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Don't take your eyes off the weather forecasts for the next few days. Tropical Storm Chantal is forecast to come within 150 miles of Miami early on Saturday as a tropical depression.

It's unlikely to be a hurricane when it gets here, but it has the potential to dump a lot of rain on us.

"It's just too early to say," said meteorologist Barry Baxter of the National Weather Service. "What we're telling everybody is just pay attention." **Story, 1B**

Horses nailed into stables, saved

Two malnourished horses, left without water and near death, were rescued from a South Florida ranch after being found all but abandoned in nailed-shut stalls fashioned from wooden pallets.

The animals — one said to be days away from dying and with large open sores — were discovered Sunday in Miami Gardens by police acting on a tip from an anonymous caller. "There is no excuse for this," said Laurie Waggoner, with the South Florida Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. **Story, 1B**

POLICE USE LIQUID ASSET

'SmartWater CSI' nabs its first South Florida suspect, cops say



Images from police surveillance video inside a bait car show the suspect opening the unlocked door, left, being sprayed by SmartWater CSI, center, then checking his hands. The stain isn't visible in normal light. To see the full video, go to SunSentinel.com/Smartwater.

BY IHOSVANI RODRIGUEZ
Staff writer

FORT LAUDERDALE — The car burglary suspect told police he was only looking for something to eat, but all he got was a splash of water.

And it was that splash that allegedly did him in. Little did the suspected car burglar know that the water is one of the latest crime-fighting tools — a liquid known as SmartWater CSI that leaves a stain invisible to the naked eye.



Jackson

SmartWater is credited with helping Fort Lauderdale police make a case against Michael Jackson, 21, who police said was caught on video burglarizing a "decoy" car.

Jackson is the first person arrested in South Florida with the help of the liquid solution that leaves a semi-permanent splash that can be viewed only with ultraviolet black lights. Police said distinguishable markings were found all over Jackson's hands and arms when he was arrested on Sunday.

"He had it on for almost 24 hours

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SmartWater leaves a stain on thieves that can be seen only under ultraviolet light. It can also be used to mark property to help identify it after a burglary.

Beach parking shrinks

Margaritaville project closes popular garage for 3 years

BY SUSANNAH BRYAN
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HOLLYWOOD — Davie mom Amy Gildon drove up and down the beach Monday desperately searching for a parking space.

She had no idea that the Margaritaville Hollywood Beach Resort was about to break ground — or that her favorite parking place, the Johnson Street garage, soon will be torn down to make way for construction.

As of Monday, Hollywood beach lost 786 parking spaces in the garage and neighboring lot in preparation for Margaritaville's groundbreaking later this month.

If all goes as planned, the garage will be demolished to make way for the 350-room, 17-story resort slated to rise on 5 acres at Johnson Street and the Boardwalk. Public restrooms, a playground and exercise stations will also be torn down.

Developer Lon Tabatchnick, expected

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US cuts hit senior meals

BY DIANE C. LADE
Staff writer

South Florida seniors who are frail, disabled or living alone will find it harder to get home-delivered meals now that long-predicted federal cuts in aging service dollars have reached the local level.

Broward Meals on Wheels, which serves more than 1,300 seniors a week, instituted a waiting period this month for the first time in many years. Some families who had filled out paperwork and were expecting their meals to start arriving soon are being told their start date is unknown.

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YOUR NATION, YOUR WORLD

Leaker didn't mean to harm US security, judge is told

Army Pfc. Bradley Manning wanted Americans to know how the Pentagon was waging wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, his defense told the court-martial. **2A**

Texas Gov. Perry won't stand again

Rick Perry, 63, ruled out seeking a fourth term in 2014 — but he didn't rule out another run for the White House. **4A**



Dozens killed in Egypt as army opens fire on sit-in

The aftermath of the violence, and the calls for reprisals, offer a chilling view of the chaos that could be in store for the country in the wake of the military crackdown. **3A**

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to take possession of the site Tuesday, could not be reached for comment.

With construction scheduled to take 27 months, nearby businesses fear the parking crunch might chase away customers.

