



## JORDAN URGES PENCE TO 'REBUILD TRUST' AFTER JERUSALEM PIVOT

Jordan's king appealed Sunday to U.S. Vice President Mike Pence to "rebuild trust and confidence" in the possibility of a two-state solution to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, following fallout from the Trump administration's decision to recognize Jerusalem as Israel's capital. *See The News Wire*

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## Businesses remain open during remodeling

By LAUREN COFFEY  
STAFF WRITER

NORTH PORT — While the city is a young town, some of the oldest buildings in North Port are getting an update.

Four developments in North Port are participating in the U.S. 41 Facade Improvement Program, which is funded through the Community Development Block Grant.

"You drive past Cocoplum Plaza and think it's a beautiful shopping center, but those are high rents and a smaller business person will have a hard time to be in that place," said Randy Welker, North Port's business advocate. "You don't want people who drive by and have people not want to go in there. What this program does is simply upgrade the building so people says 'Oh wow, that looks nice.'"

Ashley Plaza is the first to receive the updates, which aims to standardize the city's "Mediterranean-style" building codes. Construction began in December and is expected to take 12 weeks.

But owners at the plaza are concerned the huge amount of construction is deterring customers.

"We don't want to start a debate and it's great for the grant, we just want to let people know we're still here," Strawberry Moon owner Teresa Benes said. "Absolutely, in

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# Environmental center gets record \$213K donation

By GARY ROBERTS  
STAFF WRITER

PUNTA GORDA — At precisely 10:57 a.m. on March 22 of last year, Doris Button, CEO of the Charlotte Harbor Environmental Center, was in the office when the phone rang. On the other end of the line was Jack Kleven, who offered the organization

his condo.

"I couldn't believe my ears," she said.

But Button became a believer when the condo was transferred to CHEC in April, then sold to a buyer in July for \$213,000, becoming the largest donation in CHEC's 30-year history. How this all came to pass shows that willful generosity, and pure happenstance,

can combine for good fortune.

"It just kind of happened," Kleven said.

He and his wife, Judy McCalla, loved their winter home in Riverwood, but wanted to change condos. However, after almost a year on the market, their home wouldn't sell and the snowbirds ended up with two condos.

So, after doing some research

on tax law, the couple went online to find a worthy nonprofit for their condo contribution. On that fateful day in March, Kleven put in a call to CHEC.

Although the Minnesota natives had never visited the environmental campus on Burnt Store Road in Punta Gorda, they knew the group

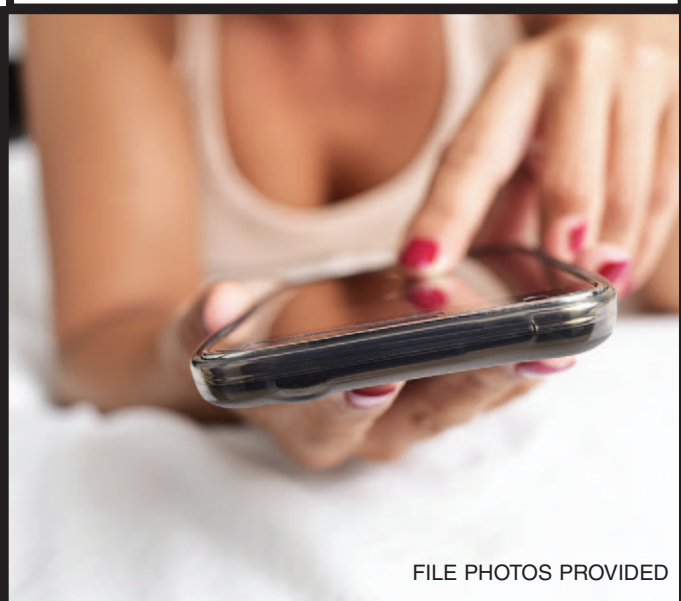
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# 'SEXTING' CONSEQUENCES



## BOTTOM LINE

Charlotte County officials hope a new sexting citation will reduce the number of students sending nude photos or videos electronically.



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# New citation provides penalties for juvenile sexting violations

By ANNE EASKER  
STAFF WRITER

Juveniles caught sending nude photos or videos electronically in Charlotte County will now face consequences, due to a new sexting citation put in place by the Charlotte County Sheriff's Office.

CCSO Cpl. Joe Eilerman said sexting is an issue that comes up at least once a month in schools throughout the county, generally in the middle schools and high schools.

The Florida sexting statute, passed in 2015, states that a minor commits the offense of sexting if he or she knowingly distributes any photograph

or video of any person which depicts nudity and is harmful to minors. There is also a violation if he or she possesses such material distributed by another minor, unless the material was not solicited and the minor took reasonable steps to report it to a legal guardian or a school or law enforcement official.

The law made a single first offense a noncriminal violation, while a second violation is a misdemeanor, and a third is a felony. However, according to Eilerman, the Legislature failed to provide a standardized citation for law enforcement to enforce the statute. Since there was no delivery method for the initial violation, there was no way to apply the misdemeanor or felony charges.

"For the first year, we were waiting to see if the state would come up with a standardized citation like traffic and tobacco citations," he said. "We thought maybe the state would create its own form, but after the two-year mark and going and talking to more people, it seemed like something that had to be done at your own agency."

In July, Eilerman met with other agencies at the Florida Association of School Resource Officers conference to see what other agencies were using and began creating a local version of the citation, which has recently been approved. School resource officers are ready to use it the next time a sexting incident

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## GOOD MORNING

# She wants her dreams for Parkside to come true



John HACKWORTH  
COMMENTARY EDITOR

A couple years ago, Ann DeVore gave a check for \$100 to someone raising money to beautify Parkside.

She badly wants the Port Charlotte neighborhood — which sits between Midway Boulevard, Conway and U.S. 41 — to reinvent itself. She even wrote a letter to the editor outlining her vision for the area.

"I like flowers and trees and good stores and restaurants that I can spend my money in," she told me. "My friends and I go to Fort Myers

a lot and we like the restaurants there. I would rather spend my money here."

Ann said she was disappointed when she noticed a sign erected to welcome people to Parkside. She envisioned something a little more grand, maybe with landscaping around it.

And, while she's excited about the Promenades mall's plans to expand and upgrade, she is anxious whether it will be the answer to her hopes for better restaurants.

She said she has lived in Port

Charlotte for 20 years, and things change too slowly.

Jim Fendrick, who has worked on the Parkside Master Plan and has been heavily involved in work to transform the community, is optimistic her dreams will come true.

"There are things happening right now," he said. "They are building the splash park at McGuire Park that should be ready this summer."

"Harbor Boulevard is moving forward. They are breaking ground on the sidewalks now. And then you

have the Promenades project."

He said the multimillion-dollar Promenades project is exciting.

Plans call for the central building at the complex to be demolished to open a corridor through the mall. That will lead to retail and entertainment options in the rear — including a planned boutique hotel and some mixed-use buildings that will have retail shops below and much-needed housing units on the second floor.

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# Forecast: Cold front for Wednesday

By **DANIEL SUTPHIN**  
STAFF WRITER

National Weather Service forecasts show another cold front for the week, but Southwest Florida residents can keep their plants uncovered and outside as low temperatures are not expected to repeat the region's freezing

temperatures of recent mornings. According to the NWS, the front should enter the region around Tuesday night and remain through Thursday with lows in the mid to upper 50s. To bring in the front, NWS reports that some rain should move through the region on Tuesday morning.

High temperatures for Monday should jump to around 80 degrees with lows in the 60s. Tuesday highs should also be around 80 degrees with lows dropping down into the 60s. Due to the potential rain and high temperatures, some sea fog might come inland on Monday night and into Tuesday morning.

The effects of the cold front should seep in on Wednesday with cloudy skies expected, according to NWS. High temperatures are forecast to be in the lower 70s with lows in the 50s for Wednesday. Mostly sunny skies are expected for Thursday with temperatures mimicking Wednesday's, showing highs in the lower 70s and

lows in the 50s. Those low temperatures should run into Friday morning. Friday forecasts show partly cloudy skies with high temperatures in the mid 70s and lows in the 60s. Cloudy skies are expected for Saturday with a peak in high temperatures at 80 degrees and lows in the mid 60s.  
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## Motorcycle accident leaves rider in critical condition

**CHARLOTTE COUNTY**  
— A St. Petersburg man was in critical condition Sunday at Lee Memorial Hospital after crashing his motorcycle on Interstate 75 near U.S. 17 in Charlotte County, according to the Florida Highway Patrol. Austin Cornelius Simmons, 53, was driving northbound on I-75 near Duncan Road when he

### POLICE BEAT

The information for Police Beat is gathered from police, sheriff's office, Florida Highway Patrol, jail and fire records. Not every arrest leads to a conviction and guilt or innocence is determined by the court system.

crossed over from the outside lane to the inside lane and hit the concrete barrier wall. Upon collision, the motorcycle overturned, throwing Simmons from the bike and into the inside lane.

No other vehicles were involved in the accident.

### The Charlotte County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrests:

- Resilus Johnson Jr., 32, 25400 block of Arequipa Drive, Punta Gorda. Charges: possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia and violation of probation. Bond: \$15,000.
- Jarrek Skyler Deephouse, 24, 3000 block of Amanda St., Punta Gorda. Charges: carrying a concealed weapon without a license, possession of marijuana and possession of drug

- paraphernalia. Bond: \$20,000.
- Willie Craig Turner, 45, 6400 block of Scott St., Punta Gorda. Charges: fugitive from justice, possession of cocaine and possession of drug paraphernalia. Bond: \$7,000.
- Wilfredo Maldonado, 24, 17800 block of Murdock Circle, Port Charlotte. Charges: possession of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia. Bond: \$5,000.
- Luis Alfredo Sarceno Jr., 27, 263300 block of Bridgewater St., Port Charlotte. Charges: manufacture or delivery of drug paraphernalia and possession of marijuana. Bond: \$7,500.
- Robert Houston Childress, 35, 22300 block of Hallstead Road, Port Charlotte. Charges: battery by intentional touch or strike and nonsupport of dependents. Bond: \$5,690.

- Abraham Ojeda Perez, 37, 3000 block of Pine Tree St., Port Charlotte. Charges: possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia and resisting an officer without violence. Bond: \$15,000.
- George Edward Bailey, Jr., 37, 120 block of Dow Road, Port Charlotte. Charges: possession of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia. Bond: \$1,000.
- Daniel Lee Underwood, 43, 1300 block of Annette St., Port Charlotte. Charges: DUI and DUI with damage to property or a person. Bond: \$7,000.
- Jeffery Elisha Hamm, 42, 1200 block of SW Hollingsworth, Arcadia. Charges: possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia and fail to register as convicted felon. Bond: \$1,000.

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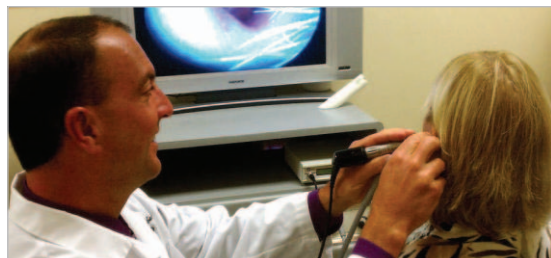
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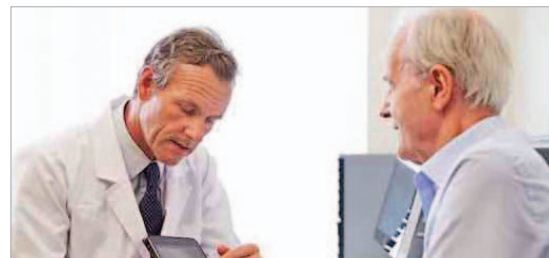
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# Airport Authority announces final Master Plan update

By JONATHAN SCHOLLES  
STAFF WRITER

PUNTA GORDA — After nearly two years of crunching numbers and ironing out details, Charlotte County Airport Authority is set to host its third and final Master Plan update. A presentation is slated for at 5 p.m. Monday at Myakka River Room at Charlotte Harbor Event and Conference Center. The event is open to

the public. The Master Plan update identifies proposed capital improvements, costs and potential funding for the Punta Gorda Airport (PGD) over the next 20 years. The update — last done in 2008 — is necessary to garner funding via the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and state Department of Transportation (DOT). "This is the culmination of 18 months of effort so the airport can plan for

the next 20 years," said James Parish, CEO at PGD. The plan — scheduled to be finalized late-2018 — is compartmentalized into achievable short, intermediate and long-term projects to accommodate future aviation growth. Short-term projects — a five-year span — are estimated to cost \$57.7 million and include several key infrastructure improvements, including the

extension, rehabilitation and reconstruction of two runways, as well as construction of a flight school building and parking lot for Western Michigan University's aviation program. Parish indicated an uptick in spending, though, noted 50 percent of the costs are associated with its runway projects. He said the current runways are running on a "20 year life." Parish said public

response to the airport's initiatives in the plan so far have been supportive. He added some are leery that PGD is growing too fast and said the airport seeks to find the "balance between growth and quality of life issues," pointing to perceived noise generated by planes. The purpose of the presentation is to brief the CCAA Board and the public on the plan findings and potential

upcoming projects. Additional public input will not be solicited at the meeting, but questions and comments can be submitted online at flypgd.com by clicking the "Master Plan" link. The draft Master Plan update and executive summary reports are also available online. For additional information, contact Project Manager Ron Ridenour at Ridenour@flypgd.com. Email: jscholles@sun-herald.com

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the long run, it will be good. But as businesses, this is our bread and butter and we can't afford to lose (a day). Even Fine Bait and Tackle owner Grace Newton's UPS delivery person asked if they could still deliver packages, assuming the business was closed for construction. "We want to let people know we're still here, it's still us and not just some white building," she said. "We are trying to keep up on Facebook (letting people know we're open), but then you get people who don't go on Facebook." Welker said the city is trying to alleviate the

confusion by also spreading the word on social media. "You can't afford to lose a day in retail so we really tried to make sure we got the word out," he said. "But I understand it was just bad timing. Any time you do something like this there will be a certain disruption." While four entities originally signed up for the program, Ashley Plaza and the North Port Plaza (which houses Abbe's Donuts) are the only two that stayed in the program. "There are steps you have to go through and have to understand how that system works, and that discourages people," Welker said. "When we started it wasn't as busy (in construction) so we saw more interest but some of the people couldn't find

contractors. It's not just the money — you need an architect, a contractor." While designs have been created for the North Port Plaza, the builders still have to go through the county to finalize all plans. Welker is unsure when construction may begin. But as the two plazas do eventually leave behind their old facades, all those involved said they are excited to see what comes next. "It's pretty cool, I love the front of my building," Newton said. "We are one of the oldest buildings in the city." But despite the history, they believe it is time for a change. "It's not that type of history, it's not architecturally pretty," Benes said. Email: kcoffey@sun-herald.com



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Riverwood residents Jack Kleven and Judy McCalla, at left, present a mock \$213,000 check to Charlotte Harbor Environmental Center CEO Doris Button and Board President Michael Haymans.

## DONATION

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was passionate about preservation. And it fit in well with their love of nature and all living things, having supported animal rescue for many years up North. "We're both pretty strong environmentalists," McCalla said, "and we're concerned about where things are going with the loss of protections." With the help of local attorney Michael Haymans, the condo was converted into a donation that was such a must-have, it has already been spent. "This was a godsend to this institution," said Haymans, president of the CHEC board of directors. "It came at a time when we were doing some reorganization and we had some real needs."

The funds went toward replacing equipment, including 15-year-old computers. Also purchased was a tractor to maintain and widen four miles of trails, along with a utility vehicle used by volunteers and for added safety when visitors may get lost or injured. "This has been very beneficial," CHEC CEO Doris Button said. "I wonder how we ever got along without it." She noted that the donation was a welcome gift on the organization's 30th anniversary and has proved essential for CHEC to continue to provide environmental, educational and recreational activities. "The sustainability of CHEC is so important for our children. We're all about environmental education," Button said. "Hopefully, we'll be around another 30 years." Email: groberts@sun-herald.com



SUN PHOTO BY LAUREN COFFEY

The Ashley Plaza in North Port is one of two buildings in the U.S. 41 Facade Improvement program. While business owners are looking forward to the completed project, they want to remind residents they are still open in the meantime.

## JOHN

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The 230,704-square-foot centerpiece of the mall — which was built in 1959 and in its early days had

the county's only movie theater — will be the epicenter of activity. The transformation of the retail destination is being funded by Jeff Morr, who owns a Miami Beach real estate company and bought the 26.4-acre

Promenades site in 2015 for \$21.5 million. It all sounds great. Will it make Ann happy? "My son lives in West Palm Beach and they have City Place," she said. "It is a wonderful place. They have bands on stage all the

time. It is what I envisioned Murdock Village to be someday." She dreams big — hoping for a real transformation in Charlotte County, not just for Parkside. Ann is 74, and she has struggled with cancer that

has gone into remission and returned. "I had a man ask me the other day why I live in Port Charlotte," she said, adding it hurt her feelings that someone spoke negatively about the place she lives. "If they could get

Promenades finished and do some things in Parkside before I die, I would love it." Pulitzer Prize winner John Hackworth is commentary editor of the Sun newspapers. You may contact him at jhackworth@sun-herald.com.

## CITATION

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arises, and Road Patrol will also be trained on when use of the citation is appropriate. Minors cited for sexting will be required to pay a \$60 fine or complete eight hours of community service. In the future, Eilerman also hopes to offer a cybersecurity class in lieu of the former options, which is another option, according to the statute, if a class is locally available. "We do something in schools like that but don't have something extra available at this time," he said. Eilerman hopes to eventually offer a four- to six-hour week-end class that would go deeper into how juveniles can safely manage their online profiles. Eilerman said he believes the new citation will be more effective in reducing the amount of sexting incidents, since students will be facing a real consequence. "It's not just, 'Hey, don't do it again,' and then nothing happens," he said. "This is,



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"Hey, don't do it again but you also have to pay a fine or do community service." When a citation is issued, school resource officers will also meet with the juvenile and his or her parents to discuss the incident. School Resource Officer Joella Moore, who has worked in Charlotte County schools for the past 15 years, said she's excited for the citation, which she compared to the civil citation program which officers can use to cite a youth for a crime without making a criminal charge. "There's consequences for their actions but no criminal charges hanging over them when they're older," she said. "I think when kids start understanding there's a consequence, it will decrease the activity. We don't want their pictures out there and these things coming back later in life." The Punta Gorda Police Department was also involved in putting the citation together and will also be using it in Punta Gorda schools. "The police department puts a good deal of focus on our schools and the youth in

the community," said Public Information Officer Dylan Renz. "While sexting is not something that we see on a daily basis in our schools, it is something that comes up a few times during the school year and is certainly becoming more prevalent as technology continues to progress. These new citations allow us to officially document these violations so that we are able to utilize the law as it was intended." Failure to comply with the citation may result in an order to the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to suspend a juvenile's driver's license or withhold the issuance of a license. Law enforcement in Sarasota County has been issuing sexting citations since October 2015 on the same form as their civil citations. Last year, the Sarasota County Sheriff's Office issued 13 sexting citations, while the North Port Police Department issued three. The State Attorney's Office refers the offenders to Sarasota Teen Court, which requires the offenders to take a class called Risky Behaviors. Participating juveniles may be there for sexting or for bullying, anger or other issues. Steve Rinder, who teaches the class, said this is the first session. Prior to January, sexting was dealt with more on a one-on-one basis, with an onsite counselor or referring youth to an outside counselor. The new, four-week class focuses on boundary education, peer relationships and resiliency, cyber safety, and anger and love. The new class is more of a family focus group than a lecture, similar to other classes Teen Court offers for drug offenses. Juveniles come



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Juveniles caught sending nude photos or videos electronically in Charlotte County will now face consequences, due to a new sexting citation put in place by the Charlotte County Sheriff's Office.

with their parents and sometimes siblings as well. Eight families are currently participating, three of which are there because of sexting. Rinder is excited to have families there and said it's often the parents who are more ignorant to the legal and emotional consequences of sexting. By getting everyone involved, he thinks there will be real change. "If you just deal with one segment, one component of a family, that component may see the light and want to step up and take dramatic changes, but if the rest of the environment doesn't change, then the potential for success is much more limited," he said. A 2012 survey by Cox Communications reported one in five teens have engaged in sexting. Rinder said it is a

growing issue as use of social media increases, and the kids involved are getting younger. The three currently participating in the class are 12-, 13- and 14-years-old. "The numbers I think are significant," Rinder said. "The emotional consequences, just even aside from the legal consequences, on self esteem and self awareness. Once you put something out on the internet, it's there forever. Relationships change, revenge happens. Teen logic says, 'Oh I've got a picture I want you to see of my friend.' All of those start really hurting and the relationship between teen suicide and cyberbullying and sexting seems to be something we need to become more aware of." Email: aeasker@sun-herald.com

# Englewood Sun named Business of the Year

By **ELAINE ALLEN-EMRICH**  
COMMUNITY NEWS EDITOR

ENGLEWOOD — A \$2,210 donation helping pair children in need with energetic and caring adults kicked off the Englewood Florida Chamber of Commerce banquet.

Because the Manasota Mystique was a success last year, proceeds were donated to Brian Faro, a board member of Big Brothers Big Sisters of Englewood. Manasota Mystique is the brain child of Scott Barber, a longtime chamber member. Barber wanted to pay off the mortgage for the chamber building on Indiana Avenue and give it to children. In 2017, he helped accomplish both — on July 28, the mortgage was burned.

Along with committee members, the speak-easy-themed event raised thousands. Barber bestowed the responsibility of this year's event to Faro. The committee is working on a theme which will be announced soon.

Outgoing president Carol Moore, publisher of the Englewood Sun, read a long list of accomplishments by the many chamber committees. Among them were Barber and Mark Knauf — who worked with Englewood Florida Chamber Executive Director Ed Hill on the new Englewood Beach 9 fundraiser — with some of the proceeds from the indoor golf tournament were donated to local charities.

“Brian Faro, Don Musilli and Frank Chappell supported us in many of the projects,” she said, adding Musilli, who heads the Englewood Innovation Center, has 3D printers in local schools. “The kids love it.”

Moore said she appreciated Keith Farlow as the president-elect of the chamber because he planned and participated in many of the events in preparation to lead the members in 2018.

“You rock,” Moore told Farlow during her speech at the Waverly Restaurant & Bar recently. “Ed and Wynelle Hill worked endless hours to make us successful in 2017 ... Our chamber functions on a daily basis thanks to Wynelle and all of her wonderful volunteers that serve and assist us in our many functions.”

Moore said Hill engaged in conversations with elected officials



SUN PHOTOS BY ELAINE ALLEN-EMRICH

**Englewood Sun Editor Chris Porter, left, is joined by incoming chamber president Keith Farlow, Englewood Sun Publisher Carol Moore and saleswoman Rebecca Cross after the Sun was named the 2017 Business of the Year by the chamber.**



**Elaine Miller was thanked by Ed Hill, executive director of the Englewood, Florida Chamber of Commerce for her dedication as a board member and help bringing a bus route to Englewood Beach and the ongoing beach renourishment program.**



**Ivy's on Dearborn, A Ladies Boutique owner Karen Tyree smiles as she receives the award for the New Business / New Owner award after she revamped her store on Dearborn Street. Also pictured in Carol Moore, past president of the chamber.**



**Joe Reichard, owner of The Lighthouse Grill at Stump Pass, was the first to be given a business award. His establishment won The Bon Appetit — Daytime Dining honor.**

including Congressman Tom Rooney and Sarasota and Charlotte county commissioners on the multi-million dollar River Road widening project.

She lauded outgoing board member Elaine Miller for her work in getting Sarasota County Area Transit to extend a bus route to Englewood Beach from several stops in Englewood. The route can be accessed by North Port and Venice riders too. Miller continues to work on beach renourishment issues that plagued local beaches after hurricane season.

Moore thanked another outgoing board member Bobbie Marquis for her work on tourism. She and



**Betty Swanson, left, is cheered on by fellow volunteers of the Englewood Florida Chamber after reading a poem she made up just for the special evening.**

Mary Smedley worked on the Ambassador Program. Marquis was also instrumental in the Let's Eat Englewood two-week event which helps boost business for restaurants during the traditionally slow off season. It also helps keep waitress and other staff employed.

“Bobbie Marquis and committee developed Eye on Nature and created the mascot Scout for children locally as well as visitors in our farmers market,” Moore said.

The chamber has become more involved with several nonprofits: Englewood Area Board of Realtors, Rotary clubs, the Community Redevelopment Agency, Suncoast Humane Society, Englewood Innovation Center in 2017, Moore said.

Moore said the chamber now has a Job Posting/Job Seeker page to the website EnglewoodJobSearch.com thanks to member Cory

Dean. Members can post for free.

Moore even thanked Jonathan Varner for taking the lead to meet with landscapers and getting quotes and ideas to improve and implement an irrigation system for the chamber building.

Members created a 501(c)(3) extension of the chamber Englewood Community Services, Inc.

“Thanks to Bryan Domian (of Howards Restaurant) for working on filing all the documents and executive board for their support and serving as officers for the nonprofit,” she said. “Not only were we able to start our foundation, but it was spearheaded by Elaine Miller when she perceived of the idea of forming Let's Help Englewood — a local outreach for Hurricane Irma relief. Bobbie Marquis and I worked diligently with Elaine to reach out to local restaurants during Let's



**Associates of Michael Saunders receive the award for The Excellence Award for 26-plus employees went to Michael Saunders & Company in Englewood.**



**Brian Faro, center, receives a large check for \$2,200 from the Manasota Mystique event headed by Scott Barber, second from the left. Also pictured in the Englewood Beach Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Ed Hill; past president Carol Moore and incoming president Keith Farlow.**



**Bobbie Marquis, receives an award by Ed Hill, executive director of the chamber. Marquis was instrumental in several committees including the Let's Eat Englewood restaurant program and the Eye on Nature initiative.**



**Keith and Laurie Farlow receive The Bon Appetit Evening Dining awarded for their restaurant Farlow's on the Water in Englewood.**

Eat to support Let's Help. Through the fundraising drive we were able to help 17 local individuals in our community in a difficult time when a little help went a long way.”

The winners of the 2017 business awards were announced.

The Bon Appetit — Daytime Dining award went to The Lighthouse Grill at Stump Pass. The Bon Appetit Evening Dining was awarded to Farlow's on the Water.

The Excellence in Business (for those with one to five employees) went to Hinck Private Wealth Management. The excellence award for six to 25 employees went to Emery Auto & Diesel Repair. The Excellence Award for 26-plus employees went to Michael Saunders & Company

The New Business / New Owner award went to Ivy's on Dearborn. The winner of the Non-Profit of the Year winner went to the Lemon Bay Historical Society.

The Business of the Year for 2017 was awarded to the Englewood Sun. Farlow recognized The Sun for supporting every sector of the Englewood community.

The final honor was the Spirit Award, which went to Scott Barber of the Sandbar Tiki and Grille.

Moore thanked Barber for his legacy of the Manasota Mystique, and his ongoing dedication and leadership to the chamber.

“Our 2017 membership was all about — we done that, we did that and we are Doing That,” Moore said.

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# Sarasota County district to discuss charter schools

By **ALEXANDRA HERRERA**  
STAFF WRITER

SARASOTA — The Sarasota County School Board will meet Tuesday for its monthly work session and meeting, reviewing policies, including Policy 3.90, which deals with charter schools.

At the start of this school year, the board received two applications for new charter schools, but also took a look at two charter schools that were underperforming.

The district has also been looking at other policies and approved a change to a construction policy in the fall.

The board will also

look at accelerated and rigorous coursework, the child care benefit, schools of excellence and purchasing approvals.

The discussion on purchasing approvals comes after the Jan. 9 meeting when Superintendent Todd Bowden had tried to change the language on the cover page for construction approvals.

Bowden had tried to change the original “not to exceed” to “estimated,” which caused distress among board members. The board made a motion to change the language back, before approving the consent agenda items.

During the discussion, the board decided it

would move the discussion about the language change to a workshop.

Following the workshop, the board will meet for its 3 p.m. board meeting. The meeting has three items of new business to discuss, including a memorandum of understanding between the SKY Academy Englewood and the board.

During the December meeting and workshop, board member Eric Robinson made it a priority for Bowden to start the work on beginning the negotiations to share referendum dollars with the school.

SKY Academy Englewood is a middle school on the Sarasota

County side, serving 227 students, with 169 from Sarasota County. Currently, the school does not share its referendum dollars with the Charlotte County students.

The board agreed the Charlotte students at SKY were Sarasota County students as they were enrolled in the school.

Another item under new business is the approval of the agreement between the Sarasota Education Foundation and the School Board, for the opening of a career center at North Port High School.

According to the attachments the agreement will be for the

opening of a career center at NPHS to help students in their post-secondary careers. The process for the opening of the center would begin on March 1.

The final item for approval Tuesday will be to advertise the revisions to School Board Policy 2.95. Policy 2.95 deals with wellness and a wellness program put in place by the district for its students.

Changes to the policy include language and additional forms of

communication for the nutrition information for parents.

The Sarasota County School Board will meet at 8:30 a.m. Tuesday in The Board Chambers, 1980 Landings Boulevard, Sarasota, and broadcast live on The Education Channel, Comcast channel 20 and Frontier channel 33.

Meetings are also streamed live on the district's website [www.sarasotacountyschools.net](http://www.sarasotacountyschools.net).

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## OBITUARIES

There were no deaths reported Sunday.



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 Tax ID: 412133152006  
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 Tax ID: 402101180009  
 Description of Property: PCH 022 1102 0018 PORT CHARLOTTE SEC 22 BLK 1102 LT 18  
 Name in which assessed: IRONS, THOMAS G.; IRONS, LINDA; IRONS, W. L.; IRONS, VELMA; BOE, PAUL  
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# Florida braces for long government shutdown

By **STEVE BOUSQUET  
 and DAVID SMILEY**  
 TIMES/HERALD BUREAU

As a dysfunctional Washington stumbled past the midnight deadline and into a shutdown of the federal government, state officials scrambled to prepare for its impacts across Florida.

Many aspects of life involve the federal government, from Everglades National Park in Homestead to MacDill Air Force Base in Tampa, and in a state full of retirees, a lifeline is a monthly Social Security check — which officials emphasize won't be disrupted by a shutdown.

The U.S. Central Command would be mostly unaffected because of its war-fighting mission, said CentCom spokesman Col. John Thomas.

"Those directly involved in certain aspects of national security are needed at work," Thomas said.

The National Parks Service said each park is developing its own shutdown plan. Services that require staff, such as campgrounds and full-service restrooms, won't be operating, spokesman Jeffrey Olson said.

Airports will remain open. TSA workers who screen passengers and the U.S. Customs and Border Protection are considered essential federal employees.

In the aftermath of Hurricane Irma, parts of Florida remain dependent on the Federal Emergency Management Agency, which continues to process reimbursement requests from cities, counties, police and hospitals. Some are from hurricanes Matthew and Hermine, 15 months ago.

Cities and counties across Florida are still awaiting payment for emergency road and bridge repair, police overtime and other costs, and the full financial impact of Hurricane Irma hasn't yet been fully calculated.

A FEMA spokesman said that all employees whose salaries are paid for from a federal disaster relief fund — not annual federal appropriations — can keep working.

Former FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate, a Florida native, said a shutdown would be "a huge deal," according to the Washington Post.

Any lapse in federal appropriations would result in temporary furloughs or unpaid leaves of absence for FEMA workers considered nonessential.

"Who do you think processes the payments?" Fugate asked, according to the Post. "Who do you think does all that back-end stuff?"

Then there are veterans. Florida is No. 3 in the number of veterans, behind California and Texas — and they are a highly influential voting bloc.

Even if the shutdown persists, veterans would still receive their health care benefits. Of nearly 340,000 workers at the Veterans Health Administration, only about 1,000 are subject to furlough.

Hospitals and crisis and mental health services would all remain open, the agency said.

The reason the VHA is so heavily shielded from a shutdown, according to Jason Dangel, a spokesman for the C.W. Bill Young VA Medical Center at the Bay Pines VA, is that the VHA received 2018 funding from the federal government's 2017 budget.

"For the hospitals

and clinics and health care operations, those operations would persist through a government shutdown due to advanced appropriations," Dangel said.

But other Department of Veterans Affairs functions would be impaired, such as non-medical benefits offered by the Veterans Benefits Administration and burial services through the National Cemetery Administration.

Roughly a third of the VBA's approximately 23,000 workers are subject to furlough, while one-fourth of the NCA's 2,000 workers would face furloughs.

In addition to the potential impact on everyday Floridians, a shutdown has perilous political implications.

Gov. Rick Scott is an ally of President Donald J. Trump, but the governor spared no one of responsibility Friday.

After a deployment ceremony of the 260th Military Intelligence Battalion in Miami's Allapattah community, Scott criticized everyone — from Trump on down.

"Do their job," Scott told reporters outside the Robert A. Ballard National Guard Armory. "We shouldn't be seeing government shutdowns. It's not fair to the citizens of our state. We all pay our taxes. We expect the individuals who go to D.C. to represent us to do their job."

"It just shows the incompetence of Washington," said Scott, who's widely considered to be plotting his own campaign for U.S. Senate.

Scott's office declined to say what kind of contingency plans it has ready to implement in a shutdown.

The last federal government shutdown, in early

October 2013, had serious effects on routine government services.

In Florida, Head Start programs were suspended, National Guard employees endured furloughs, disabled veterans had trouble filing claims and federal shipments to food banks to feed nearly a million residents in South Florida were suddenly interrupted.

As President Barack Obama and House Speaker John Boehner traded insults in Washington, charter guides were banned from taking clients fishing in Florida Bay, sealing off more than a thousand square miles of prime fishing between the southern tip of the mainland to the Keys.

One issue holding up a compromise on a short-term spending bill to keep the government going is the fate of the so-called DREAMers, an estimated 800,000 undocumented immigrants who came to the U.S. as children and face deportation if the program is not extended in March.

Scott this week wrote a column in USA Today in which he called for protections for them.

"We have to secure our borders," Scott said Friday in Miami, "and we have to take care of the individuals who came here as children through no fault of their own."

Democrats accused Scott of another flip-flop, noting that he once favored a hard-line immigration law, and that he agrees with Trump on tougher border protections.

"The governor cannot hide from his record. He can't pick and choose when to demonize immigrants and when to pretend to be their savior," said U.S. Rep. Ted Deutch, D-Boca Raton.

## STATE NEWS BRIEFS

### Sheriff: Florida man slain by deputies carried assault rifle

LAKE WALES, Fla. (AP) — A Florida man with an assault rifle was fatally shot by officers after he attacked his wife and daughter, authorizes said.

Shannon Jason Cables was killed by deputies responding to a domestic violence call at his Lake Wales home on Saturday, the Polk County Sheriff's Office said in a news release.

Sheriff Grady Judd told the Lakeland Ledger newspaper that Cables first attacked his wife with Mace and a pool cue.

Then, Cable's daughter came to her mother's defense.

"That's when the 19-year-old actually jumped on the suspect and wrestled and choked him," Judd said. He said the pair managed to get away, and Cables fled into some woods behind the house.

The women took refuge at a neighbor's home and called police.

Deputies searched the woods with police dogs and a helicopter for two hours while the women received medical care. When the women returned home with law enforcement, deputies spotted Cables carrying an assault rifle and a

shotgun coming up behind the house, Judd said.

The sheriff's office says they ordered Cables, a 46-year-old white man, to drop the weapon, but he pointed it at deputies instead, so they shot him. The deputies' races were not released.

Judd told the newspaper that investigators found shells from Cables' assault rifle outside, indicating he fired the weapon. No deputies were injured.

The Florida Department of Law Enforcement and the sheriff's office are investigating, and the four deputies have been placed on paid administrative leave.

### Great white shark 'Hilton' being tracked in Atlantic Ocean

SAVANNAH, Ga. (AP) — A shark named Mary Lee whose movements were followed by many Georgians has gone silent, but a male great white shark is now being tracked off the coast.

The Savannah Morning News reports that the male shark named Hilton is revealing its migrations and a steady stream of locations via satellite.

The newspaper reports that both sharks are among the 33 great white sharks tagged so far along the East Coast

by Ocearch, a nonprofit whose scientific expertise paired with social media have made the once-reviled great whites relatable.

Oearch catches the sharks, outfits them with satellite tags, names them and invites the public to track them in real time on its website.

### Man dies while diving in underwater Florida caves

WEEKI WACHEE, Fla. (AP) — Authorities say a man died while diving in a popular underwater network of caves in Florida.

The Hernando County Sheriff's Office says 53-year-old Davin Brannon was found dead Saturday at the Eagle's Nest cave-diving site in Weeki Wachee.

The sheriff's office says deputies and paramedics responded to reports of a diver in distress shortly after noon, and found Brannon dead when they arrived.

Sheriff's spokesman Michael Terry told WTSP-TV that Brannon, a certified diver, and a friend were barely inside the caves when he experienced a "medical episode."

An autopsy is being conducted to determine the cause of death.

According to the Tampa Bay Times,

11 people have died while diving in the caves at Eagle's Nest since 1981.

### Sea turtles get alternative procedure used to treat tumors

MARATHON, Fla. (AP) — An alternative procedure used to treat tumors on sea turtles has been performed at the Florida Keys-based Turtle Hospital in partnership with the University of Florida.

The electro-chemotherapy treatments were administered to two green sea turtles Saturday.

The remedies are part of a study being conducted on green sea turtles with fibropapilloma, cauliflower-like tumor growths that develop as a result of a herpes-like virus affecting many sea turtles around the world.

Traditionally, the tumors have been surgically removed, but the surgery is more complicated and stressful for infected turtles.

Dr. Anna Szivek, assistant professor of oncology at the veterinary college of the University of Florida, said the treatments involves short, low-level electric pulses that allow the cells to open and better absorb the chemo medication, commonly used in cancer treatment.

# VIEWPOINT

## OUR VIEW

### The fruits of cooperation in government

**OUR POSITION:** Getting things done by maximizing cooperation.

**E**lected officials from governments throughout Sarasota County held a get-together Friday morning called a Convocation of Governments, an annual affair that puts elected officials and high-ranking staff face to face in one large room for a couple of hours.

At the horseshoe of tables were officials from the Sarasota County School Board, the County Commission, the North Port and Sarasota City Commissions, the Venice City Council and the Longboat Key Town Commission. Roughly 30 in all.

Friday's affair was extremely cordial (they aren't always), without the hint of controversy. This, despite sniping in recent weeks coming from the city of Venice (notably Mayor John Holic) toward the Sarasota County Commission (and volleyed back earlier in the week by Venice-area County Commissioner Charles Hines).

But no sour notes. Which, while disappointing for headline writers, was fitting for the venue.

The setting was the large Conference Room of the newly opened Suncoast Technical College in North Port, situated off Toledo Blade Boulevard near Interstate 75.

It was four years ago that initial plans for a technical school were unveiled and discussed at another Convocation of Governments, that one held at the main (and then-only) STC campus in Sarasota.

The school district said it finally would be branching out to South County. In addition, county commissioners said they would join the project by funding and staffing a library which could be used for students and the public. Overall, students and adults in southern-most South County were to get more-convenient access to technical and adult-education classes; no more long drives to Sarasota. Plus, the growing city of North Port would get a badly needed second library.

What also emerged from that first convocation was a plea from North Port city commissioners for design changes that would include a conference room — another something needed in the city. Thus, plans were changed and the conference space included: the very room used for Friday's convocation. An added bonus was that the conference center could be served by students from the school's culinary arts program.

The school opened for last fall's semester. The Shannon Staub Public Library opened two months ago.

As STC Assistant Director Mike Endee told the group Friday, nearly 100 students were now enrolled in eight programs at the school: including carpentry, culinary arts, accounting, office administration, industrial technology, emergency medical technician training (which begins this week), and practical nursing (which begins at the end of the month.) In the next three to five years will be programs in cosmetology, automotive mechanics and commercial drivers licenses.

The school also offers English as a second language to adult learners, GED courses and citizenship prep courses.

