went away brooding on the problem, and in the middle

SEE RYDER | C5



PHOTOS BY MATTHEW MEAD / AP

ABOVE: Blueberry sorghum spoon bread is served in a bowl. INSET: Sorghum syrup is used on blueberry pancakes.

Recipe for open-faced stuffed portobello sandwiches

SARA MOULTON
Associated Press

Like Philadelphia itself, there is a lot to love about the city's signature sandwich — the cheesesteak.

But that delicious combination of beef, onions and cheese isn't the sort of thing you want to pack away every day, unless you're looking to pack on pounds. So I decided to see if I could make a healthier sandwich that is inspired by the cheesesteak, but is a bit more suited to the everyday.

I started by swapping out the beef in favor of that

I decided to see if I could make a healthier sandwich that is inspired by the cheesesteak, but is a bit more suited to the everyday. I started by swapping out the beef in favor of that most steak-like of mushrooms, the portobello.

most steak-like of mushrooms, the portobello. Actually, it's just the roomy cap of the portobello, filled to the brim with roasted red peppers, grilled scal-

lions, olives and mushroom trimmings, then topped with melted provolone cheese, and lubricated with a little bit of rosemary mayonnaise.

Finally, the whole thing is set on a slice of grilled rustic bread. It may be meatless, but it is not a punk. And heartiness aside, portobellos — like all of their mushroom brethren — are chock-full of nutrients.

But these big mushrooms have to be cleaned before they can be savored. Start by removing the dark

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An open-faced stuffed portobello sandwich is shown in Concord, N.H.

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SORGHUM

FROM PAGE C1

Distillers have begun producing a rum-like product from sorghum, Baier says, and others using it to make whiskey, beer and cocktail bitters. Soy sauce producers have also shown interest, he says.

Sorghum grain also is ambling to center stage on many chefs' plates. Harvested from a short, stout version of the sorghum plant, the tiny grain has been used as food in Africa for thousands of years, but has been known in the United States mainly as bio-fuel or animal feed.

Today, the grain is being milled into flour and marketed to the gluten-free and whole-grain markets, and is being used by chefs in soups, stews and salads. Only 2 percent of production currently goes to food, says Tim Lust, chief executive officer of the United Sorghum Checkoff Program, which markets the grain, but that figure is growing by 25 percent a year.

Cookbook author Martha Rose Shulman has compared sorghum grain to Israeli couscous, and recommends it as a base for a black-bean stew as well as for a salad with cucumber, avocado and cherry tomato. At the Clifton Inn in Charlottesville, Virginia, chef Tucker Yoder combines the grain and the syrup in a quinoa and sorghum pudding. New York chef Marc Forgione has offered sorghum as a side to items such as arctic char.

"The closest possible thing you can compare it to is a real heirloom farro," says Forgione, who is working with Lust's group to cook a three-course sorghum lunch at a June trade show. "It tastes like the ancient grain that it is. It's got a great bite to it. It's very earthy. When



MATTHEW MEAD / AP

Sweet and spicy double sorghum salad is served in a bowl.

we do it risotto style — I cook mine al dente anyway — it has a nice chew to it, a full texture."

So is sorghum the next quinoa? Forgione has one word: Sriracha.

"If someone had told us 10 years ago that this condiment you can't even pronounce was going to be the number one selling condiment, you wouldn't have believed it," he says. "You never know."

BLUEBERRY SORGHUM SPOON BREAD

- Start to finish: 1 1/2 hours (30 minutes active)
- Servings: 8

INGREDIENTS:

- 3 cups milk
- 1/2 cup sorghum syrup
- 1 teaspoon kosher salt
- 1 1/4 cups cornmeal
- 3 eggs
- 1/4 cup (1/2 stick) unsalted butter, melted
- 1 1/2 teaspoons baking powder
- 2 cups blueberries

DIRECTIONS:

1) In a medium pan over medium-high heat, combine the milk, sorghum syrup and salt. Bring to a boil then, while whisking, pour in the cornmeal in a steady stream. Continue stirring and cooking for 2 minutes, or until the mixture thick-

ens. Remove from the heat and cool to room temperature.

2) Heat the oven to 350 F. Coat a 9-by-9-inch baking pan or a 1 1/2-quart baking dish with baking spray.

3) Transfer the cornmeal mixture to the bowl of a stand mixer fitted with a whisk. Add the eggs, melted butter and baking powder. Beat on medium to combine, then increase speed to high and beat for 6 to 8 minutes, or until the mixture is lighter in both color and texture. Fold in the blueberries, then spoon into the prepared pan. Bake for 30 to 40 minutes, or until lightly browned. Serve warm.

SWEET-AND-SPICY DOUBLE SORGHUM SALAD

Sorghum grains resemble couscous and taste like a cross between barley and rice. This hearty grain salad is delicious served over a bed of greens, such as arugula.

- Start to finish: 2 hours (30 minutes active)
- Servings: 8

INGREDIENTS:

- 2 cups sorghum grains
- Kosher salt
- 3 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 tablespoon minced garlic
- 1 large sweet onion, chopped
- 1/2 teaspoon red pepper flakes (more or less to taste)

- 3 tablespoons sorghum syrup
- 2 tablespoons lemon juice
- 2 tablespoons balsamic vinegar
- 1/2 teaspoon smoked paprika
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cumin
- 1/3 cup chopped golden raisins
- 1/3 cup toasted sunflower seeds
- Hot sauce, to taste

DIRECTIONS:

1) In a medium pan over medium-high heat, combine the sorghum grains and enough water to cover them by 2 inches. Add a generous pinch of salt, then bring to a boil and cook for 1 hour to 1 hour and 15 minutes, or until the grains are tender. If needed, add water during cooking to maintain the level. Use a mesh strainer to drain, then set aside to cool.

2) Meanwhile, in a large skillet over medium, heat the olive oil. Add the garlic, onion and red pepper flakes and cook for 12 to 15 minutes, or until golden brown and very tender. Set aside to cool.

3) In a medium bowl, whisk together the sorghum syrup, lemon juice, vinegar, paprika and cumin. Add the onion mixture, and then stir in the sorghum, raisins and sunflower seeds. Season with additional salt and hot sauce.

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Local pantries will provide meals for children this summer

Summer is here, but what does that mean? For many of Lake County's youngest residents, it means there is no school. For some, that also means two meals they will miss because those meals are usually a part of their school's free or reduced meal program.

Over 40 percent of Lake County students qualify for free or reduced breakfast and lunch, and recent cutbacks to the food assistance program will leave a big gap for many families when it comes to providing these meals that are usually served at school. Where will students turn for help with these missing meals, and what can you do to help?

First, you can donate to your local food pantries, such as Lake Cares Food Pantry in Mount Dora, First Baptist Church of Umatilla

and the Leesburg Food Bank.

Over the summer break, Lake Cares Food Pantry plans on feeding over 200 children the meals they would normally eat at school by providing kid-friendly food that can be easily prepared at home. You can help fill the gap by donating easy-to-prepare meals.

Food pantries are requesting healthy treats like raisins, animal crackers, boxed low-sugar cereal, microwaveable meals and canned pasta dishes. All agencies can use cash donations to purchase fresh fruits and vegetables, milk and eggs.

Take advantage of your local grocery store's buy one, get one free deals and donate your free items. If you have a garden at home, share your harvest. When all else fails, donate cash or time. You will be surprised how



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much of an impact two to four hours each week will make.

Following are some facilities that will provide breakfast and lunch Monday through Friday during the summer. Meal times vary at each location.

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■ **YMCA/Tavares** — Call Nikki Wiggins at 352-343-1144.

■ **Eustis Elementary** — Call Cindy Domitrovich at 352-357-5878.

If your child must prepare meals at home this summer, consid-

er the Cooking for Kids Class offered by Planning with Pennies. This kid-friendly class prepares kids for the kitchen by teaching them skills to prepare healthy, family-friendly snacks that require minimal adult participation.

Two classes will be offered in June for \$15 per child. Food is included. For information, call Lake Cares Food Pantry at 352-383-0100.

If you or your organization is filling the gap this summer by helping to feed our local children, I want to know. Email your name, organization and pertinent information to ZeCarter@aol.com so that I can include it in future articles or on my Facebook page.

Share your favorite recipe and story and you could win a prize. Send your recipe and story to zecarter@aol.com, or Ze' Carter c/o The Roaming Gourmet, 408 N.Tremain St., Mount Dora 32757.

ONION

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- 1/3 cup golden raisins
- 4 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 tablespoon caraway seeds
- 12-ounce jar roasted red peppers, drained and sliced
- Olive oil
- 1/3 cup pine nuts
- 1/2 cup crumbled feta cheese

DIRECTIONS:

- 1) Set the pizza crust, in the bag, on the counter to come to room temperature.
- 2) Meanwhile, in a large, heavy pot, such as a cast-iron Dutch oven, over medium heat, melt the butter. Add the onions and cook, stirring often, for 18 to 20 minutes. Stir in the raisins, garlic and caraway seeds, then cook for another 3 minutes, or until the onions are significantly reduced and caramelized.

Stir in the red peppers, then transfer the mixture to a bowl and set aside.

3) When the onions are done, heat the grill to medium-high.

4) On a lightly floured counter, roll the pizza dough out to a 14-inch round. Brush the top of the dough with oil, then transfer it to a large plate or platter for carrying it to the grill. Have your remaining ingredients prepared, then bring everything to the grill.

