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Johnson's goal at this Masters is to get to the 1st tee



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Mariotti lawyer: 'He's no murderer'

Public defender claims accomplice actually killed Bea Montgomery in 2015

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TAVARES – Opposing counsel gave jurors a peek at two vastly different theories in the David Mariotti murder trial on Wednesday: He is either a manipulative killer, or his companion is the one who really killed the

84-year-old widow in June of 2016, they argued in their opening statements.

"They got it wrong," said Executive Assistant Public Defender John Spivey.

Mariotti's companion, Tracie Jo Naffziger, 45, was charged with accessory after the fact for helping dispose of Bernadine Montgomery's body and Mariotti was charged with murder. It should be the other way around, Spivey said. Naffziger will testify against Mariotti in

hopes of getting a break in her sentencing.

"He's a bit of a buzzard, too," Spivey said of Mariotti. "The state will spend a lot of hours showing how he disposed of the body, he's driving her car and using her credit cards, but he's no murderer."

Spivey promised to give jurors a tour of the "underground world of homeless drifters, strangers sleeping on couches and friendships

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Defense attorney John Spivey whispers to accused killer David Mariotti during jury selection at the Lake County Courthouse in Tavares on Tuesday. [PAUL RYAN / CORRESPONDENT]

Reaching new Heights

Leesburg Resource Center opens with hope, opportunity for Carver Heights area

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LEESBURG – It has been nearly one year since officials broke ground on the Leesburg Resource Center but if you ask Celestine Wright, 77, the facility is something she and others have been waiting for their whole lives.

On Wednesday, hundreds of people were on hand to get a peek inside the \$2.4 million, 8,900-square-foot, multi-purpose facility that features meeting rooms, computer training space, resource offices and a central meeting hall.

In the future, the center is also expected to house a teaching kitchen and café and will offer an Intro to Construction class – all things that officials believe will make a big difference for a lot of people.

"I think this building is so much needed. There's something that is going to be going on here for everybody and everybody is going to take advantage of it – adults, young adults, children, seniors. Everybody is going to enjoy it," said Wright, a lifetime resident of the Montclair and Carver Heights communities where the Leesburg Resource Center is located.

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ABOVE: Hundreds of people were on hand Wednesday to get a peek inside the \$2.4 million, 8,900-square-foot, multi-purpose Leesburg Resource Center that features meeting rooms, computer training space, resource offices and a central meeting hall.

LEFT: Agnes Berry talks to the crowd about the importance of the Leesburg Resource Center to the community. "Use this building, enjoy this building and above all, protect this building," she said. [PHOTOS BY BOB SNOW / CORRESPONDENT]

Friends: Bea was sunny and generous

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LEESBURG – "Whenever I think of Bea, I think about her sunny smile."

That statement, by

Bernadine Montgomery's friend, Ruth Weber, would

make a perfect epitaph for the 84-year-old who was killed in 2016.

Her legacy lives on, especially at Morrison United Methodist Church, where she sang in the choir and is remembered for her "generosity of spirit," said the Rev. David Stauffer.

Stauffer uses words like "faithful service" in describing Montgomery and says she was the genuine article. She left her house in Palmyra Park to the church that still honors her memory with a memorial bench and an altar cloth donated by friends.

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YouTube shooter questioned before attack, found calm

By Michael Balsamo and Ryan Nakashima
The Associated Press

SAN BRUNO, Calif. – Just hours before she shot and wounded three people at YouTube headquarters, Nasim Aghdam calmly told police who found her sleeping in her car that she was having family problems and had left her home.

During the 20-minute interview with officers early Tuesday, she did not mention being angry with YouTube



Aghdam

or having accused the company of suppressing her video posts. She gave no indication she was a threat to herself or others.

"It was a very normal conversation. There was nothing in her behavior that suggested anything unusual," said Mountain View Police Chief Max Bosel.

Later that day, she went to a gun range before walking

through a parking garage into a courtyard at YouTube's campus south of San Francisco, where she fired several rounds with a handgun and wounded three people. She then killed herself.

The sequence of Aghdam's activities emerged Wednesday as police continued gathering information about the attacker and her motives.

Agents with the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives searched two Southern California homes where Aghdam had lived.

Spokeswoman Ginger Colbrun would not confirm the locations but reporters saw agents entering homes in the communities of Menifee, southeast of Los Angeles, and 4S Ranch, north of San Diego.

Aghdam was a "really good person" and had no history of mental illness, said a woman named Leila who identified herself as an aunt as she entered the family home in Menifee. She did not provide a last name.

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FIVE THINGS WE KNOW ABOUT UF'S FOOTBALL TEAM

NATION & WORLD

MLK called 'apostle of nonviolence'

By Errin Haines Whack, Adrian Sainz and Kate Brumback
Associated Press

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — The daughter of the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. remembered him as “the apostle of nonviolence” as admirers marked the 50th anniversary of his assassination Wednesday with marches, speeches and quiet reflection.

At events around the country, participants took time to both reflect on King’s legacy and discuss how his example can apply to racial and economic divides still plaguing society. Instead of sorrow, King’s contemporaries and a new generation of social activists presented a message of resilience and hope.

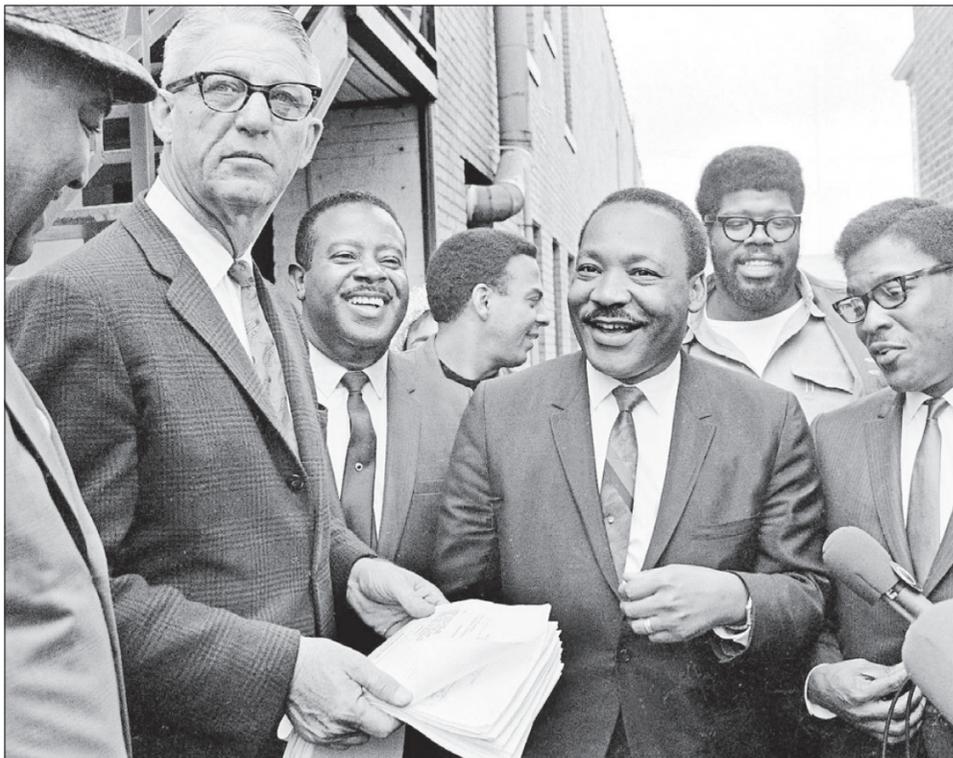
Speaking in King’s hometown of Atlanta, the Rev. Bernice A. King recalled her father as a civil rights leader and great orator whose message of peaceful protest was still vital decades later.

“We decided to start this day remembering the apostle of nonviolence,” she said during a ceremony to award the Martin Luther King Jr. Nonviolent Peace Prize held at the King Center.

In Memphis, where King died, hundreds of people bundled in hats and coats gathered for a march led by the same sanitation workers union whose low pay King had come to protest when he was shot.

Dixie Spencer, president of the Bolivar Hardeman County, Tennessee, branch of the NAACP, said remembrances of King’s death should be a call to action.

“We know what he worked



Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and the Rev. Ralph Abernathy (third from left) outside an Atlanta courthouse on this date in 1960. King had been arrested on Oct. 19 as he took part in the Atlanta Student Movement’s protest to desegregate Rich’s Department Store in downtown Atlanta. Andrew Young is seen over King’s right shoulder. (ASSOCIATED PRESS)

hard for, we know what he died for, so we just want to keep the dream going,” Spencer said. “We just want to make sure that we don’t lose the gains that we have made.”

The Memphis events were scheduled to feature King’s contemporaries, including the Rev. Jesse Jackson, the Rev. Al Sharpton and U.S. Rep. John Lewis, along with celebrities such as the rapper Common. In the evening, the Atlanta events culminate with a bell-ringing

and wreath-laying at his crypt to mark the moment when he was gunned down on the balcony of the old Lorraine Motel on April 4, 1968. He was 39.

President Donald Trump issued a proclamation in honor of the anniversary, saying: “In remembrance of his profound and inspirational virtues, we look to do as Dr. King did while this world was privileged enough to still have him.”

The president has been the target of veiled criticism by

some speakers at King commemorations in recent days as they complained of fraught race relations and other divisions made plain since he was elected. Observances marking King’s death were planned coast-to-coast.

In New York, the Dance Theatre of Harlem, founded months after King’s slaying, planned an evening performance in his honor. Community organizers scheduled a march and commemorative program marking

the anniversary in Yakima, Washington.

In Montgomery, Alabama, where King first gained notice leading a boycott against segregated city buses, came a symbol of transformation: The daughter of King’s one-time nemesis, segregationist Gov. George C. Wallace, planned to participate in a program honoring the slain civil rights leader.

The anniversary of King’s death coincides with a resurgence of white supremacy, the continued shootings of unarmed black men and a parade of discouraging statistics on the lack of progress among black Americans on issues from housing to education to wealth. But rather than despair, the resounding message repeated at the commemorations was one of resilience, resolve, and a renewed commitment to King’s legacy and unfinished work.

Wednesday’s events followed a rousing celebration the night before of King’s “I’ve Been To the Mountaintop” speech at Memphis’ Mason Temple Church of God in Christ. He delivered this speech the night before he was assassinated.

“Dr. King’s work — our work — isn’t done. We must still struggle; we must still sacrifice. We must still educate and organize and mobilize. That’s why we’re here in Memphis. Not just to honor our history, but to seize our future,” national labor leader Lee Saunders said on Tuesday night after a gospel singer led a rousing rendition of “Lift Every Voice and Sing,” and the gathering took on the air of a mass meeting.

IN BRIEF

FORT LAUDERDALE
Florida city to move gun show after school massacre

A Florida city is ending gun shows at its auditorium in wake of the massacre that happened at a nearby high school.

Fort Lauderdale city commissioners agreed Tuesday to end gun shows at the city’s War Memorial Auditorium after 30 years after the organizer’s agreement expires in November after five more shows.

A gunman killed 17 students and staff members Feb. 14 at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School, which is in the Fort Lauderdale suburb of Parkland.

LOTTERY

Tuesday, April 3
Mega Millions: 4-29-39-42-62-14 x2
Lucky Money: 3-6-36-41-3
Fantasy 5: 7-11-15-26-31

Wednesday, April 4
Pick 5
Afternoon: 1-3-2-2-7

Pick 4
Afternoon: 4-7-6-7

Pick 3
Afternoon: 5-7-7

Pick 2
Afternoon: 0-9

Mexico giving caravan migrants transit visas

By Christopher Sherman
Associated Press

MATIAS ROMERO, Mexico — The Mexican government began handing out transit or humanitarian visas to people in a caravan of Central American migrants, and said the procession of 1,000 or so migrants that drew criticism from President Donald Trump had begun to disperse.

Some migrants who awoke at the camp Wednesday said they would try their luck at requesting asylum in the United States, others in Mexico.

Elmer Zelaya Gomez, 38, from eastern El Salvador, has been sleeping with his wife and three children aged 7, 13 and 14 on the soccer field under blankets as they wait for temporary transit visas from Mexico to continue to the US border. He hopes to request asylum and join relatives in New York.

“We didn’t leave our countries just because we wanted to,” Zelaya Gomez said. “It’s for the safety of our children.”

Like many, he had joined the caravan — which was never expected to be so big, and never planned to go all the way to the border — because there was safety in numbers.

Now, the family faces the prospect of traveling solo; the caravan is scheduled to make its last stops this week at a migrants rights symposium in

the central city of Puebla, and end in Mexico City.

“It seems a little complicated, with the robberies, kidnappings, and all of that,” Zelaya Gomez said. “It’s a little scary, to travel without the caravan.”

Organizer Irineo Mujica said, “We will try to find a better way of doing our caravans” in coming years. “We didn’t anticipate, or want, a caravan of this size.”

The caravan is an annual, symbolic event held around Easter each year to raise awareness about the plight of migrants and has never left southern Mexico, though some participants then continue north on their own.

Trump’s strong criticism of the caravan and Mexico’s supposed permissiveness in allowing it to proceed, have confused and befuddled families here, who deny they are a threat. Many say they never intended on going all the way to the United States after the end of the “Stations of the Cross” caravan. Some are seeking asylum in Mexico itself.

Even coordinators of the caravan seemed to misunderstand the debate in the U.S. when Trump endorsed a “nuclear option” for pushing funding for his border wall through Congress. They told worried families Tuesday that the U.S. president had floated



Central American migrants participating in the Migrant Stations of the Cross caravan or “Via crucis,” set up camp at a sports center during the caravan’s few-day’s stop in Matias Romero, Oaxaca state, Mexico, late Monday. The annual caravans have been held in southern Mexico for years as an Easter-season protest against the kidnappings, extortion, beatings and killings suffered by many Central American migrants as they cross Mexico. (AP PHOTO/FELIX MARQUEZ)

the idea of using a nuclear weapon against the caravan of mostly women and children who have fled violence in Central America.

The Mexican government said in a statement late Tuesday that its immigration policy “is not subject to pressure,” but noted the caravan “began to disperse by decision of the participants.”

It said 465 migrants had asked for transit visas and 230 had gotten them, and another 168 were likely to get some sort of visa to stay in Mexico.

Though the caravan is uncomfortable — the migrants cook meager, donated rations on fires and sleep under the

stars — they said risks they have taken should be an indication of how unsustainable their circumstances are back home. Hondurans predominate in this year’s caravan, but it includes families from Guatemala and El Salvador as well.

Sitting on a thin foam pad and trying to corral her sons, 2-year-old Jonathan and 6-year-old Omar, Gabriela Hernandez wondered aloud at what Trump must think of them.

“I see it as something really sad, because I don’t understand how a child this age can make things difficult for him,” said Hernandez, a 27-year-old who is two months pregnant.

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BEST BETS FOR TODAY

ALWAYS, PATSY CLINE: At 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday and Thursday, 8 p.m. on Friday and Saturday and 2 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday at IceHouse Theatre, 1100 N. Unser St. in Mount Dora. Cost is \$22 for adults, \$15 for students with ID and \$10 for ages 5 to 17. Go to icehousetheatre.com for tickets.

SPOKEN WORD: From 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at Leesburg Public Library, 100 E. Main St. Poets and writers of all backgrounds and levels of experience welcome. Call 352-728-9790 for information.

CHESS CLUB: From 5:45 to 7:45 p.m. every Thursday at Leesburg Public Library, 100 E. Main St. Call 352-728-9790 for information.

NEWS BRIEFS

LAKE PANASOFFKEE
Leesburg man killed by wrong-way driver

A Leesburg man was killed Wednesday morning when his car was struck by another vehicle that was driving in his lane, authorities say.

According to a press release by the Florida Highway Patrol, Richard Dale Neely, 68, was driving east on County Road 470 at 12:24 a.m. when his Ford Fiesta was struck head-on by Robert Jason Headley's Nissan Altima. Troopers said Headley, 37, of Ocala, was heading west but was in the eastbound lane.

Neely was pronounced dead at the scene. Headley was taken to Ocala Regional Medical Center with what troopers described as serious injuries.

Investigators said there was no indication alcohol was involved. Both men were wearing seat belts.

WINTER PARK
Police: Man threatens to shoot officer after crash

Police say a man crashed a truck into a Florida house, claimed to be an FBI agent and threatened to shoot an officer.

The Orlando Sentinel reports police were called to a home Sunday and found the driver, 32-year-old Scott Andrew Ecklund, standing outside the vehicle "taking a fighting stance."

Officers ordered Ecklund to get on the ground, but he refused and threatened to kill Officer Joshua Larson. The stand-off ended when Ecklund tripped and fell.

A police report says Ecklund said he'd crashed into the house because a sex offender

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Cops make 2nd incest arrest

Detectives charge Groveland man after sister gave birth to deformed baby

By Tom McNiff
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GROVELAND — Sheriff's detectives have made a second incest arrest after a brother and sister gave birth to a baby with severe medical problems late last year.

Detectives had been looking for Allen Drost, 31, for more than a week after his sister admitted he was the father of



Drost



Martin

the baby she gave birth to in November.

According to an arrest affidavit, Pauline Elizabeth Martin, 33, had the child on Nov. 21, and doctors quickly transferred the baby to Winnie Palmer Hospital for Children in Orlando because it needed specialized care

for a variety of severe birth defects. Hospital officials called the Florida Department of Children and Families to investigate because genetic testing revealed the baby's parents were close relatives.

DCF officials said that by February, Martin still had not filled out Medicaid paperwork for the baby's care and had not obtained a birth certificate or Social Security card to have the baby moved into a home for medically complex children.

Two weeks ago, Lake County Sheriff's detectives interviewed Martin at her

workplace, a fast food restaurant in Leesburg, and she reportedly admitted being in a sexual relationship with her brother, Drost, for the past five years. Martin reportedly said she realized it was wrong and was going to break off the relationship but admitted they'd had sex the day before.

Detectives arrested Martin and charged her with incest. They also obtained an arrest warrant for Drost after he failed to show up for an interview with detectives several days later. He was arrested Tuesday.

A Christmas miracle



Mount Dora Police Officer Andrew Rice, left, smiles with Dawn Dyer, right, at a city council meeting where an official proclamation was declared in Rice's honor. Rice is credited with saving Dyer's life on Christmas Day after finding her unresponsive in her car on the side of the road.

[ROXANNE BROWN / DAILY COMMERCIAL]

Mount Dora Officer Andrew Rice recognized for saving woman's life

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MOUNT DORA — Call it a Christmas Day miracle or ending up at the right place at the right time, but whichever way you look at it, Dawn Dyer is alive today because Mount Dora Police Officer Andrew Rice brought her back to life.

"I'll never be able to pay him back for what he did," Dyer said Tuesday after an official proclamation was

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"It was overwhelming," Officer Andrew Rice said of meeting Dawn Dyer after saving her life on Christmas Day. "When she hugged me, I didn't want to let her go again." [SUBMITTED]

State fights ruling on rights restoration

By John Kennedy
GateHouse Capital Bureau

TALLAHASSEE — State officials asked a federal judge Wednesday to put on hold his order demanding that a new process be in place by April 26 for restoring felon's voting rights in Florida.

Attorney General Pam Bondi told U.S. District Judge Mark Walker that she, Gov. Rick Scott and other members of the state's Clemency Board are appealing the court's Feb. 1 order that threw out Florida's rights-restoration system, which Walker described as "fatally flawed." After the Feb. 1 ruling, Walker followed up with an order last month that requires a new rights-restoration process by April 26.

But Bondi argued that the state is likely to win its appeal on a number of constitutional grounds and that the prospect of the state quickly devising a replacement process was "not reasonably calculated."

Scott spokesman John Tupps also criticized the judge's order, saying: "People elected by Floridians should determine Florida's clemency rules for convicted criminals, not federal judges."

Walker sided with a voter-rights group, the Fair Elections Legal Network, in a challenge to the state's clemency system, finding it is arbitrary and violates First Amendment and equal protection rights in the U.S. Constitution.

Scott and Cabinet members, sitting as the Clemency Board, decide whether to restore voting rights to ex-felons, who must wait at least five years after their sentences are completed before even applying.

The current system was adopted by Scott and the Cabinet in 2011 but is a variation of what the state has had in place since the post-Civil War Reconstruction era. It

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Umatilla considering impact fees, fire assessment

Officials say more revenue may be needed because growth spurt is on the way

By Tom McNiff
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UMATILLA — Bucolic little Umatilla in the northwest reaches of Lake County may be getting ready to have a growth spurt, and city officials say that could put a dent in their budget if they don't do something.

So officials are examining the pros and cons of

imposing impact fees on new construction and perhaps a fire assessment to support the city's volunteer fire department.

The city has already commissioned a consultant to study a possible fire assessment, and on Tuesday City Manager Scott Blankenship asked the council to consider hiring a firm to study impact fees as well. The council made no decision but asked Blankenship to return later with an estimate of what a consultant would cost.

Blankenship said he made the request because three developers recently expressed new interest in launching long-dormant projects. The three developments were approved in the early 2000s but then the developers scrapped their plans when the housing bubble burst. Now they're back with plans to build a combined 800-plus homes, Blankenship said.

He noted, however, that Umatilla has a small annual budget in line with its modest population of about 3,700 and

a historically slow growth rate. An additional 800 homes and well over 1,000 new residents would put a good deal of stress on the city's finances, he said.

"We couldn't support that with ad valorem taxes," Blankenship said. "In the blink of an eye, if it was here right now, we wouldn't be able to support it with our police and fire departments."

Fire assessments have become a popular way for cities and counties to pay for fire services because they

can be charged annually to all property owners or all owners of homes and businesses. Typically, fire assessments pay for the operational costs of a fire department.

Impact fees, meanwhile, are charged to all new construction and generally pay for buildings and equipment but not for recurring operational costs.

The fire assessment study is expected to be completed soon, and the council has set a workshop to discuss the report at 6 p.m. April 17, prior to the City Council meeting.

Funeral Services

Christine H. Perry



Funeral Services for Christine H. Perry, 73, of Eustis, FL will be held Saturday, April 7, 2018 at 11:00 A.M. at Life Pointe Church 3551 E.

Orange Avenue, Eustis, FL. Interment will follow in the Greenwood Cemetery, Eustis, FL. Visitation will be held Friday, April 6, 2018 at Hayward Memorial Church of God By Faith 915 E. Hazzard Avenue, Eustis from 6PM-8PM. She is survived by her devoted husband; Elder Elijah Perry, Sr., children, other relatives and sorrowing friends. www.zandersfuneralhome.com "A Zanders Service" (407) 886-3388 * (407)886-5656 (FAX)

Martha I. Graham



Funeral Services for Martha I. Graham age 80 of Umatilla, FL; who passed away Thursday March 29, 2018 will be held on Saturday, April

7, 2018 at 3:00 PM at Advancing The Kingdom Ministries Church, 417 North Grove Street, Eustis, FL. Interment will follow in the Southside Oak Grove Cemetery, Umatilla, FL. Visitation will be held on Friday, April 6, 2018 from 5:00-7:00 P.M. at Advancing The Kingdom Ministries Church, 417 North Grove Street, Eustis, FL. www.zandersfuneralhome.com "A Zanders Service" (407) 886-3388 * (407)886-5656 (FAX)

Escalating US-China trade dispute heightens global concerns

By Joe McDonald and Paul Wiseman
AP Business Writers

WASHINGTON — An escalating trade dispute between the world's two biggest economies heightened fears Wednesday of a global trade war, sent global stock markets tumbling but also left the door open to a negotiated settlement that might prevent any serious damage before it begins.

The Dow Jones industrial average tumbled after markets fell in Europe and Asia on worries of an intensifying trade conflict between the United States and China.

After the United States unveiled plans to impose tariffs on \$50 billion in Chinese imports Tuesday, China lashed back within hours, matching the American tariffs with plans to tax \$50 billion of U.S. products, including soybeans and small aircraft.

The tariffs wouldn't kick in right away. The U.S. government is inviting public comment on its trade sanctions through May 11 and will hold a hearing on the plan May 15. And China set no date for its 25 percent duties to take effect, saying it is waiting to see what President Donald Trump does.

U.S. Commerce Secretary Wilbur Ross brushed off concern about a trade war. In an interview with CNBC on Wednesday morning, Ross said the tariffs announced by China amount to a mere 0.3 percent of America's gross domestic product. He added that some U.S. punitive action against Beijing has been "coming for a while" over what the United States calls China's predatory behavior involving technology.

"What we're talking about on both sides is a fraction of 1 percent of both economies," Ross said.

The larger concern, the commerce secretary said, is the protection of U.S. intellectual property.

Asked whether the U.S. tariffs against China were a negotiating ploy, Lawrence Kudlow, Trump's



Visitors look at aircraft component parts on a display near a screen showing the China's flag raising ceremony, Sept. 20, 2017 at Aviation Expo China in Beijing. China On Wednesday vowed to take measures of the "same strength" in response to a proposed U.S. tariff hike on \$50 billion worth of Chinese goods in a spiraling dispute over technology policy that has fueled fears it might set back a global economic recovery. The Commerce Ministry said it would immediately challenge the U.S. move in the World Trade Organization. [AP PHOTO/ANDY WONG]

top economic adviser, said: "Potentially. It's part of the process. I would take the president seriously on this tariff issue. There are carrots and sticks in life... Both sides benefit by positive solutions that lower barriers."

Beijing's list of 106 products included the biggest U.S. exports to China, reflecting its intense sensitivity to the dispute over American complaints that it pressures foreign companies to hand over technology.

