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Tyndall to house MQ-9 Reapers

Unmanned aerial drone squadron to employ 1,600 personnel, boost economy

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TYNDALL AIR FORCE BASE — Tyndall Air Force Base's workforce will increase by more than a third after the Air Force on Tuesday named the base its preferred location for a new unmanned aerial drone wing.

The MQ-9 Reaper Wing could bring in, according to various estimates, from 1,400 to 1,600 airmen and their dependents. The base

currently employs about 3,500 military members, along with 1,200 civilians and 1,500 contractors.

"We have the space over there and the infrastructure," said U.S. Rep. Neal Dunn, R-Panama City, who has advocated for Tyndall's selection since his election. "It will bring a tremendous boost to our region. Tyndall is a perfect location for this new wing, and this community will welcome the new airmen and their families who come to live and work here with open arms."

Dunn said he wasn't "prepared to guess" the local economic impact but that "it will be huge."

"As additional personnel from the MQ-9 community are assigned, this will mean an increase of our footprint, not only on our economic impact, but also in the Bay County and Panama City community, Tyndall spokesman Don Arias said. "As of 2014, Tyndall's total economic impact was \$605 million."

The MQ-9 is an armed unmanned aerial vehicle that can perform combat, surveillance and reconnaissance missions, according to a news release from Dunn's office. The Reaper has a wingspan of 66 feet, a range of 1,000 nautical miles, and a

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An MQ-9 Reaper performs during an air show demonstration May 29, 2016, at Cannon Air Force Base, N.M. Tyndall Air Force Base on Tuesday was selected to house the MQ-9 Reaper Wing, which is expected to bring up to 1,600 personnel. [MASTER SGT. DENNIS J. HENRY JR./AIR FORCE]

Airport looks west



A station manager directs a Delta flight from Atlanta to the gate at Northwest Florida Beaches International Airport on Tuesday. Next summer more direct and non-stop flights will come in and out of the airport.



A Delta flight from Atlanta lands at Northwest Florida Beaches International Airport on Tuesday. [PHOTOS BY JOSHUA BOUCHER/THE NEWS HERALD]

ECP adding Denver, Vegas, Phoenix flights in summer 2018

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WEST BAY — The new summer schedule for Northwest Florida Beaches International Airport includes new routes out west and a major revamping of the direct flight schedule.

New flights to Denver, Phoenix and Las Vegas have been added, in addition to

numerous other non-stop and direct destinations. For the second year, Southwest also is bringing back non-stop flights to Austin, Texas, and Chicago, and all of the airlines are increasing flight activity or adding larger aircrafts to their fleet during the season, airport officials said.

"We had a very successful summer season this year with

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Family with 7 adopted to be on 'Today'

Olds family's story to air next week on NBC morning show

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SPRINGFIELD — A local couple who adopted seven siblings out of foster care will have their story go national on NBC's "Today" show next week.

Camera crews spent two days with DaShoan and Sofia Olds at the Marianna home they now share with Necia, twins Erica and Eric, Zavian, Dava, Keyon and Gentry, and at Rutherford High School where DaShoan Olds is a math teacher and track coach.

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TENSIONS RISE AGAIN

North Korea launches ballistic missile, Yonhap news agency reports

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READER FEEDBACK

A threat, which turned out to be false, that someone had planted explosives at a local school Tuesday led to evacuations and lockdowns as well as an outpouring of comments on The News Herald's Facebook page.

Sarah Evanko: "In today's society full of hatred and road rage and general unpleasantness you can't take these threats lightly I hope they expel the student responsible. God help our children they will never know what it was like to worry about going anywhere with out getting shot or blown up, great job America."

Mandy Holliger: "The kid that called in the threat stated that he was "upset with some people". Is it possible these kids that called in the threat were being bullied? Why these kids did this is what we need to find out."

Nancy Myers: "I don't think the reason matters. Fact is a bomb treat was made and there needs to be consequences."

Patricia Sauls: "There should be amber alerts for when schools go on lockdown and bomb threats!!! The parents need to know when the school officials know. First hand!"

Debbie Rowlee: "I wish there was real punishment for this. smh."

Michelle Rush: "Please find this person and prosecute them too. Ggrrrr."

Shiloh Keller: "Someone probably wanted to get out of a math test."

Lexi Lou Kristen: "Some of us have children that go to that school so excuse me for not seeing the humor in a bomb threat."

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Madison McLean of Southport is 13. **Madalyn Olivia Ward** of Panama City Beach is 13.



McLean



Ward

Hall of Fame sportscaster **Vin Scully** is 90. Former French President **Jacques Chirac** is 85. Actress **Diane Ladd** is 82. Composer-musician **Chuck Mangione** is 77. Former Olympic skier **Suzy Chaffee** is 71. Movie director **Joel Coen** is 63. Actor-comedian-celebrity judge **Howie Mandel** is 62. Actress **Cathy Moriarty** is 57. Actor **Andrew McCarthy** is 55. Actor **Don Cheadle** is 53. Pop singer **Jonathan Knight** (New Kids on the Block) is 49. Contemporary Christian singer **Crowder** is 46. Rapper **The Game** is 38.

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The Empty Stocking Fund began more than 30 years ago, when Salvation Army board member Tommy Thomas and The News Herald joined forces to bring holiday cheer to the area's needy families. The first goal was \$20,000. The fund's target has grown since and the campaign has raised more than \$4 million. This year's goal is \$185,000.

Each year, when the goal is reached, Bill Cramer Chevrolet Cadillac Buick GMC donates an additional \$5,000.

You can mail donations to either of these addresses: The Empty Stocking Fund, c/o The Salvation Army, P.O. Box 540, Panama City, FL 32402; or The News Herald, P.O. Box 1940, Panama City, FL 32402, or visit salvationarmypanamacity.org, text 41444.

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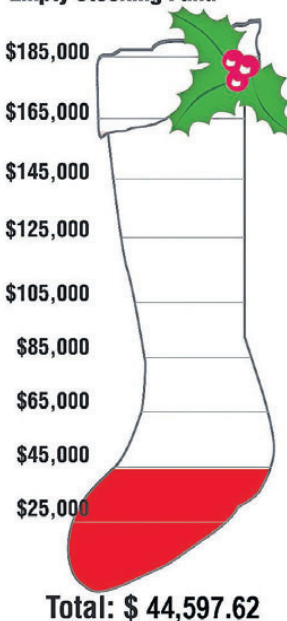
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TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is **Wednesday, Nov. 29**, the 333rd day of 2017. There are 32 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On **Nov. 29, 1947**, the U.N. General Assembly passed a resolution calling for the partitioning of Palestine between Arabs and Jews; 33 members, including the United States, voted in favor of the resolution, 13 voted against while 10 abstained. (The plan, rejected by the Arabs, never was implemented.)

On this date: In **1890**, the first Army-Navy football game was played at West Point, New York; Navy defeated Army, 24-0. The Imperial Diet, forerunner of Japan's current national legislature, opened its first session.

In **1956**, the musical comedy "Bells Are Ringing," starring Judy Holliday, opened on Broadway.

In **1961**, Enos the chimp was launched from Cape Canaveral aboard the Mercury-Atlas 5 spacecraft, which orbited Earth twice before returning.

In **1972**, the coin-operated video arcade game Pong, created by Atari, made its debut at Andy Capp's Tavern in Sunnyvale, California.

In **1981**, actress Natalie Wood drowned in a boating accident off Santa Catalina Island, California, at age 43.

In **1986**, actor Cary Grant died in Davenport, Iowa, at age 82. In **1987**, a Korean Air 707 jetliner en route from Abu Dhabi to Bangkok was destroyed by a bomb planted by North Korean agents with the loss of all 115 people aboard.

YOUNG ARTIST



Millie Bostwick
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FLORIDA LOTTERY

These Florida lotteries were drawn Monday:
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Fantasy 5: 04-08-11-35-36
Pick 2 Evening: 1-2
Pick 2 Midday: 5-3
Pick 3 Evening: 1-0-3
Pick 3 Midday: 4-1-9
Pick 4 Evening: 6-4-1-5
Pick 4 Midday: 7-1-6-1
Pick 5 Evening: 0-4-2-5-0
Pick 5 Midday: 9-6-5-3-9
Powerball: estimated jackpot \$163 million
Mega Millions: estimated jackpot \$132 million

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Elizabeth Mitchell submitted this picture, writing, "A beautiful Thanksgiving afternoon at Mexico Beach."

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NATION & WORLD

NKorea ends pause in testing with launch

By Lolita C. Baldor and Robert Burns
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — North Korea abruptly ended a 10-week pause in its weapons testing Tuesday by launching what the Pentagon said was an intercontinental ballistic missile — possibly its longest-range test yet — a move that will escalate already high tensions with Washington.

Pentagon spokesman Col. Rob Manning said the missile was launched from Sain Ni, North Korea, and traveled about 620 miles before landing in the Sea of Japan within 200 nautical miles of Japan's coast. It flew for 53 minutes, Japan's defense minister said.

South Korea, a key U.S. ally separated from the North by a highly militarized border, responded with shorter-range missile tests of its own to mimic striking the North Korea launch site, which it said lies not far from the North Korean capital.

The launch is North Korea's first since it fired an intermediate range missile over Japan on Sept. 15, and it appeared to shatter chances that the hiatus could lead to renewed diplomacy over the reclusive country's nuclear program. U.S. officials have sporadically floated the idea of direct talks with North Korea if it maintained restraint.

An intercontinental ballistic missile test is considered particularly provocative. It would signal further progress by Pyongyang in developing a weapon of mass destruction that could strike the U.S. mainland, which President



People at the Seoul Railway Station in Seoul, South Korea, watch a TV screen showing an image of North Korean leader Kim Jong Un delivering a statement on Sept. 22 in Pyongyang, North Korea, in response to U.S. President Donald Trump's speech to the United Nations. [ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE PHOTO]

Donald Trump has vowed to prevent — using military force if necessary.

In response to the launch, Trump said the United States will “take care of it.” He told reporters: “It is a situation that we will handle.” He did not elaborate.

White House press secretary Sarah Sanders tweeted that Trump was briefed on the situation “while missile was still in the air.”

Manning, the Pentagon spokesman, said the North American Aerospace Defense Command, known as NORAD, “determined the missile launch from North Korea did not pose a threat to North America, our territories or our allies.”

U.S. scientist David Wright

said that based on initial reports on the altitude and duration of the test, it appeared to be North Korea's longest-range test yet. If flown on a standard trajectory rather than at a lofted angle, the missile would have a range of more than 8,100 miles, said Wright, a physicist at the Union for Concerned Scientists.

A week ago, the Trump administration declared North Korea a state sponsor of terrorism, further straining ties between governments that are still technically at war. Washington also imposed new sanctions on North Korean shipping firms and Chinese trading companies dealing with the North.

North Korea called the

terror designation a “serious provocation” that justifies its development of nuclear weapons.

Echoing the initial U.S. assessment, Japan's Defense Minister Itsunori Onodera said the missile was likely an intercontinental ballistic missile. He said it was launched on highly lofted trajectory and reached a high point exceeding 2,400 miles — exceeding the height of previous missile tests. He said it flew for about 53 minutes.

“We can assume it was ICBM-class,” Onodera said.

Seoul's Joint Chiefs of Staff said the U.S. and South Korean militaries were analyzing the launch data from the missile. It said it traveled a distance of

600 miles and estimated the apogee at 2796 miles.

In response to the North Korean test, it said South Korea conducted a “precision-strike” drill, firing three missiles, including one with a 620-mile range, to accurately hit a target that stood for the North Korean launch site. South Korea's presidential office said it was holding a National Security Council meeting Wednesday morning local time to discuss the launch.

Japanese Prime Minister Shinzo Abe called for an emergency meeting of the U.N. Security Council. He said Japan will not back down against any provocation and would maximize pressure on the North in its strong alliance with the U.S.

“We will not tolerate North Korea's reckless action,” he told reporters.

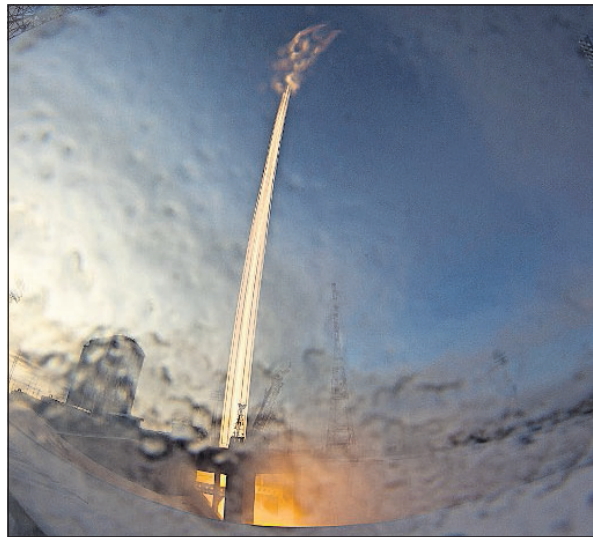
The test is likely to trigger moves by the U.S. and its allies to condemn North Korea's latest test as a violation of Security Council resolutions that prohibit its use of ballistic missile technology and possibly seek more sanctions.

Trump has ramped up economic and diplomatic pressure on the North to prevent its development of a nuclear-tipped missile that could strike the U.S. mainland. Thus far, the pressure has failed to get North Korea's totalitarian government, which views a nuclear arsenal as key to its survival, to return to long-stalled international negotiations on its nuclear program.

U.N. Security Council President Sebastiano Cardinal said he was scheduled to brief the council Wednesday.

DATELINES

VOSTOCHNY LAUNCH PAD, RUSSIA



A Russian Soyuz 2.1b rocket carrying a Meteor M satellite and additional 18 small satellites lifts off Tuesday from the launch pad at the new Vostochny cosmodrome outside the city of Tsiolkovsky, Russia. A Russian weather satellite and nearly 20 micro-satellites from various nations failed to enter their designated orbits Tuesday following the launch from Russia's new cosmodrome, another blow to the nation's space program. [DMITRI LOVETSKY/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS]

KARANGASEM, INDONESIA



Mount Agung volcano erupts Tuesday in Karangasem, Bali, Indonesia. A volcano with a deadly history continued to erupt Tuesday on Bali, one of the world's most popular resort islands, spitting ash 2 1/2 miles high and stranding tens of thousands of tourists for a second day. Lava was welling in its crater, but it remained unclear how bad the eruption might get or how long it could last. [FIRDIA LISNAWATI/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS]

NEW YORK



Kadian Noble speaks Tuesday during a news conference as her attorney Jeff Herman looks on in New York. An aspiring actress who met Harvey Weinstein by chance in 2014 detailed in tears Tuesday how she said the media mogul made her stand in front of a mirror in his hotel room in Cannes, France, while he stood behind her, groping her and forcing her to perform a sex act after pretending to be interested in her career. [SETH WENIG/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS]

LONDON

Irish deputy PM quits to avert snap election as Brexit looms

Ireland's deputy prime minister resigned Tuesday to avert a parliamentary vote that would have collapsed the government and triggered a snap election at a crunch time for Brexit negotiations.

Frances Fitzgerald quit hours before lawmakers had been due to vote on a no-confidence motion targeting her, filed by opposition party Fianna Fail.

She said she was stepping down “to avoid an unwelcome and potentially destabilizing general election at this historically critical time.”

Fianna Fail wanted Fitzgerald ousted over her involvement in a long-running police scandal.

LONDON

UN: About 11 percent of drugs in poor countries are fake

About 11 percent of medicines in developing countries are counterfeit and likely responsible for the deaths of tens of thousands of children from diseases like malaria and pneumonia every year, the World Health Organization said Tuesday.

It's the first attempt by the U.N. health agency to assess the problem. Experts reviewed 100 studies involving more than 48,000 medicines.

Drugs for treating malaria and bacterial infections accounted for nearly 65 percent of fake medicines.

WHO's director-general said the problem mostly affects poor countries.

ALBANY, N.Y.

Remains of pilot shot down in WWII coming home for burial

The Pentagon says the remains of an American pilot shot down in Europe during World War II are being returned to his New York family for burial 73 years after he died.

U.S. military officials said Tuesday that Army Air Forces 1st Lt. Robert Mains, of Rochester, was the 27-year-old pilot of a B-24 Liberator taking part in a raid over Germany in April 1945.

His plane was shot down by enemy fighters near the German town of Ludwigslust.

In 1997, a Pentagon team found aircraft wreckage. Other teams returned in recent years and found bone tissue that was identified as Mains' using DNA samples provided by his family.

MIAMI

Psychiatric help, then prison for Jewish center bomb plotter

A Florida man will be hospitalized in federal custody for psychiatric treatment and likely serve 25 years in prison for plotting to bomb a synagogue and Jewish school center during Passover last year, a judge ruled Tuesday.

James Medina, 41, pleaded guilty this year to a religious hate crime and attempting to use a weapon of mass destruction, which was actually a fake bomb provided by an FBI informant.

He could have received life in prison, but prosecutors and Medina's attorney worked out an agreement that was accepted by U.S. District Judge Robert Scola.

TRAVERSE CITY, MICH.

Agency says US, Canada fall short on protecting Great Lakes

Despite recent improvements, the U.S. and Canada have a long way to go toward ridding the Great Lakes of pollution that endangers human health and the environment, an advisory agency said Tuesday.

Inadequately treated sewage, industrial chemicals and farm runoff are still flowing into the five lakes that provide drinking water for about 40 million people, the International Joint Commission said in its first checkup report since both nations last updated the Great Lakes Water Quality Agreement in 2012.

The Associated Press

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Top Dems pull out of meeting

After Twitter attack, whether or not a government shutdown will be avoided is to be determined

By Andrew Taylor
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Congress' top Democrats abruptly pulled out of a planned meeting with President Donald Trump on Tuesday after he declared he didn't "see a deal" ahead with them on taxes and federal spending, casting doubt on prospects for averting a government shutdown at the end of next week.

On Twitter just hours before the scheduled meeting at the White House, Trump also accused Senate Minority

Leader Charles Schumer of New York and House Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi of California of being soft on crime, taxes and illegal immigration.

Schumer and Pelosi rebuffed Trump's invitation and asked instead for immediate talks at the Capitol with top Republican leaders in Congress.

"Given that the president doesn't see a deal between Democrats and the White House, we believe the best path forward is to continue negotiating with our Republican counterparts in Congress instead," Schumer and Pelosi said in a statement. "Rather than going to the White House for a show meeting that won't result in an agreement, we've asked Leader McConnell and

Speaker Ryan to meet this afternoon."

That invitation was swiftly rejected by Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell of Kentucky and House Speaker Paul Ryan of Wisconsin.

Meanwhile, Trump on Tuesday made his third visit to the Capitol in little more than a month, trying to make the sale to Senate Republicans on his signature tax bill. In a boost for the measure, the Senate Budget Committee advanced the bill to the full Senate on a 12-11 vote.

Trump met at the White House with Ryan and McConnell, where he was upbeat about the prospects for the tax bill.

"We're in very good position," he said.

The president and



President Donald Trump speaks Tuesday in the Roosevelt Room of the White House in Washington during a meeting with Republican congressional leaders.

[SUSAN WALSH/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS]

Republican leaders criticized the absent Democrats, with Trump vowing to "absolutely blame the Democrats" if there's a government shutdown, even though Republicans

control the White House and Congress.

On a shutdown, Trump said, "If it happens it's going to be over illegals pouring into the country, crime pouring into the

country, no border wall, which everyone wants."

Two empty chairs were on either side of the president, with the names of Schumer and Pelosi.

Congress faces a Dec. 8 deadline to pass stop-gap legislation to keep the government open and faces a slew of other unfinished legislation, including hurricane aid and funding for children's health.

It was hoped the White House meeting might lay a foundation to keep the government running and set a path for a year-end spending package to give both the Pentagon and domestic agencies relief from a budget freeze. A host of delicate issues, including treatment of immigrants brought illegally to the U.S. as children, were on the table.

AIRPORT

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more than 100,000 passengers traveling through (the airport) each month from May through August," said airport executive director Parker McClellan. "We are thrilled to announced the return of non-stop and direct flight service to popular destinations and enhanced flight schedules to meet the demand we've come to expect from our local passengers and tourists throughout the summer months."

Non-stop flights travel to a destination in one trip, while direct flights make one or more stops but

don't require passengers to deplane.

The 2018 summer schedule begins June 6 and runs through Aug. 6 and will showcase 15 flights on Saturdays, nine flights on Sunday and seven weekday flights.

Last summer, Southwest Airlines offered direct flights only to Denver, but this year's schedule includes a new non-stop service to Denver and direct service from Denver here.

Also included in the new schedule is a direct Southwest flight to Las Vegas and a non-stop Southwest flight to Phoenix.

Dan Rowe, executive director of the Bay Tourist Development Council, said he is pleased with the new

schedule, and the TDC's marketing strategy will continue to focus on cities that have direct and non-stop service from here.

"Adding Denver to the mix, we will most likely do the same thing we've done in all those other markets," Rowe said. "When a new market comes online, we really focus a lot on our PR initiative and digital initiative. We're excited every time we've added a new city. The airport is continuing to grow and thrive."

McClellan said the new flights and summer schedule will be part of an upcoming marketing campaign.

"We're going to work with the local TDC and regional TDCs and with the airlines to promote

Panama City Beach and Gulf County and South Walton as a destination," McClellan said.

Philip "Griff" Griffiths, chairman of the TDC, said adding non-stop flights to large destinations can help bring in more visitors.

"We know where our market share is — kind of that funnel in Atlanta and everything funnels to us," Griffiths said. "So anything we can get farther to the west — whether it's the Austin flights or the Denver flights — I just think that adds to increasing our market share."

In the new schedule, some flights have been eliminated from last year, including a non-stop flight from Atlanta, but the non-stop flights to Atlanta remain.

Summer 2018 flights

The following flights will be offered in Northwest Florida Beaches International Airport's summer 2018 schedule:

Outbound non-stop flights:

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Incoming non-stop Southwest flights:

From Austin, Baltimore, Chicago, Dallas, Houston, Nashville and St. Louis

Direct outbound Southwest flights:

Albuquerque, Amarillo, Burbank, Cincinnati, Fort Lauderdale, Las Vegas, Midland, Oakland,

Oklahoma City, Omaha, Ontario, Pittsburgh, San Diego and Tampa. Eliminated from last year are the flights to Boston, Cleveland, Columbus, Corpus Christi, Los Angeles, Oakland, Orlando, Phoenix, Providence, San Jose, Seattle-Tacoma, Tulsa and Washington, D.C.

Direct incoming Southwest flights:

From Boston, Cleveland, Denver, Detroit, Kansas City, La Guardia, Memphis, Milwaukee, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Salt Lake City, San Antonio and San Diego. Destinations eliminated from last year include: Chicago, Corpus Christi, Kansas City, Los Angeles, Louisville, Minneapolis and Spokane.



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When asked what has changed in the electrical business throughout the years, Jerry states that, "Competition is definitely a factor today. There are many companies in the area that are competing for the same business, but our goal is to continue to have quality customer service and close customer relationships."

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NOT REAL NEWS

A look at what didn't happen this week

The Associated Press

A roundup of some of the most popular, but completely untrue, headlines of the week. None of these stories are legit, even though they were shared widely on social media. The Associated Press checked these out; here are the real facts:

NOT REAL: Second Roy Moore Accuser Works For Michelle Obama Right NOW

THE FACTS: The woman named as an accuser of Republican U.S. Senate candidate Roy Moore in a story by the Last Line of Defense doesn't work for Michelle Obama. In fact, it's unclear that she's a real person. The article claims a woman named Fiona Dourif told MSNBC's Rachel Maddow last week that she was groped by Moore in 1957. No one by that name appeared on Maddow's show. An actress with the same name called out the story on Twitter, saying she has nothing to do with Moore. The story is linked to a photo of former Alabama U.S. Attorney Joyce Vance. An Obama family representative told the AP the claim that the woman worked as a housekeeper for the Obamas is false.

NOT REAL: Trump Abruptly Shuts Down Dogs for Wounded Warriors Program, Leaving Vets High and Dry on Veterans Day!

THE FACTS: Officials

at Walter Reed National Medical Center in Bethesda, Maryland, did issue a stop work order to an animal therapy group contracted with the hospital, but it came on Oct. 27, more than two weeks before Veterans Day. The order to the Warrior Canine Project came from hospital officials, not the White House. Hospital spokeswoman Sandy Dean says it's looking to restructure its animal therapy contracts to improve patient care. She adds that therapy dogs continue to be available for patients at Walter Reed.

NOT REAL: British Intelligence Seizes Clinton Foundation Warehouse, \$400 Million In Cash

THE FACTS: Several websites have posted a story claiming the Clinton Foundation was leasing a British warehouse owned by a man on the UK's terrorist watch list, quoting an unnamed assistant to Chelsea Clinton stating that the facility was "rented through an agency." Foundation spokesman Brian Cookstra told the AP the story is "totally false." He added: "We don't rent a warehouse in the UK, the quote from 'Chelsea Clinton's assistant' is made up, and nothing in this story seems to be based in reality." A photo included with the story is a picture from Britain's The Sun newspaper that shows unrelated police activity in Kent, England.

NOT REAL: English actor Ian McKellen dies at age 78

THE FACTS: McKellen is alive and actively working despite a story from a website appearing to mimic Britain's Daily Mail reporting he died after a lengthy hospitalization for pneumonia. The story first published last year has recirculated in recent days. McKellen has starred in several projects on stage and screen this year alone, including the British sitcom "Vicious." The show's Twitter account posted a photo of McKellen and co-star Derek Jacobi Saturday with the note: "In case you were wondering, we're still alive."

NOT REAL: Iceland Mandates Mental Health Warnings On All Bibles

THE FACTS: No warnings are required to be put on Bibles sold in the island nation. A widely shared hoax story from the website Patheos offers a clue to the joke by naming the prime minister of the country as Andrew Canard. Canard is a seldom used word that means a fabricated report. The actual prime minister of Iceland is Bjarni Benediktsson.

This is part of The Associated Press' ongoing effort to fact-check misinformation that is shared widely online, including work with Facebook to identify and reduce the circulation of false stories on the platform.

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ceiling of 50,000 feet.

It can be armed with AGM-114 Hellfire missiles, GBU-12 Paveway II, and GBU-38 Joint Direct Attack Munitions.

Arias said the base is looking forward to serving with the MQ-9 airmen.

"We expect airmen will begin arriving to Tyndall as early as 2020. The first aircraft are expected to arrive at the new location in 2022," Arias said. "This will be a process. ... It'll be a few years until we meet those airmen."

Tyndall had been a front runner — along with nearby Eglin Air Force Base, Shaw Air Force Base in South Carolina and Vandenberg Air Force Base in California — to house the squadron, which is expected to include 24 of the aircraft.

"We selected Tyndall Air Force Base because it was the best location to meet the unique requirements of the MQ-9 Reaper" because of fewer aircraft competing for air space, nearby training ranges, great weather and lower up-front costs, Secretary of the Air Force Heather Wilson stated in a press release from Tyndall.

The selection also helps diversify opportunities for MQ-9 personnel by sending them to different bases, the release stated.

Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. David L. Goldfein said co-locating the wing with NORTHCOM's Air Operations Center and 1st Air Force, also housed at Tyndall, "will bring increased capability ... in addition to increasing lethality and giving our other combatant commanders the best trained operators possible."

"Remotely Piloted Aircraft and the

intelligence capabilities supporting them remain vital to our national security and the security of our allies," Goldfein said.

Dunn said the new wing is "huge" for Bay County and thanked Tom Neubauer, Glen McDonald and others with the Bay Defense Alliance, along with other military and civilian leaders.

Florida Sen. Bill Nelson, a senior member of the Senate Armed Services Committee, said the decision is "a big win not only for Panama City, but for the entire state of Florida."

The Air Force now must complete a legally required environmental analysis to "examine the potential impacts of bringing the Reaper to Tyndall" before making a final basing decision.

It is unknown when the analysis will begin, although Arias said it is a "lengthy process" that could take up to two years.

MQ-9 reaper fact sheet

The U.S. Air Force proposed the MQ-9 Reaper system in response to the Department of Defense directive to support initiatives of overseas contingency operations. It is larger and more powerful than the MQ-1 Predator, and is designed to execute time-sensitive targets with persistence and precision, and destroy or disable those targets.

The "M" is the DOD designation for multi-role, and "Q" means remotely piloted aircraft system.

The "9" indicates it is the ninth in the series of remotely piloted aircraft systems.

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Contractor: General Atomics Aeronautical Systems Inc.

Power plant: Honeywell TPE331-10GD turboprop engine

Thrust: 900 shaft horsepower maximum

Wingspan: 66 feet

Length: 36 feet

Height: 12.5 feet

Weight: 4,900 pounds empty

Maximum takeoff weight: 10,500 pounds

Fuel capacity: 4,000

pounds (602 gallons)

Payload: 3,750 pounds

Speed: cruise speed about 230 mph

Range: 1,150 miles (1,000 nautical miles)

Ceiling: Up to 50,000 feet

Armament: combination of AGM-114 Hellfire missiles, GBU-12 Paveway II and GBU-38 Joint Direct Attack Munitions

Crew (remote): two (pilot and sensor operator)

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Trump gets blowback for 'Pocahontas' jab at Navajo event

By Felicia Fonseca and Laurie Kellman
The Associated Press

FLAGSTAFF, Ariz. — Families of Native American war veterans and politicians of both major parties are criticizing President Donald Trump for using a White House event honoring Navajo Code Talkers to take a political jab at a Democratic senator he has nicknamed "Pocahontas."

The Republican president on Monday turned to a nickname he often deployed for Massachusetts Sen. Elizabeth Warren during the 2016 presidential campaign to mock her claims about being part Native American. He told the three Navajo Code Talkers on stage that he had affection for them that he doesn't have for her.

"It was uncalled for," said Marty Thompson, whose great-uncle was a Navajo Code Talker. "He can say what he wants when he's out doing his presidential business among his people, but when it comes to honoring veterans or any kind of people, he needs to grow up and quit saying things like that."

"Our nation owes a debt of gratitude to the Navajo Code Talkers, whose bravery, skill & tenacity helped secure our decisive victory over tyranny & oppression during WWII," Arizona Republican Sen. John

McCain, a decorated veteran of the Vietnam War, tweeted Tuesday. "Politicizing these genuine American heroes is an insult to their sacrifice."

Warren said Trump's repeated references to her as "Pocahontas" will not keep her from speaking out.

"Now he seems to think that that's somehow going to shut me up, maybe keep me from talking about the consumer agency today," Warren said Tuesday

after a protest outside the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau. "Or keep me from talking about the tax bill that would favor giant corporations instead of working families."

"He's wrong. It's not going to make any difference," Warren said.

All he "had to do was make it through the ceremony," she said. "But that wasn't possible for Donald Trump. He had to throw in a racial slur."

White House

spokeswoman Sarah Huckabee Sanders, asked Monday about criticism of Trump's remarks, said a racial slur "was certainly not the president's intent."

Trump made the comment as he stood near a portrait of President Andrew Jackson, which he hung in the Oval Office in January. Trump admires Jackson's populism. But Jackson is an unpopular figure in Indian Country because he oversaw the forced

removal of American Indians from their southern homelands.

The Navajo Nation suggested Trump's remark was an example of "cultural insensitivity," and they resolved to stay out of the "ongoing feud between the senator and President Trump."

"All tribal nations still battle insensitive references to our people. The prejudice that Native American people face is an unfortunate historical legacy," Navajo Nation

President Russell Begaye said in a statement.

Still, Begaye and relatives of Navajo Code Talkers said they're honored the story of the men recruited from the vast Southwest reservation to become Marines could be told on a national stage.

Peter MacDonald, a former Navajo chairman and trained Code Talker, who stood beside Trump, also took the opportunity to ask for support for a Navajo Code Talker museum. Trump obliged.



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Jay-Z leads Grammy noms with 8 as rap, R&B take center stage

By Mesfin Fekadu
The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Jay-Z is the leader of the 2018 Grammy Award nominations in a year where the top four categories are heavily dominated by rap and R&B artists, giving the often overlooked genres a strong chance of winning big.

The Recording Academy announced Tuesday that Jay-Z is nominated for eight honors, including album, song, and record of the year. Bruno Mars is also nominated for the big three, while Kendrick Lamar — who earned seven nominations — and Childish Gambino are also up for major awards.

Jay-Z's personal and revealing album, "4:44," is nominated for album of the year alongside Mars' 90s-inspired R&B adventure "24K Magic," Lamar's hard-hitting rap masterpiece "DAMN.," Gambino's funk-soul project "Awaken My Love!" and Lorde's critically acclaimed pop album, "Melodrama."

Record of the year nominees include Jay-Z's "The Story of O.J.," a song about blackness and managing money that also references O.J. Simpson; Mars' Top 5 hit, "24K Magic"; Lamar's No. 1 smash, "Humble"; Gambino's "Redbone," which peaked at No. 12 on the Hot 100; and the year's biggest hit, "Despacito," by Luis Fonsi, Daddy Yankee and Justin Bieber.

"Despacito" is also nominated for song of the year — a songwriter's award — along with Mars' No. 1 hit, "That's What I Like"; the title track from Jay-Z's "4:44"; rapper Logic's suicide prevention anthem, "1-800-273-8255"; and "Issues" by Julia Michaels, the singer who has written hits for Bieber, Selena Gomez



Jay-Z performs at the Austin City Limits Music Festival on Oct. 13 in Austin, Texas. The rapper was nominated for eight Grammy nominations on Tuesday. The 60th Annual Grammy Awards will air on CBS on Sunday, Jan. 28, 2018 in New York.