As Hines pointed out, the school-library-conference facility could serve as an example of local governments working together for a common public good.

"When we first conceived of this there were issues, but we worked together," he said.

And the result is impressive. Also on Friday's agenda was the question of cooperation — which usually means help with funding — for the city of North Port's aquatic center near the high school, a project we support. Since it will be used by the high school swim team, funding help would be appropriate. Since it may attract visitors to swim meets, county tourist development funding also would be appropriate.

It's possible for governments representing various factions — city, county, schools — to work in unison for the common good. We saw an excellent example Friday. And a guide for the future.



## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Constitution defines us as a nation

Editor:

As we pledge allegiance to our national flag and sing our national anthem let us also pay due respect to our Constitution. Strong emotions are bound to each. While each represents our country, they are not the same.

The flag and the anthem are symbols. They could be modified without diminishing their symbolic value. Their power could remain as strong as ever. But however much they symbolize us, they do not define us.

The Constitution is different. It is the foundational document upon which we govern ourselves. It is a practical document with the power and authority of law. It can be, and has been, amended many times but remains strong not due to its symbolic value but because it is a real working law that defines and regulates how we conduct ourselves as a nation. It is the safeguard of our freedoms.

We pledge allegiance not just to the flag but to the republic for which it stands. The Constitution defines that republic and its purpose. Without our Constitution, we would be a different nation.

The Bill of Rights defines us not as a family or clan but as free individual persons who can stand together or, if need be, alone. Majority rules, but each citizen's lawful rights also prevail. Securing the just balance between these two principles is found by observing our laws and exercising our rights.

If we wish our symbols to remain meaningful, we must honor the reality they represent.

**Theodore L. Zawistowski**  
Port Charlotte

### Editorial cartoon was right on target

Editor:

Kudos to the *Sun* newspapers for publishing the cartoon by Gary McCoy on Jan. 18. Those four panels speak volumes about how President Trump is playing the Left like a Stradivarius.

Trump's policies, including the tax plan that just passed, are accelerating our economy and increasing the money flowing into the IRS. Lower tax rates generate an increase in total taxes collected. It works

every time it's tried. A dollar that stays in circulation gets taxed numerous times.

Democrats, at one time, understood that simple concept. That understanding died along with JFK.

Just look at what is happening: Wall Street is setting records every week, all without quantitative easing. The profits are being taxed.

Over 200 companies are offering substantial raises and bonuses to their employees, all that money will be taxed. Black unemployment is at the lowest since records began in 1972. Employed people pay taxes. Jobless people do not.

Apple announced it is gladly bringing home \$250 billion of their cash assets because of the reduction in corporate taxes. That repatriation of money will result in a \$38 billion tax payment to our government, the largest one-time tax payment ever paid.

And it's only been one year. Meanwhile, Democrat lawmakers are more concerned about turning illegal aliens into voters than they care about the well-being of America and her citizens.

Thanks again to the *Sun* employee who chose the Gary McCoy cartoon. You deserve a raise. Gary McCoy and Mallard Fillmore make the subscription worth its cost.

**Steve Buye**  
North Port

### Republican appeal is really deplorable

Editor:

If, over three decades you became one of the angry, ignored, financially challenged, resentful white populist Republicans (aka, a deplorable), this would be why.

The rich got tax cuts and are scheduled for more. You got squat. Corporations are getting tax cuts of 40 percent. You're getting peanuts. LGBT folks got attention. You got ridicule. You got health care, but from a Democrat, embarrassing.

Your Twin Towers revenge consists of two never-ending, expensive wars. Bush's deregulation got you nothing. Obama's regulations got you nothing. The tea party's smaller government promises got you bigger government. An illegal, non-educated, non-English-speaking immigrant took your job and you can't get it back. The deficit hawks out to protect you from government debt let the debt explode. Your

standard of living is either flat or less than it was, and you are too afraid to ask your Republican Party, what happened?

The short of it is you have been lied to for decades. The truth is the Republican Party always needed your vote, they just never needed you. They told you what you wanted to hear to get your vote. They played you like a violin on a forbidden gay wedding cake.

You know you are desperate when you take pride and refuge in being labeled a "deplorable." It is like proudly declaring you're a white supremacist or a neo-Nazi. Loud and proud to mock blacks and Jews.

Yeah, ain't hate great, even if it does cloud the mind. Deplorable.

**Mike Deignan**  
Punta Gorda

### Big thank you to Legion honor guard

Editor:

My brother-in-law died this last December and he was a 21-year Navy veteran.

The family had the Rotonda American Legion honor guard there to perform the graveside military veteran's ceremony. There must have been about 20 men there to do the ceremony, including three men to do the rifle salute. This included a friend of mine, who gave the veterans eulogy in my brother-in-law's honor.

As a veteran myself, I was very impressed by their veteran's ceremony. These gentlemen sometimes do as many three in one day in various locations.

We feel they deserve a big thank you.

**Mal Greer**  
Englewood

### White House waves a matter of physics

Editor:

For those who saw the article in the *Sun* about waves over the White House on Jan. 16, perhaps you wondered what caused such waves. In the weather situation around Washington at the time, the most likely source of the waves involves the jet stream carrying the cold outbreak air.

Above the interface between the troposphere and stratosphere, the temperature warms significantly. Mechanical forces generated by storms interacting on the interface near a jet stream are capable of spawning vertical oscillations, much like

dropping a stone into a pond.

As these gravity waves propagate along the interface, the downward moving half is entering a colder, water-vapor rich environment, which leads to sublimation and formation of an ice cloud. On the other hand, upward moving waves are moving into warmer, drier stratosphere air, which leads to evaporation of the cloud ice particles and disappearance of any visible evidence of a cloud.

The resulting visible evidence of a wave is the alternating lines of cloud formation and destruction seen in the photograph.

**Bryan Kerman**  
North Port

### I accept Trump, but he's trouble

Editor:

I did not vote for Trump yet I accept that he is the legitimately elected president. I've tried to accept how he has executed the office but have found that his style of leadership, choice of Cabinet and White House office advisors is problematic to say the least. The "new norm" is fine with his unwavering base but not so much with the rest of us.

Thomas Payne published his landmark pamphlet *Common Sense* Feb. 14, 1776. His opening statement included: "a long habit of not thinking a thing wrong, given it a superficial appearance of being right and raises at first a formidable outcry in defense of custom. Time makes more converts than reason."

Putting it another way, as long as his supporters continue to accept his destructive style of leadership we are in serious trouble as a nation. Consider how many presidents, prime ministers and chancellors of our allies have turned against us.

Then there is the continuous string of tweets, often not based in reality but rather whatever comes into Trump's head in the early hours of the morning. Helpful? Ask our allies and other world leaders, Putin must be laughing.

*Common Sense* tells us that presidential leadership needs to be consistent, logical, well-informed, and always in the best interests of the nation. Sadly, we don't have that now. This makes it extremely difficult to support what Trump represents now and, factually, is why his approval rating remains around 38 percent except.

**Tom Kneebis**  
Port Charlotte

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# One year past, and three more to go

And here we are, one year later. If you are groping for markers by which to measure how profoundly we have been changed since Inauguration Day, here's one you might want to consider:



Leonard Pitts

In January of 1998, reports surfaced of a sexual affair between President Bill Clinton and a 24-year-old White House intern. It would mushroom into the biggest story of the year.

In January of 2018, reports surfaced of an alleged payoff by lawyers for the present president to silence a porn star from talking about their alleged sexual affair. It wasn't even the biggest story of the day.

You'd be hard-pressed to find a more visceral illustration of how our

sensibilities have been bludgeoned into submission in the last year. Surprises no longer surprise. Shocks no longer shock. We have bumped up against the limits of human bandwidth, and find ourselves unable to take it all in.

One simply cannot keep up with, much less respond with proper outrage to, all of this guy's scandals, bumbles, blame-shifting, name-calling and missteps, his sundry acts of mendacity, misanthropy,

perversity and idiocy. It's like trying to fill a teacup from Niagara Falls. It's like trying to read the internet.

One year later, we've seen a procession of feuds that would impress a Hatfield, a McCoy or a '90s rapper, running beefs with Mitch Connell, Elizabeth Warren, Bob Corker, Jeff Flake, Jeff Sessions, Dick Durbin, Colin Kaepernick, James Comey, Joe Scarborough, Mika Brzezinski, CNN, The New York Times and reality, to name just a few.

One year later, the man who promised to "work so hard" for the American people is setting new standards for presidential laziness, a short workday, hours of television and endless golf.

One year later, the

man who vowed to bring in "the best people" has hired and fired the sorry likes of Michael Flynn, Sean Spicer, Steve Bannon, Omarosa Manigault Newman, Reince Priebus and Anthony "The Mooch" Scaramucci.

One year later, the man who bragged of having "the best words" has pundits parsing the difference between "s-house" and "s-hole" as descriptors of Africa, El Salvador and Haiti, home, collectively, to about 17 percent of humanity.

One year later, the man who asked African Americans "what the hell" they had to lose by voting for him, is praised by tiki-torch-wielding white supremacists — "very fine people," he says — and his name is

chanted as a racist taunt by white mobs.

One year later, we live in a state of perpetual nuclear standoff, a Cuban Missile Crisis that never ends.

But hey, at least the stock market is doing well. Of course, it did well under President Obama, too, but nobody seems to remember that.

Not that a bull market mitigates — or even addresses — the sense of ongoing upheaval, of constant chaos, that have become our new American norm. This guy is flat-out exhausting.

Give him this much, though. He has banished apathy, made fools of those people who once declared with pontifical certitude that we should "blow up" the system and said voting didn't matter because there was

no difference between the parties. More, he's galvanized a powerful resistance that has claimed upset victories from Alabama to Wisconsin and left Gumby-spined Republicans looking over their shoulders. That resistance might even save this country, assuming the guy leaves us anything to save.

If that sounds bleak, well, that's where we stand. Indeed, one year later, both our despair and our hope are encompassed in the same five syllables.

One down. Three to go.

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## Really, is the next Stalin in the White House?

Republican Sen. Jeff Flake of Arizona gave a speech last week about how important truth is to our democracy and how President Donald Trump lies a lot. He especially took aim at Trump talking about "fake news" all the time and even referring to the press as the "enemy of the people."

Flake then went crazy. Viciously, mindlessly and inexcusably, he compared Trump to Joseph Stalin, the Soviet Union dictator who killed millions of people and also used the phrase "enemy of the people." Flake summed up Trump's media anger as despotic, shameful and repulsive, telling us in so many words that he is more suspect as a public enemy than the press is or ever has been.

Long live a democratically crucial free press, but please get it, ladies and gentlemen, that the not-really-Stalinesque Trump has resorted only to anti-press words, not action, and that one of his chief threats — to change libel laws — is nonsense. There is no federal libel law, but lots of state laws that Washington is not about to touch, and there is a Supreme Court ruling making it especially hard for public officials to sue for libel.

For hands-on presidential press abuse, look at President Woodrow Wilson, as one example. He took egregious steps during and after World War I to regulate newspapers saying things he did not like.

We learn from Reason magazine how Franklin Delano Roosevelt said the press spewed out "poisonous propaganda" and that "freedom of the press" was an

Jay Ambrose  
Tribune News Service

"overworked phrase" leading to dastardly consequences. His administration helped create the Federal Communications Commission that reviewed radio licenses every six months and soon had networks vowing they would never criticize him.

When President Barack Obama wasn't slapping Fox News around, his administration was spying on reporters or, as one official admitted, misleading them on the Iran deal. New York Times reporter James Risen called the administration "the greatest enemy of press freedom in a generation" because of threatening a record number of reporters with jail if they did not reveal sources in classified information leaks. The Obama team also set a record one year in denying or censoring materials requested by citizens under the Freedom of Information Act. Less than a fourth received what they asked for, while 596,095 did not.

Trump handed out his fake news awards last week with critics responding that media inaccuracies have always been with us and that he was taking on an opinion column and tweets, too. Keep in mind, however, that there have been studies by researchers at Harvard, the Pew Research Center and the Media Research Center showing that at the beginning of the administration, in the middle of the first year and at the end of the first year, media were far more negative about him than

about any president in recent history.

Well, it has been said, there was much more to be negative about. But the extent and intensity of the negativity coming from some news outlets has been more like a virulent crusade than straight news coverage. No one with open eyes and unplugged ears can have missed the overreaching and an eschewing of norms right up there with Trump himself. While news outlets as a whole still exhibit manifest virtues, some may well have done more to damage trust in the press than Trump.

Flake and Trump have been feuding, and Flake is not running for re-election this year. His speech had some good points, but the Stalin comparison was atrocious. It is true that the Soviets did use the phrase "enemy of the people" frequently, but it had its origins in ancient Rome, was used repeatedly during the French Revolution and became more common after a drama by the great 19th century Norwegian playwright Henrik Ibsen.

Its title was "An Enemy of the People" and it was about a physician combatting fake news.

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## Don't crow too loudly about tax cuts yet

The almost daily announcements sound impressive and generous.

American Airlines, AT&T, Bank of America and Comcast are giving their workers \$1,000 bonuses. Since President Donald Trump signed the sweeping tax cuts that slashed what corporations pay, dozens of companies have announced payments to employees. Last week, Fiat Chrysler said it will hand out \$2,000 bonuses and add 2,500 jobs in Michigan.

And Wednesday, Apple said that it would hire 20,000 more workers, build another campus and spend \$350 billion in the next five years, including \$75 million in profits it has been stashing offshore.

Trump and Republican leaders in Congress are boasting that their tax bill is already paying off big time for American workers.

"I promised that my policies would allow companies like Apple to bring massive amounts of money back to the United States," Trump tweeted Wednesday. "Great to see Apple follow through as a result of TAX CUTS. Huge win for American workers and the USA!"

The tax reform permanently reduces the corporate tax rate from 35 percent to 21 percent. Also, money that companies bring back from overseas this year will be taxed at 15.5 percent.

I have criticized the tax cuts as mostly a giveaway to the rich and to corporations. I'm more than willing to admit if I'm wrong. But here's the thing: All of these bonuses could be fool's gold.

Foon Rhee  
The Sacramento Bee

They will certainly help workers in the short term. For many families, they are more than "crumbs," as top House Democrat Nancy Pelosi of San Francisco described them.

But what about the long haul? Will employees get another round of bonuses next year, or is this a one-time thing?

Analysts point out that it would be much better for workers if they received permanent raises. They also note that what companies are handing out in bonuses is small potatoes compared to the windfall for corporations — about \$1 trillion of the \$1.5 trillion in tax savings

over 10 years. Some say the bonuses are more a public relations ploy — and even a way to get on Trump's good side.

I'll be far more impressed if lots of companies hire many more workers and pay them more and all of this progress lasts.

But I fear the bottom line could be more like Walmart. It announced last week it is giving bonuses of as much as \$1,000 and raising its starting pay to \$11 an hour. But the very same day, the retail giant also said it is closing 63 Sam's Club stores.

Funny, Trump didn't take to Twitter to brag about that.

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# LOCAL SPORTS

■ **BOYS BASKETBALL: Lemon Bay 63, Riverdale 56**

## Lemon Bay notches fourth straight win

By **VINNIE PORTELL**  
SPORTS WRITER

**PUNTA GORDA —** Starting with a 75-62 district win over Cape Coral on Friday night, Lemon Bay boys basketball coach Sean Huber began tracking what he calls “hustle points.”

Based on a 1-3 point scoring system, players earn points for doing the little things like deflections, winning loose balls, getting rebounds and blocks, and various other stats that can add up to change the course of a game.

The Manta Rays have fully embraced the concept, diving, scrapping and swatting their way to a 63-56 win over Riverdale (11-5) at the Wally Keller Classic on Saturday.

“We’re playing our best basketball against the best competition at the best time,” Huber said. “It’s always been a signature for our school to be that kind of team who hustles like that. It’s one thing to say it, but it’s another to say it and do it and I think we like it.”

As they did hardly 24 hours before, Tyler Caron and Hayden Wolff powered the Lemon Bay attack once again Saturday night. Both players posted double-doubles, with Caron winning Game MVP with a team-high 16 points and 12 rebounds.



SUN PHOTO BY JENNIFER BRUNO

**Lemon Bay's Tyler Caron scores against SW Florida Christian during the Wally Keller Tournament held on Saturday in Punta Gorda.**

Though the Manta Rays (11-6) didn't need any extra motivation playing the third-ranked team in southwest Florida, Huber said his two forwards came out with something to prove.

“They're tough, I think they felt a little disrespected,” he said. “I think there was some chatter in the hallway before we came out. ‘There’s no way we should lose to these dudes,’ or something along those lines. Look, don’t judge a book by its cover because we can play some basketball and right now we’re playing as good as we’ve played.”

Wolff, who had 13 points, 10 rebounds and two blocks, played

nearly the entire game alongside Caron as the two helped the Manta Rays have a 41-32 advantage on the boards.

Jadrian Tracey presented a problem for Manta Rays defenders all night long as he scored 24 points and grabbed seven rebounds. Tracey and Nelson Smith combined for four 3-pointers to help the Raiders make a late run in the fourth quarter after trailing all game.

Tracey’s final shot of the night was a 3-pointer to pull Riverdale within four points with 18.6 seconds to go, but Wolff and Caron sealed the game with 3-for-4 shooting on free throws to end the game. For Huber and the

Manta Rays, the fourth consecutive win couldn't have come at a better time with rival Port Charlotte coming to play at Lemon Bay on Wednesday.

“We’re at our best right now when everyone’s contributing and we haven’t been better,” Huber said. “Now, we get ready for Port Charlotte.”

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### LEMON BAY 63, RIVERDALE 56

Lemon Bay	13	19	12	20	—	63
Riverdale	9	13	14	20	—	56

Lemon Bay (63): Tyler Caron 16, Hayden Wolff 13, Keegan Wyman 10, Cade Huber 10, Reid 6, Morrill 6, Brady 2. Totals: 21(6) 13-21-63.  
Riverdale (56): Jadrian Tracey 24, Nelson Smith 10, Tracey 7, Paimquist 6, Rowe 6, Alexander 3. Totals: 20(5) 10-10-56.

■ **BOYS BASKETBALL: Bradenton Christian 77, Imagine 28**

## Imagine Sharks can't hang with BCS

By **JOHN VITTAS**  
SUN CORRESPONDENT

**NORTH PORT —** The length and pressure of Bradenton Christian bothered Imagine from the get-go Saturday, as the Panthers forced 28 Sharks turnovers in a 77-28 win.

17 of those 28 turnovers came in the first half, as a tall and experienced front line disrupted Imagine passing lanes throughout.

“The problem is we did the same thing we’ve been doing all year. We just had too many turnovers,” Imagine head coach Clark Davis said. “You can’t have 20 or 30 turnovers a game and

beat anybody. You’re out of the game before it even starts.”

All ten Bradenton Christian players to see the court scored Saturday, with eight of them tallying at least five points. Nick Swaagman led the way with 16 points and six rebounds while A.J. Schewe added 12 points and five boards.

“We’ve been working on beating the press,” Davis said. “We still make a lot of mistakes but it is better. But we’re playing Bradenton Christian.”

Imagine was led by forward Alex Scotland, who scored seven points in the first half while grabbing three rebounds.

“He’s coming along,” Davis said of Scotland. “The biggest thing with him is his confidence. He worries too much if he misses a shot. In basketball, that happens. He just needs to understand that.”

The entire fourth quarter was played with a running clock after the Panthers eclipsed the 35-point threshold late in the third. Despite the wide margin of defeat, Davis was still pleased with the effort of his younger, smaller group.

“The kids play hard,” he said. “They’re out there giving one hundred and ten percent whether we win or not. That’s the

good thing. We’ve got a good group of kids. We have some young kids. There’s some eighth graders on the team.”

The large margin also allowed Davis to get some of his younger players in the game. Cameron Muncy made a late basket while Jaylin Bender and Michael Lambert each grabbed rebounds down the stretch.

### BRADENTON CHRISTIAN 77, IMAGINE 28

Bradenton Ch. 29 17 15 16 — 77  
Imagine 13 7 4 4 — 28  
Bradenton Christian (77): Nick Swaagman 16, A.J. Schewe 12, Dayton Modderman 11, J.J. Benedict 8, Cam Rosler 7, Elliot Labissere 7, Nate Schewe 6, Colton Popp 5, Dylan Catrone 3, Eli Johnson 2. Totals: 33 (1) 10-19-77.  
Imagine (28): Scotland 7, Patrick Gryzwana 5, Dylan Brown 4, Paul Cooke 4, Aaron Harris 3, Donavan Mansfield 3, Cameron Muncy 2. Totals: 11 (3) 3-9-28.

■ **GIRLS BASKETBALL: Bradenton Christian 46, Imagine 31**

## Sharks fall short of Panthers

By **JOHN VITTAS**  
SUN CORRESPONDENT

**NORTH PORT —** Imagine’s (14-4) third quarter run pulled them to within one point of rival Bradenton Christian (15-5), but in the end, the size and experience of the Panthers proved to be too much, as the Sharks fell 46-31.

Katie Klein hit a three with 4:20 left in the quarter before Kaylee Christie’s free throws pulled the Sharks to within 22-21 of always-powerful Bradenton Christian. That would be the closest they would get.

“Even as good as we were defensively, we got good looks at the basket and we just didn’t put them in,” Imagine coach Robert Toth said. “We really should’ve had a lead at halftime. Good

looks in other games that go down, today didn’t go down.”

Emma Swaagman and Bailey Sikkema then took control down low for the Panthers, scoring layups on three straight possessions. Amy Van Ryn followed by converting two free throws, capping an 8-0 Bradenton Christian run that stretched their lead to 33-22.

“That’s one solid team,” Toth said of the Panthers. “That’s why they haven’t lost a district game in years. Defense and rebounding was the focus. But they’re way too good offensively and they’re bigger than us.”

With Klein, Imagine’s leading scorer forced to start the fourth on the bench with four fouls, Bradenton Christian smothered the Sharks, limiting them to just two

points over the first six minutes of the quarter.

“They’re so well-schooled,” Toth said. “They do things right. They’re not super quick, but they play smart basketball. Their pressure hurt us some. They’re big athletes and they know what they’re doing.”

Bradenton Christian’s size proved to be the difference, out-rebounding the Sharks 30-15. Swaagman, a six-foot-one freshman center, came off the bench to rack up 13 points and 11 rebounds.

“She hurts us every time we say herm” said Toth. “She’s a big body and we don’t have anybody to muscle with her. She’s trained to go to the low block, get those rebounds and she’s excellent at putting the ball in the basket.”

Saturday’s loss

snapped a ten-game winning streak for the Sharks and dropped them into a tie for second place in the district with one district game remaining. Imagine will visit Sarasota Military on Monday, but Toth believes that Saturday’s loss will make his team better.

“We’ve never been in the game with them in the fourth quarter, and we were today,” he said. “The fact that we were means we’re doing something right. It starts at the defensive end. Our defense kept us in the game today.”

### BRADENTON CHRISTIAN 46, IMAGINE 31

Bradenton Ch. 12 6 15 13 — 46  
Imagine 6 8 10 7 — 31  
Bradenton Christian (46): Sikkema 15, Swaagman 13, Amy Van Ryn 10, Jessica Jackson 5, Faith Jackson 3. Totals: 19 (2) 6-12-46.  
Imagine (31): Klein 11, Skylar Woods 7, Arianna Andrade 6, Kaylee Christie 5, Izzy Faulkner 2. Totals: (3) 10-16-31.

■ **BOYS BASKETBALL: Port Charlotte 63, Fort Myers 58**



SUN PHOTO BY JENNIFER BRUNO

**Port Charlotte's Alex Romero leaps to score a basket against Fort Myers during the Wally Keller basketball tournament held on Saturday.**

## Pirates thwart last-minute comeback from Green Wave

By **VINNIE PORTELL**  
SPORTS WRITER

**PUNTA GORDA —** Despite leading Fort Myers by 14 points midway through the third quarter, Port Charlotte boys basketball found itself leading by three points with 15 seconds to go.

The finish was a bit anti-climatic, but fitting for the game as an illegal screen was called on the Green Wave and the Pirates held onto the ball as they watched the clock tick down to zero to escape with a 63-58 win Saturday at the Wally Keller Classic.

“A little lethargic at times, I thought we were a little dead-legged,” said Port Charlotte coach Kip Rhoten, whose Pirates vaulted to first in the district with a win over Charlotte on Friday night. “It could’ve been from playing last night, but that’s no excuse. But for the most part, I give them credit. They found a way when it wasn’t a pretty effort.”

Both teams started slow on offense, with Port Charlotte (11-3) taking a 26-20 lead into halftime after Fort Myers was held to seven points in the second quarter.

The Green Wave fought back in the game in the second half off a 27-point performance from Javian McCollum. The freshman guard nailed five 3-pointers while shooting a perfect 8-for-8 from the free-throw line, single-handedly keeping his team within reach.

McCollum scored nine points in the fourth quarter including a 3-pointer in the final minute to put the Green Wave down by three and give them one last chance before the illegal screen.

“That little freshman, holy mackerel did he even miss?” Rhoten said. “Sometimes you’ve just got to tip your hat and

say, ‘Hey, that boy played really well.’” The last few minutes of the game we put Shemar (Fleurissant) on him. And for the most part Shemar did good, he did hit one, but you gotta give that boy credit.”

Aside from McCollum, no Green Wave player scored over nine points.

Brandon Gainey led Port Charlotte on offense, opening the game with two 3-pointers and finishing with 17 points and five rebounds, including 5-for-6 shooting from the free-throw line.

Despite running into some foul trouble, as many did in a game that saw both teams reach the double bonus at the beginning of the fourth quarter, Alex Romero won Player of the Game honors for his 12 point 5 rebound performance that included two 3-pointers.

Though Port Charlotte committed 12 fouls in the third quarter and nearly blew a late double-digit lead, Rhoten said his team showed him a lot Saturday evening.

“I wasn’t really pleased with the way they played, but if you look at the big picture OK, that shows me something,” he said. “You found a way to pull it out when the other team, really they outplayed you, but they found a way and that was pretty good to see.”

In other games at the Wally Keller Classic, Charlotte defeated Winter Haven 86-83, North Port topped Bishop Verot 64-43; Lakewood Ranch defeated Mt. Bethel Christian 61-43; Canterbury beat Riverview 55-53; and Cape Coral defeated Venice 82-75.

### PORT CHARLOTTE 63, FORT MYERS 58

Fort Myers 13 7 25 13 — 58  
Port Charlotte 12 14 23 14 — 63  
Fort Myers (58): Javian McCollum 27, Cox 9, Gabriel 8, Luttrell 5, Outten 5, Greigley 3, Merilus 1. Totals: 16(7) 19-25-58.  
Port Charlotte (63): Brandon Gainey 17, Alex Romero 12, Addlerly 9, Perry 8, Fleurissant 7, Ulmanic 3, Rodgers 3, Johnson 2, Cleveland 2. Totals: 16(7) 24-35-63.

## Lemon Bay falls in state semifinal

STAFF REPORT

A day after taking the Class 1A-Region 3 title, the Lemon Bay High School wrestling team fell 45-27 in the Class 1A state wrestling team dual tournament at Osceola High School in Kissimmee.

Bryce Taranto (106-pound class), Jacob Labell (113), Michael Morales (heavyweight) each had pins and Tripp Lytle (138) won

by decision. Cardinal Gibbons ultimately won nine matches to eliminate the Mantas.

Charlotte also took part in the Class 2A portion of the tournament. The Tarpons were eliminated after losing to Riverdale 44-19 on Friday in the regional final.

Lemon Bay and Charlotte will face off in a regular season dual on Wednesday.



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# Rifleman fought across Europe

By DON MOORE

SUN CORRESPONDENT

John Coine of Burnt Store Isles was a former private first class and a rifleman in the 78th Infantry Division that arrived in Europe just in time for the Battle of the Bulge in December 1944.

It was the biggest battle on the Western Front that Americans took part in.

His division — The 78th — was the first American unit to cross the Rhine River on the Ludendorff Railroad Bridge into the heart of Germany at Remagen.

The 18-year-old private arrived in England aboard a liberty ship on Oct. 26, 1944, more than four months after the Allies' "D-Day" landing on the beaches at Normandy, France on June 6, 1944.

"I arrived in La Havre, France on a liberty ship. I was transferred to a cattle car and shipped north to Belgium. I took part in the Battle of the Hurtgen Forest. It preceded the Battle of the Bulge, the largest engagement American forces participated in on the Western Front."

That engagement involved a half-million Germans and 600,000 Americans.

The four-months long Hurtgen Forest Battle, that began on Sept. 19, 1944 along the Belgium-German border, killed or wounded 33,000 American soldiers and 28,000 Germans. The Germans were trying to stop Allied forces marching into Germany at Aachen, along the Siegfried Line.

It was a waste of military manpower on both sides, because the Germans were not successful in blocking American forces from capturing Aachen. Coine was there with the rest of his 78th Division.

"We dug in and fought The Battle of the Hurtgen Forest," the 91-year-old former rifleman recalled more than 70 years later. "They were firing their 88s at us. When the German projectiles hit the tree tops they burst and threw shrapnel all over. We learned to cover our foxholes with logs we cut to protect ourselves from the enemy guns."

"The weather was cold and wet in those foxholes. We were wet all the time and up to our butts in snow. Our leather combat boots were no help. They froze in the snow. To protect our feet from freezing we carried a couple of extra pairs of socks in our field jackets. We'd change our socks every day if we had time. We'd build a little fire and dry our wet socks on a stick over the fire."

"After four or five days in the forest we moved out, but I forget what happened to us. I guess we went through the Siegfried Line along the Western Front into Germany and starting taking Aachen," he said. "I know we fought a lot of snipers in every German town we captured. They'd get up in a church tower and fire down at us."

"Their job was to go house to house in Aachen and capture or kill any German soldier hiding in them. They were few and far between."

"One house we went into had an elderly German lady and her family sitting around their dining-room table saying the Rosary," Coine said. "We kinda thought that was strange because we didn't think Germans were religious."

Most of the time he and a couple of his



SUN PHOTO BY DON MOORE

John Coine at his Burnt Store Isles home. He is 91.



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Pfc. John Coine, 18, graduated from boot camp at Fort McClellan, Alabama in 1944. He would spend the rest of World War II fighting with the 78th Infantry Division across Europe.

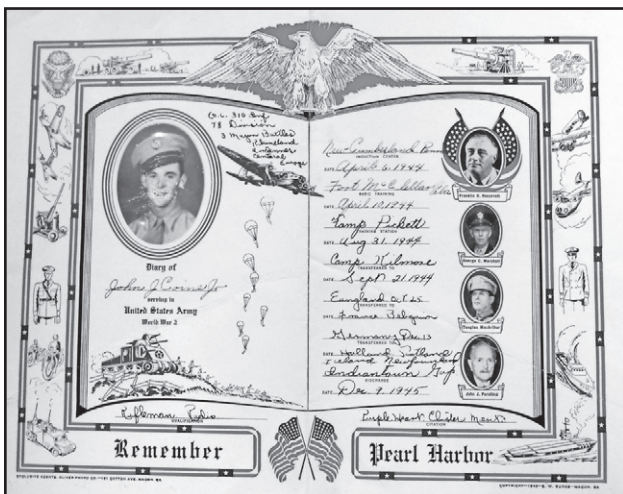


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A certificate given to Pfc. John Coine when he got out of the Army at the end of World War II. It has his oval picture in the upper left. On the right hand side is a picture of President Roosevelt bordered by American flags. Below the president is a picture of Supreme Commander George Marshall, under him Gen. Douglas Mac Arthur, Gen. Dwight Eisenhower, and Gen. 'Black Jack' Pershing, the Supreme Commander in World War I.

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buddies would force open the front door of a German home and toss a hand-grenade in before searching the inside. Occasionally, their sergeant would lead them into one of these homes firing his "Chicago Chopper," the sergeant's nick-name for his Thompson submachine-gun with a 50-shot drum of .45 caliber bullets.

Generally, the German family was hiding in the cellar and caused no trouble.

It was sometime after the 78th Division captured Aachen he suffered his first war wound and received a Purple Heart medal.

"I was hit in the chin and neck by shrapnel," he said. "I was sent to a Belgium hospital where they treated my wounds and dug the shrapnel out of my face. In two weeks I was back on the front line with the 78th."

When Coine's unit reached Remagen, Germany the bridge across the Rhine River was still standing. It was the only span into the heart of the Fatherland the Germans hadn't blown.

"After requesting artillery to silence the snipers and the enemy tanks, our division was on a hill overlooking the bridge. They called in Army trucks to get us down to the bridge in a hurry," he said. "It was a pretty long railroad bridge, maybe a half-mile or more. There were German snipers up on towers shooting down at us as we ran across the bridge. Down below they'd anchored a barge in the Rhine with an enemy machine-gun on it shooting up at us."

"Dead and wounded German and American soldiers littered the bridge. When we reached the other end of the bridge there was a railroad tunnel crowded with German soldiers and

civilians. They came out with their hands up and surrendered."

A day or two after the 78th Division captured the Remagen Bridge, it collapsed unexpectedly into the river. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers built a pontoon bridge across the Rhine next to where the Ludendorff Bridge had been located.

By that time, Pfc. Coine and his division had moved on. The last big battle he participated in was for Schmidt, Germany. The 78th took what was left of the town during the closing months of the war in Europe. The community had been flattened by the Allied air forces. Hardly a building was left standing.

Shortly after Schmidt, Coine was hit in his upper right leg by shrapnel and seriously wounded. He spent months in a string of hospitals recovering from his wounds. He began his recovery in a French hospital and from there was flown to England where he spent more time in the hospital. From there he flew to New York City and eventually wound up in Fletcher General Hospital in Cambridge, Ohio.

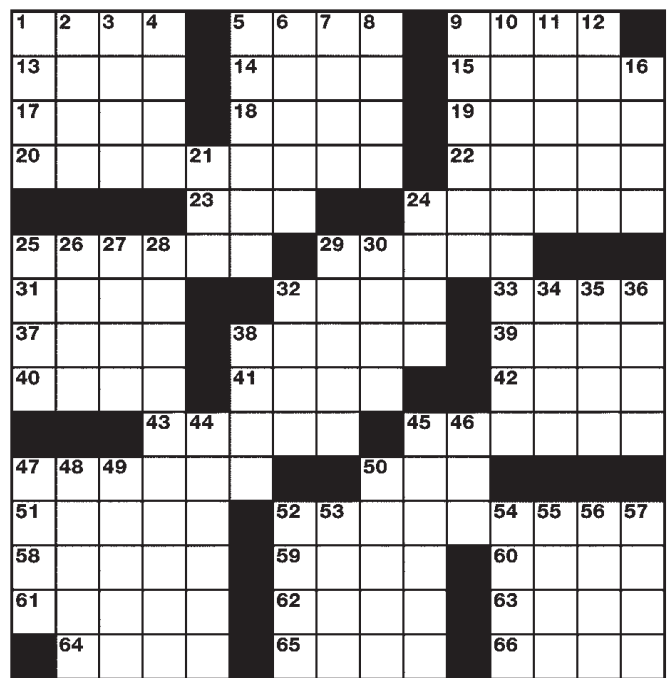
When Coine was released from the hospital in Ohio he reported to an Army base at Indian Town Gap, Pennsylvania, where he was discharged from the service in December 1945. He immediately completed his senior year in high school. He went to work at a company that produced fire brick for furnaces in the Philadelphia area.

He got a job a couple of years later with the Fleming Food Co. also in the Philadelphia area. Coine worked for this firm for decades until he retired in 1986. He and his late wife, Joan, had two children: Mike and David. He moved to Florida in January with son Mike and his family.

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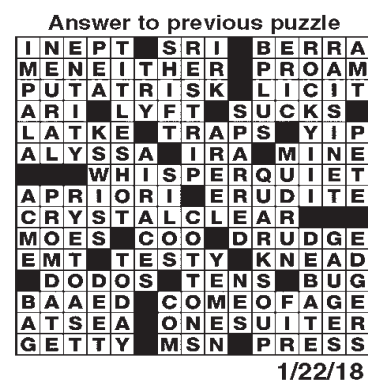
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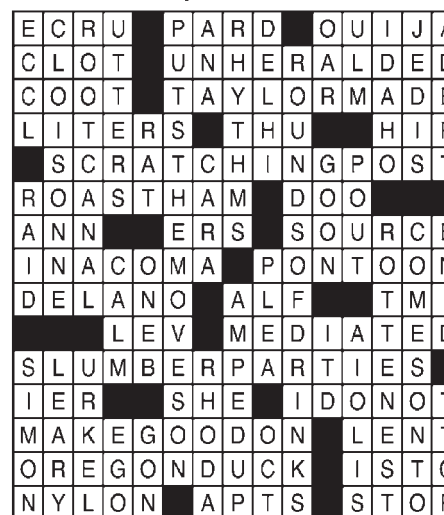
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Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Lewis

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By Gail Grabowski and Bruce Venzke 1/22/18

## Saturday's Puzzle Solved



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## The gentle art of hospitality

At my house, we have a very open door policy — we constantly have people in our home for dinners, brunches and more, all the time.



Leanne ELY  
COLUMNIST

Seriously — all the time.

And when friends or family are in town? They stay in our guest room.

These days, for whatever reason, people are less apt to open their homes to guests — whether friends or family, and

meet in restaurants.

That's not a terrible thing at all, but when you consider the warmth of a home, the deliciousness of a home cooked meal and the sheer comfy factor of being in your own home if you're hosting or someone else's home if you're a guest, it's a rare treat these days.

But underneath this act of hospitality, is an opportunity to build community, to love people up and connect in a way that you just can't do at a restaurant.

People are intimidated by having people over though — I've heard this over and over and over again.

Why?

- My house isn't (fill in the blank) enough ... big, nice, whatever
- I can't cook
- It's too much work

And on it goes.

I'm not going to lie, it does take a little work, but it doesn't have to be Thanksgiving-sized epic meals every single time. You don't have to pull out the silver and polish it like your grandmother did and paper napkins will work just fine — no ironing required.

Because unlike "entertaining" Martha Stewart style, hospitality only requires an open door and an open heart.

In my experience, this is how family, friends and new acquaintances build community, friendships and a lot of love.

Think about opening your door to hospitality if you want a richer, more meaningful life filled with a wonderful community.

It doesn't have to be fancy — it could even be a crockpot full of chili and a potluck with paper plates and such. There's no such thing as too casual when it comes to hospitality, keep that in mind.

I challenge you this year to open your doors to hospitality — I promise you, you will thank me later.

*Leanne Ely is a New York Times bestselling author and the creator of SavingDinner.com, the original menu planning website, bringing families back to the dinner table for over 15 years.*

## Harris works to aid victims of abuse



SUN PHOTO BY RUSTY PRAY

Judith Harris is the board president of C.A.R.E., an advocacy and assistance organization for domestic and sexual abuse in Charlotte County.

By RUSTY PRAY  
SUN CORRESPONDENT

The numbers are chilling. In 2015, there were 610 responses to domestic violence calls and 31 rapes reported in Charlotte County.

According to the National Coalition against Domestic Violence, 1 in 3 women and 1 in 4 men have experienced some form of physical violence by a partner.

"The numbers are pretty amazing, really," Judith Harris said.

Harris is board chairwoman of C.A.R.E. — the Center for Abuse and Rape Emergencies — an advocacy and assistance organization for domestic and sexual abuse in Charlotte County. The nonprofit is Charlotte's response to the predators and tough guys who form the scum at the bottom of the county.

"These are statistics for only things that get reported," she continued. "God knows what goes on that we don't know about. It's important that people

understand it happens to people in every social strata. It isn't just poor people. It can happen anywhere, any time.

"People think what we do doesn't affect them, but if you see the numbers, I'm sure everyone knows someone who has been the victim of domestic abuse or has been the victim of sexual assault. It's just the way it is."

C.A.R.E. has been serving the community for 35 years, an outgrowth of the Charlotte County Rape Crisis Center. It offers a

number of free services, including an emergency shelter for abused women and their children, hotlines, counseling, civil legal aid, transportation, and self-help programs.