The clash reflects the tension between Trump's promises to narrow a U.S. trade deficit with China that stood at \$375.2 billion in goods last year and the ruling Communist Party's development ambitions. Regulators use access to China's vast market as leverage to press foreign automakers and other companies to help create or improve industries and technology.

In a tweet Wednesday after China's announcement, Trump said: "We are not in a trade war with China, that war was lost many years ago by the foolish, or incompetent, people who represented the U.S."

A list the U.S. issued Tuesday of products subject to tariff hikes included aerospace, telecoms and machinery, striking at high-tech industries seen

by China's leaders as the key to its economic future.

China said it would immediately challenge the U.S. move in the World Trade Organization. A deputy finance minister, Zhu Guangyao, appealed to Washington to "work in a constructive manner" and avoid hurting both countries but warned against expecting Beijing to back down.

Companies and economists have expressed concern that global economic activity might sputter if other governments are prompted to raise their own import barriers.

China announced tariffs worth \$50 billion on a series of U.S. products including soybeans, whiskey and cars. Chinese officials said they were obliged to act after the U.S. announced plans for tariffs in an escalating dispute over China's technology program and other trade issues.

"U.S. companies at this point would like to see robust communication between the US government and the Chinese government and serious negotiation on both sides, hopefully to avoid a trade war," said the chairman of the American Chamber of Commerce in China, William Zarit. "I can only hope that we solve our differences as soon as possible to avoid damage

to the U.S. economy, Chinese economy and to U.S. companies."

American companies have long chafed under Chinese regulations that require them to operate through local partners and share technology with potential competitors in exchange for market access. Business groups say companies feel unwelcome in China's state-dominated economy and are being squeezed out of promising industries.

Chinese policies "coerce American companies into transferring their technology" to Chinese enterprises, said a statement by the U.S. Trade Representative.

Foreign companies are increasingly alarmed by initiatives such as Beijing's long-range industry development plan, dubbed "Made in China 2025." It calls for creating global leaders in electric cars, robots and other fields. Companies complain that might block access to those industries.

Wang, the commerce official, defended "Made in China 2025." He said it was "transparent, open and non-discriminatory" and foreign companies could participate. Wang said the plan, which sets targets for domestic brands' share of some markets, should be seen as a guide rather than mandatory.

Death Notices

Glenwood Pierce

Glenwood Pierce, 66 of Altamonte Springs died Saturday, March 31, 2018. Hayes Brothers Funeral Home. Fern Park Chapel. 407.645.4633

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lived there. A Florida Department of Law Enforcement database didn't show any sex offenders living at the house.

Ecklund was charged with battery on a law enforcement officer and other offenses. It's unclear if he has a lawyer.

FORT LAUDERDALE Media presses for more school shooting video

News organizations including The Associated Press are pressing for additional external surveillance video depicting the law enforcement response to the Florida high school shooting that killed 17 people.

A hearing is set Wednesday before a Broward County judge on a motion filed by the media to obtain video from some cameras at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School when the massacre took place Feb. 14. Some victim's families and prosecutors oppose release of the video.

Last month, the Broward Sheriff's Office released 27 minutes of video showing ex-deputy Scot Peterson's actions that day.

Peterson retired after he was accused of failing to respond by remaining outside the building where the shooting took place.

Nineteen-year-old Nikolas Cruz faces 34 murder and attempted murder charges in the shooting.

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STATE

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has a backlog of more than 10,000 cases.

In his February order, Walker mocked the Clemency Board as having the kind of unfettered, arbitrary power as that which prompted American colonists to rebel against British King George III in 1776.

In Wednesday's filings, though, Bondi argued that the state is authorized to have its own system for restoring voters' rights.

But she also said that Walker's order already has forced the state to delay considering 122 applications for restoration and that, going forward, the number will climb while the state appeals.

"Indeed, the court's remedial order might well have the unfortunate and unintended consequence of making it harder for plaintiffs to get the right to vote," Bondi wrote.

A ballot amendment going before voters in November would allow most convicted felons to retain their voting rights without having to go through the state's complicated clemency process. At least 60 percent of voters must support Amendment 4 for the change to become law.

Voting rights organizations have said that about 1.5 million Floridians are excluded from casting ballots because of the current system.

Tupps said the governor is committed to continuing the state's current rights-restoration system.

"He believes that people who have been convicted of crimes like murder, violence against children and domestic violence should demonstrated that they can live a life free of crime while being accountable to our communities," Tupps said.

OFFICER

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declared in Rice's honor and read at a city council meeting by Mayor Nick Girone.

"When he took me out (of the car), I was already dead so if it wasn't for him and whoever helped him, because I know that there were some bystanders, I wouldn't be here, I wouldn't, and I just have to tell him thank you," Dyer added.

According to city officials, Rice was dispatched to U.S. Highway 441 and Morningside Drive for an accident with injuries, when he came upon a single vehicle accident involving a car that had veered off the road and hit a tree.

Rice discovered that Dyer, in the driver's seat and non-responsive, was not breathing and he sprang into action.

Rice's body-cam video shows that with assistance, Rice lifted Dyer out of the car, lay her on the ground and tried to wake her. When Dyer did not come around, Rice asked another officer to retrieve a portable Automated External Defibrillator (AED) device from his car and began CPR.

Rice shocked Dyer using the AED and after another round of CPR,



"At the time, it was like 'Wow, this is crazy,'" Officer Andrew Rice, left, recalls about saving Dawn Dyer's life. "And then afterwards it really hit me. On the drive home I got a little teary and I thought, 'Wow, I just saved someone's life.' It's hard to put that into words. Even talking about it now kind of trembles my voice," Rice said. "It was a huge privilege." [ROXANNE BROWN / DAILY COMMERCIAL]

she began breathing on her own again.

Dyer was airlifted to Orlando Regional Medical Center where she made a full recovery and on Tuesday, she was finally able to meet and thank Rice face-to-face.

"It was overwhelming," Rice said of meeting Dyer. "When she hugged me, I didn't want to let her go again."

Since the crash, it was determined that the cause had to do with a cardiac incident Dyer experienced.

Dyer, who does not remember anything having to do with the crash or about three days afterward, said she is thankful she did not injure anyone else on the road that day.

She said she is also thankful that Rice arrived and had the wherewithal to carry out the life saving measures that resulted in the best Christmas present ever — her life.

At the meeting, Police Chief John O'Grady said Rice has been with the force for three years and since he started, has had a strong community connection.

O'Grady said he is proud of the way Rice used things he learned in training when it mattered most.

Everyone at the meeting was able to see it, too, since the body cam footage was shown publicly.

Rob Williams, senior territory manager, FL, for Cardiac Science — the

manufacturer of the AED machine — was at the meeting to present Rice with a life-saving award from the company. Williams was in awe.

He said in his 12 years on the job, he's heard stories of AEDs saving lives, but none quite as "unique" as this one.

"You don't always get to meet those survivors. You certainly don't always hear of stories on Christmas Day and you certainly don't hear of stories on Christmas Day where there's video attached to it," Williams said.

Don Josefczyk, Dyer's boyfriend said, "It's a miracle. There's nothing more that can be said about it. It's that simple. He was there for a reason and if he hadn't been there when he was, she would have been gone."

Rice said he didn't have time to think about what had really happened until it was all over.

He said he has thought about Dyer often since Christmas and wondered how she was doing.

"At the time, it was like 'Wow, this is crazy,' and then afterwards it really hit me. On the drive home I got a little teary and I thought, 'Wow, I just saved someone's life.' It's hard to put that into words. Even talking about it now kind of trembles my voice," Rice said. "It was a huge privilege."

MARIOTTI

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based only on drug addiction." One of those shady characters was a man he described as the "godfather of misfits," who exploited Montgomery by performing fraudulent handyman work before Mariotti's name ever came up as a suspect.

Assistant State Attorney Chris Small quoted Naffziger's statement to police. She said Mariotti took her to Montgomery's Palmora Park home in Leesburg on June 18. She said she saw someone she thought was asleep on the couch. Mariotti left Naffziger in the home. "What do I do when

she wakes up?" she asked. "No one is waking up," she quoted Mariotti as saying.

She also told police that she helped Mariotti dispose of the body. He told her, "make sure you take the rope off her neck."

Spivey told jurors that Naffziger, suffering nightmares in jail, confessed to a woman prisoner that she felt bad for Mariotti "because he didn't do it." All he did, she said, was to help dump her body in the woods. She told her fellow inmate that she had her hands around Montgomery's neck and her boyfriend put his hands on top of hers and the two strangled Montgomery.

Prosecutors said Mariotti confessed to a prisoner in the jail, then tried to get

another prisoner to write a letter to the State Attorney's office saying that someone else confessed to the crime.

Jurors then heard a series of witnesses, including Mary Gillespie, who lives across the street from Montgomery's home. She testified that the last time she saw her alive was on June 15. Her testimony is important because defense attorneys will call an insect scientist to estimate the time of death, and try to show that Mariotti was in jail at the time she was killed.

On June 21, Gillespie saw two people in Montgomery's car. She did not see the car later that day, or at 2 a.m., the next day when she returned from a concert in Orlando. She later called

Steve Knowles, another neighbor, who called police.

What police found in her home was dried blood, the smell of a decaying body and a growing colony of flies on a couch.

They also found her blue Chevy Malibu parked at Ski Beach a few blocks away.

The car contained what Spivey called "a treasure trove" of evidence, including luggage, female products associated with a younger woman, as well as Montgomery's Social Security card, check book and a copy of her birth certificate. Included in the pile of bags was a backpack with prescriptions for Naffziger, including Oxycontin, a narcotic painkiller.

Crime scene technicians also found clothes dryer sheets and air fresheners in

an effort to mask the smell of decomposition.

Jurors heard testimony from a Lake County sheriff's deputy who handles cadaver dogs. Buxman showed jurors a video of the dog "alerting" on Montgomery's Chevy in a Leesburg Police garage. The dog is trained to sit and stay if he smells decomposition, the deputy explained.

The dog showed some interest in a nearby pickup truck but passed by the rear tire after sitting briefly. The truck was not the source of the odor, the deputy said. The smell was coming from Montgomery's car, he said.

Other witnesses included a bail bondsman who posted a \$600 bond for Mariotti with a stolen credit card.

Leesburg Detective Alicia Cunningham, who

specializes in fraud investigations, testified about a half-dozen back-to-back credit card transactions on June 18 alone, accompanied by surveillance videos showing Mariotti making purchases and getting cash back. Many other transactions were made before and after that date.

Jurors were also shown photos of Naffziger making purchases.

Even more telling were several phone conversations recorded by Discover with the female caller posing as Montgomery and unable to answer a series of security questions.

In one of the calls, after a long pause, she was unable to give the year Montgomery was born, then called back to say she had been disconnected.

YOUTUBE

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Investigators do not believe Aghdam, who was in her late 30s, targeted anyone in particular, and there is no reason to believe she illegally obtained the semi-automatic 9mm pistol used in the shooting, San Bruno Police Chief Ed Barberini said.

Authorities are still trying to determine whether she got past security measures to enter YouTube headquarters, he said.

Two women wounded in the shooting were released Wednesday from a San Francisco hospital. The third victim, a 36-year-old man, was upgraded from critical to serious condition.

The day before the attack, the shooter's father, Ismail Aghdam, said he warned police that his daughter was upset with how YouTube handled her videos and might be planning to go to its offices.

Aghdam "hated"

YouTube and was angry that the company stopped paying her for videos she posted, Ismail Aghdam told the Bay Area News Group. Her video posts included segments about veganism, animal cruelty and exercise, along with glamor shots of herself. Police in Mountain View said they spoke to Ismail Aghdam twice after contacting the family to report finding his daughter and that he never told them she could become violent or pose a threat to YouTube employees.

When officers found Nasim Aghdam, she was in her car near a strip mall in Mountain View, about 25 miles from YouTube and home to the company's owner, Silicon Valley giant Google. She told Mountain View police who spoke to her around 2 a.m. Tuesday that she had come to the area to stay with relatives and was looking for a job, police said.

They let her go, saying there was no indication she needed to be detained.

Later in the day, she went to a gun range not far from

the YouTube headquarters. Police visited the range Wednesday.

Nasim Aghdam used the name "Nasime Sabz" online, a law enforcement official with knowledge of the investigation told The Associated Press. The official spoke on condition of anonymity because the official was not authorized to discuss the case.

A website in that name decried YouTube's policies and said the company was trying to "suppress" content creators.

"Youtube filtered my channels to keep them from getting views!" one of the messages on the site said. "There is no equal growth opportunity on YOUTUBE or any other video sharing site, your channel will grow if they want to!!!!!"

People who post on YouTube can receive money from advertisements that accompany their videos, but the company "demonetizes" some channels for reasons including inappropriate material or having fewer than 1,000 subscribers.

BEA

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"She was just a really good person," he said.

For years, she served as the choir secretary, making sure that get-well cards or flowers were delivered, and she used her calligraphy skills to write the choir members' names in their hymnals.

Tragically, her generous spirit may have cost her dearly in the end.

She allowed David Mariotti, 35, and his girlfriend, Tracie Jo Naffziger, to do chores in her home. Police say Mariotti strangled Montgomery when she realized that Naffziger was stealing from her.

Mariotti went on trial Monday for Montgomery's death. The state is seeking the death penalty on the first-degree murder charge.

Police believe Montgomery was being



Bernadine Montgomery is pictured with her late husband, John, in this undated photograph. [SUBMITTED]

victimized by a contractor even before Mariotti showed up.

As for an epitaph, there is no tombstone, because her body has never been found.

Montgomery kept her sunny disposition even when life wasn't easy.

Her husband, John, died several years ago. Her sick sister came to live

with her for a time, and then she died. The couple had no children and few relatives, Weber said.

"She had terrible health," Weber said of Montgomery's later years. "But you would ask her how she was doing, and she would say, 'OK.' She always had a smile; that was just Bea."

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HEIGHTS

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“We’ve never had anything like this before in our neighborhood, in our community, and we are so very proud to have it now,” she added.

Funding for the center, located at 1041 C.R. 468, came from the City of Leesburg, Lake County and the Carver Heights/Montclair Area Community Redevelopment Agency.

The hope for the center is that it can provide educational services and improve the employment skills of area residents.

Partnerships with non-profit organizations, government agencies, churches and civic groups will allow such programs to be offered on site in a family-friendly environment.

A poster board at the grand opening celebration highlighted services and opportunities like computer training, GED resources, SAT/ACT prep testing, job search

and assistance, social services referrals, training and workshops, ACCESS Florida application site, family support services, event room rentals and intro to hospitality/management classes.

Kids Central will also be housed inside, and Michelle Mongeluzzo, a leader in the organization said her projection is that they will serve 500 families or more per month like they do out of their Ocala office.

City Commissioner John Christian said the center’s opening made him feel proud to serve and live in Leesburg.

“I think it’s gonna allow people a second opportunity to fulfill their careers, get sustainable employment, become self-sufficient and it will reduce child neglect and child abuse in our communities, in our city,” Christian said.

Leesburg Mayor Dan Robuck said while officials got together to get the center funded and built, it was the residents who had the vision.

“We had the community here in west Leesburg

come to us and say, ‘We want a resource center,’” Robuck said.

Two of those residents that have been working that vision for more than 10 years are Agnes Berry, a longtime resident, teacher and founder of the West Leesburg Community Development Corporation and John L. Johnson, a longtime principal, teacher and board member of the Carver Heights/Montclair CRA.

Both said they look forward to the entire community utilizing the center and all it has to offer.

“We’re gonna leave it to our pastors to every Sunday spread the word with a script like, ‘Don’t forget the resource center. Come learn some skills so you can pay your bills,’” Johnson said.

Berry said she believes the center is more beautiful than she could ever have imagined and feels grateful in advance for the successes she knows it is going to inspire.

“Use this building, enjoy this building and above all, protect this building,” she said.

AP Source: Mueller says Trump not criminal target currently

By Chad Day
Associated Press



President Donald Trump speaks at a news conference with leaders of Baltic states in the East Room of the White House in Washington on Tuesday. Special counsel Robert Mueller’s team of prosecutors has informed President Donald Trump’s attorneys that the president is not currently considered a criminal target in the Russia investigation, according to a person familiar with the conversation. [AP PHOTO/ANDREW HARNIK]

WASHINGTON — Special counsel Robert Mueller’s team of prosecutors has informed President Donald Trump’s attorneys that the president is not currently considered a criminal target in the Russia investigation, according to a person familiar with the conversation.

The person, who was not authorized to speak publicly about private conversations and demanded anonymity, said the president is considered a subject of Mueller’s probe — not a target. A subject is typically someone whose conduct is of interest to investigators but prosecutors are not certain they’ve gathered enough evidence to bring charges.

The designation could change at any time, though. The development was first reported by The Washington Post.

Trump’s designation as a subject came up as prosecutors and the president’s legal team have been negotiating the terms of an interview with him. The president has said he wants to speak with Mueller’s team, but his lawyers have not publicly committed to allowing him to be questioned.

Trump attorney Jay Sekulow declined to confirm or discuss the conversations with Mueller.

“We do not discuss real or alleged conversations between our legal team and the Office of Special Counsel,” Sekulow said.

White House lawyer Ty Cobb also declined to comment.

The Justice Department typically treats people involved in investigations as either witnesses, subjects or targets. Mueller’s determination that

Trump is a subject suggests he’s more pivotal to the investigation than a mere witness, a designation for someone who has observed events of interest to agents and prosecutors.

“The government will say you’re a subject trending to witness or you’re a subject trending toward target,” said Sharon McCarthy, a former federal prosecutor in Manhattan.

Though targets tend to be people the government is gathering evidence against with the goal of prosecuting, subjects have a much looser, broader definition.

“A subject means we’re still looking at you,” McCarthy said. “You’re a person of interest in this investigation.”

Still, the import of the designation wasn’t immediately clear. It is not known, for instance, if Mueller’s office has concluded that, at the moment, there is insufficient evidence to consider Trump a target. It is also possible that prosecutors agree they are bound by a Justice Department legal opinion that contends that a sitting president cannot be indicted.

A grand jury is the way indictments are issued. Yet the White

House witnesses with the most direct information about Trump’s actions in the White House have spoken privately with Mueller’s team instead of being summoned before the grand jury, a possible indication that their statements are being used for the purposes of assembling a report rather than pursuing criminal charges.

Mueller’s team has signaled that they’re interested in discussing several key episodes in the early parts of the Trump administration as they probe possible obstruction of justice.

Prosecutors have told the legal team they want to question Trump about the firings of former FBI Director James Comey and former National Security Adviser Michael Flynn.

Investigators want to discuss conversations Trump had with Comey in which the former FBI director has said the president encouraged him to end an active investigation into Flynn. They’re also interested in the events leading up to Flynn’s February 2017 firing.

Investigators have said they want to hear from the president to understand his intent and thinking during those events.

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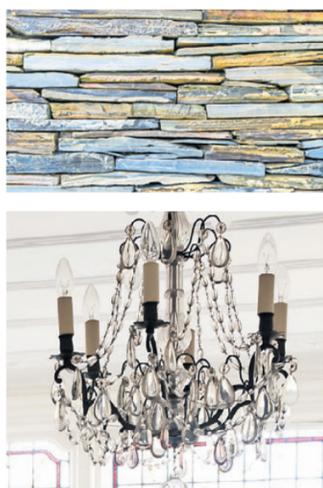
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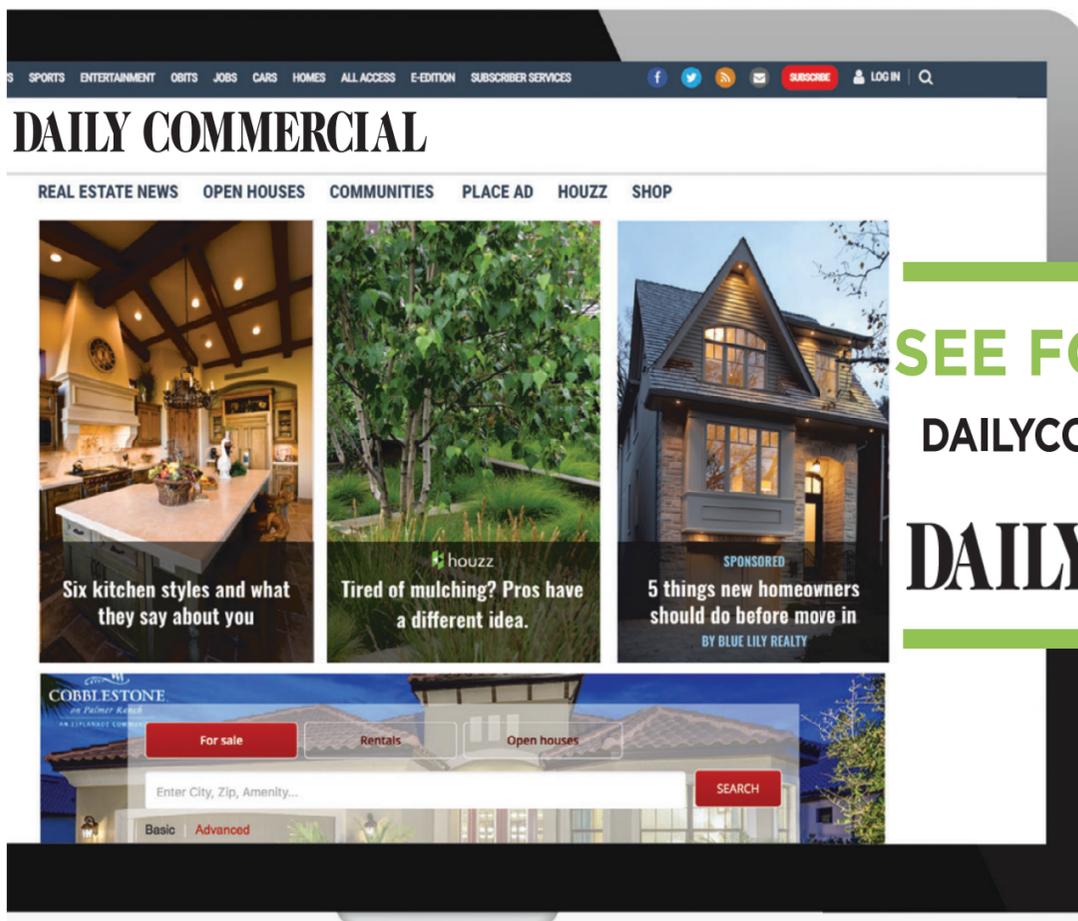
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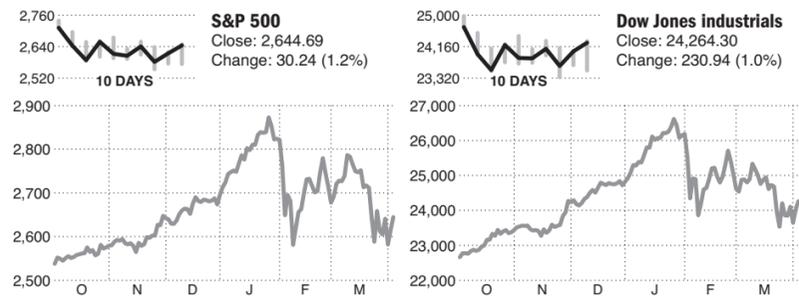
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DOW Trans.	10404.85	10184.67	10388.03	-6.22	-0.06%	-2.11%
DOW Util.	692.43	683.45	690.65	+1.64	+0.24%	-4.52%
NYSE Comp.	12482.71	12193.85	12466.45	+99.38	+0.80%	-2.67%
NASDAQ	7059.29	6811.77	7042.11	+100.82	+1.45%	+2.01%
S&P 500	2649.86	2573.61	2644.69	+30.24	+1.16%	-1.08%
S&P 400	1879.65	1835.21	1876.78	+16.41	+0.88%	-1.25%
Wilshire 5000	27469.73	26707.05	27420.69	+303.65	+1.12%	-1.34%
Russell 2000	1534.57	1491.69	1531.66	+19.50	+1.29%	-0.25%

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Amer Express	AXP	75.51	102.39	93.58	+84	+0.9	▲	▼	▲	-5.8	+19.7	16	1.40
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CocaCola Co	KO	42.19	48.62	44.24	+86	+2.0	▲	▲	▲	-3.6	+5.8	82	1.56f
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Disney	DIS	96.20	116.10	100.95	+1.53	+1.5	▲	▼	▲	-6.1	-10.7	14	1.68f
Gen Electric	GE	12.73	30.54	13.28	+15	+1.1	▼	▼	▼	-24.0	-53.7	dd	0.48
General Mills	GIS	43.84	60.69	45.37	+1.07	+2.4	▲	▼	▲	-23.5	-21.0	12	1.96
Harris Corp	HRS	106.18	164.58	162.29	+2.59	+1.6	▲	▲	▲	+14.6	+46.9	29	2.28
Home Depot	HD	144.25	207.61	177.44	+3.68	+2.1	▼	▼	▼	-6.4	+21.0	24	4.12f
IBM	IBM	139.13	172.56	154.12	+4.27	+2.8	▲	▼	▲	+0.5	-10.7	12	6.00
Lowes Cos	LOW	70.76	108.98	88.06	+2.61	+3.1	▲	▲	▲	-5.3	+6.1	20	1.64
NY Times	NYT	14.15	25.70	23.20	-05	-0.2	▼	▼	▼	+25.4	+64.9	cc	0.16
NextEra Energy	NEE	128.31	164.71	162.33	+3.33	+0.2	▼	▼	▼	+3.9	+29.0	24	4.44f
PepsiCo	PEP	105.94	122.51	110.18	+1.99	+1.8	▲	▲	▲	-8.1	-0.4	22	3.22
Suntrust Bks	STI	51.96	73.37	68.15	+96	+1.4	▲	▼	▲	+5.5	+23.8	17	1.60
Walmart Strs	WMT	72.73	109.98	87.22	+42	+0.5	▼	▼	▼	-11.7	+23.7	19	2.08f
Xerox Corp	XRX	26.64	37.42	28.31	+39	+1.4	▼	▼	▼	-2.9	-0.9	35	1.00

Stocks surge as market escapes early plunge on trade fears

By Marley Jay
AP Markets Writer

NEW YORK — After an early jolt, stocks rallied and finished higher Wednesday as investors bet that back-and-forth tariff threats between the U.S. and China won't blossom into a bigger dispute that damages global commerce.