[AMY HARRIS/INVISION/ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE PHOTO]

and other pop stars.

Michaels is also nominated for best new artist, where R&B and rap rule again: Her competition includes singers SZA, Khalid and Alessia Cara, as well as rapper Lil Uzi Vert.

No rock or country acts were nominated in the top four categories. The rap- and R&B-heavy nominations, which include numerous black and Latino artists, come after the Grammys were criticized earlier this year when some felt Beyonce's multi-genre "Lemonade" album should have won album of the year over Adele's "25." Adele also expressed that Beyonce should have received the prize.

The win for Adele, though, marked another year when the Grammys awarded its biggest prizes to an artist outside of the rap or R&B genre. Kanye West, Eminem, Mariah Carey and others have also lost in the top categories over the years to pop, rock and country acts despite owning the year in music, critically and commercially.

"We have a current membership that is savvy and certainly timely, is current, and reflective of what music is about

today and in the future. And clearly the diversification work that we've done for our membership is evident in all of the nominations this year," Neil Portnow, the academy's president and CEO, said in an interview. "I think it's a testimony to our hard work and intention of having a very vibrant, current, relevant, diverse voting membership."

Jay-Z or Lamar could make history next year when the Grammys take place in New York City on Jan. 28, 2018: Either album could become only the third rap-based album to win album of the year; and either song could become the first in the rap genre to win record or song of the year.

"4:44," which includes songs about Jay-Z's relationship with Beyonce and family life, marks the rap icon's first nomination for album of the year as a lead artist; it is Lamar's third in the top category.

Lamar will compete with Jay-Z in all seven categories he is nominated in, including best rap album, best rap song, best rap performance, best rap sung performance and best music video.

Syrian opposition, UN open talks in Geneva, await government

The Associated Press

GENEVA — The eighth round of Syria peace talks got under way on Tuesday with a revamped and expanded opposition team meeting with the U.N. envoy in Geneva, but President Bashar Assad's government was conspicuously absent and Russia bemoaned back-channel diplomacy among key world powers.

The government in Damascus said its team would show up today.

The meeting marks the latest and perhaps most-promising attempt by U.N. Syria envoy Staffan de Mistura to jolt new life into the so-far largely ineffective U.N.-mediated talks. The Syrian civil war, now in its seventh year, has left more than 400,000 dead, driven at least 11 million people from their homes, and turned into a proxy war for regional and world powers.

Speaking after he briefed key envoys from the five U.N. Security Council member countries behind closed doors, de Mistura confirmed to The Associated Press that the Syrian government had agreed to come today — after Damascus had reportedly delayed its initial participation.

The pro-government newspaper Al-Watan on Monday reported that Damascus would postpone its arrival, citing the opposition's position that Assad must leave at the start of any political transition — something that is sought under a key U.N. Security Council resolution underpinning the Geneva talks.

De Mistura justified the discreet "P5" meeting by saying it was needed to keep Britain, China, France, Russia and the United States informed about his agenda and reinforce the U.N.-mediated peace process, which has come under a



UN Special Envoy of the Secretary General for Syria Staffan de Mistura briefs the media after his meeting with Head of the Syrian Negotiation Commission, SNC, during the Intra Syria talks in Geneva, Switzerland, on Tuesday. [SALVATORE DI NOLFI/KEYSTONE]

challenge from a separate, Russian initiative.

"Now we need to go into business," de Mistura said. "We need P5 support because the two delegations obviously listen to members of the P5."

The meeting included Brett McGurk, the U.S. envoy for the battle against the Islamic State group, and French Foreign Ministry political and security affairs director Nicolas de Riviere — among the highest-level Western envoys on hand so far during Geneva talks.

Russia's ambassador in Geneva, Alexey Borodavkin, was less positive about the back-channel briefing. He said Russia appreciated the "opportunity," but "at the same time, we have some doubts about this kind of format, and do not consider it an established one."

Moscow has sought to take the lead in resolving Syria's conflict by organizing parallel talks between the two sides in the Black Sea resort of Sochi. But those efforts have sputtered as Western powers and de Mistura insist Geneva must remain the primary track for any negotiations.

The Syrian government, with pivotal military support from by Russian and

Iranian forces, has made key gains on the ground during the past year.

One of the major questions is whether Assad's envoys finally will sit down face-to-face with the opposition and negotiate.

The unexplained tardiness of Assad's delegation in Geneva appeared to reflect the government's displeasure with the opposition's insistence that Assad must step down at the start of an eventual transitional period in Syria. The opposition says it has no preconditions to the talks, but at the same time says its goal remains to push the longtime leader aside.

As in previous rounds of the U.N.-sponsored talks, discussing Assad's future likely will be the main obstacle to any progress in Geneva. Damascus has refused to negotiate Assad's future with the opposition and says it wants instead to focus on defeating "terrorism" — the government's byword for armed opponents of the Syrian president.

The chief of the opposition's delegation, Nasr Hariri, told reporters Monday that the opposition was "ready to negotiate," and accused the government of stalling.

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RE: Federal Fiscal (FFY) Year 2017/2018 Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5307 Grant Application - Program of Projects and Public Hearing

Notice is hereby given that the Bay County Transportation Planning Organization is applying to the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) for a Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula Grant providing capital and operating assistance to the public transportation system operated as Bay Area Transportation/Bay Town Trolley for FFY 2017/2018. Bay Area Transportation provides demand response service throughout Bay County and Bay Town Trolley operates a fixed-route system with deviation in portions of the urbanized area.

Program of Projects

A Program of Projects has been developed in accordance with the FFY 2017/2018 Bay County Transportation Planning Organization's (TPO) Transportation Improvement Program. This Program of Projects includes capital and operating support of the current, coordinated demand response and fixed-route service. The Program Budget for this grant application follows:

Item	Federal	State/Local	Total
Operating Assistance	\$700,000	\$700,000	\$1,400,000
Preventive Maintenance	\$350,000	0	\$350,000
Project Administration	\$375,000	0	\$375,000
Program Support Admin	\$155,000	0	\$155,000
Stop Compliance - ADA	\$100,000	0	\$100,000
Security and Misc. Equipment	\$174,500	0	\$174,500
Bus-Rolling Stock	\$47,200	0	\$47,200
Hardware/Software/Misc.	\$103,300	0	\$103,300
Rehab/Renov-Admin Facility	\$80,000	0	\$80,000
COA	\$175,000	0	\$175,000
Total	\$2,260,000	\$700,000	\$2,960,000

Toll Revenue credits are the match for capital funds. Operating assistance is matched with State and Local funds. No person, families or businesses will be displaced by this project. This proposed project will not have significant environmental impact upon the service area. Individuals who are transportation disadvantaged, including the elderly and the handicapped, are eligible for reduced fares on the deviated, fixed-route system. The Bay County TPO prohibits discrimination against any person in recruitment, examination, appointment, training, promotion, retention or any other personnel action because of political or religious opinions or affiliations or because of race, color, national origin, sex, age, handicap, marital status, or other non-merit factor.

PUBLIC HEARING

A public hearing authorizing grant submittal will take place at the regular meeting of the Bay County Transportation Planning Organization to be held on **December 6, 2017 at 3:30 p.m. CST** in the Commission Chambers at the Bay County Government Center, 840 W. 11th Street, Panama City, FL. Public comments will be taken at that time. If there are no changes to the Program of Projects as a result of the Hearing, the projects herein advertised will become the Final Program of Projects.

The Bay County TPO adheres to the Americans with Disabilities Act and will make reasonable modifications for access to this meeting on request. Requests must be made at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting in order to allow time to provide the requested services. For additional information, comments or requests, please contact Angela Bradley, Bay County Board of County Commissioners, at 850-248-8161 or abradley@baycountypfl.gov.

BUSINESS

MARKET WATCH

Dow	23,836.71	▲ 255.93
Nasdaq	6,912.36	▲ 33.84
S&P	2,627.04	▲ 25.62
Russell	1,536.43	▲ 23.12
NYSE	12,520.23	▲ 129.45

COMMODITIES REVIEW

Gold	1,294.700	▲ 0.90
Silver	16.811	▼ .198
Platinum	952.80	▲ 2.00
Copper	3.0705	▼ .0620
Oil	57.99	▼ 0.12

MARKET MOVERS

• **Buffalo Wild Wings Inc.:** Up \$9.20 to \$155.60 — The restaurant chain agreed to be acquired by Arby's Restaurant Group for \$157 a share, or \$2.4 billion.

• **Emerson Electric Co.:** Up \$2.27 to \$64.15 — The company withdrew its offer for Rockwell Automation, which rejected several bids from Emerson.

THE DOW 30

COMPANY	CLOSE	CHG
3M	\$235.63	+1.63
Am. Express	\$95.28	+1.81
Apple	\$173.07	-1.02
Boeing	\$267.99	+2.41
Caterpillar	\$138.99	+1.80
Chevron	\$116.45	+0.86
Cisco	\$37.73	+0.86
Coca-Cola	\$45.83	-0.07
DowDuPont	\$71.09	+0.96
Exxon	\$81.67	+0.56
Gen. Electric	\$18.41	+0.29
Goldman Sachs	\$239.41	+4.30
Home Depot	\$176.57	+2.41
Intel	\$44.73	+0.24
IBM	\$152.47	+0.49
J&J	\$140.02	+1.92
JP Morgan	\$101.36	+3.43
McDonald's	\$171.34	+2.38
Merck	\$54.93	+0.38
Microsoft	\$84.88	+1.01
Nike	\$59.58	-0.05
Pfizer	\$35.85	+0.36
Proc. & Gamble	\$89.40	+0.44
Travelers	\$133.01	+2.53
United Tech.	\$117.71	+0.59
Verizon	\$48.82	+1.16
Walmart	\$96.77	+0.15
Walt Disney	\$103.41	+0.62
United Health	\$216.14	+3.74
Visa	\$113.36	+0.98

STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST

COMPANY	CLOSE	CHG
At&T	\$35.42	+0.74
Darden Rests	\$83.06	+2.78
Gen Dynamics	\$204.19	+3.12
Hanger Inc	\$13.40	-0.05
Hancock Hldg	\$50.65	+1.80
Home Bancs	\$23.13	+0.81
Itt Corp	\$53.52	+1.13
The St Joe	\$18.75	-0.30
Kbr Inc	\$18.97	+0.72
L-3 Comms	\$194.77	+1.97
Oceaneering	\$18.91	+0.12
Regions	\$16.00	+0.48
Sallie Mae	\$10.89	+0.40
Southern	\$51.49	-0.07
Suntrust	\$59.44	+2.10
Westrock	\$59.28	+0.59
Ingersoll-Rand	\$86.65	+1.92
Engility Holds	\$28.91	+0.53

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U.S. \$1.00 = British Pound	0.75

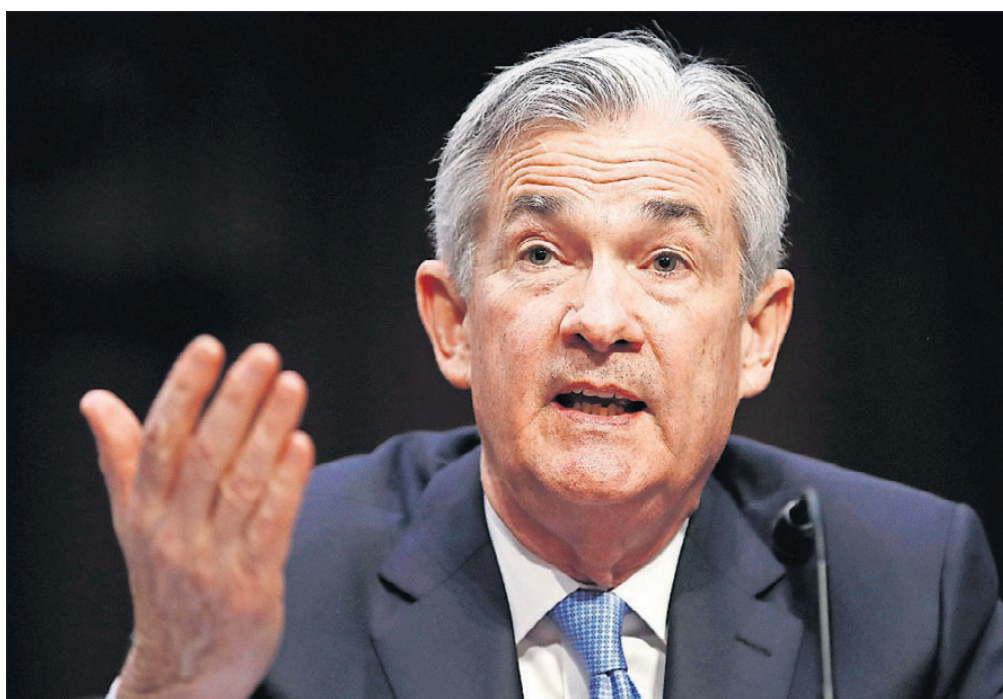
WASHINGTON US consumer confidence rises; highest since 2000

American consumers are feeling confident as the holiday season approaches.

The Conference Board said Tuesday that its consumer confidence index hit 129.5 this month, up from 126.2 in October and highest since November 2000.

The business research group's index measures consumers' assessment of current conditions and their outlook for the next six months. Both improved this month.

The Associated Press



Jerome Powell, President Donald Trump's nominee for chairman of the Federal Reserve, testifies Tuesday during a Senate Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs Committee confirmation hearing on Capitol Hill in Washington. [CAROLYN KASTER/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS]

Powell favors loosening some bank regulations

By Martin Crutsinger
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Jerome Powell, President Donald Trump's pick to be chairman of the Federal Reserve, told senators at his confirmation hearing Tuesday that he believes some bank regulations can be rolled back — something the administration and Wall Street favor. But he stressed that he will protect the central bank's political independence, calling it vital for the Fed's role.

Powell also strongly hinted in his appearance before the Senate Banking Committee that the Fed would hike rates again in December.

Powell said he believed that the Dodd-Frank Act, passed in the wake of the devastating 2008 financial crisis, had succeeded in making the financial system stronger, including ensuring that no major institution now is too big to fail.

But in some areas such as regulation of smaller banks, the law had imposed unnecessary burdens that should be eased, he said.

Powell's comments

pleased many GOP senators, who have complained for years that Dodd-Frank was hurting the economic recovery by making it harder to get bank loans. Democratic senators, however, pressed Powell to say whether he would cut key consumer protections in the 2010 law, a measure that Trump often attacked on the campaign trail as a disaster.

Powell stressed that he was "strongly committed" to the political independence of the Federal Reserve. He said he has not had any conversation with anyone in the administration that concerned him.

During two hours of testimony, Powell sought to convey a sense of stability and praised his predecessors Janet Yellen and Ben Bernanke. He said that the Fed would continue on a gradual path of raising interest rates and shrinking the Fed's massive \$4.5 trillion balance sheet, which grew five-fold in the wake of the Great Recession as the Fed bought government bonds to push long-term interest rates lower.

Powell said he expected

the balance sheet to shrink to around \$2.5 trillion to \$3 trillion over the next three to four years under a program set in motion by Yellen.

On interest rates, Powell said, "I think the case for raising interest rates at our next meeting is coming together."

When pressed for specifics on a December rate hike, Powell deferred, citing Fed policy not to talk about possible outcomes before officials gathered and heard all views.

Trump tapped Powell on Nov. 2 to succeed Yellen, the first woman to head the nation's central bank and the first Fed leader in four decades not to be offered a second term as chair. Yellen's term ends on Feb. 3. She said last week she will leave the Fed once Powell is confirmed by the Senate.

Private economists said there were no surprises in Powell's testimony. He sought to bolster the reputation he built in his five years as a Fed board member as a centrist in pursuit of the Fed's dual goals of promoting maximum employment and stable prices.

Banks push gains for stocks, more record highs

By Alex Veiga
The Associated Press

Banks led a broad rally in U.S. stocks Tuesday, lifting the market to a milestone-shattering finish.

Gains by industrial stocks, retailers and health care companies also helped drive the major stock indexes to record highs.

Investors were encouraged by news that a Senate committee cleared the way for a tax reform bill to go before the full Senate. Financial stocks also got a boost from Federal Reserve chair nominee Jerome Powell, who told another Senate committee that the Fed would consider easing up on bank regulations.

Encouraging economic data and the latest batch of company earnings and deal news also helped drive the rally, which gave the Standard & Poor's 500 index its best day since Sept. 11.

"When you're in a market where you're at new highs with the averages, in theory, nobody has losses," said Mark Chaikin, founder of Chaikin Analytics. "Given seasonal patterns, I expect that we'll see the market strong into year-end."

The S&P 500 index rose 25.62 points, or 1 percent, to 2,627.04. The Dow Jones industrial average gained 255.93 points, or 1.1 percent, to 23,836.71. The Nasdaq composite added 33.84 points, or 0.5 percent, to 6,912.36. The Russell 2000 index of smaller-company stocks picked up 23.12 points, or 1.5 percent, to 1,536.43.

Gainers outnumbered decliners more than 2 to 1 on the New York Stock Exchange.

Early on, investors had their eye on Washington, where the Senate Budget Committee weighed the chamber's version of a sweeping tax bill. The committee voted 12-11 to pass the Republican tax plan late Tuesday afternoon. The sweeping measure, which would lower corporate tax rates, now advances to the full Senate. GOP leaders hope to have the Senate take it up later this week.

ARBOR OUTLOOK

Harry Caray, Brad Pitt and undervalued investments



Margaret McDowell

"Hello again, everybody. It's a bee-you-tee-ful day for baseball!"

Beloved Chicago Cubs broadcaster Harry Caray

A few weeks ago I attended an investment conference in my hometown of Chicago. Two of the featured speakers were bestselling author Michael Lewis and Chicago Cubs President of Baseball Operations Theo Epstein. That both were speakers at the same conference is ironic.

Lewis' "Moneyball" tells the story of how the Oakland A's competed with deep-pocketed, "big market" teams by relying more heavily on data than the naked eye to evaluate

players. And, most importantly, buying the contracts of those players for less than their true worth.

While I have not read "Moneyball," I did enjoy the movie starring Brad Pitt and Jonah Hill. At the end of the movie, A's General Manager Billy Beane (played by Pitt) declines an offer to take over the Boston Red Sox as the highest paid GM ever in baseball.

Instead, the Sox hired a relatively unknown 28-year-old wunderkind named Theo Epstein. Epstein, employing many of Oakland's and Beane's tactics, helped the Red Sox win the World Series and break the "Curse of the Bambino." More recently, he built the Chicago Cubs team that won the World Series a year ago and ended another curse and title drought. (Go Cubs!)

While Lewis and Epstein drew many parallels between baseball and investing, one in particular struck a chord: the best investments often are ones

most people overlook. Lewis said he decided to write "Moneyball" after he walked through the A's locker room and saw guys that "just didn't look like baseball players." They weren't Greek gods, but they knew how to get on base and score runs, which Billy Beane had learned was the most important factor in winning games.

Investments, like baseball players, get overlooked for all kinds of reasons, and as a result, some might be vastly undervalued. Folks might similarly undervalue a company or in baseball, a catcher whom they view as over the hill, even if he's still incredibly productive. On the flip side, an exciting startup might have all the promise of a young budding prospect, but might never figure out how to get the job done and therefore would be overvalued. In short, the investing parallel is to sell the glamour players and buy the ugly ducklings who know how to win.

Companies that produce

boring products rather than exciting ones tend to be systematically undervalued. Similarly, companies that have smaller shareholder bases often are less highly valued than companies with millions of shareholders. A company that was spun off from a parent or a business coming out of a restructuring might appear to be riskier than they really are. And therefore be undervalued by the market.

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VIEWPOINTS

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A helping hand to Puerto Rico

Bay County residents ducked and dodged and emerged relatively unscathed from a hurricane season that lashed out wildly at our unluckier counties to the east and south.

Schools closed for a couple of days, there was some rain and unnecessary supplies purchased, but we remember Opal and know it could've been worse.

As in Puerto Rico and U.S. Virgin Islands worse.

Those American territories in the Caribbean were devastated by a one-two punch of Hurricanes Irma and Maria less than a month apart. Millions were left without shelter, water, and electricity. The Daytona Beach News-Journal's Seth Robbins and Lola Gomez recently traveled to Puerto Rico, and in a series of stories, photo galleries and videos they chronicled the staggering damage and herculean recovery efforts — particularly the human costs of both extreme weather and extreme poverty.

Fisherman Jose Rivera said he watched the storm winds rip away the tops of palm trees, the fronds resembling helicopter blades spinning across the sky. He recounted the terrifying experience of seeing a wave of chocolate-colored water pour through the crevice between a door of his home and the floor; within 15 minutes, the water had reached his stomach.

Raging waters washed away huge chunks of road, hampering relief efforts to the island's rural areas. Two months after Maria, families are still housed in schools that have been converted into shelters.

One family received FEMA money to rent a new home, but they had no beds to sleep in — their waterlogged mattresses were deteriorating in the wreckage of their house.

Irma "uncovered the country's poverty," said Augusto Lopez Serrano, whose cousin Zenaida Denizac is a former city commissioner and schoolteacher in Deltona. Even before the storm, life for many was a struggle: More than 40 percent of Puerto Ricans live in poverty. After the storm, the majority of relief resources went to the capital of San Juan and other cities while the impoverished rural areas, whose residents had lost what little they had, waited. Getting them food was a challenge, but that proved to be the easy part.

Restoring power to the entire island will take many more months, condemning many Puerto Ricans to a primitive existence for the foreseeable future.

For purely humanitarian reasons, these people deserve aid and compassion. But the United States can and must do more, as Puerto Ricans are Americans by birth. And not only are they U.S. citizens, but many have direct links to the mainland — especially in Central Florida.

Many local organizations and families have organized relief packages to help with the recovery.

The nation must be willing and able to absorb Puerto Ricans fleeing their devastated island for security and a brighter future. Be thankful that our post-hurricane problems were mostly limited to annoying winds and erosion. Be welcoming of our fellow Americans seeking refuge from overwhelming devastation.

ANOTHER VIEW

BY THE COLUMBUS DISPATCH
COLUMBUSDISPATCH.COM



"IT WAS A KILLER BLACK FRIDAY DEAL! ... PLUS, WE HADN'T BOUGHT FOR GRANDMA YET."

Why are Republicans in such a rush to pass tax reform? To outrun the truth



Catherine Rampell

There are lots of pressing issues Congress could be focusing on right now.

Lawmakers could work on reauthorizing the Children's Health Insurance Program, which expired Sept. 30, leaving the 9 million kids who depend on it in limbo.

Or maybe they could find a solution for so-called "dreamers," the undocumented immigrants brought here as children, who will lose their protected status soon unless Congress acts.

Instead, Republican senators have a different priority: jamming through their plutocratic, sloppy tax overhaul as quickly as possible. By "as quickly as possible," I mean as soon as this week, which would be a mere month after the first draft of the GOP tax bill was introduced in the House.

Why the haste? Republican lawmakers need to pass this terrible bill before voters — and indeed lawmakers themselves — have a chance to learn what's in it.

"It's an ostrich approach to tax policy," says Steven Rosenthal, a senior fellow at the nonpartisan Tax Policy Center.

Republicans don't want to learn what their own bill

will cost, for instance.

For years, Republicans promised that their tax cuts would pay for themselves, once you accounted for all the economic growth they'd unleash. But now the Senate is racing to vote before those scorekeepers have a chance to evaluate their claim about the bill's cost (or lack thereof, supposedly).

This is surely no accident. Outside groups, including one favorable to the tax overhaul, have already done their own analyses. So far none has found that the bill generates enough growth to pay for itself.

Republican leaders keep claiming the bill focuses on helping the middle class. But voters are already catching on to the fact that the biggest tax cuts go to the wealthiest. Lately the public has learned that the Senate bill will actually raise taxes for households making less than \$75,000 by 2027, relative to current law.

The more time that passes, the angrier these voters will get, and the more pressure they'll presumably place on elected officials to either change or oppose the legislation.

Unfortunately, rushing this bill through means that in addition to all the deliberate goodies and giveaways to the rich, there will be lots of unintended goodies and giveaways.

One apparent hiccup in the bill, for example, offers an even bigger giveaway than Republicans had intended to multinational corporations enjoying

the repatriation tax holiday.

Or consider the so-called "guardrails" intended to prevent workers from self-incorporating and taking advantage of the new preferential rate on pass-through income. Those remain extremely easy to game.

Meanwhile, some pass-through businesses will (oops) face marginal tax rates of 70 percent. Under normal circumstances, a tax rate this high would send Republican policymakers running for the hills.

There are other foreseeable problems, too.

The bill may violate World Trade Organization rules, for example. And the shift to a territorial taxation system would also likely encourage companies to shift more, not less, of their operations abroad.

The interaction of some other provisions would encourage taxpayers to make investments that they know would lose money, as New York University School of Law professor Daniel Shavero has pointed out.

Those are just some of the problems that tax experts have identified so far. Surely more will come out in the weeks and months ahead, as clever accountants and tax attorneys identify new ways to take advantage of slapdash legislative language.

If Republicans were smart, they'd give themselves sufficient time to properly vet and craft this legislation. Apparently, they'd prefer to keep their heads in the sand.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Unsocial behavior on social media

I'm beginning to question the benefit to society of social media.

In my own experience, the various platforms don't seem to bring out the best behavior in people. It's too easy to make taunting, unqualified, "drive by" remarks to people, that are irresponsible.

They call it "social media", but there seems to be too much "socializing" as it is. From embarrassing posts on Facebook, drunken tweets on Twitter, even drunken phone calls ... you name it!

A young sophisticate I knew in New York used to complain that his parents were forcing him to "socialize" with people who knew the family. My father was a quiet man. He used to talk about "paying

his respects", sometimes, when he had to show up somewhere. Loneliness can be painful, for some people, but why would you want to compromise yourself so much just to be with others?

Another friend once questioned the wisdom of using things "just because you have them and they're close at hand".

I can think of more beautiful ways of expression than an ugly comment on social media.

Tom Heil
Panama City Beach

Manson a manipulator

Thank goodness Charles Manson has moved on.

The taxpayers paid for 50 years of jail for of a manipulator.

I believe the average

amount to keep one person in prison is \$50,000 and up. Now if my salary is average \$10,000 a year, I could commit a crime and be cared for by your tax dollars.

Years ago I met the chef of a state prison in Tallahassee. He showed me the menu, there was not only a pre-breakfast snack, eggs, bacon, etc. but a 10 a.m. snack, a big lunch, a 2 p.m. snack, pre-dinner snack and even steak for dinner.

I looked at chef and said we are lucky if we grab a doughnut or bowl of cereal before going out the door for work. Does the public know? No!

So, other than keeping lawyers salaries going, we are really being taxed by individuals that are clever to find a way to be cared for.

C. Shippey
Panama City

SQUALL LINE

Won zero dollars on the lotto. I will reinvest those zero dollars in hope I will win big. If I win you'll be amazed as will I. How do you win without spending any money?

What happens to roadkill? One thing for sure it will not touched by me let alone eaten. I would rather let the other animals in the forest benefit from it.

Eat, drink, put on makeup, comb hair and text before DRIVING for Gods sake! Those people are a menace to society! The punishment is NOT harsh enough that's if some are even stopped!! If it were those people would stop doing it! Enough of these selfish idiots.

Cooler weather is nice after the intense heat of the summer. However, I am not ready to deal with the big freeze. Can't have pipes bursting left and right. Ah, but I could carve an ice sculpture if the water freezes.

Laser Xmas lights in. String lights out. Up and a down the ladder like a fiddlers elbow is far too much for me these days. Might be late to the party on that idea but hey, I am here now.



Eric, 10, jumps in front of his family — Mom Sofia, Dad Dashaan and siblings Necia, Erica, Zavian, Dava, Keyon and Gentry — on a trampoline July 12 at their home in Jackson County. The family will be featured on the “Today” show next week.

[PATTI BLAKE/NEWS HERALD FILE PHOTO]

SHOW

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Crews filmed Monday and Tuesday, and Olds said he expects the segment to air some time next week.

“It’s exciting,” he said. “It was fun.”

Olds said he got the call about the segment two weeks ago, in between classes.

He almost didn’t pick up the phone, he said, as the number was out of Miami and he “thought it was someone trying to sell me a cruise.”

Instead of a

telemarketer, Olds spoke with producers from “Today,” who wanted to come out and film a short segment. But when they found out he was a teacher and coach, they wanted to spend more time in town and film him teaching. At home, Olds said the family sat around, had dinner and did homework, their usual nightly routine, and while some of the smaller children were nervous at first, the older siblings “were just being themselves.”

For the Olds family, the national exposure has been “shocking,” especially because they were “just doing what we were called to do.”

“I think we’re just

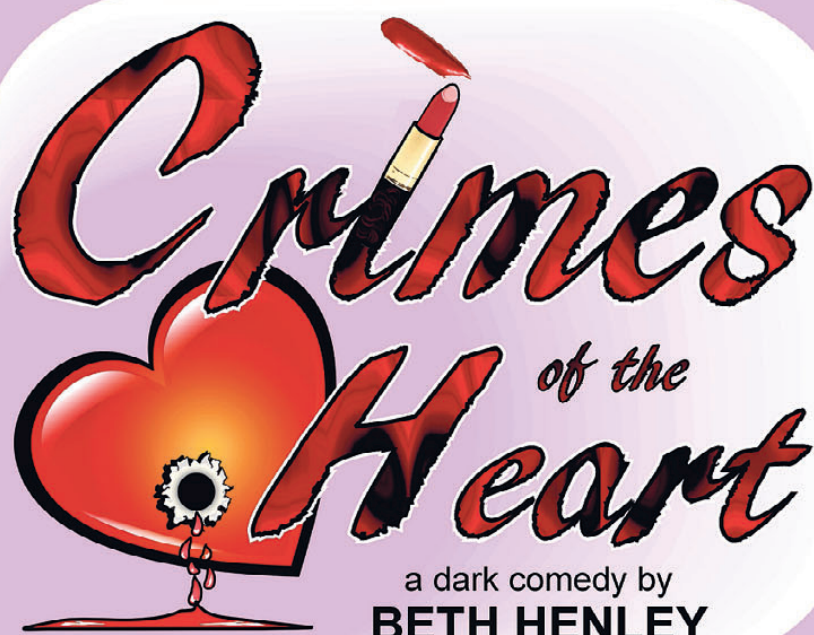
ordinary people,” Olds said. “It’s amazing that something we would do anyway would grab their attention.”

The siblings, who were officially adopted in September, all have received academic scholarships from Chipola College, Gulf Coast State College and Florida State University Panama City. Olds said he hopes his story will help inspire others to become foster parents, consider adopting, or even volunteer at a children’s shelter.

“I hope it motivates more adults to do something,” he said. “Not necessarily adopt but do something to change a child’s life.”

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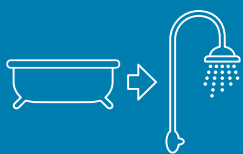
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Arnold evacuated after bomb threat

Breakfast Point Academy also placed on lockdown

By Zack McDonald
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PANAMA CITY BEACH — Parents and students at Arnold High School had a scare Tuesday as threats of multiple bombs on the campus and a planned assault on students led to a temporary lockdown.

Law enforcement and school officials put Arnold High, 550 Alf Coleman Road, on lockdown about 12:30 p.m. after a still unidentified person called in the

threat. Hundreds of students were evacuated to the nearby stadium as the bomb squad scoured the campus. After more than an hour with nearby Breakfast Point Academy also on lockdown, authorities determined the threat was unfounded and gave an all clear for students to return to class and parents to pick up their children.

No arrests have been announced, but the Panama City Beach Police Department has released audio of the threat from the 911 call.

"I left some bombs at my high school, and they are going to blow up in 15 minutes," the caller, who sounds like a male, said. "There's

more than one. I kind of distributed them around the campus and they're going to blow up in a few minutes."

The caller then claims the bombs are made out of dynamite because his father works with dynamite. He also says he and a group of friends are armed on the campus and intend to go after fellow students.

"I'm upset with some people," the caller states. "They got me mad so now they're going to pay for it."

As the caller hung up, officials began to evacuate students and numerous officers descended on the campus

See **ARNOLD, B6**



Parents wait for their children to be released from Arnold High School and Breakfast Point Academy after a bomb threat was called in to Arnold about 12:30 p.m. Tuesday. Arnold was evacuated, and Breakfast Point was placed on lockdown.

[ZACK McDONALD/THE NEWS HERALD]



A motorist drives past heavy construction equipment on Tuesday on Jenks Avenue in Panama City. The City Commission said Tuesday it might sue AT&T for damages over lengthy delays to the project.

[PATTI BLAKE/THE NEWS HERALD]

County to mark World AIDS Day Friday

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PANAMA CITY — Basic NWFL and other groups are currently treating over 400 active HIV/AIDS cases in Bay County. In Basic's six-county coverage region, that case load jumps to about 900.

To combat the disease, Basic and St. Andrew's Episcopal Church have teamed up to host a World AIDS Day program, scheduled for Friday.

"It's a time for everyone to remember this epidemic is far from over," said Valerie Mincey, the organization's president. "[The event] gives families and friends support because you don't get over losing someone."

World AIDS Day is observed every year on Dec. 1 for people across the globe to unite in the war against HIV. An estimated 36.7 million people across the world have the virus, and over 35 million have died of HIV or AIDS, making it one of the deadliest pandemics in history, according to the World AIDS Day website.