“The problem is surviving for 30 months,” said Saul Dominguez, owner of the Beach Market convenience store. “I’m worried about people not being able to park — my customers, everyone. Today, business is OK. But this weekend, I may notice a difference.”

The new Margaritaville resort will have a 1,056-space garage, with 600 spaces set aside for the public.

“No doubt beach parking is at a premium, not just in Hollywood, but everywhere,” said Raelin Storey, spokeswoman for the city. “We had in inventory of 2,800 public spaces on the beach. That drops down to 2,014. It definitely creates a crunch. But it will be a



JOE CAVARETTA/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Employees of Hollywood Stone remove pavers from the beach at the Johnson Street lot in front of the garage.

short-term problem.”

To help beachgoers, the city has posted parking options on its website (www.hollywoodfl.org).

Fans of the \$147 million project call the parking shortage a necessary inconvenience that will be well

worth all the trouble.

They mention the “Margaritaville Effect” a phrase being used to describe the redevelopment boom many anticipate will accompany construction of the Jimmy Buffett-themed resort.

“We need some progress

Video

Hollywood loses beach parking spaces to Margaritaville construction. SunSentinel.com/hollywoodparking

around here,” said Ivan Siego, 67, during a lunch break at Joe’s Tiki Bar, not far from the closed garage. “This place has been dying for years. I like Hollywood, but it needs a revamp.”

For Hollywood resident Ken Luciani, the jury is still out.

“I don’t know if it’s a good thing or a bad thing,” said Luciani, 42, who makes a living renting cabanas, lounge chairs and umbrellas near the band shell in front of the Margaritaville site.

“Some people are excited, and some are sad. Margaritaville is definitely going to bring more people. I just hope it doesn’t take away from the unique little spots we have on the beach.”

Over at Nick’s Bar and Grill, owner Bob Ferro sat perched on a barstool, talking of big plans.

Parking crunch on Hollywood beach

A major parking garage closes as construction is expected to begin on Margaritaville.



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“What do I think of Margaritaville?” he said. “I’ve been waiting 25 years for it. I think Margaritaville is go-

ing to change this entire beach into an upscale, better beach.”

Ferro says he plans to knock down his beachfront eatery and build a two-story restaurant in its place.

“We’ve had a parking problem for 30 years,” he said. “They get here somehow. We’ve had parking problems for years — and we’re going to continue to have a parking problem. It may be a bit more of a hassle when that garage comes down, but it’s not going to be forever.”

Gildon, the Davie mom determined to find a space near Hollywood’s beach, finally gave up after 20 minutes of searching.

Instead, she and her kids wound up at the pier in Dania Beach.

But they’ll be back to Hollywood one day soon, she says.

“My kids love Hollywood beach,” she said. “It’s always hard to park down there. Next time, we’ll have to get there earlier and hope to find a spot.”

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WATER

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and didn’t even realize he had it on him,” said police spokeswoman Detective DeAnna Greenlaw.

According to police, this is how Jackson was left stained and red-faced:

Police detectives parked an unlocked “decoy” car inside the parking garage of the popular Beach Place, where detectives noted a recent rash of car burglaries. The car came equipped with a hidden camera and a purse designed to spit out a large cloud of the Smartwater liquid once it was tampered with.

According to an arrest report, Jackson walked up to the decoy car about 9 a.m. Saturday and opened the rear unlocked door. On the video, a man is seen rummaging through the purse and gets hit with a spray. The man appears stunned at first and is seen smelling his hands.

“At this point it looks like he had no idea what just happened to him,” Greenlaw said. The man is then seen on the video searching through the purse again before backing away and leaving. He smells his hands once again.

The burglary set off an alarm letting police know someone had opened the door. A detective, who later saw the video, said he recognized the man as Jackson, whom he knew from previous cases, according to the police report.

After a daylong search, police caught up to Jackson, who is homeless, on Sunday morning. A detective waved a black light over Jackson and noticed water marks all

over his hands, arms and clothing, according to the arrest report.