The Dow Jones industrial average plunged 501 points after the opening bell but made it all back, and more. Household goods makers, retailers and homebuilders led the way while technology companies reversed some early losses. But two major targets of China's possible tariffs, aerospace company Boeing and farm equipment maker Deere, finished lower.

The early declines followed an announcement by the Chinese government that it plans to impose tariffs of 25 percent on a list of U.S. goods worth \$50 billion, including soybeans and aircraft. The U.S. plans to place tariffs on a similar amount of Chinese goods, including industrial robots and telecom gear, subject to potential tariffs to protest



Trader Tommy Kalikas works on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange, Wednesday, April 4, 2018. Stocks are opening sharply lower on Wall Street as an escalating trade dispute between the U.S. and China poses a threat to global economic growth and corporate profits. [AP PHOTO/RICHARD DREW]

Beijing's alleged theft of U.S. technology.

But investors relaxed as both sides emphasized a willingness to talk. President Donald Trump's top economic adviser, Larry Kudlow, suggested the U.S. tariffs won't be implemented if China lowers barriers to trade. Others noted the two countries have too much to lose from a trade war.

"The most likely outcome is smoke, but no fire," said Bill Adams, senior international economist at PNC Financial. "The amount that both countries have invested in bilateral trade cooperation and economic cooperation is so significant that the costs of going back would be very painful, and more than either country would want to bear." U.S. trade policy has

loomed over the markets since early March. Over the last five weeks stocks have plunged numerous times as investors reacted to tariff developments with shock and concern that an increase in protectionism will hurt international trade and company profits. But often, investors have caught their breath and decided that a full-blown trade war is unlikely, resulting in sharp recoveries.

On Wednesday, both of those things appeared to happen in the same day.

The Dow Jones industrial average advanced 230.94 points, or 1 percent, to 24,264.30, after a swing of more than 700 points. The S&P 500 index climbed 30.24 points, or 1.2 percent, to 2,644.69. The Nasdaq composite rose 100.83 points, or 1.5 percent, to 7,042.11. The Russell 2000 index of smaller-company stocks gained 19.51 points, or 1.3 percent, to 1,531.66.

Boeing, which delivered one-fourth of all its planes to China last year, fell as much as 5.7 percent early on and finished with a loss of \$3.38, or 1 percent, at \$327.44.

Adams, of PNC Financial,

said the tariffs would be especially painful for companies in agriculture: machinery makers in the U.S. would pay more for imported components, and they wouldn't sell as much food in China because their products would be more expensive. He said that will stir up political pressure against the trade sanctions.

Farm equipment maker Deere lost \$4.47, or 2.9 percent, to \$148.57, after an early drop of 6.2 percent. Futures for Soybeans, a big U.S. export to China, fell 2.2 percent on the CBOT.

However Adams said that there was good news for food producers, as the Chinese government proposed duties on imported beef, but not pork or chicken. Hormel jumped \$1.65, or 4.8 percent, to \$35.87.

European stocks fell. Germany's DAX lost 0.4 percent while the CAC 40 in France dipped 0.2 percent. The FTSE 100 in Britain gained 0.1 percent.

Most Asian indexes closed before China announced its tariff plan, but Hong Kong's Hang Seng was still trading and slumped 2.2 percent.

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OUR OPINION

Bracing for a lengthy ballot

November's ballot already looks mighty crowded. Florida has races for U.S. senator, governor and three Cabinet officials. Every ballot could have a congressional race and one or two state legislative races along with several judicial races. Lake County has three School Board seats and two County Commission seats open. Add to that races for the Florida House of Representatives and Senate, judge and a dozen other seats, and local voters are looking at a ballot that could take quite a while to complete.

That's a problem, because long ballots often translate into long lines at the polls — as they did in 2008 and 2012, where some voters waited hours to cast their ballot. Voters can opt for mail ballots or early voting, but those who choose to cast votes on Election Day shouldn't face unreasonable delays.

And the hits keep coming. Florida's Constitutional Revision Commission still has 24 proposals under active consideration. That speaks loudly to the commission's failure, thus far, to do its work: Many of the surviving proposals are obviously unworthy of being carved into the bedrock of Florida's government, and should have been weeded out much earlier in the process. If Floridians really want a Department of Veterans Affairs or Office of Counter-Terrorism, or are itching for a mandate to teach civics in high school, they should vote for lawmakers who support those goals. And today's good idea can run out of steam in years to come (along the lines of the "a high speed ground transportation system" that voters wrote into the state constitution in 2000, which never materialized).

As the commission makes its final choices, it should quash any measure that doesn't have the real heft of a constitutional issue.

Local leaders should tread lightly as well. It may be tempting for city and county officials to shirk their decision-making responsibilities by shifting tough issues onto the ballot, but they do their constituents no favors.

Meanwhile, state and local elections officials shouldn't bet on the Constitution Revision Commission showing the discipline to reject most of the proposals and gear up for a bulky ballot. That means having enough poll workers and voting machines to ensure that lines at precincts move briskly. Counties should also consider expanding early voting if a lengthy ballot makes that necessary. The key goal: Ensure that voters aren't discouraged and turned away.

We have no doubt Lake County Supervisor of Elections Alan Hays will do whatever he can to ensure local voters are accommodated as much as possible. Voting by mail may avoid "voter fatigue," where voters give up before the end of a lengthy ballot.

Voters should take the time to ensure their registrations are up to date. Now's the time to update it. And voters should start looking at the various issues and candidates that are already headed for the August primary as well as the November ballot.

It takes a lot of time to be an informed voter, and if this fall's ballot is as long as we think, being informed will require even more time and effort. It's time well-spent, though, but officials should keep that heavy burden in mind when adding issues to the ballot.

ANOTHER OPINION



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What's wrong in Washington (and America)



Cal Thomas

At dinner with friends, I was asked what is wrong with Washington. The question presumes a standard by which "wrong" can be defined.

I am frequently asked this question by people who do not live in "the swamp." They don't behave like Washington politicians. If a disagreement arises in their personal or professional life, they discuss it and usually compromise and work things out. Only in Washington, they note, does this rarely happen and when it does it makes headlines.

The most obvious answer to the question I am asked — often before the appetizer arrives — is that it is about power, about raising money to achieve it, and then holding onto it once you've gotten it. A corollary is that if an issue is actually resolved, it disappears as a fundraising and electoral tool. That is why certain issues resurface during (and between) election cycles. Issues like the poor (but likely only when Republicans are in power, not when Democrats hold the majority), education (stated goals are never achieved, and no matter how much is spent

it is never enough, which is why the left opposes school choice), the environment ("climate change" appears to remain an unchallengeable doctrine for the left, though there is some evidence ignored by liberal media that strongly suggests otherwise), taxes and spending (history shows the benefits of small government and low taxes, but in an age of envy, greed and entitlement one finds it increasingly difficult to teach self-reliance when the federal government is seen by too many as a giant ATM).

Term limits for those who stay too long at the government "fair" would contribute mightily to draining the swamp, but that is unlikely to happen because Congress would have to vote for them. That's not likely to happen. Politicians are not about to vote themselves out of office, so we the people must give them a push.

Another contributing factor to Washington's dysfunction is the expectation that government can — or should — solve every problem. That it consistently demonstrates it cannot does little to dissuade some from believing it can. This is cult-like thinking in which evidence never squashes faith.

If Washington dysfunction is to end, I say to my dinner companions, the expectations of the American people must change.

Where can people look for inspiration? Certainly

not the news media, which consistently promotes government as the only solution to any problem, no matter how often government fails. What about the entertainment industry? Hardly. Most films and TV are about promoting social and political agendas held by "progressives."

Academia? When I was in college, the purpose of a good education was to enable students to establish careers that would allow them to take care of themselves and their families. At too many universities today it seems one is "taught" left-wing propaganda and subjects that have nothing to do with preparing someone to have a career that relates to anything most people wish to buy or in which they might have an interest.

Where have you gone Horatio Alger and all of the inspiring stories named after you? Where are the models for success that once inspired others to follow these examples?

The solution to government dysfunction can be found in the Constitution, history and common sense. All are being ignored and so government, its cost and its multiple failures expand, leading to an eventual and inevitable breaking point.

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FACEBOOK FORUM

Lake County School Board member Bill Mathias submitted an opinion column about his plan for school security. Here's what Facebook users had to say:

"Terrible idea... This guy (School resource officer St. Francis Smith) has a much better plan." — **Christopher Craine**

"Easy! Provide a small stipen for all employees for ammo and range time provided with their lake co employee badge.. and let them carry their concealed weapon on grounds. Stop placating to those with the hidden agenda of just removing weapons period. Start defending by learning HOW bad guys will use the system. Trust me more teachers and staff than you recognize carry legally and trained they just don't sound off for fear of reprisals from hysterical left of center agenda folks." — **Steven Mumford**

"Mr. Mathias instead of your own agenda find one that works for everyone." — **Cinda Manley**

"I never wanted a gun in my home and I sure as hell don't trust anyone else to have a gun who is sitting in a room with my kid. Teachers are under a LOT of stress and have already said they do not want guns in their classrooms. Give us metal detectors and fences and funnel staff and kids thru that. Done." — **Crystal Cinco**

"Why are we still talking about this? Clearly, the people have spoken and they DON'T want it. There are some that want it, so let's find a compromise that makes everyone happy, or at least as many as can be made happy. We need to listen to what the people want, not what WE want. That's what is expected from elected officials. If you don't, they'll let you know at

the polls this August." — **Mike Sykes for School Board District 1**

"or all of you who want compromise and some plan that makes everyone happy. Put the safety of your kids first. Implement this plan until, or if a better solution can be found. Think with your head and not your political agenda. Had this been in place, the casualties down south would have been greatly reduced. Just like in Maryland." — **Lou Cummings**

"Do what businesses do. Use a zero-based budgeting approach to re-baseline ALL of the county's and school board's budgets. Every expense has to be justified for each new budget period. By starting from a zero base, every function and department is analyzed related to its needs, balanced against other needs. Government ALWAYS has excesses and redundancies. Businesses and families can't

increase their incomes arbitrarily and neither should government." — **Andrea J. Lawrence**

"No thanks to amateur gun-toting teachers." — **Roy Alpita**

"It does not have to be firearms. Non lethal weapons should be an option. It would appeal to a broader range of people. I've been around guns most of my life but, I am not comfortable carrying a firearm around my 5 year old. I can understand why folks are concerned however, I believe every staff member should have the ability to defend themselves/others with a weapon they comfortable and properly trained with. Pepper spray, tasers and a variety of other weapons would also be effective. It would be irresponsible of the board to put staff and children in the position of cowering in a corner waiting to die." — **Tod Howard**

"Please do not arm teachers.

Please do place appropriate mental health/psychologist in each school that is proactive and not reactive in response. Identify those kids that are struggling and stop something bad before it even becomes a thought. Children are our future and it takes a village to raise them. Make our village better." — **Lisa Marie**

"So why can't teachers carry tasers? Or other non-lethal means? That nullifies the left's progressive stance on putting 'scary guns' in schools and arming 'amateur' teachers with lethal weapons." — **Jeff Jenkins**

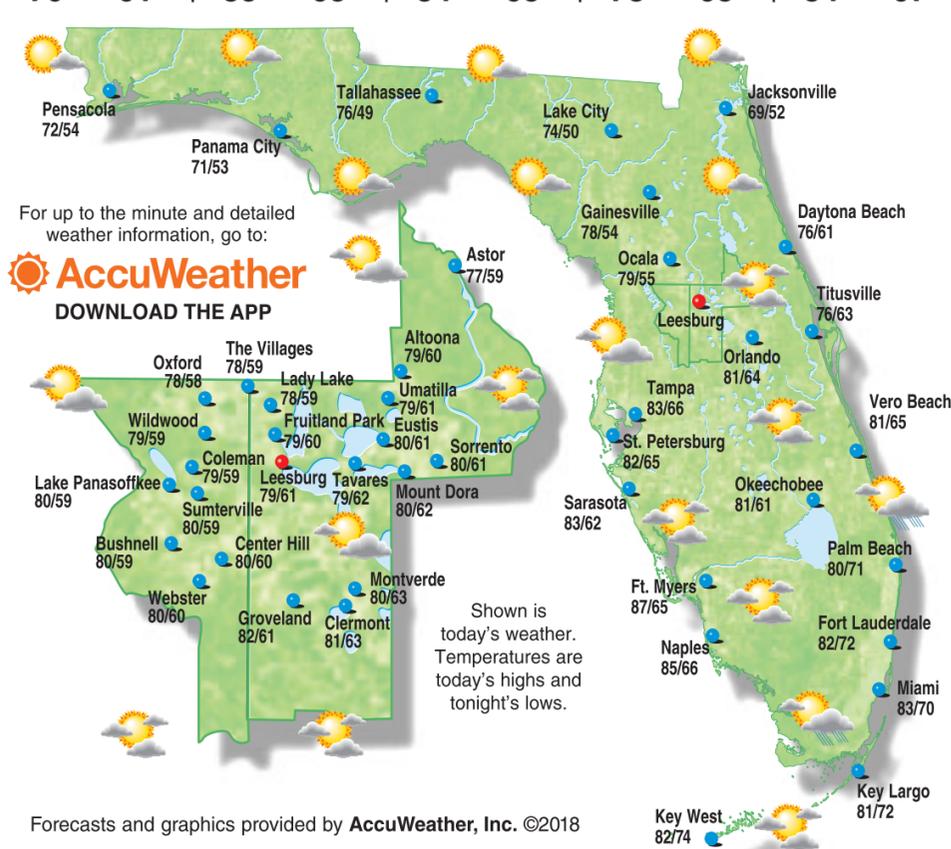
"To be quite honest, the Mathias proposal to put hundreds of guns into Lake's classrooms feels like we are stumbling, without thought, into the Third World. There are alternatives to this divisive plan. We can do better." — **Frank Layne Wood**

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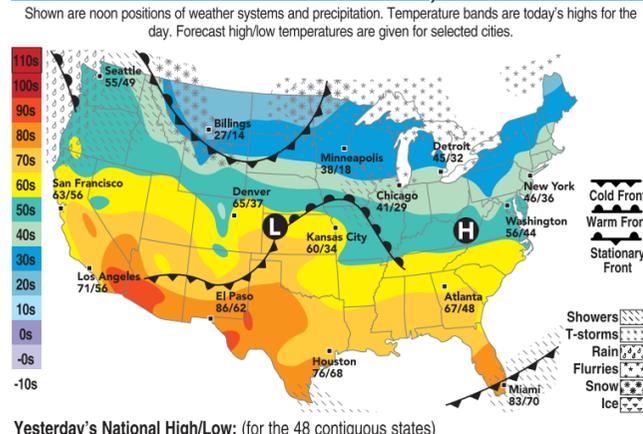
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NATIONAL CITIES

City	Today Hi Lo W	Friday Hi Lo W	City	Today Hi Lo W	Friday Hi Lo W	City	Today Hi Lo W	Friday Hi Lo W	City	Today Hi Lo W	Friday Hi Lo W
Albany	39 25 pc	48 32 sn	Cheyenne	56 28 pc	29 17 sn	Great Falls	25 10 sn	23 10 sn	Norfolk, VA	55 44 s	72 57 pc
Albuquerque	73 52 c	76 47 pc	Chicago	41 29 sn	38 18 pc	Greensboro, NC	61 43 s	71 49 pc	Oklahoma City	69 50 pc	64 23 r
Anchorage	43 25 c	39 28 s	Cincinnati	50 40 pc	56 25 pc	Hartford	45 25 pc	52 35 r	Omaha	53 25 pc	30 16 sn
Asheville	63 39 pc	68 52 c	Cleveland	41 34 pc	47 25 c	Honolulu	82 69 sh	80 72 c	Philadelphia	48 38 pc	62 38 c
Atlanta	67 48 s	71 59 pc	Columbia, SC	68 43 s	78 60 pc	Houston	76 68 pc	84 63 t	Phoenix	92 66 pc	91 70 pc
Atlantic City	49 35 s	63 42 c	Concord, NH	41 24 pc	44 33 sn	Indianapolis	49 36 pc	47 24 sf	Pittsburgh	42 35 pc	50 26 c
Baltimore	51 38 pc	65 38 c	Dallas	74 62 pc	83 37 t	Jackson, MS	72 53 s	77 53 t	Portland, ME	42 25 s	42 33 sn
Billings	27 14 sn	22 10 sn	Dayton	45 35 pc	49 24 pc	Kansas City	60 34 c	36 16 c	Portland, OR	57 52 r	67 51 r
Birmingham	70 49 pc	71 56 pc	Denver	65 37 pc	41 22 c	Las Vegas	87 64 pc	86 67 pc	Providence	47 29 pc	50 39 sn
Bismarck	30 7 sn	22 6 pc	Des Moines	49 26 c	31 16 sn	Little Rock	66 49 pc	68 37 r	Raleigh	61 42 s	72 56 pc
Boise	59 47 sh	64 51 c	Detroit	45 32 pc	44 23 c	Louisville	58 44 pc	61 29 pc	Reno	65 46 c	59 51 r
Boston	46 30 s	47 38 sh	Duluth	34 13 sn	24 12 pc	Memphis	65 52 pc	67 37 t	Richmond	58 41 s	72 50 c
Buffalo	34 29 sf	39 25 sn	El Paso	86 62 s	87 58 pc	Milwaukee	39 28 sn	36 18 pc	Sacramento	66 53 c	65 56 r
Burlington, VT	35 25 pc	42 31 sn	Fargo	28 7 sn	20 5 pc	Minneapolis	38 18 sn	25 11 pc	St. Louis	57 39 c	45 22 r
Charleston, SC	67 48 s	76 61 s	Fairbanks	36 16 s	39 16 s	Nashville	61 47 pc	66 35 t	Salt Lake City	68 48 pc	62 53 sh
Charleston, WV	54 40 pc	60 33 pc	Flagstaff	67 38 pc	67 43 pc	New Orleans	74 62 s	79 69 t	San Antonio	79 68 pc	87 52 c
Charlotte, NC	64 44 s	73 56 pc	Grand Rapids	41 27 c	37 16 sf	New York City	46 36 pc	56 36 c	San Diego	66 58 pc	67 61 pc

NATIONAL WEATHER FOR APRIL 5, 2018



Yesterday's National High/Low: (for the 48 contiguous states)
 High 88° in Immokalee, FL Low -8° in Crane Lake, MN

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SOLAR TABLE

The solar period schedule allows planning days so you will be fishing in good territory or hunting in good cover during those times. Major periods begin at the times shown and last for 1.5 to 2 hours. The minor periods are shorter.

Major	Minor	Major	Minor
Today 4:17 a.m.	10:29 a.m.	4:41 p.m.	10:53 p.m.
Fri. 5:09 a.m.	11:21 a.m.	5:33 p.m.	11:45 p.m.

THE SUN AND MOON

	Today	Friday
Sunrise	7:13 a.m.	7:12 a.m.
Sunset	7:48 p.m.	7:48 p.m.
Moonrise	none	12:48 a.m.
Moonsset	10:52 a.m.	11:37 a.m.



TIDES

Day	High	Feet	Low	Feet
Today	9:33 am	0.7	4:11 am	0.1
	8:32 pm	1.5	2:44 pm	0.2

Day	High	Feet	Low	Feet
Fri.	10:30 am	0.6	4:51 am	0.2
	9:14 pm	1.5	3:26 pm	0.2

White House says Syria mission coming to 'a rapid end'

By Josh Lederman and Darlene Superville
 Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The White House said Wednesday that the U.S. military mission in Syria was coming to “a rapid end” but offered no firm timeline for a withdrawal, even as President Donald Trump has insisted it’s time for American troops to return home.

With allies anxious about a hasty U.S. withdrawal, the Trump administration said it would stay in war-torn Syria to finish off the job of defeating the Islamic State group and was committed to eliminating the militants’ “small” presence that “our forces have not already eradicated.”

But White House press secretary Sarah Sanders suggested that would not be a long-term endeavor, and she described the extremist group that once controlled vast swaths of Syria and Iraq as “almost completely destroyed.”

There were clear signs the United States was narrowing its mission in Syria, still in the throes of a long-running civil war, and would focus only on defeating IS and not on the broader task of stabilizing the country and ensuring that the extremists cannot re-emerge.

“We will continue to consult with our allies and friends regarding future plans,” Sanders said in a brief written statement. “We expect countries in the region and beyond, plus the United Nations, to work toward peace and ensure” that IS never comes back.

Trump and his national security team are having a contentious debate about the future U.S. role in Syria, where an American-led coalition has been fighting IS since 2014. Roughly 2,000 U.S. troops are currently in Syria.

The president met with top aides Tuesday before telling reporters that he wanted to “get out” and “bring our



A soldier sits in an armored vehicle on a road leading to the tense front line with Turkish-backed fighters, in Manbij, north Syria on Wednesday. President Donald Trump expects to decide “very quickly” whether to remove U.S. troops from war-torn Syria, saying their primary mission was to defeat the Islamic State group and “we’ve almost completed that task.” [HUSSEIN MALLA/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS]

troops back home.” CIA Director Mike Pompeo, who has been nominated to be secretary of state, and other advisers strongly advised Trump against too quick a withdrawal, according to U.S. officials who spoke on condition of anonymity to discuss internal talks.

U.S. officials and foreign governments have been concerned that without a continued American military presence, IS could re-constitute itself or others could fill the void. There are fears, too, that Iran could gain further ground in the country.

Before that meeting, Trump said he expected to decide “very quickly” whether to remove U.S. forces and that

their primary mission was to defeat IS. “We’ve almost completed that task,” he said.

At a news conference with the leaders of the Baltic nations, Trump was asked whether he still favored pulling U.S. troops out of Syria.

“As far as Syria is concerned, our primary mission in terms of that was getting rid of ISIS,” Trump said, using an acronym for the extremist group. “We’ve completed that task and we’ll be making a decision very quickly, in coordination with others in the area, as to what we will do.”

The mission is “very costly for our country and it helps other countries a helluva lot more than it helps us,” Trump said.

“I want to get out. I want to bring our troops back home. I want to start rebuilding our nation,” he said.

Yet some of his military advisers spoke at a separate event in Washington about the need to stay in Iraq and Syria to finish off IS, especially remnants of IS in eastern Syria.

“The hard part, I think, is in front of us, and that is stabilizing these areas, consolidating our gains, getting people back into their homes, addressing the long-term issues” such as reconstruction. “There is a military role in this, certainly in the stabilization phase,” said Gen. Joseph Votel, commander of U.S. Central Command,

which oversees U.S. military operations across the Middle East, including Syria.

Another lingering question is the fate of some \$200 million in U.S. stabilization assistance for Syria that the White House put on hold after Trump said last week that he wanted to leave Syria “very soon.” The State Department was to have spent the money on building up the country’s infrastructure, including power, water and roads.

Trump in recent weeks has asked Saudi Arabia to contribute \$4 billion for reconstruction in Syria, according to a U.S. official, as part of the president’s effort to get other countries to pay for stabilizing the country so the U.S. isn’t on the hook.

The United States is awaiting a response from the Saudis, said the official, who wasn’t authorized to discuss the conversations publicly and spoke on condition of anonymity.

A senior Syrian Kurdish official said Trump’s comments on wanting to withdraw from Syria came at an “inappropriate time” as IS re-emerges in eastern Syria and amid threats from Turkey.

The main IS holdout in Syria is in the eastern province of Deir el-Zour, where momentum by the U.S.-backed Syrian Democratic Forces has stalled in recent weeks as many Kurdish members of the group have shifted west to the Afrin area to fight Turkish forces. Pentagon officials have publicly raised the prospect of this giving the IS group the breathing room it needs to regroup.

Many have warned that a premature U.S. withdrawal from Syria would cede the country to Iran and Russia, which have supported Syrian President Bashar Assad. Iran’s continued presence in Syria is especially troubling to neighboring Israel, a U.S. ally that regards Iran as an existential threat.

SPORTS

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HIGH SCHOOL NOTEBOOK

Area athletes heading to college

By Frank Jolley
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Several student athletes from Lake and Sumter counties have recently signed or have arranged to sign national letters of intent with colleges to continue their playing careers at the next level.

Three signees took part in a ceremony last week at South Lake High School, while another took place Tuesday at Tavares and two others plan to sign in the coming days.

At South Lake, Hannah Thomas-Barnes, Frank Johnson and Timothy Mootoo signed on March 29 in the South Lake auditorium. Thomas-Barnes, a two-sport standout with the Eagles, signed with St. Petersburg College to play softball, while Johnson and Mootoo signed with Webber International University in Babson Park.