Friday's ceremony will include a candlelight vigil, music, a reception and words from guest speaker the Rev. Dr. Christopher M. Hamlin, a chaplain and education specialist at the University of Alabama at Birmingham's

See **AIDS, B6**

7 numbers to know from the P.C. Commission

\$403,225.39

The city approved an almost half-million-dollar change order for the Jenks Avenue widening project, bringing the cost of the project up to just more than \$5.86 million. The cost was run up by delays caused by the inability of the contractor, GAC, to construct a 60-inch storm pipe at the south end of the project because of conflicts with AT&T facilities. The commission is planning an executive session during its

Dec. 12 meeting to talk about suing AT&T for damages, a measure Commissioner Billy Rader said "needs to be done."

40 feet

Whether buildings should have a height allowance of 100 feet or a much more modest 40 feet was the main topic of discussion about a zoning map change for the St. Andrews Downtown District. The commission approved a

change that would allow for 100 feet but told resident Clay Bazzel, who came to the meeting prepared with a hand-signed petition of neighbors asking for the lower height allowance, not to worry. By February, the planning department is expected to present revised land development regulations that would create a height allowance of 40 feet for buildings adjacent to property zoned residential one, making Tuesday's approval a moot point.

1306 Beck Ave.

The city is planning to buy the lot adjacent to Los Antojitos for \$500,000 to turn it into a parking lot to address the shortage of spaces in the St. Andrews neighborhood. One difference between this parking lot and others, Commissioner Mike Nichols said to expect it to be a paid lot and that as neighborhood businesses grow, they will be expected buy into it so the city is reimbursed.

See **NUMBERS, B2**

By Katie Landeck
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From construction projects to building height allowances to an interlocal agreement between the city and Bay District Schools, Tuesday's Panama City Commission meeting was all about the numbers. Here are the ones to know.

Lynn Haven parade features 'a little bit of everyone'

Santa and Mrs. Claus ride a motorcycle in the 2016 Lynn Haven Christmas Parade. This year's parade starts at 10 a.m. Saturday at A.L. Kinsaul Park. [NEWS HERALD FILE PHOTO]



By Collin Breaux
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LYNN HAVEN — The Christmas spirit is spreading early in Lynn Haven, where a tree lighting and parade are on tap this weekend.

The Christmas parade, hosted by the City of Lynn Haven, will take place Saturday morning. The parade will start at Kinsaul Park at 10 a.m., proceed down Florida Avenue and finish at the end of the street.

City Manager Michael White said there will be about 30 floats from

different civic groups and other organizations, including car clubs, and the parade is expected to last about an hour and a half. Local school bands also will march and play.

The parade will close Florida Avenue from Fifth to 10th Streets from 7 a.m. to noon.

"There'll be floats. We'll have bands," White said. "We'll have a little bit of everyone."

On the parade's eve, Lynn Haven will host a Christmas tree lighting starting at 5:30 p.m. Friday at Sheffield Park.

See **PARADE, B6**



HURRICANE MARIA | B3

FAILED MISERABLY

Florida company never delivered emergency tarps and plastic sheeting to devastated Puerto Rico

NUMBERS

Continued from B1

35 percent

The city is close to signing an interlocal agreement with Bay District Schools to allow

people to use the Cherry Street School playground after hours. The agreement has been in the works for years, and Jeff Brown said Tuesday the groups will need two more weeks to “fine tune” the agreement. The main thing holding it up is a provision saying the city will pay 35 percent of

the maintenance costs. If approved, the agreement will be a pilot some hope to expand to other schools.

11 months

Work on the St. Andrews Wastewater Treatment facility is 48 percent complete with \$13.7 million

spent 11 months into the renovations. The work is expected to wrap up by August 2018, and the contractors have assured the commission that yes, the smell will be reduced by the time construction ends.

\$437,428

Work is underway at

the new City Hall building, and the commission has set the guaranteed maximum price for the first phase of the project — demolition and site preparation work — at \$437,428.

DEC. 15-18

Tommy Hamm, owner

of Winterfell Construction, used the public comment period of the meeting to give a brief update on the delayed Cove and Glenwood welcome signs. The stones that have held up the project are almost ready, he said, and he’s shooting to have it wrapped up Dec. 15 or 18.

OBITUARIES

ADDIE RUTH ‘RUTH’ CASWELL

Addie Ruth “Ruth” Caswell was born April 25, 1919, in Hurricane Creek, Holmes County, Florida, to Henry Grady Lunsford and Roberta Berthe Griggs Lunsford. Her father was a farmer and a sawmill operator, so she grew up in several towns in Florida. At age 17, she married Johnny Earle Caswell and they had two children, Russell and Laura Caswell, who were raised and lived in Panama City, Florida. Ruth worked many jobs in her life, but she always had wanted to be a nurse. She was not able to afford the training, but made sure that her children had the opportunity to attend college, which they did at FSU.



Ruth was known for her sense of humor and bubbly personality. She loved going to the beach and she rode roller coasters with her grandchildren. She also loved to visit the mountains. Ruth was a skilled seamstress and made clothes for her children and grandchildren. She also embroidered art and pillows and quilted throughout her life. Ruth was a member of St. Andrews Baptist Church since 1947 and she taught Sunday school there for many years.

Ruth found her opportunity to nurse others when her family members’ health required them to live in a nursing home. She would visit her father there and later her sister. She was visiting that nursing home up until the week prior to her own stroke that led to her moving into

the nursing home. Ruth spent the last 16 years of her life being cared for in the nursing home as she had previously cared for others. Her family is grateful for the care that she received by Covenant Care Hospice and Community Health and Rehabilitation. Ruth died Nov. 23, 2017, at the age of 98. She is survived by her son-in-law, Bill Jenkins; daughter-in-law, Shirlea Caswell; her grandchildren, Greg Jenkins, Shannon Taylor and Beth Cunningham; great-granddaughters, Grace and Ella Cunningham; loving nieces and nephews and great-nephews/nieces. She was preceded in death by her husband, Johnny Caswell; her son, Russell Caswell; and her daughter, Laura Jenkins.

Graveside funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 3, 2017, at Evergreen Memorial Gardens in Panama City, Florida.

Expressions of sympathy may be viewed or submitted at www.southerlandfamily.com.

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THOMAS GAMBLE BEATY JR.

Memorialization for Mr. Thomas Gamble Beaty Jr., 53, of Panama City, Florida, who died Nov. 17, 2017,

will be by cremation. Affordable Funeral Care is handling arrangements.

SHERRY H. DAVIS

A celebration of life service for Sherry H. Davis, 56, of Fountain, Florida, who died Friday, Nov. 24, 2017, will begin at 6:30 p.m. Friday, Dec.

1, 2017, at Fountain First Baptist Church. Those wishing to extend condolences may do so at www.heritagefhllc.com.

DEAN P. HIGHFIELD

A memorial service for Dean P. Highfield, 83, of Panama City, Florida, who died Tuesday, Nov. 21, 2017, will begin

at 3 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 2, 2017, at Grace Presbyterian Church. Kent-Forest Lawn Funeral Home is handling arrangements.

WALTER JOHNSON

Memorialization for Walter Johnson, 64, of Springfield, Florida, who died Monday, Nov. 27, 2017, will

be by cremation. Those wishing to extend condolences may do so at www.heritagefhllc.com.

PEARL JEANETTE ‘JEAN’ KIRKPATRICK

Pearl Jeanette “Jean” Kirkpatrick, 94, of Panama City, Florida, passed away peacefully on Monday, Nov. 27, 2017, surrounded by loved ones.

Jean served her country in the U.S. Navy during World War II, and was a lifelong member of Westview Baptist Church. She also was a longtime volunteer at Bay Medical Center. Jean was the daughter of Mamie and William Hudson of Columbus, Indiana.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, “Kirk”; daughter, Patsy Richter; and grandson, Aaron Mann. She is survived by two daughters, Joyce (Natt) Smith, Judy (Mike) Mann and a son, Jay (Donna) Kirkpatrick; grandchildren, Carrie (Jeff) Cain, Trey Smith, Brenna (Scott) Hoffman, Jock (Michelle) Lisenby, Michael (Holly) Mann, Brian Mann, Brenton Kirkpatrick, Brad (Erica) Ezell, and Kristen (Jason) Brock; and numerous



great-grandchildren.

Visitation will be held from 6-8 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 29, 2017, at Kent-Forest Lawn Funeral Home. The family will hold a private graveside service.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Emerald Coast Hospice, 421 W. Oak Ave., Panama City, FL 32401. Expressions of sympathy may be submitted or viewed online at www.kentforestlawn.com.

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MATTHEW OREN KELLEY

Memorial services for Matthew Oren Kelley, 48, of Panama City, Florida, who died Saturday, Nov. 18, 2017, will begin at 2 p.m. today,

Nov. 29, 2017, at Wilson Funeral Home. The family will receive friends at the funeral home beginning at 1 p.m. today.

BERNARD LAWRENCE NAEGER

Graveside services for Bernard Lawrence Naeger, 93, of Milton, Florida, who died Sunday, Nov. 26, 2017, will begin at 10 a.m. Friday, Dec.

1, 2017, at Evergreen Memorial Gardens. Kent-Forest Lawn Funeral Home is handling arrangements.

ALFRED PURER

Graveside funeral services for Mr. Alfred Purer, 83, of Panama City, Florida, will begin at 10 a.m. today,

Nov. 29, 2017, at Lynn Haven Cemetery. Southerland Family Funeral Home is handling arrangements.

JOHN M. RITTENBERRY

John M. Rittenberry, 48, of Panama City Beach, Florida, died Thursday, Nov. 16, 2017. A private celebration of life service will take

place at a later date. Those wishing to extend condolences may do so at www.heritagefhllc.com.

RUTH TUCKER

Funeral services for Ruth Tucker, 86, of Moss Point, Mississippi, who died Friday, Nov. 24, 2017, will begin at 11 a.m. today, Nov. 29, 2017, at Heritage Funeral Home. The family will receive

friends beginning at 10 a.m. Interment will follow at Evergreen Memorial Gardens. Those wishing to extend condolences may do so at www.heritagefhllc.com.

JOHNNY RAY WALKER

Funeral services for Johnny Ray Walker, 62, of Panama City, Florida, who died Friday, Nov. 24, 2017, will begin at 2 p.m. Friday, Dec. 1, 2017, at Heritage

Funeral Home. Interment will follow in Millville Cemetery. Those wishing to extend condolence may do so at www.heritagefhllc.com.

LOUCILE LUNDY VOLK

Loucile Lundy Volk, 96, passed away on Nov. 27, 2017, at Sandy Ridge Health and Rehabilitation in Milton, Florida.

She was born on June 3, 1921, in Shellhorn, Alabama, to Allen T. and Jennie McLeod Lundy. The family later moved to Livingston, Alabama, where Mrs. Volk graduated from high school as the valedictorian of her class.

Mrs. Volk moved to Panama City after the beginning of World War II to work as a secretary at Tyndall Field. It was there that she met her future husband, William Edward Volk, of Cincinnati, Ohio. They were married on June 11, 1944, at St. Dominic’s Catholic Church in Panama City, and made their home in Panama City after his service in the U.S. Army Air Corps ended.

While living in Panama City, Mrs. Volk was employed in the office products industry and spent 39 years working at Boyd Brothers, Inc. She was a member of many civic organizations and served as president of The Pilot Club of Panama City, the Altrusa Club, the Girls Club and the Woman’s Club of Panama City. She was the first woman president of the Florida Office Products Association and advanced to serve as the first woman lieutenant governor of that organization. Other organizations and offices include: member of the St. Andrews Kiwanis Club, district director of the General Federation of Woman’s Clubs in Florida, secretary/treasurer of the Bay County Democratic Executive Committee, recording secretary of the Anchorage Children’s Home, district Americanism chairman, district chairman and state vice chairman of the Lodge Activities



Committee of Florida Elks. She was involved in the organization of the Girls Club and first local hospice.

After the death of her husband in 2002, she moved to Pensacola, Florida, to pursue her hobby of ballroom dancing and enjoyed the activities at the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks Warrington Lodge No. 2108 prior to her incapacitation.

Mrs. Volk is survived by her daughter, Victoria Bennett and son-in-law, Robert G. Bennett III of Cumming, Georgia; one niece and seven nephews. She was predeceased by her husband of 58 years, William E. Volk; her parents; sisters, Grace Tackett, Mildred Jernigan Lukens and Jennie Ray Hutcheson; and brothers, Dr. Talmadge Lundy and Calvin Lundy.

The funeral service for Mrs. Volk will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 2, 2017, at Wilson Funeral Home in Panama City. There will be a one-hour visitation from 10-11 a.m. at the funeral home prior to the service.

If anyone would like to make a donation in her memory, please send a contribution to St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church, 1008 Fortune Ave., Panama City, FL 32401.

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WREN READER JOHNSON

Mrs. Wren Reader Johnson, 84, a native of Bessemer, Alabama, and a resident of Foley, Alabama, and a longtime resident of Panama City Beach, Florida, died on Saturday, Nov. 25, 2017, at her residence.

Mrs. Johnson was a graduate of Bessemer High School and Auburn University. She was a member of St. Andrews Methodist Church, Woodlawn Methodist Church in Panama City, and Gulf Shores United Methodist Church. Mrs. Johnson married her high school sweetheart and was a loving mother and grandmother.

She was preceded in death by her parents,

Grady and Grace Reader; and her brother, Grady (Gail) Reader Jr. Mrs. Johnson is survived by her husband of 63 years, Horace Donald Johnson; her daughter, Joni (Doug) Roberts; granddaughter, Elizabeth (Bobby) Thomson; nieces, nephews and loving friends.

Funeral services will be held from the graveside at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 29, 2017. Interment will be in Pine Rest Memorial Park.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations may be made to Gulf Shores United Methodist Church Caring and Sharing Ministry, Springhill Hospice, or the United Methodist Children’s Home.

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Big contracts, no storm tarps for Puerto Rico

By Tami Abdollah and Michael Biesecker
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — After Hurricane Maria damaged tens of thousands of homes in Puerto Rico, a newly created Florida company with an unproven record won more than \$30 million in contracts from the Federal Emergency Management Agency to provide emergency tarps and plastic sheeting for repairs.

Bronze Star LLC never delivered those urgently needed supplies, which even months later remain in demand by hurricane victims on the island.

FEMA eventually terminated the contracts, without paying any money, and re-started the process this month to supply more tarps for the island. The earlier effort took nearly four

weeks from the day FEMA awarded the contracts to Bronze Star and the day it canceled them.

Thousands of Puerto Ricans remain homeless, and many complain that the federal government is taking too long to install tarps. The U.S. territory has been hit by severe rainstorms in recent weeks that have caused widespread flooding.

It is not clear how thoroughly FEMA investigated Bronze Star or its ability to fulfill the contracts. Formed by two brothers in August, Bronze Star had never before won a government contract or delivered tarps or plastic sheeting. The address listed for the business is a single-family home in a residential subdivision in St. Cloud, Florida.

One of the brothers, Kayon Jones, said manufacturers he contacted

before bidding on the contracts assured him they could provide the tarps but later said they could not meet the government's requirements. Jones said supplying the materials was problematic because most of the raw materials came out of Houston, which was hit hard by Hurricane Harvey. He said he sought a waiver from FEMA to allow him to order tarps from a Chinese manufacturer and for more time, but FEMA denied the request.

FEMA canceled the contracts Nov. 6, Jones said. The government notified his brother and him a few days later that it would seek \$9.3 million in damages unless they signed a waiver releasing the U.S. from any liability. The brothers agreed.

"We were trying to help; it wasn't about making money or anything like



A stairway crosses the hole left by the whip of Hurricane Maria on Nov. 15 in the residence of Edgardo de León, which was declared a total loss by FEMA staff, in Cataño, Puerto Rico. [ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE PHOTO]

that," Jones said.

FEMA awarded the company two contracts Oct. 10 to provide 500,000 tarps and 60,000 rolls of plastic sheeting. More than a half dozen others also bid, but FEMA said it could not provide details about their bids.

"The award of a government contract to a

company with absolutely no experience in producing the materials sought obviously raises very bright red flags," said Dan Feldman, professor of public management at the John Jay College of Criminal Justice at City University of New York. "I would hope and assume that the inspector general

for the Department of Homeland Security would begin immediately to take a very hard look at this process."

A FEMA spokesman, Ron Roth, said the agency's review process was "somewhat expedited" after Hurricane Maria to respond as quickly as possible to the emergency. But he said the agency did perform its due diligence.

"Submissions from potential contractors are objectively evaluated, and a contract is awarded based on the highest-rated submission," Roth said.

Such "best value" competitive solicitations take into account past performance and a contractor's ability to deliver as well as price, said Alan Miller, an attorney who spent 22-years advising federal contracting officials until retiring last year.

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A candlelight vigil is held for World AIDS Day at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in Panama City in December 2013. This year's vigil is set for Friday.
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AIDS

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1917 Clinic.

Mincey said sponsors always try to wrangle in speakers who understand the disease, and Hamlin, who provides HIV prevention education for the Birmingham clinic, certainly fits the bill.

Panama City Mayor Greg Brudnicki also will make a proclamation in honor of the day.

"[World AIDS Day] reminds the public that AIDS still exists, and we as a society need be aware," Brudnicki said. "It lets those that may be afflicted [know] that we care."

After providing 21 years of HIV/AIDS care and services, Mincey said every person who comes through the doors of Basic NWFL has a personal tie to her — and the disease

can happen to anyone.

"In a way, everyone is affected by HIV," she said. "You may not know anyone, but every day, we pass by people with HIV. We shop in stores with people who have HIV. We work with people with HIV."

Brochures, contact information and more will be available at the event for those looking for resources, answers or ways to volunteer.

"Everyone needs to step up and speak up," Mincey said. "We need to stop HIV in our community. We need the community's involvement. Education is the key to stopping HIV. We have to arm our children with knowledge to make an informed decision."

The World AIDS Day program will be at 5:30 p.m. Friday at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 1608 Baker Court. The event is free and open to the public.

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Wednesday

BAY BOOMERS ACTIVITY PROGRAM: 1-2 p.m. at the Bay County Council on Aging, 1116 Frankford Ave., Panama City. Low-impact aerobics class. For details, Robin Khalidy, 850-769-3468
CRIBBAGE CLUB MEETING: 5:30 p.m. at VFW 2185, 2136 Sherman Ave., Panama City. Nine games cost \$6 with winnings going to first, second and third places.

Thursday

ADULT COLORING AT THE LIBRARY: 10 a.m. at Parker Public Library. Experience the joys and relaxation of coloring. Supplies provided. For details, bayartsevents.com
BAY BOOMERS ACTIVITY PROGRAM: 1-2 p.m. at the Bay County Council on Aging, 1116 Frankford Ave., Panama City. Stronger seniors chair exercise class. For details, Robin Khalidy, 850-769-3468
8TH ANNUAL CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY: 5 p.m. at Bay County Government Center, 840 W. 11th St., Panama City. Event will feature Christmas carols, a visit from Santa Claus and hot cocoa and cookies. Public is invited and encouraged to bring cameras for photos with Santa. For details, baycountyfl.gov
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Email pcnhnews@pcnh.com with "What's Happening" in the subject line.
Friday, Saturday, Sunday, Monday and Tuesday events: Due by 5 p.m. Wednesday before
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Thursday events: Due by 5 p.m. Tuesday before

PUBLIC HEARING: 5:30-7 p.m. at Bay County Commission chamber, 840 W. 11th St., Panama City. Delegation members will hear public comments on proposals for the 2018 legislative session. For details, 850-914-6300 or Patti.Butchikas@myfloridahouse.gov
55+ CLUB: Daffin Park Seniors Club meets at 6:30 p.m. at Daffin Park Club House, 320 Kraft Ave. Finger food at 6:30 p.m. with dancing from 7-9 to music by East West connection. For details, 850-265-8058, 850-516-5648 or Facebook
"THE PHANTOM TOLLBOOTH": 7 p.m. at Gretchen Nelson Scott Fine Arts Center at Mosley High School, 501 Mosley Drive, Lynn Haven. Mosley Drama will perform "The Phantom Tollbooth" at its new fine arts center. Based on the children's book by Norton Juster, watchers are taken on a fantastic journey. All ages. For details, bayartsevents.com

Friday

BAY COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FIRST FRIDAY: 8 a.m. at Holley Building at FSU-PC, 4750 Collegiate Drive, Panama City. Brig. Gen. Menard will present the tracking of Santa's flight along with the official duties of NORAD. For details, panamacity.org
FRIDAY COLORFEST: 9-11 a.m. at Bay County Public Library, 898 W. 11th St., Panama City. Adult coloring is getting an addition. Bring your knitting, crocheting and other craft projects and work on them at the library. Free; open to the public. For details, 850-522-2100
SEA NEEDLES: 10-11 a.m. at the Panama City Beach Public Library, 12500 Hutchison Blvd., Panama City Beach. Bring needlecraft projects to work on at the library with other crafters. For details, 850-233-5055 or NWRLS.com
WORLD AIDS DAY CANDLELIGHT VIGIL: 5:30 p.m. at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 1608 Baker Court, Panama City. Events include a candlelight vigil on the bay, speakers and a musical number. Reception to follow. For details, basicnwfl.com
PILOT CLUB LUMINARIES OF LOVE: 6 p.m. at Gateway Park, Panama City. Event to benefit the Pilot Club of Panama City's projects. For details, 850-233-9921
"THE PHANTOM TOLLBOOTH": 7 p.m. at Gretchen Nelson Scott Fine Arts Center at Mosley High School, 501 Mosley Drive, Lynn Haven. The three Magrath sisters have gathered to await news of the family patriarch, their grandfather, who is living out his last hours in the local hospital, and sort through their own troubles in this dark comedy by Beth Henley. For details and tickets, kt-online.org or 850-265-3226
STUDENT DIRECTED LIVE PLAYS: 7:30 p.m. at Gulf Coast State College, 5230 W. U.S. 98, Panama City. Six plays will be presented each night. Admission \$10 and GCSC and FSU PC students, faculty and staff are free with a valid ID. Seating is limited. For reservations, bit.ly/GCSC10minuteplays

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ARNOLD

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to sweep for explosive devices.

Students and parents had begun amassing at a nearby bank shortly after officials announced the bomb threat and police blocked off the section of Alf Coleman Road north of Back Beach Road (U.S. 98).

Lorri Holland, a parent of a pre-kindergarten child, had arrived just before 1 p.m. to pick up her son when she was greeted by the roadblock. She said she already had

suffered a panic attack when she was turned away from the school and was still crying as she waited.

"I know my kid is OK," Holland said. "I'm just freaking out because I can't get to him. If something did happen, at least I'd have him with me."

Holland said she felt powerless. Several other parents shuffling their feet in the grass and staring intently at the roadblock echoed the sentiment.

Alina Rotari, mother of another pre-K child and a resident in the nearby Breakfast Point neighborhood, likewise was stuck waiting for the

children to be evacuated from the campus.

"I stopped and begged the police to let me go pick up my child and go home," Rotari said. "It's terrifying. I'm so scared."

Shortly before 2 p.m., law enforcement and school officials called off the lockdown. It was unclear as of press time Tuesday whether a suspect had been identified or taken into custody.

"No explosive devices were located and the school was deemed safe for students to return," officers wrote in a news release. "The investigation is ongoing."

In a statement, Bay District School

Superintendent Bill Husfelt praised the action of law enforcement and the patience of parents and students during the ordeal.

"Student safety is our No. 1 priority, so we take threats against our campuses extremely seriously," Husfelt said. "We appreciate the immediate response of law enforcement, the cooperation and understanding of our parents and the expertise of our faculty and staff when these situations arise. No one wants to deal with something like this, but I am relieved that everything is resolved and that our students, faculty and staff continue to be safe."

PARADE

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Local elementary school students will be on hand

to sing carols, White said.

While exact city costs for the events weren't available Tuesday, White said it would be "very low" because the events

wouldn't "take much employee time."

"The money spent is well worth the actual benefit to the citizens of Lynn Haven," White said.

"Anytime the city can host a wholesome family event that develops a lasting memory, I feel it's an opportunity the city needs to pursue."

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Project 25, 600 children,
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Officials are making their final push to get toys to children in need in time for Christmas.

Project 25, the decades-old fundraiser founded and spearheaded by the Bay County Sheriff's Office to provide Christmas presents for needy children, is asking the public for the 1,200 hands it wants to put toys in.

Organizers are looking for either \$10 donations or a new, unwrapped toy until Dec. 5 at the Bay County Sheriff's Office, 3421 N. State 77. All the donated toys will be gathered and separated into bags, with each child receiving one bag.

Becky Johns, Project 25 coordinator, said that while they have had success toward reaching their goal of about \$45,000, BCSO has a ways to go. She said no donation would be too small.

"It's been a struggle this year, I guess because people just don't have the money," Johns said. "But when you have nothing as a child, anything is better than nothing."

The cash donations are spent during Project 25 Shopping Night at the Super Wal-Mart in Callaway. This year Project 25 Shopping Night is on Dec. 5 at 6 p.m. Volunteer shoppers are needed to help spend the donations and shop for almost 600 kids who, otherwise, won't have toys under the tree this year.

After the cash deadline ends, BCSO still will accept toy donations through Christmas Eve, Johns said.

**PANAMA CITY
First of 3 suspects netted
in burglary, attack**

One of three suspects in an attack during a break-in has been taken into custody, according to arrest reports.

Rachelle Nichole Mathias, 31, appeared in court Tuesday in connection with the case. She and two other people are suspected of breaking into a trailer at Palm Circle Mobile Home Park, 1334 St. Andrews Blvd., a month ago and attacking the two residents inside. As the two other suspects are sought, Mathias is being held at the Bay County Jail on two counts



Mathias

comment. One other suspect, Jeremy Scott, has been identified but has not been apprehended.

According to Panama City Police Department reports, the three defendants broke into the trailer on Oct. 28 and attacked the two people. While inside, the group beat both victims, kicking one woman in the face repeatedly and striking a male occupant with a wooden stick several times, PCPD reported.

One victim suffered a broken shoulder and numerous abrasions,

officers reported.

It is unclear whether the group took any items during the burglary. However, the day before, Mathias had been released on bond for grand theft for allegedly stealing \$423 from a seafood market where she worked as a cashier, court records show.

**PANAMA CITY
Downed power lines
snarl U.S. 231 traffic**

Traffic was brought to a standstill Tuesday morning when two commercial trucks brought down a communication line on a busy highway, according to the Florida Highway Patrol.

Both vehicles — a dump truck and semi-trailer truck — left the area after the incident, and neither had been

identified as of Tuesday evening.

FHP reported the crash happened about 10:45 a.m. A dump truck was traveling north on U.S. 231 near Bay Line Drive with a semi-trailer truck not far behind. The top portion of the dump truck struck a Comcast communication line hanging above U.S. 231, and immediately afterward, the semi-truck also struck the line, bringing it into the roadway, FHP reported.

Both left without leaving information.

Traffic grinded to a halt as troopers cleared the roadway.

Charges are pending, FHP reported. Anyone with information is asked to contact FHP at 850-873-7020.

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SPORTS

Bozeman overpowers PDL



Bozeman's Noah Gustason works inside against a trio of Ponce de Leon defenders as the Bucks' Chandler Taylor (23) looks on in Tuesday's 70-46 opening win. Taylor led all players with 23 points.

[JOSHUA BOUCHER/THE NEWS HERALD]

By Pat McCann
The News Herald

SAND HILLS — For a while it seemed as though Ponce de Leon would have better accuracy from behind the 3-point arc than Bozeman would from the free-throw line.

But the telling factor on Tuesday night was Bozeman's depth in the post against the undersized Pirates. When foul trouble robbed visiting PDL of any chance it had to defend the paint the Bucks cruised to an easy 70-46 boys basketball win in the season opener for both schools.

Chandler Taylor had seven of his game-high 23 points when Bozeman broke away

from a seven-point halftime lead in the third quarter. Taylor and Dante Robinson largely were responsible for a 14-point run that turned a 34-27 edge into a 48-27 blowout.

By that time PDL's Ty Rushing and John Grady were well on their way to fouling out. Bozeman was only 18-35 at the foul line, and considering that Robinson made all six of his free throws en route to 17 points and James Alderman was four for four it was obvious the rest of the squad was shooting a late-November percentage not suitable after the holidays.

This statistic was just as telling: Ponce de Leon made

one more two-point field goal (5) than Bozeman did 3-pointers.

Taylor had his way inside, especially when 6-foot-4 Noah Gustason picked up two early fouls for the Bucks. James Cancilla, 6-5, also provided solid minutes as the Pirates had no answer once Bozeman started to contest the perimeter and not all of PDL's 3s found the mark.

Taylor Hudson and Bryce West both connected from long range as PDL opened a 6-0 edge before Taylor converted Robinson's feed for the Bucks' initial points. James Alderman had six of his 11

See **BOZEMAN, C3**

Turnovers doom Bucks' girls

Bozeman unable to contend with full-court pressure

By Pat McCann
The News Herald

SAND HILLS — Bozeman girls basketball coach Desmond Brown purposely assembled the most challenging schedule this season the Bucks ever have faced.

If they handle pressure like they did in a 52-33 defeat against Ponce de Leon on Tuesday night, they are going to miss departed standout point guard Brianna Turner a large part of it.

The Bucks fell to 1-2 in the Pirates' opener as they were unable to contend with full-court pressure from start to finish.

It wasn't unexpected, PDL known for its end-to-end approach for more than a decade under head coach Tim Alford.

Bozeman committed nine turnovers in the second quarter alone while falling behind as much as 21-6 when Lily Brooks converted a fast-break layup.

The Bucks went down 29-11 when Allyson Dady grabbed a rebound of her own miss to score with 3 minutes, 33 seconds left in the third quarter.

At that point Bozeman showed the spark that Brown hopes becomes its standard response.

The Bucks got scoring contributions from five separate players in an 11-0 run to claw within 29-22 on Kayla Bashore's free throw.

Bozeman trailed 30-24 entering the fourth quarter.

Dady, who led all scorers with 18 points, had a putback and Taylor West swished a 3-pointer to restore a 35-24 cushion for PDL and it wasn't challenged the rest of the way.

Shelby Suggs had all but two of her team-high 14 points in the second half to lead Bozeman.

She managed only 1-for-9 accuracy beyond the arc, however, as the Pirates were by far the better



Bozeman's Shelby Suggs drives against Mandie Rushing of Ponce de Leon in the Bucks' 52-33 loss on Tuesday night. [JOSHUA BOUCHER/THE NEWS HERALD]

shooting team from the perimeter.

Devyn Butorac supported Dady with 13 points for the Pirates and West added seven.

Brianna Harper had five points for Bozeman, which like the Bucks' boys squad was hampered by poor

free-throw shooting.

They were just 11-26 at the line despite eight different players taking aim.

Bozeman hosts Wewahitchka Thursday afternoon.

Ponce de Leon plays at Samson, Alabama.

PDL (52)
Coates 0 0-0 0, Rushing 1 0-0 3, Rodgers 1 0-2 2, Powell 0 0-0 0, Dady 8 1-2 18, West 3 0-0 7, Hicks 1 3-4 5, Butorac 5 1-3 13, Brooks 2 0-0 4. Totals: 21 5-11 52.
BOZEMAN (33)
Hanson 1 1-2 3, Stanford 0 1-2 1, Wilson 1 0-0 3, Worley 0 0-2 0, Stys 0 2-4 2, Suggs 6 1-2 14, Hurst 1 1-1 3, Bashore 0 2-5 2, Harper 1 3-8 5. Totals: 10 11-26 33.
Ponce de Leon 13 8 922 - 53
Bozeman 3 6 159 - 33
3-point goals: PDL 5 (Butorac 2, Rushing, Dady, West), Bozeman 2 (Wilson, Suggs). Total fouls: PDL 21, Bozeman 11. Fouled out: None.

PREP | C3

ROUNDUP

See how your favorite area high school team fared on Tuesday

Dolphins dominated by Indians in opener

By Dustin Kent

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LYNN HAVEN — Mosley's regular season opener against Choctawhatchee at Jim Redfern Gymnasium wasn't quite the debut the Dolphins were hoping for, though they can take solace in the fact that they're not likely to see the combination size, skill, and athleticism that the Indians displayed Tuesday night when they get into district play.

Choctaw took advantage of a bevy of first-half Mosley turnovers to build a big early lead and cruised to a 90-57 victory in the season opener for both clubs.

The Dolphins will next play Friday night at Niceville, while the Indians play host to Rutherford on Thursday.

Jayden Jones led Choctaw with 21 points, followed by Aron Scott with 15, Diante Smith with 11, and Josh Williams with 10. Jordan Bullard scored 12 points to lead Mosley, while Stacy Burse scored 11.

The Dolphins were only briefly even with the Indians when a 3-pointer by Bullard opened the scoring for Mosley to tie it up

See **DOLPHINS, C3**



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COLLEGE PLAYOFFS

Clemson, Auburn take over top spots with Oklahoma third and Wisconsin fourth

SPORTS TICKER

IN BRIEF

OMAHA, NEB. Husker fans catch Frost Fever, awaiting coach

Nebraska fans are gearing up for what to them seems the imminent arrival of native son Scott Frost as the Cornhuskers' new football coach.

The message board outside the Husker Hounds novelty store flashes "Come Home Scott Frost," and inside you can buy T-shirts reading "Nebraska Frost Advisory, Restore Glory" and "May The Frost Be With You."

Bartenders around town are setting drinks on "Hire Scott Frost Now!" coasters, and Facebook pages in support of Frost have popped up.