In 1983, Bill Jones "found women had no place to turn if they were raped," Harris said. "The police didn't know how to handle the cases."

A group of women, including Paula Hess, Jane Brenner, Garnette Scholl and Nancy Lisby, "got together

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### SPOTLIGHT

## Cathi Dryburgh, chief financial officer of Integrity Companies

**Name:** Cathi Dryburgh

**Q: Degrees:**

**A:** N/A - I studied accounting and business management at Edison Community (Now Florida SW State)

**Q: Occupation:**

**A:** Accountant

**Q: How many years in Charlotte / Sarasota County:**

**A:** 9 years in Charlotte County

**Q: Hobbies:**

**A:** Fundraising and supporting nonprofits

**Q: What do you like best about your job:**

**A:** Working with a great team, having the same goals, dedication and Integrity

**Q: What's the funniest/weirdest thing you ever did on the job:**

**A:** I left for lunch at 10:30, thinking it was 11:30. Also, broke my heel and used duct tape to repair it and wore it like that the rest of the day.

**Q: What is the greatest lesson you have learned?**

**A:** Hard work and dedication will



CATHI DRYBURGH

always be rewarded in the end.

**Q: What other interesting or unusual jobs have you had?**

**A:** I headed a team of youth puppeteers.

**Q: What is one important trait every leader should have?**

**A:** Stay positive and keep smiling, even under pressure.

**Q: Have you had a personal or business mentor?**

**A:** My dad. He has instilled in me good work ethics and values which I try to apply in my daily business practices. It is heartwarming to see my daughters with the same principals.

**Q: How do you define success?**

**A:** Meeting personal and business goals, then setting new ones.

**Q: What is your most proud moment you have achieved in your profession?**

**A:** Becoming a licensed Controlling Person for the state of Florida, then being promoted to Chief Financial Officer of Integrity Employee Leasing.

**Q: Something no one knows about you:**

**A:** I have been on several mission trips.

## Local writing groups' members publish fiction

In December, I covered Suncoast Writers Guild Inc. in depth, and earlier in January, I focused on Our Writers' Own Workshop.

This article brings you in depth information on Englewood Authors, the third major writing group in the area.

"When Dave (Metcalf) has his book complete

we will be holding special meetings (not scheduled yet) focused upon Create Space. We will be using Dave's book



Tammie DIEHL  
COLUMNIST

at a model for this program."

That is a quote from Englewood Authors president Ed Ellis, referring to the book Dave Metcalf will release soon. Metcalf is the former president of Suncoast Writers and is a retired journalist, so he brings much experience to all of his writing.

Local writer Dave Metcalf has a science fiction story, "Rockland Point Revelations" set in Rockland Point, a coastal town in Massachusetts where the locals are unaware of what is about to happen that will make their town known to the world. The storyline involves time travel, members of a couple of covert organizations and a skeptical newspaper man.

"By the way, anybody familiar with my home town

of Dartmouth, Massachusetts, may recognize the similarities between Rockland Point and Dartmouth," said Metcalf.

Englewood Authors is free for the writing community and all are welcome. The meetings are always on the second Wednesday each month. The group meets at 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Jacaranda Trace, 3600 William Penn Way, Venice. Then they move to Elsie Quirk Library in Englewood from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. the same day. Members can attend either location and time or both.

The dual schedule is unique to Englewood Authors in this area and allows residents of the large retirement community at Jacaranda Trace attend a writing group without having to get rides. The evening

meeting time at Elsie Quirk in Englewood gives people who work during the day an opportunity also.

Others things we will be addressing in 2018 are as follows:

- Writing effective news releases
- Using search engines for marketing
- Use of email marketing
- Creating a group of masterminds for marketing
- Creating flyers for shows and book fairs
- Marketing through book fairs.

Ellis continued the interview, "Tammie, this is a look forward into the activities of Englewood Authors. We will be using a portion of monthly meeting for this purpose. After the training, we

will continue with members helping members through group reading and critique. Nonmembers can follow the progress of this program by viewing our blog, [www.EnglewoodAuthors.blogspot.com](http://www.EnglewoodAuthors.blogspot.com)."

Other local writers have books out. Cheryl Doyle from North Port has "Inn of the Graces," a cozy mystery, and I did a collection of humorous short stories set in Florida, "The Thursday Afternoon Dance Social at Fat Willie's Fish Camp." Check them out on Amazon.com.

Here are some local groups that meet in the area:

- Englewood Authors, 5 p.m. the second Monday of each week at Elsie Quirk Library, 100 W. Dearborn St. Free.

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# Kunis named woman of the year by Harvard's Hasty Pudding

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Mila Kunis, who made her mark on two long-running television comedies and earned a Golden Globe nomination for her work on the big screen, was named Woman of the Year on Tuesday by Harvard University's Hasty Pudding Theatricals.

Kunis is being honored by the nation's oldest collegiate theatrical organization because she is one of Hollywood's "most sought after, vivacious, and engaging actresses." "We have been watching her on both the big

and small screen since we were young and can't wait to celebrate her achievements in a truly unique and memorable way," Hasty Pudding Theatricals co-producer Annie McCreery said in the announcement. Kunis earned a Golden Globe nomination for her portrayal of Lily in 2010's "Black Swan."

She more recently starred in "Bad Moms" and "A Bad Moms Christmas" and just wrapped production on "The Spy Who Dumped Me," scheduled for release in August. She's perhaps best known for two early

television roles, Jackie Burkhart in "That '70s Show" and as the voice of Meg Griffin in the animated series "Family Guy."

The Ukraine-born actress will be honored Jan. 25 with a parade through the streets of Cambridge followed by a roast at which she will receive her pudding pot.

Hasty Pudding has been naming a Woman of the Year since 1951, and previous winners include Debbie Reynolds, Elizabeth Taylor and Lucille Ball. Last year's winner was Octavia Spencer.



AP FILE PHOTO

In this Oct. 30, 2017 file photo, Mila Kunis arrives at the Los Angeles premiere of "A Bad Moms Christmas." Kunis has been named Woman of the Year by Harvard University's Hasty Pudding Theatricals. She'll be honored Jan. 25 with a parade through Cambridge followed by a roast at which she will receive her pudding pot.

## HARRIS

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and formed this group. At the time, they had no shelter. People tell me Garnette Scholl went door-to-door to raise money. They began with \$50 in the bank, and they've grown it into the amazing thing we do."

Harris has inherited that legacy. She is beginning her second year as board chairwoman, but she has been involved with C.A.R.E. for about 10 years, including serving as president of its auxiliary.

Her interest in combating domestic abuse goes back much further.

C.A.R.E. is her instrument for doing just that.

"So many people don't know the services we provide," she said. "The shelter is a small part of what we do. The legal services, training, meetings. ... A lot of women don't know how to make a nutritious meal for their children. They don't know

how to look for a job or open a bank account. We help them with all that."

The process usually begins with a phone call. "The people who stay in the shelter are pretty much desperate to get away," Harris said. "They come with their clothes on their back."

Help begins immediately, and it can include planning.

"I had a friend who was in a lot of trouble at home," Harris said. "We assisted her. It was all timed so that she and the children would be out and the police came to the house, and he had like five minutes to put his things together and out he went with a restraining order against him. It can be very dramatic, some of it."

C.A.R.E. depends on grants, donations and fundraisers to provide its services. Its biggest fundraiser, the C.A.R.E. Ball — a Diamonds & Pearls, is scheduled for 6 p.m. Jan. 27 at the

Charlotte Harbor Event & Conference Center.

The 30th annual benefit is the "only event hosted by the board of directors," Harris said. The event is sold out. Harris was born in Warren, Ohio. She attended Kent State University and completed her degree in hotel management at the Lewis School in Washington, D.C.

She spent 20 years in the hotel industry, specializing in marketing and sales. She has been in Florida since 1973, so she's almost a native. She has been married Sam Harris, a retired Delta Airlines pilot, for 31 years. Sam's two children have provided them with four grandchildren.

She continues to work for triple-A and helps at Pomegranate and Fig, the boutique shop in Punta Gorda.

"I'll never stop working," Harris said. "It's in my genes."

That includes helping victims of domestic and sexual abuse.

## COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS

### Friends of Wildlife

The North Port Friends of Wildlife hosts a talk about sea turtles of the region at 6 p.m. Jan. 24 at North Port Library, 13800 Tamiami Trail, North Port. Carol Leonard, a member of Coastal Wildlife Club Turtle Patrol, will discuss monitoring nests in the area. She retired from Lemon Bay High School in 2001 and has degrees in zoology and marine science education. The discussion is free and open. For more information, call 941-876-3720 or visit the website [www.northportfriendsofwildlife.org](http://www.northportfriendsofwildlife.org).

### Garden Club

The Allamanda Garden Club has its next meeting with doors opening at 12:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 26 at Trinity United Methodist Church, 4285 Wesley Lane, North Port. The

meeting starts at 1 p.m.. The speaker is Susie Cochran, sharing practical tips for preparing flowers, plants and veggies for entry in the April flower show. For more information, call Pat Petersmark at 941-888-2810.

### Divas' Show Features Cher, Joan Rivers Impersonators

"Divas in a Man's World" is a show you'll have to see to believe. The remarkable Steven Andrade as Cher and the hilarious Gary Dee as Joan Rivers will take the stage for a one-night-only concert at the Cultural Center Theater on Wednesday. The Vegas style production features fabulous dancers and over 20 dazzling costume changes.

The show starts at 7:30 p.m. at the Cultural Center of Charlotte County, 2280 Aaron St., Port Charlotte. Tickets

are \$30 and may be ordered at the Charlotte Players website, [www.charlotteplayers.org](http://www.charlotteplayers.org), or by calling the box office at 941-625-4175, ext. 220.

### Church dinner

Trinity United Methodist Church is holding a Swiss steak dinner at 4:30 p.m. Tuesday. The donation is \$10 and tickets are on sale at the church at 4285 Wesley Lane, North Port.

### FGCU Foreign Film Series

"The Silence" (2010 German), part of FGCU's foreign film series, will be shown from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. on Tuesday at FGCU's Renaissance Academy, 117 Herald Court, Suite 211, Punta Gorda. The fee is \$5. Parking is free in the adjacent parking garage. For more information, call 941-505- 0130.

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# Group honors local women

By DANIEL SUTPHIN  
STAFF WRITER

Empowerment is essential to the women of Women United in the Charlotte County area. The United Way group recently held its 2nd annual luncheon honoring three local women — naming a Woman of Distinction for her efforts in social work within the school district, and two other women for their courage as they work to further establish their goals in the areas of financial stability, health and wellness.

Susan Flores, a social worker for Charlotte County Public Schools, was named the group's Woman of Distinction for 2018.

"To be honored for something like this," said Flores at the luncheon, "as I look around to all the distinguished women that are here is absolutely an honor. My role as a school social worker, I feel like I am challenged every day, but I do give my heart to it because my passion is to help children and families overcome obstacles that we know they have and to empower them to do things in the future — such as helping others — and so it really does make me quite proud to be honored for that."

"But at the same time," she said, "as I look around to the people who I know are doing the same thing, I'm really so humbled by it. We have educators (here), we have mentors here, we have volunteers here who do this as well. I really do appreciate being recognized, but I want you all to know that you deserve that honor as well and I appreciate that."

For the luncheon, Women United invited local business owners, community leaders, and women, in general, of Charlotte County. "Basically, our goal is to really share on everybody's strengths," said Bevin Gallo, group member and system director of marketing and PR at Bayfront Health. The final tally of guests and members at the luncheon reached around 100 people.

The group also honored two other women with the Woman of Courage award. This is the first year for the award so to make up for 2017, the group named Christine Bowers with the 2017 Woman of Courage and Jessica Morrison for the 2018 award.

Bowers said she connected with Women United a year and half ago in a time of financial need. In doing so, she received a Seasons of Sharing Scholarship.

"(United Women has helped) tremendously," said Bowers. "It kept us in our home that we are renting right now. From



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Alongside receiving the 2018 Women United's Woman of Courage award, Jessica Morrison, right, received a \$500 check and a laptop to help her education efforts as a part of the group's mentor program.



Over 100 women gathered for the Women United's 2nd annual luncheon on Tuesday.

there, just being connected to these ladies, I've been able to take my kids on a Disney vacation and just having the encouragement to get back into school, getting to work, just finding resources to help ... (it's) stability."

Bowers studies to enter elementary education. She is also in the process of receiving her first home as a recipient of a Habitat for Humanities home. Alongside the 2017 Woman of Courage award, she also received an engraved silver platter from United Women for her new home. The engraving read, "Bowers Family 2018."

Bowers said the award and the gift are motivation to keep going. "I want my kids to be proud of me. I want to be something someday, not just a struggling, poor mom."

With the 2017 Woman of Courage behind them, United Women moved

onto the 2018 recipient. Jessica Morrison, 27, and a mother of three, is a part of the group's mentor program. On top of the award, she was also given a check for \$500 and a new laptop to help her further her education.

"Thank you for the opportunity to do this," Morrison said in her acceptance speech. "Not many people in my position get a chance to do something like this. I made a lot of bad choices in my life and missed out on a lot of opportunities. So, now, I want to be able to live through my children because growing up, I had to grow up real fast."

Morrison said her father passed away when she was young and her mother left. Due to her mother's "poor choices," Morrison said her family also disowned them, leaving her brother to raise her and her siblings.



CCPS social worker Susan Flores receives the Woman of Distinction award from Women United.



Award recipients at the Women United Luncheon, from left to right: Christine Bowers, Susan Flores and Jessica Morrison.

At left: Charlotte County United Way Interim Executive Director Angie Matthiessen discusses programs and plans for Women United and United Way at the group's 2nd annual awards ceremony.



Above: Christine Bowers receives Women United's 2017 Woman of Courage award. The group awarded the 2017 honoree this year because this was the organizations first year of offering the award.

At right: United Way members Patrice Weston, left, and Angie Matthiessen serve lunches at the Women United's 2nd annual luncheon.



"I ended up dropping out of school when I was in eighth grade," she said. "So (the) best thing I knew how to do is have a family and try to start from there ... and that's what I did. I realize that I was, kind of in a way, following in my mother's footsteps there for awhile, and that maybe it was a wake up call for me."

At some point in her

past, social services took her kids away. Since that point, Morrison said she has gotten clean and sober, gotten her children back and, with the mentor program, continuing her education.

"It's just awesome," Morrison said. "It's a new way of life for me ... I guess because I'm not used to this at all. Being sober and clean and ...

it's different and it's awesome and I would never change it for the world. I want to be able to see my kids grow up and have a future and I want for my kids to have something they can actually call home." Upon getting her GED, Morrison said she plans to go to college to become a Veterinarian Tech.

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# New Vision Pill Gives Aging Seniors Better Eyesight

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By Patrick Kennedy  
Health Correspondent

CAMBRIDGE, MA — Exciting new studies from Harvard Medical School are creating a surge in demand for the new vision formula called *ClearSight Advanced*.

"We knew we had a successful formula with an outstanding track record, but we never expected this much demand," said Jonathan Sinclair, President of New Life Nutraceuticals — the makers of this new vision-restoring breakthrough.

With such strong clinical evidence behind *ClearSight Advanced*, it's easy to see why the public is so eager to get this new vision-restoring formula.

To begin with, results from the Harvard Medical School study are impressive. A remarkable 87% of patients taking the active ingredient in *ClearSight Advanced* report visual improvements in as little as three months — with many patients seeing initial results in as little as 10 days.

The results were so encouraging, the lead researcher of the Harvard team, Dr. Max Snodderly concluded, "Perhaps the gradual loss of vision in many older people is not an inevitable consequence of the aging process..."

## Why So Much Excitement?

Scientists from the Schepens Eye Research Institute, affiliated with Harvard Medical School, discovered an amazing nutrient that restores and prevents damage to the macula. The macula is the center part of your retina and is responsible for 20/20 vision.

Age-related damage to the macula, called macular degeneration, is the leading cause of vision loss, affecting more than 10 million Americans — more than cataracts and glaucoma combined!

This nutrient is not a drug. It's the active ingredient in *ClearSight Advanced*. Clinical studies show it supports the macula by increasing "macular pigment density."

Many patients see improvements to their night vision, allowing them to keep their driver's license. Many are able to see sharper lines and brighter colors. Some report they no longer need glasses, or can at least weaken their prescriptions. And many more avoid further loss of their eyesight.

"My close up and distance vision has improved with the use of *ClearSight Advanced*," says Scott Fisher of West Palm Beach, FL. "I can see more clearly than I had previously and I don't struggle to read the small fonts on my iPhone."



**VISION-RESTORING SENSATION:** Top doctors are now recommending new *ClearSight Advanced* because it restores youthful eyesight without glasses, contacts or laser surgery.

## Impressive Clinical Results

Published in the world's top medical journals like the Journal of the American Medical Association (JAMA), and Investigative Ophthalmology & Visual Science, the Harvard results are stunning.

The results show *ClearSight Advanced* helps aging seniors with these troubling symptoms:

- Near-sightedness
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- Blind spots
- Distortions
- Blurry vision
- Double vision
- Spots and floaters
- Trouble reading
- Faded colors
- Poor night vision
- Eye fatigue
- Cloudy lenses
- Difficulty adjusting to darkness

There is no miracle cure for vision loss and no substitute for qualified medical advice, but the impressive results provide much

needed hope for seniors struggling with failing eyesight.

But with such a dramatic improvement in vision and quality of life, it's easy to see why thousands of callers are jamming phone lines trying to secure their supply of *ClearSight Advanced*.

## How It Works

The active ingredient in *ClearSight Advanced* is a carotenoid, or natural pigment, called lutein. The macula is made from this vital nutrient, so it's required for 20/20 vision.

This breakthrough discovery was confirmed when Dr. Snodderly measured the "macular pigment density," or "thickness" of the macula in volunteers as young as 24 and as old as 84.

The Harvard study found that people age 60 and over with higher macula pigment density

had eyesight that was just as sharp as the volunteers who were still in their 20s!

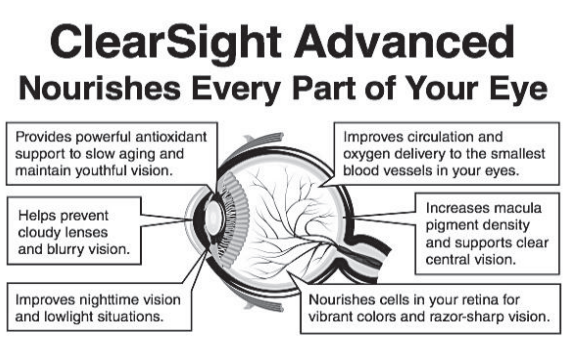
"Taken together, the evidence suggests that macular pigment may protect against retinal disease by reducing damage that occurs as we age," Dr. Snodderly said.

**What Other Doctors are Saying**

For doctors like Dr. Adam Cohen, of Boca Raton, Florida, *ClearSight Advanced* is the only safe, affordable, and reliable way to restore failing eyesight.

"I have patients in their 80s who can still drive at night without a problem. Others who used to complain about seeing a 'halo effect' or other distortions can now read, drive, or watch TV without any trouble," Dr. Cohen said.

"The nutrients in *ClearSight Advanced* help your eyes in other ways, too. They help protect against cataracts, glaucoma, and blind spots... it's good for more than just reading an eye chart."



## How To Get ClearSight Advanced

This is the official nationwide release of *ClearSight Advanced* in the United States. And so, the company is offering a special discount supply to anyone who calls within the next 48 hours.

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**Important:** Due to *ClearSight Advanced* recent media exposure, phone lines are often busy. If you call and do not immediately get through, please be patient and call back.



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**Mother-and-son lighted clothing design team Rachel Merrill and Devon Merrill at her Carmel Valley home and studio. She's wearing their Lightning dress and standing next to their Light Dance project, while he's in their Wearlight vest.**

# Mom and son lighting up the fashion world

By PAM KRAGEN  
THE SAN DIEGO UNION-TRIBUNE

What do you get when you combine a mom with a passion for fashion design with a son who's a Ph.D. candidate in computer science at UC San Diego?

In the case of family entrepreneurs Rachel Merrill and Devon Merrill of San Diego, you get Lighted Clothing, a new company that is pushing boundaries in the field of illuminated fashion.

Since they started their collaboration about 18 months ago, the Merrills have co-created five fashion pieces that incorporate LED lights, fiber optics, hidden batteries and tiny computers that create streaks of lightning on a dress, moving bands of color and pictures on a vest and waves of glowing light on a skirt that grow brighter whenever its wearer moves.

Last month, the Merrills won a national "Textiles in Technology" award in the Surface Design Association's Future Fabrication: Exhibition in Print 2017. They were among seven winners chosen from a field of 250 entries by jurors Richard Elliott, a textiles expert and professor at the California College of the Arts in Oakland, and Cathryn Hall, from the Houston Center for Contemporary Craft.

Elliott said the concept of illuminated clothing has been around for at least five years, but the Merrills have taken the technology up a notch in a visually striking way.

"Their work really exemplifies the optimal combination of sheer fabric to diffuse the light, so it's not so gaudy and bright, and the element of motion that mimics the movements of the wearer," Elliott said. "What's fascinating about their collaboration is that it's cross-generational. I haven't seen that before and their abilities are so compatible with one another."

Rachel Merrill — a retired biotechnology acquisitions attorney who lives with her husband, Lex, in Carmel Valley — said she's enjoyed finding a new way to express her creativity. But she's most happy about collaborating with her 29-year-old son.

"I feel like it's a gift," she said. "Not many parents have an opportunity to do something with their grown children that's so creative and that draws so completely on their different interests and skills. It's precious time."

Rachel and Devon Merrill both come from crafty backgrounds, but illuminated fashion wasn't on either of their radars until 2016.

Rachel taught her self to sew in her mid-20s by bringing home Vogue patterns and learning to make clothes by trial and error. Devon developed a love for tinkering from his dad, Lex, whose hobby is rebuilding antique radios. By the time he was at Torrey Pines High School, Devon was soldering his own home electronics and writing computer code.

One hobby the family shares is hiking. When Rachel retired in 2012, she spent four months hiking the Pacific Crest Trail, eventually logging more than 2,000 miles. But injuries forced her to give up the sport three years ago and she went looking for a more sedentary hobby. She found it when she signed up for a fashion design class at San Diego Mesa College in spring 2016.

One of her first fashion ideas was Starlight, a hand-dyed blue silk dress with a mesh liner interwoven with 700 strands of illuminated superfine filament. There was just one problem. She had no idea how to work with fiber optics, electronic circuits or computer code.

So she asked Devon — who lives in the UTC area with his girlfriend Enjoli Gomez — to teach her about lights, soldering and building circuits. After she finished weaving the fiber liner for Starlight, he built the computerized controller and wrote the code that creates subtly moving waves of white light.

This sounds easier than it is. The reason illuminated clothes aren't on every store shelf is the danger factor. A miswired circuit could mean a very real risk of fire.

"I've burned myself a few times," he said, "but I haven't had a model spontaneously combust yet."

After Starlight won best of show in Mesa's 2016 Golden Scissors Fashion Show, the college's department chair, Susan Lazear, invited Devon to begin teaching a seminar class every semester on wearable technology.

During the first seminar session, the Merrills co-created their next project, Wearlight. Rachel designed the black cotton/polyester zip-up vest and Devon implanted it with 96 hidden, fully programmable LED 2-inch pixels that can create millions of colors, patterns and pictures.

It won two awards at Mesa's next fashion show.

Last spring, they created Lightning, a lavender sheath dress implanted with four branched channels of light that create the illusion of a moving lightning storm.

Their biggest project to date was Light Dance, a haute-couture dress built for last fall's Women & Science fashion gala at the Salk Institute. Rachel was tasked with creating a dress inspired by the work of now-former Salk researcher Hermina Nedelescu, who studies the neural pathways in the cerebellum.

Microscopic photos of cells and neurons in the cerebellum were printed on the dress bodice and decorated with pearls and fine silver chain. The skirt was made with undulating layers of fabric that resembled the folds of the brain.

Devon designed the computer controller which was hidden in a cerebellum-shaped plastic headpiece he created on a 3D printer. It was connected to the dress via a cable that ran down the model's spine, the same way the cerebellum sends neural signals to the body. The movement-sensitive "cerebellum" controller caused the dress lights to glow brighter whenever the model turned her head or walked.

Their most recent project is Illumination, a denim vest with a quilted fabric panel designed by Rachel's sister. Its computer controller shifts the light around to different sections of the artwork in a pattern.

Devon said working over the past 18 months on these projects has been illuminating in more ways than one. Besides teaching at Mesa, he also teaches the wearable fashion technology to freshman computer students at UCSD. He sees vast differences between the students' educational and socio-economic backgrounds and their abilities to learn the technology.

To help close that learning gap, he recently launched the Gadgetron Robot Factory (robots.gadgetron.build), a drag-and-drop website where people can learn how to build circuits and electronics without any fiery mistakes.

Through their website (lightedclothing.com) the Merrills hope to attract some commissions so they can work together again soon.

"We're both taking it in the directions we want to," she said, "and somehow we're doing it together."

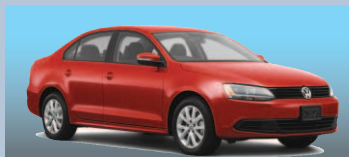
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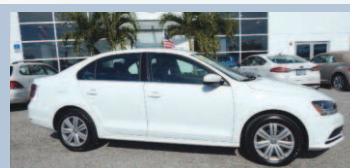
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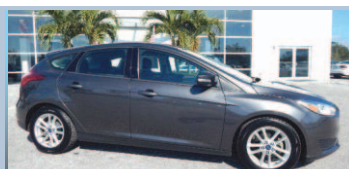
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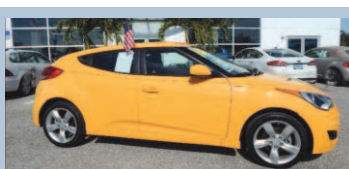
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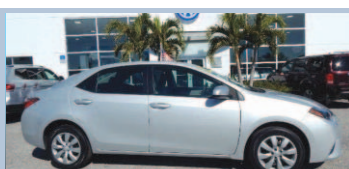
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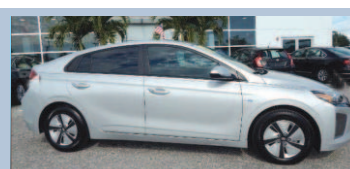
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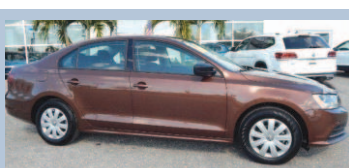
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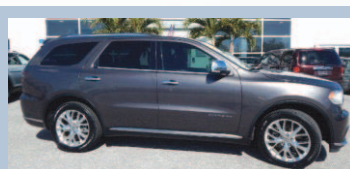
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# Couric returning for Winter Olympics ceremony

By DAVID BAUDER  
AP MEDIA WRITER

NBC is bringing back Katie Couric to co-host the opening ceremony of the Winter Olympics next month in South Korea, and will live-stream the pomp for the first time.

Couric will work with Mike Tirico, who is replacing Bob Costas as prime-time host of the games, for the Feb. 9 ceremony.

The torch-lighting and parade of nations that begins every Olympics took on greater resonance Wednesday with the announcement that the rival Koreas will form their first unified Olympic team and march together in the ceremony.

"It's going to be really emotional for the athletes, for the crowd and for everybody sitting at home," said Jim Bell, executive producer of the Olympics for NBC.

The decision to live-stream the ceremony starting at 6 a.m. in the United States takes some critical heat off

NBC. Some fans thought it odd that during the 2016 summer games in Brazil, NBC allowed every competition to be shown live online but not the opening ceremony. The live-stream will be available for free to cable subscribers.

The prime-time broadcast NBC will show on television will likely be edited for brevity.

Similarly, NBC will show its nightly Olympic prime-time broadcast that begins at 8 p.m. on the East Coast live across the country; given the time difference, there will be a lot of events taking place live during that time, daylight the next day in Korea. That means the West Coast "prime-time" broadcast will begin at 5 p.m.

The moves are a further recognition by NBC of the difficulty in showing tape-delayed events at a time the audience accustomed to seeing things when they want to.

Hoda Kotb would have been a natural pick to host the opening

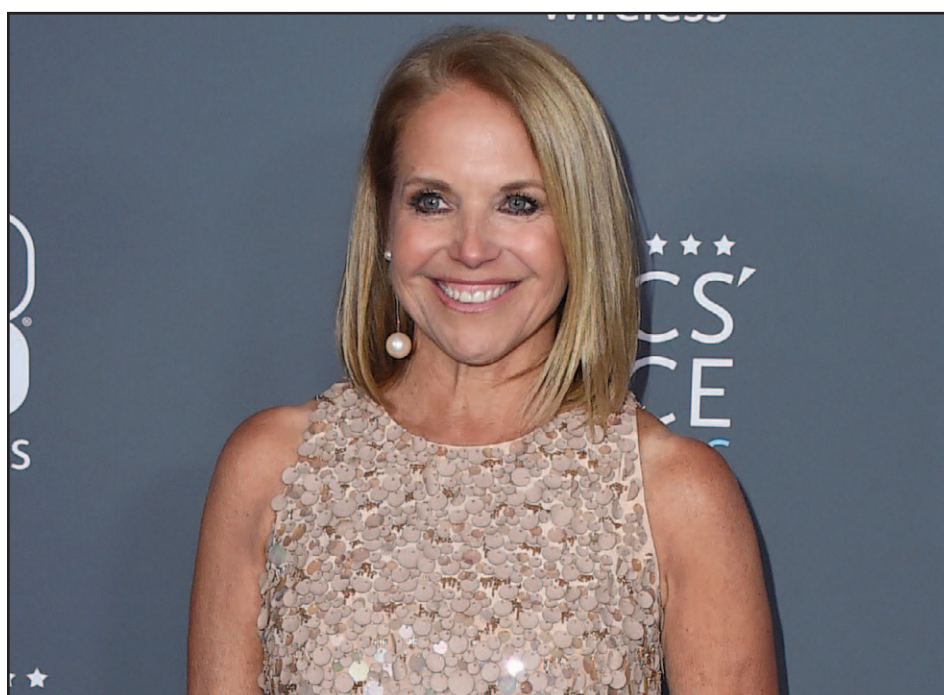
ceremony, but Bell said he didn't want to burden her when she just got the new lead job at "Today." So, instead, he called Couric, the former "Today" host who handled Olympic ceremonies in 2000, 2002, 2004 with Costas.

She joked at a news conference Wednesday that she and Tirico "go way back, to 45 minutes ago."

NBC also said that it had hired Joshua Cooper Ramo, a co-chief executive of the Kissinger Associates consulting firm and an Asian expert, to provide analysis during the games.

The thaw in relations between North and South Korea — however temporary — adds an intriguing element to an Olympics that has had little advanced buzz. NBC's most promotable American stars going in are Lindsey Vonn and Shaun White, two veteran athletes hoping for a last hurrah in Pyeongchang.

It means NBC is braced for a dip in its prime-time



AP FILE PHOTO

In this Jan. 11, 2018 file photo, Katie Couric poses in the press room at the 23rd annual Critics' Choice Awards in Santa Monica, Calif. NBC is bringing back Katie Couric to co-host the opening ceremony of the Winter Olympics next month. She will be co-host with Mike Tirico, who is replacing Bob Costas as prime-time host of the games. The ceremony will take place in South Korea on Feb. 9.

ratings, something that might be expected anyway because live television viewership in general is down from four years ago.

"I hope not," said NBC

Sports Chairman Mark Lazarus. "But I just think media gravity takes us that way."

Instead, NBC is intent on convincing its advertisers that even if

prime-time television viewing is off, that more people will consume Olympics content on cable, online and through venues like Snapchat, he said.

## COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS

### 10th Annual Tennis Ball

The Suncoast Humane Society has planned its 10th Annual Tennis Ball, set for 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Wednesday at the Boca Grande Golf & Country Club. Tickets are \$125 and may be purchased at the Humane Society, 6781 San Casa Drive, Englewood, its thrift stores, the Boca Grande Club or at www.humane.org. Dinner and beverages are included

with the ticket.

All proceeds to benefit Suncoast Humane Society and the homeless animals entrusted to their care. Their services cover Boca Grande Charlotte and Sarasota Counties. Guests will enjoy a sit-down gourmet dinner, beverages and exciting live and silent auctions that include upscale items, art, entertainment and travel packages, plus a shiny new red four-passenger golf cart with a one-year

maintenance agreement; an exquisite 18k Omega Speedmaster Automatic watch valued at \$29,500; a one-week stay at the El Galeon resort on Manasota Key; a cooking demonstration by Chef Greg Foos for 30 people; a Lion Fish table sculpture on a mahogany base; and various entertainment/dining packages from your local favorites.

Last year's festivities raised nearly \$70,000, benefiting the services, programs and homeless

animals of Suncoast Humane Society.

### Quarter Auction

The next Quarter Auction is set for Wednesday at the Rotonda West American Legion Post 115, 3436 Indiana Road, Rotonda West. Doors open at 6 p.m., and the auction begins at 7 p.m. There will be a raffle, and food and drinks are available. Bring lots of quarters. Proceeds this month benefit Lemon Bay High School Project Graduation, a nonprofit organization that gives the graduating class an all-night safe lock-in party.

### LB Woman's Club sale

Lemon Bay Woman's Club will have its annual rummage sale at 51 N. Maple St., Englewood. Shop Early admission is \$5 and lets you in from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. Jan. 26.

Free admission is 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Jan. 26, and 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Jan. 27. A light lunch will be available. Proceeds will go to local charities and to the upkeep of the clubhouse which is on the National Register of Historic Places. For additional information, call 941-474-9762.

### Lions pork loin dinner

The Englewood Lions are hosting a pork loin dinner from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Jan. 27 at the Lions Club House, 4611 Placida Road. Dinner will be marinated pork, mashed potatoes, German sauerkraut, corn pudding, applesauce, apple crisp and a beverage. The public is invited. Tickets are \$12. Reservations suggested, call 698-7508. Call by Jan. 23 for an advance ticket price of \$11. All proceeds benefit various community projects.

### Free movie offered

Women Against Racism & Discrimination will begin the fifth year of its Fourth Friday Free Movie program at 1 p.m., Jan. 26, at FGCU's Renaissance Academy in Punta Gorda at 117 Herald Court, with the 2017 documentary, Teach Us All. This film shows how little progress has been made toward school desegregation and equality in the six decades since the Civil Rights Act of 1957 when nine African American students entered an all-white, Little Rock, Arkansas, High School and how such injustice works against social and intellectual growth in the United States and flies in the face of democracy. This program is open to all. Everyone is invited to remain after the movie for comments and discussion. For more information, call 941-380-2408.

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■ TODAY

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**Kayak Lettuce Lake**, Beautiful Peace River area, lunch at Navigator. 9am-3pm, Arcadia, 941-837-8805. Bring your kayak.  
**Deep Creek Elks**, Open @ 10. Lunch 11-2:30. Judi's drink "Southern Breeze". Races at 3. Tacos & burgers 4:30-7. 941-249-8067.  
**Eagles**, 23111 Harborview PC 941-629-1645 lunch 11-2pm dinner 5-8 Trustee meet 6pm & Aerie 7pm  
**Women's Bible @ Faith**, Women's Bible class with Dr. Hilgendorf discuss New Topics every week. Monday 10:30am, 4005 Palm Dr, PG, 639-6309  
**Chess Club**, Cultural Center 2280 Aaron St. Only 50 cents an hour. Cultural Center Members PLUS free. Everyone welcomed 941-625-4175.  
**Punta Gorda Elks**, 11-2 Lunch; 3pm Tiki; 4-7 Music/ MichaelHirst; 4:30-7:30 ChickenNite; 7-10 Karaoke/ BillyG @ 25538 ShorePG 637-2606; mbrs&gsts  
**Mahjongg at Faith**, All are welcome! Monday's 12:30pm, Faith

Lutheran, 4005 Palm Dr, PG, 33950, 639-6309  
**Yoga for Golfers**, The Yoga Sanctuary, 112 Sullivan St., Punta Gorda, FL 33950, Mondays, January 22nd – February 5th, 2 – 3:15pm, \$50  
**Port Charlotte Elks**, Monday Discount Day, Member/ Guests, Lodge Meeting 7PM, 1700 Tamiami Trail F3, Murdock, FL, 629-4545  
**Singer Jim Garee**, Singer Jim Garee performs 4-7 pm in Center Court at Fishermen's Village. 639-8721  
**Moose Bingo**, Port Charlotte Moose bingo Every Monday Speedy 5-6 and Regular Bingo, Jackpots 6-9. Food Available  
**Am Leg 110 Bingo**, Bar Bingo – Specials, Hot Ball – Open to Public – Starts at 6:00

■ TUESDAY

**AARP TaxAide**, Free tax prep appts for this tax season being made at the Cultural Center every day until 31 Jan 2018, 9am to 3pm.  
**Nature Walk**, 2.5 mi beach eco walk Stump Pass St Park 900 Gulf Blvd Englewood 9-11:30 am Charles Woodruff 914-799-0664 No res Park \$3

**Dulcimer Group**, Cultural Center 2280 Aaron St. Listen & play as the Dulcimer group plays 625-4175 all welcomed.  
**Deep Creek Elks**, Open @10. Lunch 11-2:30. Judi's drink "Hawaiian Punch". Pizza, Pasta 5-8. Karaoke with "Spotlight" 6-9. 941-249-8067.  
**Free Guided Hike**, Free guided nature walk at Charlotte Harbor Env. Center on Burnt Store Rd. Every Tues and Thurs. 10am. 941-575-5435  
**Eagles**, 23111 Harborview PC 941-629-1645 lunch 11-2pm dinner 5-8 music by Country Plus  
**Punta Gorda Elks**, 11-2 Lunch; 1-6 Tiki Tuesday, 1-5 Food; Music/Tiki Tom; 6pm Elkette Bd. Mt g; 7pm Elkette Gen Mtg. @ 25538 ShorePG 637-2606; mbrs&gsts  
**Auxilry Penny Bingo**, Post #113, Rotonda W. every Tuesday. 11:30 am-3:00 pm. Lots of fun. 697-9991 for info. Public Welcome!  
**Bridge at Faith**, All are welcome Learn to play this popular game, Tuesdays 12pm, Faith Lutheran, 4005 Palm Drive, PG, FL 639-6309  
**Bruce & Tiki D**, Bruce Neumann and Tiki D perform 12-3 pm in Center Court at Fishermen's Village. 639-8721

**Cards @ Rummikub**, 11:23, 1-4 PM, GFWC Woman's Club, 20271 Tappan Zee Dr., 9417668855, Memb \$1, Nonmemb \$2, Men welcomed  
**"Dunkirk" the movie**, 2 p.m. free PC Library 2280 Aaron St. 941-764-5562. Fresh Popcorn.  
**Tiki Tom & L.A. Sing**, From Rat Pack to Reggae Live Music on the Peace River with Tiki Tom & L.A.  
**Port Charlotte Elks**, Happy Hour prices 4:30 to 6:30. Visit with Members & Guests, Open 3 to 7:30, 1700 Tamiami Trail F3, Murdock, FL, 629-4545  
**Singer Paul Nagel**, Singer Paul Nagel performs 4-7 pm in center court at Fishermen's Village. 639-8721  
**Author Kris Radish**, Talks about her latest novel "A Dangerous Woman from Nowhere" 6pm Copperfish Books 103 W Marion Ave PG. RSVP 205-2560  
**Bar Bingo AL Aux 103**, Public Welcome Have Fun! 6-9 PM Collecting Misc Care Items for our Vets in need. 2101 Taylor Rd, PG 639-6337.  
**Barbershop Rehearsal**, Barbershop Chorus rehearsal every Tues, 7-9:30pm, Burnt Store Presbyterian Church, 11330 Burnt Store Rd, PG 625-1128

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■ WEDNESDAY

**Woodcarving**, Woodcarving and Woodburning every Wed. 8am to 12pm at the Cultural Center. Come and have fun. Bev 764-6452  
**AARP TaxAide**, Free tax prep appointments being made at the Cultural Center Cultural Center 15 to 31 Jan 2018, from 9am to 3pm  
**Dulcimer Group**, Cultural Center 2280 Aaron St. 9am-12:30pm. Free come have stamps appraised, some for sale 941-625-4175.  
**Project Linus**, Have Fun crochet knit quilt blankets for Charlotte County kids 9-11am New Day Church 20212 Peachland Nancy 627-4364  
**Kayak Myrtle Slough**, Bring your kayak and cover several ecorezones in one trip! 9AM-2PM, 941-505-8904.