5) Flip the dough onto the grill, oiled side down, and cook for 5 minutes, or until the bottom is lightly browned and puffed. Reduce the heat to medium-low, then brush the top of the dough with oil. Use tongs to flip the dough. Spread the onion mixture evenly over the crust, then sprinkle it with pine nuts and feta. Cover the grill and cook for 4 to 6 minutes, or until the bottom is lightly browned and the feta is softened. Serve immediately.

SANDWICH

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gills on the underside, lightly scraping them out with a teaspoon. Then simply rinse the cap on both sides under cold running water to remove any dirt. I know that some folks advise against rinsing, preferring instead to wipe away the dirt with a damp cloth to prevent the mushrooms from getting waterlogged. In fact, a quick rinse doesn't harm them and it's infinitely quicker and more thorough than wiping them clean. Just pat the caps dry afterward so they'll be able to absorb the marinade.

And that's the amazing thing about portobellos. Though they have a high water content, if you plunk them into a flavorful marinade, they still absorb it quickly.

Topping-wise, I've gone the Mediterranean route, but you're welcome to substitute the toppings of your choice. Maybe you'll want to grill and chop up some complementary mushrooms — like shiitake or oyster — and put them on top of the portobello. Maybe you'll opt to top it off with grilled broccoli, asparagus or onions. Likewise, if you're not crazy about provolone, you can swap in thin slices of mozzarella, cheddar or Italian fontina. Finally, if don't like mayo on your sandwiches, don't use it. Dijon mustard works very nicely in its place.



MATTHEW MEAD / AP

Though portobellos have a high water content, they still absorb marinade quickly.

But however you customize it, I urge you to try adding this super-satisfying vegetarian ringer to the menu the next time you're grilling up hot dogs and burgers in the backyard, and see if you don't win some converts.

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■ To remove the gills from the underside of the portobello mushrooms, use a spoon to gently scrape them out.

■ Start to finish: 40 minutes (25 active)

■ Servings: 4

INGREDIENTS:

- 1 garlic clove, minced
- 1 tablespoon Dijon mustard
- 2 tablespoons sherry vinegar
- 2 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil
- Salt and ground black pepper
- 4 large portobello mushrooms, stems and gills discarded
- 1/2 cup light mayonnaise

- 2 teaspoons finely minced fresh rosemary
- Olive oil cooking spray
- 1/2 cup medium chopped jarred roasted red peppers
- 1/2 cup pitted black olives, medium chopped
- 6 large scallions, bottoms trimmed
- 4 slices rustic whole-grain bread
- 4 thin slices provolone cheese (about 3 ounces total)

DIRECTIONS:

- 1) Heat the grill to medium.
- 2) In a small bowl, combine the garlic, mustard, vinegar, olive oil, and a hefty pinch each of salt and pepper. Brush the marinade on both sides of the mushrooms, then transfer them to a zip-close plastic bag, along with any remaining marinade. Let them marinate at room temperature for 20 minutes.
- 3) Meanwhile, in a small bowl combine the mayonnaise and rosemary, then season with salt and pepper. In a medium bowl combine the peppers and olives,

then season with pepper. Set aside.

4) Spray the scallions with the cooking spray and grill them, turning often, until they are charred on the edges and crisp tender, 3 to 4 minutes. Transfer them to a cutting board and let them cool slightly. Medium chop the scallions and add them to the bowl with the peppers and olives.

5) Mist the bread with cooking spray, then grill it until it is lightly toasted on both sides. Set aside.

6) Grill the mushrooms, gill sides down, 3 to 4 minutes. Turn them over and grill on the on the second side until tender when pierced with a knife, another 3 to 4 minutes. Spoon a quarter of the olive-pepper mixture evenly on top of each mushroom. Top with a slice of cheese, cover the grill and cook until the cheese is melted, 1 to 2 minutes.

7) Spread the mayonnaise mixture on each piece of bread. Transfer each mushroom to one slice of bread. Cut in half and serve right away.

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Although cumin is sometimes described as having a peppery flavor, I don't find it peppery at all. True, it's one of the "warm" spices, but it has its own distinctive flavor, and for some, it's definitely an acquired taste.

of the night, woke up thinking about the first time I had encountered that particular spice. Gail was one of my church friends many years ago when I lived and worked in Washington, D.C. We enjoyed getting together on weekends to browse the shops, or enjoy a long, leisurely lunch at one of the area's many interesting restaurants. And whenever the Jose Greco Spanish dance troupe came to town, we joined forces for the Sunday matinee, usually followed by supper at my apartment.

On this particular occasion, we had met unexpectedly at a shop where I was seriously considering a bright red dress with white embroidery imported from Greece, and Gail was feebly resisting the temptation to buy a hand-knit shopping bag from Peru. She invited me to her apartment for a late lunch. "I'll make tacos," she promised.

This was long before the Taco Bell chain made tacos and enchiladas and chalupas available at every crossroads, so I was greatly impressed, and said so. "Oh, my Puerto Rican friend showed me how to make them," Gail laughed, tossing her long, blonde hair. "It's easy. You'll see!"

I was skeptical. Tacos appeared on the sampler platters we usually ordered when celebrating the arrival

of payday with Saturday lunch at our favorite Mexican restaurant, and I was convinced that nothing so expensive could possibly be produced in an ordinary bachelorette kitchen without vast skill and great effort.

As Gail promised, the process was indeed simple. I watched while she chopped and sautéed onion, squeezed a clove of garlic through a garlic press, then added lean ground meat, which she seasoned with generous sprinklings of salt and cumin as it browned.

"What's that?" I asked.

"That's cumin," she explained. "Latins use it like pepper. You'll almost never see pepper on the table in a Latin restaurant, and if you want it, you have to ask for it." (Gail had recently visited Puerto Rico with her Puerto Rican friend.)

While the meat browned, she warmed tortillas in the oven. Quickly and efficiently, spoonfuls of the meat were loaded into the shells, now cool and crisp, then chopped lettuce, diced tomato and shredded cheese. Meanwhile, Gail had decided to show off by making lemon curd for our dessert, and it was cooking quietly over a low burner.

We set out the lunch on Gail's little folding table, adding a small bowl

of sour cream and a plate of avocado slices. It proved a most satisfying late lunch, and surveying the remnants of our feast, I thought with astonishment, "Gee — even I could do that!"

Although cumin is sometimes described as having a peppery flavor, I don't find it peppery at all. True, it's one of the "warm" spices, but it has its own distinctive flavor, and for some, it's definitely an acquired taste.

In addition to being an important condiment in Latin American cuisines and as an ingredient in curries, it appears in many of the seasoning mixes and sauces of East Indian cookery. In local supermarkets, cumin is found primarily in the ground form. However, many cooks prefer to buy whole seeds and grind them.

In Eastern cultures, a tea made from the seeds is popular as a refreshing beverage, and also as a remedy for such disorders as sore throat, digestive problems, fever and insomnia. Moreover, cumin oil is used for flavoring desserts, condiments and alcoholic beverages, as well as a fragrance in creams, perfumes and lotions. So there.

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Marinades that set up a summer of easy grilling

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Family vacation food memories typically include hamburger stands and chain restaurants. Ours, not so much. Instead, we frequented mom and pop grocery stores in search of just the right items to cook on the campfire.

Dad tended to pork or chicken bronzing over a perfect pile of embers while the rest of us set the table and assembled a salad. Green vegetables emerged from the aluminum kettle on the camp stove.

My folks still prefer to cook. So do I. These days, I seek quick-cooking meals

packed with bold flavor. During the week, a shiny grill proves speedier than a campfire yet still boosts flavor.

First up: A selection of simple, fresh marinades at the ready. This summer, I plan to rely on a couple variations blended from the condiments I've acquired. A jarful of marinade assembled on Sunday can perk up any weeknight meal. The lean meats I cook during the week, such as pork tenderloin and boneless chicken, especially welcome a smear of flavor.

Here are two go-to marinades, one tangy and sweet, the oth-

er garlicky and spicy, sure to make the summer grilling season memorable. Use them on pork tenderloin, skirt steak, skewered shrimp, thick fish fillets and boneless chicken with at least 30 minutes marinating time.

For longer-cooking cuts, such as pork country ribs or chicken on the bone, increase the marinating time to a day or two.

The first recipe sports a pleasing tartness from tamarind fruit — those pale brown pods found in Latin and Asian markets. Inside the pods you'll find a dark brown, jamlike flesh that tastes deeply of citrus.

For ease, I stock bottled tamarind. I'm particularly fond of Neera's tamarind concentrate — it's available on Amazon. I use it in salad dressings, salsas, barbecue sauces and just about any place that I want pure pucker.

It also makes a great citrus juice substitute and keeps in the refrigerator for months. Stir a little into sparkling water or iced tea for a refreshing beverage.

Asian chili pastes are another condiment I find indispensable for quick marinades.

This summer I plan to make good use of the Mama O's Premium Kimchi Paste I found at Whole Foods Market.

Made from red pepper flakes, garlic, ginger, lime, fish sauce and sugar — I like to jazz it up with even



BILL HOGAN/MCT

Sweet and tangy grilled pork tenderloin.

more fresh ginger, garlic and sugar. Readily available imported Asian chili paste with garlic works too.

The salad recipe may be a little more involved than those we made on those long-ago campouts. Nevertheless, recipes here are memories in the making. Great motivation to cook. Always.

SWEET AND TANGY GINGER SOY MARINADE

- Prep: 10 minutes
- Serving size: a generous 1/2 cup

INGREDIENTS:

- 2 large shallots, finely chopped
- 4 cloves garlic, finely chopped
- 1/4 cup soy sauce
- 2 tablespoons tamarind pulp or 1/4 cup fresh lemon juice
- 2 tablespoons grated fresh ginger or refrigerated ginger puree
- 2 teaspoons each: ground coriander, sugar
- 1 teaspoon each: salt, ground cumin
- 1/2 teaspoon cayenne, optional

DIRECTIONS:

- 1) Mix all ingredients in a jar with a tight-fitting lid.
- 2) Refrigerate covered up to 2 weeks.