Currently, Barnes is hitting .434 for the Eagles. She leads the team with a 1,000 fielding percentage, having yet

to make an error in 63 total chances.

Johnson, a right wing and midfielder on the soccer team, recorded three points for the Eagles in 2017-18, with three assists.

Mootoo, a midfielder, scored three goals and totaled six points for the Eagles, which sported a 3-11 record in 2017-18.

St. Petersburg College is a junior college that is part of the Florida College System. The Titans are members of

the National Junior College Athletic Association and play in the Suncoast Conference.

Webber International is a Division I member of the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) and plays in the Sun Conference.

At Tavares, Steven Aufer signed with Southeastern University in Lakeland during a ceremony on Tuesday. During his high school career as an offensive and defensive lineman, Aufer also spent

time at Umatilla and played in various national all-star games.

In addition, Austin Skipper, a linebacker at Wildwood, will sign with Webber International during a ceremony on Friday at Wildwood Middle High School. Skipper helped restore pride in the Wildcats following an undefeated regular season.

His play earned the respect of many, including Wildwood

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Back on track



Dustin Johnson blasts from a bunker to the 18th green during a practice round for the Masters at Augusta National Golf Club in Augusta, Ga., on Tuesday. [CURTIS COMPTON / ATLANTA JOURNAL-CONSTITUTION VIA AP]

Johnson's goal at this Masters is to get to the 1st tee

By Doug Ferguson
Associated Press

AUGUSTA, Ga. — The recovery from the back injury took a lot longer than he imagined, longer than the sting of having to miss the Masters.

Dustin Johnson, with a history of misfortune in the majors, has a remarkable knack of moving forward.

If only everyone would quit reminding him.

"I get asked about it every day out here on the range or walking down the fairway," Johnson said. "So I'm reminded all the time."

The back injury getting most of the attention at this year's Masters belongs to Tiger Woods, and for good reason. It was far more severe, requiring four surgeries over four years, the last one fusion in the lumbar area. More than keeping Woods from playing Augusta National three of the past four years, he hardly played at all.

Johnson's injury was a freak accident at the worst time.

He had won his last three tournaments against three of the strongest fields of the year, which not only elevated him to No. 1 in the world, it made him the biggest favorite at the Masters since Woods was at his peak.

Then 24 hours before he was

to tee off, calamity struck.

Johnson was still wearing socks after returning home from the gym. It was raining. His son was headed back from day care, so he ran downstairs in his rental home to move the car. The stairs were wooden, a bad combination with socks. Johnson slipped and crashed down the stairs, wrenching his back. His brother, Austin, was the first to reach him and still recalls the wild eyes of his older brother looking up at him.

Johnson tried to loosen up on the range. He went to the putting green. And then he had no choice but to withdraw.

"It was just a freak thing, and it happened. There's nothing I

can do about it except I'm here this year," Johnson said Tuesday. "Hopefully, I can tee it up (today). Definitely be looking forward to that."

One year later, so much has changed. Johnson remains No. 1 in the world for the 59th consecutive week — only Woods (three times), Greg Norman (twice) and Nick Faldo have held the No. 1 ranking longer.

But he hasn't won since the first tournament of the year, an eight-shot victory at Kapalua. He came close at Pebble Beach until Ted Potter Jr. beat him in the final round. He was not particularly close in his last start, losing all three matches in his group at the

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**FINALLY
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Five things we know about UF football

By Robbie Andru
Gatehouse Media

GAINESVILLE — Florida is six solid practices and one so-so scrimmage into spring football practice, so there's a lot of work — and a spring game — still to go.

But here are five things we already know about the Gators:

1. QB race is tighter than ever

Heading into last Friday's scrimmage, Feleipe Franks appeared to be the clear early leader for the starting role. He'd worked mostly with the No. 1 offense in practice and was sharp in passing drills, showing accuracy and the ability to go through his progressions to find the open receiver. Then in the scrimmage he looked like the old Feleipe, struggling with accuracy and turning the ball over.

His performance — only seven completions in 22 attempts with three interceptions — has only tightened the race. And the QB who is the biggest threat to Franks is Kyle Trask, who had much better success moving the offense than Franks in the scrimmage. His confidence appears to be growing. Things could change over the next two weeks, but as it stands right now, it looks like a two-man race between Franks and Trask.

2. Receivers are getting open

Here's something we haven't seen in a while: UF's wide receivers are creating separation from the defensive backs and getting open. And it's not just the new guys — transfers Van Jefferson and Trevon Grimes — that are doing it. So are some of the receivers

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New FBS coaches most likely to succeed

By Ralph D. Russo
Associated Press

Among the many emails former Tennessee athletic director John Currie received when he began to search for a coach to replace Butch Jones was one from an Alabama athletic department staffer with the subject "Head Coaching Analysis."

It included six pages of charts, graphs, numbers and pictures that told the story of every head coach hired since 2000 by the "Top 25 historic football programs," determined by using decades of The

Associated Press rankings.

Using a weighted formula that combined winning percentage, percentage of top-10 finishes in the AP poll and percentage of seasons winning a national championship, and putting extra emphasis on the most recent five seasons, each coach's stint at a school was given an efficiency rating.

What the numbers revealed was mostly what we already know: Nick Saban is doing great at Alabama; Urban Meyer's tenure at Ohio State has been excellent; and hiring

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Dan Mullen speaks after being introduced as the new head football coach at Florida on Nov. 27, 2017, in Gainesville.

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SPORTS ON TV

COLLEGE HOCKEY

6 p.m.
 ESPN2 — NCAA Tournament, first semifinal, Minnesota-Duluth vs. Ohio St., at St. Paul, Minn.
 9:30 p.m.
 ESPN2 — NCAA Tournament, second semifinal, Michigan vs. Notre Dame, at St. Paul, Minn.

GOLF

3 p.m.
 ESPN — The Masters, first round, at Augusta, Ga.
 11:35 p.m.
 CBS — The Masters, highlights, first round, at Augusta, Ga.

MLB BASEBALL

2 p.m.
 MLB — Tampa Bay at Boston OR N.Y. Mets at Washington (1 p.m.)
 7 p.m.
 MLB — Arizona at St. Louis OR Cincinnati at Pittsburgh

TODAY'S LOCAL SCHEDULE

Have a local sporting event you would like to have included in our schedule? Email details to Sports Editor Paul Jenkins at paul.jenkins@dailyccommercial.com.

HIGH SCHOOL

BASEBALL
 Montverde Academy at Crooms Academy, 4:30 p.m.
 Peniel Baptist at Mount Dora Christian, 6 p.m.
 St. John Lutheran at First Academy of Leesburg, 6 p.m.
 Wildwood at West Port, 6:30 p.m.
 Lambert at East Ridge, 7 p.m.
 Eustis at Ocala Forest, 7 p.m.
 Real Life Christian at Cornerstone Charter, 7 p.m.

BOYS LACROSSE

Lake Nona at Lake Minneola, 7 p.m.

LSSC softball earns doubleheader split

Lake-Sumter State College rallied in the second game of a doubleheader to earn a split with St. Johns River State College on Tuesday.

Trailing 6-2 in the fourth inning, Lake-Sumter tied the game on a grand slam by Rachel Phelps on the way to a 9-8 victory. St. Johns took the first game 5-3.

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NBA BASKETBALL

8 p.m.
 TNT — Washington at Cleveland
 10:30 p.m.
 TNT — Minnesota at Denver

NHL HOCKEY

7 p.m.
 NBCSN — Nashville at Washington

SOCCER

3 p.m.
 FS1 — UEFA Europa League, quarterfinal, Arsenal vs CSKA Moscow
 7 p.m.
 FS1 — Women, International friendly, United States vs. Mexico, at Jacksonville

WINTER SPORTS

10:30 p.m.
 NBCSN — Curling: World Men's Championship, round robin, Canada vs. United States, at Las Vegas

GIRLS LACROSSE

South Lake at Ocoee, 6:30 p.m.
 Lake Minneola at Celebration, 6:30 p.m.
SOFTBALL
 Wildwood at First Academy of Leesburg, 4:30 p.m.
 Mount Dora Christian at Leesburg, 6 p.m.
 Tavares at Umatilla, 6 p.m.
 Ocala West Port at Mount Dora, 6 p.m.
 Real Life Christian at Kissimmee Klassic
TENNIS
 Dr. Phillips at East Ridge, 3:30 p.m.
TRACK & FIELD
 Lake/Sumter Invitational at Lake Minneola, 4 p.m.

earned the win for the Lakehawks in the second game and Jasmine McQuaig got the final six outs for the save.

Lake-Sumter is 29-22 overall and 8-8 in the Mid-Florida Conference with eight games remaining in the regular season. The Lakehawks are ranked 10th in Region 8, the first time they have been ranked in the region since 2014.

GOLF

Masters Tee Times

At Augusta National Golf Club
 Augusta, Ga.
 a-amateur
 Today-Friday
 8:30 a.m.-11:15 a.m. — Austin Cook, Ted Potter Jr., Wesley Bryan
 8:41 a.m.-11:26 a.m. — Ian Woosnam, Ryan Moore, Jhonattan Vegas
 8:52 a.m.-11:37 a.m. — Mike Weir, Brendan Steele, a-Matt Parziale.
 9:03 a.m.-11:48 a.m. — Jose Maria Olazabal, Kevin Chappell, Dylan Frittelli.
 9:14 a.m.-11:59 a.m. — Bryson DeChambeau, Bernd Wiesberger, Matt Fitzpatrick.
 9:25 a.m.-12:10 p.m. — Mark O'Meara, Brian Harman, a-Harry Ellis.
 9:36 a.m.-1:05 p.m. — Vijay Singh, Satoshi Kodaira, Daniel Berger.
 9:47 a.m.-12:43 p.m. — Kiradech Aphibarnrat, Pat Perez, Francesco Molinari.
 9:58 a.m.-12:54 p.m. — Danny Willett, Kyle Stanley, Jason Dufner.
 10:09 a.m.-1:05 p.m. — Hideki Matsuyama, Patton Kizzire, Paul Casey.
 10:31 a.m.-1:16 p.m. — Zach Johnson, Martin Kaymer, Brenden Grace.
 10:42 a.m.-1:27 p.m. — Tiger Woods, Marc Leishman, Tommy Fleetwood.
 10:53 a.m.-1:38 p.m. — Sergio Garcia, Justin Thomas, a-Doc Redman.
 11:04 a.m.-1:49 p.m. — Bubba Watson, Henrik Stenson, Jason Day.
 11:15 a.m.-2 p.m. — Patrick Reed, Charley Hoffman, Adam Hadwin.
 11:26 a.m.-1:30 p.m. — Billy Horschel, Chez Reavie, Cameron Smith.
 11:37 a.m.-8:41 a.m. — Sandy Lyie, Si Koo Kim, a-Doug Ghim.
 11:48 a.m.-8:52 a.m. — Trevor Immelman, Ian Poulter, Patrick Cantlay.
 11:59 a.m.-9:03 a.m. — Angel Cabrera, Ross Fisher, Jimmy Walker.
 12:10 p.m.-9:14 a.m. — Fred Couples, Li Haotong, a-Joaquin Niemann.
 12:32 p.m.-9:25 a.m. — Larry Mize, Russell Henley, Shubhankar Sharma.
 12:43 p.m.-9:36 a.m. — Bernhard Langer, Tony Finau, Yuta Ikeda.
 12:54 p.m.-9:47 a.m. — Charli Schwartzel, Webb Simpson, a-Lin Yuxin.
 1:05 p.m.-9:58 a.m. — Kevin Kisner, Thomas Pieters, Xander Schauffele.
 1:16 p.m.-10:09 a.m. — Gary Woodland, Yusaku Miyazato, Tyrrell Hatton.
 1:27 p.m.-10:31 a.m. — Phil Mickelson, Rickie Fowler, Matt Kuchar.
 1:38 p.m.-10:42 a.m. — Adam Scott, Rory McIlroy, Jon Rahm.
 1:49 p.m.-10:53 a.m. — Jordan Spieth, Alex Noren, Louis Oosthuizen.
 2 p.m.-11:04 a.m. — Justin Rose, Dustin Johnson, Rafa Cabrera Bello.

AUTO RACING

NASCAR Monster Energy Cup Schedule and standings
 Feb. 11 — x-Advance Auto Parts Clash, Daytona Beach, Fla. (Brad Keselowski)
 Feb. 15 — x-Can-Am Duel 1, Daytona Beach, Fla. (Ryan Blaney)
 Feb. 15 — x-Can-Am Duel 2, Daytona Beach, Fla. (Chase Elliott)
 Feb. 18 — Daytona 500, Daytona Beach, Fla. (Austin Dillon)
 Feb. 25 — Folds of Honor QuikTrip 500, Hampton, Ga. (Kevin Harvick)
 March 4 — Penzoil 400, Las Vegas (Kevin Harvick)
 March 11 — TicketGuardian 500, Avondale, Ariz. (Kevin Harvick)
 March 18 — Auto Club 400, Fontana, Calif. (Martin Truex Jr.)
 March 25 — STP 500, Martinsville, Va. (Clint Bowyer)
 April 8 — O'Reilly Auto Parts 500, Fort Worth, Texas
 April 15 — Food City 500, Bristol, Tenn.
 April 21 — Toyota Owners 400, Richmond, Va.
 April 29 — GEICO 500, Lincoln, Ala.
 May 6 — AAA 400 Drive for Autism, Dover, Del.
 May 12 — TBA, Kansas City, Kan.
 May 19 — x-NASCAR All-Star Open, Concord, N.C.
 May 19 — x-NASCAR All-Star Race, Concord, N.C.
 May 27 — Coca-Cola 600, Concord, N.C.
 June 3 — Pocono 400, Lond Pond, Pa.
 June 10 — FireKeepers Casino 400, Brooklyn, Mich.
 June 24 — Toyota/Save Mart 350, Sonoma, Calif.
 July 1 — Overton's 400, Joliet, Ill.
 July 7 — Coke Zero 400, Daytona Beach, Fla.
 July 14 — Quaker State 400, Sparta, Ky.
 July 22 — New Hampshire 301, Loudon
 July 29 — Gander Outdoors 400, Long Pond, Pa.
 Aug. 5 — GoBowling at The Glen, Watkins Glen, N.Y.
 Aug. 12 — TBA, Brooklyn, Mich.
 Aug. 18 — Bass Pro Shops NRA Night Race, Bristol, Tenn.
 Sept. 2 — Bojangles' Southern 500, Darlington, S.C.
 Sept. 9 — Big Machine Brickyard 400, Indianapolis
 Sept. 16 — South Point 400, Las Vegas
 Sept. 22 — Federated Auto Parts 400, Richmond, Va.
 Sept. 30 — Bank of America 500, Concord, N.C.
 Oct. 7 — TBA, Dover, Del.
 Oct. 14 — Alabama 500, Lincoln, Ala.
 Oct. 21 — Hollywood Casino 400, Kansas City, Kan.
 Oct. 28 — First Data 500, Martinsville, Va.
 Nov. 4 — AAA Texas 500, Fort Worth
 Nov. 11 — Can-Am 500, Avondale, Ariz.
 Nov. 18 — Ford EcoBoost 400, Homestead, Fla.
 x-non-points race
 Points Leaders
 Through March 26
 1. Kyle Busch, 257
 2. Martin Truex Jr., 249
 3. Ryan Blaney, 233
 4. Joey Logano, 232
 5. Brad Keselowski, 226
 6. Denny Hamlin, 217
 7. Kevin Harvick, 212
 8. Clint Bowyer, 210
 9. Kyle Larson, 195
 10. Kurt Busch, 177
 11. Aric Almirola, 171
 12. Erik Jones, 152
 13. Austin Dillon, 148
 14. Alex Bowman, 145
 15. Paul Menard, 139
 16. Ryan Newman, 135
 17. Jimmie Johnson, 121
 18. Chase Elliott, 115
 19. AJ Allmendinger, 110
 20. William Byron, 108

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL
American League
NEW YORK YANKEES — Acquired INF-OF Cody Asche from Kansas City for a player to be named or cash considerations and assigned him to Scranton/Wilkes-Barre (IL).
National League
ATLANTA BRAVES — Designated C Chris Stewart for assignment. Selected the contract of RHP Luke Jackson.
CINCINNATI REDS — Announced C Stuart Turner cleared waivers and was sent outright to Louisville (IL).
Can-Am League
ROCKLAND BOULDERS — Signed LHP Garrett Johnson.
BASKETBALL
National Basketball Association
ATLANTA HAWKS — Recalled Fs Tyler Cavanaugh and Jeremy Evans and transferred G Josh Magette and F Andrew White III from Erie (NBAGL).
FOOTBALL
National Football League
ATLANTA FALCONS — Agreed to terms with S Kemal Ishman.
BALTIMORE RAVENS — Agreed to terms with QB Robert Griffin III on a one-year contract.
BUFFALO BILLS — Agreed to terms with DE Terrence Fede on a one-year contract.
INDIANAPOLIS COLTS — Signed G Jeremy Vujnovich to a one-year contract.
HOCKEY
National Hockey League
ARIZONA COYOTES — Recalled D Dakota Mermis from Tucson (AHL).
DETROIT RED WINGS — Assigned RW Evgeny Svechnikov, D Joe Hicketts and G Tom McCollum to Grand Rapids (AHL).
WASHINGTON CAPITALS — Signed F Brian Pinho to a two-year entry-level contract.
American Hockey League
SAN ANTONIO RAMPAGE — Signed D Turner Ottenbreit to an amateur tryout contract.
SOCCER
United Soccer League
NASHVILLE SC — Signed D David Edgar.
COLLEGE
AUBURN — Announced sophomore G Mustapha Heron will enter the NBA draft.
ELIZABETH CITY STATE — Named Dr. Claudie Mackey interim athletic director.
GEORGIA — Named Chad Dollar men's assistant basketball coach.
LSU-ALEXANDRIA — Announced women's redshirt freshman basketball D Daynaye Bayonne has transferred from Louisiana-Lafayette.
MISSISSIPPI — Named Yolett McPhee-McCuin women's basketball coach.

PRO FOOTBALL

NFL draft
 At Dallas, First-Round Order, April 26:
 1. Cleveland
 2. New York Giants
 3. New York Jets (from Indianapolis)
 4. Cleveland (from Houston)
 5. Denver
 6. Indianapolis (from N.Y. Jets)
 7. Tampa Bay
 8. Chicago
 9. San Francisco
 10. Oakland
 11. Miami
 12. Buffalo (from Cincinnati)
 13. Washington
 14. Green Bay
 15. Arizona
 16. Baltimore
 17. Los Angeles Chargers
 18. Seattle
 19. Dallas
 20. Detroit
 21. Cincinnati (from Buffalo)
 22. Buffalo (from Kansas City)
 23. New England (from L.A. Rams)
 24. Carolina
 25. Tennessee
 26. Atlanta
 27. New Orleans
 28. Pittsburgh
 29. Jacksonville
 30. Minnesota
 31. New England
 32. Philadelphia

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

MEN'S BASKETBALL
NCAA TOURNAMENT
FINAL FOUR
At The Alamodome, San Antonio
National Semifinals
March 31
 Spellman 3-82-2 8, Paschall 2-5 1-2 6, Brunson 4-13 0-0 9, Booth 1-4 0-0 2, Bridges 7-12 2-2 19, Cosby-Roundtree 0-0 0-0 0, Samuels 0-0 0-0 0, Delaney 0-0 0-0 0, Gillespie 0-0 4-4 4, DiVincenzo 10-15 6-10 31, Totals 27-57 15-20 79.
 Halftime—Villanova 37-28, 3-Point Goals—Michigan 3-23 (Abdur-Rahkman 2-7, Wagner 1-4, Watson 0-1, Poole 0-2, Simpson 0-2, Matthews 0-2, Livers 0-2, Robinson 0-3), Villanova 10-27 (DiVincenzo 5-7, Bridges 3-7, Paschall 1-3, Brunson 1-5, Spellman 0-2, Booth 0-3). Fouled Out—Matthews. Rebounds—Michigan 26 (Wagner 7), Villanova 38 (Spellman 11). Assists—Michigan 6 (Simpson 2), Villanova 7 (DiVincenzo 3). Total Fouls—Michigan 20, Villanova 18. Technicals—Wagner, Spellman.

MONDAY'S LATE BOX SCORE
VILLANOVA 79, MICHIGAN 62
MICHIGAN (33-8)
 Livers 0-2 0-0 0, Wagner 6-11 3-4 16, Simpson 4-8 2-3 10, Matthews 3-9 0-4 6, Abdur-Rahkman 8-13 5-6 23, Davis 0-0 0-0 0, Baird 0-0 0-0 0, Teske 1-2 0-0 2, Poole 1-5 1-1 3, Simmons 0-0 0-0 0, Brooks 0-0 0-0 0, Watson 1-2 0-0 2, Robinson 0-3 0-0 0. Totals 24-55 11-18 62.
VILLANOVA (36-4)
 Spellman 3-82-2 8, Paschall 2-5 1-2 6, Brunson 4-13 0-0 9, Booth 1-4 0-0 2, Bridges 7-12 2-2 19, Cosby-Roundtree 0-0 0-0 0, Samuels 0-0 0-0 0, Delaney 0-0 0-0 0, Gillespie 0-0 4-4 4, DiVincenzo 10-15 6-10 31, Totals 27-57 15-20 79.
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NCAA CHAMPIONSHIP SCORES
 2018 — Villanova 79, Michigan 62
 2017 — North Carolina 71, Gonzaga 65
 2016 — Villanova 77, North Carolina 74
 2015 — Duke 68, Wisconsin 63
 2014 — UConn 60, Kentucky 54
 2013 — Louisville 82, Michigan 79
 2012 — Kentucky 67, Kansas 59
 2011 — UConn 53, Butler 41
 2010 — Duke 61, Butler 59
 2009 — North Carolina 89, Michigan State 72
 2008 — Kansas 75, Memphis 68, OT
 2007 — Florida 84, Ohio State 75
 2006 — Florida 73, UCLA 57
 2005 — North Carolina 75, Illinois 70

2004 — UConn 82, Georgia Tech 73
 2003 — Syracuse 81, Kansas 78
 2002 — Maryland 64, Indiana 52
 2001 — Duke 82, Arizona 72
 2000 — Michigan State 89, Florida 76
 1999 — UConn 77, Duke 74
 1998 — Kentucky 78, Utah 69
 1997 — Arizona 84, Kentucky 79, OT
 1996 — Kentucky 76, Syracuse 67
 1995 — UCLA 89, Arkansas 78
 1994 — Arkansas 76, Duke 72
 1993 — North Carolina 77, Michigan 71
 1992 — Duke 71, Michigan 51
 1991 — Duke 72, Kansas 65
 1990 — UNLV 103, Duke 73
 1989 — Michigan 80, Seton Hall 79, OT
 1988 — Kansas 83, Oklahoma 79
 1987 — Indiana 74, Syracuse 73
 1986 — Louisville 72, Duke 69
 1985 — Villanova 66, Georgetown 64
 1984 — Georgetown 84, Houston 75
 1983 — N.C. State 54, Houston 52
 1982 — North Carolina 63, Georgetown 62
 1981 — Indiana 63, North Carolina 50
 1980 — Louisville 59, UCLA 54
 1979 — Michigan State 75, Indiana State 64
 1978 — Kentucky 94, Duke 88
 1977 — Marquette 67, North Carolina 59
 1976 — Indiana 86, Michigan 68
 1975 — UCLA 92, Kentucky 85
 1974 — N.C. State 76, Marquette 64
 1973 — UCLA 87, Memphis State 66
 1972 — UCLA 81, Villanova 62
 1971 — UCLA 68, Villanova 62
 1970 — UCLA 80, Jacksonville 69
 1969 — UCLA 92, Purdue 72
 1968 — UCLA 78, North Carolina 55
 1967 — UCLA 79, Dayton 64
 1966 — Texas Western 72, Kentucky 65
 1965 — UCLA 91, Michigan 80
 1964 — UCLA 98, Duke 83
 1963 — Loyola of Chicago 60, Cincinnati 58, OT
 1962 — Cincinnati 71, Ohio State 59
 1961 — Cincinnati 70, Ohio State 65, OT
 1960 — Ohio State 75, California 55
 1959 — California 71, West Virginia 70
 1958 — Kentucky 84, Seattle 72
 1957 — North Carolina 54, Kansas 53, 3OT
 1956 — San Francisco 83, Iowa 71
 1955 — San Francisco 77, La Salle 63
 1954 — La Salle 92, Bradley 76
 1953 — Indiana 69, Kansas 68
 1952 — Kansas 80, St. John's 63
 1951 — Kentucky 68, Kansas State 58
 1950 — CNY 71, Bradley 68
 1949 — Kentucky 46, Oklahoma A&M 36
 1948 — Kentucky 58, Baylor 42
 1947 — Holy Cross 58, Oklahoma 47
 1946 — Oklahoma A&M 43, North Carolina 40
 1945 — Oklahoma A&M 49, NYU 45
 1944 — Utah 42, Dartmouth 40, OT
 1943 — Wyoming 46, Georgetown 34
 1942 — Stanford 53, Dartmouth 38
 1941 — Wisconsin 39, Washington State 34
 1940 — Indiana 60, Kansas 42
 1939 — Oregon 46, Ohio State 34