**Am Leg 110 Bingo**, Early Birds 10:30 Hot Balls, progressive and specials. Am Legion Riders – Open to the public  
**Eagles**, 23111 Harborview Rd PC 941-629-1645 lunch 11-2 pm dinner 5-8 Karaoke by Billy G, Queen of Hearts 7:30pm  
**Punta Gorda Elks**, 11-2 Lunch; 3pm Tiki open; 5-8 Dinner; 6:30-10 Karaoke w/Wam @ 25538 ShorePG 637-2606; members & guests  
**Punta Gorda Elkettes**, Elkettes Thrift Shop Open to the Public from 11:30am to 2:30pm @ 25538 Shore Dr., PG, 637-2606, ext. 451

ENGLEWOOD EVENTS

■ TODAY

**Yoga for Every Body**, Join us for stretching, balance, breathing!, M-W-F 9-10am Englewood Sports Complex \$5 Denise  
**Crafting**, Help us to craft items; bring lunch, we supply dessert at Lemon Bay Woman's Club, 51 N. Maple St. 9:30 - 12:30 681-2048  
**Table Tennis**, Englewood Sports Complex, 941-861-1980, 9:30-11:30a. \$2 to play!  
**Partners in Play**, Share meaningful play with your child ages 0-5, limit 12 families 10:15 Elsie Quirk Library 100 W Dearborn 861-5000  
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**Euchre**, Every Mon & Wed @ 1:00 PM VFW Post 10178, 550 N McCall Rd. (941)474-7516 Come join us!  
**Ballroom Classes**, Every Monday thru February 14, 4:00 Beginner/Intermediate Class Sports Complex 941-496-9692 for info call  
**Monday Wings & More**, Wings, wet and dry, burgers, salads & more 5-7pm Music: John Hughes 6-9pm Rotonda Elks, members and guests. 697-2710  
**Monday night bingo**, Try out our new bingo at Holiday Estates I&II, 1445 Seagull Dr., Engwd. 1/22, E.B. 4:30pm Reg. 9pm. Food Available.  
**AYCE spaghetti**, w/Salad Bar \$8.00 - 5-7pm. MUSIC - Patsy & Majella - 6:30pm. Legion 113, 3436 Indiana Rd. Rotonda  
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**Table Tennis**, Englewood Sports Complex, 941-861-1980, 1-4p. \$2 to play!  
**Tuesday Cards**, Play 4 types of cards. Bring friends. Play games of your choice. Free. Englewood Hospital Café. 1:30-4:00 RSVP: 473-3919  
**Reading Buddies**, Practice reading with a volunteer. Ages 5-8. 3:30 Elsie Quirk Library, 100 W. Dearborn St., 861-5000

■ WEDNESDAY

**H2U – Walk 15 Class**, Movements w/music. All ages & fitness levels. Join us from 8:30-9:20 am. Suncoast Aud. 779 Medical Dr, \$4 RSVP: 473-3919  
**Yoga for Every Body**, Join us for stretching, balance, rejuvenation! M-W-F 9-10am Englewood Sports Complex \$5 Denise  
**Line Dancing**, 9:30 to 11:30 American Legion Post 113, 3436 Indiana Road Rotonda West. Phone Eve at 941 697 8733  
**Gentle Yoga**, Bring a mat and water for yoga at Lemon Bay Woman's Club, All levels. 51 N. Maple St. 10-11am, \$7, 810-223-8616.  
**Beginner Pickleball**, Englewood Sports Complex, 941-861-1980, 10:30-12:30p. \$2 to play!  
**Stroke Support Group**, Join our meeting for stroke survivors & caregivers. 11:30-1:00, 701A Medical Blvd, Englewood YMCA campus. RSVP 473-3919.  
**Euchre**, Euchre Every Mon & Wed @ 1:00 PM VFW Post 10178, 550 N McCall Rd. (941)474-7516 Come join us!  
**Intermed. Pickleball**, Englewood Sports Complex, 941-861-1980, 1-4p. \$2 to play!  
**Wed dine & dance**, Tacos, burritos, nachos, elkitos 5-7pm Music: Coastal Jamz 6-9pm Rotonda Elks, members & guests 697-2710  
**Zumba with Chantal**, Dance and work out to world music at Lemon Bay Woman's Club located at 51 N. Maple St, 6-7 pm, \$7.00. 941-445-1310

**Bunco**, Eagles, 6:30-9p, Social Game, \$5 100% Luck Easy to Learn, Meet People, Laugh, Prizes! 250 Old Englewod Road 941-474-9802  
**Speed Painter**, 6:30 pm, see www.paintedchrist.com, Donation, EU Methodist Church, 700 E Dearborn, 474-5588, www.Englewoodumc.net  
**Duo Romantic**, Ital Amer Club, Duo Romantic Singers, 1375 Ringling Dr., Venice, Members \$15 Guests \$20, Call Johanna 941-468-5013

■ THURSDAY

**Badminton**, Englewood Sports Complex, 941-861-1980, 9-12p. \$2 to play!  
**Crafty Ladies**, Handcrafted items every Thursdays 9-11:30am (except holidays). Oaks Cove, Gulf Cove UMC, 1100 McCall, PC. 697-5533  
**Nature Walk**, 1.5 mi hike G Smith Tr Myakka St Forest 2000 S River Rd Englewood 9-11 am Bill Dunson 276-233-6364 No Res Entry \$2  
**St Francis Bingo**, Doors open 9am Early Bird 10am reg Bingo 11am Refreshments available St Francis Parish Center, Placida Road 697-4899  
**Beg/Impvr Line Dance**, 9-30 to 11-30 American legion Post 113 3436 Indiana Road Rotonda West Phone Eve at 941 697 8733  
**Line Dance Club**, 9:30-11:30am, Christ Lutheran Church, 701 N Indiana Ave. Improver/intermed. line dances. Open to Public. Nancy 474-6027

NORTH PORT EVENTS

■ TODAY

**Basic Exercise**, \$3/class 9-10 AM NP Senior Center 4940 Pan American Blvd 426-2204 Join Brenda for a good workout & feel good.  
**Mahjongg**, 9 AM-12:30 PM NP Senior Center 4940 Pan American Blvd 426-2204 Learn something new. Looking for more players.  
**Woodcarving Club**, 12-3pm, VFW Post 8203, 4860 Trott Cir, North Port, FL 34287, 941-697-2002 meeting and carving -\$1  
**Duplicate Bridge**, \$3/ person 12:30-4:30 PM NP Senior Center 4940 Pan American Blvd Ella 429-8958 If you like bridge, bring a partner  
**FISH of North Port**, 1:00pm, 3050 Pan American. Visitors welcome, volunteers needed. Call Tim, 323-3547.  
**North Port Moose**, Queen is at 6! Dinner special is meatloaf! 14156 Tamiami trl North Port, 941-426-2126  
**AMVETS 312 Dinner**, Lunch 11:30-2:00 Dinner 5-7 Mexican Monday New cook Great food Public Welcome 7050 Chancellor Blvd NP 9410429-5403

■ TUESDAY

**Nature Walk**, 2.5 mi beach eco walk Stump Pass St Park 900 Gulf Blvd Englewood 9-11:30 am Charles Woodruff 914-799-0664 No res Park \$3

**Scrabble**, 9:30-11:30 am NP Senior Center 4940 Pan American Blvd 426-2204 If you like scrabble come join in.  
**Mahjongg**, 10 Am-2 pm NP Senior Center 4940 Pan American Blvd 426-2204 Learn something new. Looking for more players.  
**Friend to Friend**, Fellowship and fun every Tuesday from 1-3pm. Noon luncheon on 4th Tuesday. Gulf Cove UMC, 1100 McCall, PC. 697-1747  
**Line Dancing**, \$5/class 12:15-2:15pm NP Senior Center 4940 Pan American Blvd Joan 661-3799 Learn new steps & have fun. Great exercise  
**NPPW Monthly Meeting**, Open Mic Poetry, 1:30 pm, Jan 23, 13800 S. Tamiami Trail, North Port, FL  
**Prayer Shawl Group**, NPCUCC, 3450 S. Biscayne, Jan 23, 2-3:30pm, knitters/crochetters welcome, call 423-5618, Nancy, yarn provided  
**Bingo**, \$5/20 games \$1 per overall 3-5:30pm NP Senior Center 4940 Pan American Blvd 426-2204 Come join the fun!  
**North Port Moose**, Taco Tuesday! Moose legion meeting at 530 and lodge meeting at 7! Get involved with your local Moose Club!  
**AMVETS 312 Dinner**, Lunch 11:30-2:00 Dinner 5-7 Country Night New cook Great food public welcome 7050 Chancellor Blvd NP 941-429-5403

**Youth Boxing**, 6 p.m. Tues/Thurs. Morgan Center. USA Boxing. Work ethic. Fundamentals. Ages 8-17. 239-292-9230. \$10.

■ WEDNESDAY

**Pork-Cookies-Crafts**, Fri 2/9, 11a-7p. Pulled pork & extras, \$10 tickets in ofc. Cookies \$5. Crafts. Gulf Cove UMC, 1100 McCall, PC. 697-1747  
**Basic Exercise**, \$3/class 9-10 AM NP Senior Center 4940 Pan American Blvd 426-2204 Join Brenda for a good workout & feel good.  
**Ham Radio Club**, North Port Amateur Radio Club, Coffee Break. All Welcome. North Port Abbe's Doughnuts 9:15AM come & have coffee 888-2980  
**Hand & Foot**, 12-3 pm NP Senior Center 4940 Pan American Blvd 426-2204 Easy to learn and lots of fun.  
**Parkinson's Boxing**, NeuroChallenge Foundation endorsed. 6207 W. Price Blvd. NP. Wed. 1-2 at Morgan Center. \$10. 239-292-9230.  
**Pinochle**, \$1.50/person 3:30-6:30 PM NP Senior Center 4940 Pan American Blvd Pat Lucia 257-8358 Join others who like the game  
**AMVETS 312 Dinner**, Lunch 11:30-2:00 Dinner 5-7 Steak Night, New cook Great food Public welcome 7050 Chancellor Blvd NP 941-429-5403

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# Stella McCartney hopes fashion can have a 'Me Too' moment

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Designer Stella McCartney is ready to see the Me Too movement sweeping Hollywood make its way to the runways.

"It's about time the fashion industry spoke up a little more," said McCartney during an interview Tuesday at a Los Angeles concert event showcasing her autumn collection.

"We are nearly 80 percent women in the company, but I also like men. So I'm a big believer in equality," said the British designer, who wore black to support the sexual misconduct defense initiative Time's Up.

Katy Perry, Christina Aguilera, Emma Roberts, Kate Hudson and Goldie Hawn were among the starry guest list.

"She just gives me the pallet and I paint with it and tonight I'm red!" said Perry while making her way into the party wearing a ruffled, flowy frock.

It was a family affair with Paul McCartney walking the red carpet before performing for the fashionable crowd.

The elder McCartney told reporters he was "super proud" of daughter Stella and joked that she got her sense of style from his former Beatles bandmate, Ringo Starr, who was also in attendance.

McCartney joined the band Muse onstage for Beatles' hits like "I Saw Her Standing There" and "Helter Skelter." Other performers included St. Vincent and Beck



Katy Perry arrives at the Stella McCartney Autumn 2018 Presentation on Tuesday, Jan. 16, 2018, in Los Angeles.



Goldie Hawn and Kate Hudson arrive at the Stella McCartney Autumn 2018 Presentation on Tuesday, Jan. 16, 2018, in Los Angeles.



Paul McCartney and Ringo Starr arrive at the Stella McCartney Autumn 2018 Presentation on Tuesday, Jan. 16, 2018, in Los Angeles.



Olivia Munn arrives at the Stella McCartney Autumn 2018 Presentation on Tuesday, Jan. 16, 2018, in Los Angeles.

featuring the Compton Kidz Club choir.

Models were perched around the event space accentuating the rock concert setting with faded denim, funky animal prints and cozy sweaters. A neon Time's Up sign welcomed guests to Hollywood's S.I.R. Studios.

Sheer French lace showed up on slinky pastel slip dresses, sleeves and

tracksuits. Leopard print ran throughout and a cinched-waist jumpsuit mixed red chevron with stripes. McCartney's men's line included preppy polo shirts and V-neck sweaters matched with patterned overcoats and relaxed track pants or jeans.

"It's approachable," said McCartney of the collection. "Naturally confident, naturally sexy and modern."



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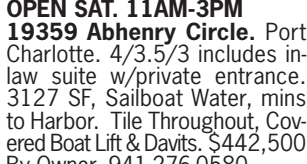
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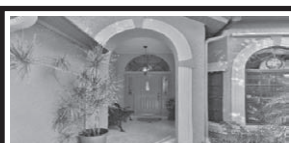
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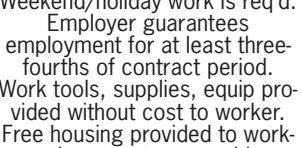
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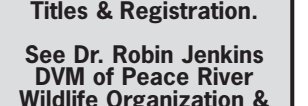
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## SHUTDOWN: DAY 2

# Shutdown enters Day 2 amid blame game on both sides

By **KEVIN FREKING**  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump's budget director is holding out hope that feuding Democrats and Republicans in Congress can reach a short-term spending agreement before the start of the workweek Monday, but he worries that the government shutdown could last for several more days if progress remains elusive.

Democratic lawmakers challenged the president to get more involved and to accept bipartisan compromise as a way out of a federal shutdown that entered its second day Sunday amid finger-pointing from both parties as to who bears primary responsibility.

"I really do believe that at heart here there was an interest by some folks in the Democratic Party to deny the president sort of the victory lap of the anniversary of his inauguration, the chance to talk about the success of the tax bill, the success of the economy and jobs," budget director Mick Mulvaney said on "Fox News Sunday."

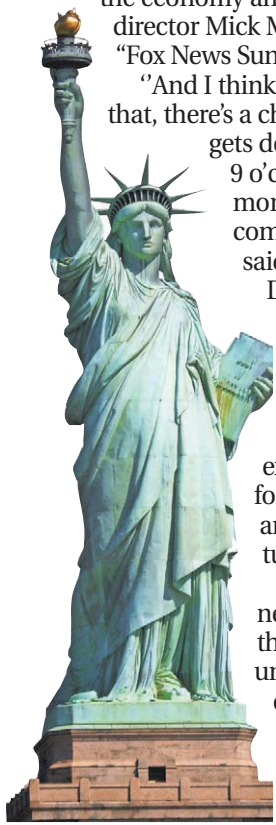
"And I think if they get over that, there's a chance this thing gets done before

9 o'clock on Monday morning when folks come to work," he said.

Democratic lawmakers counter that the president hurt negotiations by initially expressing support for a compromise and then abruptly turning it away.

"How can you negotiate with the president under those circumstances where he agrees face-to-face to

**SHUTDOWN | 4**



AP PHOTOS

**Afghan security personnel stand guard as smoke rises from the Intercontinental Hotel after an attack in Kabul, Afghanistan, Sunday. Gunmen stormed the hotel in the Afghan capital on Saturday evening, triggering a shootout with security forces, officials said.**

# Taliban siege on Afghan hotel ends after 13 hours, 18 dead

By **RAHIM FAIEZ**  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

KABUL, Afghanistan — A Taliban assault on the Intercontinental Hotel in Afghanistan's capital killed at least 18 people, including 14 foreigners, and pinned security forces down for more than 13 hours before the last attacker was slain Sunday. The casualty toll expected to rise.

The heavily guarded luxury hotel is popular among foreigners and Afghan officials. Interior Ministry spokesman Najib Danish said the 18 killed included 14 foreigners and a telecommunications official from western Farah province who was attending a conference.

Danish said 11 of the 14 foreigners killed were employees of KamAir, a private Afghan airline. KamAir also put out a statement saying some of their flights were disrupted because of the attack.

One Ukrainian citizen was killed in

the attack, according to Vasyl Kyrylych, a spokesman for the Ukrainian Foreign Ministry. His brief statement on Twitter did not provide further details. Afghan officials did not identify the foreigner killed in the attack.

Ten other people, including six from the security forces, were reported wounded and more than 150 people, including 41 foreigners, were rescued from the hotel, Danish said.

The Taliban claimed the attack, which began around 9 p.m. Saturday, saying five gunmen armed with suicide vests targeted foreigners and Afghan officials. Taliban spokesman Zabihullah Mujahid said the insurgents initially planned to attack the hotel Thursday night but postponed the assault because there was a wedding underway and they wanted to avoid civilian casualties.



**U.S. forces arrive near the Intercontinental Hotel after an attack in Kabul, Afghanistan, Sunday.**

The attack unfolded almost six years after Taliban insurgents launched a similar assault on the property, which is not part of the Intercontinental

**HOTEL | 4**

# Jordan urges Pence to 'rebuild trust' after Jerusalem pivot

By **KEN THOMAS**  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

AMMAN, Jordan — Jordan's king appealed Sunday to U.S. Vice President Mike Pence to "rebuild trust and confidence" in the possibility of a two-state solution to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, following fallout from the Trump administration's decision to recognize Jerusalem as Israel's capital.

Pence, in turn, tried to reassure the monarch that the Trump administration remains committed to restarting Israeli-Palestinian peace efforts and views Jordan as a central player.

The vice president also said that "the United States of America remains

committed, if the parties agree, to a two state solution." Such a caveat deviates from long-standing U.S. support for a two-state solution as the only possible outcome of any peace deal.

Trump's pivot on Jerusalem last month infuriated the Palestinians, who seek the Israeli-annexed eastern sector of the city as a future capital. They accused the U.S. of siding with Israel and said Washington can no longer serve as a mediator.

Jerusalem is the emotional centerpiece of the long-running conflict, and Trump's policy shift set off protests and condemnation across Arab and Muslim countries.

It posed a dilemma

for Abdullah, who is a staunch U.S. ally, but also derives his political legitimacy in large part from the Hashemite dynasty's role as guardian of a key Muslim site in Jerusalem. Any perceived threat to Muslim claims in the city is seen as a challenge to Jordan, where a large segment of the population is of Palestinian origin.

Pence told Jordan's monarch on Sunday that Trump made it clear in his announcement on Jerusalem "that we are committed to continue to respect Jordan's role as the custodian of holy sites, that we take no position on boundaries and final status."

He said Jordan would

**PENCE | 4**



AP PHOTO

**U.S. Vice President Mike Pence and his wife Karen disembark the plane upon his arrival at Amman military airport, Jordan, Saturday.**

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# FINANCIAL

## No cash businesses?

Dear Dave, What is your opinion of businesses that no longer accept cash?

— Heath



Dave Ramsey

### When can I have some fun?

Dear Dave, At what point can you spend, and have a little fun, when you're following the Baby Steps plan?

— Jen

Dear Jen, Everyone likes having fun, and there's nothing wrong with spending some cash if you can afford it. I just want people to make sure they have their finances in order first.

I recommend completing the first three Baby Steps before you run out and buy a bunch of toys. Just to review, Baby Step 1 is saving \$1,000 for a starter emergency fund. Baby Step 2 is where you pay off all debt — except for your home — using the debt snowball method. In Baby Step 3, you go back and fully fund your emergency fund with enough cash to cover three to six

months of expenses.

Completing the first three Baby Steps puts you on pretty solid financial ground. At this point, once you've saved up the cash, it's okay to take a vacation or buy a reasonably-priced toy. But don't have so much fun that you forget about the other Baby Steps. Baby Step 4 means putting 15 percent of your income into pre-tax retirement plans, like mutual funds and Roth IRAs. Don't neglect saving for college if you have kids. That's Baby Step 5. Baby Steps 6 and 7 are paying off the house early, and building wealth and giving like never before.

Remember, there are only three things you can do with money — spend, save, and give. You can do all three without putting yourself in a bind by following my plan!

— Dave

*Dave Ramsey is CEO of Ramsey Solutions. He has authored seven best-selling books, including The Total Money Makeover. The Dave Ramsey Show is heard by more than 13 million listeners each week on 585 radio stations and multiple digital platforms. Follow Dave on the web at daveramsey.com and on Twitter at @DaveRamsey.*

## FINANCIAL NEWS BRIEFS

### Commercial rocket from New Zealand deploys small satellites

WELLINGTON, New Zealand (AP) — A rocket launched from New Zealand on Sunday successfully reached orbit carrying small commercial satellites. California-based company Rocket Lab said its Electron rocket, which carries only a small payload of about 331 pounds, successfully deployed an earth imaging and two other satellites for weather and ship tracking after blastoff from the Mahia Peninsula on North Island's east coast.

Company CEO and founder Peter Beck, a New Zealander, said the launch marks the beginning of a new era in commercial access to space. He said that deploying customer payloads on a second test flight "is almost unprecedented."

The company last May reached space with its first test launch, only to abort the mission due to a communication glitch. It has official approval to conduct three test launches and sees an emerging market in delivering small devices, some as big as a smartphone, into orbit.

The satellites would be used for everything from monitoring crops to providing internet service.

### Shutdown divides services into essential and non-essential

WASHINGTON (AP) — Closed attractions like the Statue of Liberty and suspended services such as the American Forces Network are examples of victims of the government shutdown.

Federal services fall into two categories during a shutdown, essential and non-essential. Essential services such as the mail and Social Security checks continue. Non-essential services like processing of new veterans benefits claims are suspended until funding is restored.

The air traffic control system stays up and running, as do the FBI, Customs and Border Protection and veterans hospitals. Active-duty troops will stay at their posts during a shutdown. But those serving abroad and expecting the American Forces Network to broadcast radio and television programming will miss

the NFL playoffs. Almost half the 2 million civilian federal workers will be barred from doing their jobs.

### Bank says executive is gone; no comment on harassment probe

NEW YORK (AP) — Bank of America has confirmed a high-profile senior executive has left the company, but it won't comment on reports of an investigation into sexual harassment allegations.

A spokesman for Charlotte, North Carolina-based Bank of America Corp. says Omeed Malik is no longer an employee, effective the week of Jan. 8.

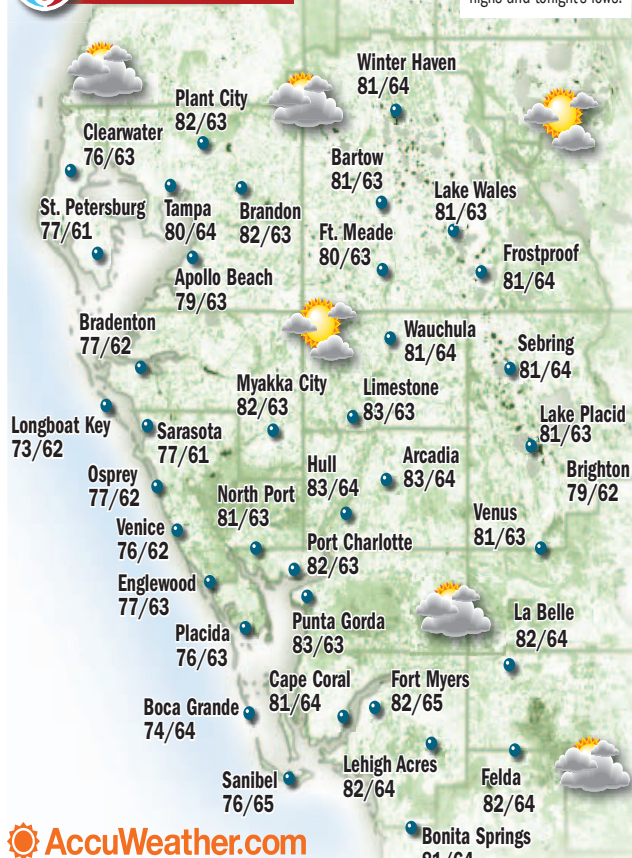
The New York Times reported Friday that Malik left after a female analyst complained of inappropriate sexual conduct. The newspaper cites unidentified people at the bank who were briefed on the investigation but were not authorized to speak publicly.

The Times says it could not reach Malik or his lawyer, Mark Lerner, for comment. The Associated Press left messages for an attorney named Mark Lerner who specializes in employment law.

## TODAY / TONIGHT TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY

Weather forecast cards for Today/Tonight, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday. Includes high/low temperatures and chance of rain.

56° GULF WATER TEMPERATURE. Shows is today's weather. Temperatures are today's highs and tonight's lows.



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### PORT CHARLOTTE

Port Charlotte through 2 p.m. Sunday

**Temperatures**  
High/Low 79°/57°  
Normal High/Low 75°/52°  
Record High 88° (1990)  
Record Low 27° (1985)

**Precipitation** (in inches)  
24 hours through 2 p.m. Sun. 0.00"  
Month to date 0.21"  
Normal month to date 1.16"  
Year to date 0.21"  
Normal year to date 1.16"  
Record 1.04" (1988)

### MONTHLY RAINFALL

Month	2018	2017	Avg. Record/Year
Jan.	0.21	0.88	1.80 9.93/2016
Feb.	0.94	2.52	11.05/1983
Mar.	0.80	3.28	5.26/1970
Apr.	1.59	2.03	9.80/1994
May	2.74	2.50	9.45/1991
Jun.	14.79	8.92	23.99/1974
Jul.	9.02	8.22	14.22/1995
Aug.	13.12	8.01	15.60/1995
Sep.	12.46	6.84	14.03/1979
Oct.	2.54	2.93	10.88/1995
Nov.	0.44	1.91	5.53/2002
Dec.	1.04	1.78	6.83/2002
<b>Year</b>	<b>0.21</b>	<b>60.36</b>	<b>50.74</b> (since 1931)

Totals are from a 24-hour period ending at 5 p.m.

### VENICE

Venice through 2 p.m. Sunday

**Temperatures**  
High/Low 82°/57°  
Normal High/Low 72°/51°  
Record High 84° (2006)  
Record Low 27° (1985)

**Precipitation** (in inches)  
24 hours through 2 p.m. Sun. 0.00"  
Month to date 0.60"  
Normal month to date 1.68"  
Year to date 0.60"  
Record 1.04" (1988)

### SEBRING

Sebring through 2 p.m. Sunday

**Temperatures**  
High/Low 77°/56°

**Precipitation** (in inches)  
24 hours through 2 p.m. Sun. 0.00"

### AIRPORT

Possible weather-related delays today. Check with your airline for the most updated schedules.

	Hi/Lo	Outlook	Delays
Ft. Myers	82/65	part cldy	none
Punta Gorda	83/63	part cldy	none
Sarasota	77/61	part cldy	none

### FLORIDA CITIES

City	Today	Tue.
Apalachicola	68 55 c	65 42 pc
Bradenton	77 62 c	71 54 sh
Clearwater	76 63 pc	70 52 c
Coral Springs	79 67 c	81 65 t
Daytona Beach	75 61 pc	73 47 sh
Fort Lauderdale	77 68 c	79 64 t
Fort Myers	82 65 pc	80 60 c
Gainesville	78 59 pc	70 41 c
Jacksonville	77 61 c	72 41 c
Key Largo	77 70 c	78 68 sh
Key West	75 68 pc	75 65 c
Lakeland	80 63 c	75 52 sh
Melbourne	78 63 pc	77 58 sh
Miami	80 70 c	82 67 t
Naples	79 64 pc	76 60 c
Ocala	80 60 pc	72 43 c
Okeechobee	78 61 pc	79 59 pc
Orlando	80 63 pc	76 52 sh
Panama City	70 51 c	65 42 pc
Pensacola	69 46 t	62 39 pc
Pompano Beach	79 69 c	80 65 t
St. Augustine	70 59 pc	69 42 c
St. Petersburg	77 61 pc	70 52 c
Sarasota	77 61 pc	71 53 c
Tallahassee	72 58 c	67 41 c
Tampa	80 64 pc	73 52 c
Vero Beach	77 63 pc	78 60 sh
West Palm Beach	78 68 pc	79 64 t

### CONDITIONS TODAY

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### POLLEN INDEX

Pollen Index readings as of Sunday

Trees: absent  
Grass: absent  
Weeds: absent  
Molds: absent

absent low moderate high very high

Source: National Allergy Bureau

### AIR QUALITY INDEX

Air Quality Index readings as of Sunday

35

0-50 Good; 51-100 Moderate; 101-150 Unhealthy for sensitive groups; 151-200 Unhealthy; 201-300 Very Unhealthy; 301-500 Hazardous

Main pollutant: Ozone

Source: ssgov.net

### TIDES

Punta Gorda	Today	Tue.
High	5:33a	12:06a
Low	6:52p	12:49p

SE 6-12 1-2 Light

### SUN AND MOON

	Rise	Set
The Sun Today	7:18 a.m.	6:02 p.m.
The Sun Tuesday	7:18 a.m.	6:03 p.m.
The Moon Today	10:49 a.m.	11:09 p.m.
The Moon Tuesday	11:26 a.m.	none

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### SOLUNAR TABLE

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Today	9:42a	3:31a	10:05p	3:54p
Tue.	10:32a	4:21a	10:55p	4:44p
Wed.	11:22a	5:10a	11:46p	5:34p

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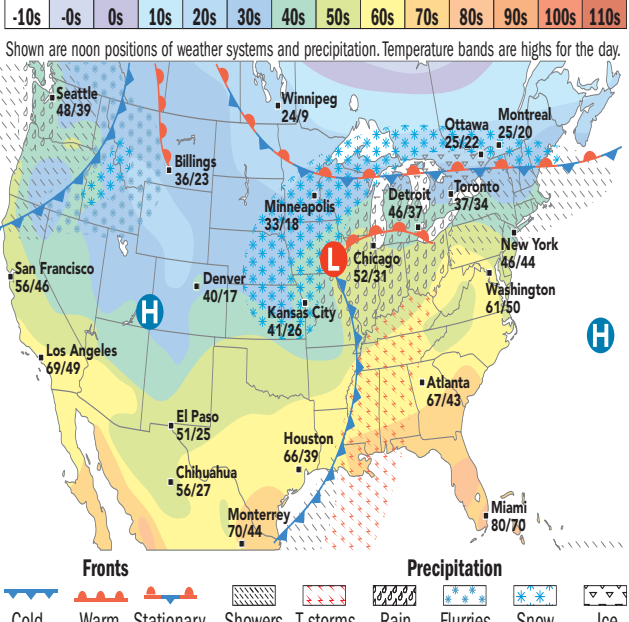
### WEATHER HISTORY

A record 17.4-inch snowfall fell on Jan. 22, 1902, in Buffalo, N.Y.

### WEATHER TRIVIA™

Q: Do all snowflakes have six sides?  
A: Yes. This is due to the structure of a water molecule.

## THE NATION



### U.S. EXTREMES

(For the 48 contiguous states yesterday)

High	Low
82° at Venice, FL	-18° at West Yellowstone, MT

### WORLD CITIES

City	Today	Tue.
Albuquerque	43 20 pc	47 21 s
Anchorage	13 7 c	9 1 sn
Atlanta	67 43 t	54 33 s
Baltimore	60 48 pc	60 33 r
Billings	36 23 pc	36 24 pc
Birmingham	65 39 t	53 29 s
Boise	44 27 r	45 37 c
Boston	40 38 r	53 36 r
Buffalo	45 43 sh	45 23 cf
Burlington, VT	33 27 sn	44 26 r
Charleston, WV	67 47 c	47 31 pc
Charlotte	63 54 c	60 30 s
Chicago	52 31 r	33 22 sf
Cincinnati	55 37 r	39 28 sn
Cleveland	55 42 r	43 27 sf
Columbia, SC	70 60 pc	66 35 pc
Columbus, OH	59 38 r	41 31 sf
Concord, NH	37 29 sh	47 32 r
Dallas	62 36 s	62 36 s
Denver	40 17 pc	36 17 s
Des Moines	44 25 sn	34 24 pc
Detroit	46 37 r	39 24 sf
Duluth	24 8 sf	19 8 pc
Fairbanks	-11 26 c	-21 37 t
Fargo	26 12 c	-21 27 pc
Hartford	40 35 r	53 33 r
Helena	30 14 c	29 16 pc
Honolulu	82 72 c	83 72 pc
Houston	66 39 s	63 37 s
Indianapolis	53 33 r	35 26 sf

City	Today	Tue.
Amsterdam	48 41 r	50 47 sh
Baghdad	66 48 pc	69 45 pc
Beijing	28 8 sn	25 5 s
Berlin	34 30 c	40 36 c
Buenos Aires	88 69 c	91 64 c
Cairo	69 59 s	66 55 pc
Calgary	37 18 pc	33 18 pc
Cancun	82 71 sh	81 72 sh
Dublin	48 45 c	54 40 sh
Edmonton	32 15 pc	30 11 pc
Halifax	25 18 c	42 39 sn
Kiev	24 9 sn	19 7 pc
London	50 42 pc	56 52 sh
Madrid	57 35 s	61 36 pc

## NATION

# Appeals court to hear arguments on DC sniper's sentence

By DENISE LAVOIE

AP LEGAL AFFAIRS WRITER

RICHMOND, Va. — Bob Meyers doesn't want partial justice for his brother. He wants full justice. And to him, that means leaving D.C. sniper Lee Boyd Malvo's sentence just the way it is: life in prison, with no chance of ever getting out.

A federal judge has given a glimmer of hope to Malvo, who was 17 when he was arrested in the random shootings that killed 10 people and wounded three in and around the nation's capital.

The judge ruled that Malvo is entitled to new sentencing hearings, now that the U.S. Supreme Court has made its ban on mandatory life-without-parole for juvenile offenders retroactive, extending it to people who were already sentenced before it ruled that such punishments are unconstitutional.

Virginia Attorney General Mark Herring's appeal is scheduled for Tuesday before the 4th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Richmond.

The possibility of something less than a life sentence does not sit well with Meyers.

His brother, Dean, was fatally gunned down as he put gas in his car at a service station in

northern Virginia.

"Nothing's changed," Meyers said. "The crime hasn't become diminished ... and if the sentence was appropriate initially and that was viewed as justice for Dean, is it three-quarters justice for Dean if they modify it?"

The shootings in Virginia, Maryland and the District of Columbia paralyzed the region with fear in 2002. People were shot doing everyday things — mowing the lawn, pumping gas, loading purchases into their cars. Schools canceled outdoor activities, gas stations put up tarps to hide their customers and government buildings in D.C. were given increased security.

Malvo's accomplice was John Allen Muhammad, widely viewed as the mastermind of the deadly rampage. He was executed in Virginia in 2009.

A Virginia jury convicted Malvo of capital murder for killing FBI analyst Linda Franklin, who was shot in the head outside a Home Depot store, but spared him the death penalty. Malvo later struck plea deals in other cases in Virginia and Maryland. He ultimately received four life sentences in Virginia and six in Maryland.

Malvo's attorney, Craig Cooley, argues that he is

entitled to a new sentencing under the Supreme Court ruling because jurors were told to choose between the death penalty and life without parole, with no lesser option. The jury unanimously rejected the death penalty and sentenced him to life.

Cooley also argues that Malvo, now 32, should get new hearings to assess what sentence would be appropriate after taking into account his youth at the time and other factors. Cooley said that since his arrest, Malvo has "separated from his psychological domination by John Muhammad" and become an accomplished poet and sketch artist.

"Mr. Malvo as a person has returned to the kind, thoughtful, articulate, and compassionate being he was in his youth," Cooley wrote in a legal brief.

Other former teen offenders are still waiting for a chance at resentencing in states and counties slow to address the court ruling, an Associated Press investigation found. In Michigan, for example, prosecutors are seeking new no-parole sentences for nearly two-thirds of 363 juvenile lifers. Those cases are on hold until the Michigan Supreme Court, which heard arguments in October, determines whether



AP FILE PHOTO

In this Oct. 26, 2004, file photo, Lee Boyd Malvo enters a courtroom in the Spotsylvania, Va., Circuit Court. A federal appeals court is set to hear arguments Tuesday, in a case focusing on the life sentences given to D.C. sniper Malvo.

judges or juries should decide their fates.

Some courts are applying the 2016 ruling to inmates whose life-without-parole sentences weren't mandatory, like Malvo's, or were negotiated as part of a plea deal.

If the 4th Circuit rules against the state, Malvo may still not get a reduced sentence. The court could, for example, order a different sentencing procedure that could result in a re-imposition of a life sentence. Jonathan Turley, a law

professor at George Washington University, said the chances of Malvo getting a lower sentence are slim.

"Malvo pleaded guilty to horrendous offenses," Turley said. "There are many juveniles who can make strong claims under this new precedent for lower sentences. Malvo just doesn't happen to be one of them."

"For Malvo, it's like defusing nine out of 10 bombs. In the end, unless you can defuse all 10, the result is pretty much the same."

## Assistant police chief fired for racist messages

ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — Court documents have revealed what ended the 25-year law enforcement career of an assistant police chief in the Louisville suburb of Prospect, Kentucky.

Media outlets report that acting Chief Todd Shaw sent what Jefferson County Attorney Mike O'Connell calls "highly disturbing racist and threatening Facebook messages" to a Louisville police recruit who had sought his advice. Among other things, Shaw advised the recruit to shoot black kids caught smoking marijuana, and then sexually assault their parents.

Shaw's lawyer, Michael Burns, says he was just "playing" with these and other messages.

"Mr. Shaw held a distinguished career in law enforcement for nearly 30 years," Burns said. "Throughout his career, he treated all people fairly and respectfully regardless of their race."

In another message, Shaw, who is white, disparaged the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr., calling him a racist womanizer, and saying "because someone shot him, I get a day off with pay each year."

Shaw resigned in November after his boss presented him with the messages. O'Connell said Shaw sent the private Facebook messages in September and October 2016.

A judge ordered the evidence released last week. Media outlets had requested the messages under the state Open Records Act. Shaw had sought to keep them secret.

Prospect Mayor John Evans said "the city finds the content of the messages to be abhorrent, disgusting and reprehensible."

Shaw spent five years with Prospect police and worked for more than 20 years with the Louisville Metro Police Department. The messages were found during a separate investigation into allegations of sex abuse in a Louisville police mentoring program. Two other former Louisville police officers have been charged in that case.

Louisville Police Chief Steve Conrad said he was disgusted by Shaw's messages and that "any person who holds these thoughts has no business ever donning a uniform and representing those who have sworn to serve every member of every community.

"These actions spit in the face of the determined effort hundreds of thousands of law enforcement officers put forth to build trust and legitimacy in the communities they serve," the chief said.

## NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

### New York state will pay to keep the Statue of Liberty open during shutdown

NEW YORK — The Statue of Liberty will reopen Monday after the New York state agreed to pay to reopen it, Gov. Andrew Cuomo said Sunday.

The statue was site closed by the federal government shutdown.

"It's going to be open and running as normal," Cuomo said at a news conference in a lower Manhattan park overlooking the statue. "We will pay to keep the Statue of Liberty open every day."

The statue was among the national monuments and parks that closed after Congress failed Friday night to pass legislation to keep the government funded.

Cuomo said the state had reached an agreement with the federal Department of Interior so New York can pay for the federal employees who operate Liberty Island. The cost is about \$65,000 a day.

"That is an economic problem for the State of New York. Tourism is very big business here in the city and the state and when the Statue of Liberty closes, it disrupts many tourists' plans," Cuomo said.

### Same-sex active-duty couple marries at West Point

WEST POINT, N.Y. (AP) — Two Army captains who met at West Point returned there to be married, in what is believed to be the first same-sex marriage of active-duty personnel at the storied New York military academy.

The New York Times reported Captains Daniel Hall, 30, and Vincent Franchino, 26, both Apache helicopter pilots stationed at Fort Bliss in El Paso, Texas, were married at West Point's Cadet Chapel on Jan. 13.