SPICY GARLICKY RED CHILI MARINADE

- Prep: 5 minutes
- Serving size: about 1 cup

INGREDIENTS:

- 6 tablespoons Asian chili paste with garlic
- 1/4 cup sugar
- 2 tablespoons each: soy sauce, unseasoned rice vinegar, Asian sesame oil
- 6 cloves garlic, crushed
- 2 tablespoons grated fresh ginger or refrigerated puree

DIRECTIONS:

- 1) Mix all ingredients in a jar with a tight-fitting lid.
- 2) Refrigerate covered up to 2 weeks.

SWEET AND TANGY GRILLED PORK TENDERLOIN

- Prep: 15 minutes
- Marinate: 30 minutes or up to 4 hours
- Cook: 20 minutes
- Makes: 4 to 6 servings

INGREDIENTS:

- 1/2 recipe sweet and tangy ginger-soy marinade
- 2 pieces, about 1 pound each, trimmed pork tenderloin
- Cilantro sprigs

DIRECTIONS:

- 1) Put marinade into a plastic food bag or shallow baking dish. Add pork to the marinade; turn to coat. Refrigerate covered at least 30 minutes or up to 4 hours.
- 2) Prepare a charcoal grill or heat a gas grill to medium heat. Remove pork from marinade; place on grill directly over heat source. Cover grill; cook, 10 minutes. Turn tenderloin; move to a cooler section of the grill. Continue grilling until an instant-read thermometer registers 135 degrees in the thickest portion, usually 10-15 minutes more.
- 3) Remove to a cutting board; let rest 10 minutes. Serve thinly sliced and garnished with cilantro.

RED CHILI CHICKEN

- Prep: 15 minutes / Cook: 15 minutes
- Serving size: 4 to 6 servings
- 2 pounds boneless skinless chicken thighs or breasts, or thin pork chops

INGREDIENTS:

- 1/2 recipe spicy garlicky red chili marinade
- Chopped fresh green onions

■ Sesame seeds

DIRECTIONS:

- 1) Put chicken into a shallow baking dish. Smear marinade over all sides to coat it well. Refrigerate for 30 minutes if desired.

- 2) Prepare a charcoal grill or heat a gas grill to medium-high heat. Place chicken on grill, directly over heat source. Cover grill; cook 7 minutes. Flip meat; continue grilling until meat feels almost firm when pressed, 5-8 minutes more. Serve sprinkled with green onions and sesame seeds.

ROMAINE, SPINACH, MANGO AND CILANTRO SALAD

- Prep: 20 minutes
- Serving size: 4 to 6 servings

INGREDIENTS:

- 1 head (8 ounces) romaine, core removed, cut crosswise into 1/2 wide strips
- 6 cups (5 ounces) baby spinach leaves
- 2 firm mangoes, peeled, finely julienned
- 1/2 cup chopped fresh cilantro
- Dressing:
 - 1 1/2 tablespoons Asian sesame oil
 - 3 tablespoons unseasoned rice vinegar
 - 1 tablespoon each: light soy sauce, vegetable oil
 - 1 teaspoon each: chili powder, sugar
 - 1/4 teaspoon salt
 - 1/8 teaspoon crushed red pepper flakes, optional

DIRECTIONS:

- 1) Mix romaine, spinach, mangoes and cilantro in large salad bowl.
- 2) Mix dressing ingredients in a jar with tight-fitting lid. (Dressing can be stored in the refrigerator for a week or more; use at room temperature.)
- 3) Toss salad with dressing just before serving.

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Creamy burrata cheese can be had for a price

SUSAN SELASKY
MCT

Ahhh ... burrata. At a recent cooking demonstration, I was asked where one can buy burrata cheese.

It's the king of rich and creamy cheese. If you've never tried burrata (boor-RAH-ta), think of it like fresh mozzarella's smoother cousin. It's fresh mozzarella stuffed with mozzarella curds and cream. But burrata's exterior is softer than fresh mozzarella. You've got to love that.

Food experts say burrata hails from the Italian region of Puglia and was made as a way to use up scraps of mozzarella cheese. Its name is said to be derived from burro, meaning butter in Italian, which is fitting for its indulgent taste.

True burrata is worth the cost.

You can find burrata at specialty cheese shops, but there's always BelGioioso, a domestic brand of burrata found at most grocery

stores and some specialty cheese shops. An 8-ounce container has two 4-ounce balls of burrata and costs about \$5.15.

Highly perishable, burrata should be used within several days of opening. Zingerman's says its burrata has a five-day shelf life.

Since you forked over good money for burrata, it should be the highlight of whatever dish you are making. Don't let other flavors overpower it. Balance is key.

An example of a great dish that features burrata is caprese salad. The summertime dish consists of fresh mozzarella or burrata, sliced tomatoes and fresh basil leaves. It's drizzled with olive oil and sprinkled with salt and pepper.

PIZZA WITH BURRATA CHEESE, CARAMELIZED ONIONS AND PROSCIUTTO

Makes: 2 pizzas (about 8 wedges each) / Preparation time: 30 minutes (plus dough rising time) / Total time: 1 hour



SUSAN SELASKY / MCT

Burrata cheese pairs with prosciutto on a pizza.

INGREDIENTS:

- 1 pound pizza dough, follow rising instructions
- 4 tablespoons olive oil, divided
- 4 to 5 cups sliced onions
- 3 cloves roasted garlic, sliced
- 4 to 6 thin slices prosciutto, torn into pieces or in strips
- 8 ounces or more fresh burrata cheese

- Balsamic glaze, optional
- Extra flour for dusting your work surface
- 1 teaspoon cornmeal

DIRECTIONS:

- 1) Once the dough has come to room temperature, divide it in two. Shape each half into a ball and let them rise until almost double in size.
- 2) Meanwhile, in a large skillet heat 2 tablespoons of oil over medium heat.

Add the onion slices and cook until they are golden brown and caramelized. The onions will reduce to more than half of the original volume.

3) When ready to prepare everything, preheat the oven to 500 degrees. If using, place a pizza stone in the oven while the oven preheats for at least 30 minutes.

4) Once the dough has doubled, roll each ball out to

a 8- to 10-inch shape. It doesn't have to be perfect.

5) Let the dough relax for a few minutes and reshape again if necessary.

6) Transfer the pizza dough to a pizza peel dusted with cornmeal or flour if you have one. If you don't have a peel, use a large upside down baking sheet. This helps transfer the unbaked and baked pizza to the stone.

7) Drizzle 1 tablespoon of the olive oil onto the dough and spread it all over the surface. Scatter half of the caramelized onions and roasted garlic on top. Top with the prosciutto pieces.

8) Take the burrata and break it up into small pieces. Drop pieces randomly over the prosciutto and other ingredients, but don't overcrowd the pizza.

9) Carefully transfer the prepared pizza to the stone and place in the oven. Prepare the other pizza while the first one bakes.

10) Bake pizzas for about 7-10 minutes or until the cheese melts some and bubbles and the prosciutto is slightly crispy. Remove from oven using the pizza peel and cool a few minutes. Place the other pizza in the oven.

11) Drizzle the pizza with some balsamic glaze and slice into wedges. Serve immediately.

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Six great books for grillers or barbecuers

KATHLEEN PURVIS
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We're always torn when we look at new outdoor cooking books. Are they barbecue books or grilling books? As real aficionados of raking food over coals know, barbecue and grilling aren't the same things.

Barbecue fans want intensive cooking projects that can take hours and involve large pieces of meat. Grillers want something they can cook on the patio for dinner.

Here are six new cookbooks that work for both groups.

"FIRE & SMOKE: A PIT-MASTER'S SECRETS"

By Chris Lilly (Clarkson Potter, \$24.99).

Lilly is executive chef of the Big Bob Gibson Bar-B-Q chain, and a figure on the barbecue competition circuit. This hits both barbecue and grilling. It includes a primer on grill types from kamado (Big Green Egg) to Cuban roasting box, and recipes for serious barbecue like St. Louis ribs and easier burgers and sides. Unusual: A whole chapter on pork belly and bacon (yes!) and grilled cocktails, like

grilled-peach sangria.

"WEBER'S BIG BOOK OF BURGERS"

By Jamie Purviance, (Sunset/Weber, \$21.95)

The beauty of grilling burgers is that you can go basic and get plenty of payoff, or fire up the inner foodie with ingredients like camembert and red onion jam. This volume does it all. Does the world really need a quinoa and pinto bean "burger"? Maybe. A gaucho burger (ground chuck and hot Italian sausage) with fried egg and chimichurri? Page 71.

"GUY ON FIRE"

By Guy Fieri (William Morrow, \$29.99).

Fieri's antics make us roll our eyes, but this plays to his strengths in party-ready food. It has a useful chapter on grilling basics and recipes that can shake up your patio life, like his famous Volcano Sauce.

"THE ESSENTIAL NEW YORK TIMES GRILLING COOKBOOK"

Edited by Pete Kaminsky (Sterling Epicure, \$24.95).

Weighty, serious and a little dry, this brings together recipes from the Times food-writing stable, like Craig Claiborne and Molly O'Neill. It covers a wide range, from burgers to shellfish.

"BRAZILIAN BARBECUE & BEYOND"

By David Ponte, Jamie Barber and Lizzy Barber (Sterling Epicure, \$24.95).