PRO HOCKEY

NHL EASTERN CONFERENCE
Atlantic Division

GP	W	L	OT	PTS	GF	GA
x-Boston	79	49	18	12	110	261
x-Tampa Bay	80	53	23	4	110	287
x-Toronto	80	48	25	7	103	272
Florida	79	41	30	8	90	237
Detroit	80	30	38	12	72	211
Montreal	80	28	39	13	69	203
Ottawa	79	27	41	11	65	215
Buffalo	79	25	42	12	62	189

Metropolitan Division

GP	W	L	OT	PTS	GF	GA
x-Washington	80	48	25	7	103	251
x-Pittsburgh	80	45	29	6	96	263
Columbus	80	45	29	6	96	236
New Jersey	80	43	28	9	95	243
Philadelphia	80	40	26	14	94	242
Carolina	80	35	34	11	81	222
N.Y. Rangers	80	34	37	9	77	230
N.Y. Islanders	80	33	37	10	76	258

WESTERN CONFERENCE
Central Division

GP	W	L	OT	PTS	GF	GA
x-Nashville	80	51	18	11	113	259
x-Winnipeg	80	50	20	10	110	271
x-Minnesota	79	44	25	10	98	242
Colorado	80	42	29	9	93	250
St. Louis	79	43	30	6	92	217
Dallas	79	40	31	8	88	224
Chicago	79	32	37	10	74	223

Pacific Division

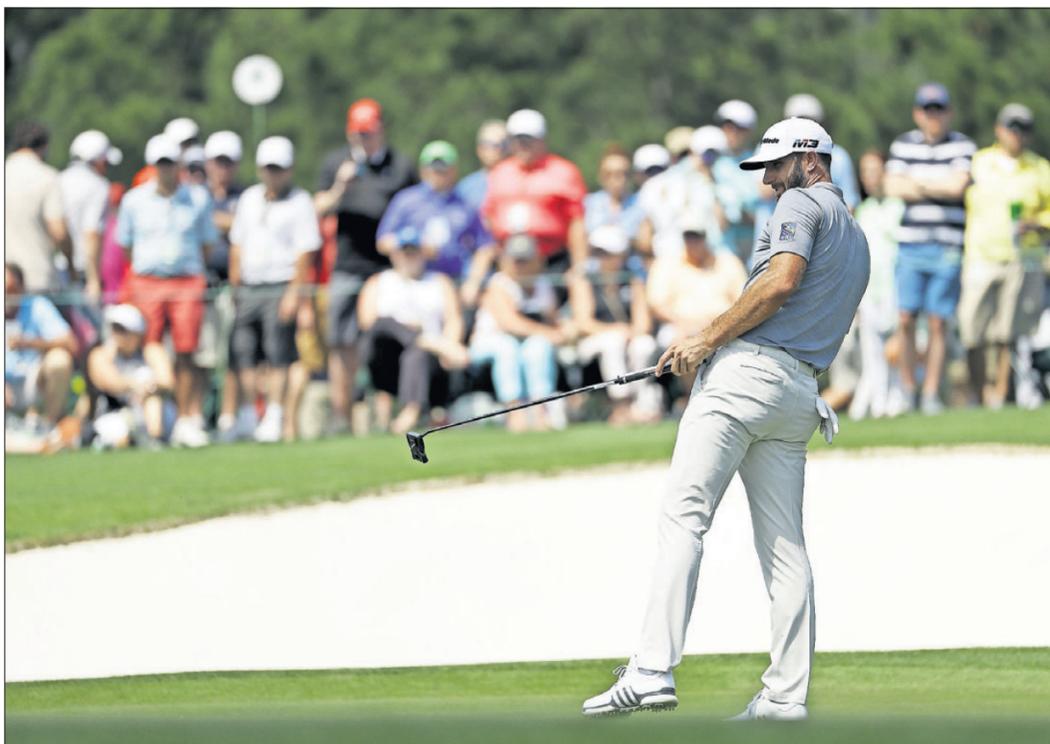
GP	W	L	OT	PTS	GF	GA
y-Vegas	79	50	22	7	107	263
x-San Jose	79	44	25	10	98	243
Los Angeles	80	44	28	8	96	232
Anaheim	79	41	25	13	95	224
Calgary	80	36	34	10	82	210
Edmonton	80	34	40	6	74	227
Vancouver	79	30	40	9	68	208
Arizona	80	29	40	11	69	205

14-clinched playoff spot; y-clinched division 2 points for a win, 1 for OT loss. Top three teams in each division and two wild cards per conference advance to playoffs

Monday's Games
 Toronto 5, Buffalo 2
 Florida 3, Carolina 2
 Winnipeg 6, Ottawa 5
 Minnesota 3, Edmonton 26 (Trochek, McGinn), 18:30. Penalties—None.
Tuesday's Games
 Columbus 5, Detroit 4, OT
 New Jersey 5, N.Y. Rangers 2
 N.Y. Islanders 5, Philadelphia 4
 Florida 2, Nashville 1
 Winnipeg 5, Montreal 4, OT
 Tampa Bay 4, Boston 0
 Arizona 4, Calgary 1
 Vegas at Vancouver, late
 Dallas at San Jose, late
Today's Games
 Ottawa at Buffalo, 7:30 p.m.
 Chicago at St. Louis, 8 p.m.
 Minnesota at Anaheim, 10 p.m.
Thursday's Games
 Pittsburgh at Columbus, 7 p.m.
 Nashville at Washington, 7 p.m.

DEVILS 5, RANGERS 2
N.Y. RANGERS 1 0 1 — 2
NEW JERSEY 3 2 0 — 5
First Period—1, New Jersey, Zajac 12 (Coleman), 0:25, 2, New Jersey, Hall 38, 3:41 (pp.).
Second Period—1, New Jersey, Butcher 4 (Palmeri, Hall), 10:40 (pp.), 4, N.Y. Rangers, Spooner 13 (Vesey, Chytil), 17:47. Penalties—N.Y. Rangers bench, served by Kreider (too many men on the ice), 3:14; Gilmour, NYR, (delay of game), 9:30; Namestnikov, NYR, (slashing), 11:04; Moore, NJ, (cross checking), 13:16.
Third Period—5, New Jersey, Butcher 5 (Zajac, Hall), 6:53 (pp.), 6, New Jersey, Hall 39, 15:45. Penalties—Sprull, NYR, (high sticking), 6:36; Gibbons, NJ, (hooking), 13:23; Skjei, NYR, Penalty Shot (interference on breakout (penalty shot)), 15:45.
Referees—TJ Luxmore, Dan O'Halloran.
Linesmen—Greg Devorski, Kory Naggy.

Penalties—Boyle, NJ, (roughing), 11:05; Vesey, NYR, (roughing),



Dustin Johnson watches his putt on the 16th hole during practice for the Masters at Augusta National Golf Club on Tuesday in Augusta, Ga. [AP PHOTO / MATT SLOCUM]

MASTERS

From Page B1

Dell Technologies Match Play.

He's not worried about that, either, because Johnson doesn't worry about much.

"Last year I was about as confident as I've ever been, so it was probably a 10," he said when asked to compare his confidence level on a scale of 1 to 10. "This year it's probably a 9 1/2. Starting to swing it a lot better. Feeling a lot better on the golf course, for sure."

Just don't get the idea there is any additional motivation. Johnson

doesn't look back.

"Why?" he asked. "There's nothing you can do about it. Hopefully, I can get myself in a position where I have a chance to win. Last year has nothing to do with anything happening right now."

What's happening at this Masters is a wide-open race for the green jacket. Rarely have so many top players been on top of their games coming into the first major of the year, including past champions Phil Mickelson, Bubba Watson and Jordan Spieth.

Not to be overlooked is Woods, who hasn't won this year but has shown he is plenty capable.

"I think that this year

it feels like you probably have eight or 10 guys that are in good form, with a really good, solid chance of winning," defending champion Sergio Garcia said. "So it's kind of interesting to see how the week goes on, because every week is a different story. But at the moment, it's quite exciting."

Along with a green jacket, the No. 1 ranking is up for grabs.

Justin Thomas (No. 2), Jon Rahm (No. 3) and Spieth (No. 4) all have a reasonable chance to replace Johnson at No. 1 if they were to win. Thomas and Rahm already have had chances this year. Rahm needed to win at Torrey Pines and was one shot behind going

into the weekend until he closed with rounds of 75-77. Thomas only had to win his semifinal match Sunday morning at the Match Play against Bubba Watson. He says he thought too much about No. 1 and it cost him.

Johnson, already home in Florida at that point, didn't even bother watching. He was on his boat. There was nothing he could do about it.

He is proud of the No. 1 ranking, mainly for reaching the top.

"But most importantly, I want to stay here," he said. "To do that, I've got to keep pushing myself and keep working hard."

That starts with getting to the first tee today.

COACHES

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Pete Carroll worked out really well for Southern California.

The numbers also showed that coaches most likely to succeed at those schools had previous Power Five head coaching experience. Also, coaches who were previously a Power Five assistant had higher efficiency ratings than coaches who were previously a head coach at a Group of Five school.

While far from scientific, the research is

interesting and probably useful.

Instead of grading the newly hired head coaches in college football — a truly flawed and impossible exercise — here is another approach: A most-likely-to-succeed list that takes into account program expectations and recent history, along with that coach's potential and fit for the job. Remember that this is a long play; last year's most likely to succeed was Purdue's Jeff Brohm, which looks pretty good right now but is still to be determined.

With that, the most likely to succeed list

among the head coaches starting new jobs in 2018:

1. Chip Kelly, UCLA

UCLA is one of the nation's most confounding programs. With all that talent around them, the Bruins are rarely relevant nationally, and haven't played in a Rose Bowl game since 1999. It is fair to question whether Kelly can recreate his Oregon success (46-7), but it's not as if he returns to a Pac-12 with imposing obstacles.

2. Willie Taggart, Florida State

Sky-high expectations and Taggart's .485 winning percentage make for some skepticism about

this marriage. But at every place Taggart has worked, the team was bad before he took over and got better during his tenure. The native Floridian has already showed he is capable of recruiting at an elite level.

3. Dan Mullen, Florida

Mullen benefits from taking over a program that has been underwhelming since Urban Meyer and Tim Tebow flirted with repeat national titles. At Mississippi State, Mullen consistently maxed out a program that lags behind the rest of its division competition in tradition, history and resources.

UF

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who could not get open a year ago, including Josh Hammond, Freddie Swain and Kadarius Toney. It is apparent that in Billy Gonzales the receivers are getting better coaching than they were the past two seasons. Before the start of spring, Gonzales talked about how important getting separation is and how there are ways to do it, there are coachable techniques. And we're seeing it now.

3. Backs can scoot

Even with Malik Davis, UF's second-leading rusher last season, out for the spring, the Gators appear to have plenty of talent and playmaking ability at running back. Jordan Scarlett is back and already appears close to regaining his 2016 form, which had been moving him closer to elite status. And he's getting pushed by four others — Lamical Perine, Adarius Lemons, Dameon Pierce and Iverson Clement — who have done some impressive things this spring. Perine has been steady, maybe the hardest runner among the group, and Lemons put his dynamic playmaking ability on display with an 88-yard TD run in the scrimmage. The two true freshmen (Pierce and Clement) have not performed like true freshmen. Pierce could be the most natural runner among the backs and likely will be in the playing rotation in the fall.

4. The rush is on

Early indications are the Gators are going to have

something on defense that was missing last season — a strong and steady pass rush. The defensive front generated a consistent pass rush in last Friday's scrimmage, and did it without an assist from blitzing linebackers. And it wasn't just the edge guys — Cece Jefferson, Jachai Polite and Jabari Zuniga — bringing the heat. The Gators were also getting a strong inside push from the tackles, true sophomore Tedarrell Slaton in particular. Defensive coordinator Todd Grantham is aggressive and likes to blitz, but if he can get pressure from the front three or four, it will allow him to drop more linebackers into coverage and possibly generate more big plays in the secondary.

5. CBs the real deal

Coming into the spring, we already had a pretty good idea how much talent the Gators had at cornerback in true sophomores Marco Wilson and CJ Henderson. Their strong, and sometimes spectacular, play over the past two weeks has only confirmed that they are potentially elite players in the DBU tradition. So, the Gators feel good about those two critical spots on defense. But not totally comfortable because depth is an issue that still has to be resolved between now and the start of the season. Right now, there's a considerable drop-off at corner when Wilson and Henderson are not in there. The backups — C.J. McWilliams, McArthur Burnett and true freshman Trey Dean — haven't played much, so they still have a long way to go.

AREA

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coach McKinley Rolle.

"He's a great kid and an excellent student," Rolle said. "He's one of the smartest kids I've coached. He's a hard worker and he fought through injury to be one of the captains of our defense."

"Webber is getting a heck of a kid."

On April 12, South Sumter will celebrate Sydney Kadur's signing to attend and play softball at Palm Beach State College.

Weightlifting

Lake and Sumter counties will be well represented at the FHSAA boys weightlifting state championships Friday and Saturday at Arnold High School in Panama City Beach.

A total of 16 lifters across a variety of weight classes in two classifications will take part in the finals.

Most of the local lifters — 13 — will compete in Class 1A. Seven of the baker's dozen will represent Tavares, with three of the seven — Christian Kilfoyle at 119 pounds; Zachary Money at 154 pounds; and Nikolas Gonzalez at 183 pounds — advancing to the finals with the second-best total weight in regionals.

Other lifters include:

Eustis' Garrett Snyder and Tavares Gabriel Albright at 119 pounds; Tavares' Kaleb Leafers at 129 pounds; Tavares Kamron Patterson and Umatilla's Henry Johnson at 139 pounds; Umatilla's Enrique Toledo at 154 pounds; Tavares' Andrew Todtenhagen at 169 pounds; Roy Perez from South Sumter at 183 pounds; Eustis' Nick Gilcrest and Mount Dora's Brandon Tector at 199 pounds.

In Class 2A, three local lifters earned berths in the state finals. At 119 pounds, Ruchit Patel will represent Leesburg, while South Lake Joe Davis will compete at 199 pounds. East Ridge's Josh Colston rounds out the field of local competitors at 238 pounds.

Rankings

East Ridge's softball team is now the top-ranked program in Lake and Sumter counties, according to the latest poll released by Miracle Sports.

The Knights top a quartet of area programs earning recognition in the weekly rankings.

East Ridge jumped to fourth in the Class 8A rankings, following a 3-0 week that included a 7-0 win against rival Lake Minneola. The Knights kicked off this week on Tuesday with a 13-0 win against Kissimmee Liberty to improve to 17-1

for the season.

The Knights were unranked when the season began.

In Class 5A, Eustis is ranked fifth after going 2-0 last week and outscoring its opposition 21-1. The Panthers blanked Class 5A-District 6 rival The Villages 10-0 on April 27 and hammered Umatilla 11-1 on April 29.

Both games were stopped in the fifth inning due to the 10-run mercy rule.

On Tuesday, Eustis jumped to a 7-0 lead in the first inning against Tavares before rain left the field unplayable in the second inning. Beginning Thursday, the Panthers (11-2) will play in the prestigious Kissimmee Klassic, which often attracts some of the best teams in the state and the nation.

Also in Class 5A, The Villages (12-2) earned honorable mention.

In Class 2A, Mount Dora Christian Academy (14-3) earned a No. 5 ranking. The Bulldogs continued their push toward a third-straight Final Four appearance with a 2-1 week, which included a 13-1 win against Mount Dora against a 6-1 win against Tavares.

Mount Dora Christian kicked off this week on Tuesday with a 16-0 win against Deltona Trinity Christian.

In baseball, the first PrepZone.com state baseball poll of the season was released this week and only one local team earned mention.

South Sumter (9-5) received honorable mention in Class 5A. However, the Raiders could drop following Tuesday's 4-2

loss to The Villages.

The two teams square off again Friday in Bushnell. A win by the Raiders could save their spot in the rankings, while a second win for the Buffalo could garner support for The Villages (12-3) among voters.

Baseball

South Lake High School will host Lake Minneola at 7 p.m. Friday in a battle of south Lake County rivals. The Eagles enter the game

with an 8-7 record following a 4-3 win on Tuesday against Lake Minneola, while the Hawks are looking for their first win of the season.

Prior to the game, the Eagles will honor all current and former members of the U.S. military as part of the school's Military Appreciation Night. All past and present members of the armed forces are encouraged to attend and will be admitted to the game free of charge.



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THE MASTERS

COMMENTARY

Newly lovable Woods is not done yet

By Bill Plaschke
Tribune News Service

AUGUSTA, Ga. — Barely eight years ago, he was lying unconscious in the middle of a Florida street in the middle of the night, his Escalade smashed into a tree, the car's back window shattered by a golf club, his wife screaming about his mistress.

Tiger Woods was done, and America laughed at his shame.

Less than a year ago, he was standing in the middle of a different Florida street in the middle of the night, slurring the alphabet before being led away in handcuffs.

Tiger Woods was done, and America laughed at his mug shot.

Around six months ago, after four back surgeries, Woods shared a belief he might never play competitive golf again, acknowledging he couldn't hit a golf ball the length of a football field.

Tiger Woods was done, and America shrugged, because America was finally done with him.

"Those are some really dark, dark times," Woods said.

Fast forward, very fast and far forward, to Tuesday in an amphitheater in the Southern mansion that is the Augusta National media center.

Woods walked into the room and glowed, as bright as the azaleas, as powerful as the scent of pine straw, this fallen man now floating into America's golf cathedral on the precipice of what could be the greatest personal and athletic comeback in American sports history.



Tiger Woods, left, and Phil Mickelson share a laugh on the 11th tee box while playing a practice round for the Masters at Augusta National Golf Club in Augusta, Ga., on Tuesday.

[CURTIS COMPTON / ATLANTA JOURNAL-CONSTITUTION VIA AP]

Tiger Woods is not done. Tiger Woods can win this week's Masters. Are you kidding me?

He's fixed his back. He's rediscovered his swing. He's resurrected his swing speed. He's finished in the top five in his last two tournaments, has four top-12 finishes in five events this season, and now seems primed for his first win in five years, and first major title in 10 years, at a place where he's won four times.

"All of a sudden, I have this pop," Woods said. Pop? What? How does this

happen? Where did this come from? Can this be real?

"It's crazy," said Woods. "I'll be honest with you, it is crazy."

What's crazy is that Woods is speaking in understatement. Even in a sports landscape that is quick to forgive personal transgressions — even in a medical age when no injury seems unbeatable — what Woods could be doing this week is like Jack Nicklaus making that Sunday putt on the 17th hole in 1986 ... blindfolded.

This would be like "Amen

Corner" turning atheist. This is akin to Augusta National draping its winners in orange.

Woods used to be the world's most daunting sports goliath, at once swaggering and stony, admired by some, resented by more, feared by all.

Today, with a fused back and receding hairline and disarming smile, he actually has become lovable. Television ratings have skyrocketed, casual attention to the game has doubled, and the crowds are going wild even at the practice range.

"As soon as Tiger walked in, everybody stood up and started clapping," said Jon Rahm of a range revival here. "It doesn't happen for anybody else."

Woods used to be one of the most distant and aloof golfers on tour, feuding with some, ignoring others, known by few.

Now, well, he actually played a practice round Tuesday with longtime nemesis Phil Mickelson for the first time in 20 years. Two guys who once cursed each other were now joking with each other. It was really, really weird.

What's more strange is Mickelson later admitted that during a recent tournament he was cheering for his former rival.

"When he was playing at Valspar ... it felt like it was a different time continuum because I found myself pulling so hard for him," said Mickelson. "It was unusual."

It does seem like a different dimension, especially when Woods starts waxing poetically about guys he once tried to destroy.

"We have gone through it a long time, and the better part of 20 years, our friendship has certainly gotten a lot better," Woods said of Mickelson, adding, "We're at the tail end of our careers, we both know that. We've had a great 20-year battle, hopefully we'll have a few more."

So Woods has finally become an embraceable kid at age 42, and you wonder, is it him, or is it us?

The answer is both.



Bubba Watson chips from the creek to the 13th green during a practice round for the Masters at Augusta National Golf Club in Augusta, Ga., on Monday. [CURTIS COMPTON / ATLANTA JOURNAL-CONSTITUTION VIA AP]

Watson finally out of his 'dark place'

By Thomas Stinson
Tribune News Service

AUGUSTA, Ga. — Always with Bubba Watson, you're never sure what you're going to get.

Lefty genius? Weepy champ? Enlightened father? Boor?

All of them? None of them? Or, perhaps, even this?

"(My) life's in the right spot ... and golf's in the right spot," Watson said Monday. "Golf's easy when you free it up."

Thus began Masters week for one of the game's more complicated figures and his words bear remembering; when Watson has found himself in the right spot, he won the championship in 2012 and 2014.

But that he could harbor such thoughts before he plays in his 10th Masters is to make his 2017 disappear, no mean feat. The experience had him considering retirement.

Struck by an illness he still doesn't divulge, his weight dropped some 30 pounds and his game cratered. He went winless on the PGA Tour for the first time in five years. In 22 events, he broke par just eight times. He finished in the top 10 four times but missed almost twice as many cuts (seven).

On Monday, he called the experience simply "a dark place." Ranked No. 4 in the world just the year before, he plummeted to No. 117.

"There's things that we don't ever talk about that causes somebody not to play good or somebody to play great," Watson said. "There's things behind closed doors that people don't know about, that we don't talk about, that can cause you to be in good or bad frame of mind."

But as his strength returned, so did his game. In Los Angeles in February at the Genesis Open, he birdied three of the final eight holes for a two-shot victory over Kevin Na and Tony Finau.

Six weeks later, Watson ripped through the WGC-Bell Match Play Championship. That was only two weeks ago and Watson hit Augusta National talking like a changed man.

Watson disclosed he no longer reads "any media," which may have played into his turnaround. He cracked a couple jokes. It almost sounded like Bubba Golf — the pink shafts, the 90-degree hooks, the jet-pack golf carts — was back.

Masters offers reprieve from boorish golf crowds

By Mark Long
Associated Press

Welcome to Augusta National, a Baba Booney-free zone.

For one week, the Masters brings a measure of civility back to a game that has grown more obnoxious outside the ropes in recent years.

For these four days in April, the odds of TV mics picking up the calls of the over-served — "Baba Booney," "get in the hole," "mashed potatoes" and worse — are virtually nil because, to put it simply, the green jackets who run the club do not allow it.

It is, in the eyes of many pro players, a welcome reprieve from what has become an increasingly uncivilized game — filled with more volume, more raucous behavior, more people there to get heard on TV than to watch golf. In only a few events this year, high-profile players Sergio Garcia, Rory McIlroy and Justin Thomas have dealt with out-of-line comments. Garcia and Thomas even ended up getting hecklers ejected.

"Everybody seems to want to say something," Steve Stricker said. "The fans all want to voice their opinion, and they feel like they paid to get in so they're going to yell a few things out there at you."

"We have to think about it and worry about it a little bit, but we're not over that line yet. It's on the verge. It seems like we're at a tipping point."

The Masters is different. This is the course where a fan — make that patron — can place a lawn chair to reserve a spot near the 18th green, or any green, leave for four hours, then come back and

see all his or her belongings there, undisturbed.

Running across the hallowed grounds is verboten.

And when the PGA Tour finally relaxed its rules regarding cellphones, Augusta National did not. The home of the season's first major meticulously tracks its tickets — and does not hesitate to pull them from people who do not follow the rules.

"It's quite simple: At Augusta, people know if you shout the wrong thing, you're out of there within 10 seconds," Garcia said.

There's a lot more leniency at regular PGA Tour events. Shouts, screams and some irreverence are a growing trend.

"It's a good problem to have," commissioner Jay Monahan said. "You have more people, young people, coming to our events than we've ever seen. Some of these people are new, and we're trying to bring new people into our sport ... This issue is going to come when you have outdoor events with the number of people we have."

"We've got a significant number of people and resources to make sure the right behavior is happening on the golf course. We've had some high-profile incidents the last few weeks. We're monitoring it and we'll get it right. I think a lot of that behavior will be self-policing."

The mute button has been difficult to find, especially in an era when people often share every thought via social media.

There might be other factors, too.

McIlroy suggested limiting alcohol sales at events after a spectator kept yelling

his wife's name during the Arnold Palmer Invitational in Orlando a few weeks ago.

"I was going to go over and have a chat with him," McIlroy said. "I think it's gotten a little much, to be honest. ... They need to do something, because every week it seems like guys are complaining about it more and more."

No longer are there only quaint groups watching golf in utter silence and then responding with restrained applause. Decency and decorum are, for the most part, going the way of wooden drivers.

Rowdy crowds have become the norm, with many fans starting to treat the game like any other sporting event. They jeer unpopular golfers. They cheer balls hit into the water. They fear nothing.

"It's great for the tournament. It's great for us. But golf is different than a football game, and there's etiquette involved and you don't want people to be put off from bringing their kids when people are shouting stuff out," McIlroy said.

Tiger Woods' return from a fourth back surgery has boosted golf galleries, but recent fan misbehavior can't be blamed solely on the "Tiger Effect."

Golfers might be the ones who have to adjust, at least at most events.

"Guys on the tour are bit too sensitive right now," Adam Scott said. "We might need to just find a way to block it out because it's only going to get worse. We've come from playing in silence to something new. It's how it's going to evolve. I think it's generally a good thing. I don't think we should be turning people away, but we should be pointing them in the right spot."

NASCAR THIS WEEK

SPEED FREAKS

A few questions we had to ask ourselves

On the heels of Bowyer, who's next to break a long winless streak?