Frost, whose Central Florida Knights are unbeaten and hosting Memphis in the American Athletic Conference championship game this week, has been the topic du jour every day for a month on the all-sports radio stations in Omaha and Lincoln. Even hosts on Omaha's news talk station have Frost mania.

"I would compare it to a little kid on Christmas Eve who knows what he's getting. You can see the package, can see the wrapping paper on it, you know what it is, but you get so anxious to open it," said Joe Quinn, co-host of the afternoon show on Omaha's 590 ESPN. "You just beg your mom or dad. I want to open it. I know what it is. I just want to see it."

TEHRAN, IRAN Wrestler says managers told him to throw match

An Iranian wrestler said his managers told him to intentionally lose to a Russian competitor to avoid facing an Israeli wrestler in the next round.

Ali Reza Karimi told the semi-official ISNA news agency late on Monday that only one minute before the end of a Sunday round of the U-23 World Championship in Poland his coaches told him to throw the match to avoid facing an Israeli wrestler.

"In a moment, my whole world seemed to come to an end," he said.

Israel and Iran are bitter adversaries and Iranian athletes traditionally refrain from competing against Israelis. Iran's government usually rewards such behavior.

WASHINGTON Trump renews complaint about kneeling players

President Donald Trump is renewing his complaints about NFL players who kneel during the national anthem.

Players have been kneeling to protest racism and police brutality, particularly toward people of color. Trump says the act is disrespectful and is hurting the game.

Trump tweeted Tuesday that at least 24 players knelt during weekend play at stadiums that he says are having a hard time filling with fans.

The president says: "The American public is fed up with the disrespect the NFL is paying to our Country, our Flag and our National Anthem. Weak and out of control!"

The Associated Press



Auburn's Dontavious Russell, second from left, tackles Georgia's Nick Chubb (27), as Georgia's Kendall Baker, far-left, joins in the play during the second half Nov. 11 in Auburn, Ala.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE PHOTO]

Auburn hoping this run not a one-year Cam-eo

By John Zenor
The Associated Press

AUBURN, Ala. — Gus Malzahn has been part of several successful seasons at Auburn, one built around an otherworldly player and another on the strength of two surreal plays.

The fourth-ranked Tigers have soared into title contention this time with a pair of wins over top-ranked teams and a steady grind. The effort has been good enough to earn a Round 2 with No. 6 Georgia (11-1, 7-1 Southeastern Conference) in Saturday's league championship game with a playoff berth on the line.

Maybe this time Auburn (10-2, 7-1) is built for more than a one-year run.

"We're in a real good spot, and the future's very bright," Malzahn, who is in his fifth season, said Tuesday. "We have the ability to sustain it. Now, we've got to do it. You've got to do all the stuff, but we're a lot more stable right now than any other time that I've been here at Auburn so I feel good about where we're at."

In 2010, Auburn was viewed by some as a one-man team with Heisman Trophy-winning quarterback Cam Newton. The 2013 team benefited from some huge breaks.

These Tigers don't want to hear any of that.

They have decisively beaten two teams in the past three games that sat atop the College Football Playoff rankings at the time. The Tigers routed Georgia 40-17 and beat Alabama 26-14 to earn the trip to Atlanta and stretch their winning streak to five games.

The last time Auburn had beaten either one of those teams was in 2013, Malzahn's debut season. That year, the Tigers topped Georgia on a deflected pass for a long, game-winning touchdown and the Crimson Tide on the now-famous Kick Six to end the game before advancing to play for the national title.

Newton led the 2010 Auburn team to a national championship with Malzahn as offensive coordinator. It was coach Gene Chizik's second season.

In between, Auburn has lost at least five games every season. But now, Malzahn has had more time to build a sturdy foundation with a succession of solid recruiting



Auburn running back Kerryon Johnson (21) reaches over the goal line for the go-ahead touchdown against Alabama during the Iron Bowl on Saturday in Auburn, Ala. [ALBERT CESARE/THE MONTGOMERY ADVERTISER VIA THE ASSOCIATED PRESS]

classes.

"We have a lot of great players, a lot of superstars on the offense and defense," Auburn safety Tray Matthews said. "Back in the day, Cam Newton was just the biggest superstar of them all. Now, as far as our team goes, in every position, everybody's pretty good and real solid."

"We have a lot of weapons on offense, we have a lot of key players on defense. Pretty much every player on our defense is a key player."

Matthews was one of the two Georgia defenders in coverage on Ricardo Louis on that tipped 73-yard completion four years ago. Now, the transfer is one of Auburn's team leaders.

This team has been led by strong defense and an offense with emerging stars at quarterback (Jarrett Stidham), tailback (Kerryon Johnson) and wide receiver (Ryan Davis). All three of have eligibility left after this season.

Johnson, though, is nursing a right shoulder injury sustained against Alabama. Asked if the SEC's leading rusher would practice Tuesday, Malzahn said, "We'll see."

"I think it's going to be a day-to-day deal," the coach said. "He was better yesterday than he was the day before so we'll see where that goes when he's ready to get

out there."

Unlike 2013, one thing Malzahn said he is not overly worried about is his team suffering an emotional letdown after a big Iron Bowl win.

"This team is a lot more stable," Malzahn said. "You're definitely concerned but I feel great about it because when we got in Sunday team meeting, it was flip the page. I mean that was over with. We'll think about how fun that was after the season. They've got the goal — they put it up there the very first day of fall camp — we want to win the SEC championship and they weren't like shy about it trying to hide it from outside people."

"They're not going to be distracted, I'll tell you that."

This team has already rebounded from a punchless offensive performance against Clemson and a blown lead versus LSU. The team overcame the dismissals of receiver Kyle Davis and former starting quarterback Sean White, the departure of onetime top recruit Byron Cowart and injuries to players like tailback Kamryn Pettway and linebacker Tre Williams.

"Everybody doesn't know what we've gone through," Matthews said. "We've gone through hell and back. And now, it's just a beautiful thing we have going on here at Auburn."

Woods says he's on 'other side' of pain

By Doug Ferguson
The Associated Press

NASSAU, Bahamas — Tiger Woods says he is on the "other side" of too many years relying on pain medication to cope with his back surgeries, which led to his arrest on a DUI charge six months ago that he attributed to a bad mix of prescription drugs.

"I'm loving life now," he said Tuesday.

Woods is making yet another return to competition this week at the Hero World Challenge, an 18-man event with no cut at Albany Golf Club. It's his first tournament in 10 months and his first time competing since fusion surgery in April, the fourth operation on his back.

Early indications are that Woods is in a much better spot than when he returned a year ago in the Bahamas. According to those who played with him in recent weeks, his swing looks faster and more fluid, and Woods appears to be happy and healthy.

Woods reached a low point on Memorial Day when he was arrested in the middle of the night after Florida police found his car parked awkwardly on the side of the road about 15 miles from his home, with Woods asleep behind the wheel, the engine running and a blinker on.

Toxicology reports revealed that Woods had two painkillers (Vicodin and Dilaudid), a sleep drug (Ambien), an anti-anxiety drug (Xanax) and the active ingredient for marijuana in his system.

He went through an in-patient treatment program to deal with prescription medication, and last month pleaded guilty to a reckless driving charge that allowed him to avoid jail time.

"I've come out the other side and I feel fantastic," Woods said. "A lot of friends have helped me. I didn't realize how bad my back was. Now that I'm feeling the way I'm feeling, it's just hard to imagine that I was living the way I was living with my foot not working, my leg not working and then the hours of not being able to sleep at all because of the pain."

Woods attributed the Memorial Day arrest to "trying to go away from the pain."

"I was trying to sleep, which I hadn't done in a very long time because of the things I've been dealing with," he said. "So as my back improved, I've been able to start sleeping again because I don't have the nerve pain going down my leg. I don't have my leg twitching all over the place. I don't have these issues anymore."

Woods hasn't won since the 2013 Bridgestone Invitational, his 79th title on the PGA Tour that leaves him three short of tying Sam Snead's record. That might have been the last time he had reasonable health.

PREP ROUNDUP

North Bay Haven girls shut out Bozeman

The News Herald

PANAMA CITY — Daniella Dallas and Sierra Eisenbrown had two goals each to lead North Bay Haven to the 7-0 victory over Bozeman in girls' soccer action Tuesday night at Harders Park.

Kylie Huhn, Rebeka Uh, and McKenzie Duvall also scored goals. Eisenbrown, Stephanie Field, Emma Wilson, and Kaitlin Summerville all had assists. Brittany Elizondo got the shutout in goal.

Arnold 8, Bay 0

PANAMA CITY BEACH — India Hansen had nine saves for the Tornadoes. In the junior varsity game, Arnold won 3-1. Noelle Edwards had Bay's only goal, which was assisted by Tressa Carpenter. Fisher Boyd had 12 saves and Payton Thayer had six saves.

Bay 58, Crestview 46

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Late results

BOYS SOCCER Arnold 1, North Bay Haven 0

BAYOU GEORGE — Jake Burnetsky made eight saves, but North Bay Haven fell to 0-2-1.

Gulf Breeze 3, Mosley 1

GULF BREEZE — Jacob Pickle scored an unassisted goal for Mosley, 0-2-1, which plays at Fort Walton Beach on Friday.

GIRLS BASKETBALL North Bay Haven 54, Wewahitchka 33

WEWAHITCHKA — Joselyn Geer had 32 points for North Bay Haven in a season-opening win. Ja'Meesha King added 11. Wewa, 1-3, was led by Gracie Price with 12 points.

Bay 56, Bozeman 45

PANAMA CITY — Kamiya Gillis had 18 points and three rebounds as Bay opened with a victory. Yasmine Trammell had 11 points and six rebounds and Nakobie White eight points and three rebounds.

Also for the Tornadoes, Christionna Faison had six points and four rebounds, Alana Williams had six points, Kamera Johnson four points and Cherokee King one point.

BOYS BASKETBALL Biceville 65, Rutherford 49

NICEVILLE — Rutherford opened its season with a loss at Niceville. Leading the Rams were Eddie Dubose with 15 points, Lorenzo Ferrell with 12 and Trevon Hills with 10.

Rutherford plays Thursday at Choctawhatchee.

Xavier beats Baylor

The Associated Press

J.P. Macura scored 15 of his 19 points in the first half as Xavier surged ahead to stay, and the 21st-ranked Musketeers sent No. 16 Baylor to its first loss of the season, 76-63 on Tuesday night.

The Musketeers (6-1) recovered from their first loss — against Arizona State — by controlling the boards and putting together decisive runs in each half. They never trailed after an opening 21-8 spurt.

Kaiser Gates also had 19 points for Xavier, including a 3-pointer that blunted the Bears' final comeback attempt.

Baylor (5-1) was riding momentum from the championship of Hall of Fame Classic, which featured wins over Wisconsin and Creighton. The Bears beat Wisconsin despite going the final 8 minutes without a field goal, and then rallied from a 12-point deficit in the second half to beat Creighton.

NO. 2 KANSAS 96, TOLEDO 58:

Devonte Graham scored a career-high 35 points, Malik Newman added 17 and second-ranked Kansas ran roughshod over Toledo to extend the Jayhawks' best start in seven years. Svi Mykhailiuk hit five 3-pointers and added 15 points for Kansas (6-0), which built a 59-30 lead by halftime and pushed the advantage to more than 50 points before coasting down the stretch. The



Baylor's Jo Lual-Acuil Jr. (0) rebounds against Xavier's J.P. Macura (55) in the first half Tuesday in Cincinnati. [JOHN MINCHILLO/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS]

Jayhawks were 12 of 20 from beyond the arc and shot 59 percent from the field, though emptying the bench early kept them from hitting the 100-point mark for the third consecutive game. They also forced 20 turnovers by a Toledo team that had committed 25 total over its last three games. Tre'Shaun Fletcher and Nate Navigato scored 12 points apiece to lead the Rockets (3-3), who have lost three straight overall and 12 straight against ranked teams.

NO. 8 WICHITA ST. 112, SAVANNAH ST. 66:

Sama-jae Haynes-Jones scored a season-high 31 points to lead No. 8 Wichita State past Savannah State. Five other Shockers (5-1) scored in double figures against the fast-paced Tigers (2-6). Leading scorer Landry Shamet did not play in the second half after re-injuring his right ankle. Darral Willis had 14 points and 12 rebounds for Wichita State,

while Rashard Kelly had 12 points and 10 rebounds. Austin Reaves scored 12 for the Shockers, and Conner Frankamp and Rauno Nurger added 10 each. Savannah State was led by Alante Fenner's 18 points. Austin Dasant scored 15 for the Tigers, and Dexter McClanahan added 10.

FLORIDA STATE 78, RUTGERS 73:

PISCATAWAY, N.J. — CJ Walker scored 24 points and Phil Cofer added 19 to lead unbeaten Florida State past Rutgers. Walker was 6 of 11 from the floor and made 10 of 11 free throws. Cofer was 7-of-11 shooting and made four 3-pointers. Ike Obiagu grabbed 10 rebounds and chipped in five points for Florida State (6-0). Eugene Omoruyi scored 22 points to lead Rutgers (6-1). Corey Sanders added 20 points, and Deshawn Freeman followed up his first double-double of the season with 15 points and 16 rebounds.

DOLPHINS

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3-3, but Smith answered with a 3-pointer moments later to give the Indians a lead they never relinquished. Jones answered with a basket inside and Smith followed with a short jumper, with a basket by Scott and a three from Chris McGaughy giving Choctaw a 16-3 edge with 1:41 left in the first quarter.

Choctaw continued to pour it on in the second quarter, using a 15-6 run to go up 33-13 after a baseline fadeaway by Scott. Threes by Burse and Bullard cut the deficit to 16 with 1:50 left in the second quarter, but the Indians scored nine of the next 12 points with a basket at the buzzer by Scott making it 44-22 at the break.

The margin reached 29 points early in the third quarter after a basket by Jones made it 52-23, but the Dolphins fought back with an 18-6 run to get back to within 17. A bucket by Jared Ashe followed by a three-point play from Burse cut the lead to 21, with a corner 3-pointer from Bullard followed by a steal and two from Jaylin Wodford making it 58-41 with two minutes left in the quarter.

It was 65-46 going into the fourth quarter, but any notion of a Mosley rally was quickly put to bed by the Indians, who used a 12-2 run to pull away for good. Mosley trailed 69-50 after a basket from Ashe, but a short jumper and two free throws from Josh Williams pushed the lead to 23, with a tip-in by Scott, a steal and layup from Xavier Cain-Fuller, and a putback by Jones making it 81-52 with 3:31 remaining. A one-handed jam on the break by Jones provided the exclamation point with just over a minute to play.

CHOCTAW (90)
Cain-Fuller 3 1-5 9, McGaughy 1 3-6 6, Williams 3 4-7 10, Jackson 1 4-5 6, Smith 4 2-2 11, Abbott 0 2-2 2, S. Jones 1 1-2 3, Matthews 2 1-2 5, Scott 6 3-15 15, J. Jones 8 4-4 21. Totals: 25 25-40 90.
MOSLEY (57)
Dominguez 0 2-3 2, Wodford 2 0-0 5, Ashe 2 0-0 3, Burse 5 0-2 11, Bellamy 1 0-0 2, Miller 1 0-0 3, Pearce 0 0-0 0, Bullard 4 1-2 12, Echeverry 3 1-2 7, Wright 1 0-0 2, Bullock 3 0-0 6. Totals: 22 4-9 57.
Choctaw 18 26 21 25 - 90
Mosley 7 15 24 11 - 57
3-point field goals: Mosley 7 (Bullard 3, Wodford, Ashe, Burse, Miller), Choctaw 5 (Cain-Fuller 2, McGaughy, Smith, J. Jones). **Total fouls:** Mosley 24, Choctaw 15. **Fouled out:** none. **Technical fouls:** Choctaw.

Mullen begins to form his staff

By Robbie Andreu
Staff writer

New Florida coach Dan Mullen has gone right to work assembling his coaching staff.

The anticipated became official Tuesday, when Mullen announced that two of his longtime assistants at Mississippi State — who also were on the same Urban Meyer staff with Mullen at UF — have joined his staff.

Billy Gonzales and John Hevesy were hired and went right to work Tuesday, hitting the recruiting trail to meet with prospects.

At Mississippi State,

Gonzales and Hevesy were co-offensive coordinators. Gonzales coached the wide receivers and was the passing game coordinator, while Hevesy was the offensive line coach and running game coordinator.

There also were unconfirmed reports Tuesday that Mullen is not retaining interim head coach Randy Shannon and five other assistants — offensive coordinator Doug Nussmeier, tight ends coach Greg Nord, secondary coach Corey Bell, wide receivers coach Kerry Dixon and defensive line coach Robb Akey. There was no official word from UF on

those six assistants.

Four coaches remain on staff at this time — defensive line coach Chris Rumph, offensive line coach Brad Davis, running backs coach Tim Skipper and running backs coach Ja'Juan Seider, according to reports.

Skipper was on the road recruiting Tuesday.

The status and roles of all the coaches currently on the staff will be determined at a later date.

With MSU bowl eligible, Gonzales and Hevesy likely will continue to coach for the Bulldogs through the bowl game.

Gonzales was on Meyer's

UF staff from 2005-09 and coached the wide receivers. Hevesy coached the Gator offensive line and tight ends from 2005-08, leaving to join Mullen's staff at MSU.

MSU defensive coordinator Todd Grantham also could eventually be joining Mullen's UF staff in the same capacity. But he is considered a candidate for the Bulldogs' head coaching job vacated by Mullen.

Also Tuesday, Lee Begley announced on her Twitter account that she will become director of recruiting operations at Florida. She held the same post at MSU under Mullen.

BOZEMAN

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points and it was 15-9 after one quarter.

The Pirates scored the final six points of the first half, four by Jesse Hicks and Grady's hoop near the buzzer getting PDL within 31-24 at intermission.

Foul trouble and Bozeman's size was telling thereafter, despite the Bucks falling into a third-quarter trap where it seemed as though they were trying to match the Pirates from long range.

It was Gustason who assisted Taylor on three baskets inside to aid the critical surge. When Taylor scored on an inbounds it was 53-33 with 1:40 left in the third quarter.

The final eight minutes provided the exclamation point for the win, but in reality was the sloppiest quarter of the night.

West had 17 points and Hudson 11 for the Pirates. Justin Lott had all eight of his points for Bozeman in



Ponce de Leon's Bryce West (2) kicks the ball toward the corner while challenged by Bozeman's Logan Cox (25) and Dante Robinson (24). [JOSHUA BOUCHER/THE NEWS HERALD]

the third quarter.

Bozeman will host Altha on Friday. Ponce de Leon plays next at Samson, Alabama.

PDL (46)
West 5 47-17, Rushing 0 1-2 1, Grady 1 0-1 2, Hudson 4 0-0 11, Land 1 2-2 4, Neal 0 1-2 1, Gillis 0 3-6 3, Hicks 2 1-2 7, Lentz 0 0-0 0. Totals: 13 12-22 46.
BOZEMAN (70)
Gustason 1 1-6 3, Collier 0 0-0 0, Knox 0 0-0 0, Lott 3 0-2 8, Dorsey 0 2-4 2, Taylor 10 4-11 24,

Robinson 5 6-6 17, Cox 1 1-2 3, Alderman 3 4-4 11, Cancilla 1 0-0 2. Totals: 24 18-35 70.
Ponce de Leon 9 15 21 11 - 46
Bozeman 15 16 11 17 - 46
3-point goals: PDL 8 (West 3, Hudson 3, Hicks 2), Bozeman 4 (Lott 2, Alderman, Robinson). **Fouled out:** PDL (Rushing, Grady). **Technical fouls:** PDL bench.

SCOREBOARD

AREA EVENTS

GIRLS SOCCER

Bay at Wakulla

ON THE AIR

Today COLLEGE BASKETBALL

6 p.m.
CBSN — Auburn at Dayton

FS2 — Penn at Villanova

FSN — Rider at Providence

6:15 p.m.
ESPN2 — Clemson at Ohio St.

ESPNU — Penn St. at NC State

6:30 p.m.
ESPN — Michigan at North Carolina

8 p.m.
FS2 — Chicago St. at Marquette

FSN — Belmont at TCU

8:15 p.m.
ESPN2 — Miami at Minnesota

ESPNU — Boston College at Nebraska

8:30 p.m.
ESPN — Duke at Indiana

GOLF

7 p.m.
GOLF — PGA Tour of Australasia, Australian PGA Championship, first round, at Gold Coast, Australia

12:30 a.m. (Thursday)

GOLF — European PGA, Sunshine & Asian Tours, AfrAsia Bank Mauritius

Open, first round, at Bel Ombre, Mauritius

NBA

6 p.m.
NBA — Washington at Philadelphia

9:30 p.m.
NBA — Golden State at L.A. Lakers

NHL

6:30 p.m.
NBCSN — Tampa Bay at Boston

SOCCER

2 p.m.
NBCSN — Premier League, Manchester City vs. Southampton

6:30 p.m.
FS1 — MLS playoffs, Eastern Conference championship, 2nd Leg, Columbus at Toronto

WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

5 p.m.
BTN — Notre Dame at Michigan

7 p.m.
BTN — Florida St. at Iowa

SEC — Middle Tennessee at Mississippi

Love scores 38, LeBron ejected as Cavs beat Heat

The Associated Press

Kevin Love scored 32 of his 38 points in the first half, LeBron James was ejected for the first time in his career and the Cleveland Cavaliers extended their longest winning streak since 2015 to nine games by downing the Miami Heat 108-97 on Tuesday night.

Love had his way with every defender Miami put on him, finishing 10 of 16 from the field and 14 of 17 on free throws. He scored 22 in the first quarter and the Cavs opened a 27-point lead before

halftime. James added 21 points before he was slapped with two technical fouls by referee Ken Fitzgerald and tossed with 1:59 left in the third quarter and the Cavs leading by 23. It was the first time James was thrown out in 1,082 career games. Whiteside away from the basket, and he was too physical for Kelly Olynyk, who went to the bench with early foul trouble.

Love also overpowered Josh Richardson and tied the record for the most points allowed by the Heat in one half.

Vasilevski gets shutout as Lightning snap two-game skid

The Associated Press

Andrei Vasilevski made 34 saves in his second shutout this season, and the Tampa Bay Lightning ended a two-game skid with a 2-0 victory over the Buffalo Sabres on Tuesday night.

Defenseman Dan Girardi and rookie Mikhail Sergachev had goals for the Lightning in the third of a four-game trip. Tampa Bay is off to the best start in franchise history (17-5-2) but had lost consecutive games for the first time this season. Vasilevski leads the NHL with 16 wins and has six career shutouts in 101 starts.

ISLANDERS 5, CANUCKS 2:

Calvin de Haan and Jordan Eberle scored goals one minute apart in the first period to spark the New York Islanders to a win over the Vancouver Canucks. Eberle now has goals in three straight games and recorded his 400th NHL point as New York improved to 15-7-2 overall and 8-0-2 at Barclays Center.

Thornton scored the go-ahead goal late in the first period and the San Jose Sharks extended the Philadelphia Flyers' longest losing streak in nearly 10 years to nine games with a victory. Chris Tierney and Marc-Edouard Vlasic also scored and Logan Couture had two assists for the Sharks.

PANTHERS 5, RANGERS 4:

Denis Malgin scored with 1:09 left and the Florida Panthers recovered after giving up two three-goal leads to beat the New York Rangers.

BLUE JACKETS 3, HURRICANES 2, SO:

Cam Atkinson and Artemi Panarin scored in the shootout to give the Columbus Blue Jackets a win over the Carolina Hurricanes.

KINGS 4, RED WINGS 1:

Dustin Brown and Anze Kopitar scored 2:10 apart late in the second period to put the Los Angeles Kings ahead and they went on to beat the Detroit Red Wings.

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SCHEDULE

MONDAY

Matinee: Thoroughbred simulcast: Finger Lakes 11:15 a.m., Parx 11:25 a.m. Greyhound simulcast: Derby Lane 11:30 a.m., Sarasota 11:30 a.m., Palm Beach noon.

Evening: Greyhound simulcast: Jacksonville 6:35 p.m.

TUESDAY

Matinee: Thoroughbred simulcast: Parx 11:25 a.m., Finger Lakes 11:15 p.m. Greyhound simulcast: Sarasota 11:30 a.m., Palm Beach noon.

WEDNESDAY
Matinee: Thoroughbred simulcast: Aqueduct 11:20 a.m., Tampa Bay 11:35 a.m. Greyhound simulcast: Derby Lane 11:30 a.m., Sarasota 11:30, Jacksonville 11:35 a.m., Palm Beach noon.

Evening: Dania Jai Alai 6 p.m. Greyhound simulcast: Derby Lane 6:30 p.m., Jacksonville 6:35 p.m.

THURSDAY

Matinee: Thoroughbred simulcast: Aqueduct 11:20 a.m. Greyhound simulcast: Derby Lane 11:30 a.m., Sarasota 11:30 a.m., Palm Beach noon.

Evening: Dania jai-alai 6 p.m. Greyhound simulcast: Jacksonville 6:35 p.m.

FRIDAY

Matinee: Thoroughbred simulcast: Aqueduct 11:20 a.m., Tampa Bay 11:35 a.m. Greyhound simulcast: Sarasota 11:30 a.m., Derby Lane 11:30 p.m., Palm Beach noon.

Evening: Dania Jai Alai 6 p.m. Greyhound simulcast: Palm Beach 6 p.m., Sarasota 6:30 p.m., Derby Lane 6:30 p.m., Jacksonville 6:35 p.m.

SATURDAY

Matinee: Thoroughbred simulcast: Aqueduct 11:20 a.m., Tampa Bay 11:35, Gulfstream 11:35 p.m. Greyhound simulcast: Derby Lane 11:30 a.m., Sarasota 11:30 a.m., Jacksonville 11:35 a.m., Palm Beach noon.

Evening: Dania Jai Alai 6 p.m. Greyhound simulcast: Palm Beach 6 p.m., Derby Lane 6:30 p.m., Sarasota 6:30 p.m., Jacksonville 6:35 p.m.

SUNDAY

Matinee: Thoroughbred simulcast: Aqueduct 11:20 a.m., Gulfstream 11:35 a.m. Greyhound simulcast: Palm Beach noon, Jacksonville 12:35 p.m.

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at Philadelphia	Off	Off	Washington
at Detroit	12	218	Phoenix
Oklahoma City	6	212½	at Orlando
at Toronto	8	206	Charlotte
Miami	1	201	at New York
at Houston	Off	Off	Indiana
at New Orleans	5	218	Minnesota
at San Antonio	8	195½	Memphis
at Dallas	Off	Off	Brooklyn
at L.A. Lakers	Off	Off	Golden State

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Today FAVORITE	OPEN	UNDERDOG
Auburn	3½	at Dayton
at Bowling Green	Off	San Jose St.
at UConn	11	Columbia
at Cleveland St.	1½	Arkansas St.
at Indiana St.	4½	Air Force
George Mason	2½	at James Madison
at Villanova	20½	Pennsylvania
at William & Mary	3½	Marshall
Penn St.	1½	at N.C. St.
at Ohio St.	2½	Clemson
at North Carolina	9½	Michigan
at N. Iowa	2	UNLV
at Troy	7	Ill.-Chicago
at N. Illinois	Pk	Milwaukee
at South Alabama	6½	Southern Miss.
at Alabama	11	Louisiana Tech
at Texas-Arlington	17½	Rice
at Arizona	23½	Long Beach St.
at New Mexico	2	Evansville
at Nebraska	3	Boston College
at Minnesota	5	Miami
Duke	10	at Indiana
at Nevada	11	Illinois St.

NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE

Today FAVORITE	LINE	UNDERDOG	LINE
at Montreal	-130	Ottawa	+120
at Boston	-Off	Tampa Bay	Off
at St. Louis	-195	Anaheim	+180
Winnipeg	-130	at Colorado	+120

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Friday FAVORITE	OPEN TODAY	O/U	UNDERDOG
Southern Calif.	3½	4	59 Stanford

Saturday FAVORITE	OPEN TODAY	O/U	UNDERDOG
at Georgia St.	4	4	46½ Idaho
at Appalachian St.	15	15	60 ULL
Georgia Southern Pk	2½	52½	at Coast. Caro.
at Arkansas St.	1	1	59 Troy
at NMSU	7½	9½	54 So. Alabama
at FAU	8	11	73½ North Texas
at Central Florida	7½	7½	82 Memphis
Toledo	18	21½	57½ Akron
Auburn	1½	2½	49 Georgia
at Boise St.	10	9	49 Fresno St.
Clemson	5	9½	47½ Miami
Ohio State	6½	6½	53 Wisconsin
at FIU	1	1	55½ UMass
at Florida St.	27	26½	65 ULM
Oklahoma	7½	7	63½ TCU

NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE

Thursday FAVORITE	OPEN TODAY	O/U	UNDERDOG
at Dallas	Pk	1	44 Washington

Sunday FAVORITE	OPEN TODAY	O/U	UNDERDOG
at Baltimore	2½	3	40½ Detroit
at Chicago	4½	3½	40½ San Francisco
at Atlanta	3½	3	47½ Minnesota
New England	8	8	48½ at Buffalo
Denver	1	1	38 at Miami
at Tennessee	7½	6½	42½ Houston
at Jacksonville	10	9½	41 Indianapolis
Tampa Bay	2½	Off	Off at Green Bay
Kansas City	3	3	44 at N.Y. Jets
at New Orleans	3½	4	48 Carolina
at L.A. Chargers	11	13½	41½ Cleveland
L.A. Rams	6½	7	45 at Arizona
at Oakland	5½	7	42½ N.Y. Giants
Philadelphia	5½	6	47 at Seattle

Monday

Pittsburgh 6 5½ 43 at Cincinnati
Updated odds available at Pregame.com

PRO FOOTBALL

NFL

All times Central AMERICAN CONFERENCE	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
New England	9	2	0	.818	325	220
Buffalo	6	5	0	.545	254	260
N.Y. Jets	4	7	0	.364	228	257
Miami	4	7	0	.364	174	289

SOUTH	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Tennessee	7	4	0	.636	242	269
Jacksonville	7	4	0	.636	269	168
Houston	4	7	0	.364	283	285
Indianapolis	3	8	0	.273	195	300

NORTH	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Pittsburgh	9	2	0	.818	258	193
Baltimore	6	5	0	.545	236	187
Cincinnati	5	6	0	.455	199	215
Cleveland	0	11	0	.000	166	289

WEST	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Kansas City	6	5	0	.545	272	236
L.A. Chargers	5	6	0	.455	249	202
Oakland	5	6	0	.455	225	261
Denver	3	8	0	.273	197	280

NATIONAL CONFERENCE	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Philadelphia	10	1	0	.909	351	191
Dallas	5	6	0	.455	248	270
Washington	5	6	0	.455	258	276
N.Y. Giants	2	9	0	.182	172	267

SOUTH	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
New Orleans	8	3	0	.727	322	222
Carolina	8	3	0	.727	248	207
Atlanta	7	4	0	.636	265	230
Tampa Bay	4	7	0	.364	223	262

NORTH	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Minnesota	9	2	0	.818	271	195
Detroit	6	5	0	.545	294	264
Green Bay	5	6	0	.455	232	261
Chicago	3	8	0	.273	177	252

WEST	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
L.A. Rams	8	3	0	.727	329	206

Seattle	7	4	0	.636	266	212
Arizona	5	6	0	.455	203	278
San Francisco	1	10	0	.091	187	284

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Atlanta 34, Tampa Bay 20
Cincinnati 30, Cleveland 16
Tennessee 20, Indianapolis 16
Buffalo 16, Kansas City 10
Philadelphia 31, Chicago 3
New England 35, Miami 17
Seattle 24, San Francisco 13
Oakland 21, Denver 14
L.A. Rams 26, New Orleans 20
Arizona 27, Jacksonville 24
Carolina 35, N.Y. Jets 27
Pittsburgh 31, Green Bay 28

Monday's Game

Baltimore 23, Houston 16

WEEK 13 Thursday's Game

Washington at Dallas, 7:25 p.m.

Sunday's Games

Tampa Bay at Green Bay, 12 p.m.
Minnesota at Atlanta, 12 p.m.
San Francisco at Chicago, 12 p.m.
Detroit at Baltimore, 12 p.m.
Denver at Miami, 12 p.m.
Indianapolis at Jacksonville, 12 p.m.
Houston at Tennessee, 12 p.m.
Kansas City at N.Y. Jets, 12 p.m.
New England at Buffalo, 12 p.m.
Cleveland at L.A. Chargers, 3:05 p.m.
Carolina at New Orleans, 3:25 p.m.
L.A. Rams at Arizona, 3:25 p.m.
N.Y. Giants at Oakland, 3:25 p.m.
Philadelphia at Seattle, 7:30 p.m.

Monday, Dec. 4

Pittsburgh at Cincinnati, 7:30 p.m.

LATE MONDAY RAVENS 23, TEXANS 16

HOUSTON	R	Y	P	K
	0	17	0	6
BALTIMORE	R	Y	P	K
	7	3	3	16
	0	17	0	6

First Quarter
Hou—L.Miller 4 run (Fairbairn kick), 8:49.

Second Quarter
Bal—Ja.Allen 10 run (Tucker kick), 11:10.
Bal—Collins 8 run (Tucker kick), 6:44.
Hou—FG Fairbairn 25, 1:48.
Bal—FG Tucker 53, :07.

Third Quarter
Hou—FG Fairbairn 36, 4:35.

Fourth Quarter
Bal—FG Tucker 31, 10:54.
Hou—FG Fairbairn 37,

JSK Lubbock a puppy on the rise

The News Herald

EBRO — JSK Lubbock seeks to extend his impressive early showing in today's matinee 15th race at Palm Beach, simulcast at Ebro Greyhound Park.