Summer cooking ought to be fun, and this colorful book begs for a party, with recipes like a beer-can chicken twist based on the caipirinha cocktail and Parmesan-crust pork tenderloin.

"SMOKIN' IN THE BOYS' ROOM"

By Melissa Cookston (Andrews McMeel, \$22.99).

Great title — and good book. Cookston is a serious barbecuer who has twice been Grand Champion of Memphis in May and now owns restaurants in Mississippi and Fayetteville. Her recipes are traditional favorites, like ribs and sides.

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White wines to watch from both Portugal and Spain

BILL ST. JOHN
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Here's to an interesting summer, with a bunch of white wines from both Portugal and Spain — arguably the two best places in the world to find today's great values in wine — made from grapes you have never heard of, and needn't try to pronounce, and don't even need to remember.

Just find the wines. They'll bring buckets of flavor to your table; they'll make your patio al fresco foods even more delicious than they already are. I've tasted through more than 50 Iberian white wines to nail a dozen and a half that are just pure deliciousness.

You may be familiar with many of the Spanish whites; we all know chardonnay, which Spain also does well, and we've all sipped our share of albarino. But get acquainted with other Spanish grapes such as godello, xarel-lo and verdejo (verdelho in Portuguese). Those three have the green apple, citrus and mineral combo that's something of a mark of Spanish whites. And do not forget sparkling Spanish wines such as cava — they're not inexpensive but are as layered as fine Champagne.

Portuguese white wine grapes are off-the-wall wacky, but only because we do not meet them commonly.

If I had to generalize overall, Portuguese whites taste like riper versions of Spanish whites, more apple compote (baked apple or applesauce) than a snapped bite of Honeycrisp. The deeper, somewhat "darker" flavors are a signal for a different set of foods, such as grilled pork or vegetables, barbecued chicken or room-temp finger foods.

The Spaniards can kick off the night and perhaps begin the meal; the Portuguese can take you through it.

I list the recommended wines below by country and price; if the grape name is not part of the wine's name, I also mark grape names,



BILL HOGAN / MCT

Iberian whites to watch for this summer include Robalino Albarino, Alvarinho Contacto from Anselmo Mendez and Guru from Douro.

just so you can begin nosing your faves.

SPAIN

■ 2012 Vinas del Vero Chardonnay, Somontano, Spain: Think Macon blanc, half price. \$10

■ 2012 Bodegas Robalino Albarino, Rias Baixas, Spain: More texture than many; pop of minerals at the end. \$13

■ 2012 Vina Reboreda White, Ribeiro, Spain: Chill, less aroma than Argentine torrontes; lean and green; treixadura and torrontes. \$13

■ 2012 Bodegas Garca Grande Verdejo "12

Linajes," Rueda, Spain: Citrusy but also melon-y, with long, drying finish. \$14

■ 2013 Raimat Xarel-lo/Chardonnay "Castell de Raimat," Costers de Segre, Spain: Blends lemony xarel-lo with white peachlike chardonnay; especially aromatic. \$15

■ 2012 Vina Somoza Godello "Sobre Lias," Valdeorras, Spain: "Sobre lias" means lees contact, texture and creaminess, all that swaddling white peach and apple. \$20

■ 2012 Bodegas Castro Martin Albarino

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"Sobre Lias," Rias Baixas, Spain: Lime-y and briny, so it says, "Find me shellfish or oysters, por favor." \$24

■ 2012 Terras Gauda White "O Rosal," Rias Baixas, Spain: Great blend for many vintages, a combo of sea breeze, melon and stone fruit; plump texture; albarino, loureiro, caino blanco. \$20

■ 2007 Cordoniu Xarel-lo Gran Reserva "Finca la Nasa," Catalonia, Spain: Bottle age serves it well, with "warm," toasty aromas and flavors framed by taut acidity. \$45

PORTUGAL

■ 2012 Herdade do Esporao Verdelho "V," Alentejo, Portugal: Like California sauvignon blanc but with more

melon and stone fruit; minerals at finish. \$12

■ 2012 Quinta do Passadouro Branco "Passa," Douro, Portugal: Scents and savors of very ripe melon, as if lemon squeezed on it, ending on white chalk note; rabigato and voisinho. \$15

■ 2009 Bacalhoa Moscatel de Setubal, Bacalhoa, Portugal: Do not forget the globe's best value in sweet white wine, this muscat from near Lisbon; orange marmalade, nuts, yums. \$16-\$20

■ 2012 Anselmo Mendes Alvarinho "Contacto," Vinho Verde, Portugal: Like great chenin blanc, ripe pear, with steely edge, minerals and spice; super rich in layers. \$17

■ 2012 Luis Pato

Espumante "Maria Gomes," Bairrada, Portugal: Have this sparkling wine for the grape name alone, maria gomes, made by one of Portugal's most talented, coolest winemakers. \$17

■ 2012 Vadio White, Bairrada, Portugal: A combo of nectarine and white pepper; terrific smoothness; cerceal and bical. \$20

■ 2012 Quinta do Foz de Arouce Branco, Beira Atlantico, Portugal: Like a fjord, deep but focused, linear; fermented and aged in wood, but just long enough to add spice and layers; cerceal (arinto). \$25-\$35

■ 2012 Wine & Soul Branco "Guru," Douro, Portugal: Jump over the hipster name for a killer white aged in oak and made of no grape you've had before; like a warmer-site premier cru white Burgundy, really; voisinho, rabigato, codega and gouveio. \$35-\$45

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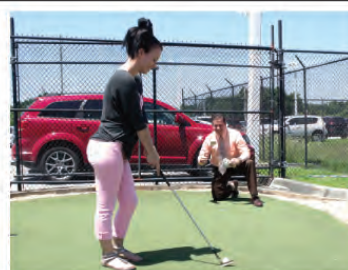
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Eurozone inflation drop seals the deal for ECB

DAVID MCHUGH
Associated Press

FRANKFURT, Germany — Another unexpected drop in inflation in the 18-country eurozone has made it a near certainty that the European Central Bank will act this week to support the economy.

The annual inflation rate fell to 0.5 percent in May, below the 0.6 percent that markets expected, the previous month's 0.7 percent —

and way, way below the ECB's goal of just under 2 percent.

The worryingly low figure has stamped out what few doubts may have been left that the ECB will loosen its monetary policy at its meeting Thursday by cutting interest rates, and possibly more, to try to boost a weak recovery that's fraught with worries.

ECB President Mario Draghi has said that the bank's 24-member governing council is "not

resigned" to the current low rate of price rises.

Inflation that's too low — close to zero — is often a sign of a weak economy, and can be accompanied by high unemployment, such as the 11.7 percent rate in the eurozone.

In Europe, low inflation makes it harder for companies and countries to work off large levels of debt they were saddled with during the continent's economic and financial crisis that

CURRENCIES

Dollar vs.	Exchange Rate	Pvs Day
Yen	102.52	102.44
Euro	\$1.3623	\$1.3597
Pound	\$1.6747	\$1.6747
Swiss franc	0.8967	0.8987
Canadian dollar	1.0911	1.0903
Mexican peso	12.9453	12.9122

saw debt burdens soar.

It also makes it harder for troubled countries in the eurozone to become more competitive in international trade by lowering their costs

of doing business.

For instance, Greece wants to become competitive by reducing the cost of its exports relative to other countries. Low inflation in its trading partners in the rest of the eurozone, however, means the reduction must be even deeper, through spending and wage cuts. And more such cuts in turn hurt growth — a bad spiral to be in.

Even worse than low inflation is outright

deflation — where people come to expect prices to fall and put off purchases and investment, choking off growth. That is a disaster scenario the ECB wants to make sure does not happen.

Much of the drop in inflation is due to low energy and food prices, compounded by the strength of the euro against the dollar. That lowers the prices of imports — particularly energy, which is generally priced in dollars.



AP FILE PHOTOS

The General Motors world headquarters is shown in Detroit.

Before recalls, safety was low in GM hierarchy

TOM KRISHER
AP Auto Writer

DETROIT — To understand how General Motors allowed a problem with a small part to balloon into a crisis, look at the organization chart.

As of early last year, the director of vehicle safety was four rungs down the ladder from the CEO, according to a copy of the chart obtained by The Associated Press. Finance, sales and public relations had a direct path to the top.

"What's a higher priority than product safety?" asks Yale University management and law professor Jonathan Maczey, author of a book on corporate governance. "The organization chart does obviously reflect a company's priorities."

That structure — as well as what new CEO Mary Barra has called a culture that valued cost savings over safety — is likely to be a prime target in a report expected this week from former U.S. Attorney Anton Valukas. He was hired by GM to investigate why the company took more than a decade to recall millions of cars with a defective ignition switch that has now been linked to at least 13 deaths.

Ford and Chrysler, GM's main Detroit competitors, have safety directors higher on their charts than GM does.



Mary Barra, CEO of General Motors, right, and Mark Reuss, Executive Vice President of Global Product Development for GM and President of GM America, watch the introduction of new Chevrolet cars at the New York International Auto Show.

Management experts interviewed by the AP say safety ranks higher at other companies as well, especially food, drug and chemical makers. At some, the safety chief has direct access to the CEO.

It's unclear if the report will discuss the role of top managers in the crisis. Up to now, no evidence has emerged to suggest that top GM executives knew about the switch problem before late last year.

Internal investigations typically blame the bureaucracy, not the bureaucrats, says Erik Gordon, a business and law professor at the University of Michigan.

"Generally they come up with something that looks good enough to the outside world without damaging top management," Gordon says. Valukas is expected to recommend streamlining

the bureaucracy so employees can more easily report problems to top officials. Barra has already taken steps in that direction. Among them:

- She moved the safety chief up one level and gave the job to Jeff Boyer, a longtime GM engineer. Boyer says he has been provided access to Barra and one of her top lieutenants.