The men met at the school in August 2009, when Franchino was a freshman and Hall was a senior. Their first date was in February 2012 in Washington, some months after the "don't ask, don't tell" policy was repealed in September 2011.

That policy, in place since

1993, barred any gay person from disclosing their sexual orientation or talking about any same-sex relationship.

"It's really frustrating when two people have feelings for each other but are not allowed to act on them," Hall said. "We were serving under a policy that was telling all of us — perfectly capable soldiers, sailors, airmen and marines — to lie about ourselves."

The men wore their uniforms during the ceremony, and left the chapel under an arch made up of sabers held aloft by several of their guests. They also used Hall's officer saber, a graduation gift from his grandparents, to cut the cake.

### California highway swamped by deadly mudslides reopens

SANTA BARBARA, Calif. (AP) — California transportation officials say a key coastal highway swamped by deadly mudslides has reopened after a nearly two-week closure that caused traffic headaches across the region.

Jim Shivers, a spokesman for the Department of Transportation, says traffic began moving again on U.S. 101 near Montecito shortly after noon on Sunday. Officials had previously promised that the highway would be open again in time for the Monday morning commute.

All lanes were inundated Jan. 9 when a powerful storm brought down boulders and trees from hillsides made bare by last month's wildfires.

At least 21 people were killed and hundreds of homes were destroyed or damaged.

### Dozens of flights canceled at Denver airport due to storm

DENVER (AP) — Officials say about 190 flights have been canceled at Denver International Airport as a winter storm moves through Colorado.

Airport officials say passengers should check directly with their airline for information on delays or cancellations on Sunday.

The Federal Aviation Administration also is using a ground delay to space out

planes arriving at the Denver airport. Airport officials say those delays are averaging about 2.5 hours.

Crews began working overnight to treat the airport's surfaces and officials said the airfield was in good condition. But officials said blowing snow and low visibility is a concern as winds pick up speed.

### TV meteorologist who helped launch the Weather Channel dies

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Joe Coleman, who co-founded the Weather Channel and was the original meteorologist on ABC's "Good Morning America" during a six-decade broadcasting career, has died. He was 83.

His wife, Linda Coleman, told The Associated Press her husband died Saturday night at home in Las Vegas. She did not give a cause.

The Texas native got his first TV job while still a student at the University of Illinois. Coleman worked at several local stations in the Midwest before joining "GMA" when it launched in 1975.

He served as CEO of the Weather Channel for about a year after helping launch it in 1981.

Coleman went on to join KUSI-TV in San Diego, where he spent 20 years as weatherman for its morning show before retiring in 2014.

### Average US gas price jumps 4 cents to \$2.58 for regular

CAMARILLO, Calif. (AP) — The average price of a gallon of regular-grade gasoline jumped 4 cents nationally over the past two weeks to \$2.58.

Industry analyst Trilby Lundberg of the Lundberg Survey said Sunday that the increase is due to higher crude oil costs.

The current gas price is 22 cents above where it was a year ago.

Gas in San Francisco was the highest in the contiguous United States at an average of \$3.26 a gallon. The lowest was in Tucson, Arizona, at \$2.16 a gallon.

The U.S. average diesel price is \$2.99, up 5 cents from two weeks ago.

### Leaders to meet with white separatist town official in Maine

PORTLAND, Maine (AP) — Leaders in a Maine town say they will meet with their town manager, who has come under fire for espousing white separatist views.

Jackman town manager Tom Kawczynski recently made public comments bashing Islam and calling for preservation of white European heritage in northern New England.

Local officials are scheduled to meet with him on Tuesday morning. Town lawyer Warren Shay said Sunday the town manager's beliefs aren't shared by Jackman officials and "do not reflect the beliefs of the townspeople in general."

Kawczynski didn't return phone calls from The Associated Press.

The Jackman-Moose River Chamber of Commerce president says businesses in the area "do not condone" Kawczynski's views.

Many social media users are calling for Kawczynski to quit or be fired.

### Debate vigorous as Rockwell town mulls Main Street changes

STOCKBRIDGE, Mass. (AP) — Residents in Norman Rockwell's hometown in western Massachusetts have a colorful debate on their hands — whether to change the bucolic look of downtown to improve traffic safety.

The iconic artist lived in Stockbridge for 25 years until his death in 1978.

The Berkshire Eagle reports discussion in town about installing a traffic circle, rotary or roundabout next to the historic Red Lion Inn has been vigorous and there is substantial opposition to any such multimillion dollar project.

Many residents agree that safety at the intersection is a concern during the tourist season. Officials say there were 10 accidents and numerous close calls there last year.

A town meeting is scheduled Monday to ask voters to approve up to \$15,000 for new traffic study of Main Street.

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**Director of the Office of Management and Budget Mick Mulvaney speaks with reporters at the White House, Saturday, in Washington.**



**Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., walks to his office after speaking on the senate floor Saturday, at Capitol Hill in Washington.**



**Sen. Cory Booker D-N.J., speaks during a rally in support of the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA), and to avoid the government shutdown on Capitol Hill, Friday, in Washington.**

## SHUTDOWN

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move forward with a certain path and then within two hours calls back and pulls the plug?" said Sen. Dick Durbin, D-Ill., on ABC's "This Week."

Four Republicans opposed the House-passed plan. The measure gained 50 votes to proceed to 49 against, but 60 were needed to break a Democratic filibuster. One of the senators who voted against it, Republican Rand Paul of Kentucky, said he is opposed to short-term fiscal bills and called the blame game "ridiculous on both sides."

"It's gamesmanship and it's partisanship," Paul said.

Paul said the answer to solving the brinksmanship is to guarantee Democrats in writing that they'll get their debate on immigration issues.

Durbin said bipartisan conversations are taking place and lawmakers from both sides are "in good faith trying to find common ground and put this behind us."

"But at the end of the day, the president has to step up and lead in this situation," Durbin said.

Lawmakers are participating in rare weekend proceedings in both the House and Senate, where lawmakers were eager to show voters they were actively working for a solution — or at least actively making their case why the other party was at fault. The scene highlighted the political stakes for both parties in an election-year shutdown whose consequences are far from clear.

Democrats refused to provide the votes needed to reopen the government until they strike a deal with Trump protecting young immigrants from deportation, providing disaster relief and boosting spending for opioid treatment and other domestic programs.

The shutdown began Saturday on the anniversary of Trump's inauguration. As lawmakers bickered in the Capitol, protesters marched outside in a reprise of the women's march from a year ago. The president remained



AP PHOTOS

**Tourists ride the Staten Island Ferry to get a view of the Statue of Liberty, Sunday in New York. The statue is closed due to the government shutdown.**

out of sight and canceled plans to travel to his resort in Florida for the weekend. He did tweet, making light of the timing by saying Democrats "wanted to give me a nice present" to mark the start of his second year in office.

Tempers were short and theatrics high on Saturday at the Capitol.

Republicans blamed the breakdown on Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer, D-N.Y. Democrats increasingly focused their messaging on criticizing Trump, whose popularity is dismal. Democrats were using his zigzagging stance in immigration talks — first encouraging deals, then rejecting them — to underscore his first, chaotic year in office.

"Negotiating with President Trump is like negotiating with Jell-O," Schumer said.

Short compared Democrats' actions to "a 2-year-old temper tantrum."

Republicans seemed content to hope additional Democrats will break as pressure builds and the impact of the shutdown becomes clearer. GOP lawmakers argued that Democrats were blocking extra Pentagon money by keeping

government closed and thwarting a long-term budget deal.

But pressure on Republicans could mount when the new business week begins and the impact becomes more apparent to the public.

The Statue of Liberty and Philadelphia's Liberty Bell were closed, but visitors had access to other sites such as Yellowstone. Interior Secretary Ryan Zinke tweeted a photo of him talking to students at the World War II Memorial in Washington, blocks from the White House.

Social Security and most other safety-net programs were unaffected by the lapse in federal spending authority. Critical government functions continued, with uniformed service members, health inspectors and law enforcement officers set to work without pay.

Mulvaney said that if the shutdown continues into Monday, there were three categories of federal employees affected: those who will continue to come to work, another group that will come to work for about four hours "to help shut things down" and those who will not come to work at all.

## PENCE

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continue to play a central role in any future peace efforts.

The vice president also praised Jordan's contribution to a U.S.-led military campaign against Islamic State extremists who in recent months were pushed back from large areas in Iraq and Syria, both neighbors of Jordan.

Abdullah expressed concerns about the regional fallout from the Jerusalem decision.

"Today we have a major challenge to overcome, especially with some of the rising frustrations," he said. He described the Pence visit as a mission "to rebuild trust and confidence" in

getting to a two-state solution, in which a state of Palestine would be established in the West Bank, Gaza Strip and east Jerusalem, lands Israel captured in 1967.

Another cause of concern for Jordan is the Trump administration's decision to move the U.S. Embassy in Israel from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem. Jordan vehemently opposes such a move if taken ahead of an Israeli-Palestinian partition deal.

Israel views Jerusalem as its unified capital.

A longstanding international consensus holds that the city's final status should be decided through negotiations, which was also U.S. policy going back decades.

Palestinians view Trump's recognition of Jerusalem as Israel's capital as a blatantly one-sided

move.

Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas said he would not meet with Trump administration officials and called off a meeting with Pence that had been scheduled for mid-December.

In a new expression of that snub, Abbas overlapped with Pence in Jordan from Saturday evening to midday Sunday, when the Palestinian leader flew to Brussels for a meeting with EU foreign ministers Monday. There, Abbas is expected to urge EU member states to recognize a state of Palestine in the pre-1967 lines, and to step up involvement in mediation.

Nabil Abu Rdeneh, an Abbas adviser, reiterated Sunday that "the U.S. is no longer acceptable as a mediator."

"Any plan from any side should be based on the basic references, which are the U.N. resolutions on the establishment of a Palestinian state on the borders of 1967, with east Jerusalem as a capital, and the Arab Peace Initiative, which addresses many issues, including the issue of refugees," he said.

"Any plan that is not based on the international legitimacy and the Arab Peace Initiative will not be acceptable, neither by the Palestinians nor the Arabs."

Pence was also expected to meet with U.S. troops in the region on Sunday and then depart for Israel, where he's scheduled to hold meetings with Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, deliver an address to the Knesset and visit the Yad Vashem Holocaust memorial.

## HOTEL

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chain of worldwide hotels.

The Interior Ministry said a private firm assumed responsibility for securing the hotel around three weeks ago. The ministry says it is investigating how the attackers managed to enter the building.

During a news conference, Danish said that early investigations show that six insurgents entered the hotel from the northern side and stormed its kitchen. Two attackers were killed by special forces on the 6th floor of the hotel.

Danish said initial reports indicated that a person or persons inside the hotel helped the attackers get inside. He added that the investigation is not completed.

Mumtaz Ahmad, a provincial telecommunication employee for Helmand province who survived the attack said "I was on my way from my room toward the reception, when I the elevator door opened, I saw two armed suicide bombers. People were escaping and the attackers

were firing at them."

Afghan security officials confirmed that 34 provincial officials were gathered at the hotel to participate in a conference organized by the Telecommunication Ministry.

A fire broke out at the hotel as the fighting raged, and the sound of explosions could be heard throughout the standoff. Live TV footage showed people trying to escape through windows on the upper stories.

Capt. Tom Gresback, spokesman for NATO-led forces, said in a statement that Afghan forces were leading the response efforts. He said that according to initial reports, no foreign troops were hurt in the attack.

Neighboring Pakistan condemned the "brutal terrorist attack" and called for greater cooperation against militants. Afghanistan and Pakistan routinely accuse each other of failing to combat extremists along their long and porous border.

Afghan forces have struggled to fight the Taliban since the U.S. and NATO formally concluded their combat mission at the end of 2014.



AP PHOTO

**Security forces stand guard near the Intercontinental Hotel after a deadly attack in Kabul, Afghanistan, Saturday.**

They have also had to contend with a growing Islamic State affiliate that has carried out a number of big attacks in recent years.

In the northern Balkh province, insurgents burst into a home where several members of a local pro-government militia were gathered late Saturday, leading them outside and killing 18 of them, said Gen. Abdul Razeq Qaderi, the deputy

provincial police chief. Among those killed was a tribal leader who served as the local police commander, he said.

In the western province of Farah, a roadside bomb killed a deputy provincial police chief and wounded four other police early Sunday, according to Gen. Mahruf Folad, the provincial police chief.

The Taliban claimed both attacks.

## ALMANAC

Today is **Monday, Jan. 22**, the 22nd day of 2018. There are 343 days left in the year.

### Today in history

On **Jan. 22, 1968**, the fast-paced sketch comedy program "Rowan & Martin's Laugh-In" premiered as a weekly series on NBC-TV.

### On this date

In **1498**, during his third voyage to the Western Hemisphere, Christopher Columbus arrived at the present-day Caribbean island of St. Vincent.

In **1901**, Britain's Queen Victoria died at age 81 after a reign of 63 years; she was succeeded by her eldest son, Edward VII.

In **1908**, Katie Mulcahey became the first — and only — woman to run afoul of New York City's just-passed ban on females smoking in public establishments. (Mulcahey served a night in jail after refusing to pay a \$5 fine; the law, which did not specify any fines, ended up being vetoed by Mayor George B. McClellan Jr.)

In **1922**, Pope Benedict XV died; he was succeeded by Pius XI.

In **1938**, Thornton Wilder's play "Our Town" was performed publicly for the first time in Princeton, New Jersey.

In **1944**, during World War II, Allied forces began landing at Anzio, Italy.

In **1953**, the Arthur Miller drama "The Crucible," set during the Salem witch trials, opened on Broadway.

In **1973**, the U.S. Supreme Court, in its *Roe v. Wade* decision, legalized abortions using a trimester approach. Former President Lyndon B. Johnson died at his Texas ranch at age 64.

In **1987**, Pennsylvania treasurer R. Budd Dwyer, convicted of defrauding the state, proclaimed his innocence at a news conference before pulling out a gun and shooting himself to death in front of horrified onlookers.

### Today's birthdays

Former Sen. **Birch Bayh**, D-Ind., is 90. Actress **Piper Laurie** is 86. Celebrity chef **Graham Kerr** (TV: "The Galloping Gourmet") is 84. Actor **Seymour Cassel** is 83. Author **Joseph Wambaugh** is 81. Singer **Steve Perry** is 69. Country singer-musician **Teddy Gentry** (Alabama) is 66. Movie director **Jim Jarmusch** is 65. Actor **John Wesley Shipp** is 63. Hockey Hall of Famer **Mike Bossy** is 61. Actress **Linda Blair** is 59. Actress **Diane Lane** is 53.

## ODD NEWS

### South Carolina suspect found hiding behind fake wall in home

ROCK HILL, S.C. (AP) — Police investigating a murder attempt searched a house and were told the suspect wasn't there. Then they took a closer look — and found their man hiding behind a false wall, behind a toilet.

Fronta Pernell McCrorey, 36, is now in jail, according to a report in the Herald of Rock Hill.

The Herald reports that McCrorey was being sought as police investigate a convenience store shooting. They checked out the home after finding a car linked to McCrorey parked outside. They were initially told that the suspect wasn't inside but found him hiding when they did a sweep of the structure.

The public defender's office didn't immediately respond to an email Sunday asking whether it is representing McCrorey.



## WORLD

# Turkish troops enter Kurdish enclave in northern Syria

By LEFTERIS PITARAKIS and SARAH EL DEEB  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

HASSA, Turkey — Turkish troops and Syrian opposition forces attacked a Kurdish enclave in northern Syria on Sunday in their bid to oust from the area a U.S.-allied Kurdish militia, which responded with a hail of rockets on Turkish towns killing at least one refugee.

The Turkish offensive on Afrin, codenamed Operation Olive Branch, started Saturday and has heightened tensions in the already complicated Syrian conflict, threatening to further strain ties between NATO allies Turkey and the United States.

On Sunday, the United States urged Turkey to exercise restraint and ensure that the offensive is “limited in scope and duration.” A statement by State Department spokeswoman Heather Nauert also asked Turkey to be “scrupulous to avoid civilian casualties,” adding that all parties involved in Syria should focus on defeating the Islamic State group.

The Syrian government, Iran and Egypt condemned the attack, which activists said has killed at least 18 civilians in the Kurdish-held enclave, Afrin, in the first 24 hours. Turkish officials say 11 rockets launched from Syria have landed in Turkish towns along the border, killing at least one Syrian refugee and injuring 47.

France called for an emergency U.N. Security Council meeting to discuss the developments there and urged Turkish authorities “to act with restraint in a context where the humanitarian situation is deteriorating in several regions of Syria.”

Turkish officials said the troops entered Afrin a day after dozens of Turkish jets and artillery units at the border pounded Syrian Kurdish targets. A spokesman for the Kurdish fighters said the attack was repelled.

Turkey considers the Syrian Kurdish militia, known as the People's Protection Units, or YPG, a terror organization and a security threat because of its affiliation with Kurdish rebels fighting in southeastern Turkey.

The group controls Afrin, in Syria's northwestern Aleppo province, as well as nearly 25 percent of Syrian territory, to the east along Turkey's



AP PHOTOS

**Turkish Army officers block the outskirts of the village of Sugedigi, Turkey, on the border with Syria, Sunday. Turkey's ground troops entered the enclave of Afrin, in northern Syria on Sunday and were advancing with Turkish-backed Syrian opposition forces in their bid to oust Syrian Kurdish forces from the region.**

border. The YPG also forms the backbone of the Syrian Democratic Forces, the main U.S. ally against the Islamic State group in Syria.

U.S. support for the Kurdish militia has been a cause of perpetual conflict between Ankara and Washington, which has backed the Kurdish militia.

U.S. officials have said that the administration had appealed to Turkey not to go ahead with the offensive. A Turkish operation there could have an impact on U.S. operations further east in Syria, the officials said.

The operation, for which Turkey has also rallied nearly 10,000 Syrian opposition fighters, could spill into a wider Turkish-Kurdish confrontation inside Turkey. There is an estimated 8,000 to 10,000 Kurdish fighters in the Afrin district, the Turkish prime minister said.

The operation also includes airstrikes on the district, threatening to create another humanitarian disaster in the region. The Afrin district houses no less than 800,000 civilians, including displaced people from earlier years of the Syrian war. Russia pulled back troops that had been deployed near Afrin after it was briefed on the operation by Turkey.

Kurdish officials said Russian military officials have proposed handing over Afrin to the Syrian government to avert a Turkey military offensive. They said they refused the proposal.

Badran Ciya Kurd, an adviser to the Kurdish administration in

northern Syria who meets regularly with Russian and US officials, told The Associated Press Sunday that Russian officials suggested that handing over the enclave, encircled by Syrian government and its rival Turkey and Syrian fighters it backs, would avert the Turkish offensive.

It was not immediately possible to reach Russian officials.

Prime Minister Binali Yildirim told a group of journalists that Turkey aims to create a 20-mile deep “secure zone” in Afrin.

On Sunday, the state-run Anadolu Agency said the Turkish-backed fighters had penetrated 3 miles into Afrin as part of the offensive. At least one person, a Syrian refugee in Turkey, was killed when Reyhanli, a Turkish border town, came under a hail of rockets Sunday.

It was the second Turkish town to come under attack. Earlier, the rockets fired from Syria targeted the border town of Kilis, but there were no casualties.

In a statement, the Syrian opposition fighters battling alongside the Turkish troops said the combined force seized Shinkal, a village on the northwestern edge of Afrin district. A Syrian rebel commander said the clashes with the YPG fighters were intense, but that the Turkey-backed forces would fight to “eliminate terrorism” from the area.

SDF spokesman Mustafa Bali denied that Turkish troops had entered Afrin, saying Kurdish forces have been repelling attacks since Saturday. Bali said the SDF sent reinforcements to Afrin. The YPG said meanwhile that it had destroyed two Turkish tanks.

The Britain-based Syrian Observatory for Human Rights said that Kurdish militia and Turkish forces clashed on the northern and western edges of Afrin. It said the Turkey-backed forces entered Shinkal and Adah Manli to the west. It added that the Turkey-backed forces captured three YPG fighters. The Observatory said airstrikes killed eight in Afrin's southeast, bringing the total of civilians killed since the attack began to 18.

Sejan Jan, a journalist in Afrin, said stores

and services were operating normally. Residents in border villages were taking precautions against the bombings, he said. The only road out of Afrin, leading to government-controlled Aleppo, has been closed for security reasons, he added.

Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan has vowed to expand the offensive to Manbij, a town to the east that Kurdish forces seized from IS in a costly battle with the aid of the U.S.-led coalition. The town has since emerged as a model for U.S.-backed Kurdish rule of largely Arab areas.

A Turkish advance on Manbij would further strains relations with Washington, which has troops operating in the Manbij area.

Turkish troops first crossed into Syria after the Kurds captured Manbij in 2016, in part to prevent them from expanding westward and linking territory to Afrin. At least 70 Turkish soldiers were killed, most in battles with IS militants, which have since been driven from nearly all the territory it once held in Syria.

Syria's government had vowed to shoot down any Turkish fighter jets over Afrin, calling it an “aggressive act.” On Sunday, President Bashar Assad condemned the “brutal aggression” on Afrin but didn't repeat the threat. He said Turkey has always supported “terrorists” in Syria.

Iran, a close ally of Assad, also condemned the Turkish assault and called on Turkey to end it.

“The continuing crisis in Afrin may boost terrorist groups again in the northern parts of Syria,” Iranian Foreign Ministry spokesman Bahram Ghasemi said according to Iran's official IRNA news agency.

Egypt, which maintains security coordination with Syria and is at odds with Turkey, said the military offensive threatened political negotiations.

Turkey has prepared around 10,000 Syrian fighters to storm Afrin, according to Ramzi Abdurrahman, director of the Syrian Observatory for Human Rights. Some were stationed in Azaz, on the eastern edge of Afrin and others in Atmech to the south.

## WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

## Mexico posts highest homicide rate in decades

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Mexico has posted its highest homicide rate in decades, with a record 29,168 murders in 2017.

That is higher than the homicide rate during the peak year of Mexico's drug war in 2011, when there were 27,213 murders.

The Interior Department reported the figures Sunday, which are the highest since comparable records began in 1997.

The country's homicide rate of 20.5 per 100,000 inhabitants was still below that of Brazil and Colombia, at 27 per 100,000, and well below El Salvador's 60.8 killings per 100,000.

Experts say drug violence and other factors, such as bloody turf battles sparked by the expansion of the Jalisco New Generation cartel, played a role in Mexico's rising murder rate.

## Ex-Guatemala president candidate charged with bribes

GUATEMALA CITY (AP) — U.S. authorities have detained former Guatemalan presidential candidate Manuel Baldizon to face charges in Guatemala.

The U.S. Embassy in Guatemala City said Sunday the detention occurred at an undisclosed location in accordance with an Interpol request.

The charges involve Brazilian construction giant Odebrecht, which has acknowledged paying bribes across the region and elsewhere to win public works contracts.

Baldizon is a tycoon-turned-political populist who lost a runoff election in 2011 to Otto Perez Molina, the former president who is himself facing trial in a separate corruption case.

A statement from prosecutors alleges Baldizon took bribes from Odebrecht to help win highway construction contracts in Guatemala. He faces charges of conspiracy, receiving bribes and money laundering in the first Odebrecht-related corruption case in Guatemala.

## Kenya: Explosive kills 4 more children grazing livestock

NAIROBI, Kenya (AP) — A Kenyan official says four more children have been killed by an explosive device that went off in a field where they grazing livestock.

Mandera Governor Ali Roba is blaming devices that Britain might have planted during its colonial occupation of Kenya for the deaths on Saturday. He asked security agents to clear the fields of any devices from before Kenya gained independence in 1963.

Five children between the ages of 12 and 17 were killed in the same area of northern Kenya on Dec. 20 while playing with an explosive device they found while grazing livestock.

Many children living in the arid and semi-arid regions of Kenya often tend to their family's livestock after school. Some are forced to drop out of school to do so.

## Yemeni deaths due to diphtheria likely to rise amid blockade

SANAA, Yemen (AP) — Deaths resulting from a diphtheria outbreak in Yemen are “likely to rise” if the naval blockade imposed by a Saudi-led coalition fighting to defeat Shiite rebels in war-torn Yemen remains in place, an international aid group warned on Monday.

Save the Children said in a statement that Yemeni children are bearing the brunt of what it described as a “the worst diphtheria outbreak for a generation.” It also said that its aid workers have been struggling to cope with the disease which has killed at least 52 people, mostly among children under 15, and is believed to have infected some 716 others since August. Diphtheria is a contagious and potentially fatal disease that primarily infects the throat and airways.

## Spain to seek Catalan politician's arrest

MADRID (AP) — Spain's state prosecutor office says it will reissue a European arrest warrant for the arrest of the fugitive former leader of Catalonia if he leaves Belgium and enters Denmark as planned.

The region's ex-president, Carles Puigdemont, is scheduled to attend a debate at the University of Copenhagen on Monday.

The trip would be Puigdemont's first outside Belgium since he fled there to avoid a court summons in Spain for his role in a failed secession bid led by his government in October.

The state prosecutor said Sunday that if Puigdemont enters Denmark as planned it will “immediately request” the Spain Supreme Court to issue a European warrant for his arrest by Danish authorities.

Spain issued a European warrant for Puigdemont's arrest in November, but withdrew it after a month.

## 7 die at Ethiopia's Epiphany in clashes with security forces

ADDIS ABABA, Ethiopia (AP) — Ethiopian police in the restive Amhara region in the north confirmed Sunday that seven people were killed when worshippers celebrating the Epiphany holiday clashed with security forces.

The killings on Saturday in the town of Woldiya, 310 miles north of the capital Addis Ababa, happened on the second day of the colorful Epiphany celebrations in this East African nation.

Amare Goshu, a police official in the region, told the state-owned Ethiopian Broadcasting Corporation that seven people died, including one security officer, during the confrontation. He said that the security forces responded with force when youths in the town tried to attack officers who were patrolling the holiday procession areas. “More than 15 citizens and 2 police officers were also injured and are now receiving treatment,” he said.



**Turkish Army officers block the outskirts of the village of Sugedigi, Turkey, on the border with Syria, Sunday.**

# STATE-BY-STATE

News from across the USA

**ALABAMA Montgomery:** Lawyers for a death row inmate scheduled to be executed Thursday say multiple strokes and dementia have left him unable to remember his crime and are seeking a Supreme Court review of his case.

**ALASKA Anchorage:** The Native group Sealaska Heritage Institute is criticizing a shamanism retreat planned for June, saying the event exploits the spiritual healing practices of indigenous people.

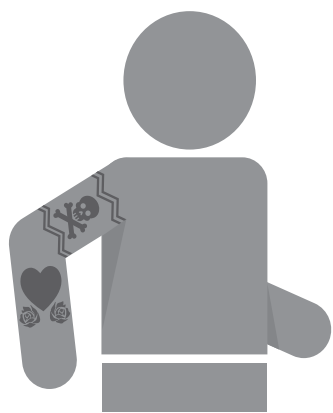
**ARIZONA Phoenix:** The city is exploring a private sector takeover of Sky Harbor airport's public parking facilities, KJZZ-FM reports.

**ARKANSAS Little Rock:** C&H Hog Farm near Mount Judea has been permitted to continue operating while it appeals the state's decision to deny it a new permit in the Buffalo River's watershed.

**CALIFORNIA Los Angeles:** Two men face federal charges of exporting computer chips with military applications to China. Authorities say the chips have radar and electronic warfare applications.

**COLORADO Denver:** The state's Medicaid director says it would cost about \$200 million a year to clear a waiting list of 2,900 people who need severe disability help, *The Denver Post* reports.

**CONNECTICUT Hartford:** State officials are urging residents to volunteer for an annual count of homeless people set for Tuesday.



**DELAWARE Dover:** A woman operating a tattoo shop out of her home was ordered by state health officials to close it. The Wilmington woman kept no client records, preventing the state from sending notices to seek medical testing for disease risks.

**DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA:** Three masked suspects crashed a stolen truck into a 7-Eleven last week and took an ATM, WTOP Radio reports. Authorities say the thieves used a stolen blue pickup truck for the heist.

**FLORIDA Fort Lauderdale:** Two robbers were so brazen they stole the wedding ring off a Broward County mail carrier's finger, authorities say.

**GEORGIA Butler:** A state lawmaker wants to force the use of instant replay in high school football playoff and championship games after a controversial call cost her local high school a score in the championship.

**HAWAII Kailua-Kona:** A Big Island planning commission will visit the site of a proposed 40-unit resort development before considering various requests from the developer, *West Hawaii Today* reports.

**IDAHO Idaho Falls:** A judge has ruled that a state ACLU lawsuit claiming inadequate public defender funding can move forward as a class action, the *Post Register* reports.

**ILLINOIS Chicago:** Metra reminds commuters that fares will increase Feb. 1 and some service will be reduced Feb. 5. Officials cite the need to cover a \$45 million deficit caused by state funding cuts.

**INDIANA Indianapolis:** Top state and city officials say they won't go overboard in what they offer Amazon to lure its second headquarters project.

**IOWA Council Bluffs:** The Micah House homeless shelter is starting a Girl Scouts troop next month, *The Omaha World-Herald* reports.

**KANSAS Topeka:** A report criticizes the University of Kansas' previous administration for spending more than \$21 million over five years on consulting fees to find savings and efficiencies. But school officials de-

## HIGHLIGHT: NEW JERSEY



New Jersey first lady Tammy Murphy speaks Saturday at the Women's March on New Jersey in Morristown. BOB KARP/USA TODAY NETWORK

## State's first lady has her own #MeToo story

**Catherine Carrera**  
Bergen Record  
USA TODAY NETWORK - NEW JERSEY

MORRISTOWN — New Jersey first lady Tammy Murphy shared her #MeToo story with thousands of people who attended the Women's March on New Jersey on Saturday, revealing that she had been sexually assaulted in college.

"The stories of the 'Me Too' movement have humbled the powerful and empowered the forgotten," Murphy said in her speech at the event, following her husband, Democratic Gov. Phil Murphy, who was sworn in Tuesday.

"I will add my voice to this growing chorus," she added, detailing her experience as a sophomore at the University of Virginia.

"Three decades ago, as a college sophomore, I was sexually assaulted," Murphy said.

"Moving between two groups of friends I had a choice of taking a longer path that was well-lit or a shorter brick walkway that was slightly in the shadows." She said she chose the shorter way.

"As I walked along the brick path I suddenly stopped because the light was coming in and then it stopped. So, I turned my head to

look and was pulled into the bushes," Murphy said.

"I was thrown on my back. I had a man on top of me — pulled my shirt up, pulled my skirt up. And I started screaming."

The attacker found an apple, she said, which he "tried to put that in my mouth. I bit him as hard as I could." She fled into a nearby fraternity house, where authorities were called, she said.

"My assailant never faced justice in my case," Murphy said. "It wasn't until a future point in time and a future crime that he finally went to jail."

Murphy said that the "silver lining" over the last year has been the "thousands upon thousands of women who have found their voices."

"Until today only a few have heard my story. Now you all know," Murphy said. "I tell this today not for me, but really for all of you. Surely among us is a woman who has been silent about her own story."

"I know the feeling of shame. I know the feeling of helplessness. I know the disappointment of justice denied. By speaking out we can find our strength and ensure our lives are not defined by our experience."

defend the work, citing more than \$51 million in savings.

**KENTUCKY Frankfort:** Jeff Hoover, the Republican who stepped down as state House speaker after signing a secret sexual harassment settlement, has filed for re-election to his House seat.

**LOUISIANA New Orleans:** Pipes damaged during two nights of unusual cold began thawing and leaking last week, leading to low water pressure in New Orleans and surrounding areas.

**MAINE Portland:** The city's Monument Square was the site of a massive T-rex invasion Saturday. The gathering of costumed dinosaur lovers held a Cretaceous Period party.

**MARYLAND Ocean City:** Five women have filed a suit in federal court challenging the town's ordinance prohibiting topless women in public.

**MASSACHUSETTS Boston:** The federal shutdown isn't knocking "Old Ironsides" out of service. Officials say the warship USS Constitution will remain open to tourists at the Charlestown Navy Yard in Boston.

**MICHIGAN East Lansing:** Michigan State University has agreed to allow white nationalist Richard Spencer to speak on campus March 5, during spring break. But he'll be away from the heart of campus.

**MINNESOTA Minneapolis:** The state has approved changing the name of Lake Calhoun in Minneapolis, named for former vice president and slavery supporter John Calhoun, to its original Dakota Indian name of Bde Maka Ska.

**MISSISSIPPI Jackson:** Mississippi could have to reset the scale used to assign A-to-F grades to public schools again in 2018, after the U.S. Department of Education rejected parts of the state's system.

**MISSOURI Creve Coeur:** Officials are working to remove invasive Asian carp from Creve Coeur Park Lake, KSDK-TV reports. The fish entered the lake after the Missouri River flooded nine years ago.

**MONTANA Helena:** Prosecutors say child protection caseworkers aren't following a state law that requires them to release toxicology findings on children suspected to have been exposed to illegal drugs.

**NEBRASKA Omaha:** Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Nebraska is promoting sales executive Steven Grandfield to president and CEO in March.

**NEVADA Las Vegas:** Police say two men are dead and a woman is hospitalized after what appears to be a murder-suicide from a love triangle.

**NEW HAMPSHIRE Durham:** The University of New Hampshire says it won't renew the contracts of 18 lecturers. Nearly half of them teach English as a second language.

**NEW JERSEY Elizabeth:** The main span of the Goethals Bridge that connects the city with Staten Island is headed to the scrap yard. A new bridge is to be finished this year.

**NEW MEXICO Lordsburg:** The Border Patrol seized a ton of marijuana worth \$1.6 million about eight miles north of the border with Mexico.

**NEW YORK Watkins Glen:** The animal protection group Farm Sanctuary says 24 pigs were removed from a farm where they were kept in inhumane conditions.

**NORTH CAROLINA Raleigh:** State

officials say final compensation payments to those who were sterilized years ago under the state's eugenics program will be mailed soon.

**NORTH DAKOTA Minot:** The Minot Park District is planning cross-country, mountain bike and multi-use trails, a neighborhood park and an 18-hole golf course and recreation area, the *Minot Daily News* reports.



**OHIO Columbus:** Gov. John Kasich has created a statewide center to advance Ohio's effort to be a national leader in autonomous vehicle research and smart road technology.

**OKLAHOMA Oklahoma City:** Federal officials have approved the Shawnee Tribe's request to put more than 100 acres of land in trust for Golden Mesa Casino in the Oklahoma Panhandle.

**OREGON Astoria:** Authorities say an oil spill created a five-mile sheen on the Columbia River, *The Daily Astorian* reports. The source is unclear.

**PENNSYLVANIA Philadelphia:** A group of nuns wants a federal court to block a natural gas pipeline project on their Lancaster cornfield. The sisters in the Adorers of the Blood of Christ say the project violates their religious freedom.

**RHODE ISLAND Providence:** The core of the University of Rhode Island's main campus will be added to the National Register of Historic Places. Among the buildings is the Oliver Watson Farmhouse, dating to 1796.

**SOUTH CAROLINA York:** Detective Mike Doty, one of four law enforcement officers shot while trying to find and arrest a domestic violence suspect, died last week, York County Sheriff Kevin Tolson says.

**SOUTH DAKOTA Olivet:** Hutchinson County commissioners have approved a construction resolution for a \$4.5 million courthouse, *The Yankton Daily Press & Dakotan* reports.

**TENNESSEE Nashville:** More than a dozen national advocacy groups have urged the release of Cyntoia Brown, who was imprisoned for life in 2004 after she killed a man who solicited her as a 16-year-old prostitute.

**TEXAS New Braunfels:** A judge overseeing the trial of a woman accused of trafficking her teenage niece recused himself after interrupting jury deliberations to push for an acquittal. But the jury returned a guilty verdict anyway, *New Braunfels Herald-Zeitung* reports.

**UTAH Salt Lake City:** The Utah Supreme Court has a new justice, *The Salt Lake Tribune* reports. Paige Petersen was sworn in last week.

**VERMONT Windsor:** State education officials have approved merging the West Windsor and Windsor school districts. Voters in the towns will make the final decision.

**VIRGINIA Richmond:** The state Senate has voted to raise the felony theft threshold from \$200 to \$500. It would be the first increase since 1980.

**WASHINGTON Tacoma:** Authorities say a man will spend 30 days in prison for cutting down and stealing a maple tree near Olympic National Park. Michael Welches was charged after neighbors heard a chain saw in the middle of the night.

**WEST VIRGINIA Nitro:** A New York gaming and entertainment company has agreed to buy Mardi Gras Casino and Resort west of Charleston.

**WISCONSIN Madison:** Gov. Scott Walker called on the Legislature to pass a welfare overhaul package that imposes drug testing for public housing applicants and photo IDs for food stamp recipients.

**WYOMING Jackson:** Boosted by a total solar eclipse in August, Grand Teton National Park had more than 4.9 million visits last year, its fourth straight year of record attendance.

Compiled from staff, wire reports.