The 73-pounder won't be 20 months old until mid-December, but already has posted six wins and a close second in seven starts. He's a pace setter who only has been caught once, and then by 1 length.

JSK Lubbock has drawn the 1 box in a rematch with Grand Azul, an eight-race winner who closed within one length at the wire when the pair met on Friday. Grand Azul starts alongside in the 2 box, a 1-2 quiniela likely to be strongly backed.

At Sarasota, Happy Hemi has won two straight to debut in Grade A in the matinee seventh. Happy Hemi won twice at Ebro in seven starts last season, and already had

duplicated that success in four races in the Sarasota winter meet. Tomco Sara Lee has not been worse than fourth in five starts and is the morning line co-favorite at 3-to-1.

The matinee 10th features Rio Im a Lady with three wins and five trifectas in five starts. AJN Ms Teresa has an identical resume, but had a three-win streak snapped on Friday. Glenn Howerton has three wins in five starts and

SE's Magic Move has won two of three with a third.

Orange Park's seventh race of the evening program has LK's Black Gold trying to improve on five quinielas in her last six starts and 18 wins overall in 38 races. Veteran Lorine Of Ruckus has 17 wins and 28 quinielas in 64 starts and Dutch Doreen has 13 wins. Lee Anson has the 1 box for the matinee 11th with 12 wins in 27 starts against Fix A Drink, who has won three of

his last six and has nine quinielas in 13 starts. Kiowa Sure Wild has won five of 12.

At Derby Lane, LK's Royal Sire has won three of his last six and eight of 28 overall for the evening 12th over the 3-8 mile course. Stacie Clark has made six consecutive trifectas without a victory for the evening 10th against SE's Wepon X, who has won three of four and Jack's River Ace, not showing much recently despite nine wins in 18 starts.



Auburn offensive lineman Braden Smith (71) lines up against Mississippi State during the first half Sept. 30 in Auburn, Ala. [ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE PHOTO]

Championship weekend star matchups

By Ralph D. Russo
The Associated Press

The Associated Press has been honoring college football's best with an All-America team since 1925. This season, the AP released its first preseason All-America team and its first midseason team. The full three-team All-America selections are announced in December. The final installment of the weekly All-America watch features matchups to watch in each of this weekend's championship games. The AP All-America team will be released Dec. 11.

Southeastern Conference championship: No. 4 Auburn vs. No. 6 Georgia

Braden Smith, OG, Auburn vs. Roquan Smith, LB, Georgia

Auburn's offensive line is one of the best in college football, named a semifinalist for the Joe Moore Award that goes to the nation's best line. Smith is the leader. He has been contributing since his freshman year and his next start will be his 38th consecutive. Georgia's Smith is a finalist for the Butkus Award, which goes to the nation's top linebacker and the Bulldogs' leading tackler with 100.

Atlantic Coast Conference championship: No. 1 Clemson vs. No. 7 Miami

Tyrone Crowder, OG, Clemson vs. R.J.

McIntosh, DT, Miami

Clemson has the ACC's best offensive line with Crowder and offensive tackle Mitch Hyatt both among the best in the country at their positions. They lead a running game that ranks third in the conference in yards per carry (5.11) and first in rushing touchdowns (36). Miami's defensive line doesn't get quite the acclaim that Clemson's does, but the Hurricanes feature a bunch of future pros, too, led by McIntosh. The junior lead the teams with 11 1/2 tackles for loss. The Hurricanes have allowed only six rushing touchdowns.

Big 12 championship: No. 2 Oklahoma vs. No. 10 TCU

Orlando Brown, OT, Oklahoma vs. Mat Boesen, DE, TCU

Brown is massive (6-foot-8, 345 pounds), athletic and a potential high first-round draft pick. He protects Baker Mayfield's blindside. Brown will be protecting the Heisman Trophy front-runner from the reigning national defensive player of the week. Boesen set a school and Big 12 record with 5 1/2 sacks against Baylor on Saturday. He leads the conference with 11 sacks on the season.

Big Ten championship: No. 3 Wisconsin vs. No. 8 Ohio State

David Edwards, OT, Wisconsin vs. Nick Bosa, DE, Ohio State

Edwards is a former option quarterback who moved to

tight end in Madison and has grown into a 315-pound right tackle. Ohio State has four excellent defensive ends but Bosa, the brother of former first-round draft pick Joey, is the best. He leads the team with six sacks and 12 1/2 tackles for loss.

Pac-12 championship: No. 11 Southern California vs. No. 14 Stanford

Sam Darnold, QB, USC vs. Justin Reid, S, Stanford

What was expected to be a Heisman-worthy season for Darnold has not quite worked out. Too many interceptions (12) have been the biggest problem, but Darnold is also second in the Pac-12 in efficiency rating (147.44) and leads in yards per attempt (8.4). Reid has been everywhere for Stanford, leading the team in both interceptions (five) and tackles (88).

American Athletic Conference championship: No. 12 UCF vs. No. 16 Memphis

Mike Hughes, CB, UCF vs. Anthony Miller, WR, Memphis

Hughes made the play of the day last week against USF on special teams with a kickoff return for the decisive touchdown. He is a really good corner back, too, leading the AAC in passes defended with four picks and 11 broken up. Miller is the conference's leading receiver with 1,212 yards and 14 touchdowns.

Gulf Coast men, women sweep LB Wallace

The News Herald

ANDALUSIA, Ala. — Both the Gulf Coast men's and women's basketball teams earned road victories over Lurleen B. Wallace on Tuesday night, with the Lady Commodores winning 84-29 in the first game and the GC men beating the Saints 63-55 in the second.

The top-ranked Lady Commodores (5-0) were led by Shayla Bennett's 20 points, with Kionna Jeter adding 17 points. Dominique Banks had 12 points and Jhileiya Dunlap had 10, followed by Nakia Kinsey with eight, and Keshawn Johnson with seven.

Gulf Coast jumped on LB Wallace from the opening tip, as Jeter knocked in five 3-pointers in the first quarter to put the Lady Commodores up 24-5, while Bennett hit three from

long distance and scored 11 points in the second quarter to extend the lead to 50-11 at halftime. Bennett and Jeter each finished the game with five 3-pointers and the Lady Commodores hit 14 as a team.

The Gulf Coast men (9-1) made it four wins in a row, with Marlon Adams leading the way Tuesday with 15 points. Will Robinson added 14 points, while Quadree Smith had six points and 15 rebounds.

GC's men next play a pair of games at Chipola this weekend, taking on Georgia Highlands on Friday at 5 p.m. and Lawson State on Saturday at 3 p.m. The Lady Commodores are also in action this weekend at the Florida Women's College Basketball Shootout in Jacksonville, playing Broward on Friday and Palm Beach on Saturday.



Clemson quarterback Kelly Bryant (2) scrambles from the pocket against South Carolina linebacker T.J. Brunson (6) during the first half Saturday in Columbia, S.C. Clemson defeated South Carolina 34-10. [SEAN RAYFORD/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS]

Clemson, Auburn, Oklahoma, Wisconsin are playoff top 4

By Ralph D. Russo
The Associated Press

Clemson is No. 1, followed by Auburn, Oklahoma and Wisconsin in the last College Football Playoff rankings before the semifinals are set by the selection committee on Sunday.

Alabama fell from No. 1 to fifth in the new rankings Tuesday night after losing to Auburn, and Georgia was sixth.

Miami slipped after taking its first loss of the season last week from No. 2 to seventh, just ahead of Ohio State at eighth.

Each of the top four teams plays a conference title game this Saturday against another top-10 team, creating potential play-in playoff games. Clemson faces Miami in the Atlantic Coast Conference championship; Auburn and Oklahoma play for the Southeastern Conference title; Wisconsin faces Ohio

State for the Big Ten title; and Oklahoma faces No. 10 TCU for the Big 12 title.

If the top four win out, the semifinals likely would fall into place: Clemson would face Wisconsin in the Sugar Bowl semifinal on New Year's Day by virtue of giving the top seed a regional advantage, and Auburn and Oklahoma would play in the Rose Bowl semifinal.

It is likely Miami would jump into the top four by beating No. 1 Clemson and winning the ACC and same goes for Georgia if it can win a rematch against Auburn.

The intrigue would start if Oklahoma and/or Wisconsin lose.

The selection committee could be faced with an Alabama (11-1) or Ohio State (10-2) choice. The Crimson Tide's resume is no wins against teams currently in the top 15, but the Buckeyes have two losses by double digits, including a 31-point blowout at Iowa.

TV LISTINGS

WEDNESDAY MORNING				C - COMCAST W - WOW! S1 - DISH NETWORK S2 - DIRECTV											NOVEMBER 29							
	C	W	S1	S2	7 AM	7:30	8 AM	8:30	9 AM	9:30	10 AM	10:30	11 AM	11:30	12 PM	12:30						
WJHG	7	3	3	7	Today Jill's Steals and Deals; Padma Lakshmi. (N)				Megyn Kelly Today (N)		Today With Kathie Lee & Hoda			NewsChannel 7 at 11am (N)		Days of Our Lives (N)						
CW	(72)	99	9	8	Maury		The Steve Wilkos Show				Jerry Springer		Paid Program			Paid Program						
WMBB	(13)	2	2	13	Good Morning America (N)				Live with Kelly and Ryan (N)			The View			WMBB Midday News (N)		The Chew					
METV	(132)	209	133	2	Beaver	Beaver	Perry Mason		Matlock "The Magician"		Diagnosis Murder		The Big Valley			Gunsmoke "Muley"						
WECP	(18)	4	4	4	CBS This Morning (N)				Let's Make a Deal (N)		The Price Is Right			The Young and the Restless		News at Noon		Bold/Beautiful				
MNT	(182)	227	13	2	Extra (N)	Forensic Files	Jerry Springer		The Real (N)		The Wendy Williams Show (N)		Paternity Court		Couples Court		Judge Faith		Judge Faith			
WPGX	(28)	8	8	28	28	Paid Program	Aqua Kids	Paid Program	Paid Program	Judge Mathis	The People's Court		The People's Court			CityLine						
WFSG	(56)	11	11	56	Nature Cat	Curious	Curious	Daniel Tiger	Daniel Tiger	Splash	Splash	Sesame Street	Sesame Street	Martha Speaks	Peg Plus Cat	Dinosaur Train	Storage Wars	Storage Wars				
A&E	34	43	118	265	Bounty Hunter		Bounty Hunter		Dog & Beth: Fight of Their Lives			Ozzy and Jack's World Detour										
AMC	30	62	131	254	Paid Program		Paid Program		M*A*S*H		Mission to Mars ('00) Gary Sinise, Tim Robbins, Don Cheadle.					*** Terminator		3: Rise of the Machines ('03)				
ANPL	46	69	184	282	America's Cutest				Too Cute! "Puppy Love"		Animal Cops Houston		Animal Cops Houston		Pit Bulls and Parolees		Pit Bulls and Parolees					
BET	53	46	124	329	House/Payne	House/Payne	House/Payne	House/Payne	House/Payne	Meet, Browns	Meet, Browns	Meet, Browns	Tyler Perry's Meet the Browns	Meet, Browns	Meet, Browns	Meet, Browns	Meet, Browns	Meet, Browns	Meet, Browns			
COM	64	53	107	249	Scrubs	Scrubs	Scrubs	Scrubs	Scrubs	70s Show	70s Show	70s Show	70s Show	70s Show	70s Show	70s Show	70s Show	70s Show	70s Show			
DISC	36	39	182	278	Homestead Rescue				Homestead Rescue		Homestead Rescue		Homestead Rescue		Alaskan Bush People		Alaskan Bush People					
E!	63	57	114	236	Total Divas				Total Divas		Total Divas		Total Divas		Alaskan Bush People		Alaskan Bush People					
ESPN	9	23	140	206	SportsCenter (N) (L)				SportsCenter (N) (L)		First Take (N) (L)		SportsCenter (N) (L)		SportsCenter (N) (L)		Outside Lines		NFL Live (N)			
ESPNU	47	24	144	209	5:00 Golic & Wingo (N) (L)				SportsCenter (N) (L)		SportsCenter (N) (L)		SportsCenter (N) (L)		First Take							
FOOD	38	45	110	231	Paid Program		Paid Program		Pioneer Wo.		Farmhouse		Farmhouse		Valerie Home		Valerie Home		Pioneer Wo.		Pioneer Wo.	
FREE	59	65	180	311	(6:30) ** Jack Frost ('98) Michael Keaton.				700/Interactive		The 700 Club Gen. Jay Garner.		** Snow Day ('00) Chris Elliott,		Mark Webber, Jean Smart.		*** Hook ('91)					
FS1	24	27	150	219	First Things First				Skip and Shannon: Undisputed (N) (L)		The Herd with Colin Cowherd (N) (L)											
FX	45	51	136	248	(6:00) ** In Time ('11) Justin Timberlake.				** Man of Steel ('13) Henry Cavill, Amy Adams, Michael Shannon.		Home & Family "6056" (N)			Mike & Molly		Mike & Molly		How I Met				
HALL	23	59	185	312	My Christmas Love ('16) Meredith Hagner, Bobby Campo.				Love It or List It		Love It or List It		Love It or List It		Home & Family "6055"							
HGTV	32	38	112	229	Pawn Stars		Pawn Stars		Pawn Stars		Pawn Stars		Pawn Stars		Pawn Stars		Property Brothers: Buying		Property Brothers: Buying			
HIST	35	42	120	269	Unsolved Mysteries		Unsolved Mysteries		Unsolved Mysteries		Unsolved Mysteries		Unsolved Mysteries		Unsolved Mysteries		The First 48: Misfortune		The First 48: Misfortune			
LIFE	56	56	108	252	Unsolved Mysteries				Unsolved Mysteries		Unsolved Mysteries		Unsolved Mysteries		Unsolved Mysteries		The First 48: Misfortune		The First 48: Misfortune			
SPIKE	28	48	241	241	Relieve pain	Paid Program	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops		
SUN	49	422	656	656	Paid Program	Inside HEAT	Postgame	Postgame	NBA Basketball	Miami Heat at Cleveland Cavaliers.			Lunch with the Heat									
SYFY	70	52	122	244	Survivorz ('16)	(:45) * My Soul	to Take ('10) Max Thieriot, John Magaro.		(4:45) Justice League: The Flashpoint Paradox ('13) Cary Elwes		(3:50) ** The November Man ('14)											
TBS	31	15	139	247	Married	King	King	King	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends		
TCM	25	70	132	256	*** Cheyenne Autumn ('64) Richard Widmark, Carroll Baker, James Stewart.				** Firecreek ('68) James Stewart, Henry Fonda.		** The Cheyenne Social Club											
TLC	37	40	183	280	Little Couple	Little Couple	The Healer "Last Resort"		The Healer		Say Yes: ATL		Say Yes: ATL		Say Yes: ATL		Say Yes: ATL		Hoarding: Buried Alive			
TNT	29	54	138	245	Charmed "Muse to My Ears"				Charmed		Supernatural		Supernatural		Supernatural		Supernatural (Part 1 of 2)		Supernatural (Part 1 of 2)			
USA	62	55	105	242	NCIS: Los Angeles		NCIS: Los Angeles "Rage"		NCIS: Los Angeles "Beacon"		NCIS: Los Angeles		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU			
WGN-A	13	239	307	Creflo Dollar	Paid Program		Walker, Texas Ranger		Walker, Texas Ranger		In the Heat of the Night		In the Heat of the Night		In the Heat of the Night		In the Heat of the Night		In the Heat of the Night			

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON				C - COMCAST W - WOW! S1 - DISH NETWORK S2 - DIRECTV											NOVEMBER 29											
	C	W	S1	S2	1 PM	1:30	2 PM	2:30	3 PM	3:30	4 PM	4:30	5 PM	5:30	6 PM	6:30										
WJHG	7	3	3	7	Rachael Ray (N)				The Doctors		Harry		Family Feud		Jeopardy! (N)		News		Nightly News		News		Wheel Fortune			
CW	(72)	99	9	8	Paid Program		Paid Program		Maury		The Robert Irvine Show		The Goldbergs		The Goldbergs		American Dad		American Dad		Family Guy		Family Guy			
WMBB	(13)	2	2	13	General Hospital (N)				Hot Bench (N)		Hot Bench		The Dr. Oz Show (N)		Dr. Phil		News		World News		News 13 at 6		Ent. Tonight			
METV	(132)	209	133	2	Bonanza "The Decision"				The Rifleman		The Rifleman		Wagon Train "The Last Man"		T.J. Hooker "To Kill a Cop"		Hawaii Five-0 (Part 2 of 2)		M*A*S*H		M*A*S*H		Ent. Tonight			
WECP	(18)	4	4	4	The Talk				Millionaire		Millionaire		Family Feud		Family Feud		The Ellen DeGeneres Show (N)		Day Jeopardy		Local 18 News		Evening News		Inside Edition	
MNT	(182)	227	13	2	Divorce Court	Divorce Court	Andy Griffith	Andy Griffith	Dateline	Dateline	Dateline	Dateline	Dateline	Dateline	Dateline	Dateline	Dateline	Dateline	Dateline	Dateline	Dateline	Dateline	Dateline	Dateline		
WPGX	(28)	8	8	28	28	Maury	Crime Watch Daily	Crime Watch Daily	Steve (N)	Steve (N)	Steve (N)	Steve (N)	Steve (N)	Steve (N)	Steve (N)	Steve (N)	Steve (N)	Steve (N)	Steve (N)	Steve (N)	Steve (N)	Steve (N)	Steve (N)	Steve (N)		
WFSG	(56)	11	11	56	Ready Jet Go!	Nature Cat	Nature Cat	Wild Kratts	Wild Kratts	Wild Kratts	Odd Squad	Odd Squad	Odd Squad	Arthur (E)	PBS NewsHour (N)	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars		
A&E	34	43	118	265	Storage Wars		Storage Wars		*** Total Recall ('90) Arnold Schwarzenegger, Rachel Ticotin, Sharon Stone.			*** The Book of Eli ('10) Denzel Washington, Gary			Oldman, Mila Kunis.											
ANPL	46	69	184	282	Treehouse Masters				Treehouse Masters		Treehouse Masters		Treehouse Masters		Treehouse Masters		Treehouse Masters		Treehouse Masters		Treehouse Masters		Treehouse Masters			
BET	53	46	124	329	Fresh Prince		Fresh Prince		Fresh Prince (:33) ** ATL ('06) Tip Harris, Lauren London. Four Atlanta teens face challenges.				*** Coach Carter ('05) Samuel L. Jackson.													
COM	64	53	107	249	70s Show		70s Show		South Park		South Park		South Park		South Park		(15) South Park "More Crap"		South Park		South Park		South Park			
DISC	36	39	182	278	Alaskan Bush People		Alaskan Bush People		Alaskan Bush People		Alaskan Bush People		Alaskan Bush People		Alaskan Bush People		Homestead Rescue "Trapped"		Homestead Rescue		Homestead Rescue		Homestead Rescue			
E!	63	57	114	236	The Kardashians				Chrisley		Chrisley		Chrisley		Chrisley		Chrisley		The Kardashians		The Kardashians		E! News (N)			
ESPN	9	23	140	206	(12:30) NFL Live (N) (L)				The Jump		SportsNation (N)		Questionable		Around/Horn		SportsCenter W/Michael		SportsCenter W/Michael		ESPY Speech		Basketball			
ESPNU	47	24	144	209	The Paul Finebaum Show (N)				NFL Live		NFL Live		Intention		Fantasy Show		Football Live		Around/Horn		Interruption		College Basketball			
FOOD	38	45	110	231	Iron Chef America				Iron Chef America		Iron Chef America		Iron Chef America		Iron Chef America		Iron Chef America		Iron Chef America		Iron Chef America		Iron Chef America			
FREE	59	65	180	311	(12:00) *** Hook ('91) Dustin Hoffman, Robin Williams.				*** National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation ('89) Chevy Chase.		(15) ** Four Christmas ('08) Vince Vaughn.															
FS1	24	27	150	219	The Herd with Colin Cowherd				First Things First with Kris Carter and Nick Wright		Speak for Yourself		UFC Tonight (N)													
FX	45	51	136	248	How I Met		How I Met		Mike & Molly		Mike & Molly		Mike & Molly		Mike & Molly		*** The Amazing Spider-Man ('12) Andrew Garfield, Emma Stone, Rhys Ifans.									
HALL	23	59	185	312	The Sweetest Christmas ('17) Lacey Chabert, Lea Coco.				12 Gifts of Christmas ('15) Katrina Law, Aaron O'Connell.		Miss Christmas ('17) Brooke D'Orsay, Marc Blucas.															
HGTV	32	38	112	229	Property Brothers: Buying		Property Brothers: Buying		Property Brothers: Buying		Property Brothers: Buying		Property Brothers: Buying		Property Brothers: Buying		Property Brothers: Buying		Property Brothers: Buying		Property Brothers: Buying		Property Brothers: Buying		Property Brothers: Buying	
HIST	35	42	120	269	Pawn Stars		Pawn Stars		Vikings "Crossings"		Vikings "The Great Army"		Vikings "Revenge"		Vikings "The Reckoning"		Vikings "The Reckoning"		Vikings "The Reckoning"		Vikings "The Reckoning"		Vikings "The Reckoning"			
LIFE	56	56	108	252	The First 48: Misfortune				Grey's Anatomy		Grey's Anatomy		Grey's Anatomy		Grey's Anatomy		Grey's Anatomy		Little Women: Dallas		Little Women: Dallas		Little Women: Dallas			
SPIKE	28	48	241	241	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops		
SUN	49	422	656	656	Inside HEAT	Inside HEAT	Ins. Lightning	Ins. Lightning	Spotlight	Focused	3 Wide Life (N)	Power of	Power of	Inside HEAT	Inside HEAT	Inside HEAT	Inside HEAT	Inside HEAT	Inside HEAT	Inside HEAT	Inside HEAT	Inside HEAT	Inside HEAT	Inside HEAT		
SYFY	70	52	122	244	(11:35) The November Man				*** XXX ('02) Vin Diesel. A spy tries to stop an anarchist with weapons.				*** Gladiator ('00) Russell Crowe, Joaquin Phoenix, Connie Nielsen.													
TBS	31	15	139	247	Friends	Friends	American Dad	American Dad	American Dad	American Dad	American Dad	American Dad	American Dad	American Dad	American Dad	American Dad	American Dad	American Dad	American Dad	American Dad	American Dad	American Dad	American Dad	American Dad		
TCM	25	70	132	256	Cheyenne		(45) *** How the West Was Won ('62) Carroll Baker. Three generations of family go west.		(45) **** The Man Who Shot Liberty Valance ('62) James Stewart.																	
TLC	37	40	183	280	Hoarding: Buried Alive				Long Island Medium		Long Island Medium		Say Yes		Say Yes		Say Yes		Say Yes		Say Yes		Say Yes		Say Yes	
TNT	29	54	138	245	Bones				** Colombiana ('11) Zoe Saldana, Jordi Mollà, Lennie James.		** American Gangster ('07) Denzel Washington, Russell Crowe, Chiwetel Ejiofor.															
USA	62	55	105	242	Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU	
WGN-A	13	239	307	In the Heat of the Night	Blue Bloods "Ties That Bind"		Blue Bloods "The Bogeyman"		Blue Bloods		Blue Bloods		Blue Bloods		Blue Bloods		Blue Bloods		Blue Bloods		Blue Bloods		Blue Bloods		Blue Bloods	

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WMBB	(13)	2	2	13	The Goldbergs		Speechless (N)		Modern Family		Am Housewife		Hogan Heroes		Hogan Heroes		Carol Burnett		Perry Mason		Twilight Zone		Alf. Hitchcock		Alf. Hitchcock	
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WPGX	(28)	8	8	28	28	Maury	Crime Watch Daily	Crime Watch Daily	Steve (N)	Steve (N)	Steve (N)	Steve (N)	Steve (N)	Steve (N)	Steve (N)	Steve (N)	Steve (N)	Steve (N)	Steve (N)	Steve (N)	Steve (N)	Steve (N)	Steve (N)	Steve (N)	Steve (N)	
WFSG	(56)	11	11	56	Ready Jet Go!	Nature Cat	Nature Cat	Wild Kratts	Wild Kratts	Wild Kratts	Odd Squad	Odd Squad	Arthur (E)	PBS NewsHour (N)	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	
A&E	34	43	118	265	Storage Wars		Storage Wars		*** GoodFellas ('90) Robert De Niro. An Irish-Italian hood joins the 1950s New York Mafia.			*** Ghostbusters ('84) Bill Murray, Dan Aykroyd, Harold Ramis.			Ghost II											
AMC	30	62	131	254	*** Fantasia Four ('15) Miles Teller, Michael B. Jordan.				With Love, Christmas ('17) Emily Ullerup, Aaron O'Connell.				Ice Sculpt													

DIVERSIONS

WORD SCRIMMAGE: JUDD HAMBRICK

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1st DOWN: A₂ A₂ Y₇ C₆ G₃ R₂ G₃

2nd DOWN: S₂ I₂ L₂ U₃ A₂ A₂ Q₁₄

3rd DOWN: L₂ E₁ S₂ P₆ R₂ E₁ R₂

4th DOWN: N₂ M₆ C₆ N₂ T₂ E₁ O₂

JUDD'S TOTAL = 190
AVERAGE GAME 120-130 PTS

TIME LIMIT: 20 MIN
Directions: Make a 2- to 7-letter word from the letters on each yardline. Add points to each word or letter using scoring directions. Seven-letter words get a 60-point bonus. All words can be found in Webster's New World College Dictionary.

11-29-17 **JUDD'S SOLUTION TOMORROW**

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1st DOWN = 85: C₆ A₂ P₆ R₂ I₂ C₆ E₁

2nd DOWN = 74: D₃ E₁ N₂ T₂ I₂ S₂ T₂

3rd DOWN = 124: H₇ Y₇ D₃ R₂ A₂ T₂ E₁

4th DOWN = 128: N₂ A₂ T₂ I₂ V₇ E₁ S₂

AVERAGE GAME 260-270 PTS
JUDD'S TOTAL = 411

11-29-17

ACES ON BRIDGE: BOBBY WOLFF

"Satisfaction does not come with achievement, but with effort. Full effort is full victory."
— Mahatma Gandhi

It is always satisfying when, at an early stage of the deal, you can work out the likely shape and honor structure of the unseen hands, and defend accordingly.

When Sweden took on Monaco at the 2014 European Championships, Fredrik Nystrom for Sweden opened the East hand with one club, a call that could have been made on as few as two clubs. The South player for Monaco overcalled one no-trump, and that ended the auction.

Johan Upmark started by cashing the heart ace, which in his partnership methods asked for attitude. On receipt of an encouraging card signal from East, he continued with the heart king, then the jack, declarer discarding a diamond from dummy.

Upmark now knew South had four hearts and surely four spades, since that suit would almost certainly be 4-4-4-1 around the table. Since South would have doubled (instead of bidding one no-trump) with doubleton clubs, he must surely have three clubs — and therefore could hold only a doubleton in diamonds.

So Upmark got off lead with a low diamond, and East won with the ace, collecting the king from declarer. Nystrom next cashed his heart queen and returned a diamond, taken by South's queen, but setting up West's jack in the process.

Declarer now had five clubs to cash plus the diamond trick he had already scored, but there was no way he could set up a spade or diamond winner before the defenders could cash out for down one.

NORTH 11-29-A
♠ 10
♥ 4 3
♦ 10 9 7 4 2
♣ A 10 5 3 2

WEST ♠ 9 8 4 3
♥ A K J
♦ J 8 6
♣ 9 8 4

EAST ♠ A Q 6 2
♥ Q 8 7 5
♦ A 5 3
♣ 7 6

SOUTH
♠ K J 7 5
♥ 10 9 6 2
♦ K Q
♣ K Q J

Vulnerable: East-West
Dealer: North

The bidding:
South West North East
1 NT All pass Pass 1 ♣

Opening Lead: Heart ace

BID WITH THE ACES 11-29-B

South holds:
♠ K J 7 5
♥ 10 9 6 2
♦ K Q
♣ K Q J

South West North East
1 ♥ Pass 1 ♦ Pass
? Pass 2 ♥ Pass

ANSWER: A simple one here. Jump to three no-trump to offer a choice of games. Even if partner has four hearts, he might pass if his values are outside the heart suit — which is what you want, of course. You can explore with a call of two spades, but this time the direct approach is better.

JUMBLE

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

CHITK

UNOWD

MRAYWL

VABHEE

Answers tomorrow

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

by David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek



Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

Yesterday's Jumbles: SPURN IMPEL HEALTH BEFORE
Answer: He really wanted to say hello to the woman and had — "HI" HOPES

DEAR ABBY

Wife's private photo album makes its way onto the web



Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: Six months ago, I asked a close female friend to help me prepare a gift for my husband for our fifth wedding anniversary. I wanted to create a photo album of sexy nude photos of myself. Her excellent camerawork provided me with a wonderful collection, and my husband loved it.

I recently found out on social media that my girlfriend's husband viewed and copied my private photos, and shared them online with mutual male friends of ours. I'm devastated. My girlfriend is sorry to the max.

My husband isn't yet aware of my exposure to others. I don't want to tell him, but at

the same time, I don't want some guy spilling the beans. My girlfriend is helping to stop the sharing of my pictures. Should I hope for the best or tell my husband? — **ASHAMED IN THE U.S.A.**

DEAR ASHAMED: Inform your husband immediately about what happened because he needs to hear it from you.

Your friend's carelessness in allowing her husband to see — and share — the photos was deplorable. It is nearly impossible now that those images have been posted online to stop their proliferation. That your friend's husband would display such immaturity and poor judgment by showing them around is shocking.

DEAR ABBY: My wife and I are at opposite ends of the political spectrum: I am conservative; she is liberal. We do our best not to argue about our strongly held views, but sometimes we are unsuccessful.

My problem is, she'll have three TVs going, all tuned to

her favorite political channel, while doing housework. I find it annoying. I usually leave the room when she's going to do prolonged work in our home office and informs me that she will be listening to her channel. It's the three-TV thing that I would like stopped. What do you suggest? — **INUNDATED IN WASHINGTON**

DEAR INUNDATED: Your wife should show you the same consideration that you show to her. In this case, she does not have to have three TVs blaring "her" channel throughout your home while she does housecleaning. She should have ONE television set on in the room she is in.

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TRIVIA BY WILSON CASEY



Wilson Casey

"Trivia Fun" with Wilson Casey, Guinness World Record Holder from Woodruff, S.C., is published in more than 500 newspapers across the country. Comments, questions or suggestions? WC@TriviaGuy.com

1. What late comedian's quotes included, "Health nuts are going to feel stupid someday, lying in hospitals dying of nothing."?

2. IT departments share a common code, PEBKAC, which means "problem exists between keyboard and ...?"

3. What will she be drivin' in the folk tune, "She'll Be Comin' Round the Mountain"?

4. Which was the first U.S. company to feature automatic overdrive in their cars?

5. When was the first successful in-flight refueling of an aircraft made?

6. Statistically, what "pain" is the most common golf injury?

ANSWERS: 1. Redd Foxx, 2. Chair, 3. Six white horses, 4. Chrysler, 5. 1923, 6. Lower back

HOROSCOPES BY HOLIDAY MATHIS

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — Your goal really is to find the solutions that are best for everyone, and that's what you'll do — just as soon as people understand that your aim is true. Trust and rapport are built slowly. Put the other person first.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — You've been compromising quite a lot lately, mostly effectively, causing satisfaction throughout the group. This is excellent for your social life, but it's time to do something just for you, exactly the way you like it.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21) — The feeling that you'd like to escape will likely come when circumstances seem either too boring or too exciting. So go. If you can't remove yourself physically, a book or movie will do the trick.

CANCER (June 22-July 22) — There will be no lone geniuses today. Any greatness that happens will be a group effort. It doesn't even have to be a particularly good group to bring out your best today.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — You want to be seen in a certain way. Making that happen will be grueling, tedious, expensive and thankless work. So think about whether the result is really worth going all in, because that's what it will take.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — You don't have to like what you're asked to do to approach the request with good cheer. Your attitude will be what helps you rise to a new level of respect and prominence.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — You'll have your reasons for doing more today. You're not trying to impress anyone. This is about finding out what your limits really are. So go on and push yourself into uncomfortable (but not painful) territory.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21) — You'll switch the channel in your mind from the doubt and worry network to the action channel. Better results will come from overworking than from overthinking.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) — You think you're arguing about the truth, but if you're like most people, you aren't. Most arguments are to serve or eradicate a feeling. The truth will outlast the argument. The truth is inarguable.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Oscar Wilde once put it like this: "The world was my oyster, but I used the wrong fork!" Ignore social formalities at your own peril. If you don't know then read, ask or observe until you pick up on what you're supposed to do.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) — When people want what you have, it's both flattering and frustrating. They often act as if you got there by luck. Outsiders just don't realize the effort that went behind all this. It will be your job to enlighten.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) — Think it over; write about it; talk about it with a trusted friend. Self-reflection will help you uncover your motivation for upholding bad habits and help you find a healthier way to meet your needs.