- Instead of a series of committees, one five-person body makes recall decisions.

- Barra started a campaign to encourage workers to speak up when they see safety problems that aren't being addressed.

The old structure showed workers that safety wasn't of top importance to management, says Kathryn Harrigan, professor of business leadership at Columbia University. Harrigan suggests that

GM's board form a safety committee to review issues, as is the practice at some food and chemical companies. She says that chemical maker DuPont, for example, is so well-regarded for its safety culture that other businesses turn to it for guidance.

At Chrysler, the safety chief reports to the head of engineering, who reports to the CEO. Ford's safety director reports to a vice president who reports to Mark Fields, chief operating officer and soon-to-be CEO. Still, Ford was fined more than \$17 million last year by safety regulators for not acting quickly enough to recall Escape SUVs with sticking accelerators.

At GM, safety was under Barra for nearly three years in her old job as head of product development, although the head of safety didn't report directly to her. Barra has said she didn't know details of the switch problem until Jan. 31 of this year. Harrigan says that's possible because of the way GM was structured.

But Gordon, the University of Michigan professor, says that Barra shouldn't feel vindicated if the report places the blame on the company's structure.

"This bureaucratic bungling system that let this happen was under her," he says.

CLERMONT

ERA Grizzard Real Estate expands

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ERA Grizzard Real Estate has expanded into Clermont with the acquisition of Clermont's ERA Professional Real Estate Services, according to broker and owner Gus Grizzard.

Grizzard said the deal was finished Friday and became effective Saturday.

He said it is a strategic acquisition in a market where they have been trying to establish roots and market share for about five years.

"I have always, always wanted to have a presence in Clermont — only because I'm very familiar with the community," Grizzard said. "This is a strategic acquisition to allow us to enter a market that we have been trying to enter for years."

He described the Clermont market as very dense, growing, vibrant and thriving.

The Clermont location will be the company's fourth sales office, in addition to a property management office.

"With offices in The Villages, Leesburg, Tavares and Mount Dora, this is a completion of our geographic equation," Grizzard said.

The location has 20 full-time agents and two full-time support staff employees, according to Grizzard. ERA Grizzard Real Estate has 150 agents and staff company-wide.

Grizzard said they are analyzing the Clermont location.

"We're completely in

a needs-analysis mode right now and introducing this team of agents and staff to our systems and procedures, at this point," Grizzard said.

The Clermont acquisition comes after ERA Grizzard Real Estate had a recent event featuring the unveiling of a new name and logo. The former name was ERA Tom Grizzard Realtors.

Gus Grizzard said recently that real estate customers are evolving, and the new name and logo are visual cues to the public that the company is evolving as well.

Melody Bohrer, the senior vice president of broker services and operations for ERA Franchise Systems, said ERA Grizzard was the first office to launch the new ERA logo, which was announced in March.

"It's a very special day for us as a brand, as well as for ERA Grizzard," Bohrer said.

ERA Grizzard Real Estate also plans to relocate its office in The Villages from Suite 200 at 13710 U.S. Highway 441 to 804 County Road 466, according to Grizzard. He hopes to have the new location open by Aug. 1.

He said they want to have a more visible location in The Villages, and he considers C.R. 466 to be the major commercial corridor.

The current location in The Villages is 3,000 square feet and the new one will be 4,300 square feet, Grizzard said, adding that the new location will be designed with the customer in mind.



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ERA Grizzard Real Estate had an event recently celebrating the company's new name and logo.

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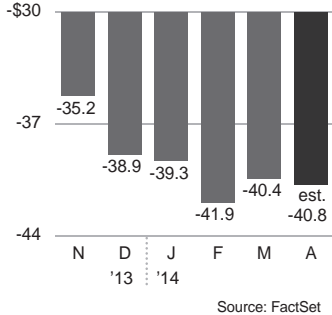
Eye on trade

Economists predict that the nation's trade gap widened slightly in April from a month earlier.

The trade deficit shrunk in March to \$40.4 billion from \$41.9 billion in February, as strong gains in sales of aircraft, autos and farm goods helped cut the imbalance from a five-month high. A smaller trade deficit can boost growth because it means U.S. companies are earning more on their overseas sales. The latest trade gap tally is due out today. The Commerce Department reports data on April factory orders today.

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Economic snapshot

The Federal Reserve releases its latest Beige Book today.

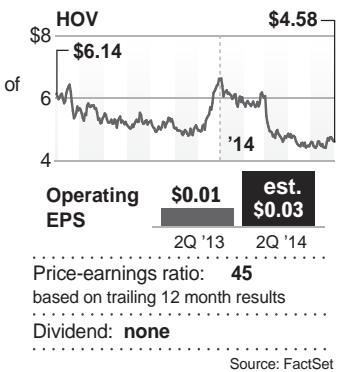
The report is a snapshot of business conditions in each of the Fed's 12 regional bank districts and will be considered along with other data when Fed policymakers meet June 17-18. The April survey showed economic growth picking up across most of the U.S. as severe winter weather eased.



Selling season boost?

Hovnanian Enterprises' latest quarterly report card should provide insight into how sales of new homes are faring.

The company, which was ranked the nation's seventh-largest U.S. builder last year, reports on completed quarters, reports fiscal second-quarter financial results today. Wall Street predicts the homebuilder's earnings and revenue improved versus the same period last year.



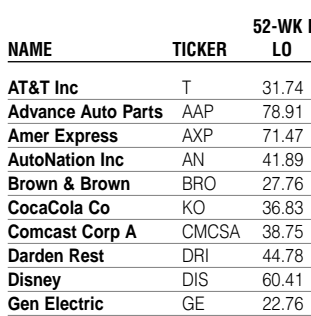
Stocks Recap

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Vol. (in mil)	2,773	1,654								
Pvs. Volume	2,461	1,560								
Advanced	1182	994								
Declined	1917	1575								
New Highs	164	61								
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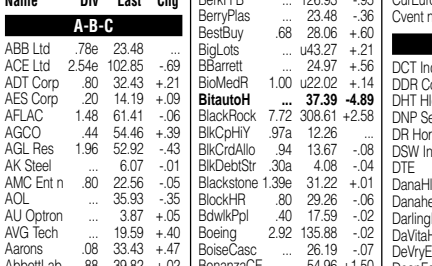


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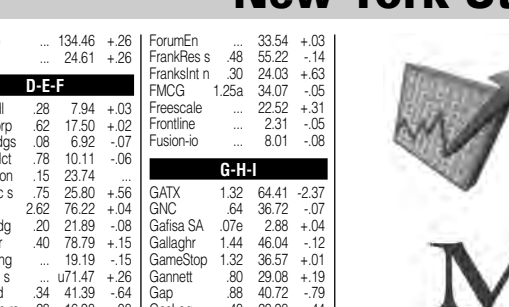
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Advance Auto Parts	AAP	78.91	78.91	129.99	125.23	+0.6	+0.5	▲	▲	▲	+1.1	+53.0	20	0.24
Amer Express	AXP	71.47	71.47	94.35	91.73	-0.2	-0.2	▲	▲	▲	+1.1	+22.6	18	1.04f
AutoNation Inc	AN	41.89	41.89	57.70	57.70	+0.2	+0.5	▲	▲	▲	+1.1	+24.0	19	...
Brown & Brown	BRO	27.76	27.76	35.13	30.11	-0.8	-0.3	▼	▼	▼	+1.1	-5.2	21	0.40
CocaCola Co	KO	36.83	36.83	41.73	40.88	+0.2	...	▲	▲	▲	-1.0	+5.0	22	1.22f
Comcast Corp A	CMCSA	38.75	38.75	55.28	52.32	-0.4	-0.5	▲	▲	▲	+0.7	+32.9	19	0.90
Darden Rest	DFRI	44.78	44.78	55.25	50.24	-0.4	-0.8	▲	▲	▲	+7.6	+2.0	20	2.20
Disney	DIS	60.41	60.41	84.42	83.88	-0.39	-0.5	▼	▼	▼	+9.8	+35.0	22	0.86f
Gen Electric	GE	22.76	22.76	28.09	26.79	-0.4	-0.1	▼	▼	▼	+4.4	+18.6	20	0.88
General Mills	GIS	46.18	46.18	55.06	55.05	+1.4	+0.3	▲	▲	▲	+10.3	+19.9	20	1.64f
Harris Corp	HRS	47.69	47.69	79.32	75.56	-1.62	-2.1	▼	▼	▼	+8.2	+57.3	18	1.68
Home Depot	HD	72.21	72.21	83.20	80.67	+0.30	+0.4	▲	▲	▲	-2.0	+4.9	21	1.88
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Lowes Cos	LWO	38.87	38.87	52.08	47.22	+0.21	+0.4	▲	▲	▲	-4.7	+13.3	21	0.92f
NY Times	NYT	10.00	10.00	17.37	14.81	-1.2	-0.8	▼	▼	▼	-6.7	+42.4	37	0.16
NextEra Energy	NEE	74.78	74.78	101.50	97.16	-0.2	...	▼	▼	▼	+13.5	+32.2	21	2.90
PepsiCo	PEP	77.01	77.01	88.48	88.22	+0.35	+0.4	▲	▲	▲	+6.4	+11.6	20	2.62f
Suntrust Bks	STI	30.17	30.17	41.26	38.99	+1.2	+0.3	▲	▲	▲	+5.9	+2.7	14	0.80f
TECO Energy	TE	16.12	16.12	18.45	17.19	+0.03	+0.2	▲	▲	▲	-0.3	+2.4	18	0.88
WalMart Strs	WMT	71.51	71.51	81.37	76.71	-0.05	-0.1	▼	▼	▼	-2.5	+5.1	16	1.92f
Xerox Corp	XRX	8.66	8.66	12.65	12.46	+0.05	+0.4	▲	▲	▲	+2.4	+43.9	13	0.25