GODSPEAK: I'll put Joey Logano at the top of my list (33 races), followed by the width of a bumper by Jamie McMurray (154).

KEN'S CALL: Jimmie (29 races) and Chase (83) are easy picks, but I'll venture out there and say Aric Almirola (125).

Where do you rank the Texas Motor Speedway cowboy hat among NASCAR victory symbolism?

GODSPEAK: Lone Star State stuff. Low-grade award on the NASCAR scale. By the way, I never thought Walker (Texas Ranger) looked exactly right in that Stetson.

KEN'S CALL: Easier to show off than a grandfather clock, but it won't tell time. Combine it with Nashville's guitar, and you're half-way to starting a honky-tonk act.

FEUD OF THE WEEK

KYLE BUSCH VS. BRAD KESELOWSKI

OWSKI: Coming off the Easter 500 weekend, there was no feuding, so how about two Cup Series drivers who don't like each other on an ongoing basis.

GODWIN KELLY'S TAKE: This is a smash of personalities more than anything else. They haven't clashed on the track in a while, so we could be in for a doozy considering Busch's mood of late.

GODWIN'S PICKS FOR TEXAS

WINNER: Kevin Harvick

REST OF TOP 5: Martin Truex Jr., Kyle Busch, Chase Elliott, Jimmie Johnson

FIRST ONE OUT: Ricky Stenhouse Jr.

DARK HORSE: Erik Jones

DON'T BE SURPRISED IF: The Cup Series produces a classic "crazy race." Look for Harvick to emerge from Texas-size mess and net his fourth win of 2018.

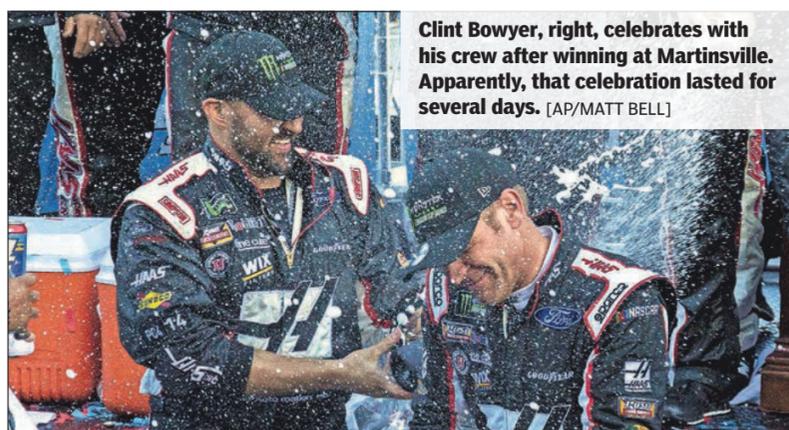
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EASTER BREAK THREE THINGS WE LEARNED



Clint Bowyer, right, celebrates with his crew after winning at Martinsville. Apparently, that celebration lasted for several days. [AP/MATT BELL]

1. Bowyer's celebration

Days after winning the race at Martinsville Speedway, Clint Bowyer, 38, was still in party mode. Bowyer, who asked for a beer in Victory Lane, sent out hints here and there through social media that the party was still going. "I'm too old for this (bleep)," he tweeted.

2. Playing nice

The Martinsville race was a bit boring. Three drivers dominated three different stages, and for a short-track race, it was pretty tame. Of the four caution periods, only one was for any contact

on the racetrack. That's ho-hum compared with the 2017 fall race's 11 cautions.

3. Losing control

Ron Devine lost control of the Cup Series team he created, BK Racing, which fields a car for Gray Gaulding. The court appointed a trustee to manage BK Racing's finances. "I don't know if I will stay involved in it or go in another direction," Devine told ESPN.com.

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THREE THINGS TO WATCH

1. Magic sauce

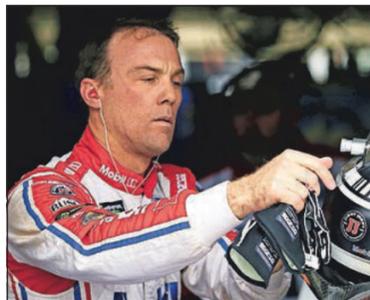
One-sixth of the 2018 NASCAR Cup Series is in the books, and the biggest surprise by far has been the performance of Stewart-Haas Racing. The four-car team has won four races with two drivers, led by Kevin Harvick's three consecutive victories. Clint Bowyer snapped a 190-race losing streak at Martinsville. The question now is, can SHR maintain this pace? More than likely, yes.

2. The next six

The next Cup Series segment will be interesting. It includes two races at 1.5-mile tracks, a pair of short tracks, the "Monster Mile" at Dover and a stop at Talladega. The Cup Series will reconvene at Texas this week, run back-to-back short-track events at Bristol and Richmond, then make the white-knuckle journey to Talladega. With a few exceptions, those top-10 in points at this point tend to battle for championship honors.

3. Title sponsor

As it stands now, stock-car's premier



Kevin Harvick has helped Stewart-Haas Racing blast out of the 2018 starting gate with three wins in six races. The question is, can SHR maintain this torrid winning pace? [AP/LM OTERO]

series will be called the (fill in the blank) NASCAR Cup Series. Monster Energy is in Year 2 of a two-year deal with an option for 2019-20, which the energy drink company has yet to renew, after reportedly asking for more time to mull things over. It is reported that Monster Energy pays \$20 million annually for entitlement rights. Monster's brand appeals to the 20-something demographic.

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QUESTIONS & ATTITUDE

Compelling questions ... and maybe a few actual answers

Who needed that off-week?

You don't need much insider knowledge to realize the Chevrolet teams spent that free week kicking over every stone they could find in and around the garage, trying to find where they left their recipe for speed. They probably brought in a forensics team at the Hendrick shops to look for Chad Knaus' decoder ring, which has apparently slipped into a couch cushion.

Will they rebound?

Sometimes, a season-opening slump is just that, a slump, and all the smart engineers and assorted specialists work it out. Yes, sometimes. Often, since six races is a pretty good chunk of time, it's symptomatic of something the old-timers would say "just ain't right." They used to figure it out with elbow grease, but nowadays they hope the engineers stumble upon a magical algorithm. That's racin'.

— Ken Willis, ken.willis@news-jrnl.com

CUP STANDINGS

1. Kyle Busch	257
2. Martin Truex Jr.	249
3. Ryan Blaney	233
4. Joey Logano	232
5. Brad Keselowski	226
6. Denny Hamlin	217
7. Kevin Harvick	212
8. Clint Bowyer	210
9. Kyle Larson	195
10. Kurt Busch	177
11. Aric Almirola	171
12. Erik Jones	152
13. Austin Dillon	148
14. Alex Bowman	145
15. Paul Menard	139

WHAT'S ON TAP

CUP SERIES: O'Reilly Auto Parts 500

SITE: Texas Motor Speedway (1.5-mile quad-oval)

TV SCHEDULE: Friday, practice (Fox Sports 1, 1 p.m.), qualifying (Fox Sports 1, 5:30 p.m.). Saturday, practice (Fox Sports 1, 11 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.). Sunday, race (Fox Sports 1, coverage begins at 12:30 p.m.; green flag, 2:30 p.m.)

XFINITY: My Bariatric Solutions 300

SITE: Texas Motor Speedway
SCHEDULE: Friday, practice (Fox Sports 1, 2 p.m. and 4 p.m.). Saturday, qualifying (Fox Sports 1, noon), race (Fox, 3 p.m.)



KEN WILLIS' TOP 10 NASCAR DRIVER RANKINGS

KEVIN HARVICK No changes here after an off-week	KYLE BUSCH Probably finished second in Easter egg hunt	MARTIN TRUEX JR. Will finish third at Texas	CLINT BOWYER Calmed down yet?	JOEY LOGANO On a post-Easter chocolate high	RYAN BLANEY Will win in April, says Mr. Hunch	BRAD KESELOWSKI Winningest Brad in NASCAR history	DENNY HAMLIN Like Jagger, "waiting on a friend"	KYLE LARSON Not a bad bet for Texas	ALEX BOWMAN How long will he stay in our Top 10?
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

2018 SCHEDULE AND WINNERS

Feb. 11: Clash at Daytona (Brad Keselowski)

Feb. 15: Can-Am Duel at Daytona (Ryan Blaney and Chase Elliott)

Feb. 18: Daytona 500 (Austin Dillon)

Feb. 25: Folds of Honor 500 at Atlanta (Kevin Harvick)

March 4: Kobalt 400 at Las Vegas (Kevin Harvick)

March 11: Camping World 500(k) at Phoenix (Kevin Harvick)

March 18: Auto Club 400 at Fontana (Martin Truex)

March 26: STP 500 at Martinsville (Clint Bowyer)

April 8: O'Reilly Auto Parts 500 at Texas

April 15: Food City 500 at Bristol

April 21: Toyota Owners 400 at Richmond

April 29: Geico 500 at Talladega

May 6: AAA 400 at Dover

May 12: Go Bowling 400 at Kansas

May 19: All Star Race at Charlotte

May 27: Coca-Cola 600 at Charlotte

June 3: Pocono 400

June 10: FireKeepers Casino 400 at Michigan

June 24: Toyota/Save Mart 350 at Sonoma

July 1: Chicago 400 at Chicagoland

July 7: Coke Zero 400 at Daytona

July 14: Quaker State 400 at Kentucky

July 22: New Hampshire 301

July 29: Pennsylvania 400 at Pocono

Aug. 5: 355 at the Glen, at Watkins Glen

Aug. 12: Pure Michigan 400

Aug. 18: Night Race at Bristol

Sept. 2: Southern 500 at Darlington

Sept. 9: Brickyard 400 at Indianapolis

Sept. 16: Las Vegas 400

Sept. 22: Federated Auto Parts 400 at Richmond

Sept. 30: Bank of America 500(k) at Charlotte road course

Oct. 7: Delaware 400 at Dover

Oct. 14: Alabama 500 at Talladega

Oct. 21: Hollywood Casino 400 at Kansas

Oct. 28: First Data 500 at Martinsville

Nov. 4: Texas 500

Nov. 11: Can-Am 500(k) at Phoenix

Nov. 18: Ford EcoBoost 400 at Homestead

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Evaluation Committee Meeting Request for Proposal 18-0912 "On-Call ADA Consulting Services" April 5, 2018, 2:00 P.M. Lake County Administration Building 2nd Floor Rotunda, Room 235 315 W. Main Street Tavares, Florida 32778

Persons with disabilities needing assistance to participate in these proceedings should contact 352-343-9760 at least 48 hours before the scheduled meeting; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711 or 352-253-1840.

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Any person appealing any decision made by the above named Committee will need a record of the proceedings and/or ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made to ensure an adequate record of the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

Ad No: 10075504
April 05, 2018

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION

CASE NO. 2018-CP-000380

In Re: ESTATE OF SAMUEL JACOB PETERSON, Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS (summary administration)

TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS OR DEMANDS AGAINST THE ABOVE ESTATE:

YOU ARE HEREBY notified that an Order of Summary Administration has been entered in the Estate of Samuel Jacob Peterson, deceased, Case No. 2018-CP-000380, by the Circuit Court for Lake County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is: Lake County Courthouse, 550 West Main Street, 2nd Floor, Tavares, Florida 32778; that the Decedent's date of death was October 5, 2017; that the total value of the Estate is \$0.00 and that the name and address of those to whom it has been assigned by such order are:

Niya Peterson, Daughter

ALL INTERESTED PERSONS ARE NOTIFIED THAT:

All creditors of the Estate of the Decedent and persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent other than those for whom provision for full payment was made in the Order of Summary Administration must file their claims with this Court WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN SECTION 733.702. ALL CLAIMS AND DEMANDS NOT SO FILED WILL BE FOREVER BARRED. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER APPLICABLE TIME PERIOD, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.

The date of first publication of this Notice is March 29, 2018.

/s/ Patricia Farah Khan
Person Giving Notice
Petitioner, Patricia Farah Khan

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION

File No.: 2018-CP-000569

IN RE: ESTATE OF

KATHRYN ISABELLE BERRY
Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the Estate of KATHRYN ISABELLE BERRY, Deceased, whose date of death was January 14, 2018, is pending in the Circuit Court for Lake County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is P. O. Box 7800, Tavares, Florida 32778. The names and addresses of the Personal Representative and the Personal Representative's attorney are set forth below.

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

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dent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

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

The date of first publication of this notice is April 05, 2018.

Attorney for Personal Representative: /s/ Bret Jones

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Personal Representative: /s/ Stephen M. Berry

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April 12, 2018

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 5TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION:
CASE NO.: 2017 CA 000196

FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION, Plaintiff,

vs.

JOANNA LEVENGLICK A/K/A JOANN LEVENGLICK; LIDIA BUONNANO; LIDIA BUONNANO; JULIE BUONNANO; UNKNOWN TENANT IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY, Defendants.

RE-NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order Resetting Foreclosure Sale dated the 28 day of March, 2018, and entered in Case No. 2017 CA 000196, of the Circuit Court of the 5th Judicial Circuit in and for Lake County, Florida, wherein FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION is the Plaintiff and JOANNA LEVENGLICK A/K/A JOANN LEVENGLICK A/K/A JO ANNA LEVENGLICK LIDIA BUONNANO JULIA BUONNANO; and UNKNOWN TENANT IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY are defendants. NEIL KELLY as the Clerk of the Circuit Court shall sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the LAKE COUNTY COURTHOUSE 550 W. MAIN STREET, TAVARES, FL 32778, **11:00 AM on the 3 day of May, 2018**, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

THAT PORTION OF THE THERESA RODRIGUEZ GRANT (SECTION 37, TOWNSHIP 19 SOUTH, RANGE 28 EAST) IN LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGIN AT THE INTERSECTION OF THE SOUTH LINE OF SECTION 17, TOWNSHIP 19 SOUTH, RANGE 28 EAST, AND THE WEST LINE OF SAID RODRIGUEZ GRANT AND RUN S 89 DEGREES 27' 07" E 217.05 FEET TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 17; THENCE CONTINUE S 89 DEGREES 27' 07" E 318.05 FEET; THENCE N 02 DEGREES 52' 57" W 374.07 FEET; THENCE N 78 DEGREES 49' 28" W 25.00 FEET; THENCE N 41 DEGREES 10' 32" E 154.69 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE S 89 DEGREES 27' 28" E 902.94 FEET TO THE WESTERLY LINE OF THE RIGHT OF WAY OF HIGHWAY NO. 46-A AND A POINT HEREBY DESIGNATED POINT "B", BEGIN AGAIN AT THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE N 11 DEGREES 10' 32" E 370.00 FEET TO A POINT OF CURVATURE, SAID CURVE BEING CONCAVE SOUTHEASTERLY AND HAVING A RADIUS OF 158.00 FEET; THENCE NORTHEASTERLY A LONG THE ARC OF SAID CURVE THROUGH A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 72 DEGREES 22' 37" E A DISTANCE OF 199.59 FEET TO A POINT OF TANGENCY; THENCE N 83 DEGREES 33' 08" E 262.12 FEET TO THE WESTERLY LINE OF THE RIGHT OF WAY OF HIGHWAY NO 46-A. SAID RIGHT OF WAY BEING ON A CURVE CONCAVE NORTHEASTERLY AND HAVING A RADIUS OF 2914.94 FEET; THENCE SOUTHEASTERLY ALONG THE ARC OF SAID CURVED RIGHT OF WAY 684.20 FEET TO THE AFORMENTIONED POINT "B", LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA

ANY PERSON CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN THE SURPLUS FROM THE SALE, IF ANY, OTHER THAN THE PROPERTY OWNER AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS MUST FILE A CLAIM WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER THE SALE.

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator for Lake County, Susan Berg, at (352) 253-1602, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

Dated this 29 day of March, 2018.

NEIL KELLY
Clerk Of The Circuit Court

By: /s/ Trish Roberts

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA IN AND FOR LAKE COUNTY GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION CASE NO. 35-2018-CA-000161-AXX-XX

FIFTH THIRD BANK AN OHIO BANKING CORPORATION,

Plaintiff,

vs.

ABIGAIL ADAMS-CHEATHAM A/K/A ABIGAIL ADAMS-CHEATHAM BROWN A/K/A ABIGAIL A. CHEATHAM, et al.,

Defendant.

NOTICE OF ACTION

To: DON L BROWN, 3001 CASTELLI BLVD. MT. DORA. FL 32757

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YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose Mortgage covering the following real and personal property described as follows, to-wit:

LOT 192, LOCH LEVEN - PHASE SIX, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 50, PAGES 78 AND 79, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA.

has been filed against you and you are required to file a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Sara Collins, McCalla Raymer Liebert Pierce, LLC, 225 E. Robinson St. Suite 155, Orlando, FL 32801 and file the original with the Clerk of the above-styled Court on or before 30 days from the first publication, otherwise a Judgment may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

WITNESS my hand and seal of said Court on the 22 day of March, 2018.

NEIL KELLY
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT

By: /s/ D. LAUTOURELLE
As Clerk of the Court
Deputy Clerk

Submitted By:
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March 29, 2018 &
April 05, 2018

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

CASE NO.: 35-2015-CA-002117-AXXX-XX

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., Plaintiff,

vs.

ANGELO MICHAEL TUCCIARELLI JR; et. al., Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that sale will be made pursuant to an Order Resetting Sale entered on February 23, 2018 in Civil Case No. 35-2015-CA-002117-AXXX-XX, of the Circuit Court of the Fifth Judicial Circuit in and for Lake County, Florida, wherein, BANK OF AMERICA, N.A. is the Plaintiff, and ANGELO MICHAEL TUCCIARELLI JR; KAREN SMITH; UNKNOWN TENANT 1 N/K/A DONALD PAYNE; UNKNOWN TENANT 2 N/K/A COURTNEY PAYNE; ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER AND AGAINST THE HEREIN NAMED INDIVIDUAL DEFENDANT(S) WHO ARE NOT KNOWN TO BE DEAD OR ALIVE, WHETHER SAID UNKNOWN PARTIES MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST AS SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS are Defendants.

The Clerk of the Court, Neil Kelly will sell to the highest bidder for cash at the first floor lobby near the information desk in the Lake County Courthouse, 550 West Main Street, Tavares, FL 32778 on **April 24, 2018** at 11:00 AM EST the following described real property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

LOTS 14, 15, AND 16, AND THE EAST 23 FEET OF LOT 13, BLOCK 94, IN THE CITY OF EUSTIS, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 1, PAGE 79, PUBLIC RECORDS OF LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA.

ANY PERSON CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN THE SURPLUS FROM THE SALE, IF ANY, OTHER THAN THE PROPERTY OWNER AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS MUST FILE A

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CLAIM WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER THE SALE.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of the court on March 26, 2018.

CLERK OF THE COURT
Neil Kelly

/s/ D. Davis
Deputy Clerk

Submitted By:
ALDRIDGE | PITE, LLP
Attorney for Plaintiff
1615 South Congress Avenue
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NO. 352018CA000252AXXXXXX

WELLS FARGO BANK, N-A

Plaintiff,

vs.

THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, GRANTEES, DEVISEES, LIENORS, TRUSTEES, AND CREDITORS OF ABE COOPERMAN A/K/A ABRAHAM COOPERMAN; GLORIA S COOPERMAN, DECEASED, ET AL.

Defendants.

NOTICE OF ACTION

TO: THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, GRANTEES, DEVISEES, LIENORS, TRUSTEES, AND CREDITORS OF ABE COOPERMAN A/K/A ABRAHAM COOPERMAN, GLORIA S COOPERMAN, DECEASED

-AND-

TO: ALAN COOPERMAN INDIVIDUALLY AND AS PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ESTATE OF ABE COOPERMAN A/K/A ABRAHAM COOPERMAN

-AND-

TO: THE UNKNOWN SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE(S) OF THE ABE AND GLORIA COOPERMAN TRUST, DATED MARCH 5, 1992

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YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose a mortgage on the following property in Lake County, Florida, to-wit:

LOT 444, BRIGHTON AT KINGS RIDGE PHASE I, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 38, PAGES 7 AND 8, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA.

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on EXL LEGAL, PLLC, Plaintiffs attorney, whose address is 12425 28th Street North, Suite 200, St. Petersburg, FL 33716, on or before or within thirty (30) days after the first publication of this Notice of Action, and file the original with the Clerk of this Court at 550 West Main Street, P.O. Box 7800, Tavares, FL 32778, either before service on Plaintiffs attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise, a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint petition.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Court on this 27 day of March, 2018.

Neil Kelly
Clerk of the Circuit Court (SEAL)
By: /s/ KAREN HALL
Deputy Clerk

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator at the Office of the Trial Court Administrator, Lake County Courthouse, P.O. Box 7800/550 W. Main Street, Tavares, Florida 32778, Telephone (352) 742-4221, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711 or (352) 742-3890.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO. 35-2017-CA-000533-AXXX-XX

WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO WACHOVIA BANK, N.A.

Plaintiff,

vs.

JACK THEOBALD; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF JACK THEOBALD; UNKNOWN TENANT 1; UNKNOWN TENANT 2;

Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to the Summary Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on January 10, 2018, in this cause, in the Circuit Court of Lake County, Florida, the clerk shall sell the property situated in Lake County, Florida, described as:

LOT 9, CHEROKEE NORTH AT LEESBURG SUBDIVISION, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 29, PAGE 84, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA.

TOGETHER WITH A MOBILE HOME LOCATED THEREON AS A PERMANENT FIXTURE AND APPURTENANCE THERETO, DESCRIBED AS: A 1990 SHORELINE DOUBLEWIDE MOBILE HOME BEARING IDENTIFICATION NUMBERS N13734A AND N13734B AND TITLE NUMBERS 50957798 AND 50957799.

a/k/a 34911 COUNTY RD 473, LEESBURG, FL 34788-8825

at public sale, to the highest and best bidder, for cash, inside the front door, of the Lake County Courthouse, 550 W. Main Street, First Floor, Tavares, FL 32778, on beginning at **eleven o'clock a.m., on MAY 03 2018.**

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim with the clerk within 60 days after the sale.

Dated at Tavares, Florida, this 28 day of March, 2018.

Neil Kelly
Clerk of the Circuit Court (Seal)
By: /s/ D. Davis
Deputy Clerk

Submitted By:
eXL Legal, PLLC
12425 28TH STREET NORTH
SUITE 200
ST. PETERSBURG, FL 33716
EFILEING@EXLLEGAL.COM
Fax No. (727) 539-1094

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION CASE NO. 35-2016-CA-002016-AXXX-XX

DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE FOR SOUNDVIEW HOME LOAN TRUST 2006-OPT3, ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-OPT3, Plaintiff,

vs.

GLENWORTH ALLEN A/K/A GLENWORTH W. ALLEN, et al.

Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated August 28, 2017, and entered in 35-2016-CA-002016-AXXX-XX of the Circuit Court of the Fifth Judicial Circuit in and for Lake County, Florida, wherein DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE FOR SOUNDVIEW HOME LOAN TRUST 2006-OPT3, ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-OPT3 is the Plaintiff and GLENWORTH ALLEN A/K/A GLENWORTH W. ALLEN; MICHELLE ALLEN A/K/A MICHELLE MCKESEY-ALLEN A/K/A MICHELLE E. MCKESEY-ALLEN A/K/A MICHELLE E. MCKESEY ALLEN; STATE OF FLORIDA, DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE; CLERK OF THE COURT LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA; HARTWOOD RESERVE HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC. are the Defendant(s). Neil Kelly as the Clerk of the Circuit Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the Lake County Courthouse 550 W. Main St. 1st Floor, Near Information Desk, Tavares, FL 32778, at 11:00 AM, on **April 24, 2018**, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

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LOT 1, OF HARTWOOD RESERVE PHASE 1, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 54, PAGE 88, THRU 98, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION CASE NO. 35-2016-CA-002107-AXXX-XX

JAMES B. NUTTER & COMPANY, Plaintiff, vs. THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF ANNIE JEAN MCCONNELL (DECEASED); DAVID SCHOLL; LORI SILK; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT; THE INDEPENDENT SAVINGS PLAN COMPANY D/B/A ISPC; TIME INVESTMENT COMPANY, INC., et al. Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated March 6, 2018, and entered in 35-2016-CA-002107-AXXX-XX of the Circuit Court of the Fifth Judicial Circuit in and for LAKE COUNTY, Florida, wherein JAMES B. NUTTER & COMPANY is the Plaintiff and THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF ANNIE JEAN MCCONNELL (DECEASED); DAVID SCHOLL; LORI SILK; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT; THE INDEPENDENT SAVINGS PLAN COMPANY D/B/A ISPC; TIME INVESTMENT COMPANY, INC. are the Defendant(s). Neil Kelly as the Clerk of the Circuit Court will sell the highest and best bidder for cash at the Lake County Courthouse 550 W. Main St. 1st Floor, Near Information Desk, Tavares, FL 32778, at 11:00 AM, on MAY 10 2018, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

LOTS 255 AND 256, ORLANDO HILLS, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 18, PAGE 20, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA.

Property Address: 38114 DEERWOODS DR EUSTIS, FL 32736-8527

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale.

Dated this 6 day of March, 2018.