SUDOKU

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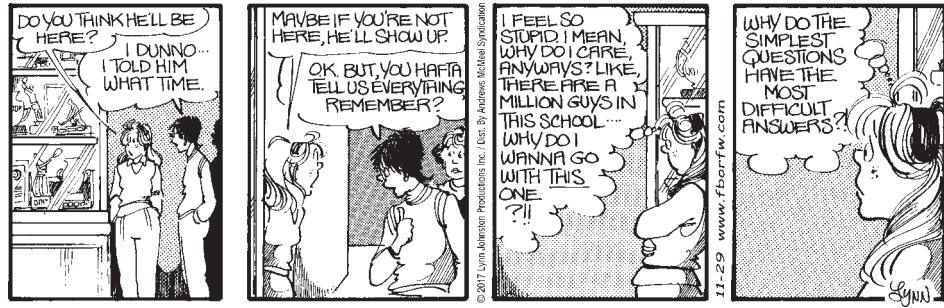
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Answer to yesterday's sudoku

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4	3	1	5	7	9	2	6	8
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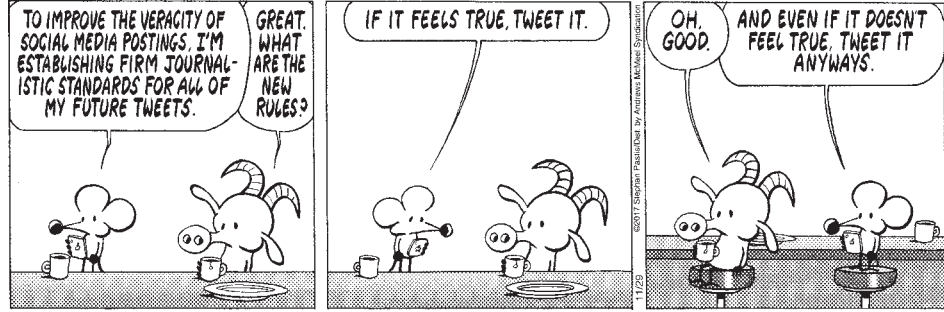
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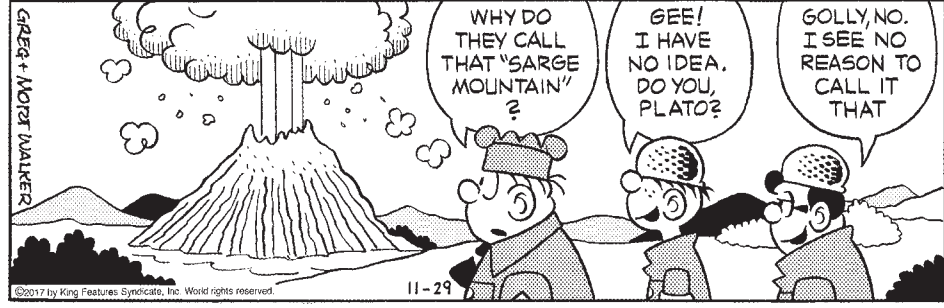
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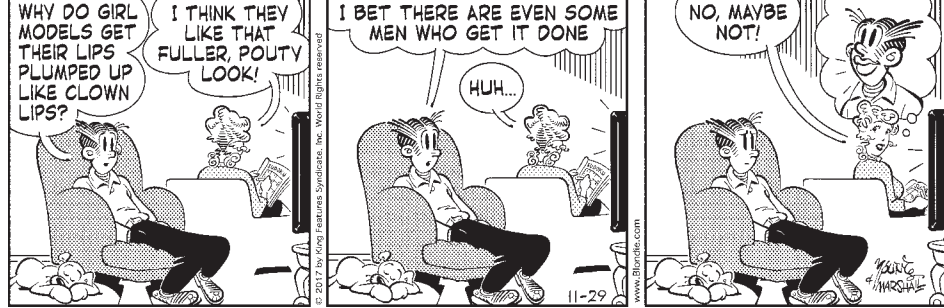
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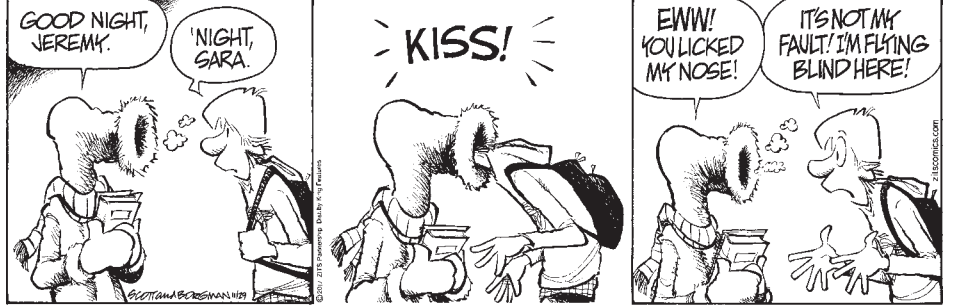
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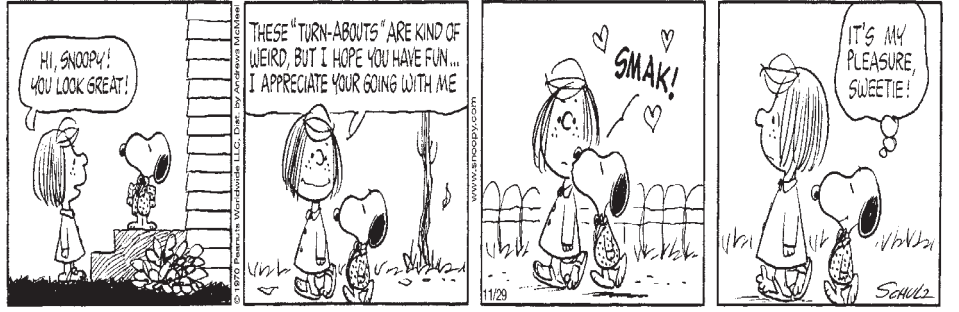
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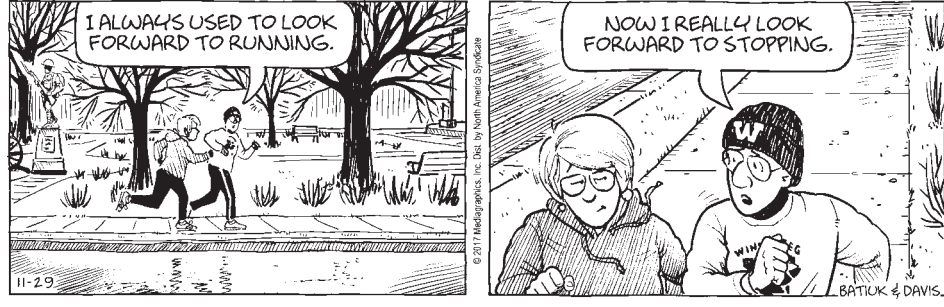
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PLUGGERS



Daily CROSSWORD

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 - Sleep in a tent
 - Water bird
 - Skybox locale
 - Thickening agent
 - Bright ring
 - Blockheads
 - Fiddling despot
 - Similar
 - Lb. or tsp.
 - Dads, to granddads
 - Rip off
 - Cosmetic purchase
 - Student
 - Kept out of sight
 - Rascal
 - Drive away
 - Listen in
 - Tool handle wood
 - Brinks
 - Gator Bowl st.
 - Of more importance
 - Dizzy
 - Lounges idly
 - Magnon man
 - Elastic
 - Wife-to-be
 - Shrink back in fear
 - Tax
 - Prow projection
- DOWN**
- Lady's title
 - Olfactory stimulus
 - Druids
 - Emmet
 - Holiday quaff
 - Huge flower
 - Seasons
 - Blemish the finish of
 - Mentors' concern
 - Resided
 - Bucket of song
 - Martini extra
 - Copier need
 - Law (abbr.)
 - Herr's abode
 - Ernesto Guevara
 - Tryst keeper
 - Shows violent anger
 - Uncooked
 - WNW opposite

PREVIOUS PUZZLE SOLVED

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RUBIK	CEDED	JAR
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FOOD



TIP OF THE WEEK

SETTING THE PERFECT HOLIDAY TABLE

A beautifully set table can elevate your holiday dinner from just great to simply perfect.

Tablecloths, placemats, table runners and chargers not only help protect your table from spills and scrapes, but they also create a lovely backdrop for dishes, glasses, stemware and — of course — the food.

GROCERY AISLE

WHAT ARE ANCIENT GRAINS?

Unlike wheat, barley or rice, which have been cultivated and modified to produce larger yields for thousands of years, ancient grains have not been changed by agricultural practices, according to howstuffworks.com.

Some of the most popular of these ancient grains include quinoa, sorghum, amaranth, teff, freekeh and chia seeds. These are all generally loaded with protein, fiber, essential vitamins and are gluten free.

— Brandpoint

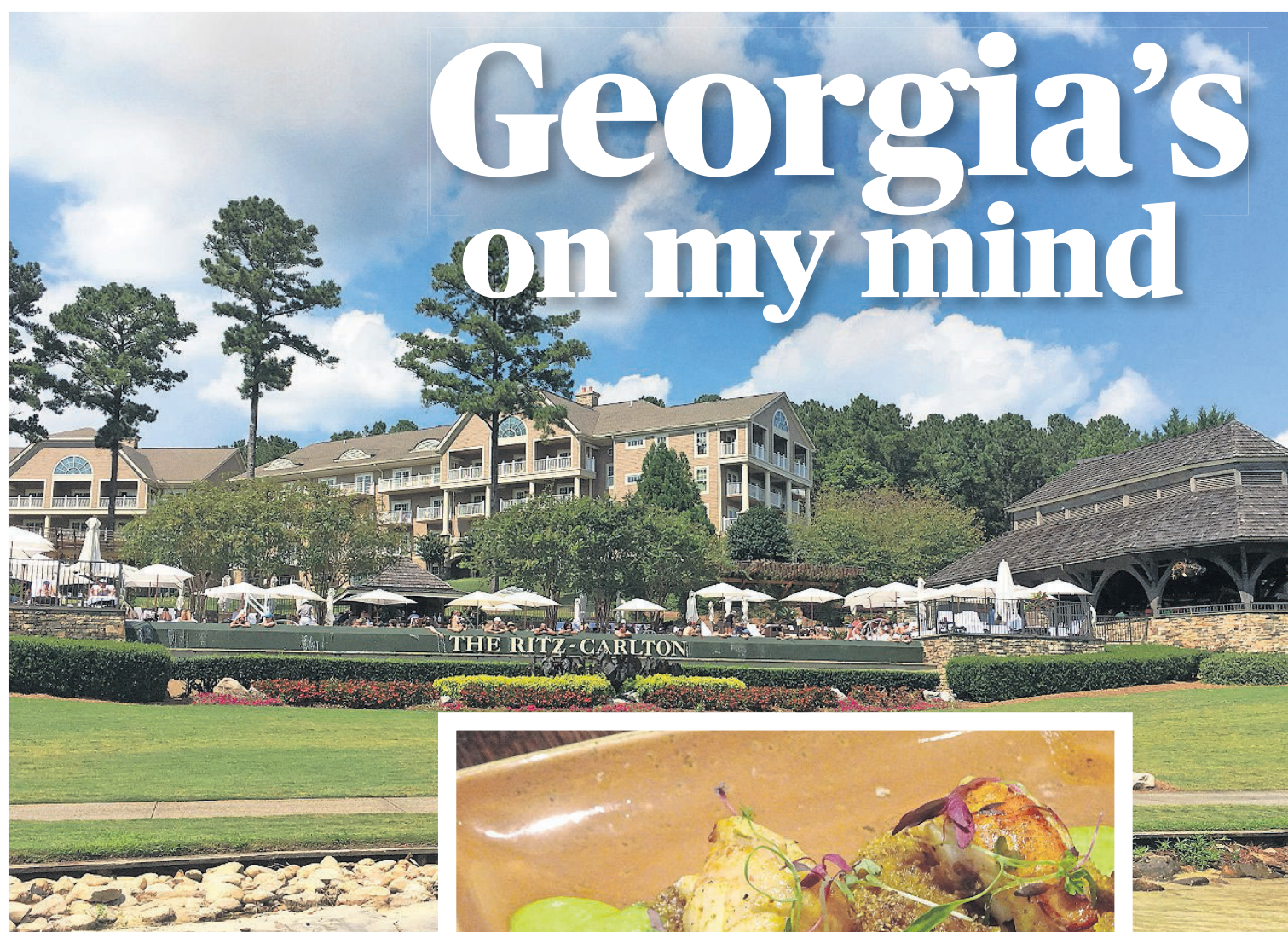
FOOD TECH

STUDY: PEOPLE EAT HEALTHIER WHEN OPTIONS ARE CHEAPER

A recent study found that Americans are more likely to eat a healthy diet if the price of healthier options is closer to non-healthy ones.

Drexel University researchers found that healthier perishable foods are, on average, twice as expensive as unhealthy foods.

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Whip up Ritz-Carlton restaurant specialty

By Charlene Peters
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An orchestra of cicadas provides a symphony of sound along the path that leads from my suite at the Ritz-Carlton Reynolds to the beach at man-made Lake Oconee in Georgia. I arrived to clean air and a forest whose warmth defies autumn, as does the resort's nightly ritual of campfires and s'mores.

Like New Yorkers who flee to the Hamptons on summer weekends, Atlantans take the hour-plus drive east to recuperate and rejuvenate here from city life, with family in tow. Unlike its glitzy sister properties, this Ritz is focused on family fun and memory-making in luxurious comfort.

The goal of my weekend in Lake Oconee was to slow my frenetic pace, breathe deeply and, of course, sink my teeth into the local food culture. Of the resort's three restaurants, I chose my first Georgia dinner at the Linger Longer Steakhouse, whose name admirably described my mindset. After a meal of scallops with Georgia peaches and hickory-smoked filet mignon, the resort's family-oriented nature surfaced when a colorful cone of cotton candy was placed in the center of the table. To proclaim my own adulthood, I washed

the pink sugary fluff down with a vodka-and-sweet-tea cocktail.

The South's well-known culinary pride was showcased the following day during lunch at the resort's casual Gaby's by the Lake, with memorably delicious nachos topped with house-smoked pulled pork. I contemplated eating that same dish again as I sunned by the pool on my last day at the resort, but I was too filled up with Georgia peach anything/everything. Peaches aside, my tastiest discovery occurred one evening at the on-resort Georgia's, where I was introduced to the most scrumptious plate of fried green tomatoes topped with lobster.

As at all of its properties, the option to purchase "inside access" via a Ritz-Carlton Club membership is a benefit for those who'd like to dine, snack or grab a glass of bubbly in between regular restaurant meals. As an honorary member for the weekend, I enjoyed breakfast in the club every morning, and lunch one day was a delightful smoked trout sandwich accompanied by barbecue potato chips that were house-made.

A harvest dinner served on a table set within the forest at the resort was my farewell meal, and it was magical.

PHOTOS: CHARLENE PETERS



Georgia's Fried Green Tomatoes

For the marinade:

- 3 to 4 medium green tomatoes
- 1 quart buttermilk
- ¼ cup Georgia's Southern Spice (or your own)

Whisk spices into buttermilk and let the sliced tomatoes sit in the mix for at least 2 hours.

For the breading:

- 1 cup all-purpose flour
- 1 cup panko breadcrumbs
- 1 cup cornmeal
- ¼ cup Georgia's Southern Spice (or your own)

Blend the panko a bit for a finer texture, but not too much or you will lose some crunch.

Pull tomatoes out of the buttermilk and cover in breading, pressing lightly to ensure it sticks well.

Let the tomatoes sit for 5 minutes in the breading.

Bread them again and fry at 375 degrees until golden brown and starting to float, approximately 2-3 minutes. Remove from fryer and drain on a metal rack.

Finish with some nice sea salt and top with pieces of lobster and (optional) dollops of Lemon Herb Mayo.

— Courtesy Chef Shaun Thomas of Georgia's

Pecan pie always a special holiday treat



Prudence Hilburn

It is time to start planning those special holiday meals, including the rich desserts we enjoy at this time of the year.

One dessert that comes to mind is pecan pie. Using fresh cranberries helps to reduce the sweetness a little.

Cranberry Pecan Pie

- 3 eggs
- 1 cup light corn syrup
- 2/3 cup firmly-packed light brown sugar
- 4 tablespoons melted butter
- 2 teaspoons finely grated fresh orange peel

- ¾ cup fresh cranberries, chopped
- 1 unbaked 9-inch pie crust
- 1 cup pecan halves

Preheat oven to 325 degrees. In large bowl, beat eggs with a fork until blended. Stir in corn syrup, brown sugar, butter and orange peel. Sprinkle cranberries in pie crust. Arrange pecan halves on top of cranberries. Pour syrup mixture carefully over pecans. Bake for 50 to 55 minutes, or until filling is set. If the edge of crust browns too quickly, cover with a strip of foil to prevent further browning.

Fried Pecan Pies

- 1 cup firmly-packed light brown sugar
- 1 tablespoon flour
- 3 lightly-beaten eggs
- 1 cup light corn syrup
- 4 tablespoons butter

- 1 cup chopped toasted pecans
- 2 cups self rising flour (see note below)
- ¼ cup shortening
- ½ cup milk
- Oil for frying

In heavy saucepan, combine brown sugar and the tablespoon of flour. Mix well. Add eggs, corn syrup and butter. Bring to a boil. Reduce heat to medium low and cook, stirring continuously until mixture has thickened. This probably will take 6 to 8 minutes. Stir in toasted pecans. Refrigerate until completely cool.

Heat oil (about ¾ inch deep) in electric skillet to 350 degrees. Combine self-rising flour, shortening and milk in bowl of food processor. Process until mixture forms a ball. Turn out onto floured surface. Knead until slightly firmer than biscuit dough. Divide into

6 to 8 portions. Roll each ball into circle about 5 to 6 inches in diameter. Dough should be thin.

Place about ¼ cup of filling in center of each circle. Fold to form a half-moon shape. Press edges with a fork to seal well. Gently push fork into top and bottom of each pie 3 or 4 times. Place into hot oil and fry until golden brown.

NOTE: If using all-purpose flour for the dough, add 3 teaspoons baking powder and ½ teaspoon salt to the 2 cups all-purpose flour.

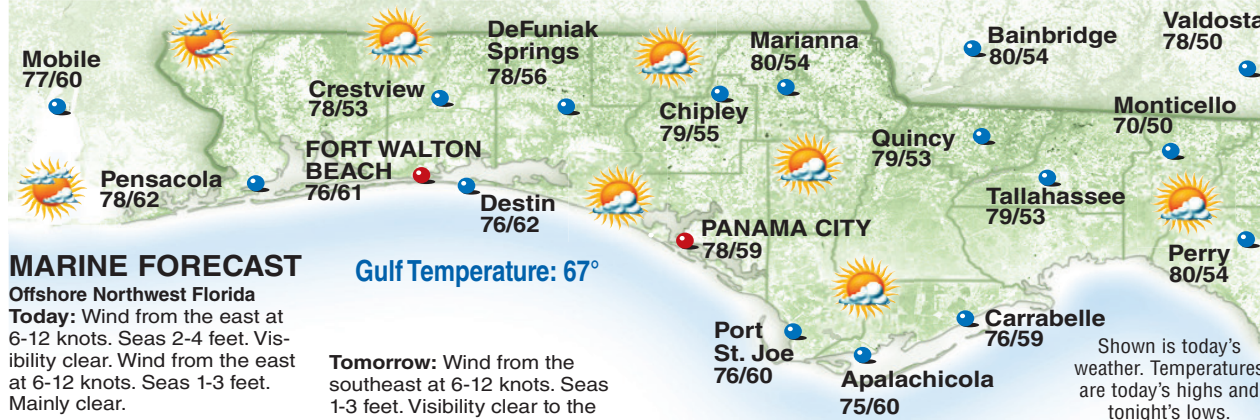
— Prudence Hilburn of Piedmont, Alabama, has won national cooking awards and written several cookbooks. Write her at prudencehilburn@aol.com or visit www.prudencehilburn.com.

WEATHER

FIVE DAY FORECAST FOR NORTHWEST FLORIDA

TODAY	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Partly sunny and pleasant today. Winds northeast 4-8 mph. Mainly clear tonight. Winds light and variable.				
High 78° Low 59°	75°/59°	75°/58°	75°/55°	74°/55°
6 a.m. Noon 6 p.m. 58° 77° 67° Winds: E 4-8 mph	Times of clouds and sun Winds: S 4-8 mph	Clouds and sun with a shower or two Winds: SSW 3-6 mph	A shower in the a.m.; mostly cloudy Winds: N 4-8 mph	Sunshine and pleasant Winds: NNE 4-8 mph

REGIONAL WEATHER



MARINE FORECAST

Offshore Northwest Florida
Today: Wind from the east at 6-12 knots. Seas 2-4 feet. Visibility clear. Wind from the east at 6-12 knots. Seas 1-3 feet. Mainly clear.

Gulf Temperature: 67°

Tomorrow: Wind from the southeast at 6-12 knots. Seas 1-3 feet. Visibility clear to the horizon.

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through 4 p.m. yesterday
Panama City Temperatures
 High/low 76°/47°
 Last year's High/low 74°/54°
 Normal high/low 69°/48°
 Record high 81° (2001)
 Record low 32° (2013)
Precipitation
 24 hours through 4 p.m. ... 0.00"
 Month to date 0.04"
 Normal month to date 4.11"
 Year to date 57.43"
 Normal year to date 56.70"
 Average humidity 66%
Fort Walton Beach Temperatures
 High/low 74°/52°
 Last year's High/low 78°/61°
 Normal high/low 67°/51°
 Record high 83° (1998)
 Record low 21° (1956)
Precipitation
 24 hours through 4 p.m. ... 0.00"
 Month to date 0.57"
 Normal month to date 4.21"
 Year to date 60.96"
 Normal year to date 57.35"
 Average humidity 61%

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Time	UV Index
10 a.m.	2
Noon	3
2 p.m.	3
4 p.m.	1

0-2 Low; 3-5 Moderate; 6-7 High; 8-10 Very High; 11+ Extreme

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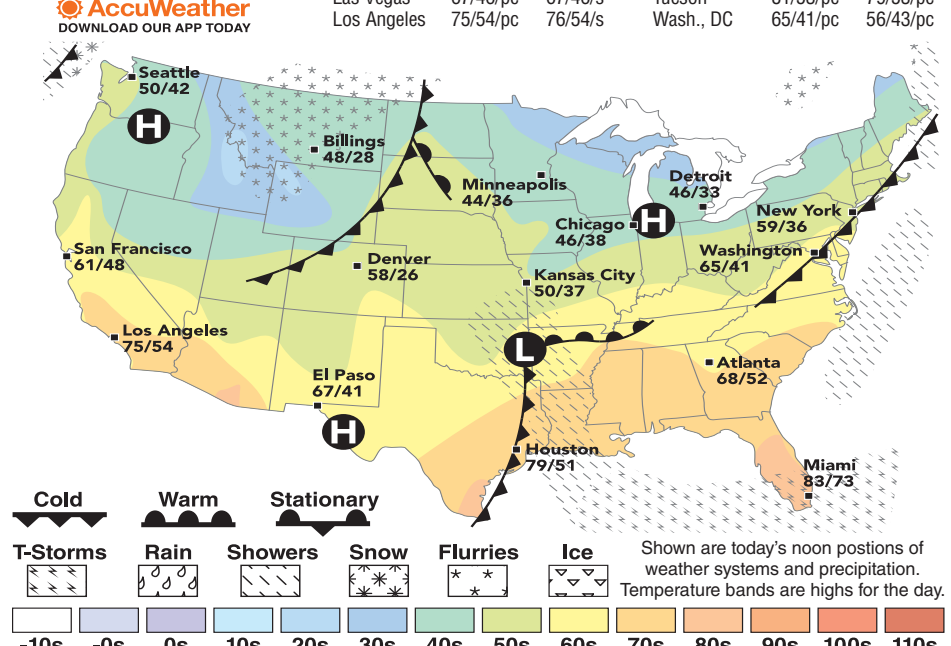
TIDES

Location	High	Low
Apalachicola	12:38p	6:54a
Destin	7:56a	3:59a
West Pass	12:11p	6:27a
Panama City	11:41p	5:43p
Port St. Joe	7:16a	3:43a
Okaloosa Island	7:24p	10:59a
Milton	2:17a	12:26a
East Bay	9:19a	4:56a
Pensacola	6:29a	3:05a
Fishing Bend	6:26p	10:57a
The Narrows	10:09a	6:20a
Carrabelle	10:06p	2:12p
	9:13a	5:50a
	9:10p	1:42p
	8:29a	4:33a
	8:26p	12:25p
	9:10a	5:24a
	9:07p	1:16p
	10:06a	7:24a
	10:03p	3:16p
	10:13a	3:41a
	9:43p	2:57p

RIVER LEVELS

Location	Level	Flood Stage
Apalachicola	2.01 ft.	15 ft.
Blountstown	4.53 ft.	12 ft.
Choctawhatchee	34.52 ft.	42 ft.
Caryville	5.47 ft.	17 ft.
Alabama	1.00 ft.	29 ft.
Clairborne		
Escambia		
Century		
Tombigbee		
Coffeeville, AL		

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Clearwater	81/65/pc	79/63/pc	Lakeland	81/62/pc	80/58/pc
Daytona Beach	78/63/pc	77/59/sh	Melbourne	81/68/c	79/64/sh
Ft. Lauderdale	81/72/pc	81/69/pc	Miami	83/73/pc	83/69/pc
Gainesville	79/53/pc	77/51/pc	Naples	83/67/pc	83/64/pc
Jacksonville	78/55/pc	77/54/pc	Ocala	80/56/pc	79/53/pc
Jupiter	80/72/t	79/69/sh	Okeechobee	80/64/c	79/60/pc
Key Largo	80/73/r	80/71/pc	Orlando	80/62/pc	79/58/pc
Key West	81/73/c	81/72/pc	Palm Beach	81/73/t	80/71/pc
Lake City	78/54/pc	77/54/pc	Tampa	83/65/pc	82/62/pc

WORLD CITIES

City	Today	Thu.	City	Today	Thu.
Baghdad	71/47/s	72/49/s	Mexico City	72/42/s	70/40/pc
Berlin	39/31/c	38/29/c	Montreal	37/20/s	37/32/c
Bermuda	71/65/pc	71/66/pc	Nassau	83/71/sh	84/70/pc
Hong Kong	79/69/pc	79/64/pc	Paris	43/36/c	40/32/c
Jerusalem	62/47/s	62/47/s	Rome	59/45/r	58/41/r
Kabul	55/28/s	56/28/s	Tokyo	64/52/s	54/44/r
London	44/30/pc	39/35/pc	Toronto	42/27/s	44/33/r
Madrid	54/27/sh	50/27/pc	Vancouver	49/41/r	47/40/r

NATIONAL CITIES

City	Today	Thu.	City	Today	Thu.
Albuquerque	56/38/pc	58/40/pc	Memphis	69/54/pc	67/41/c
Anchorage	32/23/sf	26/18/s	Milwaukee	44/36/s	49/32/pc
Atlanta	68/52/s	69/54/pc	Minneapolis	44/36/s	44/28/s
Baltimore	63/34/s	52/42/pc	Nashville	68/48/pc	66/41/sh
Birmingham	72/54/pc	69/51/sh	New Orleans	75/62/pc	75/57/sh
Boston	56/30/pc	43/39/pc	New York City	59/36/s	48/42/pc
Charlotte	71/42/s	63/47/pc	Oklahoma City	57/37/pc	60/36/pc
Chicago	46/38/s	51/31/pc	Philadelphia	62/37/s	51/42/pc
Cincinnati	57/40/pc	53/32/sh	Phoenix	79/60/pc	81/58/pc
Cleveland	48/34/s	51/35/sh	Pittsburgh	52/32/pc	53/33/sh
Dallas	68/45/c	71/45/s	St. Louis	55/48/c	57/32/pc
Denver	58/26/pc	54/33/s	Salt Lake City	47/27/s	46/31/s
Detroit	46/33/s	47/32/sh	San Antonio	76/50/pc	78/52/s
Honolulu	85/75/pc	84/73/c	San Diego	68/55/pc	69/53/s
Houston	79/51/pc	77/49/s	San Francisco	50/42/c	63/49/s
Indianapolis	55/41/pc	53/32/sh	Seattle	51/48/c	48/41/r
Kansas City	50/37/pc	55/30/s	Topeka	52/36/pc	57/29/s
Las Vegas	67/46/pc	67/46/pc	Tucson	81/53/pc	79/53/pc
Los Angeles	75/54/pc	76/54/s	Wash., DC	65/41/pc	56/43/pc

FLASH IN THE PAN



Bones about it

Making soup from scratch

By Ari LeVaux
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To properly appreciate bone soup is to potentially upend how you view meat itself. While most meat eaters focus on the muscle flesh, a brotharian values the bones even more. Muscle meat has protein, but so does a bowl of rice and beans. Bones contain different things, a diverse cocktail of nutrients that become available in stages, as the bones cook. After a few hours of heat, the tendon, cartilage and other pieces of connective tissue attached to bones begin to melt into collagen, gelatin and other base proteins that are hard to get from non-animal sources. Just ask any vegetarian Jell-O lover. Those melted connective tissues are good for our own connective tissues, helping them rebuild. Many prefer to cook their bones even longer, in order to extract minerals like calcium. A common practice is to add a tablespoon of vinegar to the bones to enhance the mineral leaching. The difference between stock and broth is that broth is ready to eat while stock is an ingredient. In fact it's the primary ingredient in broth. Stock is low-key, while broth can be colorful and indulgent. Stock is uncommitted and versatile, while broth is just a few added ingredients away from being soup. Unadulterated stock is not something you would want to drink, unless you've added salt and some kind of fat. At which point you would be drinking broth.



- When fat has melted off and everything is brown, allow to cool. Then transfer the bones to your cooking pot. (In the case of bird-bone stock, cook until soft, and after it cools fish the bones out of the meat and skin and proceed with the extracted bones, reserving the meat for later.) Or do the same with a rotisserie chicken, and proceed.
- What happens next can be done on a stovetop over the course of several hours at low to medium heat. I prefer to use the Instant Pot, a multifunction electric cooker thing that has all kinds of functions, but I've only used it as a pressure cooker. And that alone has made the unit well worth the price. I pressure cook my bones for 60 minutes of high pressure, and let the unit cool down until the pressure is gone and the lid will open. Alternatively, simmer the bones on the stovetop for about six hours.
- For a pho-style broth, along with the bones add a pod of star anise, a three-inch piece of cinnamon, two cloves and three cardamom pods for a two-gallon batch, along with some fried ginger coins, a pan-blackened quartered onion and an apple.

- Strain the bones (and spices), and let the stock cool slowly to room temperature, then put it in the fridge. After it cools completely, the solid fat can easily be removed.
- When making a soup of chicken, duck or beef bones, I will leave an amount of fat that I think will taste good with what I'll be serving. When in doubt, take it out; you can always add the fat back later when the soup is cooking. If I'm making stock to freeze, I'll skim all the fat out.
- To make a general stock or broth, add aromatic veggies like carrots, celery and onion, and cook at a gentle simmer for an hour or two.
- You can dress it up at serving time. Start with salt or soy sauce. If it needs fat, and you don't have any skimmed fat reserved from earlier, use a good olive oil. Sauces, like hoisin or hot, can be added, along with cilantro, parsley, sliced peppers, raw onions and lemongrass, grated ginger and garlic, and a dusting of black pepper.

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FOOD

Why a strong-tasting, oily fish is showing up on restaurant menus

By Maura Judkis
The Washington Post

You probably didn't expect to see sardines on the list of 2017 food trends. The small, oily fish have an assertive flavor that can be a turnoff for some. Most people associate them with cans, which runs contrary to our notion that the best food is fresh. They feel like a throwback to an era when people didn't understand exactly how good food could be.

Americans "weren't going to embrace grandpa's can of sardines on the supermarket shelf," says Elizabeth Moskow, culinary director for the Sterling-Rice Group, a branding agency that put sardines on its trend forecast for the year. But high-quality canned sardines, as well as fresh ones, are making more appearances on restaurant menus. "I think the American palate may be ready for something as strong as sardines," Moskow says.

Sardines are high in omega-3 fatty acids, which may reduce the risk of heart disease. They're also environmentally friendly, because they're lower on the food chain.

"They were considered kind of a trash fish, and not something as prized as they currently are or could be in the

future," says Jon Sybert, chef and co-owner of Washington's Tail Up Goat restaurant, which has rotated through several sardine dishes throughout the year. He particularly likes preparing them in a salt crust, which keeps them super moist, and serving them with a rye bread.

The sardine's popularity is benefiting from a recent wave of travel to Portugal, one of this year's "it" destinations. There, tourists encounter tinned sardines with beautiful packaging, canned in high-quality oils, often with spices, pickles or peppers.

"The reality is you can't get fresher," says Kathy Sidell, owner of the Saltie Girl restaurant in Boston, pointing out that the fish are often canned directly off the docks. Saltie Girl has sold sardines fried, grilled, marinated and canned, served with bread and butter, similar to how the fish are presented in Portugal. "We often say it's like a charcuterie board, but with seafood," she notes.

At Mola, a Spanish restaurant in Washington, you'll find a house-cured sardine plate with an aioli and piquillo pepper, a riff on a dish co-owner Erin Lingle had in Madrid, or pan-roasted sardines with paprika vinaigrette and a side of Swiss chard.

These chicken breasts are delightfully stuffed

But the recipe won't leave your family feeling that way

By Ellie Krieger
Special to
The Washington Post

Stuffing a chicken breast might seem like a fussy thing to do - something reserved for a weekend project. But it is really an easy way to elevate a rush-hour dinner. This recipe is case in point, as a mixture of roasted red peppers,

green olives, fresh basil and mozzarella add punchy antipasto flavors and oozy, melted-cheese appeal to a simple chicken-and-greens meal.