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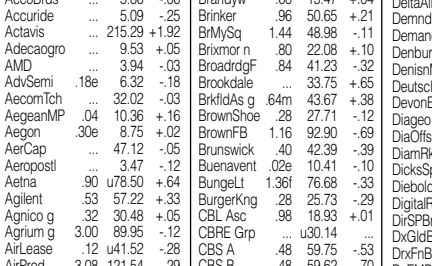
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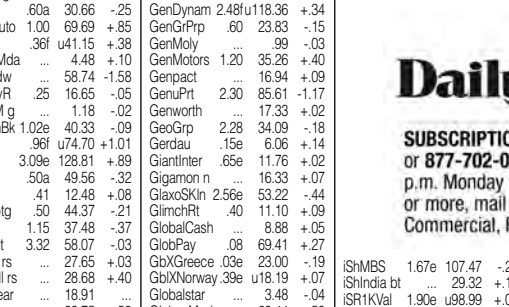
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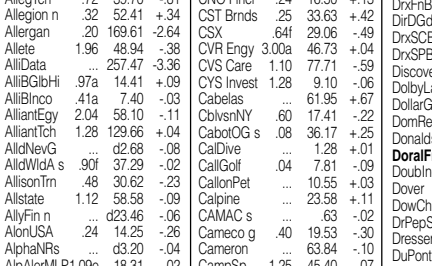


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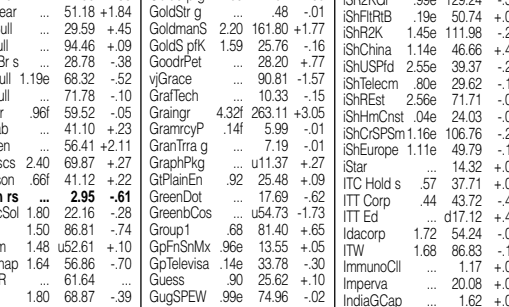
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Advance Auto Parts	AAP	78.91	78.91	129.99	125.23	+0.6	+0.5	▲	▲	▲	+1.1	+53.0	20	0.24
Amer Express	AXP	71.47	71.47	94.35	91.73	-0.2	-0.2	▲	▲	▲	+1.1	+22.6	18	1.04f
AutoNation Inc	AN	41.89	41.89	57.70	57.70	+0.2	+0.5	▲	▲	▲	+1.1	+24.0	19	...
Brown & Brown	BRO	27.76	27.76	35.13	30.11	-0.8	-0.3	▼	▼	▼	+1.1	-5.2	21	0.40
CocaCola Co	KO	36.83	36.83	41.73	40.88	+0.2	...	▲	▲	▲	-1.0	+5.0	22	1.22f
Comcast Corp A	CMCSA	38.75	38.75	55.28	52.32	-0.4	-0.5	▲	▲	▲	+0.7	+32.9	19	0.90
Darden Rest	DFRI	44.78	44.78	55.25	50.24	-0.4	-0.8	▲	▲	▲	+7.6	+2.0	20	2.20
Disney	DIS	60.41	60.41	84.42	83.88	-0.39	-0.5	▼	▼	▼	+9.8	+35.0	22	0.86f
Gen Electric	GE	22.76	22.76	28.09	26.79	-0.4	-0.1	▼	▼	▼	+4.4	+18.6	20	0.88
General Mills	GIS	46.18	46.18	55.06	55.05	+1.4	+0.3	▲	▲	▲	+10.3	+19.9	20	1.64f
Harris Corp	HRS	47.69	47.69	79.32	75.56	-1.62	-2.1	▼	▼	▼	+8.2	+57.3	18	1.68
Home Depot	HD	72.21	72.21	83.20	80.67	+0.30	+0.4	▲	▲	▲	-2.0	+4.9	21	1.88
IBM	IBM	172.19	172.19	210.05	184.37	-1.32	-0.7	▼	▼	▼	-1.7	-8.8	12	4.00f
Lowes Cos	LWO	38.87	38.87	52.08	47.22	+0.21	+0.4	▲	▲	▲	-4.7	+13.3	21	0.92f
NY Times	NYT	10.00	10.00	17.37	14.81	-1.2	-0.8	▼	▼	▼	-6.7	+42.4	37	0.16
NextEra Energy	NEE	74.78	74.78	101.50	97.16	-0.2	...	▼	▼	▼	+13.5	+32.2	21	2.90
PepsiCo	PEP	77.01	77.01	88.48	88.22	+0.35	+0.4	▲	▲	▲	+6.4	+11.6	20	2.62f
Suntrust Bks	STI	30.17	30.17	41.26	38.99	+1.2	+0.3	▲	▲	▲	+5.9	+2.7	14	0.80f
TECO Energy	TE	16.12	16.12	18.45	17.19	+0.03	+0.2	▲	▲	▲	-0.3	+2.4	18	0.88
WalMart Strs	WMT	71.51	71.51	81.37	76.71	-0.05	-0.1	▼	▼	▼	-2.5	+5.1	16	1.92f
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Advance Auto Parts	AAP	78.91	78.91	129.99	125.23	+0.6	+0.5	▲	▲	▲	+1.1	+53.0	20	0.24
Amer Express	AXP	71												

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 5TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA
 GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION

CASE NO 2012 CA 003407

FREEDOM MORTGAGE CORPORATION, Plaintiff,
 vs.
 KORENA MONOSKI-SHIPTON; KENNETH W. SHIPTON, JR. et al., Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Summary Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated May 8, 2014 entered in Case No.2012 CA 003407 of the Circuit Court of the Fifth Judicial Circuit in and for LAKE County, Florida, wherein FREEDOM MORTGAGE CORPORATION is the Plaintiff and KENNETH W. SHIPTON, JR.; KORENA MONOSKI-SHIPTON A/K/A WENDIE KORENA MONOSKI-SHIPTON A/K/A WENDIE KORENA MONOSKI; UNKNOWN TENANT I; UNKNOWN TENANT II WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., SUCCESSOR BY MERGER WITH WACHOVIA BANK, N.A.; AND ANY UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, CREDITORS, AND OTHER UNKNOWN PERSONS OR UNKNOWN SPOUSES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH AND UNDER ANY OF THE ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANTS are the Defendants. I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the first floor of the courthouse, near the information desk, 550 West Main Street, Tavares, FL 32778, beginning at 11:00 AM, on the JUL 03, 2014, the following described property as

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set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

THE LAND REFERRED TO IN THIS EXHIBIT IS LOCATED IN THE COUNTY OF LAKE AND THE STATE OF FLORIDA IN DEED BOOK 4261 AT PAGE 41 AND DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS. LOT 21 IN KNOLLWOOD VILLAGE, A SUBDIVISION IN THE CITY OF EUSTIS, FLORIDA, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 24, PAGE 17, PUBLIC RECORDS OF LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA

Dated this 13 day of MAY, 2014

NEIL KELLY
 As Clerk of the Court
 By: /s/D.NEAL
 As 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 Nicole Berg, the ADA Coordinator at the Office of the Trial Court Administrator, Lake County courthouse, P.O. Box 7800/550 W. Main Street, Tavares, Florida 32778, Telephone (352) 253-1604, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

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COURTHOUSE AT 550 W. MAIN STREET, in Tavares, FL 32778 11:00 a.m. on the 3 days of July, 2014 the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

LOT 11, CRICKET LAKE VILLAGE, SECOND ADDITION, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN THE PLAT BOOK 30 PAGE 66, PUBLIC RECORDS OF LAKE 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

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WELLS FARGO FINANCIAL SYSTEM FLORIDA, INC. Plaintiff,
 vs.
 MARSHA L. SMITH, WELLS FARGO FINANCIAL BANK; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF MARSHA L. SMITH; UNKNOWN TENANT(S) IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY, Defendants.

RE-NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order Resetting Foreclosure Sale dated the 27 day of March, 2014 and entered in Case No. 2011 CA 003190 of the Circuit Court of the 5th Judicial Circuit in and for Lake County, Florida, wherein WELLS FARGO FINANCIAL SYSTEM FLORIDA, INC. is the Plaintiff and MARSHA L. SMITH, WELLS FARGO FINANCIAL BANK, UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF MARSHA L. SMITH; AND UNKNOWN TENANT(S) IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY are defendants. The Clerk of this Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at THE LOBBY ON THE FIRST FLOOR OF THE

CASE NO. 12 CA 001957

NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE, LLC., PLAINTIFF,
 vs.
 DAVID BERNDT, ET AL., DEFENDANTS.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated MARCH 4, 2014 in the above action, I will sell to the highest bidder for cash at Lake, Florida on JULY 8, 2014 at 11:00 a.m. at First floor Lobby at main courthouse (near info. desk) 550 W. Main St. Tavares, FL 32778 for the following described property:

Lot 148, of PARK PLACE ON LAKE JOANNA SECOND ADDITION, according to the Plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 37, at Page 63, of the Public Records of Lake County, Florida.

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the Lis Pendens, must file a claim within sixty (60) days after the sale.

DATED March 5, 2014
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Clerk of the Court
/s/D. MATTSON
Deputy Clerk of the Court

Plaintiffs Attorney
Gladstone Law Group P.A.
1499 W. Palmetto Park Road,
Suite 300
Boca Raton, FL 33486

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 5th JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION

CASE NO. 13 CA 1864

NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC, PLAINTIFF,

vs.