Jackson allegedly confessed to burglarizing the car, saying he was hungry and looking for something to eat, according to his arrest report. Jackson was charged with one count of car burglary and ordered to remain in jail because he was already out on bail for an unrelated burglary case.

Police officials, who began using Smartwater in January, plan to use it more often in other operations.

City officials have handed out 500 SmartWater kits to residents of South Middle River so they can mark their personal belongings. If any of the residents are robbed or burglarized, police will be able to trace the stolen property back to the owners, officials said.

Last month, police in Riviera Beach announced they too will begin using SmartWater to combat crimes. Company officials said the police there plan to distribute the kits to several area businesses starting this month.

SmartWater CSI president Logan Pierson said Monday it was exciting to see his company’s product help catch a car burglary suspect. He believes news of the arrest will serve as a deterrent to crime.

“Next time a bad guy will know there are consequences. He’ll have to wonder, is that another bait car? Is that another bait van?” Pierson said. “It’s something that not only works physically, but psychologically as well.”

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MEALS

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The recent cuts will only make the situation worse in Palm Beach County, which already was dealing with a home-delivered meals waiting list this year.

Now the line will get longer as programs struggle to serve the most needy and stretch their dollars, said Jaime Estremera-Fitzgerald, CEO of the Area Agency on Aging of Palm Beach/Treasure Coast, which plans and manages services for a five-county area.

“It’s so frustrating to keep finding out there is a waiting list for everything,” said Jeanette Rivera, of Coral Springs, who had recently applied for Broward Meals on Wheels for her parents.

Seniors who currently receive home-delivered meals will not be dropped.

The federal Older Americans Act finances lunches and home-delivered prepared food, as well as van rides, senior center activities and some at-home care services like light house-keeping.

Programs are open to anyone age 60 and older regardless of income, although those in greatest social and economic need get priority under the act.

When funding decreases, required by the sequestration, were implemented, some programs lost more than the anticipated 5 percent bite.

“[Program providers] are scrambling, but there’s not much we can do. The reality is less people can be served,” said Estremera-Fitzgerald, who estimated his service area lost about \$500,000, about 8 percent of its Older Americans Act dollars.

Meal programs were among those hit hardest by the sequestration, state officials said.

Among Florida’s total \$5.6 million Older American’s Act decrease, \$3.5 million came out money for home-delivered meals or hot lunch sites.

Broward Meals on Wheels Executive Director Mark Adler saw an 8 percent decrease for home-delivered meals, double what he was expecting.



AMY BETH BENNETT/STAFF FILE PHOTO

Meals on Wheels client volunteer Jean Dubois unloads boxes of food for delivery in Tamarac. The program is facing cuts because of the federal budget.

He said about 65 percent of the \$2.5 million in federal money he gets for that service comes from the Older Americans Act.

Just since last week, the waiting list already is 40 people long.

“They understand these are the cuts everyone has been talking about. They tell us they hope they won’t have to wait long but we tell them we aren’t sure,” Adler said.

Program managers are looking at ways to cut costs. Adler said families who can afford it are being encouraged to purchase the agency’s Complete Cuisine home-delivery service at \$41 a week, or take advantage of Meals on Wheels volunteer shoppers who purchase and deliver groceries that seniors pay for.

Estremera-Fitzgerald said some hot lunch programs are compensating by cutting out breakfasts, if they were serving them, or looking at closing less busy locations.

Ruth Rales Jewish Family Service, a nonprofit agency based in Boca Raton, often receives calls from seniors needing home-delivered meals, which in that area come through The Volen Center in Boca Raton.

“But we know many people, when we refer them, may not be able to get access for a long time, if at all,” said Ruth Rales CEO and president Danielle Hartman.

So working with the Jewish Federation of South Palm Beach County and private donors, Ruth Rales plans to start its own home-delivered kosher meal program in the fall.

The Jewish Association for Residential Care, which serves developmentally disabled adults, also will be involved.

Hartman said the goal is to serve about 35 to 50 elders in the Boca Raton and Delray Beach area.

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