After cutting a three-inch-long slice into the thick part of the breast to form a pocket, you pack it with the four-ingredient filling, season the chicken and cook it in a skillet for a few minutes per side. Then, while the breast pieces rest on a plate, you take advantage of

the browned bits left in the skillet by making a fast pan sauce. Some garlic is sauteed in olive oil in the same skillet first, then a half cup of chicken broth is added to dissolve that deeply flavorful fond left from the chicken. A finishing splash of red wine vinegar wakes it with a subtle tang.

The chicken breast, golden brown with bits of the bountiful stuffing visible, is served on top of arugula leaves (baby spinach would work as

well) and the pan sauce is drizzled over the plate, wilting the leaves slightly and making for a luscious, warm dressing. The result is a quick, easy and healthful dinner that is far from basic.

Krieger is a registered dietitian, nutritionist and author who hosts public television's "Ellie's Real Good Food." She blogs and offers a weekly newsletter at www.elliestikrieger.com.

Roasted Red Pepper Stuffed Chicken Breasts

4 servings

A four-ingredient stuffing adds punchy antipasto flavors and oozy, melted-cheese appeal to chicken breast which cooked in a skillet, then served over greens and drizzled with a fast, flavorful, warm pan sauce. It's a quick, easy and healthful upgrade from basic chicken and greens.

Choose chicken breast halves that are about the same size, for ease of cooking.

Ingredients

- 4 boneless, skinless chicken breast halves (1 ¾ pounds total, not thick-cut; without tenderloins)
- ½ cup shredded part-skim mozzarella cheese

- ¼ cup finely chopped roasted red pepper
- 2 tablespoons pitted, chopped green olives
- 1 tablespoon chopped fresh basil leaves (may substitute 1 teaspoon dried basil)
- ¼ teaspoon salt
- ¼ teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- ½ cup no-salt-added chicken broth
- 1 tablespoon red wine vinegar
- 4 cups baby arugula leaves

Steps

Cut a 3-inch long pocket into the thick side of each chicken breast (without cutting all the way through to the other side). Combine the cheese,

roasted red pepper, olives and basil in a medium bowl, to form the filling. Stuff some into the pocket of each chicken breast, using all of it. Season the outside of the chicken with 1/8 teaspoon each salt and pepper.

Heat 1 tablespoon of oil in a large skillet over medium heat. Once the oil shimmers, add the stuffed chicken breasts and cook for 4 to 5 minutes per side, until the cheese has melted, then transfer to a plate. The chicken should be cooked through.

Add the remaining tablespoon of oil to the same skillet. Once it's hot, add the garlic and cook, stirring, for 30 seconds, then pour in the broth. Once the liquid begins to bubble at the edges, stir to dissolve any browned bits in the pan. Add the vinegar and the remaining 1/8 teaspoon each salt and pepper, stirring to incorporate.

To serve, divide the arugula among individual plates. Top each portion with a stuffed chicken breast, then drizzle with the pan juices. Serve warm.

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Tyndall Airman essential to job well done at Red Flag 17-3

By Tasha Adams
Lynn Haven, Fla. (Gulf Defender Staff)

TYNDALL AIR FORCE — Red Flag 17-3 can be a demanding task for many pilots. It's a multi-day exercise that involves a lot of flying and a lot of coordination. It's a team effort and it's essential to the success of the exercise.

U.S. Air Force Capt. Ryan Peterson, 20th Air Force Operations Squadron crew chief, stands in front of an F-16 Fighting Falcon at Tyndall Air Force Base, Fla. Peterson is one of the many crew chiefs who are essential to the success of the exercise.

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The Board of Directors (the "Board") of the Florida PACE Funding Agency, a public body corporate and politic, (the "Agency"), hereby provides notice, pursuant to Sections 163.08(2), (3) and (4) and 197.3632(3)(a), Florida Statutes, of its intent to use the uniform method of collecting non-ad valorem assessments for more than one year to be levied within the area encompassed by the boundaries of every county in Florida, to wit: Alachua County, Baker County, Bay County, Bradford County, Brevard County, Broward County, Calhoun County, Charlotte County, Citrus County, Clay County, Collier County, Columbia County, Miami-Dade County, DeSoto County, Dixie County, Duval County, Escambia County, Flagler County, Franklin County, Gadsden County, Gilchrist County, Glades County, Gulf County, Hamilton County, Hardee County, Hendry County, Hernando County, Highlands County, Hillsborough County, Holmes County, Indian River County, Jackson County, Jefferson County, Lafayette County, Lake County, Lee County, Leon County, Levy County, Liberty County, Madison County, Manatee County, Marion County, Martin County, Monroe County, Nassau County, Okaloosa County, Okeechobee County, Orange County, Osceola County, Palm Beach County, Pasco County, Pinellas County, Polk County, Putnam County, Santa Rosa County, Sarasota County, Seminole County, St. Johns County, St. Lucie County, Sumter County, Suwannee County, Taylor County, Union County, Volusia County, Wakulla County, Walton County, and Washington County, or any of the municipalities therein, subscribing to or served by the Agency's statewide provision of funding and financing to construct or pay for energy conservation and efficiency improvements, renewable energy improvements and wind resistance improvements in accordance with Section 163.08, Florida Statutes (collectively, the "Qualifying Improvements"). By law and resolution of the Agency, a property owner may apply to the Agency for funding and financing of a Qualifying Improvement. The non-ad valorem assessments contemplated by this notice are voluntary and are only imposed by the Agency with the prior written consent authorized by or on behalf of affected property owners who determine to obtain financing for Qualifying Improvements from the



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Agency. The Agency is authorized by law to fund and finance Qualifying Improvements and is required to annually collect repayment by non-ad valorem assessments. The Board will consider the adoption of a resolution electing to use the uniform method of collecting such assessments as authorized by Section 197.3632, Florida Statutes, at a public hearing to be held at 1:00 p.m. EST, December 6, 2017, at the River to Sea Transportation Planning Organization Executive Conference Room, 2570 W International Speedway Boulevard, Suite 100, Daytona Beach, Florida. Such resolution will state the need for the levy and will contain a legal description of the real property that may be subject to the levy - which is the entirety of the State of Florida. Copies of the proposed form of resolution are on file at the office of Counterpointe Energy Solutions (FL) LLC, Third Party Administrator for the Florida PACE Funding Agency, 6401 Congress Avenue, Suite 200, Boca Raton, Florida 33487, email: gov@counterpointe.com. All interested persons are invited to present oral comments at the public hearing and/or submit written comments to the Board at the above address. Written comments should be received by the Agency on or before December 5, 2017. Any persons desiring to present oral comments should appear at the public hearing.

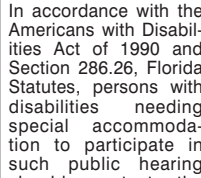
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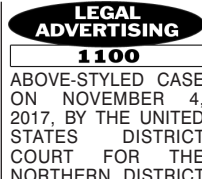
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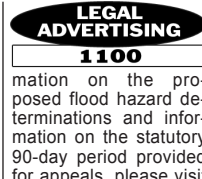
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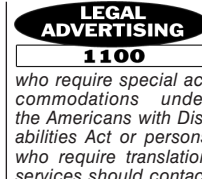
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Unmanned aerial drone squadron to employ 1,600 personnel, boost economy

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TYNDALL AIR FORCE BASE — Tyndall Air Force Base's workforce will increase by more than a third after the Air Force on Tuesday named the base its preferred location for a new unmanned aerial drone wing.

The MQ-9 Reaper Wing could bring in, according to various estimates, from 1,400 to 1,600 airmen and their dependents. The base

currently employs about 3,500 military members, along with 1,200 civilians and 1,500 contractors.

"We have the space over there and the infrastructure," said U.S. Rep. Neal Dunn, R-Panama City, who has advocated for Tyndall's selection since his election. "It will bring a tremendous boost to our region. Tyndall is a perfect location for this new wing, and this community will welcome the new airmen and their families who come to live and work here with open arms."

Dunn said he wasn't "prepared to guess" the local economic impact but that "it will be huge."

"As additional personnel from the MQ-9 community are assigned, this will mean an increase of our footprint, not only on our economic impact, but also in the Bay County and Panama City community, Tyndall spokesman Don Arias said. "As of 2014, Tyndall's total economic impact was \$605 million."

The MQ-9 is an armed unmanned aerial vehicle that can perform combat, surveillance and reconnaissance missions, according to a news release from Dunn's office. The Reaper has a wingspan of 66 feet, a range of 1,000 nautical miles, and a

See **TYNDALL, A8**



An MQ-9 Reaper performs during an air show demonstration May 29, 2016, at Cannon Air Force Base, N.M. Tyndall Air Force Base on Tuesday was selected to house the MQ-9 Reaper Wing, which is expected to bring up to 1,600 personnel. [MASTER SGT. DENNIS J. HENRY JR./AIR FORCE]

Airport looks west



A station manager directs a Delta flight from Atlanta to the gate at Northwest Florida Beaches International Airport on Tuesday. Next summer more direct and non-stop flights will come in and out of the airport.



A Delta flight from Atlanta lands at Northwest Florida Beaches International Airport on Tuesday. [PHOTOS BY JOSHUA BOUCHER/THE NEWS HERALD]

ECP adding Denver, Vegas, Phoenix flights in summer 2018

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WEST BAY — The new summer schedule for Northwest Florida Beaches International Airport includes new routes out west and a major revamping of the direct flight schedule.

New flights to Denver, Phoenix and Las Vegas have been added, in addition to

numerous other non-stop and direct destinations. For the second year, Southwest also is bringing back non-stop flights to Austin, Texas, and Chicago, and all of the airlines are increasing flight activity or adding larger aircrafts to their fleet during the season, airport officials said.

"We had a very successful summer season this year with

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Family with 7 adopted to be on 'Today'

Olds family's story to air next week on NBC morning show

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SPRINGFIELD — A local couple who adopted seven siblings out of foster care will have their story go national on NBC's "Today" show next week.

Camera crews spent two days with DaShoan and Sofia Olds at the Marianna home they now share with Necia, twins Erica and Eric, Zavian, Dava, Keyon and Gentry, and at Rutherford High School where DaShoan Olds is a math teacher and track coach.

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TENSIONS RISE AGAIN

North Korea launches ballistic missile, Yonhap news agency reports

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READER FEEDBACK

A threat, which turned out to be false, that someone had planted explosives at a local school Tuesday led to evacuations and lockdowns as well as an outpouring of comments on The News Herald's Facebook page.

Sarah Evanko: "In today's society full of hatred and road rage and general unpleasantness you can't take these threats lightly I hope they expel the student responsible. God help our children they will never know what it was like to worry about going anywhere with out getting shot or blown up, great job America."

Mandy Holliger: "The kid that called in the threat stated that he was "upset with some people". Is it possible these kids that called in the threat were being bullied? Why these kids did this is what we need to find out."

Nancy Myers: "I don't think the reason matters. Fact is a bomb treat was made and there needs to be consequences."

Patricia Sauls: "There should be amber alerts for when schools go on lockdown and bomb threats!!! The parents need to know when the school officials know. First hand!"

Debbie Rowlee: "I wish there was real punishment for this. smh."

Michelle Rush: "Please find this person and prosecute them too. Ggrrr."

Shiloh Keller: "Someone probably wanted to get out of a math test."

Lexi Lou Kristen: "Some of us have children that go to that school so excuse me for not seeing the humor in a bomb threat."

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Madison McLean of Southport is 13. **Madalyn Olivia Ward** of Panama City Beach is 13.



McLean



Ward

Hall of Fame sportscaster **Vin Scully** is 90. Former French President **Jacques Chirac** is 85. Actress **Diane Ladd** is 82. Composer-musician **Chuck Mangione** is 77. Former Olympic skier **Suzy Chaffee** is 71. Movie director **Joel Coen** is 63. Actor-comedian-celebrity judge **Howie Mandel** is 62. Actress **Cathy Moriarty** is 57. Actor **Andrew McCarthy** is 55. Actor **Don Cheadle** is 53. Pop singer **Jonathan Knight** (New Kids on the Block) is 49. Contemporary Christian singer **Crowder** is 46. Rapper **The Game** is 38.

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The Empty Stocking Fund began more than 30 years ago, when Salvation Army board member Tommy Thomas and The News Herald joined forces to bring holiday cheer to the area's needy families. The first goal was \$20,000. The fund's target has grown since and the campaign has raised more than \$4 million. This year's goal is \$185,000.

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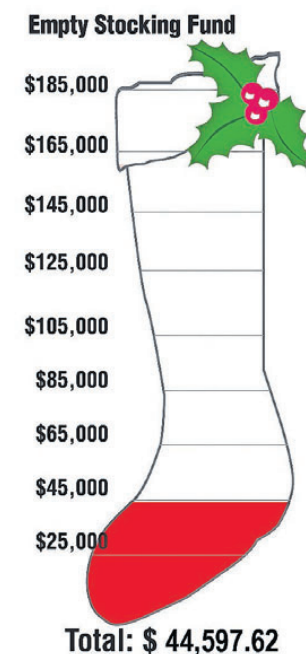
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TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is **Wednesday, Nov. 29**, the 333rd day of 2017. There are 32 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On **Nov. 29, 1947**, the U.N. General Assembly passed a resolution calling for the partitioning of Palestine between Arabs and Jews; 33 members, including the United States, voted in favor of the resolution, 13 voted against while 10 abstained. (The plan, rejected by the Arabs, never was implemented.)

On this date:
In 1890, the first Army-Navy football game was played at West Point, New York; Navy defeated Army, 24-0. The Imperial Diet, forerunner of Japan's current national legislature, opened its first session.

In 1956, the musical comedy "Bells Are Ringing," starring Judy Holliday, opened on Broadway.

In 1961, Enos the chimp was launched from Cape Canaveral aboard the Mercury-Atlas 5 spacecraft, which orbited Earth twice before returning.

In 1972, the coin-operated video arcade game Pong, created by Atari, made its debut at Andy Capp's Tavern in Sunnyvale, California.

In 1981, actress Natalie Wood drowned in a boating accident off Santa Catalina Island, California, at age 43.

In 1986, actor Cary Grant died in Davenport, Iowa, at age 82.

In 1987, a Korean Air 707 jetliner en route from Abu Dhabi to Bangkok was destroyed by a bomb planted by North Korean agents with the loss of all 115 people aboard.

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Millie Bostwick
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Pick 2 Midday: 5-3
Pick 3 Evening: 1-0-3
Pick 3 Midday: 4-1-9
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Elizabeth Mitchell submitted this picture, writing, "A beautiful Thanksgiving afternoon at Mexico Beach."

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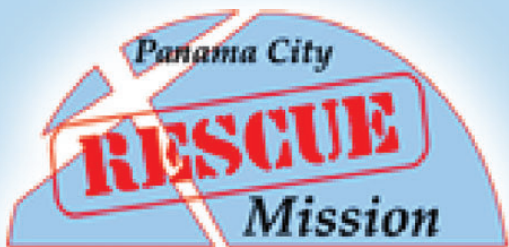
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NATION & WORLD

NKorea ends pause in testing with launch

By Lolita C. Baldor and Robert Burns
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — North Korea abruptly ended a 10-week pause in its weapons testing Tuesday by launching what the Pentagon said was an intercontinental ballistic missile — possibly its longest-range test yet — a move that will escalate already high tensions with Washington.

Pentagon spokesman Col. Rob Manning said the missile was launched from Sain Ni, North Korea, and traveled about 620 miles before landing in the Sea of Japan within 200 nautical miles of Japan's coast. It flew for 53 minutes, Japan's defense minister said.

South Korea, a key U.S. ally separated from the North by a highly militarized border, responded with shorter-range missile tests of its own to mimic striking the North Korea launch site, which it said lies not far from the North Korean capital.

The launch is North Korea's first since it fired an intermediate range missile over Japan on Sept. 15, and it appeared to shatter chances that the hiatus could lead to renewed diplomacy over the reclusive country's nuclear program. U.S. officials have sporadically floated the idea of direct talks with North Korea if it maintained restraint.

An intercontinental ballistic missile test is considered particularly provocative. It would signal further progress by Pyongyang in developing a weapon of mass destruction that could strike the U.S. mainland, which President



People at the Seoul Railway Station in Seoul, South Korea, watch a TV screen showing an image of North Korean leader Kim Jong Un delivering a statement on Sept. 22 in Pyongyang, North Korea, in response to U.S. President Donald Trump's speech to the United Nations. [ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE PHOTO]

Donald Trump has vowed to prevent — using military force if necessary.

In response to the launch, Trump said the United States will "take care of it." He told reporters: "It is a situation that we will handle." He did not elaborate.

White House press secretary Sarah Sanders tweeted that Trump was briefed on the situation "while missile was still in the air."

Manning, the Pentagon spokesman, said the North American Aerospace Defense Command, known as NORAD, "determined the missile launch from North Korea did not pose a threat to North America, our territories or our allies."

U.S. scientist David Wright

said that based on initial reports on the altitude and duration of the test, it appeared to be North Korea's longest-range test yet. If flown on a standard trajectory rather than at a lofted angle, the missile would have a range of more than 8,100 miles, said Wright, a physicist at the Union for Concerned Scientists.

A week ago, the Trump administration declared North Korea a state sponsor of terrorism, further straining ties between governments that are still technically at war. Washington also imposed new sanctions on North Korean shipping firms and Chinese trading companies dealing with the North.

North Korea called the

terror designation a "serious provocation" that justifies its development of nuclear weapons.

Echoing the initial U.S. assessment, Japan's Defense Minister Itsunori Onodera said the missile was likely an intercontinental ballistic missile. He said it was launched on highly lofted trajectory and reached a high point exceeding 2,400 miles — exceeding the height of previous missile tests. He said it flew for about 53 minutes.

"We can assume it was ICBM-class," Onodera said.

Seoul's Joint Chiefs of Staff said the U.S. and South Korean militaries were analyzing the launch data from the missile. It said it traveled a distance of

600 miles and estimated the apogee at 2796 miles.

In response to the North Korean test, it said South Korea conducted a "precision-strike" drill, firing three missiles, including one with a 620-mile range, to accurately hit a target that stood for the North Korean launch site. South Korea's presidential office said it was holding a National Security Council meeting Wednesday morning local time to discuss the launch.

Japanese Prime Minister Shinzo Abe called for an emergency meeting of the U.N. Security Council. He said Japan will not back down against any provocation and would maximize pressure on the North in its strong alliance with the U.S.

"We will not tolerate North Korea's reckless action," he told reporters.

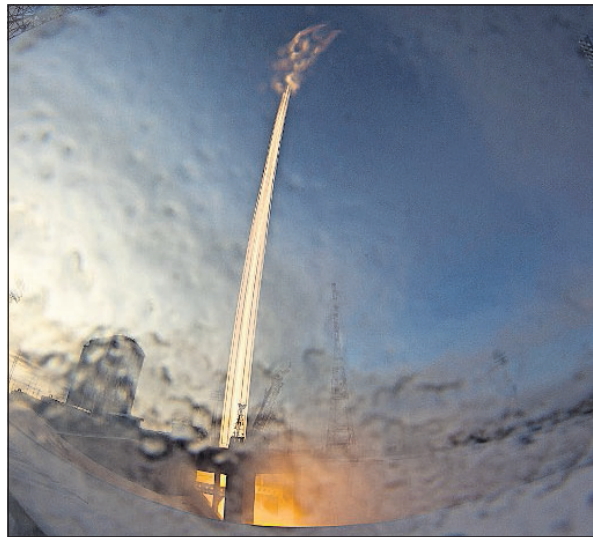
The test is likely to trigger moves by the U.S. and its allies to condemn North Korea's latest test as a violation of Security Council resolutions that prohibit its use of ballistic missile technology and possibly seek more sanctions.

Trump has ramped up economic and diplomatic pressure on the North to prevent its development of a nuclear-tipped missile that could strike the U.S. mainland. Thus far, the pressure has failed to get North Korea's totalitarian government, which views a nuclear arsenal as key to its survival, to return to long-stalled international negotiations on its nuclear program.

U.N. Security Council President Sebastiano Cardinal said he was scheduled to brief the council Wednesday.

DATELINES

VOSTOCHNY LAUNCH PAD, RUSSIA



A Russian Soyuz 2.1b rocket carrying a Meteor M satellite and additional 18 small satellites lifts off Tuesday from the launch pad at the new Vostochny cosmodrome outside the city of Tsiolkovsky, Russia. A Russian weather satellite and nearly 20 micro-satellites from various nations failed to enter their designated orbits Tuesday following the launch from Russia's new cosmodrome, another blow to the nation's space program. [DMITRI LOVETSKY/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS]

KARANGASEM, INDONESIA



Mount Agung volcano erupts Tuesday in Karangasem, Bali, Indonesia. A volcano with a deadly history continued to erupt Tuesday on Bali, one of the world's most popular resort islands, spitting ash 2 1/2 miles high and stranding tens of thousands of tourists for a second day. Lava was welling in its crater, but it remained unclear how bad the eruption might get or how long it could last. [FIRDIA LISNAWATI/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS]

NEW YORK



Kadian Noble speaks Tuesday during a news conference as her attorney Jeff Herman looks on in New York. An aspiring actress who met Harvey Weinstein by chance in 2014 detailed in tears Tuesday how she said the media mogul made her stand in front of a mirror in his hotel room in Cannes, France, while he stood behind her, groping her and forcing her to perform a sex act after pretending to be interested in her career. [SETH WENIG/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS]

LONDON Irish deputy PM quits to avert snap election as Brexit looms

Ireland's deputy prime minister resigned Tuesday to avert a parliamentary vote that would have collapsed the government and triggered a snap election at a crunch time for Brexit negotiations.

Frances Fitzgerald quit hours before lawmakers had been due to vote on a no-confidence motion targeting her, filed by opposition party Fianna Fail.

She said she was stepping down "to avoid an unwelcome and potentially destabilizing general election at this historically critical time."

Fianna Fail wanted Fitzgerald ousted over her involvement in a long-running police scandal.

LONDON UN: About 11 percent of drugs in poor countries are fake

About 11 percent of medicines in developing countries are counterfeit and likely responsible for the deaths of tens of thousands of children from diseases like malaria and pneumonia every year, the World Health Organization said Tuesday.

It's the first attempt by the U.N. health agency to assess the problem. Experts reviewed 100 studies involving more than 48,000 medicines.

Drugs for treating malaria and bacterial infections accounted for nearly 65 percent of fake medicines.

WHO's director-general said the problem mostly affects poor countries.

ALBANY, N.Y. Remains of pilot shot down in WWII coming home for burial

The Pentagon says the remains of an American pilot shot down in Europe during World War II are being returned to his New York family for burial 73 years after he died.

U.S. military officials said Tuesday that Army Air Forces 1st Lt. Robert Mains, of Rochester, was the 27-year-old pilot of a B-24 Liberator taking part in a raid over Germany in April 1945.

His plane was shot down by enemy fighters near the German town of Ludwigslust.

In 1997, a Pentagon team found aircraft wreckage. Other teams returned in recent years and found bone tissue that was identified as Mains' using DNA samples provided by his family.

MIAMI Psychiatric help, then prison for Jewish center bomb plotter

A Florida man will be hospitalized in federal custody for psychiatric treatment and likely serve 25 years in prison for plotting to bomb a synagogue and Jewish school center during Passover last year, a judge ruled Tuesday.

James Medina, 41, pleaded guilty this year to a religious hate crime and attempting to use a weapon of mass destruction, which was actually a fake bomb provided by an FBI informant.

He could have received life in prison, but prosecutors and Medina's attorney worked out an agreement that was accepted by U.S. District Judge Robert Scola.

TRAVERSE CITY, MICH. Agency says US, Canada fall short on protecting Great Lakes

Despite recent improvements, the U.S. and Canada have a long way to go toward ridding the Great Lakes of pollution that endangers human health and the environment, an advisory agency said Tuesday.

Inadequately treated sewage, industrial chemicals and farm runoff are still flowing into the five lakes that provide drinking water for about 40 million people, the International Joint Commission said in its first checkup report since both nations last updated the Great Lakes Water Quality Agreement in 2012.

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Top Dems pull out of meeting

After Twitter attack, whether or not a government shutdown will be avoided is to be determined

By Andrew Taylor
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Congress' top Democrats abruptly pulled out of a planned meeting with President Donald Trump on Tuesday after he declared he didn't "see a deal" ahead with them on taxes and federal spending, casting doubt on prospects for averting a government shutdown at the end of next week.

On Twitter just hours before the scheduled meeting at the White House, Trump also accused Senate Minority

Leader Charles Schumer of New York and House Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi of California of being soft on crime, taxes and illegal immigration.

Schumer and Pelosi rebuffed Trump's invitation and asked instead for immediate talks at the Capitol with top Republican leaders in Congress.

"Given that the president doesn't see a deal between Democrats and the White House, we believe the best path forward is to continue negotiating with our Republican counterparts in Congress instead," Schumer and Pelosi said in a statement. "Rather than going to the White House for a show meeting that won't result in an agreement, we've asked Leader McConnell and

Speaker Ryan to meet this afternoon."

That invitation was swiftly rejected by Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell of Kentucky and House Speaker Paul Ryan of Wisconsin.

Meanwhile, Trump on Tuesday made his third visit to the Capitol in little more than a month, trying to make the sale to Senate Republicans on his signature tax bill. In a boost for the measure, the Senate Budget Committee advanced the bill to the full Senate on a 12-11 vote.

Trump met at the White House with Ryan and McConnell, where he was upbeat about the prospects for the tax bill.

"We're in very good position," he said.

The president and



President Donald Trump speaks Tuesday in the Roosevelt Room of the White House in Washington during a meeting with Republican congressional leaders.

[SUSAN WALSH/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS]

Republican leaders criticized the absent Democrats, with Trump vowing to "absolutely blame the Democrats" if there's a government shutdown, even though Republicans

control the White House and Congress.

On a shutdown, Trump said, "If it happens it's going to be over illegals pouring into the country, crime pouring into the

country, no border wall, which everyone wants."

Two empty chairs were on either side of the president, with the names of Schumer and Pelosi.

Congress faces a Dec. 8 deadline to pass stop-gap legislation to keep the government open and faces a slew of other unfinished legislation, including hurricane aid and funding for children's health.

It was hoped the White House meeting might lay a foundation to keep the government running and set a path for a year-end spending package to give both the Pentagon and domestic agencies relief from a budget freeze. A host of delicate issues, including treatment of immigrants brought illegally to the U.S. as children, were on the table.

AIRPORT

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more than 100,000 passengers traveling through (the airport) each month from May through August," said airport executive director Parker McClellan. "We are thrilled to announced the return of non-stop and direct flight service to popular destinations and enhanced flight schedules to meet the demand we've come to expect from our local passengers and tourists throughout the summer months."

Non-stop flights travel to a destination in one trip, while direct flights make one or more stops but

don't require passengers to deplane.

The 2018 summer schedule begins June 6 and runs through Aug. 6 and will showcase 15 flights on Saturdays, nine flights on Sunday and seven weekday flights.

Last summer, Southwest Airlines offered direct flights only to Denver, but this year's schedule includes a new non-stop service to Denver and direct service from Denver here.

Also included in the new schedule is a direct Southwest flight to Las Vegas and a non-stop Southwest flight to Phoenix.

Dan Rowe, executive director of the Bay Tourist Development Council, said he is pleased with the new

schedule, and the TDC's marketing strategy will continue to focus on cities that have direct and non-stop service from here.

"Adding Denver to the mix, we will most likely do the same thing we've done in all those other markets," Rowe said. "When a new market comes online, we really focus a lot on our PR initiative and digital initiative. We're excited every time we've added a new city. The airport is continuing to grow and thrive."

McClellan said the new flights and summer schedule will be part of an upcoming marketing campaign.

"We're going to work with the local TDC and regional TDCs and with the airlines to promote

Panama City Beach and Gulf County and South Walton as a destination," McClellan said.

Philip "Griff" Griffiths, chairman of the TDC, said adding non-stop flights to large destinations can help bring in more visitors.

"We know where our market share is — kind of that funnel in Atlanta and everything funnels to us," Griffiths said. "So anything we can get farther to the west — whether it's the Austin flights or the Denver flights — I just think that adds to increasing our market share."

In the new schedule, some flights have been eliminated from last year, including a non-stop flight from Atlanta, but the non-stop flights to Atlanta remain.

Summer 2018 flights

The following flights will be offered in Northwest Florida Beaches International Airport's summer 2018 schedule:

Outbound non-stop flights:

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NOT REAL NEWS

A look at what didn't happen this week

The Associated Press

A roundup of some of the most popular, but completely untrue, headlines of the week. None of these stories are legit, even though they were shared widely on social media. The Associated Press checked these out; here are the real facts:

NOT REAL: Second Roy Moore Accuser Works For Michelle Obama Right NOW

THE FACTS: The woman named as an accuser of Republican U.S. Senate candidate Roy Moore in a story by the Last Line of Defense doesn't work for Michelle Obama. In fact, it's unclear that she's a real person. The article claims a woman named Fiona Dourif told MSNBC's Rachel Maddow last week that she was groped by Moore in 1957. No one by that name appeared on Maddow's show. An actress with the same name called out the story on Twitter, saying she has nothing to do with Moore. The story is linked to a photo of former Alabama U.S. Attorney Joyce Vance. An Obama family representative told the AP the claim that the woman worked as a housekeeper for the Obamas is false.

NOT REAL: Trump Abruptly Shuts Down Dogs for Wounded Warriors Program, Leaving Vets High and Dry on Veterans Day!

THE FACTS: Officials

at Walter Reed National Medical Center in Bethesda, Maryland, did issue a stop work order to an animal therapy group contracted with the hospital, but it came on Oct. 27, more than two weeks before Veterans Day. The order to the Warrior Canine Project came from hospital officials, not the White House. Hospital spokeswoman Sandy Dean says it's looking to restructure its animal therapy contracts to improve patient care. She adds that therapy dogs continue to be available for patients at Walter Reed.

NOT REAL: British Intelligence Seizes Clinton Foundation Warehouse, \$400 Million In Cash

THE FACTS: Several websites have posted a story claiming the Clinton Foundation was leasing a British warehouse owned by a man on the UK's terrorist watch list, quoting an unnamed assistant to Chelsea Clinton stating that the facility was "rented through an agency." Foundation spokesman Brian Cookstra told the AP the story is "totally false." He added: "We don't rent a warehouse in the UK, the quote from 'Chelsea Clinton's assistant' is made up, and nothing in this story seems to be based in reality." A photo included with the story is a picture from Britain's The Sun newspaper that shows unrelated police activity in Kent, England.

NOT REAL: English actor Ian McKellen dies at age 78

THE FACTS: McKellen is alive and actively working despite a story from a website appearing to mimic Britain's Daily Mail reporting he died after a lengthy hospitalization for pneumonia. The story first published last year has recirculated in recent days. McKellen has starred in several projects on stage and screen this year alone, including the British sitcom "Vicious." The show's Twitter account posted a photo of McKellen and co-star Derek Jacobi Saturday with the note: "In case you were wondering, we're still alive."

NOT REAL: Iceland Mandates Mental Health Warnings On All Bibles

THE FACTS: No warnings are required to be put on Bibles sold in the island nation. A widely shared hoax story from the website Patheos offers a clue to the joke by naming the prime minister of the country as Andrew Canard. Canard is a seldom used word that means a fabricated report. The actual prime minister of Iceland is Bjarni Benediktsson.

This is part of The Associated Press' ongoing effort to fact-check misinformation that is shared widely online, including work with Facebook to identify and reduce the circulation of false stories on the platform.

TYNDALL

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ceiling of 50,000 feet.

It can be armed with AGM-114 Hellfire missiles, GBU-12 Paveway II, and GBU-38 Joint Direct Attack Munitions.

Arias said the base is looking forward to serving with the MQ-9 airmen.

"We expect airmen will begin arriving to Tyndall as early as 2020. The first aircraft are expected to arrive at the new location in 2022," Arias said. "This will be a process. ... It'll be a few years until we meet those airmen."

Tyndall had been a front runner — along with nearby Eglin Air Force Base, Shaw Air Force Base in South Carolina and Vandenberg Air Force Base in California — to house the squadron, which is expected to include 24 of the aircraft.

"We selected Tyndall Air Force Base because it was the best location to meet the unique requirements of the MQ-9 Reaper" because of fewer aircraft competing for air space, nearby training ranges, great weather and lower up-front costs, Secretary of the Air Force Heather Wilson stated in a press release from Tyndall.

The selection also helps diversify opportunities for MQ-9 personnel by sending them to different bases, the release stated.

Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. David L. Goldfein said co-locating the wing with NORTHCOM's Air Operations Center and 1st Air Force, also housed at Tyndall, "will bring increased capability ... in addition to increasing lethality and giving our other combatant commanders the best trained operators possible."

"Remotely Piloted Aircraft and the

intelligence capabilities supporting them remain vital to our national security and the security of our allies," Goldfein said.

Dunn said the new wing is "huge" for Bay County and thanked Tom Neubauer, Glen McDonald and others with the Bay Defense Alliance, along with other military and civilian leaders.

Florida Sen. Bill Nelson, a senior member of the Senate Armed Services Committee, said the decision is "a big win not only for Panama City, but for the entire state of Florida."

The Air Force now must complete a legally required environmental analysis to "examine the potential impacts of bringing the Reaper to Tyndall" before making a final basing decision.

It is unknown when the analysis will begin, although Arias said it is a "lengthy process" that could take up to two years.