Neil Kelly As Clerk of the Court
 By: /s/ D. Davis As Deputy Clerk

IMPORTANT

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT. If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator for Lake County, Susan Berg, at (352) 253-1602, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

Submitted by: Robertson, Anschutz & Schneid, P.L. Attorneys for Plaintiff
 Robertson, Anschutz & Schneid, P.L., Boca Raton, FL 33487
 Telephone: 561-241-6901
 Fax: 561-997-6909

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION CASE NO. 2014CA001428

MTGLQ INVESTORS, L.P., Plaintiff,

vs. RICKEY A. RESSLER A.K.A RICK RESSLER; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF RICKEY A. RESSLER A.K.A RICK RESSLER; ROBERTA R. THOMPSON; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF ROBERTA R. THOMPSON; REGIONS BANK; BLACK BEAR RESERVE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.; CAPITAL ONE BANK, NA; CHASE BANK USA NA; UNKNOWN TENANT IN POSSESSION 1; UNKNOWN TENANT IN POSSESSION 2; VICE PAINTING, LLC, et al. Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated 1/10/18, and entered in 2014CA001428 of the Circuit Court of the Fifth Judicial Circuit in and for Lake County, Florida, wherein MTGLQ INVESTORS, LP is the Plaintiff and RICKEY A. RESSLER A.K.A RICK RESSLER; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF RICKEY A. RESSLER A.K.A RICK RESSLER; ROBERTA R. THOMPSON; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF ROBERTA R. THOMPSON; REGIONS BANK; BLACK BEAR RESERVE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.; CAPITAL ONE BANK, NA; CHASE BANK USA NA; UNKNOWN TENANT IN POSSESSION 1; UNKNOWN TENANT IN POSSESSION 2; VICE PAINTING, LLC are the Defendant(s). Neil Kelly as the Clerk of the Circuit Court will sell the highest and best bidder for cash at the Lake County Courthouse 550 W. Main St. 1st Floor, Near Information Desk, Tavares, FL 32778, at 11:00 AM, on MAY 15 2018, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

LOT 115, ESTATES AT BLACK BEAR RESERVE, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT

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THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 43, PAGE 80 THROUGH 84, INCLUSIVE, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA. Property Address: 23540 MILFORD DRIVE EUSTIS, FL 32736

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale.

Dated this 11 day of Jan., 2018.

Neil Kelly As Clerk of the Court
 By: /s/ Trish Roberts As Deputy Clerk

IMPORTANT

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Notice is hereby given that on 4/13/18 at 10:30 am, the following mobile homes will be sold at public auction pursuant to F.S. 715.109: 1988 PINE #LHMLP28242213121A & LHMLP28242213121B. Last Tenants: Barbara Ann Roberts, Kenneth Edward Roberts, Danielle Nichole Ross. Sale to be held at Realty Systems-Arizona, Inc- 15840 SR 50 W, Lot 32, Clermont, FL 34711, 813-282-6754.

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Notice is hereby given that on 4/13/18 at 10:30 am the following mobile home will be sold at public auction pursuant to F.S. 715.109: 1974 ZIMM #G7162. Last Tenants: Rene Ann Denmark. Sale to be held at: NHC-FL212, LLC- 6 Country Squire Dr, Paisley, FL 32767, 813-241-8269

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Notice is hereby given that on 4/13/18 at 10:30 am, the following mobile home will be sold at public auction pursuant to F.S. 715.109: 1973 SCHU #S122721. Last Tenants: Diane Corl Schwartz, Joe Schwartz, Joseph Gustave Schwartz Jr. Sale to be held at Timber Village Investments, LLC- 15130 Timber Village Rd, Groveland, FL 34736, 813-241-8269.

Ad No: 10075119
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NOTICE OF MEETING FLORIDA UTILITY DEBT SECURITIZATION AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Florida Utility Debt Securitization Authority ("FUDSA") announces its initial public meeting to which all interested persons are invited. FUDSA is a legal entity and public body created pursuant to the provisions of Sections 163.01 and 163.09, Florida Statutes, and an Interlocal Agreement among Lee County, Florida; Collier County, Florida; and the Florida Governmental Utility Authority (FGUA).

The meeting will be held on April 23, 2018 at 1:00 p.m. at the Lee County Attorney's Office, 2115 Second Street, 6th Floor, Conference Room 621, Fort Myers, FL 33901.

At this meeting, the FUDSA board members (the "FUDSA Board") will address general organizational and operating issues of FUDSA. If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the FUDSA Board with respect to any matter considered at the meeting, such person will need a record of the proceedings and may need to ensure that a verbatim record is made, including the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be made. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing special accommodations or an interpreter to participate in this proceeding should contact the Clerk to the FUDSA Board at (407) 629-6900, at least three business days prior to the date of the meeting.

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Notice of Sale

Fruitland Park Mini Storage LLC
 2394 U.S. Highway 27 / 441
 Fruitland Park, Florida 34731
 (352)787-9777

As required by Florida "Self Storage Act", Section 83.806 and 83.807, notice is hereby given that on April 16th, 2018 at 10 A.M., there will be a public sale at the above address to dispose of household goods and miscellaneous items. The tenants below have been given proper notice at least fourteen days prior to the first publication of this Notice of Sale, that the Owner will enforce a statutory lien on the property located in their respective unit(s) of the above mentioned self storage facility.

2009 Gregory Bare
5017 Jennifer Duff
7005 Brandy Pace

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NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that **Out O' Space Storage** intends to sell the personal property described below to enforce a lien imposed on said property under **The Florida Self Storage Facility Act Statutes** (Section 83.801-83.809).

The undersigned will sell the contents at public sale by competitive bidding on the **27th day of April, 2018, at 1:30 p.m., at 1605 East Alfred Street, Tavares, Florida, 32778.** of the following units containing Household/Misc. Items:

Unit#30042-Jose Zabalay-Unit#40004-Jonathan Frkx-Unit#30057-T'era Haglins-Unit#20067-James E Council. Purchases must be paid for at the time of sale in CASH only. All purchased items sold as is where is and must be removed at the time of sale.

Sale subject to cancellation in the event of payment in full between Owner and Tenant by the date and time of sale.

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Public Notice

Orden Medica Sagrada De Caballeros De Esperanza. Let it be known to one and all that, Lake County, State of Florida resident Juan Anton Botha on this date of March 24, 2018, received the prestigious: Knight of Honour, Cultural Attache', of the Sacred Medical ORDER OF THE KNIGHTS OF HOPE, bestowed by His Excellency, Prof. Charles McWilliams, Grand Master in Tampa FL USA. This is to certify that Juan Anton Botha has record for exceptional performance to contribute and render public and community health, contributing to our Pastoral Hospital Foundations and to world good, the Sovereign Council hereby bestows upon the above named, the designation of KNIGHT OF HONOUR, CULTURAL ATTACHE'.

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Public Notice

Orden Soberana De Caballeros Medicos De San Juan De Jerusalem, Sacred Medical Order of the Church of Hope. Let it be know to one and all that, Lake County, State of Florida resident Juan Anton Botha on this date March 24, 2018 received the prestigious Ordination as Deacon (Licentiate) - Sanctified Healer by His Excellency, Prof. Charles McWilliams, Grand Master of the Sacred Medical Order of the Church of Hope a vicariate of the Holy Apostolic-Catholic Church of the East [Iglesia Catolica del Oriente en Brazil, Latinoamerica y Caribe] under the protection and directorate of the Knights of Hope - Nevis, West Indies; Loma Linda Ecuador. Established as per World Health Organization - Alma Ata 1978 declaration. Accredited by the International Parliament of Safety & Peace.

The Sovereign Grand Council of Knights of Hope on recommendation of the Faculty of Therapeutae, Herby confers upon Member Juan Anton Botha in recognition of fulfillment of the requirements, this Clerical Commission confers Ordination as Deacon (Licentiate) - Sanctified Healer. With all rights, privileges, responsibilities and honors therein pertaining to the spiritual care of the distressed, performing selected sacerdotal duties, assist the Bishop in the administration of Ordinances, maintaining the unity of Brotherhood and Sisterhood, and assist the Ministry in Global Healing at the request of the Church of God. Given at Tampa, Florida USA, this 24th day of March, Two Thousand Eighteen.

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Public Notice

Sacred Catholic Church of the East, Sovereign Ecclesiastical Principality. Let it be known to one and all that Lake County, State of Florida resident Juan Anton Botha received the prestigious Decree Ordination of the Deacon NR. 2018.003. By the Grace of Almighty God and with Divine Permission, We, Mons. Adao Pereira da Silva, S.A.R.+G.D., Inform that in accordance to the canonical laws that governs our Church and in accordance with the traditions and laws of the Ancient Apostolic and Catholic Church of the East, certify through this instrument, the Ordination of the Juan Anton Botha by the Major-Archbishop (Sovereign Ecclesiastical Principality) Mons. Adao Pereira da Silva, S.A.R.+G.D. and Mons. Charles McWilliams, Bishop Diocese Medical Hospitalier Church of Hope. According to the Chaldean Rite and is authorized, under the Rules of the Church, to functions of the ministerial office. At St. James House of Prayer Episco-

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pal Church, Tampa FL. On the 24th day of March of 2018.

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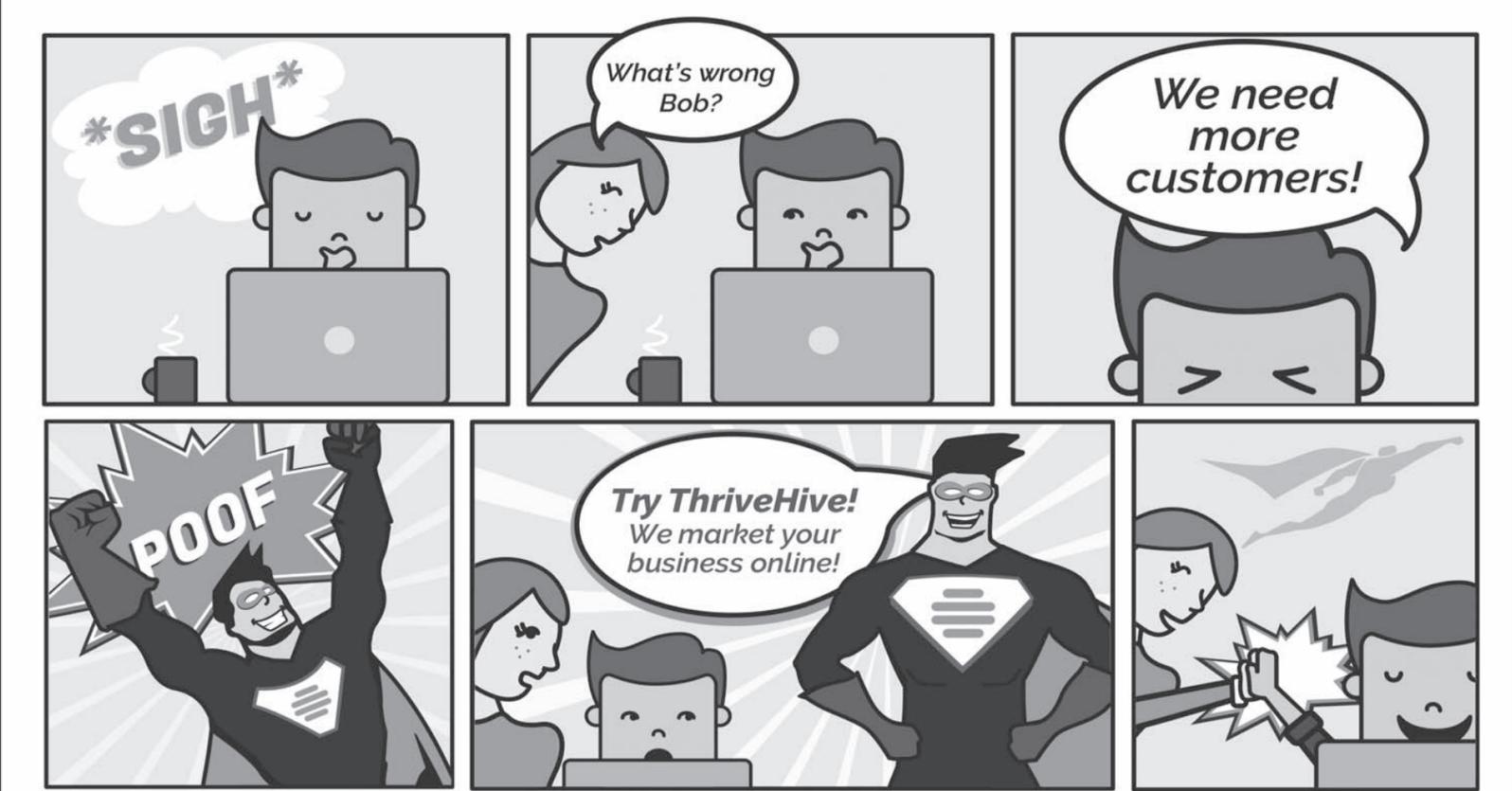
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ON STAGE

'Little Shop of Horrors' opens in Eustis

By Linda Florea
Correspondent

Gardening has never been so lethal as it is in the cult comedy and musical "Little Shop of Horrors" playing two weekends at the State Theater in Eustis.

"Always, Patsy Cline" has been a sellout from the start as it plays its last weekend at the Sonnentag Ice House Theatre in Mount Dora.

Don't believe your eyes with illusionist Rick Thomas, who brings his Vegas show to Mount Dora.

If you're in the mood for a little long hair music, the Florida Philharmonic and Choral performs Mozart's Requiem Sunday in Clermont.

Here's what's On Stage:



Nyeshia Smith (Ronnette), Derek Critzer (Seymour), Camila Camilo (Crystal) and Felicia Wright (Chiffon) deal with Audrey II in "Little Shop of Horrors" Friday through April 15. [SUBMITTED]

'Little Shop of Horrors'

The cult classic, "Little Shop of Horrors," a Studio Series production by the Bay Street Players, opens at State Theater in Eustis for six shows through April 15.

In the show, meek floral assistant Seymour Krelborn stumbles across a new breed of plant he names after his crush, Audrey II. The foul-mouthed, singing carnivore promises unending fame and fortune to Krelborn as long as he keeps feeding it blood. Over time, Seymour discovers Audrey II's deep space origins and interest in global domination.

Music for the production is live via a 10-piece orchestra and the puppets come from Las Vegas and are very "Hollywood," said director Derik Critzer. This will be Critzer's last Studio Series production after two successful years at the State Theatre. He recently purchased the Princess Theater in Sanford, which he will rename Theater West End, and will be producing plays and have a children's program beginning in September.

"We're pulling out all the stops on this show because this is the reason I do theater," Critzer said recalling that he was in fifth grade when "Little Shop" influenced him. "To bring it to life with the resources I have is unbelievable at this chapter in my life. It's kinda cool to be able to look at where I started and do this as a professional event."

The 50s-style dark comedy is the most recent Broadway, rewrite he said. The voice of Audrey II, the plant, will be played by a man the first weekend and a woman the final weekend.

Cost: \$21. Details: baystreetplayers.com

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LOCAL ENTERTAINMENT SCENE



The annual Fruitland Park Day celebration will be from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday at City Hall, 506 W. Berckman St. With barbecue cook-off, parade, entertainment, marching bands and free activities for kids. [DAILY COMMERCIAL FILE]

On Tap this weekend



It's all about the pooch Sunday at Bark in the Park at Ferran Park in Eustis. Bring your dog for a day on the town. [GATEHOUSE MEDIA FILE]

Big fish fry in Leesburg and Fruitland Park Day offer great reasons to get outdoors

By Linda Florea
Correspondent

Food, celebrations, dancing and a concert are in store this first weekend in April. The Mote Morris House hosts the Spring Fish Fry today. While you're there, volunteers will discuss options for the house following the recent fire.

Chefs do their best to impress at the Farm to Table, Taste of Lake County Saturday in Groveland.

Street parties in Eustis and Clermont invite everyone downtown Friday night.

Appreciate your community with the North-east Community Beautification Day in Mount Dora, or Fruitland Park Day on Saturday.

Get health information at the South Lake Family Expo on Saturday.

Bark in the Park is a day for families and dogs Sunday in Eustis.

Here is what's On Tap this weekend:

Spring Fish Fry

Celebrate spring at the 22nd Annual Spring Fish Fry at 5 p.m. today at the Mote Morris House, 1195 W. Magnolia St. in Leesburg. Tickets for all you can eat are \$30 for adults, \$15 ages 12 and younger. Volunteers will be on site taking donations for the renovations and talking about the home's restoration.

Farm to Table, Taste of Lake County

Sample specialty dishes prepared by eight chefs competing for a \$1,000 prize and vote for your favorite dish at the Farm to Table, Taste of Lake County from 4 to 11 p.m. Saturday at Lake Catherine Blueberry Farm, 5849

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MOVIE REVIEW

'Chappaquiddick' doesn't shy away from the dark side

By Ed Symkus
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Anyone who remembers the events of what happened on July 18, 1969, on the Chappaquiddick section of Martha's Vineyard probably still has their own version of those events rattling in their head. The story goes that Senator Ted Kennedy, not exactly sober, behind the wheel of his Oldsmobile, with Mary Jo Kopechne, a former campaign worker for his late brother Bobby, in the passenger seat, plunged off a wooden bridge and into a pond. The car turned upside down. Kennedy escaped. Kopechne drowned.

All of that is chronicled in the first 15 minutes of "Chappaquiddick." The rest of the film focuses on what occurred afterward



Ted Kennedy (Jason Clarke) and Mary Jo Kopechne (Kate Mara) try to figure out their relationship. [ENTERTAINMENT STUDIOS]

— on what Kennedy did or didn't do; on what others in his circle, including friends and advisors were

doing; on what the island's police were trying to do. Truth is, almost 50 years after the accident and the

'Chappaquiddick'

Written by Taylor Allen and Andrew Logan. Directed by John Curran
With Jason Clarke, Ed Helms, Jim Gaffigan, Bruce Dern, Kate Mara
Rated PG-13

series of confused missteps that went down following it, no one really knows what happened. The two people directly involved — Kennedy and Kopechne — are long gone, and the facts went with them.

In the film's opening moments, Ted Kennedy (in an extremely convincing portrayal by Australian actor Jason Clarke) is doing a television interview, chatting about NASA's moon shot that was in

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MUSIC & BOOKS

Young feels urgency to release archival material

By Scott Bauer
The Associated Press

At 72, Neil Young feels a sense of urgency. The Rock and Roll Hall of Fame member has a new, and joyfully perplexing, pseudo-Western film "Paradox" written and directed by actress and girlfriend Daryl Hannah coming out on Netflix next week. He's releasing a movie soundtrack on the same day. And next month, he's digging into his vast archives to put out "Roxy - Tonight's the Night Live," a collection of songs played live from the opening week of the famed Los Angeles club in 1973.

And if that's not enough, Young continues to move ahead with his vision to make his online musical archives the definitive repository of everything — previously released or otherwise — that he's ever recorded.

"I like to get it out there so I'm alive to see how people like it," Young said in a telephone interview from Austin, Texas, where he was attending the South by Southwest music festival. "What the (expensive)? Why not?"

Young unveiled his new archival website in December, making all of his officially released recordings available to stream in the highest audio quality possible — a passion of his — for free.

In what has been a tantalizing tease for devoted Young fans, there were



Neil Young in a scene from "Paradox," now available on Netflix. (NETFLIX VIA THE ASSOCIATED PRESS)

also inaccessible links to unreleased albums like "Homegrown" from 1974, "Chrome Dreams" from 1976 and "Toast" from 2001 along with various live recordings from throughout his 55-year career.

Young said he has 12 to 14 unreleased records he made between the late 1960s and 2012 that he wants to get out soon.

The 1973 Roxy concert highlights is next in April and he said two more vault releases are planned for later this year.

"When I made these records, I made them so fast that I couldn't put them all

out," he said. "I finished one and I'd go on to the next one. That's just the way it was at that time. I was very productive and going through a lot. I put out what I was most interested in at the time."

Young remains productive, with "Paradox" and its soundtrack coming out.

"Paradox" features Young as "The Man in the Black Hat," Willie Nelson as "Red" and his sons Lukas and Micah Nelson — members of the band Promise of the Real — as "Jailtime" and the "Particle Kid."

It premiered at the South by Southwest Festival and will have a limited

theatrical release in addition to being available on Netflix on March 23.

Billed as a "fantasy, a loud poem and a free-spirited tale of music and love," the film begins sometime in the "future-past" with Willie Nelson proclaiming that "time is fluid."

It follows Young and a band of outlaws in the mountains as they scavenge for treasure that includes computer keyboards, cameras and cellphones.

It was filmed in Colorado while Young and his band were getting used to the 10,000-foot altitude before performing at the

Desert Trip festival in 2016.

In the film, Young's band plays his song "Peace Trail" as listeners float in the air. In another scene, Young strums a ukulele as Hannah floats behind him, tied to Young's waist by a rope.

"When you're in the music, sometimes you float away in your mind," Young said. "It's just another representation of the effect of art and music on people."

Hannah, who wrote the film and is making her directorial debut, said it was all very spontaneous and not meant to be taken too seriously. Hannah described it as a "homespun project" and said she was surprised when Netflix expressed interest.

"It's not really their sort of thing," she said, adding that Netflix typically goes for more polished productions and not "spitball movies people make for themselves."

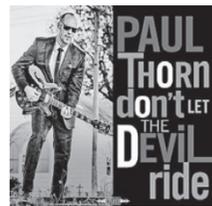
"That's my biggest concern that people will be expecting a normal movie or a rock and roll documentary and they'll be like, 'What the heck?'" Hannah said. "I hope that they take it in the lighthearted spirit it was intended and turn it up so they can hear the music."

Young said he didn't know what people would think of "Paradox," but he stands by it.

"It's a little surreal but it's playful and loving, no violence, no hatred," Young said. "It's a great palate cleanser."

MUSIC REVIEW

Thorn combines observations, blues



By Pablo Gorondi
The Associated Press

Paul Thorn's excellent gospel album, "Don't Let the Devil Ride," is invigorated by his youthful years making the rounds in Mississippi churches with his Pentecostal preacher father. The lyrics are pious, but the fervor is very human.

Thorn's colorful past includes achievements as a professional boxer — he lost a bout to Roberto Duran in 1988 — and if his right cross needed more work, his musical crossover has been more successful.

His songwriting often combines wry or humorous observations with blues, country and rock. Thorn's live shows are must-see and his albums, over a dozen since 1997, are full of gems.

The songs here are mostly from deep in the hymn books but Price's interpretations with his

longtime band and top-notch guests add up to a fine collection of Southern sounds.

Sessions were held at Sam Phillips Recording in Memphis, FAME Studios in Muscle Shoals, and Preservation Hall in New Orleans, with The Blind Boys of Alabama, The McCrary Sisters, the Preservation Hall Jazz Horns and Bonnie Bishop and there's not a wasted note or an overdone sentiment.

Thorn's voice is usually far from velvety but here he sounds even grittier and gruffer than ever, possibly reacting to the consequence of songs like "He's a Battle Axe," "Soon I Will Be Done," "The Half That Has Never Been Told" and "Something on My Mind."

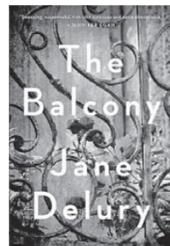
Ending on a high note, a version of The O'Jays "Love Train" is slower than the original, as if the conductor was offering you a chance to jump on board.

'DON'T LET THE DEVIL RIDE'

PAUL THORN (THIRTY TIGERS)

BOOK REVIEW

Delury's debut weaves riveting stories



By Kendal Weaver
The Associated Press

A limestone manor, surrounded by fields and forests not far from Paris, is the main setting for "The Balcony," a subtly crafted and richly rewarding debut book of fiction by Jane Delury.

With a servants' cottage tucked nearby, the once-grand estate emerges as a central presence in the narrative, looming large in the passions and destinies of a changing cast of characters that own it or visit it over a century.

Delury's book unfolds in 10 separate stories, each with its own title. While they work as compact, remarkable tales in themselves, they connect through characters and events — and the manor and its environs — to create a riveting free-form novel.

This narrative structure — stand-alone stories woven

around a central figure — is reminiscent of "Olive Kitteridge," Elizabeth Strout's Pulitzer Prize-winning book of stories built around the title character. It is no stretch to mention Delury and Strout in the same sentence: Delury's debut book, with wise observations, intriguing twists and indelibly drawn characters, is filled with reading pleasures.

A possible flaw is Delury's change of stylistic gears in the final story, "Between." It echoes themes of the book's first, "Au Pair," with a young married woman finding a lover on the side, but it is told in a stilted framework that may be confusing and jarring to the reader.

The other stories, related in spare but evocative prose, offer fresh looks at human appetites — sex, love, money, art, culture — while exploring the ups and downs of childhood, family, friendship and aging.

'THE BALCONY'

JANE DELURY (LITTLE, BROWN AND CO.)