# Monday Television

VEN-VENICE E-N-ENGLEWOOD SAR-SARASOTA PC-PORT CHARLOTTE ARC-ARCADIA SPG-SOUTH PUNTA GORDA

	JAN. 22	VEN	E-N	SAR	PC	ARC	SPG	FUS	PRIME TIME											
									6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30
BROADCAST	ABC (40)	7	7	7	10	7	-	7	ABC7 News @ 6pm (N)	ABC World News Tonight (N)	ABC7 News at 7 Florida Suncoast's news, weather & more. (N)	The Bachelor Arie and the set out to South Lake Tahoe, Nev. (TVPG) (N) (HD)		15 remaining bachelorettes (TVPG) (N) (HD)		The Good Doctor: Seven Reasons A patient's reason for her injury. (N)	ABC7 News @ 11pm (N)	(35) Jimmy Kimmel Live (TV14)		
	ABC (26)	-	-	-	7	11	7	-	ABC7 News @ 6:00pm (N)	ABC World News Tonight (N)	The 7 O'Clock News (N) (HD)	Entertainment Tonight (N) (HD)	The Bachelor Arie and the set out to South Lake Tahoe, Nev. (TVPG) (N) (HD)		15 remaining bachelorettes (TVPG) (N) (HD)		The Good Doctor: Seven Reasons A patient's reason for her injury. (N)	ABC7 News @ 11:00pm (N)	(35) Jimmy Kimmel Live (TV14)	
	CBS (11)	213	213	-	5	5	5	-	WINK News at 6pm (N) (HD)	CBS Evening News (N) (HD)	WINK News at 7pm (N) (HD)	Inside Edition (TVPG) (N) (HD)	Kevin Wait Ask a client out. (N)	Man with a Plan Like problem.	Superior Donuts: Labor Pains	9JKL Acting class. (TVPG) (N)	Scorpion: Lighthouse of the Rising Sun Teenage pilot. (TV14) (N) (HD)	WINK News at 11pm (N) (HD)	Late Show Comedic talk show.	
	CBS (10)	10	10	10	-	-	-	10	10 News This Evening (N)	CBS Evening News (N) (HD)	Wheel Fortune: Swiss Holiday	Jeopardy! (TVG) (N) (HD)	Kevin Wait Ask a client out. (N)	Man with a Plan Like problem.	Superior Donuts: Labor Pains	9JKL Acting class. (TVPG) (N)	Scorpion: Lighthouse of the Rising Sun Teenage pilot. (TV14) (N) (HD)	10 News Nightside (N)	Late Show Comedic talk show.	
	NBC (20)	-	232	-	2	2	2	-	NBC2 News @ 6pm (N) (HD)	NBC Nightly News (N) (HD)	Wheel Fortune: Swiss Holiday	Jeopardy! (TVG) (N) (HD)	The Wall: Brooke and Cody A photographer and her husband. (TVPG)	Better Late Than Never: Matador Training (TV14) (N) (HD)	The Brave: Close to Home: Part 1 A piece of Patricia's past. (TV14) (N)	NBC2 News @ 11pm (N) (HD)	Tonight Show Greg Kinnear. (N)			
	NBC (8)	8	8	8	-	8	-	8	NewsChannel 8 at 6:00 (N)	NBC Nightly News (N) (HD)	NewsChannel 8 at 7:00 (N)	Extra (TVPG) (N) (HD)	The Wall: Brooke and Cody A photographer and her husband. (TVPG)	Better Late Than Never: Matador Training (TV14) (N) (HD)	The Brave: Close to Home: Part 1 A piece of Patricia's past. (TV14) (N)	NewsChannel 8 at 11:00 (N)	Tonight Show Greg Kinnear. (N)			
	FOX (36)	-	-	-	4	4	4	-	FOX 4 News at Six Community news; weather; traffic; more. (N)	Family Feud (TVPG) (N)	Family Feud (TVPG) (N)	Lucifer: All About Her Lucifer tries to learn Pierce's motives. (TV14) (N)	The Resident: Independence Day Congressman has a heart attack.	FOX 4 News at Ten Local news report and weather update. (N)	FOX 4 News at Eleven (N)	Family Feud Families compete.				
	FOX (13)	13	13	13	-	13	-	13	FOX 13 6:00 News (N) (HD)	FOX 13 6:30 News (N)	Access SAG Awards. (TVPG)	TMZ (TVPG) (N)	Lucifer: All About Her Lucifer tries to learn Pierce's motives. (TV14) (N)	The Resident: Independence Day Congressman has a heart attack.	FOX 13 10:00 News The top news stories are updated. (N) (HD)	FOX 13 11:00 News News, sports, weather and traffic. (N)				
	PBS (30)	-	3	-	3	3	3	-	BBC World News (TVPG)	Nightly Business Report (N)	The PBS NewsHour (N) (HD)	Antiques Roadshow: Harrisburg (TVG) (N) (HD)	Antiques Roadshow: Manor House Treasures Steamer trunk. (TVG)	Independent Lens: The Force (TV14) (R) (HD)	In Irma's Wake (R)					
	PBS (3)	3	17	3	-	-	-	3	BBC World News (TVPG)	Nightly Business Report (N)	The PBS NewsHour (N) (HD)	Antiques Roadshow: Harrisburg (TVG) (N) (HD)	Antiques Roadshow: Richmond Perfume bottle. (TVG) (R) (HD)	Independent Lens: The Force (TV14) (N) (HD)	Ind. Lens American police. (R)					
	CW (46)	-	-	-	6	21	6	-	Goldbergs Erica needs help.	WINK News at 6:30pm (N) (HD)	Big Bang Theory Battle of wils.	Big Bang The blind date. (HD)	Supergirl: Fort Rozz Supergirl heads to Fort Rozz. (TVPG) (N) (HD)	Valor: Oscar Mike The Shadow Raiders embark on a mission. (TV14)	WINK News @ 10pm (N) (HD)	Inside Edition (TVPG) (N) (HD)	The Goldbergs: Boy Barry (HD)			
	CW (44)	9	9	9	-	-	-	4	Mike Molly Moving to Peggy's.	Mike & Molly: Goin' Fishin' (HD)	2 Broke Girls Nash models.	2 Broke Girls: And the ATM (HD)	Supergirl: Fort Rozz Supergirl heads to Fort Rozz. (TVPG) (N) (HD)	Valor: Oscar Mike The Shadow Raiders embark on a mission. (TV14)	Two & Half Sexy soccer moms.	Two & Half Lovers' identities.	Friends Porno for Joey. (TVPG) (HD)	Friends Joey or Chandler? (HD)		
	MYN (38)	11	11	11	-	-	-	14	Extra (TVPG) (N)	Entertainment Tonight (N) (HD)	Family Feud (TVPG) (N)	Family Feud (TVPG) (N)	News Channel 8 News @ 8pm News, sports, weather and traffic. (N)	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit: Theatre Tricks Theatrical assault.	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit: Official Story Conspiracy unveiled.	Seinfeld George gets smarter.	Seinfeld Stolen glasses.			
ION (66)	2	2	2	13	26	-	17	Criminal Minds: The Wheels on the Bus... Missing bus. (TV14) (HD)	Criminal Minds: Magnificent Light Conference murder. (TV14) (HD)	Criminal Minds: The Lesson BAU looks into ritualistic killing. (TV14) (HD)	Criminal Minds: Perennials BAU investigates a copycat killer. (TV14)	Criminal Minds: Zugzwang Reid's girlfriend is kidnapped. (TV14)	Criminal Minds: Magnum Opus Reid struggles with a personal loss.							
CABLE	A&E	26	26	26	26	39	50	181	Intervention: Ryan (R)	Undercover (TV14) (R)	Undercover (TV14) (R)	60 Days In: Pissed Off	60 Days In (TV14) (R)	Undercover (TV14) (R)						
	AMC	56	56	56	56	30	53	231	(5:30) The Day After Tomorrow ('04, Drama) ★★½ Abrupt global warming causes disaster. (PG-13)	Enemy of the State ('98, Thriller) ★★½ Gene Hackman, Jon Voight. An innocent lawyer is framed for a political murder and forced to go on the run. (R)	The Day After Tomorrow ('04) Global warming.									
	APL	44	44	44	44	36	68	130	Alaskans: Fire and Ice	Alaskans (TVPG) (R)	Alaskans (TVPG) (R)	Alaskans (TVPG) (R)	Alaskans (TVPG) (R)	Alaskans: Killer Instinct						
	BBCAM	114	114	114	114	114	189	114	Voyager: Non Sequitur	Voyager: Twisted	Voyager (TVPG)	Voyager: Cathexis	Voyager: Faces (TVPG)	Voyager: Jetrel (TVPG)						
	BET	35	35	35	35	40	22	70	(4:00) Bad Boys ('95) (R)	Lean on Me ('89, Drama) ★★½ A principal cracks down on students. (HD)	Tyler Perry's Madea's Big Happy Family ('11) ★½									
	BRAVO	68	68	68	68	254	51	185	Vanderpump (TV14) (R)	Vanderpump (TV14) (R)	Vanderpump (TV14) (N)	Vanderpump (TV14) (N)	Summer House (N)	Watch What Happened (N)						
	COM	66	66	66	66	15	27	190	The Office (TV14)	South Park: Kenny Dies Stem-cell research. (R)	South Park (TV14)	South Park (TV14)	South Park (TV14)	South Park (TV14)	South Park (TV14)	South Park (TV14)	Daily Show (TV14)	Opposition (TV14)		
	DISC	40	40	40	40	25	43	120	St Outlaws (TV14) (R)	St Outlaws: Bad Beets	St Outlaws (TV14) (N)	St Outlaws (TV14) (N)	St Outlaws (TV14) (N)	(02) Outlaws (TV14) (N)	St Outlaws (TV14) (R)					
	E!	46	46	46	46	27	196	196	Kardashian (TV14) (R)	E! News (N) (HD)	Kardashian (TV14) (R)	Kardashian (TV14) (R)	Summer House (HD)	E! News (N) (HD)						
	FOOD	37	37	37	37	183	76	164	Chopped Jr (TVG) (R)	Chopped Jr (TVG) (R)	Kids: Lemon BFF's (R)	Kids: Ice cream cakes.	Ridiculous	Reality	Cake Wars (TVG) (R)					
	FREE	55	55	55	55	10	46	199	The Last Song ('10, Drama) Miley Cyrus. An angry and rebellious teenager spends the summer with her estranged father.	The Age of Adaline ('15, Romance) ★★½ A woman leads a lonely life in order to protect the secret of her immortality. (PG-13)	The 700 Club (TVG) (R) (HD)									
	FX	51	51	51	51	58	49	53	(4:00) The Equalizer ('14) Man serves justice.	Lucy ('14, Action) Drug leakage causes woman to access much more of normal brain capacity. (R)	Lucy ('14, Action) Drug leakage causes woman to access much more of normal brain capacity. (R)	Interstellar ('14) ★★½ Wormhole; new Earth.								
	GSN	179	179	179	179	34	179	184	Fam. Feud	Fam. Feud	Fam. Feud	Fam. Feud	Fam. Feud	Fam. Feud	Millionre.	Millionre.	Cash Cab	Cash Cab		
	HALL	5	5	5	17	137	73	240	Full House	Full House	Full House	Full House	The Middle	The Middle	The Middle	The Middle	Gold. Girl	Gold. Girl		
	HGTV	41	41	41	41	53	42	165	Love It: Pond Paradise	Am. Picker (TVPG) (R)	Am. Picker (TVPG) (R)	Am. Picker (TVPG) (R)	Am. Picker (TVPG) (R)	Am. Picker (TVPG) (R)	Pawn Stars	Pawn Stars	Rooster	Rooster's test.		
	HIST	81	81	81	81	33	65	128	Am. Picker (TVPG) (R)	Am. Picker (TVPG) (R)	Am. Picker (TVPG) (R)	Am. Picker (TVPG) (R)	Am. Picker (TVPG) (R)	Am. Picker (TVPG) (R)	Am. Picker (TVPG) (R)	Am. Picker (TVPG) (R)	Am. Picker (TVPG) (R)	Am. Picker (TVPG) (R)		
	LIFE	36	36	36	36	52	41	140	First 48 (TV14) (HD)	First 48 (TV14) (HD)	First 48 (TV14) (HD)	First 48 (TV14) (HD)	First 48 (TV14) (HD)	First 48 (TV14) (HD)	First 48 (TV14) (HD)	First 48 (TV14) (HD)	First 48 (TV14) (HD)	First 48 (TV14) (HD)		
	NICK	25	25	25	25	24	44	252	Henry (R)	Henry (R)	Paradise	SpongeBob	The SpongeBob SquarePants Movie ('04) ★★½	Two & Half	Two & Half	Friends	Friends			
	OWN	58	58	58	58	47	145	145	Dateline (TV14) (R) (HD)	Dateline (TV14) (R) (HD)	Dateline (TV14) (R) (HD)	Dateline (TV14) (R) (HD)	Dateline: Vanished (R)	Dateline (TV14) (N) (HD)	Dateline (TV14) (R) (HD)					
	QVC	14	14	14	14	13	150	150	Fashion	Inspired Style (TVG)	LOGO by Lori (TVG)	Isaac Mizrahi Live!	PM Style® with Shawn Killinger (TVG)							
	SPIKE	57	57	57	57	29	63	54	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Cops (R)	Cops (R)	Cops (N)	Cops (R)	Cops (R)	Cops (R)		
	SYFY	67	67	67	67	253	64	180	Men in Black Two secret agents monitor aliens.	Futurama	Futurama	Futurama	Futurama	Futurama	Futurama	Futurama	Futurama	Futurama		
	TBS	59	59	59	59	32	62	52	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Alienist (HD)	Am. Dad	Am. Dad	Conan (TV14) (N) (HD)		
	TCM	65	65	65	65	65	65	74	230	(5:45) Cannery Row ('82) Residents of an impoverished area meddle in a couple's relationship.	The Black Stallion ('79, Family) ★★½ Kelly Reno, Mickey Rooney. A boy befriends a wild horse. (G)	Wings of Desire ('87) An angel in Berlin longs to experience life as humans do and falls in love.								
TLC	45	45	45	45	57	72	139	Say Yes (TVPG) (R)	Body Bizar (TV14) (HD)	Body Bizar (TVPG)	Body Bizar (TVPG)	Body Bizar (TVPG)	Body Bizar (TVPG)	Body Bizar (TVPG)	Body Bizar (TVPG)					
TNT	61	61	61	61	28	55	51	Avengers: Age of Ultron ('15, Action) Robert Downey Jr., Chris Hemsworth. A powerful robotic villain appears with nefarious plans for planet Earth.	The Alienist NYC serial killer. (N) (HD)	The Alienist NYC serial killer. (R) (HD)	Law & Order: Dining Out Chef suspect. (TV14)									
TOON	80	80	80	80	46	20	257	Gumball	Unikitty	Titans Go!	Unikitty	King Hill	Am. Dad	Cleve. Shw	Am. Dad	Bob's Brgr	Bob's Brgr	Family Guy	Family Guy	
TRAV	69	69	69	69	260	66	170	Bizarre Shanghai. (R)	Bizarre Fish and grubs.	Bizarre (R)	Bizarre (R)	Man v Food	Man v Food	Man v Food	Man v Food	Traveler Robin Hood.				
TRUTV	63	63	63	63	30	183	183	Laff Track	Jokers (R)	Jokers (R)	Jokers (R)	Jokers (R)	Jokers (R)	Jokers (R)	Jokers (R)	Jokers (R)	Laff Track	Laff Track		
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WGN	16	16	16	16	19	41	68	Blue Blood (TV14) (HD)	Man on Fire ('04, Drama) ★★½ Former assassin protects child. (R) (HD)	Man on Fire ('04) Former assassin protects child.										
NEWS	CNBC	39	39	39	39	59	37	102	Mad Money (N) (HD)	Shark Tank (TVPG)	Shark Tank (TVPG)	Shark Tank (TVPG)	The Profit (TVG) (R)	The Profit (TVG) (R)						
	CNN	32	32	32	32	18	38	100	Situation Room (N)	Erin Burnett (N) (HD)	Cooper 360° (N) (HD)	Cuomo Prime Time (N)	CNN Tonight (N) (HD)	CNN Tonight (N) (HD)						
	CSPAN	18	18	18	18	37	12	109	(10:00) Public Affairs Events	Public affairs events are presented. (R) (HD)	Politics & Public Policy Today Major political activity around the U.S. (R)									
	FNC	64	64	64	64	48	71	118	Special Report (N) (HD)	The Story (N) (HD)	Tucker Carlson (N)	Hannity (N) (HD)	Ingraham Angle (N)	Fox News @ Night (N)						
	MSNBC	83	83	83	83	185	40	103	Beat Ari Melber (N)	Hardball with Chris (N)	Chris Hayes (N) (HD)	Rachel Maddow (N)	Last Word (N) (HD)	The 11th Hour (N) (HD)						
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	ESPN	29	29	29	29	12	58	70	SportsCenter (HD)	College Basketball (Live) (HD)	College Basketball (Live) (HD)	College Basketball: West Virginia vs TCU (Live)	SportsCenter (HD)							
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	FSN	72	72	72	72	72	56	77	Triathlon	Inside	Inside	NBA Basketball: Orlando vs Boston (Replay)	World Poker Tour (HD)	Wrld Poker (Replay)						
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GOLF	49	49	49	49	55	60	93	PGA Web.com Tour (Replay) (HD)	Golf Central (HD)	The Squeeze ('15, Drama) Golf tournament.	The Squeeze ('15)									
NBCSN	71	71	71	71	54	61	90	Football	Football	Dakar	NHL Live (Live)	NHL Hockey: Tampa Bay vs Chicago (Live) (HD)	NHL Overtime (Live)							
PREMIUM	DISN	136	136	136	136	99	45	250	Jessie Classmates. (TVG) (HD)	BUNK'D Shopping trip. (TVG) (HD)	BUNK'D Treasure hunt. (TVG) (HD)	Raven's Home Sad vision. (R)	Undercover Foreign diplomat.	Stuck Mid. Rachel's boyfriend.	Bizaardvark Mend relationship.	Bizaardvark Friends' bet. (R) (N)	BUNK'D Annual competition.	Jessie Chess contest. (TVG)	Undercover Foreign diplomat.	Stuck Mid. Dinner goes awry.
	ENC	150	150	150	150	150	350	350	(5:19) Maggie's Plan ('16) ★★½ Woman falls in love with married man.	Star Trek: Generations ('94, Science Fiction) ★★½ Patrick Stewart. Captain Picard joins forces with Captain Kirk to thwart a madman's plan. (PG)	X-Men ('00, Action) ★★½ Hugh Jackman. Genetic outcasts use their special abilities to battle super-terrorist.	Escape from L.A. ('96) Snake Plissken is tasked with finding a possible doomsday device in Los Angeles. (R)								
	HBO	302	302	302	302	302	302	402	(4:40) Deepwater Horizon ('16)	Real Time with Bill Maher	VICE News Tonight (TV14) (N)	Mosaic: Meet Olivia Lake An author and her friend attend. (TVMA) (N)	(20) Unforgettable ('17, Thriller) ★★½ Rosario Dawson, Katherine Heigl. Ex-wife's jealousy takes pathological turn and threatens couple's new life. (R)	Mosaic: Meet Olivia Lake An author and her friend attend. (TVMA) (R)						
	HB02	303	303	303	303	303	303	402	Elizabeth: The Golden Age ('07, Drama) Cate Blanchett, Clive Owen. Elizabeth I faces an impending war with Spain and assassination attempts.	Fifty Shades Darker ('17, Romance) ★★½ Dakota Johnson, Jamie Dornan. Ana insists on new arrangement with Christian, but his past interferes. (R)	Crashing Pete has a meeting. (HD)	Crashing A has a meeting. (HD)	High Maintenance: Frances Globo (HD)	Divorce Frances struggles.						
	HB03	304	304	304	304	304	304	404	(5:00) Erin Brockovich ('00) ★★½ A secretary's crusade brings out truth.	(5:15) Proof ('05) ★★½ Jake Gyllenhaal. A devoted daughter comes to terms with the death of her brilliant father. (PG-13) (HD)	A Monster Calls ('17, Fantasy) ★★½ Felicity Jones. Monster and 12-year-old boy embark on journey of courage, faith and truth.	The Hours ('02, Drama) ★★½ The lives of three women interconnect.								
	MAX	320	320	320	320	320	320	420	(5:45) Now You See Me 2 ('16, Action) ★★½ Jesse Eisenberg. Four horsemen forced by tech prodigy into pulling off almost impossible heist. (PG-13)	The Bodyguard ('92, Romance) ★★½ Kevin Costner, Whitney Houston. A former Secret Service agent is hired to protect a threatened pop superstar.	(10) CHiPs ('17, Comedy) ★★½									



### HOROSCOPE

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19). You're exceptionally creative today, but chances are you're being asked to take part in rather conventional environments. Take the format and give it a creative twist.  
**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20). A kind act can take many forms, but no matter how it shows up, it will not be mistaken. People know what compassion feels like. Today's kind intention will have an unmistakable warmth to it.  
**GEMINI** (May 21-June 21). Good is coming from the situation — though it's too early to detect, and

if you try, you'll only get in the way of the process. Instead, take it one thing at a time, striving for the kindest and most patient response to each moment.  
**CANCER** (June 22-July 22). They think they know you, but do they really? You change like your guiding luminary, the moon — showing a different kind of radiance by the hour. To love you is to be in a constant state of learning.  
**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22). Although your reasoning powers are stronger than ever, there are some situations you won't be able to reason your way into or out of. Use your intuition. You can trust your extrasensory perceptions.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Listen to the small concerns. Handle the nuances. Maybe this isn't pettiness so much as an opportunity to tend to something that really oughtn't fall through the cracks.  
**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You said it before, but you'll have to say it again — this time in a different way, though. Keep trying new approaches until you find the one they can best hear and understand.  
**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Past events have made you hesitant to go forward, but don't let that stop you altogether. Take it as a sign that there's something more to find out about the situation.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You'll hear the echo of a call initiated weeks ago. You may not be sure whether you made the right choice back there, but don't worry too much about it, because what matters is what you do next.  
**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Moving your body will be important and will lead to greater movement and flexibility of emotion and thought.  
**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Should you elevate the physical above the mental, the aesthetic over the practical, the spiritual above the sensual? No, no and no! It's all working beautifully together as you honor your whole self.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20). There's a beautiful variation in your daily life — with all the little sections of life in nice slices, shuffled and fanned out so that you can play them to their best effect.  
**TODAY'S BIRTHDAY** (Jan. 22). Love is your constant companion. A commitment to a long-term project will finally pay off in 12 months, so do not let up, no matter what else comes into your world. A vote of confidence in March may come in the form of an award or a bonus. Physical vitality increases with a new approach to health and fitness. Scorpio and Sagittarius adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 4, 44, 48, 18 and 20.

### BIBLE

"Wherefore he is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by him, seeing he ever liveth to make intercession for them." — Hebrews 7:25.

Look up, you can't go under. Look who is praying for you. He not only became our substitute at Calvary but our great intercessor forever.



### Challenger

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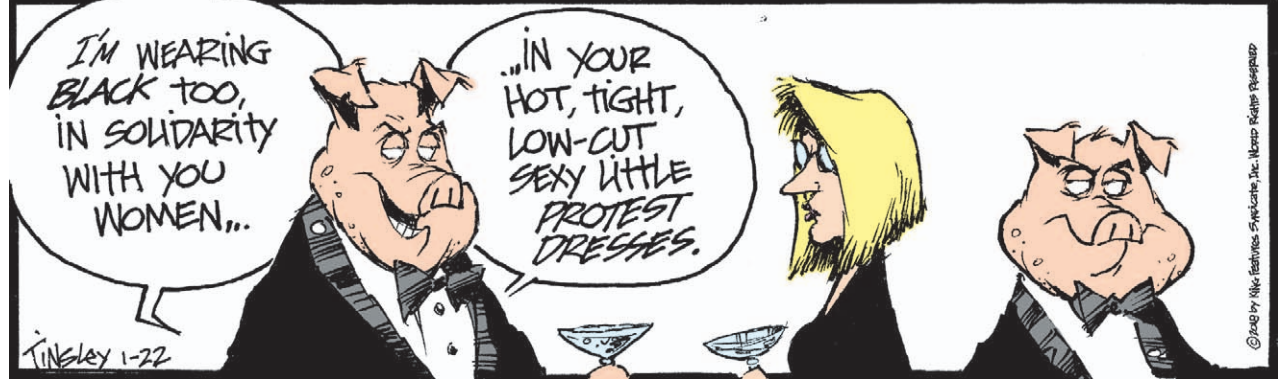
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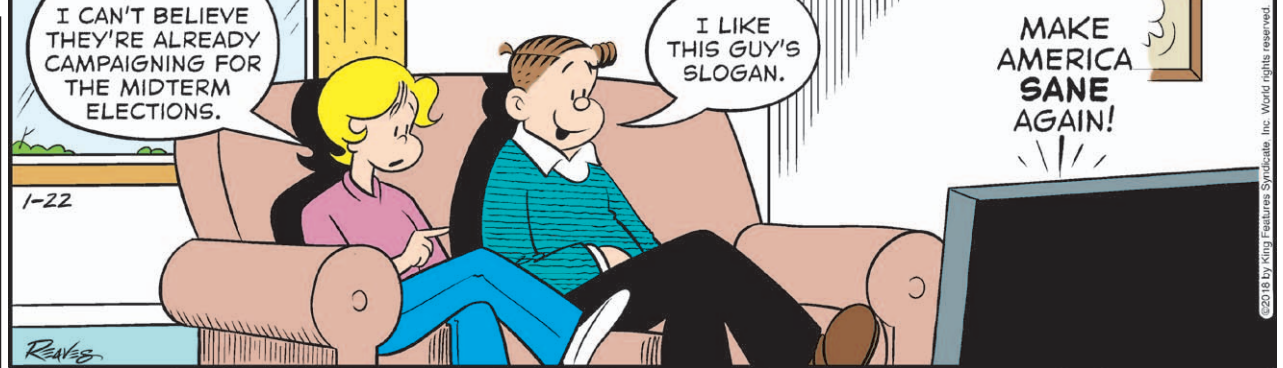
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Yesterday's Challenger Answers

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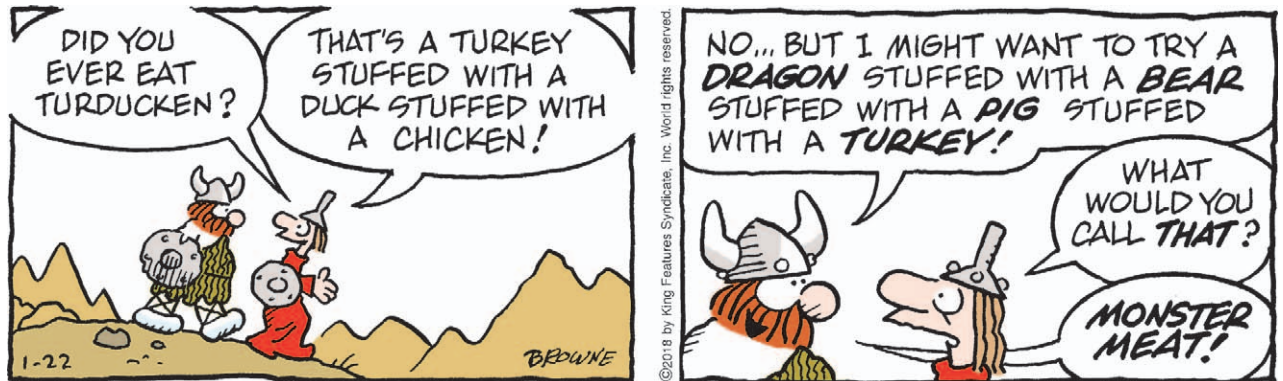
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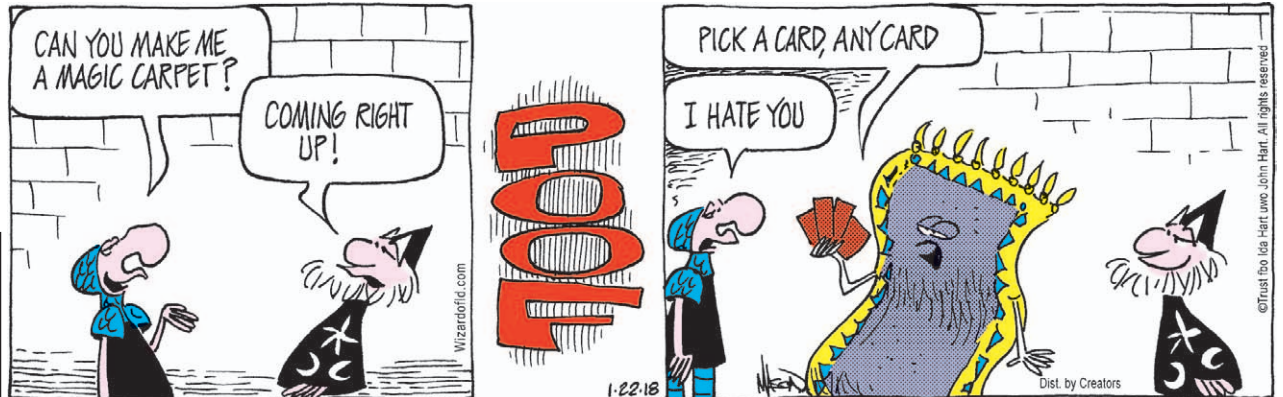
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### Cryptoquip

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 Saturday's Cryptoquip: SMALL, STURDY PONY VARIETY THAT THRIVES BEST IN SWAMPY OR BOGGY REGIONS: THE WETLAND SHETLAND.  
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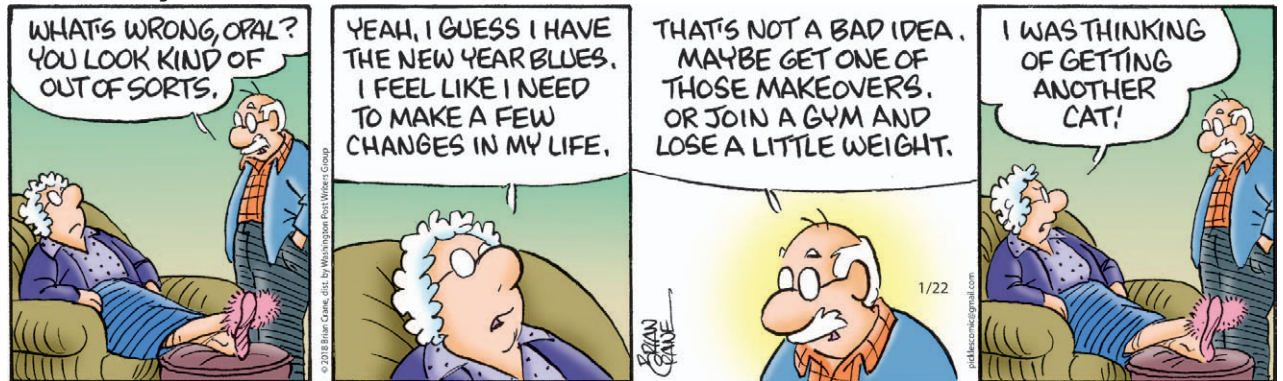
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Saturday's unlisted clue: OMAR  
 Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions - forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.  
 Monday's unlisted clue hint: A FEE FOR USE OF A ROAD

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Breaking	Fancy	Hands	Tax
Care	Frost	Home	Trouble
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### PICKLES By Brian Crane



### B.C. By Mastroianni & Hart



# Job applicant is devastated when dream falls through

**DEAR ABBY:** I recently was rejected for a job that would have turned into a career. I put all my eggs in one basket, so to speak, and told everyone around me during the process that it was looking good. I am humiliated because I now have to tell my peers and co-workers that it didn't work out.



Dear Abby

My confidence is shaken, and I don't know what to do. In my middle school years, I used to know what I wanted to do, but somewhere in high school up to this point (25 years old), I've lost my vision, my dream. How can I find my way again? — IN A SLUMP OUT EAST

**DEAR IN A SLUMP:** The path to success is rarely straight. Most of us learn more from our mistakes than our successes, so take heart. While this experience has been disappointing, you have learned valuable lessons from it.

If you do not wish to stay in your current job, finding your way again may be as simple as inquiring if career counseling is available at your nearest community college. Ask whether aptitude tests are offered, then research what kinds of jobs are available for someone with your qualifications and interests. And when you are again in the running for a new position, keep it to yourself until you have officially accepted it.

**DEAR ABBY:** My daughter married into a wealthy family. Since the beginning, her mother-in-law has used money to control her. Although it bothered me, I didn't say anything.

We now have a granddaughter, and the mother-in-law is controlling how much time we get to see her. Unfortunately, my daughter allows her to do this. What can I do? I am heartsick. — THE OTHER GRANDMA

**DEAR OTHER GRANDMA:** Your mistake was in not speaking up when you first noticed what was going on. If you haven't expressed your feelings, you should. Whether it will lead to any improvements, I can't guarantee. But if it doesn't, and your daughter continues to allow herself to be ruled by her MIL's checkbook, you will have to accept that the daughter you raised has seriously misplaced values.

You are obviously someone with a lot of love to give. A program that has been mentioned before in my column — and that might interest you — is Foster Grandparents, which is sponsored by the Corporation for National and Community Service. The website is national-service.gov. Click on "Programs" and you will find it listed under "Senior Corps."

**DEAR ABBY:** My son is going to have his first communion soon. We don't have the money to have a party — even an inexpensive one — and invite the whole family. I would like to restrict the celebration just to my husband, myself and my child's grandparents. However, I feel bad not inviting his godparents, their siblings and other extended family. How do I tell them they are welcome to stop by the church, but aren't obligated to come, and we won't be having a party? — TRYING TO KEEP IT SIMPLE

**DEAR TRYING:** I don't think it would be rude to explain to your son's godparents and extended family that they are welcome to come by the church for your child's first communion, but because of financial constraints there will be no celebration afterward. It's the truth.

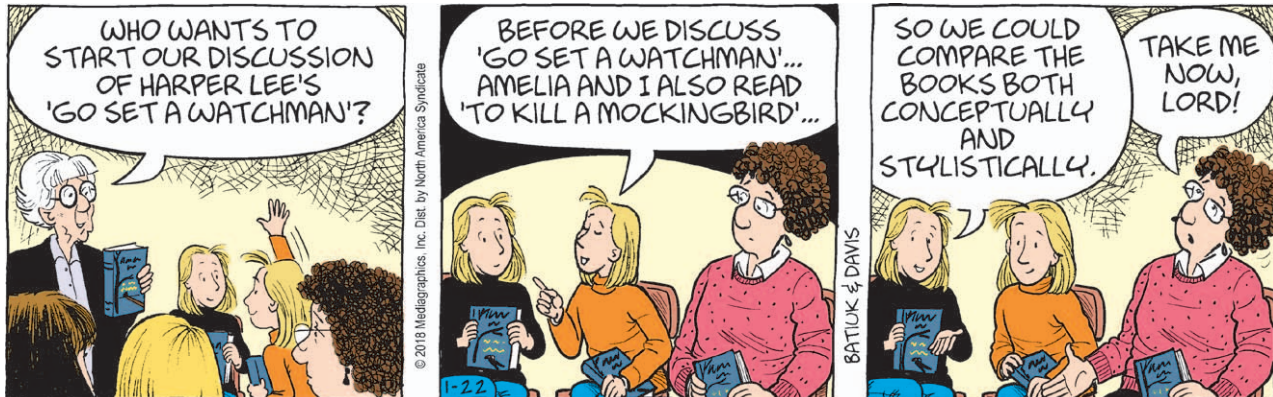
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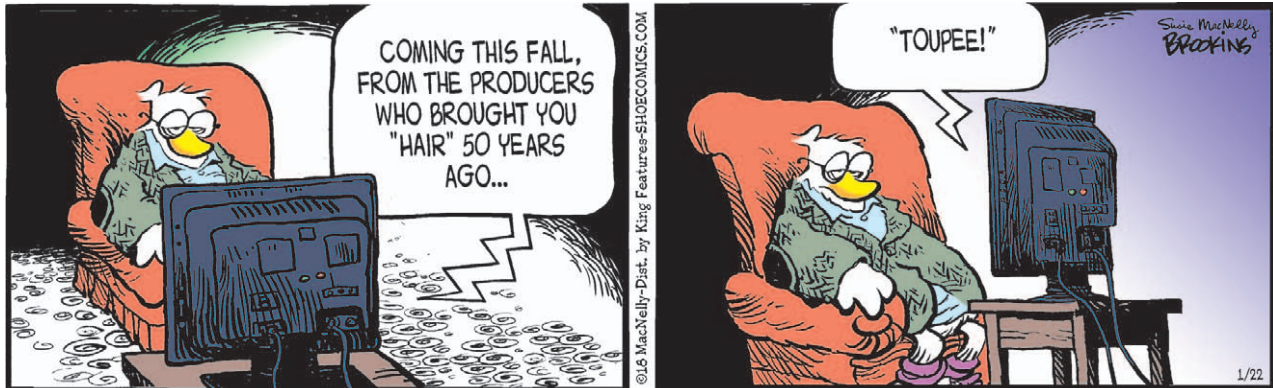
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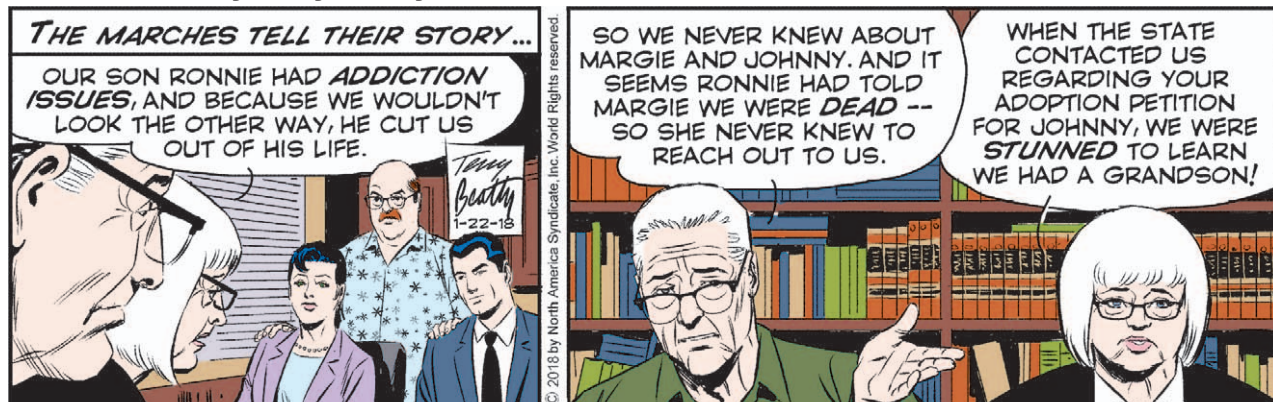
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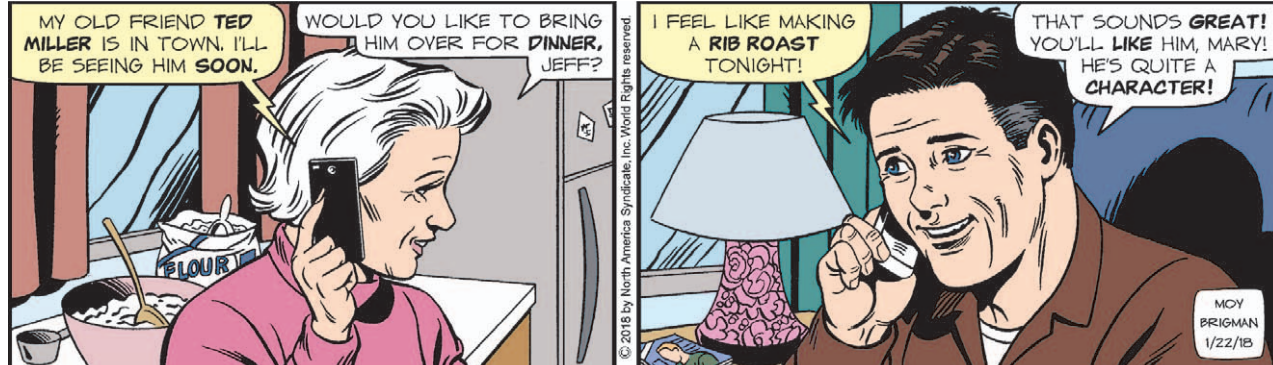
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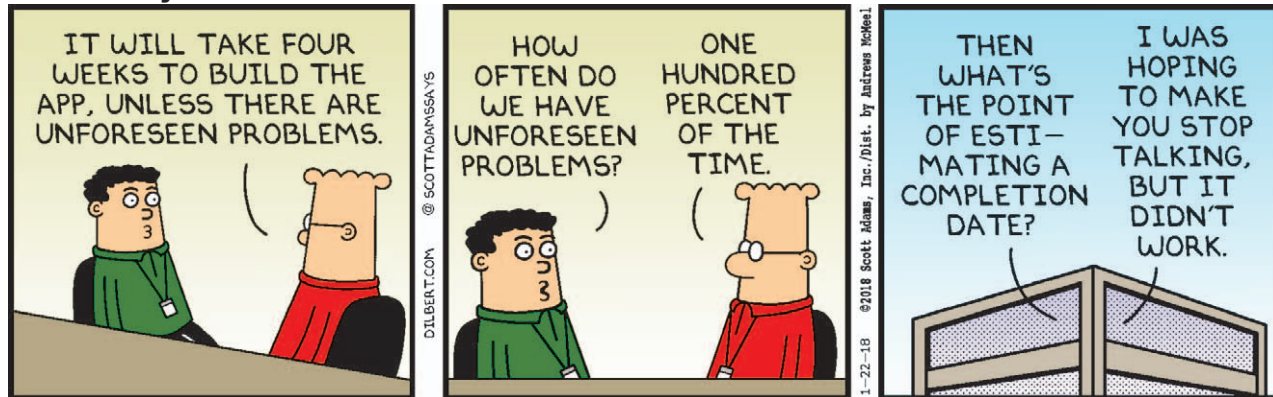
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# Donate your anniversary

**Dear Readers:** Today's sound on is about a nice couple who had a great idea for celebrating their 50th anniversary:

"Dear Heloise: A few years ago, my husband and I celebrated our 50th wedding anniversary. On our invitations to a great and large party, we stated 'please no gifts.' We asked for them to bring pet food and pet supplies. We received hundreds of pounds of pet food (cat and dog), towels, paper towels, blankets, litter and everything possible to help two different shelters. "Maybe we can do it again on our 60th anniversary!" — Barbara P, via email

Barbara, what a wonderful idea! Animal shelters need all kinds of donations, from money to food to blankets. Maybe other people should try this clever way to help animal shelters in their area. — Heloise

### Fast facts

**Dear Heloise:** My husband loves those little mints that come in metal cans, and since they're cute tins, I hate to throw them away. So, I found some uses for them:

- I keep sewing needles in one, and that way they never get lost.
- I store very small beads in them.
- I keep paper clips in one small tin and carry it in my purse.
- I have toothpicks in one that I always carry with me. — Carrie G., Meriden, Conn.