MARSHALL E. PITTS, ET. AL., DEFENDANT(S).

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated APRIL 30, 2014 and entered in Case No. 13 CA 1864 in the Circuit Court of the 5th Judicial Circuit in and for Lake County, Florida wherein NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC was the Plaintiff and MARSHALL E. PITTS, ET. AL., the Defendant(s). I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, beginning at 11:00 a.m. at the First floor of the Lake County Courthouse, 550 W. Main St., Tavares, FL 32778 on the 8 day of July, 2014, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment:

Lot 13 and the Northerly 20 feet of Lot 14, Block 2, in H.L. Kerl's Second Addition of the City of Leesburg, Florida, as recorded in Plat Book 4, Page 59, Public Records of Lake County, Florida.

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus of 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.

Dated May 1, 2014
NEIL KELLY
Clerk, Circuit Court
/s/ A. THIGPEN
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 5TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA

Case No.:2013-CA-1373

BRANCH BANKING & TRUST COMPANY, a North Carolina banking corporation, Plaintiff,

vs.

HENRY R. VILLALVA and HEIDI A. VILLALVA, husband and wife, UNKNOWN TENANT #1, and UNKNOWN TENANT #2, Defendants.

AMENDED NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered in this cause on March 5, 2014, pending in the Circuit Court of the Fifth Judicial Circuit in and for Lake County, Florida, Case No. 2013-CA-1373, the Clerk will offer for sale, the real and personal property situated in said County, described as:

SEE ATTACHED EXHIBIT "A" at public sale to the highest and best bidder for cash on the 8 day of July, 2014, at 11:00 a.m. at the first floor lobby of the Lake County Courthouse, 550 West Main Street, Tavares, 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.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of this Court on the 16 day of April, 2014.
NEIL KELLY, Clerk of Court
By: /s/ A. THIGPEN
Deputy Clerk

REQUESTS FOR ACCOMMODATIONS BY PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES
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EXHIBIT A
MORTGAGED PROPERTY

All of Grantors' right, title and interest in and to the following described real property, together with all existing or subsequently erected or affixed buildings, improvements and fixtures, all easements, rights of way and appurtenances, all water, water rights, watercourses and ditch rights (including stock in utilities with ditch or irrigation rights) and all other rights, royalties and profits relative to the real property, including without limitation all mineral, oil, gas, geothermal and similar matters, located in Lake County, State of Florida:

WEST 1/2 OF TRACT 2, SECTION 26, TOWNSHIP 23 SOUTH, RANGE 25 EAST, POSTAL COLONY COMPANY, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 8, PAGE 31. OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA the "real property").

Together with a security interest in the Rents and Personal Property, as

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defined as follows:

Personal Property: The words "Personal Property" mean all equipment, fixtures, and other articles of personal property now or hereafter owned by Grantor, and now or hereafter attached or affixed to the Real Property; together with all accessories, parts, and additions to, all replacements of, and all substitutions for, any of such property; and together with all proceeds (including without limitation all insurance proceeds and refunds of premiums) from any sale or other disposition of the Property.

Property: The word "Property" means collectively the Real Property and the Personal Property.

Real Property. The words "Real Property" mean the real property, interests and rights, as further described in this Mortgage.

Rents. The word "Rents" means all present and future rents, revenues, income issues, royalties, profits, and other benefits derived from the Property.

The Property is located in Lake County at 8044 Lake Nellie Road, Clermont, Florida 34711.

1-Grantors shall mean Henry R. Villalva and Heidi A. Villalva, husband and wife.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL ACTION

CASE NO.: 2013 CA 003263
DIVISION: 03

NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC, PLAINTIFF,

vs.

TRACY L. SKEEN , et al, Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Mortgage Foreclosure dated MAY 1, 2014 and entered in Case No. 2013CA003263 of the Circuit Court of the FIFTH Judicial Circuit in and for LAKE County, Florida wherein NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC is the Plaintiff and TRACY L. SKEEN; GWINDA L. MIXON; GRAND ISLAND OAKS HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC.; are the Defendants. The Clerk of the Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at ON THE FIRST FLOOR OF THE LAKE COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 550 WEST MAIN STREET, TAVARES, FLORIDA 32778 at 11:00AM, on the JUL 03, 2014 day of the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment:

LOT 14, GRAND ISLAND OAKS, PHASE I, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 52, PAGES 50 AND 51, PUBLIC RECORDS OF LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA.

A/K/A 36353 GRAND ISLAND OAKS CIRCLE, GRAND ISLAND, FL 32735

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WITNESS MY HAND and the seal of this Court on MAY 1, 2014
Neil Kelly
Clerk of the Circuit Court
By: /S/D. NEAL
Deputy Clerk

Ronald R Wolfe & Associates, P.L. P.O. Box 25018
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NO.: 2011 CA 003605

DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE FOR THE CERTIFICATE HOLDERS OF THE FIRST FRANKLIN MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST 2006-FF4, MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-FF4, Plaintiff,

vs.

PATRICK RIORDAN, et. al., Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS GIVEN that, in accordance with the Plaintiff's Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on April 29, 2014 in the above-styled cause, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash on JUL 03, 2014 at 11:00 A.M., at the Lake County Courthouse, 1st Floor, 550 W. Main Street, Tavares, FL 32778:

LOT 48, MAGDA ESTATES, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 27, PAGE 2 AND 3, PUBLIC RECORDS OF LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA

Property Address: 9935 FAIRWAY CIRCLE, LEEESBURG, FL 34788

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: MAY 1, 2014

NEIL KELLY, CLERK
By: /s/D. NEAL
Deputy Clerk

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION

CASE NO. 35 2012 CA 001841
SECTION: 7

WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., AS TRUSTEE FOR THE CERTIFICATE HOLDERS OF BANC OF AMERICA ALTERNATIVE LOAN TRUST 2005-11, MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2005-11, Plaintiff,

vs.

CHRISTOPHER P. NUNES; 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; SLEEPY HOLLOW HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.; BANK OF AMERICA, Defendants

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order of Final Summary Judgment of Foreclosure dated NOV. 26, 2014 entered in Civil Case No. 35-2012-CA-001841 of the Circuit Court of the Fifth Judicial Circuit in and for Lake County, Florida wherein the Clerk of the Circuit Court will sell to the highest bidder for cash on 8, day of July, 2014 at 11:00 a.m. at the Lake County Courthouse Lobby, First Floor, 550 West Main Street, Tavares, Florida 32278, in accordance with Chapter 45 Florida Statutes, relative to the following described property as set forth in the Final Judgment, to wit:

LOT 20 SLEEPY HOLLOW SUBDIVISION FIRST ADDITION, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 49, PAGE(S) 43-44 AS RECORDED IN THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA.

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AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT. 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: ADA Coordinator, Lake County P.O. Box 7800/550 W. Main Street Tavares, FL 32778 Phone (352) 253-1604 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.

DATED AT TAVARES, FLORIDA THIS 28 DAY OF MAY, 2014

/S/A. THIGPEN,
Deputy Clerk
NEIL KELLY
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA

ATTORNEYS FOR PLAINTIFF
MORRIS HARDWICK SCHNEIDER, LLC
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NO.: 13 CA 990

HARTWOOD RESERVE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION INC. a Florida not-for-profit corporation, Plaintiff,

vs.

OSVALDO O. GOMEZ, ET. AL., Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45, FS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to A Summary Final Judgment in favor of the Plaintiff dated the 1 day of APRIL 2014, and entered in Case No. 13CA990 of the Circuit Court of the Fifth Judicial Circuit in and for Lake County, Florida in which the Clerk of this Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash in The First Floor Atrium Near the Front Desk, Lake County Courthouse, 550 W. Main St., Tavares FL 32778 at 11:00 AM, on the 8th day of JULY, 2014 the following described property as set forth in the Summary Final Judgment, to wit:

Lot 45, of HARTWOOD RESERVE-Phase 1, according to the Plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 54, Pages 88 through 98, of the Public Records of Lake County, Florida

Property Address: 4509 Powderhorn Place Dr., Clermont, FL 34711

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.

Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 - Administrative Order No. 97-3. 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 Administrator at 550 W. Main Street, Tavares, Florida, 32778, Telephone: (352) 253-1604, within 2 working days of your receipt of this notice; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 1-800-955-8771 or call 1-800-955-8770.

Dated this 4 day of April, 2014

Neil Kelly
Clerk of the Circuit Court
By: /s/A. THIGPEN
Deputy Clerk

Plaintiff's Attorney:
Larsen & Associates, P.L.
3005 S Orange Ave, Suite 1200
Orlando, FL 32801

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION

Case No.: 2009 CA 004946

NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE, LLC, Plaintiff,

vs.

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LEGALS

RALPH E. OSBURN, et.al, Defendants,

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Final Judgment dated April 21, 2014 entered in Civil Case No.: 2009 CA 004946, of the Circuit Court of the Fifth Judicial Circuit in and for Lake County, Florida, wherein NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE, LLC, is Plaintiff, and RHONDA M. MEZO: UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF RALPH E. OSBURN IF ANY; JOSE A. VICIOSO; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF JOSE A. VICIOSO IF ANY; KARINA VICIOSO; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF KARINA VICIOSO IF ANY; 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; JOHN DOE AND JANE DOE AS UNKNOWN TENANTS IN POSSESSION, ARE Defendant(s). NEIL KELLY, the Clerk of Court shall sell to the highest bidder for cash at 11:00 a.m., at the first floor near the information desk, Lake County Courthouse, 550 West Main Street, Tavares, FL 32778 on 8 day of JULY, 2014, the following described real property as set forth in said Final Summary Judgment, to wit:

BEGIN AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF BLOCK 112, IN THE CITY OF EUSTIS, FLORIDA, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 1, PAGE 79, PUBLIC RECORDS OF LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA RUN THENCE SOUTH ALONG THE WEST LINE OF CENTER STREET 68 FEET, THENCE NORTH 143 FEET, THENCE NORTH 68 FEET TO THE SOUTH LINE OF WOODWARD AVENUE, THENCE EAST ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF WOODWARD AVENUE 132 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

This property is located at the Street address of 600 S. Center St. Eustis FL 32726

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

WITNESS my hand and the seal of the court on May 8, 2014.