MQ-9 reaper fact sheet

The U.S. Air Force proposed the MQ-9 Reaper system in response to the Department of Defense directive to support initiatives of overseas contingency operations. It is larger and more powerful than the MQ-1 Predator, and is designed to execute time-sensitive targets with persistence and precision, and destroy or disable those targets.

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The "9" indicates it is the ninth in the series of remotely piloted aircraft systems.

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Trump gets blowback for 'Pocahontas' jab at Navajo event

By Felicia Fonseca and Laurie Kellman
The Associated Press

FLAGSTAFF, Ariz. — Families of Native American war veterans and politicians of both major parties are criticizing President Donald Trump for using a White House event honoring Navajo Code Talkers to take a political jab at a Democratic senator he has nicknamed "Pocahontas."

The Republican president on Monday turned to a nickname he often deployed for Massachusetts Sen. Elizabeth Warren during the 2016 presidential campaign to mock her claims about being part Native American. He told the three Navajo Code Talkers on stage that he had affection for them that he doesn't have for her.

"It was uncalled for," said Marty Thompson, whose great-uncle was a Navajo Code Talker. "He can say what he wants when he's out doing his presidential business among his people, but when it comes to honoring veterans or any kind of people, he needs to grow up and quit saying things like that."

"Our nation owes a debt of gratitude to the Navajo Code Talkers, whose bravery, skill & tenacity helped secure our decisive victory over tyranny & oppression during WWII," Arizona Republican Sen. John

McCain, a decorated veteran of the Vietnam War, tweeted Tuesday. "Politicizing these genuine American heroes is an insult to their sacrifice."

Warren said Trump's repeated references to her as "Pocahontas" will not keep her from speaking out.

"Now he seems to think that that's somehow going to shut me up, maybe keep me from talking about the consumer agency today," Warren said Tuesday

after a protest outside the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau. "Or keep me from talking about the tax bill that would favor giant corporations instead of working families."

"He's wrong. It's not going to make any difference," Warren said.

All he "had to do was make it through the ceremony," she said. "But that wasn't possible for Donald Trump. He had to throw in a racial slur."

White House

spokeswoman Sarah Huckabee Sanders, asked Monday about criticism of Trump's remarks, said a racial slur "was certainly not the president's intent."

Trump made the comment as he stood near a portrait of President Andrew Jackson, which he hung in the Oval Office in January. Trump admires Jackson's populism. But Jackson is an unpopular figure in Indian Country because he oversaw the forced

removal of American Indians from their southern homelands.

The Navajo Nation suggested Trump's remark was an example of "cultural insensitivity," and they resolved to stay out of the "ongoing feud between the senator and President Trump."

"All tribal nations still battle insensitive references to our people. The prejudice that Native American people face is an unfortunate historical legacy," Navajo Nation

President Russell Begaye said in a statement.

Still, Begaye and relatives of Navajo Code Talkers said they're honored the story of the men recruited from the vast Southwest reservation to become Marines could be told on a national stage.

Peter MacDonald, a former Navajo chairman and trained Code Talker, who stood beside Trump, also took the opportunity to ask for support for a Navajo Code Talker museum. Trump obliged.



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Jay-Z leads Grammy noms with 8 as rap, R&B take center stage

By Mesfin Fekadu
The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Jay-Z is the leader of the 2018 Grammy Award nominations in a year where the top four categories are heavily dominated by rap and R&B artists, giving the often overlooked genres a strong chance of winning big.

The Recording Academy announced Tuesday that Jay-Z is nominated for eight honors, including album, song, and record of the year. Bruno Mars is also nominated for the big three, while Kendrick Lamar — who earned seven nominations — and Childish Gambino are also up for major awards.

Jay-Z's personal and revealing album, "4:44," is nominated for album of the year alongside Mars' 90s-inspired R&B adventure "24K Magic," Lamar's hard-hitting rap masterpiece "DAMN.," Gambino's funk-soul project "Awaken My Love!" and Lorde's critically acclaimed pop album, "Melodrama."

Record of the year nominees include Jay-Z's "The Story of O.J.," a song about blackness and managing money that also references O.J. Simpson; Mars' Top 5 hit, "24K Magic"; Lamar's No. 1 smash, "Humble"; Gambino's "Redbone," which peaked at No. 12 on the Hot 100; and the year's biggest hit, "Despacito," by Luis Fonsi, Daddy Yankee and Justin Bieber.

"Despacito" is also nominated for song of the year — a songwriter's award — along with Mars' No. 1 hit, "That's What I Like"; the title track from Jay-Z's "4:44"; rapper Logic's suicide prevention anthem, "1-800-273-8255"; and "Issues" by Julia Michaels, the singer who has written hits for Bieber, Selena Gomez



Jay-Z performs at the Austin City Limits Music Festival on Oct. 13 in Austin, Texas. The rapper was nominated for eight Grammy nominations on Tuesday. The 60th Annual Grammy Awards will air on CBS on Sunday, Jan. 28, 2018 in New York.

[AMY HARRIS/INVISION/ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE PHOTO]

and other pop stars.

Michaels is also nominated for best new artist, where R&B and rap rule again: Her competition includes singers SZA, Khalid and Alessia Cara, as well as rapper Lil Uzi Vert.

No rock or country acts were nominated in the top four categories. The rap- and R&B-heavy nominations, which include numerous black and Latino artists, come after the Grammys were criticized earlier this year when some felt Beyonce's multi-genre "Lemonade" album should have won album of the year over Adele's "25." Adele also expressed that Beyonce should have received the prize.

The win for Adele, though, marked another year when the Grammys awarded its biggest prizes to an artist outside of the rap or R&B genre. Kanye West, Eminem, Mariah Carey and others have also lost in the top categories over the years to pop, rock and country acts despite owning the year in music, critically and commercially.

"We have a current membership that is savvy and certainly timely, is current, and reflective of what music is about

today and in the future. And clearly the diversification work that we've done for our membership is evident in all of the nominations this year," Neil Portnow, the academy's president and CEO, said in an interview. "I think it's a testimony to our hard work and intention of having a very vibrant, current, relevant, diverse voting membership."

Jay-Z or Lamar could make history next year when the Grammys take place in New York City on Jan. 28, 2018: Either album could become only the third rap-based album to win album of the year; and either song could become the first in the rap genre to win record or song of the year.

"4:44," which includes songs about Jay-Z's relationship with Beyonce and family life, marks the rap icon's first nomination for album of the year as a lead artist; it is Lamar's third in the top category.

Lamar will compete with Jay-Z in all seven categories he is nominated in, including best rap album, best rap song, best rap performance, best rap sung performance and best music video.

Syrian opposition, UN open talks in Geneva, await government

The Associated Press

GENEVA — The eighth round of Syria peace talks got under way on Tuesday with a revamped and expanded opposition team meeting with the U.N. envoy in Geneva, but President Bashar Assad's government was conspicuously absent and Russia bemoaned back-channel diplomacy among key world powers.

The government in Damascus said its team would show up today.

The meeting marks the latest and perhaps most-promising attempt by U.N. Syria envoy Staffan de Mistura to jolt new life into the so-far largely ineffective U.N.-mediated talks. The Syrian civil war, now in its seventh year, has left more than 400,000 dead, driven at least 11 million people from their homes, and turned into a proxy war for regional and world powers.

Speaking after he briefed key envoys from the five U.N. Security Council member countries behind closed doors, de Mistura confirmed to The Associated Press that the Syrian government had agreed to come today — after Damascus had reportedly delayed its initial participation.

The pro-government newspaper Al-Watan on Monday reported that Damascus would postpone its arrival, citing the opposition's position that Assad must leave at the start of any political transition — something that is sought under a key U.N. Security Council resolution underpinning the Geneva talks.

De Mistura justified the discreet "P5" meeting by saying it was needed to keep Britain, China, France, Russia and the United States informed about his agenda and reinforce the U.N.-mediated peace process, which has come under a



UN Special Envoy of the Secretary General for Syria Staffan de Mistura briefs the media after his meeting with Head of the Syrian Negotiation Commission, SNC, during the Intra Syria talks in Geneva, Switzerland, on Tuesday. [SALVATORE DI NOLFI/KEYSTONE]

challenge from a separate, Russian initiative.

"Now we need to go into business," de Mistura said. "We need P5 support because the two delegations obviously listen to members of the P5."

The meeting included Brett McGurk, the U.S. envoy for the battle against the Islamic State group, and French Foreign Ministry political and security affairs director Nicolas de Riviere — among the highest-level Western envoys on hand so far during Geneva talks.

Russia's ambassador in Geneva, Alexey Borodavkin, was less positive about the back-channel briefing. He said Russia appreciated the "opportunity," but "at the same time, we have some doubts about this kind of format, and do not consider it an established one."

Moscow has sought to take the lead in resolving Syria's conflict by organizing parallel talks between the two sides in the Black Sea resort of Sochi. But those efforts have sputtered as Western powers and de Mistura insist Geneva must remain the primary track for any negotiations.

The Syrian government, with pivotal military support from by Russian and

Iranian forces, has made key gains on the ground during the past year.

One of the major questions is whether Assad's envoys finally will sit down face-to-face with the opposition and negotiate.

The unexplained tardiness of Assad's delegation in Geneva appeared to reflect the government's displeasure with the opposition's insistence that Assad must step down at the start of an eventual transitional period in Syria. The opposition says it has no preconditions to the talks, but at the same time says its goal remains to push the longtime leader aside.

As in previous rounds of the U.N.-sponsored talks, discussing Assad's future likely will be the main obstacle to any progress in Geneva. Damascus has refused to negotiate Assad's future with the opposition and says it wants instead to focus on defeating "terrorism" — the government's byword for armed opponents of the Syrian president.

The chief of the opposition's delegation, Nasr Hariri, told reporters Monday that the opposition was "ready to negotiate," and accused the government of stalling.

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Bay County Transportation Planning Organization

Bay Area Transportation/Bay Town Trolley

RE: Federal Fiscal (FFY) Year 2017/2018 Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5307 Grant Application - Program of Projects and Public Hearing

Notice is hereby given that the Bay County Transportation Planning Organization is applying to the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) for a Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula Grant providing capital and operating assistance to the public transportation system operated as Bay Area Transportation/Bay Town Trolley for FFY 2017/2018. Bay Area Transportation provides demand response service throughout Bay County and Bay Town Trolley operates a fixed-route system with deviation in portions of the urbanized area.

Program of Projects

A Program of Projects has been developed in accordance with the FFY 2017/2018 Bay County Transportation Planning Organization's (TPO) Transportation Improvement Program. This Program of Projects includes capital and operating support of the current, coordinated demand response and fixed-route service. The Program Budget for this grant application follows:

Item	Federal	State/Local	Total
Operating Assistance	\$700,000	\$700,000	\$1,400,000
Preventive Maintenance	\$350,000	0	\$350,000
Project Administration	\$375,000	0	\$375,000
Program Support Admin	\$155,000	0	\$155,000
Stop Compliance - ADA	\$100,000	0	\$100,000
Security and Misc. Equipment	\$174,500	0	\$174,500
Bus-Rolling Stock	\$47,200	0	\$47,200
Hardware/Software/Misc.	\$103,300	0	\$103,300
Rehab/Renov-Admin Facility	\$80,000	0	\$80,000
COA	\$175,000	0	\$175,000
Total	\$2,260,000	\$700,000	\$2,960,000

Toll Revenue credits are the match for capital funds. Operating assistance is matched with State and Local funds. No person, families or businesses will be displaced by this project. This proposed project will not have significant environmental impact upon the service area. Individuals who are transportation disadvantaged, including the elderly and the handicapped, are eligible for reduced fares on the deviated, fixed-route system. The Bay County TPO prohibits discrimination against any person in recruitment, examination, appointment, training, promotion, retention or any other personnel action because of political or religious opinions or affiliations or because of race, color, national origin, sex, age, handicap, marital status, or other non-merit factor.

PUBLIC HEARING

A public hearing authorizing grant submittal will take place at the regular meeting of the Bay County Transportation Planning Organization to be held on **December 6, 2017 at 3:30 p.m. CST** in the Commission Chambers at the Bay County Government Center, 840 W. 11th Street, Panama City, FL. Public comments will be taken at that time. If there are no changes to the Program of Projects as a result of the Hearing, the projects herein advertised will become the Final Program of Projects.

The Bay County TPO adheres to the Americans with Disabilities Act and will make reasonable modifications for access to this meeting on request. Requests must be made at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting in order to allow time to provide the requested services. For additional information, comments or requests, please contact Angela Bradley, Bay County Board of County Commissioners, at 850-248-8161 or abradley@baycountypfl.gov.

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Gold	1,294.700	▲ 0.90
Silver	16.811	▼ .198
Platinum	952.80	▲ 2.00
Copper	3.0705	▼ .0620
Oil	57.99	▼ 0.12

MARKET MOVERS

• **Buffalo Wild Wings Inc.:** Up \$9.20 to \$155.60 — The restaurant chain agreed to be acquired by Arby's Restaurant Group for \$157 a share, or \$2.4 billion.

• **Emerson Electric Co.:** Up \$2.27 to \$64.15 — The company withdrew its offer for Rockwell Automation, which rejected several bids from Emerson.

THE DOW 30

COMPANY	CLOSE	CHG
3M	\$235.63	+1.63
Am. Express	\$95.28	+1.81
Apple	\$173.07	-1.02
Boeing	\$267.99	+2.41
Caterpillar	\$138.99	+1.80
Chevron	\$116.45	+0.86
Cisco	\$37.73	+0.86
Coca-Cola	\$45.83	-0.07
DowDuPont	\$71.09	+0.96
Exxon	\$81.67	+0.56
Gen. Electric	\$18.41	+0.29
Goldman Sachs	\$239.41	+4.30
Home Depot	\$176.57	+2.41
Intel	\$44.73	+0.24
IBM	\$152.47	+0.49
J&J	\$140.02	+1.92
JP Morgan	\$101.36	+3.43
McDonald's	\$171.34	+2.38
Merck	\$54.93	+0.38
Microsoft	\$84.88	+1.01
Nike	\$59.58	-0.05
Pfizer	\$35.85	+0.36
Proc. & Gamble	\$89.40	+0.44
Travelers	\$133.01	+2.53
United Tech.	\$117.71	+0.59
Verizon	\$48.82	+1.16
Walmart	\$96.77	+0.15
Walt Disney	\$103.41	+0.62
United Health	\$216.14	+3.74
Visa	\$113.36	+0.98

STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST

COMPANY	CLOSE	CHG
At&T	\$35.42	+0.74
Darden Rests	\$83.06	+2.78
Gen Dynamics	\$204.19	+3.12
Hanger Inc	\$13.40	-0.05
Hancock Hldg	\$50.65	+1.80
Home Bancs	\$23.13	+0.81
Itt Corp	\$53.52	+1.13
The St Joe	\$18.75	-0.30
Kbr Inc	\$18.97	+0.72
L-3 Comms	\$194.77	+1.97
Oceaneering	\$18.91	+0.12
Regions	\$16.00	+0.48
Sallie Mae	\$10.89	+0.40
Southern	\$51.49	-0.07
Suntrust	\$59.44	+2.10
Westrock	\$59.28	+0.59
Ingersoll-Rand	\$86.65	+1.92
Engility Holds	\$28.91	+0.53

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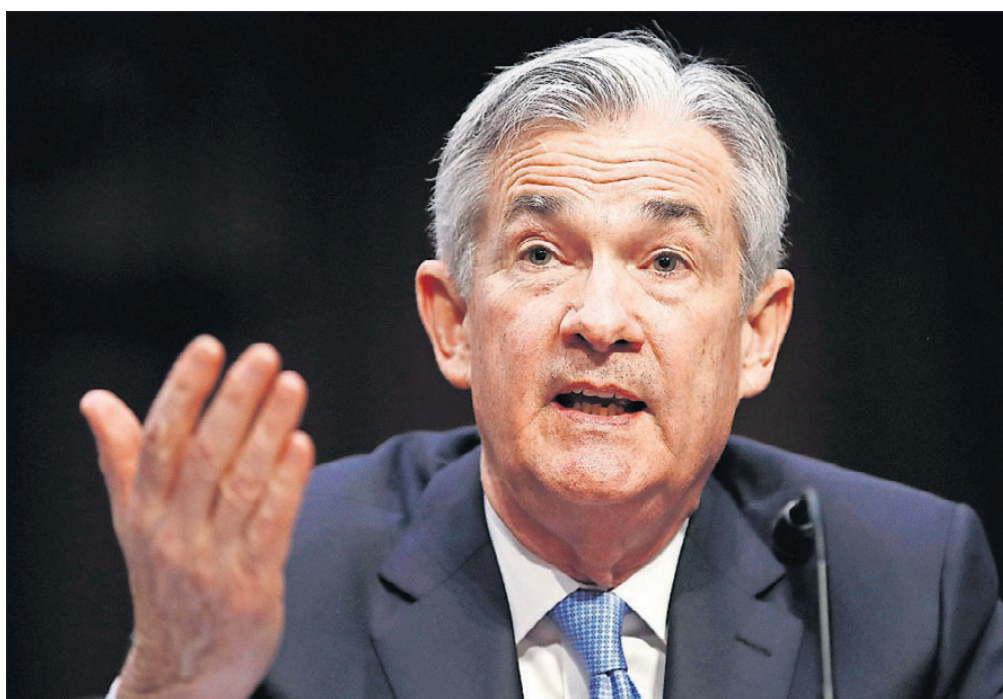
WASHINGTON US consumer confidence rises; highest since 2000

American consumers are feeling confident as the holiday season approaches.

The Conference Board said Tuesday that its consumer confidence index hit 129.5 this month, up from 126.2 in October and highest since November 2000.

The business research group's index measures consumers' assessment of current conditions and their outlook for the next six months. Both improved this month.

The Associated Press



Jerome Powell, President Donald Trump's nominee for chairman of the Federal Reserve, testifies Tuesday during a Senate Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs Committee confirmation hearing on Capitol Hill in Washington. [CAROLYN KASTER/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS]

Powell favors loosening some bank regulations

By Martin Crutsinger
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Jerome Powell, President Donald Trump's pick to be chairman of the Federal Reserve, told senators at his confirmation hearing Tuesday that he believes some bank regulations can be rolled back — something the administration and Wall Street favor. But he stressed that he will protect the central bank's political independence, calling it vital for the Fed's role.

Powell also strongly hinted in his appearance before the Senate Banking Committee that the Fed would hike rates again in December.

Powell said he believed that the Dodd-Frank Act, passed in the wake of the devastating 2008 financial crisis, had succeeded in making the financial system stronger, including ensuring that no major institution now is too big to fail.

But in some areas such as regulation of smaller banks, the law had imposed unnecessary burdens that should be eased, he said.

Powell's comments

pleased many GOP senators, who have complained for years that Dodd-Frank was hurting the economic recovery by making it harder to get bank loans. Democratic senators, however, pressed Powell to say whether he would cut key consumer protections in the 2010 law, a measure that Trump often attacked on the campaign trail as a disaster.

Powell stressed that he was "strongly committed" to the political independence of the Federal Reserve. He said he has not had any conversation with anyone in the administration that concerned him.

During two hours of testimony, Powell sought to convey a sense of stability and praised his predecessors Janet Yellen and Ben Bernanke. He said that the Fed would continue on a gradual path of raising interest rates and shrinking the Fed's massive \$4.5 trillion balance sheet, which grew five-fold in the wake of the Great Recession as the Fed bought government bonds to push long-term interest rates lower.

Powell said he expected

the balance sheet to shrink to around \$2.5 trillion to \$3 trillion over the next three to four years under a program set in motion by Yellen.

On interest rates, Powell said, "I think the case for raising interest rates at our next meeting is coming together."

When pressed for specifics on a December rate hike, Powell deferred, citing Fed policy not to talk about possible outcomes before officials gathered and heard all views.

Trump tapped Powell on Nov. 2 to succeed Yellen, the first woman to head the nation's central bank and the first Fed leader in four decades not to be offered a second term as chair. Yellen's term ends on Feb. 3. She said last week she will leave the Fed once Powell is confirmed by the Senate.

Private economists said there were no surprises in Powell's testimony. He sought to bolster the reputation he built in his five years as a Fed board member as a centrist in pursuit of the Fed's dual goals of promoting maximum employment and stable prices.

Banks push gains for stocks, more record highs

By Alex Veiga
The Associated Press

Banks led a broad rally in U.S. stocks Tuesday, lifting the market to a milestone-shattering finish.

Gains by industrial stocks, retailers and health care companies also helped drive the major stock indexes to record highs.

Investors were encouraged by news that a Senate committee cleared the way for a tax reform bill to go before the full Senate. Financial stocks also got a boost from Federal Reserve chair nominee Jerome Powell, who told another Senate committee that the Fed would consider easing up on bank regulations.

Encouraging economic data and the latest batch of company earnings and deal news also helped drive the rally, which gave the Standard & Poor's 500 index its best day since Sept. 11.

"When you're in a market where you're at new highs with the averages, in theory, nobody has losses," said Mark Chaikin, founder of Chaikin Analytics. "Given seasonal patterns, I expect that we'll see the market strong into year-end."

The S&P 500 index rose 25.62 points, or 1 percent, to 2,627.04. The Dow Jones industrial average gained 255.93 points, or 1.1 percent, to 23,836.71. The Nasdaq composite added 33.84 points, or 0.5 percent, to 6,912.36. The Russell 2000 index of smaller-company stocks picked up 23.12 points, or 1.5 percent, to 1,536.43.

Gainers outnumbered decliners more than 2 to 1 on the New York Stock Exchange.

Early on, investors had their eye on Washington, where the Senate Budget Committee weighed the chamber's version of a sweeping tax bill. The committee voted 12-11 to pass the Republican tax plan late Tuesday afternoon. The sweeping measure, which would lower corporate tax rates, now advances to the full Senate. GOP leaders hope to have the Senate take it up later this week.

ARBOR OUTLOOK

Harry Caray, Brad Pitt and undervalued investments



Margaret McDowell

"Hello again, everybody. It's a bee-you-tee-ful day for baseball!"

Beloved Chicago Cubs broadcaster Harry Caray

A few weeks ago I attended an investment conference in my hometown of Chicago. Two of the featured speakers were bestselling author Michael Lewis and Chicago Cubs President of Baseball Operations Theo Epstein. That both were speakers at the same conference is ironic.

Lewis' "Moneyball" tells the story of how the Oakland A's competed with deep-pocketed, "big market" teams by relying more heavily on data than the naked eye to evaluate

players. And, most importantly, buying the contracts of those players for less than their true worth.

While I have not read "Moneyball," I did enjoy the movie starring Brad Pitt and Jonah Hill. At the end of the movie, A's General Manager Billy Beane (played by Pitt) declines an offer to take over the Boston Red Sox as the highest paid GM ever in baseball.

Instead, the Sox hired a relatively unknown 28-year-old wunderkind named Theo Epstein. Epstein, employing many of Oakland's and Beane's tactics, helped the Red Sox win the World Series and break the "Curse of the Bambino." More recently, he built the Chicago Cubs team that won the World Series a year ago and ended another curse and title drought. (Go Cubs!)

While Lewis and Epstein drew many parallels between baseball and investing, one in particular struck a chord: the best investments often are ones

most people overlook. Lewis said he decided to write "Moneyball" after he walked through the A's locker room and saw guys that "just didn't look like baseball players." They weren't Greek gods, but they knew how to get on base and score runs, which Billy Beane had learned was the most important factor in winning games.

Investments, like baseball players, get overlooked for all kinds of reasons, and as a result, some might be vastly undervalued. Folks might similarly undervalue a company or in baseball, a catcher whom they view as over the hill, even if he's still incredibly productive. On the flip side, an exciting startup might have all the promise of a young budding prospect, but might never figure out how to get the job done and therefore would be overvalued. In short, the investing parallel is to sell the glamour players and buy the ugly ducklings who know how to win.

Companies that produce

boring products rather than exciting ones tend to be systematically undervalued. Similarly, companies that have smaller shareholder bases often are less highly valued than companies with millions of shareholders. A company that was spun off from a parent or a business coming out of a restructuring might appear to be riskier than they really are. And therefore be undervalued by the market.

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A helping hand to Puerto Rico

Bay County residents ducked and dodged and emerged relatively unscathed from a hurricane season that lashed out wildly at our unluckier counties to the east and south.

Schools closed for a couple of days, there was some rain and unnecessary supplies purchased, but we remember Opal and know it could've been worse.

As in Puerto Rico and U.S. Virgin Islands worse.

Those American territories in the Caribbean were devastated by a one-two punch of Hurricanes Irma and Maria less than a month apart. Millions were left without shelter, water, and electricity. The Daytona Beach News-Journal's Seth Robbins and Lola Gomez recently traveled to Puerto Rico, and in a series of stories, photo galleries and videos they chronicled the staggering damage and herculean recovery efforts — particularly the human costs of both extreme weather and extreme poverty.

Fisherman Jose Rivera said he watched the storm winds rip away the tops of palm trees, the fronds resembling helicopter blades spinning across the sky. He recounted the terrifying experience of seeing a wave of chocolate-colored water pour through the crevice between a door of his home and the floor; within 15 minutes, the water had reached his stomach.

Raging waters washed away huge chunks of road, hampering relief efforts to the island's rural areas. Two months after Maria, families are still housed in schools that have been converted into shelters.

One family received FEMA money to rent a new home, but they had no beds to sleep in — their waterlogged mattresses were deteriorating in the wreckage of their house.

Irma "uncovered the country's poverty," said Augusto Lopez Serrano, whose cousin Zenaida Denizac is a former city commissioner and schoolteacher in Deltona. Even before the storm, life for many was a struggle: More than 40 percent of Puerto Ricans live in poverty. After the storm, the majority of relief resources went to the capital of San Juan and other cities while the impoverished rural areas, whose residents had lost what little they had, waited. Getting them food was a challenge, but that proved to be the easy part.

Restoring power to the entire island will take many more months, condemning many Puerto Ricans to a primitive existence for the foreseeable future.

For purely humanitarian reasons, these people deserve aid and compassion. But the United States can and must do more, as Puerto Ricans are Americans by birth. And not only are they U.S. citizens, but many have direct links to the mainland — especially in Central Florida.

Many local organizations and families have organized relief packages to help with the recovery.

The nation must be willing and able to absorb Puerto Ricans fleeing their devastated island for security and a brighter future. Be thankful that our post-hurricane problems were mostly limited to annoying winds and erosion. Be welcoming of our fellow Americans seeking refuge from overwhelming devastation.

ANOTHER VIEW

BY THE COLUMBUS DISPATCH
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"IT WAS A KILLER BLACK FRIDAY DEAL! ... PLUS, WE HADN'T BOUGHT FOR GRANDMA YET."

Why are Republicans in such a rush to pass tax reform? To outrun the truth



Catherine Rampell

There are lots of pressing issues Congress could be focusing on right now.

Lawmakers could work on reauthorizing the Children's Health Insurance Program, which expired Sept. 30, leaving the 9 million kids who depend on it in limbo.

Or maybe they could find a solution for so-called "dreamers," the undocumented immigrants brought here as children, who will lose their protected status soon unless Congress acts.

Instead, Republican senators have a different priority: jamming through their plutocratic, sloppy tax overhaul as quickly as possible. By "as quickly as possible," I mean as soon as this week, which would be a mere month after the first draft of the GOP tax bill was introduced in the House.

Why the haste? Republican lawmakers need to pass this terrible bill before voters — and indeed lawmakers themselves — have a chance to learn what's in it.

"It's an ostrich approach to tax policy," says Steven Rosenthal, a senior fellow at the nonpartisan Tax Policy Center.

Republicans don't want to learn what their own bill

will cost, for instance.

For years, Republicans promised that their tax cuts would pay for themselves, once you accounted for all the economic growth they'd unleash. But now the Senate is racing to vote before those scorekeepers have a chance to evaluate their claim about the bill's cost (or lack thereof, supposedly).

This is surely no accident. Outside groups, including one favorable to the tax overhaul, have already done their own analyses. So far none has found that the bill generates enough growth to pay for itself.

Republican leaders keep claiming the bill focuses on helping the middle class. But voters are already catching on to the fact that the biggest tax cuts go to the wealthiest. Lately the public has learned that the Senate bill will actually raise taxes for households making less than \$75,000 by 2027, relative to current law.

The more time that passes, the angrier these voters will get, and the more pressure they'll presumably place on elected officials to either change or oppose the legislation.

Unfortunately, rushing this bill through means that in addition to all the deliberate goodies and giveaways to the rich, there will be lots of unintended goodies and giveaways.

One apparent hiccup in the bill, for example, offers an even bigger giveaway than Republicans had intended to multinational corporations enjoying

the repatriation tax holiday.

Or consider the so-called "guardrails" intended to prevent workers from self-incorporating and taking advantage of the new preferential rate on pass-through income. Those remain extremely easy to game.

Meanwhile, some pass-through businesses will (oops) face marginal tax rates of 70 percent. Under normal circumstances, a tax rate this high would send Republican policymakers running for the hills.

There are other foreseeable problems, too.

The bill may violate World Trade Organization rules, for example. And the shift to a territorial taxation system would also likely encourage companies to shift more, not less, of their operations abroad.

The interaction of some other provisions would encourage taxpayers to make investments that they know would lose money, as New York University School of Law professor Daniel Shavero has pointed out.

Those are just some of the problems that tax experts have identified so far. Surely more will come out in the weeks and months ahead, as clever accountants and tax attorneys identify new ways to take advantage of slapdash legislative language.

If Republicans were smart, they'd give themselves sufficient time to properly vet and craft this legislation. Apparently, they'd prefer to keep their heads in the sand.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Unsocial behavior on social media

I'm beginning to question the benefit to society of social media.

In my own experience, the various platforms don't seem to bring out the best behavior in people. It's too easy to make taunting, unqualified, "drive by" remarks to people, that are irresponsible.

They call it "social media", but there seems to be too much "socializing" as it is. From embarrassing posts on Facebook, drunken tweets on Twitter, even drunken phone calls ... you name it!

A young sophisticate I knew in New York used to complain that his parents were forcing him to "socialize" with people who knew the family. My father was a quiet man. He used to talk about "paying

his respects", sometimes, when he had to show up somewhere. Loneliness can be painful, for some people, but why would you want to compromise yourself so much just to be with others?

Another friend once questioned the wisdom of using things "just because you have them and they're close at hand".

I can think of more beautiful ways of expression than an ugly comment on social media.

Tom Heil
Panama City Beach

Manson a manipulator

Thank goodness Charles Manson has moved on.

The taxpayers paid for 50 years of jail for of a manipulator.

I believe the average

amount to keep one person in prison is \$50,000 and up. Now if my salary is average \$10,000 a year, I could commit a crime and be cared for by your tax dollars.

Years ago I met the chef of a state prison in Tallahassee. He showed me the menu, there was not only a pre-breakfast snack, eggs, bacon, etc. but a 10 a.m. snack, a big lunch, a 2 p.m. snack, pre-dinner snack and even steak for dinner.

I looked at chef and said we are lucky if we grab a doughnut or bowl of cereal before going out the door for work. Does the public know? No!

So, other than keeping lawyers salaries going, we are really being taxed by individuals that are clever to find a way to be cared for.

C. Shippey
Panama City

SQUALL LINE

Won zero dollars on the lotto. I will reinvest those zero dollars in hope I will win big. If I win you'll be amazed as will I. How do you win without spending any money?

What happens to roadkill? One thing for sure it will not touched by me let alone eaten. I would rather let the other animals in the forest benefit from it.

Eat, drink, put on makeup, comb hair and text before DRIVING for Gods sake! Those people are a menace to society! The punishment is NOT harsh enough that's if some are even stopped!! If it were those people would stop doing it! Enough of these selfish idiots.

Cooler weather is nice after the intense heat of the summer. However, I am not ready to deal with the big freeze. Can't have pipes bursting left and right. Ah, but I could carve an ice sculpture if the water freezes.

Laser Xmas lights in. String lights out. Up and a down the ladder like a fiddlers elbow is far too much for me these days. Might be late to the party on that idea but hey, I am here now.



Eric, 10, jumps in front of his family — Mom Sofia, Dad Dashoan and siblings Necia, Erica, Zavian, Dava, Keyon and Gentry — on a trampoline July 12 at their home in Jackson County. The family will be featured on the "Today" show next week.

[PATTI BLAKE/NEWS HERALD FILE PHOTO]

SHOW

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Crews filmed Monday and Tuesday, and Olds said he expects the segment to air some time next week.

"It's exciting," he said. "It was fun."

Olds said he got the call about the segment two weeks ago, in between classes.

He almost didn't pick up the phone, he said, as the number was out of Miami and he "thought it was someone trying to sell me a cruise."

Instead of a

telemarketer, Olds spoke with producers from "Today," who wanted to come out and film a short segment. But when they found out he was a teacher and coach, they wanted to spend more time in town and film him teaching. At home, Olds said the family sat around, had dinner and did homework, their usual nightly routine, and while some of the smaller children were nervous at first, the older siblings "were just being themselves."

For the Olds family, the national exposure has been "shocking," especially because they were "just doing what we were called to do."

"I think we're just

ordinary people," Olds said. "It's amazing that something we would do anyway would grab their attention."

The siblings, who were officially adopted in September, all have received academic scholarships from Chipola College, Gulf Coast State College and Florida State University Panama City. Olds said he hopes his story will help inspire others to become foster parents, consider adopting, or even volunteer at a children's shelter.

"I hope it motivates more adults to do something," he said. "Not necessarily adopt but do something to change a child's life."

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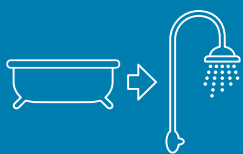
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