ITUNES TOP 10 For the week ending March 22

TOP SONGS

1. Found / Tonight, Ben Platt & Lin-Manuel Miranda
2. God's Plan, Drake
3. Freaky Friday (feat. Chris Brown), Lil Dicky
4. Meant to Be (feat. Florida Georgia Line), Bebe Rexha
5. Whatever It Takes, Imagine Dragons
6. The Middle, Zedd, Maren Morris & Grey
7. In My Blood, Shawn Mendes
8. I Can Only Imagine, MercyMe
9. Zombie, Bad Wolves
10. You Make It Easy, Jason Aldean

TOP ALBUMS

1. ?, XXXTENTACION
2. Seasons Change, Scotty McCreery
3. The Greatest Showman (Original Motion Picture Soundtrack), Various Artists
4. I'll Be Your Girl, The Decemberists
5. AmerAcal, Adam Calhoun
6. PRhyme 2, PRhyme
7. Stone Temple Pilots (2018), Stone Temple Pilots
8. Bobby Tarantino II, Logic
9. Hamilton, Original Broadway Cast of Hamilton
10. Love, Simon (Original Motion Picture Soundtrack), Various Artists

BEST-SELLING BOOKS

The Wall Street Journal's list reflects nationwide sales of hardcover books for the week ending March 18

FICTION

1. "Dog Man and Cat Kid (Dog Man 4)" by Dav Pilkey (Graphix)
2. "I've Loved You Since Forever" by Hoda Kotb (HarperCollins)
3. "Green Eggs and Ham" by Dr. Seuss (Random House Books for Young Readers)
4. "The Rising Sea" by Clive Cussler and Graham Brown (G.P. Putnam's Sons)
5. "Mother Bruce" by Ryan T. Higgins (Disney-Hyperion)

NONFICTION

1. "Russian Roulette" by Michael Isikoff and David Corn (Twelve)
2. "The Rock, the Road, and the Rabbi" by Kathie Lee Gifford (Thomas Nelson)
3. "12 Rules for Life: An Antidote to Chaos" by Jordan B. Peterson (Random House Canada)
4. "I've Been Thinking..." by Maria Shriver (Pamela Dorman Books)
5. "La Vida De/The Life of Selena" by Patty Rodriguez (Lil' Libros)

FICTION E-BOOKS

1. "Dearest Ivie" by J.R. Ward (Ballantine)
2. "Bones Don't Lie" by Melinda Leigh (Montlake Romance)
3. "The Rising Sea" by Clive Cussler and Graham Brown (G.P. Putnam's Sons)
4. "The Great Alone" by Kristin Hannah (St. Martin's Press)
5. "Looking Glass" by Andrew Mayne (Thomas & Mercer)

NONFICTION E-BOOKS

1. "Russian Roulette" by Michael Isikoff and David Corn (Twelve)
2. "A Brief History of Time" by Stephen Hawking (Random House)
3. "The Bridge at Andau" by James A Michener (Random House)
4. "Educated" by Tara Westover (Random House)
5. "12 Rules for Life: An Antidote to Chaos" by Jordan B. Peterson (Random House Canada)

CALENDAR

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Thursday, April 5

CHESS CLUB: From 5:45 to 7:45 p.m. every Thursday at Leesburg Public Library, 100 E. Main St. Call 352-728-9790 for information.

MEDITATION: At 4 p.m. every Thursday at Leesburg Public Library, 100 E. Main St. Guided meditation followed by discussion. Chairs provided or bring yoga mat. Beginners welcome. Call 352-728-9790 to register.

QUILTING SISTERS GUILD: From 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. every Thursday at Masonic Lodge, 200 Richey Road. in Leesburg. Call Mary at 352-323-3351 or go to quiltingsistersguild.com for information.

STORY TIME OUR WORLD: From 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. every Thursday at Leesburg Public Library, 100 E. Main St. For ages 5 and under. With music, movement and finger-plays. Call 352-728-9790 for information.

PRE-K STORY TIME: From 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. every Thursday at W.T. Bland Public Library, 1995 N. Donnelly St. in Mt Dora. Call 352-735-7180 for information.

LAKE COUNTY FARMERS AND FLEA MARKET: From 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. every Thursday (except holidays) at the Lake County Fairgrounds, 2101 County Road 452 in Eustis. For information, call Cole Scharlau at 352-357-9692.

CRAFTY KIDS: From 4:30 to 5:15 p.m. every Thursday at the Leesburg Public Library, 100 E. Main St. Free. Children of all ages are invited to make a craft at the library to take home. Call Penny Richardson at 352-728-9790 or email penny.richardson@leesburgflorida.gov.

CRAFTERNOONS: From 2 to 5 p.m. every Thursday at Cooper Memorial Library, 2525 Oakley Seaver Drive in Clermont. Bring your current craft project. Call 352-536-2275 for information.

KIDS ACTIVITY NIGHT: From 6 to 7 p.m. every Thursday at Astor County Library, 54905 Alco Road. Call 352-759-9913 for information.

DUNGEONS AND DRAGONS: From 5 to 7 p.m. every Thursday at Marion Baysinger Memorial Library, 756 W. Broad St. in Groveland. For ages 13 to 18. Call 352-429-5840 for information.

TNT GAMING: From 4 to 5 p.m. every Thursday at Leesburg Public Library, 100 E. Main St. For ages 8 to 18. Call 352-728-9790 for information.

LEGO CLUB: From 3 to 4

EDITOR'S PICK



Illusionist Rick Thomas appears at 7 p.m. Friday at Mount Dora Community Building Theater, 520 N. Baker St. Go to MountDoraLive.com for tickets. [SUBMITTED]

p.m. every Thursday at Fruitland Park Library, 205 W. Berckman St. For ages 5 to 18. Call 352-360-6561 for information.

SCHOLARSHIP KICKOFF LUNCHEON: From 12 to 1 p.m. at Golden Triangle YMCA, 1465 David Walker Drive in Tavares. For information on how to register email Lisa Fisher at Lfisher@cfymca.org.

GAMING NIGHT: From 5 to 7 p.m. at Eustis Memorial Library, 120 N. Center St. Munch on snacks and play on five gaming systems. Grades 1 to 5 from 5 to 6 p.m. and grades 6 to 12 from 6 to 7 p.m. Call Ms. Lauren at 352-357-0896 or 352-357-5686 for information.

PRESENTATION: From 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at Cooper Memorial Library Room 108, 2525 Oakley Seaver Drive in Clermont. Poetry of Saint Augustine with Ann Browning Masters. Free. Call 352-536-2275 ext. 2623.

22ND ANNUAL SPRING FISH FRY: At 5 p.m. at Mote Morris House, 1195 W. Magnolia St. in Leesburg. Southern food favorites, entertainment and cash bar. All you can eat for \$30 and \$15 for ages 12 and under. Call 352-365-0053 or go to leesburgpartnership.com.

SPOKEN WORD: From 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at Leesburg Public Library, 100 E. Main St. Poets and writers of all backgrounds and levels of experience welcome. Call 352-728-9790 for information.

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READER OF THE PACK: From 4 to 5 p.m. the first Thursday of the month at Leesburg Public Library, 100 E. Main St. Free. All ages are invited to pet and read a book to the PAWS Therapy Dogs to strengthen reading skills

and build reading confidence. Call Melissa Curry at 352-728-9790 or email melissa.curry@leesburgflorida.gov.

PALETTES AND PETS: From 5 to 7 p.m. the first Thursday of the month at Orlando Cat Café, 532 Cagan Park Ave. in Clermont. Order a snack and create a canvas painting with guidance from professional artist Kathie Camara. All materials provided. Cost is \$35. Registration required. Go to orlandocatcafe.com.

Thursday, April 5 and Friday, April 6

AUXILIARY BOOKS ARE FUN FUNDRAISER: From 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Matison Conference Room at Florida Hospital Waterman, 1000 Waterman Way in Tavares. Open to the public.

Thursday, April 5 to Sunday, April 8

ALWAYS, PATSY CLINE: At 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, 8 p.m. on Friday and Saturday and 2 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday at IceHouse Theatre, 1100 N. Unser St. in Mount Dora. Cost is \$22 for adults, \$15 for students with ID and \$10 for ages 5 to 17. Go to icehousetheatre.com for tickets.

Friday, April 6

LAKEFRONT WORKOUT DANCE PARTY: From 10 to 11 a.m. every Friday at Lilly's on the Lake, 846 W. Osceola St. in Clermont. Free. Go to lillysonthelake.com.

DINNER AND ENTERTAINMENT: At 5 p.m. every Friday at Amvets Post 1992, 32201 Amvets Way in Mount Dora. Nonmembers must be signed in by a member of the post. Go to amvetspost1992.org.

FRIDAY FISH FRY: From 5 to 7 p.m. every Friday at AMVETS Post 2006, 500 N. Canal St. in Leesburg. Non-members must sign in with a sponsor. Wear red to honor those deployed. Call Post Commander or Vice at 352-323-8750, email

veteransinfoandevents@gmail.com or go to amvets2006.com.

JAZZ TRIO: From 7 to 10 p.m. every Friday at Lakeside Inn, 100 Alexander St. in Mount Dora. Featuring Johny Carlsson on piano, Barry Smith on drums and Larry Jacoby on bass.

STORY TIME: At 11 a.m. every Friday at Marianne Beck Memorial Library, 112 W. Central Ave. in Howey-In-The-Hills. With craft. Call 352-324-0254 for information.

CHESS CLUB: From 3:15 to 4:15 p.m. every Friday at Umatilla Public Library, 412 Hatfield Dr. Call 352-669-3284 for information.

GOLF FOR EDUCATION: At 11:30 a.m. at Black Bear Golf Club, 24505 Calusa Blvd. in Eustis. Entry fee is \$75. Call 352-669-3511 or 352-669-2585 for information.

LUNCHEON: From 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at American Legion Post 18, 401 E. Atlantic Highway in Wildwood. Shepherd's pie,

salad, bread and dessert. Donation is \$7.50. Open to the public. Call 352-748-7009 for information.

RIDERS IN THE SKY: At 7:30 p.m. at Orange Blossom Opry, 16439 S.E. 138th Terrace in Weirsdale. Western music and wit. Go to obopry.com for tickets and information.

ILLUSIONIST RICK THOMAS: At 7 p.m. at Mount Dora Community Building Theater, 520 N. Baker St. Cost is \$55. His show has run consecutively for 15 years in Las Vegas. Go to MountDoraLive.com for tickets.

STREET PARTY: From 6 to 10 p.m. the first Friday of the month in downtown Eustis. Featuring music, food and friends. Accepting applications for vendors. Go to www.eustis.org or call 352-483-5491.

Saturday, April 7

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CROCHET CLASS: From noon to 2 p.m. every Saturday at the W.T. Bland Public Library, 1995 N. Donnelly St. in Mount Dora. Bring a size J crochet hook, yarn and scissors. Class projects include a newborn infant's cap, a star-shaped pot holder and a lady's hat with ornamentation. Free. Call 352-735-7180, option 5.

LEESBURG SATURDAY MORNING MARKET: From 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. every Saturday at Towne Square, 501 W. Main St. With local farmers, craftsmen, bakers and artists. Volunteers needed. Call 352-365-0053.

NORTHEAST COMMUNITY BEAUTIFICATION DAY: At 8:45 a.m. at Martin Luther King Center, 803 Florida Ave. in Mount Dora. Lunch provided. Text or call 352-434-2135 to register.

RANGER HISTORY PROGRAM: From 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. every Saturday unless another event is scheduled at Dade Battlefield Historic State Park, 7200 County Road 603 in Bushnell. With historic weapons firing demonstration. Call 352-793-4781.

COMMUNITY YARD SALE: At 8 a.m. at Lakes of Mount Dora Club House parking lot, 8506 Lakes of Mount Dora Blvd. Sponsored by the LOMD Women's Club to raise funds for charities and community projects. Call Suzanne Simpson at 352-589-6747 for information.

ART OF FASHION AND DESIGN: At 7 p.m. at Lake Square Mall, 10401 US Highway 441 in Leesburg. Center for the Arts pop-up gallery featuring eco-friendly designs by students followed by runway and showcase. Call Maria Stefanovic at 352-365-0232 for information.

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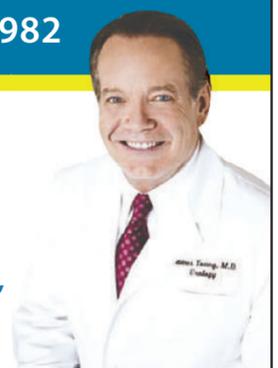
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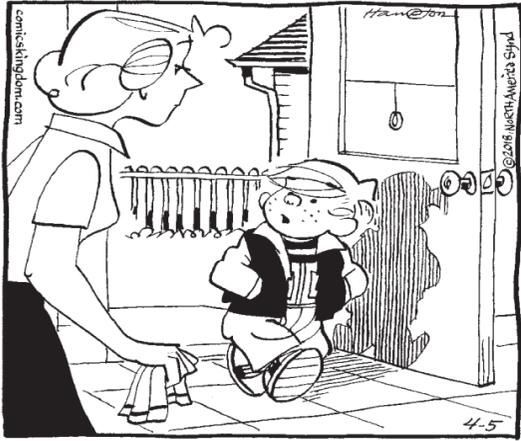
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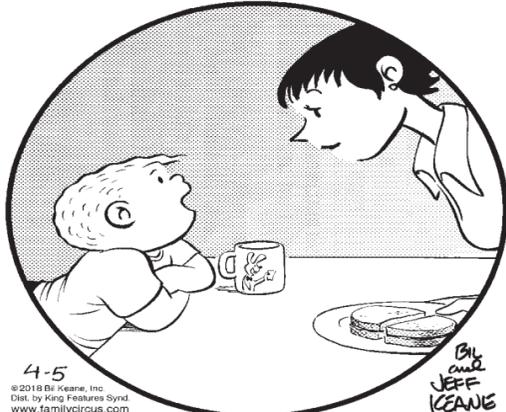
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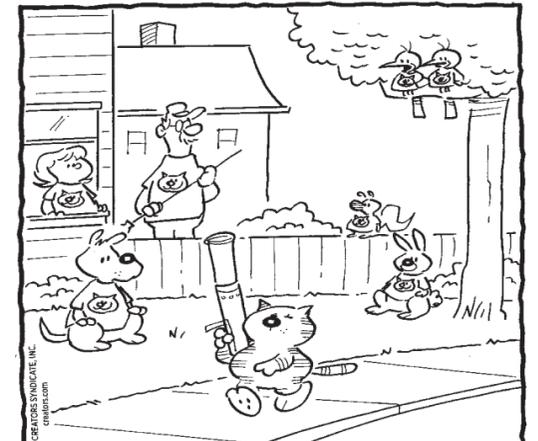
"I DIDN'T EVEN WANT TO PLAY TAG TODAY... I MUST BE GETTING A COLD...OR, EVEN WORSE, GETTING OLD."

FAMILY CIRCUS



"Grandma said I don't have a worry in the world. Should I?"

HEATHCLIFF



"HE'S HANDY WITH THAT T-SHIRT CANNON."

LUANN



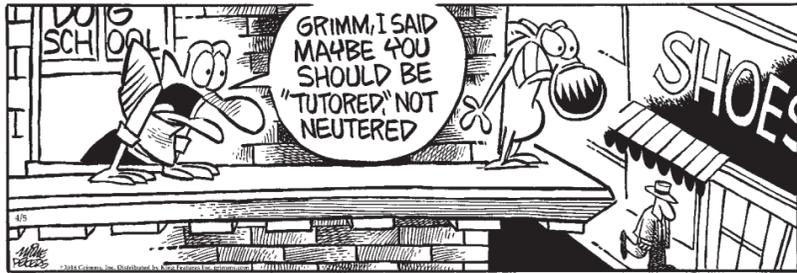
After I marry Al, I'll live in his house, you and Les will be here in the guest house... AND YOU'LL MISS OUR OLD HOUSE... YES! IT'S WHERE YOU GREW UP, WHERE WE BUILT A LIFE AND SHARED LOVELY TIMES TOGETHER! I KNOW WE HAVE TO GROW APART SOMEDAY, BUT... IT'S ONLY ABOUT 12 FEET, MOM

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THIS YEAR'S TEAM-BUILDING EVENT WILL BE A DANCE. NO ALCOHOL WILL BE SERVED. THE EVENT IS FOR EMPLOYEES ONLY, AND YOU'RE NOT ALLOWED TO TOUCH EACH OTHER. HAVE A GREAT TIME. HOW?

MOTHER GOOSE & GRIMM



GRIMM, I SAID MAYBE YOU SHOULD BE "TUTORED," NOT "NEUTERED"

BABY BLUES



HAMMIE NEEDS A NEW MATTRESS. WHAT'S WRONG WITH THIS ONE? IT LOOKS LUMPY, TATTERED AND SMELLS LIKE A BAG OF ARMPITS. SO DOES HE. GET YOUR COAT. WE'RE GOING MATTRESS SHOPPING. THANKS DAD.

BEETLE BAILEY



TO TRY AND KEEP THIS MEETING SHORT... ...I TOLD LT. FUZZ TO MOVE HIS CHAIR 20 FEET OUTSIDE. CAN I ASK A QUESTION?

PICKLES



I HATE WATCHING YOU EAT M&M'S. OH? WHY'S THAT? YOU EAT ONE COLOR AT A TIME UNTIL THEY'RE GONE, AND THEN YOU START ON THE NEXT COLOR. EVERYONE KNOWS YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO EAT THEM ALL TOGETHER. FACE IT, EARL. YOU'RE A CANDY BIGOT.

ZITS



JEREMY, WILL YOU GO SHOPPING WITH ME TODAY? UM, I GUESS SO. BUT ONLY IF YOU DO SOMETHING FOR ME. LIKE WHAT? SKIP THE SHOPPING.

PHANTOM



LET'S SEE WHAT'S NEW SINCE THE LAST TIME THE JUNGLE PATROL WAS HERE... IF THERE'S ANYTHING I DON'T ALREADY KNOW, NOW'S THE TIME TO FIND OUT, DEVIL... DARKNESS FALLS AND YOU AND I GET AFTER THE NOMAD!

GARFIELD



CATS ARE FAST. FASTER THAN THE EYE CAN SEE.

BLONDIE



IS THE TV REMOTE BROKEN, DEAR? THE BATTERIES ARE DEAD. I'LL JUST HAVE TO ROUGH IT AND CHANGE THE CHANNELS MANUALLY! HEARD YOU'VE BEEN ROUGHING IT, DAG. HEY, WE FEEL YOUR PAIN... I'M JUST HANGING ON UNTIL I GET SOME NEW BATTERIES TODAY. MY CAR'S KEVLESS REMOTE STOPPED WORKIN' ONCE

FOR BETTER OR FOR WORSE



BOY, THAT'S REALLY COOL, MOM! YOU THINK SO? YEAH! DAD SAID TO COME INTO THE KITCHEN FOR A SURPRISE - AN, HE WAS RIGHT! WELL... I DIDN'T THINK YOU'D NOTICE. ARE YOU CRAZY? OF COURSE I NOTICED! YOU HAVEN'T MADE TACOS FOR MONTHS!!

SHOE



AMERICA IS ONE OUT AWAY FROM WINNING THE WORLD SERIES! AMERICA IS FIRST AND GOAL ON THE TWO-YARD LINE! AMERICA HAS THE BALL WITH... OUCH!! I THINK HE PULLED A HAMSTRING USING ALL THOSE SPORTS METAPHORS!

B.C.



WHAT'S THIS? A COWL-INDUCED SPOLOIN-BUILT KRYPTON CONVERTER. I'M QUITE SURE YOU'RE MAKING THESE NAMES UP IN ORDER TO SELL US USELESS JUNK. TOOK YA LONG ENOUGH. UNIQUE GIFTS

HAGAR THE HORRIBLE



DO YOU HAVE A FINANCIAL PLAN FOR OUR FUTURE? OF COURSE! BE NICE AS PIE TO YOUR MOTHER, AND WAIT!

ROSE IS ROSE



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STAGE

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Patsy's friendship with fan Louise Seger, "Always, Patsy Cline" plays at the Son-nentag Ice House Theatre in Mount Dora through Sunday. Tickets for all performances are sold out, but there is a waiting list for possible seating or added shows. Details: icehousetheatre.com.

Orange Blossom Opry

Riders in the Sky performs at the Orange Blossom Opry in Weirsdale on Friday and John Conlee plays two shows Saturday. Details: obopry.com.

Illusionist Rick Thomas

Rick Thomas brings his ling-running show from Las Vegas to the Mount Dora Community Building Theater, 520 N. Baker St., at 7 p.m. Friday. Cost: \$55. Details: MountDoraLive.com.

Mozart's Requiem

The Florida Philharmonic and Chorale performs Mozart's Requiem at 3 p.m. Sunday at the Clermont Performing Arts Center. The 80-piece orchestra and chorale will be conducted by Maestro Pasquale Valerio, who founded the orchestra in 2004 as the Villages Philharmonic Orchestra.

"Mozart's Requiem," the composer's final work, which was unfinished at the time of his death in 1791, is wrapped in mystery. According to his widow, Constanze Mozart, the person who commissioned the work was kept secret. Constanze said her husband believed he was poisoned and that he was writing the piece for his own funeral. He was working on the Requiem on the last day of his life, giving instructions to his assistant on how he intended to finish it.

Details and tickets: clermontPAC.com.

REVIEW

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progress, as well as about the legacy of his late brother John Kennedy. To put some historical perspective on everything, this was taking place just a year after his brother Bobby had been assassinated. Ted was 37, and many people assumed he was being groomed for the presidency.

But things would change later on that Friday, after he arrived at his Vineyard cottage to party with friends and coworkers, along with the group of young campaign workers collectively known as the "Boiler Room Girls."

The film wastes no time hinting that there was an attraction between Mary Jo Kopechne (Kate Mara) and Ted. Nor does it shy away from the idea that he was driving drunk when they went out for a late-night ride. Was there something going on between them? Well, that isn't answered in any concrete way.

But it's clear, from a point shortly after the accident, that the script is not going to treat Kennedy with kid gloves. The perspective the film takes is that Kennedy did not know how to handle the situation. He made it back to the cottage, soaking wet, and enlisted the help of his cousin and family lawyer Joe Gargan (Ed Helms, playing a terrific serious role) and his friend, a former U.S. attorney Paul Markham (comedian Jim Gaffigan, also great).

Ted doesn't know what to do, but is aware enough to say,

out loud, "I'm not gonna be president."

From there, the film is a study of everything that can go wrong, from not taking advice from the right people to avoiding responsibility to outright lying. It's the story of, in the words of Joe Gargan, "another family tragedy." Even though there's a lot going on, and a lot of people involved in it, the story stays firmly fixed on Ted: He's haunted by scenes in his head of what Mary Jo might have experienced underwater; he's flummoxed by the errant behavior of his wheelchair-bound, really nasty father (Bruce Dern); he keeps trying to think his way through all of this, but seems to be desperate, in pain, kind of pathetic.

After his father brings in some "experts" to sort things out, questions start arising about whether there was negligence, if Ted could be charged with involuntary manslaughter, and in his own mind, if he can still be a viable presidential candidate.

The film covers the day of the accident and the week following it. Its most powerful scenes are those between Ted and his dad, who can only squeak out a word or two. The most telling scene is when Ted reveals more than he should about himself, saying to those experts, and convinced it's the right way to go, "We will tell the truth, or at least our version of it."

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Catherine Road in Groveland. Other activities include a Paint and Sip area, kids area with prizes, musical entertainment and family games. Tickets are \$40 at tasteoflakecounty.eventbrite.com. Proceeds benefit Dreamplex.

Street Party in Eustis

Gather your friends and head to the Eustis Street Party from 6 to 10 p.m. Friday in downtown. Enjoy music, food and shopping.

First Friday Clermont

The First Friday Family Food Trucks and Music On Montrose features two car clubs showing off cars and motorcycles from the 1980s and older, and the Veteran's Administration marks the 50th anniversary of Vietnam by presenting certificates to local veterans from 6 to 9 p.m. Friday in Historic Downtown Clermont's City Hall Park at 7th and West Montrose. Free.

Northeast Community Beautification Day

Enjoy the day and make new friends at the Northeast Community Beautification Day at 8:45 a.m. Saturday at the Martin Luther King Center, 803 Florida Ave. in Mount Dora. Lunch will be provided. The event is sponsored by the Mount Dora Police Department and Visit Mount Dora. Text or call 352-434-2135 to register.

South Lake Family Expo

The 16th annual South Lake Family Expo is from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday at the First United Methodist Church Wesley Center at State Road 50 and Seventh Street in Clermont. Guests can get health information and attend seminars along with visiting local merchants and professionals.

There is a Kids Zone to keep the little ones busy. Admission is free and there are giveaways and raffles.

Fruitland Park Day

Fruitland Park celebrates its residents from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday at City Hall, 506 W. Berckman St. with a barbecue cook-off, parade, entertainment and free activities for the kids.

Square Dancing

Do-si-do at the Old-Fashioned Square Dancing party from 5 to 7 p.m. Sunday with veteran square dance caller Marty Vanwart at Dade Battlefield Historic State Park, 7200 County Road 603 in Bushnell. Cost: \$3 per vehicle or Florida annual park pass.

Bark in the Park

Bring your family, including your dog, to the Bark in the Park from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday at Ferran Park in Eustis. There will be games, contests and food with proceeds benefiting Jesse's Fund for Therapy Dogs. Details: pawsandfx.com.

Swing Band Concert

The Lake County Swing and Friends Concert is 3 p.m. Sunday at the Grace Way Presbyterian Church Sanctuary, 10200 Morningside Dr. in Leesburg. Each year the band, under direction of Larry Lutte, invites recognized professional musician soloists to be featured as a part of the concert. This year, two talented students, Trevor Gehman, an eighth grade trumpet player, and Mick Pepper, a senior student trombone player will be featured. The concert will include Glen Miller's "Tuxedo Junction," Count Basie's arrangements of "Moon River" and "Who's Sorry Now." Other arrangements of Duke Ellington's "A Train," and Benny Goodman's "Don't Be That Way." A \$10 donation is requested.

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