### The answer is 'no'

**Dear Heloise:** My mother said it was inappropriate to wear white to someone else's wedding, but I would like to wear a white dress that I have to a friend's wedding. Is it OK to wear white if I'm not the bride? — Lacy R., Cherry Hill, Va.  
Lacy, only the bride wears white at a wedding. The guests may wear any other color, but never white. — Heloise



Hints from Heloise




**GOOD NEWS TODAY**

# Hidden cameras help scientists study elusive wildlife

By **MEAD GRUVER**  
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CHEYENNE, Wyo. — How does a bighorn sheep say “cheese?”

Some charismatic critters caught by motion-detecting wildlife cameras seem to know how to strike a pose. But it's not just show business. As these devices get ever smaller, cheaper and more reliable, scientists across the U.S. are using them to document elusive creatures like never before.

“There's no doubt — it is an incredible tool to acquire data on wildlife,” said Grant Harris, a U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service wildlife biologist based in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Remote cameras have photographed everything from small desert cats called ocelots to snow-loving lynx high in the Northern Rockies.

Harris cited images of javelinas, pig-like desert mammals, and coaimundi, members of the raccoon family, captured at higher latitudes in recent years.



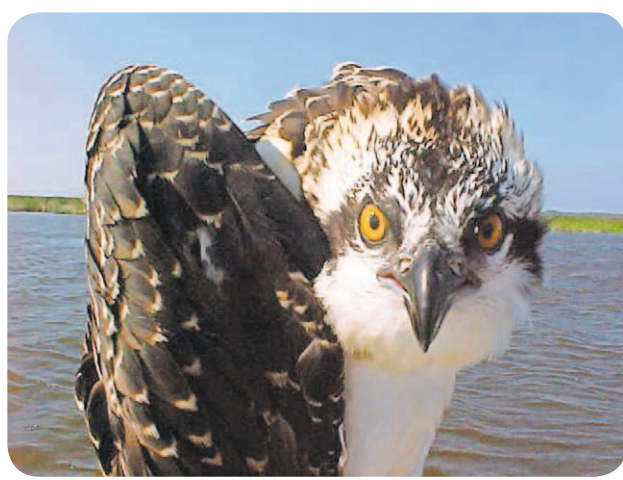
This 2017 photo from a U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service motion-activated camera shows a deer at the DeSoto National Wildlife Refuge in Nebraska.



This 2017 photo from a U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service motion-activated camera shows a black bear at the Florida Panther National Wildlife Refuge.



This 2017 photo from a U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service motion-activated camera shows a moose at the Yukon Flats National Wildlife Refuge in Alaska.



This 2017 photo from a U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service motion-activated camera shows an osprey poses at the Back Bay National Wildlife Refuge in Virginia.

That could mean global warming is expanding their range northward, he said.

Scientists deploying remote cameras include researchers with the Wyoming Migration Initiative, who use global positioning to map the movements of elk, mule deer and antelope in and around Yellowstone National Park. They only have so many collars to track animals, meaning there's a limit to the GPS data they can gather, said Matthew Kauffman, a University of Wyoming associate professor and initiative director.

“You see one animal migrating, you don't know if it's migrating by itself, if it's migrating with a calf, or if it's migrating with 40 other animals,” Kauffman said.

Remote cameras — which can be left in the backcountry for days, weeks or even months — help fill in blanks by showing how many animals are on the move over a given period, he said.

Where to position them requires careful forethought. Clustering several around a watering hole, for instance, might produce many images but not a thorough profile of a population.

“There's this tension between subjectivity in where you put your camera and where it's statistically sound,”

Harris said.

Sometimes smart-alecky humans turn up among the images. “I've seen people moon cameras, and that's always funny,” he said.

Remote video can also reveal details about animal behavior, including the mewling sounds of migrating mule deer. And live-streaming cameras for everything from bison in Saskatchewan, Canada, to the underwater kelp forest off California's Channel Islands are always popular.

As with all human intrusion into nature, remote cameras have downsides. Animals such as wolverines and bears have been known to attack them, though whether out of curiosity or aggression is hard to say.

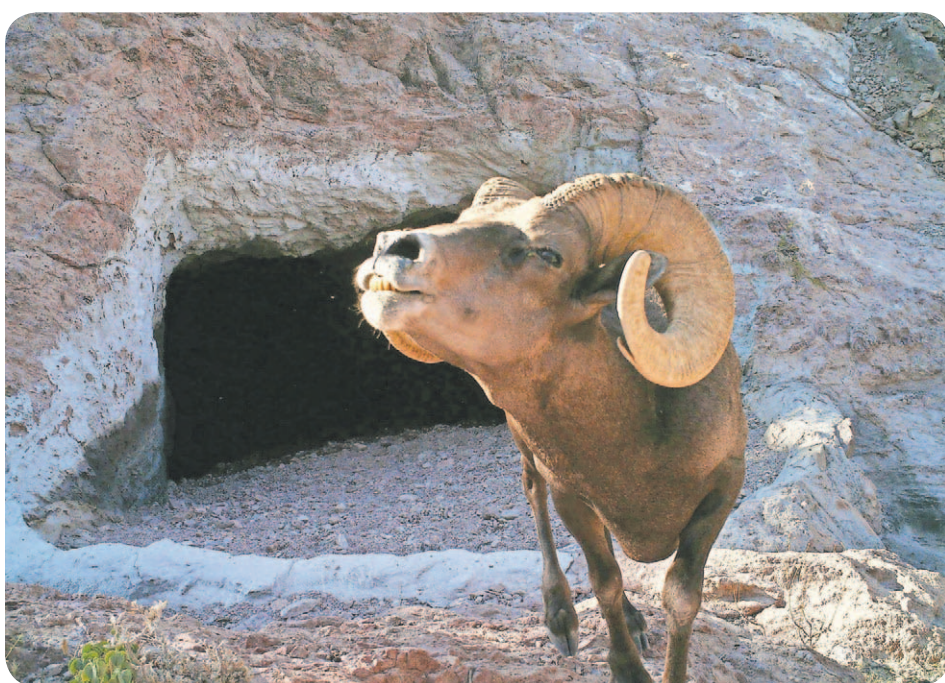
Also, the devices have become popular tools to help hunters scout for game, prompting a debate over fair-chase ethics. Then there's the whole subjective thing about going into nature to get away from it all, including surveillance cameras.

Anyway, to answer the question: A bighorn sheep that looks like it's smiling probably isn't saying “cheese” but sniffing pheromones and other scents in what's called a flehmen response, said Harris.

In other words ... bleats us.



In this 2016 photo from a Wyoming Cooperative Fish and Wildlife Research Unit motion-activated camera, an adult cow moose walks in a snowstorm in the Gros Ventre area of Wyoming.



U.S. FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE VIA AP

This 2013 photo from a U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service motion-activated camera shows a bighorn sheep at the Kofa National Wildlife Refuge in Arizona. Motion-detecting wildlife cameras are yielding serious science as well as amusing photos.



This 2011 photo from a U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service motion-activated camera shows an elephant seal in the Channel Islands National Park off the coast of Southern California.



In this 2014 photo from a Wyoming Migration Initiative motion-activated camera, a pike elk and a cow elk pose for a selfie in the Absaroka Mountains of Wyoming.



This 2017 photo from a U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service motion-activated camera shows a Florida panther at Florida Panther National Wildlife Refuge.



In this 2012 photo from a U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service motion-activated camera, a golden eagle confronts a desert bighorn sheep at Desert National Wildlife Refuge in Nevada.



This 2014 photo from a U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service motion-activated camera shows a black-tailed prairie dog Maxwell National Wildlife Refuge in New Mexico.





## MAGIC UPSET CELTICS

Elfrid Payton had 22 points and the Magic won for just the third time in their last 20 games, overcoming Kyrie Irving's 40 points to beat the Boston Celtics 103-95 on Sunday. **Page 2**

## NHL: Lightning

# What's gone wrong with the Lightning?

By **JOE SMITH**  
Tampa Bay Times

It didn't take the sound of a door slamming in the dressing room Saturday night to sense this Lightning team is frustrated.

Tampa Bay felt like it worked hard – at least, harder than Thursday's listless loss to Vegas – yet dropped another game. That makes five losses in the last seven. More telling, the team has lost its swag.

"We're out of sync," coach Jon Cooper put it. "The guys didn't forget how to play hockey in the last week and a half."

But they forgot how to play the right way.

Gone is that "mojo" Nikita Kucherov often talked about the Lightning having in the first half of the season, when it appeared to be running away with the Eastern Conference. Now Tampa Bay's division lead has shrunk to three points thanks to a surging

Boston team that just might be the class of the conference right now.

It's not time to hit the panic button, but it's getting closer.

Here are some take-aways from Saturday's 5-2 loss in Minnesota:

- Goalie Andrei Vasilevskiy gave up four goals for his fifth straight start (four losses). A couple were blown coverages, but Vasilevskiy doesn't seem to be seeing the puck as well. Vasilevskiy is physically

fine, and seems upbeat when you talk to him. But he hasn't been as good as his All-Star form recently. Might be time for a night off Monday in Chicago.

"I have to be better," Vasilevskiy said. "That's the bottom line."

- Captain Steven Stamkos, who said Thursday it starts with him in terms of leading the way, was a non-factor with zero shots on goal.



AP PHOTO

Lightning goaltender Andrei Vasilevskiy makes a save against the Golden Knights during a game in December in Las Vegas.

SEE LIGHTNING, 2

## NFL: Patriots 24, Jaguars 20

# 'We were almost there'



AP PHOTOS

Jacksonville Jaguars wide receiver Allen Hurns leaves the field after losing the AFC championship to the New England Patriots Sunday in Foxborough, Mass.

## Jaguars collapse seals Patriots' 10th trip to Super Bowl

By **JIMMY GOLEN**  
Associated Press

FOXBOROUGH, Mass. — Jacksonville linebacker Myles Jack put his thumb and forefinger about an inch apart as it sank in for him that the Jaguars had fallen just short — just like the Falcons and the Seahawks and the Rams and so many other Patriots opponents had before.

"Close, man. We were almost there," he said after New England came back to beat Jacksonville 24-20 on Sunday for the franchise's 10th AFC championship.

SEE JAGUARS, 4



Jacksonville Jaguars running back Leonard Fournette (27) leaps over New England Patriots defensive end Trey Flowers (98) during the second half Sunday in Foxborough, Mass.

## NFL: Eagles 38, Vikings 7

# Foles, Eagles fly into Super Bowl, rout Vikes

By **BARRY WILNER**  
Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — Hey Philly, maybe it's time to forget Carson Wentz. Nick Foles might be good enough to win the Eagles their first Super Bowl.

Foles was on fire Sunday night against the stingiest scoring defense in the NFL. Philly made big play after big play on both sides of the ball in a stunning 38-7 rout of the Minnesota Vikings for the NFC championship.

Next up after their most-lopsided playoff victory: the Eagles' first Super Bowl appearance since 2005, against the team that beat them then, AFC champion New England.

Foles replaced the injured Wentz in Game 13 and finished off a rise from last place to first in the NFC East. There were plenty of doubters entering the playoffs, but the former starter in Philadelphia (15-3) under another regime has been brilliant.

His best work might have come against

Minnesota (14-4) and its vaunted defense that was torn apart in every manner. Foles threw for 352 yards and three touchdowns, showing poise, escapability and moxie in going 26 for 33.

In doing so — helped greatly by the Eagles' domination on defense and a spectacular weaving 50-yard interception return TD by Patrick Robinson — Foles ruined the Vikings' hopes of being the first team to play in a Super Bowl in its own stadium

Instead, the Eagles will seek their first Super Bowl crown in Minnesota on Feb. 4; their last championship came in 1960.

**OVER AT HALFTIME:** Minnesota made it look easy at the outset, driving 75 yards on nine plays, each of which gained yardage. The payoff was a 25-yard throw from Case Keenum to Kyle Rudolph well behind linebacker Najee Goode as Philadelphia's defense looked confused on the play.

SEE EAGLES, 4



AP PHOTO

Philadelphia Eagles' Nick Foles celebrates after the NFL football NFC championship game against the Minnesota Vikings Sunday in Philadelphia. The Eagles won 38-7 to advance to Super Bowl LII.

## COLLEGE BASKETBALL: Miami 86, North Carolina State 81

# No. 25 Hurricanes hold off NC State

By **AARON BEARD**  
Associated Press

RALEIGH, N.C. — Miami coach Jim Larranaga and his staff spent recent practices pushing his players to whip the ball around the perimeter, keep things moving and set up each other for good looks.

The results looked pretty good.

Bruce Jr. scored 19 points and No. 25 Miami shot 58 percent to hold off North Carolina



AP PHOTO

North Carolina State's Torin Dorn (2) tries to block the Miami's Ja'Quan Newton (0) during the second half Sunday in Raleigh, N.C.

State 86-81 on Sunday, offensive output since turning in its best November.

Larranaga quickly pointed to one stat to explain why: his team's 26 assists — five more than its previous high — on 34 baskets.

"I wish coaching was that easy, because on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, my coaches kept emphasizing to our players: We need more assists, we need more assists, this is how you get them," Larranaga said. "And the players listened and executed."

SEE MIAMI, 6

## TENNIS: Australian Open

# Madison Keys returns to Aussie Open quarters

Associated Press

MELBOURNE, Australia — Madison Keys has continued her



Keys

strong run through the Australian Open draw, returning to the quarterfinals here for the first time in three years with a 6-3, 6-2 win over Caroline

Garcia on Monday.

The U.S. Open finalist is yet to drop a set at Melbourne Park and is averaging a brisk 62.5 minutes on court through her first four rounds.

Coming into the match against Garcia, she had only dropped 14 games — the second fewest among the women through three rounds, just behind Angelique Kerber's 13 games.

SEE TENNIS, 3

### Florida Lottery

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#### PICK 2

Jan. 21N	.....2-7
Jan. 21D	.....1-5
Jan. 20N	.....4-6
Jan. 20D	.....0-1
Jan. 19N	.....1-2
Jan. 19D	.....1-7
D-Day, N-Night	

#### PICK 3

Jan. 21N	.....1-6-4
Jan. 21D	.....8-9-1
Jan. 20N	.....7-6-0
Jan. 20D	.....9-7-6
Jan. 19N	.....3-2-0
Jan. 19D	.....1-3-6
D-Day, N-Night	

#### PICK 4

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Jan. 20N	.....1-8-6-8
Jan. 20D	.....3-2-6-7
Jan. 19N	.....1-7-6-9
Jan. 19D	.....4-4-2-8
D-Day, N-Night	

#### PICK 5

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Jan. 20D	.....5-2-9-3-0
Jan. 19N	.....6-8-0-5-2
Jan. 19D	.....3-5-0-6-9
D-Day, N-Night	

#### FANTASY 5

Jan. 21	.....4-6-8-24-30
Jan. 20	.....13-14-15-24-35
Jan. 19	.....19-20-23-24-32

PAYOFF FOR Jan. 21  
 0.....5-digit winners.....\$0  
 301..4-digit winners \$555.00  
 9,085..3-digit winners \$14.50

#### CASH FOR LIFE

Jan. 18	.....26-36-42-58-60
Cash Ball	.....1
Jan. 15	.....12-25-31-33-58
Cash Ball	.....4

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 PAYOFF FOR Jan. 18  
 0.....5-of-5 CB.....\$1,000/Day  
 0.....5-of-5..... \$1,000/Week  
 3.....4-of-5 CB.....\$2,500  
 14.....4-of-5.....\$500

#### LUCKY MONEY

Jan. 19	.....10-11-30-33
Lucky Ball	.....1
Jan. 16	.....19-36-39-6
Lucky Ball	.....5

#### LOTTO

PAYOFF FOR Jan. 19  
 0.....4-of-4 LB ..... \$550,000  
 6.....4-of-4.....\$861.00  
 31.....3-of-4 LB .....\$365.00  
 599.....3-of-4.....\$65.50

Jan. 20..... 10-12-20-29-38-49  
 Jan. 17..... 1-15-16-24-33-52  
 Jan. 13..... 27-8-1-22-50-24

#### POWERBALL

PAYOFF FOR Jan. 20  
 0..6-digit winners \$4 million  
 24..5-digit winners \$4,639.50  
 1,138..4-digit winners \$69.50

Jan. 20..... 26-28-47-49-58  
 Powerball..... 3  
 Jan. 17..... 3-33-37-51-57  
 Powerball..... 21

#### MEGA MILLIONS

PAYOFF FOR Jan. 20  
 0.....5 of 5 + PB ... \$78 Million  
 0.....5 of 5 .....\$1 million  
 1.....4 of 5 + PB .....\$50,000  
 25.....4 of 5 .....\$100  
 ESTIMATED JACKPOT  
 \$92 million

Jan. 19..... 3-17-23-49-66  
 Mega Ball ..... 23  
 Jan. 16..... 3-11-23-29-59  
 Mega Ball ..... 18

#### POWERBALL

PAYOFF FOR Jan. 19  
 0.....5 of 5 + MB ... \$50 Million  
 0.....5 of 5 .....\$1 Million  
 1.....4 of 5 + MB .....\$10,000  
 16.....4 of 5 .....\$500  
 ESTIMATED JACKPOT  
 \$55 million

### SPORTS ON TV

**COLLEGE BASKETBALL**  
 7 p.m.  
 CBSN — Holy Cross at American  
 ESPN — North Carolina at Virginia Tech  
 ESPNU — Iowa St. at Texas  
 FS1 — Maryland at Indiana  
 8 p.m.  
 BTN — Nebraska at Ohio St.  
 9 p.m.  
 ESPN — West Virginia at TCU  
 ESPNU — Kansas St. at Baylor  
 FS1 — Michigan St. at Illinois

**GOLF**  
 10 a.m.  
 ESPN2 — Latin America Amateur Championship, third round, at Santiago, Chile  
 2 p.m.  
 GOLF — Web.com Tour, Bahamas Great Abaco Classic, second round, at Great Abaco, Bahamas

**NBA BASKETBALL**  
 8 p.m.  
 NBA — Miami at Houston  
 10:30 p.m.  
 NBA — Minnesota at L.A. Clippers

**NHL HOCKEY**  
 8:30 p.m.  
 NBCSN — Tampa Bay at Chicago

**SOCCER**  
 3 p.m.  
 NBCSN — Premier League, Swansea City vs. Liverpool

**TENNIS**  
 9 p.m.  
 ESPN2 — Australian Open, Men's & Women's quarterfinals, at Melbourne, Australia  
 3 a.m. (Tuesday)  
 ESPN2 — Australian Open, Men's quarterfinal

**WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL**  
 7 p.m.  
 ESPN2 — Ohio St. at Maryland  
 SEC — LSU at Texas A&M

### LIGHTNING

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His goal drought got extended to eight games. Nikita Kucherov was also relatively quiet, a minus-2 making him minus-5 in his past two games. Not the type of performance you need from your best players during a tough stretch.

•Man, this team could really use a faceoff man like the Ducks' Antoine Vermette. The Lightning is 30th in the league in faceoff win percentage, and the trouble in the dot came back to bite them again Saturday. The Wild scored their first goal off a lost defensive zone draw by Tyler Johnson, the second time in as many games an opponent scored seconds after a faceoff.

•The defensive zone coverage is extremely leaky. This is not just on the blueline, which is feeling the loss of injured All-Star Victor Hedman. Twice on Saturday a Wild player was left all alone in front or in the slot on a goal.

“We just have to put more of an emphasis on

it,” wing Alex Killorn said. “We’ve got a lot of offensive guys in this room, but we know we can do it, that’s the good part.”

•There’s some concern over the injury to Andrej Palat, who left Saturday’s game in the third period after taking a dirty spear from the Wild’s Jared Spurgeon. You’d think the NHL Department of Player Safety will take a look at that. Palat’s status for Monday’s game against Chicago is uncertain.

•Thought Mikhail Sergachev played a better game Saturday after admittedly going through his share of struggles. The Lightning went with seven defensemen, but it’s Anton Stralman, Braydon Coburn, Dan Girardi and Sergachev who got a lion’s share of the minutes. Would be shocked if the Lightning doesn’t add another defenseman by the Feb. 26 deadline.

•This was a bit of an improvement over Thursday’s game. There was better effort overall, some quality chances. But that progress is hard to see when it ends up in another loss.

### NBA: Magic 103, Celtics 95

# Magic upset Celtics to win for third time in 20 games

Associated Press

BOSTON — After a near-miss in their last game, the Orlando Magic were rewarded for another solid effort.

Elfrid Payton had 22 points and the Magic won for just the third time in their last 20 games, overcoming Kyrie Irving’s 40 points to beat the Boston Celtics 103-95 on Sunday.

“It feels good to get a win, especially after playing well,” Payton said. “We felt we played well against the Cavs and didn’t come out with the victory. So to get the win today feels good.”

Orlando snapped a 14-game losing streak at Boston. The Magic had lost 10 in a row on the road overall since early December including a one-point loss to Cleveland in its previous game.

Irving sat out Boston’s previous game to rest a sore left shoulder. Despite his efforts, the Celtics dropped their season-worst third straight overall and at home.

“We haven’t played well consistently on both ends for a while now,” Celtics coach Brad Stevens said. “I felt like they were shooting layups for the most part tonight.”



AP PHOTO

Orlando Magic's Elfrid Payton (2) and Evan Fournier (10) reacts on the bench during the fourth quarter Sunday in Boston.

Evan Fournier added 19 and Aaron Gordon had a double-double with 11 points and 12 rebounds for the Magic.

“Was a really good win for us and we are playing really hard right now,” Fournier said. “We almost let it slip, but made a few plays to close the deal and it feels really good.”

Trailing 59-58 at half-time, Orlando outscored the Celtics 32-12 in the third quarter while shooting 60 percent. The Magic held Boston to four field goals, three by Irving, and led 90-71 after three.

“I thought Payton was the leader of the pack,” Magic coach Frank Vogel

said. “The Elfrid in the third quarter was the guy driving the engine.” Jayson Tatum sparked a fourth-quarter run by scoring seven of his nine points to draw the Celtics to 93-84, but both teams traded points and Orlando maintained control the rest of the way.

#### SURE SHOTS

Orlando shot 61 percent on combined 27 of 44 in the second and third quarter. The Magic came into the game 14th in the NBA in field goal percentage.

#### BENCH STRENGTH

Shelvin Mack and D.J. Augustin combined for

20 points as the Magic bench outscored the Celtics 38-8. Boston reserves shot 4 for 19 from the field.

#### TIP-INS

Magic: G Aaron Afflalo completed his two-game suspension and didn’t play. ... Nikola Vucevic missed his 12th game and is hoping to return after the All-Star break. ... Orlando made one of its first 16 shots in the fourth quarter.

Celtics: Marcus Morris (12) scored in double figures for his fourth straight game. Jaylen Brown added 17 for Boston. Boston had been one of five teams not to lose three straight.

### NBA ROUNDUP

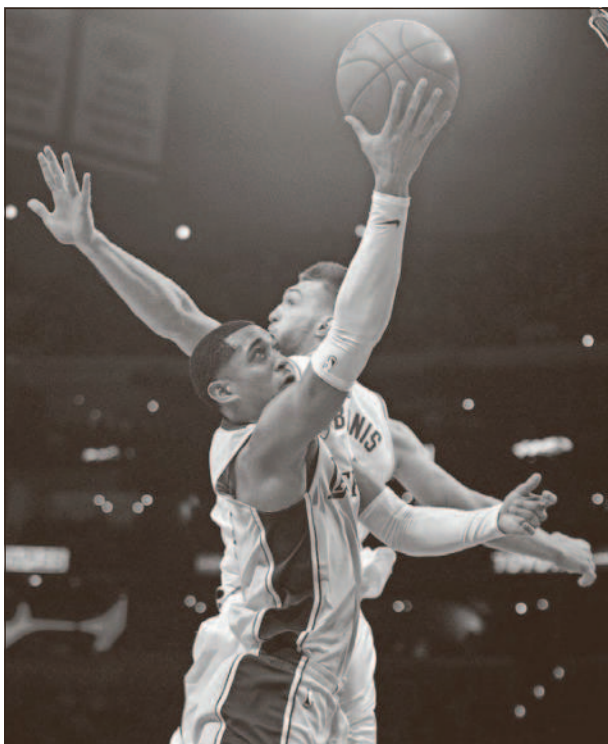
# Clarkson, Lakers run past Knicks late

Associated Press

Jordan Clarkson had 29 points and 10 assists, Julius Randle added 27 points and 12 rebounds, and the Los Angeles Lakers beat the New York Knicks 127-107 on Sunday for their sixth win in eight games.

Kyle Kuzma added 15 points for the Lakers (17-29), who continued their midseason surge of solid play. Rookie point guard Alex Caruso set career highs with nine points and eight assists, making the most of extensive playing time in the absence of injured Lonzo Ball.

Kristaps Porzingis, Tim Hardaway Jr. and Michael Beasley scored 17 points apiece for the Knicks, who have lost 12 of 16. New York slipped to 2-2 on its seven-game trip.



AP PHOTO

Los Angeles Lakers guard Jordan Clarkson, front, goes up for a basket past Indiana Pacers center Domantas Sabonis during the second half Friday in Los Angeles.

**NETS 101, PISTONS 100:** Spencer Dinwiddie’s jumper with 0.9 seconds left lifted the Brooklyn Nets over Detroit, the Pistons’ fifth straight

loss. After a basket by Andre Drummond put the Pistons ahead with 4.7 seconds left, Dinwiddie took the inbounds pass, drove to 14 feet and

drained a jumper against his former teammates. Caris LeVert split a pair of free throws with 13.7 seconds left, giving the Nets a 99-98

### NHL ROUNDUP

# Konecny’s OT goal lifts Flyers past Capitals

Associated Press

The Philadelphia Flyers are already in playoff mode. That was enough to beat the spotty Washington Capitals.

Travis Konecny scored 27 seconds into overtime, and the surging Flyers beat the Capitals 2-1 on Sunday.

Michael Raffl also scored for Philadelphia, and Brian Elliott had 27 saves. The Flyers, who lost 10 consecutive games earlier in the season, have won three in a row and seven of eight to move into playoff position in the Eastern Conference.

“Coming in here and getting a win, it definitely says something about our character,” Konecny said. “There’s just that vibe in the locker room right now. We really want that playoff opportunity and we’re pushing for it.”

Konecny found space in the middle of the offensive zone and his shot deflected off Washington’s T.J. Oshie and past Braden Holtby for his eighth of the season.

Konecny also scored in Saturday’s 3-1 win against New Jersey. Washington began the day with 18 home wins, tied with the Vegas

Golden Knights for the most in the NHL.

“We’re just finding ways to win hockey games,” Konecny said. “It’s a hard road game coming in here and you know they rested yesterday. I don’t know, we’re just keeping things simple and we’re just trusting our abilities.”

**GOLDEN KNIGHTS 5, HURRICANES 1:** James Neal and Jonathan Marchessault scored to help the Vegas Golden Knights beat the Carolina Hurricanes, giving the expansion franchise the best record in the NHL. The Golden Knights are 31-11-4, good for 66

points. That’s one ahead of Tampa Bay, which had the night off. Colin Miller had a goal and two assists, and Marc-Andre Fleury made 27 saves for Vegas. The Golden Knights finished 2-1-1 on this road trip, including a 4-1 win Thursday on the Lightning. Pierre-Edouard Bellemare and Brendan Leipsic also scored for Vegas, which avenged a 3-2 shootout loss to Carolina in December. Neal got his 21st goal of the season, and Marchessault had his 17th. Jaccob Slavin scored for the Hurricanes late in the first period on a power play. Goalie Scott Darling was lifted after allowing three goals on eight shots in the first.

HOCKEY: Jim Johannson

# US hockey GM dies unexpectedly at Colorado Springs home on Sunday

By **STEPHEN WHYNO**  
Associated Press

Longtime USA Hockey executive and U.S. Olympic men's hockey general manager Jim Johannson died unexpectedly Sunday at age 53, shocking the sport less than three weeks before the start of the Pyeongchang Games.

Johannson died away in his sleep at his home in Colorado Springs, according to USA Hockey. His death came in the midst of the most high-profile role in his career: putting together the U.S. men's Olympic hockey team without NHL players going to South Korea, a position he relished after doing so at several world junior and world championships.

"He had a couple of the greatest days of his life at USA Hockey recently to be able to call all these guys that never thought in their lives they'd play on a U.S. Olympic hockey team, and he got to tell them that they realized a dream," USA Hockey executive director Pat Kelleher said by phone. "I think that meant as much to Jimmy as it did to any of the players."

With the NHL out of the Olympics for the first time since 1994, Johannson was excited about putting together a 25-man roster that would include "25 great stories." He picked Tony Granato as coach and on Jan. 1 unveiled a diverse roster made up of players from European professional leagues, the American Hockey League and the NCAA.

Johannson was proud of the unheralded roster, one that will now try to capture a gold medal for him.

"I think it would be huge," former USA Hockey executive director Dave O'Grea said by



AP FILE PHOTO

**Jim Johannson speaks during a 2017 news conference in Plymouth, Mich. Johannson, the general manager of the U.S. Olympic hockey team, has died just a couple weeks before the start of the Pyeongchang Games. He was 53.**

phone. "If we ever had a 'Win one for the Gipper' moment, this is it."

It's unclear who would be in charge of choosing any potential injury replacements if needed. The U.S. opens the Olympics Feb. 14 against Slovenia.

The talent pool now and in other tournaments is deeper in part because of Johannson, who has overseen the growth of hockey in the U.S. beyond the "Miracle On Ice" in 1980. Retired American-born forward Jeremy Roenick said, "USA hockey is a world power now because of people like Jimmy Johannson."

The U.S. won 64 medals, including 34 gold, in major international competition during Johannson's tenure. The Americans in particular became a perennial threat to win the world junior championship, showing the program's improvement at the youth levels.

Carolina Hurricanes president Don Waddell said Johannson "has been a driving force in making both the USA Hockey

men's and women's programs into consistent winners, and 2015 gold-medal-winning world junior coach Phil Housley said Johannson "grew our game to new heights."

"In building the teams that achieved so much success for USA Hockey, Jim Johannson had a sharp eye for talent, a strong sense of chemistry and a relentless pursuit of excellence," NHL commissioner Gary Bettman said. "As we mourn his loss, we will remember the positive outlook Jim brought to his tireless efforts to advance USA Hockey."

Johannson, who played for the U.S. at the 1988 and 1992 Olympics, began working for USA Hockey in 2000 after spending five years as the general manager of the Twin Cities Vulcans in the United States Hockey League. He was promoted to assistant executive director of hockey operations in 2007, overseeing the organization's efforts in fielding teams for international competition. He played college

hockey at Wisconsin and helped the Badgers win the NCAA championship as a freshman. He was selected by Hartford in the seventh round of the 1982 draft and although he never played in the NHL, he was respected and well-liked by those all over hockey.

"We lost a true friend in Jim Johannson today," Granato said. "He was so compassionate and as loyal a friend as you could have. He was the ultimate teammate. I am deeply saddened and shocked and sorry that he is no longer with us. He was a special human being. Please pray for Jim's wife and daughter, Abby and Ellie."

Kelleher said USA Hockey would think about ways to pay tribute to Johannson at the Pyeongchang Games after grieving this loss.

"Today it's really just trying to help his family as best as we can and really just try and honestly put one foot in front of the other," Kelleher said. "We'll have to see what we can do to try and honor him in some fashion."

SPEEDSKATING: World Cup

## Blondin wins 1st speedskating World Cup title

Associated Press

ERFURT, Germany — Ivania Blondin won her first speedskating World Cup title at a classic distance with victory in the women's 3,000 meters on Sunday.

The Canadian, who already had five mass start and two team pursuit golds, finished in 4 minutes, 4.86 seconds to beat Antoinette de Jong of the Netherlands by 0.59 seconds and Czech skater Martina Sablikova by 1.05.

"It's always been a goal

for me," said Blondin, who took the World Cup lead from Sablikova. Blondin has 335 points and Sablikova 320.

Dutch skater Kjeld Nuis matched the 1,000-meter track record for his second title at that distance in as many days. Nuis clocked 1:08.40, beating Norway's Havard Holmejord Lorentzen by 0.26 and Russia's Denis Yuskov by 0.55.

Overall leader Lorentzen earlier won the second men's 500 of the weekend, his third of the season, edging world

champion Jan Smekens of the Netherlands by 0.10 and Alex Boisvert-Lacroix of Canada by 0.15.

Lorentzen also extended his 500 standings lead.

Vanessa Herzog followed Saturday's victory in the women's 500 - her first World Cup title - by winning the women's 1,000 in 1:15.26.

"I could very well get used to winning," the Austrian said.

Norway's Hege Bokko was 0.26 behind in second, ahead of Russia's

Yekaterina Shikhova, 0.80 behind.

Shikhova leads the 1,000 standings on 340 points, ahead of Japan's Nao Kodaira - who didn't race in Erfurt - on 305 and Herzog on 296.

Japan's Miho Takagi still leads the women's overall World Cup standings on 800 points - 100 ahead of Kodaira and 270 ahead of Herzog.

Lorentzen leads the men's overall standings on 640 points, ahead of Yuskov on 595 and Norwegian teammate Sverre Lunde Pedersen on 500.

GOLF ROUNDUP



AP PHOTO

**Spain's Sergio Garcia poses with his trophy after winning the Singapore Open golf tournament at the Sentosa Golf Club Sunday in Singapore.**

## After long day, Garcia wins Singapore Open

Associated Press

SINGAPORE — Sergio Garcia played 27 holes on the last day without dropping a shot to win the Singapore Open by five strokes Sunday in an ominous display of his new found self-belief as he prepares to defend his Masters title.

Still brimming with confidence after claiming his first major title at Augusta National last year, Garcia started his new season with a runaway victory at the Sentosa Golf Club, finishing at 14-under 270.

Returning to the course just after dawn to complete his third round after play was suspended on Saturday because of lightning strikes, Garcia finished his last nine holes in 4-under for a round of 66 to take a one-shot lead into the final round.

With organizers desperate to avert the constant threat of more bad weather and finish the tournament on time, Garcia promptly returned to the first tee shortly after and fired a flawless 3-under 68, cruising to victory with 10 straight pars as his rivals floundered in the stifling humidity.

"It may have looked easy, but it wasn't easy. You still have to hit a lot of good shots out there," Garcia said.

"It's always great to start with a win, to do it here at this golf course against a good field in Asia on conditions that weren't easy. Hopefully I can ride on this momentum."

Garcia's closest rivals at the end were Japan's Satoshi Kodaira (71) and South African Shaun Norris (70). Both birdied the last hole to share second spot but neither was ever close enough on the last day to challenge the leader.

"I could not reach Sergio. I was thinking, 12 or 13 under for the win, but he went beyond that," Kodaira said.

Jazz Janewattananond (71) and his fellow Thai Dhanthai Bonmma (73) finished equal fourth at 8-under, earning themselves a spot in this year's British Open, while American Sean Crocker, who was given an invitation to the event after turning pro late last year, also won a place at Carnoustie by finishing in a tie for sixth.

Garcia made just three bogeys in 72 holes and his victory provided the 38-year-old with the 33rd title of his professional career and his sixth on the Asian Tour.

He has also won three titles in the last 12 months, including the Masters, and his game looks to be in better

shape now than it was a year ago.

He credits the Singapore Open as having played a part in toughening him up for Augusta National because of the steamy conditions and the testing stop-start nature of the tournament, which is regularly stopped because of inclement weather.

Although he finished tied for 11th in Singapore a year ago, Garcia won the Dubai Desert Classic the next week and was in peak form when he won the Masters two months later.

"I'm extremely happy with how the week went. It was a tough day and a tough week, with the stopping and going. Fortunately, the weather held on. Still, it was hard to play 27 holes under this heat and I can't wait to get a cold shower," Garcia said. "I came with some good confidence and wishing that I will play well. I hit the ball solid the whole week and didn't miss many shots."

### Fleetwood retains Abu Dhabi HSBC Championship title

ABU DHABI, United Arab Emirates — Tommy Fleetwood successfully defended his Abu Dhabi HSBC Championship title on Sunday after a sensational back nine to clinch the win.

The 27-year-old Englishman, who celebrated his birthday on Friday, started the final round two shots behind overnight leaders Ross Fisher and Thomas Pieters, and an indifferent front nine saw him make the turn five shots behind Fisher as gusty winds hit the National course of Abu Dhabi Golf Club.

But Fleetwood birdied the 10th, 12th, 13th, 15th, 16th and 18th holes for a seven-under par 65 round to finish on 22-under 267.

Fisher, 37, got off to a fast start when he made an eagle from 45 feet on the par-5 second hole and added two more birdies in his front nine. A bogey on the par-5 10th, which could have easily turned into a double if not for a 25-foot bogey putt, stalled his progress.

Playing two groups ahead of him, Fleetwood had birdied the 10th and 12th holes, but he saved his best golf for the next four holes. On the 13th, he was stymied behind a tree but hit his second shot from the desert to six feet.

The top-ranked European then rolled in a 25-foot putt on the par-3 15th to join Fisher at 20-under, before moving ahead with a 50-foot birdie putt on the 16th hole. He then picked up another shot on the 18th, which proved to be a luxury cushion when Fisher failed to make birdies on the 17th and 18th.

## TENNIS

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Keys could meet Kerber in the quarterfinals if the 21st-seeded German beats Hsieh Su-wei of Taiwan.

Keys is seeded just 17th after undergoing wrist surgery and missing several months on tour last year, but she is playing pain-free again and looking increasingly confident as the tournament goes on.

Keys, the only American woman to reach the fourth round, said she feels like she's playing without pressure since returning from her wrist injury.

"I definitely realize how much I love it and how much pressure I put on myself" in the past, she said. "Just being really



AP PHOTO

**United States' Madison Keys makes a forehand return to France's Caroline Garcia during their fourth round match at the Australian Open Monday in Melbourne, Australia.**

happy to be back out here and not at home in a cast."

She's reached her fourth Grand Slam quarterfinal and her first at the Australian Open since

her breakout run to the semifinals in 2015 as a 19 year old.

Keys lost her serve in the opening game of the match against the eighth-seeded

Garcia, but broke the Frenchwoman five times as she raced through the next two sets. She had 32 winners to just nine for Garcia.

## NFL: Browns Browns meet with Haley about coordinator position

By TOM WITHERS  
Associated Press

CLEVELAND — Todd Haley has experience calling plays, beating AFC North teams and working with star quarterbacks.

Just the kind of coach who could help the Browns win.

Haley, who was fired last week by Pittsburgh, has discussed Cleveland's offensive coordinator position with Browns coach Hue Jackson, according to a person who spoke Sunday to The Associated Press on condition of anonymity because the team is not confirming any interviews.

Haley spent six years with the Steelers before he was let go following a playoff loss to Jacksonville.

Jackson has handled offensive coordinator duties the past two seasons, but after going 0-16, he said he was open to hiring a coordinator. Jackson has previously interviewed Houston quarterbacks coach Sean Ryan and fired New York Giants coach Ben McAdoo about the job.

ESPN first reported the Browns were in "serious talks" with Haley, whose contract expired after the Steelers were stunned 45-42 by the Jaguars.

Jackson is very familiar with the 50-year-old Haley after years spent facing each other as division foes.

Haley worked as Arizona's coordinator and was Kansas City's head coach for two years before joining Mike Tomlin's staff in Pittsburgh.

He occasionally butted heads with Steelers quarterback Ben Roethlisberger, but Haley also oversaw one of the NFL's most elite offenses spearheaded by wide receiver Antonio Brown and running back Le'Veon Bell.

The Browns have struggled to score under Jackson, but Cleveland's offense is set to get an infusion of talent. New general manager John Dorsey is likely to use either the No. 1 or No. 4 overall draft pick on a quarterback this year and the Browns are expected to be \$100 million under the salary cap, money they can use for roster upgrades.