NEIL KELLY
CLERK OF THE COURT
By: /s/A. THIGPEN
Deputy Clerk

Attorney for Plaintiff:
Elizabeth R. Wellborn, P.A.
350 Jim Moran Blvd, Suite 100
Deerfield Beach, FL 33442
Telephone: (954) 354-3544
Facsimile: (954) 354-3545

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT, If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator, Nicole Berg at (352) 253-1604 at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving your notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION

CASE #2010 CA 004230
DIVISION 4

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION
Plaintiff,

vs.

Deborah Ann Alf; Woodridge Master Association, Inc. a/k/a Woodbridge Master Association, Inc. Woodbridge Phase II Homeowner's Association, Inc.; Woodbridge Phase One Homeowners Association, Inc. Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a order resccheduling foreclosure sale or Final Judgment in Civil Case No. 2010 CA 004230 of the Circuit Court of the 5th Judicial Circuit in and for Lake County, Florida wherein JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, PLAINTIFF and DEBORAH ANN ALFF are Defendant(s), I, Clerk of Court, Neil Kelly, will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash ON THE 1ST FLOOR OF LAKE COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 550 W. MAIN STREET, TAVARES, FL. AT THE INFORMATION DESK, AT 11:00 A.M. on July 8, 2014, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to-wit:

LOT 24, WOODRIDGE PHASE II, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 37, PAGES 14 THROUGH 16, INCLUSIVE, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF LAKE 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.

NOTICE TO PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES
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Dated March 6, 2014
Neil Kelly
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
Lake County, Florida
/s/L. MIKELL
DEPUTY CLERK OF COURT

ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF:
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NO.: 2012 CA 003205

BRANCH BANKING & TRUST, Plaintiff(s),

vs.

ELIZABETH A. WATSON; et. al., Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that sale will be made pursuant to an Order or Final Summary Judgment. Final Judgment was awarded on APRIL 16, 2014 in Civil Case No. 2012 CA 003205 of the Circuit Court of the Fifth Judicial Circuit in and for LAKE County, Florida, wherein, BRANCH BANKING & TRUST is the Plaintiff, and ELIZABETH A. WATSON; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF ELIZABETH A. WATSON; SUNTRUST BANK; AND UNKNOWN TENANT(S) IN POSSESSION ARE Defendant(s).

The clerk of the court, NEIL KELLY will sell to the highest bidder for cash at at 11:00 a.m. on June 19, 2014 in the first floor lobby near the information desk in the Lake County Courthouse beginning the following described real property as set forth in said Final Summary Judgment, to wit:

THE SOUTH 23 FEET OF LOTS 5 AND 6; THE WEST 11 FEET OF LOT 6, LESS THE SOUTH 23 FEET THEREOF, AND LOTS 7 AND 8, LESS; BEGIN AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SAID LOT 7, RUN THENCE NORTH 19.39 FEET, THENCE WEST 66 FEET TO A POINT LOCATED 20.44 FEET TO THE SOUTH-WEST CORNER OF SAID LOTS, THENCE EAST 66 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, ALL BEING IN BLOCK 10 IN PRESCOTT'S ADDITION TO THE CITY OF EUSTIS, FLORIDA, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 1, PAGE 14, SAID BLOCK 10 ALSO BEING DESCRIBED AS BLOCK 68 OF THE CITY OF EUSTIS, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 1, PAGE 79, ALL IN THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA.

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 806E ORANGE AVENUE, EUSTIS, FLORIDA 32726

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 THE SEAL OF THE COURT ON APRIL 17, 2014.

CLERK OF THE COURT
Neil Kelly
/s/D.NEAL
By: Deputy Clerk

Aldridge Connors, LLP
Attorney for Plaintiff(s)
1615 South Congress Avenue, Suite 200
Delray Beach, FL 33445
Phone:561.392.6391
Fax: 561.392.6965

IMPORTANT
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Court of the 5th Judicial Circuit in and for Lake County, Florida wherein BAC Home Loans Servicing, L.P. f/k/a Countrywide Home Loans Servicing, L.P., Plaintiff and Tiffani R. Foster, a/k/a Tiffani Foster are defendant(s), I, Clerk of Court, Neil Kelly, will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash ON THE 1ST FLOOR OF LAKE COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 550 W. MAIN STREET, TAVARES, FL, AT THE INFORMATION DESK, AT 11:00 A.M. on July 8, 2014, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to-wit:

LOT 211, OF SPRING VALLEY PHASE IV, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 48, PAGE(S) 25, 26 AND 27, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF LAKE 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.

NOTICE TO PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES Any 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 ADA Coordinator at the Office of the Trial Court Administrator, 550 West Main Street, Post Office Box 7800, Tavares, Florida 32778; Telephone: (352) 253-1604, within two (2) Working days of your receipt of this notice. If you are hearing or voice impaired, call 1-800-955-9771.

Dated March 5, 2014
Neil Kelly
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
Lake County, Florida
/s/ D. MATSON
DEPUTY CLERK OF COURT

ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF:
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NOTICE Under Fictitious Name
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To Whom It May Concern;
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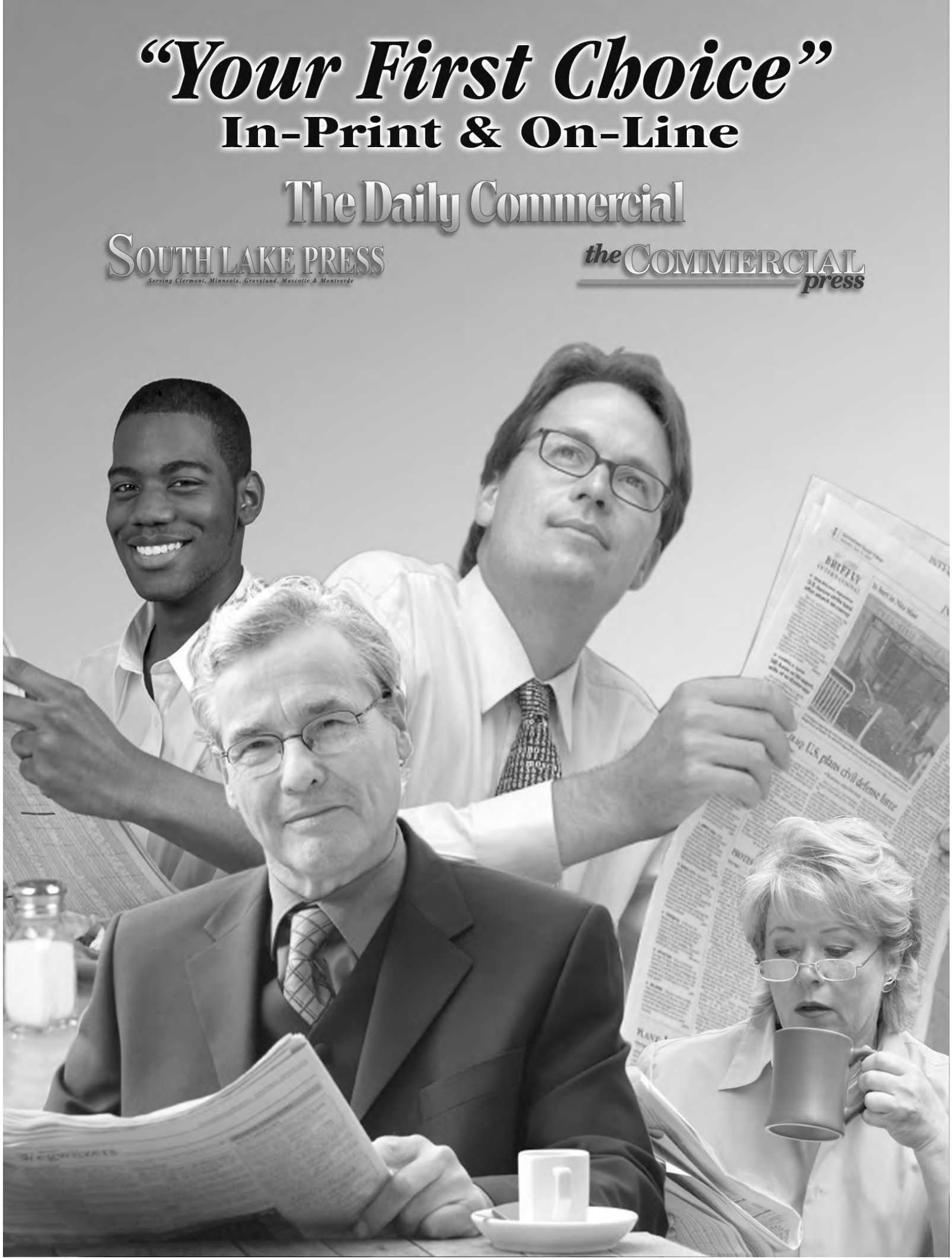
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