Jackson has overhauled his offensive staff this offseason.

## NFL: Man of the Year

# Watt, Olsen, Watson NFL Man of Year finalists

By BARRY WILNER  
Associated Press

J.J. Watt, Greg Olsen and Benjamin Watson are finalists for the NFL's Walter Payton Man of the Year award.

The recipient of the award that recognizes a player's contribution in his community and to society in general will be revealed on Feb. 3 at NFL Honors, when The Associated Press announces its individual NFL awards.

Houston defensive end Watt, in his seventh NFL season and a three-time Defensive Player of the Year, had the goal of raising \$200,000 for Hurricane Harvey relief in Houston.

His fundraising did a whole lot more, bringing in an incredible \$37 million in 19 days. Watt has dedicated himself to finding organizations that will apply the funds in a way he has promised both donors and victims of the storm.

"For me, this nomination is about so much more than one man," Watt tells The Associated Press. "It's about the hundreds of thousands of people who helped donate to those who went through an extremely difficult time and rose above it all."

"I also know this is about honoring the city



AP FILE PHOTO

Carolina Panthers tight end Greg Olsen (88) warms up prior to an NFL football game against the New York Jets in East Rutherford, N.J.

and its people."

Watt says he noticed something special evolving from his involvement in the fundraising efforts.

"I learned how much good there is in the world, how humanity steps up to the plate when they see fellow humans going through difficult times," he says.

"From my high school and from kids with their lemonade stands ... to seeing people putting aside any differences and rivalries and helping out ... and how they wanted to donate to be good people and help their fellow humans. It shows how much good light

there is in the world."

Carolina tight end Olsen, who just finished his 11th pro season, has put together two initiatives, one to fight breast cancer, the other to help youngsters with a congenital heart defect.

Olsen's mother is a breast cancer survivor, and in 2009 he founded Receptions for Research: The Greg Olsen Foundation. The Foundation's "Receiving Hope" focuses on cancer research and education programming.

In early 2013, Greg and his wife Kara founded the HEART-est Yard Fund after a

routine examination of their unborn son, T.J., revealed the infant had Hypoplastic Left Heart Syndrome (HLHS). It's a family service program administered in conjunction with Levine Children's Hospital in Charlotte.

"We meet with the hospital staff and the nurses and doctors and go into these homes," Olsen explains. "Just to see and hear the families and have them relay the stories about this program and ... what the lives of these families would be like without our program. To hear how it is helping their family

life and family dynamic is something far beyond what we imagined.

"It's been fun watching it grow and have such an impact."

Baltimore tight end Watson, a 14-year pro, assists countless people through his charitable arm, the One More Foundation.

Most recently, One More partnered with the International Justice Mission (IJM), the world's largest international anti-slavery organization working to combat human trafficking, modern day slavery and other forms of violence against the poor. Benjamin and his wife, Kirsten, joined the global fight to end the scourge of sex trafficking.

"There are 2 million children worldwide involved in sex traffic and exploitation," he says. "This slavery issue is really a big deal that kind of goes on unnoticed and unheralded."

"People want to help, a lot of times people don't know how. The problems of the world seem so overwhelming that they do not know where to start. We provide people the opportunity to do something for someone."

"Whenever you help somebody, they end up helping you and you learn as much from them as they do from you."

## JAGUARS

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"On the one hand, we could have won the game. But on the other, Tom Brady is Tom Brady," Jack said. "We got Tom Bradyed again."

Entering the game as a ½-point underdog, the Jaguars opened a 20-10 lead early in the fourth quarter against the defending Super Bowl champions. No team had ever rallied from a double-digit, fourth quarter in the AFC title game.

But then, no team has Bill Belichick on the sideline, Brady lining up behind the center and a resume full of big-game comebacks going back to their first Super Bowl win 16 years ago.

"That's what those guys do, and they do it very well," Jaguars coach Doug Marrone said. "And that's why they're moving on."

Blake Bortles completed 23 of 36 passes for 293 yards and a touchdown, Leonard Fournette ran for 76 yards and a touchdown and Allen Hurns had six catches for 80 yards for



AP PHOTO

Jacksonville Jaguars cornerback A.J. Bouye leaves the field after losing the AFC championship game to the New England Patriots Sunday in Foxborough, Mass.

Jacksonville (12-7).

Bortles, who had never won a playoff game before this month, had outplayed Brady through three quarters, with a quarterback rating of 121.9 to the five-time NFL champion's 87.5.

But Bortles said he didn't allow himself to start thinking about making it to the Super Bowl.

"I don't think you can, especially when playing Tom Brady and

the Patriots," he said.

"Because they're going to score. They're going to find a way to put pressure on you."

Jacksonville took a 20-10 lead on Josh Lambo's field goal on the second play of the fourth quarter. Jack then forced the only turnover of the game — ripping the ball from Dion Lewis' hands after a 20-yard reception that would have put the Patriots at the Jaguars 33.

Jacksonville went three-and-out, but then Marcell Dareus sacked Brady. On third-and-18 from the New England 25, Brady hit Danny Amendola for 21 yards. On the next play, Brady handed off to James White, who pitched it back to the quarterback, and he lofted a pass over Jack to seldom-used receiver Phillip Dorsett for 31 yards and his only catch of the game.

Three plays later,

Amendola scampered into the end zone on the first of his two fourth-quarter touchdowns catches that sent New England to its eighth Super Bowl since Brady and Belichick teamed up in Foxborough.

"We were getting three-and-outs, three-and-outs, three-and-outs. And then they just found it," Jack said. "They don't stop playing until the game is over."

Jacksonville punted on its next two possessions, and Amendola returned the second for 20 yards to give New England the ball at the Jaguars 30-yard line, down 20-17, with just under five minutes remaining. Brady completed two passes to get the ball inside the 10, scrambled for 2 more and then found Amendola at the back of the end zone for the game-winner.

"Man, it hurts. It stings a lot," said defensive lineman Calais Campbell, who sought out Brady on the field after the game to congratulate him. "He's the best player to ever play the game. I've got so much respect for him ... I wanted to make sure he knew it."

## EAGLES

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That didn't happen again for Philly.

Defensive end Chris Long had a huge hand in Robinson's 50-yard interception return. Long burst in from the left side and got his arm on Keenum to disrupt the throw for Adam Thielen. The ball went directly to Robinson, who sped down the left side, then made a sharp cut to the right and got a superb block from Ronald Darby to reach the end zone.

Inspired, Philly's D forced a three-and-out, the Foles led the Eagles on a 12-play, 75-yard masterpiece of a drive. LeGarrette Blount showed all his power and escapability on an 11-yard surge up the middle for a 14-7 lead.

Turnovers, something



AP PHOTO

Philadelphia Eagles' Corey Graham reacts after intercepting a pass during the second half of the NFL football NFC championship game against the Minnesota Vikings Sunday in Philadelphia.

Minnesota rarely committed with an NFC-low

14 during the season, hurt again and not only

ended a solid drive, but set up more Philly points.

On third down from the Eagles 15, Keenum was blindsided by rookie Derek Barnett, and the ball bounced directly to Long.

It was only the second strip-sack the Vikings have been victimized by all season.

A blown coverage — another rarity for Minnesota — on third-and-10 allowed Alshon Jeffery to get wide open for a 53-yard TD, and Philadelphia tacked on Elliott's 38-yard field goal to make it 24-3 at halftime.

**DANCING IN THE LINC:** Fifty seconds into the final quarter, with the score 38-7, Eagles players on the sideline and waiting to kick off on the field were dancing up a storm and fans were chanting "We want Brady."

They get Tom Brady and company in two weeks.

**BACK TO THE BIG GAME:** Long won the Super Bowl last year with the Patriots, as did Blount. Now they return on the other side.

**QUICK DRIVE:** Philadelphia got the ball with 29 seconds remaining in the first half at its 20. Foles hit passes of 11 yards to Jay Ajayi, 36 to Ertz and 13 to Ajayi before Elliott's field goal to end the half.

**THIRD DOWNS:** Minnesota was the league's best team defending third downs and was third in converting them. Yet Philadelphia went 10 for 14.

**NEXT UP:** Minnesota returns home to watch two other teams play at its stadium for the Lombardi Trophy.

With the entire stadium singing "Fly Eagles Fly" during the NFC trophy ceremony, Philadelphia can look forward to facing New England in Super Bowl 52 on Feb. 4

SCOREBOARD

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NFL PLAYOFF RESULTS/SCHEDULE

All times Eastern (National TV in parentheses) Wild-card Playoffs Jan. 6 Tennessee 22, Kansas City 21 Atlanta 26, Los Angeles Rams 13 Jan. 7 Jacksonville 10, Buffalo 3 New Orleans 31, Carolina 26

Divisional Playoffs Jan. 13 Philadelphia 15, Atlanta 10 New England 35, Tennessee 14 Jan. 14 Jacksonville 45, Pittsburgh 42 Minnesota 29, New Orleans 24

Conference Championships Sunday AFC: New England 24, Jacksonville 20 NFC: Philadelphia 38, Minnesota 7

Pro Bowl Sunday, Jan. 28 at Orlando, Fla. AFC vs. NFC, 3 p.m. (ESPN/ABC)

Super Bowl LI Sunday, Feb. 4 at Minneapolis, Minn. New England vs. Philadelphia, 6:30 p.m. (NBC)

AFC CHAMPIONSHIP PATRIOTS 24, JAGUARS 20 JACKSONVILLE 0 14 3 3 - 20 NEW ENGLAND 3 7 0 14 - 24

First Quarter NE—FG Gostkowski 31, 9:21. Second Quarter Jac—M.Lewis 4 pass from Bortles (Lambo kick), 14:15. Jac—Fournette 4 run (Lambo kick), 7:06. NE—White 1 run (Gostkowski kick), :55. Third Quarter Jac—FG Lambo 54, 10:23. Fourth Quarter Jac—FG Lambo 43, 14:52. NE—Amendola 9 pass from Brady (Gostkowski kick), 8:44. NE—Amendola 4 pass from Brady (Gostkowski kick), 2:48. A—65,878.

First downs 22 NE 22 Jacksonville 374 Jacksonville 32-101 19-46 RUSHING—Jacksonville, Fournette 24-76, Yeldon 5-25, Grant 1-2, Bortles 2-(minus 2). New England, D.Lewis 9-34, Burkhead 1-5, White 3-4, Amendola 1-3, Brady 5-0. PASSING—Jacksonville, Bortles 23-36-0-293. New England, Brady 26-38-0-290, Amendola 1-1-0-20. RECEIVING—Jacksonville, Hurns 6-80, M.Lee 4-41, Grant 3-59, Cole 2-37, Fournette 2-13, Yeldon 2-6, Westbrook 1-29, Bohanon 1-20, O'Shaughnessy 1-4, M.Lewis 1-4. New England, Amendola 7-84, D.Lewis 7-32, Cooks 6-100, White 3-22, Hogan 2-20, Dorsett 1-31, Gronkowski 1-21. MISSED FIELD GOALS—None.

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MISSED FIELD GOALS—None. NFC Championship Eagles 38, Vikings 7 MINNESOTA 7 0 0 0 - 7 PHILADELPHIA 7 17 7 7 - 38 First Quarter Min—Rudolph 25 pass from Keenum (Forbath kick), 10:14. Phi—Robinson 50 interception return (Elliott kick), 6:26. Second Quarter Phi—Blount 11 run (Elliott kick), 13:37. Phi—Jeffery 53 pass from Foles (Elliott kick), 1:09. Phi—FG Elliott 38, :00. Third Quarter Phi—T.Smith 41 pass from Foles (Elliott kick), 10:05. Fourth Quarter Phi—Jeffery 5 pass from Foles (Elliott kick), 14:10. A—69,596.

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Individual Statistics RUSHING—Minnesota, McKinnon 10-40, Murray 6-18, Keenum 1-8, Wright 1-4. Philadelphia, Ajayi 18-73, Blount 6-21, Clement 2-0, Agholu 1-0, Sudfeld 3-(minus 4). PASSING—Minnesota, Keenum 28-48-2-271. Philadelphia, Foles 26-33-0-352. RECEIVING—Minnesota, McKinnon 11-86, Diggs 8-70, Wright 3-51, Thielen 3-28, Murray 2-11, Rudolph 1-25. Philadelphia, Ertz 8-93, Jeffery 5-85, T.Smith 5-69, Agholu 3-59, Ajayi 3-26, Burton 1-12, Clement 1-8. MISSED FIELD GOALS—None.

MAGIC 103, CELTICS 95 ORLANDO 103, BOSTON 29 30 32 13 -103 BOSTON 29 30 12 24 - 95 3-Point Goals—Orlando 6-21 (Fournier 3-6, Speights 1-1, Jordan 1-3, Augustin 1-3), Payton 0-1, Ivundu 0-1, Gordon 0-3, Simmons 0-3), Boston 8-27 (Irving 5-7, Horford 1-2, Brown 1-3, Tatum 1-4, Smart 0-1, Ojeleye 0-2, Morris 0-3, Rozier 0-5). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Orlando 44 (Gordon 13), Boston 44 (Tatum 10). Assists—Orlando 20 (Gordon, Simmons, Mack 4), Boston 22 (Horford 6). Total Fouls—Orlando 19, Boston 18. Technicals—Fournier, A.—18,624 (18,624).

LAKERS 127, KNICKS 107 NEW YORK (107) Hardaway Jr. 5-12 2-3 17, Porzingis 7-13 1-3 17, Kanter 6-9 0-12, Lee 7-12 0-16, Jack 3-11 0-0-6, Beasley 7-9 2-17, McDermott 1-3 0-0-3, Thomas 0-0 0-0 0, O'Quinn 2-3 2-2 6, Hermangomez 1-1 0-0 2, Burke 2-4 0-4, Ntilikina 3-4 0-0 7, Baker 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 44-81 7-10 107. L.A. LAKERS (127) Ingram 4-13 2-13, Randle 11-17 5-6 27, Lopez 5-9 0-14, Ennis 0-2 0-0 0, Hart 0-1 0-0 0, Kuzma 6-8 1-3 15, Brewer 3-6 0-0 7, Nance Jr. 5-9 3-4 13, Hayes 0-0 0-0 0, Zubac 0-0 0-0 0, Bryant 1-1 0-0 3, Caruso 4-6 0-0 9, Clarkson 12-19 4-5 29. Totals 51-91 15-21 127.

NEW YORK 29 34 26 18 -107 L.A. LAKERS 30 37 30 30 -127 3-Point Goals—New York 12-25 (Hardaway Jr. 5-9, Porzingis 2-2, Lee 2-4, Ntilikina 1-1, Beasley 1-2, McDermott 1-3, Jack 0-4), L.A. Lakers 10-26 (Lopez 4-6, Kuzma 2-4, Bryant 1-1, Caruso 1-1, Brewer 1-4, Clarkson 1-5, Randle 0-1, Hart 0-1, Ennis 0-1, Ingram 0-2). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—New York 34 (Kanter 14), L.A. Lakers 39 (Randle 12). Assists—New York 32 (Jack 10), L.A. Lakers 31 (Clarkson 10). Total Fouls—New York 20, L.A. Lakers 18. Technicals—Porzingis, A.—18,997 (19,060).

NETS 101, PISTONS 100 BROOKLYN (101) Carroll 6-15 2-12, Hollis-Jefferson 8-15 3-4 21, Zeller 2-4 1-1 5, Dinwiddie 9-13 0-0 22, Crabbe 2-5 0-6, Acy 1-5 0-4 3, Okafor 1-3 0-0 2, Allen 1-1 0-0 2, Russell 1-5 0-0 3, LeVert 2-7 5-9 9, J.Harris 4-7 3-4 12. Totals 37-80 14-20 101. DETROIT (100) Bullock 3-5 0-0 7, T.Harris 8-18 3-20, Drummond 3-8 1-2 7, Smith 4-11 2-2 11, Bradley 3-12 1-1 7, Johnson 6-11 5-18, Tolliver 2-5 2-7, Moreland 1-2 0-0 2, Galloway 3-9 1-2 8, Kennard 5-9 0-0 13. Totals 38-90 15-17 100.

BROOKLYN 30 23 24 24 -101 DETROIT 30 28 20 32 -100 3-Point Goals—Brooklyn 13-31 (Dinwiddie 4-6, Crabbe 2-3, Hollis-Jefferson 2-4, Carroll 2-7, Acy 1-3, Russell 1-3, J.Harris 1-3, LeVert 0-2), Detroit 9-29 (Kennard 3-6, Smith 1-2, Johnson 1-3, Galloway 1-3, Bullock 1-3, T.Harris 1-4, Tolliver 1-4, Drummond 0-1, Bradley 0-3). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Brooklyn 46 (Zeller 9), Detroit 43 (Drummond 13). Assists—Brooklyn 23 (Hollis-Jefferson 7), Detroit 21 (T.Harris, Galloway 5). Total Fouls—Brooklyn 18, Detroit 19. A.—17,554 (21,000).

PACERS 94, SPURS 86 INDIANA (94) Bogdanovic 3-9 4-10, T.Younge 6-13 2-2 14, Sabonis 2-8 5-6 9, Collison 6-12 2-2 15, Oladipo 8-14 2-2 19, Leaf 0-1 0-0 0, Jefferson 4-10 1-1 9, Joseph 4-8 0-0 9, T.Younge 1-0 0-0 0, Stephenson 4-7 0-9. Totals 37-83 16-17 94.

from Grand Rapids (AHL). NEW JERSEY DEVILS — Placed F Brian Gibbons and G Keith Kinkaid on injured reserve, retroactive to Saturday. NEW YORK ISLANDERS — Assigned G Eamon McAdam from Bridgeport (AHL) to Worcester (ECHL). TAMPA BAY LIGHTNING — Recalled D Matt Spencer from Adirondack (ECHL) to Syracuse (AHL). VANCOUVER CANUCKS — Assigned D Anton Cederholm from Utica (AHL) to Kalamazoo (ECHL). American Hockey League BRIDGEPORT SOUND TIGERS — Assigned D Mike Cornell and F Jeff Kubiak to Worcester (ECHL). CLEVELAND MONSTERS — Assigned F Bobby MacIntyre to Jacksonville (ECHL). SPRINGFIELD THUNDERBIRDS — Assigned F Francois Beauchemin to Manchester (ECHL). ECHL ADIRONDACK THUNDER — Released G Joe Spadaccini as emergency backup. ATLANTA GLADIATORS — Added G Greg Ozurko as emergency backup. GREENVILLE SWAMP RABBITS — Signed G Zoltan Hetenyi and D Tyler Palmer. Released G Nolan Bowker as emergency backup. KALAMAZOO WINGS — Released G Dave Desander as emergency backup. NORFOLK ADMIRALS — Released D Don Olivieri. QUAD CITY MALLARDS — Signed D Jared Nightingale. WORCESTER RAILERS — Released F Tommy Kelley.

SAN ANTONIO (86) Anderson 4-6 0-0 10, Aldridge 5-14 0-0 10, Gasol 6-8 2-3 14, Murray 3-8 2-8, Green 2-9 0-0 5, Bertans 3-12 0-0 7, Mills 3-7 0-8, White 0-0 0-0 0, Forbes 4-8 2-5 12, Parker 5-10 1-2 12, Paul 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 35-82 7-12 86. INDIANA 22 24 25 23 - 94 SAN ANTONIO 23 20 16 27 - 86 3-Point Goals—Indiana 4-19 (Stephenson 1-1, Oladipo 1-2, Joseph 1-3, Collison 1-3, Leaf 0-1), T.Younge 0-1, Sabonis 0-2, Bogdanovic 0-3, T.Younge 0-3), San Antonio 9-34 (Anderson 2-4, Forbes 2-5, Mills 2-6, Parker 1-2, Green 1-5, Bertans 1-8, Murray 0-1, Aldridge 0-1, Gasol 0-2). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Indiana 41 (Stephenson 8), San Antonio 45 (Aldridge 10). Assists—Indiana 14 (T.Younge, Collison 4), San Antonio 24 (Parker 5). Total Fouls—Indiana 15, San Antonio 14. A.—18,118 (18,418).

COLLEGE BASKETBALL MEN'S BASKETBALL THE AP TOP 25 RESULTS Saturday's Games No. 1 Villanova 81, UConn 61 No. 3 Purdue 87, Iowa 64 Oklahoma State 83, No. 4 Oklahoma 81, OT No. 5 Duke 81, Pittsburgh 54 No. 6 West Virginia 86, Texas 51 Houston 73, No. 7 Wichita State 59 Iowa State 70, No. 8 Texa Tech 52 No. 10 Kansas 70, Baylor 67 No. 11 Xavier 73, No. 19 Seton Hall 64 No. 12 Cincinnati 86, Santa Carolina 60 No. 13 Gonzaga 75, East Carolina 60 No. 14 Arizona 73, Stanford 71 No. 15 North Carolina 80, Georgia Tech 66 No. 16 Arizona State 81, California 73 No. 17 Auburn 79, Georgia 65 Florida 66, No. 18 Kentucky 64 No. 20 Clemson 67, Notre Dame 58 No. 21 Tennessee 70, South Carolina 63 No. 22 Ohio State 67, Minnesota 49 Kansas State 73, No. 24 Texas Christian 68

Sunday's Games No. 2 Virginia 59, Wake Forest 49 No. 23 Michigan 62, Rutgers 47 No. 25 Miami 86, North Carolina State 81

SUNDAY'S RESULTS EAST Albany (NY) 83, UMB-C 39 Canisius 84, Iona 82 Manhattan 68, St. Peter's 57 Mass.-Lowell 79, Binghamton 71 New Hampshire 53, Stony Brook 51 Quinnipiac 76, Siena 69 Vermont 76, Hartford 53 SOUTH Campbell 59, Radford 56 Charleston Southern 83, Gardner-Webb 68 High Point 75, Longwood 55 Louisville 77, Boston College 69 Miami 86, NC State 81 UNC-Asheville 94, Liberty 68 Virginia 59, Wake Forest 49 Winthrop 81, Presbyterian 68 MIDWEST Loyola of Chicago 70, Valparaiso 54 Michigan 62, Rutgers 47 S. Illinois 64, N. Iowa 53

SOUTHWEST No games scheduled FAR WEST Hawaii 77, UC Davis 72 UC Santa Barbara 70, UC Irvine 58 Utah 82, Washington St. 69

TODAY'S SCHEDULE EAST Holy Cross at American U., 7 p.m. NC Central at Md.-Eastern Shore, 7:30 p.m. SOUTH North Carolina at Virginia Tech, 7 p.m. NC A&T at Howard, 7:30 p.m. Delaware St. at Morgan Sta., 7:30 p.m. Hampton at SC State, 7:30 p.m. Norfolk St. at Savannah St., 8 p.m. Alabama St. at Alcorn St., 8 p.m. Appalachian St. at Troy, 8:15 p.m. Alabama A&M at Southern U., 8:30 p.m. MIDWEST Maryland at Indiana, 7 p.m. Nebraska at Ohio St., 8 p.m. Michigan St. at Illinois, 9 p.m. SOUTHWEST Iowa St. at Texas, 7 p.m. Ark.-Pine Bluff at Texas Southern, 8:30 p.m. MVSU at Prairie View, 8:30 p.m. Kansas St. at Baylor, 9 p.m. West Virginia at TCU, 9 p.m. FAR WEST No games scheduled

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL THE AP TOP 25 RESULTS Saturday's Games No. 4 Baylor 75, Kansas State 50 No. 9 Texas 90, Texas Tech 39 No. 17 West Virginia 69, Iowa State 59 No. 19 Michigan 86, Illinois 42 No. 23 Green Bay 81, Oakland 48 No. 24 Oklahoma State 70, Oklahoma 67 Sunday's Games No. 12 Florida State 50, No. 2 Louisville 49 No. 3 Mississippi State 71, No. 6 Tennessee 52 No. 5 Notre Dame 90, Clemson 37 No. 7 Oregon 75, No. 18 Oregon State 63 No. 10 South Carolina 81, Kentucky 64 No. 11 Missouri 88, Arkansas 54 No. 13 UCLA 64, Stanford 53 North Carolina 92, No. 15 Duke 86 Orlando 77, No. 20 Iowa 72 No. 21 California 62, Southern California 59 No. 22 Arizona State 73, Colorado 59 Nebraska 52, No. 25 Rutgers 42

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to Toronto, 7 p.m. Ottawa at Minnesota, 8 p.m. Tampa Bay at Chicago, 8:30 p.m. Buffalo at Calgary, 9 p.m. N.Y. Islanders at Arizona, 9 p.m. Tuesday's Games Carolina at Pittsburgh, 7 p.m. New Jersey at Boston, 7 p.m. Philadelphia at Detroit, 7:30 p.m. Colorado at Montreal, 7:30 p.m. Ottawa at St. Louis, 8 p.m. Tampa Bay at Nashville, 8 p.m. Florida at Dallas, 8:30 p.m. Buffalo at Edmonton, 9 p.m. Columbus at Vegas, 10 p.m. N.Y. Rangers at Anaheim, 10 p.m. Los Angeles at Vancouver, 10 p.m. Winnipeg at San Jose, 10:30 p.m.

FLYERS 2, CAPITALS 1, OT PHILADELPHIA 0 1 0 1 - 2 WASHINGTON 0 1 0 0 - 1 First Period—None. Penalties—Backstrom, WSH, (hooking), 5:07. Second Period—1, Philadelphia, Raffl 9 (Filipula, MacDonald), 6:12. 2, Washington, Ovechkin 29 (Carlson, Oshie), 19:44 (pp). Penalties—Wilson, WSH, (tripping), 0:10; Goulbourne, PHI, (hooking), 14:15; Giroux, PHI, (slashing), 19:00. Third Period—None. Penalties—Voracek, PHI, (unsportsmanlike conduct), 4:49; Kuznetsov, WSH, (unsportsmanlike conduct), 4:49; Oshie, WSH, (tripping), 8:20; Raffl, PHI, (tripping), 14:40. Overtime—3, Philadelphia, Konecny 8 (Provorov, Couturier), 0:27. Penalties—None. Shots on Goal—Philadelphia 8-10-4-1-23. Washington 10-10-8-28.

Power-play opportunities—Philadelphia 0 of 3; Washington 1 of 3. Goals—Philadelphia, Elliott 18-11-7 (28 shots-27 saves). Washington, Holtby 24-9-2 (23-21). A—18,506 (18,277). T—2:26. Referees—Eric Furlatt, Jean Hebert. Linesmen—David Berg, Brian Mach.

GOLDEN KNIGHTS 5, HURRICANES 1 VEGAS 3 1 1 - 5 CAROLINA 1 0 0 - 1 First Period—1, Vegas, Bellemare 5 (Tuch, Carrier), 2:55. 2, Vegas, Miller 6 (Perron, Haula), 12:20 (pp). 3, Vegas, Marchessault 17 (Karlsson, McNabb), 12:59. 4, Carolina, Slavin 4 (Williams, Skinner), 19:15 (pp). Penalties—Bellemare, VGK, (tripping), 3:08; Faulk, CAR, (interference), 11:34; Vegas bench, served by Neal (1), 13:12; Lindholm, CAR, (roughing), 19:01; Marchessault, VGK, (roughing), 19:01; Marchessault, VGK, served by Neal, (roughing), 19:01. Second Period—5, Vegas, Neal 21 (Miller, Hunt), 13:42 (pp). Penalties—Faulk, CAR, (interference), 0:33; Rask, CAR, (slashing), 12:04; Williams, CAR, (high sticking), 19:30. Third Period—6, Vegas, Leipsic 2 (Miller), 10:20. Penalties—Haula, VGK, (hooking), 6:51. Shots on Goal—Vegas 9-10-14-33. Carolina 10-10-8-28.

Power-play opportunities—Vegas 2 of 4; Carolina 1 of 4. Goals—Vegas, Fleury 11-3-2 (28 shots-27 saves). Carolina, Darling 9-13-6 (8-5), Ward 12-5-2 (25-23). A—15,303 (18,680). T—2:25. Referees—Wes McCauley, Garrett Rank. Linesmen—Michel Cormier, Ryan Gibbons.

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS Through Jan. 20: SCORING LEADERS GP G A PTS Nikita Kucherov, TB 46 27 34 61 Nathan MacKinnon, COL 45 23 36 59 John Tavares, NYI 48 26 31 57 Claude Giroux, PHI 46 14 41 55 Phil Kessel, PIT 49 21 33 54 Steven Stamkos, TB 46 17 37 54 Johnny Gaudreau, CGY 46 15 39 54 Connor McDavid, EDM 47 15 38 53 Blake Wheeler, WPG 47 14 39 53 Josh Bailey, NYI 44 12 41 53 Jakob Voracek, PHI 46 8 45 53 Sidney Crosby, PIT 49 17 34 51 Alex Ovechkin, WAS 47 28 22 50 Evgeni Malkin, PIT 45 21 28 49 Mathew Barzal, NYI 48 16 33 49

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## COLLEGE BASKETBALL: Top 25 Rewind

# No. 7 Shockers stumble for first time in the AAC

By AARON BEARD  
Associated Press

RALEIGH, N.C. — Wichita State has hit its first bump in its new American Athletic Conference home. Coach Gregg Marshall now gets a chance to see how his seventh-ranked Shockers handle it.

The Shockers were one of five AP Top 25 teams to lose twice this week, joining No. 4 Oklahoma and No. 8 Texas Tech as top-10 teams in that group. First came an 83-78 home loss to SMU on Wednesday — snapping a 27-game home winning streak and giving Wichita its first loss in AAC play — followed by Saturday's 73-59 loss at Houston.

This is part of the Shockers' first go-around through the American after moving from their 72-year home in the Missouri Valley Conference, where they won four straight regular-season titles with a 68-4 record from 2013-17.

Wichita State (15-4, 5-2) had not lost consecutive conference games since the 2012-13 season before this week.

The problems hit both sides of the court. SMU shot nearly 64 percent in its win. Against Houston, though, Wichita State's most glaring troubles came in a 33-percent, 18-turnover offensive showing.

Wichita State had won its first four AAC games by double-figure margins, but things have been tougher starting with a 72-69 win at Tulsa on Jan. 13.

"We have to work on everything," Marshall said after the Houston loss, adding: "I have to coach better. We have to play better."



Houston guard Corey Davis Jr. (5) reacts after making a basket during the second half of an NCAA college basketball game against Wichita State Saturday in Houston. Houston won the game 73-59.

## TOUGH LEAGUE

The Big 12's teams keep beating each other up.

The Sooners and freshman star Trae Young lost twice on the road, first at Kansas State on Tuesday and then in overtime at Oklahoma State on Saturday despite Young's 48 points.

Then there were the Red Raiders with their own set of road league losses. They fell at Texas on Wednesday and at Iowa State on Saturday.

"We're going to have to fight and get back up," Texas Tech coach Chris Beard said. "This is life in the Big 12."

## MARQUEE WIN

Speaking of the Big 12, No. 10 Kansas had the week's best win by beating sixth-ranked West Virginia 71-66 on the road.

## 2-LOSS WEEKS

No. 18 Kentucky and No. 19 Seton Hall were the other ranked teams to lose twice this week.

Both of the Wildcats' losses came to unranked teams, first at South Carolina and then at home to Florida to snap a 30-game home winning streak against Southeastern Conference foes. It raises the question of whether the Wildcats could slide out of Monday's new poll.

"As a team, there is no lack of confidence," Wildcats sophomore Sacha Killeya-Jones said. "We understand that we have work to do. We can't go out there and mess around. We have to go out there and fight."

As for the Pirates, they lost at Creighton — which has been ranked in four polls this season — and then at home to No. 11 Xavier in the Big East.

## BOILING

No. 3 Purdue (19-2, 8-0 Big Ten) has won 15 straight games and has won three straight Big Ten games by at least 23 points for the first time in school history. The Boilermakers beat

Wisconsin by 28 points and Iowa by 23 this week.

## SCHEDULED TO APPEAR?

St. Mary's (19-2, 8-0 West Coast Conference) is rolling and could go from "Others Receiving Votes" to ranked by Monday.

The Gaels won at No. 13 Gonzaga on Thursday, then won at Pacific for a 14th straight victory — the second longest streak in school history — behind 32 points from Jock Landale, who stands as one of college basketball's top performers with Selection Sunday less than two months away.

Then there's Kansas State (14-5, 4-3 Big 12), which followed its win against Oklahoma by beating No. 24 TCU. The Wildcats rank 24th in KenPom's adjusted offensive efficiency rankings (115.7 points per 100 possessions), but held both opponents to 42 percent shooting while forcing the Sooners into 20 turnovers.

## COLLEGE BASKETBALL ROUNDUP



AP PHOTO

Rutgers forward Eugene Omoruyi (11) and Michigan guard Jordan Poole (2) chase the loose ball during the first half Sunday in Ann Arbor, Mich.

# No. 23 Michigan rebounds with win over Rutgers

Associated Press

John Beilein and Michigan are ready for a much-needed breather.

Moe Wagner scored 16 points and Duncan Robinson added 12 to lift the 23rd-ranked Wolverines to a 62-47 victory over Rutgers on Sunday. It was the fourth game in nine days for Michigan, which rebounded nicely from a 20-point loss at Nebraska on Thursday.

"On Monday, our kids need just a day off," said Beilein, Michigan's coach. "That's going to be huge for us. ... Not allowed in the gym, don't touch a ball. We just need to do that."

The Wolverines (17-5, 6-3 Big Ten) took the lead for good with a 13-0 run in the first half. Michigan shot just 43 percent from the field, but the Wolverines are more capable of winning with defense than in the past, and they held Rutgers (12-9, 2-6) to only 33 percent.

"If you can't score, you can't win," Scarlet Knights coach Steve Pikiell said. "Certainly not on the road through this league against a ranked team (with) well-coached, good players."

Corey Sanders scored 12 points for Rutgers, and Deshaun Freeman added 11 points and 11 rebounds. Freeman also had the only assist of the game for the Scarlet Knights.

"I knew they had zero at halftime. Coach said that in his halftime speech," Robinson said. "They were playing a lot of one on one. They had some success with it too, so we just tried to battle, stay in gaps and

compete."

Robinson came in shooting only 36 percent from 3-point range on the season after finishing over 40 percent in his first two seasons with the Wolverines. He went 4 of 8 from beyond the arc Sunday, playing crucial first-half minutes after Isaiah Livers was called for two quick fouls.

Zavier Simpson had 10 points, eight rebounds and four assists for Michigan, and Charles Matthews added 10 points.

## NO. 2 VIRGINIA 59, WAKE FOREST 49:

Kyle Guy scored 17 points, and No. 2 Virginia beat Wake Forest for its 10th straight win. De'Andre Hunter added 16 points to help the first-place Cavaliers (18-1, 7-0 Atlantic Coast Conference) extend their longest winning streak since 2015-16 and open league play with seven victories for the second time in four years. Virginia shot nearly 46 percent in the second half while holding Wake Forest to 30 percent shooting after halftime.

Bryant Crawford scored 11 points, and Mitchell Wilbekin and Brandon Childress added 10 apiece for the Demon Deacons (8-11, 1-6), who kept it close against a highly-ranked Virginia team for the second time in three years but still managed to lose their fifth straight. Devon Hall added 12 points to help the Cavaliers win a tight one in which there were nine lead changes and five ties. Neither team led by more than seven until Hunter hit an important 3-pointer to extend Virginia's lead to 53-45 with 3:44 remaining.

## WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL: Florida State 50, Louisville 49

# No. 12 FSU women top No. 2 Louisville

By GARY B. GRAVES  
Associated Press

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — Florida State guard A.J. Alix relied on a short memory and made a clutch long-range shot. The No. 12 Seminoles then made sure No. 2 Louisville didn't answer with one of its own and earned a signature road victory.

Alix made a go-ahead 3-pointer with 1:04 remaining and Nicole Ekhomu added a free throw with 7.8 seconds left, helping FSU hand Louisville its first loss of the season, 50-49 on Sunday.

"If I miss three shots, I know that I can shoot the next one and convince myself that I can make it," said Alix, who was 1 of 6 overall with two misses from beyond the arc before making her final attempt. "They left me open, so I just took it and hit it. It felt good."

The Seminoles (18-2, 6-1 Atlantic Coast Conference) trailed 22-9 after the first quarter before rallying, taking their first lead at 37-36 in the third quarter. They shot just 28 percent overall.

Arica Carter's 3-pointer put Louisville (20-1, 6-1) ahead with 1:54 to go. Alix answered from long range, and then Ekhomu made the second of two from the line.

Louisville threw the ball away seconds before



AP PHOTO

Louisville guard Arica Carter (11), right, attempts to get the ball away from Florida State guard AJ Alix (4) during the second half Sunday in Louisville, Ky.

that, the last of several turnovers made down the stretch. Myisha Hines-Allen put back Asia Durr's missed 3 for a layup as time ran out, but the Seminoles were already beginning to celebrate a road win over their highest-ranked opponent in program history, topping a 71-69 win at No. 4 Duke on Feb. 8, 2001.

"If you had told me we'd score 50 points and win, I'd have thought you were crazy," Florida State coach Sue Semrau said. "We learned something about how hard we need to defend, and I'm proud of our rebounding. What, Louisville had 20 straight wins? They're a great team, and we had a good night."

The Seminoles came in averaging nearly 88 points

per game.

Hines-Allen finished with 13 points on 5-of-13 shooting while Durr was 5 of 21 and 1 of 8 from long range. The Cardinals made just 7 of 30 shots after halftime and were out-rebounded 52-42.

"We got our (butt) kicked," Louisville coach Jeff Walz said. "There's no other word for it. We got our (butt) kicked on the glass. You've got to give them credit."

Shakayla Thomas had 14 points and 11 rebounds and Imani Wright scored 10 points for Florida State. The Seminoles have won four in a row and eight of nine.

## BIG PICTURE

Florida State: The Seminoles couldn't have started worse, missing

14 of their first 17 shots and 22 of 32 in the first half. Yet they trailed just 32-26 at the break and got within 32-29 early in the third quarter as shots began falling. They created chances through an effective zone that slowed the Cardinals and made Durr work hard for shots.

Louisville: Walz has said all along that his team wouldn't go undefeated, and a Cardinals offense that relied on Durr's shooting to get things going had to rely on others to fill the void as she struggled from the field. Carter's 3 was the only big basket they got down the stretch as possessions ended either in missed shots or turnovers. The Cardinals turned it over 16 times.

Of her final attempt, Durr said, "I think it was a great shot. There wasn't that much time left on the clock. I had a great look, it just didn't follow through."

## POLL IMPLICATIONS

The Cardinals could drop a few spots but remain in the AP top five with their first loss. Florida State could break into the top 10 after its signature win.

## UP NEXT

Florida State hosts No. 5 Notre Dame on Sunday.

Louisville visits Miami in a Thursday morning matchup.

## MIAMI

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The Hurricanes (14-4, 3-3 Atlantic Coast Conference) came in averaging 67.8 points and shooting 42 percent in five league games, including just 30 percent from 3-point range to rank 14th in the 15-team conference. They blew past all those marks Sunday, from shooting 60 percent after halftime to making 10 of 19 3s for the game.

"We're a great catch-and-shoot team," Brown said. "And we have recently shot a lot of 3s off the dribble or late in the shot clock. But today it was just easy for us: drive, kick, open 3s, one more pass. It was just all in rhythm."

The Hurricanes led the entire second half, but struggled to put away the Wolfpack (13-7, 3-4). They stayed in control by committing just 10 turnovers

for the game, avoiding the miscues that can fuel the Wolfpack's pressure defense and lead to transition scores.

Omer Yurtseven had 28 points for N.C. State, which had a humming-along offense of its own. The Wolfpack shot 63 percent after halftime and 54 percent for the game to stay within arm's reach the entire way, getting as close as one midway through the second half but failing to push ahead.

"I thought we did a good job offensively," first-year Wolfpack coach Kevin Keatts said. "I thought our guys played loose. But we didn't get the stops we needed to."

## LINEUP SHUFFLE

Miami gave 5-foot-7 freshman Chris Lykes his first start with fellow rookie Lonnie Walker IV battling a back problem. Lykes had six points and five assists in 22 minutes.